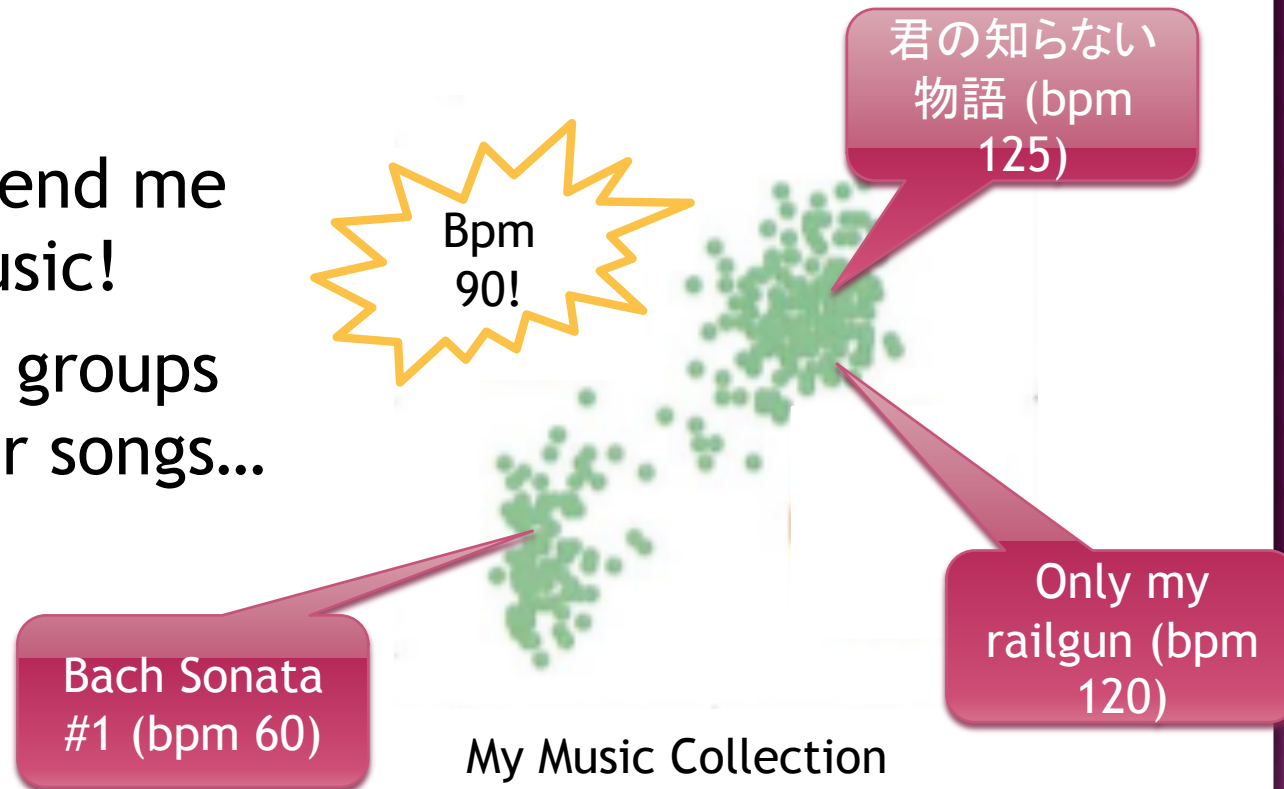


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Expectation Maximization and
Mixture of Gaussians

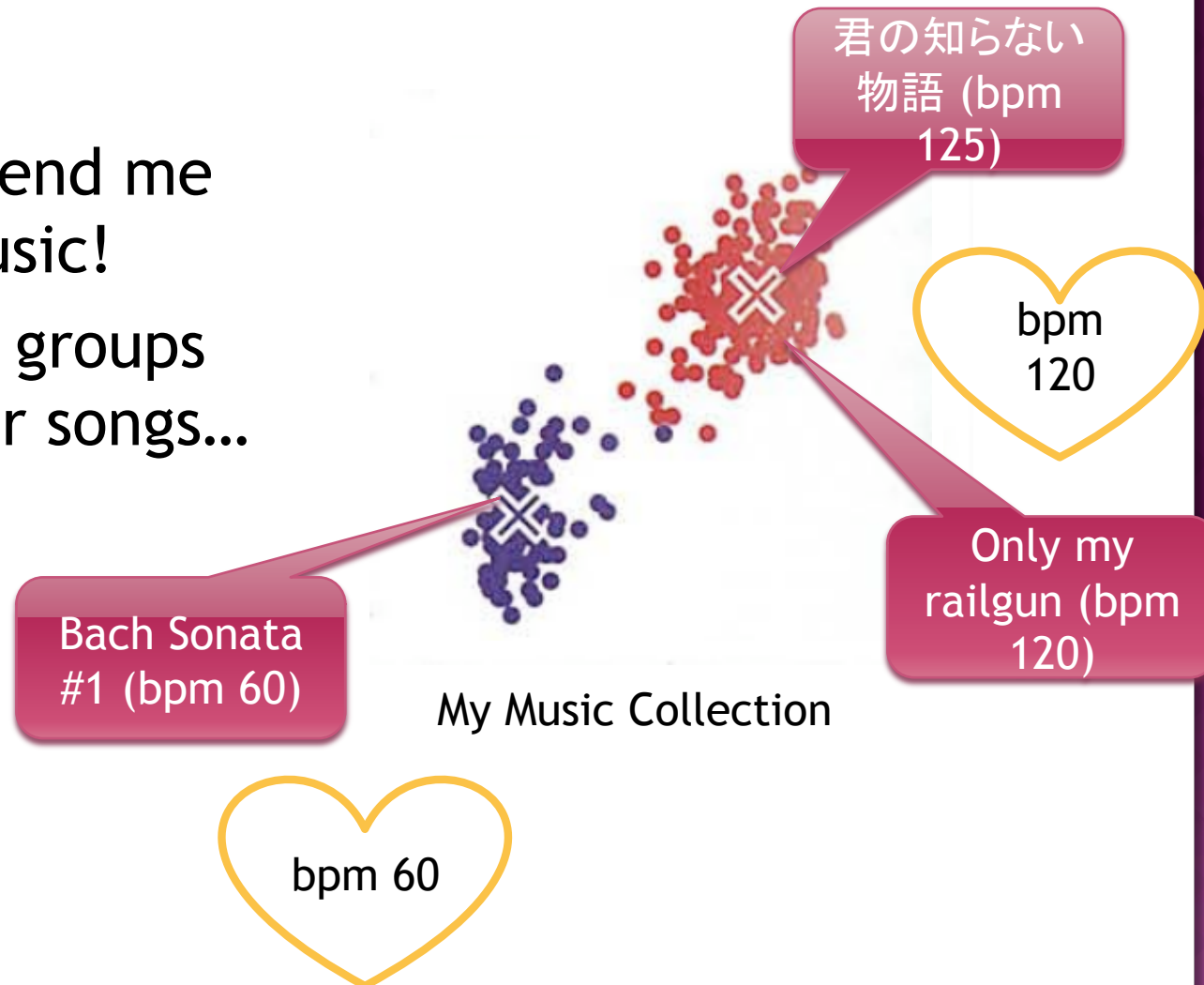
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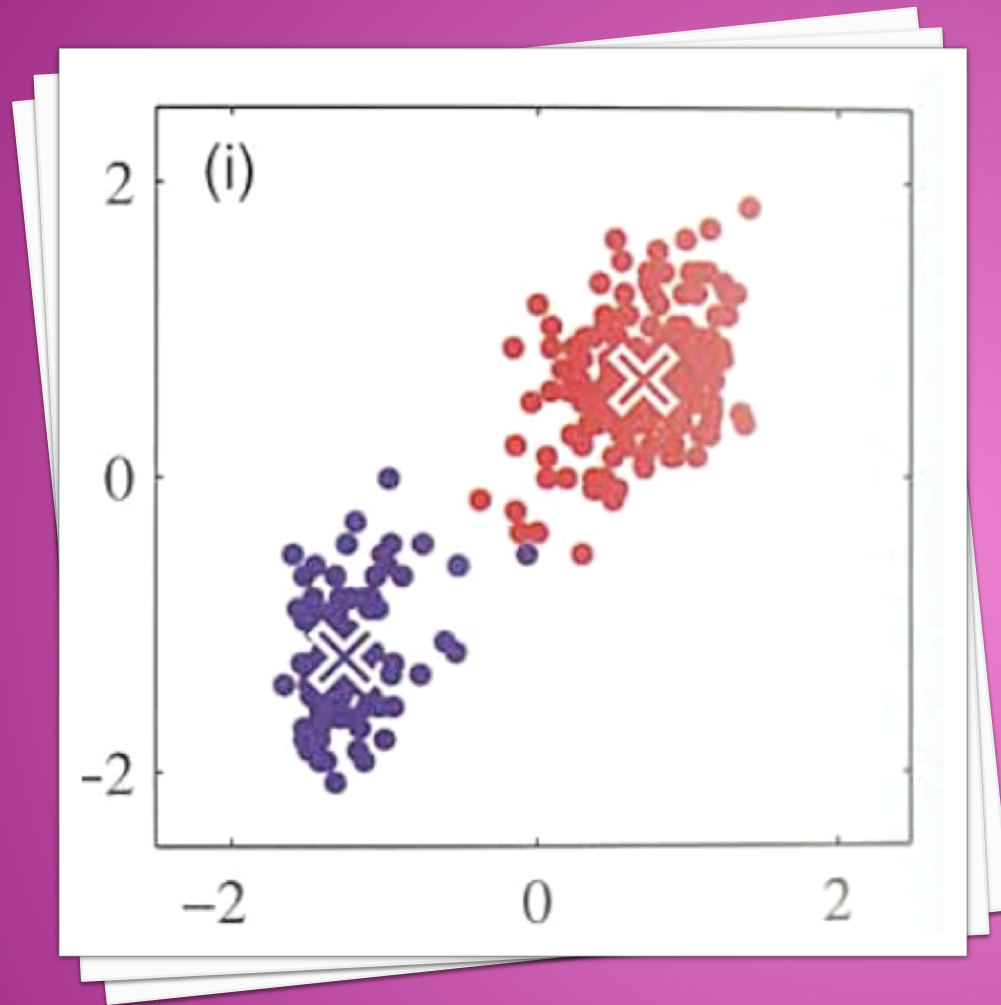
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- ◉ Discover groups of similar songs...



