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1 Assignment 4: Bayesian Mixture Models

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In this homework assignment we will investigate image segmentation —specifically, separating the background from the foreground of the image. To do so, you'll fit Bayesian mixtures of Gaussians using the expectation-maximization (EM) algorithm.

1.0.1 Background: Image Segmentation

The figure below shows the original input image and the resulting segmentations into background and foreground. By the end of this assignment, you will have implemented the algorithm to achieve this segmentation.

Reference on image segmentation: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Image segmentation

1.1 Model

We will use a simple mixture model to cluster the pixels (with the number of clusters K = 2 in our image segmentation problem). The likelihood is a mixture of Gaussian distributions.

$$x_n \mid z_n, \{\mu_k, \Sigma_k\}_{k=1}^K \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{z_n}, \Sigma_{z_n})$$
 (1)

$$z_n \mid \pi \sim \text{Categorical}(\pi)$$
 (2)

where $x_n \in \mathbb{R}^D$ is distributed according to a Gaussian distribution with the specified mean, μ_k , and covariance, Σ_k , for its corresponding cluster $z_n = k$, and z_n is distributed as a multinomial with hyperparameter π . We will represent the images as a set of N pixels, $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^N$, each in D=3 dimensional space, since there are three color channels (red, green, and blue).

We specify the following priors on μ_k , Σ_k , and π . - Assume a normal-inverse-Wishart prior prior for each cluster mean and covariance.

$$p(\mu_k, \Sigma_k) = \text{IW}(\Sigma_k \mid \Sigma_0, \nu_0) \,\mathcal{N}(\mu_k \mid \mu_0, \kappa_0^{-1} \Sigma_k)$$
(3)

Here $\Sigma_0, \nu_0, \mu_0, \kappa_0$ are hyper-parameters.

• We give a symmetric Dirichlet distribution prior to the mixing proportions, π :

$$p(\pi \mid \alpha) = \text{Dirichlet}(\alpha 1_K)$$

where 1_K is an all-ones vector of length K and α is a hyperparameter.

2 Problem 1 [math]: EM calculations

In this problem, you will derive the EM procedure for our Bayesian model. For notational simplicity, let

$$\theta = (\{\mu_k, \Sigma_k\}_{k=1}^K, \pi)$$

be the tuple of parameters we wish to estimate via EM. Let $\theta^{(i)}$ be the parameter value at iteration i. Recall the EM procedure is given by two steps:

• Expectation step (E-step): Compute

$$q_n(z_n) = p(z_n \mid x_n, \theta^{(i)}) \tag{4}$$

• Maximization step (M-step): Find new parameters

$$\theta^{(i+1)} = \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} \mathbb{E}_q[\log p(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}, \theta)]$$
 (5)

You will need these derivations to be correct for the implementation in Problem 2 to be correct, so we highly recommend taking the time to double-check them.

2.1 Problem 1a: Derive the posterior distribution for $q_n(z_n) = p(z_n|x_n, \theta)$.

We have straightforwardly, where p is the complete joint probability (likelihood + priors Λ):

$$p(z_n = k|x_n, \theta, \Lambda) \propto p(Z, X, \theta)$$
 (6)

$$= \prod_{m=1}^{N} p(z_m, x_m, \theta, \Lambda) \tag{7}$$

$$\propto p(z_n = k, x_n, \theta) p(\theta | \Lambda)$$
 (8)

$$\propto p(x_n|z_n = k, \theta)p(z_n|\theta)p(\theta|\Lambda) \tag{9}$$

$$\propto p(x_n|z_n = k, \theta)p(z_n|\theta) \tag{10}$$

$$= \mathcal{N}(x_n | z_n = k, \mu_{z_n}, \Sigma_{z_n}) \pi_{z_n} \tag{11}$$

$$= \mathcal{N}(x_n | \mu_k, \Sigma_k) \pi_k. \tag{12}$$

However, this is true for all $z_n = 1, ..., K$, and we know that probabilities sum to 1. Hence, we must have

$$\sum_{j=1}^{K} p(z_n = j | x_n, \theta, \Lambda) = 1.$$

The only way that we can have

$$p(z_n = k | x_n, \theta, \Lambda) \propto \mathcal{N}(x_n | \mu_k, \Sigma_k) \pi_k$$

and the aforementioned sum is if

$$p(z_n = k | x_n, \theta, \Lambda) = \frac{\mathcal{N}(x_n | \mu_k, \Sigma_k) \pi_k}{\sum_{j=1}^K \mathcal{N}(x_n | \mu_j, \Sigma_j) \pi_j}$$

This is our result.

2.2 Problem 1b: Derive the expected log probability

Show that

$$\mathbb{E}_{q}\left[\log p(X, Z, \theta)\right] = \underbrace{\sum_{k=1}^{K} \left[\sum_{n=1}^{N} \left[\omega_{nk} \log \mathcal{N}(x_n \mid \mu_k, \Sigma_k)\right] + \log p(\mu_k, \Sigma_k)\right]}_{\mathcal{L}_{1}(\mu, \Sigma)}$$
(13)

$$+\underbrace{\sum_{k=1}^{K} \left[\sum_{n=1}^{N} \left[\omega_{nk} \log \pi_{k} \right] + (\alpha_{k} - 1) \log \pi_{k} \right]}_{\mathcal{L}_{2}(\pi)} + C$$

$$(14)$$

for some constant C, where $\omega_{nk} = q_n(z_n = k)$, and where $\mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_2$ represent the terms in the expected log probability that depend on $\{\mu_k, \Sigma_k\}_{k=1}^K$ and π , respectively.

Initially treating Z as a vector (for each row), we have

$$E_{Z \sim q} \log p(X, Z, \theta) \propto E_{Z \sim q} \log \left[\left(\prod_{n=1}^{N} \prod_{k=1}^{K} [N(x_n | \mu_k, \Sigma_k) \pi_k]^{\delta(z_n = k)} \right) \prod_{k=1}^{K} p(\mu_k, \Sigma_k) \pi_k^{\alpha_k - 1} \right]$$
(15)

$$= E_{Z \sim q} \left[\left(\sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{k=1}^{K} \left[\delta(z_n = k) \log \mathcal{N}(x_n | \mu_k, \Sigma_k) + \delta(z_n = k) \log \pi_k \right] \right)$$
 (16)

$$+ \sum_{k=1}^{K} \log p(\mu_k, \Sigma_k) + (\alpha_k - 1) \log \pi_k \bigg] + C \tag{17}$$

$$= E_{Z \sim q} \left[\sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{k=1}^{K} \left[\delta(z_n = k) \log \mathcal{N}(x_n | \mu_k, \Sigma_k) + \delta(z_n = k) \log \pi_k \right] \right]$$
(18)

$$+ E_{Z \sim q} \left[\sum_{k=1}^{K} \log p(\mu_k, \Sigma_k) + (\alpha_k - 1) \log \pi_k \right] + C \tag{19}$$

$$= \left[\sum_{z_1}^K \sum_{z_2}^K \dots \sum_{z_n}^K \omega_{1,z_1} \dots \omega_{N,z_N} \sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^K [\delta(z_n = k) \log \mathcal{N}(x_n | \mu_k, \Sigma_k) + \right]$$
(20)

$$\delta(z_n = k) \log \pi_k] + \sum_{k=1}^{K} \log p(\mu_k, \Sigma_k) + (\alpha_k - 1) \log \pi_k + C$$
 (21)

$$= \left[\sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{z_n=1}^{K} \omega_{n,z_n} \sum_{k=1}^{K} [\delta(z_n = k) \log \mathcal{N}(x_n | \mu_k, \Sigma_k) + \delta(z_n = k) \log \pi_k] \right]$$
(22)

$$+ \sum_{k=1}^{K} \log p(\mu_k, \Sigma_k) + (\alpha_k - 1) \log \pi_k + C$$
 (23)

$$= \left[\sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{z=1}^{K} \omega_{n,z_n} [\log \mathcal{N}(x_n | \mu_k, \Sigma_k) + \log \pi_k] \right]$$
(24)

$$+ \sum_{k=1}^{K} \log p(\mu_k, \Sigma_k) + (\alpha_k - 1) \log \pi_k + C$$
 (25)

(26)

As desired.

