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CMP9794M Advanced Artificial Intelligence

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Last Four Weeks

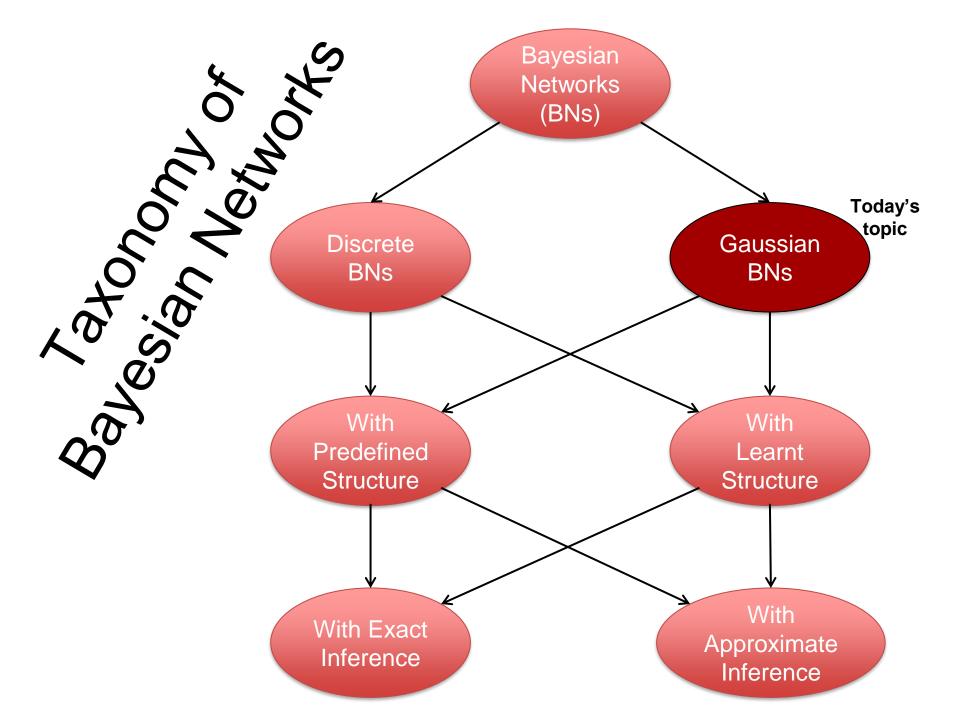
We have studied discrete Bayesian Networks in a fair amount of detail to answer the following:

- 1. Where do the probabilities come from?

 A: MLE with Laplace/Additive/Dirichlet Smoothing
- 2. Where does the structure come from?

 A: Structure learning via PC-Stable, Hill Climbing, MMHC
- 3. How do we do probabilistic inference?

 A: Inference by enumeration, variable elimination,
 rejection sampling, likelihood weighting, Gibbs sampling



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Discrete vs. Continuous Random Variables

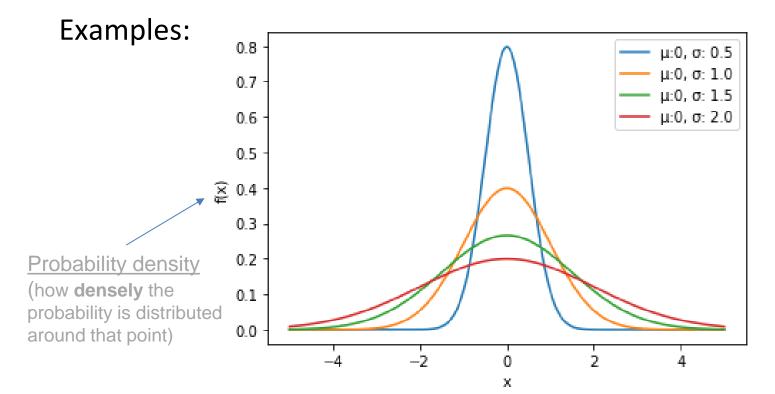
We have used variables with finite sets of values, but what do we do with random variables such as position, velocity, temperature, pressure?

	Discretise it	Use as is: Continuous
Pro	Reduced problem, efficient learning, interpretability, etc.	More suitable and natural for its type
Con	Loss of information & unnatural solution (e.g. steering wheel)	Computationally expensive, limited scalability.

