

# Clustering

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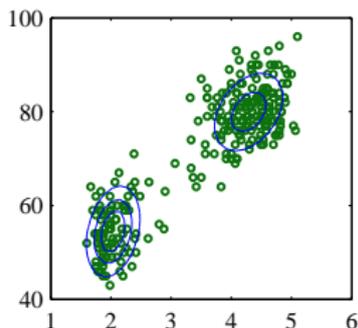
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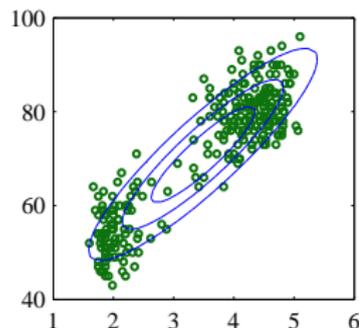
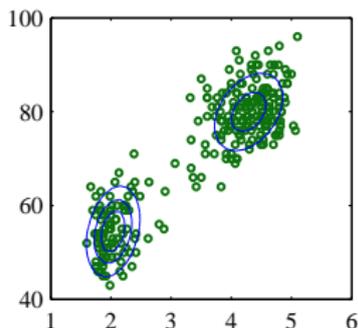
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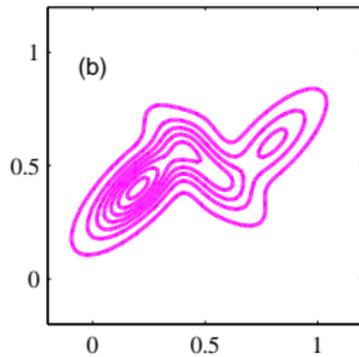
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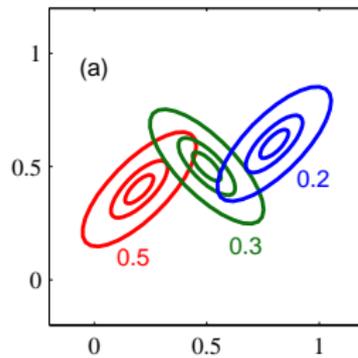
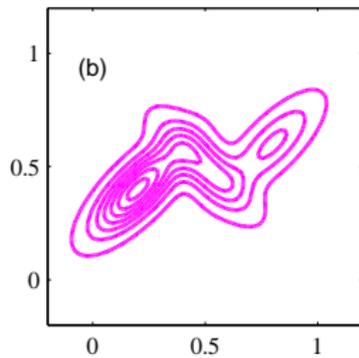
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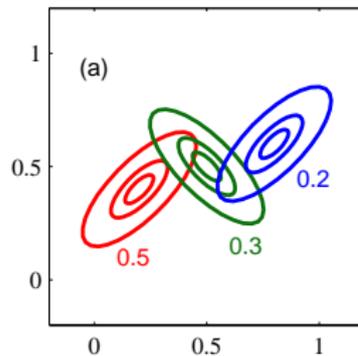
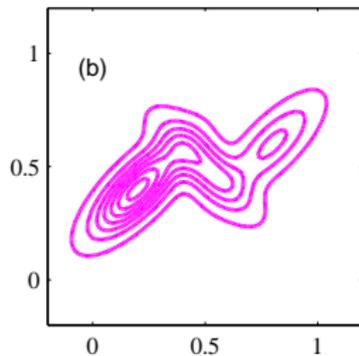
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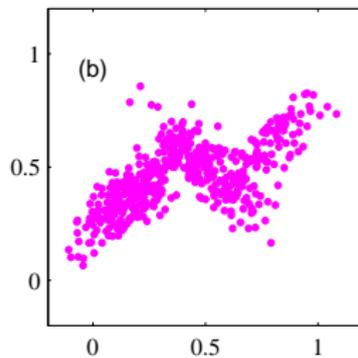
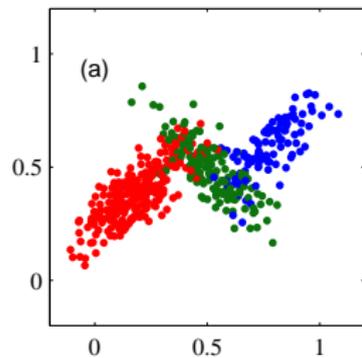
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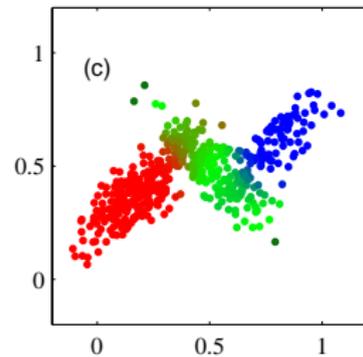
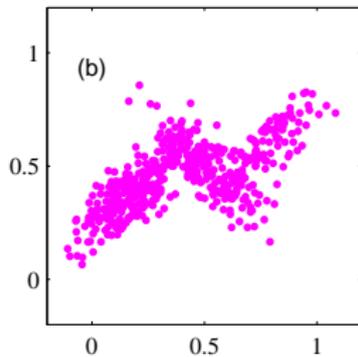
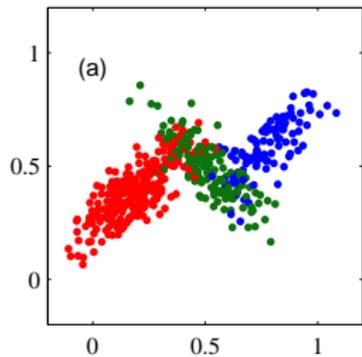
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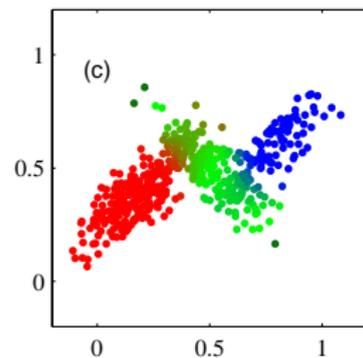
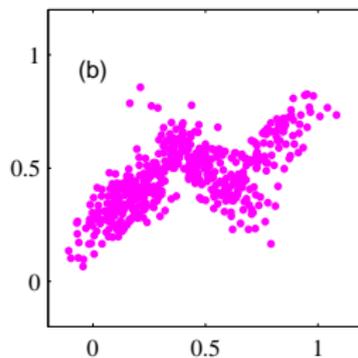
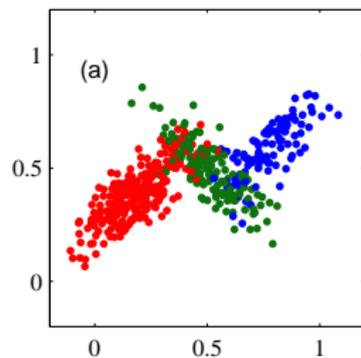
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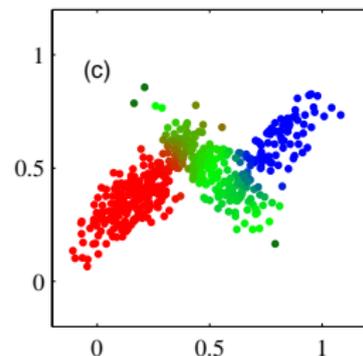
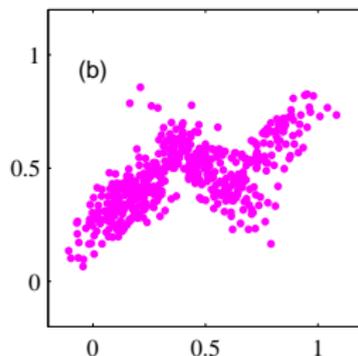
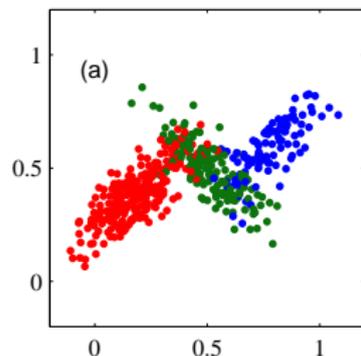
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- The **Kullback-Leibler divergence** measures the difference between two densities:

$$\text{KL}[q\|p] = \int q(\mathbf{x}) \ln \frac{q(\mathbf{x})}{p(\mathbf{x})} d\mathbf{x} \geq 0.$$

The KL is asymmetric (thus not a distance) and only zero if  $q(\mathbf{x}) = p(\mathbf{x})$  for all  $\mathbf{x}$ .

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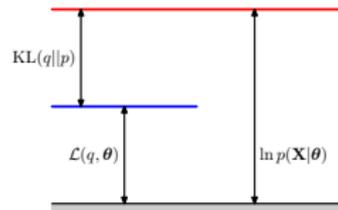
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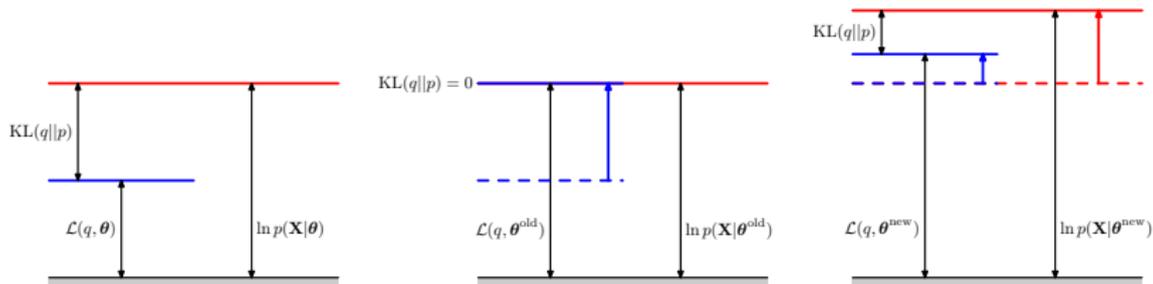
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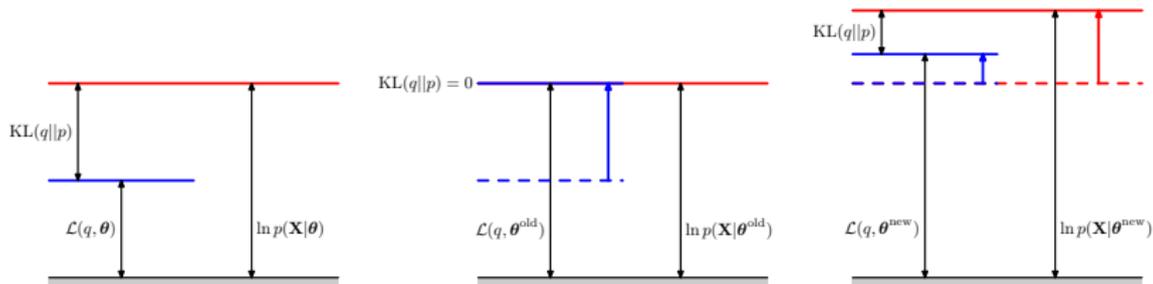


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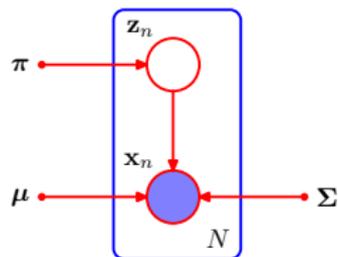
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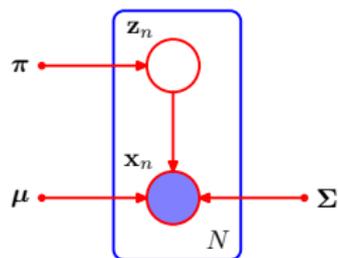
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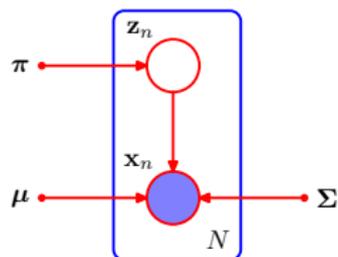


