

Kernel Methods, Divergence and Independence Measures, Hypothesis Testing

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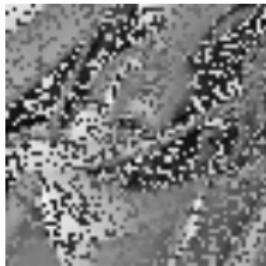
Outline

- Applications:
 - Information theoretical objectives.
 - Testing.
- Classical information theory: $\mathbb{R}^d \xrightarrow{\text{diverse set of domains}}$
- Kernels, RKHS:
 - Linear → non-linear techniques.
 - Classification, regression, dimensionality reduction.
 - KCCA, MMD, HSIC.
- Hypothesis testing.

Information Theoretical Objectives

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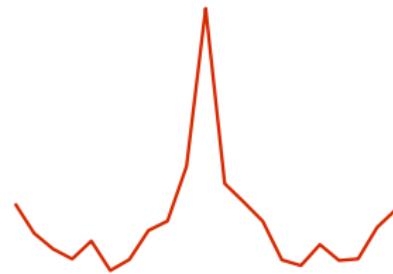
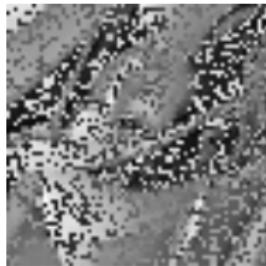
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Outlier-robust image registration: equations

- Reference image: \mathbf{y}_{ref} ,
- test image: \mathbf{y}_{test} ,
- possible transformations: Θ .

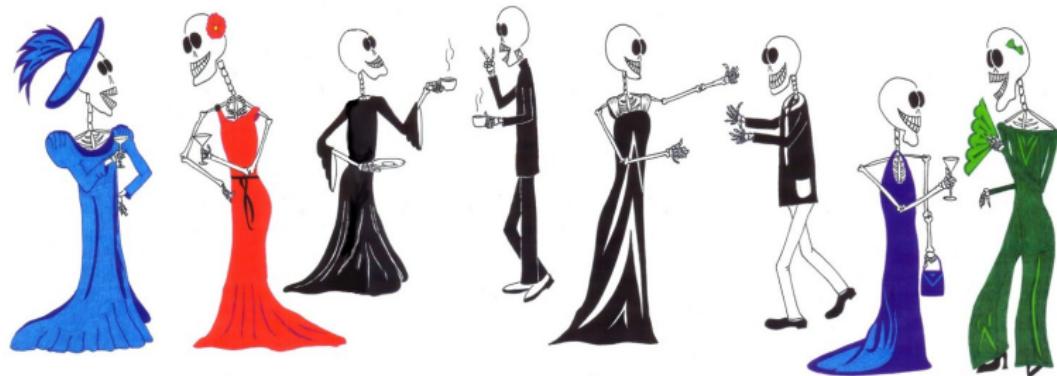
Objective:

$$J(\theta) = \underbrace{I(\mathbf{y}_{\text{ref}}, \mathbf{y}_{\text{test}}(\theta))}_{\text{similarity}} \rightarrow \max_{\theta \in \Theta} .$$

In the example: $I=KCCA$.

Cocktail party problem:

- independent groups of people / music bands,
- observation = mixed sources.



ISA equations

Observation:

$$\mathbf{x}_t = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{s}_t, \quad \mathbf{s} = [\mathbf{s}^1; \dots; \mathbf{s}^M].$$

Goal: $\hat{\mathbf{s}}$ from $\{\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T\}$. Assumptions:

- independent groups: $\mathbf{I}(\mathbf{s}^1, \dots, \mathbf{s}^M) = 0$,
- \mathbf{s}^m -s: non-Gaussian,
- \mathbf{A} : invertible.

Find \mathbf{W} which makes the estimated components independent:

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{Wx} = \left[\mathbf{y}^1; \dots; \mathbf{y}^M \right],$$
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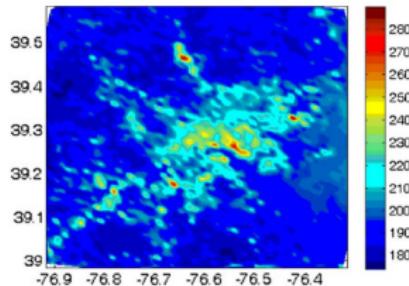
Distribution regression

[Póczos et al., 2013, Szabó et al., 2016]. Sustainability

- **Goal:** aerosol prediction = air pollution → climate.



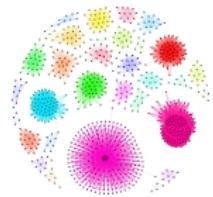
- Prediction using labelled bags:
 - bag := multi-spectral satellite measurements over an area,
 - label := local aerosol value.



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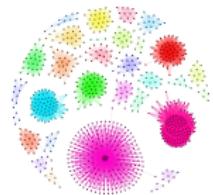


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Inner product of distributions

$$K(\mu_{\hat{\mathbb{P}}_i}, \mu_{\hat{\mathbb{P}}_j}) = ?$$

Feature selection

- **Goal:** find
 - the feature subset (# of rooms, criminal rate, local taxes)
 - most relevant for house price prediction (y).



Feature selection: equations

- Features: x^1, \dots, x^F . Subset: $S \subseteq \{1, \dots, F\}$.
- MaxRelevance - MinRedundancy principle [Peng et al., 2005]:

$$J(S) = \frac{1}{|S|} \sum_{i \in S} I(x^i, y) - \frac{1}{|S|^2} \sum_{i, j \in S} I(x^i, x^j) \rightarrow \max_{S \subseteq \{1, \dots, F\}} .$$

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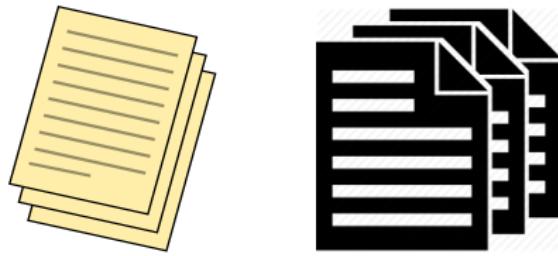
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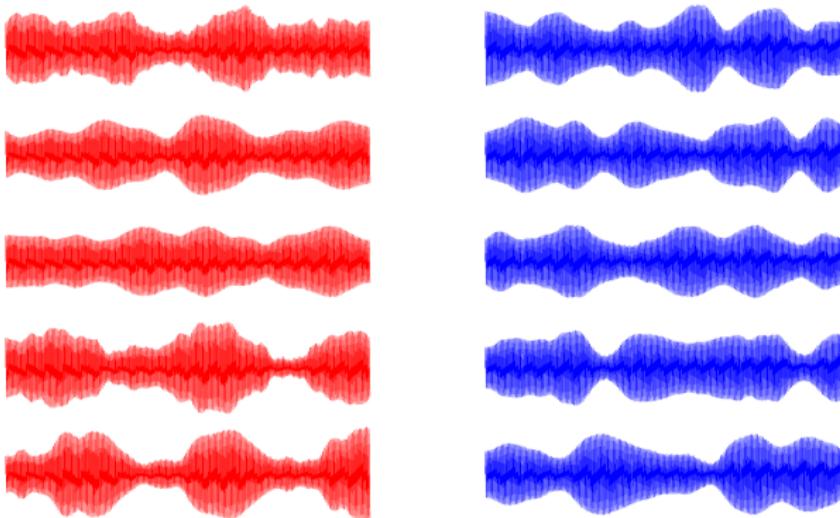
Example-2 (2-sample testing): computer vision



- Given: two sets of faces (happy, angry).
- Task:
 - check if they are different,
 - determine the most discriminative features/regions.

Example-3 (2-sample testing): audio

- Amplitude modulation:
 - simple technique to transmit voice over radio.
 - in the example: 2 songs.
- Fragments from song₁ ~ \mathbb{P}_x , song₂ ~ \mathbb{P}_y .



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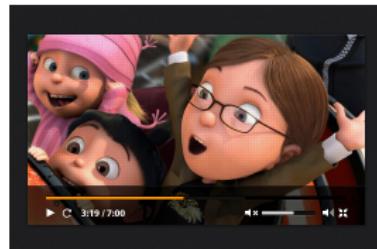


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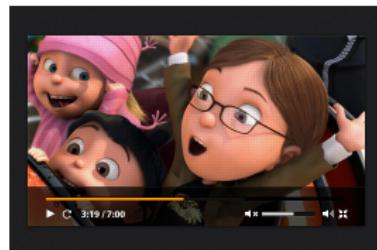


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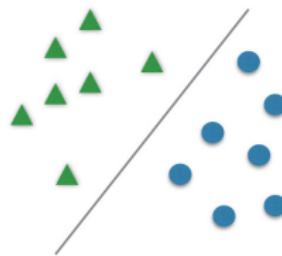
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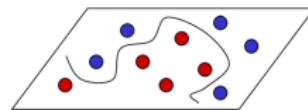
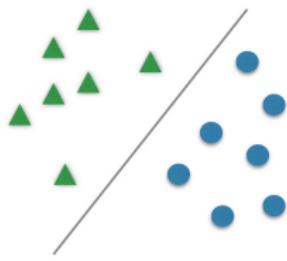
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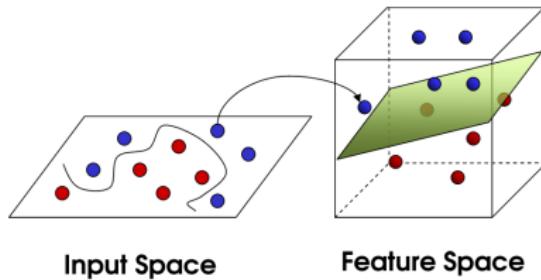
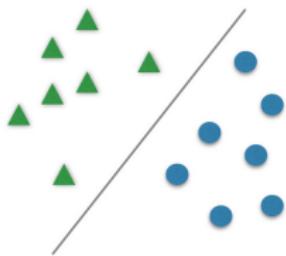


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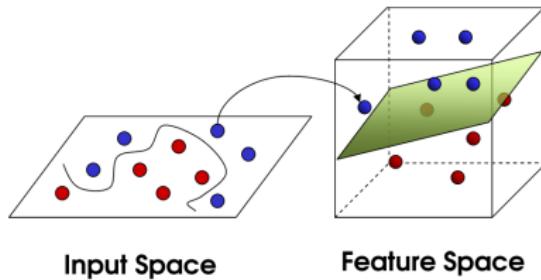
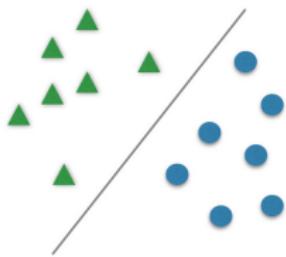
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Trick

φ : on any kernel-endowed domain!

- **Trees** [Collins and Duffy, 2001, Kashima and Koyanagi, 2002], **time series** [Cuturi, 2011], **strings** [Lodhi et al., 2002],
- **mixture models**, **hidden Markov models** or **linear dynamical systems** [Jebara et al., 2004],
- **sets** [Haussler, 1999, Gärtner et al., 2002], **fuzzy domains** [Guevara et al., 2017], **distributions** [Hein and Bousquet, 2005, Martins et al., 2009, Muandet et al., 2011],
- **groups** [Cuturi et al., 2005] $\xrightarrow{\text{spec.}}$ **permutations** [Jiao and Vert, 2016],
- **graphs** [Vishwanathan et al., 2010, Kondor and Pan, 2016].

