

DBSCAN & GMM

[Clustering]

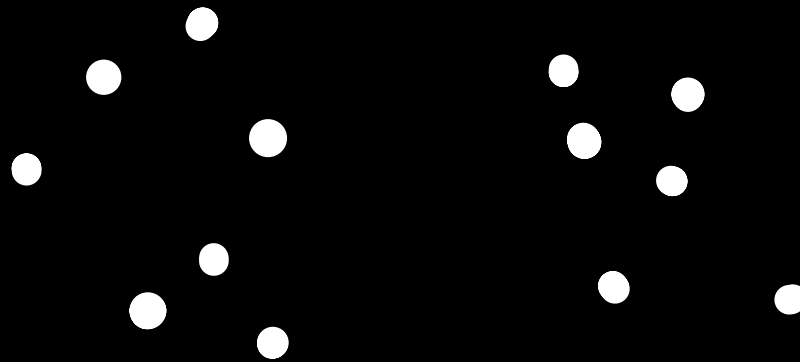
→ 2 new ideas !!

→ Comparison of algorithms

ML-2 is a good place to see how we think of algorithms. For the same problem we have seen 2 ideas:

Kmeans: Distance from centroids

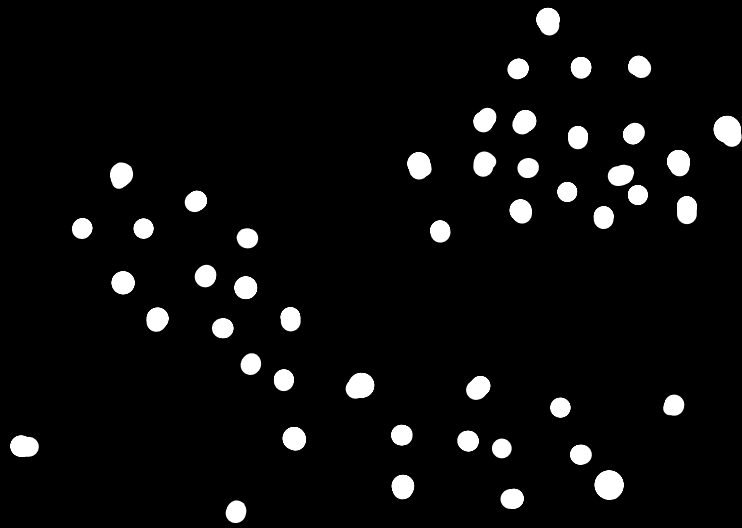
Hierarchical: Join closest points ...



Let's look at 2 more ideas today.

DBSCAN → 3rd big idea

Density based spacial clustering application
with noise.



Q: Do you think KMeans will

↳ work?
No

Idea:

→ if a point is surrounded by

Q: How many
clusters do you
see?

