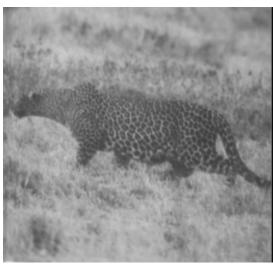
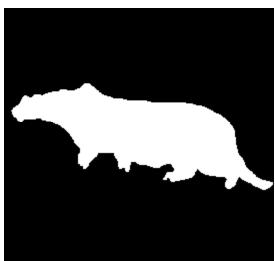
Expectation-Maximization

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Recall

- ▶ last class, we will have "Cheetah Day"
- what:
 - 4 teams, average of 6 people
 - each team will write a report on the 4 cheetah problems
 - each team will give a presentation on one of the problems
- ▶ I am waiting to hear on the teams





Plan for today

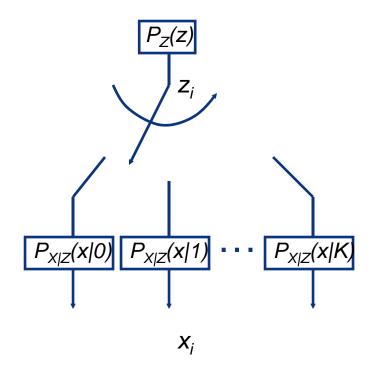
- we have been talking about mixture models
- ▶ last time we introduced the basics of EM
- ▶ today we study the application of EM for ML estimation of mixture parameters

- next class:
 - proof that EM maximizes likelihood of incomplete data

mixture model

- two types of random variables
 - Z hidden state variable
 - X observed variable
- observations sampled with a two-step procedure
 - a state (class) is sampled from the distribution of the hidden variable

$$P_{z}(z) \rightarrow z_{i}$$



 an observation is drawn from the class conditional density for the selected state

$$P_{X|Z}(x|z_i) \rightarrow x_i$$

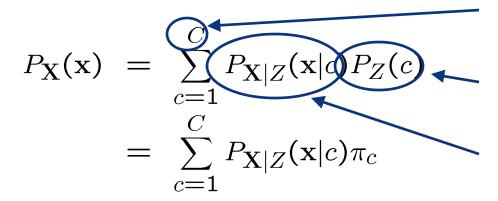
mixture model

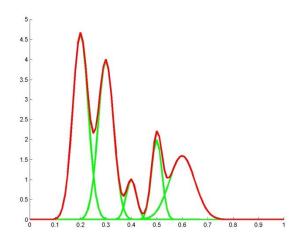
▶ the sample consists of pairs (x_i, z_i)

$$D = \{(x_1, z_1), \dots, (x_n, z_n)\}$$

but we never get to see the z_i

▶ the pdf of the observed data is





of mixture components

component "weight"

cth "mixture component"

The basics of EM

- ▶ as usual, we start from an iid sample $D = \{x_1, ..., x_N\}$
- lacktriangle goal is to find parameters Ψ^* that maximize likelihood with respect to D

$$\begin{split} \Psi^{\star} &= \arg\max_{\Psi} P_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathcal{D}; \Psi) \\ &= \arg\max_{\Psi} \int P_{\mathbf{X}|Z}(\mathcal{D}|z; \Psi) P_{Z}(z; \Psi) dz \end{split}$$

▶ the set

$$D_c = \{(x_1, z_1), \ldots, (x_N, z_N)\}$$

is called the complete data

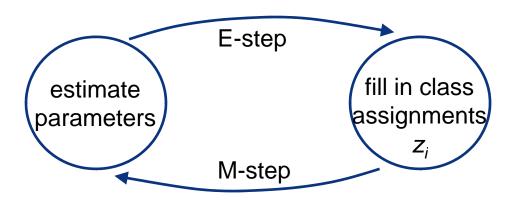
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Learning with incomplete data (EM)

