## Unigram mixtures and the EM algorithm

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#### Outline

- Brief review of entropy and Kullback-Leibler
- Bag of word model
- Mixture of unigrams
- Abstract EM scheme
- Application to the mixture of unigrams

### Review: Entropy

Let X a r.v. with values in the finite set  $\mathcal{X}$  and p(x) = P(X = x).

Quantity of information of the observation x

$$I(x) := \log \frac{1}{p(x)}$$

#### Definition of entropy

$$H(X) := E[I(X)] = -\sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} p(x) \log p(x)$$

#### Remarks:

- Convention:  $0 \log 0 = 0$
- H defined either with natural log or the log in base 2 (i.e.  $log_2$ ).
- log<sub>2</sub> is better for coding interpretations
- In this course we will use the natural logarithm.

## Review: Kullback-Leibler divergence

#### Definition

Let p and q be two finite distributions on  $\mathcal{X}$  finite. The Kullback-Leibler divergence is defined by

$$D(p \parallel q) = \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} p(x) \log \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} = E_{X \sim p} \left[ \log \frac{p(X)}{q(X)} \right]$$



The KL divergence is not a distance: it is not symmetric.

- $\forall p, q$  distributions,  $D(p \parallel q) \geq 0$
- $D(p \parallel q) = 0$  if and only if p = q
- If  $\exists x \in \mathcal{X}$  with g(x) = 0 and  $p(x) \neq 0$  then  $D(p \parallel q) = +\infty$ .

## Review: Differential entropy and KL

Let X be a r.v. with distribution P and density p w.r.t. a measure  $\mu$ .

#### Differential entropy:

$$H_{\text{diff}}(p) = -\int_{\mathcal{X}} p(x) \log(p(x)) d\mu(x)$$

#### Differential Kullback Leibler Divergence

$$D_{\text{diff}}(p \parallel q) = \int_{\mathcal{X}} p(x) \log \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} d\mu(x)$$
$$= E_{X \sim p} \left[ \log \frac{p(X)}{q(X)} \right]$$



- $H_{\text{diff}}(p) \not\geq 0$
- $H_{\text{diff}}(p)$  depends on the reference measure  $\mu$ .
- $\Rightarrow$   $H_{\text{diff}}(p)$  does not capture intrinsic properties of P.
  - However,  $D_{\text{diff}}(p \parallel q)$  does not depend on  $\mu$ .

## The bag-of-word model, a vector-space representation of documents

#### Given

• a vocabulary of size d,

Represent a document consisting of N words

$$(w_1,\ldots,w_N)$$

as x the vector of counts, or the vector of frequencies of the number of appearances of each of the words (possibly corrected with tf-idf):

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_d \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{N}_+^d, \quad \text{or } [0, 1]_+^d, \quad \text{or } \mathbb{R}^d.$$

#### Document collection

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} & & & | \\ x^{(1)} & \dots & x^{(M)} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^{(1)} & & x_1^{(M)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_d^{(1)} & & x_d^{(M)} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times M}$$

#### Multinomial mixture model (Unigram mixture)

- K topics
- z component indicator vector

• 
$$\mathbf{z} = (z_1, \dots, z_K)^{\top} \in \{0, 1\}^K$$

• 
$$\mathbf{z} \sim \mathcal{M}(1,(\pi_1,\ldots,\pi_K))$$

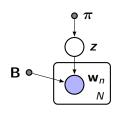
• 
$$\mathbf{w}_n \mid \{z_k = 1\} \sim \mathcal{M}(1, (b_{1k}, \dots, b_{dk}))$$

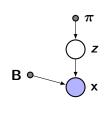
• 
$$p(w_{nj} = 1 \mid z_k = 1) = b_{jk}$$

$$p(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{z}) = \left[ \prod_{n=1}^{N} \prod_{j=1}^{d} \prod_{k=1}^{K} b_{jk}^{w_{nj}z_k} \right] \cdot \prod_{k=1}^{K} \pi_k^{z_k}$$

$$p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) \propto \left[ \prod_{j=1}^{d} \prod_{k=1}^{K} b_{jk}^{x_{j} z_{k}} \right] \cdot \prod_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{k}^{z_{k}}$$

with 
$$x_i = \sum_{n=1}^{N} w_{ni}$$
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#### The same model written jointly for all documents

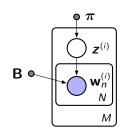
- $z^{(i)}$  component indicator vector
- $\mathbf{z}^{(i)} = (z_1^{(i)}, \dots, z_K^{(i)})^{\top} \in \{0, 1\}^K$
- $ullet oldsymbol{z}^{(i)} \sim \mathcal{M}(1,(\pi_1,\ldots,\pi_K))$

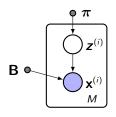
• 
$$p(z^{(i)}) = \prod_{k=1}^{K} \pi_k^{z_k^{(i)}}$$

