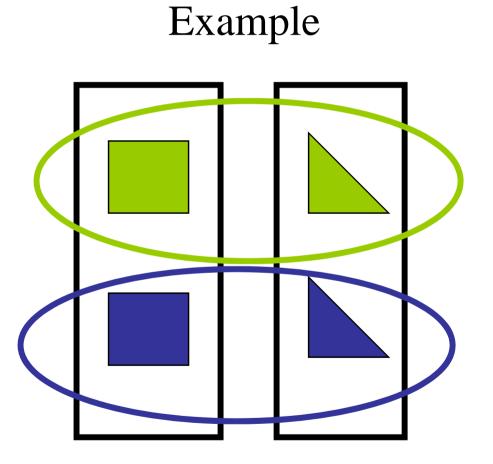
# PAC-Bayesian Analysis of Co-clustering, Graph Clustering and Pairwise Clustering

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# Motivation

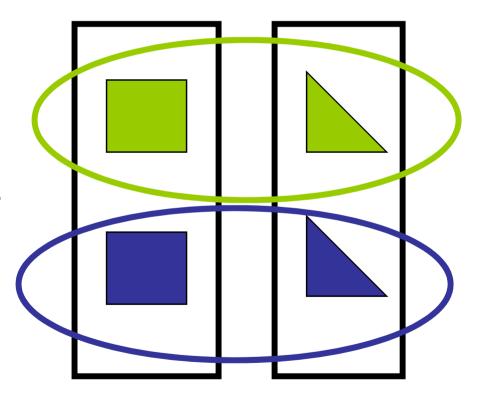
 Clustering cannot be analyzed without specifying what it will be used for!



# Example



- Cluster then pack
- Clustering by shape is preferable
  - Evaluate the amount of time saved



# How to define a clustering problem?

- Common pitfall: the goal is defined in terms of the solution
  - Graph cut
  - Spectral clustering
  - Information-theoretic approaches
- Which one to choose??? How to compare?

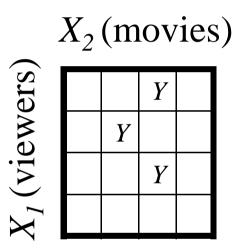
 Our goal: suggest problem formulation which is independent of the way of solution

#### Outline

- Two problems behind co-clustering
  - Discriminative prediction
  - Density estimation
- PAC-Bayesian analysis of discriminative prediction with co-clustering
- PAC-Bayesian analysis of graph clustering

## Discriminative Prediction with Co-clustering

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 $X_2$  (movies)  $X_1 = X_2$   $X_2 = X_1$   $X_1 = X_2$   $X_2 = X_2$   $X_1 = X_2$   $X_2 = X_1$   $X_1 = X_2$   $X_2 = X_2$   $X_3 = X_1$   $X_1 = X_2$   $X_2 = X_3$   $X_3 = X_4$   $X_4 = X_1$   $X_1 = X_2$   $X_2 = X_3$   $X_3 = X_4$   $X_4 = X_4$   $X_4 = X_4$   $X_4 = X_4$   $X_5 = X_4$   $X_7 = X_4$  X

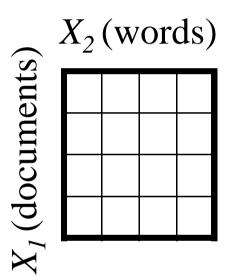
Expectation w.r.t. the true distribution  $p(X_1, X_2, Y)$ 

Expectation w.r.t. the classifier  $q(Y|X_1,X_2)$ 

Given loss l(Y,Y')

# Co-occurrence Data Analysis

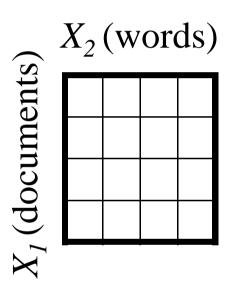
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The true distribution 
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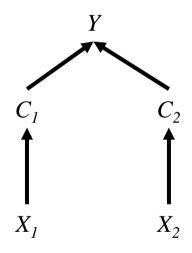


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# Discriminative prediction based on co-clustering

Model: 
$$q(Y | X_1, X_2) = \sum_{C_1, C_2} q(Y | C_1, C_2) q(C_1 | X_1) q(C_2 | X_2)$$



Denote:

$$Q = \{q(C_1|X_1), q(C_2|X_2), q(Y|C_1,C_2)\}$$

• With probability  $\geq 1-\delta$ :

$$kl(\hat{L}(Q) || L(Q)) \le \frac{\sum_{i} |X_i| I(X_i; C_i) + K}{N}$$

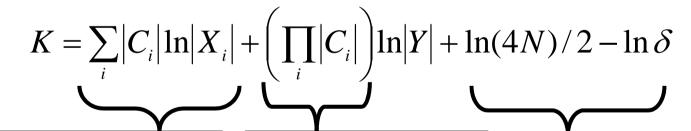
$$kl(\hat{L}(Q) \parallel L(Q)) = \hat{L}(Q) \ln \frac{\hat{L}(Q)}{L(Q)} + (1 - \hat{L}(Q)) \ln \frac{\hat{L}(Q)}{L(Q)}$$

