# Unsupervised Learning 

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## Review

- Last time: Looked at Bayesian regression.
- Introduced priors and marginal likelihoods.
- This time: Dimensionality reduction.


## Outline

Clustering

## Latent Variable Models

## Clustering

- Divide data into discrete groups according to characteristics.
- For example different animal species.
- Different political parties.
- Determine the allocation to the groups and (harder) number of different groups.


## K-means Clustering <br> An Algorithm

- Require: Set of $K$ cluster centers \& assignment of each point to a cluster.
- Initialize cluster centers as data points.
- Assign each data point to nearest cluster center.
- Update each cluster center by setting it to the mean of assigned data points.


## Objective Function

- This minimizes the objective:

$$
\sum_{j=1}^{K} \sum_{i \text { allocated to } j}\left(\mathbf{y}_{i,:}-\mu_{j,:}\right)^{\top}\left(\mathbf{y}_{i,:}-\mu_{j,:}\right)
$$

- i.e. it minimizes the sum of Euclidean squared distances between points and their associated centers.
- The minimum is not guaranteed to be global or unique.
- This objective is a non-convex optimization problem.


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- Allocation doesn't change so stop.



## Other Clustering Approaches

- Spectral clustering (Shi and Malik, 2000; Ng et al., 2002).
- Allows clusters which aren't convex hulls.
- Dirichlet processes
- A probabilistic formulation for a clustering algorithm that is non-parameteric.


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## Low Dimensional Manifolds

## Pure Rotation is too Simple

- In practice the data may undergo several distortions.
- e.g. digits undergo 'thinning', translation and rotation.
- For data with 'structure':
- we expect fewer distortions than dimensions;
- we therefore expect the data to live on a lower dimensional manifold.
- Conclusion: deal with high dimensional data by looking for lower dimensional non-linear embedding.


## Principal Component Analysis

- How do we find these directions?
- Rotate to find directions in data with maximal variance.
- This is known as PCA (Hotelling, 1933).
- Rotate data to extract directions of maximum variance.
- Do this by diagonalizing the sample covariance matrix

$$
\mathbf{S}=n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n}\left(\mathbf{y}_{i}-\mu\right)\left(\mathbf{y}_{i}-\mu\right)^{\top}
$$

## Principal Component Analysis

- Find a direction in the data, $\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{R y}$, for which variance is maximized.


## Lagrangian

- Solution is found via constrained optimisation (which uses Lagrange multipliers):

$$
L\left(\mathbf{r}_{1}, \lambda_{1}\right)=\mathbf{r}_{1}^{\top} \mathbf{S r}_{1}+\lambda_{1}\left(1-\mathbf{r}_{1}^{\top} \mathbf{r}_{1}\right)
$$

- Gradient with respect to $\mathbf{r}_{1}$

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d} L\left(\mathbf{r}_{1}, \lambda_{1}\right)}{\mathrm{d} \mathbf{r}_{1}}=2 \mathbf{S r}_{1}-2 \lambda_{1} \mathbf{r}_{1}
$$

rearrange to form

$$
\mathbf{S r}_{1}=\lambda_{1} \mathbf{r}_{1}
$$

Which is known as an eigenvalue problem.

- Further directions can also be shown to be eigenvectors of the covariance.


## Linear Dimensionality Reduction

## Linear Latent Variable Model

- Represent data, $\mathbf{Y}$, with a lower dimensional set of latent variables $\mathbf{X}$.
- Assume a linear relationship of the form

$$
\mathbf{y}_{i,:}=\mathbf{W} \mathbf{x}_{i,:}+\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{i,:}
$$

where

$$
\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{i,:} \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^{2} \mathbf{I}\right)
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- Integrate out latent variables.

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\end{aligned}
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$$
p(\mathbf{Y} \mid \mathbf{W})=\prod_{i=1}^{n} \mathcal{N}\left(\mathbf{y}_{i,:}, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{W} \mathbf{W}^{\top}+\sigma^{2} \mathbf{I}\right)
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## Computation of the Marginal Likelihood

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\mathbf{W}=\mathbf{U}_{q} \mathbf{L R}^{\top}, \quad \mathbf{L}=\left(\boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{q}-\sigma^{2} \mathbf{I}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}
$$

where $\mathbf{R}$ is an arbitrary rotation matrix.

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- Chapter 7 of Rogers and Girolami up to pg 249.


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