

Deep Generative Models

Lecture 4

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Recap of previous lecture

Let split \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{z} in two parts:

$$\mathbf{x} = [\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2] = [\mathbf{x}_{1:d}, \mathbf{x}_{d+1:m}]; \quad \mathbf{z} = [\mathbf{z}_1, \mathbf{z}_2] = [\mathbf{z}_{1:d}, \mathbf{z}_{d+1:m}].$$

Coupling layer

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{z}_1; \\ \mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{z}_2 \odot \sigma_{\theta}(\mathbf{z}_1) + \mu_{\theta}(\mathbf{z}_1). \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} \mathbf{z}_1 = \mathbf{x}_1; \\ \mathbf{z}_2 = (\mathbf{x}_2 - \mu_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_1)) \odot \frac{1}{\sigma_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_1)}. \end{cases}$$

Estimating the density takes 1 pass, sampling takes 1 pass!

Jacobian

$$\det \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{z}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \right) = \det \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{I}_d & 0_{d \times m-d} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{z}_2}{\partial \mathbf{x}_1} & \frac{\partial \mathbf{z}_2}{\partial \mathbf{x}_2} \end{pmatrix} = \prod_{j=1}^{m-d} \frac{1}{\sigma_j(\mathbf{x}_1)}.$$

Coupling layer is a special case of autoregressive NF.

Recap of previous lecture

Continuous-in-time dynamic (neural ODE)

$$\frac{dz(t)}{dt} = \mathbf{f}_{\theta}(\mathbf{z}(t), t); \quad \text{with initial condition } \mathbf{z}(t_0) = \mathbf{z}_0.$$

$$\mathbf{z}(t_1) = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \mathbf{f}_{\theta}(\mathbf{z}(t), t) dt + \mathbf{z}_0 \approx \text{ODESolve}(\mathbf{z}(t_0), \mathbf{f}_{\theta}, t_0, t_1).$$

Euler update step

$$\frac{\mathbf{z}(t + \Delta t) - \mathbf{z}(t)}{\Delta t} = \mathbf{f}_{\theta}(\mathbf{z}(t), t) \Rightarrow \mathbf{z}(t + \Delta t) = \mathbf{z}(t) + \Delta t \cdot \mathbf{f}_{\theta}(\mathbf{z}(t), t)$$

Theorem (Picard)

If \mathbf{f} is uniformly Lipschitz continuous in \mathbf{z} and continuous in t , then the ODE has a **unique** solution.

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{z}(t_1) = \mathbf{z}(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \mathbf{f}_{\theta}(\mathbf{z}(t), t) dt$$

$$\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{z}(t_0) = \mathbf{z}(t_1) + \int_{t_1}^{t_0} \mathbf{f}_{\theta}(\mathbf{z}(t), t) dt$$

Recap of previous lecture

Theorem (Kolmogorov-Fokker-Planck: special case)

If \mathbf{f} is uniformly Lipschitz continuous in \mathbf{z} and continuous in t , then

$$\frac{d \log p(\mathbf{z}(t), t)}{dt} = -\text{tr} \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{\theta}(\mathbf{z}(t), t)}{\partial \mathbf{z}(t)} \right).$$

$$\log p(\mathbf{z}(t_1), t_1) = \log p(\mathbf{z}(t_0), t_0) - \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \text{tr} \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{\theta}(\mathbf{z}(t), t)}{\partial \mathbf{z}(t)} \right) dt.$$

- ▶ **Discrete-in-time NF**: evaluation of determinant of the Jacobian costs $O(m^3)$ (we need invertible \mathbf{f}).
- ▶ **Continuous-in-time NF**: getting the trace of the Jacobian costs $O(m^2)$ (we need smooth \mathbf{f}).