• A looser, but simpler form of the bound:

$$L(Q) \leq \hat{L}(Q) + \sqrt{\frac{2\hat{L}(Q)\left(\sum_{i} \left|X_{i}\right| I(X_{i}; C_{i}) + K\right)}{N}} + \frac{2\left(\sum_{i} \left|X_{i}\right| I(X_{i}; C_{i}) + K\right)}{N}$$

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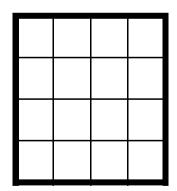
Logarithmic in  $|X_i|$ 

Number of partition cells

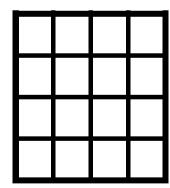
PAC-Bayesian bound part

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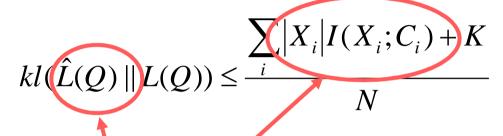


Low Complexity  $I(X_i; C_i) = 0$ 



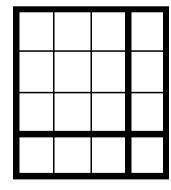
High Complexity  $I(X_i; C_i) = \ln |X_i|$ 

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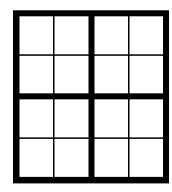


Optimization tradeoff:

Empirical loss vs. "Effective" partition complexity



Lower



Higher Complexity Complexity

#### Practice

• With probability  $\geq 1-\delta$ :

$$kl(\hat{L}(Q) || L(Q)) \le \frac{\sum_{i} |X_i| I(X_i; C_i) + K}{N}$$

• Replace with a trade-off:

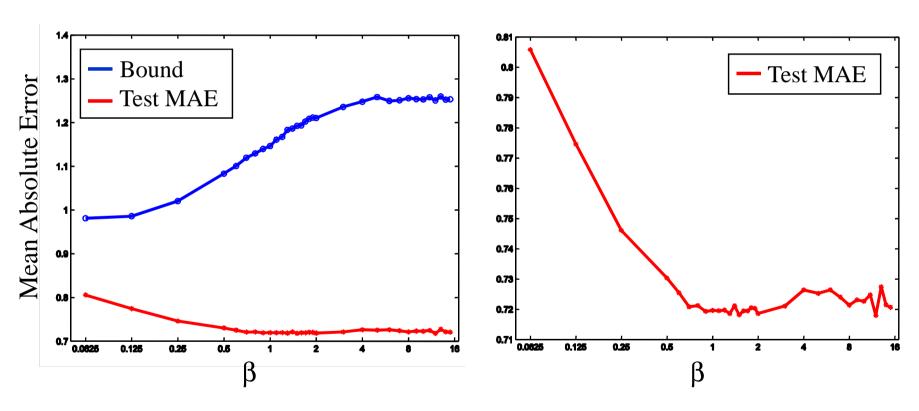
$$F(Q) = \beta N \hat{L}(Q) + \sum_{i} |X_{i}| I(X_{i}; C_{i})$$

# Application

- MovieLens dataset
  - 100,000 ratings on 5-star scale
  - -80,000 train ratings, 20,000 test ratings
  - 943 viewers x 1682 movies
  - State-of-the-art Mean Absolute Error (0.72)
  - The optimal performance is achieved even with 300x300 cluster space