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- Applications:
 - two-sample testing [Borgwardt et al., 2006, Gretton et al., 2012],
 - domain adaptation [Zhang et al., 2013], -generalization [Blanchard et al., 2017],
 - kernel Bayesian inference [Song et al., 2011, Fukumizu et al., 2013]
 - approximate Bayesian computation [Park et al., 2016], probabilistic programming [Schölkopf et al., 2015],
 - model criticism [Lloyd et al., 2014, Kim et al., 2016], goodness-of-fit [Balasubramanian et al., 2017],
 - distribution classification [Muandet et al., 2011, Lopez-Paz et al., 2015], [Zaheer et al., 2017], distribution regression [Szabó et al., 2016], [Law et al., 2018],
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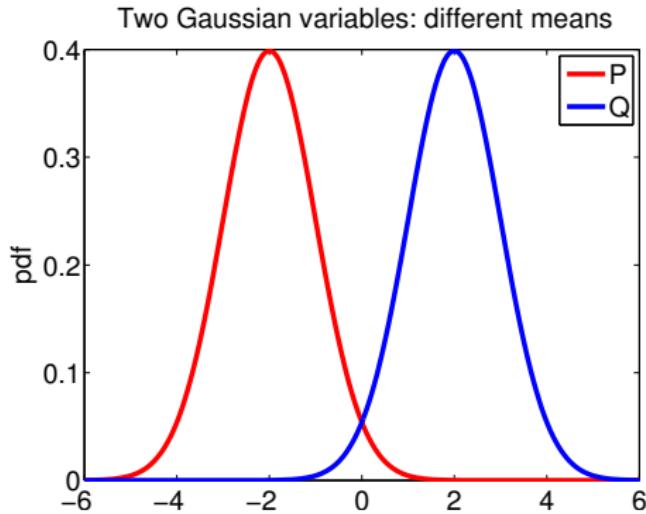
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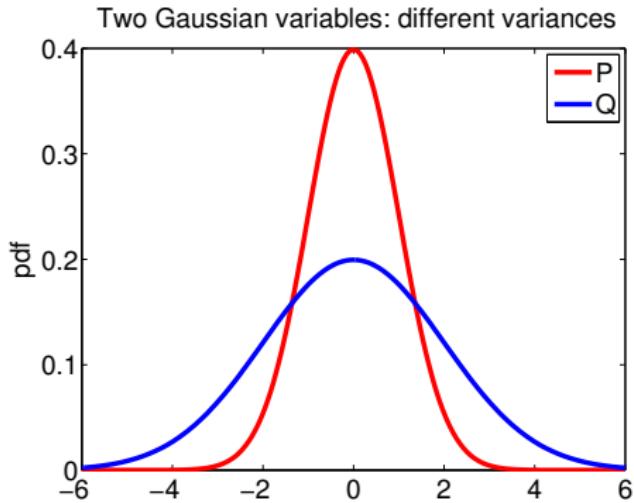
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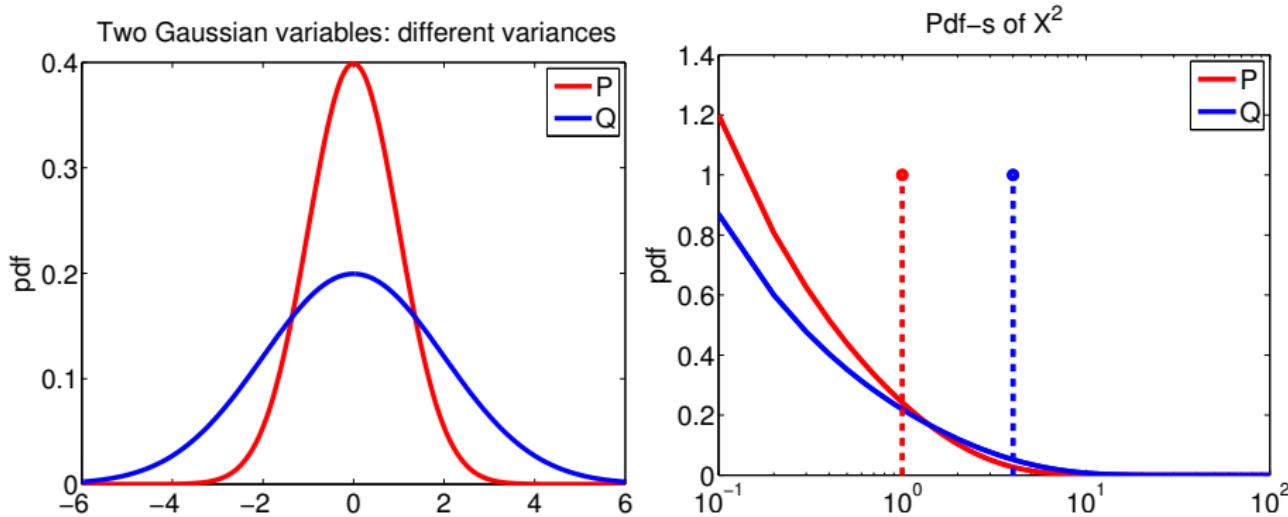
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- Idea: look at the 2nd-order features of RVs.



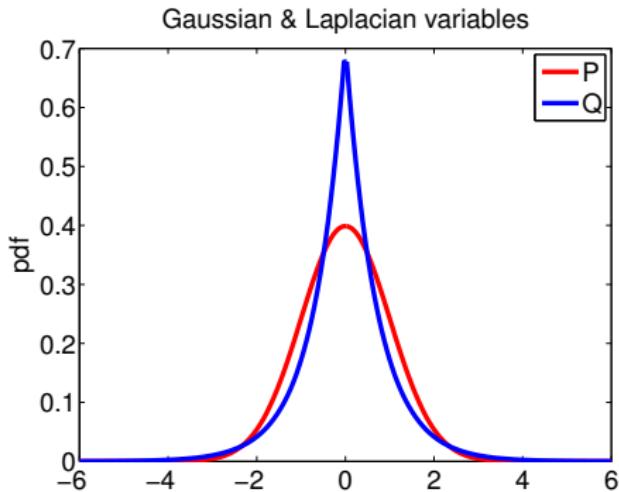
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Kernel examples on \mathbb{R}^d ($\gamma > 0, p \in \mathbb{Z}^+$)

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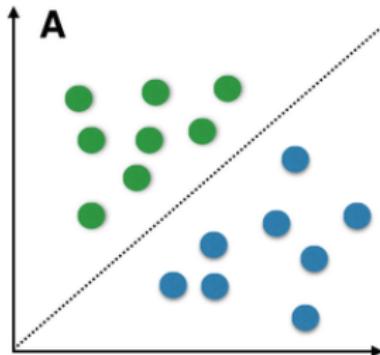
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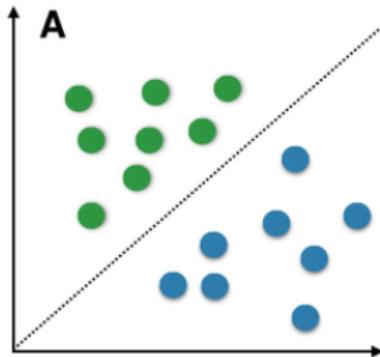


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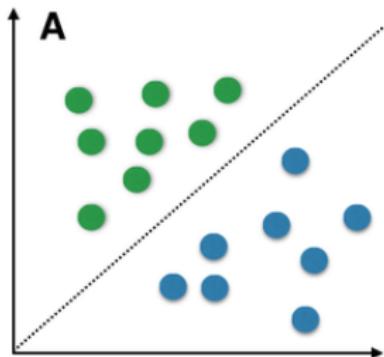
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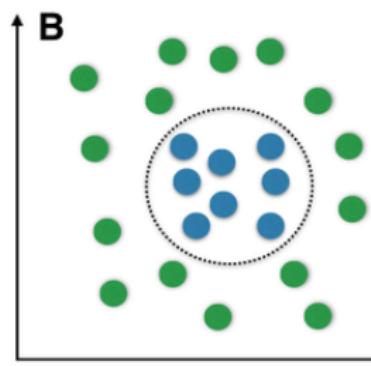
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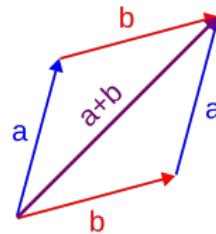
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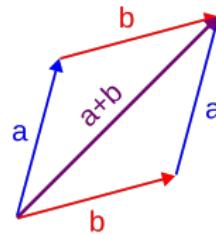
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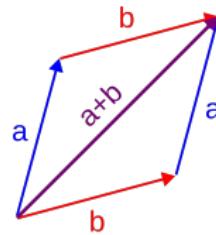


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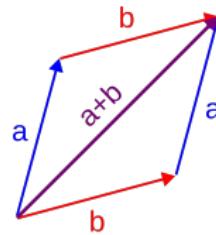


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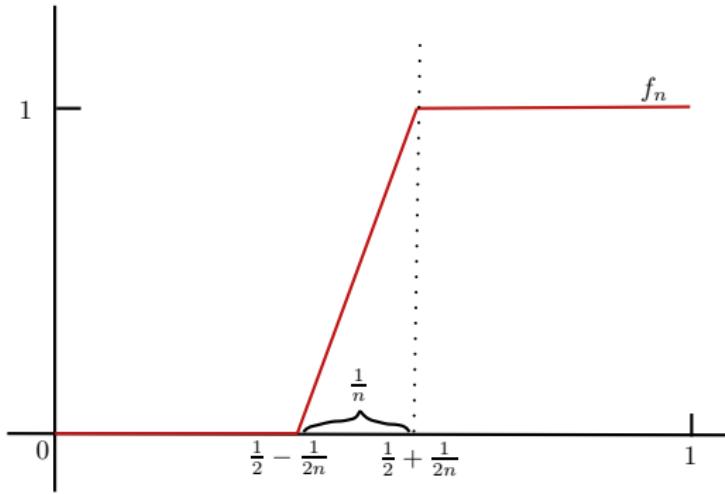
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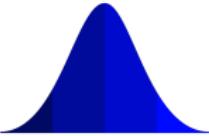
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Kernel factory: \mathbb{R}^d & Bochner theorem

We focus on continuous bounded shift-invariant kernels:

Theorem (Bochner's theorem [Wendland, 2005], $k \leftrightarrow \Lambda$: sym.)

$$k(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) = k_0(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} e^{-i\langle \mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}, \omega \rangle} d\Lambda(\omega),$$

where Λ is a finite Borel measure (w.l.o.g. probability).

