

EM-algorithm for GMMs

This is the EM-algorithm as given by Murphy, "Machine Learning - A Probabilistic Approach", p 353.

assume data set \mathbf{X} with examples $\vec{x}_i, i = 1, \dots, N$ and K classes you want to cluster \mathbf{X} into.

EM-for-GMM(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{K})

1. Initialize $\theta_k^0 = (\pi_k^0, \vec{\mu}_k^0, \Sigma_k^0)$, where

π_k is the class prior for class k (e.g., assume uniform distribution here initially)

$\vec{\mu}_k$ are the means for the attribute values j in class k (e.g., the means over a random subset of the data)

Σ_k is the covariance for the attribute values in class k (can be simplified to variance σ_{jk}^2 for each attribute j if a

G-NBC is assumed as the model)

2. Iterate over E and M steps as follows:

E-step:

$$\text{compute } r_{ik}^t = \frac{\pi_k^{t-1} P(\vec{x}_i | \theta_k^{t-1})}{\sum_{k'} \pi_{k'}^{t-1} P(\vec{x}_i | \theta_{k'}^{t-1})} \text{ where } P(\vec{x}_i | \theta_k^{t-1}) = \prod_j \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(\sigma_{kj}^{t-1})^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2(\sigma_{kj}^{t-1})^2} (x_i - \mu_{kj}^{t-1})^2}, \text{ assuming}$$

that

the covariance can be substituted with σ_{jk}^2 for attribute j and class k .

M-step:

$$\text{compute } r_k^t = \sum_i r_{ik}^t \text{ and } \pi_k^t = \frac{r_k^t}{N}, \text{ then update the means and variances:}$$

$$\vec{\mu}_k^t = \frac{\sum_i r_{ik}^t \vec{x}_i}{r_k^t} \text{ and } \Sigma_k^t = \frac{\sum_i r_{ik}^t \vec{x}_i \vec{x}_i^T}{r_k^t} - \vec{\mu}_k^t \vec{\mu}_k^{tT} \text{ (from which the new } \sigma_{jk}^2 \text{ can be extracted)}$$

3. Stop, when the $\vec{\mu}_k$ and Σ_k are not changing significantly anymore.

EM-algorithm for k-Means

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k-Means(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{K})

1. Initialize $\vec{\mu}_k^0$, assume fixed class priors π_k
2. Iterate over E and M steps as follows:

E-step:

Assign each data point to its closest cluster centre: $z_i = \arg \min_k ||\vec{x}_i - \vec{\mu}_k||_2^2 = L_2(\vec{x}_i - \vec{\mu}_k)^2$

M-step:

Update each cluster centre by computing the means of all points assigned to it:

$$\vec{\mu}_k = \frac{1}{N_k} \sum_{i: z_i=k} \vec{x}_i$$

Until converged