

# PCA and clustering

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# Exploratory methods for high-dimensional data

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## Principal components analysis (PCA)

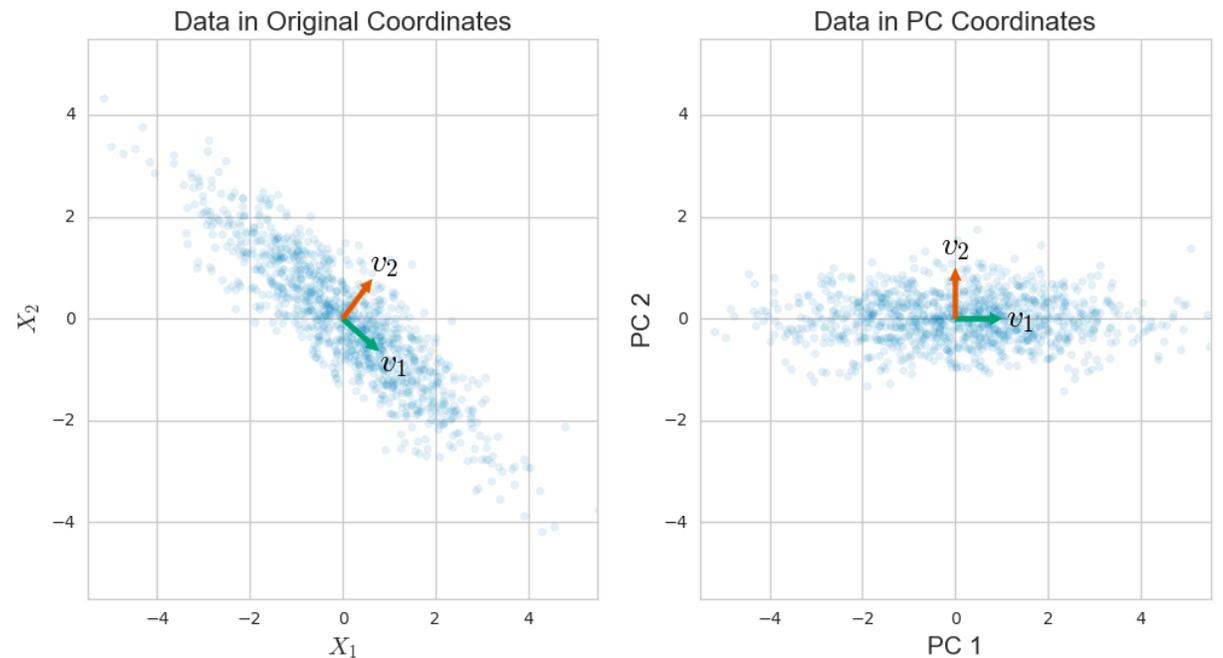
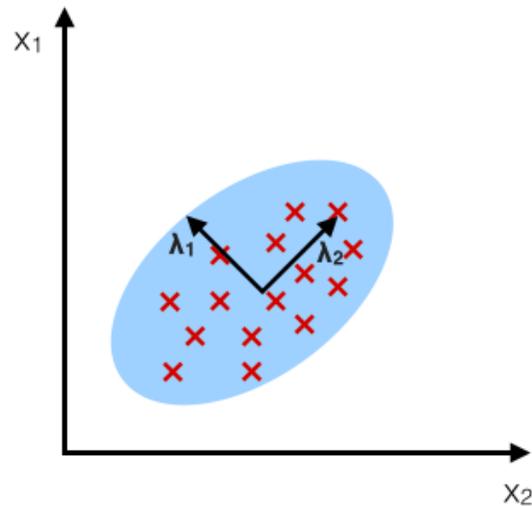
- Note there are many similar methods, e.g. linear discriminant analysis

## Clustering

- K-means
- Hierarchical
- Again, **many** more

# Principal components analysis

Linear algebra technique to emphasize *axes of variation in the data*



PCA offers new coordinate system to emphasize variation in the data

# Do it yourself!

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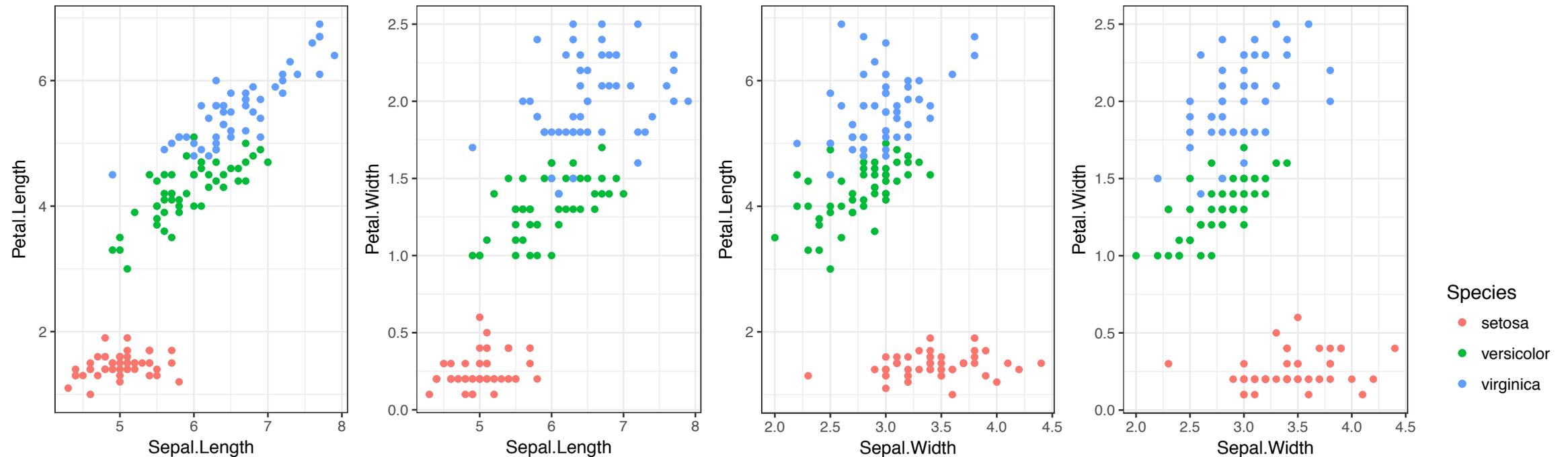
There are as many PCs as there are variables

- NUMERIC ONLY

<http://setosa.io/ev/principal-component-analysis/>

# Example: Iris

How well we can tell species apart depends on plotting strategy



# PCA on iris

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```
> iris %>%  
  select(-Species) %>%      ### Remove any non-numeric columns  
  scale() %>%               ### Scale the data (columns in same units)  
  prcomp() -> iris.pca      ### Run the PCA with prcomp()
```

# PCA output

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```
## Rotation matrix: Loadings are the percent of variance explained by the variable  
> iris.pca$rotation
```

|              | PC1        | PC2         | PC3        | PC4        |
|--------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|
| Sepal.Length | 0.5210659  | -0.37741762 | 0.7195664  | 0.2612863  |
| Sepal.Width  | -0.2693474 | -0.92329566 | -0.2443818 | -0.1235096 |
| Petal.Length | 0.5804131  | -0.02449161 | -0.1421264 | -0.8014492 |
| Petal.Width  | 0.5648565  | -0.06694199 | -0.6342727 | 0.5235971  |

Sepal.Length, Petal.Length, and Petal.Width load positively on PC1.  
Sepal.Width shows a weaker negative loading on PC1.

PC2 is dominated by Sepal.Width, which loads strongly and negatively.

# PCA output

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```
#### The actual principal components
> head(iris.pca$x)
      PC1      PC2      PC3      PC4
[1,] -2.257141 -0.4784238  0.12727962  0.024087508
[2,] -2.074013  0.6718827  0.23382552  0.102662845
[3,] -2.356335  0.3407664 -0.04405390  0.028282305
[4,] -2.291707  0.5953999 -0.09098530 -0.065735340
[5,] -2.381863 -0.6446757 -0.01568565 -0.035802870
[6,] -2.068701 -1.4842053 -0.02687825  0.006586116
```

# PCA output

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#### Standard deviation of components is represents the percent of variation each component explains, ish

```
> iris.pca$sdev  
[1] 1.7083611 0.9560494 0.3830886 0.1439265
```

### Compute variance explained:

```
> (iris.pca$sdev)^2 / (sum(iris.pca$sdev^2))  
[1] 0.729624454 0.228507618 0.036689219 0.005178709
```

PC1 explains ~73% of variance in the data. **By definition, PC1 explains the most variation** (and so on)

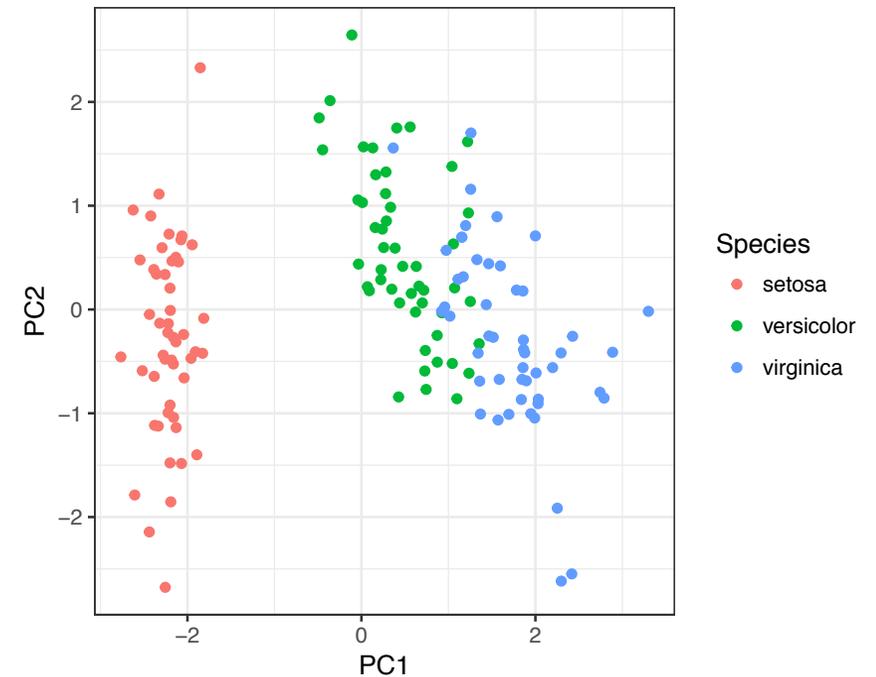
PC2 explains ~ 23% of variance in the data

etc.

# Visualizing the PCA: PC vs PC

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```
#### Bring back the original data for plotting  
> plot.pca <- cbind(iris, iris.pca$x)  
> ggplot(plot.pca, aes(x = PC1, y = PC2, color = Species)) + geom_point()
```



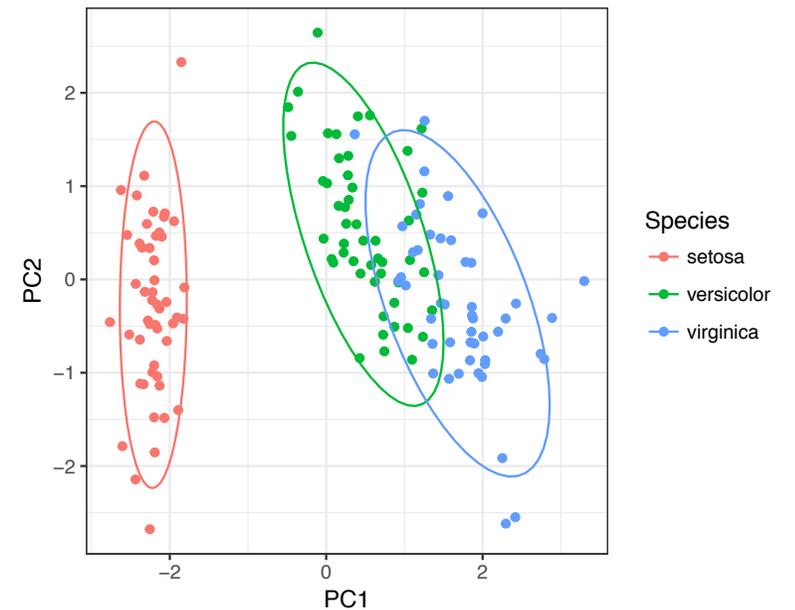
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  stat_ellipse()
```

**Species *separate* along PC1  
PC1 *discriminates* species.**

**Species spread evenly across PC2.**

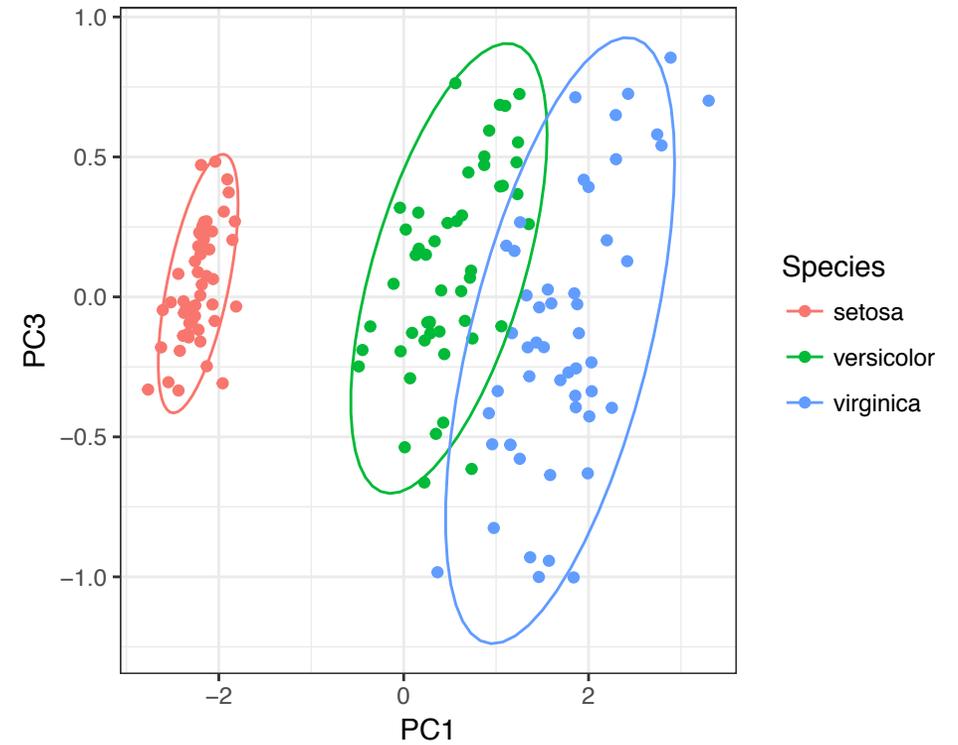


# PC1 vs PC3?

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**Species separate along PC1**  
**PC1 discriminates species.**

**Setosa is more compact along PC3, whereas there is more spread for versicolor/virginica along PC3.**

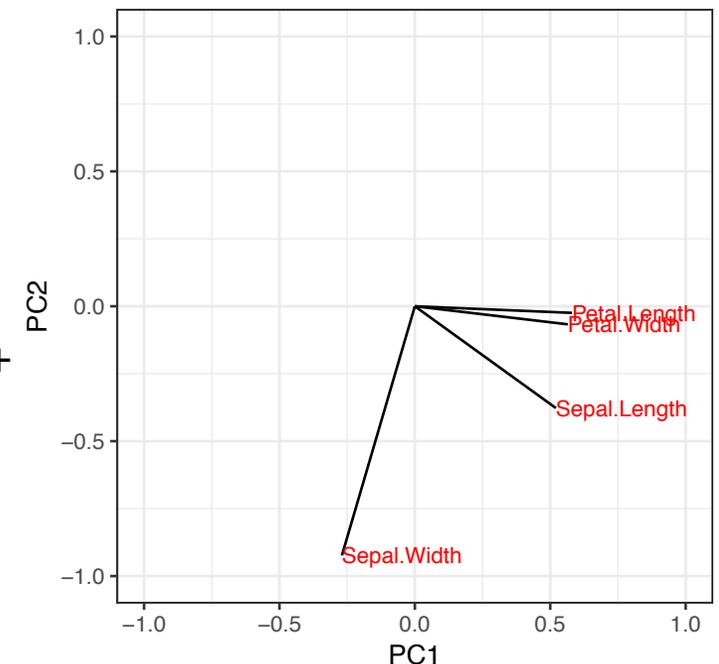


# Visualizing the PCA: Loadings

```
> as.data.frame(iris.pca$rotation) %>% rownames_to_column() -> loadings
```

|   | rowname      | PC1        | PC2         | PC3        | PC4        |
|---|--------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|
| 1 | Sepal.Length | 0.5210659  | -0.37741762 | 0.7195664  | 0.2612863  |
| 2 | Sepal.Width  | -0.2693474 | -0.92329566 | -0.2443818 | -0.1235096 |
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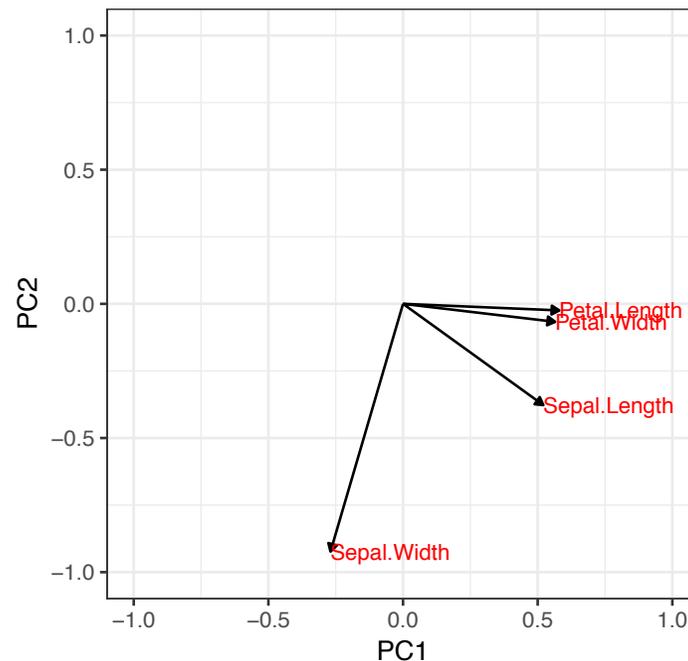
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> ggplot(loadings) +  
  geom_segment(x=0, y=0, aes(xend=PC1, yend=PC2)) +  
  geom_text(aes(x=PC1, y=PC2, label=rowname), size=3, color='red') +  
  xlim(-1.,1) +  
  ylim(-1.,1.) +  
  coord_fixed()
```



