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# Unsupervised Machine Learning

- PCA
- Clustering
- Sequential mining

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## Unsupervised Learning

- Dimensionality Reduction
  - PCA
  - t-SNE (t-distributed Stochastic Neighbor Embedding)
  - Factor analysis
- Clustering
  - k-means
  - Hierarchical
  - Soft clustering (Gaussian mixture)

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## Dimensionality Reduction

- Complexity of model  $\sim$  dimensionality (# of features)
  - Dimensionality vs. sample size
  - Simpler models have lower variance
  - Simpler models are more explainable
- Reducing dimensionality
  - Feature selection
  - Feature extraction

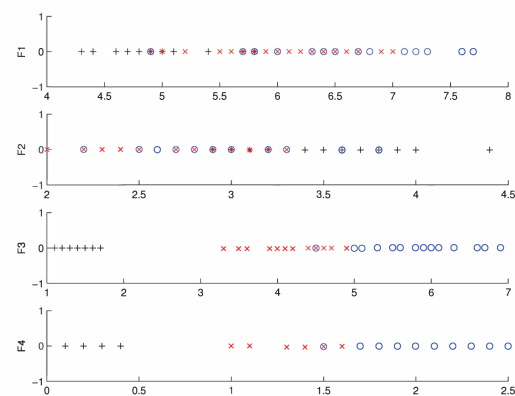


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## Feature Selection

- Feature selection approaches
  - Forward selection
  - Backward selection
- Given  $d$  features
  - There are  $2^d$  collections of features
    - $d = 10 \rightarrow 1,000$  choices
    - $d = 20 \rightarrow 1,000,000$  choices



Iris data set

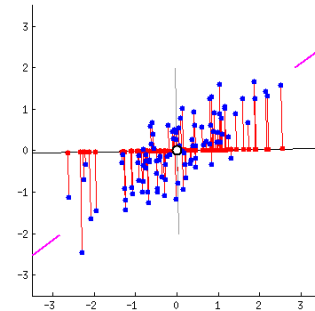
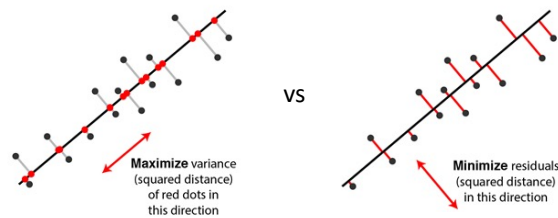


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## Feature Extraction

- PCA (Principal Component Analysis)
  - Dimensionality reduction technique
  - Significance of data should remain
    - Maximize the variance in the reduced space
    - Unlike, minimization of projection error



## Principal Component Analysis

- Projection of  $x$  on the direction of  $w$

$$z = w^T x$$

- Maximizing the variability subject to size of vector = 1

$$\max_{w_1} \text{Var}(z_1) = w_1^T \Sigma w_1$$

$$\text{s. t. } w_1^T w_1 = 1$$

- By Lagrangian

$$\max_{w_1} w_1^T \Sigma w_1 - \alpha (w_1^T w_1 - 1)$$

- By first order condition

$$2\Sigma w_1 - 2\alpha w_1 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \Sigma w_1 = \alpha w_1$$

## Principal Component Analysis

- We have

$$\Sigma w_1 = \alpha w_1$$

- $w_1$  is an eigenvector of  $\Sigma$  and  $\alpha$  is the corresponding eigenvalue

- Since we try to maximize  $w_1^T \Sigma w_1 = \alpha w_1^T w_1 = \alpha$ , we choose the eigenvector with the **largest eigenvalue**

- The second PCA**  $w_2$  should also maximize the variance, be of unit length and be orthogonal to  $w_1$

$$\max_{w_2} w_2^T \Sigma w_2 - \alpha(w_2^T w_2 - 1) - \beta(w_2^T w_1 - 0)$$

- By first order condition

$$2\Sigma w_2 - 2\alpha w_2 - \beta w_1 = 0$$

- Multiplying  $w_1$

$$2w_1^T \Sigma w_2 - 2w_1^T \alpha w_2 - \beta w_1^T w_1 = 0$$



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## Principal Component Analysis

