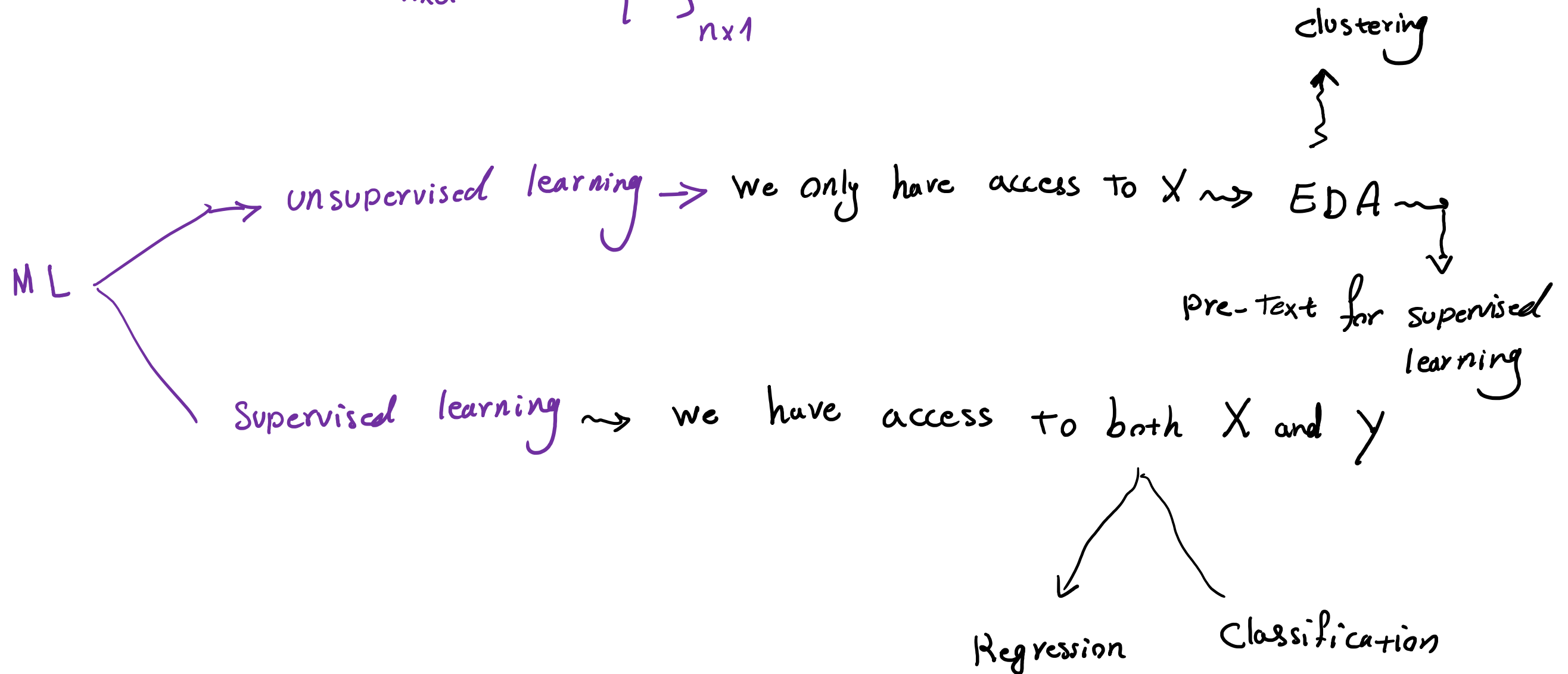
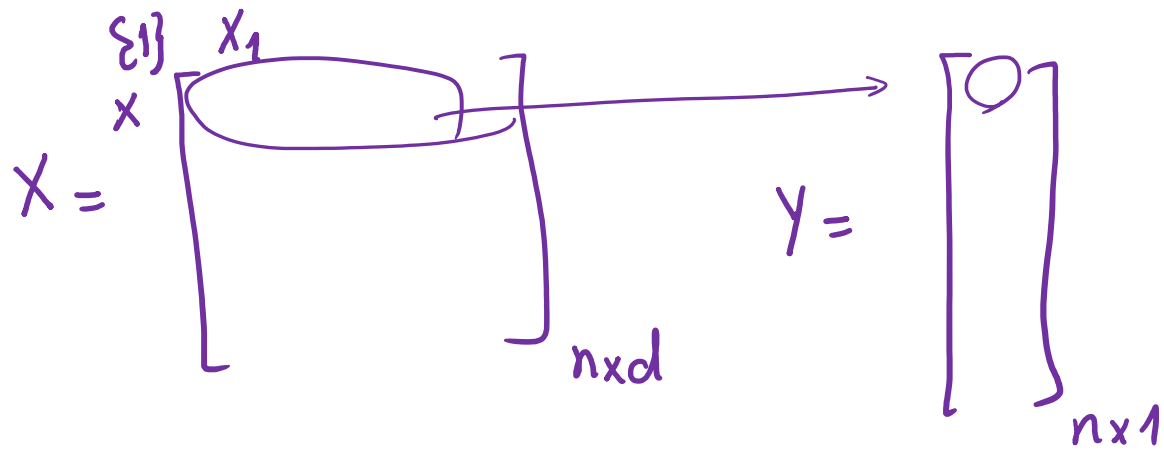
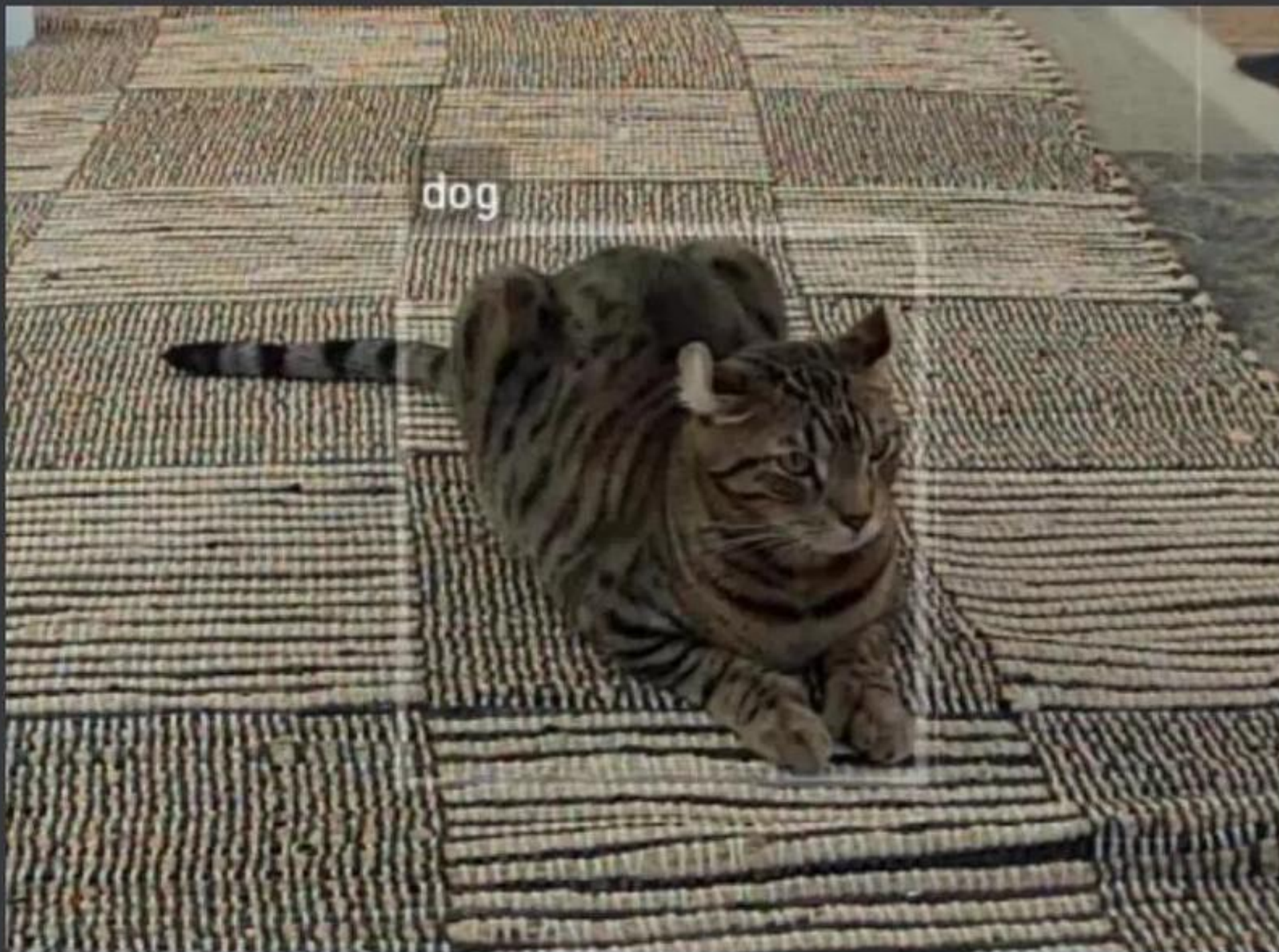




Clustering Analysis and K-Means

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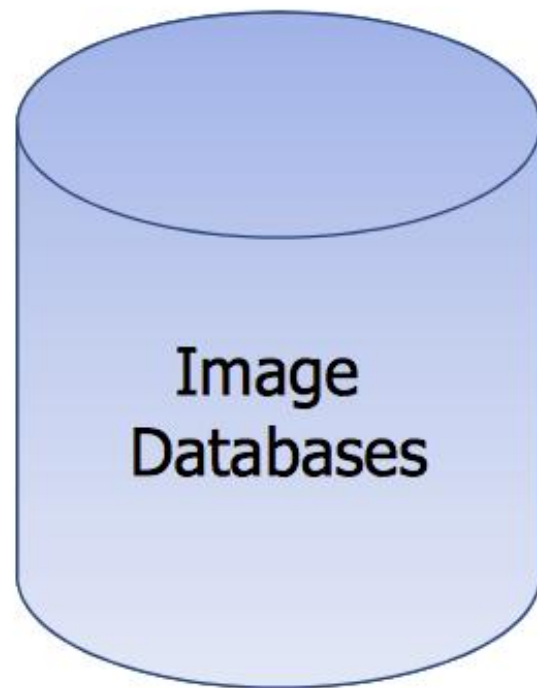
60+ hours on 16 GPU nvidia CUDA cluster.



