

Sparse Mixture Model (with jk-means a special case)

1 Sparse Mixture Model

1.1 General Framework

On a separable metrics space $\{\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F}\}$, we assume each data y_i has the following probability density as the likelihood:

$$\begin{aligned} [y_i] &= \sum_{k=1}^{\kappa} w_{k,i} \delta_{\theta_k}(y_i) \\ w_{k,i} &= \frac{u_{k,i} v_k}{\sum_{k=1}^{\kappa} u_{k,i} v_k} \\ u_{k,i} &\in \{0, 1\} \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

where $\delta_{\theta_k}(y_i)$ is a probability density corresponds to a component distribution with parameter θ_k , and $w_{k,i}$ is the component weight that varies by index i and $\sum_{k=1}^{\kappa} w_{k,i} = 1$. The weight varying is due to the randomness in $u_{k,i}$. Due to the 0's $u_{k,i}$ introduces, this induces sparsity in the membership probability $w_{k,i}$. Therefore, we refer this as the sparse mixture model.

1.2 JK-Means

With the above general framework, we focus on a special case $\{u_{1,i}, u_{2,i}, \dots, u_{\kappa,i}\} \sim J$ out of K draws and $\nu_k = 1/\kappa$. We refer this as JK-Means as when $J = 1$, this reduces to standard K-means method.

We now use the latent variable $\{z_{1,i}, z_{2,i}, \dots, z_{\kappa,i}\} \sim \text{MultiNomial}(\{w_{1,i}, w_{2,i}, \dots, w_{\kappa,i}\})$ that takes value of $\{0, \dots, 1, \dots, 0\}$ that assign randomly one 1 to one of κ vertices in the simplex. The likelihood can be rewritten as:

$$[y_i] = \sum_{k=1}^{\kappa} \int z_{k,i} \delta_{\theta_k}(y_i) P(dz_{k,i}) = \int \sum_{k=1}^{\kappa} z_{k,i} \delta_{\theta_k}(y_i) P(dz_{k,i}) \quad (2)$$

where $P(dz_{k,i})$ is the measure of the multinomial distribution aforementioned, the last equation is due to Fubini theorem. Note due to the $z_{k,i}$ takes only one 1 out of K , this allows a simple log-density augmented with $z_{k,i}$:

$$\log[\{y_i\}_i, \{z_{k,i}\}_{k,i}] = \sum_i \sum_{k=1}^{\kappa} z_{k,i} \log\{\delta_{\theta_k}(y_i) v_k\} \quad (3)$$

This allows us to utilize Expectation-Maximization algorithm for parameter estimation:

Algorithm 1 EM algorithm for JK-Means

- 1: **while** $\|\theta^{(s)} - \theta^{(s+1)}\| > \epsilon$ **do**
 - 2: Maximize over $\{u_{i,k}\}_k$ by $\operatorname{argmax}_{\{u_{i,k}\}_k} \{u_{i,k} v_k \delta_{\theta_k}(y_i)\}$ for all i ; \triangleright pick top J out K based on (1)
 - 3: Compute $\mathbb{E}(z_{i,k}) = \frac{w_{k,i} \delta_{\theta_k}(y_i)}{\sum_k w_{k,i} \delta_{\theta_k}(y_i)}$ with $w_{k,i} = u_{i,k} v_k$; \triangleright E step based on (3)
 - 4: Set $\theta_k^{(s+1)} = \operatorname{argmax} \sum_{k=1}^{\kappa} \mathbb{E} z_{k,i} \log \delta_{\theta_k}(y_i)$ for all k \triangleright M step: obtain MLE based on (3)
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