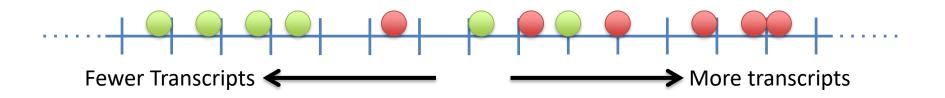
# Linear Discriminant Analysis

The Problem...

- We've got a cancer drug
  - It works great for some people...
  - ... but it makes other people feel worse. :(

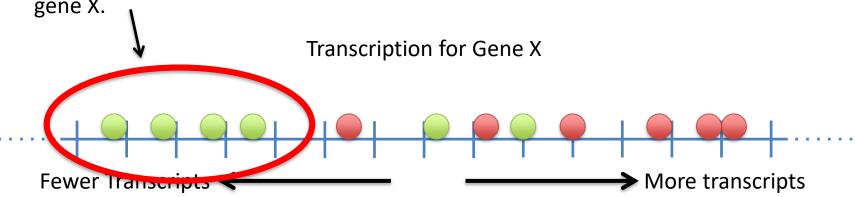
- How do we decide who to give the drug to?
  - Maybe gene expression can help us decide.

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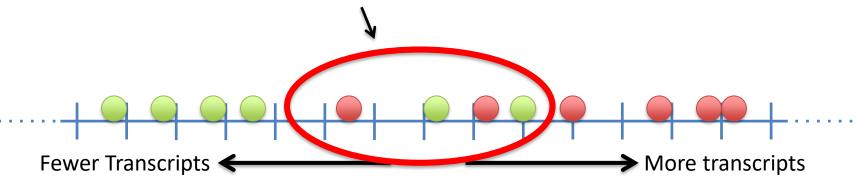
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More transcripts

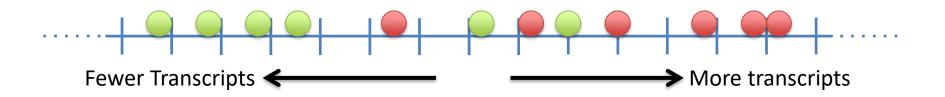
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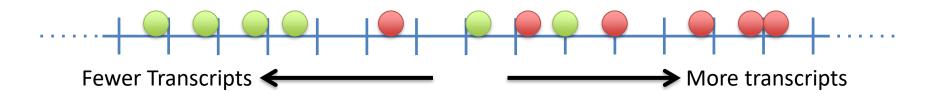
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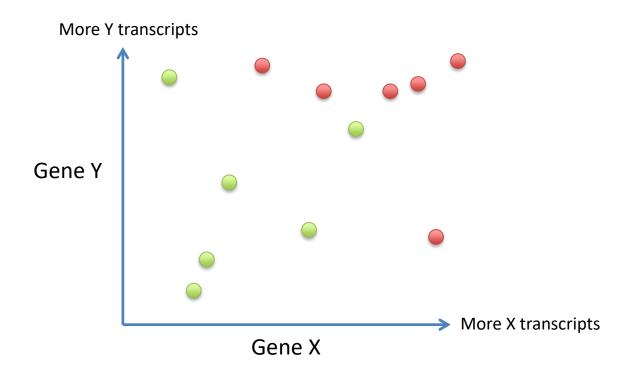
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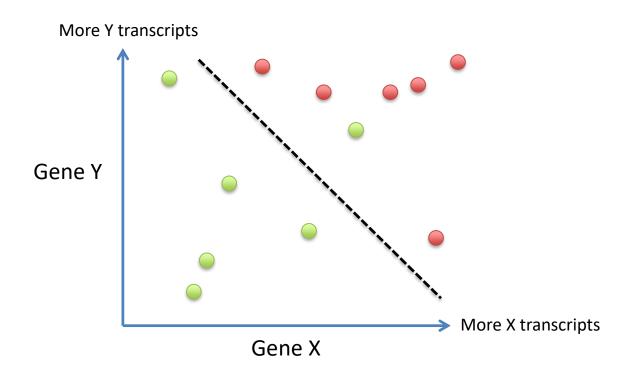
Can we do better? What if we used more than one gene?



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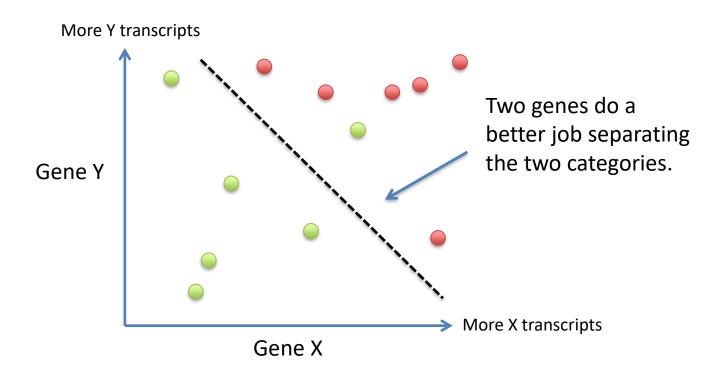