# Loadings with arrows

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```
> arrow_style <- arrow(length = unit(0.05, "inches"), type = "closed")
> ggplot(loadings) +
  geom_segment(x=0, y=0, aes(xend=PC1, yend=PC2), arrow = arrow_style) +
  geom_text(aes(x=PC1, y=PC2, label=rowname), size=3, color='red') +
  xlim(-1.,1) +
  ylim(-1.,1.) +
  coord_fixed()
```



Petal.Length and Petal.Width load positively on PC1, but not at all on PC2.

Sepal.Width is *orthogonal* to petals, meaning it captures uncorrelated variation

# Variation explained

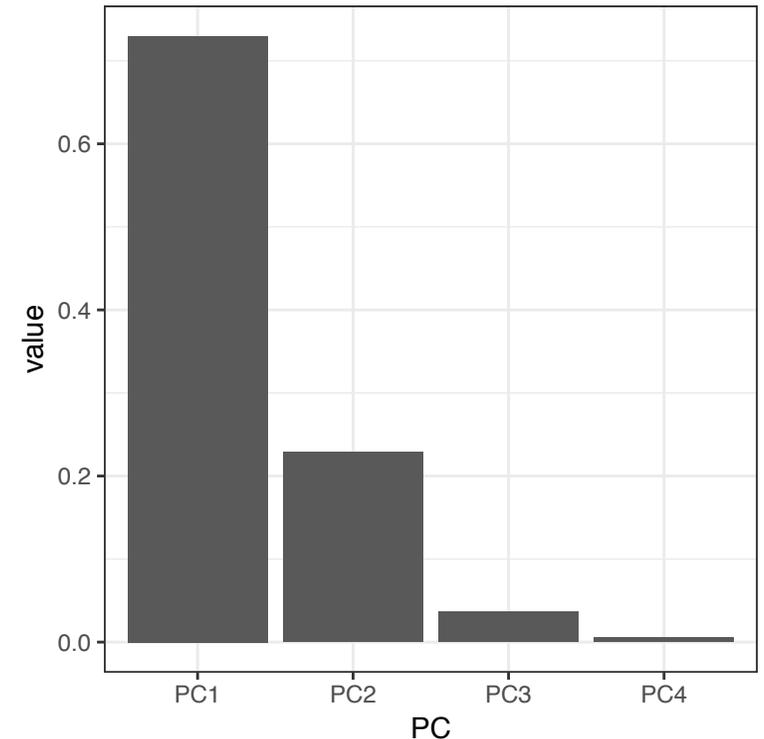
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```
> as.tibble((iris.pca$sdev)^2 / (sum(iris.pca$sdev^2))) -> variance
```

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# A tibble: 4 x 1
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  value  
  <dbl>  
1 0.729624454  
2 0.228507618  
3 0.036689219  
4 0.005178709
```

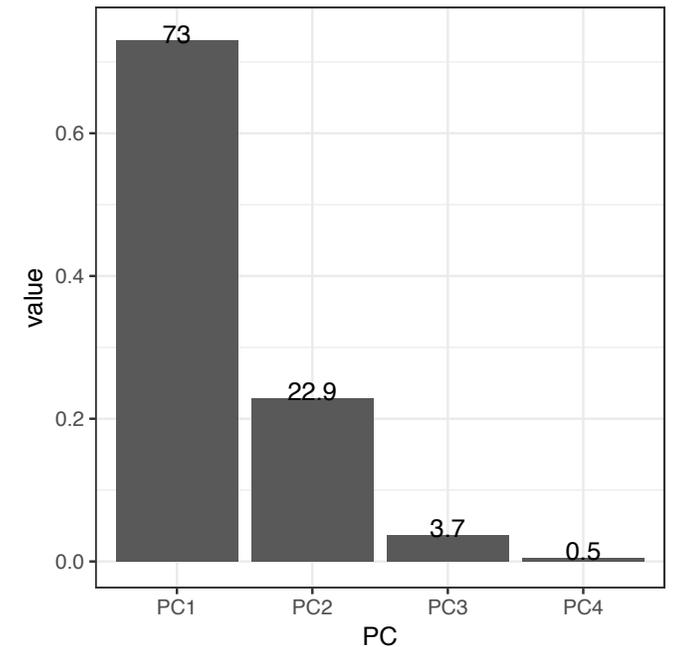
```
> variance %>% mutate(PC = colnames(iris.pca$x)) %>%  
  ggplot(aes(x = PC, y = value)) +  
  geom_bar(stat = "identity")
```



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  ggplot(aes(x = PC, y = value)) +  
  geom_bar(stat = "identity") +  
  geom_text(aes(x = PC, y = value+0.01, label=100*round(value,3)))
```



# Breathe break

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# Clustering

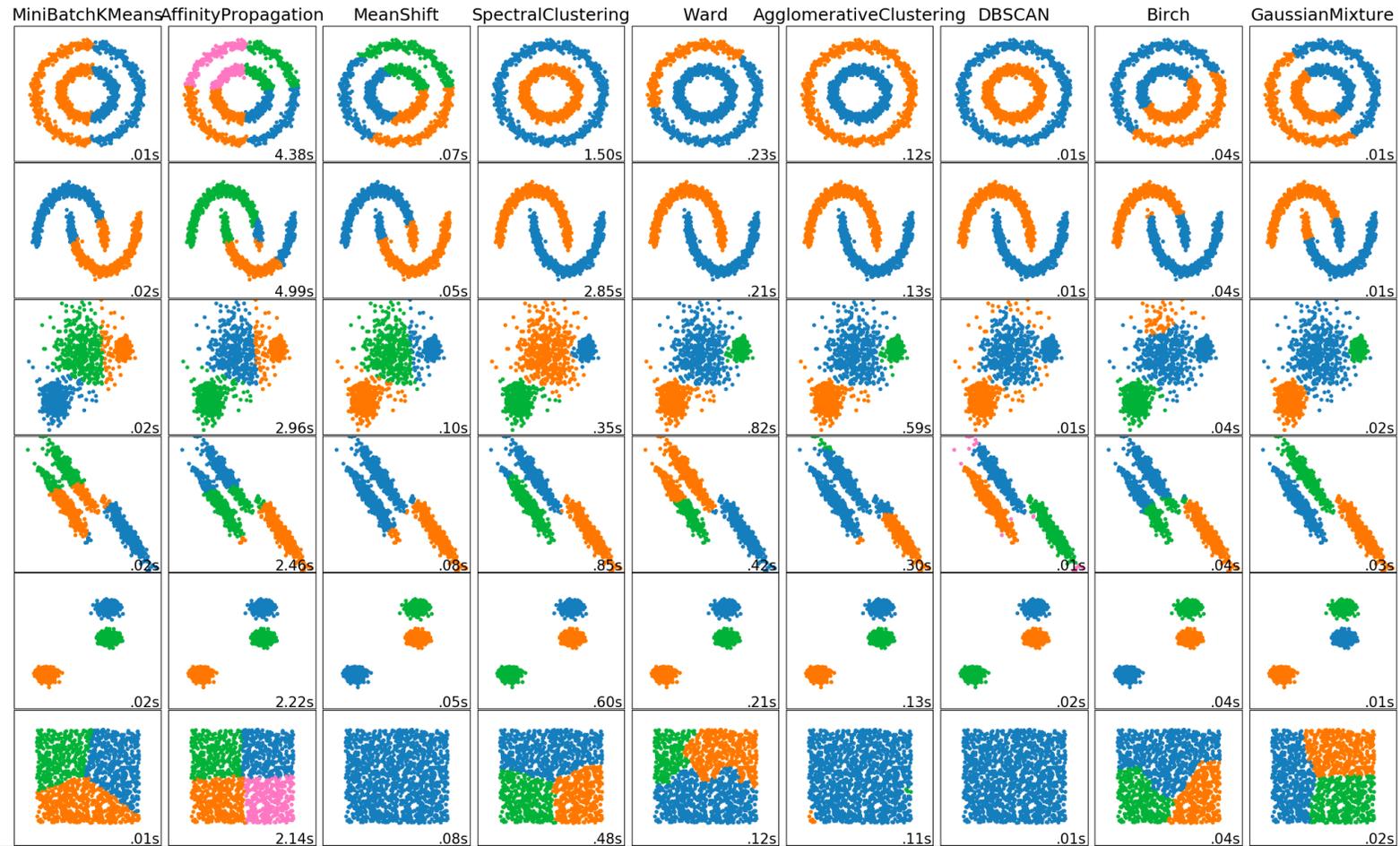
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A family of approaches to identify previously unknown or undetected groupings in data

Requires:

- A measure of distance and/or similarity among data points
- A clustering algorithm to create the groupings

# There are too many algorithms and no real answers



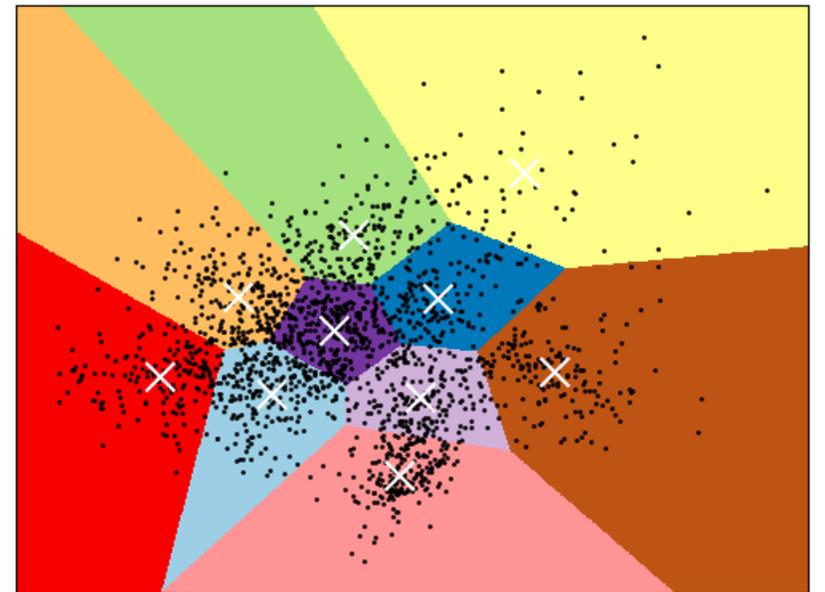
# K-means clustering

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Clusters data into  $k$  groups of equal variance by minimizing the *within-cluster sum of squares*

