

Bayesian vMF mixture model

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We adopt a simplification of the Bayesian vMF mixture model proposed in [2]¹. For computational efficiency, the priors on the vMF mean $\{\boldsymbol{\mu}_k\}$ and on the vMF concentration $\{\kappa_k\}$ are removed.

1 Model Specification

The generative process is as follows:

1. $\boldsymbol{\theta}_i \sim \text{Dir}(\alpha)$;
2. $z_{ij} \sim \text{Cat}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_i)$;
3. $\mathbf{x}_{ij} \sim \text{vMF}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_{z_{ij}}, \kappa_{z_{ij}})$.

Here α is a hyperparameter, $\{\boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \kappa_k\}$ are parameters of mixture components to be learned.

2 Model Likelihood and Inference

Given parameters $\{\boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \kappa_k\}$, the complete-data likelihood of a dataset $\{\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}, \boldsymbol{\Theta}\} = \{\mathbf{x}_{ij}, z_{ij}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_i\}$ is:

$$p(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}, \boldsymbol{\Theta} | \alpha, \{\boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \kappa_k\}) = \prod_i \text{Dir}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_i | \alpha) \prod_j \theta_{i,z_{ij}} \text{vMF}(\mathbf{x}_{ij} | \boldsymbol{\mu}_{z_{ij}}, \kappa_{z_{ij}}). \quad (1)$$

The incomplete-data likelihood of $\{\mathbf{X}, \boldsymbol{\Theta}\} = \{\mathbf{x}_{ij}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_i\}$ is obtained by integrating out the latent variables $\mathbf{Z}, \boldsymbol{\Theta}$:

$$p(\mathbf{X} | \alpha, \{\boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \kappa_k\}) = \int d\boldsymbol{\Theta} \cdot \prod_i \text{Dir}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_i | \alpha) \prod_j \sum_k \theta_{ik} \text{vMF}(\mathbf{x}_{ij} | \boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \kappa_k). \quad (2)$$

¹This model reappears in [3] under the name “mix-vMF topic model”.

(2) is apparently intractable, and instead we seek its variational lower bound:

$$\begin{aligned}\log p(\mathbf{X}|\alpha, \{\boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \kappa_k\}) &\geq E_{q(\mathbf{Z}, \boldsymbol{\Theta})}[\log p(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}, \boldsymbol{\Theta}|\alpha, \{\boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \kappa_k\}) - \log q(\mathbf{Z}, \boldsymbol{\Theta})]. \\ &= \mathcal{L}(q, \{\boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \kappa_k\})\end{aligned}\quad (3)$$

It is natural to use the following variational distribution to approximate the posterior distribution of $\mathbf{Z}, \boldsymbol{\Theta}$:

$$q(\mathbf{Z}, \boldsymbol{\Theta}) = \prod_i \left\{ \text{Dir}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_i | \boldsymbol{\phi}_i) \prod_j \text{Cat}(z_{ij} | \boldsymbol{\pi}_{ij}) \right\}. \quad (4)$$

Then the variational lower bound is

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}(q, \{\boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \kappa_k\}) &= C_0 + \mathcal{H}(q) + E_{q(\mathbf{Z}, \boldsymbol{\Theta})} \left[(\alpha - 1) \sum_{i,k} \log \theta_{ik} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{i,j,k} \delta(z_{ij} = k) (\log \theta_{ik} + \log c_d(\kappa_k) + \kappa_k \boldsymbol{\mu}_k^\top \mathbf{x}_{ij}) \right] \\ &= C_0 + \mathcal{H}(q) + \sum_{i,k} (\alpha - 1 + n_{i \cdot k}) \left(\psi(\phi_{ik}) - \psi(\phi_{i0}) \right) \\ &\quad + \sum_k \left(n_{\cdot \cdot k} \cdot \log c_d(\kappa_k) + \kappa_k \boldsymbol{\mu}_k^\top \mathbf{r}_k \right),\end{aligned}\quad (5)$$

where

$$n_{i \cdot k} = \sum_j \pi_{ijk}, \quad n_{\cdot \cdot k} = \sum_{i,j} \pi_{ijk}, \quad (6)$$

$$\mathbf{r}_k = \sum_{i,j} \pi_{ijk} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{ij}, \quad (7)$$

and $\mathcal{H}(q)$ is the entropy of $q(\mathbf{Z}, \boldsymbol{\Theta})$:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{H}(q) &= -E_q[\log q(\mathbf{Z}, \boldsymbol{\Theta})] \\ &= \sum_i E_q \left[\sum_k \log \Gamma(\phi_{ik}) - \log \Gamma(\phi_{i0}) - \sum_k (\phi_{ik} - 1) \log \theta_{ik} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \sum_{j,k} \delta(z_{ij} = k) \log \pi_{ijk} \right] \\ &= \sum_i \left(\sum_k \log \Gamma(\phi_{ik}) - \log \Gamma(\phi_{i0}) - \sum_k (\phi_{ik} - 1) \psi(\phi_{ik}) \right) \\ &\quad + (\phi_{i0} - K) \psi(\phi_{i0}) - \sum_{j,k} \pi_{ijk} \log \pi_{ijk}.\end{aligned}\quad (8)$$

By taking the partial derivative of (5) w.r.t. $\pi_{ijk}, \phi_{ik}, \boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \kappa_k$, respectively, we can obtain the following variational EM update equations [1, 2, 3].

2.1 E-Step

$$\begin{aligned}\pi_{ijk} &\sim e^{\psi(\phi_{ik})} \cdot \text{vMF}(\mathbf{x}_{ij} | \boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \kappa_k), \\ \phi_{ik} &= n_{i \cdot k} + \alpha.\end{aligned}\tag{9}$$

2.2 M-Step

$$\begin{aligned}\boldsymbol{\mu}_k &= \frac{\mathbf{r}_k}{\|\mathbf{r}_k\|}, \\ \bar{r}_k &= \frac{\|\mathbf{r}_k\|}{n_{\cdot \cdot k}}, \\ \kappa_k &\approx \frac{\bar{r}_k D - \bar{r}_k^3}{1 - \bar{r}_k^2}.\end{aligned}\tag{10}$$

The update equation of κ_k adopts the approximation proposed in [1].

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