2.3 Problem 1c: Expand \mathcal{L}_1 in exponential family form.

Show that $\log p(x_n \mid z_n = k, \mu_k, \Sigma_k)$ and $\log p(\mu_k, \Sigma_k)$ can be represented as the following:

$$\log p(x_n \mid z_n = k, \mu_k, \Sigma_k) = t(x_n)^{\mathsf{T}} \eta_k - A(\eta_k) + c \tag{27}$$

$$(28)$$

$$\log p(\mu_k, \Sigma_k) = \phi^{\mathsf{T}} \eta_k - \nu A(\eta_k) + c' \tag{29}$$

(30)

for some contants c, c', functions t, A (explicitly find these), hyperparameters ϕ , ν (explicitly find these), where,

$$\eta_k := \left(-\frac{1}{2} \log |\Sigma_k|, -\frac{1}{2} \Sigma_k^{-1}, \Sigma_k^{-1} \mu_k, -\frac{1}{2} \mu_k^\top \Sigma_k^{-1} \mu_k \right)$$

Deduce that \mathcal{L}_1 can be written as

$$\mathcal{L}_1(\mu, \Sigma) = \sum_{k=1}^K \left[\sum_{n=1}^N \left[\omega_{nk} (t(x_n)^\top \eta_k - A(\eta_k)) \right] + \phi^\top \eta_k - \nu A(\eta_k) \right] + c$$
 (31)

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{K} \left[\phi_k^{\mathsf{T}} \eta_k - \nu_k^{\mathsf{T}} A(\eta_k) \right] + c \tag{32}$$

with

$$\phi_k = \phi + \sum_{n=1}^{N} \omega_{n,k} t(x_n)$$
(33)

$$\nu_k = \nu + \sum_{n=1}^{N} \omega_{n,k} \tag{34}$$

$$\omega_{n,k} = q_n(z_n = k) \tag{35}$$

Conclude that each summand of \mathcal{L}_1 is the log-pdf (up to a constant) of some Normal-Inverse-Wishart (NIW) distribution of (μ_k, Σ_k) .

Likelihood. First, we have

$$\log p(x_n \mid z_n = k, \mu_k, \Sigma_k) = \log \mathcal{N}(x_n \mid \mu_k, \Sigma_k)$$
(36)

$$= -\frac{1}{2}\log|\Sigma_k| - \frac{1}{2}(x_n - \mu_k)^T \Sigma_k^{-1}(x_n = \mu_k)$$
 (37)

$$= -\frac{1}{2}\log|\Sigma_k| - \frac{1}{2}x_n^T \Sigma_k^{-1} x_n \tag{38}$$

$$+ x_n^T \Sigma_k^{-1} \mu_k - \frac{1}{2} \mu_k^T \Sigma_k^{-1} \mu_k \tag{39}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2}\log|\Sigma_k| + tr\{-\frac{1}{2}\Sigma_k^{-1}x_nx_n^T\}$$
 (40)

$$+ x_n^T \Sigma_k^{-1} \mu_k - \frac{1}{2} \mu_k^T \Sigma_k^{-1} \mu_k \tag{41}$$

$$= \eta_{k,1} + tr\{\eta_{k,2}x_nx_n^T\} + x_n^T\eta_{k,3} - \eta_{k,4}. \tag{42}$$

Hence, $A(\eta_k) = 0$, as well as $t(x)^T = [1, x_n x_n^T, x_n^T, 1]$ suffices, provided we are comfortable with the trace manipulation. If we are not comfortable with that, we could observe $tr\{\eta_{k,2}x_nx_n^T\} = vec(x_nx_n^T)^Tvec(\eta_{k,2})$, and proceed under a reparameterized $\tilde{\eta}_{2,k} = vec(\eta_{2,k})$ with $t(x)_2^T = vec(x_nx_n^T)$. But the relationship is generally clear.

Prior Next, for the NIW, we have

$$\log p(\mu_k, \Sigma_k) = \log \left[\frac{k_0^{D/2} |\Sigma_0|^{v_0/2}}{2^{(v_0+1)D/2\pi^{D/2}\Gamma_D(v_0/2)}} \right] - \frac{v_0 + D + 2}{2} \log |\Sigma_k|$$
(43)

$$-\frac{k_0}{2}\mu_k \Sigma_k^{-1} \mu_k + k_0 \mu_o^T \Sigma_k^{-1} \mu_k - \frac{k_0}{2} \mu_0 \Sigma_k^{-1} \mu_0$$
 (44)

$$-\frac{1}{2}tr\{\Sigma_0\Sigma_k^{-1}\}\tag{45}$$

$$= c' + (v_0 + D + 2) \cdot \eta_{k,1} + k_0 \eta_{k,4} + k_0 \mu_0 \eta_{k,3}$$

$$\tag{46}$$

$$+ k_0 tr\{\eta_{k,2} \mu_0 \mu_0^T\} - tr\{\Sigma_0 \eta_{k,2}\}$$
(47)

$$= c' + (v_0 + D + 2) \cdot \eta_{k,1} + k_0 \eta_{k,4} + k_0 \eta_{k,3}$$

$$\tag{48}$$

$$+ tr\{[k_0\mu_0\mu_0^T + \Sigma_0]\eta_{k,2}\}. \tag{49}$$

Hence, we may extract

$$\phi = [v_0 + D + 2, [k_0 \mu_0 \mu_0^T + \Sigma_0], k_0 \mu_0, k_0]$$

suffices, where A = 0 still and hence ν irrelevant.

Posterior Substituting these results into our form for the above, we have:

$$\mathcal{L}_{1} = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \left[\sum_{n=1}^{N} \left[\omega_{nk} \log p(x_{n} \mid \mu_{k}, \Sigma_{k}) \right] + \log p(\mu_{k}, \Sigma_{k}) \right]$$
(50)

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{K} \left[\sum_{n=1}^{N} \left[\omega_{nk} \log \mathcal{N}(x_n \mid \mu_k, \Sigma_k) \right] + \log p(\mu_k, \Sigma_k) \right]$$
(51)

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{K} \left[\sum_{n=1}^{N} \left[\omega_{nk} (t(x_n)^{\top} \eta_k - A(\eta_k)) \right] + \phi^{\top} \eta_k - \nu A(\eta_k) \right] + c + c'$$
 (52)

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{K} \left[\underbrace{\left(\sum_{n=1}^{N} \left[\omega_{nk} t(x_n)^{\top} \right] + \phi^T \right)}_{\phi_k} \eta_k - \underbrace{\left(\sum_{n=1}^{N} \left[\omega_{nk} \right] + \nu \right)}_{\nu_k} A(\eta_k) \right] + c + c'$$
 (53)

In other words, we get another exponential family form for a NIW, and by pattern matching, we

see

$$\phi_k^T = \left(\sum_{n=1}^N \left[\omega_{nk} t(x_n)^\top\right] + \phi^T\right) \tag{54}$$

$$= \left\langle \nu_0 + D + 2 + \sum_n \omega_{n,k}, \right. \tag{55}$$

$$\kappa_0 \mu_0 \mu_0^T + \Sigma_0 + \sum_n \omega_{n,k} x_n x_n^T, \tag{56}$$

$$\kappa_0 \mu_0^T + \sum_n \omega_{n,k} x_n^T, \tag{57}$$

$$\kappa_0 + \sum_n \omega_{n,k} \rangle. \tag{58}$$

These sufficient statistics define/induce our ν, Σ, μ, κ NIW parameters.

