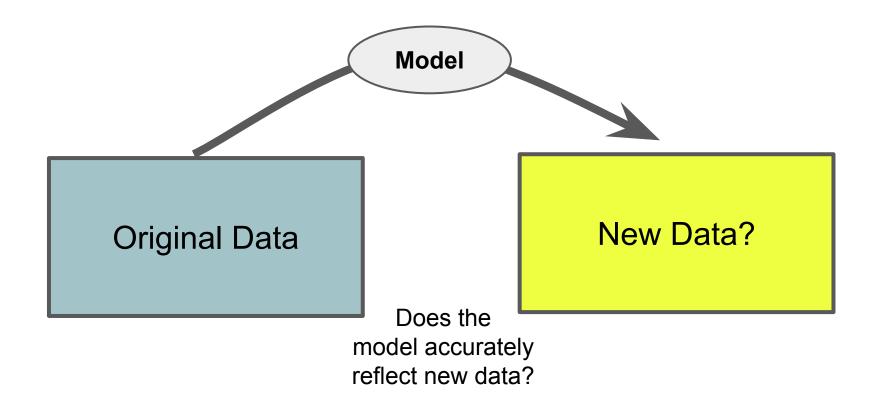
# Clustering and Dimensionality Reduction

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Expected value of y (something we are trying to predict) based on X (our features or "evidence" for what y should be)

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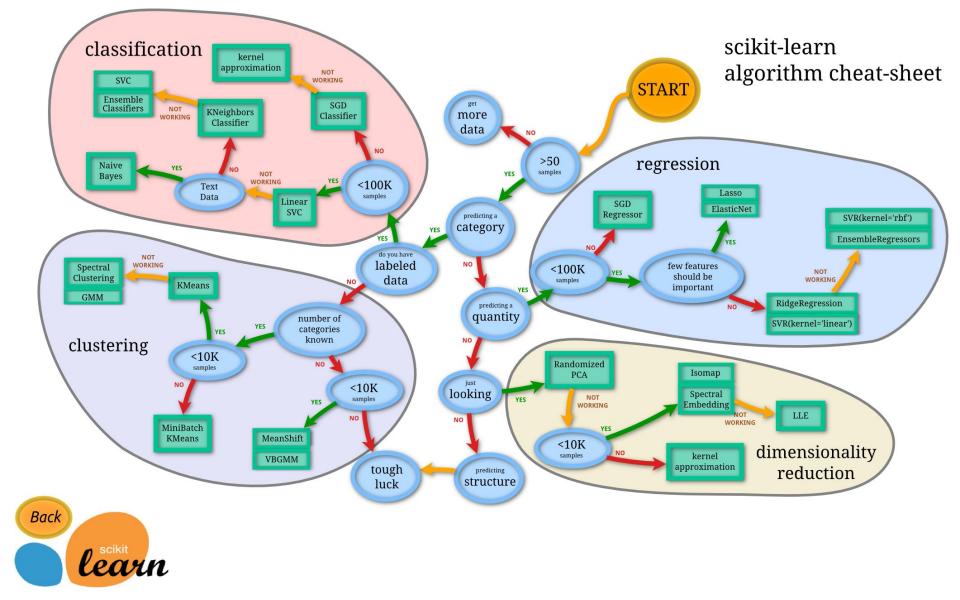
