



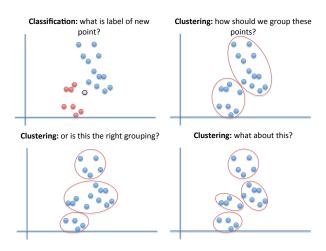
# Unsupervised Continuous Clustering

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#### **Lecture for Today**

- What is clustering?
- K-Means
- Gaussian Mixture Models

## Clustering

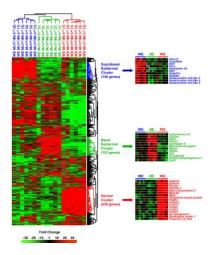


### Clustering

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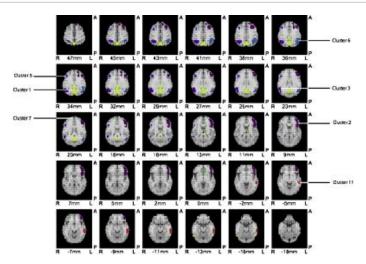
- genomics
- medical imaging
- social network analysis
- recommender systems
- market segmentation
- voter analysis

#### Microarray Gene Expression Data



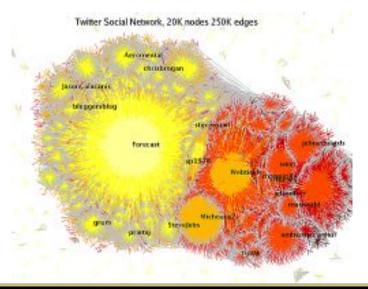
From: "Skin layer-specific transcriptional profiles in normal and recessive yellow (Mc1re/Mc1re) mice" by April and Barsh in *Pigment Cell Research* (2006)

## Medical Imaging (MRIs and PET scans)

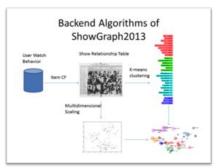


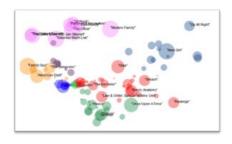
From: "Fluorodeoxyglucose positron emission tomography of mild cognitive impairment with clinical follow-up at 3 years" by Pardo et al. in *Alzheimer's and Dementia* (2010)

#### Social Networks



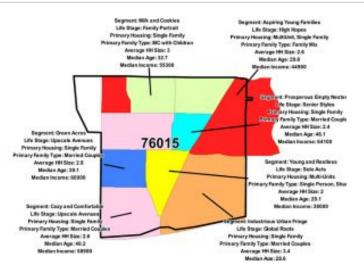
#### **Recommender Systems**





From: tech.hulu.com/blog/

#### **Market Segmentation**



From: mappinganalytics.com/map/segmentation-maps/segmentation-map.html

### **Voter Analysis**













- soccer moms (female, middle aged, married, middle income, white, kids, suburban)
- Nascar dads (male, middle aged, married, middle income, white, kids, Southern, suburban or rural)
- security moms ( ... )
- low information voters
- Ivy League Elites

## Clustering

### Questions:

- how do we fit clusters?
- how many clusters should we use?
- how should we evaluate model fit?

#### K-Means

#### How do we fit the clusters?

- simplest method: K-means
- requires: real-valued data
- idea:
  - pick K initial cluster means
  - $\circ$  associate all points closest to mean k with cluster k
  - use points in cluster k to update mean for that cluster
  - $\circ$  re-associate points closest to new mean for k with cluster k
  - $\circ$  use new points in cluster k to update mean for that cluster
  - o ...
  - stop when no change between updates

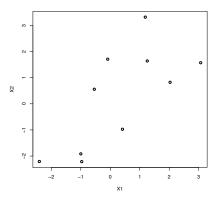
#### K-Means

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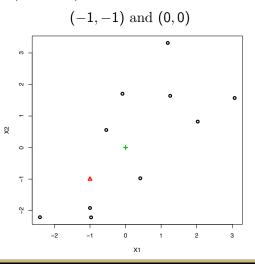
http://shabal.in/visuals/kmeans/1.html

