

MIDTERMS

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- Monte Carlo: USE RANDOM SAMPLES VS. FULL ENSEMBLE OF μ -states
 AVG of a smaller # of microstates = AVG of full ensemble
 ... if SAMPLE is faithful to \nearrow these have a probability dist.

- Markov chain: generate sample sequentially

- many "small" steps

\hookrightarrow ERGODIC property: these can access all allowed μ -states

eg: can't use marble game for disconnected fields



no way to sample the disconnected island

- 2 kinds of prob:

want to sample

$\rightarrow P_i$

(BOLTZMANN) PROB of i th μ -STATE

$$\hookrightarrow = e^{-\beta E_i} / Z$$

we make UP!

$\rightarrow p(i \rightarrow j)$

TRANSITION PROBABILITY to go from μ -state i to μ -state j .

2 RULES: ① conservation of transition prob.

$$\boxed{\sum_j P(i \rightarrow j) = 1}$$

② conservation of state prob.

$$P_j = \sum_i P_i P(i \rightarrow j)$$

↑
prob of being somewhere = prob of going there from somewhere else × being in that "somewhere else"

from this: ANSATZ (a solution)

Detailed Balance:

$$\boxed{P_i P(i \rightarrow j) = P_j P(j \rightarrow i)}$$

notation: TRANSITION MATRIX: $T_{ij} = P(i \rightarrow j)$

↑
"propagator" ... you see these ideas over & over & over again in physics.

ACTS ON ~~THE~~ VECTOR OF PROBABILITIES

$$\vec{P} = \begin{pmatrix} P_1 \\ \vdots \\ P_N \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\boxed{P_i T_{ij} = P_j T_{ji}}$$

(no sum implied!!)

$$P_j = \frac{e^{-\beta E_j}}{Z}$$

← CAN CALCULATE IN A GIVEN SYSTEM

← intractable, important

detailed balance $\Rightarrow \frac{T_{ij}}{T_{ji}} = \frac{P_j}{P_i} = \underbrace{e^{-\beta(E_j - E_i)}}_{\text{can calculate}}$

if we know the ratios of transition probabilities, we can determine our rules for MCMC!

HOPE \leftarrow to best of my knowledge, no rigorous proof.

- ① if we have a sample that is BOLTZMANN DISTRIBUTED, IT STAYS BOLTZMANN
- ② if we have a sample that is not BOLTZMANN, it BECOMES BOLTZMANN.

PROB of being in i @ time t

re $\frac{\# \text{ states in } i}{\# \text{ states gen in } t \text{ steps}}$

①: given $P_i(t)$,

$$P_j(t+\Delta t) = \sum_i P_i(t) T_{ij}$$

$$= \sum_i P_j(t) T_{ji}$$

$$= P_j(t) \left[\sum_i T_{ji} \right] = 1$$

\uparrow can drop this t for large enough t .

\leftarrow SO PROB DIST. DOESN'T CHANGE.

THAT'S THE POINT OF DETAILED BALANCE

... but is P_i boltzmann?

② DOES MCMC converge to Boltzmann dist?

↳ ERGODIC HOPE

APP D of NEWMAN is A NICE "PHYSICIST'S" PF.

↳ DISCRETE # of STEPS

sketch : $\vec{P}(t) = T^t \vec{P}(0)$

↑
transition
matrix

↑
RANDOM initial
state (set of
probabilities)

suppose T has eigenvectors \vec{V}_k

$$\vec{P}(t) = T^t \sum_k c_k \vec{V}_k = \sum_k c_k \lambda_k^t \vec{V}_k$$

↑
 $\vec{P}(0)$ PROJECTION
ONTO EIGENBASIS

↑
eigenvals

$$= \lambda_1^t \sum_k c_k \left(\frac{\lambda_k}{\lambda_1} \right)^t \vec{V}_k$$