- From the previous slide,

$$2w_1^T \Sigma w_2 - 2w_1^T \alpha w_2 - \beta w_1^T w_1 = 0 \quad (1)$$

- Since

$$w_1^T w_2 = 0 \quad \Sigma w_1 = \lambda_1 w_1$$

- $w_1^T \Sigma w_2$  is a scalar and hence its transpose has the same value (i.e.,  $w_1^T \Sigma w_2 = w_2^T \Sigma w_1$ ). Therefore,

$$w_1^T \Sigma w_2 = w_2^T \Sigma w_1 = \lambda_1 w_2^T w_1 = 0$$

- (1) becomes  $0 - 0 - \beta \cdot 1 = 0$  implying  $\beta = 0$ . As a result,

$$2\Sigma w_2 - 2\alpha w_2 - \beta w_1 = 0 \quad \text{becomes} \quad \Sigma w_2 = \alpha w_2$$

- Similar to the first PCA, the second PCA is the eigenvector of  $\Sigma$  with the **second largest eigenvalue**



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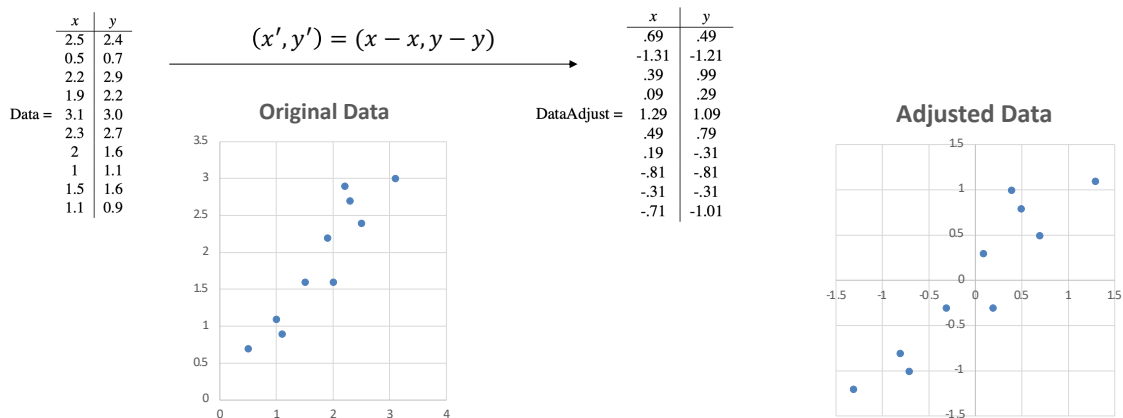
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## Steps of PCA

1. Standardization/normalization of Data
2. Computation of Covariance Matrix  $\Sigma$
3. Computation of eigenvector and eigenvalues
4. Selection of Principal Components out of eigenvectors
5. Projection of the data using the principal components vectors

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### • Data and Standardization



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- Covariance matrix  $\Sigma$

$$\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} .616555556 & .615444444 \\ .615444444 & .716555556 \end{pmatrix}$$

x	y
.69	.49
-1.31	-1.21
.39	.99
.09	.29
1.29	1.09
.49	.79
.19	-.31
-.81	-.81
-.31	-.31
-.71	-1.01

	(X'-Avg(X))	Y'-Avg(Y)	(X'-Avg(X))(Y'-Avg(Y))
	0.69	0.49	0.3381
	-1.31	-1.21	1.5851
	0.39	0.99	0.3861
	0.09	0.29	0.0261
	1.29	1.09	1.4061
	0.49	0.79	0.3871
	0.19	-0.31	-0.0589
	-0.81	-0.81	0.6561
	-0.31	-0.31	0.0961
	-0.71	-1.01	0.7171
Sum			
Sum of squares	5.549	6.449	5.539
Sample Variance	<b>0.61655556</b>	<b>0.71655556</b>	<b>0.61544444</b>

