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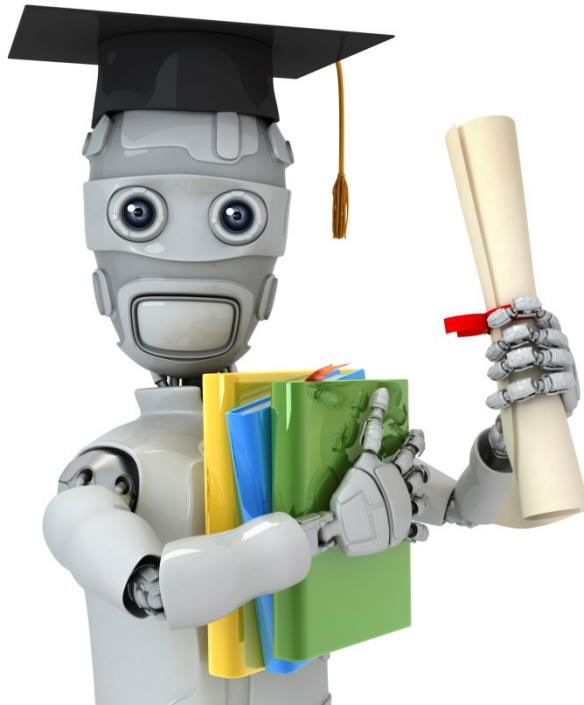
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- Understanding human learning (brain, real AI).



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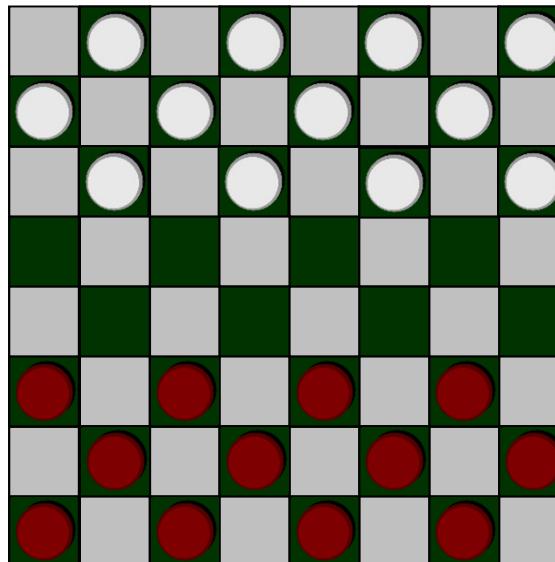
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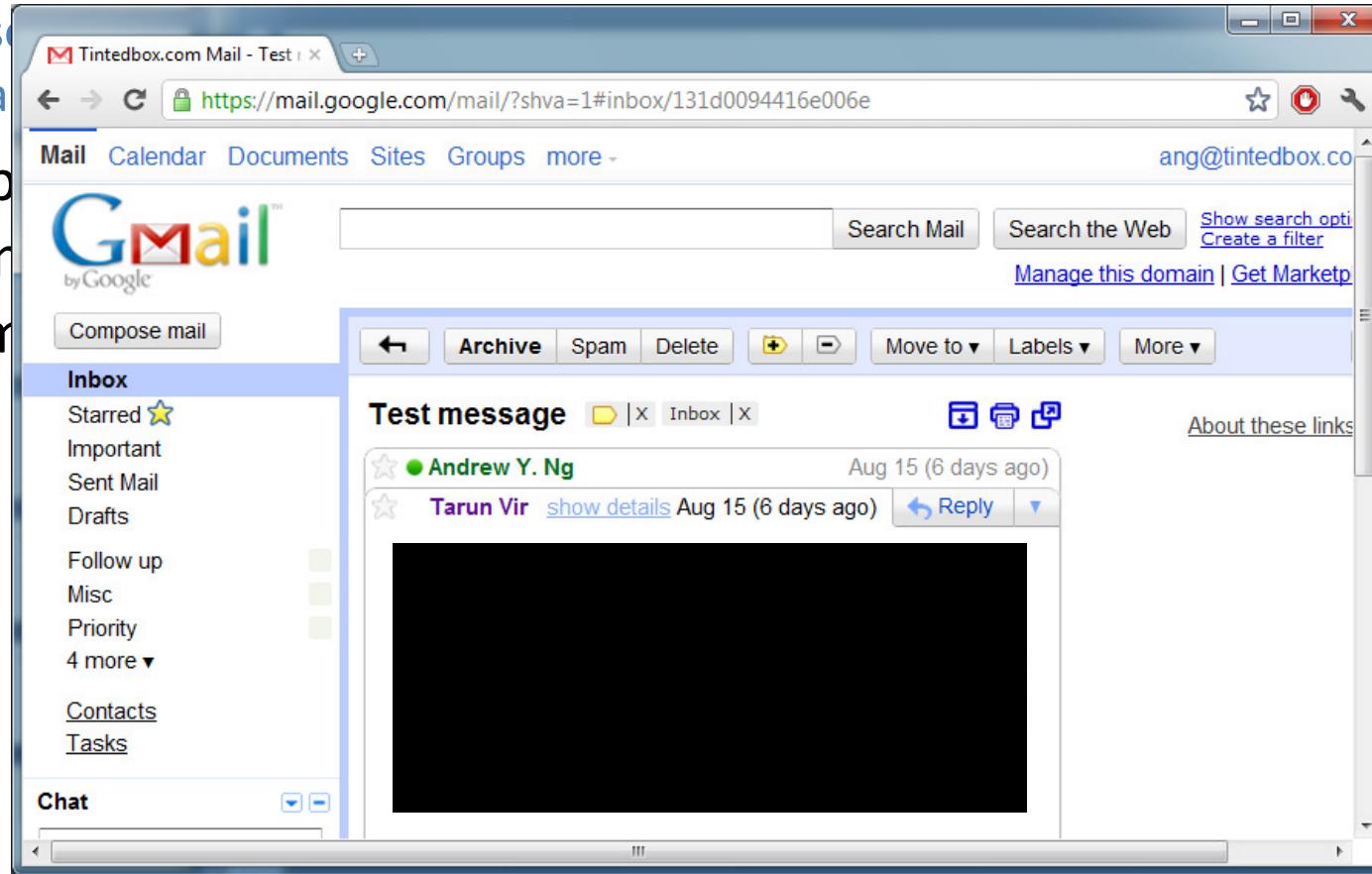
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- Classifying emails as spam or not spam. *T ↙*
- Watching you label emails as spam or not spam. *E ↙*
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Support vector machines learn by doing classification on training data T, or do not require training data T.

