# K-Means Clustering and Gaussian Mixture Model

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## K-MEANS ALGORITHM

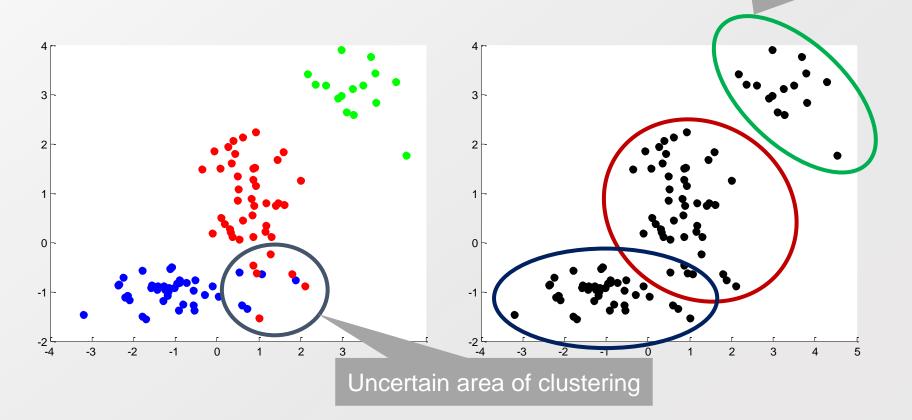
## **Clustering Problem**



- How to cluster the unlabeled data points?
  - No concrete knowledge of their classes
  - Latent (hidden) variable of classes
  - Optimal assignment to the latent classes

How to assign data points to classes?

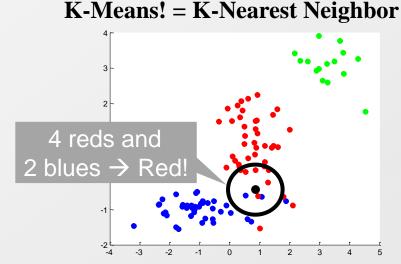
→ Clustering (here classes == clusters)

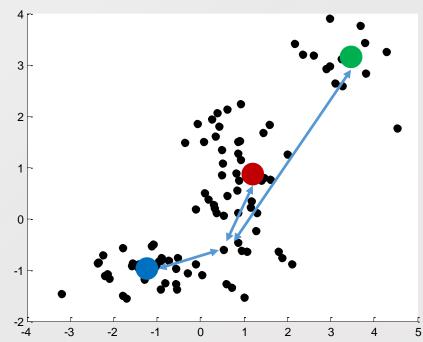


## **K-Means Algorithm**



- K-Means algorithm
  - Setup K number of centroids (or prototypes) and cluster data points by the distance from the points to the nearest centroid
- Formally,
  - $J = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{k=1}^{K} r_{nk} ||x_n \mu_k||^2$
  - Minimize J by optimizing
    - $r_{nk}$ : the assignment of data points to clusters
    - $\mu_k$ : the location of centroids
  - Iterative optimization
    - Why?
    - Two variables are interacting





## **Expectation and Maximization**



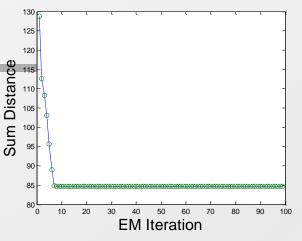
- $J = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{k=1}^{K} r_{nk} ||x_n \mu_k||^2$ 
  - Expectation
    - Expectation of the log-likelihood given the parameters
    - Assign the data points to the nearest centroid
  - Maximization
    - Maximization of the parameters with respect to the log-likelihood
    - Update the centroid positions given the assignments
- *r<sub>nk</sub>*
  - $r_{nk} = \{0,1\}$
  - Discrete variable
  - Logical choice: the nearest centroid  $\mu_k$  for a data point of  $x_n$
- $\mu_k$

