

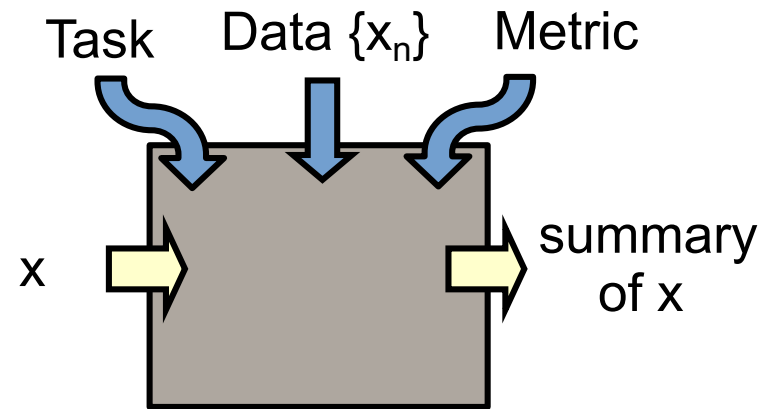
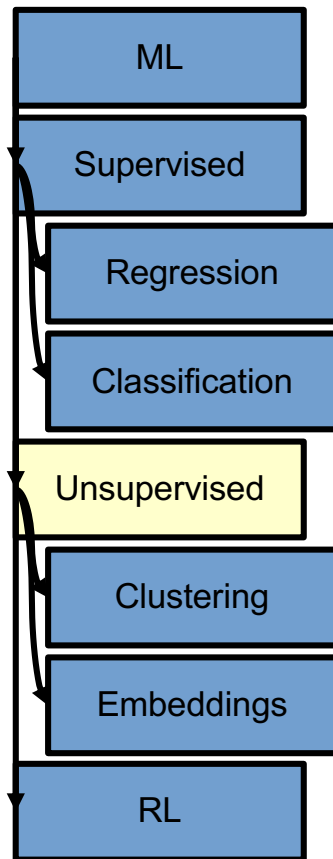
# CS181: Introduction to Machine Learning

## Lecture 14 (Mixture models)

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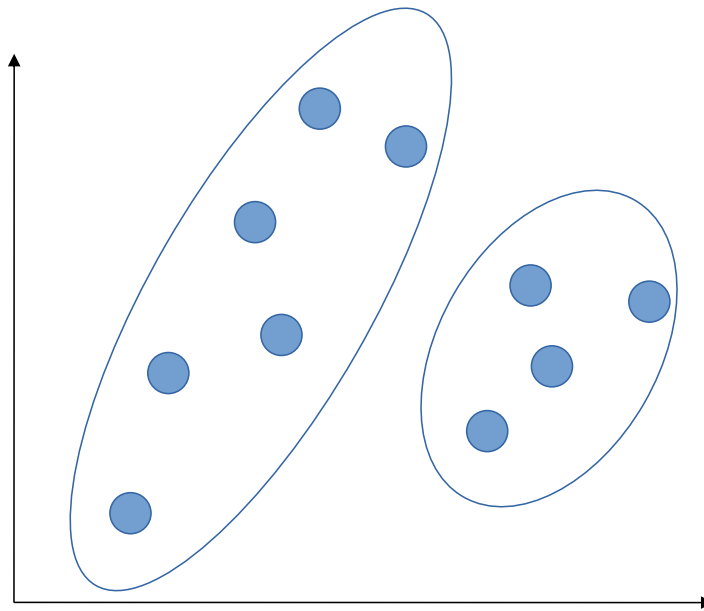
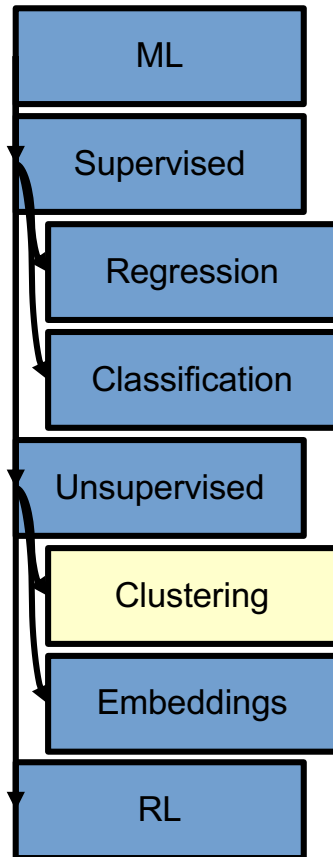
# Unsupervised Learning



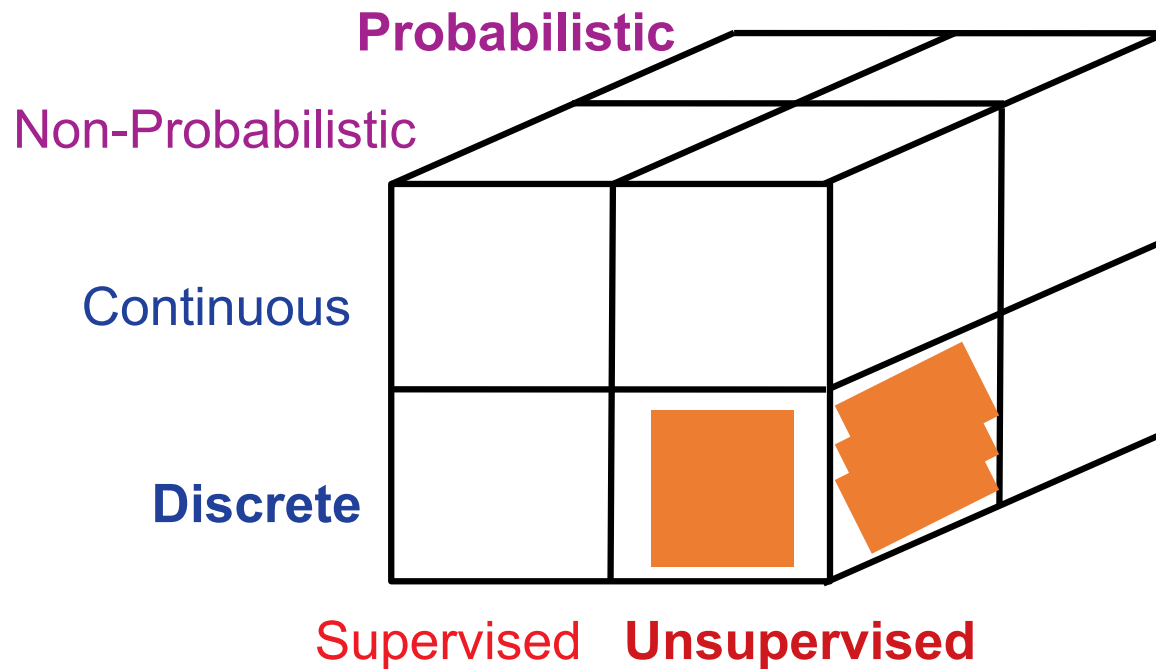
Data  $D = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N\}$

