# Univariate Exponentially Modified Gaussian Wave Mixture Model Optimization

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This document elaborates on a closed-form analytical solution to an Exponentially-Modified Gaussian (EMG) mixture model using least-squares optimization.

# 1 Objective

Let the Exponentially Modified Gaussian (EMG) be

$$m(\mathbf{p}; \mathbf{x}) = m(\alpha, \mu, \sigma, \lambda; \mathbf{x}) = \alpha \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu, \sigma) \Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda, \mu, \sigma) A(\mathbf{x}|\mu, f, \phi)$$
(1)

where  $\mathbf{p} = [\alpha, \mu, \sigma, \lambda]$  and  $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu, \sigma)$  is the Gaussian function given by

$$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu,\sigma) = \exp\left(-\frac{(\mathbf{x}-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$
 (2)

with neglected normalization. The exponentially-modified term is modeled by

$$\Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda,\mu,\sigma) = \left(1 + \operatorname{erf}\left(\lambda \frac{\mathbf{x} - \mu}{\sigma\sqrt{2}}\right)\right)$$
(3)

and finally the oscillating term writes

$$A(\mathbf{x}|\mu, f, \phi) = \cos(2\pi f(\mathbf{x} - \mu) + \phi) \tag{4}$$

with frequency f and phase  $\phi$ . Putting all terms together, the EMG writes

$$m(\mathbf{p}; \mathbf{x}) = \alpha \exp\left(-\frac{(\mathbf{x} - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \left(1 + \operatorname{erf}\left(\lambda \frac{\mathbf{x} - \mu}{\sigma\sqrt{2}}\right)\right) \cos\left(2\pi f\left(\mathbf{x} - \mu\right) + \phi\right)$$
(5)

Now we introduce an EMG mixture model by

$$M(\mathbf{P}; \mathbf{x}) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} m(\mathbf{p}_k; \mathbf{x})$$
 (6)

with components  $k = \{1, 2, ..., K\}$ . For minimization, the loss function writes

$$L(\mathbf{P}) = (y - M(\mathbf{P}; \mathbf{x}))^{2}$$
(7)

where y represents the measurement data suffering from noise.

$$\mathbf{P}^{\star} = \arg\min_{\mathbf{P}} L\left(\mathbf{P}\right) \tag{8}$$

# 2 Analytical Derivative

$$\frac{\partial L\left(\mathbf{P}\right)}{\partial \mathbf{P}} = \frac{\partial \left(y - M\left(\mathbf{P}; \mathbf{x}\right)\right)^{2}}{\partial \mathbf{P}} \tag{9}$$

which becomes

$$\frac{\partial L(\mathbf{P})}{\partial \mathbf{P}} = 2\left(y - M(\mathbf{P}; \mathbf{x})\right) \frac{\partial \left(y - M(\mathbf{P}; \mathbf{x})\right)}{\partial \mathbf{P}}$$
(10)

after employing the chain rule.

$$\frac{\partial \left(y - M\left(\mathbf{P}; \mathbf{x}\right)\right)}{\partial \mathbf{P}} = \frac{\partial y}{\partial \mathbf{P}} - \frac{\partial \left(\sum_{k}^{K} m\left(\mathbf{p}_{k}, \mathbf{x}\right)\right)}{\partial \mathbf{P}} = -\frac{\partial m\left(\mathbf{p}_{k}, \mathbf{x}\right)}{\partial \mathbf{P}}$$
(11)

where we exploited that only the k-th mixture component depends on  ${\bf P}$ 

## 2.1 Partial derivative w.r.t. $\mu$

$$\frac{\partial m(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{x})}{\partial \mu} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \left( \alpha \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x} | \mu, \sigma) \Phi(\mathbf{x} | \lambda, \mu, \sigma) A(\mathbf{x} | \mu, f, \phi) \right)$$
(12)

which becomes

$$\frac{\partial m\left(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{x}\right)}{\partial \mu} = \alpha \left( \Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda, \mu, \sigma) A(\mathbf{x}|\mu, f, \phi) \frac{\partial \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu, \sigma)}{\partial \mu} \right)$$
(13)

$$+ \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu, \sigma) A(\mathbf{x}|\mu, f, \phi) \frac{\partial \Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda, \mu, \sigma)}{\partial \mu}$$
 (14)

$$+ \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu,\sigma) \Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda,\mu,\sigma) \frac{\partial A(\mathbf{x}|\mu,f,\phi)}{\partial \mu}$$
 (15)

after applying the product rule.

