



# Image Analysis and Object Recognition

## Assignment 5

**Clustering using Expectation Maximization (EM) and  
Maximum-Likelihood (ML) image segmentation**

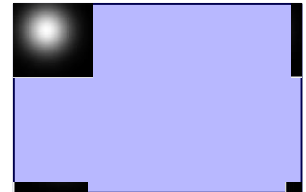
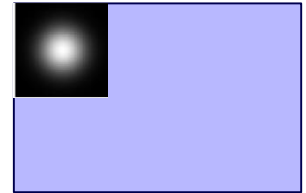
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- Assignment dates:
  - 13.04.2017 → Introduction + Assignment 1
  - 04.05.2017 → Assignment 1+2
  - 18.05.2017 → Assignment 2+3
  - 01.06.2017 → Assignment 3+4
  - **15.06.2017** → Assignment 4+5
  - **29.06.2017** → Assignment 5+6
  - 13.07.2017 → Final Meeting / Summary / Discussion

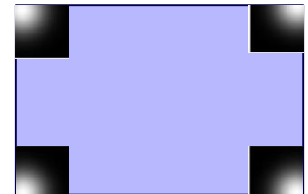
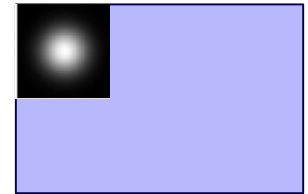
# A4: Filter Computation

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```



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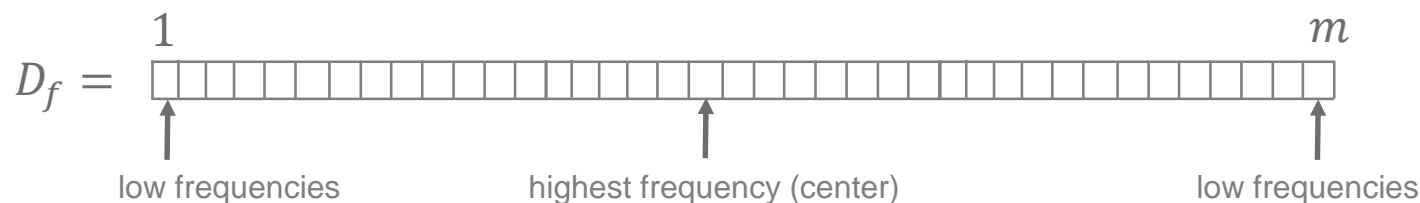
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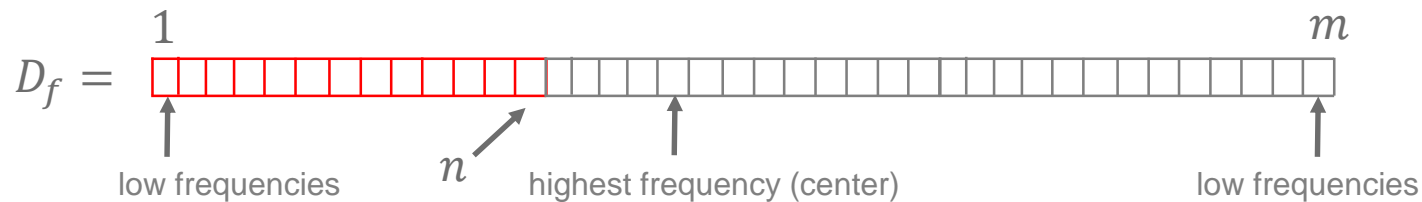


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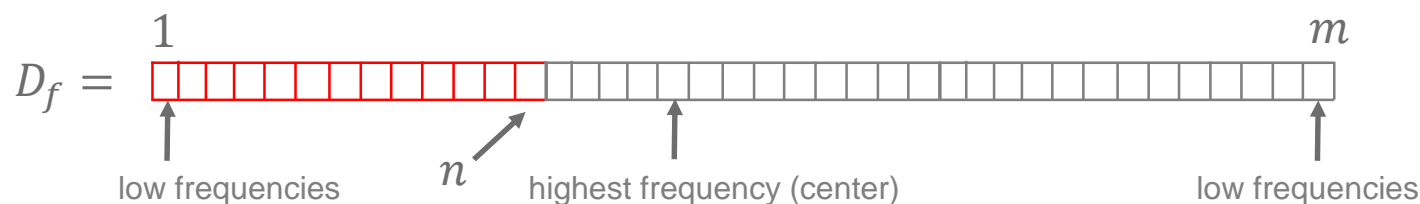
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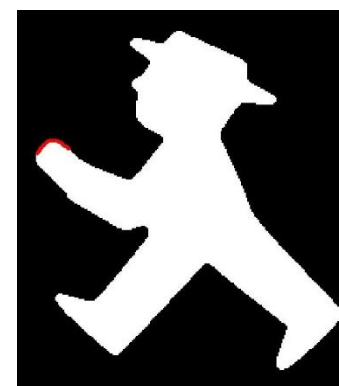
- Fourier transform  $D_f = fft(D, n) \rightarrow$  **transforms  $n$  elements of  $D$ !**



$n = 842$



$n = 421$



$n = 24$

# Solution A4

```
function taskA
    Img = rgb2gray(imread('taskA.png'));
    Img = im2double(Img);
    Org = fft2(Img);
    Img = imnoise(Img, 'gaussian', 0, 0.01);

    N = 64;
    G = zeros(N);
    S = 3;
    M = N/2;
    [X, Y] = meshgrid(1:N);
    G = (1 / (2*pi*S^2)) * exp(-(X-M).^2 + (Y-M).^2) /
    Filter = zeros(size(Img));
    Filter(1:N, 1:N) = G;
    Filter = circshift(Filter, [-N/2 -N/2]);

    FilterFFT = fft2(Filter);
    ImgFFT = fft2(Img);
    figure;
    imagesc(log(abs(ImgFFT)));
    figure;
    imagesc(log(abs(FilterFFT)));
    figure();
    imagesc(log(abs(Org)));
    Res = ImgFFT.*FilterFFT;
    figure();
    imagesc(log(abs(Res)));
    figure();
    imshow(fft2(Res));
end
```

```
function TaskB
    Img = im2bw(rgb2gray(imread('trainingB.png')), 0.1);
    B = bwboundaries(Img);
    D = complex(B{1}(:,1), B{1}(:,2));
    Df = fft(D);
    Df = Df(2:size(Df, 1));
    Df = Df / abs(Df(1));
    Df = abs(Df);
    Df24 = Df(1:24);

    ImgName = 'test1B.jpg';
    for i = 1:2
        Img = im2bw(rgb2gray(imread(ImgName)), 0.15);
        imshow(imread(ImgName));
        B = bwboundaries(Img);
        for k = 1:length(B)
            Dk = complex(B{k}(:,1), B{k}(:,2));
            Dfk = fft(Dk);
            Dfk = Dfk(2:size(Dfk, 1));
            Dfk = Dfk / abs(Dfk(1));
            Dfk = abs(Dfk);
            if(size(Dfk, 1) >= 24)
                Dfk24 = Dfk(1:24);
                Dis = norm(Df24 - Dfk24);
                if(Dis < 1)
                    hold on;
                    plot(B{k}(:,2), B{k}(:,1), 'b', 'LineWidth', 3);
                end
            end
        end
        end
        if(i == 1)
            figure;
        end
        ImgName = 'test2B.jpg';
    end
end
```





# Assignment 6

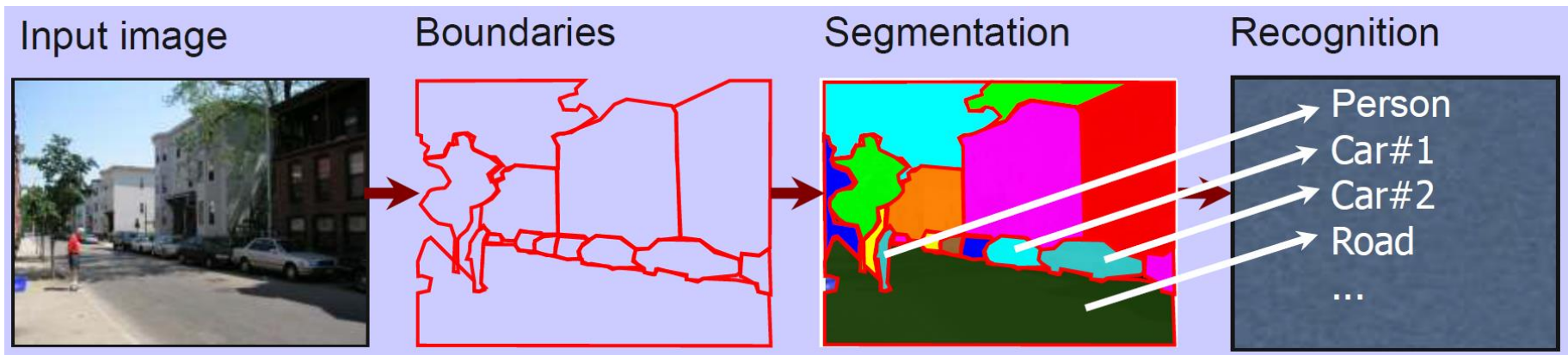
**A:** Expectation Maximization (EM) Clustering

**B:** Maximum Likelihood (ML) image segmentation  
**(Application Task)**

# Motivation

## Segmentation

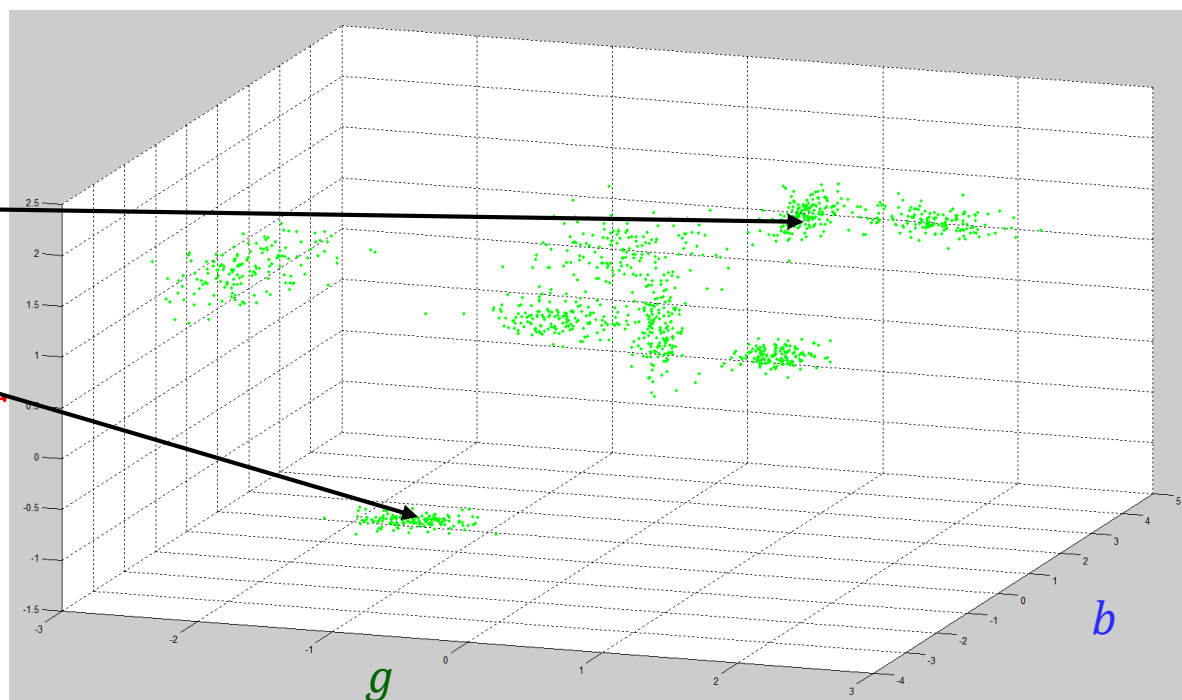
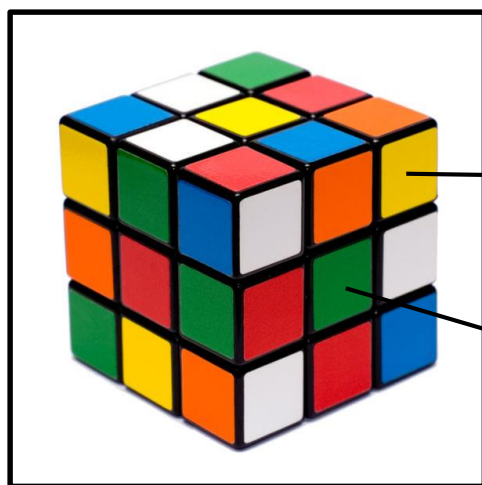
- Partitioning an image into a collection of connected set of pixels



