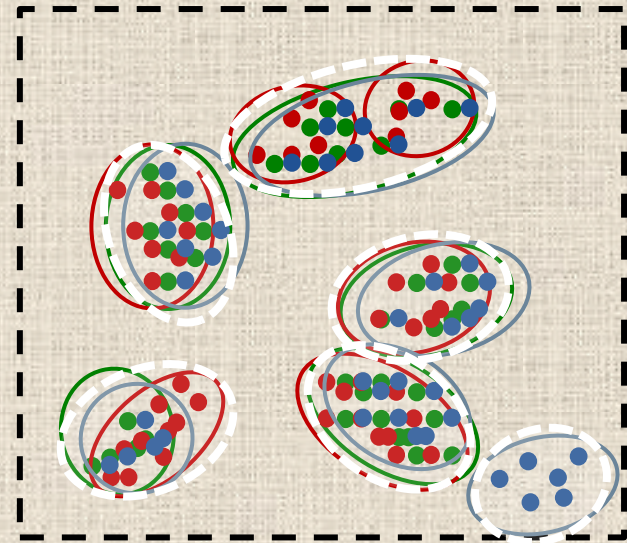
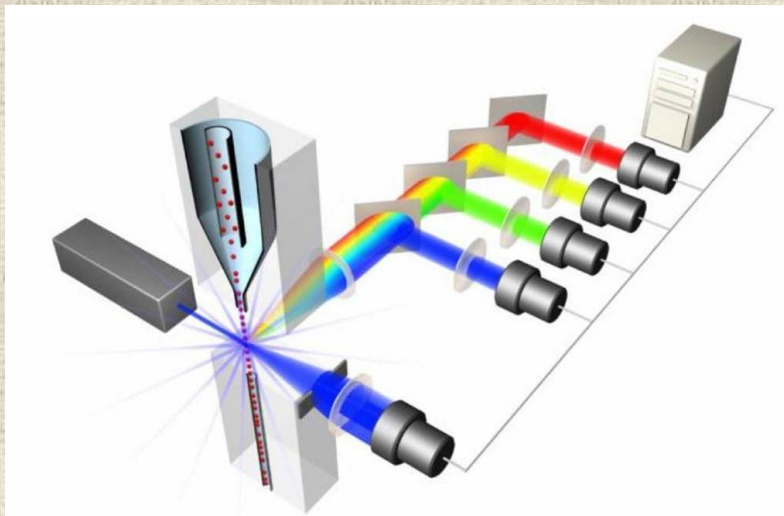


IDENTIFYING CROSS CLASS PHOSPHORYLATION DIFFERENCES IN COMPARATIVE FLOW CYTOMETRY



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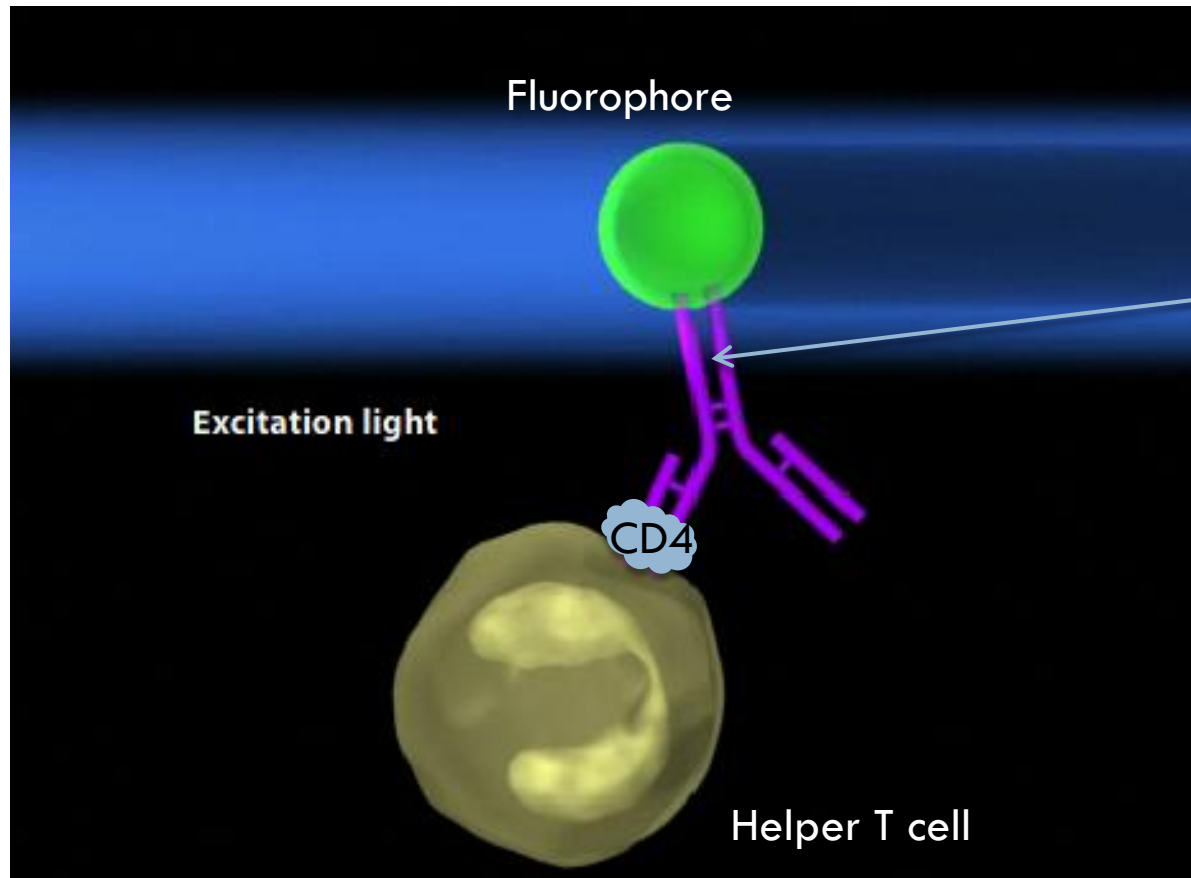
Outline

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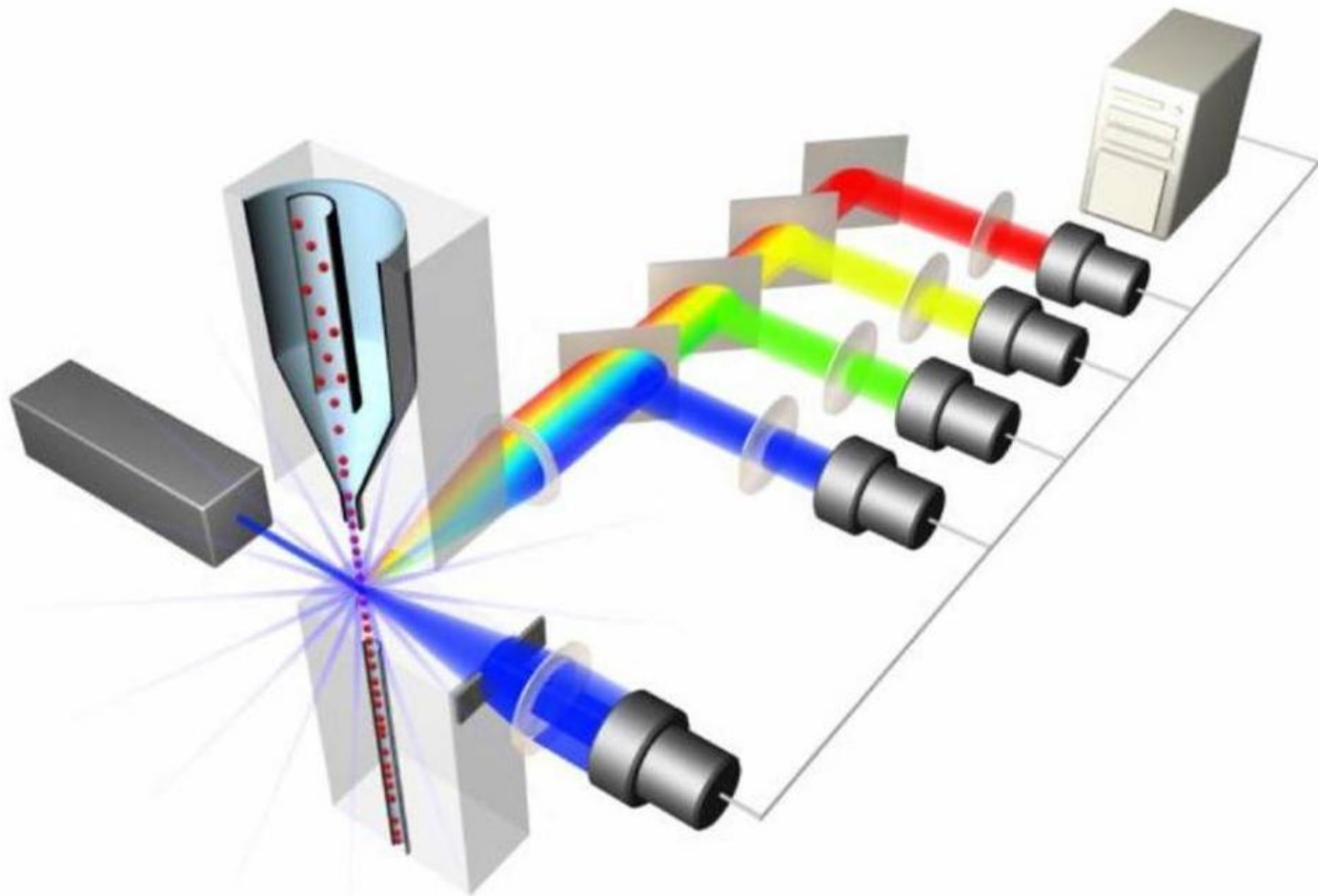
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Antibody that is able to bind to CD4

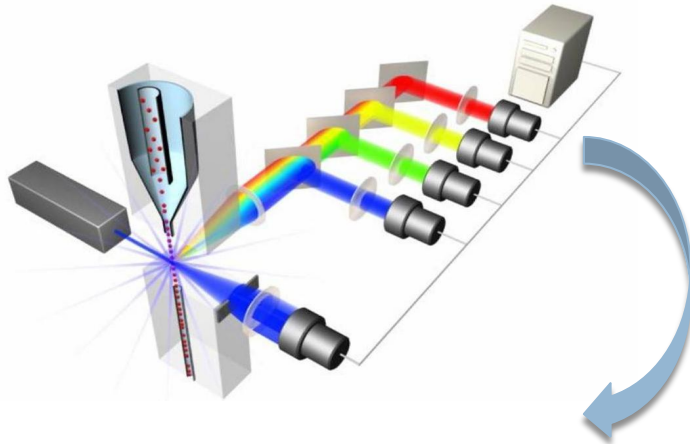
Flow cytometer data collection

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Flow cytometer data collection

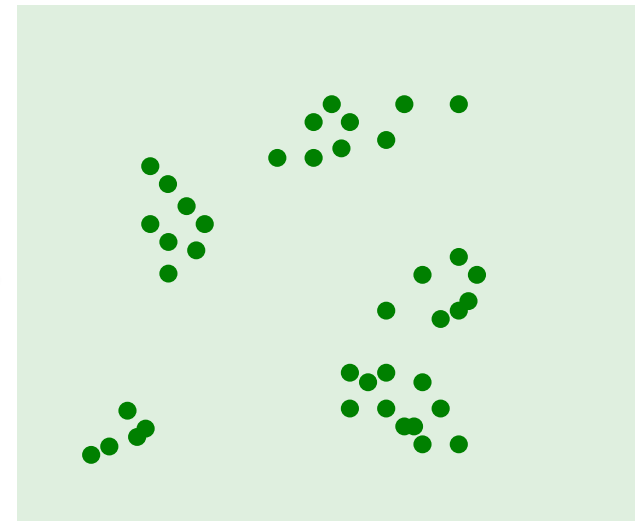
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| Cell-2 | 12 | 1 |
| Cell-3 | 3.3 | 4.4 |
| Cell-4 | 3.1 | 3.3 |
| | ... | ... |

Matrix format

Can be treated as an image!



