

Optimization-Based Model Fitting for Latent Class and Latent Profile Analyses

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Breast cancer data

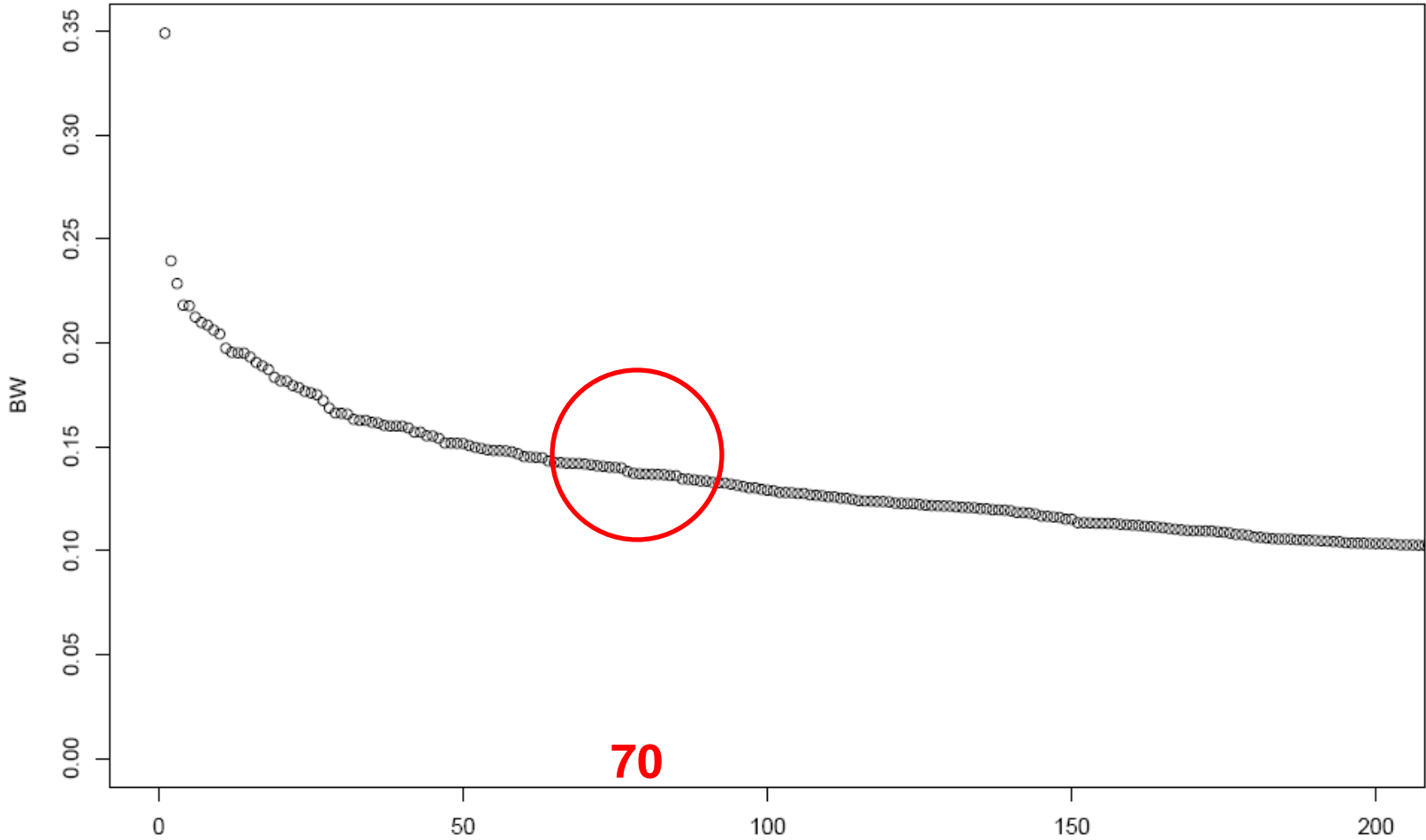
- van't Veer *et al.* Nature 2002
- The 78 sporadic lymph-node-negative breast cancer patients
 - 44 remained free of disease for an interval of at least 5 years (**good prognosis group**)
 - 34 had developed distant metastases within 5 years (**poor prognosis group**).
- Aim to predict good and poor prognostic patients through gene expression profiling

Breast cancer data (cont'd)

- A preliminary two-step gene selection process (from 24481 genes):
 - **4741** genes with the intensity ratio more than two-fold difference and the significance of regulation p-value < 0.01 in more than 3 patients
- Apply a selection of genes based on the ratio of their between-group to within-group sums of squares

$$BW(m) = \frac{\sum_i \sum_c I(d_i = c) (\bar{y}_{cm} - \bar{y}_{.m})^2}{\sum_i \sum_c I(d_i = c) (y_{im} - \bar{y}_{cm})^2}$$

BW plot



Breast cancer data (cont'd)

- Using 70 selected gene expression ratios as observed surrogates, a finite mixture model was fitted.

