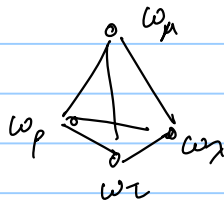


Lecture 12

Hierarchical Models

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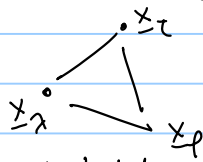


$$(p, \tau, \lambda) \in \text{ch}(\mu)$$

$$\lambda, \varphi(\omega_\mu: \omega_{\text{ch}(\mu)})$$

$$\omega_\mu = f(\omega_{\text{ch}(\mu)})$$

deterministic function.



e.g. Gaussian $\omega_\mu = (\underline{x}_\mu, \theta_\mu, s_\mu)$

$$\underline{x}_\mu = \frac{1}{3}(\underline{x}_p + \underline{x}_c + \underline{x}_n)$$

$$s_\mu = s_p + s_c + s_n$$

$$\theta_\mu = \frac{1}{3}(\theta_p + \theta_c + \theta_n) \pmod{2\pi}$$

Gaussian distribution.

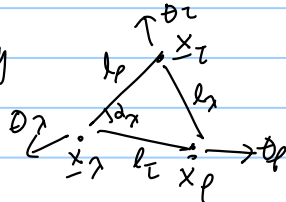
on relative position $\underline{x}_c, \underline{x}_n, \underline{x}_p$.

relative to center $\frac{1}{3}(\underline{x}_p + \underline{x}_c + \underline{x}_n)$

Self. stats $\underline{x}, \underline{x} \underline{x}^T$

$$\varphi(\underline{x}_{\text{ch}(\mu)}) = ((\underline{x}_c, \underline{x}_p, \underline{x}_n), (\underline{x}_c, \underline{x}_p, \underline{x}_n) (\underline{x}_c, \underline{x}_p, \underline{x}_n)^T)$$

Alternatively



$\frac{l_p}{l_x + l_p + l_c}, \alpha_c, \theta_c$
one independent of position, scale, orientation.

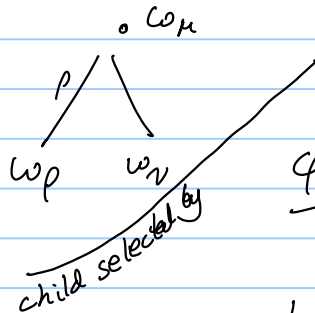
define $\underline{l} = (\alpha_c, \alpha_p, \alpha_n, \frac{l_p}{l_x + l_p + l_c}, \frac{l_c}{l_x + l_p + l_c}, \frac{l_n}{l_x + l_p + l_c}, \theta_c, \theta_p, \theta_n)$

statistic $\underline{l}, \underline{l} \underline{l}^T$

Or nodes

state of ω_μ
is state of
one of its children

$$\omega_\mu = \omega_p \text{ or } \omega_\mu = \omega_n$$



switch variables

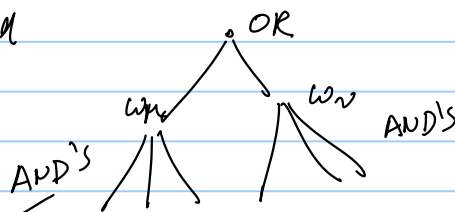
$$t_\mu \in \{p, n\}$$

$$\varphi^{\text{or}}(\omega_\mu: \omega_{\text{ch}(\mu)}) = \lambda_p \delta(\omega_\mu - \omega_p) + \lambda_n \delta(\omega_\mu - \omega_n)$$

Way to build a complex mixture distribution.

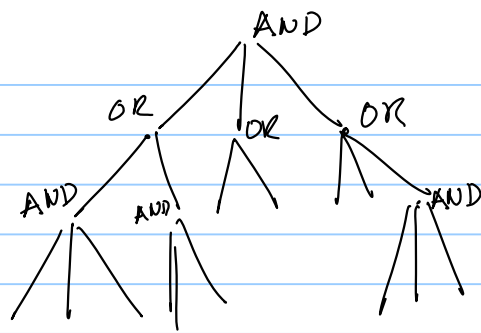
Or nodes allow topology of graph to change — to deal with different viewpoints and poses. (e.g. baseball players)

mixture model



standard mixture model.

(2)



Combinatorics:

AND/OR/AND
in alternative levels.

reusable
Parts

h - no. of child of OR's
 m - no. of child of AND's
 n - no. of OR level.

Then No. of Topologies $\sim O(n^m h)$
 No. of Nodes $\sim O(nm)^h$

Efficient representation $\rightarrow$ Ratio $\frac{\text{No. of Nodes}}{\text{No. of Topologies}} \sim O$ large h .

By comparison, standard mixture model.

$\frac{\text{No. of Nodes}}{\text{No. of Topologies}} \approx C$ - average no. of nodes for each mixture.

Models: OR, AND.

