

ML  $\begin{cases} \text{unsupervised} \leadsto \text{We only focus on } \underline{X} \leadsto \text{clustering} \\ \text{supervised} \leadsto \text{We have both } X \text{ \& } Y \leadsto \text{Regression \& Classification} \end{cases}$

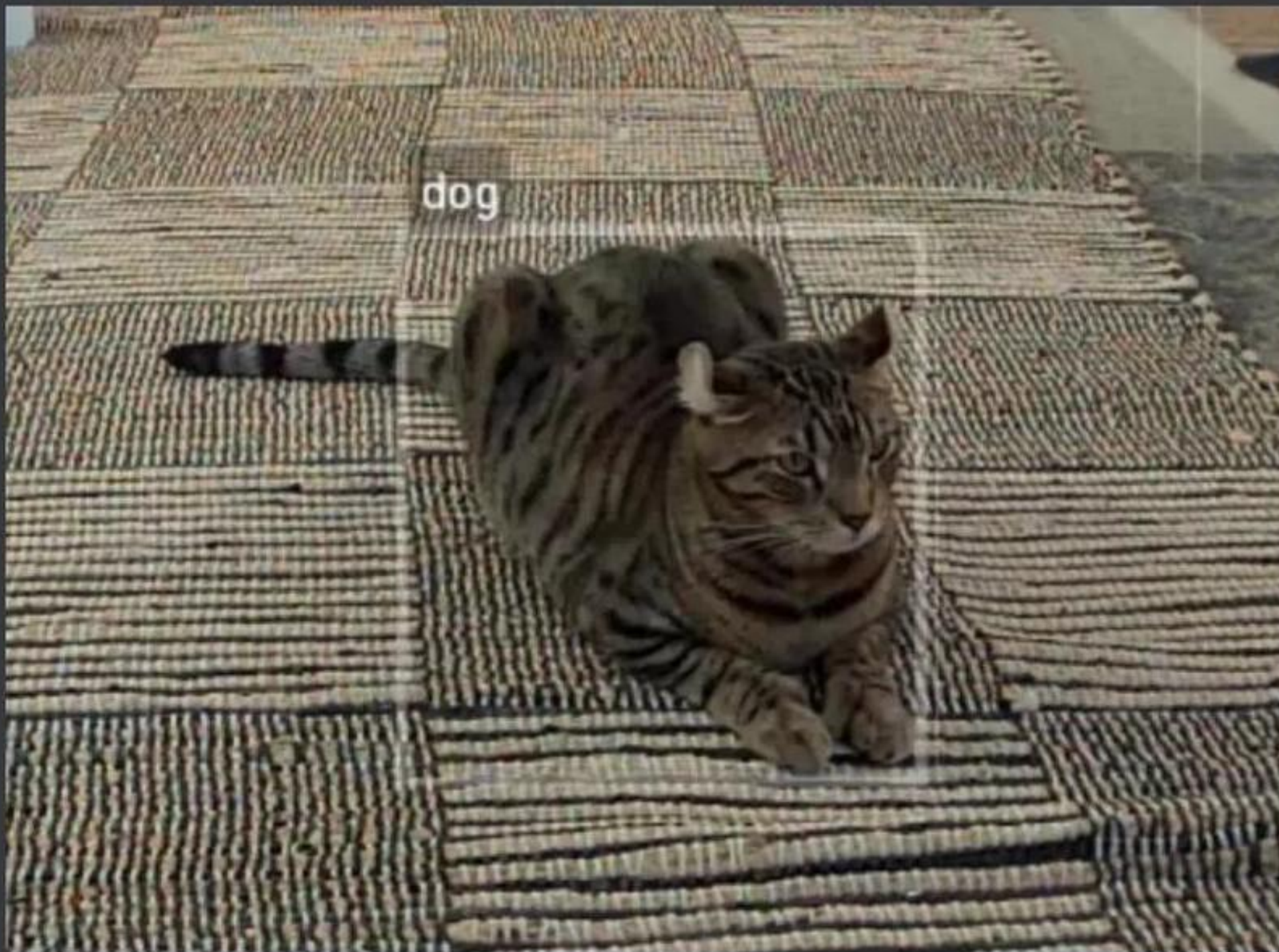
$\frac{X_{n \times d}}{\downarrow}$   
datapoints

$\frac{Y_{n \times 1}}{\text{labels or target values or outputs}}$

# Clustering Analysis and K-Means

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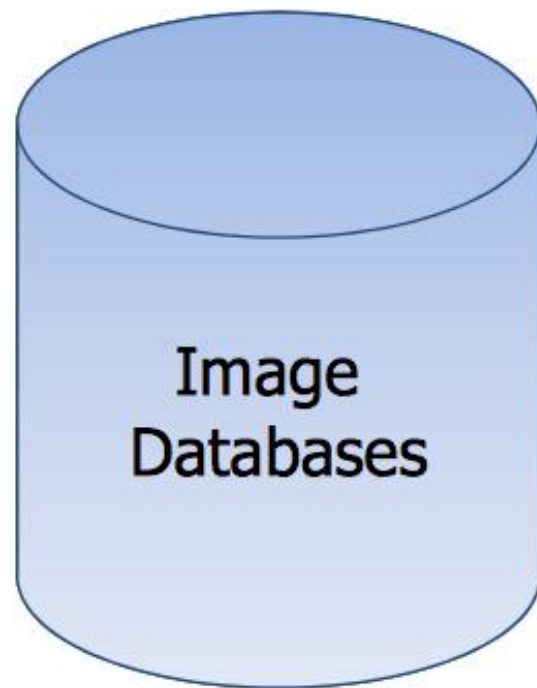
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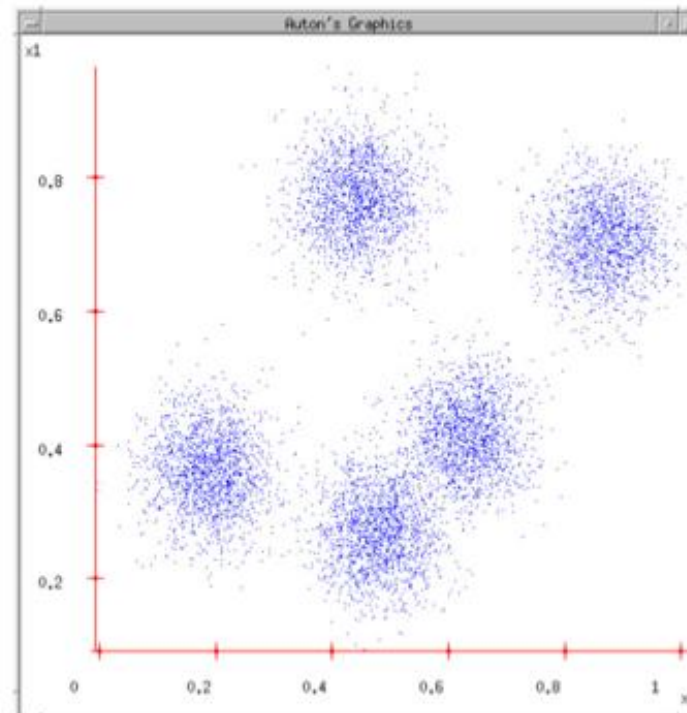
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# Clustering Images



## Goal of clustering:

Divide object into groups,  
and objects within a group  
are more similar than  
those outside the group



