



# **CS 412 Intro. to Data Mining**

## **Chapter 10. Cluster Analysis: Basic Concepts and Methods**

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# The *K-Means* Clustering Method

*๓ จาน cluster ที่เราต้องการ*

*k-nearest → จาน. เฉลี่ยบนบ้าน*

*k-item set → ของที่ซื้อพร้อมกัน  
3 อย่าง (k=3)*

□ *K-Means* (MacQueen'67, Lloyd'57/'82)

□ Each cluster is represented by the center of the cluster

□ Given  $K$ , the number of clusters, the *K-Means* clustering algorithm is outlined as follows

*กำหนดค่า k (จำนวนกลุ่ม) k=3*

□ Select  $K$  points as initial centroids *สุ่มจุด 3 จุด (ตัวแทนของ 3 กลุ่ม)*

□ **Repeat** *ทำซ้ำไปเรื่อย ๆ จนกว่าจะจบ*

□ Form  $K$  clusters by assigning each point to its closest centroid *หาจุดที่ใกล้กับ centroid ในกลุ่มมากที่สุด*

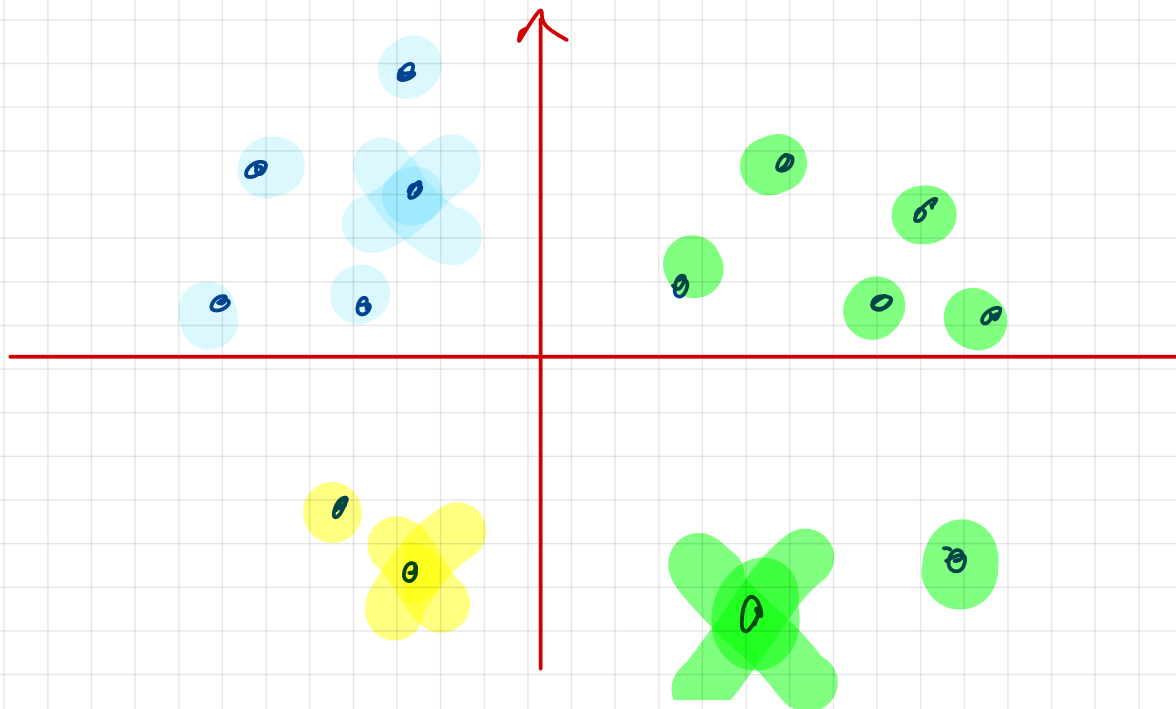
□ Re-compute the centroids (i.e., *mean point*) of each cluster *จุดที่รวมกันของกลุ่ม*

□ **Until** convergence criterion is satisfied

□ Different kinds of measures can be used

□ Manhattan distance ( $L_1$  norm), Euclidean distance ( $L_2$  norm), Cosine similarity