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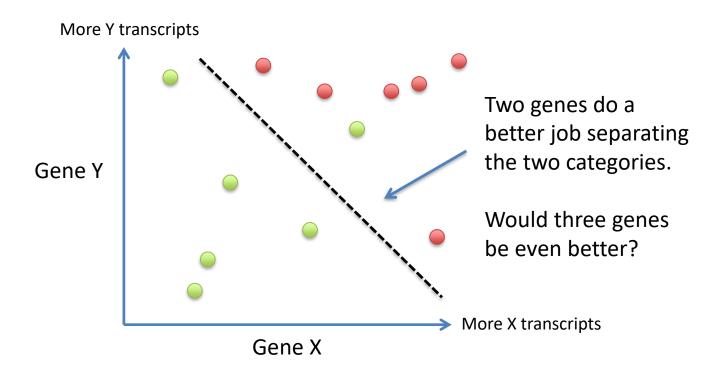


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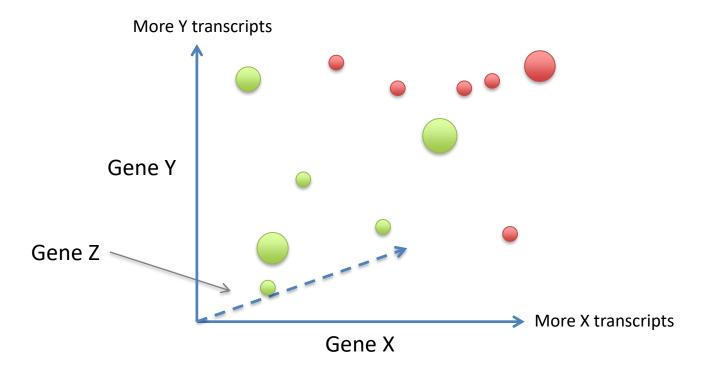
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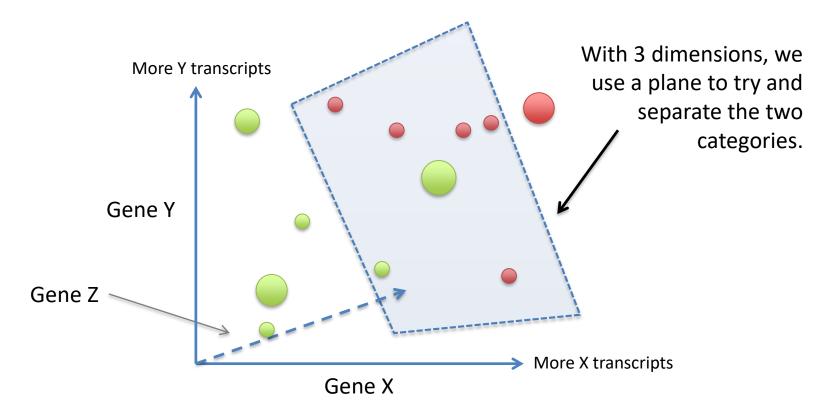
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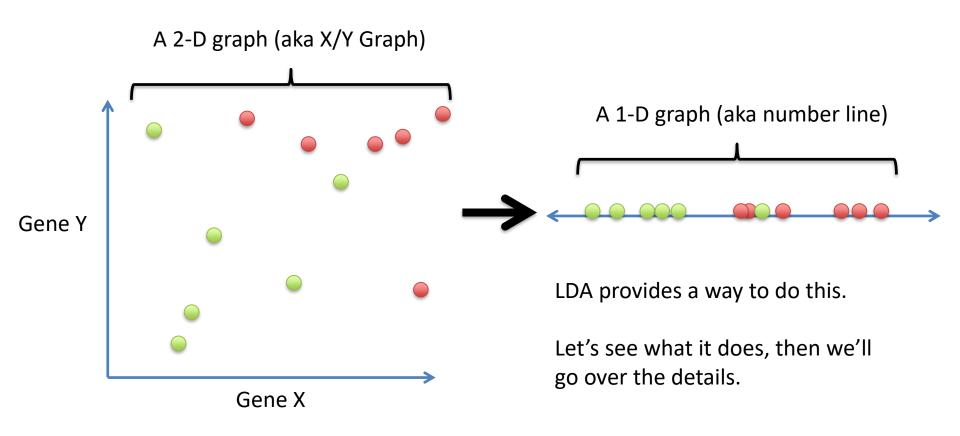
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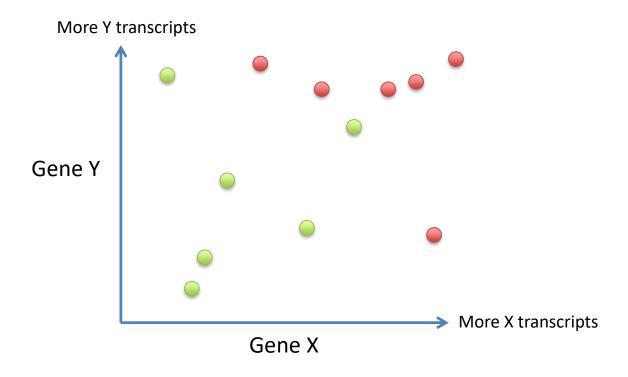
- We can't draw a 4-D graph.... :(
- We ran into this same problem when we talked about PCA.
- PCA (remember that?) reduces dimensions by focusing on the genes with the most variation.
  - This is useful for plotting data with a lot of dimensions (or a lot of genes) onto a simple X/Y plot.
  - However, in this case we're not super interested in the genes with the most variation.
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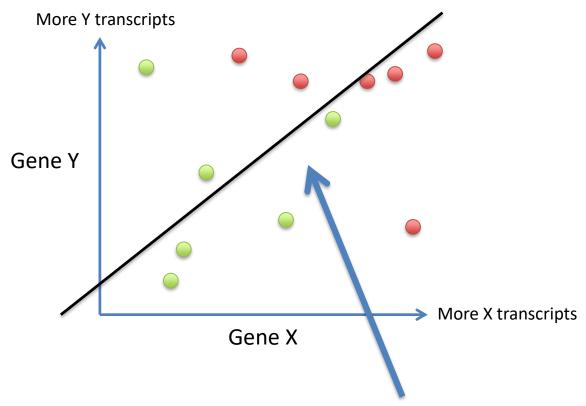
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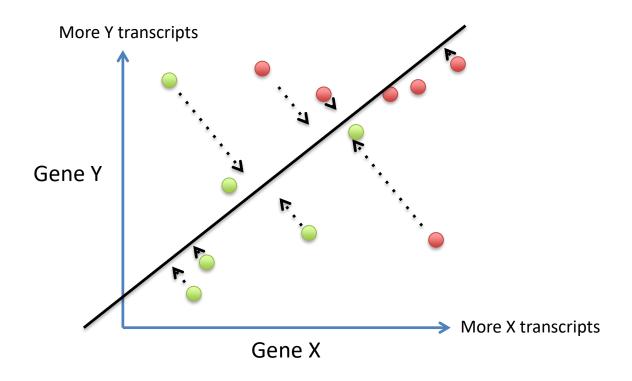
Reducing a 2-D graph to a 1-D graph







