ECE 271A: Statistical Learning I - Quiz #5

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1. Basic principle

The EM update equations for the parameters of a Gaussian Mixture Model are as follows:

• E-step:

$$h_{ij} = \frac{G(x_i, \mu_j^{(n)}, \sigma_j^{(n)}) \pi_j^{(n)}}{\sum_{k=1}^C G(x_i, \mu_k^{(n)}, \sigma_k^{(n)}) \pi_k^{(n)}}$$

• M-step:

$$\mu_j^{(n+1)} = \frac{\sum_i h_{ij} x_i}{\sum_i h_{ij}}$$

$$\pi_j^{(n+1)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i h_{ij}$$

$$\sigma_j^{2(n+1)} = \frac{\sum_i h_{ij} (x_i - \mu_j)^2}{\sum_i h_{ij}}$$

2. Results Analysis

2.1 Problem (a)

The relationship between the probability of error and the number of dimensions for each of the 25 classifiers reveals that due to random initialization, each classifier converges to different local optima. This means that even for the same problem, the final model parameters can vary because of different starting points. This randomness in initialization leads to performance variations across different classifiers, even when the same training data and algorithm are used.

As the number of dimensions increases, the differences between classifiers become more pronounced. This could be because in higher-dimensional spaces, the impact of different feature combinations and model initialization methods on the probability of error becomes more complex and varied. However, the overall trend of error rate versus the number of dimensions is similar across different classifiers, indicating that despite the specific performance of each being different, their performance across dimensions exhibits certain consistencies. This is

likely because certain dimensions provide more useful information for classification, and thus, across these dimensions, different classifiers show a reduction in error rates.

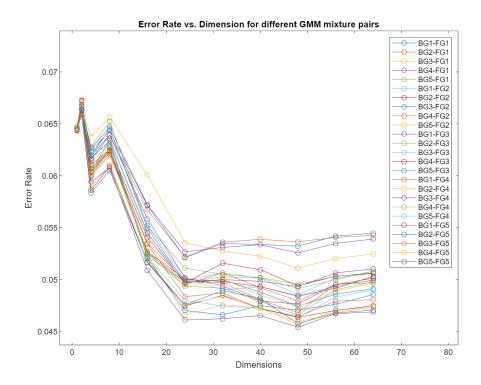


Figure 1: Error Rate vs. Dimension for different GMM mixture pairs.

2.2 Problem (b)

In analyzing the impact of the number of Gaussian mixture components C on the classification error rate, it was observed that:

- With C=1, the classifier exhibits the highest error rate, which may even increase with the dimension, indicating a poor capture of the data complexity.
- For C=2, while the error rate is lower than that with a single component, the error rate initially decreases as the dimension increases, suggesting an improvement in capturing the data's structure. However, beyond a certain dimension, the error rate begins to rise, indicating a possible overfitting or an increased sensitivity to noise in the higher-dimensional space.
- When C reaches 4, the error rate decreases and stabilizes, suggesting that adding more components improves performance to an extent, but beyond a certain threshold, further additions offer diminishing returns.

This highlights the importance of selecting an appropriate number of components while accounting for the dimensionality's influence in Gaussian mixture models for classification.

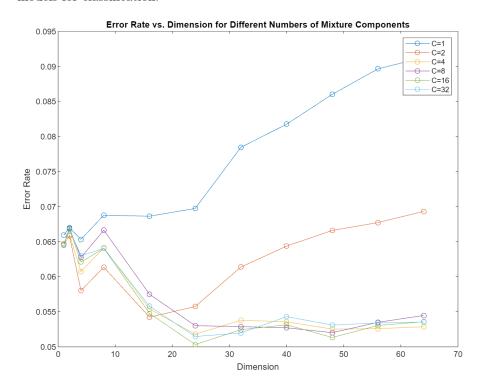


Figure 2: Error Rate vs. Dimension for Different Numbers of Mixture Components.

