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Distributed Systems
K-Means

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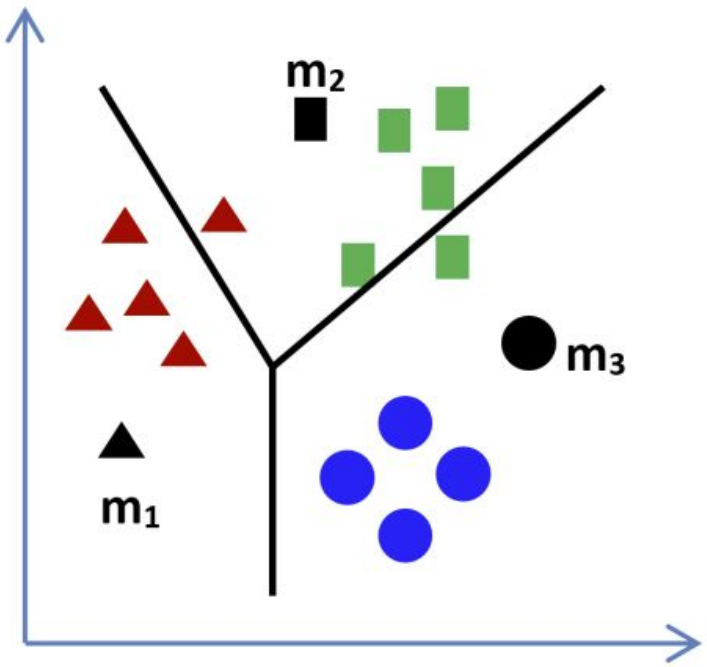
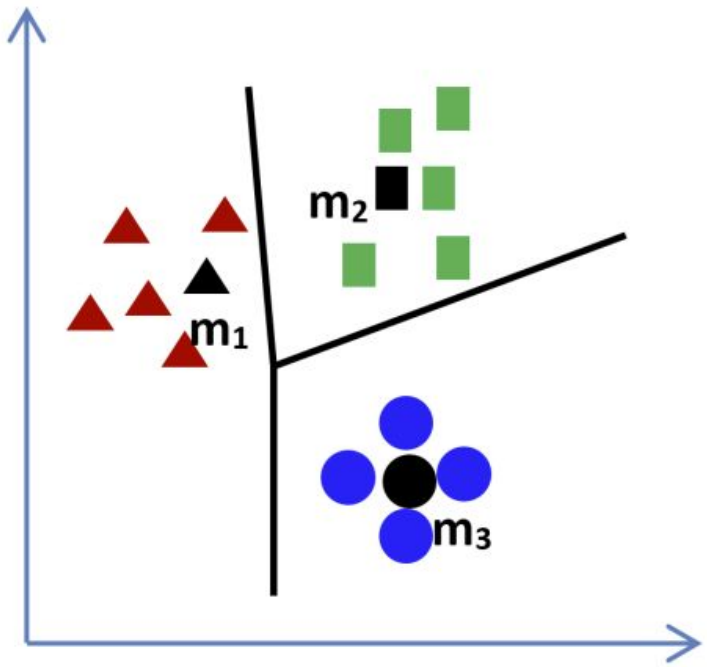
K-Means

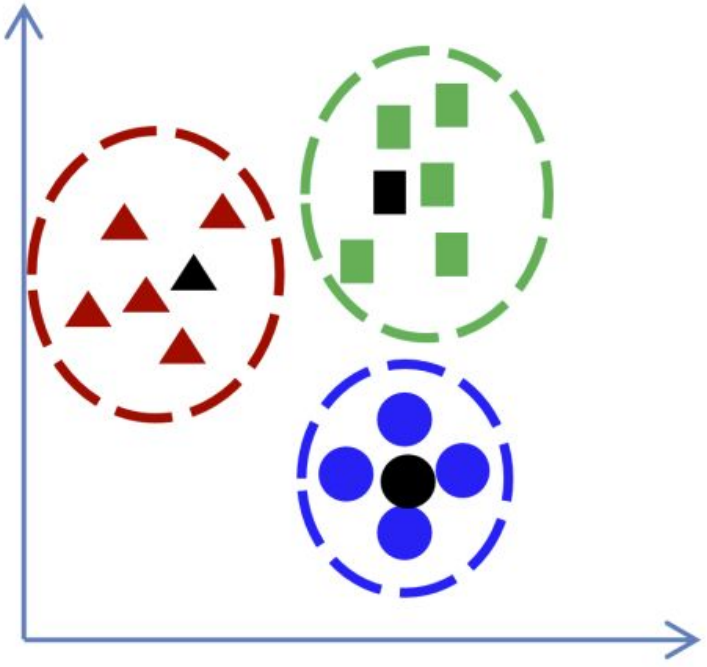
- Clustering algorithm
- an iterative algorithm that attempts to find ***K*** similar groups in a given data set via minimizing a mean squared distance function
- Applications:
  - Data mining
  - Statistical data analysis: machine learning, pattern recognition, image analysis, information retrieval, and bioinformatics.
  - Visualization



(a) Initial Means.



(b) Recalculated Means.



(c) Final Clusters.

Explained in plain English, **k-Means** roughly follows this approach:

1. We start by deciding how many clusters we would like to form from our data. We call this value k. The value of k is generally a small integer, such as 2, 3, 4, or 5, but may be larger.

2. Next, we select k points to be the centroids of k clusters which at present have no members. The list of centroids can be selected by any method (e.g., randomly from the set of data points). It is usually better to pick centroids that are far apart.

3. We then compute the *Euclidean distance* (the similarity function with a data set of data points) from each data point to each centroid. A data point is assigned to a cluster such that its distance to that cluster is the smallest among all other distances.

4. After associating every data point with one of k clusters, each centroid is recalculated so as to reflect the true mean of its constituent data points.

5. Steps 3. and 4. are repeated for a number of times (say, μ); essentially until the centroids start varying very little.

K-Means

You need to define similarities and recalculate the centroids

- What is the similarity between two data points?
- What is the similarity between two DNA strands?
- How to recalculate the data points centroids?
- How to recalculate the DNA centroids?

