Learning from Text: Natural Language Processing with Python

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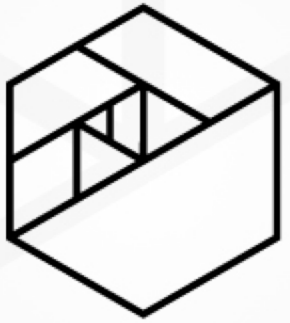
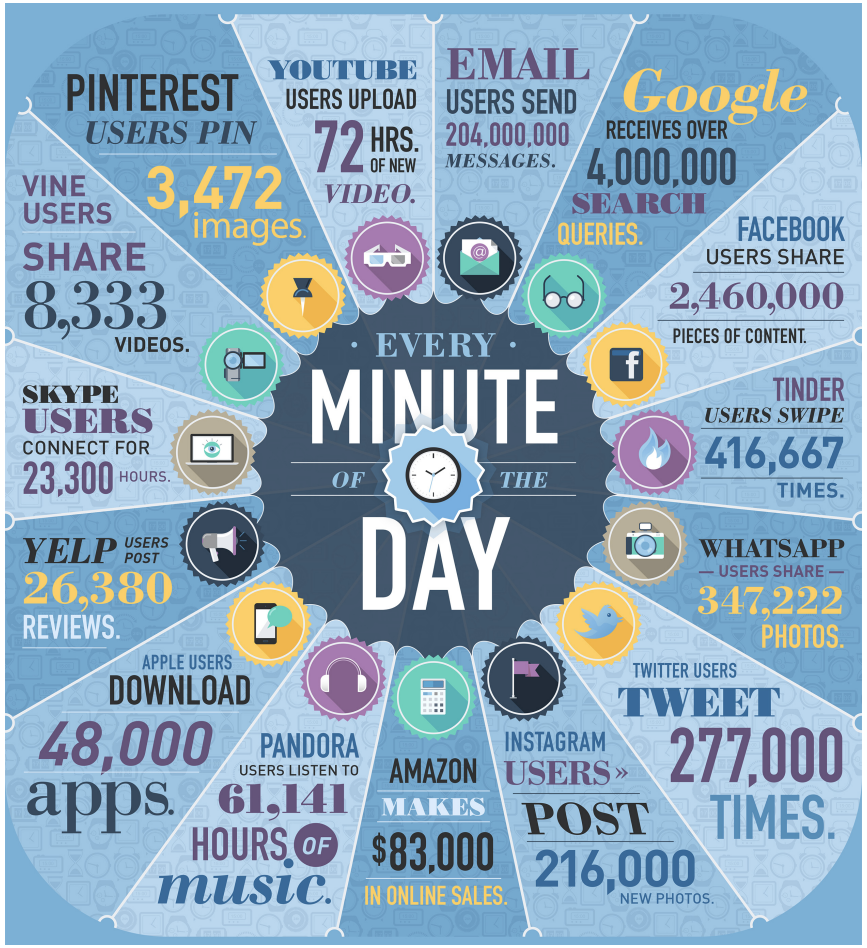


Data Generated Each Minute

Much of this data is text

- Email
- Text messages
- News articles
- Blogs
- Twitter
- Reviews

- 204,000,000 Emails
- 4,000,000 Google Search Queries
- 277,000 Tweets
- 26,380 Yelp Reviews



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How is this Useful?

- Information retrieval
- Classification and clustering
- Sentiment analysis
- Recommendation systems

How to Represent Text?

Answer

For machine learning tasks
structured, numeric data is desired

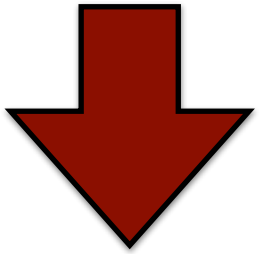
Problem

Text is unstructured and
contains limited numeric values

Creating Numerical Features

- Split text into words (tokenization)

“This is an example”



[This, is, an, example]

Creating Numerical Features

- Split text into words (tokenization)
- Numerically encode words (one-hot encoding)

This = [1, 0, 0, 0]

is = [0, 1, 0, 0]

an = [0, 0, 1, 0]

example = [0, 0, 0, 1]

Creating Numerical Features

- Split text into words (tokenization)
- Numerically encode words (one-hot encoding)
- Represent documents by their numerical tokens

	This	**is**	**an**	**example**
Doc 1	1	1	1	1
Doc 2	1	1	0	0
Doc 3	0	1	1	0

Creating Numerical Features with Python

Code

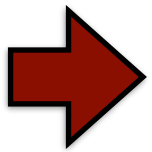
```
import pandas as pd
from sklearn.feature_extraction.text
  import CountVectorizer

corpus = ['This is the first document.',
          'This is the second document.',
          'And the third one.']

cv = CountVectorizer()
X = cv.fit_transform(corpus)
pd.DataFrame(X.toarray(),
             columns=cv.get_feature_names())
```

Output

	and	document	first	is	one	second	the	third	this
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1
1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
2	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0



Count Vectorizer

Is That All?

- How much information is contained in a word?
- Can more information be gained?
- What assumptions are being made?

Preprocessing Text

- How to tokenize: single word? multiple words?
- Remove: capital letters, punctuation, common words
- Word order and co-occurrence
- Convert to roots: running --> ran
- Misspellings
- Different languages
- Weight words equally or differently?

Preprocessing Examples

- Common words such as "the", "I", and "a" can be removed
- These are called "stop words"

```
ex = CountVectorizer(stop_words='english')
x = ex.fit_transform(['this is an example with stop words'])
pd.DataFrame(x.toarray(), columns = ex.get_feature_names())
```

example	stop	words
1	1	1

Preprocessing Examples

- Words can be reduced to their root form
- This is called "stemming" or "lemmatization"

```
import nltk
stemmer = nltk.stem.porter.PorterStemmer()
print stemmer.stem('run')
run
print stemmer.stem('running')
run
```

Preprocessing Examples

- Word order can be captured by joining words together
- These are called "n-grams"

```
text = ['this is a bigram example']
bigram_vectorizer = CountVectorizer(ngram_range=(2,2))
X = bigram_vectorizer.fit_transform(text)
pd.DataFrame(X.toarray(), columns=bigram_vectorizer.get_feature_names())
```

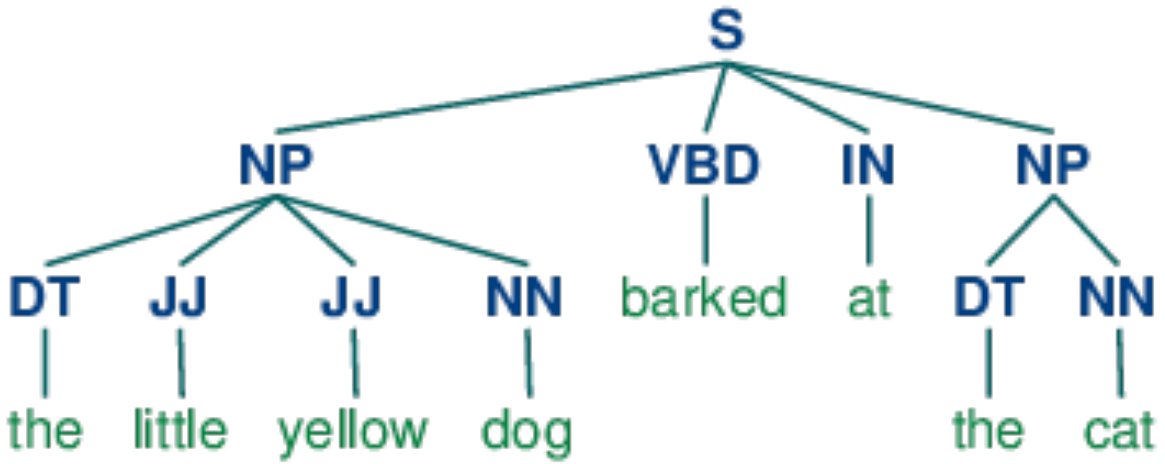
bigram example	is bigram	this is
1	1	1

Other Preprocessing Considerations

- Presupposition: implicit assumptions
  - Jane no longer writes fiction (Jane once wrote fiction)
- Word relationships:
  - Substitution: red and blue, Saturday and Sunday
  - Co-occurrences: car and drive
- Sparsity
  - High dimensionality
  - Similarity and meaning

Other Preprocessing Considerations

- Chunking segments and labels sentences
- Like parts-of-speech tagging with sentence structure included



Practice Preprocessing

Walkthrough

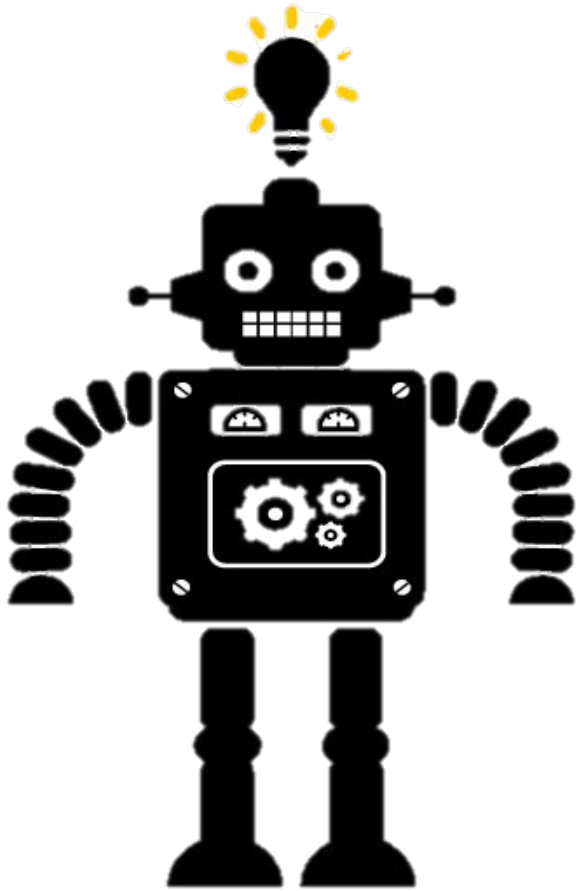
01_Text_Preprocessing_Walkthrough

Exercises

02_Text_Preprocessing_Exercises

What is Machine Learning?

Machine learning allows computers to learn and infer from data.



Types of Machine Learning

Supervised

Data points have known outcome (prediction)

- **Regression**: predict continuous value
- **Classification**: predict categorical value

Unsupervised

Data points have unknown outcome (find structure)

- **Clustering**: group observations
- **Dimensionality reduction**: reduce features

Machine Learning Vocabulary

- Features
- Observations
- Labels

sepal length	sepal width	petal length	petal width	species
6.7	3.0	5.2	2.3	virginica
6.4	2.8	5.6	2.1	virginica
4.6	3.4	1.4	0.3	setosa
6.9	3.1	4.9	1.5	versicolor
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What are the Text Features?

- Tokenized words
- N-grams
- Parts-of-speech tags
- Chunks
- Syntactic structure
- etc.

Text Classification

- Want to predict a categorical variable
  - Example: Predict if an email is spam or not
- Given
  - X: Email text
  - Y: Spam or not spam
- Goal: Build model that predicts if a new email is spam or not

Many Choices for Model Algorithm

- Logistic regression
- Naive Bayes
- Support vector machines
- Random forest
- Boosting

Supervised Modeling Process

- Have historical email data with spam/not spam labels
- Preprocess the email text data
  - Tokenize
  - Remove stop words
  - Stem or lemmatize
  - Count vectorize
- Use this numerical dataset in a classification algorithm
- Given a new email, process the same way and predict

Practice Machine Learning

Walkthrough

03_Classification_Walkthrough

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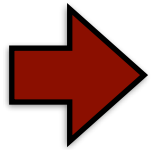
04_Text_Classification_Exercises

Beyond Count Vectorizer

Problems with binary values or word count:

- Binary counts can be too simplistic
- High counts can dominate--especially for high frequency words or long documents
- Each word is treated equally--some terms might be more important than others



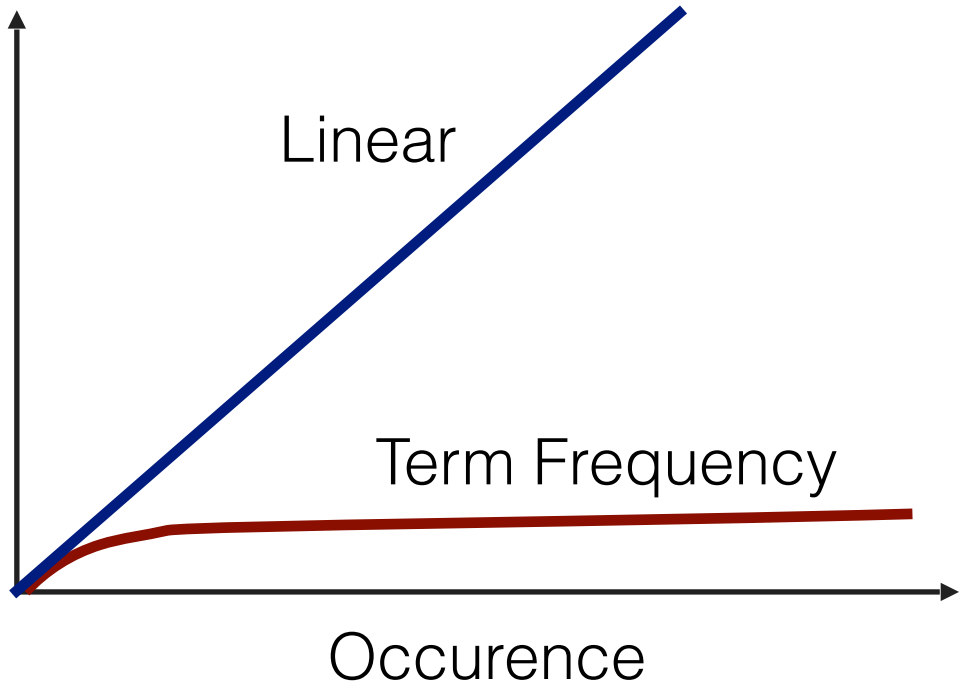
Want a metric that accounts for these issues

Term Frequency (TF)