2.4 Problem 1d: Maximize \mathcal{L}_1 .

Find the mode of an NIW distribution for (μ, Σ) with parameters $(\Sigma_0, \nu_0, \kappa_0, \mu_0)$. Use this result and (c) to find the closed-form solution for maximizing \mathcal{L}_1 w.r.t. μ_k, Σ_k .

Consider a generic $NIW(\mu, \Sigma | \Sigma_0, \nu_0, \kappa_0, \mu_0)$. Straightforwardly – regardless of covariance structure, we know from the multivariate normal that

$$\mu^* = \mu_0$$
,

as for any Σ' (MAP or not), we have

$$\mu^* = \underset{\mu}{\arg \max} p_N(\mu | \mu_0, \Sigma') p_{IW}(\Sigma' | \Sigma_0, \nu_0, \kappa_0) = \underset{\mu}{\arg \max} p_N(\mu | \mu_0, \Sigma') = \mu_0,$$

which just reduces to the mode of an MVN.

The covariance is more involved. However, we know that at the MAP (μ^*, σ^*) , it will still be the case that $\mu^* = \mu_0$, so we plug-in:

$$\Sigma^* = \underset{\Sigma}{\operatorname{arg\,max}} p_{NIW}(\mu, \Sigma | \Sigma_0, \nu_0, \kappa_0, \mu_0)$$
(59)

$$= \arg\max_{\Sigma} \log p_{NIW}(\mu, \Sigma | \Sigma_0, \nu_0, \kappa_0, \mu_0)$$
(60)

$$= \underset{\Sigma}{\operatorname{arg\,max}} \left[\log p_N(\mu|\Sigma) + \log p_{IW}(\Sigma|\Sigma_0, \nu_0, \kappa_0) \right]$$
(61)

$$= \underset{\Sigma}{\arg \max} \left[C + \log[|\Sigma|^{-1/2}] - \frac{1}{2} \exp(\mu^* - \mu_0)^T \Sigma^{-1} (\mu^* - \mu_0) \right]$$
 (62)

$$+\log p_{IW}(\Sigma|\Sigma_0,\nu_0,\kappa_0)$$
 (63)

$$= \underset{\Sigma}{\operatorname{arg\,max}} \left[C + \log[|\Sigma|^{-1/2}] - \frac{1}{2} \exp(\mu_0 - \mu_0)^T \Sigma^{-1} (\mu_0 - \mu_0) \right]$$
 (64)

$$+\log p_{IW}(\Sigma|\Sigma_0,\nu_0,\kappa_0)$$
 (65)

$$= \underset{\Sigma}{\operatorname{arg\,max}} \left[C + -\frac{1}{2} \log |\Sigma| + \log p_{IW}(\Sigma | \Sigma_0, \nu_0, \kappa_0) \right]$$
(66)

$$= \arg\max_{\Sigma} \left[C - \frac{1}{2} \log |\Sigma| + C' - \frac{\nu_0 + D + 1}{2} \log |\Sigma_k| - \frac{1}{2} tr(\exp(\Sigma_0 \Sigma^{-1})) \right]$$
 (67)

$$= \arg\max_{\Sigma} \left[C'' - \frac{\nu_0 + D + 2}{2} \log |\Sigma_k| - \frac{1}{2} tr(\exp(\Sigma_0 \Sigma^{-1})) \right].$$
 (68)

Now, this is the argmax over the log-kernel of a $NIW(\Sigma_0, \nu_0 + 1, \kappa_0)$. And from here, we take the mode of a NIW, i.e.

$$\frac{1}{\nu_0 + D + 2} \Sigma_0.$$

By straightforward pattern matching, we can then extract:

- $\tilde{\nu}_k = \nu_0 + \sum_n \omega_{n,k}$
- $\tilde{\kappa}_k = \kappa_0 + \sum_n \omega_{n,k}$
- $\tilde{\mu}_k = \frac{1}{\tilde{\kappa}_k} \sum_n \omega_{n,k} x_n$
- $\tilde{\Sigma}_k = \Sigma_0 + \kappa_0 \mu_0 \mu_0^T \tilde{\kappa}_k \tilde{\mu}_k \tilde{\mu}_k^T + \sum_n \omega_{n,k} x_n x_n^T$

These formulae can be readily vectorized across k = 1, ..., K; notably, it may be helpful to think of the $\sum_{n} \omega_{n,k}$ as "soft" counts or sums.

2.5 Problem 1e: Maximize \mathcal{L}_2 .

Find the maximizing solution π^* of \mathcal{L}_2 .

From the log-likelihood/density above, we first have

$$\mathcal{L}_2 = \sum_{k} \left[\sum_{n} \omega_{n,k} \log \pi_k \right] \log \pi_k + (\alpha_k - 1) \log \pi_k \tag{69}$$

$$= \sum_{k} \left(\alpha_k - 1 + \sum_{n} \omega_{n,k} \right) \log \pi_k. \tag{70}$$

Hence, wrt a particular k, we get

$$\frac{d\mathcal{L}_2}{d\pi_k} = \frac{\left(\alpha_k - 1 + \sum_n \omega_{n,k}\right)}{\pi_k}$$

However, as this is a discrete probability, we also have the constraint that

$$\sum_{k} \pi_k = 1.$$

Thus, for the purposes of a Lagrangian, we introduce

$$s(\pi) = \sum_{k} \pi_{k} \implies s(\pi) = 1, \nabla_{\pi} s(\pi) = \vec{1}$$

and proceed to solve fixed points of

$$\mathcal{L}_2(\pi) - \lambda s(\pi)$$
.

This is achieved via diffentiation:

$$0 = \nabla_{\pi} \mathcal{L}_2(\pi) - \lambda \vec{1},$$

which gives a system of equations of the form

$$\frac{\left(\alpha_k - 1 + \sum_n \omega_{n,k}\right)}{\pi_k} = \lambda$$

$$\Longrightarrow$$

$$\left(\alpha_k - 1 + \sum_n \omega_{n,k}\right) = \lambda \pi_k$$

$$\Longrightarrow$$

$$\sum_j \lambda \pi_j = \lambda \sum_j \pi_j = \lambda$$

and

$$\sum_{j=1}^{K} \lambda \pi_{j} = \lambda \sum_{j=1}^{K} \left(\alpha_{j} - 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{K} \omega_{n,j} \right) = \lambda.$$

This gives the desired

$$\pi_k = \frac{\left(\alpha_k - 1 + \sum_n \omega_{n,k}\right)}{\sum_j^K \left(\alpha_j - 1 + \sum_n \omega_{n,j}\right)}.$$

3 Problem 2 [code]: Implement EM for the Gaussian mixture model

We have provided starter code below. First, you need to fill it with your own implementation of the EM algorithm. This entails writing three functions: 1. $log_probability$, which computes the log probability $log_p(X, \theta)$ 2. e_step , which computes the posteriors $q_n(z_n)$ for each data point, fixing the current parameters. 3. m_step , which returns new parameters, fixing the current posteriors.

Then, you will test your code on a simple example, using the code we have proved.

You may not rely on external implementations such as those offered by Tensorflow or scikit-learn.

