



Artificial Intelligence III:
Artificial Intelligence and Deep Learning

Lecture 6

Unsupervised Learning

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Agenda

- ◆ Introduction
- ◆ Clustering
 - Similarity Measure
 - Criterion Function
 - Algorithm
- ◆ Feature Extraction
 - Principal Components Analysis

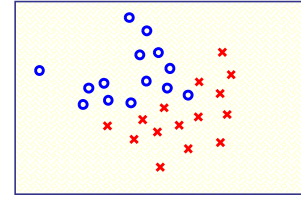




Supervised VS Unsupervised

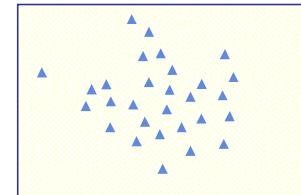
◆ Supervised Learning

- **Label** is given
- Someone (a supervisor) provides the true answer



◆ Unsupervised Learning

- **No Label** is given
“Learning without a teacher”
- Much harder than supervised learning
- **You never know the correct answer**
 - How to evaluate the result?



Unsupervised Learning

- ◆ No Supervision (No Label)
How to **evaluate the result**?
 - **External**: Expert comments
 - **Expert** may be **wrong**
 - **Internal**: Objective functions
 - E.g. Distance between samples and centers
 - Very **intuitive**
- ◆ Different from Supervised Learning, the evaluation method is **subjective**





Why No Label?

- ◆ Label is expensive
 - Especially for a huge dataset
 - E.g. Medical application
- ◆ Sometimes, the objective is not clear
 - Data Mining
- ◆ Gain some insight about the data structure before designing classifiers
 - E.g. Feature selection



Unsupervised Learning Type

- ◆ Parametric Approach
 - Assume **distribution is known**
 - **Estimate parameters** of distribution
 - E.g. Maximum-Likelihood Estimate
- ◆ Non-Parametric Approach
 - **No assumption** on the distribution
 - Group data into clusters
 - Samples in the same group **share something in common**





Clustering

- ◆ How many clusters (groups) are there?



- ◆ How can you know it?

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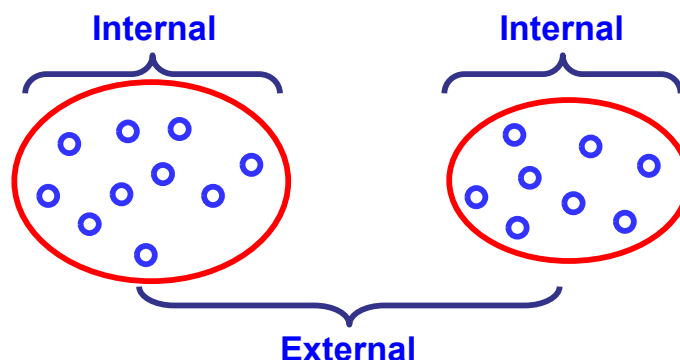
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Clustering

- ◆ How many clusters (groups) are there?



- ◆ Assumptions

- Internal Characteristic (intra-cluster):
 - Distance within a cluster should be **small**
- External Characteristic (inter-cluster):
 - Distance between clusters should be **large**

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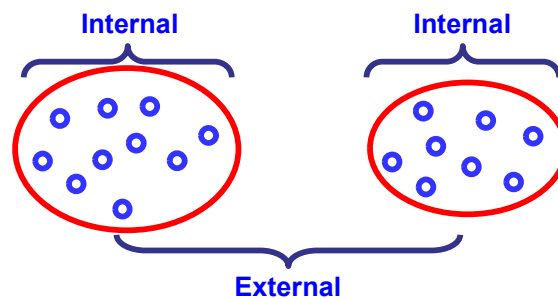
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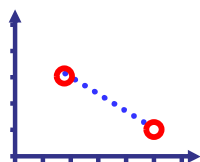




- ◆ Distance (Similarity) Measure
 - How similar between two samples?
- ◆ Criterion Function
 - What kind of clustering result is expected?
- ◆ Clustering Algorithm
 - E.g. optimize the criterion function

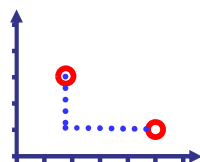


- ◆ No best measure for all cases
- ◆ Application dependent



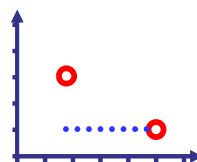
Euclidean Distance (L2)

$$d(x_1, x_2) = \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^n (x_{1k} - x_{2k})^2}$$



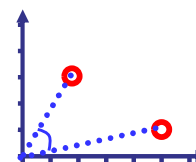
Manhattan Distance (L1)

$$d(x_1, x_2) = \sum_{k=1}^n |x_{1k} - x_{2k}|$$



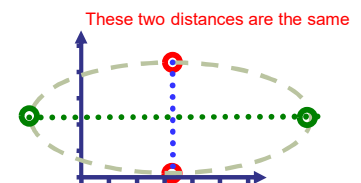
Chebyshev Distance

$$d(x_1, x_2) = \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} (|x_{1k} - x_{2k}|)$$



Cosine Similarity

$$d(x_1, x_2) = \frac{x_1^T x_2}{\|x_1\| \|x_2\|}$$



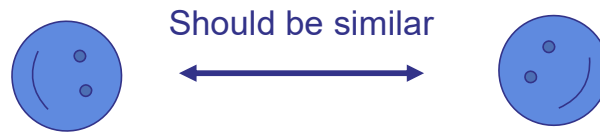
Mahalanobis Distance

$$d(x_1, x_2) = \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(x_{1k} - x_{2k})^2}{\sigma_k^2}}$$





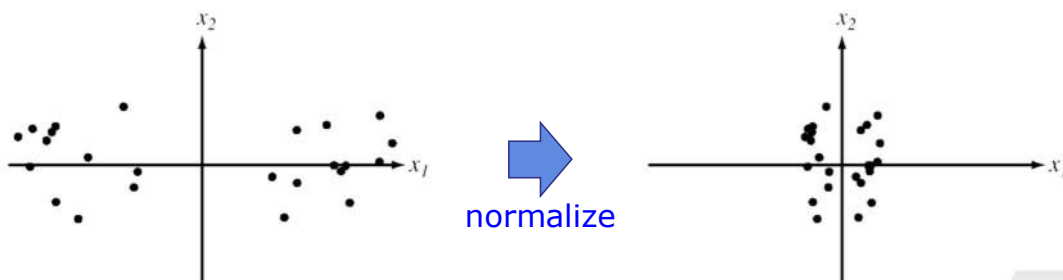
- ◆ No best measure for all cases
- ◆ Application dependent
 - Examples:



- NO Rotation Invariance in Character Recognition



- ◆ Scale of features may be different
 - Different Ranges (Weight: 80 – 300, waist width: 28 – 45)
 - Different Units (Km VS mile, cm VS meter)
- ◆ May be solved by normalized, e.g. [0, 1]
 - Sometimes may not be suitable
 - normalization reduces cluster effect (right diagram)

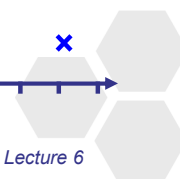
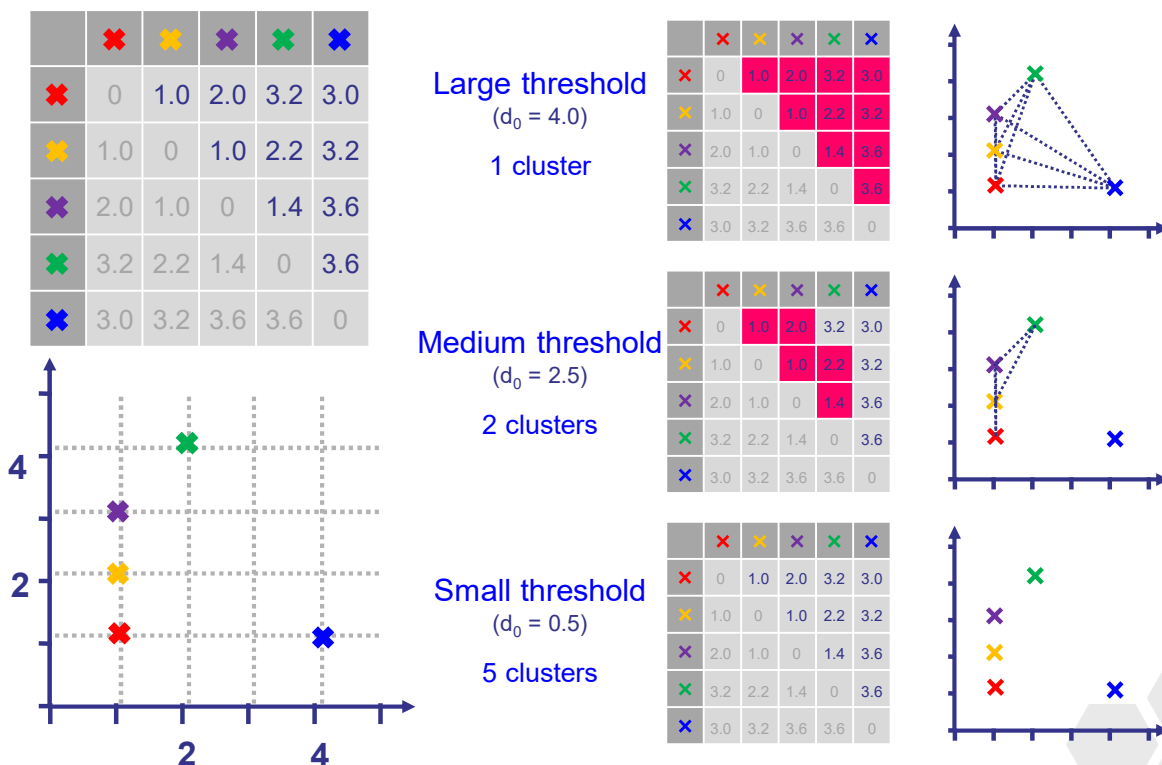




