

Artificial Intelligence

— — Partitional and Density-based Clustering



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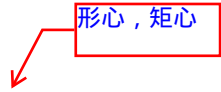
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Clustering

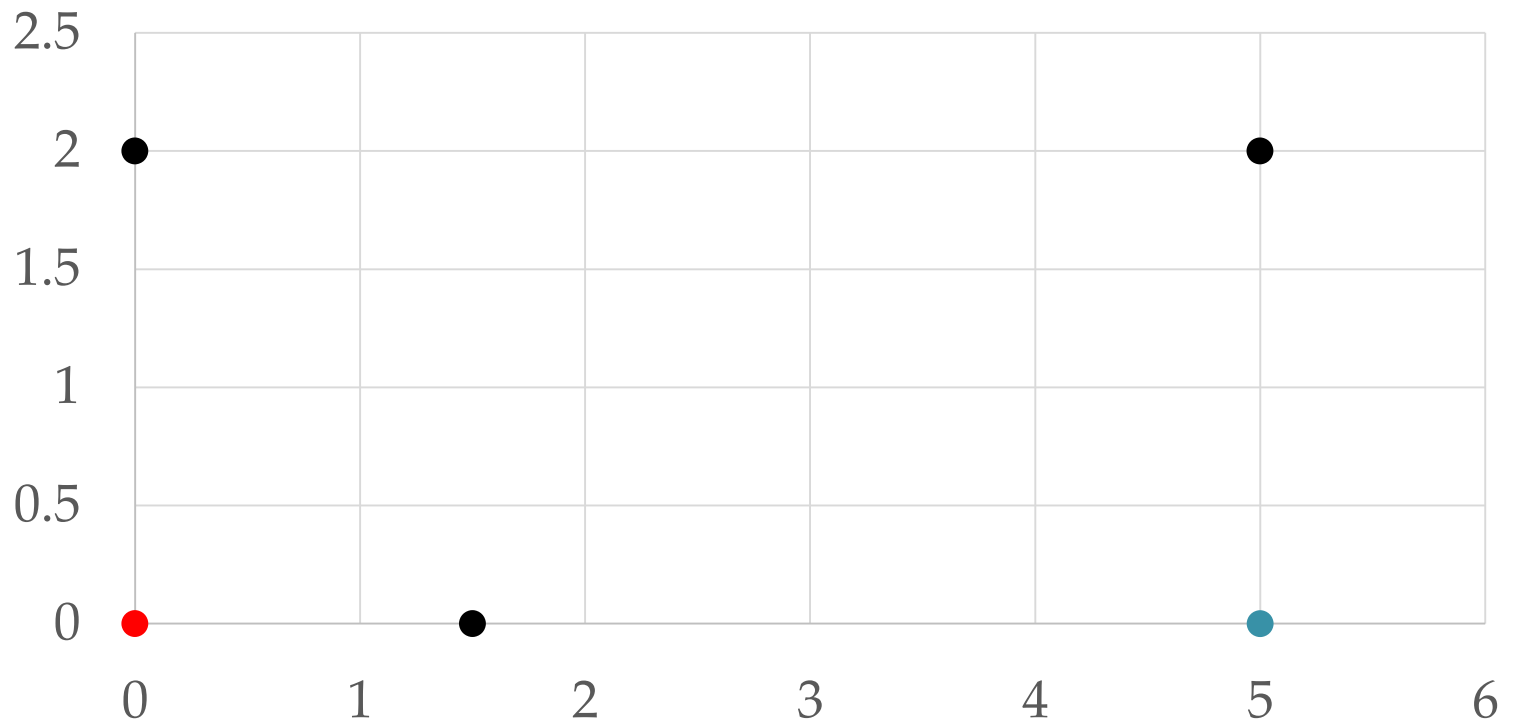
- **Task** : Evolve measures of similarity to **cluster** a collection of documents/terms into groups within which **similarity** within a cluster is larger than across clusters.
 - 设计
 - 程度
- **Cluster Hypothesis**: Given a 'suitable' clustering of a collection, if the user is interested in document/term d/t , he is likely to be interested in other members of the cluster to which d/t belongs.
 - 注释
- **Similarity measures**
 - Represent documents by vectors
 - Distance between document vectors
 - Cosine of angle between document vectors
- **Issues**
 - Large number of noisy dimensions
 - 规模
 - Notion of noise is application dependent
 - 概念