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu, \sigma)}{\partial \mu} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \exp\left(-\frac{(\mathbf{x} - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$
(16)

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu, \sigma)}{\partial \mu} = \frac{\mathbf{x} - \mu}{\sigma^2} \exp\left(-\frac{(\mathbf{x} - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$
(17)

$$\frac{\partial \Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda, \mu, \sigma)}{\partial \mu} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \left( 1 + \operatorname{erf} \left( \lambda \frac{\mathbf{x} - \mu}{\sigma \sqrt{2}} \right) \right) \tag{18}$$

$$\frac{\partial \Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda, \mu, \sigma)}{\partial \mu} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \left( 1 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^{\lambda \frac{\mathbf{x} - \mu}{\sigma\sqrt{2}}} \exp\left(-t^2\right) dt \right)$$
(19)

$$\frac{\partial \Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda, \mu, \sigma)}{\partial \mu} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \exp\left(-\lambda^2 \frac{(\mathbf{x} - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \left(-\frac{\lambda}{\sigma\sqrt{2}}\right)$$
(20)

$$\frac{\partial \Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda, \mu, \sigma)}{\partial \mu} = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{\lambda}{\sigma} \exp\left(-\lambda^2 \frac{(\mathbf{x} - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$
(21)

which can be simplified with  $\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}}=\frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}}.$  Differentiating the oscillating term w.r.t.  $\mu$  writes

$$\frac{\partial A(\mathbf{x}|\mu, f, \phi)}{\partial \mu} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \cos(2\pi f(\mathbf{x} - \mu) + \phi)$$
 (22)

so that

$$\frac{\partial A(\mathbf{x}|\mu, f, \phi)}{\partial \mu} = 2\pi f \sin(2\pi f(\mathbf{x} - \mu) + \phi)$$
 (23)

## 2.2 Partial derivative w.r.t. $\sigma$

$$\frac{\partial m\left(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{x}\right)}{\partial \sigma} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma} \left(\alpha \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu, \sigma) \Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda, \mu, \sigma) A(\mathbf{x}|\mu, f, \phi)\right) \tag{24}$$

which becomes

$$\frac{\partial m\left(\mathbf{p},\mathbf{x}\right)}{\partial \sigma} = \alpha \left(\Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda,\mu,\sigma) A(\mathbf{x}|\mu,f,\phi) \frac{\partial \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu,\sigma)}{\partial \sigma}\right) \tag{25}$$

$$+ \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu, \sigma) A(\mathbf{x}|\mu, f, \phi) \frac{\partial \Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda, \mu, \sigma)}{\partial \sigma}$$
 (26)

+ 
$$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu,\sigma) \Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda,\mu,\sigma) \frac{\partial A(\mathbf{x}|\mu,f,\phi)}{\partial \sigma}$$
 (27)

after applying the product rule.

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu, \sigma)}{\partial \sigma} = \frac{(\mathbf{x} - \mu)^2}{\sigma^3} \exp\left(-\frac{(\mathbf{x} - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$
(28)

$$\frac{\partial \Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda, \mu, \sigma)}{\partial \sigma} = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{\lambda(\mathbf{x} - \mu)}{\sigma^2} \exp\left(-\lambda^2 \frac{(\mathbf{x} - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \tag{29}$$

which can be simplified with  $\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$ . Differentiating the oscillating term w.r.t.  $\sigma$  writes

$$\frac{\partial A(\mathbf{x}|\mu, f, \phi)}{\partial \sigma} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma} \cos(2\pi f(\mathbf{x} - \mu) + \phi)$$
 (30)

so that

$$\frac{\partial A(\mathbf{x}|\mu, f, \phi)}{\partial \sigma} = 0 \tag{31}$$

## 2.3 Partial derivative w.r.t. $\lambda$

$$\frac{\partial m\left(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{x}\right)}{\partial \lambda} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} \left( \alpha \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu, \sigma) \Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda, \mu, \sigma) A(\mathbf{x}|\mu, f, \phi) \right) \tag{32}$$

which becomes

$$\frac{\partial m(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{x})}{\partial \lambda} = \alpha \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu, \sigma) A(\mathbf{x}|\mu, f, \phi) \frac{\partial \Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda, \mu, \sigma)}{\partial \lambda}$$
(33)

$$\frac{\partial \Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda, \mu, \sigma)}{\partial \lambda} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{\mathbf{x} - \mu}{\sigma} \exp\left(-\lambda^2 \frac{(\mathbf{x} - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$
(34)

which can be simplified with  $\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$ .