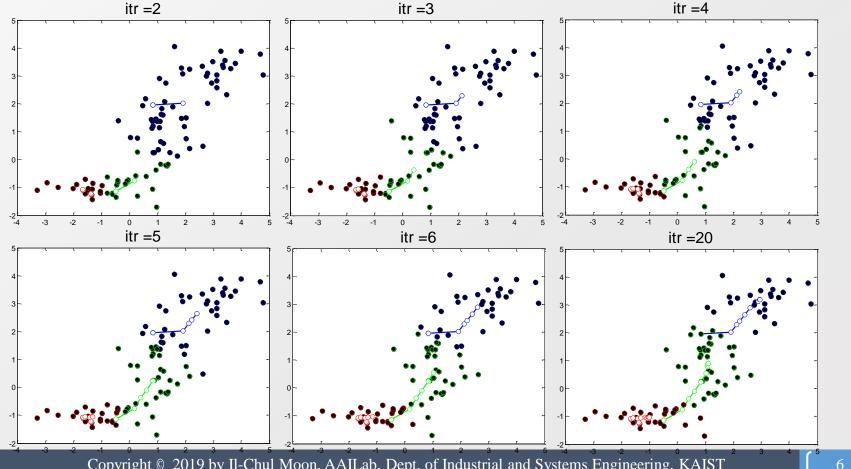
• 
$$\frac{dJ}{d\mu_k} = \frac{d}{d\mu_k} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{l=1}^{K} r_{nl} \|x_n - \mu_l\|^2 = \frac{d}{d\mu_k} \sum_{n=1}^{N} r_{nk} \|x_n - \mu_k\|^2 = \sum_{n=1}^{N} -2r_{nk}(x_n - \mu_k) = -2(-\sum_{n=1}^{N} r_{nk}\mu_k + \sum_{n=1}^{N} r_{nk}x_n) = 0$$

• 
$$\mu_k = \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{N} r_{nk} x_n}{\sum_{n=1}^{N} r_{nk}}$$

## **Progress of K-Means Algorithm**

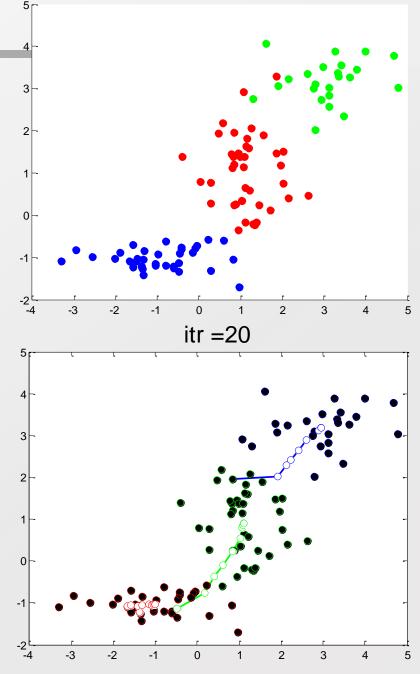
- EM iterations to
  - Optimize the assignments with respect to the sum of distances
  - Optimize the parameters with respect to the sum of distances





#### **Properties of K-Means Algorithm**

- # of clusters is uncertain
- Initial location of centroids
  - Some initial locations might not result in the reasonable results
- Limitation of distance metrics
  - Euclidean distance is very limited knowledge of information
- Hard clustering
  - Hard assignment of data points to clusters
    - $r_{nk} = \{0,1\}$ 
      - This can be the smoothly distributed probability
    - Any alternatives?
    - Soft clustering



## GAUSSIAN MIXTURE MODEL

#### **Multinomial Distribution**



- Binary variable
  - Selecting 0 or 1 → binomial distribution
- How about K options?
  - X = (0,0,1,0,0,0) when K = 6 and selecting the third option
  - $\sum_{k} x_{k} = 1$ ,  $P(X|\mu) = \prod_{k=1}^{K} \mu_{k}^{x_{k}}$  such that  $\mu_{k} \geq 0$ ,  $\sum_{k} \mu_{k} = 1$
  - A generalization of binomial distribution → Multinomial distribution
- Given a dataset D with N selections,  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ 
  - $P(X|\boldsymbol{\mu}) = \prod_{n=1}^{N} \prod_{k=1}^{K} \mu_k^{x_{nk}} = \prod_{k=1}^{K} \mu_k^{\sum_{n=1}^{N} x_{nk}} = \prod_{k=1}^{K} \mu_k^{m_k}$ 
    - When  $m_k = \sum_{n=1}^N x_{nk}$
    - Number of selecting k<sup>th</sup> option out of N selections
  - How to determine the maximum likelihood solution of  $\mu$ ?
    - Maximize  $P(X|\boldsymbol{\mu}) = \prod_{k=1}^{K} \mu_k^{m_k}$
    - Subject to  $\mu_k \ge 0$ ,  $\sum_k \mu_k = 1$

## **Lagrange Method**

Maximize 
$$P(X|\mu) = \prod_{k=1}^K \mu_k^{m_k}$$
  
Subject to  $\mu_k \geq 0$ ,  $\sum_k \mu_k = 1$   
When  $m_k = \sum_{n=1}^N x_{nk}$ 

- Method of finding a local maximum subject to constraints
  - Maximize f(x,y)
  - Subject to g(x,y)=c
  - Assuming that f and g have continuous partial derivatives
  - 1) Lagrange function and multiplier (do you recall this?)

