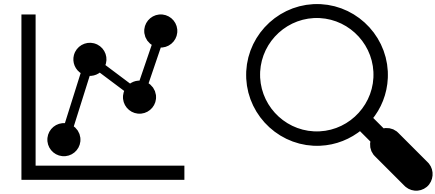


Choosing Starting Values for the EM algorithm in Multivariate Gaussian Mixture Models



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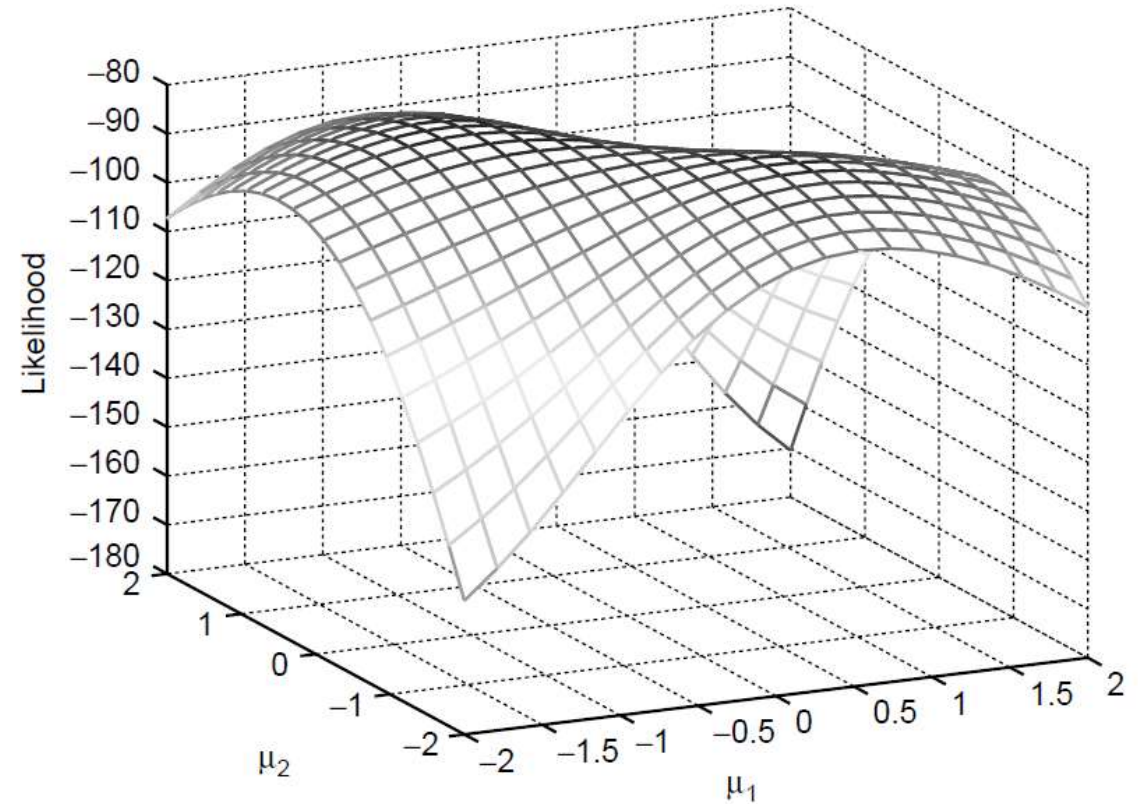


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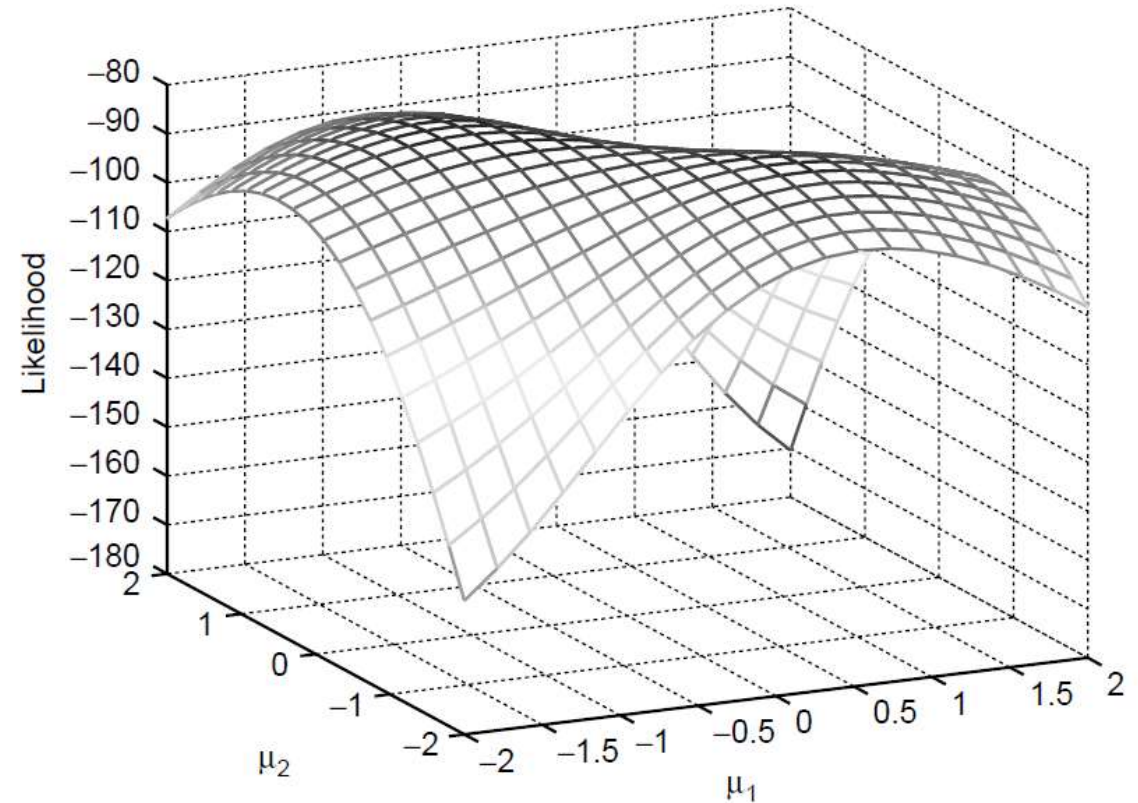


