

# HUDK 4050: CORE METHODS IN EDM

# In the news

**Statistics and data science degrees:  
Overhyped or the real deal?**

**THE CONVERSATION**  
Academic rigor, journalistic flair

**ScienceDaily**

Scientists use AI to develop better predictions of why  
children struggle at school



**Libraries Look to Big Data to Measure Their Worth—  
And Better Help Students**



**WHERE LEARNING ANALYTICS GO  
WRONG**

**Daily Herald**  
Suburban Chicago's Information Source

**Roboticist trains AI to write fortunes  
-- and things get weird**

# Events

Event	Date	URL
NYAS: Healthcare in the Era of Big Data	October 24-25	<a href="https://www.nyas.org/events/2018/healthcare-in-the-era-of-big-data-opportunities-and-challenges/?utm_source=The+New+York+Academy+of+Sciences&amp;utm_campaign=f0807f47cb-184577937&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_term=0_cba25b11d2-f0807f47cb-184577937&amp;mc_cid=f0807f47cb&amp;mc_eid=cfeec7fb2">https://www.nyas.org/events/2018/healthcare-in-the-era-of-big-data-opportunities-and-challenges/?utm_source=The+New+York+Academy+of+Sciences&amp;utm_campaign=f0807f47cb-184577937&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_term=0_cba25b11d2-f0807f47cb-184577937&amp;mc_cid=f0807f47cb&amp;mc_eid=cfeec7fb2</a>
Cross-device User Clustering at Adobe	5:30 November 29	<a href="https://events.columbia.edu/cal/event/eventView.do?b=de&amp;calPath=%2Fpublic%2Fcals%2FMainCal&amp;guid=CAL-00bb9e28-655b8cee-0165-5dd5c72b-00001287events@columbia.edu&amp;recurrenceId=">https://events.columbia.edu/cal/event/eventView.do?b=de&amp;calPath=%2Fpublic%2Fcals%2FMainCal&amp;guid=CAL-00bb9e28-655b8cee-0165-5dd5c72b-00001287events@columbia.edu&amp;recurrenceId=</a>
DSI: Towards Better Reinforcement Learning for High Stakes Domains	5:30pm November 1	<a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/new-york-data-science-seminar-series-emma-brunskill-stanford-tickets-51551174952">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/new-york-data-science-seminar-series-emma-brunskill-stanford-tickets-51551174952</a>
Data Law in a Global Digital Economy	November 9	<a href="https://www.guariniglobal.org/data-law">https://www.guariniglobal.org/data-law</a>
NYAS: Deep Learning to Accelerate Drug Development	November 13	<a href="https://www.nyas.org/events/2018/deep-learning-to-accelerate-drug-development-announcements-symposium/?utm_source=The+New+York+Academy+of+Sciences&amp;utm_campaign=f0807f47cb-184577937&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_term=0_cba25b11d2-f0807f47cb-184577937&amp;mc_cid=f0807f47cb&amp;mc_eid=cfeec7fb2">https://www.nyas.org/events/2018/deep-learning-to-accelerate-drug-development-announcements-symposium/?utm_source=The+New+York+Academy+of+Sciences&amp;utm_campaign=f0807f47cb-184577937&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_term=0_cba25b11d2-f0807f47cb-184577937&amp;mc_cid=f0807f47cb&amp;mc_eid=cfeec7fb2</a>
People centric approach to optimize Data Science, Commercial impact and Leadership	10:30am November 14	<a href="https://events.columbia.edu/cal/event/eventView.do?b=de&amp;calPath=%2Fpublic%2Fcals%2FMainCal&amp;guid=CAL-00bb9e24-655b8449-0165-5e0ea7e9-00001957events@columbia.edu&amp;recurrenceId=">https://events.columbia.edu/cal/event/eventView.do?b=de&amp;calPath=%2Fpublic%2Fcals%2FMainCal&amp;guid=CAL-00bb9e24-655b8449-0165-5e0ea7e9-00001957events@columbia.edu&amp;recurrenceId=</a>
Machine Learning Innovation Summit	December 12-13	<a href="https://www.theinnovationenterprise.com/summits/machine-learning-innovation-summit-new-york-2018">https://www.theinnovationenterprise.com/summits/machine-learning-innovation-summit-new-york-2018</a>

