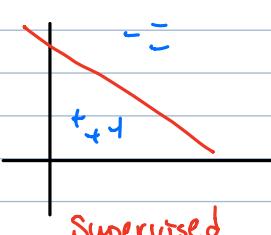
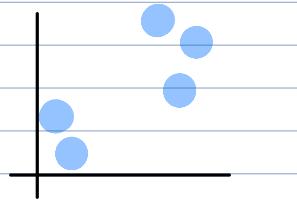


# Unsupervised Learning



- K-means
- Mixture of Gaussians
- EM



Unsupervised

## K-means

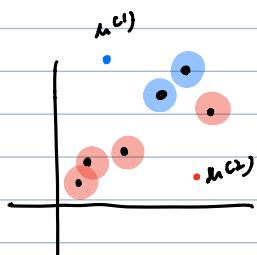
Given  $x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(n)}$   $\in \mathbb{R}^d$  points  
 $K$  is the number of clusters

Do Find an assignment of  $x^{(i)}$  to  $j$  clusters, for  $j=1\dots k$   
 $c^{(i)} = j$  "Point  $i$  is to cluster  $j$ "

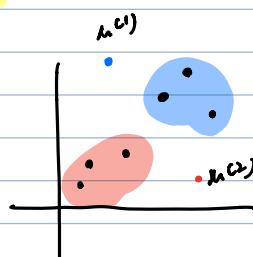
How do we find these clusters?

$\mu^{(1)}$ : Blue cluster center

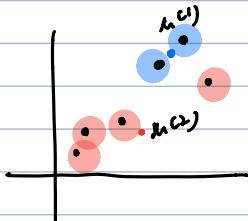
$\mu^{(2)}$ : Red cluster center



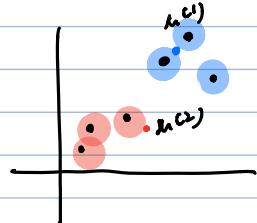
Assign each point to its nearest cluster centroid.



Recompute centroids



Assign points again. Converge!



Terminates till no point changes.

## Algo

Repeat  
until  
no  
changes

- Randomly Init  $x^{(1)}, x^{(2)} \dots x^{(k)}$

- 2. Assign each point to a cluster center

$$c^{(i)} = \operatorname{argmin}_j \|x^{(i)} - \mu_j\|^2$$

- 3. Compute new cluster centers

$$\mu^{(j)} = \frac{1}{|\Omega_j|} \sum_{i \in \Omega_j} x^{(i)}$$

$$\Omega_j = \{i : c^{(i)} = j\}$$

## Comments

- ① Does this terminates? Yes!  $J(C, \mu) = \sum_{i=1}^n \|x^{(i)} - \mu^{(i)}\|^2$

Monotonic decreasing

- ② Is it globally optimal? Not necessary (NP-hard)

## K-Means ++ (By Stanford Alumn 2007)

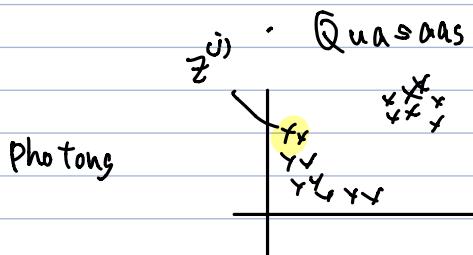
- Clever init!
- Default in sklearn

Check CS246-clustering slides

How do we choose k? No one right answer.

## Mixture of Gaussians

### Toy Astronomy Example (Based on real one example)



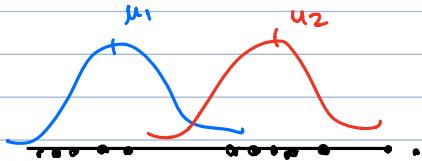
Goal: Assign  $P(z^{(i)} = j)$   
Probability of Point  $z^{(i)}$  came from source  $j$

Mixture model is K-means with soft assignments

## Assume

- Sources are Gaussian like ( $\mu_j, \sigma_j^2$ )
- We do not assume equal # of points for each source (unknown mixture of points)

## Mixture of Gaussians : Model setup (1d)



This is what we observe.

Observation 1.: If we knew which points came from each Gaussian

→ compute  $\mu^{(c_i)}, \sigma^2_{c_i}$

Challenge: we don't see that!

Given:  $x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(n)} \in \mathbb{R}^d$  And  $k > 0$

Def:  $z^{(c_i)} = j$  " $x^{(c_i)}$  comes from source  $j$ "  
 $P(z^{(c_i)} = j)$

Model

$$P(x^{(c_i)}, z^{(c_i)}) = P(x^{(c_i)} | z^{(c_i)}) P(z^{(c_i)})$$

$$z^{(c_i)} \sim \text{multinomial}(\phi)$$

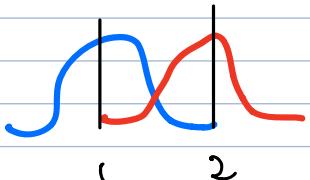
$$\sum_k \phi_k = 1 \quad \phi_k \geq 0$$

$$x^{(c_i)} | z^{(c_i)} = j \sim N(\mu_j, \sigma_j^2)$$

parameters

We call  $z^{(c_i)}$  a hidden or latent variable

$z^{(c_i)}$  is not directly observed



$$\phi_1 = 0.9 \quad \phi_2 = 0.1$$

$$\mu^{(c_1)} = 1 \quad \mu^{(c_2)} = 2 \quad \sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2 = 1$$