- Alternative to binary values or counting word appearance
- Balance count with a transformation:

$$\text{tf} = \log(x+1)$$

x = term occurrence



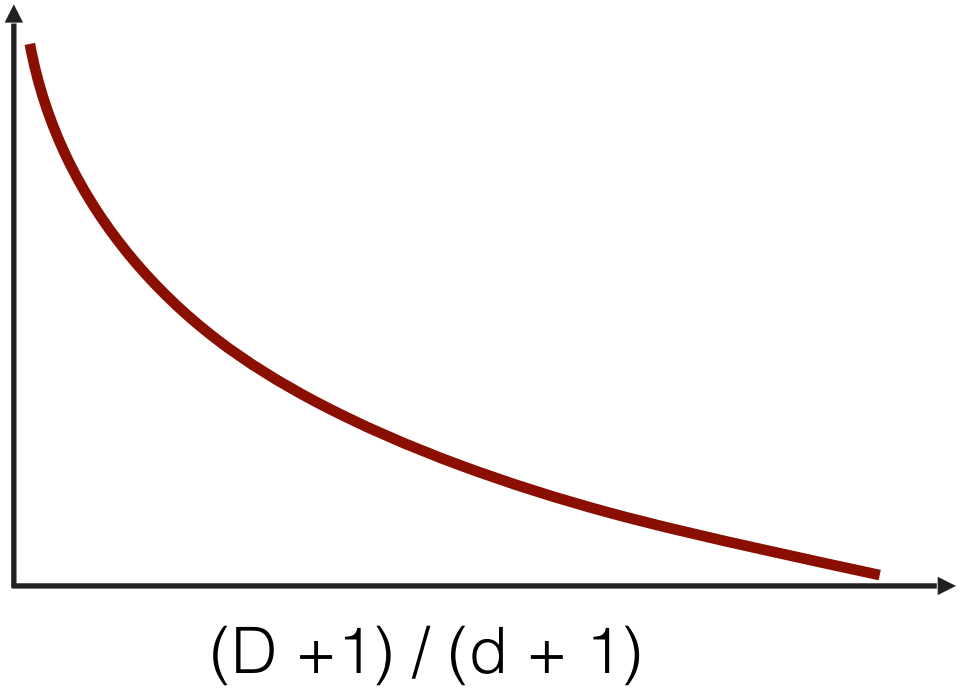
Inverse Document Frequency (IDF)

- Also want to increase weight of words appearing in only a few documents

- Calculate inverse document frequency:

$$\text{idf} = \log(D + 1 / d + 1)$$

D = total documents
d = documents containing word



Practice TF-IDF

- Complete question 4 from the previous exercises (04_Text_Classification_Exercises)
- We will discuss the syntax briefly within the exercise

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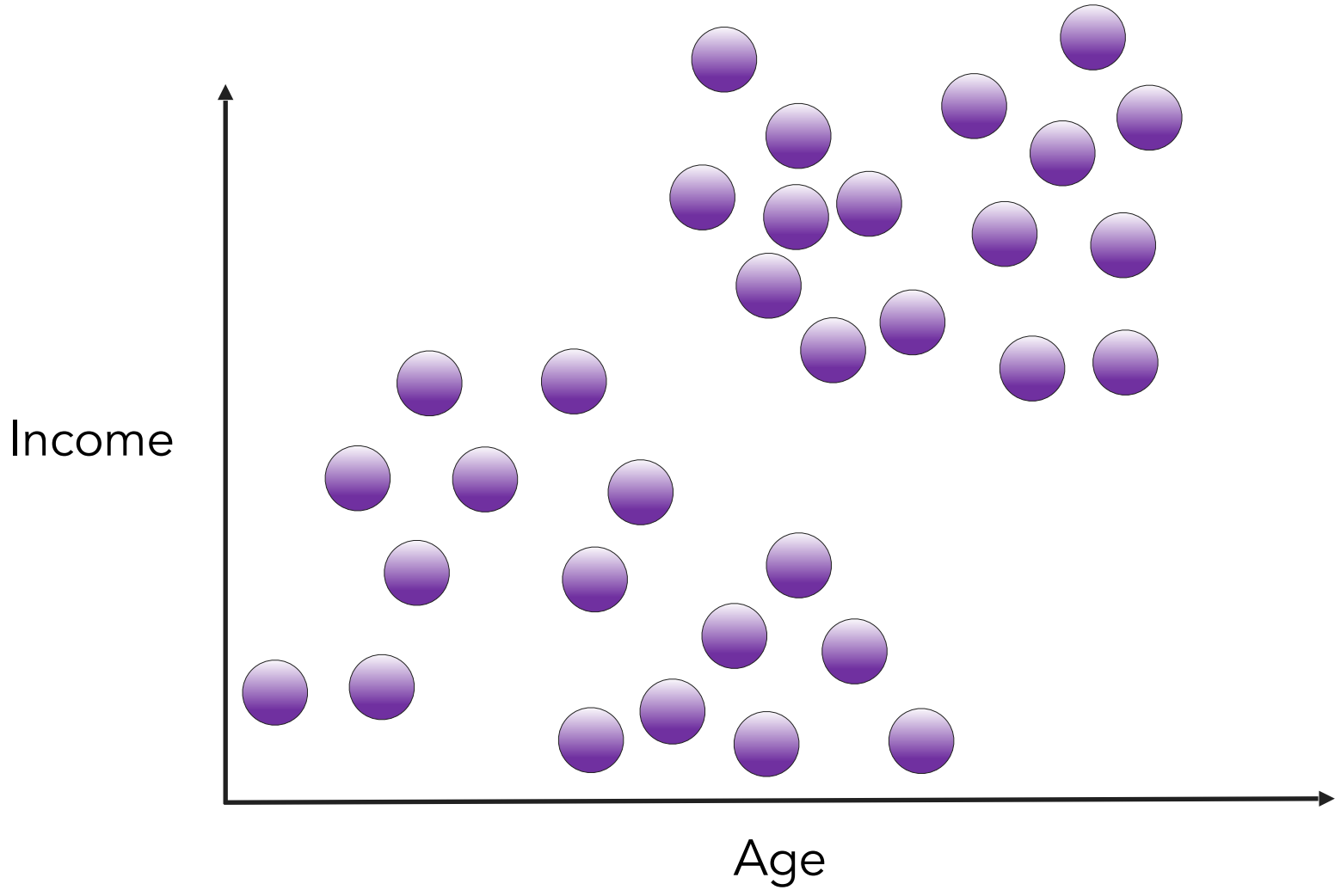
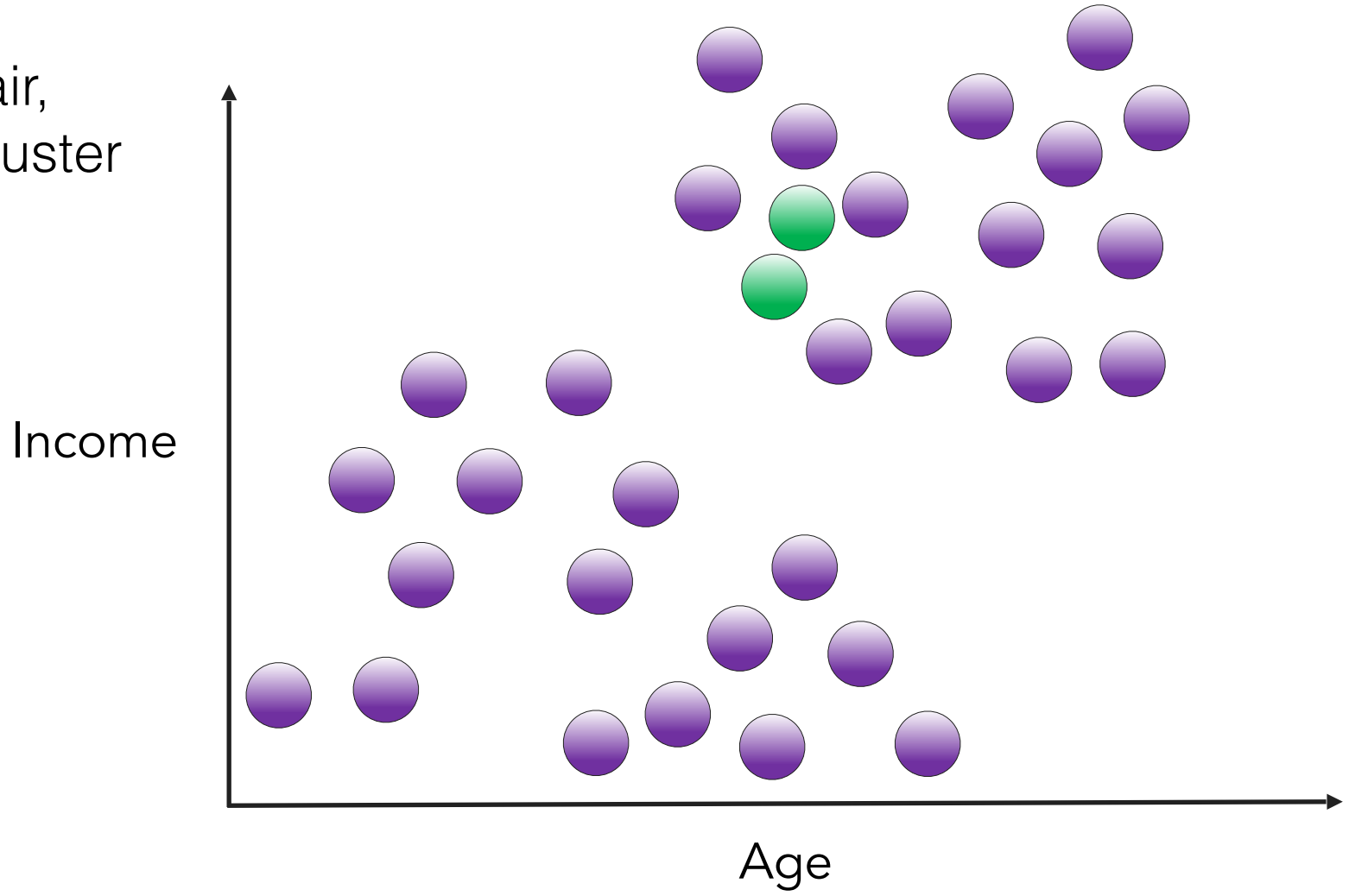


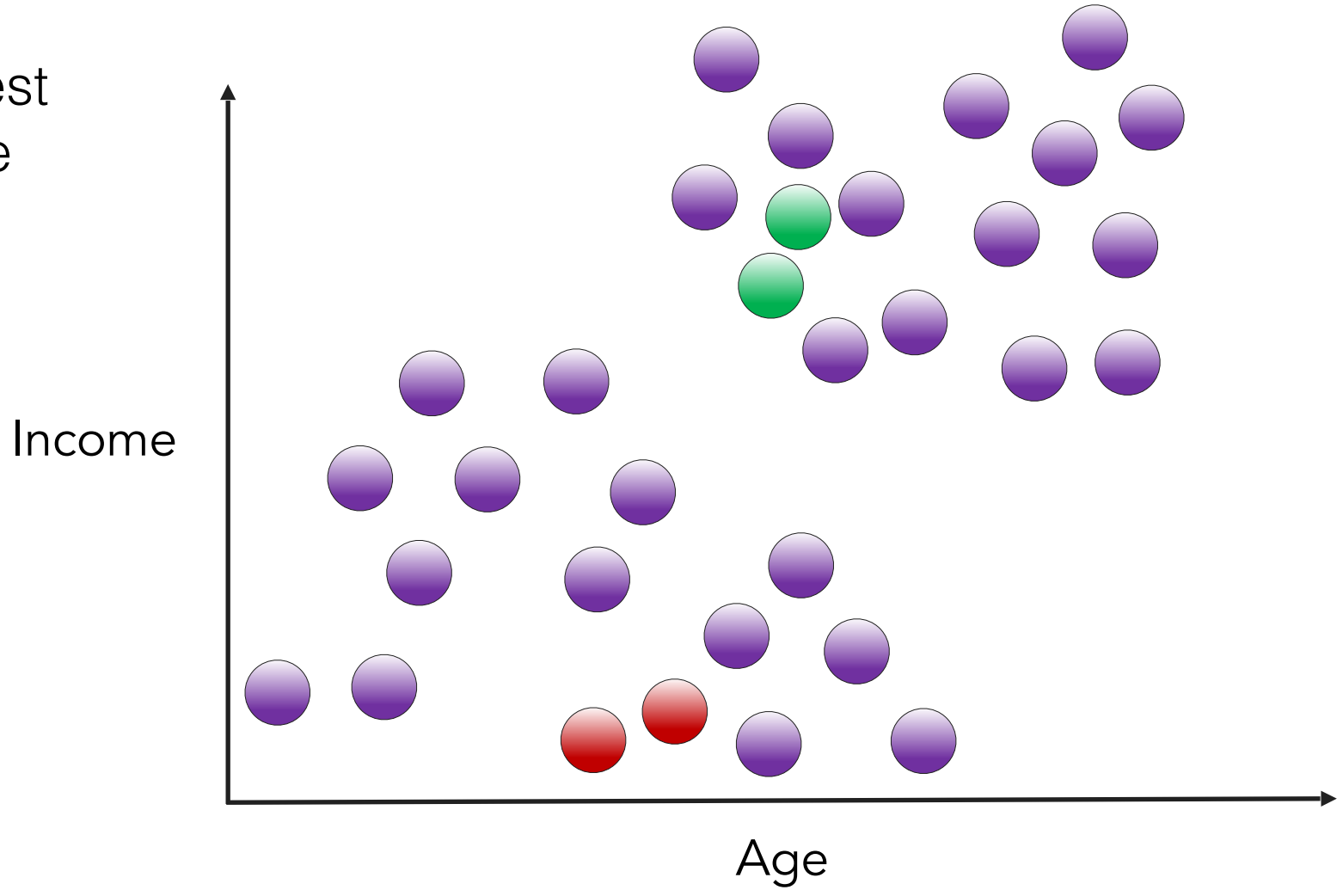
Clustering

Find closest pair,
merge into a cluster



Clustering

Find next closest pair and merge



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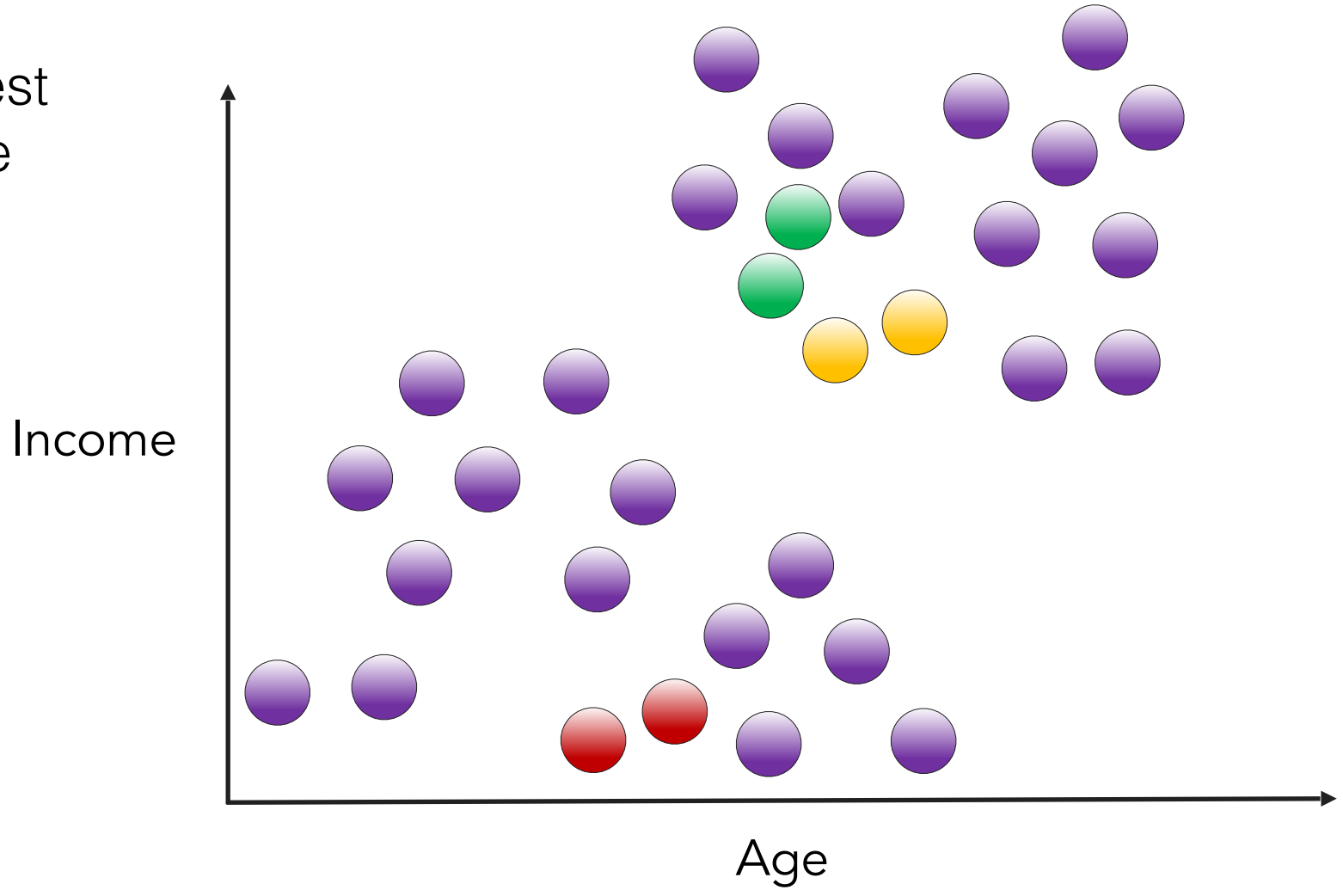