Typical goals: understand, summarize, identify concepts

# Unsupervised Learning: Clustering

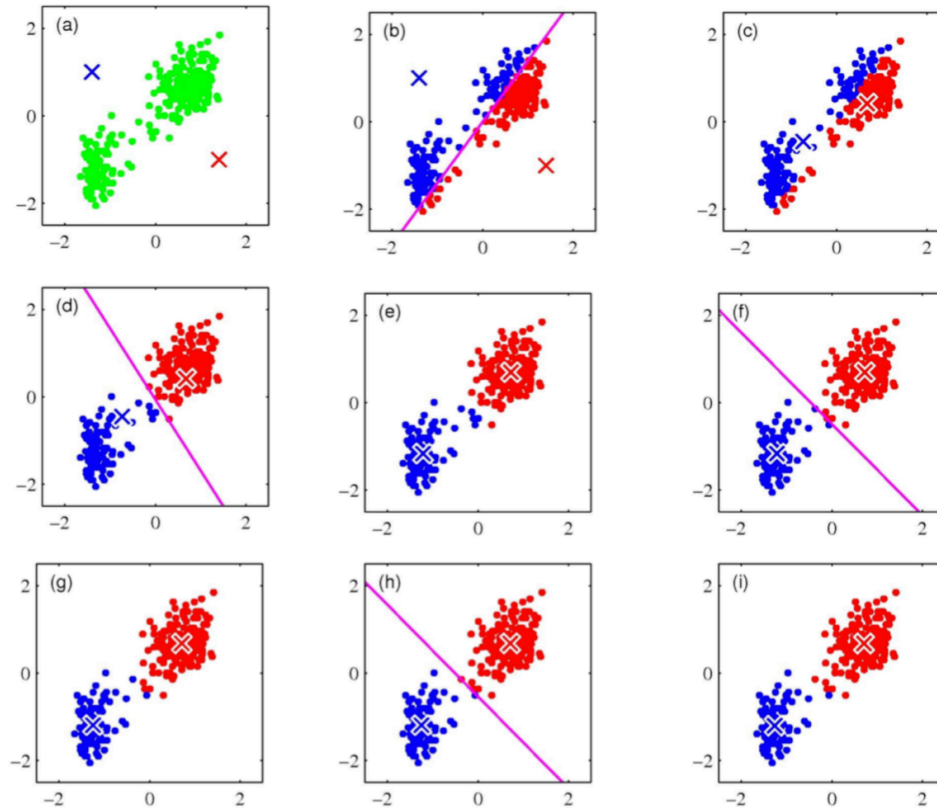
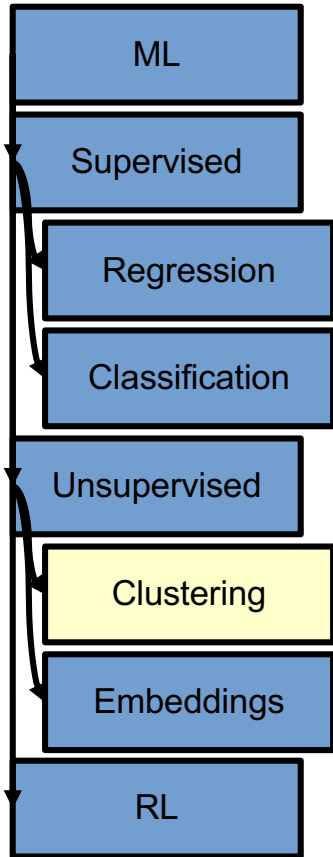


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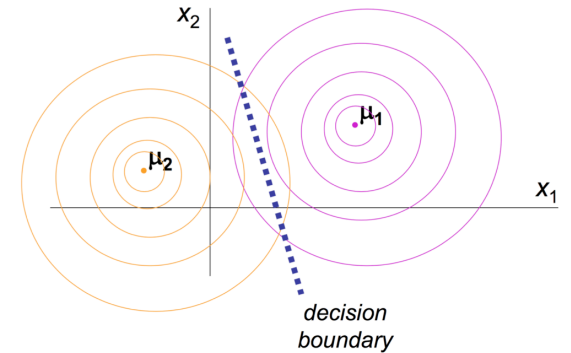


