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| 1. Record Nr. | UNINA9910457486303321 |
| Autore | Flowers Amy |
| Titolo | The fantasy factory [[electronic resource]] : an insider's view of the phone sex industry // Amy Flowers |
| Pubbl/distr/stampa | Philadelphia, Pa., : University of Pennsylvania Press, c1998 |
| ISBN | 1-283-21121-1 9786613211217 0-8122-0074-8 |
| Descrizione fisica | 1 online resource (153 p.) |
| Collana | Feminist cultural studies, the media, and political culture |
| Disciplina | 306.77 |
| Soggetti | Telephone sex - United States Intimacy (Psychology) Feminist theory - United States Technology and civilization - United States Electronic books. |
| Lingua di pubblicazione | Inglese |
| Formato | Materiale a stampa |
| Livello bibliografico | Monografia |
| Note generali | Bibliographic Level Mode of Issuance: Monograph |
| Nota di bibliografia | Includes bibliographical references (p. [125]-139) and index. |
| Nota di contenuto | Frontmatter -- Contents -- Introduction -- Chapter 1. Researching the Fantasy Factory -- Chapter 2. Fantasy Girls Are Felt But Never Seen -- Chapter 3. Phone Sex Consumers: Husbands and Friends? -- Chapter 4. The Manufacture of Fantasy -- Chapter 5. The Real Product of Fantasy -- Bibliography -- Acknowledgments -- Index |
| Sommario/riassunto | The Fantasy Factory explores the world of women on the other end of the phone sex lines advertised in magazines like Playboy and Hustler. The author's interviews with these women, as well as her own first-hand experiences as an operator, reveal the complex ways operators and callers negotiate the shifting borders between desire and disgust, fantasy and reality, deception and belief. The Fantasy Factory raises provocative questions about the manufacture of artificial intimacy and the technological mediation of intimacy, as well as about the social construction of sexuality and gender. Flowers discovers that operators—who assume names like Tiffany and Corvette—create a virtual reality in which callers can act out fantasies that operators may find boring, disgusting, or even frightening. She also discovers that even those |

women who are skilled at keeping their "true self" and their phone sex persona separate find that they have to struggle to protect that self and to maintain the ability to experience real intimacy.

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| 2. Record Nr. | UNINA9911020436103321 |
| Autore | McLachlan Geoffrey J. <1946-> |
| Titolo | The EM algorithm and extensions // Geoffrey J. McLachlan, Thriyambakam Krishnan |
| Pubbl/distr/stampa | Hoboken, N.J., : Wiley-Interscience, c2008 |
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| Edizione | [2nd ed.] |
| Descrizione fisica | 1 online resource (399 p.) |
| Collana | Wiley series in probability and statistics |
| Altri autori (Persone) | KrishnanT <1938-> (Thriyambakam) |
| Disciplina | 519.5/44 |
| Soggetti | Expectation-maximization algorithms Estimation theory Missing observations (Statistics) |
| Lingua di pubblicazione | Inglese |
| Formato | Materiale a stampa |
| Livello bibliografico | Monografia |
| Note generali | Description based upon print version of record. |
| Nota di bibliografia | Includes bibliographical references (p. 311-337) and indexes. |
| Nota di contenuto | The EM Algorithm and Extensions; CONTENTS; PREFACE TO THE SECOND EDITION; PREFACE TO THE FIRST EDITION; LIST OF EXAMPLES; 1 GENERAL INTRODUCTION; 1.1 Introduction; 1.2 Maximum Likelihood Estimation; 1.3 Newton-Type Methods; 1.3.1 Introduction; 1.3.2 Newton-Raphson Method; 1.3.3 Quasi-Newton Methods; 1.3.4 Modified Newton Methods; 1.4 Introductory Examples; 1.4.1 Introduction; 1.4.2 Example 1.1: A Multinomial Example; 1.4.3 Example 1.2: Estimation of Mixing Proportions; 1.5 Formulation of the EM Algorithm; 1.5.1 EM Algorithm; 1.5.2 Example 1.3: Censored Exponentially Distributed Survival Times |

1.5.3 E- and M-Steps for the Regular Exponential Family; 1.5.4 Example 1.4: Censored Exponentially Distributed Survival Times (Example 1.3 Continued); 1.5.5 Generalized EM Algorithm; 1.5.6 GEM Algorithm Based on One Newton-Raphson Step; 1.5.7 EM Gradient Algorithm; 1.5.8 EM Mapping; 1.6 EM Algorithm for MAP and MPL Estimation; 1.6.1 Maximum a Posteriori Estimation; 1.6.2 Example 1.5: A Multinomial Example (Example 1.1 Continued); 1.6.3 Maximum Penalized Estimation; 1.7 Brief Summary of the Properties of the EM Algorithm; 1.8 History of the EM Algorithm; 1.8.1 Early EM History; 1.8.2 Work Before Dempster, Laird, and Rubin (1977); 1.8.3 EM Examples and Applications Since Dempster, Laird, and Rubin (1977); 1.8.4 Two Interpretations of EM; 1.8.5 Developments in EM Theory, Methodology, and Applications; 1.9 Overview of the Book; 1.10 Notations; 2 EXAMPLES OF THE EM ALGORITHM; 2.1 Introduction; 2.2 Multivariate Data with Missing Values; 2.2.1 Example 2.1: Bivariate Normal Data with Missing Values; 2.2.2 Numerical Illustration; 2.2.3 Multivariate Data: Buck's Method; 2.3 Least Squares with Missing Data; 2.3.1 Healy-Westmacott Procedure; 2.3.2 Example 2.2: Linear Regression with Missing Dependent Values; 2.3.3 Example 2.3: Missing Values in a Latin Square Design; 2.3.4 Healy-Westmacott Procedure as an EM Algorithm; 2.4 Example 2.4: Multinomial with Complex Cell Structure; 2.5 Example 2.5: Analysis of PET and SPECT Data; 2.6 Example 2.6: Multivariate t-Distribution (Known D.F.); 2.6.1 ML Estimation of Multivariate t-Distribution; 2.6.2 Numerical Example: Stack Loss Data; 2.7 Finite Normal Mixtures; 2.7.1 Example 2.7: Univariate Component Densities; 2.7.2 Example 2.8: Multivariate Component Densities; 2.7.3 Numerical Example: Red Blood Cell Volume Data; 2.8 Example 2.9: Grouped and Truncated Data; 2.8.1 Introduction; 2.8.2 Specification of Complete Data; 2.8.3 E-Step; 2.8.4 M-Step; 2.8.5 Confirmation of Incomplete-Data Score Statistic; 2.8.6 M-Step for Grouped Normal Data; 2.8.7 Numerical Example: Grouped Log Normal Data; 2.9 Example 2.10: A Hidden Markov AR(1) model; 3 BASIC THEORY OF THE EM ALGORITHM; 3.1 Introduction; 3.2 Monotonicity of the EM Algorithm; 3.3 Monotonicity of a Generalized EM Algorithm; 3.4 Convergence of an EM Sequence to a Stationary Value; 3.4.1 Introduction; 3.4.2 Regularity Conditions of Wu (1983)

Sommario/riassunto

The only single-source--now completely updated and revised--to offer a unified treatment of the theory, methodology, and applications of the EM algorithm Complete with updates that capture developments from the past decade, The EM Algorithm and Extensions, Second Edition successfully provides a basic understanding of the EM algorithm by describing its inception, implementation, and applicability in numerous statistical contexts. In conjunction with the fundamentals of the topic, the authors discuss convergence issues and computation of standard errors, and, in addition, unveil many parallels