$k=3$



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centroid ใหม

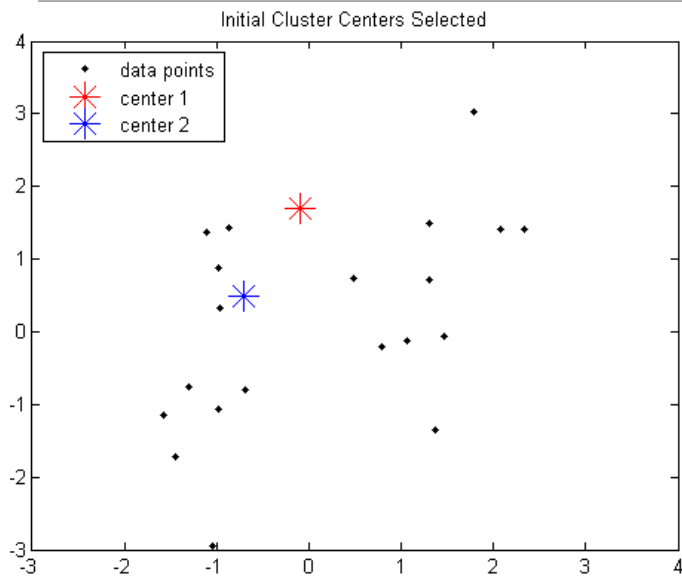
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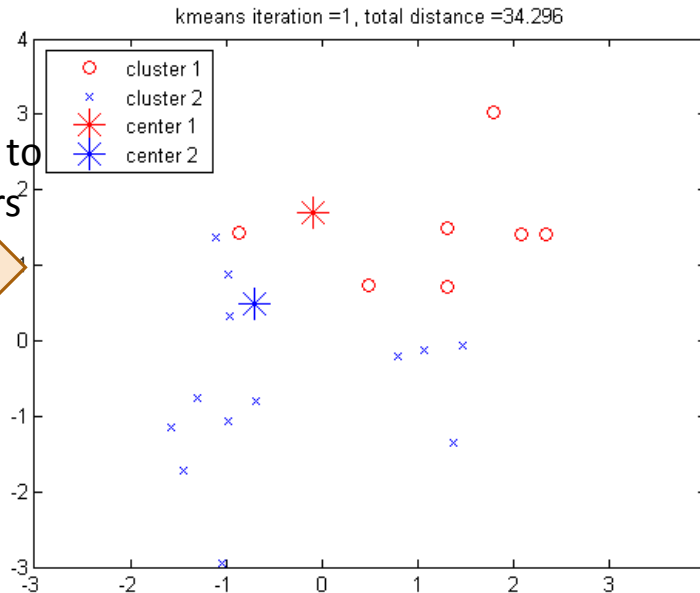
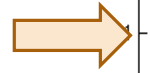
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# Example: *K-Means* Clustering

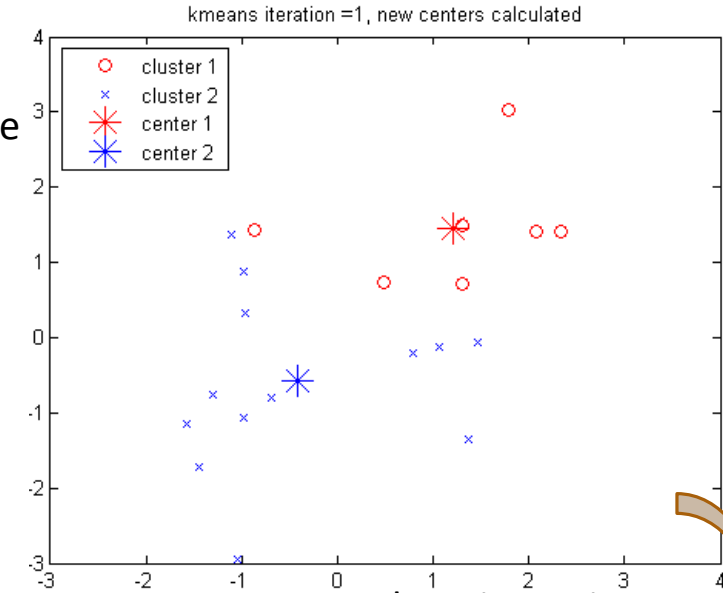


The original data points & randomly select  $K = 2$  centroids

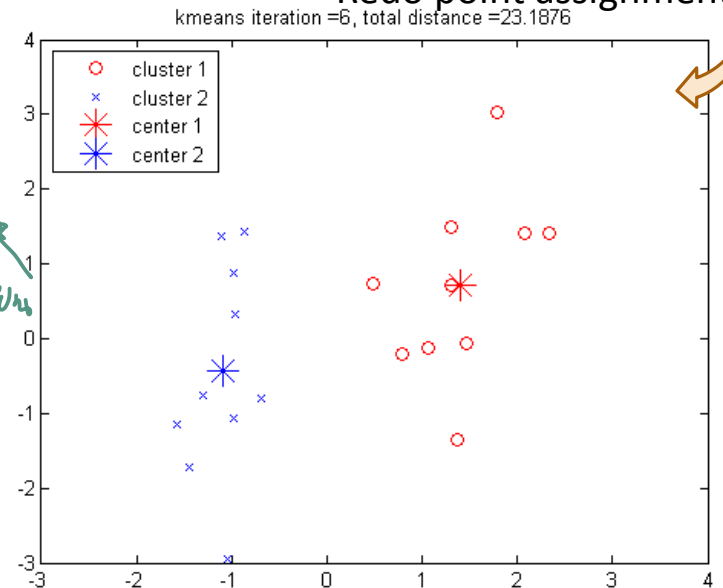
Assign points to clusters



Recompute cluster centers



Redo point assignment



## Execution of the *K-Means* Clustering Algorithm

Select  $K$  points as initial centroids

**Repeat**

- Form  $K$  clusters by assigning each point to its closest centroid
- Re-compute the centroids (i.e., *mean point*) of each cluster

