

# UVA CS 4774: Machine Learning

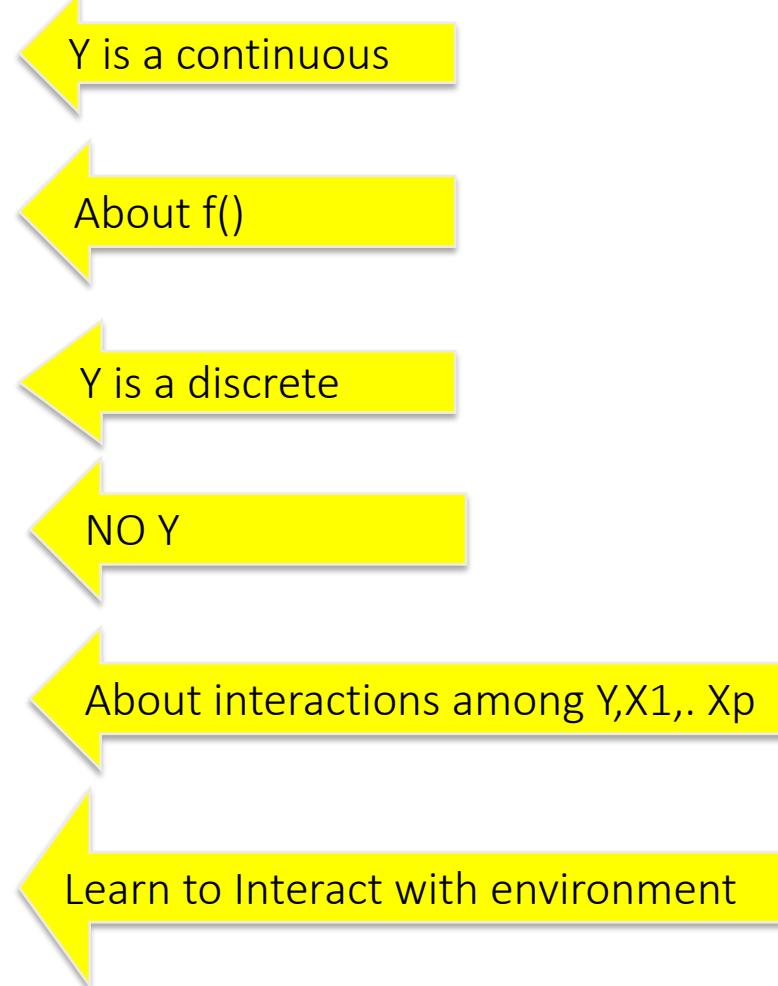
## S5: Lecture 25 Extra: Unsupervised Clustering (III): Gaussian Mixture Model

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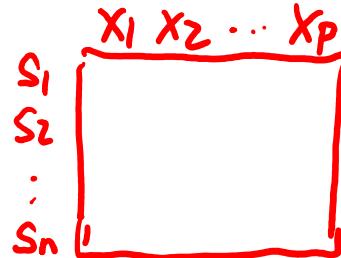
# Course Content Plan → Regarding Tasks

- ~~Regression (supervised)~~
- ~~Learning theory~~
- ~~Classification (supervised)~~
- Unsupervised models
- ~~Graphical models~~
- Reinforcement Learning



# Course Content Plan → Regarding Data

- Tabular / Matrix



- 2D Grid Structured: Imaging

$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$
$x_4$	$x_5$	$x_6$

- 1D Sequential Structured: Text

- Graph Structured (Relational)

- Set Structured / 3D /

	$X_1$	$X_2$	$X_3$
$s_1$			
$s_2$			
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$s_4$			
$s_5$			
$s_6$			

# An unlabeled Dataset X

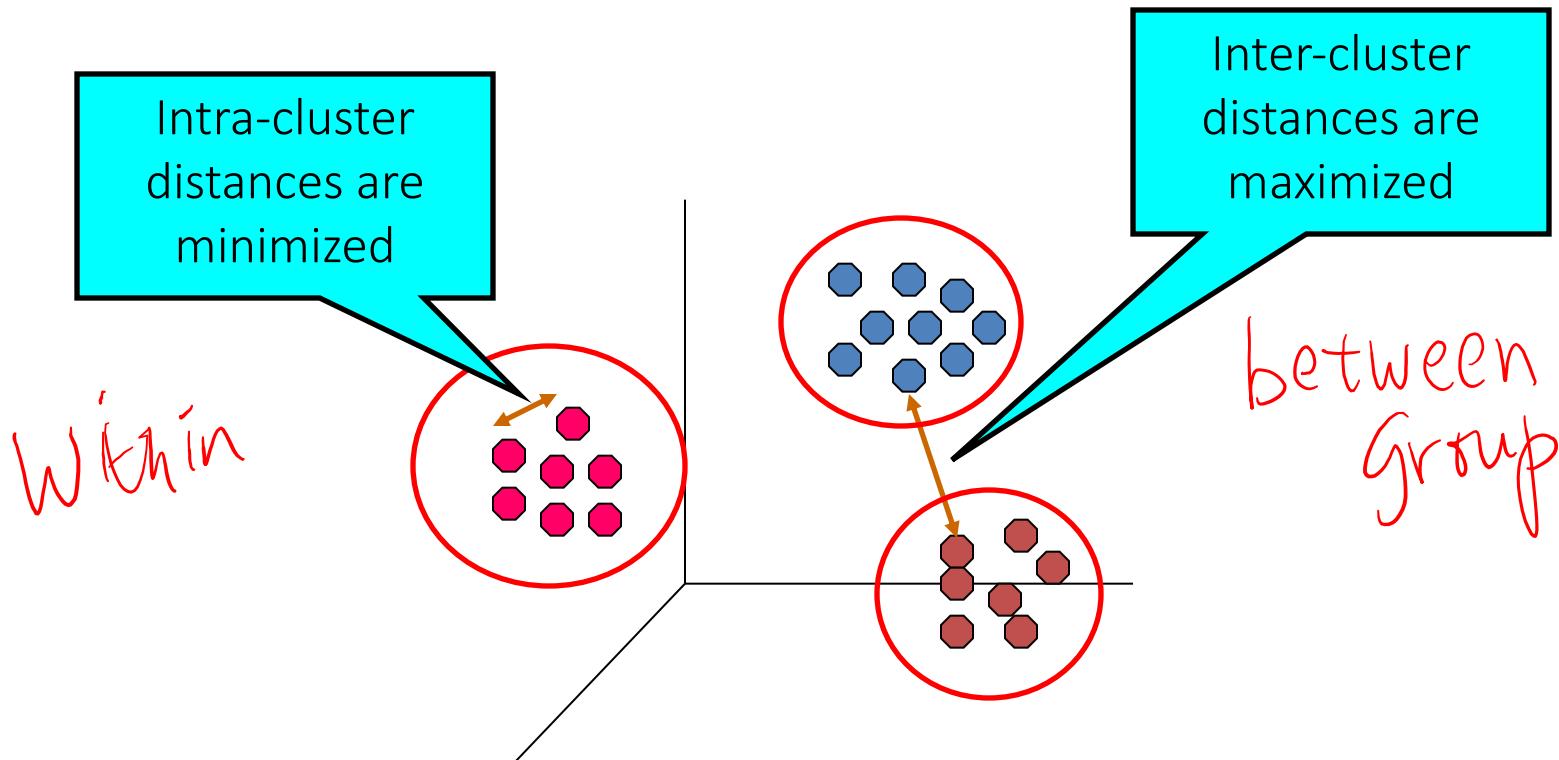
a data matrix of  $n$  observations on  $p$  variables  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p$

Unsupervised learning = learning from raw (unlabeled, unannotated, etc) data, as opposed to supervised data where a classification label of examples is given

- Data/points/instances/examples/samples/records: [ rows ]
- Features/attributes/dimensions/independent variables/covariates/predictors/regressors: [ columns ]

# What is clustering?

- Find groups (clusters) of data points such that data points in a group will be similar (or related) to one another and different from (or unrelated to) the data points in other groups

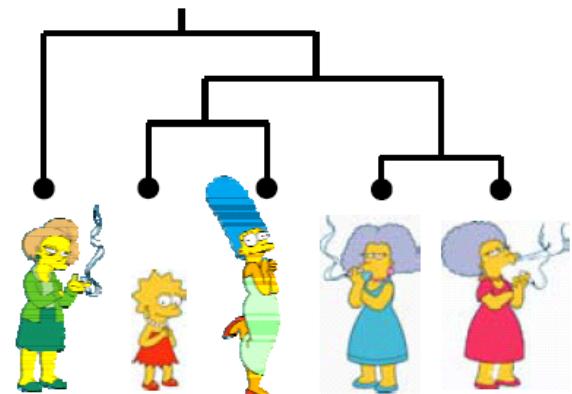


# Roadmap: clustering

- Definition of "groupness"
- Definition of "similarity/distance"
- Representation for objects
- How many clusters?
- Clustering Algorithms
  - ➡ ■ Partitional algorithms
  - Hierarchical algorithms
- Formal foundation and convergence

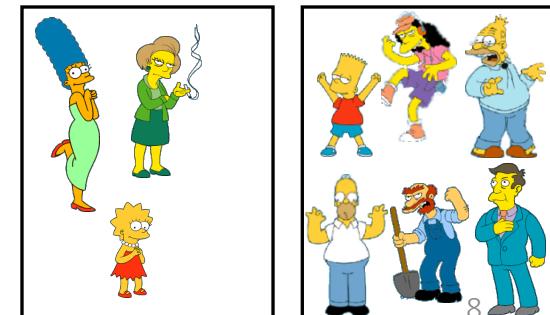
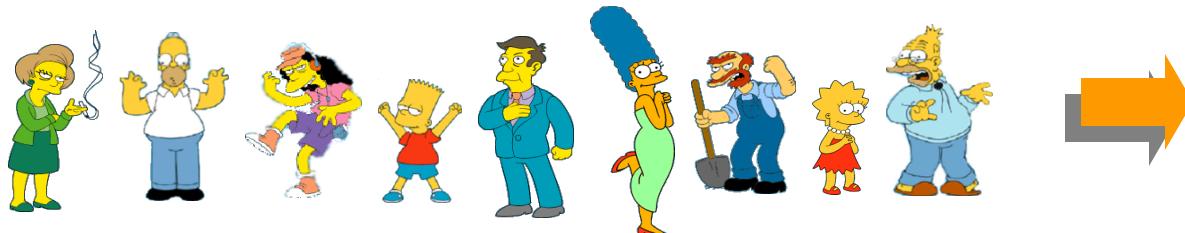
# Clustering Algorithms

- Partitional algorithms
  - Usually start with a random (partial) partitioning
  - Refine it iteratively
    - K means clustering
    - Mixture-Model based clustering
- Hierarchical algorithms
  - Bottom-up, agglomerative
  - Top-down, divisive



# (2) Partitional Clustering

- Nonhierarchical
- Construct a partition of  $n$  objects into a set of  $K$  clusters
- User has to specify the desired number of clusters  $K$ .



# Other partitioning Methods

- Partitioning around medoids (PAM): instead of averages, use multidim medians as centroids (cluster “prototypes”). Dudoit and Freedland (2002).

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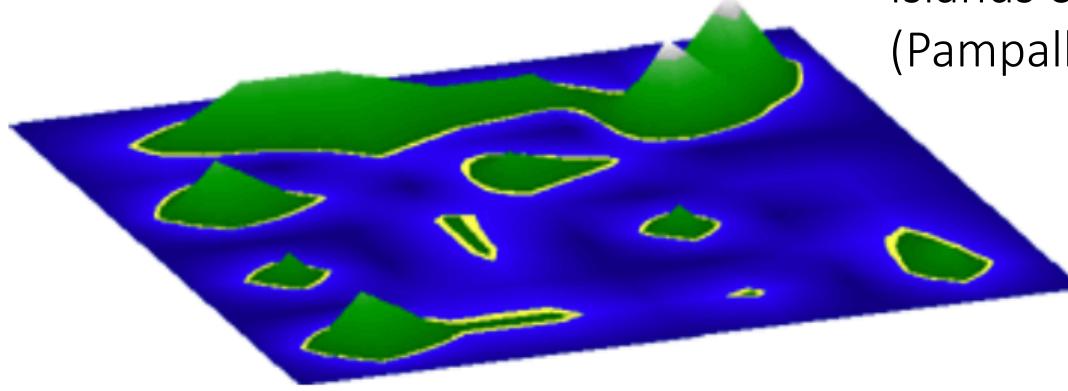
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# E.g.: SOM Used for Visualization

## Islands of Music

Analysis, Organization, and Visualization of  
Music Archives

Islands of music  
(Pampalk et al., KDD' 03)



**piece of music:** member of a *music collection* and inhabitant of *islands of music*. Groups of similar pieces of music (also known as *genres*) like to gather around large mountains or small hills depending on the size of the group. Groups which are similar to each other like to live close together. Individuals which are not members of specific groups usually live near the beach and some very individualistic pieces might be found swimming in deep water.