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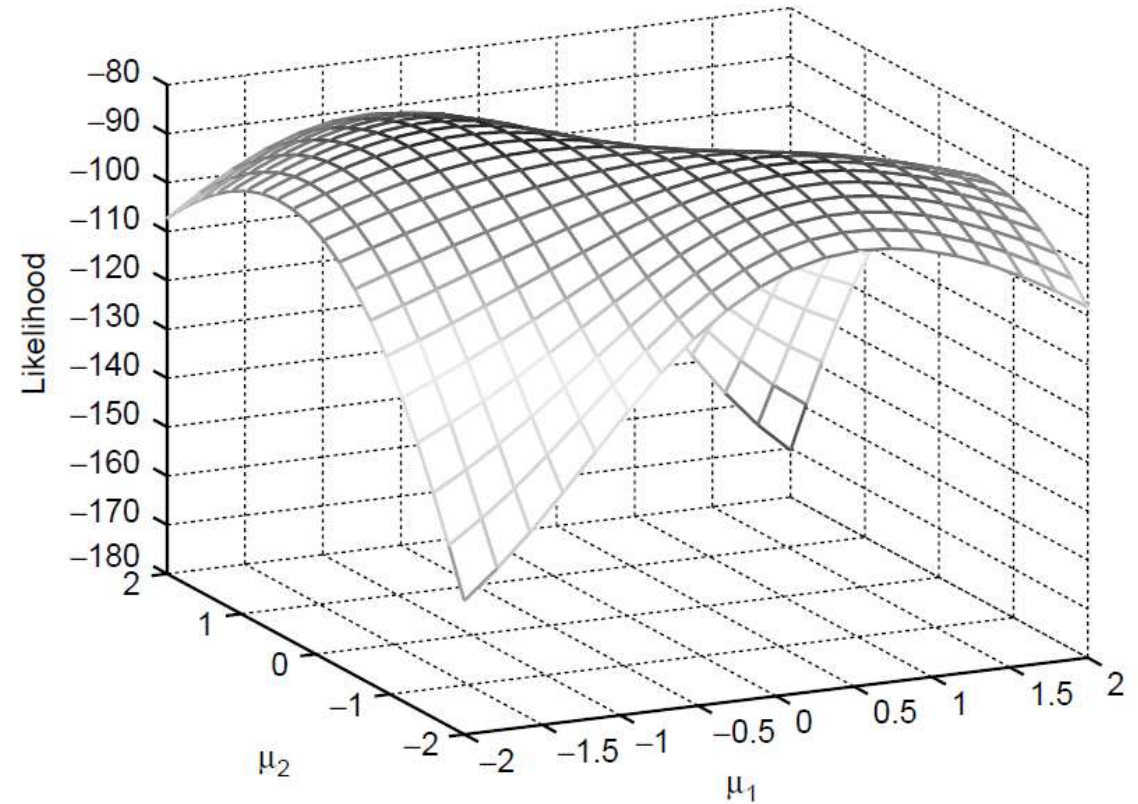


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Gaussian Mixture Model

$\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n$ in \mathbf{R}^d from a random vector with density

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{k=1}^K p_k \phi(\mathbf{x} | \boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k)$$

p_k : mixing proportions, $k = 1, \dots, K$

$\phi(\mathbf{x} | \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$: multivariate Normal density with mean vector $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ and variance matrix $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$

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Starting from an initial parameter θ^0 , iterate the following E-M steps:

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M step Update the ML estimates $(\hat{p}_k, \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}_k, \hat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}_k)$ using $\hat{p}_k(\mathbf{x}_i)$ as conditional mixing weights

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1. Short runs of EM
2. CEM (Classification EM)
3. SEM (Stochastic EM)

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When z_i is the missing cluster label of \mathbf{x}_i , it maximize the complete data log-likelihood

$$Cl(\theta|z_1, \dots, z_n, \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n) = \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{\{i: z_i=k\}} \ln[p_k \phi(\mathbf{x}_i|\boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k)]$$

SEM algorithm (Stochastic EM)

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SEM algorithm (Stochastic EM)

It is same as the Monte Carlo EM algorithm with a single replication, and generates Markov chain.

