Chapter 20

Deep Generative Models

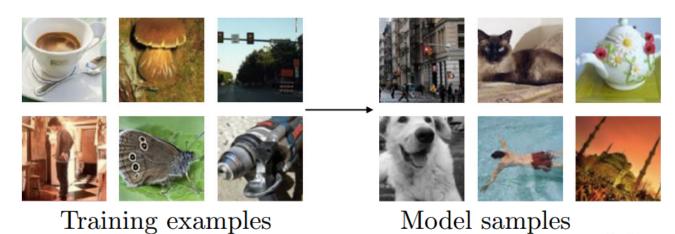
Generative Models

Models that are able to

ullet Provide an estimate of the probability distribution function, p_{data} , or



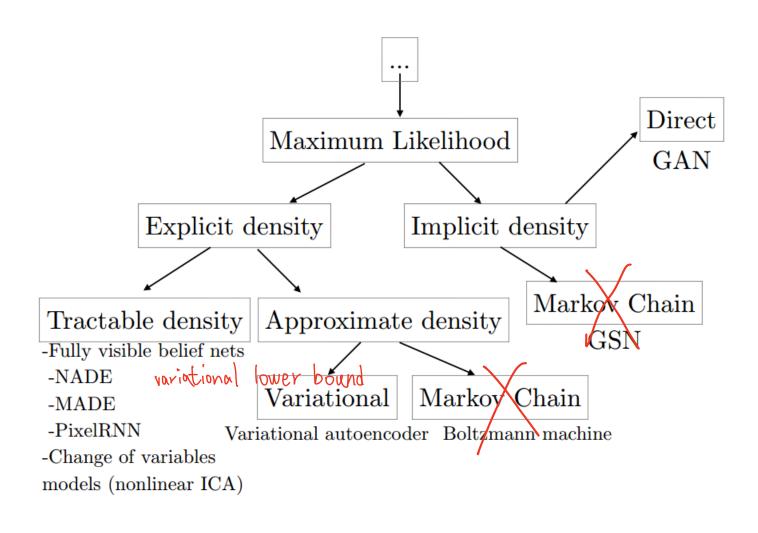
• Generate samples from a (likely implicit) distribution



Why Study Generative Models?

- Manipulation of high-dimensional, multi-modal distributions
- Potential uses in reinforcement learning, such as future state prediction
- Training with missing data (e.g. missing labels) and prediction on them
- Generation of realistic samples
- etc.

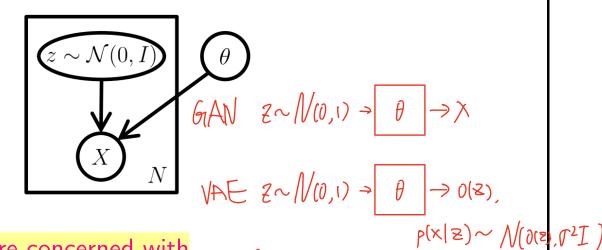
Taxonomy of Generative Models



- Explicit density, $p_{\mathsf{model}}(\boldsymbol{x};\boldsymbol{\theta})$
 - Tractable (trained with the ordinary ML)
 - Intractable/approximate (trained with approximate inference and/or MCMC approximations)
- Implicit density
 - Single-step sample generation via a network
 - Multi-step sample generation via Markov chains

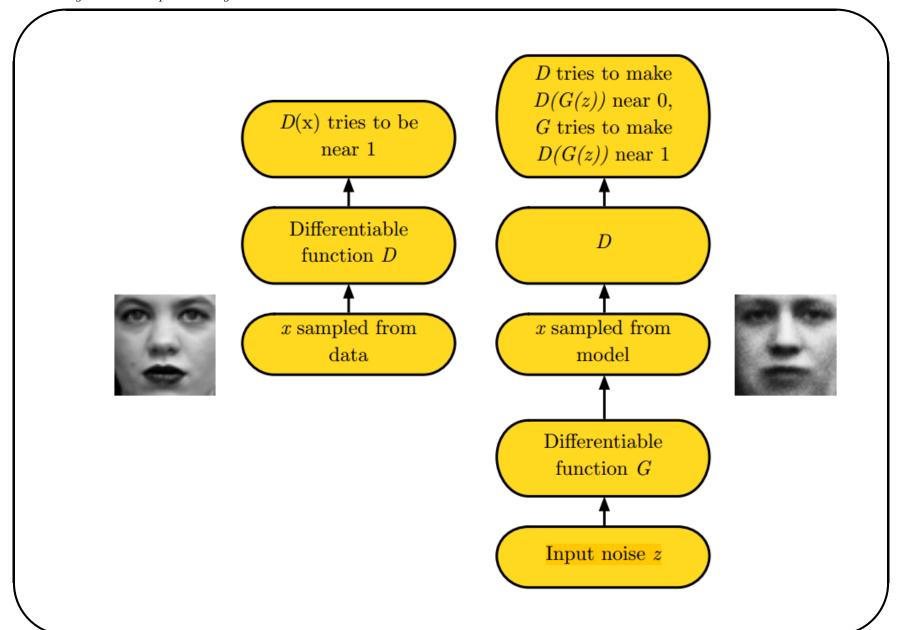
Generative Adversarial Networks (GAN)

