

HUDK 4050: CORE METHODS IN EDM

In the news

Owl Ventures, which funds edtech exclusively, just raised \$185 million for its second fund

engadget



FiveThirtyEight

Google's AlphaGo AI no longer requires human input to master Go

The Media Has A Probability Problem

The media's demand for certainty — and its lack of statistical rigor — is a bad match for our complex world.

Spotting Trends and Delivering Data to Connect Edtech Tools With Educator Needs



Six Things Principals Are Thinking When They Get Pitched Edtech

The NPE Action/NPE 4th Annual Conference will be LIVESTREAMED on our Facebook page



Google Champions Teacher Tech Training with New Program



Degrees of Opportunity: Lessons Learned from State-Level Data on Postsecondary Earnings Outcomes

Yale Boosts Transparency Effort by Releasing More Budget Data



Venture capital swoops into ed tech

SAN FRANCISCO
BUSINESS TIMES

Forbes

Behavioral science is influencing policymaking — and helping parents teach their kids to read

QUARTZ

America's Richest Women 2017

INSIDE THE WEIRD WORLD OF SOCIAL MEDIA MARATHON CHEATING

How much should you be making?



Events

Event	Date	Time	Location	URL
10 Best Ed Tech Products	October 26	12:30pm	CUNY	http://meet.meetup.com/wf/click?upn=pEEcc35imY7Cq0tG1vyTtwOTrZ6JiCkXpTsfoCLqsGHBqclSYUvILs4u4tBYSURJw1UnJzB8AVU5Je9yUIN-2Bep-2F0sFsYJWLhEuyCc8uZ1yC9nTceB2dlErMcITg-2BffN-2F23-2FJQomRXM3KQPuVBZG6uljabeAerbi3NIKytFZ5BFIL7d ddqTDIh9788vR2CMKQGVTH4OdHpAJZeks-2ByTupGldRkE0lkQ6cMuZlPTJ1OIA3L7WRxw2JilQ1LFryFCjXSDEx3RX1 kirTiqApYLHp1STHOcecyWe6eD08HWFq-2BKN72j4jPBV8xq-2F-2BnPuZqQ1nKQhyu7Sf-2F477ITVdmWl-2FJT3-2B3C 7ATN3DDex7HzBeIAGaMOCn-2Fb2Al-2FWM3B 13fs1g-2F466j3y5fD5Q61KtVREvidSz8eOmcqorpVEXY0QPCW1pEIIA twpVzx0Df3vNBhvxM8nwuYBFLv2GR48ECB3EPZLhNY2B-2Fz3U-2F-2FSI8QnbTLpkJiY7ean28dy62oDMJ2xy8ina4XI PT14V4RpnQ8mE1FnRZgl.oZJaR7DcBGvZ706Z6gPQfKYExvk1KBBJlCaIS6sZM353e8WhKXcv-2BBKMrWZ6fl-2BCPc qiaG5g-3D
Intro to Data Science in R	November 1	11:00am	webinar	http://info.rstudio.com/g40jaCS0j203XN0YN000VRa
Privacy Localism: A New Research Agenda	November 3	all day	NYU Law School	http://www.law.nyu.edu/centers/ili/events/privacy-localism
The People's Disruption: Platform Co-Ops for Global Challenges	November 10/11	all day	The New School	https://platform.coop/2017
TC Microsoft Workshop	November 2	7:00pm	Grace Dodge 179	http://bit.ly/2yMGAYC
Bridging Industry and Academia to Tackle Responsible Research and Privacy Practices	November 2/3	all day	Facebook	https://fpf.org/research-privacy-practices/
TCLA Happy Hour	October 25	7:00	Artopolis	https://www.yelp.com/biz/artopolis-new-york

Opportunities



Data Engineering

- For Bachelors, Masters or PhDs (graduating by May 2018) & professional engineers
- Locations: Silicon Valley & NYC
- Details: http://xyz.insightdatascience.com/Insight_Data_Engineering_White_Paper.pdf?_ga=2.25153786.1556838475.1508260690-252934534.1508260690
- Apply: <http://insightdataengineering.com>

Artificial Intelligence

- For Bachelors, Masters or PhDs (graduating by May 2018) & professional engineers
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- Apply: <http://insightdata.ai>

Adaptive Systems



Adaptive

- Originally = assistive
- ~1990s = sequential estimate of aptitude (IRT)
- ~2012 = a system that adapts the educational environment according to students' learning needs
- Distinct from Intelligent Tutors in terms of methods employed

