
Machine Learning

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Lecture 16 K-means and EM

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General Idea: Expectation Maximization

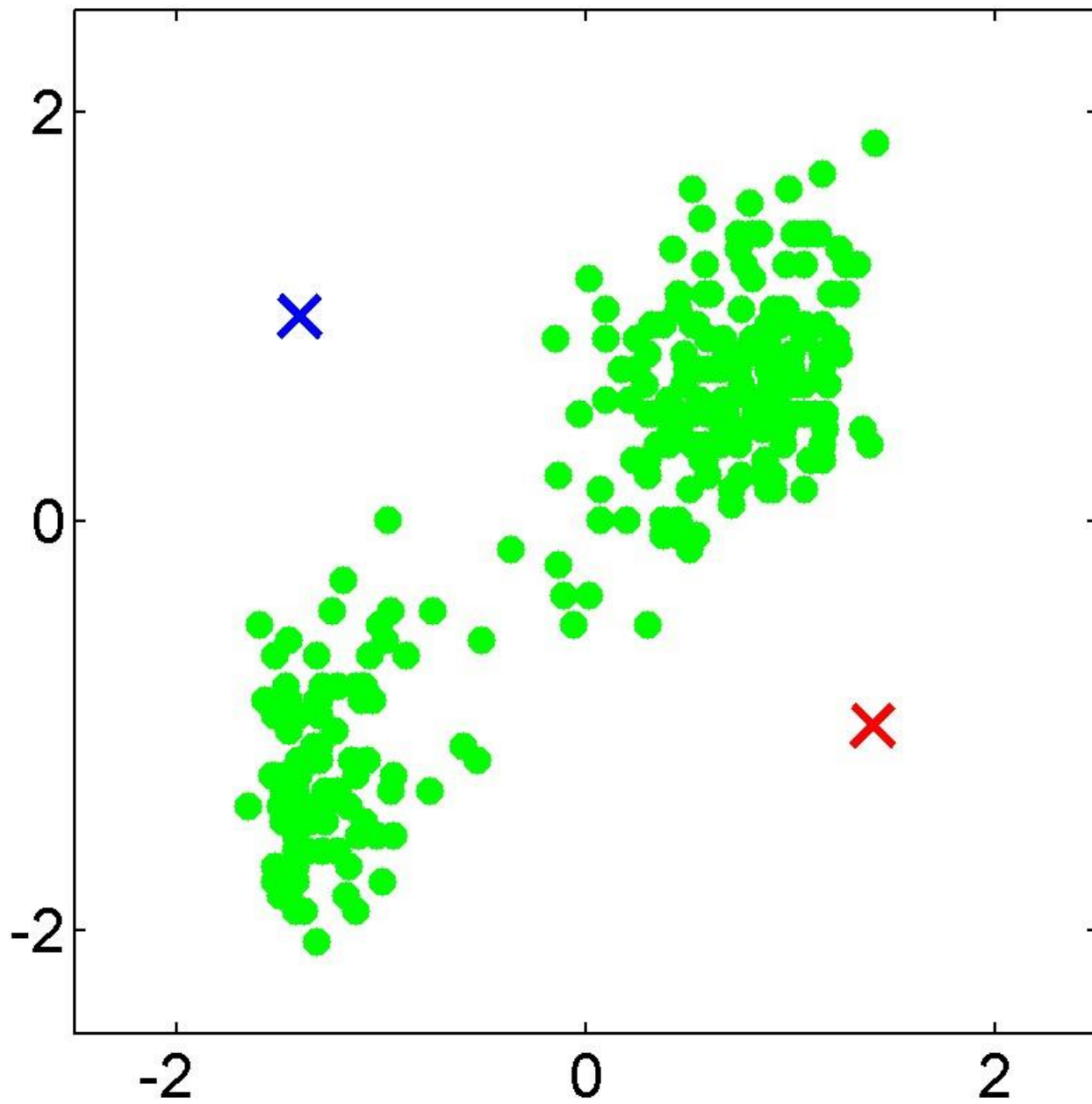
- Start by devising a noisy channel
 - Any model that predicts the corpus observations via some hidden structure (tags, parses, ...)
- Initially **guess** the parameters of the model!
 - Educated guess is best, but random can work
- **Expectation step:** Use current parameters (and observations) to reconstruct hidden structure
- **Maximization step:** Use that hidden structure (and observations) to reestimate parameters

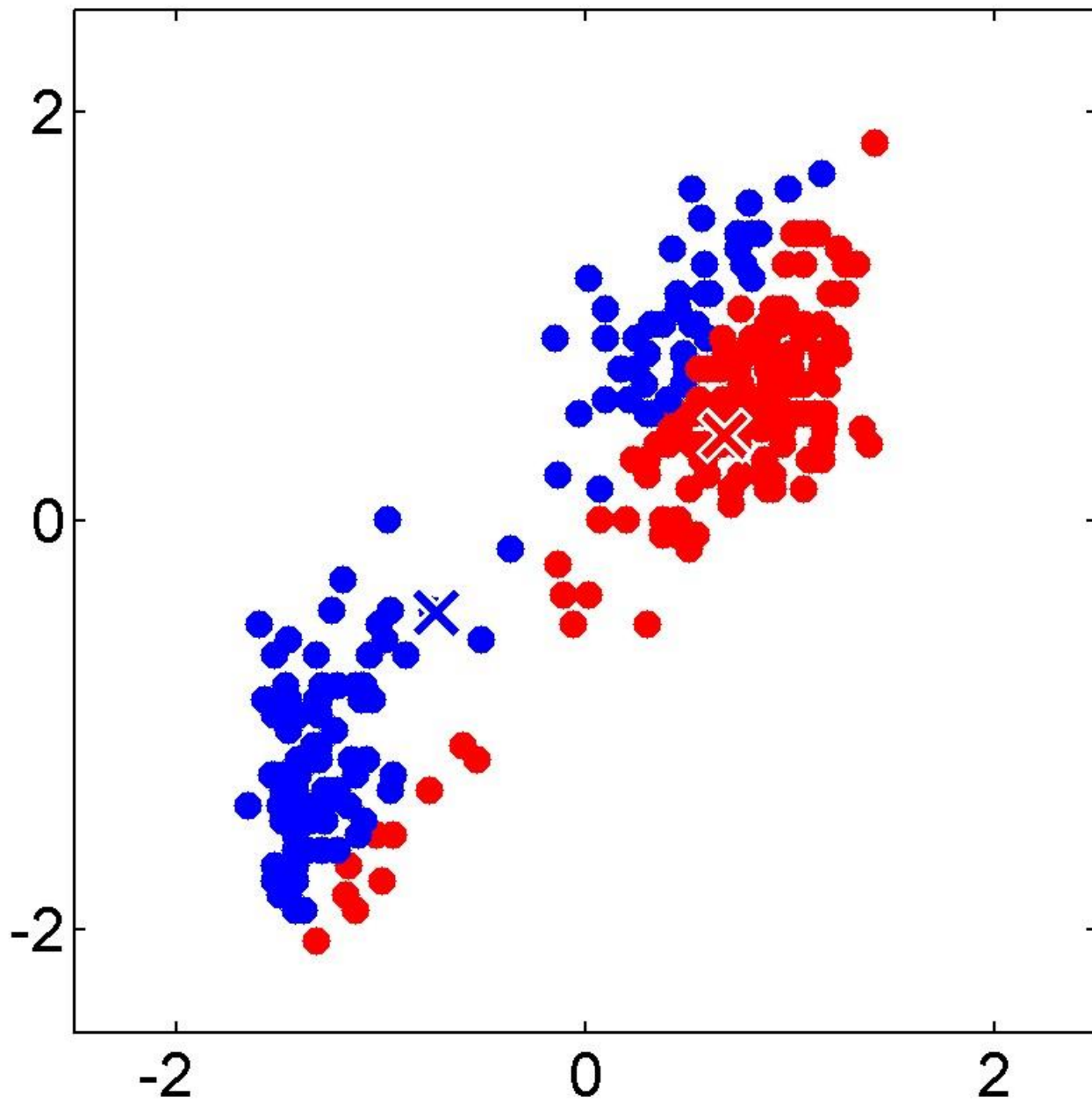
Repeat until convergence!