• 
$$L(x, y, \lambda) = f(x, y) + \lambda(g(x, y) - c)$$

• 
$$L(\mu, m, \lambda) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} m_k \ln \mu_k + \lambda (\sum_{k=1}^{K} \mu_k - 1)$$

- Using the log likelihood
- 2) Take the partial first-order derivative of variables, and set it to be zero

• 
$$\frac{d}{d\mu_k}L(\mu, m, \lambda) = \frac{m_k}{\mu_k} + \lambda = 0 \rightarrow \mu_k = -\frac{m_k}{\lambda}$$

3) Utilize the constraint to get the optimized value

• 
$$\sum_k \mu_k = 1 \to \sum_k -\frac{m_k}{\lambda} = 1 \to \sum_k m_k = -\lambda \to \sum_k \sum_{n=1}^N x_{nk} = -\lambda \to N = -\lambda$$

•  $\mu_k = \frac{m_k}{N}$ : MLE parameter of multinomial distribution

#### **Multivariate Gaussian Distribution**

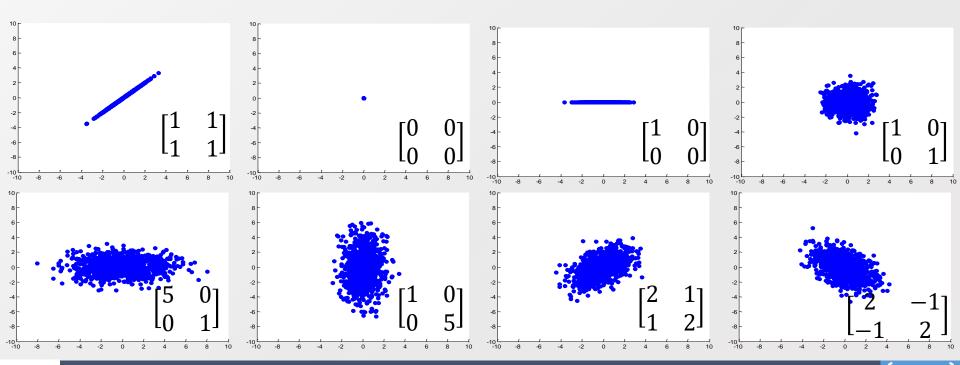


- Probability density function of the Gaussian distribution
  - $N(x|\mu,\sigma^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x-\mu)^2)$
  - $N(x|\mu, \Sigma) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2}} \frac{1}{|\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp(-\frac{1}{2}(x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x-\mu))$ 
    - $\ln N(x|\mu, \Sigma) = -\frac{1}{2}\ln|\Sigma| \frac{1}{2}(x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x-\mu) + C$
    - $\ln N(X|\mu, \Sigma) = -\frac{N}{2} \ln |\Sigma| \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{N} (x_n \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x_n \mu) + C$  $\propto -\frac{N}{2} \ln |\Sigma| - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{N} Tr[\Sigma^{-1} (x_n - \mu)(x_n - \mu)^T]$   $= -\frac{N}{2} \ln |\Sigma| - \frac{1}{2} Tr[\Sigma^{-1} \sum_{n=1}^{N} ((x_n - \mu)(x_n - \mu)^T)]$
    - $\frac{d}{d\mu}\ln N(X|\mu,\Sigma) = 0 \rightarrow -\frac{1}{2}\times 2\times -1\times \Sigma^{-1}\sum_{n=1}^{N}(x_n-\widehat{\mu}) = 0 \rightarrow \widehat{\mu} = \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{N}x_n}{N}$
    - $\frac{d}{d\Sigma^{-1}} \ln N(X|\mu, \Sigma) = 0 \rightarrow \widehat{\Sigma} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} (\mathbf{x}_n \widehat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) (\mathbf{x}_n \widehat{\boldsymbol{\mu}})^T$ 
      - Beyond the scope of the course
      - Use "trace trick" and 1)  $\frac{d}{dA}\log|A| = A^{-T}$ , 2)  $\frac{d}{dA}Tr[AB] = \frac{d}{dA}Tr[BA] = B^T$

## Samples of Multivariate Gaussian Distribution

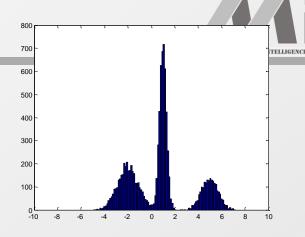


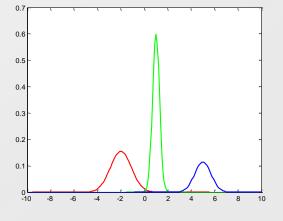
- Samples of multivariate Gaussian distributions
  - With various covariance matrixes
  - Covariance matrix should a positive-definite matrix
    - $z^T \Sigma z > 0$  for every non-zero column vector z
    - $\begin{bmatrix} a \ b \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = a^2 + b^2 > 0$  when a, b are non-zero