Scatter plot

Assessing T cell phosphorylation effect

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- Adding a Phosphate group (PO_4) into a protein.
- May activate or deactivate the protein .
- May impact on the level of expression of other protein .
- It is known that in T cell the expression level of ZAP70 and SLP76 increases in a sample after phosphorylation event (Maier et. al 2007, Pyne et. al 2009)

Objectives

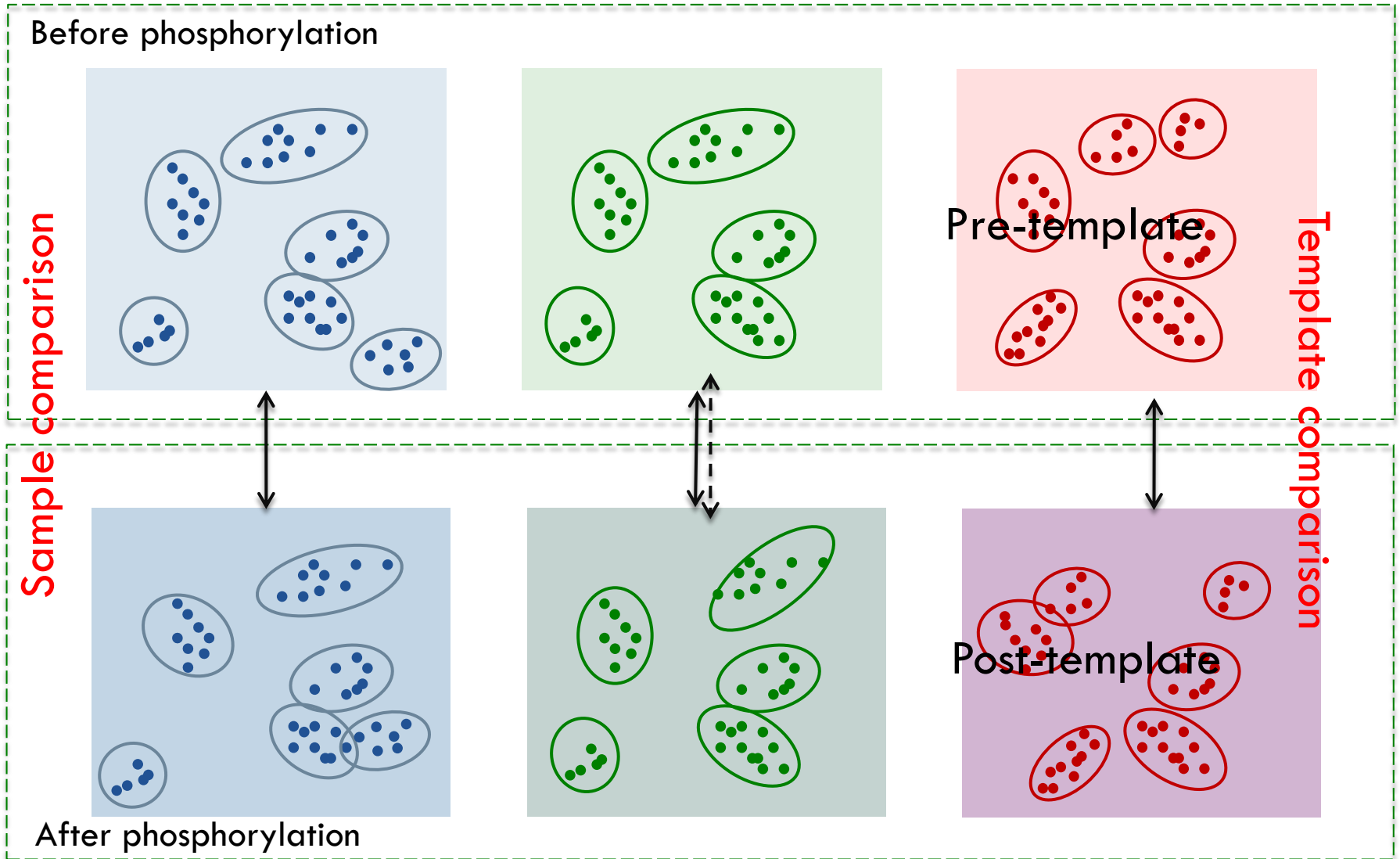
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- Input data
 - ▣ 30 blood samples stained with 4 fluorophores before and after phosphorylation .
 - ▣ Total 60 samples (each with 4 dimension)

- Compare phosphorylation pattern in general before phosphorylation and after phosphorylation (not particular pair of samples)
 - ▣ Identification of a template of all populations before phosphorylation and after phosphorylation.
 - ▣ Compare the two templates to find similarity or dissimilarity.

Effect of phosphorylation

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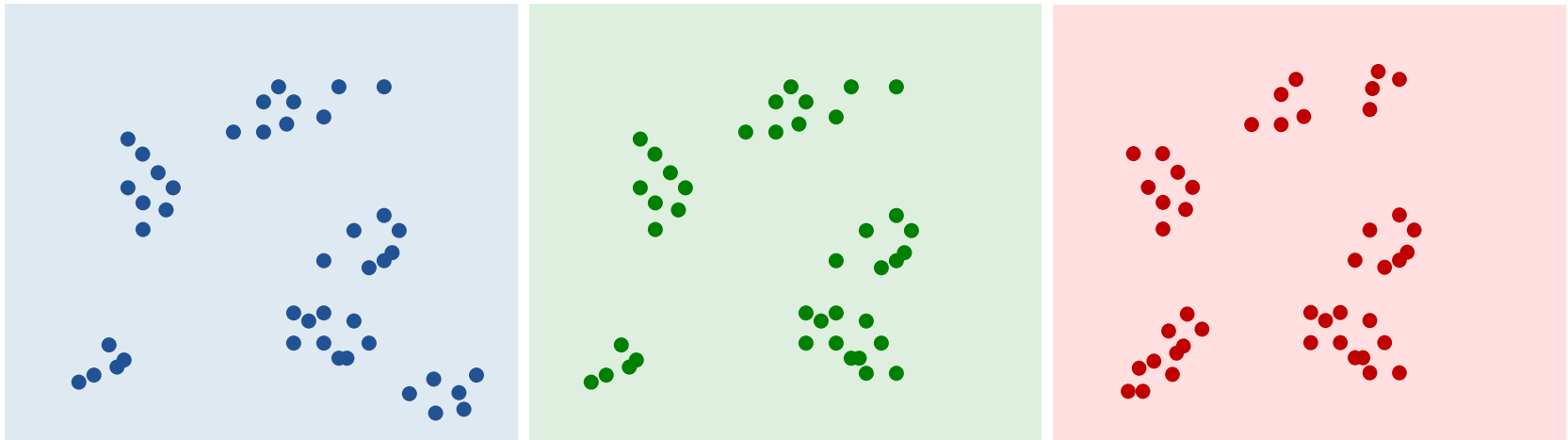


Method

Formation of Class Templates

Formation of class template

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Sample -1

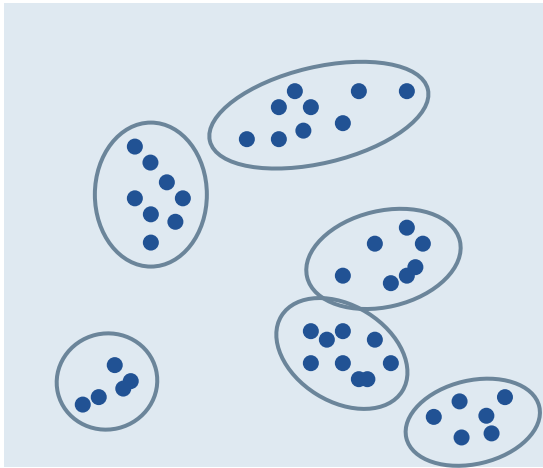
Sample -2

Sample -3

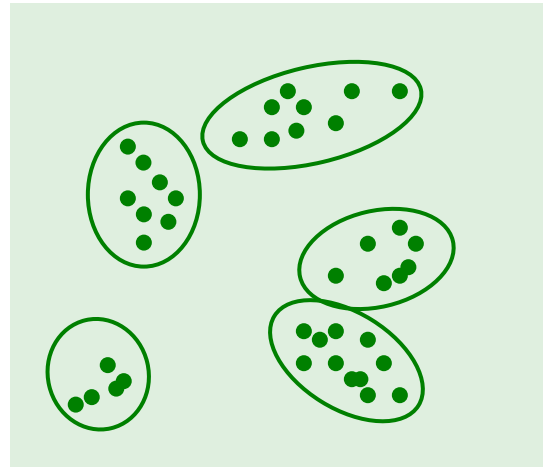
Visual representation of samples (2D)

Formation of class template - clustering

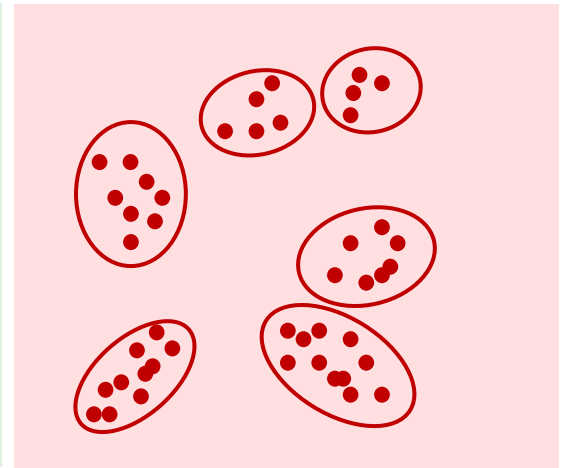
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Sample -1



