

Machine Learning 2 - Homework Week 2

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Problem 3

3.1

$$p(x) = \mathcal{N}(x|\mu, \Sigma) \Leftrightarrow x \sim \mathcal{N}(x|\mu, \Sigma) \quad (1)$$

$$q(x) = \mathcal{N}(x|m, L) \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{KL}(p \parallel q) &= - \int p(x) \ln \frac{q(x)}{p(x)} dx \\
&= - \int p(x) \left[\ln q(x) - \ln p(x) \right] dx \\
&= - \int p(x) \ln q(x) dx + \int p(x) \ln p(x) dx \\
&= - \int p(x) \ln \left[\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2} |L|^{1/2}} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} (x-m)^T L^{-1} (x-m) \right) \right] dx \\
&\quad + \int p(x) \ln \left[\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} (x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x-\mu) \right) \right] dx \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{|L|}{|\Sigma|} \underbrace{\int p(x) dx}_{=1} + \frac{1}{2} \int (x-m)^T L^{-1} (x-m) p(x) dx \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{2} \int (x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x-\mu) p(x) dx
\end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

From the law of unconscious statistician we have:

$$\mathcal{KL}(p \parallel q) = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{|L|}{|\Sigma|} + \frac{1}{2} E[(x-m)^T L^{-1} (x-m)] - \frac{1}{2} E[(x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x-\mu)] \tag{4}$$

Applying Matrix Cookbook (380):

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{KL}(p \parallel q) &= \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{|L|}{|\Sigma|} + \frac{1}{2} \left[(\mu-m)^T L^{-1} (\mu-m) + \text{Tr}(L^{-1} \Sigma) \right] \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{2} \left[(\mu-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (\mu-\mu) + \text{Tr}(\Sigma^{-1} \Sigma) \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{|L|}{|\Sigma|} + \frac{1}{2} (\mu-m)^T L^{-1} (\mu-m) + \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}(L^{-1} \Sigma) - \frac{1}{2} D
\end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

3.2

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{H}(x) &= - \int p(x) \ln p(x) dx \\
&= - \int \ln \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp \left(- \frac{1}{2} (x - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu) \right) p(x) dx \\
&= - \int \left[\frac{D}{2} \ln(2\pi) + \frac{1}{2} \ln |\Sigma| + \frac{1}{2} (x - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu) \right] p(x) dx \\
&= \frac{D}{2} \ln(2\pi) + \frac{1}{2} \ln |\Sigma| + \frac{1}{2} E[(x - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu)]
\end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

Applying Matrix Cookbook (380):

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{H}(x) &= \frac{D}{2} \ln(2\pi) + \frac{1}{2} \ln |\Sigma| + \frac{1}{2} (\mu - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (\mu - \mu) + \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}(\Sigma^{-1} \Sigma) \\
&= \frac{D}{2} \ln(2\pi) + \frac{1}{2} \ln |\Sigma| + \frac{1}{2} D
\end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

Problem 4

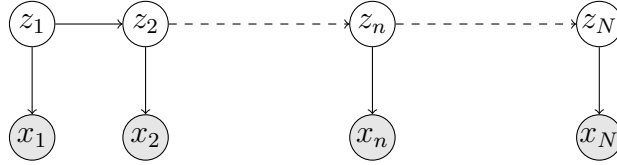


Figure 1: Markov chain of latent variables.

1. The arrows on the path from $z_{n-1} \rightarrow z_n \rightarrow x_n$ meet head-to-tail $\Rightarrow x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}$ are d-separated from x_n given $z_n \Rightarrow x_n \perp\!\!\!\perp x_1, \dots, x_{n-1} | z_n$.
Consequently: $p(x_1, \dots, x_{n-1} | x_n, z_n) = p(x_1, \dots, x_{n-1} | z_n)$ q.e.d.
2. Again head-to-tail path $z_{n-2} \rightarrow z_{n-1} \rightarrow z_n \rightarrow z_n \perp\!\!\!\perp x_1, \dots, x_{n-1} | z_{n-1}$.
Consequently: $p(x_1, \dots, x_{n-1} | z_{n-1}, z_n) = p(x_1, \dots, x_{n-1} | z_{n-1})$ q.e.d.
3. Head-to-tail path $z_n \rightarrow z_{n+1} \dots \rightarrow x_{n+k}$ where $k \geq 1$. Consequently, $z_n \perp\!\!\!\perp x_{n+1}, \dots, x_N | z_{n+1}$ and $p(x_{n+1}, \dots, x_N | z_n, z_{n+1}) = p(x_{n+1}, \dots, x_N | z_{n+1})$ q.e.d.
4. Head-to-tail path $x_k \dots \rightarrow z_N \rightarrow z_{N+1}$ where $k \geq 1$. Consequently $z_{N+1} \perp\!\!\!\perp \mathbf{X} | z_N$ and $p(z_{N+1} | z_N, \mathbf{X}) = p(z_{N+1} | z_N)$ where $\mathbf{X} = \{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$ q.e.d.

Problem 5

5.1

Let z_1, \dots, z_N be common parents of nodes X and Y and the edge $\{X, Y\}$ be a covered edge. To prove that after reversing the edge $\{X, Y\}$ all independent relations stay the same we have to prove that all conditional independence will be the same given X or Y .

1. Let K_i and K_j be some descendant of X .
 - $z_k \rightarrow X \rightarrow K_i$ forms a head-to-tail path and will stay the same after reversing (is blocked given X).
 - $K_i \leftarrow X \rightarrow Y$ forms tail-to-tail path and will become head-to-tail relation (that are blocked given X in both cases).
 - $K_i \leftarrow X \rightarrow K_j$ forms tail-to-tail path and will remain unchanged after reversing $\{X, Y\}$.
2. We are considering descendants of Y in the same way:
 - $z_k \rightarrow Y \rightarrow K_i$ remains blocked given X .
 - $X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow K_i$ is head-to-tail path and will become tail-to-tail after reversing and remains blocked given X .
 - $K_i \leftarrow Y \rightarrow K_j$ is tail-to-tail path and will remain unchanged after reversing $\{X, Y\}$.

Consequently \mathcal{G} and \mathcal{G}' encode the same set of independent relations q.e.d.

5.2

Counterexample can be a graph $z \rightarrow y \leftarrow x$, where $z \not\perp\!\!\!\perp x|y$ (Bishop 8.29). After reversing the edge we get a graph $z \rightarrow y \rightarrow x$ that makes $z \perp\!\!\!\perp x|y$ (according to the d-separation criteria).