# Clustering Other Objects



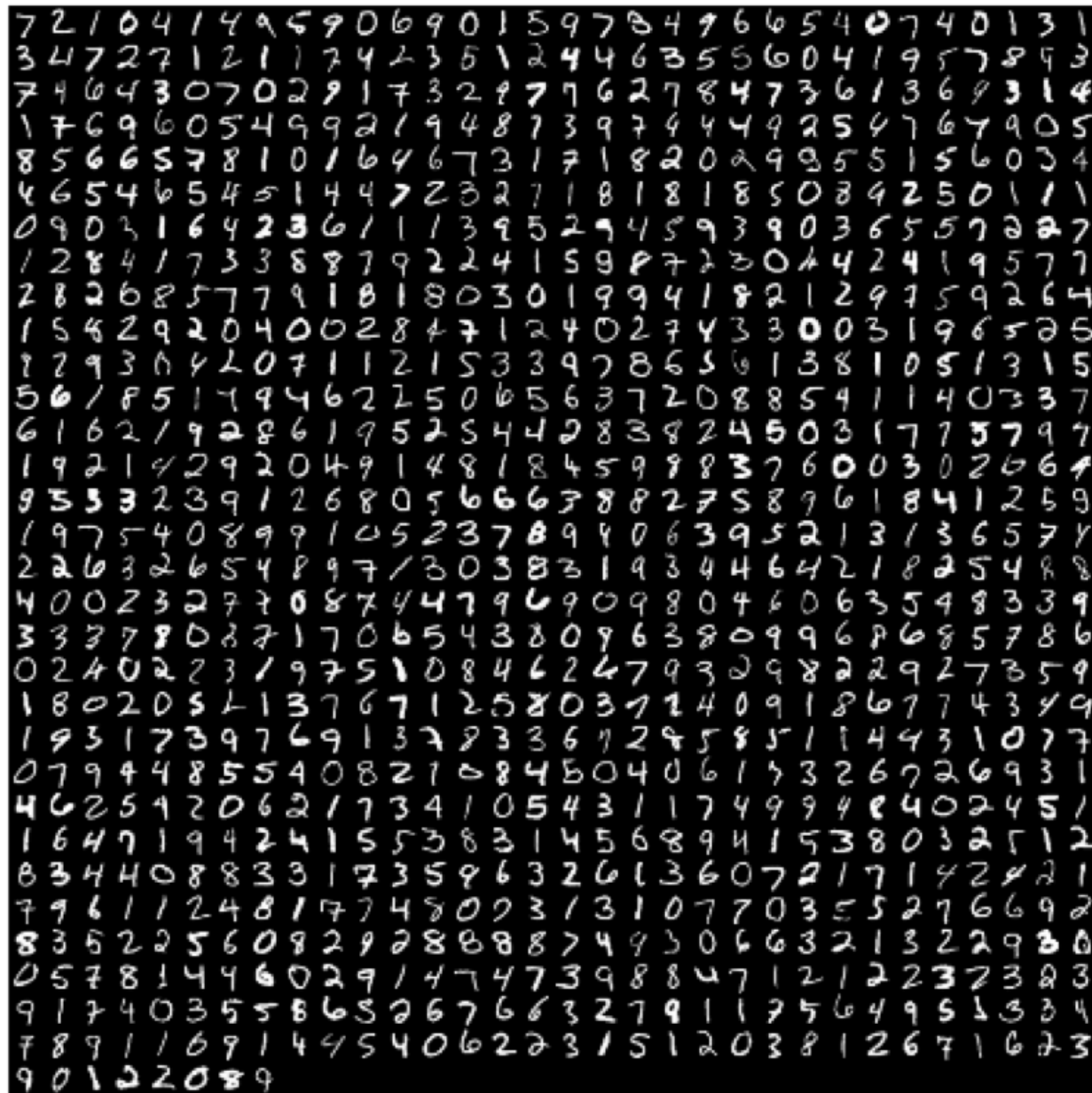
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Danish **Peder**  
Couldn't find it – Finish?  
Irish Peka  
Peadar

Linguistic Similarity

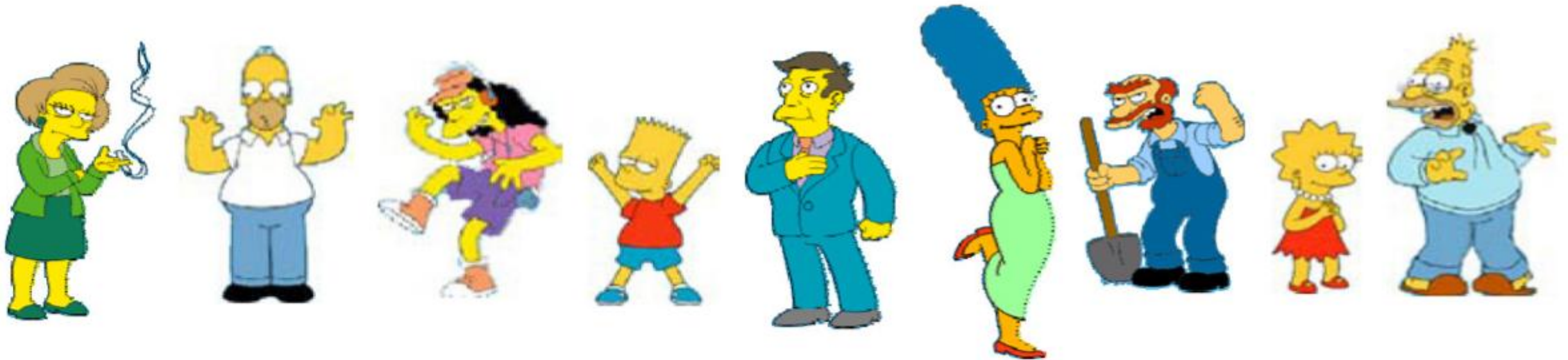


# Clustering Hand Digits

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

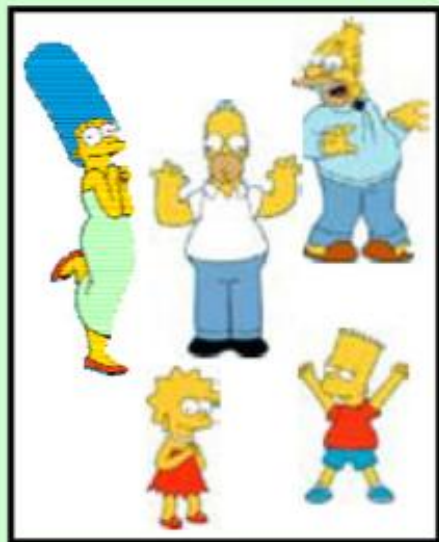


# Clustering is Subjective



What is consider similar/dissimilar?

## Clustering is subjective



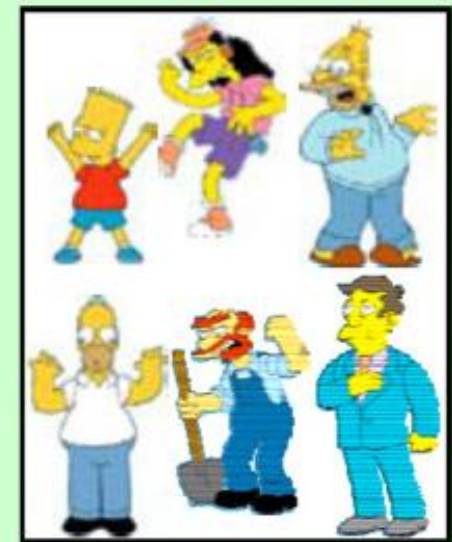
Simpson's Family



School Employees



Females



Males

Are they similar or not?



# So What is Clustering in General?

- You pick your similarity/dissimilarity function
- The algorithm figures out the grouping of objects based on the chosen similarity/dissimilarity function
  - Points within a cluster is similar
  - Points across clusters are not so similar
- Issues for clustering
  - How to represent objects? (Vector space? Normalization?)
  - What is a similarity/dissimilarity function for your data?
  - What are the algorithm steps?

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# Properties of Similarity Function

- Desired properties of dissimilarity function
  - Symmetry:  $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$ 
    - *Otherwise you could claim "Alex looks like Bob, but Bob looks nothing like Alex"*
  - Positive separability:  $d(x, y) = 0$ , if and only if  $x = y$ 
    - *Otherwise there are objects that are different, but you cannot tell apart*
  - Triangular inequality:  $d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(z, y)$ 
    - *Otherwise you could claim "Alex is very like Bob, and Alex is very like Carl, but Bob is very unlike Carl"*

# Distance Functions for Vectors

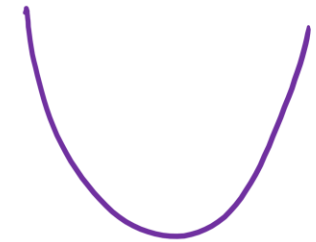
- Suppose two data points, both in  $\mathbb{R}^d$

- $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d)$

- $y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_d)$



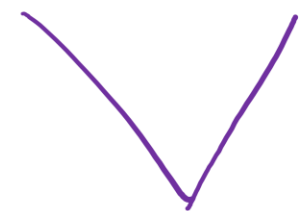
- Euclidean distance:  $d(x, y) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - y_i)^2}$



- Minkowski distance:  $d(x, y) = \sqrt[p]{\sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - y_i)^p}$