**Until** convergence criterion is satisfied

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กลุ่มมาแล้ว



# Discussion on the *K-Means* Method

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- ❑ **Efficiency:**  $O(tKn)$  where  $n$ : # of objects,  $K$ : # of clusters, and  $t$ : # of iterations
  - ❑ Normally,  $K, t \ll n$ ; thus, an efficient method
- ❑ K-means clustering often ***terminates at a local optimal***
  - ❑ Initialization can be important to find high-quality clusters
- ❑ **Need to specify  $K$** , the *number* of clusters, in advance
  - ❑ There are ways to automatically determine the “*best*”  $K$
  - ❑ In practice, one often runs a range of values and selected the “*best*”  $K$  value
- ❑ **Sensitive to noisy data and *outliers***
  - ❑ Variations: Using K-medians, K-medoids, etc.
- ❑ K-means is applicable only to objects in a continuous  $n$ -dimensional space
  - ❑ Using the K-modes for ***categorical data***
- ❑ Not suitable to discover clusters with ***non-convex shapes***
  - ❑ Using density-based clustering, kernel  $K$ -means, etc.

# Variations of *K-Means*

- There are many variants of the *K-Means* method, varying in different aspects

- Choosing better initial centroid estimates

- *K-means++*, *Intelligent K-Means*, *Genetic K-Means*

To be discussed in this lecture

- Choosing different representative prototypes for the clusters

- *K-Medoids*, *K-Medians*, *K-Modes*

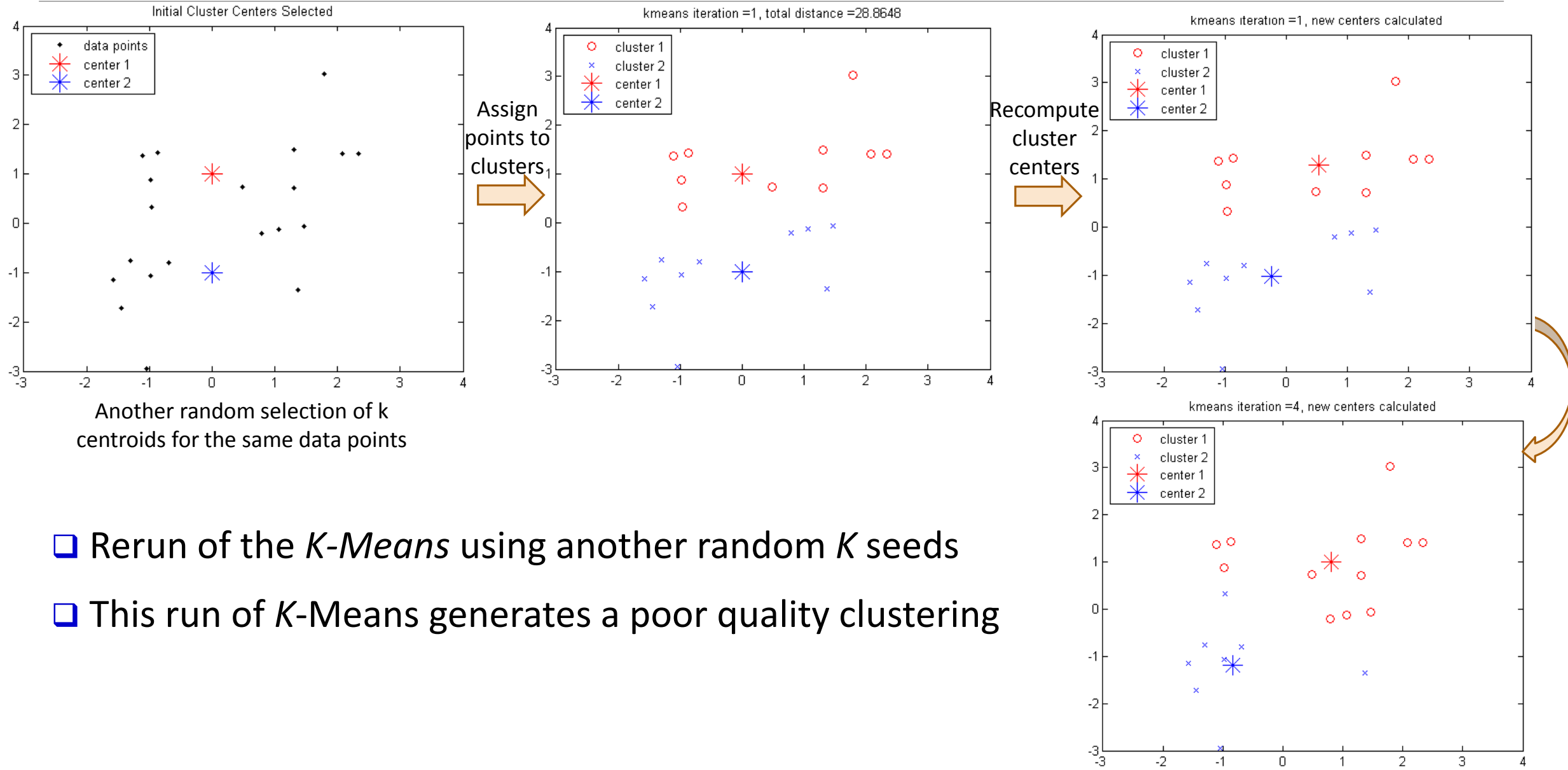
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- Applying feature transformation techniques