- Eigenvalues

Given  $\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} .616555556 & .615444444 \\ .615444444 & .716555556 \end{pmatrix}$

We want to find  $\lambda$  such that  $\det(\Sigma - \lambda I) = 0$

- Given eigenvalues, let's find eigenvectors  $v$

$$\Sigma v = \lambda v$$

$$(\Sigma - \lambda I)v = 0$$

For  $\lambda = 1.28402771$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -0.677873399 \\ -0.735178656 \end{bmatrix}$$

For  $\lambda = 0.0490834$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -0.735178656 \\ -0.677873399 \end{bmatrix}$$



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- Eigenvectors

$$\begin{bmatrix} -0.735178656, -0.677873399 \\ -0.677873399, -0.735178656 \end{bmatrix}$$

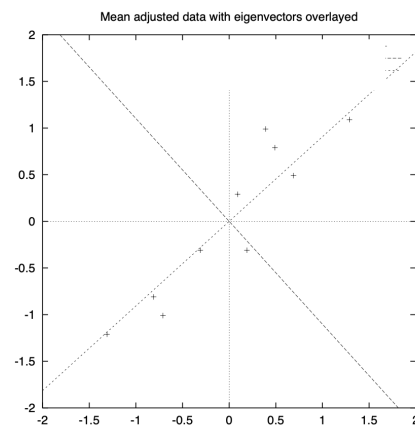
- PCAs (feature vectors)

— First component

$$\begin{bmatrix} -0.677873399 \\ -0.735178656 \end{bmatrix}$$

— Second component

$$\begin{bmatrix} -0.735178656 \\ 0.677873399 \end{bmatrix}$$



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• Projected Data

$x$	$y$
.69	.49
-1.31	-1.21
.39	.99
.09	.29
1.29	1.09
.49	.79
.19	-.31
-.81	-.81
-.31	-.31
-.71	-1.01

DataAdjust =

$$(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}) = \text{Feature Vector} \cdot (x, y)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -.677873399 & -.735178656 \\ -.735178656 & .677873399 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\tilde{x}$	$\tilde{y}$
-.827970186	-.175115307
1.77758033	.142857227
-.992197494	.384374989
-.274210416	.130417207
-1.67580142	-.209498461
-.912949103	.175282444
.0991094375	-.349824698
1.14457216	.0464172582
.438046137	.0177646297
1.22382056	-.162675287

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## Clustering

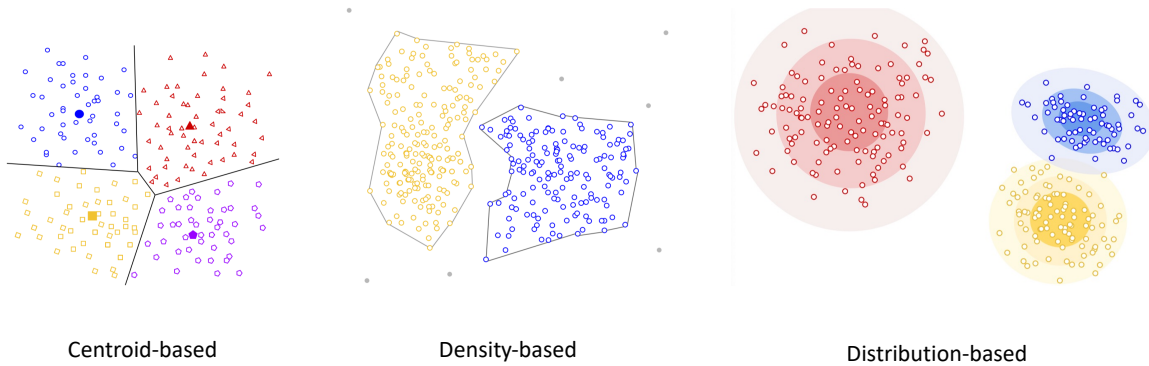
- A process of grouping a set of data objects into groups or clusters
  - So that objects within a cluster have high similarity,
  - But are dissimilar to objects in other clusters.
- An unsupervised ML
- Applications
  - Anomaly detection
  - Marketing (segmentation)
  - Recommender system
  - Social network analysis

