## Problem 1 Optimization over the simplex

**1.1** Lagrangian:  $\Sigma_{k'=1}^{K} a_{k'} ln(q_{k'}) - (\Sigma_{k'=1}^{K} \mu_{k'}(-q_{k'})) + \lambda((\Sigma_{k'=1}^{K} q_{k'}) - 1)$  Stationary condition:

$$\frac{d}{d(q_k)} \sum_{k'=1}^{K} a_{k'} ln(q_{k'}) + (\sum_{k'=1}^{K} \mu_{k'} q_{k'}) + \lambda ((\sum_{k'=1}^{K} q_{k'}) - 1) = 0$$

$$\frac{a_k}{q_k} + \mu_k + \lambda = 0$$

$$q_k = -\frac{a_k}{\mu_k + \lambda}$$
(1)

Complimentary slackness and feasibility:

$$\forall k' \quad \mu_{k'} q_{k'} = 0$$

$$\sum_{k'-1}^{K} q_{k'} = 1$$
(3)

Since ln(0) is undefined,  $q_{k'}$  cannot be 0; thus from (2),  $\forall k \quad \mu_{k'} = 0$ . Substituting  $\mu_k = 0$  into (1), we get  $q_k = -\frac{a_k}{\lambda}$ ; combining this with (3), we get  $\lambda = -\sum_{k'=1}^K a_{k'}$ . Therefore  $q_k^* = \frac{a_k}{\sum_{k'=1}^K a_{k'}}$ .

**1.2** Lagrangian:  $\Sigma_{k'=1}^K(q_{k'}b_{k'}-q_{k'}ln(q_{k'}))-(\Sigma_{k'=1}^K\mu_{k'}(-q_{k'}))+\lambda((\Sigma_{k'=1}^Kq_{k'})-1)$  Stationary condition:

$$\frac{d}{d(q_{k})} \Sigma_{k'=1}^{K}(q_{k'}b_{k'} - q_{k'}ln(q_{k'})) - (\Sigma_{k'=1}^{K}\mu_{k'}(-q_{k'})) + \lambda((\Sigma_{k'=1}^{K}q_{k'}) - 1) = 0$$

$$When y = u(x)v(x)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{du}{dx}v + u\frac{dv}{dx}$$

$$b_{k} - 1 - ln(q_{k}) + \mu_{k} + \lambda = 0$$

$$ln(q_{k}) = b_{k} - 1 + \mu_{k} + \lambda$$

$$q_{k} = exp(b_{k} - 1 + \mu_{k} + \lambda)$$
(1)

Complimentary slackness and feasibility:

$$\forall k' \quad \mu_{k'} q_{k'} = 0 \tag{2}$$

$$\sum_{k'=1}^{K} q_{k'} = 1 \tag{3}$$

Since ln(0) is undefined,  $q_{k'}$  cannot be 0; thus from (2),  $\forall k' \quad \mu_{k'} = 0$ . Substituting  $\mu_k = 0$  into (1), we get  $q_k = exp(b_k - 1 + \lambda)$ ; combining this with (3), we get  $exp(\lambda) = \frac{1}{\sum_{k'=1}^K exp(b_{k'}-1)}$ . Therefore  $q_k^* = \frac{exp(b_k-1)}{\sum_{k'=1}^K exp(b_{k'}-1)} = \frac{exp(b_k)}{\sum_{k'=1}^K exp(b_{k'})}$ .

## Problem 2 Gaussian Mixture Model and EM

**2.1** Please distinguish between  $\Sigma$ , which represents covariance matrix, and  $\Sigma$ , which represents summation. Lagrangian:  $\Sigma_n \Sigma_{k'} \gamma_{nk'} ln(\omega_{k'}) + \Sigma_n \Sigma_{k'} \gamma_{nk'} ln(N(x_n \mid \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k'}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{k'})) - \Sigma_{k'} \alpha_{k'} (-\omega_{k'}) + \lambda((\Sigma_{k'} \omega_{k'}) - 1)$  Taking derivative w.r.t  $\omega_k$ :

$$\frac{d}{d(\omega_k)} \Sigma_n \Sigma_{k'} \gamma_{nk'} ln(\omega_{k'}) + \Sigma_n \Sigma_{k'} \gamma_{nk'} ln(N(x_n \mid \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k'}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{k'})) - \Sigma_{k'} \alpha_{k'} (-\omega_{k'}) + \lambda((\Sigma_{k'} \omega_{k'}) - 1) = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{d(\omega_k)} \Sigma_n \Sigma_{k'} \gamma_{nk'} ln(\omega_{k'}) + \Sigma_{k'} \alpha_{k'} \omega_{k'} + \lambda((\Sigma_{k'} \omega_{k'}) - 1) = 0$$

$$\frac{\Sigma_n \gamma_{nk}}{\omega_k} + \alpha_k + \lambda = 0$$

Since all  $\gamma_{nk}$  are given,  $\Sigma_n \gamma_{nk}$  can be treated as a constant exchangeable with  $a_{k'}$  in 1.1, and the solution just becomes  $\omega_k^* = \frac{\Sigma_n \gamma_{nk}}{\Sigma_n \Sigma_{k'} \gamma_{nk'}}$ .