Shift-invariant kernels on \mathbb{R} [Sriperumbudur et al., 2010b]

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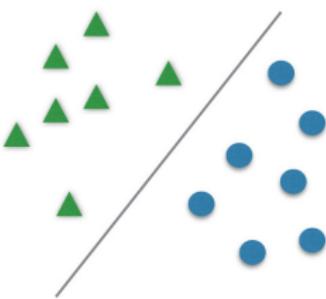
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Kernels in action: classification, regression, dimensionality reduction

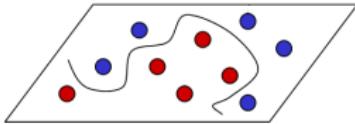
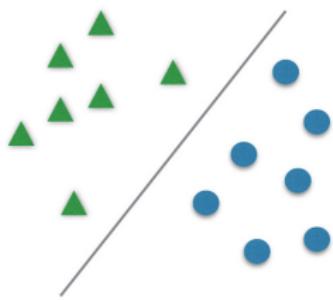
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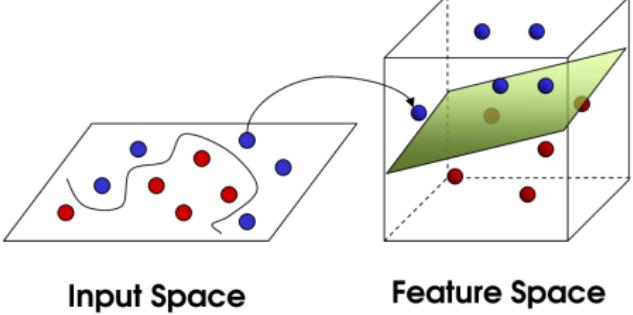
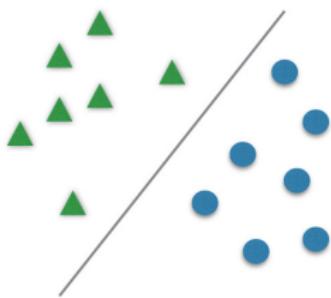
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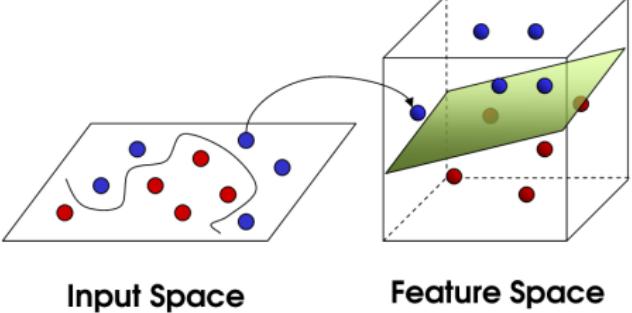
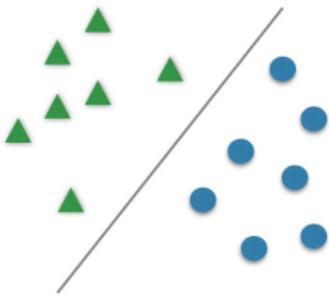
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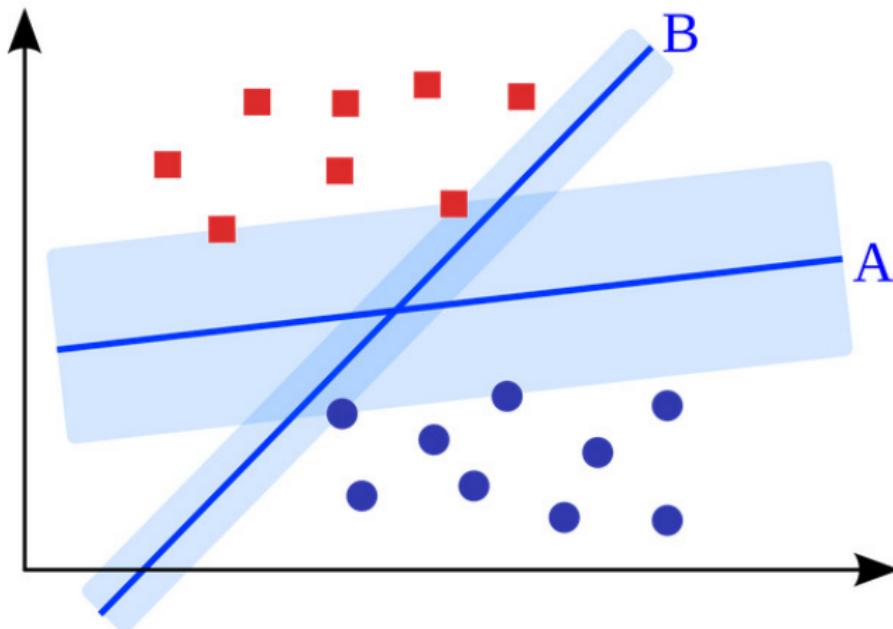
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- $d \ll D$: compression (images, music, ...).



Classification: SVM

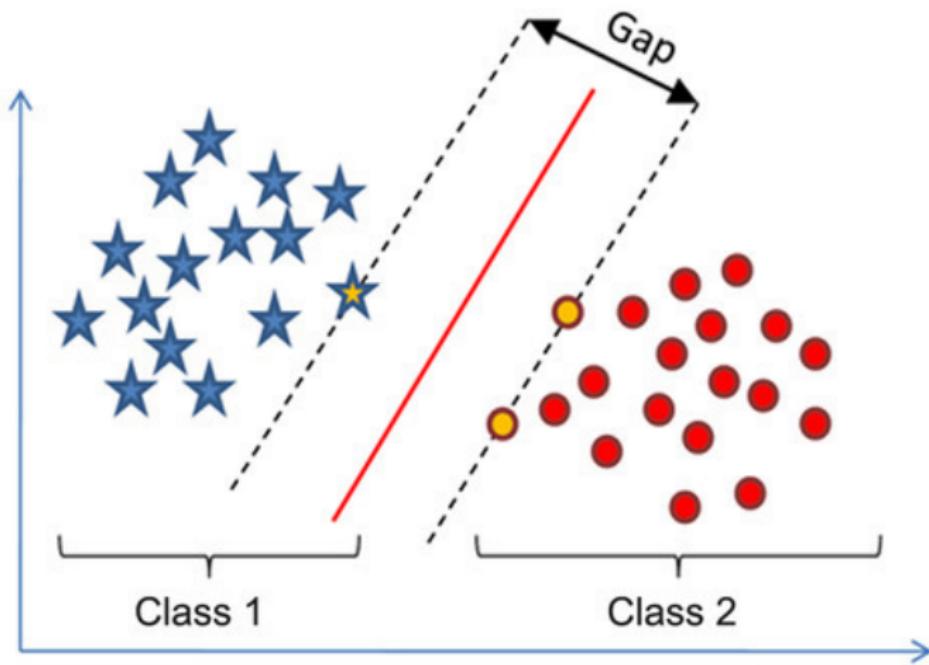
Support vector machine (SVM) for classification

Which separating line is the 'best'?



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Lagrangian function: with $\alpha_i \geq 0, \beta_i \geq 0 \quad (\forall i)$

$L(\mathbf{w}, b, \xi; \alpha, \beta) = \text{objective} - \text{Lagrangian multipliers} \times \text{conditions}$

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Optimality equations:

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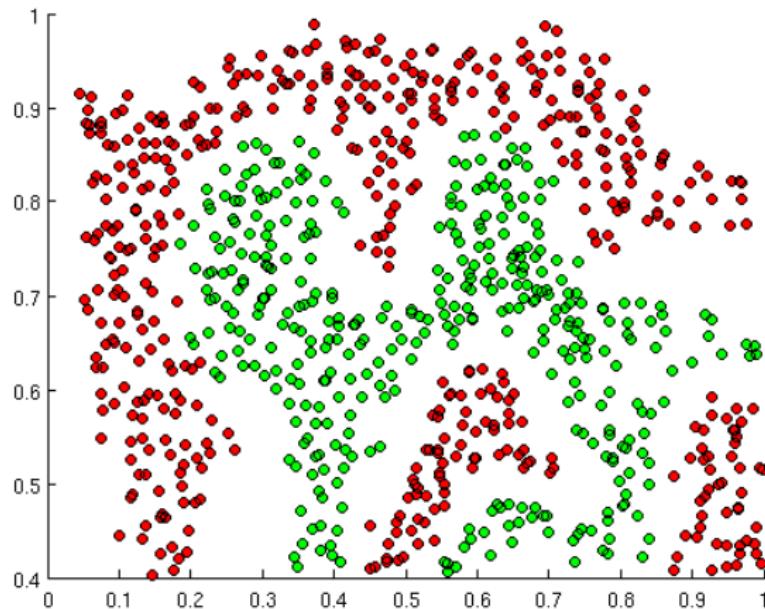
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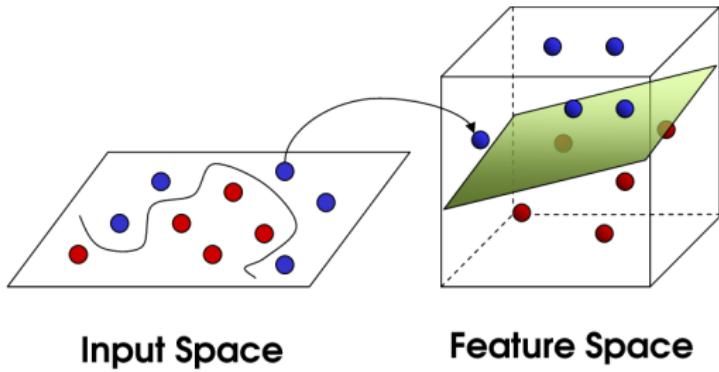
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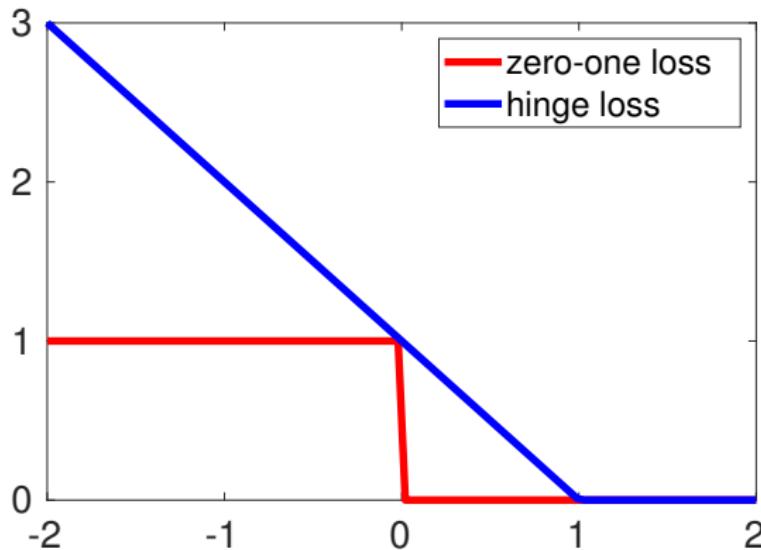
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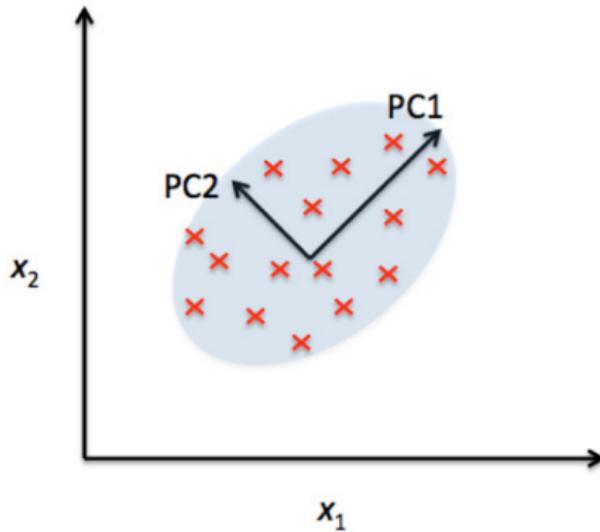
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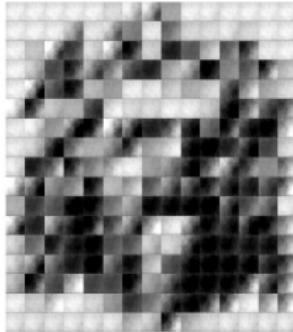