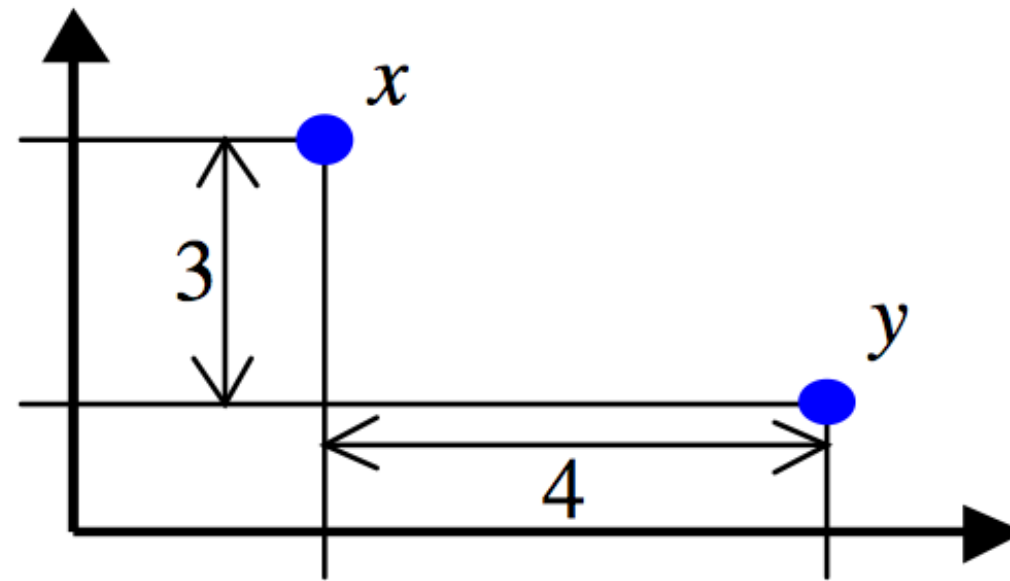
- Euclidean distance:  $p = 2$

- Manhattan distance:  $p = 1, d(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^d |x_i - y_i|$



- “inf”-distance:  $p = \infty, d(x, y) = \max_{i=1}^d |x_i - y_i|$

# Example



- Euclidean distance:  $\sqrt{4^2 + 3^2} = 5$
- Manhattan distance:  $4 + 3 = 7$
- “inf”-distance:  $\max\{4, 3\} = 4$

# Some problems with Euclidean distance

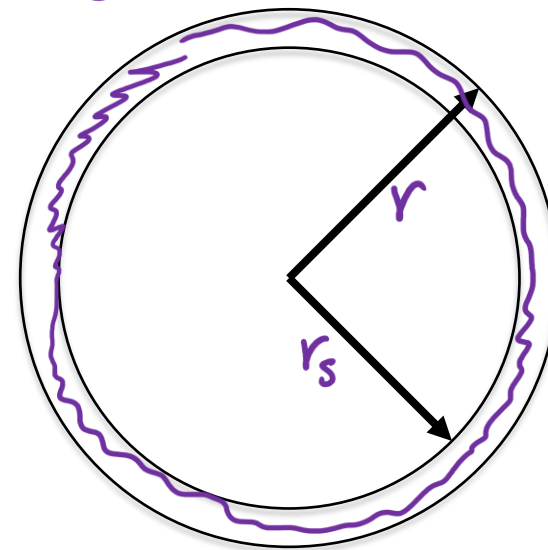


$$V_T = \left(\frac{4}{3}\pi\right) r^d = c r^d$$

$$V_I = c r_s^d$$

$$V_{\text{shell}} = V_T - V_I = c r^d - c r_s^d$$

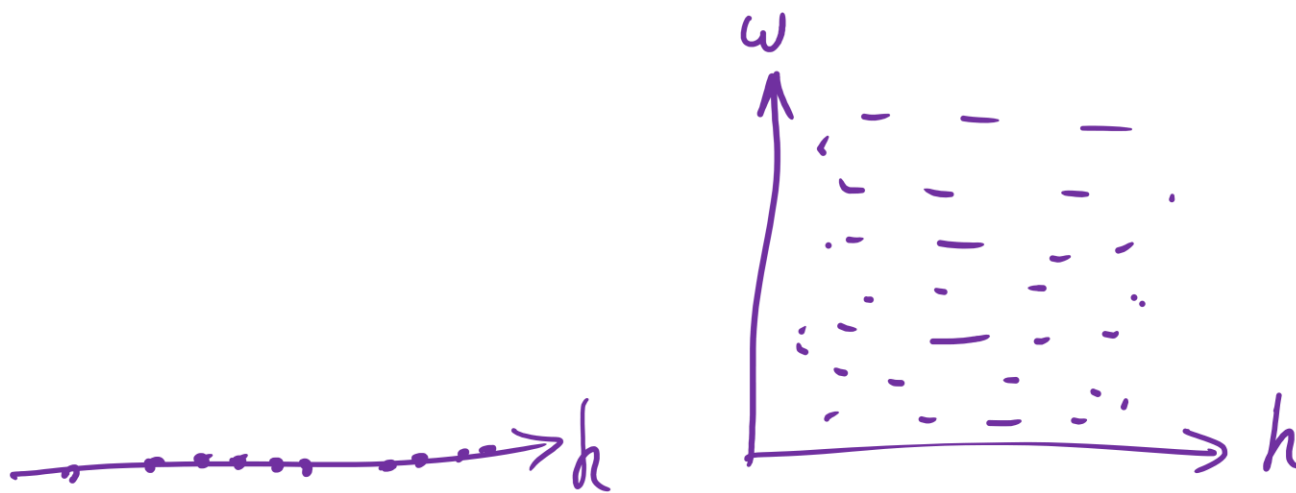
$$\frac{V_{\text{shell}}}{V_{\text{Total}}} = \frac{c r^d - c r_s^d}{c r^d} = 1 - \left(\frac{r_s}{r}\right)^d$$



$$0 < \frac{r_s}{r} \leq 1$$

$$d \rightarrow \infty \leadsto \left(\frac{r_s}{r}\right)^d \leadsto 0$$

$$V_{\text{shell}} \approx V_{\text{Total}}$$



# Hamming Distance

- Manhattan distance is also called *Hamming distance* when all features are binary
  - Count the number of difference between two binary vectors
  - Example,  $x, y \in \{0,1\}^{17}$

|     | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
|-----|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| $x$ | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0  | 0  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 1  |
| $y$ | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 0  | 1  | 1  |

$$d(x, y) = 5$$

# Edit Distance

- Transform one of the objects into the other, and measure how much effort it takes

|     |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|-----|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $x$ | I | N | T | E | * | N | T | I | O | N |
|     |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| $y$ | * | E | X | E | C | U | T | I | O | N |
|     | d | s | s |   | i | s |   |   |   |   |

d: deletion (cost 5)

s: substitution (cost 1)

i: insertion (cost 2)

$$d(x, y) = 5 \times 1 + 3 \times 1 + 1 \times 2 = 10$$

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$K \rightsquigarrow$  The number of  
clusters  
buckets  
segments  
components

