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## Signal processing methods for drift compensation

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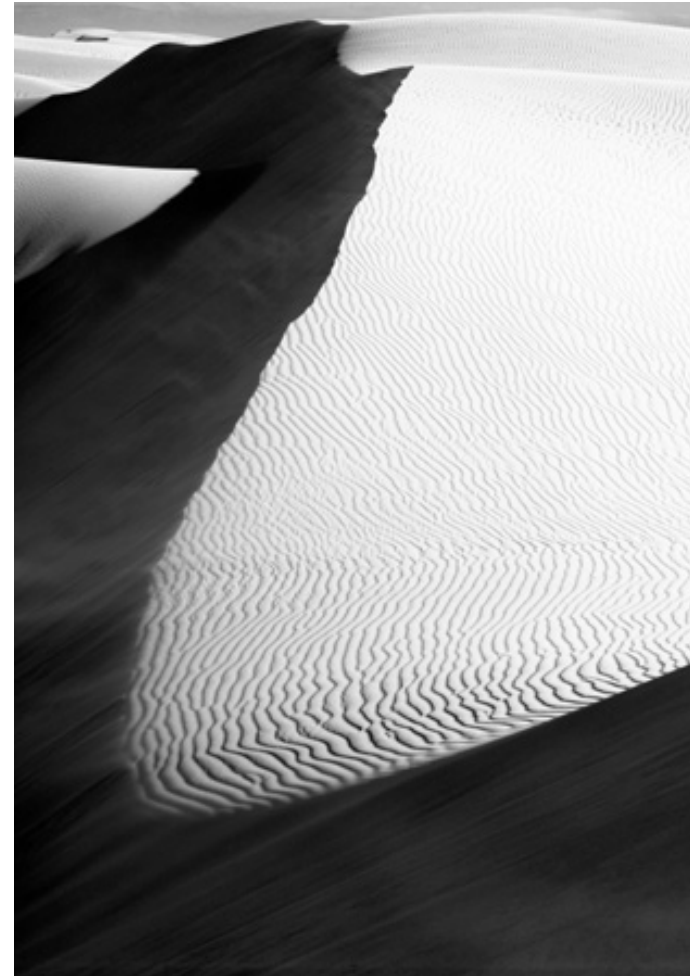
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# What is drift?

"A gradual change in any quantitative characteristic that is supposed to remain constant"

*[Holmberg and Artursson, 2003],  
and references therein*



# Sources of "drift"

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- ❑ True drift
  - Aging (reorganization of sensing layer)
  - Poisoning (irreversible binding)
- ❑ Experimental noise
  - Short-term drift (warm-up, thermal trends)
  - Memory effects (hysteresis, sampling sequence)
  - Environmental (pressure, temp., seasonal)
  - Odor delivery (flow rate, outgass, condensation)
  - Matrix effects (background, humidity)
  - Sample degradation (oxidation, decarbonation)

# Approaches for drift compensation

- ❑ Drift-free sensors
  - Duh!
- ❑ Reference sensors
  - Differential or ratiometric measurements [Choi et al., 1985]
- ❑ Excitation
  - Temperature modulation [Roth et al., 1996]
- ❑ Frequent re-calibration
  - Unavoidable
- ❑ Careful experimental design
  - Avoid systematic errors
- ❑ Feature extraction
  - Transient response analysis [Wilson and DeWeerth, 1995]
- ❑ **Signal processing**
  - **The focus of this tutorial**

# Signal processing for drift compensation

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## □ Univariate

- Compensation applied to each sensor independently
  - Frequency analysis
  - Baseline manipulation
  - Differential measurements (w/ calibrant)
  - Multiplicative correction (w/ calibrant)

## □ Multivariate

- Compensation applied to the response across sensors
  - Adaptive clustering
  - System identification
  - Calibration transfer (w/ calibrant)
  - Orthogonal signal correction and deflation (w/ calibrant)

# Univariate Techniques

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# Frequency analysis

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- ❑ Drift, noise and odor information occur at different time scales [Artursson et al., 2000]
  - Noise = high frequencies
  - Drift = low frequencies
- Perform separation in the frequency domain
  - Filter banks [Davide et al., 1996]
  - Discrete Wavelet Transform
- Drawbacks
  - Requires long-term time series to be collected
  - Time series has "gaps", variable sampling rates



# Baseline manipulation (1)

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## □ Basics

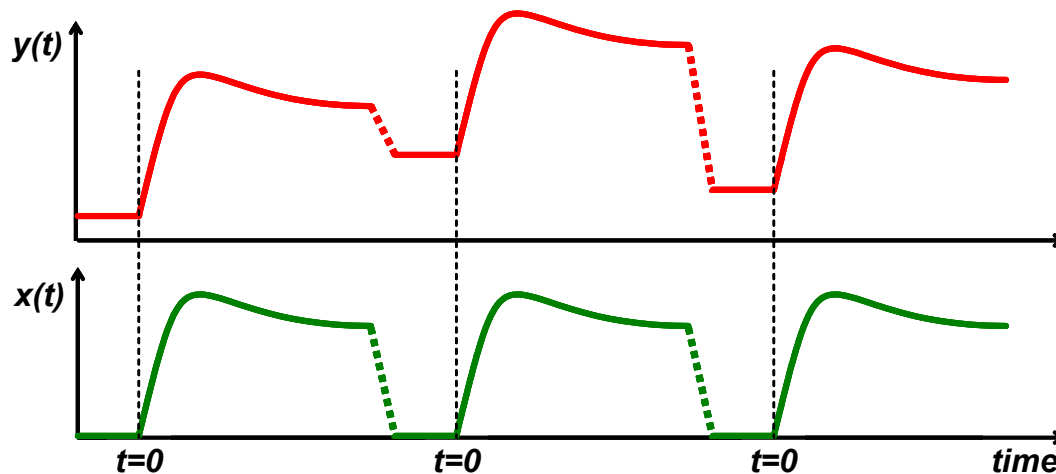
- The simplest form of drift compensation
  - "Remove" the sensor response in the recovery cycle prior to sample delivery
    - Also used for pre-processing [Gardner and Bartlett, 1999]
  - A local technique, processes one "sniff" at a time

# Baseline manipulation (2)

## □ Differential

- Corrects additive  $\delta_A$  or baseline drift

$$\hat{x}_s(t) = \underbrace{y_s(t)}_{\text{measured response}} - y_s(0) = (x_s(t) + \delta_A) - (x_s(0) + \delta_A) = \underbrace{x_s(t)}_{\text{ideal response (w/o drift)}} - x_s(0)$$

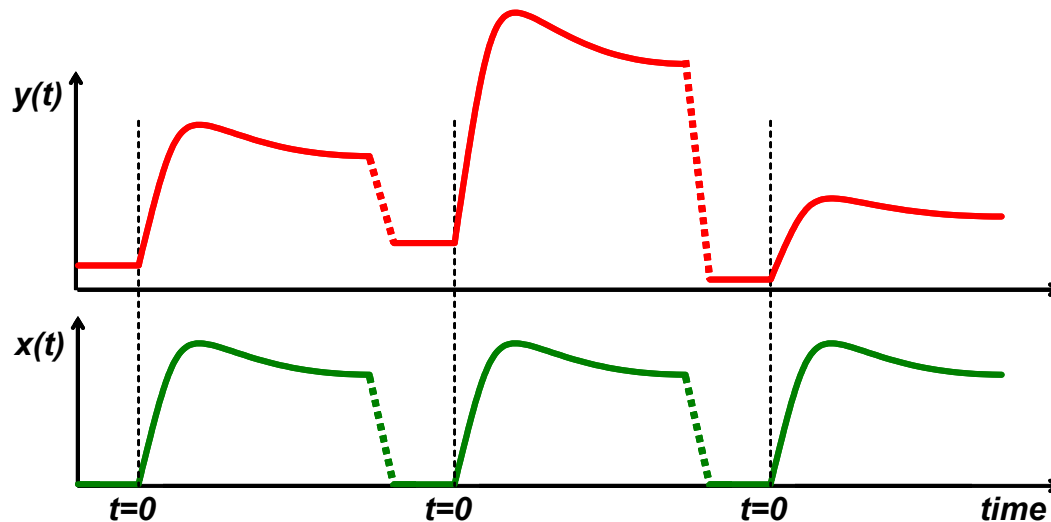


# Baseline manipulation (3)

## □ Relative

- Corrects multiplicative  $(1+\delta_M)$  or sensitivity drift

$$\hat{x}_s(t) = \frac{y_s(t)}{y_s(0)} = \frac{x_s(t)(1+\delta_M)}{x_s(0)(1+\delta_M)} = \frac{x_s(t)}{x_s(0)}$$



# Baseline manipulation (4)

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## □ Fractional

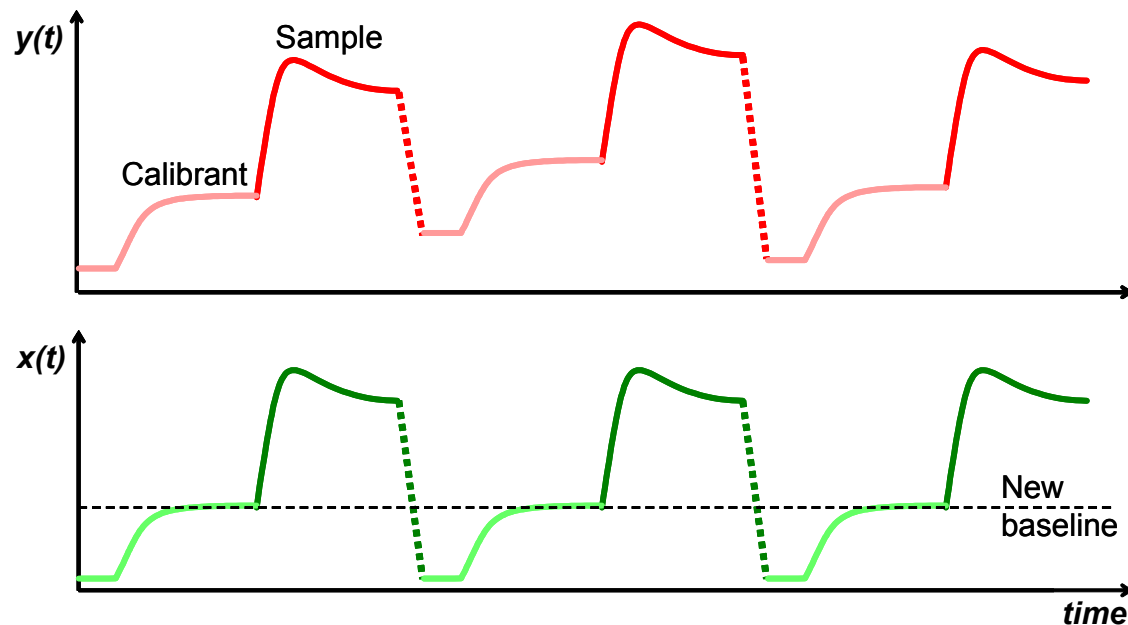
- Percentual change in the sensor response

