

1 Basics

- General p-norm: $\|x\|_p = (\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^p)^{1/p}$
- Hoelder: $\|uv\|_1 \leq \|u\|_p \|v\|_q$, $\|u+v\|_p \leq \|u\|_p + \|v\|_p$
- Triangle: $\|u+v\|_p \leq \|u\|_p + \|v\|_p$
- Cauchy-Schwarz: $|\langle u, v \rangle|^2 \leq \|u\|^2 \|v\|^2$
- Cauchy-Schwarz: $|\mathbb{E}[X, Y]|^2 \leq \mathbb{E}[X^2] \mathbb{E}[Y^2]$
- Taylor: $f(x) \approx f(a) + \frac{f'(a)}{1!}(x-a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2!}(x-a)^2 + \dots$
 - $f(x) \approx f(a) + \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x} \Big|_a - \frac{1}{2}(x-a)^\top \left(\frac{\partial^2 f(x)}{\partial x \partial x^\top} \Big|_a \right) (x-a)$
 - Power series of exp.: $\exp(x) := \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!}$
- Entropy: $H(X) \equiv H(p_X) = \mathbb{E}_X[-\log \mathbb{P}(X=x)]$
 - $H(X|Y) = \sum_y \mathbb{P}(Y=y) H(X|Y=y) \leq H(X)$
 - $H(X, Y) = H(X) + H(Y|X)$
 - $H(X|g(X)) \geq 0$ $H(g(X)|X) = 0$
 - $H(cX) \begin{cases} = H(X) & \text{discrete} \\ = H(X) + \log|c| > H(X) & \text{continuous} \end{cases}$
- MI: $I(X; Y|Z) = H(X|Z) - H(X|Y, Z)$ (symmetric)
 - $I(X; Y) = D_{\text{KL}}(p(x, y) \| p(x)p(y)) \geq 0$
 - $I(X_1, \dots, X_n; Z) = \sum_{i=1}^n I(X_i; Z | X_1, \dots, X_{i-1})$
 - Markov chain: $I(X_1; X_2, X_3, \dots) = I(X_1; X_2)$
 - $I(X, Y; Z) = I(X; Z) + I(Y; Z | X)$
- KL-divergence: $D_{\text{KL}}(p \| q) = \sum_x p(x) \log\left(\frac{p(x)}{q(x)}\right) \geq 0$
- $1 - z \leq \exp(-z)$
- Jensen, $f(X)$ convex: $f(\mathbb{E}[X]) \leq \mathbb{E}[f(X)]$

1.1 Calculus

- Partial: $\int uv' dx = uv - \int u'v dx$ $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{g}{h} = \frac{g'h - gh'}{h^2}$
- $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\|x-b\|_2) = \frac{x-b}{\|x-b\|_2}$ $\frac{d}{dx} |x| = \frac{x}{|x|}$
- $\frac{\partial}{\partial X} \log|X| = X^{-\top}$ $|X^{-1}| = |X|^{-1}$
- $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (b^\top x) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x^\top b) = b$
- $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (b^\top Ax) = A^\top b$ $\frac{\partial}{\partial X} (c^\top Xb) = cb^\top$
- $\frac{\partial}{\partial X} (c^\top X^\top b) = bc^\top$ $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x^\top x) = 2x$
- $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x^\top Ax) = (A^\top + A)x \stackrel{\text{A sym.}}{=} 2Ax$
- $\frac{\partial}{\partial X} \text{Tr}(X^\top A) = A$ Trace trick: $x^\top Ax = \dots$
 - $\dots \stackrel{\text{inn. prod.}}{=} \text{Tr}(x^\top Ax) \stackrel{\text{cycl. perm.}}{=} \text{Tr}(xx^\top A) = \text{Tr}(Axx^\top)$

2 Maximum Entropy Inference

Sample $c \sim p(\cdot | X)$ s.t. $H[p(\cdot | x)]$ is maximal,
 $\mathbb{E}_{C|X}[R(C, X)] = \mu$ and $\sum_c p(c | X) = 1$.

$$\Rightarrow \text{Gibbs dist.: } p(c | X) = \frac{1}{Z(X)} \exp(-\beta R(c, X))$$

Free energy: $F(X) := -\frac{1}{\beta} \log Z(X)$

$$\Leftrightarrow p(c | X) = \exp(-\beta[R(c, X) - F(X)])$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{entropy: } H[c | X] = \beta \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{C|X}[R(C, X)]}_{=\mu} - \beta F(X)$$

$$\text{ME: } \max H[c | X] \Leftrightarrow \max Z(X) \Leftrightarrow \min F(X)$$

- Exp. generalisation costs: $\mathbb{E}_{X''} \mathbb{E}_{C|X'} [R(c, X'')]$
- Min. out-of-sample descr. length per deg. of freedom

$$\min_{p(\cdot)} \mathbb{E}_{X', X''} \mathbb{E}_{C|X'} \left[-\log \frac{p(c|X'')}{p(c)} \right] \quad p(c) = \mathbb{E}_X[p(c | X)]$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Jensen}}{\geq} \min_{p(\cdot)} \mathbb{E}_{X', X''} \left[-\log \mathbb{E}_{C|X'} [p(c | X'')] \right] - H[c]$$

$$= \max_{p(\cdot)} \mathbb{E}_{X', X''} [e^{H[c]} \cdot \kappa(X', X'')]$$

$$\text{PA: } T^* = \arg \max_T \kappa(X', X'')$$

- PA-kernel: $\kappa(X', X'') := \sum_c p(c | X') p(c | X'')$
- combined: $p(c | X', X'') \propto p(c | X') p(c | X'')$

