

# Fuzzy Structural Design

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**1 Conceptual idea**

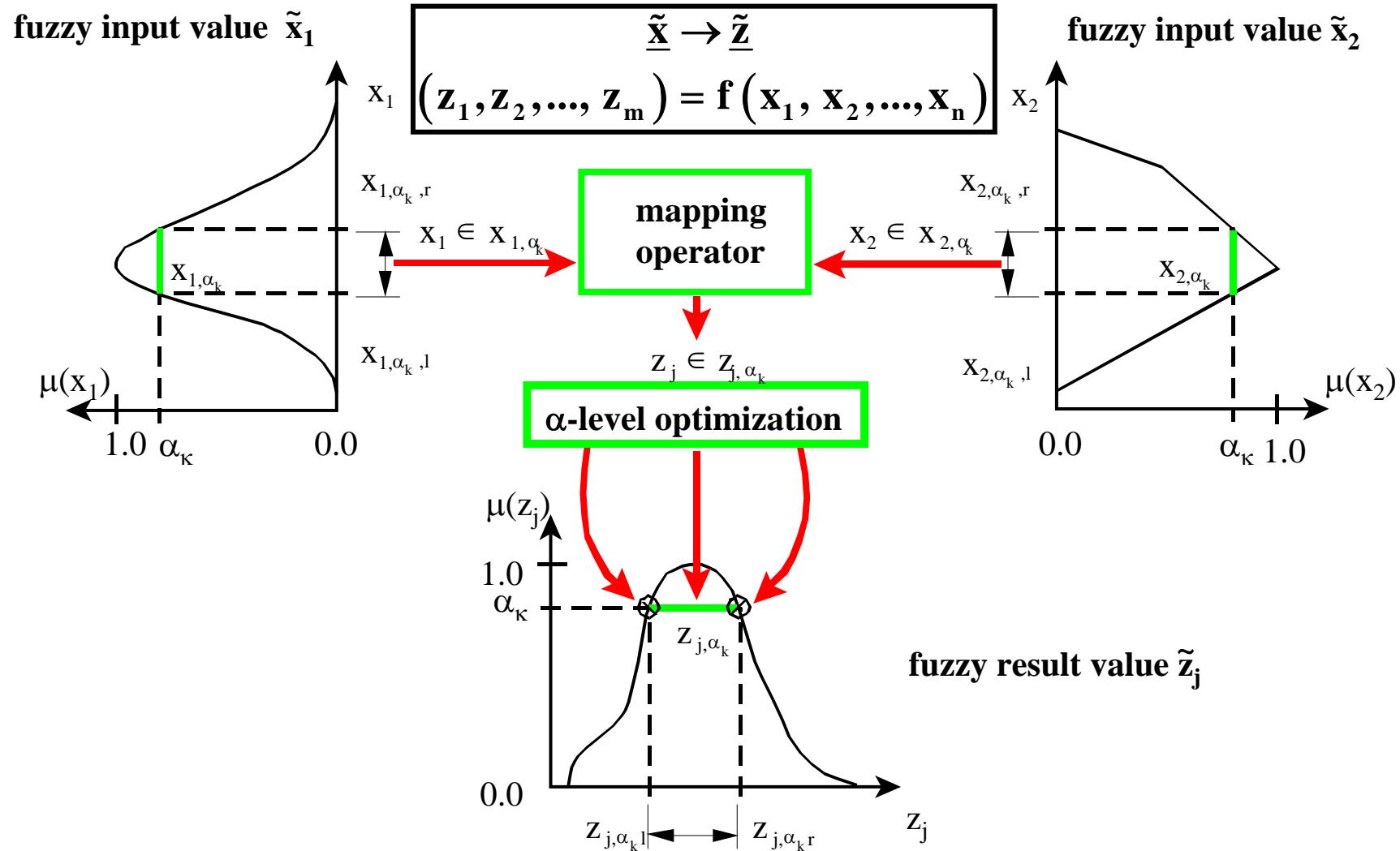
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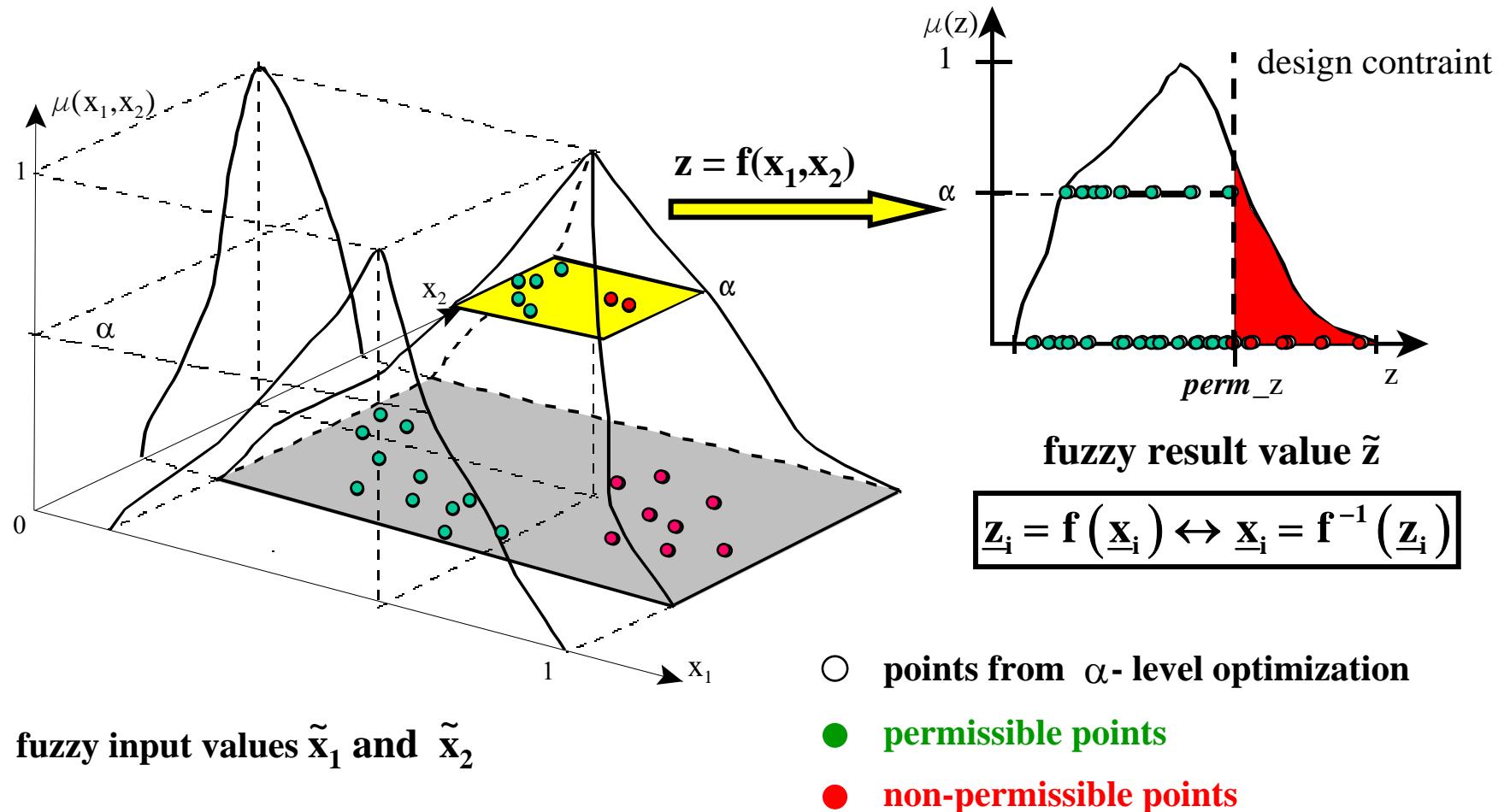
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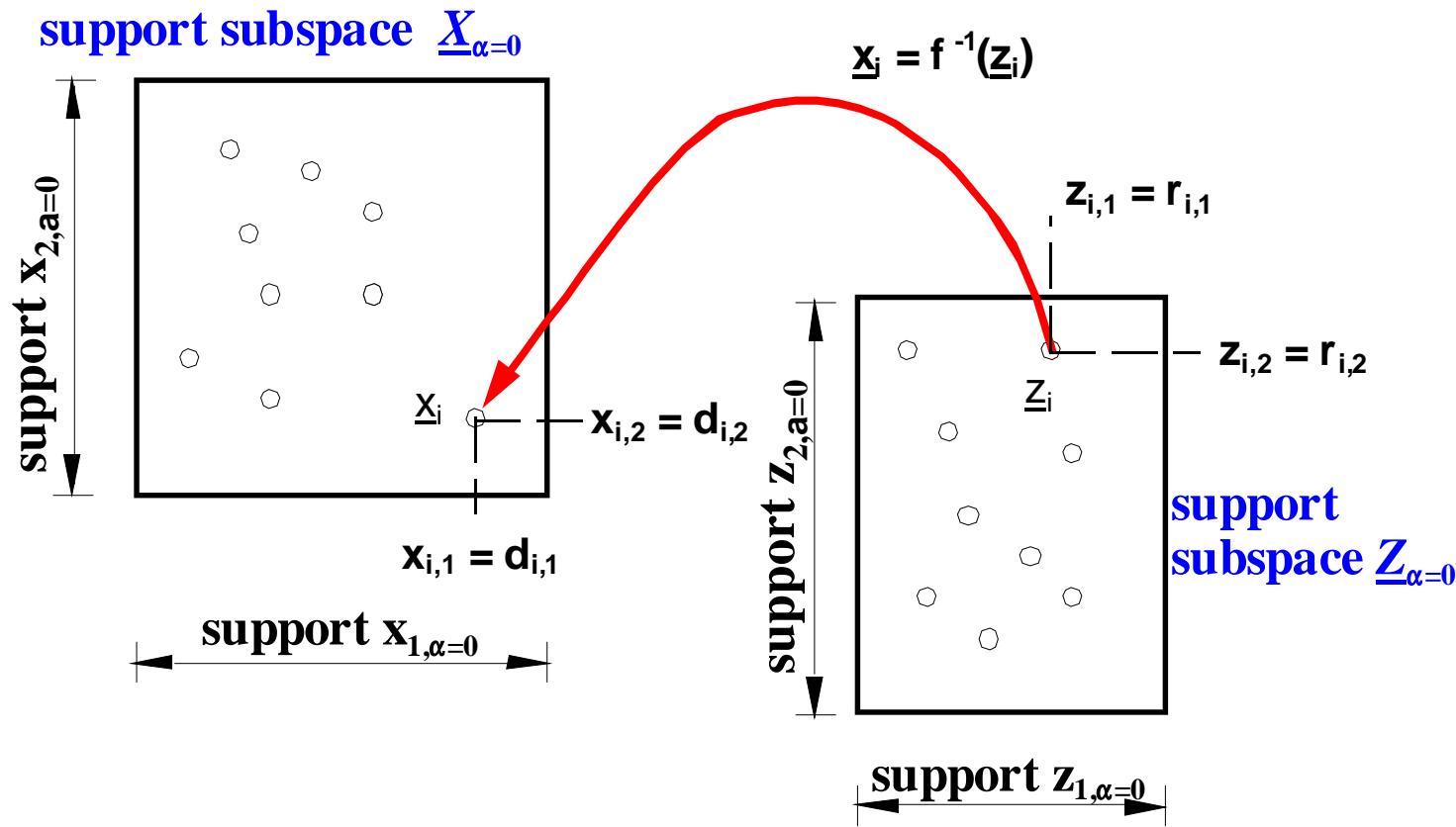
