

# PATTERN RECOGNITION

## LECTURE 4

### PROXIMITY MEASURES

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# Proximity Measures

- In order to classify patterns they need to be compared against each other and against a standard.
- To determine this similarity/dissimilarity, proximity measures are used.
- The distance between two patterns is used as a proximity measure.
- It is necessary to classify a new pattern.

# Distance Measures

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- A distance measure is used to find the dissimilarity between pattern representations.
- Patterns which are more similar should be closer.
- The distance function could be a metric or a non-metric.

# Properties

□ A metric is a measure for which the following properties hold:

▣ Positive Reflexivity :  $D(X, X) = 0 \forall X$

▣ Symmetry :  $D(X, Y) = D(Y, X) \forall X, Y$  and

▣ Triangular Inequality:

$$D(X, Z) + D(Z, Y) \geq D(X, Y) \forall X, Y, Z$$

where  $D(X, Y)$  gives the distance between  $X$  and  $Y$ .

# Metric Similarity Function

- ❏ Minkowski Metric/  $L_p$  Norm
- ❏ Quadratic Form Distance
- ❏ Edit Distance

# 1. Minkowski Metric/ $L_p$ Norm

- The popularly used distance metric, called the *Minkowski Metric* is of the form :

$$L_p(X, Y) = \left( \sum_{i=1}^d |x_i - y_i|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \text{-----eqn(1)}$$

*where  $p = 1, 2, \dots, \infty$  and  
 $d$  is the dimension*

- This is also called the  $L_p$  norm.
- Depending on the value of  $p$ , we get different distance measures.

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# Manhattan Distance/ $L_1$ Norm

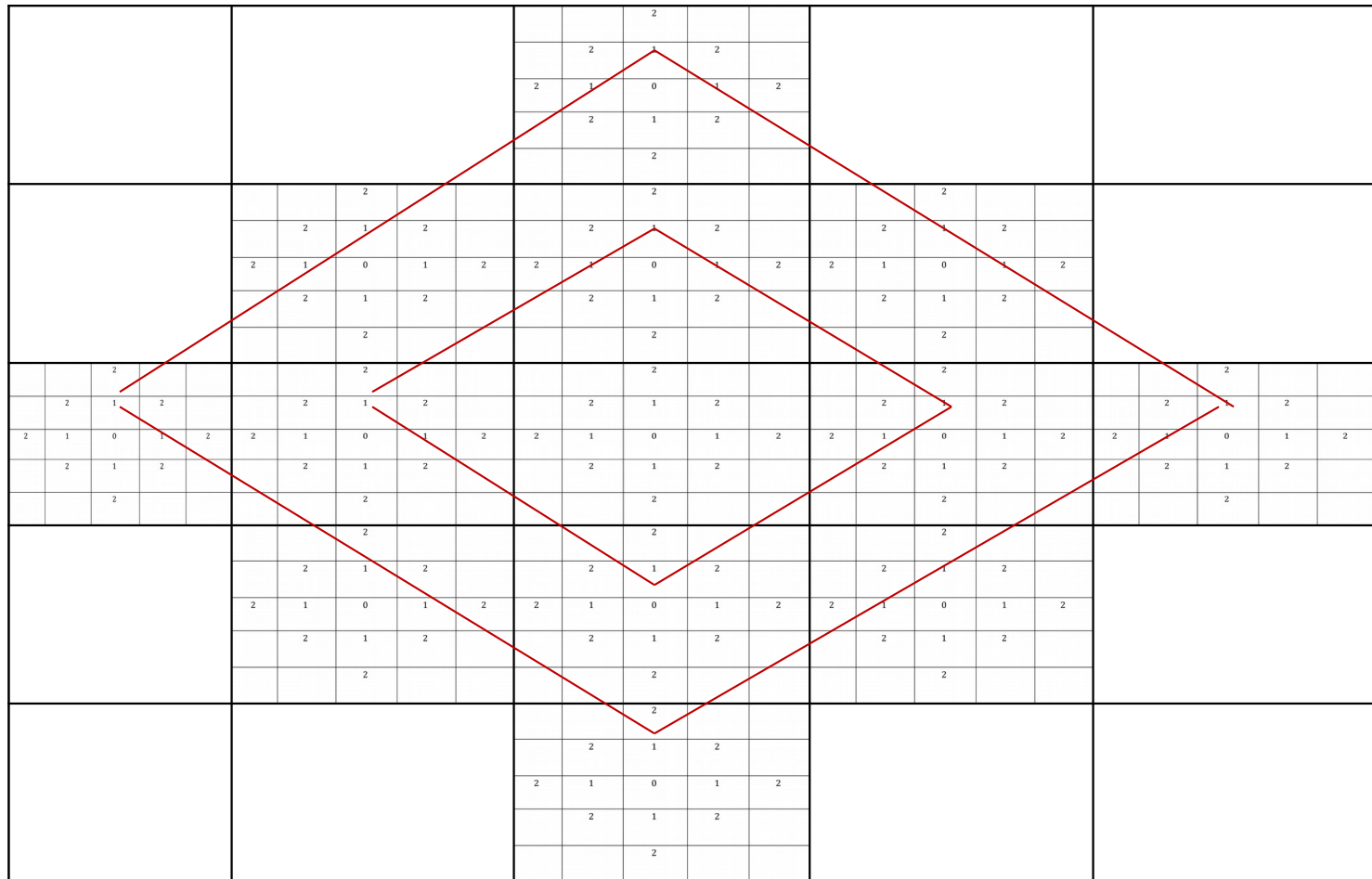
- When  $p = 1$  is substituted in *eqn(1)* we get the *Manhattan* or the *city block distance*.
- This is also called the  $L_1$  norm.
- This can be written as:

$$D(X, Y) = \left( \sum_{i=1}^d |x_i - y_i| \right)$$

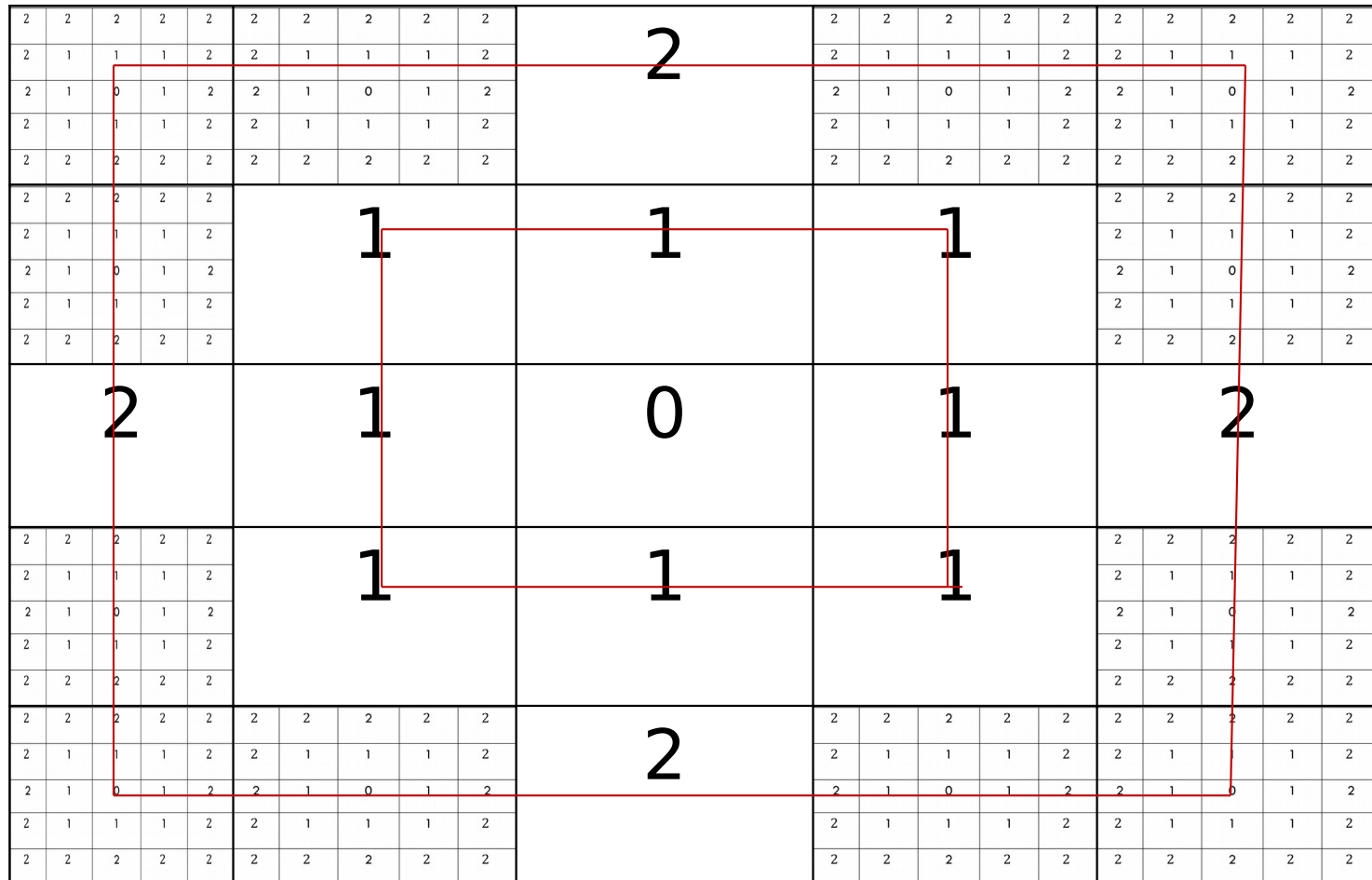


# L1 norm called as City Block

## Distance/ taxi-cab distance: Based on 4-connectivity



# L1 norm called as Chessboard Distance: Based on 8-connectivity

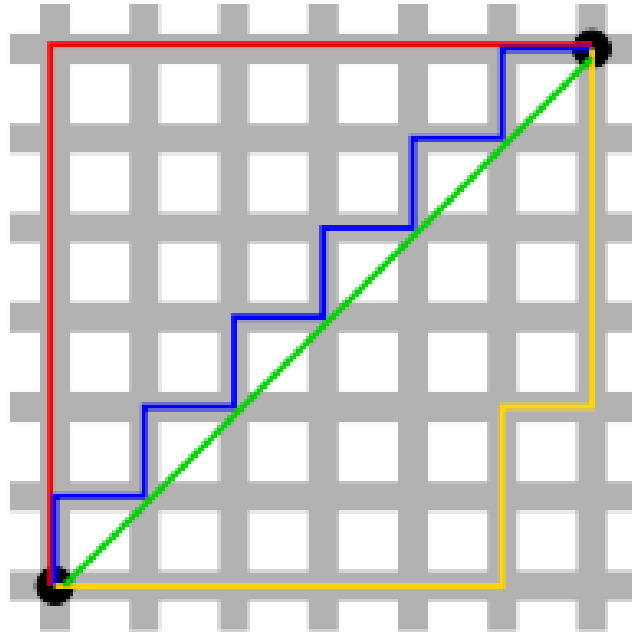


# Euclidean Distance/ $L_2$ Norm

- When  $p = 2$  is substituted in Minkowski metric, we get the *Euclidean distance*.
- This is also called the  $L_2$  norm.

$$D(X, Y) = \left( \sum_{i=1}^d |x_i - y_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

# Taxicab or city block distance vs Euclidean Distance



An illustration comparing the **taxicab metric** to the **Euclidean metric** on the plane: According to the taxicab metric the red, yellow, and blue paths have the same length which is 12. According to the Euclidean metric, the green path has length  $6\sqrt{2} \approx 8.49$ , and is the unique shortest path.

# $L_\infty$ Norm and $L_{-\infty}$ Norm

□ The  $L_\infty$  norm is :

$$D(X, Y) = \max |x_i - y_i|$$

*where  $i = 1, 2, \dots, d$ .*

□ The  $L_{-\infty}$  norm is :

$$D(X, Y) = \min |x_i - y_i|$$

*where  $i = 1, 2, \dots, d$ .*

# $L_p$ norm (contd)

□ Is  $L_p$  norm a metric?