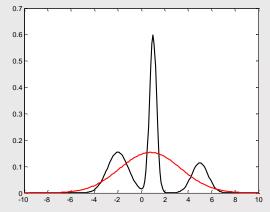


#### **Mixture Model**

- Imagine that the samples are drawn from three different normal distributions
  - Subpopulation
  - The conventional distributions cannot explain the distribution accurately
  - We need to mix the three normal distribution →
     Create a new distribution adapted to the samples
  - Mixture distribution
- $P(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_k N(x|\mu_k, \sigma_k)$ 
  - Mixing coefficients,  $\pi_k$ : A normal distribution is chosen out of K options with probability
    - Works as weighting
    - $\sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_k = 1, 0 \le \pi_k \le 1$
    - This is a probability (as well as weighting!)
    - Then, which distribution?
    - New variable? Let's say Z!
  - Mixture component,  $N(x|\mu_k, \sigma_k)$ : A distribution for the subpopulation
- $P(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} P(z_k) P(x|z_k)$ 
  - Why this ordering of variables?







#### **Gaussian Mixture Model**



- Let's assume that the data points are drawn from a mixture distribution of multiple multivariate Gaussian distributions
  - $P(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} P(z_k) P(x|z) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_k N(x|\mu_k, \Sigma_k)$
  - How to model such mixture?
    - Mixing coefficient, or Selection variable: z<sub>k</sub>
      - The selection is stochastic which follows the multinomial distribution

• 
$$z_k \in \{0,1\}, \sum_k z_k = 1, P(z_k = 1) = \pi_k, \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k = 1, 0 \le \pi_k \le 1$$

- $P(Z) = \prod_{k=1}^K \pi_k^{z_k}$
- Mixture component

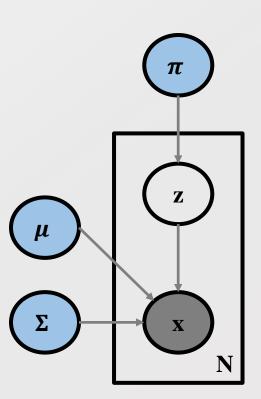
• 
$$P(X|z_k = 1) = N(x|\mu_k, \Sigma_k) \to P(X|Z) = \prod_{k=1}^K N(x|\mu_k, \Sigma_k)^{z_k}$$

 This is the marginalized probability. How about conditional?

• 
$$\gamma(z_{nk}) \equiv p(z_k = 1 | x_n) = \frac{P(z_k = 1)P(x | z_k = 1)}{\sum_{j=1}^{K} P(z_j = 1)P(x | z_j = 1)}$$

$$= \frac{\pi_k N(x | \mu_k, \Sigma_k)}{\sum_{j=1}^{K} \pi_j N(x | \mu_j, \Sigma_j)}$$

- Log likelihood of the entire dataset is
  - $\ln P(X|\pi, \mu, \Sigma) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \ln \{\sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_k N(x|\mu_k, \Sigma_k)\}$



## **Expectation of GMM**



- Similar problem of K-means algorithm
  - Two interacting parameters
  - As before, we apply the expectation and the maximization algorithm
    - Expectation: the assignment between the clusters and the data points
    - Maximization: the update of the parameters
- Expectation step
  - Assign a data point to a nearest cluster → the assignment probability
    - Given the parameters and the data point, calculate the likelihood

• 
$$\gamma(z_{nk}) \equiv p(z_k = 1 | x_n) = \frac{P(z_k = 1)P(x | z_k = 1)}{\sum_{j=1}^K P(z_j = 1)P(x | z_j = 1)} = \frac{\pi_k N(x | \mu_k, \Sigma_k)}{\sum_{j=1}^K \pi_j N(x | \mu_j, \Sigma_j)}$$

- Here,  $x, \pi, \mu, \Sigma$  are given, calculate  $\gamma(z_{nk})$
- $\gamma(z_{nk})$  are used to calculate  $\pi, \mu, \Sigma$
- The new  $\gamma(z_{nk})$  motivates the update of the old parameters

#### **Maximization of GMM**

#### Maximization step

- Update the parameters given  $\gamma(z_{nk})$   $\frac{d}{d\mu}\ln N(X|\mu,\Sigma) = 0 \rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} \times 2 \times -1 \times \Sigma^{-1} \sum_{n=1}^{N} (x_n \hat{\mu}) = 0 \rightarrow \hat{\mu} = \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{N} x_n}{N}$
- Parameters to update:  $\pi, \mu, \Sigma$

• 
$$\ln P(X|\pi,\mu,\Sigma) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \ln \{\sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_k N(x|\mu_k,\Sigma_k)\}$$

