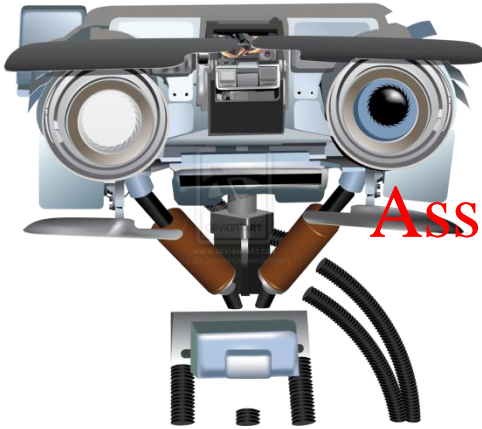


Announcements

Reminder: ps2 due Thursday at midnight (Boston)

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- Self-Grading form for ps1 out Friday 9/25 (1 week to turn in)
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- Self-Grading form for ps2 out Monday 9/28 (1 week to turn in)
- Lab this week (no more rotations) – Linear/Logistic Regression, Anaconda



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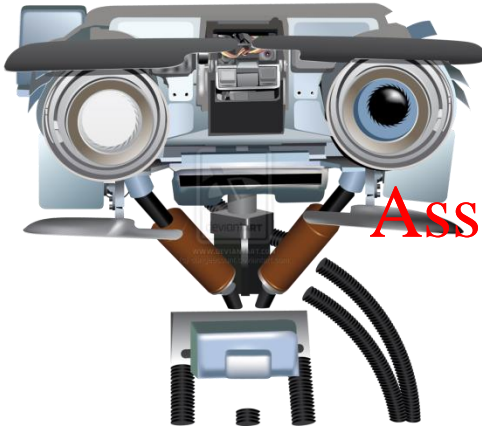
Today

- Unsupervised learning
 - K-Means clustering
 - Gaussian Mixture clustering

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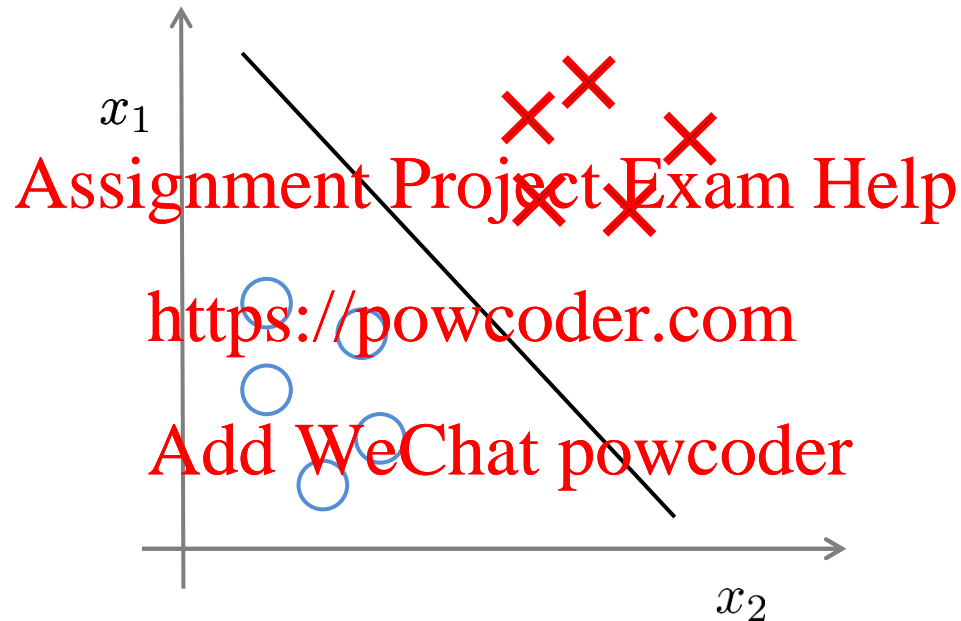
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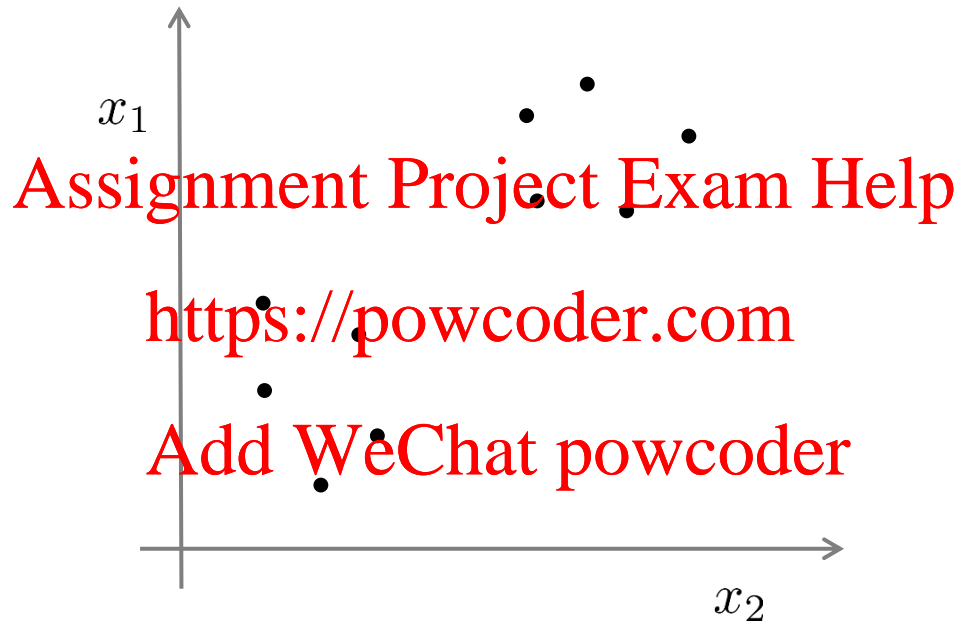
Clustering

Supervised learning



Training set: $\{(x^{(1)}, y^{(1)}), (x^{(2)}, y^{(2)}), (x^{(3)}, y^{(3)}), \dots, (x^{(m)}, y^{(m)})\}$

Unsupervised learning

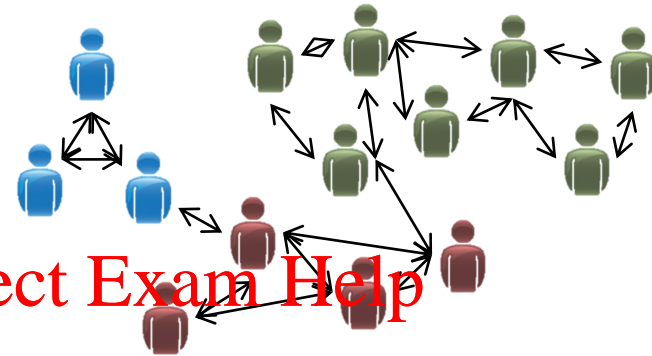


Training set: $\{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, x^{(3)}, \dots, x^{(m)}\}$

Clustering



Gene analysis



Social network analysis

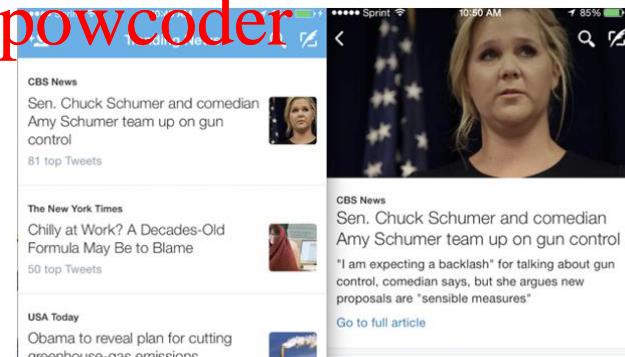
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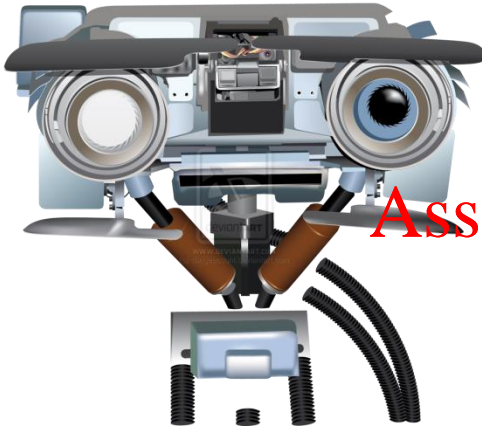
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Types of voters



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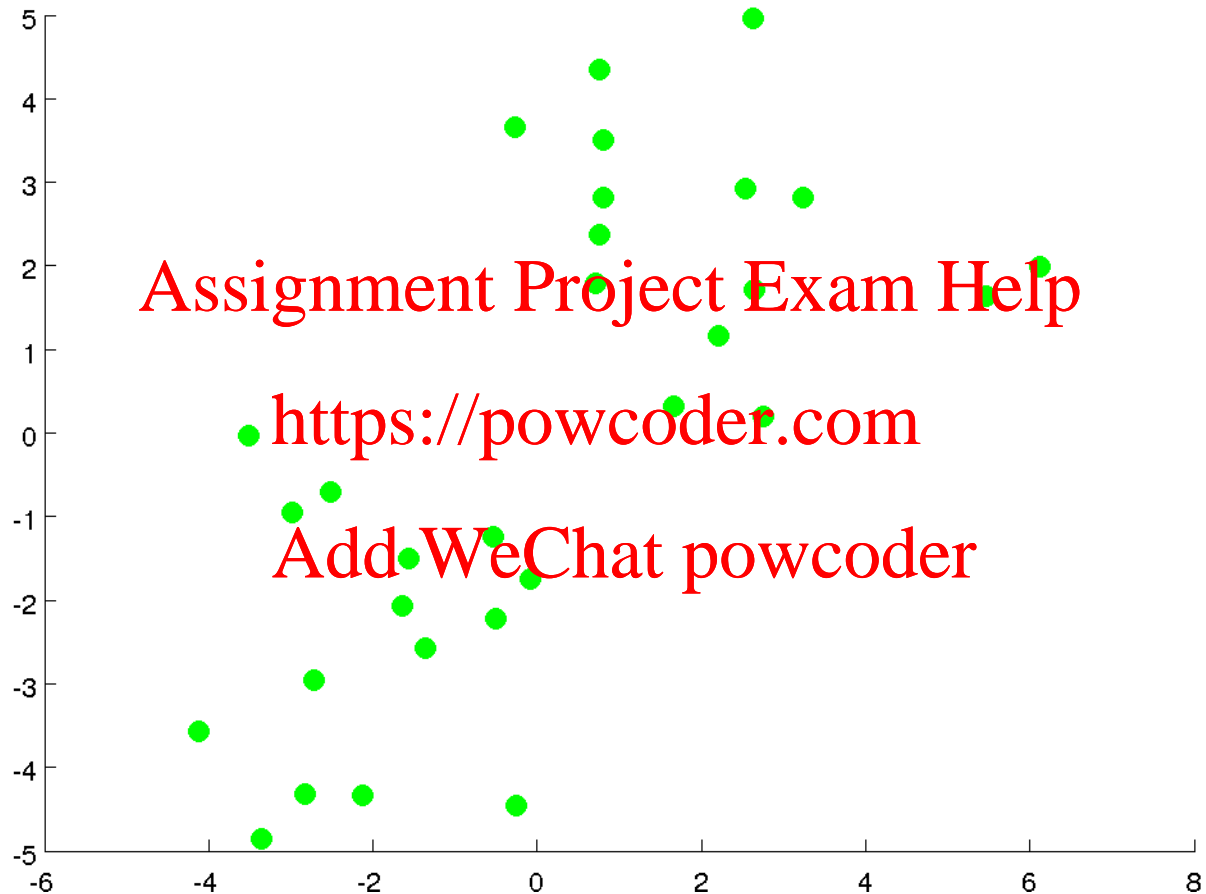
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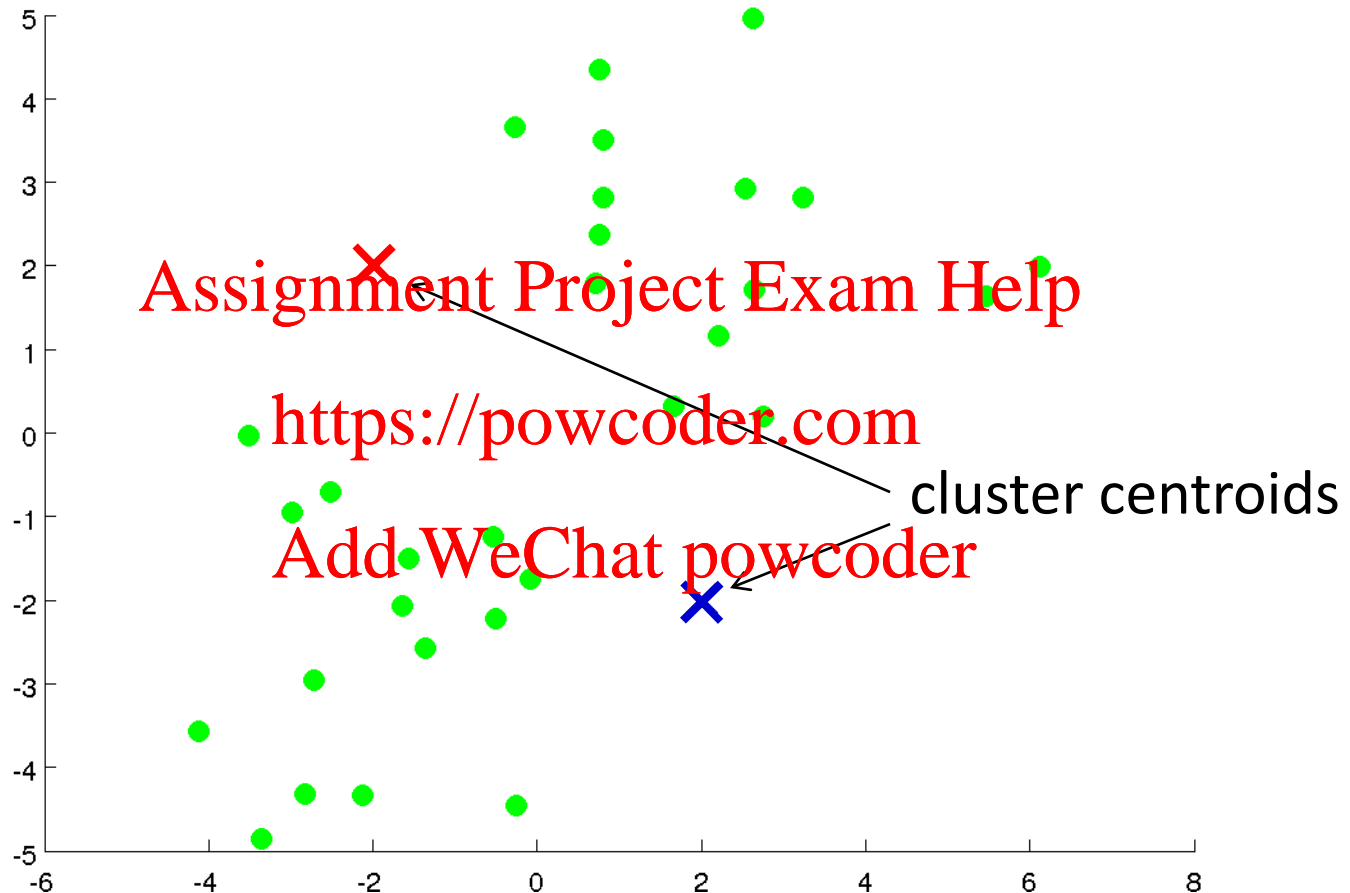
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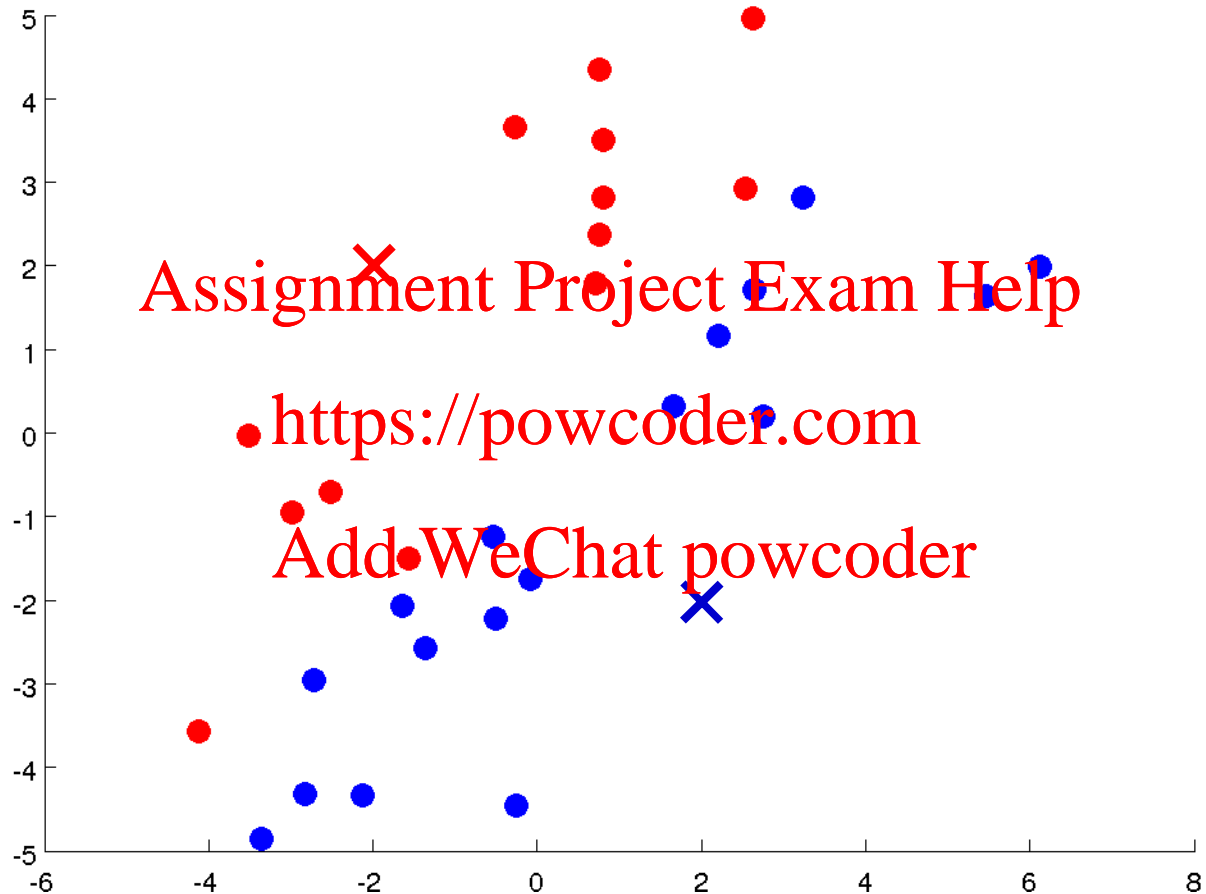
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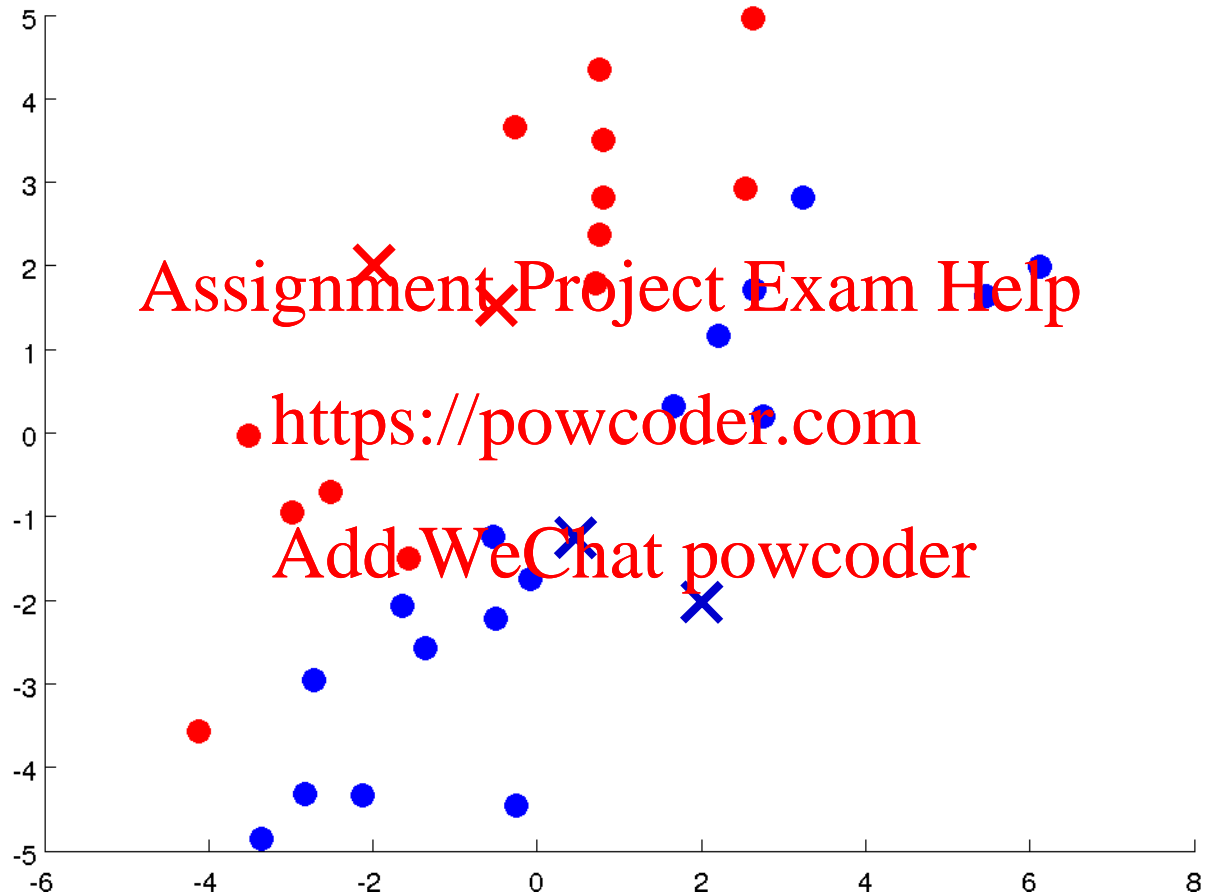
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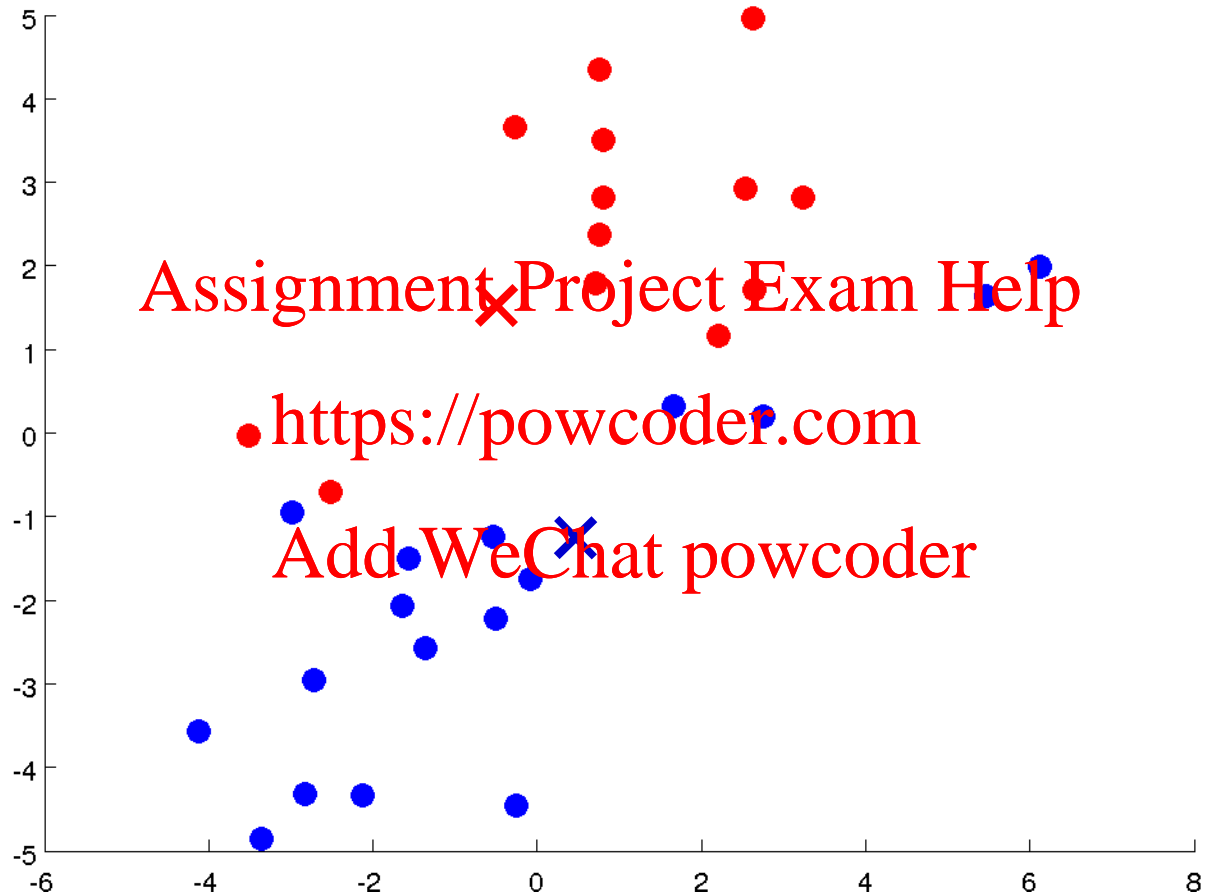
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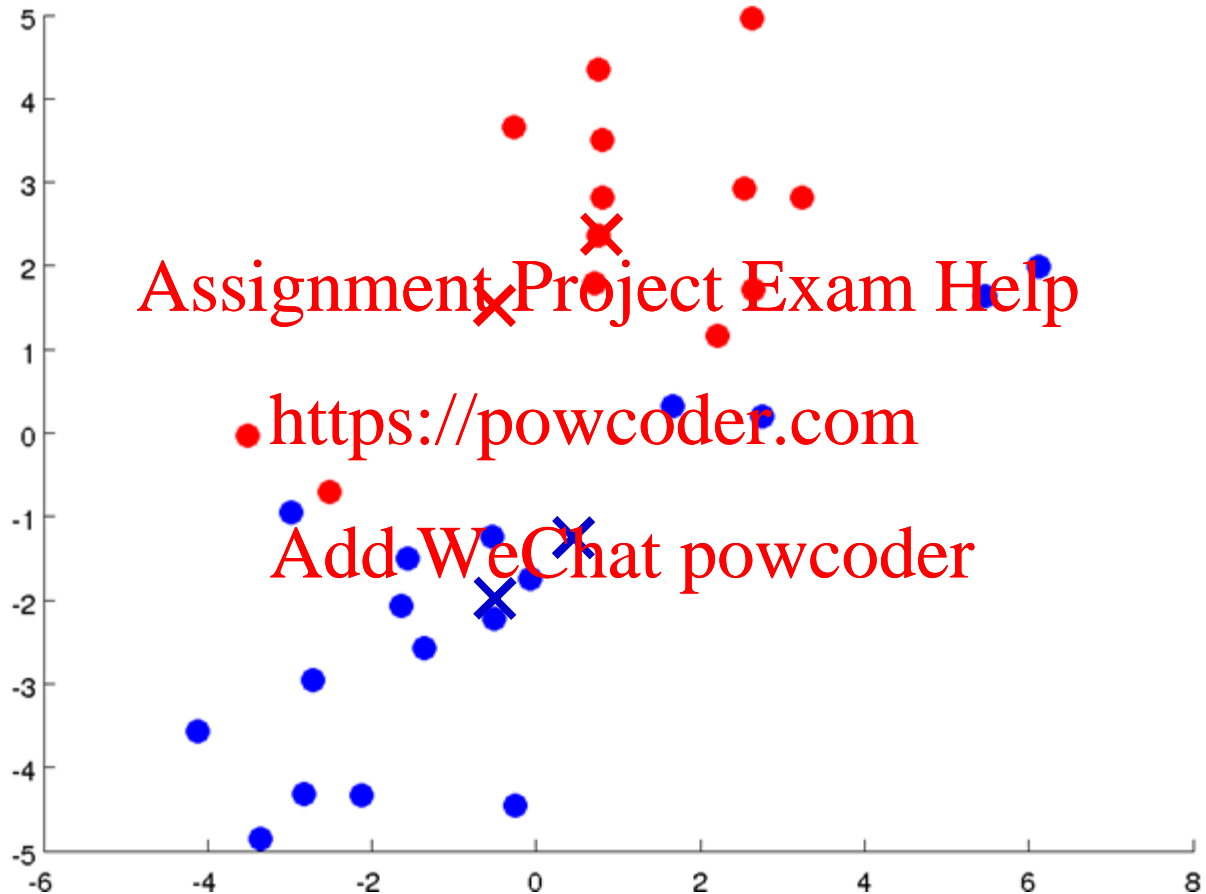


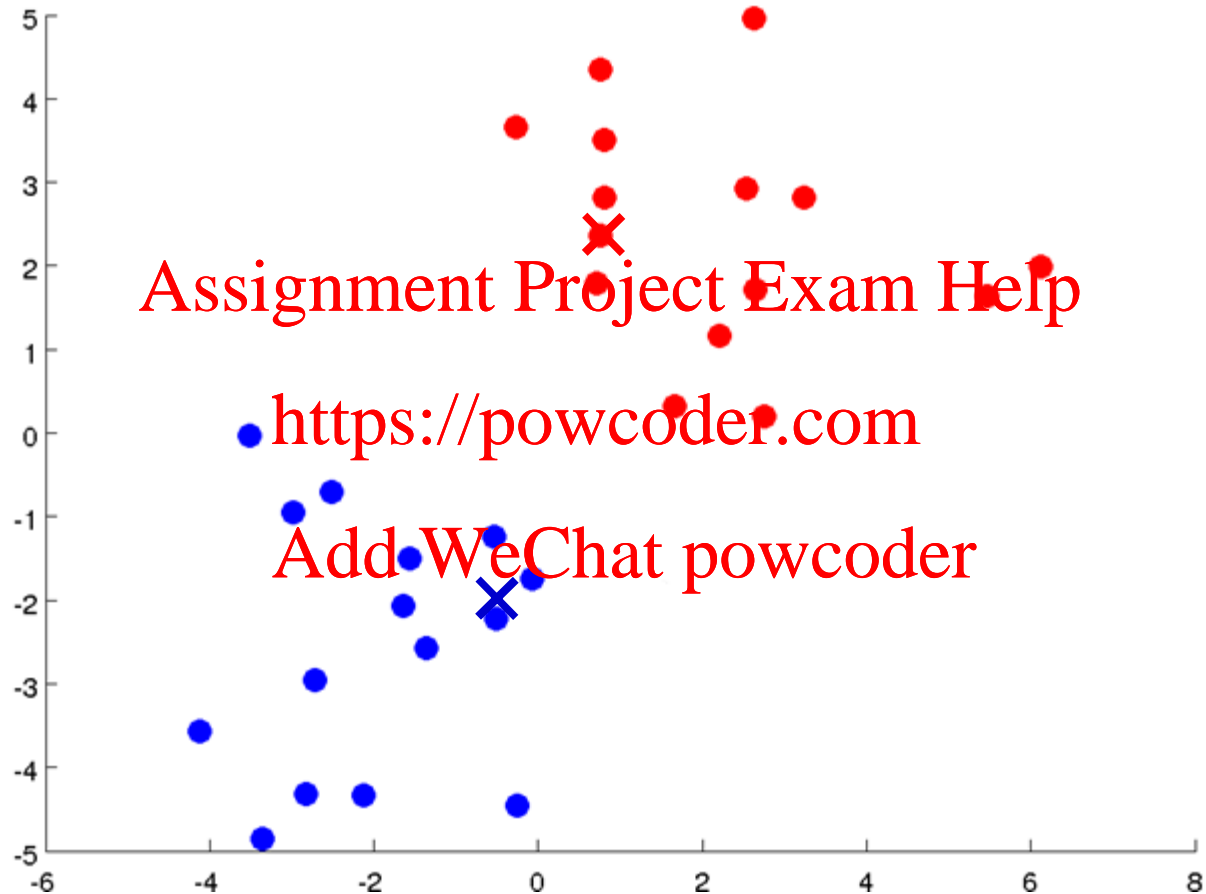


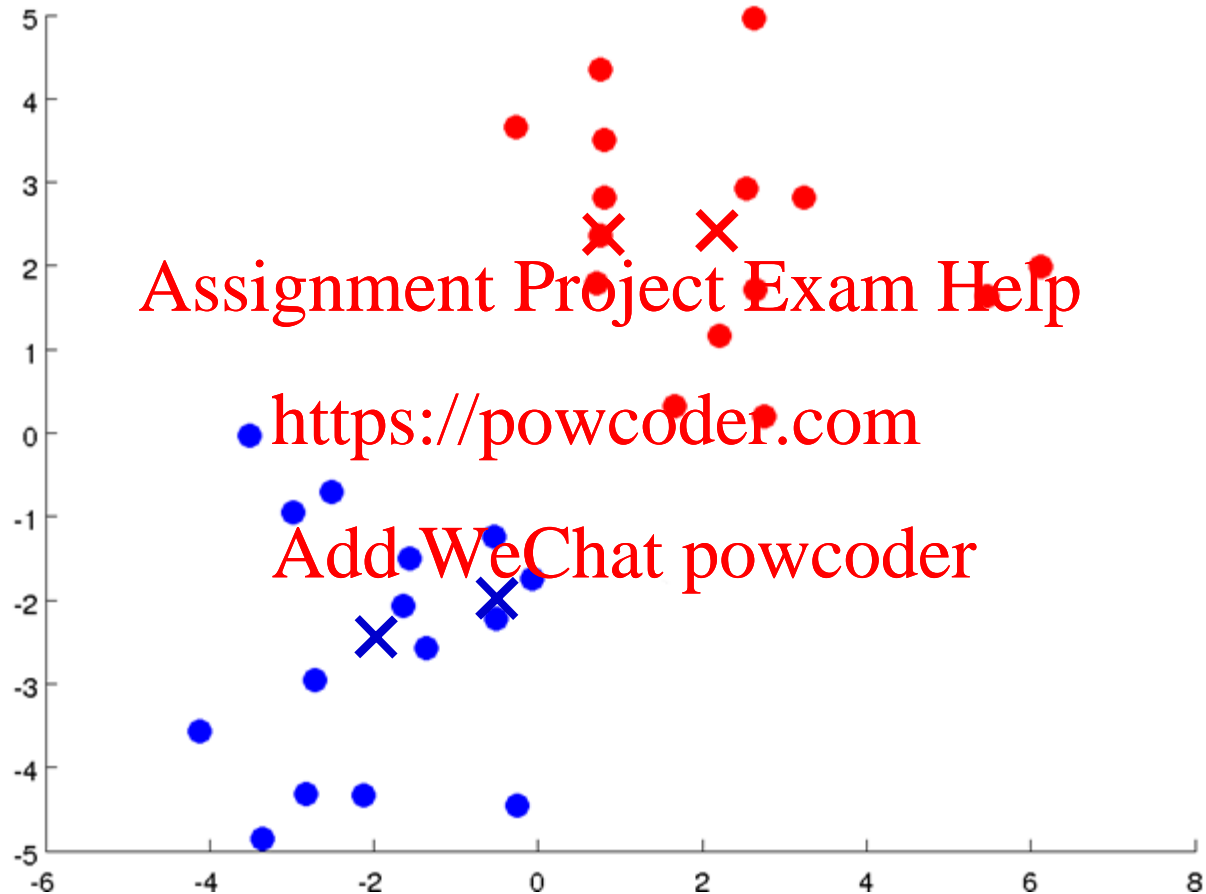


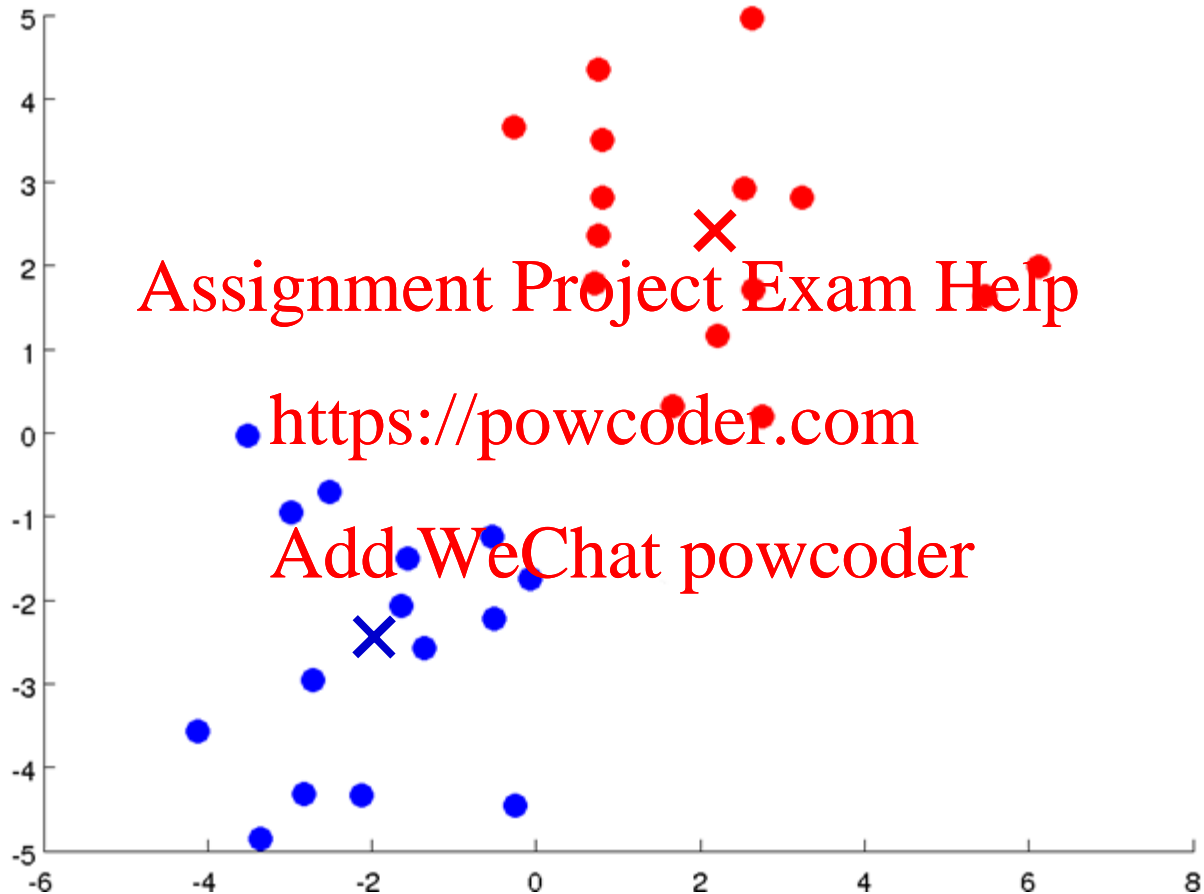




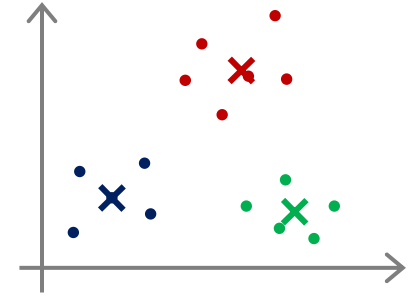








K-means algorithm



Input:

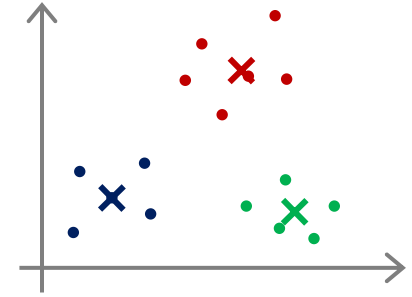
- K (number of clusters)
- Training set $\{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(m)}\}$

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$x^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ (drop $x_0 = 1$ convention)

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K-means algorithm



Randomly initialize K cluster centroids $\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_K \in \mathbb{R}^n$

Repeat {

for $i = 1$ to m

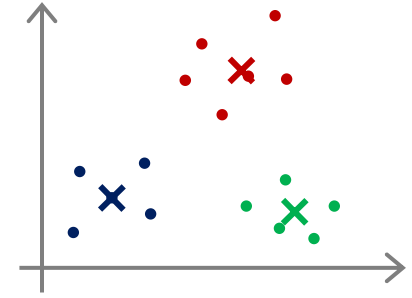
$c^{(i)} :=$ index (from 1 to K) of cluster centroid
closest to $x^{(i)}$

for $k = 1$ to K

$\mu_k :=$ average (mean) of points assigned to cluster k

}

K-means Cost Function



$c^{(i)}$ = index of cluster $(1, 2, \dots, K)$ to which example $x^{(i)}$ is currently assigned

μ_k = cluster centroid k ($\mu_k \in \mathbb{R}^n$)

$\mu_{c^{(i)}}$ = cluster centroid of cluster to which example $x^{(i)}$ has been assigned

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Optimization cost: “distortion”

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$$J(c^{(1)}, \dots, c^{(m)}, \mu_1, \dots, \mu_K) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \|x^{(i)} - \mu_{c^{(i)}}\|^2$$

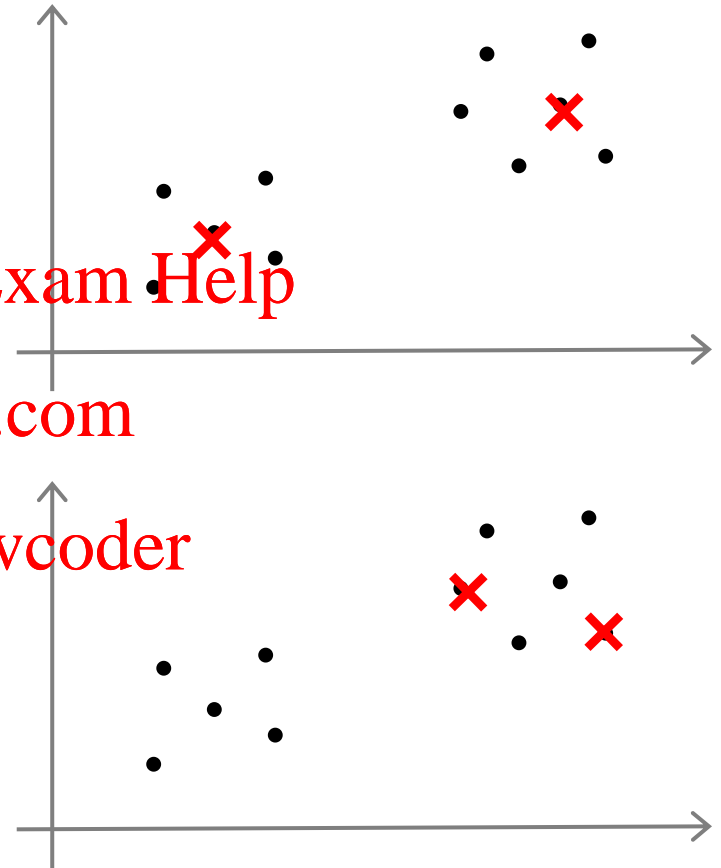
$$\min_{\substack{c^{(1)}, \dots, c^{(m)}, \\ \mu_1, \dots, \mu_K}} J(c^{(1)}, \dots, c^{(m)}, \mu_1, \dots, \mu_K)$$

Random initialization

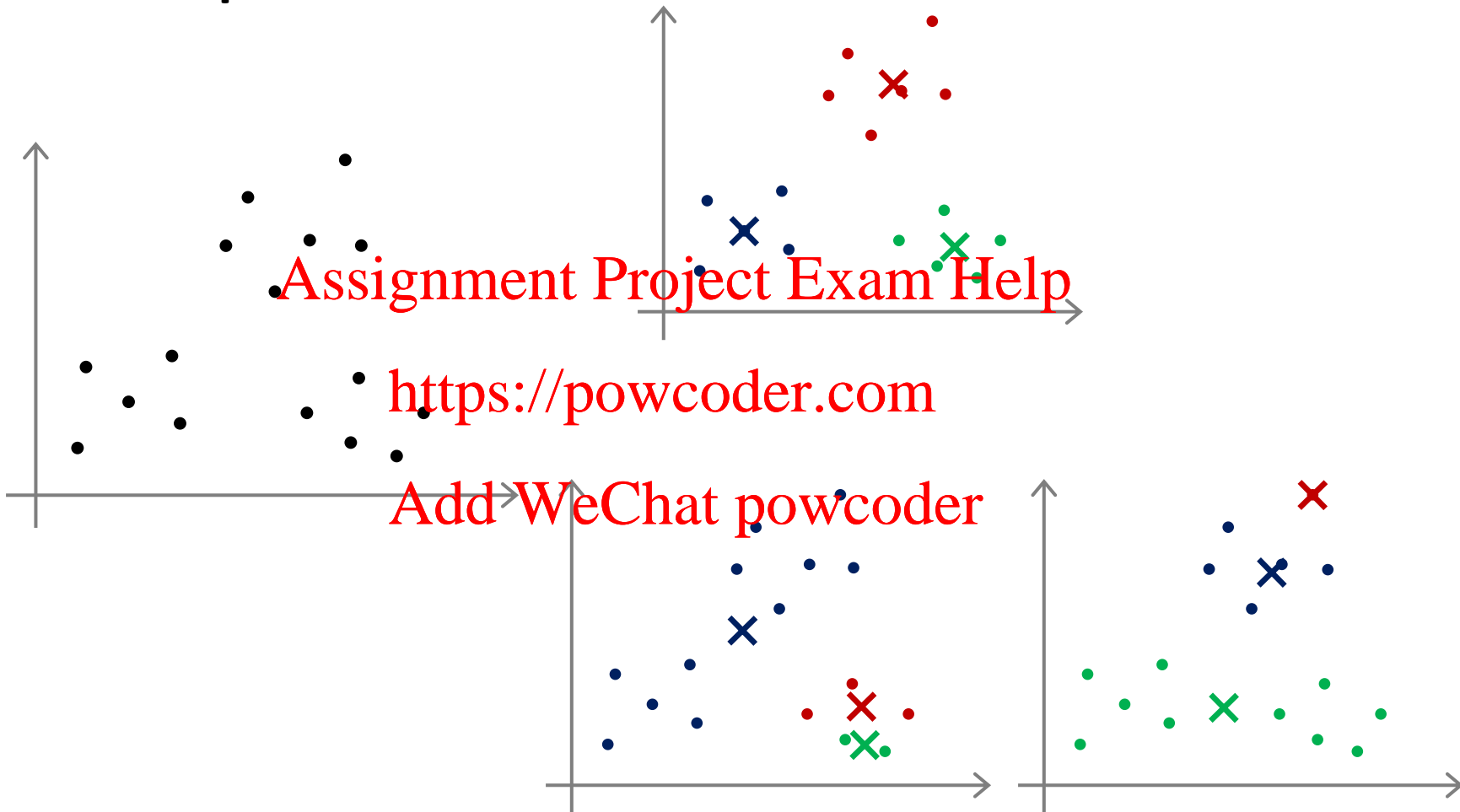
Should have $K < m$

Randomly pick K training
examples.

Set μ_1, \dots, μ_K equal to these
 K examples.



Local Optima



Avoiding Local Optima with Random Initialization

For $i = 1$ to 100 {

Randomly initialize K-means

Run K-means. Get $c^{(1)}, \dots, c^{(m)}, \mu_1, \dots, \mu_K$.

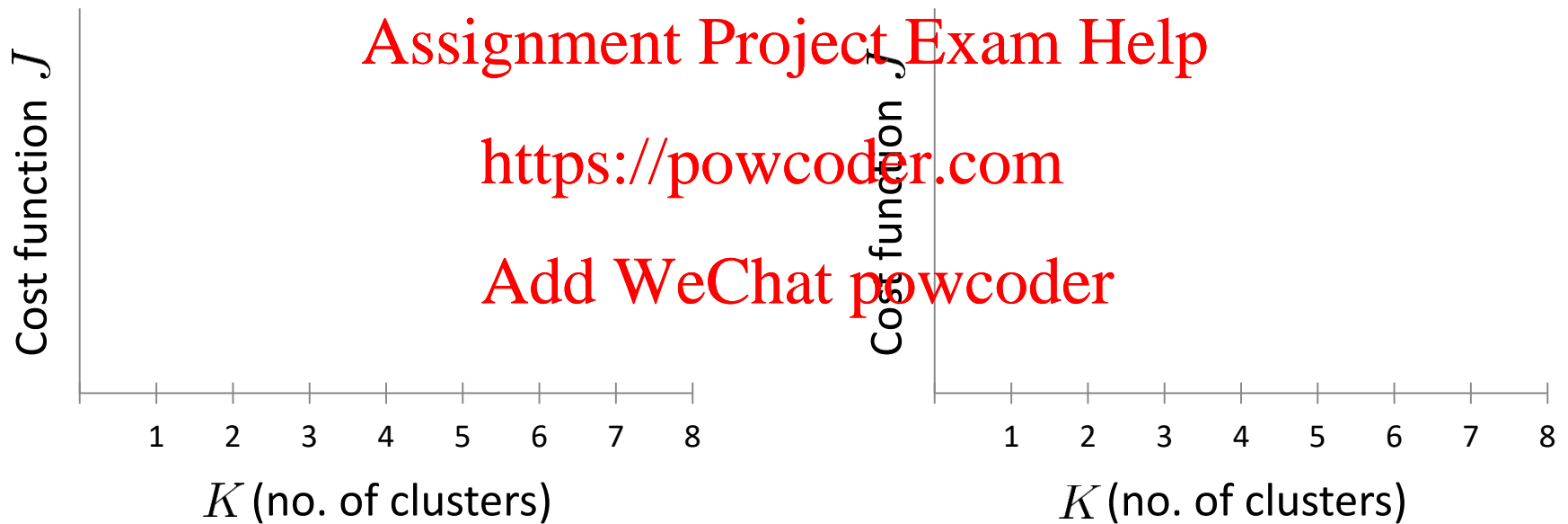
Compute cost function (distortion)

$J(c^{(1)}, \dots, c^{(m)}, \mu_1, \dots, \mu_K)$
}

Pick clustering that gave lowest cost $J(c^{(1)}, \dots, c^{(m)}, \mu_1, \dots, \mu_K)$

How to choose K?

Elbow method:

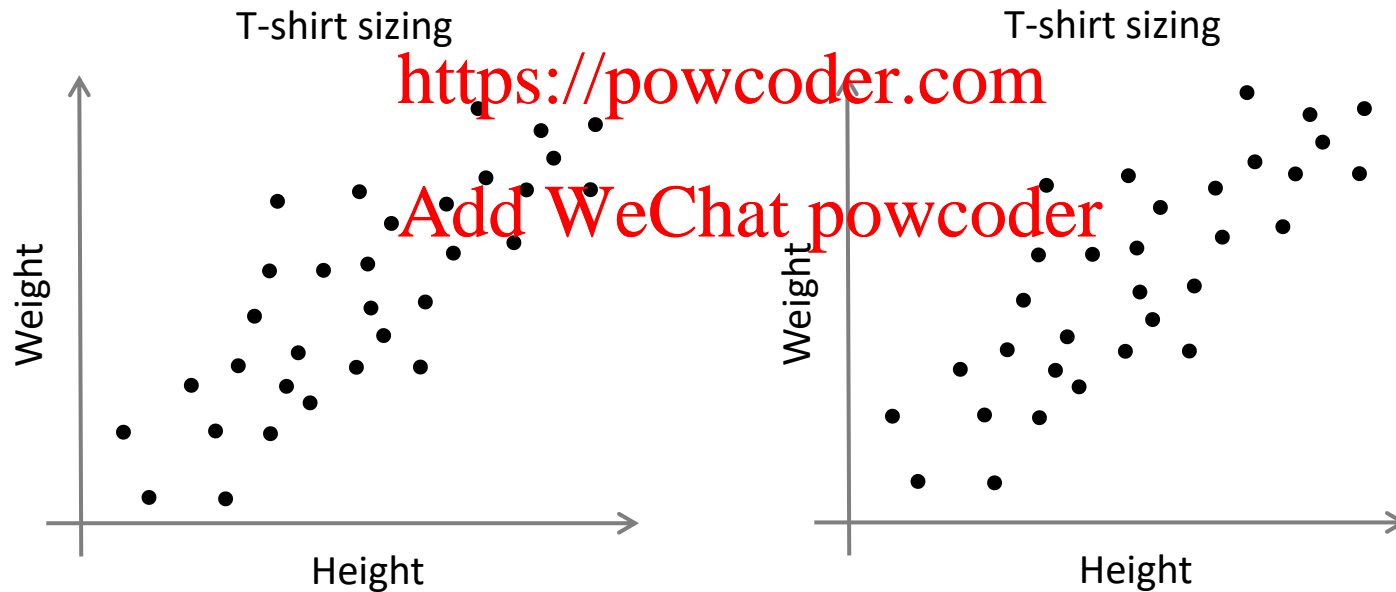


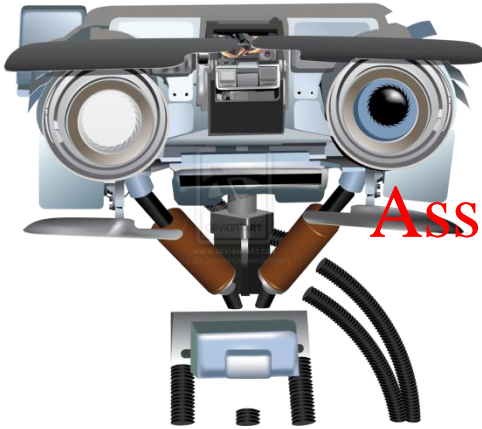
How to choose K?

Sometimes, you're running K-means to get clusters to use for some later/downstream purpose. Evaluate K-means based on a metric for how well it performs for that later purpose.

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E.g.





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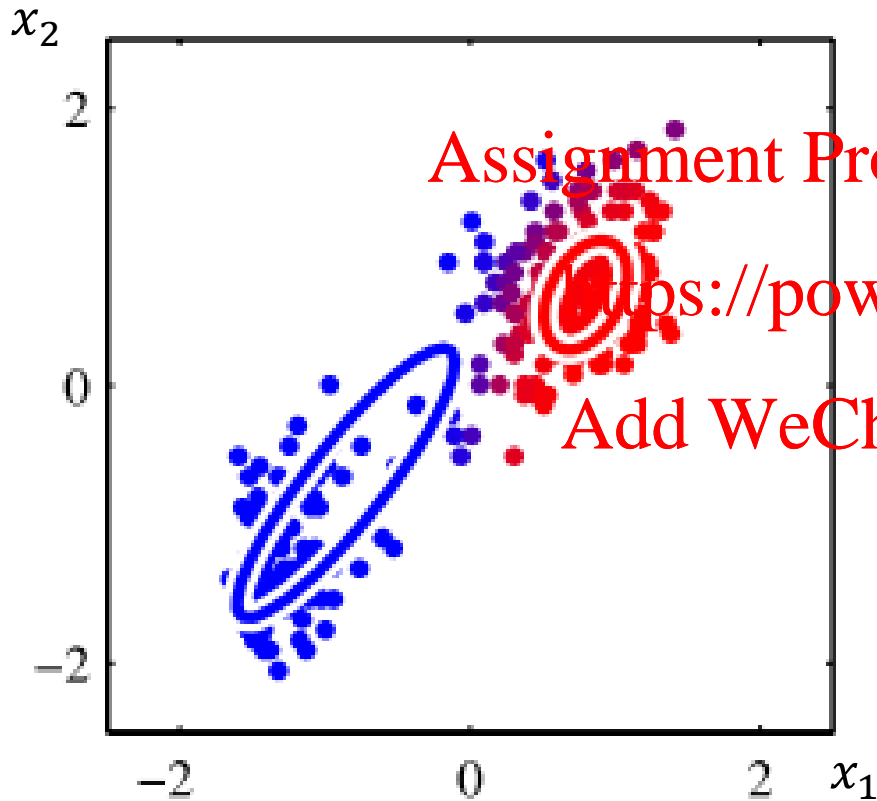
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Mixtures of Gaussians

Mixtures of Gaussians: Intuition



"Soft" cluster membership

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Define a distribution over x :

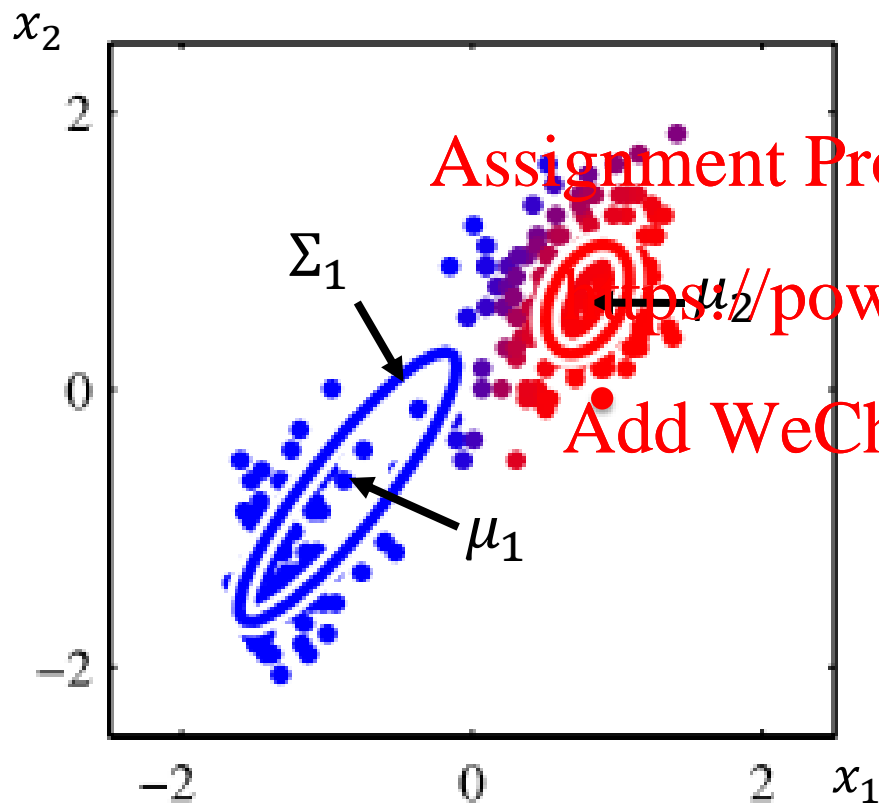
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To generate each point x ,

- Choose its cluster component z
- Sample x from the Gaussian distribution for that component

Mixtures of Gaussians:

component membership variable z

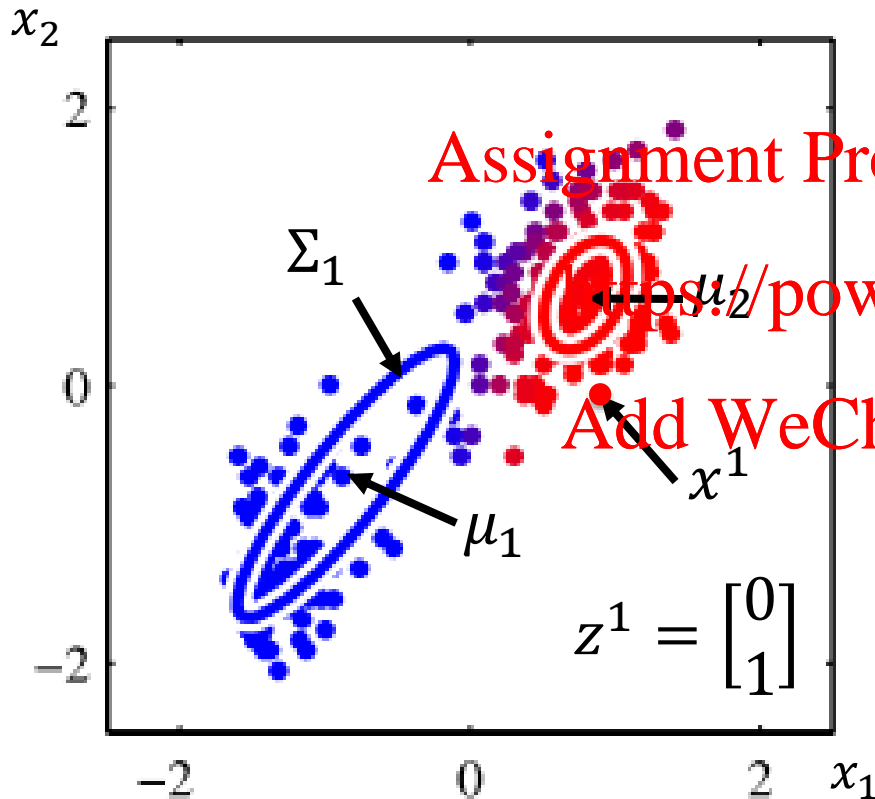


- Assume K components, k -th component is a Gaussian with parameters μ_k, Σ_k
- Introduce discrete r.v. $z \in R^K$ that denotes the component that generates the point
- one element of z is equal to 1 and others are 0, i.e. “one-hot”:

$$z_k \in \{0,1\} \text{ and } \sum_k z_k = 1$$

Mixtures of Gaussians:

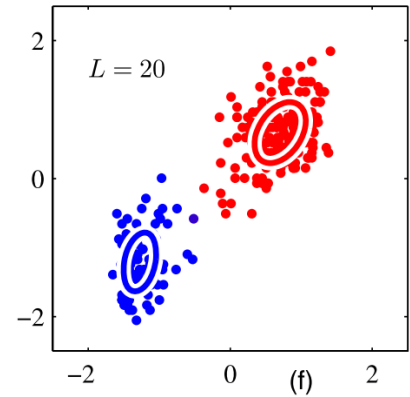
Data generation example



- Suppose $K = 2$ components, k -th component is a Gaussian with parameters μ_k, Σ_k
- To sample i -th data point:
 - Pick component z^i with $p(z_k = 1) = \pi_k$ (parameter)
 - for example, $\pi_k = 0.5$, and we picked $z^1 = [0, 1]^T$
 - Pick data point x^i with probability $N(x; \mu_k, \Sigma_k)$

Mixtures of Gaussians

- $z_k \in \{0,1\}$ and $\sum_k z_k = 1$
- K components, k -th component is a Gaussian with parameters μ_k, Σ_k



- define the joint distribution $p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})$ in terms of a marginal distribution $p(\mathbf{z})$ and a conditional distribution $p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{z})$

$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\mathbf{z}} p(\mathbf{z}) p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{z}) = \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu_k, \Sigma_k)$$

- where

$$p(z_k = 1) = \pi_k \quad 0 \leq \pi_k \leq 1 \quad \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k = 1$$

$$p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{z}) = \prod_{k=1}^K \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu_k, \Sigma_k)^{z_k}$$

Substitute and simplify

Maximum Likelihood Solution for Mixture of Gaussians

- This distribution is known as a **Mixture of Gaussians**

$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x} | \mu_k, \Sigma_k)$$

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- We can estimate parameters using Maximum Likelihood, i.e. maximize

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$$\ln p(\mathbf{X} | \boldsymbol{\pi}, \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) =$$

$$\ln p(x^1, x^2, \dots, x^N | \pi_1, \dots, \pi_K, \mu_1, \dots, \mu_K, \Sigma_1, \dots, \Sigma_K)$$

- This algorithm is called **Expectation Maximization (EM)**
- Very similar to soft version of K-Means!

Expectation Maximization

- We can estimate parameters using Maximum Likelihood, i.e. minimize neg. log likelihood

$$-\ln p(\mathbf{X}|\boldsymbol{\pi}, \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) = -\sum_{n=1}^N \ln \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_n | \boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k) \right\}$$

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- Problem: don't know values of “hidden” (or “latent”) variable z , we don't observe it
- Solution: treat z^i as parameters and use coordinate descent

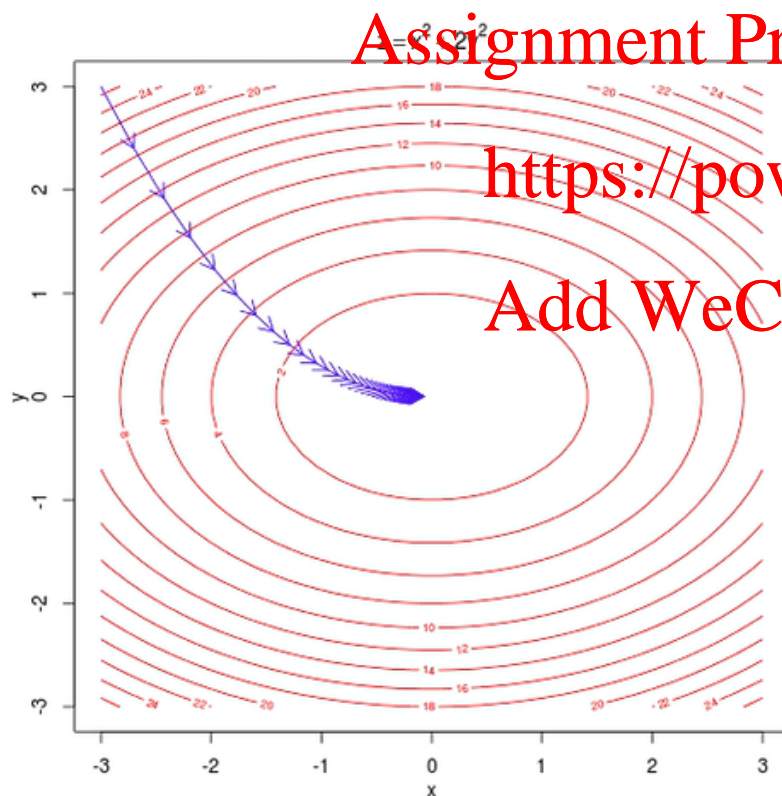
Coordinate Descent

gradient descent:

- Minimize w.r.t all parameters at each step

coordinate descent:

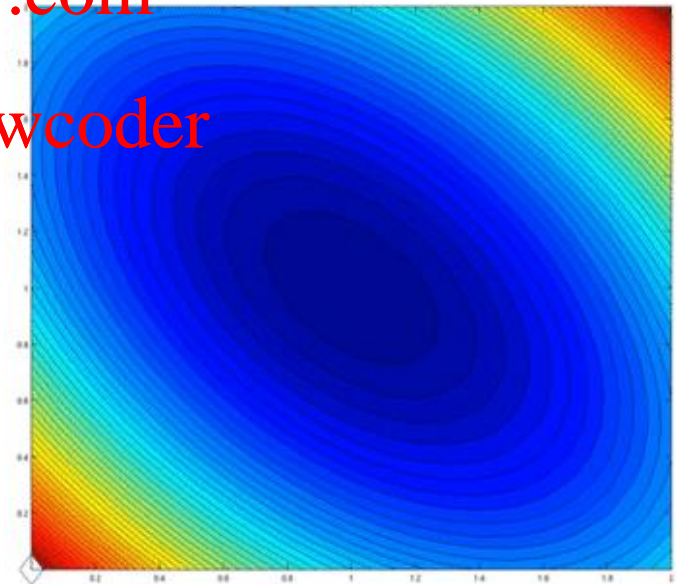
- fix some coordinates, minimize w.r.t. the rest
- alternate



$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0.5 \\ 0.5 & 1 \end{pmatrix} x - \begin{pmatrix} 1.5 & 1.5 \end{pmatrix} x, \quad x_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^T$$

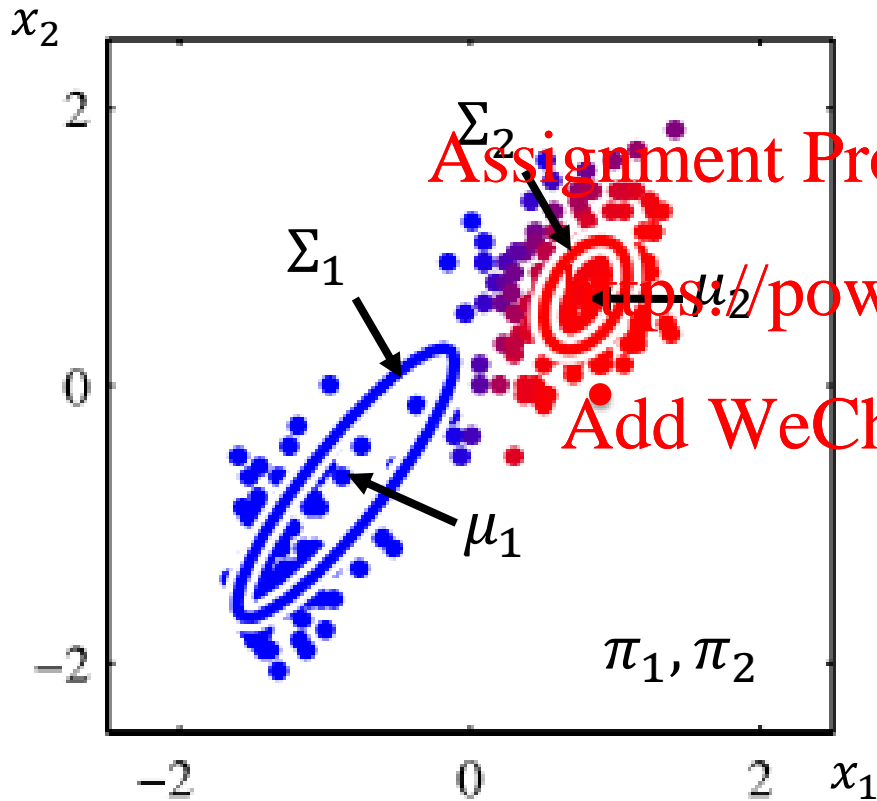
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Expectation Maximization



Coordinate descent for
Mixtures of Gaussians:

Alternate

- fix π, μ, Σ , update z^i
- fix z^l , update π, μ, Σ

Expectation Maximization Algorithm

- A general technique for finding maximum likelihood estimators in **latent variable** models
- Initialize and iterate until convergence:

E-Step: estimate posterior probability of the latent variables $p(z_k|x)$, holding parameters fixed

M-Step: maximize likelihood w.r.t parameters (here μ_k, Σ_k, π_k) using latent probabilities from E-step

EM for Gaussian Mixtures Example

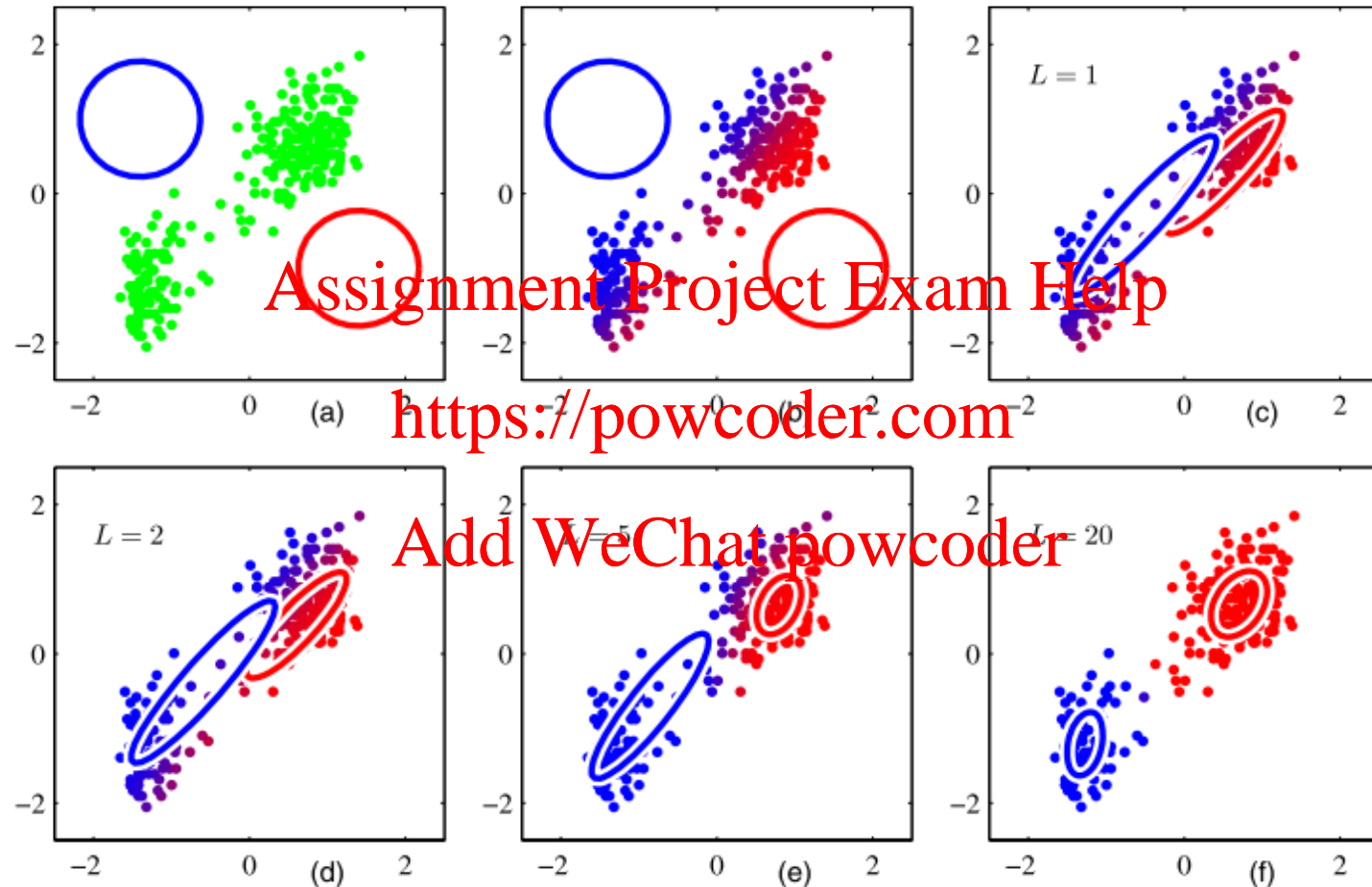



Figure 9.8 Illustration of the EM algorithm using the Old Faithful set as used for the illustration of the K -means algorithm in Figure 9.1. See the text for details.

EM for Gaussian Mixtures

1. Initialize the means μ_k , covariances Σ_k and mixing coefficients π_k , and evaluate the initial value of the log likelihood.
2. **E step.** Evaluate the responsibilities using the current parameter values



$$\gamma(z_k) \equiv p(z_k = 1 | \mathbf{x}_n) = \frac{\pi_k \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_n | \mu_k, \Sigma_k)}{\sum_{j=1}^K \pi_j \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_n | \mu_j, \Sigma_j)} \quad (9.23)$$

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3. **M step.** Re-estimate the parameters using the current responsibilities

$$\mu_k^{\text{new}} = \frac{1}{N_k} \sum_{n=1}^N \gamma(z_{nk}) \mathbf{x}_n \quad N_k = \sum_{n=1}^N \gamma(z_{nk}) \quad (9.24)$$

$$\Sigma_k^{\text{new}} = \frac{1}{N_k} \sum_{n=1}^N \gamma(z_{nk}) (\mathbf{x}_n - \mu_k^{\text{new}}) (\mathbf{x}_n - \mu_k^{\text{new}})^T \quad (9.25)$$

$$\pi_k^{\text{new}} = \frac{N_k}{N} \quad (9.26)$$

see Bishop Ch. 9.2

Gaussian Mixtures

Data: $X = \{x_n\}$

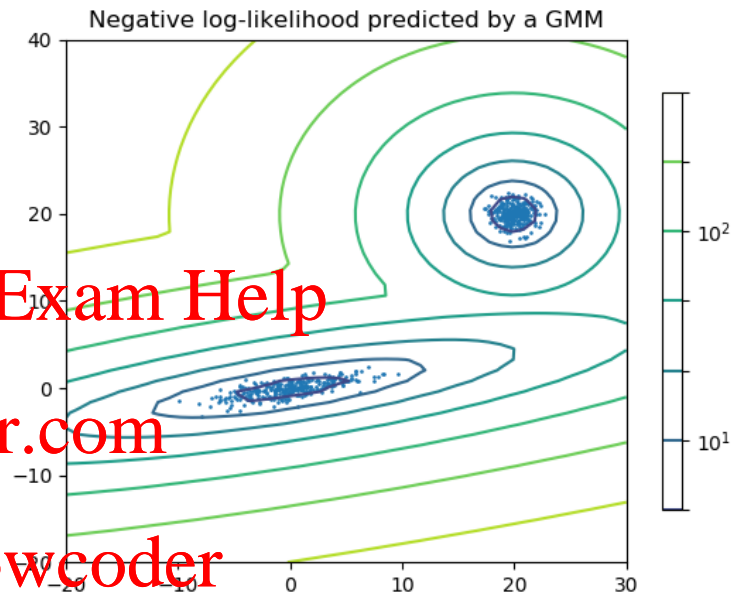
Parameters: π_k, μ_k, Σ_k

$$-\sum_{n=1}^N \ln \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k \mathcal{N}(x_n | \mu_k, \Sigma_k) \right\}$$

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How many possible solutions for K clusters? K^N

Is the cost function convex? no

Summary

- Unsupervised learning
- Discrete latent variables:
 - K-Means clustering
 - Gaussian Mixture clustering
- Next time: Continuous latent variables
 - Principal components analysis

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Next Class

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dimensionality reduction, PCA

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