Schizophrenia data

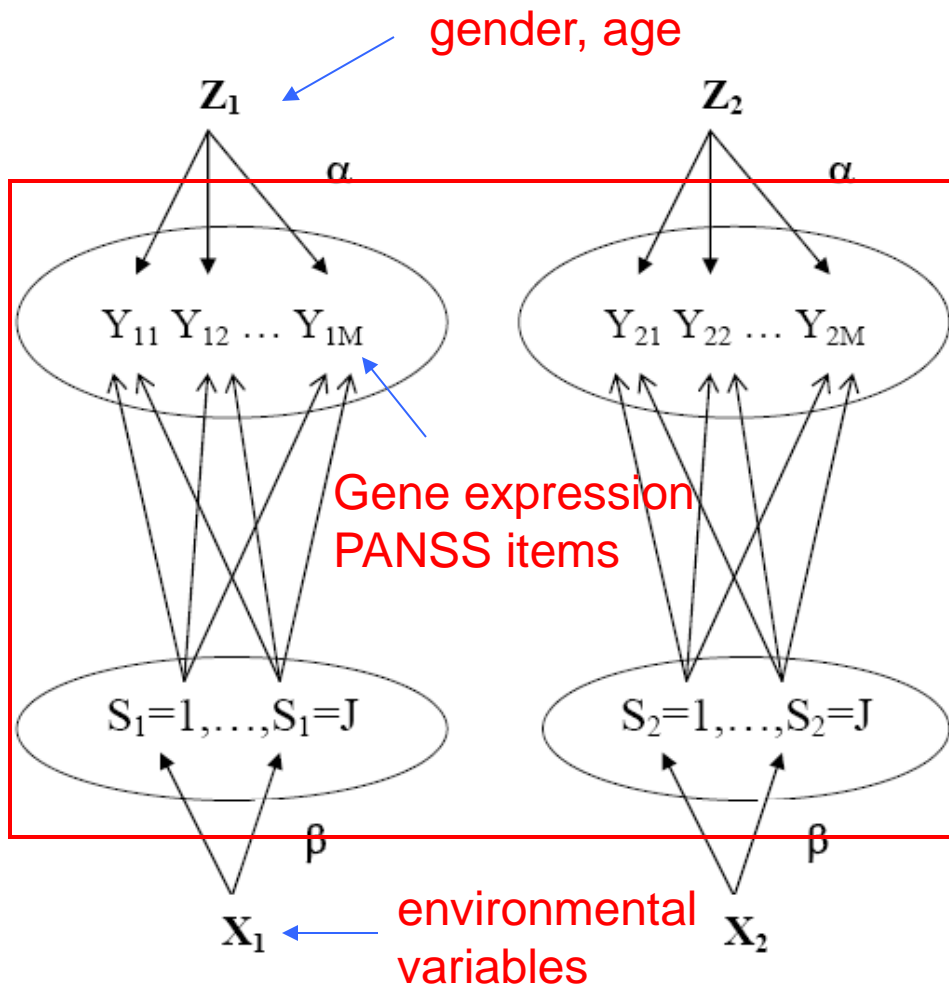
- The data were collected from a series of projects for schizophrenia (Dr. Hai-Gwo Hwu).
- The analyzed data include
 - 169 acute patients of schizophrenia who were recruited within one week of index admission
 - 160 subsided state patients who were living with community and under family care
- Aim to
 - explore the subtypes of schizophrenia patients
 - predict patients' phases of chronicity

Schizophrenia data (cont'd)

- Schizophrenia symptoms were assessed by the PANSS:
 - 30 items and consists of three subscales: positive, negative and general psychopathology
 - Each item was originally rated on a 7-point scale (1=absent, 7=extreme), but we reduced the 7-point scale by merging the points that had the response percentages less than 10%

Models

POPULATION (Size = N)



secondary
covariates

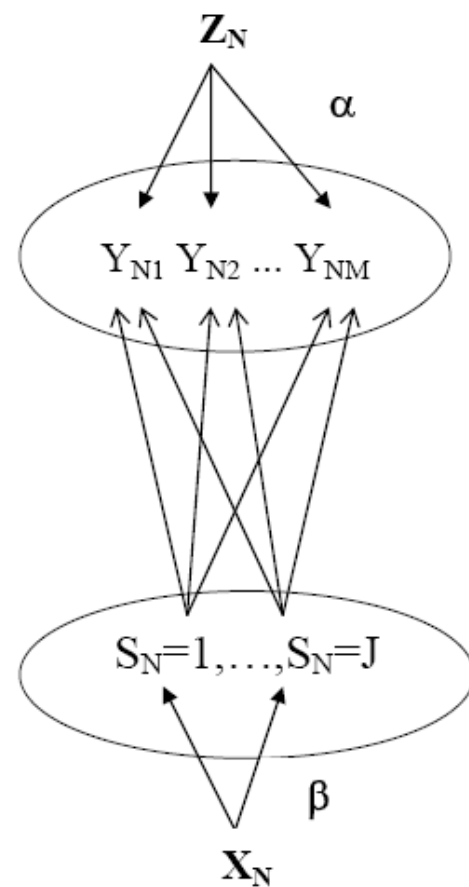
observed
indicators

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latent class

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primary
covariates



Introduction

- Finite mixture model is an **analogy of cluster analysis**.
- Finite mixture model **classifies objects** based on their responses to a set of surrogates.
- Measured surrogates are assumed **independent** of one another within any category of the underlying latent variable.
- Use **k-means** and **hierarchical** clustering methods with **covariance** among surrogates as the **distance measure**.

