Scalable_K_means

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1 Background

K-means has been one the the most popular clustering algorithm. The method is used to divide the data set into k clusters. Starting from a set of randomly chosen initial points, the algorithm assign them to nearest centers and then updating new centers according to these new points. Thus, this is a iterative process. K-means method is popular and scalable due to its simple iterative nature. However, the running time is exponential in worst case and the final result may be local optimum, not global optimum.

To solve these problems, recent researches try to improving initial assignment. K-means++ is such an improved algorithm that finds proper initialization points. Downside of this algorithm is that it is still sequential process which total running time of O(nkd), which limits its efficiency in massive datasets cases.

The paper Scalable k-means++ proposes a parallel version of the k-means++ algorithm that has total running time O(logn). In this project, I will implement this algorithm that is called k-means||. The algorithm achieves higher efficiency through lowering number of iterations needed for convergence and selecting more than one point in each iteration.

2 Implementation

2.1 Notations

Let $X = \{x_1, ...x_n\}$ be the set of points in d-dimensional Euclidean space and let k be a positive integer specifying the number of clusters. Let $||x_i - x_j||$ denote the Euclidean distance between x_i and x_j . For a point x and a subset $Y \subseteq X$ of points, the distance is defined as $d(x,Y) = min_{y \in Y}||x-y||$. For a subset $Y \subseteq X$ of points, let its *centroid* be given by

$$\operatorname{centroid}(Y) = \frac{1}{|Y|} \sum_{y \in Y} y$$

Let $C = \{c_1, ... c_k\}$ be the set of points and let $Y \subseteq X$. We define the cost of Y with respect to C as

$$\phi_Y(C) = \sum_{y \in Y} d^2(y, C) = \sum_{y \in Y} \min_{i=1,\dots,k} ||y - c_i||^2$$

2.2 Psuedocode: k-means || (k, l) initialization

- 1. $C \leftarrow$ sample a point uniformly at random from X
- 2. $\psi \leftarrow \phi_X(C)$
- 3. for $O(\log \psi)$ times do
- $C' \leftarrow \text{sample each point } x \in X \text{ independently with probability } p_x = \frac{l \cdot d^2(x,C)}{\phi_X(C)}$
- $C \leftarrow C \cup C'$

- 4. end for
- 5. For $x \in C$, set w_x to be the number of points in X closer to x than any point in C
- 6. Recluster the weighted points in C into k clusters

2.3 Algorithm

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In [1]: import os
        import sys
        import glob
        import random
        import sklearn
        import sklearn.cluster
        import numpy as np
        import pandas as pd
        import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
        from __future__ import division
        %matplotlib inline
       plt.style.use('ggplot')
2.3.1 Naive Version
In [2]: def Cost(c, data):
            return np.sum([min(np.sum((c-pts)**2,axis=1)) for pts in data])
        def Prob(c,data,1):
            cost = Cost(c,data)
            return np.array([(min(np.sum((c-pts)**2,axis=1))) * 1 / cost for pts in data])
        def KMeansNaive(data, k, 1):
            N = len(data)
            # 1. Random sample a point
            C = np.array(data[np.random.choice(range(N),1),])
            # 2. Compute phi = cost
            phi = Cost(C, data)
            # 3-6. For loop
            for i in range(np.ceil(np.log(phi)).astype(int)):
                cPrime = data[Prob(C, data, 1) > np.random.uniform(size = N),]
                C = np.concatenate((C, cPrime))
            # 7. Compute weight
            closest = [np.argmin(np.sum((C-pts)**2,axis=1)) for pts in data];
            wx = [closest.count(i) for i in range(len(C))]
            weight = wx/np.sum(wx)
            # 8. Recluster
            newC = data[np.random.choice(range(len(C)), size=1, p=weight),]
            newdata = C
            for i in range(k-1):
                Probability = Prob(newC, newdata, 1) * weight
                newcPrime = data[np.random.choice(range(len(C)), size=1, p=Probability/np.sum(Probabili
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newC = np.concatenate((newC,newcPrime))

