

DM825  
Introduction to Machine Learning

Lecture 13  
**Unsupervised Learning**

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Given  $\{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_m\}$  and no  $y^i$  we want to **cluster** the data

Initialize cluster centroids randomly  $\mu_1, \dots, \mu_k \in \mathbb{R}^n$

**repeat**

**for**  $i = 1 \dots m$  **do**

$c^i \leftarrow \arg \min_l \|x^i - \mu_l\|^2$ ; // assign

**for**  $l = 1 \dots k$  **do**

$\mu_l \leftarrow \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m I\{c^i=l\}x^i}{\sum_{i=1}^m I\{c^i=l\}}$ ; // move

**until** convergence ;

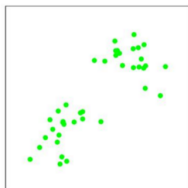
$k$  is a parameter

Optimization of the distortion function  $J(\vec{c}, \vec{\mu}) = \sum_{i=1}^m \|x^i - \mu_{c^i}\|^2$

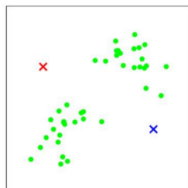
$k$ -means  $\equiv$  coordinate descent on  $J$ : solve in  $\vec{c}, \vec{\mu}$  by changing one variable while keeping the others fixed. Each probability solved optimally.

$J(\vec{c}, \vec{\mu})$  is non convex hence local optimality issues

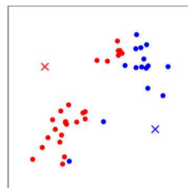
Convergence guaranteed by decreasing  $J$ .



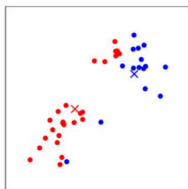
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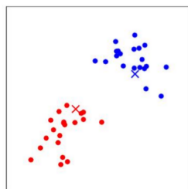
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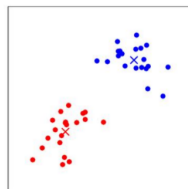
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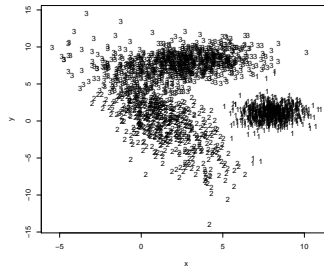
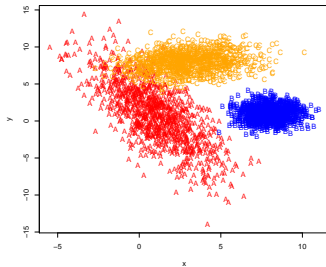


(e)



(f)

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k <- kmeans(train[,1:2], 3)
> k$centers
      x y
1 8.0123 1.0406
2 1.5735 -0.7285
3 2.1856 7.5940
plot(train[,1:2], type='n')
text(train[,1:2], as.character(k$cluster))
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We can simplify complicated distributions  $p(\vec{x})$  by introducing latent variables.  
Then:

$$p(\vec{x}) = \sum_z p(\vec{x}, \vec{z}) = \sum_z p(\vec{x} | \vec{z})p(\vec{z})$$

$p(\vec{x} | \vec{z})$  may be more tractable to express.



# Expectation Maximization Algorithm

Given  $\{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_m\}$  and no  $y^i$  we want to cluster the points.

we wish to model the joint prob. distribution  $p(\mathbf{x}^i, \mathbf{z}^i) = p(\mathbf{x}^i | \mathbf{z}^i)p(\mathbf{z}^i)$

$\mathbf{z}^i$  are latent random variables

- ▶  $z^i \sim \text{Multinomial}(\vec{\phi}), \phi_l \geq 0, \sum_{l=1}^k \phi_l = 1$  ( $p(z^i = l) = \phi^l$ )
- ▶  $\mathbf{x}^i | z^i = l \sim N(\mu_l, \Sigma_l)$

Estimation of  $\phi, \mu, \sigma$  (learning)

$$\ell(\phi, \mu, \Sigma) = \sum_{i=1}^m \log p(x^i, \phi, \mu, \Sigma) = \sum_{i=1}^m \log \sum_{z^i=l}^k p(x^i | z^i, \mu, \Sigma)p(z^i, \phi)$$

If  $z^i$  known (supervised learning):  $\rightsquigarrow$  Gaussian discriminant analysis generalized to  $k > 2$  and different variance

$$\ell(\phi, \mu, \Sigma) = \sum_{i=1}^m \log p(x^i | z^i, \mu, \Sigma) + \log p(z^i, \phi)$$

$$\phi_l = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m I\{z^i = l\}$$

$$\mu_l = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m I\{z^i = l\} x^i}{\sum_{i=1}^m I\{z^i = l\}}$$

$$\Sigma_l = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m I\{z^i = l\} (x^i - \bar{\mu}^i)(x^i - \bar{\mu}^i)^T}{\sum_{i=1}^m I\{z^i = l\}}$$

If  $z^i$  not known (unsupervised learning):

**repeat**

**for**  $i=1 \dots m, l=1 \dots k$  **do**

$w_j \leftarrow p(z^i = l \mid x^i, \phi, \mu, \Sigma);$

// (E-step)

**for**  $l=1 \dots k$  **do**

$$\phi_l = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m w_l^i$$

$$\mu_l = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m w_l^i x^i}{\sum_{i=1}^m w_l^i}$$