# 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

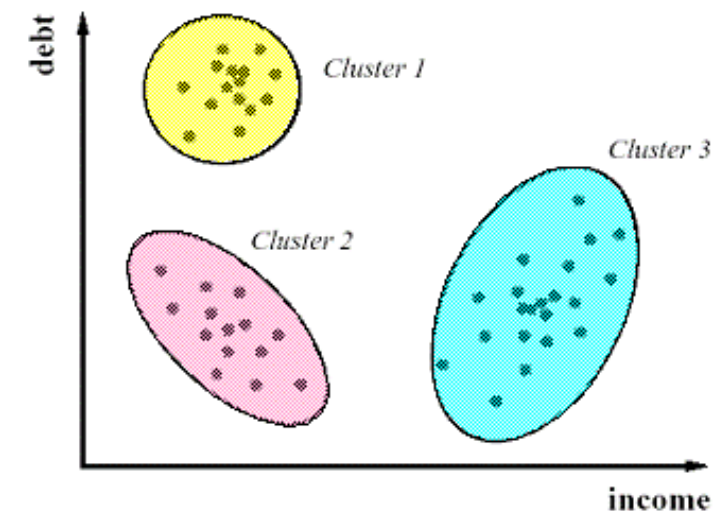
# How to reduce dimensions?