+ graphical models, reinforcement learning

# Last Class (2 of 3): K-Means

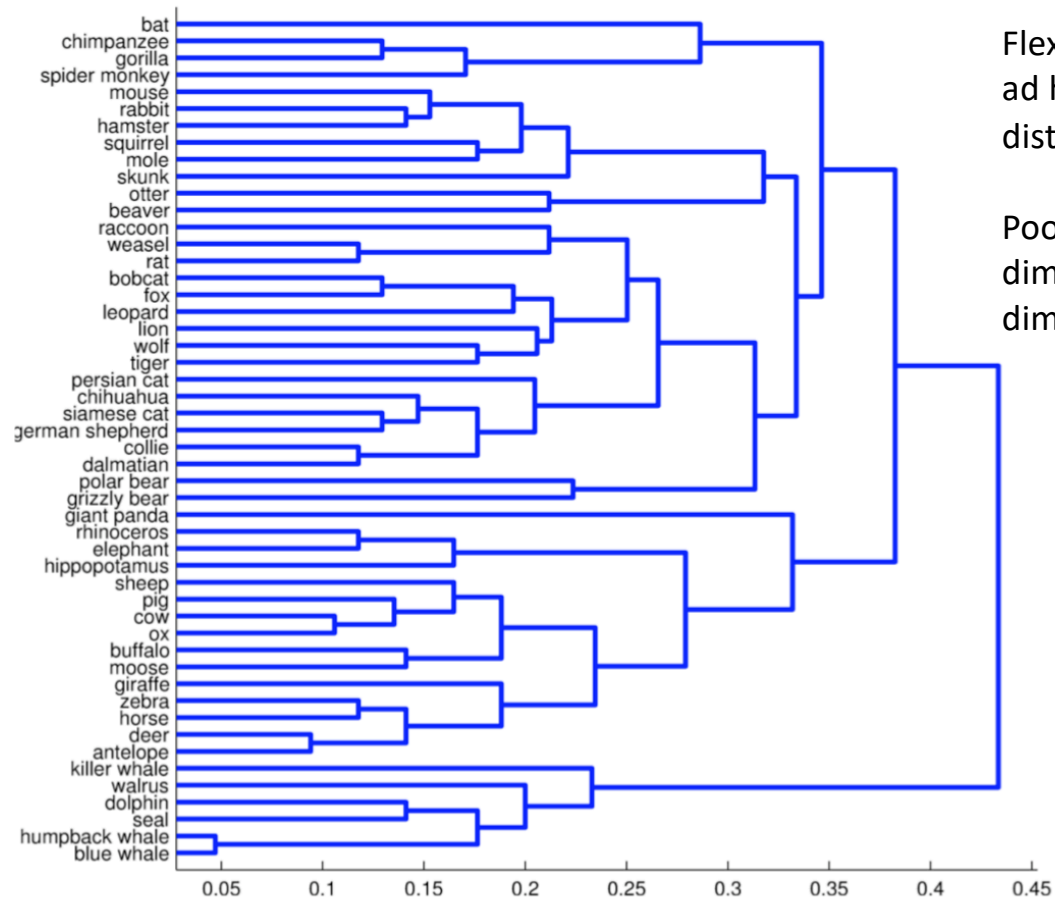
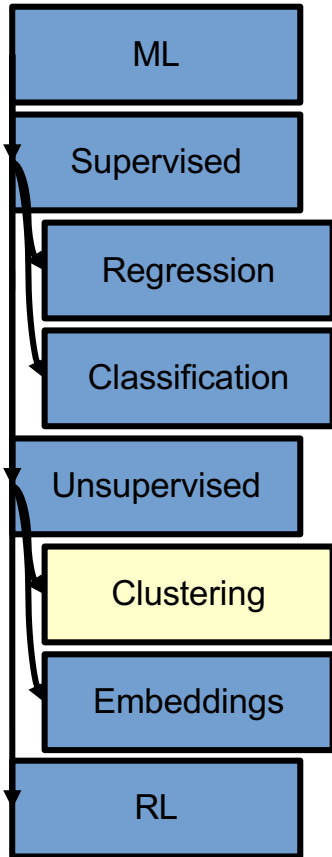


Simple, but inflexible (linear decision boundaries)



“Old Faithful” Geyser Eruptions (Bishop)

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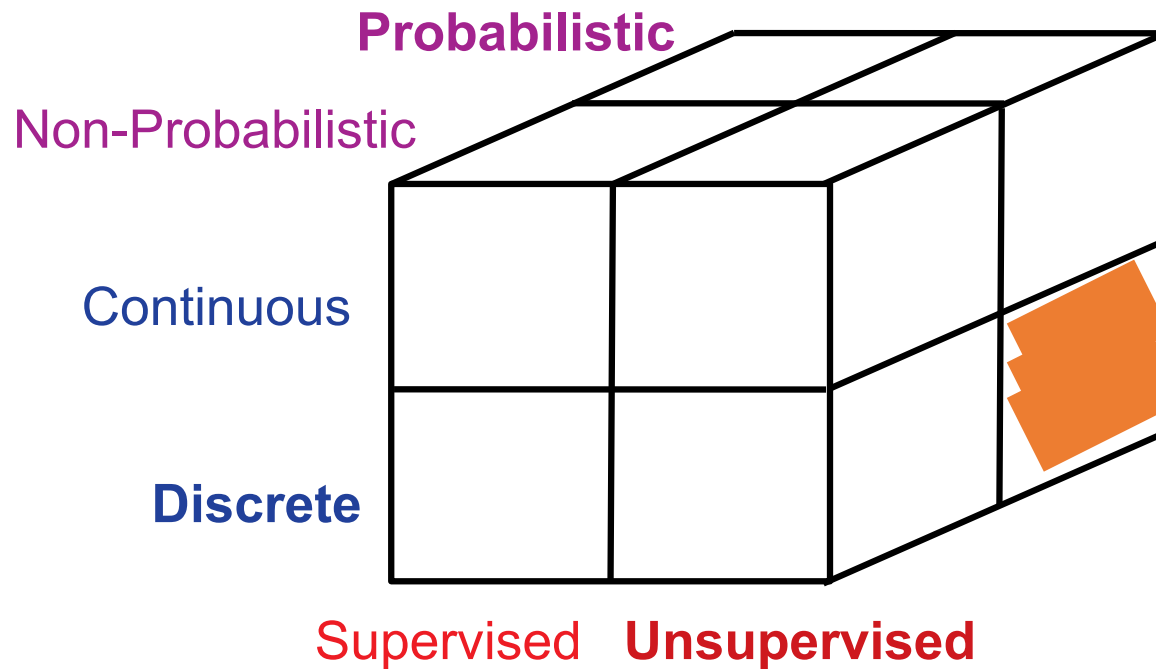


Flexible, but somewhat ad hoc (distance, linkage distance).