Finite mixture model

$\mathbf{Y}_i = (Y_{i1}, \dots, Y_{iM})^T$: M observable surrogates

$$\begin{aligned} f(y_{i1}, \dots, y_{iM}) &= \sum_{j=1}^J \left\{ \Pr(S_i = j) f(y_{i1}, \dots, y_{iM} \mid S_i = j) \right\} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^J \left\{ \Pr(S_i = j) \prod_{m=1}^M f(y_{im} \mid S_i = j) \right\} \end{aligned}$$



Latent Class Membership Estimation

Background

- The key is to estimate the **latent class membership**.
- Use **K-means** and **hierarchical** clustering methods to group the objects such that observed variables are **statistically independent** within latent classes.
- Use **sample covariance** matrix as the independence measurement.

Independence measurement

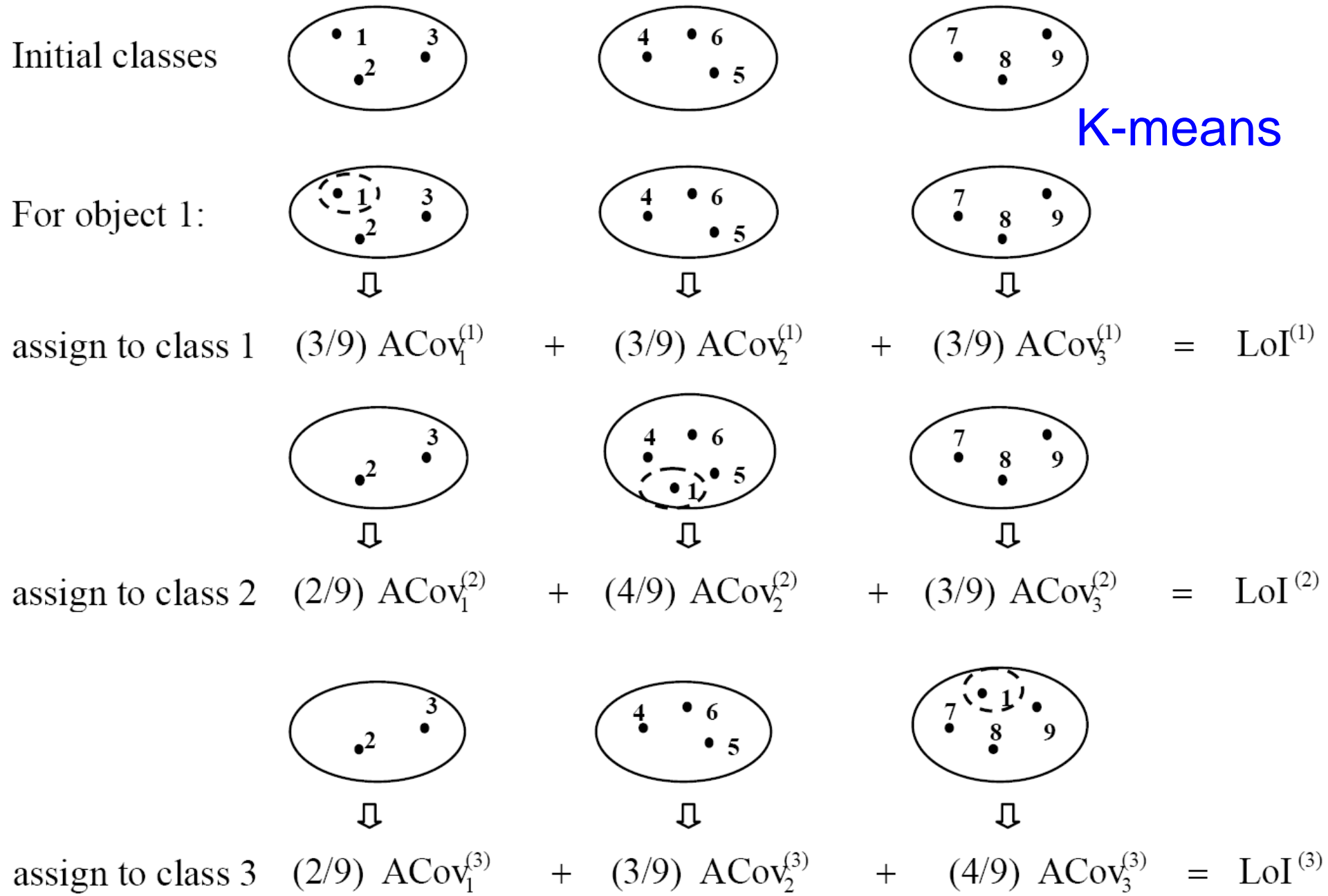
- Supposed $\tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_i = (Y_{i1}, Y_{i2}, \dots, Y_{iM})$