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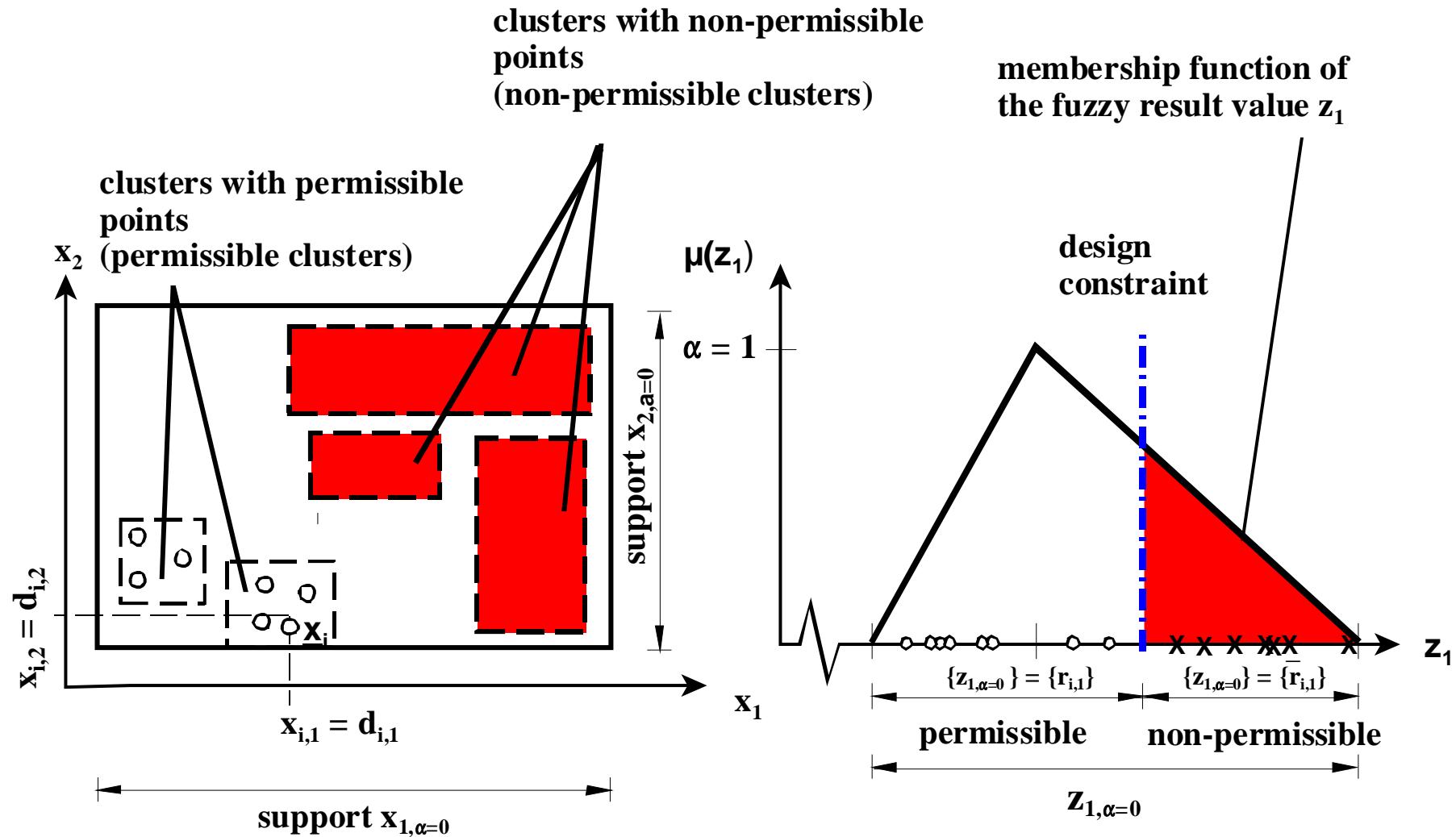
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$$\underline{z}_i = f(\underline{x}_i) \leftrightarrow \underline{x}_i = f^{-1}(\underline{z}_i)$$