- Needed for understanding the content of a scene

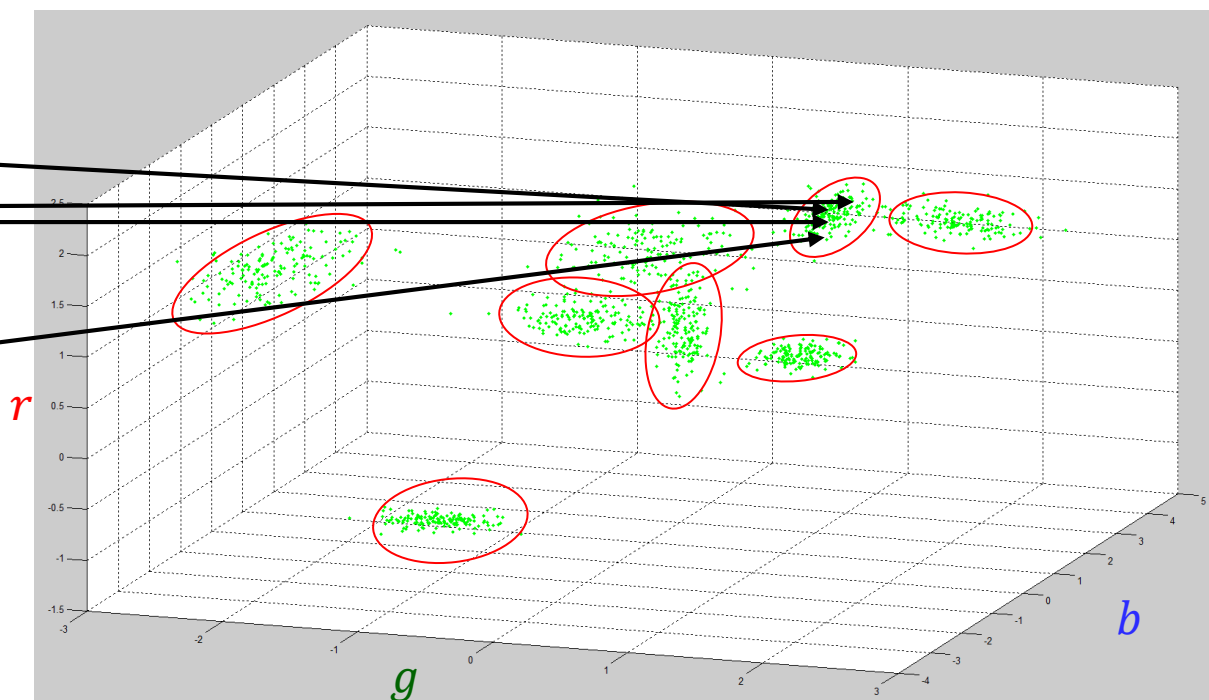
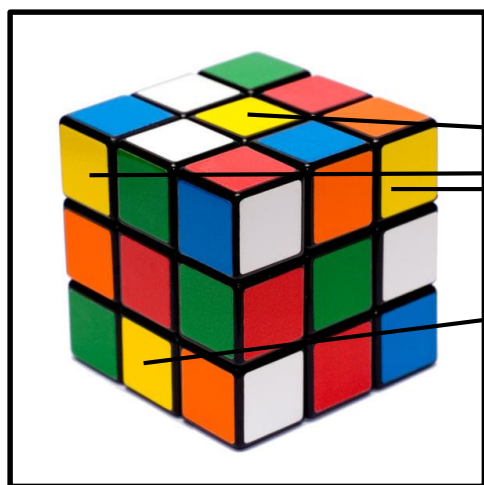
# Feature Spaces

- Given: 3-channel image (rgb)
  - Each channel represents one dimension of a feature space
  - Each pixel of the image maps to a point in that space



# Idea of Clustering

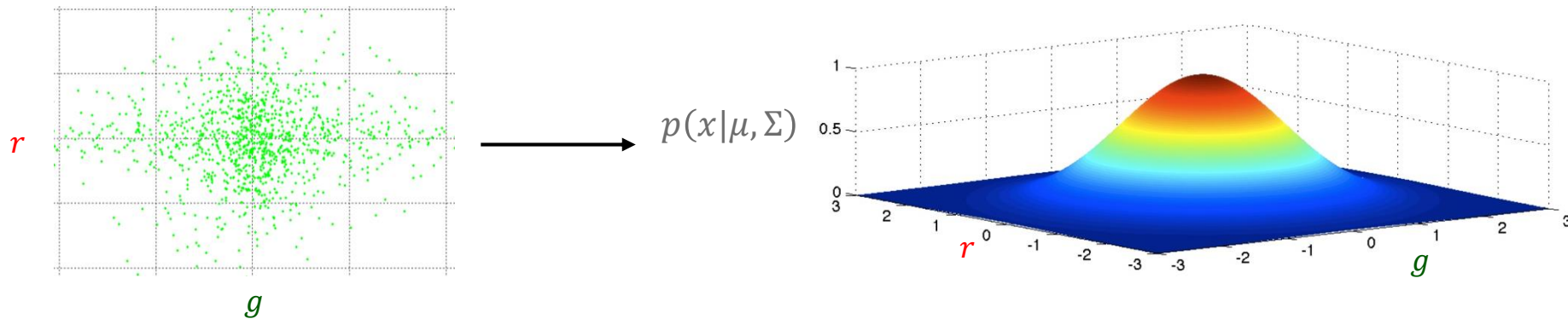
- Group all similar points in feature space to „clusters“
- Each cluster contains pixels with similar spectral properties
  - Members of a cluster belong to the same segment or segment class



# Parameterization of Data

- Cluster representation using multivariate Gaussian functions

$$p(x|\mu, \Sigma) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}} \cdot |\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x - \mu)\right)$$



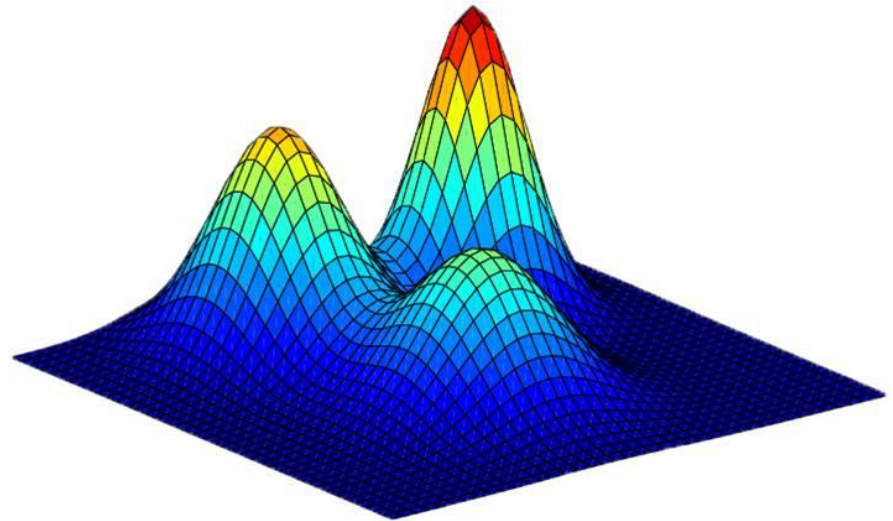
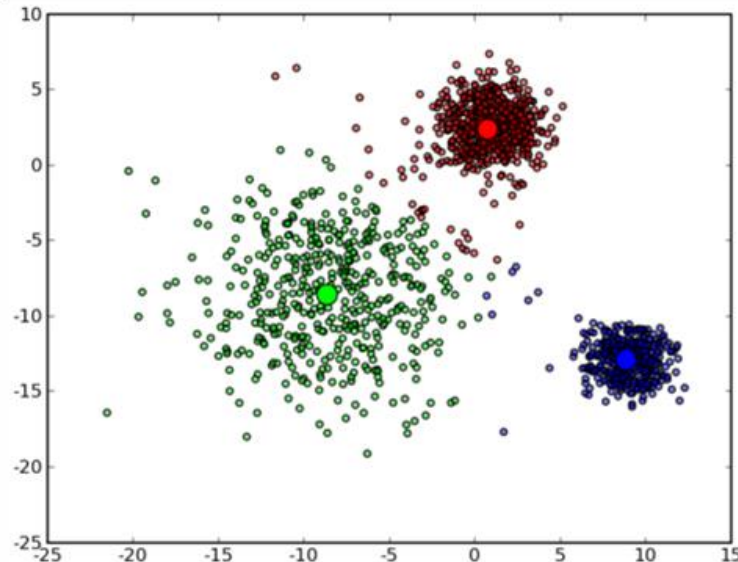
- $p(x|\mu, \Sigma)$ : „Probability of  $x$  given the parameters  $\mu, \Sigma$ “
- $x$ : Feature vector, e.g. rg-information of a pixel  $x = (r, g)$
- $\mu$ : **Center of the Gaussian function, here  $\mu = (0, 0)$**
- $\Sigma$ : **Covariance matrix (symmetric), here of size  $2 \times 2$  (2 dimensions)**
- $d$ : Number of feature-space dimensions, here  $d = 2$
- $|\Sigma|$ : Determinant of the covariance matrix
- $\Sigma^{-1}$ : Inverted covariance matrix

# Gaussian Mixture Models

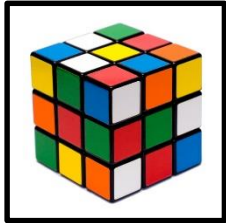
- Mixture-Model: Weighted sum of  $N_c$  elementary Gaussians

$$p(x|\Omega) = \sum_{c=1}^{N_c} \alpha_c p(x|\mu_c, \sigma_c), \quad \Omega = \{\alpha_1, \mu_1, \sigma_1, \dots, \alpha_{N_c}, \mu_{N_c}, \sigma_{N_c}\}$$