- Typical methods
  - Derivative  $\rightarrow$  set the equation to zero when the function is smooth  $z_{nk}$  =  $\frac{\pi_k N(x|\mu_k, \Sigma_k)}{\sum_{i=1}^K \pi_i N(x|\mu_i, \Sigma_i)}$

 $N(\boldsymbol{x}|\boldsymbol{\mu},\boldsymbol{\Sigma}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2}} \frac{1}{|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}|^{1/2}} \exp(-\frac{1}{2}(\boldsymbol{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(\boldsymbol{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu}))$ 

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 $\ln N(X|\mu,\Sigma) = -\frac{N}{2}\ln|\Sigma| - \frac{1}{2}\sum_{n=1}^{N}(x_n - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x_n - \mu) + C$ 

 $\frac{d}{d\Sigma^{-1}}\ln N(X|\mu,\Sigma) = 0 \to \widehat{\Sigma} = \frac{1}{N}\sum_{n} (x_n - \widehat{\mu})(x_n - \widehat{\mu})^T$ 

Lagrange method when there is a constraint.
 Which parameter has the constraint?

• 
$$\frac{d}{d\mu_k} \ln P(X|\pi, \mu, \Sigma) = \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{\pi_k N(x|\mu_k, \Sigma_k)}{\sum_{j=1}^K \pi_j N(x|\mu_j, \Sigma_j)} \Sigma^{-1}(x_n - \widehat{\mu_k}) = 0$$
  
 $\to \sum_{n=1}^N \gamma(z_{nk}) (x_n - \widehat{\mu_k}) = 0 \to \widehat{\mu_k} = \frac{\sum_{n=1}^N \gamma(z_{nk}) x_n}{\sum_{n=1}^N \gamma(z_{nk})}$ 

• 
$$\frac{d}{d\Sigma_k} \ln P(X|\pi, \mu, \Sigma) = 0$$

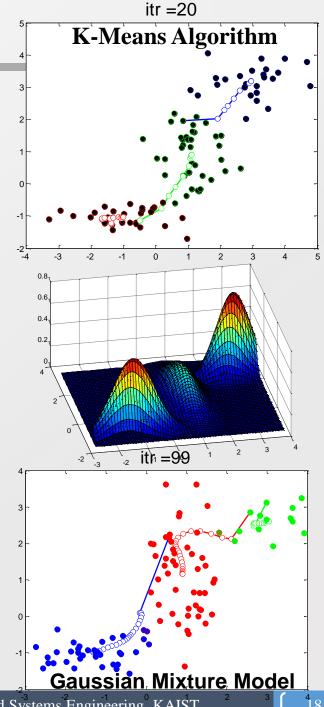
$$\to \Sigma_k = \frac{\sum_{n=1}^N \gamma(z_{nk}) (x_n - \widehat{\mu_k}) (x_n - \widehat{\mu_k})^T}{\sum_{n=1}^N \gamma(z_{nk})}$$

## **Progress of GMM** Log Likelihood Soft clustering Estimated parameters Soft assignment of data points to clusters itr =8 EM Iteration itr =2 itr = 4itr =16 itr =32 1 itr =99<sup>1</sup>

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## **Properties of GMM**

- Pros and cons of Gaussian mixture model
  - Pros
    - More information
      - Soft clustering
      - Not a simple and discrete assignment
        - Information loss
    - More and more information
      - Learn the latent distribution
      - Distance is not always the answer of the distribution
  - Cons
    - Long computation time
      - Why?
    - Falling into local maximum
    - Deciding K
- Anyways to mitigate the disadvantage?
  - Fast K-means and slow GMM



#### Relation between K-Means and GMM



• 
$$N(x|\mu, \Sigma) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2}} \frac{1}{|\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp(-\frac{1}{2}(x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x-\mu))$$

• 
$$P(x|\mu_k, \Sigma_k) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2}} \frac{1}{|\Sigma_k|^{1/2}} \exp(-\frac{1}{2}(x - \mu_k)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x - \mu_k))$$

- Let's say  $\Sigma_k = \epsilon I$ 
  - Here, I is the identity matrix and  $\epsilon$  is not updated by the EM process
  - $I = I^{-1}$

• = 
$$\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2}\epsilon^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\epsilon}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)^T(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)\right)$$

• = 
$$\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2} \epsilon^{1/2}} \exp(-\frac{1}{2\epsilon} ||x - \mu_k||^2)$$

$$J = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{k=1}^{K} r_{nk} ||x_n - \mu_k||^2$$

**K-Means Algorithm** 

• 
$$\gamma(z_{nk}) = \frac{\pi_k N(x|\mu_k, \Sigma_k)}{\sum_{j=1}^K \pi_j N(x|\mu_j, \Sigma_j)} = \frac{\pi_k \exp(-\frac{1}{2\epsilon}||x - \mu_k||^2)}{\sum_{j=1}^K \pi_j \exp(-\frac{1}{2\epsilon}||x - \mu_k||^2)}$$