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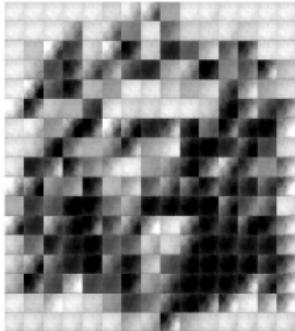


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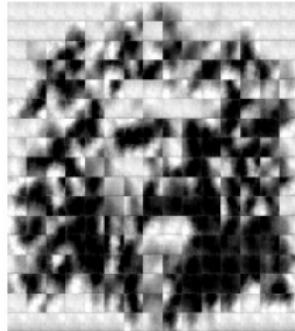
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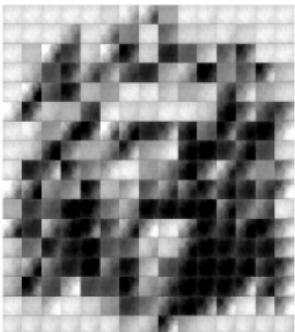


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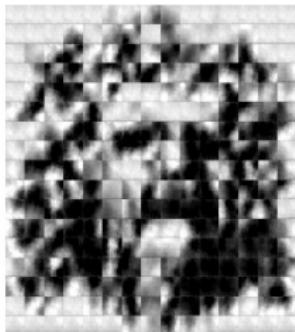
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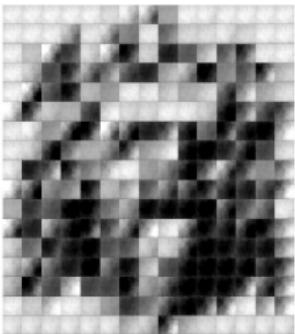


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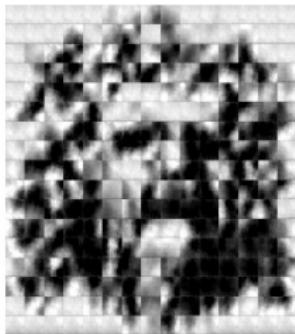
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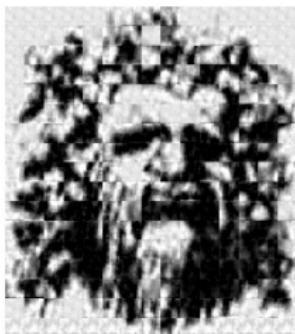
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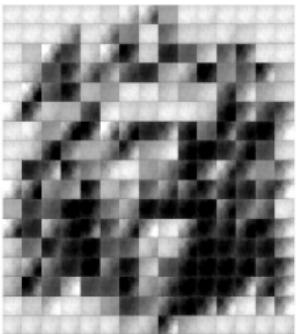


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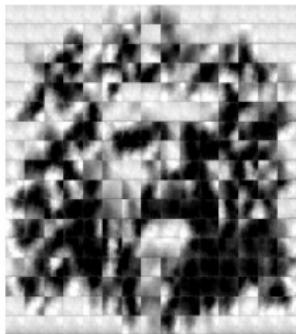
PCA example: 100% → 20%



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In denoising application: PCA vs kernel PCA

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Normalization:

- (\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}) : solution $\Rightarrow (a\mathbf{c}, b\mathbf{d})$: solution $a, b \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$.
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KCCA: final task

Find the maximal eigenvalue, $\lambda := \mathbf{c}^T \tilde{\mathbf{G}}_x \tilde{\mathbf{G}}_y \mathbf{d}$, of the generalized eigenvalue problem:

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- **Regularization is important:** With $\kappa = 0, \lambda \in \{0, \pm 1\} \Rightarrow$

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- For consistent KCCA estimate:
 - $\kappa_N \rightarrow 0$ [Leurgans et al., 1993] (spline-RKHS),
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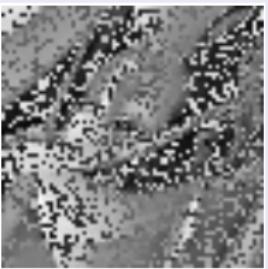
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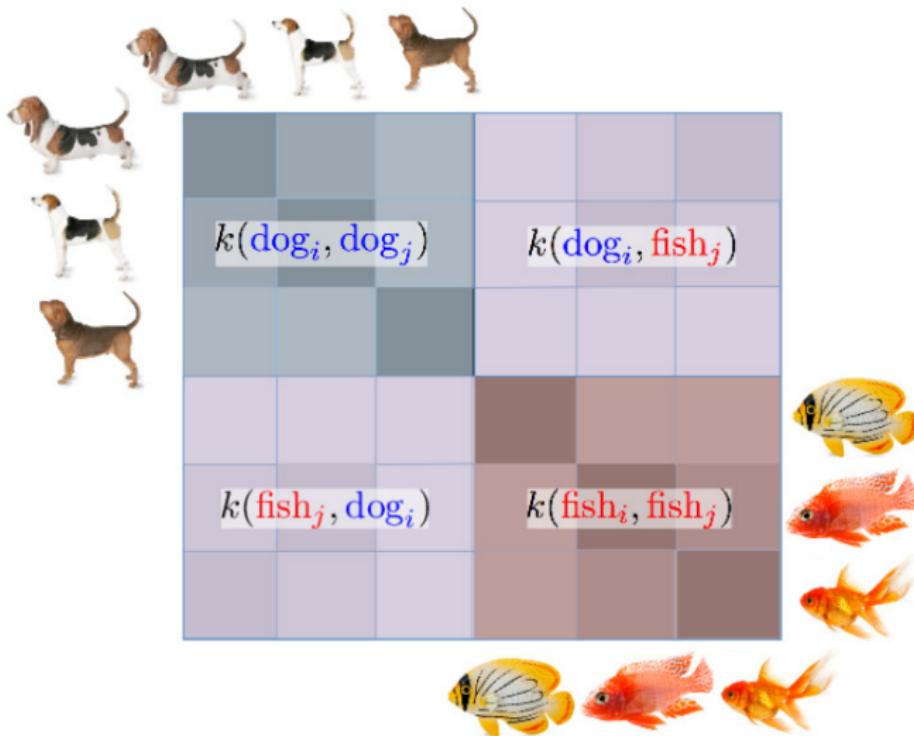


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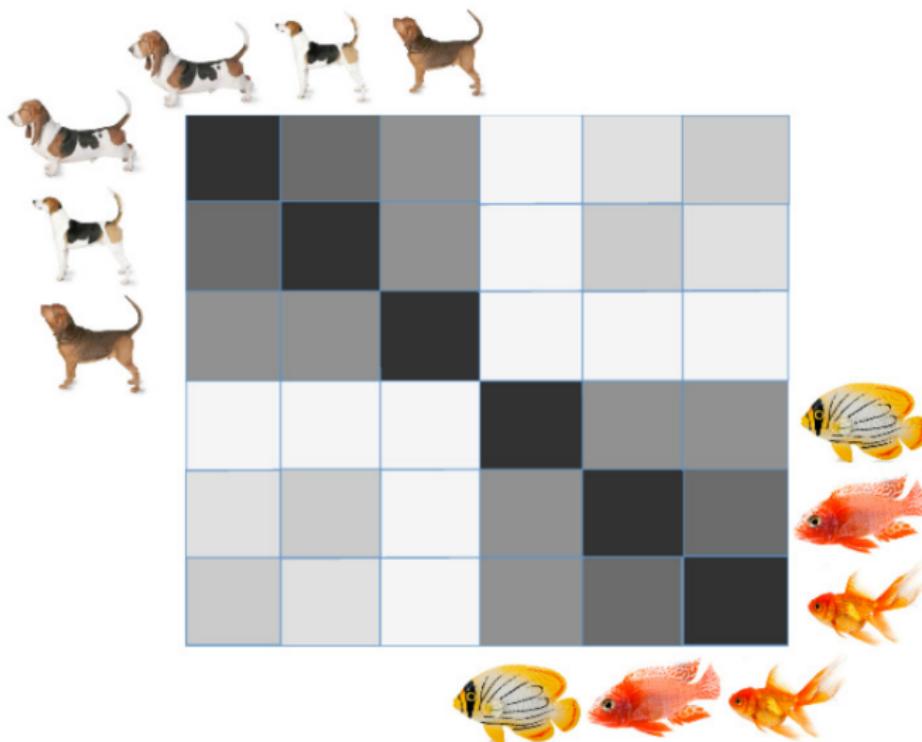


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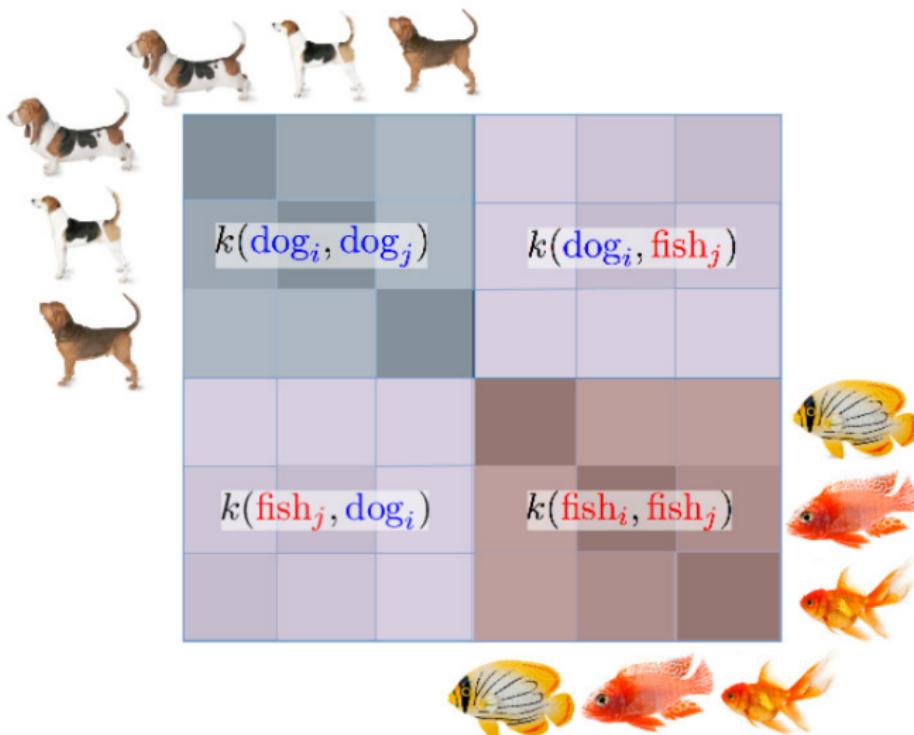
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[†] $\widehat{\text{MMD}}$ & $\widehat{\text{HSIC}}$ illustration credit: Arthur Gretton

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using $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^m \sim \mathbb{P}$, $\{y_j\}_{j=1}^n \sim \mathbb{Q}$ samples.

- Computational complexity: $\mathcal{O}((m+n)^2)$, quadratic.