Mean, median, mode

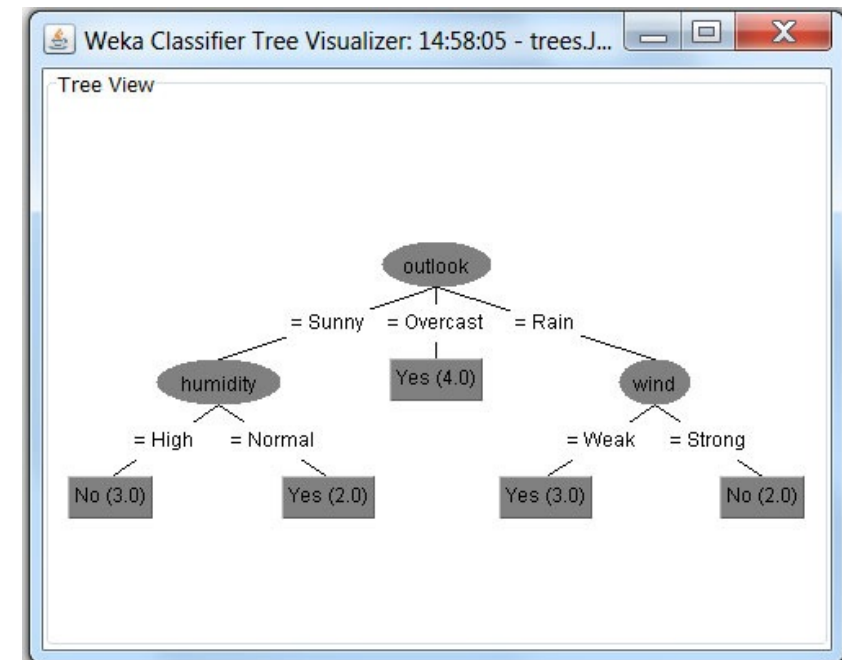
Principle Component  
Analysis

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

