

Supporting Materials for Lecture 7

I start with the code to reproduce the toy example in slide 9. We create a function that implements the EM algorithm. This function takes as input a starting value for θ , say θ_0 , and the value ϵ used for the stopping criterion: $|\theta^{(t)} - \theta^{(t-1)}| < \epsilon$. The variable `diff` in the code below is just to control whether the convergence criterion is met or not. Although we have started setting `diff=1`, any value greater than ϵ would work. The variable `theta.old` stores the value from the previous iteration, so that we can compute $|\theta^{(t)} - \theta^{(t-1)}|$.

```
rm(list=ls())

toyex=function(theta0,eps){
  diff=1
  theta=theta0
  while(diff>eps){
    theta.old=theta
    theta=2*theta/(5*theta+1)
    diff=abs(theta-theta.old)
  }
  return(theta)
}

toyex(10,0.00001)

## [1] 0.200006
```

I now provide the code for the genetic linkage example (slide 12). It is pretty much similar to the one given above, only with example specific modifications.

```
multi=function(y,theta0,eps){
  n=sum(y); diff=1
  theta=theta0
  while(diff>eps){
    theta.old=theta
    #E step
    zt=y[1]*0.5/(0.5+0.25*theta)
    #M step
    theta=(y[1]+y[4]-zt)/(n-zt)
    diff=abs(theta-theta.old)
  }
  return(theta)
}

y=c(125,18,20,34)
multi(y=y,0.5,0.00001)

## [1] 0.6268207
```

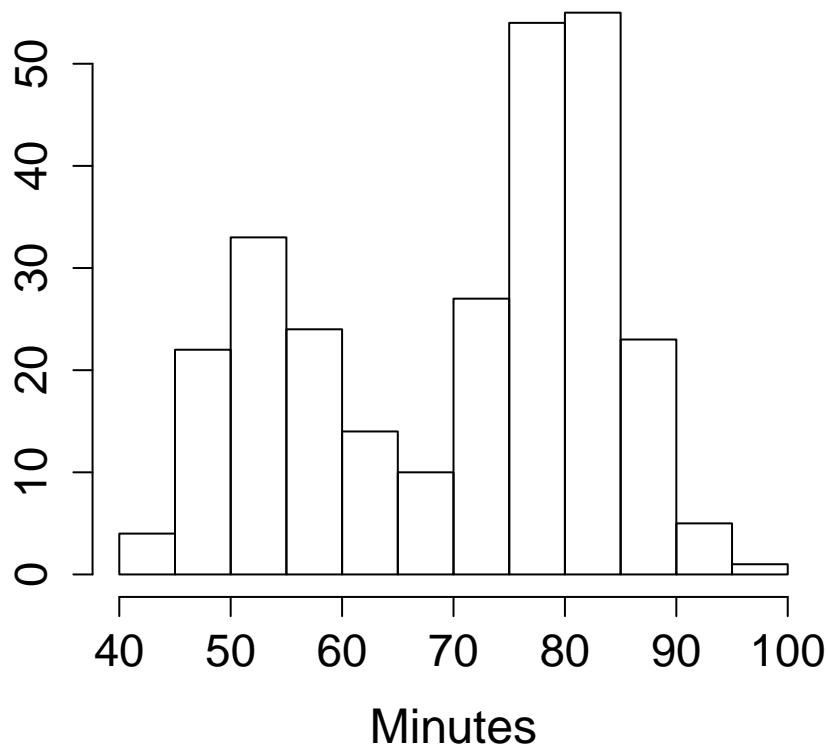
Below, I provide the code to implement the EM algorithm for a mixture of two normal distributions.

```
em.mixture.two.normal=function(y,theta0,eps){
  n=length(y)
  theta=theta0
  p=theta[1]; mu1=theta[2]; sigma1=theta[3]; mu2=theta[4]; sigma2=theta[5]
  diff=1
  while(diff>eps){
    theta.old=theta
    #E-step
    ptilde1=p*dnorm(y,mean=mu1,sd=sigma1)
    ptilde2=(1-p)*dnorm(y,mean=mu2,sd=sigma2)
    ptilde=ptilde1/(ptilde1+ptilde2)
    #M-step
    p=mean(ptilde)
    mu1=sum(y*ptilde)/sum(ptilde)
    sigma1=sqrt(sum(((y-mu1)^2)*ptilde)/sum(ptilde))
    mu2=sum(y*(1-ptilde))/sum(1-ptilde)
    sigma2=sqrt(sum(((y-mu2)^2)*(1-ptilde))/sum(1-ptilde))
    theta=c(p,mu1,sigma1,mu2,sigma2)
    diff=sum(abs(theta-theta.old))
  }
  return(theta)
}
```

