Approximation: from Discrete to Continuous

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0)GOAL:

$$\begin{split} & \text{(Marginalize } \theta \text{ and Search over z:)} \\ & \text{Maximize log Probability } L = logp(x,z|\lambda) \\ &= \\ & \text{(t-term)} \underbrace{\sum_{j=1}^{J} \{log\frac{\Gamma(\alpha)}{\Gamma(n_{j..}+\alpha)} + \sum_{t=1}^{m_{j}} [log(\Gamma(n_{jt.}) + log\alpha]\}}_{+(\text{k-term})log\frac{\Gamma(\gamma)}{\Gamma(m_{..}+\gamma)} + \sum_{k=1}^{K} [log(\frac{\Pi_{w=1}^{W}\Gamma(\lambda_{0}+n_{..k}^{w})}{\Gamma(n_{..k}+W\lambda_{0})}) + log(\frac{\Gamma(W\lambda_{0})}{\Gamma(\lambda_{0})^{W}}) + \underline{log}(\Gamma(m_{.k}) + log\gamma]} \end{split}$$

1) $log(\Gamma(x))$ approximation:

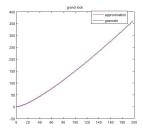
Stirling Appoximation: $\Gamma(n+1) = n! \approx \sim \sqrt{2\pi n} \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n$

a) L
$$\rightarrow L_{decom-res}$$

 $L_{decom-res}(j_0, n_{j_0.k}^w)$

$$= (\text{t-term}) \textstyle\sum_{k=1}^{\mathbf{K}} [(1 - \delta(\sum_{\mathbf{w}} \mathbf{n}_{\mathbf{j_0.k}}^{\mathbf{w}})) log(\Gamma(\sum_{\mathbf{w}} \mathbf{n}_{\mathbf{j_0.k}}^{\mathbf{w}})] + \sum_{\mathbf{k}} (\mathbf{1} - \delta(\sum_{\mathbf{w}} \mathbf{n}_{\mathbf{j_0.k}}^{\mathbf{w}}) log\alpha}$$

$$+ (\text{k-term}) log \frac{1}{\Gamma(m'_{..} + \mathbf{m_{j_0.}} + \gamma)} + \sum_{k=1}^{\mathbf{K}} [(1 - \delta(\mathbf{n_{j_0.k}})) log (\frac{\Pi_{w=1}^W \Gamma(\lambda_0 + n'_{..k} + \mathbf{n_{j_0.k}})}{\Gamma(n'_{..k} + \mathbf{n_{j_0.k}} + W\lambda_0)}) + log (\frac{\Gamma(W\lambda_0)}{\Gamma(\lambda_0)W}) + log (\Gamma(m'_{.k} + \mathbf{m_{j_0k}}) + log (\Gamma(m'_{.k} + \mathbf{m_{j_0k}}) + U(\mathbf{n_{j_0k}})) + U(\mathbf{n_{j_0k}}) + U$$



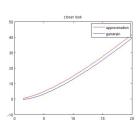


Figure 1: left: Grand view; right: look closely