

## Solutions to 5106 HW6

### 1. Solution:

Let  $X = (x_1, \dots, x_4) \stackrel{d}{=} \text{Mult}(n; 0.25\theta, 0.25(2 + \theta), 0.5(1 - 2\theta), 0.5\theta)$ .

Suppose that  $x_2 = y_1 + y_2$ , where  $(y_1, y_2) \stackrel{d}{=} \text{Bin}(x_2; \frac{2}{2+\theta}, \frac{\theta}{2+\theta})$ .

Then, the likelihood function of  $X$  is given by

$$f(X|\theta) = \binom{n}{x_1, y_1, y_2, x_3, x_4} (0.25\theta)^{x_1} 0.5^{y_1} (0.25\theta)^{y_2} (0.5(1 - 2\theta))^{x_3} (0.5\theta)^{x_4}$$

And the log-likelihood function is given by

$$\begin{aligned} l(X|\theta) &= \ln \binom{n}{x_1, y_1, y_2, x_3, x_4} + x_1 \ln(0.25\theta) + y_1 \ln(0.5) + y_2 \ln(0.25\theta) + x_3 \ln(0.5(1 - 2\theta)) + x_4 \ln(0.5\theta) \\ &= (x_1 + y_2 + x_4) \ln(\theta) + x_3 \ln(1 - 2\theta) + C \end{aligned}$$

### E step:

Let  $Q(\theta|\theta_k, x) = E_y(l(X|\theta)|\theta_k, x) = (x_1 + E_y(y_2|\theta_k, x) + x_4) \ln(\theta) + x_3 \ln(1 - 2\theta)$ .

Since  $y_2$  is a binomial distribution, its expected value is given by the following sum:

$$\begin{aligned} E_y(y_2|\theta_k, x) &= \sum_{y_2=0}^{x_2} y_2 \binom{x_2}{y_2} \left( \frac{2}{2 + \theta_k} \right)^{x_2 - y_2} \left( \frac{\theta_k}{2 + \theta_k} \right)^{y_2} \\ &= x_2 \left( \frac{\theta_k}{2 + \theta_k} \right) \sum_{y_2=1}^{x_2} \binom{x_2 - 1}{y_2 - 1} \left( \frac{2}{2 + \theta_k} \right)^{x_2 - 1 - (y_2 - 1)} \left( \frac{\theta_k}{2 + \theta_k} \right)^{y_2 - 1} \\ &= x_2 \left( \frac{\theta_k}{2 + \theta_k} \right) \cdot 1 \end{aligned}$$

And we get  $Q(\theta|\theta_k, x) = \left( x_1 + x_2 \left( \frac{\theta_k}{2 + \theta_k} \right) + x_4 \right) \ln(\theta) + x_3 \ln(1 - 2\theta)$ .

### M step:

We are now concerned with finding the argument  $\theta \in (0, 0.5)$  that maximizes  $Q(\theta|\theta_k, x)$ . Notice first and second order conditions guarantee the existence of a maximizing argument:

Let  $a = x_1 + \frac{x_2\theta_k}{2+\theta_k} + x_4$ , so that  $Q(\theta|\theta_k, x) = a \ln(\theta) + x_3 \ln(1 - 2\theta)$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial Q}{\partial \theta} &= \frac{a}{\theta} - \frac{2x_3}{1 - \theta} = 0 \Rightarrow \theta = \theta_{k+1} := \frac{a}{a + 2x_3} = \frac{x_1 + \frac{x_2\theta_k}{2+\theta_k} + x_4}{x_1 + \frac{x_2\theta_k}{2+\theta_k} + x_4 + 2x_3} \\ \frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial \theta^2} &= -\frac{a}{\theta^2} - \frac{4x_3}{(1 - \theta)^2} < 0 \end{aligned}$$

### Matlab Code:

```
1 x1 = 6; x2 = 52; x3 = 28; x4 = 14;
2 t=@(x)(x1+x2*x/(2+x)+x4)/(x1+x2*x/(2+x)+x4+2*x3);
3 eps = 10^(-6); theta = [0.25]; i = 1;
4 theta = [theta,t(theta(i))];
5 while(abs(theta(i+1)-theta(i))>eps)
6     theta = [theta,t(theta(i+1))];
7     i = i+1;
8 end
```

### Python Code:

```
1 import numpy as np
2 x1 = 6;x2 = 52;x3 = 28;x4 = 14;theta = {};theta[0] = 0.4;
3 t = lambda x: (x1+x2*x/(2+x)+x4)/(x1+x2*x/(2+x)+x4+2*x3);
4 eps = 10**(-6); i = 1; theta[1] = t(theta[0]);
5 while abs(theta[i]-theta[i-1])>eps:
6     theta[i+1] = t(theta[i]);
7     i += 1;
```

### Results:

Figure 1: MATLAB results for  $\theta_0 = 0.25$

```
>> theta'

ans =

    0.2500000000000000
    0.315217391304348
    0.325949367088608
    0.327626764244642
    0.327886792452830
    0.327927050195790
    0.327933281691736
    0.327934246235389
```

Figure 2: Python results for  $\theta_0 = 0.4$

```
In [6]: theta
Out[6]:
{0: 0.4,
 1: 0.33858267716535434,
 2: 0.3295711060948081,
 3: 0.3281874825630057,
 4: 0.32797358601991783,
 5: 0.32794048455930785,
 6: 0.3279353611231583,
 7: 0.327934568098935}
```

EM algorithm takes 7 steps to find an estimation of  $\theta$  from both a starting value of 0.25 and 0.4.