Gaussian/Normal Distribution

A Gaussian (a.k.a. normal distribution) is a **probability density function (PDF)** defined as

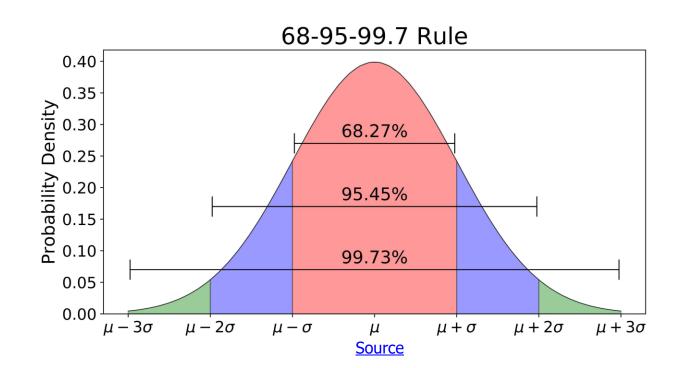
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Mean Standard deviation



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Univariate Gaussian Distribution

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$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2}$$
Mean
Standard deviation

 $e = 2.71828 \dots$

 $\pi = 3.14159 \dots$

Equivalent to:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{\frac{-(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$
Variance

Also written as:

$$f(x) = \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$$
or
$$f(x) = \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma)$$

Standard Deviation vs. Variance

Both are measures of dispersion of a set of values.

 $u = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i$

The **standard deviation** (SD) is the squared root of the variance—the lower the SD the closer to the mean.

$$Var(X) = \sigma^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \mu)^2$$

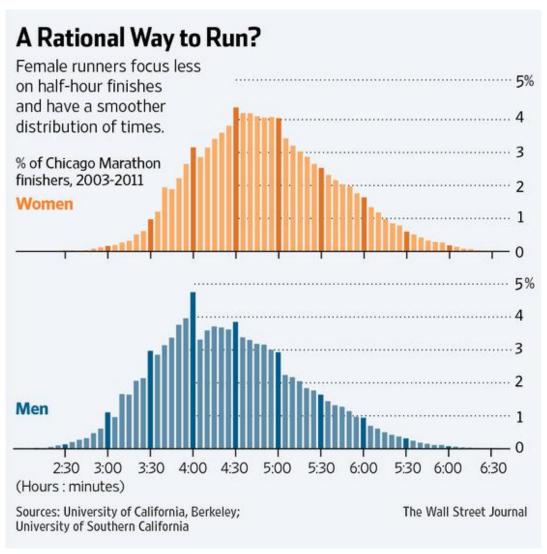
The **variance** tells us how far a set of values is from the mean.

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\sigma^2} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \mu)^2}$$

Example: consider vector $X=\{3,7,7,19,5,10,6\}$, with mean $\mu=8.14$, variance $\sigma^2=23.55$, and SD $\sigma=\sqrt{\sigma^2}=4.85$.

Whilst variance gives us an amount in terms of square units, the standard deviation converts them back to original units.

Gaussians from Real World Data



Multivariate Gaussian Distribution

A multivariate Gaussian is a generalisation of the 1D Gaussian to multiple continuous random variables, defined as

$$\mathcal{N}(x|\mu, \Sigma) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} (x - \mu)^{\mathsf{T}} \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu)\right]$$

Notation:

D = dimentionality (number of random variables)

 μ =mean vector (D real numbers)

 Σ =covariance matrix $(D \times D)$,

where $\Sigma_{ij} = \text{cov}(y_i, y_j)$

<u>Covariance</u> (cov) tells us how two random variables change together.

- + cov: variables head in same direction
- cov: variables head in opposite direction

0 cov: no relationship between variables

Covariance Matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} Var(x_1) & \cdots & Cov(x_n, x_1) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ Cov(x_n, x_1) & \cdots & Var(x_n) \end{bmatrix}$$

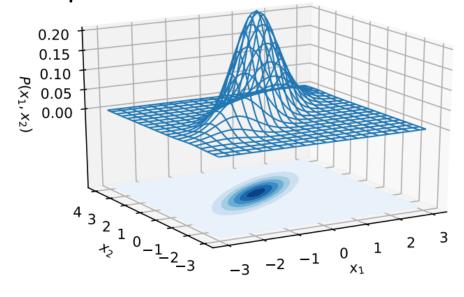
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Multivariate Gaussian Distribution

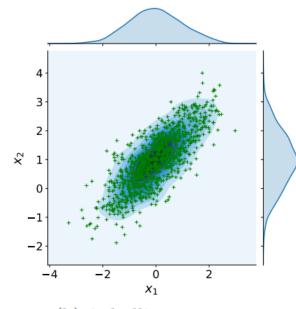
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Example:



(a) 3-d bell curve



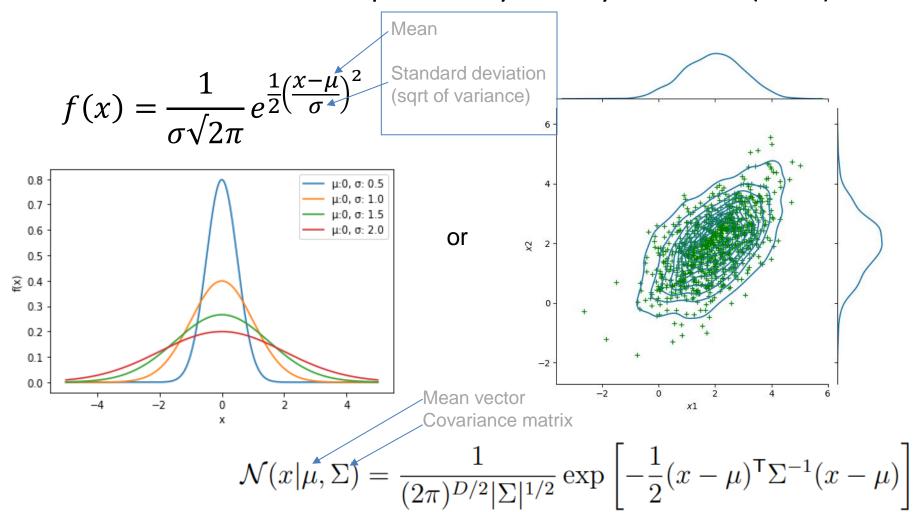
(b) 2-d ellipse contours

Multivariate Gaussian Distribution

```
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
mean, cov = [0., 0.], [(1., -0.6), (-0.6, 1.)]
#mean, cov = [2., 2.], [(1., 0.6), (0.6, 1.)] —
data = np.random.multivariate normal(mean, cov, 1000)
df = pd.DataFrame(data, columns=["x1", "x2"])
g = sns.jointplot("x1", "x2", data=df, kind="kde")
g.plot joint(plt.scatter, c="g", s=30, linewidth=1, marker="+")
g.set axis labels("$x1$", "$x2$");
plt.show()
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So, Gaussian Distributions are ...

Univariate or Multivariate probability density functions (PDFs)

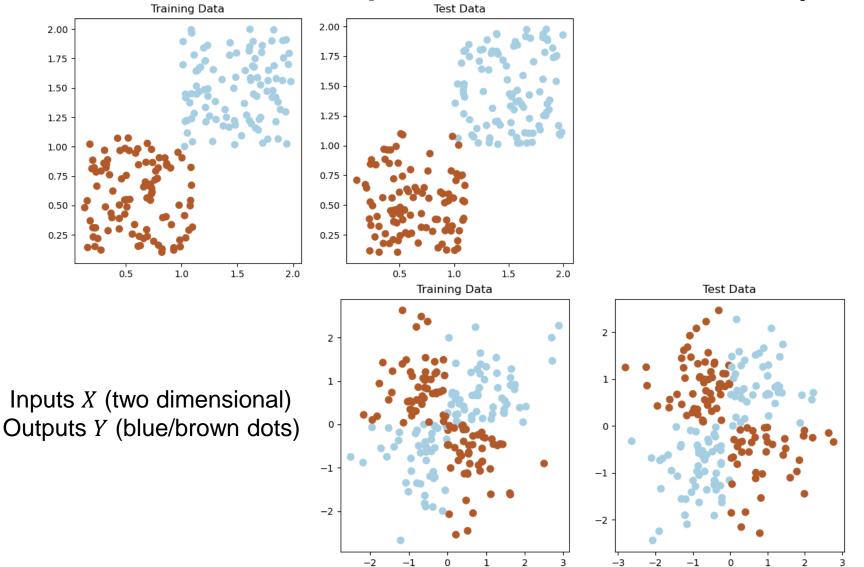


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Example Toy Data:

Continuous Inputs, Discrete Output



Naïve Bayes for Continuous Inputs

• Naïve Bayes treats inputs X_i as univariate Gaussian distributions, which need estimates of their means

$$\hat{\mu}_{ik} = \frac{1}{\sum_{j} \delta(Y^{j} = y_{k})} \sum_{j} X_{i}^{j} \delta(Y^{j} = y_{k})$$

and variances (or standard deviations $\hat{\sigma} = \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}^2}$)

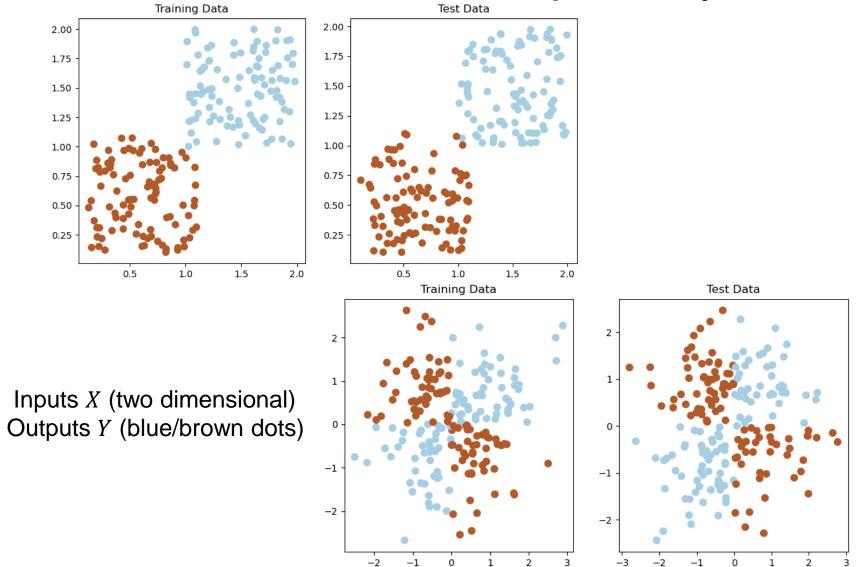
$$\hat{\sigma}_{ik}^2 = \frac{1}{\sum_j \delta(Y^j = y_k)} \sum_j \left(X_i^j - \hat{\mu}_{ik}\right)^2 \delta(Y^j = y_k)$$

where
$$\delta(Y^j = y_k) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } Y = y_k \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Indexes:

i refers to random vars.,j to the training example,k to the label

How Many Means and Variances are Needed for the Example Toy Data?



Example: Estimated Means

$$\hat{\mu}_{i=1,k=1} = \frac{1}{\sum_{j} \delta(Y^{j} = blue)} \sum_{j} X^{j}_{i=1} \delta(Y^{j} = blue)$$

$$\hat{\mu}_{i=1,k=2} = \frac{1}{\sum_{j} \delta(Y^{j} = brown)} \sum_{j} X^{j}_{i=1} \delta(Y^{j} = brown)$$

$$\hat{\mu}_{i=2,k=1} = \frac{1}{\sum_{j} \delta(Y^{j} = blue)} \sum_{j} X^{j}_{i=2} \delta(Y^{j} = blue)$$

$$\hat{\mu}_{i=2,k=2} = \frac{1}{\sum_{j} \delta(Y^{j} = brown)} \sum_{j} X^{j}_{i=2} \delta(Y^{j} = brown)$$

Indexes: *i* refers to the attribute, *j* to the training example, and *k* to the label

Example: Estimated Variances

$$\hat{\sigma}^{2}{}_{i=1,k=1} = \frac{1}{\sum_{j} \delta(Y^{j} = blue)} \sum_{j} \left(X^{j}_{i=1} - \hat{\mu}_{i=1,k=1}\right)^{2} \delta(Y^{j} = blue)$$

$$\hat{\sigma}^{2}{}_{i=1,k=2} = \frac{1}{\sum_{j} \delta(Y^{j} = brown)} \sum_{j} \left(X^{j}_{i=1} - \hat{\mu}_{i=1,k=1}\right)^{2} \delta(Y^{j} = brown)$$