Sample -2

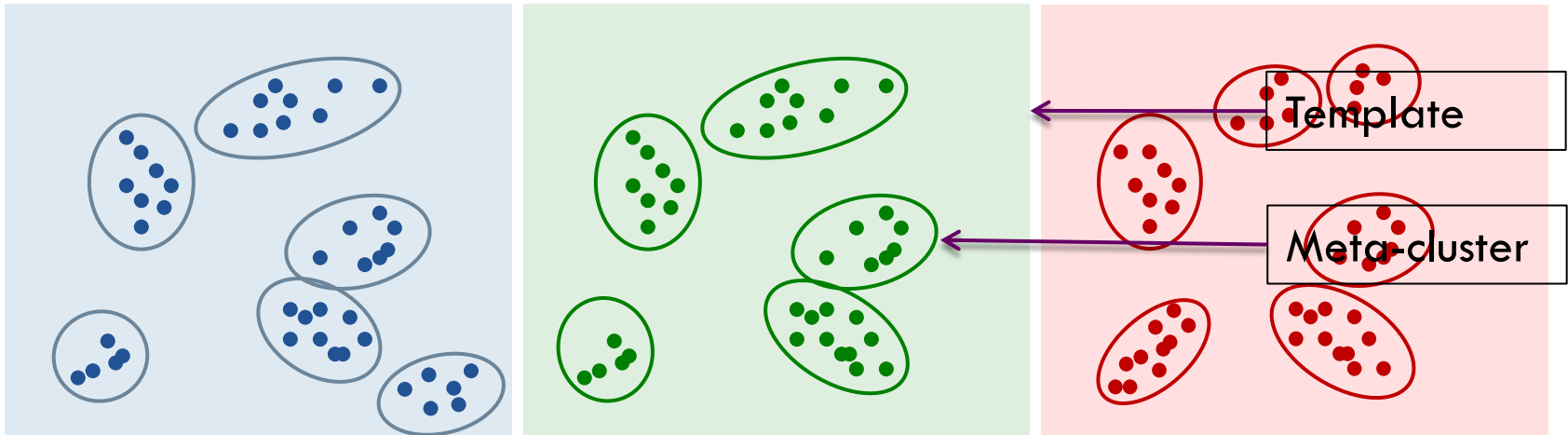


Sample -3

Input: N samples. Each sample already clustered.
Sample i has n_i clusters $\{c_{1}^i, c_{2}^i, \dots, c_{n_i}^i\}$

Meta-cluster : cluster of clusters

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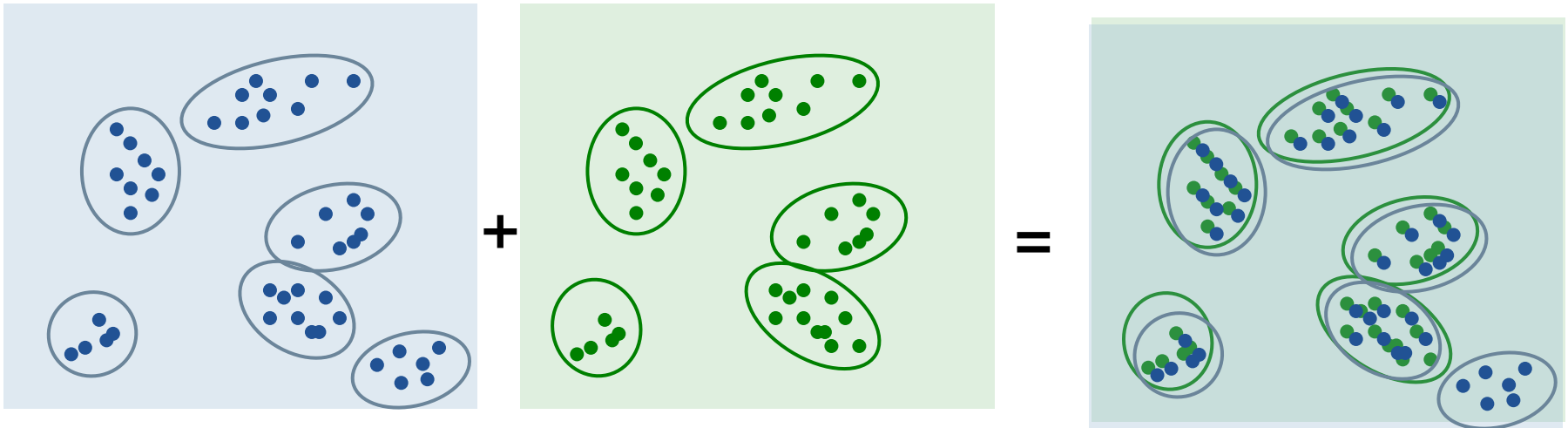


Output: From the N samples construct a template with k meta-clusters $\{m_1, m_2, \dots, m_k\}$ where every cluster from each samples are assigned to a unique meta-cluster.

Building block

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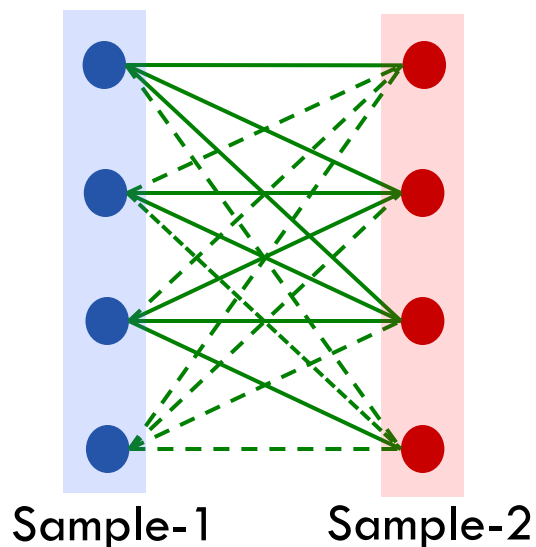
- Assume we have only two samples.
- We want to merge the two samples to form a template.



Template from two samples:

Generalized Edge Cover in a Bipartite Graph

- Construct a complete bipartite graph with clusters with clusters from Sample-1 on one side and from Sample-2 on the other side.
- Edge weights are KL-divergence between corresponding clusters.
- Edges with large weights are shown in dashed line.

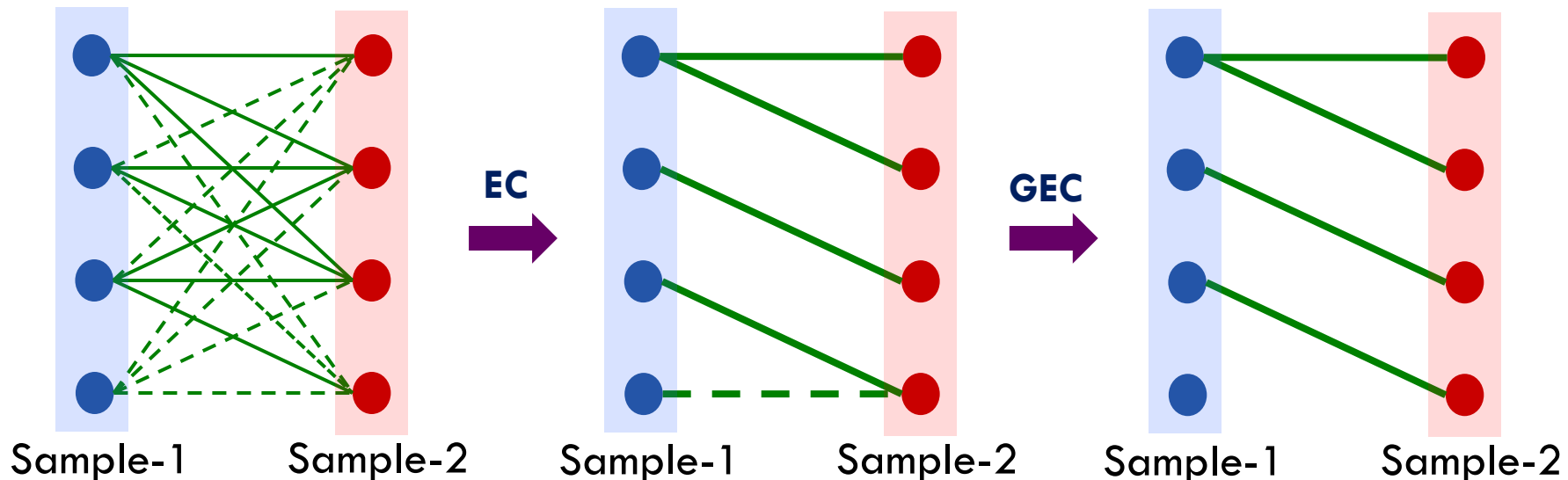


Template from two samples:

Generalized Edge Cover in a Bipartite Graph

- A generalized edge cover (GEC) is an edge cover which allows few uncovered vertices at the cost of a penalty (λ).

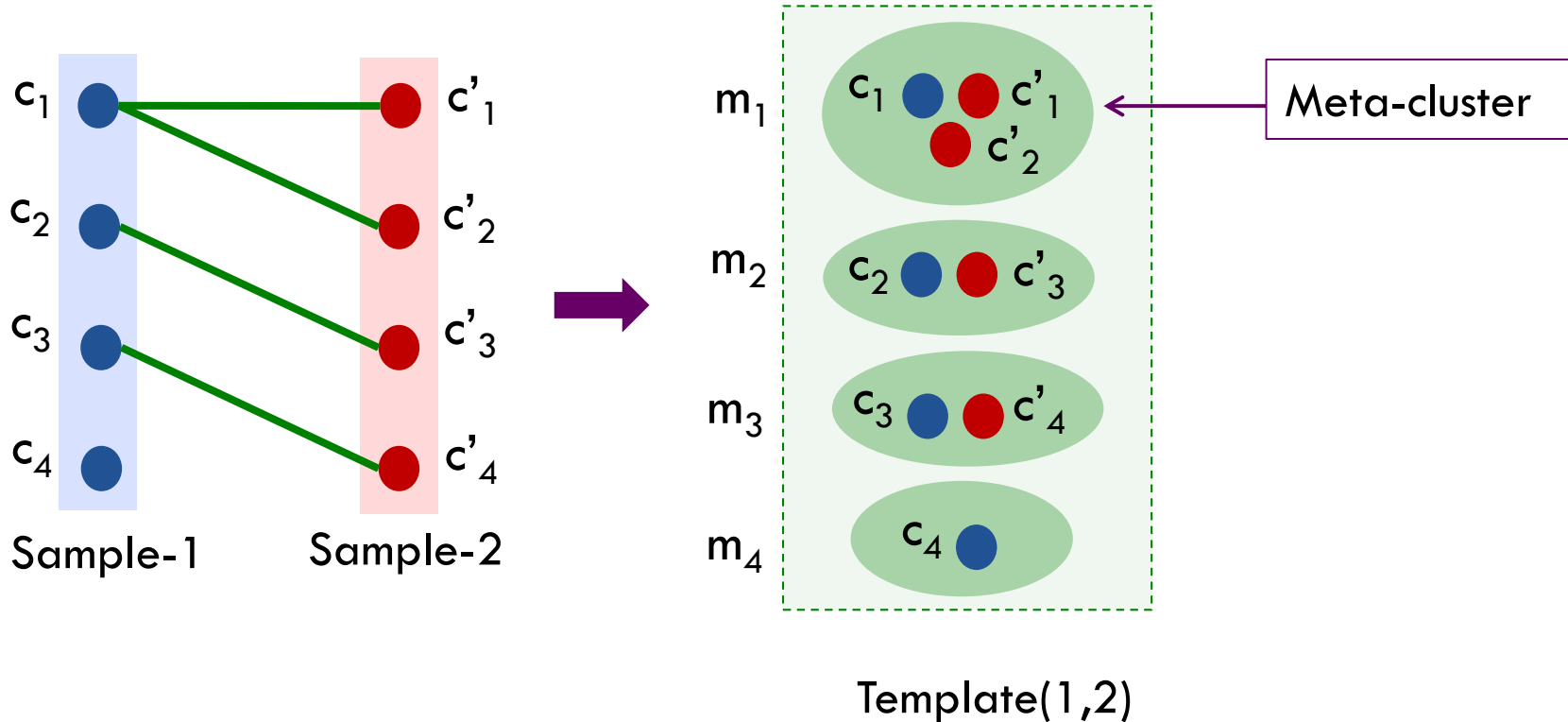
- Objective function: $\min \left(\sum_{(v_i, v_j) \in EC} c_{ij} + \lambda * |V_{uc}| \right)$