- $\mathbf{w}_n^{(i)} | \{z_k^{(i)} = 1\} \sim \mathcal{M}(1, (b_{1k}, \dots, b_{dk}))$
- $p(w_{nj}^{(i)} = 1 \mid z_k^{(i)} = 1) = b_{jk}$

$$\bullet \prod_{i=1}^{M} p(\mathbf{w}^{(i)}, \mathbf{z}^{(i)}) = \prod_{i,k} \left[ \pi_{k}^{z_{k}^{(i)}} \prod_{n,j} b_{jk}^{w_{nj}^{(i)} z_{k}^{(i)}} \right]$$

$$\bullet \prod_{i=1}^{M} p(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, \mathbf{z}^{(i)}) = \prod_{i,k} \left[ \pi_{k}^{z_{k}^{(i)}} \prod_{i} b_{jk}^{x_{j}^{(i)} z_{k}^{(i)}} \right]$$





# Applying maximum likelihood to the multinomial mixture

Let 
$$\mathcal{Z} = \{ z \in \{0,1\}^K \mid \sum_{k=1}^K z_k = 1 \}$$

$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{Z}} p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) = \sum_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{Z}} \prod_{k=1}^{K} \left[ \prod_{j=1}^{d} b_{jk}^{x_j z_k} \right] \pi_k^{z_k} = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \left[ \prod_{j=1}^{d} b_{jk}^{x_j} \right] \pi_k$$

#### Issue

- The marginal log-likelihood  $\ell(\mathbf{B}, \pi) = \sum_i \log(p(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}))$  is now complicated
- No hope to find a simple solution to the maximum likelihood problem
- By contrast the complete log-likelihood has a rather simple form:

$$\tilde{\ell}(\mathbf{B}, \pi) = \sum_{i=1}^{M} \log p(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, \mathbf{z}^{(i)}) = \sum_{i, j, k} x_{j}^{(i)} z_{k}^{(i)} \log(b_{jk}) + \sum_{i, k} z_{k}^{(i)} \log(\pi_{k})$$

# Applying maximum likelihood to the multinomial mixture

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- If we knew  $\mathbf{z}^{(i)}$  we could maximize  $\tilde{\ell}(\mathbf{B}, \pi)$ .
- If we knew **B** and  $\pi$ , we could find the best  $z^{(i)}$  since we could compute the true a posteriori on  $z^{(i)}$  given  $\mathbf{x}^{(i)}$ :

$$p(z_k = 1 \mid \mathbf{x}; \mathbf{B}, \boldsymbol{\pi}) = \frac{\pi_k \prod_{j=1}^d b_{jk}^{x_j}}{\sum_{k'=1}^K \pi_{k'} \prod_{j=1}^d b_{jk'}^{x_j}}$$

- $\rightarrow$  Seems a chicken and egg problem...
  - In addition, we want to solve

$$\max_{\mathbf{B},\pi} \sum_{i} \log \left( \sum_{\mathbf{z}^{(i)}} p(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, \mathbf{z}^{(i)}) \right) \quad \text{and not} \quad \max_{\mathbf{B},\pi, \atop \mathbf{z}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{z}^{(M)}} \sum_{i} \log p(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, \mathbf{z}^{(i)})$$

• Can we still use the intuitions above to construct an algorithm maximizing the marginal likelihood?

# Principle of the Expectation-Maximization Algorithm

$$\log p(\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \log \sum_{\mathbf{z}} p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}; \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \log \sum_{\mathbf{z}} q(\mathbf{z}) \frac{p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}; \boldsymbol{\theta})}{q(\mathbf{z})}$$

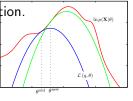
$$\geq \sum_{\mathbf{z}} q(\mathbf{z}) \log \frac{p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}; \boldsymbol{\theta})}{q(\mathbf{z})}$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_q[\log p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}; \boldsymbol{\theta})] + H(q) =: \mathcal{L}(q, \boldsymbol{\theta})$$

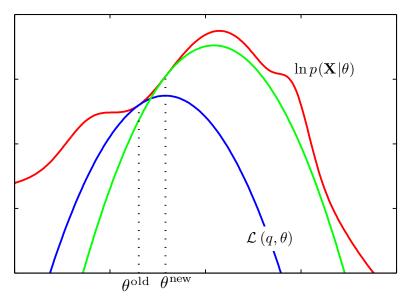
- This shows that  $\mathcal{L}(q, \theta) \leq \log p(\mathbf{x}; \theta)$
- Moreover:  $\theta \mapsto \mathcal{L}(q, \theta)$  is often a **concave** function.
- Finally it is possible to show that

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{q}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \log p(\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\theta}) - KL(\mathbf{q}||p(\cdot|\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\theta}))$$