$$\hat{\sigma}^{2}{}_{i=2,k=1} = \frac{1}{\sum_{j} \delta(Y^{j} = blue)} \sum_{j} \left(X^{j}_{i=2} - \hat{\mu}_{i=2,k=1}\right)^{2} \delta(Y^{j} = blue)$$

$$\hat{\sigma}^{2}{}_{i=2,k=2} = \frac{1}{\sum_{j} \delta(Y^{j} = brown)} \sum_{j} \left(X^{j}_{i=2} - \hat{\mu}_{i=2,k=2}\right)^{2} \delta(Y^{j} = brown)$$

Indexes: i refers to the attribute, j to the training example, and k to the label

Parameters Obtained from Linearly Separable Toy Data

Random variable x1:

- means={blue: 1.4880285120376353, brown: 0.6018161084614317}
- stdevs={blue: 0.2980038747620599, brown: 0.27387531964532413}

Random variable x2:

- means={blue: 1.4913689650292377, brown: 0.572709964826371}
- stdevs={blue: 0.2730570493700515, brown: 0.28488876261616036}

Parameters Obtained from Non-Linearly Separable Toy Data

Random variable x1:

- means={blue: 0.2093539918826224, brown: -0.06656516239410423}
- stdevs={blue: 1.0845128893988942, brown: 0.8893233311625468}

Random variable x2:

- means={blue: 0.06485499926493453, brown: 0.08050378767438247}
- stdevs={blue: 0.9896523189548784, brown: 1.0424180718504554}

Example: Probabilistic Inference

$$P(Y|X) = \langle P(y = blue)P(X_{i=1}|y = blue)P(X_{i=2}|y = blue),$$

$$P(y = brown)P(X_{i=1}|y = brown)P(X_{i=2}|y = brown) >$$

$$P(X_{i=1}|y = blue) = \frac{1}{\hat{\sigma}_{i=1,k=1}\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{X_1 - \mu_{i=1,k=1}}{\hat{\sigma}_{i=1,k=1}}\right)^2}$$

$$P(X_{i=1}|y = brown) = \frac{1}{\hat{\sigma}_{i=1,k=2}\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{X_1 - \mu_{i=1,k=2}}{\hat{\sigma}_{i=1,k=2}}\right)^2}$$

$$P(X_{i=2}|y = blue) = \frac{1}{\hat{\sigma}_{i=2,k=1}\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{X_2 - \mu_{i=2,k=1}}{\hat{\sigma}_{i=2,k=1}}\right)^2}$$

$$P(X_{i=2}|y = brown) = \frac{1}{\hat{\sigma}_{i=2,k=2}\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{X_2 - \mu_{i=2,k=2}}{\hat{\sigma}_{i=2,k=2}}\right)^2}$$
Note that σ =

Example: Probabilistic Inference

$$Y = \underset{y_k}{\operatorname{argmax}} P(Y = y_k) \prod_{i} P(X_i | Y = y_k)$$

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$$P(y = brown)P(X_{i=1}|y = brown)P(X_{i=2}|y = brown) >$$

$$P(y = blue) = 0.5$$

$$P(y = brown) = 0.5$$

$$P(X_{i=1}|y = blue) = \mathcal{N}(x_1; \mu_{i=1,k=1}, \hat{\sigma}_{i=1,k=1})$$

$$P(X_{i=1}|y = brown) = \mathcal{N}(x_1; \mu_{i=1,k=2}, \hat{\sigma}_{i=1,k=2})$$

$$P(X_{i=2}|y = blue) = \mathcal{N}(x_2; \mu_{i=2,k=1}, \hat{\sigma}_{i=2,k=1})$$

$$P(X_{i=2}|y = brown) = \mathcal{N}(x_2; \mu_{i=2,k=2}, \hat{\sigma}_{i=2,k=2})$$

Example w/Linearly Separable Data