Template from two samples:

Generalized Edge Cover in a Bipartite Graph

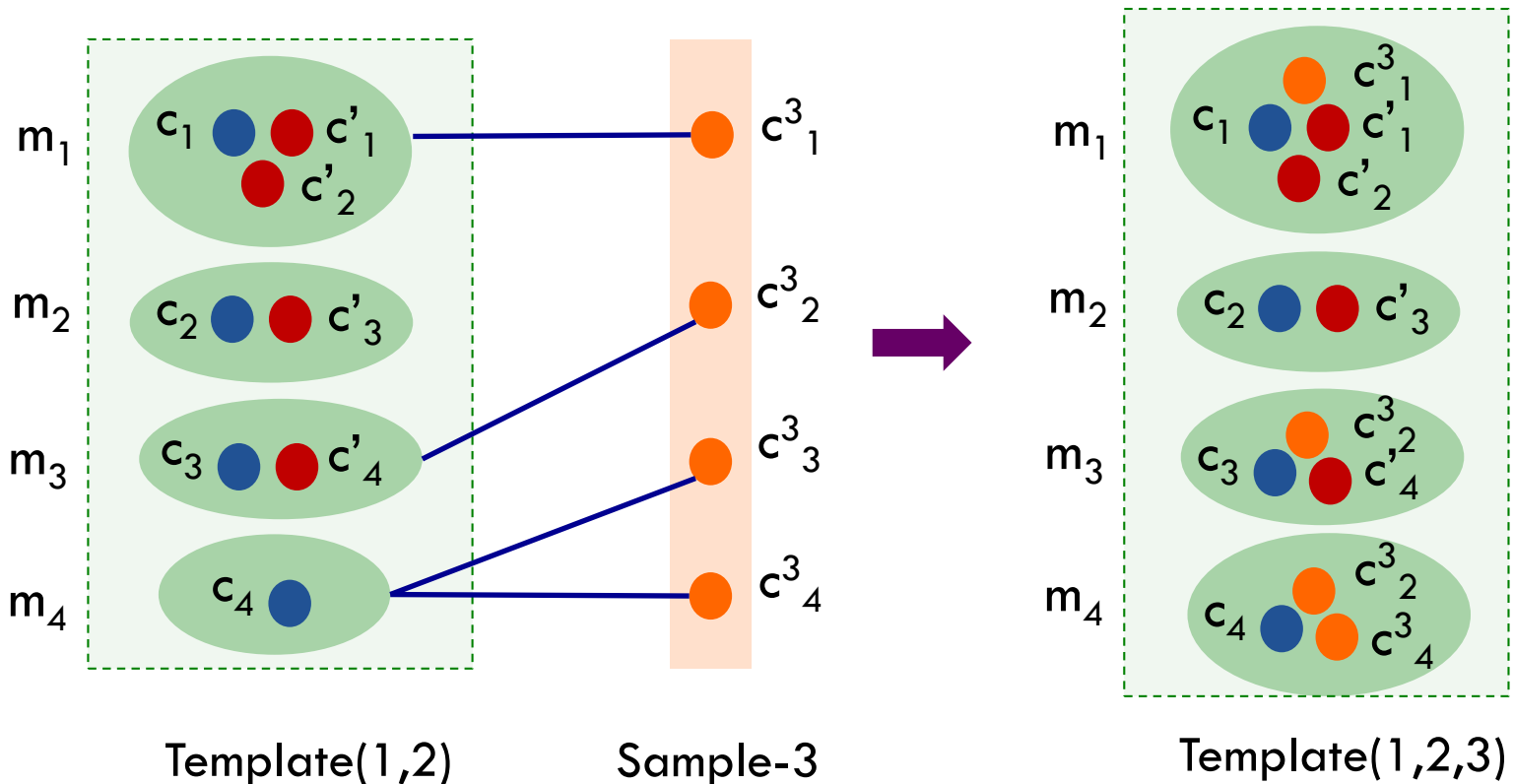
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Cascaded Merging of templates

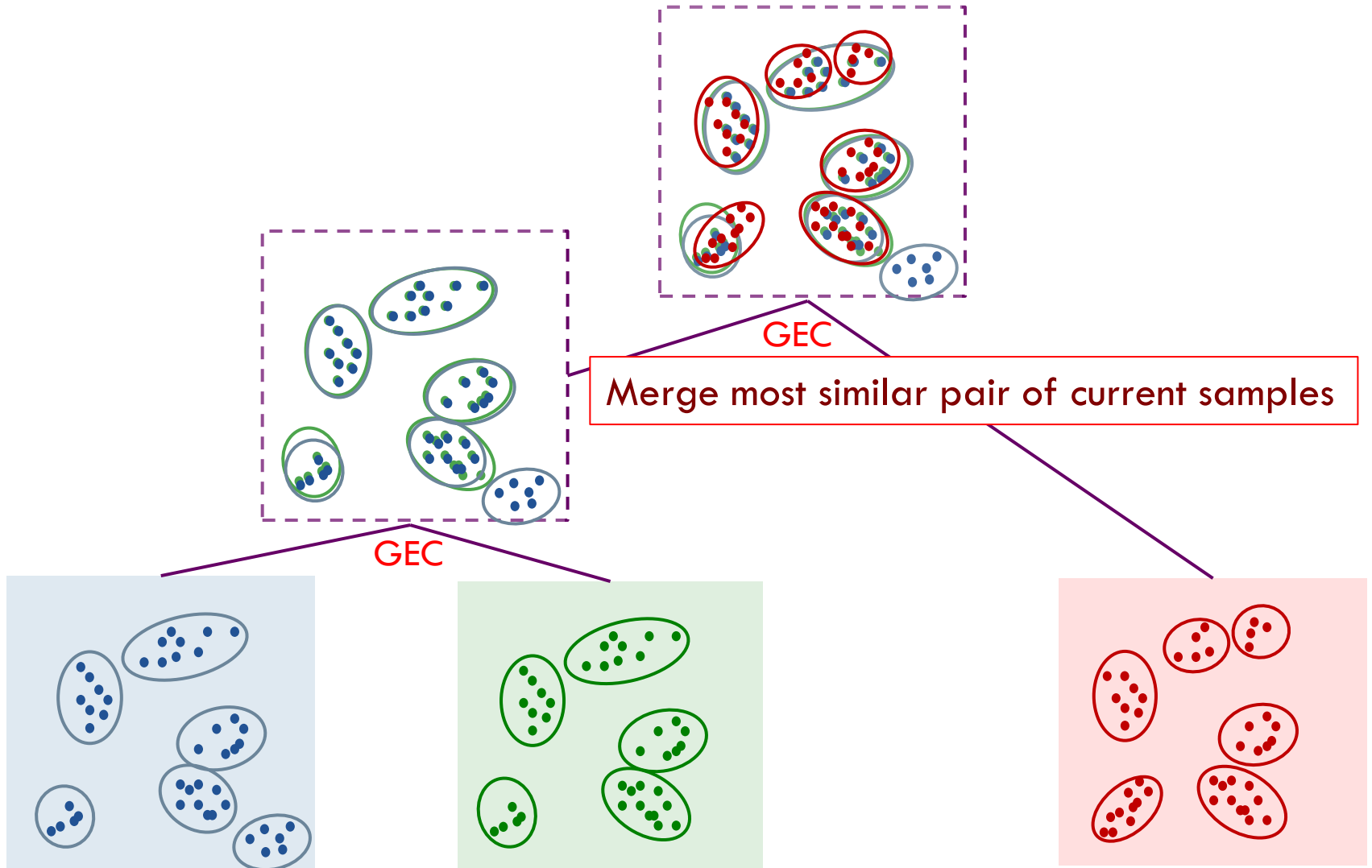
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- Template from three samples can be done by merging Template(1,2) and Sample-3.



