

DAY 4

Intelligent Audio Systems: A review of the foundations and applications of semantic audio analysis and music information retrieval



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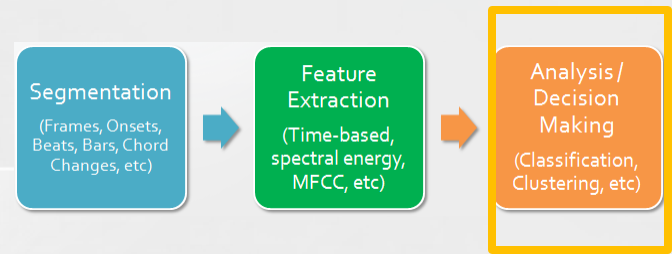
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WIKI REFERENCES...



Review from Day 3

- What does it mean to “wrap” a chromagram?
- Why did we use 36 bins per octave in yesterday’s lab?
- True or false – it’s important to carefully chose meaningful features
- What are the 3 major components of a MIR system?
- How did the lab go?



ANALYSIS AND DECISION MAKING: GMMS

Mixture Models (GMM)

- K-means = hard clusters.
- GMM = soft clusters.

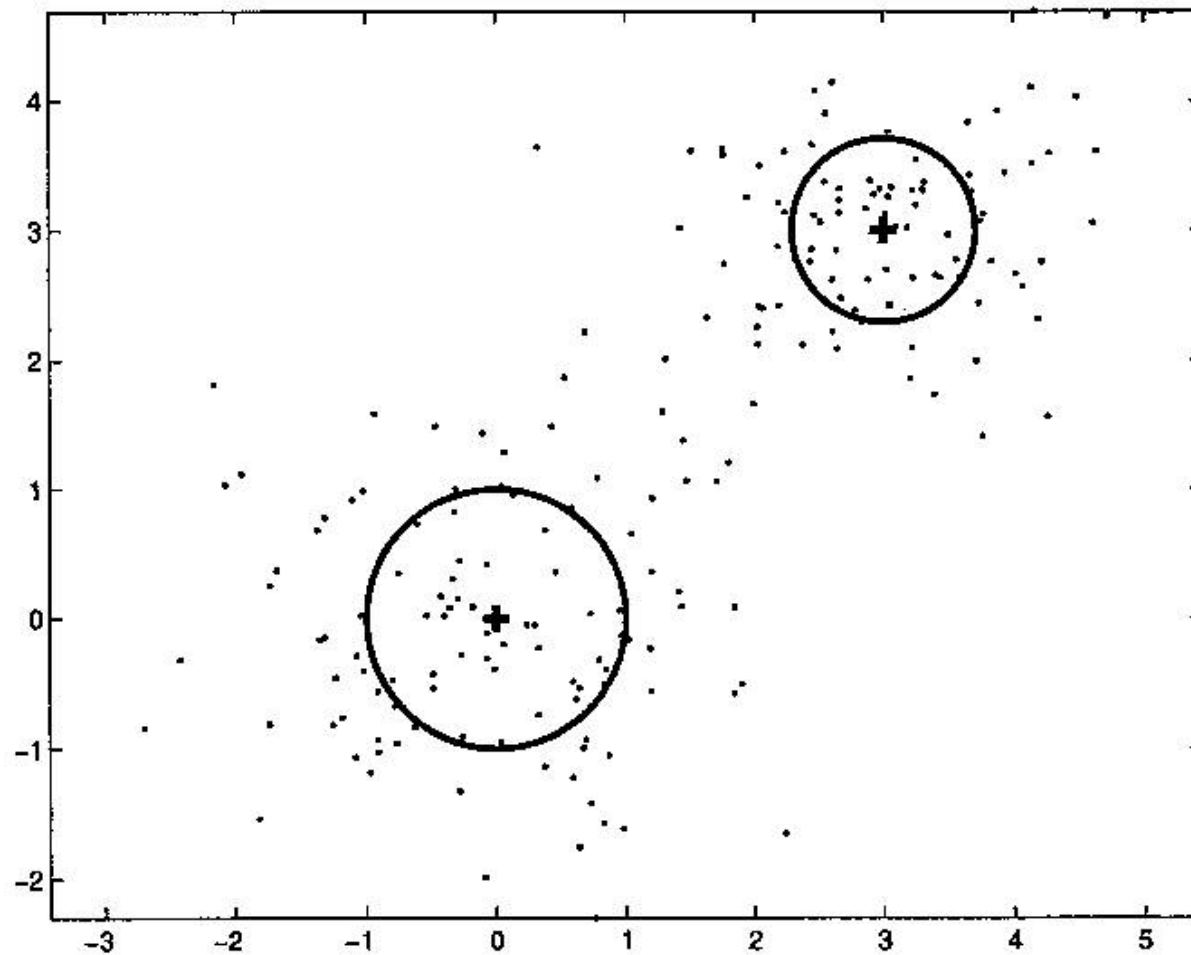


Fig. 3.1. Spherical covariance mixture model. Sampled data (*dots*), centres (*crosses*) and one standard deviation error bars (*lines*).