We will now load old faithful dataset.

```
data(faithful)
attach(faithful)
hist(waiting, main="Time between Old Faithful eruptions",xlab="Minutes",
      ylab="", cex.main=1.5, cex.lab=1.5, cex.axis=1.4)
```

Time between Old Faithful eruptions

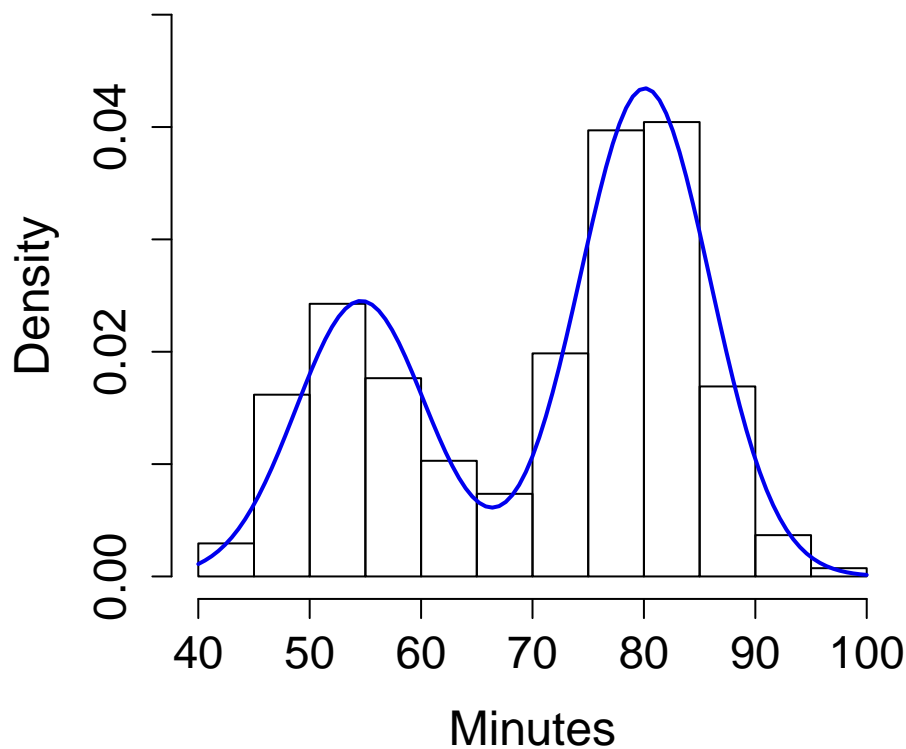


Lastly, we apply the developed function to the data.

```
res=em.mixture.two.normal(y=waiting,c(0.4,40,4,90,4),0.00001)
p=res[1]; mu1=res[2]; sigma1=res[3]; mu2=res[4]; sigma2=res[5]

hist(waiting, main="Time between Old Faithful eruptions",xlab="Minutes",
      ylab="Density", cex.main=1.5, cex.lab=1.5, cex.axis=1.4,freq=F,ylim=c(0,0.05))
curve(p*dnorm(x,mu1,sigma1)+(1-p)*dnorm(x,mu2,sigma2),add=TRUE,lwd=2,col="blue2")
```

Time between Old Faithful eruptions



We can alternatively use the package `mixtools`. The code follows below.

```
require(mixtools)
res1=normalmixEM(waiting,lambda=0.4,mu=c(40,90), sigma=c(4,4))

## number of iterations= 7

p=res1$lambda[1]
mu1=res1$mu[1]; mu2=res1$mu[2]
sigma1=res1$sigma[1]; sigma2=res1$sigma[2]

hist(waiting, main="Time between Old Faithful eruptions",xlab="Minutes",
      ylab="Density", cex.main=1.5, cex.lab=1.5, cex.axis=1.4,freq=F,ylim=c(0,0.05))
curve(p*dnorm(x,mu1,sigma1)+(1-p)*dnorm(x,mu2,sigma2),add=TRUE,lwd=2,col="blue2")
```

Time between Old Faithful eruptions