Adaptive Systems

The Netflix logo, consisting of the word "NETFLIX" in a bold, red, sans-serif font, is centered on a light gray rectangular background.The Amazon.com logo, featuring the text "amazon.com" in a black, sans-serif font with a registered trademark symbol, and a curved orange arrow underneath the word "amazon". It is centered on a white rectangular background.The Pandora logo, with the word "PANDORA" in a white, sans-serif font, is centered on a dark blue background with a bokeh effect of light blue and white circles.The last.fm logo, with the text "last.fm" in a red, lowercase, sans-serif font, is centered on a white background.The Hulu logo, with the word "hulu" in a green, lowercase, sans-serif font, is centered on a dark gray rectangular background.The LinkedIn logo, with the word "Linked" in a black, sans-serif font and "in" in white inside a blue square, followed by a registered trademark symbol, is centered on a white background.

Adaptive Engines



adapt
courseware

Recommender Systems

Collaborative filter: build a model from a user's past behavior + similar decisions made by other users



Content filter: utilize a series of discrete characteristics of an item in order to recommend additional items with similar properties



Essential Problem

- Dimensionality Reduction
 - Feature selection: select a subset of dimensions
 - Feature extraction: transform lots of dimensions into fewer dimensions
- Why?
 - As a form of insight
 - Avoid “Curse of Dimensionality”

Curse of Dimensionality

Sparsity: The more dimensions that we add, the more comparisons we are missing

	Stats	Cog Psy
Amy	3	2
Chen	2	2
Asif	1	3

Possible Combinations

3 - 3
3 - 2
3 - 1
2 - 3
2 - 2
2 - 1
1 - 3
1 - 2
1 - 1

Curse of Dimensionality

Sparsity: The more dimensions that we add, the more comparisons we are missing

	Stats	Cog Psy	Socio- logy	Crit Theory	Wood- work	Data Sci	Music	Design
Amy	3	2	1	1	3	2	2	2
Chen	2	2	2	3	1	3	2	3
Asif	1	3	3	7	3	2	1	1

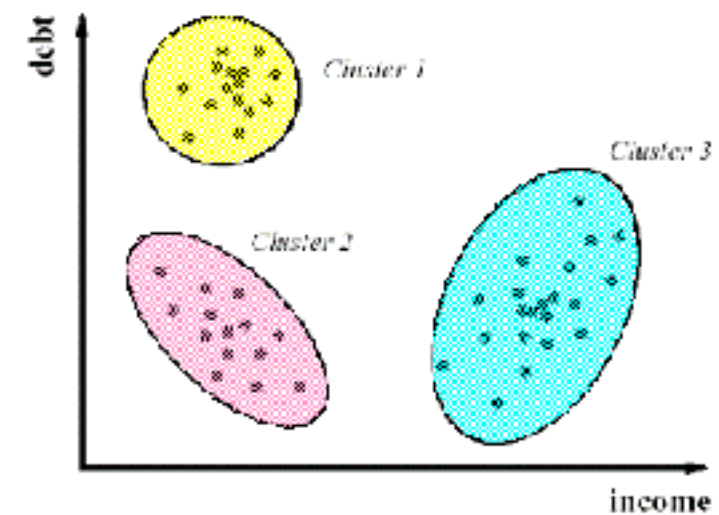
How to reduce dimensions?