Sequential Kmeans

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Initial centroids/means

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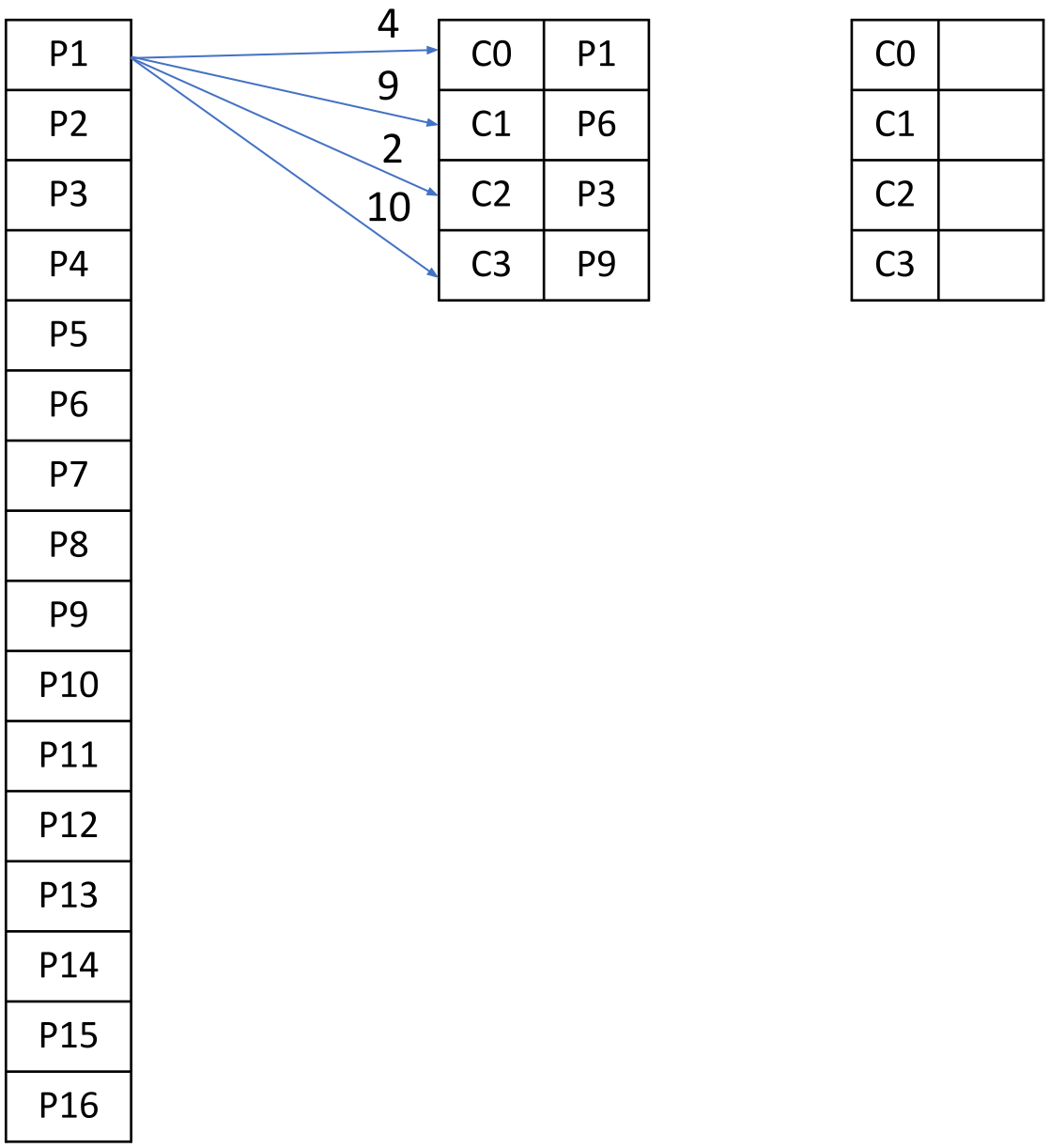
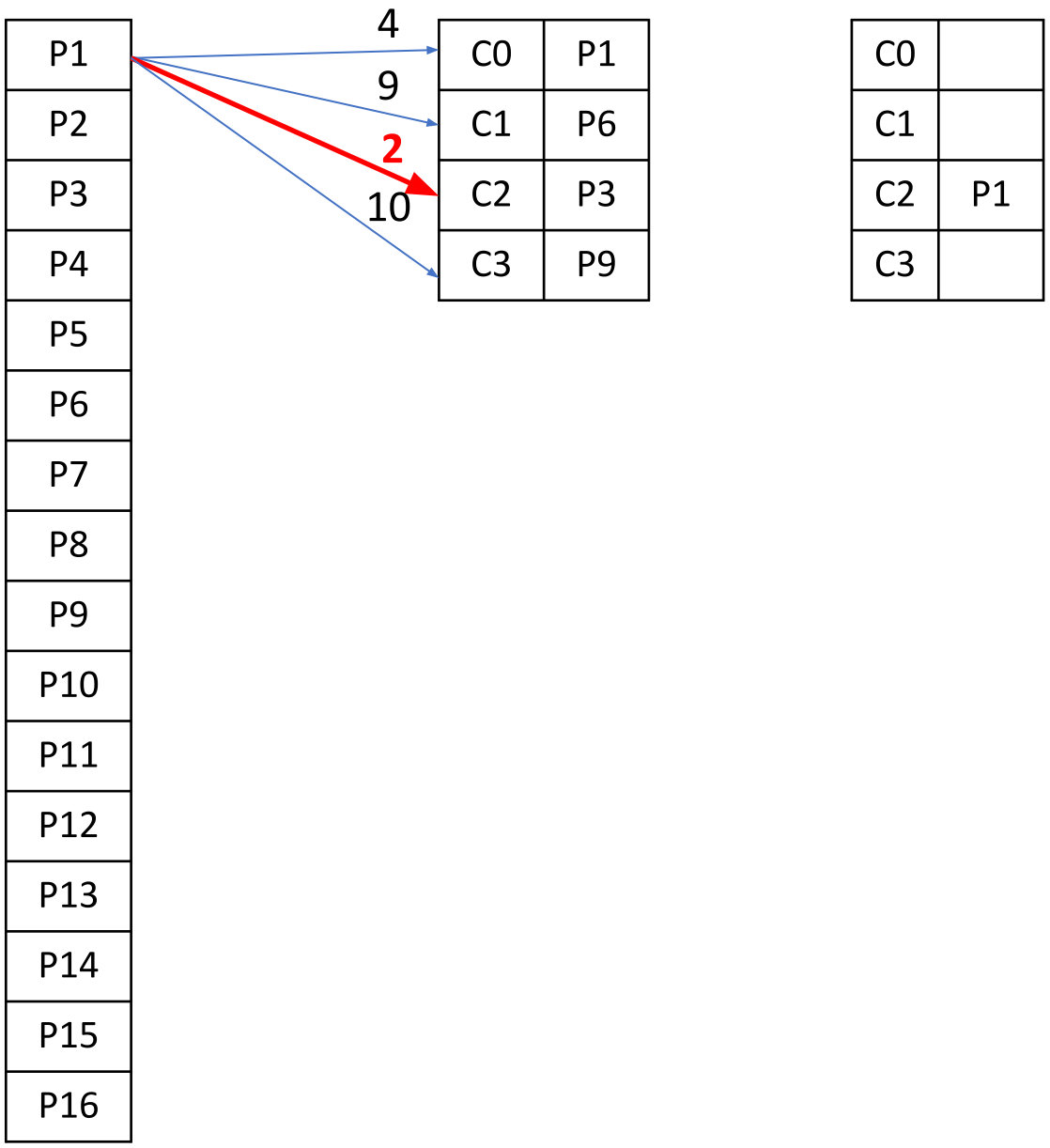
C0	P1
C1	P6
C2	P3
C3	P9