Then,

$$\text{Cov}(\tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_i) = \begin{bmatrix} \text{cov}(Y_{i1}, Y_{i1}) & \text{cov}(Y_{i1}, Y_{i2}) & \cdots & \text{cov}(Y_{i1}, Y_{iM}) \\ \text{cov}(Y_{i2}, Y_{i1}) & \text{cov}(Y_{i2}, Y_{i2}) & \cdots & \text{cov}(Y_{i2}, Y_{iM}) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \text{cov}(Y_{iM}, Y_{i1}) & \text{cov}(Y_{iM}, Y_{i2}) & \cdots & \text{cov}(Y_{iM}, Y_{iM}) \end{bmatrix}$$

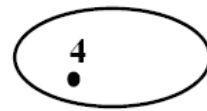
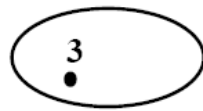
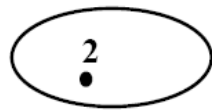
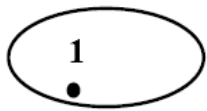
- $\text{ACov} = \text{mean}(| \text{entries in non-diagonal-block} |)$

K-means

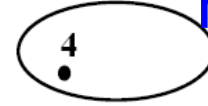
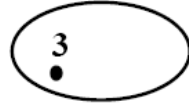


=> Assign object 1 to the class corresponding to minimum LoI

Initial

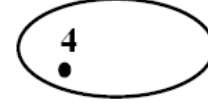
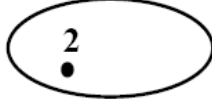


Agglomerative hierarchical



merge 1, 2

$$(2/4)ACov_{(12)} + (1/4)ACov_3 + (1/4)ACov_4 = LoI^{(12)}$$



merge 1, 3

$$(2/4)ACov_{(13)} + (1/4)ACov_2 + (1/4)ACov_4 = LoI^{(13)}$$

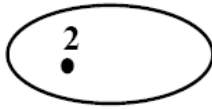
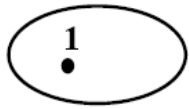
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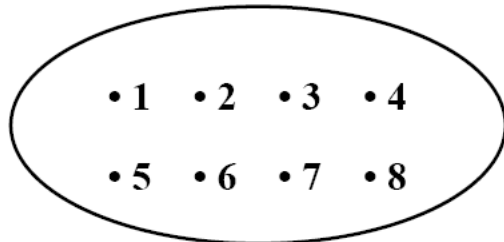


merge 3, 4

$$(1/4)ACov_1 + (1/4)ACov_2 + (2/4)ACov_{(34)} = LoI^{(34)}$$

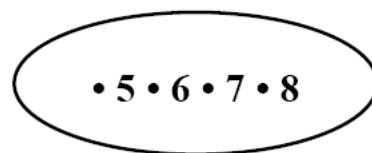
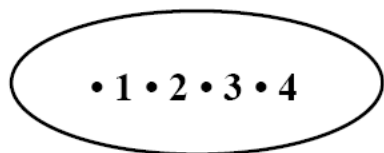
=> Merge the pair of classes whose combination results in the minimum LoI

Preliminary class

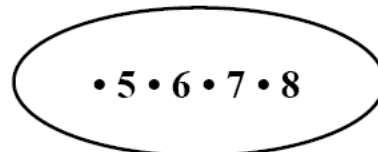


Divisive hierarchical

Split by 2-means

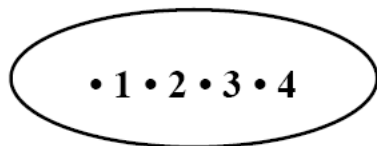


Split class 1 by 2-means



$$(2/8) \text{ACov}_{(1)_1} + (2/8) \text{ACov}_{(1)_2} + (4/8) \text{ACov}_2 = \text{LoI}^{(1)}$$

Split class 2 by 2-means



$$(4/8) \text{ACov}_1 + (2/8) \text{ACov}_{(2)_1} + (2/8) \text{ACov}_{(2)_2} = \text{LoI}^{(2)}$$

