

KECE471 Computer Vision

# EM Algorithm and Mean Shift

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Chapter 14, Computer Vision by Forsyth and Ponce

Chapter 5, Computer Vision by Richard Szeliski

Note: Dr. Forsyth's notes are partly used.

The contents on meanshift part are copied from the ppt file of  
Yaron Ukrainitz & Bernard Sarel

**EM -**

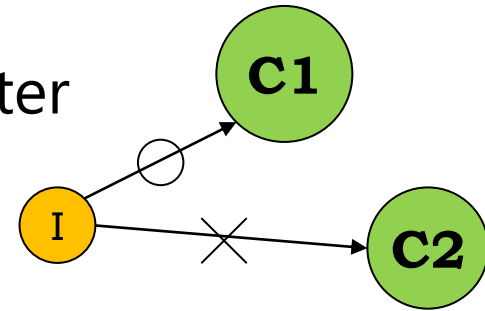
**EXPECTATION MAXIMIZATION**

# K-means and EM algorithm

- K-Means

- Hard Clustering

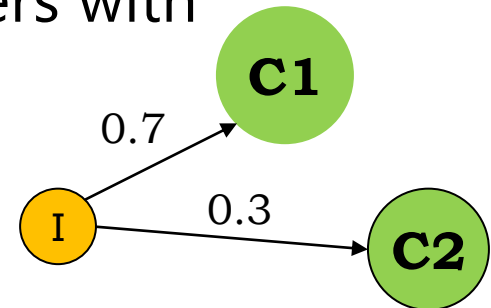
- An instance belongs to only one cluster



- EM

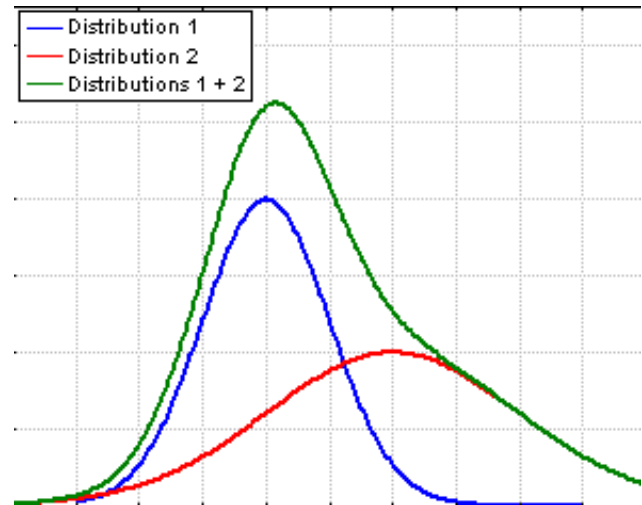
- Soft Clustering.

- An instance belongs to several clusters with membership probability



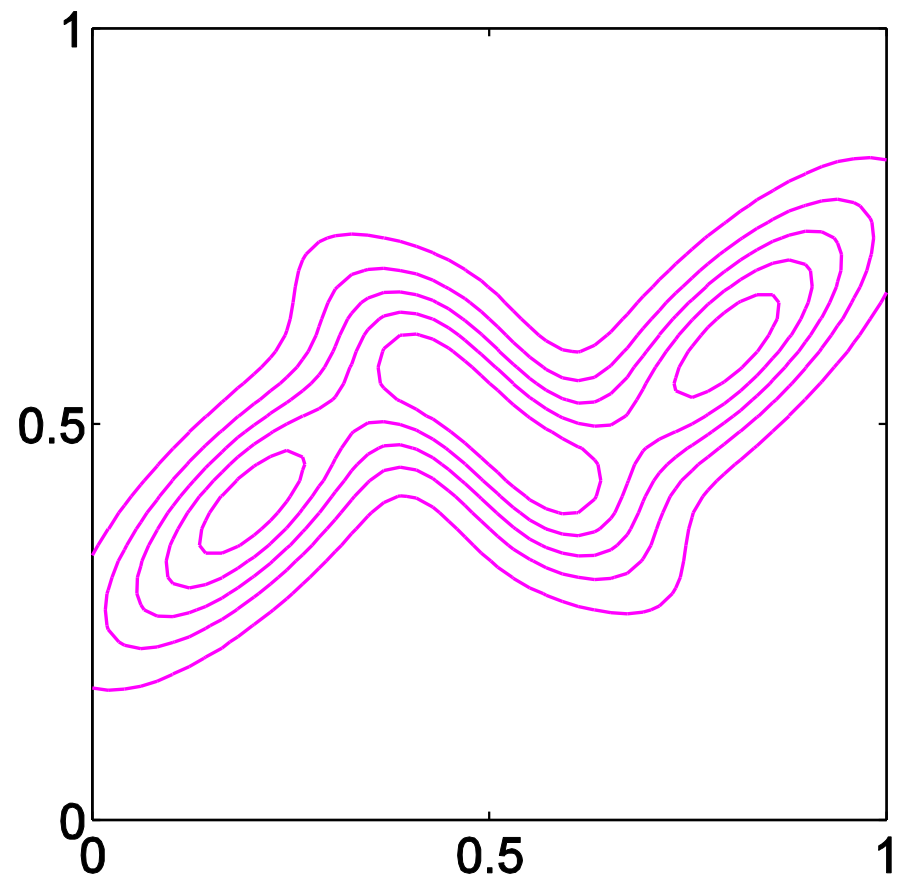
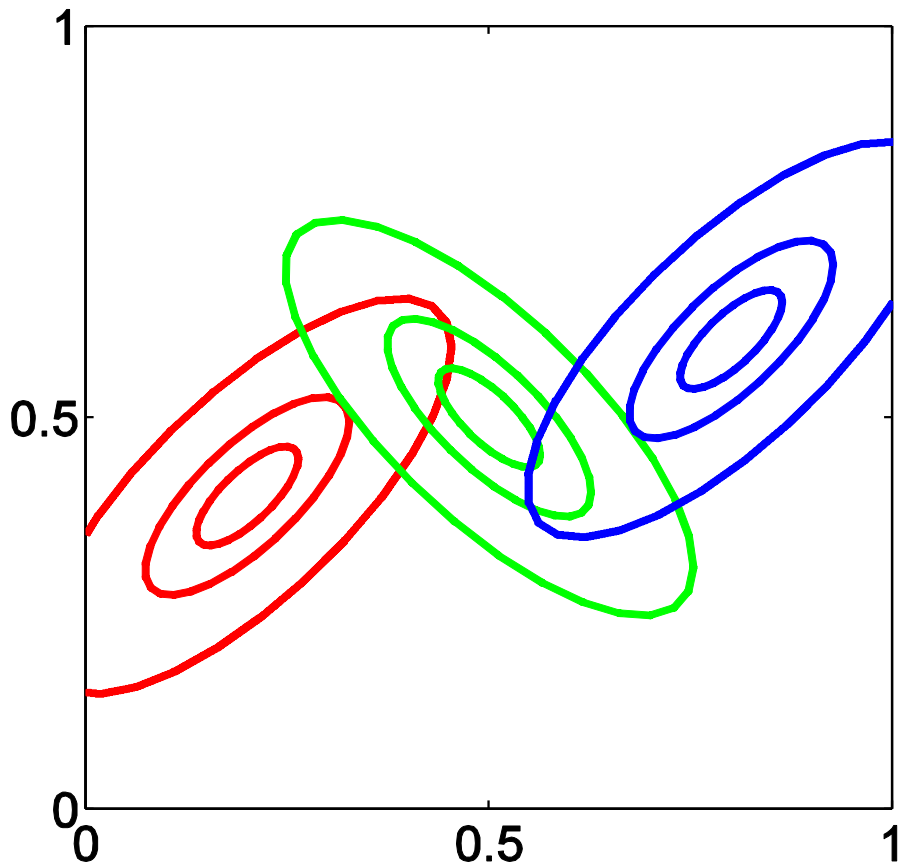
# Clustering - EM algorithm

- Gaussian mixture model
  - A mixture is a set of  $k$  Gaussian distributions, representing  $k$  clusters.
  - Each Gaussian distribution is represented by mean and variance.
  - The mixture model combines several Gaussian distributions.