3.1 Setup

```
[1]: import torch
from torch.distributions import MultivariateNormal, Categorical, Dirichlet

from tqdm.auto import trange
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from matplotlib.patches import Ellipse
import matplotlib.transforms as transforms
```

3.2 Helpers

We have provided a helper function to compute the inverse Wishart log probability since this is not one of the standard distributions in torch.distributions.

```
[2]: def invwishart_log_prob(Sigma, nu0, Sigma0):
         Helper function to compute the inverse Wishart log probability, since its
         not given in torch.distributions.
         Args:
                     (..., D, D) batch of covariance matrices
         Sigma:
                     scalar degree of freedom of inverse Wishart distribution
         nu0:
                     (D, D) scale matrix for inverse Wishart distribution
         Sigma0:
         Returns:
                     (...,) a batch of log probabilities
         lp:
         D = Sigma.shape[-1]
         assert Sigma.shape[-2:] == (D, D)
         assert SigmaO.shape[-2:] == (D, D)
         nu0 = torch.tensor(nu0)
```

3.3 Problem 2a: Implement the log_probability function.

```
[3]: def log_probability(X, mus, Sigmas, pi,
                       alpha, mu0, kappa0, nu0, Sigma0):
        11 11 11
        Compute the log probability \log p(X, \theta), summing over the discrete
        cluster assignments.
        Hint: You may use the invwishart_log_prob function above.
        Hint: You may also want to use torch.logsumexp to do the sum over z.
        Args:
        - X:
                  (N, D) tensor of data points.
        - mus: (K, D) tensor of cluster means.
        - Sigmas: (K, D, D) tensor of cluster covariances.
                (K,) tensor of cluster weights.
        - pi:
        - alpha: (K,) concentration of the Dirichlet prior.
        - muO: (D,) tensor with the prior mean.
        - kappa0: scalar prior precision
        - nu0: scalar prior degrees of freedom
        - Sigma0: (D, D) tensor of prior scale of the covariance.
        Returns:
        - lp:
                  scalar log probability of the data and parameters, summing over
                   the discrete latent variables
        11 11 11
        lp = 0
        K, D = mus.shape
        N = X.shape[0]
        ### Part 1: the likelihood part ###
```

```
\# X: (N, D) \longrightarrow (N, K, D)
  X_{cast} = X.repeat(K, 1, 1).swapaxes(0, 1)
  # log of the normal likelihood
  log_lik_xn = torch.distributions.MultivariateNormal(
      loc=mus.unsqueeze(0), # mu: (K, D) --> (1, K, D)
      covariance_matrix=Sigmas.unsqueeze(0) # cov: (K, D, D) --> (1, K, D, D)
  ).log_prob(X_cast) # --> (N, K)
  # log of the mixing param
  log_pi = torch.log(pi.repeat(N, 1))
  # the two things multiplied together: pi_k * N(x_n \mid mu_k, Sigma_k)
  assert log_pi.shape == log_lik_xn.shape
  log_lik_softcluster = torch.add(log_pi, log_lik_xn) # (N, K)
  # logsumexp: note it sums over rows
  log_lik = torch.logsumexp(log_lik_softcluster, 1) # --> (N, ); still have to_
\rightarrow take outer n sum
  ######################################
  ### Part 2: NIW prior ###
  ######################################
  # log_norm_prior = torch.distributions.MultivariateNormal()
  log_norm_prior = torch.distributions.MultivariateNormal(loc=mu0,__
→covariance_matrix=Sigma0 / kappa0).log_prob(mus)
  log_iw_prior = invwishart_log_prob(Sigmas, nu0, Sigma0)
  assert log_norm_prior.shape == log_iw_prior.shape
  log_niw_prior = torch.add(log_norm_prior, log_iw_prior)
  ### Part 3: Dirichlet prior ###
  log_dir_prior = torch.distributions.Dirichlet(alpha).log_prob(pi)
  ### put it all together ###
  lp = (
      log_lik.sum()
      + log_niw_prior.sum()
      + log_dir_prior
  return lp
```

3.4 Problem 2b: Implement the e_step function

```
[4]: def e_step(X, mus, Sigmas, pi):
         Perform one E step to compute the posterior
             q_n(z_n) = p(z_n \mid x_n, \ \ theta)
         for each data point.
         Args:
         - X:
                     (N, D) tensor of data points
         - mus:
                    (K, D) tensor of cluster means
         - Sigmas: (K, D, D) tensor of cluster covariances
                    (K,) tensor of cluster weights
         - pi:
         Returns:
         - Q:
                     (N, K) tensor of responsibilities; i.e. posterior probabilities.
                     Each row should be non-negative and sum to one
         11 11 11
         N, D = X.shape
         K, _ = mus.shape
         q = torch.zeros((N, K))
         log_normal = torch.distributions.MultivariateNormal(
             loc=mus, #.unsqueeze(0), # (K, D)
             covariance_matrix=Sigmas # (K, D, D)
         ).log prob(
             X.unsqueeze(1) # (N, 1, D)
         )
         log_pi = torch.log(pi).unsqueeze(0) # (1, K)
         logits = torch.add(log_normal, log_pi) # (N, K)
         q_new = torch.nn.functional.softmax(logits)
         return q_new
```

3.5 Problem 2c: Implement the m_step function

```
- kappa0: scalar prior precision
              scalar prior degrees of freedom
   - nuO:
   - Sigma0:
              (D, D) tensor of prior scale of the covariance
   Returns:
              (K, D) new means for each cluster
   - mus:
   - Sigmas: (K, D, D) new covariances for each cluster
           (K,) new cluster probabilities
   - pi:
   HHHH
   N, D = X.shape
   _{,} K = q.shape
   ### parameterize the NIW ###
   ### X.T @ W @ X, but W is a K-dim diagonal
   WX = torch.mul(
       X.unsqueeze(2), # (N, D, 1)
       q.unsqueeze(1) # (N, 1, K)
   ) # --> (N, D, K); listcomp over K
   XTWX = torch.stack([X.T @ WX[:, :, k] for k in range(K)])
   ### K is the first dimension everywhere
   ### v': v0 + \sum \{n\} w \{n, k\}
   nu_post = nu0 + q.sum(axis=0) # (K, ) # + D + 2
   assert nu post.shape == torch.Size([K])
   ### k': k0 + \sum_{n} w_{n}, k
   kappa_post = kappa0 + q.sum(axis=0) # (K, )
   assert kappa_post.shape == torch.Size([K])
   ### u': (1 / k') * (k0u0 + \sum_{n} \{n\}w_{n}, k\} x_{n}
   mu_post = kappa0 * mu0 + torch.mul(
       q.T.unsqueeze(2), # (K, N, 1)
       X.unsqueeze(0) # (1, N, D)
   ).sum(axis=1) # --> (K, D)
   mu_post = torch.divide(mu_post, kappa_post.unsqueeze(1)) # (K, D) / (K, 1)__
\hookrightarrow --> (K, D)
   assert mu_post.shape == torch.Size([K, D])
   ### Sigma': Sigma0 + k0u0u0^T + \sum_{n}w\{n, k\}x_nx_n^T - k'uu'
   Sigma_post = torch.add(
       \# (D, D) \rightarrow (1, D, D)
       torch.add(Sigma0, kappa0 * torch.outer(mu0, mu0)).unsqueeze(0),
```

```
\# (K, D, D)
       # torch.stack([X.T @ torch.diag(qk) @ X for qk in q.T])
       XTWX
   ) # -> (K, D, D)
   assert Sigma_post.shape == torch.Size([K, D, D])
   kuuT= torch.stack(
       [ # my nonclever attempt after failing at broadcasting
           kappa_post[k] * torch.outer(mu_post[k], mu_post[k])
           for k in range(K)
       ]
   ) # (K, D, D)
   assert kuuT.shape == torch.Size([K, D, D])
   Sigma_post = torch.add(Sigma_post, -kuuT) # (K, D, D)
   mus_map = mu_post
   Sigmas_map = torch.mul(
       # + 2 for MAP
       (1. / (nu_post + D + torch.tensor(2.))).unsqueeze(1).unsqueeze(2), # (K,__
\hookrightarrow 1, 1)
       Sigma post # (K, D, D)
   ) # --> (K, D, D)
   ### Pi ###
   pi_unnorm = q.sum(axis=0) + alpha - torch.tensor(1.) # (K, )
   pi_map = torch.divide(pi_unnorm, torch.sum(pi_unnorm))
   return mus_map, Sigmas_map, pi_map
```