Divide  $n$  data points into  $k$  disjoint clusters, each described by its **mean** (ish)

$K$  is specified *in advance*



# K-means algorithm

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1. Place  $k$  "centroids" in the data
2. Assign point to cluster  $k$  based on *Euclidian distance*
3. Re-compute each  $k$  centroid based on means of associated points
4. Re-assign centroids
5. Repeat until convergence

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/K-means\\_clustering#/media/File:K-means\\_convergence.gif](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/K-means_clustering#/media/File:K-means_convergence.gif)

Do it yourself here:

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<https://www.naftaliharris.com/blog/visualizing-k-means-clustering/>

# K-means caveats

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Clustering depends on initial conditions

Algorithm guaranteed to converge, but possibly on *local optima*

No real way to know if clusters have meaning beyond the math

- **This is true for all clustering!**



# Example: iris with K=5... and broom!

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```
> iris %>%  
  select(-Species) %>% ### We can only cluster numbers!  
  kmeans(5) %>%  
  augment(iris) %>% ### Add clusters back into to original data frame  
  head()  
Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width Species .cluster  
1           5.1         3.5         1.4         0.2  setosa         4  
2           4.9         3.0         1.4         0.2  setosa         4  
3           4.7         3.2         1.3         0.2  setosa         4  
4           4.6         3.1         1.5         0.2  setosa         4  
5           5.0         3.6         1.4         0.2  setosa         4  
6           5.4         3.9         1.7         0.4  setosa         4
```

# tidy() shows per-cluster information

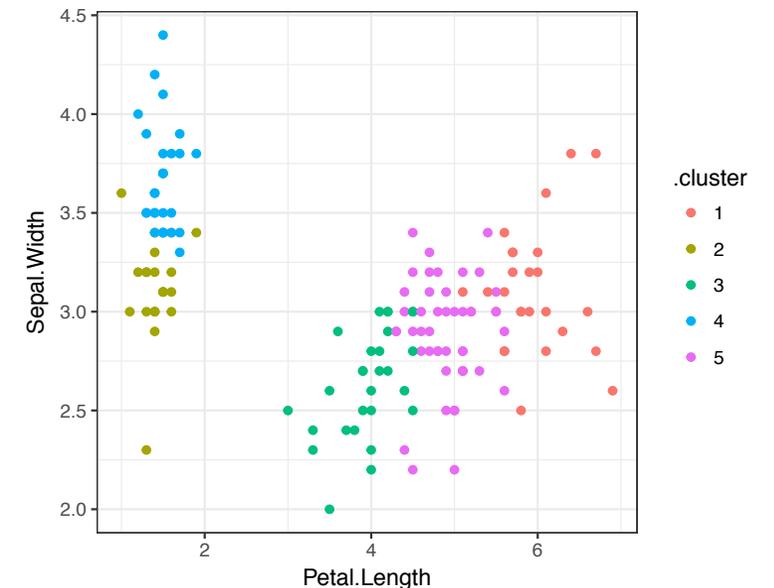
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```
> iris %>%  
  select(-Species) %>% ### We can only cluster numbers!  
  kmeans(5) %>%  
  tidy()  
   x1      x2      x3      x4 size withinss cluster  
1 5.532143 2.635714 3.960714 1.2285714 28 9.749286 1  
2 6.264444 2.884444 4.886667 1.6666667 45 17.014222 2  
3 4.704545 3.122727 1.413636 0.2000000 22 3.114091 3  
4 7.014815 3.096296 5.918519 2.1555556 27 15.351111 4  
5 5.242857 3.667857 1.500000 0.2821429 28 4.630714 5
```

# Visualize the clustering

```
> iris %>%  
  select(-Species) %>%  
  kmeans(5) %>%  
  augment(iris) %>%  
  ggplot(aes(x = Petal.Length, y=Sepal.Width)) + geom_point(aes(color = .cluster))
```

No clear way to know "best" X and Y axes besides exhaustive plotting



# Was $K=5$ reasonable?

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One (of many) approaches to choosing the best  $K$  is the "elbow method"

- Plot within-sum-of-squares across different  $K$  choices
- "Best"  $k$  is where you see an elbow/kink in the plot
- **Highly subjective**

# Choosing K with broom

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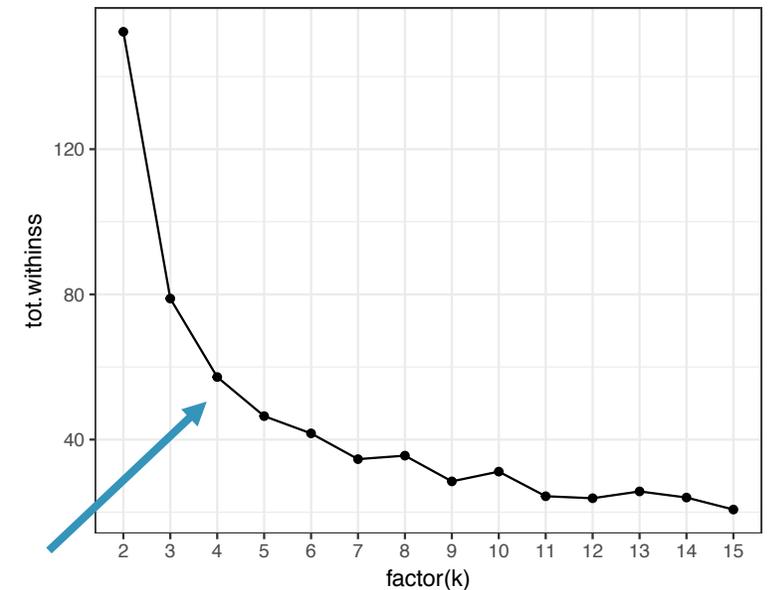
```
>iris %>%  
  select(-Species) %>%  
  kmeans(5) %>%  
  glance()  
  totss tot.withinss betweenss iter  
1 681.3706      51.08942 630.2812     2
```

```
> numeric.iris <- iris %>% select(-Species)  
> tibble(k = 2:15) %>%  
  group_by(k) %>%  
  do(kclust=kmeans(numeric.iris, .$k)) %>%  
  glance(kclust)
```

|     | k | totss    | tot.withinss | betweenss | iter |
|-----|---|----------|--------------|-----------|------|
| 1   | 2 | 681.3706 | 152.34795    | 529.0226  | 1    |
| 2   | 3 | 681.3706 | 78.85144     | 602.5192  | 2    |
| 3   | 4 | 681.3706 | 57.26562     | 624.1050  | 2    |
| 4   | 5 | 681.3706 | 49.82228     | 631.5483  | 2    |
| 5   | 6 | 681.3706 | 42.42155     | 638.9491  | 4    |
| 6   | 7 | 681.3706 | 36.83714     | 644.5335  | 3    |
| 7   | 8 | 681.3706 | 40.84578     | 640.5248  | 3    |
| ... |   |          |              |           |      |

