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Lecture 3: Parameter Learning

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### Parameter Learning for BNs: Maximum Likelihood

• Given a sample  $d_{1:N}$ , the log likelihood function is

$$\log p(d_{1:N}|\theta_G,G) = \log \left[\prod_{I} p(d_I|\theta_G,G)\right] = \log \left[\prod_{I} \prod_{i} p(d_I[X_i]|d_I[pa_G(X_i)],\theta_G)\right]$$

$$\begin{split} &= \log \big[ \prod_{I} \prod_{i} \theta_{X_i = d_I[X_i] \mid pa_G(X_i) = d_I[pa_G(X_i)]} \big] = \log \big[ \prod_{i} \prod_{j} \prod_{k} \theta_{X_i = k \mid pa_G(X_i) = j}^{N_{ijk}} \big] \\ &= \sum_{i} \sum_{i} \sum_{k} N_{ijk} \log \theta_{X_i = k \mid pa_G(X_i) = j} \end{split}$$

where  $N_{ijk}$  is the number of instances in  $d_{1:N}$  with  $X_i = k$  and  $pa_G(X_i) = j$ .

▶ To maximize the log likelihood function subject to the constraint  $\sum_k \theta_{X_i=k|pa_G(X_i)=j} = 1$  for all i and j, we maximize

$$\sum_{i} \sum_{j} \sum_{k} N_{ijk} \log \theta_{X_i = k \mid pa_G(X_i) = j} + \sum_{i} \sum_{j} \lambda_{ij} \left( \sum_{k} \theta_{X_i = k \mid pa_G(X_i) = j} - 1 \right)$$

where  $\lambda_{ii}$  are called Lagrange multipliers.<sup>1</sup>

▶ Setting to zero the derivative with respect to  $\theta_{X_i=k|pa_G(X_i)=j}$  gives

$$\theta_{X_i=k|pa_G(X_i)=j} = -N_{ijk}/\lambda_{ij}$$

▶ Replacing in the constraint gives  $\lambda_{ij} = -N_{ij}$  and  $\theta_{X_i=k|pac(X_i)=j}^{ML} = N_{ijk}/N_{ij}$ .

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Any stationary point of the Lagrangian function is a stationary point of the original function subject to the constraints. Moreover, the log likelihood function is concave.

- Let d<sub>1:N</sub> be an incomplete sample, i.e. d<sub>i</sub>[X<sub>i</sub>] =? for some i and I. Let o<sub>1:N</sub> denote the observed part of d<sub>1:N</sub>, and u<sub>1:N</sub> the unobserved part.
- ▶ The log likelihood function over  $o_{1:N}$  is

$$\log p(o_{1:N}|\theta_{G},G) = \log \prod_{l} \sum_{u_{l}} p(o_{l},u_{l}|\theta_{G},G) = \sum_{l} \log \sum_{u_{l}} p(o_{l},u_{l}|\theta_{G},G)$$

▶ To maximize it subject to the constraint  $\sum_k \theta_{X_i=k|pa_G(X_i)=j} = 1$  for all i and j, we maximize

$$\sum_{l} \log \sum_{u_l} p(o_l, u_l | \theta_G, G) + \sum_{i} \sum_{j} \lambda_{ij} \left( \sum_{k} \theta_{X_i = k | p a_G(X_i) = j} - 1 \right)$$