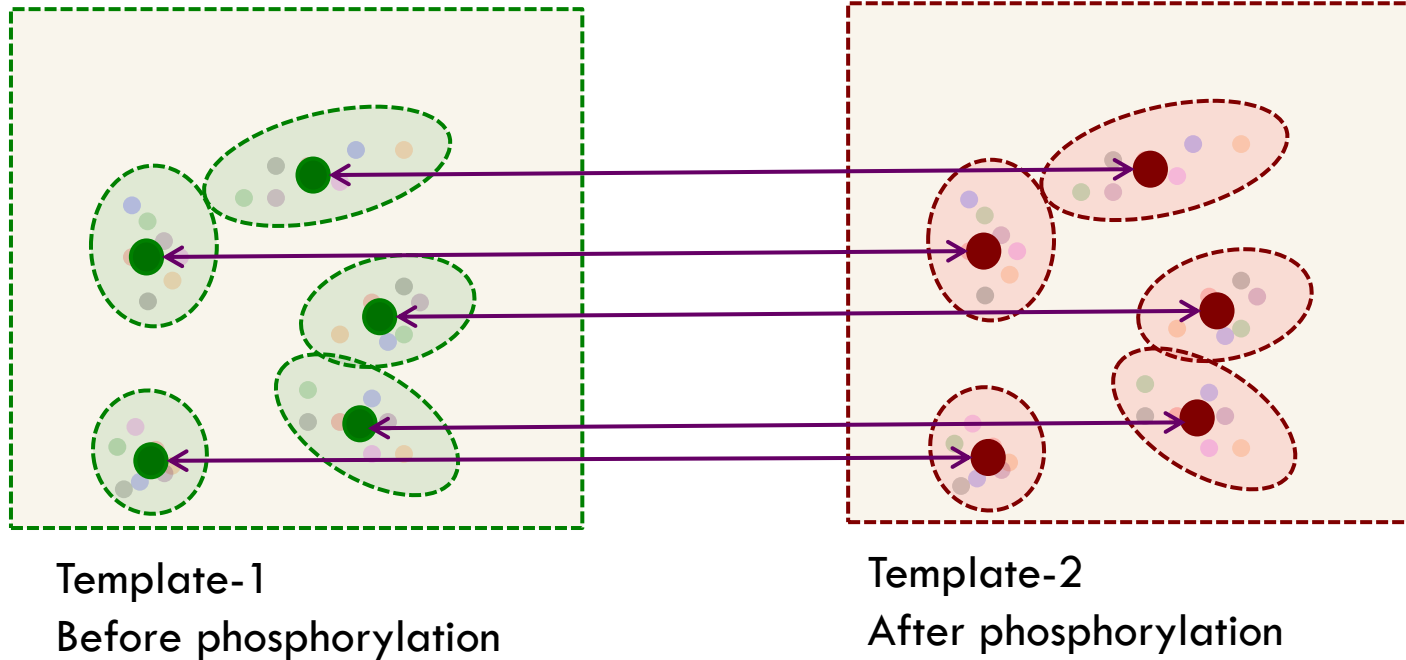
Hierarchical merging to form template

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Cross class matching

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Results

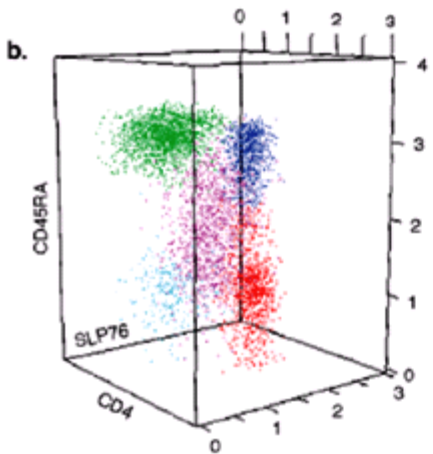
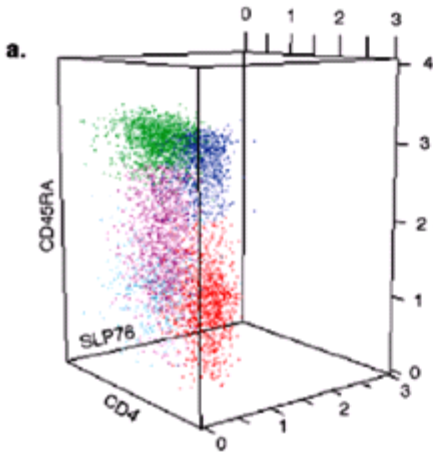
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- Detection of Phosphorylation effect in each sample
- Build template before and after phosphorylation
- Detection of Phosphorylation effect in meta-clusters.

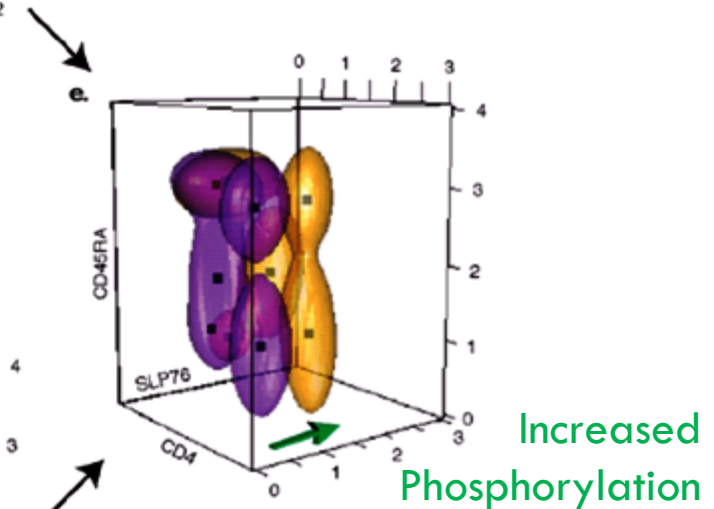
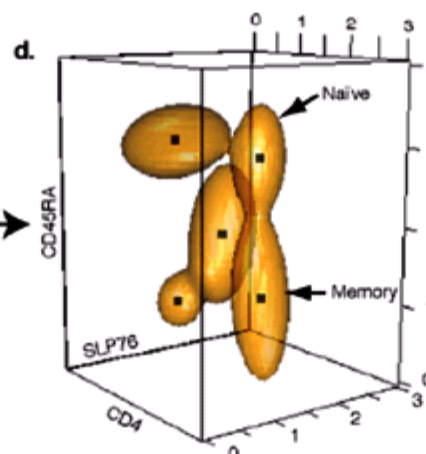
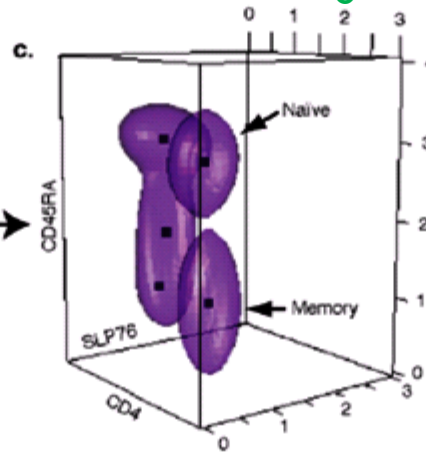
Phosphorylation effect on each sample