- the basic idea is quite simple
 - 1. start with an initial parameter estimate $\mathcal{Y}^{(0)}$
 - **2. E-step:** given current parameters $\mathcal{Y}^{(i)}$ and observations in D, "guess" what the values of the z_i are
 - **3. M-step:** with the new z_i , we have a complete data problem, solve this problem for the parameters, i.e. compute $\mathcal{L}^{(i+1)}$
 - 4. go to 2.
- this can be summarized as



Classification-maximization

C-step:

- given estimates $\Psi^{(i)} = \{ \Psi^{(i)}_1, ..., \Psi^{(i)}_C \}$
- determine z_i by the BDR

$$z_l = \arg\max_c P_{\mathbf{X}|Z}\left(\mathbf{x}_l|c; \mathbf{\Psi}_c^{(i)}\right) \pi_c^{(i)}, l \in \{1, \dots, n\}$$

split the training set according to the labels z_i

$$D^1 = \{x_i | z_i = 1\}, \quad D^2 = \{x_i | z_i = 2\}, \quad \dots \quad , \quad D^C = \{x_i | z_i = C\}$$

M-step:

as before, determine the parameters of each class independently

$$\Psi_c^{(i+1)} = \arg \max_{\Psi, \pi} P_{\mathbf{X}|Z}(\mathcal{D}^c|c, \Psi)\pi$$

For Gaussian mixtures

► C-step:

•
$$z_l = \arg\max_c \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbf{x}_l - \mu_c^{(i)} \right)^T \left(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_c^{(i)} \right)^{-1} \left(\mathbf{x}_l - \mu_c^{(i)} \right) - \frac{1}{2} log \left| \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_c^{(i)} \right| + \log \pi_c^{(i)} \right\}, l \in \{1, \dots, n\}$$

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► M-step:

K-means

- when covariances are identity and priors uniform
- ► C-step:
 - $z_l = \arg\min_{c} ||\mathbf{x}_l \mu_c^{(i)}||^2, \quad l \in \{1, ..., n\}$
 - split the training set according to the labels z_i

$$D^1 = \{x_i | z_i = 1\}, \quad D^2 = \{x_i | z_i = 2\}, \quad \dots \quad , \quad D^C = \{x_i | z_i = C\}$$

► M-step:

•
$$\mu_c^{(i+1)} = \frac{1}{|\{\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathcal{D}^c\}|} \sum_{i | \mathbf{x}_i \in \mathcal{D}^c} \mathbf{x}_i$$

- this is the K-means algorithm, aka generalized Loyd algorithm, aka LBG algorithm in the vector quantization literature:
 - "assign points to the closest mean; recompute the means"

The Q function

▶ is defined as

$$Q(\Psi; \Psi^{(n)}) = E_{Z|\mathbf{X}; \Psi^{(n)}} \left[\log P_{\mathbf{X}, Z}(\mathcal{D}, \{z_1, \dots, z_N\}; \Psi) | \mathcal{D} \right]$$

- ▶ and is a bit tricky:
 - it is the expected value of likelihood with respect to complete data (joint X and Z)
 - given that we observed incomplete data (X=D)
 - note that the likelihood is a function of Ψ (the parameters that we want to determine)
 - but to compute the expected value we need to use the parameter values from the previous iteration (because we need a distribution for Z|X)
- ▶ the EM algorithm is, therefore, as follows

Expectation-maximization

► E-step:

- given estimates $\Psi^{(n)} = \{ \Psi^{(n)}_1, ..., \Psi^{(n)}_C \}$
- compute expected log-likelihood of complete data

$$Q(\Psi; \Psi^{(n)}) = E_{Z|\mathbf{X}; \Psi^{(n)}} \left[\log P_{\mathbf{X}, Z}(\mathcal{D}, \{z_1, \dots, z_N\}; \Psi) | \mathcal{D} \right]$$

