

# Fast Discriminative Component Analysis for Comparing Examples

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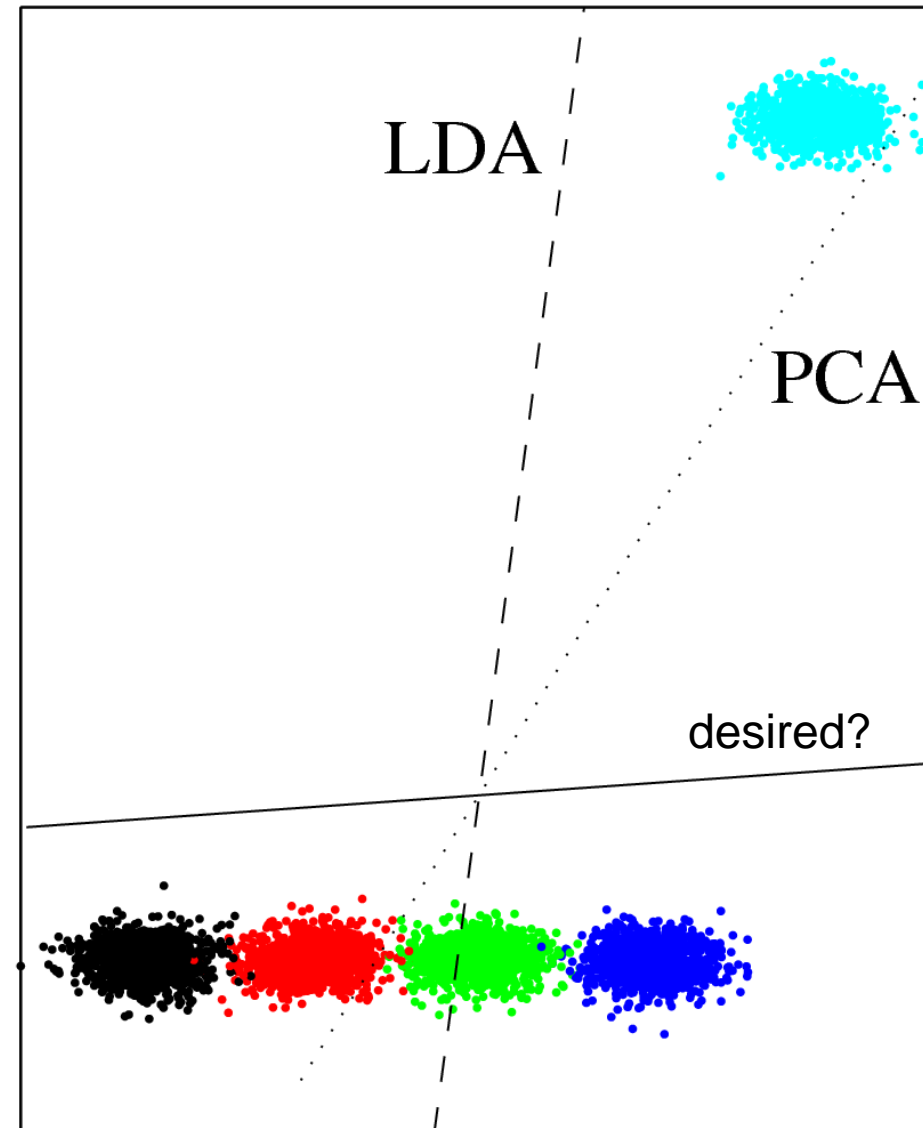
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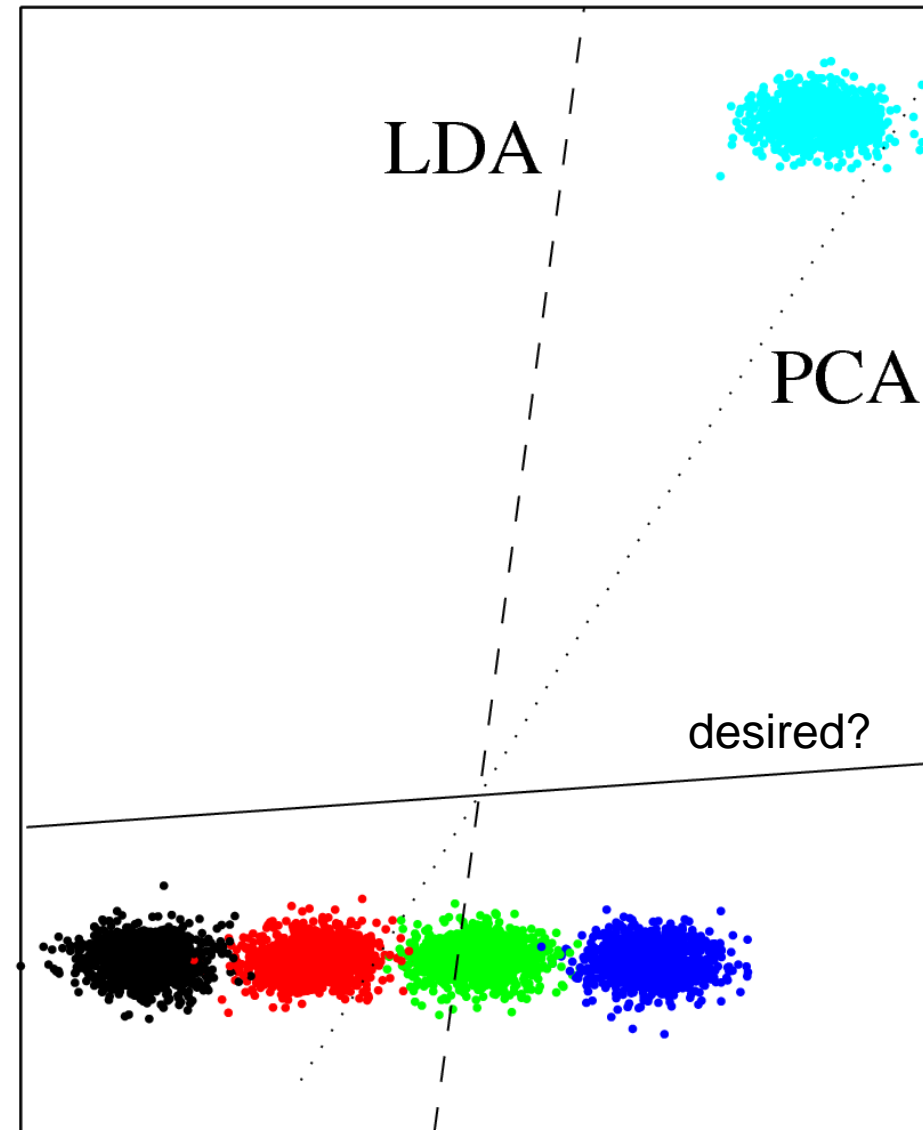
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MDA. LDA and many extensions  
can be seen as models that  
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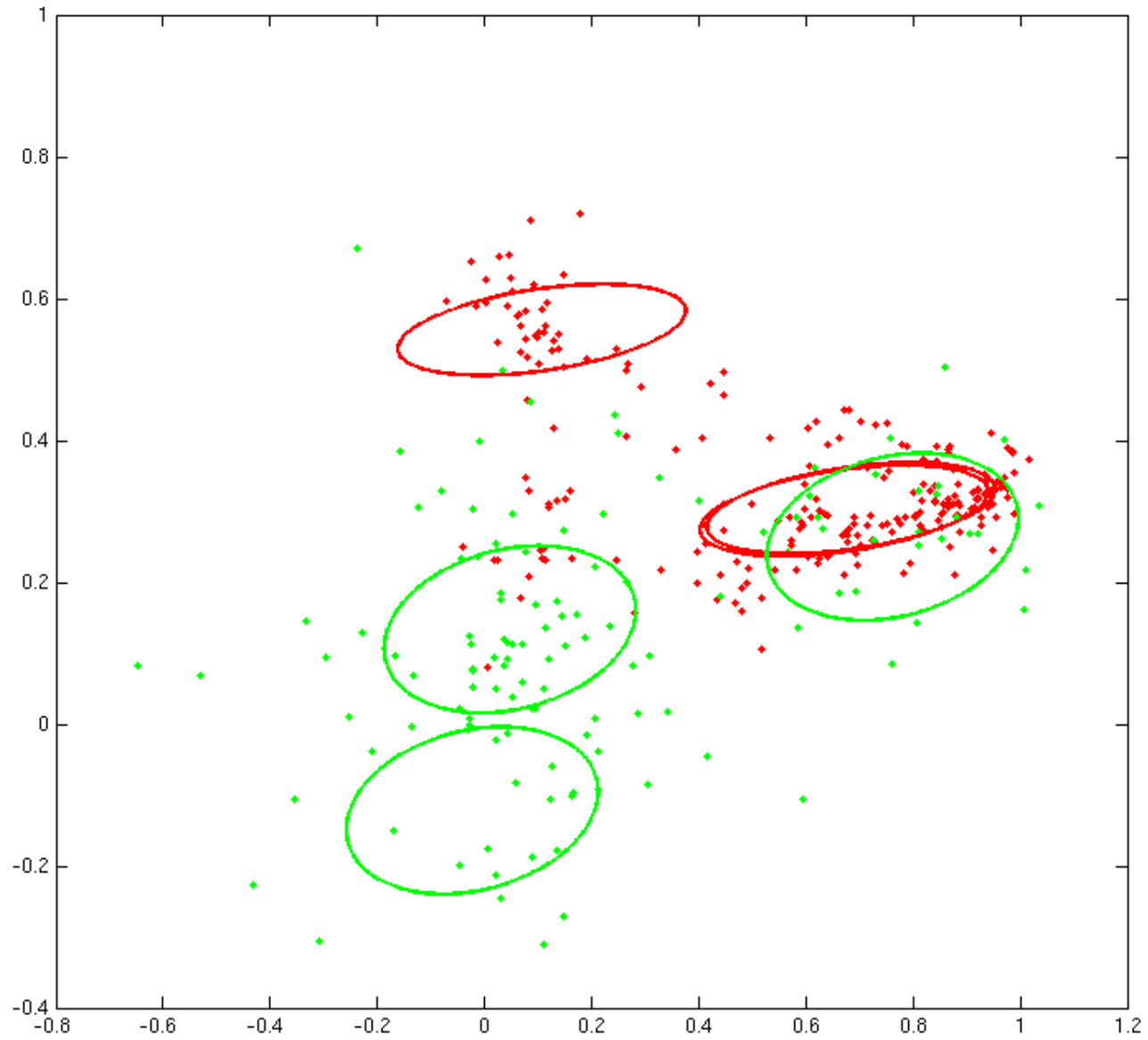
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We call this “discriminative component analysis by Gaussian mixtures” or DCA-GM