Mixture Models (GMM)

- GMM is good because:
 1. Can approximate any pdf with enough components
 2. EM makes it easy to find components parameters
 - EM - the means and variances adapt to fit the data as well as possible
 3. Compresses data considerably
- Can make softer decisions (decide further downstream given additional information)



GMM Parameters

Input

- Number of components (Gaussians)
 - e.g., 3
- Mixture coefficients (sum = 1)
 - e.g., [0.5 0.2 0.3]
 - “Priors” or “Prior probabilities”
 - Priors are “the *original* probability that each point came from a given mixture.”
 - “A prior is often the purely subjective assessment of an experienced expert.”
- Initialized centers, means, variances. (optional)

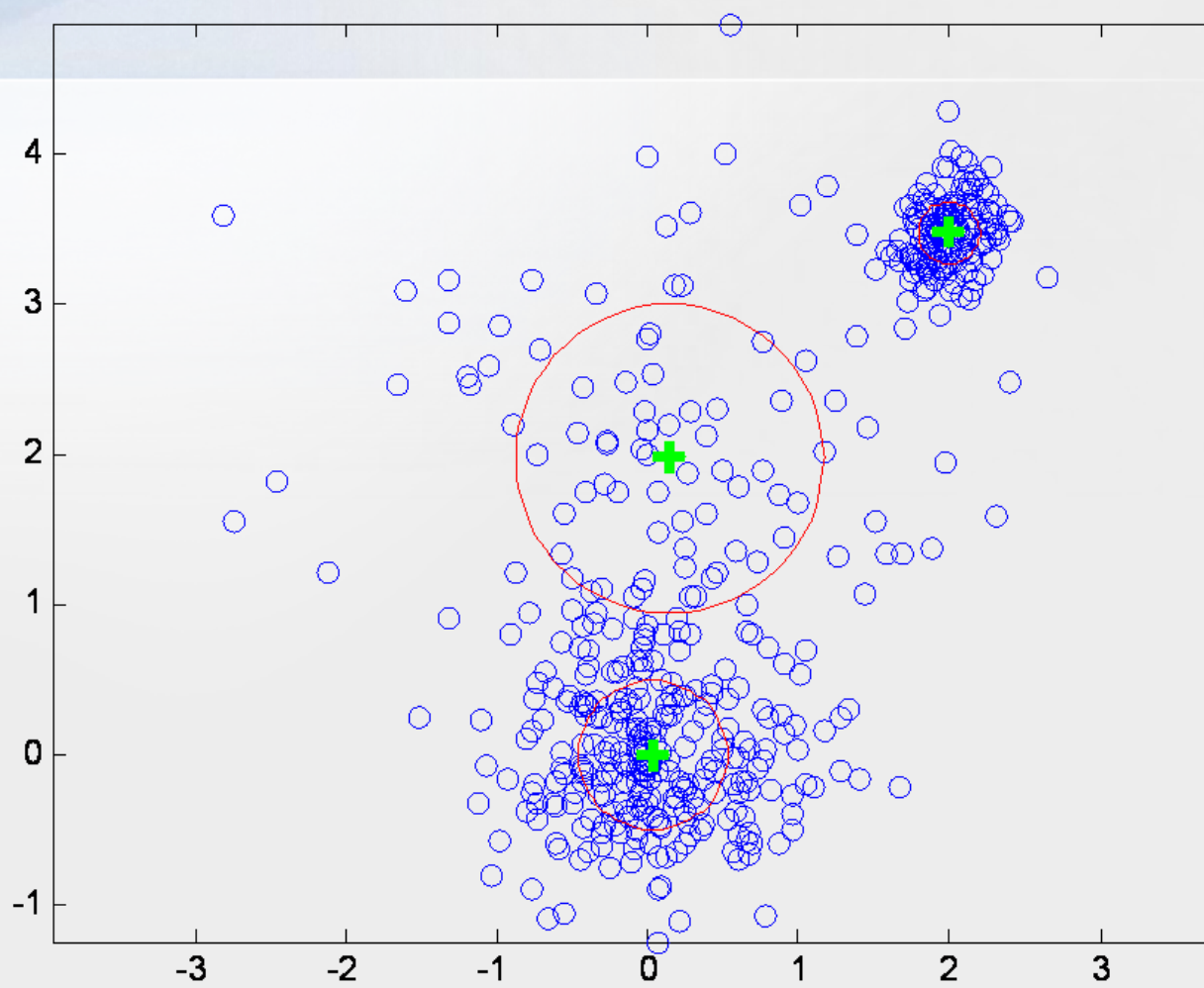
Output

- Component centers/means, variances, and mixture coeff.
- Posterior probabilities
 - “Posterior probabilities are the responsibilities which the Gaussian components have for each of the data points.”

