



# **Topic Models**

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#### **Learning the Hidden Space**

- Two major tools:
  - Gibbs Sampling: Easier to implement, easier to understand
  - Variational Inference: faster, harder to implement
- Variational shows the connections to "deep" models better, so it's the focus
- However, would be injustice to not at least discuss Gibbs sampling

#### **Outline**

1 Inference

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$$p(\boldsymbol{w}, \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\beta} | \alpha, \lambda) = \prod_{k} p(\beta_{k} | \lambda) \prod_{d} p(\theta_{d} | \alpha) \prod_{n} p(z_{d,n} | \theta_{d}) p(w_{d,n} | \beta_{z_{d,n}})$$

- A form of Markov Chain Monte Carlo
- Chain is a sequence of random variable states
- Given a state  $\{z_1,\ldots z_N\}$  given certain technical conditions, drawing  $z_k \sim p(z_1,\ldots z_{k-1},z_{k+1},\ldots z_N|X,\Theta)$  for all k (repeatedly) results in a Markov Chain whose stationary distribution *is* the posterior.
- ullet For notational convenience, call z with  $z_{d,n}$  removed  $z_{-d,n}$

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- The topics and per-document topic proportions are integrated out / marginalized
- Let  $n_{d,i}$  be the number of words taking topic i in document d. Let  $v_{k,w}$  be the number of times word w is used in topic k.

$$=\frac{\int_{\theta_d} \left(\prod_{i\neq k} \theta_d^{\alpha_i+n_{d,i}-1}\right) \theta_d^{\alpha_k+n_{d,i}} d\,\theta_d \int_{\beta_k} \left(\prod_{i\neq w_{d,n}} \beta_{k,i}^{\lambda_i+v_{k,i}-1}\right) \beta_{k,w_{d,n}}^{\lambda_i+v_{k,i}} d\,\beta_k}{\int_{\theta_d} \left(\prod_i \theta_d^{\alpha_i+n_{d,i}-1}\right) d\,\theta_d \int_{\beta_k} \left(\prod_i \beta_{k,i}^{\lambda_i+v_{k,i}-1}\right) d\,\beta_k}$$

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So we can simplify

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## **Gamma Function Identity**

$$z = \frac{\Gamma(z+1)}{\Gamma(z)} \tag{3}$$

$$\frac{\frac{\Gamma(\alpha_{k}+n_{d,k}+1)}{\Gamma(\sum_{i}^{K}\alpha_{i}+n_{d,i}+1)}\prod_{i\neq k}^{K}\Gamma(\alpha_{k}+n_{d,k})}{\frac{\prod_{i\neq k}^{K}\Gamma(\alpha_{i}+n_{d,i})}{\Gamma(\sum_{i}^{K}\alpha_{i}+n_{d,i})}} \frac{\frac{\Gamma(\lambda_{w_{d,n}}+\nu_{k,w_{d,n}}+1)}{\Gamma(\sum_{i}^{V}\lambda_{i}+\nu_{k,i}+1)}\prod_{i\neq w_{d,n}}^{V}\Gamma(\lambda_{k}+\nu_{k,w_{d,n}})}{\frac{\prod_{i}^{V}\Gamma(\lambda_{i}+\nu_{k,i})}{\Gamma(\sum_{i}^{V}\lambda_{i}+\nu_{k,i})}}$$

$$=\frac{n_{d,k}+\alpha_{k}}{\sum_{i}^{K}n_{d,i}+\alpha_{i}}\frac{\nu_{k,w_{d,n}}+\lambda_{w_{d,n}}}{\sum_{i}^{V}\nu_{k,i}+\lambda_{i}}$$



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(4)

- Number of times document d uses topic k
- Number of times topic k uses word type  $w_{d,n}$
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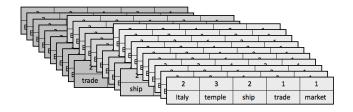


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		Etruscan			1		0	35
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		trade	9		10		8	1

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#### Decrement its count

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	1	2	3
Etruscan	1	0	35
market	50	0	1
price	42	1	0
temple	0	0	20
trade	10	7	1
		1	

## What is the conditional distribution for this topic?

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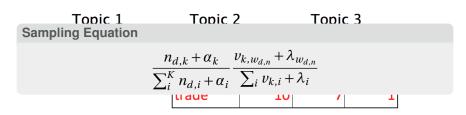
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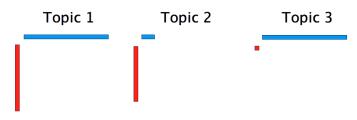
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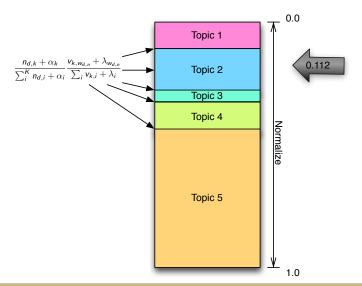
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#### Details: how to sample from a distribution



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#### Desiderata

- Hyperparameters: Sample them too (slice sampling)
- Initialization: Random
- Sampling: Until likelihood converges
- Lag / burn-in: Difference of opinion on this
- Number of chains: Should do more than one

#### **Available implementations**

- Mallet (http://mallet.cs.umass.edu)
- LDAC (http://www.cs.princeton.edu/ blei/lda-c)
- Topicmod (http://code.google.com/p/topicmod)

Inference