- A differentiable generation network G, paired with a discriminator D for training
- ullet Generator G maps latent noises $oldsymbol{z} \sim p(oldsymbol{z})$ to visible variables $oldsymbol{x}$
 - Conceptually, a graphical model with the same structure as VAE
 - ${m x} = G({m z})$ can be regarded as a sample drawn from some $p_{m g}({m x})$



Generator is what we are concerned with

- ullet Discriminator D divides inputs into real and fake classes
 - An ordinary binary classifier trained supervisedly
 - Inputs are training examples (real) and generated samples (fake)



Training GANs: Two-Player Minimax Game

- $D(x; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(D)}), G(z; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(G)})$ can be implemented with neural networks, and each has their own cost to minimize $-\int_{\mathbb{R}^{N}} \int_{(x)\cdot P_{d}(x)} dx \int_{(x)\cdot P_{d}(x)\cdot P_{d}(x)} dx$
 - $\text{ Discriminator cost } \left(\text{cross-entropy cost} \right)_{\boldsymbol{z}} \sum_{\boldsymbol{z}} \log \operatorname{D}(\mathbf{x}_{\boldsymbol{z}}) \operatorname{D}(\mathbf{x}_{\boldsymbol{z}}) \operatorname{D}(\mathbf{x}_{\boldsymbol{z}}) \sum_{\boldsymbol{z}} \log \left(1 \operatorname{D}(\mathbf{x}_{\boldsymbol{z}}) \right) \operatorname{D}(\mathbf{x}_{\boldsymbol{z}}) \operatorname{D$

where D(x) denotes the probability of x being real

Generator cost

$$J^{(G)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(D)},\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(G)}) = -J^{(D)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(D)},\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(G)}) = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z} \sim \mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{z}}} \log \left(|- \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{\theta}(\mathbf{z})) \right)$$

Note that the sum of all players' costs is zero (zero-sum game)

Discriminator cost + Generator cost = ()

• The entire game can be summarized with a value function

$$V(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(D)},\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(G)}) \equiv -J^{(D)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(D)},\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(G)}) = \mathsf{E}_{\mathsf{X}\sim\mathsf{Pact}_{\mathsf{A}}} \log \mathsf{D}(\mathsf{X})$$
 and the objective is to find a generator
$$\mathsf{E}_{\mathsf{Z}\sim\mathsf{Pact}_{\mathsf{A}}} \log \left(\mathsf{I-D}(\mathsf{G}(\mathsf{Z}))\right)$$

$$\boldsymbol{\beta}^{(G)*} = \arg\min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(G)}} \max_{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(D)}} V(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(D)}, \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(G)})$$

Optimization vs. Game

• The solution to an optimization problem is generally a local minimum of an objective function in parameter space, e.g.

$$\arg\min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(G)},\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(D)}} V(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(D)},\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(G)})$$

where both $\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(G)}, \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(D)}$ are optimized simultaneously

• The solution to a game problem is generally a saddle point of an objective function in parameter space, e.g.

$$\arg\min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(G)}}\max_{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(D)}}V(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(D)},\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(G)})$$

where $m{ heta}^{(G)}, m{ heta}^{(D)}$ are optimized in turn by controlling one of them at a time with the other fixed

$$\mathcal{T}^{(D)}(x) = \mathbb{E}_{x \sim pdata}[\log D(x)] + \mathbb{E}_{x \sim po(x)}[\log(1-D(x))]$$