Appendix

(a)solution.m

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% Train a set of GMMs for different values of C components
   C_{values} = [1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32];
   for C = C_values
       \% Train and save GMM parameters for each C value,
           labeled 0
       trainEM(C, TrainsampleDCT_BG, TrainsampleDCT_FG, 0);
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   end
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   %% (a) 25 random classifiers
   C = 8; % Number of components in the mixture model
   dimensions = [1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 24, 32, 40, 48, 56, 64]; %
      Array of dimensions to be considered
   numMixtures = 5; % Number of GMMs to be trained for each
   errorRates = zeros(numMixtures^2, length(dimensions)); %
22
      Matrix to store error rates
   mixturePairs = combvec(1:numMixtures, 1:numMixtures)'; %
      Generate all possible mixture pairs
   % Calculate error rates for each dimension
25
   for d = 1:length(dimensions)
26
       dimension = dimensions(d);
27
       disp(['Starting dimension: ', num2str(dimension)]);
28
       % Loop through all possible pairs of mixtures
       for mixPair = 1:size(mixturePairs, 1)
31
           mixBG = mixturePairs(mixPair, 1); % Background
32
               mixture index
           33
              mixture index
34
           % Load GMM parameters for background and foreground
           load(sprintf('trainedGMM_Comp=%d_Label=%d.mat', C,
36
              mixBG), 'weightsBG', 'meansBG', 'covariancesBG');
           load(sprintf('trainedGMM_Comp=%d_Label=%d.mat', C,
37
              mixFG), 'weightsFG', 'meansFG', 'covariancesFG');
38
           \% Compute error rates using the EM_BDR function
           error = EM_BDR(TrainsampleDCT_BG, TrainsampleDCT_FG,
                weightsBG, weightsFG, meansBG(:, 1:dimension),
               meansFG(:, 1:dimension), covariancesBG(1:
               {\tt dimension\,,\,\,1:dimension\,,\,\,:)\,,\,\,covariancesFG\,(1:}
               dimension, 1:dimension, :), dimension, C);
41
           % Store the error rate
42
43
           errorRates(mixPair, d) = error;
       end
44
   end
45
   \%\% Plot the error rates
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figure;
   for mixPair = 1:size(mixturePairs, 1)
       plot(dimensions, errorRates(mixPair, :), '-o'); % Plot a
            line for each mixture pair
       hold on; % Hold the figure for multiple plots
51
   end
  hold off;
53
  xlabel('Dimensions');
  ylabel('Error Rate');
  title ('Error Rate vs. Dimension for different GMM mixture
       pairs');
   legendCell = cellstr(num2str(mixturePairs, 'BG%d-FG%d')); %
       Create a legend
   legend(legendCell);
58
59
  %% (b) Classifiers with different component numbers
  % Initialize parameters
   dimensions = [1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 24, 32, 40, 48, 56, 64]; %
       Array of dimensions to be considered
   C_values = [1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32]; % Array of numbers of
      mixture components
   errorRatesC = zeros(length(C_values), length(dimensions)); %
        Matrix to store error rates for different C values
   % Loop to calculate error rates for each value of C
   for idx = 1:length(C_values)
       C = C_values(idx); % Current number of mixture
68
           components
       disp(['Starting component num: ', num2str(C)]);
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70
       % Loop through different dimensions
71
       for d = 1:length(dimensions)
           dimension = dimensions(d);
73
74
           \% Load the model parameters, assuming models are
75
               saved with iteration label 0
           load(sprintf('trainedGMM_Comp=%d_Label=0.mat', C), '
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               weightsBG', 'meansBG', 'covariancesBG');
           load(sprintf('trainedGMM_Comp=%d_Label=0.mat', C), '
77
               weightsFG', 'meansFG', 'covariancesFG');
78
           % Compute and store the error rate
79
           errorRatesC(idx, d) = EM_BDR(TrainsampleDCT_BG,
80
               {\tt TrainsampleDCT\_FG}\;,\;\; {\tt weightsBG}\;,\;\; {\tt weightsFG}\;,\;\; {\tt meansBG}
               (:, 1:dimension), meansFG(:, 1:dimension),
               covariancesBG(1:dimension, 1:dimension, :),
               covariancesFG(1:dimension, 1:dimension, :),
               dimension, C);
       end
81
   end
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  %% Plot the error rates
84
  figure;
  for idx = 1:length(C_values)
       plot(dimensions, errorRatesC(idx, :), '-o', 'DisplayName
           ', sprintf('C=%d', C_values(idx)));
       hold on; % Hold on to plot multiple lines on the same
          figure
   end
89
  hold off; % Release the hold to finish plotting
   xlabel('Dimension');
   ylabel('Error Rate');
   title ('Error Rate vs. Dimension for Different Numbers of
      Mixture Components');
  legend show;
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(b)trainEM.m

```
function [] = trainEM(numComponents, dataBG, dataFG,
      iterationLabel)
       numIterations = 2000; % Number of iterations for the EM
           algorithm
       numFeatures = size(dataBG, 2); % Assuming the number of
           features is the number of columns in dataBG
       % Initialize parameters for background and foreground
5
       [weightsBG, meansBG, covariancesBG] =
           initializeGMMParameters(numComponents, dataBG);
       [weightsFG, meansFG, covariancesFG] =
           initializeGMMParameters(numComponents, dataFG);
       % Train the GMM for background data
       fprintf('Starting EM for BG with %d components,
10
           iteration %d\n', numComponents, iterationLabel);
       [weightsBG, meansBG, covariancesBG] = runEM(dataBG,
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          numComponents, numIterations, weightsBG, meansBG,
           covariancesBG);
12
       % Train the GMM for foreground data
13
       fprintf('Starting EM for FG with %d components,
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           iteration %d\n', numComponents, iterationLabel);
       [weightsFG, meansFG, covariancesFG] = runEM(dataFG,
          numComponents, numIterations, weightsFG, meansFG,
          covariancesFG);
16
       % Save the trained model parameters
17
       saveFileName = sprintf('trainedGMM_Comp=%d_Label=%d.mat')
18
           , numComponents, iterationLabel);
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save(saveFileName, 'weightsBG', 'meansBG', '
           covariancesBG', 'weightsFG', 'meansFG', '
           covariancesFG');
   end
20
21
   function [weights, means, covariances] =
       initializeGMMParameters(numComponents, data)
       % Initialize parameters for the GMM
23
       [n, d] = size(data);
24
       weights = rand (numComponents ,1) ;
25
       weights = weights / sum (weights) ;
       means = data(randperm(n, numComponents), :);
       covariances = repmat(diag(diag(rand(d))), [1, 1,
28
           numComponents]);
   end
29
30
   function [weights, means, covariances] = runEM(data,
31
      numComponents, numIterations, weights, means, covariances
      )
       % Run the EM algorithm for GMM
32
       n = size(data, 1);
33
       numFeatures = size(data, 2);
34
35
       for iteration = 1:numIterations
           % E-step: compute responsibilities
           responsibilities = zeros(n, numComponents);
38
           for j = 1:numComponents
39
                % Calculate the covariance matrix for the j-th
40
                   component
                covarianceMatrix = reshape(covariances(:, :, j),
41
                    numFeatures, numFeatures);
               % Compute the probability density function for
42
                   each data point
               responsibilities(:, j) = weights(j) * mvnpdf(
43
                   data, means(j, :), covarianceMatrix);
           end
44
           responsibilities = responsibilities ./ sum(
45
               responsibilities, 2);
46
           % M-step: update weights, means, and covariances
47
           for j = 1:numComponents
48
               weight = sum(responsibilities(:, j)) / n;
49
               mean = (responsibilities(:, j)' * data) / sum(
50
                   responsibilities(:, j));
                centeredData = data - mean;
52
                covariance = (centeredData ' * (centeredData .*
                   responsibilities(:, j))) / sum(
                   responsibilities(:, j));
53
                weights(j) = weight;
54
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means(j, :) = mean;
covariances(:, :, j) = diag(diag(covariance));
end
end
end
end
```