$(C_1)$   $C_2$   
cluster 1 cluster 2

# Results of K-Means Clustering:



Image



Clusters on intensity



Clusters on color

K-means clustering using intensity alone and color alone



Image



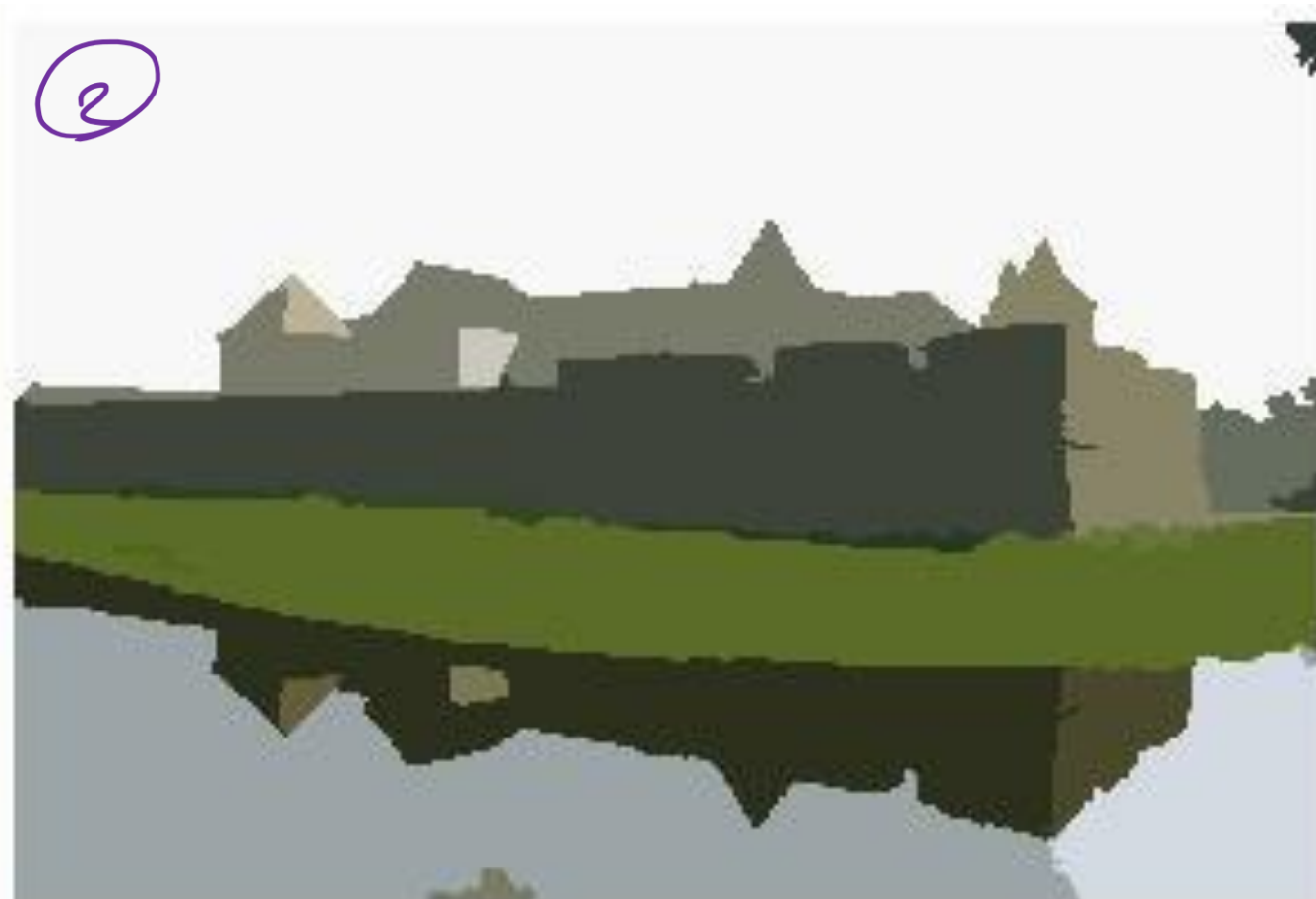
Clusters on color

K-means using color alone, 11 segments (clusters)

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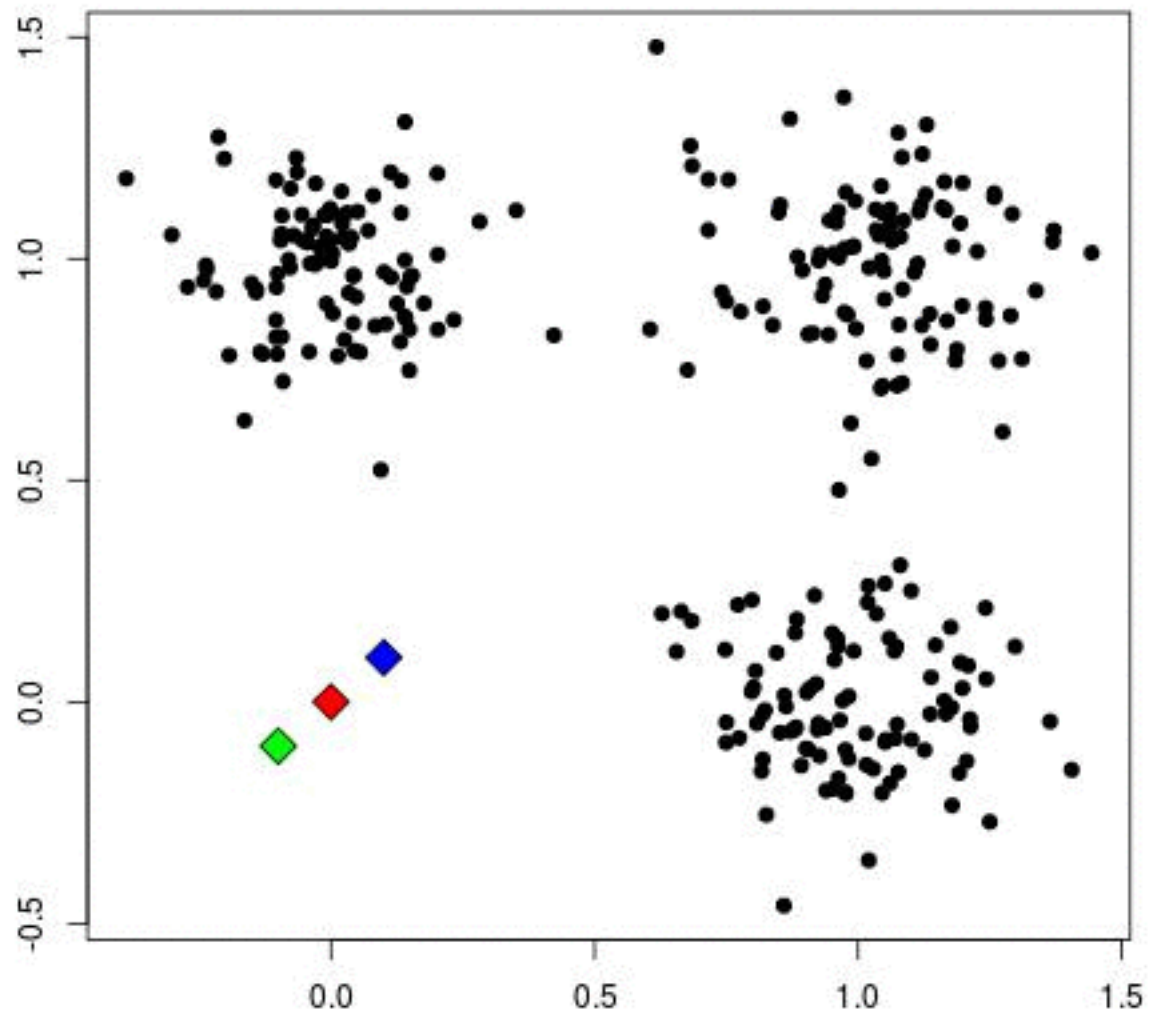


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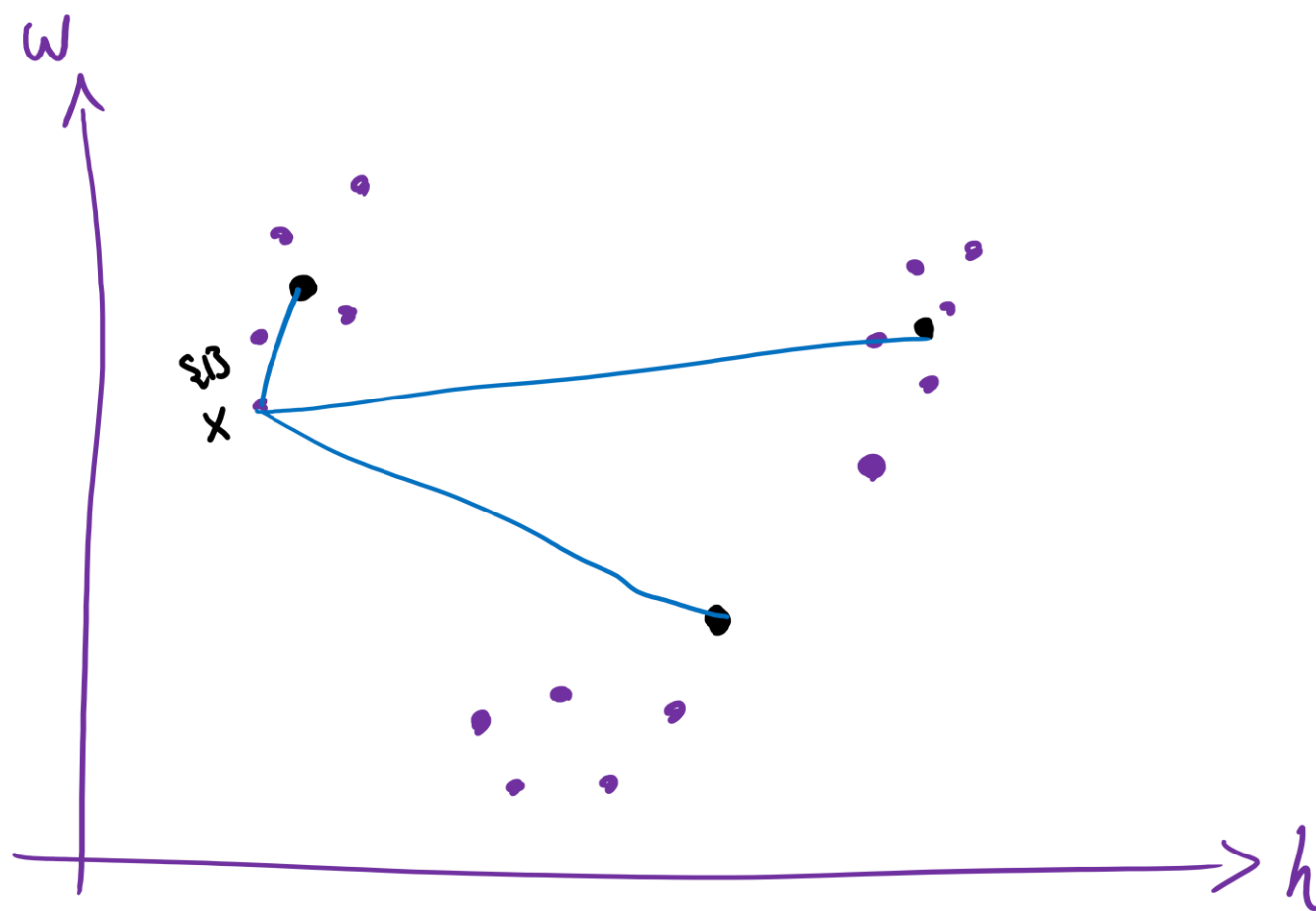