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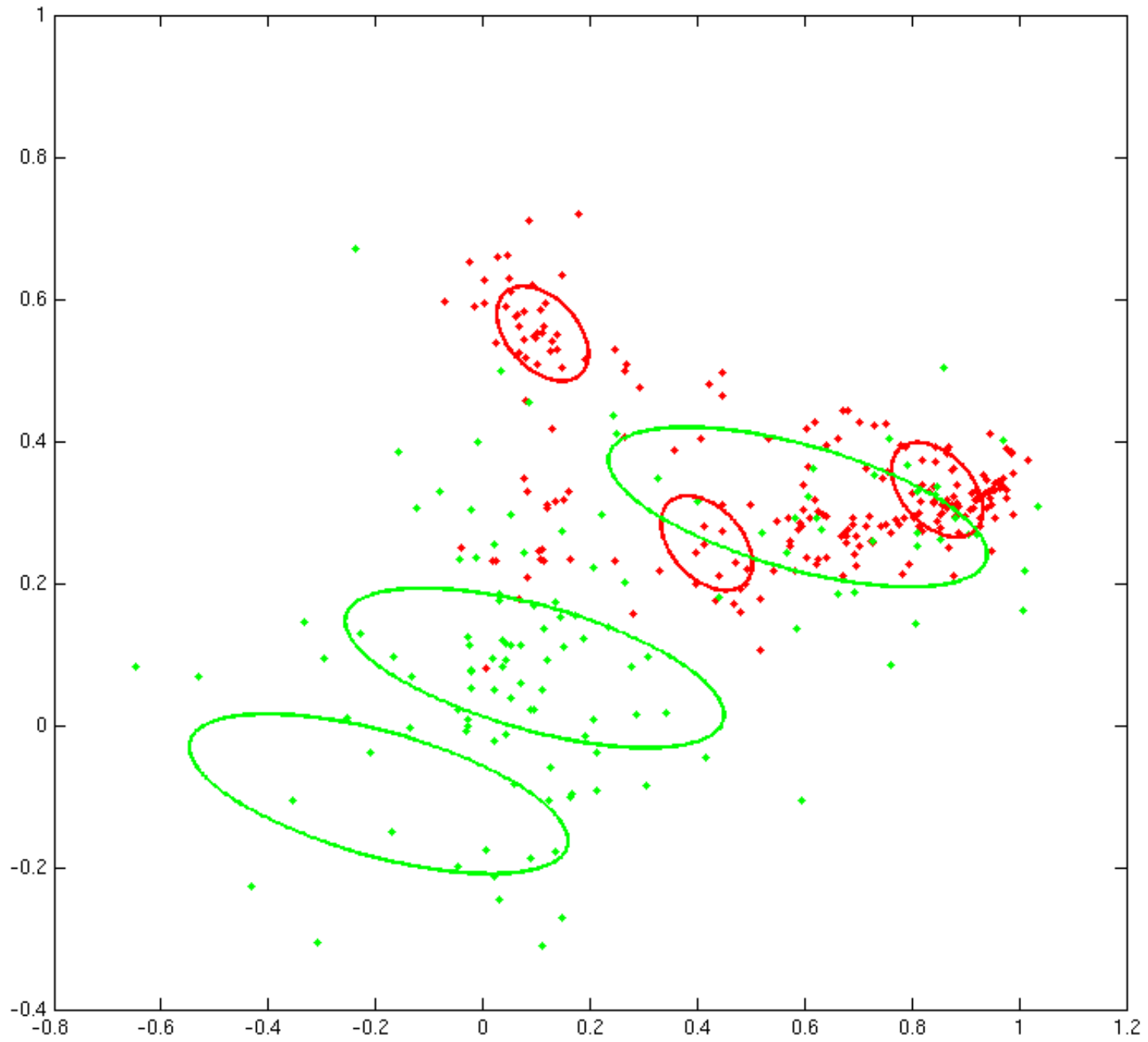
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We could optimize the mixture model parameters by conjugate gradient too.

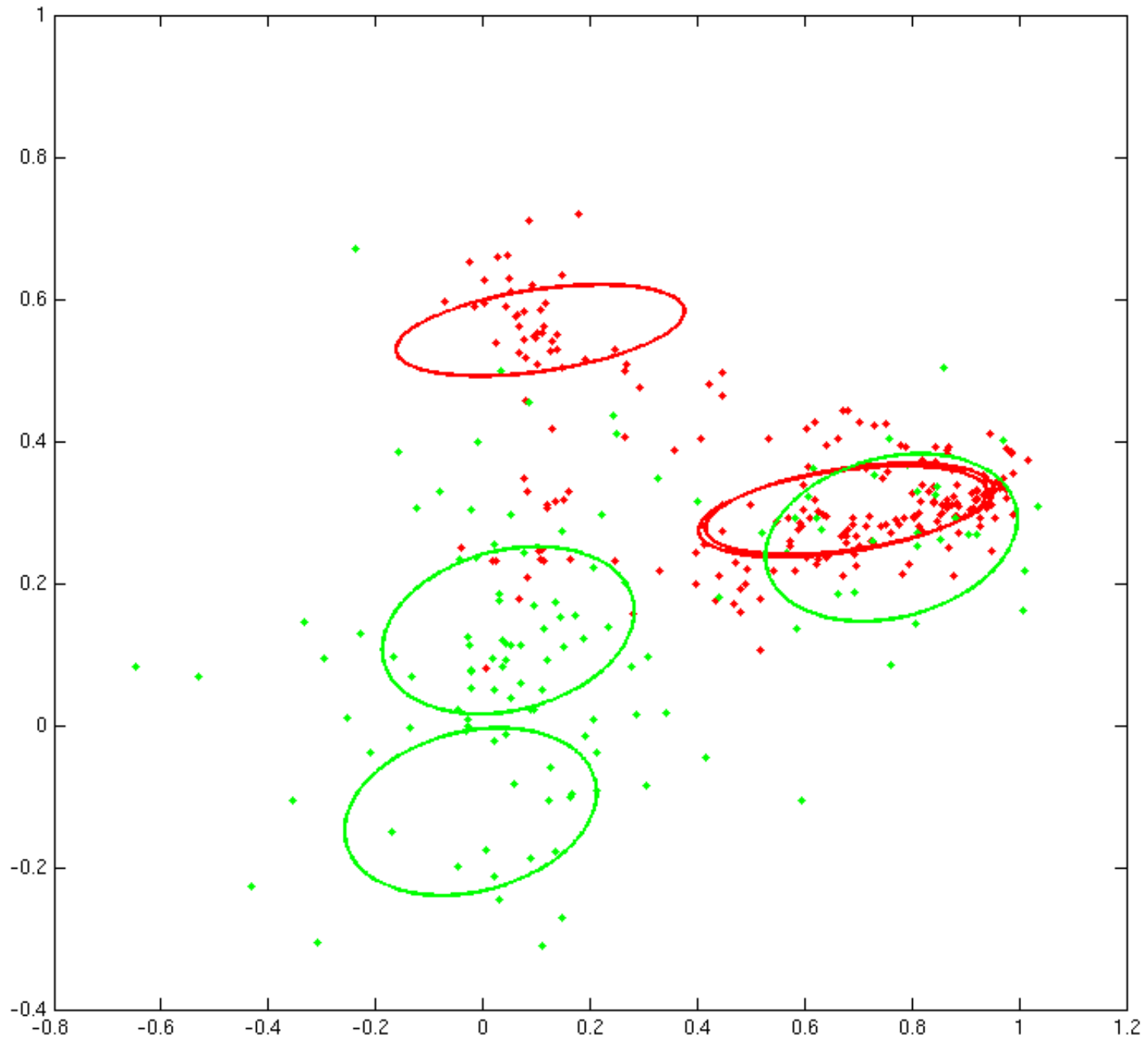
But here we will use a hybrid approach: we optimize the mixture by EM before each conjugate gradient iteration.

Then only the projection matrix  $A$  needs to be optimized by conjugate gradient.