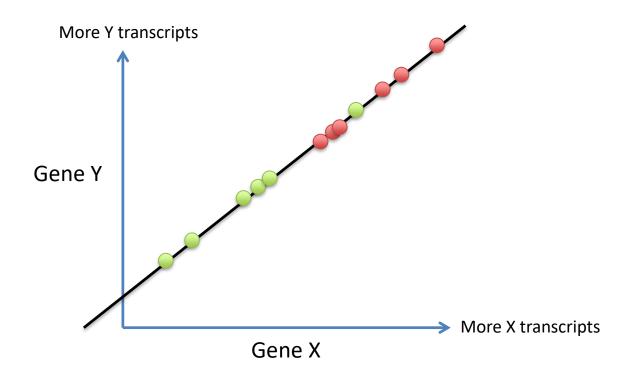
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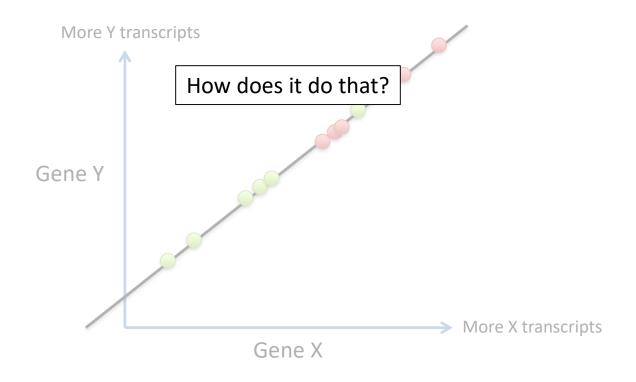
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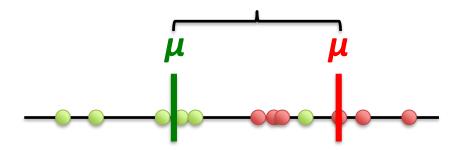


