

EE 6885 Statistical Pattern Recognition

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Lecture 20 (12/5/05)

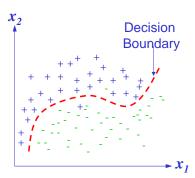
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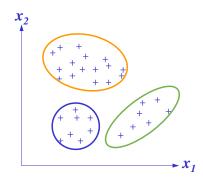
- Topics
 - Clustering
 - GMM and k-means, DHS Chap. 10.2-10.4
 - Criterion Function Maximization, DHS Chap. 10.7
 - Hierarchical Clustering, DHS Chap. 10.9
 - Next lecture: graph-based clustering
- Homework #8, Due Dec. 12th Monday
- Review
 - Dec. 12th Monday
- Final Exam
 - Dec. 16th Friday 1:10-3 pm, Mudd Rm 644

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Classification vs. Clustering



- Data with labels
- Supervised
- Find decision boundaries



- Data without labels
- Unsupervised
- Find data structures and clusters

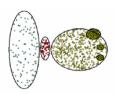
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Applications

- Document Clustering: Text topic discovery
- Image segmentation: Object vs. background, face vs. non-face
- Network traffic pattern mining
- Some challenging cases







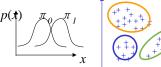
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- Non-spherical clusters
- Clusters with different densities

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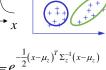
Review: Mixture Of Gaussians

 Model data distributions as GMM



$$p(x) = \sum_{z} p(z) p(x \mid z)$$

$$= \sum_{z=1}^{Z} \pi_{z} N(x \mid \mu_{z}, \Sigma_{z}) = \sum_{z=1}^{Z} \pi_{z} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2} \sqrt{|\Sigma_{z}|}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(x - \mu_{z})^{T} \Sigma_{z}^{-1}(x - \mu_{z})}$$



• Given data $x_1, ..., x_N$, log-likelihood:

$$l = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \log \left(\pi_0 N(x_n | \mu_0, \Sigma_0) + \pi_1 N(x_n | \mu_1, \Sigma_1) \right)$$

- Posterior probability of x being generated by a cluster i $posteriers = \tau^{i} = p(z = i | x, \theta)$ $parameter: \theta = \{\mu_{0}, \Sigma_{0}, \mu_{1}, \Sigma_{1}\}$
- Optimization find $\{\mu_0, \Sigma_0, \mu_1, \Sigma_1\}$ and mixture priors π_z to max. likelihood

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Expectation-Maximization (E-M) Solution of GMM

$$Q(\theta \mid \theta_t) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{z} \underline{p(z \mid x_n, \theta_t)} \ \underline{\log p(x_n, z \mid \theta)} + const$$

EM for estimating θ and τ_i.

$$Expectation: \ \tau_{n}^{i(t)} = \frac{\pi_{i}^{(t)} N\left(x_{n} \mid \mu_{i}^{(t)}, \Sigma_{i}^{(t)}\right)}{\sum_{j} \pi_{i}^{(t)} N\left(x_{n} \mid \mu_{j}^{(t)}, \Sigma_{j}^{(t)}\right)} \quad \text{Weight from component } i$$

$$Maximation: \quad \mu_i^{(\mathsf{t}+1)} = \frac{\sum\limits_{n} \tau_n^{\mathsf{i}(\mathsf{t})} x_n}{\sum\limits_{n} \tau_n^{\mathsf{i}(\mathsf{t})}} \qquad \Sigma_i^{(\mathsf{t}+1)} = \frac{\sum\limits_{n} \tau_n^{\mathsf{i}(\mathsf{t})} \Big(x_n - \mu_i^{(\mathsf{t})} \Big) \Big(x_n - \mu_i^{(\mathsf{t})} \Big)^T}{\sum\limits_{n} \tau_n^{\mathsf{i}(\mathsf{t})}}$$

Divide data to each group, Compute mean and variance from each group

$$\pi_i^{(t+1)} = \frac{\sum_n \tau_n^{i(t)}}{N}$$

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GMM for Clustering

 Given the estimated GMM model, compute the probability that x is generated by cluster i



posteriers =
$$\tau^i = p(z = i | x, \theta), \quad \theta = \{\mu_0, \Sigma_0, \mu_1, \Sigma_1, \pi_0\}$$

Expectation:
$$\tau_{n}^{i(t)} = \frac{\pi_{i}^{(t)} N(x_{n} \mid \mu_{i}^{(t)}, \Sigma_{i}^{(t)})}{\sum_{j} \pi_{i}^{(t)} N(x_{n} \mid \mu_{j}^{(t)}, \Sigma_{j}^{(t)})}$$

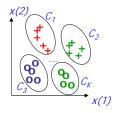
 Each sample is assigned to every cluster with a 'soft' decision.

