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Data Mining: Metric Clustering

Finding Clusters in Profiles

Examples for profile elements that can be embedded in metric spaces:

- **Location & Velocity**: Metric space: $(\mathbb{R}^3, \|\cdot\|)$
- **Text describing Interests**: Metric space: $(\mathbb{R}^{|\text{Voc}|}, \|\cdot\|)$ where Voc denotes the Vocabulary of the text.

"I like to dance samba,
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like	2
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Often: Instead of term-frequency (tf) alone: use term-frequency * inverse document frequency (idf);
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- General idea (also valid in graph clustering): Optimize objective function that formalizes clustering paradigm.

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- Describe cluster \mathcal{C}_k by prototype μ_k ; prototype need not be an actual pattern (If so, algorithm works with slight modifications as well)

- Determine cluster for each pattern x_n by nearest neighbour rule:

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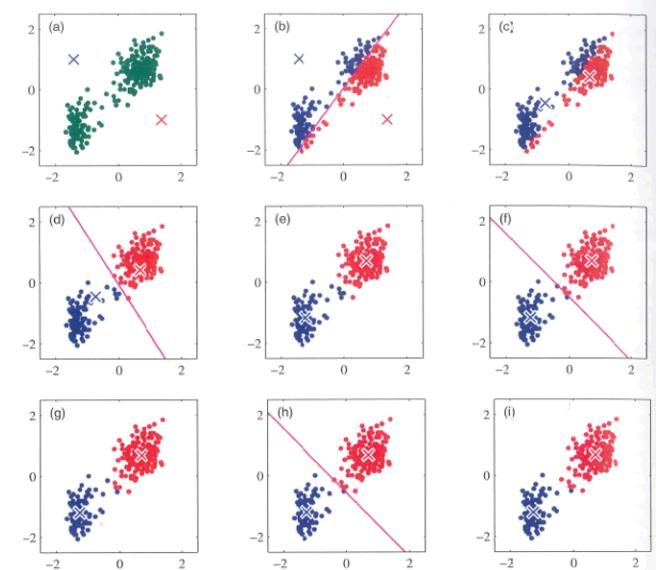
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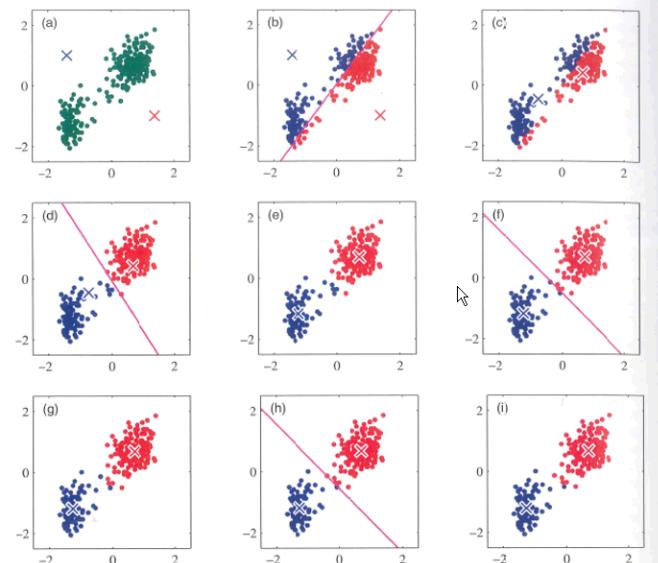
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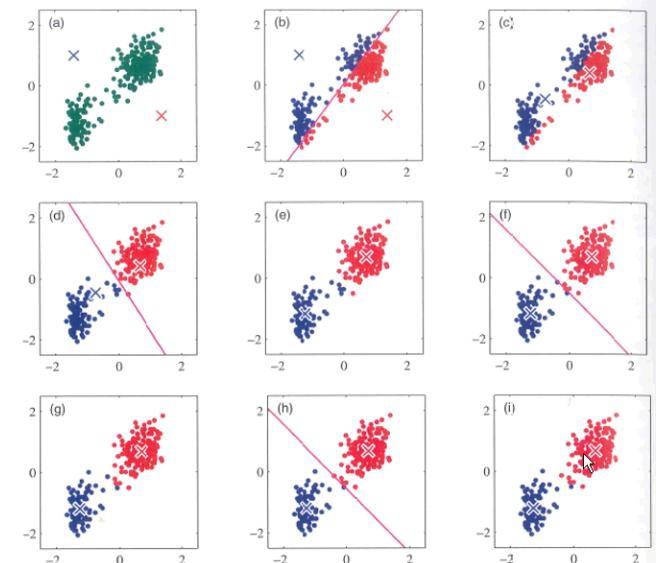