► M-step:

find parameter set that maximizes this expected log-likelihood

$$\Psi^{(n+1)} = \arg \max_{\Psi} Q(\Psi; \Psi^{(n)})$$

let's make this more concrete by looking at the mixture case

Expectation-maximization

- to derive an EM algorithm you need to do the following
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EM for mixtures (step 1)

- the first thing we always do in a EM problem is
 - compute the likelihood of the COMPLETE data
- very neat trick to use when z is discrete (classes)
 - instead of using z in {1, 2, ..., C}
 - use a binary vector of size equal to the # of classes

$$\mathbf{z} \in \left\{ \left[egin{array}{c} 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ \end{array}, \left[egin{array}{c} 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ \end{array}, \left[egin{array}{c} 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ \vdots \ \end{array} \right], \ldots, \left[egin{array}{c} 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ \vdots \ \end{array} \right]
ight\}$$

• where z = j in the z in $\{1, 2, ..., C\}$ notation, now becomes

$$\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{e}_j = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

EM for mixtures (step 1)

we can now write the complete data likelihood as

$$P_{\mathbf{X},\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{z};\boldsymbol{\Psi}) = P_{\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{z};\boldsymbol{\Psi})P_{\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{z};\boldsymbol{\Psi})$$
$$= \prod_{j=1}^{C} \left[P_{\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{e}_{j},\boldsymbol{\Psi})\pi_{j} \right]^{z_{j}}$$

▶ for example, if z = k in the z in $\{1, 2, ..., C\}$ notation,

$$P_{\mathbf{X},Z}(\mathbf{x},k;\Psi) = P_{\mathbf{X},\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{e}_k;\Psi)$$

$$= \left[P_{\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{e}_k,\Psi)\pi_k\right]^1 \prod_{j\neq k} \left[P_{\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{e}_j,\Psi)\pi_j\right]^0$$

the advantage is that

$$\log P_{\mathbf{X},\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{z};\mathbf{\Psi}) = \sum_{j=1}^{C} z_j \log \left[P_{\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{e}_j,\mathbf{\Psi})\pi_j \right]$$

▶ becomes LINEAR in the components $z_i!!!$

The assignment vector trick

- ▶ this is similar to something that we used already
- Bernoulli random variable

$$P_Z(z) = \begin{cases} p & z = 1\\ 1 - p & z = 0 \end{cases}$$

▶ can be written as

$$P_Z(z) = p^z (1-p)^{1-z}$$

▶ or, using $z \in \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ instead of $z \in \{0,1\}$, as

$$P_Z(z) = p^{z_1} (1 - p)^{z_2}$$

EM for mixtures (step 1)

▶ for the complete iid dataset $D_c = \{(x_1, z_1), ..., (x_N, z_N)\}$

$$P_{\mathbf{X},Z}(\mathcal{D}, \{\mathbf{z}_1, \dots, \mathbf{z}_N\}; \mathbf{\Psi}) = \prod_{i=1}^{N} P_{\mathbf{X},Z}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{z}_i; \mathbf{\Psi})$$
$$= \prod_{i=1}^{N} \prod_{j=1}^{C} \left[P_{\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{x}_i|\mathbf{e}_j, \mathbf{\Psi}) \pi_j \right]^{z_{ij}}$$

and the complete data log-likelihood is

$$\log P_{\mathbf{X},Z}(\mathcal{D}, \{\mathbf{z}_1, \dots, \mathbf{z}_N\}; \mathbf{\Psi}) = \sum_{i,j} z_{i,j} \log \left[P_{\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{x}_i|\mathbf{e}_j, \mathbf{\Psi}) \pi_j \right])$$

this does not depend on z and simply becomes a constant for the expectation that we have to compute in the E-step

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 - important E-step advice:
 - do not compute terms that you do not need
 - at the end of the day we only care about the parameters
 - terms of Q that do not depend on the parameters are useless,
 e.g. in

$$Q = f(z, \Psi) + \log(\sin z)$$

the expected value of log(sin z) appears to be difficult and is completely unnecessary, since it is dropped in the M-step