3 Methods for intractable Gibbs distr.

3.1 Markov Chains

Mixing time of MC: $\|P^t(c, \cdot) - \pi(\cdot)\|_{TV} \leq \epsilon$

$t_{\text{mix}} \propto \frac{1}{\lambda_1 - \lambda_2}$ where $1 = \lambda_1 > \lambda_2 \geq \dots$

Well behaving **Markov Chains** are

- irreducible:** can go from/to any state (n steps)
- aperiodic:** chain doesn't go back & forth forever
 $(\forall n > n(c, c'))$ (no) path length n w/ non-zero prob.)

$$1. \wedge 2. \Rightarrow \text{unique stat. dist. } p(c') = \sum_c \pi(c | c') p(c)$$

$$1. \wedge 2. \wedge \text{stat.} \Rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}[X_t = c] = p(c) \wedge$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{t} \sum_{s=1}^t f(X_s) = \sum_c p(c) f(c)$$

$$\text{DBE } \pi(c' | c) p(c) = \pi(c | c') p(c') \Rightarrow \text{p stat.}$$

$$\text{MH: } \lambda_2 = \max \left\{ 1 - \frac{q(y, x)}{p_x}, 1 - \frac{q(x, y)}{p_y} \right\} = 1 - \alpha - \beta$$

3.2 Sampling and SA

Metropolis-Hastings: Assume $p(c) \propto f(c)$.

$$\pi(c' | c) := \begin{cases} q(c' | c) A(c, c') & c \neq c' \\ 1 - \sum_{c' \neq c} q(c' | c) A(c, c') & \text{otw.} \end{cases}$$

where $q(c' | c)$: prob. to propose the move $c \rightarrow c'$,
 and $A(c, c') := \min\left\{1, \frac{q(c|c') f(c')/Z}{q(c'|c) f(c)/Z}\right\}$ prob. accept move

Metropolis Algorithm: Assume $p(c) \propto f(c)$ and
 $q(c' | c) = q(c | c')$, i.e. symmetric.

- Define symmetric $\{q(\cdot | c)\}_{c \in \mathcal{C}}$ s.t. graph G_q is connected and every vertex in G_q has edge to itself.
- $c_0^T \leftarrow \$$ while $T > \epsilon$ do:
 - for $t = 1, 2, \dots, N$, do:
 - $\tilde{c} \leftarrow q(\cdot | c_{t-1}^T)$ // sample
 - $b \leftarrow \text{Bern}\left(\min\left\{1, e^{-\frac{1}{T}[R(\tilde{c}, X) - R(c_{t-1}, X)]}\right\}\right)$
 - If $b = 1$ then $c_t^T \leftarrow \tilde{c}$ else $c_t^T \leftarrow c_{t-1}^T$.
 - $c_0 \leftarrow c_N^T$
 - $T \leftarrow \text{reduce}(T)$
 - $c_0^T \leftarrow c_0$

Temperature: high temperature $T \rightarrow$ closer to uniform i.e. worse ability to discriminate between good and bad models \rightarrow more likely to accept moves i.e. exploration, not stuck in bad local minima
 reduce temperature to find better local minima and get stuck there

3.3 Laplace's Method (Least angle clust.)

$$1. \text{ Square the cost: } e^{-\frac{1}{T} R(c, X)} = \text{const} \cdot e^{g(c)^\top g(c)}$$

$$2. \text{ Complete the square: } \int e^{-\frac{1}{T} (y - g(c))^2} dy = (\pi T)^{d/2} \Rightarrow e^{g(c)^\top g(c)} = (\pi T)^{-d/2} \int \exp^{-y^\top y + 2y^\top g(c)} dy$$

3. Rewrite normalisation constant:

$$Z = \sum_c e^{-\frac{1}{T} R(c, X)} = \dots = \text{const} \int e^{-\frac{1}{T} f(y)} dy$$

4. Apply Laplace's method:

If f has unique min. y_0 and Hessian $H := \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \Big|_{y_0}$

$$\int e^{-\frac{1}{T} f(y)} dy \stackrel{(T \rightarrow 0)}{\approx} e^{-\frac{1}{T} f(y_0)} \left| \frac{H}{2\pi T} \right|^{-1/2}$$

3.4 Mean-field Approximation

Approach: Minimise $D_{KL}(p \parallel p_\beta)$

\iff Minimise **Gibbs free energy**:

$$G(p) = \frac{1}{\beta} D_{KL}(p \parallel p_\beta) + F(\beta) = \mathbb{E}_{c \sim p}[R(c)] - \frac{1}{\beta} H[p]$$