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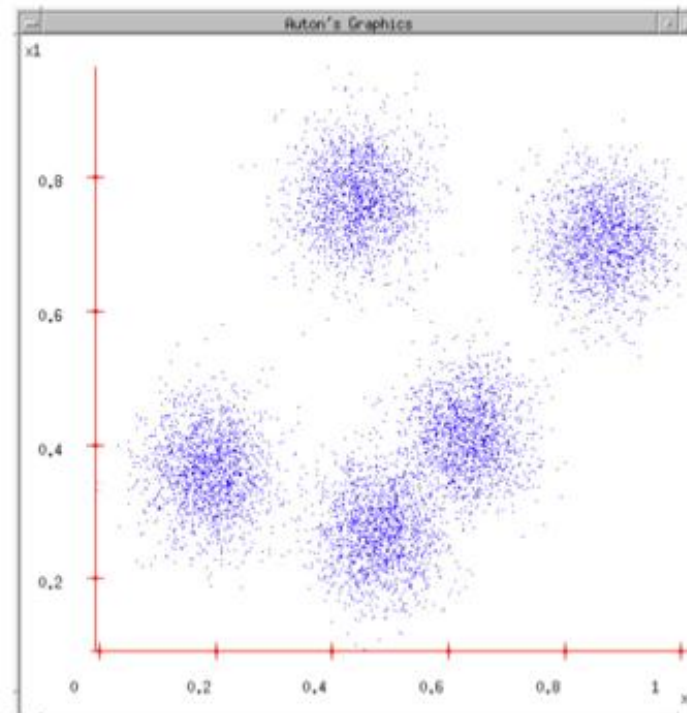
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Clustering Images



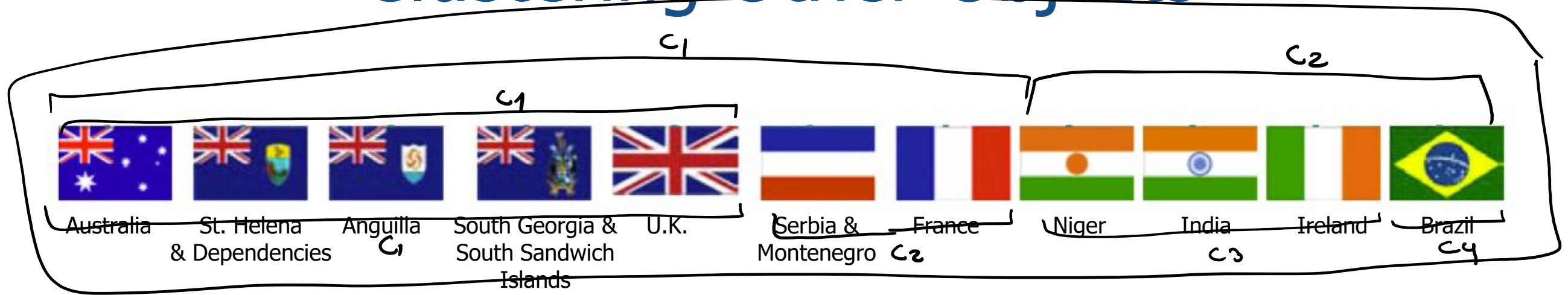
Goal of clustering:

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



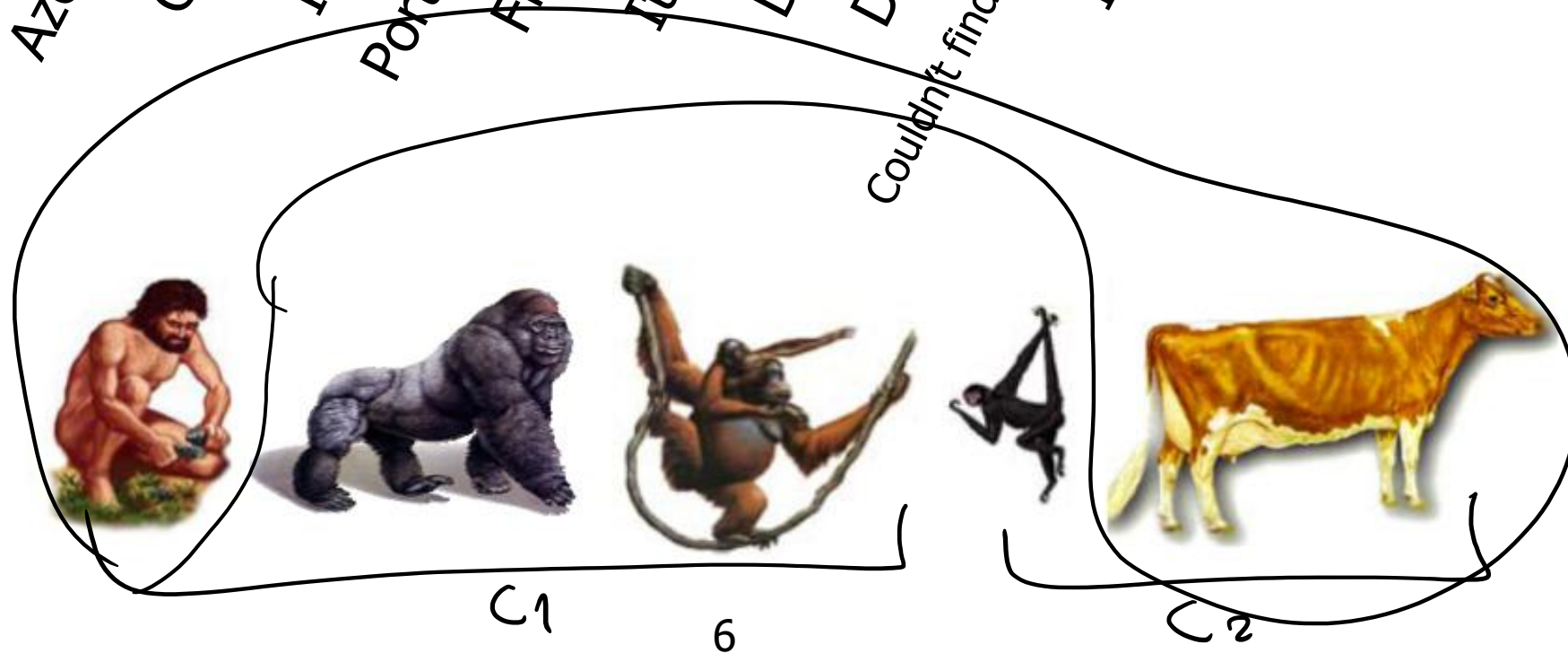
Clustering Other Objects

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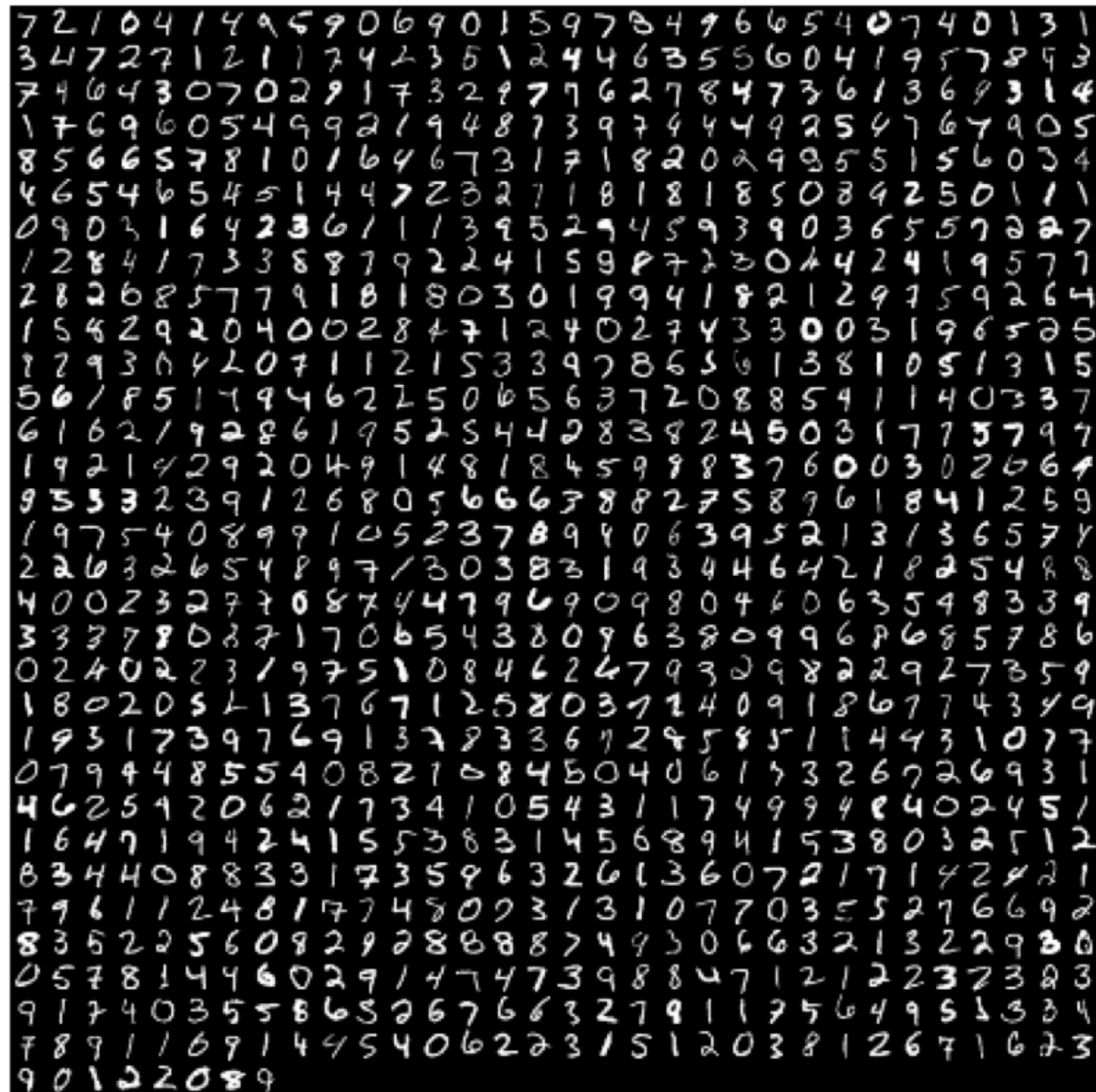
Belarusian **Piotr**
 Azerbaijani **Pyotr**
 Greek **Petros**
 Italian **Pietro**
 Portuguese **Pedro**
 French **Pierre**
 Italian **Piero**
 Dutch **Peter**
 Danish **Peder**
 Couldn't find it – Finish?
 Irish Peka
 Peadar

Linguistic Similarity



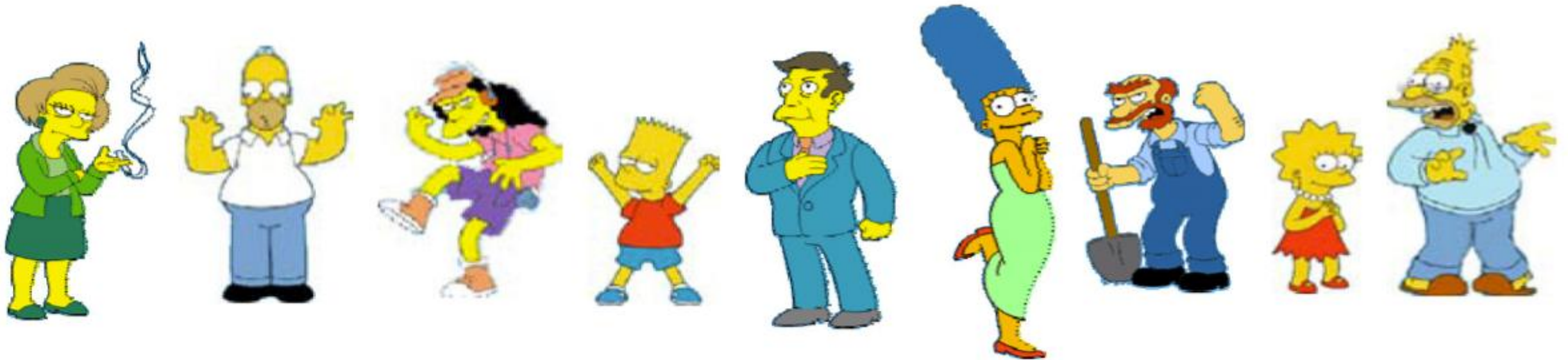
Clustering Hand Digits

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9



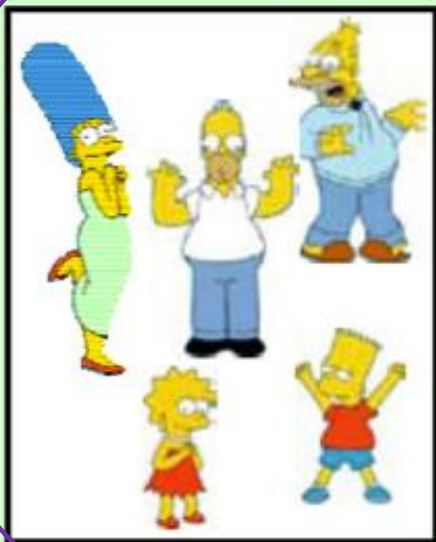
A 20x20 grid of handwritten digits from the MNIST dataset. The digits are arranged in a grid, with each row and column containing a mix of digits from 0 to 9. The digits are written in a cursive, handwritten style, typical of the MNIST dataset. The grid is used to visualize the distribution of digits and to perform clustering analysis.

Clustering is Subjective



What is consider similar/dissimilar?

Clustering is subjective



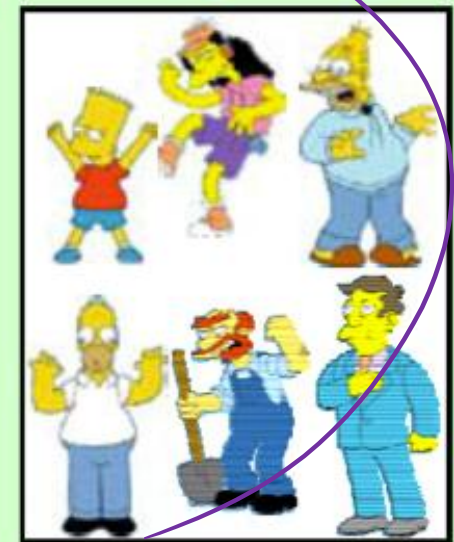
Simpson's Family



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

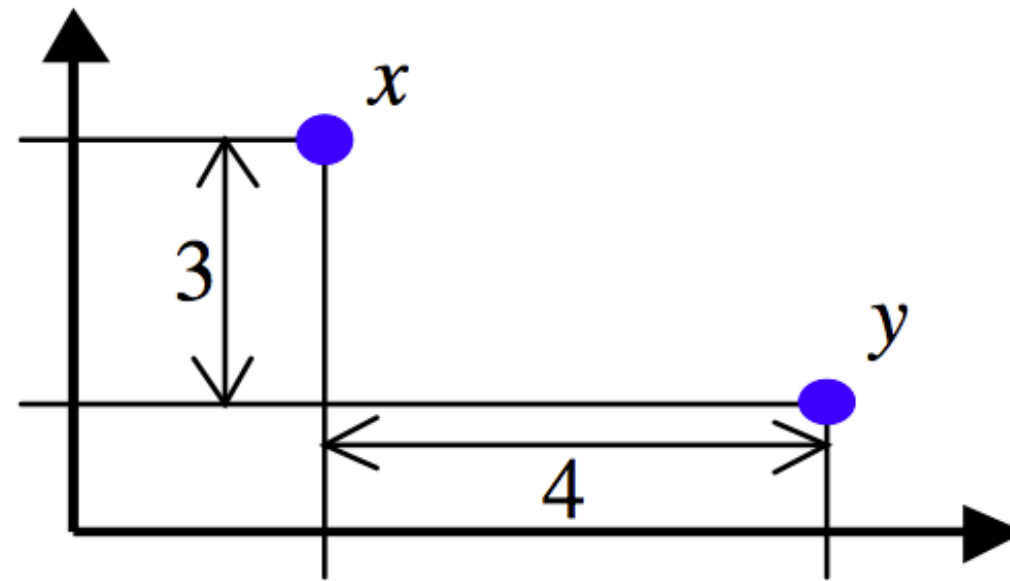
$p=2$

- 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: $\max\{4, 3\} = 4$

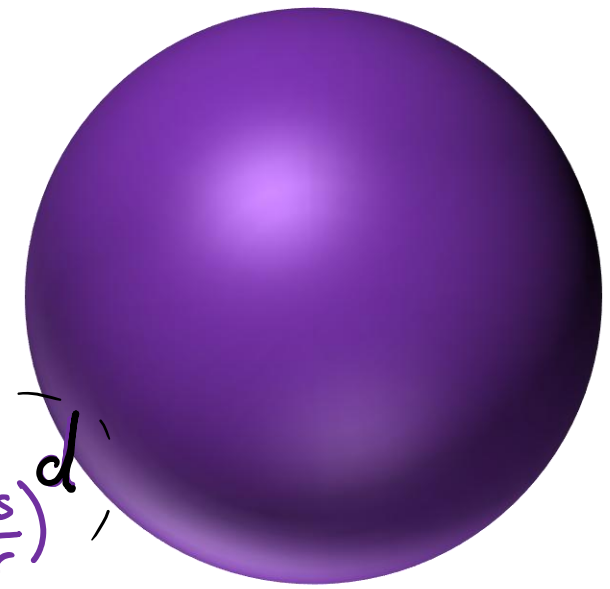
Some problems with Euclidean distance



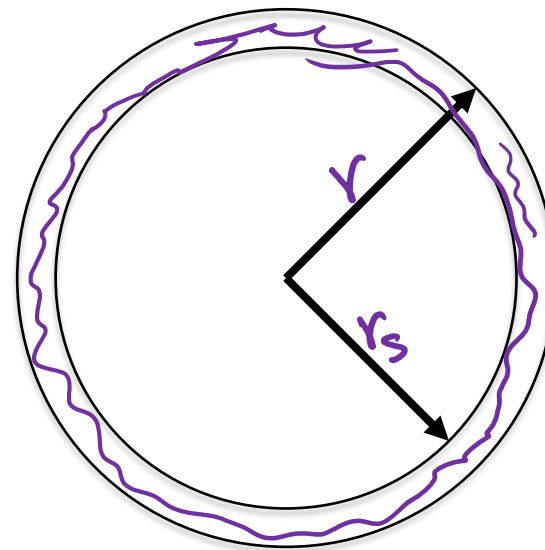
$$V = \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3 = c r^d$$

