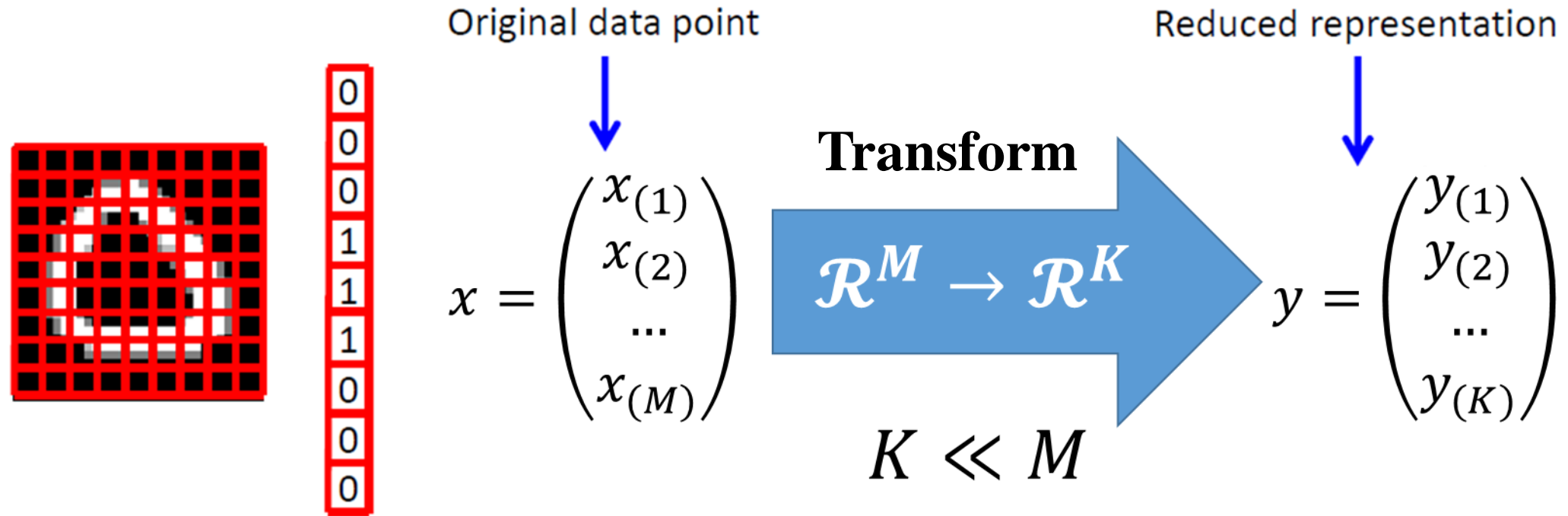


# Dimensionality Reduction

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# What is dimensionality reduction ?



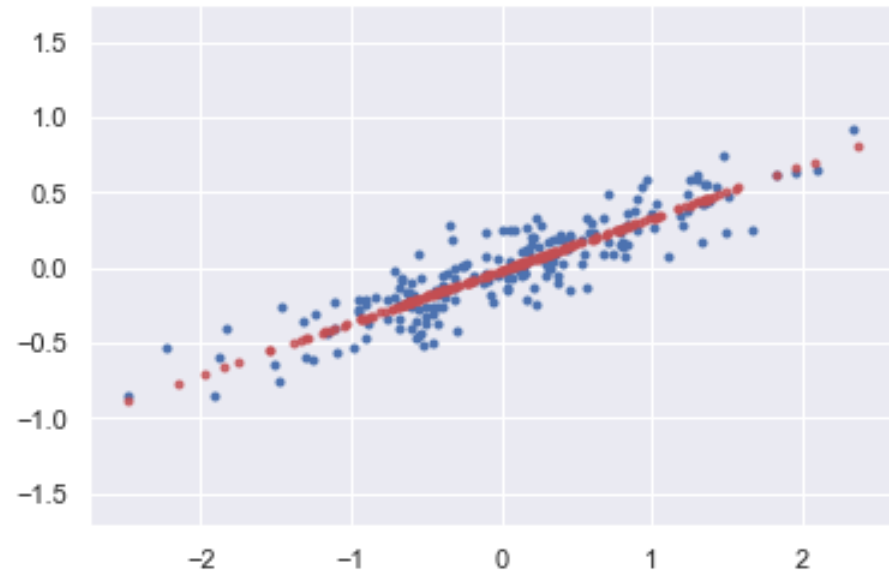
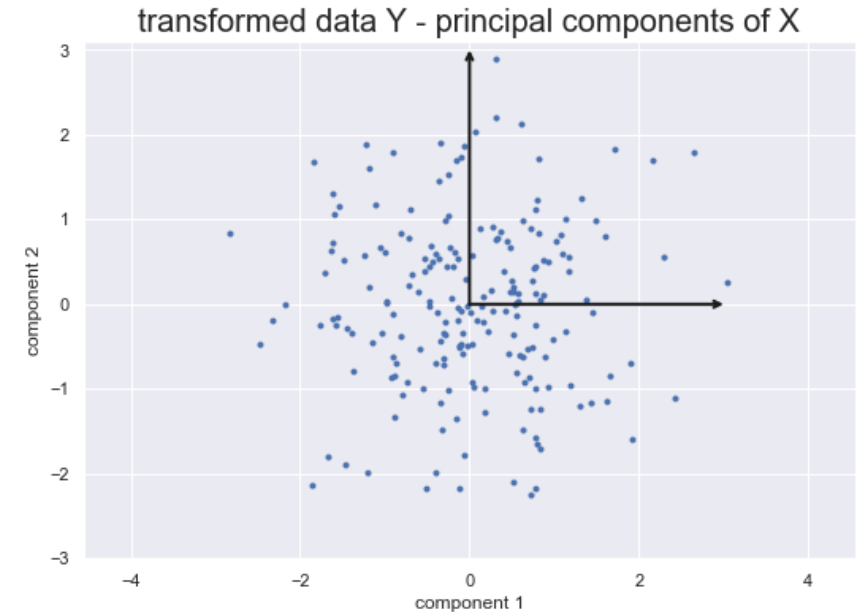
**the original data point  $x$  is transformed to a new data point  $y$  in a lower dimensional space**

# PCA: forward transform and inverse transform



$$\mathbf{y}_n = \mathbf{A} (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu})$$

forward transform (K=2)



$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_n = \mathbf{B} \mathbf{y}_n + \boldsymbol{\mu}$$

inverse transform (K=1)

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_n \approx \mathbf{x}_n$$

# Connect the PCA algorithm to Python Code: PCA.ipynb

Input: 200 data points  $\{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_{200}\}$   
and  $x_n \in \mathcal{R}^2$

Python:

Each row of the 2D array  $X$  is a data point  
Index starts from 0

```
1 print(X)
```

```
[[-6.25301618e-01 -1.70063657e-01]
 [ 9.60695033e-01  5.90900597e-01]
 [-5.98543385e-01 -4.02593393e-01]
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 [-6.73079909e-01 -3.38308547e-01]
 [ 1.30501861e+00  5.91357846e-01]
 [ 3.74545597e-01 -9.85442049e-02]
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 [ 3.77116687e-01  1.88442969e-01]
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 [ 1.03148960e+00  4.25550018e-01]
 [ 3.36041799e-01  3.90982721e-02]
 [ 7.05745985e-01  4.88730649e-01]
 [ 8.39511547e-01  1.52125872e-01]
```

# Connect the PCA algorithm to Python Code

Step-1: Estimate the mean  $\mu$  and covariance matrix  $C$  from the data

$$\mu = \frac{1}{200} \sum_{n=1}^{200} x_n, \quad C = \frac{1}{200} \sum_{n=1}^{200} (x_n - \mu) (x_n - \mu)^T$$

Step-2: Compute the eigenvectors  $w_1, w_2 \dots$  of  $C$ , corresponding to the eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots$  and  $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \dots$

```
1 from sklearn.decomposition import PCA
2 pca = PCA(n_components=2, whiten=False)
3 pca.fit(X)
```

when whiten is False, output of the forward transform is  $\beta$   
when whiten is True, output of the forward transform is  $y$

# Multidimensional Scaling (MDS)

- **Input:**  $N$  data points  $\{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_N\}$  and  $x_n \in \mathcal{R}^M$
- **Output:**  $N$  data points  $\{y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_N\}$  and  $y_n \in \mathcal{R}^K, K \leq M$
- $x_n$  is transformed to  $y_n$  in a lower dimensional space, for  $n=1$  to  $N$

- **Objective:** find the output to minimize the so-called stress function

$$S(y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_N) = \sum_{i \neq j} (d(x_i, x_j) - d(y_i, y_j))^2$$

$d(x_i, x_j)$  is a distance measure, e.g., Euclidean distance

which means if  $x_i$  is close to  $x_j$ , then  $y_i$  is close to  $y_j$

$x_i$  and  $y_i$  refer to the same object- $i$ ;  $x_j$  and  $y_j$  refer to the same object- $j$

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- **Input:** pairwise distance matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & d(x_1, x_2) & \dots & d(x_1, x_N) \\ d(x_2, x_1) & 0 & \dots & d(x_2, x_N) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ d(x_N, x_1) & d(x_N, x_2) & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

