# An EM Algorithm for GTM-FS

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#### Abstract

We propose a generative topographic mapping (GTM) based data visualization with simultaneous feature selection (GTM-FS) approach which not only provides a better visualization by modeling irrelevant features ("noise") using a separate shared distribution but also gives a saliency value for each feature which helps the user to assess their significance. This technical report presents a varient of the Expectation-Maximization (EM) algorithm for GTM-FS.

### 1 GTM Architecture

In GTM-FS, the Gaussians in the constrained mixture of Gaussians have diagonal covariance. Roughly, GTM-FS Architecture can be displayed as below:

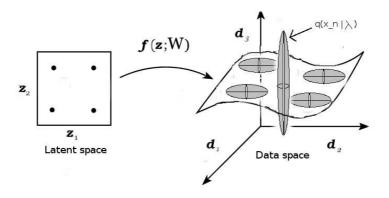


Figure 1: Schematic representation of the GTM model.

Following are the important dimension variables and indexes:

<sup>\*</sup>Please note that this is an ad-hoc technical note. More structured report with clear notations will follow soon. Contact the author for a newer version.

N =Number of input data points. Index used : n.

M = Number of components (latent grid points). Index used: m.

D =Number of features (dimension of the data space). Index used : d.

K = Number of basis function for RBF mapping. Index used : k.

## 2 GTM with Feature Selection (GTM-FS)

GTM has a non-linear transformation from the latent space to the data space given by a linear combination of the basis functions. So that each point  $\mathbf{z}_m$  in latent space is mapped to a corresponding point  $t_m$  in the D-dimensional data space (which acts as the centre of a Gaussian m) given by

$$T = \Phi(z)W, \tag{1}$$

where **T** is an  $M \times D$  matrix,  $\Phi$  is an  $M \times K$  matrix, and **W** is a  $K \times D$  matrix. If we denote the node locations in latent space by  $\mathbf{z}_m$ , then eq. (1) defines a corresponding set of 'reference vectors' given by

$$t_{md} = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \phi_{mk}(\mathbf{z}_m) w_{kd}, \tag{2}$$

where  $t_{md}$  is a scalar and it represents estimated the dth feature of the mth component.

Each of the reference vectors then forms the centre of a Gaussian distribution in data space. For feature saliency purpose, we have one dimensional Gaussian for each feature,

$$p(x_{nd}|t_{md},\sigma_{md}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_{md}^2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{(x_{nd} - t_{md})^2}{2\sigma_{md}^2}\right\}.$$
 (3)

The probability density function for the GTM model is obtained by summing over all the Gaussian components, to give

$$p(\mathbf{x}|T, \Sigma^2) = \sum_{m=1}^{M} P(m)p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{t}_m, \sigma_m)$$
(4)

We assume that the features are conditionally independent given the (hidden) component label, so

$$p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{\Theta}) = \sum_{m=1}^{M} \alpha_m \prod_{l=1}^{D} p(x_{nd}|\theta_{md})$$
 (5)

where  $p(\cdot | \theta_{md})$  is the pdf of the dth feature for the mth component.  $\theta_{md} = \{t_{md}, \sigma^2_d\}$  and  $\alpha_m$  is P(m) (prior).

The dth feature is irrelevant if its distribution is independent of the class labels, i.e., if it follows a common density, denoted by  $q(x_{nd}|\lambda_d)$ . Let  $\Psi =$ 

 $(\psi_1, ..., \psi_D)$  be an ordered set of binary parameters, such that  $\psi_d = 1$  if feature d is relevant and  $\psi_d = 0$ , otherwise. The mixture density in eq. (5) is now:

$$p(\mathbf{x}_n | \Psi, \alpha_m, \theta_{md}, \lambda_d) = \sum_{m=1}^{M} \alpha_m \prod_{l=1}^{D} [p(x_{nd} | \theta_{md})]^{\psi_d} [q(x_{nd} | \lambda_d)]^{(1-\psi_d)}$$
(6)

Our notion of feature saliency is summarised in the following steps:

- 1. We treat the  $\psi_d$ s as missing variables
- 2. We define the feature saliency as  $\rho_d = P(\psi_d = 1)$ , the probability that the dth feature is relevant.