Initial centroids/means



Initial centroids/means



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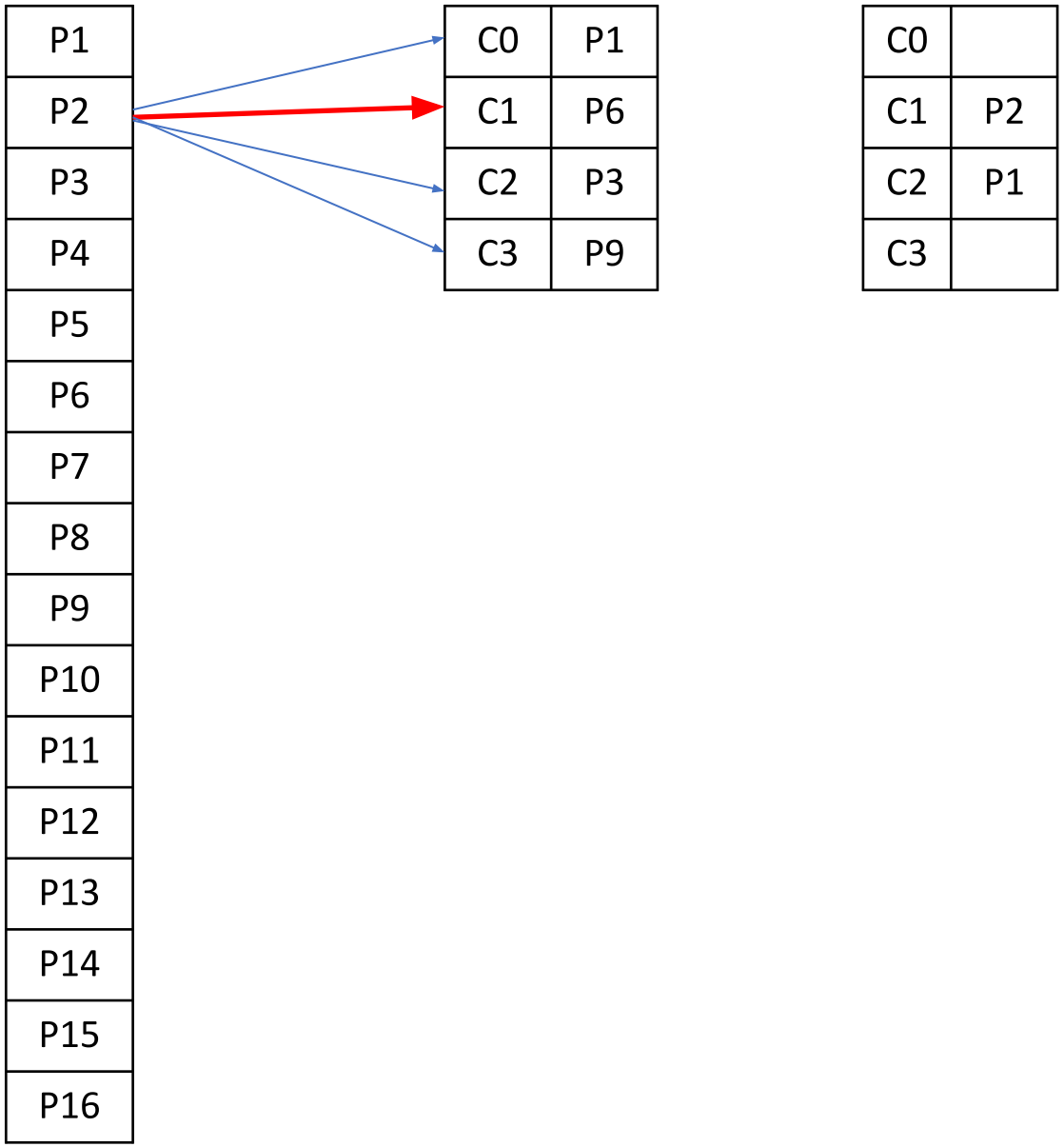

Initial centroids/means

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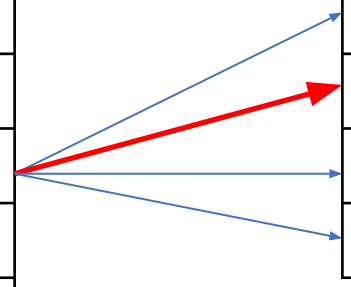

C0	P1
C1	P6
C2	P3
C3	P9

C0	
C1	P2 + P3
C2	P1
C3	

** P1 + P2 = (x1,y1) + (x2,y2) = (x1+x2, y1+y2)*

Initial centroids/means

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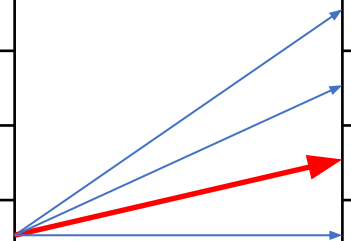

C0	P1
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C0	
C1	P2 + P3
C2	P1 + P4
C3	

Initial centroids/means

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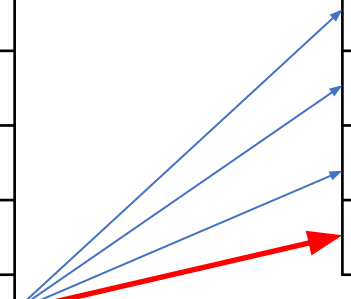