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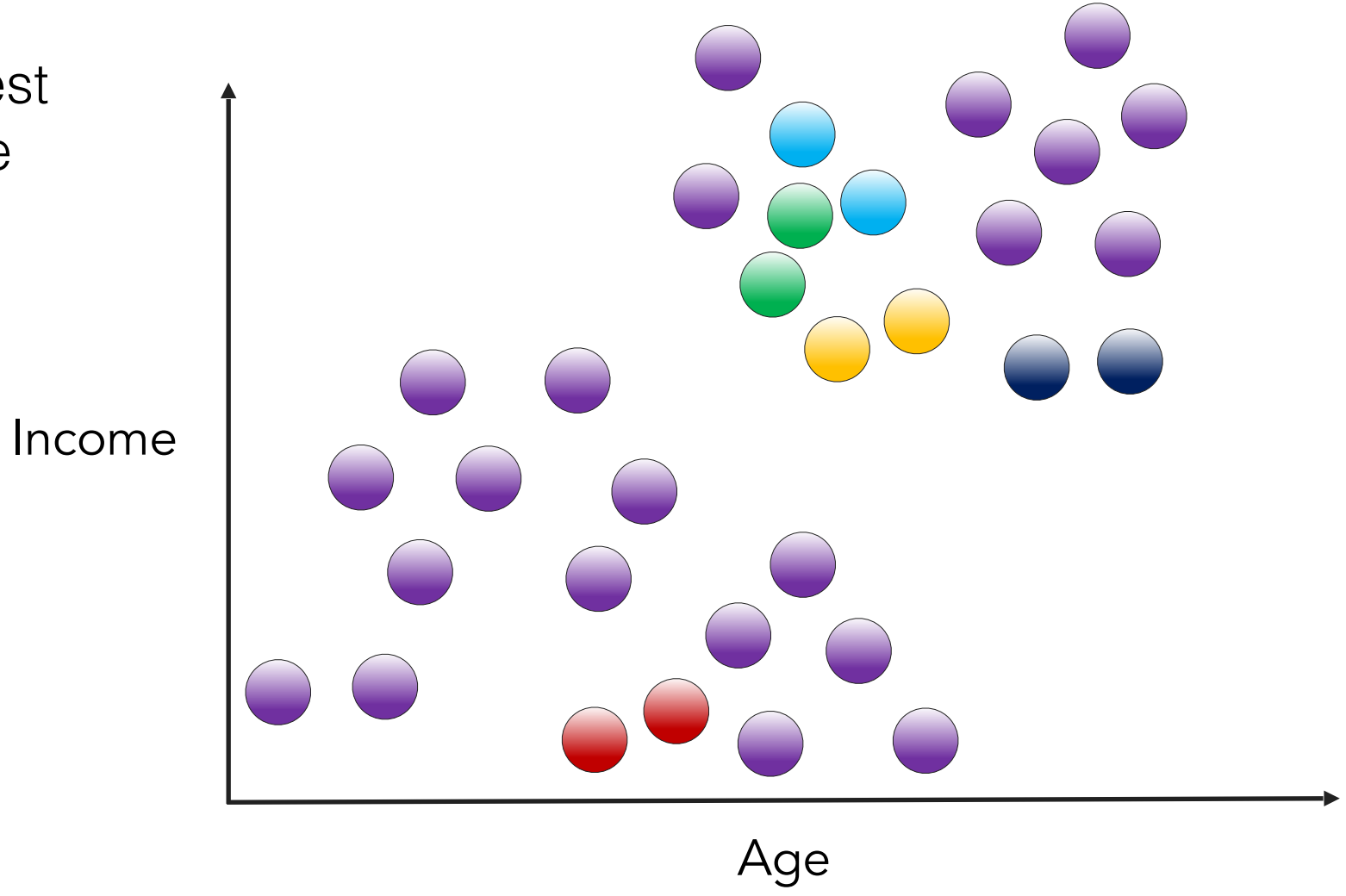
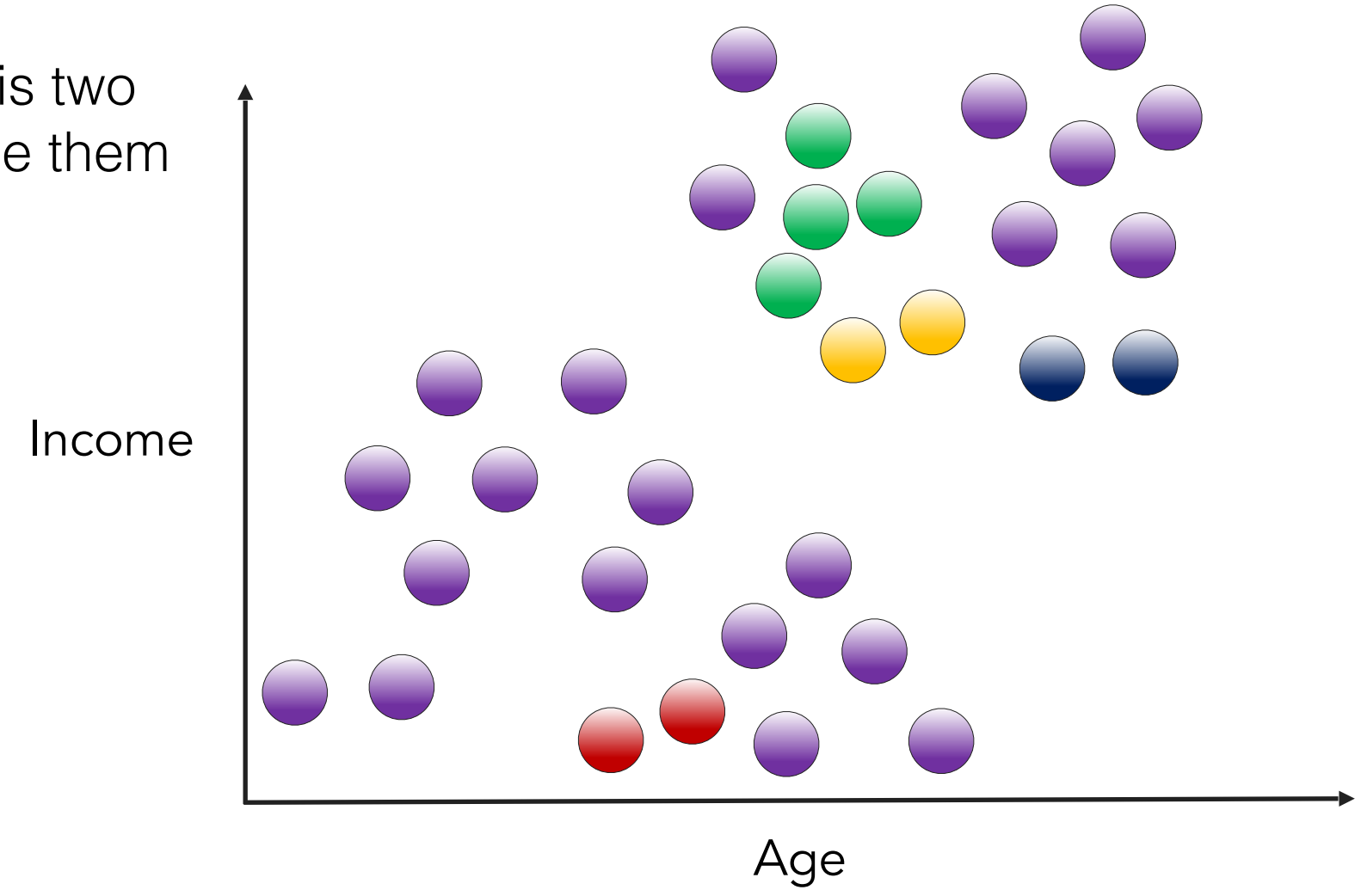