## Data:

$x_1$	<i>x</i> <sub>2</sub>
0.4	-1.0
-1.0	-2.2
-2.4	-2.2
-1.0	-1.9
-0.5	0.6
-0.1	1.7
1.2	3.3
3.1	1.6
1.3	1.6
2.0	0.8



# Pick K centers (randomly):



#### Calculate distance between points and those centers:

<i>x</i> <sub>1</sub>	<i>X</i> <sub>2</sub>	(-1, -1)	(0,0)
0.4	-1.0	1.4	1.1
-1.0	-2.2	1.2	2.4
-2.4	-2.2	1.9	3.3
-1.0	-1.9	0.9	2.2
-0.5	0.6	1.6	0.8
-0.1	1.7	2.9	1.7
1.2	3.3	4.8	3.5
3.1	1.6	4.8	3.4
1.3	1.6	3.5	2.1
2.0	8.0	3.5	2.2

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> centers <- rbind(c(-1,-1),c(0,0))
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<sup>&</sup>gt; dist1 <- apply(x,1,function(x) sqrt(sum((x-centers[1,])^2)))</pre>

<sup>&</sup>gt; dist2 <- apply(x,1,function(x) sqrt(sum((x-centers[2,])^2)))</pre>

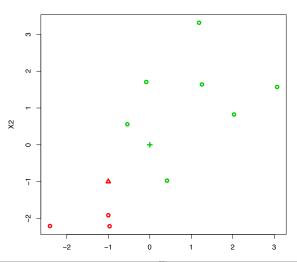
#### Choose mean with smaller distance:

<i>x</i> <sub>1</sub>	<i>x</i> <sub>2</sub>	(-1, -1)	(0,0)
0.4	-1.0	1.4	1.1
-1.0	-2.2	1.2	2.4
-2.4	-2.2	1.9	3.3
-1.0	-1.9	0.9	2.2
-0.5	0.6	1.6	0.8
-0.1	1.7	2.9	1.7
1.2	3.3	4.8	3.5
3.1	1.6	4.8	3.4
1.3	1.6	3.5	2.1
2.0	0.8	3.5	2.2

<sup>&</sup>gt; dists <- cbind(dist1,dist2)</pre>

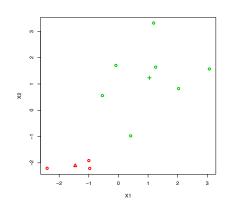
<sup>&</sup>gt; cluster.ind <- apply(dists,1,which.min)</pre>

## New clusters:



#### Refit means for each cluster:

- cluster 1: (-1.0, -2.2), (-2.4, -2.2), (-1.0, -1.9)
- new mean: (-1.5, -2.1)
- cluster 2: (0.4, -1.0),
  (-0.5, 0.6), (-0.1, 1.7),
  (1.2, 3.3), (3.1, 1.6), (1.3, 1.6),
  (2.0, 0.8)
- new mean: (1.0, 1.2)



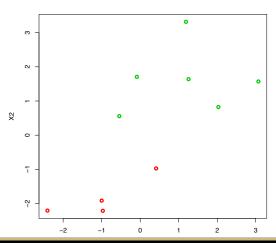
# Recalculate distances for each cluster:

<i>x</i> <sub>1</sub>	<i>x</i> <sub>2</sub>	(-1.5, -2.1)	(1.0, 1.2)
0.4	-1.0	2.2	2.3
-1.0	-2.2	0.5	4.0
-2.4	-2.2	1.0	4.9
-1.0	-1.9	0.5	3.8
-0.5	0.6	2.8	1.7
-0.1	1.7	4.1	1.2
1.2	3.3	6.0	2.1
3.1	1.6	5.8	2.0
1.3	1.6	4.6	0.5
2.0	0.8	4.6	1.1