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C1	P6
C2	P3
C3	P9

C0	
C1	P2 + P3
C2	P1 + P4
C3	P5

Initial centroids/means

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P14
P15
P16

C0	P1
C1	P6
C2	P3
C3	P9

C0	P6 + P8 + P10 + P13
C1	P2 + P3 + P7 + P11
C2	P1 + P4 + P12 + P15 + P16
C3	P5 + P9 + P14

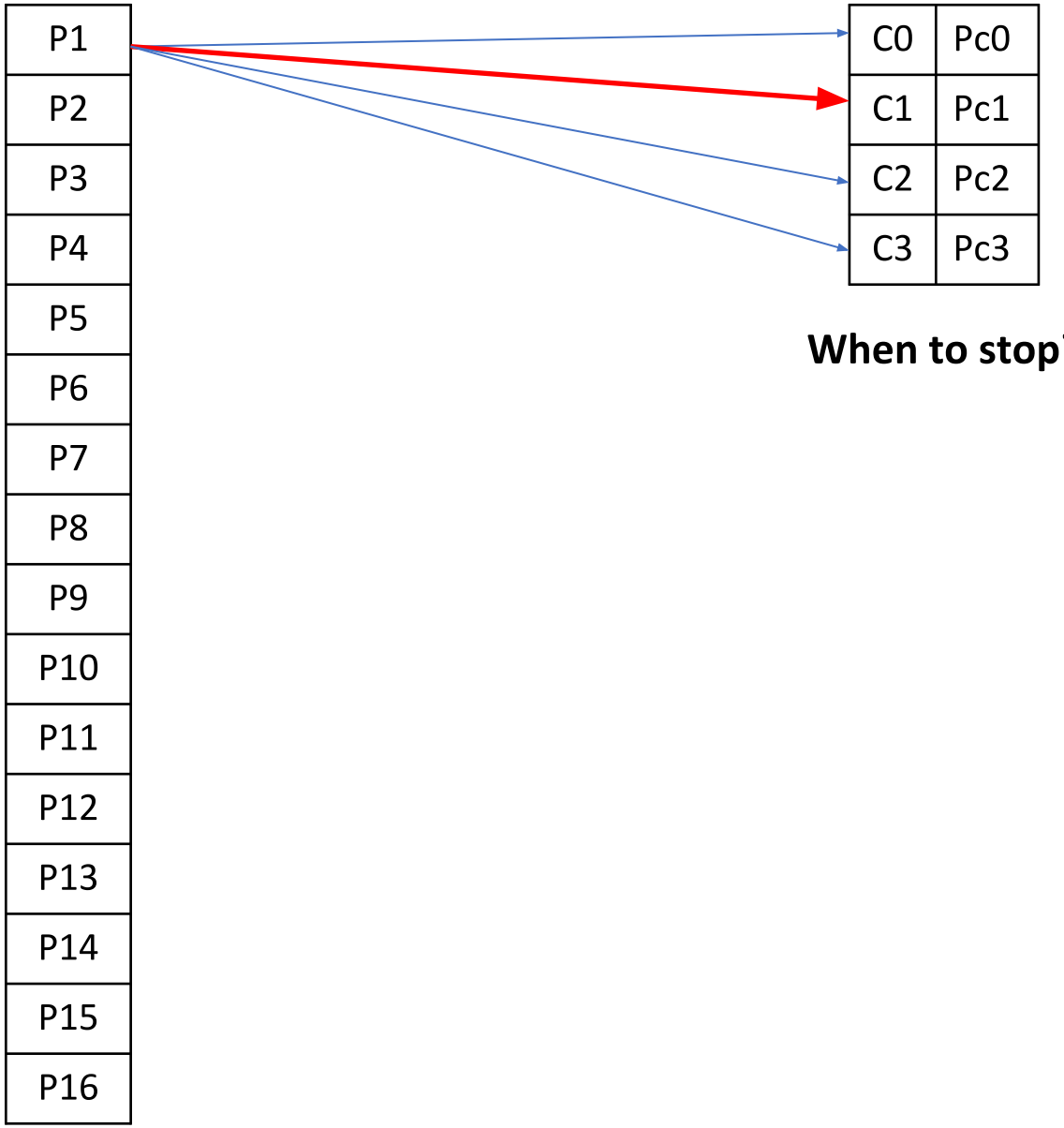
Centroids after iteration 1

P1
P2
P3
P4
P5
P6
P7
P8
P9
P10
P11
P12
P13
P14
P15
P16

C0	P1
C1	P6
C2	P3
C3	P9

C0	(P6 + P8 + P10 + P13)/4
C1	(P2 + P3 + P7 + P11)/4
C2	(P1 + P4 + P12 + P15 + P16)/5
C3	(P5 + P9 + P14)/3

** P/N = (x/N,y/N)*



When to stop?

Parallel K-Means

How can we parallelize?

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How can we parallelize?