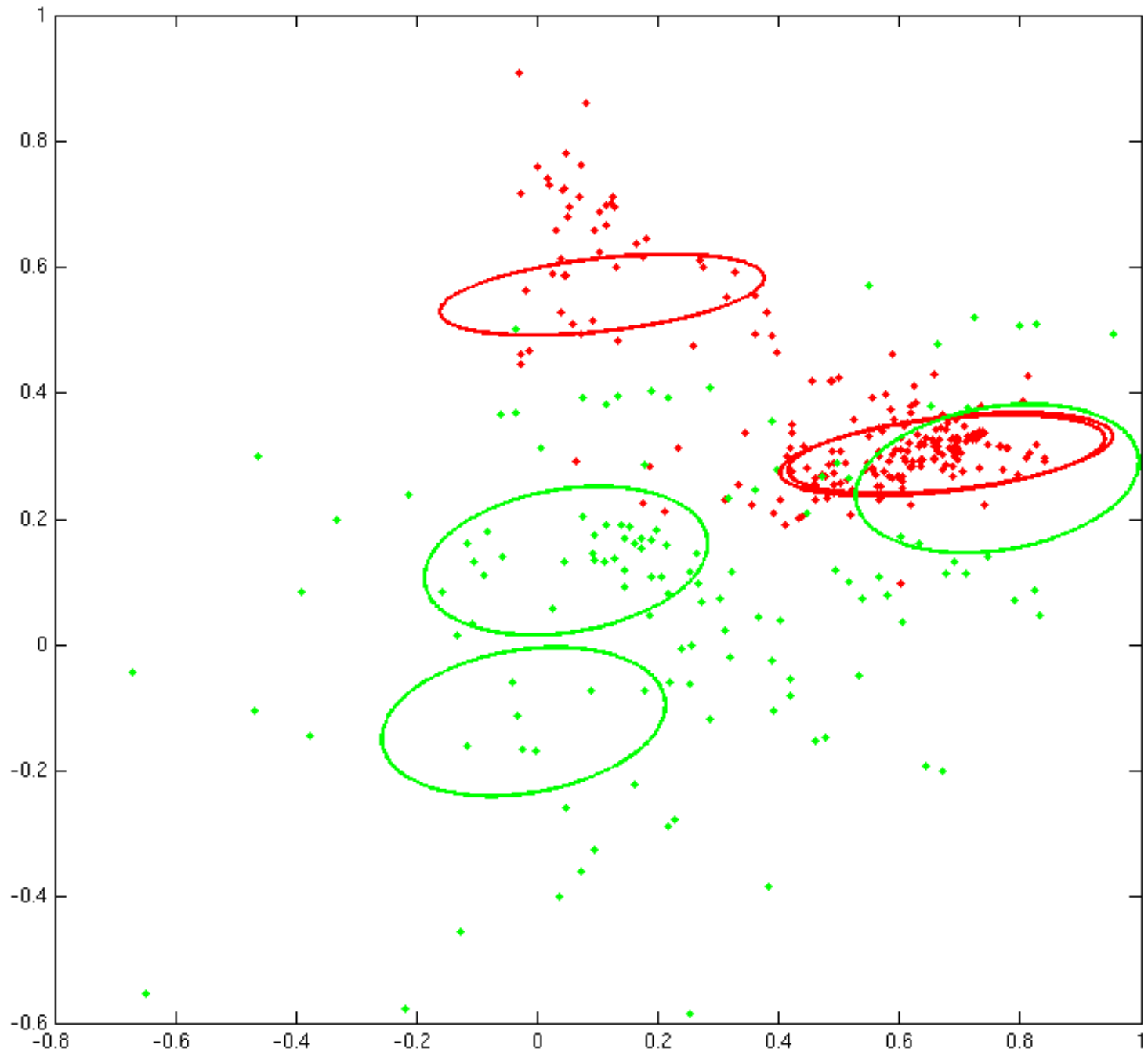
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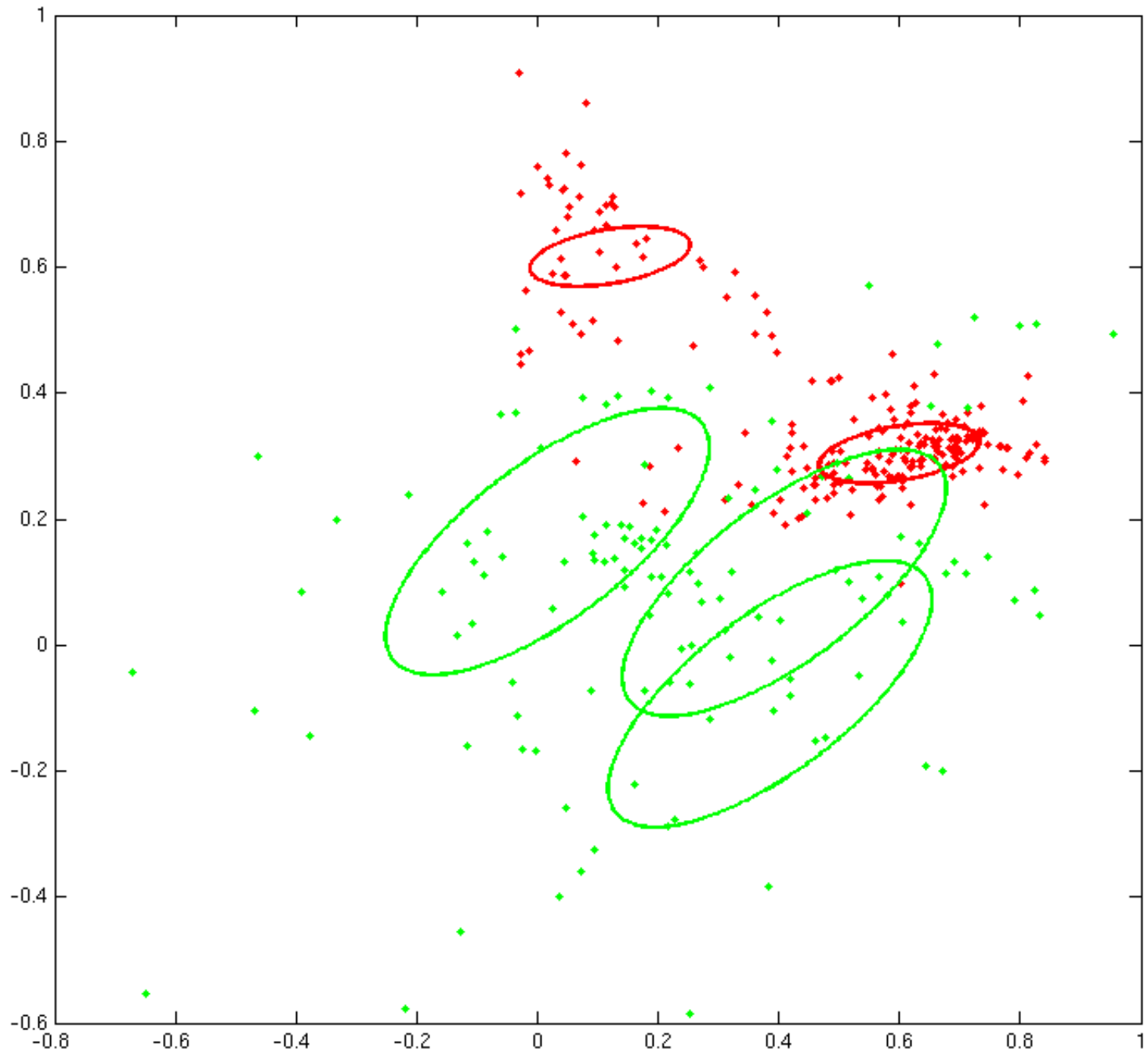
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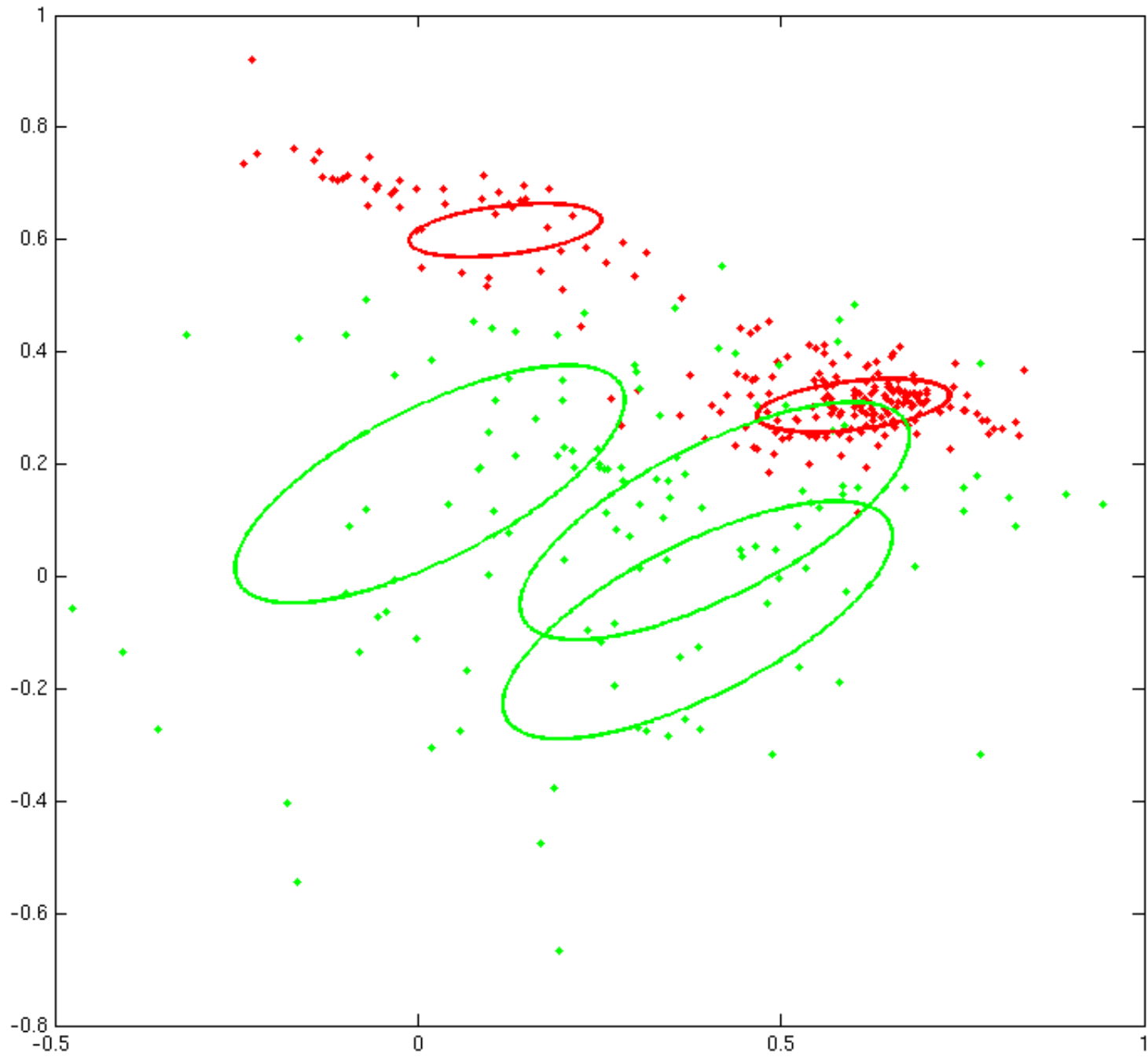
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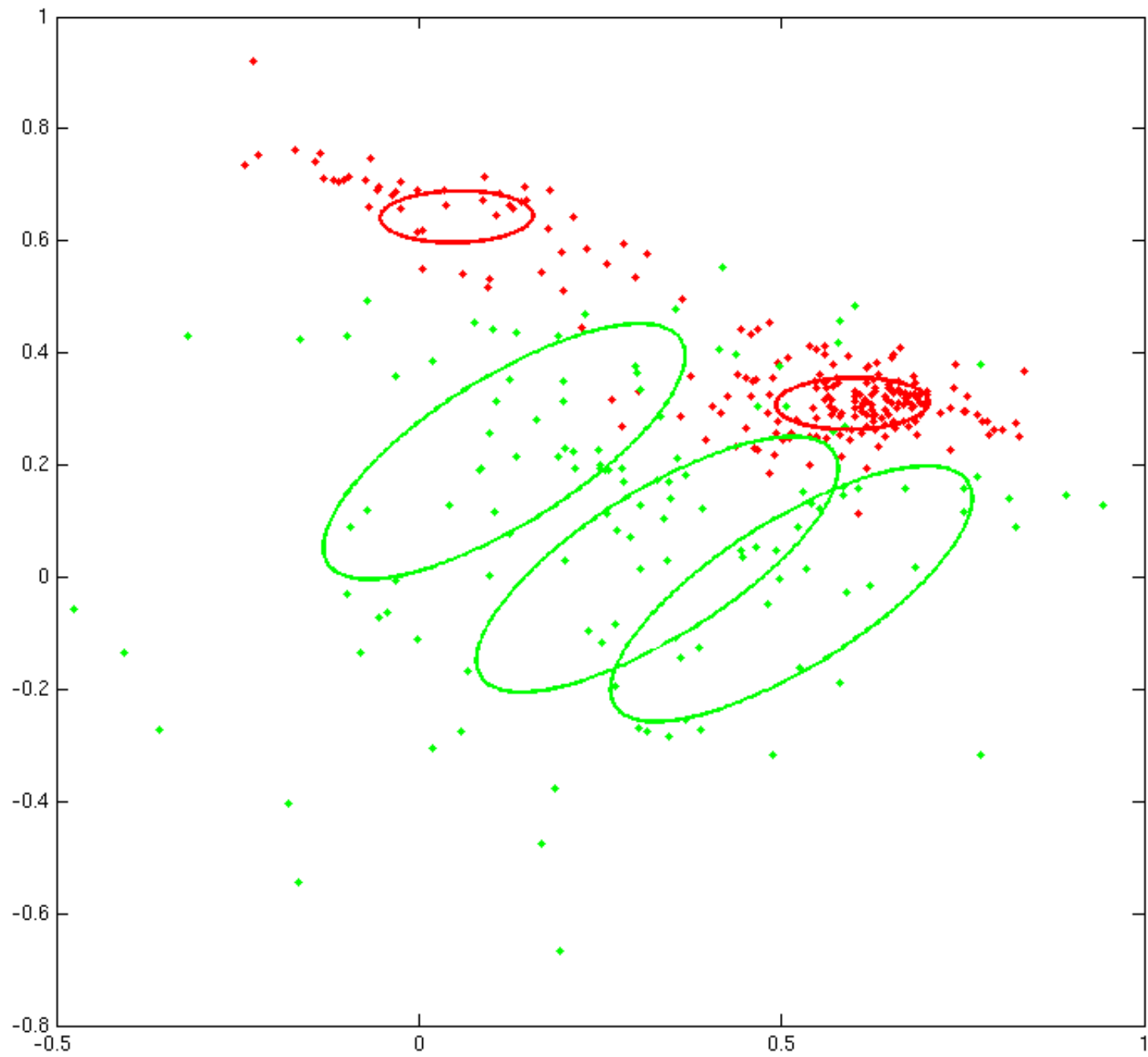
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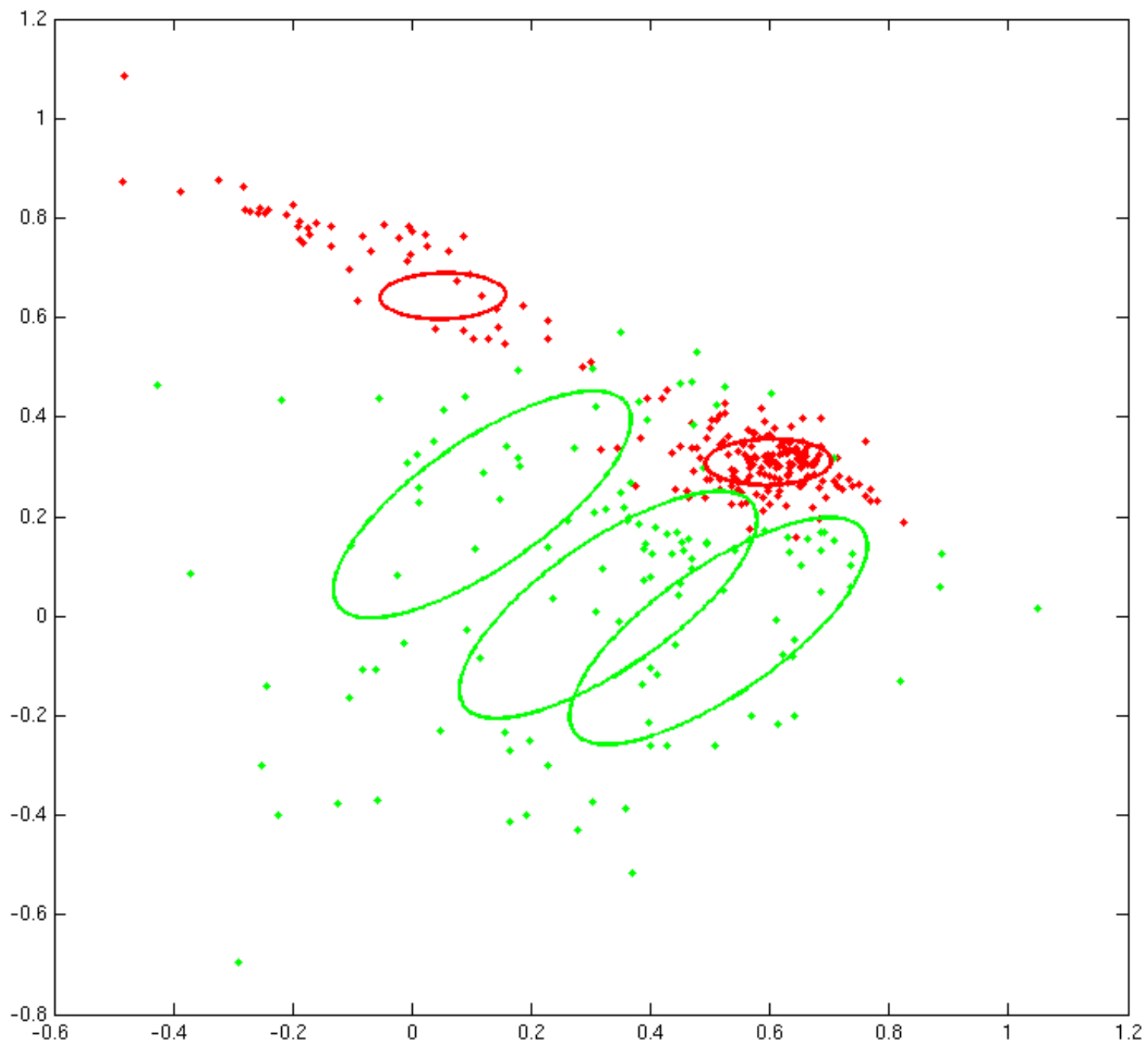
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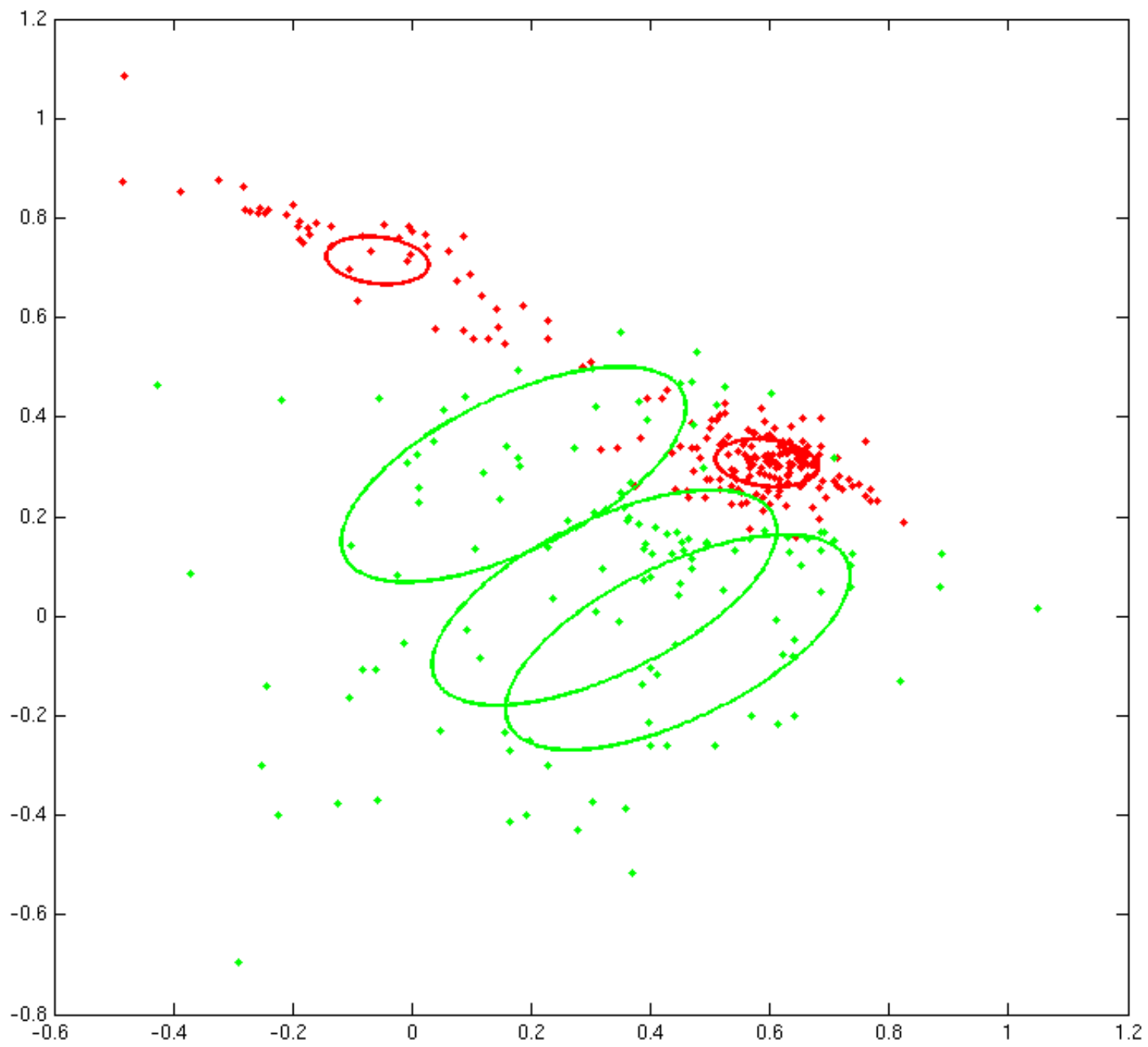


