

## Learning

Incomplete Data

## Overview

## Incomplete Data

- Multiple settings:
- Hidden variables
- Missing values
- Challenges
- Foundational - is the learning task well defined?
- Computational - how can we learn with incomplete data?


## Why latent variables?

- Model sparsity


17 parameters


## Why latent variables?

- Discovering clusters in data


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## Treating Missing Data

Sample sequence: $H, T, ?, ?, H, ?, H$

- Case I: A coin is tossed on a table, occasionally it drops and measurements are not taken

- Case II: A coin is tossed, but sometimes tails are not reported

$$
H+T+H T H
$$

We need to consider the missing data mechanism

## Modeling Missing Data Mechanism

- $\mathbf{X}=\left\{\mathrm{X}_{1}, \ldots, \mathrm{X}_{\mathrm{n}}\right\}$ are randomvariables
- Sometimes missing
- $\mathbf{O}=\left\{\mathrm{O}_{1}, \ldots, \mathrm{O}_{\mathrm{n}}\right\}$ are observability variables
- Always observed
- $\mathrm{Y}=\left\{\mathrm{Y}_{1}, \ldots, \mathrm{Y}_{n}\right\}$ new random variables
$-\operatorname{Val}\left(\mathrm{Y}_{\mathrm{i}}\right)=\operatorname{Val}\left(Y_{i}\right) \cup\{?\}$
- Always observed
$-Y_{i}$ is a deterministic function of $X_{i}$ and $O_{i}$ :

$$
Y_{i}=\left\{\begin{array}{cc}
X_{i} & O_{X_{i}}=o^{1} \\
? & o_{X_{i}}=o^{0}
\end{array}\right.
$$

## Modeling Missing Data Mechanism

## Case I

(random missing values)

(a) Random missing values

## Case II <br> (deliberate missing values)

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## Identifiability

- Likelihood can have multiple global maxima
- Example:
- We can rename the values of the hidden variable H
- If H has two values, likelihood has two global maxima
- With many hidden variables, there can be an exponential number of global maxima
- Multiple local and global maxima can also occur with missing data (not only hidden variables)


## Likelihood for Complete Data

Input Data:

| $\mathbf{X}$ | $\mathbf{Y}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{x}^{0}$ | $\mathrm{y}^{0}$ |
| $\mathrm{x}^{0}$ | $\mathrm{y}^{1}$ |
| $\mathrm{x}^{1}$ | $\mathrm{y}^{0}$ |


| $\boldsymbol{P}(\boldsymbol{X})$ |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{x}^{0}$ | $\mathrm{x}^{1}$ |
| $\theta_{\mathrm{x} 0}$ | $\theta_{\mathrm{x} 1}$ |

- Likelihood decomposes by variables
- Likelihood decomposes within CPDs


Likelihood:
$L(D: \theta)=P(x[1], y[1]) P(x[2], y[2]) P(x[3], y[3])$ $=P\left(x^{0}, y^{0}\right) P\left(x^{0}, y^{1}\right) P\left(x^{1}, y^{0}\right)$

$=\theta_{x^{0}} \theta_{y^{0} \mid x^{0}} \theta_{x^{0}} \theta_{y^{1} \mid x^{0}} \theta_{x^{1}} \theta_{y^{0} \mid x^{1}}$| $\boldsymbol{x}$ |
| :---: | | $\mathrm{x}^{0}$ | $\mathrm{y}^{0}$ | $\mathrm{y}^{1}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\theta_{y 01 \times 0}$ | $\theta_{y_{1} 1 \times 0}$ |  |
| $\mathrm{x}^{1}$ | $\theta_{y 001 \times 1}$ | $\theta_{y^{1} 1 \times 1}$ | $\theta_{x^{0}}^{M[x=0]}\left(1-\theta_{x^{0}}\right)^{M[x=1]} \times \quad$ Daphne Koller

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| $\mathrm{x}^{0}$ | $\mathrm{y}^{1}$ |
| $?$ | $\mathrm{y}^{0}$ |


| $x^{0}$ | $x^{1}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\theta_{x 0}$ | $\theta_{x 1}$ |

$$
=\theta_{x^{0}} \theta_{y^{1} \mid x^{0}} \sum_{x} \theta_{x^{x}} \theta_{y^{0} \mid x^{x}}
$$

Likelihood:


## Multimodal Likelihood



## Parameter Correlations

- Total of 8 data points
- Some X's unobserved





## Summary

- Incomplete data arises often in practice
- Raises multiple challenges \& issues:
- The mechanism for missingness
- Identifiability
- Complexity of likelihood function


## Likelihood with Incomplete Data



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## Gradient Ascent



- Follow gradient of likelihood w.r.t. parameters
- Line search \& conjugate gradient methods for fas $\dagger$ convergence


## Gradient Ascent

- Theorem:

Let $\mathcal{G}$ be a Bayesian network structure over $\mathcal{X}$, and let $\mathcal{D}=$ $\{\boldsymbol{o}[1], \ldots, \boldsymbol{o}[M]\}$ be a partially observable data set. Let $X$ be a variable and $\boldsymbol{U}$ its parents in $\mathcal{G}$. Then

$$
\frac{\partial \ell(\boldsymbol{\theta}: \mathcal{D})}{\partial P(x \mid \boldsymbol{u})}=\frac{1}{P(x \mid \boldsymbol{u})} \sum_{m=1}^{M} P(x, \boldsymbol{u} \mid \boldsymbol{o}[m], \boldsymbol{\theta})
$$

- Requires computing $P\left(X_{i}, \boldsymbol{U}_{i} \mid d[m], \boldsymbol{\theta}\right)$ for all i,m
- Can be done with clique-tree algorithm, since $X_{i}, \boldsymbol{U}_{i}$ are in the same clique