Partitional Clustering

- k -Means: Repeat...
 - Choose k arbitrary '**centroids**'

 - Assign each document to nearest centroid
 - Re-compute centroids
- Example of k -Means (划分法)
 - $x_1 = (0, 2)$, $x_2 = (0, 0)$, $x_3 = (1.5, 0)$, $x_4 = (5, 0)$,
 $x_5 = (5, 2)$
 - $k = 2$

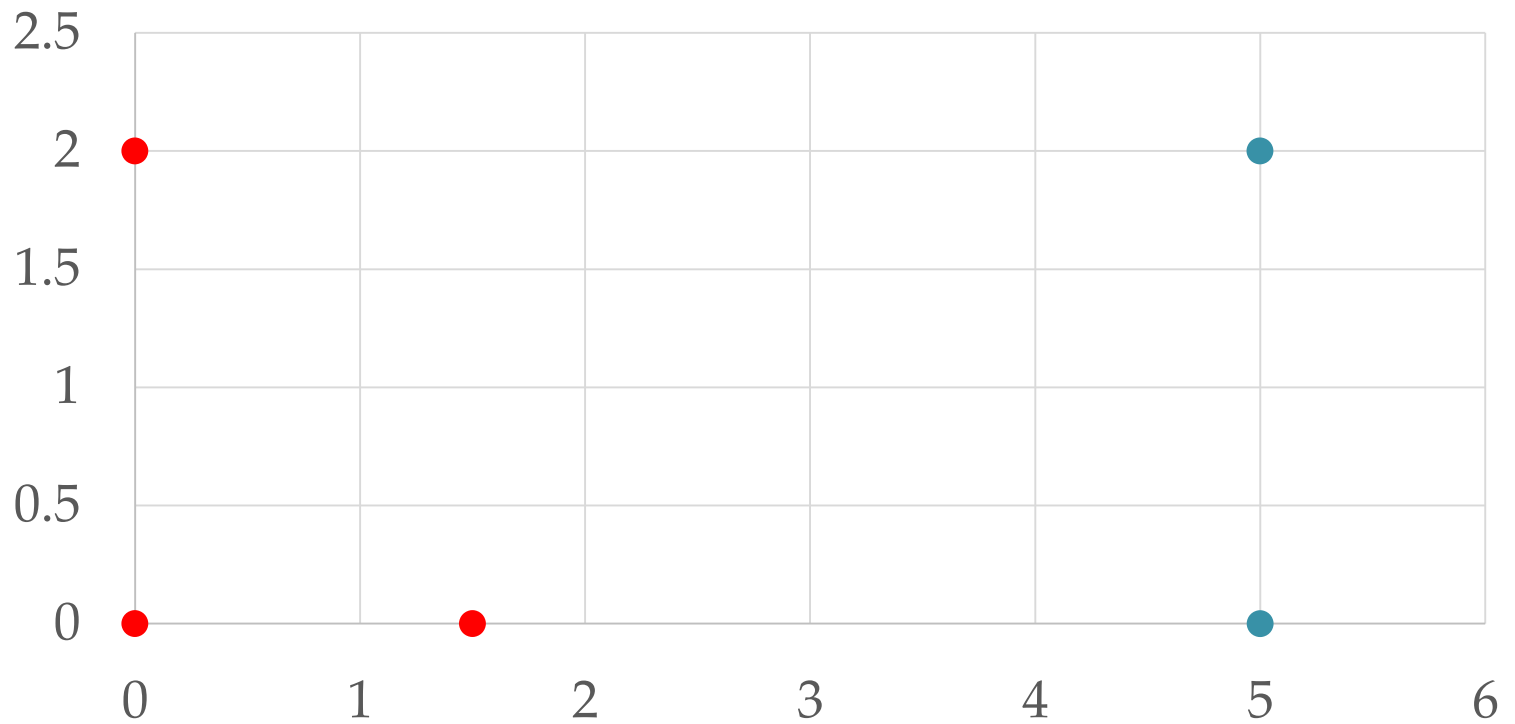
k-Means

Step 1: Choose 2 centroids



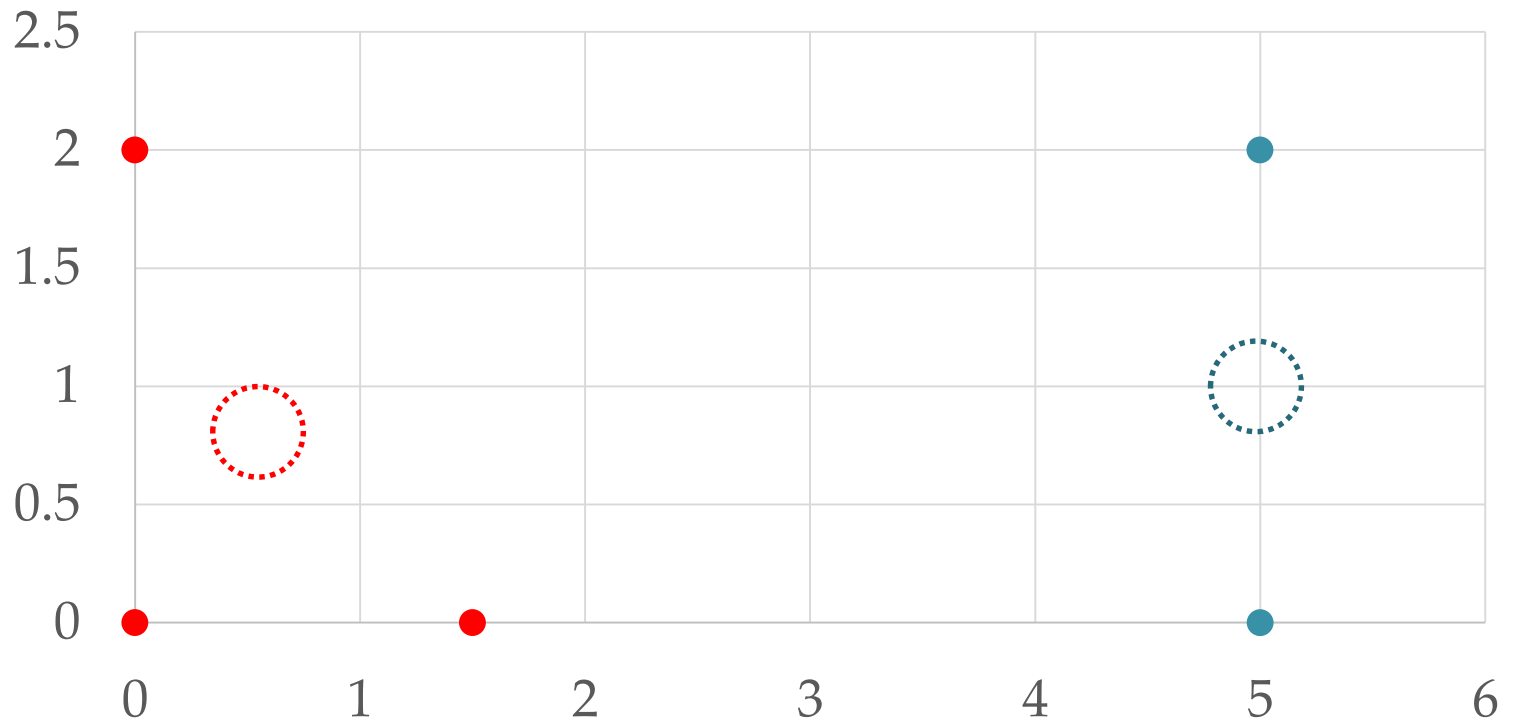
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Step 2: Assign objects to nearest centroid