Query

- Obtain similarity via Likelihood

Plot of data and mixture centres



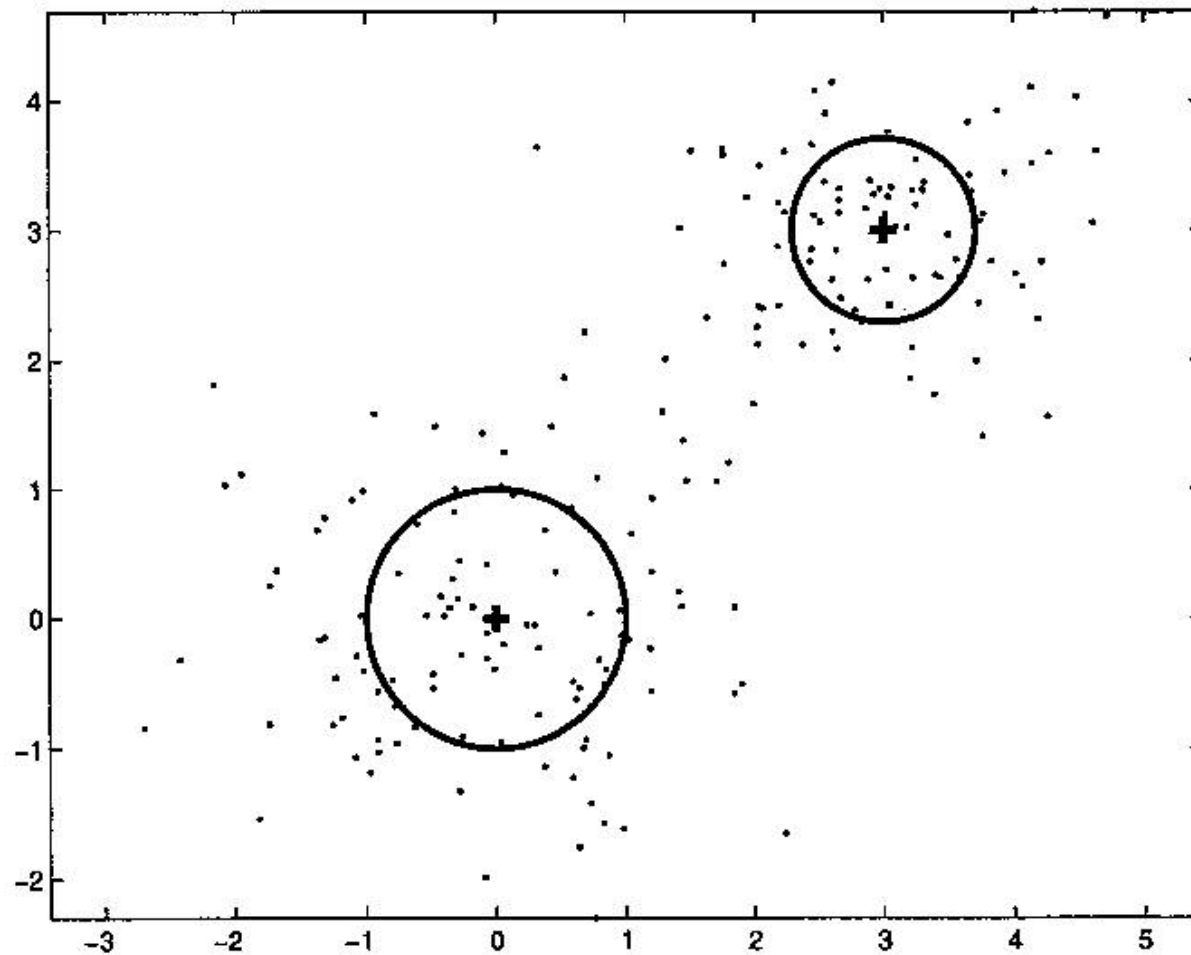
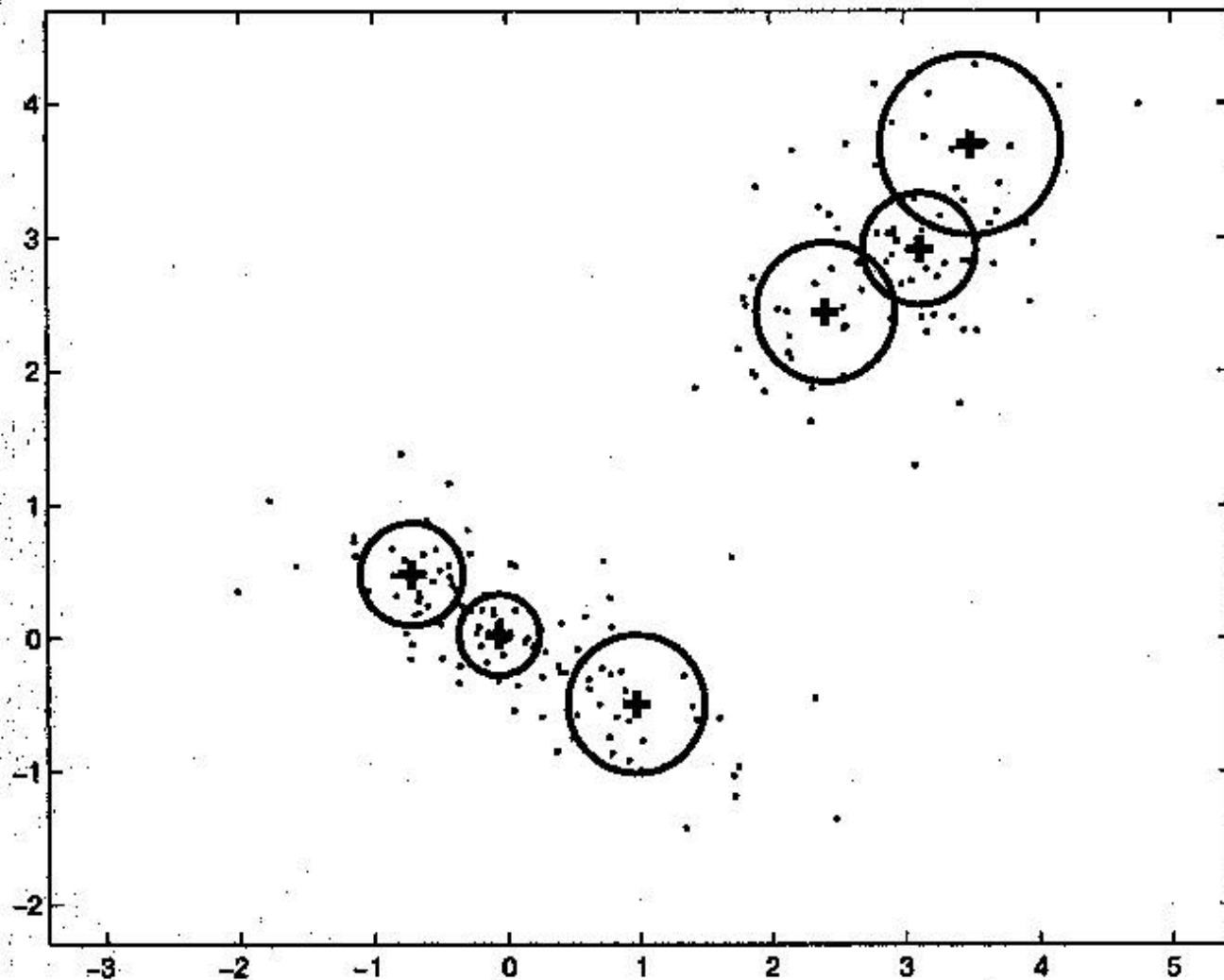