a) 1

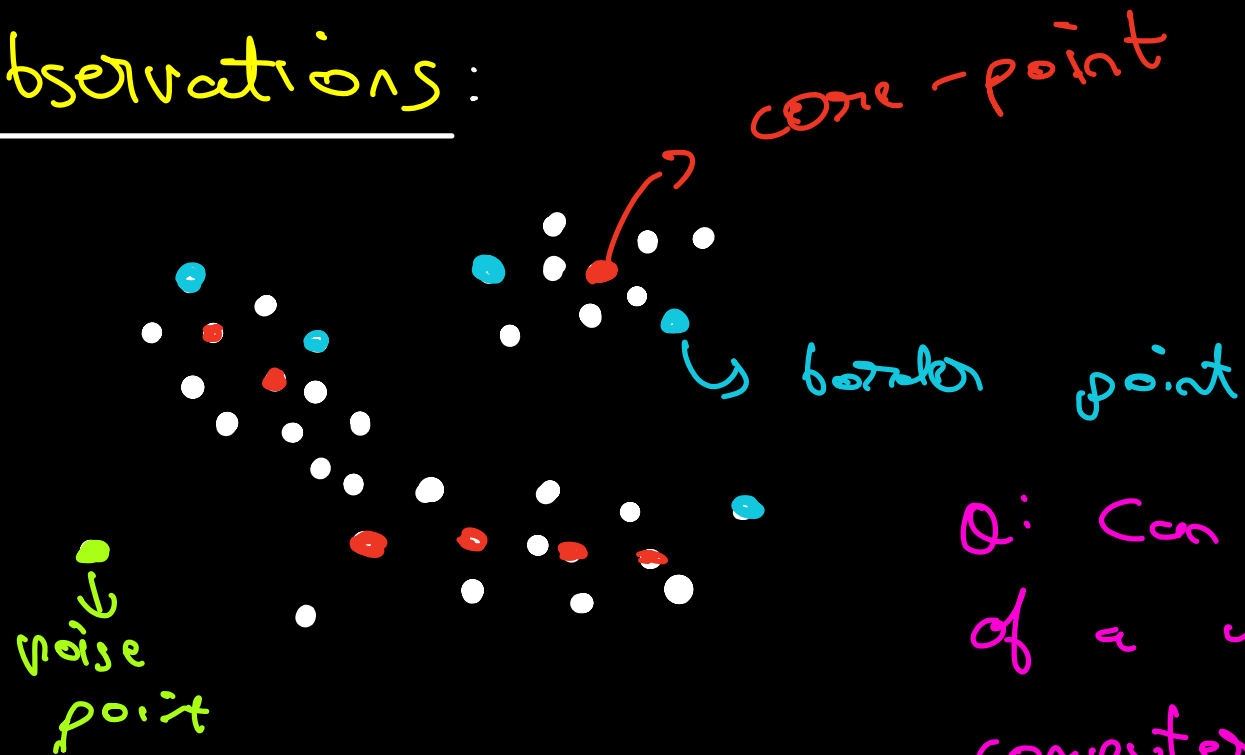
b) 2

c) 3

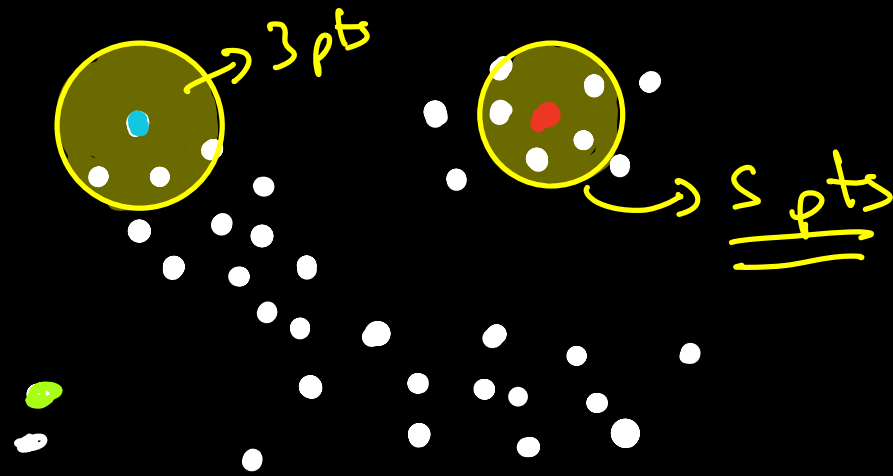
d) 4

many other points its in the cluster!!

Observations:



Q: Can you think of a way for a computer to find these??



→ Draw a circle of radius ϵ

→ Count # pts in circle

→ if #pts $>$ min pts

↳ core pt
else

↳ non-core pt.

→ if any non-core pt is inside circle of any core pt, then → border pt

else

→ noise pt

→ animation

→ categorise each pt into

→ core

→ border

→ noise



Join them based on
neighbours, don't join
2 separate borders,

Pros:

→ works with arbitrary shapes

→ No need to decide 'K'

Cons:

→ Does not work well with sparse
points (high dim)

→ needs entire data set for
inference.

