

CLUSTERING: GAUSSIAN MIXTURE MODELS

-APPLIED MULTIVARIATE ANALYSIS-

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Remember from LDA classification that we specify:

$$p(X|Y = j) = N(\mu_j, \Sigma)$$

and

$$p(Y = j) = \pi_j$$

That is, we model the conditional distribution of X given Y as a multivariate normal.

Clustering is a lot like classification, without the labels
(that is, we don't know Y)

REMINDER: MARGINALIZATION AND CONDITIONAL PROBABILITY

Suppose we have the joint density of two random variables Z, W . If we don't the values of W , we just look at the **marginal density** of Z as:

$$f(z) = \int f(z, w)dw$$

Also, we can always write

$$f(z, w) = f(z|w)f(w)$$

Therefore,

$$f(z) = \int f(z|w)f(w)dw$$

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Therefore, we can write

$$p(X) = \sum_{j=1}^K p(X, Y = j) = \sum_{j=1}^K p(X|Y = j)p(Y = j)$$

Now, we have a distribution on X alone. This gives us a likelihood

$$\prod_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^K p(x_i|Y_i = j)p(Y = j)$$

Now, if we can just maximize this likelihood...

(Using **expectation maximization** (EM))

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Now, there are many choices for $p(X|Y = j)$:

- $N(\mu_j, \sigma^2 I)$ (corresponds nearly to K-means)
- $N(\mu_j, \sigma_j^2 I)$
- $N(\mu_j, \Sigma)$
- $N(\mu_j, \Sigma_j)$

Note: these are in increasing order of complexity.

We can use BIC to choose the number of parameters for maximum likelihood in this situation!

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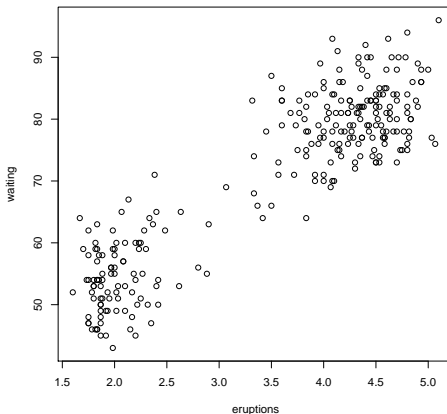


FIGURE: Data from 'Old Faithful' geyser in Yellowstone. **eruptions** is length of the eruption and **waiting** is time until next eruption.

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identifier	Model	HC	EM	Distribution	Volume	Shape	Orientation
E		•	•	(univariate)	equal		
V		•	•	(univariate)	variable		
EII	λI	•	•	Spherical	equal	equal	NA
VII	$\lambda_k I$	•	•	Spherical	variable	equal	NA
EEI	λA		•	Diagonal	equal	equal	coordinate axes
VEI	$\lambda_k A$		•	Diagonal	variable	equal	coordinate axes
EVI	λA_k		•	Diagonal	equal	variable	coordinate axes
VVI	$\lambda_k A_k$		•	Diagonal	variable	variable	coordinate axes
EEE	$\lambda D A D^T$	•	•	Ellipsoidal	equal	equal	equal
EEV	$\lambda D_k A D_k^T$		•	Ellipsoidal	equal	equal	variable
VEV	$\lambda_k D_k A D_k^T$		•	Ellipsoidal	variable	equal	variable
VVV	$\lambda_k D_k A_k D_k^T$	•	•	Ellipsoidal	variable	variable	variable

FIGURE: Acronyms for Mclust in R.

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library(mclust)
faithGMM = Mclust(faithful)
> summary(faithGMM)
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Gaussian finite mixture model fitted by
EM algorithm
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Mclust EEE (elliposidal, equal volume,
shape and orientation) model with 3 components:
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log.likelihood	n	df	BIC
-1126.361	272	11	-2314.386

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Clustering table:
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1	2	3
130	97	45

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