# Conceptual idea (4)

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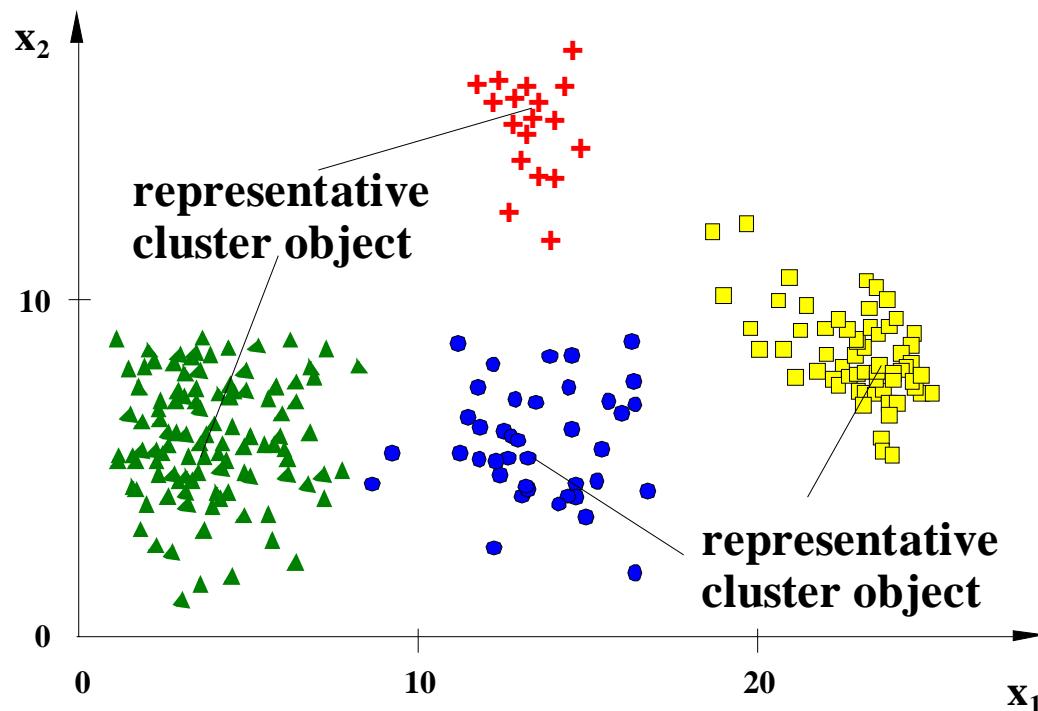
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# Application of cluster methods (1)

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## k-medoid cluster method

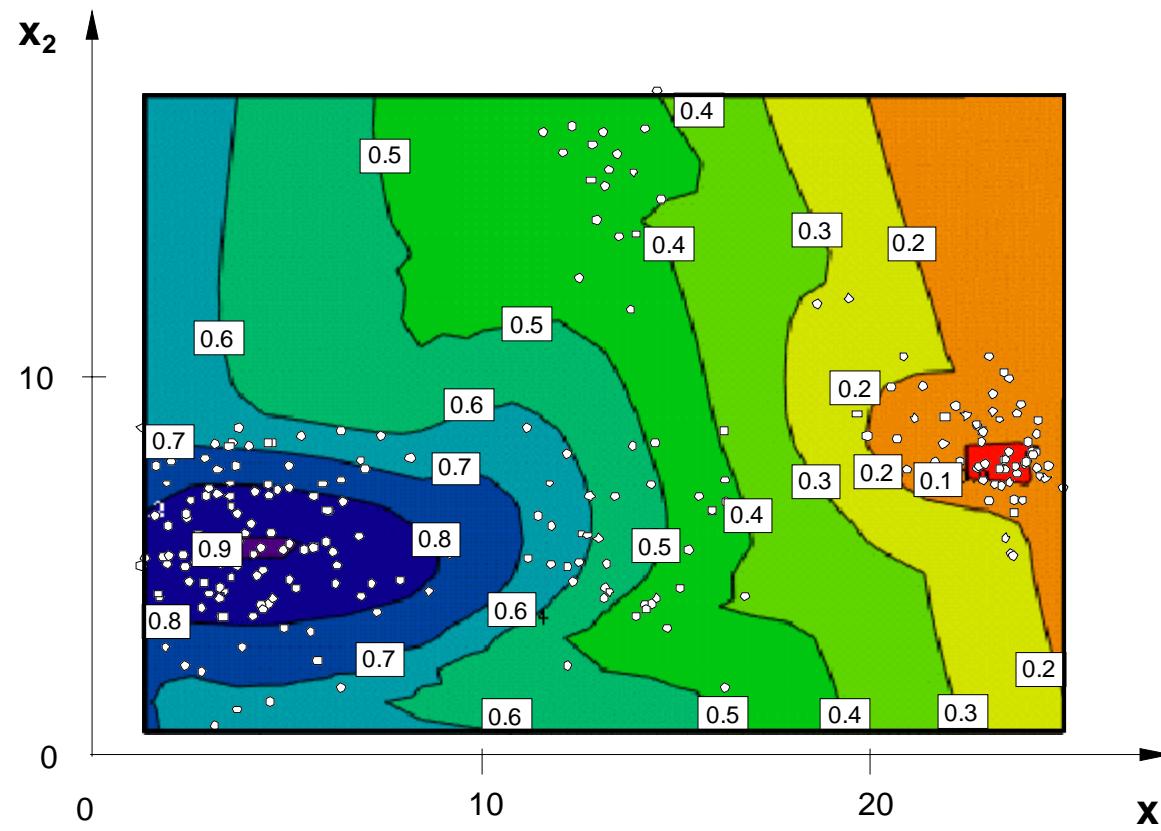


- **k predefined clusters**
- **selecting of k representative objects and clustering the remaining objects**
- **improving the set of representative objects and hence clustering**
- **assessing the quality of clustering by numerical criterions**