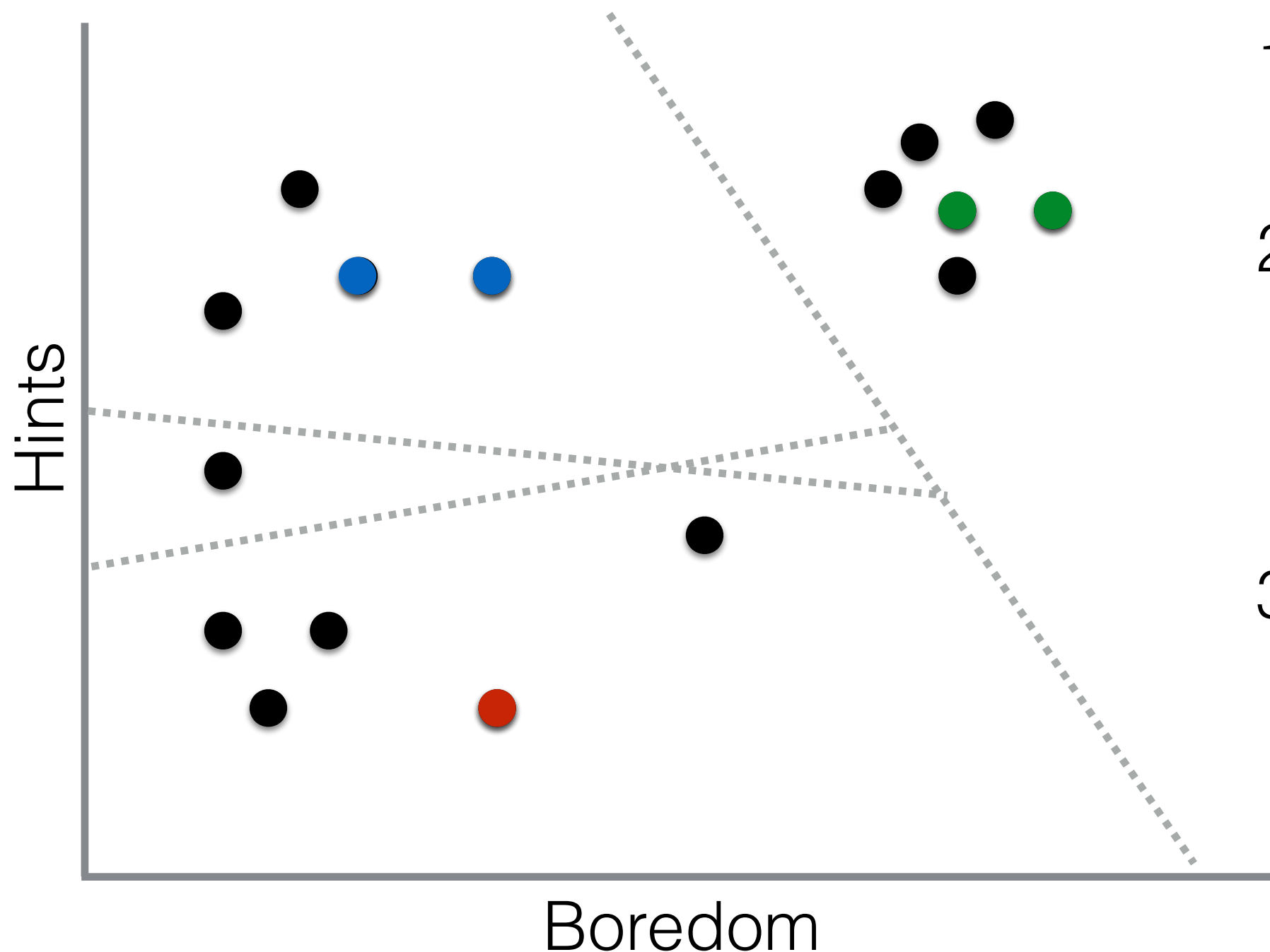
By People



ID	Var1	Var2	Var3
A			
C			

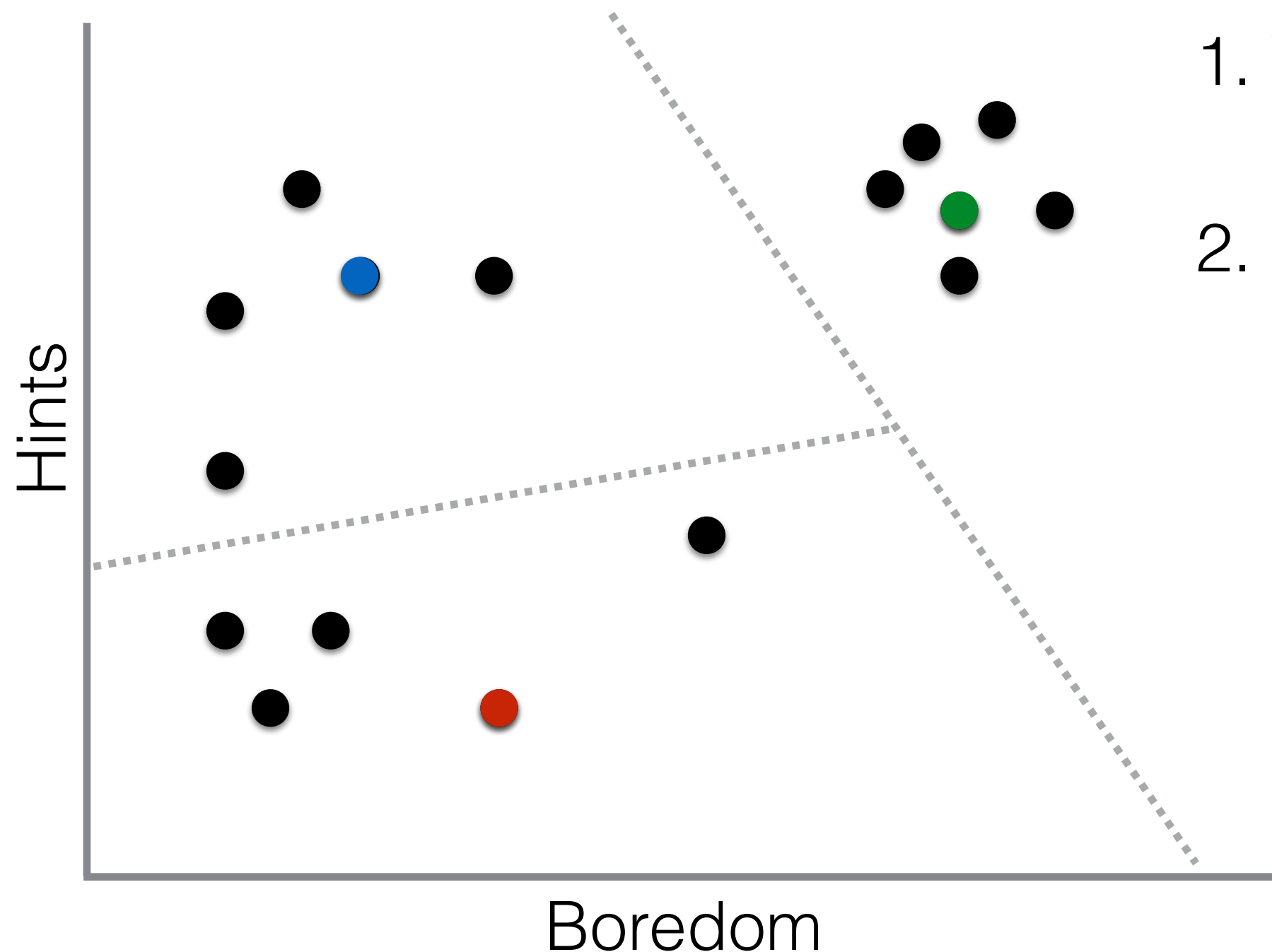
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D			