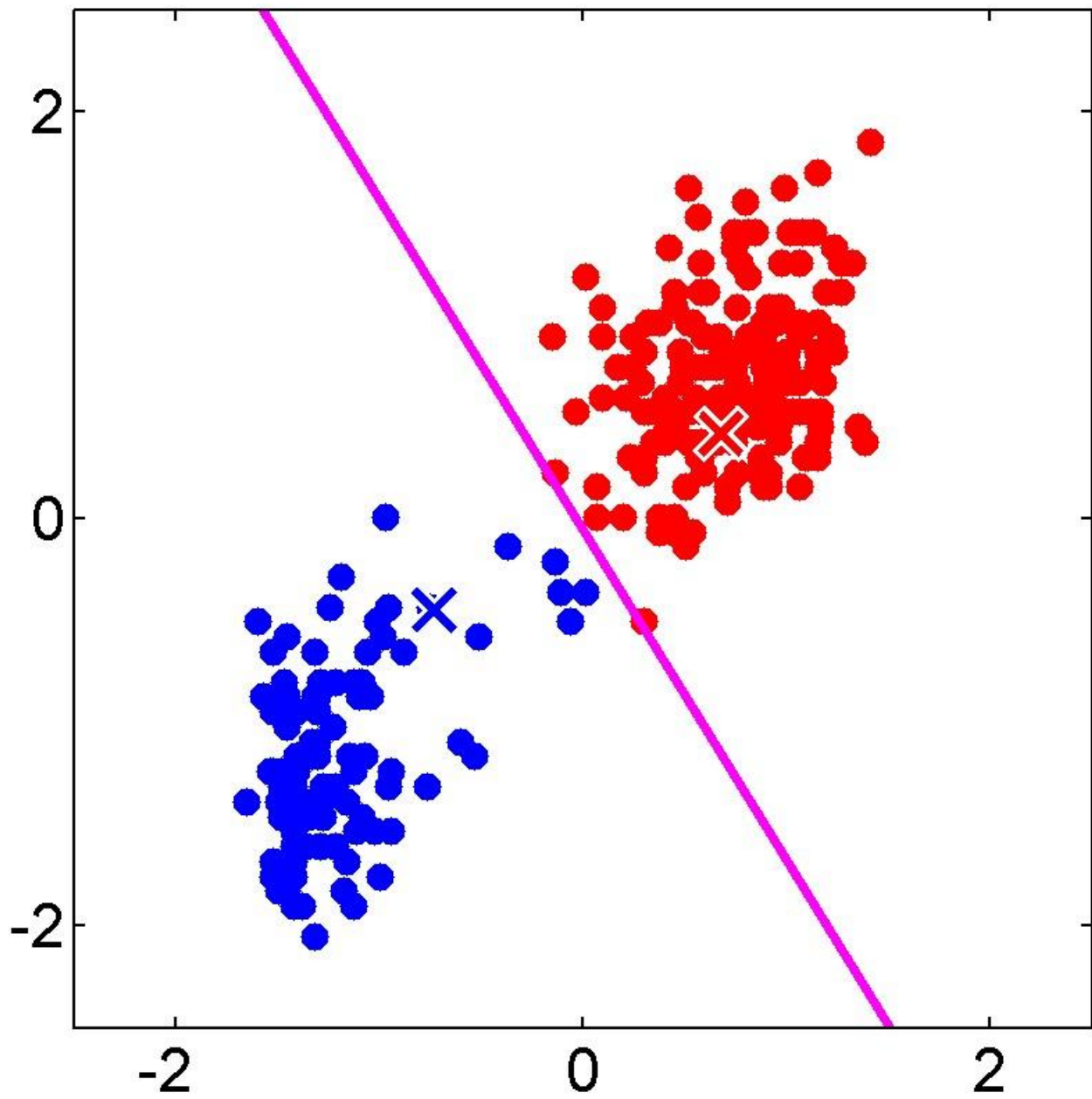
K-means Algorithm

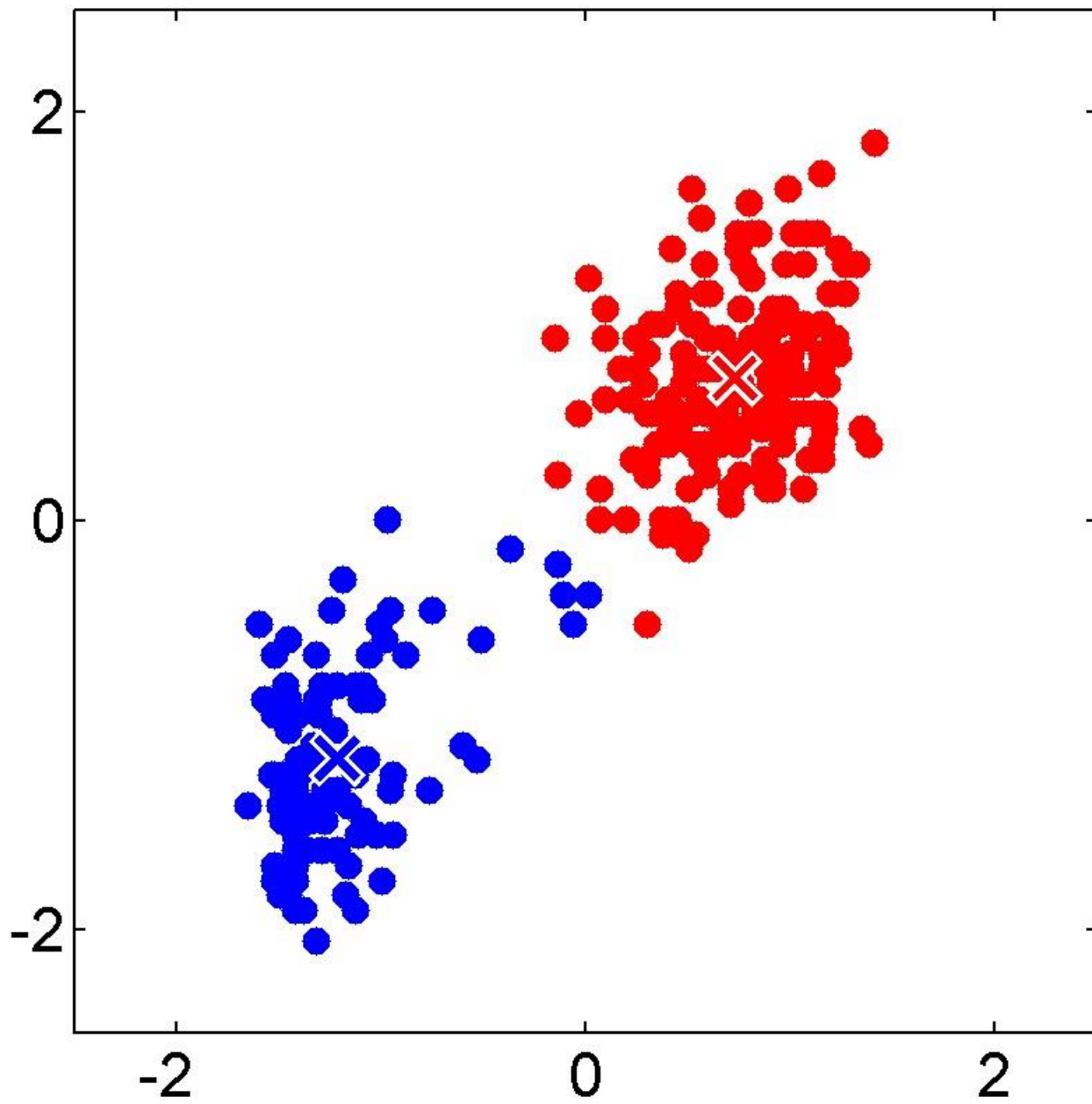
- Goal
 - represent a data set in terms of K clusters each of which is summarized by a point-learner μ_k
- Initialize prototypes, then iterate between two phases:
 - E-step: assign each data point to nearest learner
 - M-step: update learners to be the cluster means
- Simplest version is based on Euclidean distance

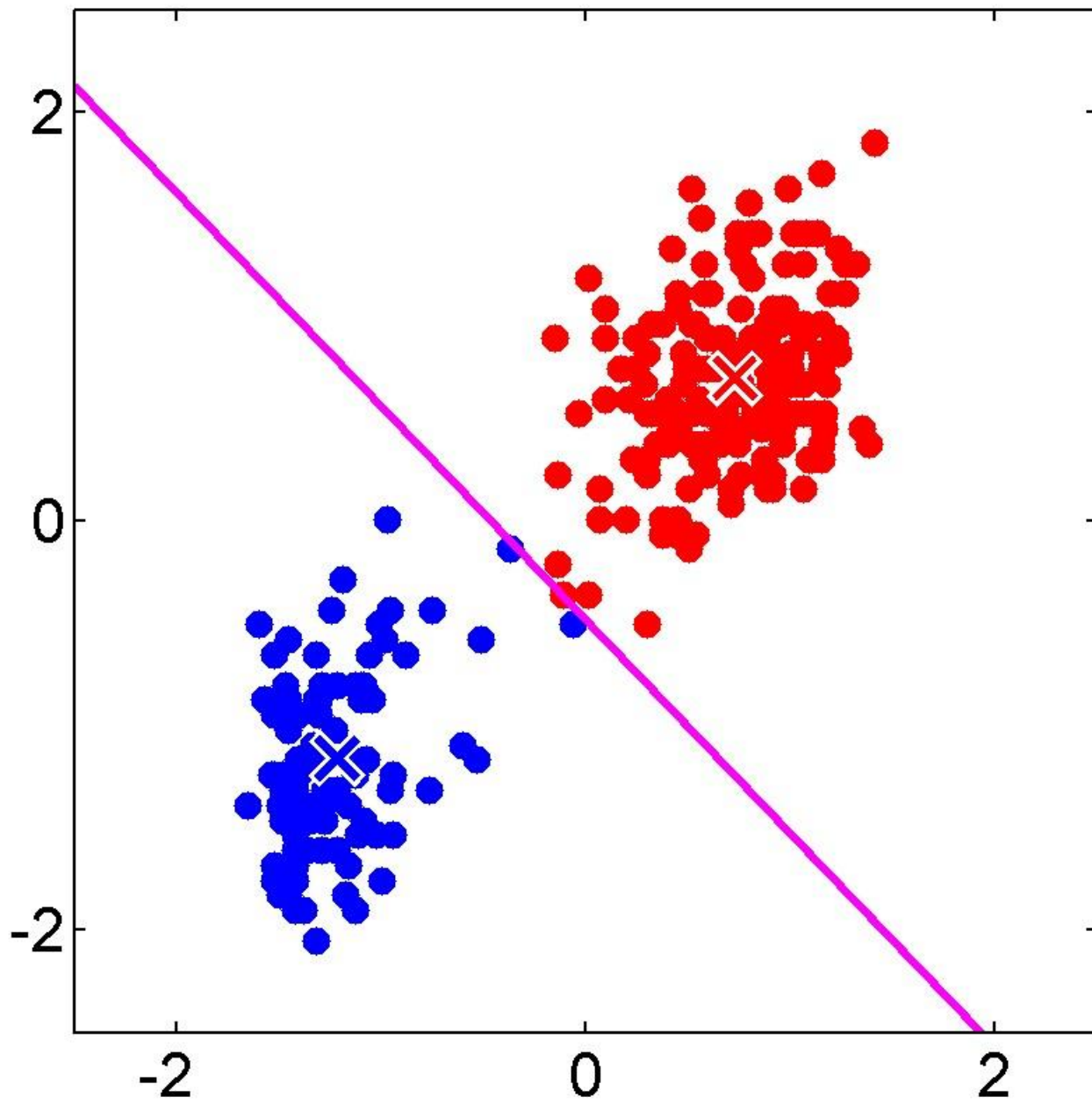
$$Dist(X, Y) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m (X_i - Y_i)^2}$$

