

**Homework 2**

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3.1 (a) i. First, it's obvious that we can just focus on the part:  
 $\sum_{x \in C_j} \|x - \mu_j\|^2$  and  $\frac{1}{2|C_j|} \sum_{x, x' \in C_j} \|x - x'\|^2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{x \in C_j} \|x - \mu_j\|^2 &= \sum_{x \in C_j} (\|x\|^2 - 2x^T \mu_j + \|\mu_j\|^2) \\ &= \sum_{x \in C_j} \|x\|^2 - \frac{2}{|C_j|} \sum_{x \in C_j} x^T \sum_{x' \in C_j} x' + \frac{1}{|C_j|^2} \sum_{x \in C_j} \sum_{x' \in C_j} x'^T \sum_{x'' \in C_j} x'' \\ &= \sum_{x \in C_j} \|x\|^2 - \frac{2}{|C_j|} \sum_{x, x' \in C_j} x^T x' + \frac{|C_j|}{|C_j|^2} \sum_{x, x' \in C_j} x^T x' \\ &= \sum_{x \in C_j} \|x\|^2 - \frac{1}{|C_j|} \sum_{x, x' \in C_j} x^T x' \\ \frac{1}{2|C_j|} \sum_{x, x' \in C_j} \|x - x'\|^2 &= \frac{1}{2|C_j|} \sum_{x, x' \in C_j} (\|x\|^2 - 2x^T x' + \|x'\|^2) \\ &= \frac{1}{|C_j|} \sum_{x, x' \in C_j} \|x\|^2 - \frac{1}{|C_j|} \sum_{x, x' \in C_j} x^T x' \\ &= \sum_{x \in C_j} \|x\|^2 - \frac{1}{|C_j|} \sum_{x, x' \in C_j} x^T x' \end{aligned}$$

So they are equivalent.

ii. Because of i, we could know:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^k \sum_{x \in C_j} \|x - \mu_j\|^2 &= \sum_{j=1}^k \sum_{x \in C_j} \left( \|x\|^2 - \frac{1}{|C_j|} \sum_{x, x' \in C_j} x^T x' \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m \|x\|^2 - \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{|C_j|} \sum_{x, x' \in C_j} x^T x' \\ &= A - \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{|C_j|} \sum_{x, x' \in C_j} x^T x' \end{aligned}$$

Where  $A = \sum_{i=1}^m \|x\|^2$  is a constant.

So

$$\operatorname{argmin}_C (A - \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{|C_j|} \sum_{x,x' \in C_j} x^T x') = \operatorname{argmax}_c (\sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{|C_j|} \sum_{x,x' \in C_j} x^T x')$$

First, let's just focus on the  $\sum_{j=1}^k |C_i| |C_j| \|\mu_i - \mu_j\|^2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^k |C_i| |C_j| \|\mu_i - \mu_j\|^2 &= |C_i| \sum_{j=1}^k |C_j| (\|\mu_i\|^2 - 2\mu_i^T \mu_j + \|\mu_j\|^2) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^k \left( \frac{|C_j|}{|C_i|} \sum_{x,x' \in C_i} x^T x' - 2 \sum_{x \in C_i, x' \in C_j} x^T x' + \frac{|C_i|}{|C_j|} \sum_{x,x' \in C_j} x^T x' \right) \end{aligned}$$

Then, combine the whole fomulation:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^k |C_i| |C_j| \|\mu_i - \mu_j\|^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^k \left( \frac{|C_j|}{|C_i|} \sum_{x,x' \in C_i} x^T x' + \frac{|C_i|}{|C_j|} \sum_{x,x' \in C_j} x^T x' - 2 \sum_{x \in C_i, x' \in C_j} x^T x' \right) \\ &= 2 \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^k \left( \frac{|C_j|}{|C_i|} \sum_{x,x' \in C_i} x^T x' - \sum_{x \in C_i, x' \in C_j} x^T x' \right) \\ &= 2 \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{m}{|C_i|} \sum_{x,x' \in C_i} x^T x' - 2 \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^k \sum_{x \in C_i, x' \in C_j} x^T x' \\ &= 2 \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{m + |C_i|}{|C_i|} \sum_{x,x' \in C_i} x^T x' - 2 \left( \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^k \sum_{x \in C_i, x' \in C_j} x^T x' + \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{x,x' \in C_i} x^T x' \right) \\ &= 2 \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{m + |C_i|}{|C_i|} \sum_{x,x' \in C_i} x^T x' - A \\ &= 2 \sum_{i=1}^k \left( \frac{m}{|C_i|} + 1 \right) \sum_{x,x' \in C_i} x^T x' - A \end{aligned}$$

Where A is a constant, it's equal to all the pair's product in X. Now I have some trouble to eliminate '1'. It's a little embarrassing. I am not sure which step is wrong, or I can't proof it in this way.

I also see something about the law of total variance could help to prove it. But I am not very clear about it, so I won't write down.

(b) i. If the algorithm has converged, then the  $\mu$  would be never change, so it's obvious that the distortion will increase.

The distortion could be compute at two states. First, from x we got  $\mu$ , compute  $J$ , then, we reassign the clusters, compute  $J$ .