**islands of music:** serve as graphical *user interface* to a music collection and are intended to help the user explore vast amounts of music in an efficient way. Islands of music are generated automatically based on *psychoacoustics models* and *self-organizing maps*.

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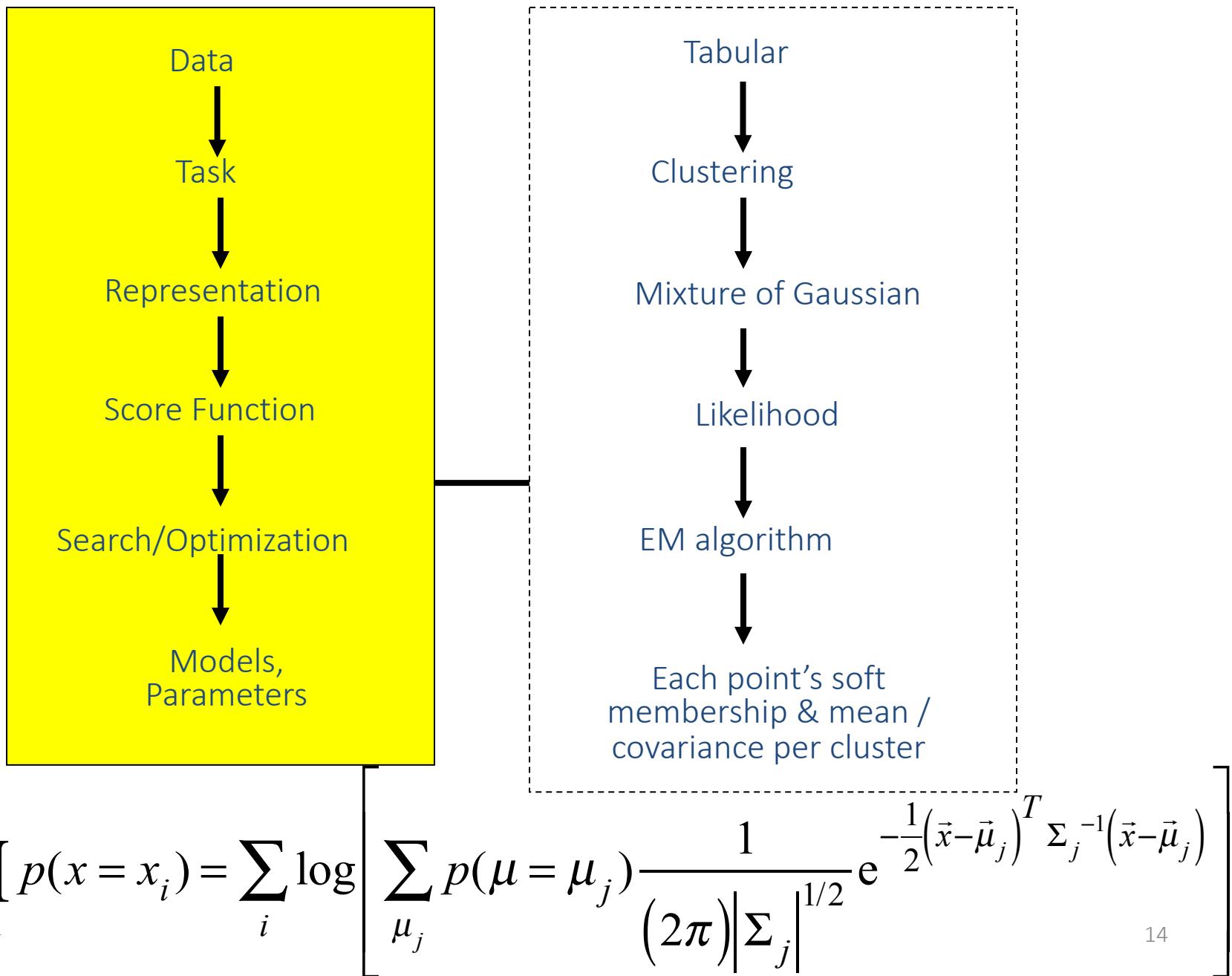
$C_j \in \text{trainSet}$

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- Mixture-based clustering: implemented through an EM (Expectation-Maximization) algorithm. This provides soft partitioning, and allows for modeling of cluster centroids and shapes. (Yeung et al. (2001), McLachlan et al. (2002))

$$m_{ij} \in \{1, 0\} \rightarrow [0, 1]$$

### (3) GMM Clustering

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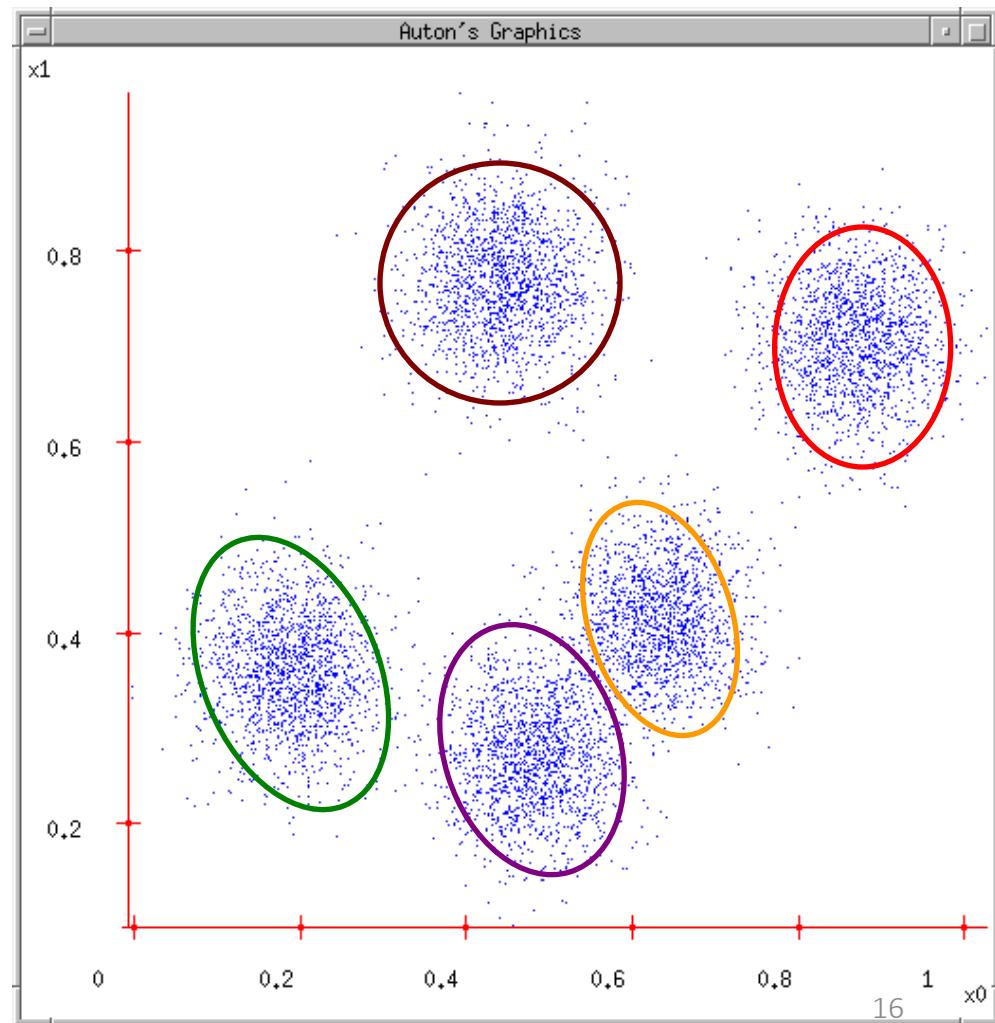


# Partitional : Gaussian Mixture Model

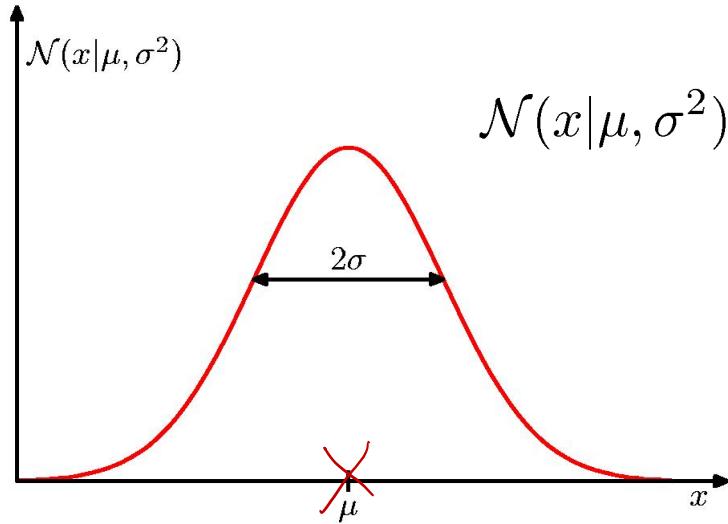
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# A Gaussian Mixture Model for Clustering

- Assume that data are generated from a mixture of Gaussian distributions
  - For each Gaussian distribution
    - Center:  $\mu_i$
    - covariance:  $\sum_j$
  - For each data point
    - Determine membership
- $z_{ij}$  : if  $x_i$  belongs to j-th cluster

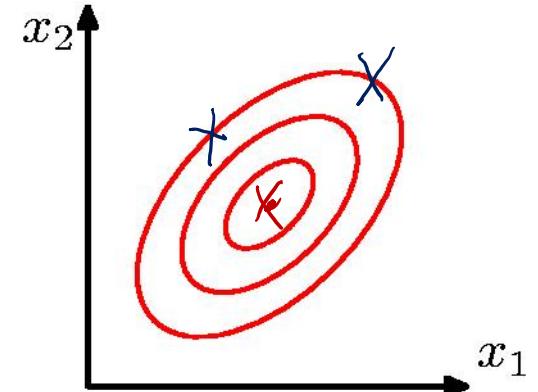


# Gaussian Distribution



$$\mathcal{N}(x|\mu, \sigma^2) = \frac{1}{(2\pi\sigma^2)^{1/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x - \mu)^2 \right\}$$

$$X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$



$$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{P/2}} \frac{1}{|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}|^{1/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \right\}$$

Mean                          Covariance Matrix

# Example: the Bivariate Normal distribution

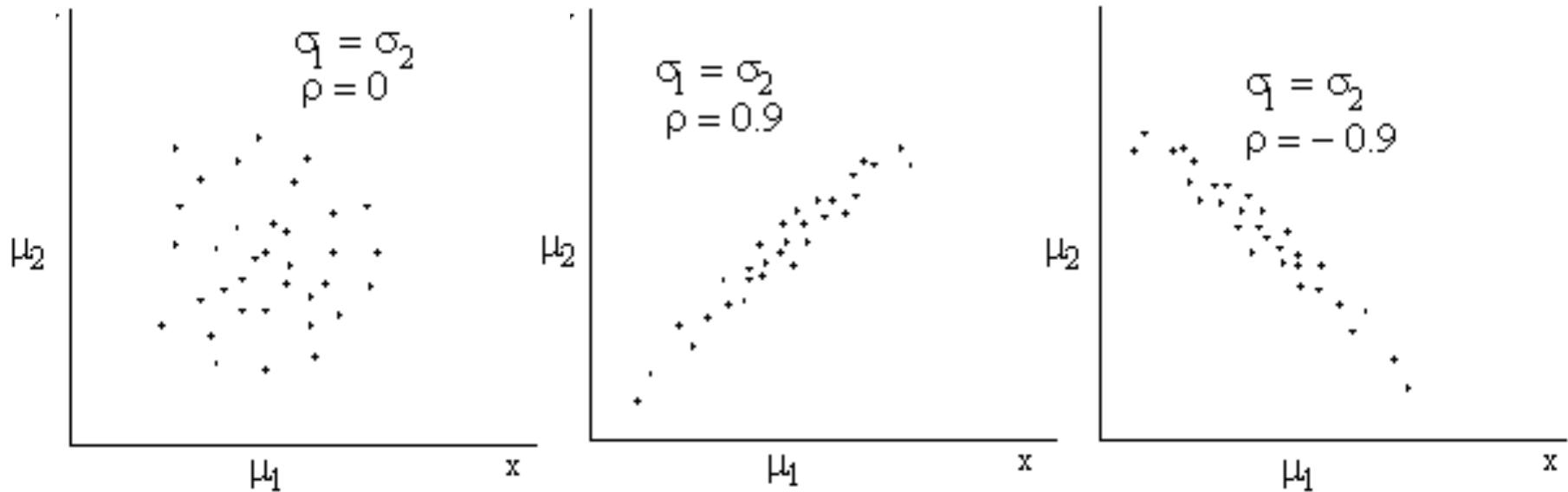
$$p(\vec{x}) = f(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{|\Sigma|^{1/2}}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\vec{x}-\vec{\mu})^T \Sigma^{-1} (\vec{x}-\vec{\mu})}$$

with  $\vec{\mu} = \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \end{bmatrix}$  and

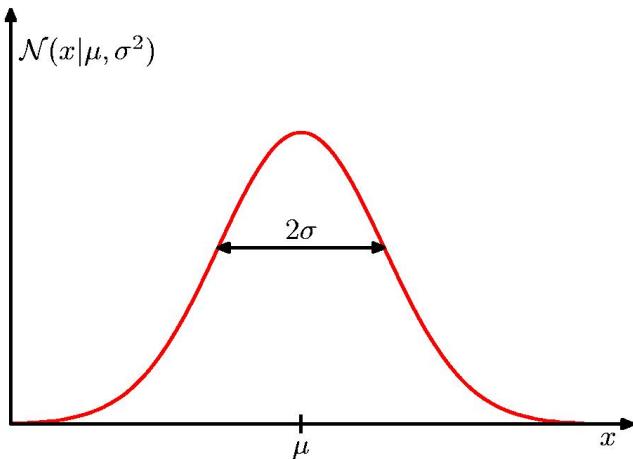
$$\Sigma_{2 \times 2} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{11} & \sigma_{12} \\ \sigma_{12} & \sigma_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \text{Cov}(x_1, x_2) \\ \underbrace{\rho \sigma_1 \sigma_2}_{\sqrt{\sigma_1 \sigma_2}} & \sigma_2^2 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 2}$$

$$|\Sigma| = \sigma_{11}\sigma_{22} - \sigma_{12}^2 = \sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2 (1 - \rho^2)$$

# Scatter Plots of data from the bivariate Normal distribution



# How to Estimate Gaussian: MLE



- In the 1D Gaussian case, we simply set the mean and the variance to the **sample mean** and the **sample variance**:

$$\bar{\mu} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

$$\bar{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{\mu})^2$$

# The p-multivariate Normal distribution

$$\langle X_1, X_2 \dots, X_p \rangle \sim N(\vec{\mu}, \Sigma)$$

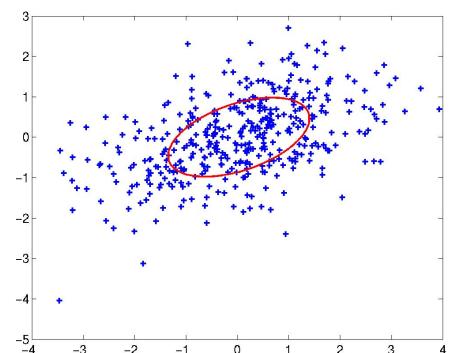
$$\vec{\mu} = \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \\ \vdots \\ \mu_p \end{bmatrix} \quad p \times 1$$

$$\mu_i = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^N \underline{X_j^{(i)}}$$

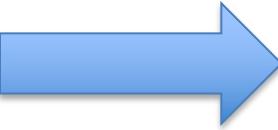
$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \text{Var}(X_1) & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \text{Var}(X_p) \end{bmatrix}$$

-  $i$  -  
 |  
 Cov( $X_i, X_j$ )  
 |  
 -  $j$  -  
 |

$\in \{1, 2, \dots, p\}$   
*i-th feature*  
 $\in \{1, 2, \dots, N\}$   
*j-th sample*



# Partitional : Gaussian Mixture Model

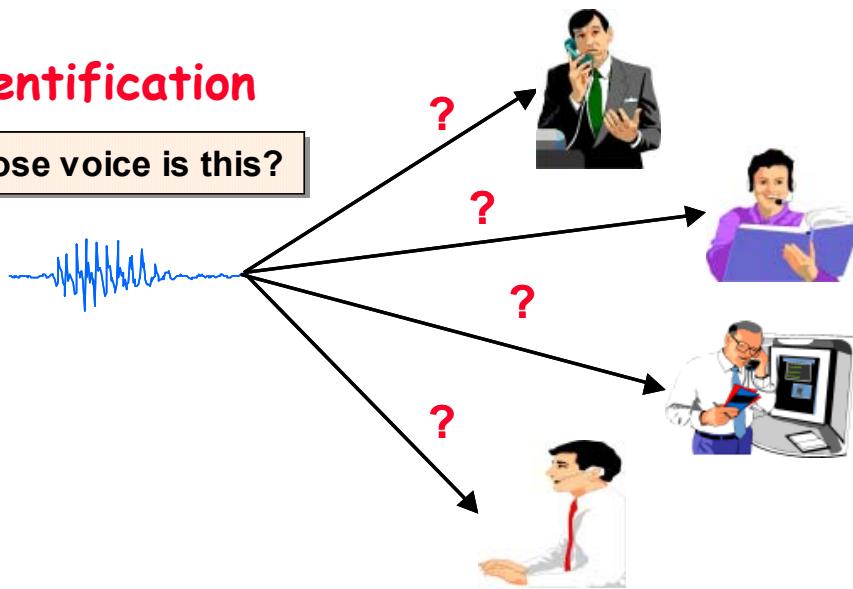
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# Application:

## Three Speaker Recognition Tasks

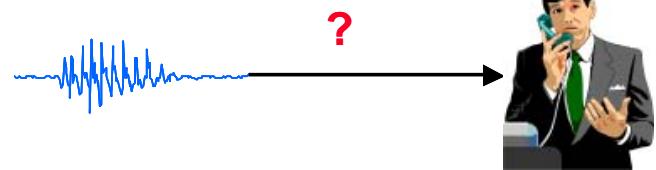
### Identification

Whose voice is this?



### Verification/Authentication/Detection

Is this Bob's voice?

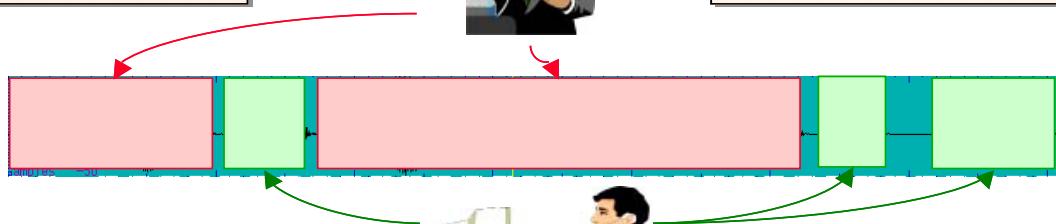


### Segmentation and Clustering (Diarization)

Where are speaker changes?



Which segments are from the same speaker?



# Application : GMMs for speaker recognition

- A Gaussian mixture model (GMM) represents as the weighted sum of multiple Gaussian distributions

