Statistical learning of latent variable models for complex data analysis

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Research interests

- The area of statistical learning and analysis of complex data.
- Acquiring knowledge from such data:
 - \hookrightarrow exploratory analysis
 - \hookrightarrow decisional analysis: make decision and prediction for future data

Scientific context

- density estimation
- regression
- classification/segmentation

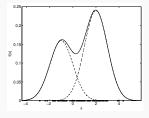
Goals and tools

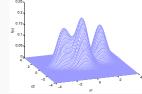
- define generative probabilistic models
- propose estimation procedures

Mixture modeling framework

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■ Mixture density: $f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbb{P}(z=k) f(x|z=k) = \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k f_k(x)$





■ Generative model

$$z \sim \mathcal{M}(1; \pi_1, \dots, \pi_k)$$

 $x|z \sim f(x|z)$

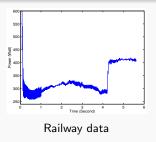
Fitting such models is in the core of the analysis task

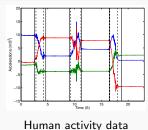
Outline

- 1 Mixture models for temporal data segmentation
- 2 Mixture models for functional data analysis
- 3 Bayesian (non-)parametric mixtures for spatial and multivariate data

Temporal data

Temporal data with regime changes





Data with regime changes over time

- Abrupt and/or smooth regime changes
- Multidimensional temporal data

Objectives

Temporal data modeling and segmentation

Outline

- Mixture models for temporal data segmentation
 - Regression with hidden logistic process
 - Multiple hidden process regression
 - Non-normal mixtures of experts
- Mixture models for functional data analysis
- Bayesian (non-)parametric mixtures for spatial and multivariate data

Mixture models for temporal data segmentation

 $y=(y_1,\ldots,y_n)$ a time series of n univariate observations $y_i\in\mathbb{R}$ observed at the time points $\mathbf{t}=(t_1,\ldots,t_n)$

Times series segmentation context

- Time series segmentation is a popular problem with a broad literature
- Common problem for different communities, including statistics, detection, signal processing, machine learning, finance
- Conventional solutions are subject to limitations in the control of the transitions between these states
- → Propose generative latent data modeling for segmentation and approximation
- lacksquare \hookrightarrow segmentation \equiv inferring the model parameters and the underling process

Regression with hidden logistic process

Let $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$ be a time series of n univariate observations $y_i \in \mathbb{R}$ observed at the time points $\mathbf{t} = (t_1, \dots, t_n)$ governed by K regimes.

The Regression model with Hidden Logistic Process (RHLP) [J-1]

$$y_i = \boldsymbol{\beta}_{z_i}^T \boldsymbol{x}_i + \sigma_{z_i} \epsilon_i \quad ; \quad \epsilon_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1), \quad (i = 1, \dots, n)$$

$$Z_i \sim \mathcal{M}(1, \pi_1(t_i; \mathbf{w}), \dots, \pi_K(t_i; \mathbf{w}))$$

Polynomial segments $\boldsymbol{\beta}_{z_i}^T \boldsymbol{x}_i$ with $\boldsymbol{x}_i = (1, t_i, \dots, t_i^p)^T$ with logistic probabilities

$$\pi_k(t_i; \mathbf{w}) = \mathbb{P}(Z_i = k | t_i; \mathbf{w}) = \frac{\exp(w_{k1}t_i + w_{k0})}{\sum_{\ell=1}^K \exp(w_{\ell1}t_i + w_{\ell0})}$$

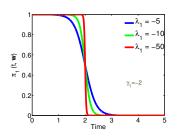
$$f(y_i|t_i;\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_k(t_i; \mathbf{w}) \mathcal{N}(y_i; \boldsymbol{\beta}_k^T \boldsymbol{x}_i, \sigma_k^2)$$

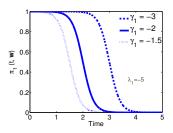
■ Both the mixing proportions and the component parameters are time-varying

Model properties

 Modeling with the logistic distribution allows activating simultaneously and preferentially several regimes during time

$$\pi_k(t_i; \mathbf{w}) = \frac{\exp(\lambda_k(t_i + \gamma_k))}{\sum_{\ell=1}^K \exp(\lambda_\ell(t_i + \gamma_\ell))}$$





- \Rightarrow The parameter w_{k1} controls the quality of transitions between regimes
- \Rightarrow The parameter w_{k0} is related to the transition time point
- Ensure time series segmentation into contiguous segments

EM-RHLP

E-Step: compute the posterior component memberships:

$$\tau_{ik}^{(q)} = \mathbb{P}(Z_i = k | y_i, t_i; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(q)}) = \frac{\pi_k(t_i; \mathbf{w}^{(q)}) \mathcal{N}(y_i; \boldsymbol{\beta}_k^{T(q)} \boldsymbol{x}_i, \sigma_k^{2(q)})}{\sum_{\ell=1}^K \pi_\ell(t_i; \mathbf{w}^{(q)}) \mathcal{N}(y_i; \boldsymbol{\beta}_\ell^{T(q)} \boldsymbol{x}_i, \sigma_\ell^{2(q)})} \cdot$$

■ M-Step: compute the parameter update $m{ heta}^{(q+1)} = rg \max_{} Q(m{ heta}, m{ heta}^{(q)})$

$$\mathbf{w}^{(q+1)} = \arg\max_{\mathbf{w}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{k=1}^{K} \tau_{ik}^{(q)} \log \pi_{k}(t_{i}; \mathbf{w}) \quad \text{weighted logistic regression}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\beta}_{k}^{(q+1)} = \left[\sum_{i=1}^{n} \tau_{ik}^{(q)} \boldsymbol{x}_{i} \boldsymbol{x}_{i}^{T} \right]^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \tau_{ik}^{(q)} y_{i} \boldsymbol{x}_{i} \quad \text{weighted polynomial regression}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{k}^{2(q+1)} = \frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \tau_{ik}^{(q)}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \tau_{ik}^{(q)} (y_{i} - \boldsymbol{\beta}_{k}^{T(q+1)} \boldsymbol{x}_{i})^{2}$$

EM-RHLP

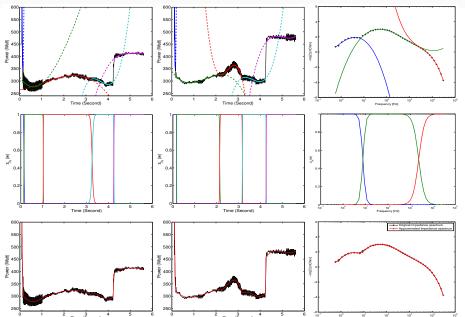
Parameter estimation via a the EM algorithm: EM-RHLP

- Parameter estimation via a the EM algorithm (EM-RHLP)
 - M-Step: includes a weighted logistic regression problem → IRLS (and weighted polynomial regressions)
- EM-RHLP algorithm complexity: $\mathcal{O}(I_{\mathsf{EM}}I_{\mathsf{IRLS}}K^3p^3n)$ (more advantageous than dynamic programming).