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Comparison: K-Mean Clustering

- K-mean clustering
 - Fix K values
 - Choose initial representative of each cluster
 - Map each sample to its closest cluster



$$for \ i=1,2,...,N,$$

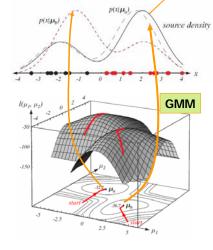
$$x_i \rightarrow C_k, if \ Dist(x_i,C_k) < Dist(x_i,C_{k'}), k \neq k' \quad \mbox{Hard decision}$$

$$end$$

- Re-compute the centers
- Can be used to initialize the EM for GMM

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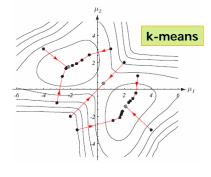
Clustering Example



- Soft memberships
- Multiple local maximums with different "scores"

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$$p(x) = \frac{1}{3}N(-2,1) + \frac{2}{3}N(2,1)$$



- Symmetrical wrt diagonal line
- Multiple local maximums
- May converge to trivial solutions
- Hard memberships

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Fuzzy K-Means Clustering

- incorporate soft membership into k-means clustering
- optimize a global cost function in each iteration

$$\boldsymbol{J}_{\text{fuz}} = \sum_{i=1}^{c} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \left[\hat{p}(\omega_{i} \mid \mathbf{x}_{j}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \right]^{b} \left\| \mathbf{x}_{j} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{i} \right\|^{2}$$

The optimal solution is:

In each iteration, compute $\hat{p}(\omega_i \mid \mathbf{x}_j) = \frac{(1/d_{ij})^{1/(b-1)}}{\sum_{r=1}^{c} (1/d_{rj})^{1/(b-1)}}$

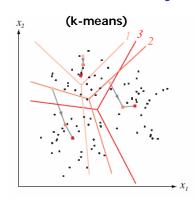
E-step

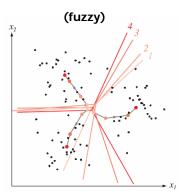
where $d_{ij} = \left\| \mathbf{x}_j - \mathbf{\mu}_i \right\|^2$

What if b=1?

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K-means vs. fuzzy k-means





- Each point mapped to multiple clusters
- The initial centers are close to each other

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Variations of Criterion Functions

Sum of squared errors

$$\boldsymbol{J}_{e} = \sum_{i=1}^{c} \sum_{\boldsymbol{x} \in D_{i}}^{n} \left\| \mathbf{x}_{j} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{i} \right\|^{2}$$

$$J_e = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^c n_i \overline{s}_i$$

 D_i : subset of samples belonging to cluster i (hard assignment)



Avg. squared distance between points in cluster *i*



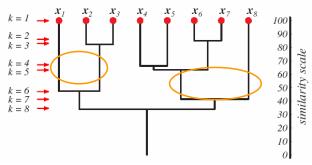


- Sum of squared error criterion tends to favor equal sized clusters
- The new formulation allows replacing squared distance with other measures such as average, min., or max. distance etc.

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Hierarchical Clustering

- Add hierarchical structures to clusters
 - many real-world problems have such hierarchical structures
 - e.g., biological, semantic taxonomy
- Agglomerative vs. Divisive
- Dendrogram



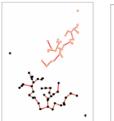
Use large gap of similarity to find a suitable number of clusters
 → clustering validity

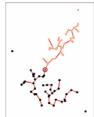
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distances or similarity for merging

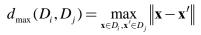
$$d_{\min}(D_i, D_j) = \min_{\mathbf{x} \in D_i, \mathbf{x}' \in D_j} \left\| \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}' \right\|$$







- Nearest neighbor algorithm, minimal algorithm
- Merging results in the min. distance spanning tree
- But sensitive to noise/outlier







- Farthest neighbor algorithm, maximum algorithm
- Use distance threshold to avoid large-diameter clusters
- Discourage forming elongated clusters

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Other distance metrics

$$d_{avg}(D_i, D_j) = \frac{1}{n_i n_j} \sum_{\mathbf{x} \in D_i} \sum_{\mathbf{x}' \in D_j} \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'\| \qquad d_{mean}(D_i, D_j) = \|\mu_i - \mu_j\|$$

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