the matrix can be visualized as an image

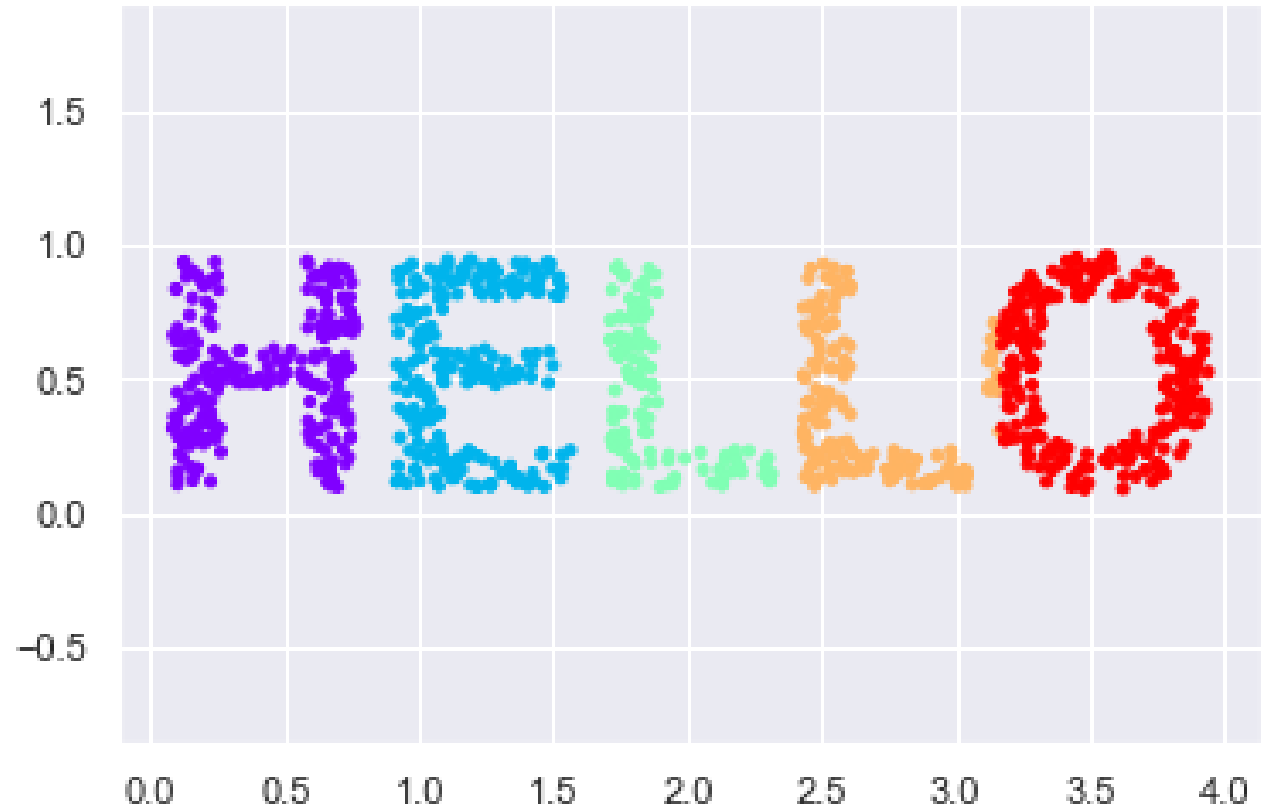
MDS only needs this matrix as input

# The test example "HELLO"

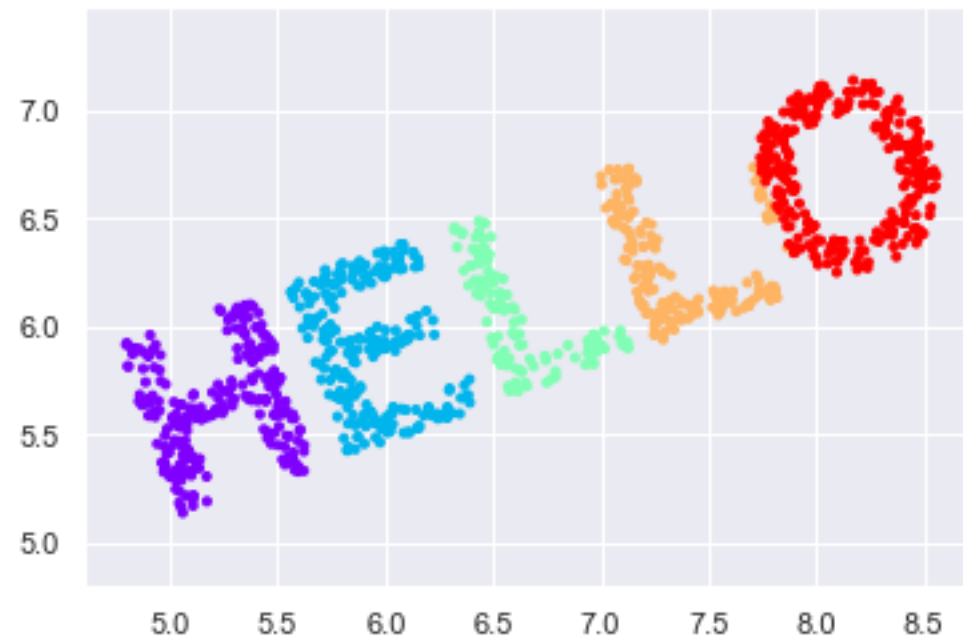
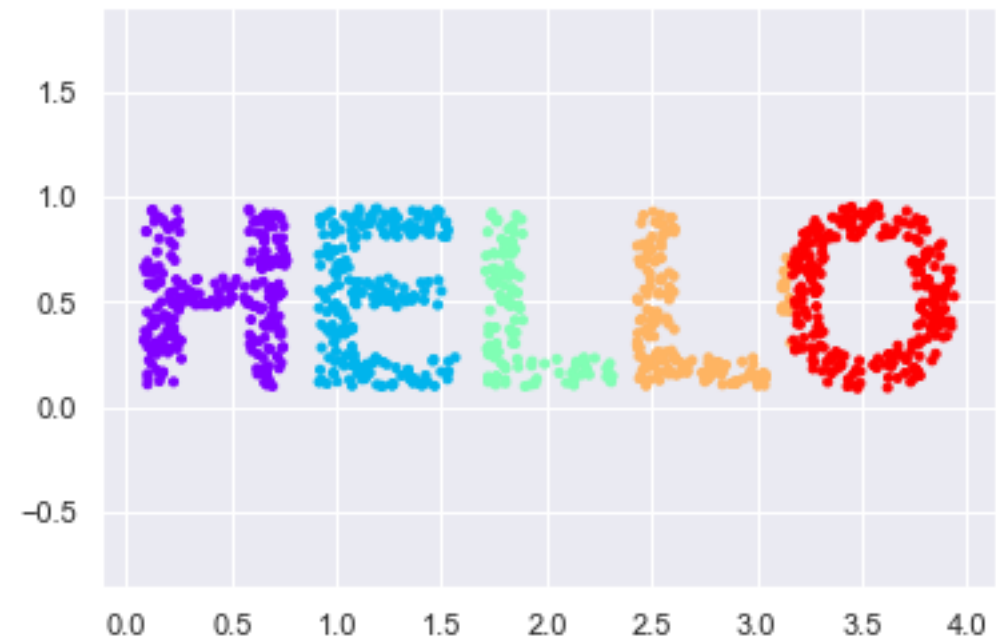
```
1 def make_hello(N=1000, rseed=42):  
2     # Make a plot with "HELLO" text; save as PNG
```

```
1 X = make_hello(1000)  
2 colorize = dict(c=X[:, 0], cm=cm)  
3 plt.scatter(X[:, 0], X[:, 1],
```

Each row of the 2D array  $\mathbf{X}$  is a data point.

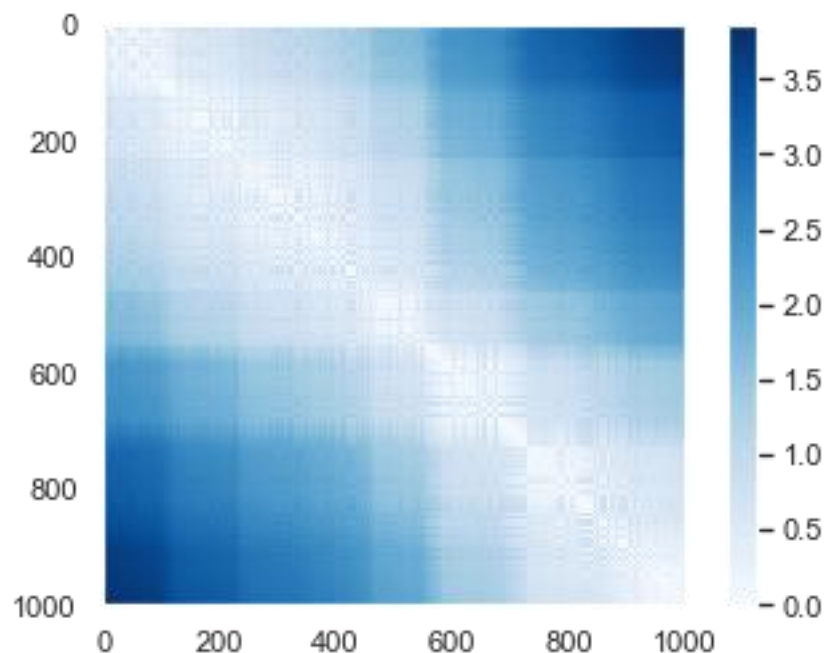




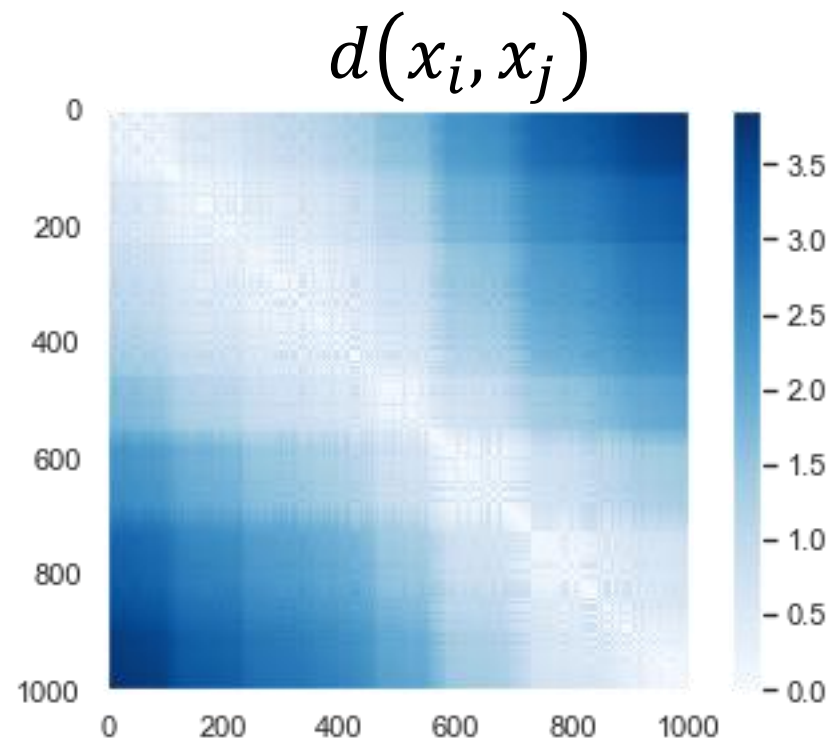
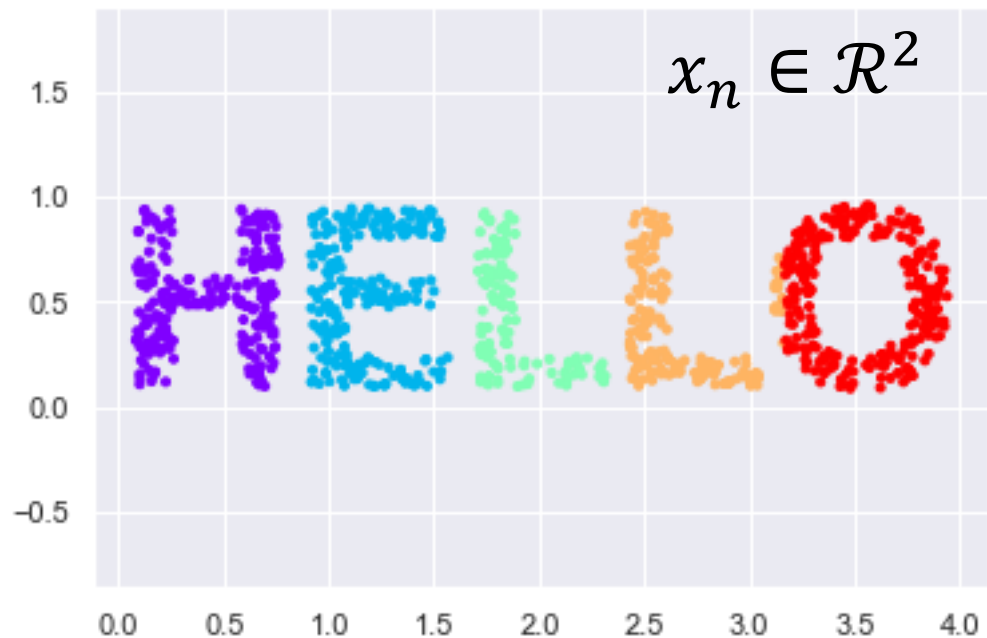


pairwise distance matrix

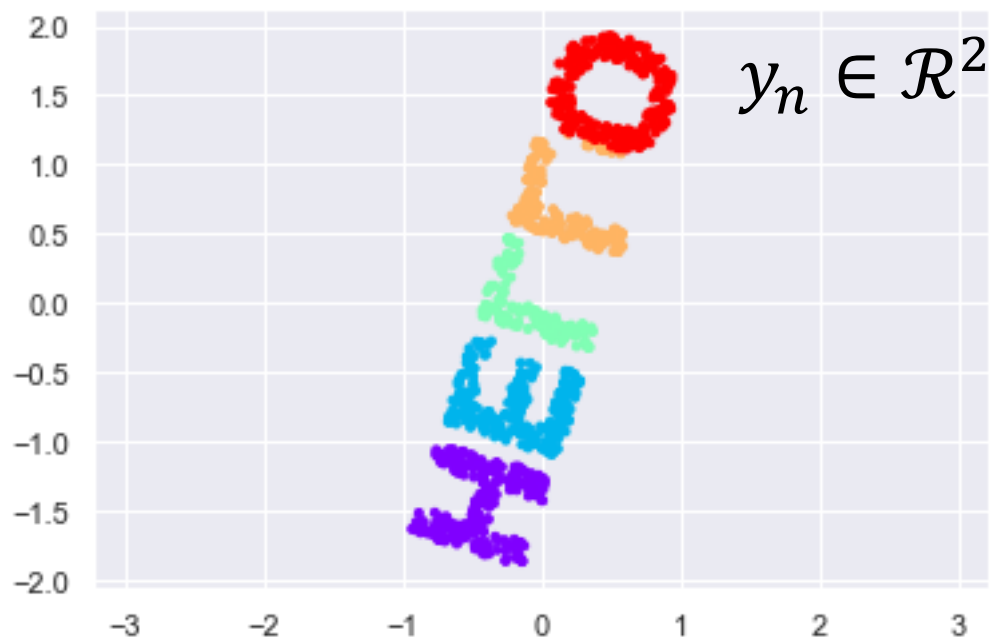
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & d(x_1, x_2) & \dots & d(x_1, x_N) \\ d(x_2, x_1) & 0 & \dots & d(x_2, x_N) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ d(x_N, x_1) & d(x_N, x_2) & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



The pairwise distance matrix does not change after rotation / translation

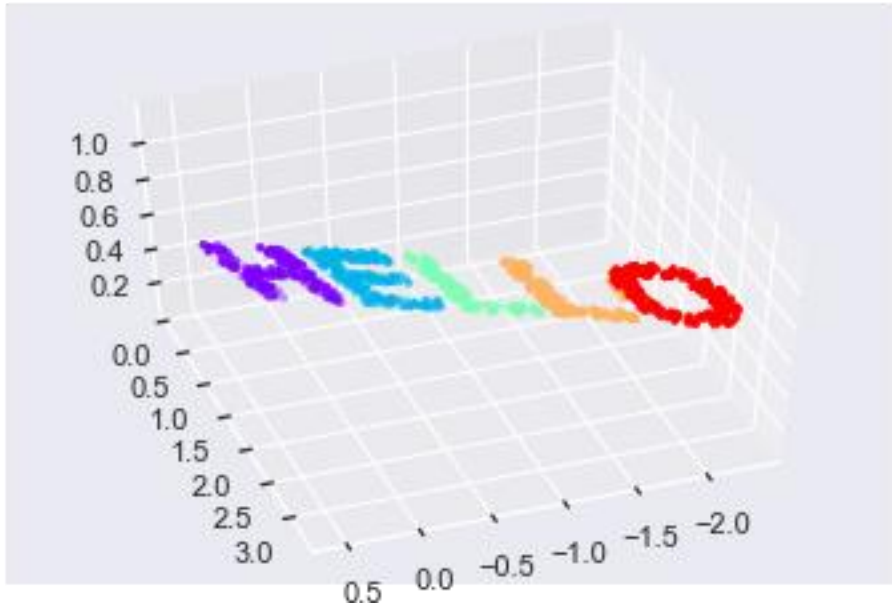


MDS



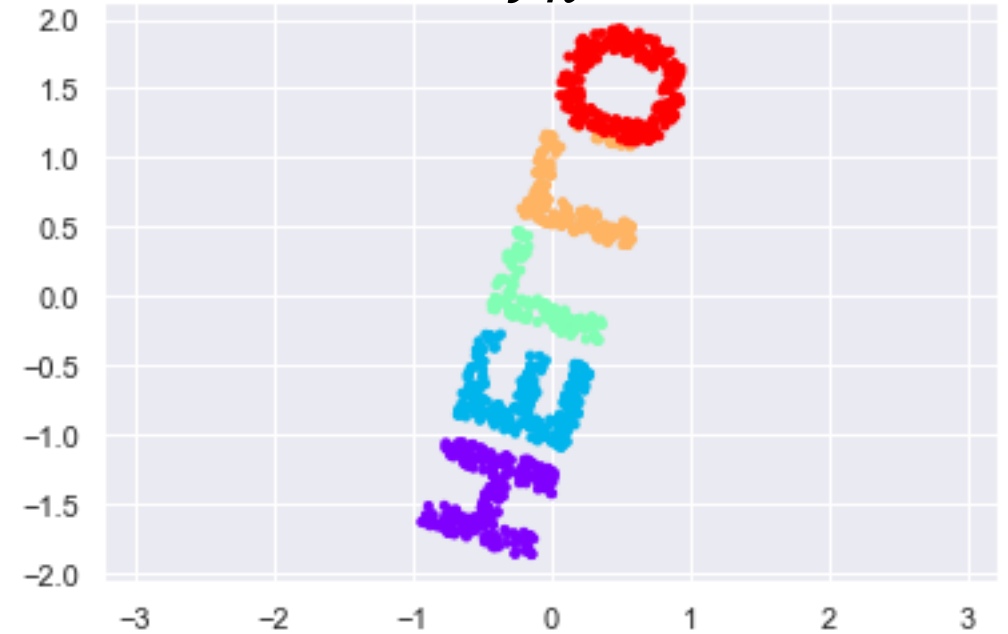
$$S(y_1, \dots, y_N) = \sum_{i \neq j} (d(x_i, x_j) - d(y_i, y_j))^2$$