Hilbert-Schmidt Independence Criterion (HSIC)

HSIC: intuition. \mathcal{X} : images, \mathcal{Y} : descriptions



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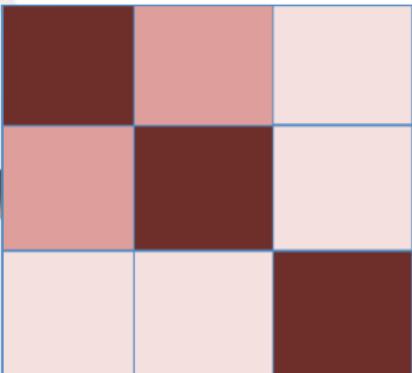
A large animal who slings slobber, exudes a distinctive houndy odor, and wants nothing more than to follow his nose. They need a significant amount of exercise and mental stimulation.



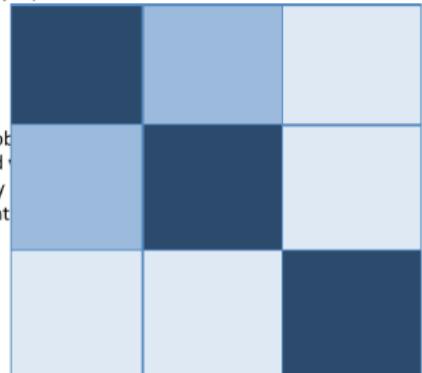
Known for their curiosity, intelligence, and excellent communication skills, the Javanese breed is perfect if you want a responsive, interactive pet, one that will blow in your ear and follow you everywhere.

Text from dogtime.com and petfinder.com

HSIC intuition: Gram matrices

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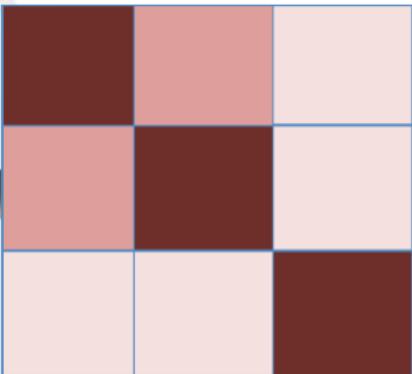


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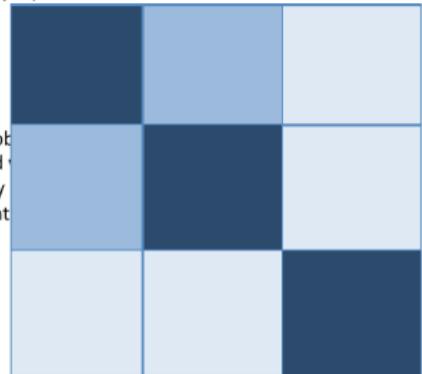
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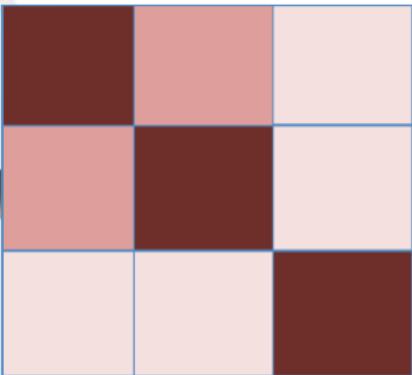
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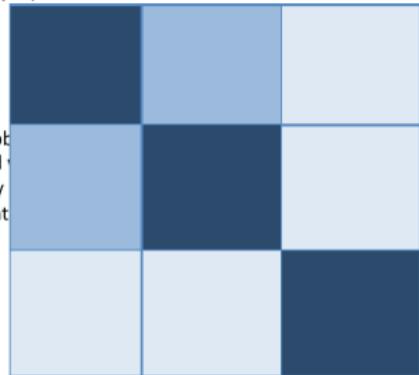


