Expectation Maximization, and Learning from Partly Unobserved Data

Recommended reading:

"An Introduction to HMMs and Bayesian Networks," Z. Ghahramani, *Int. Journal of Pattern Recognition and AI*, 15(1):9-42, (2001).

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Outline

- EM₁: Learning Bayes network CPT's from partly unobserved data
- EM₂: Learning HMM's with unobserved hidden states
- EM₃: Mixture of Gaussians clustering
- EM: the general story

1. Learning Bayes net parameters from partly unobserved data

Learning CPTs from Fully Observed Data

• Example: Consider learning the parameter

$$\theta_{s|ij} \equiv P(S = 1|F = i, A = j)$$

 MLE (Max Likelihood Estimate) is

$$\theta_{s|ij} = \underbrace{\frac{\sum_{k=1}^{K} \delta(f_k = i, a_k = j, s_k = 1)}{\sum_{k=1}^{K} \delta(f_k = i, a_k = j)}}_{\mathbf{k}^{\text{th}} \text{ training}}$$

• Remember why?

example



MLE estimate of from fully observed data

Flu

Allerg

Nose

Sinus

• Maximum likelihood estimate $\theta \leftarrow \arg \max_{\theta} \log P(data|\theta)$



$$\log P(data|\theta) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \log P(f_k) + \log P(a_k) + \log P(s_k|f_ka_k) + \log P(h_k|s_k) + \log P(n_k|s_k)$$

$$\frac{\partial \log P(data|\theta)}{\partial \theta_{s|ij}} = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \frac{\partial \log P(s_k|f_k a_k)}{\partial \theta_{s|ij}}$$

$$\theta_{s|ij} = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{K} \delta(f_k = i, a_k = j, s_k = 1)}{\sum_{k=1}^{K} \delta(f_k = i, a_k = j)}$$

Estimate θ when S unobservable, FAHN observed

• Can't calculate maximum likelihood estimate $\theta \leftarrow \arg \max_{\theta} \log P(F, A, S, H, N | \theta)$



- Chicken and egg problem
- What do we want to maximize in order to choose $\theta_{s|ij}$??

$$\arg\max_{\theta} \sum_{i} P(S = i | F, A, H, N, \theta) \log P(F, A, S = i, H, N | \theta)]$$

 $= \arg \max_{\theta} E_{S|F,A,H,N,\theta} [\log P(F,A,S,H,N|\theta)]$

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$$\theta \leftarrow \arg \max_{\theta} \sum_{i} P(S = i | F, A, H, N, \theta) \log P(F, A, S = i, H, N | \theta)$$
$$= \arg \max_{\theta} E_{S|F, A, H, N, \theta} [\log P(F, A, S, H, N | \theta)]$$

EM is a general procedure for solving such problems

Given observed variables X, unobserved Z (X={F,A,H,N}, Z={S}) Define $Q(\theta'|\theta) = E_{Z|X,\theta}[\log P(X,Z|\theta')]$

Iterate until convergence:

• E Step: Calculate $Q(\theta'|\theta)$ by using X and current θ to estimate $P(Z|X,\theta)$

• M Step: Replace current θ by

$$\theta \leftarrow \arg \max_{\theta'} Q(\theta'|\theta)$$

EM and estimating $\theta_{s|ij}$

observed $X = \{F,A,H,N\}$, unobserved $Z=\{S\}$)



E step: Calculate for each training example, k $P(S_k = 1 | f_k a_k h_k n_k, \theta) = E[s_k] = \frac{P(S_k = 1, f_k a_k h_k n_k | \theta)}{P(S_k = 1, f_k a_k h_k n_k | \theta) + P(S_k = 0, f_k a_k h_k n_k | \theta)}$

M step:

$$\theta_{s|ij} \leftarrow \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{K} \delta(f_k = i, a_k = j) P(s_k = 1 | f_k a_k h_k n_k, \theta)}{\sum_{k=1}^{K} \delta(f_k = i, a_k = j)}$$

Recall MLE was:
$$\theta_{s|ij} = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{K} \delta(f_k = i, a_k = j, s_k = 1)}{\sum_{k=1}^{K} \delta(f_k = i, a_k = j)}$$

2. Learning HMM's with EM

Learning HMMs from fully observed data is easy



 $P(O_i \mid X_i)$

 $P(X_i \mid X_{i-1})$

Learning HMMs from fully observed data is easy



Learning HMMs with EM



Just 3 distributions: $P(X_1)$ $P(X_i | X_{i-1}) = \theta$ $P(O_i | X_i)$

Observed data: $O \equiv O_1, \ldots O_n$ Unobserved data: $X \equiv X_1, \ldots X_n$

EM: $Q(\theta'|\theta) = E_{X|O,\theta}[\log P(X,O|\theta')]$

E step: compute $P(X|O, \theta)$

M step: $\theta \leftarrow \arg \max_{\theta'} Q(\theta'|\theta)$

Learning HMMs: E step



Observed data: $O \equiv O_1, \ldots O_n$ Unobserved data: $X \equiv X_1, \ldots X_n$

E step: compute $P(X|O, \theta)$

use the Forward-Backward algorithm!