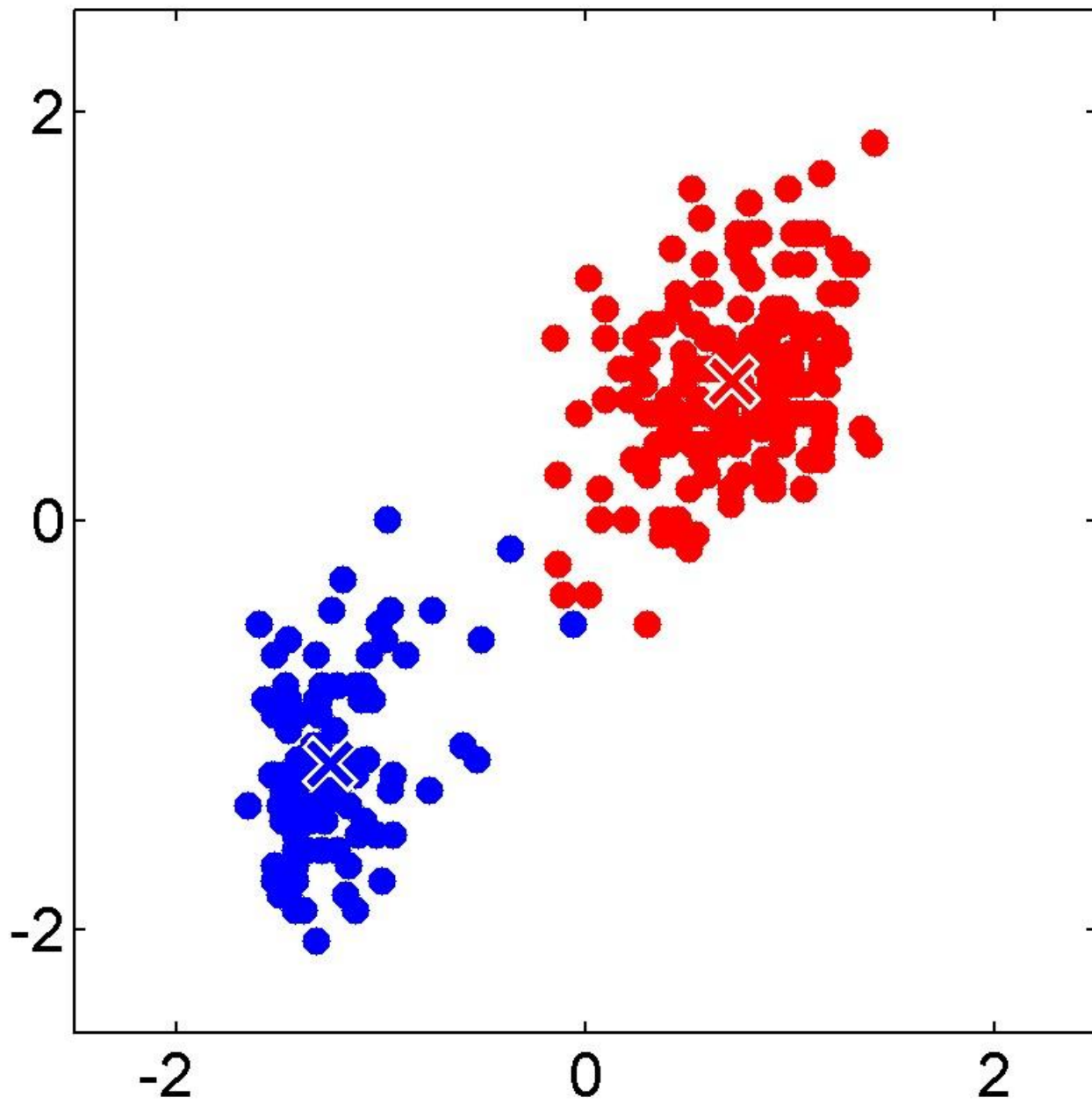


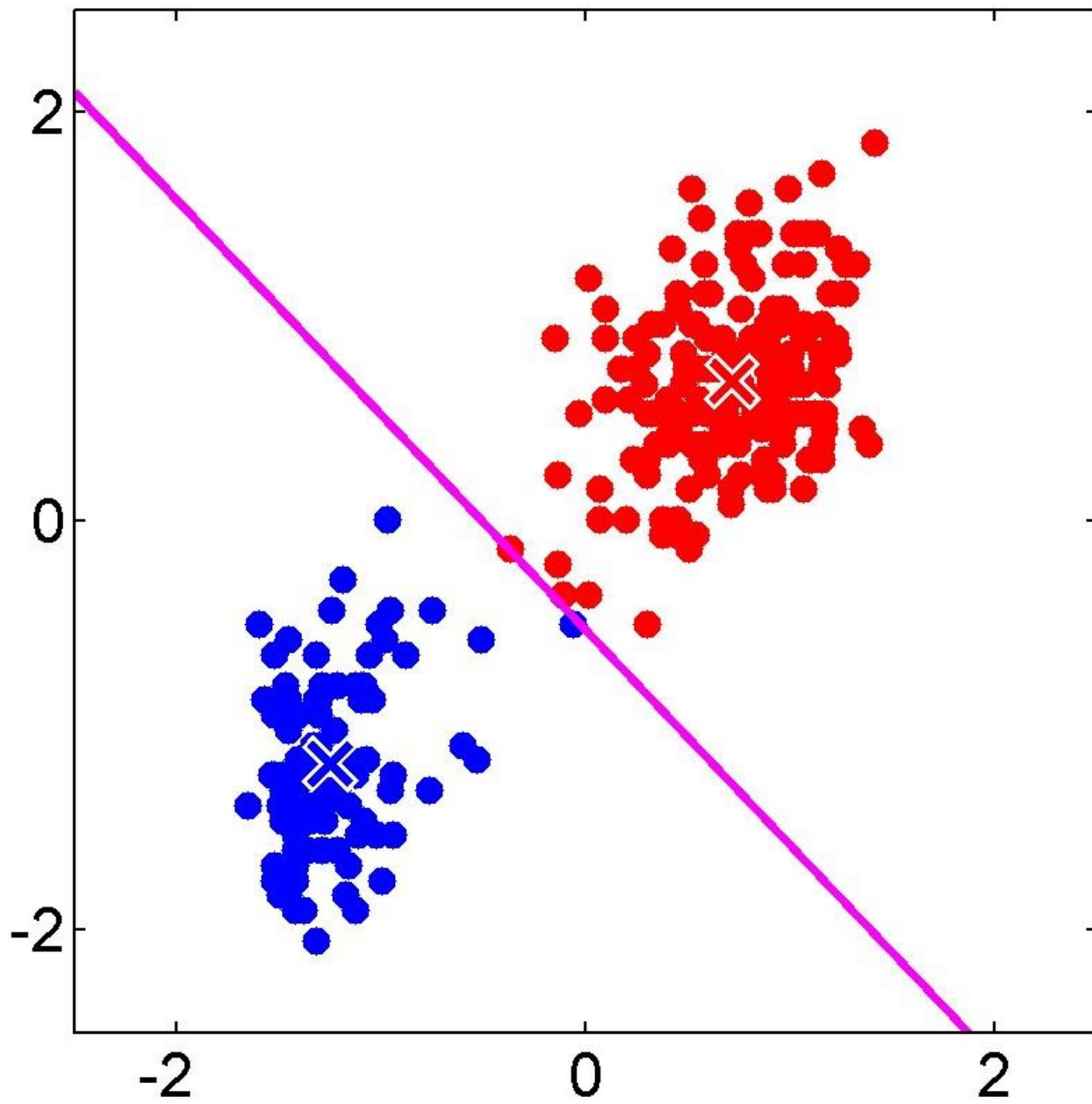


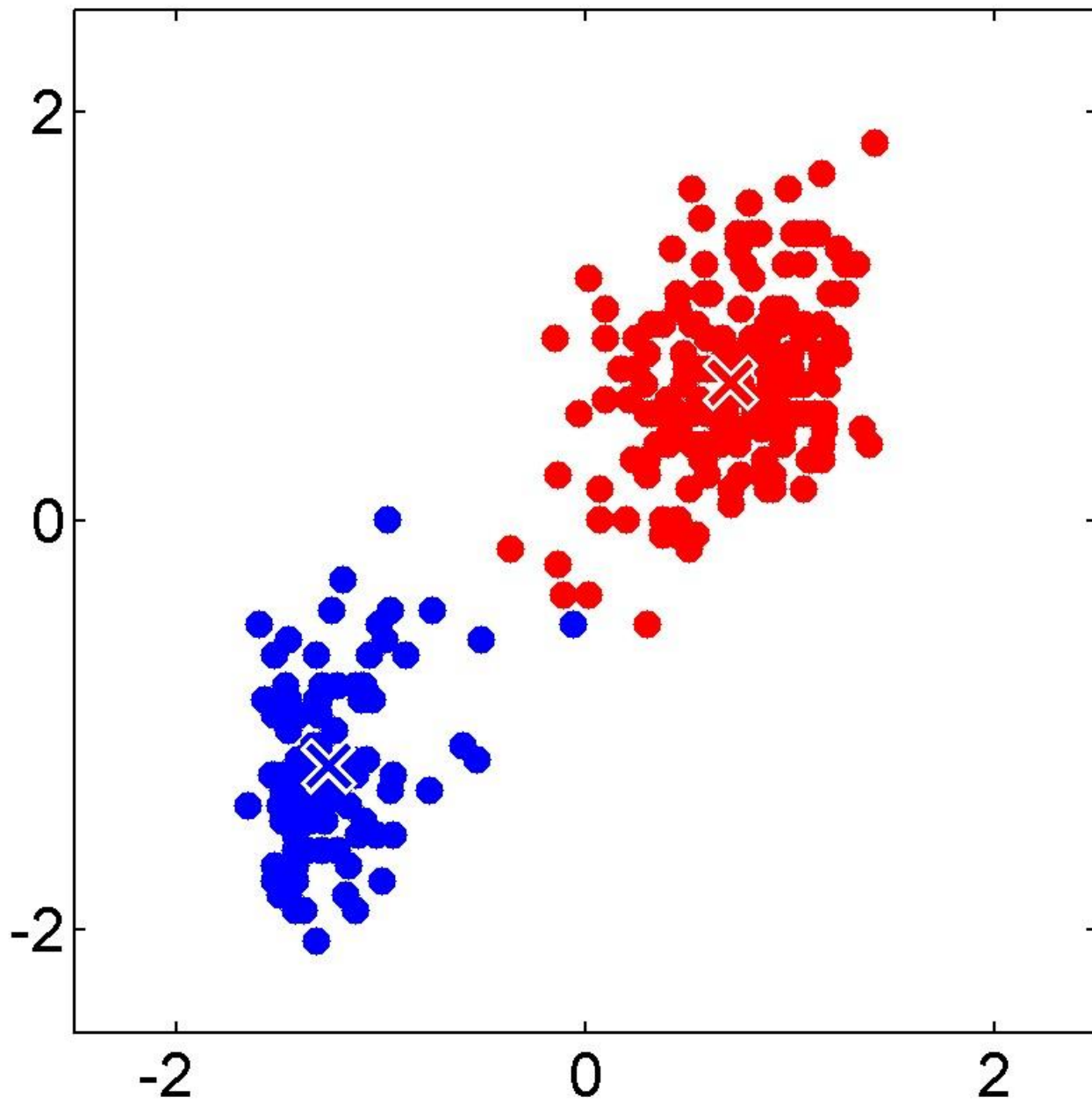












Responsibilities

- *Responsibilities* assign data points to clusters

$$r_{nk} \in \{0, 1\}$$

such that

$$\sum_k r_{nk} = 1$$

- Example: 5 data points and 3 clusters

$$(r_{nk}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

K-means Cost Function

$$J = \sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^K r_{nk} \|\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k\|^2$$

data

responsibilities

prototypes

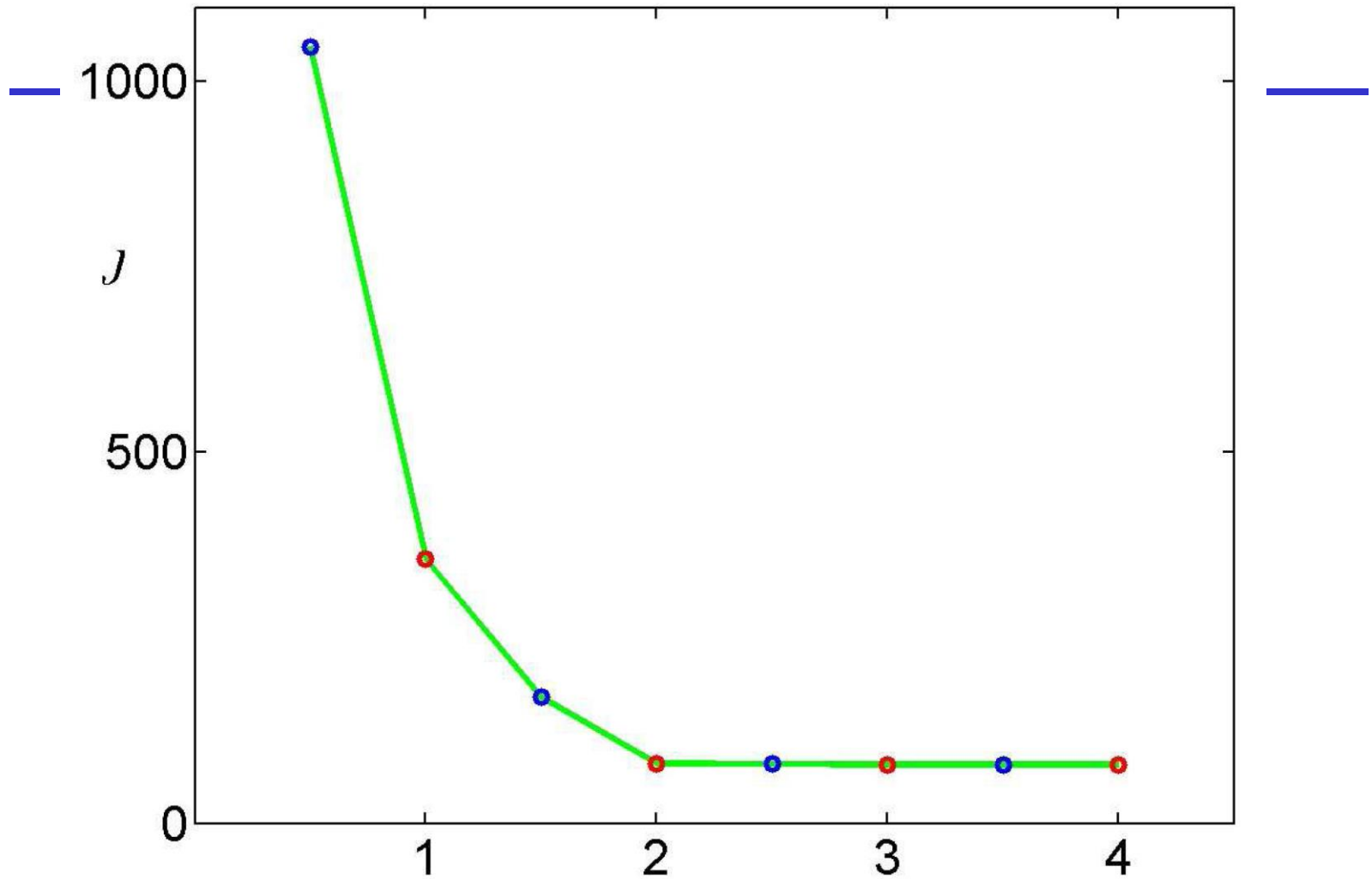
Minimizing the Cost Function

- E-step: minimize J w.r.t. r_{nk}
 - assigns each data point to nearest learner
- M-step: minimize J w.r.t. μ_k

– gives

$$\mu_k = \frac{\sum_n r_{kn} \mathbf{x}_n}{\sum_n r_{kn}}$$

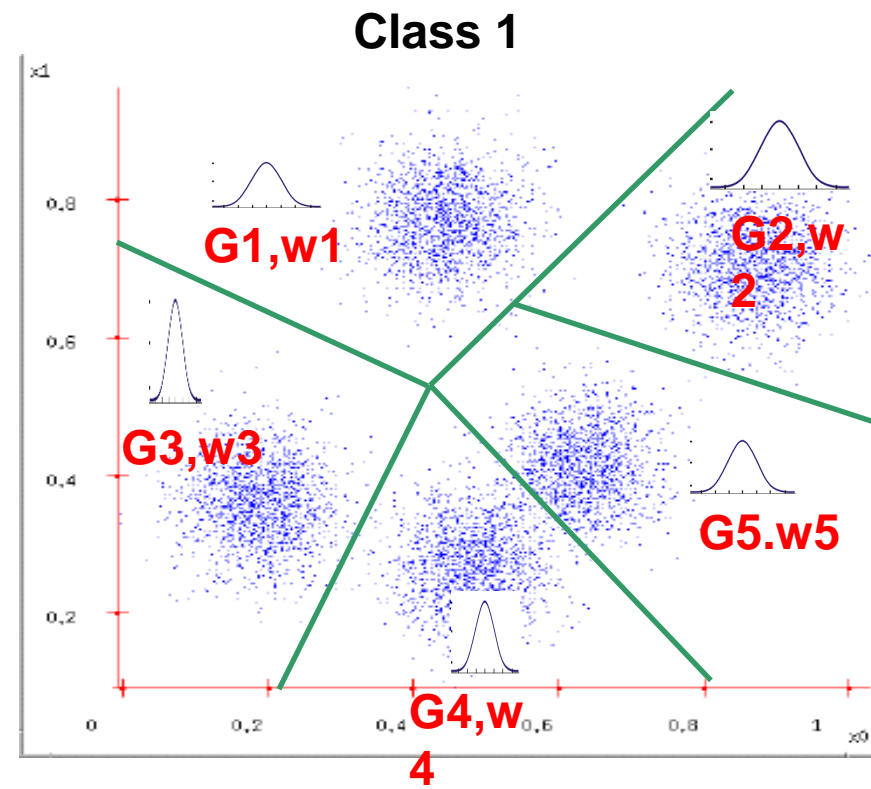
- each learner set to the mean of points in that cluster
- Convergence guaranteed since there are a finite number of possible responsibility settings.



- How to evaluate K-means clustering results?

Limitations of K-means

- **Hard** assignments of data points to clusters