- When  $\epsilon \to 0$ , the term of smallest  $||x \mu_k||^2$  approaches zero most slowly
- When all other terms are zero, the term of the smallest  $||x \mu_k||^2$  has a value
- Now, it becomes the hard assignment
- Still, GMM with  $\epsilon I$  is not K-Means. Why?
  - Soft assignment + Covariance matrix learning

## **EM ALGORITHM**

#### Inference with Latent Variables



- Difference between classification and clustering
- Let's say
  - {*X*, *Z*}: complete set of variables
  - X: observed variables
  - Z: hidden (latent) variables
  - $\theta$ : parameters for distributions
  - $P(X|\theta) = \sum_{Z} P(X, Z|\theta) \rightarrow \ln P(X|\theta) = \ln \{\sum_{Z} P(X, Z|\theta)\}$ 
    - Any problem here?
    - The locations of summation and log make this complicated
    - Eventually, we want to exchange the locations of the two operators
- What we want to know is
  - The values of Z and θ
    - Optimizing  $P(X|\theta) = \sum_{Z} P(X, Z|\theta)$
  - The interacting terms for the optimization

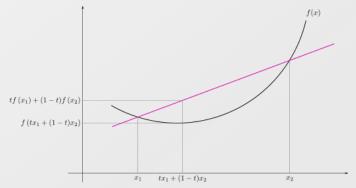
## **Probability Decomposition**



• 
$$l(\theta) = \ln P(X|\theta) = \ln \{\sum_{Z} P(X, Z|\theta)\} = \ln \{\sum_{Z} q(Z) \frac{P(X, Z|\theta)}{q(Z)}\}$$

- Use the Jensen's inequality
- $\ln \left\{ \sum_{Z} q(Z) \frac{P(X, Z|\theta)}{q(Z)} \right\} \ge \sum_{Z} q(Z) \ln \frac{P(X, Z|\theta)}{q(Z)}$
- =  $\sum_{Z} q(Z) \ln P(X, Z|\theta) q(Z) \ln q(Z)$ 
  - Recall the second term?
  - $H(X) = -\sum_{X} P(X = x) \log_b P(X = x)$
- =  $E_{q(Z)} \ln P(X, Z|\theta) + H(q)$ 
  - $Q(\theta, q) = E_{q(Z)} \ln P(X, Z|\theta) + H(q)$
  - This hold for any distribution of q
  - This is only the lower bound of  $l(\theta)$ 
    - Need to make it tight!
    - How to?

#### Jensen's Inequality



When  $\varphi(x)$  is concave

$$\varphi\left(\frac{\sum a_i x_i}{\sum a_j}\right) \ge \frac{\sum a_i \varphi(x_i)}{\sum a_j}$$

When  $\varphi(x)$  is convex

$$\varphi\left(\frac{\sum a_i x_i}{\sum a_j}\right) \le \frac{\sum a_i \varphi(x_i)}{\sum a_j}$$

## **Maximizing the Lower Bound (1)**



• 
$$l(\theta) = \ln P(X|\theta) = \ln \left\{ \sum_{Z} q(Z) \frac{P(X,Z|\theta)}{q(Z)} \right\} \ge \sum_{Z} q(Z) \ln \frac{P(X,Z|\theta)}{q(Z)} = Q(\theta,q)$$

- $Q(\theta, q) = E_{q(Z)} \ln P(X, Z|\theta) + H(q)$
- The other storyline is

• 
$$l(\theta) \ge \sum_{Z} q(Z) \ln \frac{P(X, Z|\theta)}{q(Z)} = \sum_{Z} q(Z) \ln \frac{P(Z|X, \theta)P(X|\theta)}{q(Z)}$$
$$= \sum_{Z} \left\{ q(Z) \ln \frac{P(Z|X, \theta)}{q(Z)} + q(Z) \ln P(X|\theta) \right\} = \ln P(X|\theta) + \sum_{Z} \left\{ q(Z) \ln \frac{P(Z|X, \theta)}{q(Z)} \right\}$$

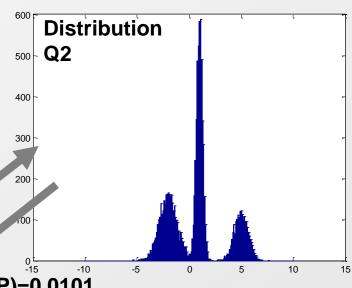
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$$L(\theta, q) = \ln P(X|\theta) - \sum_{Z} \left\{ q(Z) \ln \frac{q(Z)}{P(Z|X, \theta)} \right\}$$

