

# **Data-Intensive Distributed Computing**

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# Structure of the Course

Analyzing Text

Analyzing Graphs

Analyzing  
Relational Data

Data Mining

“Core” framework features  
and algorithm design

# Theme: Similarity

How similar are two items? How “close” are two items?

Equivalent formulations: large distance = low similarity

Lots of applications!

Problem: find similar items

Offline variant: extract all similar pairs of objects from a large collection

Online variant: is this object similar to something I’ve seen before?

Last time!

Problem: arrange similar items into clusters

Offline variant: entire static collection available at once

Online variant: objects incrementally available

Today!

# Clustering Criteria

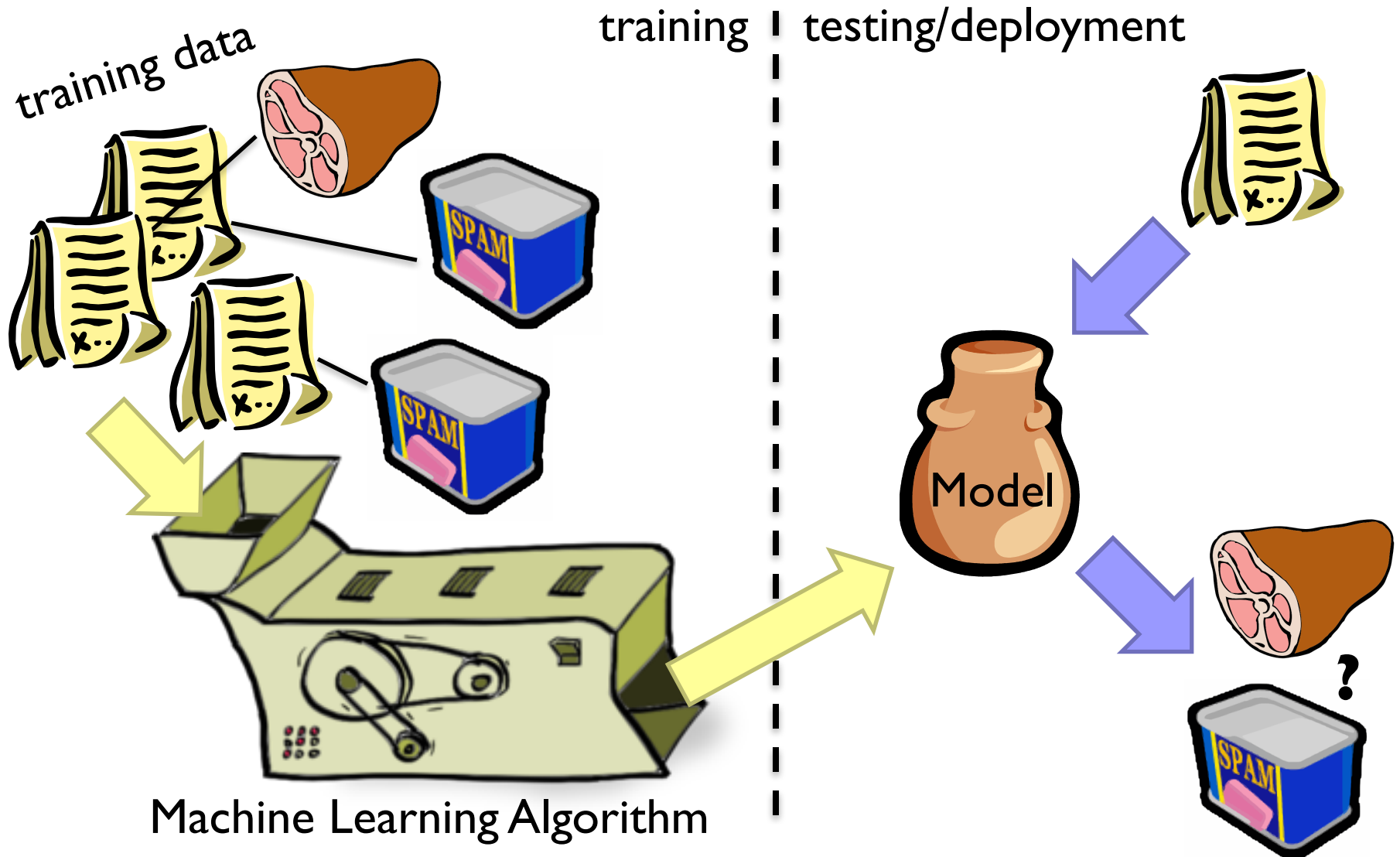
How to form clusters?

High similarity (low distance) between items in the same cluster

Low similarity (high distance) between items in different clusters

Cluster labeling is a separate (difficult) problem!