 - small shift of a data point can flip it to a different cluster
- Solution: replace ‘**hard**’ clustering of K-means with ‘**soft**’ probabilistic assignments
- Represents the probability distribution of the data as a *Gaussian Mixture Model (GMM)*



Maximum Likelihood Principle

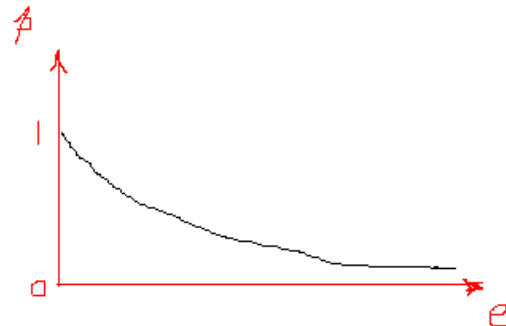
- To describe the problem in a “probability” way
- Remind: what is probability?
- Mapping from distance to probability:

$$p = 0 \iff \|\mathbf{x}_t - \mathbf{m}\| = +\infty$$

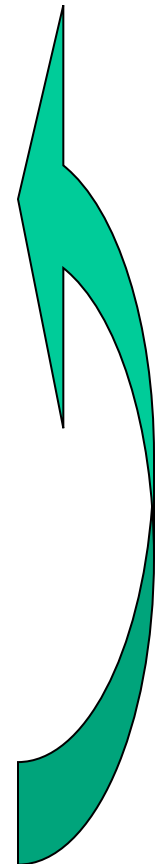
$$p = 1 \iff \|\mathbf{x}_t - \mathbf{m}\| = 0$$

$$[0, +\infty) \iff [0, 1]$$

$$p(x) \geq 0 \quad \underline{\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} p(x) dx = 1}$$



- But not all positive monotonic functions are ok, why?
 - One function: Gaussian distribution



Gaussian Distribution

- Multivariate Gaussian

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

where $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$ is the covariance matrix, and $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ is the mean vector.
 d is the dimension.