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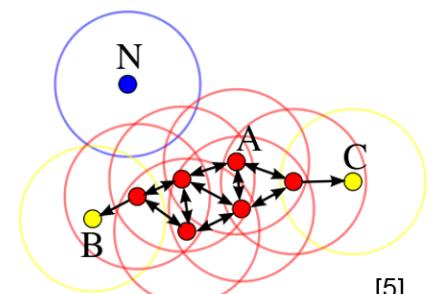
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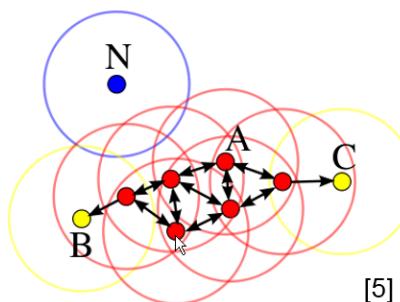
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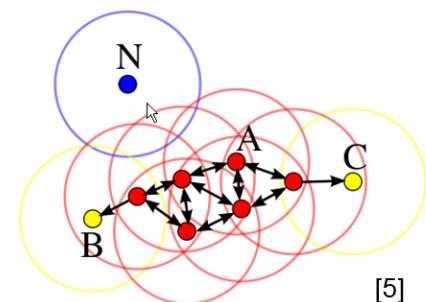
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- **Advantages** of DBSCAN:

- We do not need to know K in advance
- arbitrarily shaped clusters
- notion of noise

- **Disadvantages**:

- instead of having to know K, we need to „guess“ minPt and ϵ instead (can be a problem for high dimensional pattern spaces (→ curse of dimensionality))
- original DBSCAN has fixed (minPt, ϵ) → problems when cluster density varies

K-Means Clustering

- Interesting aspect: How do we **determine correct number k of clusters**? (Same problem with graph clustering: where to cut dendrogram?)

- Answer: Compute for every k clusterings; **choose the best clustering with a cluster quality measure**

- **Cluster quality measures** for metric case (countless variants exist in literature; for an overview: e.g. [2]) (**Objective functions** modeling clustering paradigm):

- Dunn-Index
- Entropy based indices
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Fuzzy C-Means Clustering

- K-Means was a crisp algorithm. Now: **fuzzy variant**
 - Reformulate K-Means objective function with **membership matrix**
- r_{nk} : Membership of pattern x_n in class C_k

$$J_{SQE} = \sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^K r_{nk} \|x_n - \mu_k\|^2$$

- optimization criterion

$$\frac{dJ_{SQE}}{d\mu_k} = 0$$

- together with non-overlapping constraint

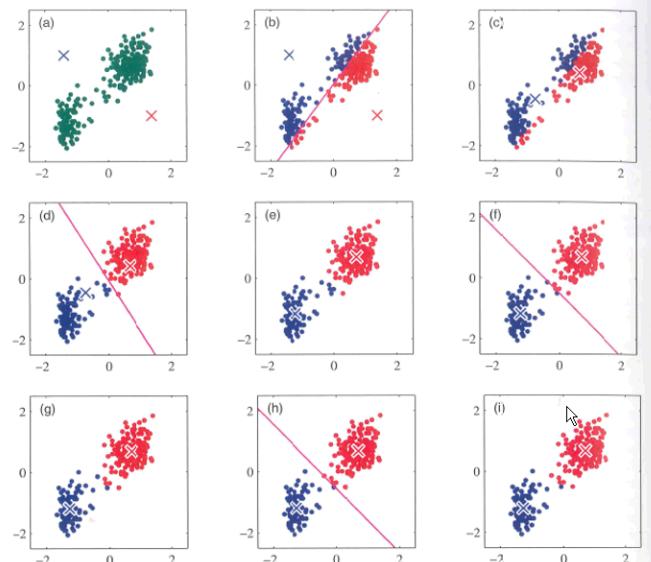
$$\forall n (\exists k (r_{nk} = 1) \wedge ((k' \neq k) \rightarrow (r_{nk'} = 0)))$$

leads to well known K-Means

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Example Application: Clustering locations