(c)EM_BDR.m

```
function [error] = EM_BDR(trainBG, trainFG, weightBG,
       weightFG, muBG, muFG, sigmaBG, sigmaFG, dimension,
      numComponents)
       % Estimate the prior probabilities
2
       [rowFG, ~] = size(trainFG);
3
       [rowBG, ~] = size(trainBG);
       priorFG = rowFG / (rowBG + rowFG);
       priorBG = rowBG / (rowBG + rowFG);
       \% Read and preprocess the image
       img = im2double(imread('cheetah.bmp'));
       [height, width] = size(img);
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       % Get zig-zag pattern
       pattern = readmatrix('Zig-Zag Pattern.txt') + 1;
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14
       % Initialize result mask
15
       maskResult = zeros(height-7, width-7);
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17
       % Loop over the image
18
       for i = 1:(height - 7)
19
           for j = 1:(width - 7)
20
                block = img(i:(i+7), j:(j+7));
21
                dctBlock = dct2(block);
22
                zigzagBlock = zeros(1, 64);
23
                for m = 1:8
24
                    for n = 1:8
                        zigzagBlock(pattern(m,n)) = dctBlock(m,n
26
                            );
                    end
27
                end
28
29
                % Select the corresponding parameters for FG and
30
                muFgD = muFG(:, 1:dimension);
31
                muBgD = muBG(:, 1:dimension);
32
                sigmaFgD = sigmaFG(1:dimension, 1:dimension, 1:
33
                   numComponents);
                sigmaBgD = sigmaBG(1:dimension, 1:dimension, 1:
34
                   numComponents);
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35
                % Compute the likelihoods for FG and BG
36
                pxYFg = myGmmPdf(zigzagBlock(1:dimension), muFgD
37
                    , sigmaFgD, weightFG);
                pxYBg = myGmmPdf(zigzagBlock(1:dimension), muBgD
                    , sigmaBgD, weightBG);
39
                % Apply BDR
40
                if pxYFg * priorFG > pxYBg * priorBG
41
                    maskResult(i, j) = 1;
42
                end
            end
44
       end
45
46
       % % Display the masks
47
       % figure;
48
       % imshow(maskResult);
49
       % title('Classification Results');
50
       % Compute classification error against ground truth
52
       maskGT = im2double(imread('cheetah_mask.bmp'));
53
       error = sum(sum(maskResult ~= maskGT(1:end-7, 1:end-7)))
54
            / numel(maskResult);
55
   end
56
   % My own GMM function
   function pdfValue = myGmmPdf(x, mu, sigma, weight)
58
       numComponents = size(mu, 1);
59
       pdfValue = 0;
60
       for i = 1:numComponents
61
            diff = x - mu(i,:);
62
           exponent = -0.5 * (diff / sigma(:,:,i)) * diff';
           coefficient = 1 / sqrt(((2 * pi)^length(x)) * det(
64
               sigma(:,:,i)));
            pdfValue = pdfValue + weight(i) * coefficient * exp(
65
               exponent);
       end
66
   end
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