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C0	P1
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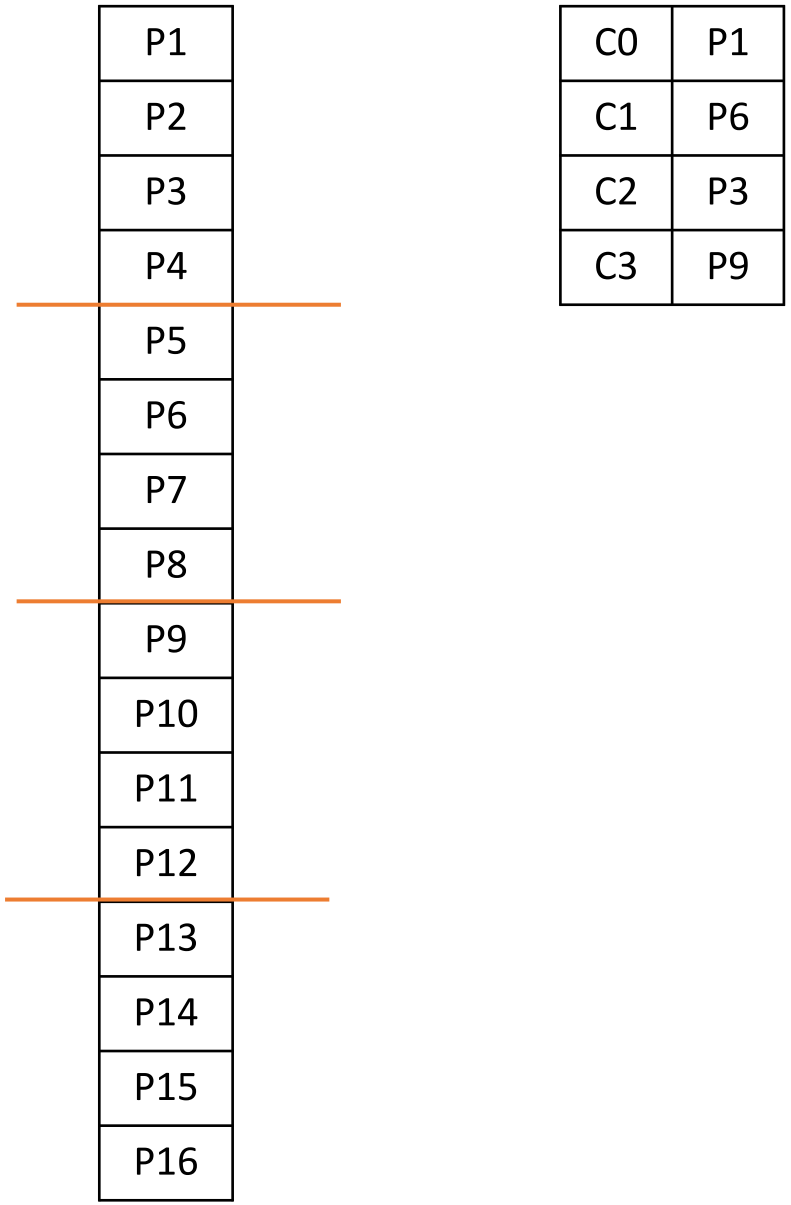
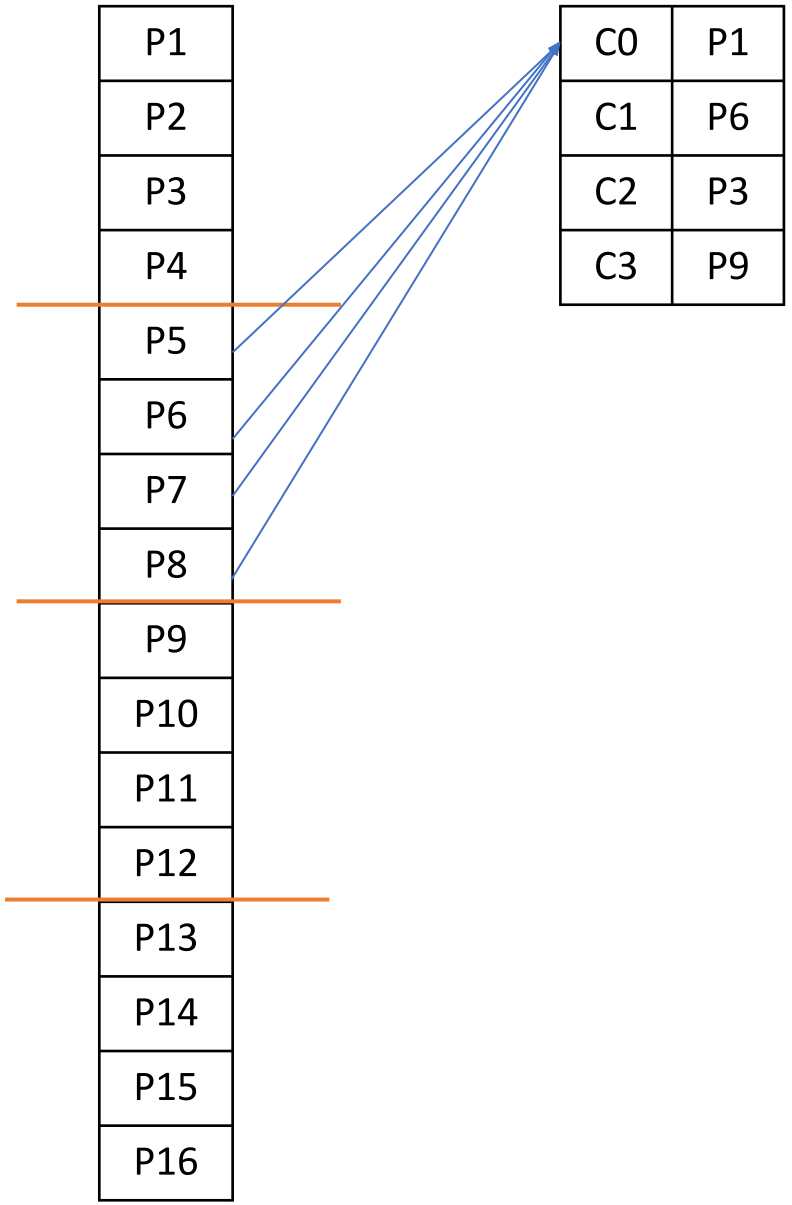
C3	P9

How can we parallelize?