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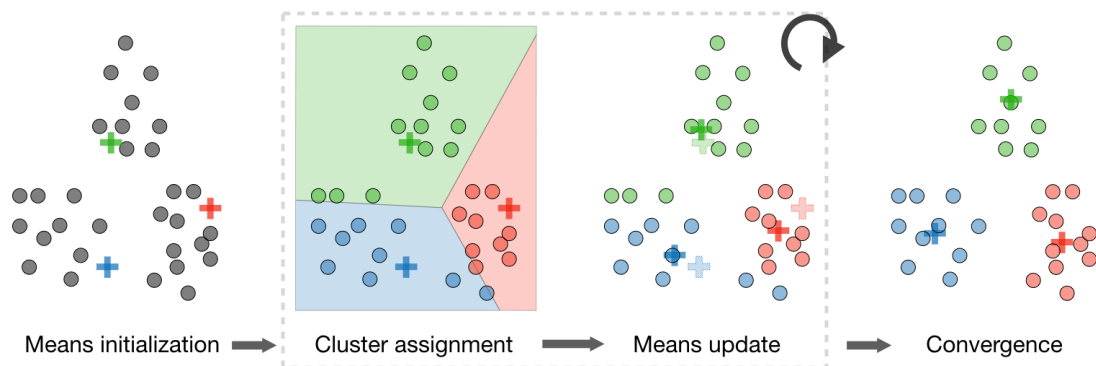
## Clustering



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## Hard Clustering

- k-Means Clustering



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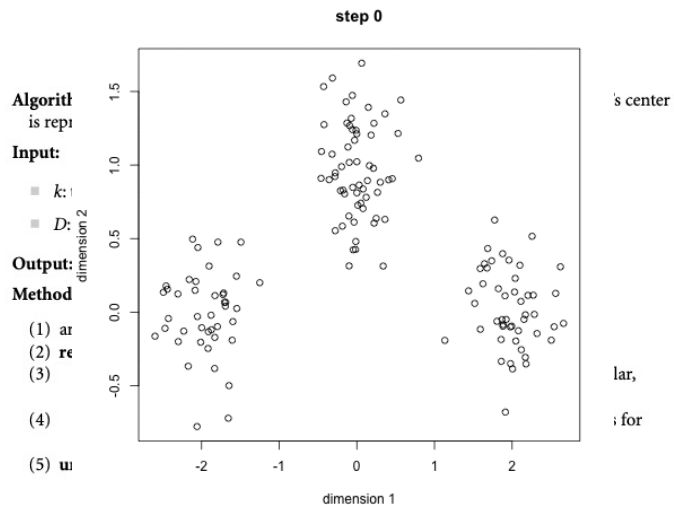
## $k$ -Means Clustering

- Error

$$E = \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{p \in C_i} (p - c_i)^2$$

- Drawbacks

- # of clusters needs to be given
- Final results depend on the initial random selection of cluster centres
- Sensitive to outliers ( $k$ -Medoids)



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## Clustering

- Determining the # of Clusters

- To balance between compressibility & accuracy
- Depends on distribution's shape, scale of the data set, required resolution
- Simple Rule

$$k = \sqrt{\frac{n}{2}}$$

- In which case each cluster has  $\sqrt{2n}$  points

- The Elbow Method

- More clusters means smaller within-cluster variance
- Marginal variance reduction decreases
- Hence, we can heuristically look for a turning point

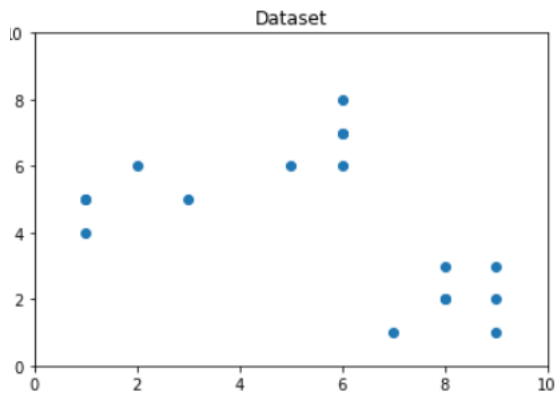
- 1: Form  $k$  clusters
- 2: Compute the sum of within-cluster error ( $k$ )
- 3: Plot the curve of error w.r.t.  $k$
- 4: Find the first turning point in the curve



