

MODULE 8 QUIZ 4

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1. We have used gaussian mixture models to fit data which has real-valued * 1 point
continuous features. Do you think we can also apply mixture models to
discrete features, like integral values.

- ☒ Yes, if we choose an appropriate Probability Mass function.
- ☐ No, only if the data is categorical
- ☐ No, probability distributions only support real values
- ☐ Yes, but we must generate a continuous interpolation of the input information.



2. Say we run a gaussian mixture model with 5 clusters. One test data point is exactly equidistant from the means of all clusters. Which cluster does this point belong to?

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- ☐ It's with 20% probability in each of the clusters
- ☒ It with highest probability in the cluster with the highest variance
- ☐ It's with the highest probability in the cluster with the lowest variance
- ☐ Nothing can be said about which cluster it belongs to

3. Which is an advantage of probabilistic soft clustering over hard clustering methods like k-means?

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- ☐ It is better on dealing with outliers
- ☐ The number of clusters in the data can be directly inferred from soft clustering, for k-means we have to guess it from the elbow of fit quality graph
- ☒ Being a bayesian method is offers much better interpretability of why a particular point is in a given cluster as compared to k-means
- ☐ It is better at dealing with points which lie between 2 clusters

4. The process of training a mixture model can be thought of as an optimization process, which involves maximizing over which of these parameters

* 1 point

- ☒ $P(\text{cluster parameters} \mid \text{cluster assignments})$
- ☐ $P(\text{cluster assignments} \mid \text{cluster parameters})$
- ☐ Both A and B
- ☐ $P(\text{cluster assignments})$
- ☐ $P(\text{cluster parameters})$



5. The mixture model is currently proposing a mixture of 3 gaussians with * 1 point
means 0, 3, 5 and variance 1, 2 and 2. Which of the following are the
correct ratios between values for the tuple $P(x=1 \mid \text{class } i)$ for $i = 1, 2, 3$

- ☐ 2.00, 1.00, 4.48
- ☒ 2.24, 1.00, 4.48
- ☐ 1.00, 2.00, 4.00
- ☐ 4.00, 2.00, 1.00
- ☐ 4.48, 1.00, 2.00

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