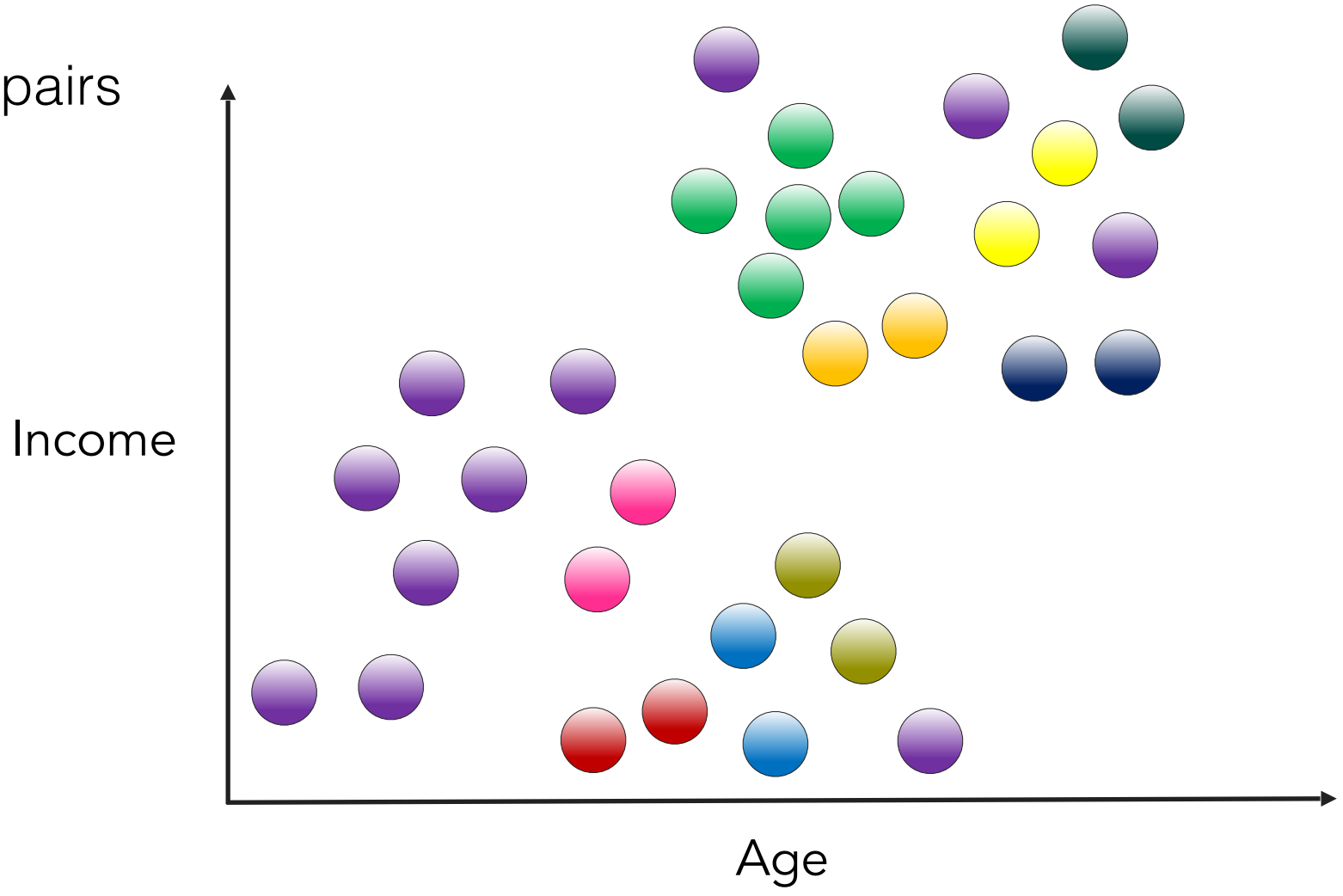
Clustering

If closest pair is two clusters, merge them



Clustering

Keep merging pairs and clusters



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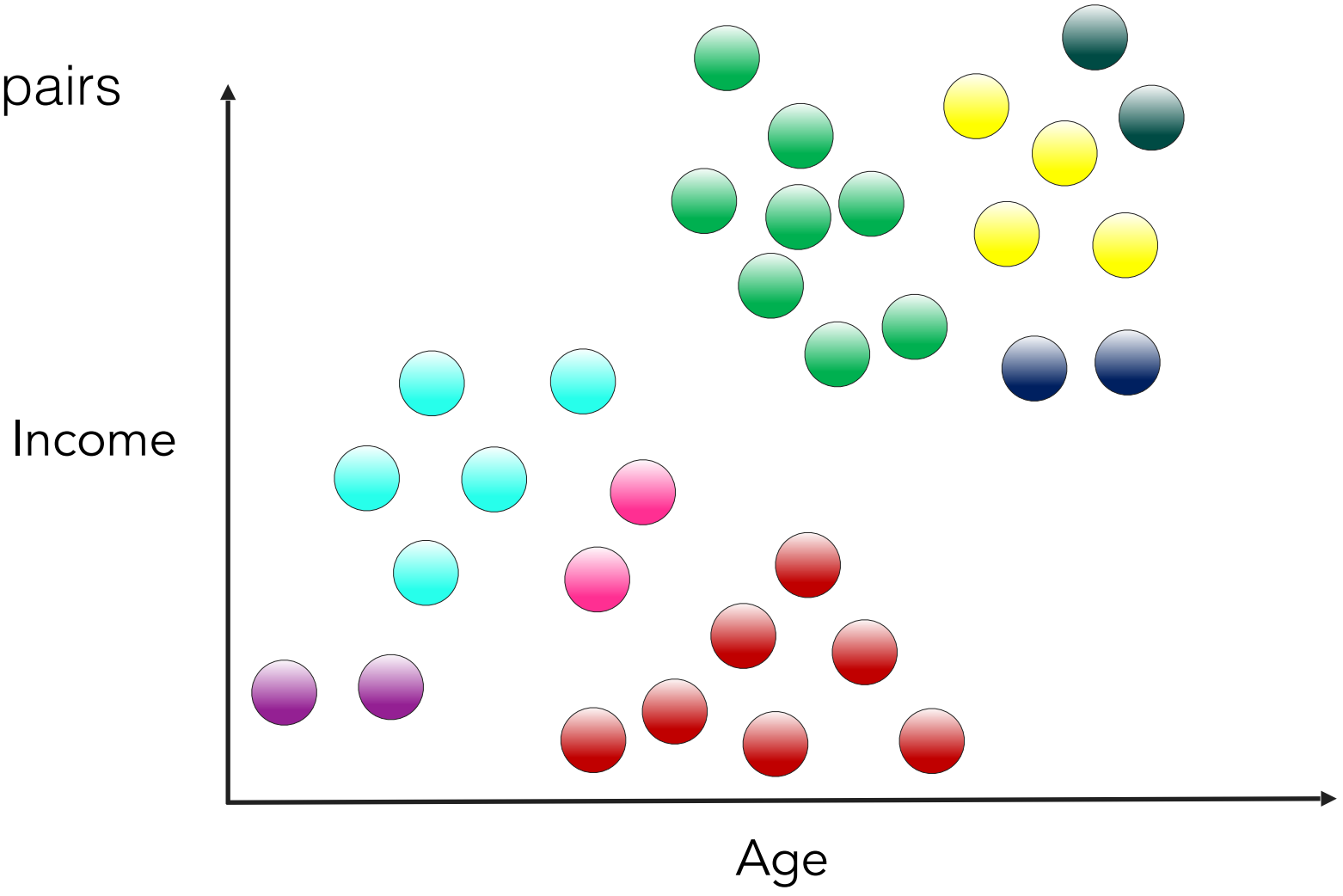
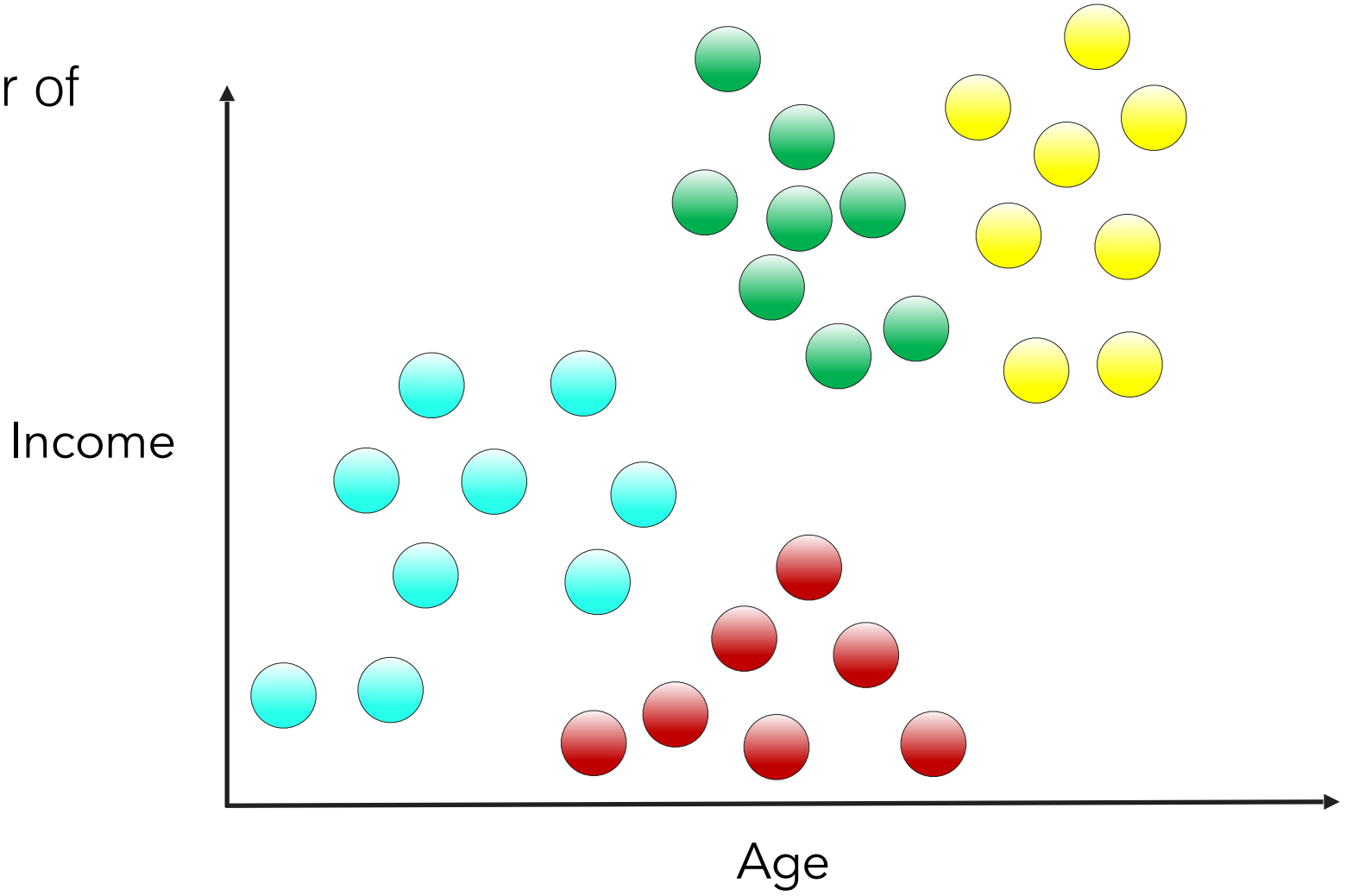


Clustering

Current number of clusters = 4



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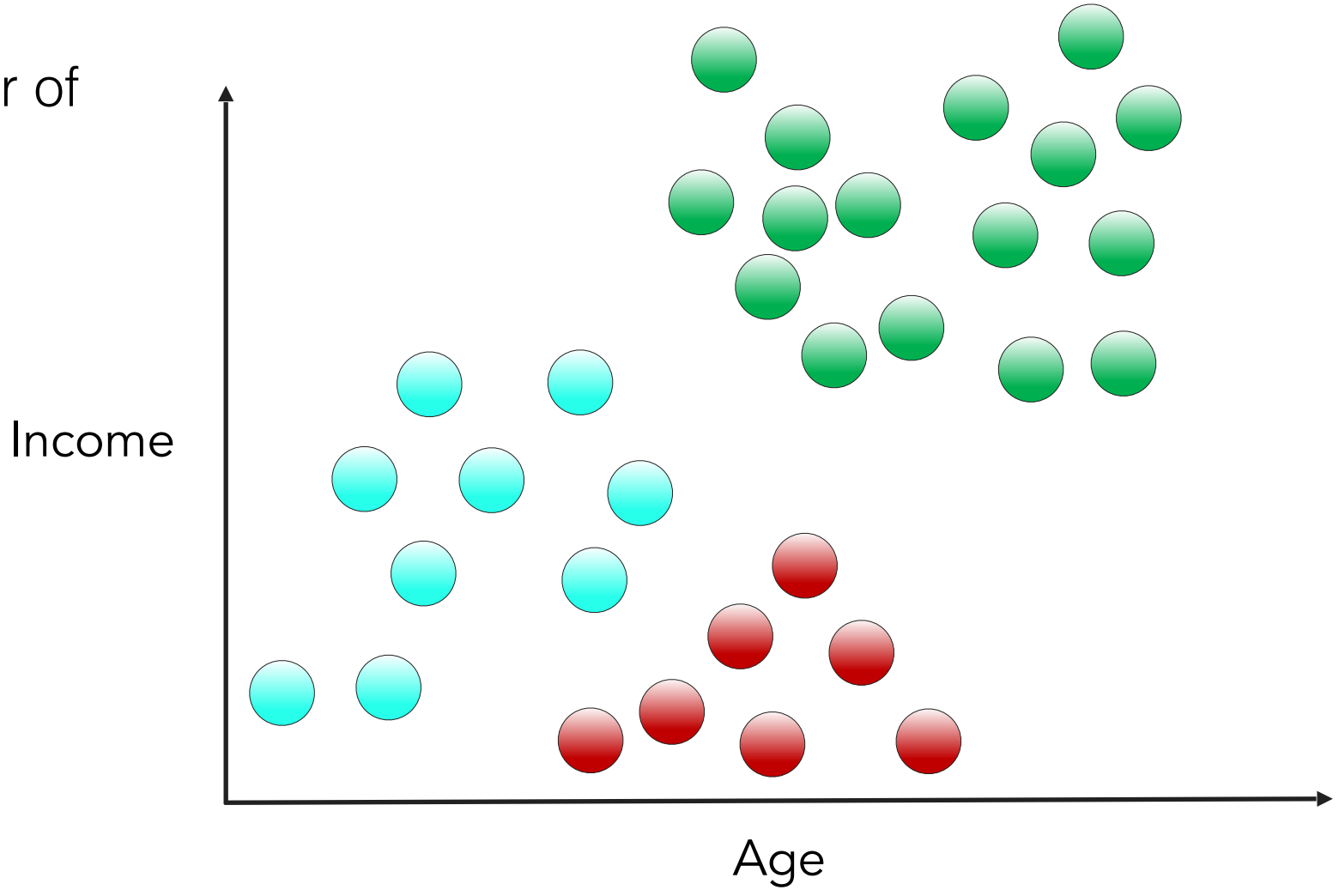
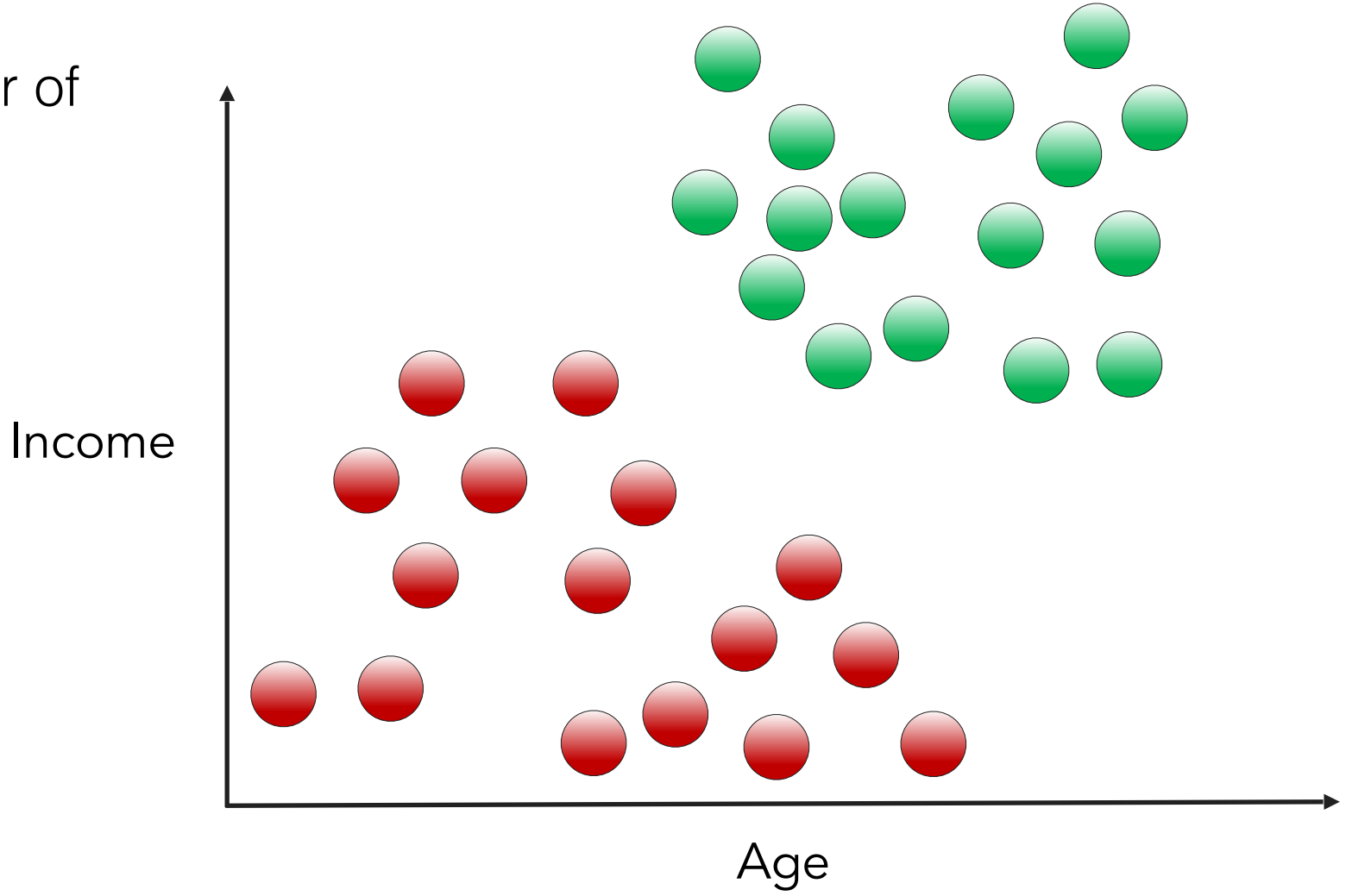
Current number of clusters = 3