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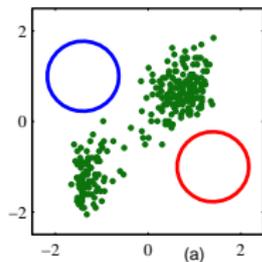
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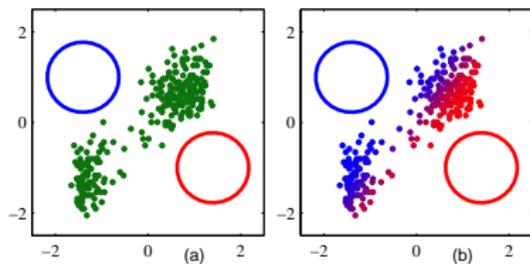
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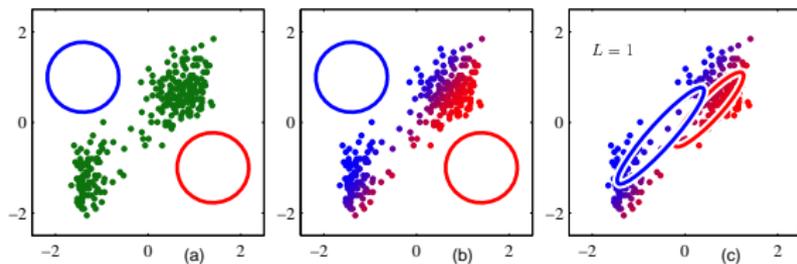
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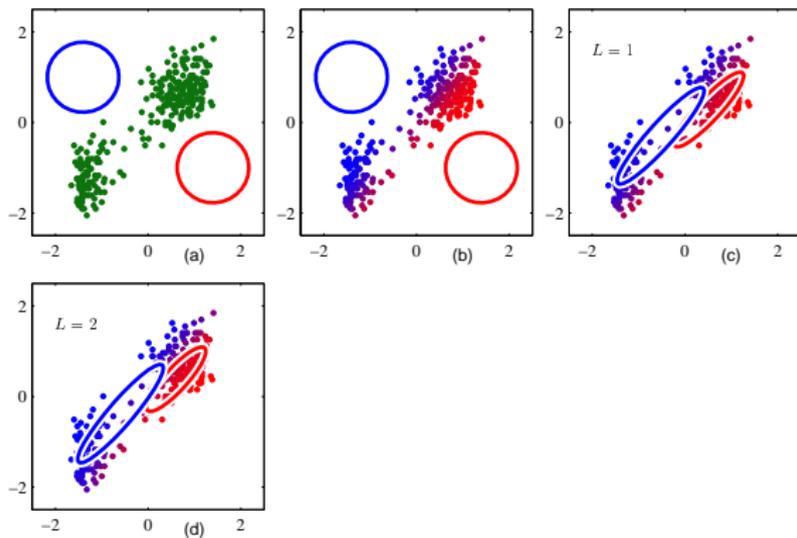
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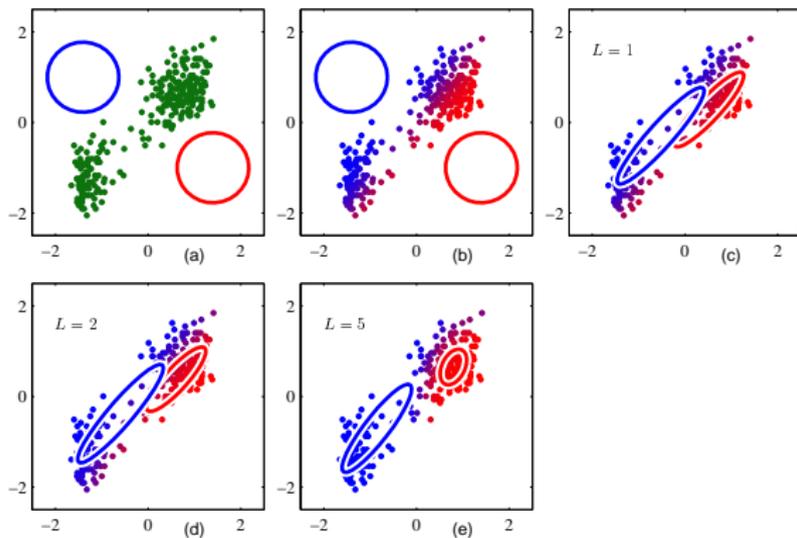
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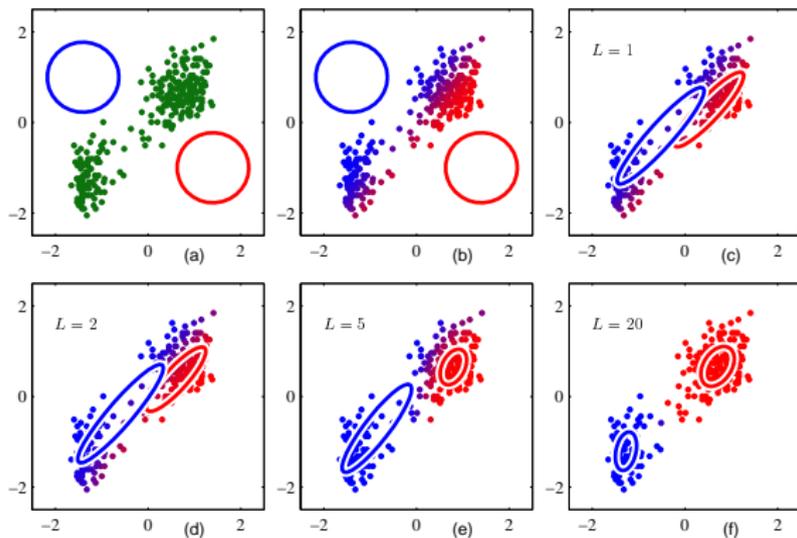
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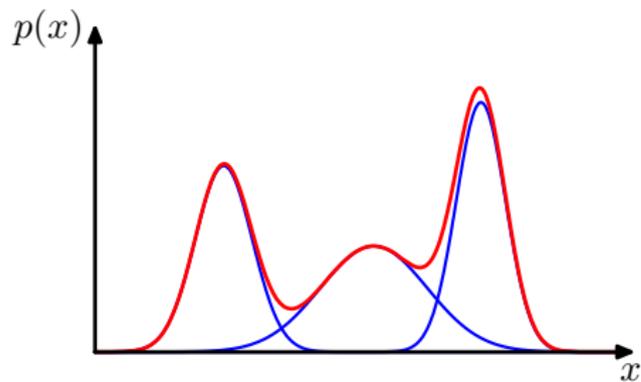
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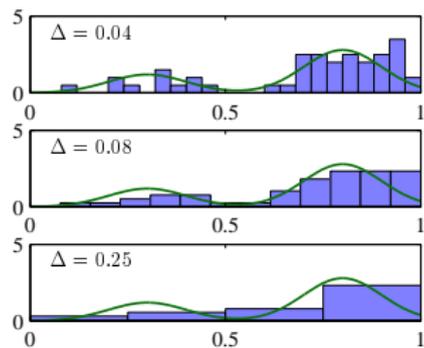
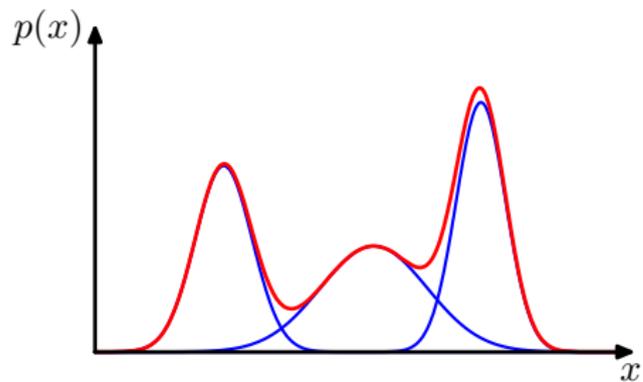
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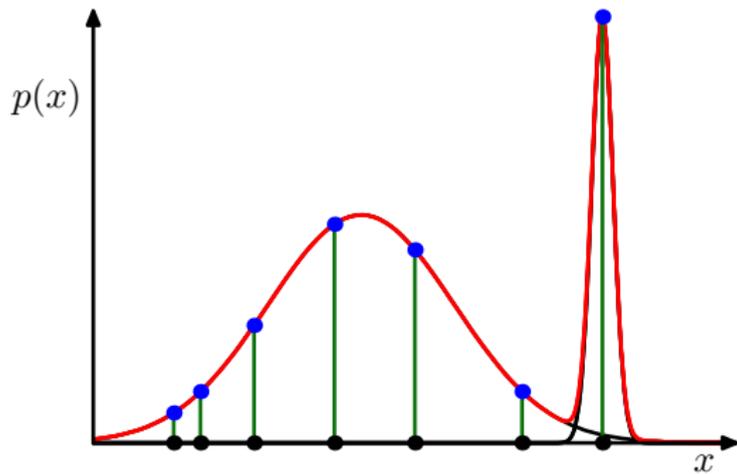