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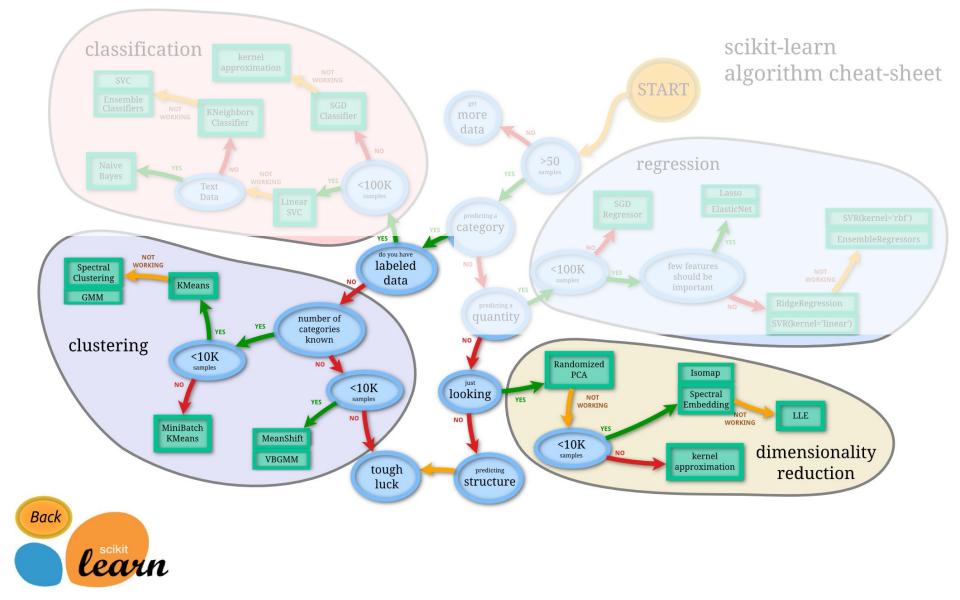
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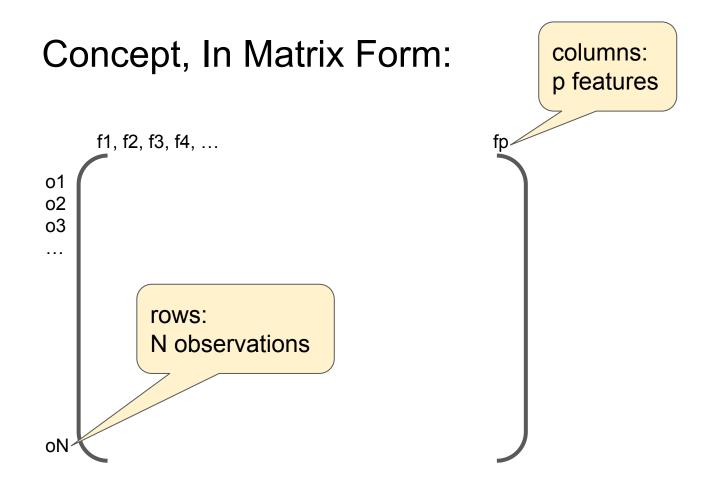
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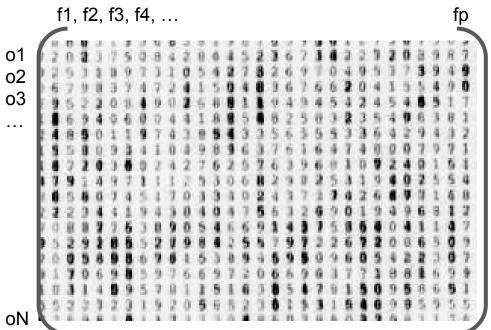
- No outcome to predict
- Goal: Infer properties of X
- without a supervised loss function.