- ◆ A naïve clustering algorithm can be developed **only based on similarity measure** between samples
- ◆ Algorithm:
 - **Calculate similarity** for each sample pair
 - **Group** the **samples** in the same cluster if the **measure** between them is **less than a threshold (d_0)**



* Euclidean Distance is used

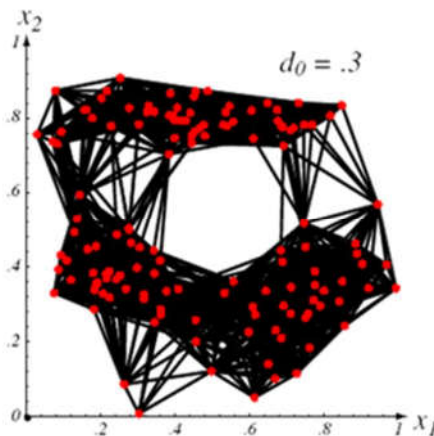




◆ Another Example

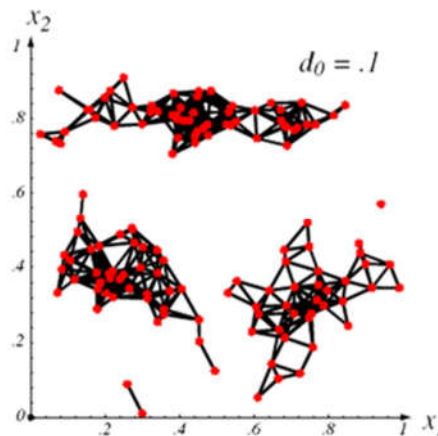
Large threshold

One Cluster



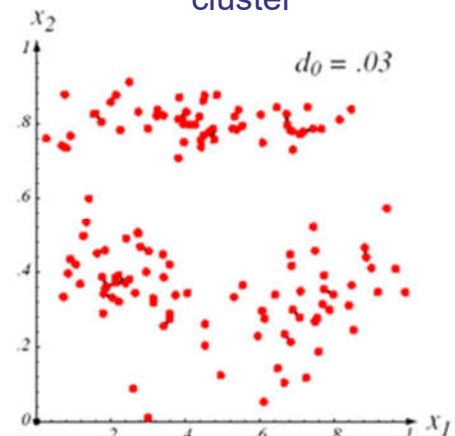
Medium threshold

Reasonable Result



Small threshold

Every sample is a cluster



◆ Advantage:

- Easy to understand
- Simple to implement

◆ Disadvantage:

- Only local information is considered
- Highly dependent on the threshold



Commonly used criteria

Intra-cluster scatter

(Variance of each cluster)

Smaller is better

$$S_A = \sum_{i=1}^c \sum_{x \in D_i} (x - \mu_i)(x - \mu_i)^t$$

Inter-cluster scatter

(Distance between clusters)

Larger is better

$$S_E = \sum_{i=1}^c n_i (\mu_i - \mu)(\mu_i - \mu)^t$$

Combination

$$S = \alpha S_A - (1 - \alpha) S_E$$

$$\mu_i = \frac{1}{n_i} \sum_{x \in D_i} x \quad \mu = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{x \in D} x$$

c : the number of cluster

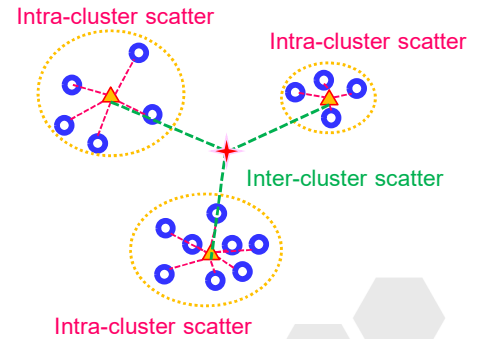
n : the number of samples

n_i : the number of samples in cluster i

D : the set of all samples

D_i : the set of samples in cluster i

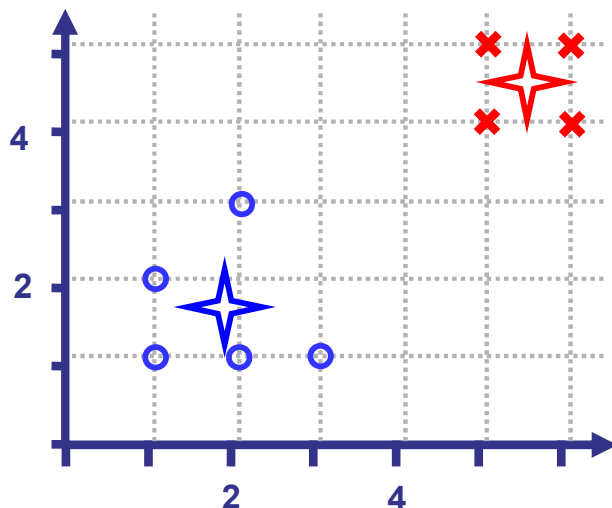
α : the tradeoff



* Euclidean Distance is used

Intra-cluster scatter

$$S_A = \sum_{i=1}^c \sum_{x \in D_i} (x - \mu_i)(x - \mu_i)^t$$



$$\mu_1 = \frac{1}{4} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 6 & 4 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 5 \\ 6 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 5.5 & 4.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

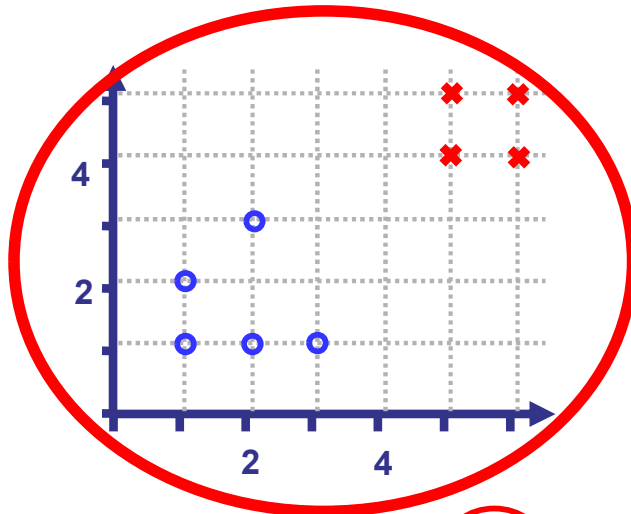
$$\mu_2 = \frac{1}{5} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1.8 & 1.6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S_w = \left(\begin{aligned} & \left(\sqrt{(5-5.5)^2 + (4-4.5)^2} + \sqrt{(5-5.5)^2 + (5-4.5)^2} \right) \\ & + \left(\sqrt{(6-5.5)^2 + (4-4.5)^2} + \sqrt{(6-5.5)^2 + (5-4.5)^2} \right) \\ & + \left(\sqrt{(1-1.8)^2 + (1-1.6)^2} + \sqrt{(1-1.8)^2 + (2-1.6)^2} \right) \\ & + \left(\sqrt{(2-1.8)^2 + (1-1.6)^2} + \sqrt{(2-1.8)^2 + (3-1.6)^2} \right) \\ & + \sqrt{(3-1.8)^2 + (1-1.6)^2} \end{aligned} \right)$$

$$= 2.83 + 5.28 = 8.11$$

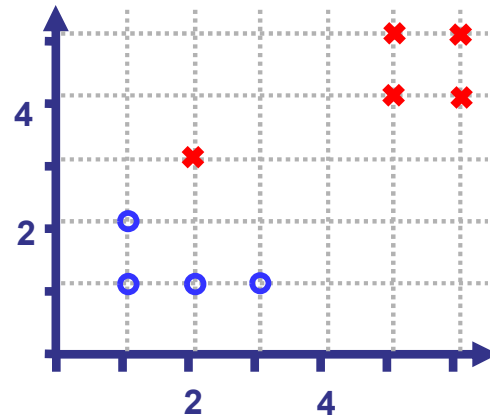


- ◆ Smaller S_A is preferred



$$S_A = 2.83 + 5.28 = 8.11$$

More reasonable result!

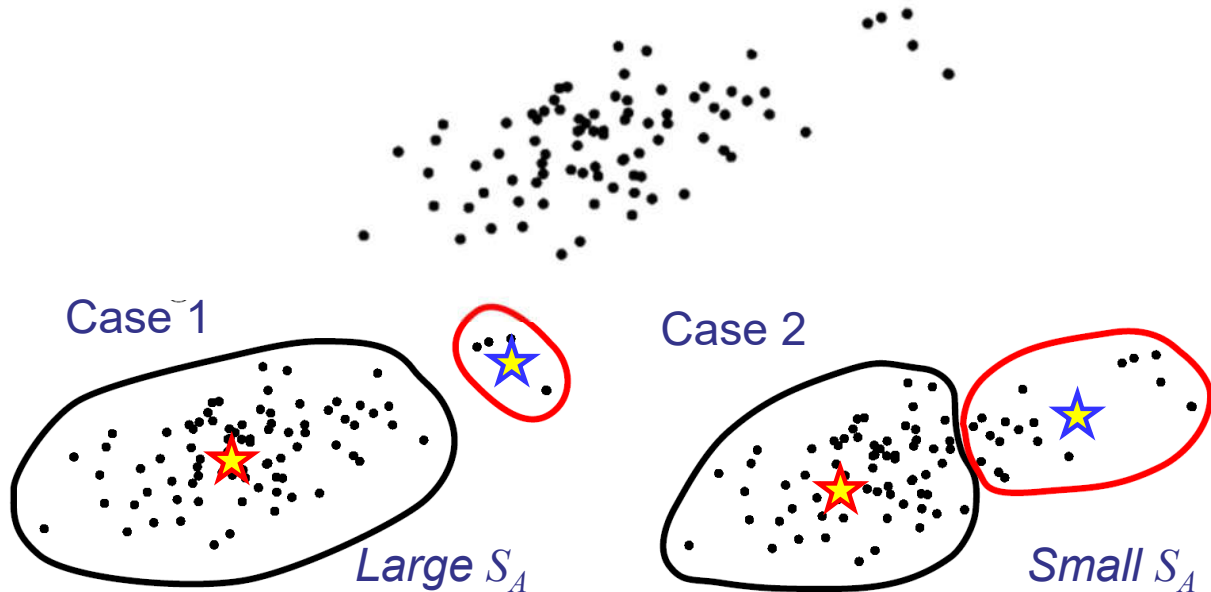


$$S_A = 6.81 + 3.48 = 10.29$$



- ◆ Is S_A (Intra-cluster scatter) a good criterion for all situations?
- ◆ How to separate the following samples into two clusters?





