

# MACHINE LEARNING FOR SIGNAL PROCESSING

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# DECISION THEORY (PRML CHAP. 1.5)

## ❖ Decision Theory

### ✓ Inference problem

- Finding the joint density

### ✓ Decision problem $p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{t})$

- Using the inference to make the classification or regression decision

# DECISION PROBLEM - CLASSIFICATION

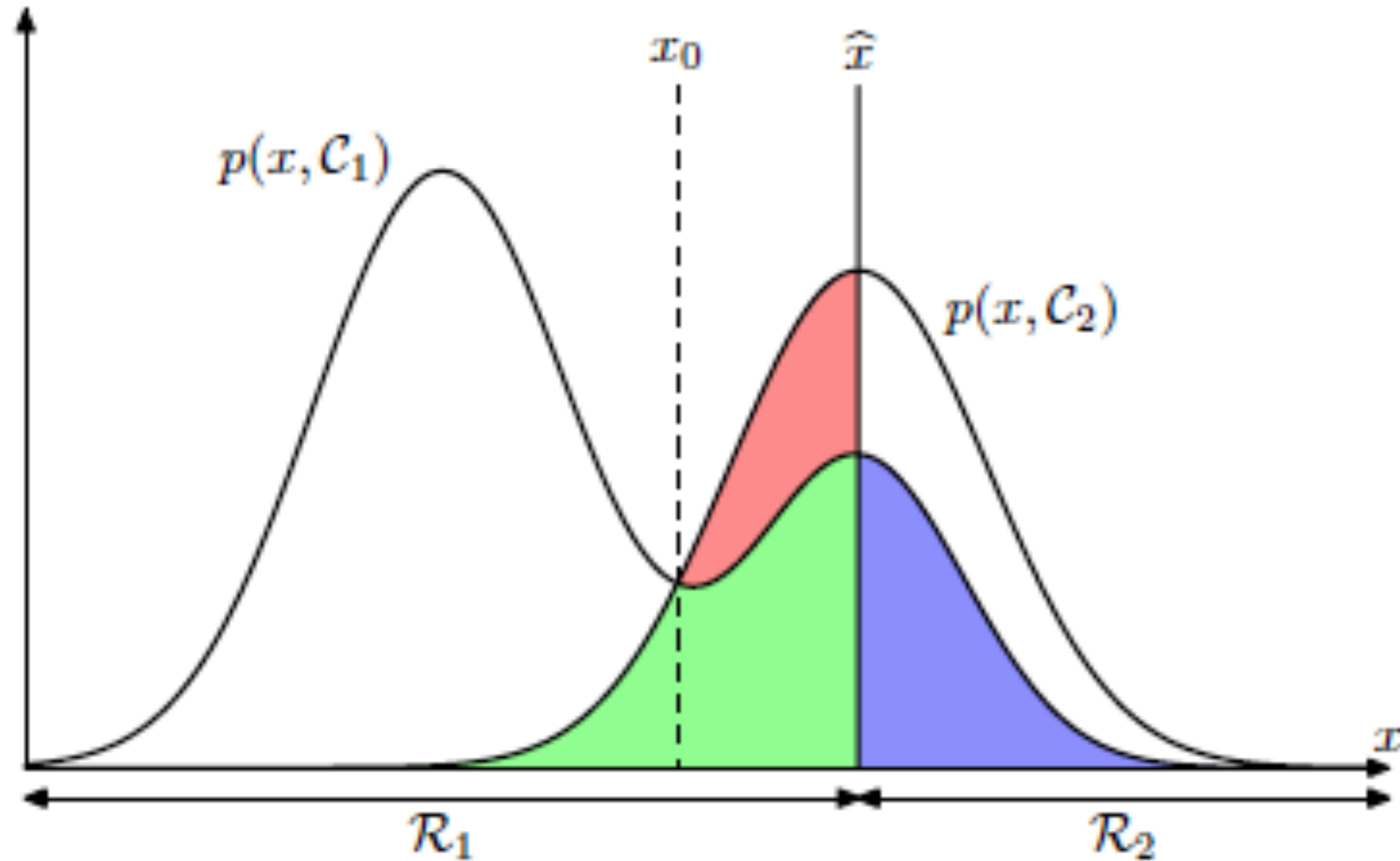
- ✓ Minimizing the mis-classification error
- ✓ Decision based on maximum posteriors

$$\operatorname{argmax}_j p(C_j|\mathbf{x})$$

- ✓ Loss matrix
  - Minimizing the expected loss

$$\operatorname{argmax}_j \sum_k L_{k,j} p(C_k|\mathbf{x})$$

# VISUALIZING THE MAX. POSTERIOR CLASSIFIER



# APPROACHES FOR INFERENCE AND DECISION

I. Finding the joint density from the data.

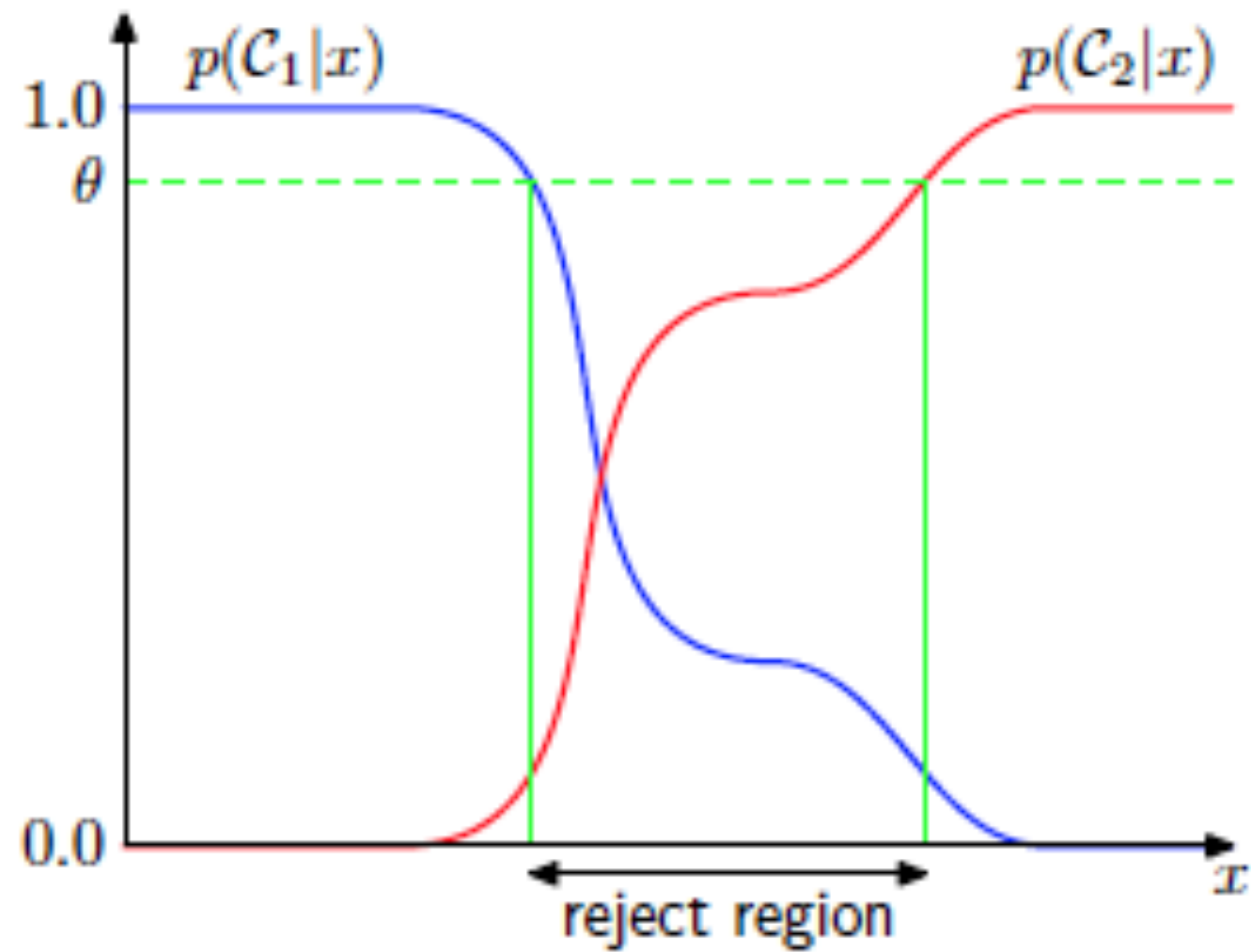
II. Finding the posteriors directly.