- *Weighted K-Means*, *Kernel K-Means*

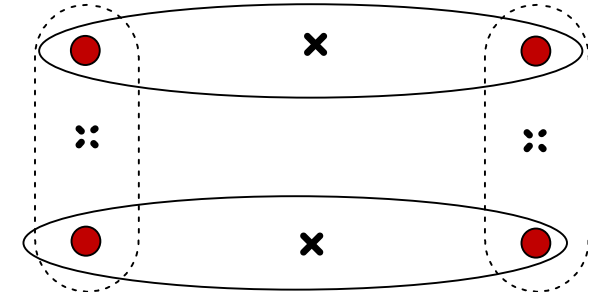
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# Poor Initialization in K-Means May Lead to Poor Clustering



# Initialization of K-Means: Problem and Solution

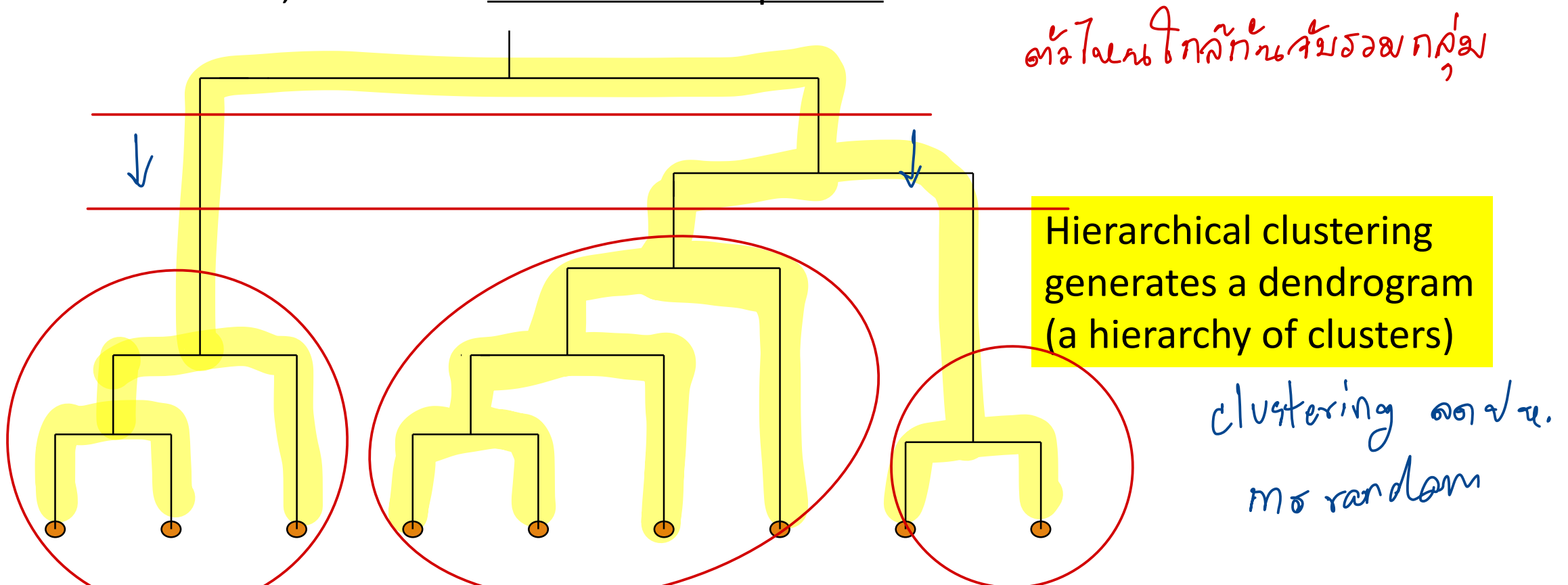
- ❑ Different initializations may generate rather different clustering results (some could be far from optimal)
- ❑ Original proposal (MacQueen'67): Select  $K$  seeds randomly
  - ❑ Need to run the algorithm multiple times using different seeds
- ❑ There are many methods proposed for better initialization of  $k$  seeds
  - ❑ ***K-Means++*** (Arthur & Vassilvitskii'07):
    - ❑ The first centroid is selected at random
    - ❑ The next centroid selected is the one that is farthest from the currently selected (selection is based on a weighted probability score)
    - ❑ The selection continues until  $K$  centroids are obtained