Poor performance in high dimensions (curse of dimensionality!)

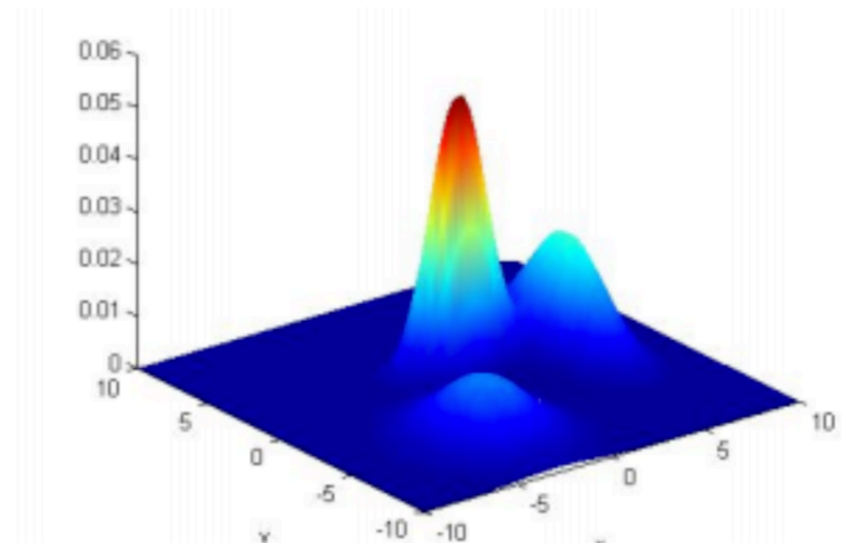
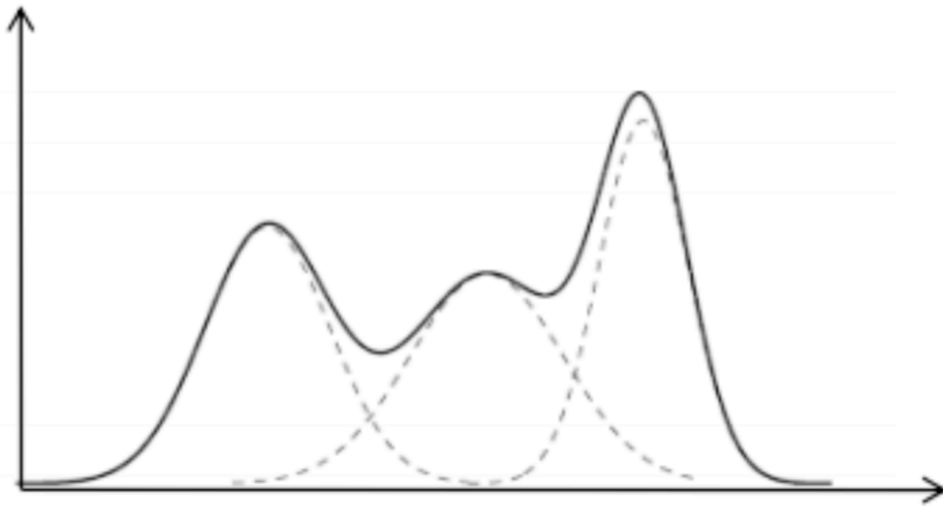
50 animals, 85 binary features (e.g., long neck, water, smelly)

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# Today (2 of 2): Model data through a mixture of components

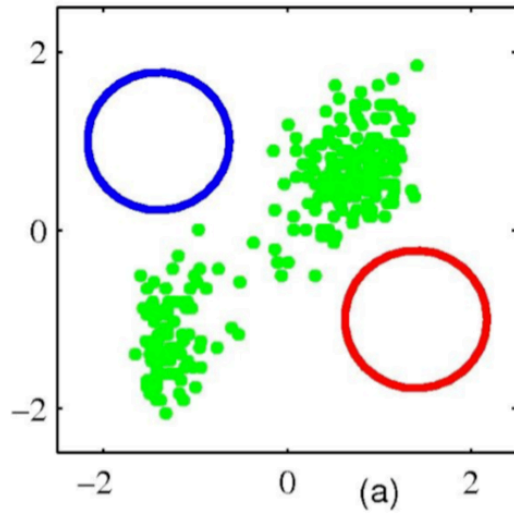






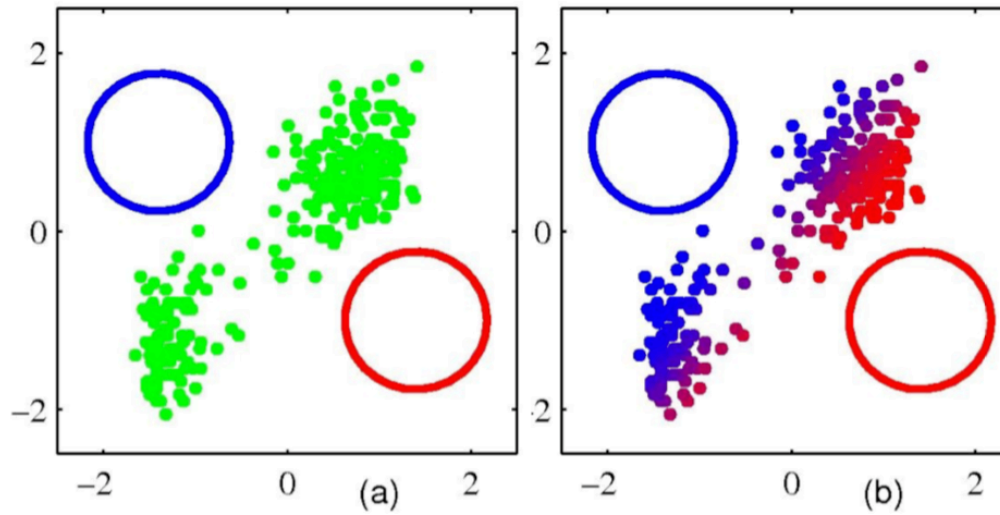
Run-through of GMM with E-M for  
estimation on the Old Faithful  
Geyser Data