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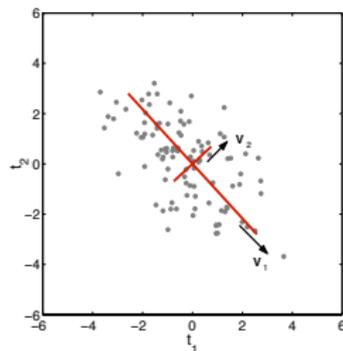


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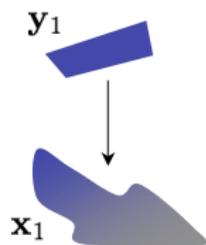
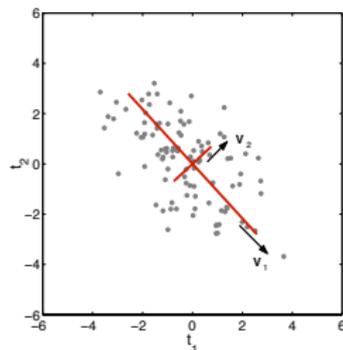
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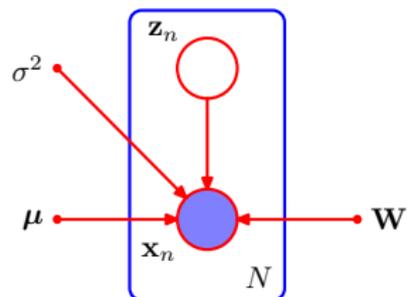
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- ML solution spans same subspace as PCA solution.
- Standard EM is  $\mathcal{O}(DNd)$  per iteration.