# Application of cluster methods (2)

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## Fuzzy cluster method

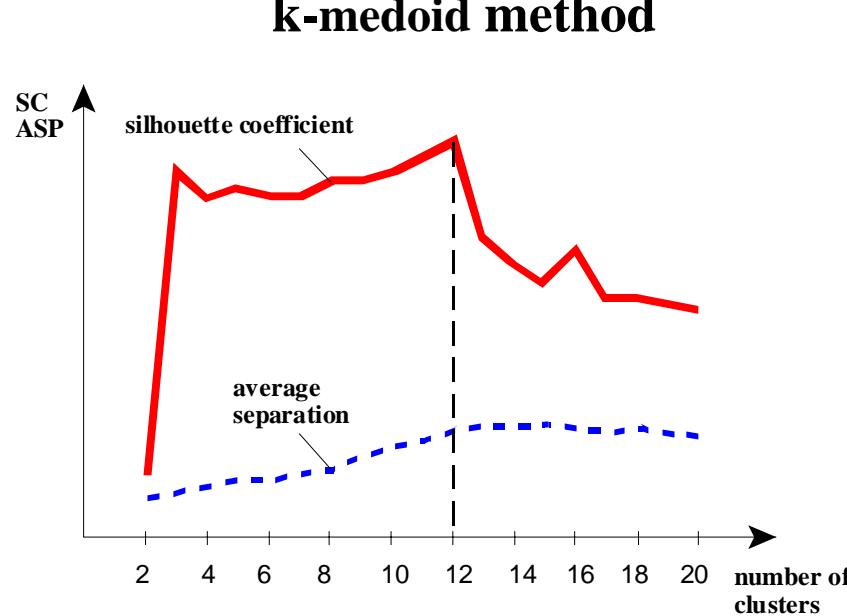


- k predefine cluster
- initializing membership values
- iterative improving the membership values of the objects
- non-linear optimisation problem with constraints
- assessing the quality of clustering by numerical criterions

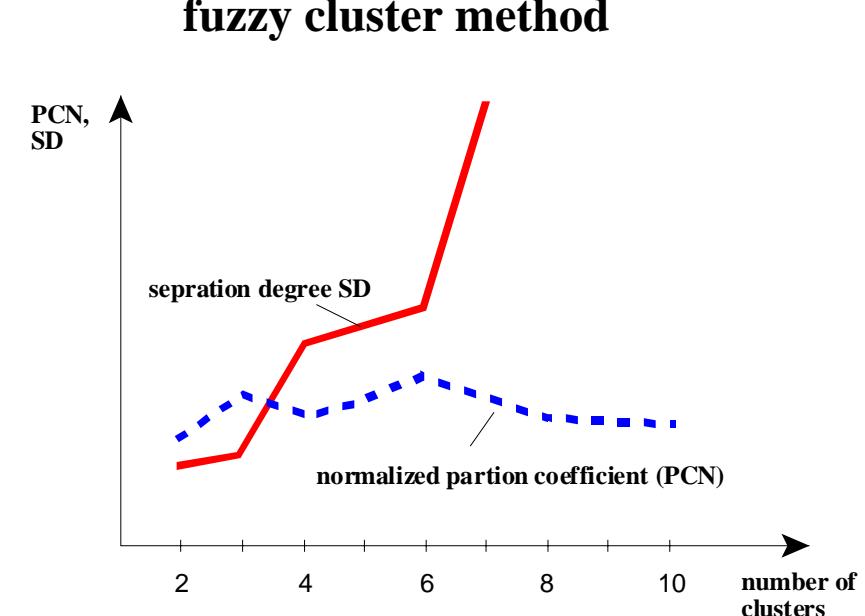
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## Numerical criterions to assess the quality of clustering



$$SC = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{v=1}^k \frac{1}{m_v} \sum_{i=1}^{m_v} \frac{\mathbf{a}_i - \mathbf{b}_i}{\max[\mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{b}_i]}$$



$$PCN = 1 - \frac{k}{1-k} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{v=1}^k \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_{iv}^2 \right)$$

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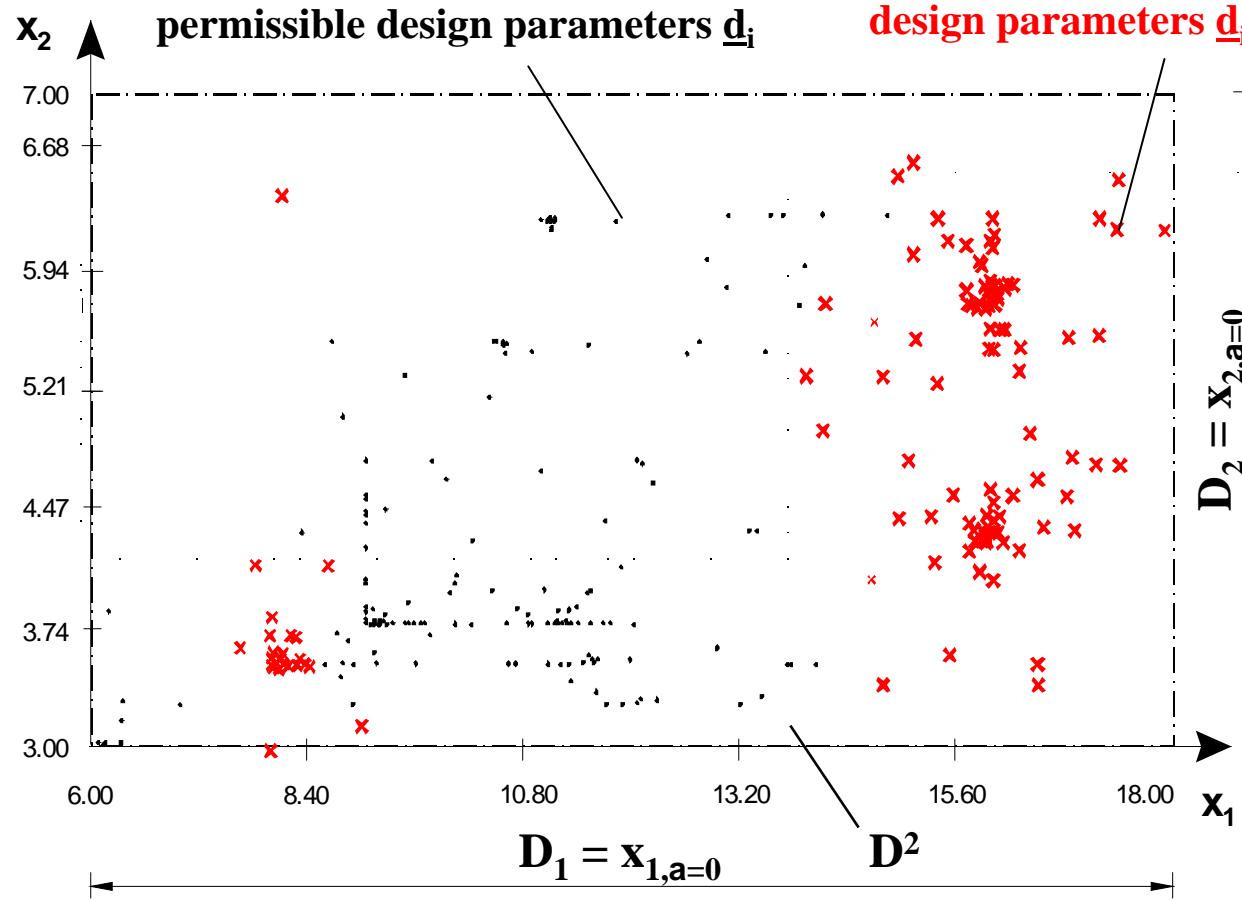
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# Composition of fuzzy cluster design (1)