*(Bishop. Old Faithful data. 1 st. dev. contours. (b) E step. (c) M step; 2, 5, 20 iterations.)*



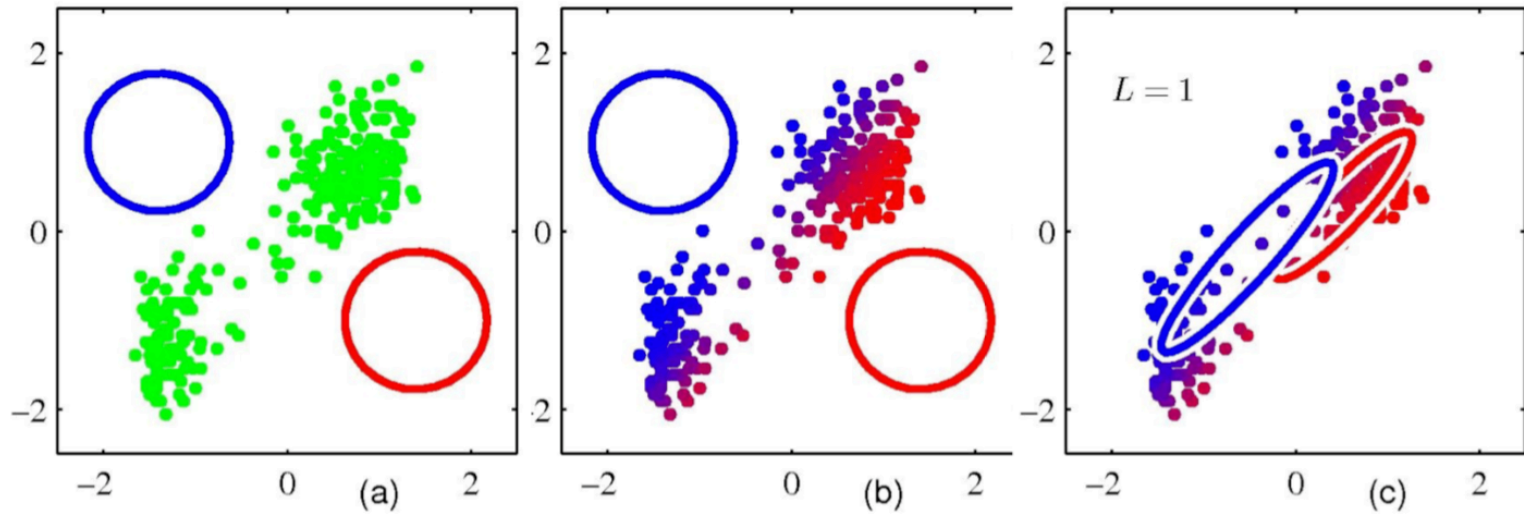
Initialization

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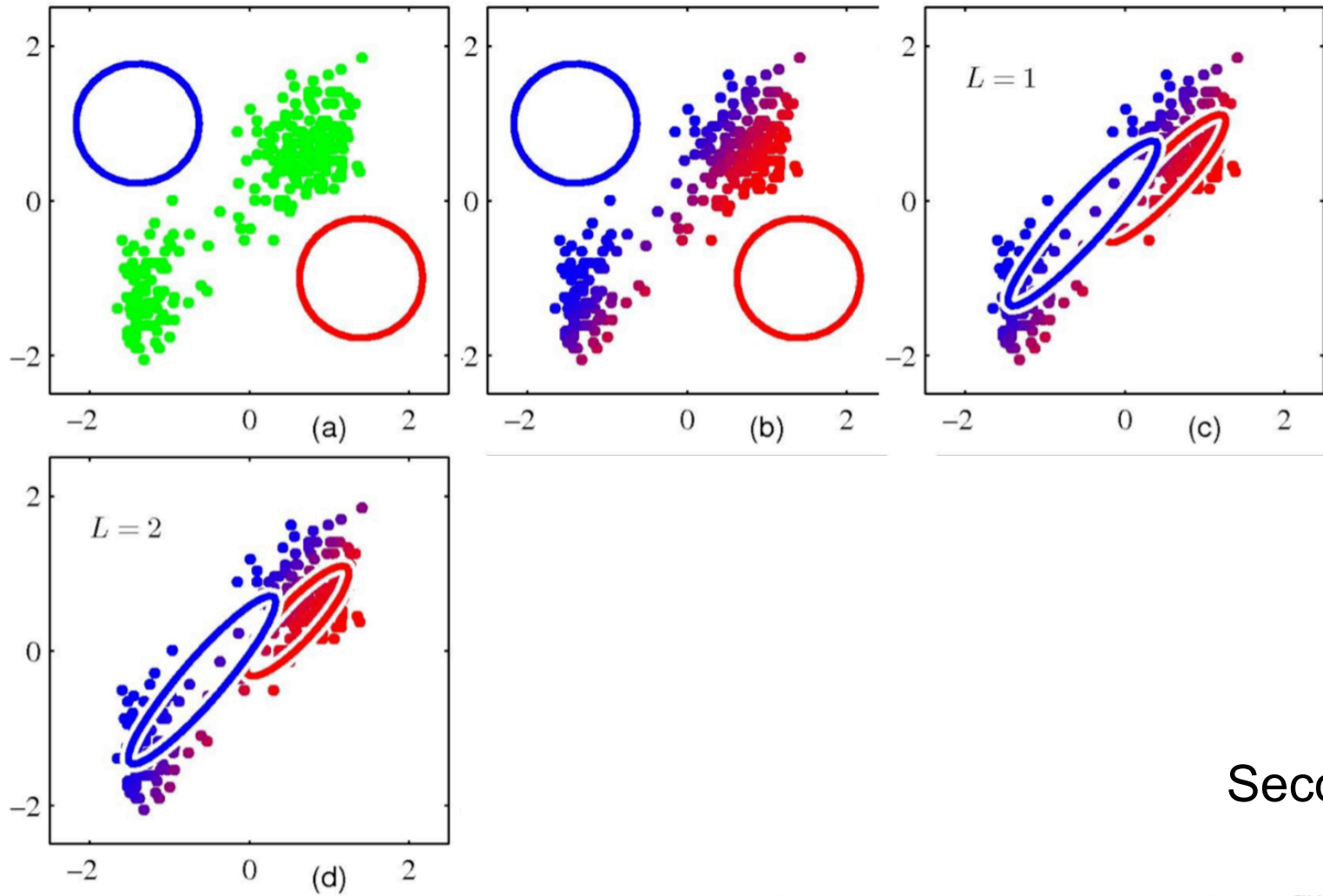
First E-Step