So the resulting model can be written as

$$p(\mathbf{x}_n|\mathbf{\Theta}) = \sum_{m=1}^{M} \alpha_m \prod_{l=1}^{D} (\rho_d p(x_{nd}|\theta_{md}) + (1 - \rho_d) q(x_{nd}|\lambda_d))$$
 (7)

where  $\Theta = \alpha_m, \theta_{md}, \lambda_d, \rho_d$  is the set of all the parameters of the model. The complete-data log-likelihood for the model in eq. (7) is

$$P(\mathbf{x}_n, y_n = m, \mathbf{\Theta}) = \alpha_m \prod_{l=1}^{D} (\rho_d p(x_{nd} | \theta_{md}))^{\psi_d} ((1 - \rho_d) q(x_{nd} | \lambda_d))^{(1 - \psi_d)}$$
(8)

We can define the following quantities

$$s_{nm} = P(y_n = m | \mathbf{x}_n), \tag{9}$$

$$u_{nmd} = P(y_n = m, \psi_d = 1 | \mathbf{x}_n), \tag{10}$$

$$v_{nmd} = P(y_n = m, \psi_d = 0 | \mathbf{x}_n) \tag{11}$$

They are calculated using the current parameter estimate  $\Theta^{new}$ . Now that  $u_{nmd} + v_{nmd} = s_{nm}$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{m=1}^{M} w_{nm} = N$ . The expected complete data log-likelihood based on  $\Theta^{old}$  we get

$$E_{\theta^{new}}[\ln P(X, \mathbf{z}, \Theta)] = \sum_{m} (\sum_{n} s_{nm}) \ln \alpha_{m} + \sum_{md} \sum_{n} u_{nmd} \ln p(x_{nd} | \theta_{md}) + \sum_{d} \sum_{nm} v_{nmd} \ln q(x_{nd} | \lambda_{d}) + \sum_{d} \left( \ln \rho_{d} \sum_{nm} u_{nmd} + \ln(1 - \rho_{d}) \sum_{nm} v_{nmd} \right)$$

$$(12)$$

The four parts in the equation above can be maximised separately.

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E-Steps: Compute the following quantities:

$$a_{nmd} = P(\psi_d = 1, x_{nd} | z_n = m) = \rho_d p(x_{nd} | \theta_{md}),$$
 (13)

$$b_{nmd} = P(\psi_d = 0, x_{nd} | z_n = m) = (1 - \rho_d) q(x_{nd} | \lambda_d), \tag{14}$$

$$c_{nmd} = P(x_{nm}|z_n = m) = a_{nmd} + b_{nmd},$$
 (15)

$$s_{nm} = P(z_n = m | \mathbf{x}_n) = \frac{\alpha_m \prod_d c_{nmd}}{\sum_m \alpha_m \prod_d c_{nmd}},$$
(16)

$$u_{nmd} = P(\psi_d = 1, z_n = m | \mathbf{x}_n) = \frac{a_{nmd}}{c_{nmd}} s_{nm}, \tag{17}$$

$$v_{nmd} = P(\psi_d = 0, z_n = m | \mathbf{x}_n) = s_{nm} - u_{nmd}.$$
 (18)

To obtain re-estimation of the parameters, we consider complete log likelihood (eq. (12)) and using eq. (3) and eq. (2), we get following for the second term in eq. (12):

$$\mathcal{L}_{2ndpart} = \sum_{md} \sum_{n} u_{nmd} \ln p(x_{nd}|\theta_{md}), \tag{19}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{2ndpart} = \sum_{md} \sum_{n} u_{nmd} \ln \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_d^2}} \exp\left\{ -\frac{(x_{nd} - t_{md})^2}{2\sigma_d^2} \right\} \right\}, \quad (20)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{2ndpart} = \sum_{md} \sum_{n} u_{nmd} \left[ \left( -\frac{1}{2} \ln(\sigma_d^2) \right) - \frac{(x_{nd} - \Phi_m \mathbf{w}_d)^2}{2\sigma_d^2} \right]. \tag{21}$$