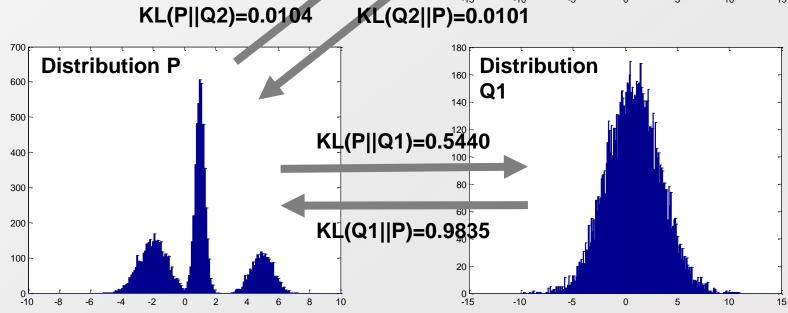
- Here, the second term is a very special term
  - $KL(q(Z)||P(Z|X,\theta)) = \sum_{Z} \left\{ q(Z) \ln \frac{q(Z)}{P(Z|X,\theta)} \right\}$
  - Kullback-Leiber divergence, or KL divergence:  $KL(P||Q) = \sum_i P(i) \ln \left(\frac{P(i)}{Q(i)}\right)$
  - Non-symmetric measure of the difference between two probability distributions, or KL(P||Q)
  - Measures the difference
    - $KL(P||Q) \ge 0$
    - When there is no difference between P and Q, KL(P||Q) = 0

## **KL** Divergence



- Kullback-Leiber divergence, or KL divergence:  $KL(P||Q) = \sum_{i} P(i) \ln \left(\frac{P(i)}{Q(i)}\right)$ 
  - Measures the matching performance of P and Q
  - Consider Gaussian distribution and Gaussian mixture distribution





## **Maximizing the Lower Bound (2)**



• 
$$l(\theta) = \ln P(X|\theta) = \ln \left\{ \sum_{Z} q(Z) \frac{P(X,Z|\theta)}{q(Z)} \right\} \ge \sum_{Z} q(Z) \ln \frac{P(X,Z|\theta)}{q(Z)} = Q(\theta,q)$$

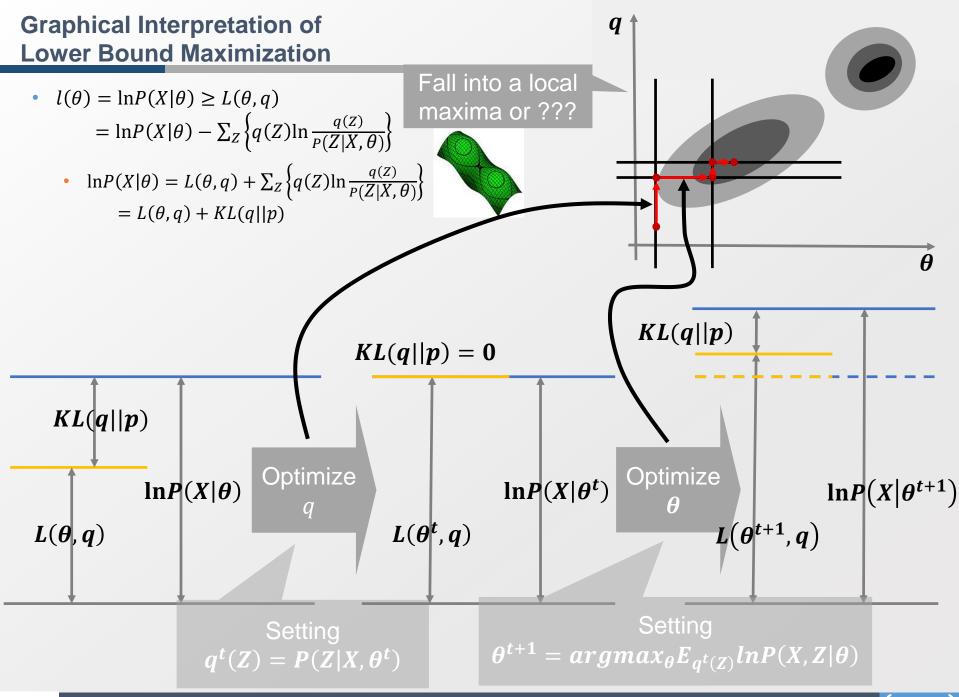
• 
$$Q(\theta, q) = E_{q(Z)} \ln P(X, Z|\theta) + H(q)$$

• 
$$L(\theta, q) = \ln P(X|\theta) - \sum_{Z} \left\{ q(Z) \ln \frac{q(Z)}{P(Z|X, \theta)} \right\}$$