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4. Spherical covariance mixture model with six components fitted to the sampled from the full covariance two-component model in Fig. 3.3. Sampled (*dots*), centres (*crosses*) and one standard deviation error bars (*lines*).

- From Neal (2002-03)

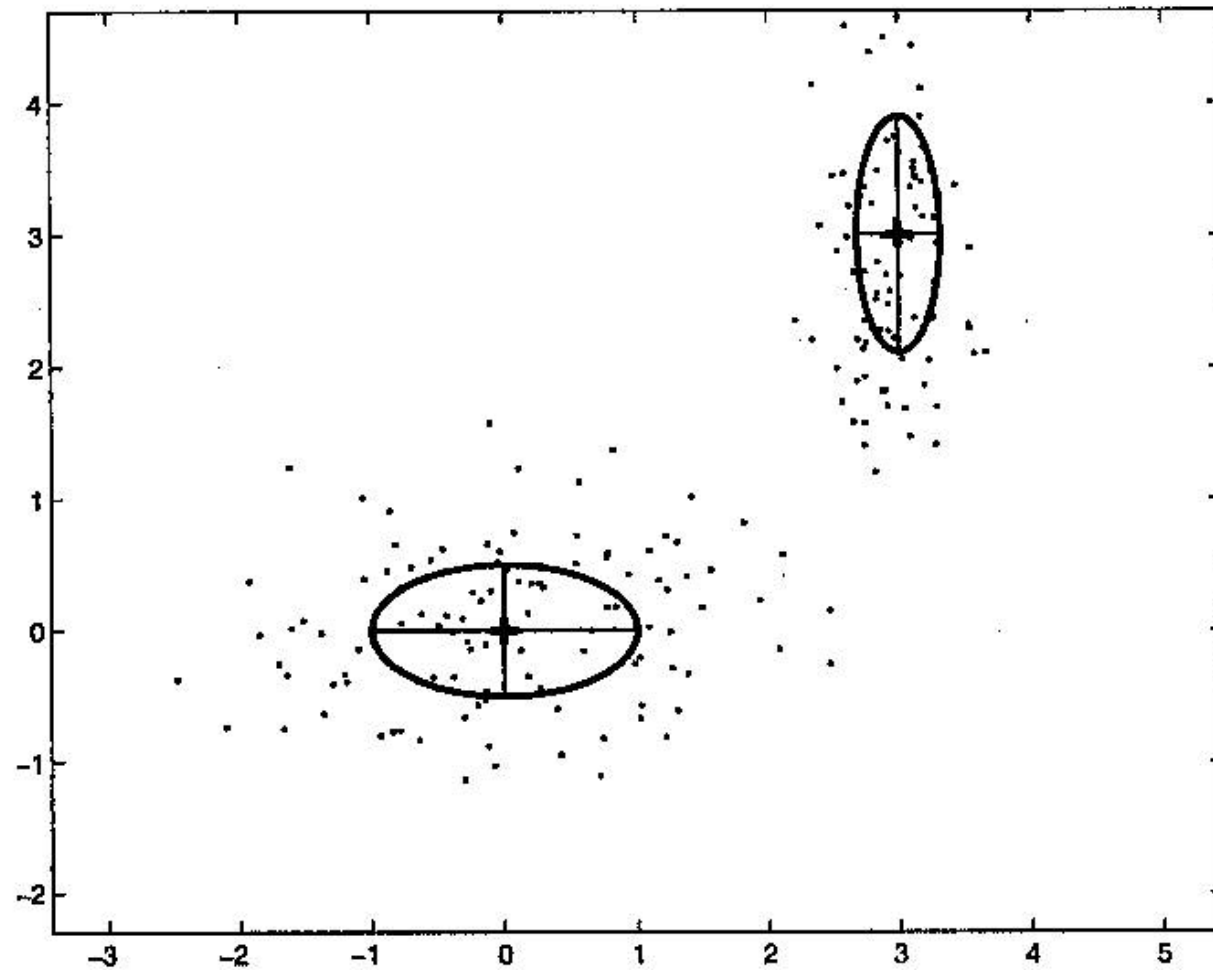
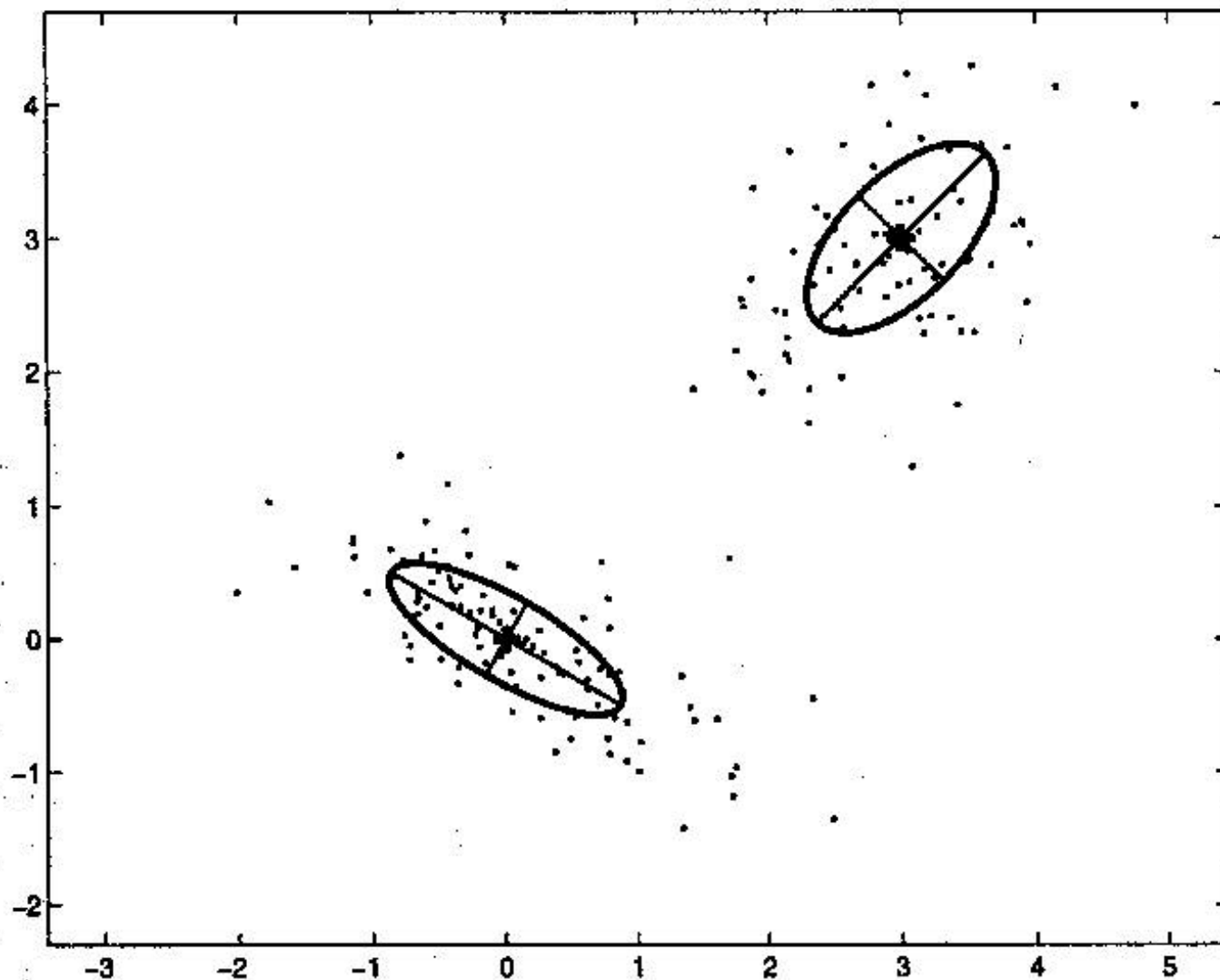


Fig. 3.2. Diagonal covariance mixture model. Sampled data (*dots*), centre (*crosses*), covariance axes (*thin lines*) and one standard deviation error bars (*thick lines*).