- In 1-dimension case:

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

where σ^2 is the variance, and μ is the mean value,
dimension $d = 1$.

Recall: Likelihood Function

- Data set

$$D = \{\mathbf{x}_n\} \quad n = 1, \dots, N$$



- Consider first a single Gaussian
- Assume observed data points generated independently

$$p(D|\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) = \prod_{n=1}^N \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_n|\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$$

- Viewed as a function of the parameters, this is known as the *likelihood function*

Recall: Maximum Likelihood Solution

Set the parameters by maximizing the likelihood function

Equivalently maximize the log likelihood

$$\begin{aligned} \ln p(D|\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) &= -\frac{N}{2} \ln |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}| - \frac{Nd}{2} \ln(2\pi) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu})^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \end{aligned}$$

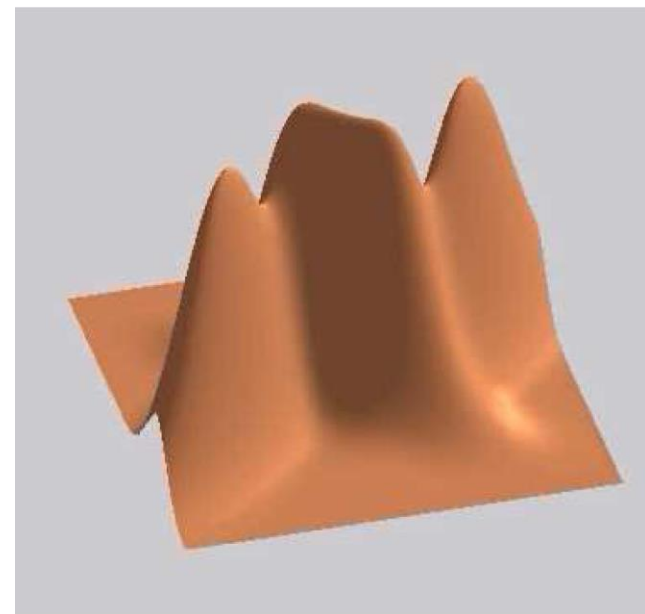
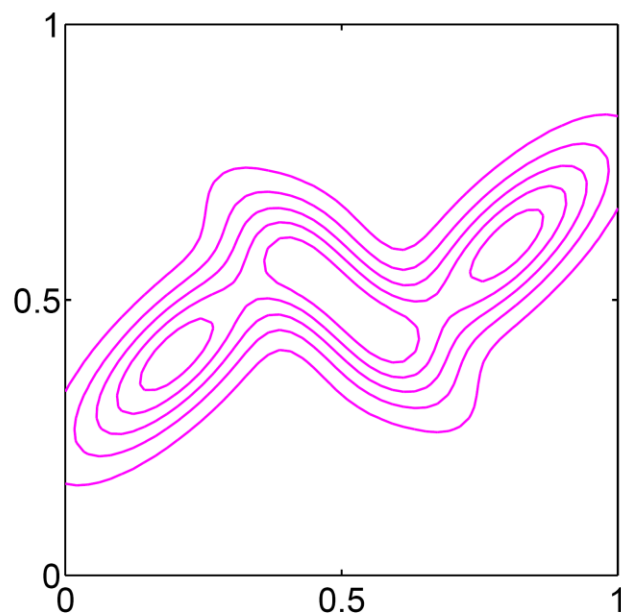
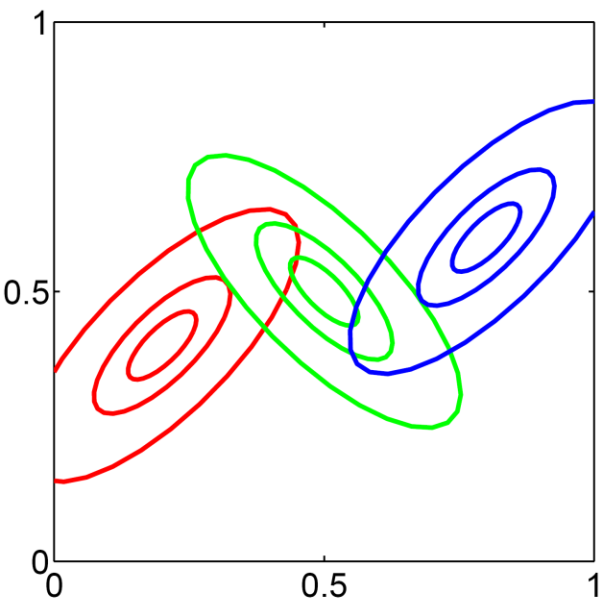
- Maximizing w.r.t. the mean gives the *sample mean*

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}_{\text{ML}} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \mathbf{x}_n$$

- Maximizing w.r.t covariance gives the *sample covariance*

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\text{ML}} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\text{ML}})(\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\text{ML}})^\top$$

Example: Mixture of 3 Gaussians



Posterior Probabilities

- We can think of the mixing coefficients as prior probabilities for the components
- For a given value of \mathbf{x} we can evaluate the corresponding posterior probabilities, called *responsibilities*
- These are given from Bayes' theorem by

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma_k(\mathbf{x}) \equiv p(k|\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{p(k)p(\mathbf{x}|k)}{p(\mathbf{x})} \\ &= \frac{\pi_k \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k)}{\sum_{j=1}^K \pi_j \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\mu}_j, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_j)}\end{aligned}$$

Maximum Likelihood for the GMM

- The log likelihood function takes the form

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

- Note: sum over components appears *inside* the log
- There is no closed form solution for maximum likelihood

$$0 = - \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{\pi_k \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_n | \boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k)}{\underbrace{\sum_j \pi_j \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_n | \boldsymbol{\mu}_j, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_j)}_{\gamma(z_{nk})}} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)$$

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}_k = \frac{1}{N_k} \sum_{n=1}^N \gamma(z_{nk}) \mathbf{x}_n \quad N_k = \sum_{n=1}^N \gamma(z_{nk})$$

Maximum Likelihood for the GMM

- Similarly for the covariances

$$\Sigma_j = \frac{\sum_{n=1}^N \gamma_j(\mathbf{x}_n) (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_j) (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_j)^\top}{\sum_{n=1}^N \gamma_j(\mathbf{x}_n)}$$

- For mixing coefficients use a Lagrange multiplier to give

$$\pi_j = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \gamma_j(\mathbf{x}_n)$$

EM Algorithm – Informal Derivation

- The solutions are not closed form since they are coupled
- Suggests an iterative scheme for solving them:
 - make initial guesses for the parameters
 - alternate between the following two stages:
 1. E-step: evaluate responsibilities
 2. M-step: update parameters using ML results
- Each EM cycle guaranteed not to decrease the likelihood

- Initialize μ_k , Σ_k and π_k and evaluate log-likelihood with these

- E Step:
$$\gamma(z_{nk}) = \frac{\pi_k \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_n | \mu_k, \Sigma_k)}{\sum_{j=1}^K \pi_j \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_n | \mu_j, \Sigma_j)}$$

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

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

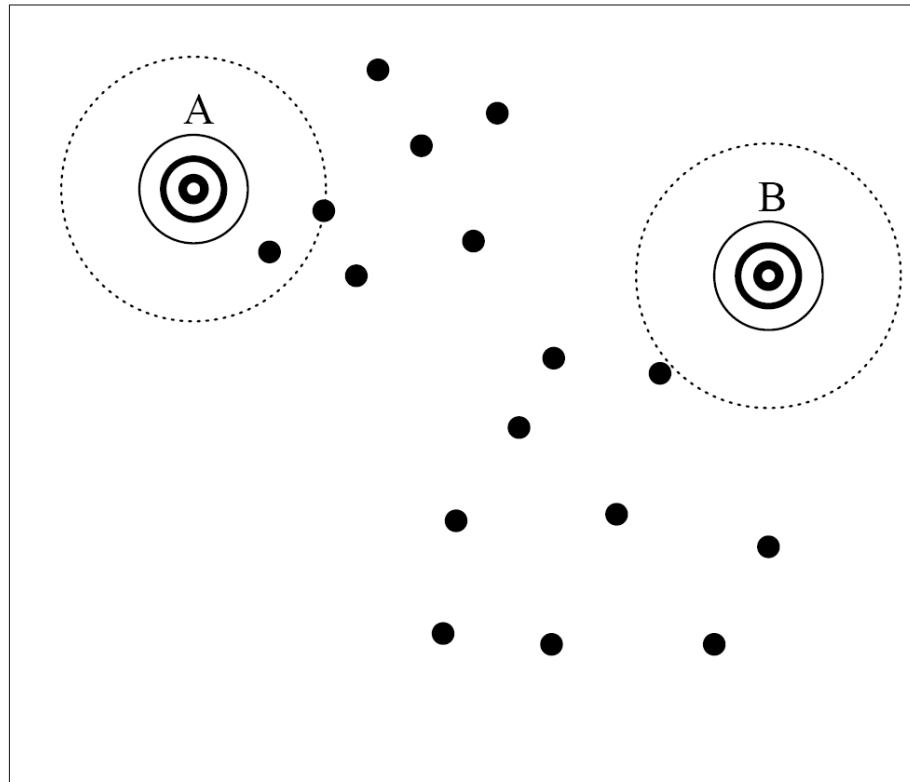
$$\pi_k^{\text{new}} = \frac{N_k}{N} \text{ with } N_k = \sum_{n=1}^N \gamma(z_{nk})$$