# Clustering - EM algorithm

- Example : Mixture of 3 Gaussians

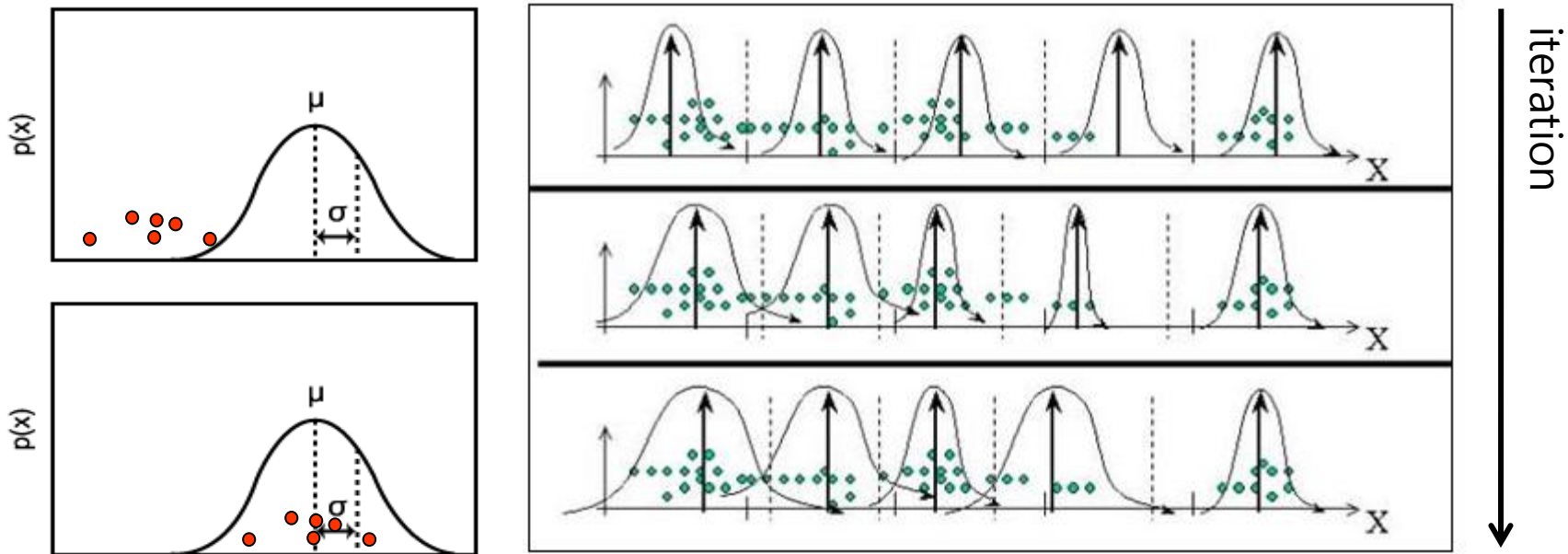


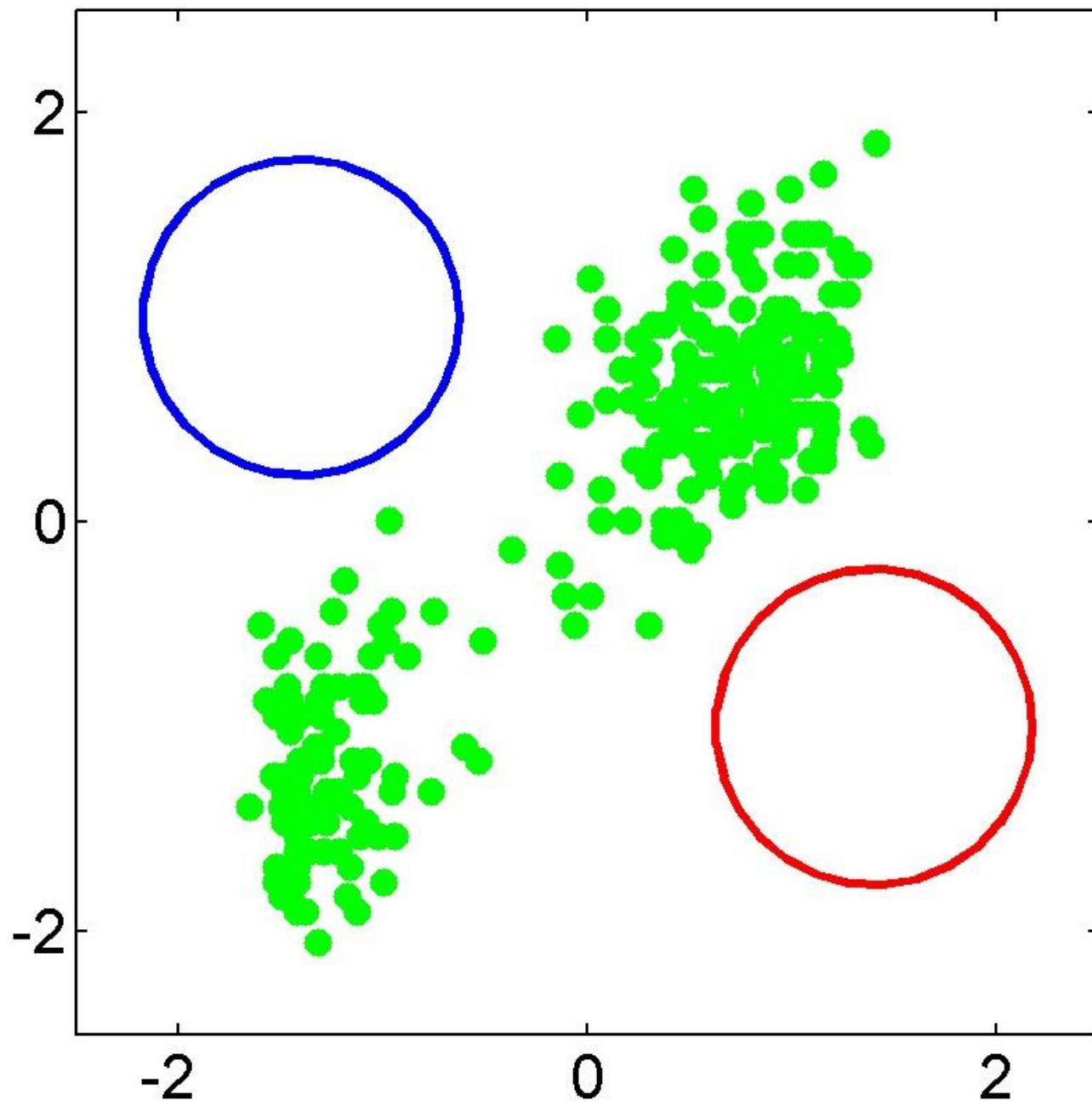
# Fitting a Gaussian Mixture

- Given the data set, estimate the parameters:
  - Mixing coefficients
  - Means
  - Variances
- If we know which cluster generates each data point, the estimation is very easy
- But the information is unknown

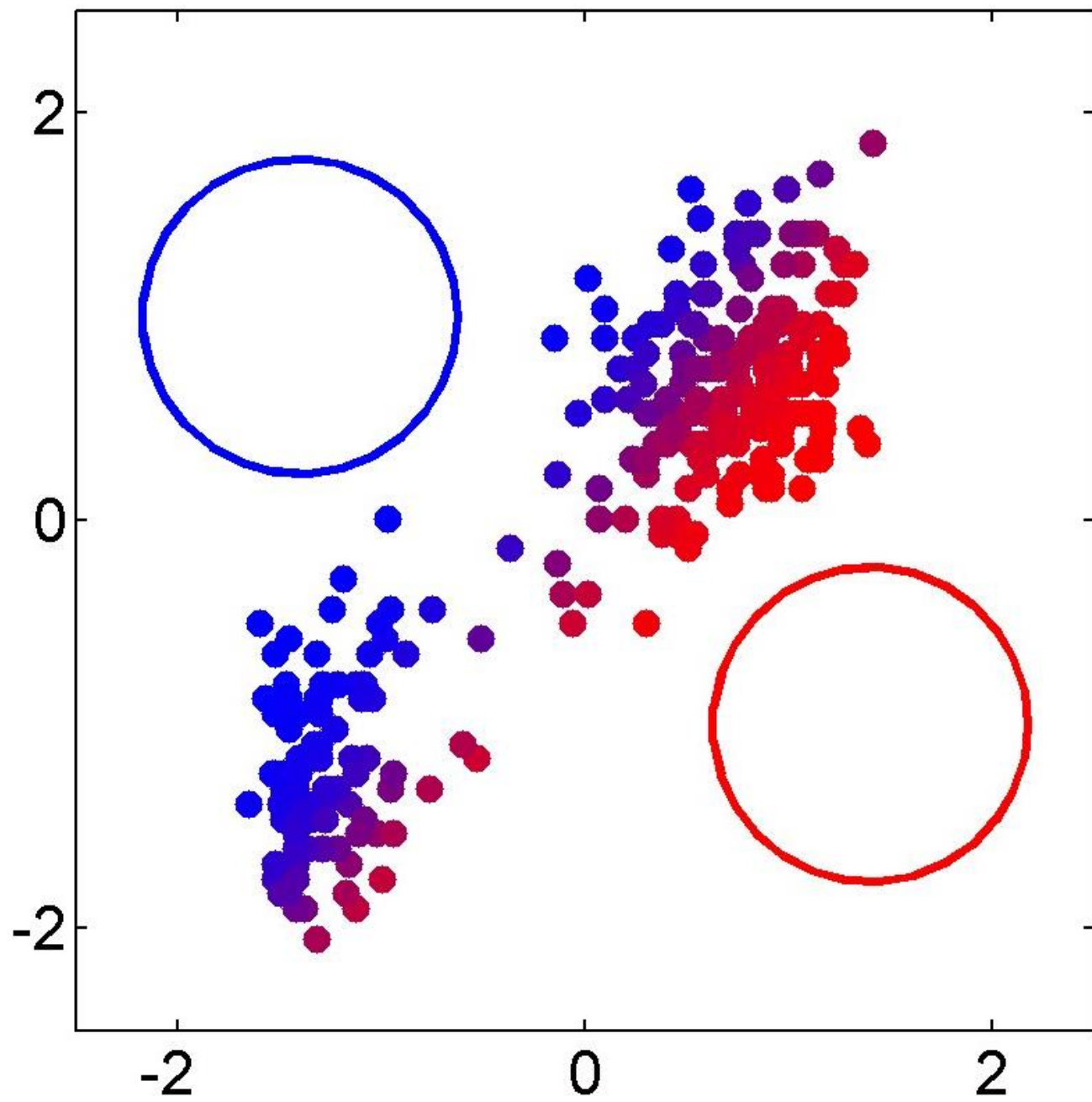
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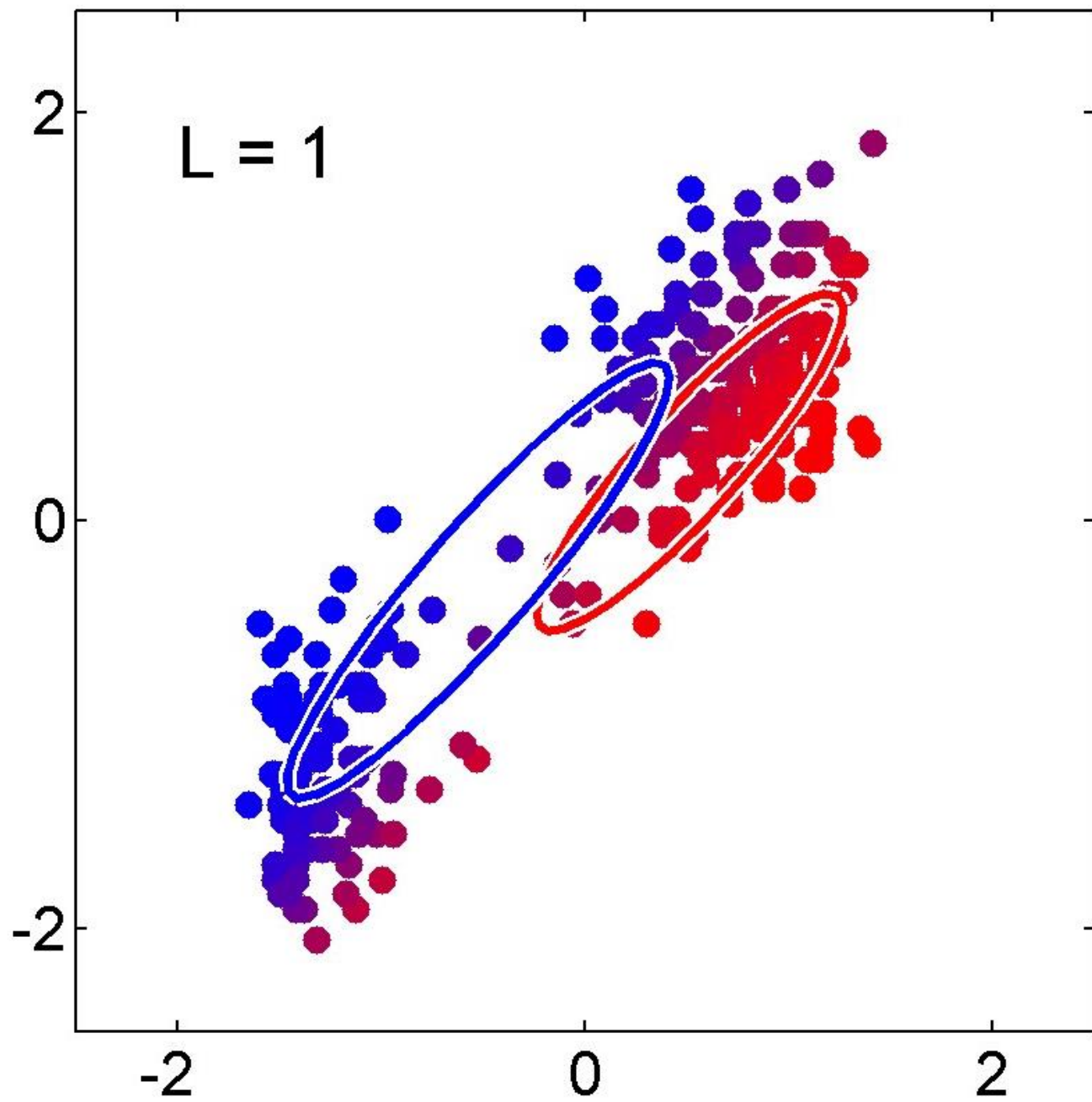
- Iterative scheme
  - Make initial guesses for the parameters
  - Alternate between the following two stages:
    1. E-step: evaluate responsibilities
    2. M-step: update parameters using ML results

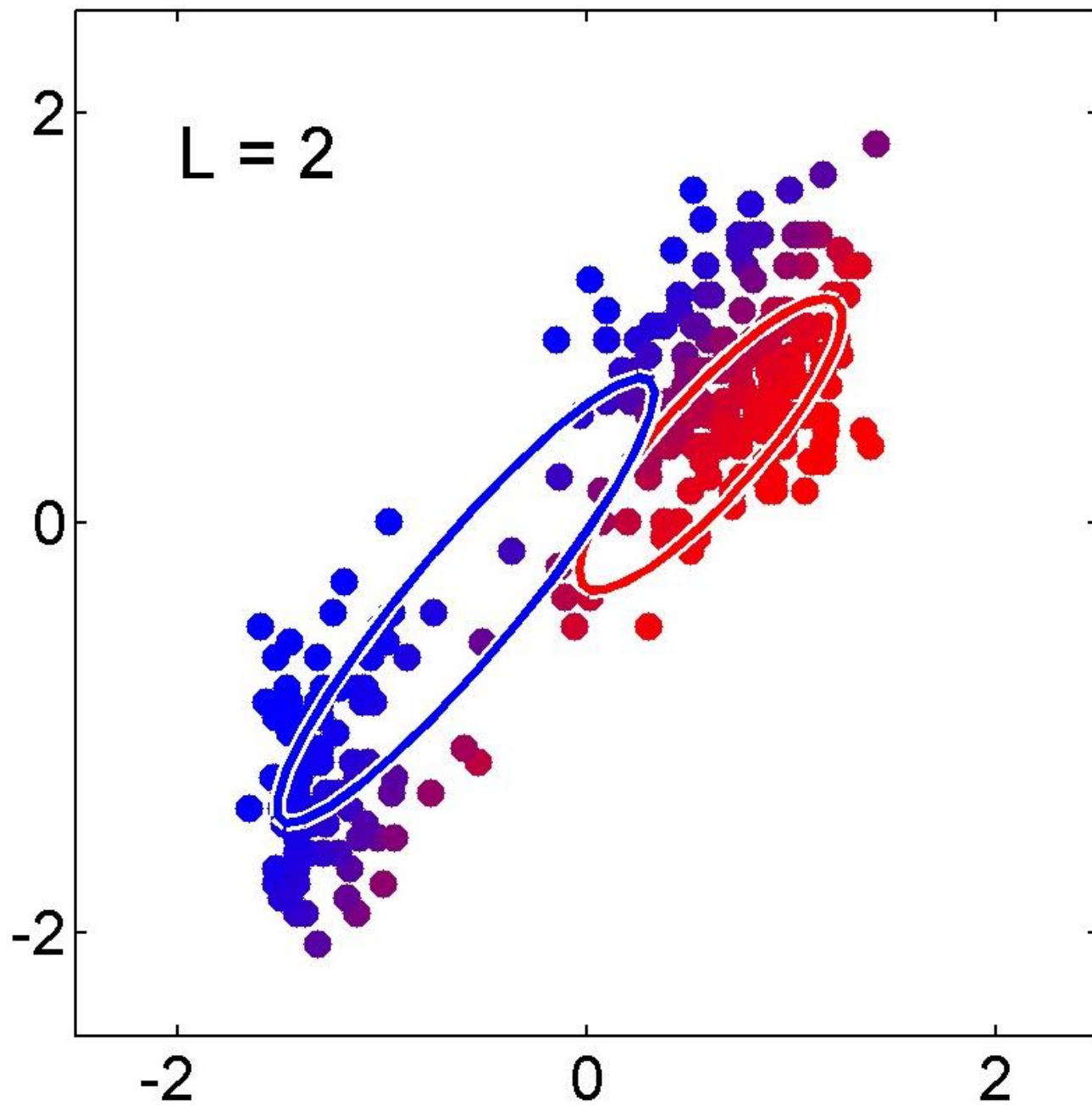


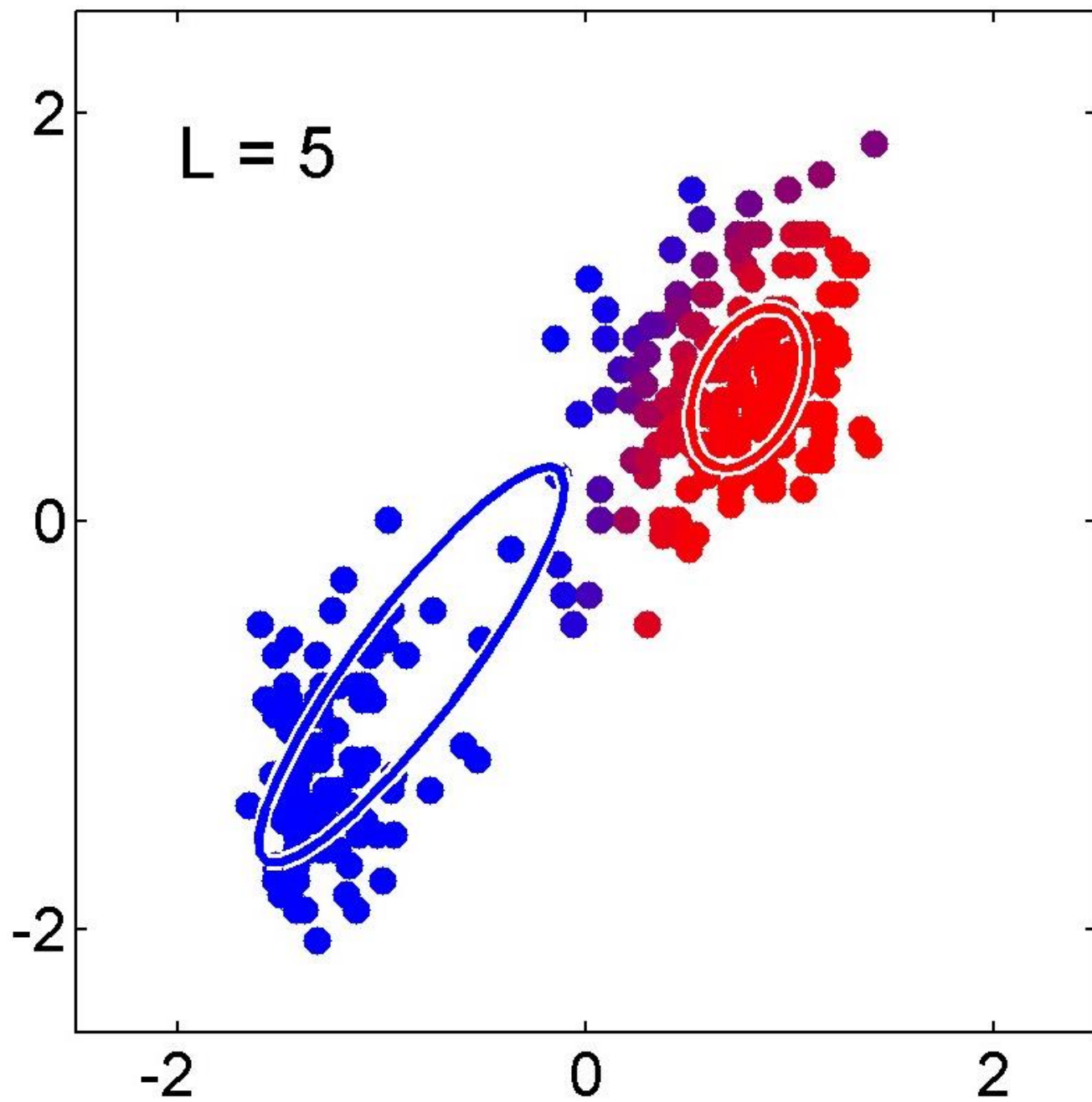


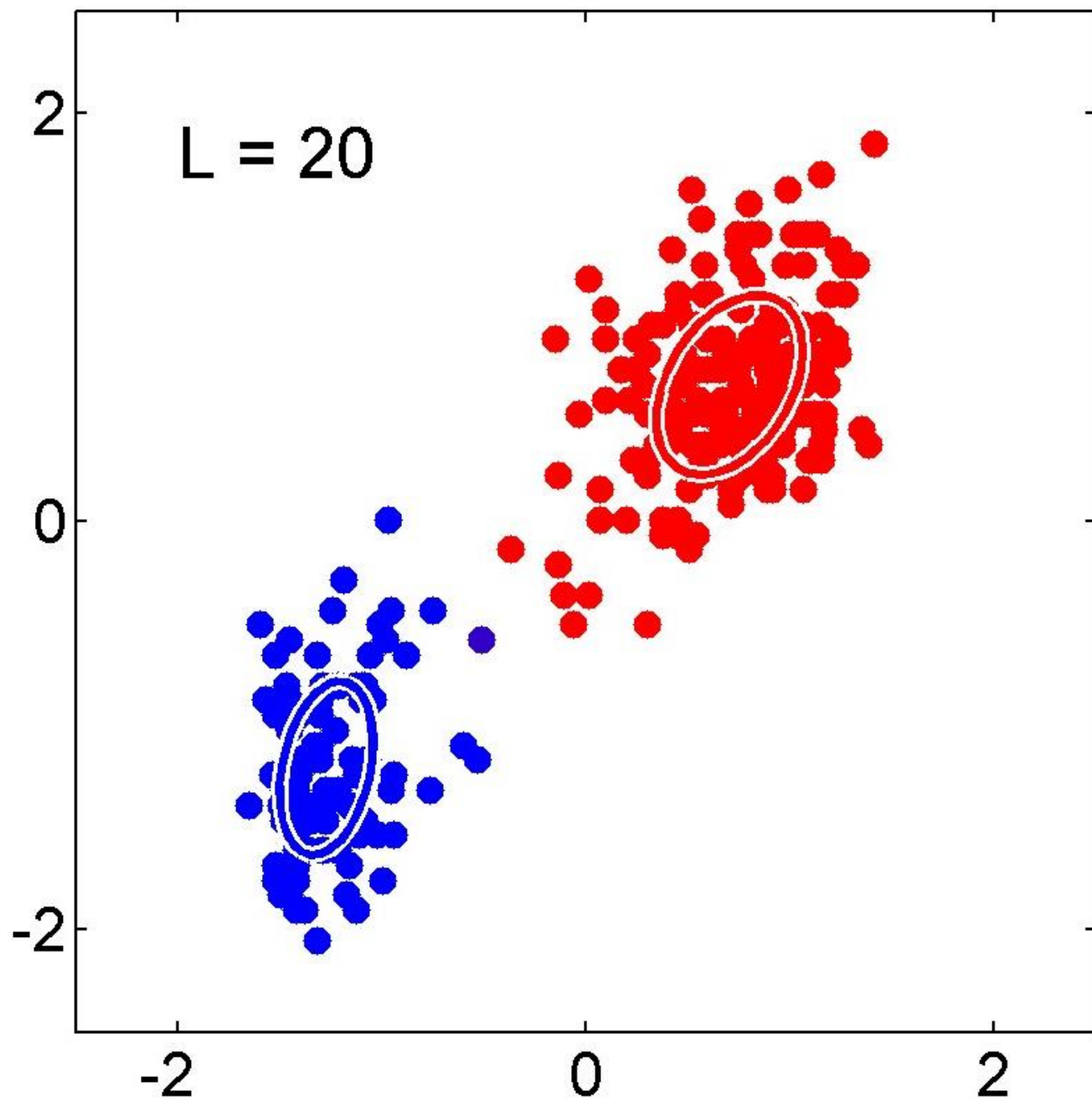






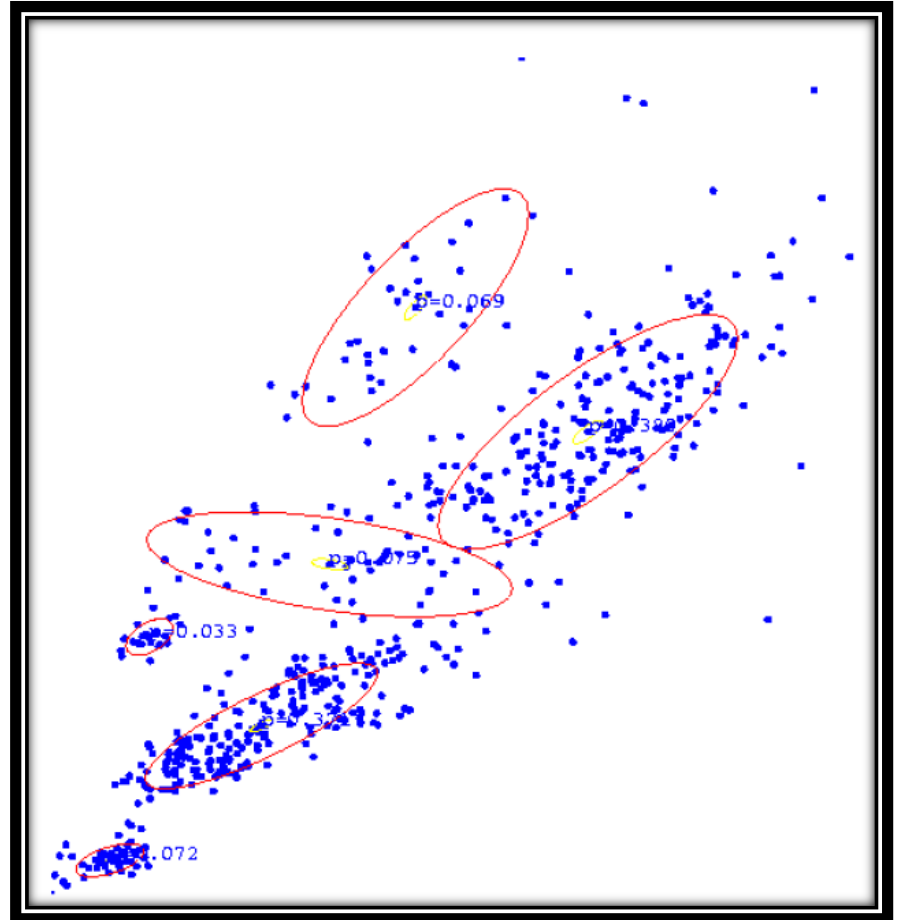
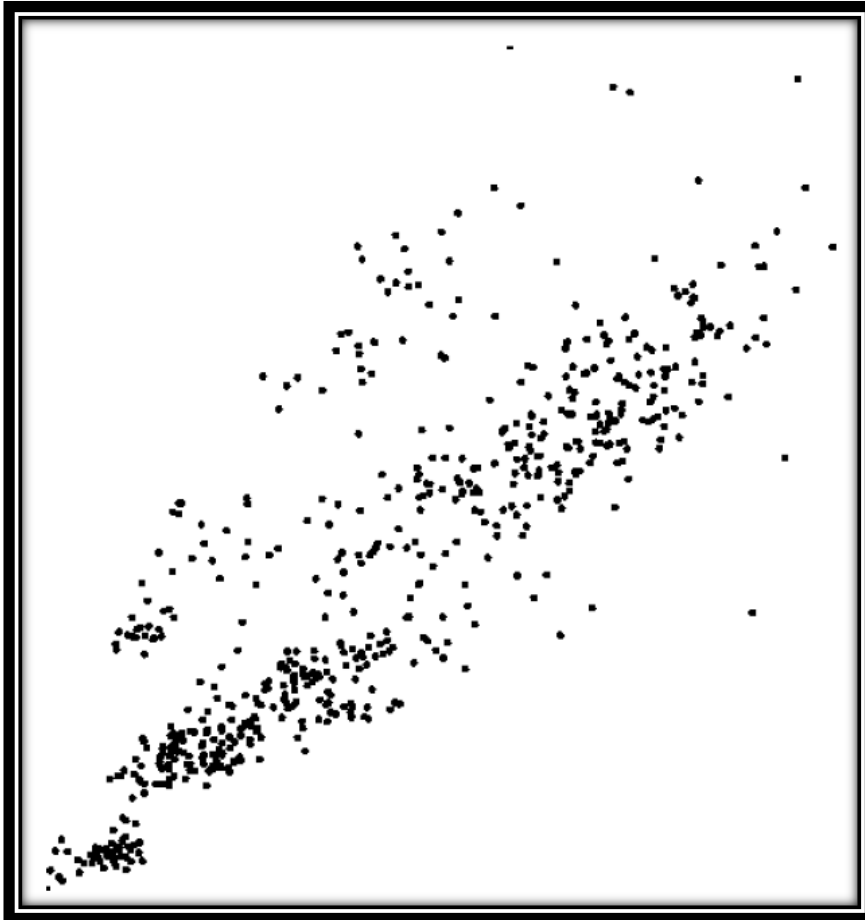






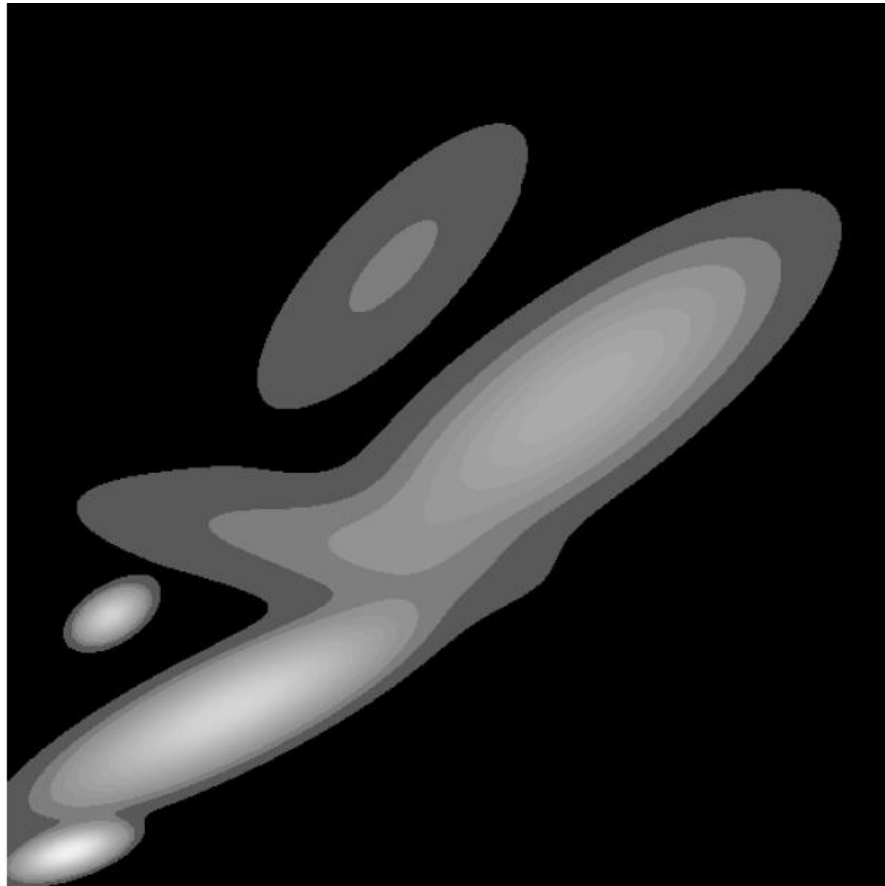
# Another Example

- Data set – 6 clusters