## Choose mean with smaller distance:

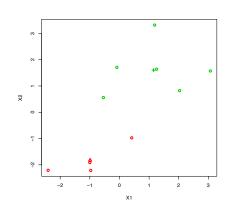
<i>x</i> <sub>1</sub>	<i>x</i> <sub>2</sub>	(-1.5, -2.1)	(1.0, 1.2)
0.4	-1.0	2.2	2.3
-1.0	-2.2	0.5	4.0
-2.4	-2.2	1.0	4.9
-1.0	-1.9	0.5	3.8
-0.5	0.6	2.8	1.7
-0.1	1.7	4.1	1.2
1.2	3.3	6.0	2.1
3.1	1.6	5.8	2.0
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## New clusters:



#### Refit means for each cluster:

- cluster 1: (0.4, -1.0),
  (-1.0, -2.2), (-2.4, -2.2),
  (-1.0, -1.9)
- new mean: (-1.0, -1.8)
- cluster 2: (-0.5, 0.6),
  (-0.1, 1.7), (1.2, 3.3),
  (3.1, 1.6), (1.3, 1.6), (2.0, 0.8)
- new mean: (1.2, 1.6)



# Recalculate distances for each cluster:

<i>x</i> <sub>1</sub>	<i>x</i> <sub>2</sub>	(-1.0, -1.8)	(1.2, 1.6)
0.4	-1.0	1.6	2.7
-1.0	-2.2	0.4	4.4
-2.4	-2.2	1.5	5.2
-1.0	-1.9	0.1	4.1
-0.5	0.6	2.4	2.0
-0.1	1.7	3.6	1.2
1.2	3.3	5.6	1.7
3.1	1.6	5.3	1.9
1.3	1.6	4.1	0.1
2.0	0.8	4.0	1.2

# Select smallest distance and compare these clusters with previous:

Table: New Clusters

<i>X</i> <sub>1</sub>	X2	(-1.0, -1.8)	(1.2, 1.6)
0.4	-1.0	1.6	2.7
-1.0	-2.2	0.4	4.4
-2.4	-2.2	1.5	5.2
-1.0	-1.9	0.1	4.1
-0.5	0.6	2.4	2.0
-0.1	1.7	3.6	1.2
1.2	3.3	5.6	1.7
3.1	1.6	5.3	1.9
1.3	1.6	4.1	0.1
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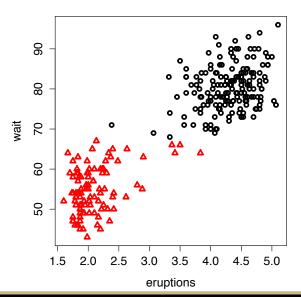
Table: Old Clusters

(-1.5, -2.1)	(1.0, 1.2)
2.2	2.3
0.5	4.0
1.0	4.9
0.5	3.8
2.8	1.7
4.1	1.2
6.0	2.1
5.8	2.0
4.6	0.5
4.6	1.1

#### K-Means in Practice

R has a function for K-means in the stats package; this is probably already loaded

- let's use this for the Old Faithful data
- > library(datasets)
- > faith.2 <- kmeans(faithful,2)</pre>
- > names(faith.2)
- > plot(faithful[,1],faithful[,2],col=faith.2\$cluster,
  - + pch=faith.2\$cluster,1wd=3)



# K-means can be used for *image* segmentation

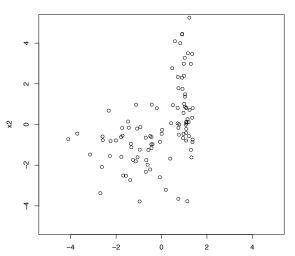
- partition image into multiple segments
- find boundaries of objects
- make art





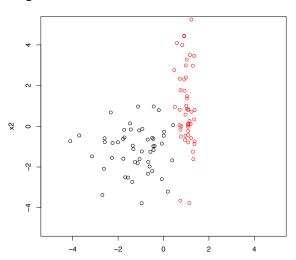
## K-Means Clustering

#### What is our data look like this?



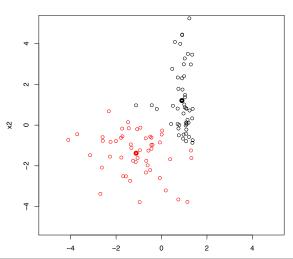
## K-Means Clustering

# True clustering:



## K-Means Clustering

# K-means clustering (K = 2):



#### Mixture Models

K-means associates data with cluster centers.