Note: $H[p] = \sum_{i=1}^N H[p_i]$ and $F(\beta) \leq G(p)$

Ising model: $E(\sigma | h) = -\frac{\beta}{2} \sum_i \frac{h_i}{|N_i|} \sum_{j \in N_i} h_j - \lambda \sum_i h_i \sigma_i$

$$E(\sigma | h) = -\sum_i^p h_i \sigma_i - \lambda \sum_i^{p-r} \sigma_i \sigma_{i+r}$$

$$E(\sigma | h) = -\sum_i h_i \sigma_i - \lambda \sum_{i,j} J_{ij} \sigma_i \sigma_j$$

where J_{ij} : interaction between particles,

h_i : noisy image, σ_i : denoised image

Problem: $\frac{\partial G(p)}{\partial p_{u\alpha}} = 0$ s.t. $\sum_{v \leq K} p_{iv} = 1 \forall i$

Solution: with the *mean field* $h_u = [\dots h_{u\alpha} \dots]^\top$

$$h_{u\alpha} := \frac{\partial \mathbb{E}[R(c)]}{\partial p_{u\alpha}} = \mathbb{E}_{c \sim p_{|u \rightarrow \alpha}}[R(c)] \leftarrow \text{object } u \text{ chooses class } \alpha$$

E: $p_{u\alpha} = \frac{e^{-\beta h_{u\alpha}}}{\sum_{v \leq K} e^{-\beta h_{uv}}}$ 1. Pick random

i 2. $h_i^{\text{new}} \leftarrow p_j^{\text{old}}$ 3. $p_i^{\text{new}} \leftarrow h_i^{\text{new}}$

M: $h_{u\alpha} = \sum_c \prod_{i=1, i \neq u}^N p_i(c(i)) \mathbb{I}_{\{c(u)=\alpha\}} R(c, x)$,

$$-H[P] = \sum_{i \leq N} \sum_{c(i) \in \{1, \dots, K\}} \prod_{j \leq N} p_j(c(j)) p_i(c(i)) \log p_i(c(i)) \lambda_{\max} = \max. \text{ eigenvalue of } \frac{1}{N} X^\top X. \quad (x_i \text{'s row-wise})$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{v=1}^K p_i(v) \log p_i(v)$$

Minimum cond.: $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial p_u^2(\alpha)} \mathcal{B} = \frac{1}{\beta p_u(\alpha)} > 0$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{B}}{\partial p_u(\alpha) \partial p_v(\gamma)} = \frac{\partial h_u(\alpha)}{\partial p_v(\gamma)} = \sum_c \prod_{\substack{i=1 \\ i \neq u, v}}^N p_i(c(i)) \mathbb{I}_{\substack{c(u)=\alpha \\ c(v)=\gamma}} R(c, X) > 0 \text{ for } R(c, X) \geq 0$$

3.4.1 Smooth k-means scr.20 (p. 39)

$$R(c | X) = \sum_i \|x_i - y_{c_i}\|^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \sum_i \sum_{j \in N(i)} \mathbb{I}_{\{c_i \neq c_j\}}$$

where the second term measures **#violations** of these neighbourhood constraints.

$$\implies h_{i\ell} = \|x_i - y_\ell\|^2 + \lambda \sum_{j \in N(i)} p_{j\ell} + \text{const}_i$$

4 Deterministic Annealing (Z is tractable)

Lemma: func's \times domain \rightarrow domain \times co-dom.

$$\mathcal{O}(K^N) \rightarrow \sum_c \prod_i \epsilon_{i,c(i)} = \prod_i \sum_k \epsilon_{ik} \leftarrow \mathcal{O}(NK)$$

$$p(c | \theta, X) = \prod_{i \leq N} p_i(c(i) | \theta, X)$$

where $p_i(k | \theta, X) \propto \exp(-\frac{1}{T} \|x_i - \theta_k\|^2)$

$$\theta_k^* = \arg \max_{\theta_k} \left\{ \frac{\mathbb{E}[R]}{T} + \sum_{i \leq n} \log \sum_{v \leq K} \exp(-\frac{1}{T} \|x_i - \theta_v\|^2) \right\}$$

\implies **Maximize Entropy**

$$\implies \frac{\partial \log Z}{\partial \theta_k} = \frac{\partial \sum_{i \leq n} \log \sum_{v \leq K} \exp(-\frac{1}{T} \|x_i - \theta_v\|^2)}{\partial \theta_k} \triangleq 0 \implies$$

$$\theta_k^* = \frac{\sum_i p_i(k | \theta^*, X) \cdot x_i}{\sum_i p_i(k | \theta^*, X)}$$

do

$$\textbf{E-step: } p_i(k | \theta^{\text{old}}, X) = \frac{\exp(-\frac{1}{T} \|x_i - \theta_k\|^2)}{\sum_{j \leq K} \exp(-\frac{1}{T} \|x_i - \theta_j\|^2)}$$

$$\textbf{M-step: } \theta_k \leftarrow \frac{\sum_{i \leq n} p_{ik} x_i}{\sum_{i \leq n} p_{ik}}$$

$$\theta^{\text{old}} \leftarrow \theta$$

until convergence of θ

$$\theta_k \leftarrow \theta_k + \epsilon \quad (\text{noise s.t. centroids can separate})$$

Phase transitions: For $T \rightarrow \infty$: $\theta_k^* = \bar{X} \quad \forall k \leq K$