## 2.4 Partial derivative w.r.t. $\alpha$

$$\frac{\partial m\left(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{x}\right)}{\partial \alpha} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha} \alpha \left( \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x} | \mu, \sigma) \, \Phi(\mathbf{x} | \lambda, \mu, \sigma) \, A(\mathbf{x} | \mu, f, \phi) \right) \tag{35}$$

which becomes

$$\frac{\partial m\left(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{x}\right)}{\partial \alpha} = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu, \sigma) \,\Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda, \mu, \sigma) \,A(\mathbf{x}|\mu, f, \phi) \tag{36}$$

# 2.5 Partial derivative w.r.t. f

$$\frac{\partial m(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{x})}{\partial f} = \frac{\partial}{\partial f} \alpha \left( \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu, \sigma) \Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda, \mu, \sigma) A(\mathbf{x}|\mu, f, \phi) \right)$$
(37)

which becomes

$$\frac{\partial m\left(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{x}\right)}{\partial f} = \alpha \left(\Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda, \mu, \sigma) A(\mathbf{x}|\mu, f, \phi) \frac{\partial \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu, \sigma)}{\partial f} \right)$$
(38)

$$+ \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu,\sigma) A(\mathbf{x}|\mu,f,\phi) \frac{\partial \Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda,\mu,\sigma)}{\partial f}$$
(39)

$$+ \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu,\sigma) \Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda,\mu,\sigma) \frac{\partial A(\mathbf{x}|\mu,f,\phi)}{\partial f}$$
 (40)

Differentiating the oscillating term w.r.t. f writes

$$\frac{\partial A(\mathbf{x}|\mu, f, \phi)}{\partial \sigma} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma} \cos(2\pi f(\mathbf{x} - \mu) + \phi) \tag{41}$$

so that

$$\frac{\partial A(\mathbf{x}|\mu, f, \phi)}{\partial f} = 2\pi \left(\mu - \mathbf{x}\right) \sin(2\pi f(\mathbf{x} - \mu) + \phi) \tag{42}$$

## 2.6 Partial derivative w.r.t. $\phi$

$$\frac{\partial m\left(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{x}\right)}{\partial \phi} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \alpha \left( \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x} | \mu, \sigma) \, \Phi(\mathbf{x} | \lambda, \mu, \sigma) \, A(\mathbf{x} | \mu, f, \phi) \right) \tag{43}$$

which becomes

$$\frac{\partial m(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{x})}{\partial \phi} = \alpha \left( \Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda, \mu, \sigma) A(\mathbf{x}|\mu, f, \phi) \frac{\partial \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu, \sigma)}{\partial \phi} \right)$$
(44)

$$+ \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu, \sigma) A(\mathbf{x}|\mu, f, \phi) \frac{\partial \Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda, \mu, \sigma)}{\partial \phi}$$
 (45)

+ 
$$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu,\sigma) \Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda,\mu,\sigma) \frac{\partial A(\mathbf{x}|\mu,f,\phi)}{\partial \phi}$$
 (46)

Differentiating the oscillating term w.r.t.  $\phi$  writes

$$\frac{\partial A(\mathbf{x}|\mu, f, \phi)}{\partial \phi} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \cos(2\pi f(\mathbf{x} - \mu) + \phi)$$
(47)

so that

$$\frac{\partial A(\mathbf{x}|\mu, f, \phi)}{\partial \phi} = -\sin(2\pi f(\mathbf{x} - \mu) + \phi) \tag{48}$$

## 3 Jacobian Matrix

The Jacobian matrix  $\mathbf{J} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times P}$  with N samples and P variables writes

