

# Data analysis and model classification

## Introduction - Unsupervised Learning

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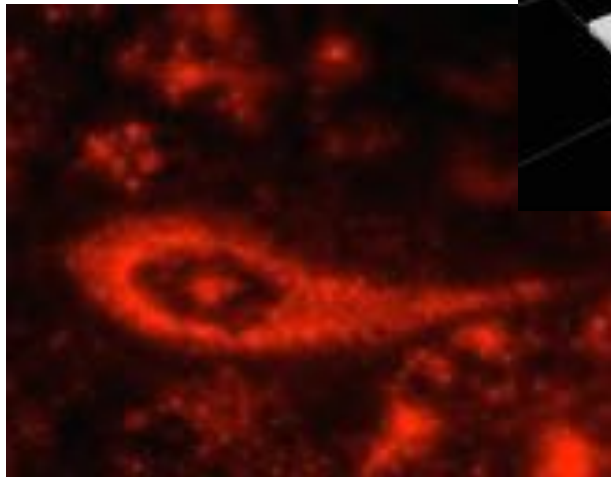
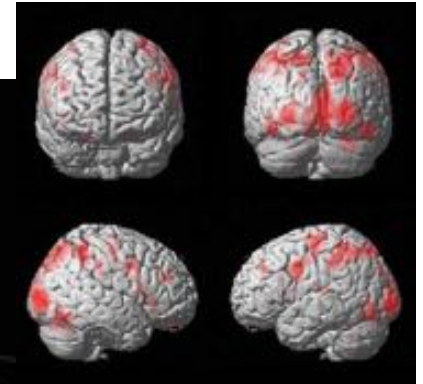
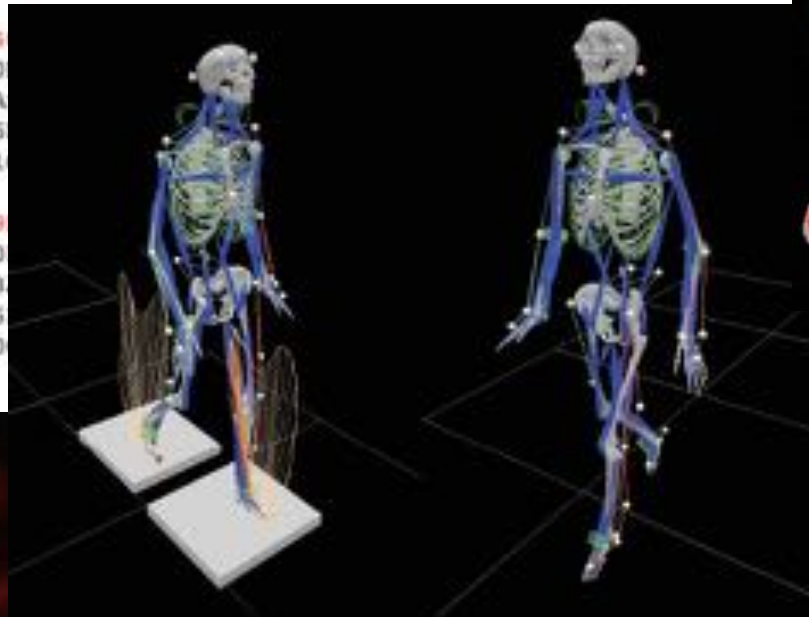
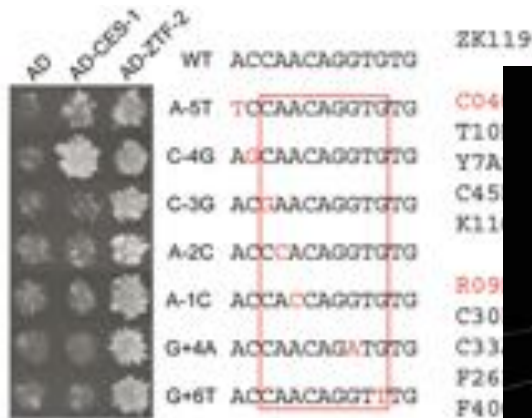
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Exercises: INF1 Mon 17h15-19h00

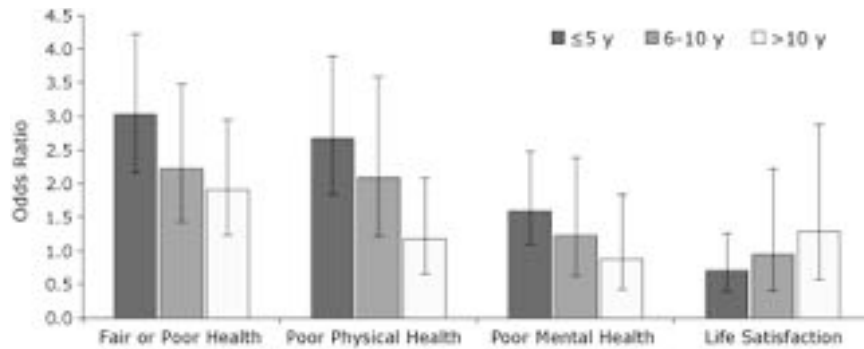
**Note:** For the practical work you're supposed to  
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# Motivation

- Current technology allows for the acquisition of large amounts of data

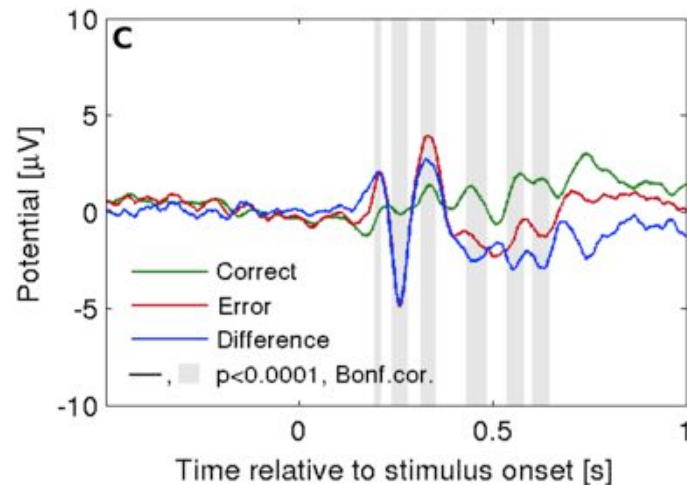


# Motivation



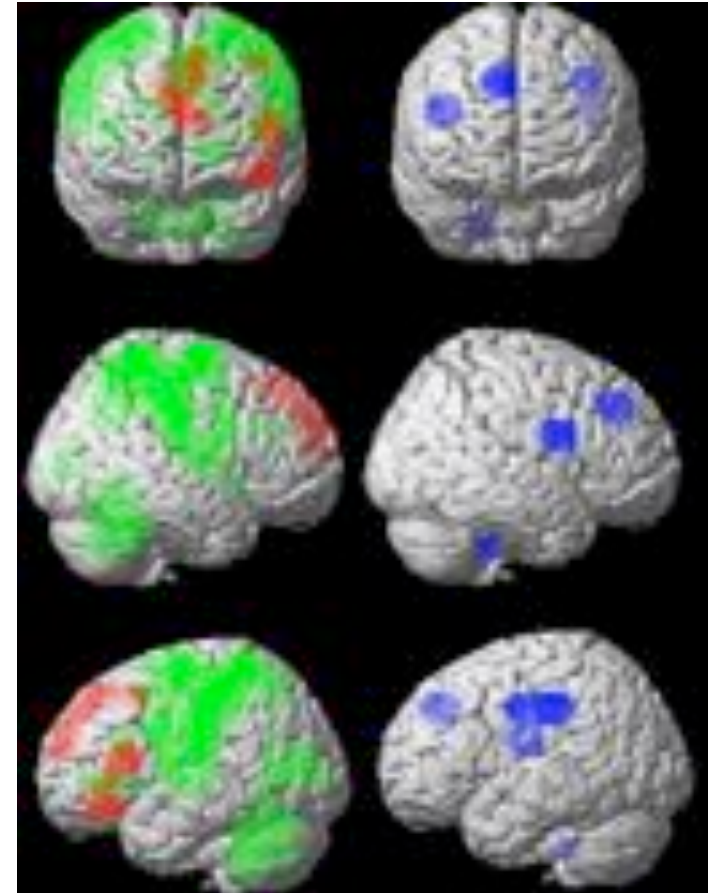
Health status and quality of life among cancer survivors, by the time since diagnosis.