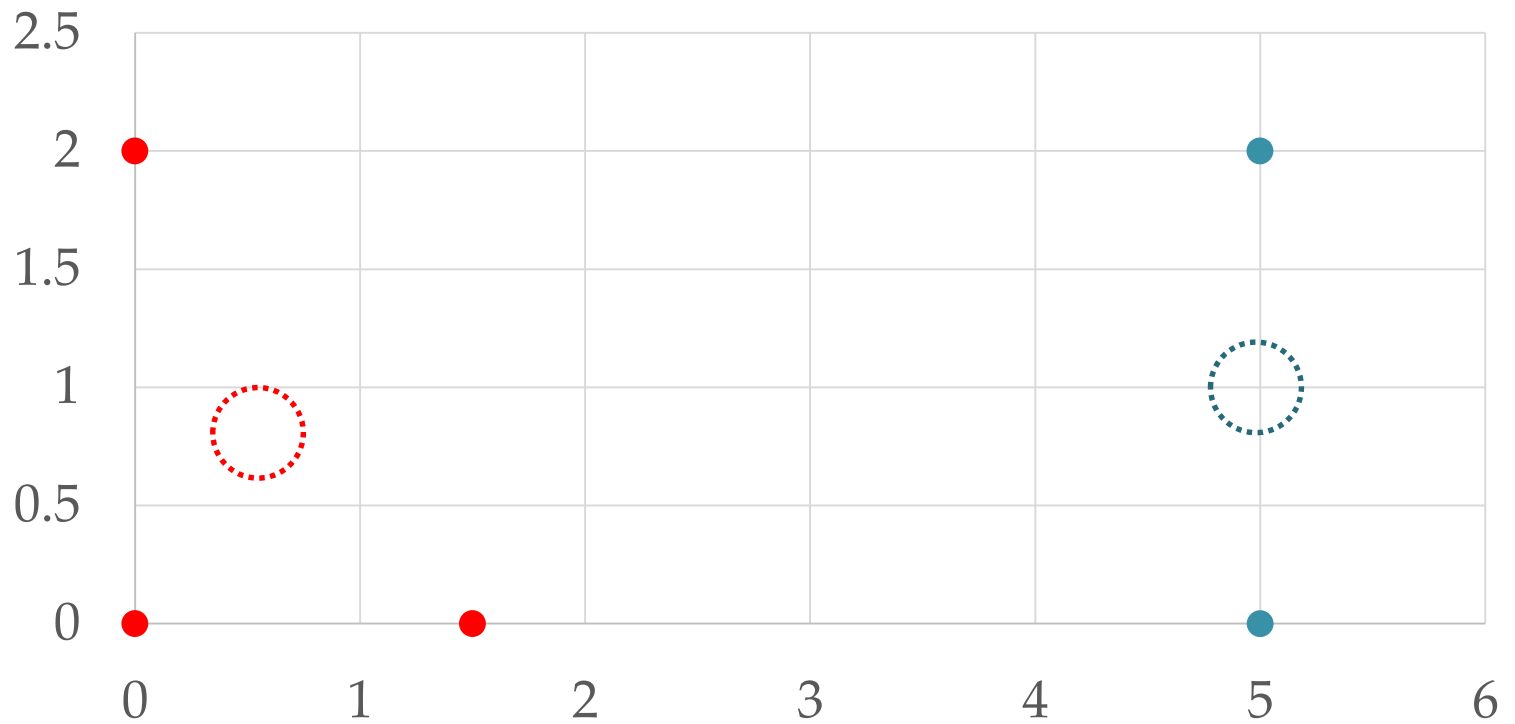
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Step 3: Re-compute centroids



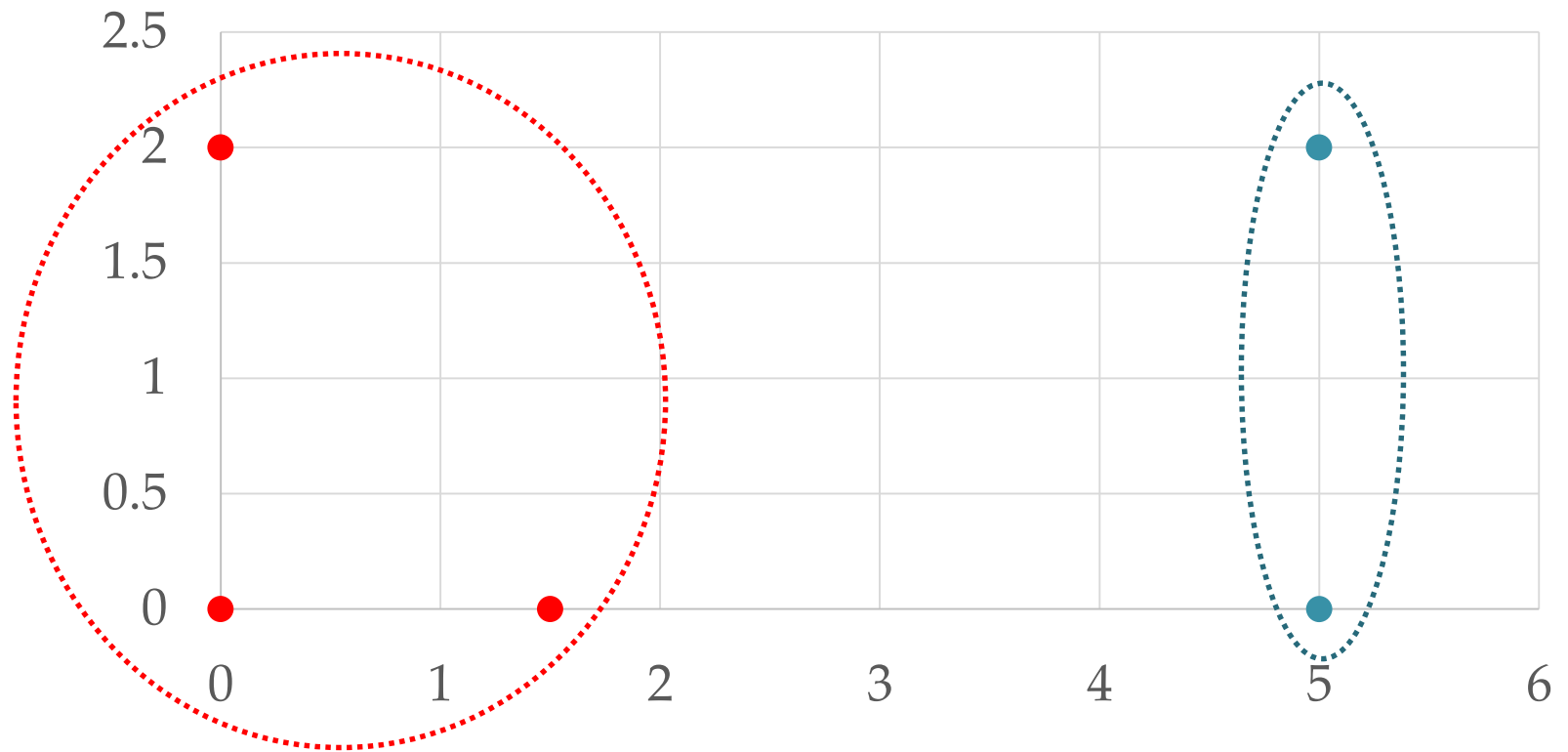
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Step 4: Assign objects to nearest centroid