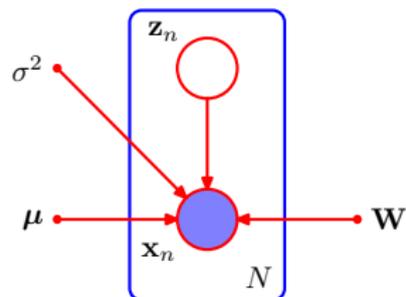
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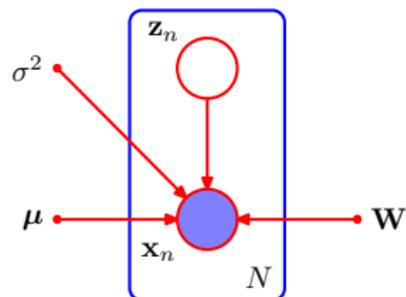


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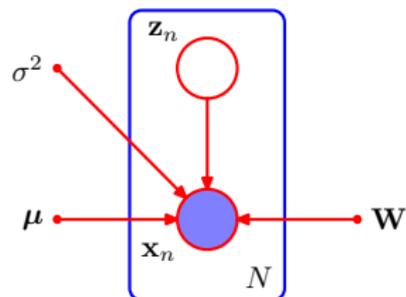
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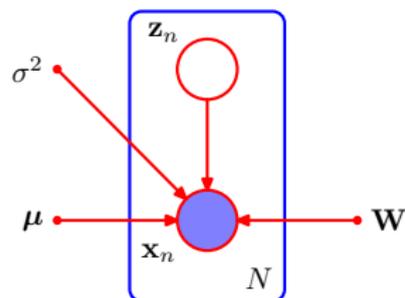
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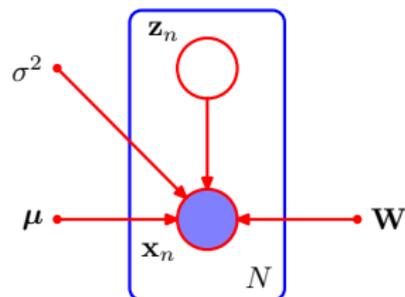
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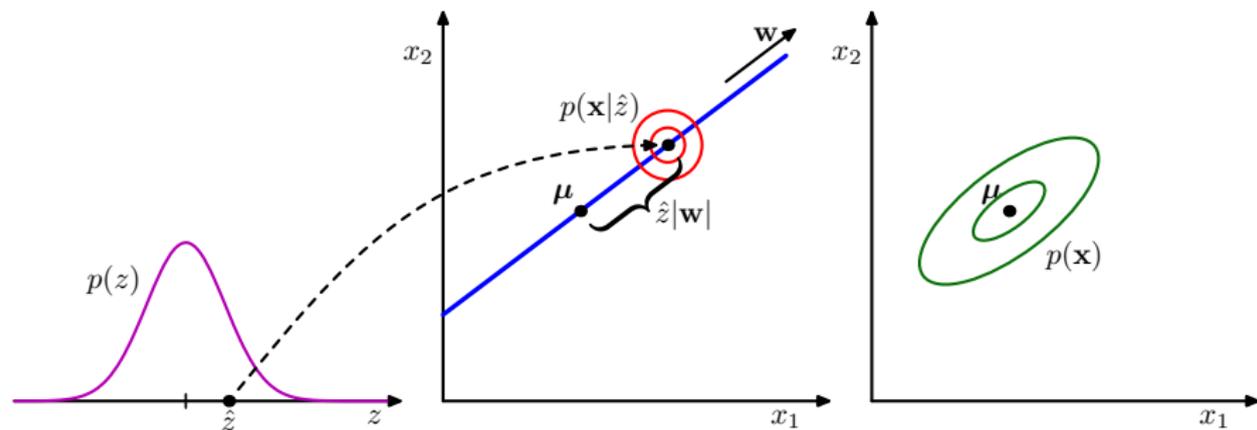
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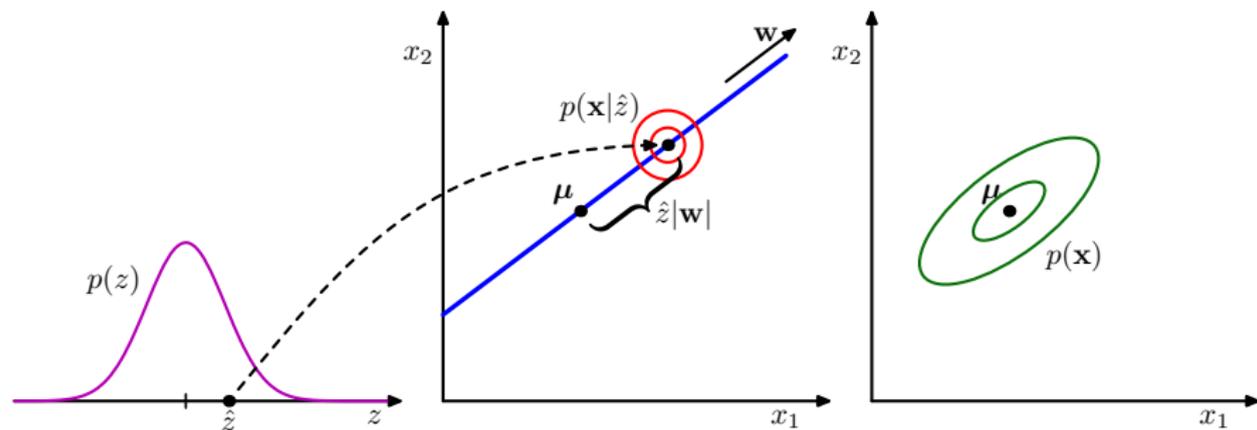
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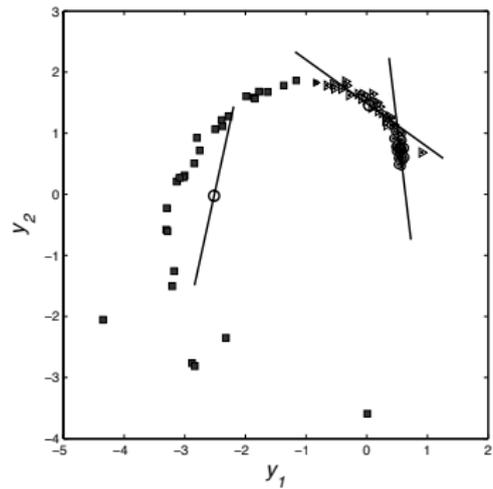
