

MACHINE LEARNING

HOMEWORK 2

1. Proof that:

a) Gaussian distribution is normalized

$$P(x|\mu, \sigma^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

We have show that: $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}x^2\right)dx = \sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}$

Let:

$$I = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}x^2\right)dx$$

$$\Rightarrow I^2 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}x^2 - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2}y^2\right)dx dy \quad (1)$$

To integrate this expression we make the transformation from Cartesian coordinates (x, y) to polar coordinates (r, θ) , which is defined by:

$$x = r \cdot \cos \theta$$

$$y = r \cdot \sin \theta$$

$$\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1, \text{ we have } x^2 + y^2 = r^2$$

Also the Jacobian of the change of variables is given by,

$$\frac{\partial(x,y)}{\partial(r,\theta)} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \cos \theta & -r \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & r \cos \theta \end{vmatrix} = r \cdot \cos^2 \theta + r \sin^2 \theta = r$$

Thus equation (1) can be written as:

$$I^2 = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) r \cdot dr \cdot d\theta$$

$$= 2\pi \int_0^{\infty} \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) r \cdot dr$$

$$\text{Let: } r^2 = u$$

$$\Rightarrow 2r \cdot dr = du$$

$$\Rightarrow r dr = \frac{1}{2} du$$

$$= 2\pi \int_0^{\infty} \exp\left(-\frac{u}{2\sigma^2}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{2} du$$

$$= \pi \left[\exp\left(-\frac{u}{2\sigma^2}\right) \cdot (-2\sigma^2) \right]_0^{\infty}$$

$$= 2\pi\sigma^2$$

$$\Rightarrow I = \sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}$$

Finally to prove that $N(x|\mu, \sigma^2)$ is normalized, we make the transformation

$y = x - \mu$ so that,

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} N(x|\mu, \sigma^2) dx = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) dy$$

$$= \frac{I}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} = 1$$

b) Expectation of Gaussian distribution is μ (mean)

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

From the definition of the expected value of a continuous random variable:

$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx$$

So:

$$E(X) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \exp\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

$$\text{let: } \frac{x-\mu}{\sqrt{2}\sigma} = t \quad \Rightarrow \quad x = \sqrt{2}\sigma t + \mu$$

$$= \frac{\sigma\sqrt{2}}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\sqrt{2}\sigma t + \mu) \exp(-t^2) dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cdot \left(\sqrt{2}\sigma \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t \cdot \exp(-t^2) dt + \mu \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(-t^2) dt \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cdot \left(\sqrt{2}\sigma \left[-\frac{1}{2} \exp(-t^2) \right]_{-\infty}^{\infty} + \mu\sqrt{\pi} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\mu\sqrt{\pi}}{\sqrt{\pi}}$$

$$= \mu$$

c) Variance of Gaussian distribution is σ^2 (variance)

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

From Variance as Expectation of Square minus Square of Expectation:

$$V(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f_X(x) dx - [E(X)]^2$$

So:

$$V(X) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) dx - \mu^2$$

$$= \frac{\sigma\sqrt{2}}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\sqrt{2}\sigma t + \mu)^2 \exp(-t^2) dt - \mu^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cdot \left(2\sigma^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t^2 \cdot \exp(-t^2) dt + 2\sqrt{2}\sigma\mu \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t \cdot \exp(-t^2) dt + \mu^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(-t^2) dt \right) - \mu^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cdot \left(2\sigma^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t^2 \cdot \exp(-t^2) dt + 2\sqrt{2}\sigma\mu \left[-\frac{1}{2} \exp(-t^2) \right]_{-\infty}^{\infty} + \mu^2\sqrt{\pi} \right) - \mu^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(2\sigma^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t^2 \exp(-t^2) dt + 2\sqrt{2}\sigma\mu \cdot 0 \right) + \mu^2 - \mu^2$$

$$= \frac{2\sigma^2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t^2 \exp(t^2) dt$$

$$= \frac{2\sigma^2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\left[-\frac{t}{2} \exp(-t^2) \right]_{-\infty}^{\infty} + \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(-t^2) dt \right)$$

$$= \frac{2\sigma^2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(-t^2) dt$$

$$= \frac{2\sigma^2\sqrt{\pi}}{2\sqrt{\pi}}$$

$$= \sigma^2$$

d) Multivariate Gaussian distribution is normalized

$$P(x|\mu, \Sigma) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} |\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x-\mu)\right) \quad (\mu \in \mathbb{R}^n)$$

$$\text{Set: } \Delta^2 = (x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x-\mu) = -\frac{1}{2}x^T \Sigma^{-1}x + x^T \Sigma^{-1}\mu + \text{const}$$

Consider eigenvalues and eigenvectors of Σ

$$\sum u_i = \lambda_i u_i \quad , \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$$

Because Σ is a real, symmetric matrix, its eigenvalues will be real and its eigenvectors form an orthonormal set.