Case 1 is more reasonable

However, it has a **larger value** of S_A
due to the **large cluster**



- ◆ S_A (Intra-cluster scatter) is
- ◆ **Appropriate:**
 - The clusters form **compact groups**
 - **Equally sized** clusters
- ◆ **Not Appropriate**
 - When natural groupings have very **different sizes**

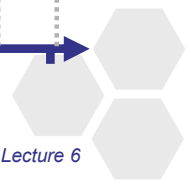
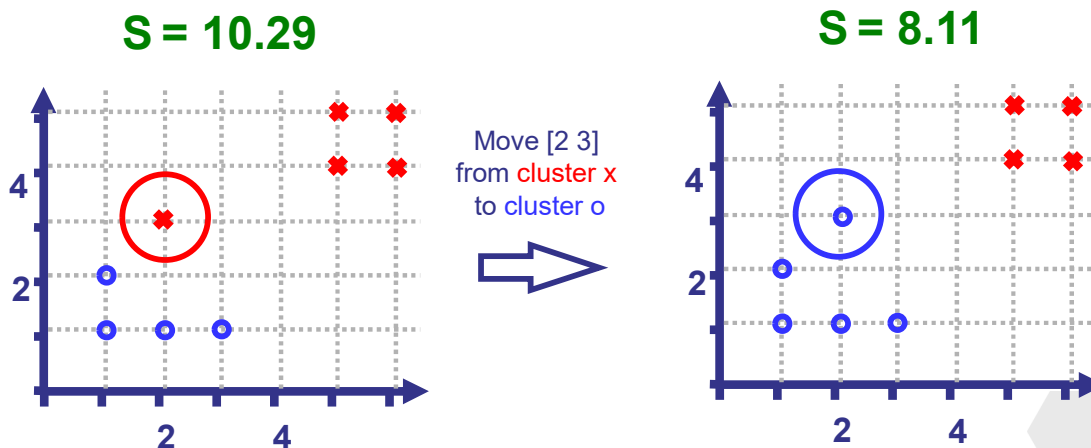


- ◆ Find the optimal clustering result
- ◆ Exhaustive search is impossible
 - $\sim C^n$ possible partitions
 - C: class number, n: sample number
- ◆ Methods:
 - Iterative Optimization Algorithm
 - K-means
 - Hierarchical Clustering
 - Bottom Up Approach
 - Top Down Approach



* Euclidean Distance is used

1. Find a reasonable initial cluster result
2. Move sample(s) from one cluster to another such that the objective function is improved the most
3. Goto 2 until stable





K-means

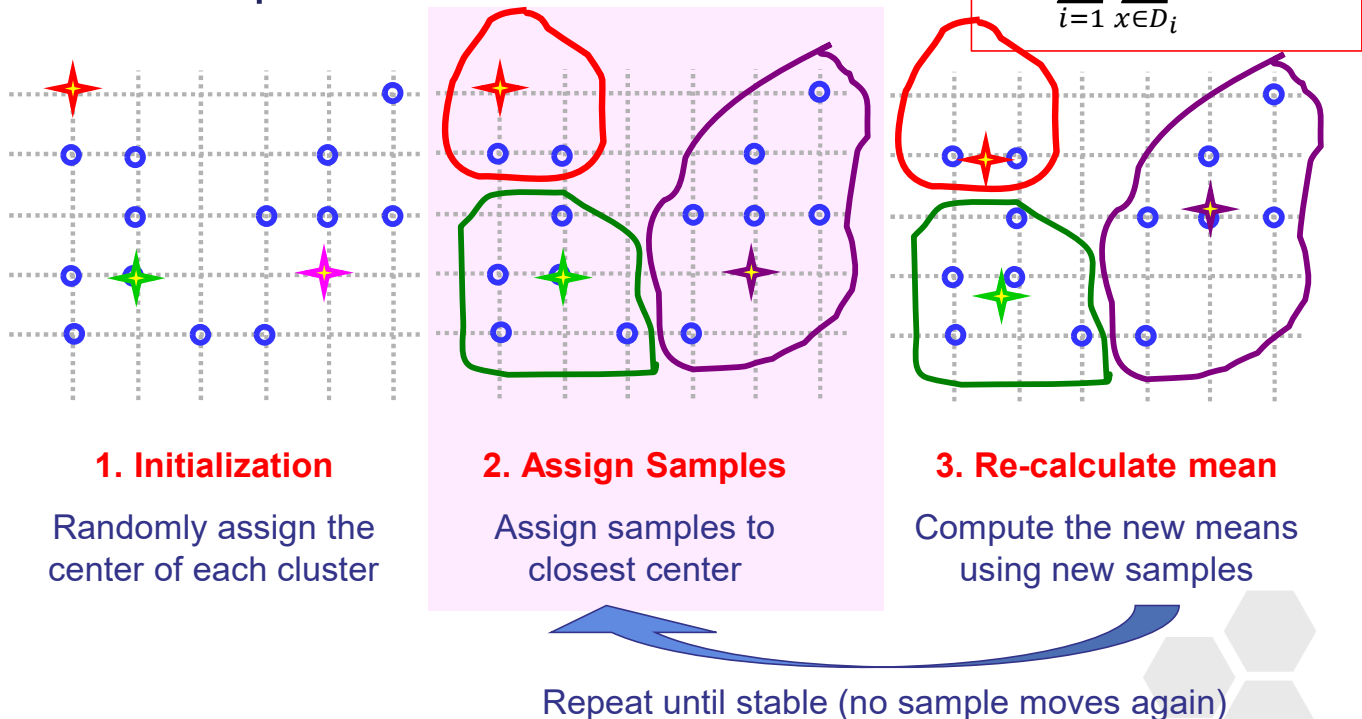
- ◆ A well-known technique: **K-means**
 - Assume there are k clusters
 - Minimize Criterion Function (Intra-class scatter):
$$S = \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{x \in D_i} \|x - \mu_i\|^2$$
$$\mu_i = \frac{1}{n_i} \sum_{x \in D_i} x$$

k : the number of cluster
 n_i : the number of samples in cluster i
 D_i : the set of samples in cluster i
 - In each iteration, assign a sample to its closest cluster



K-means

- ◆ Example: **$k=3$**

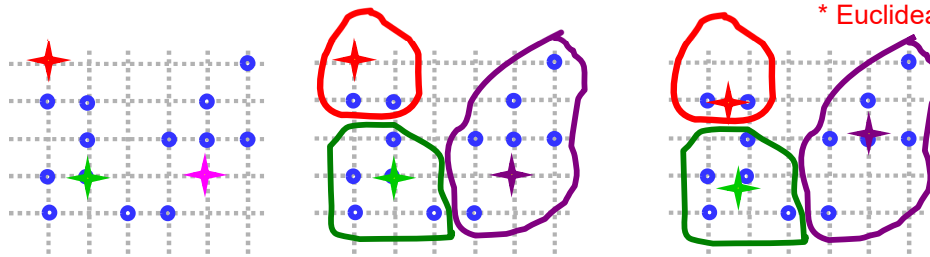




Clustering: Iterative Optimization Algorithm

K-means

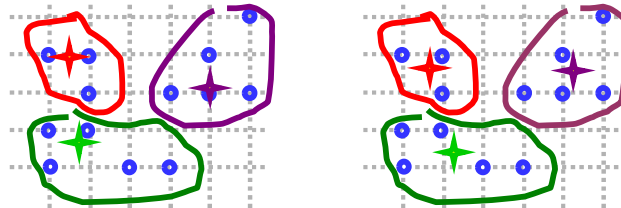
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step



* Euclidean Distance is used

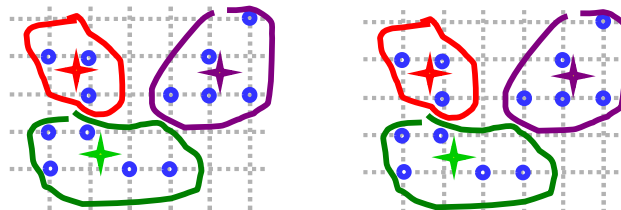
Centers are
changed

2nd
step



Centers are
changed

3rd
step



Centers are
not changed
K-means
Stops

$$S = \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{x \in D_i} \|x - \mu_i\|^2$$

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Clustering: Iterative Optimization Algorithm

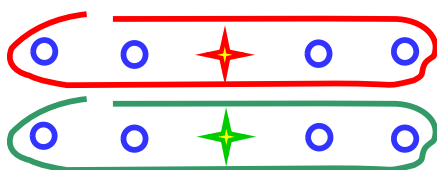
K-means

◆ Pros:

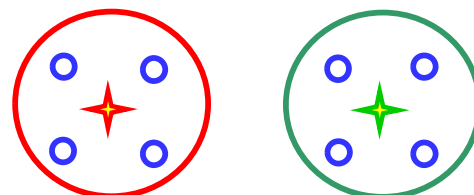
- Optimize the objective function efficiently
- Algorithm converges

◆ Cons:

- May be trapped at local minimum (similar to gradient descent)



Trapped at Local Minimum



Global Minimum

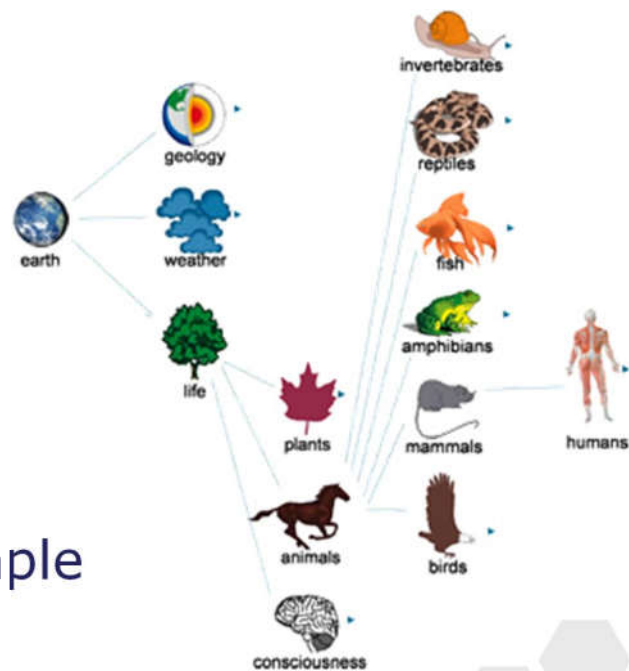
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- ◆ Sometimes, **clusters have subclusters, and so on**
 - A cluster can further be broken down into smaller clusters
- ◆ Hierarchical cluster
- ◆ Taxonomy is an example



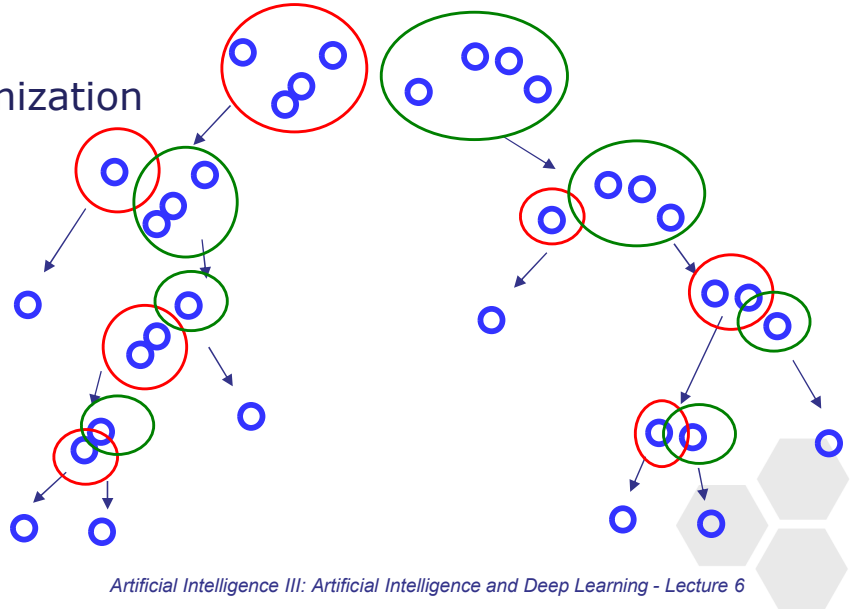
- ◆ Two types:
 - **Top Down Approach**
 - Start with 1 cluster
 - One cluster contains all samples
 - Form hierarchy by splitting the most dissimilar clusters
 - **Bottom Up Approach**
 - Start with n clusters
 - Each cluster contains one sample
 - Form hierarchy by merging the most similar clusters
 - Not efficient if a large number of samples but a number of clusters is needed



Top Down Approach

- ◆ Start from **one cluster**
- ◆ **Break down a cluster** with more than one sample **into two**

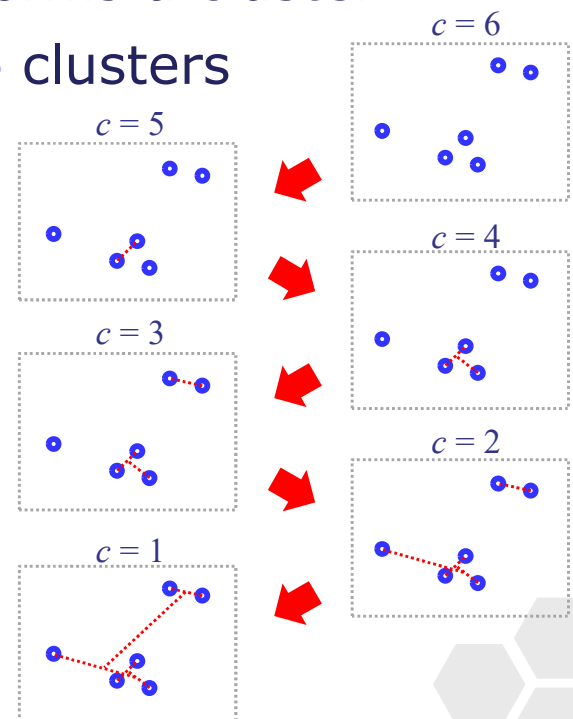
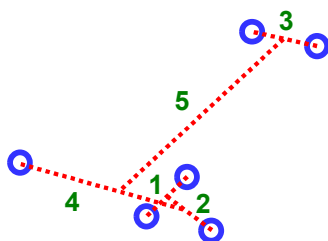
- ◆ Any Iterative Optimization Algorithm can be applied by setting $c = 2$



Bottom Up Approach

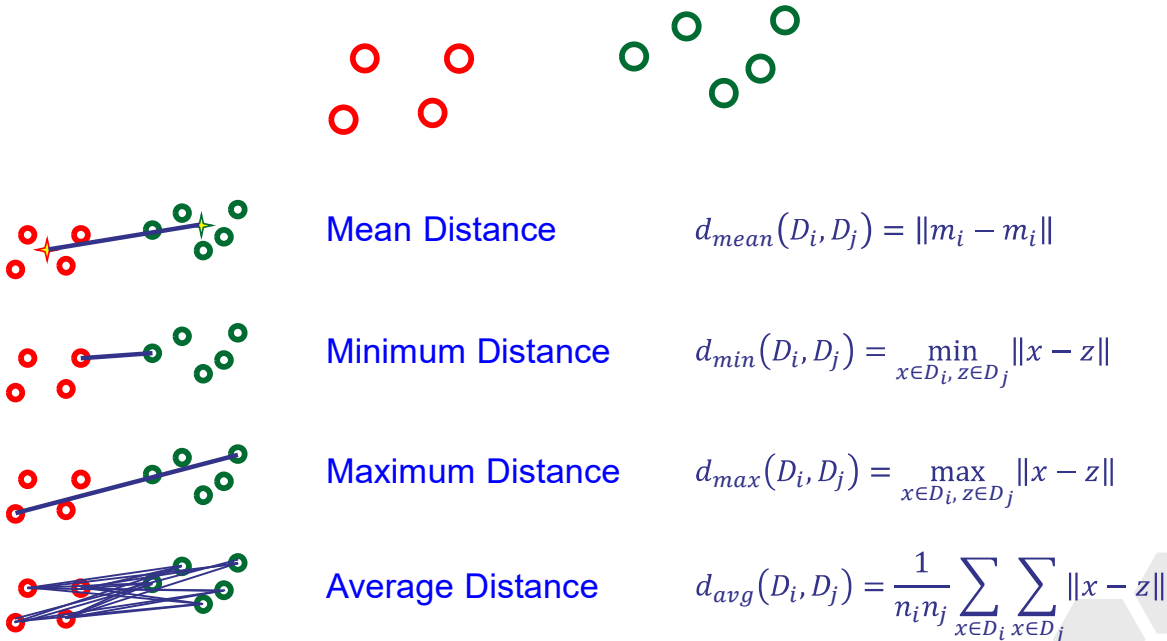
* Euclidean Distance is used

- ◆ Initially each sample forms a cluster
- ◆ **Merge the nearest two clusters** until one cluster left

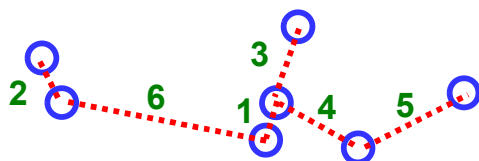




- ◆ How to calculate distance between clusters?