Parameter estimate from a SEM sequence $(\theta^r)_{r=1,\dots,R}$:

1. The mean value of the sequence after a burn-in period b

$$\hat{\theta} = \sum_{r=b+1}^R \theta^r / (R - b)$$

2. The value leading to the highest likelihood in the sequence

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Experimental Strategies

1. EM, CEM, SEM 알고리즘을 1번 반복할 때 계산 시간에 큰 차이가 없다.

→ 따라서 총 반복수를 동일하게 설정하여 총 계산 시간을 제한

2. 동일한 총 반복수 하에 각 알고리즘을 10번 반복하는 방법을 포함하여 총 8개의 방법을 비교
(iteration) (repetition)

EX. Total Number of Iterations = 1000

1EM	1000 iterations for EM
10EM	10 repetitions of 100 iterations for each EM run
1em-EM	500 iterations for em and 500 iterations for EM
10em-EM	10 repetitions of 50 iterations for em and 50 iterations for EM
1CEM-EM	500 iterations for CEM and 500 iterations for EM
10CEM-EM	10 repetitions of 50 iterations for CEM and 50 iterations for EM
SEMmean-EM & SEMmax-EM	500 iterations for SEM and 500 iterations for EM

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Simulation Data

Data set	P1	P2	P3	P1 noise, P2 noise, P3 noise
Dimension	$d = 2$	$d = 2$	$d = 2$	Add noise to P1, P2, P3 from <i>Uniform</i> $[-0.8, 0.8] \times [-0.8, 0.8]$ with proportion 0.2
Number of Clusters	$K = 2$	$K = 2$	$K = 4$	
Mixing Proportion	$p_1 = p_2 = 0.5$	$p_1 = 0.7, p_2 = 0.3$	$p_1 = p_2 = p_3 = p_4 = 0.5$	
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Noise가 없는 data에서는 10CEM-EM이 가장 안 좋지만 cluster의 개수가 적을 때는 차이가 크지 않다.
Noisy data에서는 결론이 명확하지 않다.

Real Data Sets

Data set	Stars	Geyser	Biological Profiles
Number of Observations	$n = 2370$	$n = 272$	$n = 3641$
Dimension	$d = 2$	$d = 2$	$d = 5$
Number of Clusters	$K = 3$	$K = 3$	$K = 10$
Explanation	Stars described by their velocity U toward the galactic center and velocity V toward the galactic rotation (Soubiran, 1993)	Eruptions of the Old Faithful Geyser in Yellowstone National Park measured by the <i>duration</i> of the eruption, and the <i>waiting time</i> before the next eruption (Venables and Ripley, 1994)	Biological profiles of patients (Sandor, 1976)