- Often larger data.
- Don't need to worry about conditioning on another variable.

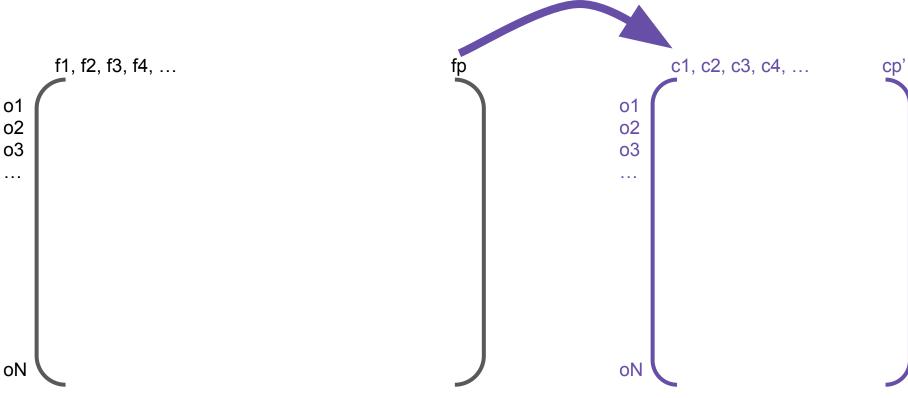




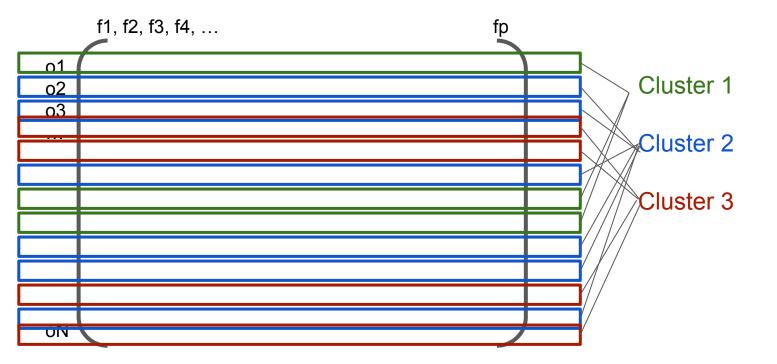




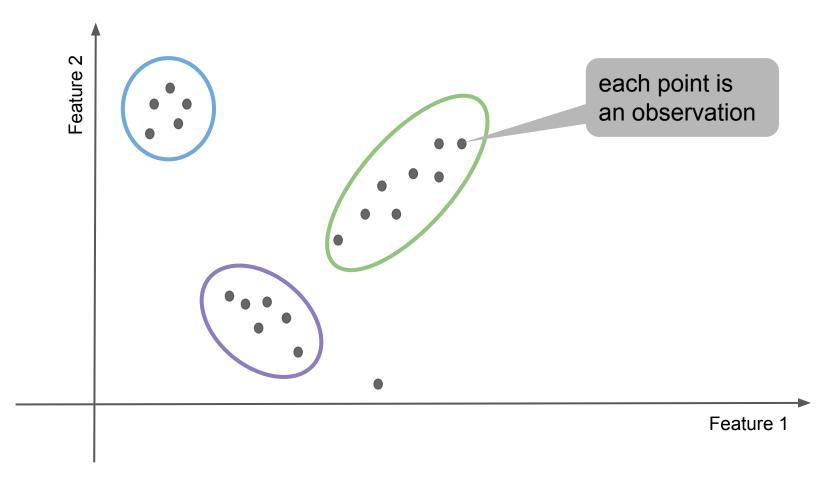
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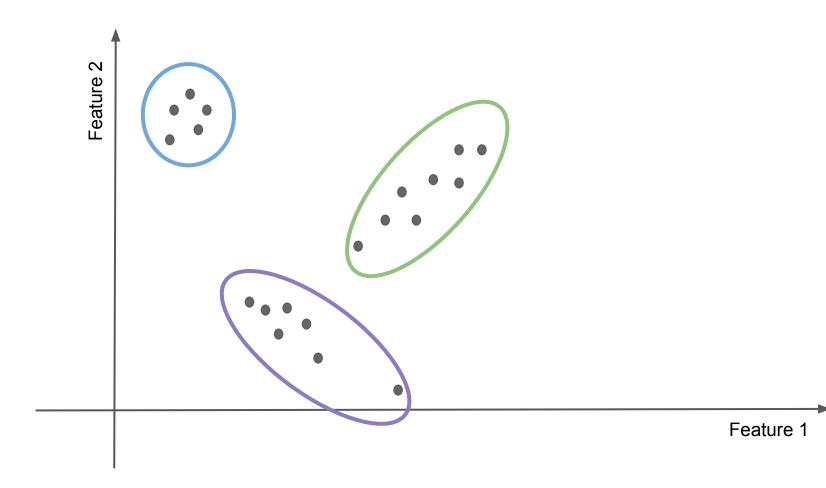
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Typical formalization:

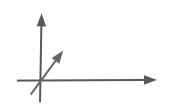
Given:

- set of points
- distance metric (Euclidean, cosine, etc...)
- number of clusters (not always provided)

Do: Group observations together that are similar. Ideally,

- Members of same cluster are the "same".
- Members of different clusters are "different".