Hutchinson's trace estimator

$$\log p(\mathbf{z}(t_1)) = \log p(\mathbf{z}(t_0)) - \mathbb{E}_{p(\epsilon)} \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \left[\epsilon^T \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}}{\partial \mathbf{z}} \epsilon \right] dt.$$

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Neural ODE

Continuous-in-time NF

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d\mathbf{z}(t)}{dt} &= \mathbf{f}_{\theta}(\mathbf{z}(t), t) & \frac{d \log p(\mathbf{z}(t), t)}{dt} &= -\text{tr} \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{\theta}(\mathbf{z}(t), t)}{\partial \mathbf{z}(t)} \right) \\ \mathbf{x} &= \mathbf{z} + \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \mathbf{f}_{\theta}(\mathbf{z}(t), t) dt & \log p(\mathbf{x}|\theta) &= \log p(\mathbf{z}) - \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \text{tr} \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{\theta}(\mathbf{z}(t), t)}{\partial \mathbf{z}(t)} \right) dt\end{aligned}$$

How to get optimal parameters of θ ?

For fitting parameters we need gradients. We need the analogue of the backpropagation.

Forward pass (Loss function)

$$\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{x} + \int_{t_1}^{t_0} \mathbf{f}_{\theta}(\mathbf{z}(t), t) dt, \quad L(\mathbf{z}) = -\log p(\mathbf{x}|\theta)$$

$$L(\mathbf{z}) = -\log p(\mathbf{z}) + \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \text{tr} \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{\theta}(\mathbf{z}(t), t)}{\partial \mathbf{z}(t)} \right) dt$$

Neural ODE

Adjoint functions

$$\mathbf{a}_z(t) = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{z}(t)}; \quad \mathbf{a}_\theta(t) = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta(t)}.$$

These functions show how the gradient of the loss depends on the hidden state $\mathbf{z}(t)$ and parameters θ .

Theorem (Pontryagin)

$$\frac{d\mathbf{a}_z(t)}{dt} = -\mathbf{a}_z(t)^T \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_\theta(\mathbf{z}(t), t)}{\partial \mathbf{z}}; \quad \frac{d\mathbf{a}_\theta(t)}{dt} = -\mathbf{a}_z(t)^T \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_\theta(\mathbf{z}(t), t)}{\partial \theta}.$$

Solution for adjoint function

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta(t_1)} &= \mathbf{a}_\theta(t_1) = - \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \mathbf{a}_z(t)^T \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_\theta(\mathbf{z}(t), t)}{\partial \theta(t)} dt + 0 \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{z}(t_1)} &= \mathbf{a}_z(t_1) = - \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \mathbf{a}_z(t)^T \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_\theta(\mathbf{z}(t), t)}{\partial \mathbf{z}(t)} dt + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{z}(t_0)} \end{aligned}$$

Note: These equations are solved in reverse time direction.

Adjoint method

Forward pass

$$\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{z}(t_0) = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \mathbf{f}_{\theta}(\mathbf{z}(t), t) dt + \mathbf{x} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \text{ODE Solver}$$

Backward pass

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta(t_1)} &= \mathbf{a}_{\theta}(t_1) = - \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{z}}(t)^T \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{\theta}(\mathbf{z}(t), t)}{\partial \theta(t)} dt + 0 \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{z}(t_1)} &= \mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{z}}(t_1) = - \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{z}}(t)^T \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{\theta}(\mathbf{z}(t), t)}{\partial \mathbf{z}(t)} dt + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{z}(t_0)} \\ \mathbf{z}(t_1) &= - \int_{t_1}^{t_0} \mathbf{f}_{\theta}(\mathbf{z}(t), t) dt + \mathbf{z}_0. \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \text{ODE Solver}$$

Note: These scary formulas are the standard backprop in the discrete case.

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Bayesian framework

Bayes theorem

$$p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{t})p(\mathbf{t})}{p(\mathbf{x})} = \frac{p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{t})p(\mathbf{t})}{\int p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{t})p(\mathbf{t})d\mathbf{t}}$$

- ▶ \mathbf{x} – observed variables, \mathbf{t} – unobserved variables (latent variables/parameters);
- ▶ $p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{t})$ – likelihood;
- ▶ $p(\mathbf{x}) = \int p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{t})p(\mathbf{t})d\mathbf{t}$ – evidence;
- ▶ $p(\mathbf{t})$ – prior distribution, $p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{x})$ – posterior distribution.

Meaning

We have unobserved variables \mathbf{t} and some prior knowledge about them $p(\mathbf{t})$. Then, the data \mathbf{x} has been observed. Posterior distribution $p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{x})$ summarizes the knowledge after the observations.

Bayesian framework

Let consider the case, where the unobserved variables \mathbf{t} is our model parameters θ .