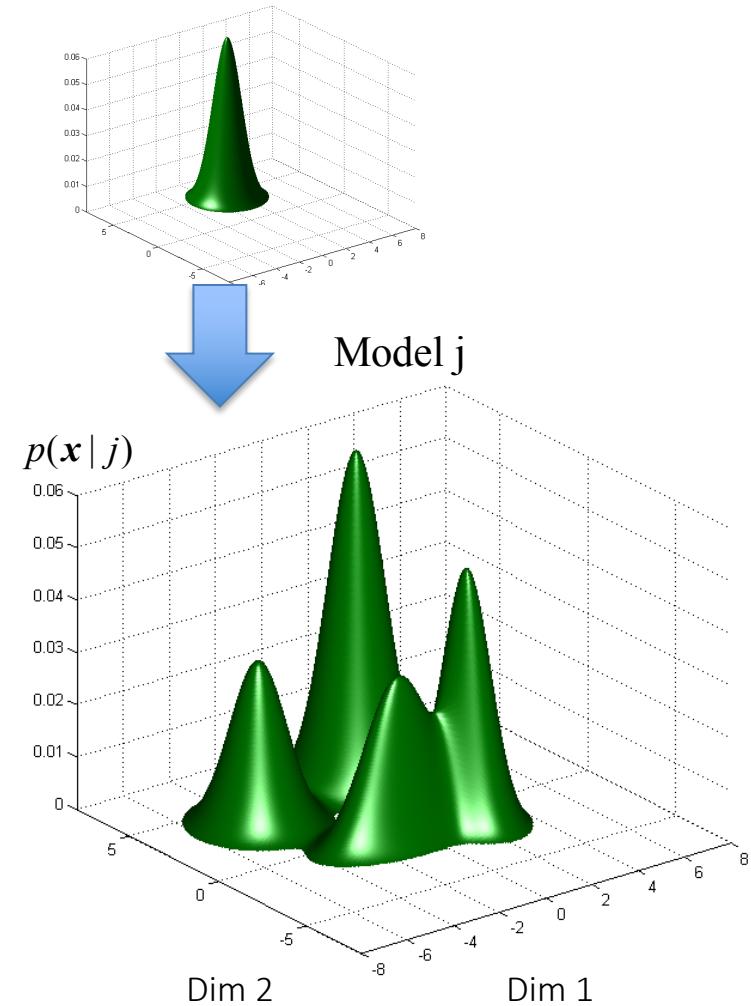
- Each Gaussian state  $i$  has a

- Mean  $\mu_j$

- Covariance

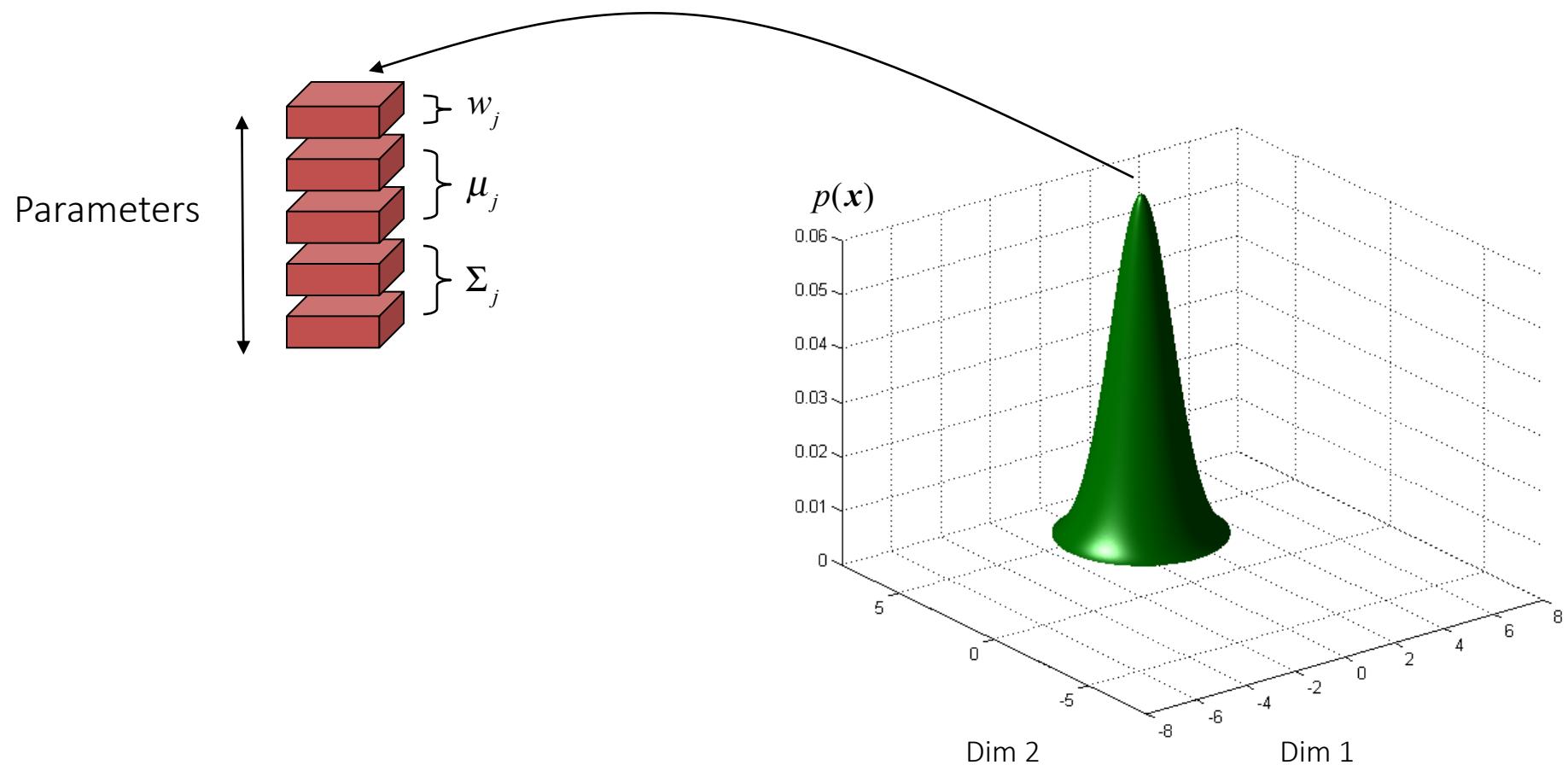
- Weight  $\Sigma_j$

$$w_j \equiv p(\mu = \mu_j)$$



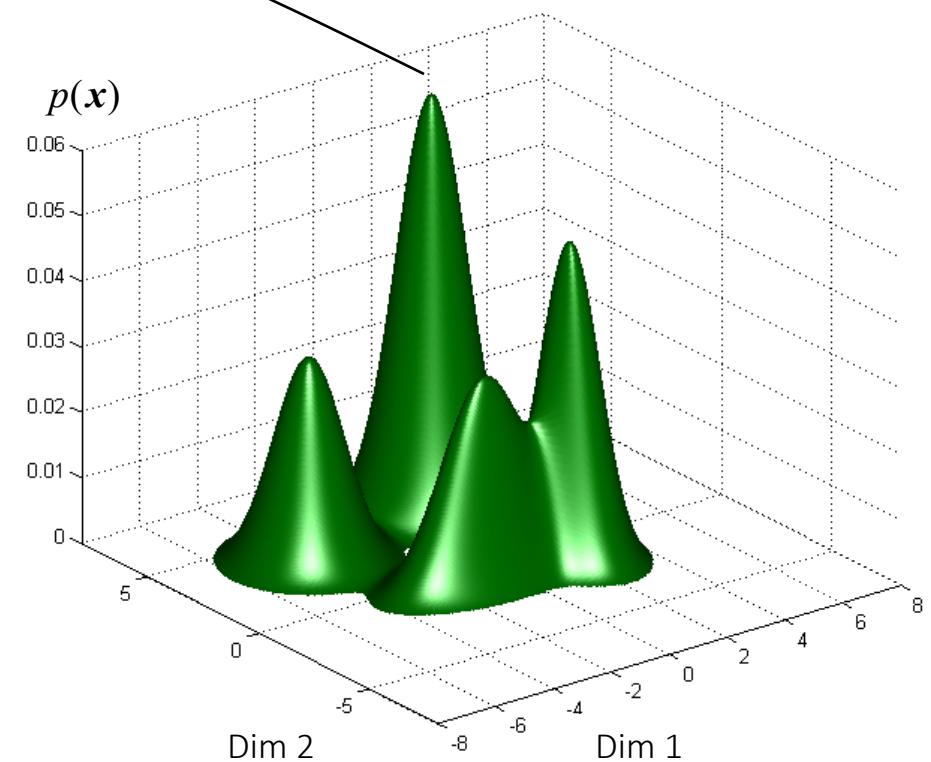
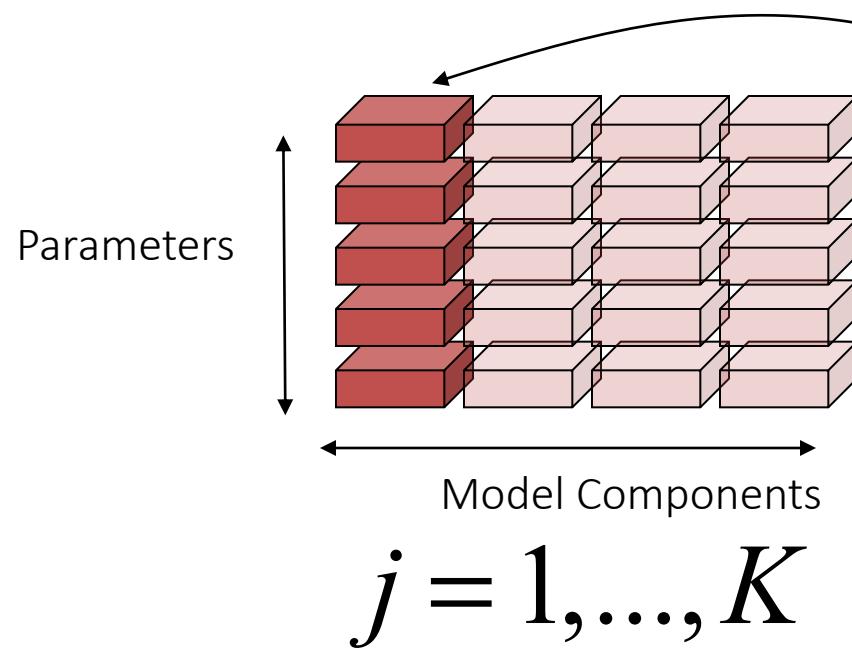
# Recognition Systems

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# Learning a Gaussian Mixture

- Probability Model

$$p(\vec{x} = \vec{x}_i)$$

A Gaussian mixture model (GMM) represents as the weighted sum of multiple Gaussian distributions

$$= \sum_j p(\vec{x} = \vec{x}_i, \vec{\mu} = \vec{\mu}_j)$$

Total law of probability

$$= \sum_j p(\vec{\mu} = \vec{\mu}_j) p(\vec{x} = \vec{x}_i | \vec{\mu} = \vec{\mu}_j)$$

Chain rule

$$= \sum_j p(\vec{\mu} = \vec{\mu}_j) \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{p/2} |\Sigma_j|^{1/2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} (\vec{x} - \vec{\mu}_j)^T \Sigma_j^{-1} (\vec{x} - \vec{\mu}_j)}$$

# Max Log-likelihood of Observed Data Samples

- Log-likelihood of data  $\log p(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n) =$

$$\log \prod_{i=1..n} \sum_{j=1..K} p(\vec{\mu} = \vec{\mu}_j) \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{p/2} |\Sigma_j|^{1/2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} (\vec{x}_i - \vec{\mu}_j)^T \Sigma_j^{-1} (\vec{x}_i - \vec{\mu}_j)}$$

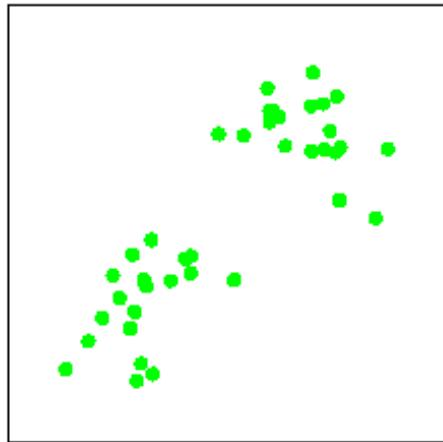
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Apply MLE to find  $\left\{ \{p(\vec{\mu} = \vec{\mu}_j)\}, j = 1 \dots K \right\}$   
 optimal Gaussian parameters  $\{\vec{\mu}_j, \Sigma_j, j = 1 \dots K\}$

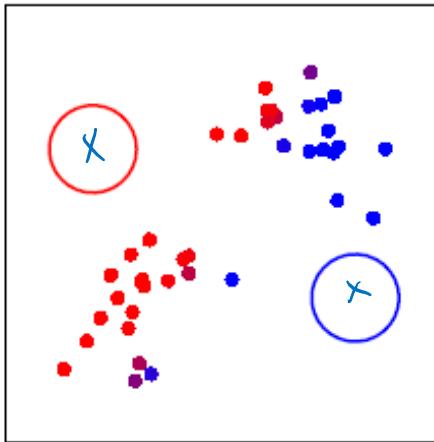
# Expectation-Maximization for training GMM

- Start:
  - "Guess" the centroid and covariance for each of the K clusters
  - “Guess” the proportion of clusters, e.g., uniform prob 1/K
- Loop
  - For each **point**, revising its **proportions** belonging to each of the K clusters
  - For each **cluster**, revising both the mean (**centroid position**) and covariance (**shape**)

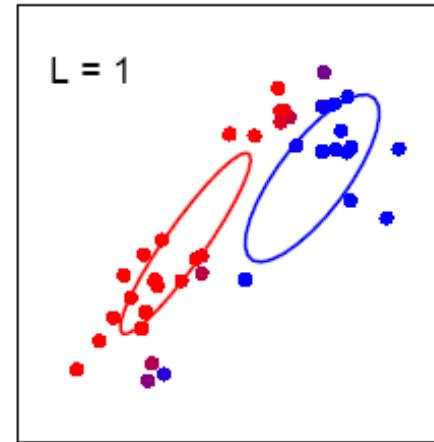
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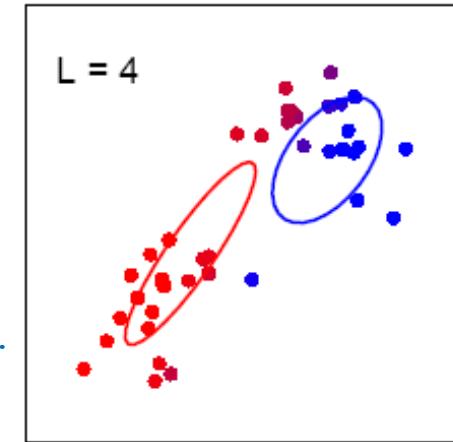
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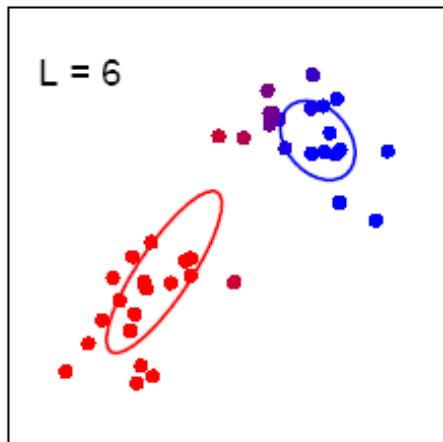
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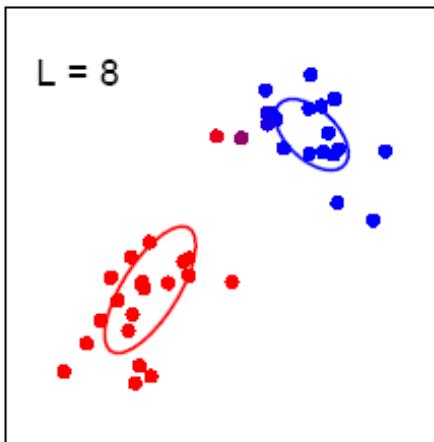
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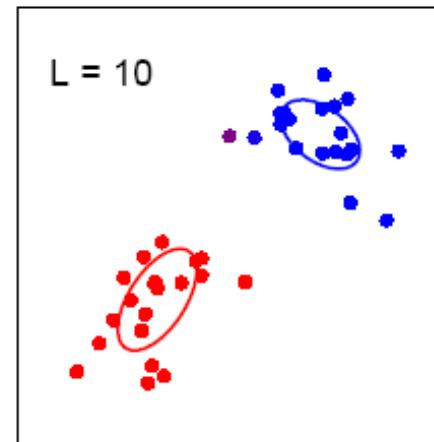
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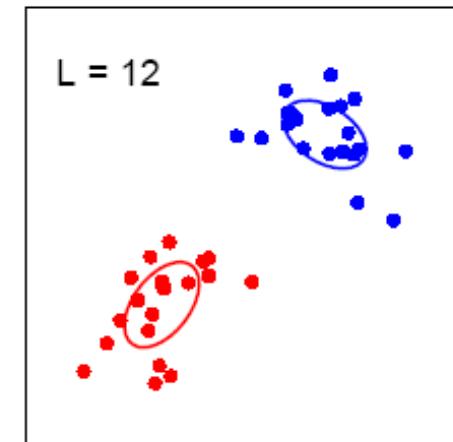
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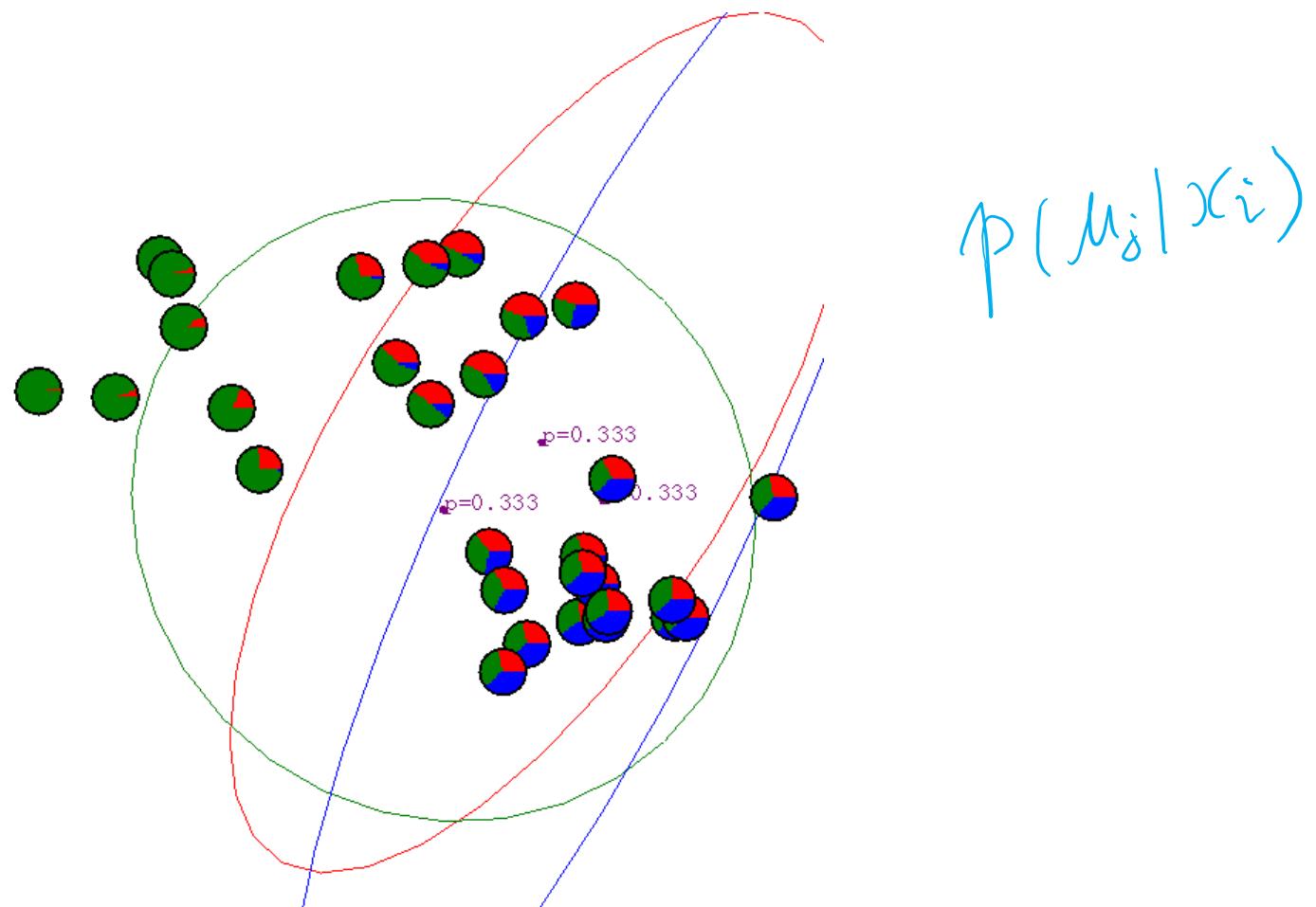