# Supervised Machine Learning



# *Unsupervised* Machine Learning

If supervised learning is function induction...  
what's unsupervised learning?

Learning something about the inherent structure of the data

What's it good for?

# Applications of Clustering

Clustering images to summarize search results

Clustering customers to infer viewing habits

Clustering biological sequences to understand evolution

Clustering sensor logs for outlier detection

# Evaluation

How do we know how well we're doing?

Classification

Nearest neighbor search

Clustering

*Inherent challenges of  
unsupervised techniques!*



**Clustering**

Clustering



# Clustering

Specify distance metric

Jaccard, Euclidean, cosine, etc.

Compute representation

Shingling, tf.idf, etc.

Apply clustering algorithm



# Distance Metrics



# Distance Metrics

1. Non-negativity:

$$d(x, y) \geq 0$$

2. Identity:

$$d(x, y) = 0 \iff x = y$$

3. Symmetry:

$$d(x, y) = d(y, x)$$

4. Triangle Inequality

$$d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(z, y)$$

# Distance: Jaccard

Given two sets  $A, B$

Jaccard similarity:

$$J(A, B) = \frac{|A \cap B|}{|A \cup B|}$$

$$d(A, B) = 1 - J(A, B)$$

# Distance: Norms

$$\text{Given } \begin{array}{l} x = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n] \\ y = [y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n] \end{array}$$

$$\text{Euclidean distance (L}_2\text{-norm)} \quad d(x, y) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=0}^n (x_i - y_i)^2}$$

$$\text{Manhattan distance (L}_1\text{-norm)} \quad d(x, y) = \sum_{i=0}^n |x_i - y_i|$$

$$\text{L}_r\text{-norm} \quad d(x, y) = \left[ \sum_{i=0}^n |x_i - y_i|^r \right]^{1/r}$$

# Distance: Cosine

$$\text{Given } \begin{array}{l} x = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n] \\ y = [y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n] \end{array}$$

Idea: measure distance between the vectors

$$\cos \theta = \frac{x \cdot y}{|x||y|}$$

Thus:

$$\text{sim}(x, y) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^n x_i y_i}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=0}^n x_i^2} \sqrt{\sum_{i=0}^n y_i^2}}$$

$$d(x, y) = 1 - \text{sim}(x, y)$$

Advantages over others?



# Representations





# Representations

(Text)

Unigrams (i.e., words)

Shingles =  $n$ -grams

At the word level

At the character level

Feature weights

boolean

tf.idf

BM25

...

# Representations

(Beyond Text)

For recommender systems:

Items as features for users

Users as features for items

For graphs:

Adjacency lists as features for vertices

For log data:

Behaviors (clicks) as features

# Clustering Algorithms

Hierarchical

*K*-Means

Gaussian Mixture Models

# Hierarchical Agglomerative Clustering

Start with each document in its own cluster

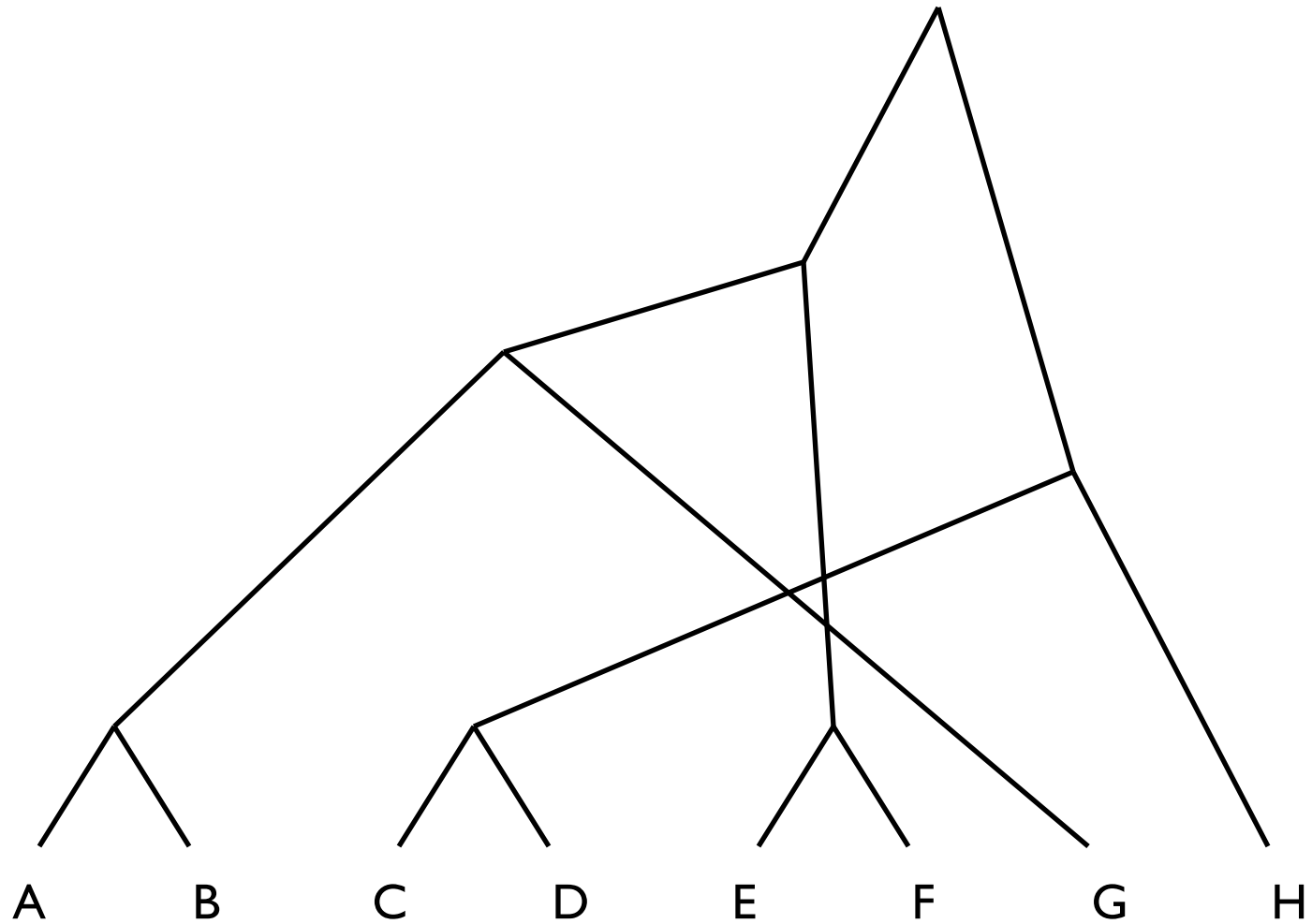
Until there is only one cluster:

Find the two clusters  $c_i$  and  $c_j$ , that are most similar

Replace  $c_i$  and  $c_j$  with a single cluster  $c_i \cup c_j$

The history of merges forms the hierarchy

# HAC in Action



# Cluster Merging

Which two clusters do we merge?

What's the similarity between two clusters?

Single Link: similarity of two most similar members

Complete Link: similarity of two least similar members

Group Average: average similarity between members

# Link Functions

Single link:

Uses maximum similarity of pairs:

$$\text{sim}(c_i, c_j) = \max_{x \in c_i, y \in c_j} \text{sim}(x, y)$$

Can result in “straggly” (long and thin) clusters due to *chaining effect*

Complete link:

Use minimum similarity of pairs:

$$\text{sim}(c_i, c_j) = \min_{x \in c_i, y \in c_j} \text{sim}(x, y)$$

Makes more “tight” spherical clusters

# MapReduce Implementation

What's the inherent challenge?  
Practicality as in-memory final step



# K-Means Algorithm

Select  $k$  random instances  $\{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k\}$  as initial centroids

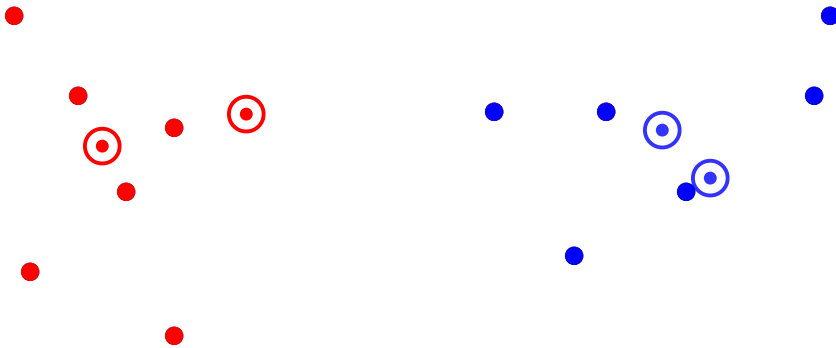
Iterate:

Assign each instance to closest centroid

Update centroids based on assigned instances

$$\mu(c) = \frac{1}{|c|} \sum_{x \in c} x$$

# K-Means Clustering Example



Pick seeds

Reassign clusters

Compute centroids

Reassign clusters

Compute centroids

Reassign clusters

**Converged!**

# Basic MapReduce Implementation

```
1: class MAPPER
2:   method CONFIGURE()
3:      $c \leftarrow \text{LOADCLUSTERS}()$ 
4:   method MAP(id  $i$ , point  $p$ )
5:      $n \leftarrow \text{NEARESTCLUSTERID}(\text{clusters } c, \text{point } p)$ 
6:      $p \leftarrow \text{EXTENDPOINT}(\text{point } p)$ 
7:      $\text{EMIT}(\text{clusterid } n, \text{point } p)$ 
1: class REDUCER
2:   method REDUCE(clusterid  $n$ , points  $[p_1, p_2, \dots]$ )
3:      $s \leftarrow \text{INITPOINTSUM}()$ 
4:     for all point  $p \in \text{points}$  do
5:        $s \leftarrow s + p$ 
6:      $m \leftarrow \text{COMPUTECENTROID}(\text{point } s)$ 
7:      $\text{EMIT}(\text{clusterid } n, \text{centroid } m)$ 
```

(Just a clever way to keep track of denominator)