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## Space of design parameters $\underline{D}^n$



$$D_1 = x_{1,a=0}, \dots, D_u = x_{n,a=0}$$

$$\underline{D}^n = D_1 \times D_2 \dots D_n$$

$$M_d = \{\underline{d}_1, \dots, \underline{d}_i, \dots, \underline{d}_{nd}\}$$

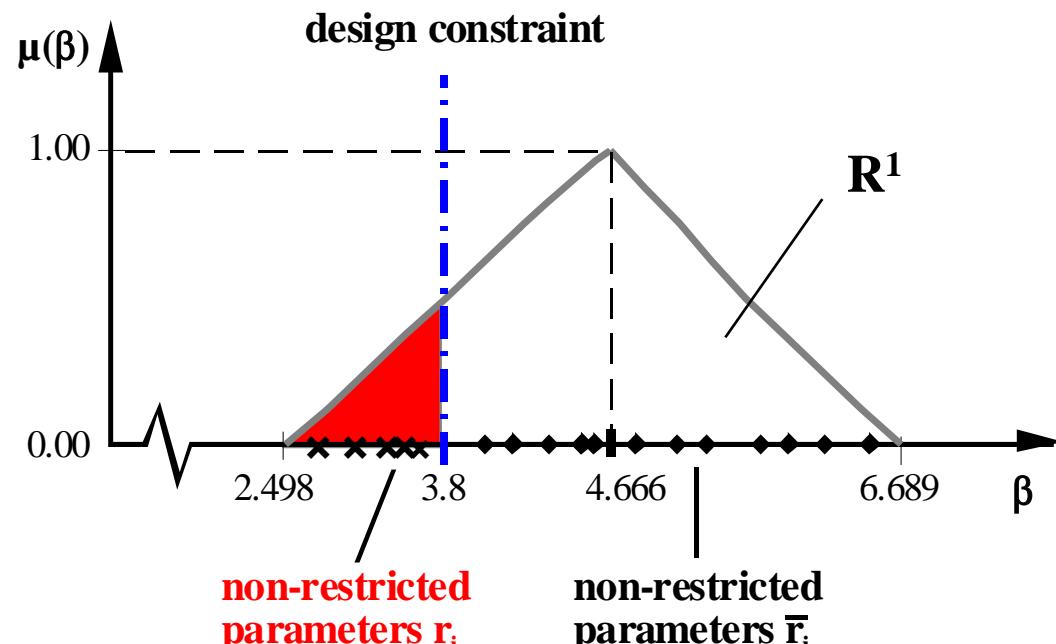
$$\bar{M}_d = \{\bar{d}_1, \dots, \bar{d}_i, \dots, \bar{d}_{\bar{n}d}\}$$

$$M_x = \{M_d, \bar{M}_d\}$$

# Composition of fuzzy cluster design (2)

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## Space of the restricted parameters $\underline{R}^m$



$$R_1 = z_{1,\alpha=0}, \dots, R_m = z_{m,\alpha=0}$$

$$\underline{R}^m = R_1 \times R_2 \dots R_m$$

$$M_r = \{\underline{r}_1, \dots, \underline{r}_i, \dots, \underline{r}_{\bar{m}_r}\}$$

$$\bar{M}_r = \{\bar{r}_1, \dots, \bar{r}_i, \dots, \bar{r}_{\bar{m}_r}\}$$

$$M_z = \{M_r, \bar{M}_r\}$$

# Composition of fuzzy cluster design (3)

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## Algorithmic procedure

**Step I :** Initialization of  $\underline{D}^n$  and  $\underline{R}^m$

**Step II:** Evaluation of the points in  $\underline{R}^m$  by the design constraints

**Step III:** Determining the permissible points  $\underline{d}_i$  and non-permissible points  $\bar{\underline{d}}_i$   
in  $\underline{D}^n \rightarrow M_d$  and  $\bar{M}_d$

**Step IV:** Clustering the sets  $M_d$  and  $\bar{M}_d$ ; result:  $k_1$  permissible cluster

**Step V:** Constructing of the modified sets  $\overset{[v]}{D}_1, \dots, \overset{[v]}{D}_n$  from the permissible cluster;  
result alternative structural design variants

**Step VI:** Verification of the design variants by  $\alpha$ -level optimization  $\rightarrow \overset{[v]}{R}_1, \dots, \overset{[v]}{R}_m$

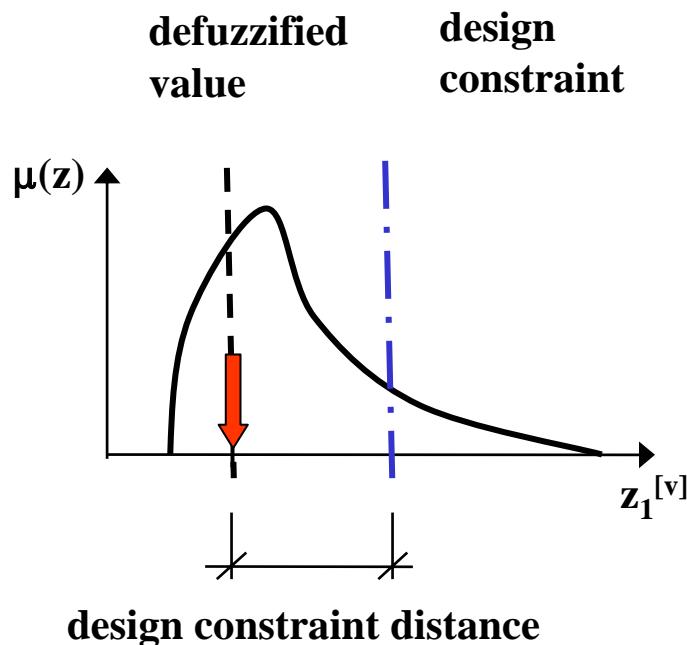
**Step VII:** Testing, whether all points of the  $\overset{[v]}{R}_1, \dots, \overset{[v]}{R}_m$  fulfil the constraints

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## Assessment of the alternative permissible design variants by criterions

**Criterion I: constraint distance**  
(measure for distance)



**Criterion II: robustness**  
(measure for sensitivity  
of the result variables )

$$B_v = \sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{h=1}^n \frac{H_n(\tilde{z}_j^{[v]})}{H_n(\tilde{x}_x^{[v]})}$$