Fairley et al., 2010



EEG activity (FCz) electrode after correct and erroneous feedback. Gray bars show periods where differences are statistically significant.

Chavarriaga et al., 2014



Left: Different 3D views of regions of relative higher activity during truth-telling (green) and lying (red).

Right: Areas in which functional activity was found to be most informative in terms of pattern classification.

Davatzikos et al., 2005

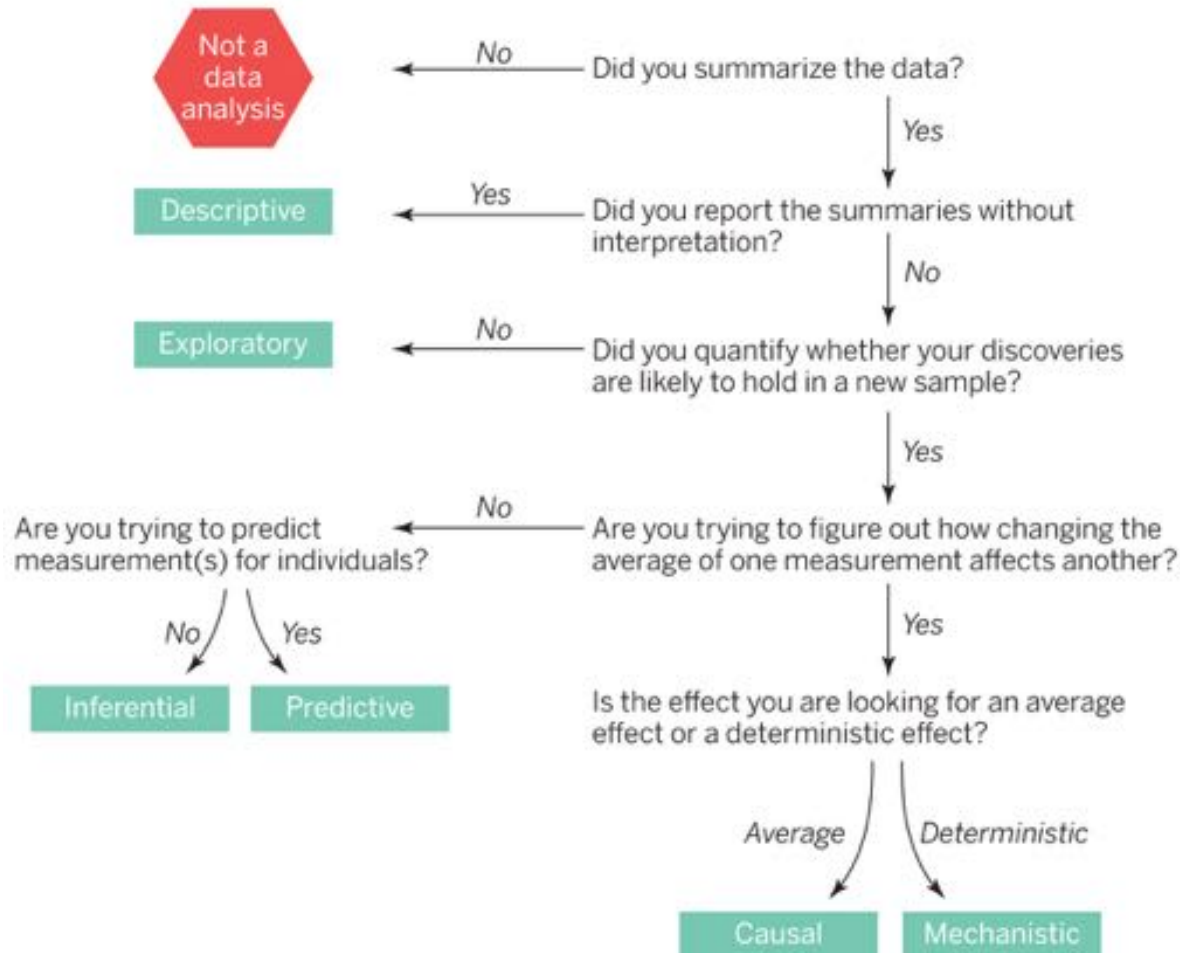
**BRACE YOURSELF**



**DATA IS COMING**

# Data analysis: what for?

## Data analysis flowchart





# Machine learning

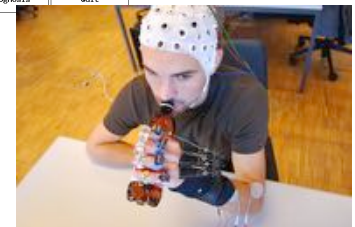
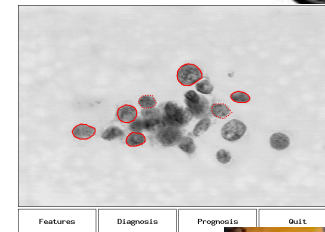
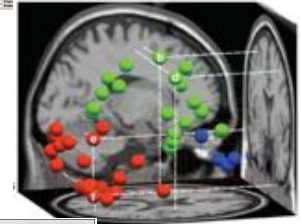
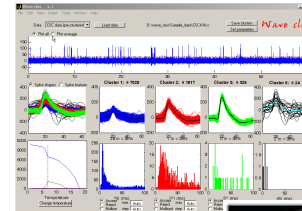
*“Algorithms capable of learning to improve their performance of a task on the basis of the previous experience (empirical data)”*

*“A learner can take advantage of examples (data) to capture characteristics of interest of their unknown underlying probability distribution”*

**Related fields** include: probability theory and statistics, data mining, pattern recognition

# This course is NOT about...

- Brain-computer interfaces or neuroprosthetics
- Robotics
- Bioinformatics
- Other specific applications
- Signal processing
- Programming or matlab skills







There will be work...

# Course structure

- Grading
  - Written exam (2/3)
  - Exercises (1/3)
- Practical work. Teaching assistants
  - Ruslan Aydharkhanov
  - Bastien Orset
  - Julien Rechenmann
- No textbook
  - Lecture notes
  - Suggested reading material be provided
  - Moodle
- Contact: [damc@listes.epfl.ch](mailto:damc@listes.epfl.ch)

# Practical work

Three mini-projects (3 people/group)

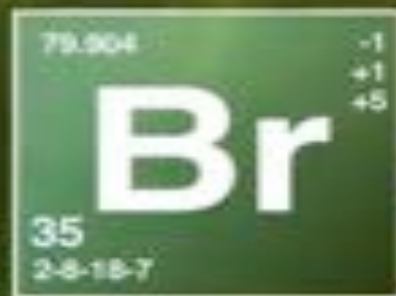
1. Unsupervised learning and model validation (25% grade). Report: 5<sup>th</sup> week
2. Supervised classification (50% grade). Report: 10<sup>th</sup> week
3. Regression (25%) 13<sup>th</sup> week

TA sessions provide support to develop the projects (guidelines provided every week). Written report (max 12 pages) handed in **at the end of each project**

Groups members should be submitted on the **2nd October**

We encourage the use of the **forum in moodle** to find solutions to your questions. When posting to the forum, mind to make clear, well-explained questions.

TAs won't reply to questions before two working days after post to allow students to post their answers or hypothesis.



reaking



Data



Mr. White



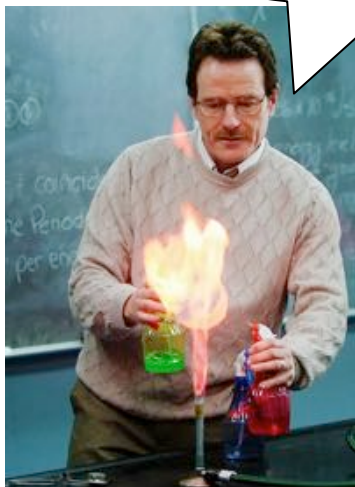
J. Pinkman



Heisenberg



Chemistry is the  
study of matter



Mr. White



Yo, B!7Ç#!!