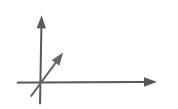
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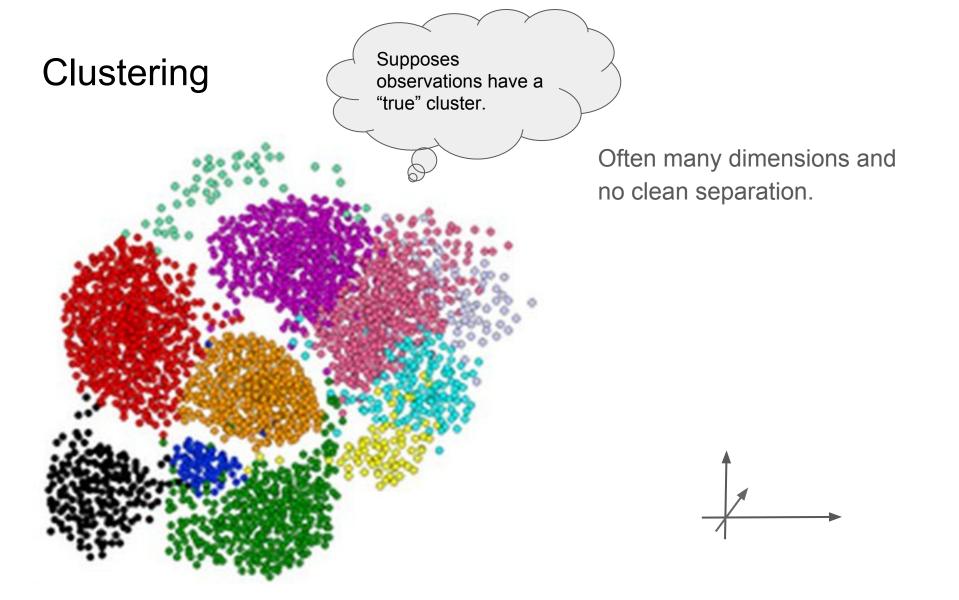


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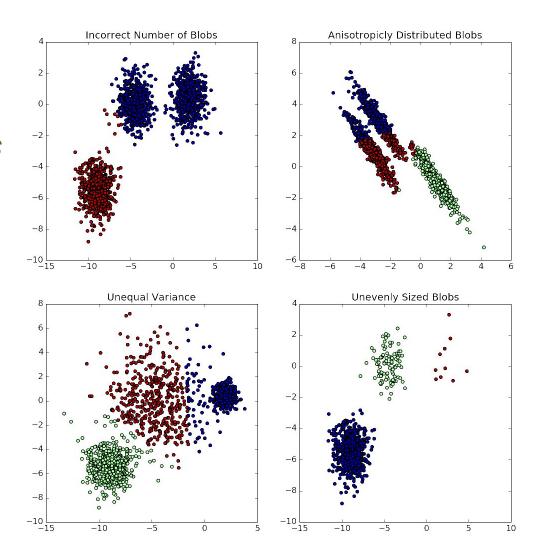
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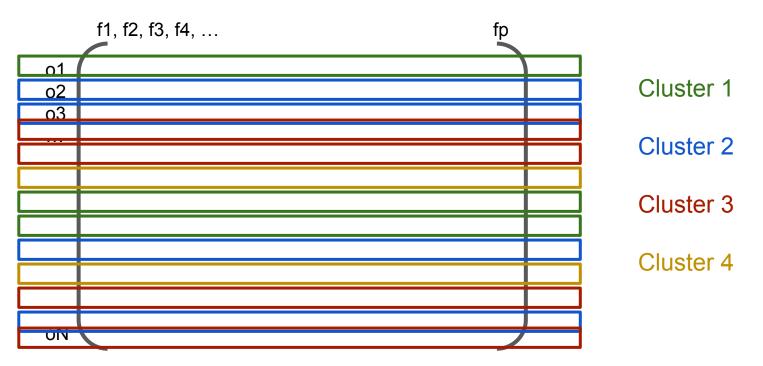
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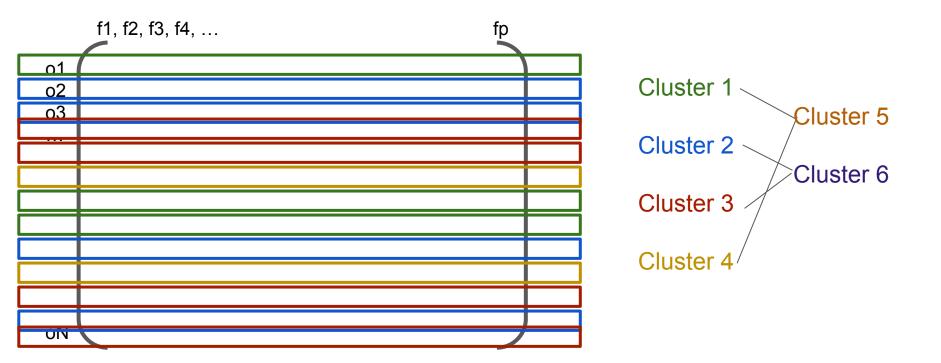


### The Curse of Dimensionality

Problems with high-dimensional spaces:

- 1. All points (i.e. observations) are nearly equally far apart.
- The angle between vectors are almost always 90 degrees (i.e. they are orthogonal).