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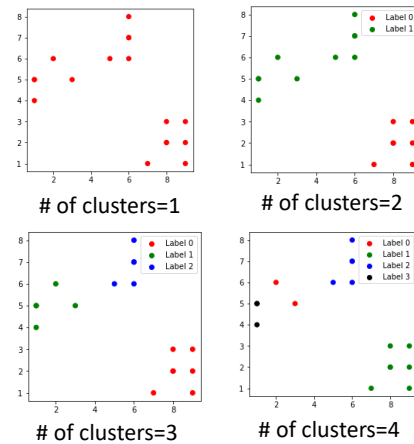
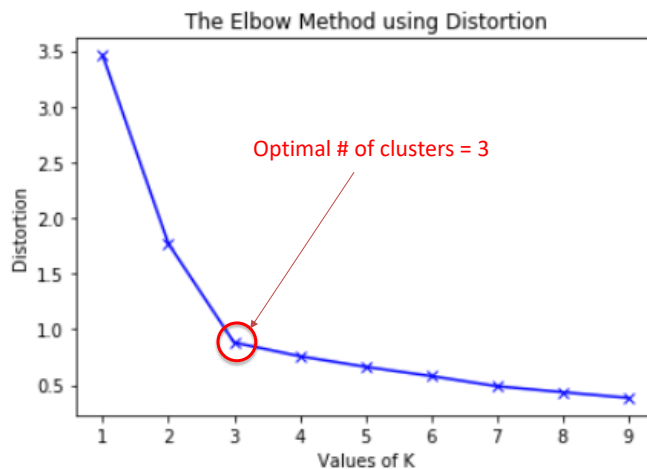
## The Elbow Method



k	Sum of inner cluster variance
1	3.4577032384495707
2	1.7687413573405673
3	0.8819889697423957
4	0.7587138847606585
5	0.6635212812400347
6	0.5808803063754726
7	0.5093717077076824
8	0.41652236641410356
9	0.3333333333333333

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## The Elbow Method



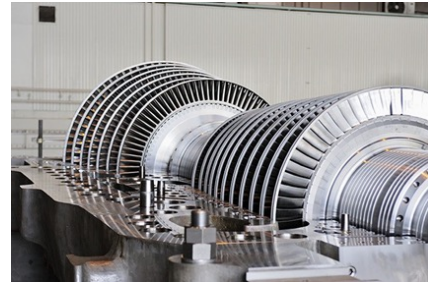
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## Case Study

### Data

- 480 generating units
  - Hydro power plant in Niagara Falls, Canada
  - Over 5 years (2012~2017)
- The units failed for various causes from 114 components.
- 0.6 million entries of maintenance records, failures, etc.

472-megawatt steam turbine generator (photo credit: businesswire.com)



## Data Collection

1. Removing redundancy
2. Removing units with inadequate records
3. Removing or recovering incomplete/inconsistent observations

	ForceOut	MainOut	MaxCapability	NumofCommon	PlanOut	WorkingHour	G199999	G142100	G141100	G142115	...
HGU0001	11	13	77.0	0.0	12	33429.6	0.0	6.0	2.0	0.0	...
HGU0002	13	14	77.0	0.0	10	36574.6	0.0	9.0	1.0	0.0	...
HGU0003	5	14	77.0	0.0	6	35721.3	0.0	3.0	1.0	0.0	...
HGU0004	11	10	77.0	0.0	7	36983.2	0.0	4.0	0.0	1.0	...
HGU0005	11	13	77.0	0.0	9	39080	0.0	6.0	1.0	0.0	...
HGU0006	6	13	77.0	0.0	8	35225.6	0.0	6.0	2.0	0.0	...
HGU0007	5	4	150.0	0.0	7	40213.8	1.0	7.0	16.0	1.0	...