> Recover these parameters

GMM Algorithm (mirror k-means)

① (E-step) "Guess" latent values of  $z^{(c_i)}$  (For each point)

② (M-Step) Update the variables of the model

$$\phi_{j|x^{(c_i)}=j} = \frac{\phi_j \mu_j}{\mu_j + \sigma_j^2} \cdot P(z^{(c_i)}=j, \phi_j, \mu_j, \sigma_j^2)$$

## E-Step

Given: Data & current parameters  $x^{(i)}, \phi, \mu, \sigma^2$

Do: Predict the latent variable  $z_j^{(i)}$

$$w_j^{(i)} = P(z_j^{(i)} = j | x^{(i)}; \phi, \mu, \sigma^2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{How likely } x^{(i)} \text{ in cluster } j &= \frac{P(z_j^{(i)} = j, x^{(i)}; \phi, \mu, \sigma^2)}{P(x^{(i)}; \phi, \mu, \sigma^2)} \\ \exp\left(\frac{-(x^{(i)} - \mu_j)^2}{\sigma^2}\right) &= \frac{P(x^{(i)} | z_j^{(i)} = j; \sigma^2, \mu) P(z_j^{(i)} = j; \phi)}{\sum_l P(x^{(i)} | z_l^{(i)} = l; \sigma^2, \mu_l) P(z_l^{(i)} = l; \phi)} \end{aligned}$$

Bayes Rule

$\phi_j$

$\phi_l$ .

∴ We can compute easy one of these elements

## M-Step

Given  $w_j^{(i)} = P(z_j^{(i)} = j)$  for all  $i = 1 \dots n, j = 1 \dots k$

Do: Estimate all parameters using MLE

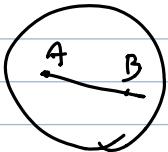
$$\text{e.g. } \phi_j = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^n w_j^{(i)} \approx \text{"fraction of elements in cluster } j\text{"}$$

$$\mu_j = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_j^{(i)} x^{(i)}}{\sum w_j^{(i)}} \quad \text{Soft cluster center}$$

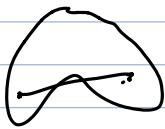
$$\sigma_j^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_j^{(i)} (x^{(i)} - \mu_j)^2}{\sum w_j^{(i)}} \quad (\text{Not sure})$$

Defn: Convexity

A set  $\Omega$  is convex if for any  $a, b \in \Omega$  the line joining  $a, b$  is entirely in  $\Omega$



Convex



Not Convex

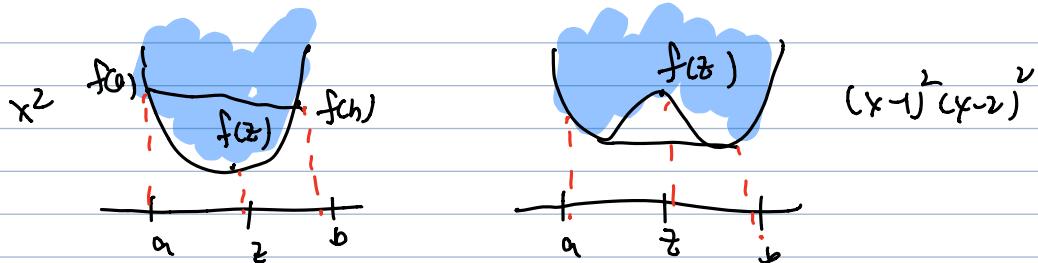
Symbols

$$\forall \lambda \in [0, 1], a, b \in \Omega$$

$$\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b \in \Omega$$

Given a function  $f$ , the graph of the function  $G_f$   
 $G_f = \{ (x, y) : y = f(x) \}$

A function is convex if its graph is convex (as a set)



Convex of functions  $\lambda(a, f(a)) + (1-\lambda)(b, f(b)) \in \mathcal{L}$

or

$$\text{let } z = \lambda a + (1-\lambda)b$$

$$f(a) + (1-\lambda)f(b) \geq f(z)$$

- If  $f$  is twice differentiable,  $f''(x) \geq 0 \Rightarrow$  Convex

- We say  $f$  is strictly convex if  $f''(x) > 0$

ex:  $f(x) = x^2 \quad f''(x) = 2 \Rightarrow$  Strictly convex

### Jensen's Inequality

$$\mathbb{E}[f(x)] \geq f(\mathbb{E}[x]) \text{ for convex}$$

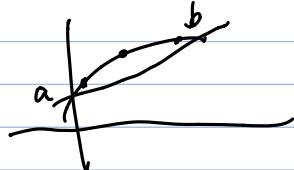
ex:  $x$  takes a w/ prob  $\lambda$   
      b w/ prob  $(1-\lambda)$

$$\mathbb{E}[f(x)] = \lambda f(a) + (1-\lambda)f(b)$$

$$f(\mathbb{E}[x]) = f(z), \quad z = \lambda a + (1-\lambda)b.$$

We need concave functions  $g$  is concave if  $-g$  is convex

$$\mathbb{E}[g(x)] \leq g(\mathbb{E}[x])$$



Recap:

1. K-means (Iterative Solution)