Suppose we have a spam filter that does not require training data T. It can identify spam emails by learning from previous emails it has been trained on. This is done by creating a set of rules or filters that identify characteristics of spam emails, such as specific words or patterns in the subject line or body. These rules are then applied to new incoming emails to determine if they are spam or not. If the filter identifies an email as spam, it can then be moved to the spam folder or flagged for further review.



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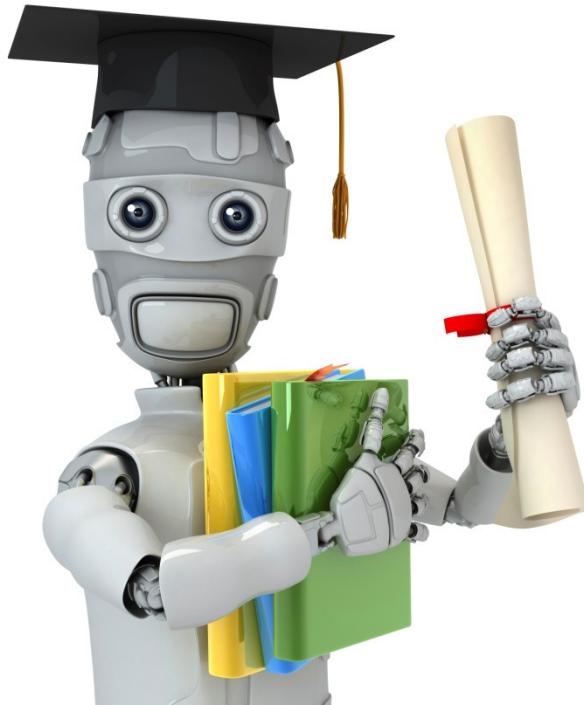
- Supervised learning
- Unsupervised learning



Others: Reinforcement learning, recommender systems.