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> tibble(k = 2:15) %>%
  group_by(k) %>%
  do(kclust=kmeans(numeric.iris, .$k)) %>%
  glance(kclust) %>%
  mutate(g = 1) %>%    ### ggplot gets angsty with geom_line without this specification
  ggplot(aes(x = factor(k), y = tot.withinss, group=g)) + geom_point() + geom_line()
```



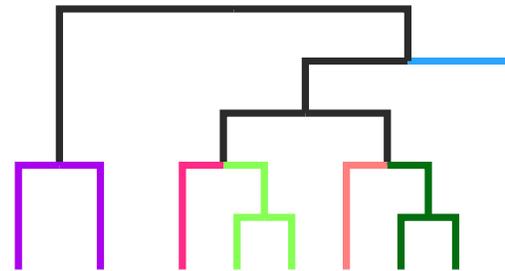
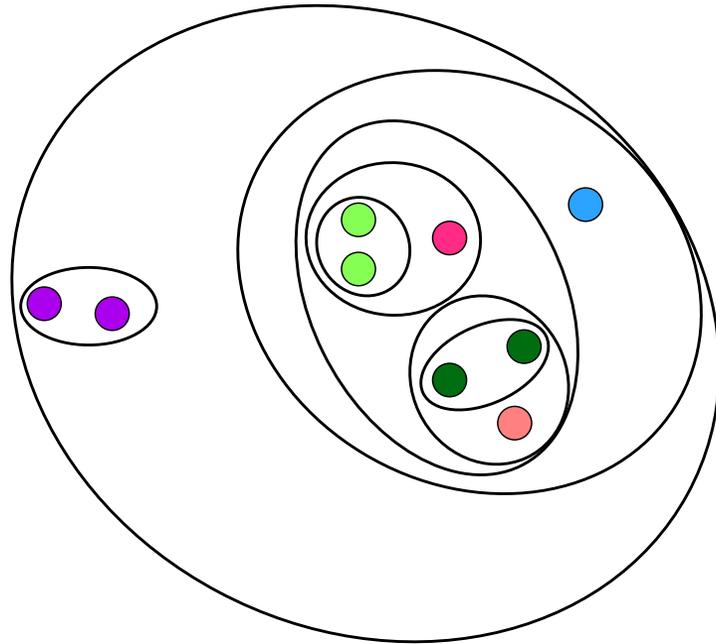
"Elbow" = shift in slope happens around K=4

# Hierarchical clustering

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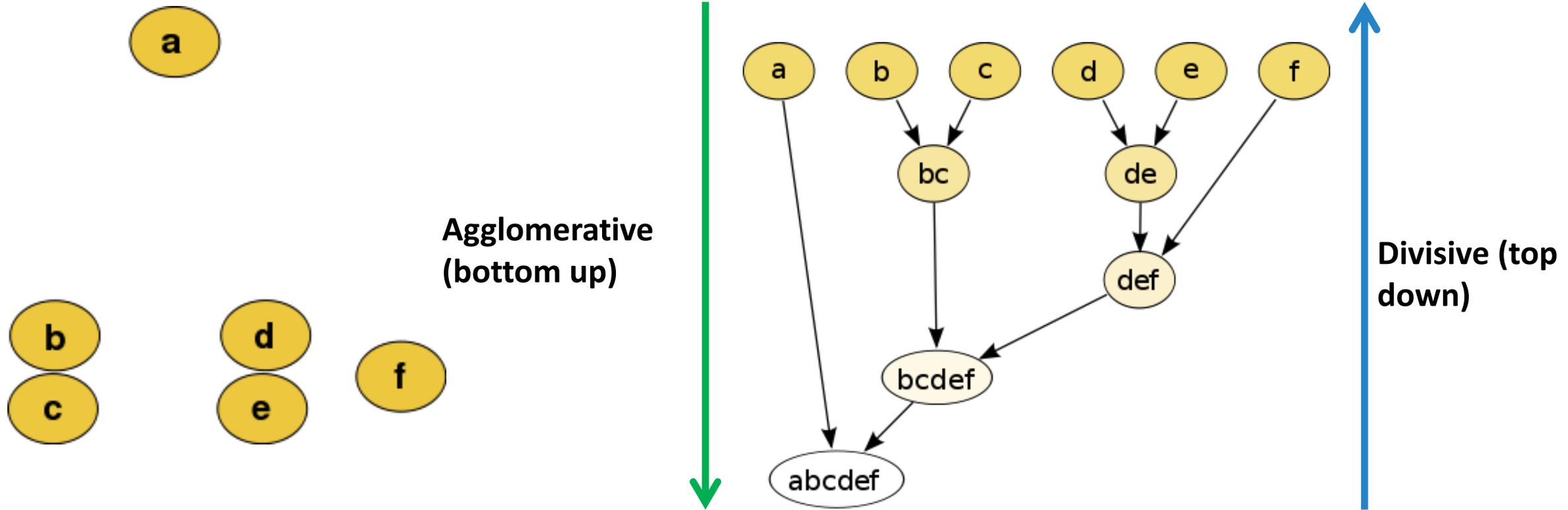
Extremely common in gene expression and/or systems biology studies

Useful when data have a hierarchical structure:

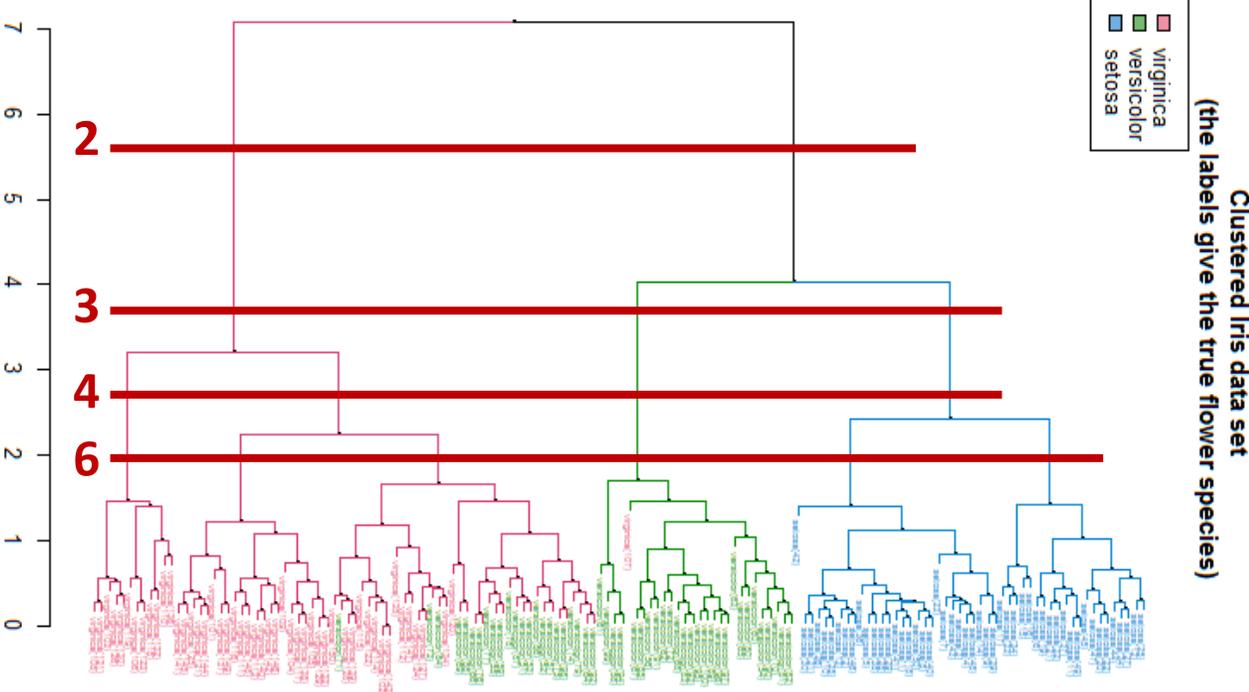


# Approach

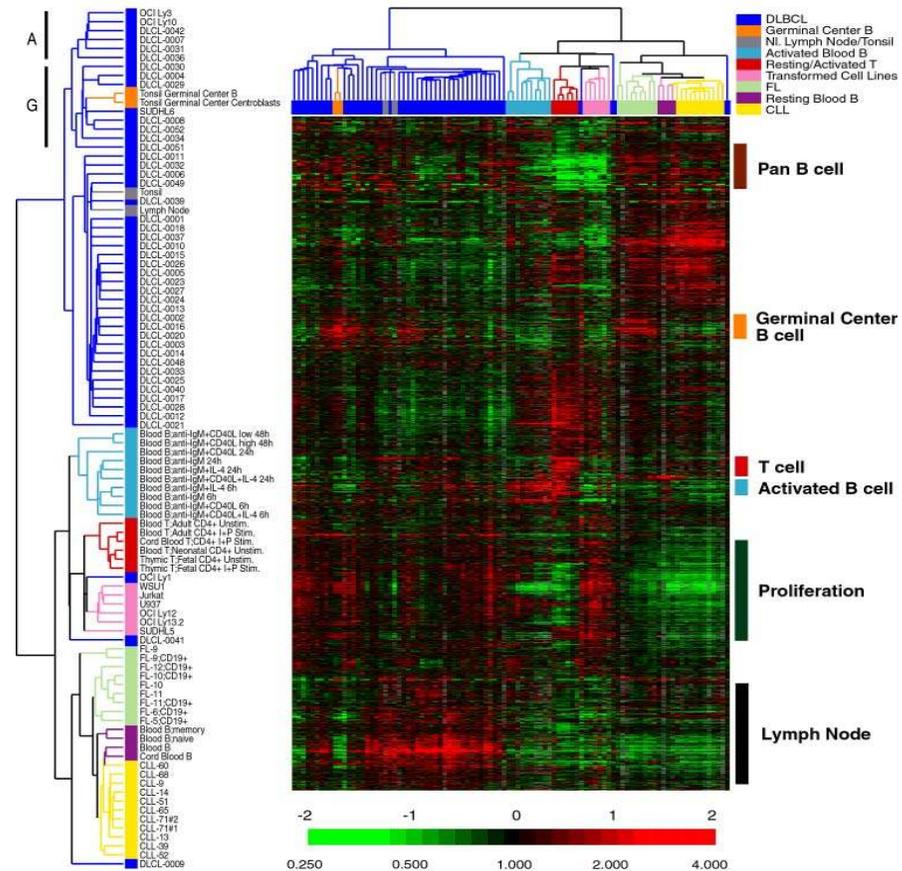
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# Example output



# You will see this figure in every –omics paper you read



What does the real world have to say?

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# ENCODE battles



## Comparison of the transcriptional landscapes between human and mouse tissues

Shin Lin<sup>a,b,1</sup>, Yiing Lin<sup>c,1</sup>, Joseph R. Nery<sup>d</sup>, Mark A. Urich<sup>d</sup>, Alessandra Breschi<sup>e,f</sup>, Carrie A. Davis<sup>g</sup>, Alexander Dobin<sup>g</sup>, Christopher Zaleski<sup>g</sup>, Michael A. Beer<sup>h</sup>, William C. Chapman<sup>c</sup>, Thomas R. Gingeras<sup>g,i</sup>, Joseph R. Ecker<sup>d,j,2</sup>, and Michael P. Snyder<sup>a,2</sup>