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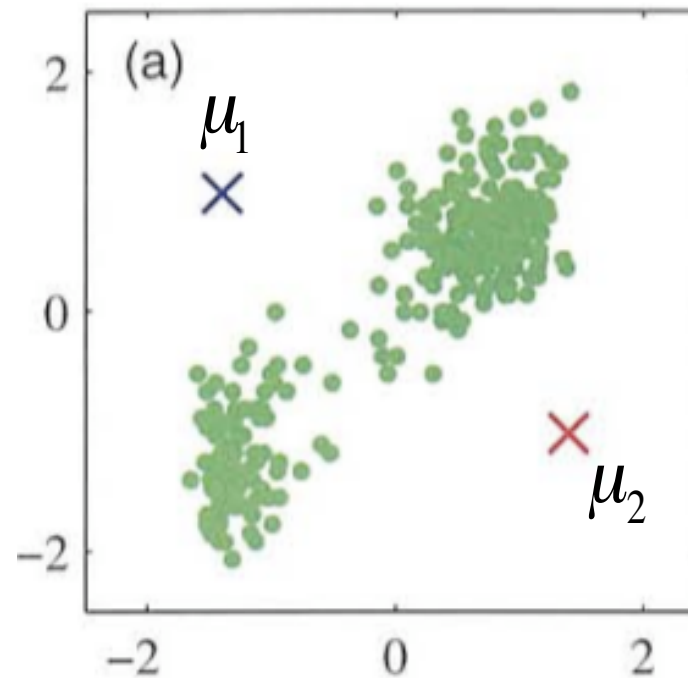
9.1 K-MEANS CLUSTERING

An unsupervised classifying method

K-MEANS ALGORITHM

1. Initialize K
“means” μ_k , one
for each class

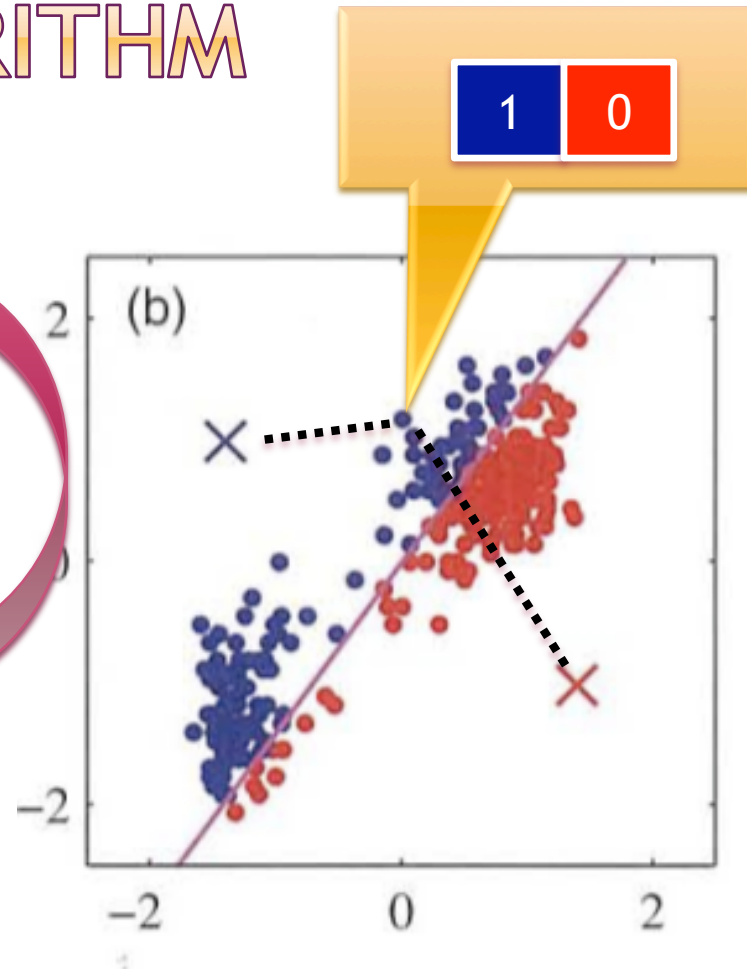
- Eg. Use random starting points, or choose k random points from the set



K=2

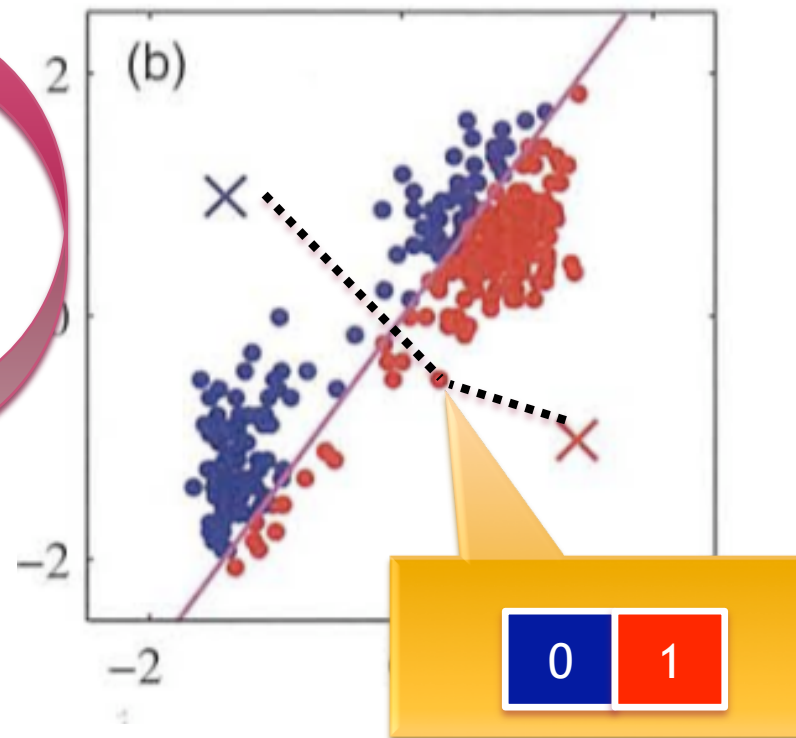
K-MEANS ALGORITHM

2. **Phase 1: Assign** each point to closest mean μ_k
3. **Phase 2: Update** means of the new clusters