# MapReduce Implementation w/ IMC

```
1: class MAPPER
2:   method CONFIGURE()
3:      $c \leftarrow \text{LOADCLUSTERS}()$ 
4:      $H \leftarrow \text{INITASSOCIATIVEARRAY}()$ 
5:   method MAP(id  $i$ , point  $p$ )
6:      $n \leftarrow \text{NEARESTCLUSTERID}(\text{clusters } c, \text{point } p)$ 
7:      $p \leftarrow \text{EXTENDPOINT}(\text{point } p)$ 
8:      $H\{n\} \leftarrow H\{n\} + p$ 
9:   method CLOSE()
10:    for all clusterid  $n \in H$  do
11:       $\text{EMIT}(\text{clusterid } n, \text{point } H\{n\})$ 
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What about Spark?

# Implementation Notes

Standard setup of iterative MapReduce algorithms

- Driver program sets up MapReduce job

  - Waits for completion

  - Checks for convergence

  - Repeats if necessary

Must be able keep cluster centroids in memory

- With large  $k$ , large feature spaces, potentially an issue

- Memory requirements of centroids grow over time!

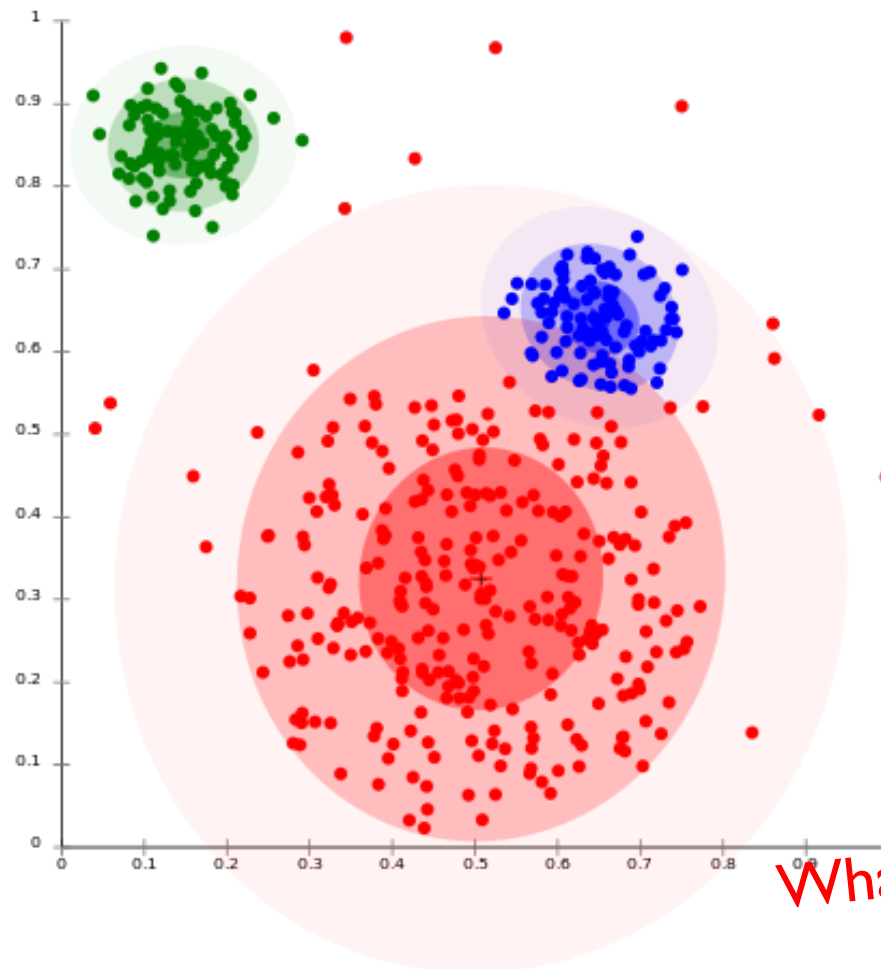
Variant:  $k$ -medoids

How do you select initial seeds?

How do you select  $k$ ?

# Clustering w/ Gaussian Mixture Models

Model data as a mixture of Gaussians  
Given data, recover model parameters



What's with models?