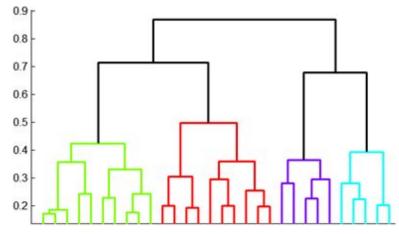




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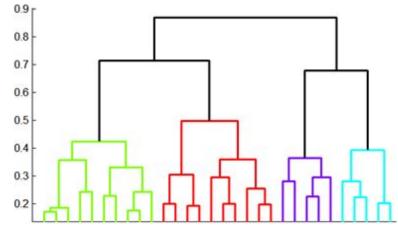
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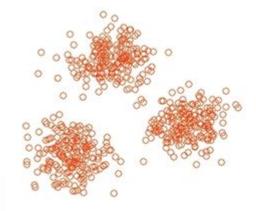
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## Regular K-Means is "Point assignment clustering":

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- Points belong to "nearest" cluster

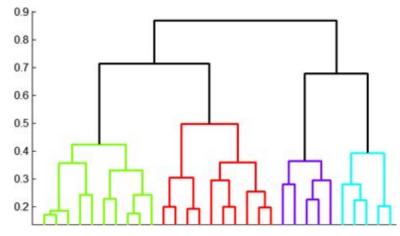
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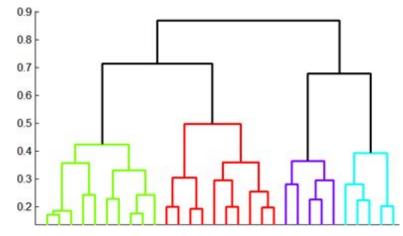
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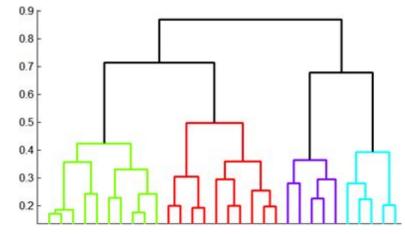
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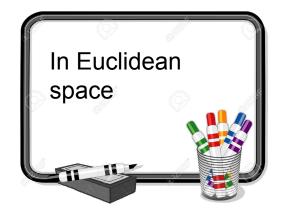
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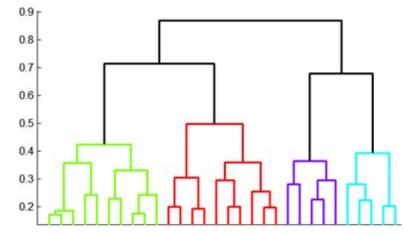
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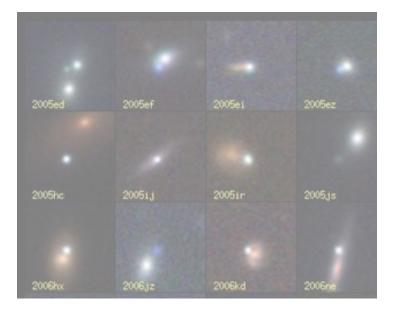


