

Stat Model

Introduction

Given the measurement data we wish to determine the best possible estimate for the quantum state. We can use Bayes' theorem to define the probability of the state given the data:

$$\Pr(\rho|\text{Data}) = \frac{\Pr(\text{Data}|\rho)\Pr(\rho)}{\Pr(\text{Data})}$$

We define these functions as the following

- Posterior: $\Pr(\rho|\text{Data})$
- Likelihood: $\mathcal{L}(\rho) = \Pr(\text{Data}|\rho)$
- Prior: $\Pr(\rho)$
- Evidence: $\Pr(\text{Data})$

Estimators

Maximum Likelihood Estimator(MLE)

The MLE estimator is found by maximizing the log of the likelihood function

$$\rho_{\text{MLE}} = \underset{\rho}{\operatorname{argmin}} \log(\mathcal{L}(\rho))$$

Bayesian Estimator(Bayes)

The Bayes estimator is the expected value of the posterior

$$\rho_{\text{Bayes}} = \mathbb{E}[\rho|\text{Data}]$$

$$\hat{\rho} = \int \rho \Pr(\rho|\text{Data}) d\rho$$

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We only care about an estimator that is proportional to the density matrix since we can normalize the matrix at the end.

$$\hat{\rho} \propto \int \rho \Pr(\text{Data}|\rho)\Pr(\rho) d\rho$$

Distribution of Counts

The counts of the measurements can be modeled by a Poisson Distribution. With high enough counts we can approximate this with a Normal Distribution using the Central Limit Theorem. An important fact of the Poisson distribution is the variance is equal to the mean.

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For each measurement we have 1 count number. We define the following variables:

- n_i : Number of counts on measurement i
 - Low number counts : $n_i \sim \text{Pois}(\mu_i)$
 - High number counts : $n_i \sim \text{Norm}(\mu_i, \sigma_i)$
- μ_i : Expected number of counts on measurement i given ρ
- $\sigma_i^2 = \mu_i$: Variance for the number of counts on measurement i given ρ

From the Photonic State Tomography paper:

$$\mu_i = I_0 I_i \text{Tr}(M'_i \rho) + a_i$$

Variables:

- I_0 : Is the overall intensity
- I_i : Is the relative intensity of measurement i given as an input. Default is 1
- M'_i : Is measurement i with cross talk correction
- M_i : Is measurement i
- T_i : Is the time of measurement i given as an input. Default is 1
- S_{ik} : Is the kth single count on measurement i given as an input. Default is 0
- W : Is the coincidence window duration as an input. Default is 0
- $a_i = \frac{W \prod_{k=1}^2 S_{ik}}{T_i}$: Is the predicted accidental counts for measurement i.

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For each measurement a complete number of counts on all the possible outcomes. We define the following variables:

- n_{ij} : Number of counts on measurement i
 - Low number counts : ? todo: figure this out
 - High number counts : $\vec{n}_i \sim \text{Multi-Norm}(\vec{\mu}_i, \sigma_i)$
- μ_{ij} : Expected number of counts on the j basis of measurement i given ρ
- $\Sigma_i = ?$: Variance matrix for the j basis of measurement i given ρ todo: figure this out

From the Photonic State Tomography paper:

$$\mu_{ij} = I_0 I_i E_j \text{Tr}(M'_{ij} \rho) + a_{ij}$$

Variables:

- I_0 : Is the overall intensity
- I_i : Is the relative intensity of measurement i given as an input. Default is 1
- M'_{ij} : Is the jth basis of measurement i with cross talk correction
- M_{ij} : Is the jth basis of measurement i
- T_i : Is the time of measurement i given as an input. Default is 1
- S_{ijk} : Is the kth single count on measurement i given as an input. Default is 0
- W_j : Is the coincidence window duration for the jth basis as an input. Default is 0
- E_j : Is the relative efficiency on the jth basis
- $a_{ij} = \frac{W_j \prod_{k=1}^2 S_{ijk}}{T_i}$: Is the predicted accidental counts for measurement i.