$$y_s(t) = \frac{x_s(t) - x_s(0)}{x_s(0)}$$

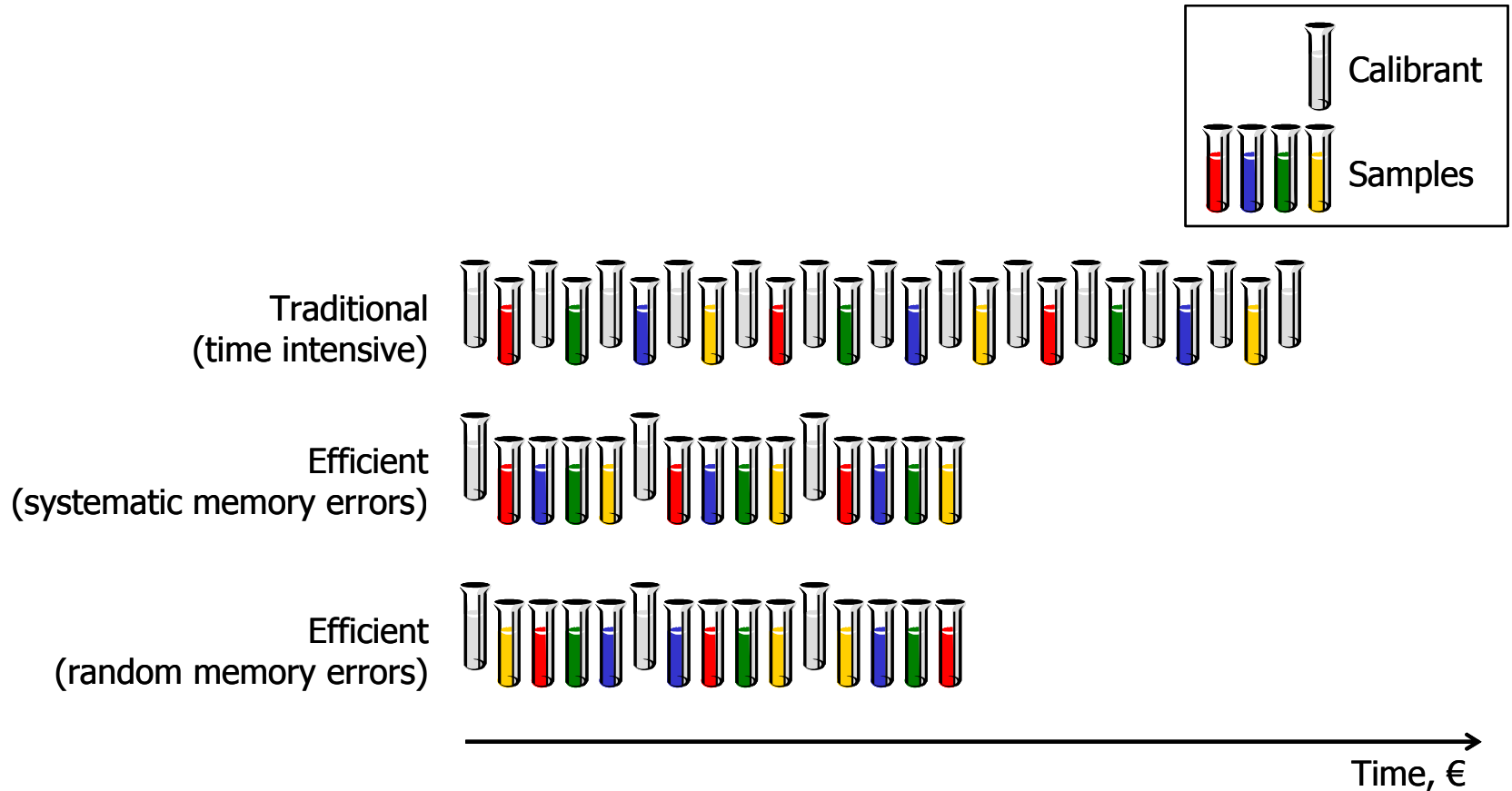
- Properties
  - Yields a dimensionless measurement
  - Normalizes sensor responses, but can amplify noisy channels
  - Fractional conductance shown to be the most suitable method for MOS sensors [Gardner, 1991]

# Reference gas [Fryder et al., 1995]

- Equivalent to diff. BM, except a calibrant is used
  - Calibrant must be chemically stable over time AND highly correlated with samples [Haugen et al., 2000]



# Calibration schedule



*adapted from [Salit and Turk, 1998]*

# Multiplicative correction [Haugen et al., 2000]

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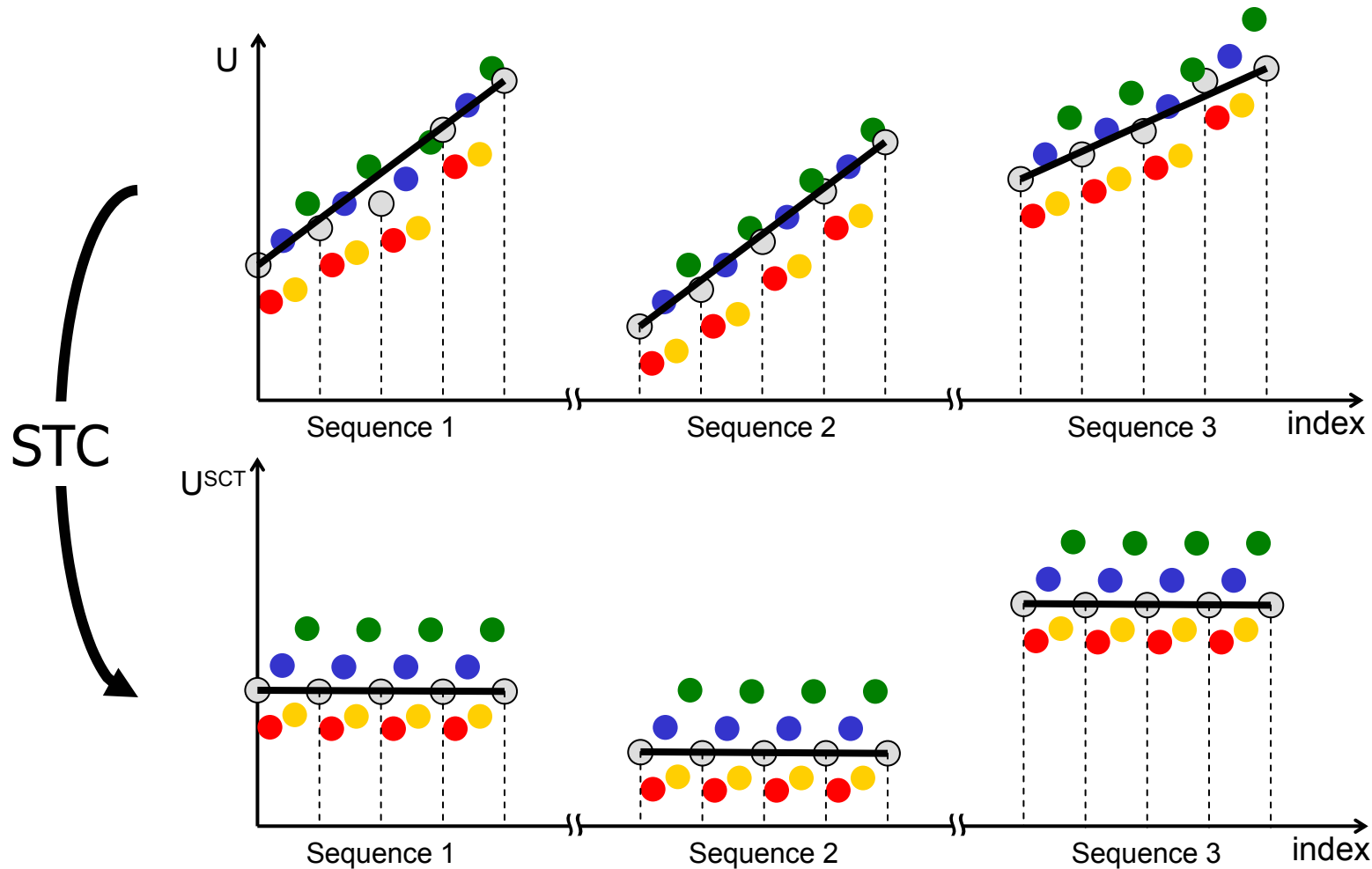
## □ Basic idea

- Model temporal variations in a calibration gas with a multiplicative correction factor
- Apply the same correction to the samples
- Perform this process first on short-term trends, then on long-term fluctuations

## □ Properties

- Heuristic, global technique
- Practical for industrial applications
- Compensates for short- and long-term drift

# Short-term correction (1)





# Short-term correction (2)

- For each sequence
  - Compute a correction factor for each calibration sample

$$q_{n,seq} = \frac{U_{1,seq}^{cal}}{U_{n,seq}^{cal}}$$

- Build regression model for series  $\{q_{1,seq}, q_{6,seq}, q_{11,seq}, \dots\}$

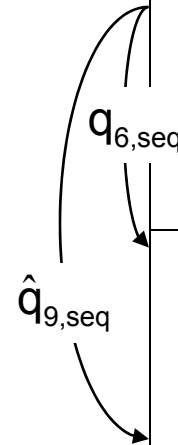
$$\hat{q}_{n,seq} = ax_n + b$$

$$\text{with } x_n = \text{mod}(n, N_{sam} + 1)$$

- Correct all samples

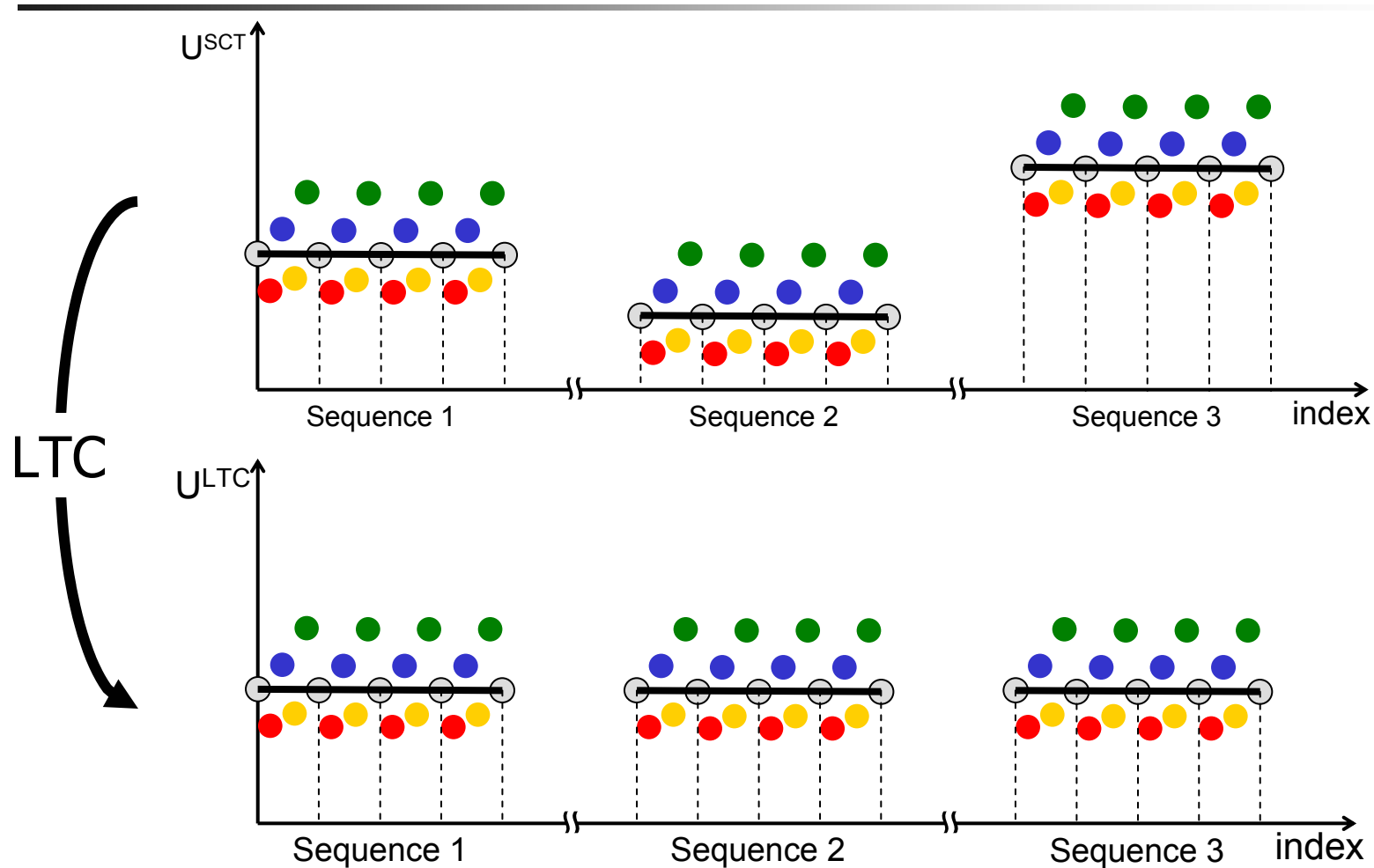
$$U_{n,seq}^{STC} = U_{n,seq} \hat{q}_{n,seq}$$

Name	Class	Index	$x_n$
$U_1^{cal}$	Calibration	1	0
$U_2$	Sample	2	0
$U_3$	Sample	3	0
$U_4$	Sample	4	0
$U_5$	Sample	5	0
$U_6^{cal}$	Calibration	6	1
$U_7$	Sample	7	1
$U_8$	Sample	8	1
$U_9$	Sample	9	1
$U_{10}$	Sample	10	1
$U_{11}^{cal}$	Calibration	11	2
$U_{12}$	Sample	12	2
$U_{13}$	Sample	13	2
$U_{14}$	Sample	14	2
$U_{15}$	Sample	15	2
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(seq subindex omitted for clarity)