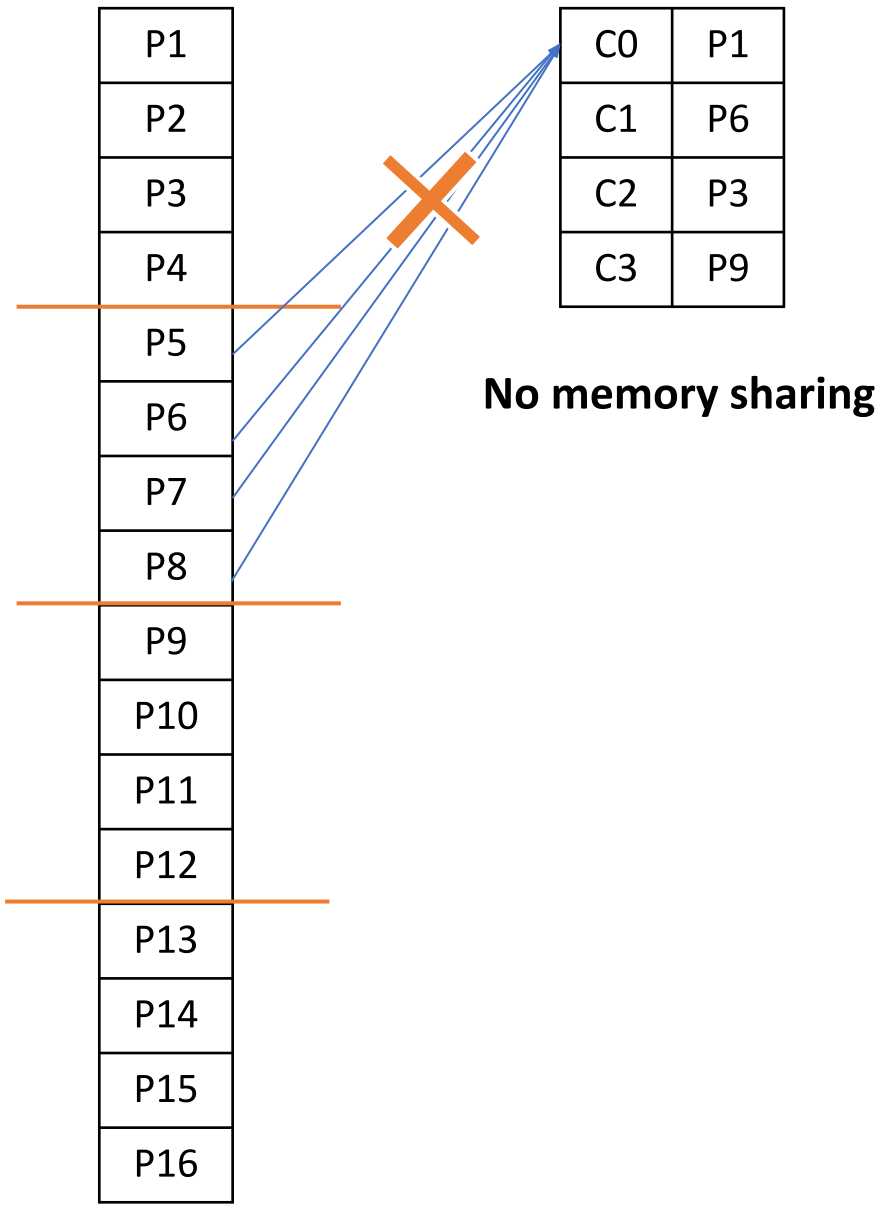


C0	P1
C1	P6
C2	P3
C3	P9

How can we parallelize?

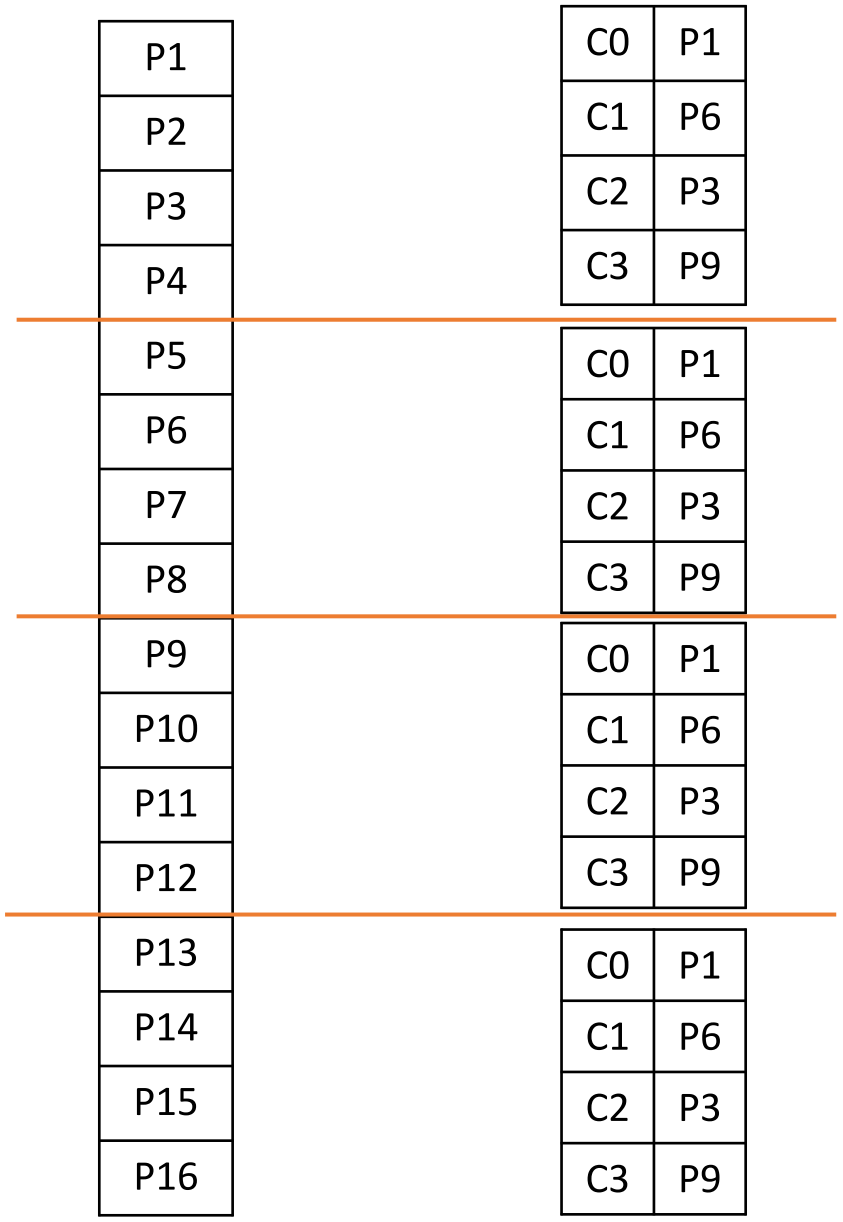


How can we parallelize?