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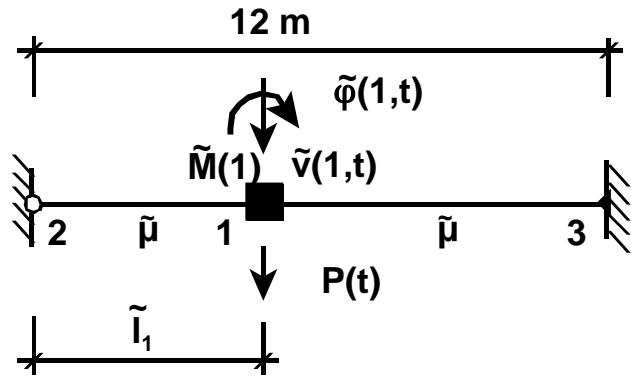
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# Example 1: Steel girder (1)

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## Design for time dependent load



### dynamic load

$$P(t) = P_1 \cdot \cos(\Omega_1 \cdot t) + P_2 \cdot \cos(\Omega_2 \cdot t)$$
$$P_1 = P_2 = 10 \text{ kN}$$
$$\Omega_1 = 44 \text{ s}^{-1} \quad \Omega_2 = 66 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

### steel girder

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{Young's modulus} & E = 2.1 \cdot 10^8 \text{ kN/m}^2 \\ \text{moment of inertia} & I = 1.5 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ m}^4 \end{array}$$

rotational masses are neglected

## design parameters:

nodal mass

$$\tilde{\mathbf{M}}(1) = \left\langle 2, \frac{10}{3}, 6 \right\rangle t$$

distributed mass

$$\tilde{\mu} = \left\langle \frac{1}{3}, \frac{5}{9}, 1 \right\rangle \frac{t}{m}$$

## global mass (full interaction)

$$\tilde{\mathbf{M}} = \tilde{\mathbf{M}}(1) + \tilde{\mu} \cdot 12 \text{ m} = \langle 6, 10, 18 \rangle t$$

## distance

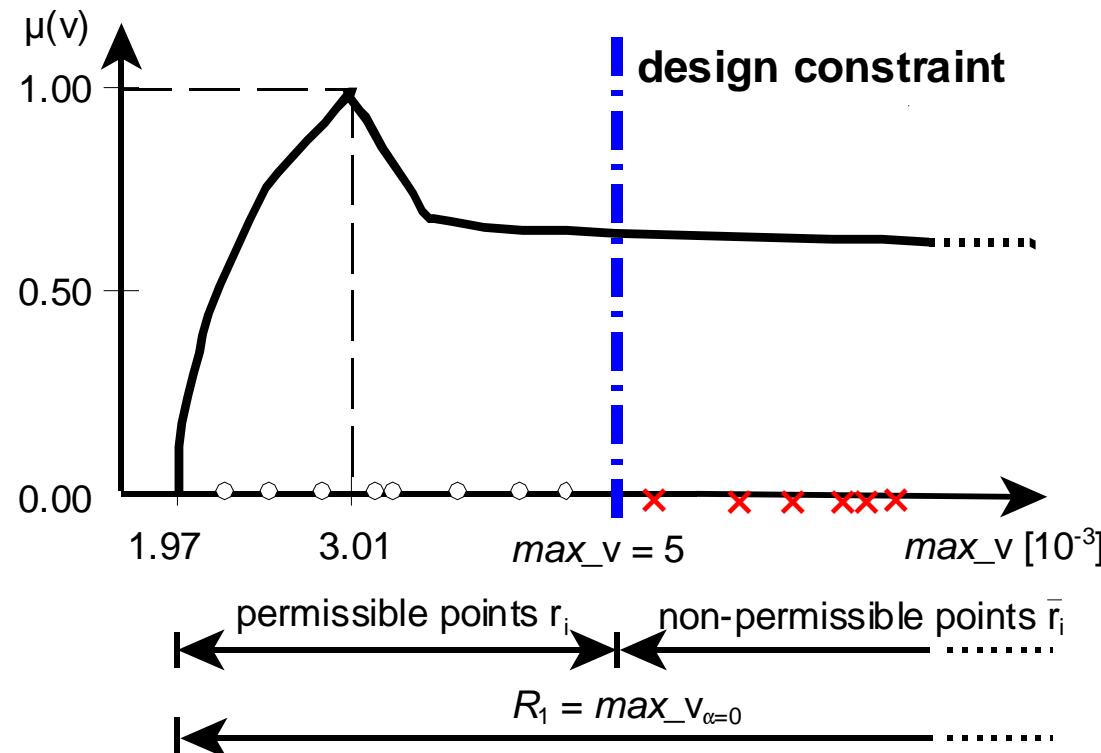
$$\tilde{l}_1$$

# Example 1: Steel girder (2)

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Restricted parameter: displacement norm

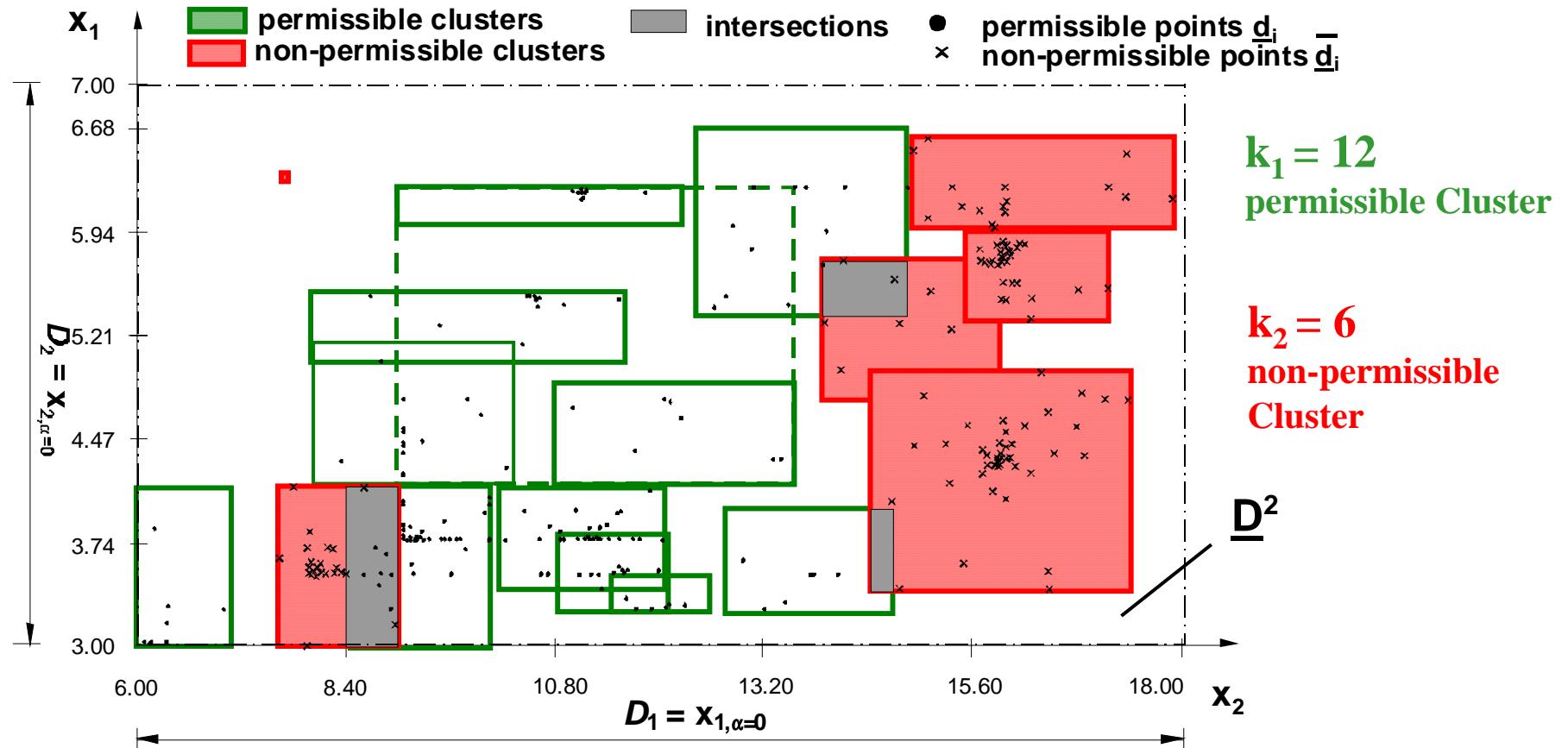
$$\tilde{v}(t) = \sqrt{\frac{\tilde{v}(1,t)^2}{1^2} + \frac{\tilde{\phi}(1,t)^2}{r^2}}$$