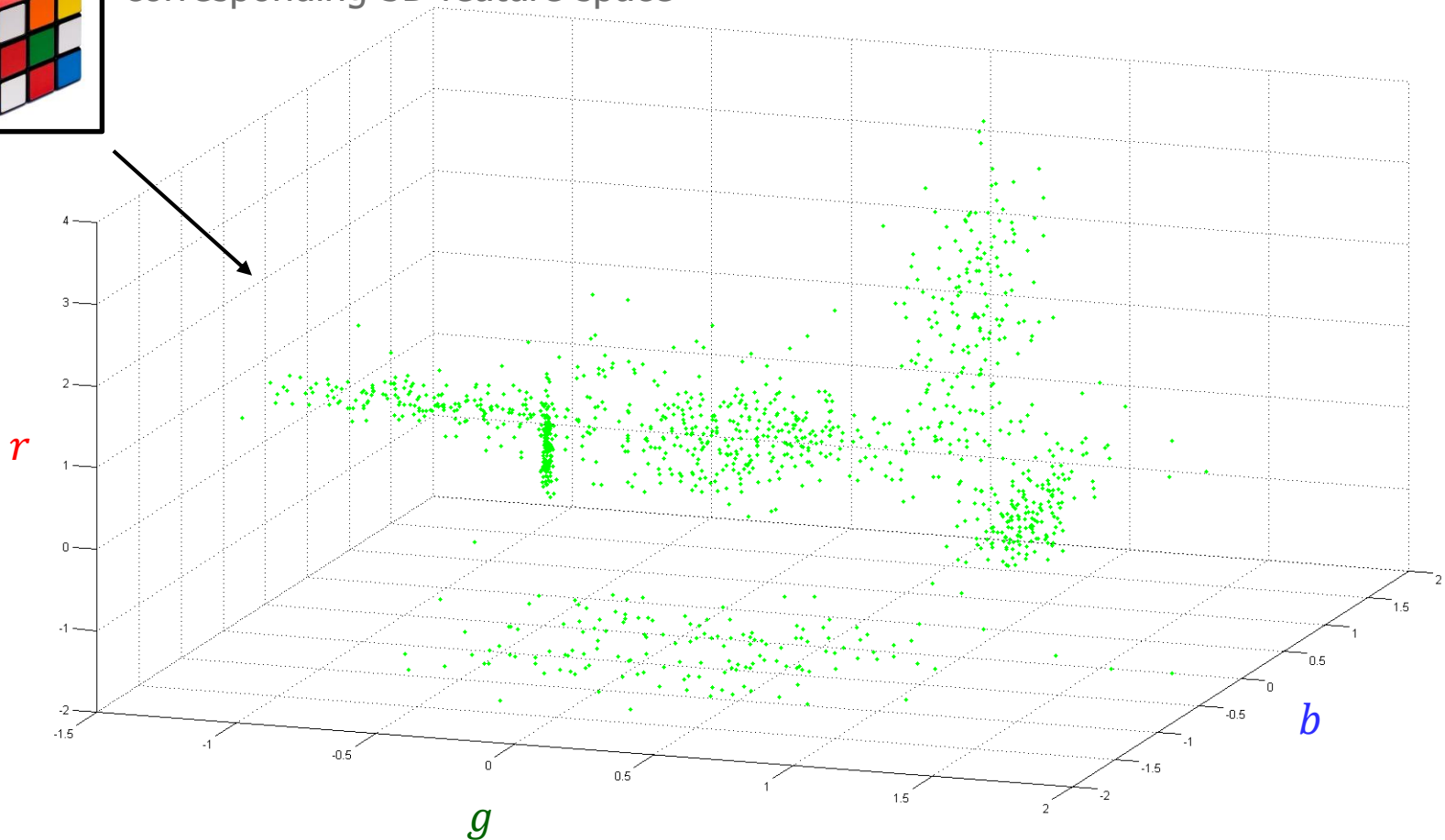
- $N_c = 3$  example in 2D:



# 3D Gaussian Mixture Model Example



**Remember:** Each pixel of an rgb-image represents a point in the corresponding 3D feature space

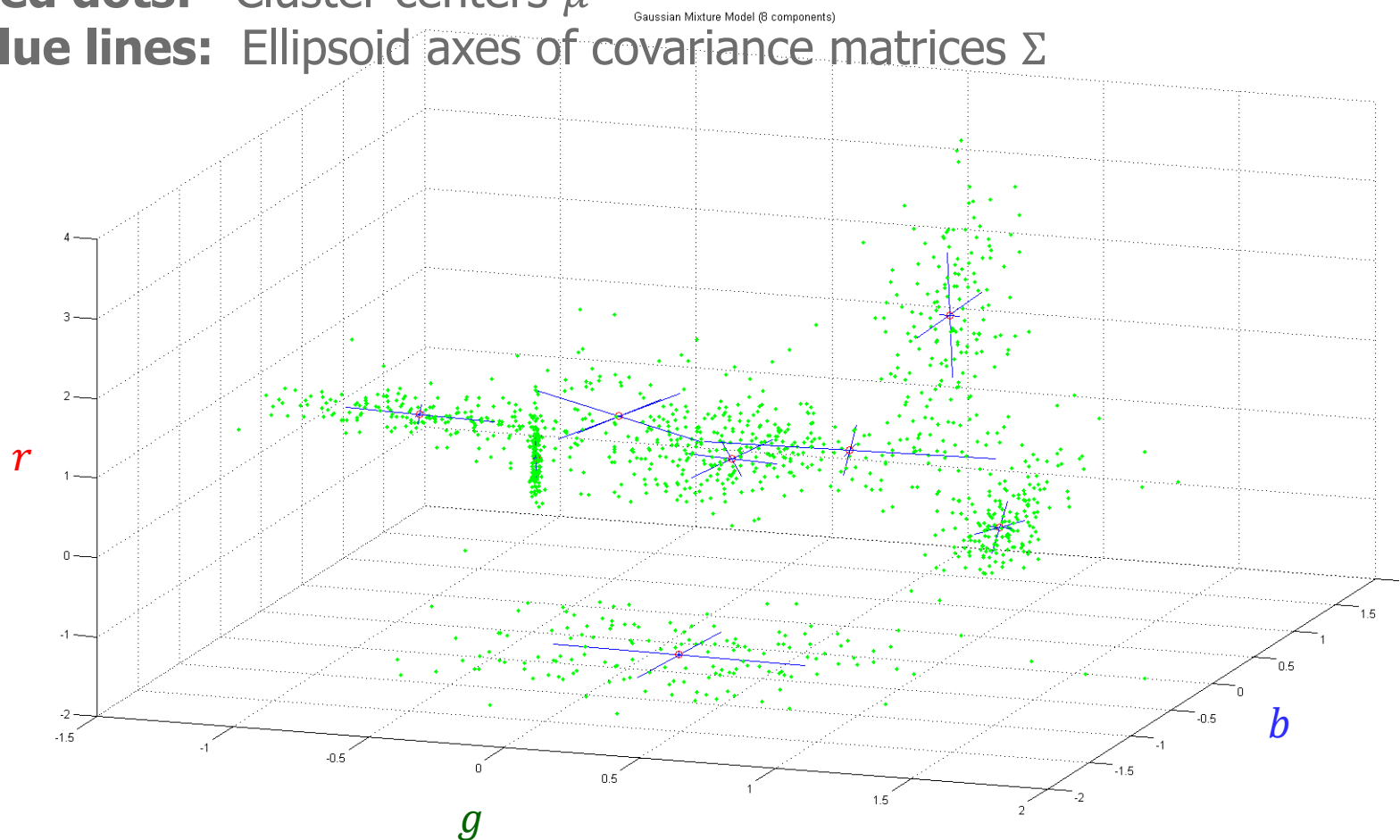




# 3D Gaussian Mixture Model Example

**Red dots:** Cluster centers  $\mu$

**Blue lines:** Ellipsoid axes of covariance matrices  $\Sigma$





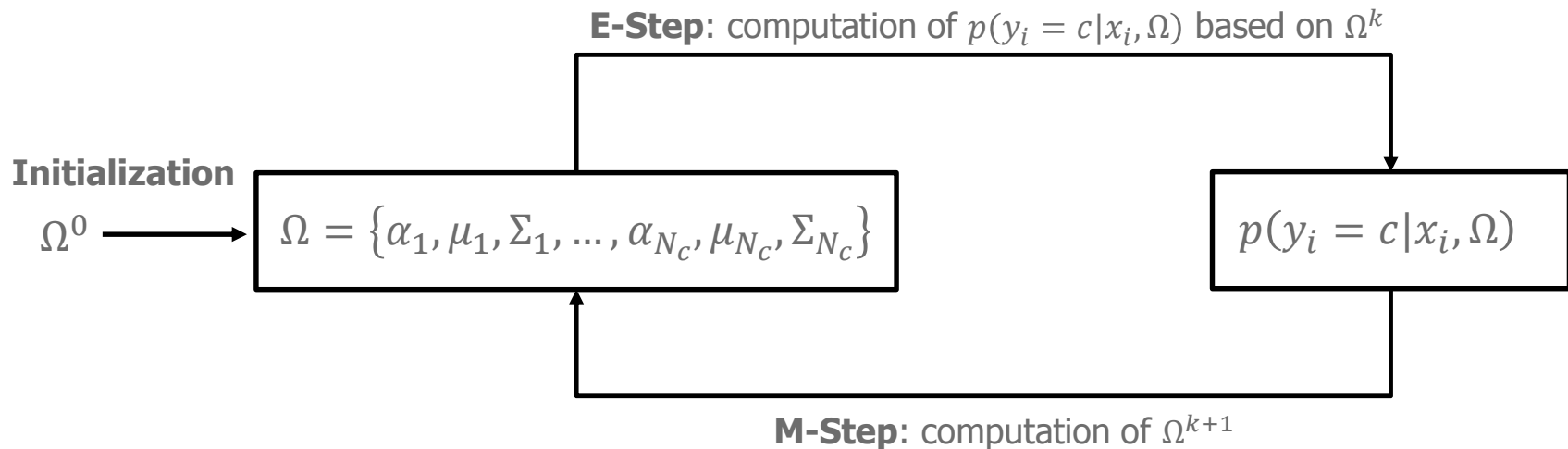
# Parameter Estimation for GMMs

- **Given:**  $d$ -dimensional feature space consisting of  $N_x$  feature vectors  $\{x_1, \dots, x_{N_x}\}$
- **Wanted:** Set of parameters  $\Omega = \{\alpha_1, \mu_1, \Sigma_1, \dots, \alpha_{N_c}, \mu_{N_c}, \Sigma_{N_c}\}$  for mixture model with  $N_c$  components
  - $\alpha_c$ : Weight for a cluster, where  $\sum_{c=1, \dots, N_c} \alpha_i = 1.0$
  - $\mu_c$ : Mean vector for a cluster
  - $\Sigma_c$ : Covariance matrix for a cluster
- **Approach:** Use probabilities
 
$$p(y_i = c | x_i, \Omega_c), \quad y_i \in \{1, \dots, N_c\},$$
 which describe the membership of a feature space point  $x_i$  to a cluster  $y_i$ 
  - This enables parameter estimation!!

# Parameter Estimation

## Expectation-Maximization (EM):

- Iterative Algorithm (chicken-egg problem!)