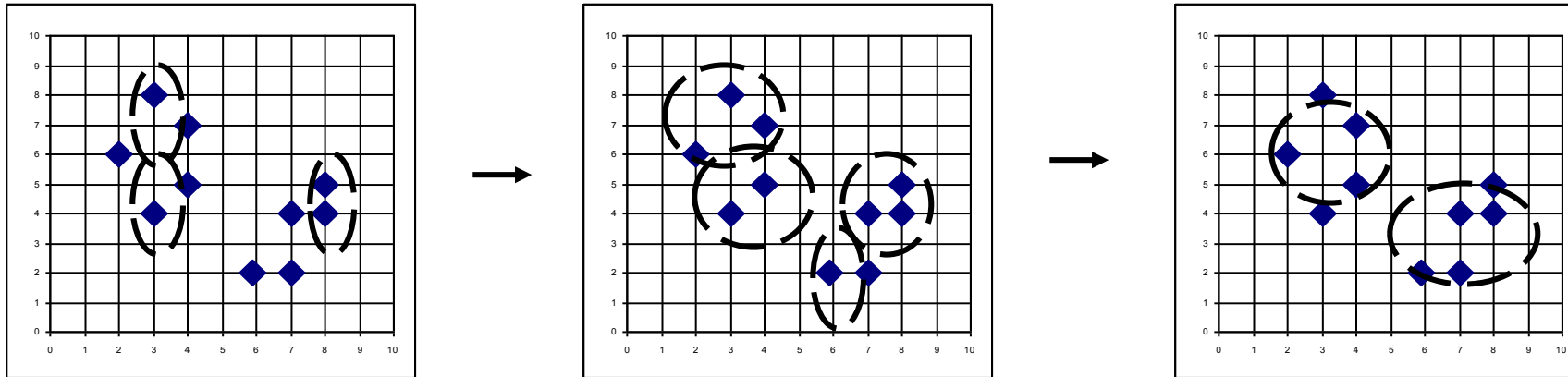
# Dendrogram: Shows How Clusters are Merged

- ❑ Dendrogram: Decompose a set of data objects into a tree of clusters by multi-level nested partitioning
- ❑ A clustering of the data objects is obtained by cutting the dendrogram at the desired level, then each connected component forms a cluster



# Agglomerative Clustering Algorithm

- ❑ AGNES (AGglomerative NESting) (Kaufmann and Rousseeuw, 1990)
  - ❑ Use the **single-link** method and the dissimilarity matrix
  - ❑ Continuously merge nodes that have the least dissimilarity
  - ❑ Eventually all nodes belong to the same cluster

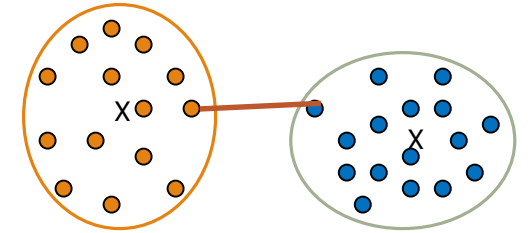


- ❑ Agglomerative clustering varies on different similarity measures among clusters
  - ❑ Single link (nearest neighbor)
  - ❑ Average link (group average)
  - ❑ Complete link (diameter)
  - ❑ Centroid link (centroid similarity)

# Single Link vs. Complete Link in Hierarchical Clustering

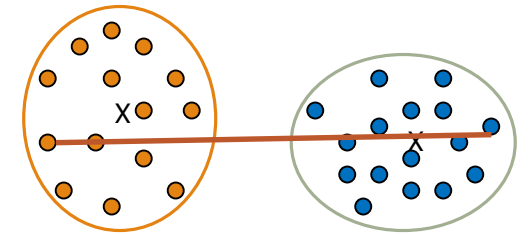
## ❑ Single link (nearest neighbor)

- ❑ The similarity between two clusters is the similarity between their most similar (nearest neighbor) members
- ❑ Local similarity-based: Emphasizing more on close regions, ignoring the overall structure of the cluster
- ❑ Capable of clustering non-elliptical shaped group of objects
- ❑ Sensitive to noise and outliers



## ❑ Complete link (diameter)

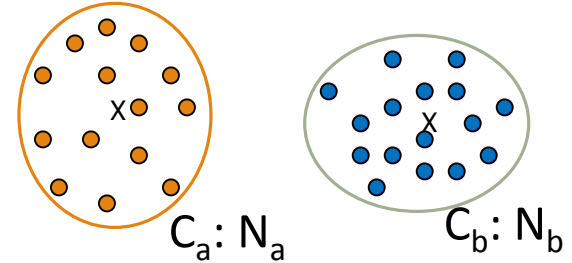
- ❑ The similarity between two clusters is the similarity between their most dissimilar members
- ❑ Merge two clusters to form one with the smallest diameter
- ❑ Nonlocal in behavior, obtaining compact shaped clusters
- ❑ Sensitive to outliers



