

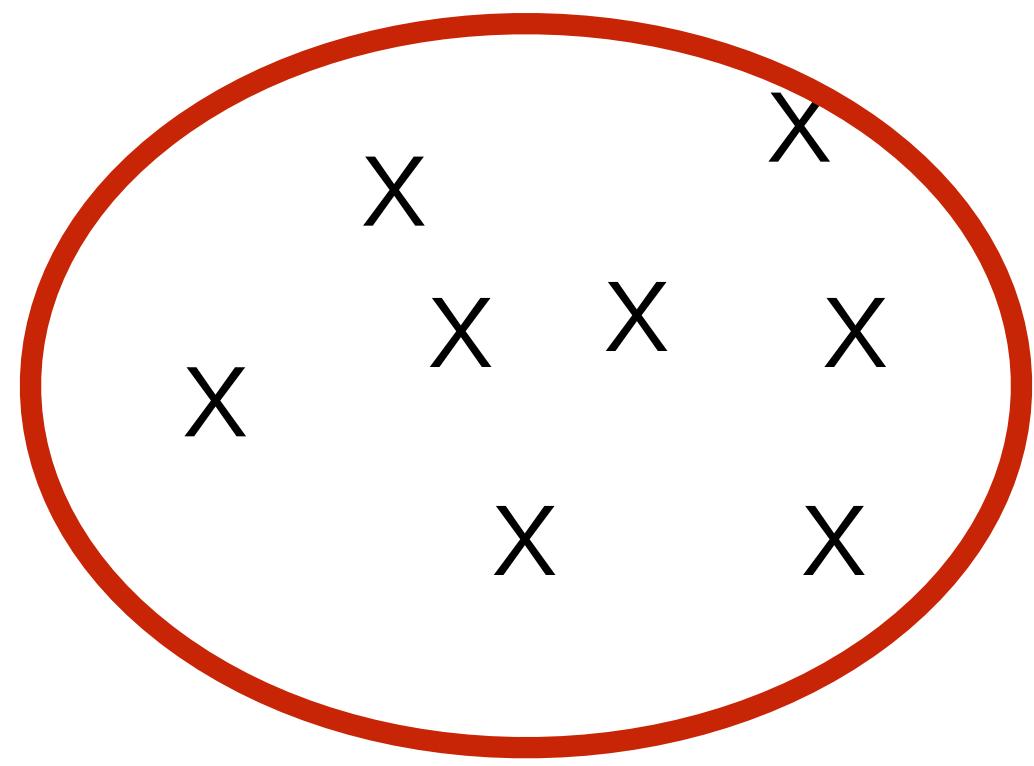
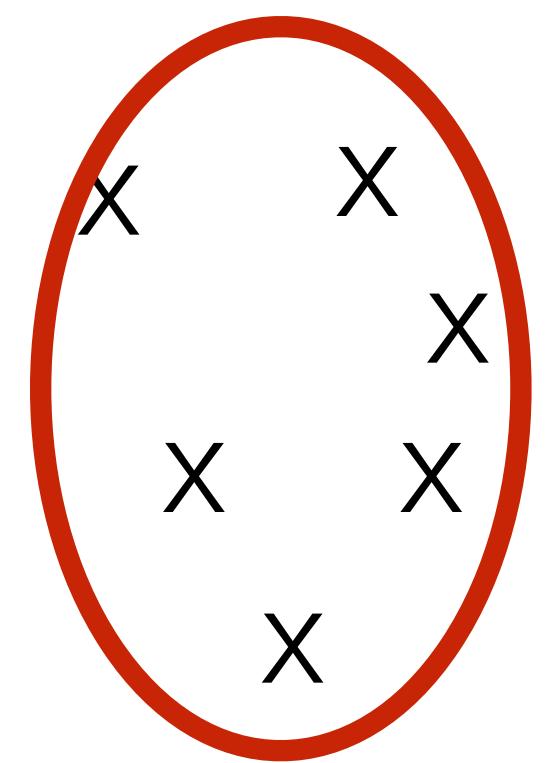
GMM Degeneracy

Machine Learning
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EM Likelihood Landscape