3.6 EM function [given]

We've provided an em function to run EM on a given dataset with the specified hyperparameters.

```
Arqs:
- X: Matrix of size (N, D). Each row of X stores one data point
- K: the desired number of clusters in the model. Default: 2
- n_iter: number of iterations of EM. Default: 100
- alpha0: prior concentration of cluster probabilities
- muO, kappaO, nuO, SigmaO: parameters of normal-inverse-Wishart prior.
    Their shapes must be consistent with D, the data dimension.
Returns:
- mus: cluster means
- Sigmas: cluster covariances
- pi: cluster assignment probabilities
- q: posterior probability of Z \mid X, mus, Sigmas, pi with final params.
N, D = X.shape
assert alpha.shape == (K,)
assert mu0.shape == (D,)
assert SigmaO.shape == (D, D)
hypers = (alpha, mu0, kappa0, nu0, Sigma0)
# Initialize cluster parameters
pi = alpha / torch.sum(alpha)
mus = X[Categorical(logits=torch.zeros(N)).sample((K,))]
Sigmas = Sigma0.repeat(K, 1, 1)
# Initialize log prob outputs
lps = []
# Run EM
for _ in trange(n_iter):
    if debug_verbose:
      print("entering E=step")
    q = e_step(X, mus, Sigmas, pi)
    if debug_verbose:
      print("survived E-step")
      print("entering logprob")
    lp_iter = log_probability(X, mus, Sigmas, pi, *hypers)
    lps.append(lp iter)
    if debug_verbose:
      print(f"survived logprob: {lp_iter}")
      print("entering M-step")
    mus, Sigmas, pi = m_step(X, q, *hypers)
    if debug_verbose:
      print("survived m-step")
# Run one last E-step to tighten the bound
```

```
q = e_step(X, mus, Sigmas, pi)
lps.append(log_probability(X, mus, Sigmas, pi, *hypers))
return torch.tensor(lps), mus, Sigmas, pi, q
```

3.7 Test your implementation on a toy dataset

Test your example on a synthetic data set.

For example, the ground truth could be two clusters, with means [5,5] and [8,8] with identity covariance matrices, respectively. You could generate 100 points in each cluster.

Whichever example you choose, be sure to specify it and show that your implementation roughly recovers the ground truth by displaying the cluster means/covariances.

```
[18]: def confidence ellipse(mean, cov, ax, n_std=3.0, facecolor='none', **kwargs):
          Modified from: https://matplotlib.org/3.5.0/gallery/\
              statistics/confidence_ellipse.html
          Create a plot of the covariance confidence ellipse of *x* and *y*.
          Parameters
          _____
          mean: vector-like, shape (n,)
              Mean vector.
          cov : matrix-like, shape (n, n)
              Covariance matrix.
          ax : matplotlib.axes.Axes
              The axes object to draw the ellipse into.
          n_std:float
              The number of standard deviations to determine the ellipse's radiuses.
          **kwarqs
              Forwarded to `~matplotlib.patches.Ellipse`
          Returns
          \it matplotlib.patches.Ellipse
          mmm
          # compute the 2D covariance ellipse
          pearson = cov[0, 1] / torch.sqrt(cov[0, 0] * cov[1, 1])
          ell_radius_x = torch.sqrt(1 + pearson)
          ell_radius_y = torch.sqrt(1 - pearson)
          ellipse = Ellipse((0, 0),
```

```
width=ell_radius_x * 2,
                      height=ell_radius_y * 2,
                      facecolor=facecolor,
                      **kwargs)
    # Calculating the standard deviation
    # the square root of the variance and multiplying
    # with the given number of standard deviations.
    scale = torch.sqrt(torch.diag(cov) * n_std)
    # Transform the ellipse by rotating, scaling, and translating
    transf = transforms.Affine2D() \
        .rotate deg(45) \
        .scale(*scale) \
        .translate(*mean)
    ellipse.set_transform(transf + ax.transData)
    # Add the patch to the axis
    return ax.add_patch(ellipse)
def test_toy(seed=305+ord('c'),
             n_test=200,
             mus=torch.Tensor([[5,5], [8,8]]),
             covs=torch.eye(2).repeat(2,1,1),
             K=2.
             n_iter=300,
             ):
    K, D = mus.shape
    assert covs.shape == (K, D, D)
    # Generate n test random data points from each of K classes and combine
    torch.manual_seed(seed)
    X = MultivariateNormal(mus, covs).sample((n_test,)).reshape(-1, D)
    # Run the EM algorithm
    em_results = em(X, K=K, n_iter=n_iter,
                    alpha=torch.ones(K),
                    mu0=torch.zeros(D),
                    kappa0=1.0,
                    nu0=3.0,
                    Sigma0=torch.eye(D))
    # Return data and results
    return (X, *em_results)
```

In the toy example, I run into the dreaded PSD error; however, things work out during full-on

segmentation a bit later on.

```
[19]: K = 2
      X, lps, means, covs, probs, q = test_toy(K=K)
      # display the results
      for k in range(K):
          print("Cluster ", k, ":")
          print("\t mu: ", means[k,:])
          print("\t Sigma: ", covs[k,:,:])
          print("\t probs: ", probs[k])
          print("")
      # Plot the log probabilities over EM iterations
      plt.figure()
      plt.plot(lps[1:])
      plt.xlabel("EM iteration")
     plt.ylabel("log probability")
      # create a second figure to plot the clustered data
      fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(6, 6))
      # plot scatter
      ax.scatter(X[:,0], X[:,1], c=torch.argmax(q, 1), marker='.')
      for i in range(K):
        # plot mean as red dots
       ax.scatter(means[i,0], means[i,1], c='red')
        # plot covariance ellipses
        confidence_ellipse(means[i,:], covs[i], ax, n_std=1,
                           edgecolor='red', linestyle=':')
        confidence_ellipse(means[i,:], covs[i], ax, n_std=2,
                           edgecolor='red', linestyle=':')
```

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```
ValueError Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-19-b0d7442b71ab> in <module>()
```