# Long-term correction (1)



# Long-term correction (2)

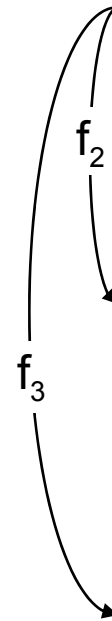
- For each sequence
  - Compute a correction factor for the first calibration sample

$$f_{\text{seq}} = \frac{U_{1,1}^{\text{cal}}}{U_{1,\text{seq}}^{\text{cal}}}$$

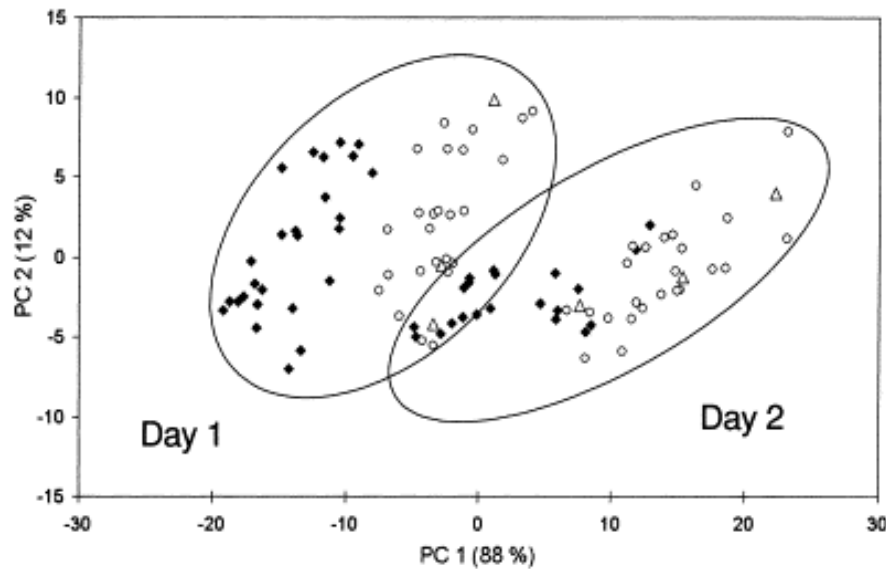
- Correct all samples

$$U_{n,\text{seq}}^{\text{LTC}} = \underbrace{U_{n,\text{seq}} \hat{q}_{n,\text{seq}}}_{U_{n,\text{seq}}^{\text{STC}}} f_{\text{seq}}$$

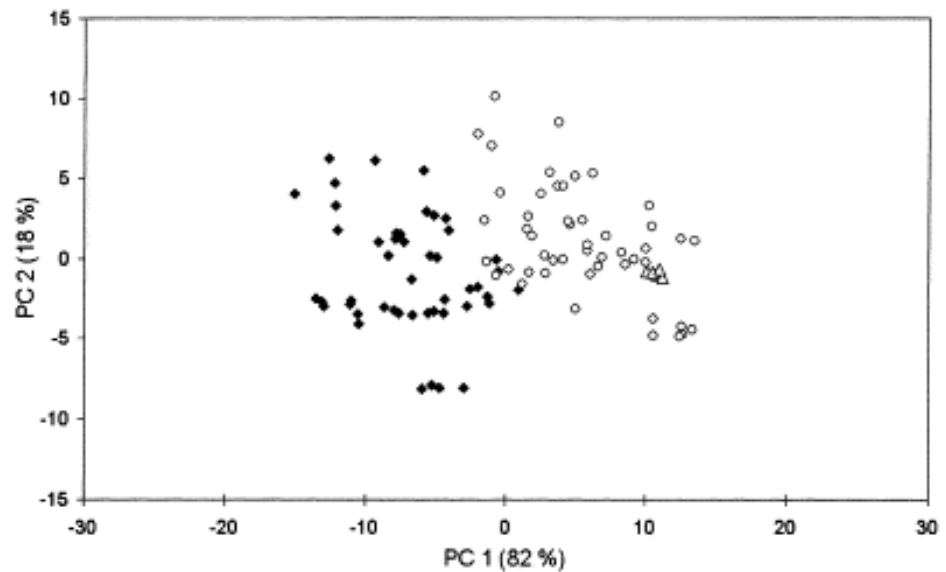
Name	Class	Index	$x_n$	Seq
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$U_{2,1}$	Sample	2	0	1
$U_{3,1}$	Sample	3	0	1
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$U_{6,1}^{\text{cal}}$	Calibration	6	1	1
$U_{7,1}$	Sample	7	1	1
$U_{8,1}$	Sample	8	1	1
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$U_{1,2}^{\text{cal}}$	Calibration	1	0	2
$U_{2,2}$	Sample	2	0	2
$U_{3,2}$	Sample	3	0	2
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$U_{6,2}^{\text{cal}}$	Calibration	6	1	2
$U_{7,2}$	Sample	7	1	2
$U_{8,2}$	Sample	8	1	2
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$U_{1,3}^{\text{cal}}$	Calibration	1	0	3
$U_{2,3}$	Sample	2	0	3
$U_{3,3}$	Sample	3	0	3
...				3
$U_{6,3}^{\text{cal}}$	Calibration	6	1	3
$U_{7,3}$	Sample	7	1	3
$U_{8,3}$	Sample	8	1	3
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# Performance of multiplicative correction



*PCA plot of uncorrected milk samples measured over 2 days: pasteurized milk (○), oxidized pasteurized milk (◆), calibration samples (△).*



*PCA plot of drift corrected milk samples measured over 2 days: reference milk (○), oxidized milk (◆), calibration samples (△).*

*from [Haugen et al., 2000]*

# Multivariate Techniques

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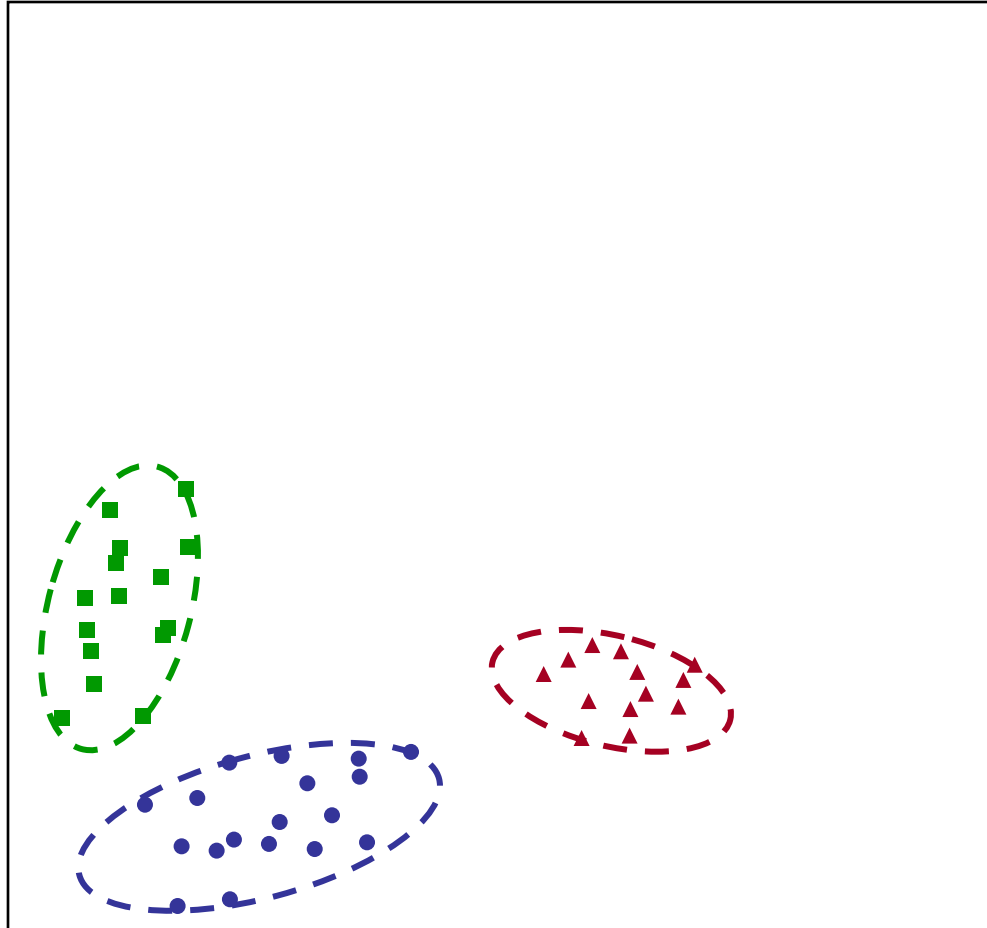
# Adaptive clustering

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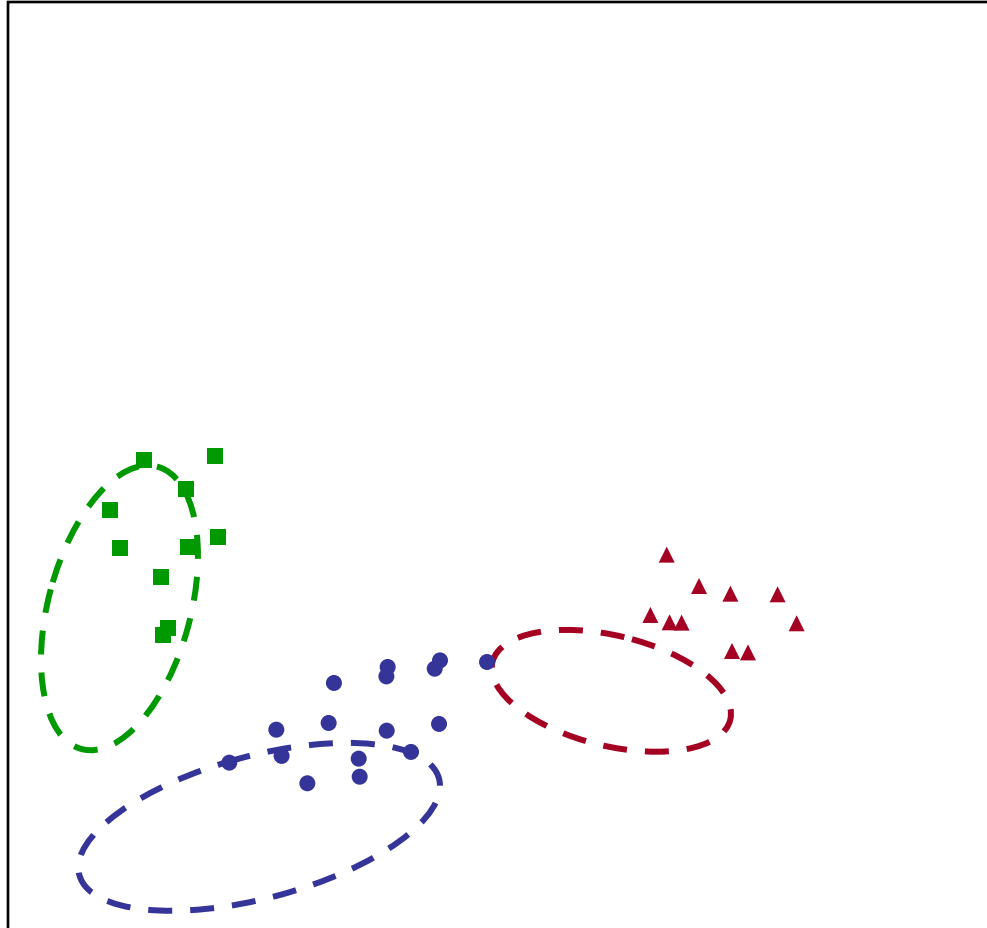
## □ Basic idea

- Model the distribution of examples with a codebook
- Assign an incoming (unknown) sample to the "closest" class
- Adapt class parameters to incorporate information from the newly classified example

