

BART update for tree changes

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Suppose there are n observations in a terminal node and suppose that the (partial) residuals in this terminal node are denoted R_1, \dots, R_n . The prior distribution for these residuals is:

$$R_1, \dots, R_n | \mu, \tau \sim N(\mu, \tau^{-1})$$

Furthermore the prior on μ is:

$$\mu \sim N(0, \tau_\mu^{-1})$$

Using π to denote a probability distribution, we want to find:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(R_1, \dots, R_n | \sigma) &= \int \pi(R_1, \dots, R_n | \mu, \tau) \pi(\tau) \partial\mu \\ &\propto \prod_{i=1}^n \tau^{1/2} e^{-\frac{\tau}{2}(R_i - \mu)^2} \tau_\mu^{1/2} e^{-\frac{\tau_\mu}{2}\mu^2} \partial\mu \\ &= \int \tau^{n/2} e^{-\frac{\tau}{2} \sum (R_i - \mu)^2} \tau_\mu^{1/2} e^{-\frac{\tau_\mu}{2}\mu^2} \partial\mu \\ &= \int \tau^{n/2} \tau_\mu^{1/2} e^{-\frac{1}{2}[\tau \{\sum R_i^2 + n\mu^2 - 2\mu n \bar{R}\} + \tau_\mu \mu^2]} \partial\mu \\ &= \tau^{n/2} \tau_\mu^{1/2} e^{-\frac{1}{2}[\tau \sum R_i^2]} \int e^{-\frac{1}{2}Q} \partial\mu \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
Q &= \tau n \mu^2 - 2\tau n \mu \bar{R} + \tau_\mu \mu^2 \\
&= (\tau_\mu + n\tau) \mu^2 - 2\tau n \mu \bar{R} \\
&= (\tau_\mu + n\tau) \left[\mu^2 - \frac{2\tau n \mu \bar{R}}{\tau_\mu + n\tau} \right] \\
&= (\tau_\mu + n\tau) \left[\left(\mu - \frac{2\tau n \bar{R}}{\tau_\mu + n\tau} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{\tau n \bar{R}}{\tau_\mu + n\tau} \right)^2 \right] \\
&= (\tau_\mu + n\tau) \left(\mu - \frac{2\tau n \bar{R}}{\tau_\mu + n\tau} \right)^2 - \frac{(n\tau \bar{R})^2}{\tau_\mu + n\tau}
\end{aligned}$$

so therefore:

$$\begin{aligned}
\int e^{-\frac{1}{2}Q} \partial\mu &= \int \exp \left[-\frac{\tau_\mu + n\tau}{2} \left(\mu - \frac{2\tau n \bar{R}}{\tau_\mu + n\tau} \right)^2 + \frac{(n\tau \bar{R})^2}{2(\tau_\mu + n\tau)} \right] \partial\mu \\
&\propto \exp \left[\frac{1}{2} \frac{(\tau n \bar{R})^2}{\tau_\mu + n\tau} \right] (\tau_\mu + n\tau)^{-1/2}
\end{aligned}$$

And finally:

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi(R_1, \dots, R_n | \tau) &\propto (\tau_\mu + n\tau)^{-1/2} \tau^{n/2} \tau_\mu^{1/2} \exp \left[\frac{1}{2} \frac{(\tau n \bar{R})^2}{\tau_\mu + n\tau} \right] \exp \left[-\frac{\tau}{2} \sum R_i^2 \right] \\
&= \tau^{n/2} \left(\frac{\tau_\mu}{\tau_\mu + n\tau} \right)^{1/2} \exp \left[-\frac{\tau}{2} \left\{ \sum R_i^2 - \frac{\tau(n\bar{R})^2}{\tau_\mu + n\tau} \right\} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

Including multiple terminal nodes

When we put back in terminal nodes we write R_{ji} where j is the terminal node and i is still the observation, so in terminal node j we have partial residuals R_{j1}, \dots, R_{jn_j} . When we have $j = 1, \dots, b$ terminal nodes the full conditional distribution is then:

$$\prod_{j=1}^b \pi(R_{j1}, \dots, R_{jn_j} | \tau) \propto \prod_{j=1}^b \left\{ \tau^{n_j/2} \left(\frac{\tau_\mu}{\tau_\mu + n_j \tau} \right)^{1/2} \exp \left[-\frac{\tau}{2} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} R_{ji}^2 - \frac{\tau(n_j \bar{R}_j)^2}{\tau_\mu + n_j \tau} \right\} \right] \right\}$$

which on the log scale gives:

$$\sum_{j=1}^b \left\{ \frac{n_j}{2} \log(\tau) + \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{\tau_\mu}{\tau_\mu + n_j \tau} \right) - \frac{\tau}{2} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{n_j} R_{ji}^2 - \frac{\tau(n_j \bar{R}_j)^2}{\tau_\mu + n_j \tau} \right] \right\}$$