# K-Means Algorithm

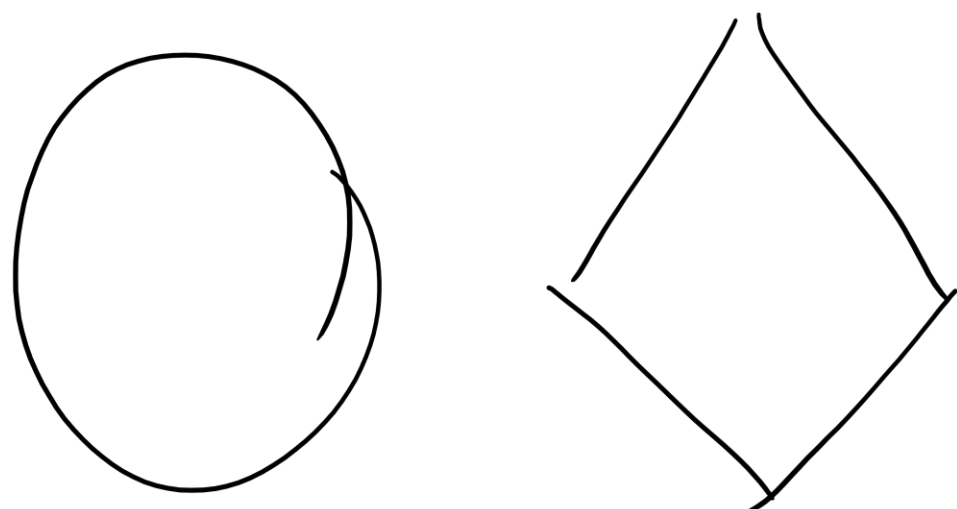
Start!



[Visualizing K-Means Clustering](#)



$$X = \begin{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \{x_1\} \\ x \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} h \\ w \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} \{x_2\} \\ x \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} h \\ w \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} \{x_3\} \\ x \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} h \\ w \end{matrix} \end{bmatrix}$$



# K-Means Algorithm

- Initialize  $k$  cluster centers,  $\{c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k\}$ , randomly

- Do

- Decide the cluster memberships of each data point,  $x_i$  by assigning it to the nearest cluster center (cluster assignment)

$$\pi(i) = \underset{j=1,\dots,k}{\operatorname{argmin}} \quad \|x_i - c_j\|^2 \quad \text{Expectation}$$

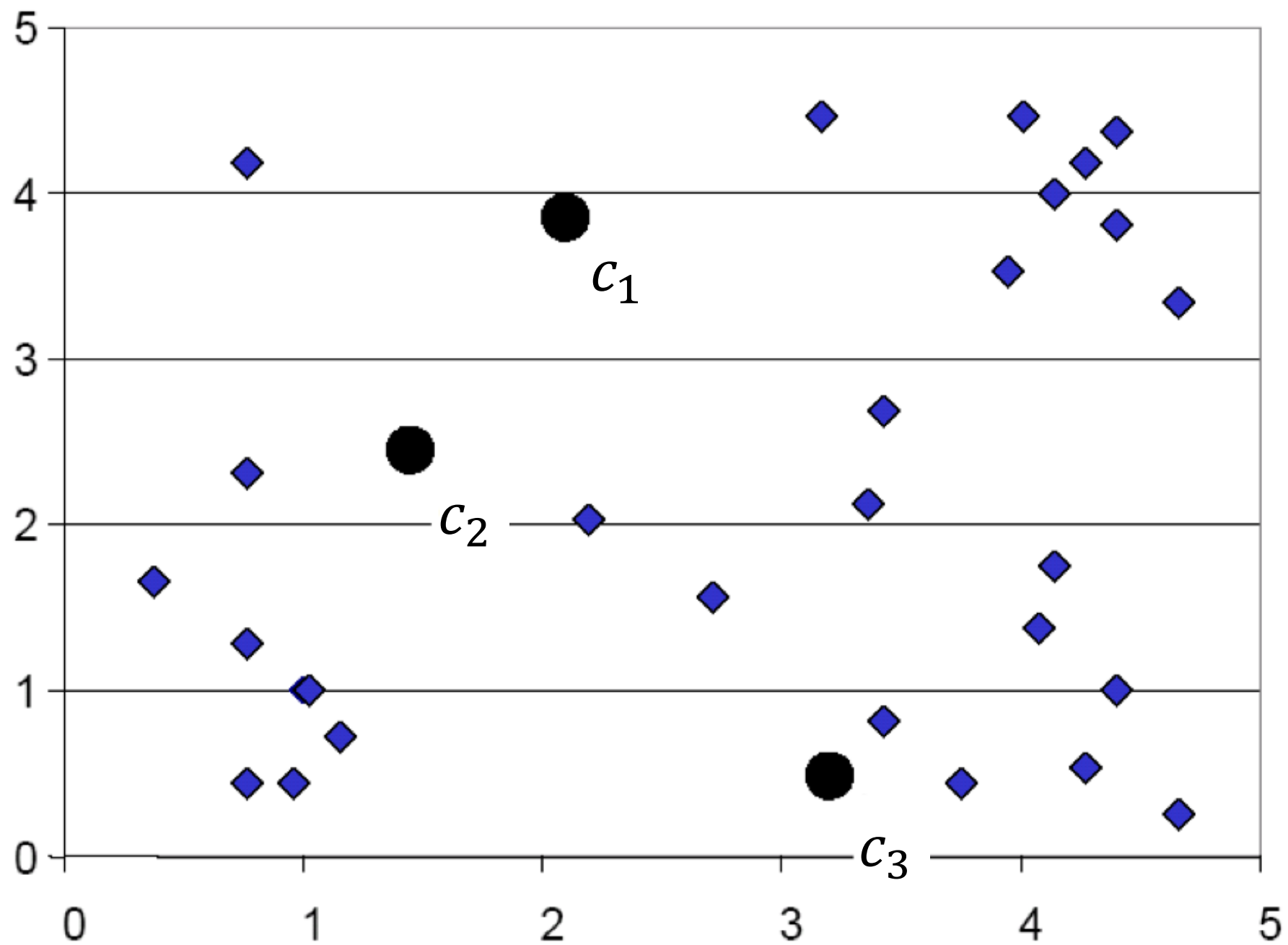
- Adjust the cluster centers (center adjustment)

$$c_j = \frac{1}{|\{i: \pi(i) = j\}|} \sum_{i: \pi(i)} x_i \quad \text{Maximization}$$