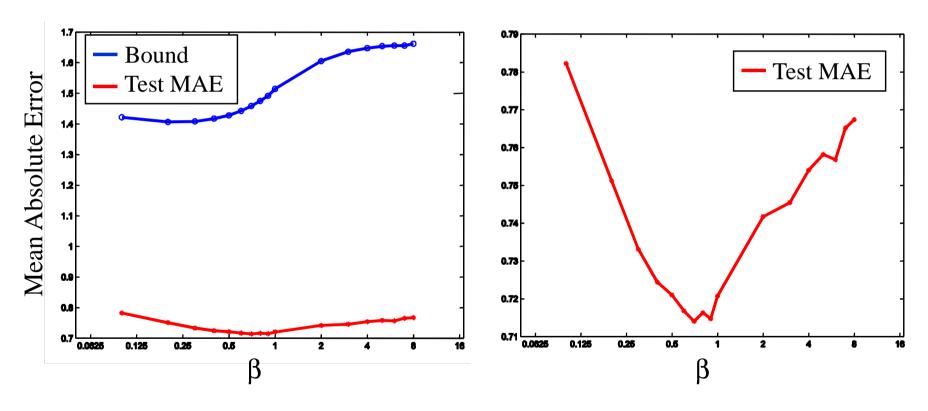
# 13x6 Clusters

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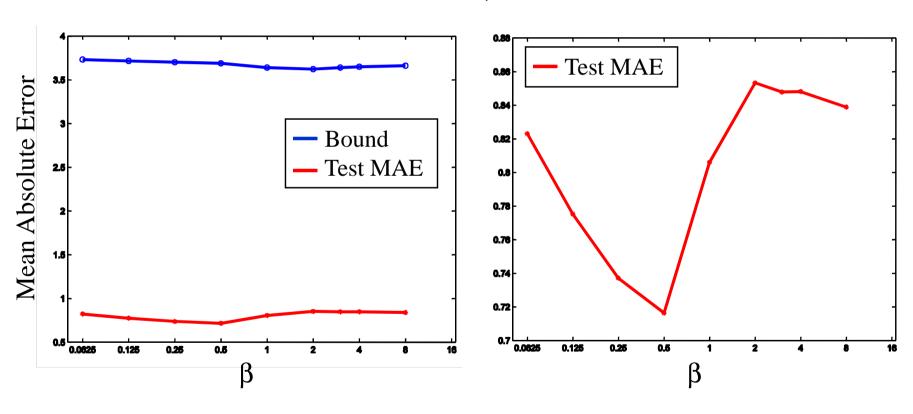
# 50x50 Clusters

$$F(Q) = \beta N \hat{L}(Q) + \sum_{i} |X_{i}| I(X_{i}; C_{i})$$



# 283x283 Clusters

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# Weighted Graph Clustering

• The weigts of the edges  $w_{ij}$  are generated by unknown distribution  $p(w_{ij}|x_i,x_j)$ 

• Given a sample of size N of edge weights

• Build a model  $q(w|x_1,x_2)$  such that  $E_{p(x_1,x_2,w)} E_{q(w'|x_1,x_2)} l(w,w')$  is minimized

# Other problems

- Pairwise clustering = clustering of a weighted graph
  - Edge weights = pairwise relations
- Clustering of unweigted graph
  - Present edges = weight 1
  - Absent edges = weight 0

# Weighted Graph Clustering

• The weights of the links are generated according to:

$$q(w_{ij}|X_i,X_j) = \sum_{C_a,C_b} q(w_{ij}|C_a,C_b) q(C_a|X_i) q(C_b|X_j)$$

- This is co-clustering with shared q(C|X)
  - Same bounds and (almost same) algorithms apply

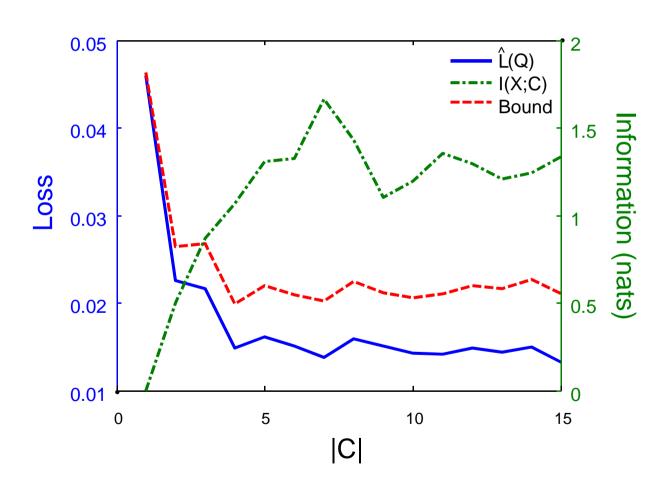
# **Application**

Optimize the trade-off

$$F(Q) = \beta N \hat{L}(Q) + |X| I(X;C)$$

- Kings dataset
  - Edge weights = exponentiated negative distance between DNS servers
  - -|X| = 1740
  - Number of edges = 1,512,930

# **Graph Clustering Application**



#### Relation with Matrix Factorization

#### • Co-clustering:

$$-g(X_1,X_2) = \sum_{C_1,C_2} q(C_1|X_1)g(C_1,C_2) \ q(C_2|X_2)$$

$$-M \approx Q_1^T G Q_2$$

#### • Graph clustering:

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# Summary of main contributions

- Formulation of co-clustering and graph clustering (unsupervised learning) as prediction problems
- PAC-Bayesian analysis of co-clustering and graph clustering
  - Regularization terms
- Encouraging empirical results

#### **Future Directions**

- Practice:
  - More applications
- Theory:
  - Continuous domains
  - Multidimensional matrices

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