Time series approximation and segmentation

- **1** Approximation: a curve prototype $\hat{y}_i = \mathbb{E}[y_i|t_i;\hat{\theta}] = \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k(t_i;\hat{\mathbf{w}})\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_k^T \boldsymbol{x}_i$ \hookrightarrow The RHLP can be used as nonlinear regression model $y_i = f(t_i; \theta) + \epsilon_i$ by covering functions of the form $f(t_i; \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k(t_i; \mathbf{w}) \boldsymbol{\beta}_k^T \boldsymbol{x}_i$ [J-3]
- 2 Curve segmentation:
 - $\hat{z}_i = \arg\max_{1 \le k \le K} \mathbb{E}[z_i | t_i; \hat{\mathbf{w}}] = \arg\max_{1 \le k \le K} \pi_k(t_i; \hat{\mathbf{w}})$
 - Model selection: Application of BIC, ICL ($\nu_{\theta} = K(p+4) 2$.)

Application to real data



Joint segmentation of multivariate time series

Multiple hidden process regression

- Data: $(y_1, ..., y_n)$ a time series of n multidimensional observations $\mathbf{y}_i = (y_i^{(1)}, \dots, y_i^{(d)})^T \in \mathbb{R}^d$ observed at instants $\mathbf{t} = (t_1, \dots, t_n)$.
- Model

$$egin{array}{lll} y_i^{(1)} &=& oldsymbol{eta}_{z_i}^{(1)T} oldsymbol{x}_i + \sigma_{z_i}^{(1)} \epsilon_i \ &dots &dots \ y_i^{(d)} &=& oldsymbol{eta}_{z_i}^{(d)T} oldsymbol{x}_i + \sigma_{z_i}^{(d)} \epsilon_i \end{array}$$

Vectorial form:
$$\boldsymbol{y}_i = \mathbf{B}_{z_i}^T \boldsymbol{x}_i + \mathbf{e}_i$$
 ; $\mathbf{e}_i \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{z_i}), \quad (i = 1, \dots, n)$

■ The latent process $\mathbf{z} = (z_1, \dots, z)$ simultaneously governs the univariate time series components

PhD of Dorra Trabelsi 2010-2013^a

- ^aD. Trabelsi. Contribution à la reconnaissance non-intrusive d'activités humaines. Ph.D. thesis, Université Paris-Est Créteil, Laboratoire Images, Signaux et Systèmes Intelligents (LiSSi), June 2013
 - → Multiple regression with hidden logistic process: Multiple RHLP [J-6]
 - → Multiple Hidden Markov model regression (MHMMR) [J-7]

Multiple hidden Markov model regression

- MHMMR: Estimation by the EM algorithm (as for HMMs)
 - \hookrightarrow Solve multiple regression problems

Application to human activity time series

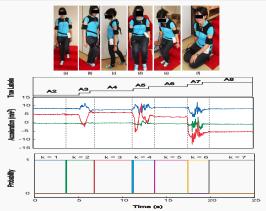


Figure: MHMMR Segmentation of acceleration data issued from three body-worn sensors (Data acquired at the LISSI Lab/University of Paris 12)

Multiple regression with hidden logistic process

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Problem: Activity recognition from multivariate acceleration time series

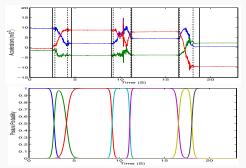


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Data with atypical features

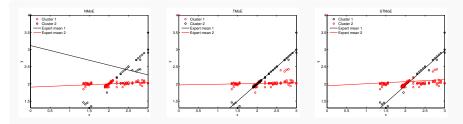


Figure: Fitting MoLE to the tone data set with ten outliers (0,4).

- Data with possible atypical observations
- Data with possibly asymmetric and heavy-tailed distributions

Objectives

- Derive robust models to fit at best the data
- Deal with other possible features like skewness, heavy tails

Mixture of Experts (MoE) modeling framework

- Observed pairs of data (x,y) where $y \in \mathbb{R}$ is the response for some covariate $x \in \mathbb{R}^p$ governed by a hidden categorical random variable Z
- Mixture of experts (MoE) (Jacobs et al., 1991; Jordan and Jacobs, 1994) :

$$f(y|\boldsymbol{x};\boldsymbol{\varPsi}) \quad = \quad \sum_{k=1}^{K} \underbrace{\pi_k(\boldsymbol{r};\boldsymbol{\alpha})}_{\text{Gating network}} \underbrace{\underbrace{f_k(y|\boldsymbol{x};\boldsymbol{\varPsi}_k)}_{\text{Experts}}}$$

- Gating function of some predictors $r \in \mathbb{R}^q$: $\pi_k(r; \alpha) = \frac{\exp{(\alpha_k^T r)}}{\sum_{\ell=1}^K \exp{(\alpha_\ell^T r)}}$
- MoE for regression usually use normal experts $f_k(y|x; \Psi_k)$

Objectives

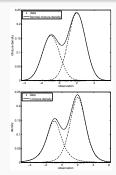
- Overcome (well-known) limitations of modeling with the normal distribution.
 - → Not adapted For a set of data containing a group or groups of observations with asymmetric behavior, heavy tails or atypical observations

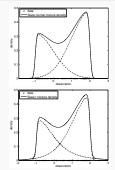
Non-normal mixtures of experts

Non-normal mixtures of experts (NNMoE)

- 1 the skew-normal MoE (SNMoE) (skewness) [J-14]
- **2** the t MoE (TMoE) (Robustness, heavy tails) [J-11]
- 3 the skew-t MoE (STMoE) (skewness, robustness, heavy tails) [J-15]

Non-normal mixtures





$$\pi_k = [0.4, 0.6], \mu_k = [-1, 2]; \sigma_k = [1, 1]; \nu_k = [3, 7]; \lambda_k = [14, -12];$$

The skew t mixture of experts (STMoE) model

■ A *K*-component mixture of skew *t* experts (STMoE) is defined by:

$$f(y|\boldsymbol{r},\boldsymbol{x};\boldsymbol{\Psi}) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_k(\boldsymbol{r};\boldsymbol{\alpha}) \operatorname{ST}(y;\mu(\boldsymbol{x};\boldsymbol{\beta}_k),\sigma_k^2,\boldsymbol{\lambda}_k,\nu_k)$$

kth expert: has skew t distribution (Azzalini and Capitanio, 2003):

$$f(y|\boldsymbol{x}; \mu(\boldsymbol{x}; \boldsymbol{\beta}_k), \sigma^2, \lambda, \nu) = \frac{2}{\sigma} t_{\nu}(d_y(\boldsymbol{x})) T_{\nu+1} \left(\lambda d_y(\boldsymbol{x}) \sqrt{\frac{\nu+1}{\nu+d_y^2(\boldsymbol{x})}} \right)$$

Model characteristics

- \hookrightarrow For $\{\nu_k\} \to \infty$, the STMoE reduces to the SNMoE
- \hookrightarrow For $\{\lambda_k\} \to 0$, the STMoE reduces to the TMoE.
- \hookrightarrow For $\{\nu_k\} \to \infty$ and $\{\lambda_k\} \to 0$, it approaches the NMoE.
- \hookrightarrow The STMoE is flexible as it generalizes the previously described models to accommodate situations with asymmetry, heavy tails, and outliers.

Parameter estimation via the ECM algorithm

1 E-Step: requires the following conditional expectations:

$$\begin{array}{lcl} \boldsymbol{\tau}_{ik}^{(m)} & = & \mathbb{E}_{\boldsymbol{\varPsi}^{(m)}} \left[Z_{ik} | y_i, \boldsymbol{x}_i, \boldsymbol{r}_i \right], \\ w_{ik}^{(m)} & = & \mathbb{E}_{\boldsymbol{\varPsi}^{(m)}} \left[W_i | y_i, Z_{ik} = 1, \boldsymbol{x}_i, \boldsymbol{r}_i \right], \\ e_{1,ik}^{(m)} & = & \mathbb{E}_{\boldsymbol{\varPsi}^{(m)}} \left[W_i U_i | y_i, Z_{ik} = 1, \boldsymbol{x}_i, \boldsymbol{r}_i \right], \\ e_{2,ik}^{(m)} & = & \mathbb{E}_{\boldsymbol{\varPsi}^{(m)}} \left[W_i U_i^2 | y_i, Z_{ik} = 1, \boldsymbol{x}_i, \boldsymbol{r}_i \right], \\ e_{3,ik}^{(m)} & = & \mathbb{E}_{\boldsymbol{\varPsi}^{(m)}} \left[\log(W_i) | y_i, Z_{ik} = 1, \boldsymbol{x}_i, \boldsymbol{r}_i \right]. \end{array}$$

- \hookrightarrow Calculated analytically except $e_{3ik}^{(m)} \hookrightarrow \mathsf{I}$ adopted a one-step-late (OSL) approach as in Lee and McLachlan (2014)
- → Note that Lee and McLachlan (2015) presented an exact series-based truncation approach for the multivariate skew t mixture models
- 2 CM-Steps: Include weighted logistic regressions and linear regressions
 - \hookrightarrow Predicted response: $\hat{y} = \mathbb{E}_{\hat{x}}(Y|\boldsymbol{r},\boldsymbol{x})$ with

$$\mathbb{E}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\psi}}}(Y|\boldsymbol{r},\boldsymbol{x}) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_k(\boldsymbol{r}; \hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}_n) \mathbb{E}_{\hat{\boldsymbol{\psi}}}(Y|Z=k,\boldsymbol{x})$$

- \hookrightarrow Predicted class: $\hat{z} = \arg\max_{k=1}^K \mathbb{E}[Z|\boldsymbol{r},\boldsymbol{x};\hat{\boldsymbol{\Psi}}]$
- \hookrightarrow Model selection: Choose (K, p) using BIC or ICL

Tone perception data set

- Recently studied by Bai et al. (2012) and Song et al. (2014) by using, respectively, robust t regression mixture and Laplace regression mixture
- Data consist of n = 150 pairs of "tuned" variables, considered here as predictors (x), and their corresponding "strech ratio" variables considered as responses (y).

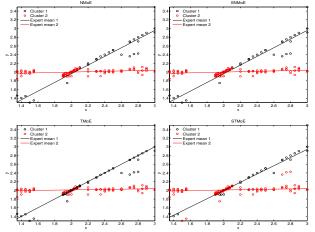


Figure: Fitting the MoE models to the tone data set

Robustness of the NNMoE

Experimental protocol as in Nguyen and McLachlan (2016)

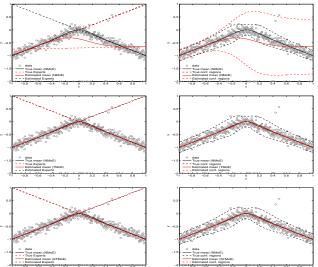


Figure: Fitted MoE to n=500 observations generated according to the NMoE with 5% of outliers (x; y = -2): NMoE fit (top), TMoE fit (middle), STMoE fit (bottom).

Tone perception data set (noisy case)

 \blacksquare Consider the same scenario used in Bai et al. (2012) and Song et al. (2014) (the last and more difficult scenario) by adding 10 identical pairs (0,4)

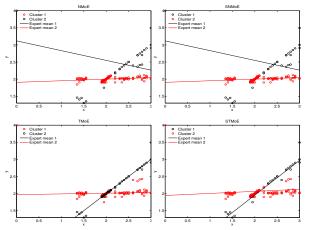
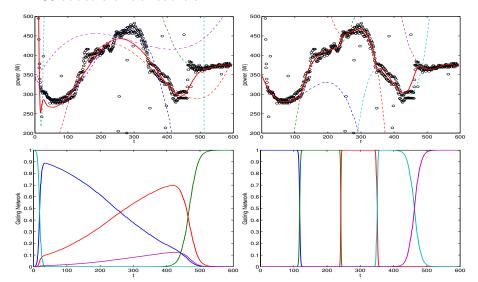


Figure: Fitting MoLE to the tone data set with ten added outliers (0,4).

 \hookrightarrow In this noisy case the *t* mixture of regressions fails (is affected severely by the outliers) as showed in Song et al. (2014)

Temporal railway data segmentation

- \blacksquare n=562 temporal data
- 30 added artificial outliers

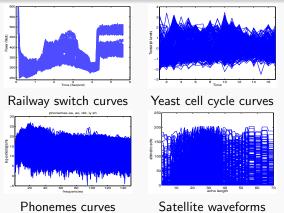


Outline

- Mixture models for functional data analysis
 - Mixture of piecewise regressions
 - Mixture of hidden Markov model regressions
 - Mixture of hidden logistic process regressions
 - Functional discriminant analysis
 - Regularized regression mixtures for functional data

Functional data analysis context

Many curves to analyze



Objectives

- Curve clustering/classification (functional data analysis framework)
- Deal with the problem of regime changes \hookrightarrow Curve segmentation

Functional data analysis context

Data

- The individuals are entire functions (e.g., curves, surfaces)
- \blacksquare A set of n univariate curves $((\boldsymbol{x}_1, \boldsymbol{y}_1), \dots, (\boldsymbol{x}_n, \boldsymbol{y}_n))$
- (x_i, y_i) consists of m_i observations $y_i = (y_{i1}, \dots, y_{im_i})$ observed at the independent covariates, (e.g., time t in time series), $(x_{i1}, \ldots, x_{im_i})$

Objectives: exploratory or decisional

- 1 Unsupervised classification (clustering, segmentation) of functional data, particularly curves with regime changes: [J-4] [J-9], [C-11] [J-16]
- 2 Discriminant analysis of functional data: [J-2], [J-5]

Functional data clustering/classification tools

- A broad literature (Kmeans-type, Model-based, etc)
 - ⇒ Mixture-model based cluster and discriminant analyzes

Mixture modeling framework for functional data

The functional mixture model:

$$f(\boldsymbol{y}|\boldsymbol{x};\boldsymbol{\Psi}) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \alpha_k f_k(\boldsymbol{y}|\boldsymbol{x};\boldsymbol{\Psi}_k)$$

- $f_k(y|x)$ are tailored to functional data: can be polynomial (B-)spline regression, regression using wavelet bases etc, or Gaussian process regression, functional PCA
 - → more tailored to approximate smooth functions
 - \hookrightarrow do not account for the segmentation

Here $f_k(y|x)$ itself exhibits a clustering property due to regimes:

- 1 Riecewise regression model (PWR)
- 2 Regression model with a hidden Markov process (HMMR)
- 3 Regression model with hidden logistic process (RHLP)

Piecewise regression mixture model (PWRM) [J-9]

A probabilistic version of the K-means-like approach of (Hébrail et al., 2010)

$$f(\boldsymbol{y}_i|\boldsymbol{x}_i;\boldsymbol{\varPsi}) = \sum_{k=1}^K \alpha_k \prod_{r=1}^{R_k} \prod_{j \in I_{kr}} \mathcal{N}(y_{ij};\boldsymbol{\beta}_{kr}^T \boldsymbol{x}_{ij}, \sigma_{kr}^2)$$

 $I_{kr} = (\xi_{kr}, \xi_{k,r+1}]$ are the element indexes of segment r for component k

■ Simultaneously accounts for curve clustering and segmentation

Parameter estimation

- Maximum likelihood estimation: EM-PWRM
- Maximum classification likelihood estimation: CEM-PWRM
 - \hookrightarrow a generalization of the K-means-like algorithm of Hébrail et al. (2010):

M-step: includes wighted piecewise regression problems \hookrightarrow dynamic programming

Complexity in $\mathcal{O}(I_{\mathsf{FM}}KRnm^2p^3)$: Significant computational load for very large m

Application to switch operation curves

Data set: n = 146 real curves of m = 511 observations.

Each curve is composed of R=6 electromechanical phases (regimes)

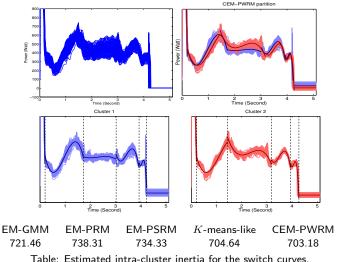
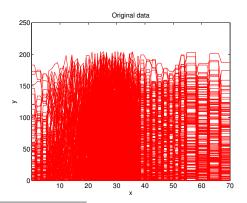


Table: Estimated intra-cluster inertia for the switch curves

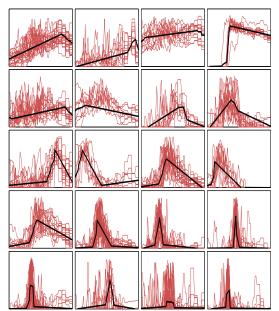
Application to Topex/Poseidon satellite data

The Topex/Poseidon radar satellite data contains n=472 waveforms of the measured echoes, sampled at m = 70 (number of echoes) We considered the same number of clusters (twenty) and a piecewise linear approximation of four segments per cluster as in Hébrail et al. (2010).



¹Satellite data are available at http://www.lsp.ups-tlse.fr/staph/npfda/npfda-datasets.html.

CEM-PWRM clustering of the satellite data



Mixture of hidden logistic process regressions [J-4]

■ The mixture of regressions with hidden logistic processes (MixRHLP):

$$f(\boldsymbol{y}_i|\boldsymbol{x}_i;\boldsymbol{\varPsi}) = \sum_{k=1}^K \alpha_k \underbrace{\prod_{j=1}^{m_i} \sum_{r=1}^{R_k} \pi_{kr}(\boldsymbol{x}_j; \mathbf{w}_k) \mathcal{N}\big(y_{ij}; \boldsymbol{\beta}_{kr}^T \boldsymbol{x}_j, \sigma_{kr}^2\big)}_{\text{RHLP}}$$

$$\pi_{kr}(x_j; \mathbf{w}_k) = \mathbb{P}(H_{ij} = r | Z_i = k, x_j; \mathbf{w}_k) = \frac{\exp(w_{kr0} + w_{kr1}x_j)}{\sum_{r'=1}^{R_k} \exp(w_{kr'0} + w_{kr'1}x_j)},$$

- Two types of component memberships:
 - \hookrightarrow cluster memberships (global) $Z_{ik} = 1$ iff $Z_i = k$
 - \hookrightarrow regime memberships for a given cluster (local): $H_{ijr}=1$ iff $H_{ij}=r$ MixRHLP deals better with the quality of regime changes
- Parameter estimation via the EM algorithm: EM-MixRHLP
- EM-MixRHLP has complexity in $\mathcal{O}(I_{\text{EM}}I_{\text{IRLS}}KR^3nmp^3)$ (K-means type for piecewise regression is in $\mathcal{O}(I_{\mathsf{KM}}KRnm^2p^3) \hookrightarrow \mathsf{EM}\text{-}\mathsf{Mix}\mathsf{RHLP}$ is computationally attractive for large values of m and moderate values of R.

Functional discriminant analysis

Supervised classification context

- Data: a training set of labeled functions $((x_1, y_1, c_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n, c_n))$ where $c_i \in \{1, \dots, G\}$ is the class label of the *i*th curve
- Problem: predict the class label c_i for a new unlabeled function (x_i, y_i)

Tool: Discriminant analysis

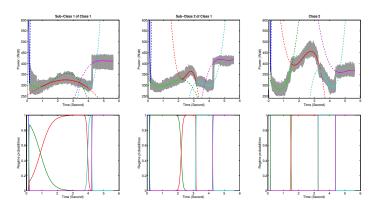
Use the Bayes' allocation rule

$$\hat{c}_i = \arg \max_{1 \le g \le G} \frac{\mathbb{P}(C_i = g) f(\boldsymbol{y}_i | \boldsymbol{x}_i; \boldsymbol{\varPsi}_g)}{\sum_{g'=1}^{G} \mathbb{P}(C_i = g') f(\boldsymbol{y}_i | \boldsymbol{x}_i; \boldsymbol{\varPsi}_{g'})},$$

based on a generative model $f(\boldsymbol{y}_i|\boldsymbol{x}_i;\boldsymbol{\Psi}_q)$ for each group g

- Homogeneous classes: Functional Linear Discriminant Analysis [J-2]
- Dispersed classes: Functional Mixture Discriminant Analysis [J-5]

Applications to switch curves



Approach	Classification error rate (%)	Intra-class inertia
FLDA-PR	11.5	10.7350×10^9
FLDA-SR	9.53	9.4503×10^{9}
FLDA-RHLP	8.62	8.7633×10^{9}
FMDA-PRM	9.02	7.9450×10^9
FMDA-SRM	8.50	5.8312×10^{9}
FMDA-MixRHLP	6.25	$\boldsymbol{3.2012\times10^9}$

Regularized regression mixtures

The finite Gaussian regression mixture model

$$f(\boldsymbol{y}_i|\boldsymbol{x}_i;\boldsymbol{ heta}) = \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k \; \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{y}_i; \mathbf{X}_i \boldsymbol{eta}_k, \sigma_k^2 \mathbf{I}_{m_i})$$

- The parameter θ is usually estimated by ML: $\log L(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log f(y_i|x_i;\theta)$
- the EM algorithm is the usual tool

 - \hookrightarrow requires the number of components K to be supplied by the user (or BIC, ICL etc)

Idea of the proposed approach [J-8]

- ← EM-like algorithm which is robust with regard initialization and infers the number of components from the data

Regularized regression mixtures [J-8]

Penalized log-likelihood criterion:

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{J}(\lambda, \boldsymbol{\Psi}) &= \log L(\boldsymbol{\Psi}) - \lambda \boldsymbol{H}(\mathbf{z}), \quad \lambda \geq 0 \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{k} \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{y}_{i}; \mathbf{X}_{i} \boldsymbol{\beta}_{k}, \sigma_{k}^{2} \mathbf{I}_{m}) + \lambda n \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{k} \log \pi_{k} \end{split}$$

- $H(\mathbf{Z}) = -\mathbb{E}[\log \mathbb{P}(\mathbf{Z})]$: entropy accounting for model complexity
- $\lambda > 0$ is a smoothing parameter

EM-like algorithm for unsupervised learning [J-8]

initialization : $K^{(0)} = n$; $\pi_k^{(0)} = \frac{1}{K^{(0)}}$, $(\boldsymbol{\beta}_k^{(0)}, \sigma_k^{(0)})$: polynomial regression

- **1 E-step**: Posterior component memberships $\tau_{ik}^{(q)} = \mathbb{P}(Z_i = k | \boldsymbol{x}_i, \boldsymbol{y}_i; \widehat{\boldsymbol{\Psi}})$
- 2 M-step: $\pi_k^{(q+1)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \tau_{ik}^{(q)} + \lambda \pi_k^{(q)} \left(\log \pi_k^{(q)} \sum_{b=1}^K \pi_b^{(q)} \log \pi_b^{(q)} \right)$ $\boldsymbol{\beta}_{k}^{(q+1)} = \left[\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\tau_{ik}^{(q)} \mathbf{X}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{X}_{i}}{\tau_{ik}^{T} \mathbf{X}_{i}} \right]^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\tau_{ik}^{(q)} \mathbf{X}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{y}_{i}}{\tau_{ik}^{T} \mathbf{y}_{i}} \quad \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{k}^{2(q+1)} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\tau_{ik}^{(q)} \|\mathbf{y}_{i} - \mathbf{X}_{i} \boldsymbol{\beta}_{k}\|^{2}}{m \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\tau_{ik}^{(q)}}{\tau_{ik}^{T}}}$

The penalization coefficient λ is set in an adaptive way

Phonemes data

Phonemes data set used in Ferraty and Vieu (2003)² 1000 log-periodograms (200 per cluster)

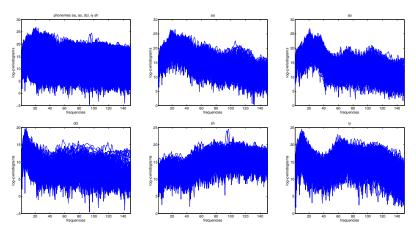
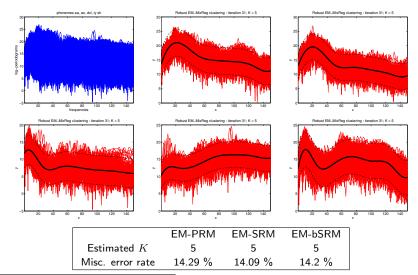


Figure: Original phoneme data and curves of the five classes: "ao", "aa", "yi", "dcl", "sh".

²Data from http://www.math.univ-toulouse.fr/staph/npfda/

EM-like clustering results for Phonemes

Phonemes data set used in Ferraty and Vieu (2003)³ 1000 log-periodograms (200 per cluster)



³ Data from http://www.math.univ=toulouse_fr/stanh/nnfda/FAICEL CHAMROUKHI Statistical learning of latent variable models for complex data analysis

Yeast cell cycle data

- Time course Gene expression data as in Yeung et al. (2001) ⁴
- 384 genes expression levels over 17 time points.

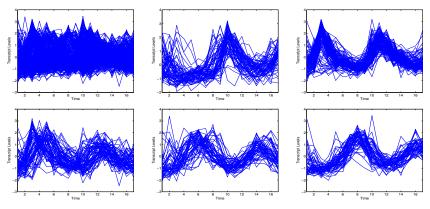


Figure: The five "actual" clusters of the used yeast cell cycle data according to Yeung et al. (2001).

⁴ http://faculty.washington.edu/kayee/model/

EM-like clustering results for yeast cell cycle data

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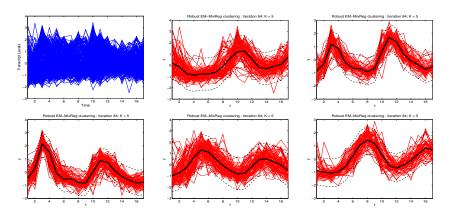


Figure: EM-like clustering results with the bSRM model.

Rand index: 0.7914 which indicates that the partition is guite well defined.

Outline

- Bayesian (non-)parametric mixtures for spatial and multivariate data
 - Bayesian spatial spline regression with mixed-effects
 - Bayesian mixture of spatial spline regressions with mixed-effects
 - Dirichlet Process Parsimonious Mixtures for multivariate data clustering
 - Application to whale song decomposition

Bayesian spatial spline regression with mixed-effects

- lacksquare Data: $((m{x}_1, m{y}_1), \dots, (m{x}_n, m{y}_n))$ a sample of n surfaces $m{y}_i = (y_{i1}, \dots, y_{im_i})^T$ and their spatial coordinates $x_i = ((x_{i11}, x_{i12}), \dots, (x_{im_i1}, x_{im_i2}))^T$.
- Propose regression and regression mixtures, with three additional features:
- Include random effects
- 2 Models for spatial functional data
- 3 A full Bayesian inference

Bayesian spatial spline regression with mixed-effects [Esann 2016, J-13]

$$\mathbf{y}_i = \mathbf{S}_i(\boldsymbol{\beta} + \mathbf{b}_i) + \mathbf{e}_i, \ \mathbf{e}_i \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_{m_i}), \ (i = 1, \dots, n)$$

- \blacksquare β : fixed-effects regression coefficients
- \mathbf{b}_i : random subject-specific regression coefficients $\mathbf{b}_i \perp \mathbf{e}_i \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \xi^2 \mathbf{I}_{mz})$
- lacksquare \mathbf{S}_i is a spatial design matrix.

- **S**_i constructed from the Nodal basis functions (NBF) (Malfait and Ramsay, 2003) used in (Ramsay et al., 2011; Sangalli et al., 2013; Nguyen et al., 2014)
- NBFs extend the univariate B-spline bases to bivariate surfaces.

$$\mathbf{S}_i = \begin{pmatrix} s(\boldsymbol{x}_1; \mathbf{c}_1) & s(\boldsymbol{x}_1; \mathbf{c}_2) & \cdots & s(\boldsymbol{x}_1; \mathbf{c}_d) \\ s(\boldsymbol{x}_2; \mathbf{c}_1) & s(\boldsymbol{x}_2; \mathbf{c}_2) & \cdots & s(\boldsymbol{x}_2; \mathbf{c}_d) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ s(\boldsymbol{x}_{m_i}; \mathbf{c}_1) & s(\boldsymbol{x}_{m_i}; \mathbf{c}_2) & \cdots & s(\boldsymbol{x}_{m_i}; \mathbf{c}_d) \end{pmatrix}$$

d: number of basis functions d

 $m{x}_{ij}=(x_{ij1},x_{ij2})$ the two spatial coordinates of y_{ij} $\mathbf{c}=(c_1,c_2)$ is a node center parameter, with v/h shape parameters δ_1 and δ_1

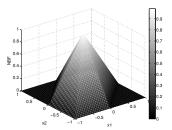


Figure: Nodal basis function $s(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{c}, \delta_1, \delta_2)$, where $\mathbf{c} = (0, 0)$ and $\delta_1 = \delta_2 = 1$.

Bayesian spatial spline regression with mixed-effects

Under the BSRR model, he density of the observation y_i is given by

$$f(\boldsymbol{y}_i|\mathbf{S}_i;\boldsymbol{\varPsi}) = \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{y}_i;\mathbf{S}_i\boldsymbol{\beta},\boldsymbol{\xi}^2\mathbf{S}_i\mathbf{S}_i^T + \sigma^2\mathbf{I}_{m_i}).$$

Conjugate prior distributions

$$\begin{array}{cccc} \boldsymbol{\beta} & \sim & \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_0, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_0) \\ \mathbf{b}_i | \boldsymbol{\xi}^2 & \sim & \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}_d, \boldsymbol{\xi}^2 \mathbf{I}_d) \\ \boldsymbol{\xi}^2 & \sim & \mathcal{I} \mathcal{G}(a_0, b_0) \\ \sigma^2 & \sim & \mathcal{I} \mathcal{G}(g_0, h_0) \end{array}$$

Bayesian inference using Gibbs sampling

Sample from the full conditional posterior distributions (analytic)

$$\begin{array}{lcl} \boldsymbol{\beta}|... & \sim & \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\nu}_0, \mathbf{V}_0) \\ \mathbf{b}_i|... & \sim & \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\nu}_1, \mathbf{V}_1) \\ \sigma^2|... & \sim & \mathcal{I}\mathcal{G}(g_1, h_1) \\ \boldsymbol{\xi}^2|... & \sim & \mathcal{I}\mathcal{G}\left(a_1, b_1\right) \end{array}$$

Illustration on simulated surfaces' approximation

A sample of 100 simulated noisy surfaces from $\mu(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\sin(\sqrt{1+x_1^2+x_2^2})}{\sqrt{1+x_1^2+x_2^2}}$ The simulated data include mixed effects.

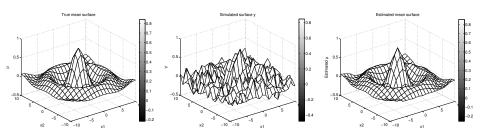


Figure: True mean surface (left), an example of noisy surface (middle), A BSSR fit $\hat{\mu}(x) = \mathbf{S}_i \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ from 100 surfaces using 15×15 NBFs (right).

Empirical sum of squared error: $SSE = \sum_{i=1}^{m} (\mu_i(\mathbf{x}) - \hat{\mu}_i(\mathbf{x}))^2$ (m = 441 here): 0.0865 (a very reasonable fit)

Bayesian mixture of spatial spline regressions

Data: A sample of n surfaces (y_1, \ldots, y_n) and their spatial covariates (S_1, \ldots, S_n) issued from K sub-populations

 Bayesian mixture of spatial spline regression models with mixed-effects (BMSSR):

$$f(\boldsymbol{y}_i|\mathbf{S}_i;\boldsymbol{\Psi}) = \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k \; \mathcal{N}\left(\boldsymbol{y}_i; \mathbf{S}_i(\boldsymbol{\beta}_k + \mathbf{b}_{ik}), \sigma_k^2 \mathbf{I}_{m_i}\right)$$

heterogeneous surfaces

Hierarchical prior from for the BMSSR

$$\begin{array}{lll} \boldsymbol{\pi} & \sim & \mathcal{D}(\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_K) \\ \boldsymbol{\beta}_k & \sim & \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu_0}, \Sigma_0) \\ \mathbf{b}_{ik} | \boldsymbol{\xi}_k^2 & \sim & \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}_d, \boldsymbol{\xi}_k^2 \mathbf{I}_d) \\ \boldsymbol{\xi}_k^2 & \sim & \mathcal{I}\mathcal{G}(a_0, b_0) \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma}_k^2 & \sim & \mathcal{I}\mathcal{G}(g_0, h_0). \end{array}$$

Bayesian inference of the BMSSR

lacksquare For the BMSSR, the parameter Ψ is augmented by the unknown components labels $\mathbf{z} = (z_1, \dots, z_n)$

Bayesian inference of the BMSSR using Gibbs sampling

Sample from the analytic full conditional distributions:

$$\begin{split} &Z_i|... \sim \mathcal{M}(1;\tau_{i1},\ldots,\tau_{iK}) \text{ with } \tau_{ik}(1 \leq k \leq K) = \mathbb{P}(Z_i = k|\boldsymbol{y}_i, \mathbf{S}_i; \boldsymbol{\Psi}) \\ &\boldsymbol{\pi}|... \sim \mathcal{D}\left(\alpha_1 + n_1,\ldots,\alpha_K + n_K\right) \\ &\boldsymbol{\beta}_k|... \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\nu}_0, \mathbf{V}_0) \\ &\mathbf{b}_{ik}|... \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\nu}_1, \mathbf{V}_1) \\ &\sigma_k^2|... \sim \mathcal{I}\mathcal{G}(g_1, h_1) \\ &\boldsymbol{\xi}_k^2|... \sim \mathcal{I}\mathcal{G}\left(a_1, b_1\right) \end{split}$$

relabel the obtained posterior parameter samples if label switching by the K-means-like algorithm of (Celeux, 1999; Celeux et al., 2000).

Handwritten digit clustering using the BMSSR

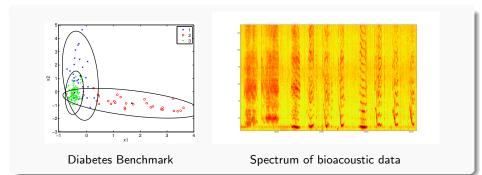
- BMSSR applied on a subset of the ZIPcode data set (issued from MNIST)
- Each individual y_i contains $m_i = 256$ observations A subset of 1000 digits randomly chosen from the test set



Figure: Cluster mean images obtained by the BMSSR model with 12 mixture components.

The best solution is selected in terms of the Adjusted Rand Index (ARI) values, which promotes a partition with K=12 clusters (ARI: 0.5238).

Multivariate data



Objectives

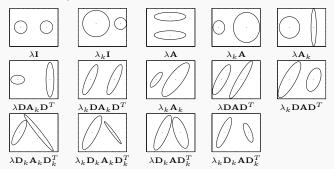
- Clustering
- Dimensionality reduction

Model-Based clustering of multidimensional data

- Data: $(x_1, ..., x_n)$ A sample of n i.i.d observations in \mathbb{R}^d from K sub-populations, with K possibly unknown
- Objective: clustering and dimensionality reduction

Parsimonious mixtures

- Finite Gaussian mixtures: $f(\boldsymbol{x}_i; \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k \; \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{x}_i; \boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k)$
- Eigenvalue decomposition of the covariance matrix $\mathbf{\Sigma}_k = \lambda_k \mathbf{D}_k \mathbf{A}_k \mathbf{D}_k^T$



^aCeleux and Govaert (1995); Banfield and Raftery (1993)

Dirichlet Process Parsimonious Mixtures

 Bayesian parametric inference: (Bensmail, 1995; Bensmail and Celeux, 1996; Bensmail et al., 1997; Bensmail and Meulman, 2003)

PhD thesis of Marius Bartcus, 2012- Oct.2015^a

- ^aM. Bartcus. *Bayesian non-parametric parsimonious mixtures for model-based clustering.* Ph.D. thesis, Université de Toulon, Laboratoire des Sciences de l'Information et des Systèmes (LSIS), October 2015
 - Mixture models for multivariate data in a fully Bayesian framework
 - Dirichlet Process and Parsimonious Mixtures [C-5,6,8], [J-11]

Dirichlet Processes (DP)

 $\mathsf{DP}(\alpha, G_0)$ (Ferguson, 1973) is a distribution over distributions:

$$\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_i | G \sim G \; ; \quad G | \alpha, G_0 \sim \mathsf{DP}(\alpha, G_0) \; , i = 1, 2, \dots$$

Pólya urn representation (Blackwell and MacQueen, 1973)

$$\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{i}|\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{1},...\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{i-1} \sim \frac{\alpha}{\alpha+i-1}G_{0} + \sum_{k=1}^{K_{i-1}} \frac{n_{k}}{\alpha+i-1}\delta_{\boldsymbol{\theta}_{k}}$$

DP places its probability mass on an infinite mixture of Dirac deltas

$$G = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \pi_k \delta_{\theta_k}$$
 $\theta_k | G_0 \sim G_0, \ k = 1, 2, ..., \text{ with } \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \pi_k = 1$

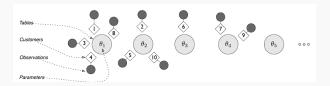
DPM: Generative model

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G | \alpha, G_0 & \sim & \mathsf{DP}(\alpha, G_0) \\ & \tilde{\pmb{\theta}}_i | G & \sim & G \\ & \pmb{x}_i | \tilde{\pmb{\theta}}_i & \sim & f(.|\tilde{\pmb{\theta}}_i) \end{array}$$

Chinese Restaurant Process mixtures (Pitman, 2002; Samuel and Blei, 2012)

- Latent variables (z_1, \ldots, z_n)
- Predictive distribution:

$$p(z_i = k | z_1, ..., z_{i-1}; \alpha) = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + i - 1} \delta(z_i, K_{i-1} + 1) + \sum_{k=1}^{K_{i-1}} \frac{n_k}{\alpha + i - 1} \delta(z_i, k) \cdot$$



Generative model:

$$egin{array}{lll} z_i | lpha & \sim & \mathsf{CRP}(\mathbf{z}_{\setminus i}; lpha) \ oldsymbol{ heta}_{z_i} | G_0 & \sim & G_0 \ \mathbf{x}_i | oldsymbol{ heta}_{z_i} & \sim & f(.| oldsymbol{ heta}_{z_i}) \end{array}$$

Implemented parsimonious models

Decomposition	Model-Type	Prior	Applied to
λI	Spherical	IG	λ
λ_k I	Spherical	\mathcal{IG}	λ_k
$\lambda \mathbf{A}$	Diagonal	\mathcal{IG}	each diagonal element of $\lambda {f A}$
$\lambda_k \mathbf{A}$	Diagonal	\mathcal{IG}	each diagonal element of $\lambda_k \mathbf{A}$
$\lambda \mathbf{D} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{D}^T$	General	\mathcal{IW}	$\Sigma = \lambda DAD^T$
$\lambda_k \mathbf{D} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{D}^T$	General	$\mathcal{I}\mathcal{G}$ and $\mathcal{I}\mathcal{W}$	λ_k and $oldsymbol{\Sigma} = \mathbf{D}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{D}^T$
$\lambda \mathbf{D} \mathbf{A}_k \mathbf{D}^T *$	General	\mathcal{IG}	each diagonal element of $\lambda \mathbf{A}_k$
$\lambda_k \mathbf{D} \mathbf{A}_k \mathbf{D}^T *$	General	\mathcal{IG}	each diagonal element of $\lambda_k \mathbf{A}_k$
$\lambda \mathbf{D}_k \mathbf{A} \mathbf{D}_k^T$	General	\mathcal{IG}	each diagonal element of $\lambda {f A}$
$\lambda_k \mathbf{D}_k \mathbf{A} \mathbf{D}_k^T$	General	\mathcal{IG}	each diagonal element of $\lambda_k \mathbf{A}$
$\lambda \mathbf{D}_k \mathbf{A}_k \mathbf{D}_k^T *$	General	$\mathcal{I}\mathcal{G}$ and $\mathcal{I}\mathcal{W}$	λ and $\mathbf{\Sigma}_k = \mathbf{D}_k \mathbf{A}_k \mathbf{D}_k^T$
$\lambda_k \mathbf{D}_k \mathbf{A}_k \mathbf{D}_k^T$	General	\mathcal{IW}	$\mathbf{\Sigma}_k = \lambda_k \mathbf{D}_k \mathbf{A}_k \mathbf{D}_k^T$

Bayesian inference using Gibbs sampling

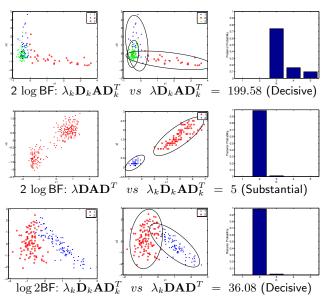
- Posterior distribution for the component labels: $p(z_i = k | \mathbf{z}_{-i}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{\Theta}, \alpha) \propto p(\mathbf{x}_i | z_i; \mathbf{\Theta}) p(z_i | \mathbf{z}_{-i}; \alpha)$ with $p(z_i | \mathbf{z}_{-i}; \alpha)$ the CRP prior
- Posterior distribution for the component parameters: $p(\theta_k|\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{\Theta}_{-k}, \alpha; H) \propto \prod_{i|z_i=k} p(\mathbf{x}_i|z_i=k; \theta_k) p(\theta_k; H)$ with $p(\theta_k; H)$: Prior distribution over θ_k

Bayesian model comparison by using Bayes Factors

 $BF_{12} = \frac{p(\mathbf{X}|M_1)p(M_1)}{p(\mathbf{X}|M_2)p(M_2)} \approx \frac{p(\mathbf{X}|M_1)}{p(\mathbf{X}|M_2)}$ with the Laplace-Metropolis approximation $p(\mathbf{X}|M_m) = \int p(\mathbf{X}|\boldsymbol{\theta}_m, M_m) p(\boldsymbol{\theta}_m|M_m) d\boldsymbol{\theta}_m \approx (2\pi)^{\frac{\nu_m}{2}} |\hat{\mathbf{H}}|^{\frac{1}{2}} p(\mathbf{X}|\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_m, M_m) p(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_m|M_m)$

Clustering of benchmarks

Diabetes data set, Geyser data set, Crabs data set



Humpback whale song decomposition

- Real fully unsupervised problem
- Data: 8.6 minutes of a Humpback whale song recording (with MFCC)



Figure: Humpback Whale.

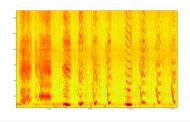
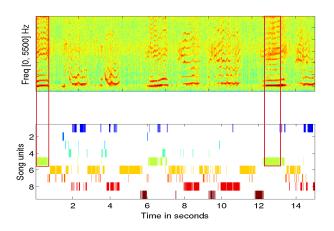


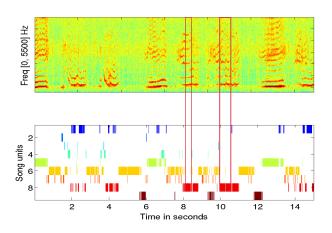
Figure: Spectrum of a signal (20 s).

Objectives

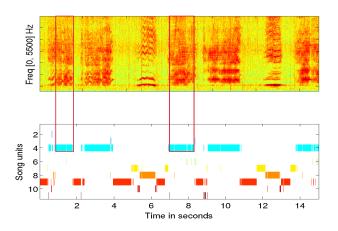
- Discovering "call units", which can be considered as a whale "alphabet"
- Find a partition of the whale song into clusters (segments), and automatically infer the unknown number of clusters from the data.



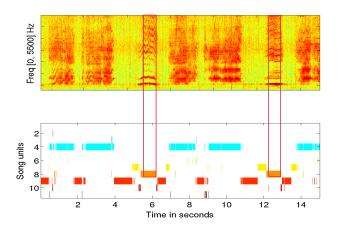
■ Sound demo of Unit 5 DPPM λ **I**: (sec. 0) (sec. 12)



■ Sound demo of Unit 8 DPPM λ I: (sec. 8) (sec. 10)



■ Sound demo of Unit 4 DPPM $\lambda_k \mathbf{A}$: (sec. 1) (sec. 7)



■ Sound demo of Unit 8 DPPM $\lambda_k \mathbf{A}$: (sec. 6) (sec. 12)

Ongoing research and perspectives

- Advanced mixtures for complex data (My ongoing CNRS leave project)
- Model-based co-clustering for high-dimensional functional data

Functional latent block model (FLBM) available soon on arXiv

Data: $Y = (y_{ij})$: n individuals defined on a set \mathcal{I} with d continuous functional variables defined on a set \mathcal{J} where $y_{ij}(t) = \mu(x_{ij}(t); \boldsymbol{\beta}) + \epsilon(t)$, t defined on \mathcal{T} . FLDM model:

$$\begin{split} f(\boldsymbol{Y}|\boldsymbol{X};\boldsymbol{\varPsi}) &= \sum_{(z,w)\in\mathcal{Z}\times\mathcal{W}} \mathbb{P}(\boldsymbol{\mathbf{Z}},\boldsymbol{\mathbf{W}}) f(\boldsymbol{Y}|\boldsymbol{X},\boldsymbol{\mathbf{Z}},\boldsymbol{\mathbf{W}};\boldsymbol{\theta}) \\ &= \sum_{(z,w)\in\mathcal{Z}\times\mathcal{W}} \prod_{i,k} \pi_k^{z_{ik}} \prod_{j,\ell} \rho_\ell^{w_{j\ell}} \prod_{i,j,k,\ell} f(\boldsymbol{y}_{ij}|\boldsymbol{x}_{ij};\boldsymbol{\theta}_{k\ell})^{z_{ik}w_{j\ell}}. \end{split}$$

An RHLP is used as a conditional block distribution $f(y_{ij}|x_{ij};\theta_{k\ell})$ Model inference using Stochastic EM

(Other things: Two ongoing PhD (co-direction with M. Quafafou) on Multilabel learning (funding: Indonesia) and on spatio-temporal analysis of tweets (funding: Algeria))

Perspectives

Variational Learning of Dirichlet Process Parsimonious Mixtures

[Ongoing M2 Internship + expected PACA-PME PhD grant (with H. Glotin)]

- Dirichlet Process parsimonious mixtures (DPPM) and Variational Bayesian learning for DPM (Blei and Jordan, 2006)
- DPPM Clustering for signal decomposition, and hierarchical DPPM for source separation (Moulines et al., 1997; Attias, 1999; Hyvärinen et al., 2001)

http://chamroukhi.univ-tln.fr//phd-training-positions/FChamroukhi-M2Internship-Variational-DPPM.pdf

Hierarchical mixture of experts for data representation and classification [PhD grant (Vietnam) 2016-2019]

- Mixture of experts are universal approximators (Nguyen et al., 2016).
 - →Consider MoE to construct Fisher vectors (Sanchez et al., 2013)
 - →Consider non-normal (skewed, heavy-tailed) MoE.
- Latent variable models for unsupervised learning of feature hierarchies:
 - \rightarrow consider hierarchical (deep) MoE as in Eigen et al. (2014)
 - Patel et al. (2015) introduced a probabilistic theory to answer some questions on deep learning

Perspectives

Bayesian learning of sparse representations [Requested PhD grant (Mexico)]

- Consider the problem of learning sparse representations
- Predictive Sparse Decomposition (PSD) (Kavukcuoglu et al., 2008; Kavukcuoglu, 2011) which jointly learns a dictionary and approximates the sparse representations by a predictive function (rather than computing exact sparse representations).
- Bayesian Predictive Sparse Decomposition (BPSD)
- Application to sounds and/or images representation for recognition.

http://chamroukhi.univ-tln.fr/FChamroukhi-PhD-Proposal-BPSD.pdf

Aggregation of mixtures for massive data

- ⇒ Density estimation and collaborative clustering of massive data
 - Consider that the global data distribution is a mixture distribution
 - Use ensemble methods to distribute the data
 - Bag of Little Boostraps (BLB) (Kleiner et al., 2014)
 - Aggregate local mixture estimators from BLB sub-samples: Hierarchical (mixture) of experts aggregation

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