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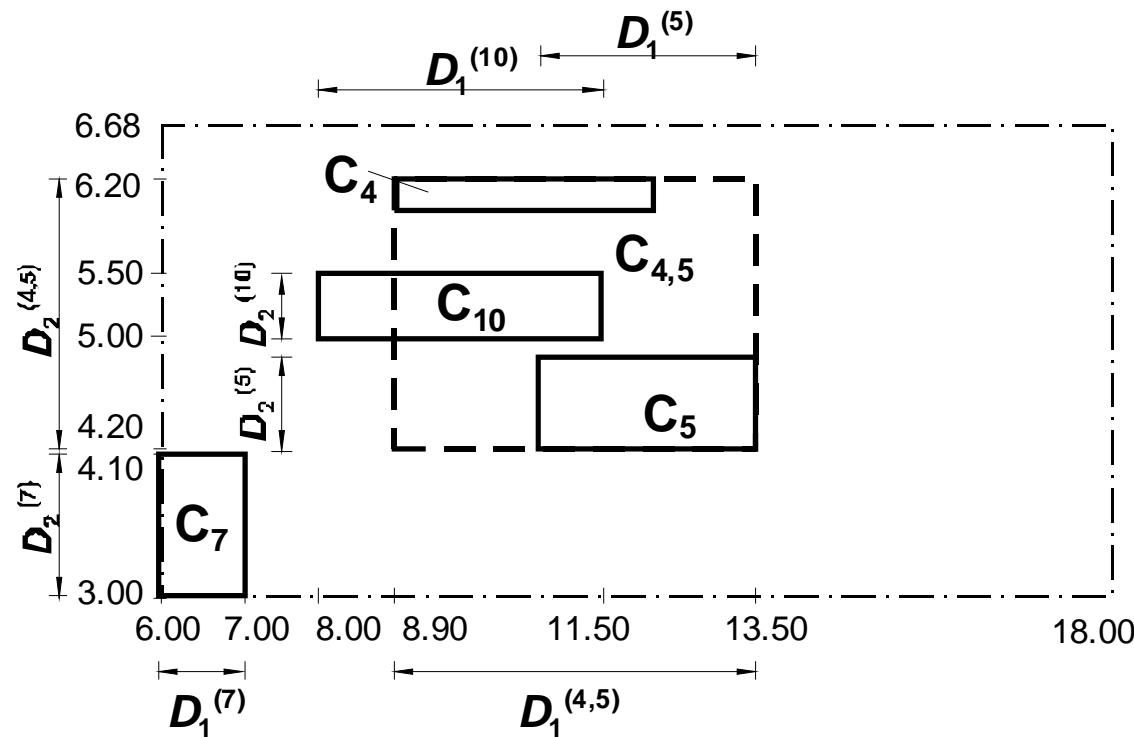
## Cluster configuration in the space $D^2$ based on k-medoid method



# Example 1: Steel girder (4)

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## Clusters selected for alternative design variants



**modified sets =  
alternative design variants**

**cluster  $C_5$  :  $D_1^{[5]}, D_2^{[5]}$**

**cluster  $C_7$  :  $D_1^{[7]}, D_2^{[7]}$**

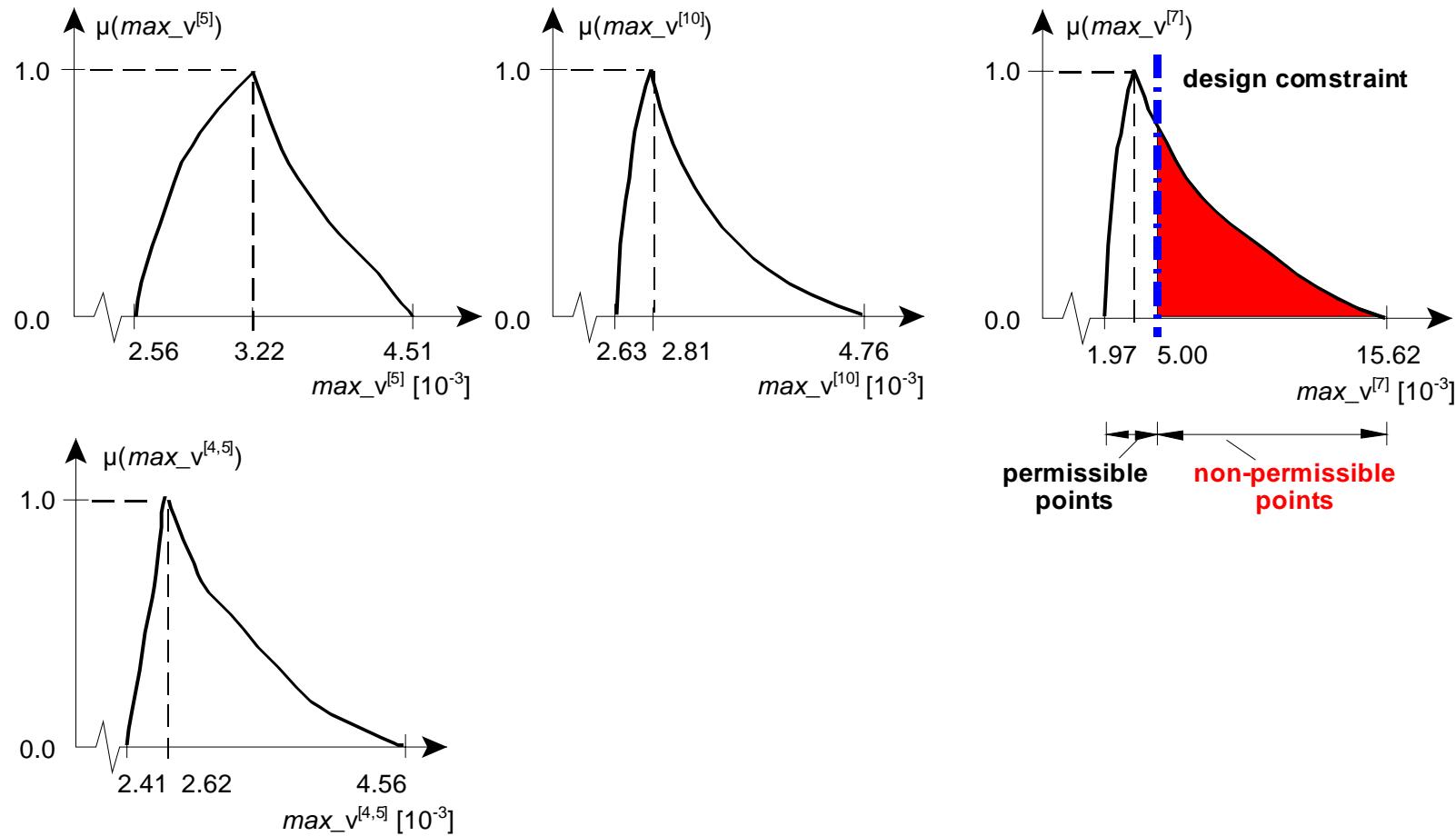
**cluster  $C_{10}$  :  $D_1^{[10]}, D_2^{[10]}$**