- Evaluate log-likelihood

$$\ln p(\mathbf{X} | \mu, \Sigma, \pi) = \sum_{n=1}^N \ln \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^K \pi_j \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_n | \mu_j, \Sigma_j) \right\}$$

Processing : EM Initialization

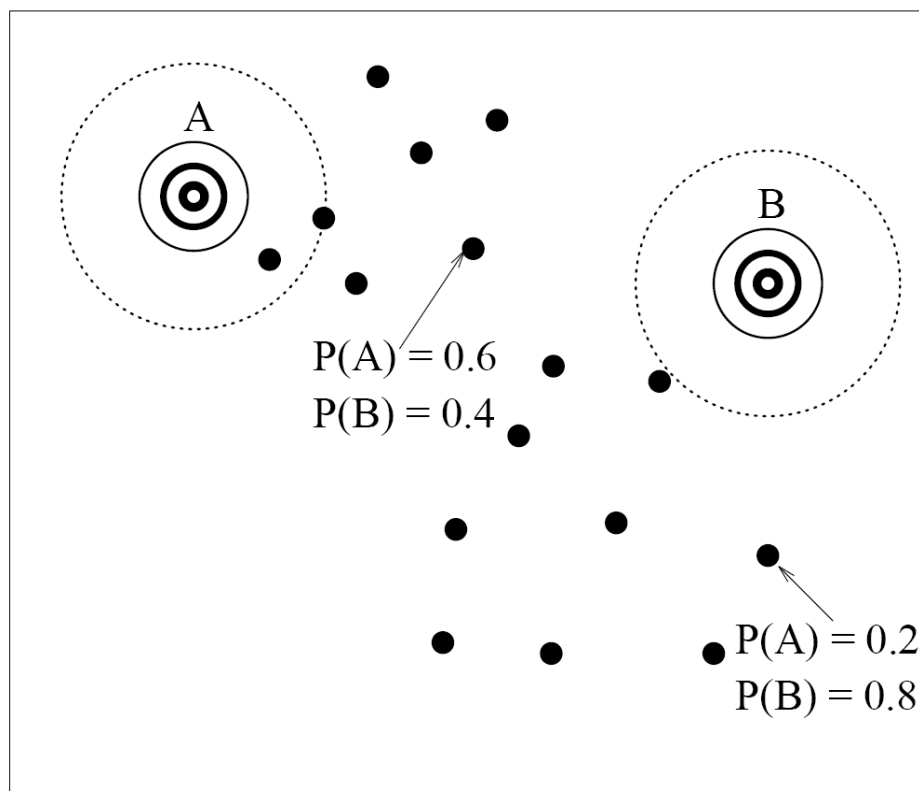
- Initialization :
 - Assign random value to parameters



Processing : the E-Step (1/2)

– Expectation :

- Pretend to know the parameter
- Assign responsibilities of Gaussians to each data point



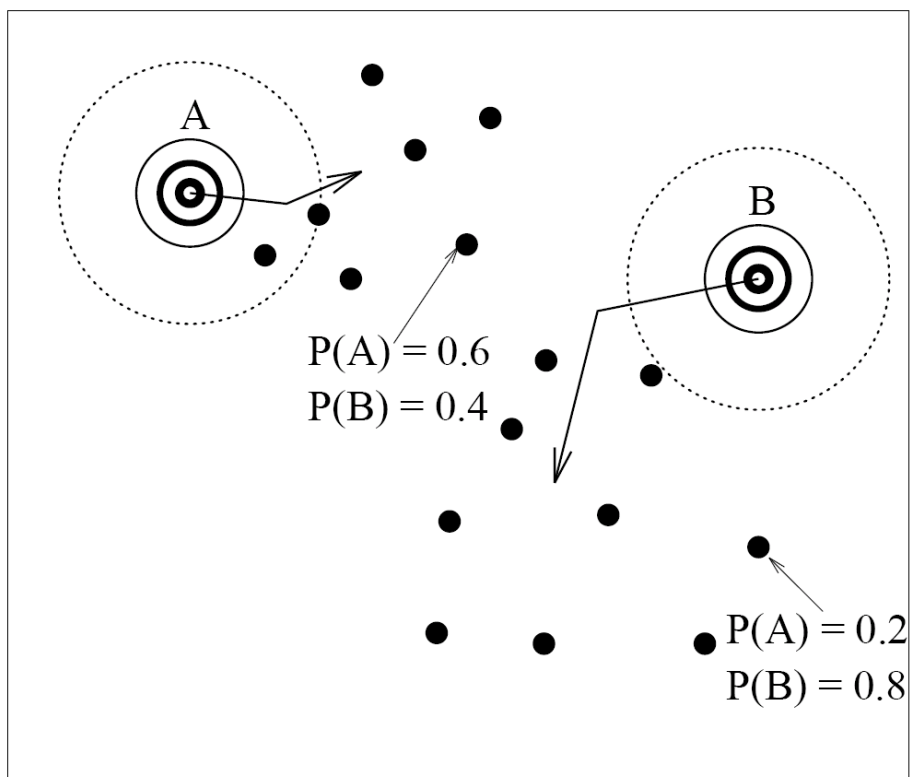
Processing : the E-Step (2/2)

- Competition of Hypotheses
 - Compute the expected values of P_{ij} of hidden *indicator variables*.
- Each gives membership weights to data point
- Normalization
- Weight = relative likelihood of class membership

Processing : the M-Step (1/2)

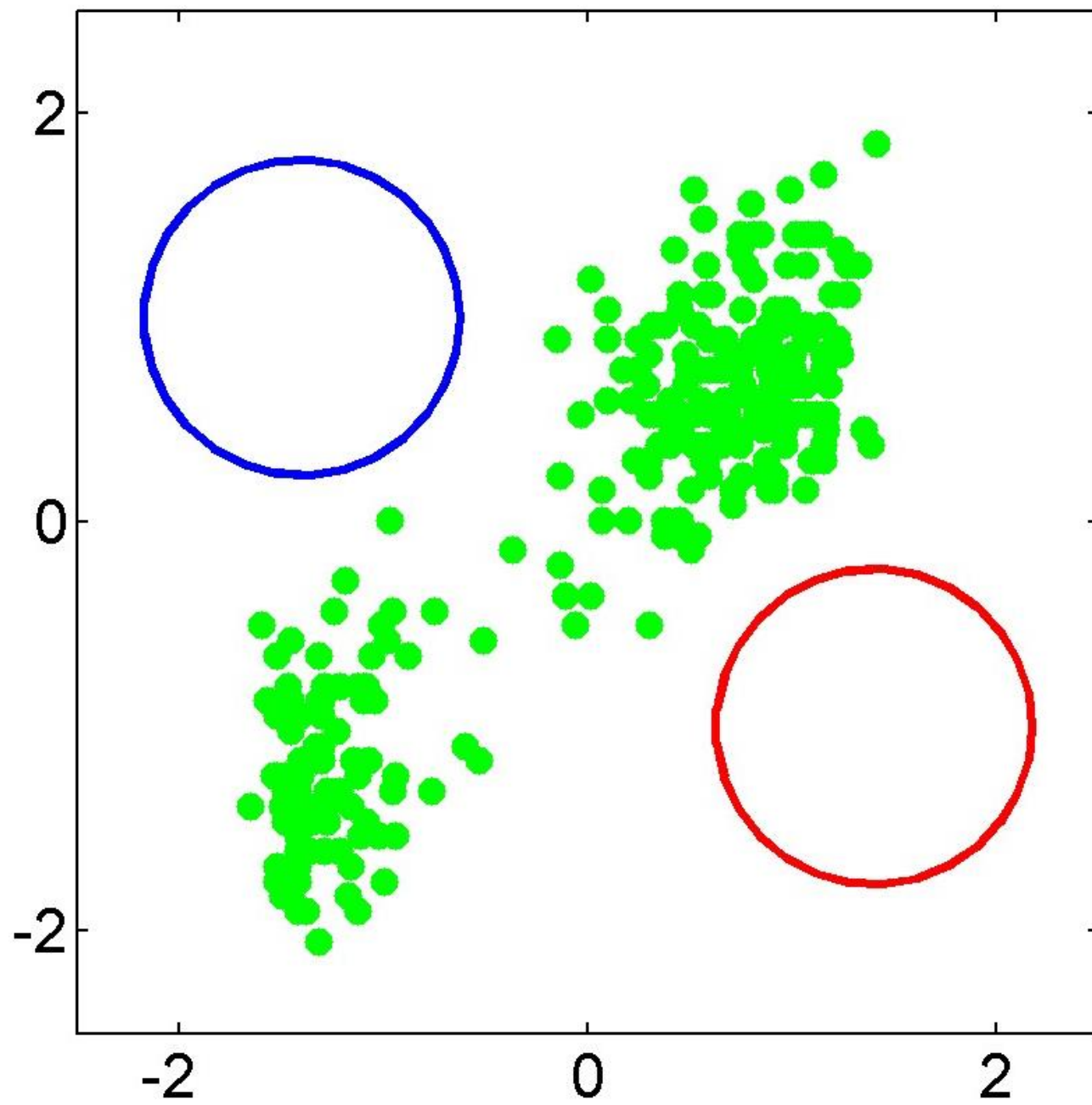
– Maximization :