EM for mixtures (step 2)

once we have the complete data likelihood

$$Q(\Psi; \Psi^{(n)}) = E_{Z|X; \Psi^{(n)}} \left[\log P_{X,Z}(\mathcal{D}, \{z_1, \dots, z_N\}; \Psi) | \mathcal{D} \right]$$

=
$$\sum_{i,j} E_{Z|X; \Psi^{(n)}}[z_{ij}|\mathcal{D}] \log \left[P_{X|Z}(\mathbf{x}_i|\mathbf{e}_j, \Psi) \pi_j \right]$$

▶ i.e. to compute the Q function we only need to compute

$$E_{Z|\mathbf{X};\mathbf{\Psi}^{(n)}}[z_{ij}|\mathcal{D}], \ \forall i,j$$

- note that this expectation can only be computed because we use $\Psi^{(n)}$
- ▶ note that the Q function will be a function of both Ψ and $\psi(n)$

EM for mixtures (step 2)

ightharpoonup since z_{ij} is binary and only depends on x_i

$$E_{\mathbf{Z}|\mathbf{X};\mathbf{\Psi}^{(n)}}[z_{ij}|\mathcal{D}] = P_{\mathbf{Z}|\mathbf{X}}(z_{ij} = 1|\mathbf{x}_i;\mathbf{\Psi}^{(n)}) = P_{\mathbf{Z}|\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{e}_j|\mathbf{x}_i;\mathbf{\Psi}^{(n)})$$

- the E-step reduces to computing the posterior probability of each point under each class!
- defining

$$h_{ij} = P_{\mathbf{Z}|\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{e}_j|\mathbf{x}_i; \mathbf{\Psi}^{(n)})$$

the Q function is

$$Q(\Psi; \Psi^{(n)}) = \sum_{i,j} h_{ij} \log \left[P_{\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{x}_i|\mathbf{e}_j, \Psi) \pi_j \right]$$

Expectation-maximization

- to derive an EM algorithm you need to do the following
 - 1. write down the likelihood of the COMPLETE data

$$\log P_{\mathbf{X},Z}(\mathcal{D}, \{\mathbf{z}_1, \dots, \mathbf{z}_N\}; \mathbf{\Psi}) = \sum_{i,j} z_{ij} \log \left[P_{\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{x}_i|\mathbf{e}_j, \mathbf{\Psi}) \pi_j \right]$$

2. E-step: write down the Q function, i.e. its expectation given the observed data

$$h_{ij} = P_{\mathbf{Z}|\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{e}_j|\mathbf{x}_i; \mathbf{\Psi}^{(n)})$$

$$Q(\mathbf{\Psi}; \mathbf{\Psi}^{(n)}) = \sum_{i,j} h_{ij} \log \left[P_{\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{x}_i|\mathbf{e}_j, \mathbf{\Psi}) \pi_j \right]$$

3. M-step: solve the maximization, deriving a closed-form solution if there is one

$$\Psi^{(n+1)} = \arg \max_{\Psi} \sum_{ij} h_{ij} \log \left[P_{\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{x}_i|\mathbf{e}_j, \Psi) \pi_j \right]$$

EM vs CM

- let's compare this with the CM algorithm
 - the C-step

$$\mathbf{z}_i = \arg\max_j P_{\mathbf{Z}|\mathbf{X}} \left(\mathbf{e}_j | \mathbf{x}_i; \mathbf{\Psi}^{(n)} \right)$$

assigns each point to the class of largest posterior

the E-step

$$h_{ij} = P_{\mathbf{Z}|\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{e}_j|\mathbf{x}_i)$$

assigns the point to all classes with weight given by the posterior

- for this, EM is said to make "soft-assignments"
 - it does not commit to any of the classes (unless the posterior is one for that class), i.e. it is less greedy
 - no longer partition space into rigid cells, but now the boundaries are soft