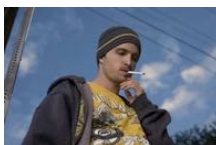
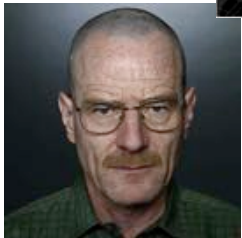
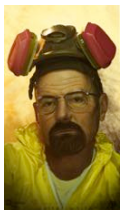
J. Pinkman



I'm the one  
who knocks!!

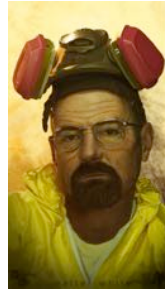
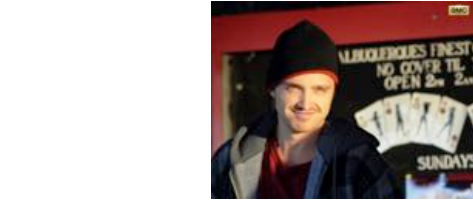
Heisenberg

# Facial hair





Facial hair



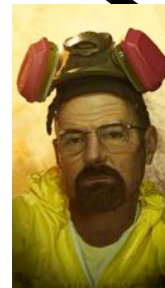
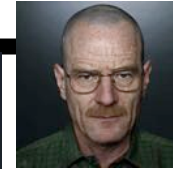
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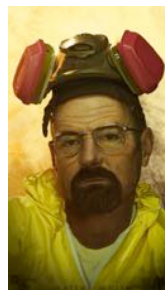
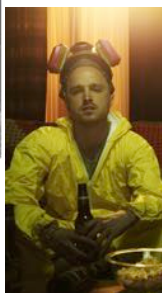
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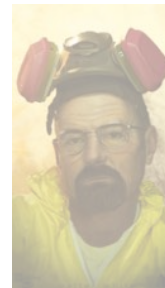
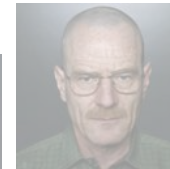
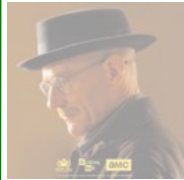
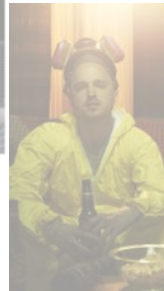
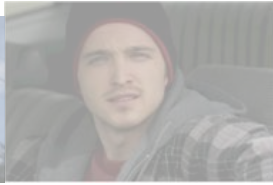
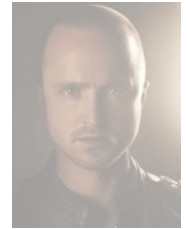
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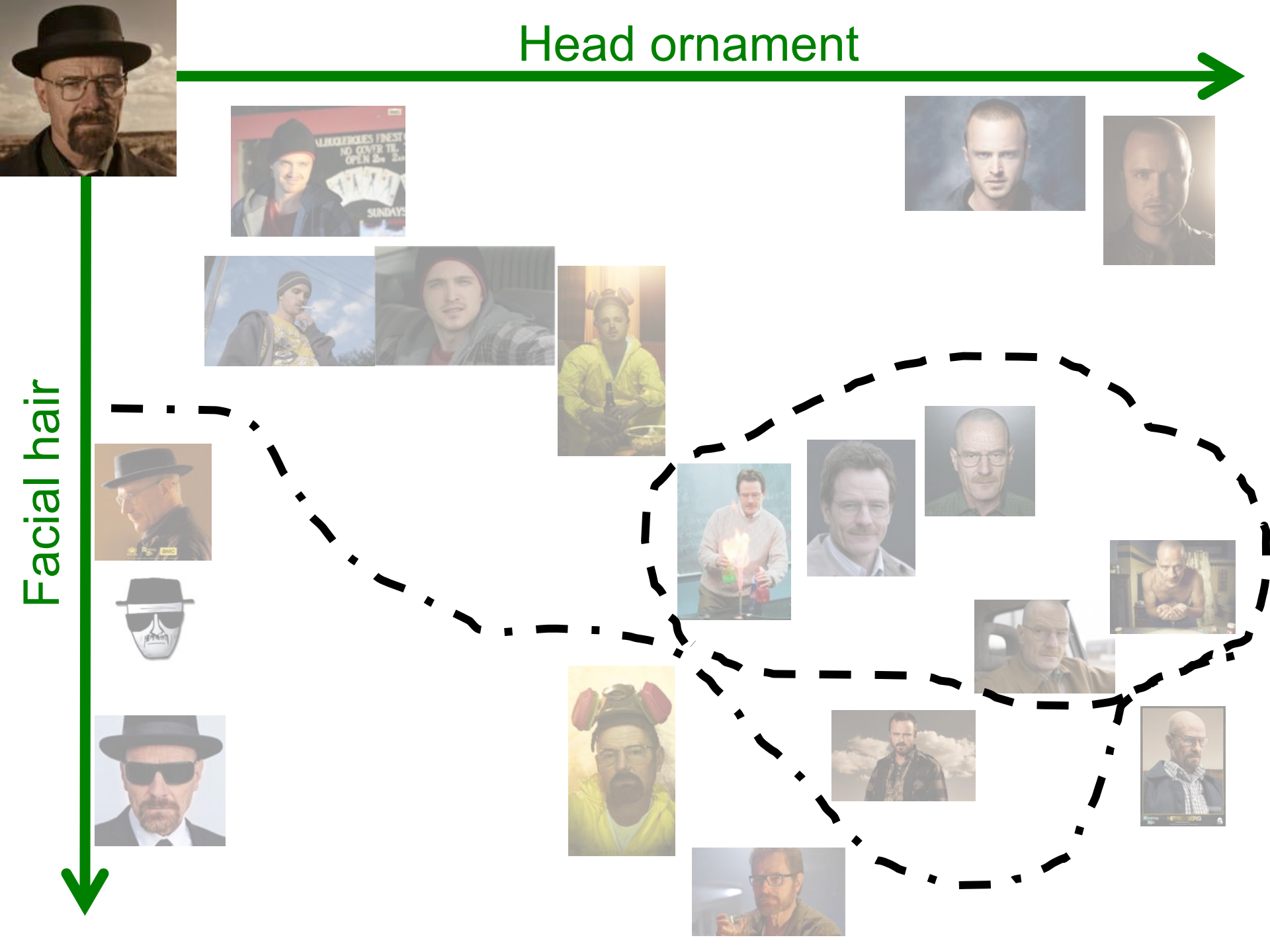
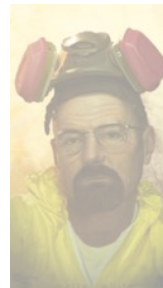
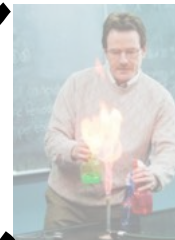
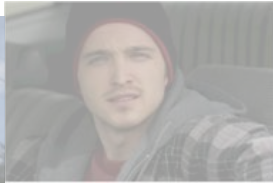
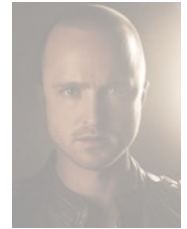
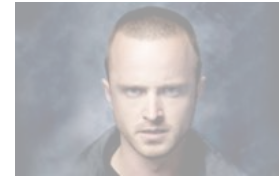
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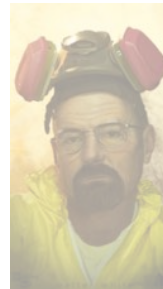
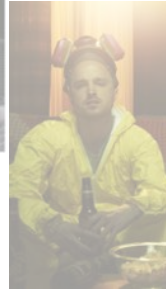
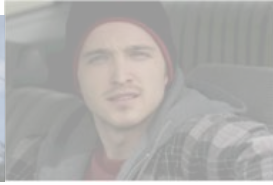
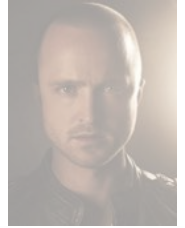
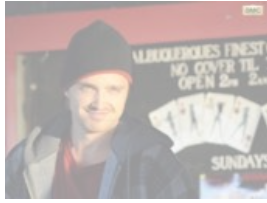
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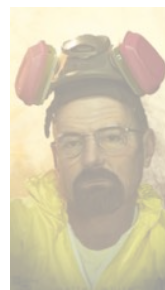
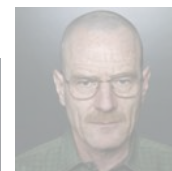
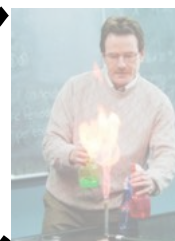
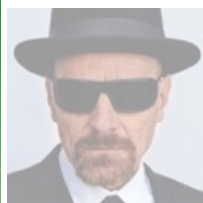
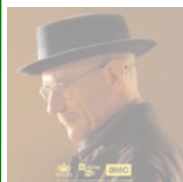
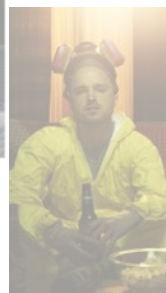
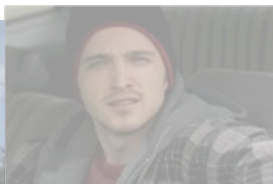
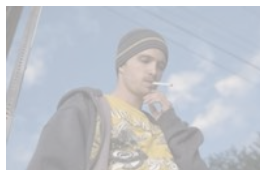
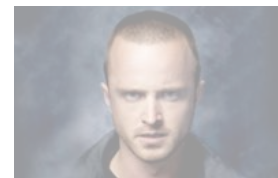
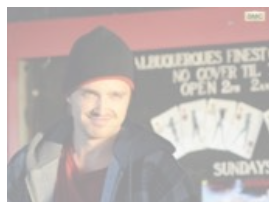
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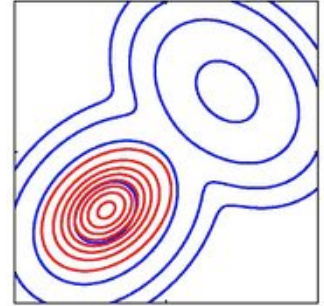
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- Unsupervised learning
  - Model the data distribution without desired target values