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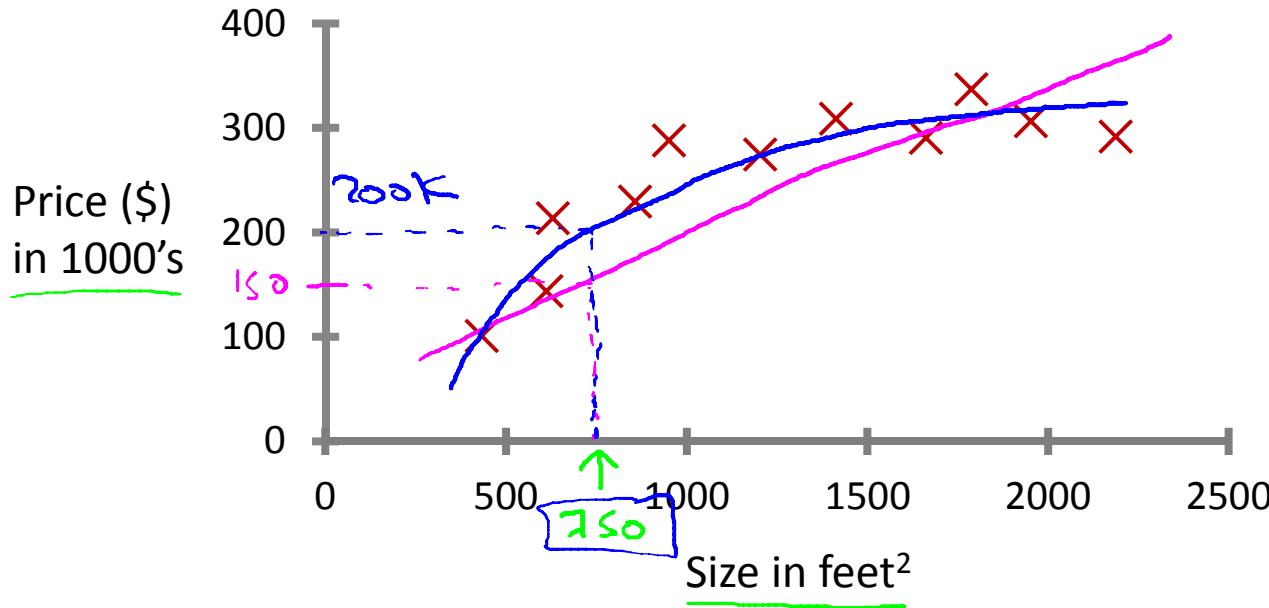




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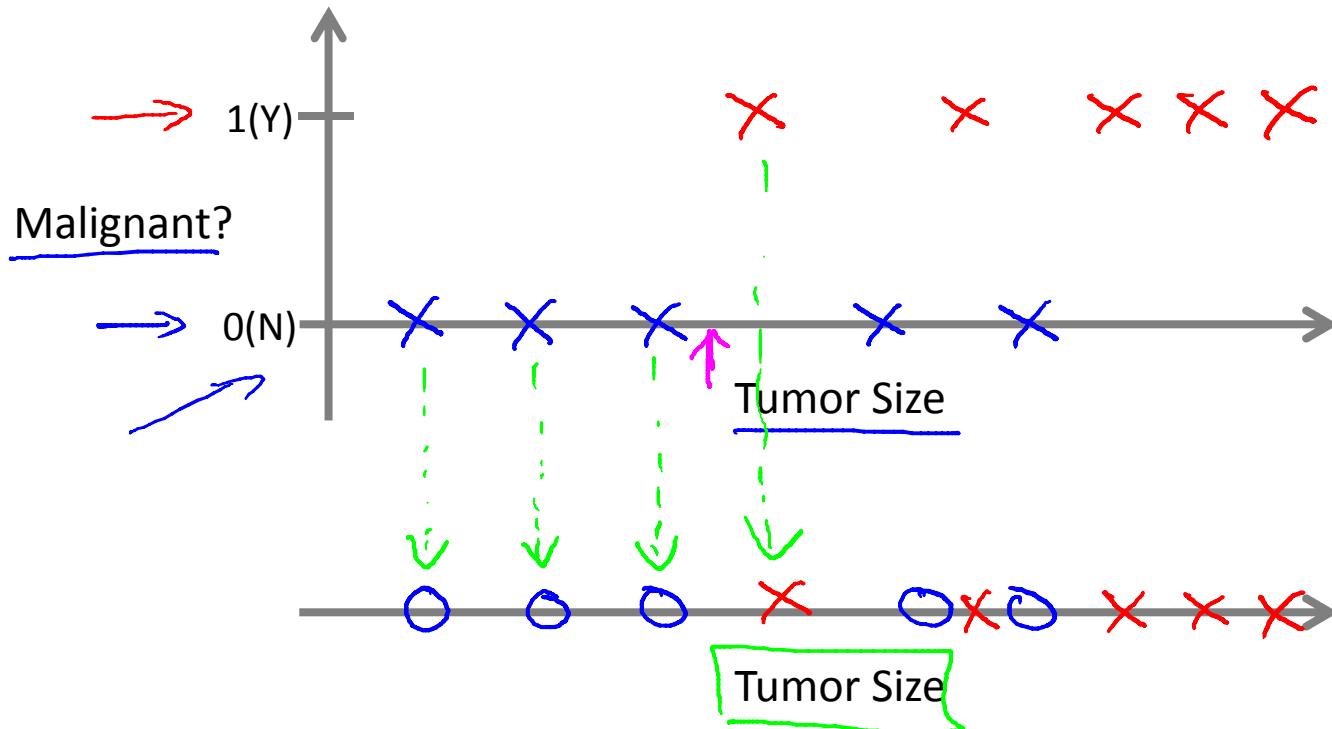