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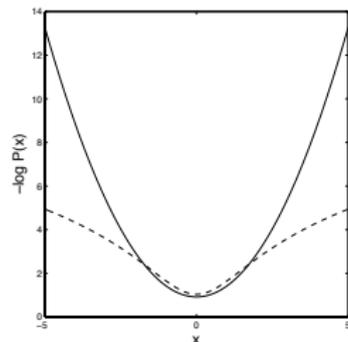
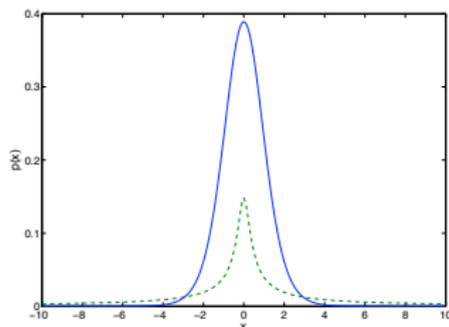
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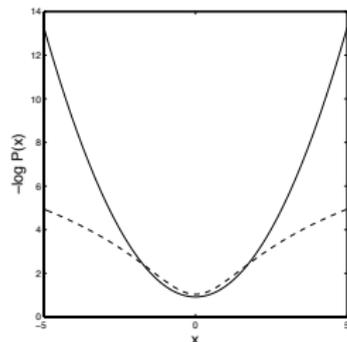
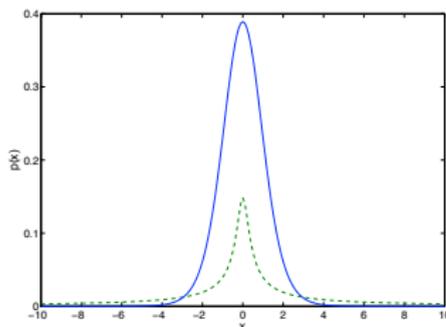
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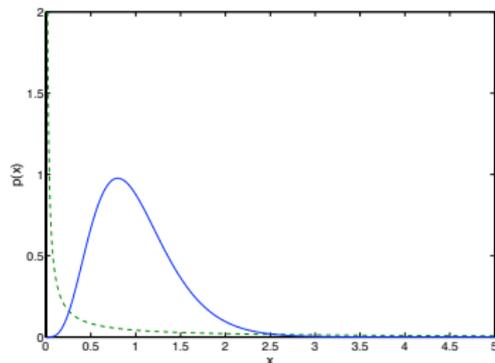
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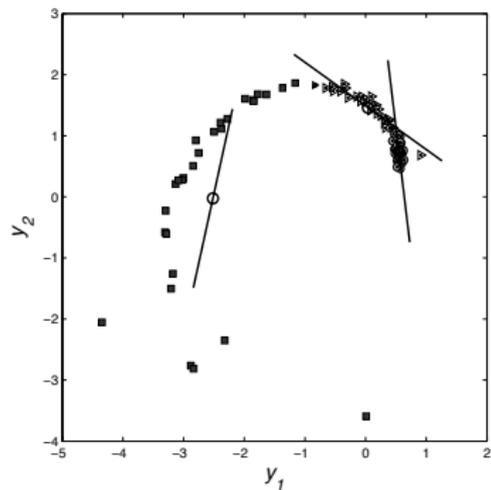
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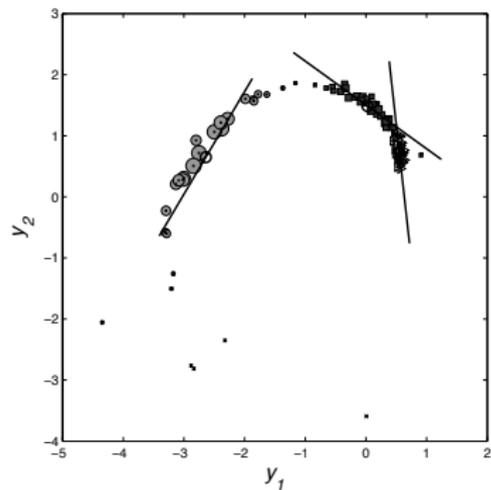
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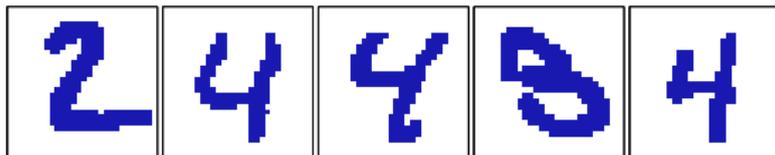