Once $T = 2\lambda_{\max}$, more centroids appear, where

$\lambda_{\max} = \max. \text{ eigenvalue of } \frac{1}{N} X^\top X. \quad (x_i \text{'s row-wise})$

DA vs MAP:

1. MAP can get stuck in local maximum
2. MAP not robust against noisy data
3. DA guaranteed to obtain global optimum if annealing is slow enough and ergodicity is given
4. In DA $T > 0$ gives entropic regularisation

Limiting Behaviour:

$$\bullet \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} : P(c(i) = k) \rightarrow \frac{1}{K}; \theta_k^* \rightarrow \frac{1}{N} \sum_i x_i$$

$$\bullet \lim_{T \rightarrow 0} : P(c(i) = k) \rightarrow$$

$$\begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } k = \arg \min_j \|x_i - \theta_j\| \\ 0 & \text{otw.} \end{cases}; \theta_k^* \rightarrow \frac{\sum_{i \in X_k} x_i}{|X_k|}$$

5 Histogram Clustering

Least Angle Clust. (LAC): [Idea]

Similarity $S(x_i, x_j) = w_{ij} \cos(\phi_{ij}) = w_{ij} e_i \cdot e_j$ with unit vectors $e_i := x_i / \|x_i\|$, e.g. choice $w_{ij} = \|x_i\| \cdot \|x_j\|$.

Dyadic data: $\mathcal{Z} = \{(x_{i(r)}, y_{j(r)}); 1 \leq r \leq \ell\}$

• prototype / "centroid": $q(y_j | \alpha)$

• joint dist.: $\hat{p}(x_i, y_j) = \frac{1}{\ell} \sum_{r \leq \ell} \Delta_{x_i, x_{i(r)}} \Delta_{y_j, y_{j(r)}}$

• empirical dist.: $\hat{p}(y_j | x_i) = \frac{\hat{p}(x_i, y_j)}{\hat{p}(x_i)} = \frac{n(x, y)}{n(x)} \leftarrow \text{scr. (5.10)}$

Likelihood: $P(\mathcal{Z} | c, q) = \prod_{r \leq \ell} p(x_{i(r)}, y_{j(r)} | c, q)$

$\stackrel{\text{scr. (5.12)}}{=} \prod_i \prod_j [q(y_j | c(i)) \cdot p(c(i)) \cdot p(x_i)]^{\ell \hat{p}(x_i, y_i)}$

Assume $p(\alpha) = 1/k$ and $\hat{p}(x_i) = 1/n$

Cost: $R^{\text{hc}}(c, q, \mathcal{Z}) = \frac{\ell}{n} \sum_{i \leq n} D_{KL}[\hat{p}(\cdot | x_i) \parallel q(\cdot | c(i))]$

$$nll = -\sum_{i \leq n} \sum_{j \leq m} \ell \hat{p}(x_i, y_j) \log(q(y_j | c(i)) p(c(i)) p(x_i)) + \sum_{i \leq n} \sum_{j \leq m} \ell \hat{p}(x_i, y_j) \log \hat{p}(y_j | x_i) =$$

$$\ell \sum_{i \leq n} \sum_{j \leq m} \hat{p}(x_i, y_j) \log \frac{\hat{p}(y_j | x_i)}{q(y_j | c(i))} + K$$

Solving the **Gibbs dist.** $p(c | q, \hat{p}) = \prod_{i \leq n} P_{i,c(i)}$

via Lagrange yields $q^*(y_j | \alpha) = \frac{\sum_{i \leq n} P_{i\alpha} \cdot \hat{p}(y_j | x_i)}{\sum_{i \leq n} P_{i\alpha}}$ Lemma 2 ch.3 p.36

where $\frac{\partial H}{\partial \theta} = -\frac{1}{T} \mathbb{E}_{C(\cdot | \theta, X)} \left[\frac{\partial R(C, \theta, X)}{\partial \theta} \right]$

Generative Model:

1. pick random object $x_i \in \mathcal{X}$ according to $p(x_i)$
2. select its cluster membership $c(i)$ of x_i
3. select a feature value y_j according to $q(y_j | c(i))$

5.1 Information Bottleneck Method

Rate dist. theory: $R(D) = \min_{p(\hat{X}|X): \mathbb{E}_{\hat{X}}[d(X, \hat{X})] < D} I(X, \hat{X})$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial p(\hat{x}|x)} (I(x, \hat{x}) + \beta \sum_x \sum_{\hat{x}} p(\hat{x} | x) p(x) d(x, \hat{x}) + \sum_x \lambda(x) (\sum_{\hat{x}} p(\hat{x} | x) - 1))$$

$$\implies p(\hat{x} | x) = \frac{p(\hat{x})}{Z(x, \beta)} \exp(-\beta d(x, \hat{x}))$$

Find efficient code $X \mapsto \hat{X}$ (codebook vector) and preserve relevant info. about context Y .