# Agglomerative Clustering: Average vs. Centroid Links

- Agglomerative clustering with **average link**

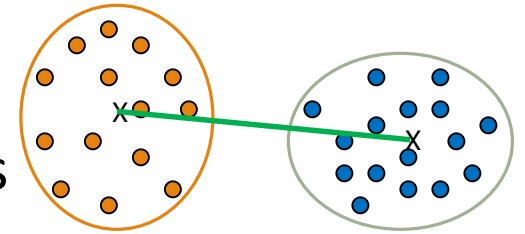
- Average link:** The average distance between an element in one cluster and an element in the other (i.e., all pairs in two clusters)



- Expensive to compute

- Agglomerative clustering with **centroid link**

- Centroid link:** The distance between the centroids of two clusters



- Group Averaged Agglomerative Clustering (GAAC)**

- Let two clusters  $C_a$  and  $C_b$  be merged into  $C_{a \cup b}$ . The new centroid is:

- $N_a$  is the cardinality of cluster  $C_a$ , and  $c_a$  is the centroid of  $C_a$

$$c_{a \cup b} = \frac{N_a c_a + N_b c_b}{N_a + N_b}$$

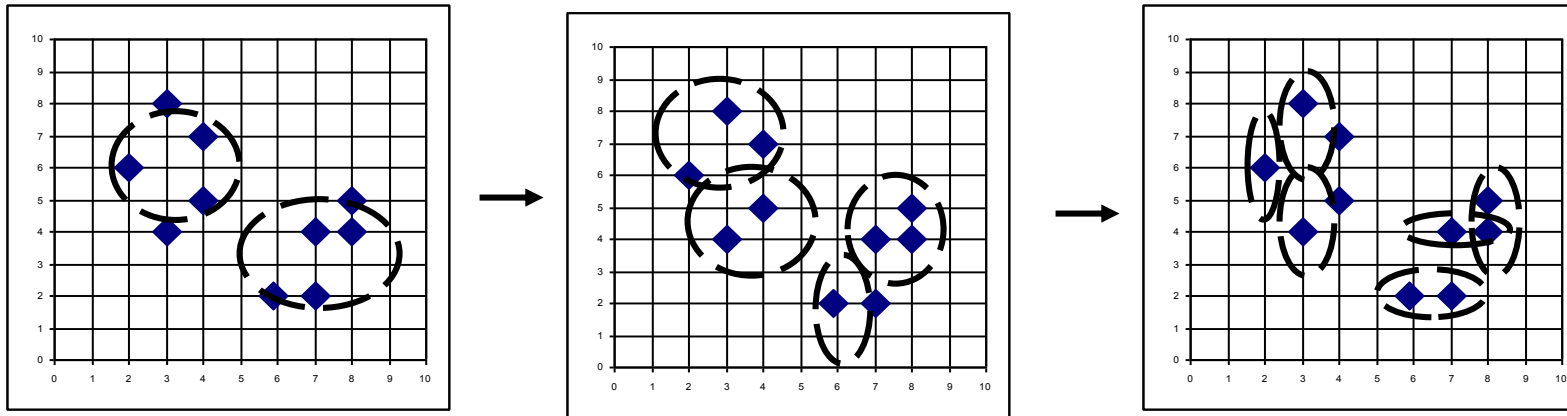
- The similarity measure for GAAC is the average of their distances

- Agglomerative clustering with **Ward's criterion**

- Ward's criterion:** The increase in the value of the SSE criterion for the clustering obtained by merging them into  $C_a \cup C_b$ : 
$$W(C_{a \cup b}, c_{a \cup b}) - W(C, c) = \frac{N_a N_b}{N_a + N_b} d(c_a, c_b)$$

# Divisive Clustering

- ❑ DIANA (Divisive Analysis) (Kaufmann and Rousseeuw, 1990)
  - ❑ Implemented in some statistical analysis packages, e.g., Splus
- ❑ Inverse order of AGNES: Eventually each node forms a cluster on its own



- ❑ Divisive clustering is a top-down approach
  - ❑ The process starts at the root with all the points as one cluster
  - ❑ It recursively splits the higher level clusters to build the dendrogram
  - ❑ Can be considered as a global approach
  - ❑ More efficient when compared with agglomerative clustering



# Clustering Validation

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- ❑ Clustering Validation: Basic Concepts
- ❑ Clustering Evaluation: Measuring Clustering Quality
- ❑ External Measures for Clustering Validation
  - ❑ I: Matching-Based Measures
  - ❑ II: Entropy-Based Measures
  - ❑ III: Pairwise Measures
- ❑ Internal Measures for Clustering Validation
- ❑ Relative Measures
- ❑ Cluster Stability
- ❑ Clustering Tendency

