

Mixture of Gaussians

1. Mixture of Gaussians for Classification.

In an unsupervised classification problem, we are given data $\{\mathbf{x}_i\}_{i=1}^n$ and a number of classes m , and we try to learn:

$$p(y|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x}|y)p(y)}{p(\mathbf{x})} = \frac{p(\mathbf{x}|y)p(y)}{\sum_{j=1}^m p(\mathbf{x}|y=j)p(y=j)}, \quad (1)$$

where $y \in 1 \dots m$ is the class label, with the hypothesis:

$$y \sim \text{Multinomial}(\phi) \quad (2)$$

$$(\mathbf{x}|y=j) \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_j, \Sigma_j) \quad \forall j \in 1 \dots m. \quad (3)$$

Hence, the parameters of this model are ϕ , $\{\boldsymbol{\mu}_j\}_{j=1}^m$, and $\{\Sigma_j\}_{j=1}^m$. Since the labels y_i of each data point are unknown, we need the EM-algorithm to find locally-maximal log-likelihood estimates for ϕ , $\{\boldsymbol{\mu}_j\}_{j=1}^m$, and $\{\Sigma_j\}_{j=1}^m$.

The attached file `data5a.txt` has two numbers a and n on the first line; a is the dimension of the data, and n is the number of data points. Then n lines follow with a numbers: x_1, \dots, x_a that constitute the data $\{\mathbf{x}_i\}_{i=1}^n$, where $\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathbb{R}^a$.

Plot the data points. Based on the plot, how many classes m do you think the data set should be classified into?

Implement the EM-algorithm to learn the parameters ϕ , $\{\boldsymbol{\mu}_j\}_{j=1}^m$, and $\{\Sigma_j\}_{j=1}^m$ for a given dataset $\{\mathbf{x}_i\}_{i=0}^n$ and a given number of classes m . Apply the EM-algorithm to the dataset using the number of classes m chosen in the previous question. How did you initialize the EM-algorithm? How does the initialization affect the result? Describe what you see. Shows plots of the means and the 1-sigma contours of the Gaussian distributions $\mathbf{x}|y=j$ for $j \in 1 \dots m$ on top of the data upon convergence. show plots of the evolution of the expected log-likelihood during the iteration of the EM-algorithm.

Mixture of Gaussians for Non-linear Regression

for a given number m of constituent Gaussians, where $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\mu}, \Sigma)$ is the probability density at \mathbf{x} of a Gaussian distribution with mean $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ and variance Σ :

$$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\mu}, \Sigma) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^a |\Sigma|}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})\right), \quad (5)$$

where a is the dimension of \mathbf{x} .

Also here, ϕ , $\{\boldsymbol{\mu}_j\}_{j=1}^m$, and $\{\Sigma_j\}_{j=1}^m$ are the parameters of the model, which can be learned using the same EM-algorithm as above given a set of data.

a)

Thus, the expected value and variance of \mathbf{x} is given by,

$$\boldsymbol{\mu} = E(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{j=1}^m \phi_j \boldsymbol{\mu}_j$$

$$\Sigma = \text{Var}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{j=1}^m \phi_j \Sigma_j + \sum_{j=1}^m \phi_j (\boldsymbol{\mu}_j - \boldsymbol{\mu})(\boldsymbol{\mu}_j - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T$$

b)

Given $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$ where x and y are draw from different mixture of Gaussians respectively. The marginal distribution of x is nothing but the same mixture of Gaussians from which it is derived. Thus,

$$p(x) = \sum_{j=1}^m \phi_j \mathcal{N}(\mu_j^x, \Sigma_j^x)$$

c)

The conditional distribution of $x|y$ is also mixture of Gaussians given by,

$$p(x|y) = \sum_{j=1}^m \phi_j^{x|y} \mathcal{N}(x; \mu_j^{x|y}, \Sigma_j^{x|y})$$

The parameters of the this distribution are given as,

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_j^{x|y} &= \frac{\phi_j \mathcal{N}(y; \mu_j^y, \Sigma_j^y)}{\sum_{k=1}^m \phi_k \mathcal{N}(y; \mu_k^y, \Sigma_k^y)} \\ \mu_j^{x|y} &= \mu_j^x + \Sigma_j^{xy} (\Sigma_j^y)^{-1} (y - \mu_j^y) \\ \Sigma_j^{x|y} &= \Sigma_j^x - \Sigma_j^{xy} (\Sigma_j^y)^{-1} \Sigma_j^{xy} \end{aligned}$$

The attached file `data5b.txt` has one number n on the first line, the number of data points. Then n lines follow with 2 numbers: x and y , that constitute the data $\{x_i, y_i\}_{i=1}^n$, where $x_i \in \mathbb{R}$ and $y_i \in \mathbb{R}$.

(d) Plot the data and compute the parameters of the joint mixture of Gaussians distribution of $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$ for varying number m of constituent Gaussians using the EM-algorithm. Plot the means and 1-sigma contours of the constituent Gaussians on top of the data.

(e) Plot the graphs of $E(y|x)$ and the 1-sigma countours $E(y|x) \pm \sqrt{\text{Var}(y|x)}$ as functions of x on top of the data. What happens if you change the number m of constituent Gaussians.