$$x_n \in \mathcal{R}^3$$



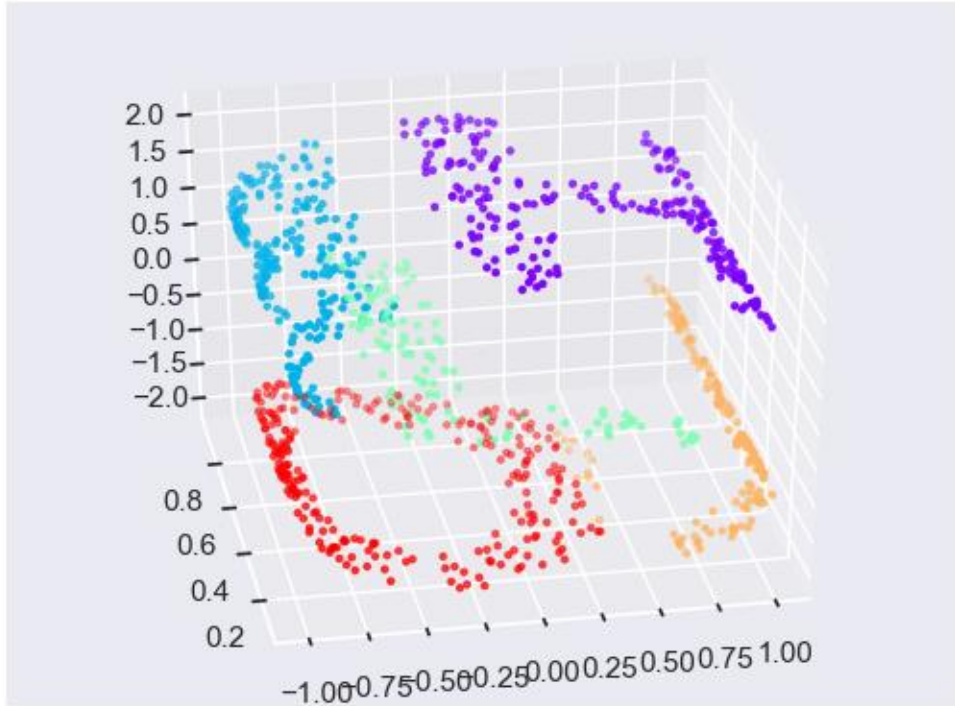
MDS

$$y_n \in \mathcal{R}^2$$



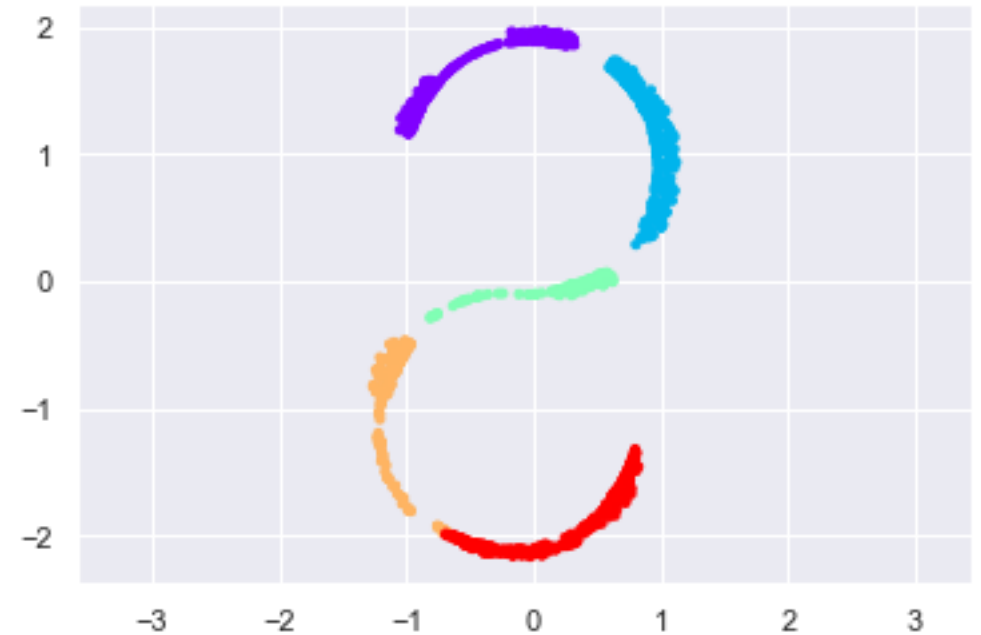
Although the data points are in 3D space, they actually live in a 2D plane.

$$x_n \in \mathcal{R}^3$$



MDS

$$y_n \in \mathcal{R}^2$$



"Hello" in a S-surface in 3D

"Hello" becomes "S" in 2D

MDS can not handle nonlinear spatial distribution

A good algorithm should be able to unwrap the S-surface

# Locally linear embedding (LLE)

- For each input data point  $x_i$ , we find its  $K$  nearest neighbors,  $\mathcal{N}(i)$ , using Euclidean distance.
- Approximate each point  $x_i$  by a linear combination of its neighbors

$$\min_{w_{i,j}} \|x_i - \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)} w_{i,j} x_j\| \text{ where } \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)} w_{i,j} = 1$$

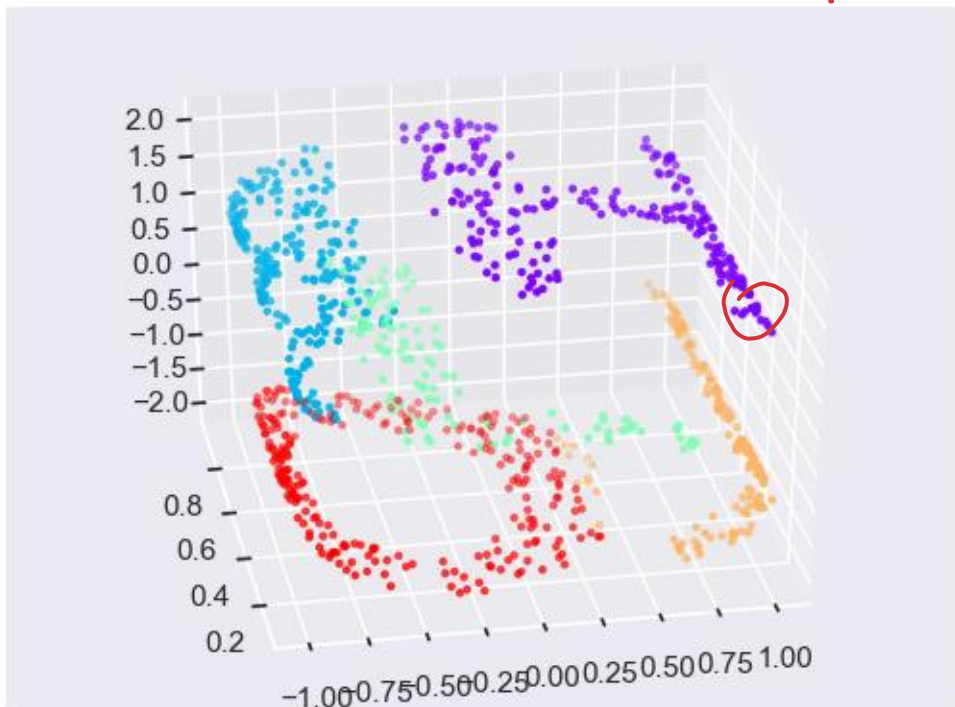
- Find output data point  $y_i$  such that it can also be approximated by its neighbors using the same set of weights  $\{w_{i,j}\}$

$$\min_y \|y_i - \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)} w_{i,j} y_j\|$$

- LLE: local neighborhood structure is preserved after the transform  $\mathcal{R}^M \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^K$

$$x_n \in \mathcal{R}^3$$

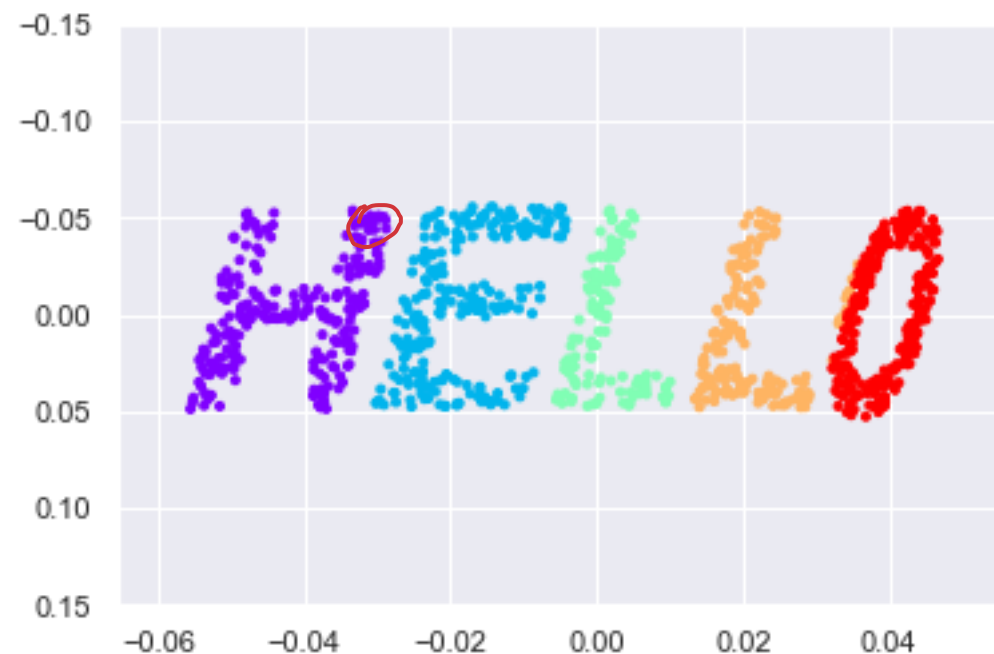
3D



LLE

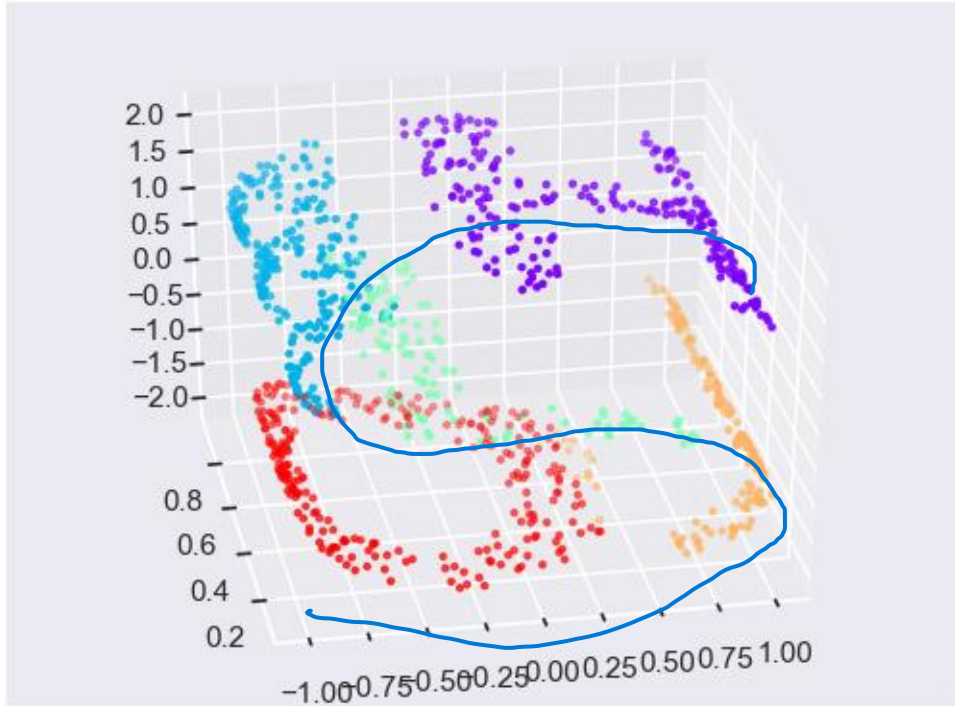
2D

$$y_n \in \mathcal{R}^2$$



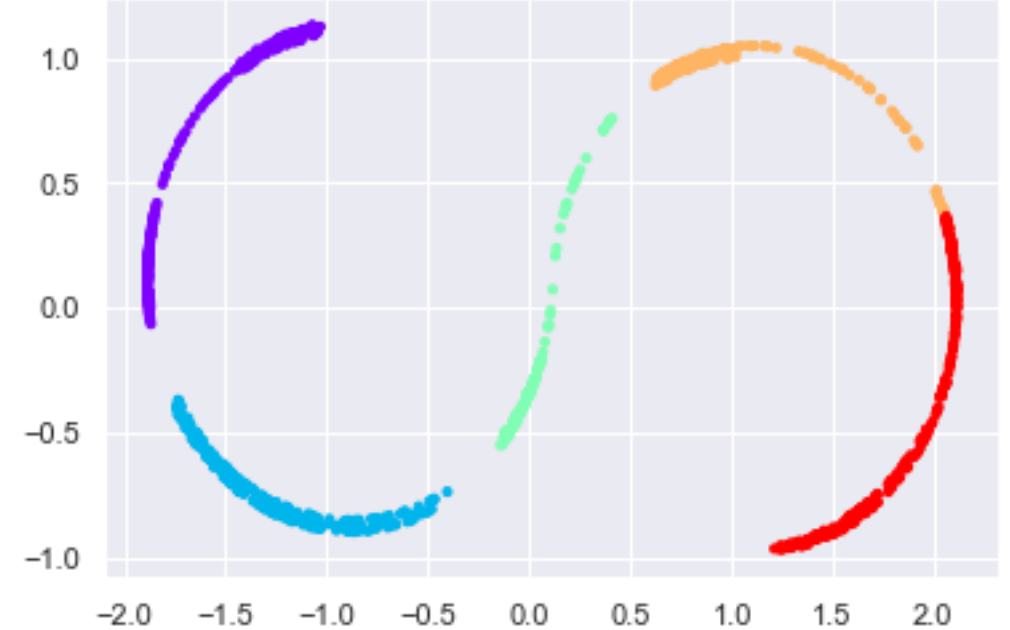
LLE is able to unwrap the S-surface

$$x_n \in \mathcal{R}^3$$



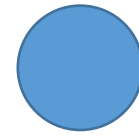
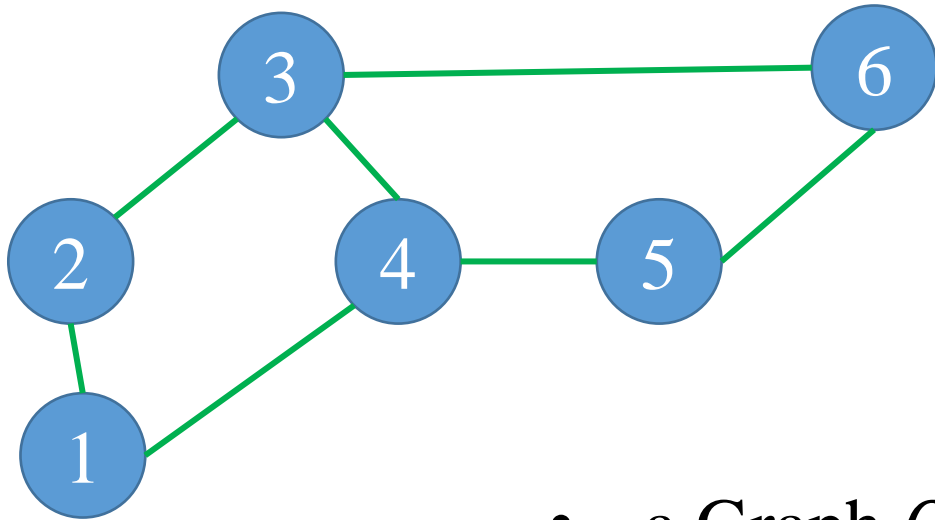
PCA

$$y_n \in \mathcal{R}^2$$



PCA can not unwrap the S-surface because it is a linear transform  
But, it can show the major variations of the data in 2D