Yes,  $\forall 1 \leq p \leq \infty$

# Histogram distance

- <https://stats.stackexchange.com/questions/7400/how-to-assess-the-similarity-of-two-histograms>
- <https://mpatacchiola.github.io/blog/2016/11/12/the-simplest-classifier-histogram-intersection.html>

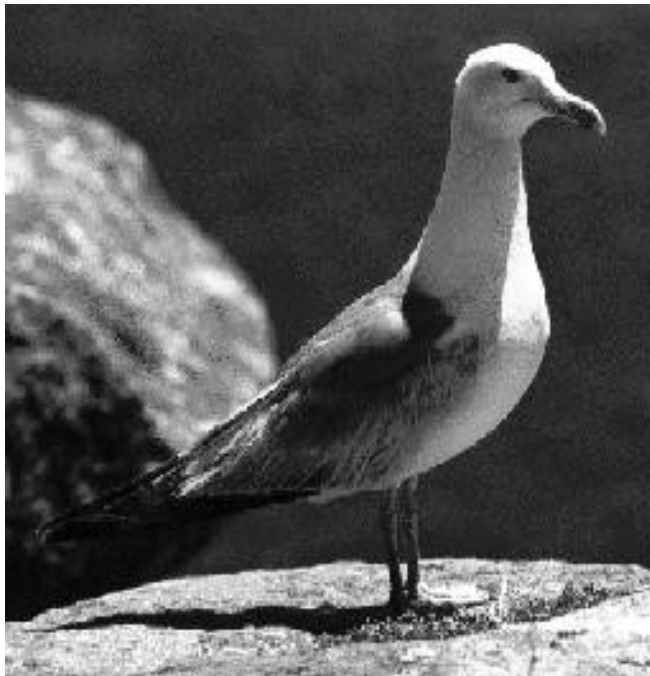
## 2. Quadratic Form Distance

- It allows comparison across different bin locations.
- Quadratic form metrics consider the cross relation of the bins.
- In a naïve implementation, the color histogram quadratic distance is computationally expensive.
- The quadratic form distance between color histograms  $h_q$  and  $h_t$  is given by:

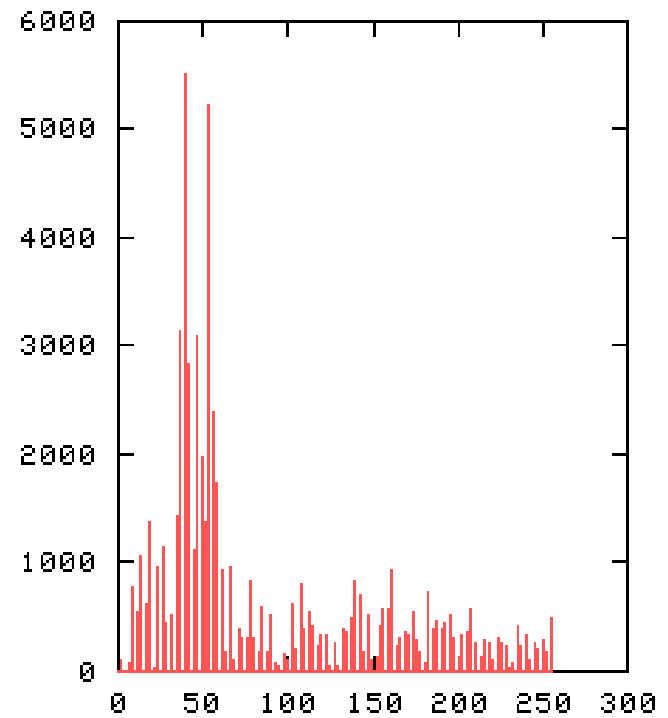
$$D(h_q, h_t) = (h_q - h_t)^T A (h_q - h_t)$$

where  $A$  is the transform matrix.