The Optimal Discriminator [Jost (x) log (x) + P2(x) log (1-)x

ullet For a given generator G, the optimal discriminator is seen to be

$$D_G^*(\boldsymbol{x}) = \frac{p_{\mathsf{data}}(\boldsymbol{x})}{p_{\mathsf{data}}(\boldsymbol{x}) + p_{\mathsf{g}}(\boldsymbol{x})} - \frac{\frac{p_{\mathsf{g}}(\kappa)}{p_{\mathsf{g}}(\kappa)}}{\frac{p_{\mathsf{g}}(\kappa)}{p_{\mathsf{g}}(\kappa)} + p_{\mathsf{g}}(\kappa)}$$

which can be obtained by having

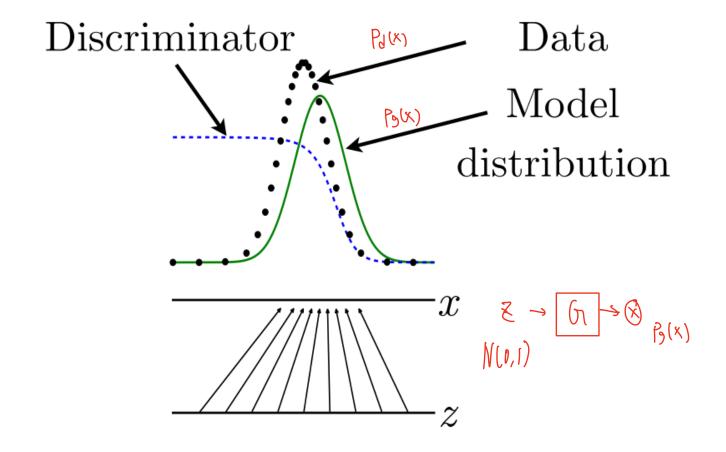
$$\frac{\delta}{\delta D(\boldsymbol{x})} J^{(D)}(\boldsymbol{x}) = 0 = \frac{\text{Polata(X)}}{D(X)} - \frac{\text{Pg(X)}}{\text{I-D(X)}} = 0$$

• When given enough capacity, the discriminator obtains an estimate

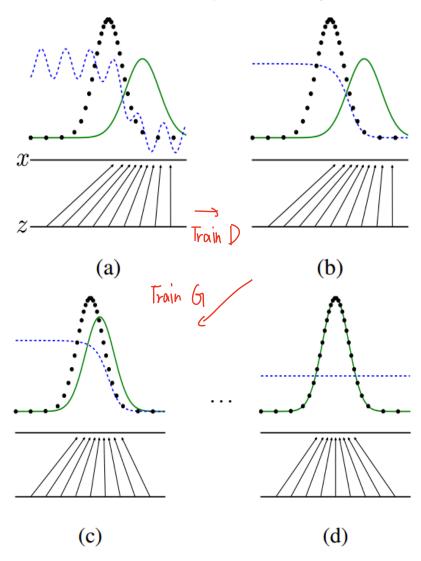
$$\frac{p_{\text{data}(\boldsymbol{x})}}{p_{\text{g}(\boldsymbol{x})}} \quad \text{yet via } \mathcal{D}_{\text{G}}^{\text{k}}(x) \qquad \qquad =) \; \left(|-|\right)(x_1) \; \text{partally} \\ -\left(|x|\right) \; \text{pg}(x) = 0$$

at every $oldsymbol{x}$

• This is the key that sets GANs apart from other generative models



• The generator is to learn a model by following a discriminator uphill



The Optimal Generator

• Given $D_G^*(x)$ and enough capacity, the optimal generator is to minimize the Jensen-Shannon divergence between $p_{\rm data}$ and $p_{\rm g}$

$$\begin{split} & \arg\min_{p_{\mathsf{g}}} E_{\boldsymbol{x} \sim p_{\mathsf{data}}} \log D_{G}^{*}(\boldsymbol{x}) + E_{\boldsymbol{x} \sim p_{\mathsf{g}}} \log (1 - D_{G}^{*}(\boldsymbol{x})) \\ & = \arg\min_{p_{\mathsf{g}}} E_{\boldsymbol{x} \sim p_{\mathsf{data}}} \log \frac{p_{\mathsf{data}}(\boldsymbol{x})}{p_{\mathsf{data}}(\boldsymbol{x}) + p_{\mathsf{g}}(\boldsymbol{x})} + E_{\boldsymbol{x} \sim p_{\mathsf{g}}} \log \frac{p_{\mathsf{g}}(\boldsymbol{x})}{p_{\mathsf{data}}(\boldsymbol{x}) + p_{\mathsf{g}}(\boldsymbol{x})} \\ & = \arg\min_{p_{\mathsf{g}}} - \log(4) + \mathsf{KL} \left(p_{\mathsf{data}} \parallel \frac{p_{\mathsf{data}} + p_{\mathsf{g}}}{2} \right) + \mathsf{KL} \left(p_{\mathsf{g}} \parallel \frac{p_{\mathsf{data}} + p_{\mathsf{g}}}{2} \right) \\ & = \arg\min_{p_{\mathsf{g}}} - \log(4) + 2 \times \mathsf{JSD}(p_{\mathsf{data}} \parallel p_{\mathsf{g}}) \end{split}$$