```
For X = [1.392, 1.932] and ground truth y = blue we have P(y = blue) = 0.5
P(y = brown) = 0.5
P(X_{i=1}|y = blue) = \mathcal{N}(1.3292; 1.4880, 0.2980) = 1.16153
P(X_{i=1}|y = brown) = \mathcal{N}(1.3292; 0.6018, 0.2738) = 0.04274
P(X_{i=2}|y = blue) = \mathcal{N}(1.932; 1.4913, 0.2730) = 0.39708
P(X_{i=2}|y = brown) = \mathcal{N}(1.932; 0.5727, 0.2848) = 0.00014
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Example w/Non-Linearly Separable Data

```
For X = [1.392, -1.932] and ground truth y = brown we have P(y = blue) = 0.505
P(y = brown) = 0.495
P(X_{i=1}|y = blue) = \mathcal{N}(1.3292; 0.2093, 1.0845) = 0.21583
P(X_{i=1}|y = brown) = \mathcal{N}(1.3292; -0.0665, 0.8893) = 0.13091
P(X_{i=2}|y = blue) = \mathcal{N}(-1.932; 0.0648, 0.9896) = 0.05264
P(X_{i=2}|y = brown) = \mathcal{N}(-1.932; 0.0805, 1.0424) = 0.05935
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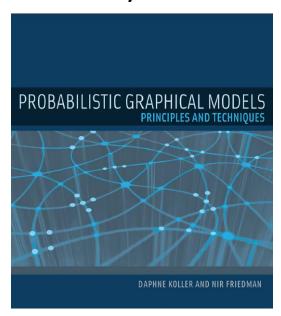
Gaussian Bayesian Networks (GBNs): assumptions

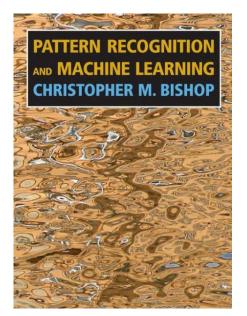
- GBNs also use directed acyclic graphs (DAGs), where every node follows a Gaussian distribution.
- Nodes without parents are described by their respective univariate Gaussian distribution.
- Nodes with parents can be expressed as a Linear-Gaussian models (a.k.a. linear Gaussians)—instead of multivariate Gaussians—for increased scalability.
- Each node has a variance that is specific to that node, which does not depend on the values of the parents.

Equivalence Between Linear and Multivariate Gaussians

We will skip the demonstration of this equivalence in order to focus **linear Gaussians this week** and Multivariate Gaussians in the following lecture/workshop. But here some pointers for those inquisitive on this topic.

7.2 Gaussian Bayesian Networks 8.1.4 Linear-Gaussian models





Break



Linear Gaussian Models

• Let Y be a continuous random variable with continuous parents $X_1, ..., X_k$. A linear Gaussian can be defined as

$$P(Y|pa(Y)) = N(\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \beta_k X_k; \sigma^2)$$

• This can also be viewed as Y being a linear function of variables X_1, \dots, X_k with the addition of a Gaussian random variable ϵ (with mean 0 and variance σ^2)

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \beta_k X_k + \epsilon$$

where β_i =coefficients and ϵ =the noise in the system.

Example GBN: Crop Analysis

Univariate Gaussians $E \sim N (50, 10^2)$ $G \sim N(50, 10^2)$ Environmental Genetic Potential (E) Potential (G) **Linear Gaussians** $V \mid G, E \sim$ Vegetative N(-10.35534 + 0.5GOrgans (V) $+0.7711E, 5^2$ Seeds Mean Number of Weight (W) Seeds (N) N | V \sim W V ~ N(45+0.1V,N(15+0.7V, 9.949874^2 7.141428^2 Crop (C) Example network from Scutari & $C \mid N, W \sim N (0.3N + 0.3W, 6.25^2)$ Denis, Bayesian Networks with

Examples in R, 2022. Chapter 2.

Example GBN: Probabilistic Representation

Probability distributions:

$$egin{aligned} G &\sim N(50,\,10^2) \ E &\sim N(50,\,10^2) \
m{V} ig| G = g,\, E = e \sim N(-10.35534 + 0.5g + 0.70711e,\, 5^2) \
m{N} ig| V = v \sim N(45 + 0.1v,\, 9.949874^2) \
m{W} ig| V = v \sim N(15 + 07v,\, 7.141428^2) \
m{C} ig| N = n,\, W = w \sim N(0.3n + 0.7w,\, 6.25^2) \end{aligned}$$

Joint probability distribution:

```
f(G, E, V, N, W, C)
= f(G)f(E)f(V|G, E)f(N|V)f(W|V)f(C|N, W)
```

Parameter Estimation in GBNs

- Estimating means and standard deviations of univariate Gaussians can be done as in Gaussian Naïve Bayes
- Estimating the means of linear Gaussians can be done using regression methods such as RIDGE or LASSO. They have the form $C \sim \mu_C + N \beta_N + W B_W$

$$\{\widehat{eta}_{ ext{N}}^{ ext{RIDGE}}, \widehat{eta}_{ ext{W}}^{ ext{RIDGE}}\} = \operatorname*{argmin}_{eta_{ ext{N}},eta_{ ext{W}}} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_{i, ext{C}} - \mu_{ ext{C}} - x_{i, ext{N}}eta_{ ext{N}} - x_{i, ext{W}}eta_{ ext{W}})^2 + \lambda_2 (eta_{ ext{N}}^2 + eta_{ ext{W}}^2)
ight\} \ = \left\{ \widehat{eta}_{ ext{N}}^{ ext{LASSO}}, \widehat{eta}_{ ext{W}}^{ ext{LASSO}}
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Note: we will use libraries to train regressors and focus on their application to Bayes nets.

But Continuous Data can be Non-Linear

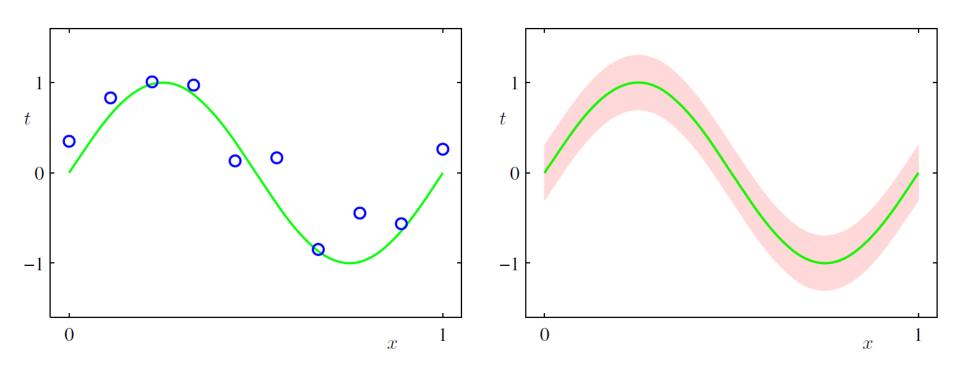


Figure A.6 The left-hand plot shows the synthetic regression data set along with the underlying sinusoidal function from which the data points were generated. The right-hand plot shows the true conditional distribution p(t|x) from which the labels are generated, in which the green curve denotes the mean, and the shaded region spans one standard deviation on each side of the mean.

Linear vs. Non-Linear Gaussians

Since linear Gaussian models predict mean values via regression, they can also be predicted via non-linear regression using the kernel trick for example.

Thus,

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_0 X_2 + \beta_k X_k + \epsilon$$

This term can be estimated via linear (e.g., Ridge, Lasso) or non-linear regression (e.g., KernelRidge, Gaussian Processes).

Linear Gaussians via the Kernel Trick

Apply a feature transformation $\phi(.)$ to a higher-dimensional space instead of using the raw features:

$$C \sim \mu_C + \phi(N)\beta_N + \phi(W)B_W$$

With the kernel trick we get

$$C \sim \mu_C + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_{N_i} K(N_i, N_j) + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \alpha_{W_j} K(W_j, W_k),$$

$$\text{dual kernel between coefficients training points coefficients training points}$$

where K(.) is a kernel function such as the RBF kernel

$$K(N_i, N_j) = \exp\left(\frac{(N_i - N_j)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$
 – not the only choice.

Note: we will use libraries to do this type of regression.

number of data points

Linear vs. Non-Linear Gaussians

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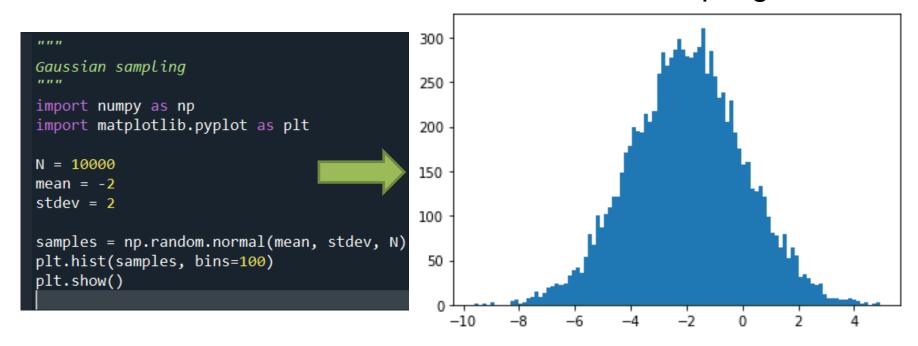
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This term can be estimated via linear (such as Ridge, Lasso) or non-linear regression (e.g., KernelRidge).

Question: What method would you use?

Probabilistic Inference in GBNs

- We can use the exact inference methods discussed in week 2 (inference by enumeration, variable elimination).
- We can also use the approximate inference methods discussed in week 4, but with Gaussian sampling.



Gaussian Sampling