3. Full covariance mixture model. Sampled data (*dots*), centres (*crosses*), principal axes (*thin lines*) and one standard deviation error bars (*thick lines*).

GMM

- “Pooled covariance” - using a single covariance to describe all clusters (saves on parameter computation)

GMM: Likelihood

1. Evaluate the probability of that mixture modeling your point.

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likelihoodgm1 = gmmprob(gm1,testing_features)  
likelihoodgm2 = gmmprob(gm2,testing_features);  
loglikelihood = log(likelihoodKick ./likelihoodSnare )
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- Log-function is “order-preserving” – maximizing a function vs. maximizing its log gives same results



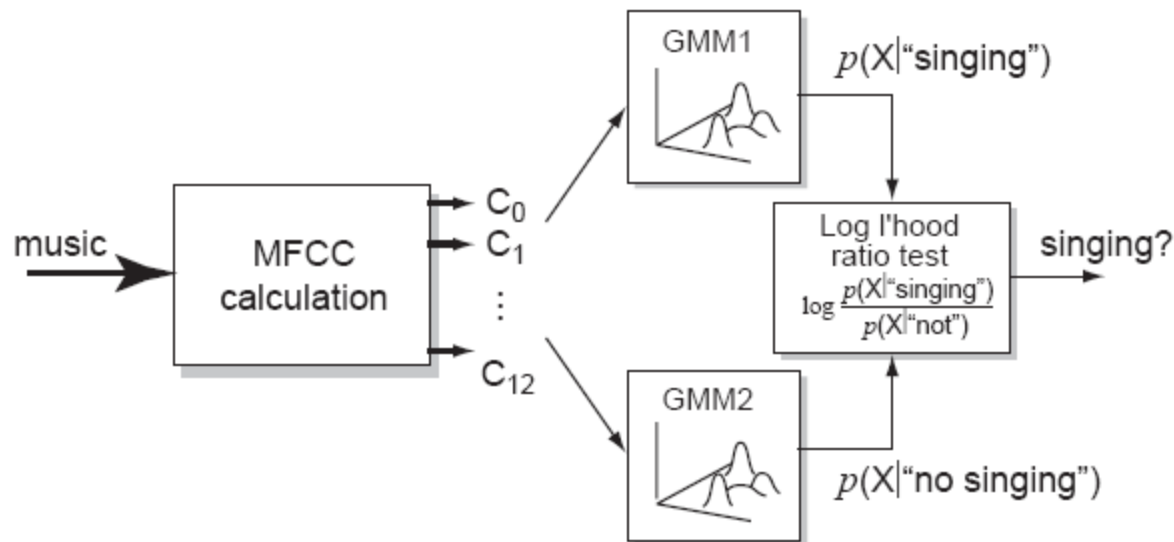
Minimization Problems

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- EM is gradient-based – it does not find the global maximum in the general case, unless properly initialized in the general region of interest.
- Error wants to be $-\infty$, which occurs when Gaussian is fit for each data point. (mean = data point and variance = 0)
- “There are often a large number of local minima which correspond to poor models. Solution is to build models from many different initialization points and take the best model.”

GMM System

- **Separate models for $p(x|sing)$, $p(x|no\ sing)$**
 - combined via likelihood ratio test



- **How many Gaussians for each?**
 - say 20; depends on data & complexity
- **What kind of covariance?**
 - diagonal (spherical?)



GMM

- Application:
 - State-of-the-art speech recognition systems
 - estimate up to 30,000 separate GMMs, each with about 32 components. This means that these systems can have up to a million Gaussian components!! All the parameters are estimated from (a lot of) data by the EM algorithm.