# Graph



a node



a link/edge between two nodes

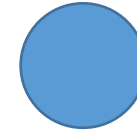
- a Graph  $G = \{V, E\}$
- $V$  denotes the set of nodes
- $E$  denotes the set of links/edges



# Construct an $\epsilon$ -Neighbor Graph from a set of data points

$\downarrow$  epsilon

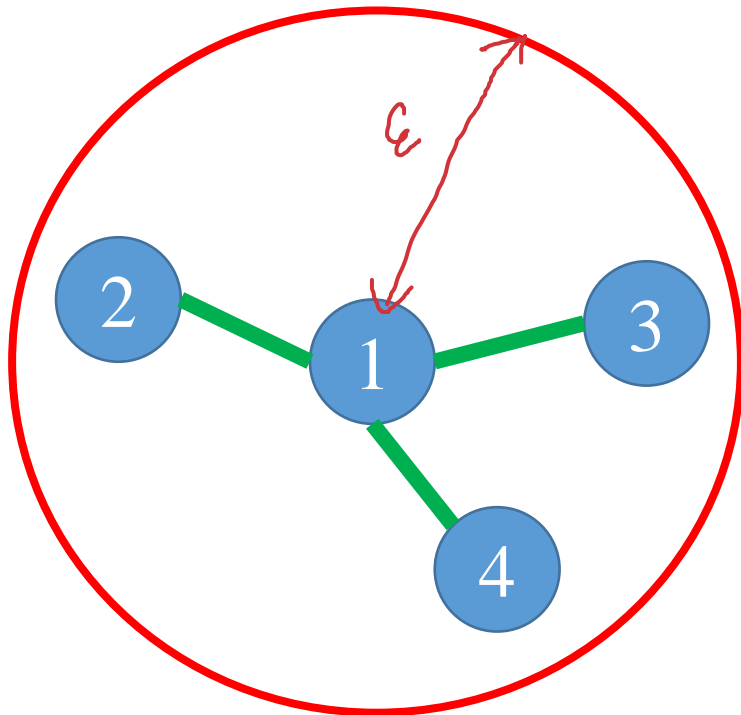
Add a link between two data points/nodes if the distance  $d(x_i, x_j) \leq \epsilon$  (define the circle)



a node represents a data point



a link/edge between two nodes

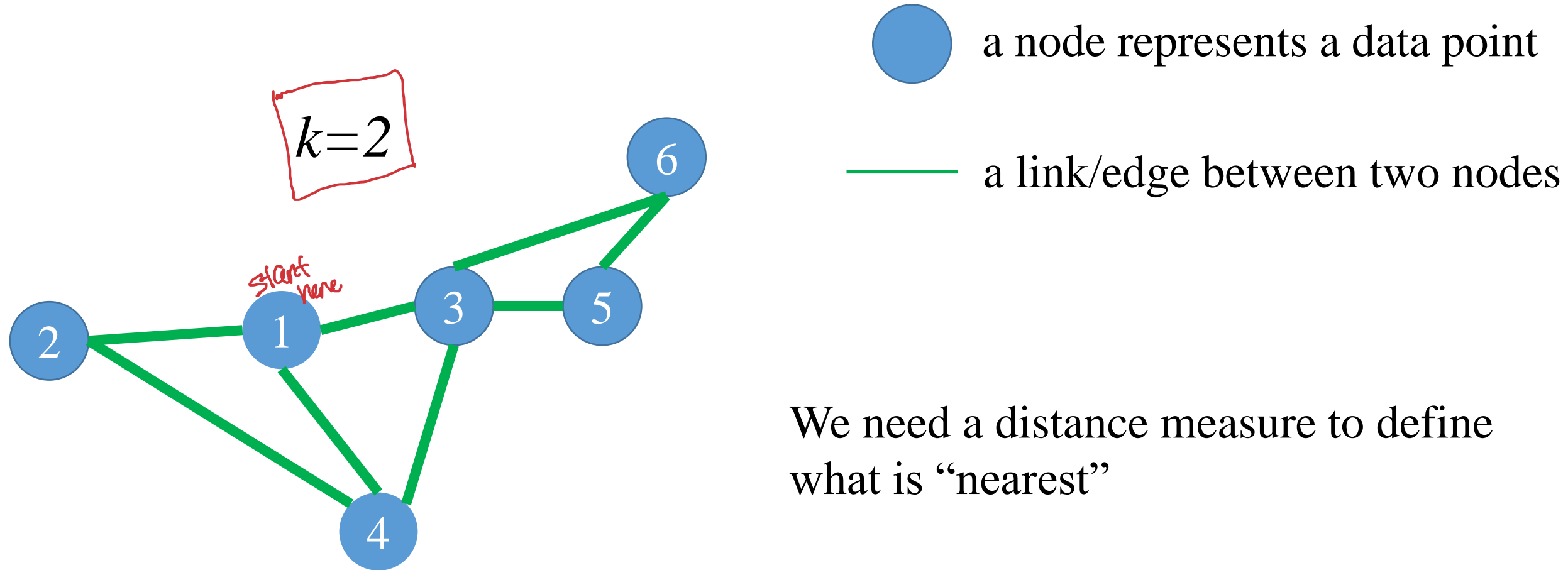


\* 3 neighbors

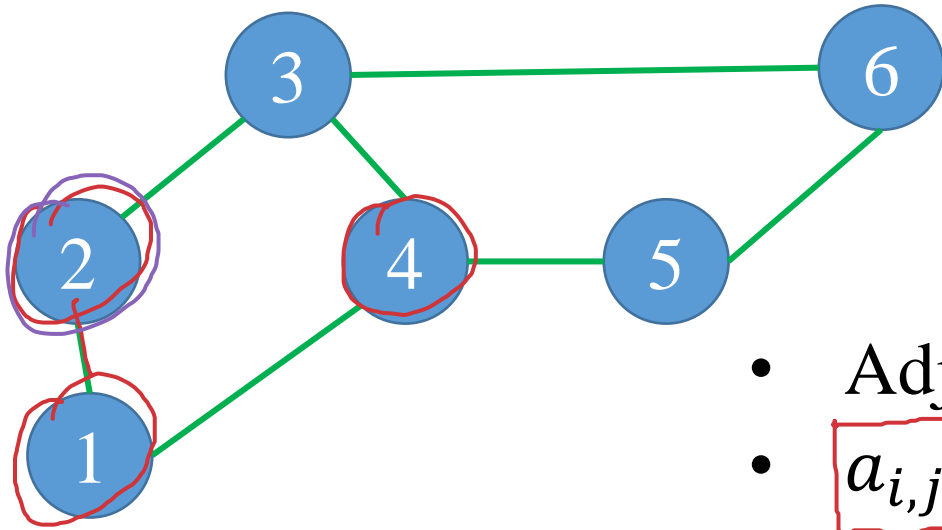
Perform the linking operation for every data point that is the center of a circle

# Construct a ***k*-Nearest Neighbor Graph** from a set of data points

- Add a link between  $x_i$  and  $x_j$  if  $x_i$  is one of the  $k$ -nearest neighbors of  $x_j$
- Perform the linking operation until there are no more links to be added



# Graph - adjacency matrix



● a node represents a data point  
— a link/edge between two nodes

- Adjacency Matrix  $A = [a_{i,j}]$
- $a_{i,j} = 1$  if node-i and node-j are connected by an edge
- $a_{i,j} = 0$  if there is no edge between node-i and node-j

node

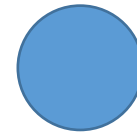
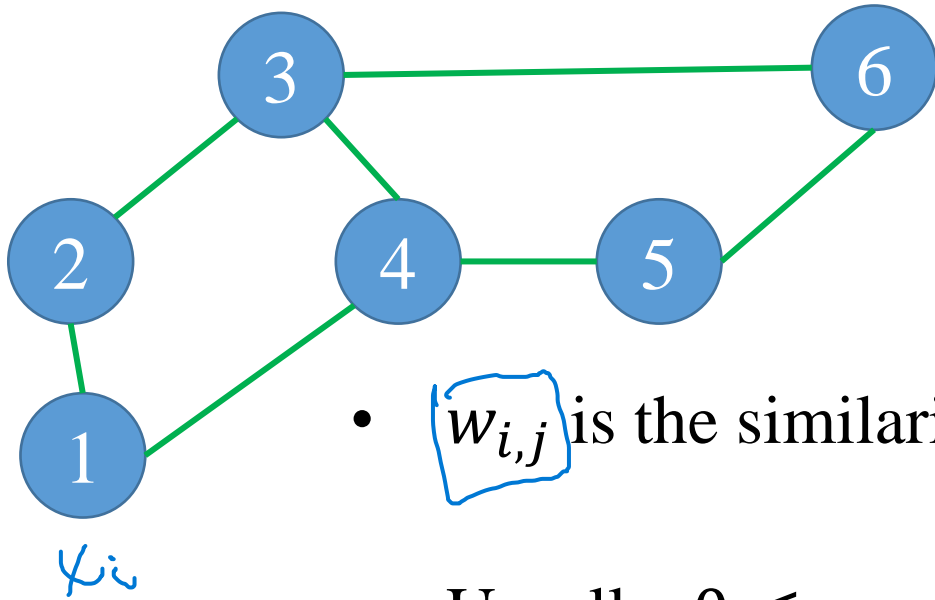
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2	1	0	1	0	0	0
3	0	1	0	1	0	1
4	1	0	1	0	1	0
5	0	0	0	1	0	1
6	0	0	1	0	1	0

$A =$

as in CSC 317

Sometimes, Adjacency Matrix is also called Affinity Matrix

# Graph - similarity matrix



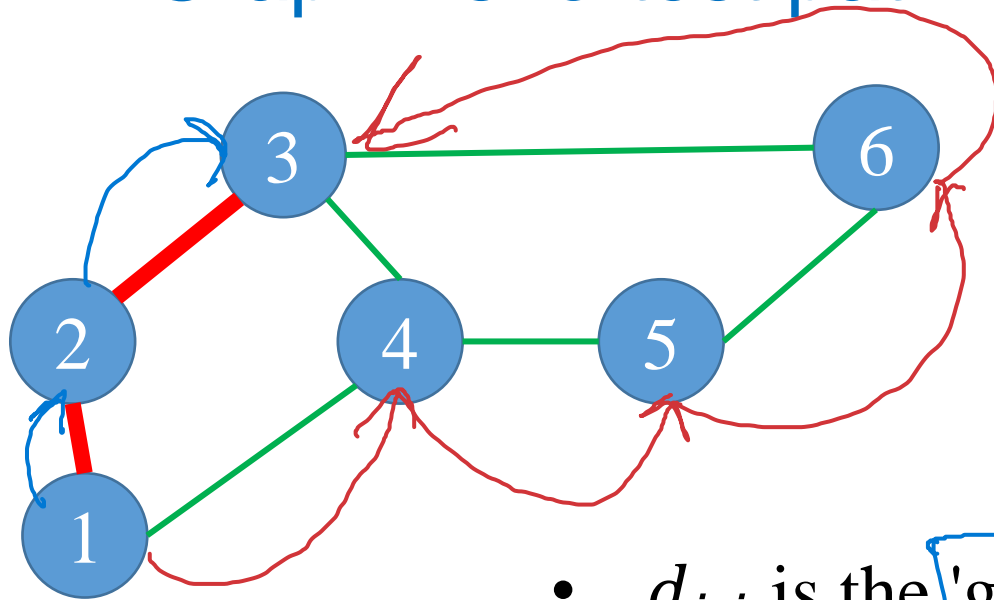
a node represents a data point



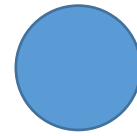
a link/edge between two nodes

- $w_{i,j}$  is the similarity between node-i and node-j,  $w_{i,j} = w_{j,i}$
- Usually,  $0 \leq w_{i,j} \leq 1$ , set  $w_{i,i} = 0$ .  $w_{i,j} = e^{-\gamma(d(x_i, x_j))^2}$   
*some number!*  
 $d(x_i, x_j)$  is the distance between node-i and node-j, scalar  $\gamma > 0$
- $w_{i,j} = 0$  if the edge(i, j) does not exist  
e.g. there is not link between node-6 and node-4
- The matrix  $W = [w_{i,j}]$  is called similarity/affinity matrix *sketchy*

# Graph - shortest path



— too far  
— good!



a node represents a data point



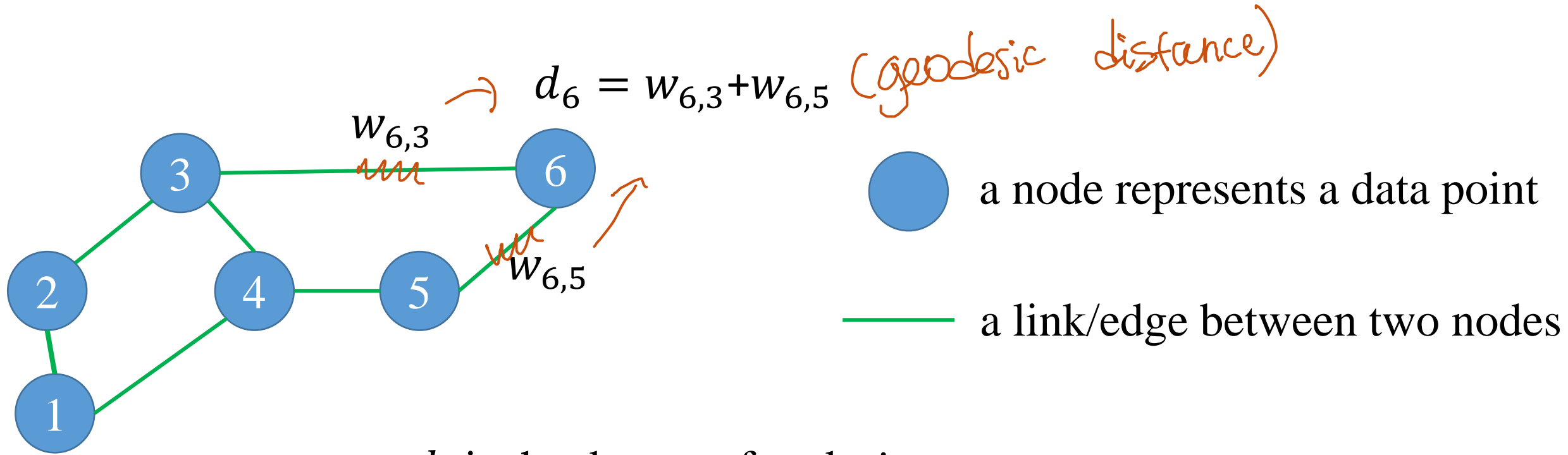
a link/edge between two nodes

- $d_{i,j}$  is the 'geodesic distance' between node-i and node-j, which is the length of the shortest path

the red line shows the shortest path from node-1 to node-3

$$d_{1,3} = d_{1,2} + d_{2,3}$$

# Graph - degree matrix



- $d_i$  is the degree of node- $i$

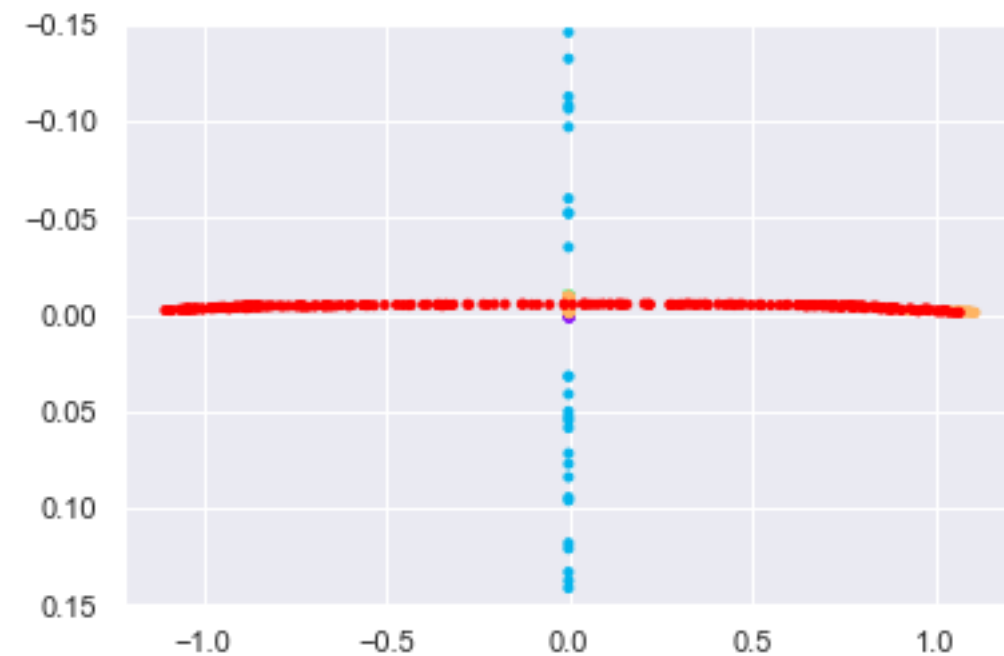
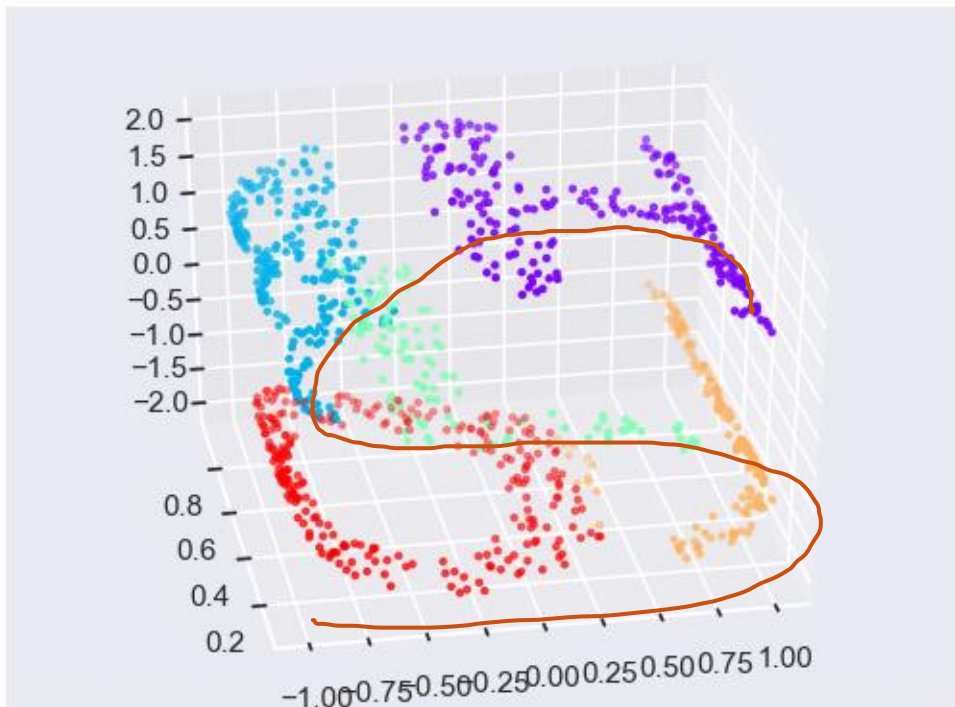
$$d_i = \sum_j w_{i,j}$$

The degree matrix  $D = \text{diag}(d_1, d_2, \dots, d_N)$

$$\begin{bmatrix} d_1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & d_2 & \\ & & & \ddots \\ & & & & d_m \end{bmatrix}$$

# Isomap for dimensionality reduction

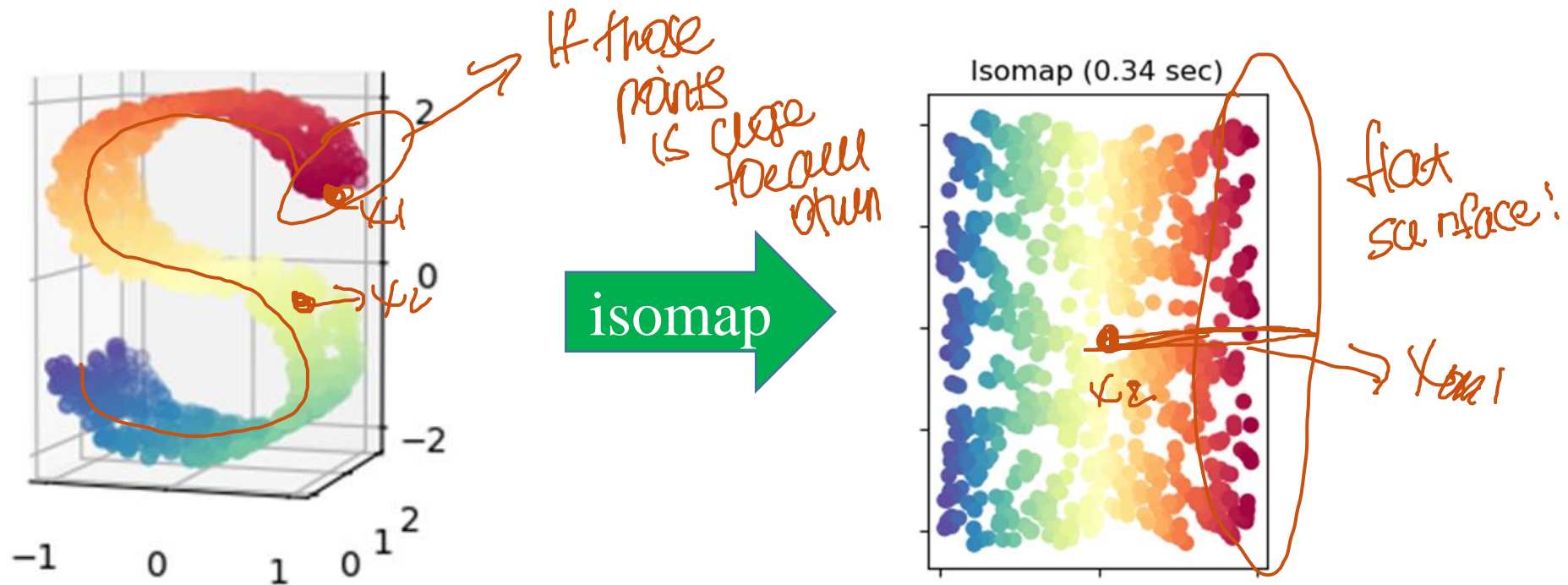
- Input:  $N$  data points  $\{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_N\}$  and  $x_n \in \mathcal{R}^M$
  - **Step-1:** build a neighbor graph of the data points
  - **Step-2:** for each pair of nodes, compute  $d_{i,j}$ , length of the shortest path
- we now have the new distance measure between data points
- **Step-3:** run the Multidimensional Scaling (MDS) algorithm to get the output data points  $\{y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_N\}$  and  $y_n \in \mathcal{R}^K, K \leq M$



not a great  
result!

isomap does not work for those 3D points (sparse) ...





isomap works for those 3D points (dense) ...

data points/images  $\{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_N\}$  and  $x_n \in \mathcal{R}^{2914}$  *→ Input dimension!*