$$p(C_k|\mathbf{x}) \propto p(\mathbf{x}|C_k)p(C_k)$$

III. Using discriminant functions for classification.



# ADVANTAGE OF POSTERIORIORS

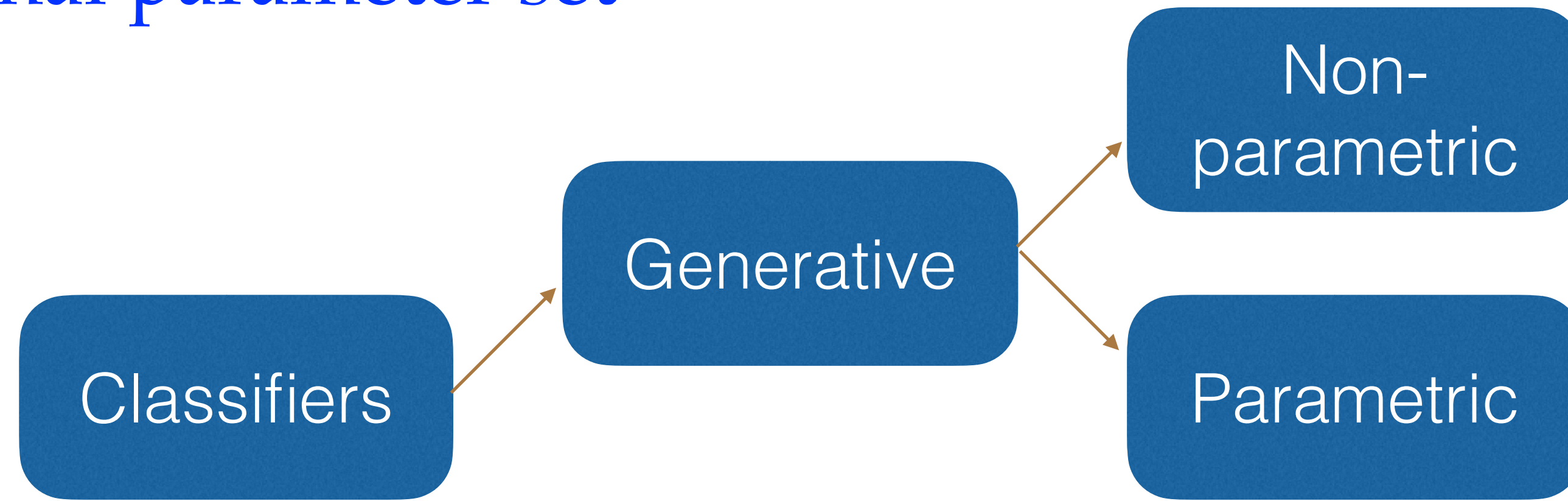


# Decision Rule for Regression

- ❖ Minimum mean square error loss
- ❖ Solution is conditional expectation.

# GENERATIVE MODELING

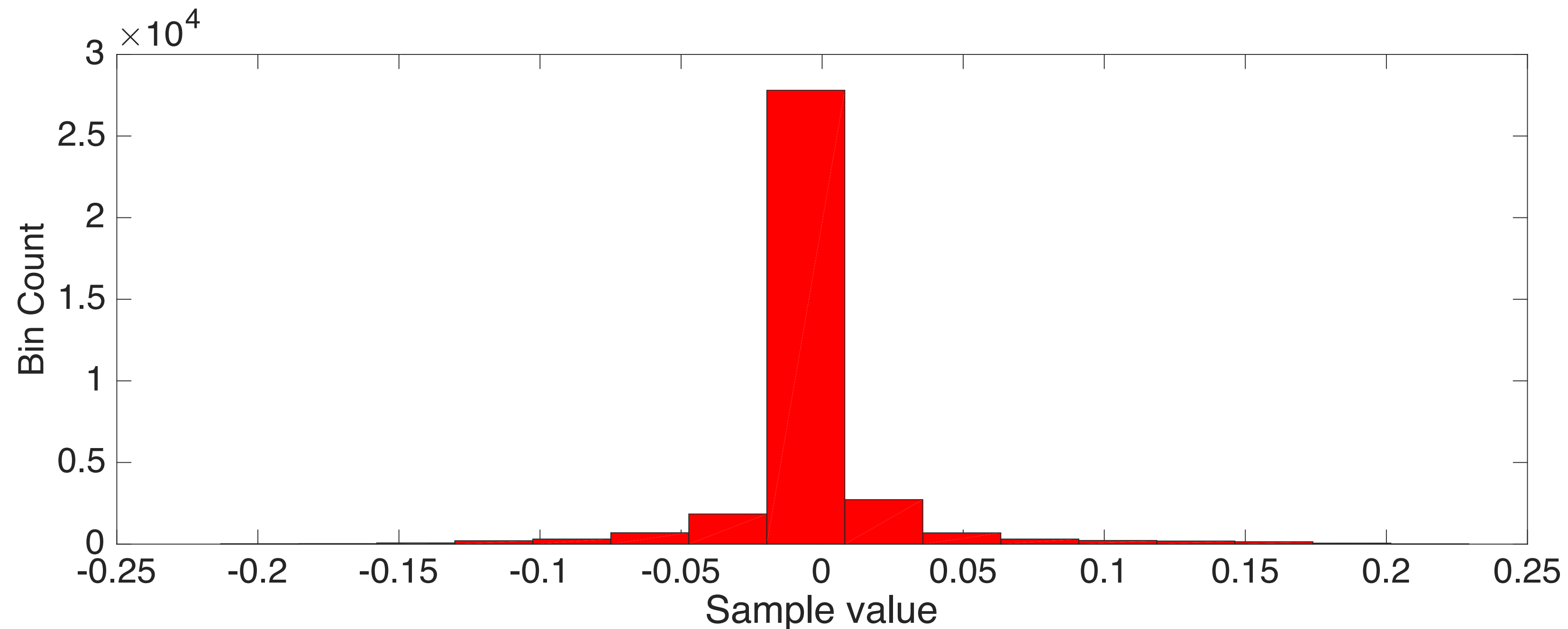
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# Non-parametric Modeling