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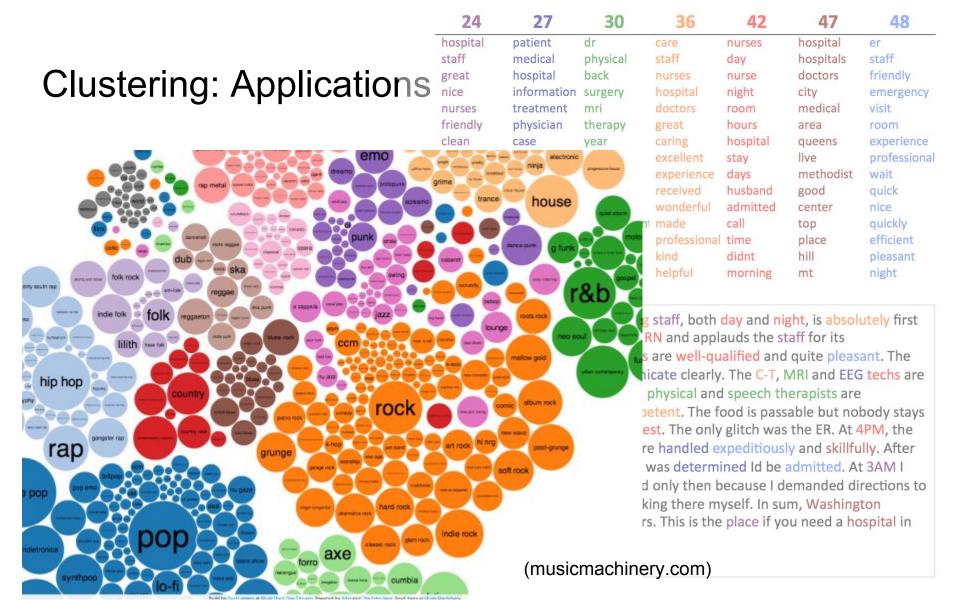
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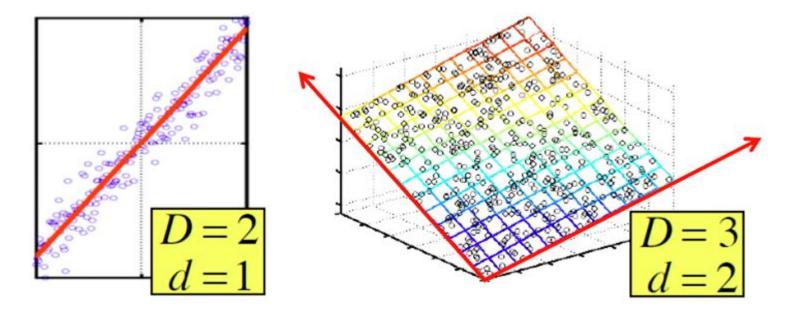
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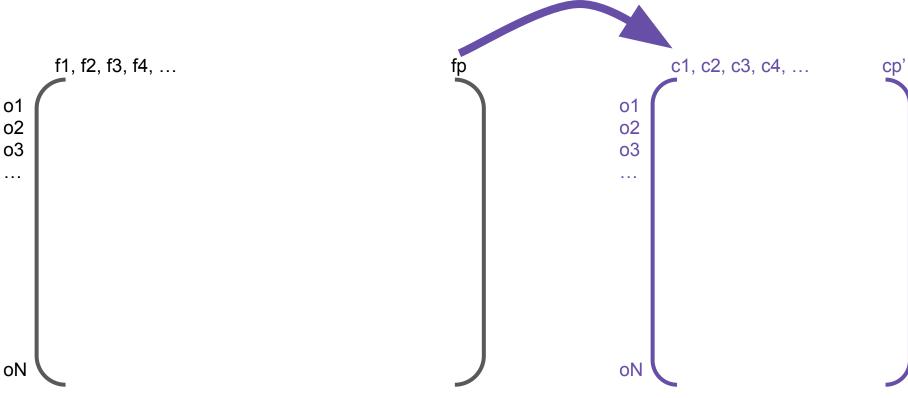


#### Concept: Dimensionality Reduction in 3-D, 2-D, and 1-D



Data (or, at least, what we want from the data) may be accurately represented with less dimensions.

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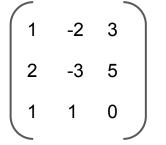