```
import numpy as np
                                                                           (env_bnlearn) C:\Lincoln\slides\CMP9794M-2024
                                                                           i=0 sample=-0.5086842775645648
      def sample gaussian(mu, sigma):
                                                                           i=1 sample=-1.3765755305451781
                                                                           i=2 sample=-1.8747472558808422
          U1 = np.random.uniform(0, 1)
                                                                           i=3 sample=-1.0744164842867228
          U2 = np.random.uniform(0, 1)
                                                                           i=4 sample=1.6329411890404422
                                                                           i=5 sample=-2.2907599731966988
                                                                           i=6 sample=-4.472581014008463
          # Box-Muller Transform
                                                                           i=7 sample=-2.14901494696537
          Z0 = np.sqrt(-2 * np.log(U1)) * np.cos(2 * np.pi * U2)
                                                                           i=8 sample=-3.9807721812559898
                                                                           i=9 sample=-2.737736556033249
                                                                           i=10 sample=-4.454112149154593
          return mu + sigma * Z0
                                                                           i=11 sample=-0.2050385611589336
11
                                                                           i=12 sample=0.7635076144899493
                                                                           i=13 sample=-3.5282382317028977
      mean=-2
12
                                                                           i=14 sample=0.7171743317224775
      stdev=2
                                                                           i=15 sample=-3.645851716031013
      N=30
14
                                                                           i=16 sample=-1.5203589365710706
                                                                           i=17 sample=-6.352957829000616
      samples = []
15
                                                                           i=18 sample=-4.895477764937984
      for i in range(0, N):
                                                                           i=19 sample=-3.630964708587826
          sample = sample gaussian(mean, stdev)
17
                                                                           i=20 sample=1.597530815181797
                                                                           i=21 sample=-2.8583258544912464
          print("i=%s sample=%s" % (i, sample))
                                                                           i=22 sample=-1.732193209644164
          samples.append(sample)
                                                                           i=23 sample=-0.209195973400492
                                                                           i=24 sample=-2.5064337605530795
                                                                           i=25 sample=-0.7747456640746142
      sampled mean = np.mean(samples)
21
                                                                           i=26 sample=-6.81811852317821
      print("sampled mean=",sampled mean)
22
                                                                           i=27 sample=-0.11344622220511891
                                                                           i=28 sample=-1.268033592557991
                                                                           i=29 sample=-7.268091408767925
                                                                           sampled_mean= -2.251190612510673
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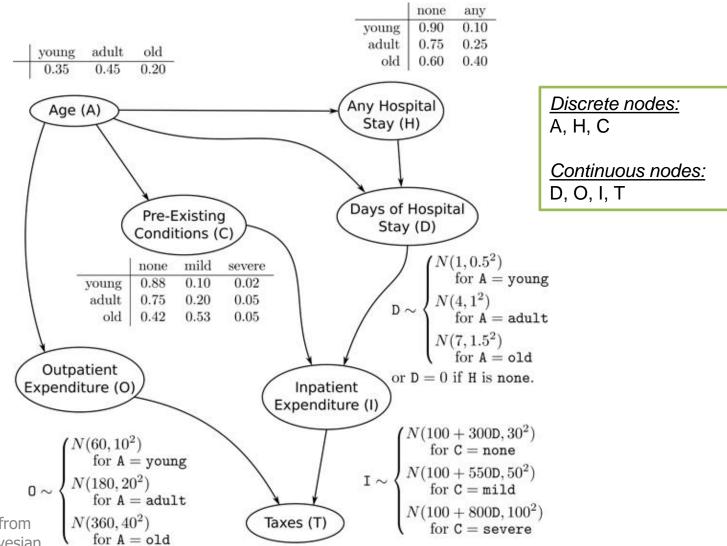
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Conditional Gaussian Bayesian Networks (CGBNs): assumptions