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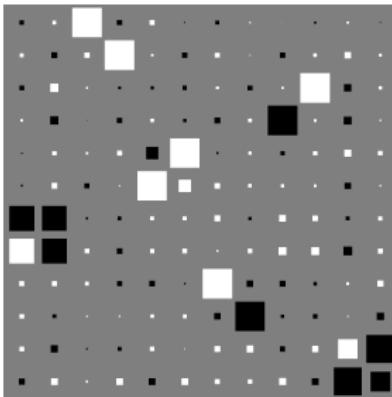
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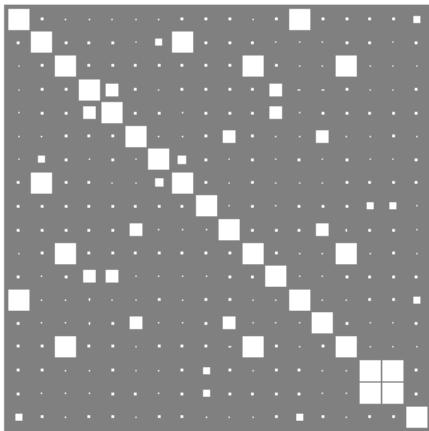
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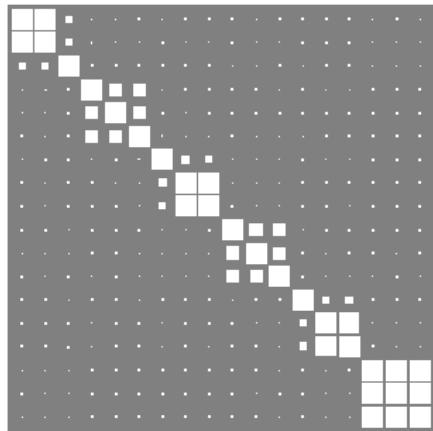
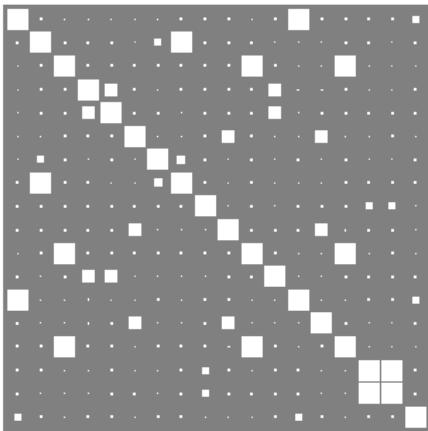
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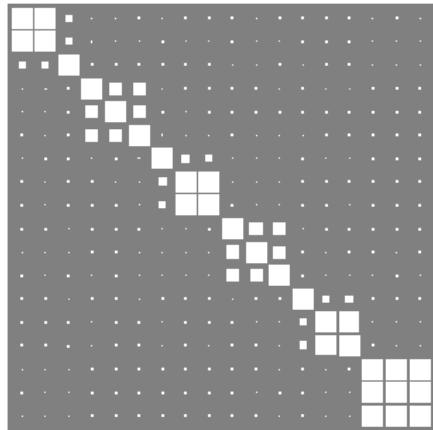
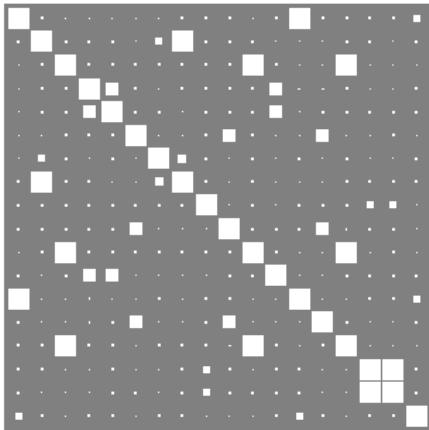
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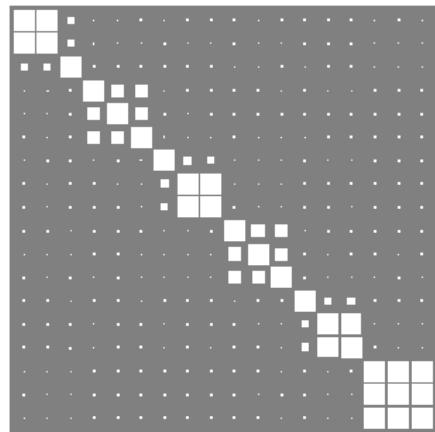
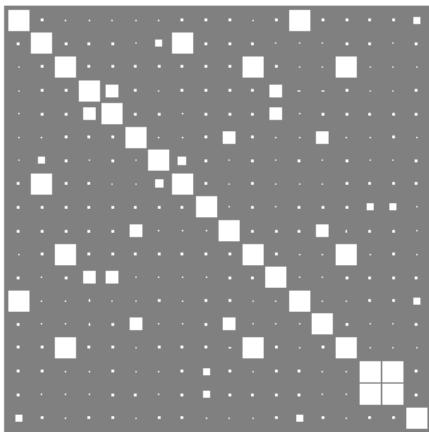
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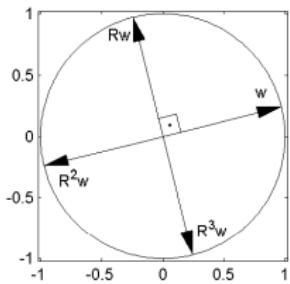
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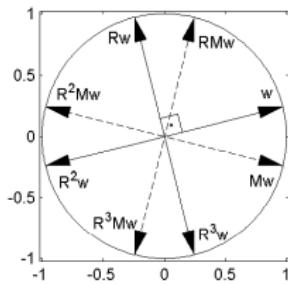
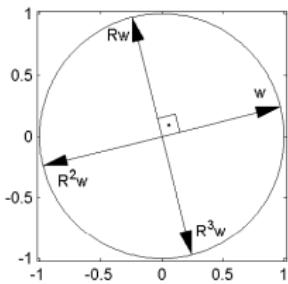
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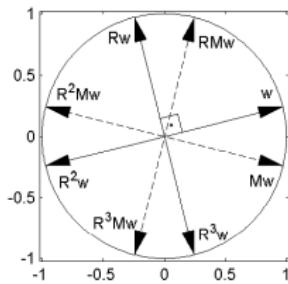
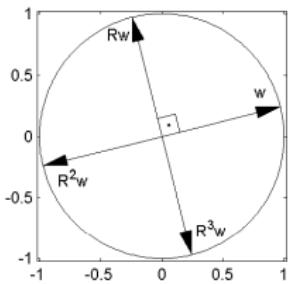
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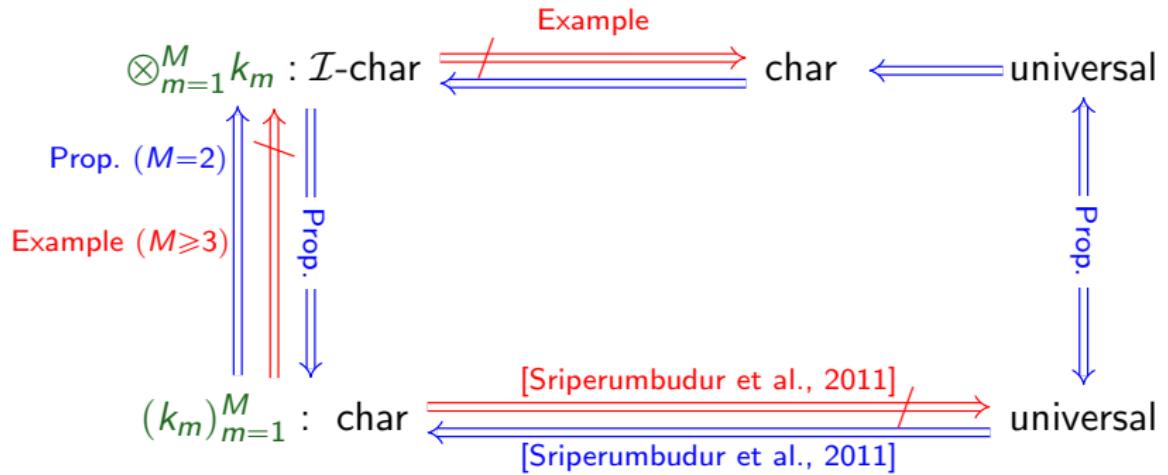
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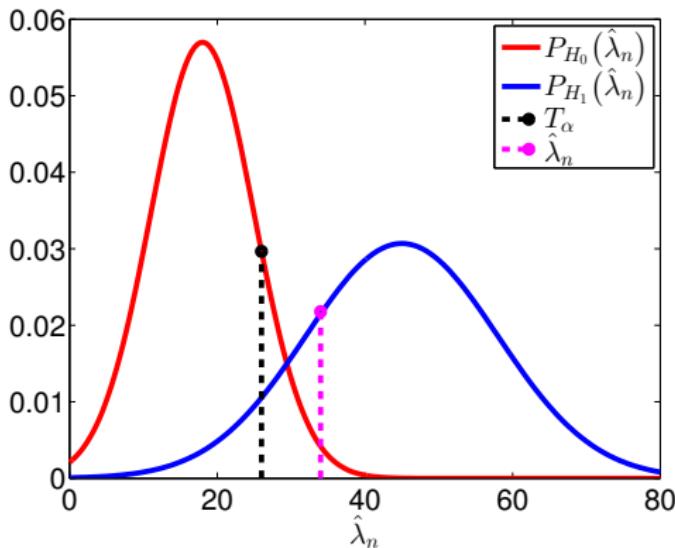
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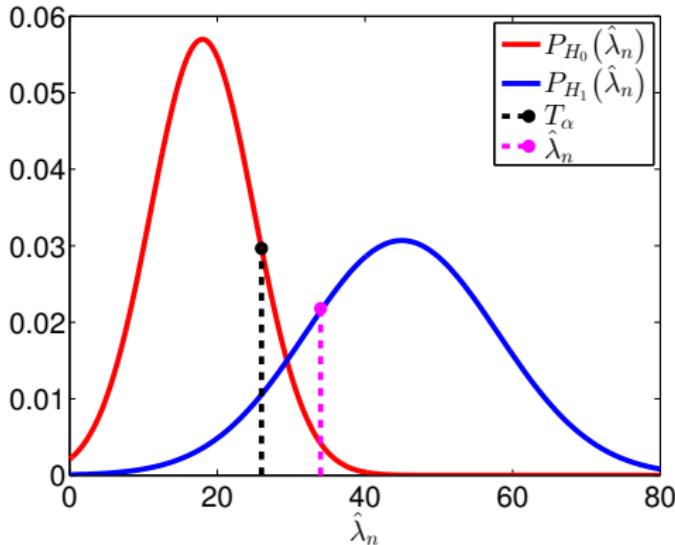
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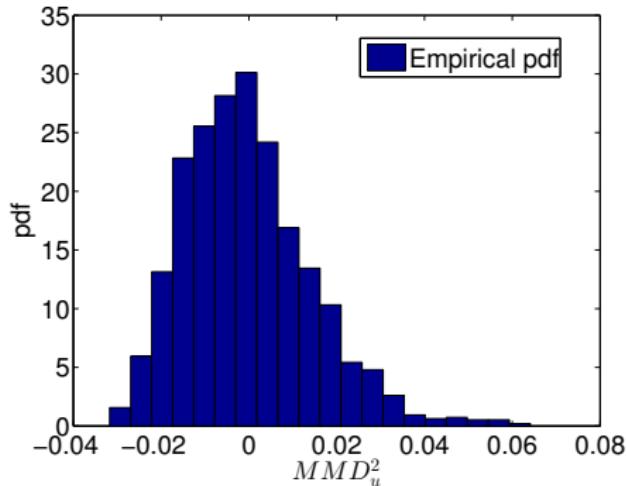
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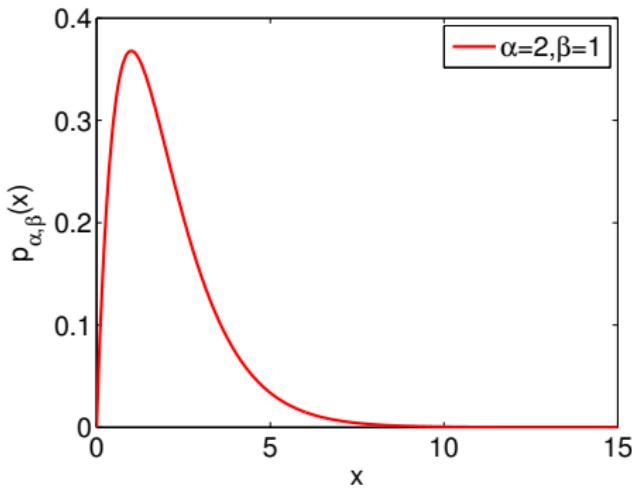
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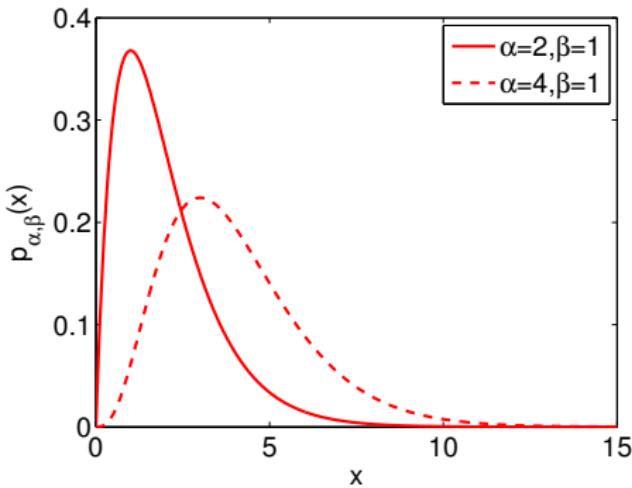
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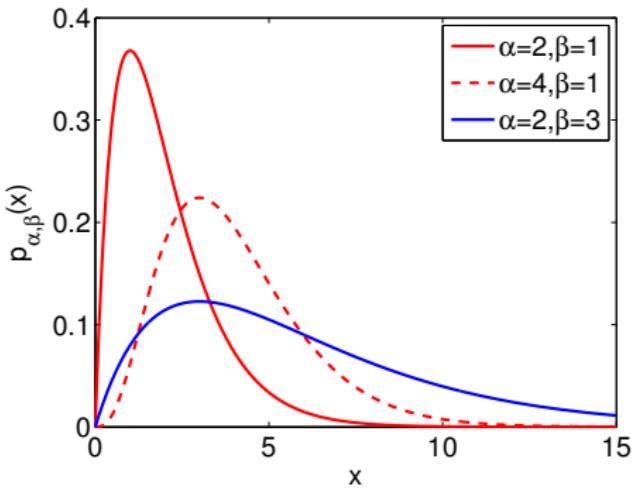
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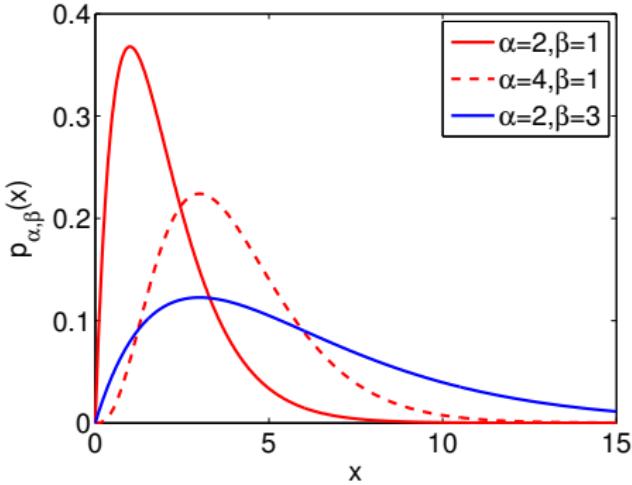
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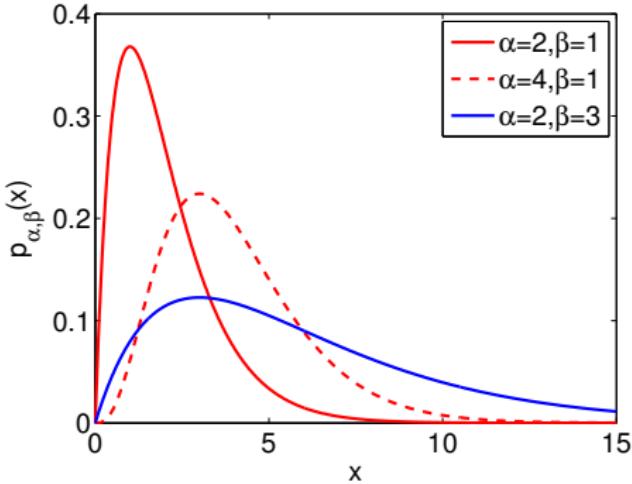
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$$\text{HSIC}(x, y) = \|\mu_{xy} - \mu_x \otimes \mu_y\|_{\mathcal{H}_{k_1 \otimes k_2}}, \quad u(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) = \mu_{xy}(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) - \mu_x(\mathbf{v})\mu_y(\mathbf{w}),$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{FSIC}(x, y) &= \sqrt{\frac{1}{J} \sum_{j=1}^J u^2(\mathbf{v}_j, \mathbf{w}_j)}, & \mathcal{V} &= \{(\mathbf{v}_j, \mathbf{w}_j)\}_{j=1}^J, \\ &= \|u\|_{L^2(\mathcal{V})}.\end{aligned}$$

- Whitening $\Rightarrow \chi_J^2$ null. Computation: $\mathcal{O}(n)$. Power optimization.
- Alternative view: $u(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) = \text{cov}_{\mathbf{xy}}(k_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}), k_2(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{w})) = (\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w})^{th}$ entry of

$$C_{xy} = \mathbb{E}_{xy} [\varphi_1(x) \otimes \varphi_2(y)] - \mu_x \otimes \mu_y.$$

We

- assumed analytic, characteristic, bounded kernels.
- replaced the RKHS norm with $L^2(\mathcal{V})$ norm.

In linear-time '**MMD**' and '**HSIC**', respectively:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P} = \mathbb{Q} &\Leftrightarrow \mu_{\mathbb{P}-\mathbb{Q}} = 0, \\ \mathbb{P} = \mathbb{P}_1 \otimes \mathbb{P}_2 &\Leftrightarrow \mu_{\mathbb{P}-\mathbb{P}_1 \otimes \mathbb{P}_2} = 0.\end{aligned}$$

Goodness-of-fit

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[Chwialkowski et al., 2016, Liu et al., 2016]

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$L^2(\mathcal{V})$ trick goes through.

Numerical Illustrations

2-sample testing: parameter settings

- Gaussian kernel (σ). $\alpha = 0.01$. $J = 1$. Repeat 500 trials.
- Report **rejection rate of H_0**
- Compare 4 methods
 - **ME-full**: Optimize \mathcal{V} and σ .
 - **ME-grid**: Optimize σ . Random \mathcal{V} [Chwialkowski et al., 2015].
 - **MMD-quad**: Test with quadratic-time MMD [Gretton et al., 2012].
 - **MMD-lin**: Test with linear-time MMD [Gretton et al., 2012].
- Optimize kernels to power in MMD-lin, MMD-quad.