Real Data Sets – Stars & Geyser

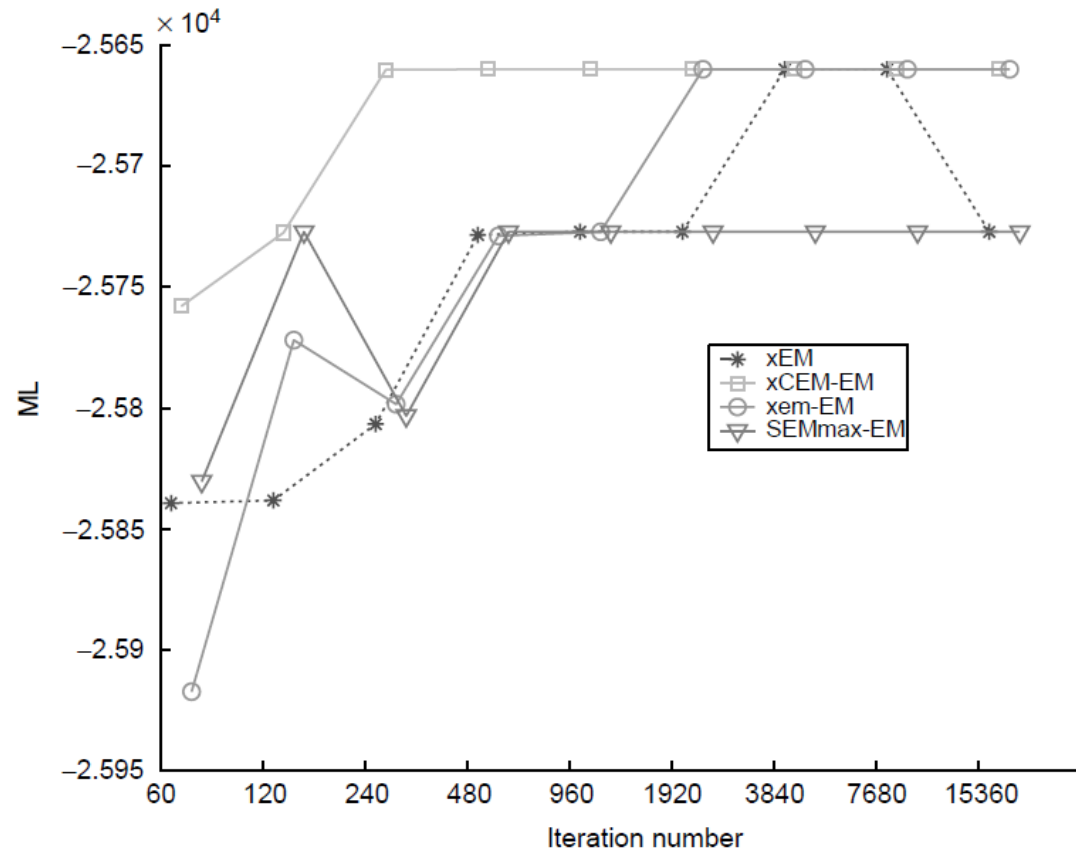


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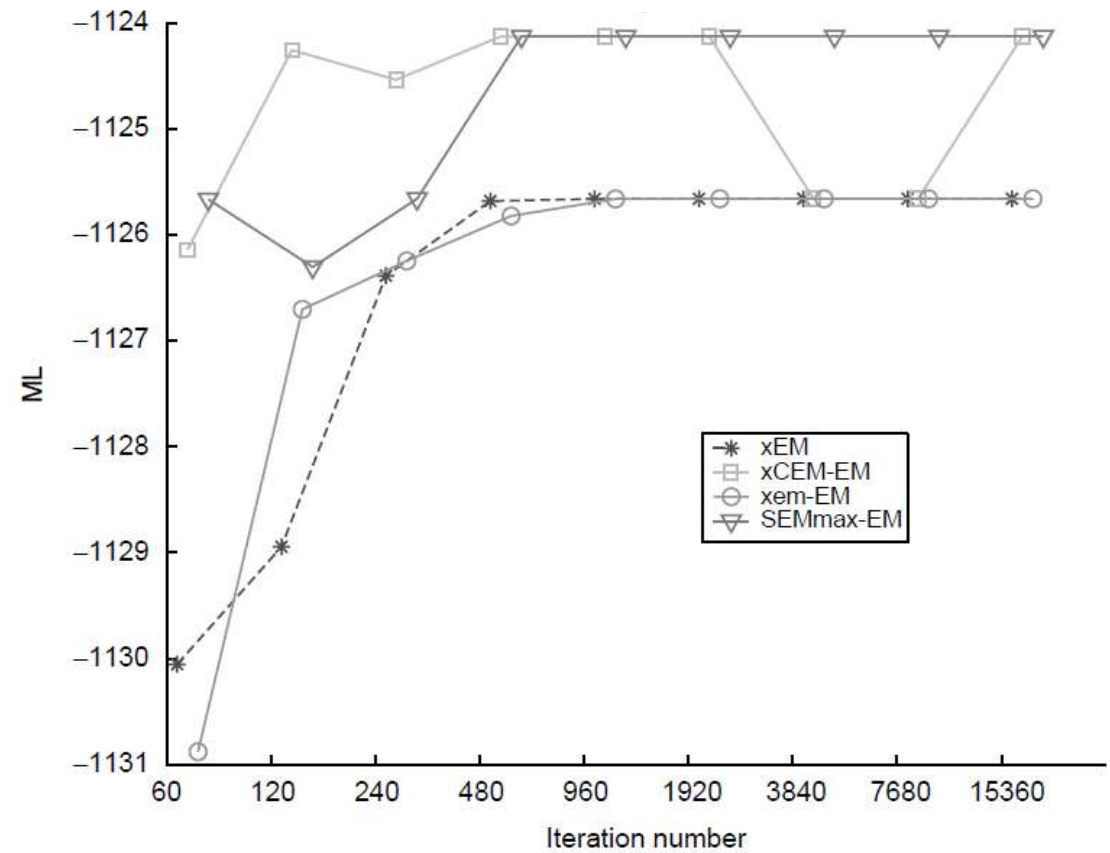