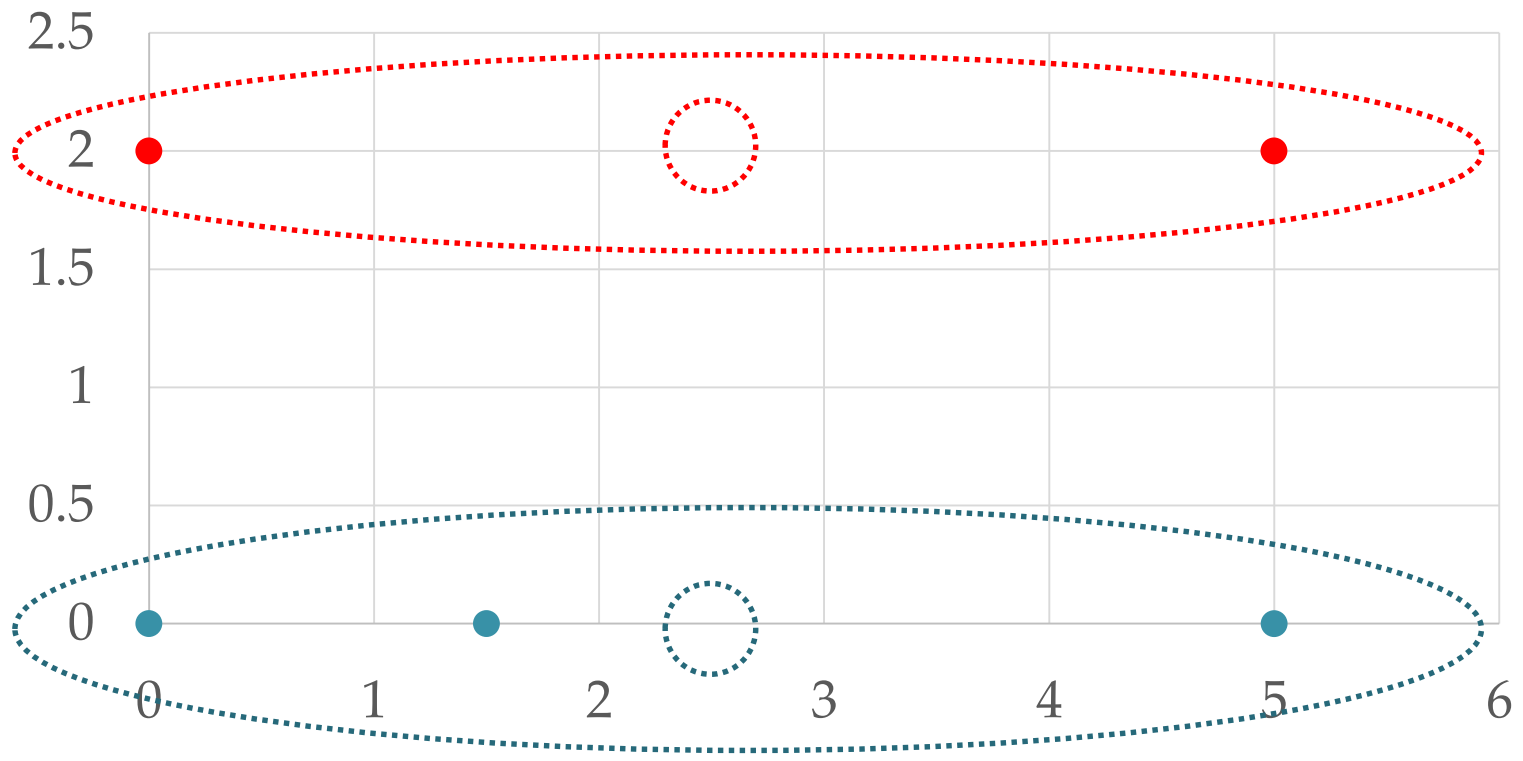
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Step 5: Converged