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

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

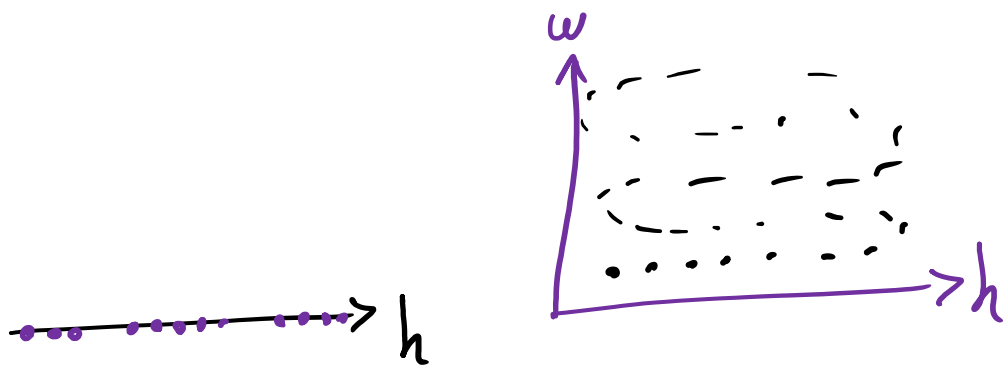


$$r_s \leq r \Rightarrow 0 < \frac{r_s}{r} \leq 1$$



$$d \rightarrow \infty$$

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



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)

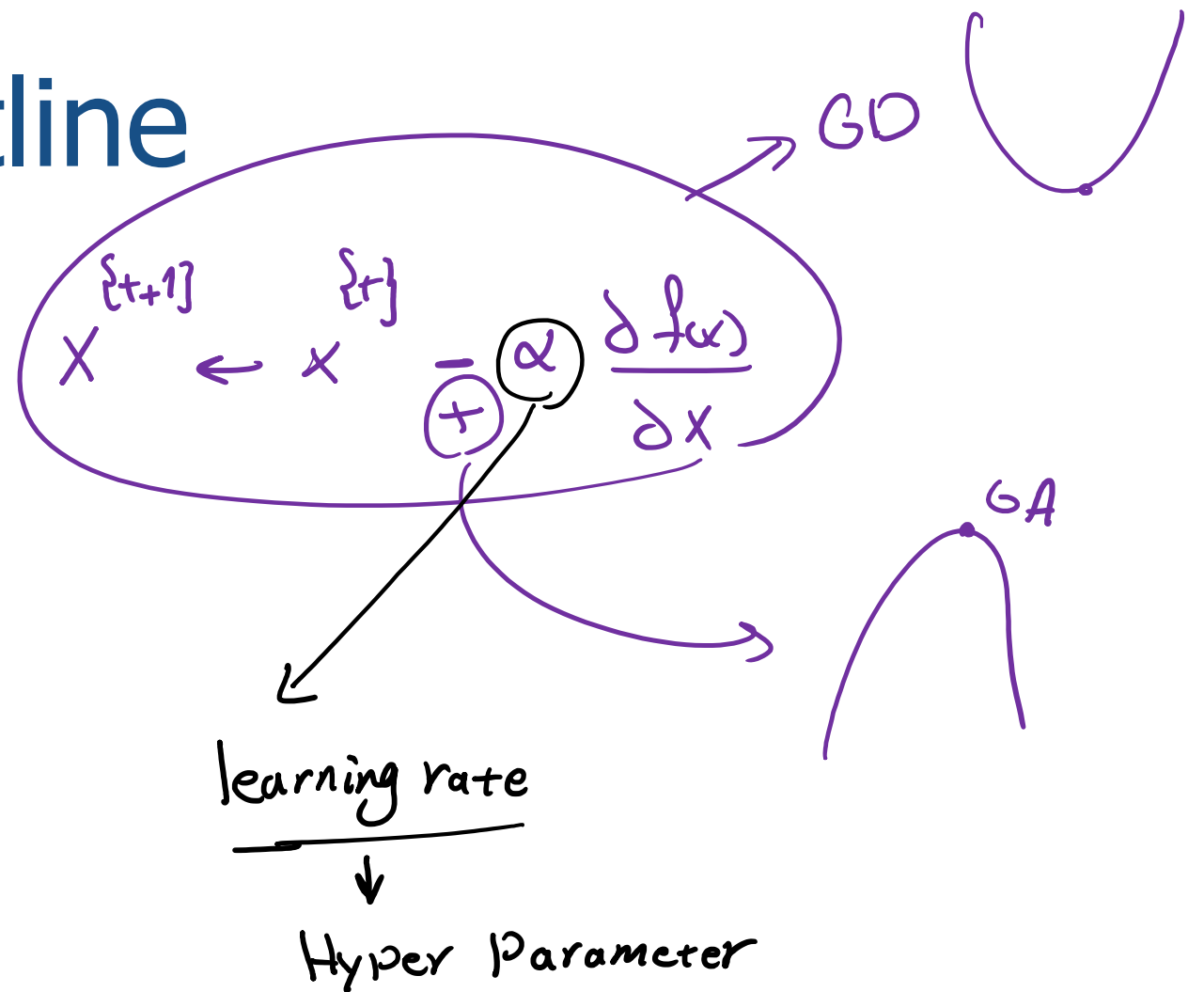
i: insertion (cost 2)

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

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the # clusters is a hyper parameter



Results of K-Means Clustering:

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Image



Clusters on intensity



Clusters on color

K-means clustering using intensity alone and color alone



Image



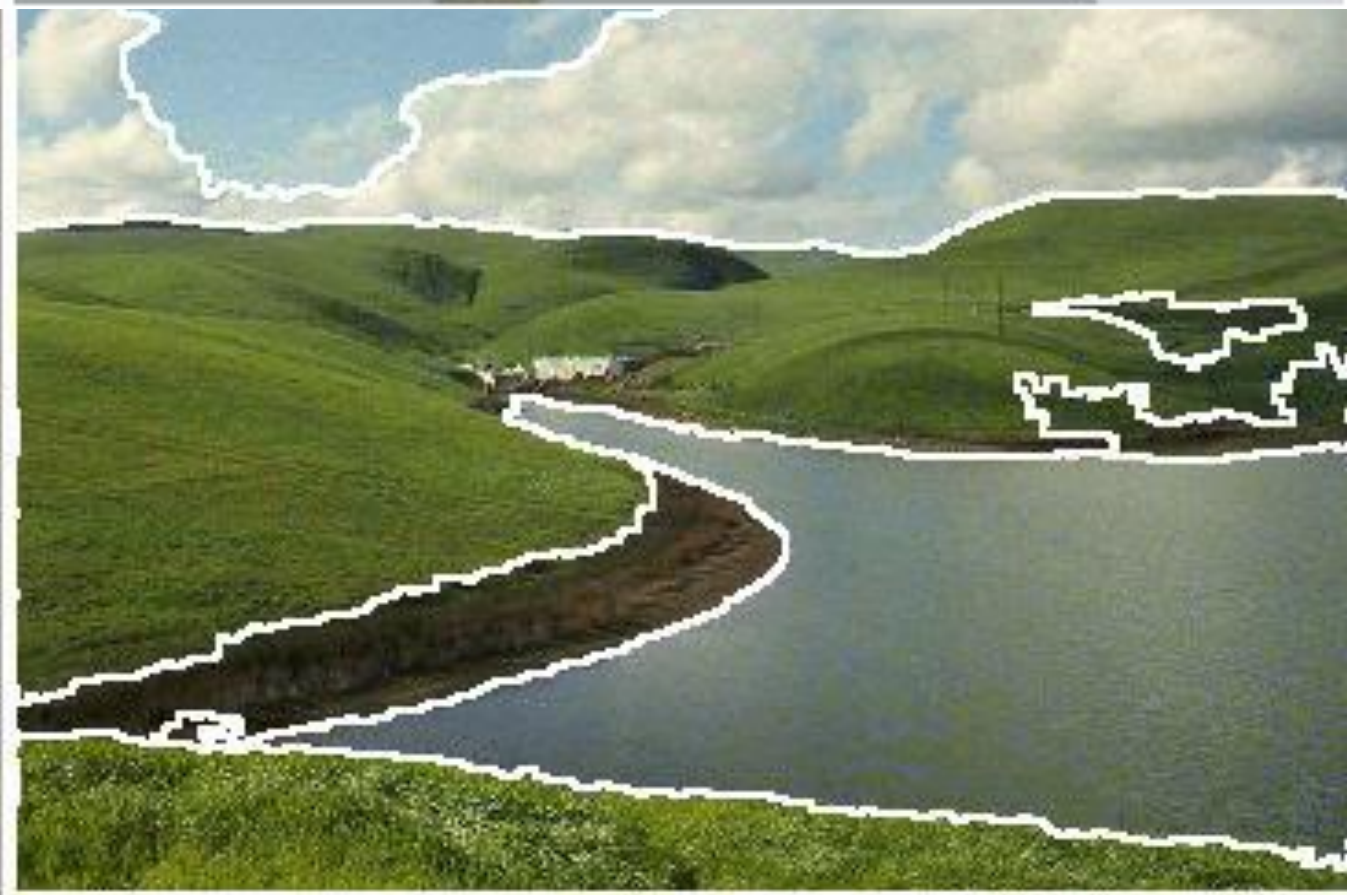
Clusters on color

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

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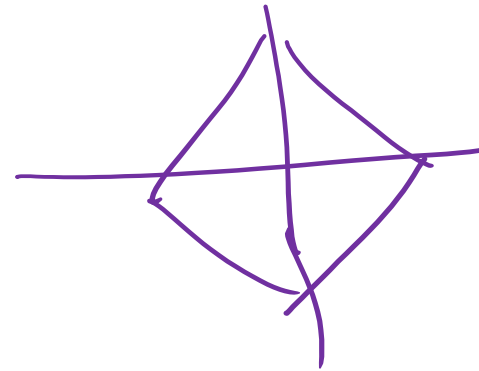


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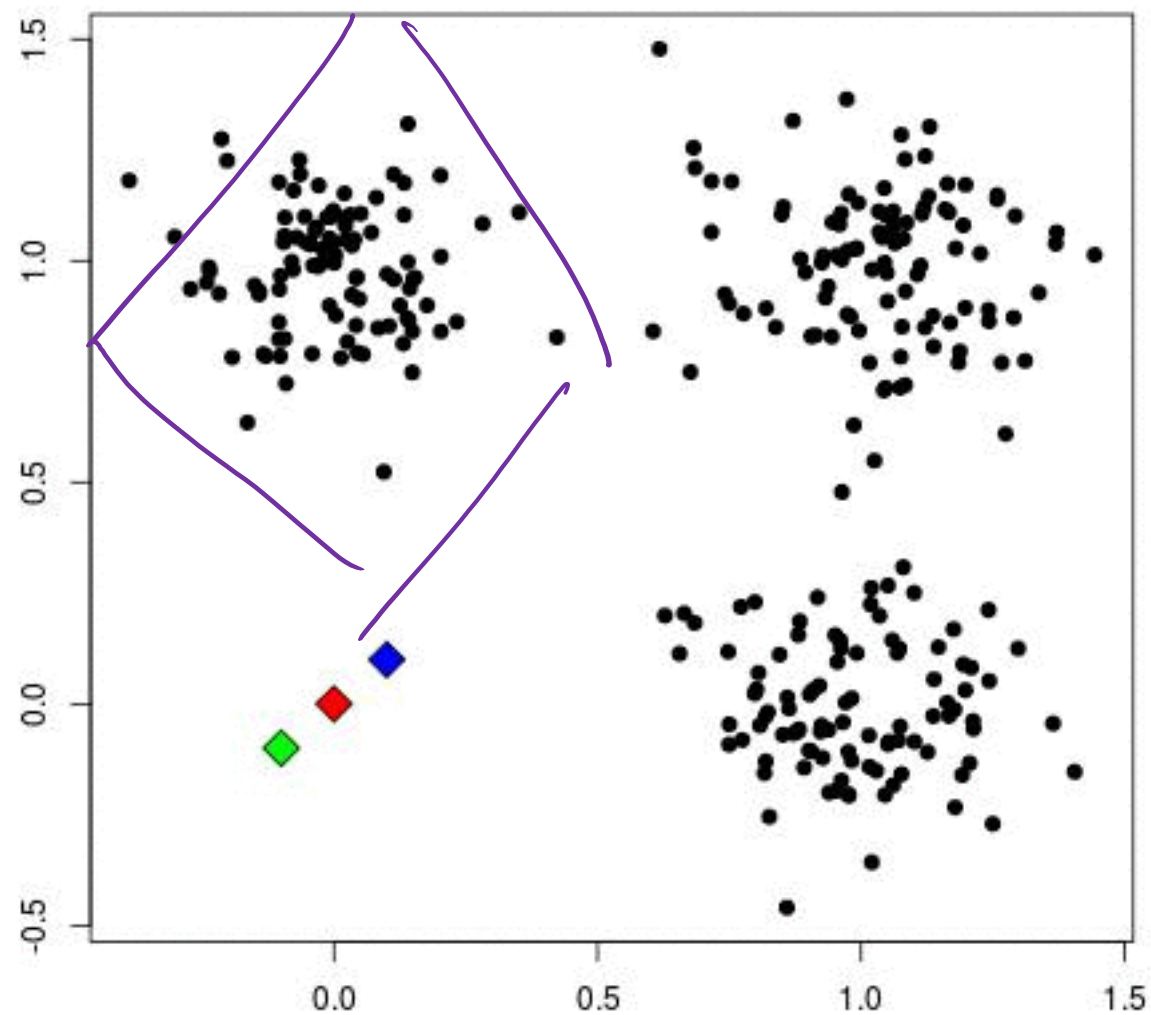


K-Means Algorithm

$$f(x) = |x|$$



Start!

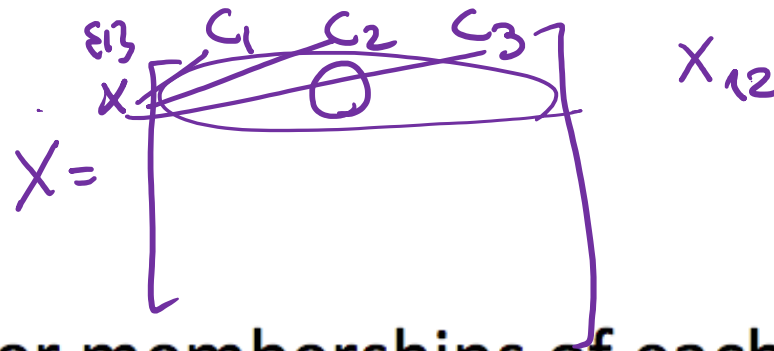


Visualizing K-Means Clustering

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**)

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

Hard clustering

Expectation

EM

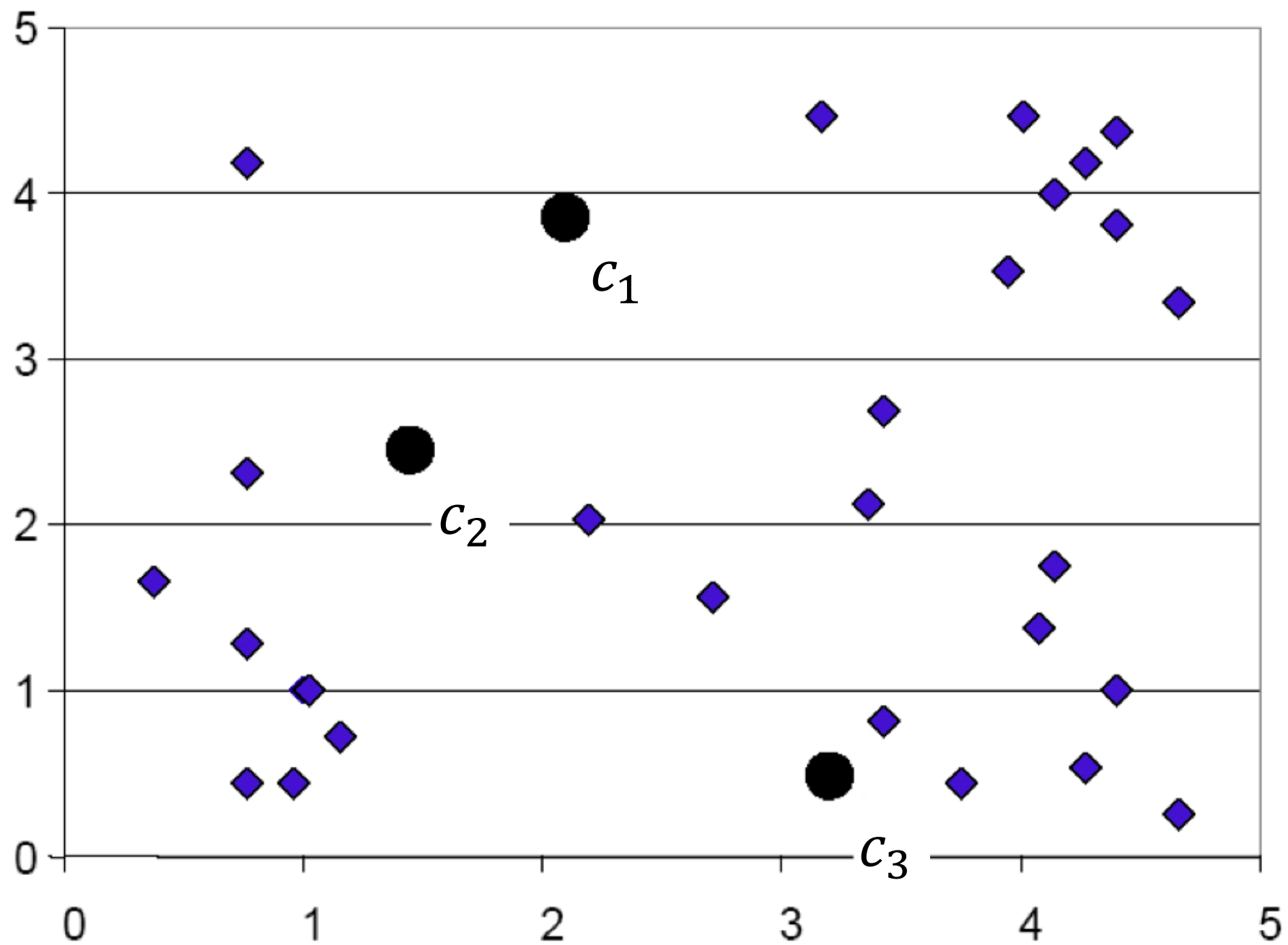
- Adjust the cluster centers (**center adjustment**)