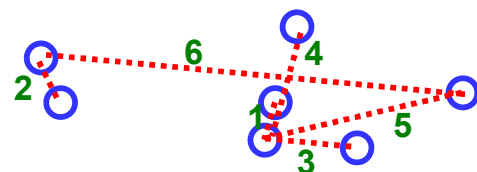


- ◆ **Single Linkage (Nearest-Neighbor)**
 - Minimum Distance is used
 - Encourage growth of elongated clusters
- ◆ **Complete Linkage (Farthest Neighbor)**
 - Maximum Distance is used
 - Encourages compact clusters



Single Linkage

Min distance between points of each cluster



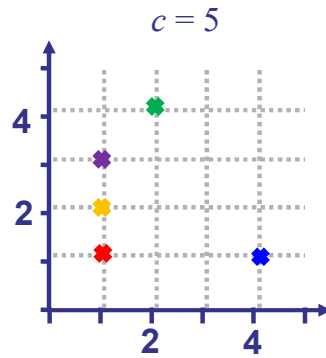
Complete Linkage

Max distance between points of each cluster

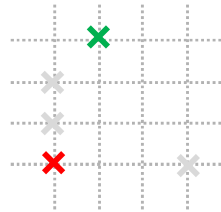


Single Linkage: Example 1/4

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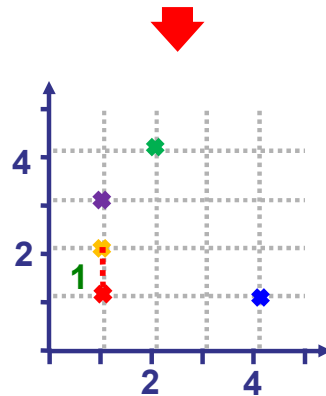


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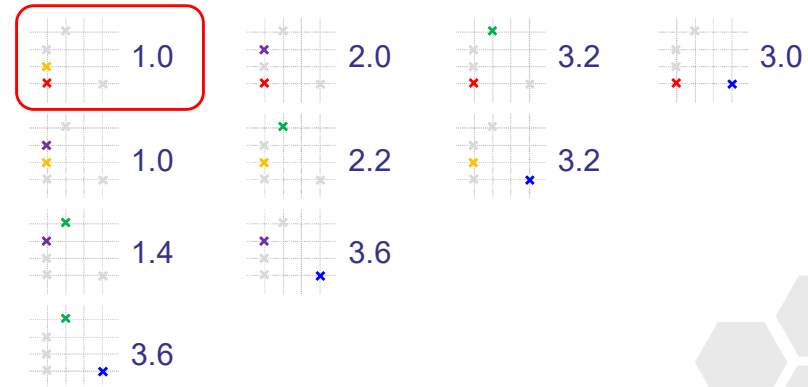


$$d((1,1), (2,4)) = \sqrt{(1-2)^2 + (1-4)^2} = 3.2$$

$$\min(3.2) = 3.2$$

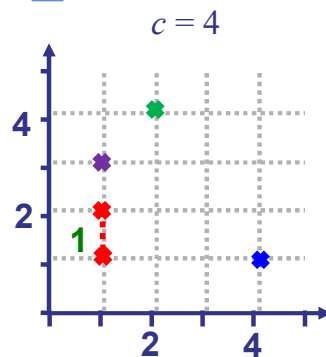


More than one choices

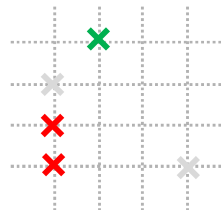


Single Linkage: Example 2/4

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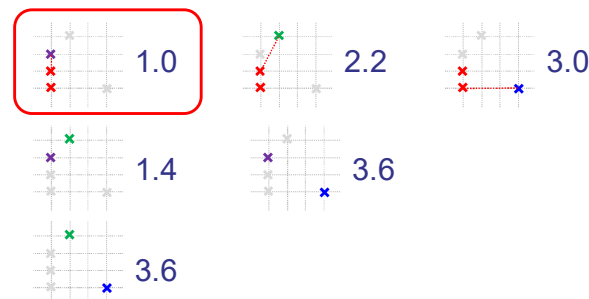
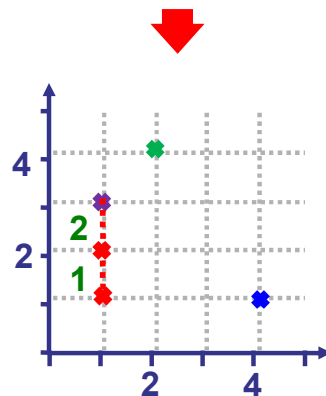
Example:



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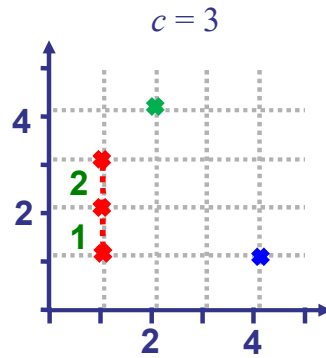
$$\min(3.2, 2.2) = 2.2$$



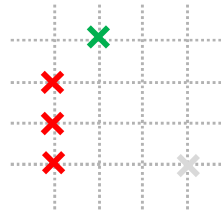


Single Linkage: Example 3/4

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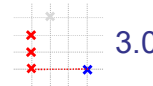
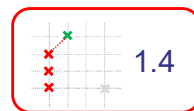
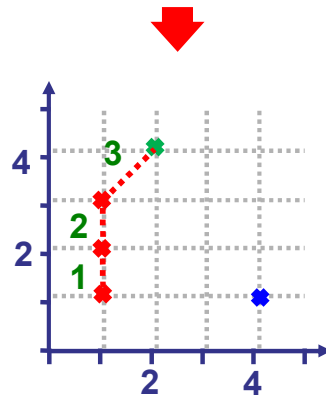


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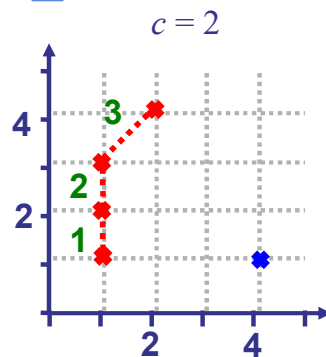
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$$\min(3.2, 2.2, 1.4) = 1.4$$

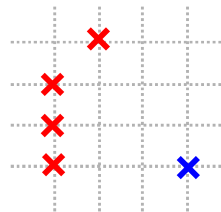


Single Linkage: Example 4/4

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Example:



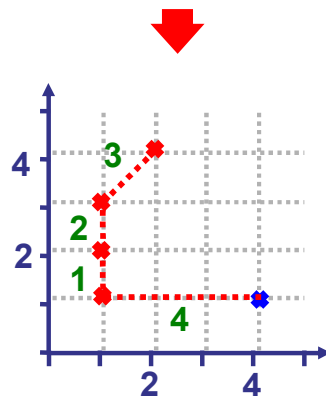
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$$d((1,3), (2,4)) = \sqrt{(1-2)^2 + (3-4)^2} = 3.6$$

$$d((1,4), (2,4)) = \sqrt{(1-2)^2 + (4-4)^2} = 1.0$$

$$\min(3.0, 3.2, 3.6, 1.0) = 1.0$$

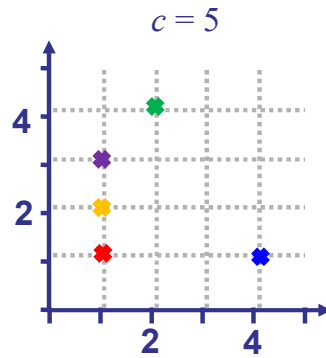


* This step is unnecessary as only one candidate

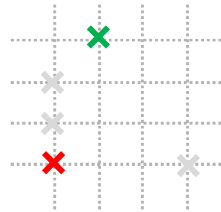


Complete Linkage: Example 1/4

* Euclidean Distance is used



Example:

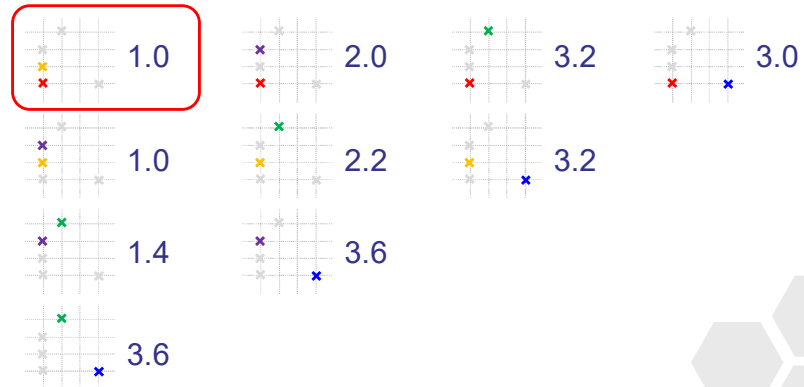


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$$\max(3.2) = 3.2$$

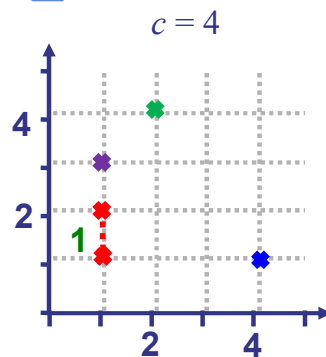
* This step is the same as Single Linkage since distance measure of clusters with one point is the same

More than one choices

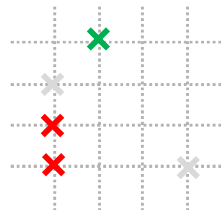


Complete Linkage: Example 2/4

* Euclidean Distance is used



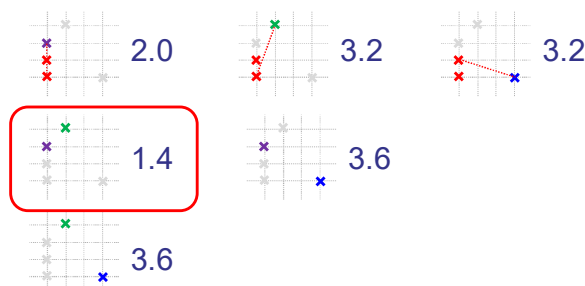
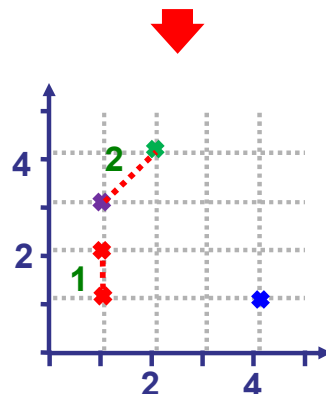
Example:



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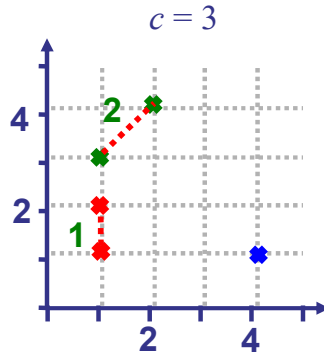
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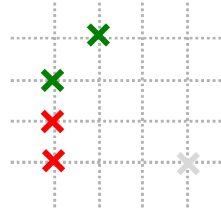


Complete Linkage: Example 3/4

* Euclidean Distance is used



Example:



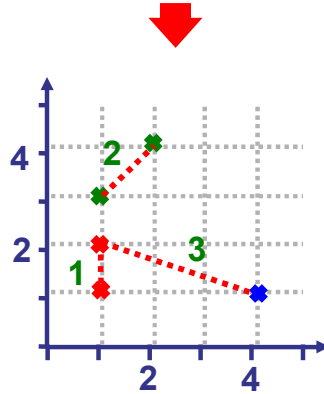
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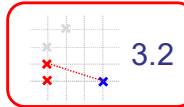
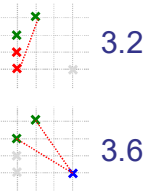
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$$d((1,2), (2,4)) = \sqrt{(1-2)^2 + (2-4)^2} = 2.2$$

$$\max(2.0, 3.2, 1.0, 2.2) = 3.2$$

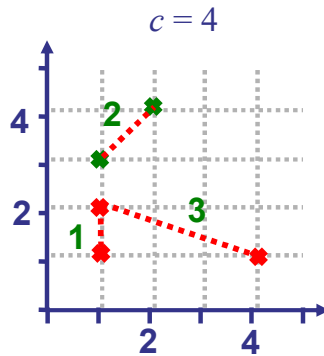


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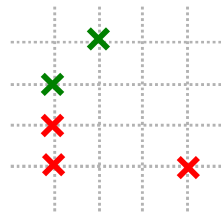


Complete Linkage: Example 4/4

* Euclidean Distance is used



Example:



$$d((1,1), (1,3)) = \sqrt{(1-1)^2 + (1-3)^2} = 2.0$$

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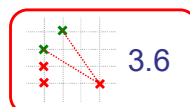
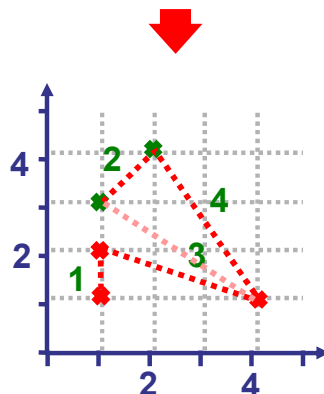
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$$d((4,1), (2,4)) = \sqrt{(4-2)^2 + (1-4)^2} = 3.6$$

$$\max(2.0, 3.2, 1.0, 2.2, 3.6, 3.6) = 3.6$$



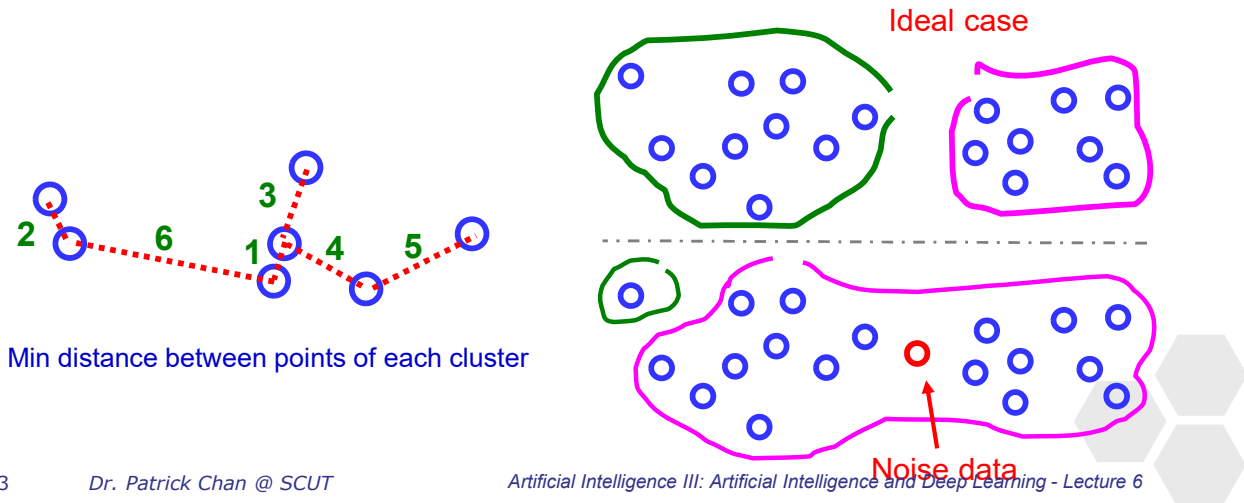
* This step is unnecessary as only one candidate



Bottom Up Approach

◆ Single Linkage (Nearest-Neighbor)

- Minimum Distance is used
- Encourage growth of elongated clusters
- Disadvantage: Sensitive to noise



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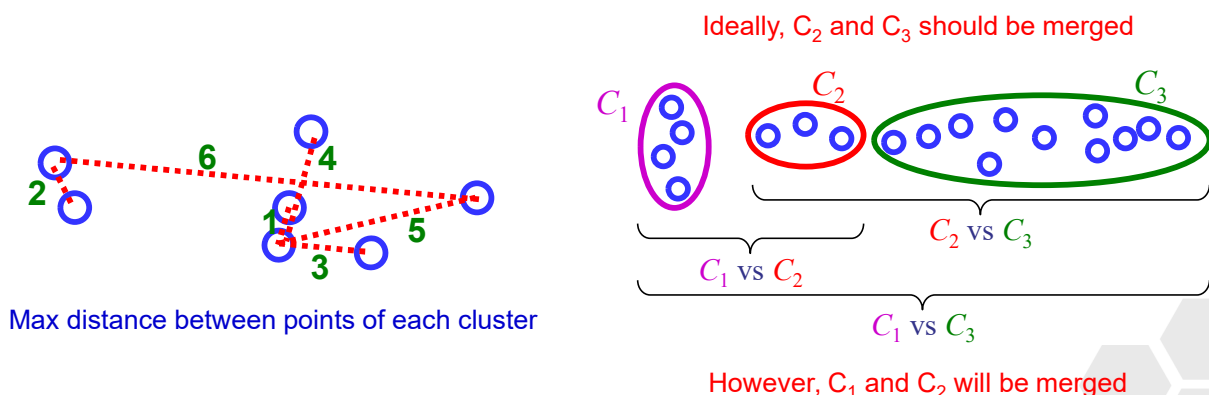
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Bottom Up Approach

◆ Complete Linkage (Farthest Neighbor)

- Maximum Distance is used
- Encourages compact clusters
- Disadvantage: Does not work well if elongated clusters present



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Bottom Up Approach

- ◆ Minimum and maximum distance are noise sensitive (especially, minimum)
- ◆ More robust result to outlier when average or mean are used

$$d_{avg}(D_i, D_j) = \frac{1}{n_i n_j} \sum_{x \in D_i} \sum_{z \in D_j} \|x - z\|$$

$$d_{mean}(D_i, D_j) = \|m_i - m_j\|$$

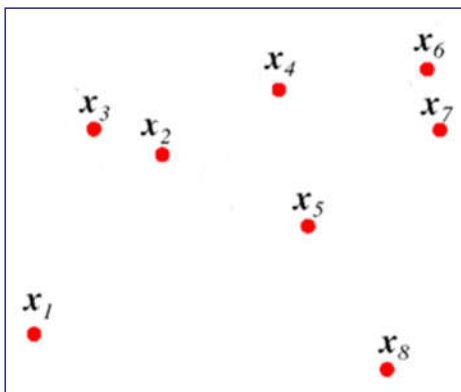
- ◆ Mean is less time consumed than Average distance



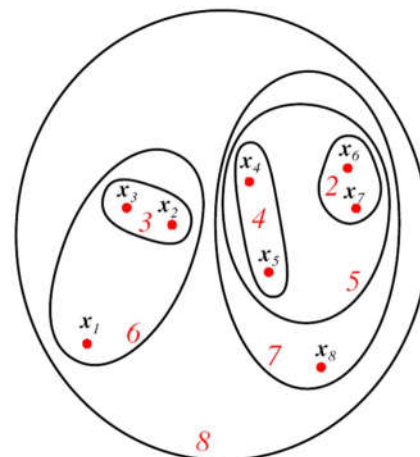
Venn

- ◆ Venn diagram can show hierarchical clustering
- ◆ No quantitative information is provided