# Adaptive clustering (1)

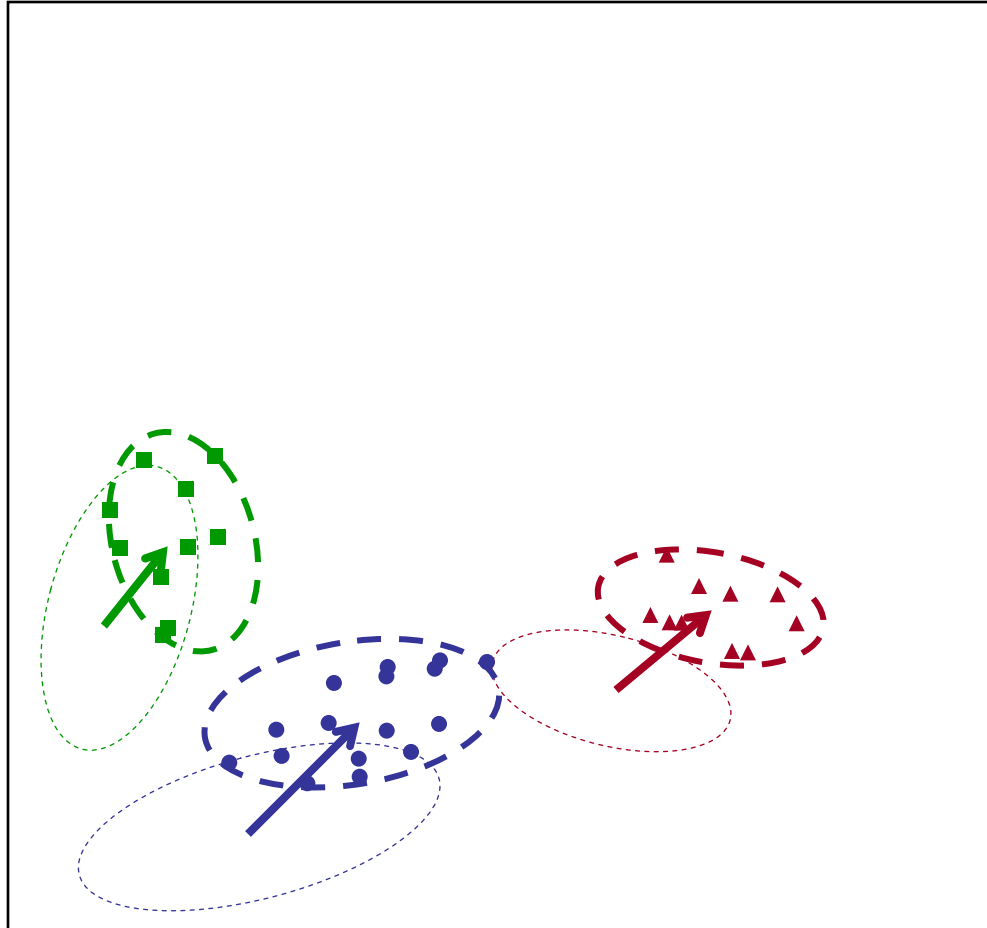


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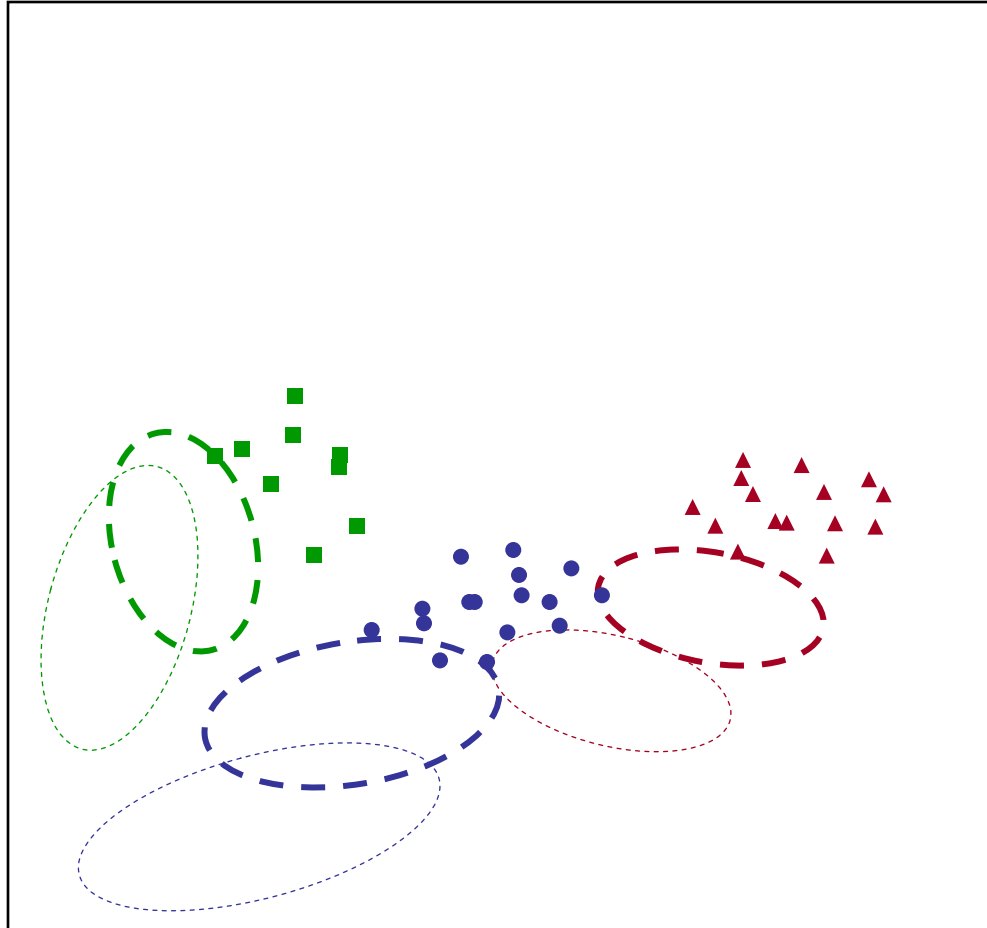




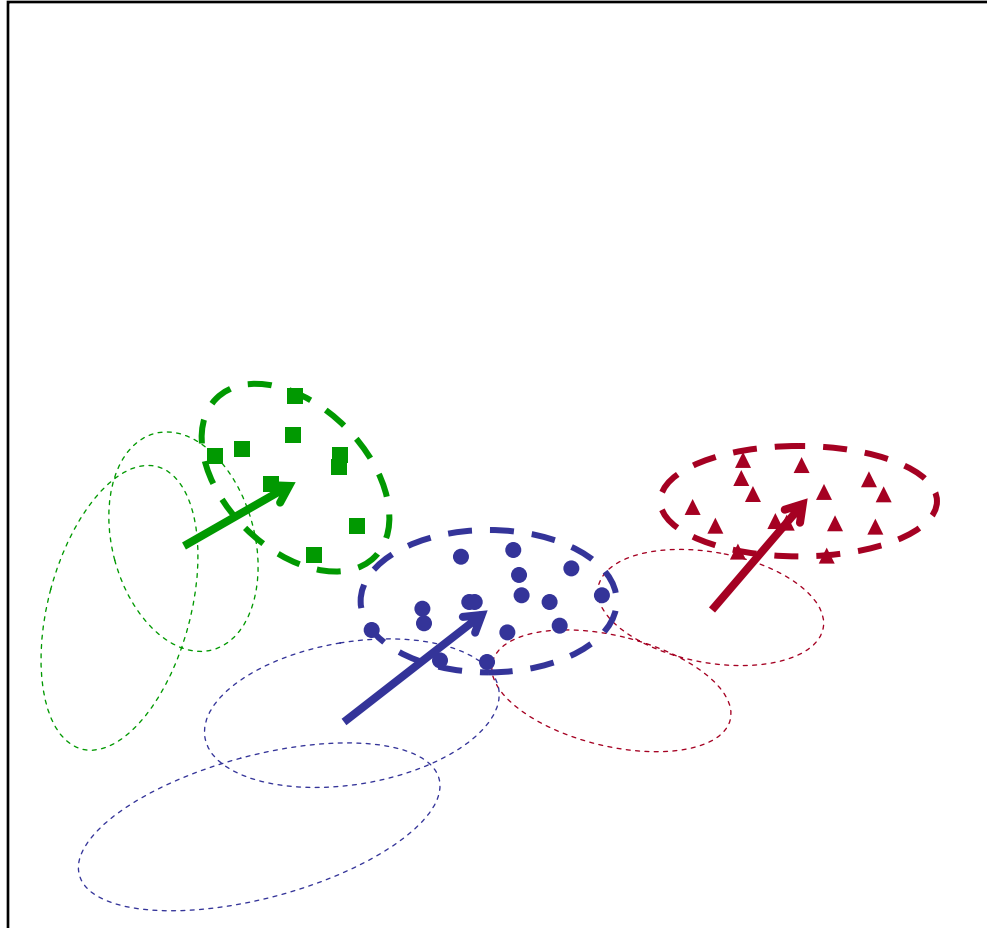
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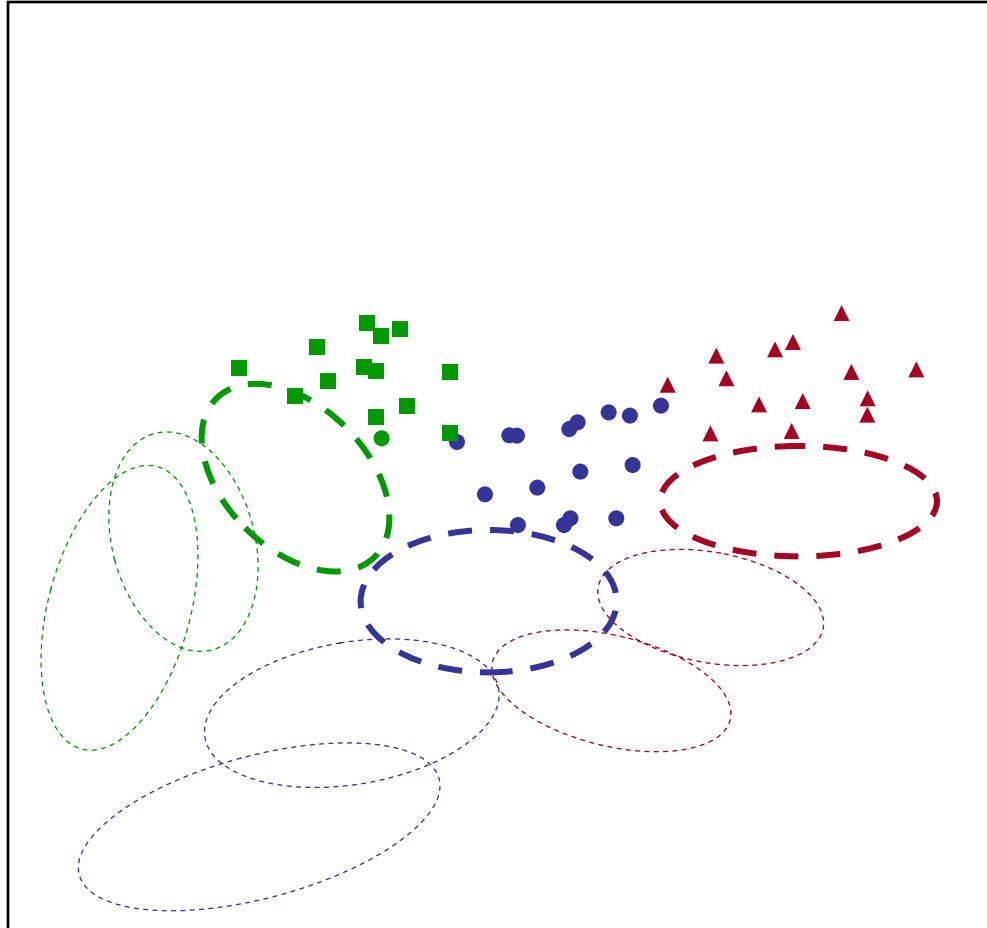
# Adaptive clustering (4)



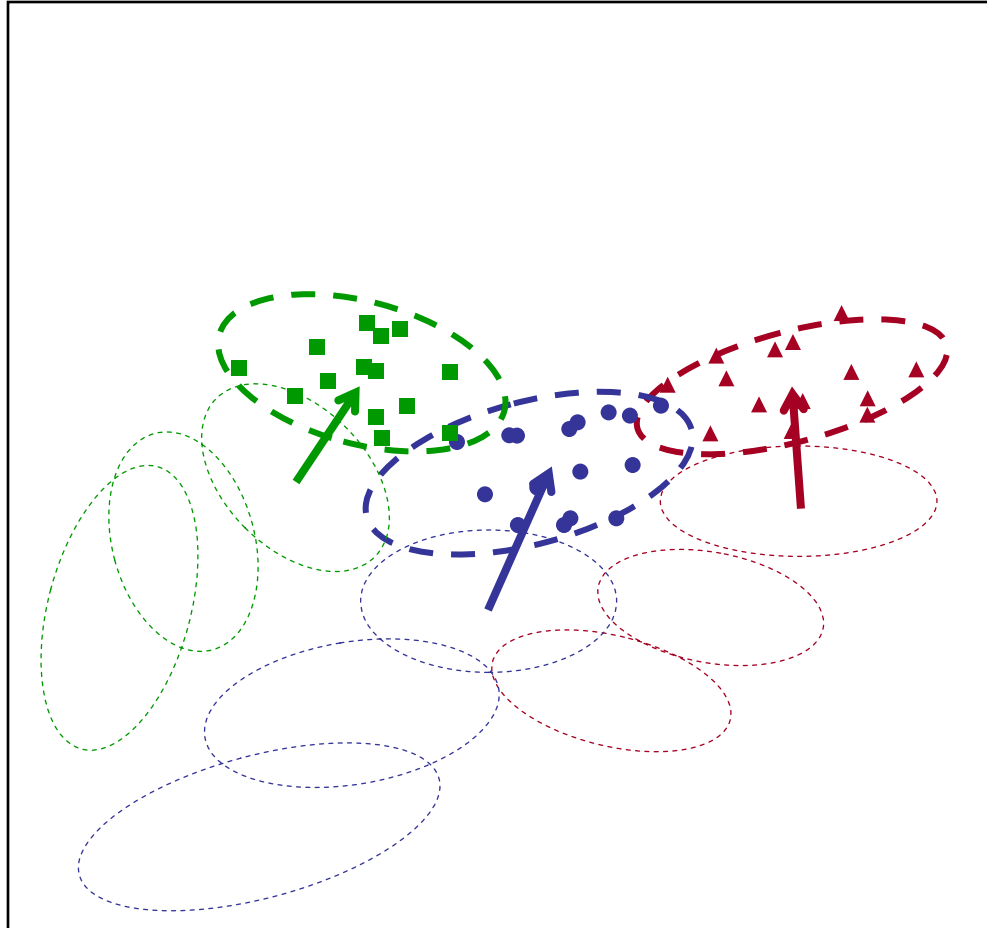
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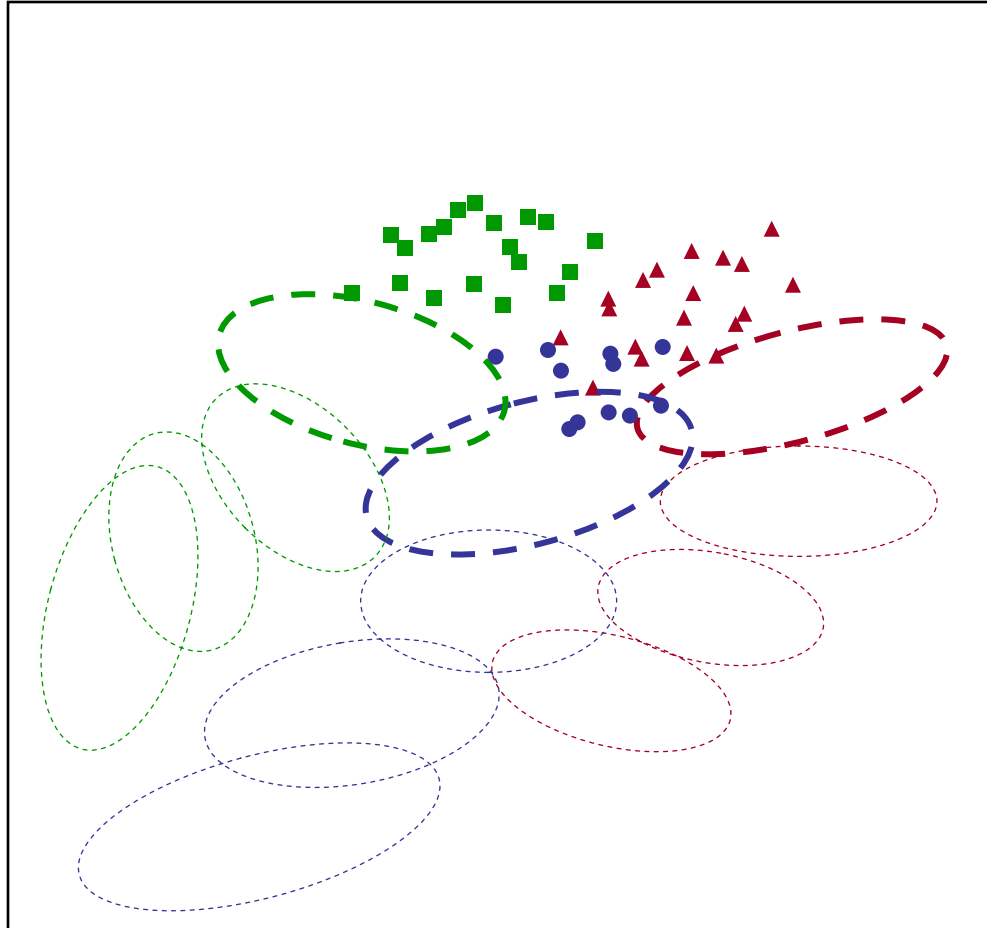
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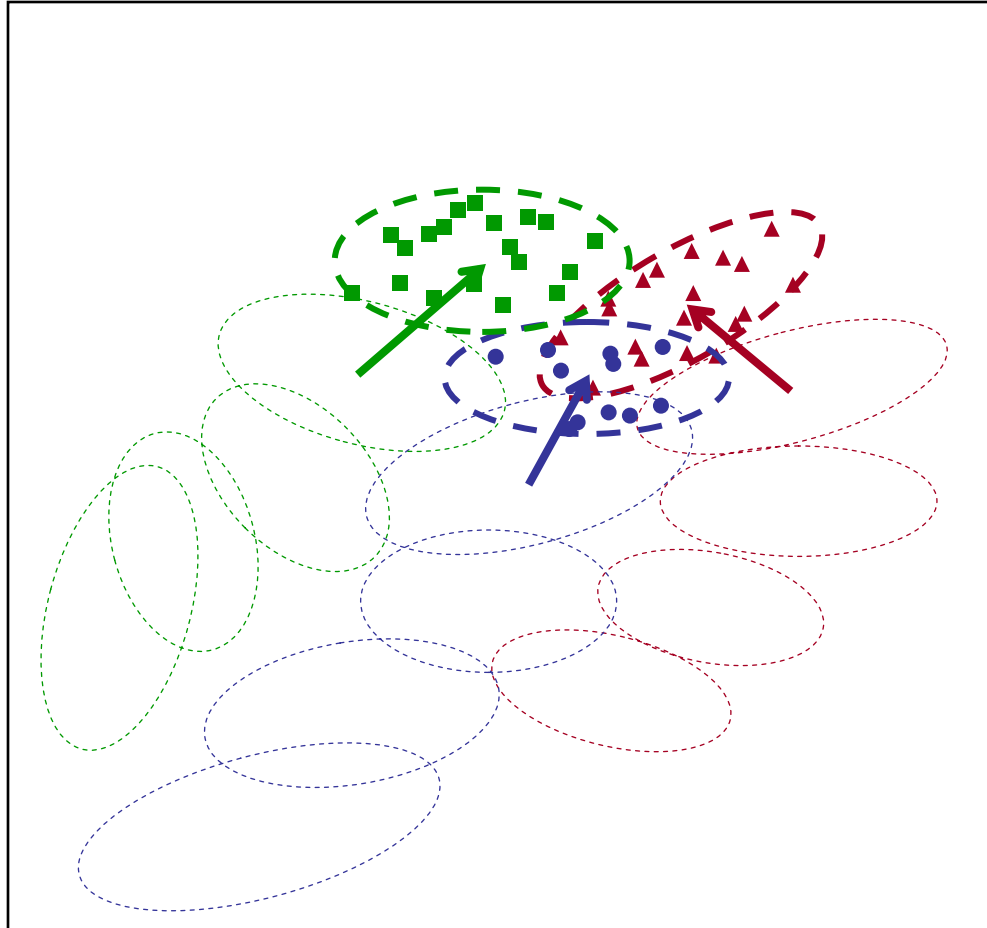
# Adaptive clustering (7)



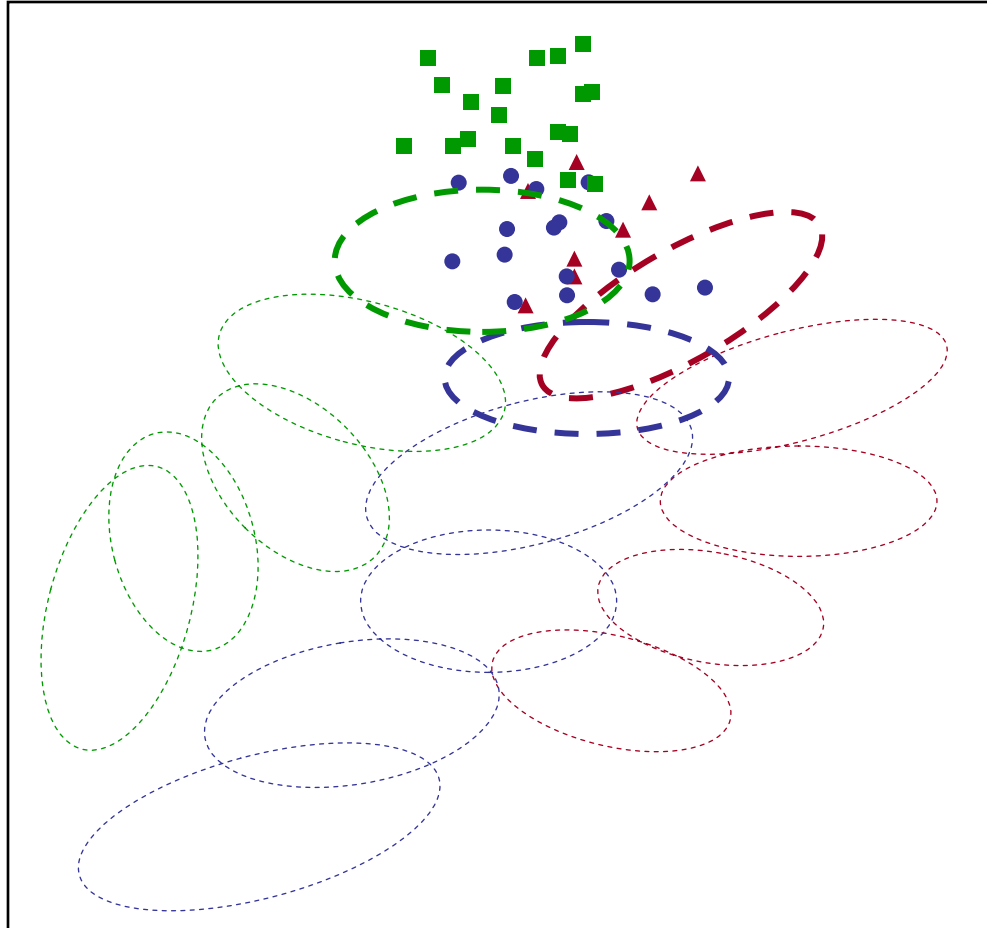
# Adaptive clustering (8)