Mean, median, mode

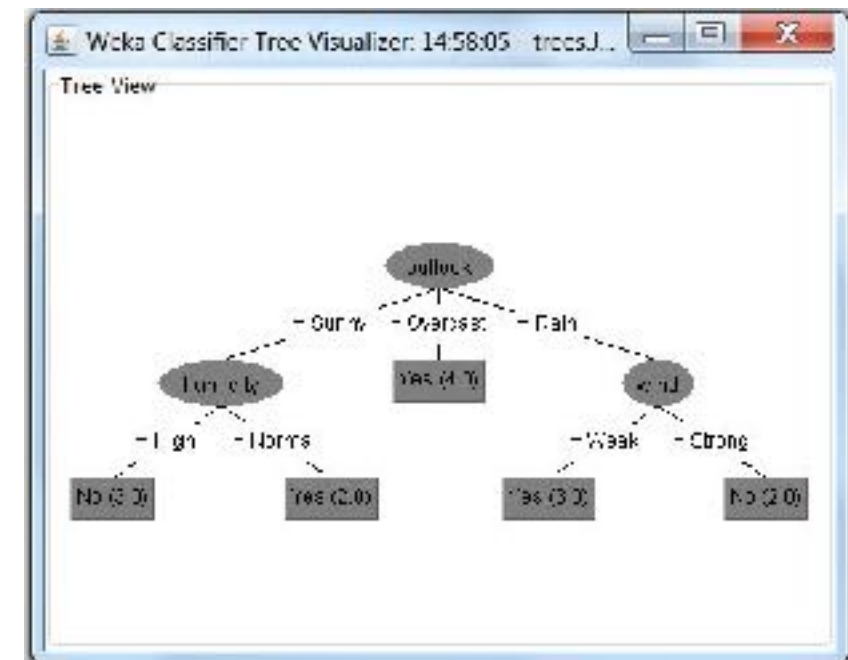
Principle Component
Analysis

Google

Cluster Analysis



Decision Tree



Dimensionality Reduction

Cluster Analysis

Grouping stuff

By Variables

ID	Var1	Var2	Var3
A			
B			
C			
D			

ID	Var2
A	
B	
C	
D	

Selection

ID	Var2+3
A	
B	
C	
D	

Extraction