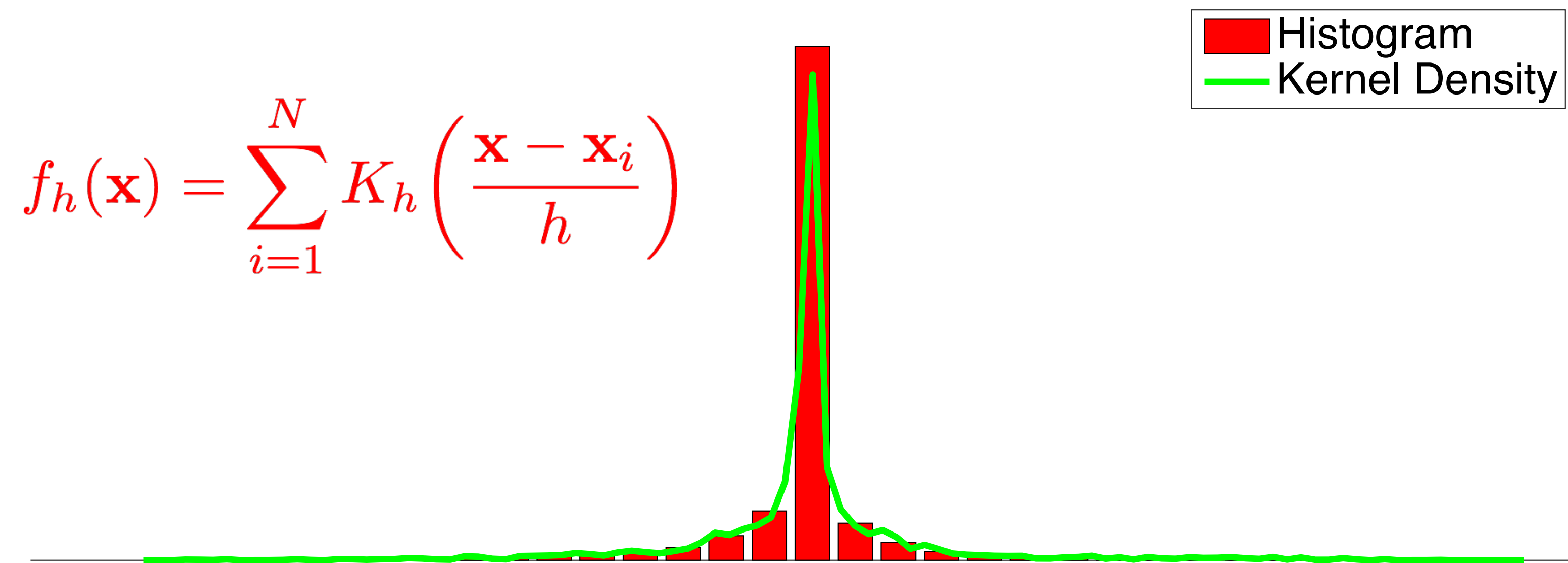
- **Non-parametric** models do not specify an a priori set of parameters to model the distribution. Example - Histogram



The density is not smooth and has block like shape.

# Non-parametric Modeling

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- Example - Kernel Density Estimators



**Kernel** is a smooth function which obeys certain properties

# Non-parametric Modeling

- Non-parametric methods are dependent on number of data points
  - Estimation is difficult for **large datasets**.
- **Likelihood computation** and model comparisons are hard.
- **Limited use** in classifiers

# Parametric Models (Chap 2 PRML)

- ❖ Collection of probability distributions which are described by a **finite dimensional parameter set**

$$\boldsymbol{\theta} = (\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_K) \quad P = \{P_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\}$$

- Examples -

- Poisson Distribution

$$p_{\lambda}(j) = \frac{\lambda^j}{j!} e^{-\lambda}$$

- Bernoulli Distribution

$$p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\mu}) = \prod_{i=1}^D \mu_i^{x_i} (1 - \mu_i)^{1-x_i}$$

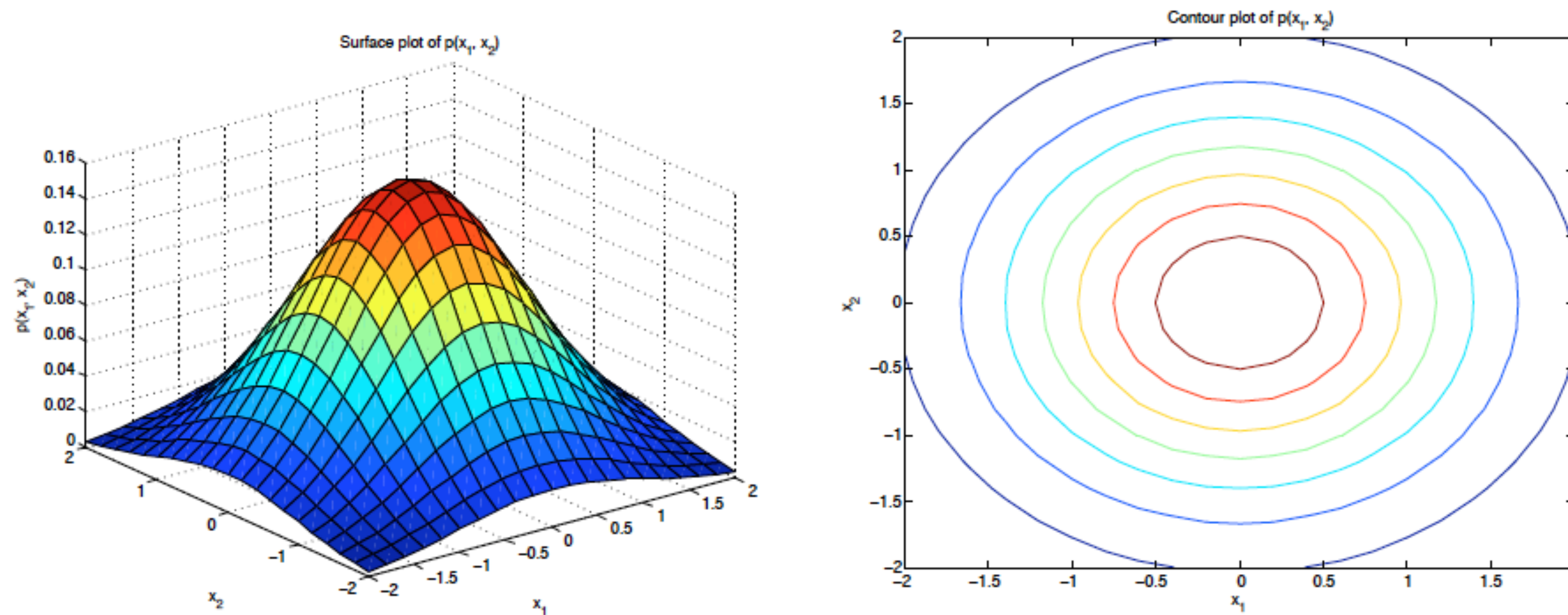
- Gaussian Distribution

$$p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^D |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}|}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^* \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})\right\}$$