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

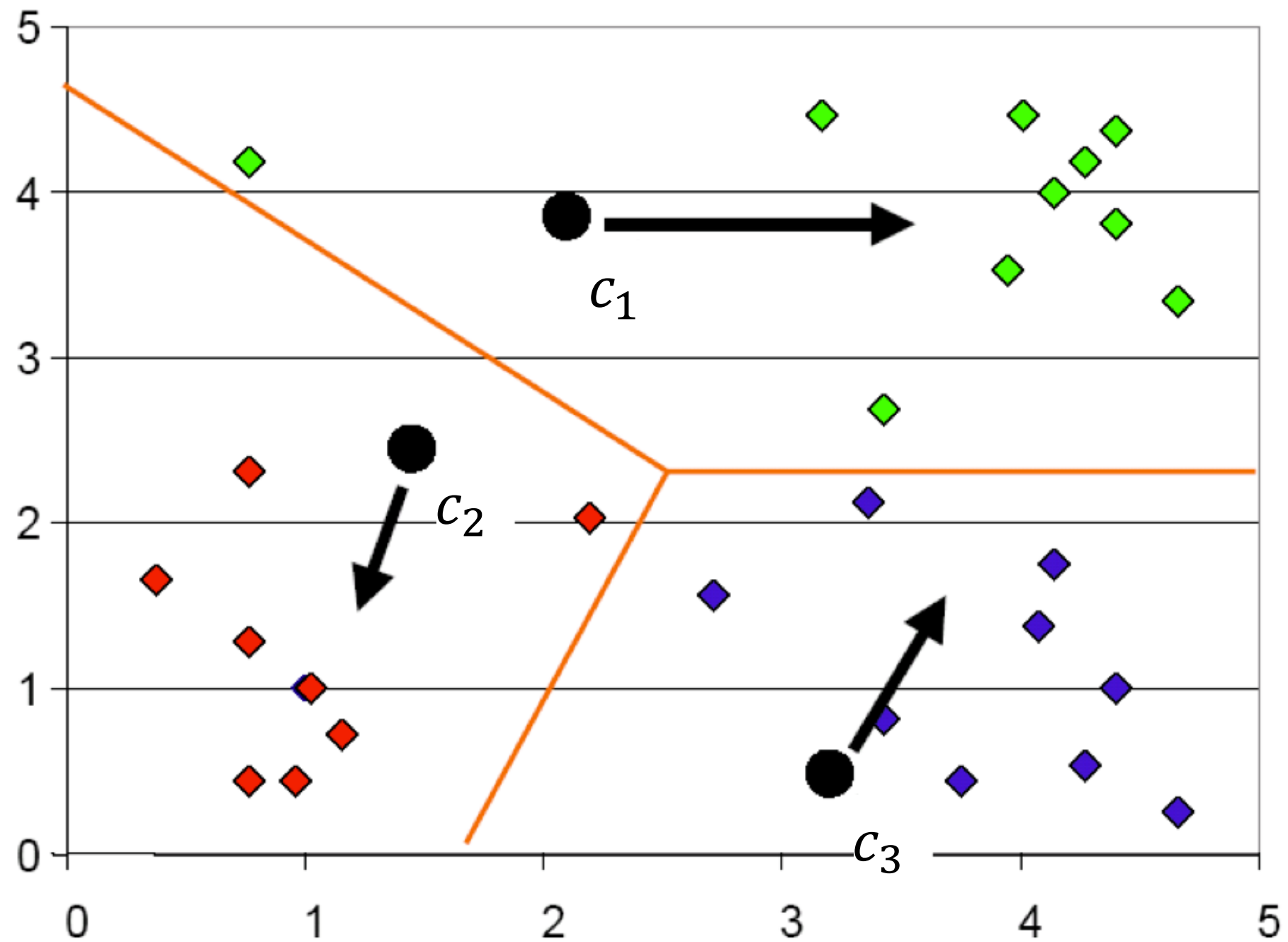
Maximization

- While any cluster center has been changed

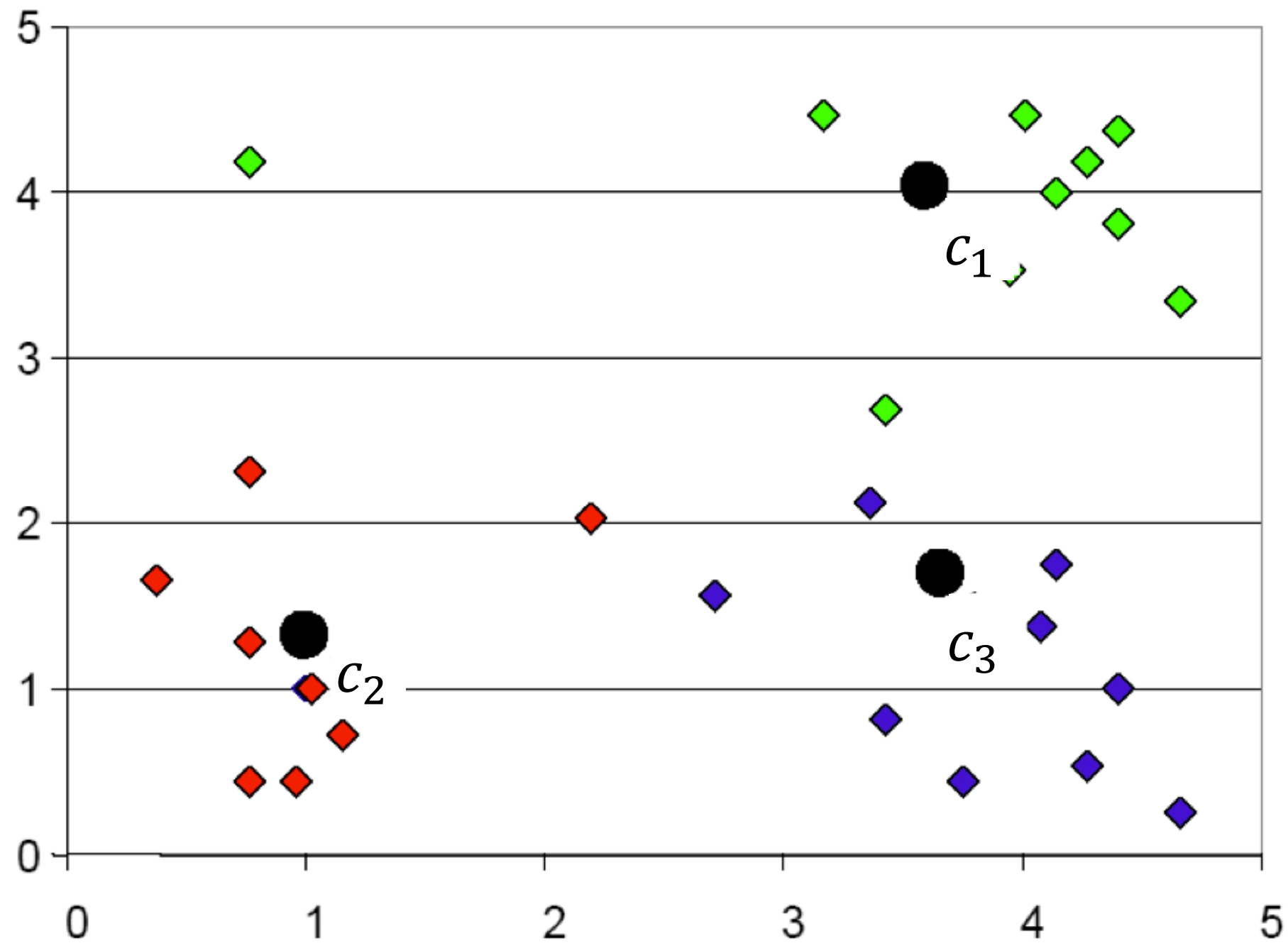
K-Means: Step 1



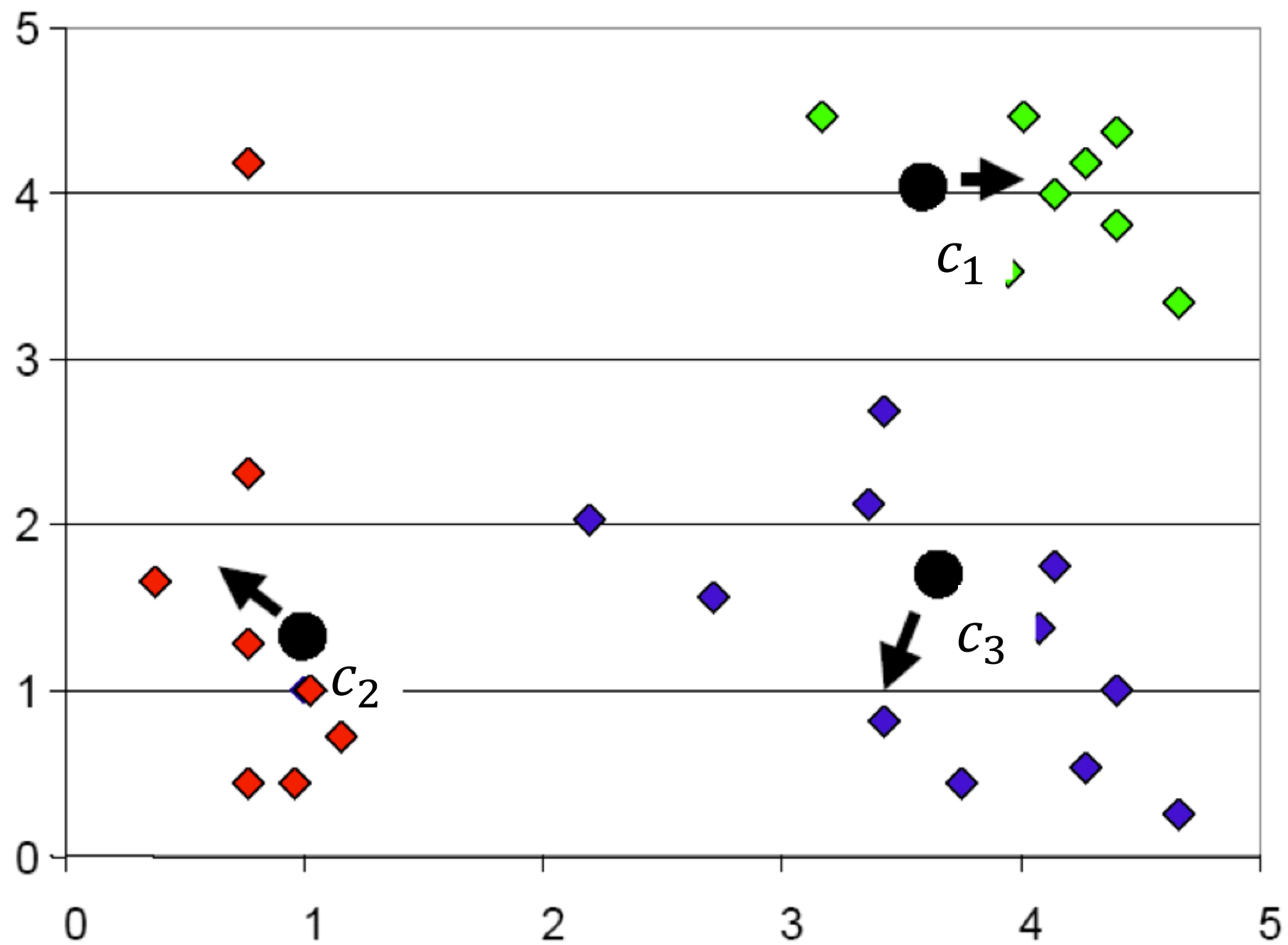
K-Means: Step 2



