

Computational Intelligence Lecture 19: Classification

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Outline

Hard c-Means How to choose the optimal partitions?

Fuzzy C-Means Fuzzy c-Means Algorithm



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- ▶ The data can be classified according to similar patterns, attributes, features, and other characteristics.
- Classification, also termed clustering.
- ▶ Why fuzzy clustering?
 - ▶ The regularities may not be precisely defined for clustering.
 - ▶ Using fuzzy models to formulated problem may be easier to solve computationally.
 - ► In fuzzy models the variables are continuous → their derivatives can be used to find the direction of search. But in crisp model they only can have 0/1 mem values.
- ▶ In this lecture we are introducing one of the most famous classification alg.: c-means clustering [1]



- ► Consider:
 - $X = \{x_1, x_2, ..., x_n\}$ set of data
 - c: # of clusters (1 < c < n)
 - ightharpoonup c = n classes ightharpoonup each data sample into its own class
 - ightharpoonup c = 1 places all data samples into the same class
 - ▶ Neither case requires any effort in classification
- ▶ A family of sets $\{A_i, i = 1, 2, ..., c\}$ is a hard c-partition of X if

 - $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset \ 1 \le i \ne j \le c$
 - ▶ $0 \subset A_i \subset X$

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- ▶ The first two conditions \leadsto each $x_k \in X$ should belong to one and only one cluster.
- ► The last condition → each cluster A_i must contain at least one and at most n-1 data points.
- $\blacktriangleright \mu_{ik}$ can be shown in a $U_{c\times n}$ matrix





- ▶ Example: Let $X = \{x_1 = orange, x_2 = apple, x_3 = cucumber\}$
- ► For c = 2, which of the following matrices can be hard c-partition matrix?

$$U_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, U_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, U_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, U_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

▶ Hard c-partition space for $X(M_c)$ is a set of all possible hard c-partition matrices U





How to choose the optimal partitions?

- ▶ For example, c = 10 and n = 25, there are roughly 10^{18} distinct 10-partitions!!
- ▶ There are three types of methods for finding optimal partitions:
 - 1. Hierarchical methods
 - merging and splitting to construct new clusters are based on some measure of similarity
 - ▶ The result is a hierarchy of nested clusters.
 - 2. Graph-theoretic methods
 - \triangleright x_i are considered as nodes which are connected to each other through edges
 - ► The criterion for clustering is typically some measure of connectivity
 - 3. Objective function methods
 - ▶ an objective function measuring the "desirability" of clustering candidates is established
 - local minima of the objective function are defined as optimal clusters.





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- ▶ How to find the optimal pair (U, V) for J_w ?
- ▶ c-means alg. (ISODATA alg.) can provide an optimal method
- ► The objective function is developed to achieve two goals simultaneously:
 - 1. Minimize the Euclidean distance between each data point in a cluster and its cluster center
 - 2. Maximize the Euclidean distance between cluster centers.



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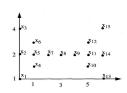
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Example

- \triangleright Suppose n=15, c=2
- $V^{(0)} =$
- ▶ The hard c-means algorithm stops at I = 3 with

- \triangleright : x_1 to x_7 are grouped into A_1
- \triangleright x_8 to x_{15} are grouped into A_2
- Although the fig is symmetric the clusters are unsymmetry
- x₈ cold not belong to both clusters
- ▶ A way to solve this problem is using the fuzzy c-means





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- In fuzzy c-means the mem. fcn (μ_{ik} should respect the following conditions
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- ► An example of possible *U* for n = 3, c = 2: $U = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 0.2 & 0.9 \\ 0.1 & 0.8 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix}$
- ▶ For c-means alg. we are looking $U = [\mu_{ik}] \in M_{fc}$ and $V = [v_1, ..., v_n]$ s.t.

$$J_m(U,V) = \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^c (\mu_{ik})^m ||x_k - v_i||^2$$
 is minimized. $(m \in (1,\infty))$

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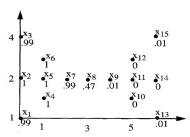




Example

▶ Consider previous example with $c = 2, m = 1.25, \epsilon = 0.01$

- ▶ The fuzzy c-means algorithm stops at l=5
- ▶ The data in the right and left wings are well classified, while the bridge x_8 belongs to both clusters to almost the same degree





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