# Cluster Analysis: K-means

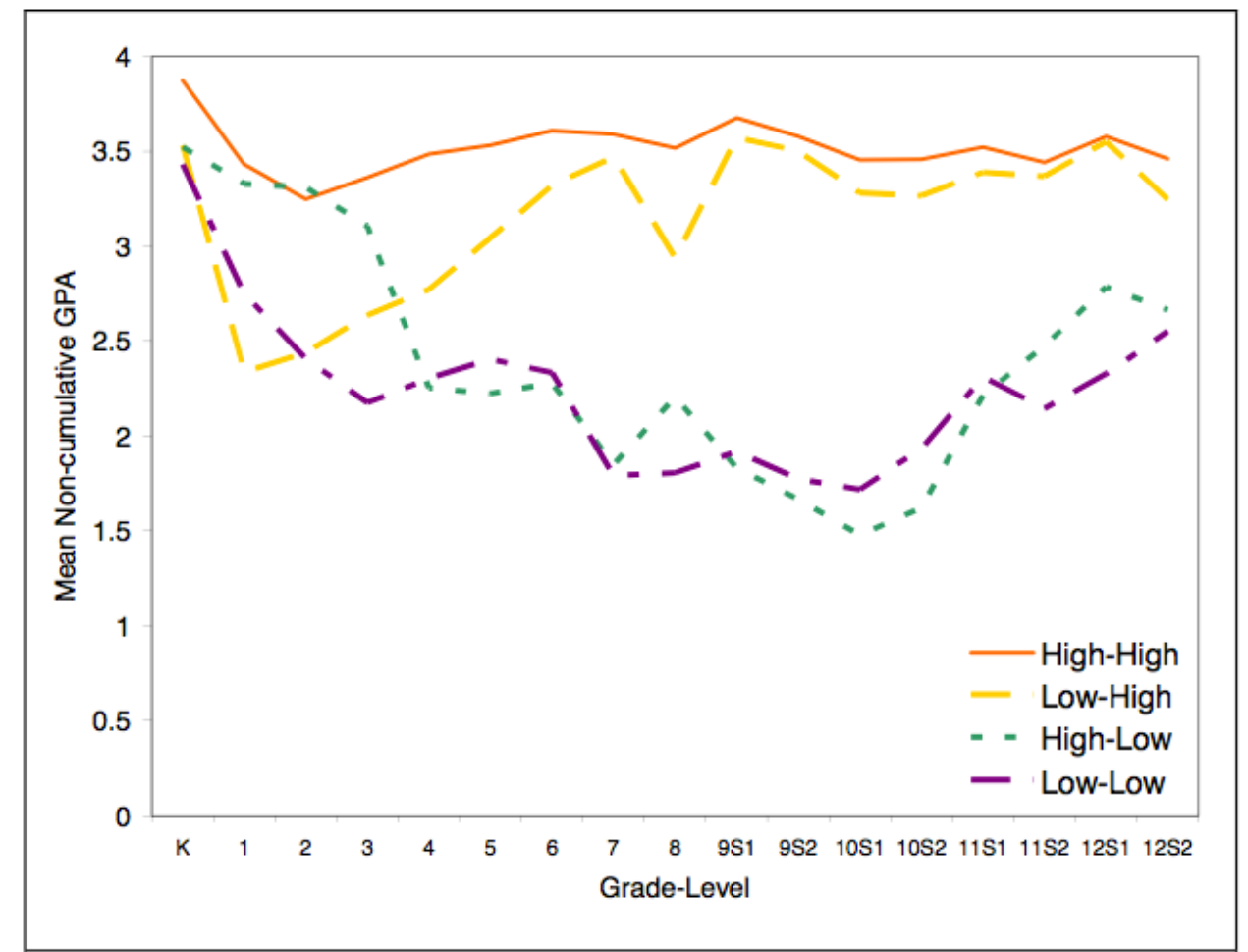
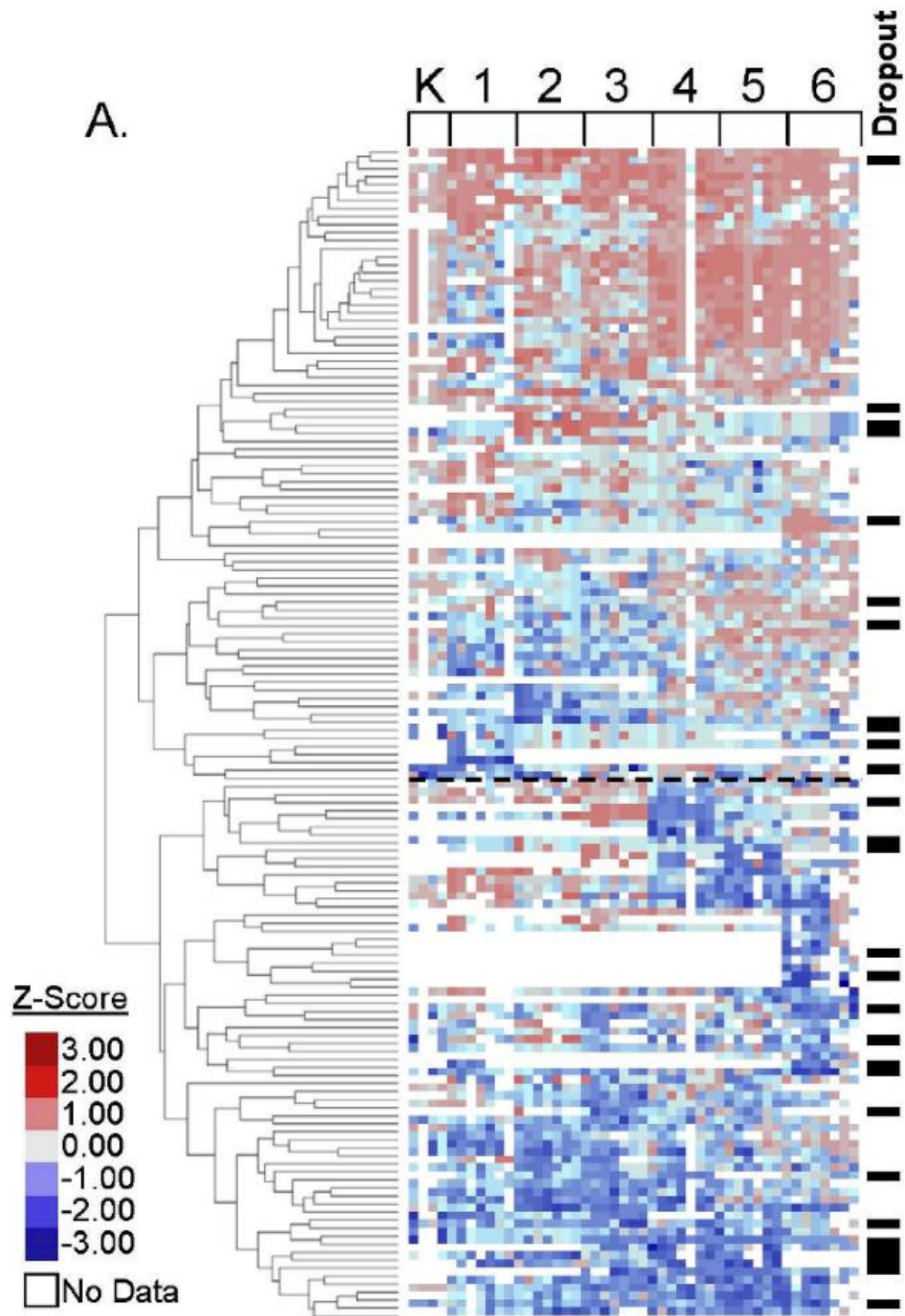


1. Select some random points
2. Associate those points with closest other points
3. Move the selected point to the mean point in the cluster

# Cluster Analysis: K-means



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



Bowers (2010)

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By Variables

ID	Var1	Var2	Var3
A			
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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			

# Feature Extraction

- Principal Component Analysis
  - Variance
  - Covariance
  - Matrix algebra

# Cluster Survey

[bit.ly/HUDK4050-cluster](https://bit.ly/HUDK4050-cluster)

# Cluster Activity

core-methods-in-edm/  
class-activity-6