- E-Step:** Compute probabilities  $p(y_i = c|x_i, \Omega^k)$  for each vector  $x$  using the current model parameters  $\Omega^k$
- M-Step:** Computation of new model parameters  $\Omega_c^{k+1}$  using the probabilities  $p(y_i = c|x_i, \Omega_c^k)$  from E-Step

# E-Step

Compute membership probabilities for each vector  $x_i$  and component  $c$  using the current model parameters  $\Omega^k$

$$p(y_i = c | x_i, \Omega_c^k) = \frac{\alpha_c p(x_i | \mu_c^k, \Sigma_c^k)}{\sum_{j=1}^{N_c} \alpha_j p(x_i | \mu_j^k, \Sigma_j^k)}$$

„Prior probability“ (scalar value: weight)  $\rightarrow \alpha_c$

„Likelihood“ (Gaussian function)  $\rightarrow p(x_i | \mu_c^k, \Sigma_c^k)$

„Evidence“ (normalization)  $\rightarrow \sum_{j=1}^{N_c} \alpha_j p(x_i | \mu_j^k, \Sigma_j^k)$

- Bayes' theorem
  - „Probability of a cluster  $c$  given  $x_i$  and the parameters  $\Omega_c$ “
- Result: Matrix of size  $N_c \times N_x$ 
  - $N_c$ : Number of clusters
  - $N_x$ : Number of feature vectors

# Computations in E-Step 1/2

**Computation of:**

$$p(y_i = c | x_i, \Omega_c^k) = \frac{\alpha_c p(x_i | \mu_c^k, \Sigma_c^k)}{\sum_{j=1}^{N_c} \alpha_j p(x_i | \mu_j^k, \Sigma_j^k)}$$

← numerator  
← denominator

**Problem:** Values  $p(x_i | \mu_c^k, \Sigma_c^k)$  often very small → computational problems!

→ Use log-values:  $\log(p(y_i = c | x_i, \Omega_c^k))$

→ Gaussian parametrization

$$p(x_i | \mu_c, \Sigma_c) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}} \cdot |\Sigma_c|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x_i - \mu_c)^T \Sigma_c^{-1}(x_i - \mu_c)\right)$$

→ The log-value for the numerator is:

$$\log(\alpha_c \cdot p(x_i | \mu_c^k, \Sigma_c^k)) = \log(\alpha_c) - \frac{1}{2} \left[ \log(|\Sigma_c^k|) + (x_i - \mu_c^k)^T \Sigma_c^{-1}(x_i - \mu_c^k) \right] + t$$

→ Value  $t$  constant → can be ignored in all computations

# Computations in E-Step 2/2

**Computation of:**  $\log(p(y_i = c | x_i, \Omega_c^k)) = \log\left(\frac{\alpha_c p(x_i | \mu_c^k, \Sigma_c^k)}{\sum_{j=1}^{N_c} \alpha_j p(x_i | \mu_j^k, \Sigma_j^k)}\right)$

$$= \underbrace{\log(\alpha_c p(x_i | \mu_c^k, \Sigma_c^k))}_{\text{numerator}} - \underbrace{\log\left(\sum_{j=1}^{N_c} \alpha_j p(x_i | \mu_j^k, \Sigma_j^k)\right)}_{\text{denominator}}$$

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- Computation of denominator: no rule for sum of log-values ☹️
- Use numerator in the following way:

$$Num_{c,i} = \log(\alpha_c \cdot p(x_i | \mu_c^k, \Sigma_c^k))$$

$$Denom_i = \log\left(\sum_{j=1}^{N_c} \alpha_j p(x_i | \mu_j^k, \Sigma_j^k)\right) = \log\left(\sum_{j=1}^{N_c} \exp(Num_{j,i})\right)$$

- Final result:  $\log(p(y_i = c | x_i, \Omega_c^k)) = Num_{c,i} - Denom_i$

# M-Step

Compute new model parameters  $\Omega^{k+1}$  for each cluster  $c$  based on the probabilities  $p(y_i = c|x_i, \Omega_c^k)$  of E-Step (**no *log*-values!**):

$$N_p = \sum_{i=1}^{N_x} p(y_c = c|x_i, \Omega_c^k)$$

→ Number of feature points in cluster  $c$

$$\alpha_c = \frac{N_p}{N_x}$$

→ Weight for each cluster

$$\mu_c^{k+1} = \frac{1}{N_p} \sum_{i=1}^{N_x} x_i p(y_i = c|x_i, \Omega_c^k)$$

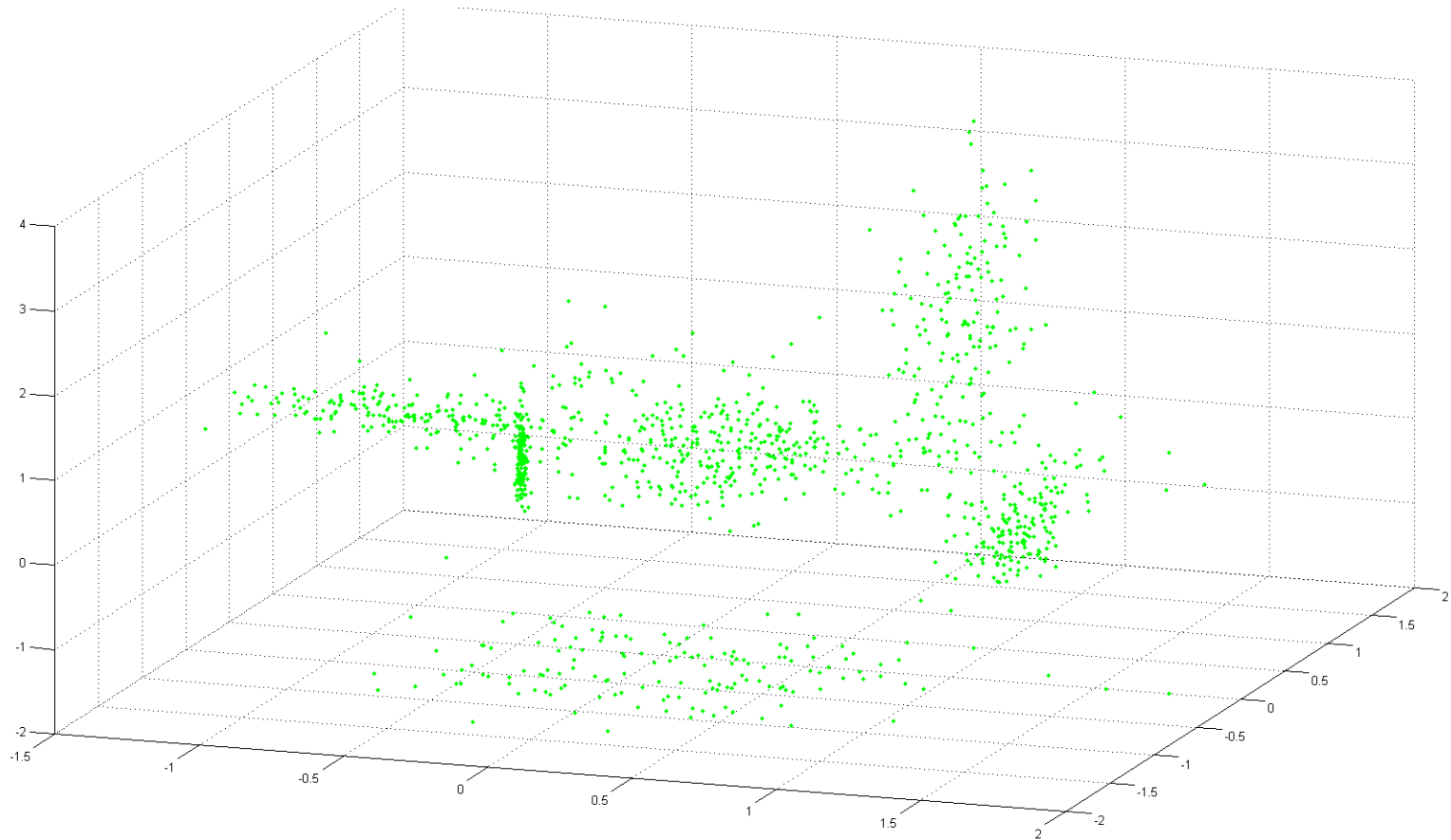
→ Mean vector (centroid) for each cluster

$$\Sigma_c^{k+1} = \frac{1}{N_p} \sum_{i=1}^{N_x} (x_i - \mu_c^{k+1})(x_i - \mu_c^{k+1})^T p(y_i = c|x_i, \Omega_c^k) \rightarrow \text{Covariance matrix for each cluster}$$

# Model Initialization

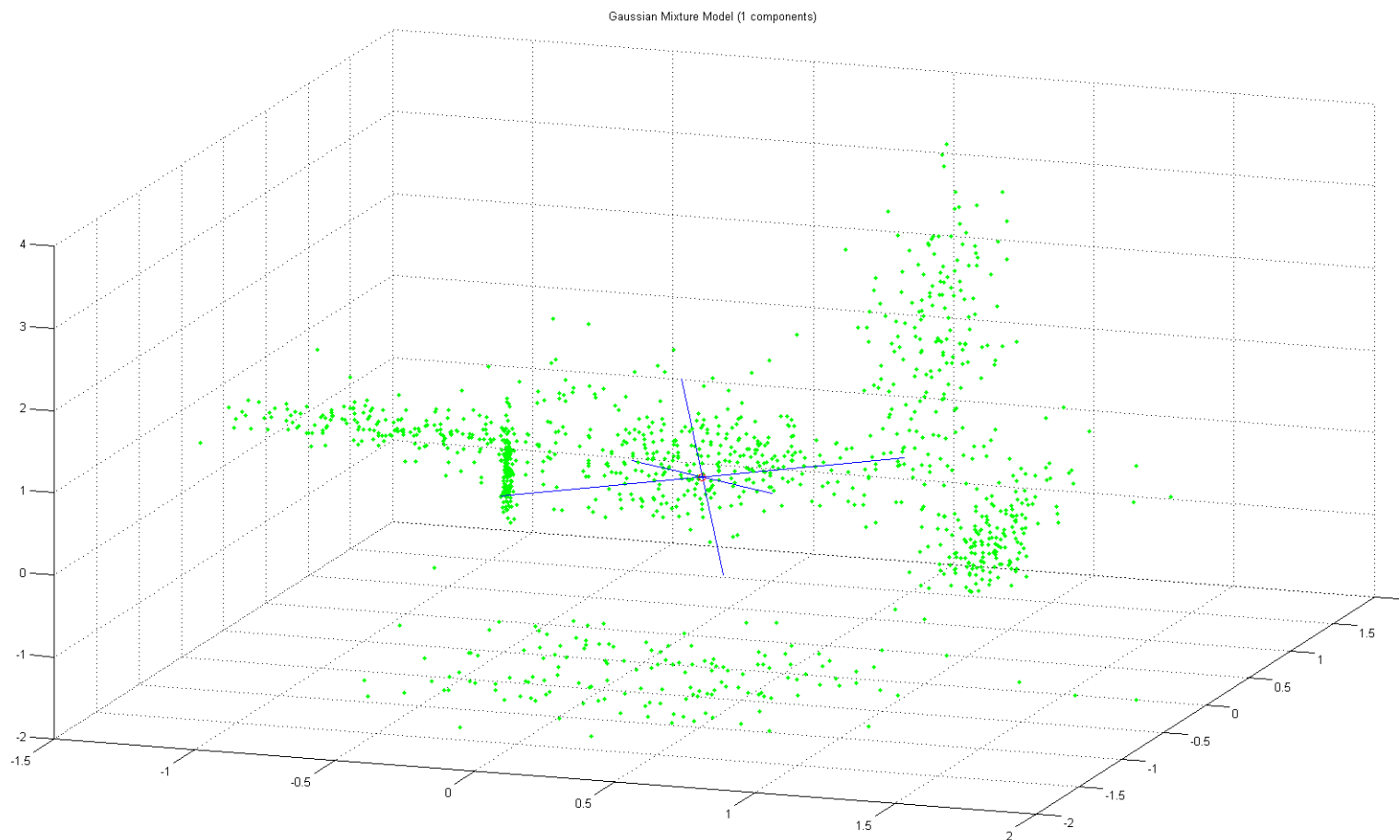
- EM derived using iterative gradient climbing
  - Converges to a **local** maximum
  - Quality of model depends on initialization
- Often applied: Random initialization
  - Estimation repeated several times
  - Problematic when number of components is large
- **Here:** Iterative splitting of components
  - Algorithm starts with one component (trivial)
  - After a local maximum is found a new component is added by splitting the „biggest“ cluster into two new ones
  - Repeated, till the desired number of components is reached