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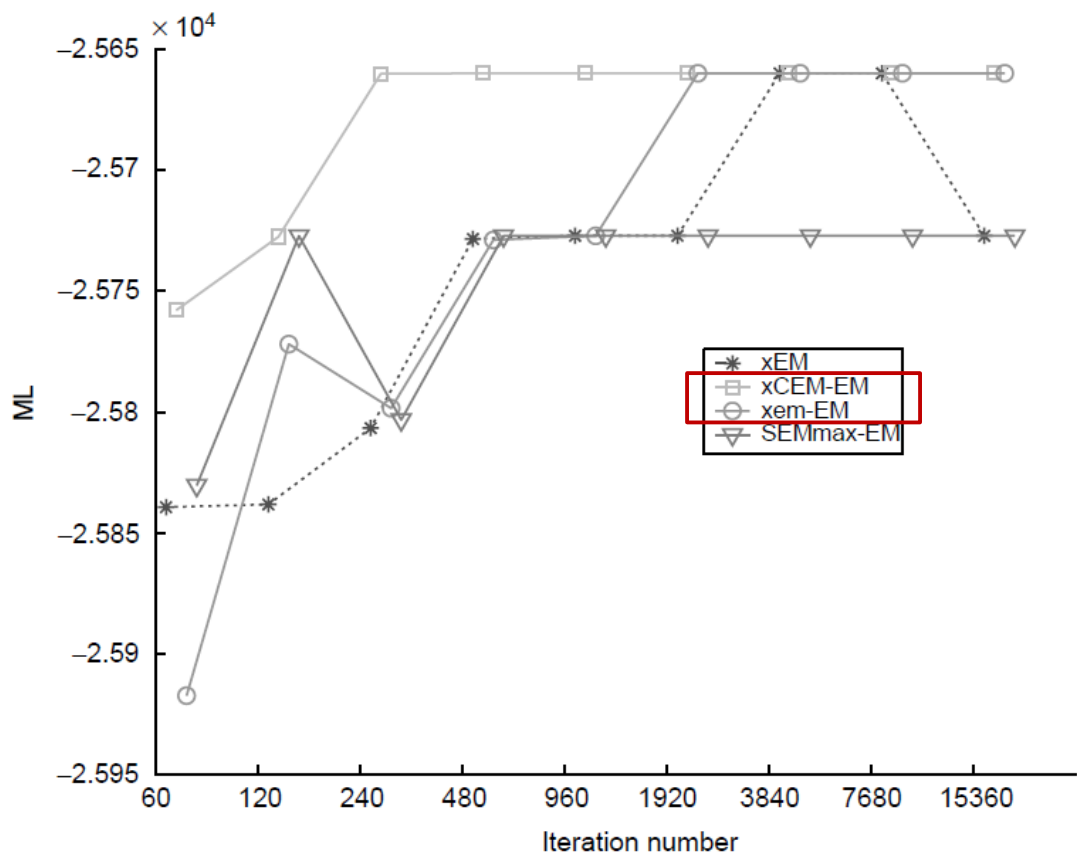


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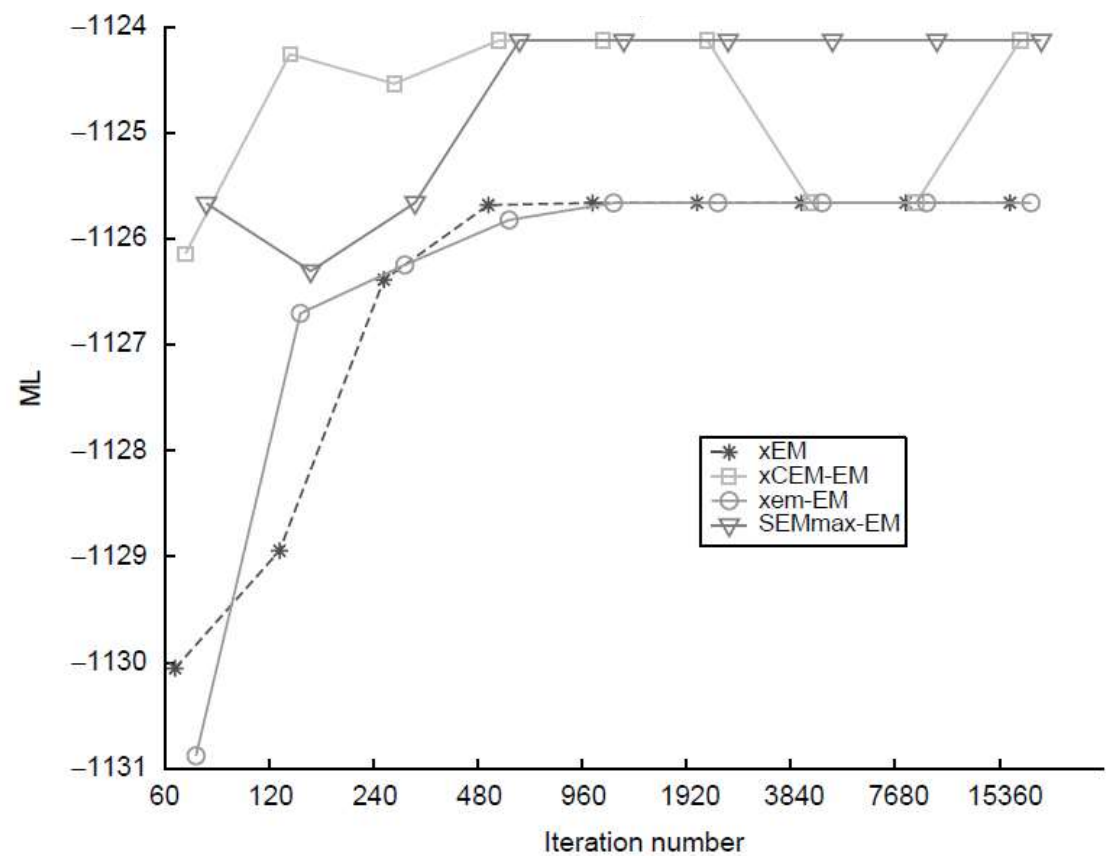