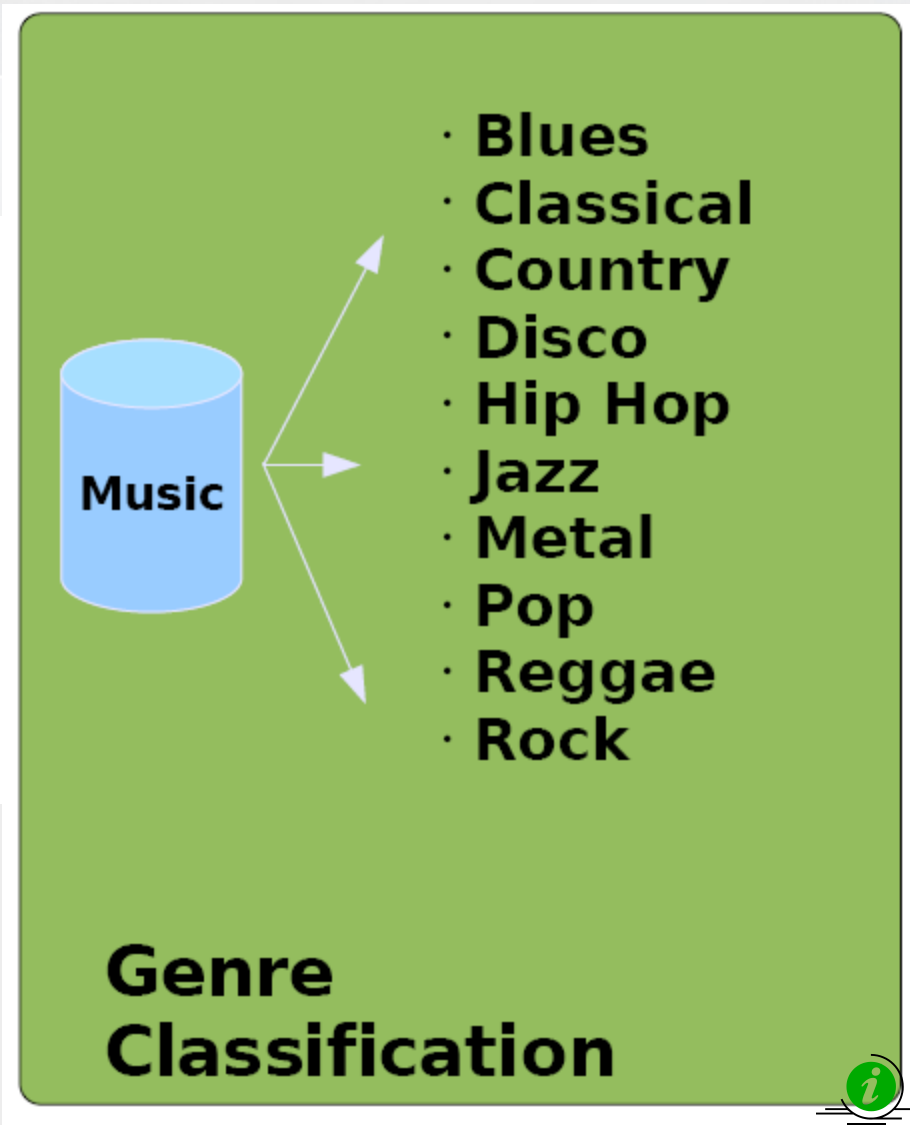


GENRE

- **Genre Classification:**

- Manual : 72%
(Perrot/Gjerdigen)
- Automated (2002) 60%
(Tzanetakis)
- Automated (2005) 82%
(Bergstra/Casagrande/Eck)
- Automated (2007) 76%

*From ISMIR 2007 Music Recommender
Tutorial (Lamere & Celma)*



Genre

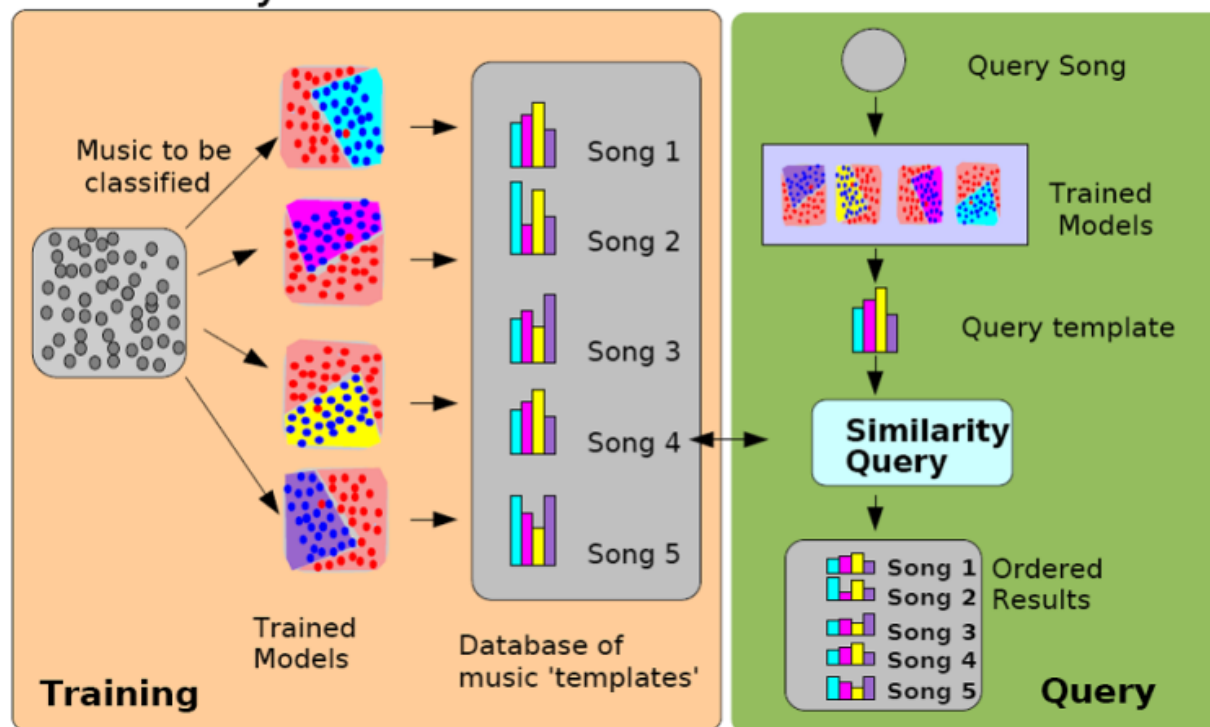
“Because feature vectors are computed from short segments of audio, an entire song induces a cloud of points in feature space.”