EM vs CM

- what about the M-steps?
 - for CM

$$\begin{split} \Psi_{j}^{(n+1)} &= \arg\max_{\boldsymbol{\Psi}} P_{\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Z}}(\mathcal{D}^{j}|\mathbf{e}_{j}, \boldsymbol{\Psi})\boldsymbol{\pi} \\ &= \arg\max_{\boldsymbol{\Psi}} \sum_{i|z_{i}=j} \log[P_{\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{x}_{i}|\mathbf{e}_{j}, \boldsymbol{\Psi})\boldsymbol{\pi}] \\ &= \arg\max_{\boldsymbol{\Psi}} \sum_{i} \delta_{z_{i}=j} \log[P_{\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{x}_{i}|\mathbf{e}_{j}, \boldsymbol{\Psi})\boldsymbol{\pi}] \end{split}$$

for EM

$$\Psi^{(n+1)} = \arg \max_{\Psi} \sum_{ij} h_{ij} \log \left[P_{\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{x}_i|\mathbf{e}_j, \Psi) \pi_j \right]$$

- here are the same if we threshold the h_{ij} to make, for each i, $max_i h_{ij} = 1$ and all other $h_{ij} = 0$
- ► M-steps the same up to the difference of assignments

EM for Gaussian mixtures

- in summary:
 - CM = EM + hard assignments
 - CM special case, cannot be better
- let's look at the special case of Gaussian mixtures
- ► E-step:

$$h_{ij} = P_{\mathbf{Z}|\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{e}_{j}|\mathbf{x}_{i}; \mathbf{\Psi}^{(n)})$$

$$= \frac{\mathcal{G}\left(\mathbf{x}_{i}, \mu_{j}^{(n)}, \sigma_{j}^{(n)}\right) \pi_{j}^{(n)}}{\sum_{k=1}^{C} \mathcal{G}\left(\mathbf{x}_{i}, \mu_{k}^{(n)}, \sigma_{k}^{(n)}\right) \pi_{k}^{(n)}}$$

M-step for Gaussian mixtures

► M-step:

$$\Psi^{(n+1)} = \arg \max_{\Psi} \sum_{ij} h_{ij} \log \left[\mathcal{G} \left(\mathbf{x}_i, \mu_j, \sigma_j \right) \pi_j \right]$$

$$= \arg \min_{\Psi} \sum_{ij} \frac{h_{ij} (\mathbf{x}_i - \mu_j)^2}{2\sigma_j^2} + \frac{h_{ij}}{2} \log \sigma_j^2 - h_{ij} \log \pi_j$$

important note:

- in the M-step, the optimization must be subject to whatever constraint may hold
- in particular, we always have the constraint $\sum_j \pi_j = 1$
- as usual we introduce a Lagrangian

$$L = \sum_{ij} \left[\frac{h_{ij}(\mathbf{x}_i - \mu_j)^2}{2\sigma_j^2} + \frac{h_{ij}}{2} \log \sigma_j^2 - h_{ij} \log \pi_j \right] + \lambda \left(\sum_j \pi_j - 1 \right)$$

M-step for Gaussian mixtures

Lagrangian

$$L = \sum_{ij} \left[\frac{h_{ij}(\mathbf{x}_i - \mu_j)^2}{2\sigma_j^2} + \frac{h_{ij}}{2} \log \sigma_j^2 - h_{ij} \log \pi_j \right] + \lambda \left(\sum_j \pi_j - 1 \right)$$

setting derivatives to zero

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mu_j} = -\sum_{i} \frac{h_{ij}(\mathbf{x}_i - \mu_j)}{\sigma_j^2} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \sigma_j^2} = -\sum_{i} \left[\frac{h_{ij}(\mathbf{x}_i - \mu_j)^2}{\sigma_j^4} - \frac{h_{ij}}{\sigma_j^2} \right] = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \pi_j} = -\sum_{i} \frac{h_i}{\pi_j} + \lambda = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \lambda} = \sum_{j} \pi_j - 1 = 0$$