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Clustering samples



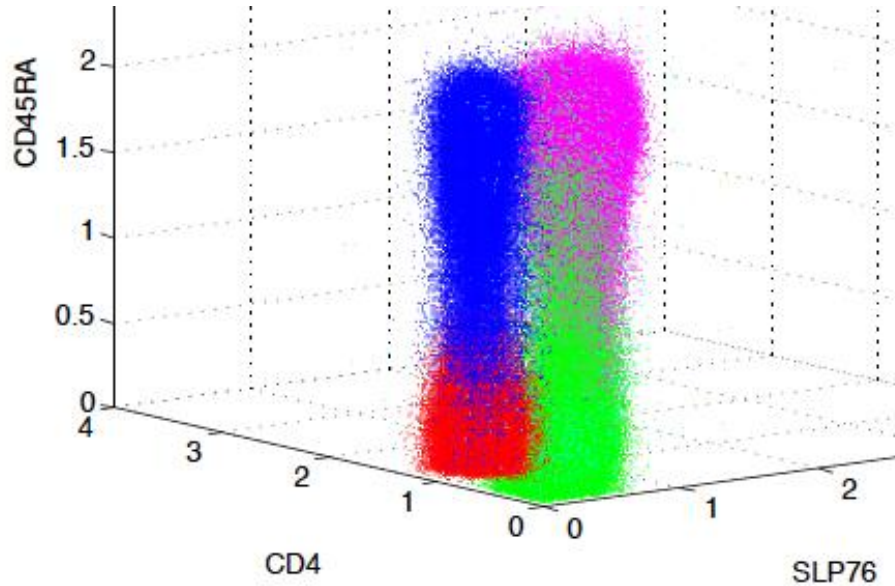
Parametric modeling and matching



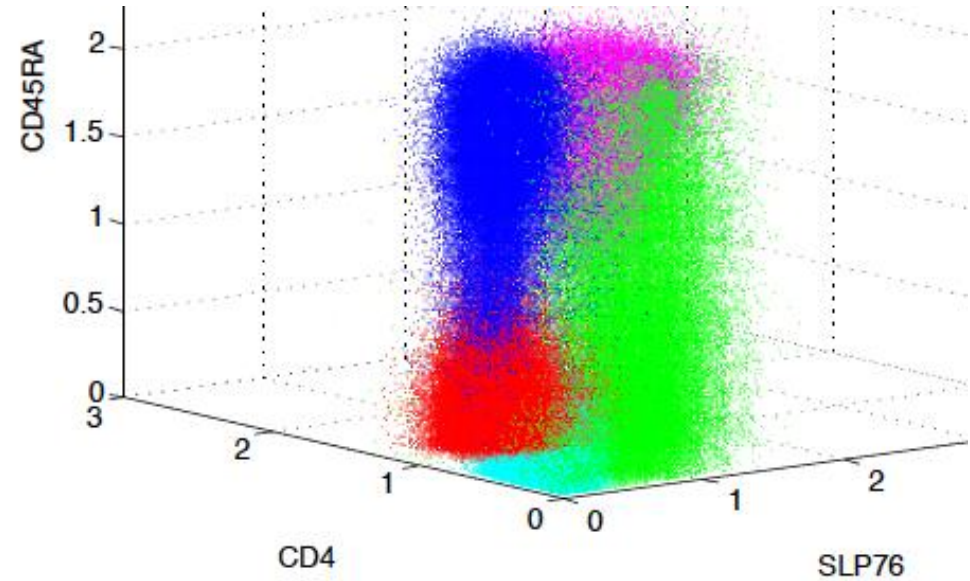
- Pre-stimulation
- Post-stimulation

Templates

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Pre-stimulation Template

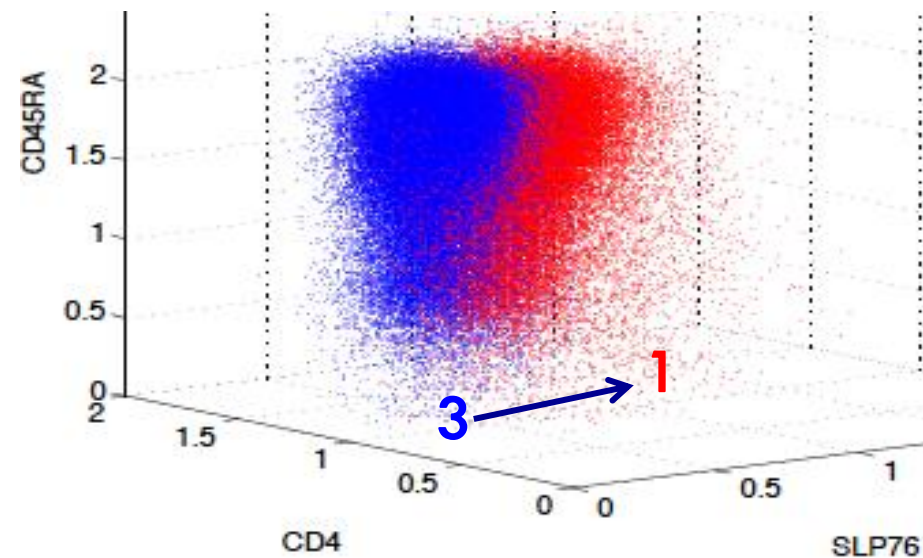
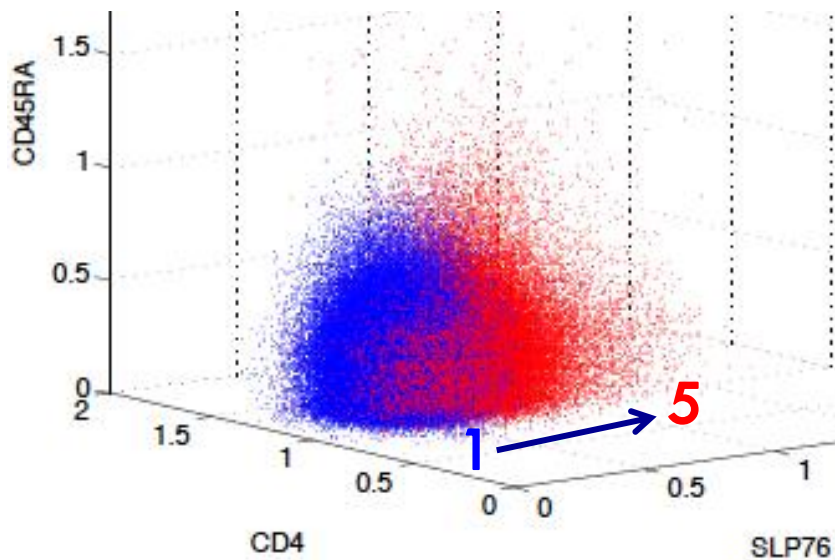


Post-stimulation Template

Detection of increased Phosphorylation

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 Before Phosphorylation
 After Phosphorylation



Shown for one meta-cluster at a time

Discussion

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- Can be considered as a general method of forming template from any non biological images.

Other challenging applications (change of facial expression)

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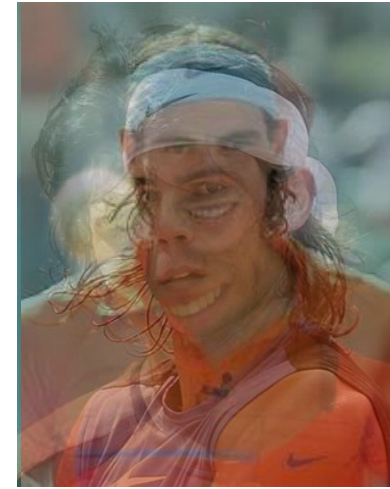
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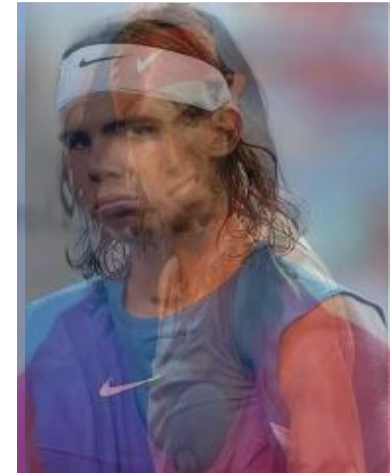
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Thank You

- Supporting slides

Other applications

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□ Image template



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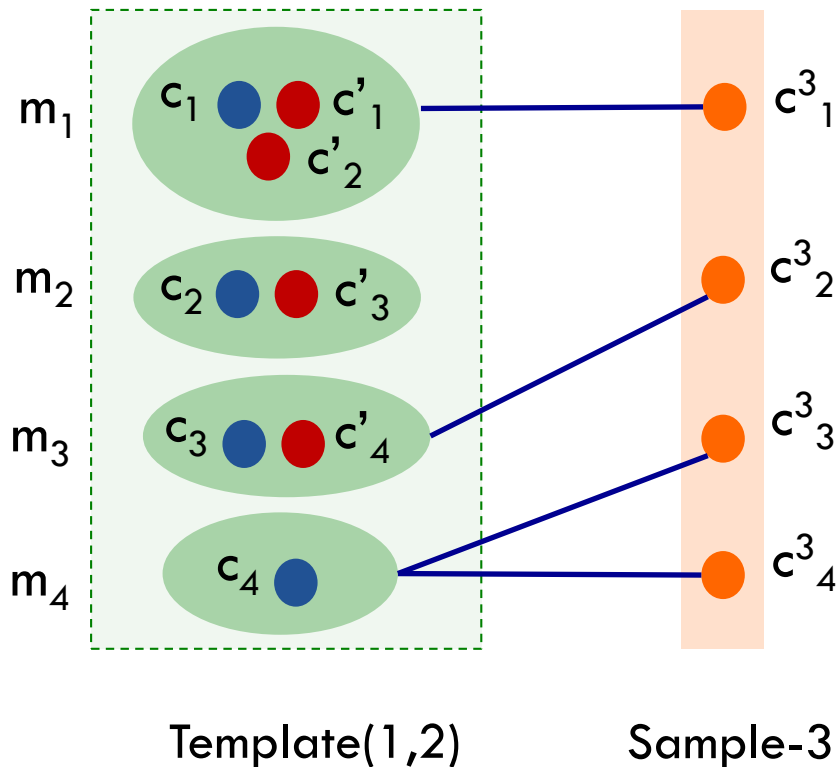
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A closer look at GEC

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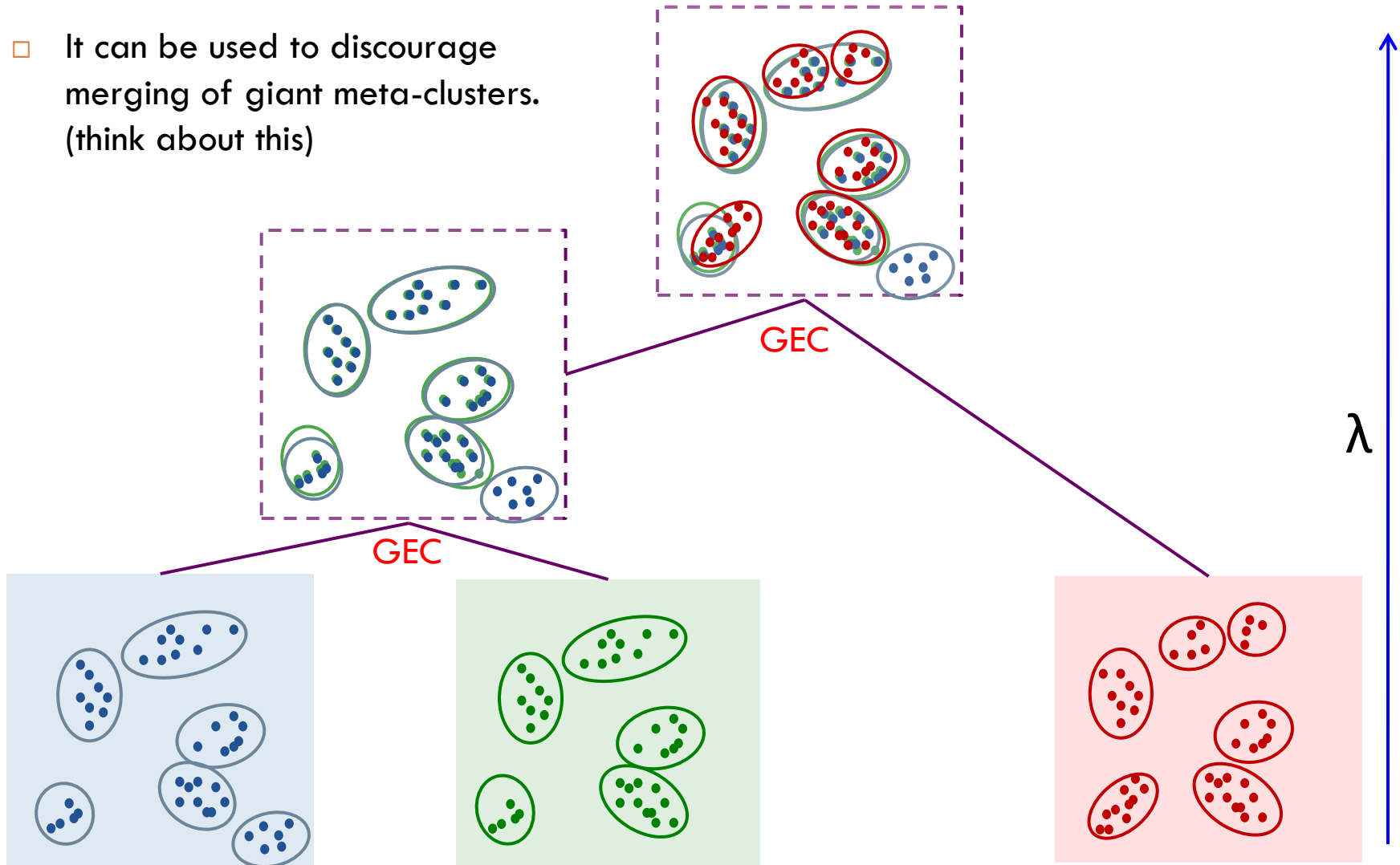
- Number of original clusters present in a meta-cluster can be used as vertex-weight.