$$\mathbf{J} = \gamma \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial m(\mathbf{p}_{k}, x_{0})}{\partial \alpha} & \frac{\partial m(\mathbf{p}_{k}, x_{0})}{\partial \mu} & \frac{\partial m(\mathbf{p}_{k}, x_{0})}{\partial \sigma} & \frac{\partial m(\mathbf{p}_{k}, x_{0})}{\partial \lambda} & \frac{\partial m(\mathbf{p}_{k}, x_{0})}{\partial f} & \frac{\partial m(\mathbf{p}_{k}, x_{0})}{\partial \phi} \\ \frac{\partial m(\mathbf{p}_{k}, x_{1})}{\partial \alpha} & \frac{\partial m(\mathbf{p}_{k}, x_{1})}{\partial \mu} & \frac{\partial m(\mathbf{p}_{k}, x_{1})}{\partial \sigma} & \frac{\partial m(\mathbf{p}_{k}, x_{1})}{\partial \lambda} & \frac{\partial m(\mathbf{p}_{k}, x_{1})}{\partial f} & \frac{\partial m(\mathbf{p}_{k}, x_{0})}{\partial \phi} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial m(\mathbf{p}_{k}, \mathbf{x})}{\partial \alpha} & \frac{\partial m(\mathbf{p}_{k}, \mathbf{x})}{\partial \mu} & \frac{\partial m(\mathbf{p}_{k}, \mathbf{x})}{\partial \sigma} & \frac{\partial m(\mathbf{p}_{k}, \mathbf{x})}{\partial \lambda} & \frac{\partial m(\mathbf{p}_{k}, \mathbf{x})}{\partial f} & \frac{\partial m(\mathbf{p}_{k}, \mathbf{x})}{\partial \phi} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(49)$$

where the term  $\gamma = -2 (y - M(\mathbf{P}; \mathbf{x}))$  comes from the chain rule in Eq. (10). The Jacobian is used to update parameter estimates. This can be done in a Gauss-Newton update fashion as given by

$$\mathbf{p}_{k+1} = \mathbf{p}_k - \alpha \left( \mathbf{J}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{J} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{J}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{x} \tag{50}$$

# 4 Combined partial derivatives

$$\frac{\partial L\left(\mathbf{P}\right)}{\partial \mathbf{P}} = 2\left(M\left(\mathbf{P}; \mathbf{x}\right) - y\right) \frac{\partial m\left(\mathbf{p}_{k}, \mathbf{x}\right)}{\partial \mathbf{P}} \tag{51}$$

## 4.1 Partial derivative w.r.t. $\mu$

$$\frac{\partial m\left(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{x}\right)}{\partial \mu} = \alpha \left(\frac{\mathbf{x} - \mu}{\sigma^2} \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu, \sigma) \Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda, \mu, \sigma) A(\mathbf{x}|\mu, f, \phi)\right)$$
(52)

$$-\frac{\exp\left(-\lambda^2 \frac{(\mathbf{x}-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu,\sigma) A(\mathbf{x}|\mu,f,\phi)$$
 (53)

$$+2\pi f \sin(2\pi f(\mathbf{x}-\mu)+\phi) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu,\sigma) \Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda,\mu,\sigma)$$
 (54)

#### 4.2 Partial derivative w.r.t. $\sigma$

$$\frac{\partial m\left(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{x}\right)}{\partial \sigma} = \alpha \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu, \sigma) A(\mathbf{x}|\mu, f, \phi) \left( \frac{(\mathbf{x} - \mu)^2}{\sigma^3} \Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda, \mu, \sigma) - \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \frac{\lambda(\mathbf{x} - \mu)}{\sigma^2} \exp\left(-\lambda^2 \frac{(\mathbf{x} - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \right)$$
(55)

## 4.3 Partial derivative w.r.t. $\lambda$

$$\frac{\partial m\left(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{x}\right)}{\partial \lambda} = -\alpha \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu, \sigma) A(\mathbf{x}|\mu, f, \phi) \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \frac{\mathbf{x} - \mu}{\sigma} \exp\left(-\lambda^2 \frac{(\mathbf{x} - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \quad (56)$$

# 4.4 Partial derivative w.r.t. $\alpha$

$$\frac{\partial m(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{x})}{\partial \alpha} = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu, \sigma) \Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda, \mu, \sigma) A(\mathbf{x}|\mu, f, \phi)$$
 (57)

# 4.5 Partial derivative w.r.t. f

$$\frac{\partial m(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{x})}{\partial f} = \alpha \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x} | \mu, \sigma) \Phi(\mathbf{x} | \lambda, \mu, \sigma) 2\pi (\mu - \mathbf{x}) \sin(2\pi f(\mathbf{x} - \mu) + \phi)$$
 (58)

# 4.6 Partial derivative w.r.t. $\phi$

$$\frac{\partial m(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{x})}{\partial \phi} = -\alpha \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu, \sigma) \Phi(\mathbf{x}|\lambda, \mu, \sigma) \sin(2\pi f(\mathbf{x} - \mu) + \phi)$$
 (59)