Its derivative with respect to  $\theta_{X_i=k|pa_G(X_i)=j}$  is

$$\sum_{l} \frac{\sum_{u_{l}:c_{l}[X_{i}]=k,c_{l}[pa_{G}(X_{i})]=j} \prod_{i'} \theta_{X_{i'}=c_{l}[X_{i'}]|pa_{G}(X_{i'})=c_{l}[pa_{G}(X_{i'})]}}{\theta_{X_{i}=k|pa_{G}(X_{i})=j} \sum_{u_{l}} p(o_{l},u_{l}|\theta_{G},G)} + \lambda_{ij}$$

$$=\sum_{l}\sum_{u_l:c_l[X_i]=k,c_l[pa_G(X_i)]=j}\frac{p(u_l|o_l,\theta_G,G)}{\theta_{X_i=k|pa_G(X_i)=j}}+\lambda_{ij}=M_{ijk}/\theta_{X_i=k|pa_G(X_i)=j}+\lambda_{ij}$$

where  $c_l = \{o_l, u_l\}$  and  $M_{ijk} = \sum_l \sum_{u_l: c_l \lceil X_i \rceil = k, c_l \lceil pa_G(X_i) \rceil = i} p(u_l | o_l, \theta_G, G)$ .

▶ Setting the derivative to zero gives

$$\theta_{X_i=k|pac(X_i)=i} = -M_{ijk}/\lambda_{ij}$$

Replacing this into the constraint gives  $\lambda_{ij} = -M_{ij}$  and, thus,  $\theta_{X_i=k|pa_G(X_i)=j}^{ML} = M_{ijk}/M_{ij}$ . No closed form solution but it suggests ...

- ▶ The EM algorithm increases  $\log p(o_{1:N}|\theta_G,G)$  in each iteration. So, it is locally but not necessarily globally optimal.
- ▶ Note that computing  $p(U_I|o_I, \theta_G, G)$  requires inference.

- As shown before, maximizing the log likelihood function over O is inefficient as no closed form solution exists.
- Moreover, it is ineffective due to multimodality, i.e. each completion of the data defines a unimodal function but their sum may be multimodal.
- Consider instead maximizing its expectation

$$\begin{split} & \mathrm{E}_{U_{1:N}}[\log p(o_{1:N}, U_{1:N} | \theta_G, G)] = \sum_{l} \sum_{u_l} p(u_l | o_l, \theta_G, G) \log p(o_l, u_l | \theta_G, G) \\ & = \sum_{l} \sum_{u_l} p(u_l | o_l, \theta_G, G) \sum_{i} \log \theta_{X_i = c_l[X_i] | pa_G(X_i) = c_l[pa_G(X_i)]} \end{split}$$

where  $c_l = \{o_l, u_l\}$ . Then

$$\mathbb{E}_{U_{1:N}}[\log p(o_{1:N}, U_{1:N} | \theta_G, G)] = \sum_i \sum_j \sum_k M_{ijk} \log \theta_{X_i = k | pa_G(X_i) = j}$$

where  $M_{ijk} = \sum_{l} \sum_{u_l:c_l \lceil X_i \rceil = k, c_l \lceil pa_G(X_i) \rceil = j} p(u_l | o_l, \theta_G, G)$ .

▶ Then,  $\theta_{X_i=k|pa_G(X_i)=j}^{ML} = M_{ijk}/M_{ij}$ . No closed form solution but it suggests the EM algorithm too.

▶ Another way to motivate the EM algorithm is as follows:

$$\log p(o_{1:N}|\theta_G,G) = L(q,\theta_G) + KL(q||p)$$

where

- $L(q, \theta_G) = \sum_{u_{1:N}} q(u_{1:N}) \log \left[ p(o_{1:N}, u_{1:N} | \theta_G, G) / q(u_{1:N}) \right]$
- $KL(q||p) = -\sum_{u_{1:N}} q(u_{1:N}) \log \left[ p(u_{1:N}|o_{1:N},\theta_G,G)/q(u_{1:N}) \right]$
- $q(U_{1:N})$  is a probability distribution.
- ▶ To see it, note that  $L(q, \theta_G)$

$$= \sum_{u_{1:N}} q(u_{1:N}) [\log p(u_{1:N}|o_{1:N},\theta_G,G) + \log p(o_{1:N}|\theta_G,G)] - \sum_{u_{1:N}} q(u_{1:N}) \log q(u_{1:N})$$