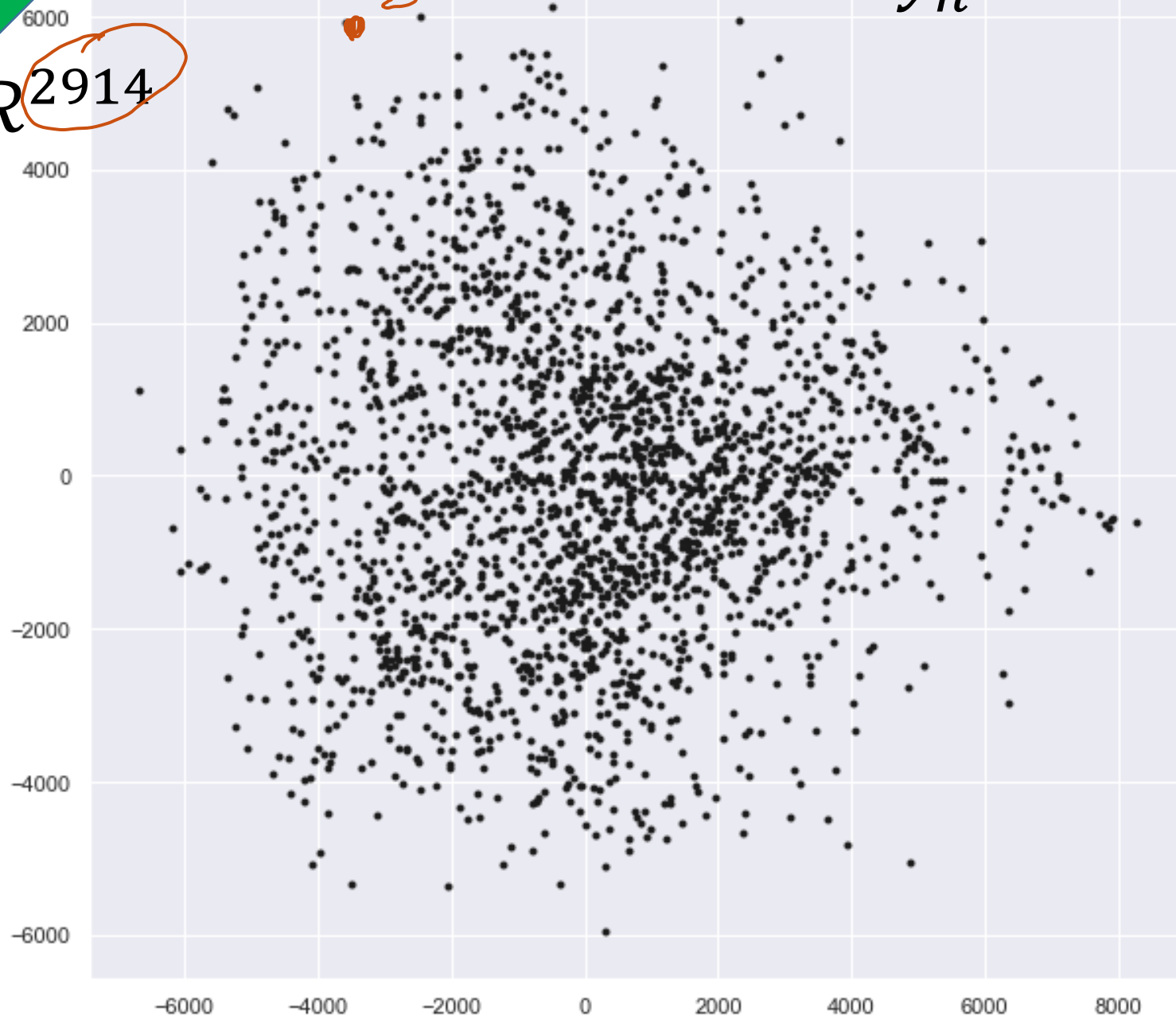
isomap

$x_n \in \mathcal{R}^{2914}$

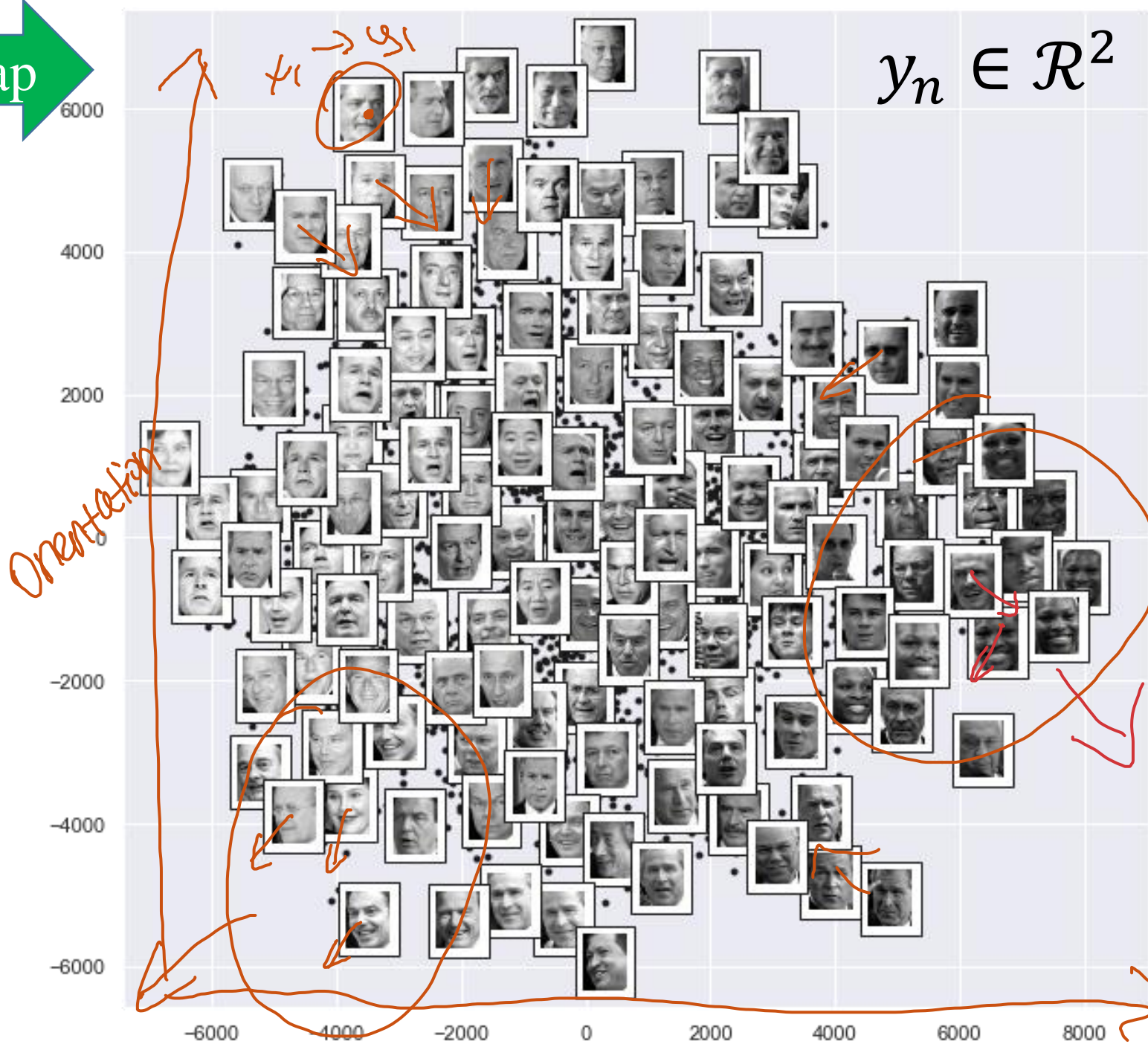
$y_n \in \mathcal{R}^2$

after transform

Next, we will  
show images  
along with the  
dots in 2D



isomap



$$y_n \in \mathcal{R}^2$$

at the center  
we will plot the image

Each image is represented by two numbers/features: the overall darkness or lightness of the image from left to right, and the general orientation of the face from bottom to top.

Isomap  
can group  
the data!

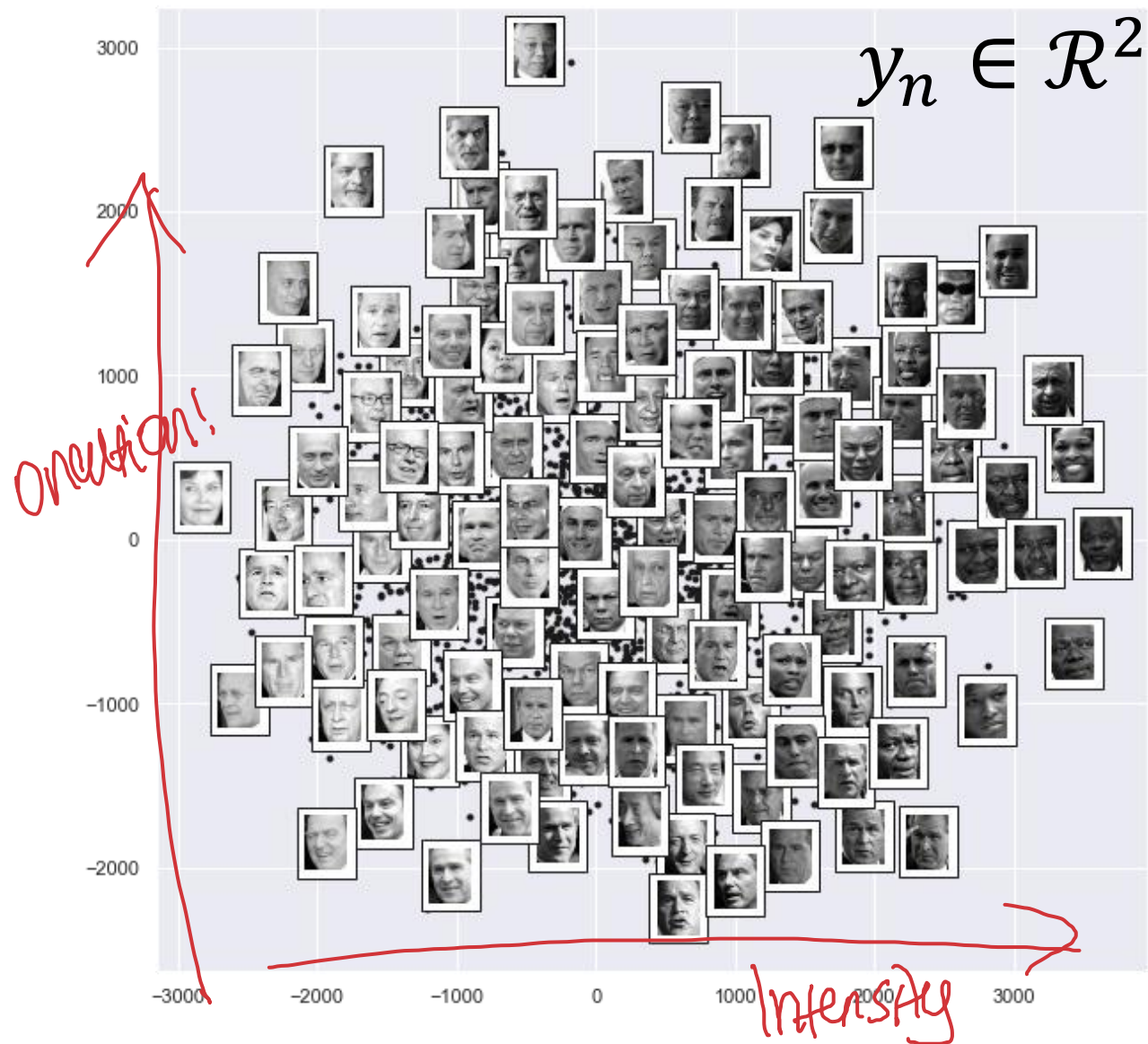
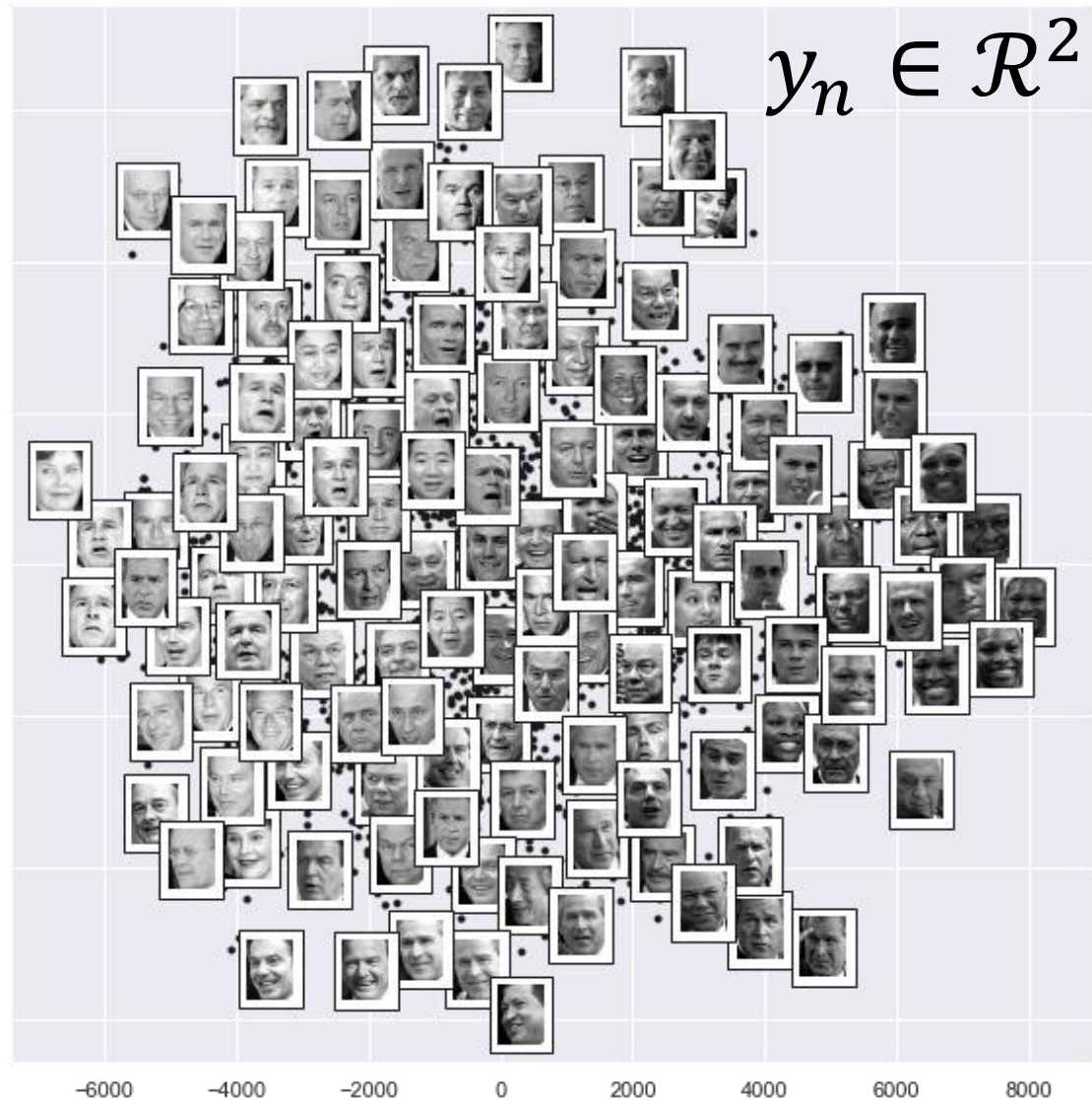
Intensity



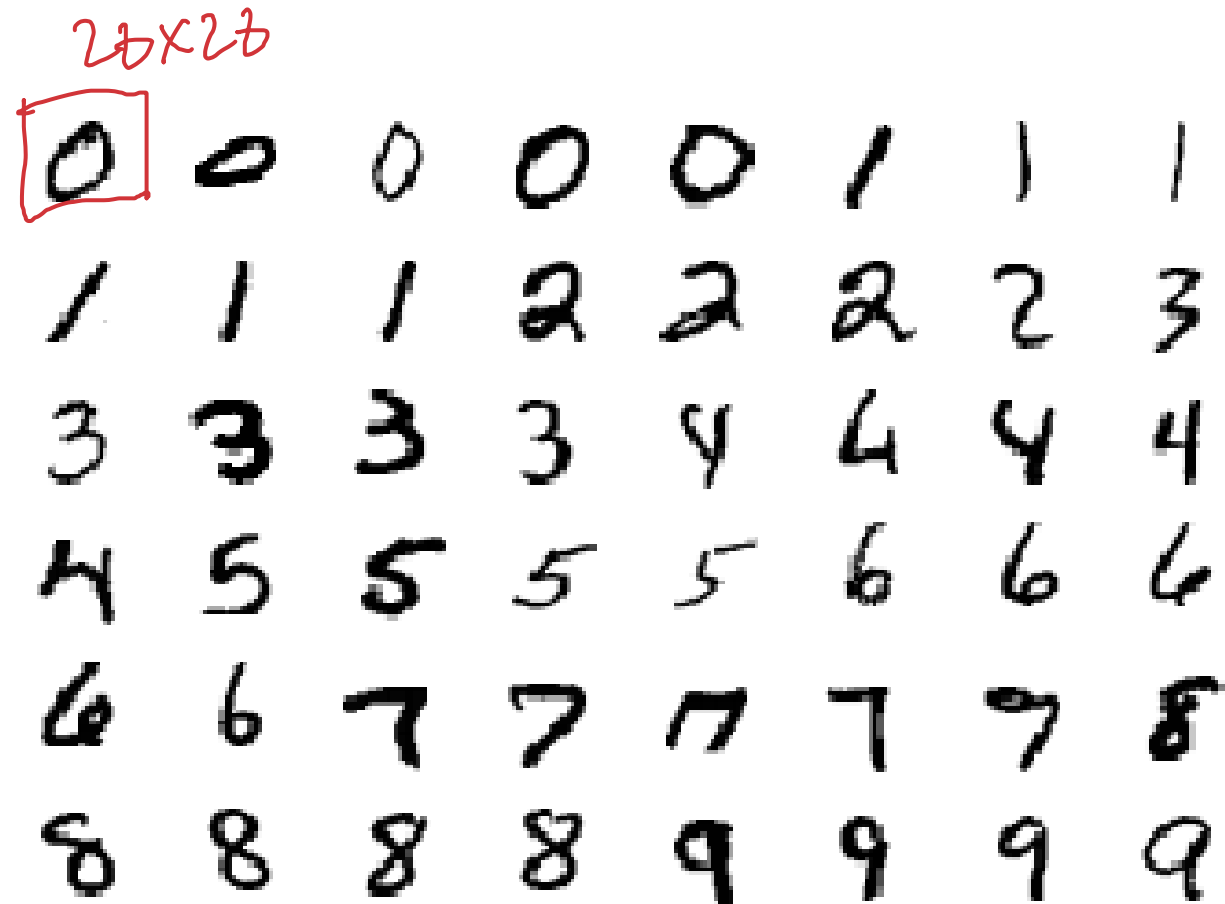
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$$x_n \in \mathcal{R}^{2914}$$