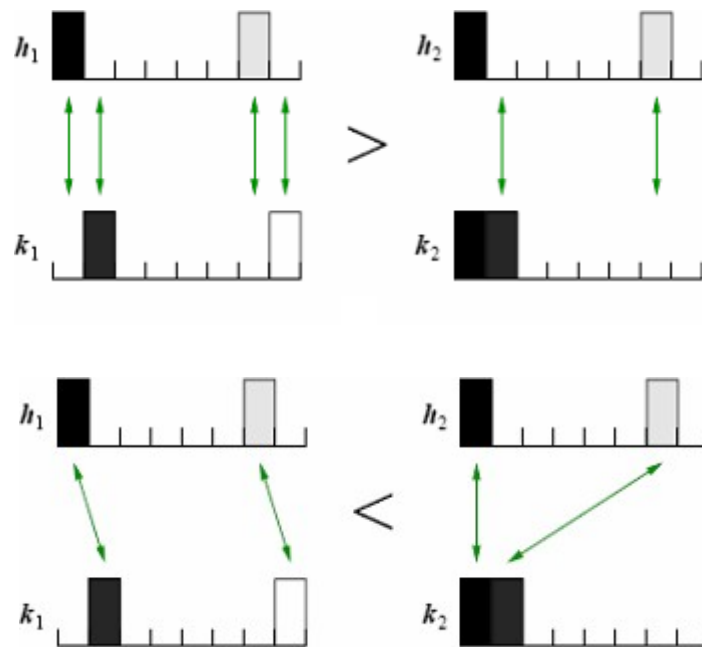


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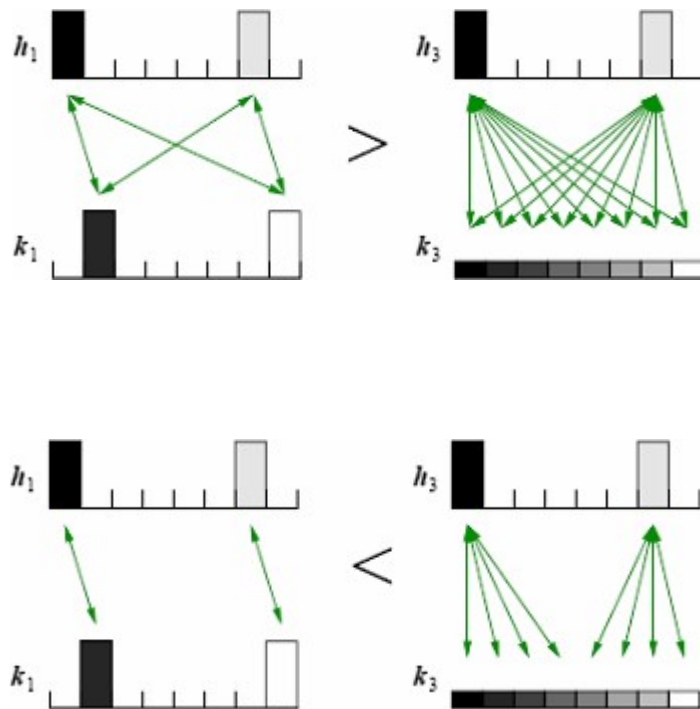


Histogram of the given image

# Bin by bin relation



# Cross bin relation



# Histogram $L_1$ Distance

- If histograms are normalized,

$$D(h_q, h_t) = \sum_{i=1}^d [h_q(i) - h_t(i)]$$

where  $d$  is the dimension

# Cases of Quadratic Form Distance

## □ Squared Euclidean Distance

$$D(h_q, h_t) = (h_q - h_t)^T A (h_q - h_t)$$

where  $A = I$ , Identity matrix

$$D_{L_2}(h_q, h_t) = (h_q - h_t)^T (h_q - h_t)$$

Here, cross bin relations are not considered.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore D_{L_2}(h_q, h_t) &= (h_q - h_t)^2 \\ &= (\sum_{i=1}^d [h_q(i) - h_t(i)])^2 \end{aligned}$$

# Cases of Quadratic Form Distance

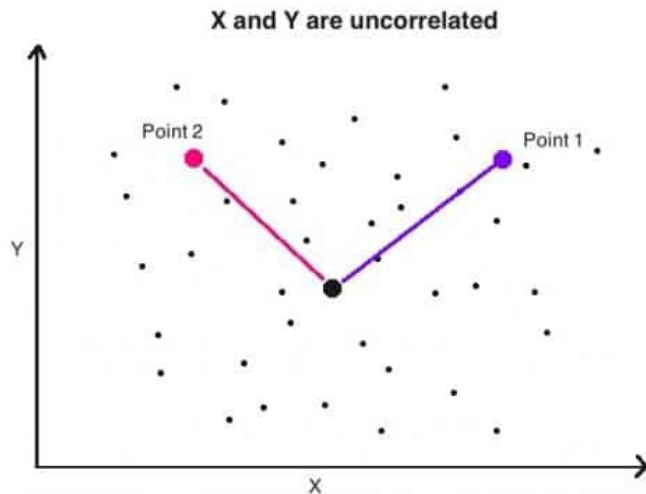
## □ Squared Mahalanobis Distance

- Another special case of the quadratic form metric in which the transform matrix  $A$  is given by the covariance matrix