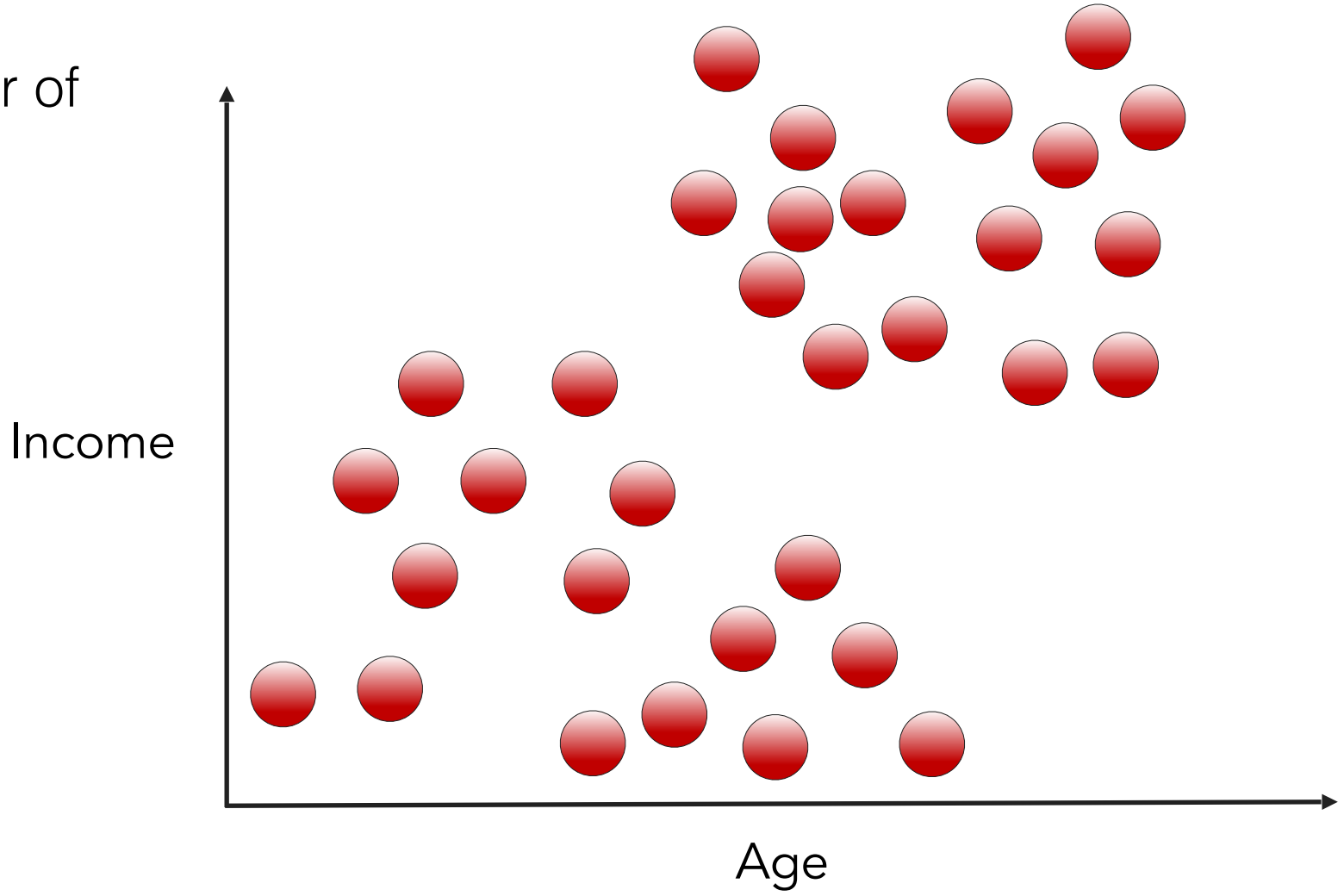
Clustering

Current number of clusters = 2



Clustering

Current number of clusters = 1



When to Stop Clustering?

Condition 1

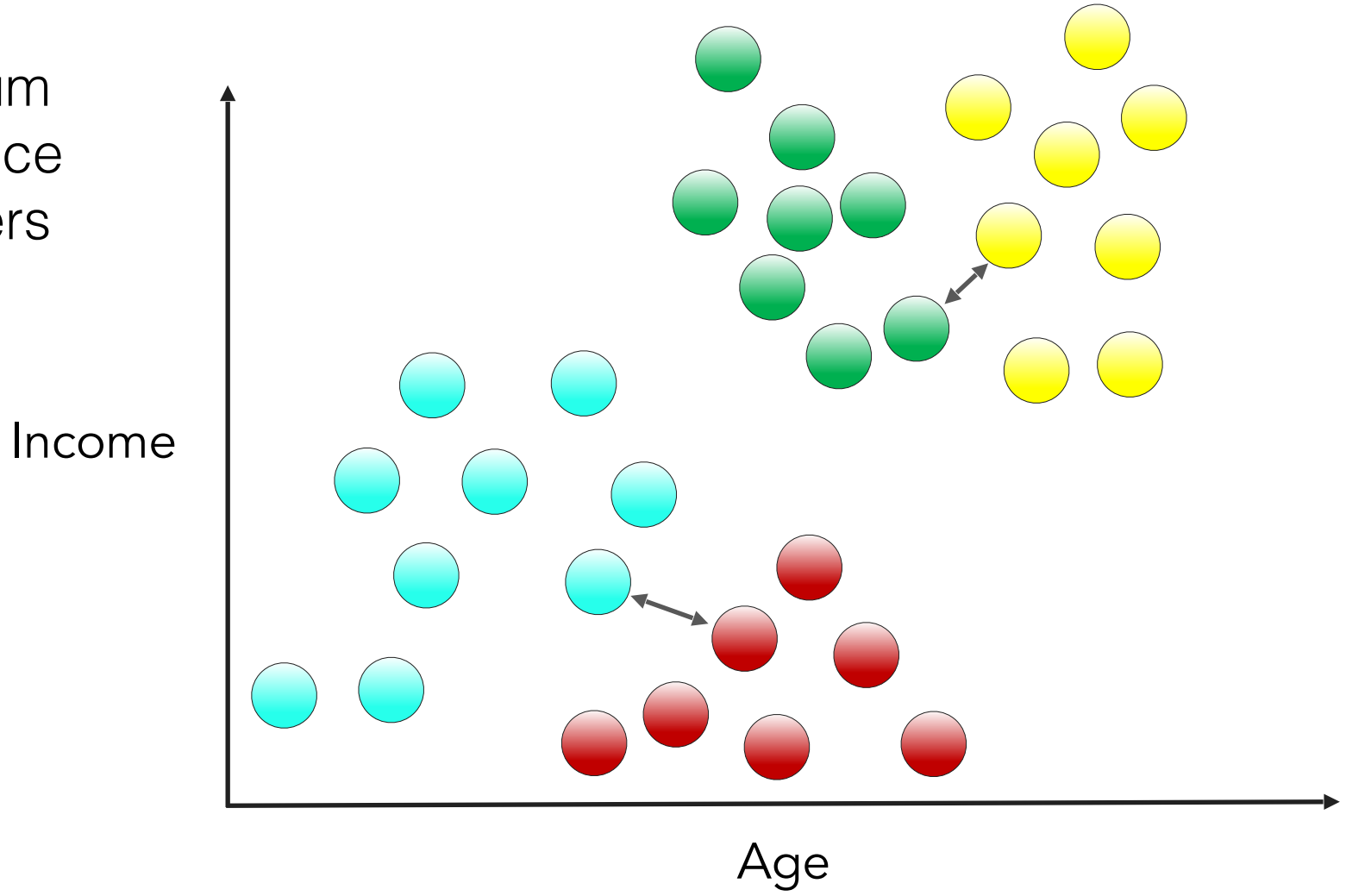
Correct number of clusters is reached

Condition 2

Cluster linkage (distance) reaches a set value

Cluster Linkage

Single: minimum pairwise distance between clusters



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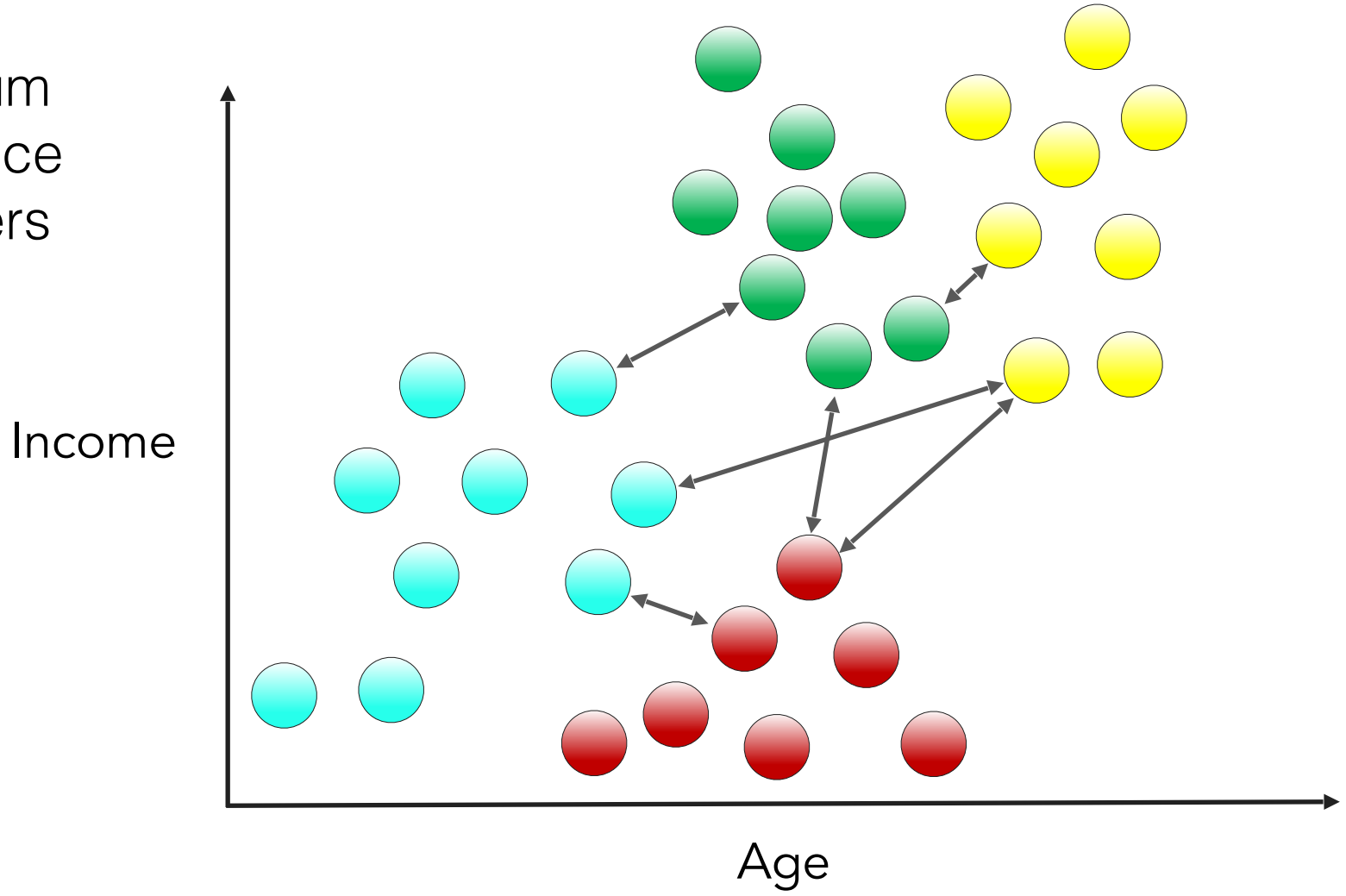

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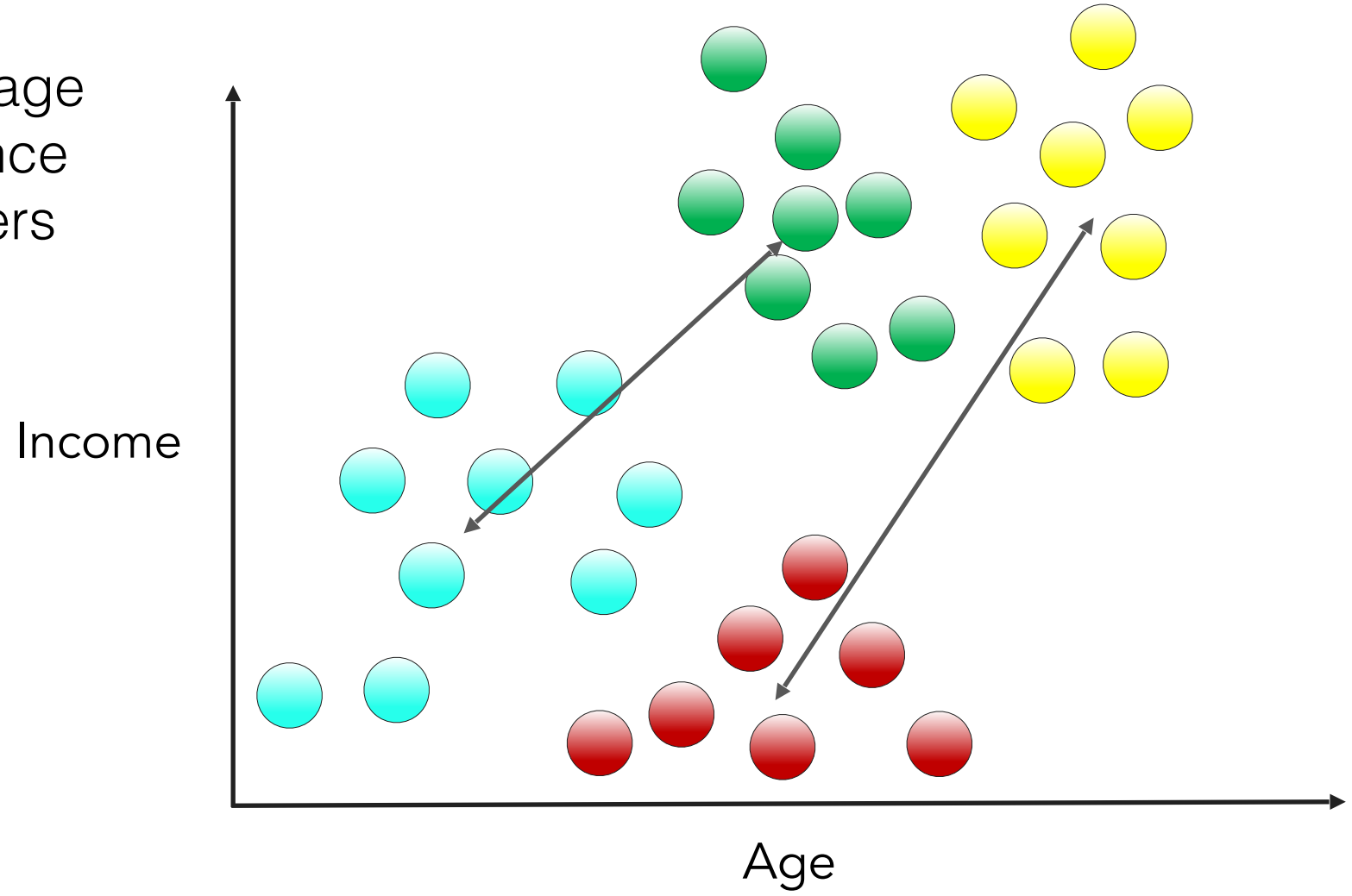