# Clustering Validation and Assessment

- Major issues on clustering validation and assessment

- Clustering evaluation

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- Evaluating the goodness of the clustering

- Clustering stability

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- To understand the sensitivity of the clustering result to various algorithm parameters, e.g., # of clusters

- Clustering tendency

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- Assess the suitability of clustering, i.e., whether the data has any inherent grouping structure

# Measuring Clustering Quality

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- ❑ **Clustering Evaluation:** Evaluating the goodness of clustering results
  - ❑ No commonly recognized best suitable measure in practice
- ❑ **Three categorization of measures:** External, internal, and relative
  - ❑ **External:** Supervised, employ criteria not inherent to the dataset
    - ❑ Compare a clustering against prior or expert-specified knowledge (i.e., the ground truth) using certain clustering quality measure
  - ❑ **Internal:** Unsupervised, criteria derived from data itself
    - ❑ Evaluate the goodness of a clustering by considering how well the clusters are separated and how compact the clusters are, e.g., silhouette coefficient
  - ❑ **Relative:** Directly compare different clusterings, usually those obtained via different parameter settings for the same algorithm

# Measuring Clustering Quality: External Methods

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□ Given the **ground truth**  $T$ ,  $Q(C, T)$  is the **quality measure** for a clustering  $C$

□  $Q(C, T)$  is good if it satisfies the following **four** essential criteria

① □ **Cluster homogeneity** *ไม่เอากลุ่มผสม*  
□ The purer, the better  
 $C = (AAAA)(BABA) \times$  1 คะแนน

② □ **Cluster completeness** *กลุ่มเดียวกันนี้รวมเข้าด้วยกัน*  
□ Assign objects belonging to the same category in the ground truth to the same cluster  
 $(AAAA)(BB)(AA) \checkmark$

③ □ **Rag bag better than alien** *อันนี้คือ 1 คะแนน (กรณีที่มี 1, 2 หรือเลือกกรณี 2)*  
□ Putting a heterogeneous object into a **pure cluster** should be penalized more than putting it into a *rag bag* (i.e., “miscellaneous” or “other” category)

④ □ **Small cluster preservation** *อย่าให้ใครจัดเป็นกลุ่มเล็ก ๆ มากเกินไป*  
□ Splitting a small category into pieces is more harmful than splitting a large category into pieces  
*Occams razor*

# Commonly Used External Measures

## ❑ Matching-based measures (To be covered)

- ❑ Purity, maximum matching, F-measure

## ❑ Entropy-Based Measures

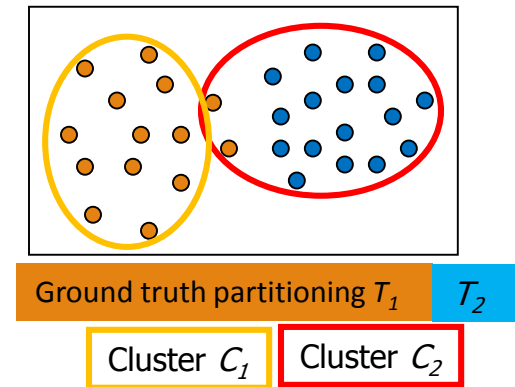
- ❑ Conditional entropy (To be covered)
- ❑ Normalized mutual information (NMI) (To be covered)
- ❑ Variation of information

## ❑ Pairwise measures (To be covered)

- ❑ Four possibilities: True positive (TP), FN, FP, TN
- ❑ Jaccard coefficient, Rand statistic, Fowlkes-Mallow measure

## ❑ Correlation measures

- ❑ Discretized Huber static, normalized discretized Huber static





# Internal Measures (I): BetaCV Measure

maximize data compactness and inter-cluster separation

- A trade-off in maximizing intra-cluster compactness and inter-cluster separation
- Given a clustering  $C = \{C_1, \dots, C_k\}$  with  $k$  clusters, cluster  $C_i$  containing  $n_i = |C_i|$  points

- Let  $W(S, R)$  be sum of weights on all edges with one vertex in  $S$  and the other in  $R$

- The sum of all the intra-cluster weights over all clusters:  $W_{in} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^k W(C_i, C_i)$

- The sum of all the inter-cluster weights:  $W_{out} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^k W(C_i, \overline{C_i}) = \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \sum_{j>i} W(C_i, C_j)$