# Fitting the Gaussian Mixture

- Resulting density estimation





# Another Example



Original image



2 clusters



5 clusters



10 clusters



20 clusters



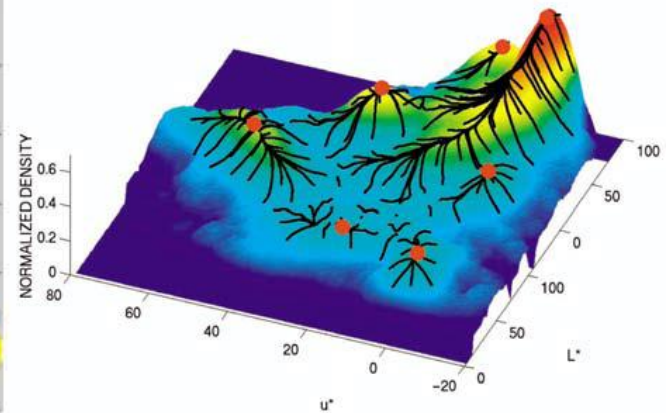
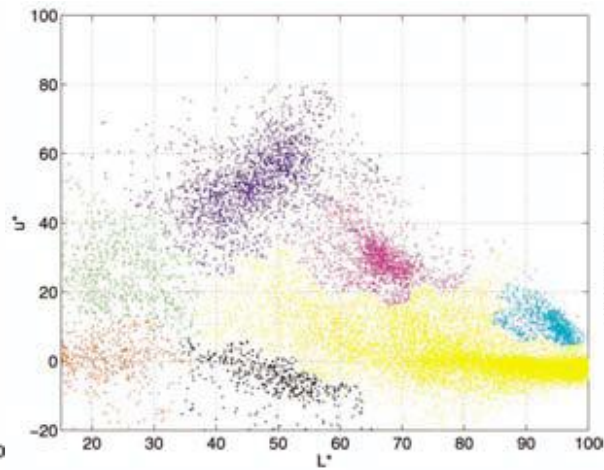
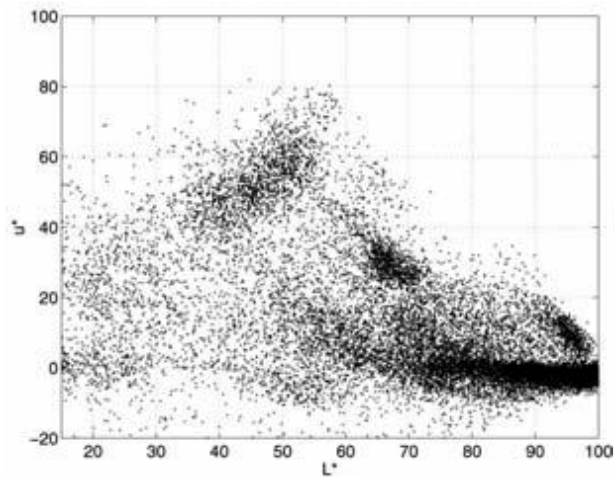
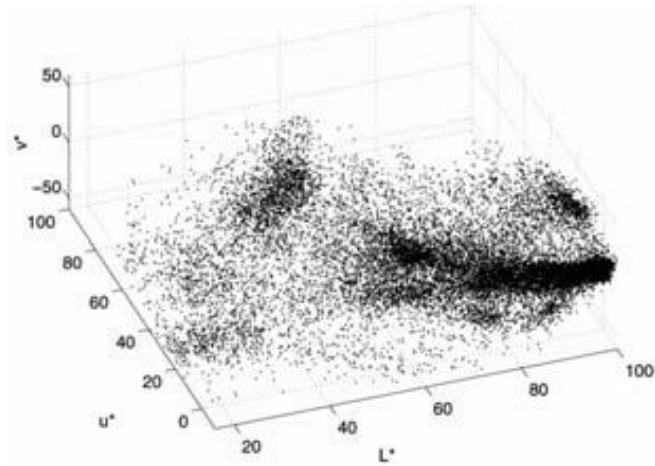
50 clusters