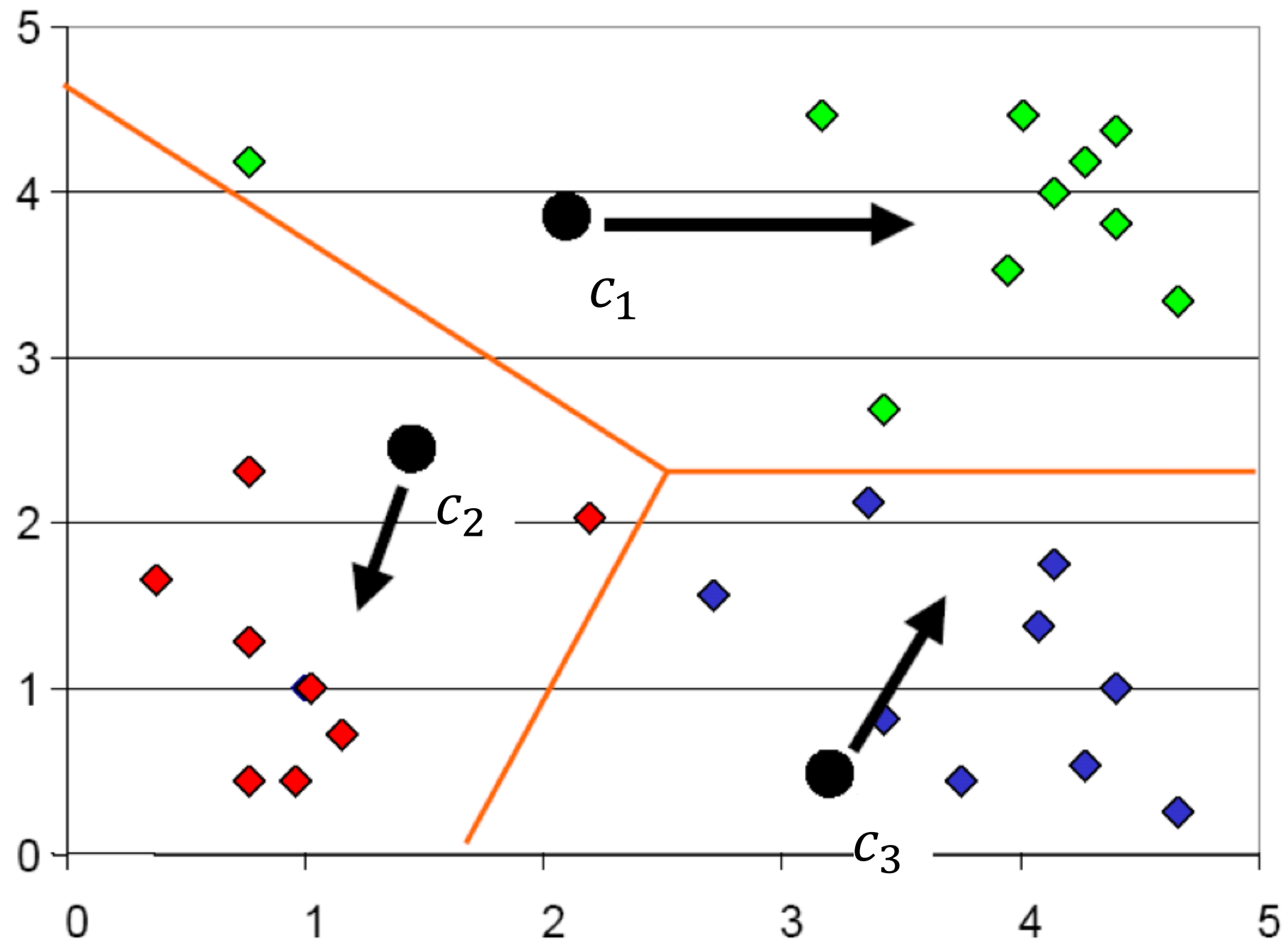
- While any cluster center has been changed

EM algorithm

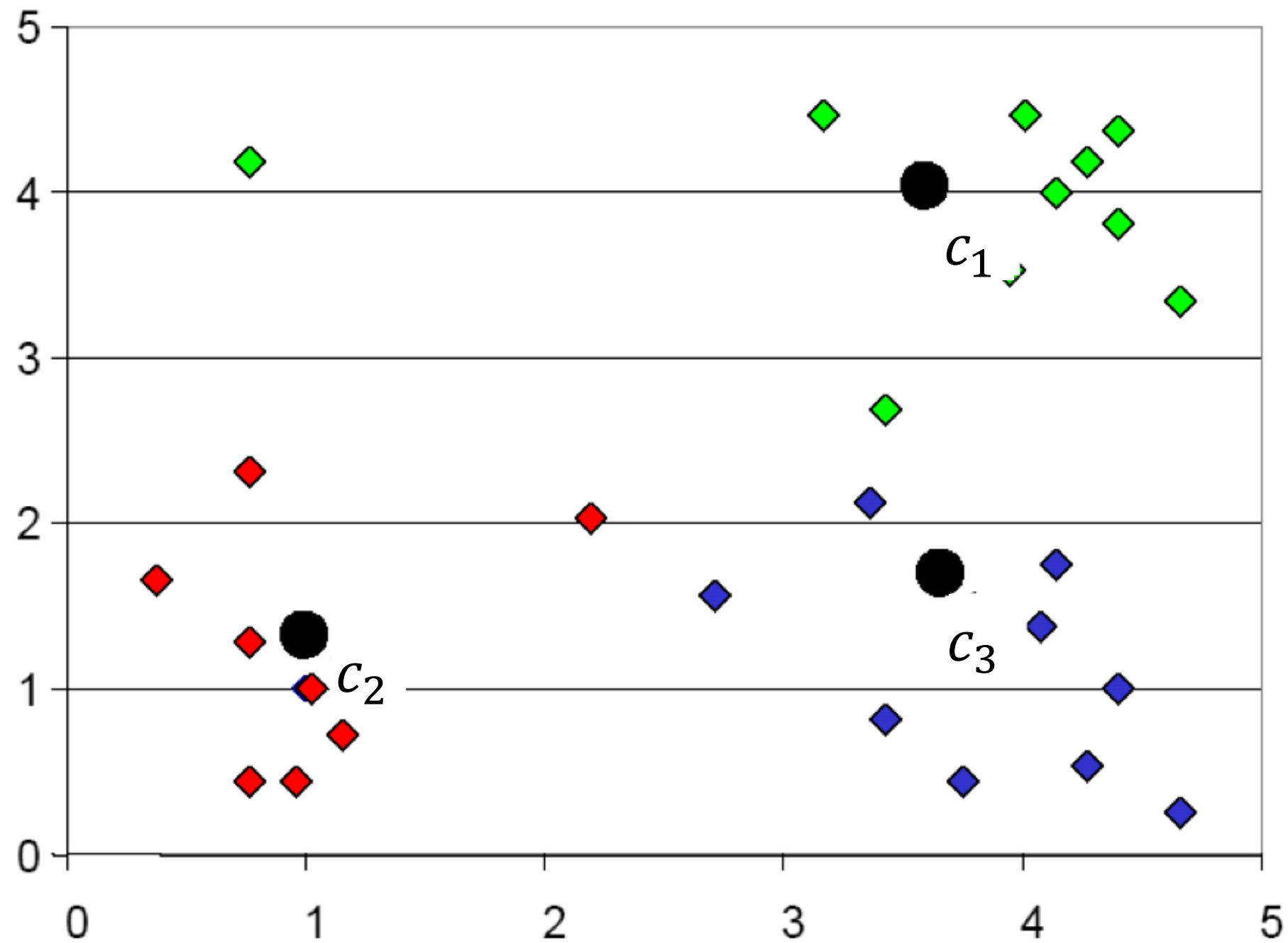
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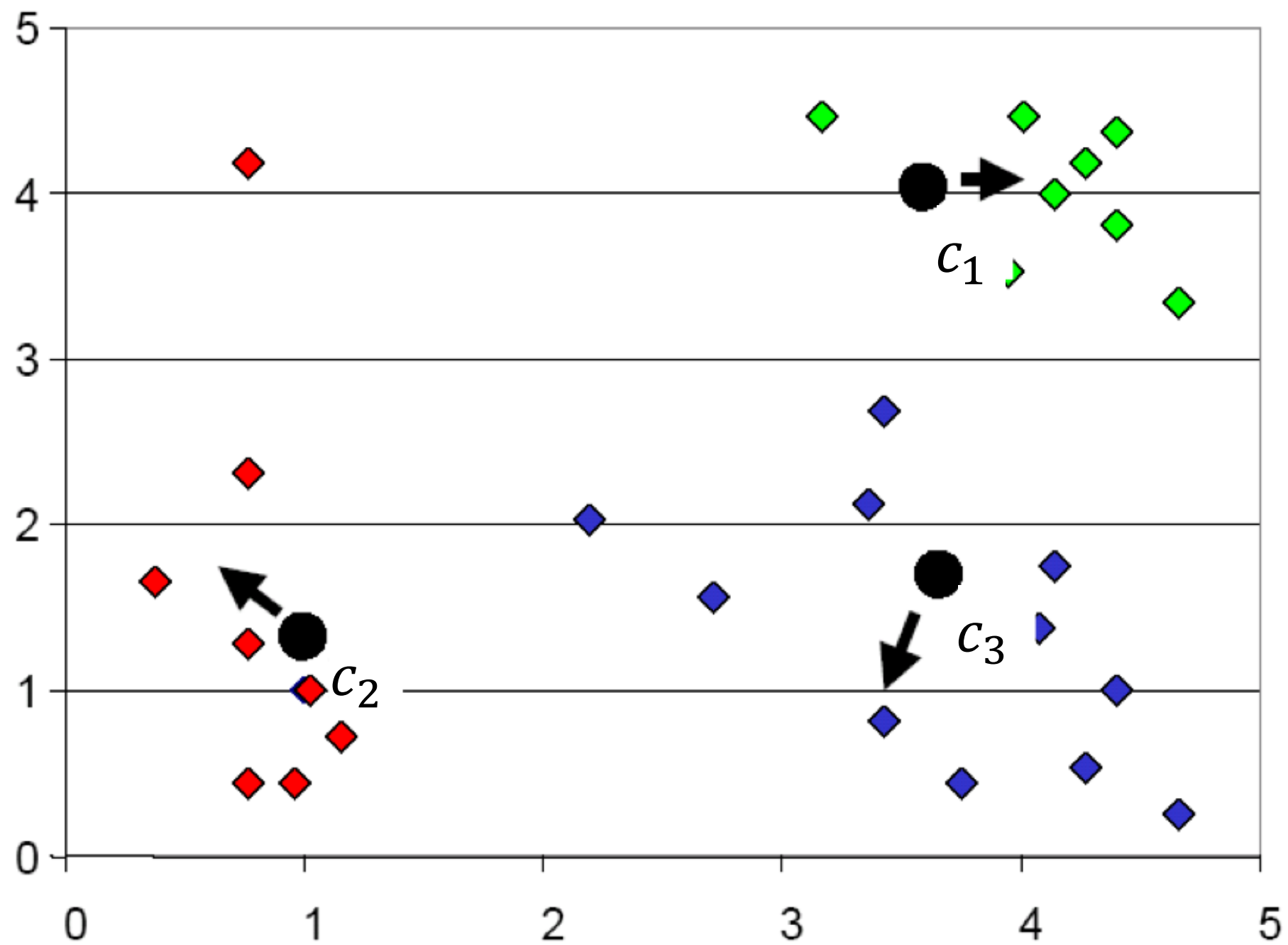
# K-Means: Step 2