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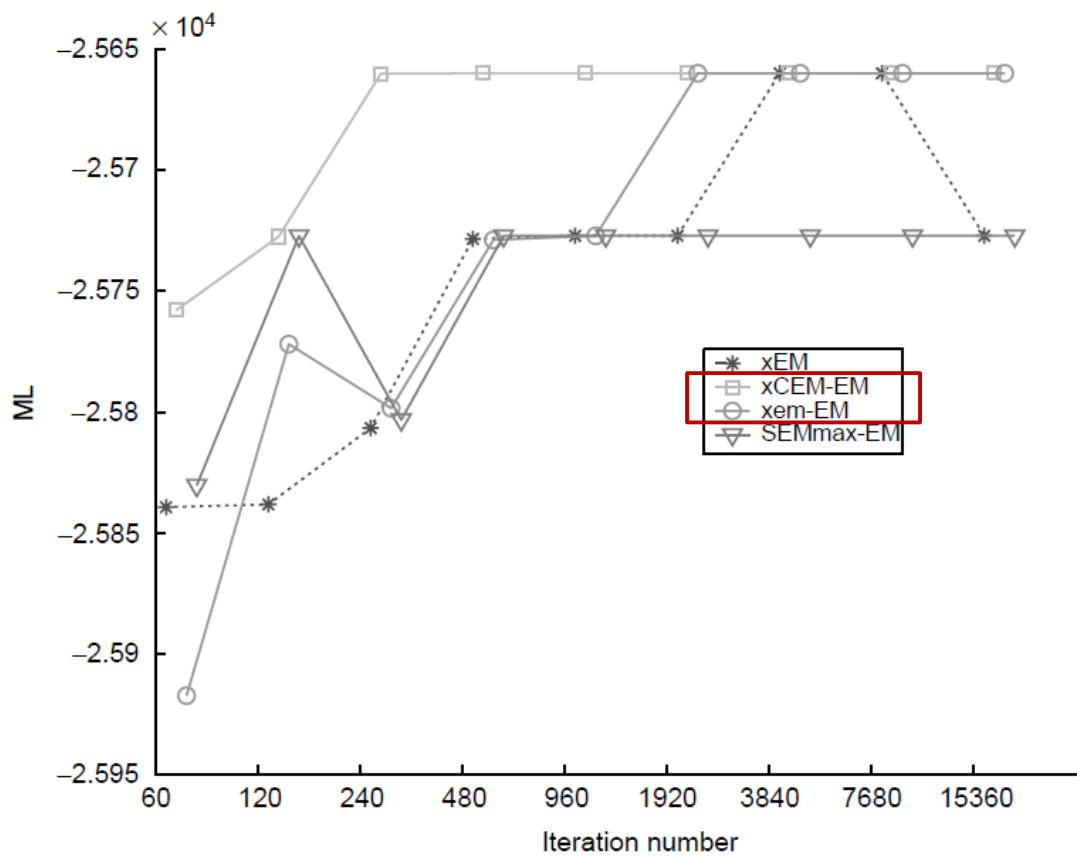