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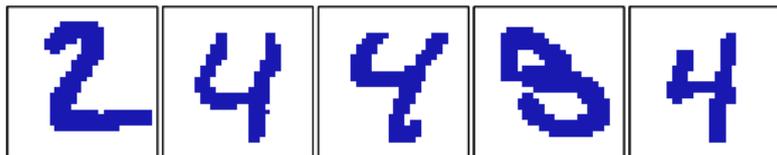
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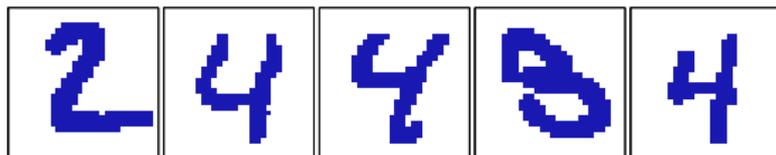


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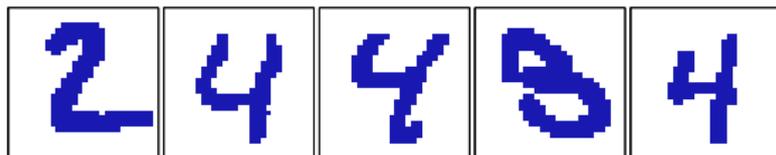
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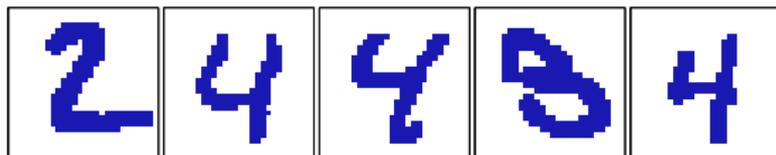
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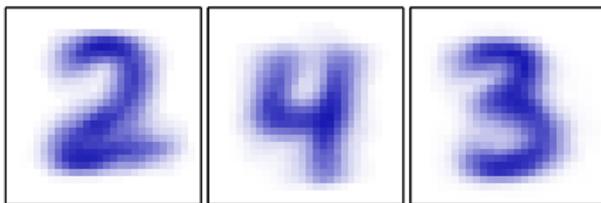
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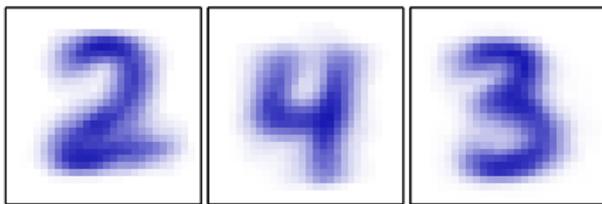
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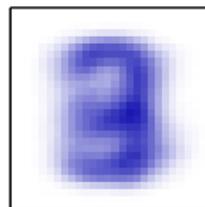


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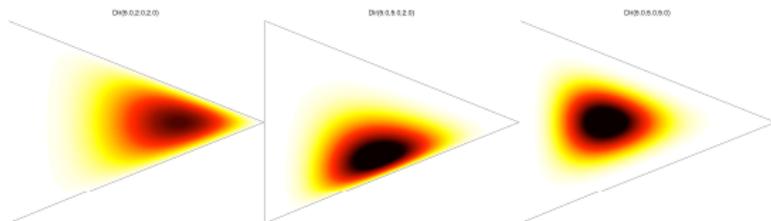
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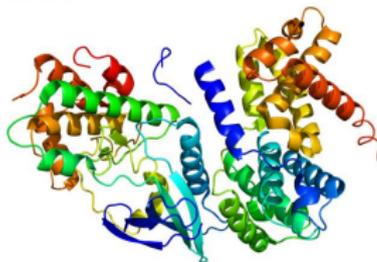
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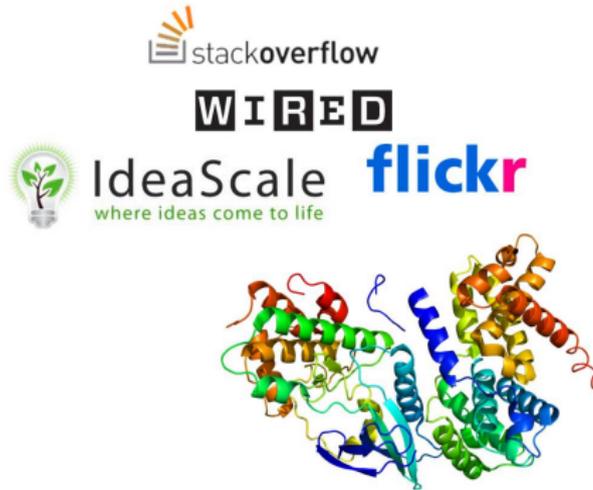
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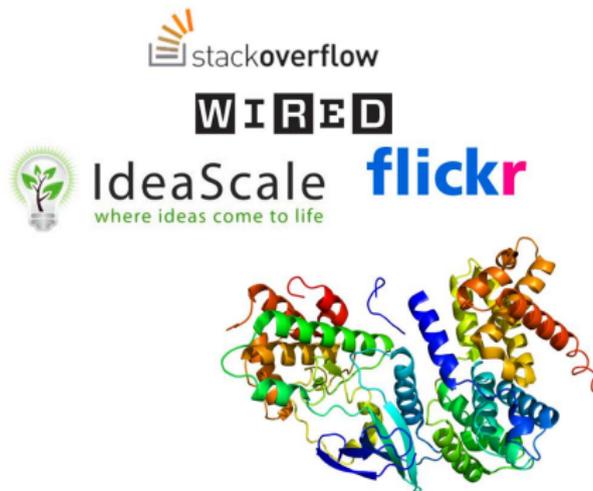