## 2.Solution:

a)

Data-set hw6\_\_2\_data1 (Figure 3) shows two disjoint bell shaped distributions. It appears the left distribution corresponds to 33% of the sample, its centered at 0 and has a standard deviation of 1. The right one would correspond to 66% of the sample, appears to be centered at 5 and has a standard deviation of 0.5.

On the other hand, data-set hw6\_\_2\_data2 (Figure 4) doesn't show two bell shaped distributions as clearly as the previous data-set. If there were two distributions superimposed to each other, the left distribution would correspond roughly to 15% of the sample, it would be centered at 0 and would have a standard deviation of 0.5. The right one would correspond to 85% of the sample, it would be centered at 3 and it would have a standard deviation of 1.

Figure 3: Histogram for hw6\_\_2\_data1

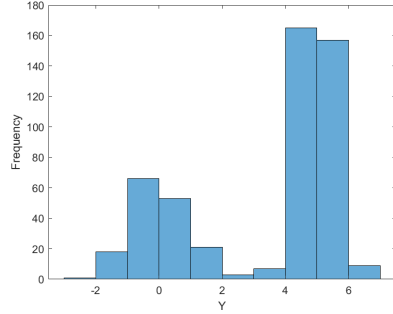
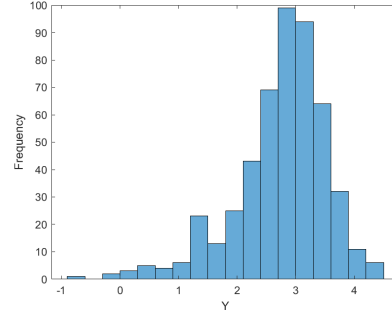


Figure 4: Histogram for hw6\_\_2\_data2



b)

Using the previous guesses as initial values, the EM algorithm appeared to converge after two iterations for data-set hw6\_\_2\_data1 (judging by stability in the log-likelihood evolution). The results were:

$$(\alpha_1, \mu_1, \sigma_1, \alpha_2, \mu_2, \sigma_2) = (0.3241, 0.0269, 0.9195, 0.6759, 4.9724, 0.5178)$$

As for data-set hw6\_\_2\_data2, EM algorithm appeared to converge after 30 iterations (judging by stability in the log-likelihood evolution). The results were

$$(\alpha_1, \mu_1, \sigma_1, \alpha_2, \mu_2, \sigma_2) = (0.0508, 0.7017, 0.5923, 0.9492, 2.8661, 0.6359)$$

c)

The next figures show how stability in the EM algorithm was achieved after a few iterations.

Figure 5: Histogram for hw6\_\_2\_data1

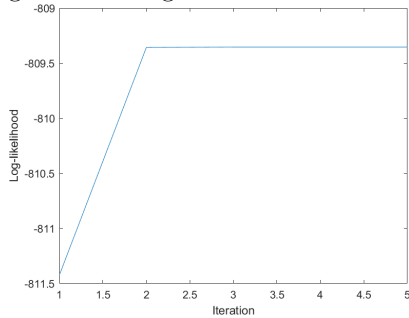
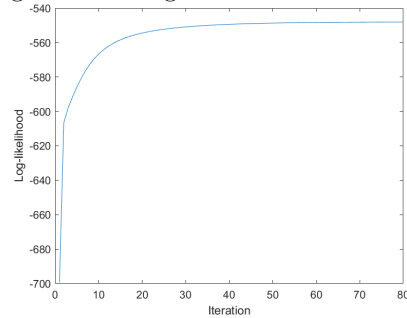


Figure 6: Histogram for hw6\_\_2\_data2



### Matlab Code:

```
1 load hw6_2_data1 %load hw6_2_data1
2 a1 = [0.3]; a2 = [1-a1]; %a1 = [0.15]; a2 = [1-a1];
3 mu1 = [0]; mu2 = [5]; % mu1 = [0]; mu2 = [3];
4 s1 = [1]; s2 = [0.5]; % s1 = [0.5]; s2 = [1];
5 lf = [];
6 for i = 1:5
7     f1 = normpdf(Y,mu1(i),s1(i));
8     f2 = normpdf(Y,mu2(i),s2(i));
9     p1 = a1(i)*f1./(a1(i)*f1+a2(i)*f2);
10    p2 = a2(i)*f2./(a1(i)*f1+a2(i)*f2);
11    lf = [lf,sum(log(a1(1)*f1+a2(1)*f2))];
12    a1 = [a1,mean(p1)]; a2 = [a2,mean(p2)];
13    mu1 = [mu1,sum(Y.*p1)/sum(p1)];
14    mu2 = [mu2,sum(Y.*p2)/sum(p2)];
15    s1=[s1,sqrt(sum(p1.*(Y-mu1(i)).*(Y-mu1(i)))/sum(p1))];
16    s2=[s2,sqrt(sum(p2.*(Y-mu2(i)).*(Y-mu2(i)))/sum(p2))];
17 end
18 histogram(Y); xlabel('Y'); ylabel('Frequency');
19 plot(lf); xlabel('Iteration'); ylabel('Log-likelihood');
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