

Exercise: Variational EM for binary FA with sigmoid link

Consider the binary FA model:

$$p(\mathbf{x}_i | \mathbf{z}_i, \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \prod_{j=1}^D \text{Ber}(x_{ij} | \sigma(\mathbf{w}_j^T \mathbf{z}_i + \beta_j)) = \prod_{j=1}^D \text{Ber}(x_{ij} | \sigma(\eta_{ij})) \quad (1)$$

$$\boldsymbol{\eta}_i = \tilde{\mathbf{W}} \tilde{\mathbf{z}}_i \quad (2)$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{z}}_i \triangleq (\mathbf{z}_i; 1) \quad (3)$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{W}} \triangleq (\mathbf{W}, \boldsymbol{\beta}) \quad (4)$$

$$p(\mathbf{z}_i) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I}) \quad (5)$$

Derive an EM algorithm to fit this model, using the Jaakkola-Jordan bound to the logistic function

$$\sigma(x) \geq \sigma(\xi) \exp \left[(x - \xi)/2 - \lambda(\xi)(x^2 - \xi^2) \right] \quad (6)$$

where ξ is a variational parameter.