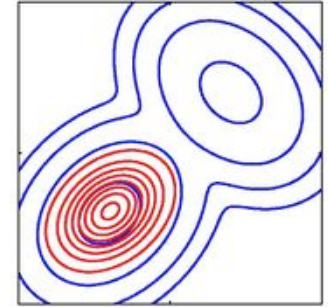
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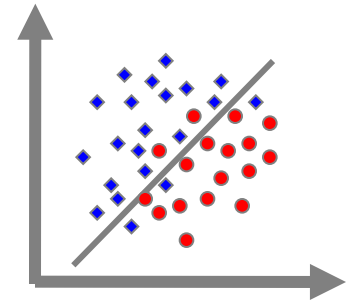
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- Supervised learning

- Learning by examples (inputs and corresponding target values)
- Minimization of an explicit error function



# Supervised Learning

## Training data

Input	Target Output
	Punk
	Glam rock
	Grunge
	Punk
	Grunge
	Glam rock

## Test



Learning system

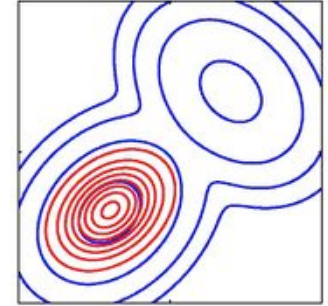


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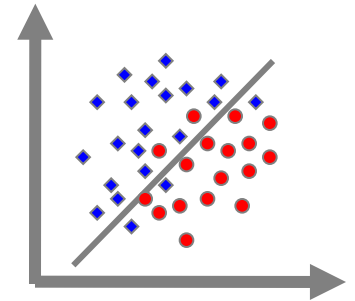
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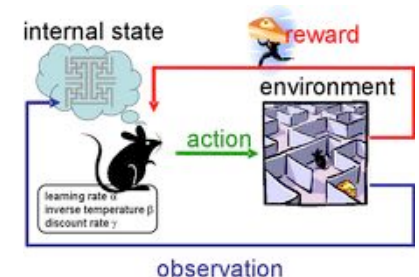
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- Semi-supervised learning

- Information about the performance is provided without explicitly providing target values



# Course structure

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2	<b>Introduction:</b> Unsupervised machine learning, K-means
3	<b>Unsupervised learning:</b> Mixture Gaussian Models / Cross-validation
4	<b>Statistical pattern recognition</b>
5	<b>Supervised learning:</b> Linear classifiers
6	<b>Feature selection:</b> Filters, Wrappers
7	<b>Decision Trees</b>
8	<b>Dimensionality reduction:</b> Principal Component Analysis, Fisher
9	<b>Dimensionality reduction:</b> Self-Organizing Maps
10	<b>Regression methods:</b> Linear methods, Statistical approaches
11	<b>Regression methods:</b> Advanced issues
12	<b>Temporal pattern recognition:</b> Hidden Markov Models
13	<b>Temporal pattern recognition :</b> Hidden Markov Models
14	<b>Case study and Q&amp;A</b>



# Unsupervised learning

Labels are not available

Discover separate sub-classes (clusters) of data that are similar to each other

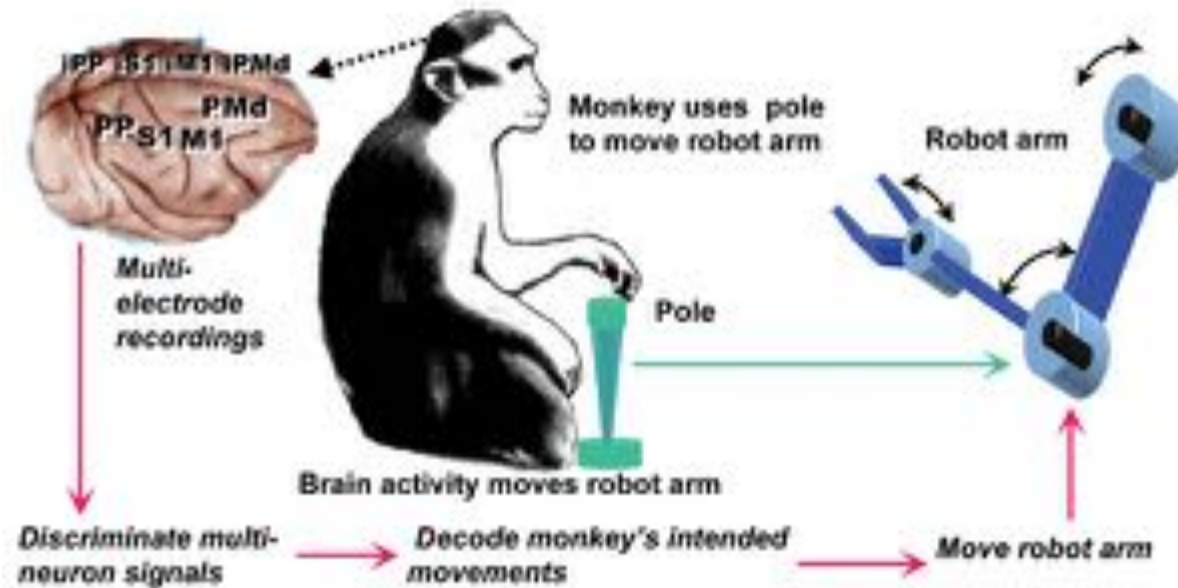
Characterize the structure of the data. Estimate its probability density function