# Gaussian Distribution

One of most widely used and well studied model

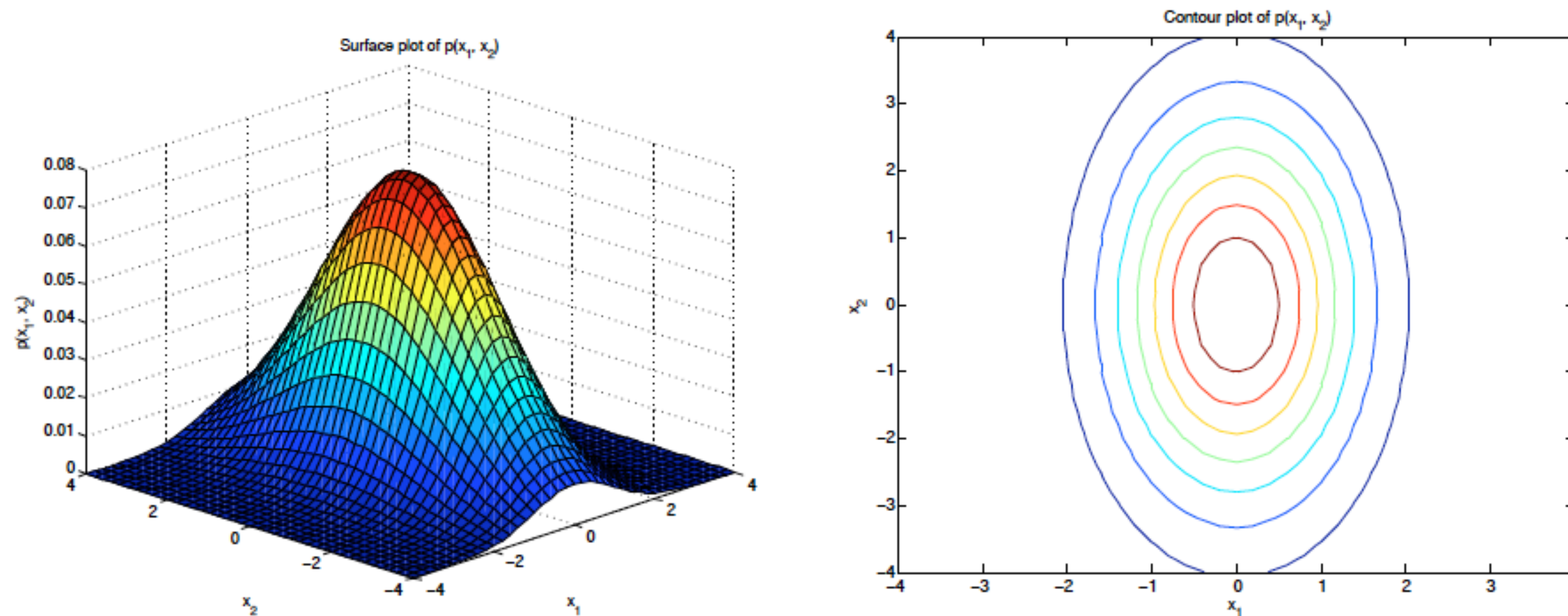


Points of equal probability lie on on contour  
Diagonal Gaussian with Identical Variance



# Gaussian Distribution

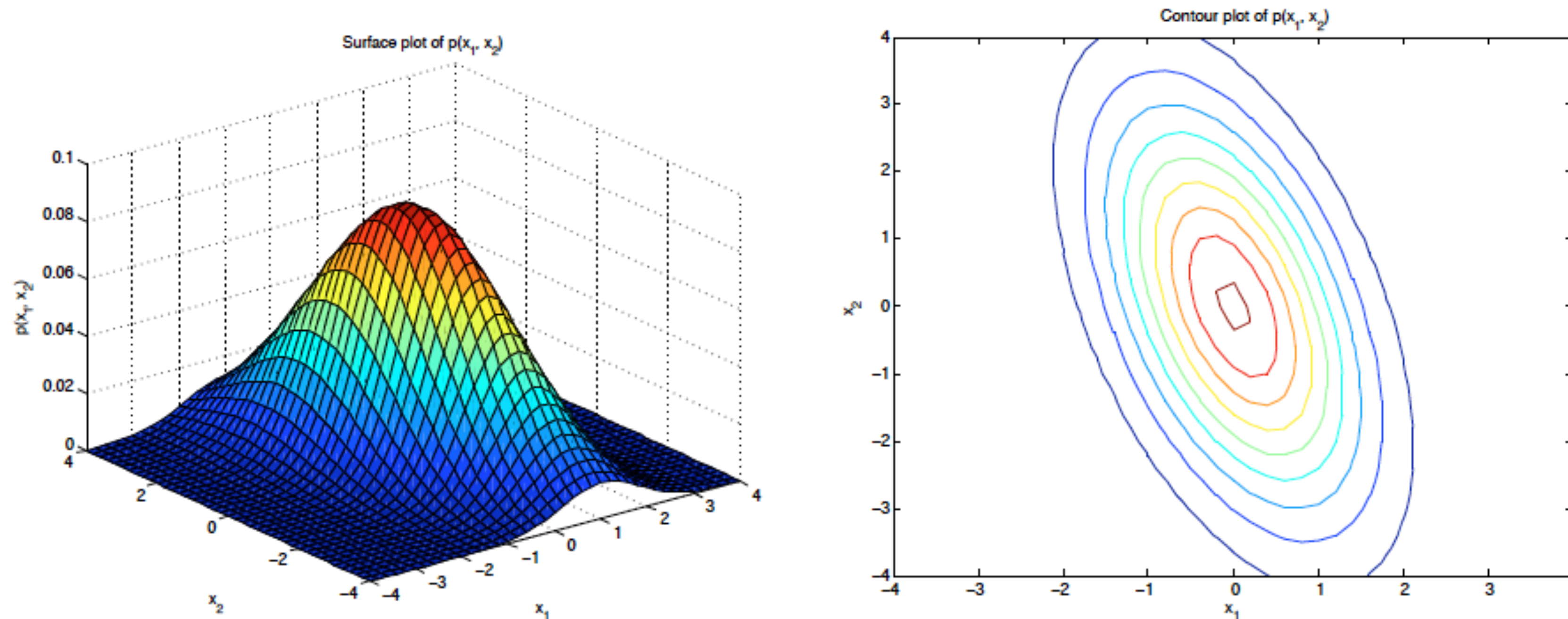
Insights into two dimensional Gaussian distribution