K-MEANS ALGORITHM

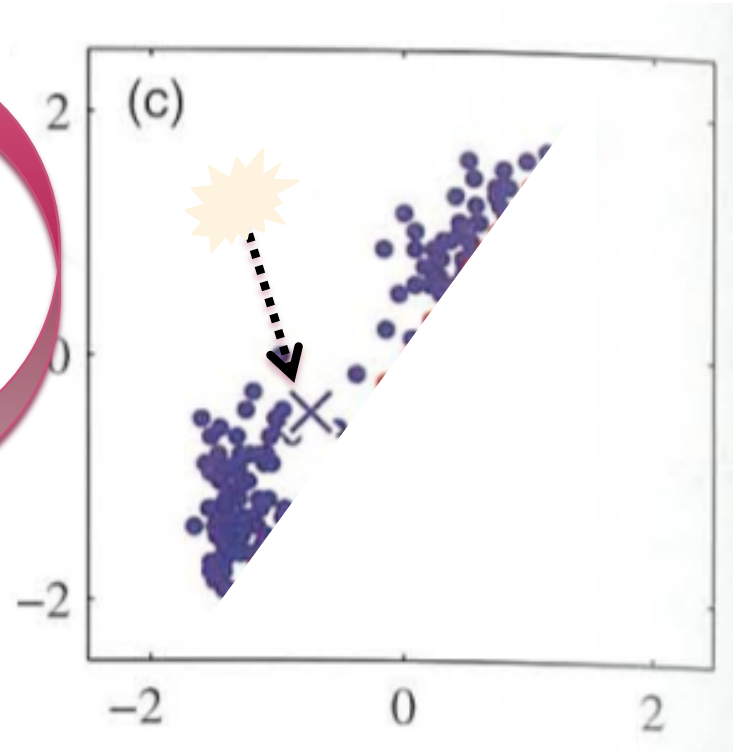
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K-MEANS ALGORITHM

2. Phase 1: Assign each point to closest mean

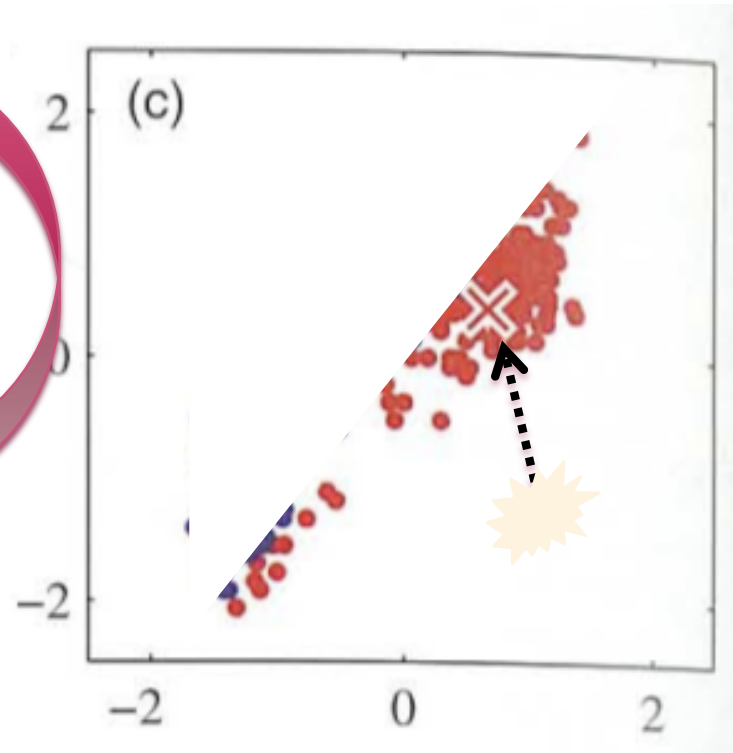
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K-MEANS ALGORITHM

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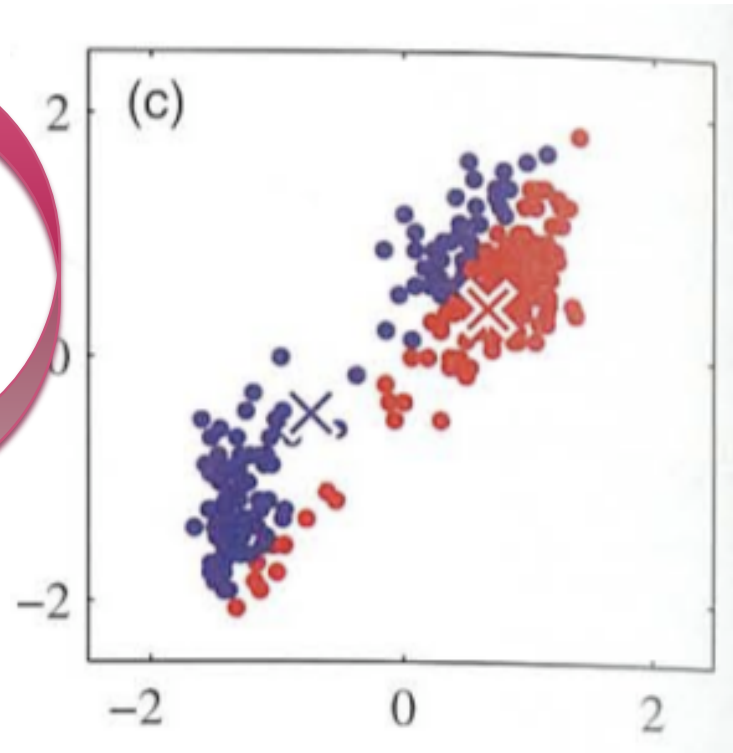
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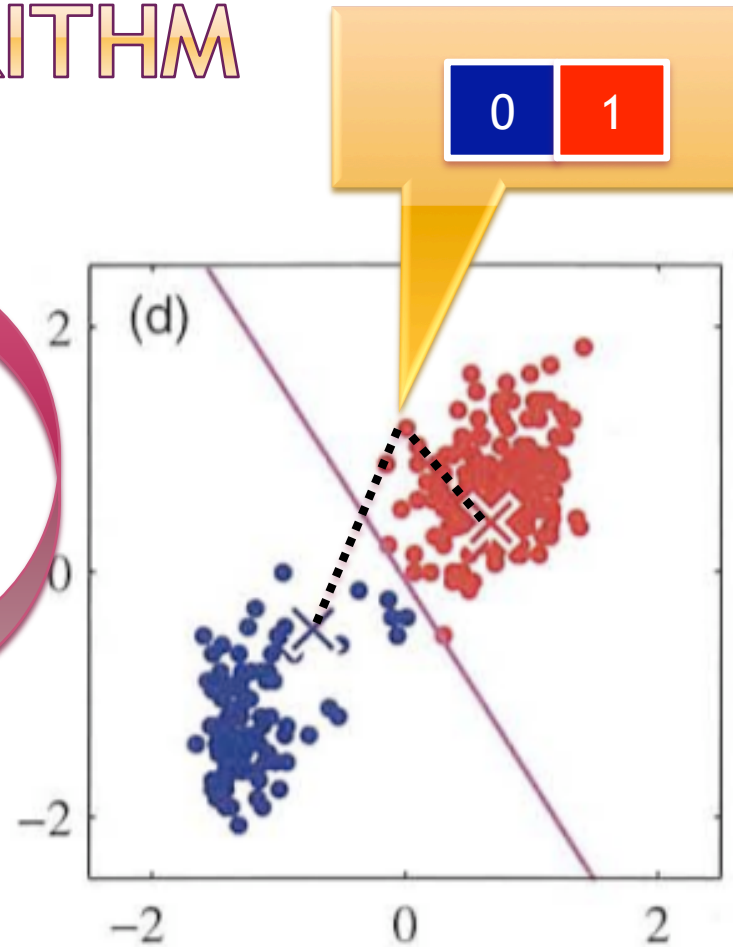
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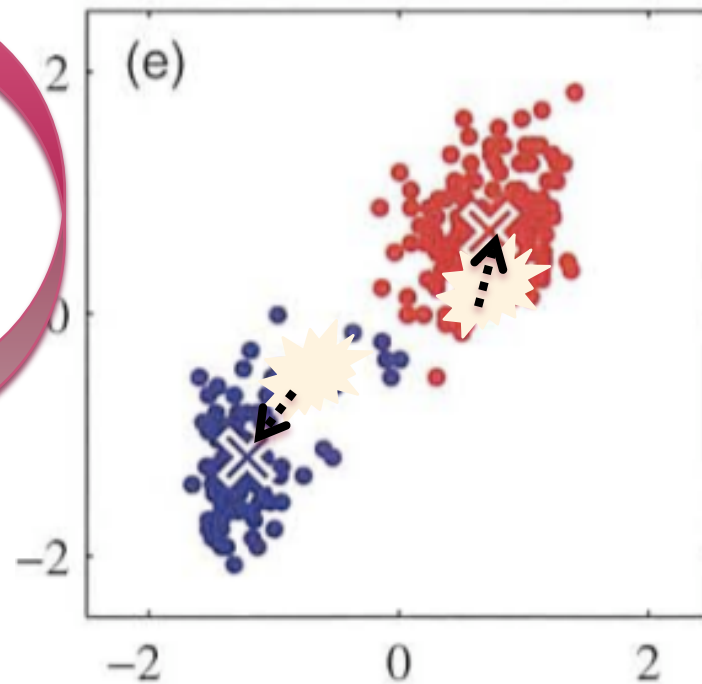
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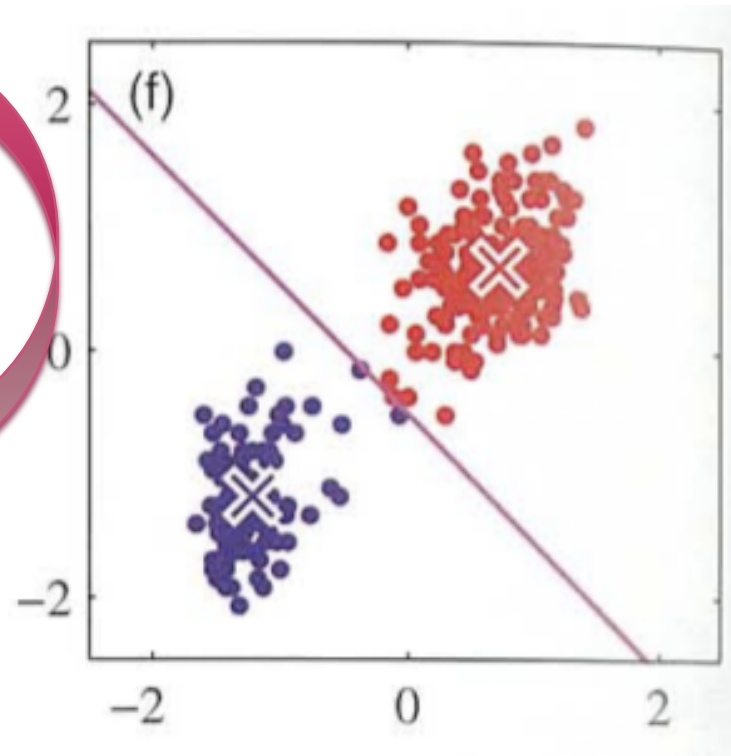
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K-MEANS ALGORITHM