## Clustering Results

	Cluster 1	Cluster 2	Cluster 0
Average number of Forced outages	25.985	13.603	17.460
Average number of Maintenance outages	30.758	15.026	23.400
Average number of Planned outages	15.833	10.250	26.100
Average number of Common modes	0.015	1.263	0.280
Average maximum capability	46.533	58.185	306.586
Average working hours	37738.700	38917.044	35084.975

## Clustering Results

### *Cluster 0*

- Largest average maximum capacity/unit
- Medium reliability
- Highest planned outages number is scheduled on these units
- Cluster 0 seems mostly important to the company.

### *Cluster 1*

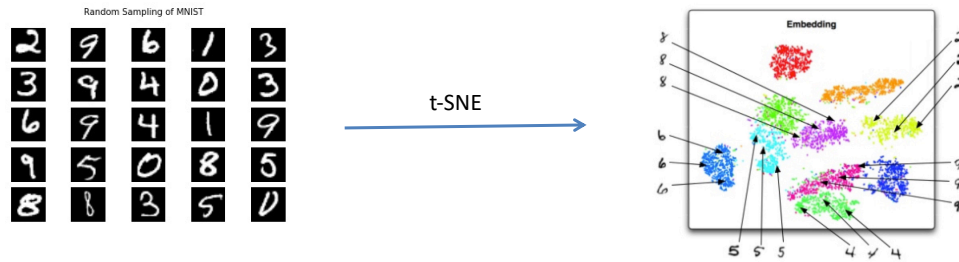
- Smallest average maximum capacity/unit
- The least reliable units
- Relatively large number of planned outages
- Failures seem isolated rather than caused by other units

### *Cluster 2*

- The most reliable unit
- Outages are likely caused by other units (leading to correlation analysis)
- Least maintained

## t-SNE

- t-Distributed Stochastic Neighbor Embedding



- Stochastic tool to retain local relationship through dimensionality reduction
- Distance between clusters is not controlled
- Computationally expensive

## t-SNE

- PCA: Push points away from each other
- t-SNE: Keep closer points closer



- Nearness measured by probability that  $x_i$  belongs to the neighborhood of  $x_j$  than others

$$p_{i|j} := \frac{\exp(-|x_i - x_j|^2 / 2\sigma_j^2)}{\sum_{k \neq j} \exp(-|x_k - x_j|^2 / 2\sigma_j^2)}$$

- Keep the probability high in the reduced space

$$q_{ij} = \frac{(1 + \|y_i - y_j\|^2)^{-1}}{\sum_{k \neq l} (1 + \|y_k - y_l\|^2)^{-1}}$$

## t-SNE

- Steps

1. Construct a probability distribution on pairs in higher dimensions

$$p_{ij} = \frac{p_{ji} + p_{ij}}{2N}$$

2. Construct a probability distribution on pairs in the reduced dimensions

$$q_{ij} = \frac{(1 + \|y_i - y_j\|^2)^{-1}}{\sum_{k \neq l} (1 + \|y_k - y_l\|^2)^{-1}}$$

3. Use SGD to minimize the discrepancy between the two distributions

$$\text{KL}(P \parallel Q) = \sum_{i \neq j} p_{ij} \log \frac{p_{ij}}{q_{ij}}$$

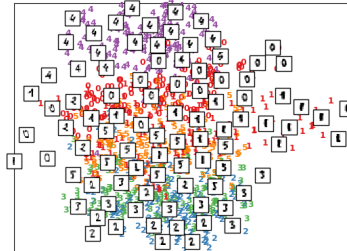
## t-SNE vs. PCA

A selection from the 64-dimensional digits dataset



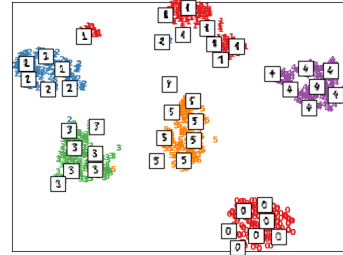
a. PCA

Principal Components projection of the digits (time 0.00s)