M-step for Gaussian mixtures

leads to the update equations

$$\mu_j^{(n+1)} = \frac{\sum_i h_{ij} \mathbf{x}_i}{\sum_i h_{ij}} \qquad \pi_j^{(n+1)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i h_{ij}$$
$$\sigma_j^{2(n+1)} = \frac{\sum_i h_{ij} (\mathbf{x}_i - \mu_j)^2}{\sum_i h_{ij}}$$

comparing to those of CM

$$\pi_c^{(n+1)} = \frac{|\{\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathcal{D}^c\}|}{N} \qquad \mu_c^{(n+1)} = \frac{1}{|\{\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathcal{D}^c\}|} \sum_{i | \mathbf{x}_i \in \mathcal{D}^c} \mathbf{x}_i$$

$$\Sigma_c^{(n+1)} = \frac{1}{|\{\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathcal{D}^c\}|} \sum_{i | \mathbf{x}_i \in \mathcal{D}^c} \left(\mathbf{x}_i - \mu_c^{(n+1)}\right) \left(\mathbf{x}_i - \mu_c^{(n+1)}\right)^T$$

they are the same up to hard vs soft assignments.

Expectation-maximization

- note that the procedure is the same for all mixtures
 - 1. write down the likelihood of the COMPLETE data

$$\log P_{\mathbf{X},Z}(\mathcal{D}, \{\mathbf{z}_1, \dots, \mathbf{z}_N\}; \mathbf{\Psi}) = \sum_{i,j} z_{ij} \log \left[P_{\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{x}_i|\mathbf{e}_j, \mathbf{\Psi}) \pi_j \right]$$

2. E-step: write down the Q function, i.e. its expectation given the observed data

$$h_{ij} = P_{\mathbf{Z}|\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{e}_j|\mathbf{x}_i; \mathbf{\Psi}^{(n)})$$

$$Q(\mathbf{\Psi}; \mathbf{\Psi}^{(n)}) = \sum_{i,j} h_{ij} \log \left[P_{\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{x}_i|\mathbf{e}_j, \mathbf{\Psi}) \pi_j \right]$$

3. M-step: solve the maximization, deriving a closed-form solution if there is one

$$\Psi^{(n+1)} = \arg \max_{\Psi} \sum_{ij} h_{ij} \log \left[P_{\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{x}_i|\mathbf{e}_j, \Psi) \pi_j \right]$$

Expectation-maximization

E.g. for a mixture of exponential distributions

$$P_X(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{C} \pi_i \lambda_i e^{-\lambda_i x}$$

1. E-step: write down the Q function, i.e. its expectation given the observed data

$$h_{ij} = P_{Z|X}(j \mid x_i) = \frac{\pi_j \lambda_j e^{-\lambda_j x_i}}{\sum_{c=1}^{C} \pi_c \lambda_c e^{-\lambda_c x_i}}$$

2. M-step: solve the maximization, deriving a closed-form solution if there is one

$$Q(\Psi; \Psi^{(n)}) = \sum_{i,j} h_{ij} \log \left[P_{\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{x}_i|\mathbf{e}_j, \Psi) \pi_j \right]$$

M-step for exponential mixtures

M-step:

$$\Psi^{(n+1)} = \arg \max_{\Psi} \sum_{ij} h_{ij} \log \left[\pi_j \lambda_j e^{-\lambda_j x_i} \right]$$
$$= \arg \min_{\Psi} \sum_{ij} h_{ij} \left(\lambda_j x_i - \log \left[\pi_j \lambda_j \right] \right)$$

the Lagragian is

$$L = \sum_{ij} h_{ij} \left(\lambda_j x_i - \log \lambda_j - \log \pi_j \right) + \kappa \left(\sum_j \pi_j - 1 \right)$$