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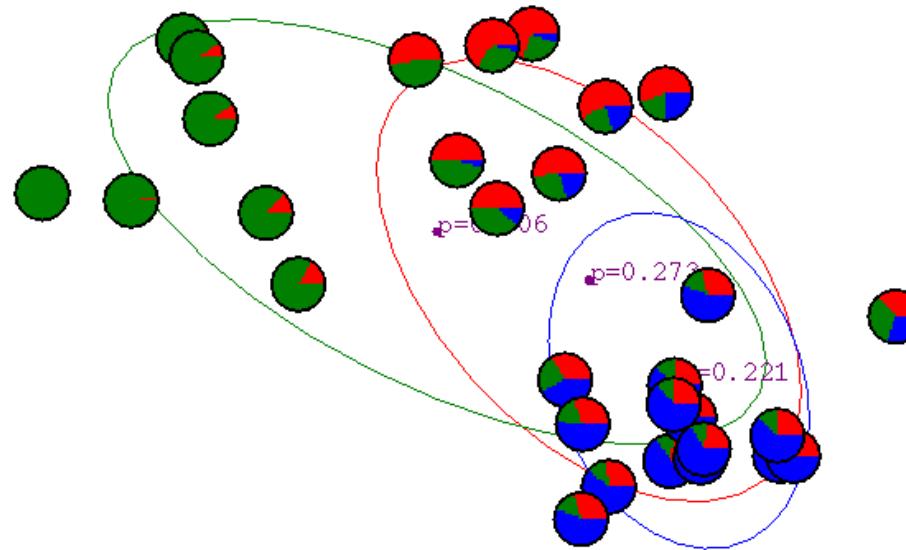
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# Another Gaussian Mixture Example: Start



# Another GMM Example: After First Iteration

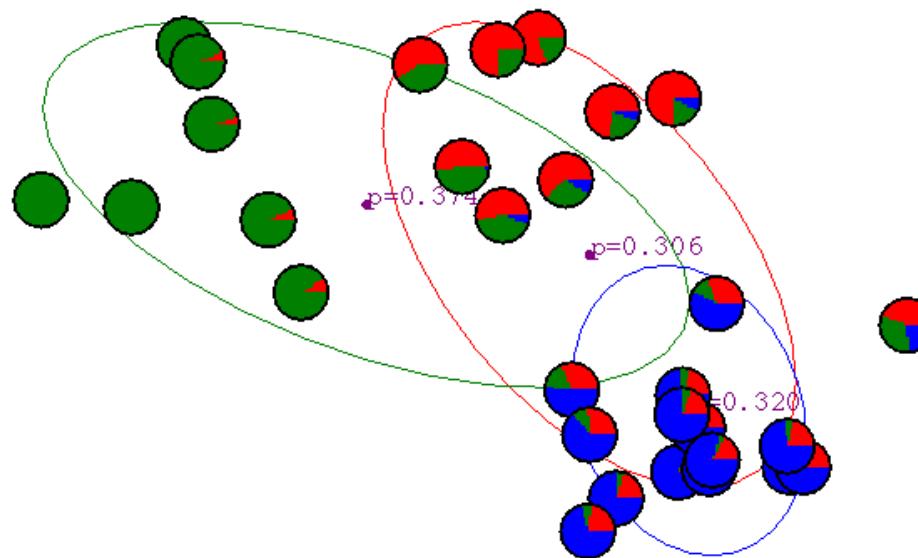
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For each cluster, revising its mean (centroid position), covariance (shape) and proportion in the mixture

# Another GMM Example: After 2nd Iteration

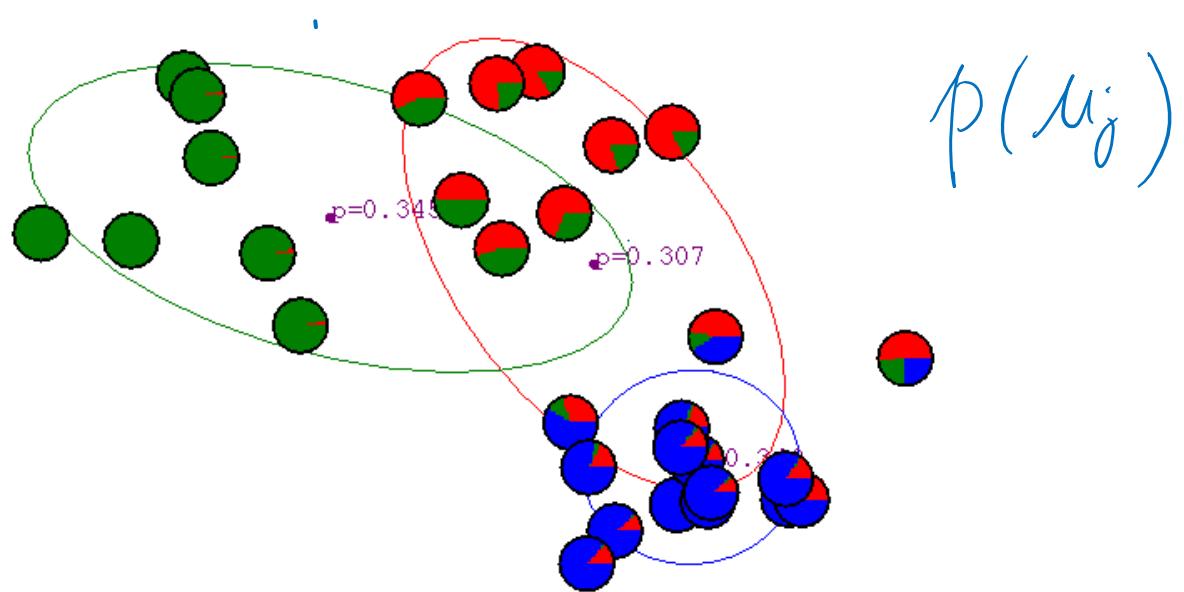
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# After 3rd Iteration

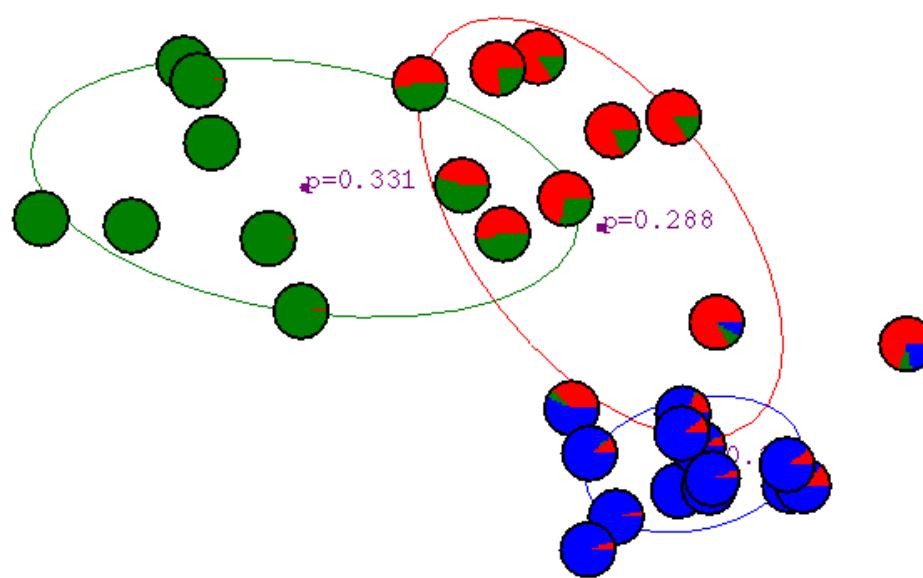
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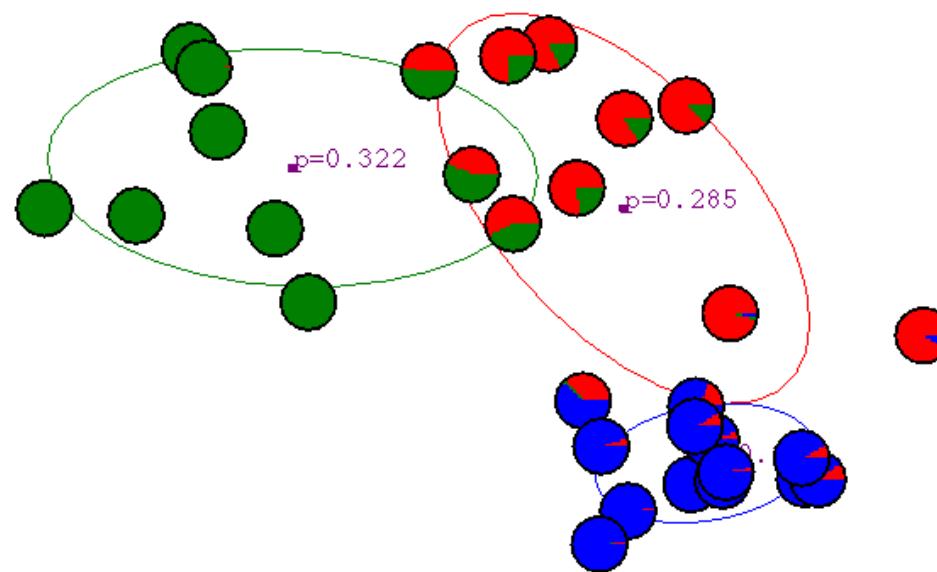
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# After 5th Iteration