- CGBNs (a.k.a. <u>hybrid Bayesian networks</u>) have both discrete and continuous variables/nodes
- Whilst discrete nodes follow multinomial distributions, continuous nodes follow Gaussian distributions.
- Continuous nodes with discrete parent(s) follow a mixture of Gaussian distributions (w/separate mean & variance ≡ independent set of parameters).
- Continuous nodes can have discrete/continuous parents, but discrete nodes can only have discrete parents.

Example CGBN: Healthcare Costs



Example network from Scutari & Denis, Bayesian Networks with Examples in R, 2022. Chapter 3.

 $T \sim N(120 + 1.02I + 1.050, 10^2)$

Example CGBN: Probabilistic Representation

- Discrete nodes use Conditional Probability Tables (CPTs)
- Continuous nodes with discrete and continuous parents use a mixture of linear Gaussians such as

$$f(D|A, H) \sim \begin{cases} N(1,0.5^2), \text{ for } A = \text{young, H} = \text{none} \\ N(4,1.0^2), \text{ for } A = \text{adult, H} = \text{none} \\ N(7,1.5^2), \text{ for } A = \text{old, H} = \text{none} \end{cases}$$

$$f(O|A) \sim \begin{cases} N(60,10^2), \text{ for } C = \text{none} \\ N(180,20^2), \text{ for } C = \text{mild} \\ N(350,40^2), \text{ for } C = \text{severe} \end{cases}$$

• Linear Gaussian for continuous node w/continuous parents $f(T|O,I) \sim N(120 + 1.02I + 1.05O, 10^2)$

Parameter Estimation and Probabilistic inference in CGBNs

- Estimating conditional probability tables (CPTs) can be done using MLE as discussed in weeks 1 and 2.
- Estimating the means of Gaussians can be done via linear Gaussians, estimating variances is rather trivial.
- Inducing linear Gaussians can be done via regression methods such as RIDGE, LASSO, KernelRidge,
- The methods discussed in weeks 2 and 4 can be used to do probabilistic inference with
 - Random sampling for discrete random variables, and
 - Gaussian sampling for continuous random variables.

Ideas for your Assignment (optional)

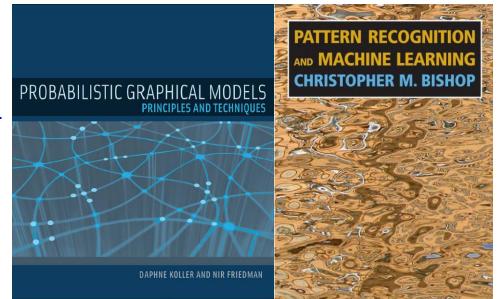
- 1. Compare different regressors for training GBNs with continuous inputs (look at PDF_Generator.py and ModelEvaluator.py) using learnt structures.
- 2. Compare discrete versus Gaussian Bayes nets—you have materials for a systematic analysis.
- Implement approximate inference for GBNs using the algorithms covered in week 4. This functionality is not included in the module's code.

Today

Probabilistic reasoning with Gaussian Naïve Bayes, Gaussian Bayesian Networks (GBNs), and Conditional GBNs (hybrid Gaussian Bayes nets).

Readings:

Koller & Friedman 2009. Section 7.2 Bishop. C. 2006. Section 8.1.4



This and Next Week

Workshop (today):

Code for Gaussian Bayes nets applied to different datasets with continuous inputs & discrete outputs.

No lecture or workshop next week!!!

It is reading week, to catch up with your materials.

Lecture the week after next (w/c 28 Oct 2024): Gaussian Processes

Any other questions?