So that if we set  $q(z) = p(z \mid x; \theta^{(t)})$  then  $L(q, \theta^{(t)}) = p(x; \theta^{(t)}).$ 



# A graphical idea of the EM algorithm



# Expectation Maximization algorithm

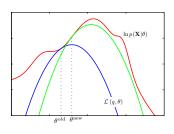
Initialize  $oldsymbol{ heta} = oldsymbol{ heta}_0$ 

#### WHILE (Not converged)

#### **E**xpectation step

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$$\mathcal{L}(q, \theta) = \mathbb{E}_q \left[ \log p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}; \theta^{(t-1)}) \right] + H(q)$$



#### Maximization step

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m old} = oldsymbol{ heta}^{(t-1)}$$
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m new} = oldsymbol{ heta}^{(t)}$ 

#### **ENDWHILE**

# Expected complete log-likelihood

With the notation: 
$$q_{ik}^{(t)}=\mathbb{P}_{q_i^{(t)}}(z_k^{(i)}=1)=\mathbb{E}_{q_i^{(t)}}ig[z_k^{(i)}ig]$$
, we have

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}_{q^{(t)}} \big[ \tilde{\ell}(\mathbf{B}, \pi) \big] &= \mathbb{E}_{q^{(t)}} \big[ \log p(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}; \mathbf{B}, \pi) \big] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{q^{(t)}} \bigg[ \sum_{i=1}^{M} \log p(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, \mathbf{z}^{(i)}; \mathbf{B}, \pi) \bigg] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{q^{(t)}} \bigg[ \sum_{i,j,k} x_{j}^{(i)} z_{k}^{(i)} \log(b_{jk}) + \sum_{i,k} z_{k}^{(i)} \log(\pi_{k}) \bigg] \\ &= \sum_{i,j,k} x_{j}^{(i)} \mathbb{E}_{q_{i}^{(t)}} \big[ z_{k}^{(i)} \big] \log(b_{jk}) + \sum_{i,k} \mathbb{E}_{q_{i}^{(t)}} \big[ z_{k}^{(i)} \big] \log(\pi_{k}) \\ &= \sum_{i,j,k} x_{j}^{(i)} q_{ik}^{(t)} \log(b_{jk}) + \sum_{i,k} q_{ik}^{(t)} \log(\pi_{k}) \end{split}$$

# Expectation step for the Multinomial mixture

We computed previously  $q_i^{(t)}(\mathbf{z}^{(i)})$ , which is a multinomial distribution defined by

$$q_i^{(t)}(\mathbf{z}^{(i)}) = p(\mathbf{z}^{(i)}|\mathbf{x}^{(i)}; \mathbf{B}^{(t-1)}, \pi^{(t-1)})$$

Abusing notation we will denote  $(q_{i1}^{(t)}, \ldots, q_{iK}^{(t)})$  the corresponding vector of probabilities defined by

$$q_{ik}^{(t)} = \mathbb{P}_{q_i^{(t)}}(z_k^{(i)} = 1) = \mathbb{E}_{q_i^{(t)}}[z_k^{(i)}]$$

$$q_{ik}^{(t)} = p(z_k^{(i)} = 1 \mid \mathbf{x}^{(i)}; \mathbf{B}^{(t-1)}, \boldsymbol{\pi}^{(t-1)}) = \frac{\pi_k^{(t-1)} \prod_{j=1}^d \left[ b_{jk}^{(t-1)} \right]_j^{x_j^{(i)}}}{\sum_{k'=1}^K \pi_{k'}^{(t-1)} \prod_{j=1}^d \left[ b_{jk'}^{(t-1)} \right]_j^{x_j^{(i)}}}$$

## Maximization step for the Multinomial mixture

$$\left(\mathbf{B}^{t}, oldsymbol{\pi}^{t}
ight) = \mathop{\mathsf{argmax}}_{\mathbf{B}, oldsymbol{\pi}} \mathbb{E}_{q^{(t)}}ig[ ilde{\ell}(\mathbf{B}, oldsymbol{\pi})ig]$$

This yields the updates:

$$b_{jk}^{(t)} = \frac{\sum_{i} x_{j}^{(i)} q_{ik}^{(t)}}{N \sum_{i} q_{ik}^{(t)}}$$

and

$$\pi_k^{(t)} = \frac{\sum_i q_{ik}^{(t)}}{M}$$

# Final EM algorithm for the Multinomial mixture model

Initialize  $\theta = \theta_0$ 

WHILE (Not converged)

**E**xpectation step

$$q_{ik}^{(t)} \leftarrow \frac{\pi_k^{(t-1)} \prod_{j=1}^d \left[ b_{jk}^{(t-1)} \right]^{x_j^{(t)}}}{\sum_{k'=1}^K \pi_{k'}^{(t-1)} \prod_{j=1}^d \left[ b_{jk'}^{(t-1)} \right]^{x_j^{(t)}}}$$