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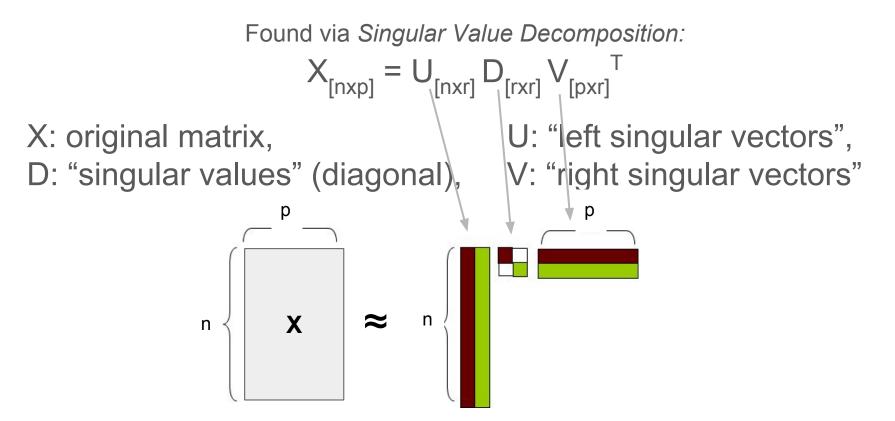
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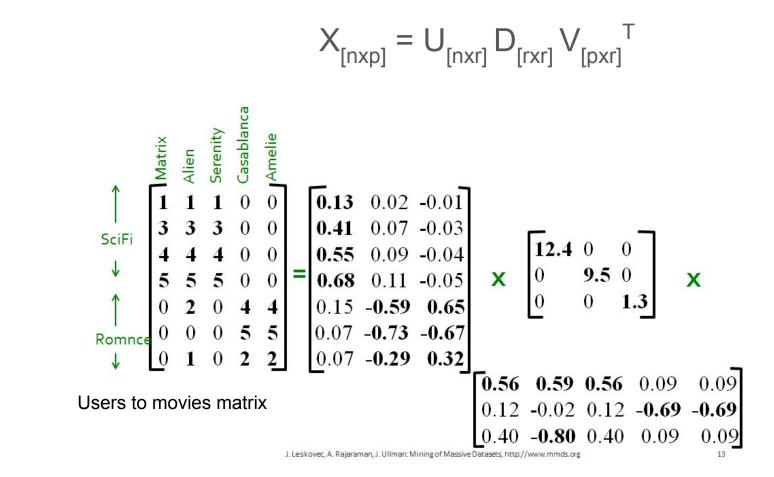
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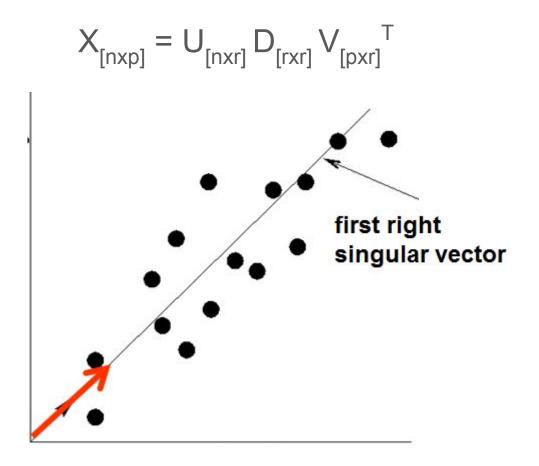
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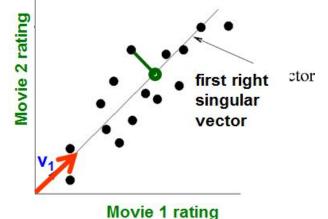






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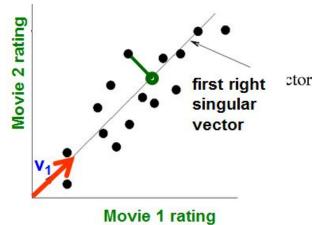
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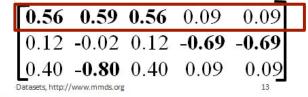
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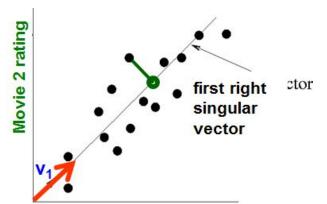
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Projection (dimensionality reduced space) in 3 dimensions:  $(U_{[nx3]} D_{[3x3]} V_{[px3]}^{T})$ 

To reduce features in new dataset:

$$X_{new} V = X_{new\_small}$$

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U, D, and V are unique

D: always positive

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Can often use one to do the other with one extra step. Examples

- From Dimensionality Reduction to Clusters:
  - Use U instead of a V from SVD = mapping observations to soft clusters
  - Project based on V, Apply a threshold on U = mapping observations to clusters
  - Threshold v (or use sparse PCA) = soft clustering of **features**
- From Clusters to Dimensionality Reduction:
  - Use soft cluster ids as features