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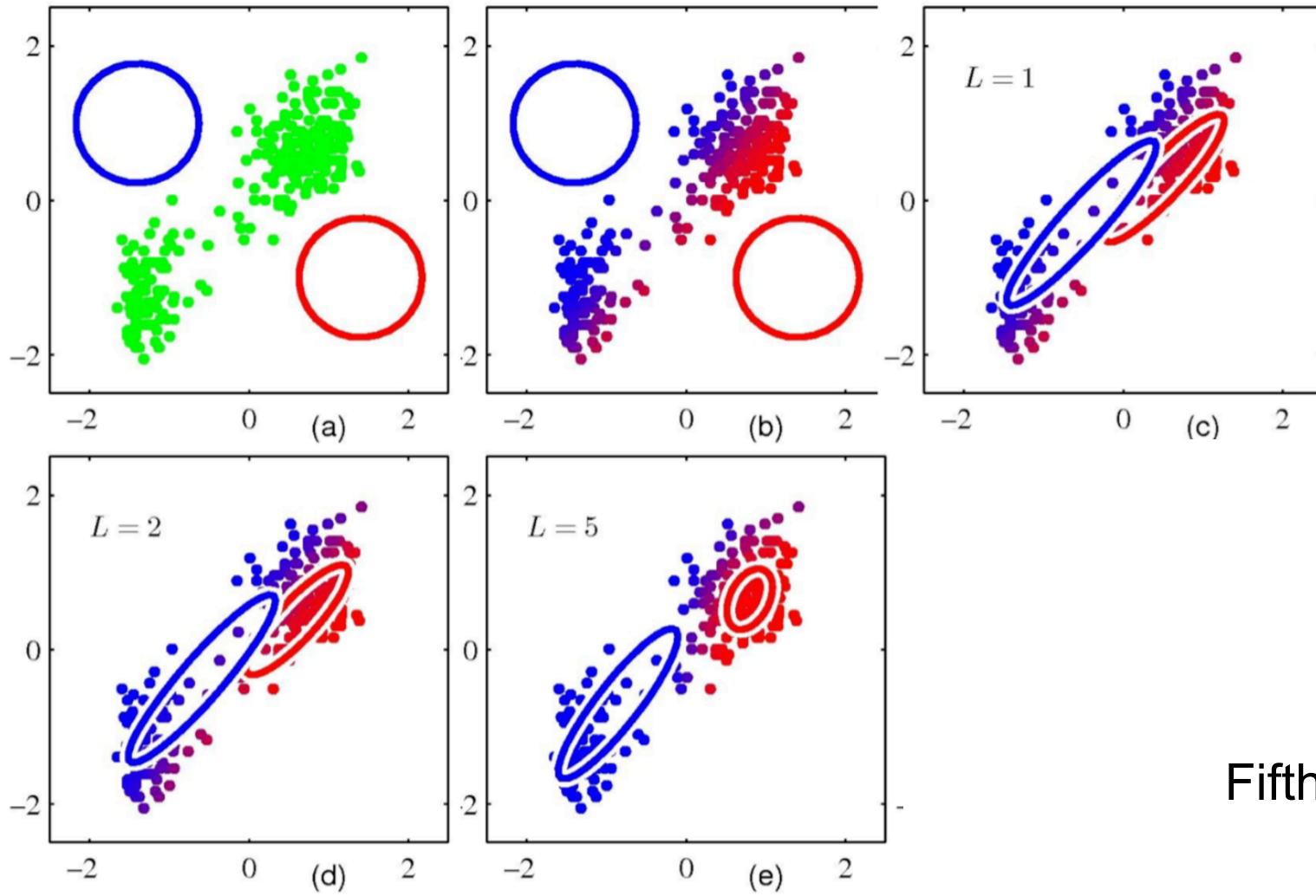
First M-step