It's obvious that in the second state, the  $J$  will not increase, because:

$$J(\{c^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^m, \{\mu_j\}_{j=1}^k) = \sum_{i=1}^m \|x^{(i)} - \mu_{c^{(i)}}\|^2$$

And the x is reassigned to the closest  $\mu_j$ , which

means:  $\|x^{(i)} - \mu'_{c^{(i)}}\|^2 \leq \|x^{(i)} - \mu_{c^{(i)}}\|^2$ . Each term will not increase, so the distortion will also not increase.

Then what we want to prove is:

$$\operatorname{argmin}_p \sum_{x \in C_j} \|x - p\|^2 = \mu_j$$

Assume  $l(p) = \sum_{x \in C_j} \|x - p\|^2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial l}{\partial p} &= \frac{\partial \sum_{x \in C_j} (\|x\|^2 - 2x^T p + \|p\|^2)}{\partial p} \\ &= \sum_{x \in C_j} 2(p - x) \\ &= 2|C_j|p - 2 \sum_{x \in C_j} x \end{aligned}$$

Then let  $\frac{\partial l}{\partial p} = 0$ , we could get:

$$p = \frac{1}{|C_j|} \sum_{x \in C_j} x = \mu_j$$

This means J will not increase in the first state.

The Lloyd's algorithm just iterates the two steps, so the distortion will not increase.

ii. It will always converge. First, the distortion J have the lower bound:  $J \geq 0$ . If we consider the value of J computed from each iteration as a sequence, we know that Monotonous bounded sequence has a convergence. From i, we know that this sequence is monotonous, which means this algorithm will converge.

3.2 (a) i.

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_T \operatorname{Cov}(x) \mu &= \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1 & \mu_2 & \cdots & \mu_d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \operatorname{Cov}(x_1, x_1) & \operatorname{Cov}(x_1, x_2) & \cdots & \operatorname{Cov}(x_1, x_d) \\ \operatorname{Cov}(x_2, x_1) & \operatorname{Cov}(x_2, x_2) & \cdots & \operatorname{Cov}(x_2, x_d) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \operatorname{Cov}(x_d, x_1) & \operatorname{Cov}(x_d, x_2) & \cdots & \operatorname{Cov}(x_d, x_d) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \\ \vdots \\ \mu_d \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1 & \mu_2 & \cdots & \mu_d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} D(x_1) & \operatorname{Cov}(x_1, x_2) & \cdots & \operatorname{Cov}(x_1, x_d) \\ \operatorname{Cov}(x_2, x_1) & D(x_2) & \cdots & \operatorname{Cov}(x_2, x_d) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \operatorname{Cov}(x_d, x_1) & \operatorname{Cov}(x_d, x_2) & \cdots & D(x_d) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \\ \vdots \\ \mu_d \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^d \mu_i^2 D(x_i) + \sum_{i=1}^{d-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^d 2\mu_i \mu_j \operatorname{Cov}(x_i, x_j) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^d D(\mu_i x_i) + \sum_{i=1}^{d-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^d 2 \operatorname{Cov}(\mu_i x_i, \mu_j x_j) \\ &= D(\mu_1 x_1 + \mu_2 x_2 + \cdots + \mu_d x_d) \\ &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

We could do this because:

$$D(x) + D(y) + 2 \text{Cov}(x, y) = D(x + y), \text{Cov}(x, z) + \text{Cov}(y, z) = \text{Cov}(x + y, z)$$

So:

$$\begin{aligned} D(x) + D(y) + D(z) + 2 \text{Cov}(x, y) + 2 \text{Cov}(x, z) + 2 \text{Cov}(y, z) \\ = D(x + y) + D(z) + 2 \text{Cov}(x, z) + 2 \text{Cov}(y, z) \\ = D(x + y) + D(z) + 2 \text{Cov}(x + y, z) \\ = D(x + y + z) \end{aligned}$$

In the same way, we could increase 3 variables to n variables, so until now I finish the proof.

ii. From i, we could get:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr}(\text{Cov}(x)) &= \sum_{i=1}^d D(x_i) \\ \mathbb{E}[\|x - \mathbb{E}[x]\|^2] &= \mathbb{E}[(x_1 - \mathbb{E}[x_1])^2 + \dots + (x_d - \mathbb{E}[x_d])^2] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^d \mathbb{E}[(x_i - \mathbb{E}[x_i])^2] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^d D(x_i) \end{aligned}$$

So, we get that  $\text{tr}(\text{Cov}(x)) = \mathbb{E}[\|x - \mathbb{E}[x]\|^2]$ .

(b) If we want the  $\hat{C}$  is non-singular, where  $\hat{C}$  is a  $d \times d$  matrix. The intuition is that  $m \geq d$ .

And the intuition is true. Because the rank of the matrix  $\hat{C}$  is limited by the rank of  $X$ , where

$$X_{m \times d} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^T \\ x_2^T \\ \vdots \\ x_m^T \end{bmatrix}.$$

So we could see:  $r(X) \leq \min(m, d)$ . So we could get that  $m \geq d$ .