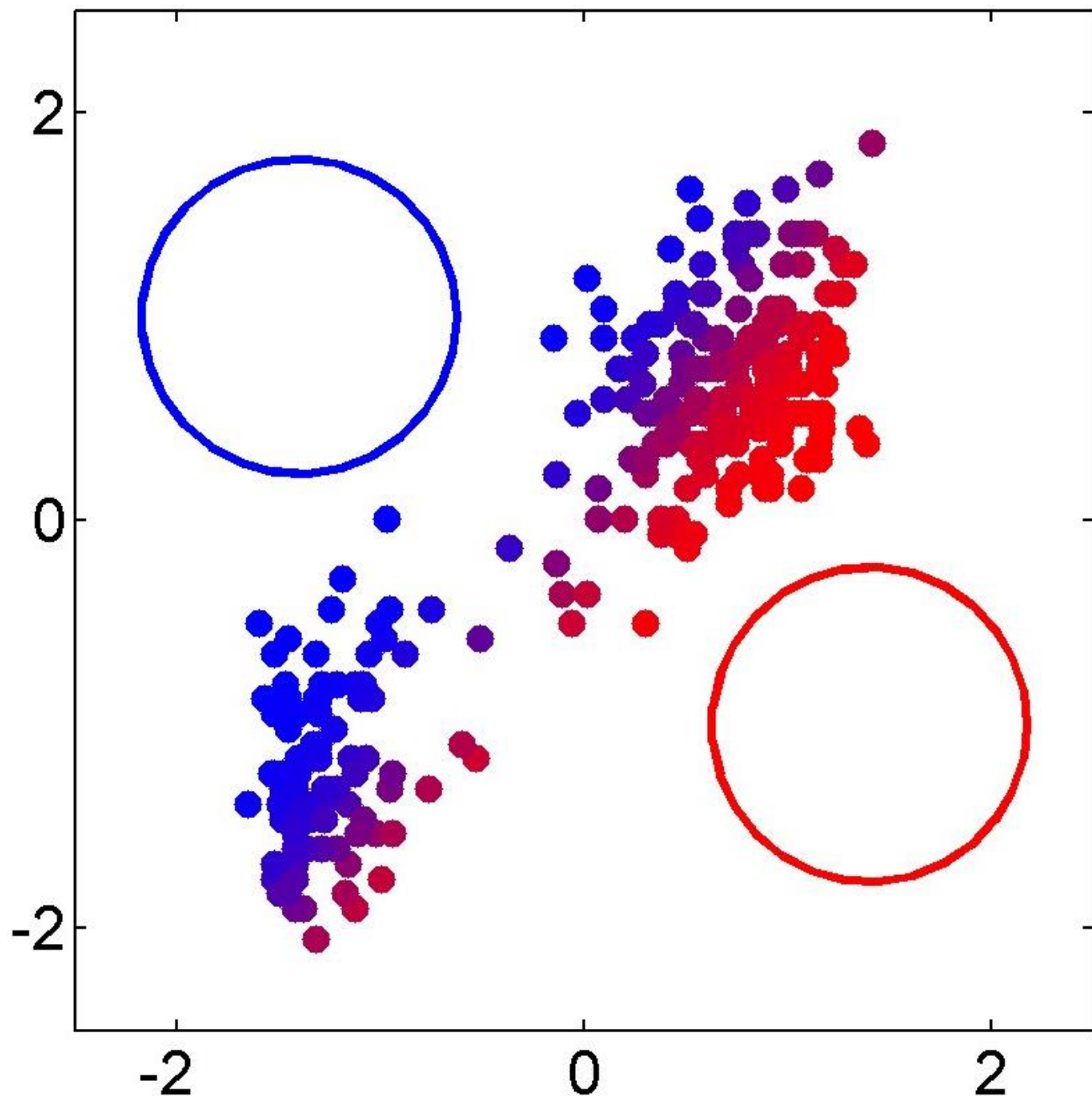
- Fit the parameter to its set of points