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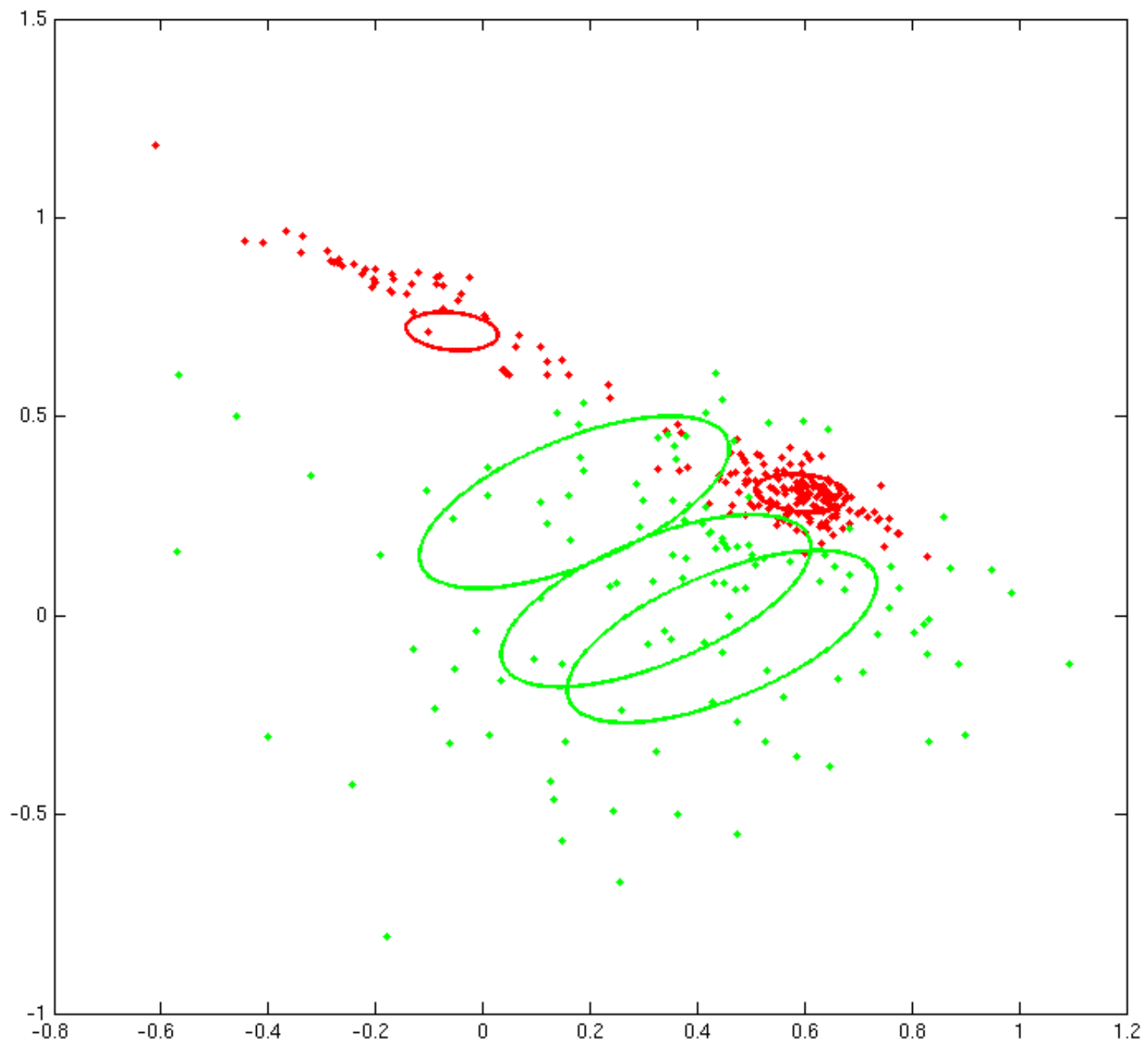