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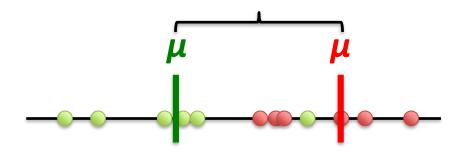
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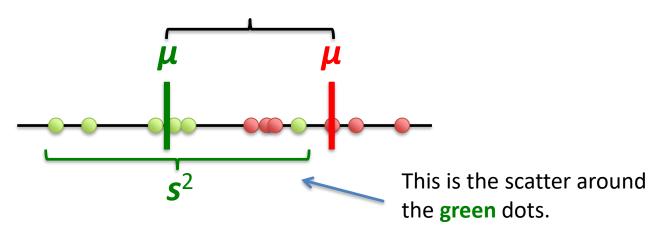
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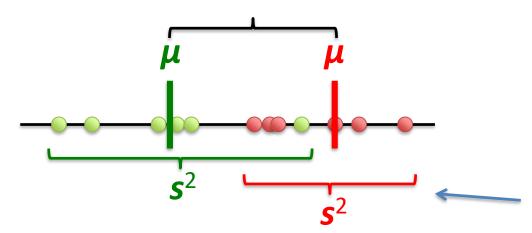
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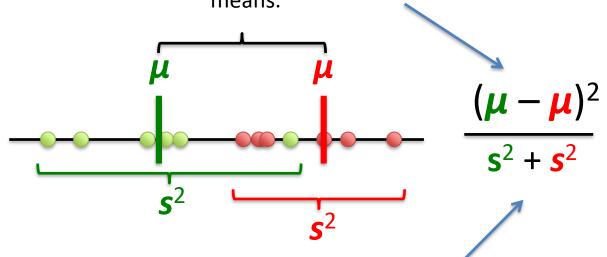
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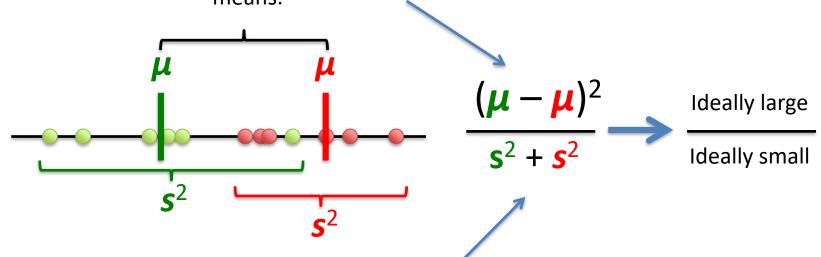
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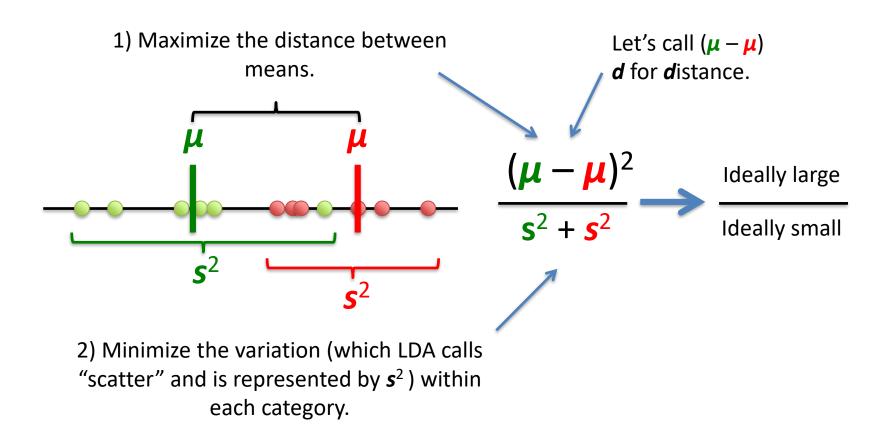


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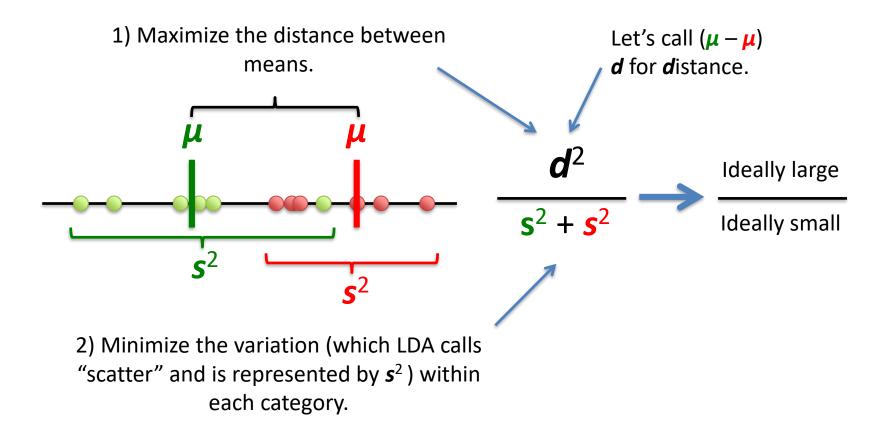
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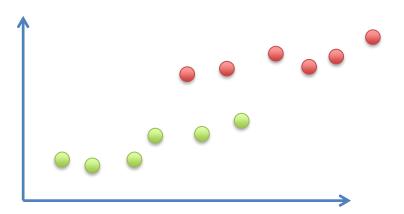


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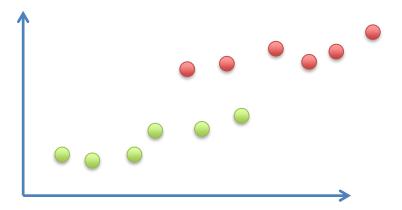