What if we actually modeled the data?

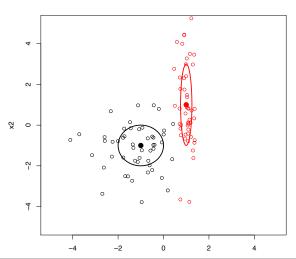
- real-valued data
- observation x<sub>i</sub> in cluster c<sub>i</sub>
- have K clusters
- model each cluster with a Gaussian distribution

$$\mathbf{x}_i \mid c_i = k \sim N(\mu_k, \Sigma_k)$$

•  $\mu_k$  is mean vector,  $\Sigma_k$  is covariance matrix

#### Mixture Models

# Gaussian mixture model (K = 2):



#### Mixture Models

## Why mixture models?

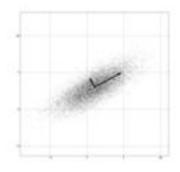
- more flexible: can account for clusters with different shapes
- have data model (will be useful for choosing K)
- less sensitive to data scaling

#### Multivariate Gaussian

Multivariate Gaussian distribution for  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ :

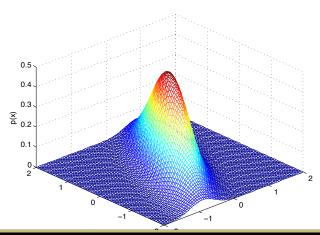
$$p(\mathbf{x} \mid \mu, \Sigma) = (2\pi)^{-\frac{d}{2}} |\Sigma|^{-\frac{1}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \mu)}$$

- ullet  $\mu$  is vector of means
- Σ is covariance matrix

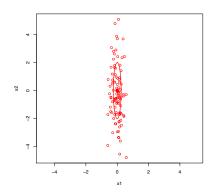


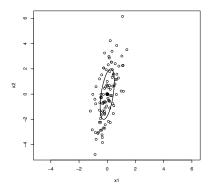
#### Multivariate Gaussian

pdf when 
$$\mu = [0,0]$$
 and  $\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 0.4 \\ 0.4 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix}$ :



#### Multivariate Gaussian





#### Mixture model:

- observation x<sub>i</sub> in cluster c<sub>i</sub> with K clusters
- model each cluster with a Gaussian distribution

$$\mathbf{x}_i \mid c_i = k \sim N(\mu_k, \Sigma_k)$$

How do we find  $c_1, \ldots, c_n$  (clusters) and  $(\mu_1, \Sigma_1), \ldots, (\mu_K, \Sigma_K)$  (cluster centers)?

## First, let's simplify the model:

covariance matrices have only diagonal elements,

$$\Sigma = \left[ egin{array}{cccc} \sigma_1^2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2^2 & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \sigma_K^2 \end{array} 
ight]$$

• set  $\sigma_1^2 = \cdots = \sigma_K^2$ , suppose known

Next, use a method similar to K-means:

- start with random cluster centers
- associate observations to clusters by (log-)likelihood,

$$\ell(\mathbf{x}_{i} \mid c_{i} = k) = -\frac{d}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{1}{2} \log\left(\prod_{j=1}^{d} \sigma_{k,j}^{2}\right) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{d} (x_{i,j} - \mu_{k,j})^{2} / \sigma_{k,j}^{2}$$

$$\propto -d \log(\sigma_{k}) - \frac{1}{2\sigma_{k}^{2}} \sum_{j=1}^{d} (x_{i,j} - \mu_{k,j})^{2}$$

$$\propto -\sum_{j=1}^{d} (x_{i,j} - \mu_{k,j})^{2}$$

• refit centers  $\mu_1, \ldots, \mu_K$  given clusters by

$$\mu_{k,j} = \frac{1}{n_k} \sum_{n=k} x_{i,j}$$

# clustering with K-means minimize distance

$$d(\mathbf{x}_i, \mu_k) = \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^d (x_{i,j} - \mu_{k,j})^2}$$