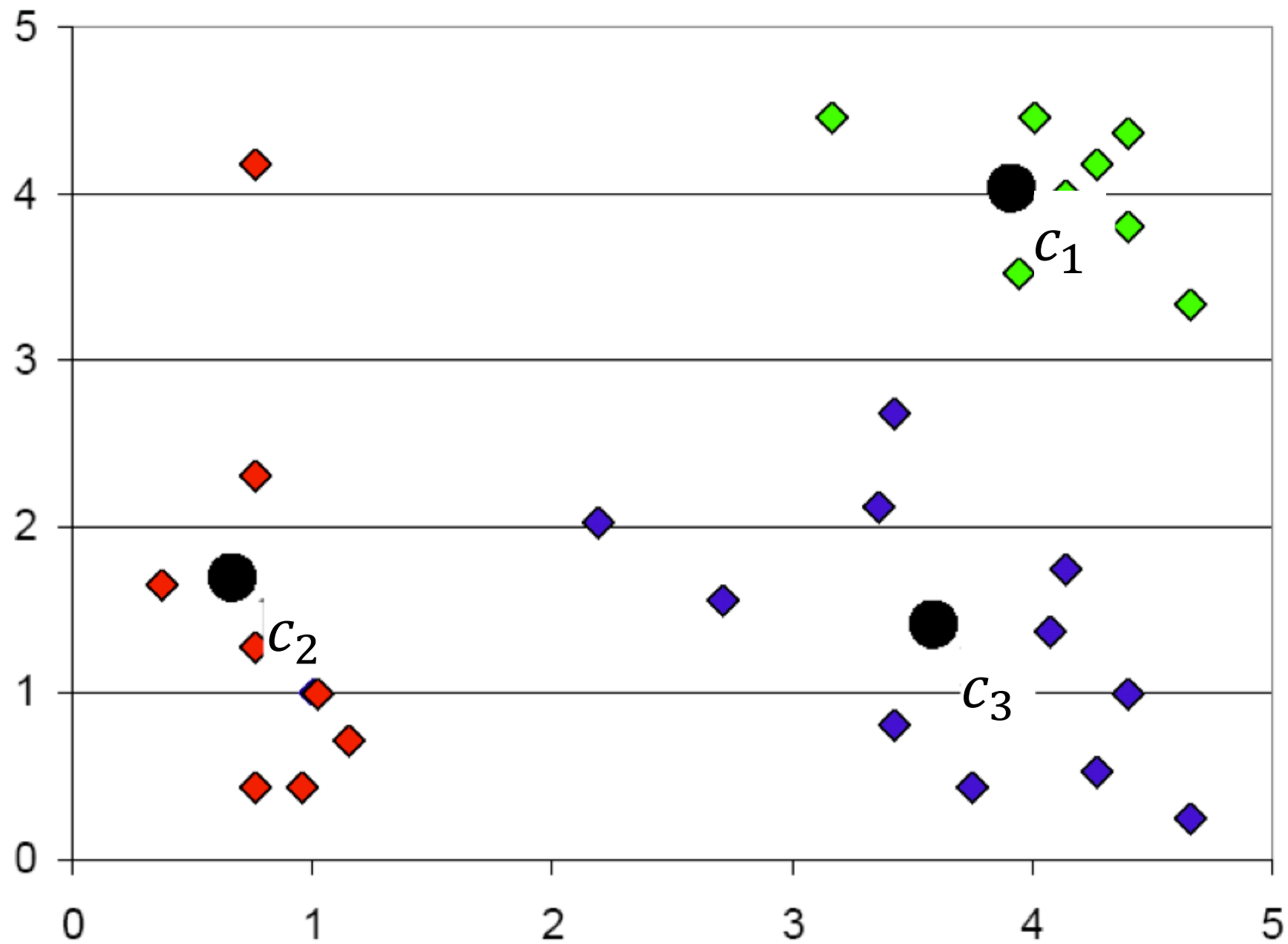
K-Means: Step 3



K-Means: Step 4



K-Means: Step 5



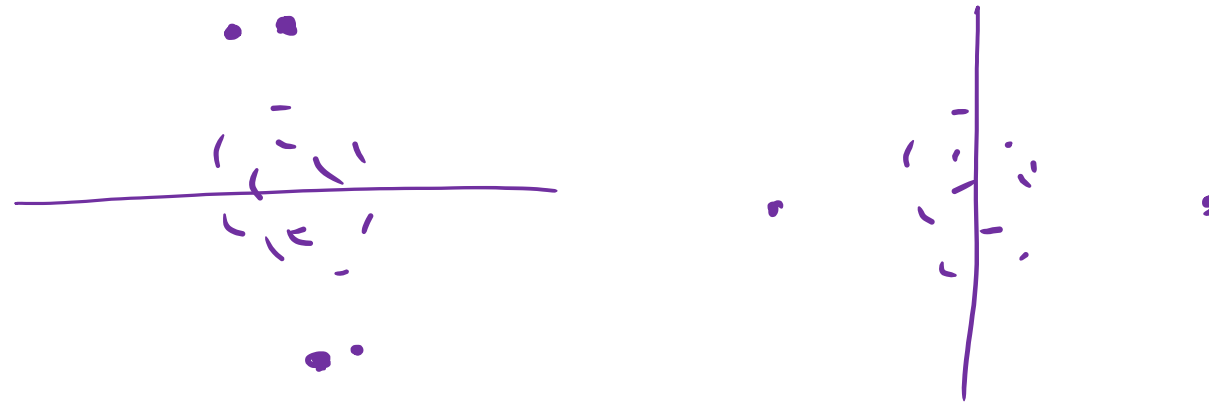
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Questions

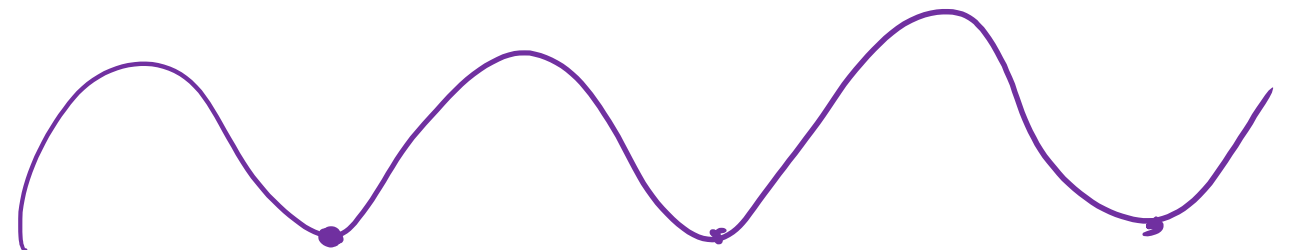
- Will different initialization lead to different results?