=> Split the class whose division results in the minimum LoI

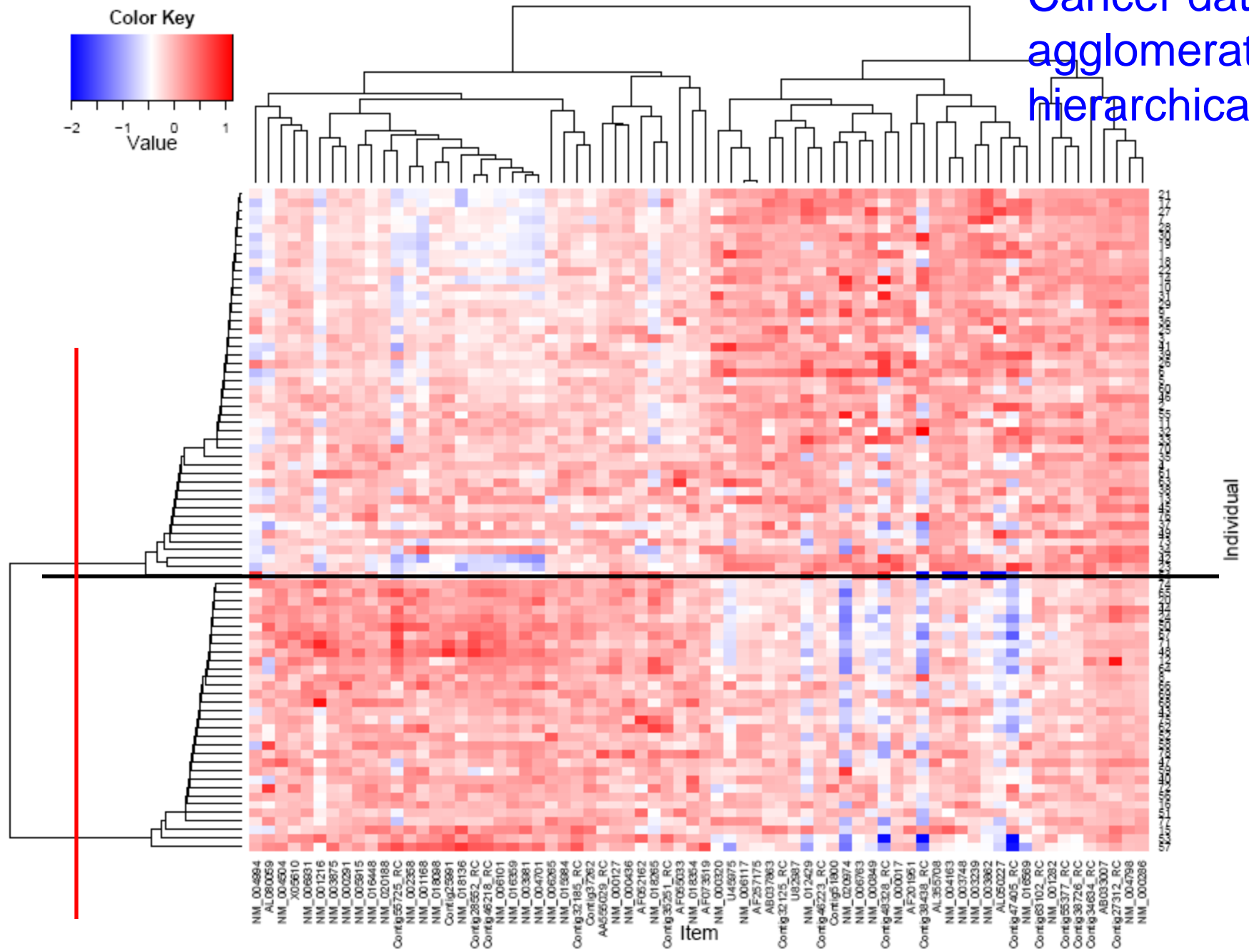
Classification using finite mixture models