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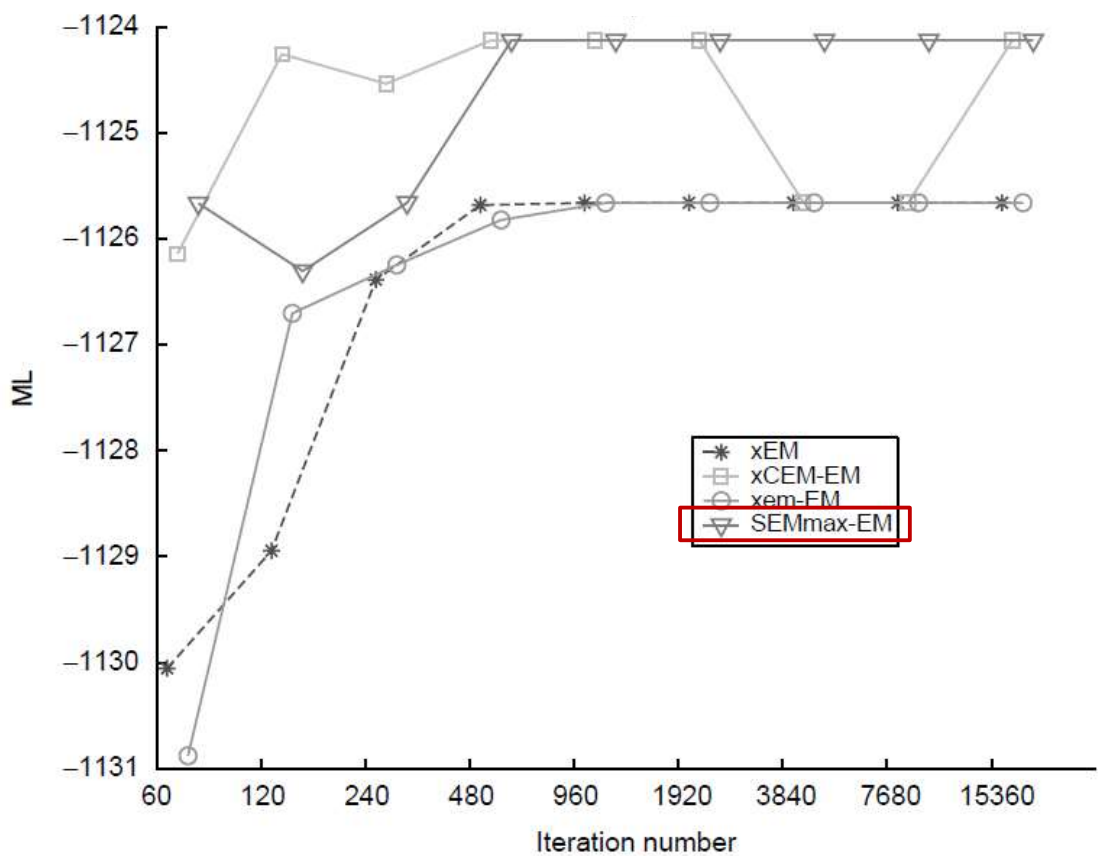
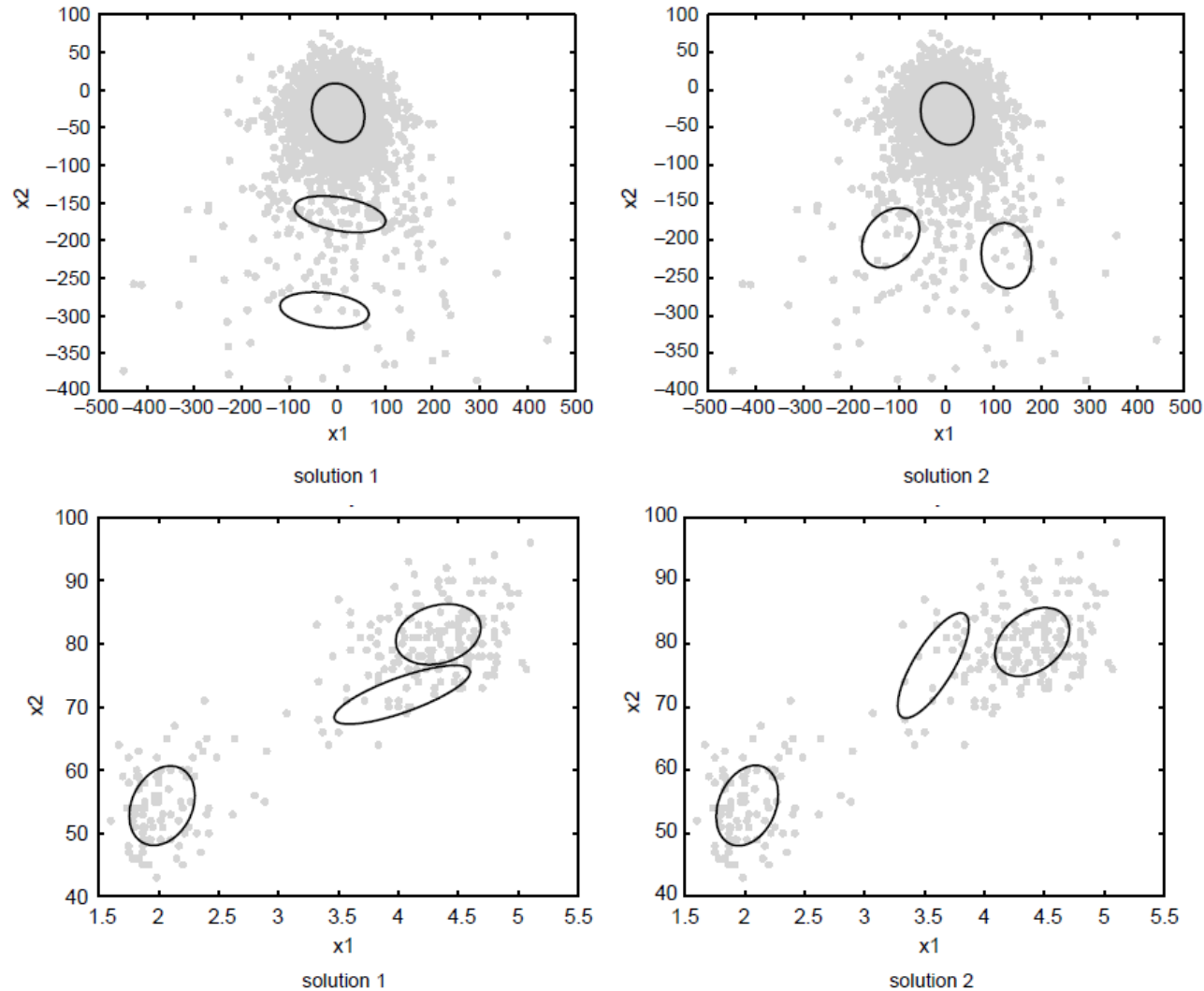


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Real Data Sets – Stars & Geyser



< Two solutions in competition >

They provide isodensity ellipses for each cluster.