M-step for exponential mixtures

$$L = \sum_{ij} h_{ij} \left(\lambda_j x_i - \log \lambda_j - \log \pi_j \right) + \kappa \left(\sum_j \pi_j - 1 \right)$$

and has minimum at

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \lambda_{k}} = \sum_{i} h_{ik} \left(x_{i} - \frac{1}{\lambda_{k}} \right) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \pi_{k}} = -\sum_{i} \frac{h_{ik}}{\pi_{k}} + \kappa = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \kappa} = \sum_{i} \pi_{j} - 1 = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_k} = \frac{\sum_{i} h_{ik} x_i}{\sum_{i} h_{ik}}$$

$$\kappa = \sum_{ij} h_{ik}$$

$$\pi_k = \frac{\sum_{ij} h_{ik}}{\sum_{ij} h_{ik}}$$

EM algorithm

- note, however, that EM is much more general than this recipe for mixtures
- it can be applied for any problem where we have observed and hidden random variables
- here is a very simple example
 - X observer Gaussian variable, X~ N(μ,1),
 - Z hidden exponential variable
 - It is known that Z is independent of X
 - sample $D = \{x_1, ..., x_n\}$ of iid observations from X
- note that the assumption of independence does not really make sense (why?)
- how does this affect EM?

Example

▶ toy model: X iid, Z iid, $X_i \sim N(\mu,1)$, $Z_i \sim \lambda e^{-\lambda z}$, X independent of Z

$$\begin{split} & \blacktriangleright Q(\Psi; \Psi^{(n)}) = E_{Z|X; \Psi^{(n)}} \left[\log P_{X,Z}(\mathcal{D}, \{z_1, \dots, z_N\}; \Psi) | \mathcal{D} \right] \\ & = E_{Z|X; \Psi^{(n)}} \left[-\sum_k \frac{(x_k - \mu)^2}{2} - \frac{N}{2} \log 2\pi - \lambda \sum_k z_k + N \log \lambda | \mathcal{D} \right] \\ & = -\sum_k \frac{(x_k - \mu)^2}{2} - \frac{N}{2} \log 2\pi - \lambda \sum_k E_{Z|X; \Psi^{(n)}}[z_k | x_k] + N \log \lambda \\ & = -\sum_k \frac{(x_k - \mu)^2}{2} - \frac{N}{2} \log 2\pi - \lambda \sum_k E_{Z_k; \Psi^{(n)}}[z_k] + N \log \lambda \\ & = -\sum_k \frac{(x_k - \mu)^2}{2} - \frac{N}{2} \log 2\pi - N\lambda E_{Z; \Psi^{(n)}}[z] + N \log \lambda \\ & = -\sum_k \frac{(x_k - \mu)^2}{2} - \frac{N}{2} \log 2\pi - N\lambda E_{Z; \Psi^{(n)}}[z] + N \log \lambda \end{split}$$

Example

$$\blacktriangleright \Psi^{(n+1)} = \arg \max_{\Psi} Q(\Psi; \Psi^{(n)})$$

$$\mathbb{Q}(\Psi; \Psi^{(n)}) = -\sum_{k} \frac{(x_k - \mu)^2}{2} - \frac{N}{2} \log 2\pi - N \frac{\lambda}{\lambda^{(n)}} + N \log \lambda$$

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial \mu} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \mu^{(n+1)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k} x_k \qquad \frac{\partial Q}{\partial \lambda} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \lambda^{(n+1)} = \lambda^{(n)}$$

- this makes sense:
 - since hidden variables Z are independent of observed X
 - ML estimate of μ is always the same: the sample mean, no dependence on z_i
 - ML estimate of λ is always the initial estimate $\lambda^{(0)}$: since the observations are independent of the z_i we have no information on what λ should be, other than initial guess.
- ▶ note that model does not make sense, not EM solution

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