

1. Clustering

- a. The goal of K-medoid algorithm is to minimize a sum of pairwise dissimilarities, while K-means algorithm minimizes the sum of squared Euclidean distances. Therefore K-medoid algorithm would be more robust to noises and outliers than K-means algorithm.
- b.

b. To find minimum value, we need to find μ for which:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \left(\sum_{i=1}^m (x_i - \mu)^2 \right) = 0$$
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \left(\sum_{i=1}^m (x_i - \mu)^2 \right) = -2m \sum_{i=1}^m (x_i - \mu)$$
$$-2m \sum_{i=1}^m (x_i - \mu) = 0 \quad / : -2m$$
$$\sum_{i=1}^m (x_i - \mu) = 0$$
$$\sum_{i=1}^m x_i - m\mu = 0$$
$$\mu_{\min} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m x_i}{m} \rightarrow \mu_{\min} = \text{mean of } m \text{ samples} \quad \blacksquare$$

Bonus:

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$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \left(\sum_{i=1}^m |x_i - \mu| \right) = 0$$

Assuming x_i are arranged by their value, and m is an even number,

c the median is defined as $x_{\frac{m}{2}} \leq c \leq x_{\frac{m}{2}+1}$

We'd like to prove that c minimizes the given term, so for any a :

$$\sum_{i=1}^m |x_i - c| \leq \sum_{i=1}^m |x_i - a| \rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^m (|x_i - a| - |x_i - c|) \geq 0$$

Assuming $a < c$, we'll set 3 groups:

$A = \{i : x_i < a\}$, $B = \{i : a \leq x_i < c\}$, $C = \{i : x_i \geq c\}$ for A

$$A: \rightarrow |x_i - a| - |x_i - c| = a - x_i - c + x_i = a - c$$

$$B: \rightarrow |x_i - a| - |x_i - c| = x_i - a - c + x_i \geq x_i - a - c \geq a - a - c = a - c$$

$$C: \rightarrow |x_i - a| - |x_i - c| = x_i - a - x_i + c = c - a$$

back to \star

$$\sum_{i=1}^m (|x_i - a| - |x_i - c|) = \sum_{i \in A} (a - c) + \sum_{i \in B} (a - c) + \sum_{i \in C} (c - a) = (a - c) (|A| + |B| - |C|)$$

Since c is the median:

$$|C| = \frac{m}{2} = |A| + |B|$$

$$\star \rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^m |x_i - a| - |x_i - c| \geq (a - c) (|A| + |B| - |C|) = (a - c) \left(\frac{m}{2} - \frac{m}{2} \right) = 0 \quad \blacksquare$$

hence the centroid that minimizes the term is c - the median of m examples

2. SVM

- A and D are classified with a linear kernel SVM because of the linear line of the classifier. For large values of C, the classification line would have a small margin range. We notice that the margin in D is smaller. Furthermore, a small value of C may allow misclassifications, which occurs in A – there are 2 purple dots inside the margin range. Therefore: $D=2$, $A=1$
- Since RBF stands for Radial Basis Function, I would expect that the classification would be with a radial shaped line- Images B and E are relevant. The gamma value represents the influence of a single example, when high gamma value means “close influence”, and low value means “far influence”. These are reflected in the size of the radial shapes caused by the classifier. Therefore: $B=6$, $E=5$.
- The classification shape in C looks the most similar to a 2nd order polynomial function (parabola). Therefore, the kernel matches this image is 2nd order polynomial kernel: $C=3$.
- The classification shape in F doesn't resemble as a known/radial function and looks very complex. A complex shape for a classifier would imply a complex function for a kernel (and a risk of over-fitting), for example a 10th order polynomial kernel. $F=4$.

3. Capability of generalization

- a. This balance in the aspect of machine learning is the balance between model complexity and performance. The term for this balance is Generalization- As Einstein mentioned, we'd like a simple model but with enough complexity to make a good-performing model.
- b. The $2p$ term when p is the total number of learned parameters represents the complexity of the model. Therefore, and from the formula we can say that the bigger $2p$ is- the bigger the complexity and the bigger the AIC.

L is the estimated likelihood (varies from 0-1) and represents the performance of the model. Mathematically, $2\ln(L)$ can vary from $(-\infty)$ to 0. From the formula we can see that the bigger the likelihood, the bigger $2\ln(L)$ and the lower AIC.

That's how and why these terms represent the balance mentioned earlier.

- c. In case of high complexity and high performance, there is a risk of **over-fitting**: If the model learns from a large number of parameters it may cause a high complexity. That model may have a very high performance with the specific examples given but wouldn't work that way for any other dataset. In case of low complexity there is a risk of **under-fitting**: If the model learns from a small number of parameters it may cause a low complexity, which leads to a model that with a low performance and won't be accurate enough.
- d. As mentioned in section b, low AIC means low $2p$ value- represents low complexity, and high $2\ln(L)$ (high L value)- represents high performance. Since this is the balance we'd like to achieve (Best and most simple model), we would like to **minimize the value of AIC**.