• The minimum is achieved when $p_{\rm g}=p_{\rm data}$, i.e. ${\sf JSD}(p_{\rm data} \parallel p_{\rm g})=0$

Remarks

- The optimization is done w.r.t. $p_{\rm g}$ directly
- The analysis for the discriminator is done w.r.t. $D(\boldsymbol{x})$
- Enough capacity in both contexts means that $D_G^*(x)$ and $p_g^*(x)$ can be implemented by $D(x; \theta^{(D)*})$ and $G(z; \theta^{(G)*})$, respectively

Implementation

Algorithm 1 Minibatch stochastic gradient descent training of generative adversarial nets. The number of steps to apply to the discriminator, k, is a hyperparameter. We used k=1, the least expensive option, in our experiments.

for number of training iterations do

for k steps do



- Sample minibatch of m noise samples $\{z^{(1)}, \ldots, z^{(m)}\}$ from noise prior $p_q(z)$.
- Sample minibatch of m examples $\{x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(m)}\}$ from data generating distribution $p_{\text{data}}(\boldsymbol{x})$.
- Update the discriminator by ascending its stochastic gradient:

$$\nabla_{\theta_d} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left[\log D\left(\boldsymbol{x}^{(i)}\right) + \log\left(1 - D\left(G\left(\boldsymbol{z}^{(i)}\right)\right)\right) \right].$$

end for

- Sample minibatch of m noise samples $\{z^{(1)}, \ldots, z^{(m)}\}$ from noise prior $p_g(z)$.
- Update the generator by descending its stochastic gradient:

$$\nabla_{\theta_g} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \log \left(1 - D\left(G\left(\boldsymbol{z}^{(i)} \right) \right) \right).$$

end for

The gradient-based updates can use any standard gradient-based learning rule. We used momentum in our experiments.

• (Convergence) If G and D have enough capacity, and at each step of Algorithm I, the discriminator is allowed to reach its optimum $D_G^*(x)$ given G, and p_g is updated to improve the criterion (reduce the cost)

$$E_{\boldsymbol{x} \sim p_{\mathsf{data}}} \log D_G^*(\boldsymbol{x}) + E_{\boldsymbol{x} \sim p_{\mathsf{g}}} \log(1 - D_G^*(\boldsymbol{x}))$$

then $p_{\rm g}$ converges to $p_{\rm data}$

 Nothing is said about the convergence when optimization is done based on simultaneous stochastic gradient descent in parameter space

Non-Convergence of Gradient Descent

Toy problem

$$\min_{x} \max_{y} V(x, y) = xy$$

 \bullet x, y are optimized based on gradient descent with a tiny learning rate

$$x(t + \Delta t) = x(t) - \Delta t \frac{\partial}{\partial x(t)} V(x(t), y(t))$$

$$y(t + \Delta t) = y(t) + \Delta t \frac{\partial}{\partial y(t)} V(x(t), y(t))$$

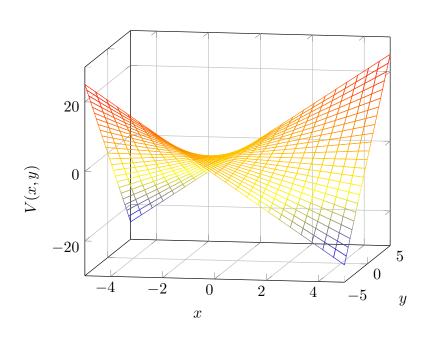
• This amounts to solving

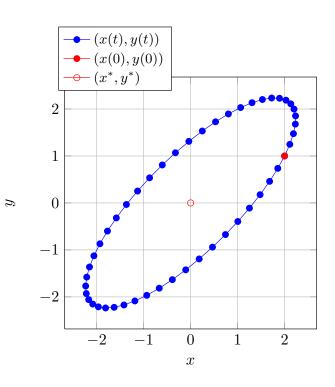
$$\begin{cases} x'(t) = -y(t) \\ y'(t) = x(t) \end{cases} \rightarrow x''(t) = -x(t)$$