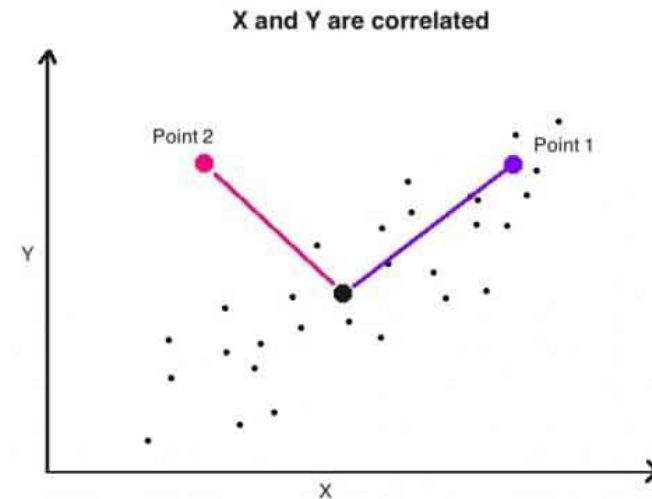
- i.e.  $A = \Sigma^{-1}$

- $$D(h_q, h_t) = (h_q - h_t)^T \Sigma^{-1} (h_q - h_t)$$

# Intuition of Mahalanobis Distance (MD)

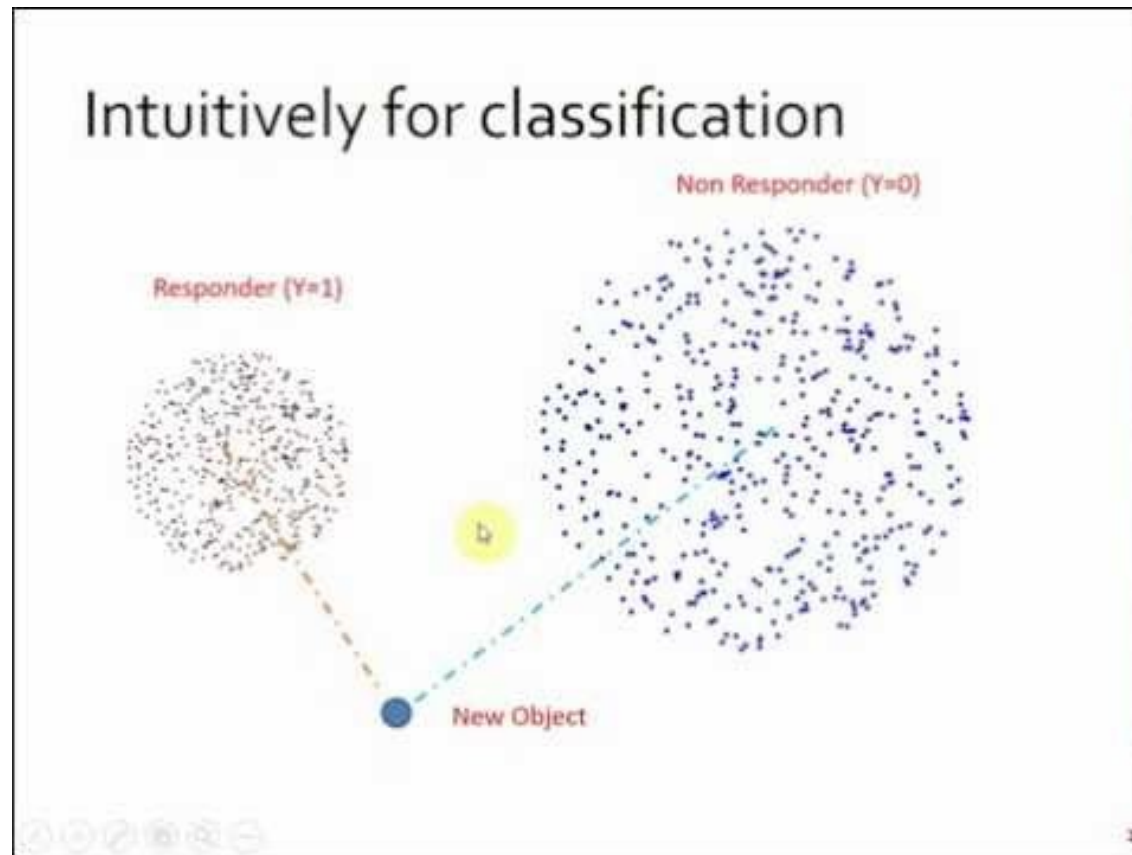


When X and Y are uncorrelated, the Euclidean distance from the Centroid can be useful to infer if a point is member of the distribution. The farther it is, the less likely it is a member.



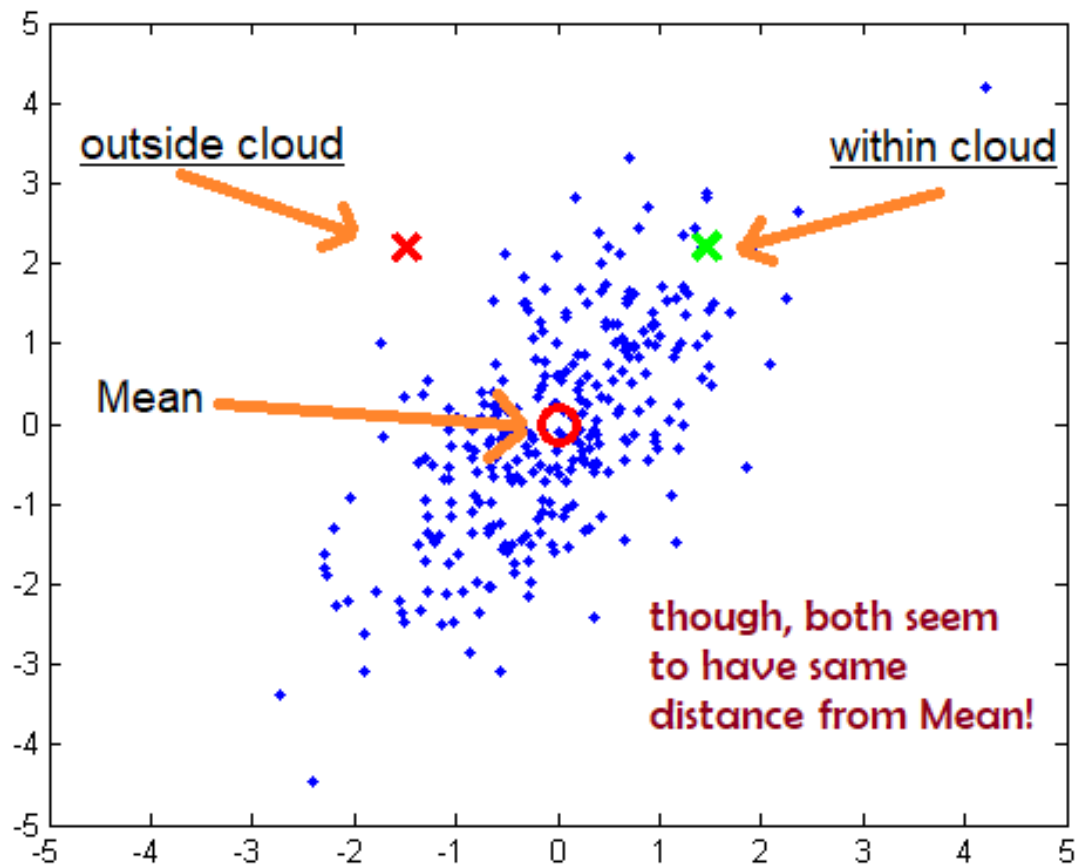
Both Point 1 and Point 2 have the same Euclidean distance from centroid. But only Point 1 is a member of the distribution. To detect Point 2 as outlier,  $\text{dist}(\text{Point 2, centroid})$  should be much higher than  $\text{dist}(\text{Point 1, Centroid})$ , Mahalanobis distance can be used here instead.

# Intuition of MD: Classification





# Intuition of MD: Finding Outliers




# Mahalanobis Distance :

## Example 1

- Suppose you have data for five people, and each person vector has a height, score on some test, and an age.