Solution 1 provides the highest likelihood.

Figure3. Solutions of data set "Stars"

Figure4. Solutions of data set "Geyser"

Real Data Sets – Biological Profiles

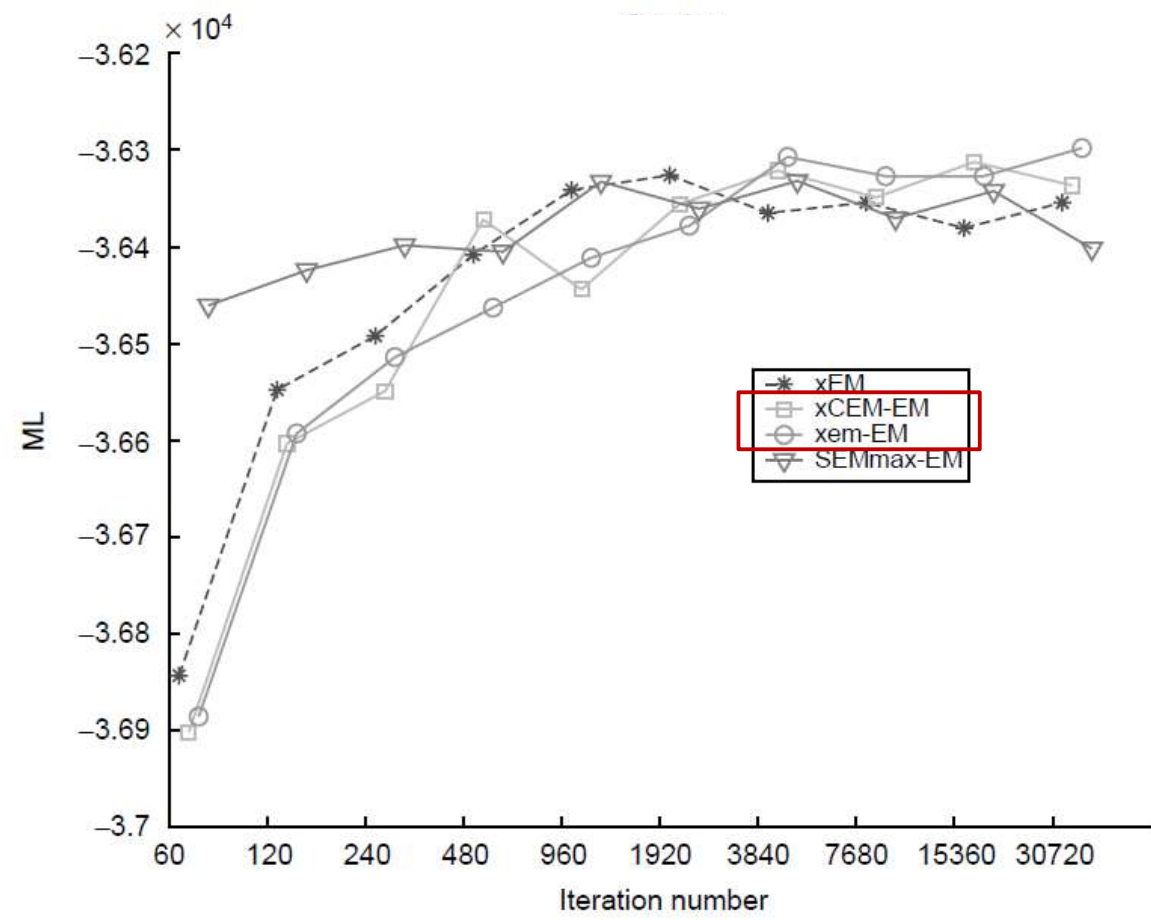


Figure5. Biological Profiles (x=10)

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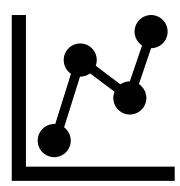
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Discussion

1. 총 반복수가 충분해야 한다.
2. 알고리즘을 여러 번 반복 (repetition) 하는 방법이 좋다. (ex. 10em-EM)
3. short runs of EM 방법의 성능이 다른 방법들에 비해 약간 더 높으며, 기본적인 EM 방법이 가장 나쁘다.
4. short runs of EM 방법은 단순하고 특별한 가정이 필요하지 않으며, noisy data에 덜 민감하기 때문에 CEM 또는 SEM 알고리즘보다 더 적절하다.
5. 결론적으로 총 반복수가 충분히 크다면, short runs of EM의 반복을 통해 초기값을 선택하는 것을 추천한다.



감사합니다
