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# Deep Learning

Homework №3, task 1

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# 1 EM solution for Probabilistic PCA

Probabilistic PCA represents a constrained form of the Gaussian distribution in which the number of free parameters can be restricted while still allowing the model to capture the dominant correlations in a data set.

## 1.1 Parameters that are learned

Computed the sufficient statistics of the latent space posterior distribution and then revised the parameter values

## 1.2 E-step equations

Write down the complete-data log likelihood and take its expectation with respect to the posterior distribution of the latent distribution evaluated using ‘old’ parameter values.

The complete-data log likelihood function takes the form

$$\ln p(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z} | \boldsymbol{\mu}, \mathbf{W}, \sigma^2) = \sum_{n=1}^N \{ \ln p(\mathbf{x}_n | \mathbf{z}_n) + \ln p(\mathbf{z}_n) \}$$

Making use of the expressions

$$p(z) = \mathcal{N}(z | 0, I)$$

and

$$p(x|z) = \mathcal{N}(x | Wz + \mu, \sigma^2 I)$$

for the latent and conditional distributions, respectively, and taking the expectation with respect to the posterior distribution over the latent variables, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[\ln p(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z} | \boldsymbol{\mu}, \mathbf{W}, \sigma^2)] = & - \sum_{n=1}^N \left\{ \frac{D}{2} \ln(2\pi\sigma^2) + \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}(\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{z}_n \mathbf{z}_n^T]) \right. \\ & + \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \|\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}\|^2 - \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{z}_n]^T \mathbf{W}^T (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \\ & \left. + \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \text{Tr}(\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{z}_n \mathbf{z}_n^T] \mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{W}) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

We use the old parameter values to evaluate

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{z}_n] = M^{-1} W^T (x_n - \bar{x})$$

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{z}_n \mathbf{z}_n^T] = \sigma^2 M^{-1} + \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{z}_n] \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{z}_n]^T$$

Which follow directly from the posterior distribution

$$p(z|x) = \mathcal{N}(z | M^{-1} W^T (x - \mu), \sigma^2 (-2)M)$$

together with the standard result

$$\mathbb{E}[z_n z_n^T] = \text{cov}[z_n] + \mathbb{E}[z_n] \mathbb{E}[z_n]^T$$

where  $M$  is

$$M = W^T W + \sigma^2 I$$

### 1.3 M-step equations

In the M step, we maximize with respect to  $W$  and  $\sigma^2$ , keeping the posterior statistics fixed. Maximization with respect to  $\sigma^2$  is straightforward. For the maximization with respect to  $W$  we obtain the M-step equations

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{W}_{\text{new}} &= \left[ \sum_{n=1}^N (\mathbf{x}_n - \bar{\mathbf{x}}) \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{z}_n]^T \right] \left[ \sum_{n=1}^N \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{z}_n \mathbf{z}_n^T] \right]^{-1} \\ \sigma_{\text{new}}^2 &= \frac{1}{ND} \sum_{n=1}^N \left\{ \|\mathbf{x}_n - \bar{\mathbf{x}}\|^2 - 2 \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{z}_n]^T \mathbf{W}_{\text{new}}^T (\mathbf{x}_n - \bar{\mathbf{x}}) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \text{Tr} \left( \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{z}_n \mathbf{z}_n^T] \mathbf{W}_{\text{new}}^T \mathbf{W}_{\text{new}} \right) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

### 1.4 EM algorithm for Probabilistic PCA

Iterative process to estimate parameters consisting of two steps for each iteration.

**Expectation (data step):** proceeds by initializing the parameters and then alternately computing the sufficient statistics of the latent space posterior distribution using  $\mathbb{E}[z_n]$  and  $\mathbb{E}[z_n z_n^T]$

- Fix subspace and project data,  $y$ , into it to give values of hidden states  $x$
- Known:  $Y$ :  $d$ -dimensional observed data
- Unknown (latent):  $X$ :  $q$ -dimensional unknown states

**Maximization (likelihood step):** Update set of parameters, using using  $W_{\text{new}}$  and  $\sigma_{\text{new}}^2$ , from complete set of data from previous step

- Fix values of hidden states and choose subspace orientation that minimizes squared reconstruction errors