# Adaptive clustering (9)

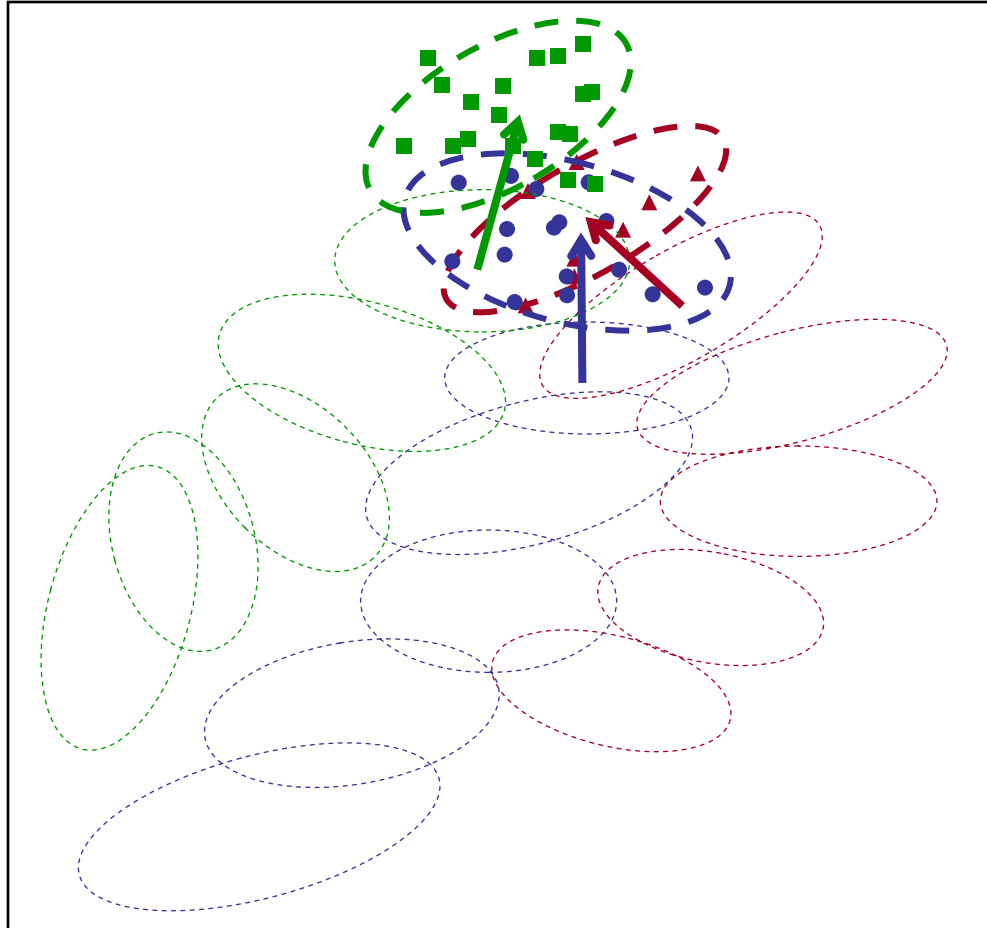


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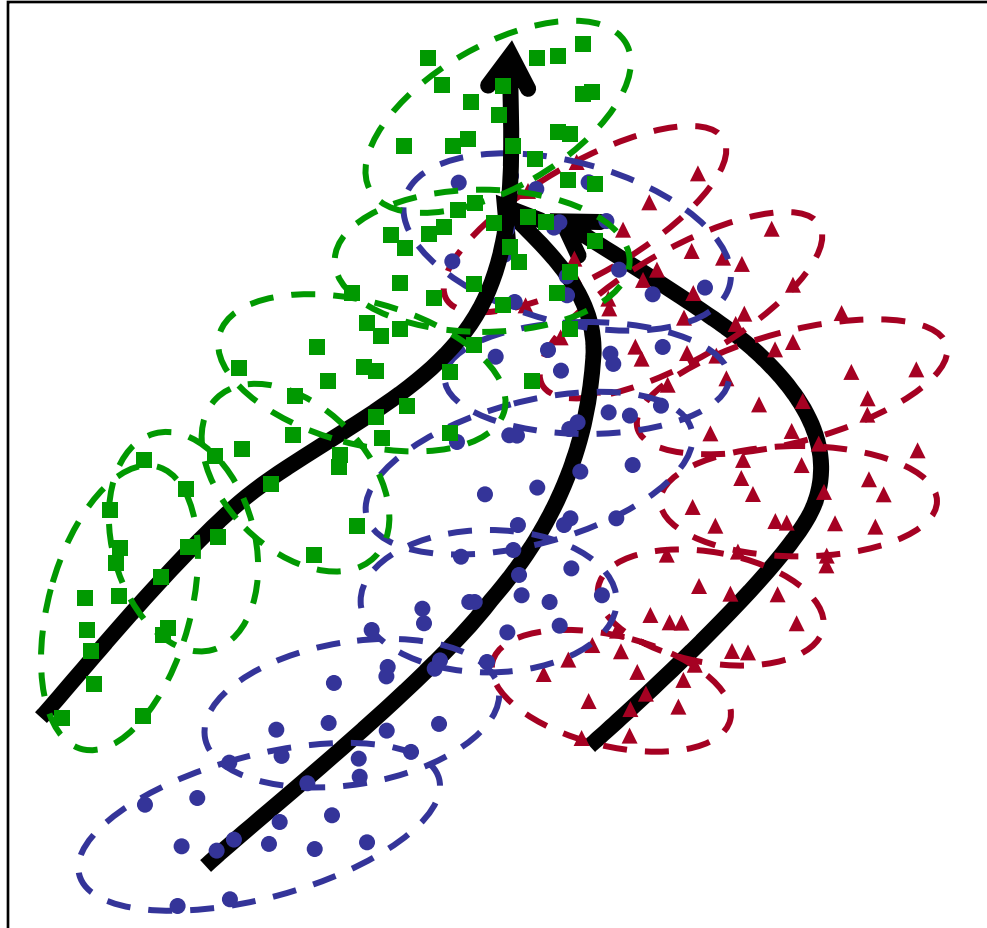




# Adaptive clustering (11)



# Adaptive clustering (12)



# Adaptive clustering methods

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- ❑ Mean updating
  - One cluster center per class [Holmberg et al., 1996]
- ❑ Kohonen self-organizing maps
  - One SOM common to all classes [Davide et al., 1994; Marco et al., 1997]
  - A separate SOM for each class [Distante et al., 2002]
- ❑ Adaptive Resonance Theory
  - ART is slightly different; new clusters can be created [Gardner et al., 1996]

# Adaptive clustering: discussion

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- ❑ Algorithm relies on correct classification
  - Miss-classifications will eventually cause the model to lose track of the class patterns
- ❑ All odors need to be sampled frequently to prevent their patterns to drift too far
  
- ❑ This problem has also been addressed in the machine learning literature
  - see [Freund and Mansour, 1997] and refs. therein

# System identification [Holmberg et al., 1996]

## □ Basic idea

- Chemical sensor responses co-vary over time
  - This "**common-mode**" behavior can be modeled with a dynamic model (e.g., ARMAX)

$$\sum_{n=0}^{|A|} a_n \underbrace{y_s(k-n)}_{\text{sensor } s} = \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ i \neq s}}^{|S|} \sum_{n=0}^{|B|} b_{in} \underbrace{y_i(k-n)}_{\text{all other sensors}} + \sum_{n=0}^{|C|} c_n \underbrace{e(k-n)}_{\text{white noise}}$$

- where  $y_s(k)$  is the response of sensor 's' at time k, and  $y_i(k)$  is the response from *all other* sensors
- Model parameters  $\{A, B, C\}$  may be adapted over time with a recursive least-squares procedure [Holmberg et al., 1997]

# System identification: classification

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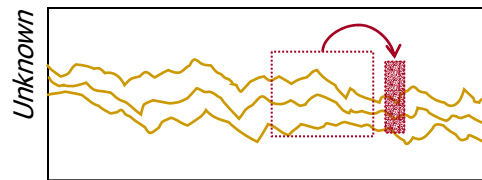
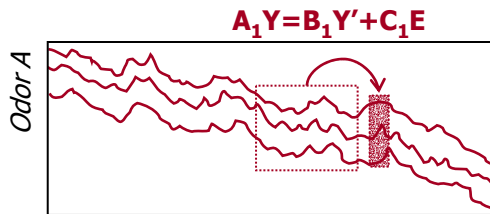
- ❑ Each odor/sensor pair has a unique dynamic behavior that can be used as a fingerprint
  - Build a dynamic model for each sensor/odor
  - When an unknown odor is presented, predict its behavior of each sensor with each of the models
    - The method requires that multiple (consecutive) samples of the unknown odor be collected
  - The model with lowest prediction error corresponds to the true odor

# System identification: illustration

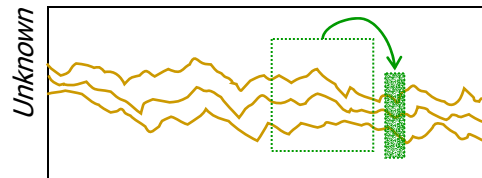
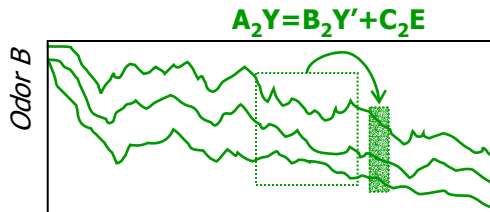
MODEL DYNAMIC BEHAVIOR  
FOR EACH ODOR/SENSOR

→ APPLY EACH O/S MODEL  
TO UNKNOWN SAMPLE

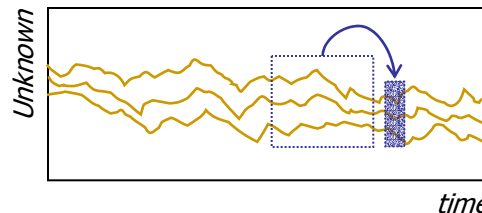
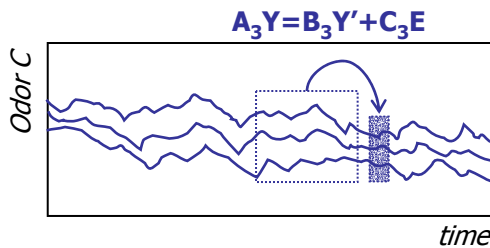
→ CHOOSE ODOR MODEL  
WITH LOWEST ERROR



ERROR 1



ERROR 2



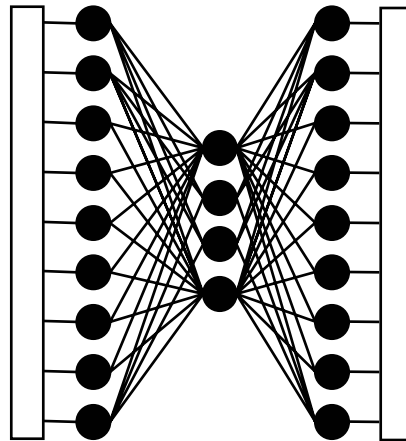
**ERROR 3**

# Calibration transfer

- Learn a regression mapping (e.g., MLPs, PLS) from drifting calibrant samples onto a baseline  $t_0$ 
  - MLPs for PyMS [Goodacre and Kell, 1996]
  - PLS for e-noses [Tomic et al., 2002]
  - MLPs for e-noses [Balaban et al., 2000]

**Training phase:**  
*Drifting calibrant samples  
at times  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_N$*

**Recall phase:**  
*Drifting odor samples  
at times  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_N$*



**Training phase:**  
*Baseline calibrant sample  
at time  $t_0$*

**Recall phase:**  
*Corrected odor samples  
at times  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_N$*



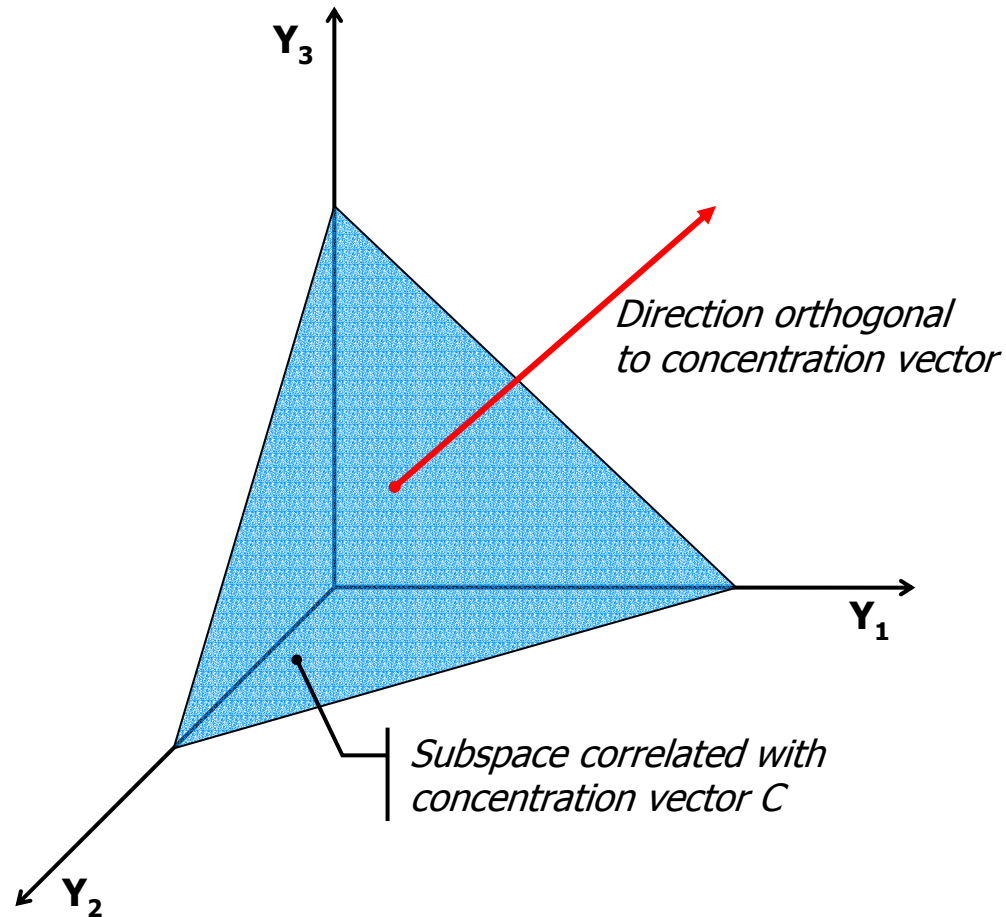
# Orthogonal signal correction [Wold et al., 1998]

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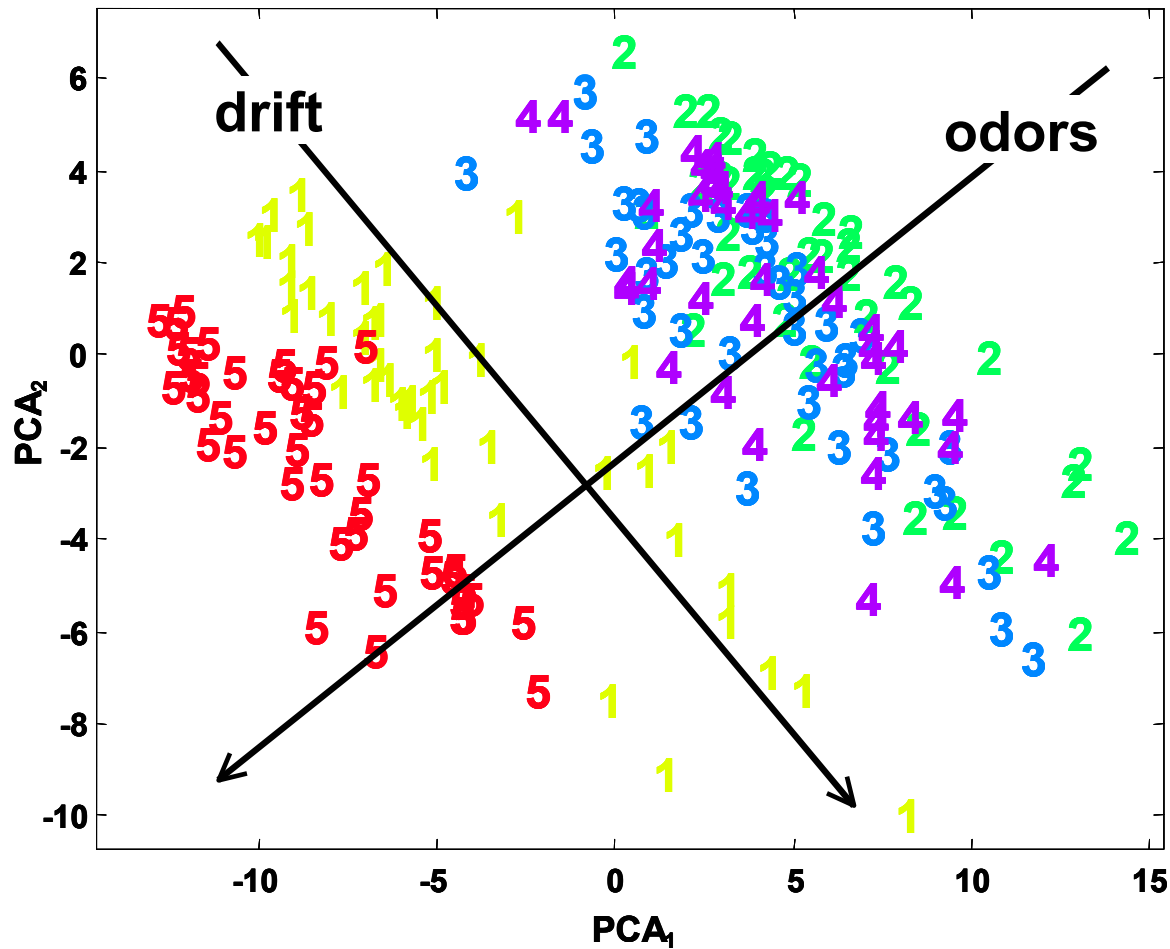
## □ Basic idea