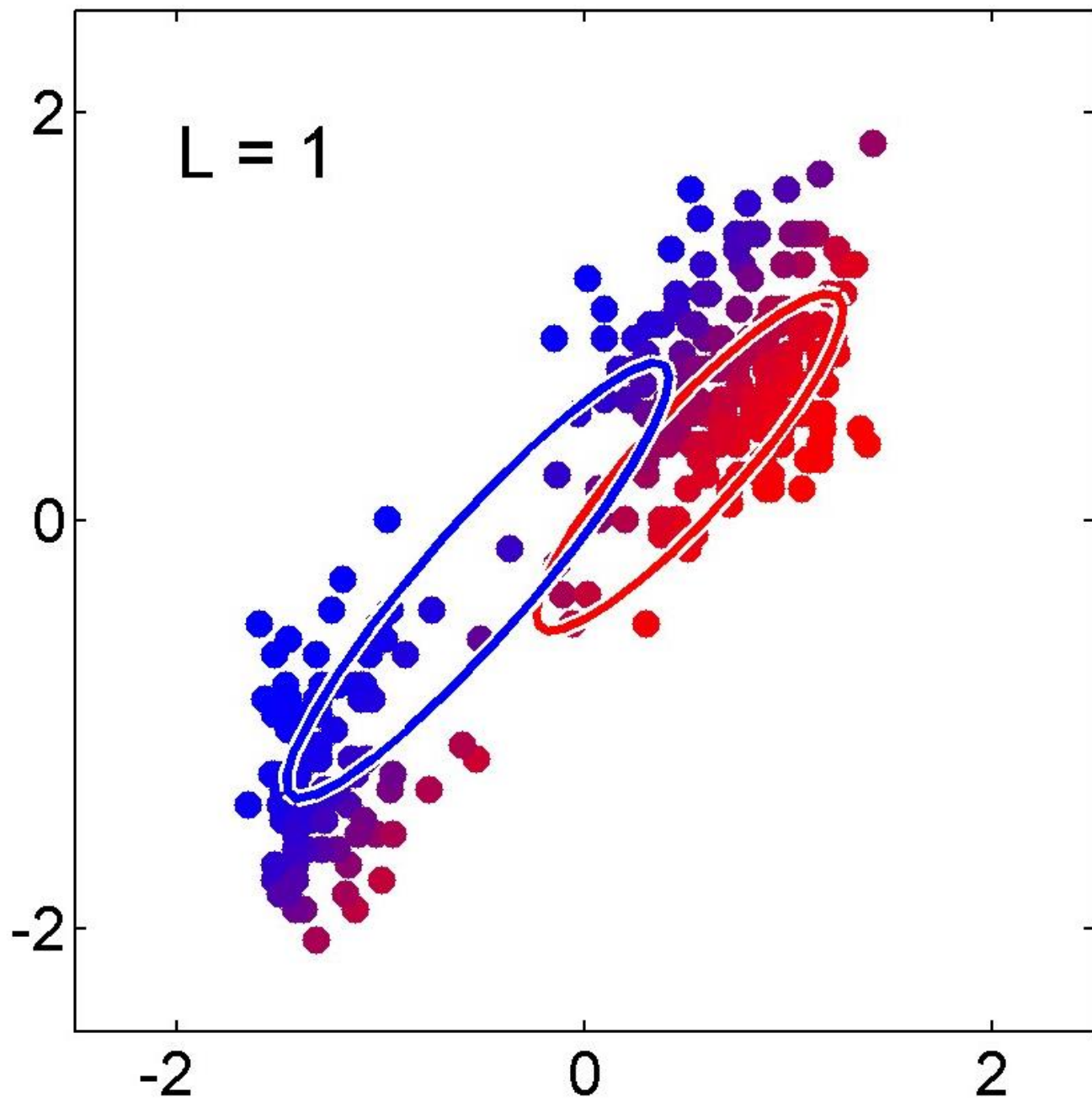


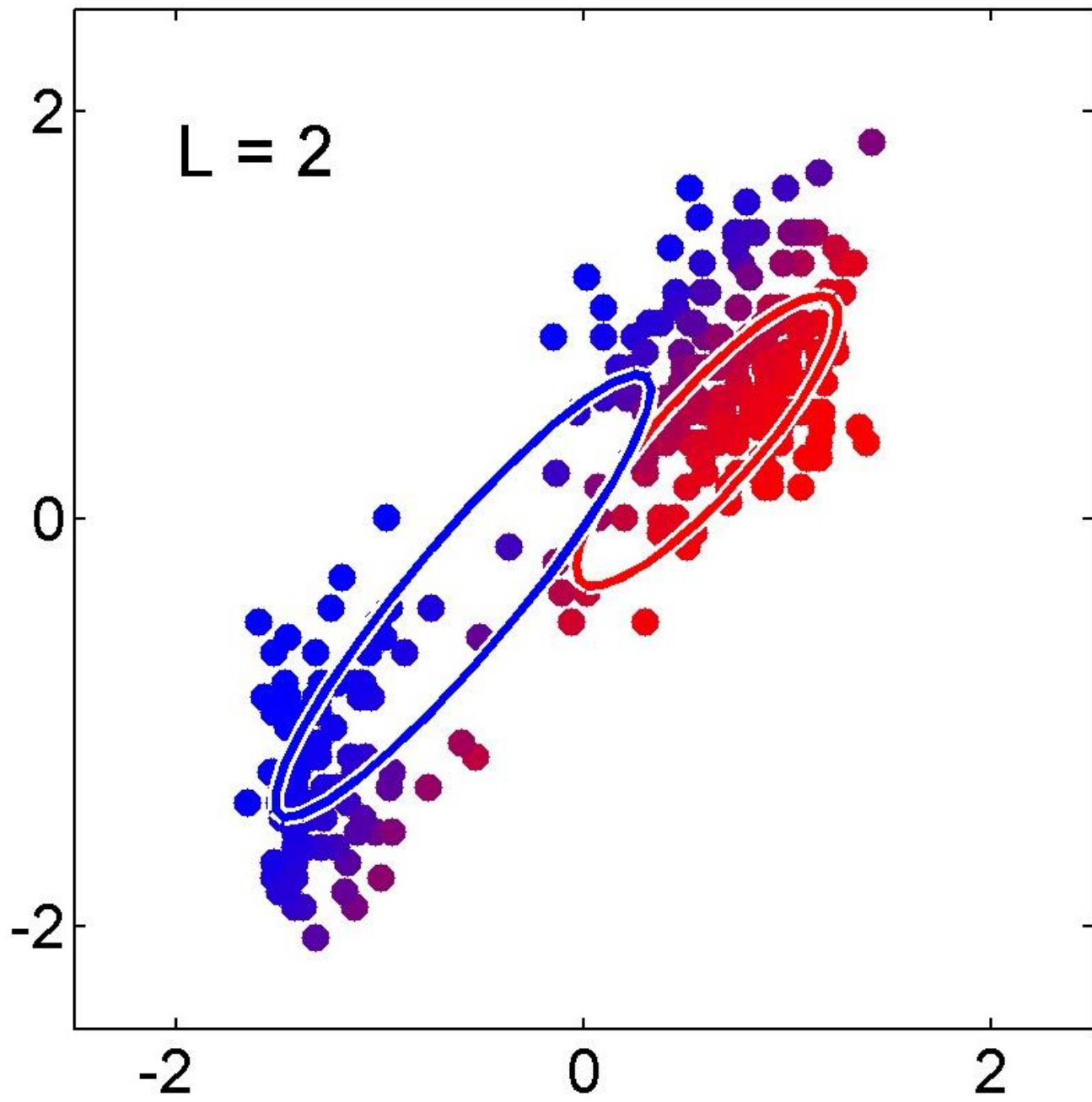
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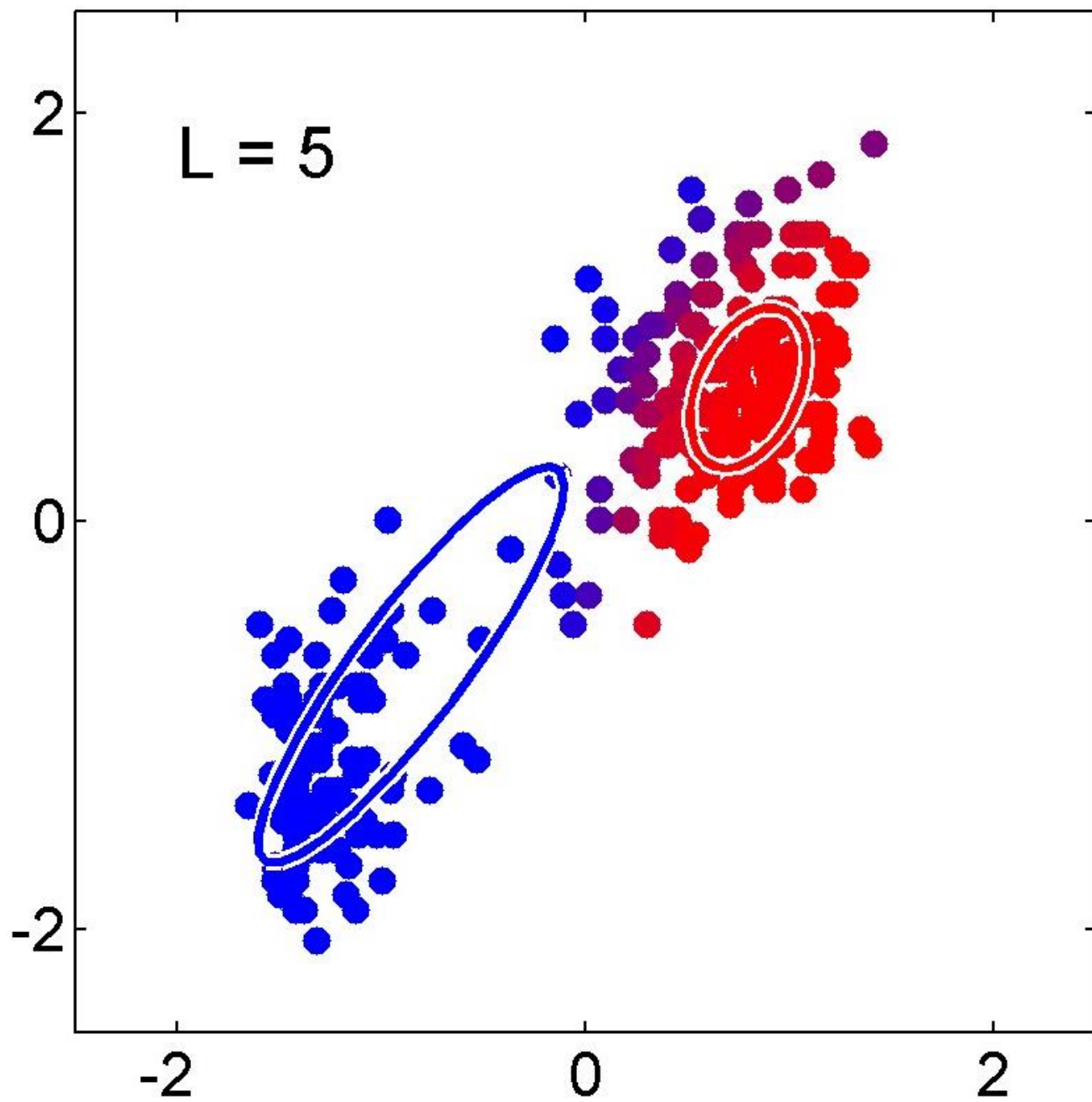
- For each Gaussian learner
 - Find the new value of parameters to maximize the *log likelihood*
 - Based on
 - Weight of points in the class
 - Location of the points
 - Gaussians are *pulled* toward data

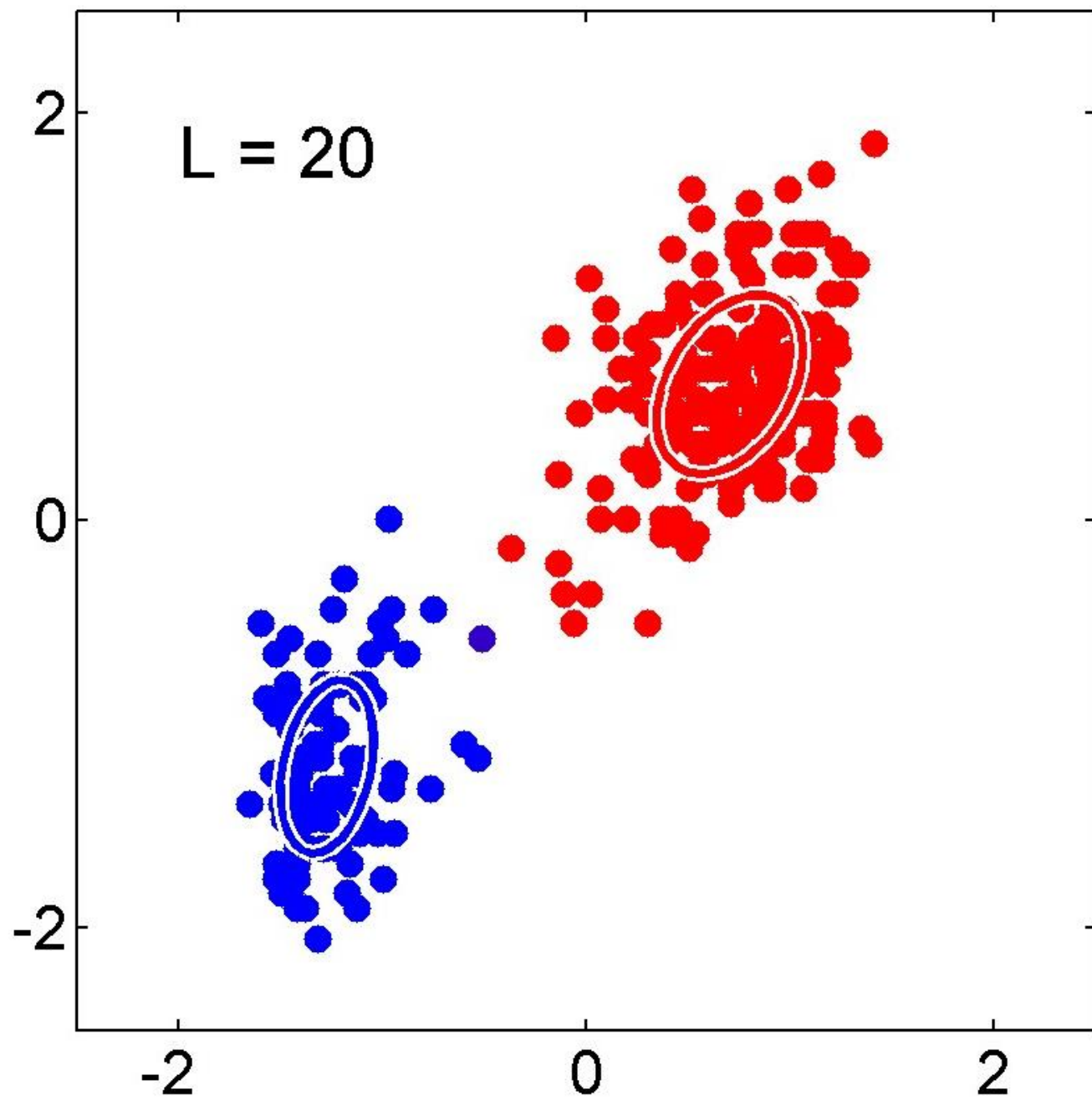












Challenges

- Can you try to obtain why K-means and EM algorithm on GMM have that form? Given the target function J :

- K-means: minimize

$$J = \sum_{t=1}^N \sum_{l=1}^K r_{tl} \|\mathbf{x}_t - \boldsymbol{\mu}_l\|^2$$

- EM: maximize

$$J = \prod_{t=1}^N \left[\sum_{l=1}^K \alpha_l G(\mathbf{x}_t | \boldsymbol{\mu}_l, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_l) \right]$$

$$\gamma_i(\mathbf{x}_n) = \frac{\pi_i \exp \left\{ -\|\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_i\|^2 / 2\epsilon \right\}}{\sum_j \pi_j \exp \left\{ -\|\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_j\|^2 / 2\epsilon \right\}} \rightarrow r_{ni} \in \{0, 1\}$$