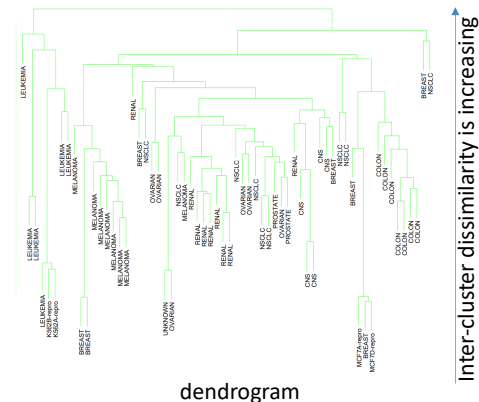
b. t-SNE

t-SNE embedding of the digits (time 4.60s)



## Hierarchical Clustering

- Avoid the critical hyper-parameter:  $k$ 
  - Instead, *threshold* on (inter-group) dissimilarity
- Two approaches
  - Bottom up (agglomerative)
  - Top-down (divisive)
- Both possess “monotonicity property”
- Disjoint clusters are defined by cutting the dendrogram horizontally
- Dendrogram depends on dissimilarity metric



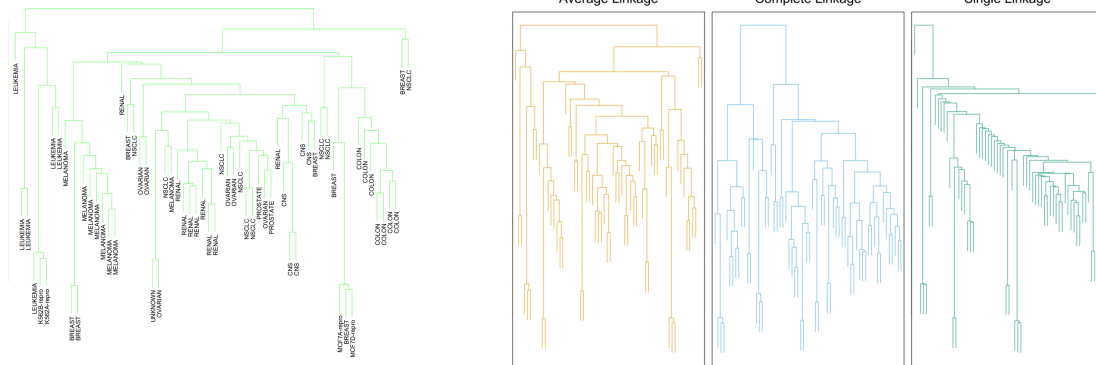
## Hierarchical Clustering

- Agglomerative Clustering
  - Begins with clusters of a single sample
  - The closest two clusters are merged; and move upward to continue
- Dissimilarity metric
  - Given two groups  $G$  and  $H$ , the dissimilarity between  $G$  and  $H$  is  $d(G, H)$
  - Dissimilarity between sample  $i \in G$  and sample  $i' \in H$  is  $d_{ii'}$
  - Single linkage-based
 
$$d_{SL}(G, H) = \min_{\substack{i \in G \\ i' \in H}} d_{ii'}$$
  - Complete linkage-based
 
$$d_{CL}(G, H) = \max_{\substack{i \in G \\ i' \in H}} d_{ii'}$$
  - Average linkage-based
 
$$d_{GA}(G, H) = \frac{1}{N_G N_H} \sum_{i \in G} \sum_{i' \in H} d_{ii'}$$



## Hierarchical Clustering

- 3 dendrograms using three metrics



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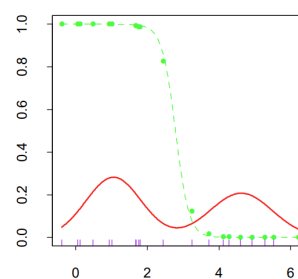
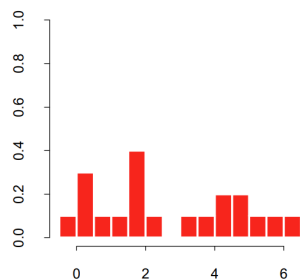
## Soft-Clustering