```
1 K = 2
  ----> 2 X, lps, means, covs, probs, q = test_toy(K=K)
         4 # display the results
         5 for k in range(K):
       <ipython-input-18-5750d89a5253> in test_toy(seed, n_test, mus, covs, K,__
\rightarrown_iter)
        69
                               kappa0=1.0,
        70
                               nu0=3.0,
   ---> 71
                               Sigma0=torch.eye(D))
        72
               # Return data and results
        73
       <ipython-input-17-a07bc6fea1e5> in em(X, K, n_iter, alpha, mu0, kappa0, __
→nu0, Sigma0, debug_verbose)
        44
                   if debug_verbose:
                     print("entering E=step")
        45
   ---> 46
                   q = e_step(X, mus, Sigmas, pi)
        47
                   if debug_verbose:
                     print("survived E-step")
        48
       <ipython-input-4-66c9fc7a5509> in e_step(X, mus, Sigmas, pi)
               log_normal = torch.distributions.MultivariateNormal(
        24
                   loc=mus, #.unsqueeze(0), # (K, D)
   ---> 25
                   covariance_matrix=Sigmas # (K, D, D)
               ).log prob(
        26
                   X.unsqueeze(1) # (N, 1, D)
        27
       /usr/local/lib/python3.7/dist-packages/torch/distributions/
→multivariate_normal.py in __init__(self, loc, covariance_matrix,_
→precision_matrix, scale_tril, validate_args)
       144
       145
                   event_shape = self.loc.shape[-1:]
   --> 146
                   super(MultivariateNormal, self).__init__(batch_shape,__
→event_shape, validate_args=validate_args)
       147
       148
                   if scale_tril is not None:
       /usr/local/lib/python3.7/dist-packages/torch/distributions/distribution.
→py in __init__(self, batch_shape, event_shape, validate_args)
                           if not valid.all():
```

```
raise ValueError(
        55
   ---> 56
                                   f"Expected parameter {param} "
                                   f"({type(value).__name__}) of shape__
        57
→{tuple(value.shape)}) "
        58
                                   f"of distribution {repr(self)} "
       ValueError: Expected parameter covariance_matrix (Tensor of shape (2, 2, __
→2)) of distribution MultivariateNormal(loc: torch.Size([2, 2]),
→covariance_matrix: torch.Size([2, 2, 2])) to satisfy the constraint ∪
→PositiveDefinite(), but found invalid values:
   tensor([[[1.0731, 0.1019],
            [0.1019, 1.1480]],
           [[1.2938, 0.4946],
            [0.4946, 1.2446]])
```

4 Problem 3: Perform image segmentation

All you have to do for this part is run the code we've provided below to test your EM implementation on a couple image segmentation problems and then answer the discussion questions below.

Now that you have implemented the EM algorithm, you are ready to perform image segmentation! First, we'll download some test images.

```
[20]: # First, download the files from the github page
!wget -nc https://raw.githubusercontent.com/slinderman/stats305c/main/
→assignments/hw4/images/fox.png
!wget -nc https://raw.githubusercontent.com/slinderman/stats305c/main/
→assignments/hw4/images/cow.png
!wget -nc https://raw.githubusercontent.com/slinderman/stats305c/main/
→assignments/hw4/images/owl.png
!wget -nc https://raw.githubusercontent.com/slinderman/stats305c/main/
→assignments/hw4/images/zebra.png
```

```
File 'fox.png' already there; not retrieving.

File 'cow.png' already there; not retrieving.

File 'owl.png' already there; not retrieving.

File 'zebra.png' already there; not retrieving.
```

Next, we've written some helper functions to run your EM code to segment the images, print summaries of the results, and make some nice plots.

```
[22]: def load_image(filename):
          image = plt.imread(filename + ".png")[:, :, :3]
          plt.imshow(image)
          # get height, width and number of channels
          H, W, C = image.shape
          X = image.copy().astype(float)
          # reshape into pixels, each has 3 channels (RGB)
          X = X.reshape((H * W, C))
          return image, torch.Tensor(X)
      def save_segmentation(image, assignments, filename=None, K=2):
          import numpy as np
          fig, axs = plt.subplots(1, K + 1, figsize=(4 * (K + 1), 4))
          axs[0].imshow(image)
          axs[0].set_axis_off()
          axs[0].set_title("original image")
          for k in range(K):
              im = image.copy()
              im[assignments != k] = np.nan
              axs[k+1].imshow(im)
              axs[k+1].set_axis_off()
              axs[k+1].set_title("component {}".format(k))
          if filename is not None:
              plt.savefig(filename)
      def run segmentation(filename,
                           seed=305 + ord('c'),
                           n_iter=100,
                           alpha=100):
          # Load the specified image
          image, X = load_image(filename)
          # Run EM on a GMM with K classes
          torch.manual_seed(seed)
          lps, means, covs, probs, q = em(X, K=K, n_iter=100,
                                          alpha=alpha * torch.ones(K))
          assignments = torch.argmax(q, axis=1).reshape(image.shape[:2])
          # Print the results
```

4.1 Finally, run the segmentation for each image

Please run all of these cells! It should only take a few seconds for each cell to complete. E.g. our reference implementation takes 21 seconds for fox, 4 seconds for cow, 2 seconds for owl, and 12 seconds for zebra.

Note For kicks and giggles, I'm running it for both K=2 and K=3. Mostly just out of curiosity.

```
[23]: run_segmentation("fox")

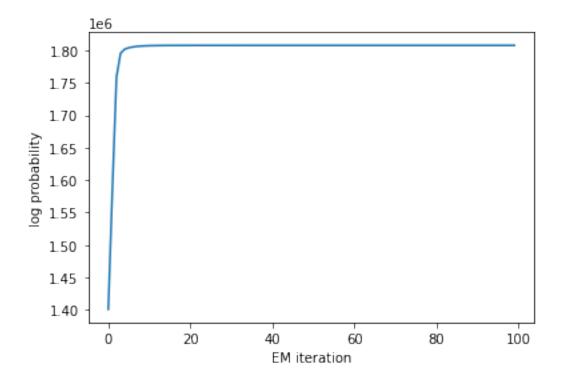
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```

```
fox results:
Cluster 0:
    mu: tensor([0.5875, 0.5562, 0.3118])
    Sigma: tensor([[0.0343, 0.0257, 0.0241],
        [0.0257, 0.0264, 0.0185],
        [0.0241, 0.0185, 0.0273]])
        probs: tensor(0.1218)

Cluster 1:
    mu: tensor([0.3568, 0.4360, 0.1374])
    Sigma: tensor([[0.0359, 0.0401, 0.0133],
        [0.0401, 0.0452, 0.0147],
        [0.0133, 0.0147, 0.0058]])
```

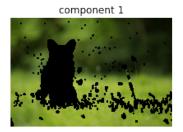
probs: tensor(0.8782)









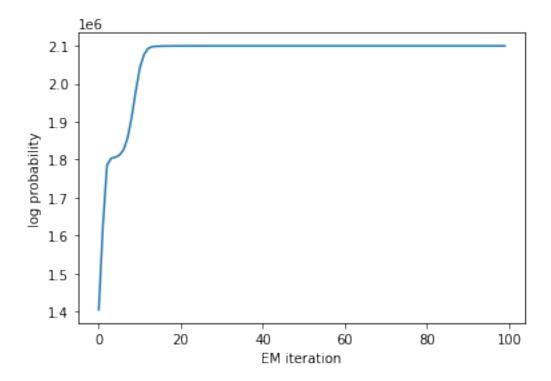


```
[24]: run_segmentation("fox", K=3)

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```