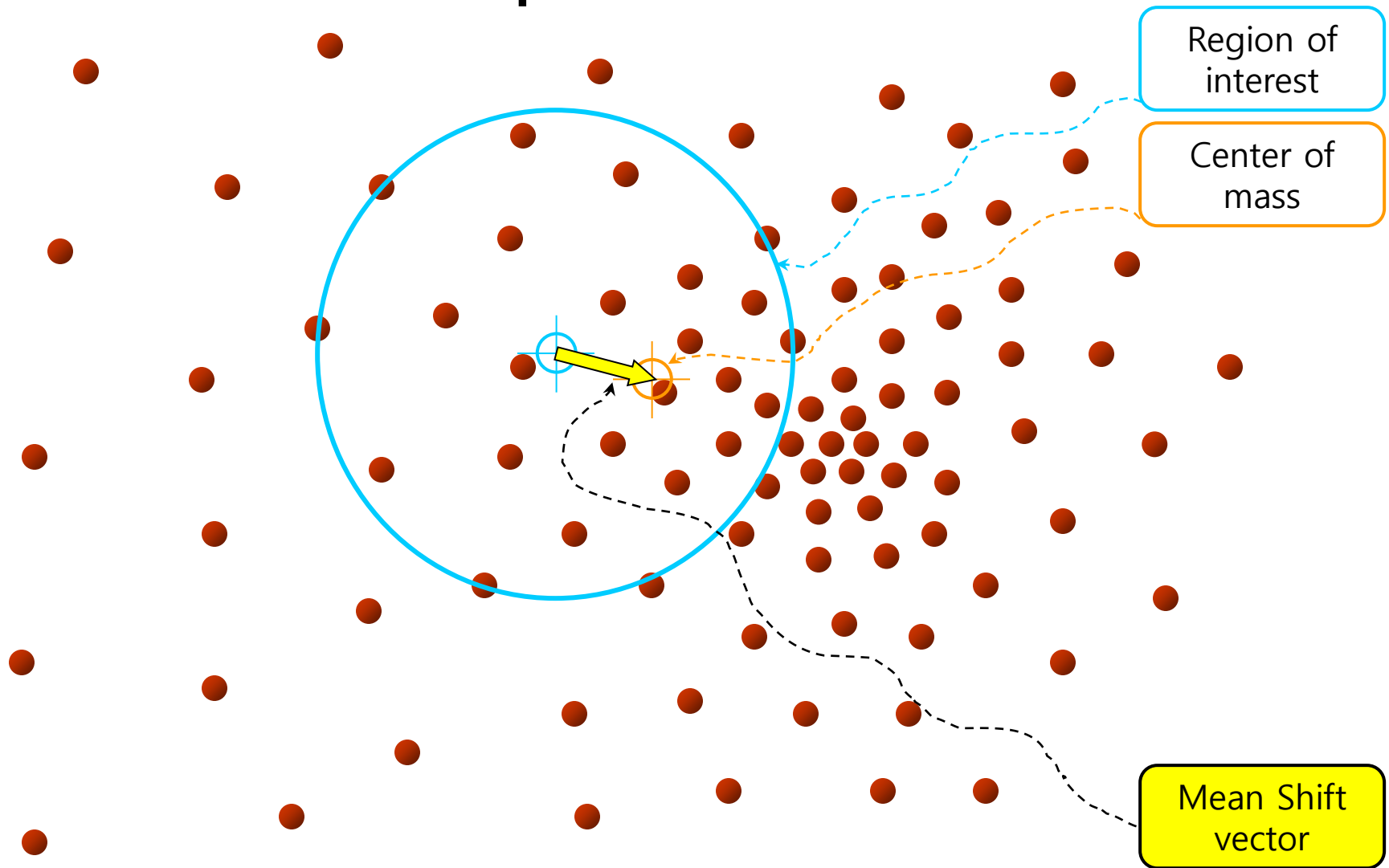
# MEAN SHIFT AND MODE FINDING

- D. Comaniciu and P. Meer, "Mean shift: A robust approach toward feature space analysis," IEEE Trans. PAMI, vol. 24, no. 5, pp. 603-619, 2002.
- Slides are excerpted from those of Yaron Ukrainitz & Bernard Sarel