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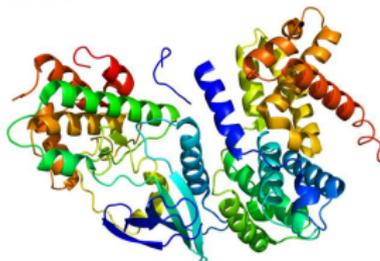
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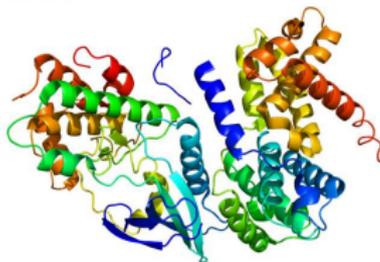
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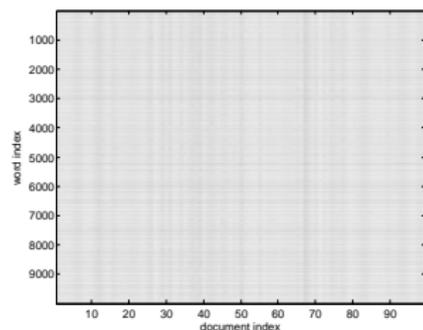
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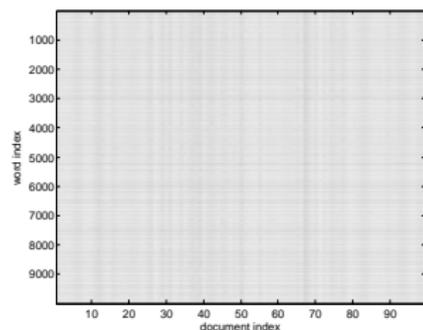
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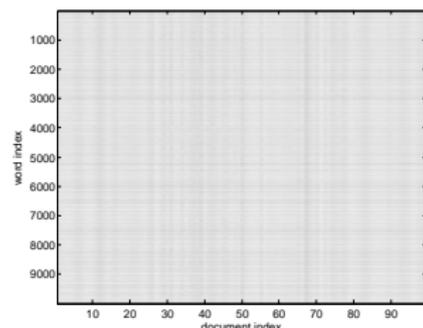
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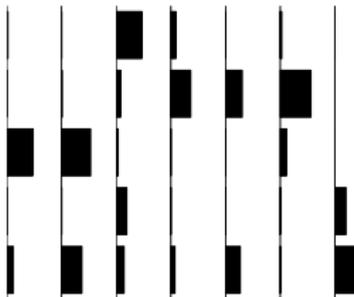
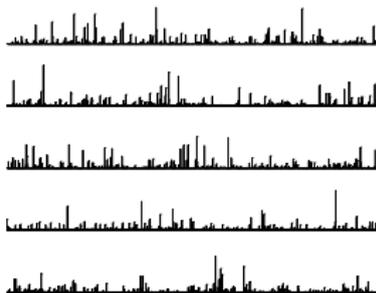
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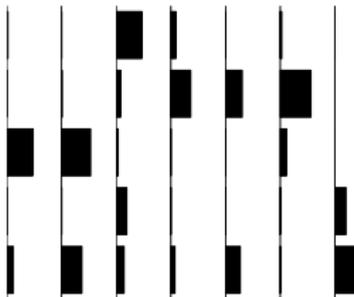
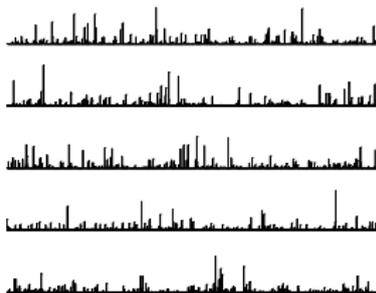
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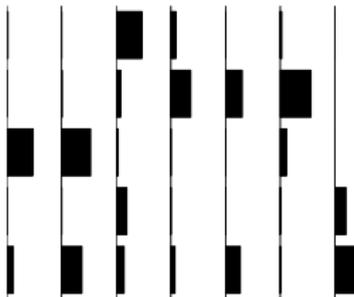
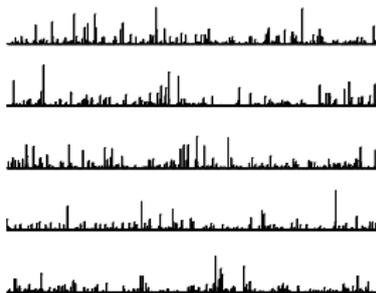
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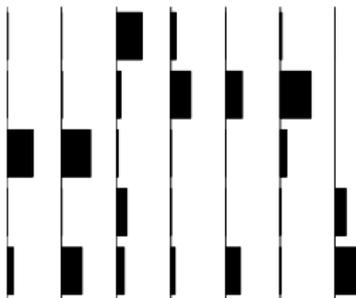
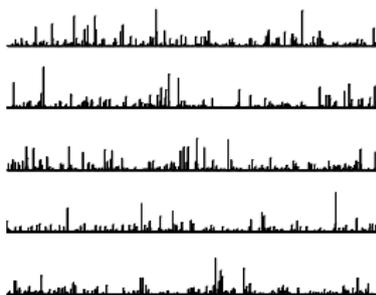


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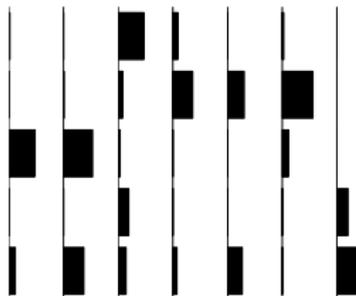
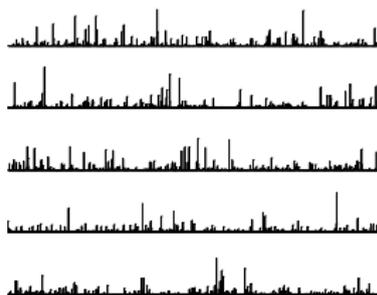


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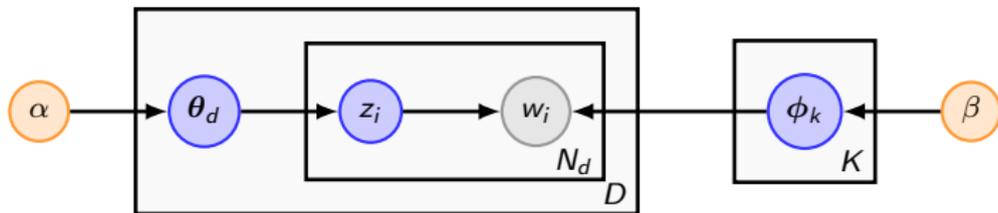
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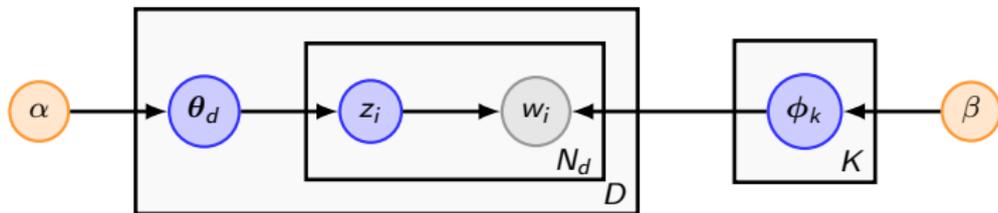
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