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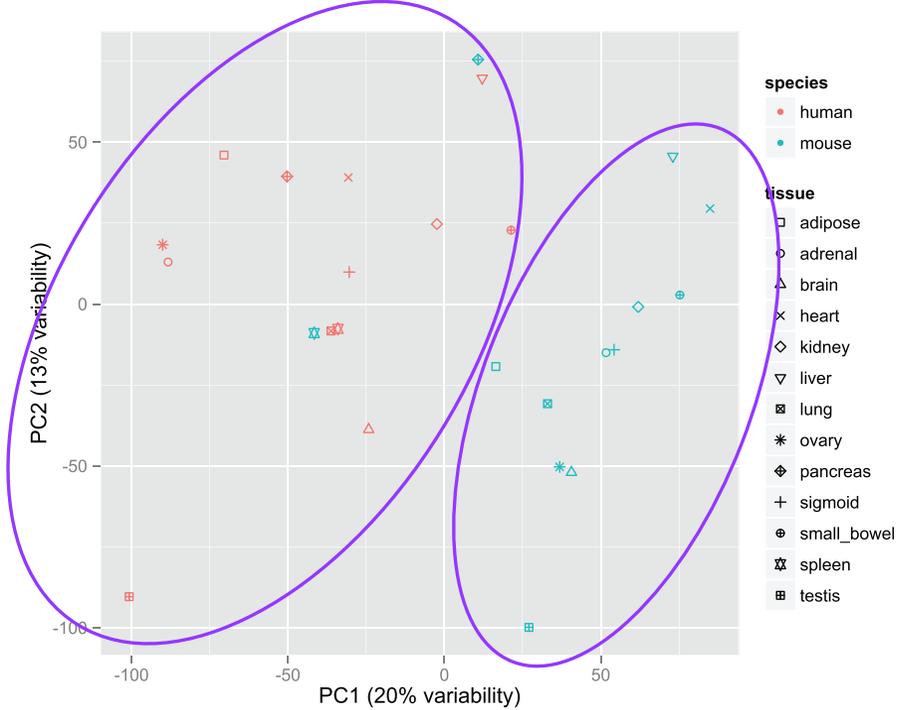
**A reanalysis of mouse ENCODE comparative gene expression data [version 1; referees: 3 approved, 1 approved with reservations]**

Yoav Gilad, Orna Mizrahi-Man

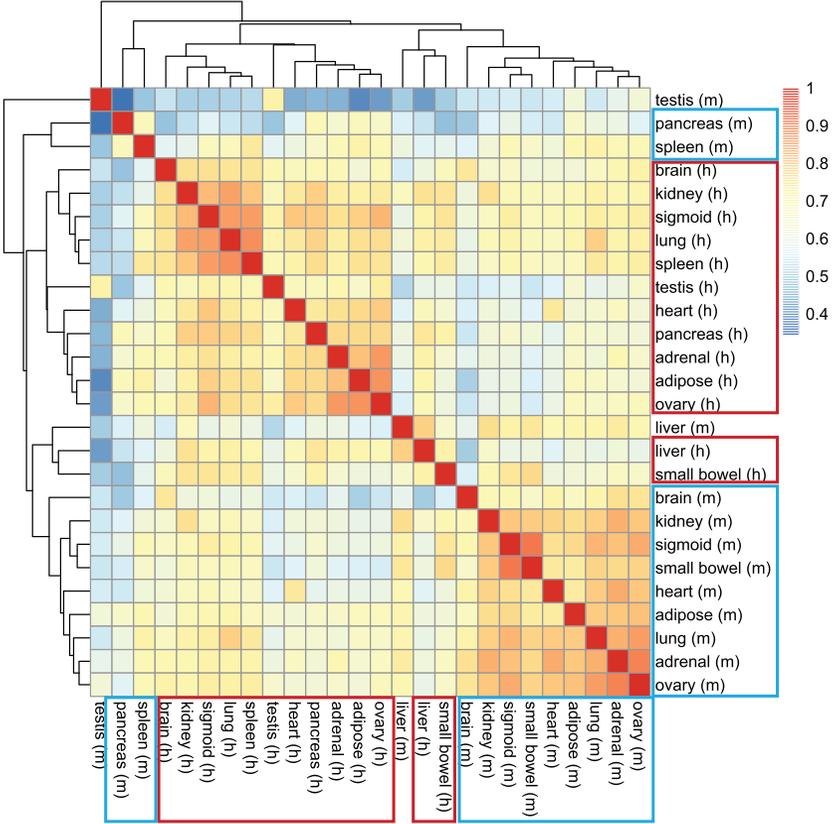
Department of Human Genetics, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, 60637, USA

# Original findings: Clusters by species

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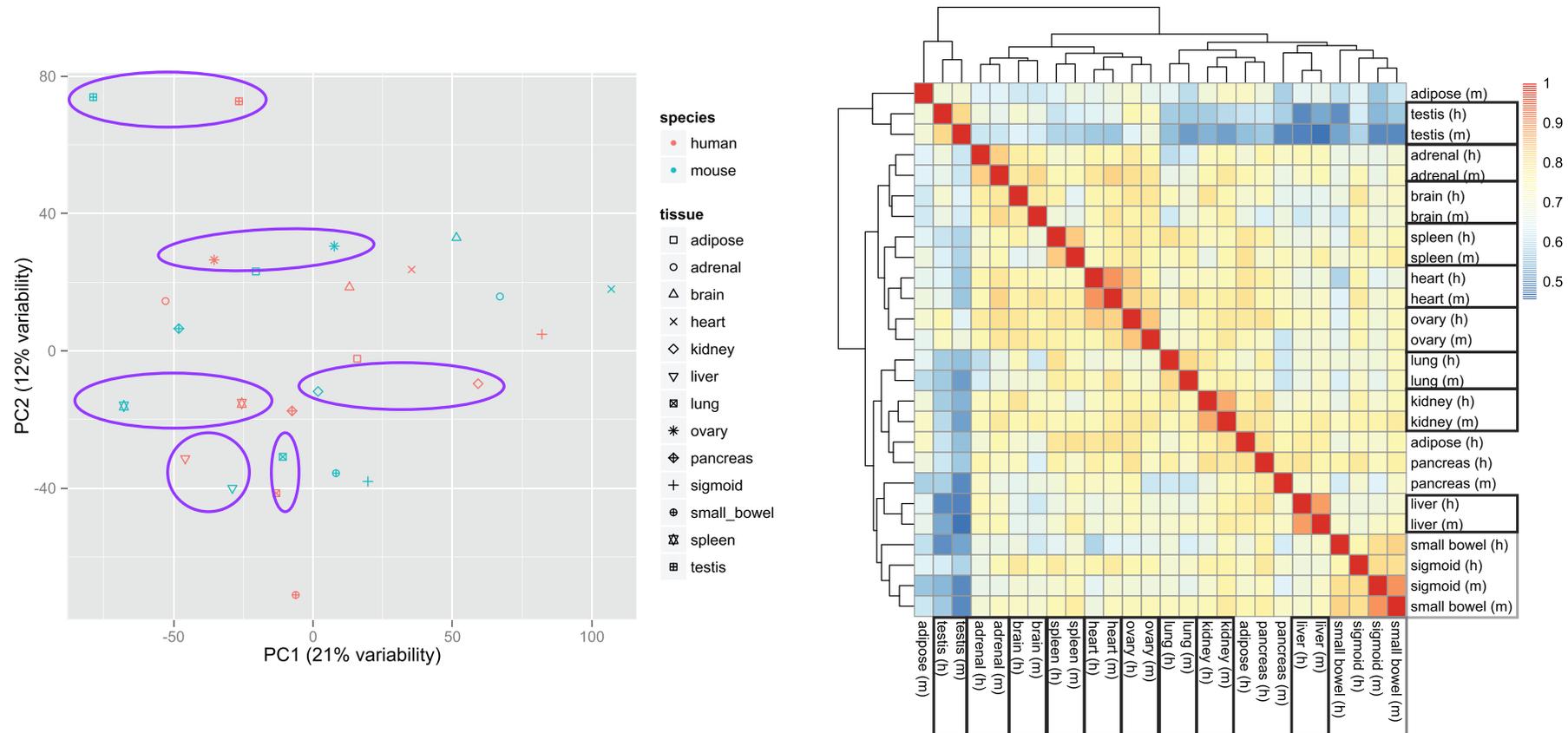


# Confounding study design means results dominated by *batch effects*

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| D87PMJN1<br>(run 253,<br>flow cell<br>D2GUAACXX,<br>lane 7) | D87PMJN1<br>(run 253,<br>flow cell<br>D2GUAACXX ,<br>lane 8) | D4LHBFN1<br>(run 276,<br>flow cell<br>C2HKJACXX ,<br>lane 4) | MONK<br>(run 312,<br>flow cell<br>C2GR3ACXX ,<br>lane 6) | HWI-ST373<br>(run 375,<br>flow cell<br>C3172ACXX ,<br>lane 7) |
|---|--|--|--|---|
| heart   | adipose  | adipose  | heart  | brain   |
| kidney  | adrenal  | adrenal  | kidney   | pancreas  |
| liver   | sigmoid colon  | sigmoid colon  | liver  | brain   |
| small bowel   | lung   | lung   | small bowel  | spleen  |
| spleen  | ovary  | ovary  | testis   | ● Human   |
| testis  |  | pancreas   |  | ● Mouse   |

# Accounting for batch effects changes the story

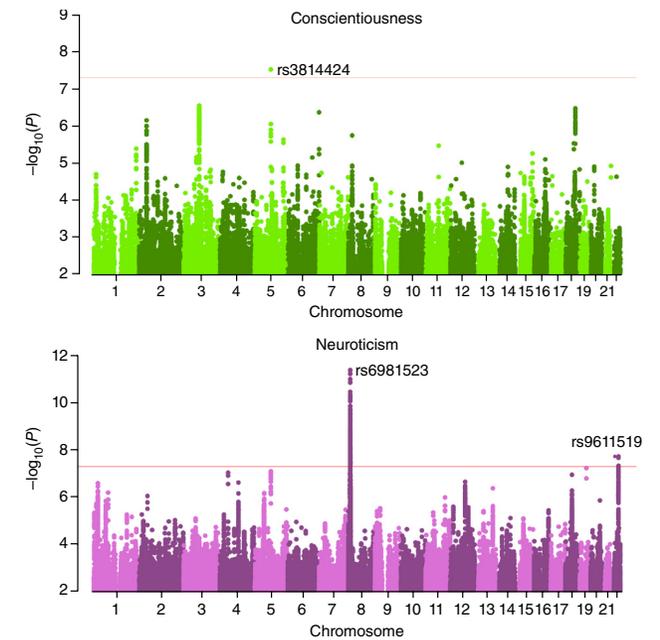
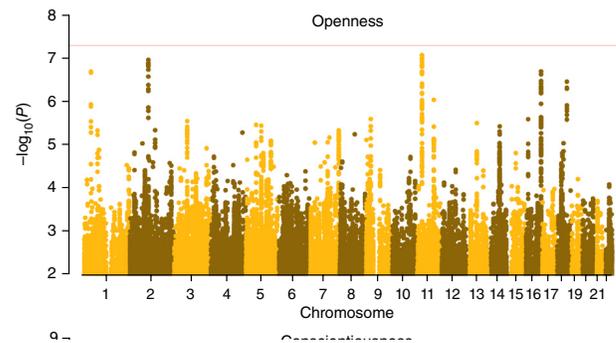
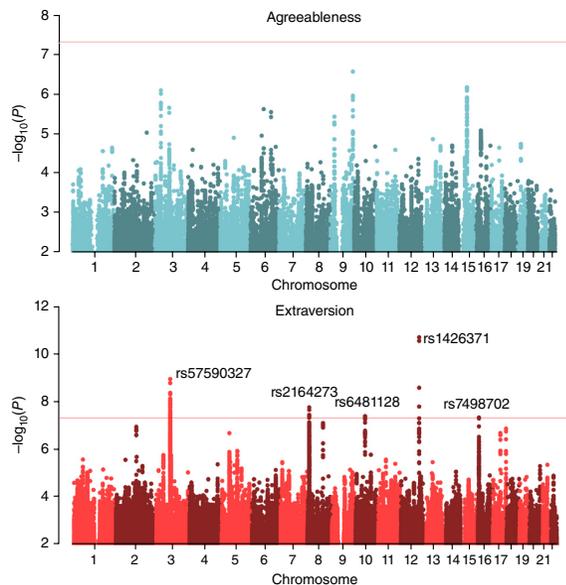


# Today's very believable GWAS

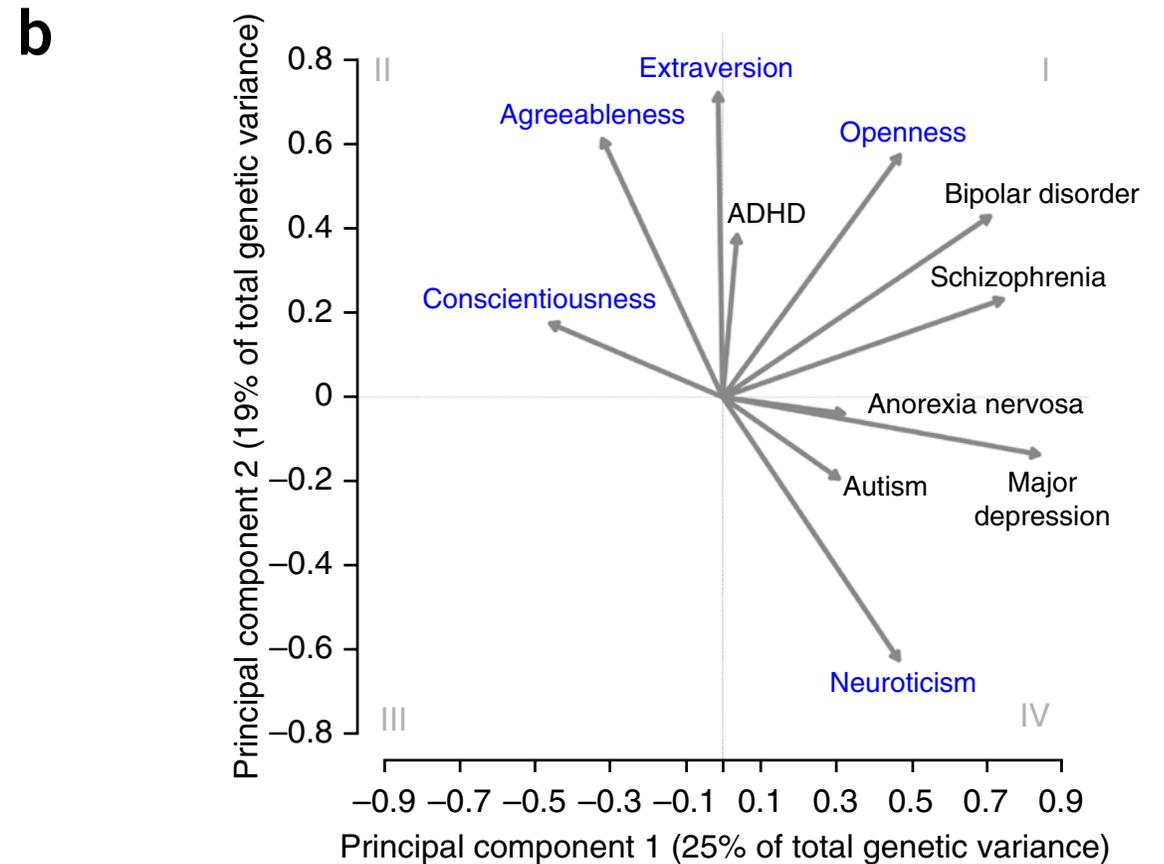
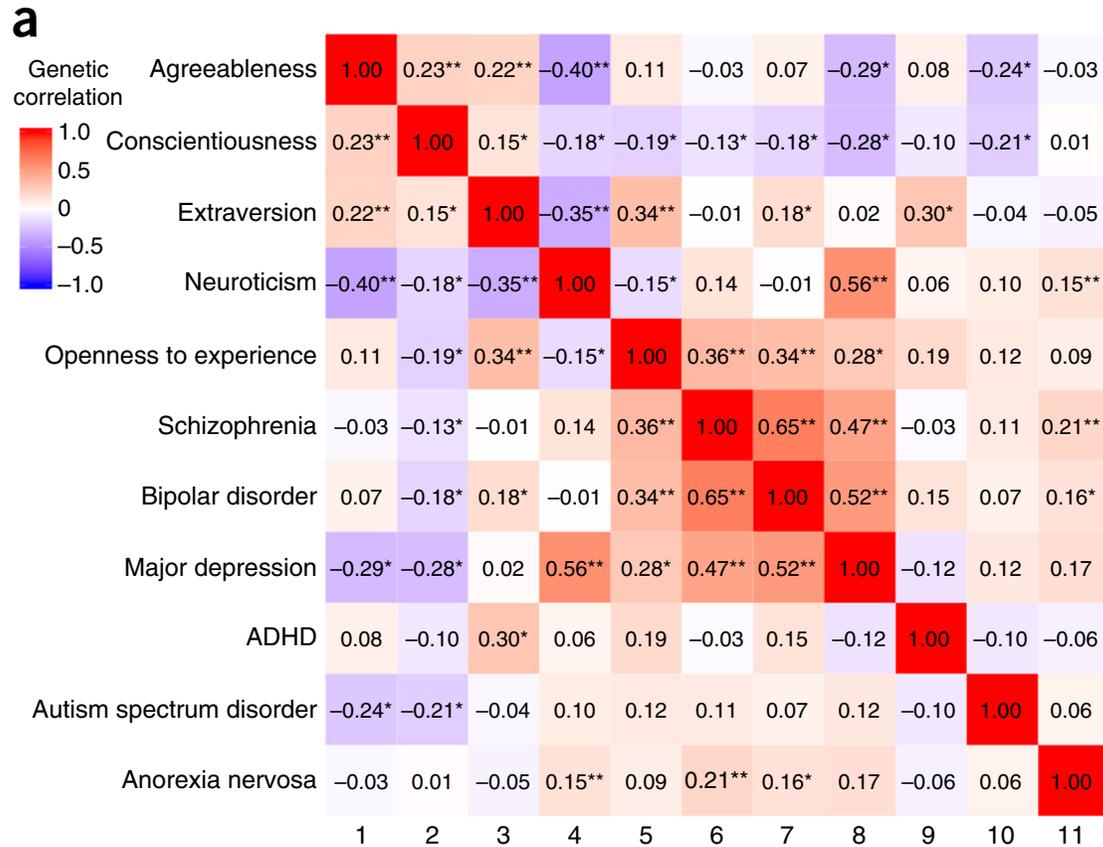