k -Means

Another converged solution



k -Means: Choosing k

- Mostly problem driven
- Could be 'data driven' only when either
 - Data is not sparse 
 - Measurement dimensions are not too noisy

Density-based Clustering

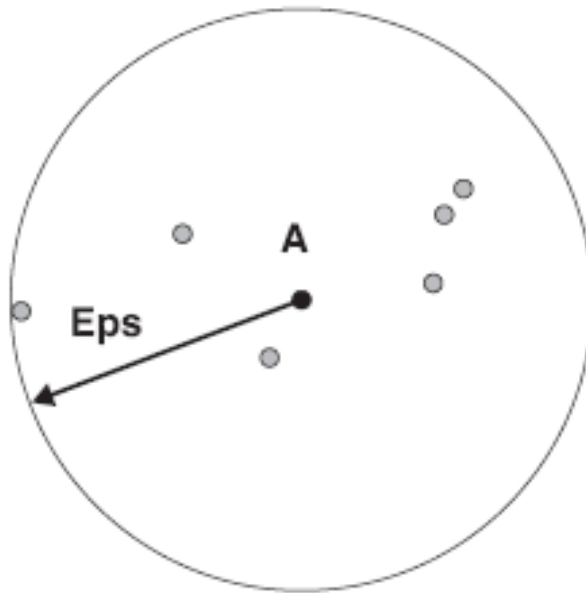
- Density-based clustering locates regions of high density that are separated from one another by regions of low density.
- DBSCAN (Density-Based Spatial Clustering of Applications with Noise) is a simple and effective density-based clustering (基于密度的聚类) algorithm.

DBSCAN

- For DBSCAN, we need to estimate the density (密度) for a particular point in the data set.
- This is performed by counting the number of points within or at a specified radius, Eps, of that point.
- The count includes the point itself.

DBSCAN



- This technique is illustrated in the following figure.
- The number of points within or at a radius of Eps of point A is 7, including A itself.