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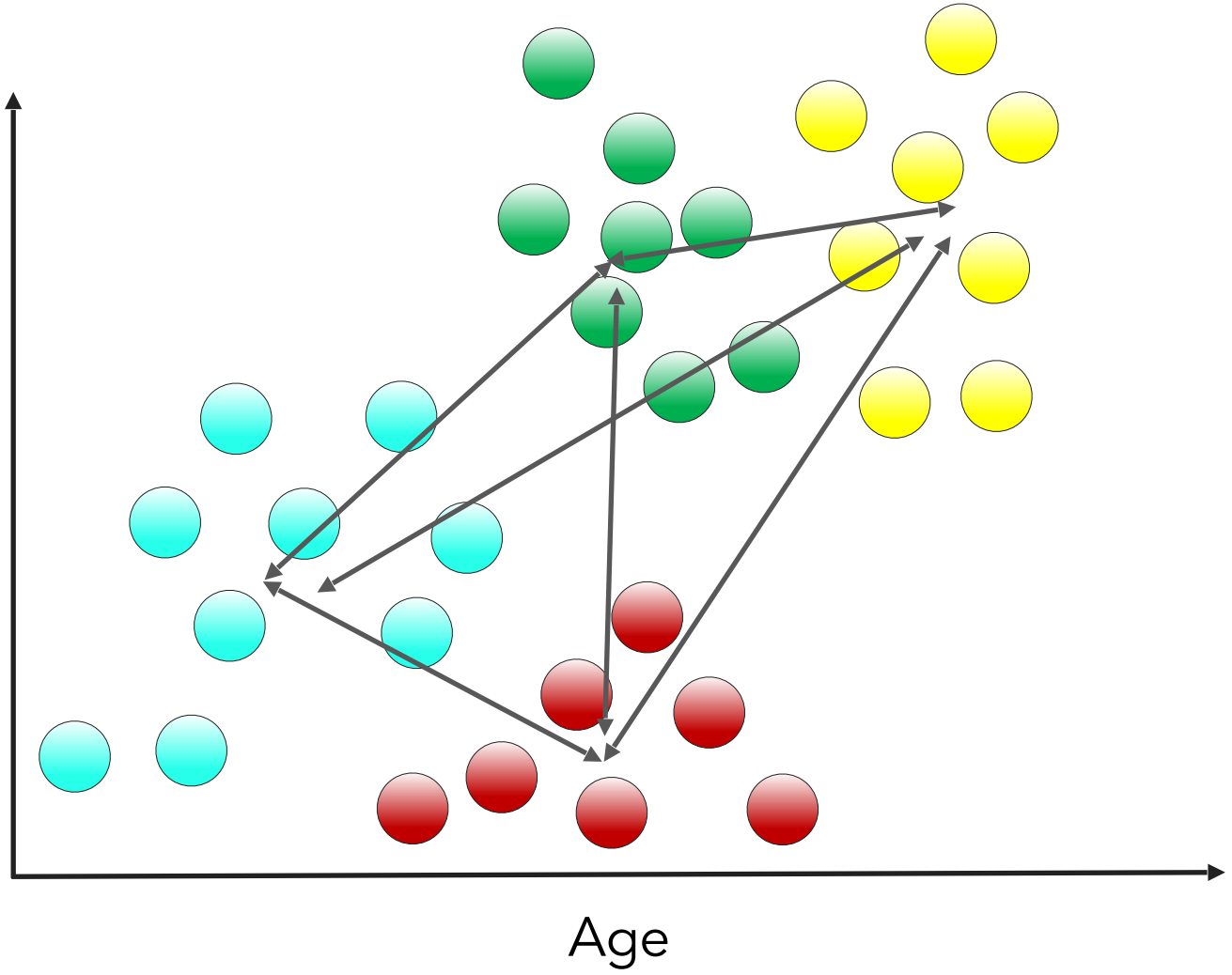
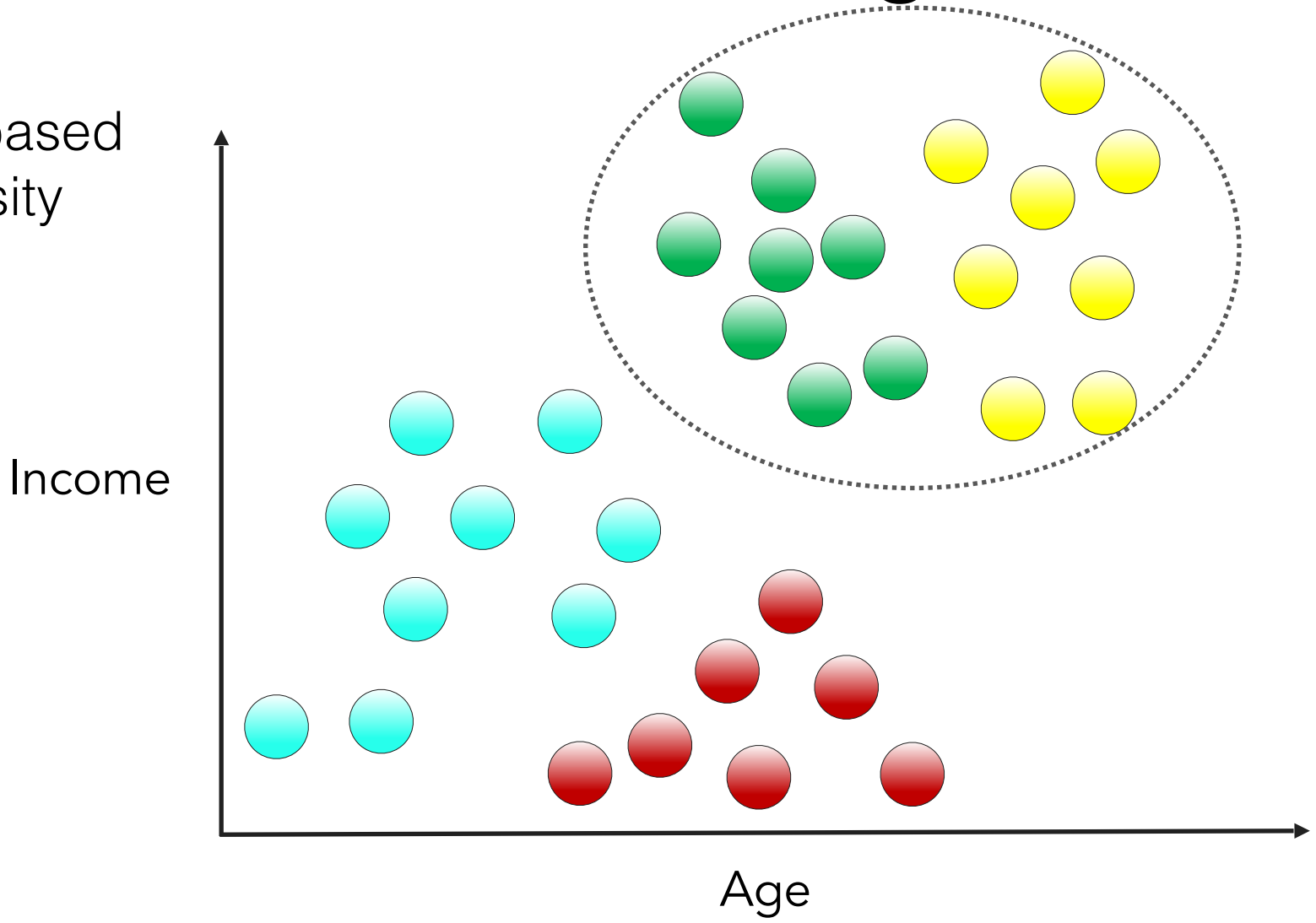


Cluster Linkage

Ward: merge based on cluster density (inertia)



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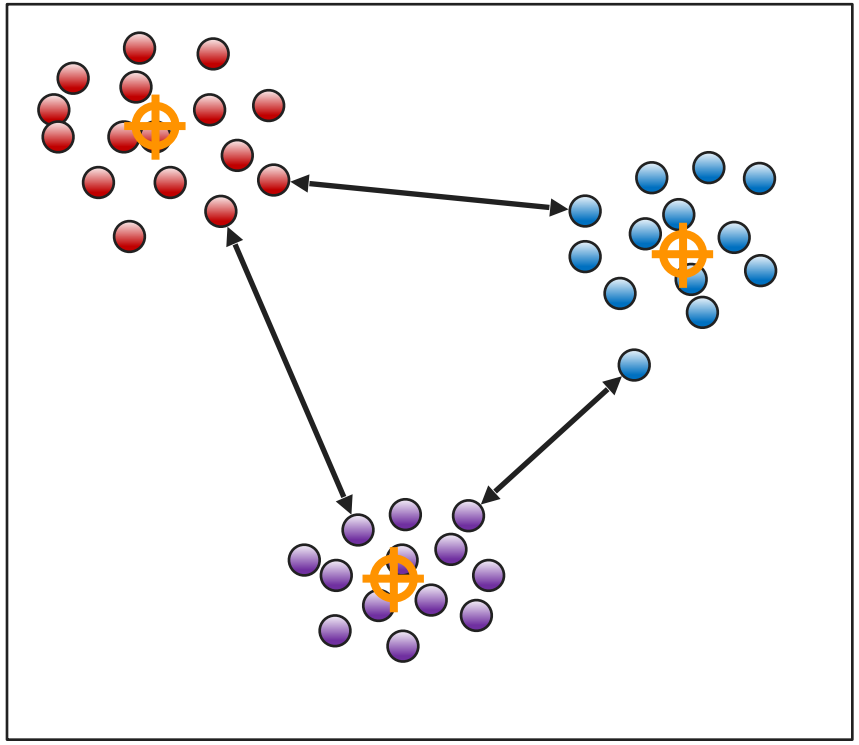

- Clustering requires measuring distance between observations
- Choice of distance metric is extremely important to clustering success

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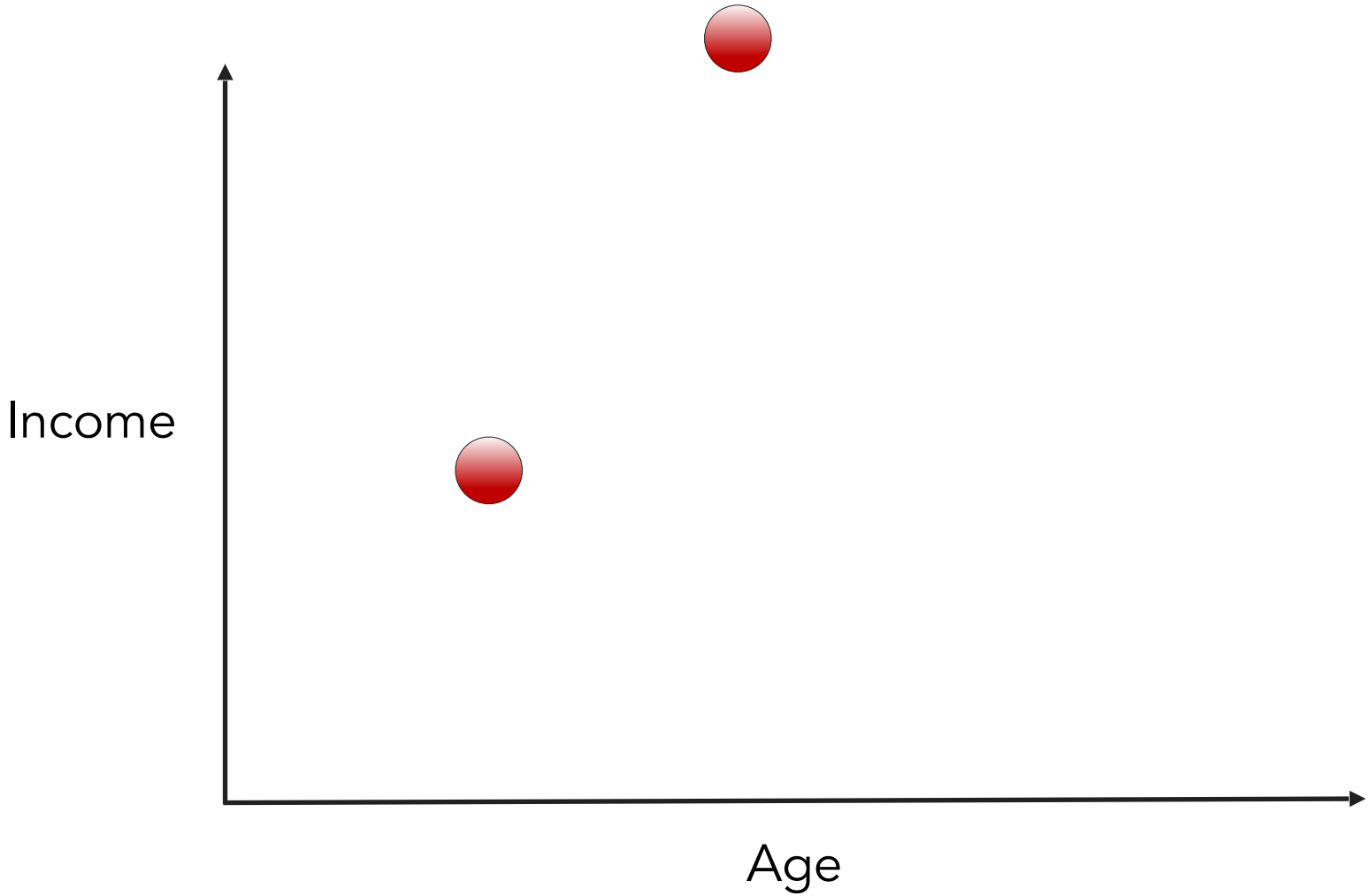
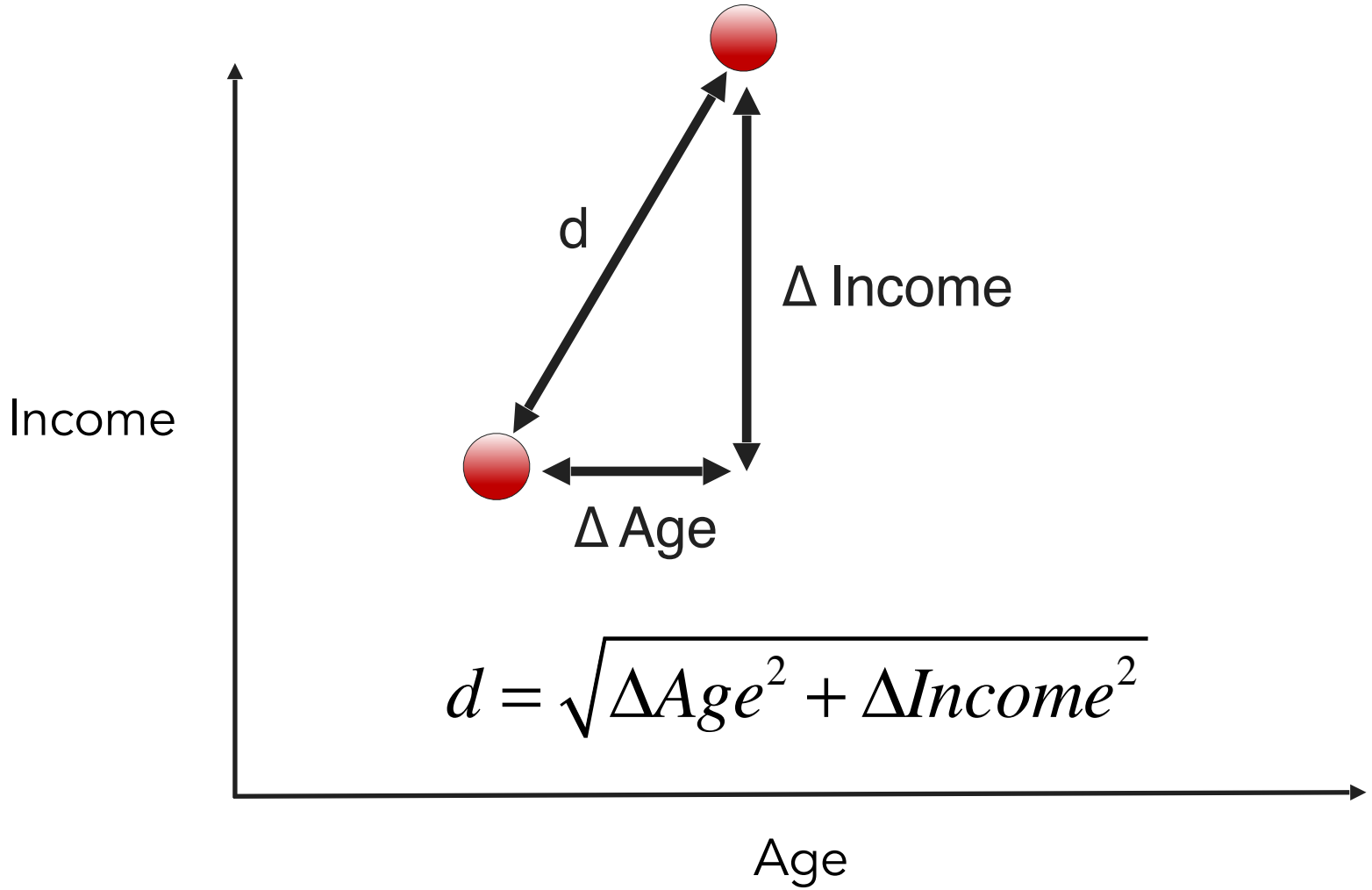
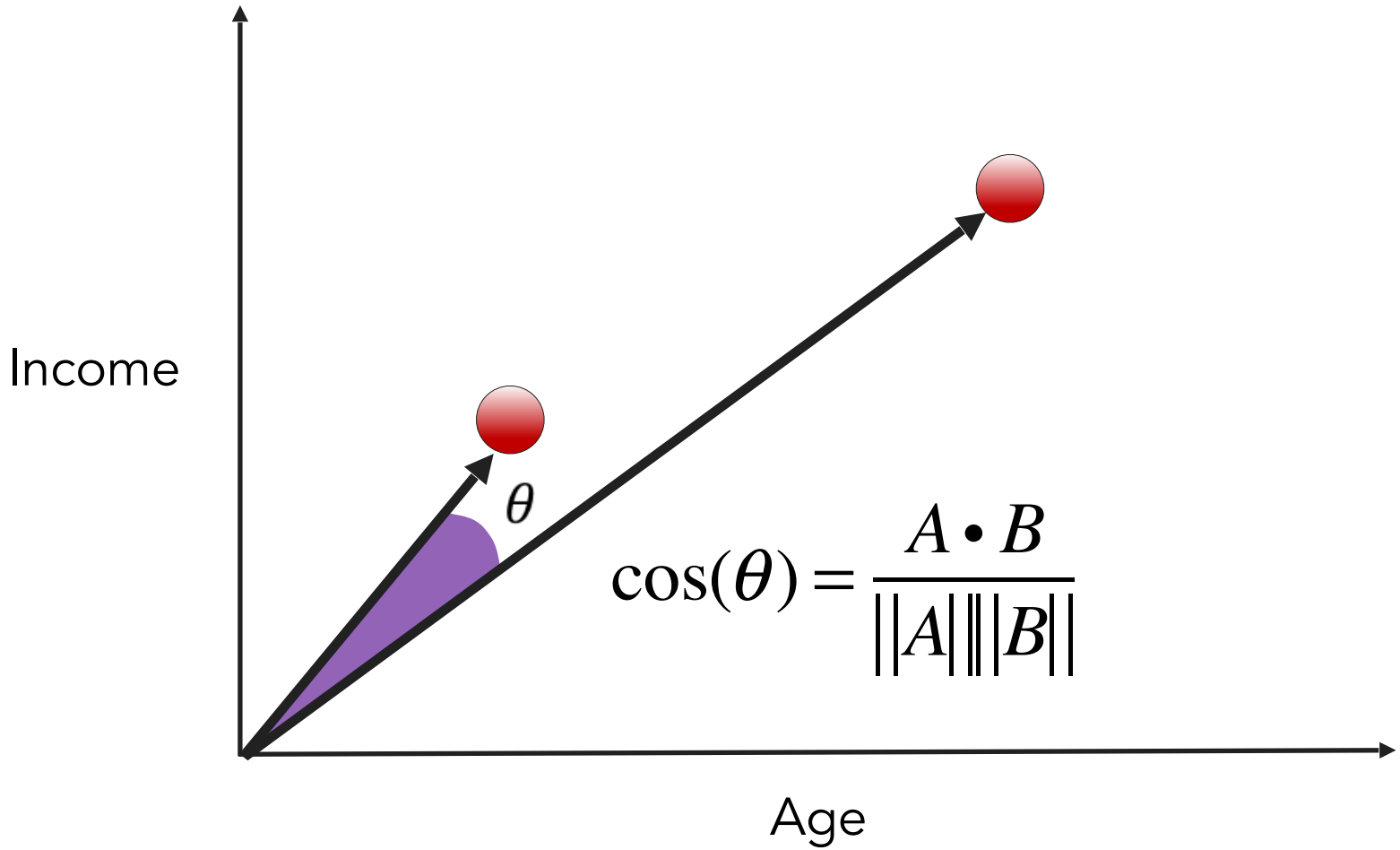