- Assume dataset matrices
  - Y: sensor-array data (independent variables)
  - C: concentration vector or class label (dependent)
- Subtract from Y factors that account for as much of the variance in Y as possible AND are orthogonal to C

# Orthogonal signal correction: intuition



# Orthogonal signal correction: an example



# Component correction [Artursson et al., 2000]

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## □ Basic idea

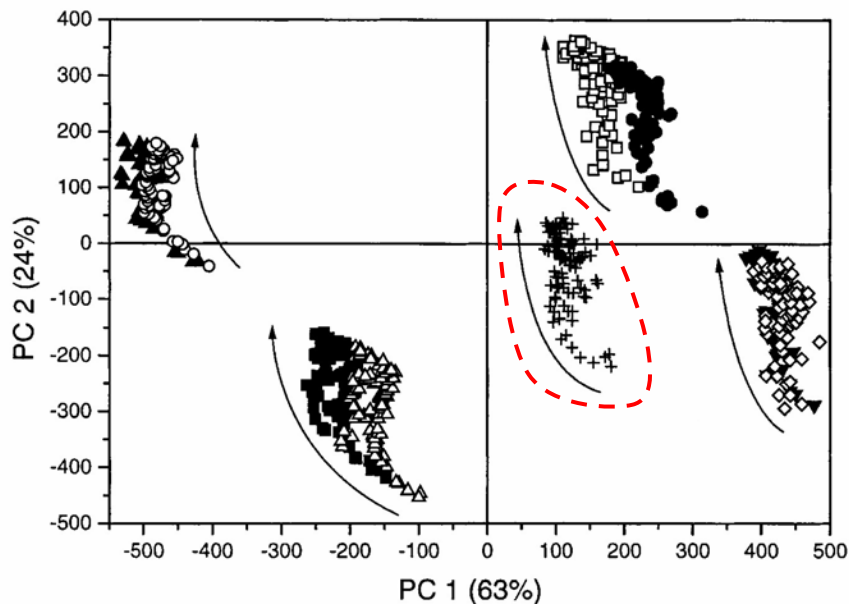
- Drift is associated with the principal components of variance in a calibration gas
- These directions are removed from the multivariate sensor response by means of a bilinear transformation

## □ Algorithm

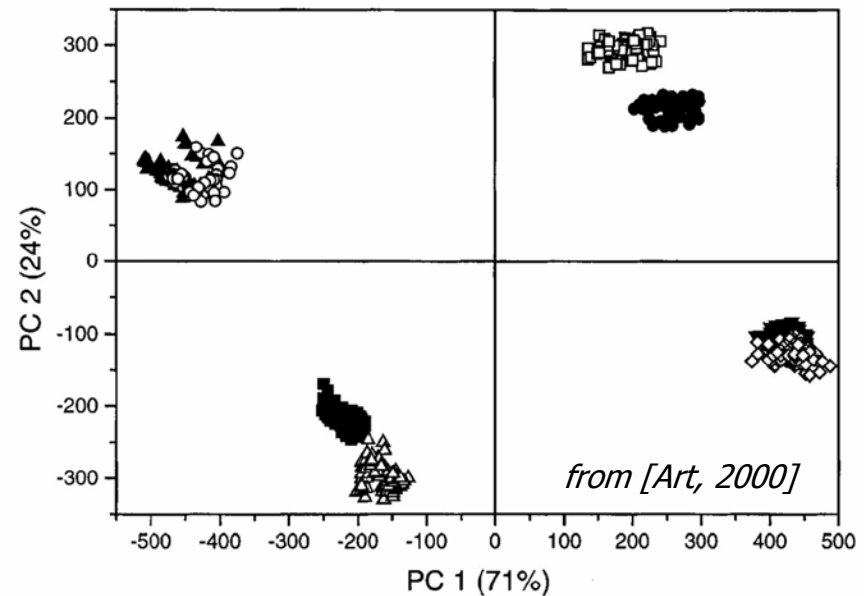
$$\mathbf{x}_{\text{corrected}} = \mathbf{x} - (\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{v}_{\text{cal}}) \mathbf{v}_{\text{cal}}^T$$

- where  $\mathbf{v}_{\text{cal}}$  is the first eigenvector of the calibration data  $\mathbf{x}_{\text{cal}}$

# Component correction results

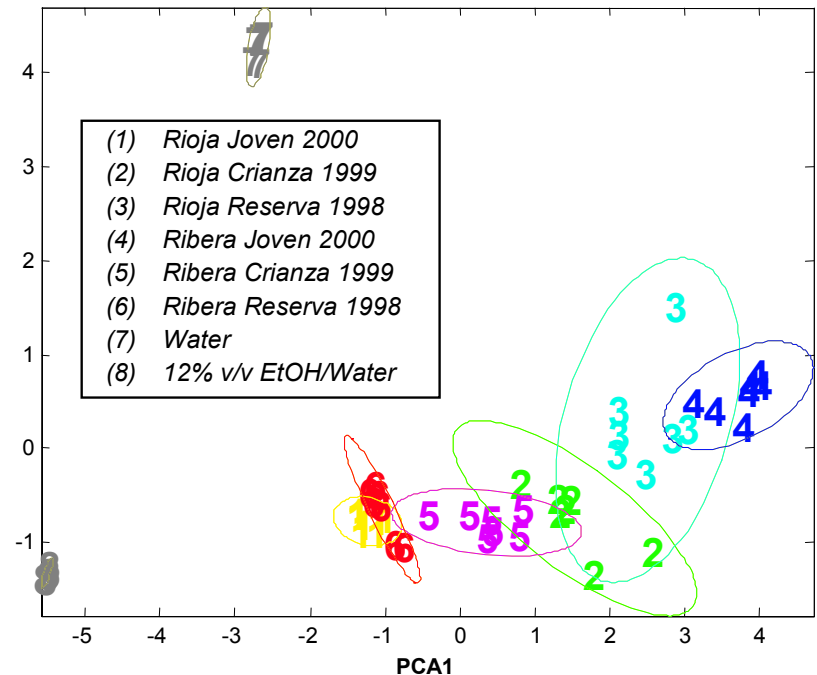
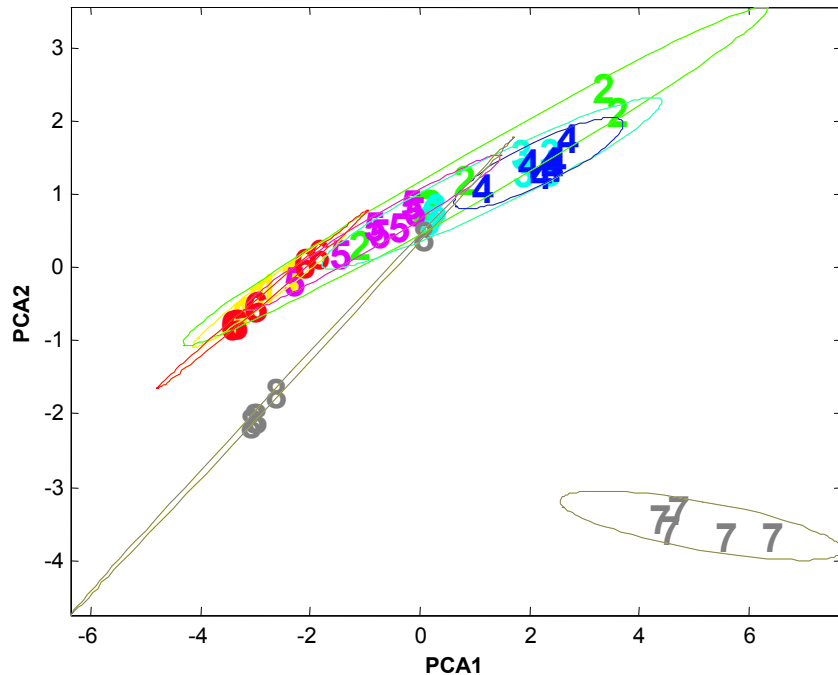


PCA scatter plot of uncorrected samples for eight gas mixtures. Arrows indicate the direction of drift. The center cluster (+) is the calibration gas.



PCA scatter plot after component correction. The calibration gas (+), no longer shown in the figure, has been used to estimate and remove the principal direction of drift ( $v_{cal}$ ).

# Component correction results (2)



# Component deflation [Gutierrez, 2000]

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## □ Basic idea

- Identify variables 'x' whose variance can be attributed to drift or interferents
  - E.g., response to a wash/reference gas, time stamps, temperature, pressure, humidity, etc.
- Measure 'y', the sensor-array response to an odor
- Remove variance in 'y' that can be explained by 'x' (by means of regression/deflation)

## □ Related to target rotation [Esbensen et al., 1987]

- "...removal of undesired information provided that there are variables uniquely connected to that information" [Christie, 1996]

# Component deflation algorithm

- Find linear projections  $x'=Ax$  and  $y'=By$  that are maximally correlated

$$\{A,B\} = \operatorname{argmax}[\rho(Ax,By)]$$

- How? Canonical Correlation Analysis (CCA) or PLS
- Interpretation:  $x'$  and  $y'$  are low-dimensional projections that summarize the linear dependencies between  $x$  and  $y$

- Find regression model  $y_{\text{pred}}=Wy'$

$$W = \operatorname{argmin}|y - Wy'|^2$$

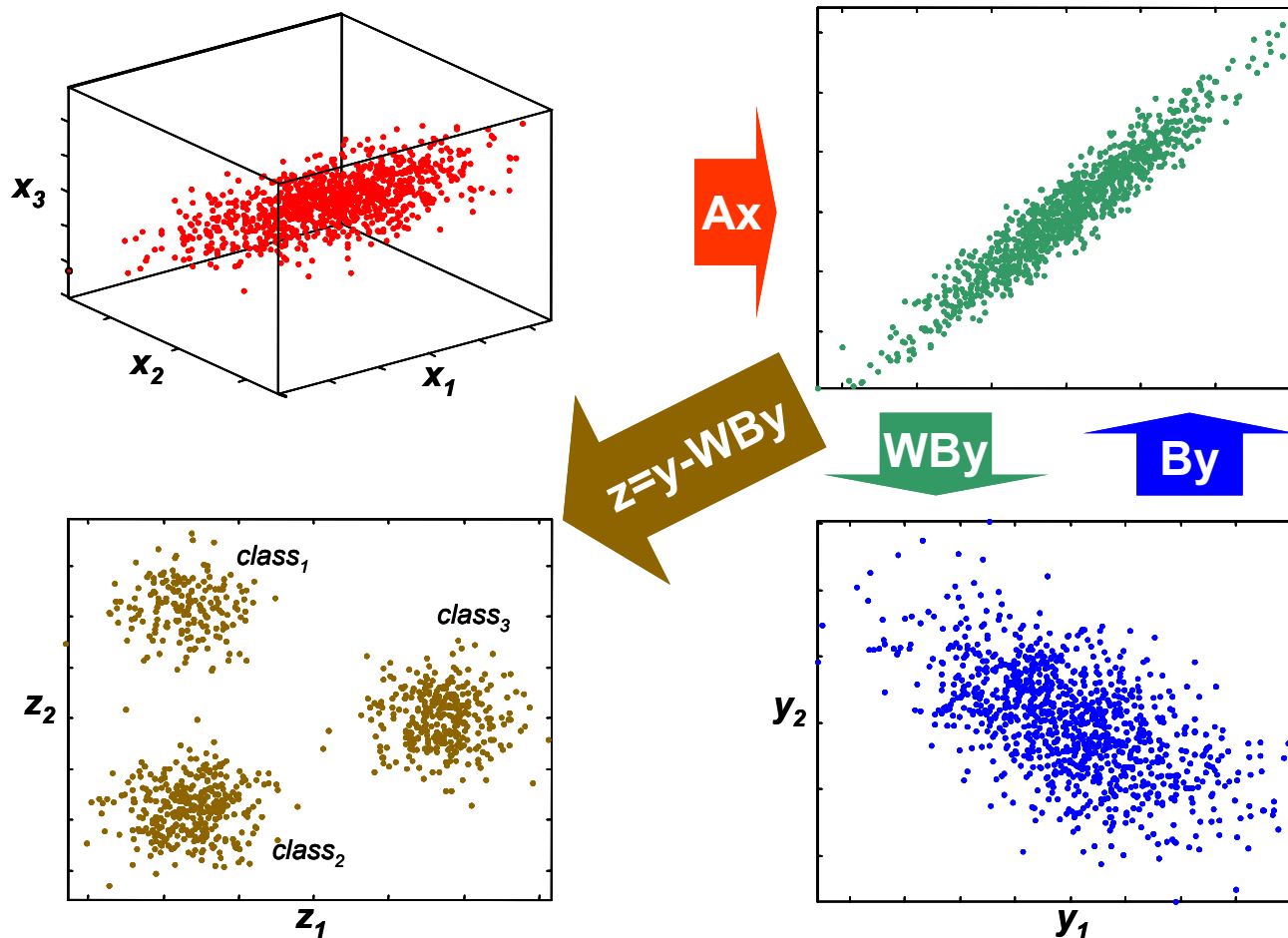
- Interpretation:  $y_{\text{pred}}$  contains the variance in the odor vector  $y$  that can be explained by  $y'$  and, as a result of the CCA stage, by  $x$