**cluster  $C_{4,5}$  :  $D_1^{[4,5]}, D_2^{[4,5]}$**

# Example 1: Steel girder (5)

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Verification of structural design alternatives yields modified fuzzy results



# Example 1: Steel girder (6)

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## Computed design variants

**Design variant I**  
(obtained from cluster 5)

$$\begin{aligned}M^{[5]} &= [10.8, 13.5] \text{ t} \\l_1^{[5]} &= [4.20, 4.80] \text{ m}\end{aligned}$$

**Design variant II**  
(obtained from cluster 10)

$$\begin{aligned}M^{[10]} &= [8.00, 11.5] \text{ t} \\l_1^{[10]} &= [5.00, 5.50] \text{ m}\end{aligned}$$

**Design variant III**  
(obtained from cluster 4,5)

$$\begin{aligned}M^{[4,5]} &= [8.90, 13.5] \text{ t} \\l_1^{[4,5]} &= [4.20, 6.20] \text{ m}\end{aligned}$$

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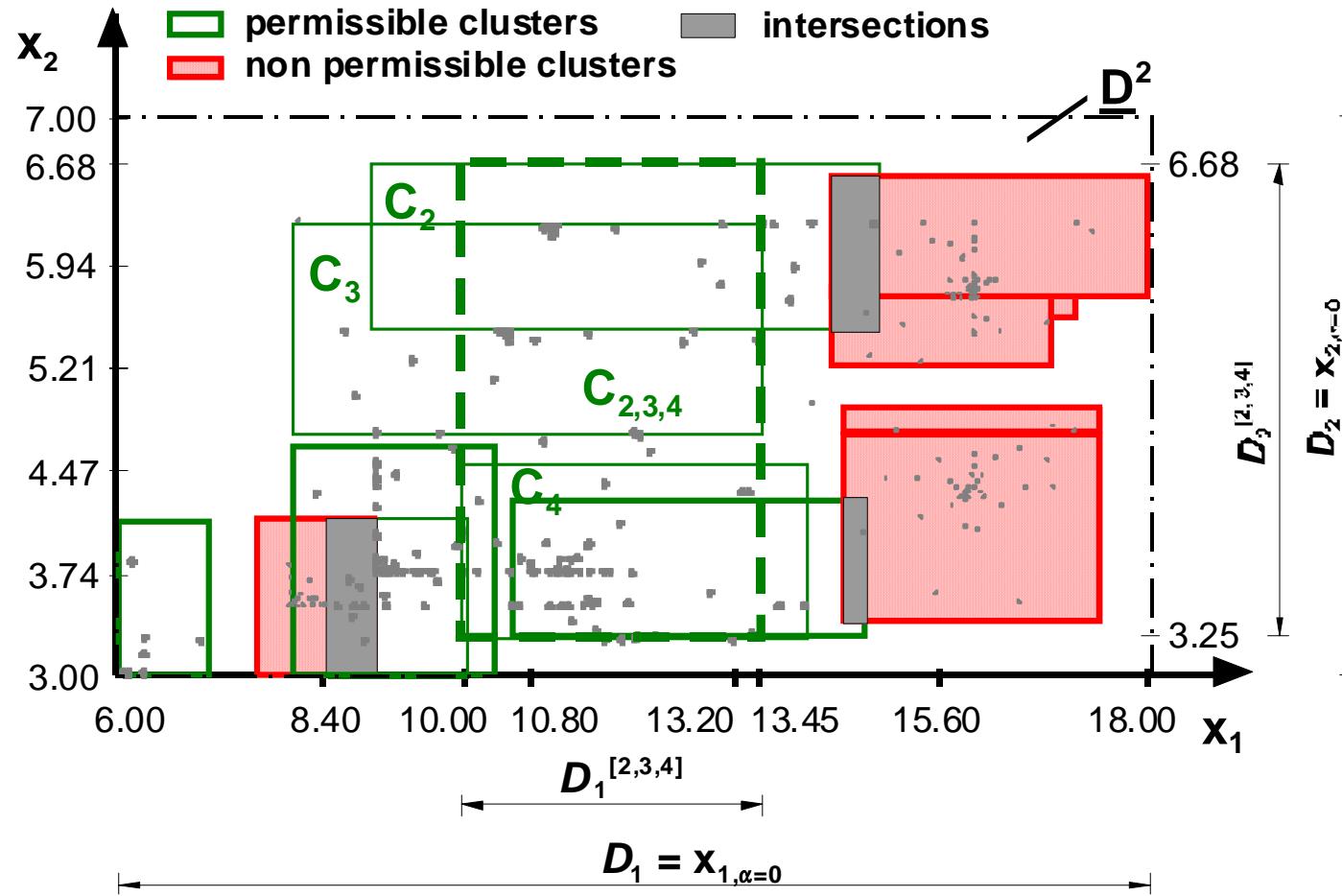
## Assessment of the design variants

	defuzzification results		
	$\max_{V_0}^{[5]}$	$\max_{V_0}^{[10]}$	$\max_{V_0}^{[4,5]}$
centroid method	3.37	3.39 (max)	3.11 (min)
Chen method	4.00 (min)	4.60 (max)	4.30
level rank method	3.30 (max)	3.10	2.97 (min)
robustness measure B	0.03933 (max)	0.00458	0.00137 (min)

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Cluster configuration in the space  $D^2$  based on fuzzy cluster method



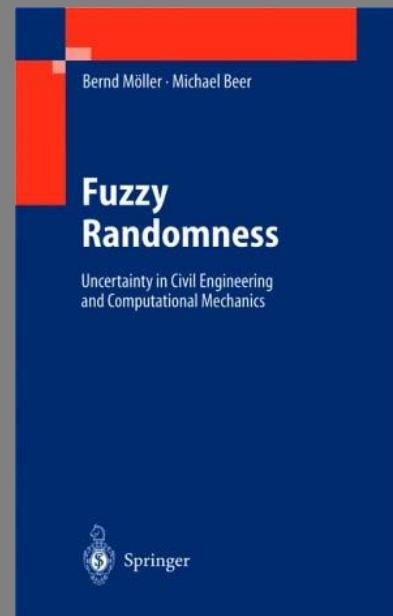
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