Euclidean Distance



$$d = \sqrt{\Delta Age^2 + \Delta Income^2}$$

Cosine Distance



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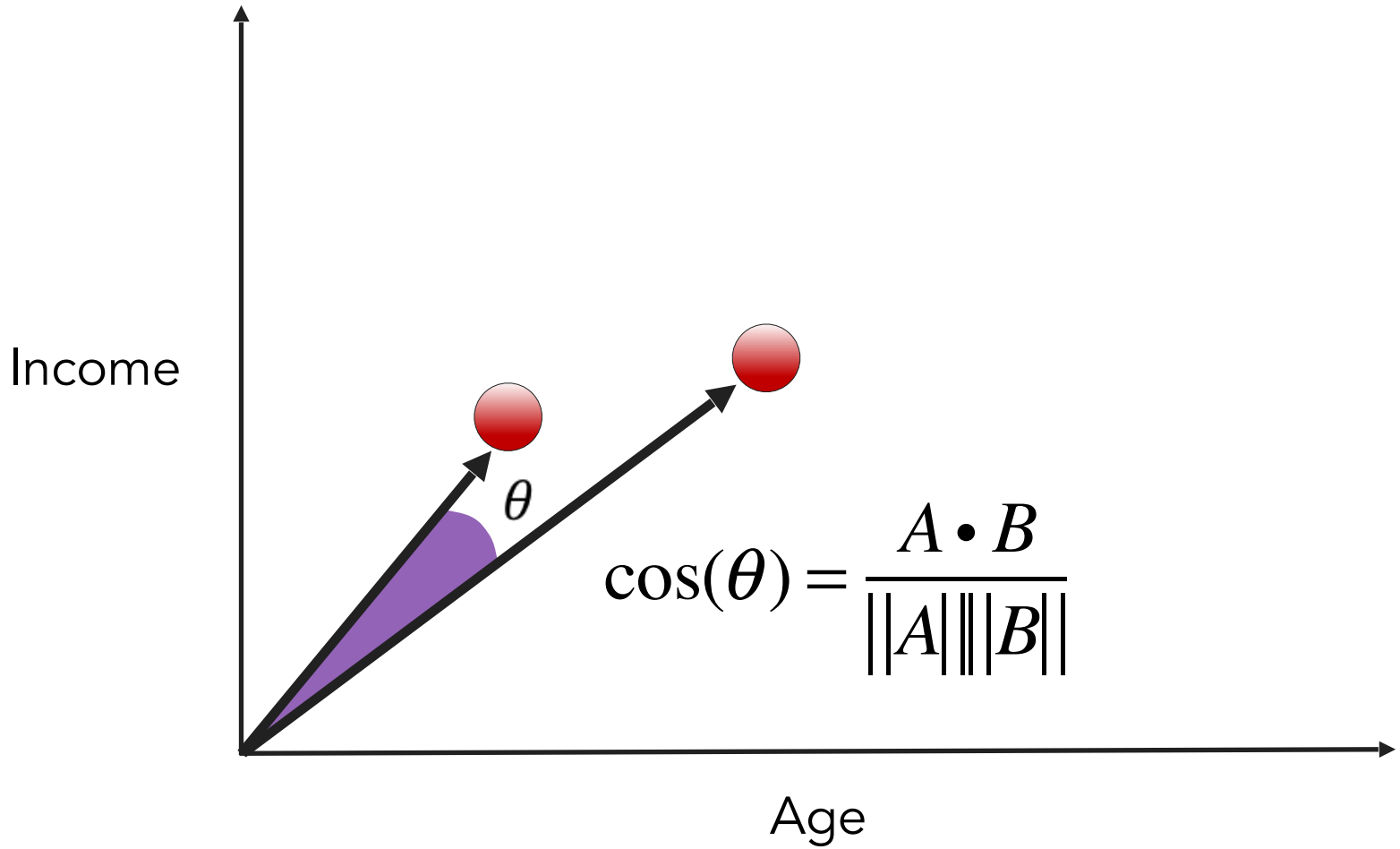

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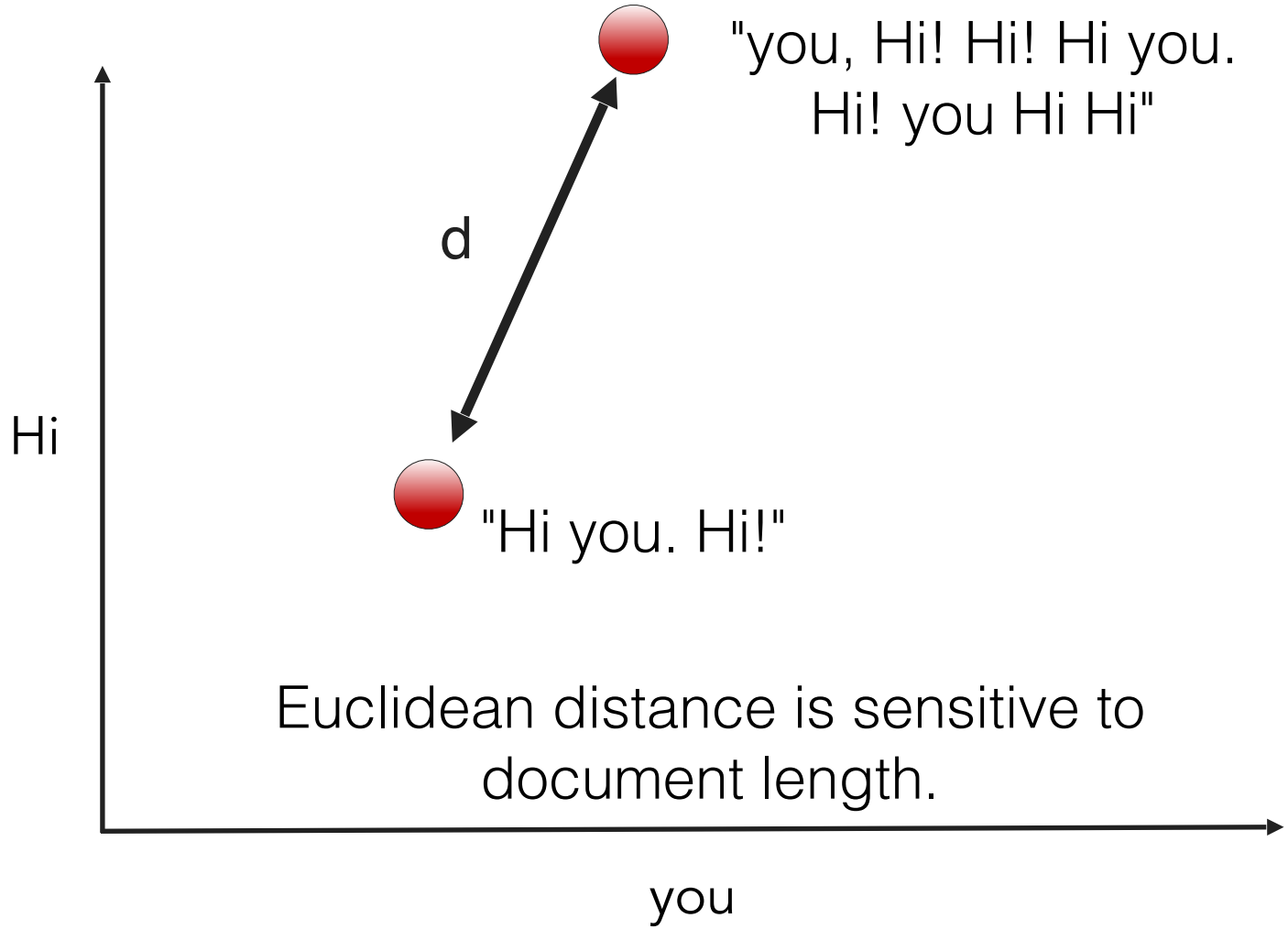

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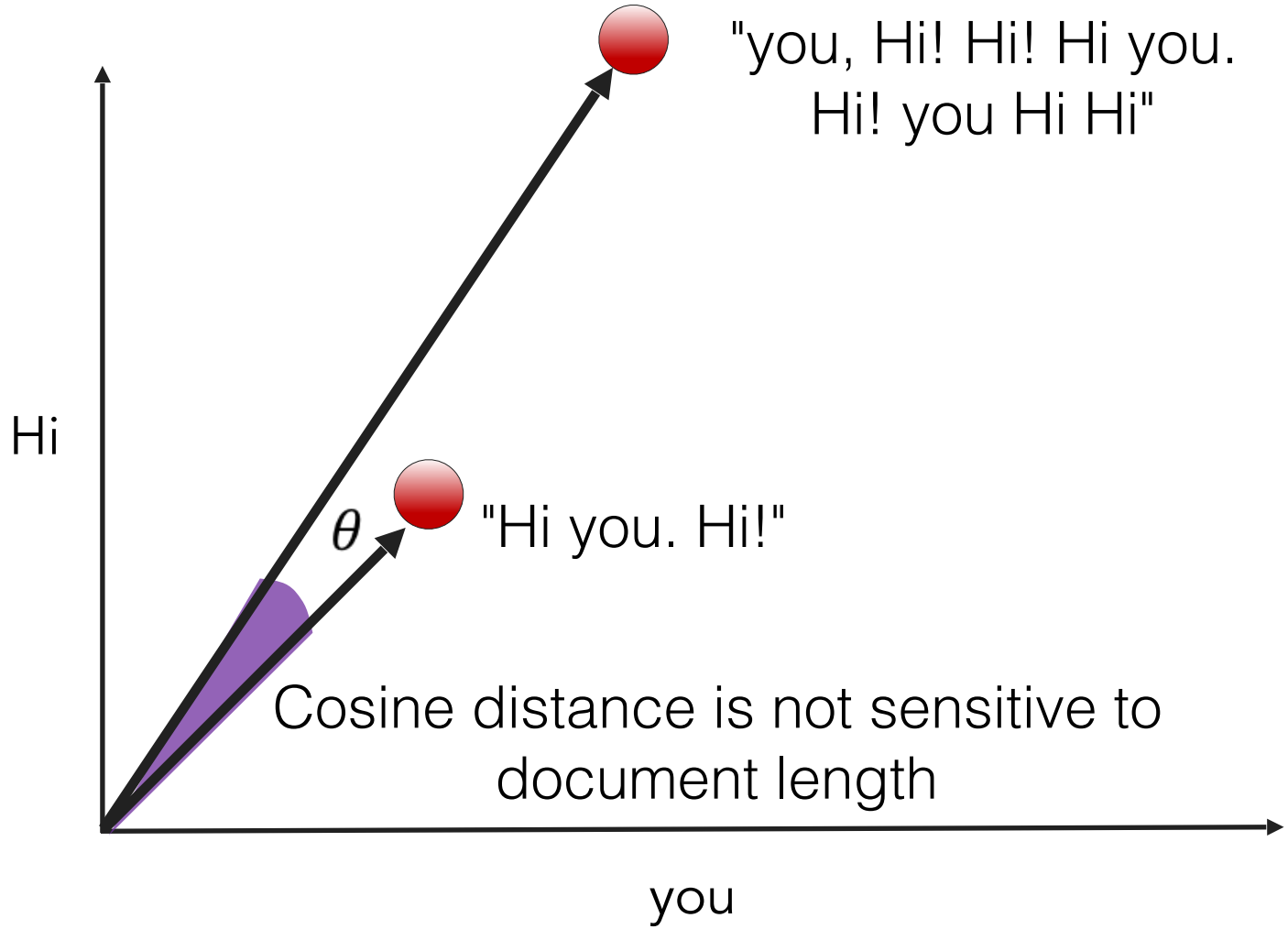