Diagonal Gaussian with different variance

# Gaussian Distribution

## Insights into two dimensional Gaussian Distribution

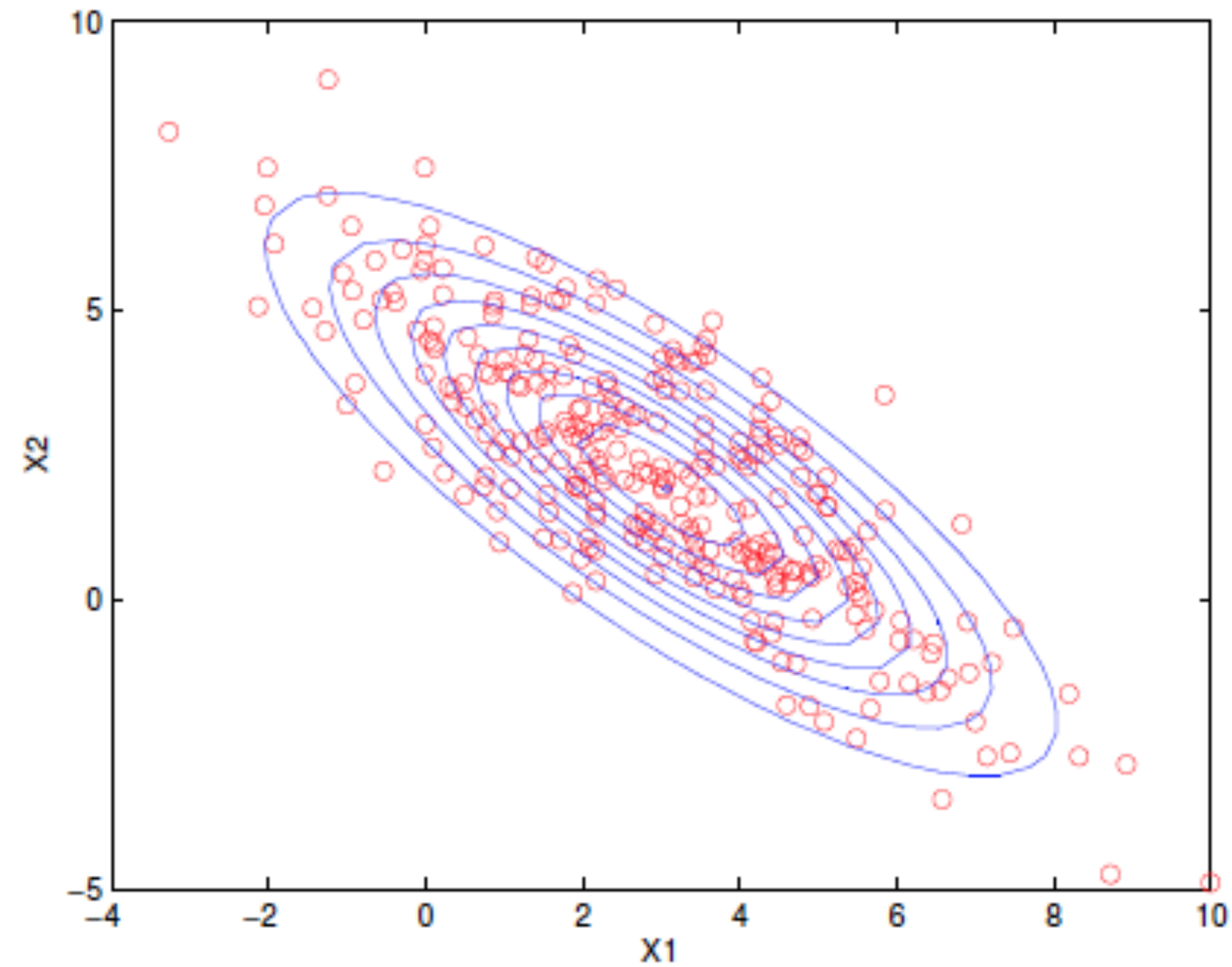
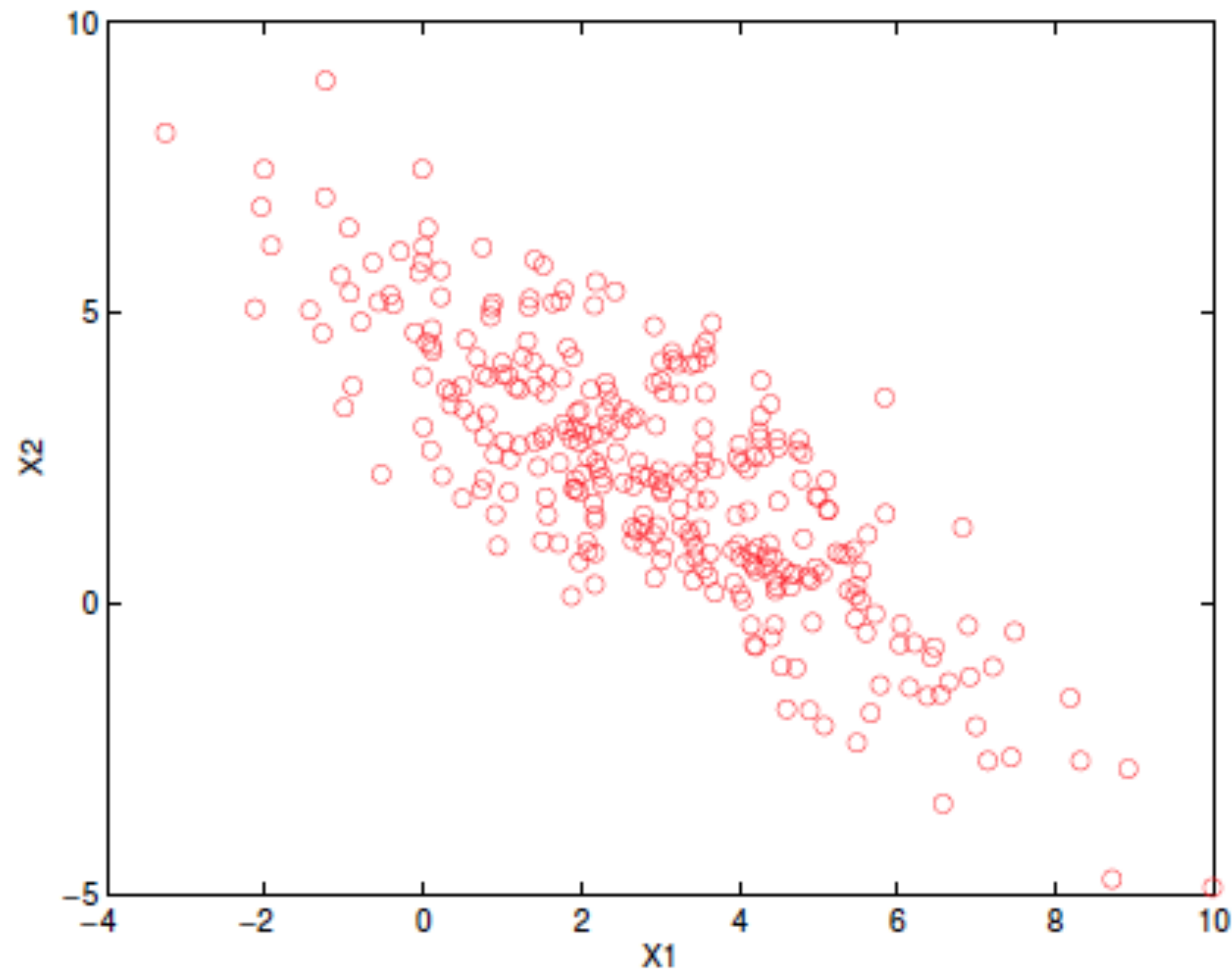


Full covariance Gaussian distribution



# Gaussian Distribution

Fitting the data with a Gaussian Model



# Finding the parameters of the Model

- ✓ The Gaussian model has the following parameters

$$\theta = (\mu, \Sigma)$$

- ✓ Total number of parameters to be learned for D dimensional data is  $D^2 + D$
- ✓ Given N data points  $\{\mathbf{x}_i\}_{i=1}^N$  how do we estimate the parameters of model.
  - Several criteria can be used
  - The most popular method is the maximum likelihood estimation (MLE).

# MLE

Define the likelihood function as  $L(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \prod_{i=1}^N p(\mathbf{x}_i | \boldsymbol{\theta})$

The **maximum likelihood estimator (MLE)** is

$$\boldsymbol{\theta}^* = \underset{\boldsymbol{\theta}}{\operatorname{arg\,max}} L(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

The MLE satisfies **nice properties** like

- Consistency (convergence to true value)
- Efficiency (has the least Mean squared error).



# MLE

For the Gaussian distribution

$$p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^D |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}|}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^* \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})\right\}$$

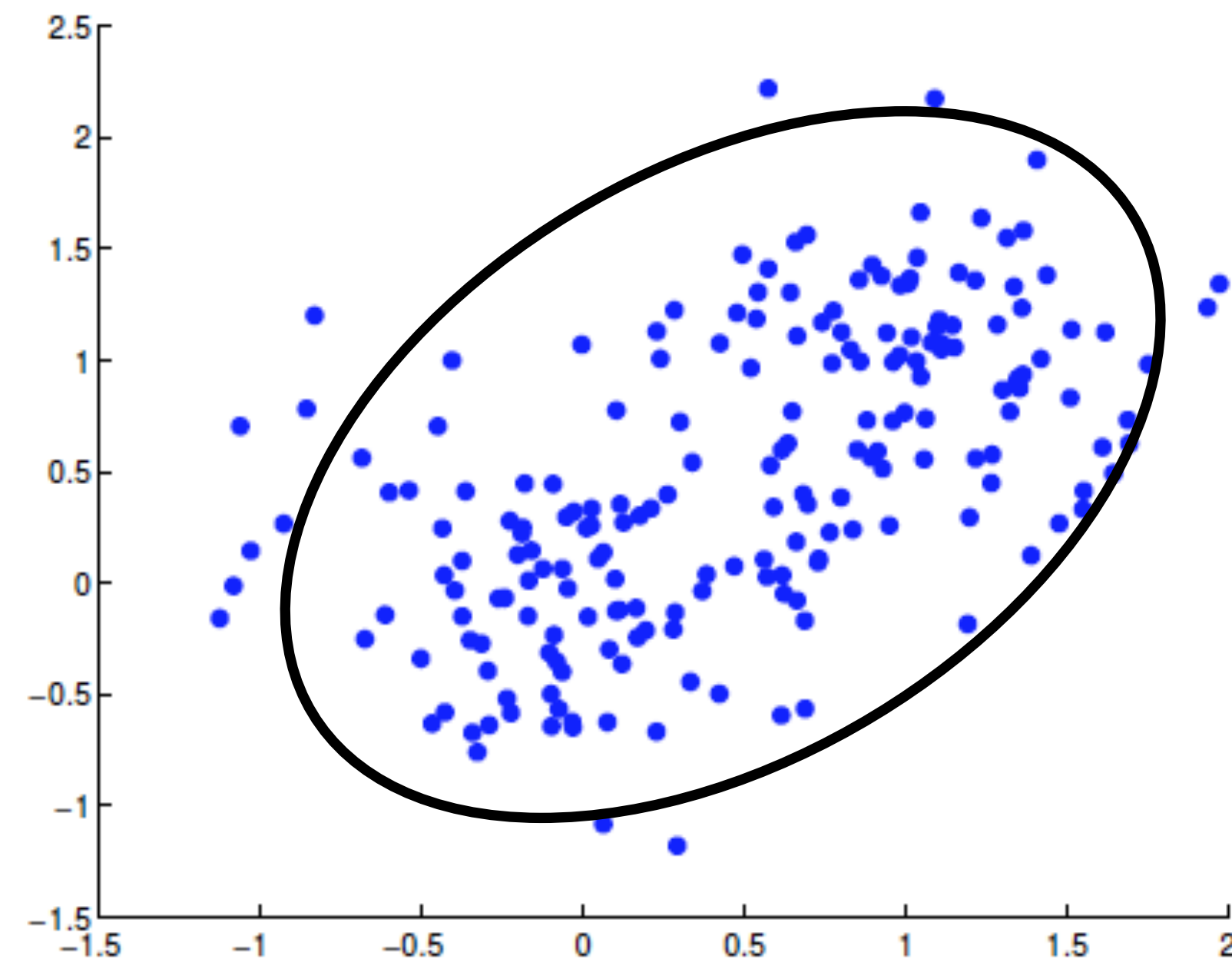
$$L(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \prod_{i=1}^N p(\mathbf{x}_i|\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