## LETTERS

Genome-wide analyses for personality traits identify six genomic loci and show correlations with psychiatric disorders

Min-Tzu Lo<sup>1</sup>, David A Hinds<sup>2</sup>, Joyce Y Tung<sup>2</sup>, Carol Franz<sup>3</sup>, Chun-Chieh Fan<sup>1,4</sup>, Yunpeng Wang<sup>5-7</sup>, Olav B Smeland<sup>6,7</sup>, Andrew Schork<sup>1,4</sup>, Dominic Holland<sup>5</sup>, Karolina Kauppi<sup>1,8</sup>, Nilotpal Sanyal<sup>1</sup>, Valentina Escott-Price<sup>9</sup>, Daniel J Smith<sup>10</sup>, Michael O'Donovan<sup>9</sup>, Hreinn Stefansson<sup>11</sup>, Gyda Bjornsdottir<sup>11</sup>, Thorgeir E Thorgeirsson<sup>11</sup>, Kari Stefansson<sup>11</sup>, Linda K McEvoy<sup>1</sup>, Anders M Dale<sup>1,3,5</sup>, Ole A Andreassen<sup>6,7</sup> & Chi-Hua Chen<sup>1</sup>



# PCA loadings from GWAS





## Ancient DNA

## Genomic insights into the peopling of the Southwest Pacific

Pontus Skoglund<sup>1,2,3</sup>, Cosimo Posth<sup>4,5</sup>, Kendra Sirak<sup>6,7</sup>, Matthew Spriggs<sup>8,9</sup>, Frederique Valentin<sup>10</sup>, Stuart Bedford<sup>9,11</sup>, Geoffrey R. Clark<sup>11</sup>, Christian Reepmeyer<sup>12</sup>, Fiona Petchey<sup>13</sup>, Daniel Fernandes<sup>6,14</sup>, Qiaomei Fu<sup>1,15,16</sup>, Eadaoin Harney<sup>1,2</sup>, Mark Lipson<sup>1</sup>, Swapan Mallick<sup>1,2</sup>, Mario Novak<sup>6,17</sup>, Nadin Rohland<sup>1</sup>, Kristin Stewardson<sup>1,2,18</sup>, Syafiq Abdullah<sup>19</sup>, Murray P. Cox<sup>20</sup>, Françoise R. Friedlaender<sup>21</sup>, Jonathan S. Friedlaender<sup>22</sup>, Toomas