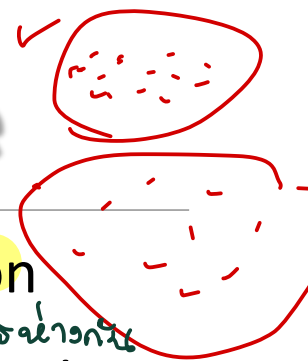
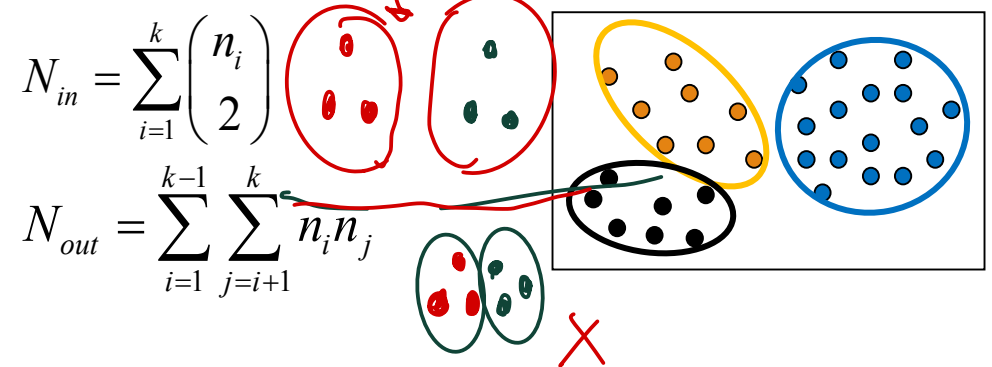
- The number of distinct intra-cluster edges:  $N_{in} = \sum_{i=1}^k \binom{n_i}{2}$

- The number of distinct inter-cluster edges:  $N_{out} = \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^k n_i n_j$

- **Beta-CV measure:**  $BetaCV = \frac{W_{in} / N_{in}}{W_{out} / N_{out}}$

- The ratio of the mean intra-cluster distance to the mean inter-cluster distance

- The smaller, the better the clustering



between clusters

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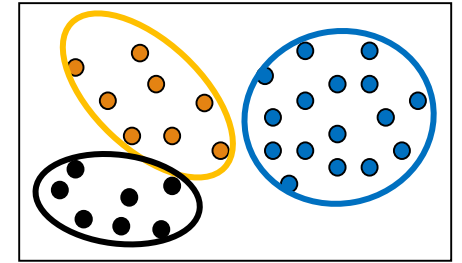
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# Internal Measures (II): Normalized Cut and Modularity

□ **Normalized cut:** 
$$NC = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{W(C_i, \bar{C}_i)}{vol(C_i)} = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{W(C_i, \bar{C}_i)}{W(C_i, V)} = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{W(C_i, \bar{C}_i)}{W(C_i, C_i) + W(C_i, \bar{C}_i)} = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{1}{\frac{W(C_i, C_i)}{W(C_i, \bar{C}_i)} + 1}$$

where  $vol(C_i) = W(C_i, V)$  is the volume of cluster  $C_i$

- The higher normalized cut value, the better the clustering



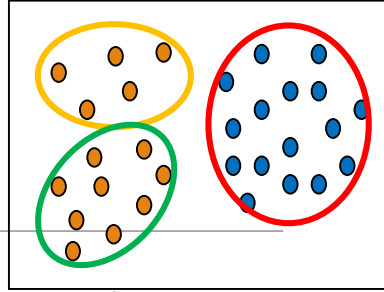
□ **Modularity** (for graph clustering) 
$$Q = \sum_{i=1}^k \left( \frac{W(C_i, C_i)}{W(V, V)} - \left( \frac{W(C_i, V)}{W(V, V)} \right)^2 \right)$$

- Modularity  $Q$  is defined as

where 
$$W(V, V) = \sum_{i=1}^k W(C_i, V) = \sum_{i=1}^k W(C_i, C_i) + \sum_{i=1}^k W(C_i, \bar{C}_i) = 2(W_{in} + W_{out})$$

- Modularity measures the difference between the observed and expected fraction of weights on edges within the clusters.
- The smaller the value, the better the clustering—the intra-cluster distances are lower than expected

# Relative Measure



- Relative measure: Directly compare different clusterings, usually those obtained via different parameter settings for the same algorithm

- Silhouette coefficient as an internal measure:** Check cluster cohesion and separation

- For each point  $\mathbf{x}_i$ , its silhouette coefficient  $s_i$  is: 
$$s_i = \frac{\mu_{out}^{\min}(\mathbf{x}_i) - \mu_{in}(\mathbf{x}_i)}{\max\{\mu_{out}^{\min}(\mathbf{x}_i), \mu_{in}(\mathbf{x}_i)\}}$$
 where  $\mu_{in}(\mathbf{x}_i)$  is the mean distance from  $\mathbf{x}_i$  to points in its own cluster

$\mu_{out}^{\min}(\mathbf{x}_i)$  is the mean distance from  $\mathbf{x}_i$  to points in its closest cluster

- Silhouette coefficient (SC) is the mean values of  $s_i$  across all the points: 
$$SC = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n s_i$$

- SC close to +1 implies good clustering

- Points are close to their own clusters but far from other clusters

- Silhouette coefficient as a relative measure:** Estimate the # of clusters in the data

$$SC_i = \frac{1}{n_i} \sum_{x_j \in C_i} s_j$$

Pick the  $k$  value that yields the best clustering, i.e., yielding high values for  $SC$  and  $SC_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq k$ )