“The cloud can be thought of as samples from a distribution that characterizes the song, and we can model that distribution using statistical techniques. Extending this idea, we can conceive of a distribution in feature space that characterizes the entire repertoire of each artist.”

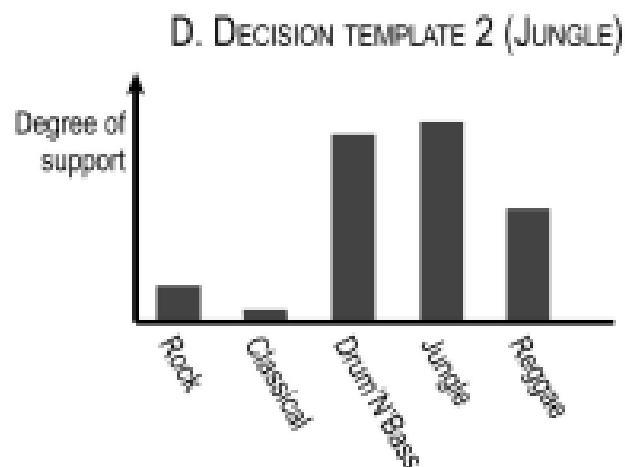
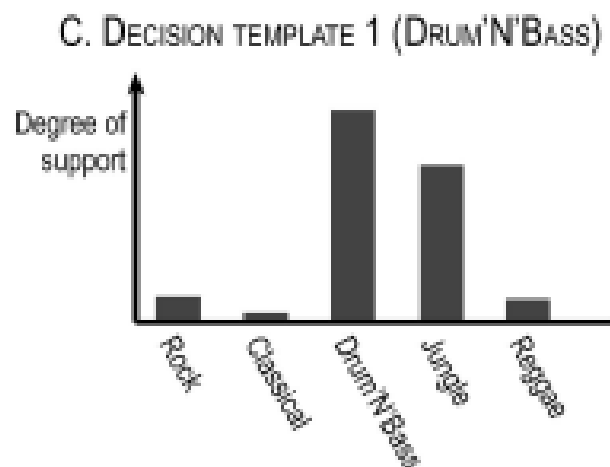
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- Automatic annotation
 - ❖ Similarity based on classification



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How?

- Version 1 - One feature vector per song
 - High-level features extracted from data
 - Timbral (MFCCs, etc), Rhythmic content (beat histogram, autocor, tempos), Pitch info
 - Sampling of the frames in the song
 - Statistics of features extracted from a piece (includes means, weights, etc)
 - Representative of MFCC spectral shape
 - Could further use “Anchor space” where classifiers are training to represent musically meaningful classifiers. (Euclidean distance between anchor space)
- Version 2 - Cloud of points
 - Extract audio every N frames
 - K-Means or GMM representing a “cloud of points” for song
 - Clusters: mean, covariance and weight of each cluster = signature for song/artist/genre



MORE REAL-WORLD APPLICATIONS

Music Recommendation and Discovery Systems

Today

Tomorrow

All music will be on line

Billions of tracks

Millions more arriving every week

Finding new, relevant music is hard!

If ***everything*** is online, how do we find it?

“A wealth of content creates a poverty of attention”
Herbert A. Simon, Nobel Prize Winner

“iPod **whiplash**”

The Long Tail

Study of 5,000 iPod users:
80% of plays in 23% of songs
64% of songs **never played**

So much feature extraction...

- Features extracted on your host then piped to a server.
- Features only taken on select waveform areas

Tag breakdown

- Social tags
 - ❖ Distribution of Tags

Type	Freq	Examples
Genre	68%	Heavy metal, punk
Locale	12%	French, Seattle
Mood	5%	Chill, party
Opinion	4%	Love, favorite
Instrumentation	4%	Piano, female vocal
Style	3%	Political, humor
Misc	3%	Coldplay, composers
Personal	1%	Seen live, I own it

Courtesy: ISMIR 2007 Recommender Tutorial

- Much of last.fm data is currently available via web services, such as:
 - User Profile Data
 - Artist Data
 - Album Data
 - Track Data
 - Tag Data
- <http://www.audioscrobbler.net/data/webservices/>

Music Recommendation

- Cloud of points from frames of song
 - High-level features extracted from data
 - Classifier: Weighted attribute nearest neighbors or fast distance measures.
 - k-Means or GMM used to create clusters.
 - The mean, covariance and weight of each cluster = signature for the song.
 - Compare distance between other songs (signature) using various techniques to measure distance between probability distributions. (Most similar = closest distance)

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- Mahalanobis

- Normalize the distance between the test point(s) and the existing cluster set

$$\frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}$$

Distance measures between clusters

- The distances between these clusters are computed using the
 - “Centroid distance”
 - Mahalanobis distance
 - Kullback-Leibler Divergence
 - Earth Movers Distance

GMM

- Sampling