```
fox results:
Cluster 0:
                tensor([0.5657, 0.5048, 0.3228])
        mu:
        Sigma: tensor([[0.0477, 0.0375, 0.0314],
        [0.0375, 0.0330, 0.0288],
        [0.0314, 0.0288, 0.0286]])
        probs: tensor(0.1034)
Cluster 1:
                tensor([0.5370, 0.6366, 0.2015])
        mu:
        Sigma: tensor([[0.0058, 0.0051, 0.0028],
        [0.0051, 0.0046, 0.0022],
        [0.0028, 0.0022, 0.0032]])
        probs: tensor(0.4393)
Cluster 2:
        mu:
                tensor([0.1979, 0.2598, 0.0803])
        Sigma: tensor([[0.0096, 0.0119, 0.0039],
        [0.0119, 0.0149, 0.0048],
        [0.0039, 0.0048, 0.0020]])
        probs: tensor(0.4573)
```











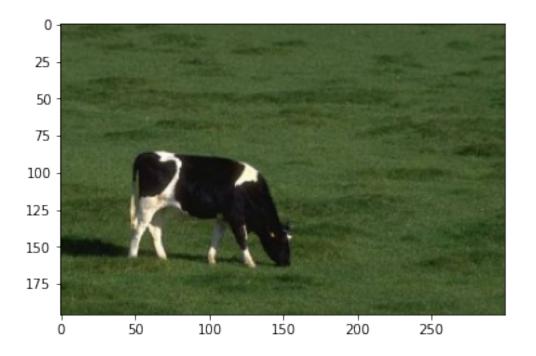


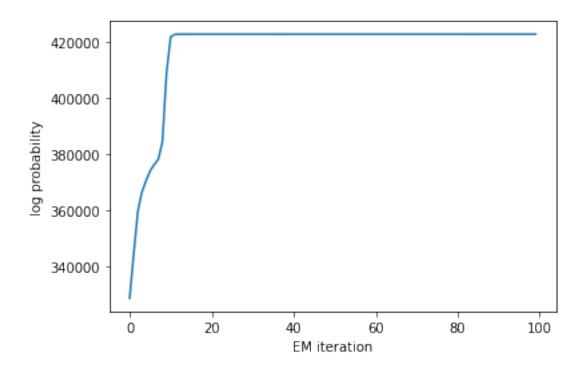
```
[25]: run_segmentation("cow")
```

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```

```
cow results:
Cluster 0:
    mu: tensor([0.2453, 0.2477, 0.1971])
    Sigma: tensor([[0.0673, 0.0650, 0.0578],
    [0.0650, 0.0637, 0.0559],
    [0.0578, 0.0559, 0.0511]])
    probs: tensor(0.1191)

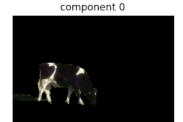
Cluster 1:
    mu: tensor([0.2692, 0.3443, 0.1840])
    Sigma: tensor([[0.0015, 0.0014, 0.0013],
    [0.0014, 0.0014, 0.0013],
    [0.0013, 0.0013, 0.0014]])
    probs: tensor(0.8809)
```

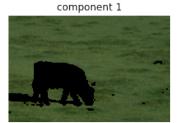




original image







[26]: run_segmentation("cow", K=3)

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/usr/local/lib/python3.7/dist-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:31: UserWarning: Implicit dimension choice for softmax has been deprecated. Change the call to include dim=X as an argument.

cow results:

Cluster 0:

mu: tensor([0.6680, 0.6543, 0.5647])
Sigma: tensor([[0.0645, 0.0599, 0.0584],
[0.0599, 0.0574, 0.0554],
[0.0584, 0.0554, 0.0563]])
probs: tensor(0.0265)

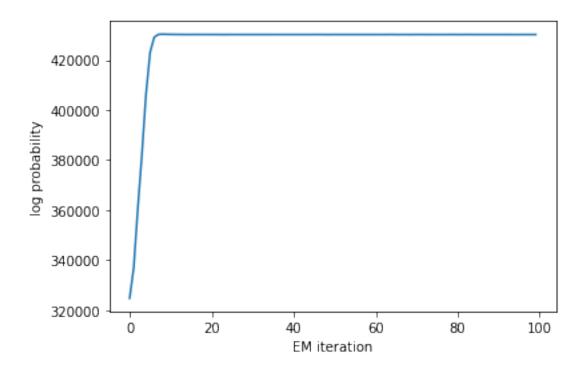
Cluster 1:

mu: tensor([0.1390, 0.1494, 0.1009])
Sigma: tensor([[0.0077, 0.0084, 0.0048],
[0.0084, 0.0103, 0.0052],
[0.0048, 0.0052, 0.0038]])
probs: tensor(0.1013)

Cluster 2:

mu: tensor([0.2695, 0.3448, 0.1844])
Sigma: tensor([[0.0014, 0.0014, 0.0013],
[0.0014, 0.0014, 0.0013],
[0.0013, 0.0013, 0.0013]])
probs: tensor(0.8722)











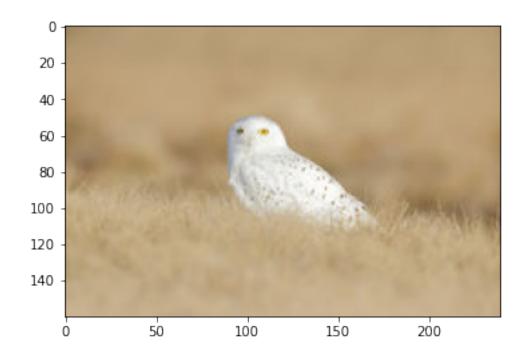


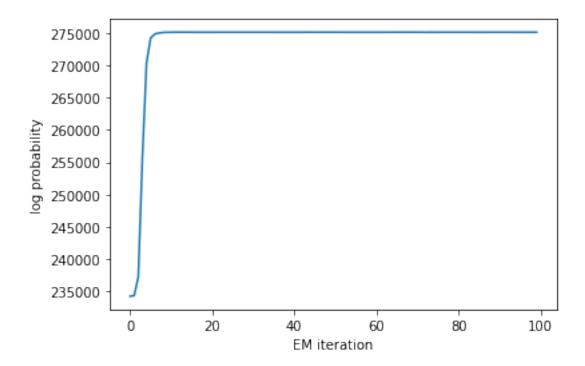
[27]: run_segmentation("owl")

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```

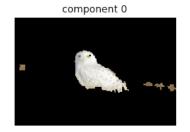
```
owl results:
Cluster 0:
    mu: tensor([0.8054, 0.7737, 0.7144])
    Sigma: tensor([[0.0184, 0.0223, 0.0272],
    [0.0223, 0.0285, 0.0351],
    [0.0272, 0.0351, 0.0458]])
    probs: tensor(0.0969)

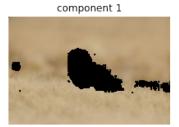
Cluster 1:
    mu: tensor([0.7371, 0.6383, 0.4863])
    Sigma: tensor([[0.0014, 0.0016, 0.0017],
    [0.0016, 0.0019, 0.0020],
    [0.0017, 0.0020, 0.0023]])
    probs: tensor(0.9031)
```







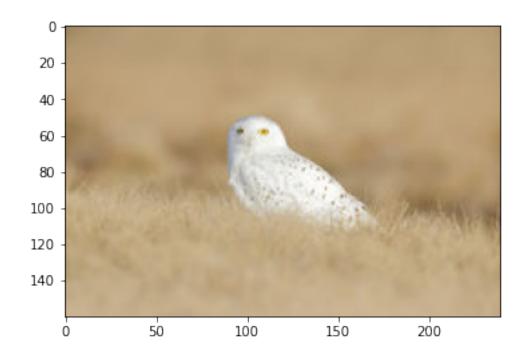


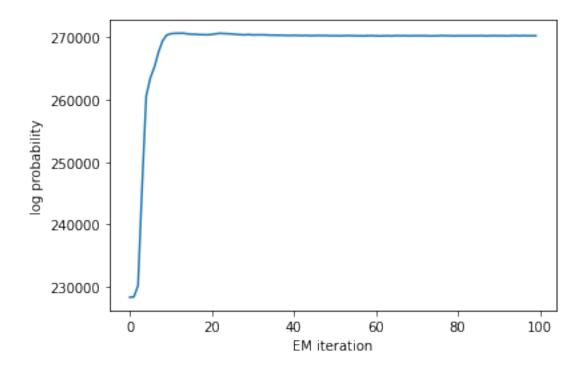