NLP: discrimination of document categories

- 5903 NIPS papers (1988-2015).
- Keyword-based category assignment into 4 groups:
 - Bayesian inference, Deep learning, Learning theory, Neuroscience
- $d = 2000$ nouns. TF-IDF representation.

Problem	n^{te}	ME-full	ME-grid	MMD-quad	MMD-lin
1. Bayes-Bayes	215	.012	.018	.022	.008
2. Bayes-Deep	216	.954	.034	.906	.262
3. Bayes-Learn	138	.990	.774	1.00	.238
4. Bayes-Neuro	394	1.00	.300	.952	.972
5. Learn-Deep	149	.956	.052	.876	.500
6. Learn-Neuro	146	.960	.572	1.00	.538

- Performance of ME-full [$\mathcal{O}(n)$] is comparable to MMD-quad [$\mathcal{O}(n^2)$].

- Aggregating over trials; example: 'Bayes-Neuro'.
- Most discriminative words:
spike, markov, cortex, dropout, recur, iii, gibb.
 - learned test locations: highly interpretable,
 - '**markov**', '**gibb**' (\Leftarrow Gibbs): **Bayes**ian inference,
 - '**spike**', '**cortexneuroscience**.

- Aggregating over trials; example: 'Bayes-Neuro'.
- Least discriminative ones:
circumfer, bra, dominiqu, rhino, mitra, kid, impostor.

Distinguish positive/negative emotions

- Karolinska Directed Emotional Faces (KDEF) [Lundqvist et al., 1998].
- 70 actors = 35 females and 35 males.
- $d = 48 \times 34 = 1632$. Grayscale. Pixel features.



Problem	n^{te}	ME-full	ME-grid	MMD-quad	MMD-lin
± vs. ±	201	.010	.012	.018	.008
+ vs. −	201	.998	.656	1.00	.578



- Learned test location (averaged) =

Independence testing: parameters

- k_1, k_2 : Gaussian. $J = 10$.
- Report: rejection rate of H_0 .
- Compare 6 methods:

Method	Description	Tuning	Test size	Complexity
NFSIC-opt	Studied	Gradient descent	$n/2$	$\mathcal{O}(n)$
NFSIC-med	No tuning	Random locations	n	$\mathcal{O}(n)$
QHSIC	Full HSIC	Median heuristic	n	$\mathcal{O}(n^2)$
NyHSIC	Nyström + HSIC	Median heuristic	n	$\mathcal{O}(n)$
FHSIC	RFF + HSIC	Median heuristic	n	$\mathcal{O}(n)$
RDC	RFF + CCA	Median heuristic	n	$\mathcal{O}(n \log n)$

Demo-1: million song data

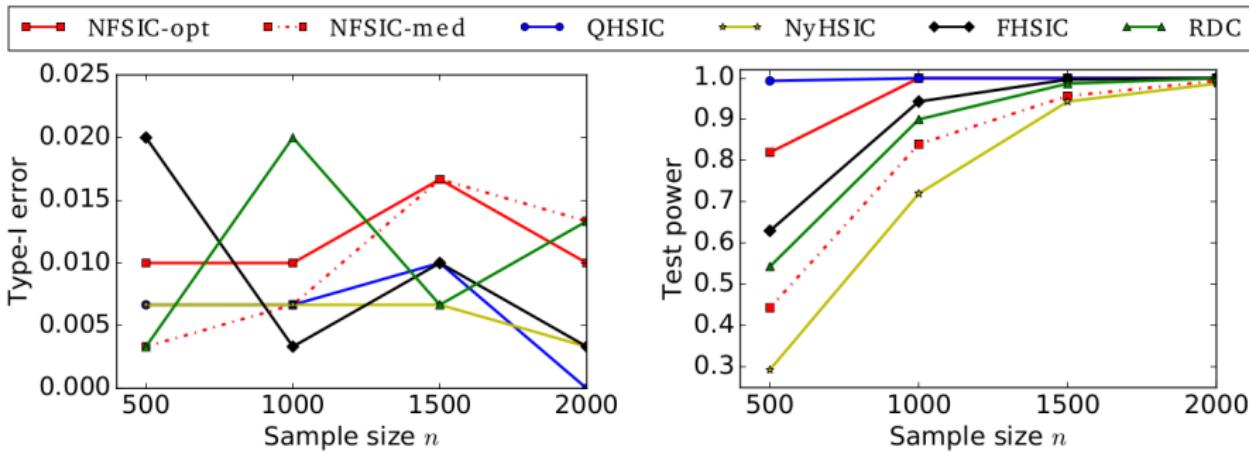
Song (x) vs. year of release (y).

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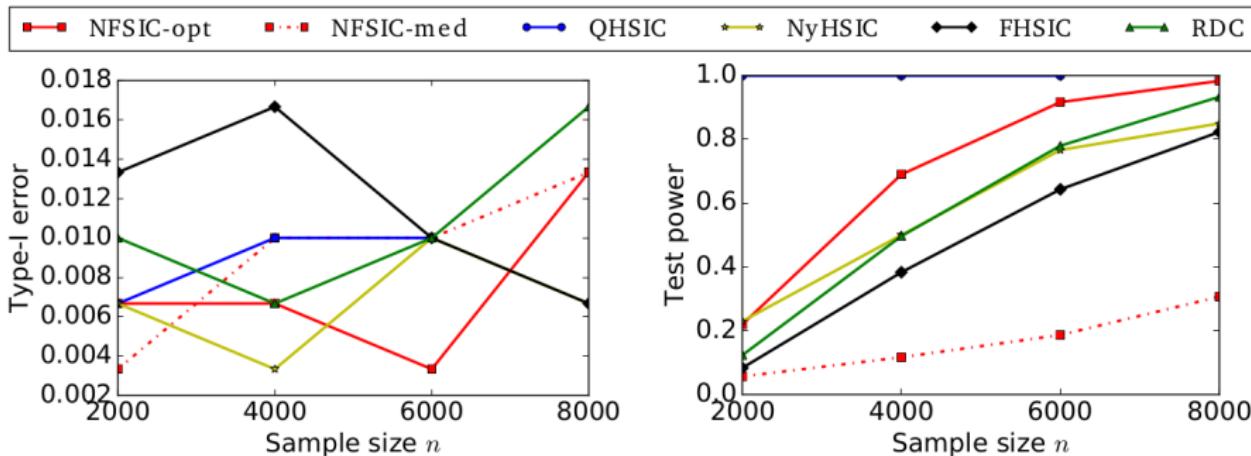
Youtube video (x) vs. caption (y).

- VideoStory46K [Habibian et al., 2014]
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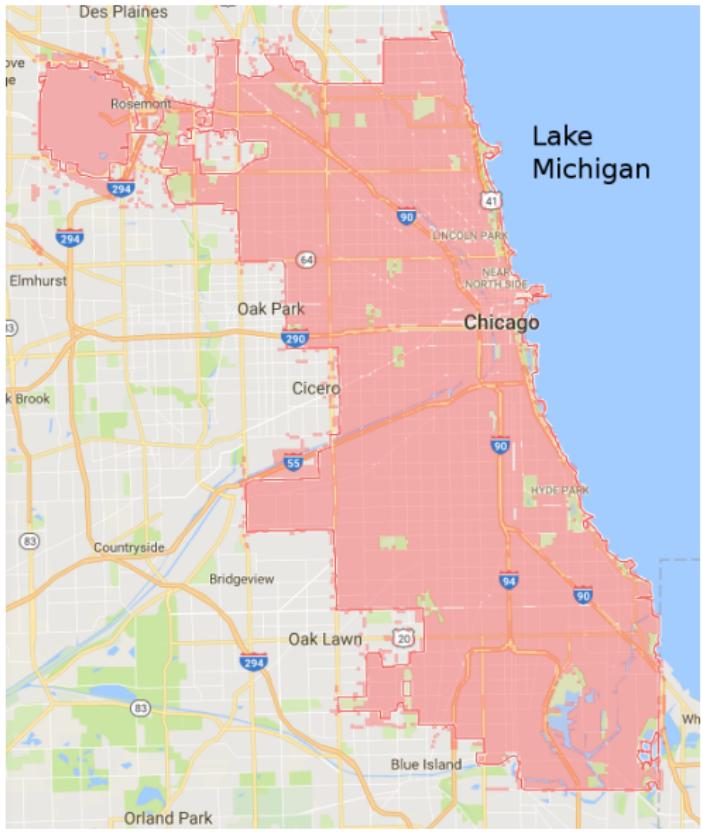
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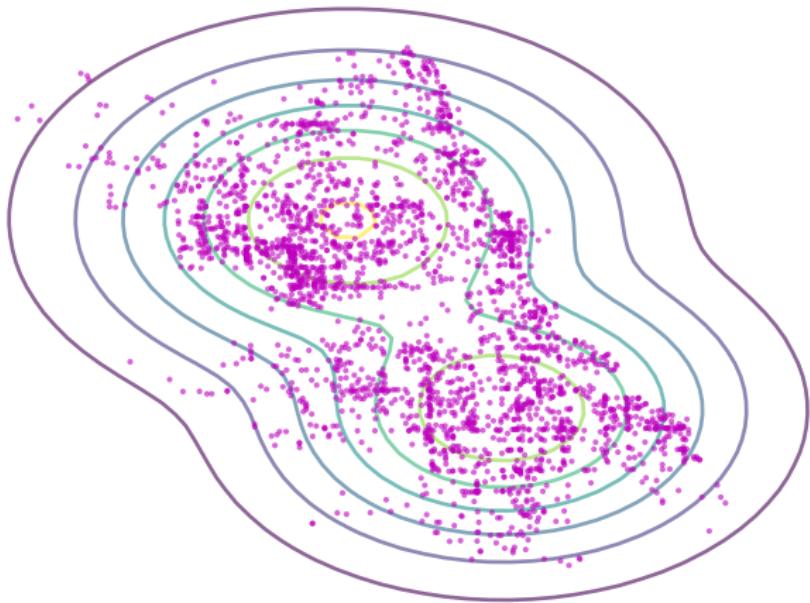