- Deflate  $y$  and use the residual  $z$  as a corrected sensor response

$$z = y - y_{\text{pred}} = y - WBy$$

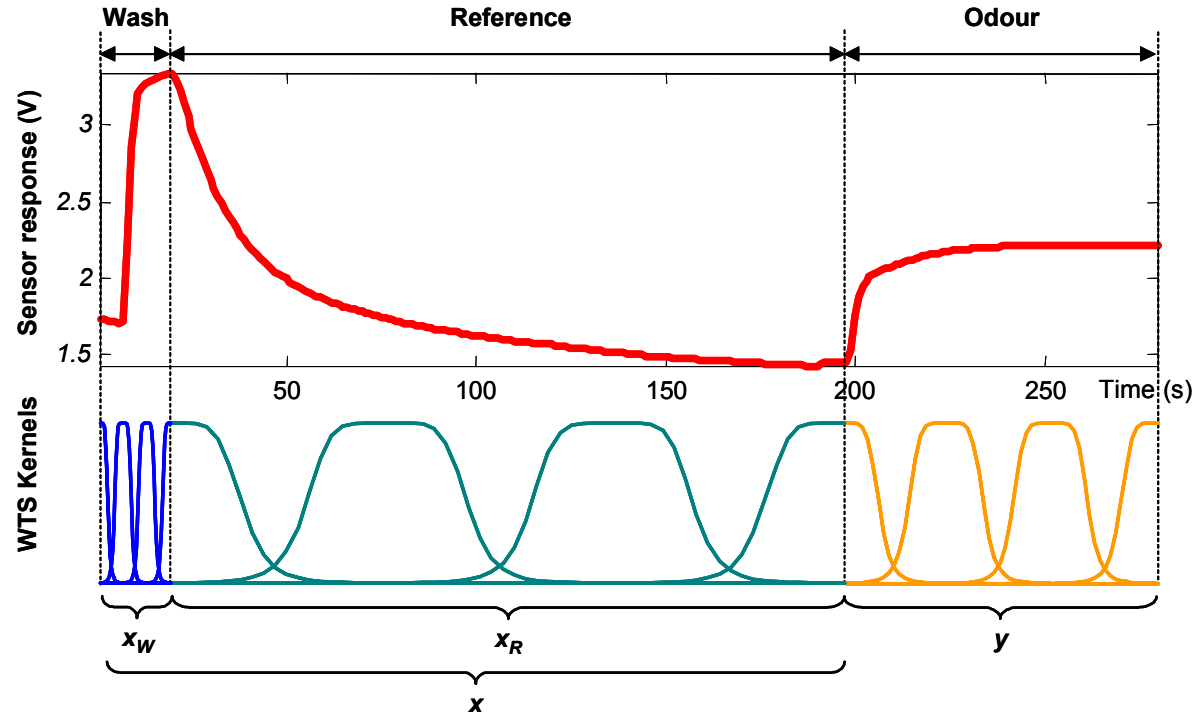


# Component deflation: interpretation



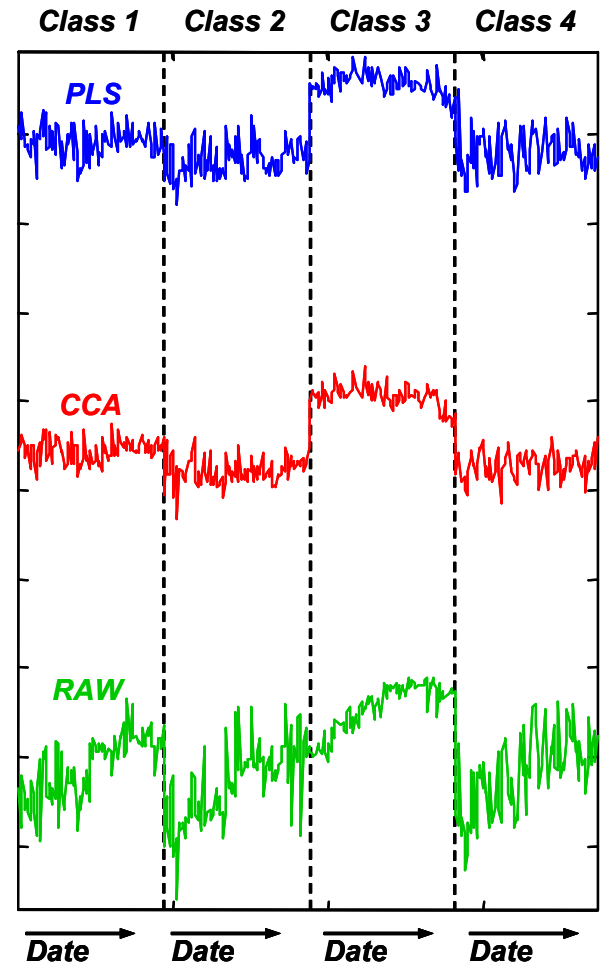
# Component deflation: motivation

- Exploit transient information in wash/reference cycle
  - To capture temporal trends, augment vector  $x$  with the time stamp of each sample (also in [Artursson et al., 2000])

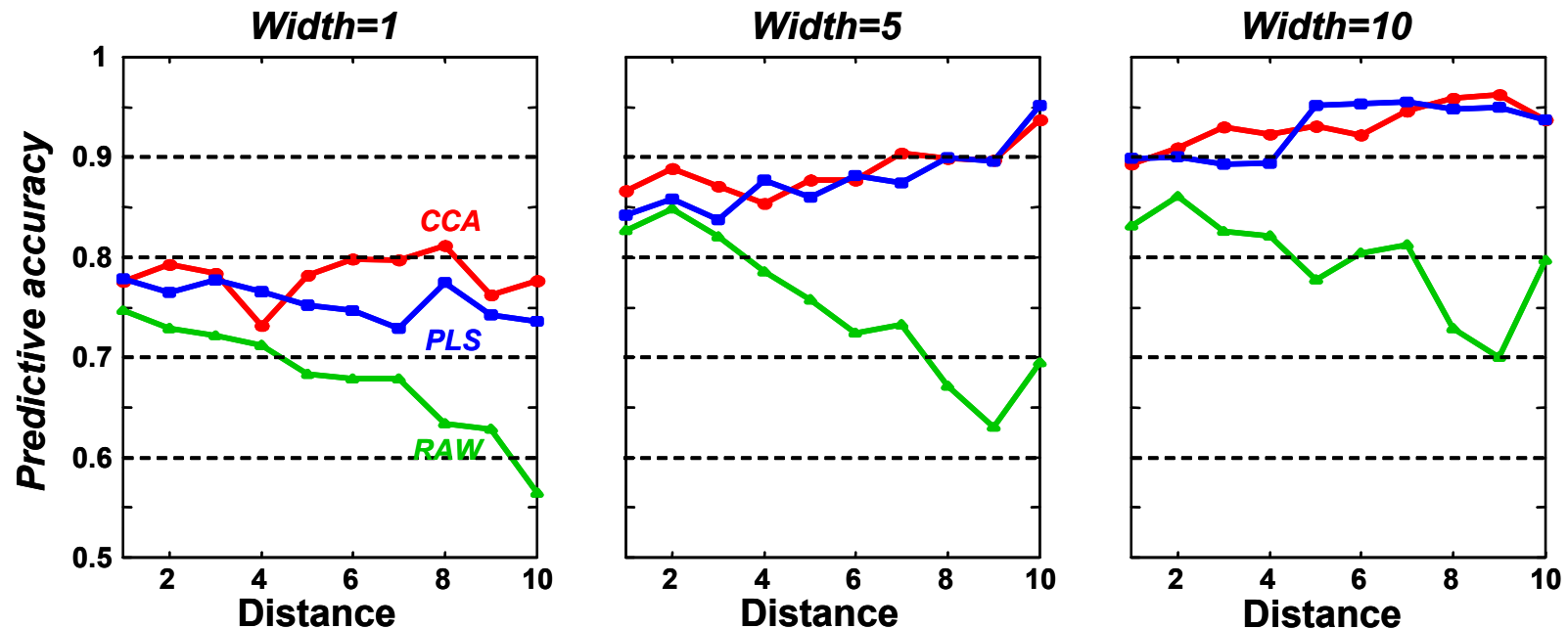
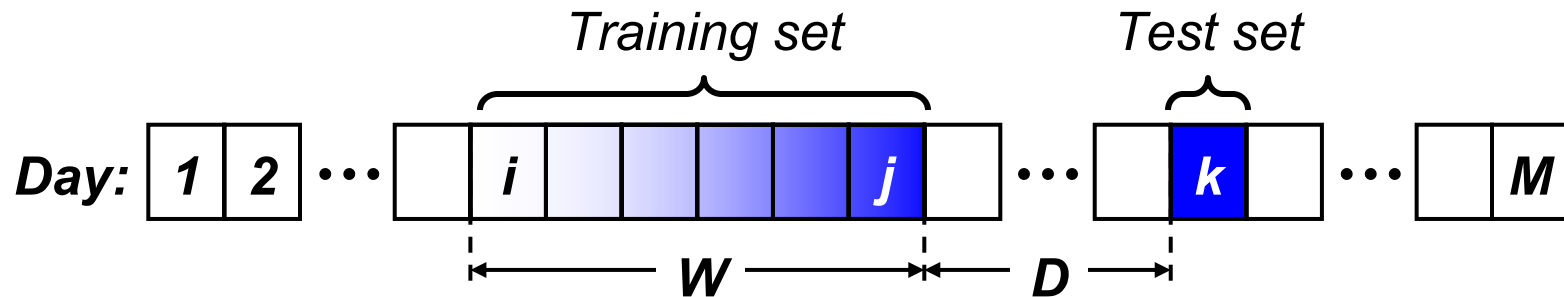


# Component deflation performance

- Database
  - Three months of data collection
    - Four cooking spices
    - Twenty four days
    - Four samples per day and spice
  - Ten metal-oxide sensors
- Plot shows one particular transient feature
  - Examples are sorted
    - By odor class
    - Within a class, by date



# Influence of aging and training set size



# Discussion of univariate methods

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- ❑ Frequency decomposition
  - Mostly useful for diagnostics and analysis
- ❑ Baseline manipulation
  - Attractive for its simplicity, but not an effective drift-correction approach for chemical sensors
- ❑ Differential measurements wrt calibrant
  - First-order approximation, but does not exploit cross-correlations
- ❑ Multiplicative correction wrt calibrant
  - Empirically shown to work, heuristic, does not exploit cross-correlations

# Discussion of multivariate methods (1)

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- ❑ Adaptive clustering
  - Requires equiprobable and frequent sampling
  - Correct identification is essential to ensure that the adapting distributions track the odors
  - Does not use information from a calibrant
- ❑ System identification
  - Builds a separate drift model for each odor, but requires multiple consecutive samples
  - Can be used as a template-matching classifier
  - Does not use information from a calibrant

# Discussion of multivariate methods (2)

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- ❑ Calibration transfer
  - Shown to work in MS and e-nose data
  - Black-box approach
- ❑ Orthogonal Signal Correction and Deflation
  - In my experience, the best approach
  - Why? Time tested in chemometrics, uses multivariate and calibrant information, and IT IS SIMPLE

# References (1)

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