PCA



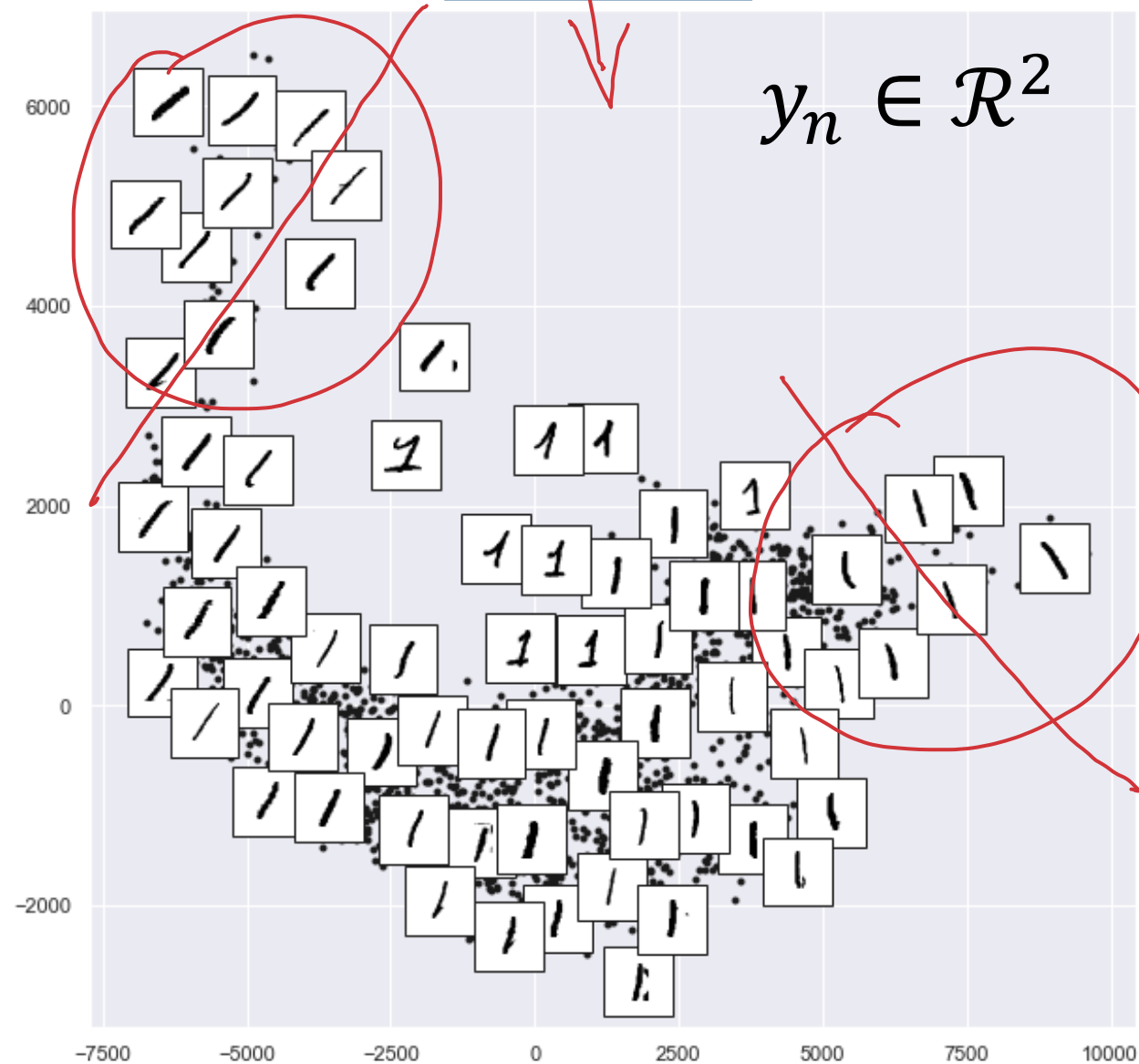
data points/images  $\{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_N\}$  and  $x_n \in \mathcal{R}^{784}$



isomap

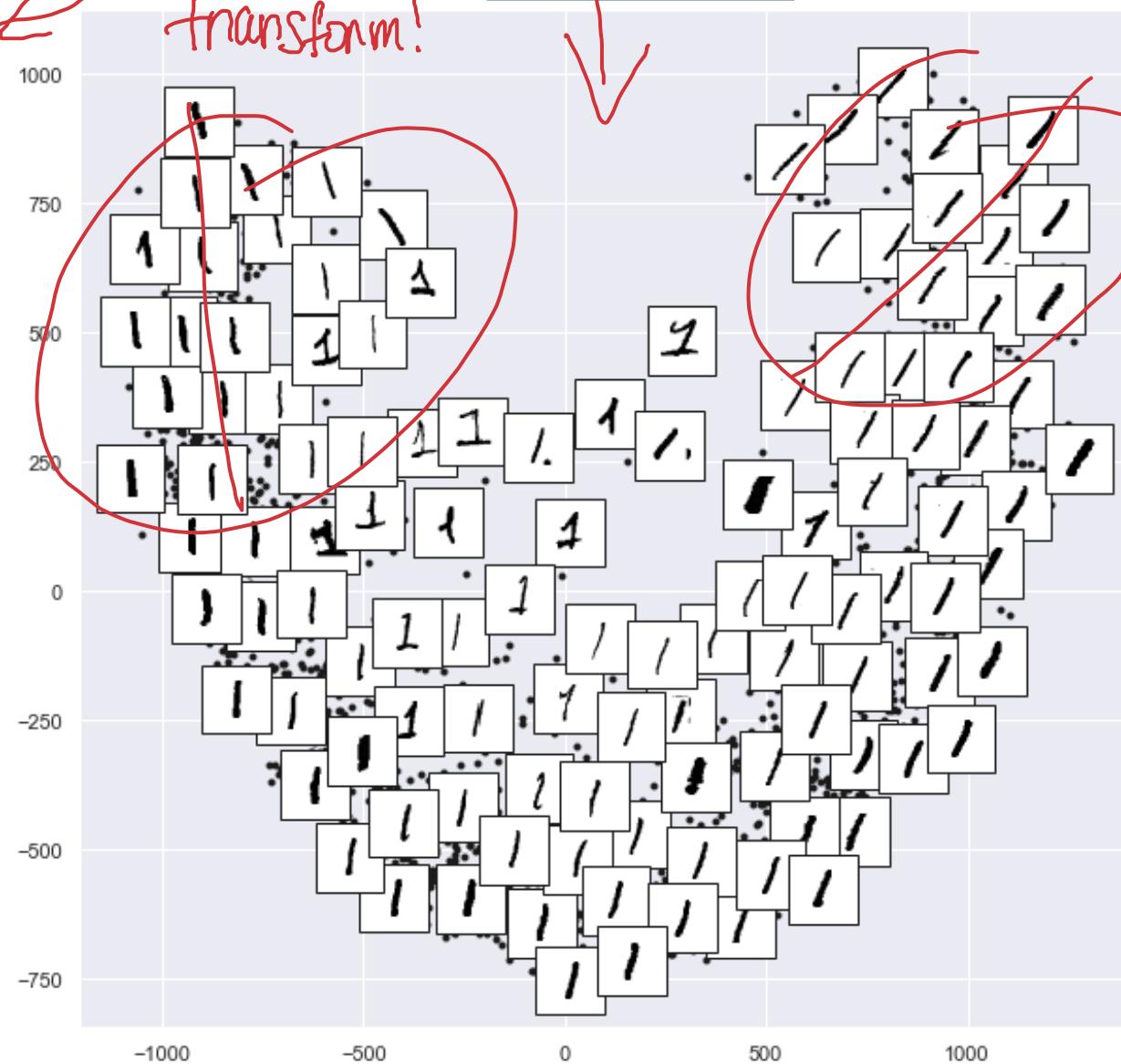
$$x_n \in \mathcal{R}^{784}$$

$$y_n \in \mathcal{R}^2$$



PCA

affine transform!



# Spectral Embedding (

- Input:  $N$  data points  $\{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_N\}$  and  $x_n \in \mathcal{R}^M$
- We can build a neighbor graph of the data points
- Objective: to find  $N$  data points  $\{y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_N\}$  and  $y_n \in \mathcal{R}^K$  such that the loss function is minimized:

$$\sum_{i,j} w_{i,j} \|y_i - y_j\|_2^2$$

$$\begin{cases} w_{12} = 1 & | \psi_1 = \psi_2 \\ \|y_1 - y_2\|_2^2 \approx 0 \end{cases}$$

where  $w_{i,j}$  is the similarity between  $x_i$  and  $x_j$

So, it means if  $x_i$  and  $x_j$  are similar to each other, then  $y_i$  and  $y_j$  should be similar to each other, which means the distance between  $y_i$  and  $y_j$  should be very small.



# Spectral Embedding

- Input:  $N$  data points  $\{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_N\}$  and  $x_n \in \mathcal{R}^M$
- **Step-1:** build a neighbor graph of the data points
- **Step-2:** compute the so-called graph Laplacian  $L = D - A$
- **Step-3:** compute  $K$  *smallest* eigenvalues and corresponding eigenvectors of  $L$   
the eigenvectors are denoted by  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_K$   
and put them into a matrix  $V = [v_1, v_2, \dots, v_K]$ , a  $N$ -by- $K$  matrix