Supervised Learning

'right answers' given

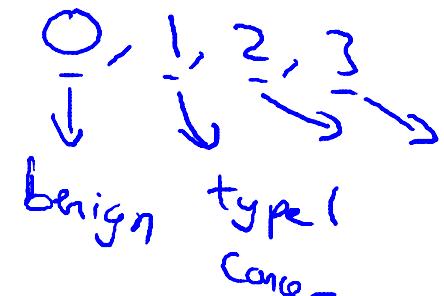
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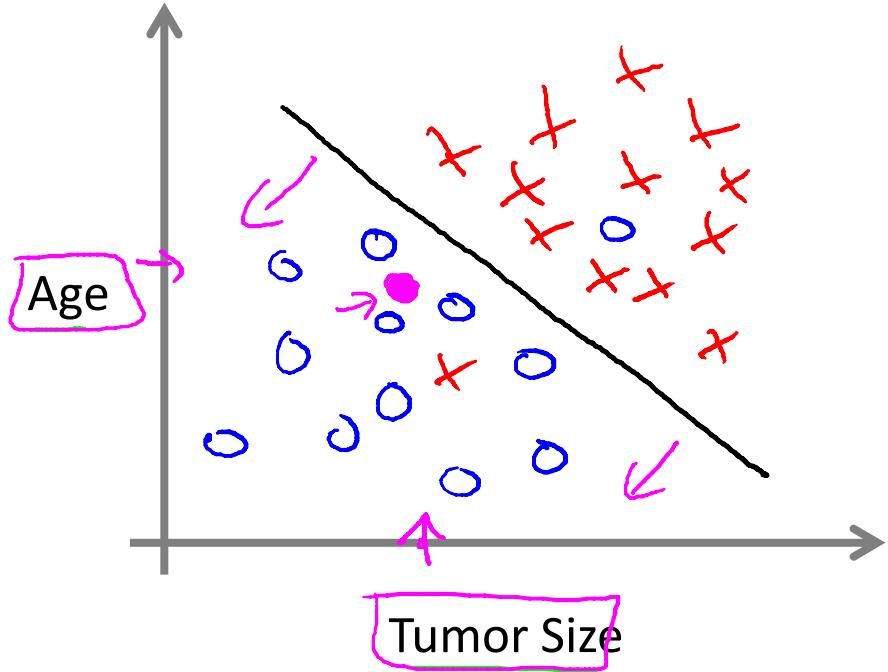
Breast cancer (malignant, benign)



Classification

Discrete valued output (0 or 1)





- Clump Thickness
- Uniformity of Cell Size
- Uniformity of Cell Shape

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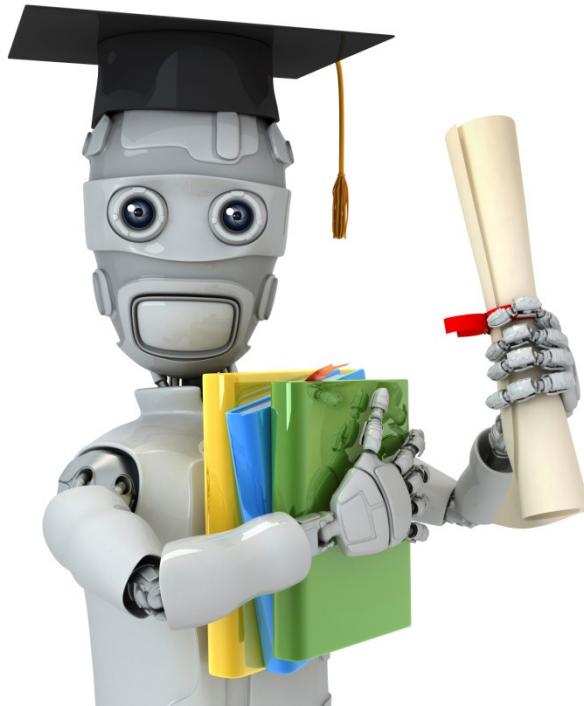
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- Problem 1: You have a large inventory of identical items. You want to predict how many of these items will sell over the next 3 months.
- Problem 2: You'd like software to examine individual customer accounts, and for each account decide if it has been hacked/compromised.

→ 0 - not hacked
→ 1 - hacked

Should you treat these as classification or as regression problems?

- Treat both as classification problems.
- Treat problem 1 as a classification problem, problem 2 as a regression problem.
- Treat problem 1 as a regression problem, problem 2 as a classification problem.
- Treat both as regression problems.