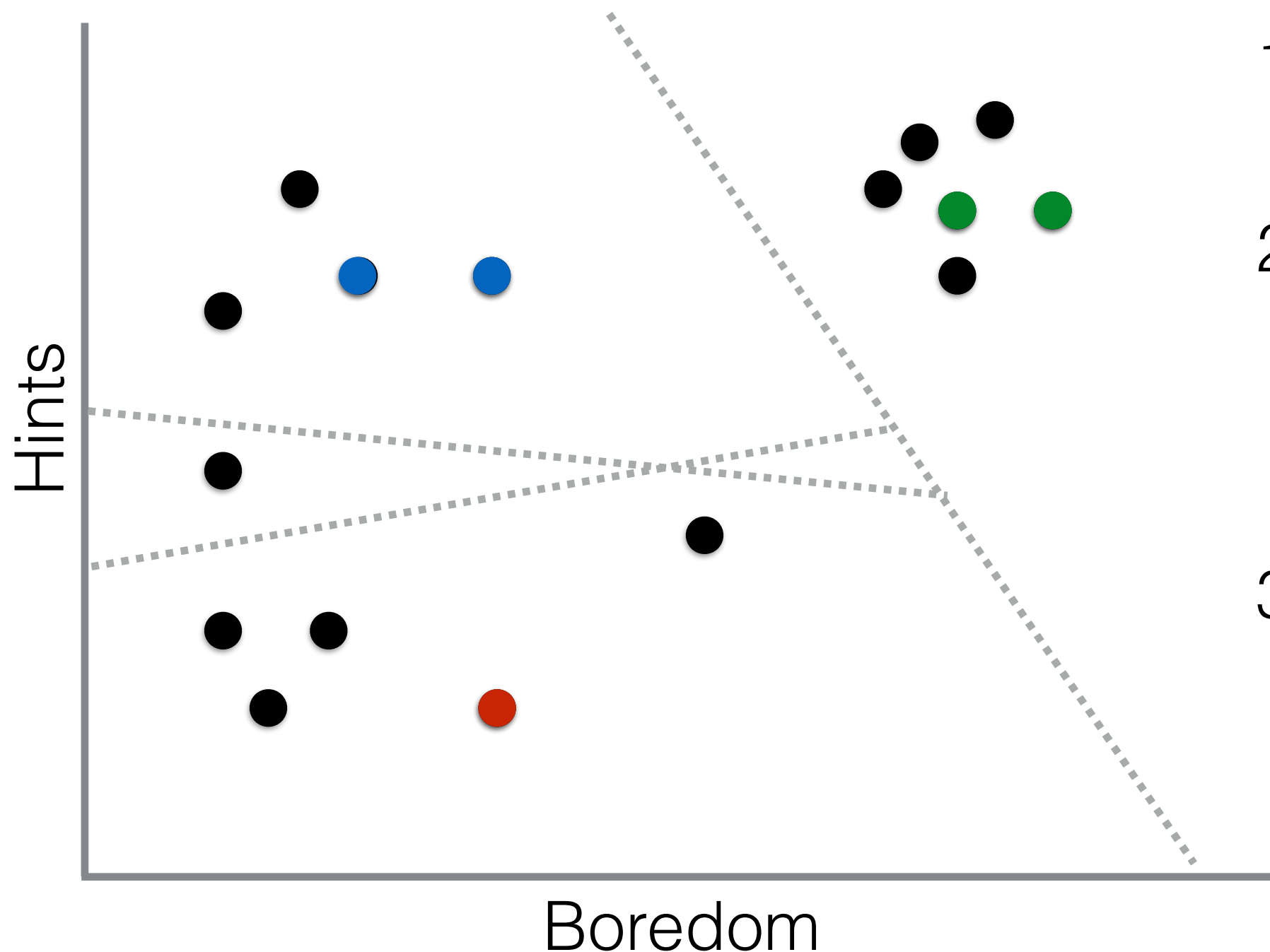
By People



ID	Var1	Var2	Var3
A			
C			

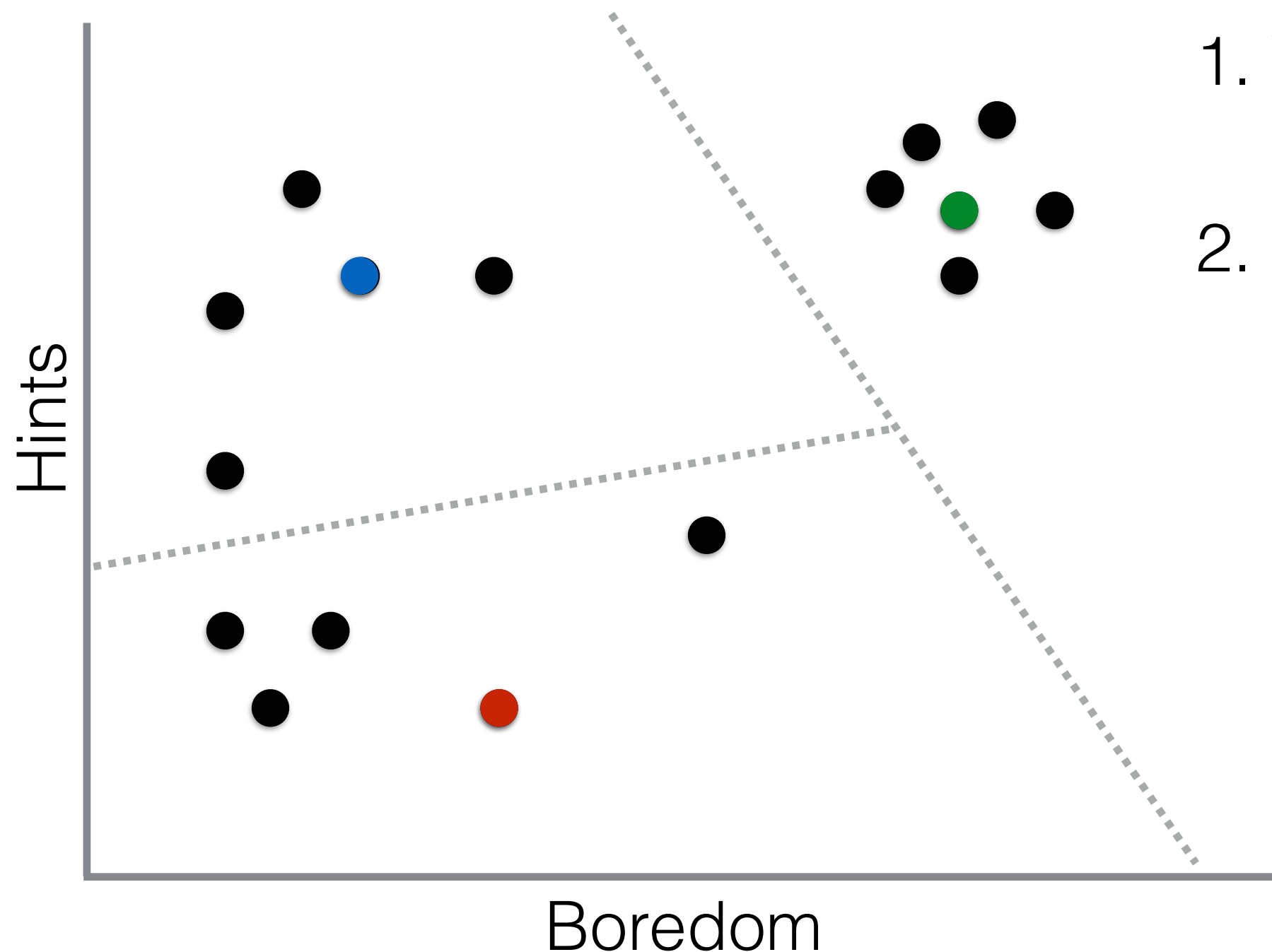
ID	Var1	Var2	Var3
B			
D			

Cluster Analysis: K-means

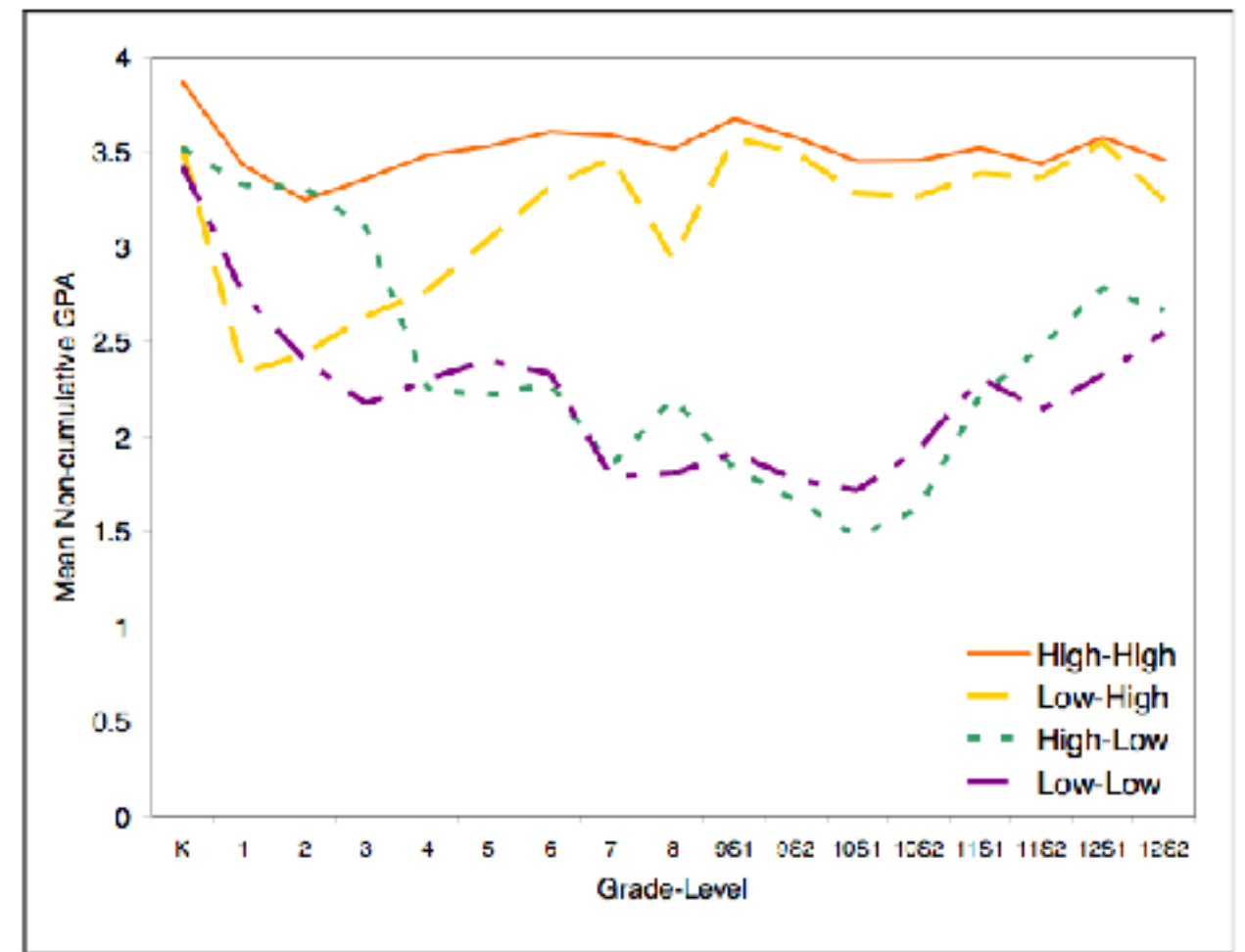
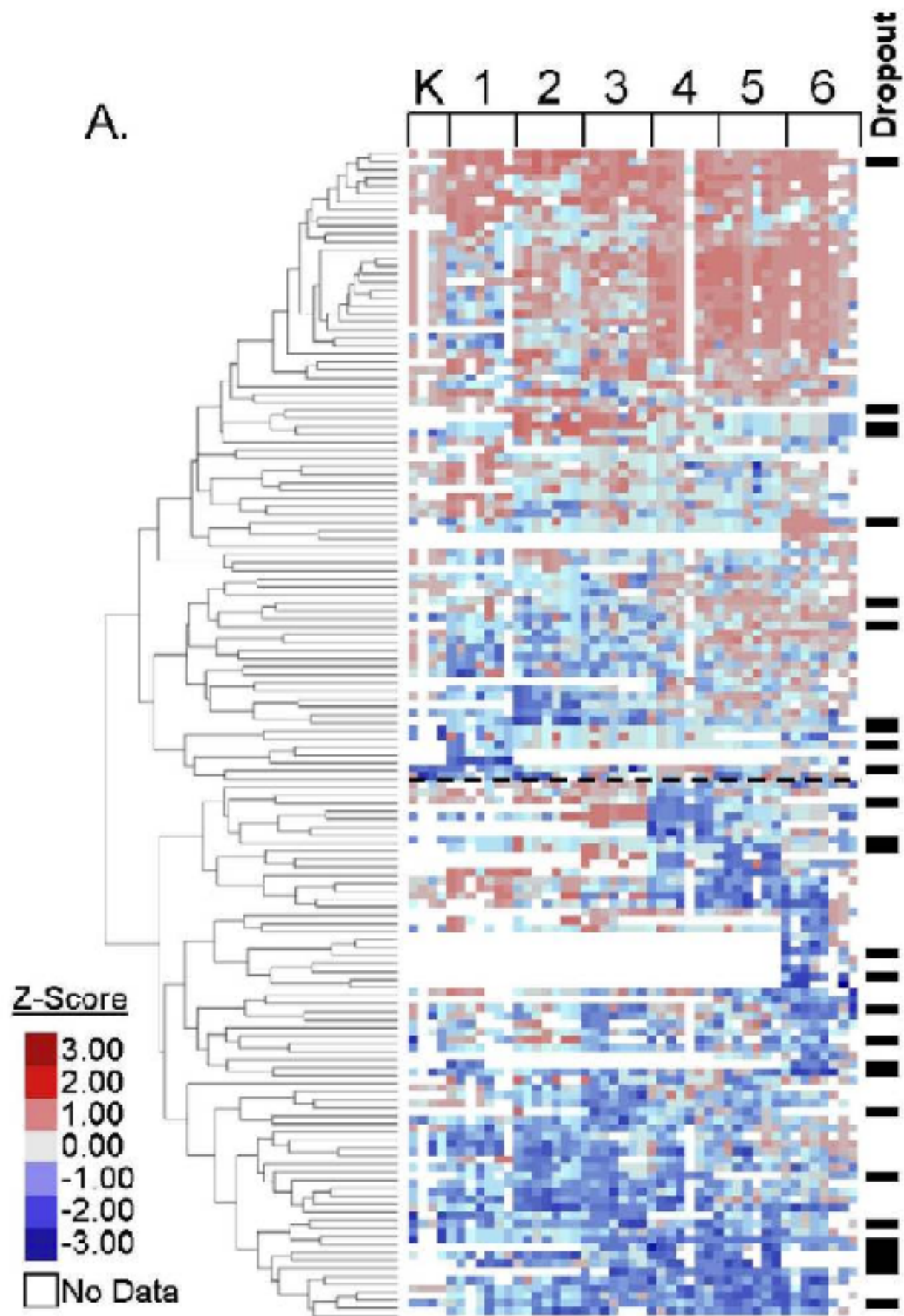


1. Select some random points
2. Associate those points with closest other points
3. Move the selected point to the mean point in the cluster

Cluster Analysis: K-means



1. Very sensitive to starting values
2. Not good at dealing with complex shapes



Bowers (2010)

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Extraction

By People



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Feature Extraction

- Principal Component Analysis
 - Variance
 - Covariance
 - Matrix algebra

Cluster Survey

<http://bit.ly/2y3y8zV>

Process

1. Describe data
2. Choose methodology
3. Make notes on the purpose of the method
4. Make notes on the limitations of the method (gotchas)
5. Research the code
6. Apply the code

Cluster Example