# Gaussian Distributions

Univariate Gaussian (i.e., Normal):

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

A random variable with such a distribution we write as:

$$x \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

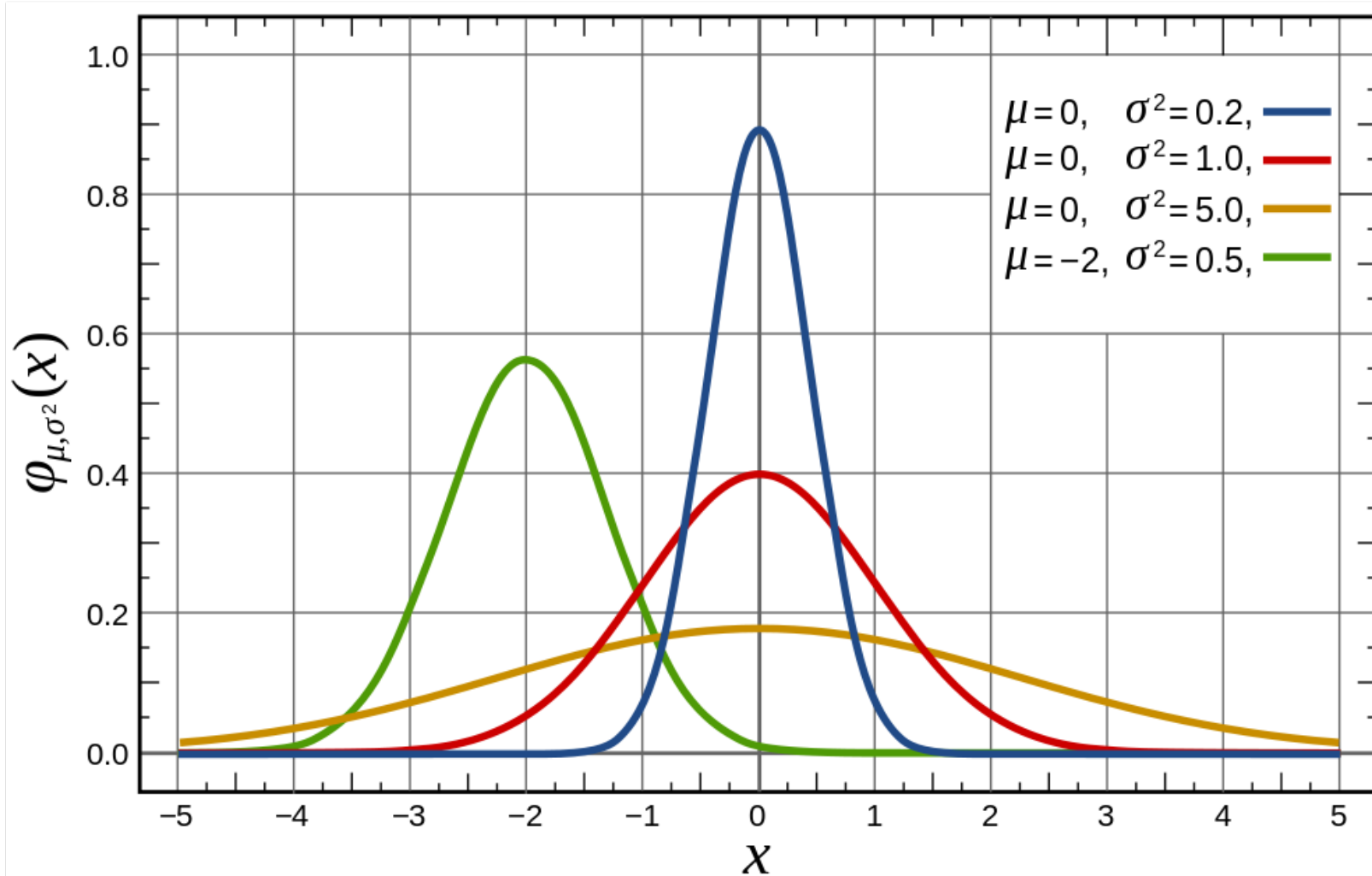
Multivariate Gaussian:

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

A random variable with such a distribution we write as:

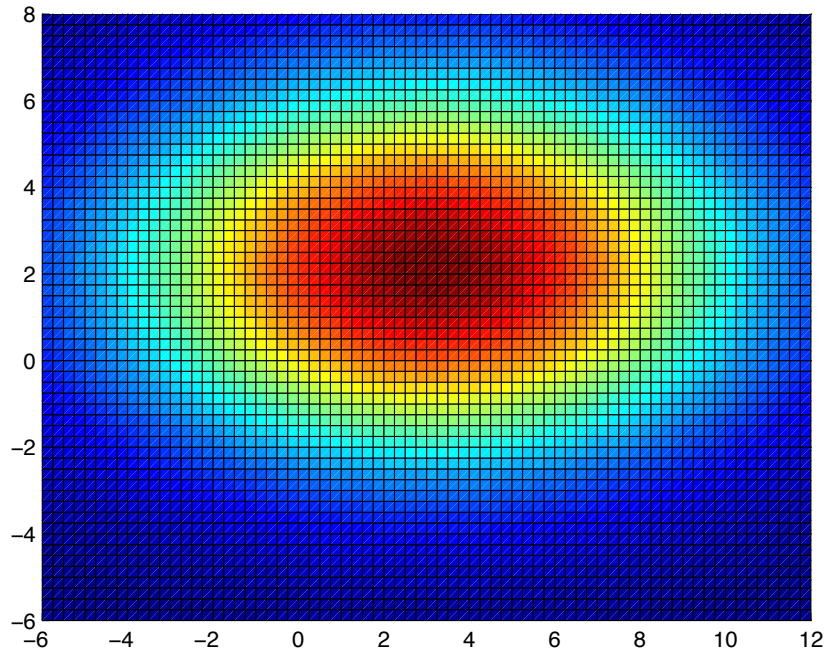
$$\mathbf{x} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \Sigma)$$

# Univariate Gaussian

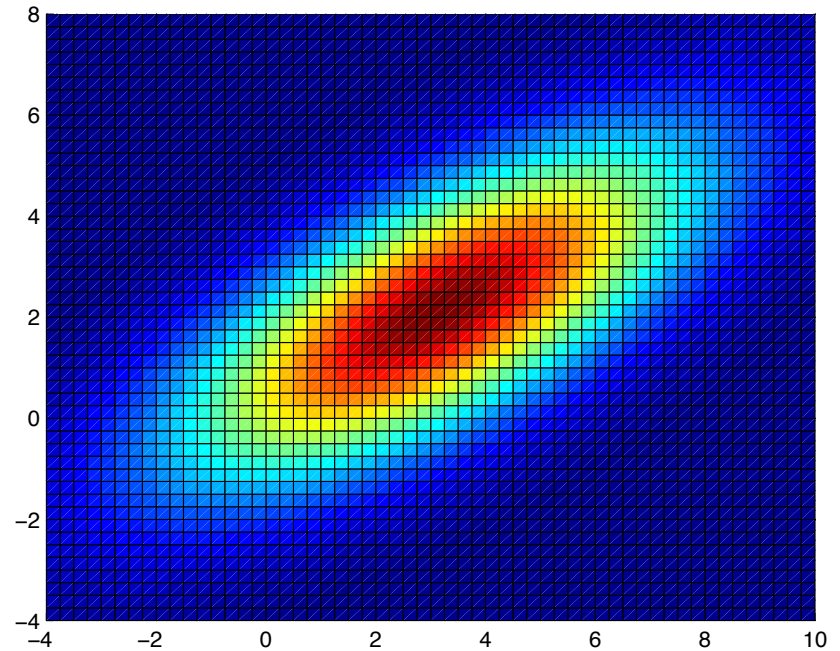




# Multivariate Gaussians



$$\mu = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 25 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\mu = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 5 \\ 5 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Gaussian Mixture Models

## Model Parameters

Number of components:  $K$

“Mixing” weight vector:  $\pi$

For each Gaussian, mean and covariance matrix:  $\mu_{1:K}$   $\Sigma_{1:K}$

**The generative story?**  
(yes, that's a technical term)

Problem: Given the data, recover the model parameters

Varying constraints on co-variance matrices

Spherical vs. diagonal vs. full

Tied vs. untied