Criterion: $R^{\text{IB}}(q(\hat{x} | x)) = I(X; \hat{X}) - \beta I(\hat{X}; Y)$

Markov chain: $\hat{X} \xrightarrow{q(\hat{x}|x)} X \xrightarrow{p(y|x)} Y$

Generation process: w/ distortion $d(x, \hat{x}) = D_{KL}[\cdot]$

$$\begin{cases} q_t(\hat{x}|x) = \frac{q_t(\hat{x})}{Z_t(x, \beta)} \cdot \exp(-\beta D_{KL}[p(y|x) \parallel p_t(y|\hat{x})]) \\ q_{t+1}(\hat{x}) = \sum_x p(x) \cdot q_t(\hat{x}|x) \\ p_{t+1}(y|\hat{x}) = \sum_x p(y|x) \cdot p(x) \cdot q_t(\hat{x}|x) / q_t(\hat{x}) \\ \frac{\partial q(\hat{x})}{\partial q(\hat{x}|x')} = p(x') \Delta_{\hat{x}, \hat{x}'}, \quad \frac{\partial p(\hat{x}|y)}{\partial q(\hat{x}|x')} = p(x'|y) \Delta_{\hat{x}, \hat{x}'} \\ \mathcal{L}(q(\hat{x}|x)) = \sum_x \sum_{\hat{x}} q(\hat{x}|x) p(x) \log \frac{q(\hat{x}|x)}{q(\hat{x})} + \\ \lambda \sum_{\hat{x}, y} p(y) p(\hat{x}|y) \log \frac{p(\hat{x}|y)}{q(\hat{x})} - \sum_x \mu(x) \sum_{\hat{x}} (q(\hat{x}|x) - 1) \\ = p(x') \left(\log \frac{q(\hat{x}'|x)}{q(\hat{x}')} + \lambda D^{KL}(p(y|x') \parallel p(y|\hat{x}')) - \tilde{\mu}(x') \right) \end{cases}$$

5.2 Parametric Distributional Clustering

Idea: Use a mixture of Gaussian prototypes, i.e.

$$p(y_j | v) \equiv p(b | v) = \sum_{\alpha \leq s} p(\alpha | v) G_{\alpha}(b).$$

$$x_i \xrightarrow{c(i)=v} v \xrightarrow{p(b|v)} \hat{p}(b | i)$$

Note: Feature values y_j ("bins" b) only depend on cluster index v and not explicitly on the site x_i !

Notation: $x_i \leftarrow i$, $y_j \leftarrow b$ (bins), $v \leftarrow$ clusters

Likelihood: (both equivalent if $p(i) = \frac{1}{n}$)

$$P(X | c, \theta) = \prod_{i \leq n} p(c(i)) \prod_{b \leq m} [p(b | c(i))]^{\ell \hat{p}(i, b)},$$

$$P(X, M | \theta) = \prod_{i \leq n} \prod_{v \leq k} [p(v) \cdot \prod_{b \leq m} p(b | v)^{n_{ib}}]^{M_{iv}}$$

where n_{ib} : #occur. an observ. at site i is inside I_b

$$M_{iv} = p(v | i) \in \{0, 1\} \text{ clust. membersh. assign.}$$

Cost (IB): $R^{PDC}(c, p_{\cdot|c}) = -\log P(X, M | \theta) = \dots$

$$\dots = -\sum_{i \leq n} \left[\log p_{c(i)} + \frac{\ell}{n} \sum_{b \leq m} \hat{p}(b | i) \log p(b | c(i)) \right]$$

E-step: $h_{iv} = -\log p_v - \sum_b \frac{\ell}{n} \hat{p}(b | i) \log p(b | v)$

$$q_{iv} = \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{I}_{\{c(i)=v\}}] \propto \exp(-h_{iv}/T)$$

M-step: $p_v = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i \leq n} q_{iv}$

No closed form sol. for $p(\alpha | v)$. Thus, iteratively optimize pairs s.t. $\sum_{\alpha} p(\alpha | v) = 1$.

6 Graph-based Clustering

Non-metric relations: might assume negative values or violate the triangular inequality.

Setting: objects $\mathbf{o}_i, \mathbf{o}_j \in \mathcal{O}$; relations with weights $\mathcal{D} := \{D_{ij}\}$ on the edges (i, j) .

- Cluster α : $\mathcal{G}_{\alpha} \equiv \{\mathbf{o} \in \mathcal{O} : c(\mathbf{o}) = \alpha\}$
- Inter-cluster edges: $\mathcal{E}_{\alpha\beta} = \{(i, j) \in \mathcal{E} : \mathbf{o}_i \in \mathcal{G}_{\alpha} \wedge \mathbf{o}_j \in \mathcal{G}_{\beta}\}$
- cut(A, B) = $\sum_{i \in A, j \in B} W_{ij} \rightarrow$ weight matrix W
- assoc(A, \mathcal{V}) = $\sum_{i \in A, j \in \mathcal{V}} W_{ij} \rightarrow$ total connection strength from nodes in A to all nodes in the graph

Correlation clustering:

Minimise the sum of *pairwise* intracluster distances.

$$R^{cc}(c; \mathcal{D}) = -\sum_{v \leq k} \sum_{(i, j) \in \mathcal{E}_{vv}} S_{ij} + \sum_{v \leq k} \sum_{\substack{\mu \leq k \\ \mu \neq v}} \sum_{(i, j) \in \mathcal{E}_{v\mu}} S_{ij}$$

$$= -2 \sum_{v \leq k} \sum_{(i, j) \in \mathcal{E}_{vv}} S_{ij} + \sum_{(i, j)} \cancel{S_{ij}}$$