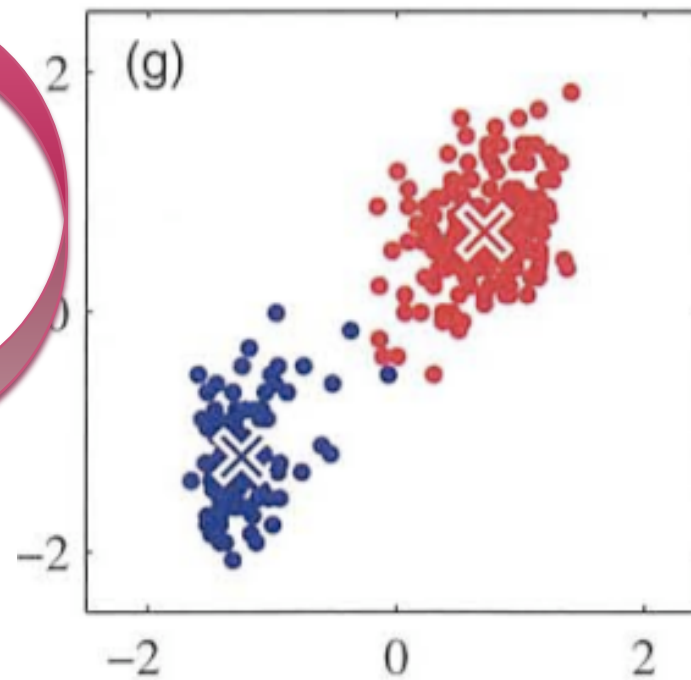
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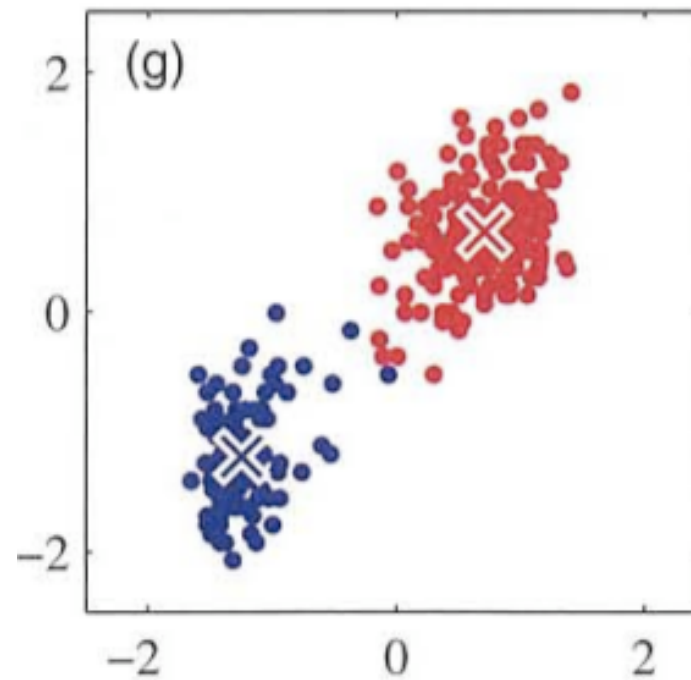
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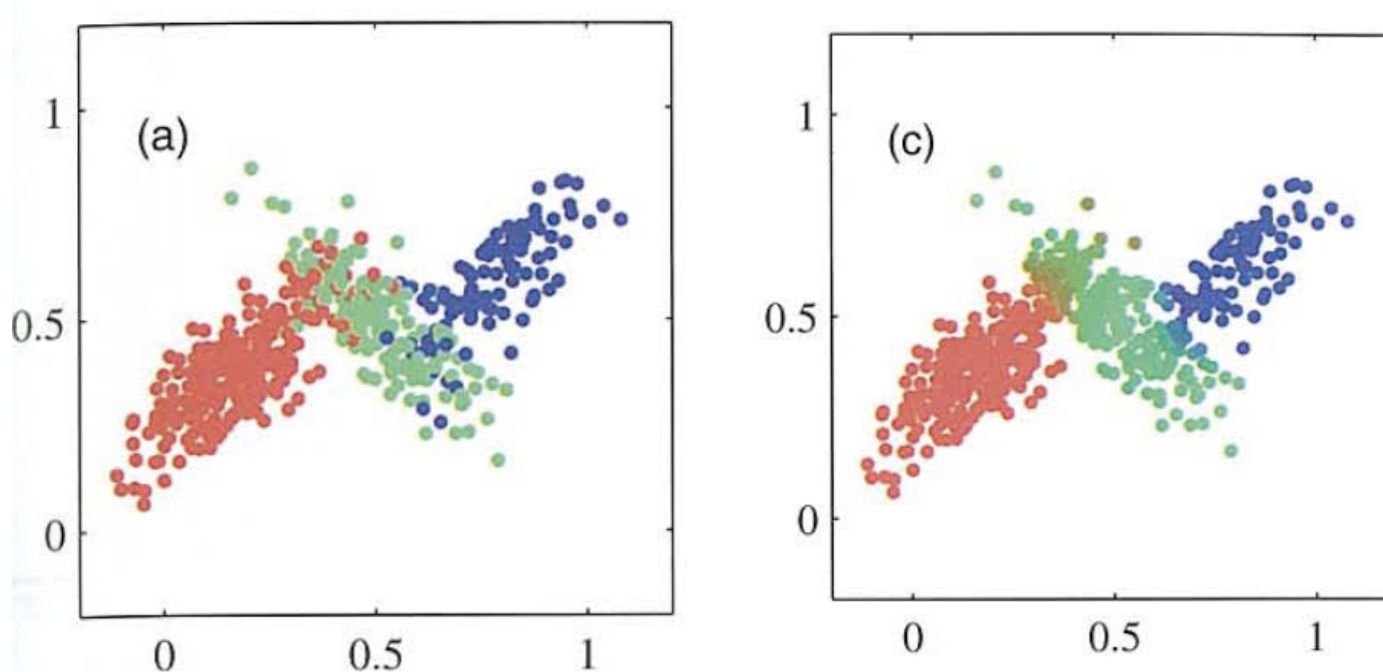
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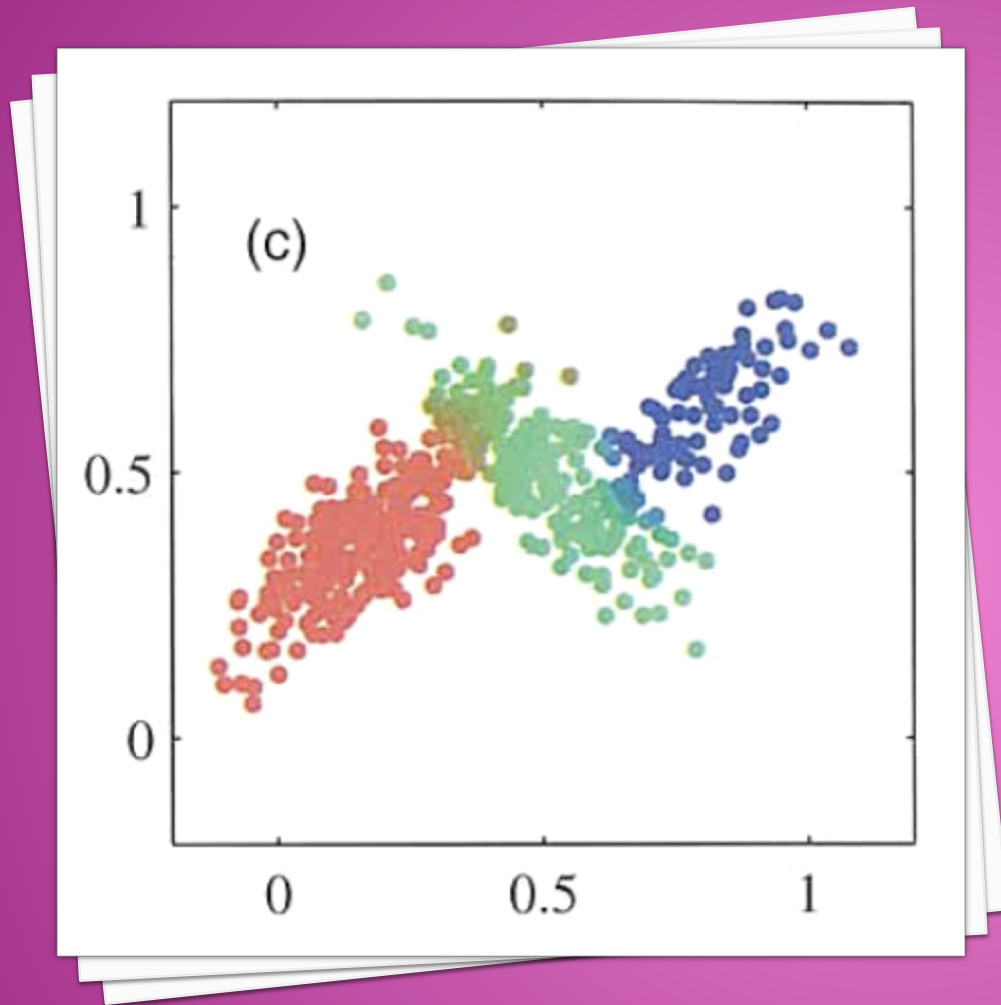
4. When means do not change anymore → clustering DONE.



