EXPECTATION MAXIMIZATION

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Multivariate Normal distribution

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Uni-modal dataset











A linear combination of Gaussian distributions forms a superposition

Formulated as a probabilistic model known as mixture distribution









- We have a linear combination of several Gaussians
- Each Gaussian is a cluster, one of K clusters

• Each cluster has a mean and covariance

• Mixing probability,

Parameters - μ , Σ , π

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_k = 1 \qquad ; \qquad 0 \le \pi_k \le 1$$

$$p(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_k \mathcal{N}(x \mid \mu_k, \Sigma_k)$$
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$$\ln \mathcal{N}(x \,|\, \mu, \Sigma) = -\frac{D}{2} \ln 2\pi - \frac{1}{2} \ln \Sigma - \frac{1}{2} (x - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu)$$

Once Optimal values of the parameters are found,

the solution will correspond to the Maximum Likelihood Estimate (MLE)

For a point, x_i , let the cluster to which that point belongs be labeled z_k

values of z_k , satisfy

$$z_k \in \{0,1\} \qquad \sum_k z_k = 1$$

z is a K-dimensional binary random variable having 1-of-K representation,

A particular element z_k is equal to 1 and all other elements are equal to 0

$$p(z) = \prod_{k=1}^{K} \pi_k^{z_k}$$

The conditional distribution of *x*, given a particular value for *z*,

is a Gaussian

$$p(x | z_k = 1) = \mathcal{N}(x | \mu_k, \Sigma_k)$$

$$p(x \mid z) = \prod_{k=1}^{K} \mathcal{N}(x \mid \mu_k, \Sigma_k)^{z_k}$$

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The joint distribution, P(x, z), is given by p(z)p(x | z)

The marginal distribution of x, is obtained by summing the joint distribution over all possible states of z, to give

$$p(x) = \sum_{z} p(z)p(x \mid z) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_k \mathcal{N}(x \mid \mu_k, \Sigma_k)$$

It means that, for every observed data point x_i , there is a corresponding latent variable z_i

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Data set of observations $\{x_1, ..., x_N\}$

X is an $N \times D$ matrix

Z is an $N \times K$ matrix of latent variables

Assumption: Data points are drawn independently from the distribution

$$p(X \mid \pi, \mu, \Sigma) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} p(x_i) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_k \mathcal{N}(x_i \mid \mu_k, \Sigma_k)$$

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Expectation Maximization

For lack of a closed form solution

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We will use an iterative technique

Step1 – Choose some initial values for the means, covariances and mixing coefficients, evaluate log likelihood

Step 2

E-step: Use current values for the parameters to evaluate

the posterior probabilities

$$\gamma(z_{ik}) = p(z_k = 1 | x_i) = \frac{p(z_k = 1)p(x_i | z_k = 1)}{\sum_{j=1}^{K} p(z_j = 1)p(x_i | z_j = 1)}$$
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Step3

M-step: re-estimate means, covariances and mixing coefficients

$$\mu_k^{new} = \frac{1}{N_k} \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma(z_{ik}) x_i$$

$$\Sigma_k^{new} = \frac{1}{N_k} \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma(z_{ik}) (x_i - \mu_k^{new}) (x_i - \mu_k^{new})^T$$

$$\pi_k^{new} = \frac{N_k}{N} \quad \text{where } N_k = \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma(z_{ik})$$

Step4

-Evaluate the log likelihood

$$ln p(X \mid \pi, \mu, \Sigma) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} ln \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_k \mathcal{N}(x_i \mid \mu_k, \Sigma_k)$$