which has a solution of the form

$$x(t) = x(0)\cos(t) + y(0)\sin(t)$$

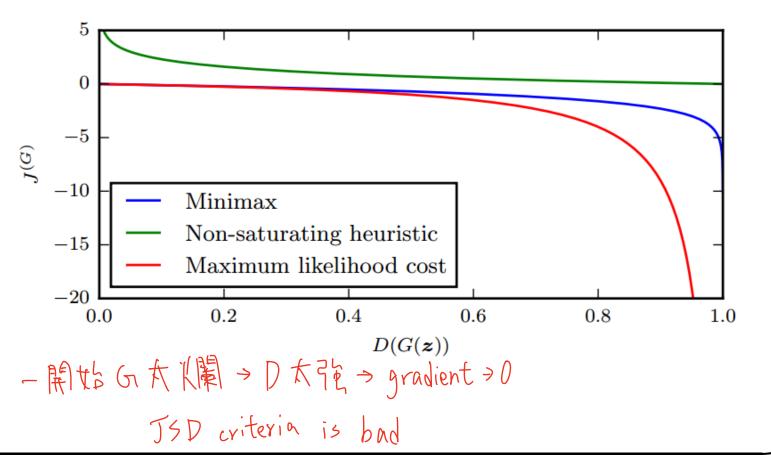
$$y(t) = x(0)\sin(t) + y(0)\cos(t)$$





Other Games

• Zero-sum game does not perform well in learning generator: gradients of $J^{(G)}$ w.r.t D(G(z)) vanish when the discriminator performs well



• Heuristic, non-saturating game (to ensure non-zero gradients)

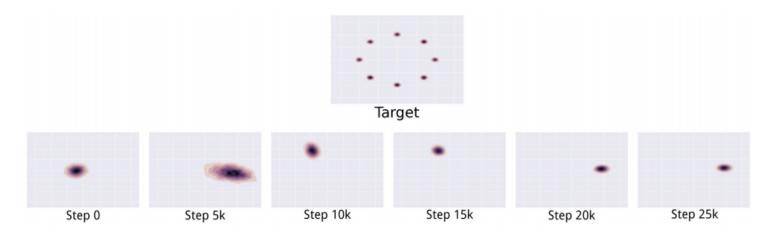
$$J^{(G)} = -E_z \log D(G(z))$$

Maximum likelihood game (to minimize KL divergence)

$$J^{(G)} = -E_z \exp(\sigma^{-1}(D(G(z)))$$

Mode Collapse Problem

• The generator learns to map different z to the same x



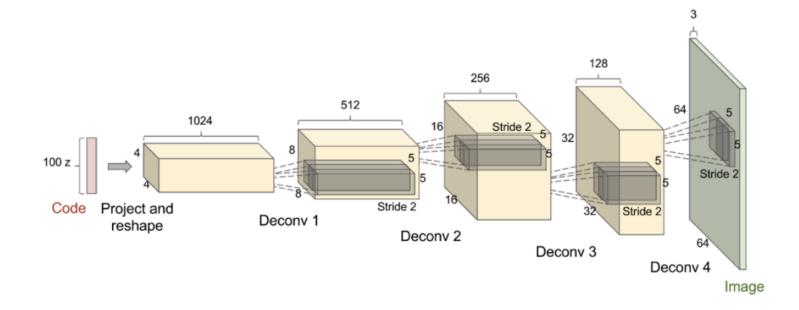
Top: Data distribution (Mixture Gaussian)

Bottom: Learned generator distribution over time

- The generator distribution produces only a single mode at a time and does not converge in this example
- This is acceptable in some applications but not all

DCGAN

• There are many different implementations for generators, such as DCGAN, LPGAN, and more (study by yourself)



Wasserstein GAN (WGAN)