**Output:**

$y_n$  is the  $n$ -th row of  $V$

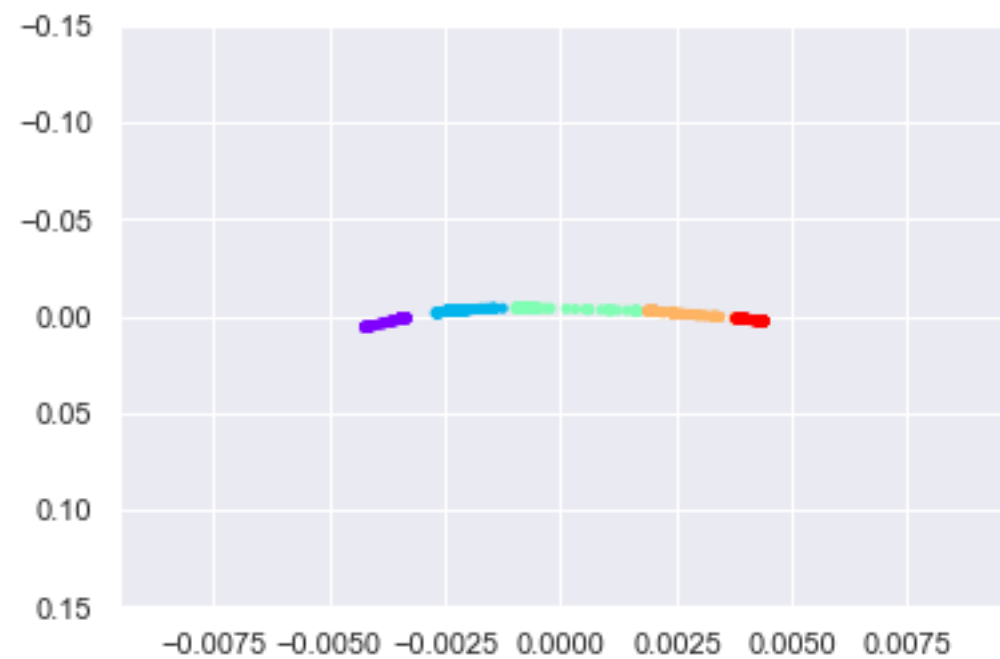
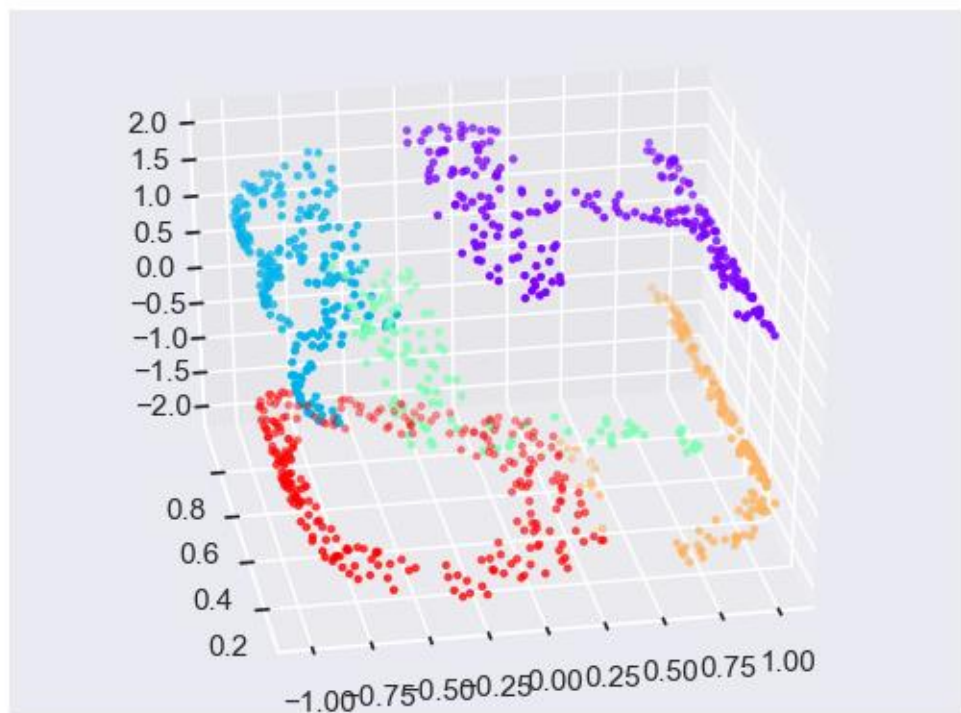
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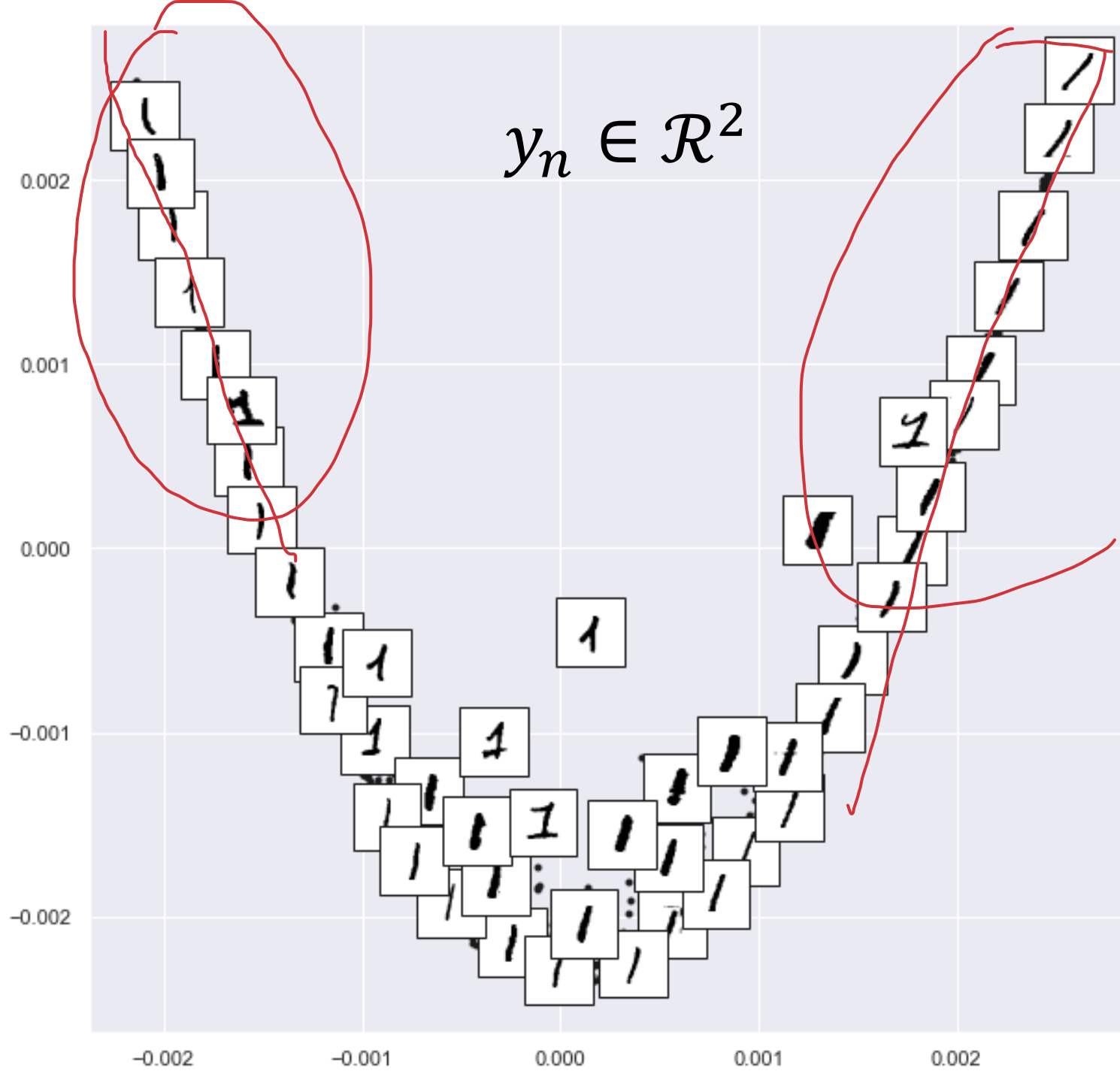
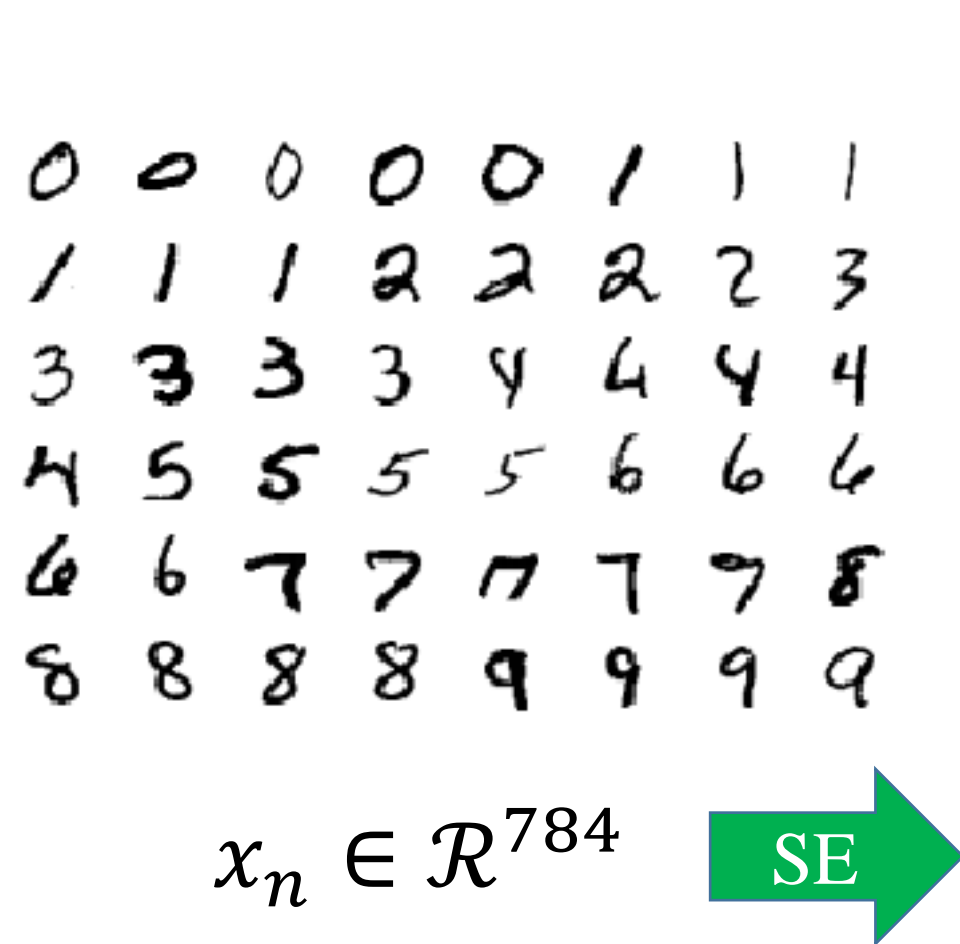
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the eigenvectors are denoted by  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_K$   
and put them into a matrix  $V = [v_1, v_2, \dots, v_K]$ , a  $N$ -by- $K$  matrix

**Output:**  $y_n$  is the  $n$ -th row of  $V$

## Spectral Clustering

run k-means algorithm on output data  $\{y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_N\}$

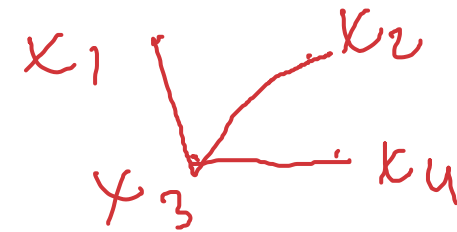




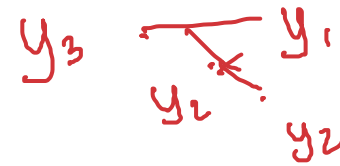
# t-Distributed Stochastic Neighbor Embedding (t-SNE)

• <https://lvdmaaten.github.io/tsne/>

(PnD)



similarity of data point  $x_j$  to  $x_i$



$$q_{1|i} + q_{2|i} + q_{3|i} = 1$$

similarity of data point  $y_j$  to  $y_i$

$$\|P_i - Q_i\|_2^2$$

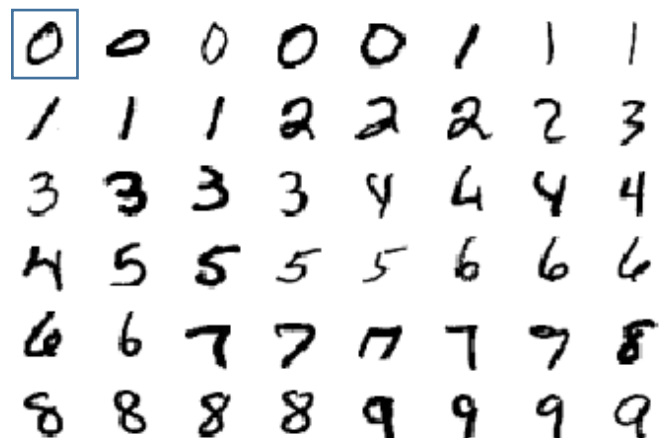
minimize Kullback–Leibler divergence:

the "average distance" between the two sets of similarities/prob-distributions

$$C = \sum_i KL(P_i || Q_i) = \sum_i \sum_j p_{j|i} \log \frac{p_{j|i}}{q_{j|i}},$$

- $P_i = \{P_{1|i}, P_{2|i}, P_{3|i}\}$
- $Q_i = \{Q_{1|i}, Q_{2|i}, Q_{3|i}\}$

$$x_n \in \mathcal{R}^{784}$$



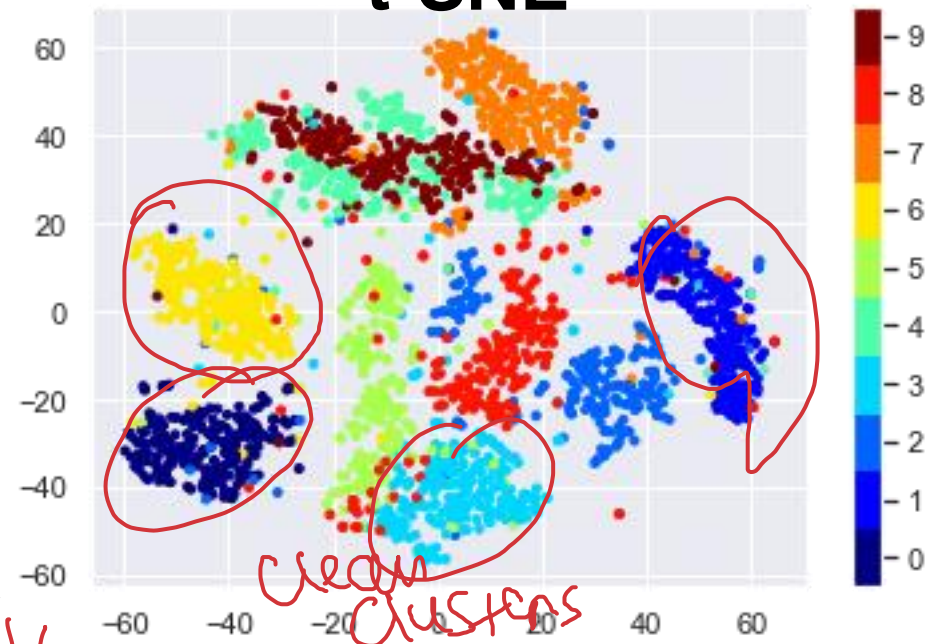
Convented:

Reduce  
dimension:  
In 2D

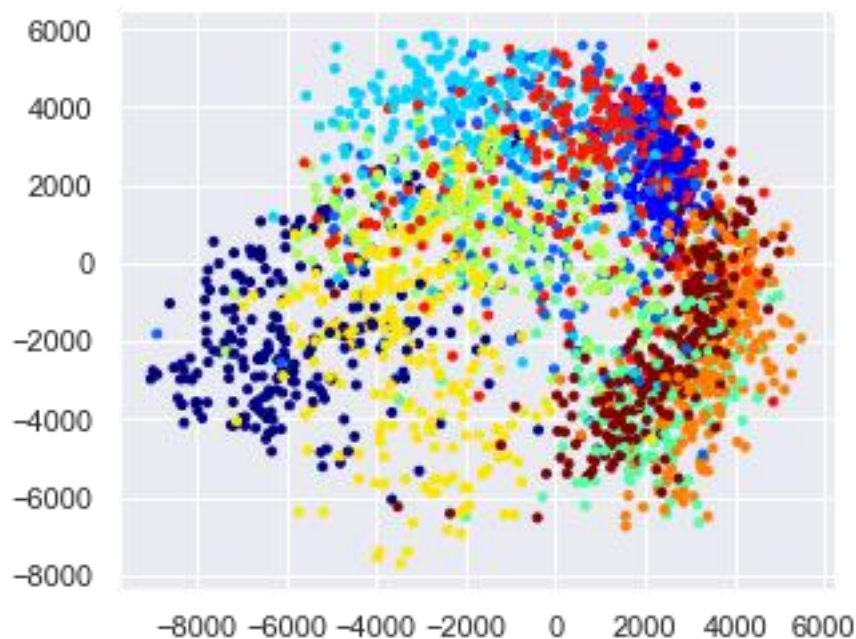


$$y_n \in \mathcal{R}^2$$

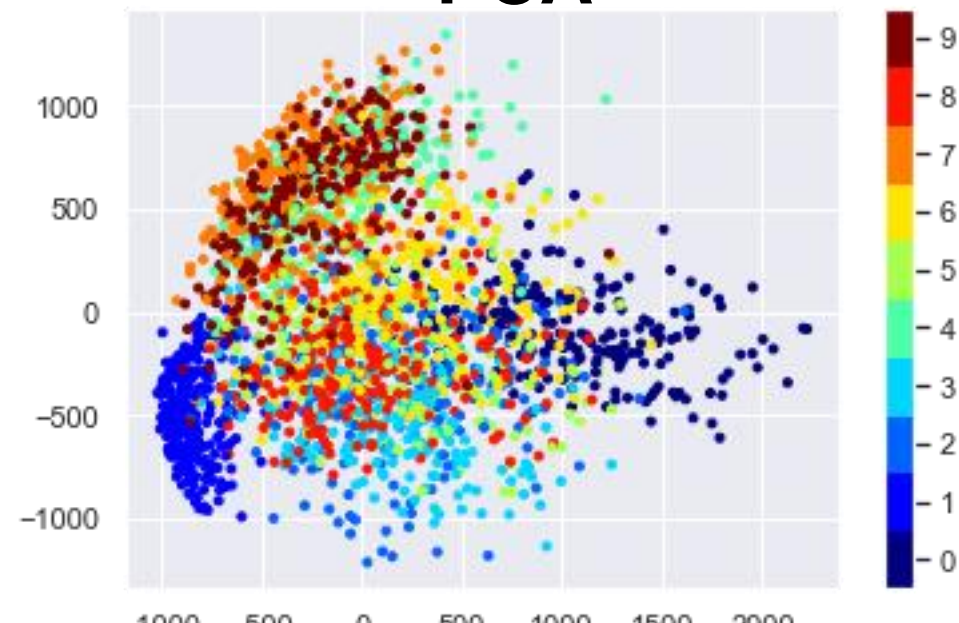
t-SNE



isomap



PCA





# Why dimensionality reduction ? (Why?)

- The dimension-reduced data can be used for
  - Visualizing, exploring and understanding the data
  - Cleaning the data (assuming data = information + noise)
  - Speeding up subsequent learning task
  - Building simpler models



speed up  
the  
process!