# Mean shift and Mode Finding

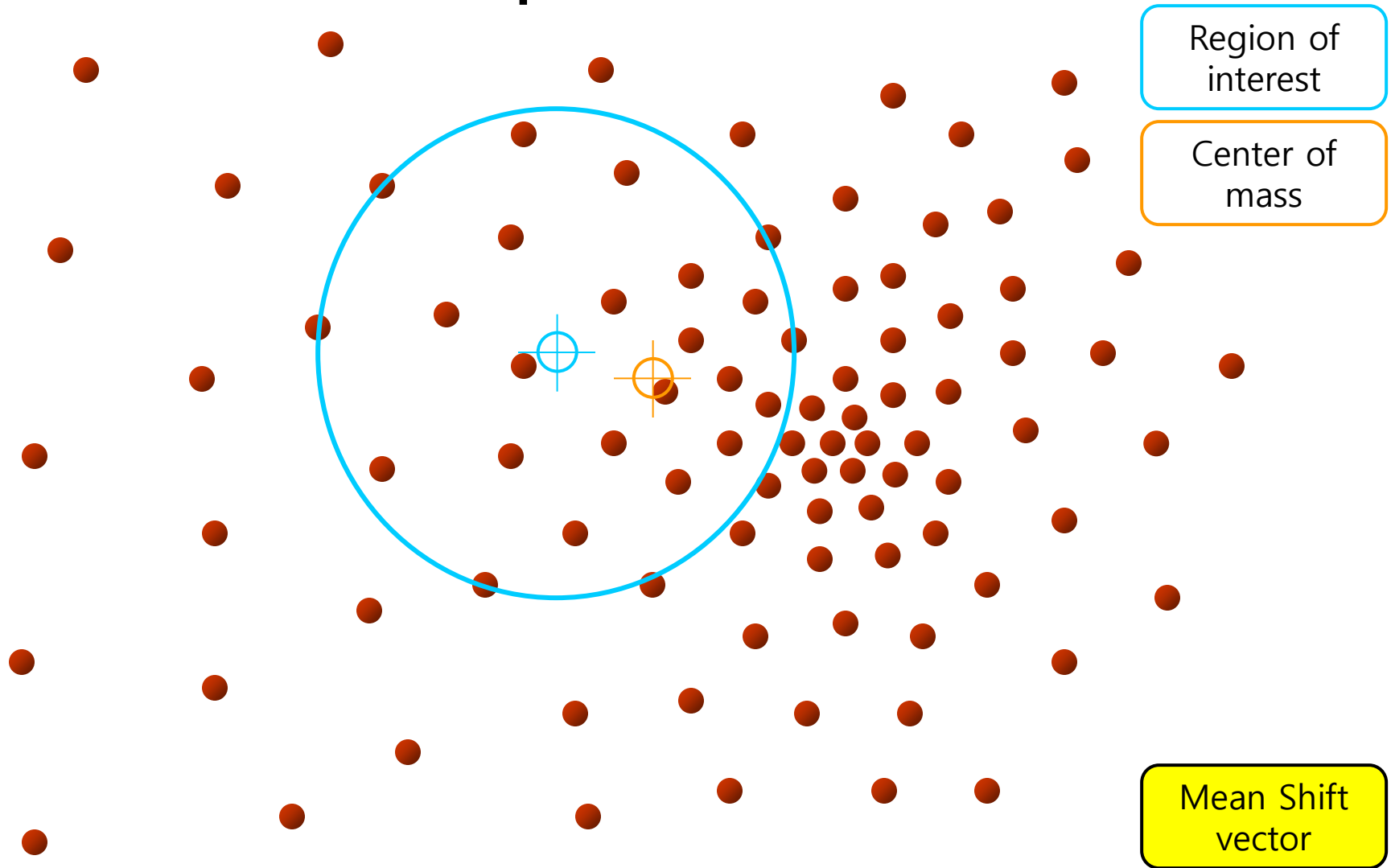


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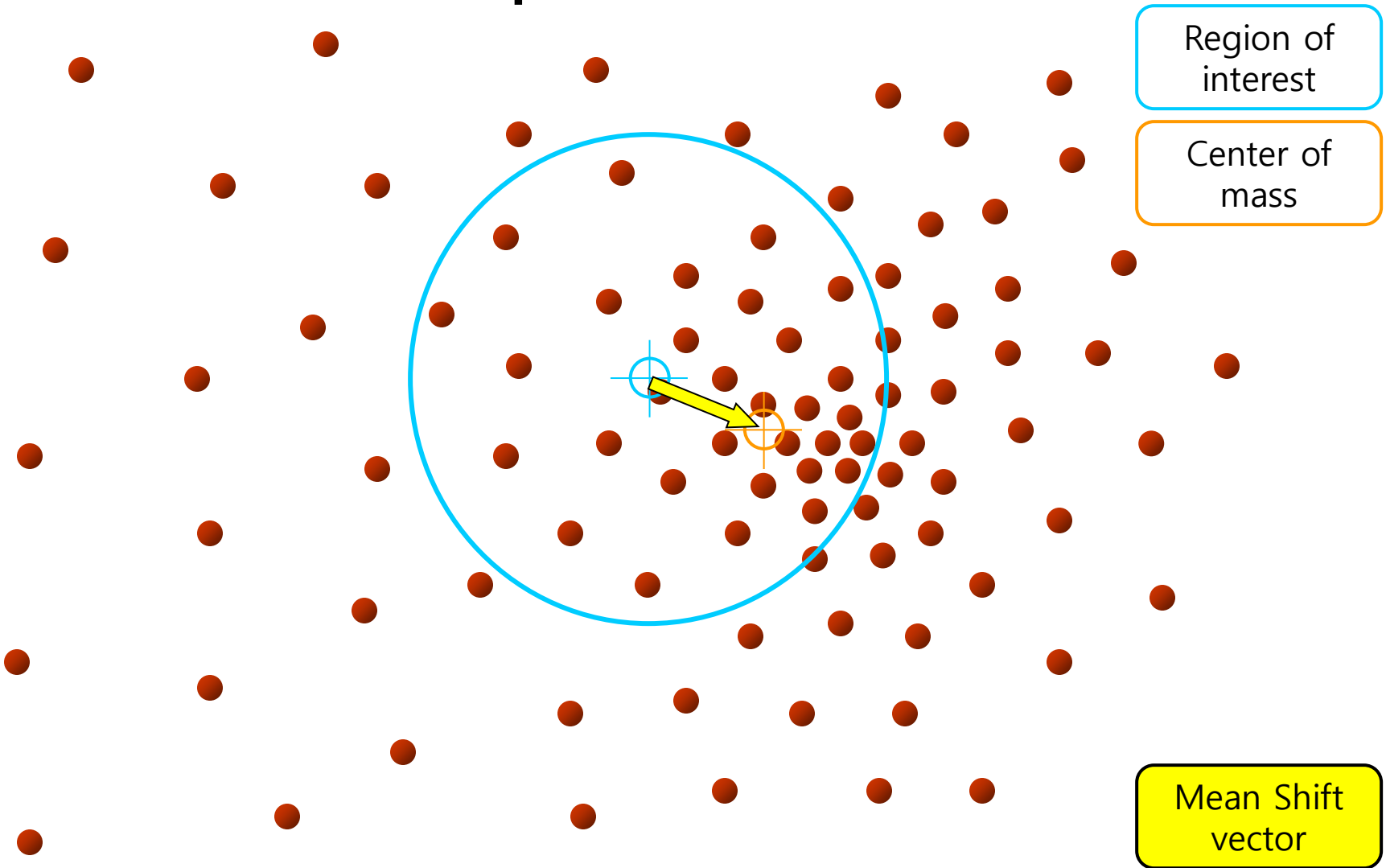
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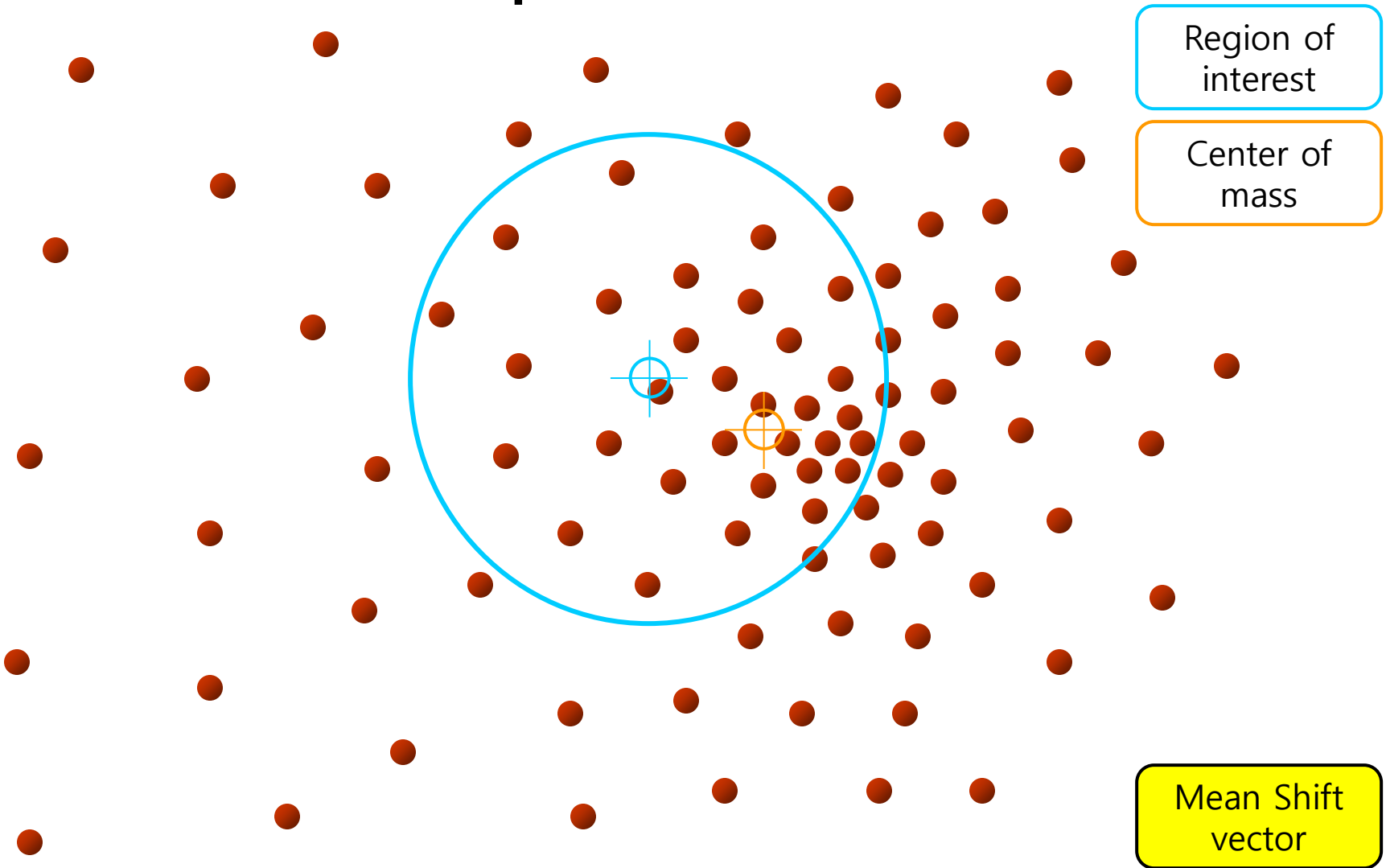
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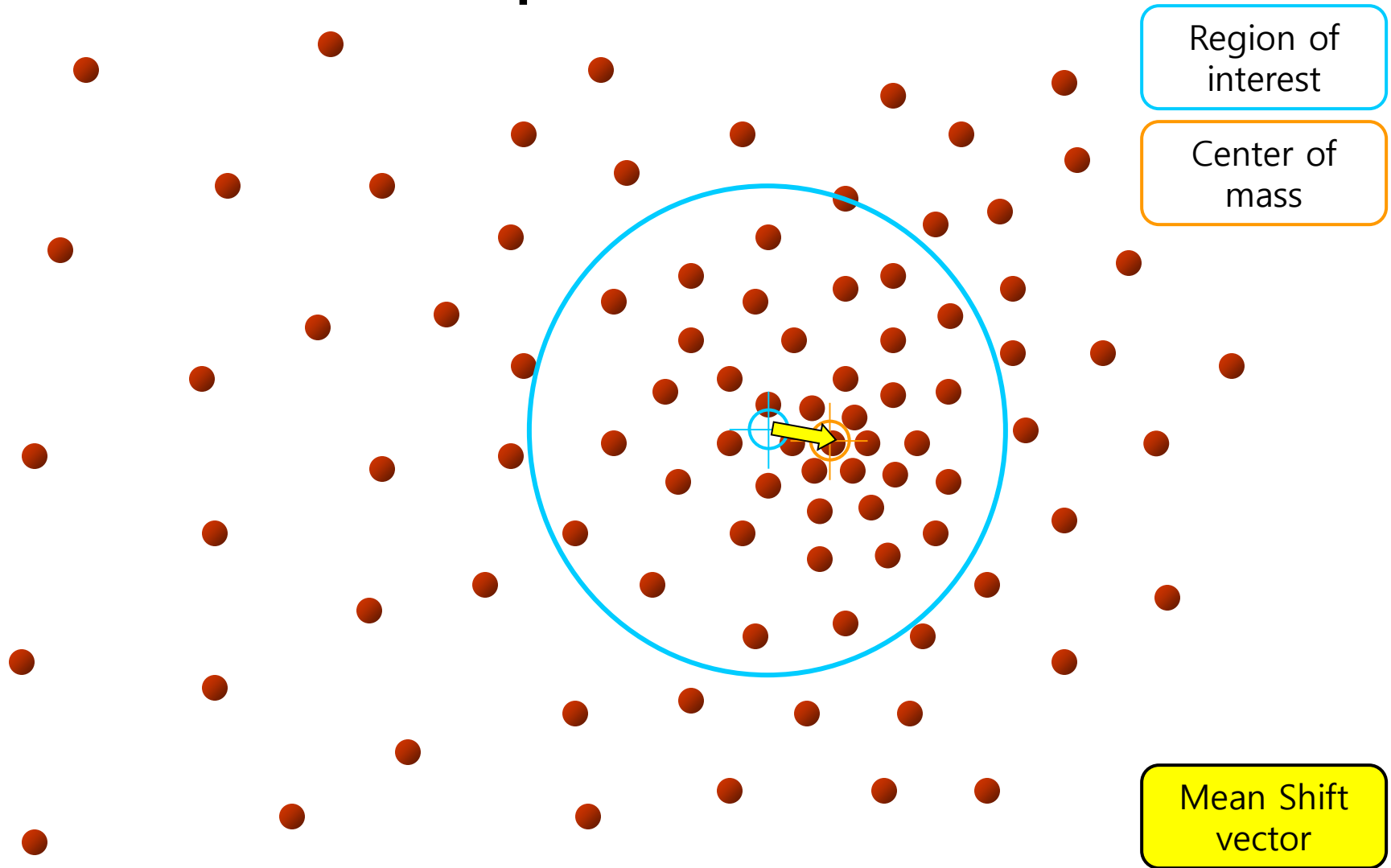
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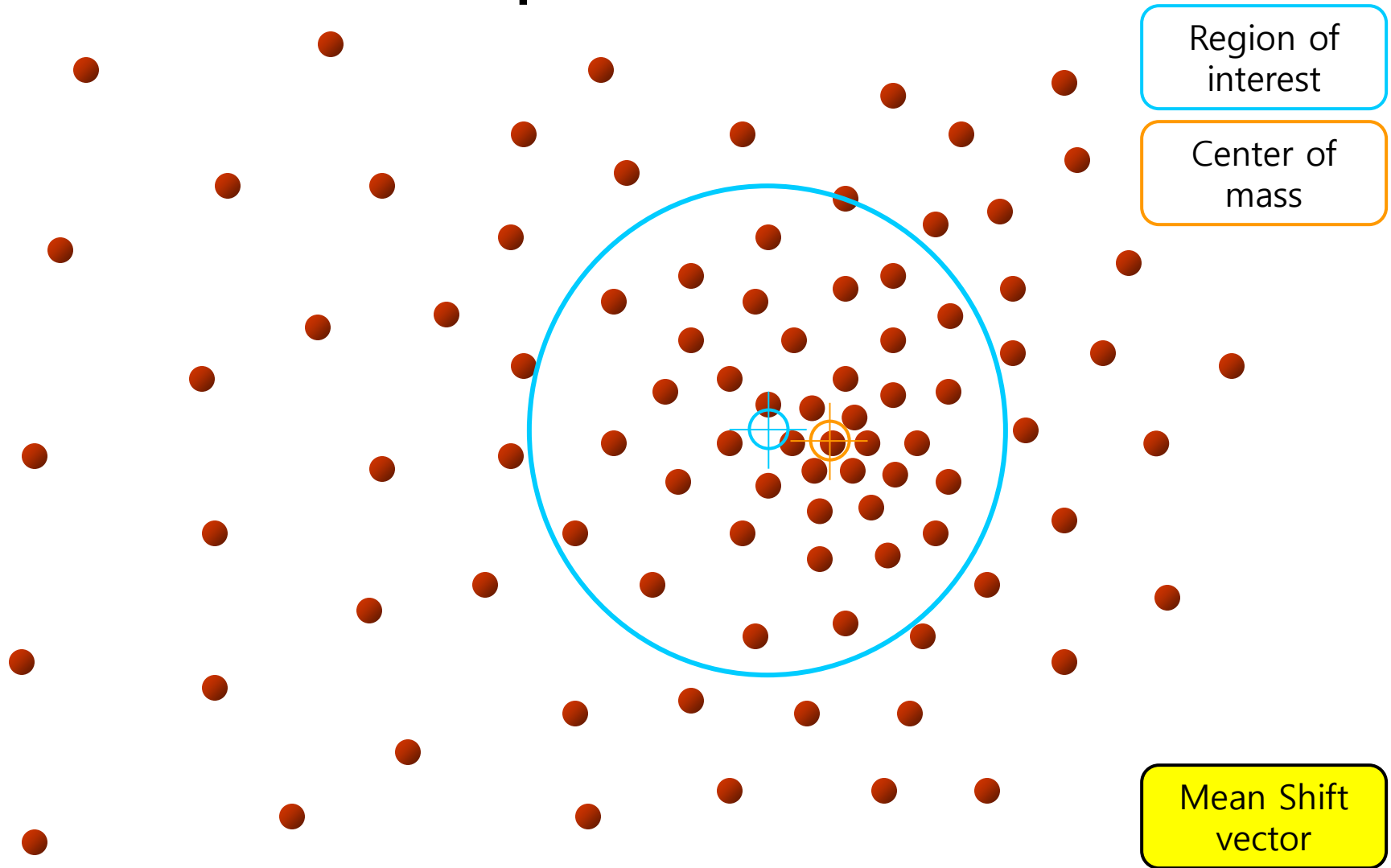
Region of interest