PROBLEM WITH K-MEANS

- ◉ In K-means, a point can only have 1 class
- ◉ But what about points that lie in between groups? eg. Jazz + Classical





9.2 MIXTURE OF GAUSSIANS

The Famous “GMM”:
Gaussian Mixture Model

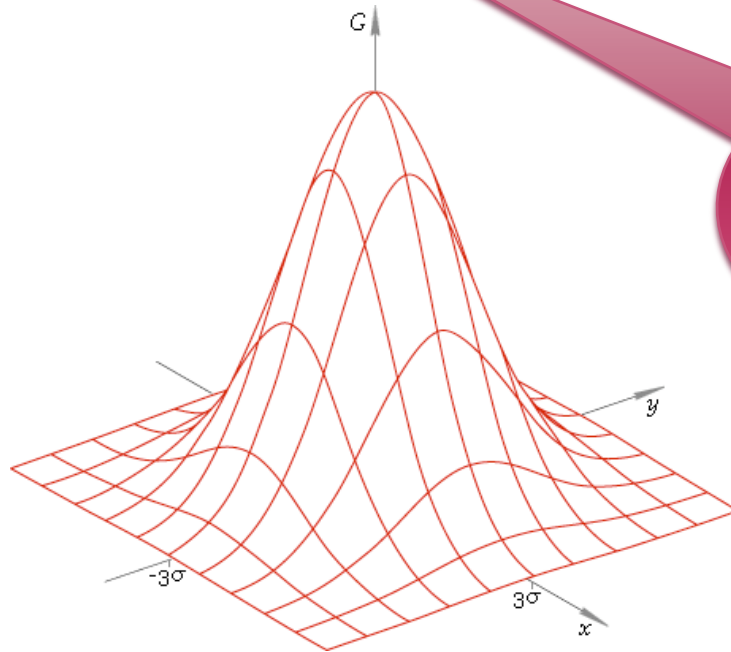
WHAT'S A GAUSSIAN?

$$p(X) = N(X | \mu, \Sigma)$$

Mean

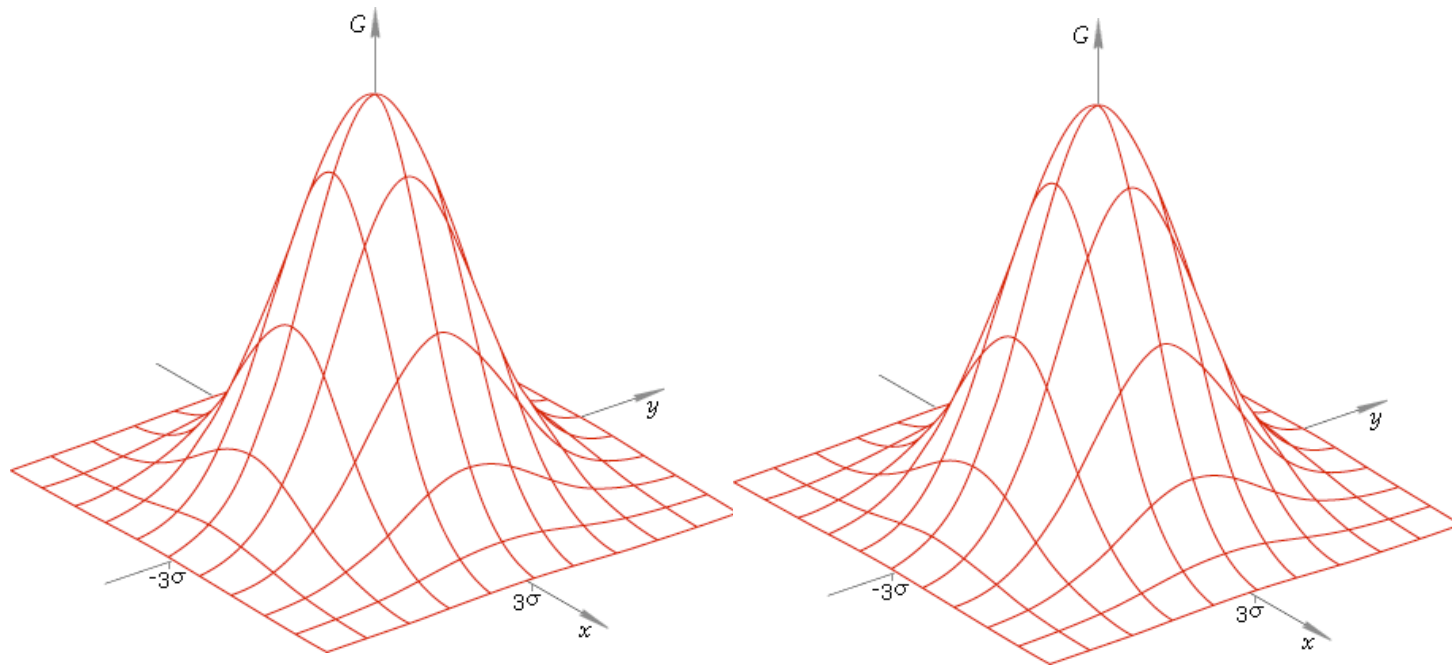
Variance

Gaussian ==
"Normal"
distribution



WHAT'S A GAUSSIAN MIXTURE?