# Learning for Simple Univariate Case

Problem setup:

Given number of components:  $K$

Given points:  $x_{1:N}$

Learn parameters:  $\pi, \mu_{1:K}, \sigma_{1:K}^2$

Model selection criterion: maximize likelihood of data

Introduce indicator variables:

$$z_{n,k} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x_n \text{ is in cluster } k \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Likelihood of the data:

$$p(x_{1:N}, z_{1:N,1:K} | \mu_{1:K}, \sigma_{1:K}^2, \pi)$$

# EM to the Rescue!

We're faced with this:

$$p(x_{1:N}, z_{1:N, 1:K} | \mu_{1:K}, \sigma_{1:K}^2, \pi)$$

It'd be a lot easier if we knew the z's!

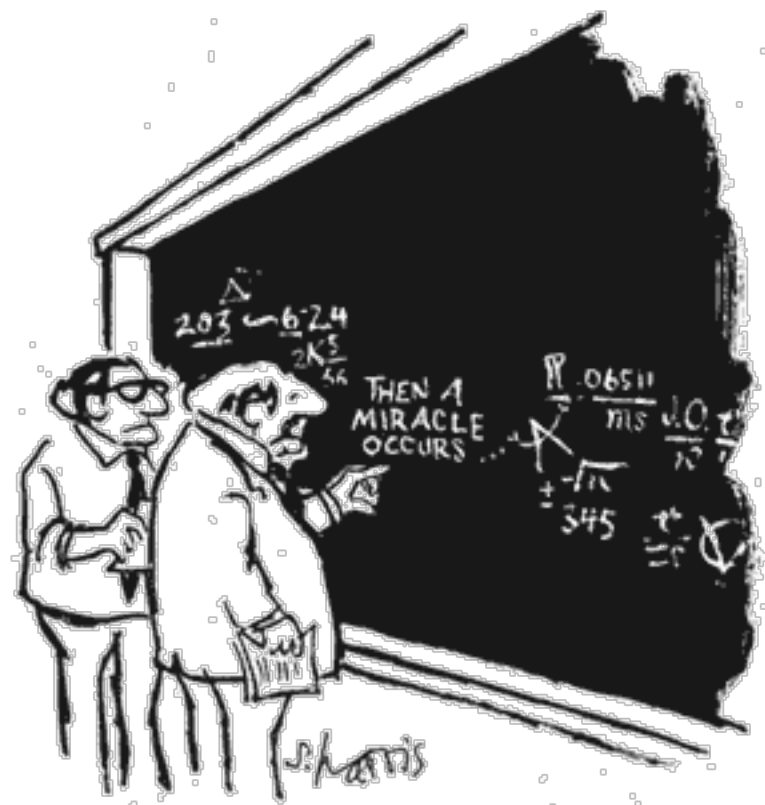
## Expectation Maximization

Guess the model parameters

E-step: Compute posterior distribution over latent (hidden) variables given the model parameters

M-step: Update model parameters using posterior distribution computed in the E-step

Iterate until convergence



"I THINK YOU SHOULD BE MORE EXPLICIT HERE IN STEP TWO."

# EM for Univariate GMMs

**Initialize:**  $\pi, \mu_{1:K}, \sigma_{1:K}^2$

**Iterate:**

**E-step:** compute expectation of z variables

$$\mathbb{E}[z_{n,k}] = \frac{\mathcal{N}(x_n | \mu_k, \sigma_k^2) \cdot \pi_k}{\sum_{k'} \mathcal{N}(x_n | \mu_{k'}, \sigma_{k'}^2) \cdot \pi_{k'}}$$