(M-step)

$$\Sigma_l = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m w_l^i (\mathbf{x}^i - \vec{\mu}^i)(\mathbf{x}^i - \vec{\mu}^i)^T}{\sum_{i=1}^m w_l^i}$$

**until** convergence ;

$$w_j \leftarrow p(z^i = l \mid x^i, \phi, \mu, \Sigma) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x}^i = l \mid z^i = l, \phi, \mu, \Sigma)p(z^i = l, \phi)}{\sum_{l=1}^k p(\mathbf{x}^i = l \mid z^i = l, \phi, \mu, \Sigma)p(z^i = l, \phi)}$$

## Definition (Convex functions)

$$f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ is convex} \iff f'' \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ is convex} \iff H \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

## Theorem (Jensen's inequality)

$$f \text{ convex, } x \text{ random variable} \implies E[f(x)] \geq f(E[x])$$

$$\text{(if } f \text{ strictly convex} \implies E[f(x)] = f(E[x]) \text{ iff } x = E[x], \text{ ie. } x = c)$$

We wish to fit the parameters of a model  $p(\mathbf{x}, z)$

$$\ell(\vec{\theta}) = \sum_{i=1}^m \log p(\mathbf{x}^i, \vec{\theta}) = \sum_{i=1}^m \log \sum_z p(\mathbf{x}^i, z^i, \vec{\theta})$$

$z^i$  not observed  $\rightsquigarrow$  opt problem not easy

EM does max likelihood estimation:

- ▶ E-step construct lower bound for  $\ell(\vec{\theta})$
- ▶ M-step optimize the LB

$Q_j$  distribution over  $z^i$  ( $Q_i(z) \geq 0$ ),  $\sum_z Q_i(z) = 1$ )

$$\begin{aligned} \ell(\theta) &= \sum_i \log \sum_{z^i} p(x^i, z^i, \theta) \\ &= \sum_i \log \sum_{z^i} Q_i(z^i) \frac{p(x^i, z^i, \theta)}{Q_i(z^i)} && \text{Jensen's ineq. for concave functions} \\ &\geq \sum_i \sum_{z^i} Q_i(z^i) \log \frac{p(x^i, z^i, \theta)}{Q_i(z^i)} && (*) \end{aligned}$$

(\*) gives a LB for  $\ell(\theta) \forall Q_i$ .

Which  $Q_i$  should we choose? Given some parameters  $\theta$ , try to make  $q_i$  highest possible. It holds with equality, i.e.:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{p(x^i, z^i, \theta)}{Q_i(z^i)} &= c \\ Q_i(z^i) &\propto p(x^i, z^i, \theta) \\ Q_i(z^i) &= \frac{p(x^i, z^i, \theta)}{\sum_{z^i} p(x^i, z^i, \theta)} \\ &= \frac{p(x^i, z^i, \theta)}{p(x^i, \theta)} = \\ &= p(z^i | x^i, \theta)\end{aligned}$$

Then maximize (\*) wrt  $\theta$

**repeat**

**for each  $i$  do**

$Q_i(z^i) \leftarrow p(z^i | x^i, \theta)$ ; // E-step

$\theta \leftarrow \arg \max_{\theta} \sum_i \sum_{z^i} Q_i(z^i) \log \frac{p(x^i, z^i, \theta)}{Q_i(z^i)}$ ; // M-step

**until** convergence ;

Convergence: we want to show that  $\ell(\theta^t) \leq \ell(\theta^{t+1})$

$$Q_i^t(z^i) = p(z^i | x^i, \theta^t)$$

$$\ell(\theta^t) = \sum_i \sum_{z^i} Q_i^t(z^i) \log \frac{p(x^i, z^i, \theta^t)}{Q_i^t(z^i)}$$

$$\ell(\theta^{t+1}) \geq \sum_i \sum_{z^i} Q_i^t(z^i) \log \frac{p(x^i, z^i, \theta^{t+1})}{Q_i^t(z^i)} \quad \text{because Jensen } \forall \theta$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\geq \sum_i \sum_{z^i} Q_i^t(z^i) \log \frac{p(x^i, z^i, \theta^t)}{Q_i^t(z^i)} && \text{because } \theta^{t+1} \text{ max's } \ell(\theta) \\ &= \ell(\theta^t) \end{aligned}$$

Thus monotonic convergence. Stop if improvement smaller than a tolerance.  
EM-algorithm as a coordinate descent on

$$J(Q, \vec{\theta}) = \sum_i \sum_{z^i} Q_i(z^i) \log \frac{p(x^i, z^i, \theta)}{Q_i(z^i)}$$

Mixture of Gaussian revisited

E-step:

$$w_i^l = Q_i(z^i = l) = p(z^i = l \mid x^i, \phi, \mu, \Sigma)$$

(prob. of  $z^i$  taking  $l$  under  $Q_i(z^i = l)$ )

M-step:

maximize w.r.t.  $\phi, \mu, \Sigma$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \ell(\theta) &= \sum_i \sum_{z^i} Q_i(z^i) \log \frac{p(x^i, z^i, \theta^t)}{Q_i^t(z^i)} \\ &= \sum_i \sum_{l=1}^k Q_i(z^i) \log \frac{p(x^i \mid z^i = l, \theta^t) p(z^i = l, \phi)}{Q_i^t(z^i)} \\ &= \sum_i \sum_{l=1}^k w_l^i \log \frac{\frac{1}{2\pi^{n/2} \|\Sigma_l\|^{1/2}} \exp(-1/2(x^i - \mu_l)\Sigma_l^{-1}(x^i - \mu_l))}{w_l^i} \end{aligned}$$