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# K-means with initial point chosen by k-means // algorithm
            KMeansPP = sklearn.cluster.KMeans(n_clusters=k, n_init=1, init=newC, max_iter=500, tol=0.00
            KMeansPP.fit(data);
            return KMeansPP
2.3.2 Vectorized Version
In [3]: def KMeansVector(data, k, 1):
            N = len(data)
            # 1. Random sample a point
            c = data[np.random.choice(range(data.shape[0]),1), :]
            tempdata = data[:,np.newaxis,:]
            # 2. Compute phi = cost
            phi = Cost(c, data)
            # 3-6. For loop
            for j in range(np.ceil(np.log(phi)).astype(int)):
                dist = (tempdata - c) ** 2
                distance = np.sum(dist, axis=2)
                closest = np.zeros(distance.shape)
                closest[range(distance.shape[0]), np.argmin(distance, axis=1)] = 1
                min_dist = distance[closest == 1]
                phi = np.sum(min_dist)
                # updating set of C
                for i, cPrime in enumerate(data):
                    Probability = l*min_dist[i]/phi
                    u = np.random.uniform(0,1)
                    if Probability >= u:
                        c = np.vstack([c, cPrime])
            # 7. Compute weight
            dist = (tempdata - c) ** 2
            distance = np.sum(dist, axis=2)
            closest = np.zeros(distance.shape)
            closest[range(distance.shape[0]), np.argmin(distance, axis=1)] = 1
            weight = np.array([np.count_nonzero(closest[:, i]) for i in range(c.shape[0])]).reshape(-1,
            # 8. Recluster
            newC = c[np.random.choice(range(c.shape[0]), 1), ]
            newdata = c
            # delete chosen center
            index = np.where(newdata==newC)[0]
            newdata = np.delete(newdata,index[0],axis=0)
            weight = np.delete(weight,index[0])
            for i in range(k-1):
                Probability = Prob(newC, newdata, 1) * weight
                prob = Probability / np.sum(Probability)
                # choose next centroid
                c = newdata[np.random.choice(range(newdata.shape[0]),size=1, p=prob),]
                index = np.where(newdata==c)[0]
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Finish k-means / initialization

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newC = np.vstack([newC, c])
  newdata = np.delete(newdata,index[0],axis=0)
  weight = np.delete(weight,index[0])
# Finish k-means | initialization

# K-means with initial point chosen by k-means | algorithm

KMeansPP = sklearn.cluster.KMeans(n_clusters=k, n_init=1, init=newC, max_iter=500, tol=0.00)

KMeansPP.fit(data);
return KMeansPP
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3 Application and Comparison

3.1 Generate data from 3 bivariate normal distribution

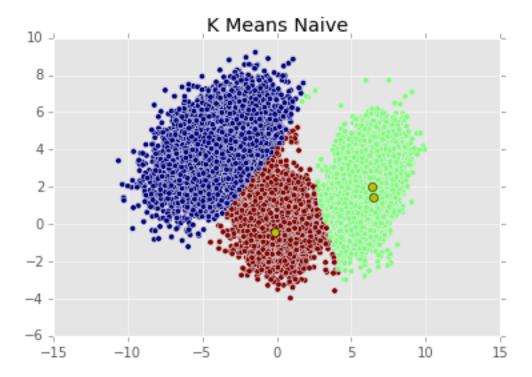
$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \sim N_2 \begin{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} \sim N_2 \begin{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0.5 \\ 0.5 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

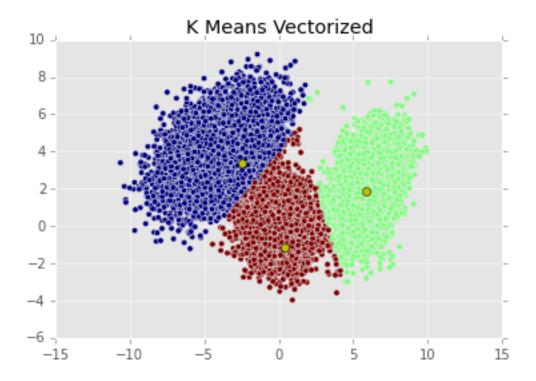
$$\begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{pmatrix} \sim N_2 \begin{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