- **Idea:** To adopt the Earth Mover distance (Wassertein distance) as the convergence criterion
- We have seen previously that training GAN is to learn a model distribution P_{θ} that should ideally converge to the data distribution P_r
- The convergence calls for a distance measure $\rho(P_r, P_\theta)$ to indicate how close these two distributions are
- To optimize the parameter θ , it is desirable that $\rho(P_r, P_\theta)$ is a continuous function in θ , or equivalently, the mapping $\theta \mapsto P_\theta$ is continuous (i.e., when $\theta_t \to \theta$, $P_{\theta_t} \to P_\theta$)
- The continuity depends on the distance measure

Elementary Distances

The Kullback-Leibler (KL) divergence

$$KL(P_r||P_{\theta}) = \int \frac{P_r(x)}{P_{\theta}(x)} P_r(x) dx$$

(undefined when there are x's where $P_r(x) \neq 0$ and $P_{\theta}(x) = 0$)

The Jensen-Shannon (JS) divergence

$$JS(P_r||P_{\theta}) = \underbrace{KL(P_r||P_m) + KL(P_{\theta}||P_m)}_{\mathbf{Z}}$$

where

$$P_m = (P_r + P_\theta)/2$$

The Earth Mover distance

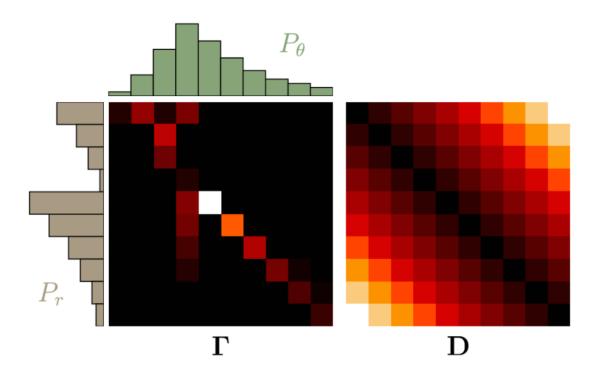
$$W(P_r, P_\theta) = \inf_{\gamma \in \Pi(P_r, P_\theta)} E_{(x,y) \sim \gamma}[\|x - y\|]$$
$$= \inf_{\gamma \in \Pi(P_r, P_\theta)} \sum_{x,y} \gamma(x,y) \|x - y\|$$

where $\Pi(P_r, P_{\theta})$ is the set of all joint distributions $\gamma(x, y)$ whose marginals are P_r and P_{θ} , respectively; that is,

$$\begin{cases} P_r(x) = \sum_{y} \gamma(x, y) \\ P_{\theta}(y) = \sum_{x} \gamma(x, y) \end{cases}$$

- Intuitively, $\gamma(x,y)$ indicates how much mass must be transported from y to x in order to transform the distribution P_{θ} into P_{r}
- The EM distance is the cost of the optimal transport plan

The Earth Mover (EM) Distance



$$\mathbf{\Gamma} = \gamma(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}), \ \mathbf{D} = \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|$$

$$W(P_r, P_{\theta}) = \inf_{\gamma \in \Pi(P_r, P_{\theta})} \langle \mathbf{\Gamma}, \mathbf{D} \rangle_F$$

Source: https://vincentherrmann.github.io/blog/wasserstein/



Comparison of Elementary Distances

- The EM distance is continuous and differentiable almost everywhere, whereas the JS divergence is not
- As such, the EM distance allows the model to learn a probability distribution over low dimensional manifolds by using gradient descent

Example 1 (Learning parallel lines). Let $Z \sim U[0,1]$ the uniform distribution on the unit interval. Let \mathbb{P}_0 be the distribution of $(0,Z) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ (a 0 on the x-axis and the random variable Z on the y-axis), uniform on a straight vertical line passing through the origin. Now let $g_{\theta}(z) = (\theta, z)$ with θ a single real parameter. It is easy to see that in this case,

•
$$W(\mathbb{P}_0, \mathbb{P}_{\theta}) = |\theta|,$$

$$JS(\mathbb{P}_0, \mathbb{P}_{\theta}) = \begin{cases} \log 2 & \text{if } \theta \neq 0 ,\\ 0 & \text{if } \theta = 0 , \end{cases}$$

see that in this case,
$$W(\mathbb{P}_0, \mathbb{P}_\theta) = |\theta|, \qquad \qquad P_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) \qquad \qquad \text{argmax} \left[E_{\mathbf{x} \sim p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x})} \log p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) \right] \\ \bullet JS(\mathbb{P}_0, \mathbb{P}_\theta) = \begin{cases} \log 2 & \text{if } \theta \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } \theta = 0 \end{cases}, \qquad \theta \qquad = \text{arg min } \mathsf{KL}\left(\left| P_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) \right| \left| P_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) \right| \right) \end{cases}$$