**M-step:** compute new model parameters

$$\pi_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_n z_{n,k}$$

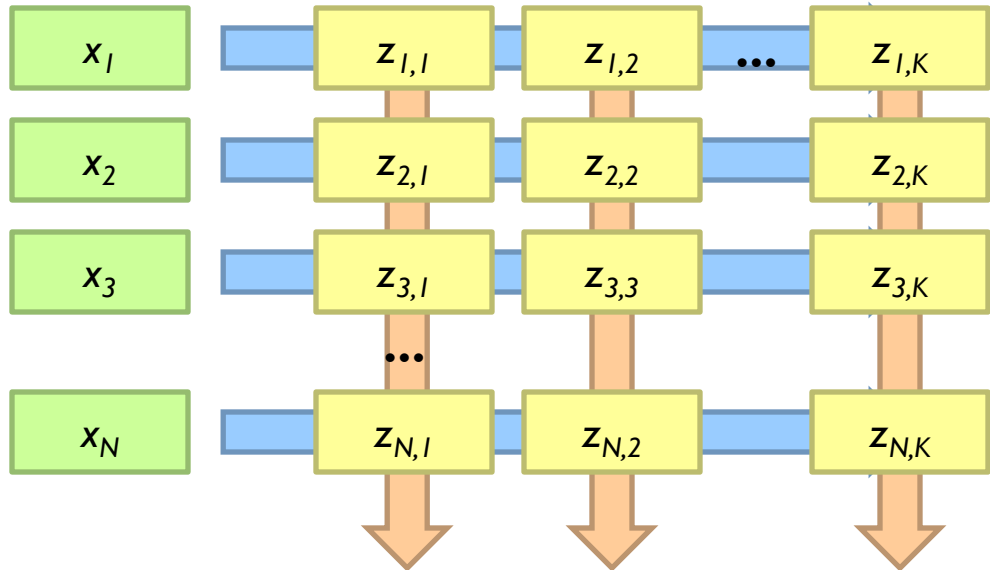
$$\mu_k = \frac{1}{\sum_n z_{n,k}} \sum_n z_{n,k} \cdot x_n$$

$$\sigma_k^2 = \frac{1}{\sum_n z_{n,k}} \sum_n z_{n,k} \|x_n - \mu_k\|^2$$

# MapReduce Implementation

Map

$$\mathbb{E}[z_{n,k}] = \frac{\mathcal{N}(x_n | \mu_k, \sigma_k^2) \cdot \pi_k}{\sum_{k'} \mathcal{N}(x_n | \mu_{k'}, \sigma_{k'}^2) \cdot \pi_{k'}}$$



Reduce

$$\pi_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_n z_{n,k}$$

$$\mu_k = \frac{1}{\sum_n z_{n,k}} \sum_n z_{n,k} \cdot x_n$$

$$\sigma_k^2 = \frac{1}{\sum_n z_{n,k}} \sum_n z_{n,k} \|x_n - \mu_k\|^2$$

What about Spark?

# K-Means vs. GMMs

## K-Means

## GMM

Map

Compute distance of  
points to centroids

E-step: compute expectation  
of  $z$  indicator variables

Reduce

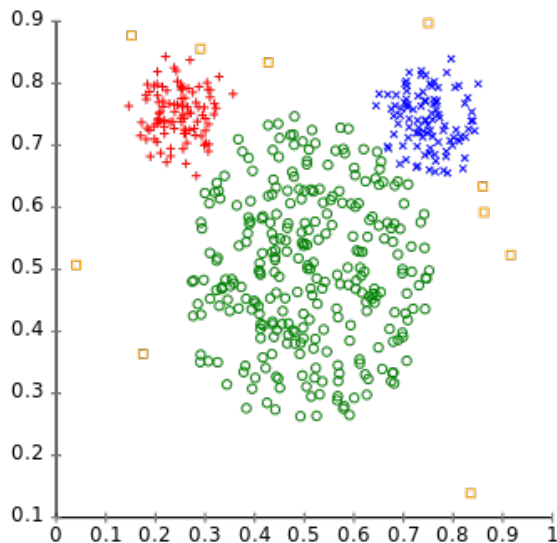
Recompute new  
centroids

M-step: update values of  
model parameters

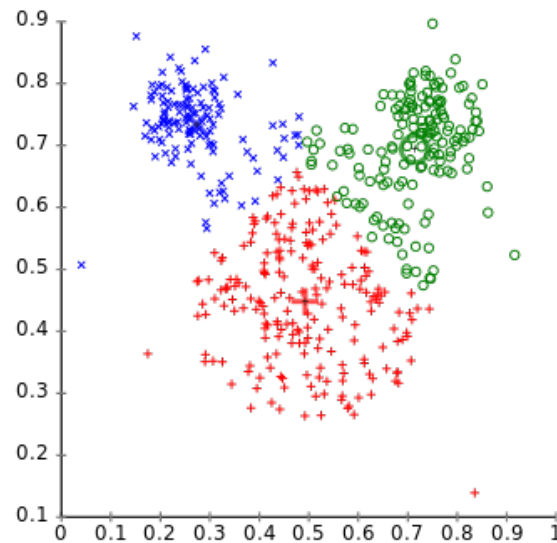


## Different cluster analysis results on "mouse" data set:

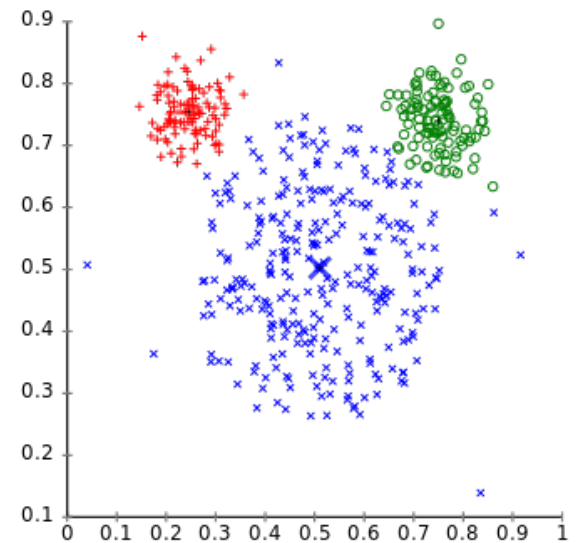
Original Data



k-Means Clustering



EM Clustering







# Questions?