Taking derivative w.r.t  $\mu_k$ :

$$\frac{d}{d(\boldsymbol{\mu}_{k})} \Sigma_{n} \Sigma_{k'} \gamma_{nk'} ln(\omega_{k'}) + \Sigma_{n} \Sigma_{k'} \gamma_{nk'} ln(N(\boldsymbol{x}_{n} \mid \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k'}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{k'})) - \Sigma_{k'} \alpha_{k'} (-\omega_{k'}) + \lambda((\Sigma_{k'} \omega_{k'}) - 1) = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{d(\boldsymbol{\mu}_{k})} \Sigma_{n} \Sigma_{k'} \gamma_{nk'} ln(\frac{exp(-0.5(\mathbf{x}_{n} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k'})^{T} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{k'}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_{n} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k'}))}{(\sqrt{2\pi})^{D} \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{k'}\|^{0.5}}) = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{d(\boldsymbol{\mu}_{k})} \Sigma_{n} \Sigma_{k'} \gamma_{nk'} (-0.5(\mathbf{x}_{n} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k'})^{T} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{k'}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_{n} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k'})) = 0$$

(denominator doesn't contain  $\mu$ ; ln and exp on the numerator cancel out)

$$\begin{split} \Sigma_n \gamma_{nk} \mathbf{\Sigma}_k^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k) &= 0 \\ (\text{all } k' \neq k \text{ in } \Sigma_{k'} \text{ won't be in derivative}) \\ \boldsymbol{\mu}_k &= \frac{\Sigma_n \gamma_{nk} \mathbf{x}_n}{\Sigma_n \gamma_{nk}} \end{split}$$

Taking derivative w.r.t  $\Sigma_k$ :

$$\frac{d}{d(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{k})} \Sigma_{n} \Sigma_{k'} \gamma_{nk'} ln(\omega_{k'}) + \Sigma_{n} \Sigma_{k'} \gamma_{nk'} ln(N(\boldsymbol{x}_{n} \mid \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k'}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{k'})) - \Sigma_{k'} \alpha_{k'} (-\omega_{k'}) + \lambda((\Sigma_{k'} \omega_{k'}) - 1) = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{d(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{k})} \Sigma_{n} \gamma_{nk} ln(\frac{exp(-0.5(\mathbf{x}_{n} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k})^{T} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{k}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_{n} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k}))}{(\sqrt{2\pi})^{D} ||\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{k}||^{0.5}}) = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{d(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{k})} \Sigma_{n} \gamma_{nk} (-0.5 ln(||\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{k}||) - 0.5(\mathbf{x}_{n} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k})^{T} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{k}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_{n} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k})) = 0$$

$$\Sigma_{n} \gamma_{nk} (-0.5 \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{k}^{-1} + 0.5 \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{k}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_{n} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k})(\mathbf{x}_{n} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k})^{T} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{k}^{-1}) = 0$$

$$(\text{matrix cookbook (51) and (55); } \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{T} = \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$$

$$\Sigma_{n} \gamma_{nk} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{k}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_{n} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k})(\mathbf{x}_{n} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k})^{T} = \Sigma_{n} \gamma_{nk}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{k} = \frac{\Sigma_{n} \gamma_{nk}(\mathbf{x}_{n} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k})(\mathbf{x}_{n} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k})^{T}}{\Sigma_{n} \gamma_{nk}}$$

2.2 Substituting 
$$b_n = ln(p(\mathbf{x}_n, z_n; \theta^{(t)}))$$
 into 1.2 we get 
$$\frac{exp(ln(p(\mathbf{x}_n, z_n; \theta^{(t)})))}{\sum_{n'=1}^N exp(ln(p(\mathbf{x}_{n'}, z_{n'}; \theta^{(t)})))} = \frac{p(z_n|\mathbf{x}_n; \theta^{(t)})p(\mathbf{x}_n|\theta^{(t)})p(\mathbf{x}_n|\theta^{(t)})}{\sum_{n'=1}^N p(z_{n'}|\mathbf{x}_{n'}; \theta^{(t)})p(\mathbf{x}_{n'}|\theta^{(t)})p(\theta^{(t)})} = \frac{p(z_n|\mathbf{x}_n; \theta^{(t)})p(\mathbf{x}_n|\theta^{(t)})}{p(\mathbf{x}_n|\theta^{(t)})} = p(z_n \mid \mathbf{x}_n; \theta^{(t)})$$

**2.3** Change the Gaussian probability into an indicator hard assignment 
$$p(\mathbf{x}_n \mid z_n = k) = \mathbb{I}(k = argmin_j(\|\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_j\|_2^2))$$
.  $p(z_n = k \mid \mathbf{x}_n) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x}_n \mid z_n = k)p(z_n = k)}{p(\mathbf{x}_n)}$ , which is essentially either  $\frac{p(z_n = k)}{p(\mathbf{x}_n)}$  (We can get  $p(z_n = k)$  by counting; I think we can ignore  $p(\mathbf{x}_n)$ ) or 0 depending on whether  $\mathbb{I}(k = argmin_j(\|\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_j\|_2^2))$  is 1 or 0.

## Problem 3 Hidden Markov Model

3.1

$$\begin{split} P(X_{T+1} \mid O_{1:T}) &= \Sigma_{s'} P(X_{T+1} = s, X_T = s' \mid O_{1:T}) \\ &= \Sigma_{s'} P(X_{T+1} = s \mid X_T = s', O_{1:T}) P(X_T = s' \mid O_{1:T}) \\ &= \frac{1}{P(O_{1:T})} \Sigma_{s'} P(X_{T+1} = s \mid X_T = s') P(X_T = s', O_{1:T}) \\ &\propto \Sigma_{s'} a_{s',s} \alpha_{s'}(T) \end{split} \tag{Markov property}$$

**3.2** A HMM can be simulated by a GMM with the following parameter assignments:

$$\begin{split} \pi_s &= \omega_k \\ a_{s,s'} &= \Sigma_{k'} N(x_2 \mid x_1, \mathbf{\Sigma}_{k'}) \\ b_{s,o} &= P(z = k \mid x) = \omega_k N(x \mid \boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \mathbf{\Sigma}_k) \end{split}$$