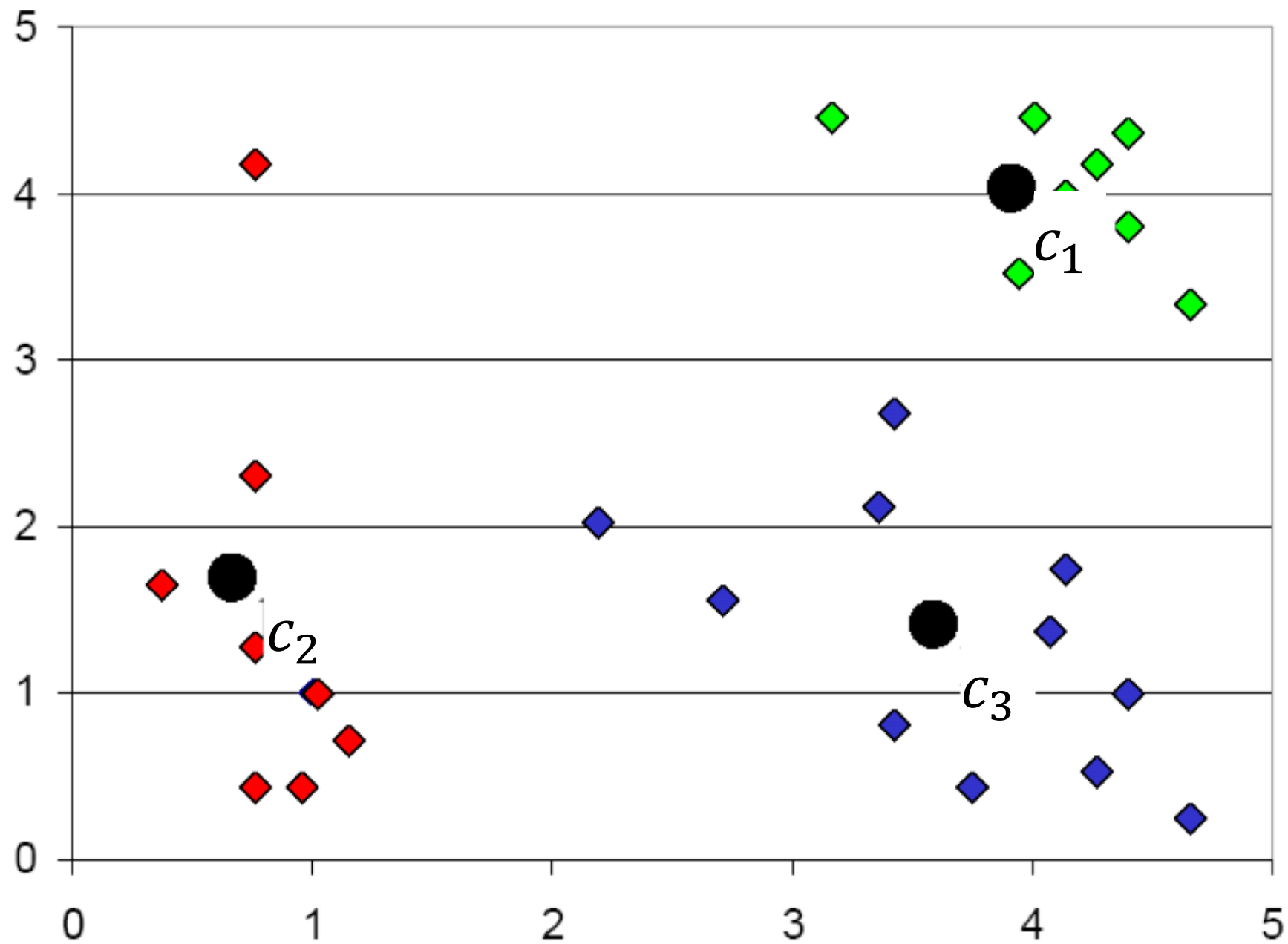
# K-Means: Step 3



# K-Means: Step 4



# K-Means: Step 5



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# Questions

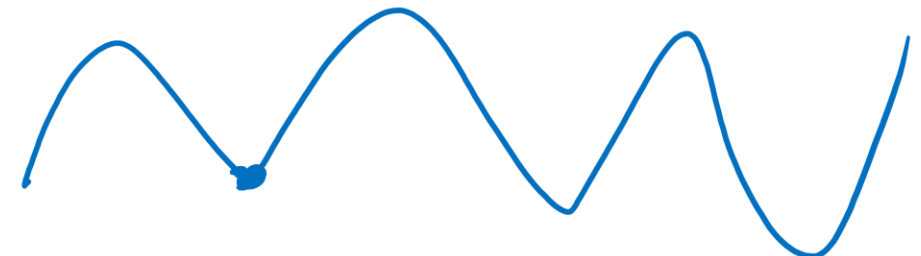
- Will different initialization lead to different results?

- Yes
- No
- Sometimes



- Will the algorithm always stop after some iteration?

- Yes
- No (we have to set a maximum number of iterations)
- Sometimes



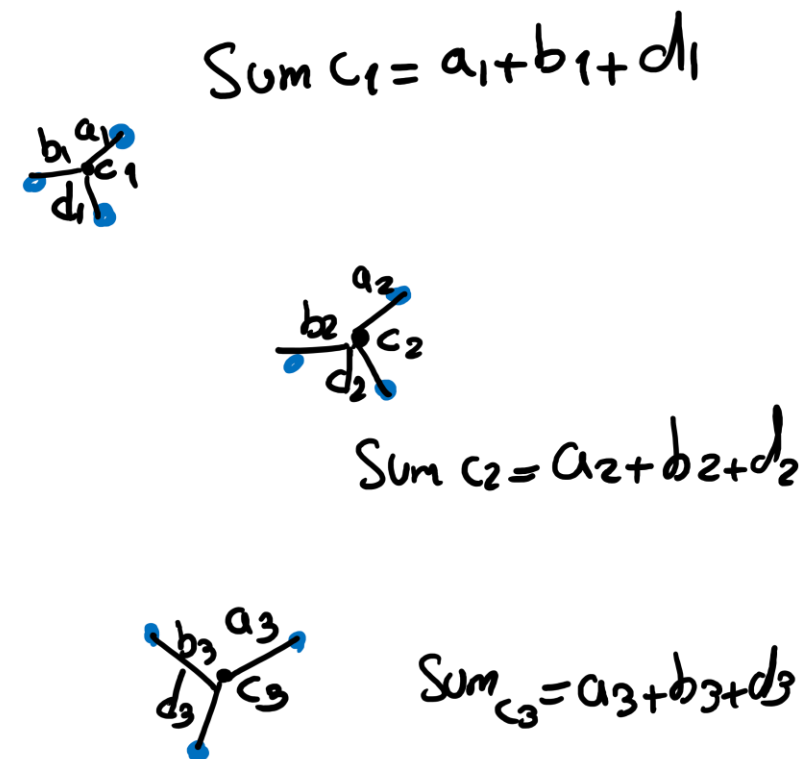
# Formal Statement of the Clustering Problem