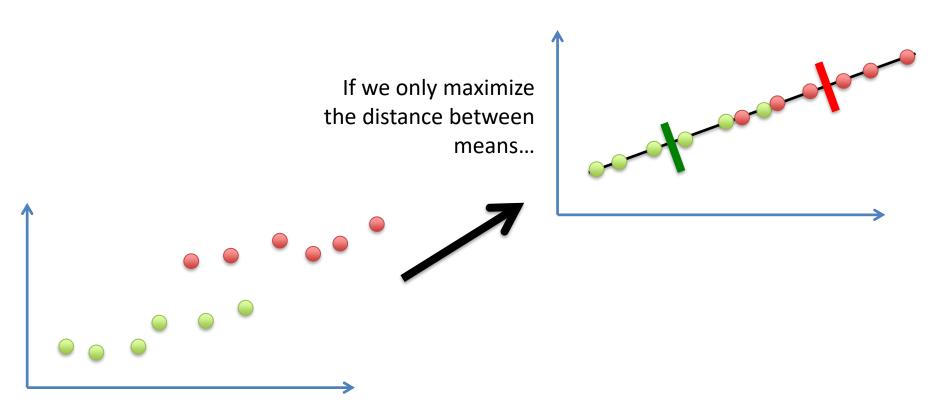
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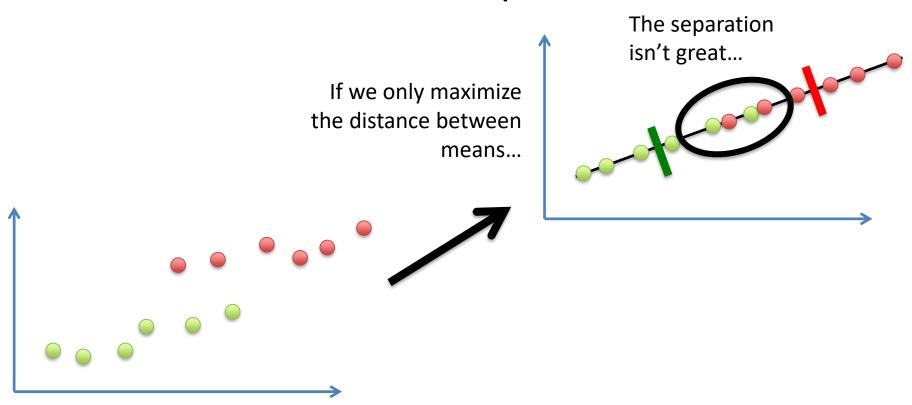


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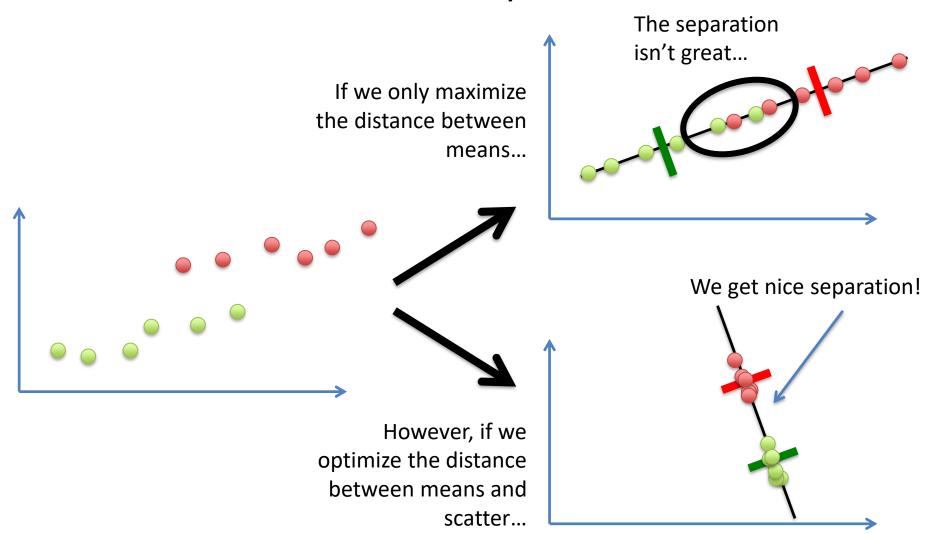


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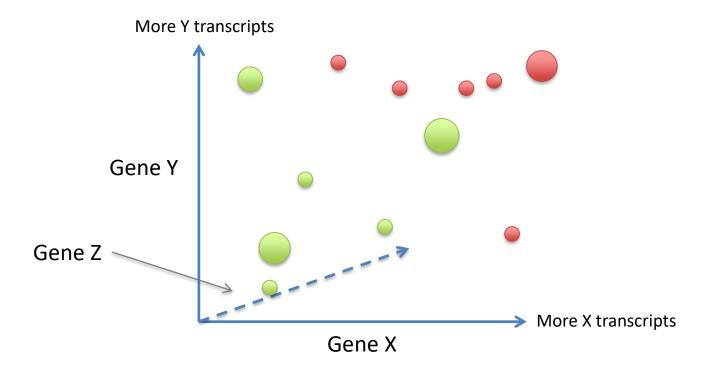
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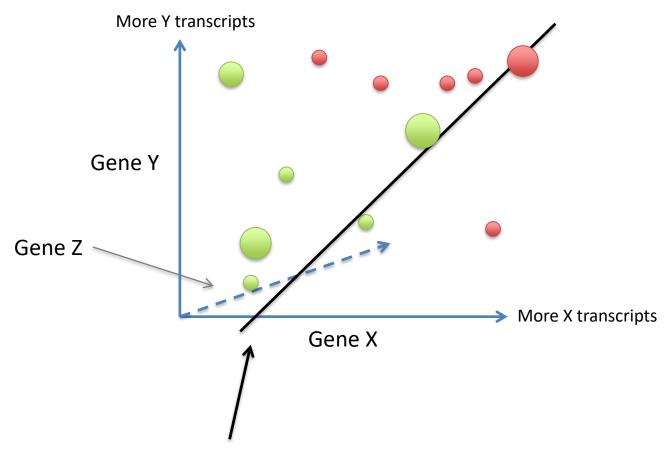
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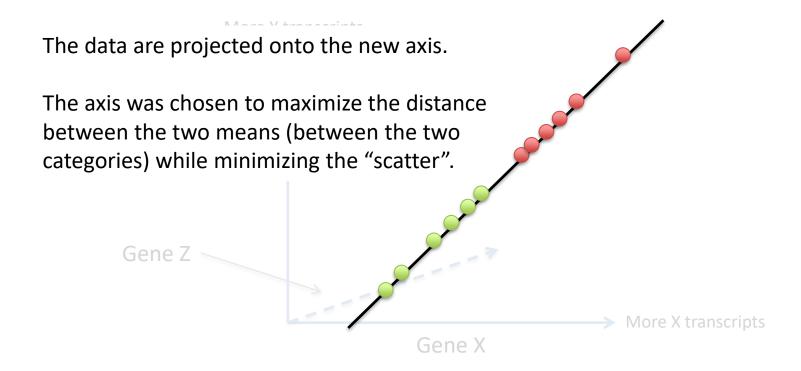
- The process is the same:
  - Create an axis that maximizes the distance between the means for the two categories while minimizing the scatter.