$$\Sigma = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i u_i u_i^T \Rightarrow \Sigma^{-1} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\lambda_i} u_i u_i^T$$

$$\text{So that: } \Delta^2 = (x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x-\mu) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\lambda_i} (x-\mu)^T u_i u_i^T (x-\mu) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{y_i^2}{\lambda_i} \quad \text{with } y_i = u_i^T (x-\mu)$$

$$|\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}} = \prod_{j=1}^n \lambda_j^{1/2}$$

$$p(y) = \prod_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{(2\pi\lambda_j)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp\left(-\frac{y_j^2}{2\lambda_j}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(y) dy = \prod_{j=1}^n \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2\pi\lambda_j)^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{y_j^2}{2\lambda_j}\right) dy_j = 1$$

2. Calculate:

a) The conditional of Gaussian distribution

Suppose x is a D-dimensional vector with Gaussian distribution $N(x|\mu, \Sigma)$ and that we partition x into two disjoint subsets x_a and x_b

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} x_a \\ x_b \end{pmatrix}$$

We also define corresponding partitions of the mean vector μ given by:

$$y = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_a \\ \mu_b \end{pmatrix}$$

and of the covariance matrix Σ given by:

$$\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{aa} & \Sigma_{ab} \\ \Sigma_{ba} & \Sigma_{bb} \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow A = \Sigma^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{aa} & A_{ab} \\ A_{ba} & A_{bb} \end{pmatrix}$$

Σ is symmetric so Σ_{aa} and Σ_{bb} are symmetric while $\Sigma_{aa} = \Sigma_{bb}$

We are looking for conditional distribution $P(x_a|x_b)$

We have :

$$\begin{aligned} -\frac{1}{2}(x-\mu)^T(x-\mu) &= -\frac{1}{2}(x-\mu)^T A(x-\mu) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2}(x_a-\mu_a)^T A_{aa}(x_a-\mu_a) - \frac{1}{2}(x_a-\mu_a)^T A_{ab}(x_b-\mu_b) - \frac{1}{2}(x_b-\mu_b)^T A_{ba}(x_a-\mu_a) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2}(x_b-\mu_b)^T A_{bb}(x_b-\mu_b) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2}x_a^T A_{aa}^{-1}x_a + x_a^T (A_{aa}\mu_a - A_{ab}(x_b-\mu_b)) + const \end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta^2 = -\frac{1}{2}x^T \sum^{-1} x + x^T \sum^{-1} \mu + const$$

$$\Sigma_{a|b} = A_{aa}^{-1}$$

$$\mu_{a|b} = \Sigma_{a|b}(A_{aa}\mu_a - A_{ab}(x_b - \mu_b)) = \mu_a - A_{aa}^{-1}A_{ab}(x_b - \mu_b)$$

By using Schur complement,

$$A_{aa} = (\Sigma_{aa} - \Sigma_{ab}\Sigma_{bb}^{-1}\Sigma_{ba})^{-1}$$

$$A_{ab} = -(\Sigma_{aa} - \Sigma_{ab}\Sigma_{bb}^{-1}\Sigma_{ba})^{-1}\Sigma_{ab}\Sigma_{bb}^{-1}$$

As result :

$$\mu_{a|b} = \mu_a + \Sigma_{ab}\Sigma_{bb}^{-1}(x_b - \mu_b)$$

$$\Sigma_{a|b} = \Sigma_{aa} - \Sigma_{ab}\Sigma_{bb}^{-1}\Sigma_{ba}$$

$$\Rightarrow p(x_a|x_b) = N(x_a|b|\mu_{a|b}, \Sigma_{a|b})$$

b) The marginal of Gaussian distribution

$$p(x_a) = \int p(x_a, x_b) dx_b$$

$$-\frac{1}{2}x_b^T A_{bb}x_b + x_b^T m = -\frac{1}{2}(x_b - A_{bb}^{-1}m)^T A_{bb}(x_b - A_{bb}^{-1}m) + \frac{1}{2}m^T A_{bb}^{-1}m \quad \text{with } m = A_{bb}\mu_b - A_{ba}(x_a - \mu_a)$$

We can integrate over unnormalized Gaussian:

$$\int \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x_b - A_{bb}^{-1}m)^T A_{bb}(x_b - A_{bb}^{-1}m)\right) dx_b$$

The remaining term

$$-\frac{1}{2}x_a^T (A_{aa} - A_{ab}A_{bb}^{-1}A_{ba})x_a + x_a^T (A_{aa} - A_{ab}A_{bb}^{-1}A_{ba})^{-1}\mu_a + const$$

$$E[x_a] = \mu_a$$

$$\text{cov}[x_a] = \Sigma_{aa}$$

$$\Rightarrow p(x_a) = N(x_a|\mu_a, \Sigma_{aa})$$