\hookrightarrow intra-cluster \hookrightarrow const

$$\begin{aligned} \text{up to thresh. } u & \stackrel{*}{=} -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{v \leq k} \sum_{(i, j) \in \mathcal{E}_{vv}} (|S_{ij} - u| + S_{ij} - u) \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{v \leq k} \sum_{\substack{\mu \leq k \\ \mu \neq v}} \sum_{(i, j) \in \mathcal{E}_{v\mu}} (|S_{ij} + u| - S_{ij} - u) \end{aligned}$$

$*$: altern. def. where $\frac{1}{2}(|X| \pm X) = \max\{0, \pm X\}$

Graph partitioning: $D_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\begin{aligned} R^{GP}(c; \mathcal{D}) &= \text{const} - \sum_{v \leq k} \text{cut}(\mathcal{G}_v(\mathcal{D}), \mathcal{V} \setminus \mathcal{G}_v(\mathcal{D})) \\ &= \text{const} + \sum_{v \leq k} \text{cut}(\mathcal{G}_v(\mathcal{D}), \mathcal{V} \setminus \mathcal{G}_v(\mathcal{D})) \end{aligned}$$

Bias in $R(c; \mathcal{D})$: Cost should scale prop. to #objects, i.e. $R(c; \mathcal{D}) = \mathcal{O}(n)$. $*$: use $D_{ij} = D(1 - \delta_{ij})$

$$\text{Tipp: } \frac{\text{cut}(\mathcal{G}_a, \mathcal{V} \setminus \mathcal{G}_a)}{\text{assoc}(\mathcal{G}_a, \mathcal{V})} \stackrel{*}{=} \frac{n \cdot p_a \cdot n(1 - p_a) \cdot D}{n \cdot p_a \cdot n \cdot D} = 1 - p_a$$

6.1 Pairwise Clustering

$$\text{Cost: } R^{PC}(c; \mathcal{D}) = \sum_{\alpha} \sum_{(i, j) \in \mathcal{E}_{\alpha\alpha}} \frac{D_{ij}}{|\mathcal{G}_{\alpha}|} = \sum_{\alpha} \sum_{(i, j) \in \mathcal{E}_{\alpha\alpha}} |\mathcal{G}_{\alpha}| \frac{D_{ij}}{|\mathcal{E}_{\alpha\alpha}|}$$

Equivariance to k -means: (if $D_{ij} = \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j\|^2$)

$$\sum_{i \leq n} \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{y}_{c(i)}\|^2 = \sum_{i \leq n} \sum_{j \leq n} \sum_{\alpha \leq k} \frac{\mathbb{I}_{\{c(i)=\alpha\}} \mathbb{I}_{\{c(j)=\alpha\}}}{|\mathcal{G}_{\alpha}|} D_{ij}$$

Invariance properties:

- Symmetrisation: $R^{PC}(c; \mathcal{D}^s) \equiv R^{PC}(c; \mathcal{D})$
- Off-diagonal shift: $R^{PC}(c; \tilde{\mathcal{D}}) = R^{PC}(c; \mathcal{D}) - \lambda_{\min} \cdot n$

Theorem: If S^c is p.s.d., then D derives from squared Eucl. space. \implies Make S **p.s.d.:** $\tilde{S} := S - \lambda_{\min} \mathbb{I}$

Constant Shift Embedding:

- Symmetrise** $D \rightarrow D^s$: $D_{ij}^s := \frac{1}{2}(D_{ij} + D_{ji})$
- Centralise** D , then S : $X^c := QX^sQ^{\top}$
 $Q = \mathbb{I} - \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{e}_n \mathbf{e}_n^{\top}$ $S^c = -\frac{1}{2} D^c$
 $X_{ij}^c = X_{ij} - \frac{1}{n} \sum_k X_{ik} - \frac{1}{n} \sum_k X_{kj} + \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{k, \ell} X_{k\ell}$
 \implies sum over column/rows = 0

- (Off-)Diagonal shift:** Find λ_{\min} of S^c

$$\tilde{S} := S^c - \lambda_{\min} \mathbb{I} \quad \tilde{D} := D - \lambda_{\min} (\mathbf{1} - \mathbb{I})$$

$$\tilde{D}_{ij} = \tilde{S}_{ii} + \tilde{S}_{jj} - 2\tilde{S}_{ij} = \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j\|^2$$

Reconstruction:

- EVD: $\tilde{S} = V \Lambda V^{\top}$ via $(\tilde{S} - \lambda \mathbb{I})\mathbf{v} \stackrel{!}{=} 0$ ($|\mathbf{v}| = 1$)
where $\Lambda = \text{diag}(\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_n)$ and $V = [\mathbf{v}_1 \dots \mathbf{v}_n]$
- Find p s.t. $\lambda_1 \geq \dots \lambda_p > \lambda_{p+1} = \dots = \lambda_n = 0$
- $\implies \mathbf{X}_p = V_p (\Lambda_p)^{1/2}$ (each row is a vector)
- $\implies \mathbf{X}_t = V_t (\Lambda_t)^{1/2}$ (approx. & denoising)

Cluster membership of new data:

Note: S^{new} is def. by $D_{ij}^{\text{new}} = S_{ii}^{\text{new}} + \tilde{S}_{jj} - 2S_{ij}^{\text{new}}$

- $(S^{\text{new}})^c = -\frac{1}{2} \left[D^{\text{new}} (\mathbb{I}_n - \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{e}_n \mathbf{e}_n^{\top}) - \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{e}_m \mathbf{e}_n^{\top} + \tilde{D} (\mathbb{I}_n - \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{e}_n \mathbf{e}_n^{\top}) \right]$
- Project: $X_p^{\text{new}} = (S^{\text{new}})^c V_p (\Lambda_p)^{-1/2}$
- Assign: $\hat{c}_i = \arg \min_c \|(x_p^{\text{new}})_i - y_{c(i)}\|$

7 Model Selection for Clustering

What is the appropriate #clusters k for my data?

General approach: Measure quality (neg. log-likelihood) for different $k \rightarrow$ **elbow**.

7.1 Complexity-based Model Selection

Strategy: add a complexity term to neg. log-likelihood

Attention: MDL/BIC rely on likelihood optimisation

→ not generally applicable

Ocam's razor: Choose the model that provides the shortest description of the data.

7.1.1 Min. Description Length (MDL)

Minimise **descr. length:** $-\log p(X | \theta) - \log p(\theta)$

Approx.: $\hat{k} \in \arg \min_k -\log p(X | \hat{\theta}) + \frac{k'}{2} \log n$

7.1.2 Bayesian Information Crit. (BIC)

Parametrise likelihood $p(X | M)$ by θ :

$$p(X | M) = \int_{\Theta_M} \exp(\log p(X | M, \theta)) \cdot p(\theta | M) d\theta$$

Assume flat prior $p(\theta | M) \approx \text{const}$ and

expand log-likelihood by ML estimator $\hat{\theta}$:

$$\bar{\ell}(\theta) = \frac{\ell(\theta)}{n} = \frac{1}{n} \log p(X | M, \theta) \stackrel{\text{i.i.d.}}{=} \frac{1}{n} \sum_i \ell(\theta, X_i) \stackrel{\text{Taylor}}{\approx} \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow p(X | M) = \text{const}_2 \cdot \exp\left(\ell(\hat{\theta}) - \frac{k'}{2} \log n\right)$$

where k' : dimension of (trainable) parameters

8 Model Validation

8.1 Stability-based Validation

Stability: Solutions on two data sets drawn from the same source should be similar.

8.2 Information-theoretic Validation

8.2.1 Shannon's Channel Coding Thm.

• **Channel:** $(\mathcal{S}, \{p(\cdot | s)\}_{s \in \mathcal{S}})$, \mathcal{S} : alphabet

◦ ϵ -noisy binary channel: $p(\hat{s} | s) = \begin{cases} 1-\epsilon & \text{if } \hat{s}=s \\ \epsilon & \text{if } \hat{s} \neq s \end{cases}$

• **Capacity:** $\text{cap} = \max_p I(S; \hat{S}) \rightsquigarrow p_S(s)$

• **(M, n)-code:** is a pair (Enc, Dec) ← scr. p.87

where M : #messages, n : code-length

◦ **Rate:** $r = \frac{\log_2 M}{n} \Leftrightarrow M = \lfloor 2^{nr} \rfloor$

◦ **Commu. err.:** $p_{\text{err}} := \max_{i \leq M} \mathbb{P}(\text{Dec}(\widehat{\text{Enc}(i)}) \neq i)$

Goal / **Best code:** $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log M}{n} \text{ s.t. } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_{\text{err}} \rightarrow 0$

8.2.2 Algorithm Validation

Assumptions:

• Exponential solution space, i.e. $\log |\mathcal{C}| = \mathcal{O}(n)$

• \mathcal{A} 's output is probabilistic, i.e. $p(\cdot | X')$

Ideal variant:

Messages: $\mathcal{M} = \{X'_1, \dots, X'_m\}$

Code: $X'_i \xrightarrow{\text{Enc}_{\mathcal{A}}} p(\cdot | X'_i) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{A}}} p(\cdot | X''_i) \xrightarrow{\text{Dec}_{\mathcal{A}}} \hat{X}$

Empirical variant:

Messages: $\mathcal{M} = \{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_m\}$ drawn u.a.r. from \mathbb{T}

• Require $\sum_{\tau} p(c | \tau \circ X') \approx \frac{|\mathbb{T}|}{|\mathcal{C}|} \pm \rho$ ← scr. p.95

Code: $\tau_i \xrightarrow{\text{Enc}} p(\cdot | \tau_i \circ X') \xrightarrow{\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{A}}} p(\cdot | \tau_i \circ X'') \xrightarrow{\text{Dec}} \hat{\tau}$

• $\text{Enc}_{\mathcal{A}}$: encodes $\tau_i \in \mathcal{M}$ as $p(\cdot | \tau_i \circ X')$

• $\text{Dec}_{\mathcal{A}}$: selects $\hat{\tau} = \arg \max_{\tau} \kappa(\tau_i \circ X'', \tau \circ X')$

whereby $\kappa(X'', X') := \sum_c p(c | X'') p(c | X')$

Approximate Sorting: $R^{\text{Sort}}(\pi | \mathbf{X}) = \sum_{i,j} x_{ij} \mathbb{I}_{\{\pi_i > \pi_j\}}$