A closer look at (λ)

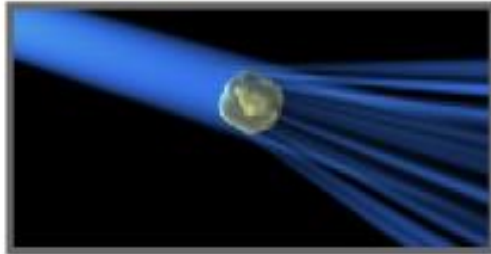
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- It can be used to discourage merging of giant meta-clusters. (think about this)

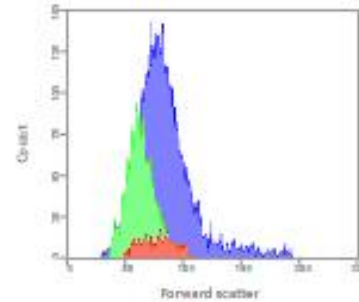


Data collection in Flow cytometry

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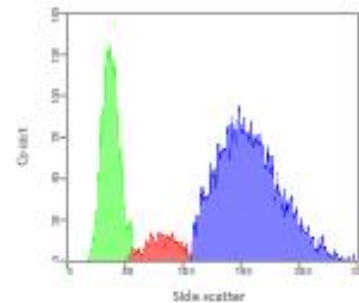
Forward scatter



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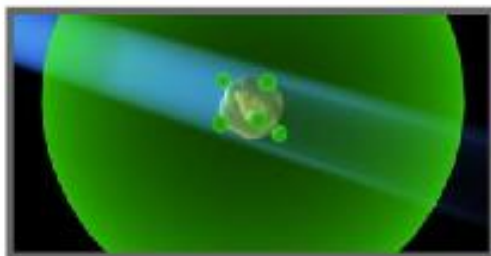


Side scatter

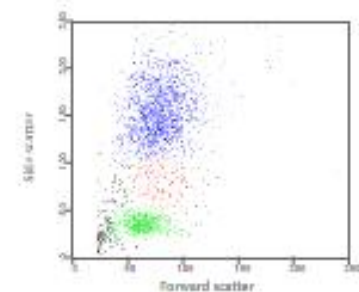


Complexity

Phenotype



Fluorescence

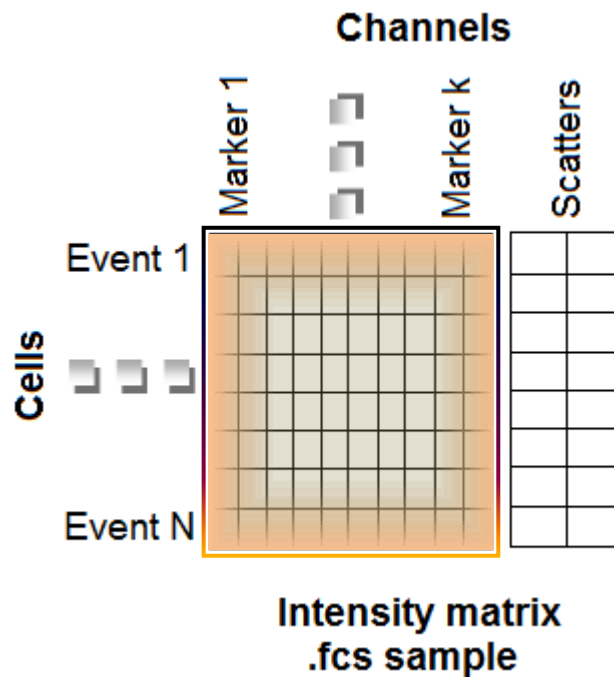


Health

Output obtained from flow cytometry

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- We obtain multiple properties of a single cell from the experiment.
- Example



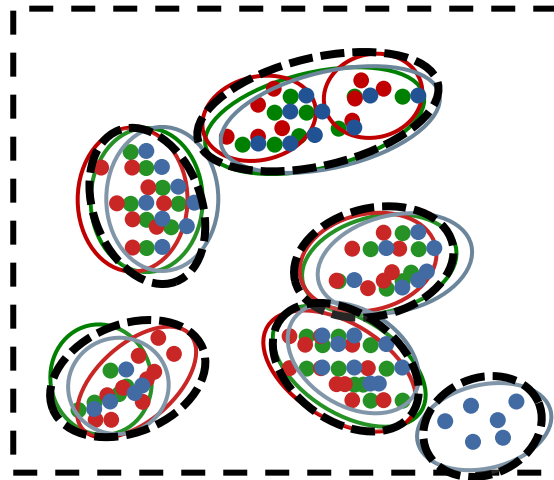
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| Cell-4 | 2.2 | 2.1 | 3.1 | 3.3 |
| | ... | ... | ... | ... |

Two extreme solutions

1. Fine grained meta-clustering

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- Cluster all points from every sample together to form meta-cluster
- Assign cluster c_i^j to meta-cluster m_k if majority of the elements in c_i^j belongs to m_k .



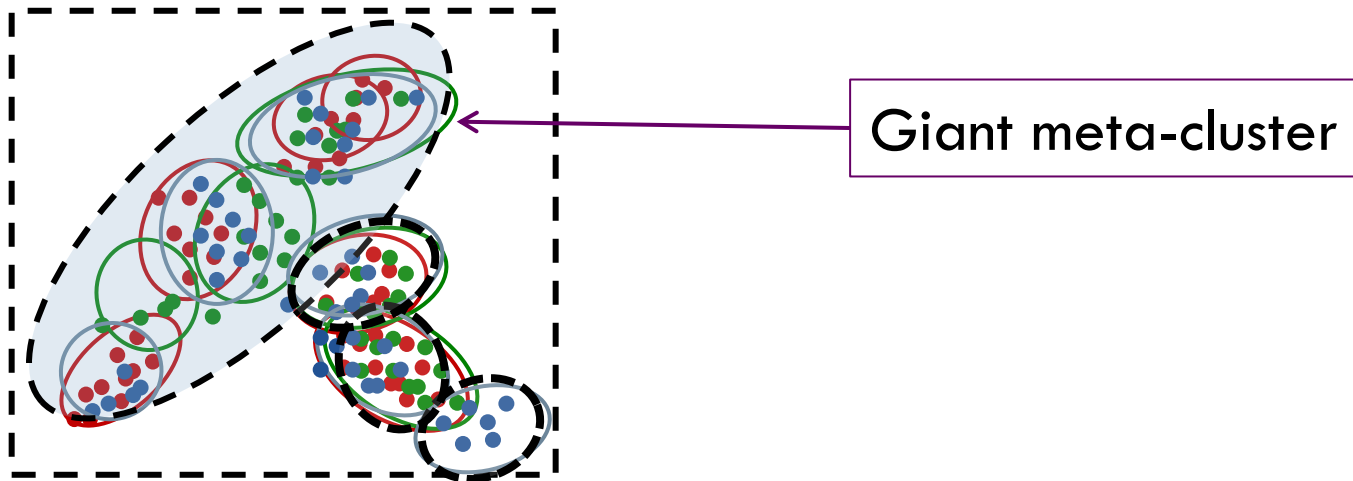
Two extreme solutions

1. Fine grained meta-clustering

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□ Limitations:

- For many samples computationally too expensive.
- Giant Meta-clusters problem.
- Single cluster may be spread over many meta-clusters

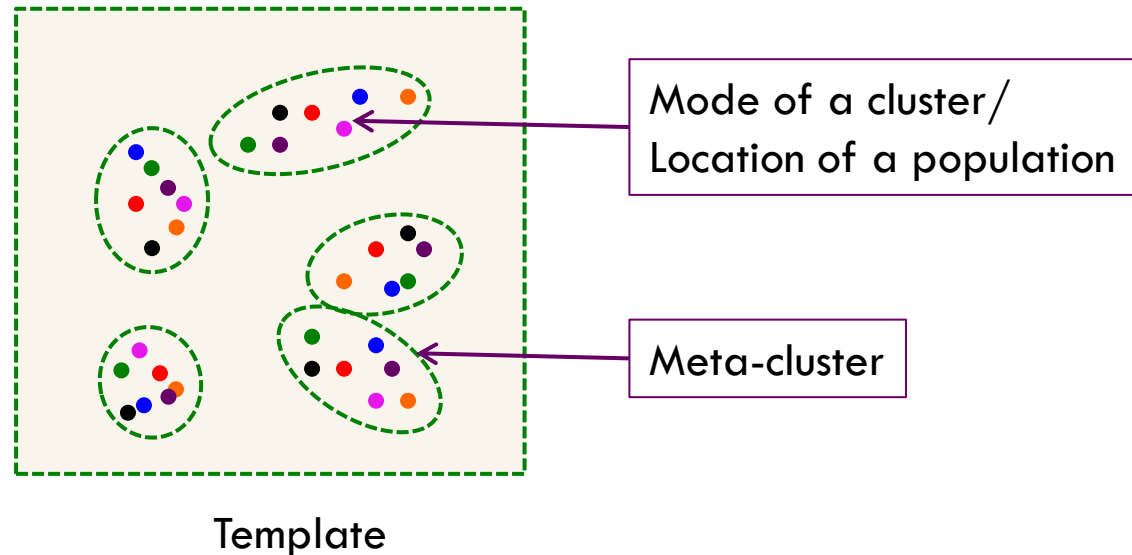


Two extreme solutions

2. coarse grained meta-clustering

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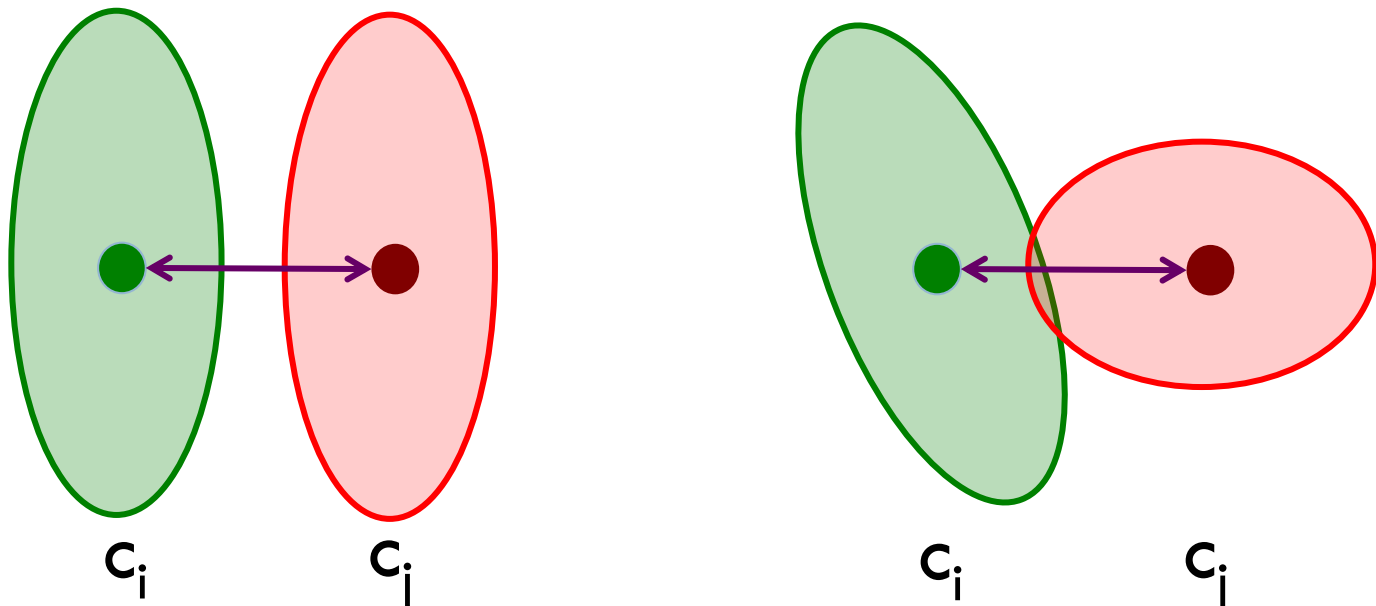
- Cluster centers/locations of all clusters from each sample to form meta-cluster.
- Assign cluster c_i^i to meta-cluster m_k if center of c_i^i belongs to m_k .