Kivisild<sup>23,24</sup>, George Kokij<sup>25</sup>, Pradiptajati Kusuma<sup>26</sup>, D. Andrew Merriwether<sup>27</sup>, Francois-X. Ricaut<sup>28</sup>, Joseph T. S. Wee<sup>29</sup>, Nick Patterson<sup>2</sup>, Johannes Krause<sup>3</sup>, Ron Pinhasi<sup>6,8</sup> & David Reich<sup>1,2,18,8</sup>

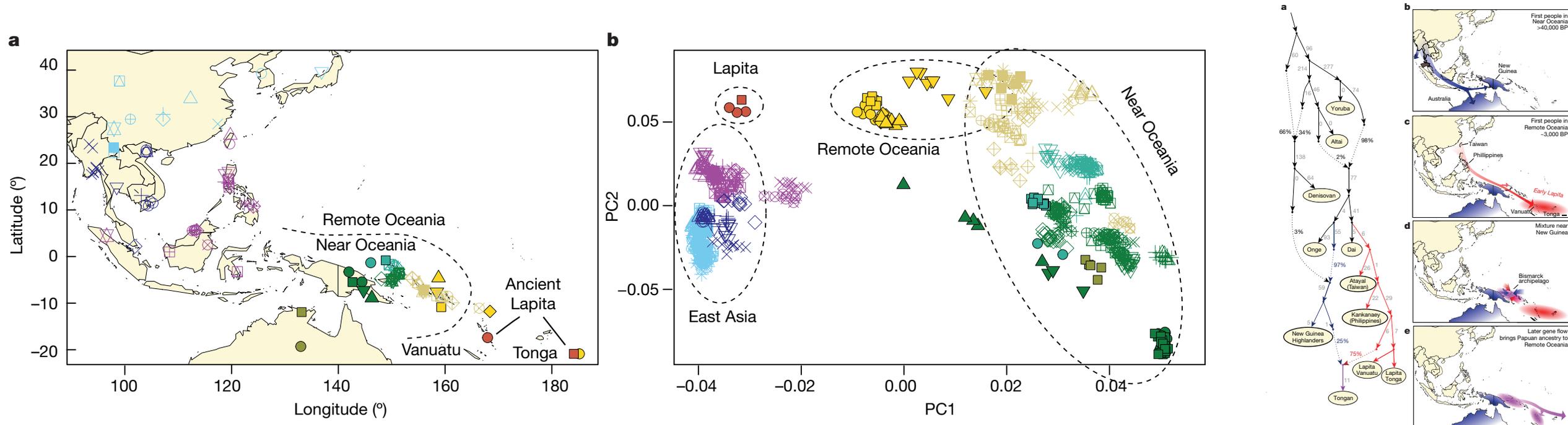


Figure 3 | A model of population history. **a**, A model of population

# Honeybee gene expression

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## Honeybees show *division of labor* (common in social insects)

- Young worker bees care for broods ("nursing") and transition to foraging at 2-3 weeks
- Change is hormonally determined

Studied 72 bees with 108 microarrays = **high dimensional data**



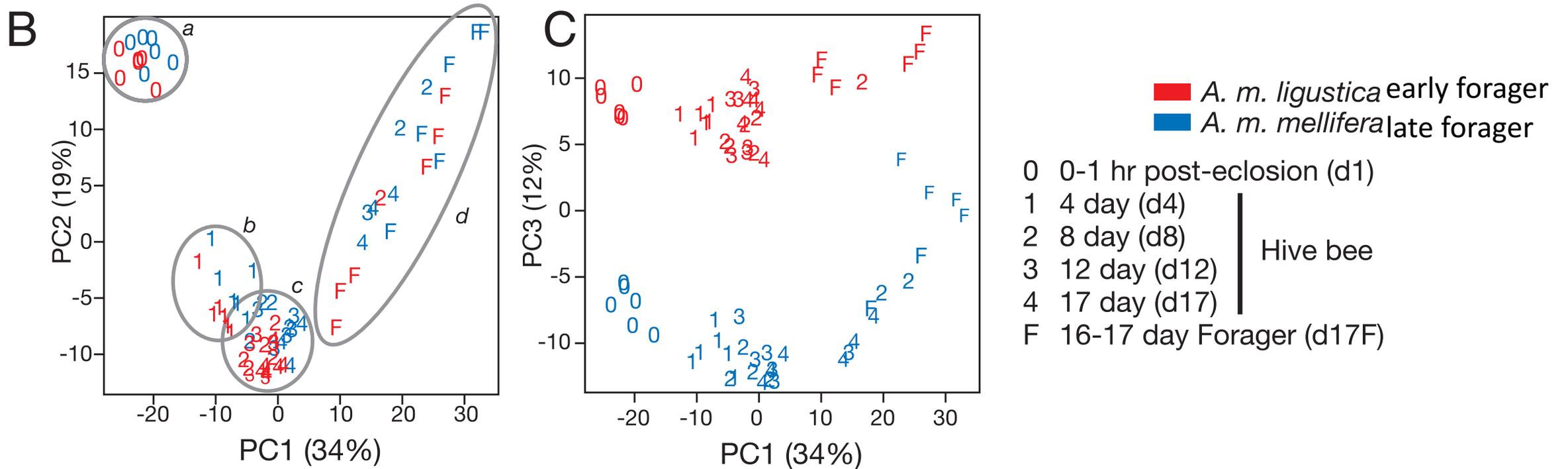
## Genomic dissection of behavioral maturation in the honey bee

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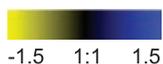
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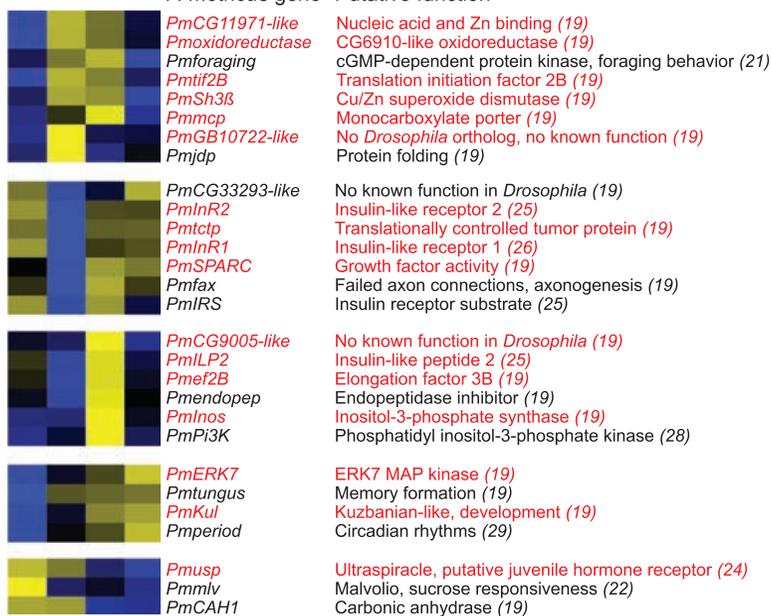
# People love social insects

## Wasp Gene Expression Supports an Evolutionary Link Between Maternal Behavior and Eusociality

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Foundress  
Gyne  
Queen  
Worker



|                  | Provisioning                        | Non-provisioning |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| Reproductive     | <b>Foundress</b><br>(maternal care) | <b>Queen</b>     |
| Non-reproductive | <b>Worker</b><br>(sibling care)     | <b>Gyne</b>      |

