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Algorithms for Data Science

Homework 4

Due 7/29/2019

1) Create an Expectation Maximization Method (Collaborative)

Code is in python file hw4.py. To run entire file, need to provide an argument for the location of the iris data set as an arff file for problem 2.

Used <https://github.com/mcdickenson/em-gaussian/blob/master/em-gaussian.py> to create EM method, made adjustments move method into a function that could take in variables for the dataframe, guess (initial mu and sigma), and optionally the maximum number of iterations to perform and how closely the convergence of the last two iterations must be to stop.

Analysis: Method is converging after 2 iterations no matter what the initial guess is. The separations observed do not match what was in the expectation maximization slides though. My 2 clusters both cluster around the points [2, 4]. However, the shape of each cluster appears to be different.

2) Use EM from problem 1 on iris data set (Collaborative)

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3) Consider three mean values of $\mu = [\mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3] = [4.5, 2.2, 3.3]$ with a corresponding covariance matrix as follows: $\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 0.1 & 0.05 \\ 0.1 & 0.25 & 0.1 \\ 0.05 & 0.1 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix}$ The respective minimums are $\min = [3.5, 1.7, 2.5]$ and maximums are $\max = [5.5, 2.7, 4.1]$. Generate 300 observations. Using the EM algorithm from Problem 1 and the generated data estimate the unknown parameters μ_k, σ_k, p_k .

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