↑
LARGEST EIGENVAL

$$(\ll 1)^{t \gg 1} \rightarrow 0$$

UNLESS $k = 1$

$$\frac{\vec{P}(t)}{\lambda_1^t} = c_1 \vec{V}_1$$

↑
EIGENVEC of PROBABILITIES

• DETAILED BALANCE: $\sum_j T_{ji} P_j = P_i \sum_j T_{ji} = P_i$

↑
EIGEN VEC w/ $\lambda = 1$

sketch of rest of pf

$$\sum_j T_{ij} = 1 \rightarrow \vec{1} = (1, \dots, 1) \text{ is a left eigenvector.}$$

↑ i, j are kind of weird... maybe I should have defined

$$S_{ij} = T_{ji} = P(j \rightarrow i)$$

if BOLTZMANN BIG VEC. only one w/ $\lambda = 1$, THEN ALL OTHERS ARE ORTHOG.

↳ must have neg entries (unmathematical!)

if not: then \exists SEPARATE SUBSPACE OF STATES

$$\mu\text{states} = (\mu\text{state})_1 \oplus (\mu\text{state})_2$$

↑
T keeps you
in here

↑
T keeps you
in here

* this violates ergodicity!

↳ hope ergodicity is true.

finally: T is non-neg. $\tilde{P}(0)$ is non neg.

$\tilde{P}(\infty)$ must also be non-neg.

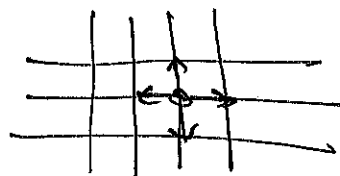
↳ must be Boltzmann.

PRACTICAL: ② $T_{ij} = p(i \rightarrow j)$

standard choice of algorithm: METROPOLIS

EACH MOVE

1. IDENTIFY ALLOWED MOVES (move set)

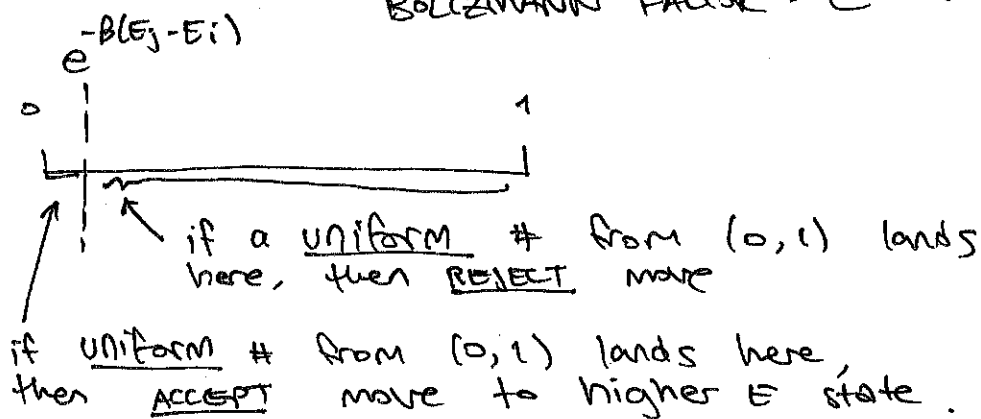


(also: \downarrow "stay")

2. Pick one @ random w/ uniform distribution

3. if the configuration is lower energy,
make the move.

otherwise: flip a WEIGHTED coin
 \uparrow
 BOLZMANN FACTOR: $e^{-\beta(E_j - E_i)}$ \downarrow POSITIVE



Why it works:

$$T_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } E_j < E_i \\ e^{-\beta(E_j - E_i)} & \text{if } E_i < E_j \end{cases}$$

DETAILED
BALANCE!

$$\frac{T_{ij}}{T_{ji}} = \begin{cases} e^{-\beta(E_j - E_i)} & E_j < E_i \\ e^{-\beta(E_i - E_j)} & E_i < E_j \end{cases}$$

$$= \frac{P_i}{P_j}$$