The forward-backward algorithm

 $Q_5 = \mathbf{C}$

 $P(X_i \mid o_1 \mid n)$

Complexity

- $X_1 = \{a, \dots z\} \longrightarrow X_2 = \{a, \dots z\} \longrightarrow X_3 = \{a, \dots z\} \longrightarrow X_4 = \{a, \dots z\} \longrightarrow X_5 = \{a, \dots z\}$ $Q_4 = C$ O₃ =
- Initialization: $\alpha_1(X_1) = P(X_1)P(o_1 \mid X_1)$
- For i = 2 to n
 - Generate a forwards factor by eliminating X_{i-1}

$$\alpha_i(X_i) = \sum_{x_{i-1}} P(o_i \mid X_i) P(X_i \mid X_{i-1} = x_{i-1}) \alpha_{i-1}(x_{i-1})$$

- Initialization: $\beta_n(X_n) = 1$
- For i = n-1 to 1
 - Generate a backwards factor by eliminating X_{i+1}

$$\beta_i(X_i) = \sum_{x_{i+1}} P(o_{i+1} \mid x_{i+1}) P(x_{i+1} \mid X_i) \beta_{i+1}(x_{i+1})$$

• \forall i, probability is: $P(X_i \mid o_{1..n}) = \alpha_i(X_i)\beta_i(X_i)$

Learning HMMs



Observed data: $O \equiv O_1, \ldots O_n$ Unobserved data: $X \equiv X_1, \ldots, X_n$

E step: compute $P(X|O,\theta)$

 using forward/backward algorithm $\begin{array}{l} \text{M step: } \theta \leftarrow \arg\max_{\theta'} Q(\theta'|\theta) \\ Q(\theta'|\theta) = E_{X|O,\theta}[\log P(X,O|\theta')] \end{array} \end{array}$

 $\log P(X, O|\theta') = \log [P(X_1|\theta')P(O_1|X_1, \theta') \prod P(X_i|X_{i-1}, \theta')P(O_i|X_i, \theta')]$ i=2

HMMs: M step:
$$\theta \leftarrow \arg \max_{\theta'} Q(\theta'|\theta)$$

 $X_{i} \in \{a, b\} \in \{a, b\} \in \{a, c\} \in \{a, c\}\}$
 $Q(\theta'|\theta) = E_{X|O,\theta}[\log P(X, O|\theta')]$
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 $\log P(X, O|\theta') = \log[P(X_1|\theta')P(O_1|X_1, \theta')\prod_{i=2}^n P(X_i|X_{i-1}, \theta')P(O_i|X_i, \theta')]$
 $= \log P(X_1|\theta') + \sum_{i=2}^n \log P(X_i|X_{i-1}, \theta') + \sum_{i=1}^n \log P(O_i|X_i, \theta')$

 $E_{X|O,\theta}[\log P(X, O|\theta')] = E_{X_1|O,\theta}[\log P(X_1|\theta')] + \sum_{i=2}^{n} E_{X_i, X_{i-1}|O,\theta}[\log P(X_i|X_{i-1}, \theta')] + \sum_{i=1}^{n} E_{X_i|O,\theta}[\log P(O_i|X_i, \theta')]]$

HMM's: M Step: $\theta \leftarrow \arg \max_{\theta'} Q(\theta'|\theta)$

 $Q(\theta'|\theta) \equiv E_{X|O,\theta}[\log P(X,O|\theta')]$

 $E_{X|O,\theta}[\log P(X, O|\theta')] = E_{X_1|O,\theta}[\log P(X_1|\theta')] + \sum_{i=2}^{n} E_{X_i, X_{i-1}|O,\theta}[\log P(X_i|X_{i-1}, \theta')] + \sum_{i=1}^{n} E_{X_i|O,\theta}[\log P(O_i|X_i, \theta')]]$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial Q(\theta'|\theta)}{\partial \theta'} &= 0 \quad \Rightarrow \\ \pi'_i \equiv \hat{P}(X_1 = i) \leftarrow P(X_1 = i|O, \theta) \\ \phi'_{ij} \equiv \hat{P}(X_t = i|X_{t-1} = j) \leftarrow \frac{\sum_{t=2}^T P(X_t = i, X_{t-1} = j|O, \theta)}{\sum_{t=2}^T P(X_{t-1} = j|O, \theta)} \\ \lambda'_{ij} \equiv \hat{P}(O_t = i|X_t = j) \leftarrow \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T \delta(O_t = i) P(X_t = j|O, \theta)}{\sum_{t=1}^T P(X_t = j|O, \theta)} \\ \theta &= \langle \pi, \phi, \lambda \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Learning HMMs



Observed data: $O \equiv O_1, \ldots O_n$ Unobserved data: $X \equiv X_1, \ldots X_n$

E step: compute $P(X|O, \theta)$

using forward/backward algorithm

M step: $\theta \leftarrow \arg \max_{\theta'} Q(\theta'|\theta)$ $\theta = \langle \pi, \phi, \lambda \rangle$ $\pi'_i \equiv \hat{P}(X_1 = i) \leftarrow P(X_1 = i|O, \theta)$

$$\phi_{ij}' \equiv \hat{P}(X_t = i | X_{t-1} = j) \leftarrow \frac{\sum_{t=2}^{T} P(X_t = i, X_{t-1} = j | O, \theta)}{\sum_{t=2}^{T} P(X_{t-1} = j | O, \theta)}$$

$$\lambda'_{ij} \equiv \hat{P}(O_t = i | X_t = j) \leftarrow \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T \delta(O_t = i) P(X_t = j | O, \theta)}{\sum_{t=1}^T P(X_t = j | O, \theta)}$$

Repeat until converged

What you should know about EM

- For learning from partly unobserved data
- MLEst of $\theta = \arg \max_{\theta} \log P(data|\theta)$
- EM estimate: $\theta = \arg \max_{\theta} E_{Z|X,\theta}[\log P(X, Z|\theta)]$ Where X is observed part of data, Z is unobserved $Q(\theta'|\theta) = E_{Z|X,\theta}[\log P(X, Z|\theta')]$
- EM for training Bayes networks
- EM for training HMMs
- Be able to derive your own EM algorithm for your own problem