Expectation Maximization

1 Why

I am doing a homework on this.

2 Definition

Let Z and X be non-empty finite sets. We want to model a distribution $p^\theta : Z \times X \to \mathbf{R}$. We parameterize a family of distributions by a parameter θ. We have a dataset $(x^1, \dots, x^n)$. Given a parameter θ^0, we want to solve

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\begin{aligned}
\textbf{find} \quad & \theta \\
\textbf{to maximize} \quad & \sum_{k=1}^{n} \mathbf{E}_{p_{z|x}^{\theta^0}(z, x^k)} \left[\log p^\theta(z, x) \right]
\end{aligned}
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