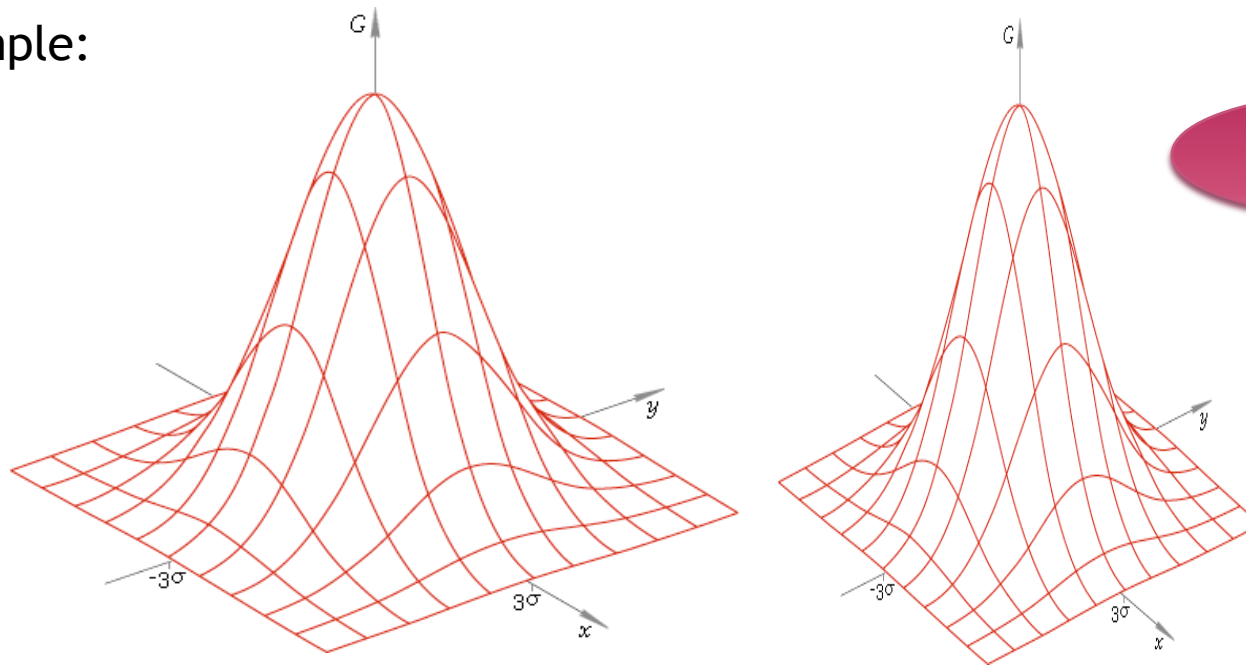
$$p(X) = N(X | \mu, \Sigma) + N(X | \mu, \Sigma)$$



WHAT'S A GAUSSIAN MIXTURE?

$$p(X) = N(X | \mu_1, \Sigma_1) + N(X | \mu_2, \Sigma_2)$$

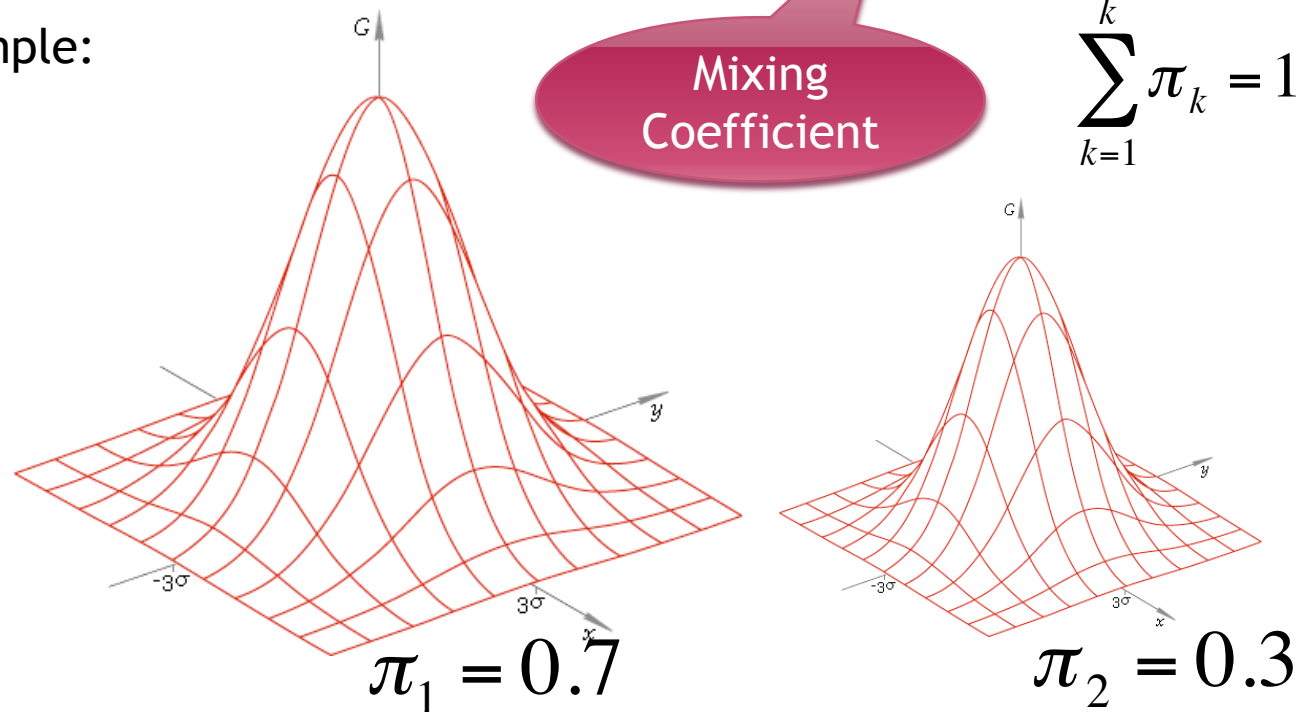
Example:



WHAT'S A GAUSSIAN MIXTURE?

$$p(X) = \pi_1 N(X | \mu_1, \Sigma_1) + \pi_2 N(X | \mu_2, \Sigma_2)$$

Example:

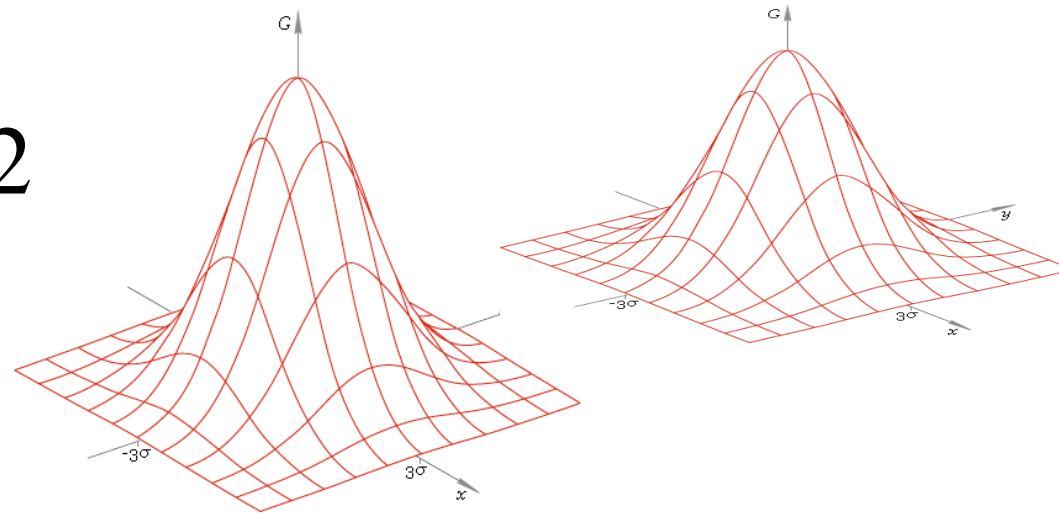


GAUSSIAN MIXTURE DEFINITION

$$p(X) = \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k N(X | \mu_k, \Sigma_k)$$

Example:

$$K = 2$$



K-MEANS → GAUSSIAN MIXTURE

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Parameter to fit to data:

- Mean μ_k

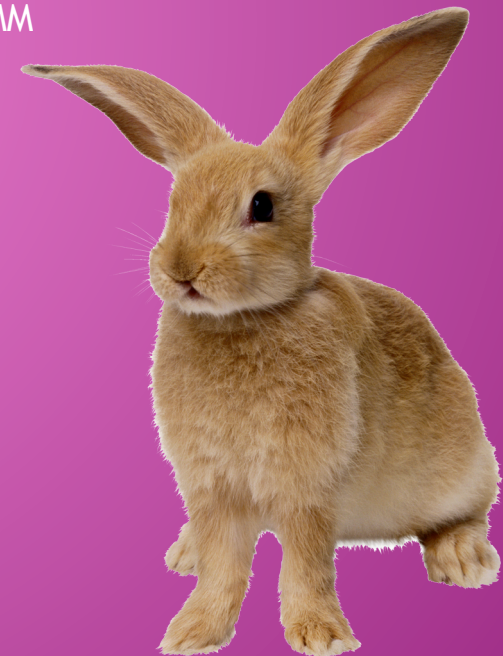
Parameters to fit to data:

- Mean μ_k
- Covariance Σ_k
- Mixing coefficient π_k



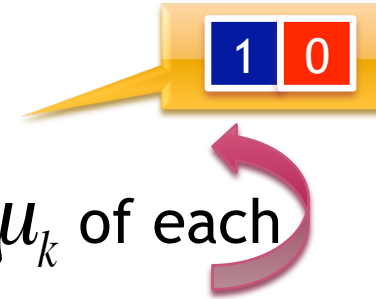
9.2.2 EXPECTATION MAXIMIZATION FOR GAUSSIAN MIXTURES

EM for GMM



K-MEANS ALGORITHM REMINDER

1. Initialize means μ_k
2. E Step: Assign each point to a cluster
3. M Step: Given clusters, refine mean μ_k of each cluster k
4. Stop when change in means is small



EXPECTATION MAXIMIZATION (EM) FOR GAUSSIAN MIXTURES

1. Initialize Gaussian* parameters: means μ_k , covariances Σ_k and mixing coefficients π_k
2. **E Step:** Assign each point X_n an assignment score $\gamma(z_{nk})$ for each cluster k
3. **M Step:** Given scores, adjust μ_k, π_k, Σ_k for each cluster k
4. Evaluate likelihood. If likelihood or parameters converge, stop.



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*There are k Gaussians

EM FOR GAUSSIAN MIXTURES

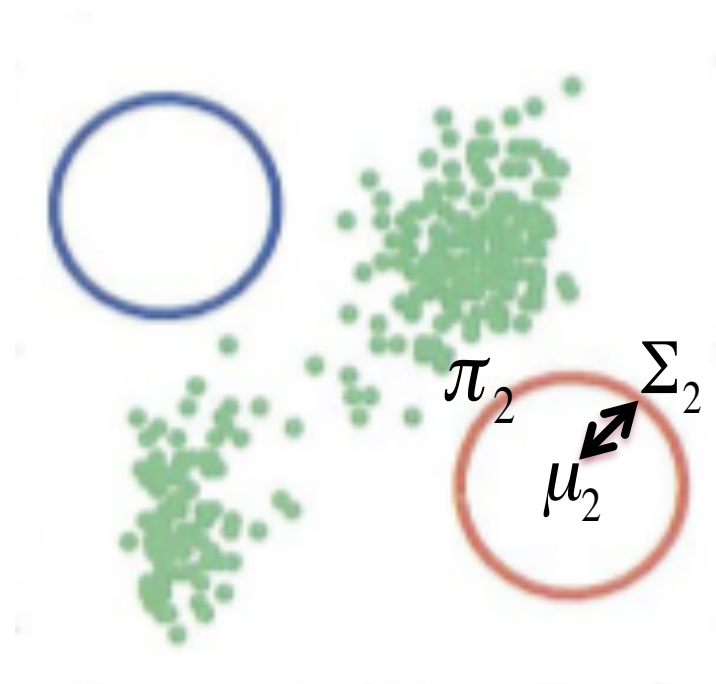
1. Initialize μ_k , Σ_k
 π_k , one for each
Gaussian k

- Tip! Use K-means
result to initialize:

$$\mu_k \leftarrow \mu_k$$

$$\Sigma_k \leftarrow \text{cov}(\text{cluster}(K))$$

$$\pi_k \leftarrow \frac{\text{Number of points in } k}{\text{Total number of points}}$$

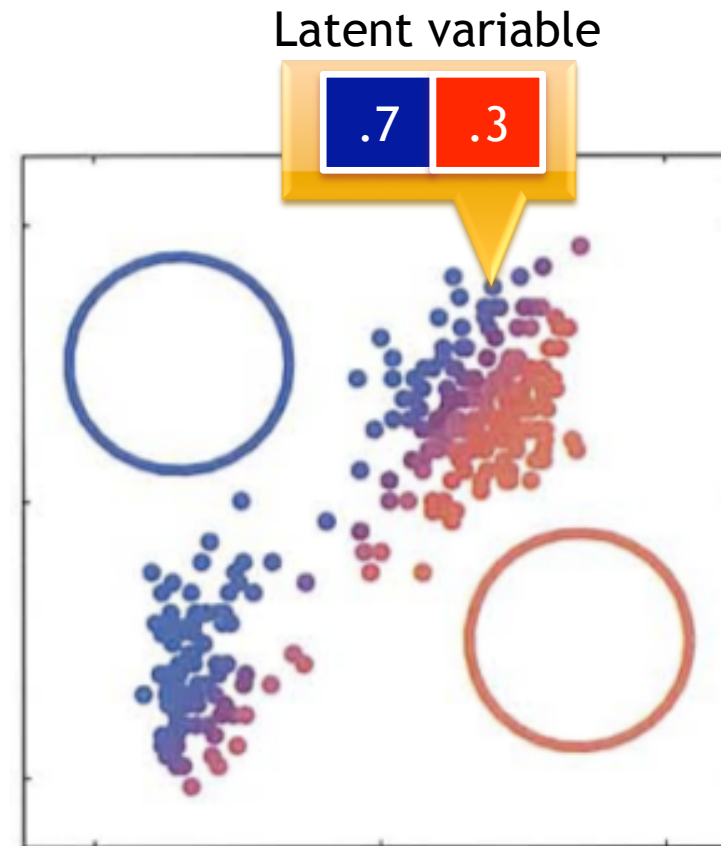


EM FOR GAUSSIAN MIXTURES

2. **E Step:** For each point X_n , determine its assignment score to each Gaussian k :

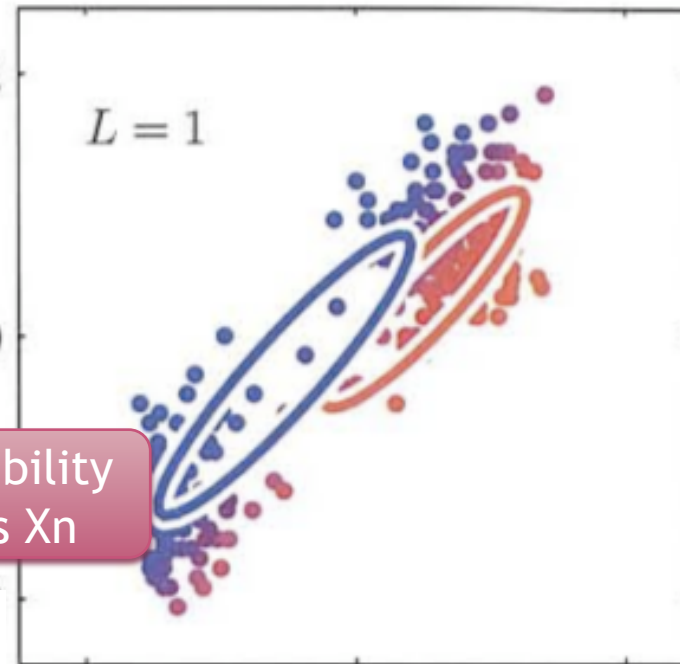
$$\gamma(z_{nk}) = \frac{\pi_k \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_n | \boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k)}{\sum_{j=1}^K \pi_j \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_n | \boldsymbol{\mu}_j, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_j)}$$

$\gamma(z_{nk})$ is called a “responsibility”: how much is this Gaussian k responsible for this point X_n ?