- For a new object $Y^* = (Y_1^*, \dots, Y_M^*)$ with the disease status D^*

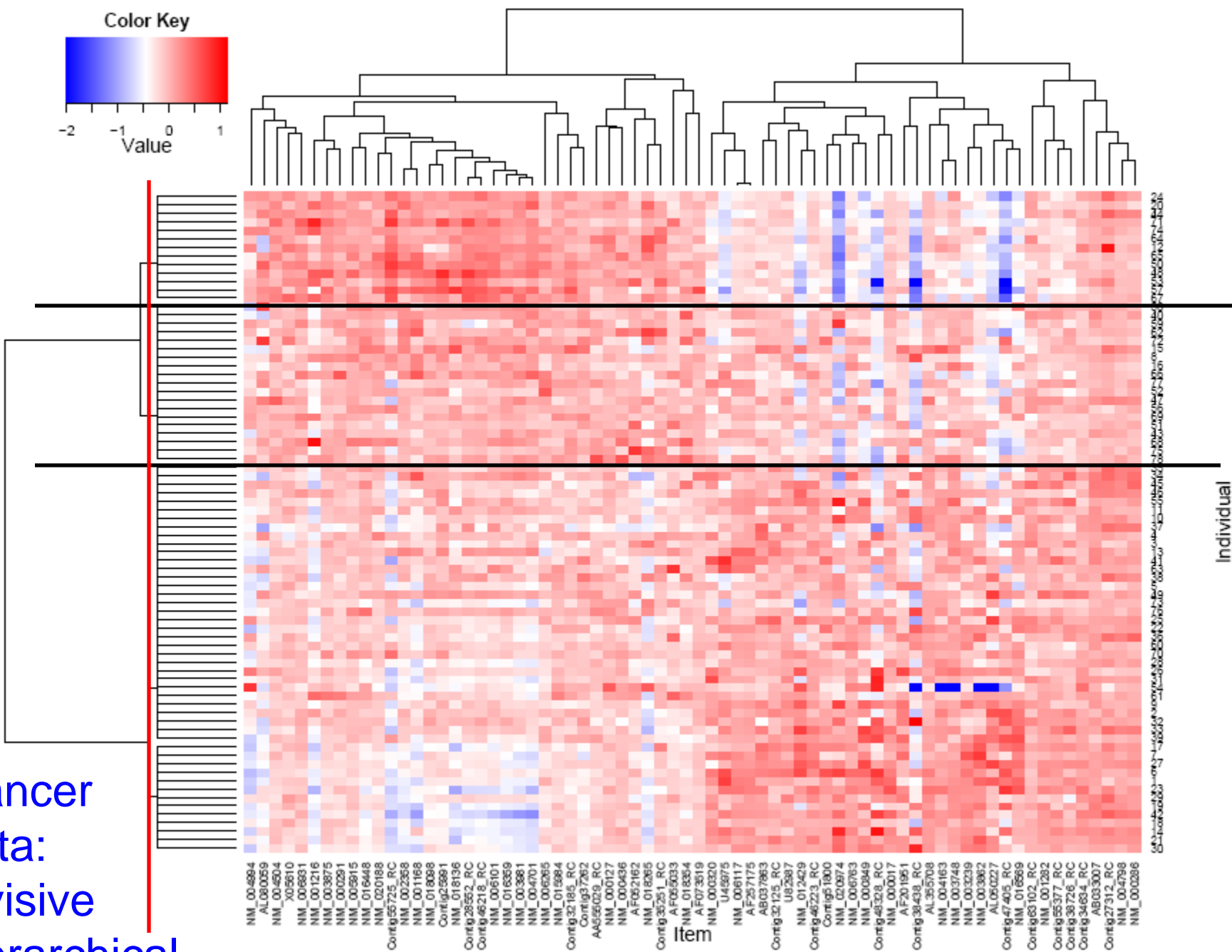
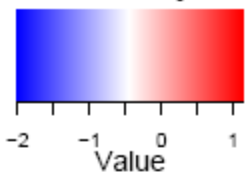
$$\Pr(D^* = c | Y^*) = \sum_{j=1}^J \left\{ \Pr(D^* = c | S^* = j, Y^*) \times \Pr(S^* = j | Y^*) \right\}$$

- Allocate Y^* to $D^*=c^*$ at which the maximum estimated posterior probability is reached

Cancer data:
agglomerative
hierarchical



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Cancer data:
divisive
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Leave-one-out cross-validation

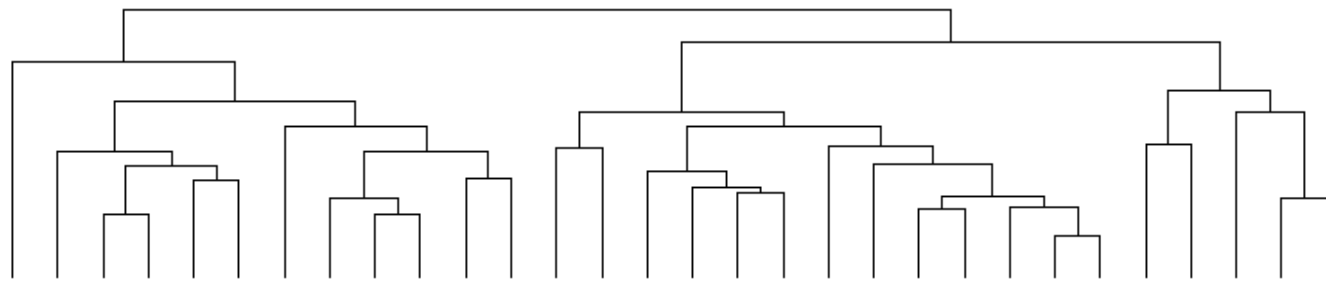
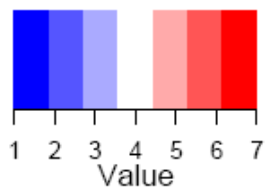
- Misclassification rates in predicting poor vs. good prognosis
 - k-means: 24.36%
 - agglomerative hierarchical: 26.92%
 - divisive hierarchical: 29.49%

