

Lec 10

Re-cap:

① AE \rightarrow minimize reconstruction loss (deterministic)



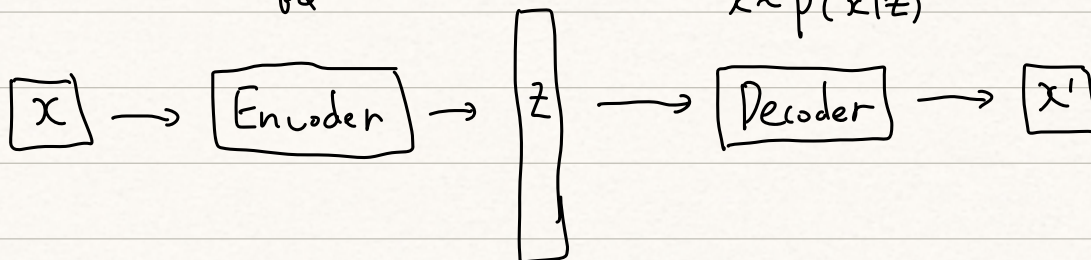
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(since we never impose such structure)

② VAE \rightarrow latent variable model

\nearrow mimic $p(z|x)$

$$z \sim q_{\phi}(z|x)$$

$$x' \sim p(x|z)$$



$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} P_{\theta}(z) \\ P_{\theta}(x|z) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow$ model

\Rightarrow inference on $P_{\theta}(z|x)$

intractable

Model Setting

Variational Inference

\rightarrow use $q_{\phi}(z|x)$ to approximate

$$\underline{P(z|x)}$$

via $\max_{\theta, \phi} \text{ELBO}$

Today's lecture

① Introduction

a) $D_{KL}(p \parallel q) := \int_{\mathcal{X}} p(x) \log \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} dx$

b) Monte-Carlo Approximation

$$\mathbb{E}_{x \sim p(x)} [f(x)] \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N f(x^{(i)}) \quad x^{(i)} \sim p \text{ (i.i.d.)}$$

c) ELBO (Decomposition)

$$\log P_{\theta}(x) = \mathbb{E}_{z \sim q(\cdot)} \left[\log \left(\frac{P_{\theta}(x, z)}{q(z)} \right) \right]$$

ELBO

$$+ D_{KL}(q(z) \parallel P_{\theta}(z|x))$$

$$\Rightarrow \log P_{\theta}(x) \geq \text{ELBO} := \mathbb{E}_{z \sim q(\cdot)} \left[\log \left(\frac{P_{\theta}(x, z)}{q(z)} \right) \right]$$

② Optimize in ELBO

$$\max_{\theta} \log P_{\theta}(x)$$

↓ surrogate

$$\max_{\theta, q} \text{ELBO} := \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}; \theta, q)$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{E}_{z \sim q(\cdot|x^{(i)})} \left[\log \left(\frac{P_{\theta}(x^{(i)}, z)}{q_{\theta}(z|x^{(i)})} \right) \right]$$

For simplicity, we consider 1-sample $\mathcal{L} = \mathbb{E}_{z \sim q_{\theta}(\cdot|x)} \left[\log \left(\frac{P_{\theta}(x, z)}{q_{\theta}(z|x)} \right) \right]$

③ Issue: without compute the explicit form of "L"

consider the gradient $\nabla_{\theta} L$ & $\nabla_{\phi} L$

$$a) \nabla_{\theta} L = \mathbb{E}_{z \sim q_{\phi}(\cdot|x)} [\nabla_{\theta} \log p_{\theta}(x|z)]$$

(easy task)

$$b) \nabla_{\phi} L \neq \mathbb{E}_{z \sim q_{\phi}(\cdot|x)} [\nabla_{\phi} \log \left(\frac{p_{\theta}(x, z)}{q_{\phi}(z|x)} \right)]$$



Reparameterization Trick

idea:

we want to write $z \sim q_{\phi}(\cdot|x)$ as

the equivalent form $z = \mu + \sigma + \epsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} u$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{z \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu + x, \Sigma)}$$

④ Reparameterization Trick

Setting

$$\mu, \sigma^2 = \phi(x)$$

$$\underline{z|x \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2 I)} \Leftrightarrow z|x = \mu(x) + \sigma(x) u$$

$$= q_{\phi}(\cdot|x) \quad \text{where } u \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I)$$

