

Principle of Expectation Maximization (EM)

what is the problem: in GMM it is hard to compute the gradient

We want to maximize $\log p(x|\theta)$ (over θ)

1. we will introduce a latent variable z

$$p(x, z|\theta) = p(x|\theta) \cdot p(z|x)$$

2. $\log p(x|\theta) \stackrel{\downarrow}{=} \log \left[\frac{p(x, z|\theta)}{p(z|x, \theta)} \right] = \log p(x, z|\theta) - \log p(z|x, \theta)$

3. we will define an arbitrary dist: $q(z)$

I will multiply (2.) by q and sum over z

$$p(x, \theta) = \sum_z q(z) p(x|\theta) = \sum_z q(z) \log \left[\frac{p(x, z|\theta)}{p(z|x, \theta)} \right]$$

bcos: $\sum_z q(z) = 1$

$$= \underbrace{\sum_z q(z) \log \left[\frac{p(x, z|\theta)}{q(z)} \right]}_{L(q, \theta)} - \underbrace{\sum_z q(z) \log \left[\frac{p(z|x, \theta)}{q(z)} \right]}_{D_{KL}[q||p(z|x, \theta)]}$$

$L(q, \theta)$

$D_{KL}[q||p(z|x, \theta)]$

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 Kullback-Leibler divergence
 distance

$$D_{KL}(q||p) = 0 \text{ if } q = p$$

$$\geq 0 \forall q, p$$

Properties of D_{KL} : $D_{KL}(p||q) := \sum_i p(i) \log \left[\frac{p(i)}{q(i)} \right]$

$$\sum_i p^{(i)} \log \left(\frac{q^{(i)}}{p^{(i)}} \right) \leq \log \left(\sum_i \frac{p^{(i)} q^{(i)}}{p^{(i)}} \right) = 0$$

$$\leq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \boxed{D_{KL} \geq 0}$$

• $D_{KL} = 0$ if $p = q$

$$\log p(x|\theta) = \mathcal{L}(q, \theta) + D_{KL}(q \| p(z|x, \theta))$$

4. Let's imagine that at iteration t ,
 we have the parameters $\underline{\theta}^{(t)}$

→ we want to find $\underline{\theta}^{(t+1)}$ such that: $\log p(x|\theta^{(t+1)}) \geq \log p(x|\theta^{(t)})$

(i) The E-step consists in using $q(z) = p(z|x, \theta^{(t)})$

you see that at time t : $D_{KL}(q \| p(z|x, \theta^{(t)})) = 0$

(ii) The M-step: $\underline{\theta}^{(t+1)} = \arg \max_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(p(z|x, \theta^{(t)}), \theta)$



⚠ we max over θ
 but $\theta^{(t)}$ is fixed

We thus have: $\mathcal{L}(p(z|x, \theta^{(t+1)}), \theta^{(t+1)}) \geq \mathcal{L}(p(z|x, \theta^{(t)}), \theta^{(t)})$

and therefore: $p(x|\theta^{(t+1)}) \geq p(x|\theta^{(t)})$

detail: $\log p(x|\theta^{(n)}) = \sum_z p(z|x, \theta^{(n)}) \log \left[\frac{p(x, z | \theta^{(n)})}{p(z|x, \theta^{(n)})} \right]$

choosing $q(z)$ as earlier

$$\theta^{(k+1)} = \underset{\theta}{\arg \max} \left[\sum_z p(z|x, \theta^{(k)}) \log \left[\frac{p(x, z | \theta)}{p(z|x, \theta^{(k)})} \right] \right]$$

$$\leq \sum_z p(z|x, \theta^{(k)}) \log \left[\frac{p(x, z | \theta^{(k+1)})}{p(z|x, \theta^{(k)})} \right] + \underbrace{D_{KL} [p(z|x, \theta^{(k)}) \| p(z|x, \theta^{(k+1)})]}_{\text{we just add a positive term}}$$

$$= p(x|\theta^{(k+1)})$$

Application of EM to GMM

For a given data x_i , we define the vector

$$z_{ih} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i \in \text{cluster } h \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{one-hot} \\ \text{vector} \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{\sum_h z_{ih} = 1}$$

$$p(x|\theta) = \sum_z \left[\prod_h g_h \cdot \mathcal{N}(x, \theta_h) \right]^{z_h} = \sum_{h=1}^c g_h \mathcal{N}(x, \theta_h)$$

$$p(x|\theta) = \sum_z p(x, z|\theta)$$

$$p(x, z|\theta) = p(x, z) \cdot p(z)$$

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prob to have x and
clus h

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} p(x|z) = \prod_{k=1}^c \mathcal{N}(x, \theta_k)^{z_k} \\ p(z) = \prod_{h=1}^c g_h^{z_h} \end{array} \right\}$$

We can define $p(z_n=1|x) = \frac{p(x|z_n=1) \cdot p(z_n=1)}{\sum_e p(x|z_e=1) \cdot p(z_e=1)}$

$$= \frac{g_n \cdot \mathcal{N}(x|\theta_n)}{\sum_e g_e \mathcal{N}(x|\theta_e)} : \text{the responsibility}$$

We will use $q(z) = p(z|x, \theta)$

Now we compute $\mathbb{E}_{p(z|x)} [\log p(x, z|\theta)]$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{p(z|x)} \left[\sum_n z_n \left\{ \log g_n + \log \mathcal{N}(x|\mu_n, \sigma_n) \right\} \right] \quad (*)$$

$$1) \mathbb{E}_{p(z|x)} [z_n] = \frac{\sum_n z_n \left[g_n^{(n)} \cdot \mathcal{N}(x|\mu_n^{(n)}, \sigma_n^{(n)}) \right]^{z_n}}{\sum_e \left[g_e^{(e)} \mathcal{N}(x|\mu_e^{(e)}, \sigma_e^{(e)}) \right]}$$

$$= \frac{g_n^{(n)} \mathcal{N}(x|\mu_n^{(n)}, \sigma_n^{(n)})}{\sum_e g_e^{(e)} \mathcal{N}(x|\mu_e^{(e)}, \sigma_e^{(e)})} = p(z_n=1|x, \theta^{(n)})$$

Find the update eq for μ :

$$\bullet \frac{\partial \ell^{(h)}}{\partial \mu_h} = 0 \Rightarrow \sum_h p(z_h=1 | x, \theta^{(h)}) \cdot \frac{(x - \mu_h)}{\sigma_h^2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu_h = \frac{p(z_h=1 | x, \theta^{(h)}) \cdot x}{p(z_h=1 | x, \theta^{(h)})}$$

for many data:

$$\mu_h^{(h+1)} = \frac{\sum_i p(z_{ih}=1 | x_i, \theta^{(h)}) x_i}{\sum_i p(z_{ih}=1 | x_i, \theta^{(h)})}$$

resp μ_i

for the variance & the density you get the EM eqs