## Gradient Ascent Summary

- Need to run inference over each data instance at every iteration
- Pros ensure that parameters define legal
- Flexible, can be extended to non table CPDs
- Cons
- Constrained optimization: need tCPDs
- For reasonable convergence, need to combine with advanced methods (conjugate gradient, line search)


## Expectation Maximization (EM)

- Special-purpose algorithm designed for optimizing likelihood functions
- Intuition
- Parameter estimation is easy given complete data
- Computing probability of missing data is "easy" (=inference) given parameters


## Example

MLE estimate for $\theta_{d^{1} \mid c^{0}}$ if all data were fully observed:

$$
\hat{\theta}_{d^{1} \mid c^{0}}=\frac{M\left[d^{1}, c^{0}\right]}{M\left[c^{0}\right]}=\frac{\sum_{m=1}^{M} \mathbb{I}\left\{\xi[m]\langle D, C\rangle=\left\langle d^{1}, c^{0}\right\rangle\right\}}{\sum_{m=1}^{M} \mathbb{I}\left\{\xi[m]\langle C\rangle=c^{0}\right\}}
$$

Now assume we have a sample $\boldsymbol{o}=\left\langle a^{1}, ?, ?, d^{0}\right\rangle$
Four possible assignments of $b, c$
-If we knew the true assignment we could compute the MLE parameters
-If we knew the parameters we could compute the probability of each assingment

Parameters:

| $\boldsymbol{\theta}_{a^{1}}$ | $\boldsymbol{\theta}_{b^{1}}$ |
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This is like having four data instances with weights.


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\text { wrong } \\
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\end{array} \\
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& =0.8852+0.0492+0.1290+0.3423=1.4057 &
\end{array}
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wrong formula in the book

Once you have the expected counts, you can do MLE estimation and update the parameters

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## EM Overview

- Pick a starting point for parameters
- Iterate:
- E-step (Expectation): "Complete" the data using current parameters
- M-step (Maximization): Estimate parameters relative to data completion
- Guaranteed to improve $L(\theta: D)$ at each iteration


## Example: Clustering

Clustering methods


- hard clustering: clusters do not overlap
- soft clustering: clusters may overlap

Mixture models

- probabilistically-grounded way of doing soft clustering
- each cluster: a generative model (Gaussian or multinomial)
- parameters (e.g. mean/covariance are unknown)


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- What if we don't know the source?
- If we knew parameters of the Gaussians $\left(\mu, \sigma^{2}\right)$, we can guess whether point is more likely to be $a$ or $b$.

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\begin{align*}
P\left(b \mid x_{i}\right) & =\frac{P\left(x_{i} \mid b\right) P(b)}{P\left(x_{i} \mid b\right) P(b)+P\left(x_{i} \mid a\right) P(a)}  \tag{0}\\
P\left(x_{i} \mid b\right) & =\frac{1}{\sqrt{2 \pi \sigma_{b}^{2}}} \exp \left(-\frac{\left(x_{i}-\mu_{b}\right)^{2}}{2 \sigma_{b}^{2}}\right) \tag{0}
\end{align*}
$$000000

## EM for GMMs

- Chicken and egg problem
- need $\left(\mu_{a}, \sigma_{a}^{2}\right)$ and ( $\left.\mu_{b}, \sigma_{b}{ }^{2}\right)$ to guess source of points
- need to know source to estimate ( $\mu_{a}, \sigma_{a}{ }^{2}$ ) and ( $\mu_{b}, \sigma_{b}{ }^{2}$ )
- EM algorithm
- start with two randomly placed Gaussians $\left(\mu_{a} \sigma_{a}^{2}\right),\left(\mu_{b}, \sigma_{b}{ }^{2}\right)$
- for each point: $P\left(b \mid x_{i}\right)=$ does it look like it came from $b$ ?
- adjust $\left(\mu_{a^{\prime}}, \sigma_{a}{ }^{2}\right)$ and $\left(\mu_{b}, \sigma_{b}{ }^{2}\right)$ to fit points assigned to them


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## Expectation-Maximization

Iterate until convergence:
On the $t$ - th iteration let our estimates be

$$
\lambda_{t}=\left\{\mu_{1}(t), \mu_{2}(t) \ldots \mu_{c}(t)\right\} \quad \begin{gathered}
\text { Just evaluate a } \\
\text { Gaussian at } x_{k}
\end{gathered}
$$

E-step: Compute "expected" classes of all datapoints for each class

$$
\mathrm{P}\left(z_{i} \mid x_{k}, \lambda_{t}\right)=\frac{\mathrm{p}\left(x_{k} \mid z_{i}, \lambda_{t}\right) \mathrm{P}\left(z_{i} \mid \lambda_{t}\right)}{\mathrm{p}\left(x_{k} \mid \lambda_{t}\right)}=\frac{\mathrm{p}\left(x_{k} \mid z_{i}, \mu_{i}(t), \sigma^{2} \mathbf{I}\right) p_{i}(t)}{\sum_{j=1}^{c} \mathrm{p}\left(x_{k} \mid z_{j}, \mu_{j}(t), \sigma^{2} \mathbf{I}\right) p_{j}(t)}
$$

M-step: Estimate $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ given our data's class membership distributions

$$
\mu_{i}(t+1)=\frac{\sum_{k} \mathrm{P}\left(z_{i} \mid x_{k}, \lambda_{t}\right) x_{k}}{\sum_{k} \mathrm{P}\left(z_{i} \mid x_{k}, \lambda_{t}\right)}
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## EM Summary

- Need to run inference over each data instance at every iteration
- Pros
- Easy to implement on top of MLE for complete data
- Makes rapid progress, especially in early iterations
- Cons
- Convergence slows down at later iterations