Maximization step

$$b_{jk}^{(t)} \leftarrow \frac{\sum_{i} x_{j}^{(i)} q_{ik}^{(t)}}{\sum_{i} q_{ik}^{(t)}} \quad \text{and} \quad \pi_{k}^{(t)} \leftarrow \frac{\sum_{i} q_{ik}^{(t)}}{M}$$

#### **ENDWHILE**

# The EM algorithm for the Gaussian mixture model

#### Gaussian mixture model

- K components
- z component indicator

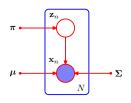
• 
$$\mathbf{z} = (z_1, \dots, z_K)^{\top} \in \{0, 1\}^K$$

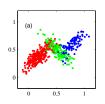
• 
$$\mathbf{z} \sim \mathcal{M}(1, (\pi_1, \dots, \pi_K))$$

• 
$$p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{z};(\boldsymbol{\mu}_k,\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k)_k) = \sum_{k=1}^K z_k \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x};\boldsymbol{\mu}_k,\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k)$$

• 
$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_k \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k)$$

• Estimation:  $\underset{\boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k}{\operatorname{argmax}} \log \left[ \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k \, \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k) \right]$ 

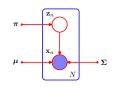




#### EM Algorithm for the Gaussian mixture model

Soit 
$$\boldsymbol{\theta}^t = (\pi^t, (\boldsymbol{\mu}_k^t, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k^t)_k)$$
.

$$\prod_{i=1}^{n} p(\mathbf{z}^{i}, \mathbf{x}^{i}; \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} \prod_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{k}^{z_{k}^{i}} \left( \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}^{i}; \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{k}) \right)^{z_{k}^{i}}$$



#### E step:

$$p(\mathbf{z}^1,\ldots,\mathbf{z}^n|\mathbf{x}^1,\ldots,\mathbf{x}^n;\boldsymbol{\theta}^t) = \prod_{i=1}^n p(\mathbf{z}^i|\mathbf{x}^i;\boldsymbol{\theta}^t)$$

$$q_{k}^{i} = P(z_{k}^{i} = 1 | x^{i}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{t}) = \frac{p(x^{i} | z_{k}^{i} = 1; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{t}) P(z_{k}^{i} = 1; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{t})}{p(x^{i}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{t})} = \frac{\pi_{k}^{t} \mathcal{N}(x^{i}; \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k}^{t}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{k}^{t})}{\sum_{\ell} \pi_{\ell}^{t} \mathcal{N}(x^{i}; \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\ell}^{t}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\ell}^{t})}$$

$$\mathbb{E}_q[\log p(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta})] = \mathbb{E}_q\Big[\sum_{i,k} z_k^i \left(\log \pi_k + \log \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}^i; \boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k)\right)\Big]$$

$$= \sum_{i,k} q_k^i \log \pi_k - \frac{1}{2} q_k^i (x_i - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k^{-1} (x_i - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k) - \frac{1}{2} q_k^i \log((2\pi)^d |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k|)$$

## EM Algorithm for the Gaussian mixture model II

Let 
$$Q(\theta, \theta^{(t)}) := \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{z^{(i)} \in \mathcal{Z}} \log p(x^{(i)}, z^{(i)}; \theta) \, p(z^{(i)} \mid x^{(i)}; \theta^{(t)})$$
, then

$$Q(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\theta}^t) = \sum_{i,k} q_k^i \log \pi_k - \frac{1}{2} q_k^i (\mathsf{x}_i - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k^{-1} (\mathsf{x}_i - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k) - \frac{1}{2} q_k^i \log((2\pi)^d |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k|)$$

M step:

$$\max_{\pi, (\boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k)_k} Q\Big( \big(\pi, (\boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k)_k \big), \boldsymbol{\theta}^t \Big) \qquad \text{s.t.} \qquad \sum_k \pi_k = 1$$

After calculations:

$$n_k^{t+1} = \sum_i q_k^i$$

$$\boxed{\pi_k^{t+1} = \frac{n_k^{t+1}}{n}}$$

$$\pi_k^{t+1} = \sum_i q_k^i$$
  $\pi_k^{t+1} = \frac{n_k^{t+1}}{n}$   $\pi_k^{t+1} = \frac{1}{n_k^{t+1}} \sum_i q_k^i x_i$ 

$$oxed{oldsymbol{\Sigma}_{k}^{t+1} = rac{1}{n_{k}^{t+1}} \sum_{i} q_{k}^{i} (x_{i} - oldsymbol{\mu}_{k}^{t+1}) (x_{i} - oldsymbol{\mu}_{k}^{t+1})^{ op}}$$

# EM Algorithm for the Gaussian mixture model III