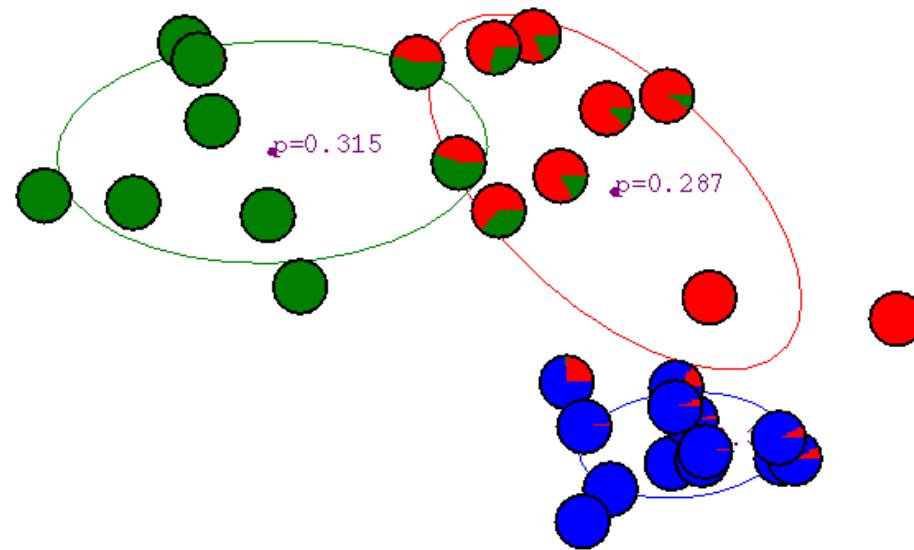
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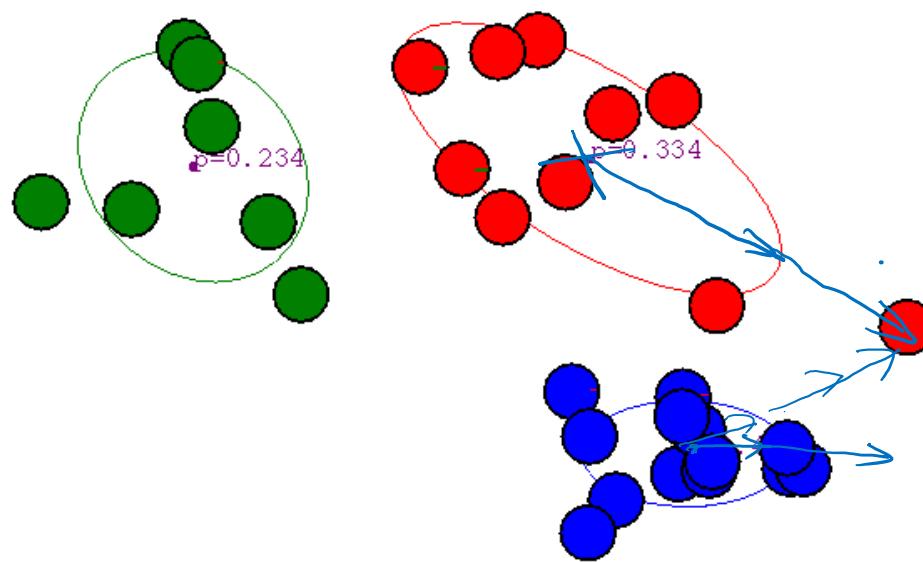
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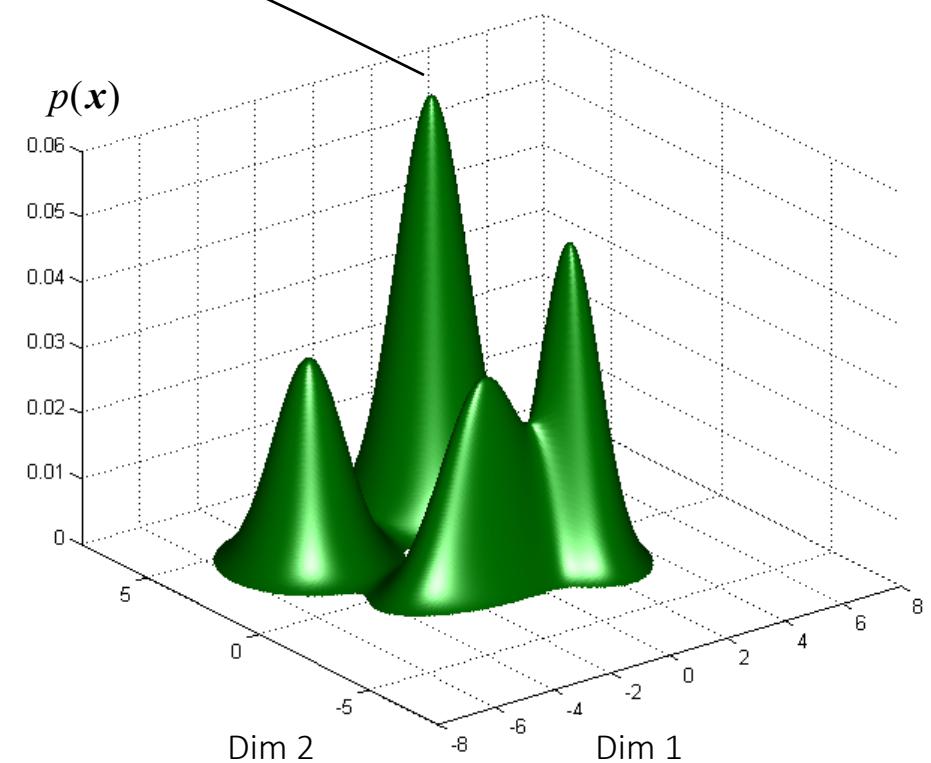
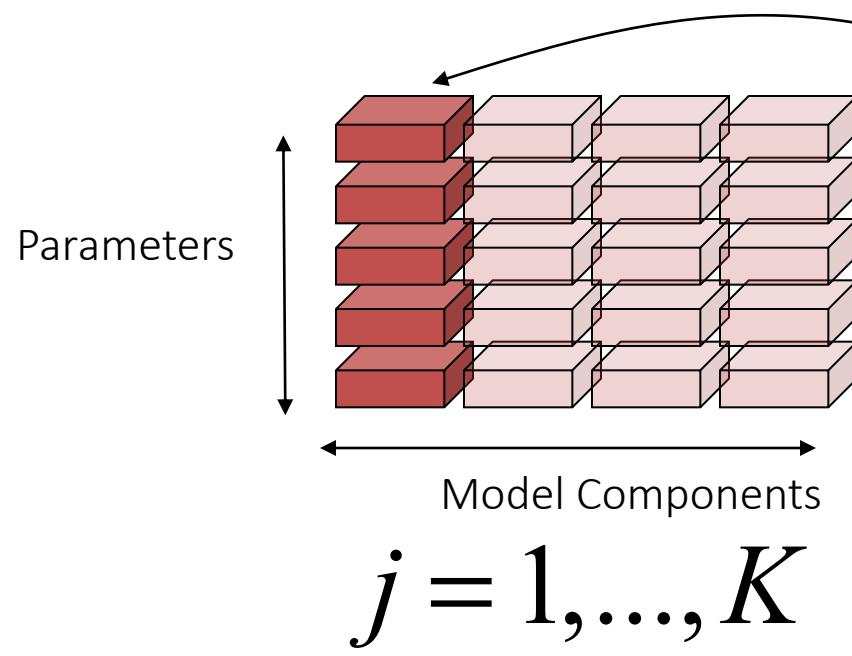
# Another GMM Example: After 20th Iteration

For each point, revising its proportions belonging to each of the K clusters



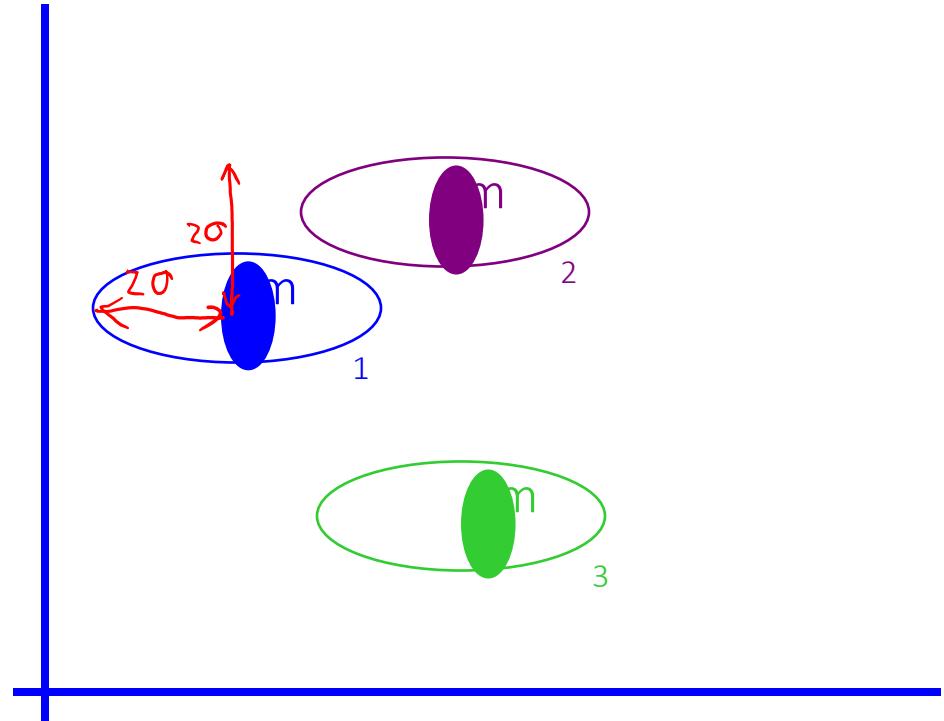
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# Recap: Gaussian Mixture Models



# The Simplest GMM assumption

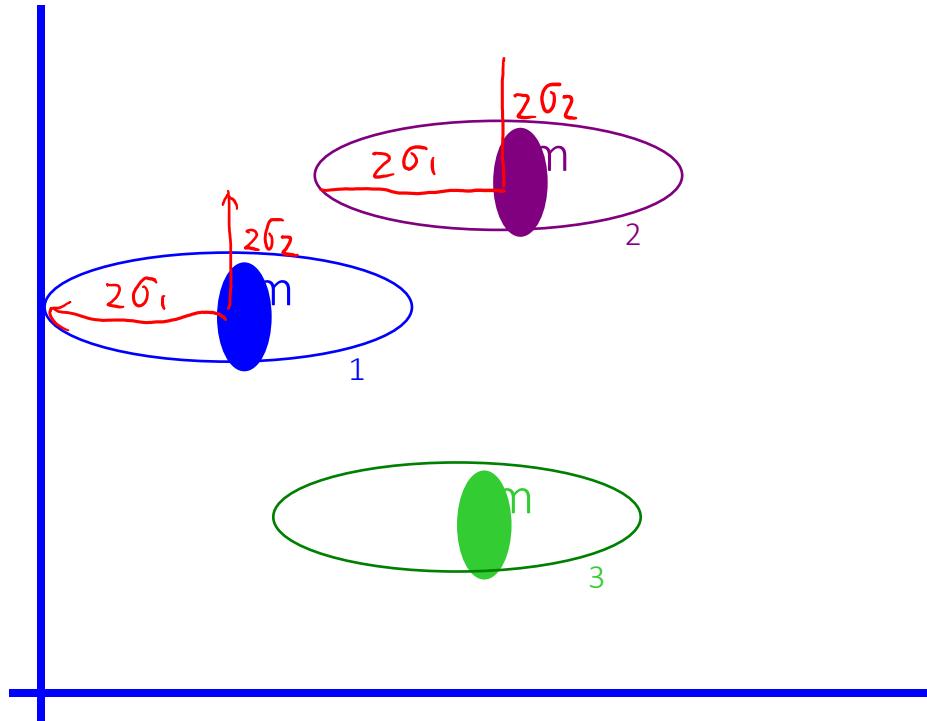
- Each component generates data from a Gaussian with
  - mean  $\mu_i$
  - Shared diagonal covariance matrix  $\sigma^2 I$



$$\Sigma_j = \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Another Simple GMM assumption

