

E-step / Compute cluster assignment

Compute “expected” classes \rightarrow set most likely class

$$p(y = i | x^j; \theta_t) = \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \|x^j - \mu_i\|_2^2 \right) \quad \rightarrow \quad a^i = \arg \min_j \text{dist}(x^i, c^j)$$

$\text{dist}(x, x') = \|x - x'\|_2^2$

M-step / Recompute cluster mean

Compute most likely new μ s \rightarrow averages over hard assignments

$$\mu_i = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^m p(y = i | x^j; \theta_t) x^j}{\sum_{j=1}^m p(y = i | x^j; \theta_t)} \quad \rightarrow \quad c^i = \frac{1}{|\{j | a^j = i\}|} \sum_{\{j | a^j = i\}} x^j$$

With hard assignments and unit variance, EM is equivalent to k-means clustering algorithm!!!