Now differentiating above equation w.r.t  $w_{id}$  (where  $i \in 1, ..., K$ , we get

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{2ndpart}}{\partial w_{id}} = \sum_{m} \sum_{n} u_{nmd} \left[ \frac{(x_{nd} - \Phi_{m} \mathbf{w}_{d})}{\sigma_{d}^{2}} \phi_{mi} \right],$$

setting above equation to 0 and solving it we get

$$\sum_{m} \sum_{n} u_{nmd} [(x_{nd} - \Phi_m \mathbf{w}_d) \phi_{mi}] = 0.$$
 (22)

This can be written in matrix notation in the form

$$\Phi_i^T \mathbf{U}_d \mathbf{x}_d = \Phi_i^T \mathbf{G}_d \Phi_m \mathbf{w}_d, \tag{23}$$

where  $\Phi_m$  is a  $1 \times K$  vector,  $\mathbf{w}_d$  is a  $K \times 1$  weight vector for the feature d,  $\mathbf{R}_d$  is a  $M \times N$  responsibility matrix for the feature d,  $\mathbf{x}_d$  is a  $N \times 1$  data vector for the feature d, and  $\mathbf{G}_d$  is a  $M \times M$  diagonal matrix with elements

$$g_{mmd} = \sum_{n}^{N} u_{nmd}.$$
 (24)

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So for all  $i \in \{1, 2, ..., K\}$ , we have,

$$\mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{U}_d \mathbf{x}_d = \mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{G}_d \mathbf{\Phi} \mathbf{w}_d, \tag{25}$$

Similarly, differentiating eq. (21) w.r.t  $\sigma_d$ , we get

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{2ndpart}}{\partial \sigma_d} = \sum_{m} \sum_{n} u_{nmd} \left[ -\frac{1}{2\hat{\sigma}_d^2} + \frac{(x_{nd} - \Phi_m \hat{\mathbf{w}})^2}{2(\hat{\sigma}_d^2)^2} \right]$$
(26)

setting above equation to 0 and solving it, we get

$$\hat{\sigma}_d = \frac{\sum_m \sum_n u_{nmd} (x_{nd} - \Phi_m \hat{\mathbf{w}}_d)^2}{\sum_m \sum_n u_{nmd}}$$
(27)

M-Steps: Reestimate the parameters according to following expressions:

$$\hat{\alpha_m} = \frac{\sum_n s_{nm}}{\sum_{nm} s_{nm}} = \frac{\sum_n s_{nm}}{N},\tag{28}$$

$$\mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{U}_d \mathbf{x}_d = \mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{G}_d \mathbf{\Phi} \mathbf{w}_d, \text{ Solve this to find the updated } \mathbf{w}_d \qquad (29)$$

$$\widehat{\text{Mean in}} \theta_{md} = \Phi_m \hat{\mathbf{w}}_d, \tag{30}$$

$$\widehat{\text{Var in}}\theta_{md} = \frac{\sum_{m} \sum_{n} u_{nmd} (x_{nd} - \Phi_{m} \hat{\mathbf{w}}_{d})^{2}}{\sum_{m} \sum_{n} u_{nmd}},$$
(31)

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$$\widehat{\text{Mean in}} \lambda_{d} = \frac{\sum_{n} (\sum_{m} v_{nmd}) x_{nd}}{\sum_{nm} v_{nmd}},$$
(31)

$$\widehat{\text{Var in}} \lambda_d = \frac{\sum_n (\sum_m v_{nmd}) x_{nd}}{\sum_{nm} v_{nmd}},$$

$$\widehat{\rho}_d = \frac{\sum_n u_{nmd}}{\sum_{nm} u_{nmd} + \sum_{nm} v_{nmd}} = \frac{\sum_n u_{nmd}}{N}$$
(33)

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(34)

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