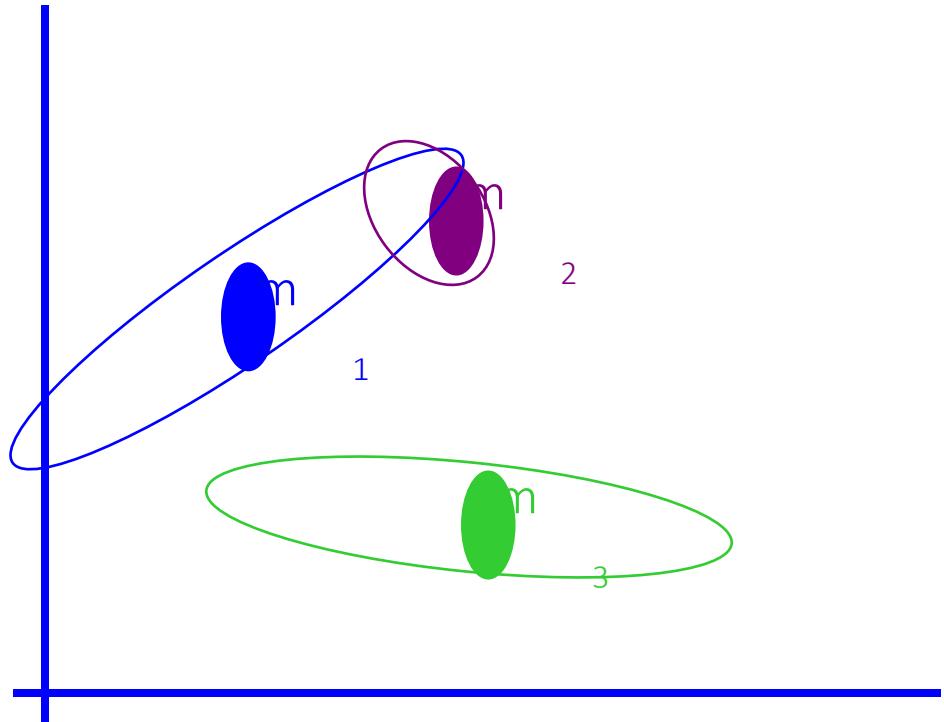
- Each component generates data from a Gaussian with
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  - Shared covariance matrix as diagonal matrix



$$\Sigma_j = \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

# The General GMM assumption

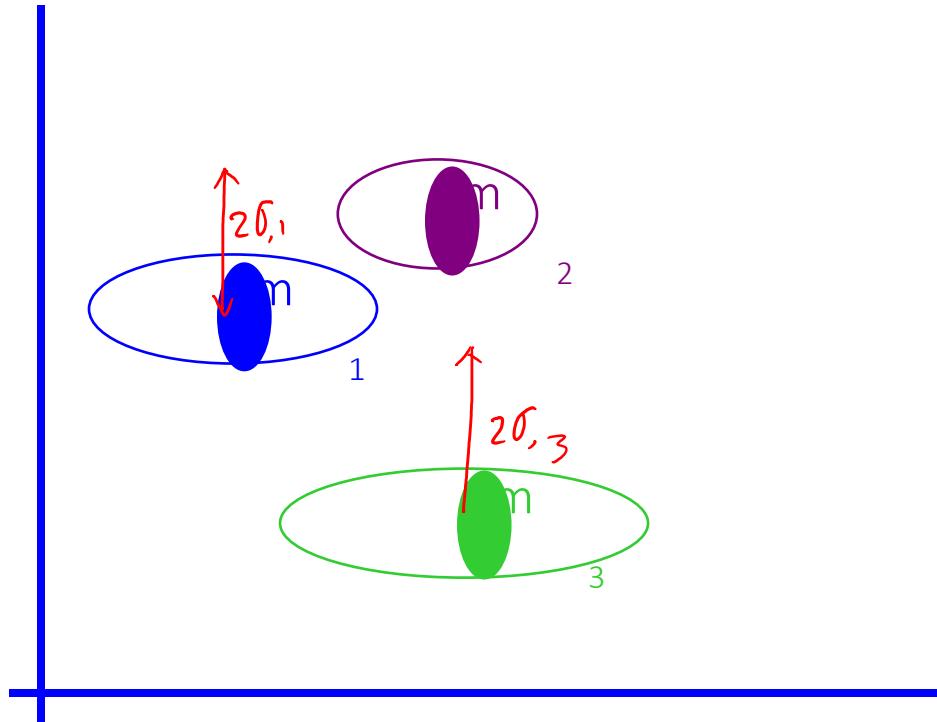
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  - covariance matrix  $\Sigma_i$



$$\Sigma_j = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{1j} & \text{Cov}_j(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) \\ \text{Cov}_j(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{x}) & \sigma_{2j} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Another Simple GMM assumption

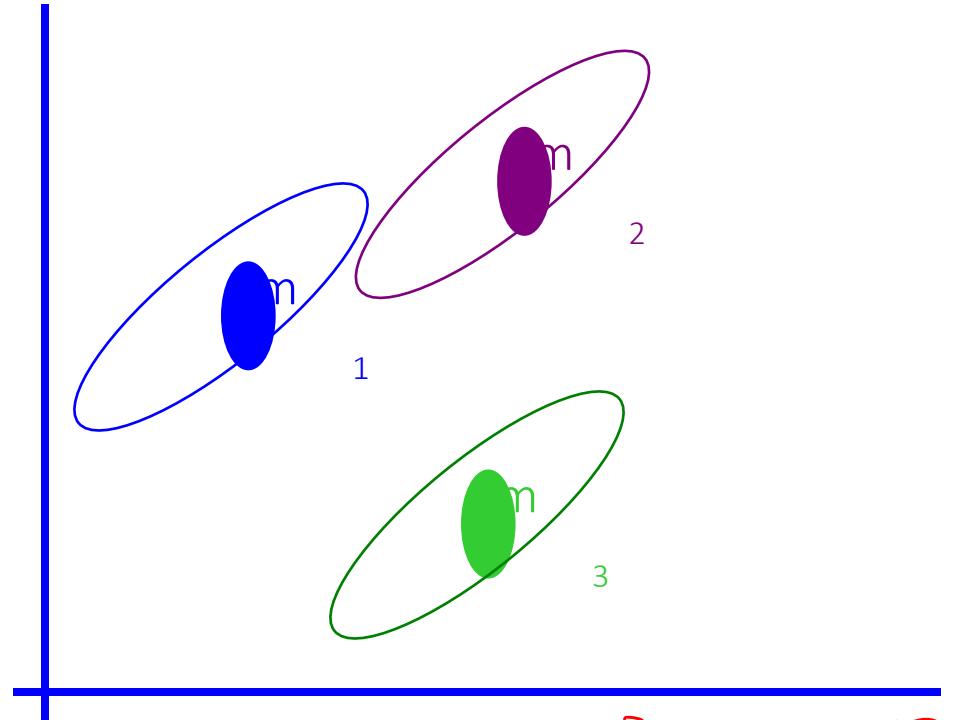
- Each component generates data from a Gaussian with
  - mean  $\mu_i$
  - Cluster-specific diagonal covariance matrix as  $\sigma_j^2 I$



$$\Sigma_j = \sigma_j^2 I = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_j^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_j^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

# A bit More General GMM assumption

- Each component generates data from a Gaussian with
  - mean  $\mu_i$
  - Shared covariance matrix as full matrix



$$\Sigma_j = \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \rho_{1,2} \\ \rho_{1,2} & \sigma_2^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Concrete Equations for Learning a Gaussian Mixture

( when assuming with known shared covariance )

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(\vec{x} = \vec{x}_i) &= \sum_{\mu_j} p(\vec{x} = \vec{x}_i, \vec{\mu} = \vec{\mu}_j) \\
 &= \sum_j p(\vec{\mu} = \vec{\mu}_j) p(\vec{x} = \vec{x}_i \mid \vec{\mu} = \vec{\mu}_j) \\
 &= \sum_j p(\vec{\mu} = \vec{\mu}_j) \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{p/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} (\vec{x}_i - \vec{\mu}_j)^T \Sigma^{-1} (\vec{x}_i - \vec{\mu}_j)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Assuming Known  
and Shared

# Learning a Gaussian Mixture

(when assuming with known shared covariance)

E-Step

$$\begin{aligned}
 E[z_{ij}] &= p(\vec{\mu} = \mu_j \mid x = x_i) \\
 &= \frac{p(x = x_i \mid \mu = \mu_j)p(\mu = \mu_j)}{\sum_{s=1}^k p(x = x_i \mid \mu = \mu_s)p(\mu = \mu_s)} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{p/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} (\vec{x}_i - \vec{\mu}_j)^T \Sigma^{-1} (\vec{x}_i - \vec{\mu}_j)} p(\mu = \mu_j)}{\sum_{s=1}^k \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{p/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} (\vec{x}_i - \vec{\mu}_s)^T \Sigma^{-1} (\vec{x}_i - \vec{\mu}_s)} p(\mu = \mu_s)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

*Bayes Rule*

*assignment. soft*

# E-step (vs. Assignment Step in K-means)

when assuming with known shared covariance

$$m_{ij} = \begin{cases} 0 \\ 1 \end{cases}$$

E-Step

Soft assignment

$$p(\mu = \mu_j | x = x_i)$$

How  $x_i$  belongs  
in proportion

to cluster  $\{1, 2, \dots, k\}$

vs.  $m_{ij}$  Hard  
assignment in  
K-means

$$E[z_{ij}] = p(\mu = \mu_j | x = x_i)$$

$$= \frac{p(x = x_i | \mu = \mu_j) p(\mu = \mu_j)}{\sum_{s=1}^k p(x = x_i | \mu = \mu_s) p(\mu = \mu_s)}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{p/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} (\vec{x} - \vec{\mu}_j)^T \Sigma^{-1} (\vec{x} - \vec{\mu}_j)}}{p(\mu = \mu_j)} \\ \frac{\sum_{s=1}^k \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{p/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} (\vec{x} - \vec{\mu}_s)^T \Sigma^{-1} (\vec{x} - \vec{\mu}_s)}}{p(\mu = \mu_s)}$$

# Learning a Gaussian Mixture

when assuming with known shared covariance

M-Step

$$\mu_j^{(t+1)} \leftarrow \frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^n E[z_{ij}]} \sum_{i=1}^n E[z_{ij}] x_i^{(t)}$$

$$p(\mu = \mu_j) \leftarrow \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n E[z_{ij}]^{(t)}$$

Covariance:  $\sum_j (j: 1 \text{ to } K)$  can also be derived in the M-step under a full setting

# M-step (vs. Centroid Step in K-means)

when assuming with known shared covariance

M-Step

$$\text{K mean} \Rightarrow \text{Centroid} = \frac{1}{N_j} \sum_{i=1}^n w_{ij} x_i$$

$$\mu_j^{(t+1)} \leftarrow \frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^n E[z_{ij}]} \sum_{i=1}^n E[z_{ij}] x_i$$

$\xrightarrow{\quad [0, 1] \quad}$

$$p(\mu = \mu_j) \leftarrow \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n E[z_{ij}] \sum_{j=1}^K E[z_{ij}] = 1$$

Covariance:  $\sum_j (j: 1 \text{ to } K)$  will also be derived in the M-step under a full setting

# M-step for Estimating unknown Covariance Matrix (more general, details in EM-Extra lecture)

$$\Sigma_j^{(t+1)} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n E[z_{ij}]^{(t)} (x_i - \mu_j^{(t+1)}) (x_i - \mu_j^{(t+1)})^T}{\sum_{i=1}^n E[z_{ij}]^{(t)}}$$

for small TrainSet  
too many parameters  
to estimate

$$j = 1, \dots, K$$

$$\Sigma_j \Rightarrow O(K^2 |z|)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n E[z_{ij}]^{(t)}$$

$$\Sigma_j \leftarrow O(KP^2/2)$$

$$\mu_j \leftarrow O(KP + K)$$

$$E(z_{ij}) \leftarrow O(Kn)$$

# Recap: Expectation-Maximization for training GMM

- Start:
  - "Guess" the centroid and covariance for each of the K clusters
  - “Guess” the proportion of clusters, e.g., uniform prob 1/K
- Loop
  - For each point, revising its proportions belonging to each of the K clusters
  - For each cluster, revising both the mean (centroid position) and covariance (shape)

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# Recap: K-means iterative learning

$$\arg \min_{\{\vec{C}_j, m_{i,j}\}} \sum_{j=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^n m_{i,j} (\vec{x}_i - \vec{C}_j)^2$$

Memberships  $\{m_{i,j}\}$  and centers  $\{C_j\}$  are correlated.