Practice Clustering

Walkthrough

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Exercises

06_Hierarchical_Clustering_Exercises

Topic Modeling

- Goal: Discover topics in a large collection of documents
- For example, articles arranged by topic on a news site

Document Structure

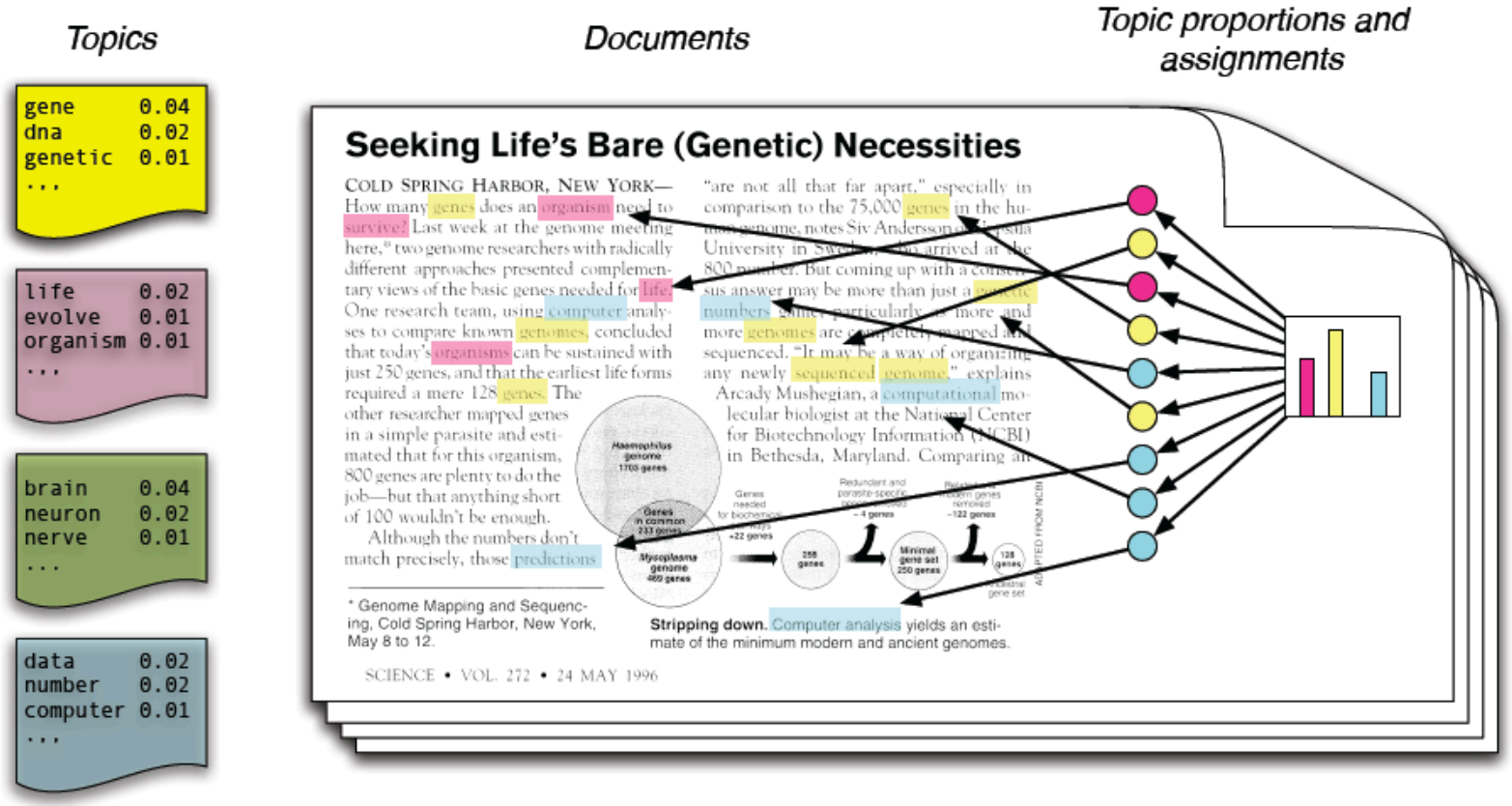
- Assume a document is a distribution of topics
- An article can be 30% business, 30% tech, 40% science

Topic Structure

- Assume a topic is a distribution over words
- Topic 1 is about sports so it uses “game” and “team” frequently
- Topic 2 can also use the words “team” or “game” but less frequently than topic 1

Topic 1		Topic 2		Topic 3	
term	**weight**	**term**	**weight**	**term**	**weight**
game	0.014	space	0.021	drive	0.021
team	0.011	nasa	0.006	card	0.015
hockey	0.009	earth	0.006	system	0.013
play	0.008	henry	0.005	scsi	0.012
games	0.007	launch	0.004	hard	0.011

The Goal



- Find document topic distribution
- Based on topic word distribution

Latent Dirichlet Allocation (LDA)

- Generative model: models how the data is generated
- Assume a set of topics shared by all documents
- To create a document:
  - Generate a topic from the document topic distribution
  - Generate a word from that topic
- Repeat

How is LDA Used?

- Assume a set of documents were generated in this way
- Reverse the generative process to understand topics in a given document
- We won't go into the math
- Let's practice in Python

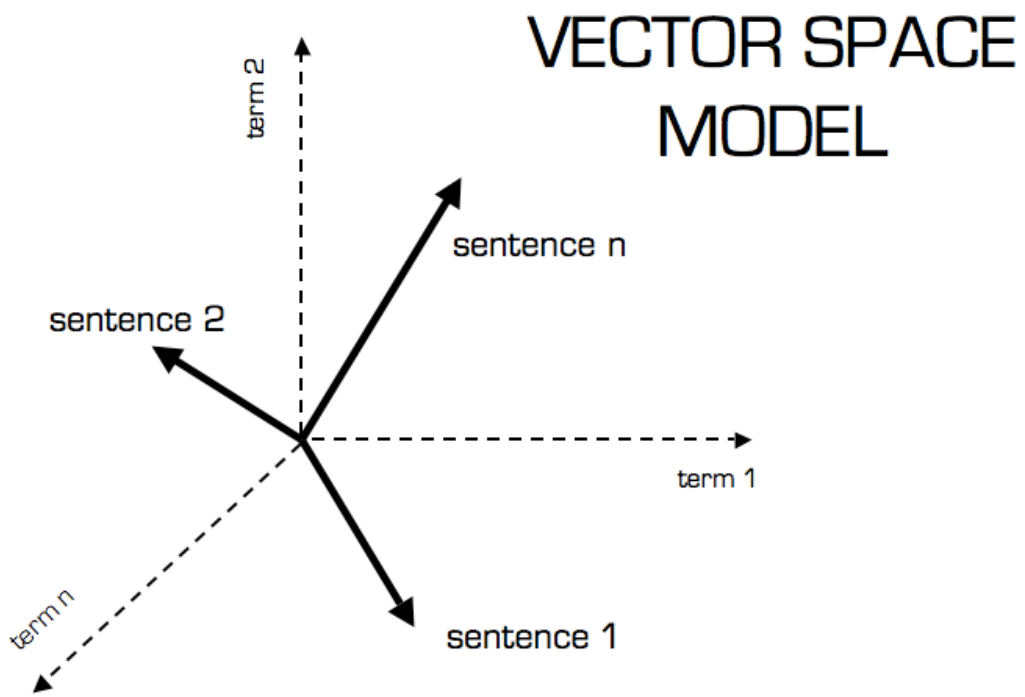
Practice Topic Modeling

- We will complete the first part of 07_LDA_Walkthrough_and_Exercises together
- Then answer the remaining questions

Deep Learning with Text

- **Problem:** taxonomy count increases dramatically with document size

- **Solution:** use a neural network to create a numerical representation (vector) for each word



Word2Vec

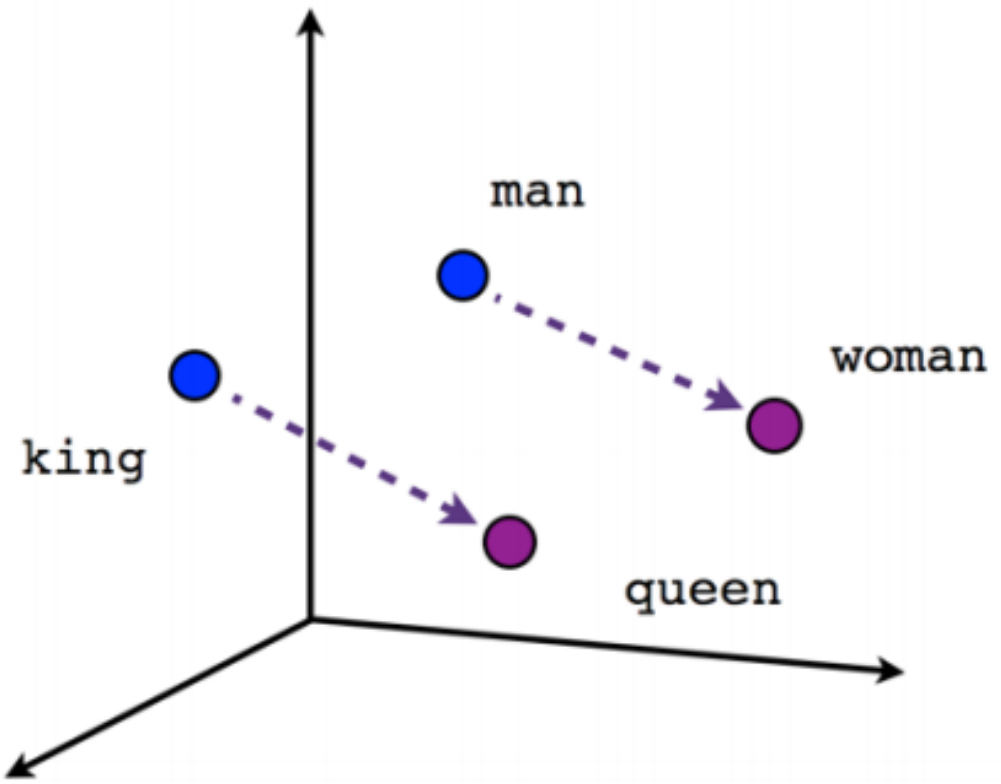
Word Embeddings with Word2Vec

- Word vectors can be used to understand relationships between words

- For example:

man --> woman

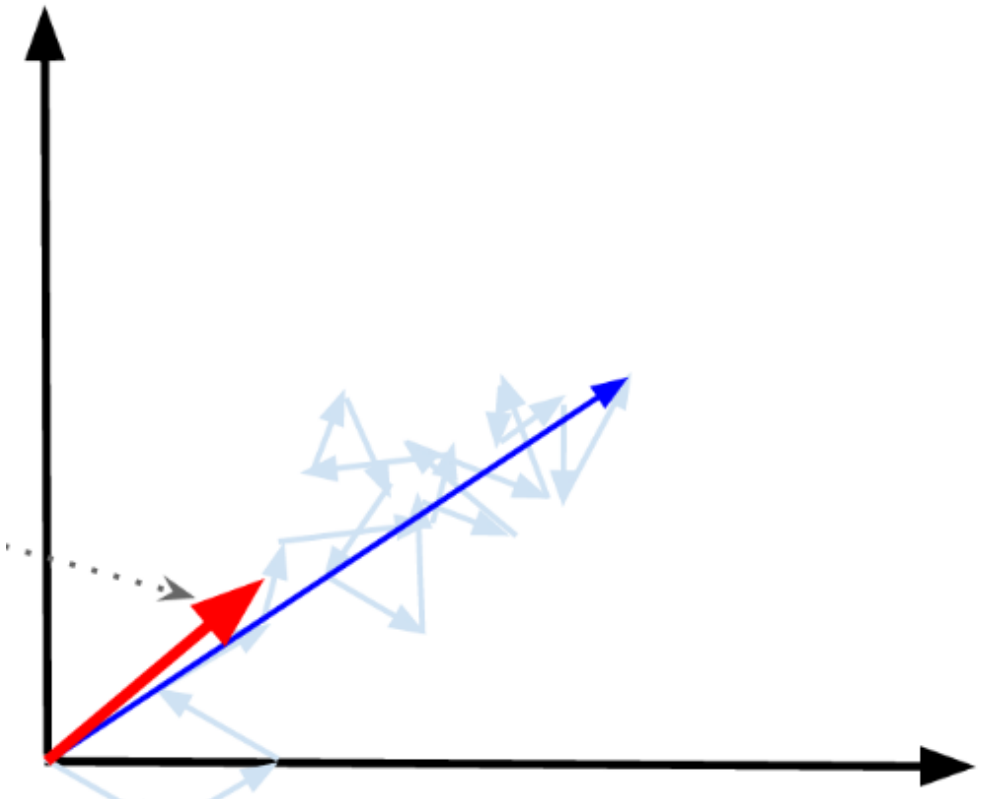
king --> queen



How Can We Use Word2Vec?

- Vectors can be combined to create features for documents

- Neural network requires large training set



Practice Word2Vec

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- Then answer the remaining questions

Thank You

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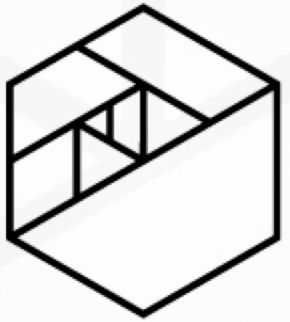

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