- Problem: How do we **distinguish socially relevant clusters** (candidates for groups) from quasi groups?
- **Compute clusterings over period of time:** Good candidates: clusters that appear over and over again, clusters that appear periodically
- **Establish threshold for distance in clusters:** Human “social distance”: A few meters (if groups are very small); few tens of meters (if groups are medium sized)
- **Include velocities:** If divergent \rightarrow no group



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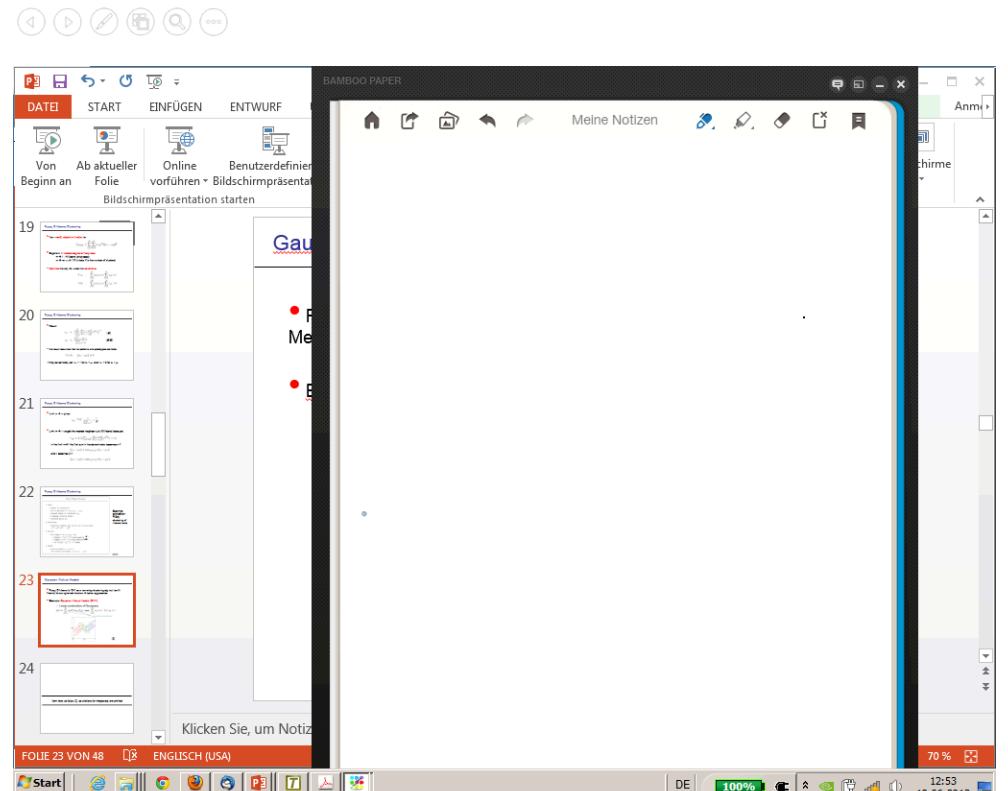
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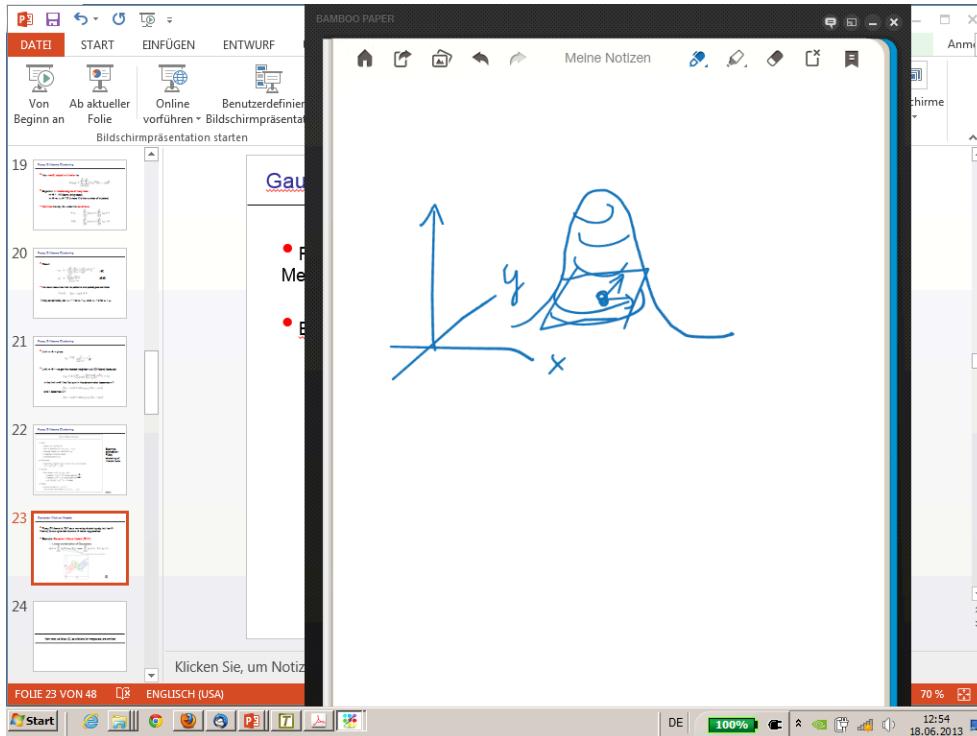
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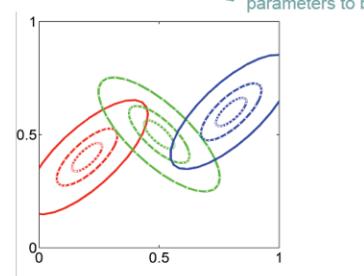