- Yes
- No
- Sometimes



- Will the algorithm always stop after some iteration?

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



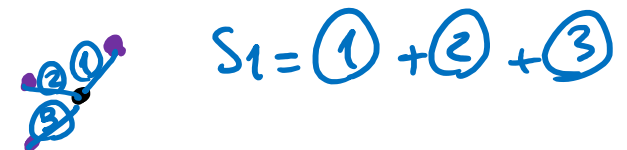
Formal Statement of the Clustering Problem

- 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

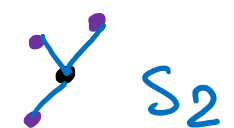
$$\min S = S_1 + S_2 + S_3$$

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

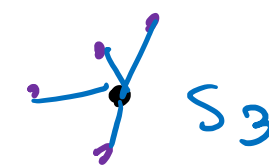
distortion



$$S_1 = ① + ② + ③$$



S_2



S_3

$$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^N \|x^{\{i\}} - \textcircled{C}\|^2$$

$C = \text{avg} \leadsto$ will minimize

$$\textcircled{f(c)} = \sum_{i=1}^N (x^{\{i\}})^2 - 2c \sum_{i=1}^N x^{\{i\}} + nc^2$$

$$\frac{\partial f(c)}{\partial c} = 0 \quad 0 - 2 \sum_{i=1}^N x^{\{i\}} + 2nc = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow nc = \sum_{i=1}^N x^{\{i\}} \Rightarrow \textcircled{C} = \frac{1}{\underbrace{N}_{\text{number of datapoints in that cluster}}} \sum x^{\{i\}}$$

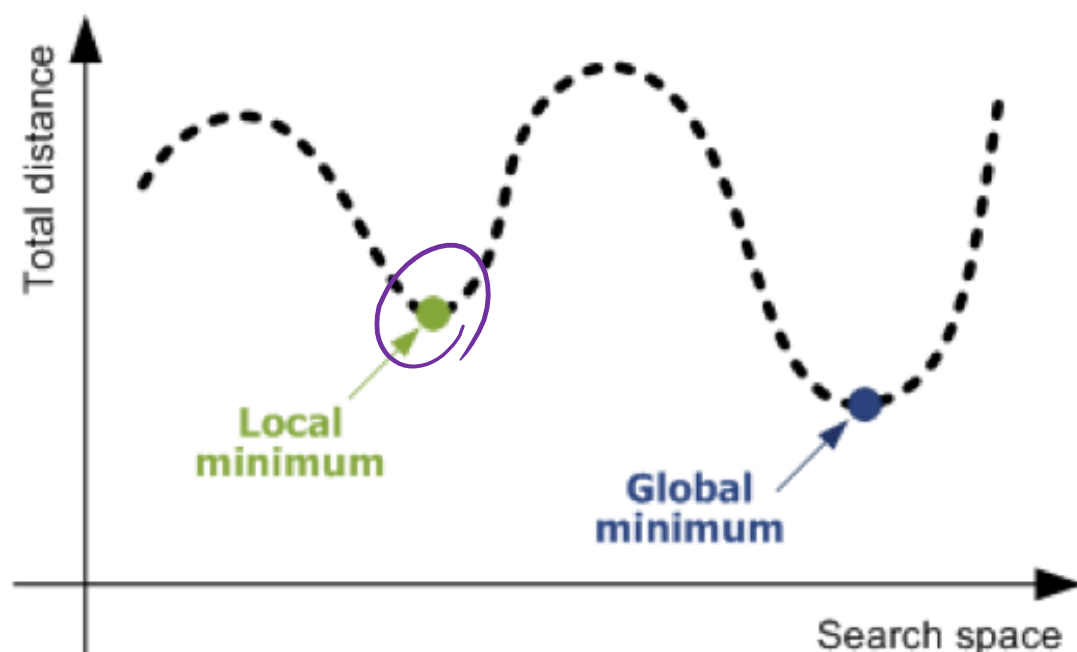
Clustering is NP-Hard

- 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

$X = \{A, B, C\}$
 $n=3$ (data points)

$k=2$ clusters of two members
 $k^n = 2^3 = 8$

Cluster 1

$\{\}$

A, B, C

A

B

C

B, C

A, C

A, B

Cluster 2

A, B, C

$\{\}$

B, C

A, C

A, B

A

B

C

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

$O(\cdot)$ $\begin{cases} \text{Time} \\ \text{Space} \end{cases}$

$$x^{\{1\}} = \begin{bmatrix} \vdots \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x^{\{2\}} = \begin{bmatrix} \vdots \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vdots \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}_{1 \times d}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vdots \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}_{1 \times d}$$

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

$$\|x^{\{1\}} - x^{\{2\}}\|^2 = (x_1^{\{1\}} - x_1^{\{2\}})^2 + \dots + (x_d^{\{1\}} - x_d^{\{2\}})^2$$

- Reassigning clusters for all datapoints:
 - $O(kn)$ distance computations (when there is one feature)
 - $O(knd)$ (when there is d features)

$$O(d)$$



$$O(nd)$$



$$O(knd)$$

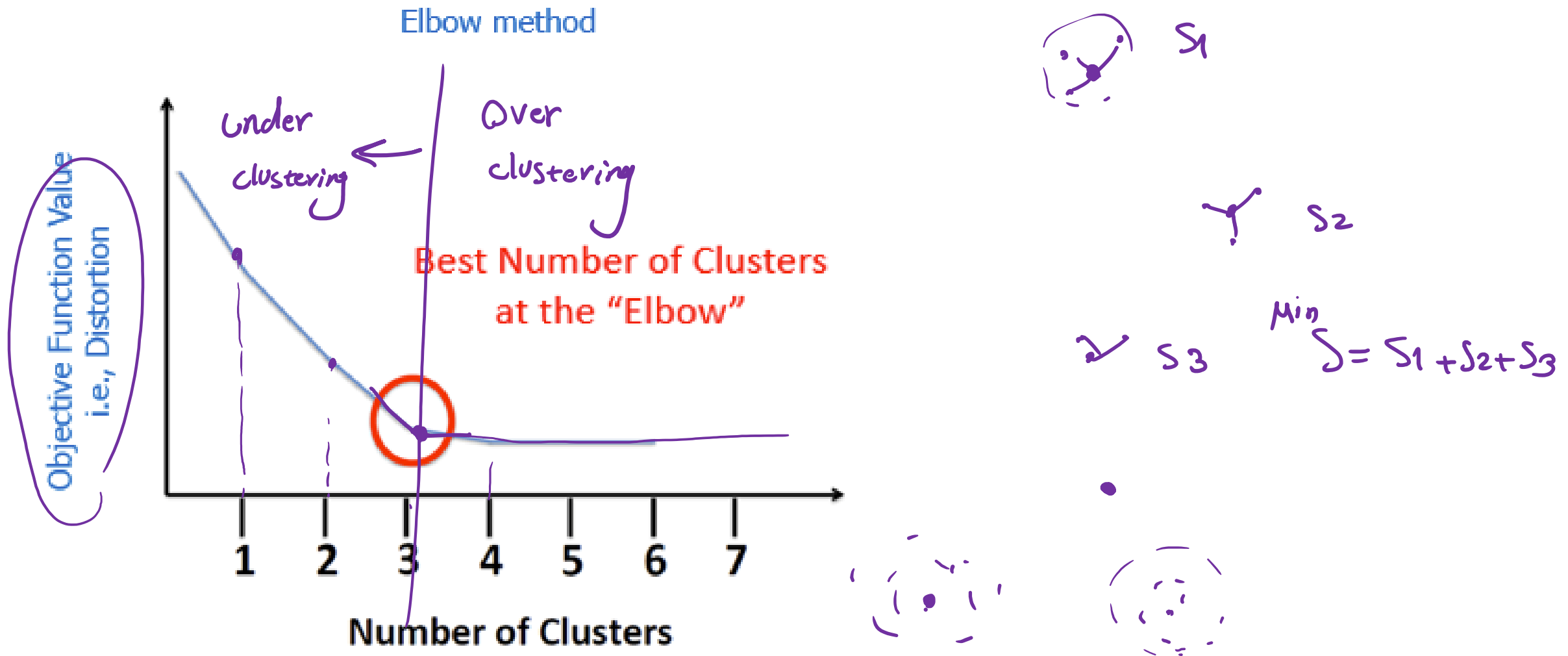


$$O(Iknd)$$

- 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?



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