

ECE C143A Homework 3

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Problem 1

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We have

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \prod_{i=0} P(\mathbf{x}_i, t_i) \\ &= \prod_{i=0} P(t_i) P(\mathbf{x}_i | t_i) \end{aligned}$$

let $P(t_i = j) = P(C_j)$, therefore we have

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \prod_{i \in C_1} P(C_1) P(\mathbf{x}_i | C_1) \dots \prod_{i \in C_k} P(C_k) P(\mathbf{x}_i | C_k) \\ \log(L) &= \sum_{i=1}^k N_i \log(P(C_i)) + \sum_{j \in C_1} \log(P(\mathbf{x}_j | C_1)) + \dots + \sum_{j \in C_k} \log(P(\mathbf{x}_j | C_k)) \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} P(\mathbf{x}_j | C_k) &= (2\pi \det(\Sigma_k))^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}_j - \mu_k)^T \Sigma_k^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_j - \mu_k)\right) \\ \log(P(\mathbf{x}_j | C_k)) &= -\frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi \det(\Sigma_k)) - \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}_j - \mu_k)^T \Sigma_k^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_j - \mu_k) \end{aligned}$$

In order to find the maximum likelihood estimator μ_k we find the values of μ_k such that $\frac{\partial \log L}{\partial \mu_k} = 0$, Therefore we have

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial \log L}{\partial \mu_k} &= \sum_{j \in C_k} -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu_k} (\mathbf{x}_j - \mu_k)^T \Sigma_k^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_j - \mu_k) = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{j \in C_k} (\Sigma_k + \Sigma_k^T) (\mathbf{x}_j - \mu_k) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} (\Sigma_k + \Sigma_k^T) \sum_{j \in C_k} \mathbf{x}_j - \mu_k\end{aligned}$$

therefore we have that in order for $\frac{\partial \log L}{\partial \mu_k} = 0$,

$$\sum_{j \in C_k} \mathbf{x}_j - \mu_k = 0$$

$$\boxed{\mu_k = \frac{1}{N_k} \sum_{j \in C_k} \mathbf{x}_j}$$

Likewise, the maximum likelihood estimator of Σ_k is the values such that $\frac{\partial \log L}{\partial \Sigma_k} = 0$,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial \log L}{\partial \Sigma_k} &= 0 \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$

And to find the maximum likelihood estimator for $P(C_i)$ we must find the value of $P(C_i)$ for any $i \in k$ such that $\sum_{j \in k} N_j \log(p(C_j))$ is maximized, since $\sum_{i \in K} p(C_i) = 1$, we have $\sum_{j \in k} N_j \log(p(C_j)) = \sum_{j \in k} N_j \log(p(C_j)) + \lambda(\sum_{i \in K} p(C_i) - 1)$ Therefore taking the derivative of each with respect to $P(C_i)$ for any $i \in k$ we get

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial}{\partial P(C_1)} \sum_{j \in k} N_j p(C_j) + \lambda(\sum_{i \in K} p(C_i) - 1) &= \frac{N_j}{C_j} + \lambda = 0 \\ &\vdots \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial P(C_k)} \sum_{j \in k} N_j p(C_j) + \lambda(\sum_{i \in K} p(C_i) - 1) &= \frac{N_k}{C_k} + \lambda = 0 \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} \sum_{j \in k} N_j p(C_j) + \lambda(\sum_{i \in K} p(C_i) - 1) &= \sum_{i \in K} p(C_i) = 1\end{aligned}$$

Solving these we get that $p(C_k) = \boxed{\frac{N_k}{N}}$