Center of mass

Mean Shift vector

Objective : Find the densest region

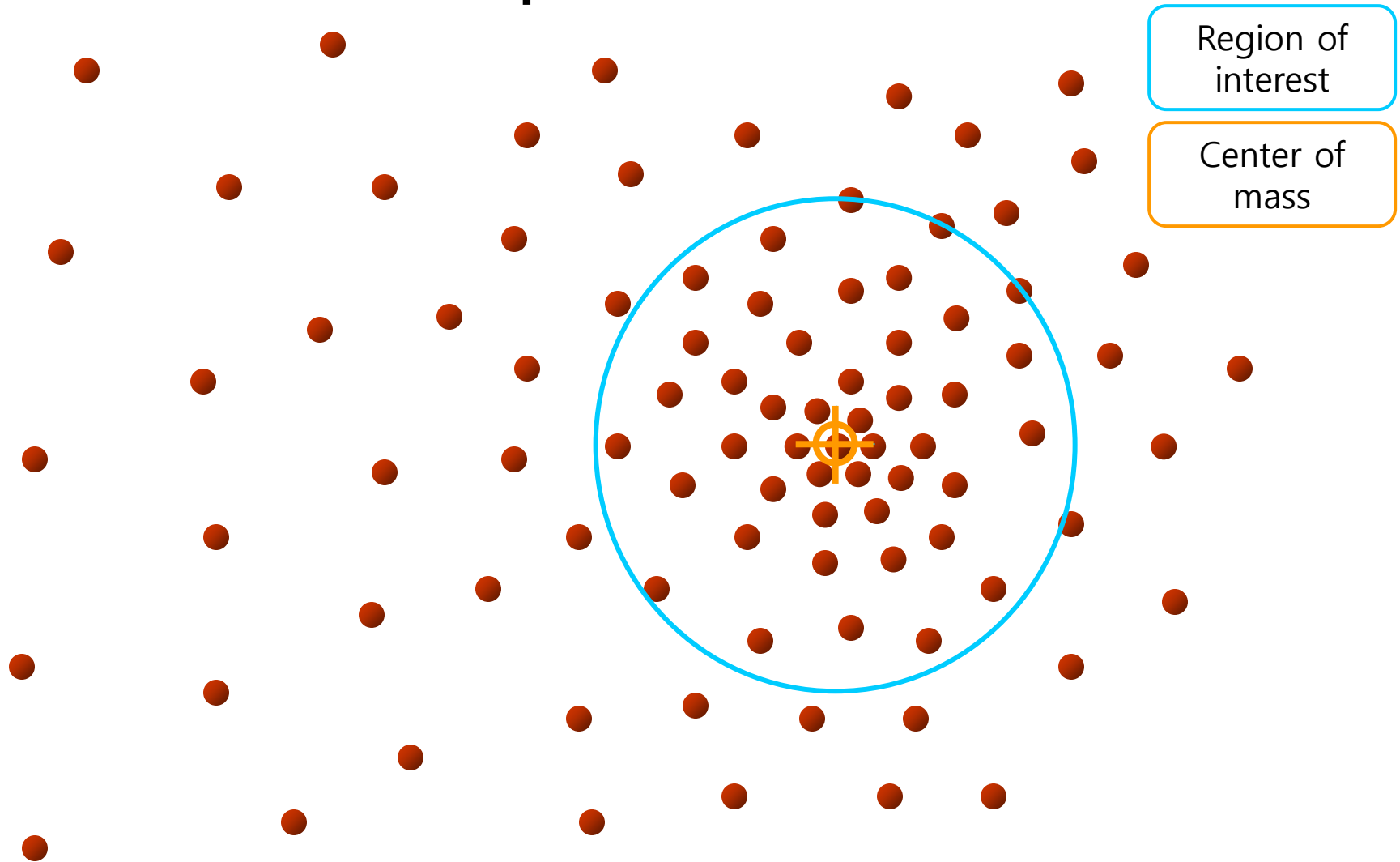
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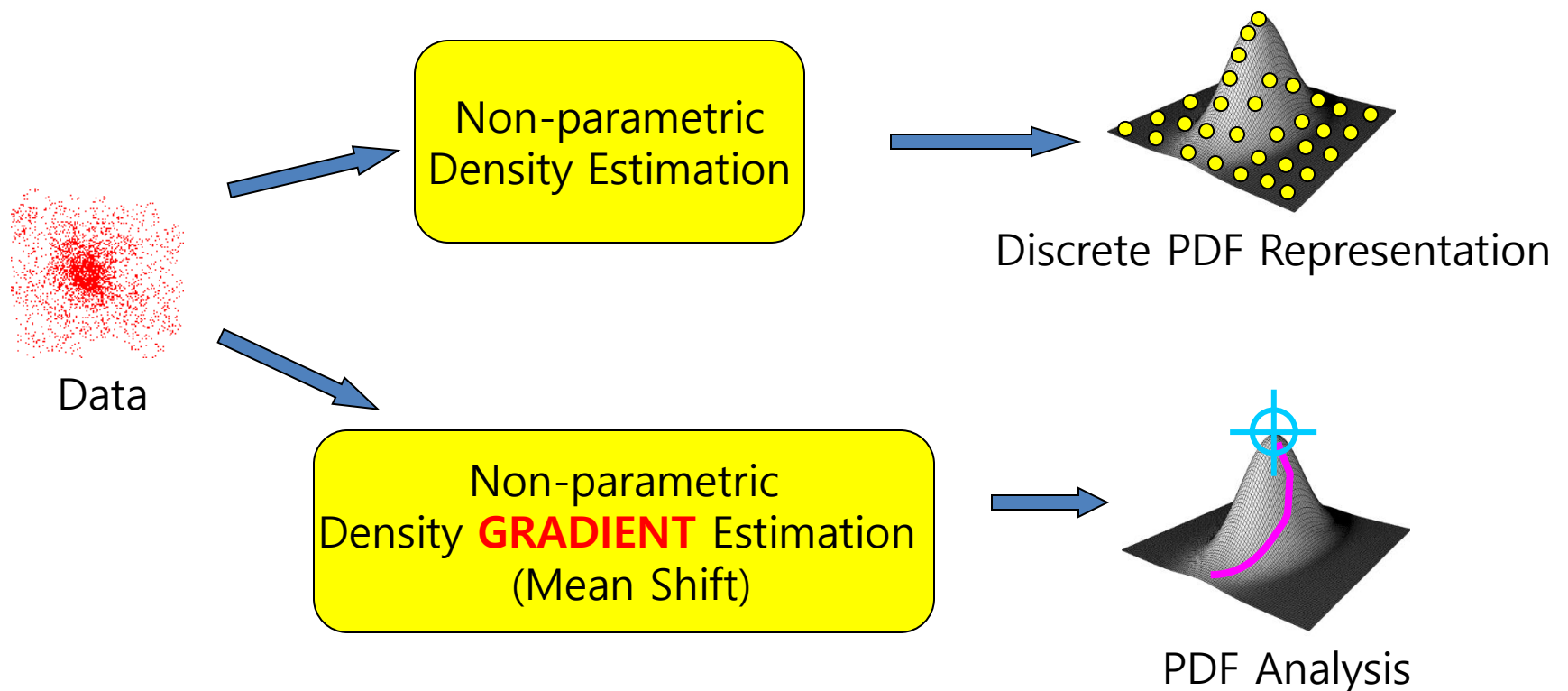


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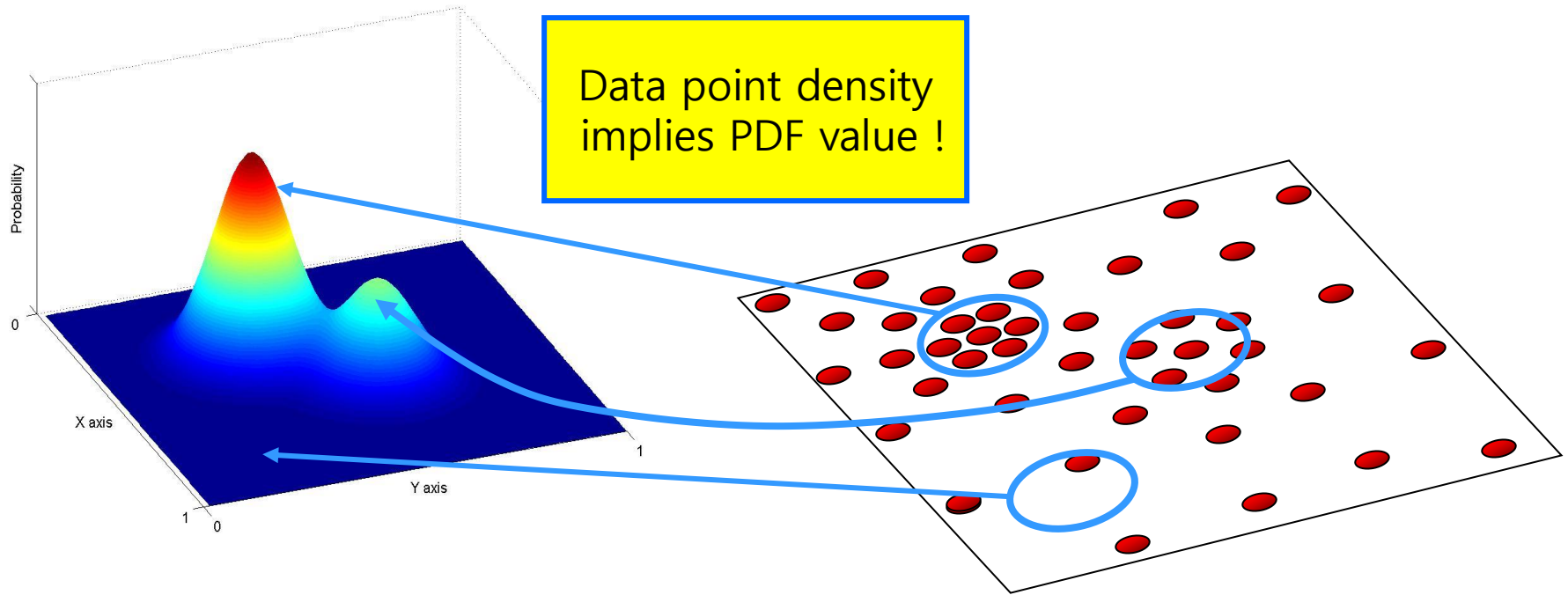
# What is Mean Shift ?