→ code

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QUESTION

→ Time complexity : $O(n^2)$
↓
need to calc distances
of all points w.r.t all

ANSWER

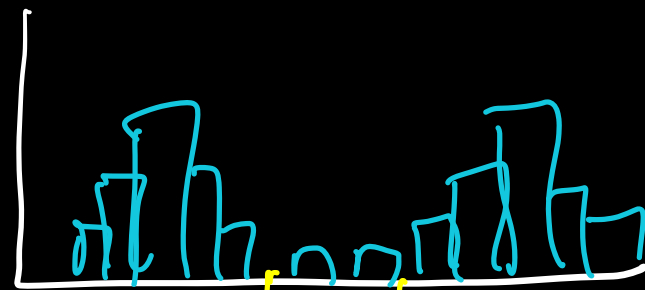
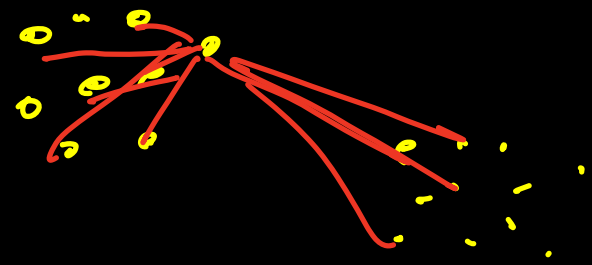
Deciding epsilon [Extra]

One way to estimate ϵ for far away clusters is:

→ Calc distances between each point

→ plot a histogram of those distances

→ You may get 2 peaks, ϵ is b/w these peaks.



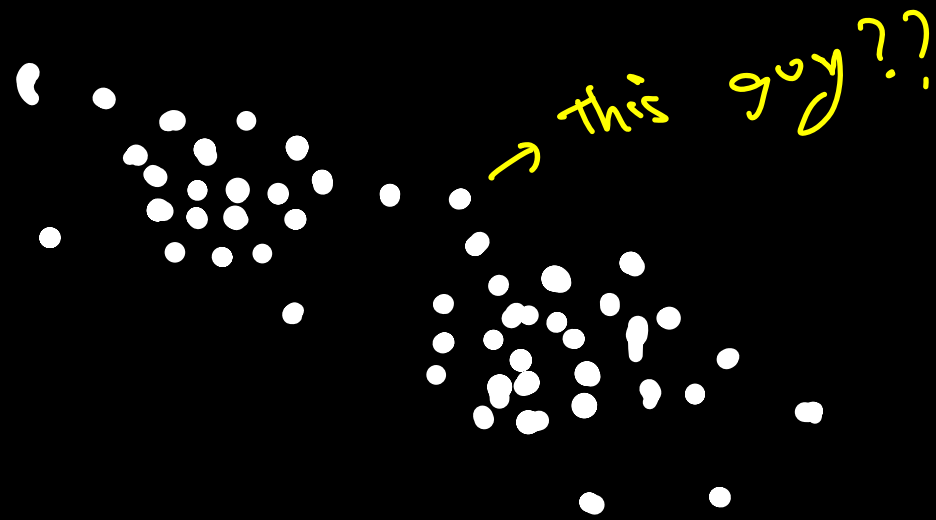
ϵ → starting pt

Gaussian Mixture Models

Soft Clustering \rightarrow 4th big idea!

Problem: With classification algos I could get probabilities. How do I get probability of a pt belonging to a cluster?

Q: Any ideas??



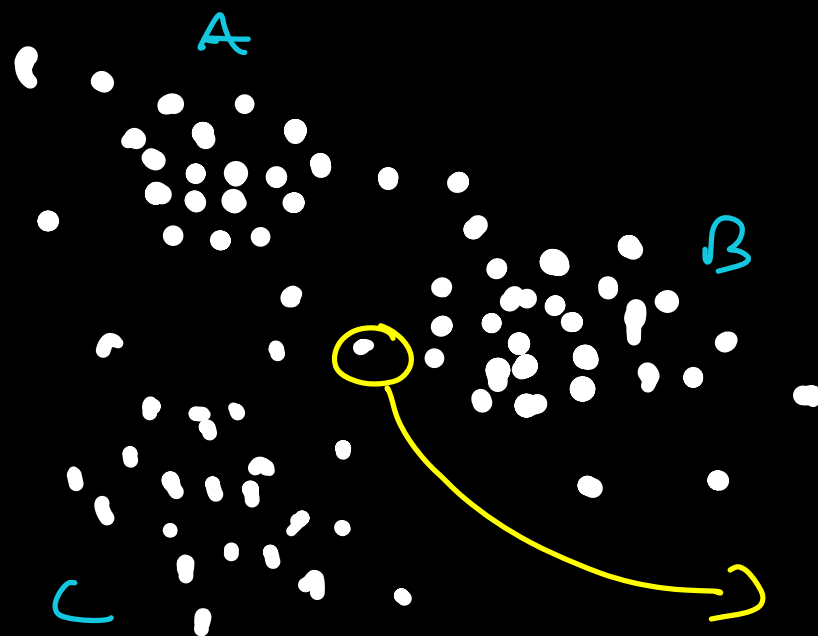
Q! How many clusters do you see?

