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Exactly like in K-Means!

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Summary

K-Means is actually EM for Gaussian Mixture Model, but

- With fixed covariance matrices $\Sigma_c = I$
- Simplified E-step (approximate $p(t_i \mid x_i, \theta)$ with delta function)

Thus K-Means is faster but less flexible than GMM