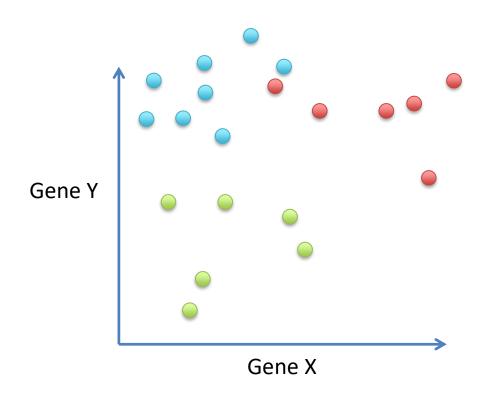
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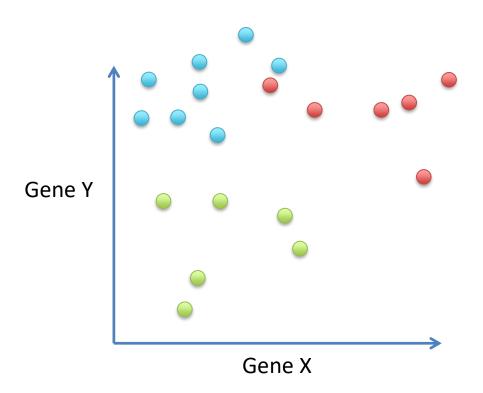


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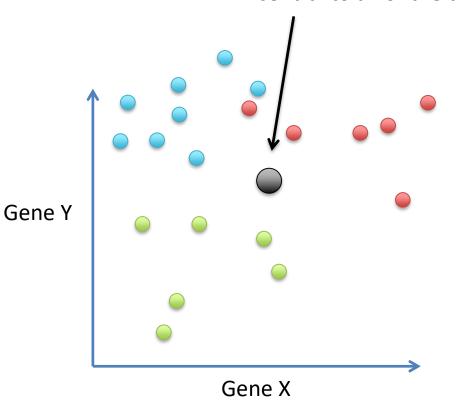
Two things change, but barely...



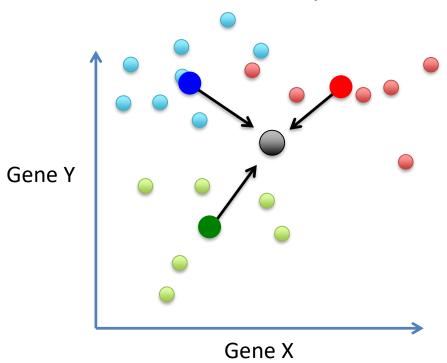
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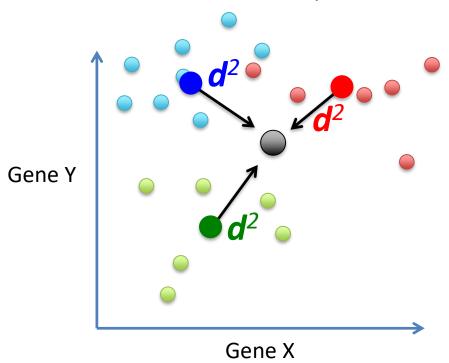
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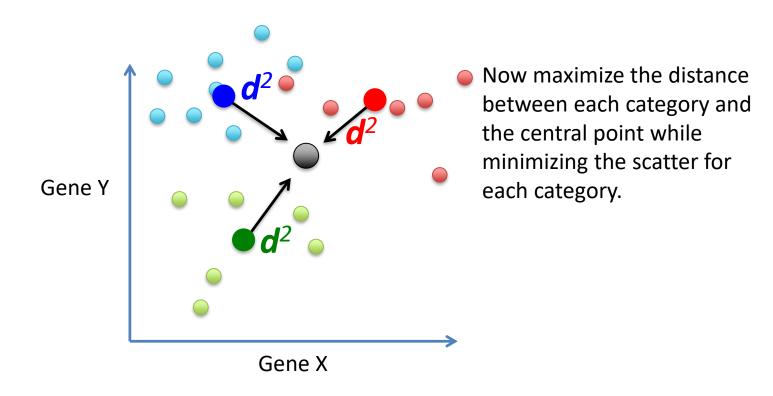