Goodness-of-Fit Demo

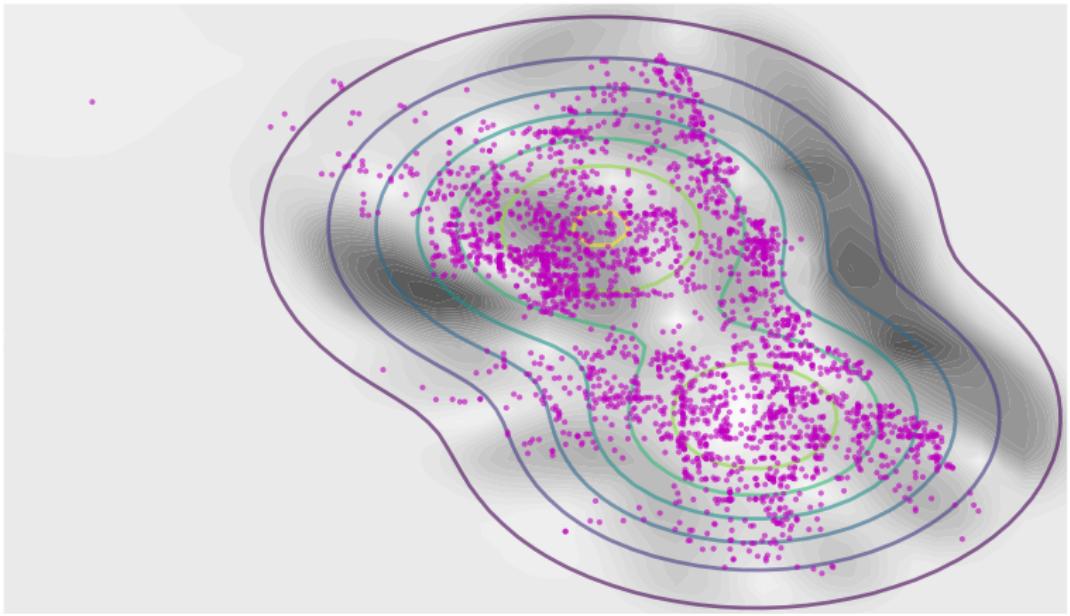




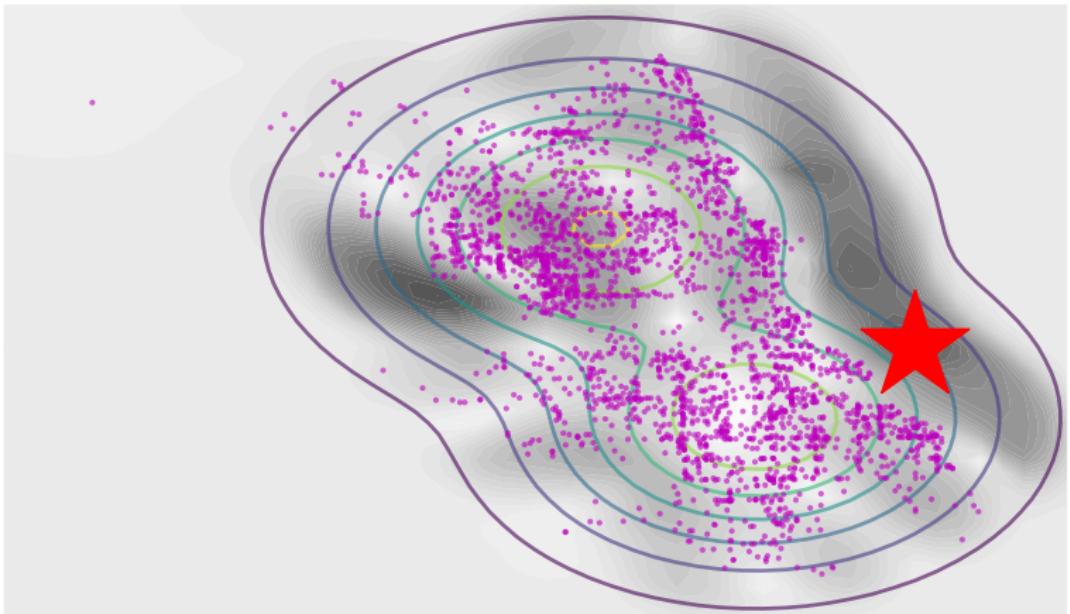
Robbery events (lat/long coordinates) $\sim q$.



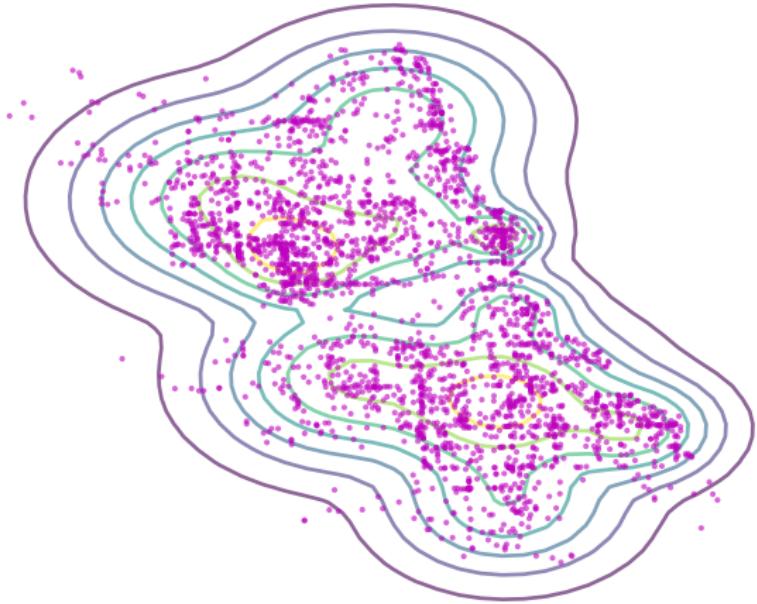
Model p : 2-component Gaussian mixture.



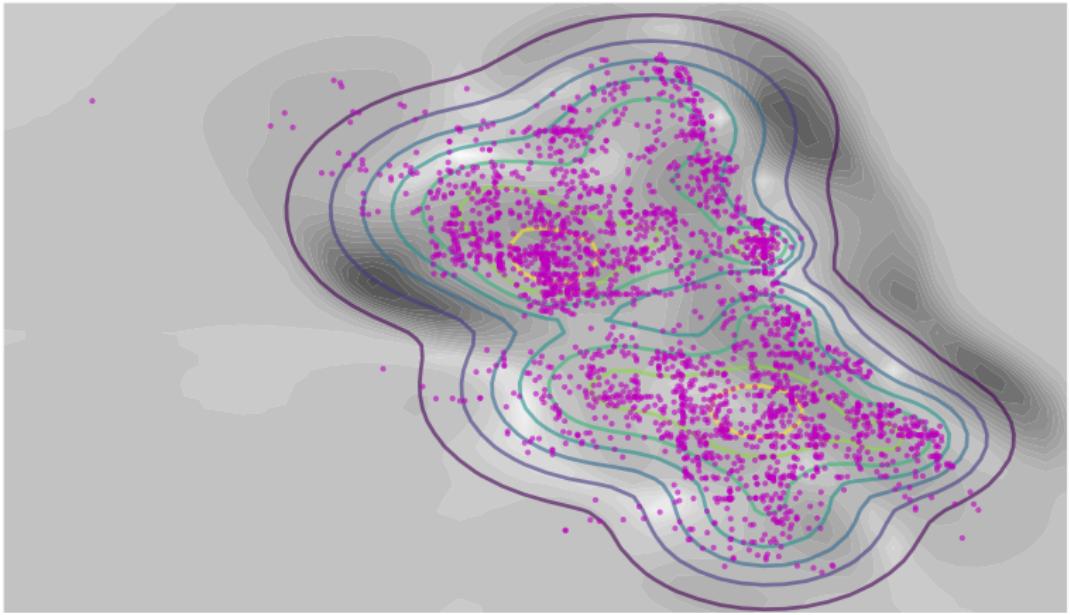
Score surface



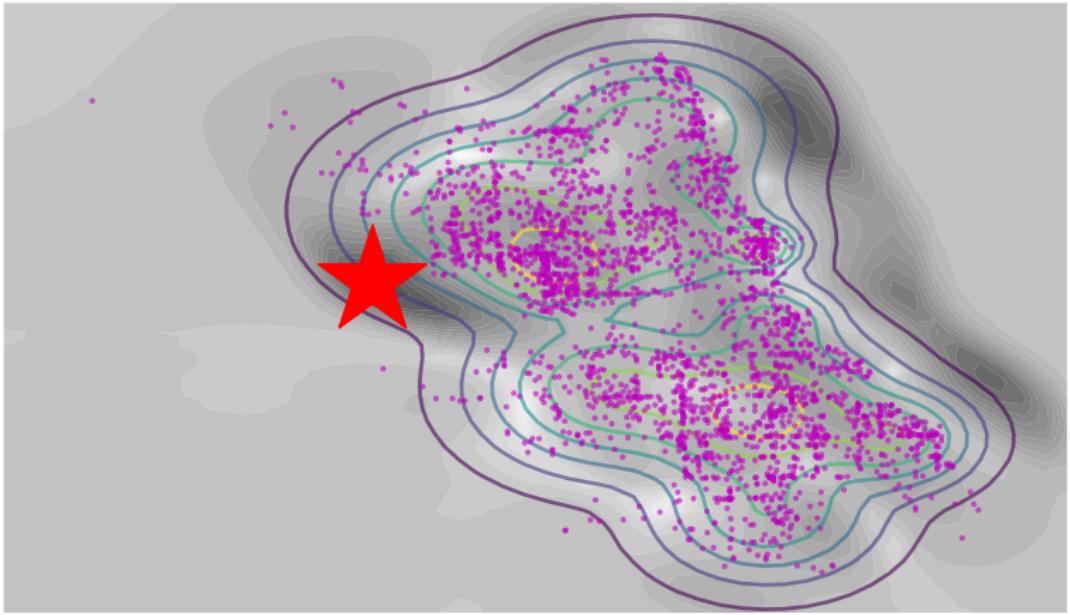
★ = optimized v .
No robbery in Lake Michigan.



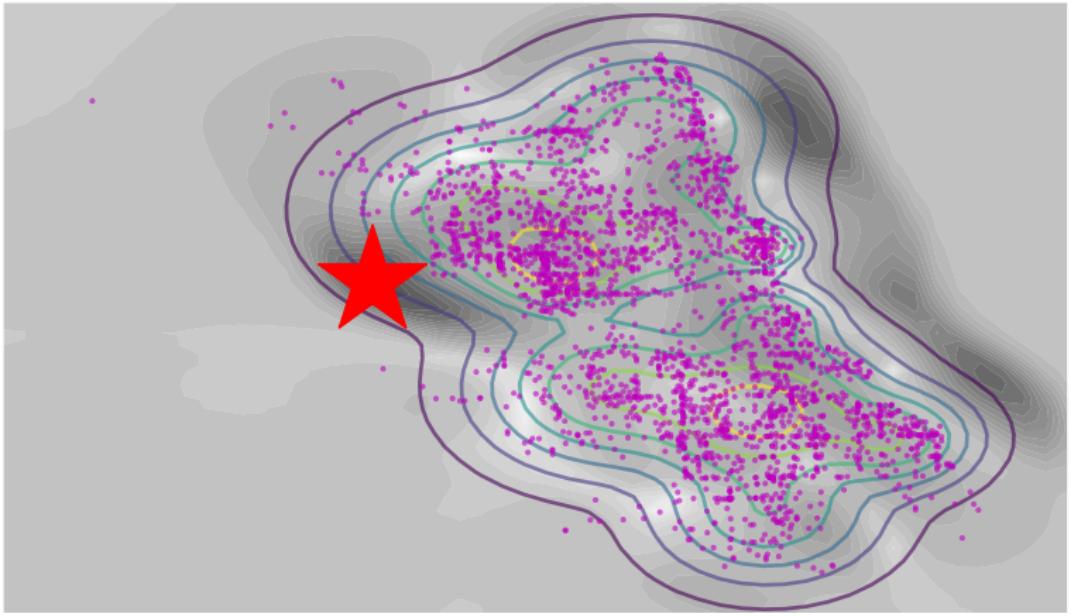
Model p : 10-component Gaussian mixture.



Capture the right tail better.



Still, does not capture the left tail.



Still, does not capture the left tail.

Sharp boundary (geography of Chicago) \neq Gaussian tails. \rightarrow interpretable features

- Motivation: infoT objectives, hypothesis testing.
- Kernels, RKHS: definitions, construction.
- Kernel applications: classification, ridge regression, PCA.
- MMD, HSIC, KCCA.
- Characteristic, universal, \mathcal{I} -characteristic property.
- Hypothesis testing: quadratic & linear-time methods.

Thank you for the attention!



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