

PART 1: K-MEANS

1.2 Question 1

$$\text{let } c_j = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n r_{ij} x_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n r_{ij}}, \quad j = 1, \dots, k$$

$$\text{where } r_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } j = \underset{1 \leq s \leq k}{\operatorname{argmin}} \|x_i - c_s\|^2 \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{and } c_i = \underset{z \in \mathbb{R}^n}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_{x \in C_i} \|z - x\|^2. \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \sum_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|z - x\|^2 = \sum_{x \in C_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \|z - x\|^2 = \sum_{x \in C_i} 2(z - x)$$

$$\text{set } \sum_{x \in C_i} 2(z - x) = 0 \Rightarrow \sum_{x \in C_i} z = \sum_{x \in C_i} x \Rightarrow \hat{z} = \frac{\sum_{x \in C_i} x}{\# C_i}$$

Note: We have define $r_{ij} = 0, 1$ as an indicator function describing which cluster C_j the data point x_i belongs then in the Update step where we recompute the cluster mean to be the new centers of the clusters

$$c_j = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n r_{ij} x_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n r_{ij}} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{\# of } x_i \text{ belongs in a specific} \\ \text{cluster} \end{array}$$

$\leftarrow \text{\# of 1 i.e.: } x_i \text{ belongs to } C_j.$

$$\hat{z} = \frac{\sum_{x \in C_i} x}{\# C_i} \leftarrow \text{We sum over the clusters}$$

Henceforth using the indicator r_{ij} we can write \hat{z} as c_j . Thus $\hat{z} = c_j$, i.e.: the centroid is the minimizer of the sum of square distances (1).

PART 1: K-MEANS1.2 Question 2

Overview: Suppose we have a data set x_1, \dots, x_l our goal is then to give a disjoint partition into k sets C_1, \dots, C_k . Assume that we a priori know how many clusters the data should divide. Introduce prototypes c_1, \dots, c_k where each c_i is a prototype associated with one of the k -clusters. The prototype represents the center of the cluster.

Goal: To find the c_1, \dots, c_k centers that partition the data in such the sum of the Euclidean distances is minimal.

Non-Convex Optimization Problem:
$$\operatorname{argmin}_{c_1, \dots, c_k} \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{x \in C_i} \|x - c_i\|^2$$

Method: first assign some initial random position to the centers c_1, \dots, c_k . Given the data set x_1, \dots, x_l and a k -number of clusters, create a set of binary $r_{ij} = 1, 0$ indicator variables describing which cluster c_j the data point x_i belongs to, i.e.: if x_i is assigned to cluster j then $r_{ij} = 1$ otherwise $r_{is} = 0$ for $s \neq j$. Next the k -means algorithm proceeds by alternating between two steps: assignment and update.

Assignment Step:
$$r_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } j = \operatorname{argmin}_{1 \leq s \leq k} \|x_i - c_s\|^2 \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Update Step: Recompute the cluster means to the new centers of the clusters
$$c_j = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^l r_{ij} x_i}{\sum_{i=1}^l r_{ij}} \quad (j=1, \dots, k)$$

- Each iteration (kn) operations

Proof of convergence:

(2)

- The k-means problem can be represented as the following non convex optimization problem;

$$\underset{c_1, \dots, c_k, c_1, \dots, c_k}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{x \in c_i} \|x - c_i\|^2 \quad (1)$$

- We can consider the (1) as a cost function.

$$\operatorname{cost}(c_1, \dots, c_k) = \underset{c_1, \dots, c_k}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{x \in c_i} \|x - c_i\|^2$$

- From the definition of the k-means algorithm it is clear that each iteration decreases the cost function. Hence since this is done repeatedly, the loss is decreasing monotonically.

- Let $c_1^{\text{old}}, \dots, c_k^{\text{old}}$ be the old clusters and $c_1^{\text{new}}, \dots, c_k^{\text{new}}$ be the new clusters.

$$\text{Hence } \operatorname{cost}(c_1^{\text{old}}, \dots, c_k^{\text{old}}, \xi) \geq \min_{c_1^{\text{old}}, \dots, c_k^{\text{old}}} (c_1^{\text{old}}, \dots, c_k^{\text{old}}, \xi) = \operatorname{cost}(c_1^{\text{new}}, \dots, c_k^{\text{new}}, \xi)$$

- Do the same for the centroids. Let $c_1^{\text{old}}, \dots, c_k^{\text{old}}$ be the old centroids and $c_1^{\text{new}}, \dots, c_k^{\text{old}}$ be the new centroids.

$$\text{Hence } \operatorname{cost}(c_1^{\text{old}}, \dots, c_k^{\text{old}}, \xi) \geq \min_{c_1^{\text{old}}, \dots, c_k^{\text{old}}} (c_1^{\text{old}}, \dots, c_k^{\text{old}}, \xi) = \operatorname{cost}(c_1^{\text{new}}, \dots, c_k^{\text{new}}, \xi)$$

- Thus the cost is indeed monotonically decreases. Hence for n iterations (until convergence) the k-means will converge, to a local minimum. (Not Global). where $n < \infty$. Finally $n < \infty$ because of the finite number of the updates.