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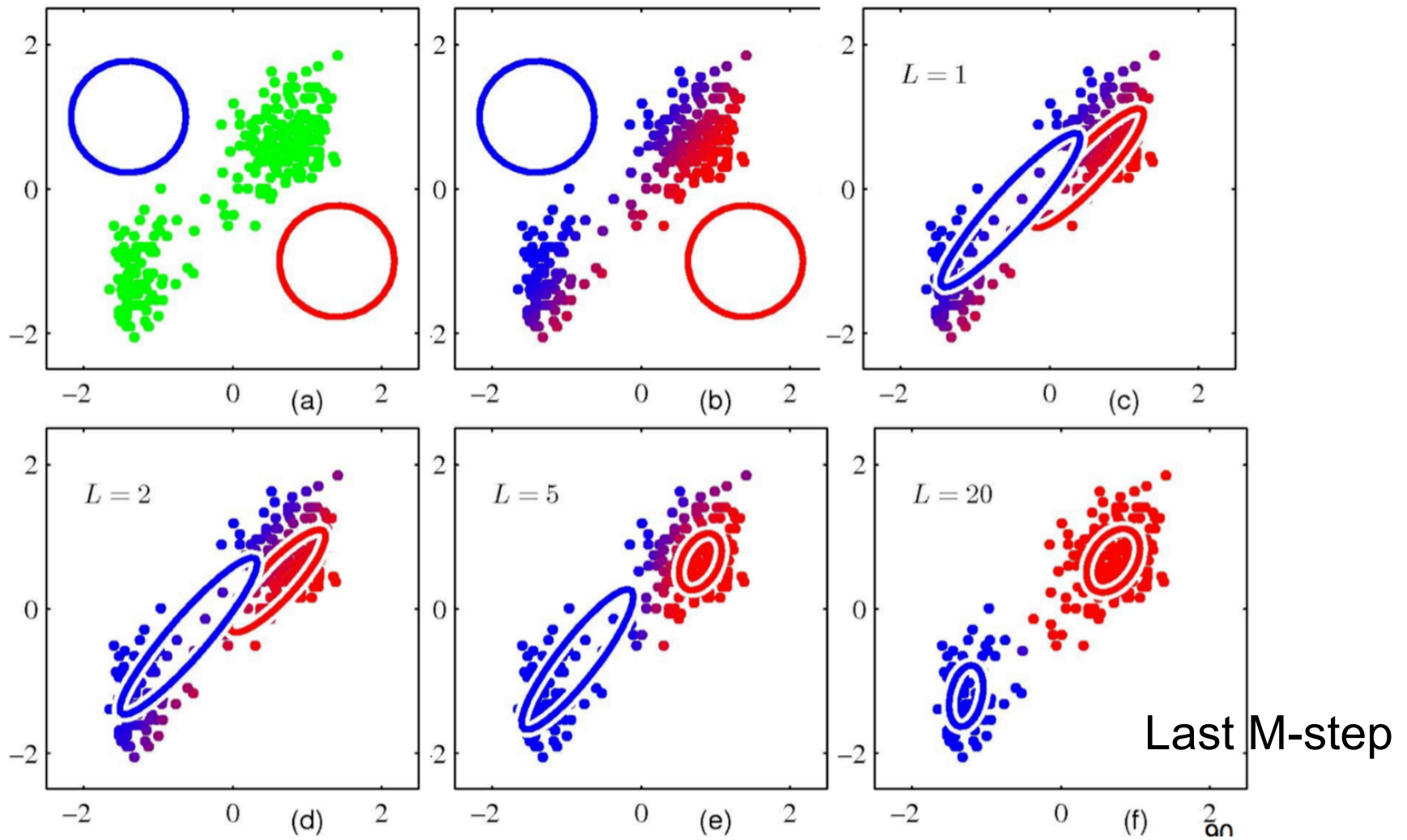
Second M-step

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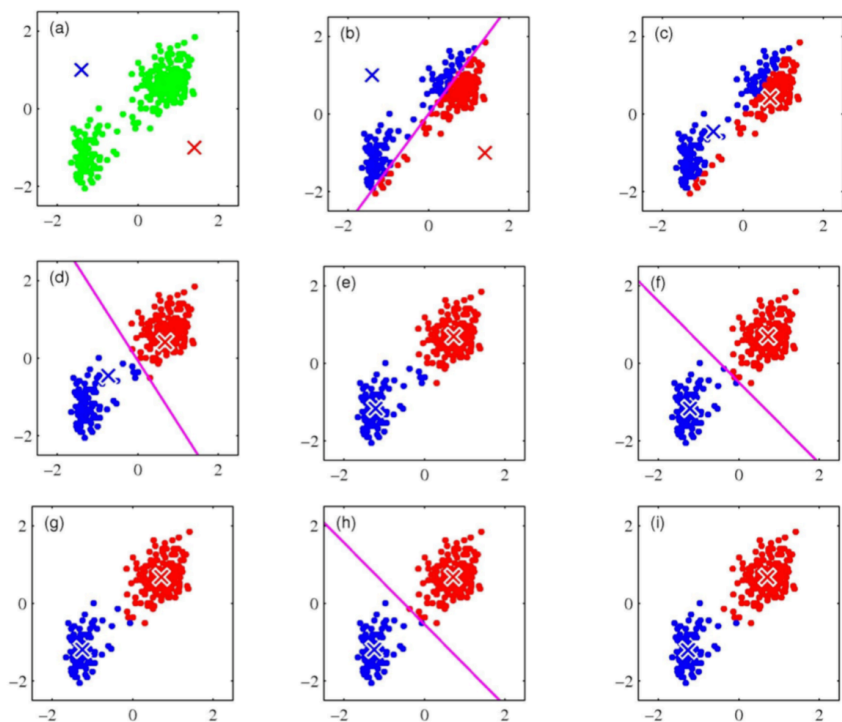
Fifth M-step