Additional independent test set

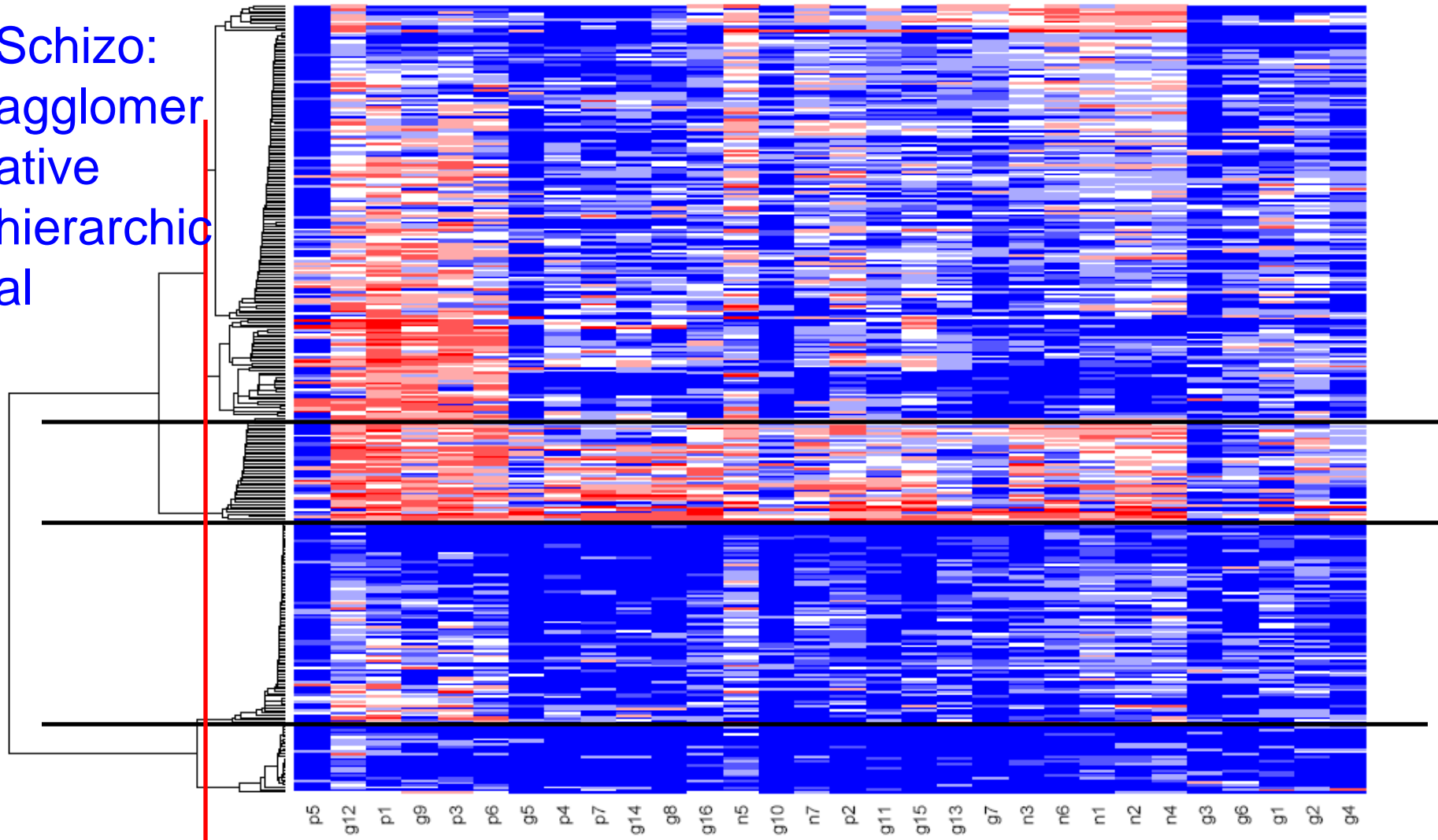
- Independent 19 young, lymph-node-negative breast cancer patients:
 - 12 poor prognosis
 - 7 good prognosis