$$\log L(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = -\frac{ND}{2} - \frac{N}{2} \log |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}| - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N \left( (\mathbf{x}_i - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_i - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \right)$$

To estimate the parameters  $\frac{\partial \log L}{\partial \boldsymbol{\mu}} = 0$

# Gaussian Distribution

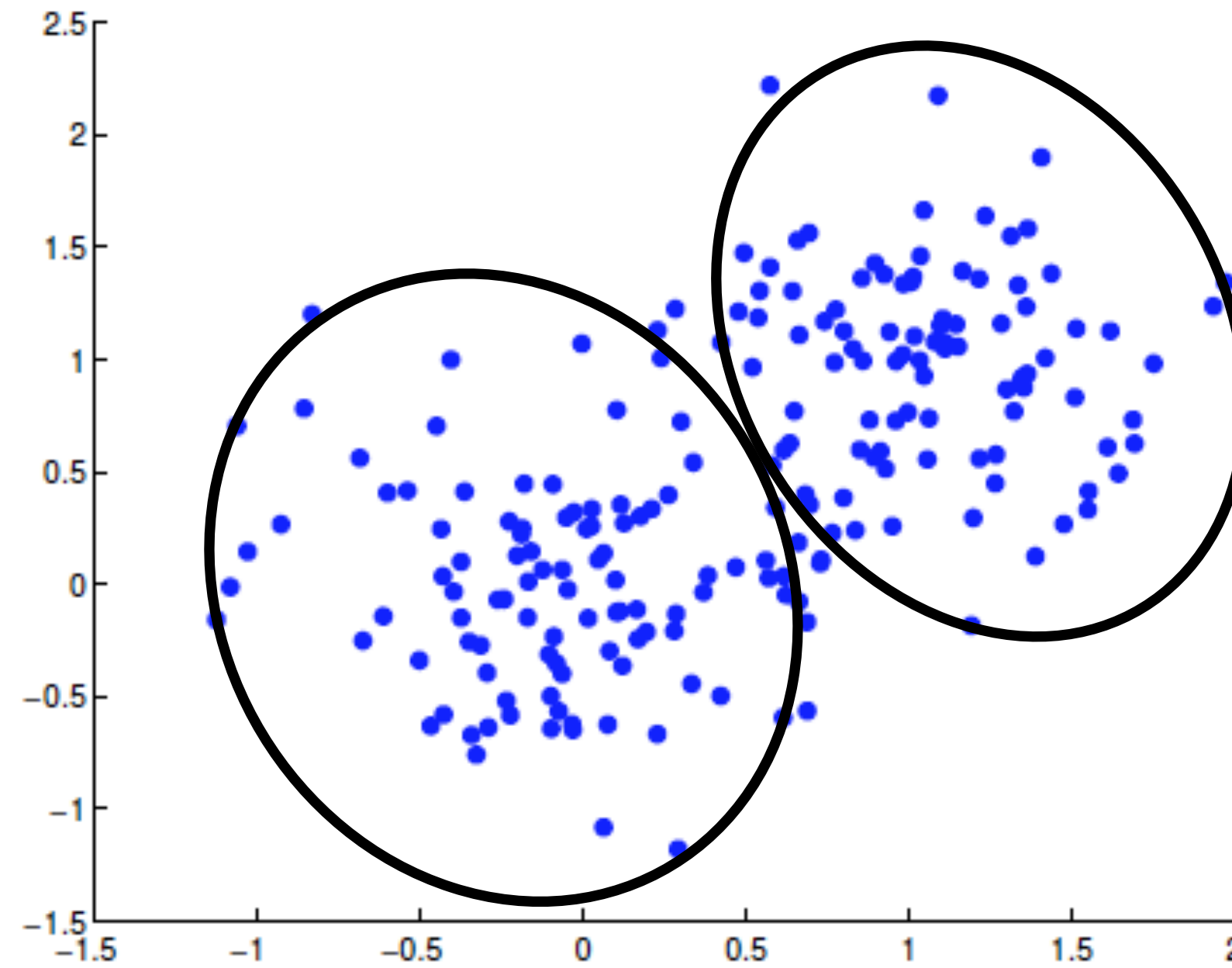
Often the data lies in clusters (2-D example)



Fitting a single Gaussian model may be **too broad**.