Sample points



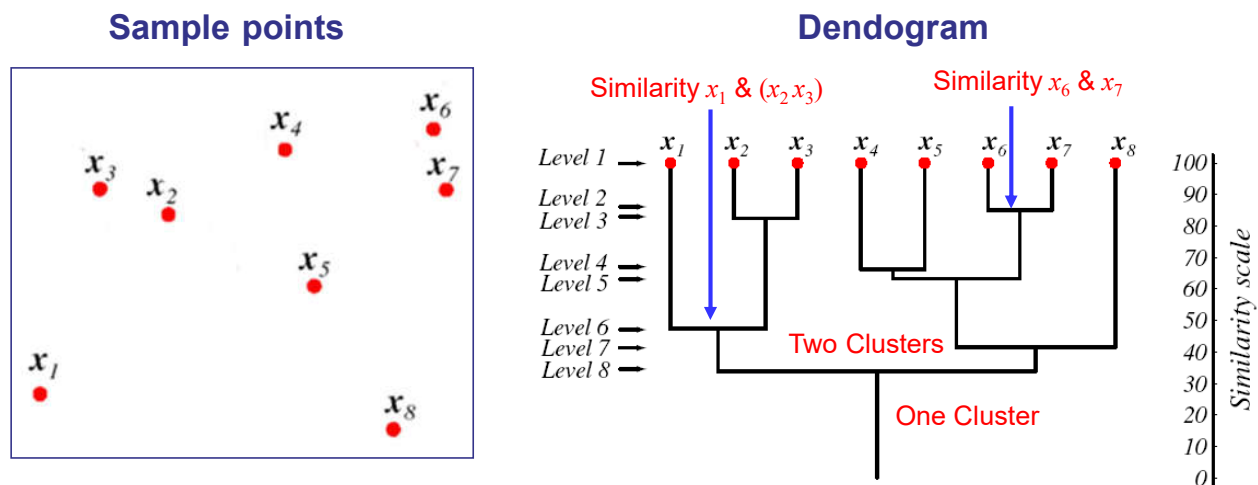
Venn Diagram





Clustering: Hierarchical Clustering Dendrogram

- ◆ **Dendrogram** is another way to represent a hierarchical clustering
- ◆ Able to indicate the similarity value



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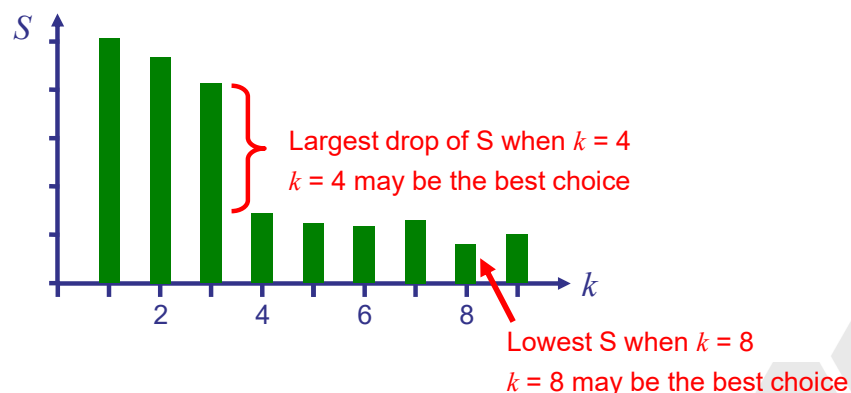
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Clustering Number of Clusters

- ◆ How to decide **the number of clusters**?
- ◆ Possible solution:
 - Try a range of k and see which one has the lowest or largest drop criterion value (S)
 - Example:



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Curse of Dimensionality

- ◆ Real data usually have **plenty of features**
 - E.g., documents, images...
- ◆ Huge number of features causes problems
 - Sparsity
 - Complexity (storage and process)



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Curse of Dimensionality

- ◆ Can the data be **described with fewer dimensions**, without losing much of its original meaning?
- ◆ **Dimensionality Reduction**
 - Not just **reduce** the amount of **data**
 - Often brings out the **useful part** of the data



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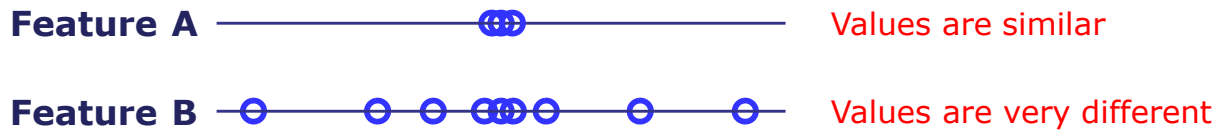
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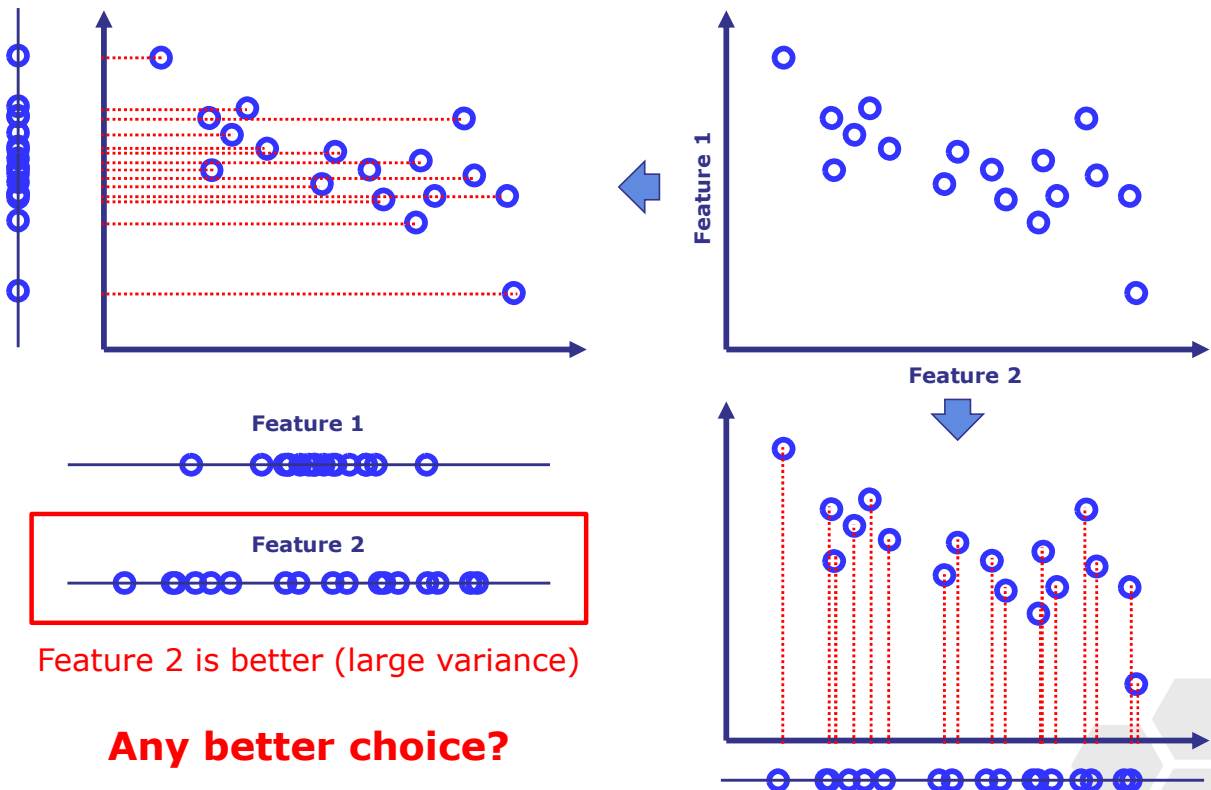
- ◆ For unsupervised learning, which feature is more **useful** to represent a dataset?



- ◆ A feature with **different values** provides **more information**
 - Variance is one of measures