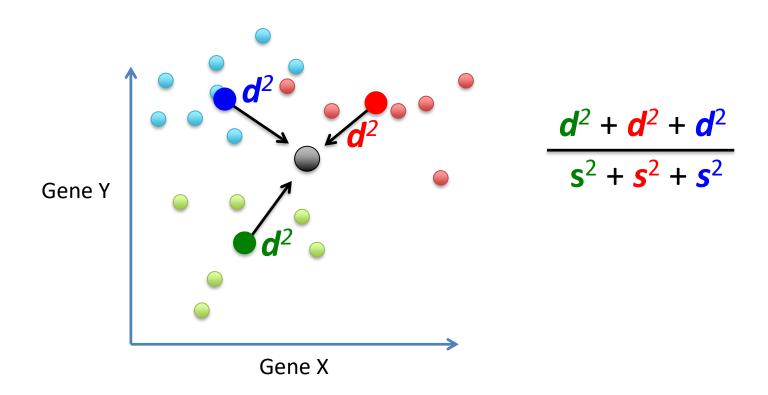
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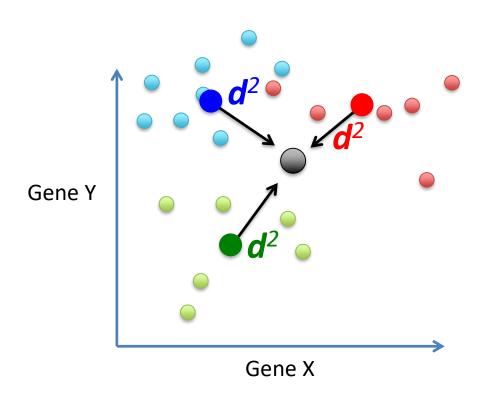


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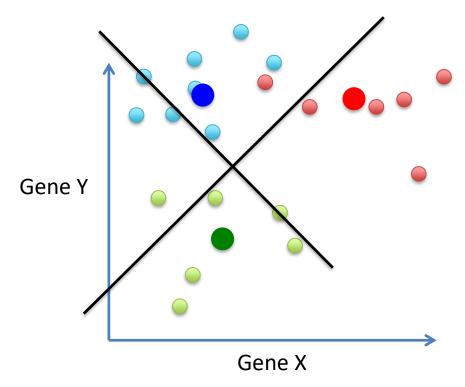
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This is the same equation as before, but now there are terms for the blue category.

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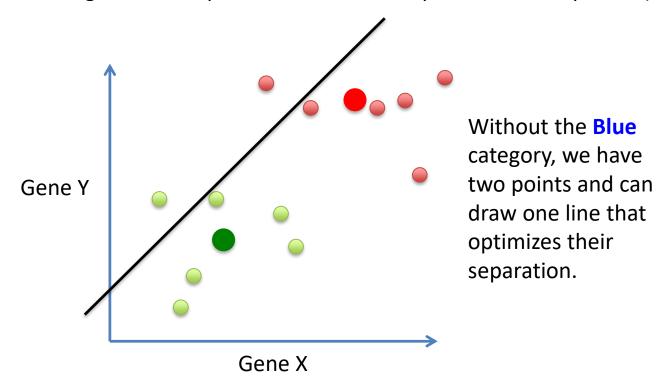
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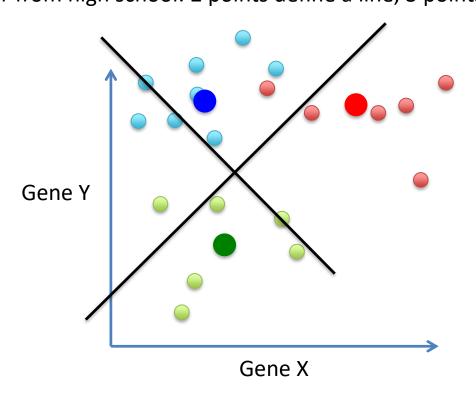
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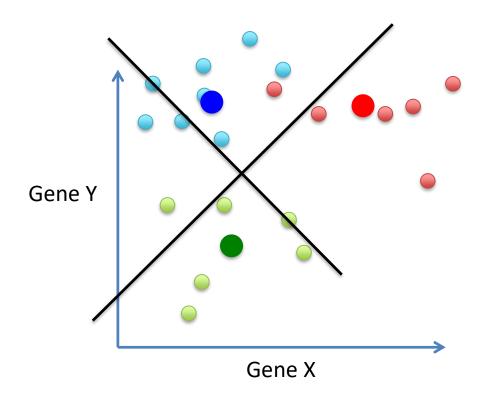
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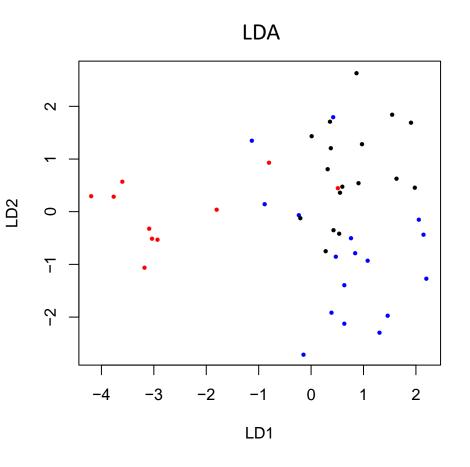
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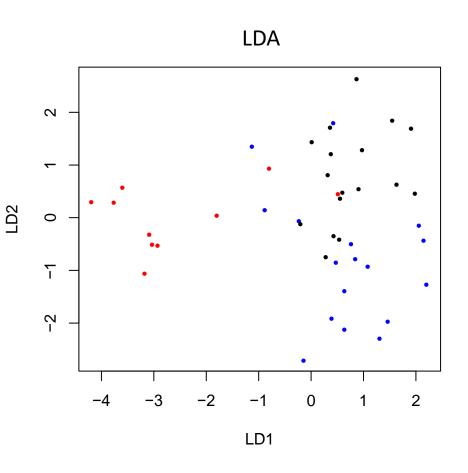
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Suddenly, being able to create 2 axes that maximize the separation of three categories is super cool!!!!!