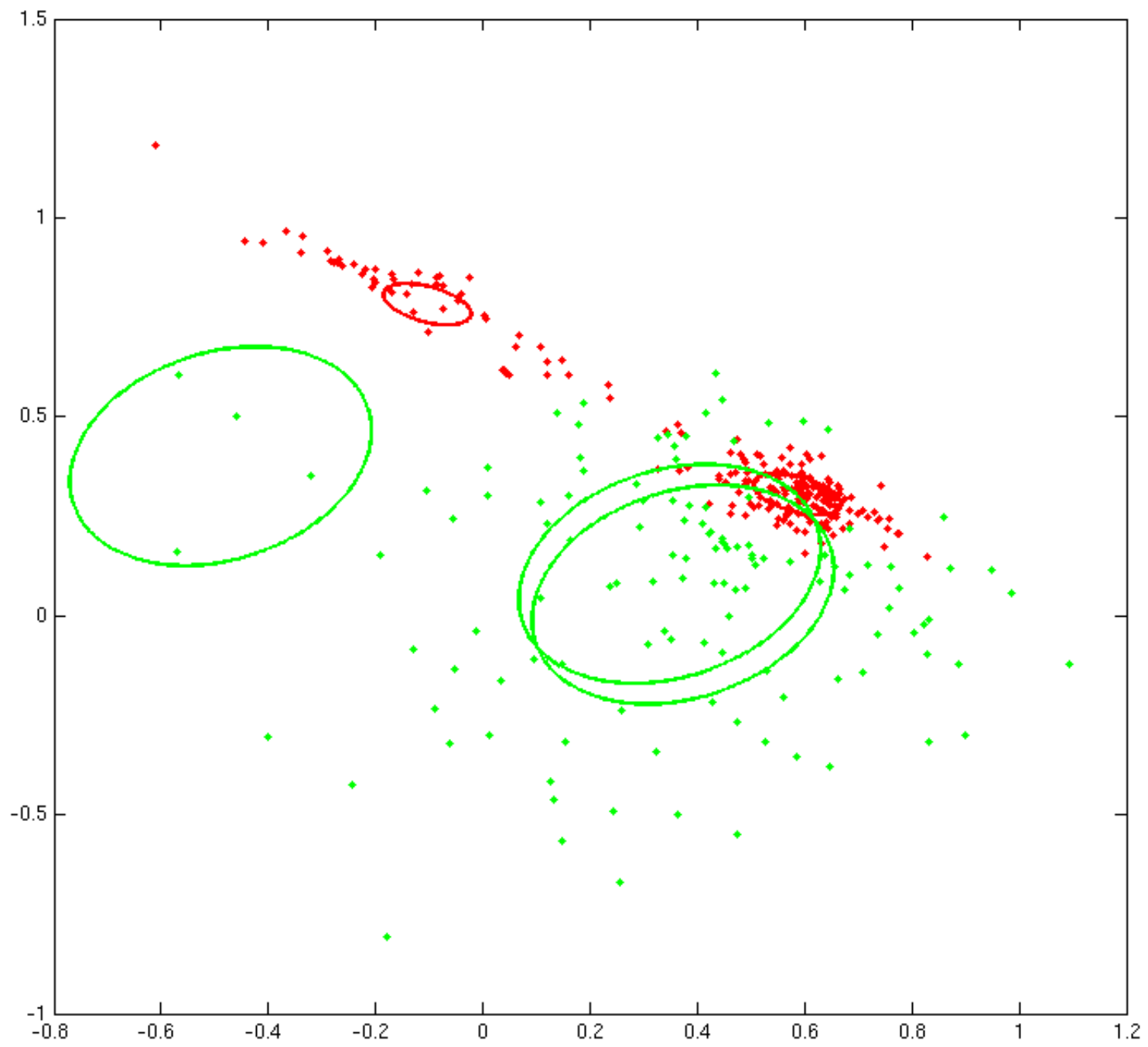
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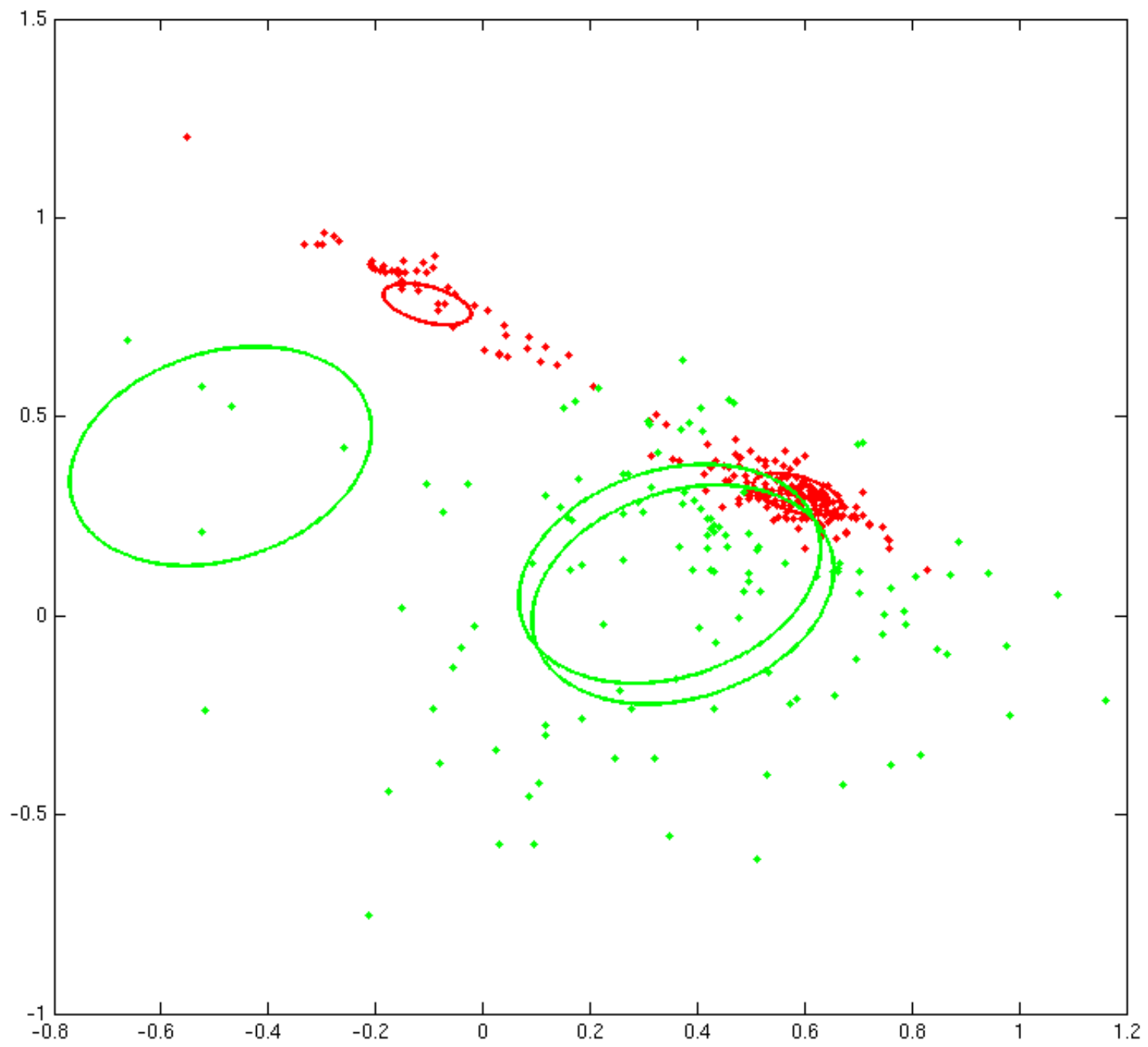
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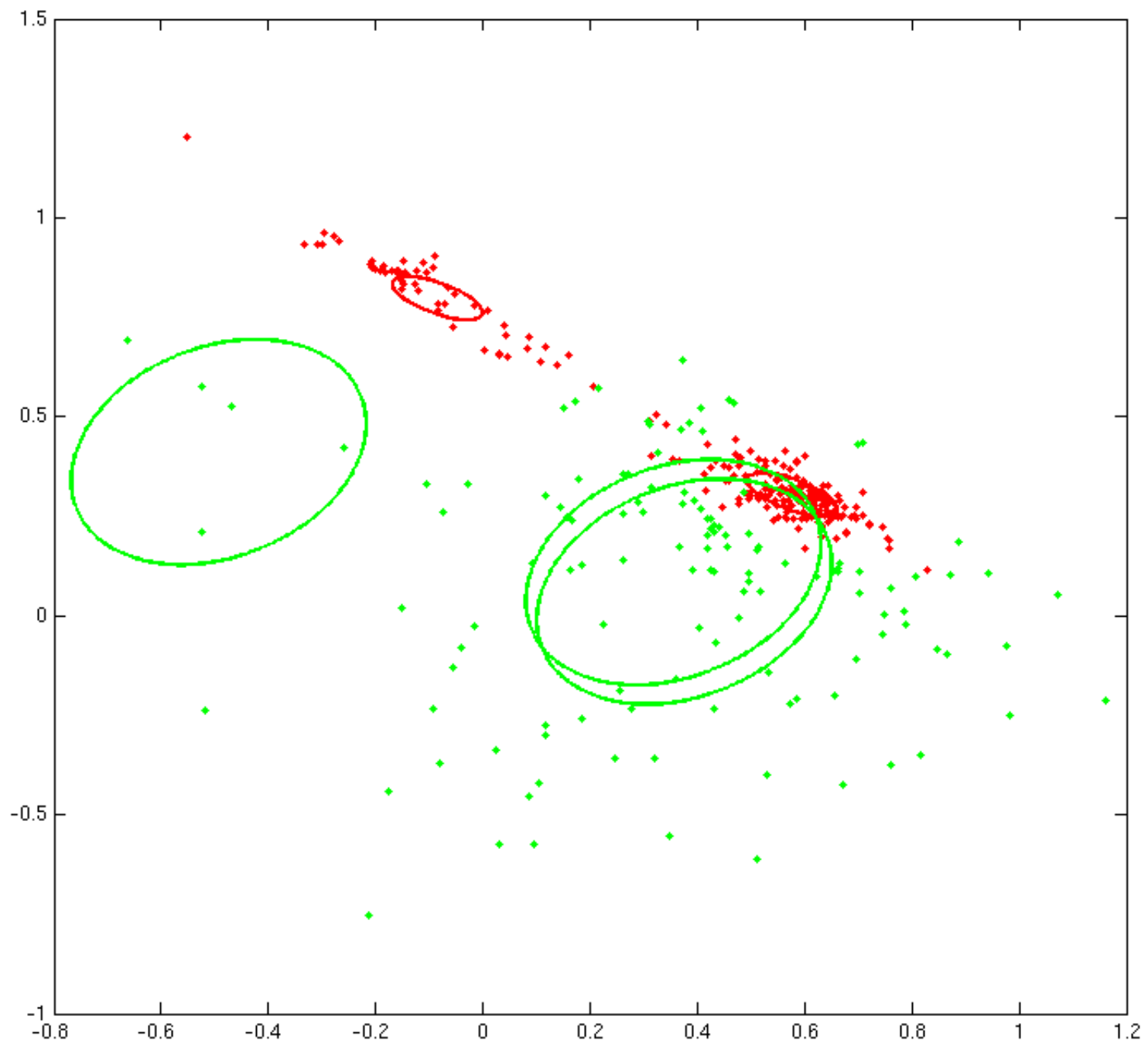
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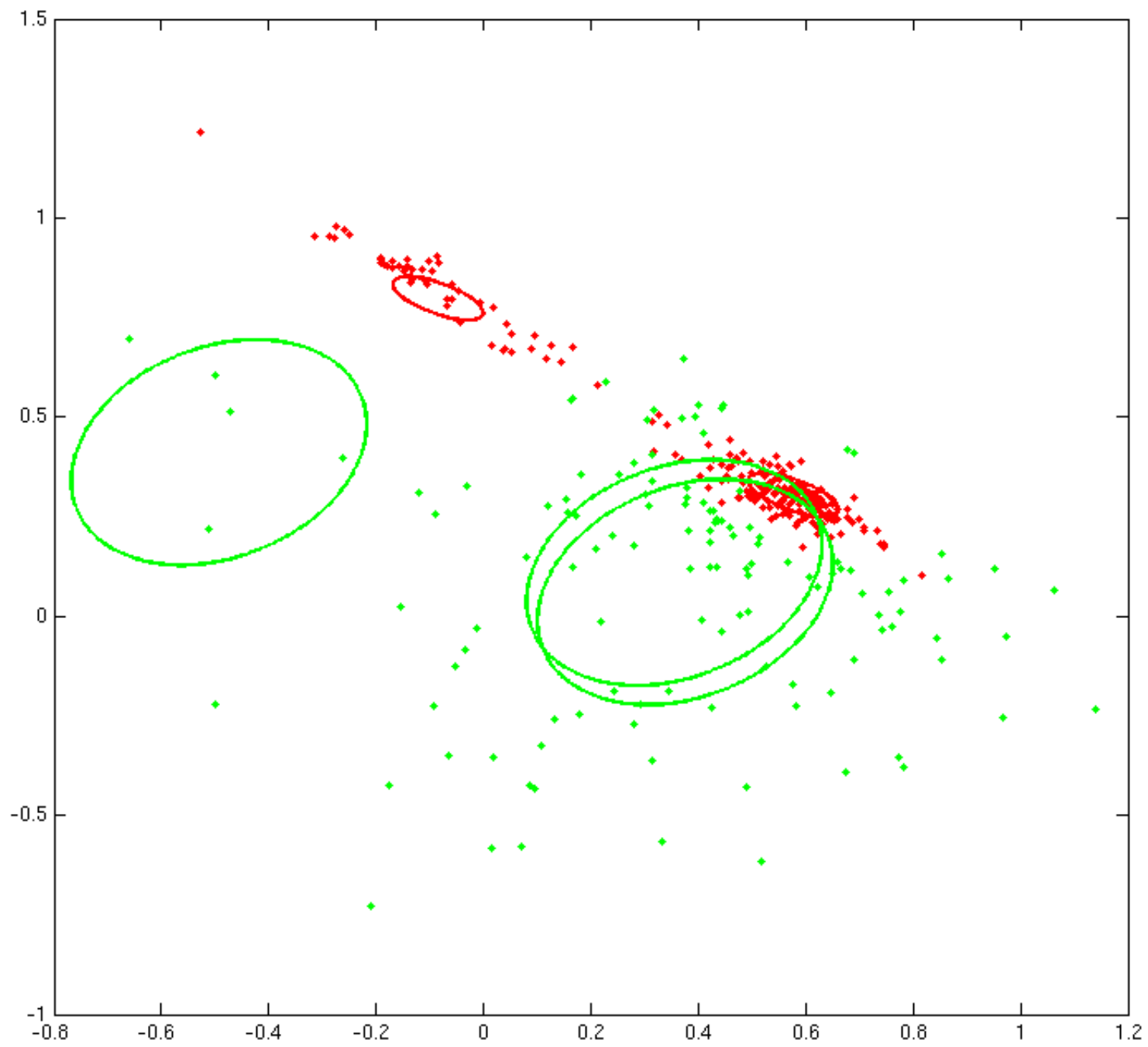
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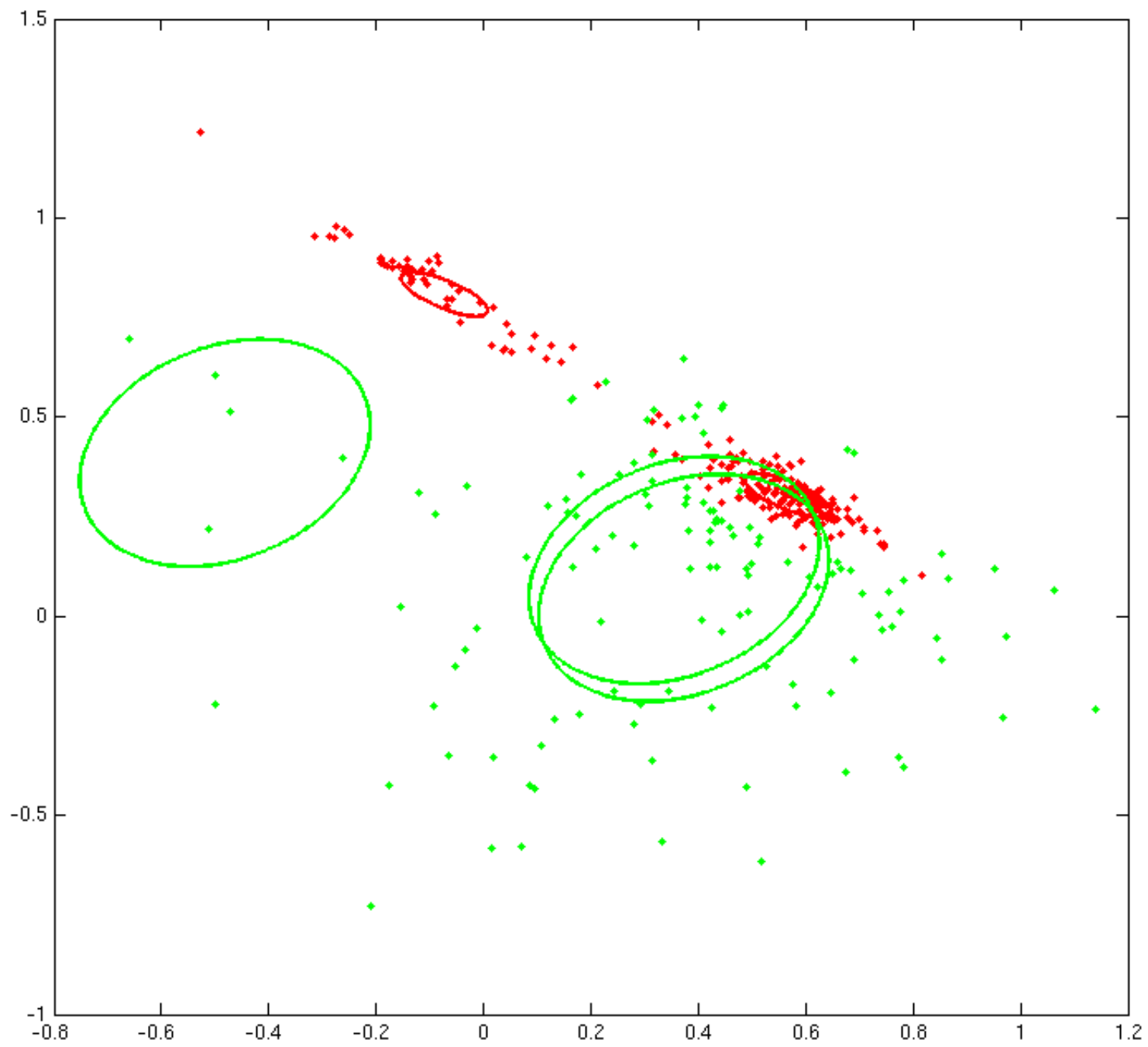
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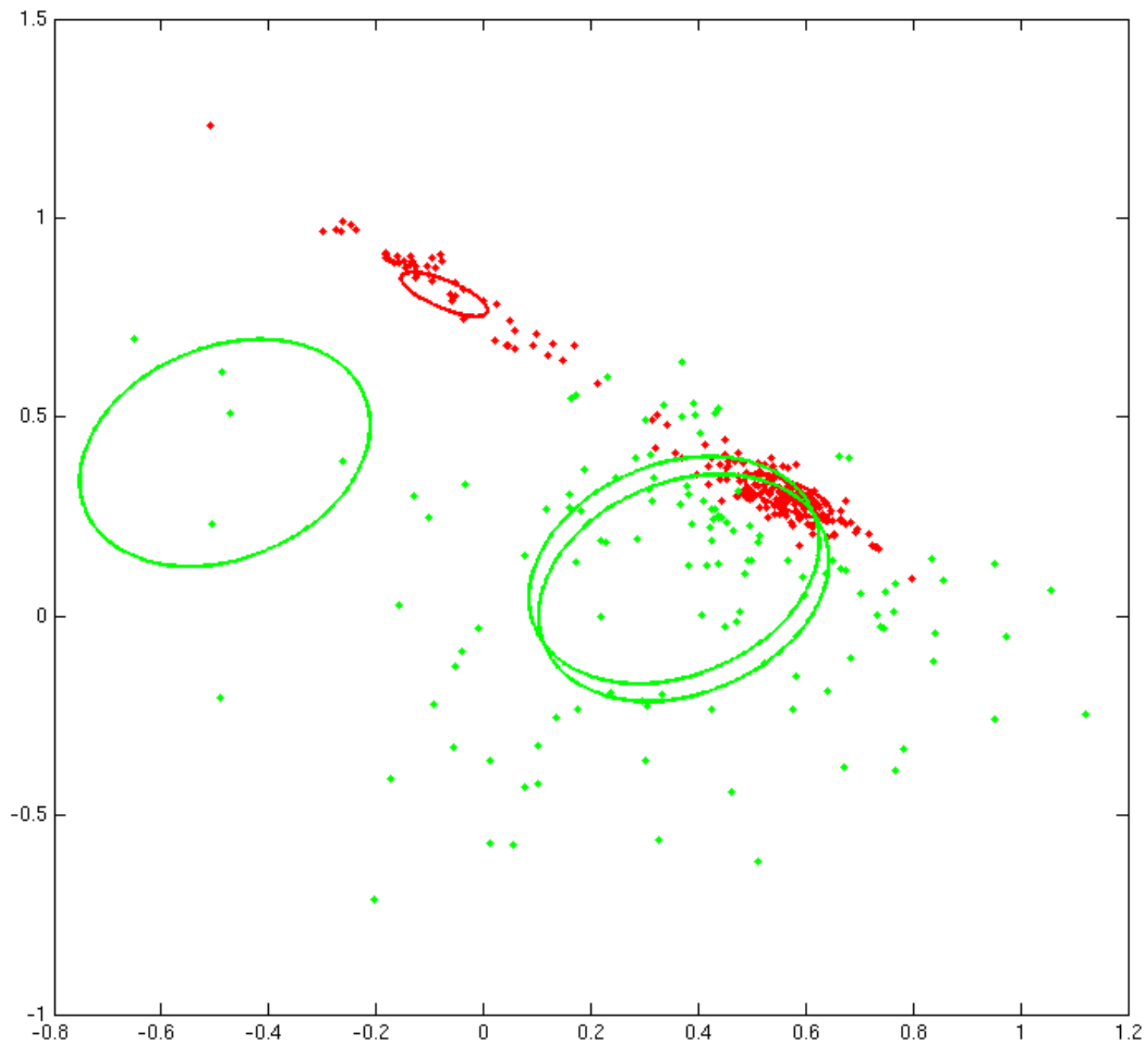
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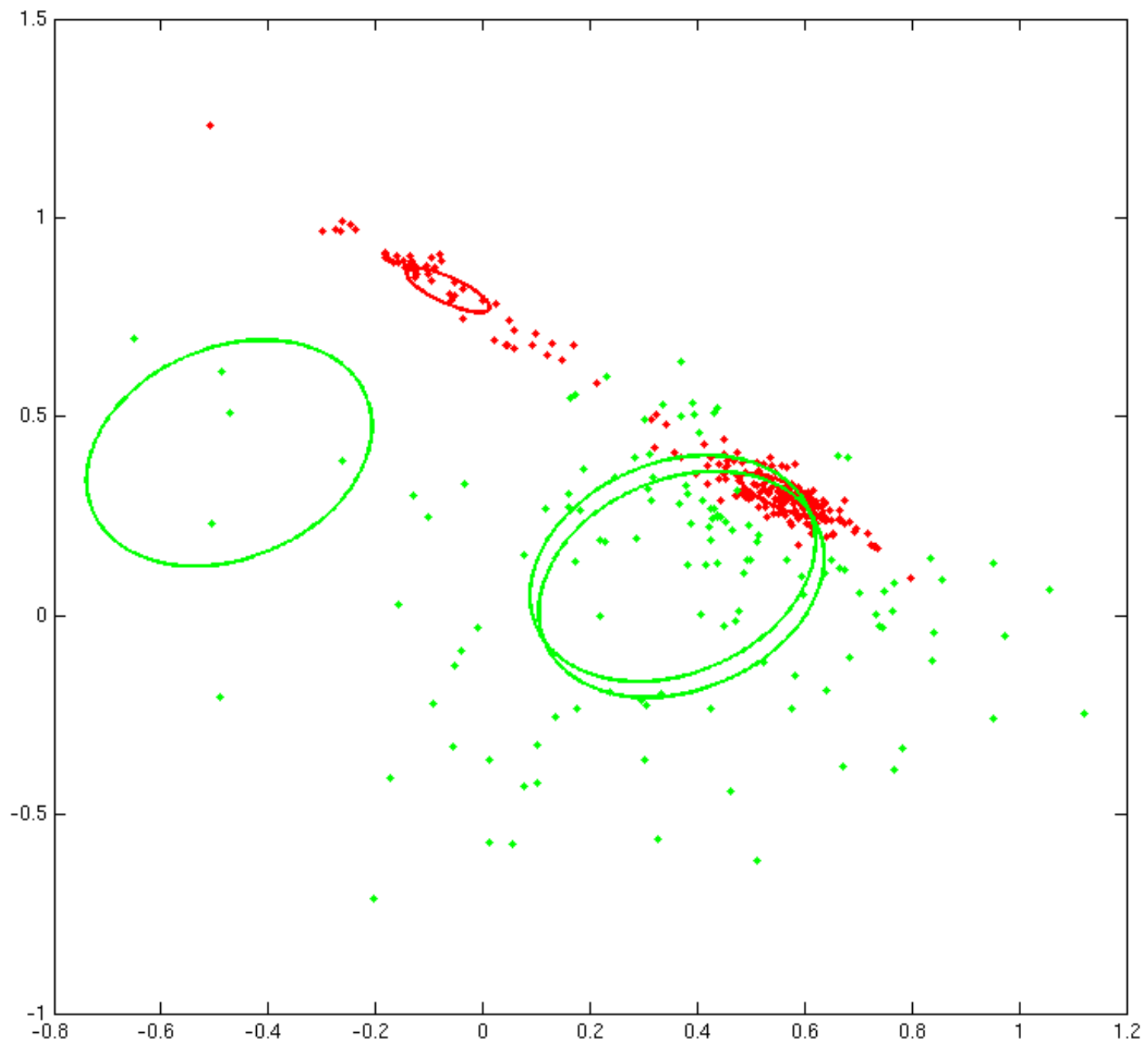