update means with K-means use average

$$\mu_{k,j} = \frac{1}{n_k} \sum_{c:=k} x_{i,j}$$

# clustering with GMM

maximize likelihood

$$\ell(\mathbf{x}_i \mid c_i = k) \propto -\sum_{j=1}^d (x_{i,j} - \mu_{k,j})^2$$

update means with GMM use average

$$\mu_{k,j} = \frac{1}{n_k} \sum_{c:=k} x_{i,j}$$

OK, now what if

$$\Sigma = \left[ egin{array}{ccccc} \sigma_1^2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \ 0 & \sigma_2^2 & \dots & 0 \ \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 \ 0 & 0 & 0 & \sigma_K^2 \end{array} 
ight]$$

and  $\sigma_1^2, \ldots, \sigma_K^2$  can take different values?

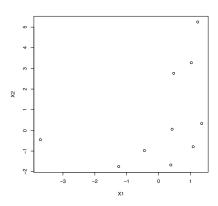
- use same algorithm
- update  $\mu_k$  and  $\sigma_k^2$  with maximum likelihood estimator,

$$\mu_{k,j} = \frac{1}{n_k} \sum_{c_i = k} x_{i,j}$$

$$\sigma_{k,j}^2 = \frac{1}{n_k} \sum_{c_i = k} (x_{i,j} - \mu_{k,j})^2$$

### Data:

<i>x</i> <sub>1</sub>	<i>X</i> <sub>2</sub>	
-3.7	-0.4	
0.4	0.1	
0.4	-1.7	
-0.4	-1.0	
-1.3	-1.7	
1.0	3.3	
1.2	5.2	
1.3	0.3	
1.1	-0.8	
0.5	2.8	



- pick centers and variances,  $\mu_1 = [-1, -1]$ ,  $\sigma_1^2 = [1, 1]$ ,  $\mu_1 = [1, 1]$ ,  $\sigma_1^2 = [1, 1]$
- compute (proportional) log likelihoods,

$$\ell(\mathbf{x}_i \mid c_i = k) = -\sum_{j=1}^d \log(\sigma_j) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^d (x_{i,j} - \mu_{k,j})^2 / \sigma_{k,j}^2$$

<i>x</i> <sub>1</sub>	<i>x</i> <sub>2</sub>	k=1	k=2
-3.7	-0.4	-3.8	-12.1
0.4	0.1	-1.6	-0.6
0.4	-1.7	-1.2	-3.8
-0.4	-1.0	-0.2	-3.0
-1.3	-1.7	-0.3	-6.3
1.0	3.3	-11.2	-2.6
1.2	5.2	-22.0	-9.0
1.3	0.3	-3.6	-0.3
1.1	-0.8	-2.2	-1.6
0.5	2.8	- 8.2	-1.7

fit new means and variances:

$$\mu_1 = [-1.3, -1.2]$$

$$\sigma_1^2 = [3.1, 0.4]$$

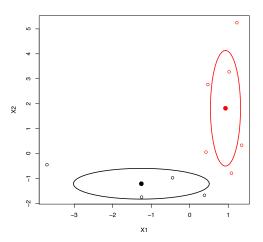
$$\mu_2 = [0.9, 1.8]$$

$$\sigma_2^2 = [0.2, 5.4]$$

compute new distances...

<i>x</i> <sub>1</sub>	<i>x</i> <sub>2</sub>	k = 1	k=2
-3.7	-0.4	-1.8	-70.8
0.4	0.1	-2.7	-1.0
0.4	-1.7	-0.8	-2.0
-0.4	-1.0	-0.3	-6.8
-1.3	-1.7	-0.5	-16.6
1.0	3.3	-27.4	-0.1
1.2	5.2	-55.9	-1.3
1.3	0.3	-4.3	-0.7
1.1	-0.8	-1.2	-0.6
0.5	2.8	-21.3	-0.7

No change, so clusters are final



#### Limitations of *k*-means / mixture models

k-means is fast and simple, but . . .

- What if your data are discrete?
- What if each data point has more than one cluster? (digits vs. documents)
- What if you don't know the number of clusters?