→ In business we can make multiple policies:

→ Eg: A Rich / Premium — More ads

B Medium — discounts + ads

C Discount lovers — More discounts



closest to B
then to C
then to A

Q: So what % of ads and discount
do I give to this guy?

xi \rightarrow 50% B 20% A 30% C

$$= 0.5(\text{Dis} + \text{Ads}) + 0.2(\text{Ads}) + 0.3(\text{Dis})$$

$$= 0.8(\text{Dis}) + 0.7(\text{Ads})$$

$$= \frac{0.8}{0.7+0.8} (\text{Discount}) + \frac{0.7}{0.7+0.8} (\text{Ads})$$

$$= 53\% \text{ Discount}$$

$$= 47\% \text{ Ads}$$

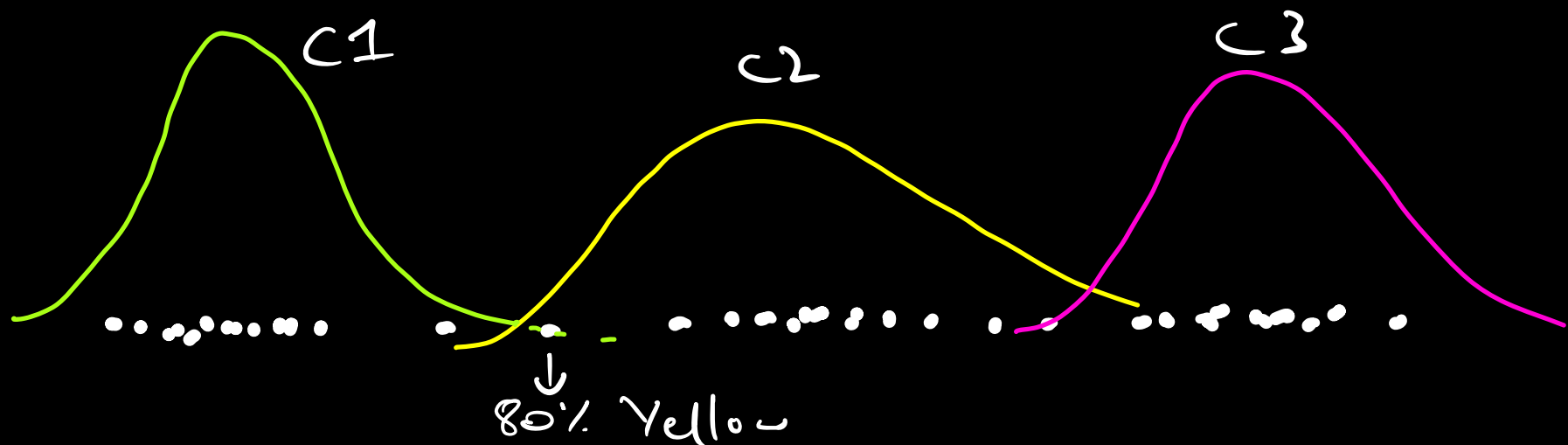
Whatever budget we have for customer, for this guy we should spend 53% on Discounts, 47% on Ads.

Idea: Use n -d gaussian dist to express clusters!!

Lets discuss this in 1-d first



Q: How many clusters?



19% Green

1% Pink

Q: What do you need for gaussian?