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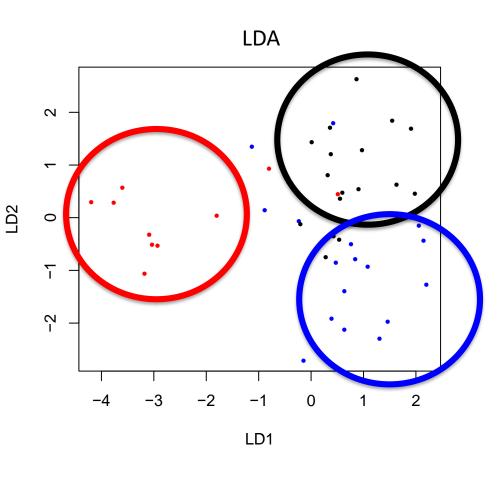
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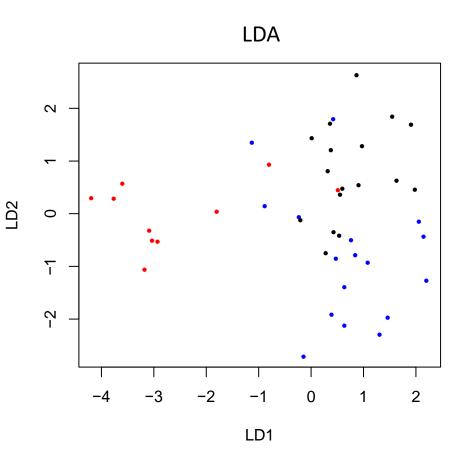
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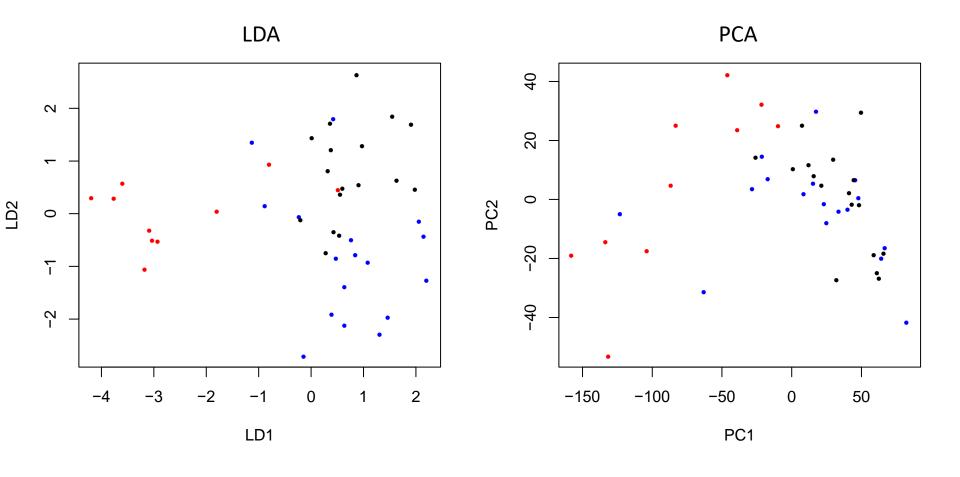
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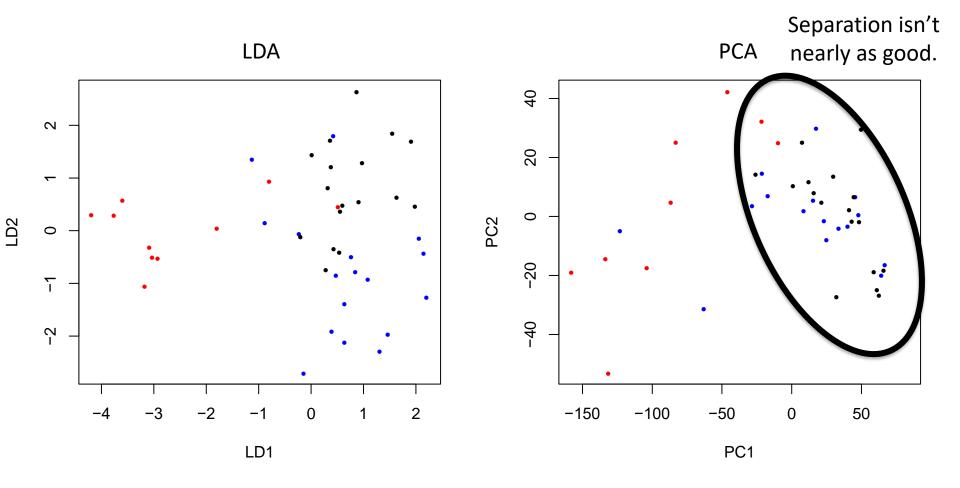
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