- Histogram and 2-component Gaussian mixture

— 20 samples

-0.39	0.12	0.94	1.67	1.76	2.44	3.72	4.28	4.92	5.53
0.06	0.48	1.01	1.68	1.80	3.25	4.12	4.60	5.28	6.22

— Visualization



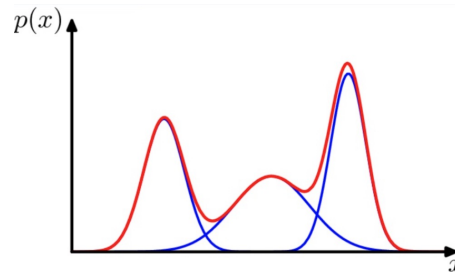
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## Soft-Clustering

- Clustering  $\equiv$  Mixture Distribution Fitting
- Data distribution can be

$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x} | \boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k).$$

cluster membership  
(responsibilities)
data distribution in cluster  $k$



- Log likelihood can be maximized
  - Usually, it is intractable
  - Alternating (1) find membership and (2) fit a distribution in each cluster: EM Algorithm

## Sketch of Derivation

- Responsibilities as a probability distribution
  - Let  $\mathbf{z} \in \{0,1\}^K$  such that  $z_k \in \{0,1\}$  and  $\sum_k z_k = 1$
  - Let  $p(z_k = 1) = \pi_k$  ( $0 \leq \pi_k \leq 1$ ,  $\sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k = 1$ )
  - We can write this distribution as

$$p(\mathbf{z}) = \prod_{k=1}^K \pi_k^{z_k}$$

- Conditional distribution of  $\mathbf{x}$  given a particular value of  $\mathbf{z}$

$$p(\mathbf{x} | z_k = 1) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x} | \boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k)$$

Hence,

$$p(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{z}) = \prod_{k=1}^K \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x} | \boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k)^{z_k}$$

- Posterior distribution of responsibilities  $z_k$

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma(z_k) \equiv p(z_k = 1|x) &= \frac{p(z_k = 1)p(x|z_k = 1)}{\sum_{j=1}^K p(z_j = 1)p(x|z_j = 1)} \\ &= \frac{\pi_k \mathcal{N}(x|\mu_k, \Sigma_k)}{\sum_{j=1}^K \pi_j \mathcal{N}(x|\mu_j, \Sigma_j)}\end{aligned}$$

## EM for Gaussian Mixtures

1. Initialize the means  $\mu_k$ , covariances  $\Sigma_k$  and mixing coefficient  $\pi_k$
2. **(Expectation)** Compute the responsibilities

$$\gamma(z_{nk}) = \frac{\pi_k \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_n | \mu_k, \Sigma_k)}{\sum_{j=1}^K \pi_j \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_n | \mu_j, \Sigma_j)}$$

3. **(Maximization)** Update the parameters given the current responsibilities

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_k^{\text{new}} &= \frac{1}{N_k} \sum_{n=1}^N \gamma(z_{nk}) \mathbf{x}_n & \pi_k^{\text{new}} &= \frac{N_k}{N} \\ \Sigma_k^{\text{new}} &= \frac{1}{N_k} \sum_{n=1}^N \gamma(z_{nk}) (\mathbf{x}_n - \mu_k^{\text{new}})(\mathbf{x}_n - \mu_k^{\text{new}})^T & N_k &= \sum_{n=1}^N \gamma(z_{nk})\end{aligned}$$

4. If converged, stop; otherwise, go to Step 2

## Soft-clustering

Steps	<i>k</i> -means	Soft-clustering
Parameter computation	Compute new <b>centroids</b> given hard allocation	Compute <b>mean &amp; variance</b> of component Gaussian distributions given soft allocation
Cluster allocation	Assign samples to the nearest centroid (hard allocation)	Assign samples to all clusters with fractional membership (soft allocation)