- Why do we compute  $L(\theta, q)$ ?
  - We do not know how to optimize  $Q(\theta, q)$  without further knowledge of q(Z)
  - The second term of  $L(\theta, q)$  tells how to set q(Z)
    - The first term is fixed when θ is fixed at time t
    - The second term can be minimized to maximize  $L(\theta, q)$ 
      - $KL(q(Z)||P(Z|X,\theta)) = 0 \rightarrow q^t(Z) = P(Z|X,\theta^t)$
  - Now, the lower bound with optimized q is
    - $Q(\theta, q^t) = E_{q^t(Z)} \ln P(X, Z | \theta^t) + H(q^t)$
- Then, optimizing  $\theta$  to retrieve the tight lower bound is
  - $\theta^{t+1} = argmax_{\theta}Q(\theta, q^t) = argmax_{\theta}E_{q^t(Z)}\ln P(X, Z|\theta)$ 
    - $q^t(Z) \rightarrow$  Distribution parameters for latent variable is at time t
    - $\ln P(X, Z | \theta) \rightarrow$  optimized log likelihood parameters is at time t + 1

Tells how to setup Z by setting  $q^t(Z) = P(Z|X, \theta^t)$ 

Relax the KL divergence by updating  $\theta^t$  to  $\theta^{t+1}$ 



## **EM Algorithm**

$$\begin{split} l(\theta) &= \ln P(X|\theta) = \ln \left\{ \sum_{Z} q(Z) \frac{P(X,Z|\theta)}{q(Z)} \right\} \geq \sum_{Z} q(Z) \ln \frac{P(X,Z|\theta)}{q(Z)} = Q(\theta,q) \\ Q(\theta,q) &= E_{q(Z)} \ln P(X,Z|\theta) + H(q) \\ L(\theta,q) &= \ln P(X|\theta) - \sum_{Z} \{q(Z) \ln \frac{q(Z)}{P(Z|X,\theta)} \} \end{split}$$

- EM algorithm
  - Finds the maximum likelihood solutions for models with latent variables
  - $P(X|\theta) = \sum_{Z} P(X, Z|\theta) \rightarrow \ln P(X|\theta) = \ln \{\sum_{Z} P(X, Z|\theta)\}$
- EM algorithm
  - Initialize  $\theta^0$  to an arbitrary point
  - Loop until the likelihood converges
    - Expectation step
      - $q^{t+1}(z) = argmax_q Q(\theta^t, q) = argmax_q L(\theta^t, q) = argmin_q KL(q||P(Z|X, \theta^t))$
      - $\rightarrow q^t(z) = P(Z|X,\theta) \rightarrow \text{Assign Z by } P(Z|X,\theta)$
    - Maximization step
      - $\theta^{t+1} = argmax_{\theta}Q(\theta, q^{t+1}) = argmax_{\theta}L(\theta, q^{t+1})$
      - fixed Z means that there is no unobserved variables
      - → Same optimization of ordinary MLE

## **Rethinking GMM Learning Process**



- GMM, K-Means
  - We used EM algorithm to find the assignment of latent variables and the related distribution parameters
- EM algorithm
  - Initialize  $\theta^0$  to an arbitrary point
  - Loop until the likelihood converges
    - Expectation step
      - Assign Z by  $P(Z|X,\theta)$

• 
$$\gamma(z_{nk}) \equiv p(z_k = 1 | x_n) = \frac{P(z_k = 1)P(x | z_k = 1)}{\sum_{j=1}^K P(z_j = 1)P(x | z_j = 1)} = \frac{\pi_k N(x | \mu_k, \Sigma_k)}{\sum_{j=1}^K \pi_j N(x | \mu_j, \Sigma_j)}$$

- Maximization step
  - Same optimization of ordinary MLE

• 
$$\frac{d}{d\mu_k}\ln P(X|\pi,\mu,\Sigma) = 0, \frac{d}{d\Sigma_k}\ln P(X|\pi,\mu,\Sigma) = 0, \frac{d}{d\pi_k}\ln P(X|\pi,\mu,\Sigma) + \lambda\left(\sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k - 1\right) = 0$$

• 
$$\widehat{\mu_k} = \frac{\sum_{n=1}^N \gamma(z_{nk}) x_n}{\sum_{n=1}^N \gamma(z_{nk})}$$
,  $\Sigma_k = \frac{\sum_{n=1}^N \gamma(z_{nk}) (x_n - \widehat{\mu_k}) (x_n - \widehat{\mu_k})^T}{\sum_{n=1}^N \gamma(z_{nk})}$ ,  $\pi_k = \frac{\sum_{n=1}^N \gamma(z_{nk})}{N}$ 

## **Further Readings**



- Bishop Chapter 2 and 9
- Murphy Chapter 11