# Example: Neuroprosthetics



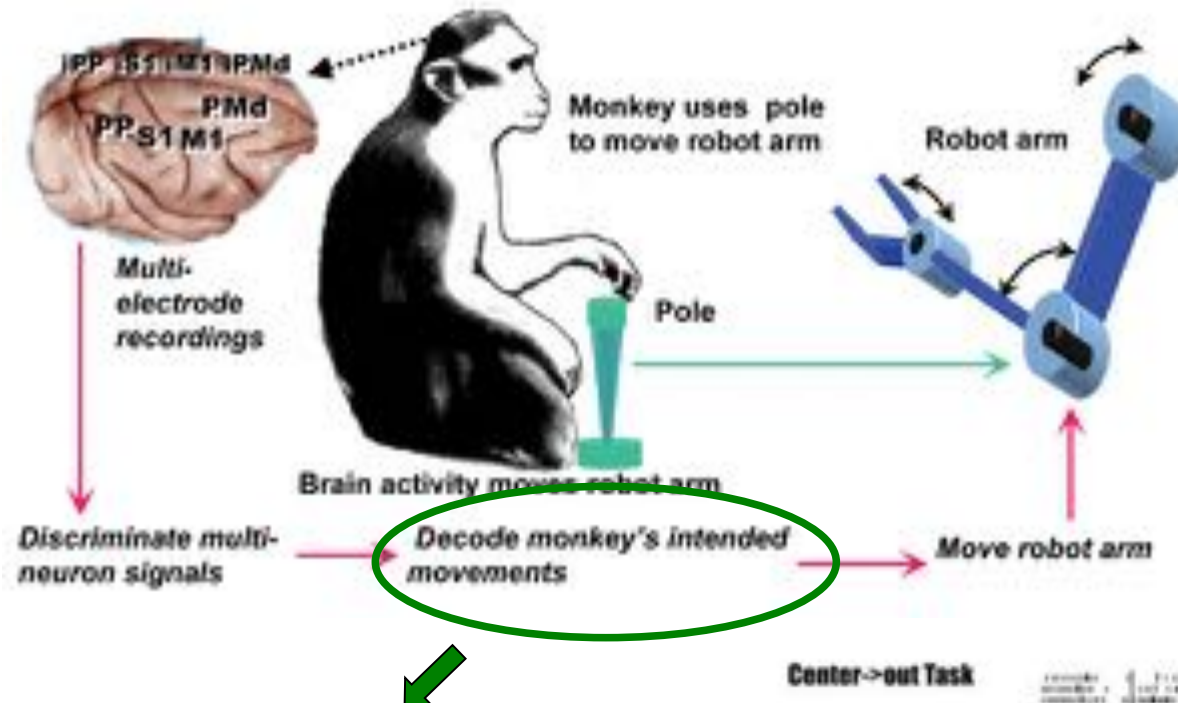
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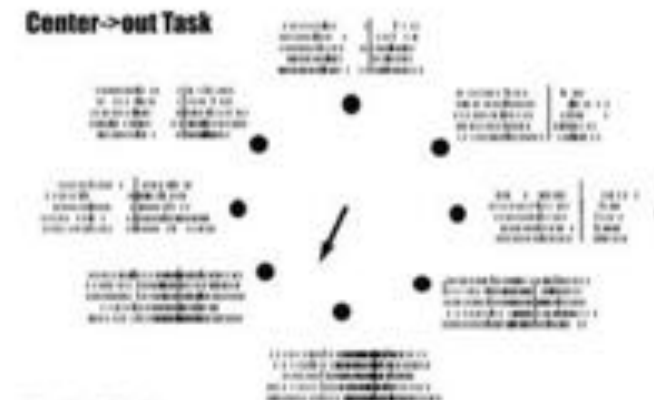
Goal:

Decode arm movement direction from neural activity

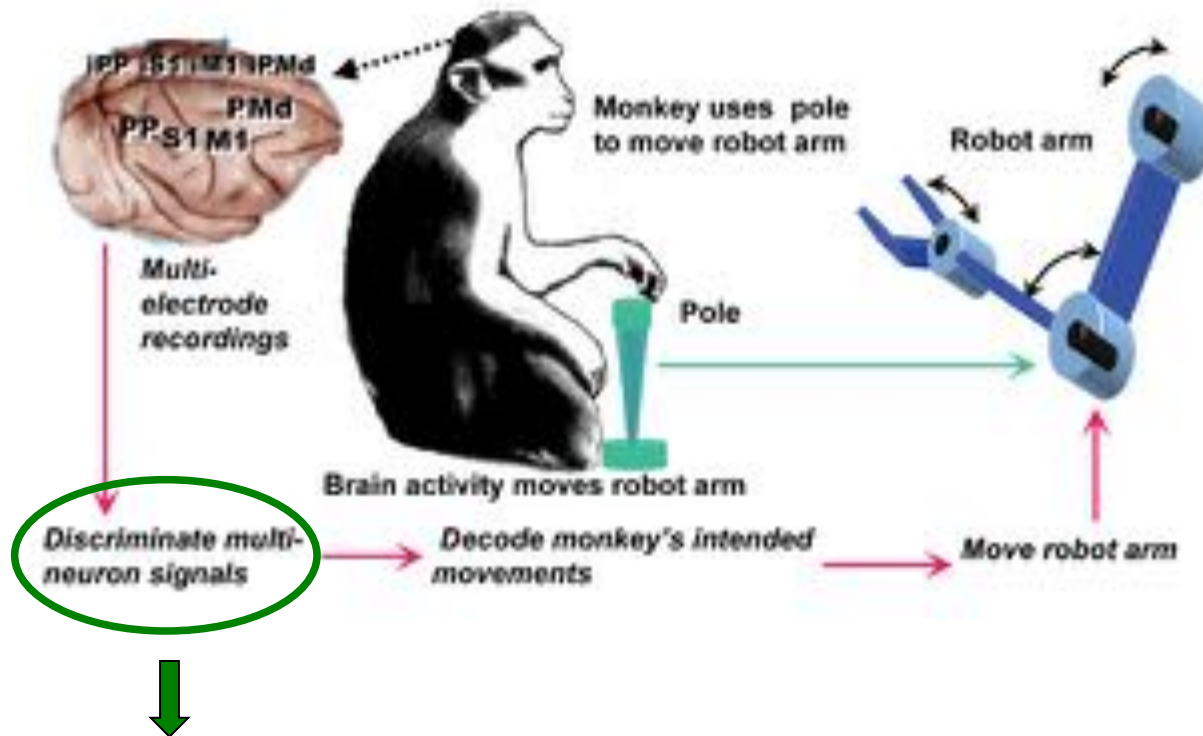
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Relationship between neural activity  
(spikes) and arm intended  
movements are learned through  
Supervised learning



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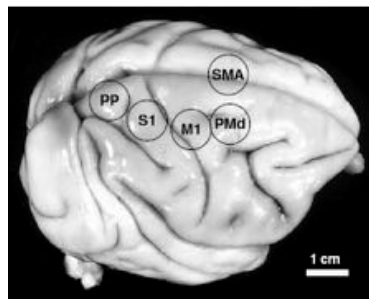
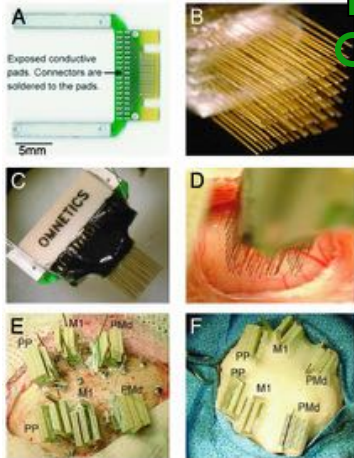
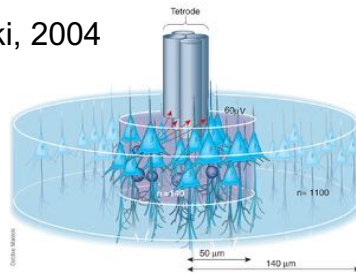


Each implanted electrode records signals from several unknown neurons

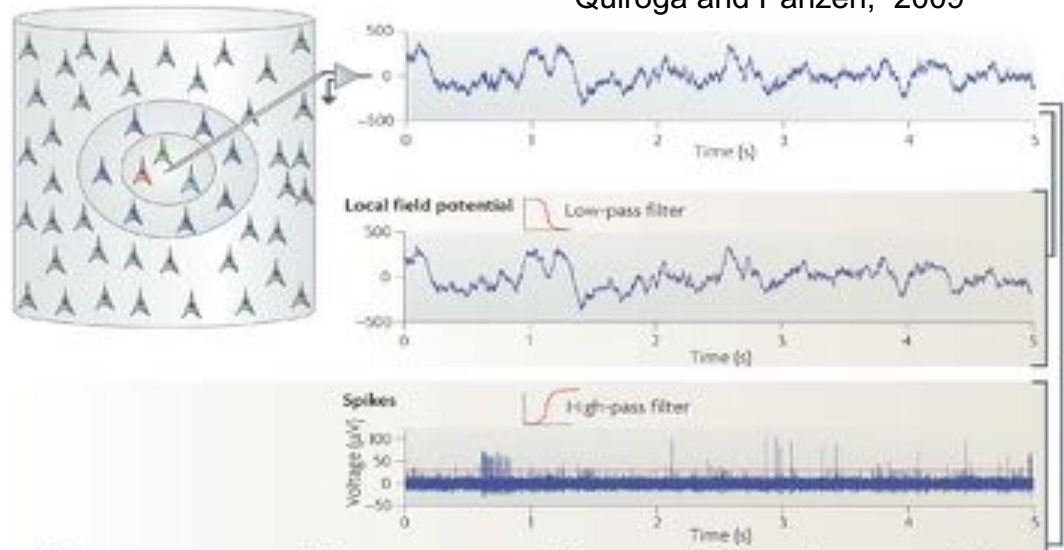
Individual neurons are identified using **Unsupervised learning**

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Buszàki, 2004



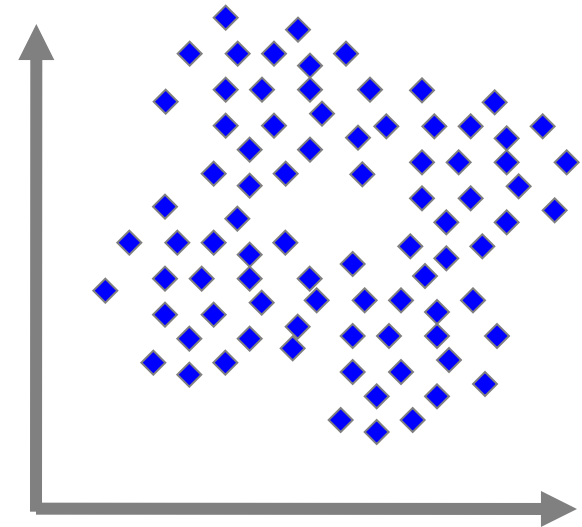
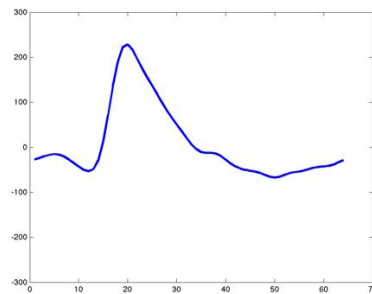
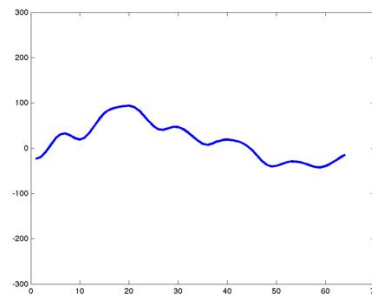
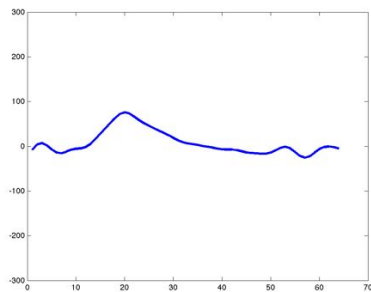
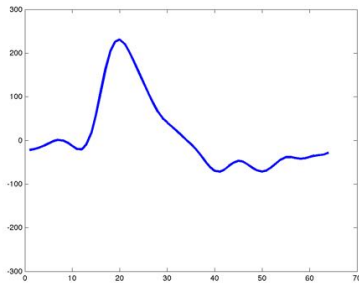
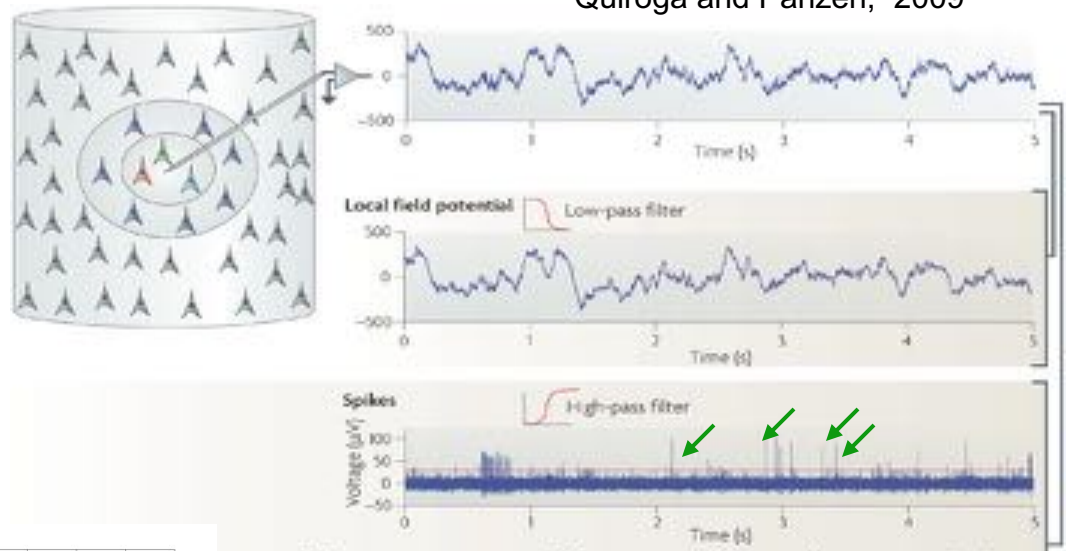
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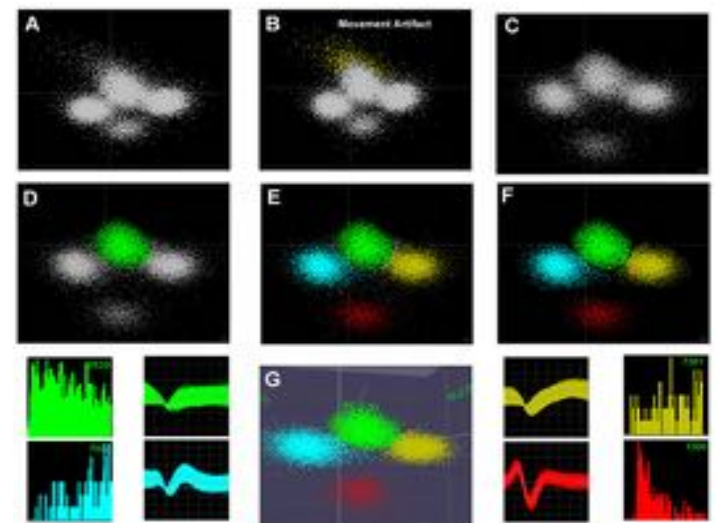
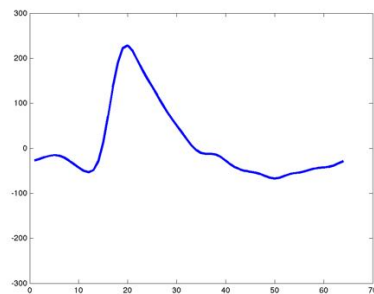
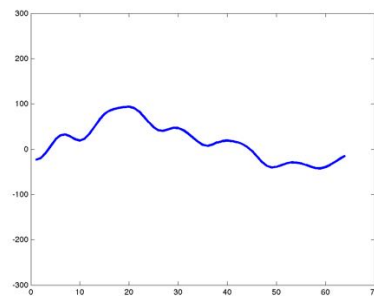
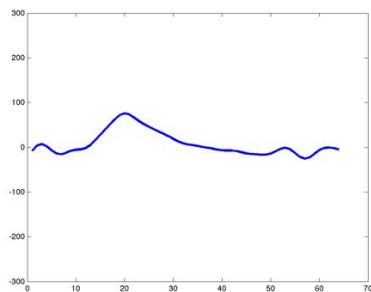
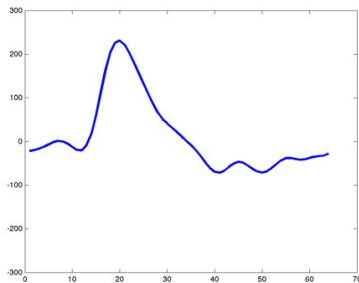
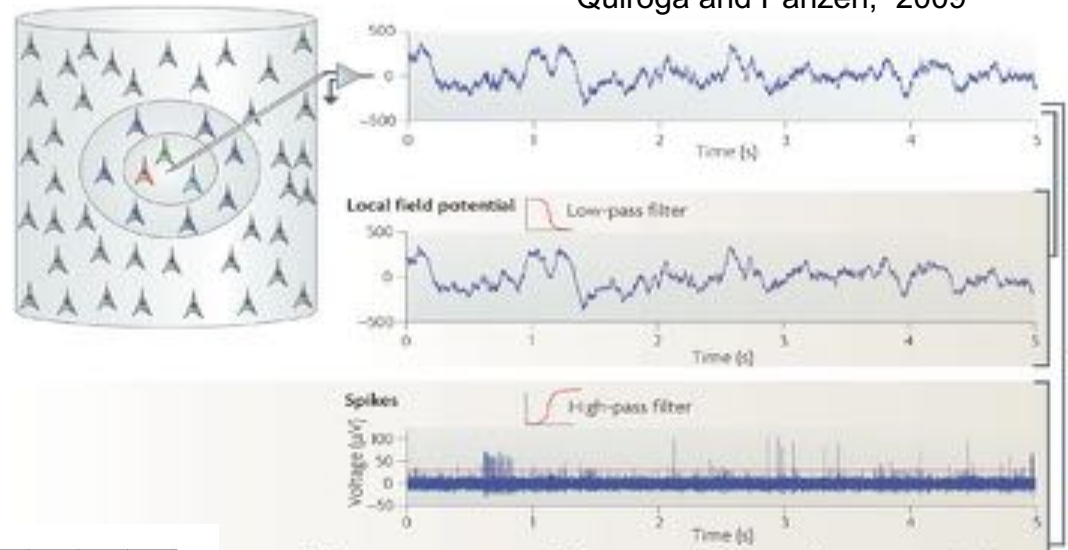
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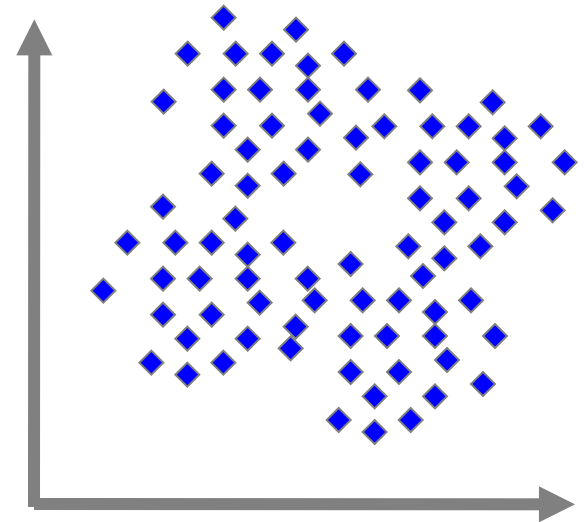


Nicolelis, 2003

# Clustering

Characterize the data as an ensemble of groups of data point (clusters)

**Cluster:** Set of points whose inter-point distances are small compared to points outside the cluster



# Clustering: K-Means

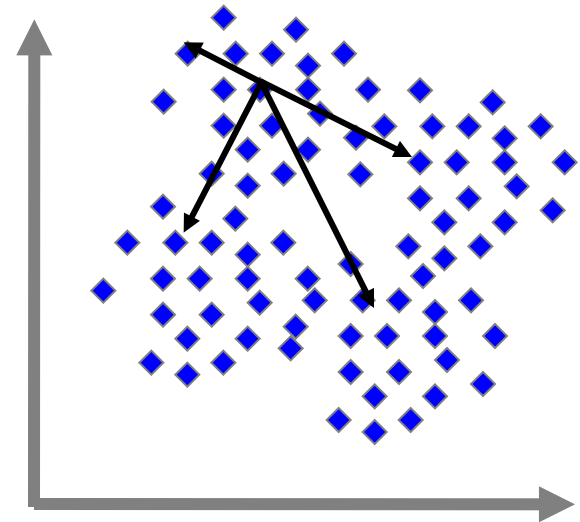
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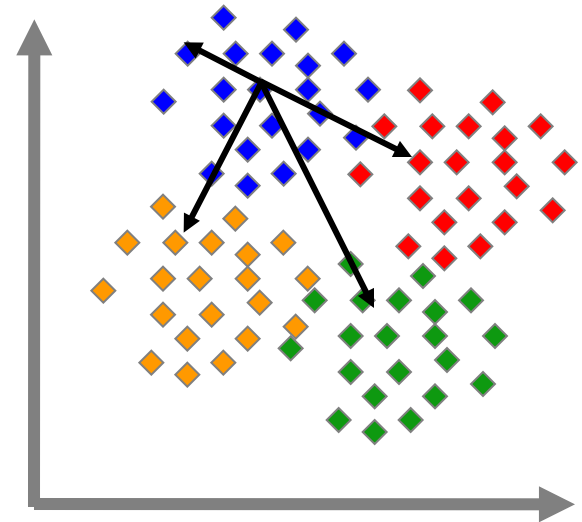
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Mean of all points  
in cluster  $k$



# K-Means algorithm

## Iterative algorithm

Initialize  $\mu_k$

Do

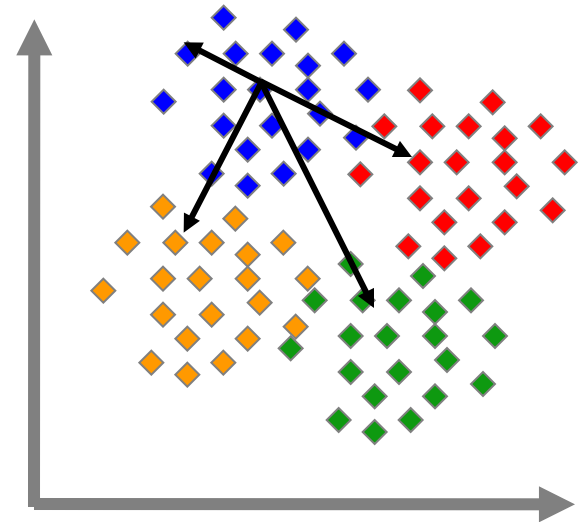
Update  $r_{nk}$ :

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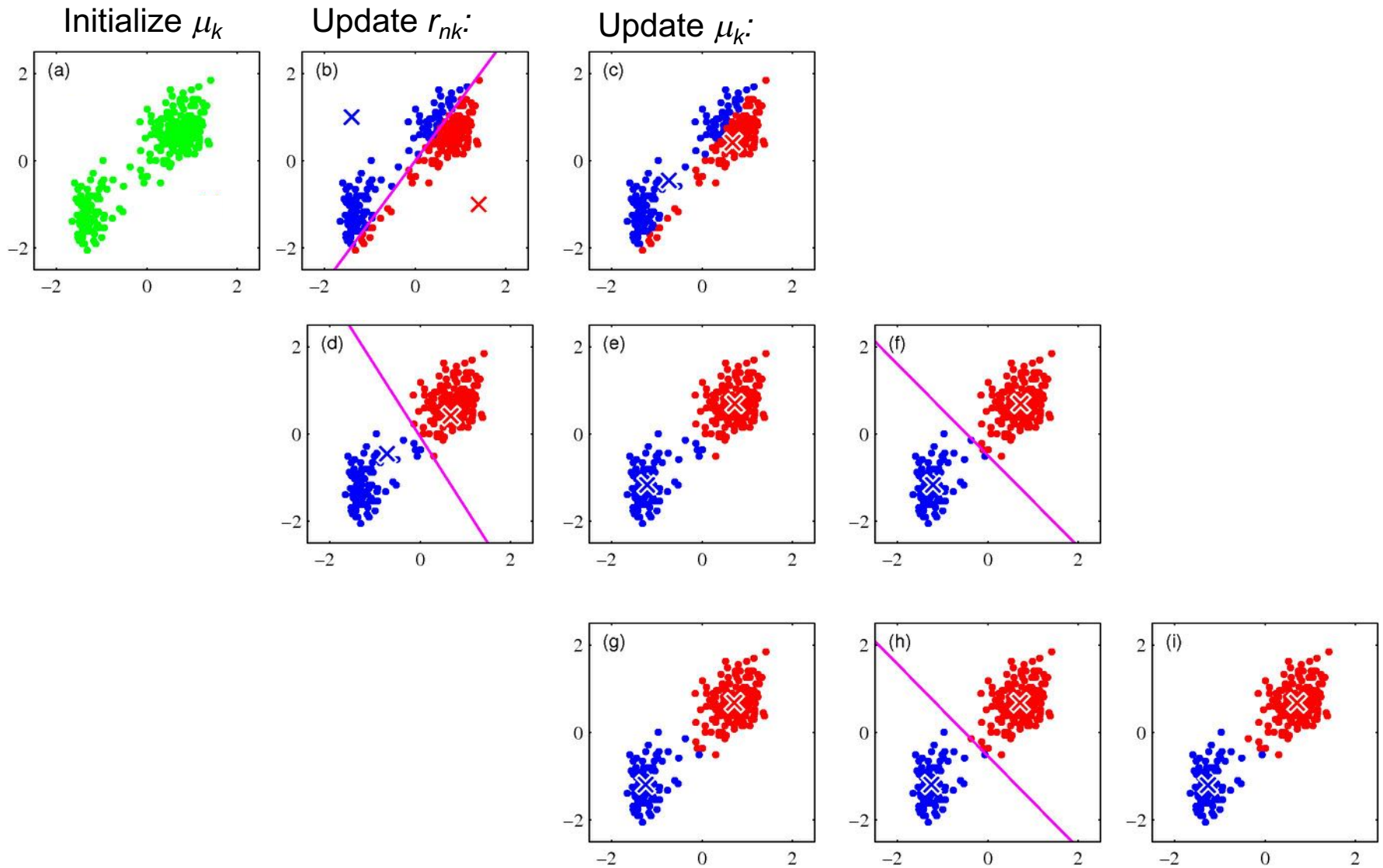
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Until (no change)

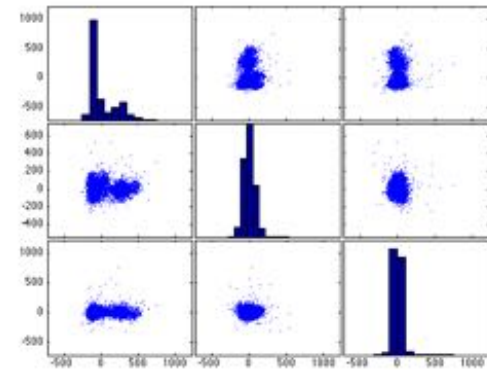
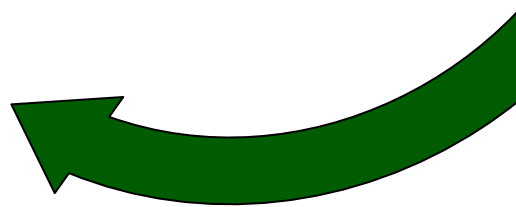
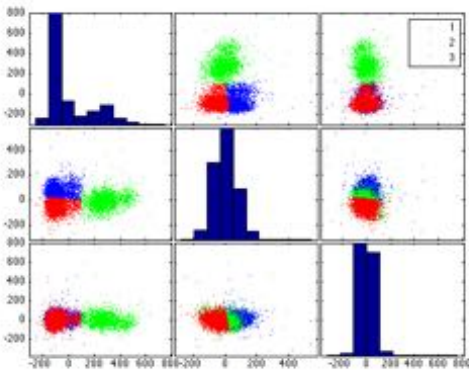
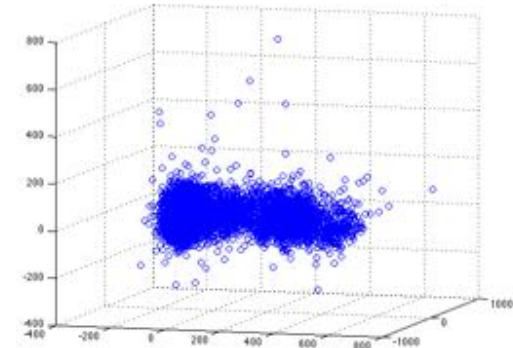
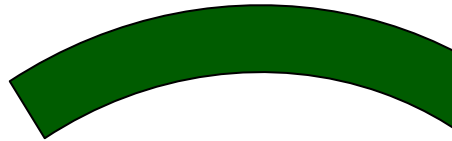
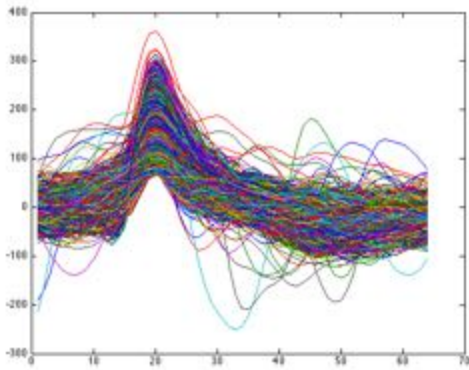


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# Summary

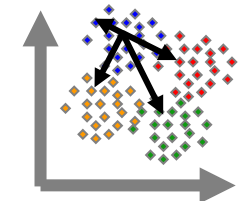
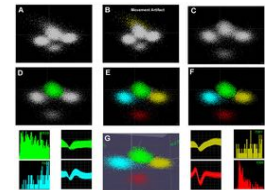
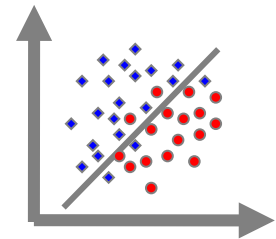
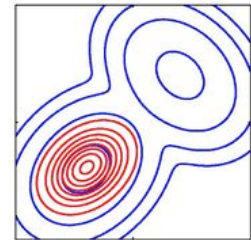
Different types of data analysis can be performed depending on the objective

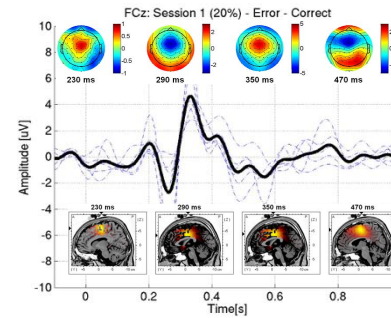
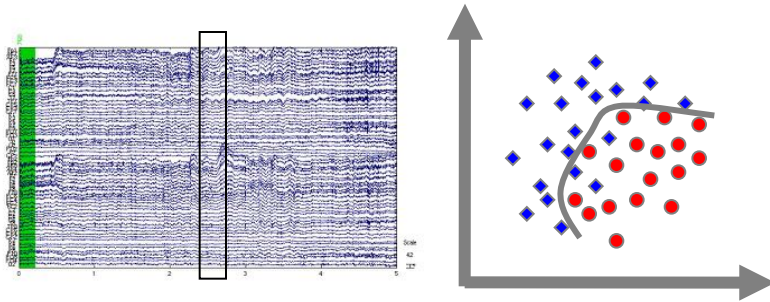
We focus on predictive analysis using machine learning

Learning can be based on examples (supervised) or on the data distribution (unsupervised)

Unsupervised learning is used to process unlabelled data

Data can be characterized by a set of different clusters of data points K-means algorithm





# Data analysis and model classification

Unsupervised learning