- ▶ $\mathbf{X} = \{\mathbf{x}_i\}_{i=1}^n$ – observed samples;
- ▶ $p(\theta)$ – prior parameters distribution (we treat model parameters θ as random variables).

Posterior distribution

$$p(\theta|\mathbf{X}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{X}|\theta)p(\theta)}{p(\mathbf{X})} = \frac{p(\mathbf{X}|\theta)p(\theta)}{\int p(\mathbf{X}|\theta)p(\theta)d\theta}$$

If evidence $p(\mathbf{X})$ is intractable (due to multidimensional integration), we can't get posterior distribution and perform the exact inference.

Maximum a posteriori (MAP) estimation

$$\theta^* = \arg \max_{\theta} p(\theta|\mathbf{X}) = \arg \max_{\theta} (\log p(\mathbf{X}|\theta) + \log p(\theta))$$

Latent variable models (LVM)

MLE problem

$$\theta^* = \arg \max_{\theta} p(\mathbf{X}|\theta) = \arg \max_{\theta} \prod_{i=1}^n p(\mathbf{x}_i|\theta) = \arg \max_{\theta} \sum_{i=1}^n \log p(\mathbf{x}_i|\theta).$$

The distribution $p(\mathbf{x}|\theta)$ could be very complex and intractable (as well as real distribution $\pi(\mathbf{x})$).

Extended probabilistic model

Introduce latent variable \mathbf{z} for each sample \mathbf{x}

$$p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}|\theta) = p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{z}, \theta)p(\mathbf{z}); \quad \log p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}|\theta) = \log p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{z}, \theta) + \log p(\mathbf{z}).$$

$$p(\mathbf{x}|\theta) = \int p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}|\theta) d\mathbf{z} = \int p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{z}, \theta)p(\mathbf{z}) d\mathbf{z}.$$

Motivation

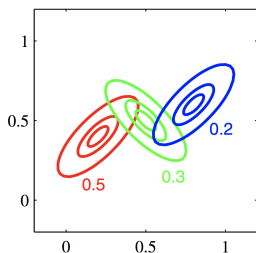
The distributions $p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{z}, \theta)$ and $p(\mathbf{z})$ could be quite simple.

Latent variable models (LVM)

$$\log p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \log \int p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta})p(\mathbf{z})d\mathbf{z} \rightarrow \max_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$$

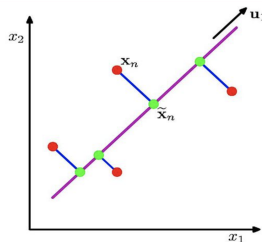
Examples

Mixture of gaussians



- ▶ $p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_z, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_z)$
- ▶ $p(\mathbf{z}) = \text{Categorical}(\boldsymbol{\pi})$

PCA model



- ▶ $p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{W}\mathbf{z} + \boldsymbol{\mu}, \sigma^2\mathbf{I})$
- ▶ $p(\mathbf{z}) = \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})$

Maximum likelihood estimation for LVM

MLE for extended problem

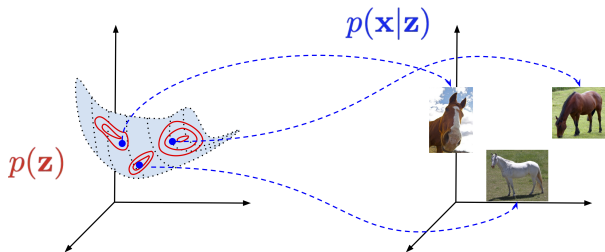
$$\begin{aligned}\theta^* &= \arg \max_{\theta} p(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z} | \theta) = \arg \max_{\theta} \prod_{i=1}^n p(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{z}_i | \theta) = \\ &= \arg \max_{\theta} \sum_{i=1}^n \log p(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{z}_i | \theta).\end{aligned}$$

However, \mathbf{Z} is unknown.