Idea \Rightarrow use Gaussian with trainable mean & variance
to approximate posterior $p_{\theta}(z|x)$

$$q_{\phi}(\cdot|x) = \mathcal{N}(\mu(x), \sigma^2(x) I) \approx p_{\theta}(z|x)$$

$$\text{Then } \nabla_{\phi} L = \nabla_{\phi} \mathbb{E}_{z \sim q_{\phi}(\cdot|x)} [L(x, z)]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{u \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I)} [\nabla_{\theta} \tilde{L}(x, \mu(x) + \sigma(x)u)]$$

via Monte-Carlo Approximation

⑤ Model of $p_{\theta}(x|z)$ $p_{\theta}(z)$ $q_{\phi}(z|x)$

a) Consider Classification Scenario $\Rightarrow p_{\theta}(x|z)$: Bernoulli

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} S_{\theta} = \text{Decoding NN}(z; \theta) \\ p_{\theta}(x|z) = S_{\theta}^x (1-S_{\theta})^{1-x} \Leftrightarrow \log p(x|z) \end{cases}$$

$$\log p_{\theta}(z) = \sum_j -\frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{1}{2} z_j^2 = x \log S_{\theta} + (1-x) \log(1-S_{\theta})$$

b) $p_{\theta}(z) \rightarrow \mathcal{N}(0, I)$ Vector
for technique consideration

$$c) \begin{cases} (\mu_{\phi}, \sigma_{\phi}^2) = \text{Encoding NN}(x; \phi) \\ q_{\phi}(z|x) = \text{Gaussian}(z; \mu_{\phi}, \sigma_{\phi}^2 I) \end{cases}$$

\Downarrow Reparameterization Trick

$$z \sim q_{\phi}(\cdot|x)$$

\Updownarrow

$$\begin{aligned} u &\sim \text{Gaussian}(0, I) \\ z &:= \mu_{\phi} + \sigma_{\phi} u \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log q_{\phi}(z|x) = \sum_j -\frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi \sigma_j^2) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{z_j - \mu_j}{\sigma_j} \right)^2$$

$$= \sum_j -\frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi b_j^2) - \frac{1}{2} u_j^2$$

⑥ Summary:

$x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ → input dimension

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{a) } \log P_\theta(x|z) = \sum_i x_i \log S_{\theta,i} + (1-x_i) \log(1-S_{\theta,i}) \\ \text{b) } \log P_\theta(z) = \sum_j -\frac{1}{2} \log 2\pi - \frac{1}{2} z_j^2 \\ \quad = \sum_j -\frac{1}{2} \log 2\pi - \frac{1}{2} (b_j u_j + \mu_j)^2 \\ \text{c) } \log q_\phi(z|x) = \sum_j -\frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi b_j^2) - \frac{1}{2} u_j^2 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{a) } \mathbb{E}_{z \sim q_\phi(\cdot|x)} [\log P_\theta(x|z)] \\ \text{b) } \mathbb{E}_{z \sim q_\phi(\cdot|x)} [\log P_\theta(z)] = \mathbb{E}_u \left[\sum_j \text{const} - \frac{1}{2} (b_j u_j + \mu_j)^2 \right] \\ \quad = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_j (\mu_j^2 + b_j^2) \\ \text{c) } \mathbb{E}_{z \sim q_\phi(\cdot|x)} [\log q_\phi(z|x)] \\ \quad = \mathbb{E}_u \left[\sum_j -\frac{1}{2} \log b_j^2 - \frac{1}{2} u_j^2 \right] \end{array} \right.$$

$$= \sum_j -\frac{1}{2} \log b_j^2 = -\sum_j \log b_j$$

$$\hat{\theta}, \hat{\phi} = \arg \max \text{ELBO}$$

Recap: $\text{ELBO} = \mathbb{E}_{z \sim q_\phi(\cdot|x)} \left[\log \left(\frac{P_\theta(x, z)}{q_\phi(z|x)} \right) \right]$

$$\downarrow$$

$$L = -\text{ELBO} = -\mathbb{E}_z \left[\log \left(\frac{P_\theta(x, z)}{q_\phi(z|x)} \right) \right]$$

$$= - \mathbb{E}_{z \sim q_{\phi}(\cdot|x)} [\log p_{\theta}(x|z)]$$

$$+ D_{KL}(q_{\phi}(z|x) \parallel p_{\theta}(z))$$

Normalization (Regularization)

reconstruction loss

$$= \frac{1}{2} \|\mu_{\phi}\|_2^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\sigma_{\phi}\|_2^2 - \sum_j \log \sigma_{\phi,j}$$