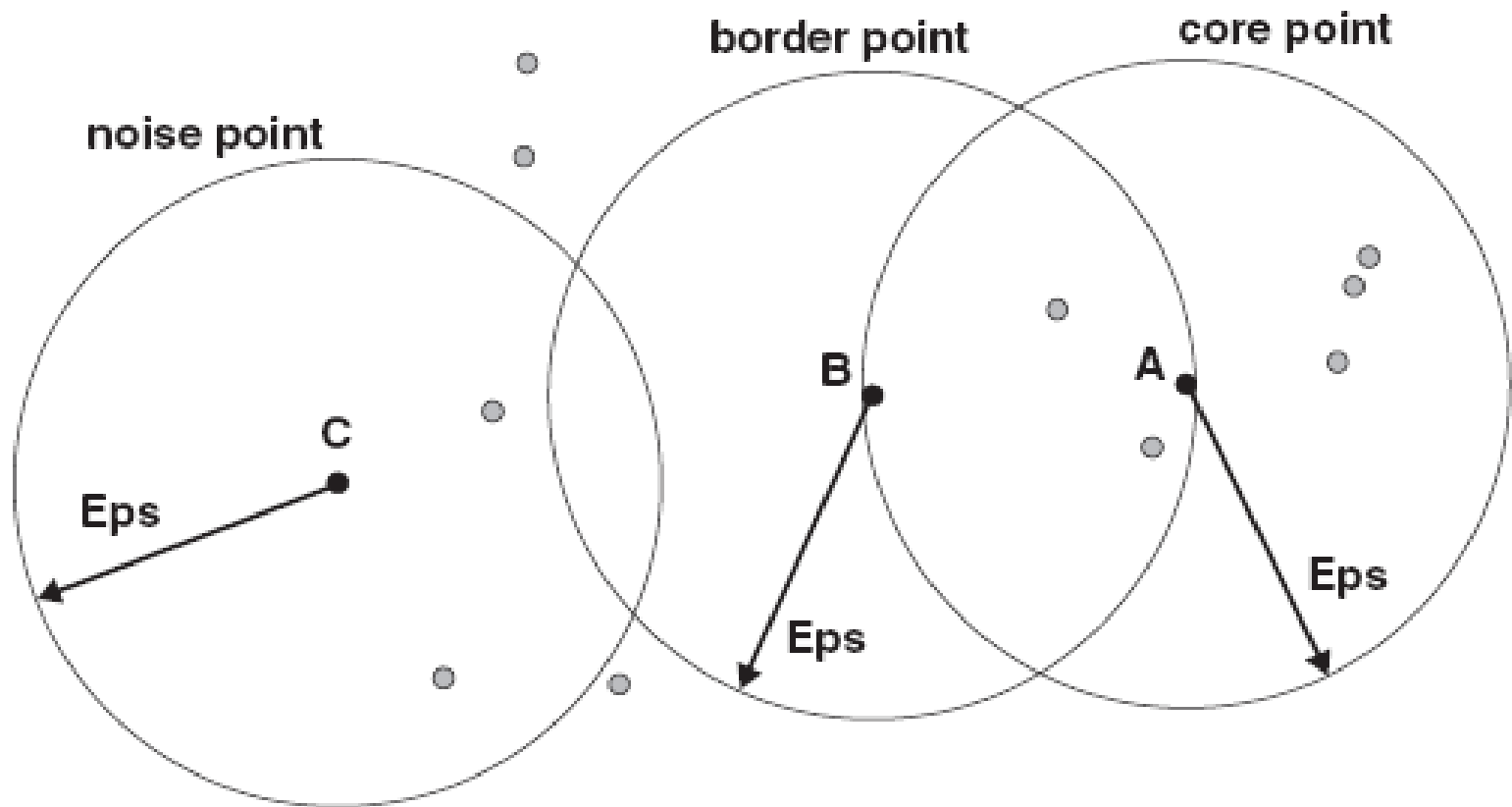
DBSCAN

- The density of any point will depend on the specified radius.
- Suppose the number of points in the data set is m .
- If the radius is large enough, then all points will have a density of m .
- If the radius is too small, then all points will have a density of 1.

DBSCAN

- We need to classify a point as being
 - In the interior of a dense region (a **core** point, 核心点).
 - At the edge of a dense region (a **border** point, 边界点)
 - In a sparsely occupied region (a **noise** or background point, 噪音点).
- The concepts of core, border and noise points are illustrated as follows.

DBSCAN



DBSCAN

- Core points are in the interior of a density-based cluster.
- A point is a core point if the number of points within or at the boundary of a given neighborhood of the point is greater than or equal to a certain threshold **MinPts**.
- The size of the neighborhood is determined by the distance function and a user-specified distance parameter, **Eps**.
- The threshold **MinPts** is also a user-specified parameter.
- In the above figure, A is a core point for the indicated radius (Eps) if MinPts=7.

DBSCAN

- A border point is not a core point, but falls within or at the boundary of the neighborhood of a core point.
- In the above figure, B is a border point.
- A border point can fall within the neighborhoods of several core points.
- A noise point is any point that is neither a core point nor a border point.
- In the above figure, C is a noise point.