MLE for original problem

$$\begin{aligned}\theta^* &= \arg \max_{\theta} \log p(\mathbf{X} | \theta) = \arg \max_{\theta} \sum_{i=1}^n \log p(\mathbf{x}_i | \theta) = \\ &= \arg \max_{\theta} \sum_{i=1}^n \log \int p(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{z}_i | \theta) d\mathbf{z}_i = \\ &= \arg \max_{\theta} \sum_{i=1}^n \log \int p(\mathbf{x}_i | \mathbf{z}_i, \theta) p(\mathbf{z}_i) d\mathbf{z}_i.\end{aligned}$$

Naive approach



Monte-Carlo estimation

$$p(\mathbf{x}|\theta) = \int p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{z}, \theta) p(\mathbf{z}) d\mathbf{z} = \mathbb{E}_{p(\mathbf{z})} p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{z}, \theta) \approx \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{z}_k, \theta),$$

where $\mathbf{z}_k \sim p(\mathbf{z})$.

Challenge: to cover the space properly, the number of samples grows exponentially with respect to dimensionality of \mathbf{z} .

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Derivation 1 (inequality)

$$\begin{aligned}\log p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) &= \log \int p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) d\mathbf{z} = \log \int \frac{q(\mathbf{z})}{q(\mathbf{z})} p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) d\mathbf{z} = \\ &= \log \mathbb{E}_q \left[\frac{p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}|\boldsymbol{\theta})}{q(\mathbf{z})} \right] \geq \mathbb{E}_q \log \frac{p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}|\boldsymbol{\theta})}{q(\mathbf{z})} = \mathcal{L}(q, \boldsymbol{\theta})\end{aligned}$$

Derivation 2 (equality)

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}(q, \boldsymbol{\theta}) &= \int q(\mathbf{z}) \log \frac{p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}|\boldsymbol{\theta})}{q(\mathbf{z})} d\mathbf{z} = \int q(\mathbf{z}) \log \frac{p(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta})}{q(\mathbf{z})} d\mathbf{z} = \\ &= \int q(\mathbf{z}) \log p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) d\mathbf{z} + \int q(\mathbf{z}) \log \frac{p(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta})}{q(\mathbf{z})} d\mathbf{z} = \\ &= \log p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) - KL(q(\mathbf{z})||p(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}))\end{aligned}$$

Variational decomposition

$$\log p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \mathcal{L}(q, \boldsymbol{\theta}) + KL(q(\mathbf{z})||p(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta})) \geq \mathcal{L}(q, \boldsymbol{\theta}).$$

Variational lower bound (ELBO)

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}(q, \theta) &= \int q(\mathbf{z}) \log \frac{p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z} | \theta)}{q(\mathbf{z})} d\mathbf{z} = \\ &= \int q(\mathbf{z}) \log p(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{z}, \theta) d\mathbf{z} + \int q(\mathbf{z}) \log \frac{p(\mathbf{z})}{q(\mathbf{z})} d\mathbf{z} \\ &= \mathbb{E}_q \log p(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{z}, \theta) - KL(q(\mathbf{z}) || p(\mathbf{z}))\end{aligned}$$

Log-likelihood decomposition

$$\begin{aligned}\log p(\mathbf{x} | \theta) &= \mathcal{L}(q, \theta) + KL(q(\mathbf{z}) || p(\mathbf{z} | \mathbf{x}, \theta)) \\ &= \mathbb{E}_q \log p(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{z}, \theta) - KL(q(\mathbf{z}) || p(\mathbf{z})) + KL(q(\mathbf{z}) || p(\mathbf{z} | \mathbf{x}, \theta)).\end{aligned}$$

- Instead of maximizing incomplete likelihood, maximize ELBO

$$\max_{\theta} p(\mathbf{x} | \theta) \quad \rightarrow \quad \max_{q, \theta} \mathcal{L}(q, \theta)$$

- Maximization of ELBO by **variational** distribution q is equivalent to minimization of KL

$$\arg \max_q \mathcal{L}(q, \theta) \equiv \arg \min_q KL(q(\mathbf{z}) || p(\mathbf{z} | \mathbf{x}, \theta)).$$

Summary

- ▶ Adjoint method generalizes backpropagation procedure and allows to train Neural ODE solving ODE for adjoint function back in time.
- ▶ Bayesian framework is a generalization of most common machine learning tasks.
- ▶ LVM introduces latent representation of observed samples to make model more interpretative.
- ▶ LVM maximizes variational evidence lower bound (ELBO) to find MLE for the parameters.