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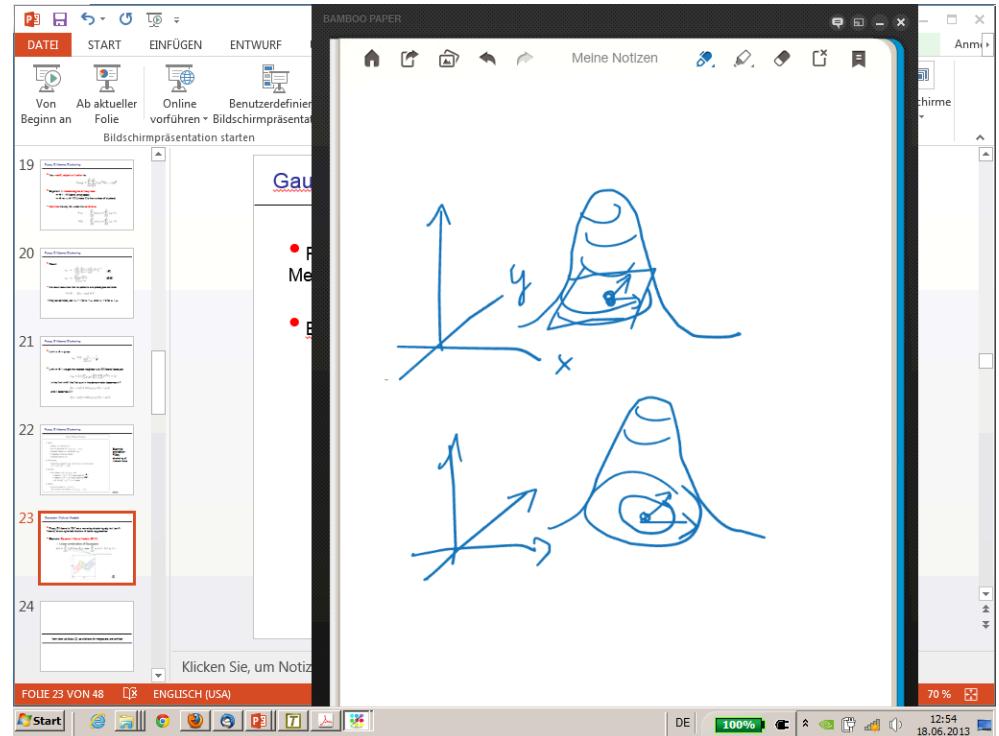
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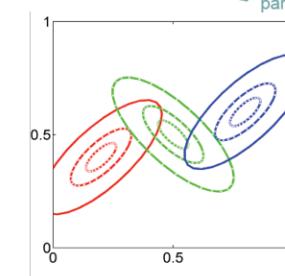


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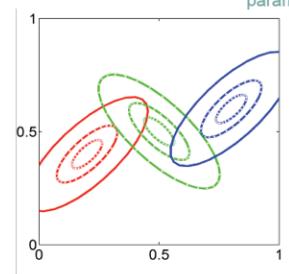
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Bayes theorem → $p(\theta|\mathcal{X}) \propto p(\mathcal{X}|\theta)p(\theta)$

- Maximum A posteriori $\theta^{MAP} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta} p(\theta|\mathcal{X})$