3.2 Application

3.2.1 Naive version

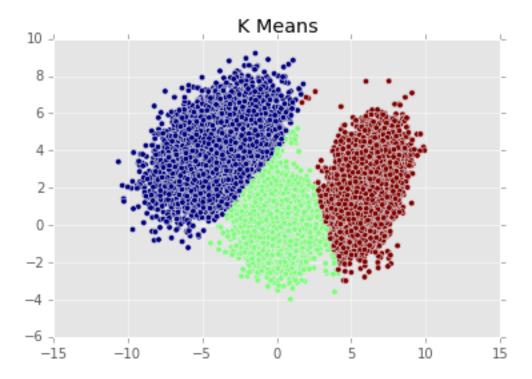


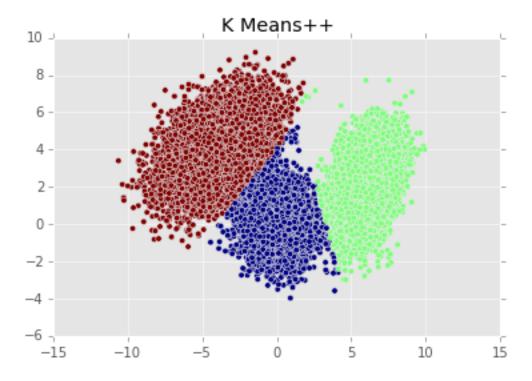
3.2.2 Vectorized Version



3.3 Comparison

3.3.1 Comparison with usual k-means





In [12]: %timeit KMeansPP.fit(dfdata)
1 loops, best of 3: 172 ms per loop

Given the same data set, initial settings, I campare the efficiency using diffrent algorithms.

Comparing the functions I wrote, vectorized version is significantly faster than naive version . However, both of them are much slower than sklearn.cluster.KMeans() function. I think if I can implement the functions in C and do more parallelization, the efficiency can be improved dramatically, since in theory, k-means|| has higher efficiency than either k-means++ or k-means.

For the package function sklearn.cluster.KMeans() with different initialization methods, k-means++ is clearly faster than starting with a random number.

4 Unit Code Tests

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def test_non_negativity():
             for i in range(10):
                 data = np.random.normal(size=(20,2))
                 c = data[np.random.choice(range(20),1),]
                 assert Cost(c, data) >= 0
         def test_coincidence_when_zero():
             data = np.random.normal(size=(20,2))
             c = data
             assert Cost(c, data) == 0
         def test_coincidence_when_not_zero():
              for i in range(10):
                 data = np.random.normal(size=(20,2))
                 c = data[np.random.choice(range(20),19),]
                 assert Cost(c, data) != 0
Overwriting test_costfunction.py
In [15]: %%file probability.py
         from costfunction import Cost
         import numpy as np
         def Prob(c,data,1):
             cost = Cost(c, data)
             return np.array([(min(np.sum((c-pts)**2,axis=1))) * 1 / cost for pts in data])
Overwriting probability.py
In [16]: %%file test_probability.py
         import numpy as np
         from numpy.testing import assert_almost_equal
         from costfunction import Cost
         from probability import Prob
         def test_non_negativity():
             for i in range(10):
                 data = np.random.normal(size=(20,2))
                 c = data[np.random.choice(range(20),1),]
                 assert np.alltrue(Prob(c, data, 1) >= 0)
         def test_sum():
             for i in range(10):
                 data = np.random.normal(size=(20,2))
                 c = data[np.random.choice(range(20),1),]
                 assert_almost_equal(np.sum(Prob(c, data, 1)),1)
Overwriting test_probability.py
In [17]: %%file mainfunc.py
         from __future__ import division
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         import glob
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Overwriting mainfunc.py
In [18]: %%file test_mainfunc.py
         import numpy as np
         from numpy.testing import assert_almost_equal
         from costfunction import Cost
         from probability import Prob
         from mainfunc import KMeansNaive
         def test_klevels():
             for i in range(10):
                 data = np.random.normal(size=(20,2))
                 k = 3
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import os

Unit tests for cost function contains 3 tests. The first one shows that cost must be non-negative. The latter two tests shows that cost = 0 if and only if c = data.

For probability function, I first test if all entries in the vector are non-negative. Then I test if the sum of probabilities is eual to 1.

For main function, I test the labels generated have correct clustering features: number of different labels = number of clusters, and number of total labels = number of data.

In []: