Augmented quantization: a general approach to mixture models

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Quantizing rare random maps



Details in [5]

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Schematic method



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Work with the input space



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Sub-quantization

Perform a sub-quantization in every Voronoi cell to represent the inputs related to every prototype flooding



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Mixture models

Work with uniform distribution instead of diracs on the marginals



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Augmented representation: mixture models

The classical clustering approach provides ℓ diracs with associated weights

Objective: Provide more complex representation with prototypes being continuous distributions

Idea: We investigate an approximation \tilde{X}_{ℓ} of a sample $(x_i)_{i=1}^n$

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$$\tilde{X}_{\ell} = R^{(J)}$$

- J a discrete random variable $\in \{1, \ldots, \ell\}$ with weights denoted $(\omega_j)_{j=1}^\ell$
- $\forall j \in \{1, \ldots, \ell\}, R^{(j)} \in \mathcal{R}$ a given family of distributions

Classical approach I

We have a sample $(x_i)_{i=1}^n \in \mathcal{X}^n$ Principle: Find $\Gamma_{\ell} = (\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_{\ell}) \in \mathcal{X}^{\ell}$ minimizing [3]

$$\epsilon_{\rho}(\Gamma_{\ell}) = \left(\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n} \|x^{(i)} - \operatorname*{arg\,min}_{\gamma \in \Gamma_{\ell}} \|x^{(i)} - \gamma\|\|^{\rho}\right)^{\frac{1}{\rho}}$$

We have

$$\begin{split} \epsilon_{p} &= \left(\sum_{j=1}^{\ell} \frac{\operatorname{card}(C_{\Gamma_{\ell}}^{(j)})}{n} \frac{1}{\operatorname{card}(C_{\Gamma_{\ell}}^{(j)})} \sum_{x \in C_{\Gamma_{\ell}}^{(j)}} \|x - \gamma_{j}\|^{p}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &= \left(\sum_{j=1}^{\ell} \frac{\operatorname{card}(C_{\Gamma_{\ell}}^{(j)})}{n} \mathcal{W}_{p}(C_{\Gamma_{\ell}}^{(j)}, \delta_{\gamma_{j}})^{p}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \end{split}$$

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Algorithm Lloyd's algorithm

$$\begin{split} &\Gamma_{\ell} = \{\gamma^{(1)}, \ldots, \gamma^{(\ell)}\} \in \mathcal{X}^{\ell} \text{ , sample } (x^{i})_{i=1}^{n} \text{ and } X \text{ the associated r.v.} \\ &\text{while stopping criterion not met do} \\ &\text{Update clusters: } C_{\Gamma_{\ell}}^{(j)} = \{x^{i}, j = \underset{j' \in \{1, \ldots, \ell\}}{\arg\min} \|x^{i} - \gamma^{(j')}\|\}, j = 1, \ldots, \ell \\ &\text{Update centroids: } \gamma^{(j)} \leftarrow \mathbb{E} \left[X \mid X \in C_{\Gamma_{\ell}}^{(j)} \right], j = 1, \ldots, \ell \\ &\text{end while} \end{split}$$

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Algorithm Rewritten Lloyd's algorithm

 ${\it R} = \{{\it R}^{(1)}, \ldots, {\it R}^{(\ell)}\} \in \mathcal{X}^\ell$, sample $(x^i)_{i=1}^n$

while stopping criterion not met do

Update clusters: $(C^{(1)}, \ldots, C^{(\ell)}) \leftarrow FindClusters(R)$

Update representatives: $R^{(j)} \leftarrow FindRepresentative(C^{(j)}), j = 1, ..., \ell$ end while

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Adaptation

Objective: Adapt the method and find $R = (R^{(1)}, \ldots, R^{(\ell)}) \in \mathcal{R}$ and $C = (C^{(1)}, \ldots, C^{(\ell)})$ minimizing $\epsilon_p(R, C) = \left(\sum_{j=1}^{\ell} \frac{\operatorname{card}(C^{(j)})}{n} \mathcal{W}_p(C^{(j)}, R^{(j)})^p\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$ with \mathcal{R} a given family of distribution

What we need:

- FindClusters providing clusters from representatives
- FindRepresentative providing representatives from clusters

Problem: Only *FindClusters* and *FindRepresentative* are not sufficient to be exploratory enough in the case of continuous distribution

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Illustrative sample $(x_i)_{i=1}^n$

$$egin{aligned} & R_{ ext{true}}^{(1)} \sim \mathcal{U}_{[0,1]} ext{ and } R_{ ext{true}}^{(2)} \sim \mathcal{U}_{[0.3,0.6]} \ & P(J=1) = rac{1}{3} ext{ and } P(J=2) = rac{2}{3} \end{aligned}$$



Try to identify these two representatives, starting from $R^{(1)} \sim U_{[0,0.5]}$ and $R^{(2)} \sim U_{[0.5,1]}$

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Exploration problem



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Augmented quantization algorithm

To converge to the best R and C, a perturbation of the clusters must be added

Algorithm Augmented quantization algorithm

 $\hline \begin{array}{c} \hline & \textbf{Input: } R = \{R^{(1)}, \dots, R^{(\ell)}\} \in \mathcal{R}^{\ell}, \, \texttt{sample } (x_i)_{i=1}^n \\ \hline & \textbf{Output: } \tilde{X}_{\ell} \\ & (R_{\star}, C_{\star}, \epsilon_{\star})) \leftarrow (\emptyset, \emptyset, +\infty) \\ \texttt{1: while stopping criterion not met do} \\ & \texttt{Update clusters: } (C^{(1)}, \dots, C^{(\ell)}) \leftarrow \textit{FindClusters}(R) \\ & \texttt{Perturb clusters: } (C^{(1)}, \dots, C^{(\ell)}) \leftarrow \textit{perturb}(C^{(1)}, \dots, C^{(\ell)}) \\ & \texttt{Update representatives: } \forall j \in \{1, \dots, \ell\}, R^{(j)} \leftarrow \textit{FindRepresentative}(C^{(j)}) \\ & \texttt{Update best configuration: } (R_{\star}, C_{\star}, \epsilon_{\star}) = \textit{UpdateBest}(R, C, R_{\star}, C_{\star}, \epsilon_{\star}) \\ \texttt{2: end while} \\ \texttt{3: } (\omega_1, \dots, \omega_{\ell}) = (\frac{\texttt{card}(C_1^{(1)})}{n}, \dots, \frac{\texttt{card}(C_{\star}^{(\ell)})}{n}) \\ \texttt{4: } J \texttt{r.v. } \in \{1, \dots, \ell\} \text{ with } \forall j \in \{\stackrel{n}{1}, \dots, \ell\}, \mathbb{P}(J = j) = \omega_j \\ \texttt{5: } \tilde{X} = R_{\star}^{(J)} \\ \end{array}$

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FindClusters

Objective: Associates a partition of ℓ clusters to the ℓ representatives **Inputs:** $(x_i)_{i=1}^n$ and ℓ representatives $(R^{(1)}, \ldots, R^{(\ell)})$ **Outputs:** Partition $C^{(1)}, \ldots, C^{(\ell)}$

General idea: Greedily build the clusters $C^{(1)}, \ldots, C^{(\ell)}$.

Consering S_i a large sample with distribution $R^{(j)}$

Add every x_i to cluster $j(x_i)$ that minimizes

$$\delta(x_i, j) = \mathcal{W}_p(S_j \cup x_i, R^{(j)})^p - \mathcal{W}_p(S_j, R^{(j)})^p$$

 $\delta(x_i, j)$ measures how x_i makes S_j different to $R^{(j)}$

Remark: At each iteration, $S_{j(x_i)} = S_{j(x_i)} \cup x_i$

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FindClusters illustration

Start with $R^{(1)} \sim \mathcal{U}_{[0,0.5]}$ and $R^{(2)} \sim \mathcal{U}_{[0.5,1]}$



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Perturb part 1: Split

Objective: Split some of the clusters by identifying their worst elements to place in

"bin" clusters

Inputs: $(x_i)_{i=1}^n$, a partition, $(C^{(1)}, \ldots, C^{(\ell)})$, proportion of elements to remove p_{bin} ,

clusters to split $indexes_{bin}$

Outputs: Partition $\hat{C} = (C^{(1)}, \dots, C^{(\ell)}, C^{(1)}_{\text{bin}}, \dots, C^{(\ell_{\text{bin}})})$

General idea: To split a cluster $C^{(j)}$, greedily fill $C^{(j)}_{\text{bin}}$ and empty $C^{(j)}$ by selecting

$$x^* = \underset{x \in C^{(j)}}{\operatorname{arg min}} \mathcal{W}_p(C^{(j)} \setminus x, FindRepresentative(C^{(j)} \setminus x))$$

 x^* makes the cluster $C^{(j)}$ the closest to its representative once removed

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Split illustration



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Perturb part 2: Merge

Objective: Go back to ℓ clusters by merging some of the $\ell + \ell_{\rm bin}$ clusters together

Inputs: $(x_i)_{i=1}^n$, a partition $\hat{C} = (C^{(1)}, \dots, C^{(\ell)}, C_{\text{bin}}^{(1)}, \dots, C_{\text{bin}}^{(\ell_{\text{bin}})}) = (\hat{C}_1, \dots, \hat{C}_{\ell+\ell_{\text{bin}}})$ **Outputs:** A partition $C_* = (C^{(1)}, \dots, C^{(\ell)})$

General idea: Testing all the possible merging to go from $\ell + \ell_{bin}$ groups to ℓ groups [1], keep the one with the lowest quantization error

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\ell} \omega_j \mathcal{W}_p(C^{(j)}, FindRepresentative(C^{(j)}))^p$$

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Merge illustration



 $R^{(1)} = \mathcal{U}_{(0.30, 0.61)}$ and $R^{(2)} = \mathcal{U}_{(-0.02, 1.01)}$

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FindRepresentative

Objective: Associate to a cluster a representative belonging to the parametric family $\mathcal{R} = \{r(\underline{\eta}), \underline{\eta} \in \mathbb{R}^d\}$ **Input:** A cluster $C^{(j)}$

Output: A representative distribution $r(\underline{\eta})$

General idea: Minimise the Wasserstein distance between $r(\underline{\eta})$ and the cluster *C*: $W_p(r(\underline{\eta}), C)$

Practically: find the best parameters for each marginal. By denoting $C^k = \{x_k, (x_1, \dots, x_m) \in C\}$, we can optimize

$$\forall k \in \{1,\ldots,m\}, \mathcal{W}_p(r(\underline{\eta_k}), C^k)$$

Why ? In 1D, $\mathcal{W}_p(\mu_1, \mu_2) = \left(\int_0^1 |F_1^{-1}(q) - F_2^{-1}(q)|_{\mathcal{O}}^p dq\right)_{\mathcal{O}}^{\frac{1}{p}}$ [4]

New FindClusters



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FindRepresentative: Optimising $W_p(C, \delta_{(x_1,...,x_m)})$

Provides $(x_1^{\star}, \ldots, x_m^{\star})$ the centroid of *C*

FindClusters: Build $(C^{(1)}, \ldots, C^{(\ell)})$ from $\gamma_1, \ldots, \gamma_\ell$

One can show that
$$x \in \mathcal{C}^{(j)} \iff j \in rgmin_{j' \in \{1,...,\ell\}} \|x - \gamma_{j'}\|$$

Conclusion These steps are the same as K-means

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Dirac

Without the clusters perturbation, our algorithm do the same as K-means

The perturbation can reduce the quantization error



Lloyd's algorithm ($\epsilon_2(\Gamma_2) = 0.28$) Augmented quantization ($\epsilon_2(\Gamma_2) = 0.25$)

Dirac: statistical tests

Comparison on 500 different samples of 20 points in $[0, 1]^2$, with 20 starts tested for each one. Relative difference between the quantization errors (in %):



Lower quantization error for 43% of the tests Same quantization error for 53% of the tests

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Uniform mixtures



$$\left(\sum_{j=1}^{\ell} \omega_j \mathcal{W}_2(C^{(j)}, R^{(j)})^2\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 3.5 \times 10^{-3}$$

 $\mathcal{W}_2((x_i)_{i=1}^n, \tilde{X}) = 2.3 \times 10^{-3}$

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Gaussian mixtures



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Gaussian mixtures II

Density of the 2 obtained clusters and the associated representatives



$$\begin{split} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{\ell} \omega_j \mathcal{W}_2(C^{(j)}, R^{(j)})^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} &= 1 \times 10^{-2} \\ \mathcal{W}_2((x_i)_{i=1}^n, \tilde{X}) &= 8.5 \times 10^{-3} \\ \mathcal{W}_2((x_i)_{i=1}^n, \tilde{X}_{\text{GMM}}) &= 7.5 \times 10^{-3} \ [2] \end{split}$$

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Hybrid mixture



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Summary and future work

Summary:

- Very general method to investigate mixture models
- Possibility to include different types of distributions
- Innovative approach but time consuming

Further developments:

- Investigate the optimization of $p_{\rm bin}$ in the perturb step
- Active learning of the number of representatives

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