- Maximum Likelihood $\theta^{ML} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta} p(\mathcal{X}|\theta)$
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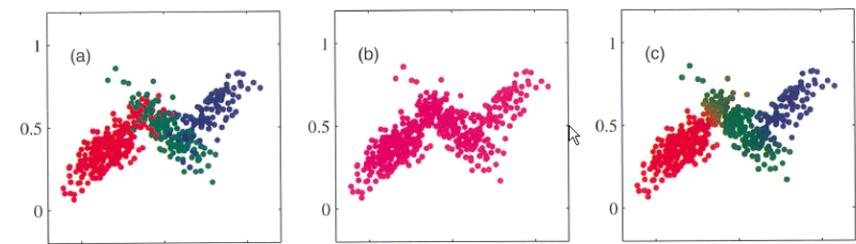
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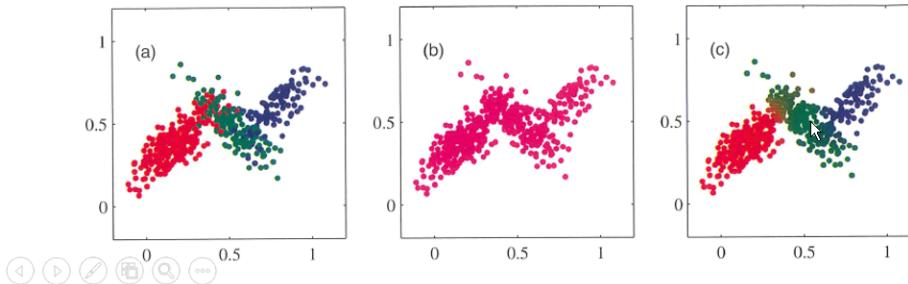
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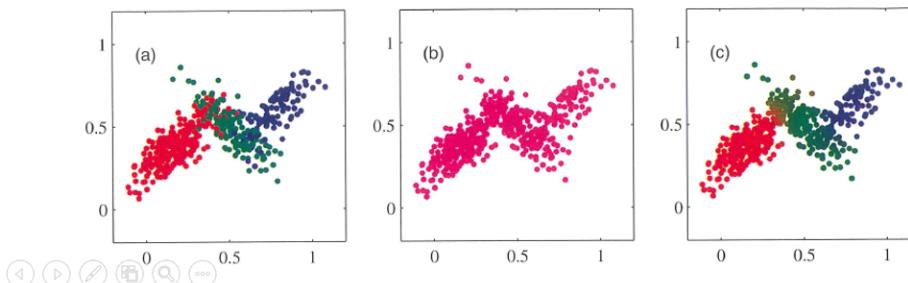
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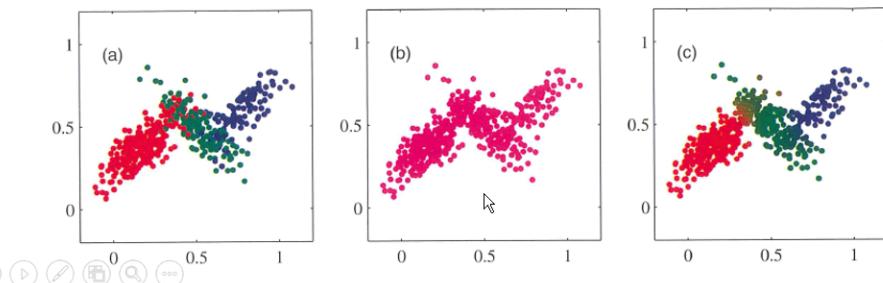
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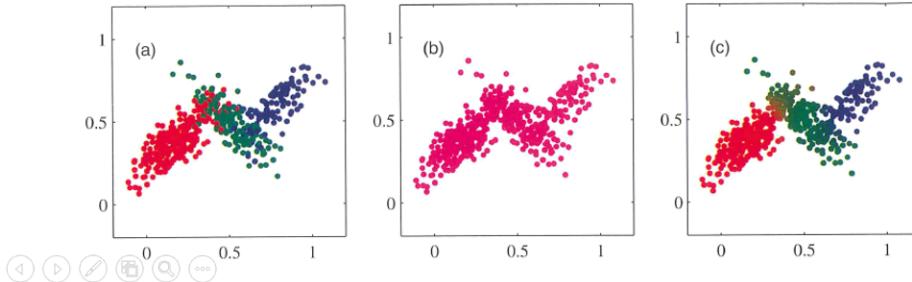
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