# Gaussian Distribution

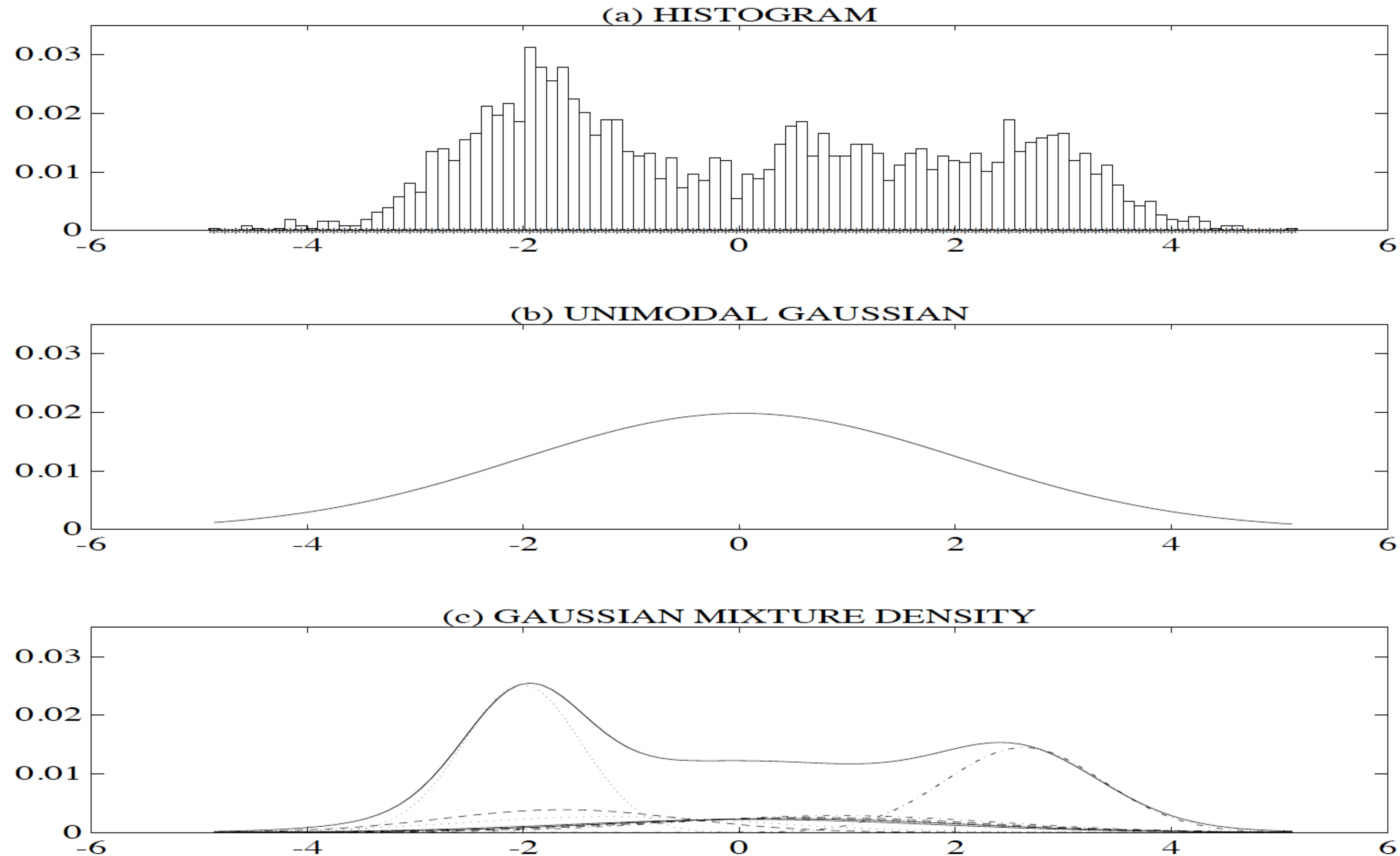
Need mixture models



Can fit any arbitrary distribution.

# Gaussian Distribution

Often the data lies in clusters 1-D example



# Gaussian Distribution Summary

- ✓ The Gaussian model - parametric distributions
- ✓ **Simple and useful** properties.
- ✓ Can model unimodal (single peak distributions)
- ✓ **MLE** gives intuitive results
- ✓ Issues with Gaussian model
  - Multi-modal data
  - Not useful for complex data distributions

Need for **mixture models**



# Gaussian Mixture Models

A Gaussian Mixture Model (GMM) is defined as

$$p(\mathbf{x}|\Theta) = \sum_{k=1}^K \alpha_k p(\mathbf{x}|\theta_k)$$
$$p(\mathbf{x}|\theta_k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^D |\Sigma_k|}} \exp\left\{ -\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \mu_k)^* \Sigma_k^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \mu_k) \right\}$$

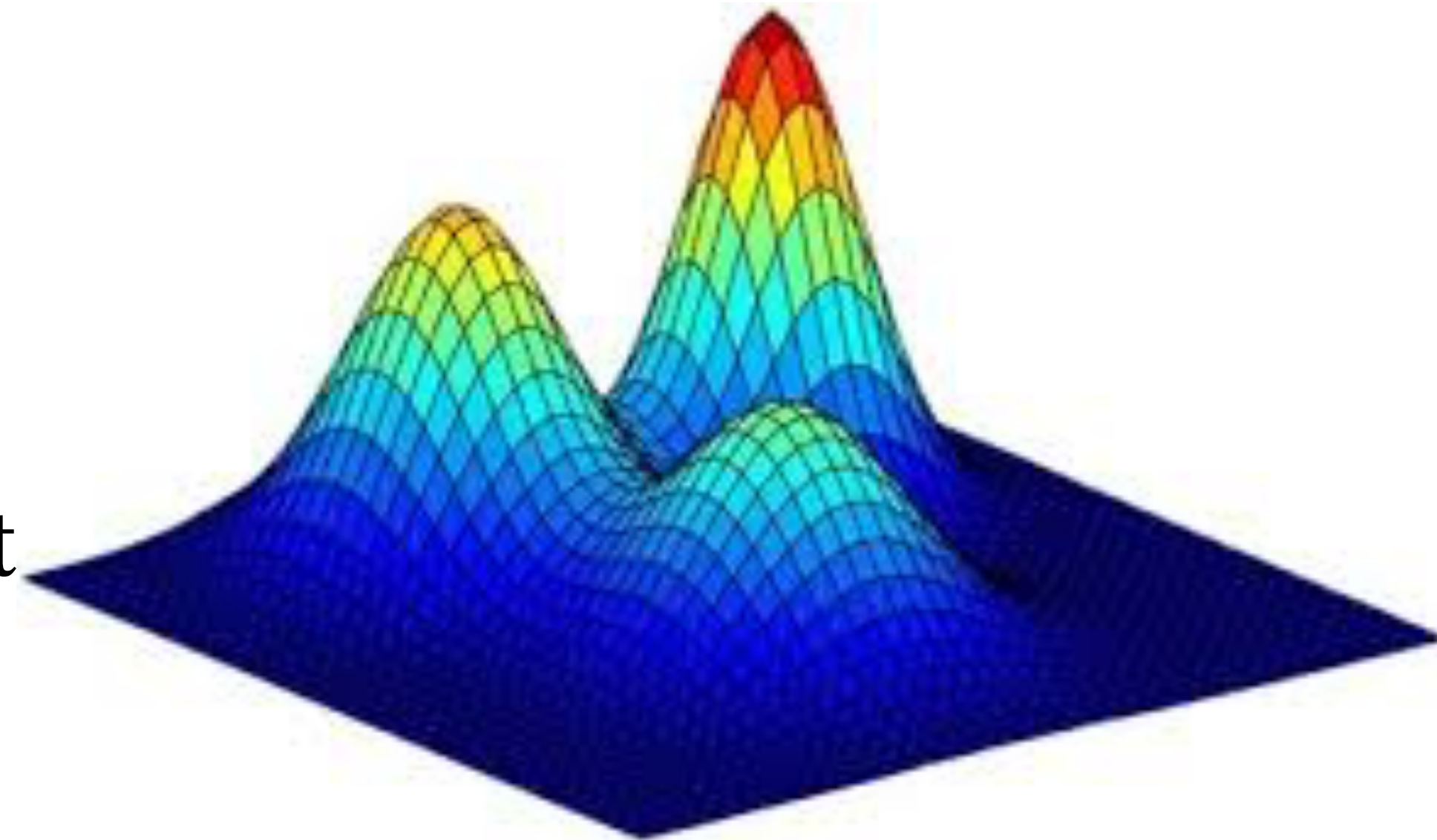
The weighting coefficients have the property

$$\sum_{k=1}^K \alpha_k = 1$$

# Gaussian Mixture Models

## ❖ Properties of GMM

- ✓ Can model multi-modal data.
- ✓ Identify data clusters.
- ✓ Can model arbitrarily complex data dist



The set of parameters for the model are

$$\Theta_k = \{\alpha_k, \theta_k\}_{k=1}^K \quad \theta_k = \{\mu_k, \Sigma_k\}$$

The number of parameters is  $KD^2 + KD + K$

# MLE for GMM

- ❖ The log-likelihood function over the entire data in this case will have a **logarithm of a summation**

$$\log L(\Theta) = \sum_{i=1}^N \log \left( \sum_{k=1}^K \alpha_k p(\mathbf{x}_i | \theta_k) \right)$$

- ❖ Solving for the optimal parameters using MLE for GMM is not straight forward.
- ❖ Resort to the **Expectation Maximization (EM)** algorithm