- Given  $n$  data points,  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\} \ x \in R^d$
- Find  $k$  cluster centers,  $\{c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k\} \ c \in R^d$
- And assign each datapoint  $i$  to one cluster,  $\pi(i) \in \{1, \dots, k\}$
- Such that the averaged square distances from each datapoint to its respective cluster center is small

distortion

$$= \min_{C, \pi} \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i - c_{\pi(i)}\|^2$$

$$= \text{SUM}_{C_1} + \text{SUM}_{C_2} + \text{SUM}_{C_3}$$



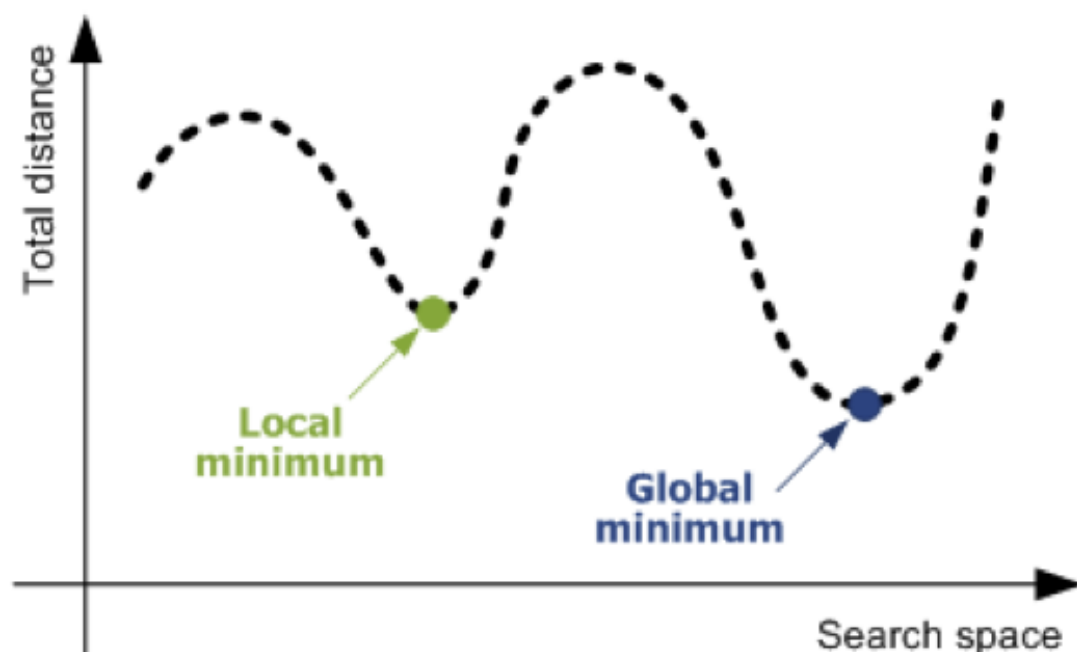
# Clustering is NP-Hard

- Find  $k$  cluster centers,  $\{c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k\} c \in R^d$ , and assign each data point  $i$  to one cluster,  $\pi(i) \in \{1, \dots, k\}$ , to minimize

$$\min_{c, \pi} \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i - c_{\pi(i)}\|^2$$

NP-hard!

- A search problem over the space of discrete assignments
  - For all  $n$  data point together, there are  $k^n$  possibility
  - The cluster assignment determines cluster centers, and vice versa



- For all  $n$  data point together, there are  $k^n$  possibility

$$k^n = 2^3 = 8$$

$X = \{A, B, C\}$

$n=3$  (data points)

$k=2$  clusters of two members

Cluster 1

$\{\}$

$A, B, C$

$A$

$B$

$C$

$A, B$

$A, C$

$B, C$

Cluster 2

$A, B, C$

$\{\}$

$B, C$

$A, C$

$A, B$

$C$

$B$

$A$

# Convergence of K-Means

- Will kmeans objective oscillate?

$$\min_{c, \pi} \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i - c_{\pi(i)}\|^2$$

- The minimum value of the objective is finite
- Each iteration of kmeans algorithm decrease the objective
  - Cluster assignment step decreases objective
    - $\pi(i) = \operatorname{argmin}_{j=1, \dots, k} \|x_i - c_{\pi(j)}\|^2$  for each data point  $i$
  - Center adjustment step decreases objective
    - $c_i = \frac{1}{|\{i: \pi(i)=j\}|} \sum_{i: \pi(i)=j} x_i = \operatorname{argmin}_c \sum_{i: \pi(i)=j} \|x_i - c_{\pi(j)}\|^2$

# Time Complexity

$$X = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d\}$$

$$Y = \{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_d\}$$

- Assume computing distance between two instances is  $O(d)$  where  $d$  is the dimensionality of the vectors.

$$\|X - Y\|^2 = (x_1 - y_1)^2 + \dots + (x_d - y_d)^2$$

$$O(d)$$



$$O(nd)$$



$$O(knd)$$

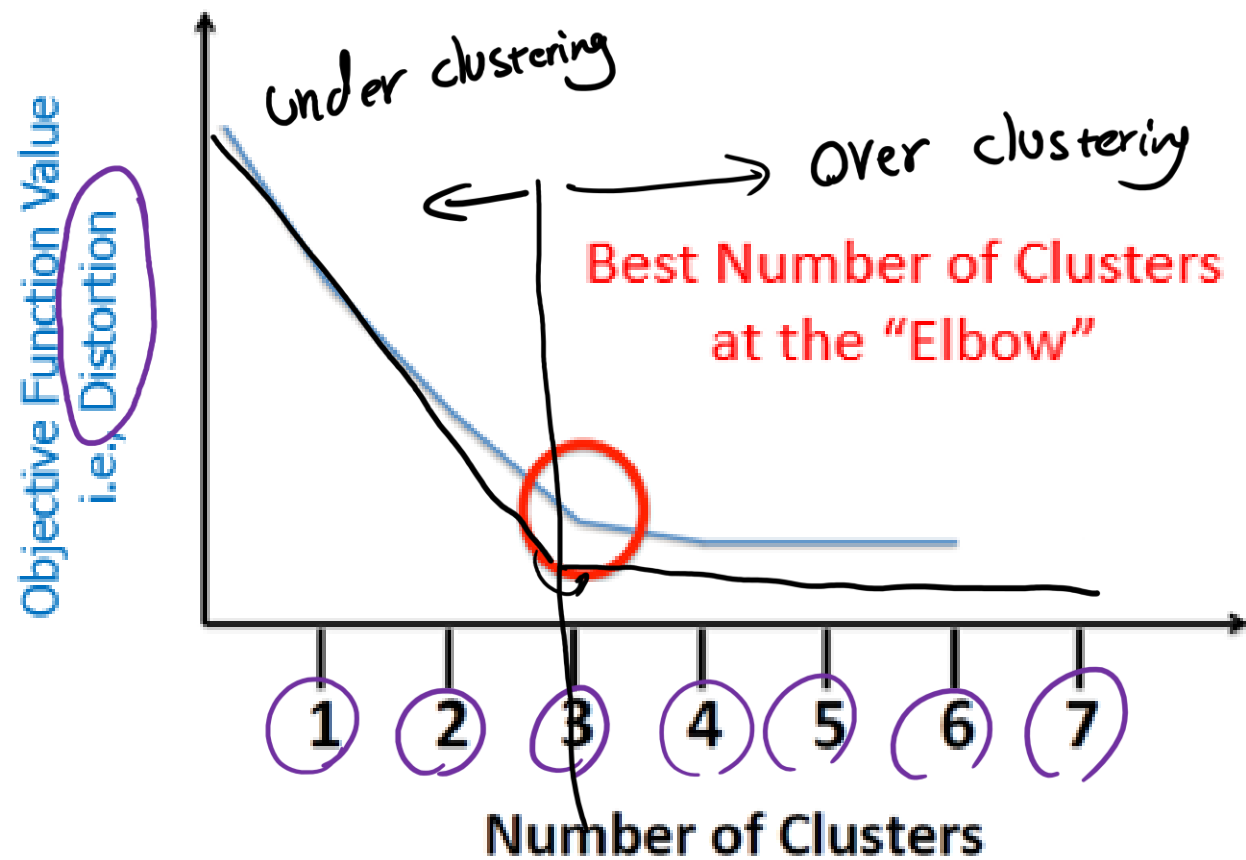


$$O(Iknd)$$

- Reassigning clusters for all datapoints:
  - $O(kn)$  distance computations (when there is one feature)
  - $O(knd)$  (when there is  $d$  features)
- Computing centroids: Each instance vector gets added once to some centroid (Finding centroid for each feature):  $O(nd)$ .
- Assume these two steps are each done once for  $I$  iterations:  $O(Iknd)$ .

# How to Choose K?

Elbow method



$$a_1 + b_1 + c_1 + a_2 + b_2 + c_2$$



**Distortion score:** computing the sum of squared distances from each point to its assigned center