A tool for:

Finding modes in a set of data samples, representing an underlying probability density function (PDF) in  $\mathbb{R}^N$



# Density Estimation



**Underlying PDF**

**Real Data Samples**

# Density Estimation

- Parametric density estimation

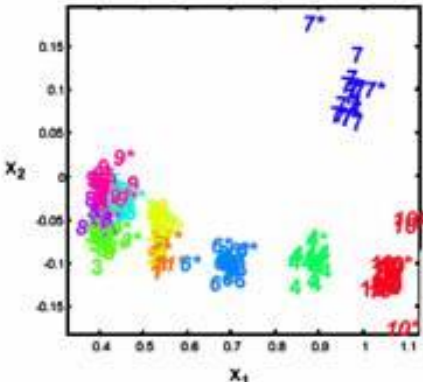
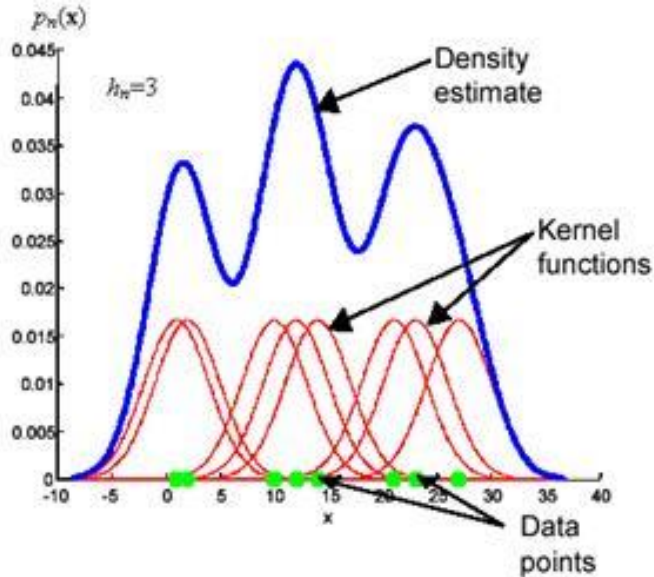
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-m)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

- Nonparametric density estimation

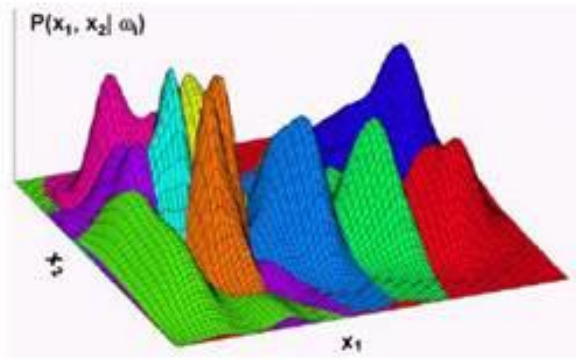
$$f(x) = \sum_i k(x - x_i)$$

- Kernel density estimation
- Parzen window technique

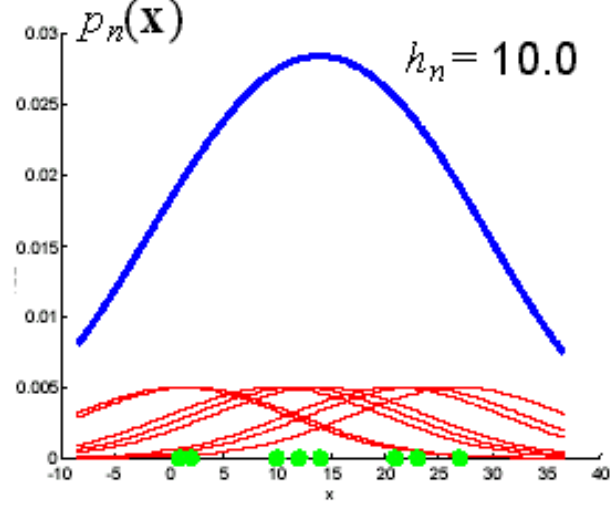
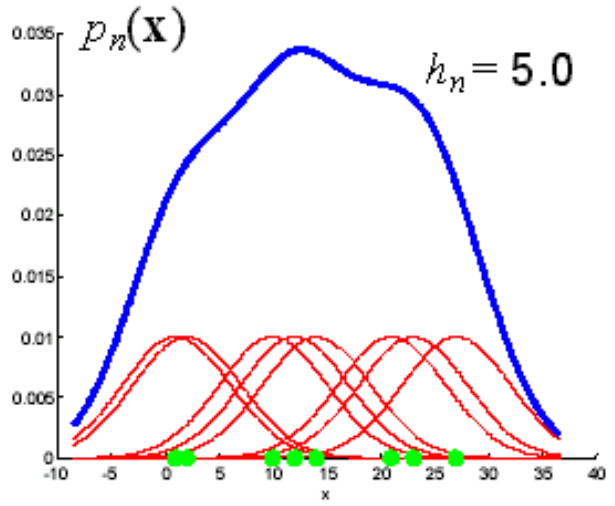
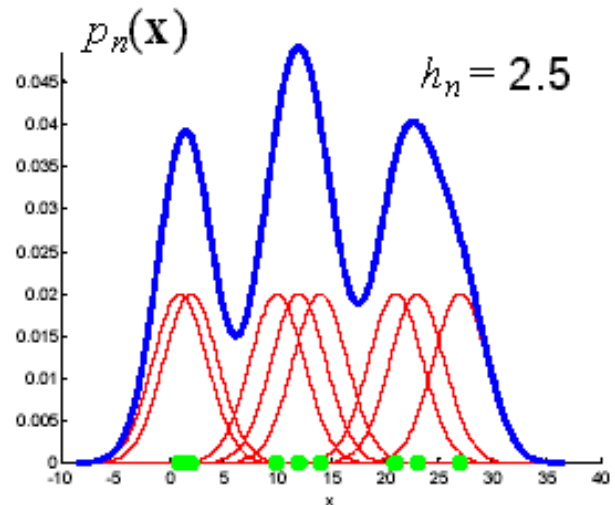
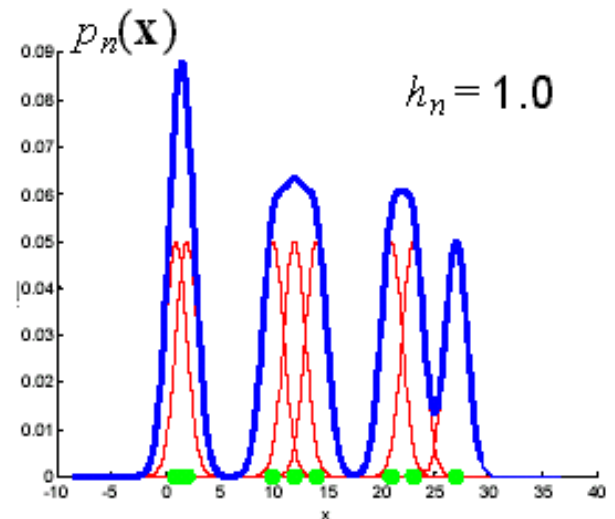
# Non-Parametric Density Estimation



NON-PARAMETRIC DENSITY ESTIMATION



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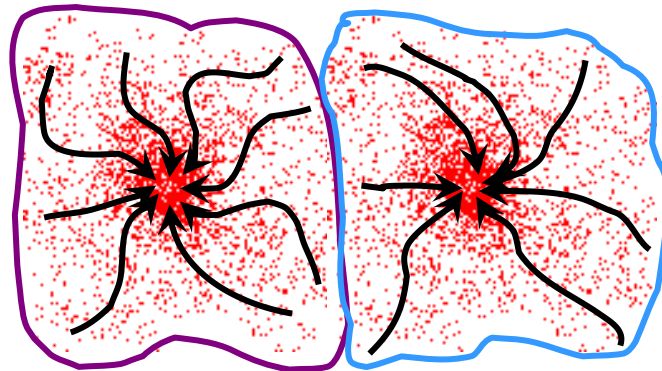
# Mean Shift Operation

- In the mean shift procedure, we obtain not the density  $f(x)$ , but its gradient  $\nabla f(x)$
- Clustering
  - Record the moving trajectory of each point
  - All points leading to a mode form a cluster
- A faster approach
  - Randomly subsample input points
  - Keep track of the temporal evolution of each point.
  - Classify the remaining points based on the nearest evolution path

# Clustering

Cluster : All data points in the *attraction basin* of a mode

Attraction basin : the region for which all trajectories lead to the same mode

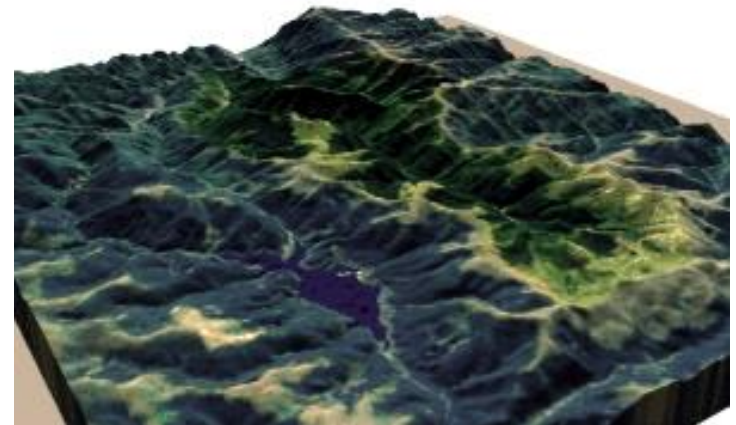
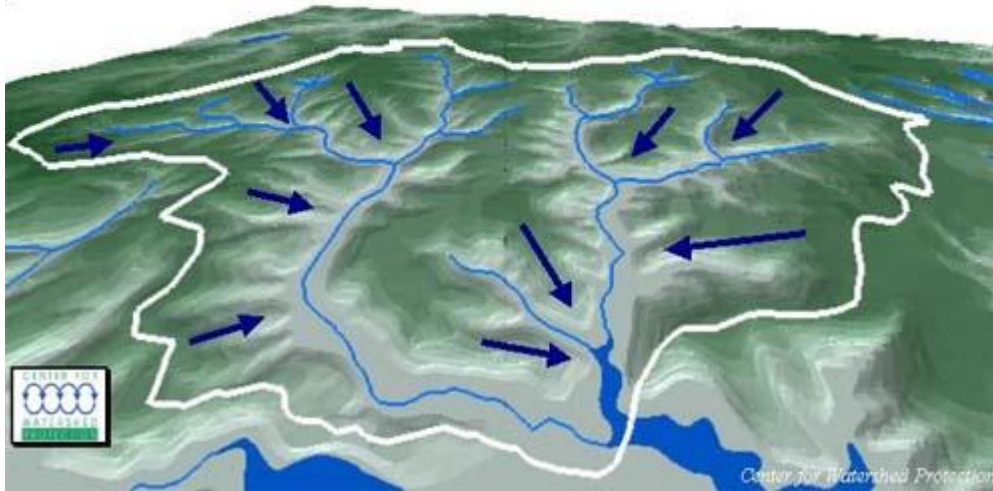




# Drainage Basin (Watershed)

## What Is a Watershed?

A watershed is the area of land that drains to a particular point along a stream



Râul Latorița, afluent al Lotrului  
(bazinul hidrografic)



# Segmentation

Example





# Segmentation

Example



## Supplemental Materials

# Sequential Clique Optimization for Video Object Segmentation

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