# Model Initialization: Feature Space

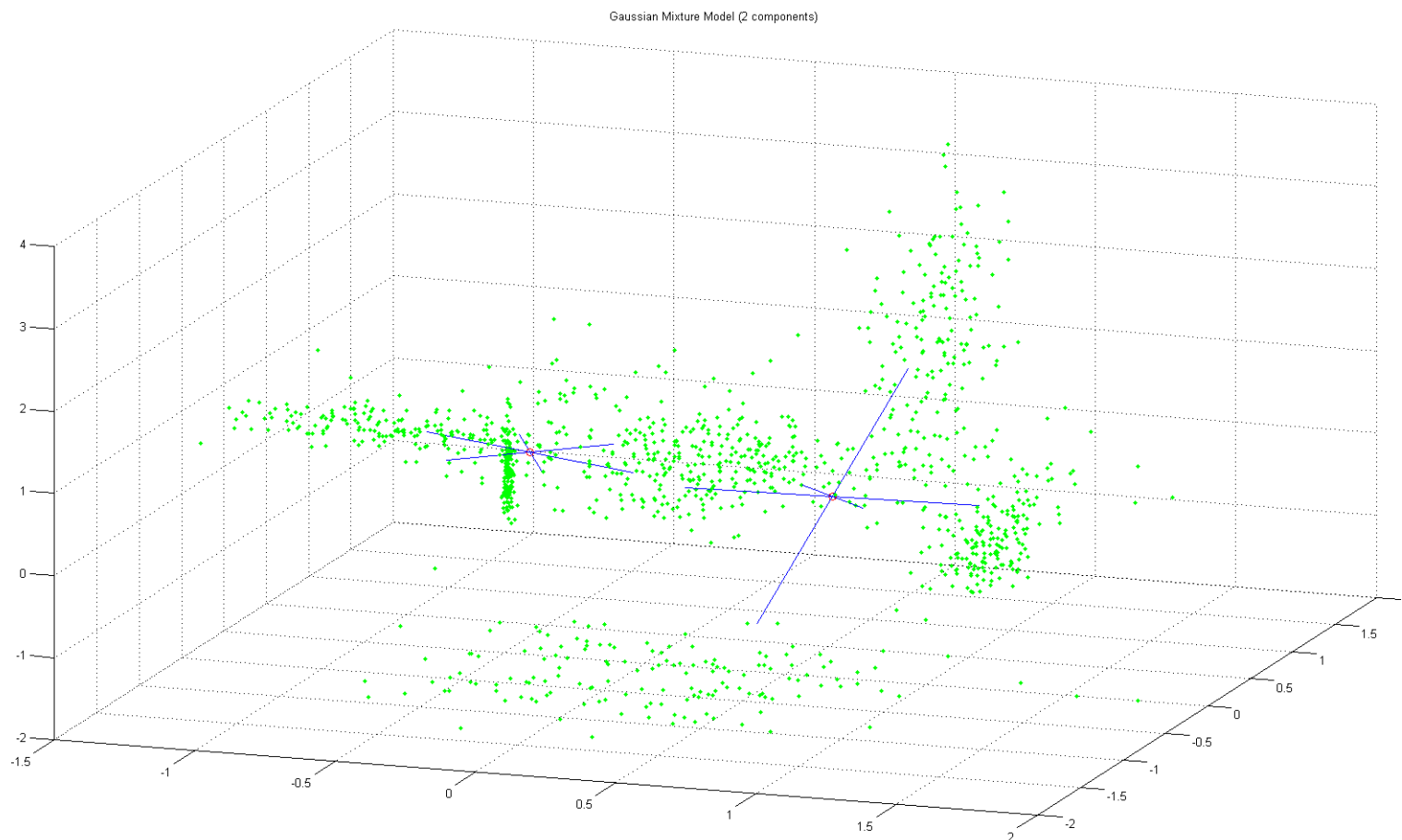




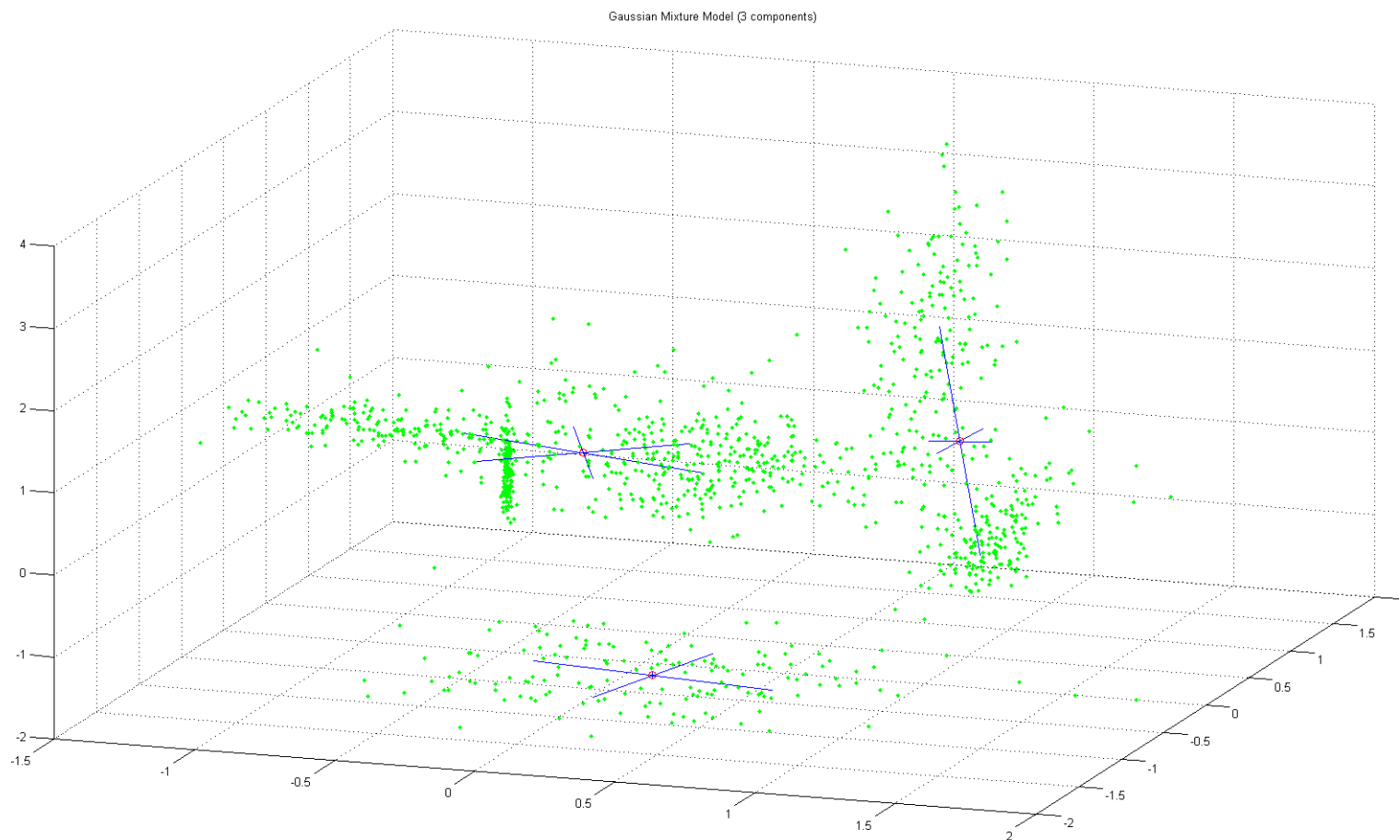
# Result for 1 Cluster



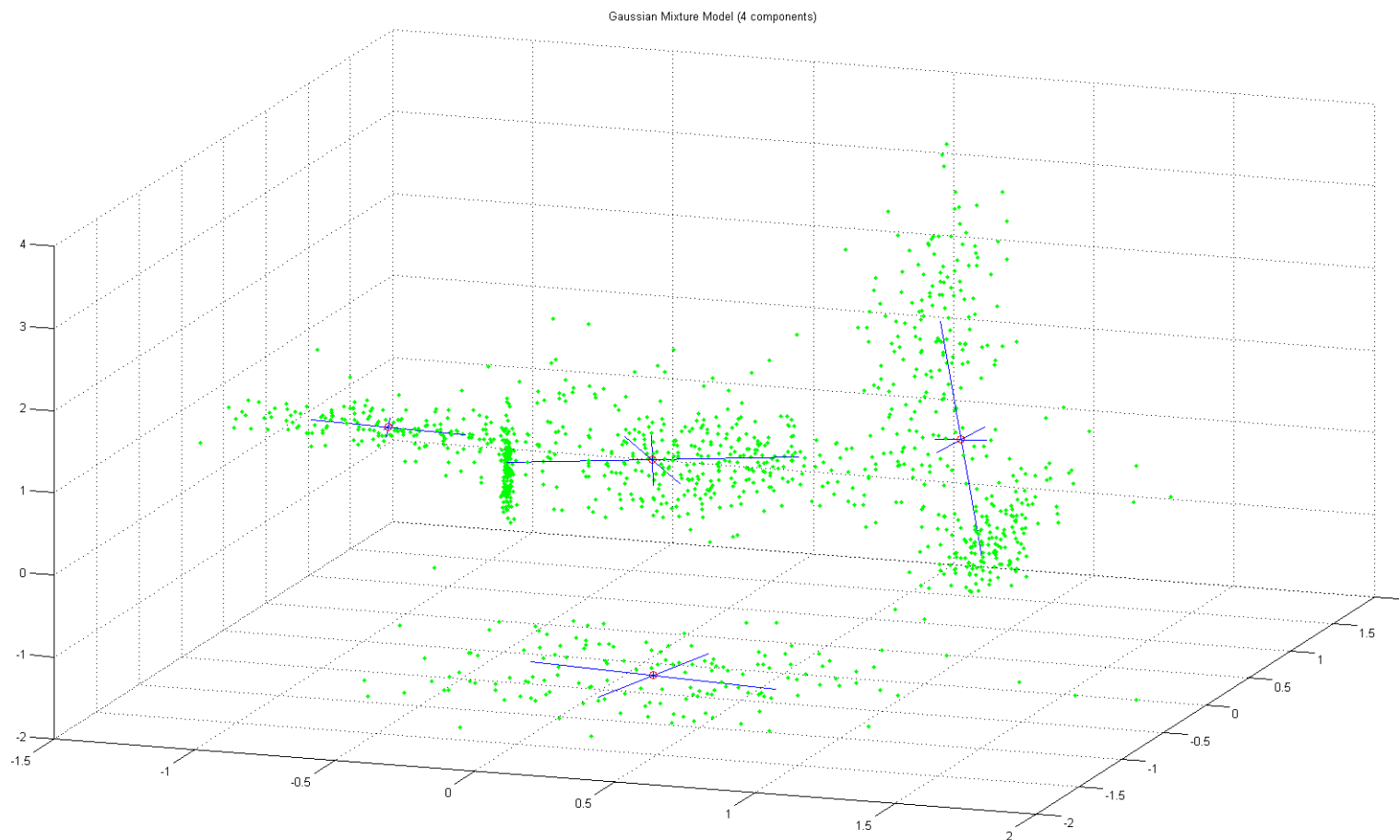
# Result for 2 Cluster



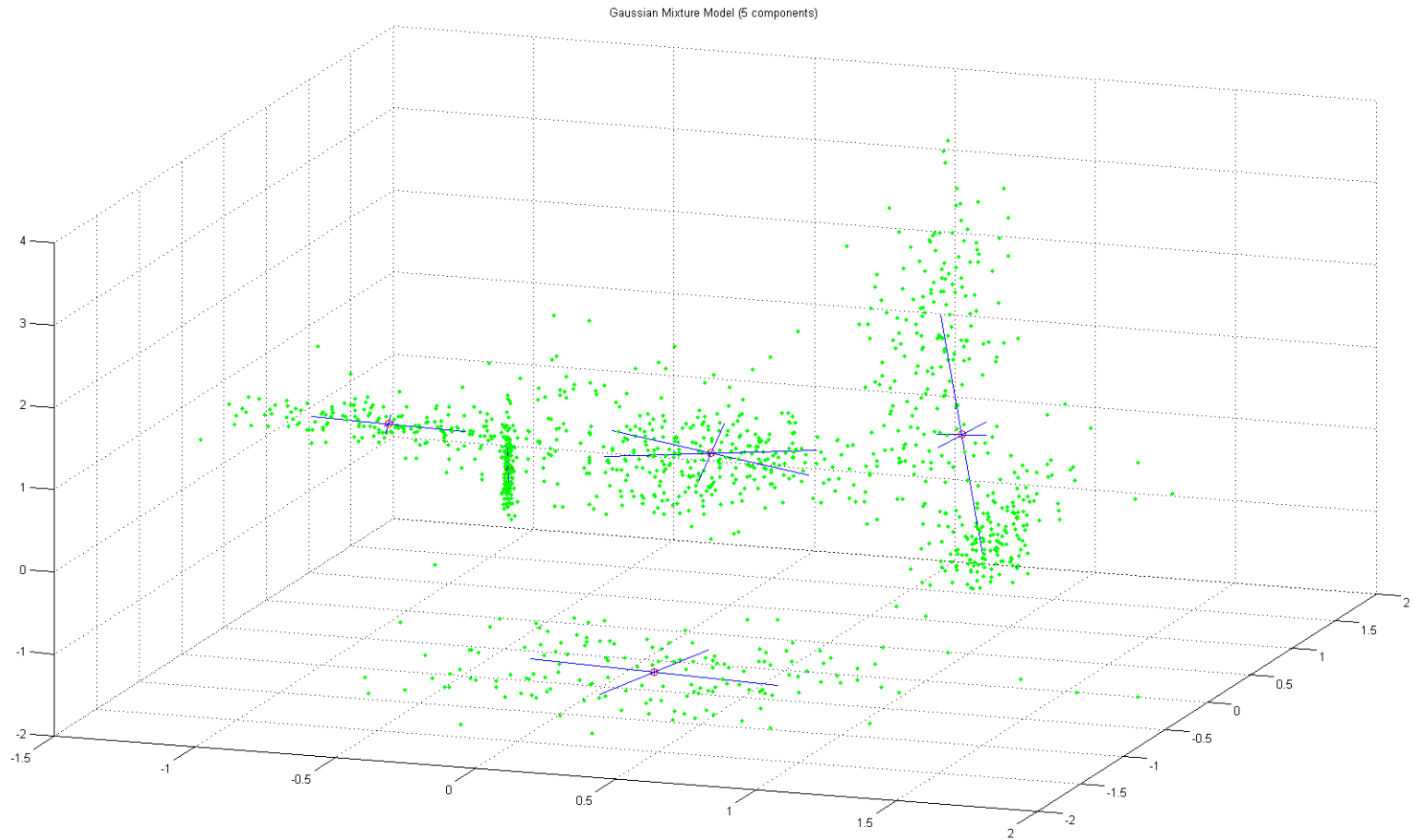
# Result for 3 Cluster



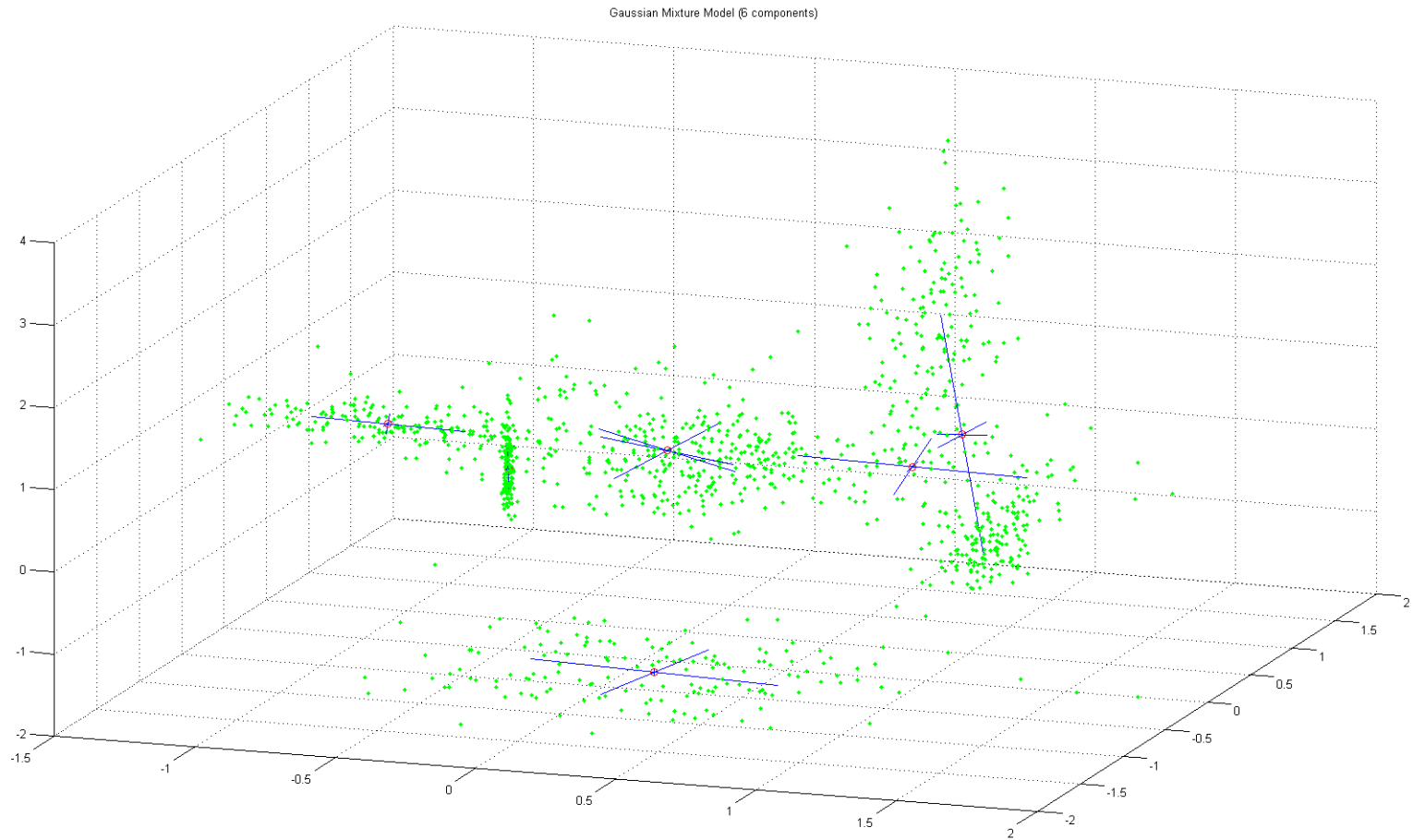
# Result for 4 Cluster



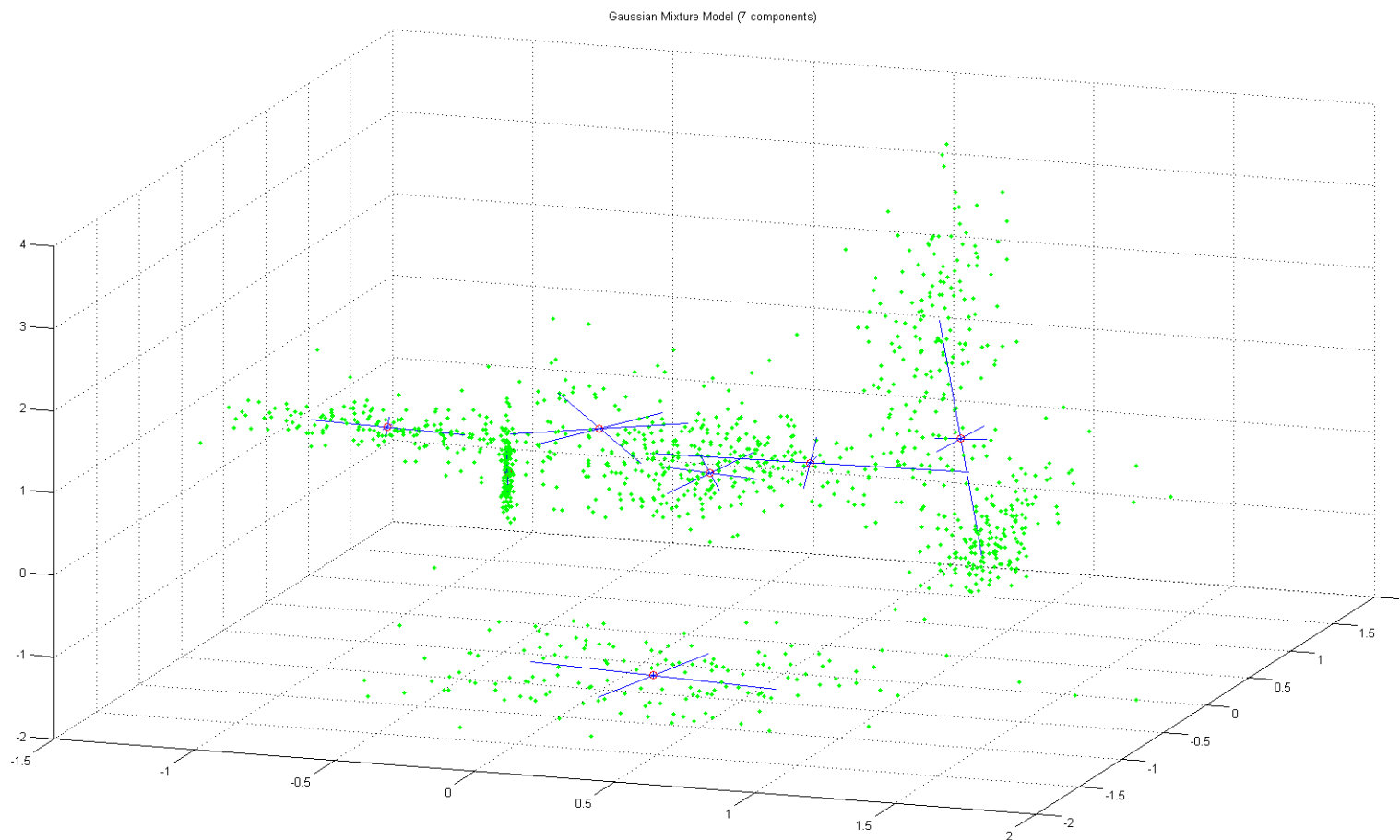
# Result for 5 Cluster



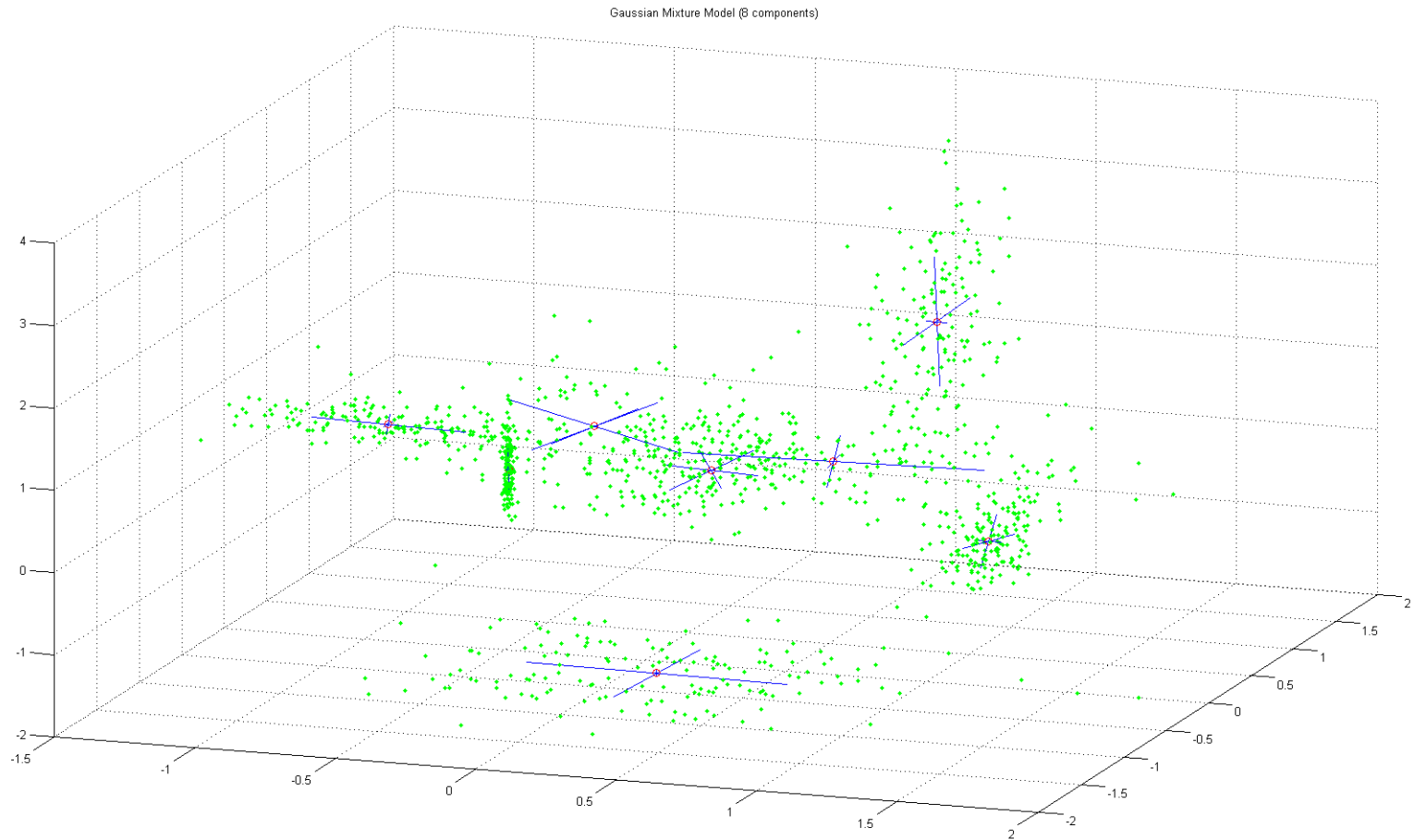
# Result for 6 Cluster



# Result for 7 Cluster



# Result for 8 Cluster





# Algorithm Outline (Just an information)

- Initialization of  $\Omega_0$ :  $\mu \leftarrow [0,0,0]^T$ ,  $\Sigma \leftarrow I$  (identity matrix)
- For  $c = 1, \dots, N_c$ 
  - $lastPX \leftarrow -\infty$
  - While  $(\log(PX) - lastPX > \varepsilon)$ 
    - $lastPX \leftarrow PX$
    - $p(y|x, \Omega) \leftarrow$  **E-Step**
    - $\Omega \leftarrow$  **M-Step**
  - Endwhile
  - $\Omega \leftarrow$  Initialize a new component
- Endfor