X		Y	Z
Height		Score	Age
64		580	29
66		570	33
68		590	37
69		660	46
73		600	55
Mean	68	600	40

- The mean of the data is  $(68.0, 600.0, 40.0)$ .
- Now suppose you want to know how far another person,  $v = (66, 640, 44)$ , is from this data.
- It turns out the Mahalanobis Distance is 5.33 (no units).



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- $Z = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & -20 & -11 \\ -2 & -30 & -7 \\ 0 & -10 & -3 \\ 1 & 60 & 6 \\ 5 & 0 & 15 \end{bmatrix}$

- Find the covariance matrix

- $\Sigma = \frac{1}{N-1} Z^T Z$

□

$$\begin{aligned}\Sigma &= \frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} -4 & -2 & 0 & 1 & 5 \\ -20 & -30 & -10 & 60 & 0 \\ -11 & -7 & -3 & 6 & 15 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -4 & -20 & -11 \\ -2 & -30 & -7 \\ 0 & -10 & -3 \\ 1 & 60 & 6 \\ 5 & 0 & 15 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 46 & 200 & 139 \\ 200 & 5000 & 820 \\ 139 & 820 & 440 \end{bmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

$$\square \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 11.50 & 50 & 34.75 \\ 50 & 1250 & 205 \\ 34.75 & 205 & 110 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\square \Sigma^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 3.6885 & 0.0627 & -1.2821 \\ 0.0627 & 0.0022 & -0.0240 \\ -1.2821 & -0.0240 & 0.4588 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\square D(h_q, h_t) = (h_q - h_t)^T A (h_q - h_t) \text{ --- Eqn(1)}$$

$$\square \text{ Here } A = \Sigma^{-1}$$

□ □ *Eqn(1)* becomes

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 40 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3.6885 & 0.0627 & -1.2821 \\ 0.0627 & 0.0022 & -0.0240 \\ -1.2821 & -0.0240 & 0.4588 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 40 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -9.9964 & -0.1325 & 3.4413 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 40 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \sqrt{28.4573}$$

$$= 5.33$$

# Example 2

- Given the histogram of a pure red image

$$h_q = [1, 0, 0]^T$$

and a pure orange image:

$$h_t = [0, 1, 0]^T$$

- The transform matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.9 & 0 \\ 0.9 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

- Find the quadratic form distance and the Euclidean distance between them.



## Quadratic form distance-Example 2

□  $D(h_q, h_t) = (h_q - h_t)^T A (h_q - h_t) \text{ --- Eqn(1)}$

□  $h_q = [1 \ 0 \ 0]^T$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

□  $h_t = [0 \ 1 \ 0]^T$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Quadratic form distance-Example 2

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- $h_q - h_t = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$
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- $(h_q - h_t)^T = [1 \quad -1 \quad 0]$  --- Eqn(2)
- Substituting Eqn (2) and value of  $A$  in Eqn (1),
- $D(h_q, h_t) = [1 \quad -1 \quad 0] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.9 & 0 \\ 0.9 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

## Quadratic form distance-Example 2

$$\begin{aligned} \square D(h_q, h_t) &= [1 \quad -1 \quad 0] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.9 & 0 \\ 0.9 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= [0.1 \quad -0.1 \quad 0] \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= (0.1) + (0.1) + 0 \\ &= 0.2 \end{aligned}$$

# Euclidean Distance- Example 2

$$\begin{aligned}\square D^2(h_q, h_t) &= (h_q - h_t)^2 \\ &= \underline{[1 \quad -1 \quad 0]} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= [1 + 1 + 0] \\ &= 2\end{aligned}$$

$$\square D(h_q, h_t) = \sqrt{2}$$

# 3. Edit Distance

- The popularly used distance metric, called the *Minkowski Metric* is of the form :

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# Example

□		$(i, j + 2)$		
	$(i - 1, j + 1)$	$(i, j + 1)$	$(i + 1, j + 1)$	
$(i - 2, j)$	$(i - 1, j)$	$(i, j)$	$(i + 1, j)$	$(i + 2, j)$
	$(i - 1, j - 1)$	$(i, j - 1)$	$(i + 1, j - 1)$	$(i + 2, j - 1)$
		$(i, j - 2)$		

So, we get the edit distance to be 3.

THANK YOU