DBSCAN

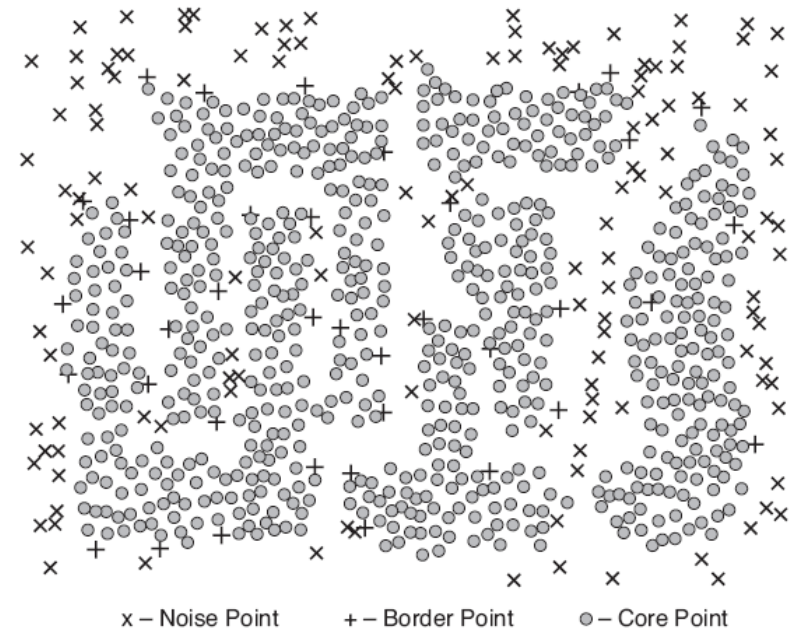
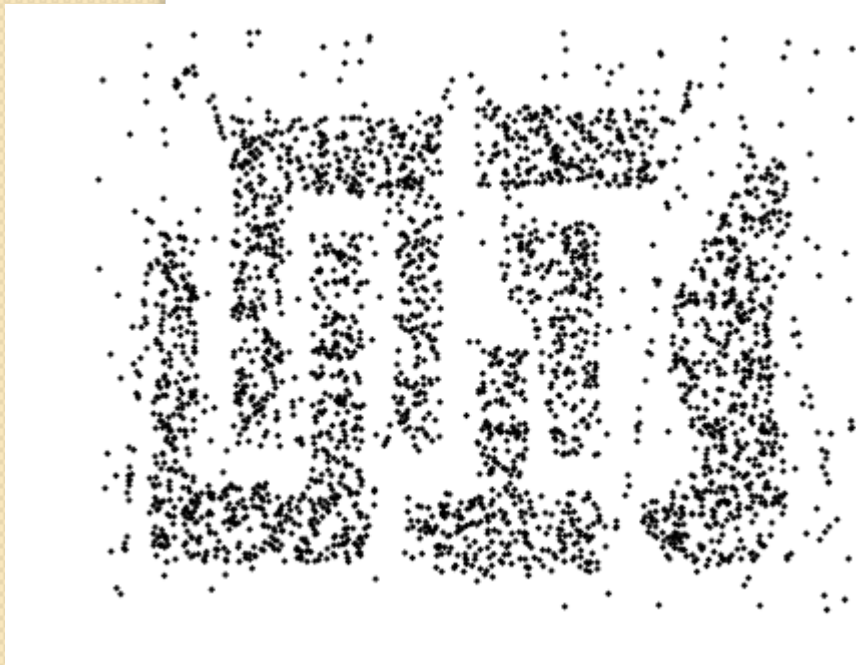
- The DBSCAN can be summarized as follows:
 - If all points have been processed, stop.
 - For a particular point which has not been previously processed, check whether it is a core point or not.
 - If it is not a core point
 - Label it as a noise point (This label may change later).
 - If it is a core point, label the point and
 - Form a new cluster C_{new} using this point and include all points within or at the boundary of its Eps-neighborhood in the cluster.
 - Insert all these neighboring points into a queue.
 - While the queue is not empty,
 - Remove the first point from the queue
 - If this point is not a core point, label it as a border point.
 - If this point is a core point, label it and check every point in its neighborhood which was not previously assigned to a cluster. For each of these unassigned neighboring points,
 - Assign the point to the current cluster C_{new}
 - Insert the point into the queue.

DBSCAN

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- The left figure on the next slide shows a sample data set with 3000 2-D points.
- The right figure shows the resulting clusters found by DBSCAN.
- The core points, border points and noise points are also displayed.

DBSCAN



x – Noise Point + – Border Point o – Core Point

DBSCAN

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- DBSCAN is relatively resistant to noise and can handle clusters of arbitrary shapes and sizes.
- As a result, it can find many clusters that cannot be found using k -Means.

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