$$PX: p(\mathbf{x}|\Omega) = \prod_{i=1}^{N_x} \sum_{c=1}^{N_c} \alpha_i p(x_i|\Omega_c)$$

- Scalar value: Probability of a dataset  $\mathbf{x}$
- This value will be maximized during EM
- Used for decision when to stop iterating

# Task A

Algorithm is already implemented, but there are 3 functions missing. **Implement these functions:**

a. Function

$LnVectorProb = \text{CalcLnVectorProb}(\text{model}, \text{trainVect});$

calculates

$$\log(\alpha_c \cdot p(\mathbf{x}_i | \mu_c^k, \Sigma_c^k)) = \log(\alpha_c) - \frac{1}{2} [\log(|\Sigma_c^k|) + (\mathbf{x}_i - \mu_c)^T \Sigma_c^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_i - \mu_c)]$$

→ Log-probability of all feature vectors in all components

→  $LnVectorProb$ :  $N_c \times N_x$  array containing all possible  $\log(\alpha_c p(\mathbf{x}_i | \mu_c^k, \Sigma_c^k))$

→ Needed in E-step and also for other computations

# Task A

Algorithm is already implemented, but there are 3 functions missing. **Implement these functions:**

b. Function

$LnCompProb = \mathbf{GmmEStep}(model, trainVect)$

calculates

$$\log \left( p(y_i = c | x_i, \Omega_c^k) \right) = \log \left( \frac{\alpha_c p(x_i | \mu_c^k, \Sigma_c^k)}{\sum_{j=1}^{N_c} \alpha_j p(x_i | \mu_j^k, \Sigma_j^k)} \right)$$

- Also  $N_c \times N_x$  array
- Use **CalcLnVectorProb** here (*model*, *trainVect* only needed for this call!)
- Use *log*-values for computation and for the result!
- *LnCompProb* needed in M-step (function *GmmMStep*)

# Task A

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## C. Function

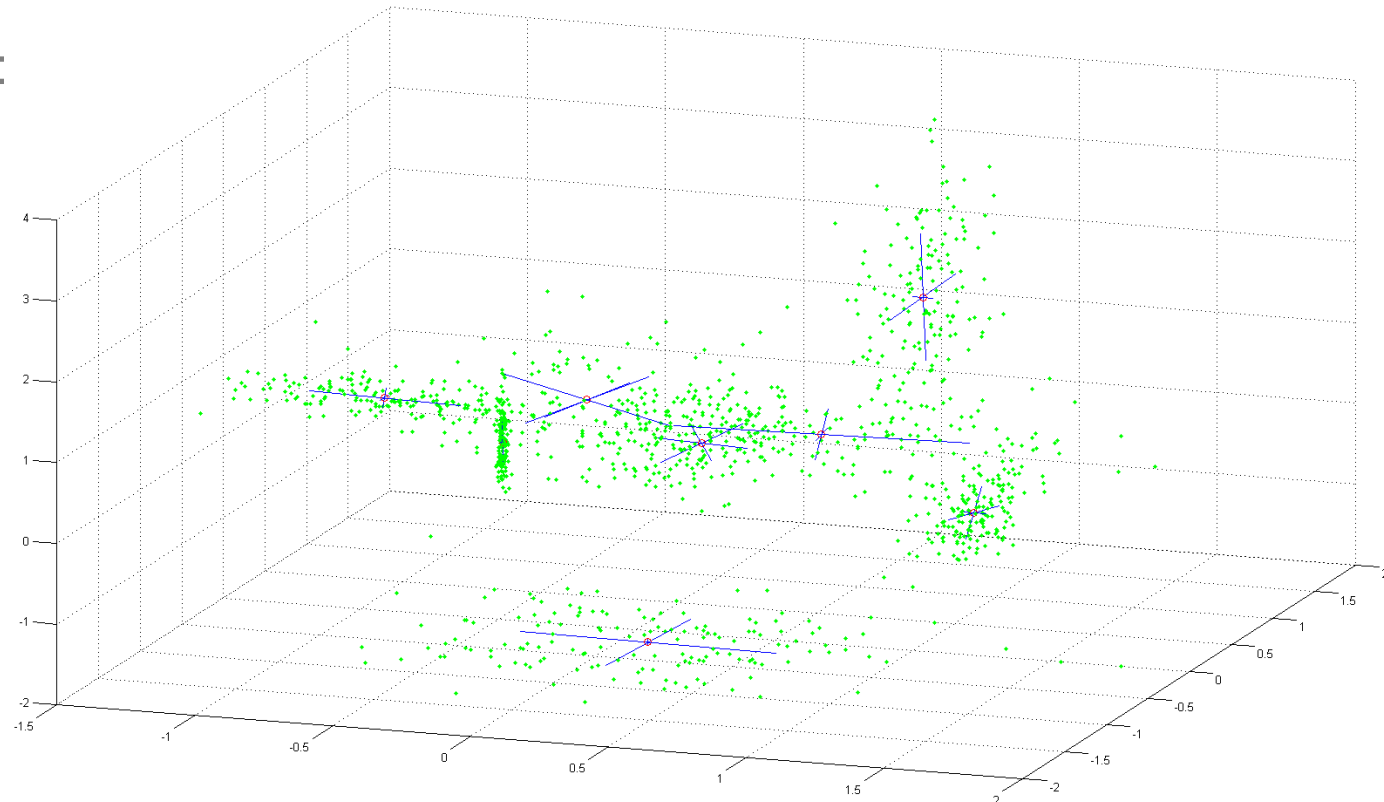
*model* = **GmmMStep**(*model*, *trainVect*, *LnCompProb*)

- calculates the new model parameters  $\Omega^{k+1}$  (see slide 22)
- Use *exp*-function to convert the values  $\log(p(y_i = c|x_i, \Omega_c^k))$  (*LnCompProb*) before computations

# Task A

## d. Test your implementation using provided function *TestGaussMixEM*:

- Generates  $n_{comp}$  normally distributed point clouds
- Applies *LearnGaussMixModel.m*
- Example Result:



# Task B: ML-Image Segmentation

**Idea:** computation of  $\log$ -Likelihood  $\log(\alpha_c p(x_i | \mu_c, \Sigma_c))$  for each pixel (feature vector)  
 → store the index of the cluster with the maximum value for each pixel

$$\log(\alpha_1 p(x_i | \mu_1, \Sigma_1)) = -130$$

$$\log(\alpha_2 p(x_i | \mu_2, \Sigma_2)) = -190$$

$$\log(\alpha_3 p(x_i | \mu_3, \Sigma_3)) = -110$$

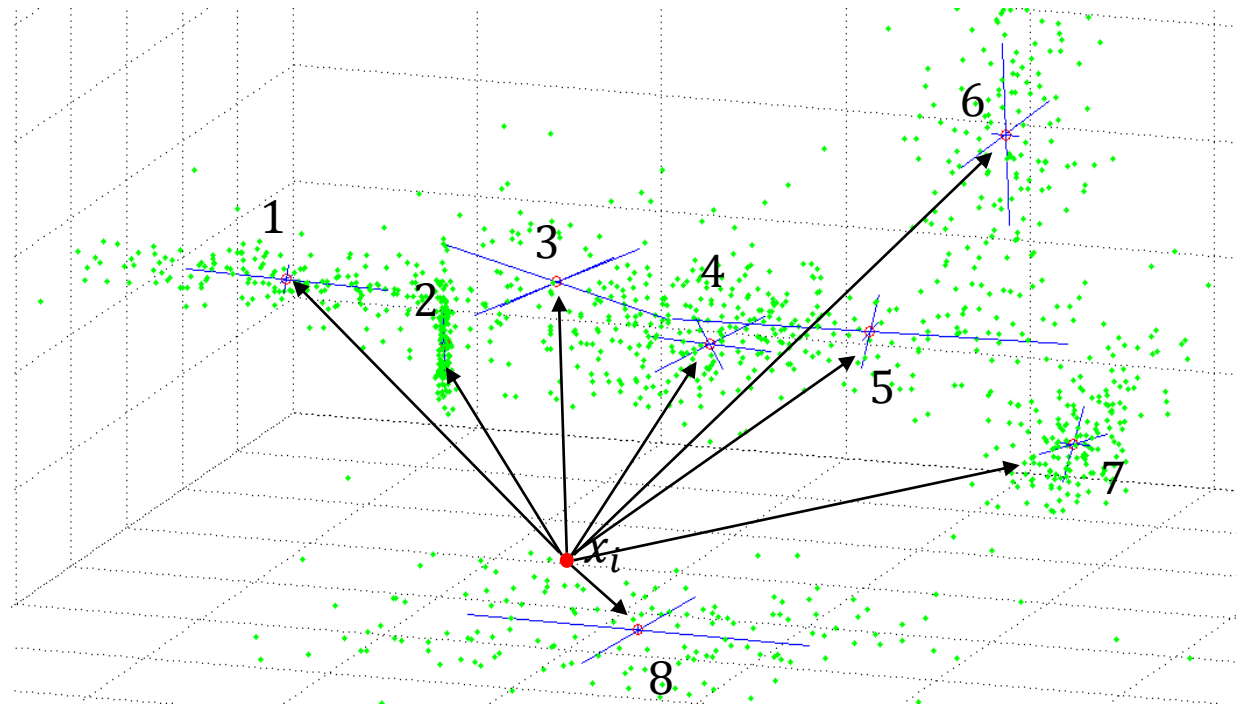
$$\log(\alpha_4 p(x_i | \mu_4, \Sigma_4)) = -90$$

$$\log(\alpha_5 p(x_i | \mu_5, \Sigma_5)) = -91$$

$$\log(\alpha_6 p(x_i | \mu_6, \Sigma_6)) = -221$$

$$\log(\alpha_7 p(x_i | \mu_7, \Sigma_7)) = -111$$

$$\log(\alpha_8 p(x_i | \mu_8, \Sigma_8)) = -16$$



→ According to ML-criterion, pixel  $x_i$  is member of cluster 8!

# Task B: ML-Image Segmentation

**a. Copy** your implemented function *CalcLnVectorProb* from Task A into the given file *ApplyGaussMixEM.m*

→ Needed for the ML-Segmentation

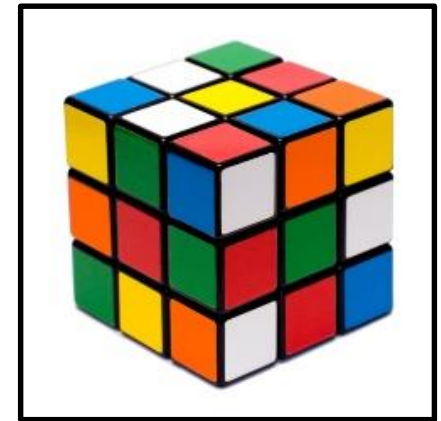
**b. Run** *ApplyGaussMixEM* and use the provided image *inputEx6.jpg* as input

→ Generates a subset of feature vectors from image

→ Learns a GMM

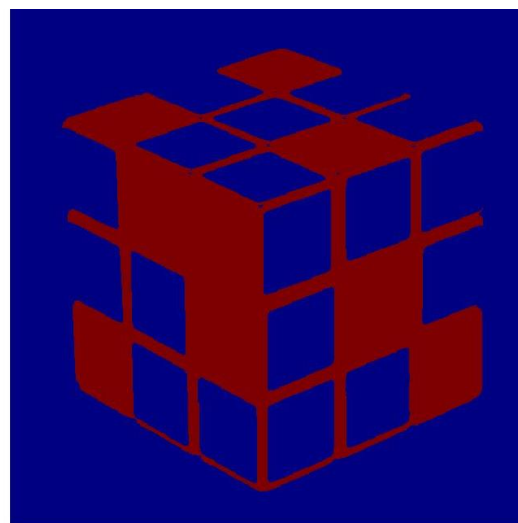
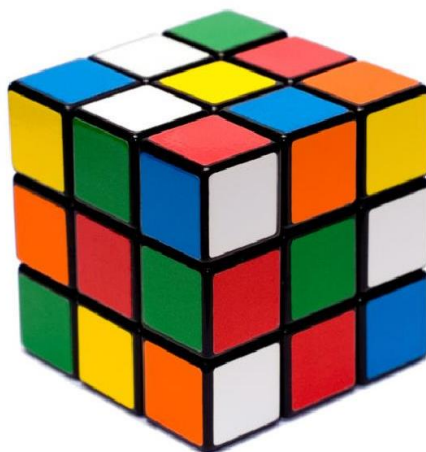
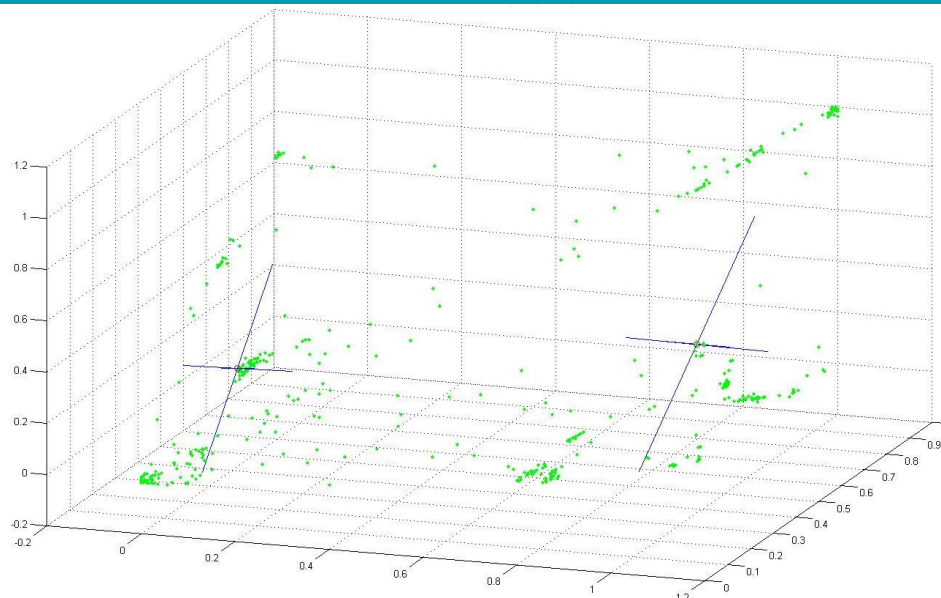
→ Classifys all pixels using ML-criterion

→ Plots the segmentation result



**c. Vary** the parameter  $n_{comp}$  (see source code of *ApplyGaussMixEM*). Which number is suitable for the given image? Can you observe any problems in segmenting the image?

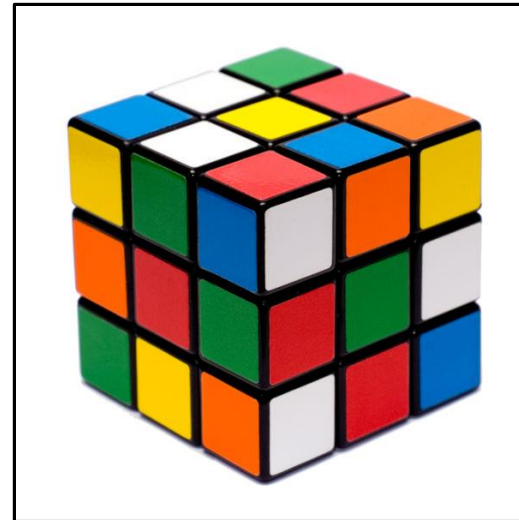
# Task B: Example result, $n_{comp} = 2$





# Provided Data (See CV-Homepage)

- **Matlab** source
  - *LearnGaussMixModel.m* → For implementation of A
  - *TestGaussMixEM.m* → For testing of A
  - *ApplyGaussMixEM.m* → For classification in B
- **Octave** source
  - *ApplyGaussMixEM\_octave.m*
  - *LearnGaussMixModel.m*, *TestGaussMixEM.m* also work in Octave
- **Image:** *inputEx6.jpg*



# Task A: Implementation Details

## Given:

- *LearnGaussMixModel.m*
  - EM-algorithm outline
  - Initialization and Splitting
  - Visualization
  - **Function dummies for implementation:**
    - *CalcLnVectorProb*
    - *GmmEStep*
    - *GmmMStep*

# Task A: Implementation Details

## Inputs *CalcLnVectorProb*:

- *model*: Structure with current model parameters (**already present**)
  - *model.weight*: Vector with cluster weights
  - *model.weight(c)*: Weight  $\alpha_c$  of component  $c$   $\log \left( \alpha_c \cdot p(x_i | \mu_c^k, \Sigma_c^k) \right)$
  - *model.mean*: Mean vectors  $\mu$  of all components
  - *model.mean(c,:)*: Mean vector  $\mu_c$  (3 elements) of component  $c$
  - *model.covar*: Covariance matrices  $\Sigma$  of all components
  - ***squeeze(model.covar(c,:,:))***: Covariance matrix  $\Sigma_c$  ( $3 \times 3$  elements) of component  $c$
- *trainVect*:
  - Feature (or training) vectors (**given**)
  - *trainVect(i,:)*: 3-element feature vector

# Task A: Implementation Details

## Inputs *GmmEStep*:

- *model*: Structure with current model parameters (see above)
- *trainVect*: Feature (or training) vectors (see above)

## Inputs *GmmMStep*:

- *model*: Structure with current model parameters (see above)
- *trainVect*: Feature (or training) vectors (see above)
- *LnCompProb*: Output of E-Step

# Rules for Log-Value Computations

- $\log(a \cdot b) = \log(a) + \log(b)$
- $\log(a + b)$ : no mathematical rule using  $\log(a)$  and  $\log(b)$ !  
→  $\log(\exp(a) + \exp(b))$
- $\log\left(\frac{a}{b}\right) = \log(a) - \log(b)$
- $\log(\exp(a)) = a$
- $\log(a^b) = b \cdot \log(a)$



**Thank you!**