Approx. cap.: $\max_{\beta} \mathcal{I} = \frac{1}{n} \log |\mathcal{T}| +$

$$\max_{\beta} \left\{ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i \leq n} \log \sum_{k \leq n} \exp(-\beta(\mathcal{E}_{ik}^{(1)} + \mathcal{E}_{ik}^{(1)})) \right.$$

$$\left. - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i \leq n} \log(\sum_{k \leq n} \exp(-\beta \mathcal{E}_{ik}^{(1)}) \sum_{k' \leq n} \exp(-\beta \mathcal{E}_{ij}^{(2)})) \right\}$$

$$R^{\text{mfs}}(M | \mathcal{E}) = \sum_{i \leq n} \sum_{k \leq n} M_{ik} \mathcal{E}_{ik} + \sum_{k \leq n} \mu_k (\sum_{i \leq n} M_{ik} - 1)$$

$$q_{ik} = \frac{\exp(-\beta(\mathcal{E}_{ik} + \mu_k))}{\sum_{k'} \exp(-\beta(\mathcal{E}_{ik'} + \mu_{k'}))}, \quad \mathcal{E}_{ik} = \mathbb{E}_{Q_{i \rightarrow k}}[R^{\text{Sort}}]$$

8.3 Applications of PA

PA: quantifies the amount of information that algorithms extract from phenomena. → quantified by **capacity** (max. # distinguishable messages that can be communicated)

Temperature: $T^* = \arg \max_T \kappa(X', X'')$

Cost functions: Given $R_1(\cdot, \cdot), \dots, R_s(\cdot, \cdot)$

$$\max_{\ell \leq s} \kappa_{\ell}(X', X'') = \max_{\ell \leq s} \frac{1}{Z_{X'} Z_{X''}} \sum_c e^{-\frac{1}{T} R_{\ell}(c, X')} e^{-\frac{1}{T} R_{\ell}(c, X'')}$$

Algorithms: Many MST (min. spanning tree) algo's are **contractive** (→ sequence of candidate sol's).

Approximation Set Coding (ASC):

$$p^{\text{ASC}}(c | X') = \begin{cases} 1/|G_{\gamma}(X')| & \text{if } c \in G_{\gamma}(X') \\ 0 & \text{otw.} \end{cases}$$

$$G_{\gamma}(X') := \left\{ c \in \mathcal{C} : R(c, X') - \min_{c \in \mathcal{C}} R(c, X') \leq \gamma \right\}$$

1. Run \mathcal{A} to compute $G_t^{\mathcal{A}}(X')$ and $G_t^{\mathcal{A}}(X'')$, for all t

2. $t^* = \arg \max_t \kappa(X', X'') = \arg \max_t \frac{|G_t^{\mathcal{A}}(X') \cap G_t^{\mathcal{A}}(X'')|}{|G_t^{\mathcal{A}}(X')| \cdot |G_t^{\mathcal{A}}(X'')|}$

3. $c^* \xleftarrow{\$ \text{sample}} \text{Unif}(G_{t^*}^{\mathcal{A}}(X') \cap G_{t^*}^{\mathcal{A}}(X''))$

9 Appendix

9.1 Tips and Tricks

Complete the square:

If $p(\mathbf{x}) \propto \exp(-\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^{\top} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{x}^{\top} \mathbf{b})$,

then $p(\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{A}^{-1})$

Constrained optimisation:

primal: $\min_{\mathbf{x}} f(\mathbf{x}) \text{ s.t. } g_i(\mathbf{x}) = 0; h_j(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0$

Lagrangian: with each $\alpha_j \geq 0$

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}, \lambda, \alpha) = f(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_i \lambda_i g_i(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_j \alpha_j h_j(\mathbf{x})$$

Solve: $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = 0; g_i(\mathbf{x}) = 0; \alpha_j \geq 0; h_j(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0$

Euler-Lagrange: Find extrema of functional $\mathcal{F}[f] =$

$$\int G(x, f(x), f'(x)) dx, \text{ thus } \frac{\partial \mathcal{F}}{\partial f} \stackrel{!}{=} 0.$$

If G is twice diff'able, then

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{F}}{\partial f} = \frac{\partial G}{\partial f(x)} - \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial f'(x)} \right) \stackrel{(*)}{=} \frac{\partial G}{\partial f(x)}.$$

9.2 Approximations

Laplace Approximation: $\frac{df}{dx} \Big|_{x_0} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{Cf(x)} dx \approx \sqrt{2\pi C} \cdot |f''(x_0)| \cdot e^{Cf(x_0)}$$

Hyperbolic Functions:

$$\sinh(x) = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2}, \quad \frac{d}{dx} \sinh(x) = \cosh(x)$$

$$\cosh(x) = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2}, \quad \frac{d}{dx} \cosh(x) = \sinh(x)$$

$$\tanh(x) = \frac{\sinh(x)}{\cosh(x)} = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}}, \quad \cosh^2(x) + \sinh^2(x) = 1$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \tanh(x) = 1 - \tanh^2(x) = \frac{1}{\cosh^2(x)} = \text{sech}^2(x)$$