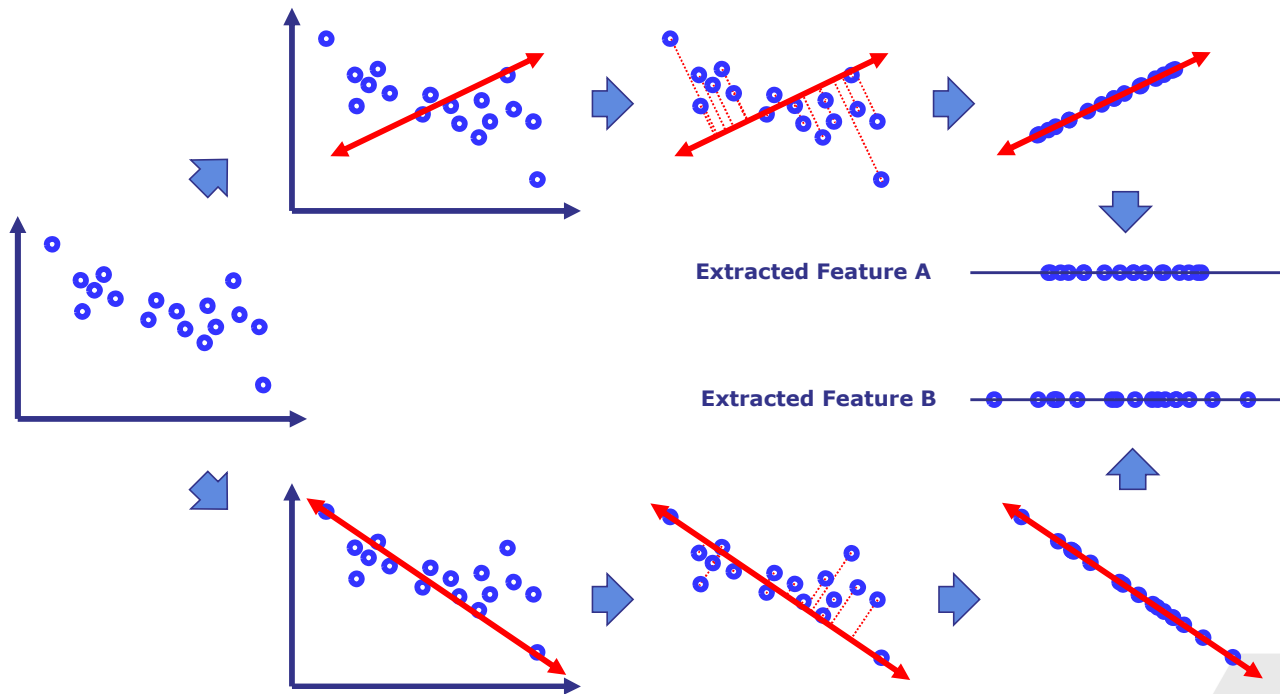


Feature Reduction





Feature Reduction



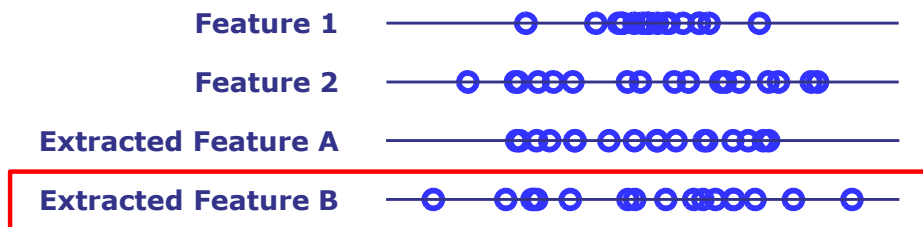
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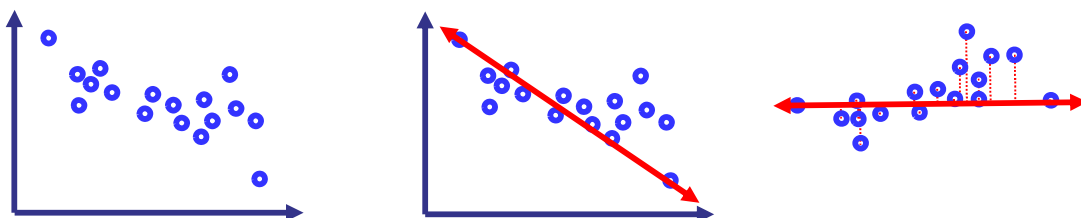
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Feature Reduction



- ◆ Extracted Feature B is the best for representing the data



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Principal Components Analysis

- ◆ PCA reduces data by geometrically projecting them onto lower dimensions called principal components (PCs)
- ◆ Project a dataset into a new set of features such that:
 - The features have zero covariance to each other (they are orthogonal)
 - Each feature captures the most remaining variance in the data, while orthogonal to the existing feature

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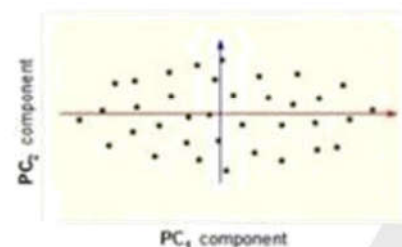
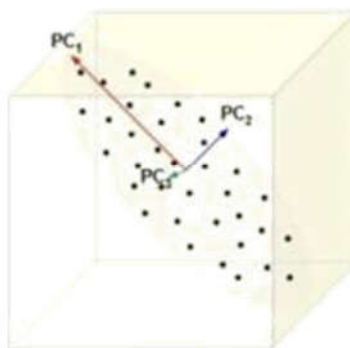
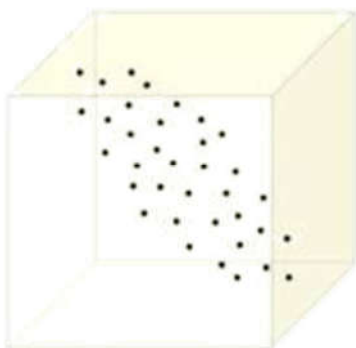
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Principal Components Analysis

- ◆ **First** principal component (PC) is the direction of greatest variability (variance) in the data
- ◆ **Second** PC is the next orthogonal (uncorrelated) direction of greatest variability
- ◆ And so on..



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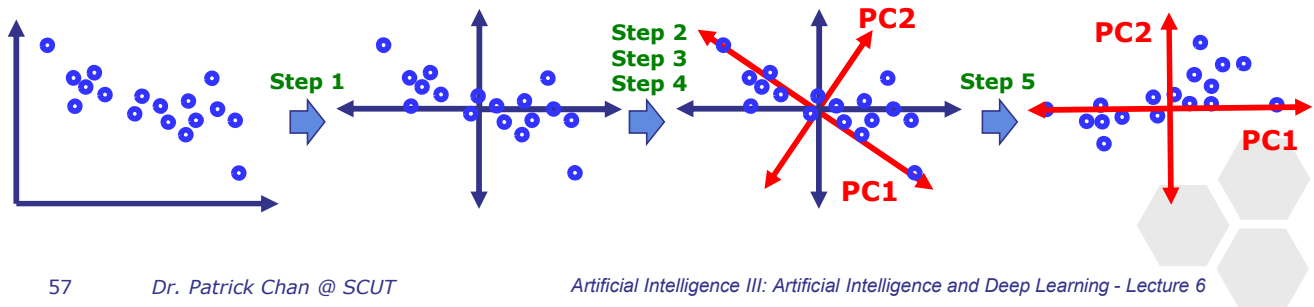
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Principal Components Analysis

1. **Standardize** the dataset
2. Calculate the **covariance matrix** for the features in the dataset
3. Calculate the **eigenvalues** and **eigenvectors** for the covariance matrix.
4. **Pick top k eigenvalues** and form their eigenvectors
5. Transform the original matrix



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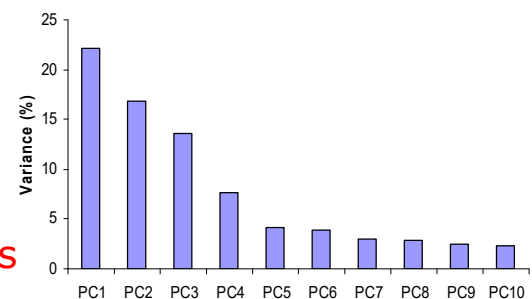


Principal Components Analysis

PC number Determination

- ◆ A feature with **small eigenvalue** contains **small information**

- **n dimensions** in original data
- **Choose** only the **first p eigenvectors**, based on their eigenvalues ($p < n$)
- Final data has **only p dimensions**



- ◆ How to determine k?

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- ◆ Determine by **projection error**

$$\frac{\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(x^{(i)} - z_k(x^{(i)}) \right)^2}{\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^n (x^{(i)})^2} \leq \varepsilon$$

where:

$x^{(i)}$: the i^{th} sample

$z_k(x^{(i)})$: the i^{th} sample with k PCs

ε : allowed error

- ◆ Determine by **variation ratio**

$$\frac{\sum_{j=1}^k \sigma_j^2}{\sum_{j=1}^n \sigma_j^2} \approx r$$

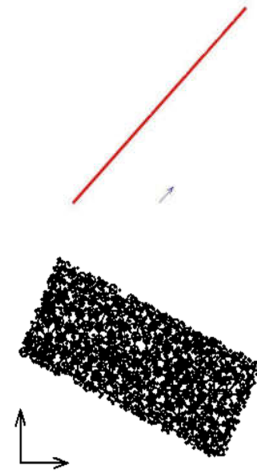
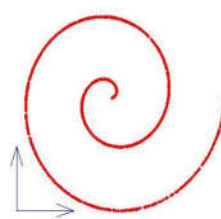
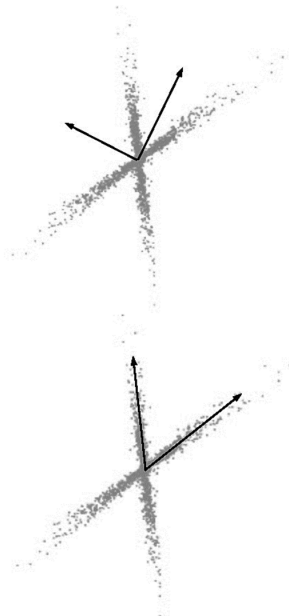
where:

σ_j : the j^{th} variance in descending order

r : expected ratio (e.g. 85%)



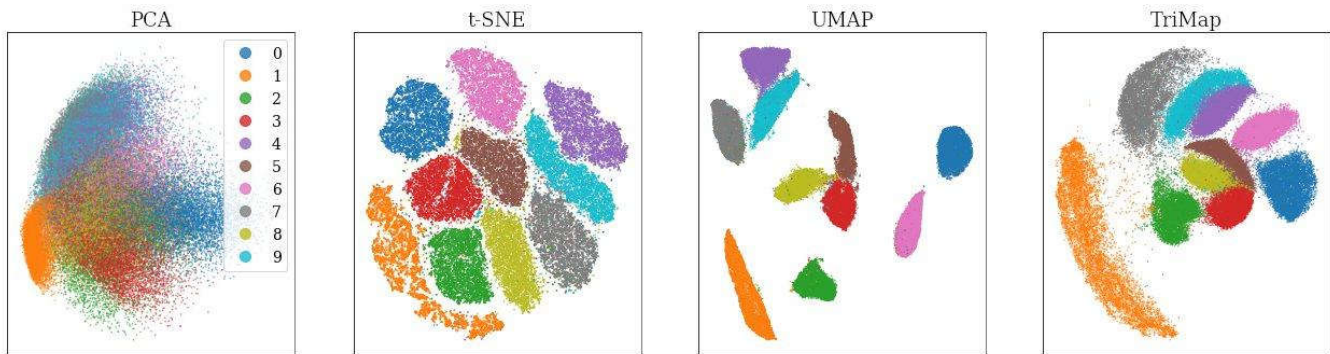
- Orthogonal Feature
- Non-linear projection





Principal Components Analysis

◆ Other feature extraction methods



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