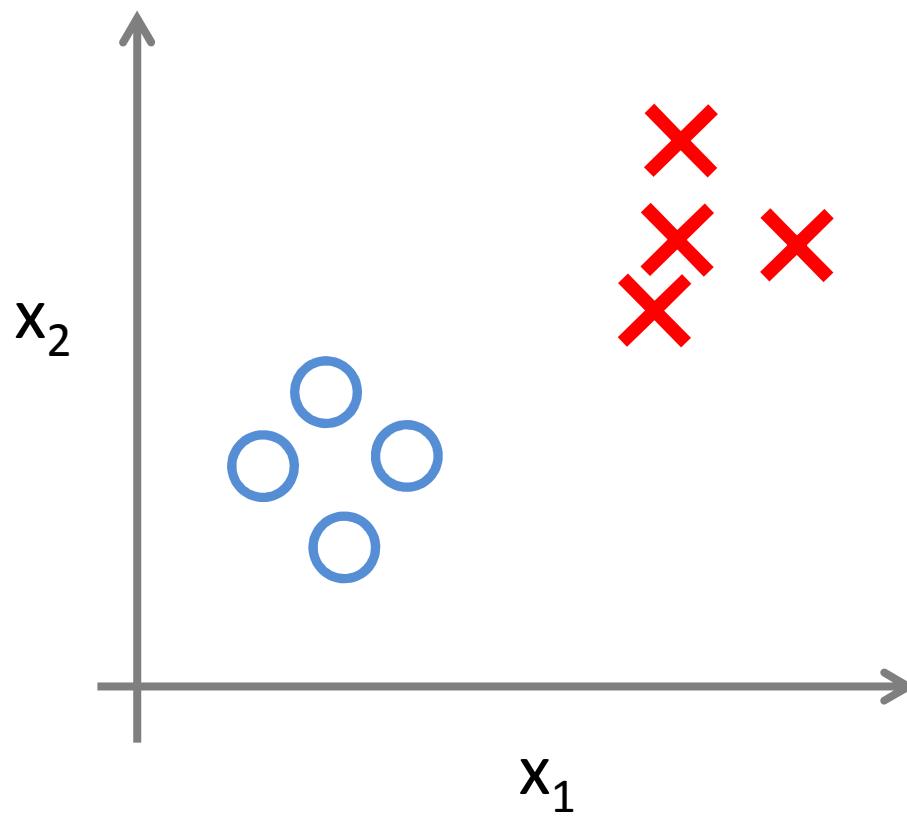


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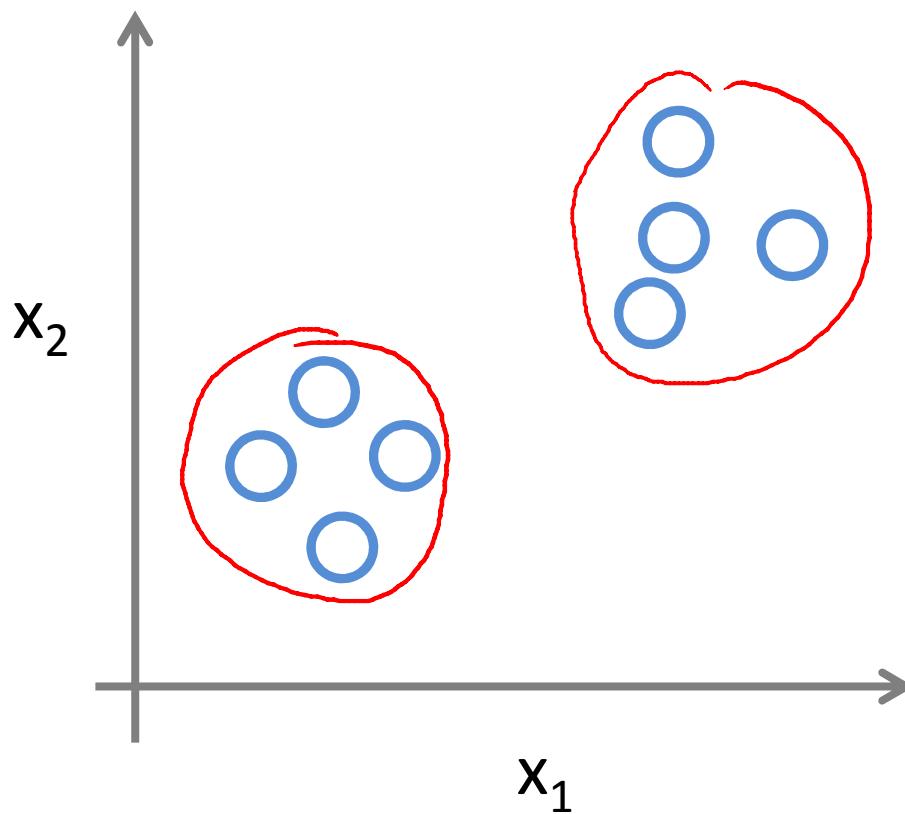
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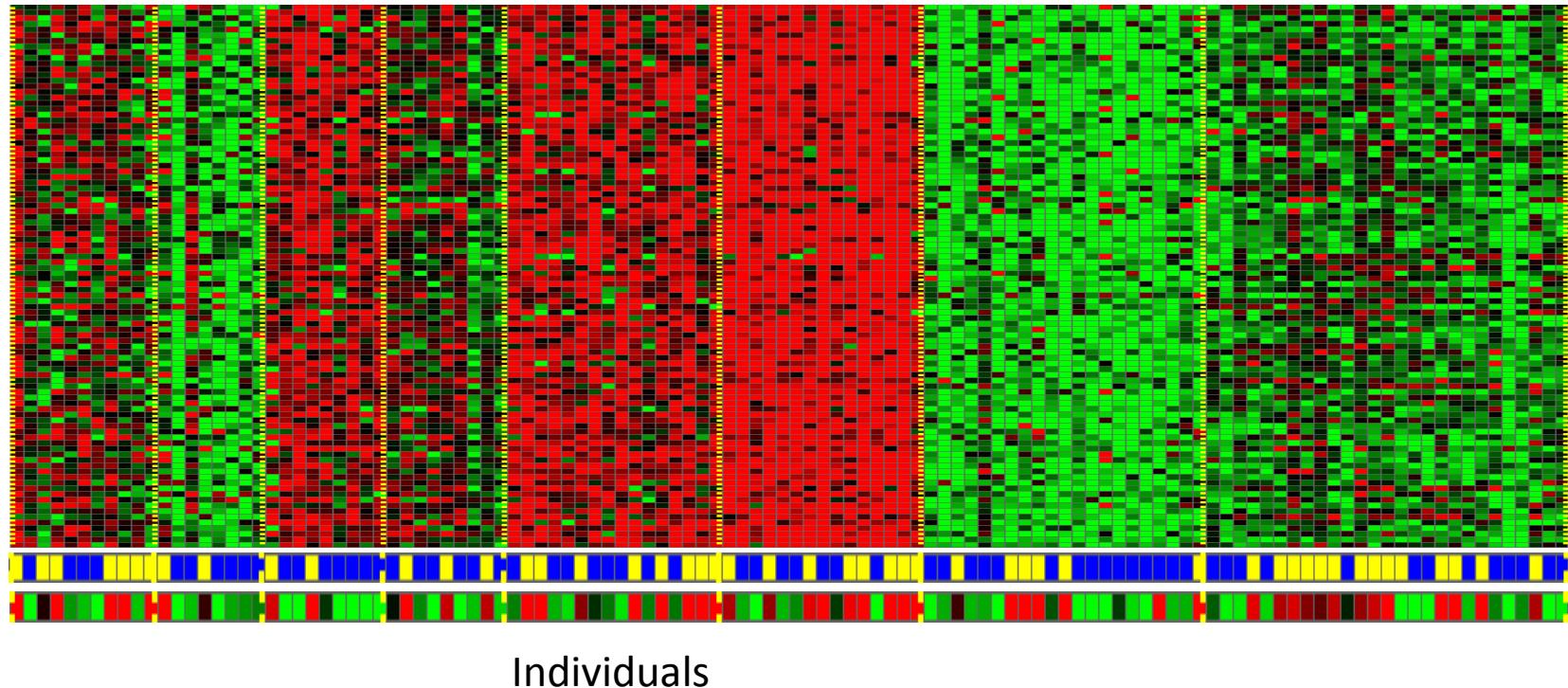
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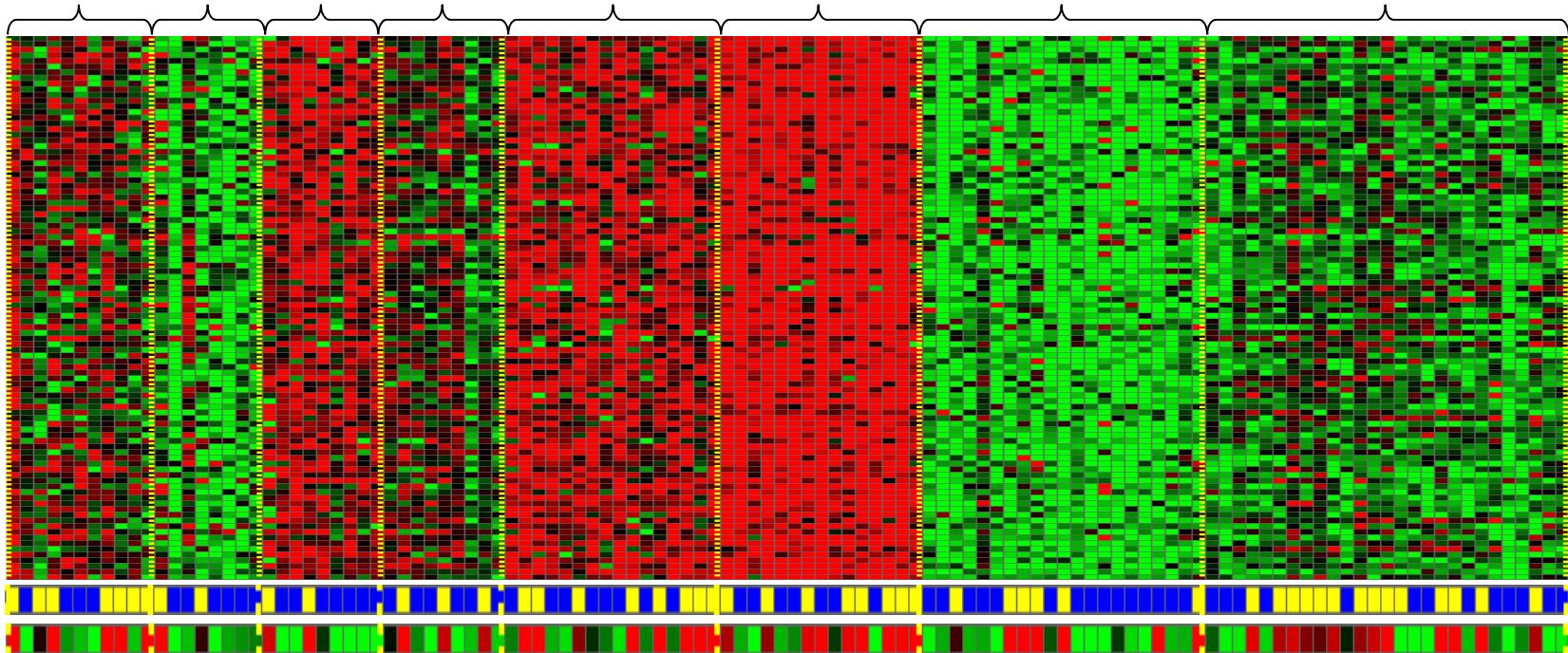
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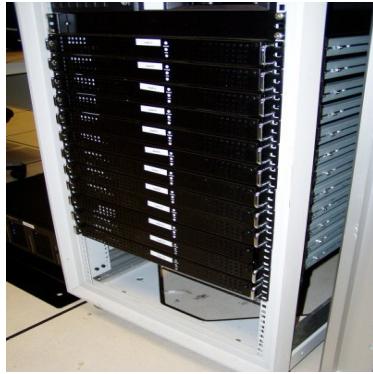