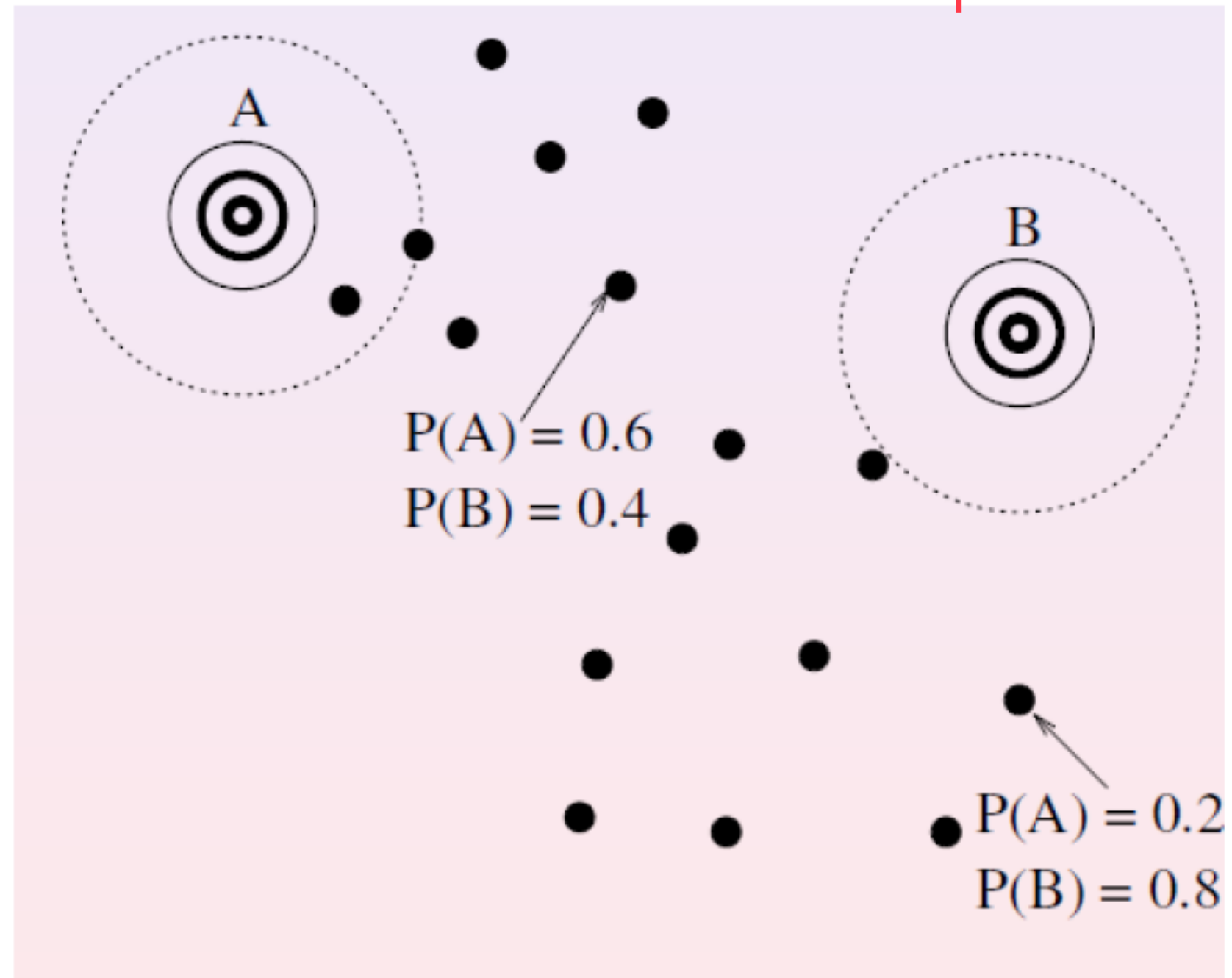
# EM Algorithm For GMMs



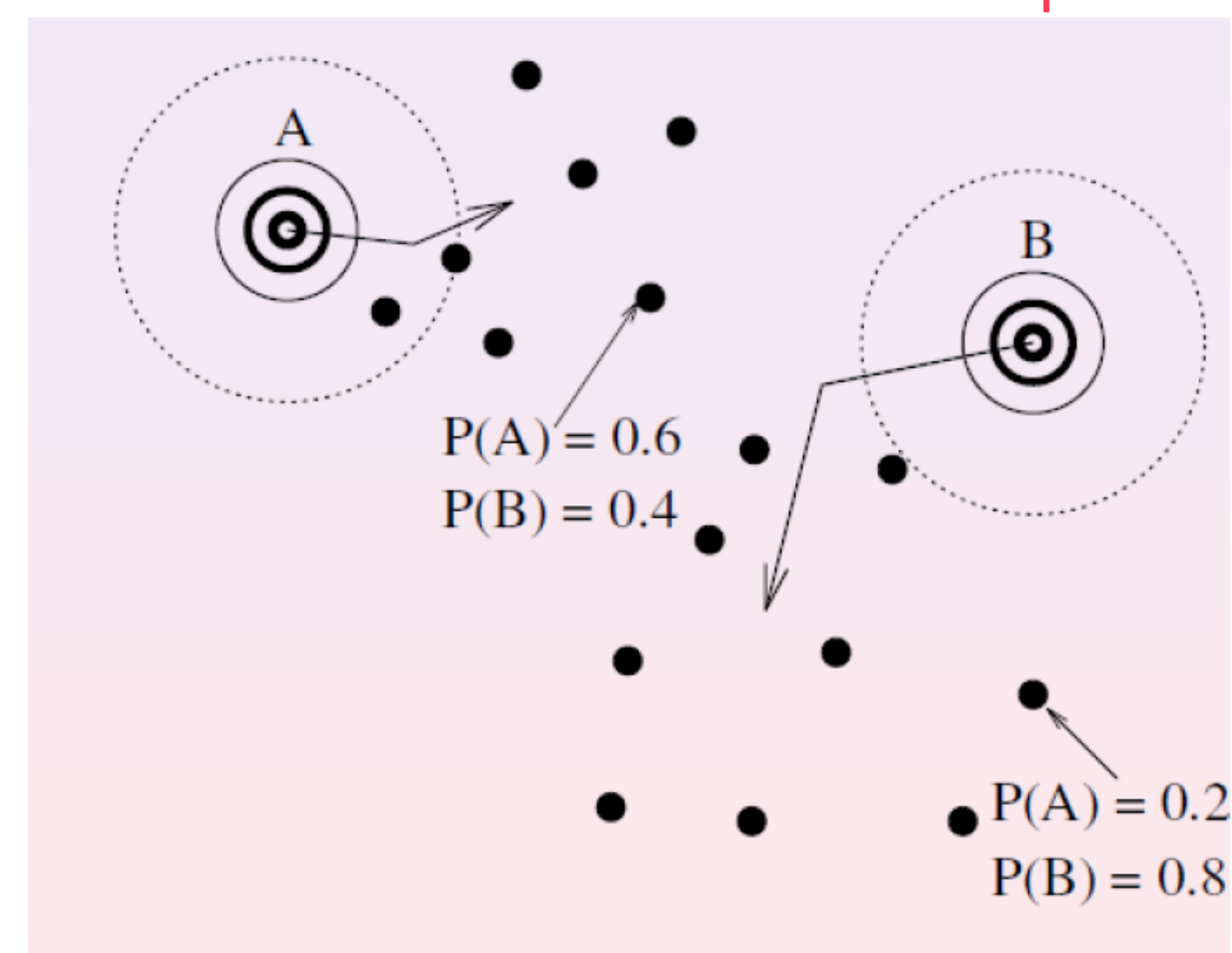
# EM Algorithm for GMM

- ✓ The hidden variables will be the index of the mixture component which generated
- ✓ Re-estimation formulae

E-step



M-step





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