→ μ, σ

↳ I want 3 clusters:

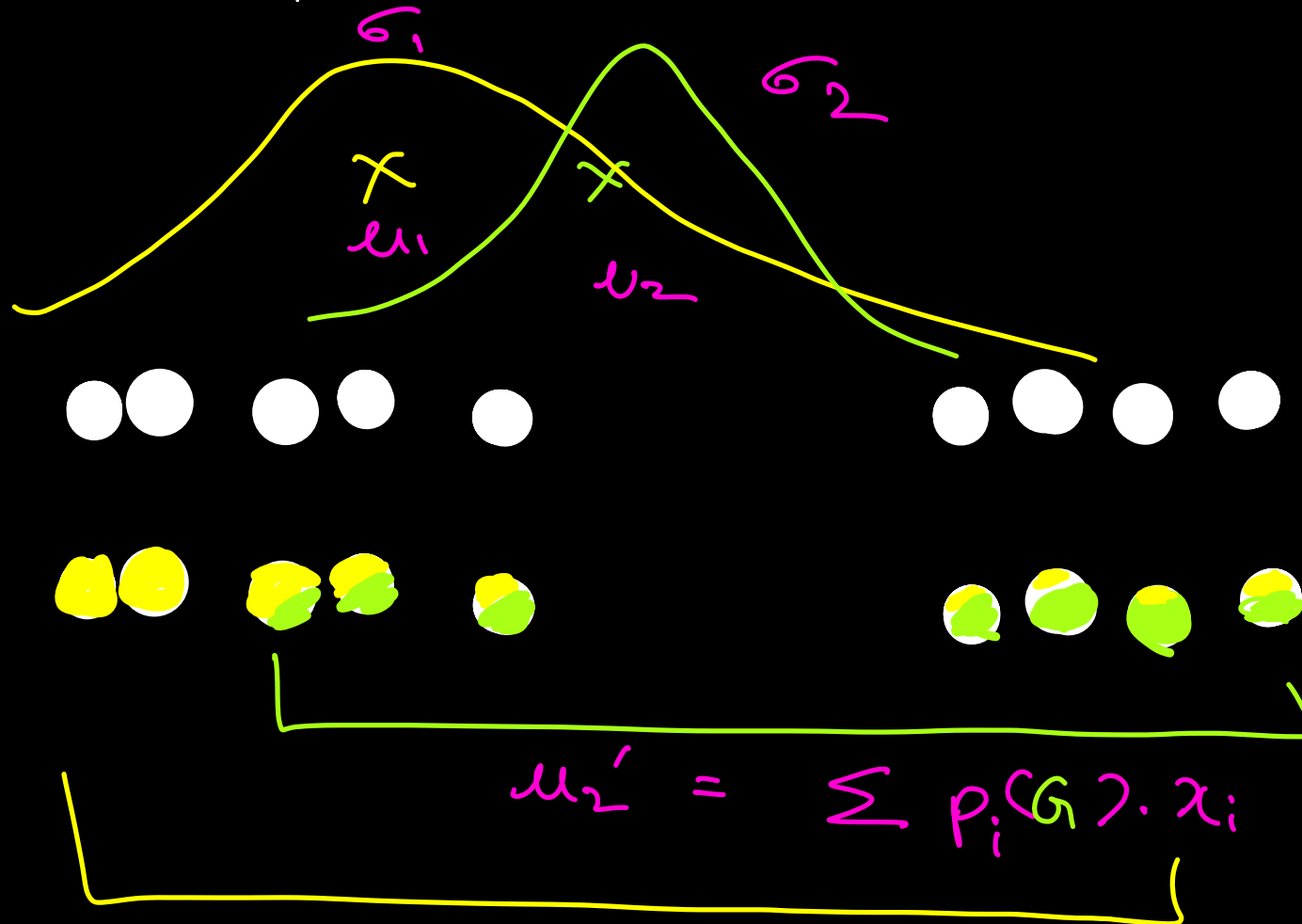
μ_1 μ_2 μ_3

σ_1 σ_2 σ_3

Algorithm:

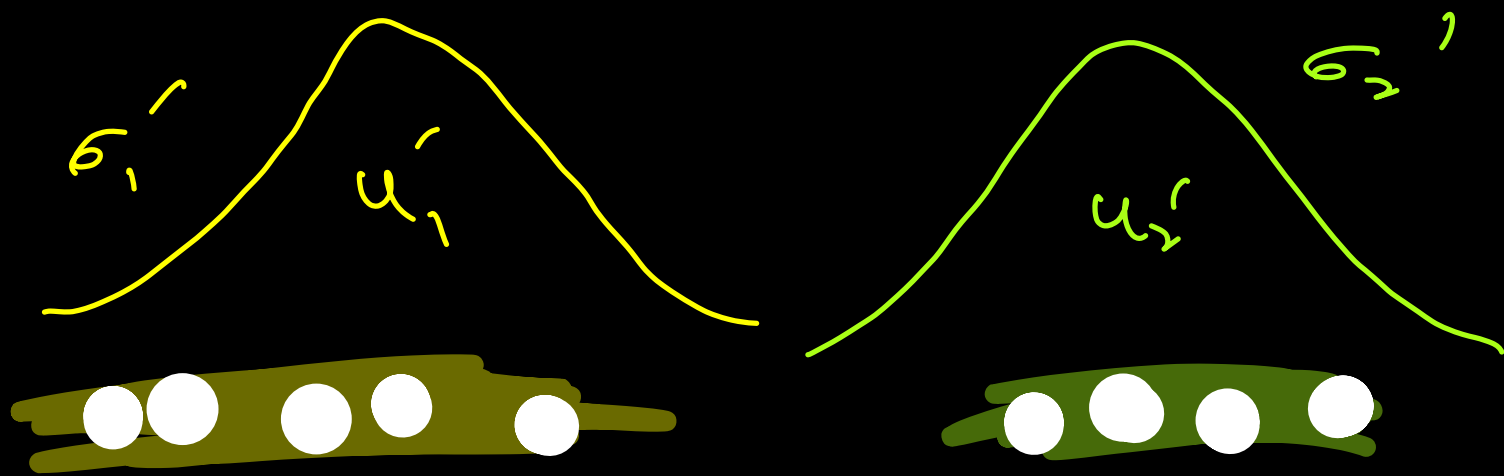
Very similar to K-means

→ Random μ, σ initialise



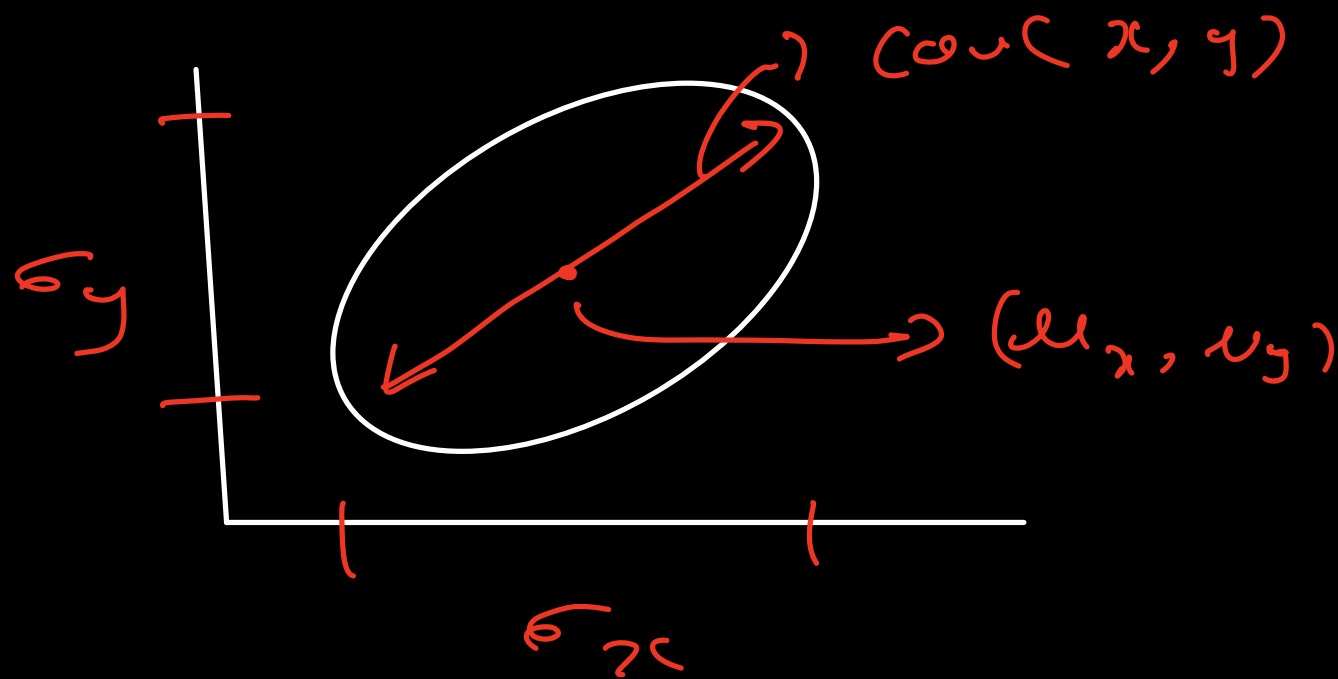
$$\mu_1' = \sum p_i(Y) \cdot x_i$$

$$\sigma_j' = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i \in C_j} (x_i - \bar{x}_j)^2}$$



After multiple updates, you will have tightly fitting gaussians.

2D Gaussians!



params to update = 5

↓
Same algo

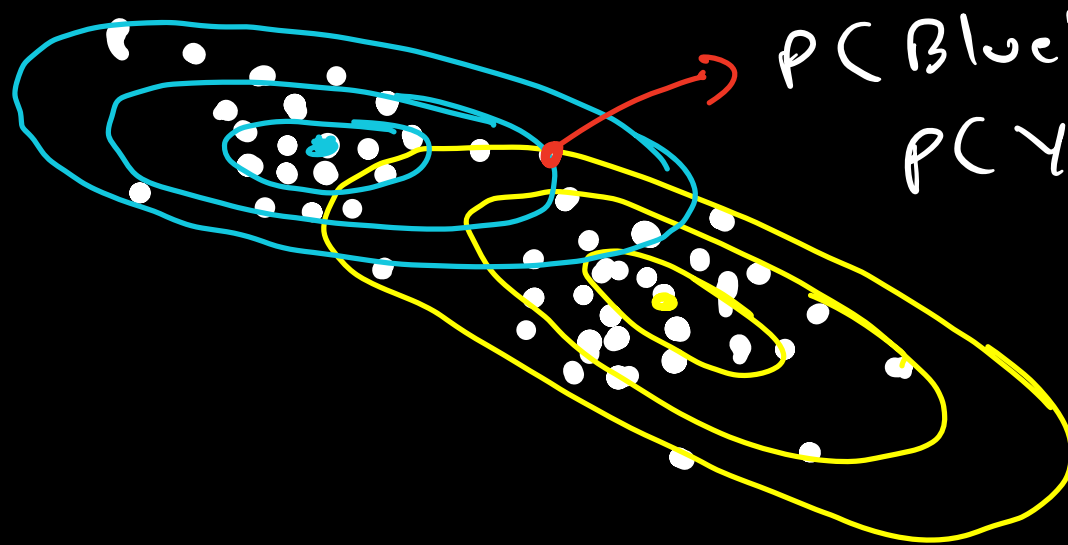
$\mu_x, \mu_y, \sigma_x, \sigma_y, \rho_{xy}$

How to get these probabilities?



Gaussian Distributions

→ Modeling choice,
you could create
a variation with
another dist.



$P(\text{Blue})$

$P(\text{Yellow})$

→ 2D Gaussian

→ variations

→ code

Pros and Cons are similar to KMeans

Results are also very similar

Extra Pro:

→ May work with diff size clusters
because we also have control over
variance, i.e size of clusters

→ May work with hyper-elliptical shapes
too. [Kmeans can't]