

HW3. You need to read Bayesian update before you can answer problem 1.

1. (30%)

In this problem, you are asked to add one Bin to the Bayesian update problem.

In total, there are three possible bins with probability

$$P(\text{red} | H=A) = 0.7$$

$$P(\text{green} | H=A) = 0.3$$

$$P(\text{red} | H=B) = 0.3$$

$$P(\text{green} | H=B) = 0.7$$

$$P(\text{red} | H=C) = 0.1$$

$$P(\text{green} | H=C) = 0.9$$

We start with the assumption that the prior probability is given by

$$P(H=A) = 1/3$$

$$P(H=B) = 1/3$$

$$P(H=C) = 1/3$$

Now for simulation, we place Bin C in the black box and start to draw ball from the Bin C. Please run the Bayesian update for 100 iteration and obtain the posterior probability $P(H=C | \text{data})$ (data can be red or green) or equivalently the new prior $P(H=C)$ because you need to reset the prior with posterior and update the prior probability accordingly. Plot it in excel or other grapher software.

2. A random sampling algorithm for quadratic programming

Consider the following quadratic programming problem

Objective function

$$Z = (\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{b})^T (\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{b})$$

The feasible region is cube of dimension d defined by

$$0 \leq w_i \leq 1 \quad i=1,2,3,\dots,d$$

(a) (30%) First, we set d=3 and consider a 3D problem with :

$$\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now randomly and uniformly sample the feasible region and find both *the minimal value of Z* and \mathbf{w} such that $Z(\mathbf{w})$ is the minimum of Z. Usually we write it as

$$\mathbf{w} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{w} \in \mathcal{W}} Z$$

Repeat the experiment for 10 times and use 10^6 sample points for each experiment and for each run, print out both minimal value of Z and the corresponding \mathbf{w} . (Print out both the code and result.)

(b) (10%) Is the answer you find in close proximity to the corner point of cube?

Corner point (0,0,0) (1,0,0) (0,1,0) (1,1,1) (0,1,0) (1,1,0).....

Can you justify \mathbf{w} using geometrical interpretation? (no coding is needed for this problem.)

(c) (30%) Now we change the problem to 5 dimension ($d=5$). Hence \mathbf{w} is a five dimensional vector

$$\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_B \end{bmatrix}$$

and set

$$\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now randomly sample the feasible region for 10^6 and find both \mathbf{w} such that $Z(\mathbf{w})$ is minimum and the minimum of Z.

Repeat the experiment for 10 times and using 10^6 sample point for each experiment and for each run, print out both minimal value of Z and the corresponding \mathbf{w} . (Print out both the code and result.)