

CSCI 4022 Fall 2021

EM Wrapup; Itemsets

EM Wrapup Step 0: Initialize clusters and their means, variances, equal proportions.

Step 2: Maximization. For each component m ,

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$$\hat{w}_m = \frac{\hat{n}_m}{N} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N \hat{p}_{mi}}{N}$$

2.
$$\hat{\mu}_m = \frac{1}{\hat{n}_m} \sum_{i=1}^N \hat{p}_{mi} \cdot x_i$$

3.
$$\hat{\Sigma}_m = \frac{1}{\hat{n}_m} \sum_{i=1}^N \hat{p}_{mi} \cdot (x_i - \hat{\mu}_m)(x_i - \hat{\mu}_m)^T$$

Step 3: Convergence check! Are things changing?

Announcements and To-Dos

Announcements:

1. HW 3 due **Wednesday**; missing code block:

Code addition

```
from sklearn.metrics.cluster import adjusted_rand_score
print(adjusted_rand_score([1, 0, 1], [0,1,0]))
# example that's actually the same assignments!
print(adjusted_rand_score([1, 0, 1], [0,0,1]))
# example: Rand score is negative if very different
```

2. HW 4 due next Monday.
3. Example code for covariance posted
4. Zach no OH tomorrow, 5p-6p tonight instead.
5. Min form comment: Go to DJ's office hours! Or e-mail him.

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2. Estimate whatever is inside Θ ... somehow (MLEs? OPTIM? Bootstrapping?)

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So the store can run a sale on diapers, and raise beer prices a little bit to get similar amounts of \$ per customer... but maybe more customers!

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Probably not!

1. Nothing about buying beer makes someone more likely to need diapers, beyond maybe an age group overlap
2. Upshot: be careful! Relationships can be asymmetric, and causality and correlation can be hard to parse!

Items for Breakfast

Another **example**:

Here's an example from a Wegman's grocery store.

- ▶ What's the *association rule*?
- ▶ Is there a clear *direction* of association?



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Examples: “frequently bought together” or “people who bought X also bought Y .”

Market Basket Analysis: Applications

baskets= sentences/ideas; **items**= documents containing those sentences.

- ▶ Items that appear frequently together might be another form of plagiarism
- ▶ Item's aren't "in" baskets, but this is consistent with our notions of document similarity

baskets= patients; **items**= drugs and their side-effect combinations

- ▶ Can detect *combinations* of drugs that lead to undesirable side-effects.
- ▶ Need to also represent the *absence* of an item, e.g. Patient 1 had *these* drugs and also *no* side effects



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Goal: Find the sets of items that occur *frequently* together.

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s is proportion:

10,000

~~$s = 300$~~

$s = 3\%$
.03



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Example Data:

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{avocados, bacon} ✗

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{avocados, bacon, tortilla chips, eggs} ✓

{chew toy, tortilla chips, eggs} ✗

So your man has a license...



But does he avocado?

Ex: Support of {bacon}? $\frac{3}{5}$

Ex: Support of {bacon, eggs}? $\frac{2}{5}$

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size 2: {mc, mb, cb, cj}

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m c 2 ✓ c p ✗ p b ✗ b j ✗ m b 2 ✓
m p ✗ c b 3 ✓ p j ✗
m b 4 ✓ c j 3 ✓
m j ✗

size 3:
 $\binom{4}{3} = 10$



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$$\binom{10,000}{5} \approx \frac{10^4 \cdot 10^4 \cdot 10^4 \cdot 10^4 \cdot 10^4}{5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}$$

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Solution:

1. Size 1: $\{\{m\}, \{c\}, \{b\}, \{j\}\}$. Not $\{p\}$.
2. Size 2: 10 possibilities! (Since that's 5 choose 2). In this case, $\{m, b\}, \{c, j\}$ and $\{c, b\}$ are both frequent.
3. Size 3: None... could we have known this already?

$$\approx 10^8 = 11$$



Association Rules

Definition: An *association rule* is an *if-then* rule about the contents of baskets. We denote

$$\{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k\} \rightarrow i_j$$

to represent “if a basket contains all of i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k , it is *likely* to contain j as well.”

In practice, there will of course be lots of rules, so we want to find the most significant ones. This requires a notion of *confidence*.

It also turns out that some rules, like $X \rightarrow \text{milk}$ will inevitably have high confidence for many itemsets X simply because milk is popular. Having many high-confidence associations isn't necessarily actionable, so we also want a measure of *interest*.



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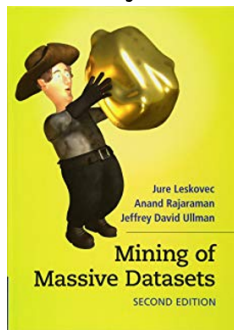
Coke is pretty popular, since it's in 5/8 baskets. So the rule that half of the milk+beer baskets also have coke is very uninteresting!

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