Dissimilarity / distance measure

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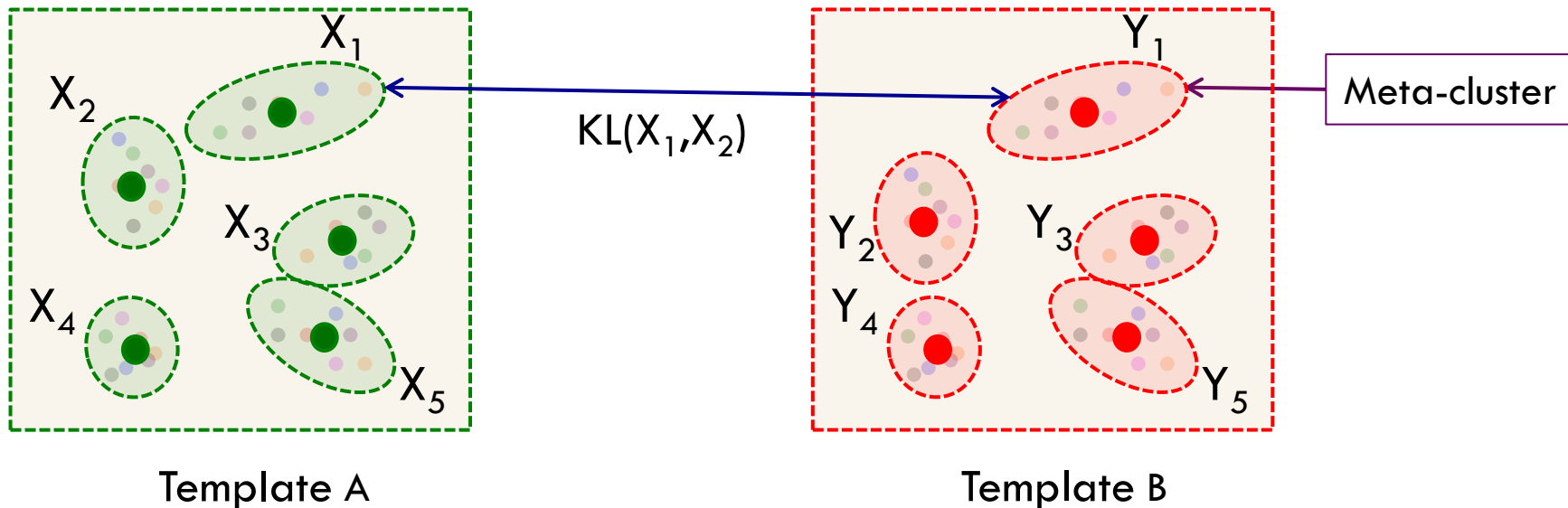
- Consider the location and shape of every cluster during meta-clustering.
- Dissimilarity measure or distance should be different.
- Use KL-divergence or mutual information



Issues: distance between meta-clusters

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2. KL divergence of the distribution of the meta-clusters
(merging of distributions are required after matching)



Hierarchical merging of templates

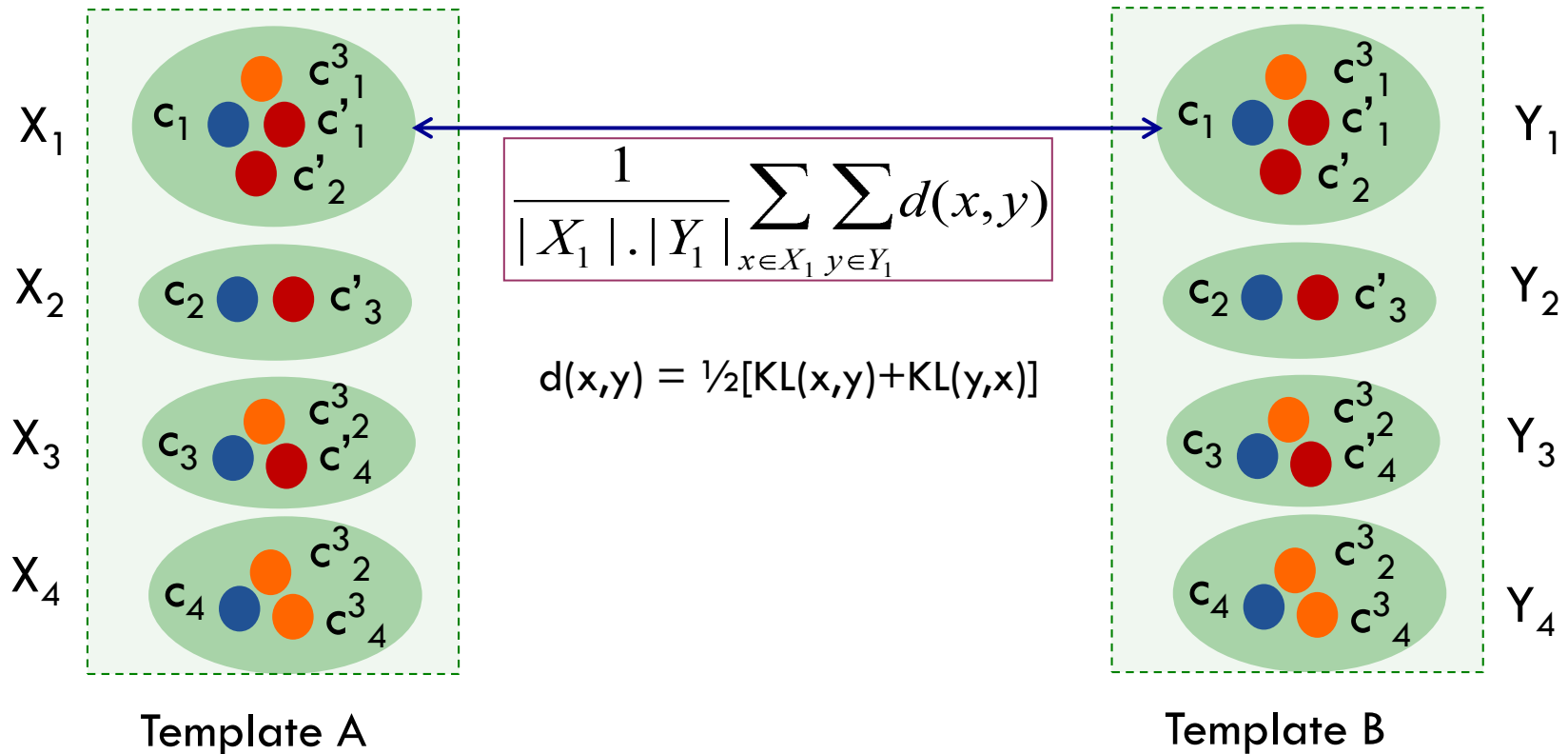
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- We know how to merge templates
 - ▣ After merging what will be the distance from the new meta-clusters to (meta-)clusters in other templates/sample ?
 - ▣ What will be the order of merging ?

Issues: distance between meta-clusters

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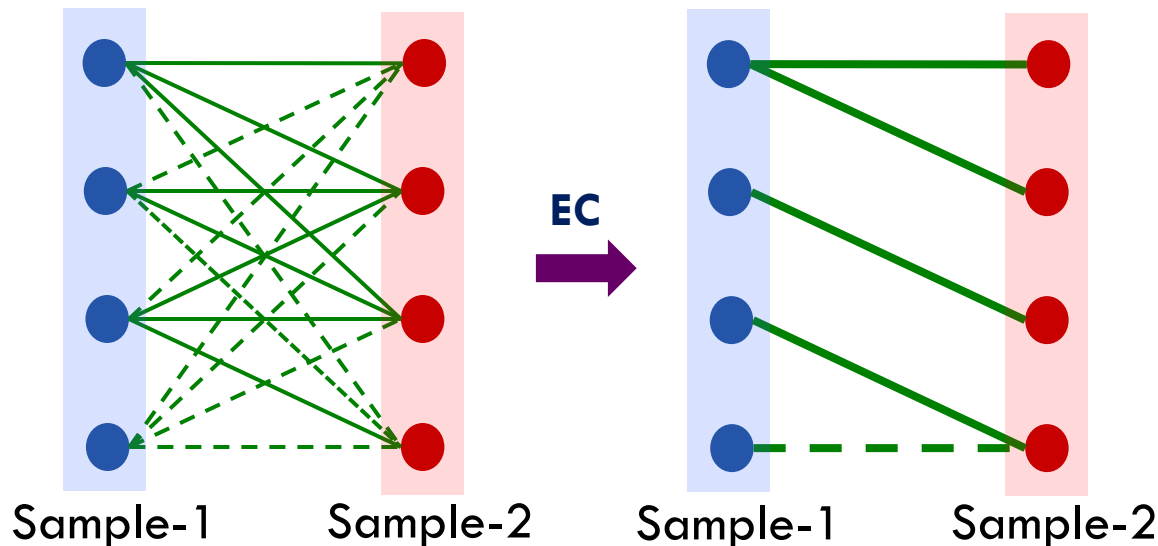
Average of the distances of the members



Template from two samples:

Generalized Edge Cover in a Bipartite Graph

- A minimum-weight edge cover (EC) is a subset of edges such that every vertex is incident to at least one edge of the set and summation of weight of edges in the set is minimum.
- Objective function: $\min \left(\sum_{(v_i, v_j) \in EC} c_{ij} \right)$



Issue-2: Order of template merging

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- Use a measure of partition distance
 - ▣ Small if two partitions are similar, large if dissimilar
 - ▣ Partition distance as defined in Gasfield (2003) can not be used
- **Covering distance:** cost of Generalized edge cover.
 - ▣ Can be used as partition distance in this case
- **Merge two templates with minimum covering distance.**

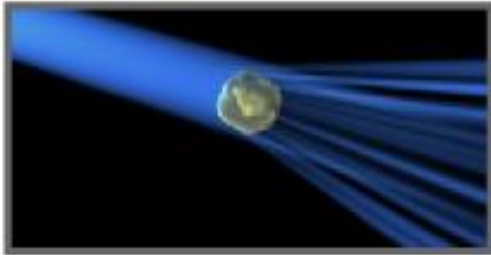
Time complexity

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- Assume N samples.
- $O(N^2)$ initial GEC computation
- During merging of templates total number of GEC computation = $(N-1)+(N-2)+\dots+1 = O(N^2)$
- Time to compute each GEC is $O(k^3 \log(k))$ where k is the number of (meta-) clusters in a sample.
- Generally k is not large

Data collection in Flow cytometry

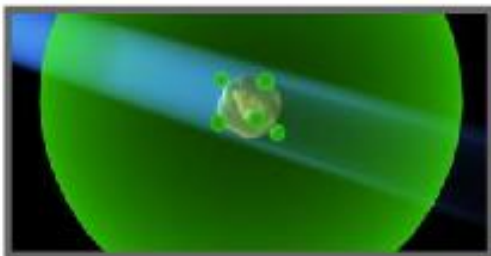
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Forward scatter



Side scatter



Fluorescence