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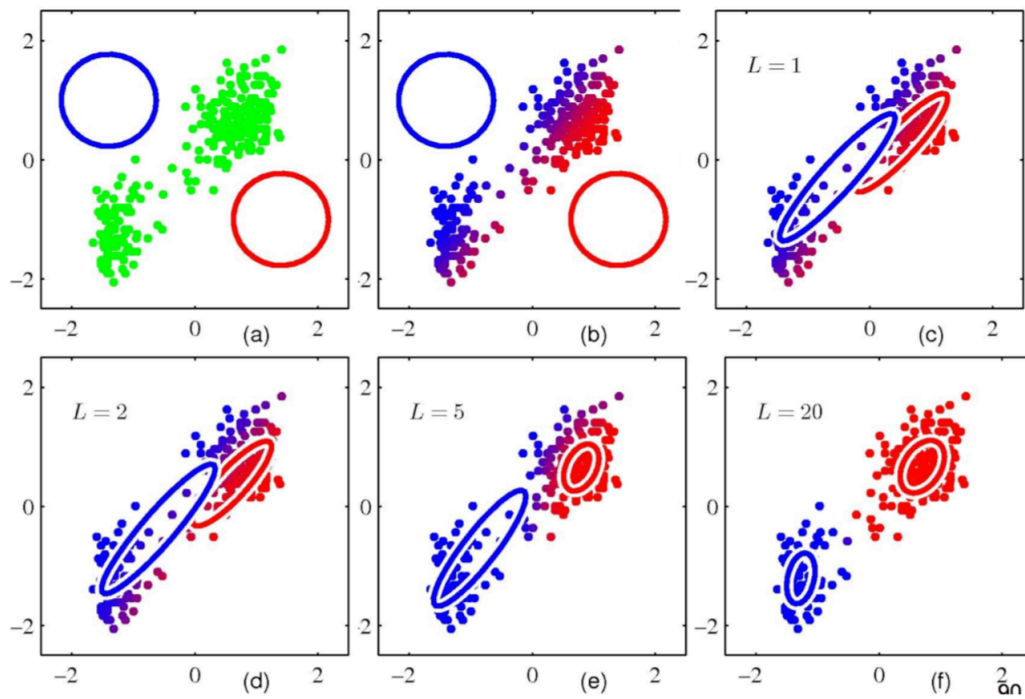




## K-Means



## GMM / E-M algorithm

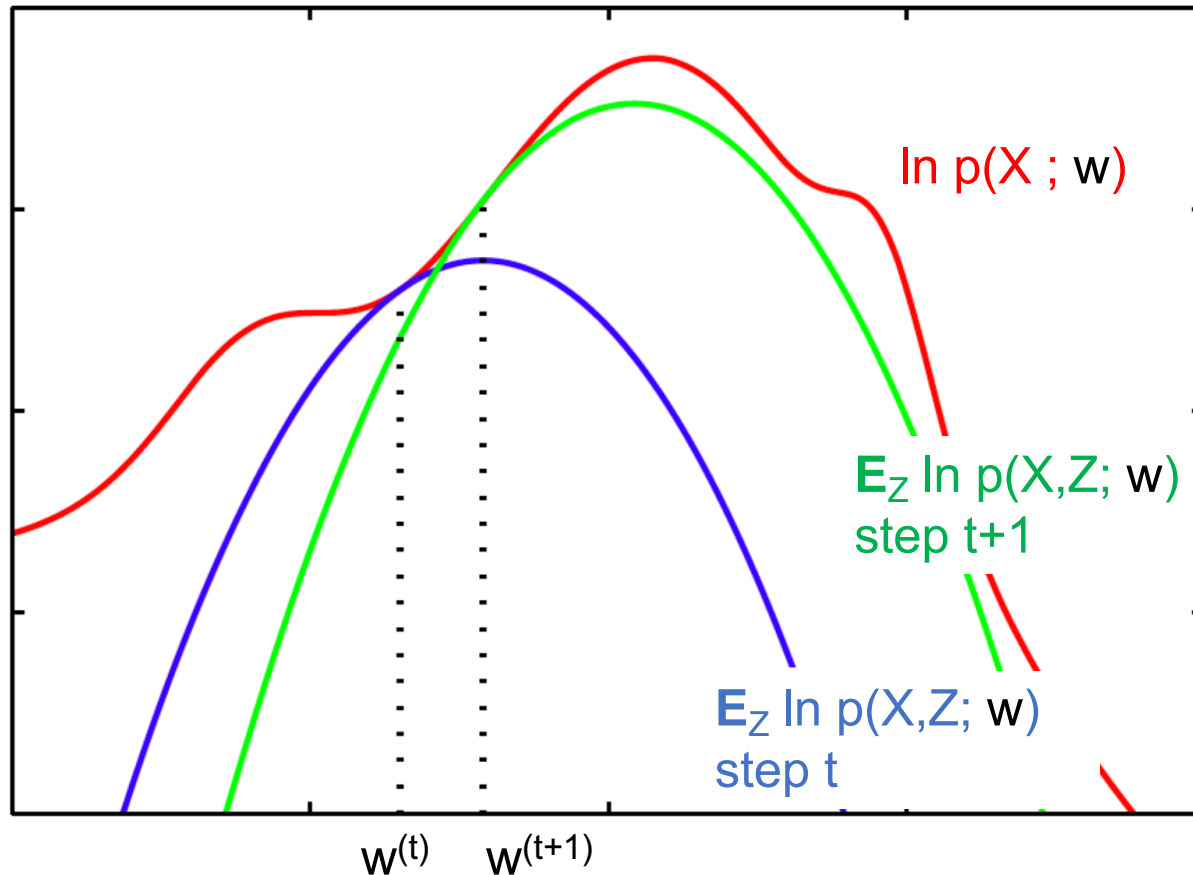


(Bishop)



# What is E-M doing? (\*advanced, and not covered in lecture)

(Zemel, Urtasun, Fidler)



$p(X; w)$  is non-convex

At each iteration  $t$

- $E_Z[ \cdot ]$  is a lower bound on  $\ln p(X; w)$ , and convex
- E-step: choose  $q$  s.t.  $E_Z[ \cdot ] = p(X; w)$  (“pull up to likelihood curve”)
- M-step: optimize lower bound