EM FOR GAUSSIAN MIXTURES

3. **M Step:** For each Gaussian k , update parameters using new $\gamma(z_{nk})$



Mean of Gaussian k

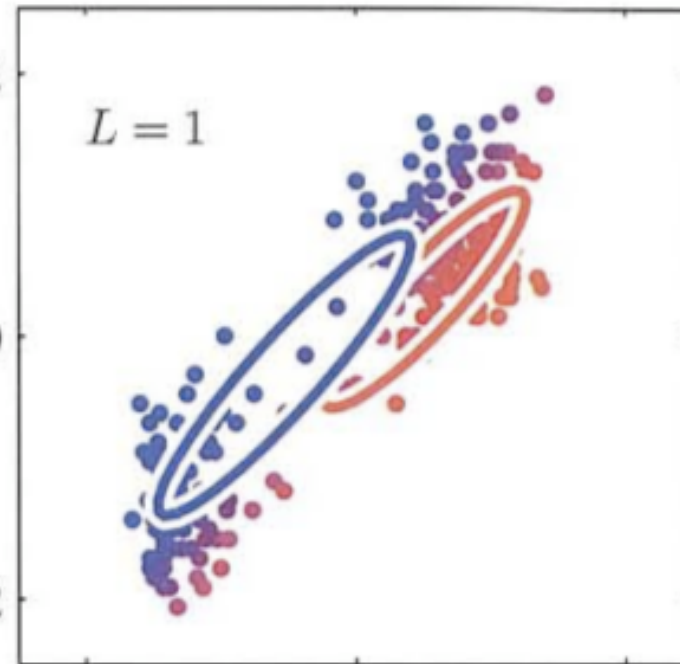
$$\mu_k^{\text{new}} = \frac{1}{N_k} \sum_{n=1}^N \gamma(z_{nk}) \mathbf{x}_n$$

$$N_k = \sum_{n=1}^N \gamma(z_{nk})$$

Find the mean that “fits” the assignment scores best

EM FOR GAUSSIAN MIXTURES

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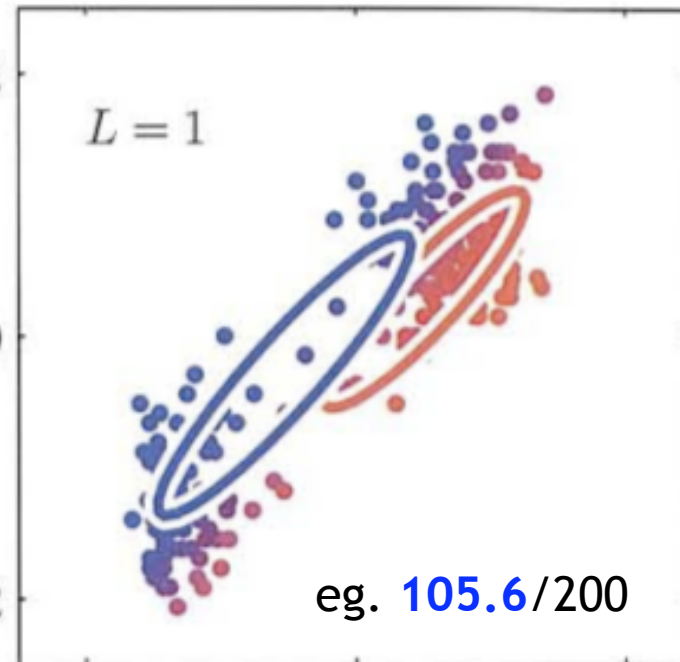
Covariance matrix
of Gaussian k

$$\Sigma_k^{\text{new}} = \frac{1}{N_k} \sum_{n=1}^N \gamma(z_{nk}) (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k^{\text{new}}) (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k^{\text{new}})^T$$

Just calculated this!

EM FOR GAUSSIAN MIXTURES

3. **M Step:** For each Gaussian k , update parameters using new $\gamma(z_{nk})$



Mixing Coefficient
for Gaussian k

$$\pi_k^{\text{new}} = \frac{N_k}{N}$$

Total # of
points

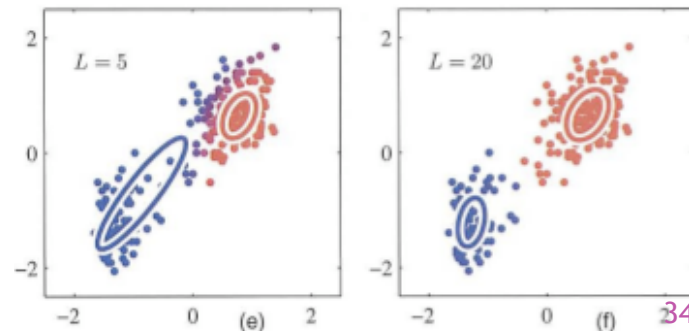
$$N_k = \sum_{n=1}^N \gamma(z_{nk})$$

EM FOR GAUSSIAN MIXTURES

4. Evaluate log **likelihood**. If likelihood or parameters converge, stop. Else go to Step 2 (E step).

$$\ln p(\mathbf{X}|\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}, \boldsymbol{\pi}) = \sum_{n=1}^N \ln \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_n | \boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k) \right\}$$

Likelihood is the probability that the data \mathbf{X} was generated by the parameters you found.
ie. Correctness!





9.4 THE GENERAL EM ALGORITHM

GENERAL EM ALGORITHM

1. Initialize parameters θ^{old}
2. E Step: Evaluate $p(\mathbf{Z} | \mathbf{X}, \theta^{old})$
3. M Step: Evaluate

Hidden variables

Observed variables

$$\theta^{new} = \arg \max_{\theta} Q(\theta, \theta^{old})$$

where

$$Q(\theta, \theta^{old}) = \sum_{\mathbf{Z}} p(\mathbf{Z} | \mathbf{X}, \theta^{old}) \ln p(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z} | \theta).$$

Likelihood

4. Evaluate log likelihood. If likelihood or parameters converge, stop. Else $\theta^{old} \leftarrow \theta^{new}$ and go to E Step.

EM IN MANY FORMS

- ◉ K-means can be formulated as EM
- ◉ EM for Gaussian Mixtures
- ◉ EM for Bernoulli Mixtures
- ◉ EM for Bayesian Linear Regression

EXPECTATION MAXIMIZATION SUMMARY

- ◉ “Expectation”

Calculated the fixed, data-dependent parameters of the function Q .

- ◉ “Maximization”

Once the parameters of Q are known, it is fully determined, so now we can maximize Q .

$$Q(\theta, \theta^{\text{old}}) = \sum_{\mathbf{Z}} p(\mathbf{Z}|\mathbf{X}, \theta^{\text{old}}) \ln p(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}|\theta).$$

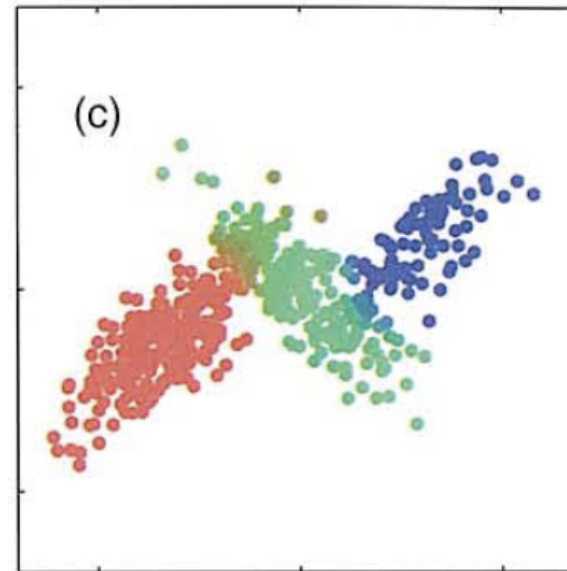
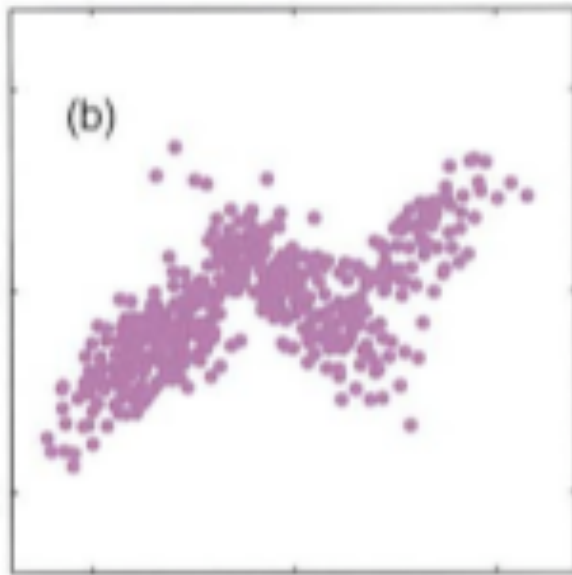
CHAPTER 9 SUMMARY

- ◉ We learned how to cluster data in an unsupervised manner
- ◉ Gaussian Mixture Models are useful for modeling data with “soft” cluster assignments
- ◉ Expectation Maximization is a method used when we have a model with latent variables (values we don't know, but estimate with each step)



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QUESTIONS?



- ⦿ My question: What other applications could use EM? How about EM of GMMs?