$$= \log p(o_{1:N}|\theta_G, G) + \sum_{u_{1:N}} q(u_{1:N}) \log p(u_{1:N}|o_{1:N}, \theta_G, G) - \sum_{u_{1:N}} q(u_{1:N}) \log q(u_{1:N})$$

$$= \log p(o_{1:N}|\theta_G, G) - KL(q||p)$$

- ▶ Note that  $KL(q||p) \ge 0$  and, thus,  $\log p(o_{1:N}|\theta_G, G) \ge L(q, \theta_G)$  for any  $q(U_{1:N})$ .
- ► E step: Maximize the lower bound  $L(q, \theta_G)$  by setting  $q(U_{1:N}) = p(U_{1:N}|o_{1:N}, \theta_G, G)$ , since then KL(q||p) = 0.
- Note that now  $L(q, \theta_G) = \mathbb{E}_{U_{1:N}}[\log p(o_{1:N}, U_{1:N}|\theta_G, G)] + constant.$
- ▶ M step: Maximize the lower bound  $L(q, \theta_G)$  with respect to  $\theta_G$ .
- ▶ The last step may introduce a non-zero KL(q||p), resulting in an iterative process: The EM algorithm.

# Parameter Learning for MNs: Iterative Proportional Fitting Procedure

• Given a complete sample  $d_{1:N}$ , the log likelihood function is

$$\log p(d_{1:N}|\theta_G, G) = \sum_{K \in CI(G)} \sum_k N_k \log \varphi(k) - N \log Z$$

where  $N_K$  is the number of instances in  $d_{1:N}$  with K = k. Then

$$\log p(d_{1:N}|\theta_G, G)/N = \sum_{K \in Cl(G)} \sum_k p_e(k) \log \varphi(k) - \log Z$$

where  $p_e(X)$  is the empirical probability distribution obtained from  $d_{1:N}$ .

▶ Let  $Q \in Cl(G)$ . The derivative with respect to  $\varphi(q)$  is

$$\frac{\partial \log p(d_{1:N}|\theta_G,G)/N}{\partial \varphi(q)} = \frac{p_e(q)}{\varphi(q)} - \frac{1}{Z} \frac{\partial Z}{\partial \varphi(q)}$$

▶ Let  $Y = X \setminus Q$ . Then

$$\frac{\partial Z}{\partial \varphi(q)} = \sum_{y} \prod_{K \in Cl(G) \setminus Q} \varphi(k, \overline{k}) = \frac{Z}{\varphi(q)} \sum_{y} \prod_{K \in Cl(G) \setminus Q} \varphi(k, \overline{k}) \frac{\varphi(q)}{Z} = \frac{Z}{\varphi(q)} p(q | \theta_G, G)$$

where  $\overline{k}$  denotes the elements of q corresponding to the elements of  $K \cap Q$ .

Putting together the results above, we have that

$$\frac{\partial \log p(d_{1:N}|\theta_G,G)/N}{\partial \varphi(q)} = \frac{p_e(q)}{\varphi(q)} - \frac{p(q|\theta_G,G)}{\varphi(q)}$$

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Setting the derivative to zero gives <sup>2</sup>

$$\varphi^{ML}(q) = \varphi(q)p_e(q)/p(q|\theta_G,G)$$

No closed form solution but ...

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IPFP

Initialize \varphi(K) for all K \in Cl(G)

Repeat until convergence

Set \varphi(K) = \varphi(K)p_e(K)/p(K|\theta_G,G) for all K \in Cl(G)
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- ▶ IPFP increases  $\log p(d_{1:N}|\theta_G,G)$  in each iteration. So, it is globally optimal.
- Iterative coordinate ascend method.
- Note that computing p(K|θ<sub>G</sub>, G) in the last line requires inference. Moreover, the multiplication and division are elementwise.
- Note also that Z needs to be computed in each iteration, which is computationally hard. This can be avoided by a careful initialization.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>The log likelihood function is concave.

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Thank you