No.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
True	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
KM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1
AH	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
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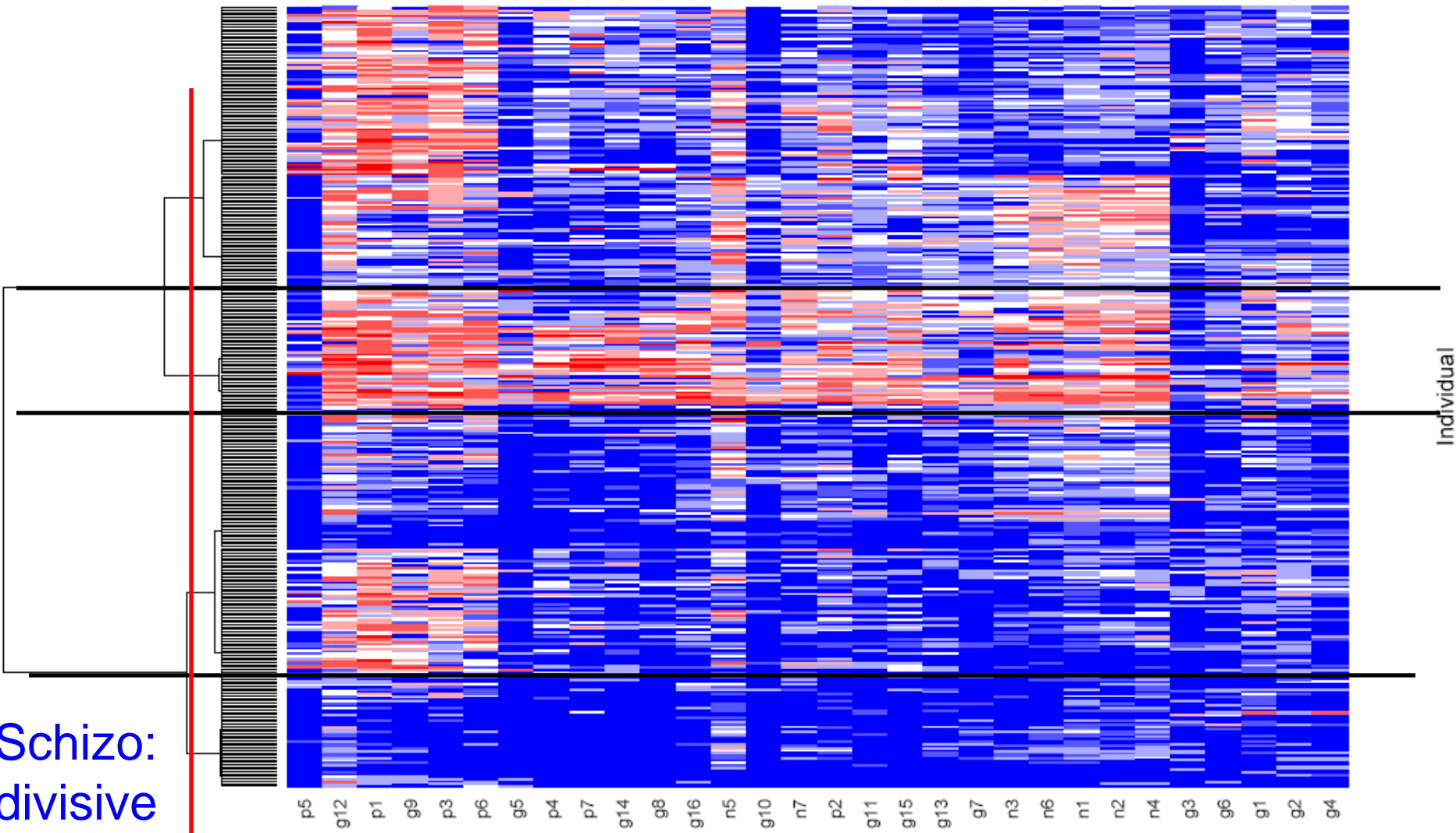
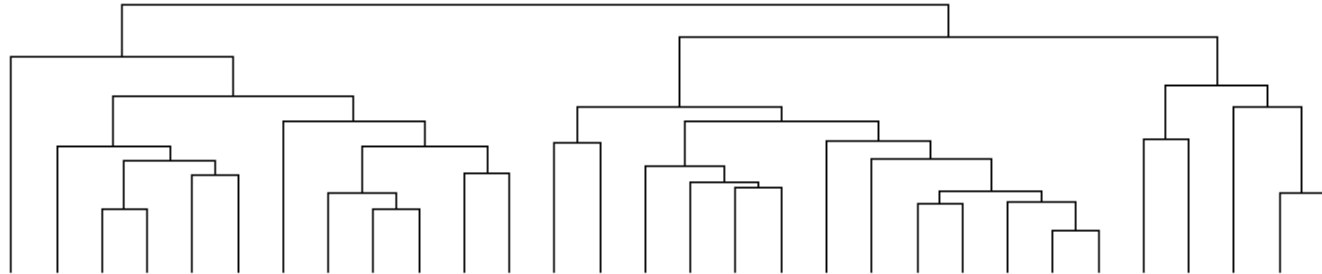
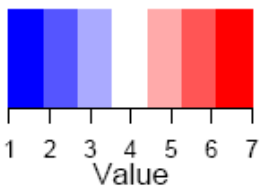
Schizo:
agglomerative
hierarchical



Individual

p5 g12 p1 g9 p3 p6 g5 p4 p7 g14 g8 g16 n5 g10 n7 p2 g11 g15 g13 g7 n3 n6 n1 n2 n4 g3 g6 g1 g2 g4

Color Key



Schizo:
divisive
hierarchical

Leave-one-out cross-validation

- Misclassification rates in predicting acute vs. subsided schizophrenia
 - k-means: 23.10%
 - agglomerative hierarchical: 24.01%
 - divisive hierarchical: 28.27%