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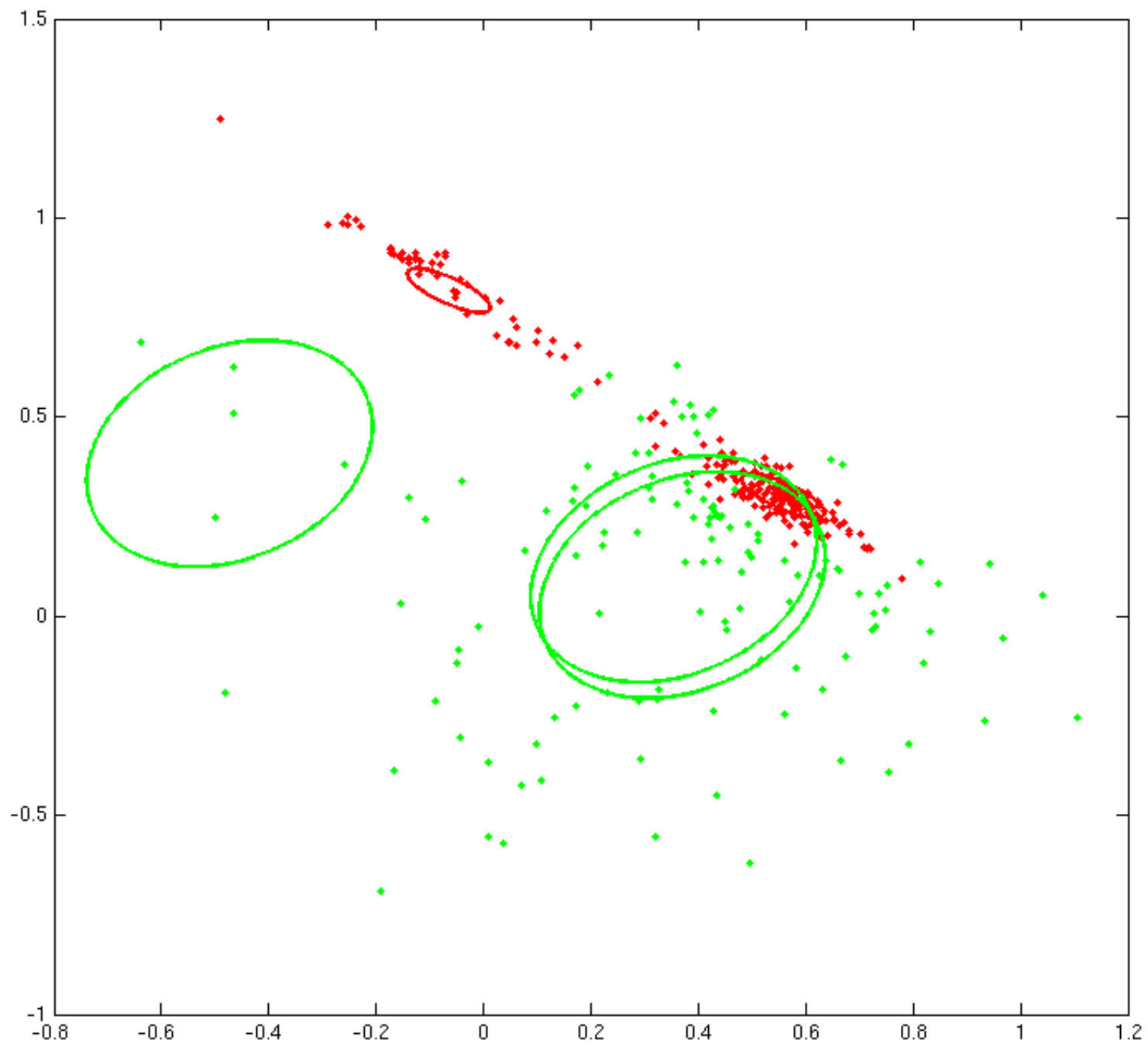