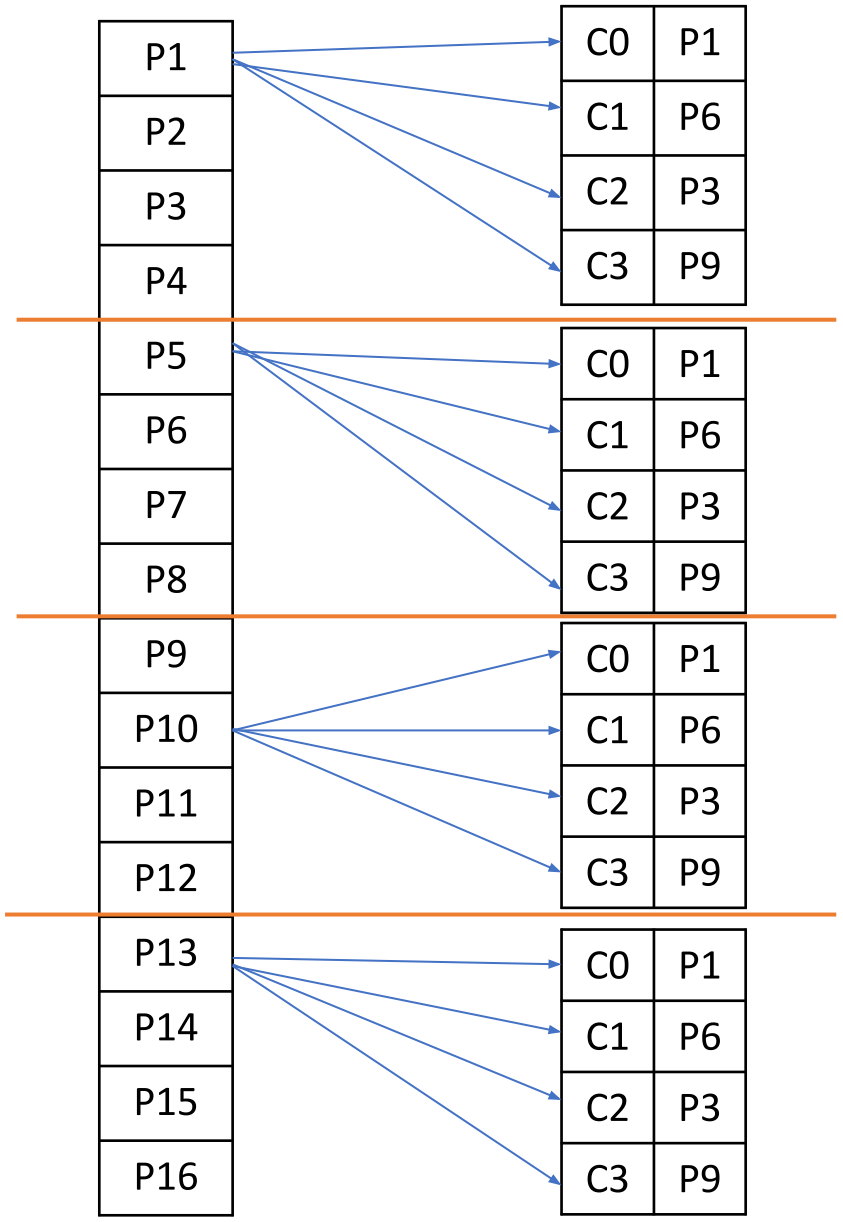


No memory sharing

How can we parallelize?



How can we parallelize?



How can we parallelize?

P1
P2
P3
P4

C0	P1
C1	P6
C2	P3
C3	P9

C0	P2 + P3
C1	0
C2	P1
C3	P4

P5
P6
P7
P8

C0	P1
C1	P6
C2	P3
C3	P9

C0	P5
C1	P7
C2	P8
C3	P6

P9
P10
P11
P12

C0	P1
C1	P6
C2	P3
C3	P9

C0	0
C1	P12
C2	P10 + P11
C3	P9

P13
P14
P15
P16

C0	P1
C1	P6
C2	P3
C3	P9

C0	P13 + P14 + P16
C1	0
C2	0
C3	P15

How can we parallelize?

P1
P2
P3
P4

C0	P1
C1	P6
C2	P3
C3	P9

C0	P2 + P3 /2
C1	0
C2	P1 /1
C3	P4 /1

P5
P6
P7
P8

C0	P1
C1	P6
C2	P3
C3	P9

C0	P5
C1	P7
C2	P8
C3	P6

P9
P10
P11
P12

C0	P1
C1	P6
C2	P3
C3	P9

C0	0
C1	P12
C2	P10 + P11
C3	P9

P13
P14
P15
P16

C0	P1
C1	P6
C2	P3
C3	P9

C0	P13 + P14 + P16
C1	0
C2	0
C3	P15

How can we parallelize?

P1
P2
P3
P4

C0	P1
C1	P6
C2	P3
C3	P9

C0	P2 + P3
C1	0
C2	P1
C3	P4

P5
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C0	P1
C1	P6
C2	P3
C3	P9

C0	P5
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C0	P1
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C0	0
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C3	P9

P13
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C0	P1
C1	P6
C2	P3
C3	P9

C0	P13 + P14 + P16
C1	0
C2	0
C3	P15

How can we parallelize?

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C0	P1
C1	P6
C2	P3
C3	P9

C0	P1
C1	P6
C2	P3
C3	P9

C0	P1
C1	P6
C2	P3
C3	P9

C0	P1
C1	P6
C2	P3
C3	P9

C0	P2 + P3
C1	0
C2	P1
C3	P4

C0	P5
C1	P7
C2	P8
C3	P6

C0	0
C1	P12
C2	P10 + P11
C3	P9

C0	P13 + P14 + P16
C1	0
C2	0
C3	P15

How can we parallelize?

P1
P2
P3
P4

C0	P1
C1	P6
C2	P3
C3	P9

C0	P2 + P3 + P5 + P13 + P14 + P16	/6
C1	P7 + P12	/2
C2	P8 + P10 + P11	/3
C3	P6 + P9 + P15	/3

P5
P6
P7
P8

C0	P1
C1	P6
C2	P3
C3	P9

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C0	P1
C1	P6
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C0	P1
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C3	P9

How can we parallelize?

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C0	Pc0
C1	Pc1
C2	Pc2
C3	Pc3

How can we parallelize?

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C0	Pc0
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C3	Pc3
C0	Pc0
C1	Pc1
C2	Pc2
C3	Pc3
C0	Pc0
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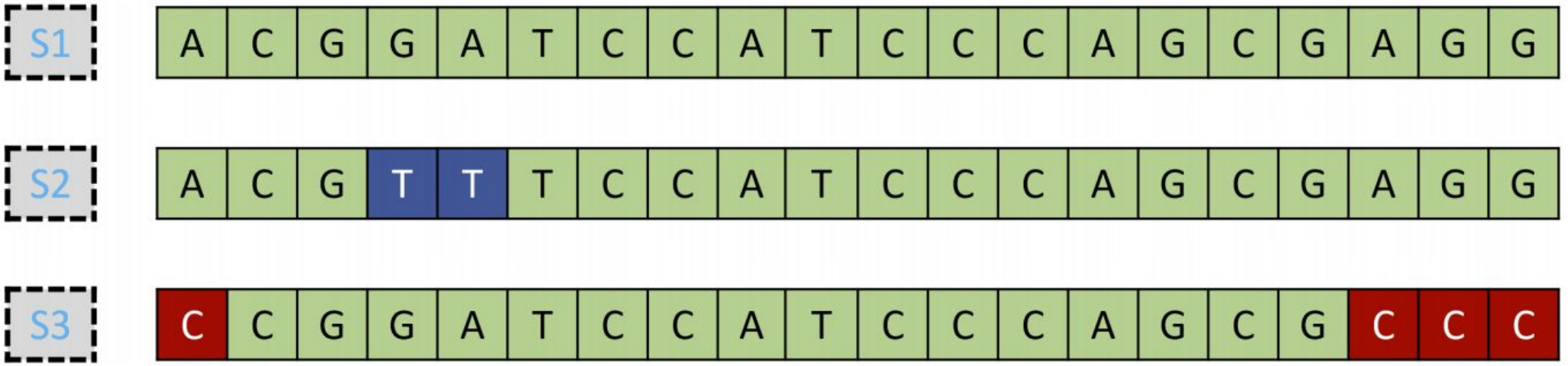
C3	Pc3