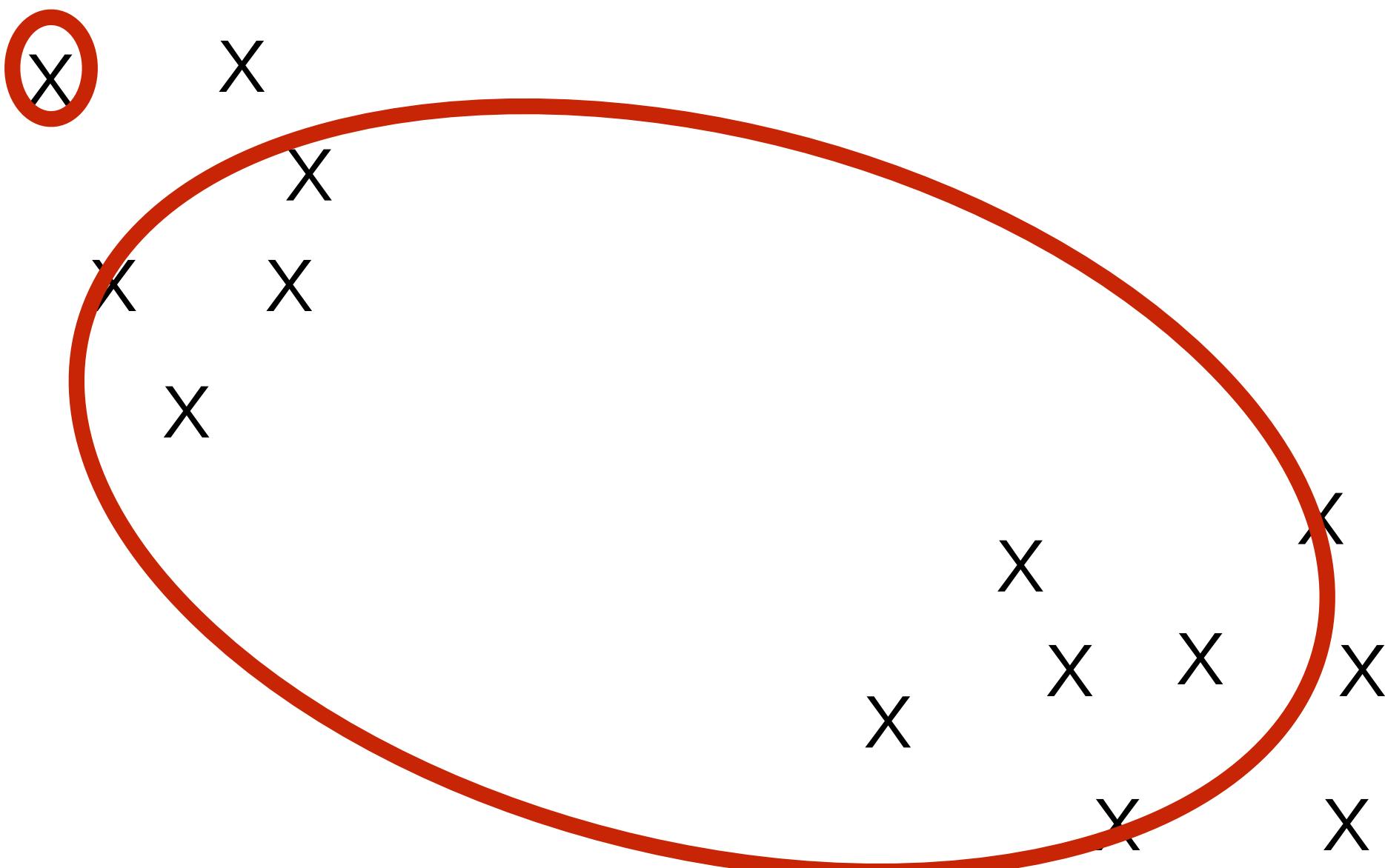




Global maximum?

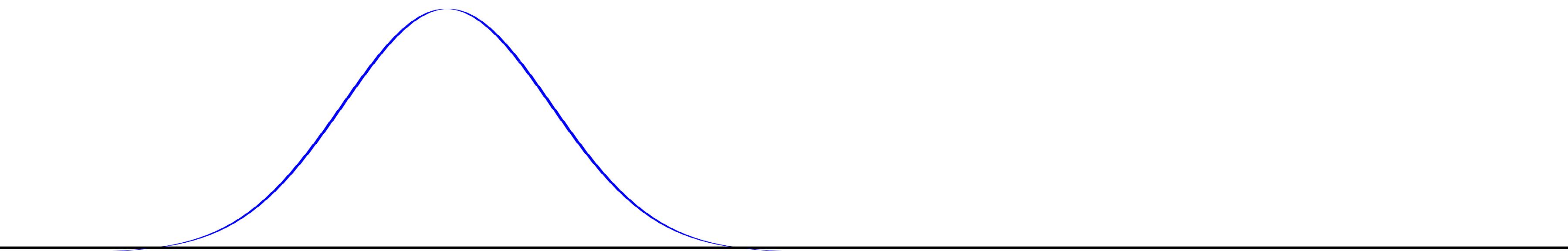
$$\Sigma_c \rightarrow [0]$$

$$L \rightarrow \infty$$

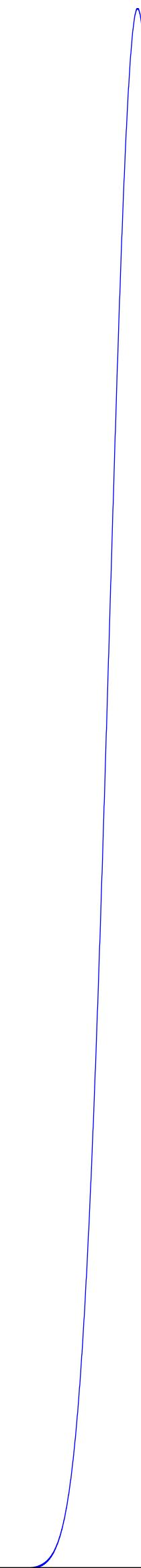


$$\sum_{i=1}^n \log \sum_{c=1}^K p(c) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi|\Sigma_c|}} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2}(x_i - \mu_c)^\top \Sigma_c^{-1} (x_i - \mu_c) \right)$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(x)dx = 1$$



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Fixes

- Good initialization
- Constrain covariance to have some bandwidth on each dimension