```
[28]: run_segmentation("owl", K=3)

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```

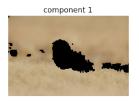
```
owl results:
Cluster 0:
                tensor([0.8620, 0.8501, 0.8162])
        mu:
        Sigma: tensor([[0.0085, 0.0086, 0.0090],
        [0.0086, 0.0099, 0.0104],
        [0.0090, 0.0104, 0.0128]])
        probs: tensor(0.0749)
Cluster 1:
                tensor([0.7377, 0.6390, 0.4871])
        mu:
        Sigma: tensor([[0.0014, 0.0015, 0.0016],
        [0.0015, 0.0019, 0.0020],
        [0.0016, 0.0020, 0.0022]])
        probs: tensor(0.8992)
Cluster 2:
        mu:
                tensor([0.6014, 0.5000, 0.3524])
        Sigma: tensor([[0.0039, 0.0028, 0.0015],
        [0.0028, 0.0041, 0.0018],
        [0.0015, 0.0018, 0.0034]])
        probs: tensor(0.0259)
```

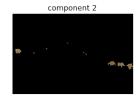












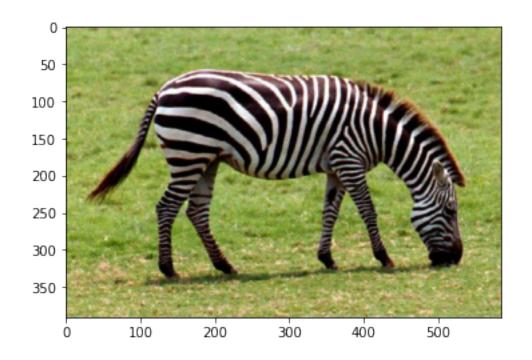
[29]: run_segmentation("zebra")

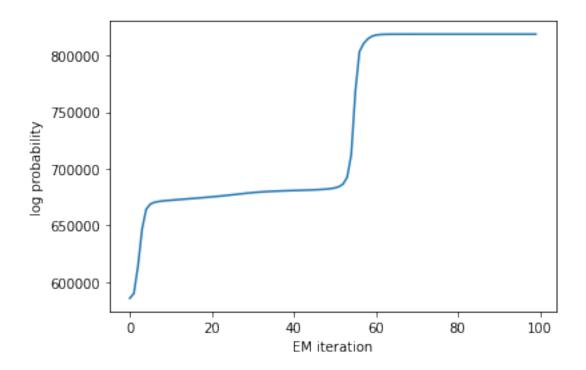
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0%| | 0/100 [00:00<?, ?it/s]
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zebra results:
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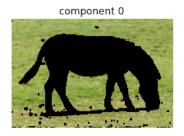
```
Cluster 0:
    mu: tensor([0.6098, 0.6605, 0.3382])
    Sigma: tensor([[0.0068, 0.0049, 0.0062],
    [0.0049, 0.0049, 0.0050],
    [0.0062, 0.0050, 0.0072]])
    probs: tensor(0.6799)

Cluster 1:
    mu: tensor([0.3281, 0.2923, 0.2669])
    Sigma: tensor([[0.0823, 0.0813, 0.0785],
    [0.0813, 0.0829, 0.0796],
    [0.0785, 0.0796, 0.0799]])
    probs: tensor(0.3201)
```





original image

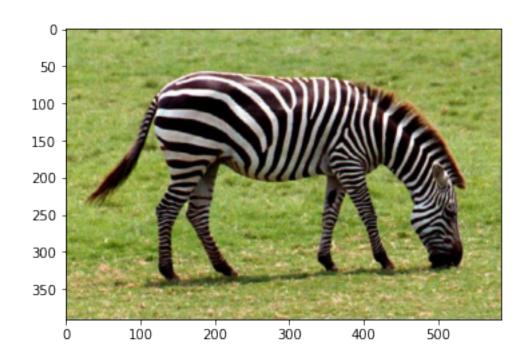


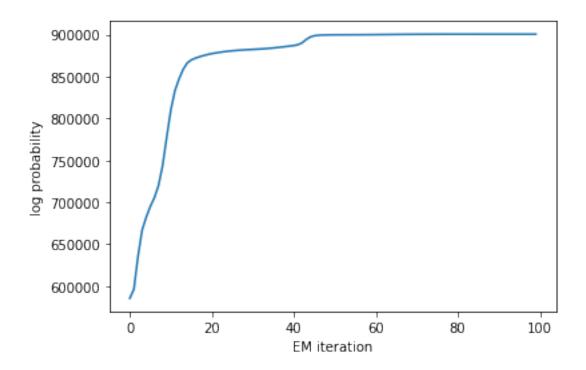


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[30]: run segmentation("zebra", K=4)
       0%1
                    | 0/100 [00:00<?, ?it/s]
     /usr/local/lib/python3.7/dist-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:31: UserWarning:
     Implicit dimension choice for softmax has been deprecated. Change the call to
     include dim=X as an argument.
     zebra results:
     Cluster 0:
                      tensor([0.6087, 0.6648, 0.3381])
              mu:
              Sigma: tensor([[0.0053, 0.0038, 0.0050],
             [0.0038, 0.0038, 0.0040],
             [0.0050, 0.0040, 0.0061]])
              probs: tensor(0.6253)
     Cluster 1:
                      tensor([0.4784, 0.4453, 0.4356])
              mu:
              Sigma: tensor([[0.0788, 0.0813, 0.0812],
             [0.0813, 0.0856, 0.0853],
             [0.0812, 0.0853, 0.0860]])
              probs: tensor(0.1548)
     Cluster 2:
              mu:
                      tensor([0.4772, 0.4404, 0.2727])
              Sigma: tensor([[0.0455, 0.0431, 0.0307],
             [0.0431, 0.0463, 0.0294],
             [0.0307, 0.0294, 0.0259]])
              probs: tensor(0.1294)
     Cluster 3:
                      tensor([0.0339, 0.0098, 0.0128])
              Sigma: tensor([[7.9809e-04, 1.4777e-04, 1.0206e-04],
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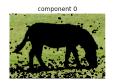
[1.4777e-04, 1.9926e-04, 8.1995e-05], [1.0206e-04, 8.1995e-05, 2.6713e-04]])

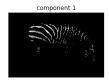
probs: tensor(0.0905)

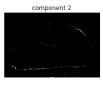


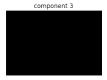












4.2 Problem 3a: Multiple restarts

Explain why you might need multiple restarts for EM to obtain the best results.

As has been discussed in class, the EM ascent is not necessarily convex – one could get stuck in a local optimum, and thurs return a non-sensical segmentation. Further, if we initialized parameters across all clusters evenly (i.e. $\mu_1 = \mu_2 = \dots, \Sigma_1 = \Sigma_2 = \dots$ and with uniform priors, the EM would fail to move at all; hence a restart with different initialization would be necessary.

4.3 Problem 3b: Model improvements

How could you extend this model - e.g. by building in more prior information about images - to improve the background segmentations?

Currently, the model assumes independence between each n = 1, ..., N, and evaluates that pixel's cluster in a vacuum/in isolation. In other words, pixels have no spatial relationship with one another. One possible way to improve this would be to pursue a model that does consider such spatial relationships, whether through covariance structures or more convolutional-y architectures.

5 Submission Instructions

Formatting: check that your code does not exceed 80 characters in line width. If you're working in Colab, you can set $Tools \rightarrow Settings \rightarrow Editor \rightarrow Vertical ruler column$ to 80 to see when you've exceeded the limit.

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