E-Step      Given centers  $\{\vec{C}_j\}$ ,  $m_{i,j} = \begin{cases} 1 & j = \arg \min_k (\vec{x}_i - \vec{C}_j)^2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

M-Step      Given memberships  $\{m_{i,j}\}$ ,  $\vec{C}_j = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n m_{i,j} \vec{x}_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n m_{i,j}}$

# Compare: K-means

- The EM algorithm for mixtures of Gaussians is like a "**soft version**" of the K-means algorithm.
- In the K-means “E-step” we do hard assignment:
- In the K-means “M-step” we update the means as the weighted sum of the data, but now the weights are 0 or 1:

$$\text{K-means: } \arg \min_{\{\vec{C}_j, m_{i,j}\}} \sum_{j=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^n m_{i,j} (\vec{x}_i - \vec{C}_j)^2$$

$\vec{C}_j$      $m_{i,j}$

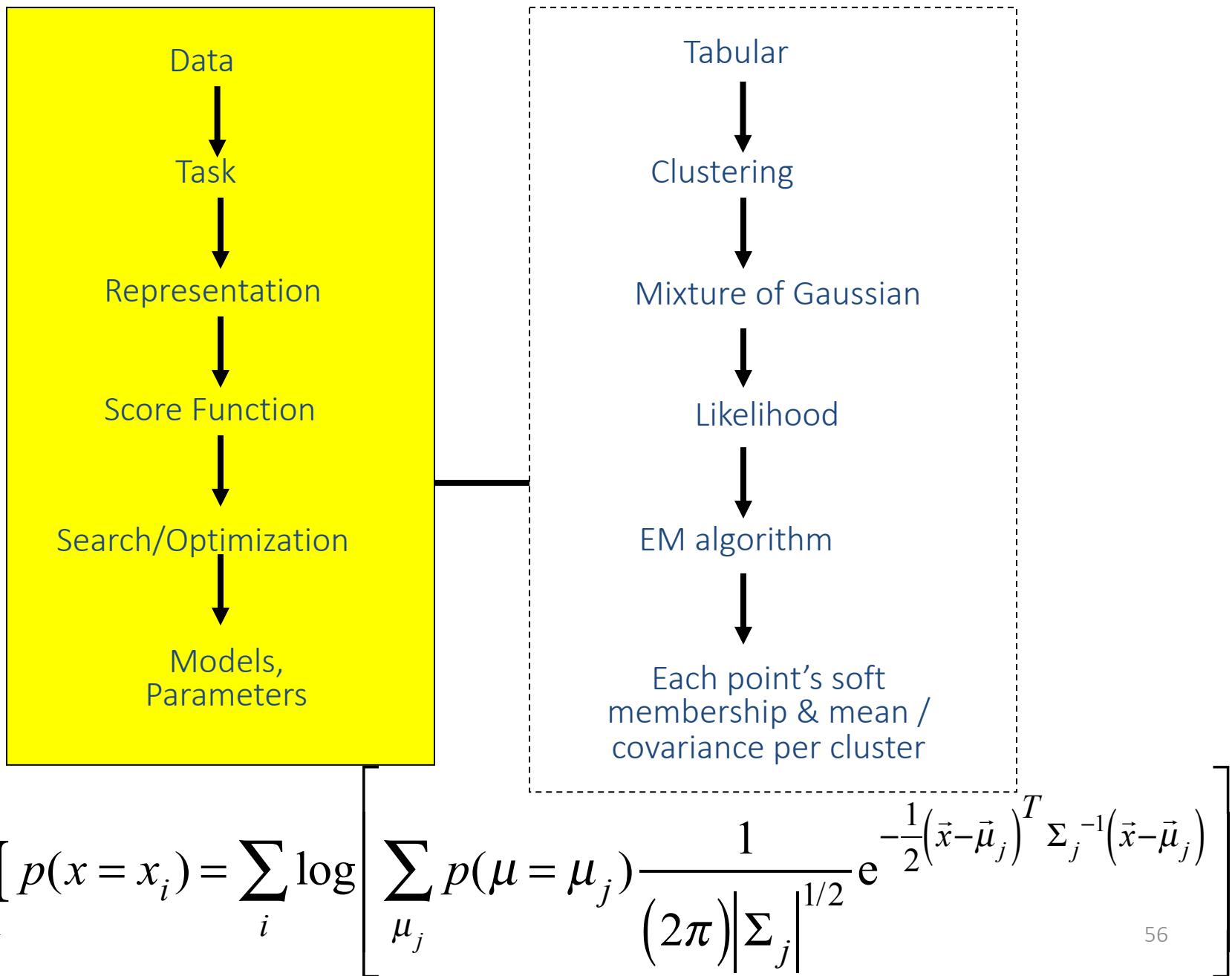
$$m_{ij} = \begin{cases} 0 \\ 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{GMM: } \sum_i \log \prod_{i=1}^n p(x=x_i) = \sum_i \log \left[ \sum_{j=1}^K p(\mu=\mu_j) \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{1/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} (\vec{x}-\vec{\mu}_j)^T \Sigma^{-1} (\vec{x}-\vec{\mu}_j)} \right]$$

- K-Mean only detect spherical clusters.
- GMM can adjust its self to elliptic shape clusters.

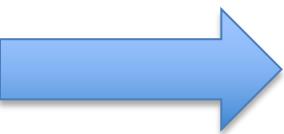
### (3) GMM Clustering

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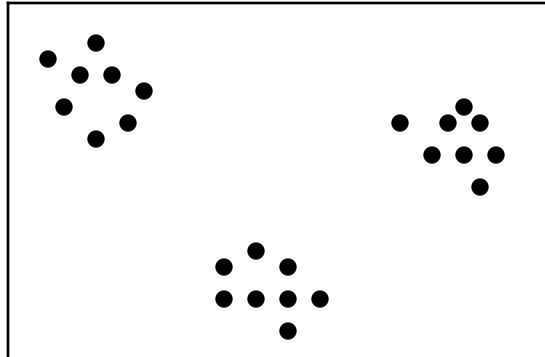


# Partitional : Gaussian Mixture Model

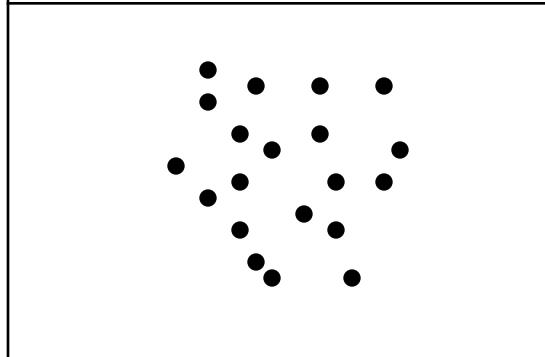
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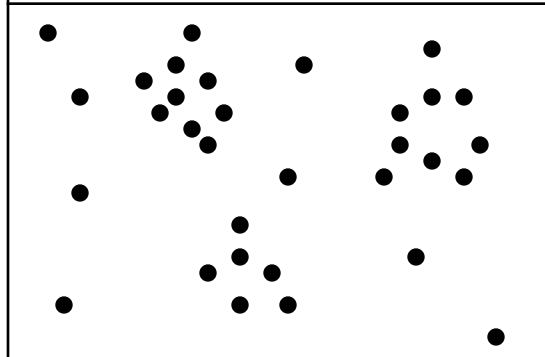
# Unsupervised Learning: not as hard as it looks



Sometimes easy



Sometimes impossible



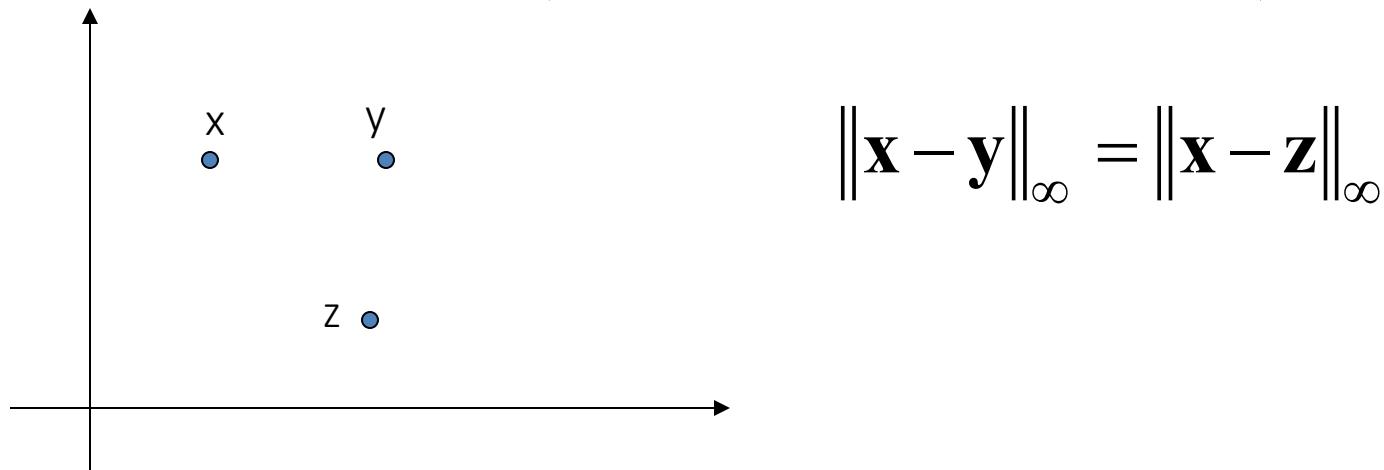
and sometimes  
between

# Problems (I)

- Both k-means and mixture models need to compute centers of clusters and explicit distance measurement
  - Given strange distance measurement, the center of clusters can be hard to compute

E.g.,

$$\|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'\|_{\infty} = \max(|x_1 - x'_1|, |x_2 - x'_2|, \dots, |x_p - x'_p|)$$

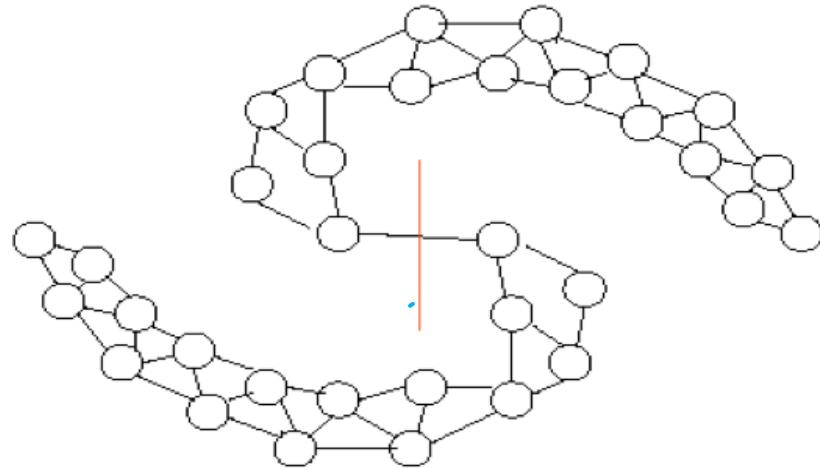
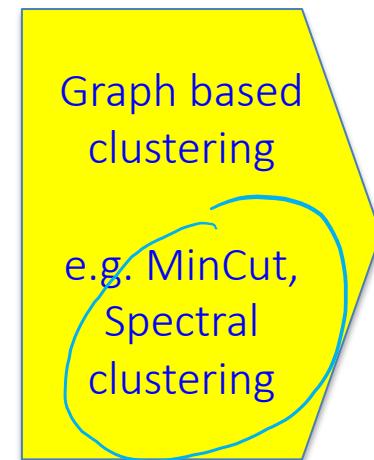


# Problem (II)

tight



- Both k-means and mixture models look for compact clustering structures
  - In some cases, connected clustering structures are more desirable



# e.g. Image Segmentation through minCut



(a)



(b)



(c)



(d)



(e)



(f)



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