DNA stranding


S1
A C G G A T C C A T C C C A G C G A G G
S2
A C G T T T C C A T C C C A G C G A G G
S3
C C G G A T C C A T C C C A G C G C C C

ACTG
GTCA
SGGT
TAAA
ATAT

ACTG
GTCA
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ATAT

How to get the centroid of these DNA strands?

How many repetitions of A in index 0 of all strands

A				
C				
G				
T				
Output strand				

ACTG
GTCA
SGGT
TAAA
ATAT

A	2			
C				
G				
T				
Output strand				

ACTG
GTCA
SGGT
TAAA
ATAT

A	2	1	2	1
C	0	1	1	0
G	1	1	1	1
T	1	2	1	2
Output strand				

ACTG
GTCA
SGGT
TAAA
ATAT

A	2	1	2	1
C	0	1	1	0
G	1	1	1	1
T	1	2	1	2
Output strand				

Get the mean or the median (sort the values and select the middle one)

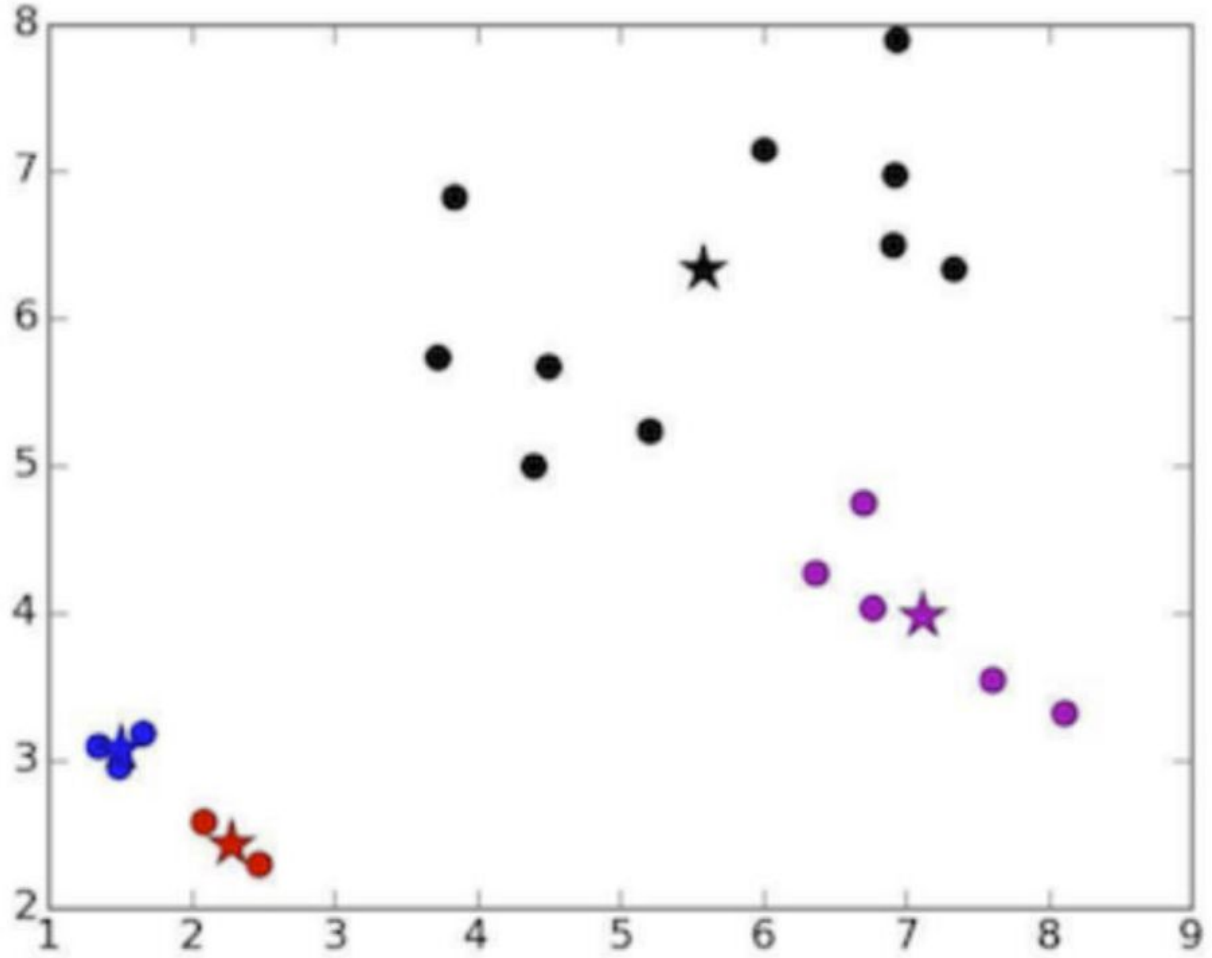
ACTG
GTCA
SGGT
TAAA
ATAT

A	2	1	2	1
C	0	1	1	0
G	1	1	1	1
T	1	2	1	2
Output strand	**T**	**G**	**C**	**A**

ACTG
GTCA
SGGT
TAAA
ATAT

A	2	1	2	1
C	0	1	1	0
G	1	1	1	1
T	1	2	1	2
Output strand	**T**	**G**	**C**	**A**

Bad Clustering



Bad Clustering

The blue and red stars are called unlucky centroids (*)
A poor choice of the initial centroids will take longer to converge or may result in bad clustering. You can handle this in:

1. Your data generators (generate first k points to be far apart and pick them in your implementation)
2. Try different sets of random centroids, and choose the best set.