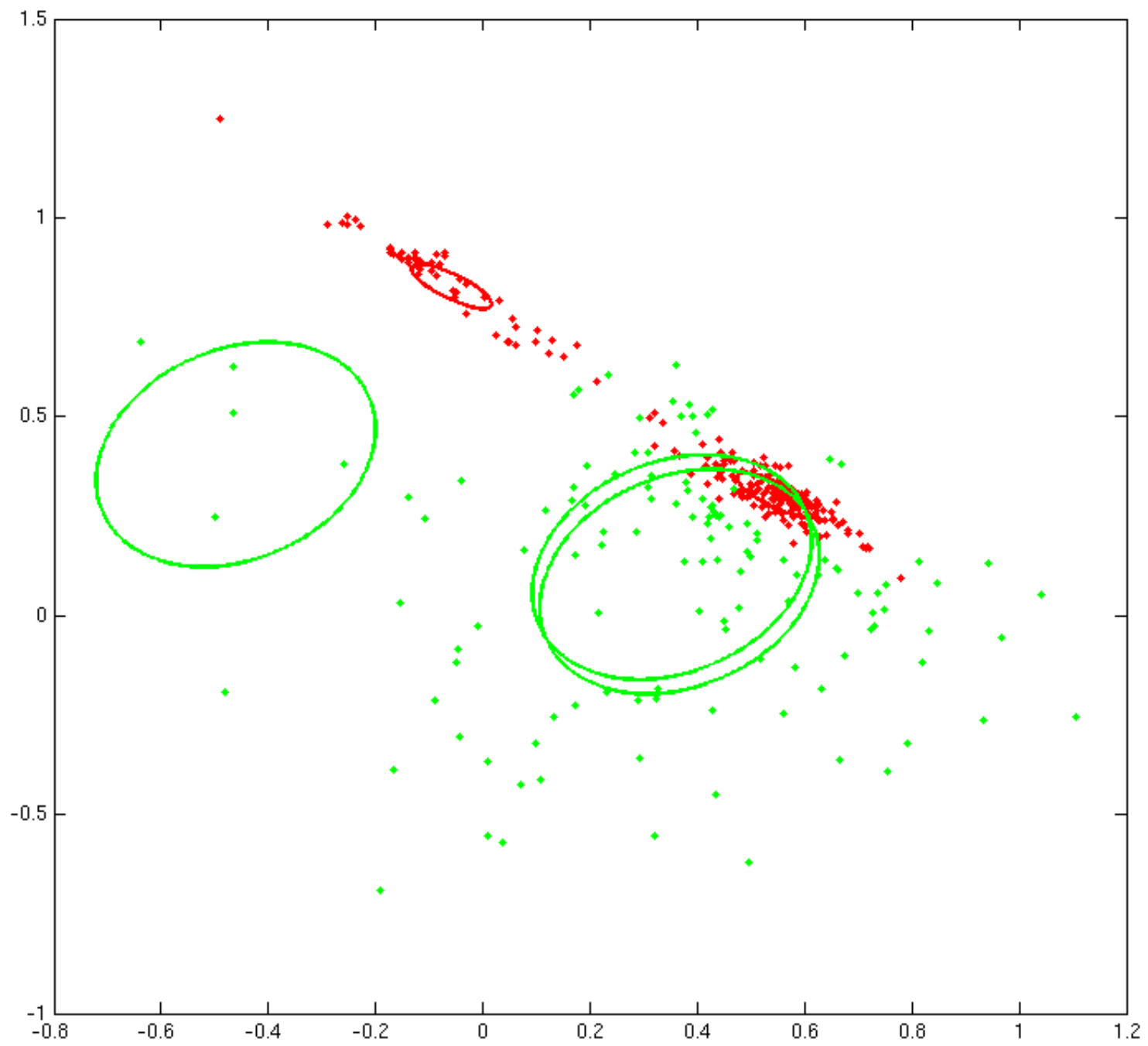
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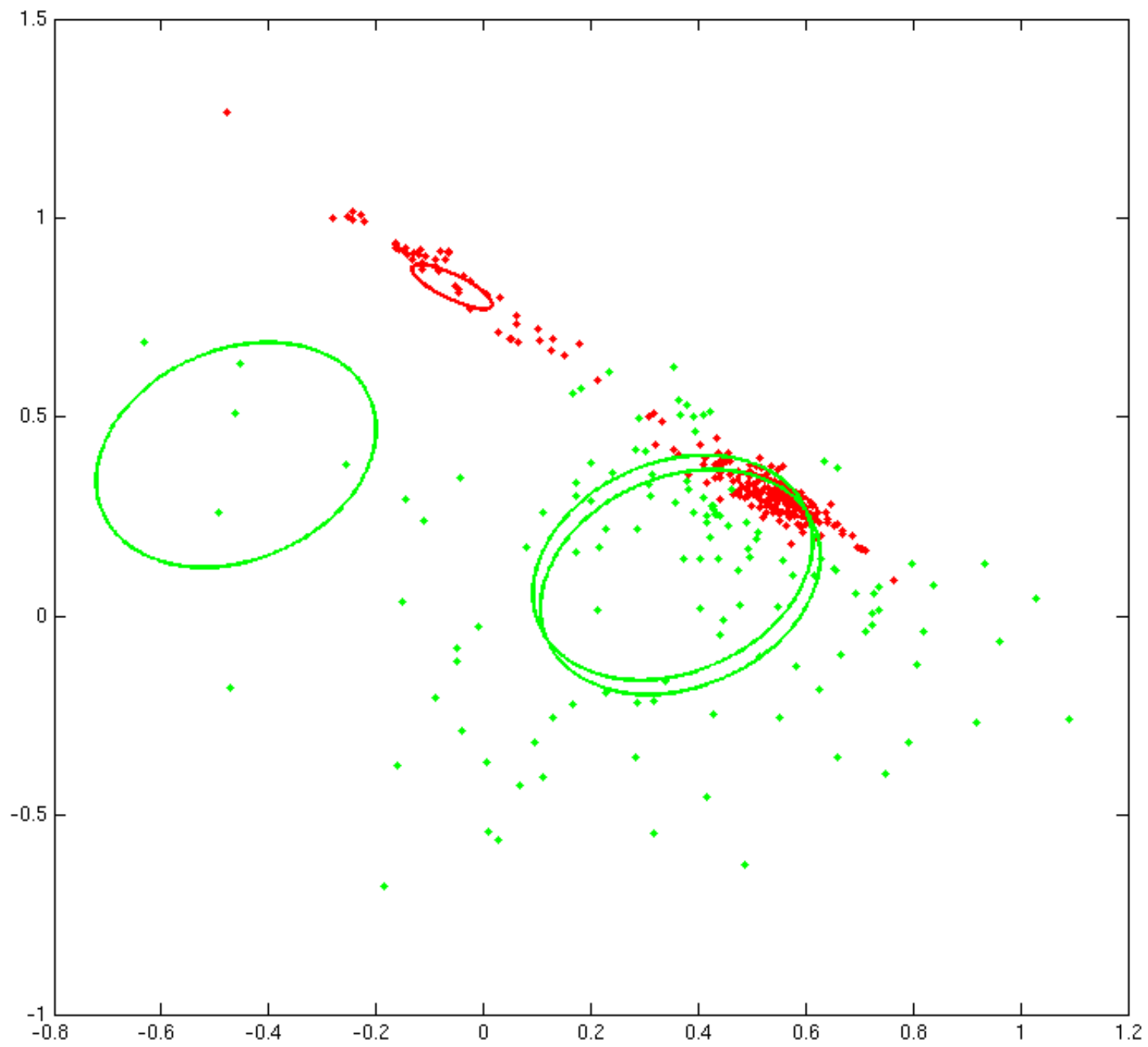
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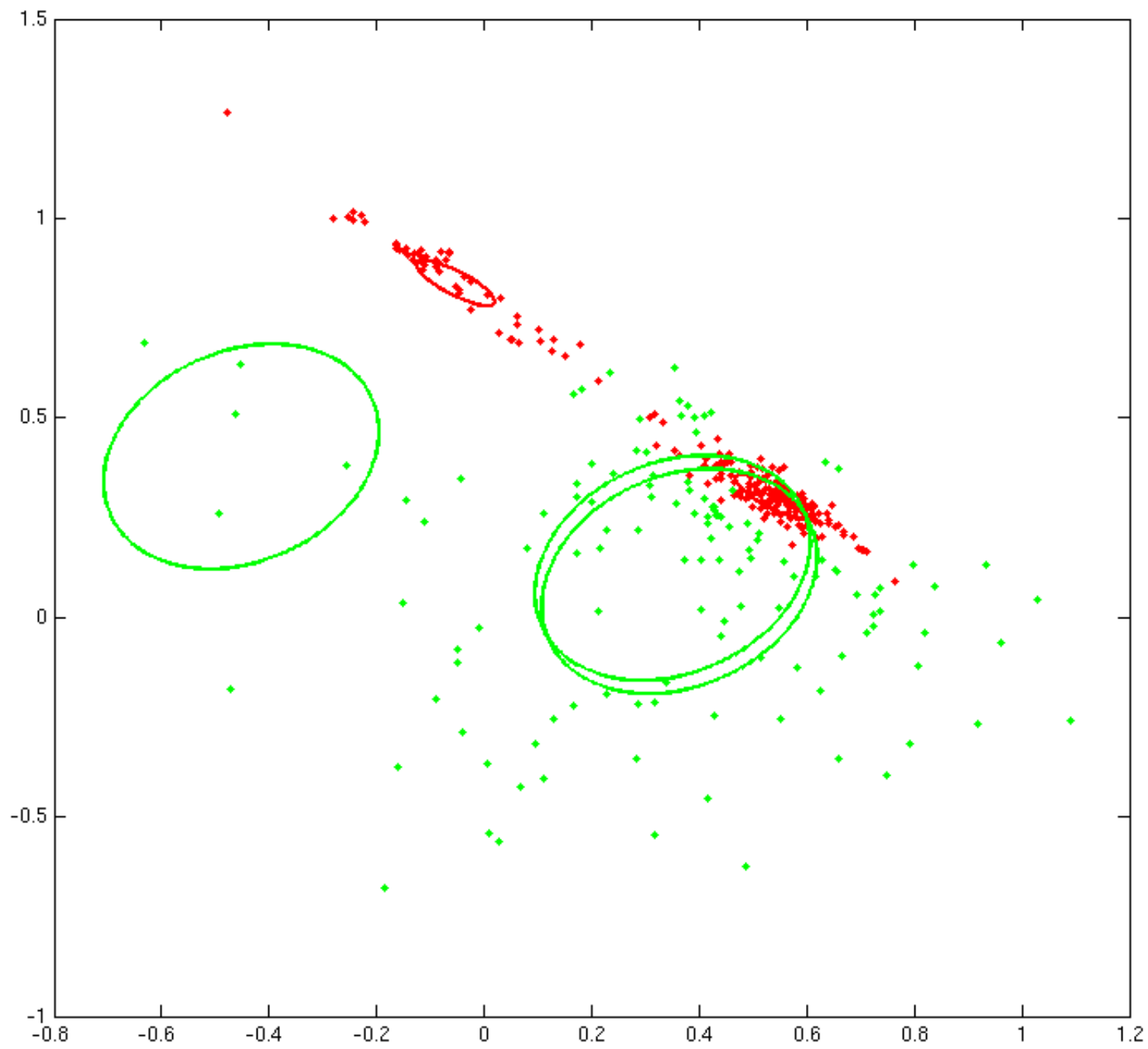
Iteration 9, after EM