How to Learn:

Case(1): Assume structure is known. / AND nodes only.

h potential obeys summation - $w_{\mu} = f(w_{\text{children}})$
 then ground truth for leaf nodes gives ground truth for all nodes.

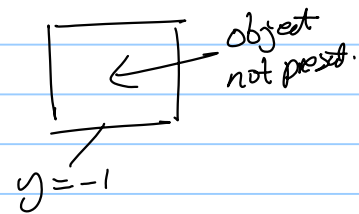
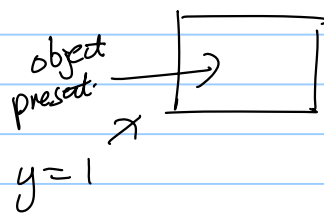
Then we can apply standard learning techniques
 $\rightarrow$ maximum likelihood estimator, structure learning, etc.

h OR nodes, then they must be specified by hand.

(3) (2) Suppose we know the rough location of the object - i.e. it is within a box

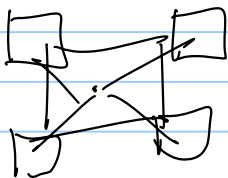
Latent SVM

known variable is $y \in \{\pm 1\}$

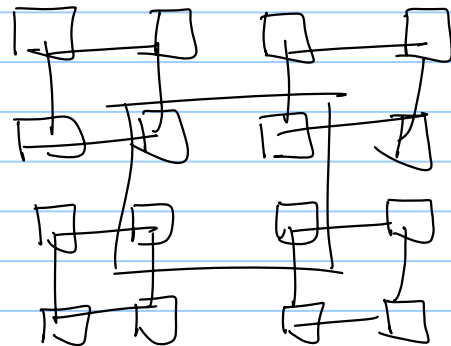


Has only been applied to simple hierarchies

2 levels



3 levels



Recall - Latent SVM requires good initial conditions

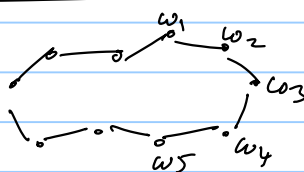
(3) Hierarchical Image Models

groundtruth $\rightarrow$ at lattice level enables us to estimate the groundtruth for higher levels.



segmentation template (S_M, S_m)

(4) Learning a hierarchy in one stage.



affinity matrix

$$A(w_i, w_j) = e^{-|x_i - x_j|} e^{-(\theta_i - \theta_j)}$$

Cluster:

$$C_1 = \{w_1\}$$

$$\text{if } A(w_1, w_2) > \tau,$$

otherwise

$$C_1 = \{w_1\}, C_2 = \{w_2\}$$

$$C_1 = \{w_1, w_2\}$$

repeat to form clusters $C_1, \dots, C_m$

represent each cluster by the summary of its elements

$$\text{eg. } C_1 = \{w_1, w_2, w_3\}, \quad \tilde{w}_1 = f(w_1, w_2, w_3)$$

repeat process on these $\tilde{w}_1, \tilde{w}_2, \dots, \tilde{w}_m$.

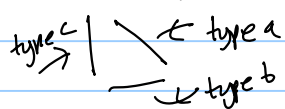
yield hierarchy

(4)

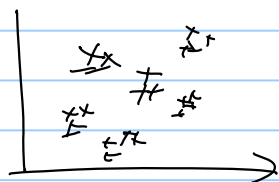
(5) Unsupervised Learning of Hierarchy:

Dictionary: Level 1. $\lambda^a \cdot \phi^a(w_n; I)$ tuned to different orientations $1 - \dots - 1$
 $a \in \mathbb{D}_1$ hand specified.

Detect all instances and all composites.



cluster instances $\{w^a, w^b, w^c\}$
based on geometric properties



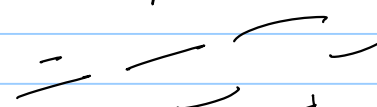
Each cluster gives a possible level 2 dictionary element.

prune: by "suspicious coincidences"

— require the cluster to have a suff. large no of elements

next prune by "competitive exclusion"

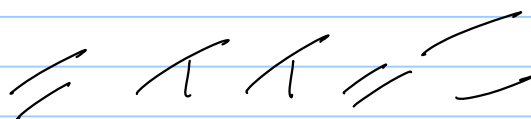
— remove models which overlap too much.

This gives level-2 dictionary eg. 

Continue to higher levels.

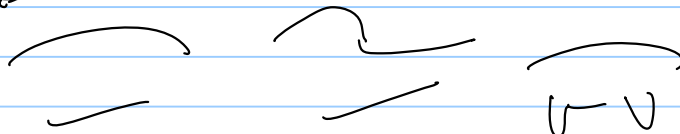
stop automatically when there are no suspicious structures.

Level-3



Generic $\rightarrow$ not specific to object being learnt

Level-4



$\rightarrow$ more like the object (e.g. horse)

Level-5



models at level-5

are not complete models of the horse

But can expand these models by adding elements from the lower-level dictionary.

For details, see handbook.