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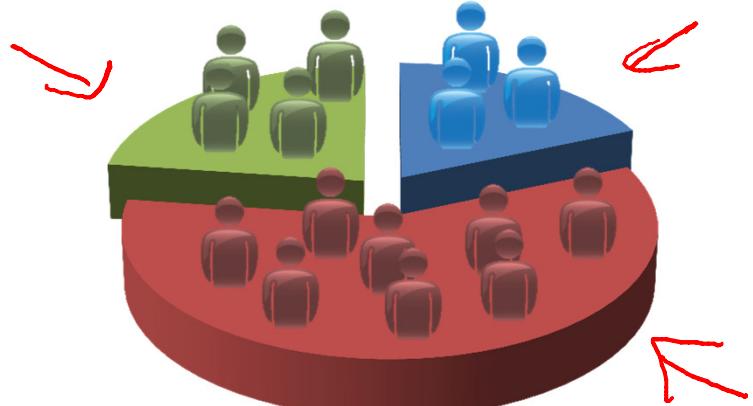
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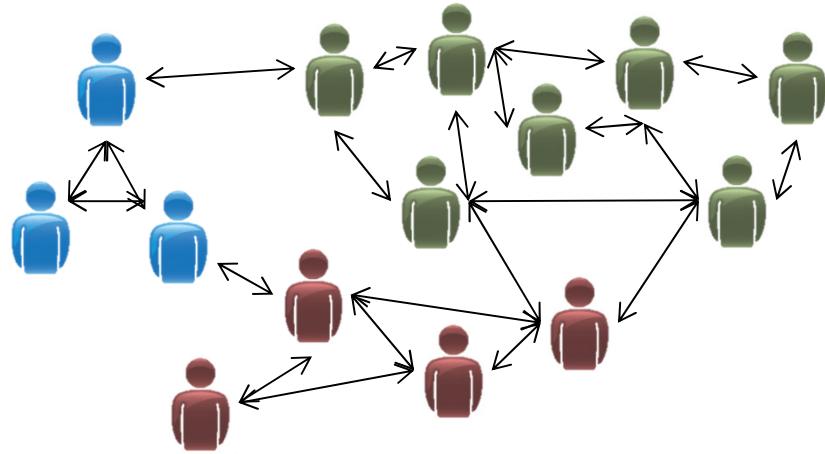
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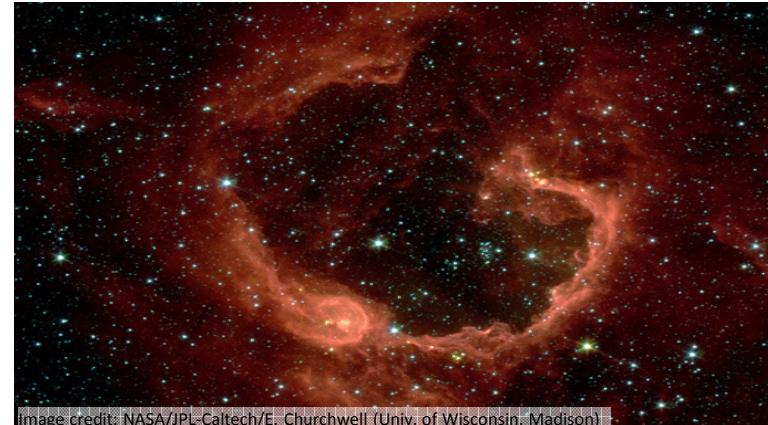
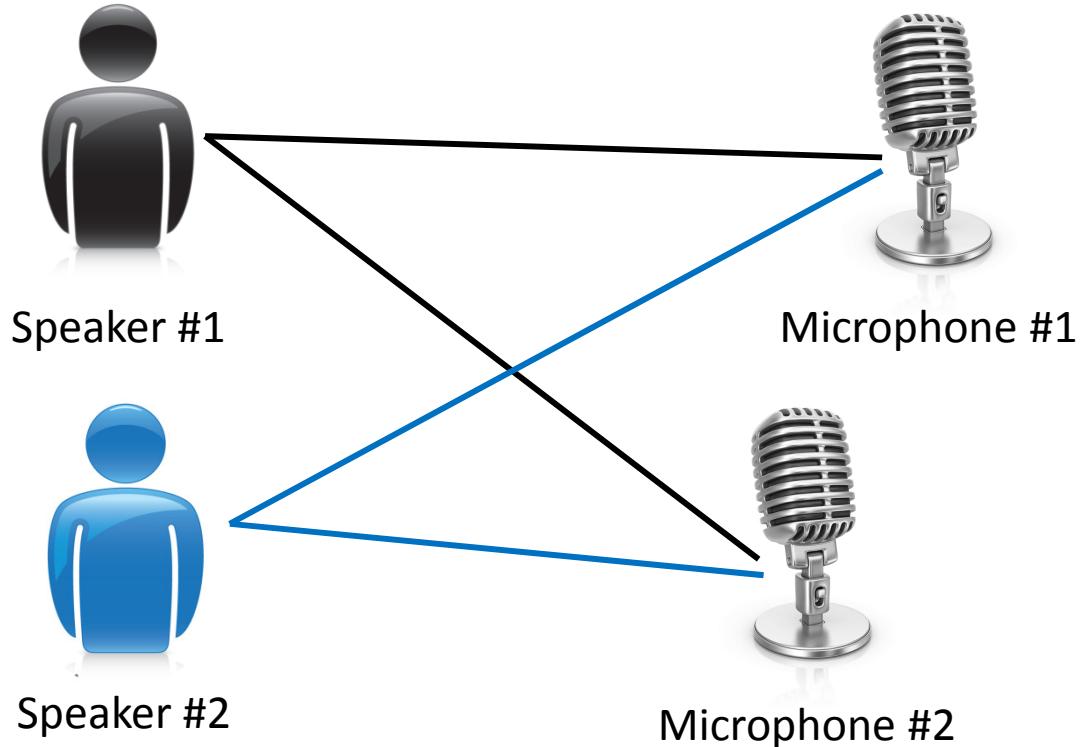


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Astronomical data analysis

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Cocktail party problem



Microphone #1: 

Output #1: 

Microphone #2: 

Output #2: 

Microphone #1: 

Output #1: 

Microphone #2: 

Output #2: 

Cocktail party problem algorithm

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[W,s,v] = svd((repmat(sum(x.*x,1),size(x,1),1).*x)*x');
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Of the following examples, which would you address using an unsupervised learning algorithm? (Check all that apply.)

- Given email labeled as spam/not spam, learn a spam filter.
spam/not spam
- Given a set of news articles found on the web, group them into set of articles about the same story.
- Given a database of customer data, automatically discover market segments and group customers into different market segments.
- Given a dataset of patients diagnosed as either having diabetes or not, learn to classify new patients as having diabetes or not.