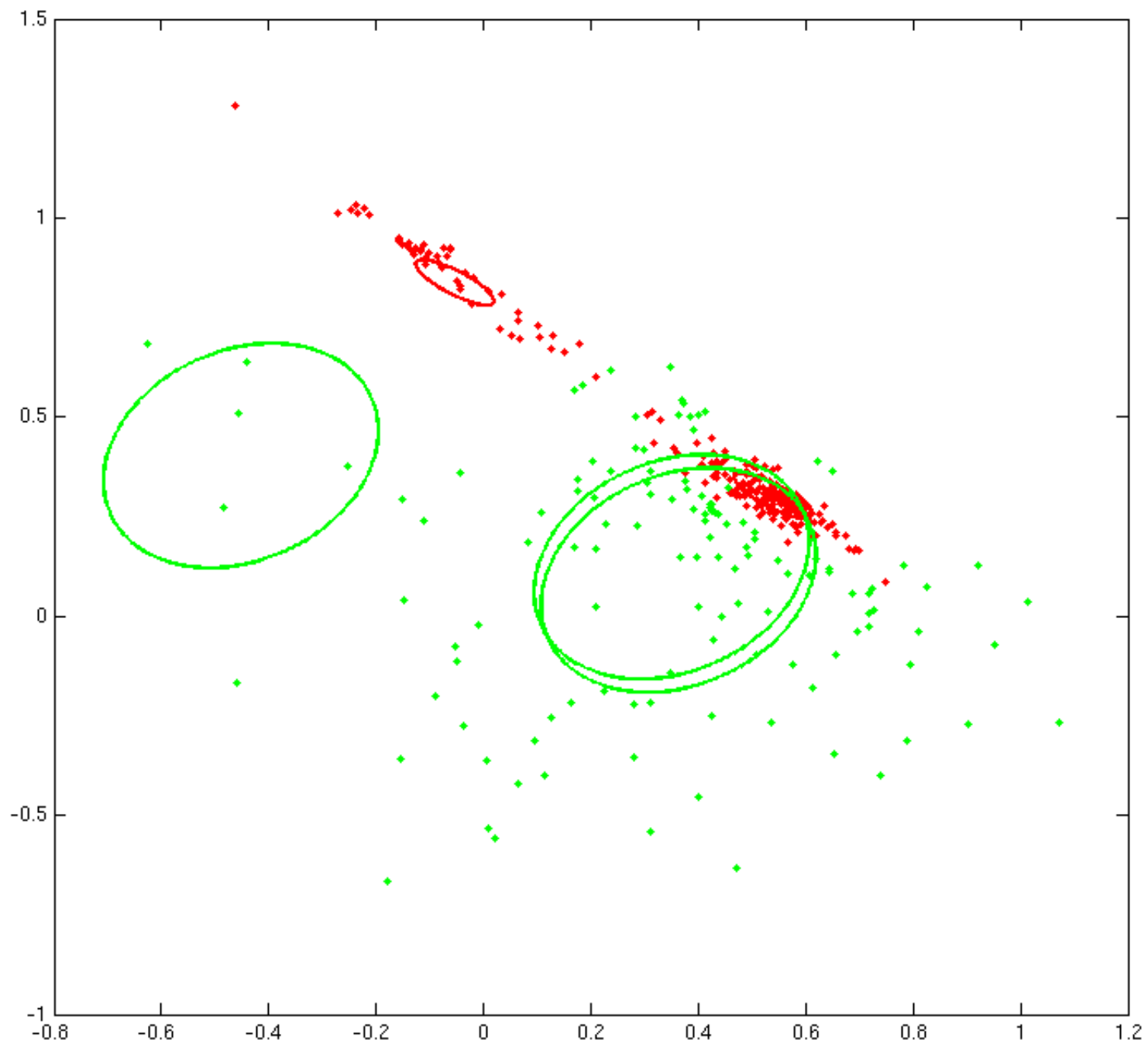
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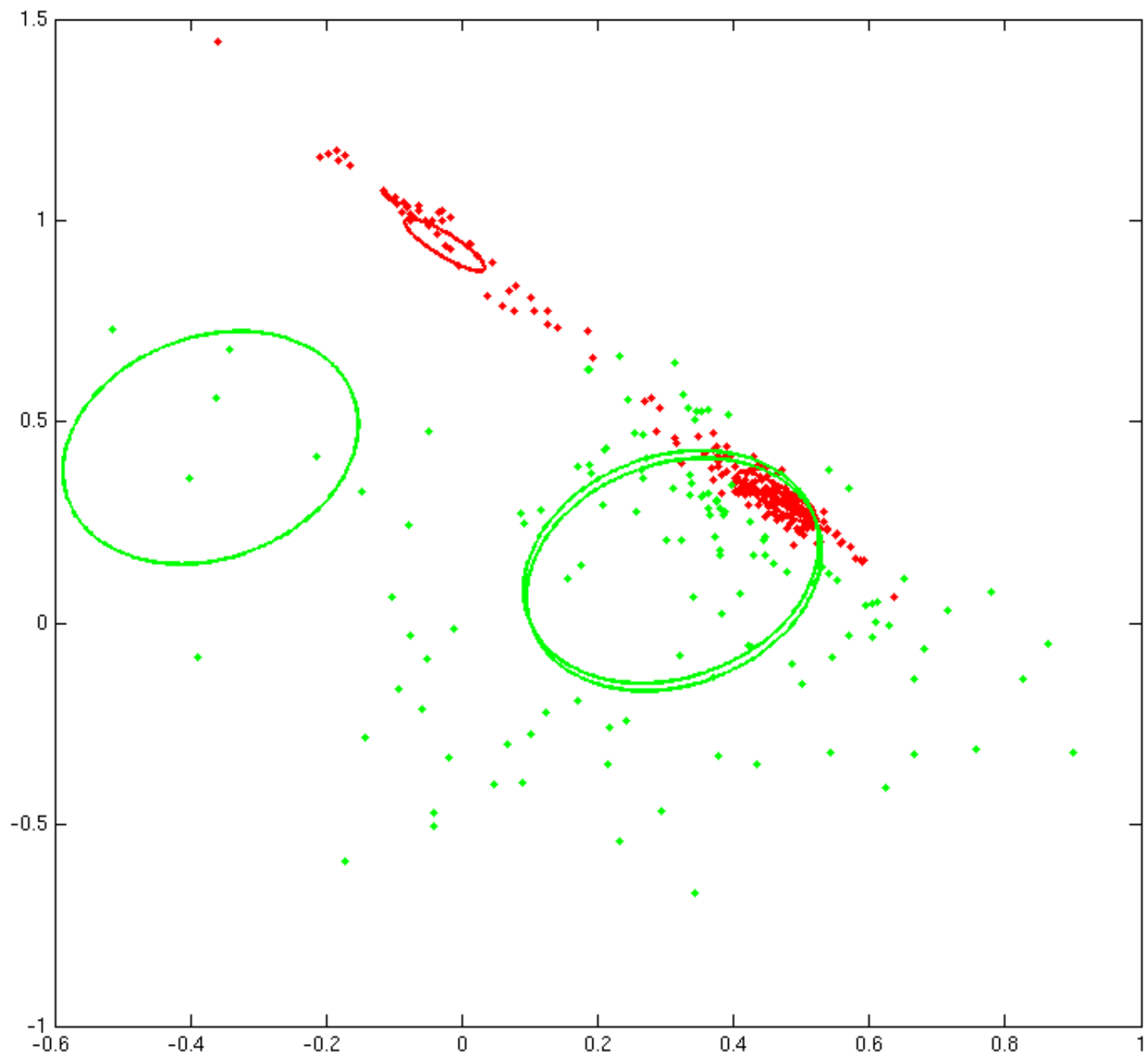
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In the hybrid optimization, the mixture parameters do not change during optimization of the  $A$  matrix.

We can make the centers change:

reparameterize  $\boldsymbol{\mu}_{c,k} = A\boldsymbol{\mu}'_{c,k}$

Causes only small changes to the gradient and EM step.



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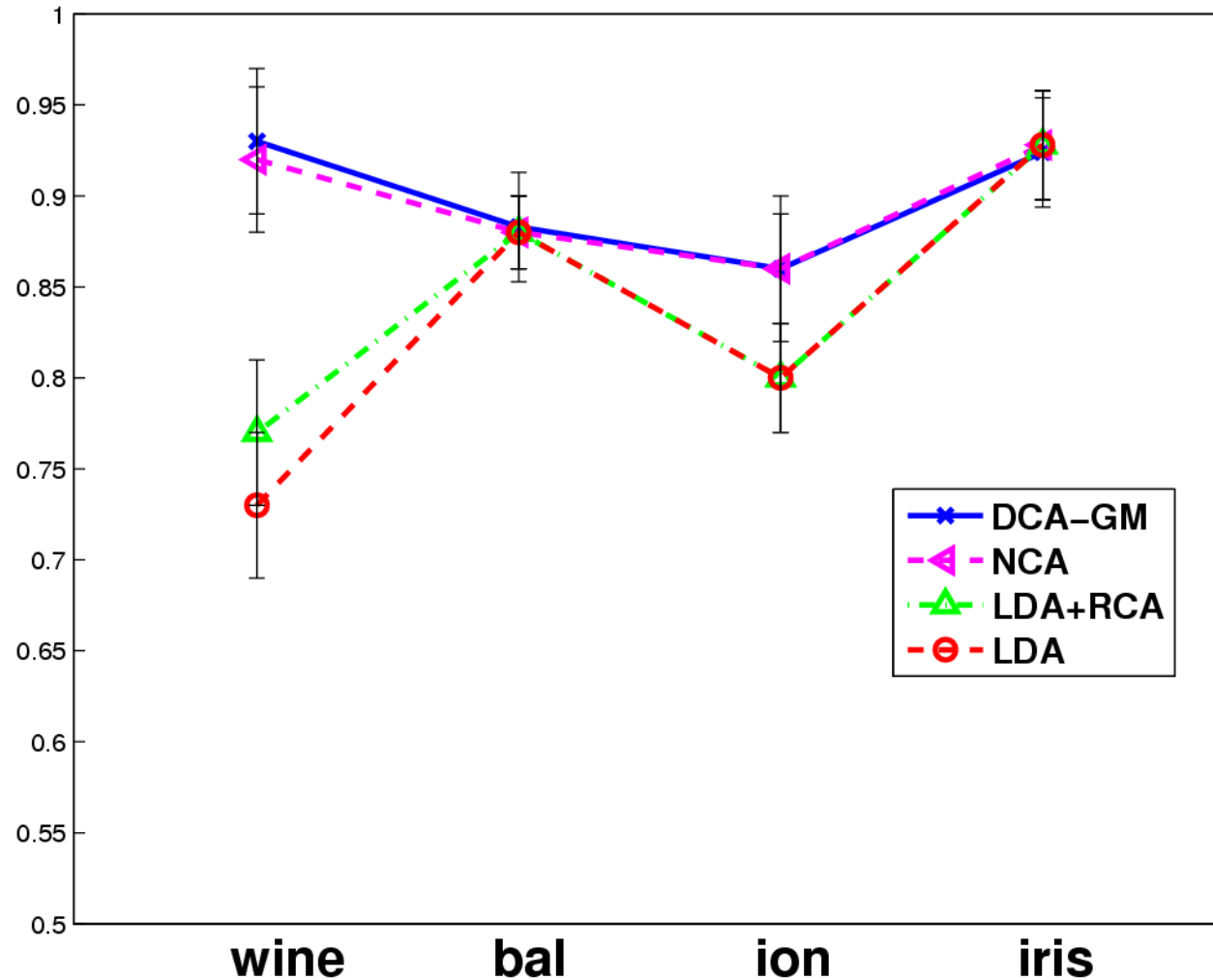
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  - LDA
  - LDA+RCA
  - NCA
  - DCA-GM, 3 Gaussians per class

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- DCA-GM is comparable to NCA
- For these small data sets both methods run fast



# 6. Conclusions

- Method for discriminative component analysis
- Optimizes a subspace for a Gaussian mixture model
- $O(N)$  computation
- Works equally well as NCA

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[www.cis.hut.fi/projects/mi/](http://www.cis.hut.fi/projects/mi/)

[www.eng.biu.ac.il/~goldbej/](http://www.eng.biu.ac.il/~goldbej/)