•
$$KL(\mathbb{P}_{\theta}||\mathbb{P}_{0}) = KL(\mathbb{P}_{0}||\mathbb{P}_{\theta}) = \begin{cases} +\infty & \text{if } \theta \neq 0, \\ 0 & \text{if } \theta = 0, \end{cases}$$





Linear Programming

 The EM distance between two distributions can be solved by linear programming/optimization

$$\min_{x} z = c^T x \text{ s.t.} \begin{cases} \frac{\hat{A}x = b \text{ marginal condition}}{x \geq 0 \text{ joint distribution } \geq 0} \end{cases}$$

• The dual problem (https://vincentherrmann.github.io/blog/wasserstein/)

$$\max_{oldsymbol{v}} \ ilde{z} = oldsymbol{b}^T oldsymbol{y} \ ext{ s.t. } oldsymbol{A}^T oldsymbol{y} \leq oldsymbol{c}$$

• (Weak Duality Theorem) \tilde{z} is a lower bound of z

$$z = c^T x \ge y^T A x = y^T b = \tilde{z}$$

• (Strong Duality Theorem) When we find an optimal solution to the dual problem, $\tilde{z} = z$ (the EM distance)

 $\gamma(x_1, y_1)$

ullet The term Ax=b

ullet The vector c

$$c = \begin{vmatrix} ||x_1 - y_1|| \\ ||x_1 - y_2|| \\ \vdots \\ ||x_2 - y_1|| \\ ||x_2 - y_2|| \\ \vdots \\ ||x_n - y_1|| \\ ||x_n - y_2|| \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ ||x_n - y_2|| \\ \vdots \end{vmatrix}$$

Now we can compute the EM distance using the dual form

$$\max_{oldsymbol{y}} \ ilde{z} = oldsymbol{b}^T oldsymbol{y} \ ext{ s.t. } oldsymbol{A}^T oldsymbol{y} \leq oldsymbol{c}$$

ullet The objective is to find $oldsymbol{y}$ such that $oldsymbol{b}^Toldsymbol{y}$ is maximized

$$m{b}^Tm{y} = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} p_r(x_1) & \cdots & p_r(x_n) & p_{\theta}(y_1) & \cdots & p_{\theta}(y_n) \end{array}\right] \left[\begin{array}{c} f(x_1) \\ f(x_2) \\ \vdots \\ \frac{f(x_n)}{g(x_1)} \\ g(x_2) \\ \vdots \\ g(x_n) \end{array}\right]$$

where the components of \boldsymbol{y} have been made functions of x_i

ullet The constraint $oldsymbol{A}^Toldsymbol{y} \leq oldsymbol{c}$ is given by

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ -\frac{1}{0} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ -\frac{1}{0} & 1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ -\frac{1}{0} & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{1}{0} & 0 & \cdots & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f(x_1) \\ f(x_2) \\ \vdots \\ f(x_n) \\ g(x_1) \\ g(x_2) \\ \vdots \\ g(x_n) \end{bmatrix} \le \begin{bmatrix} \|x_1 - y_1\| \\ \|x_1 - y_2\| \\ \|x_1 - y_2\| \\ \|x_2 - y_2\| \\ \vdots \\ -\frac{1}{0} - - - - \\ \|x_2 - y_1\| \\ \|x_2 - y_2\| \\ \vdots \\ g(x_n) \end{bmatrix}$$

• It is seen that

$$f(x_i) + g(x_j) \le ||x_i - y_j||, \ \forall i, j$$

• Because $x_i = y_i$, we further arrive at

$$f(x_i) + g(x_i) \le 0, \ \forall i = j$$

 $f(x_i) + g(x_j) \le ||x_i - x_j||, \ \forall i \ne j$

- For $b^T y$ to be maximized, both $f(x_i)$ and $g(x_i)$ need to be as large as possible since the components of b are all non-negative
- The optimal solution must thus have $f(x_i) + g(x_i) = 0 \Rightarrow g(x_i) = f(x_i)$
- ullet The constraint $oldsymbol{A}^Toldsymbol{y} \leq oldsymbol{c}$ then reduces to requiring

$$f(x_i) - f(x_j) \le ||x_i - x_j||$$
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which suggests f is Lipschitz continuous (with Lipschitz constant 1)

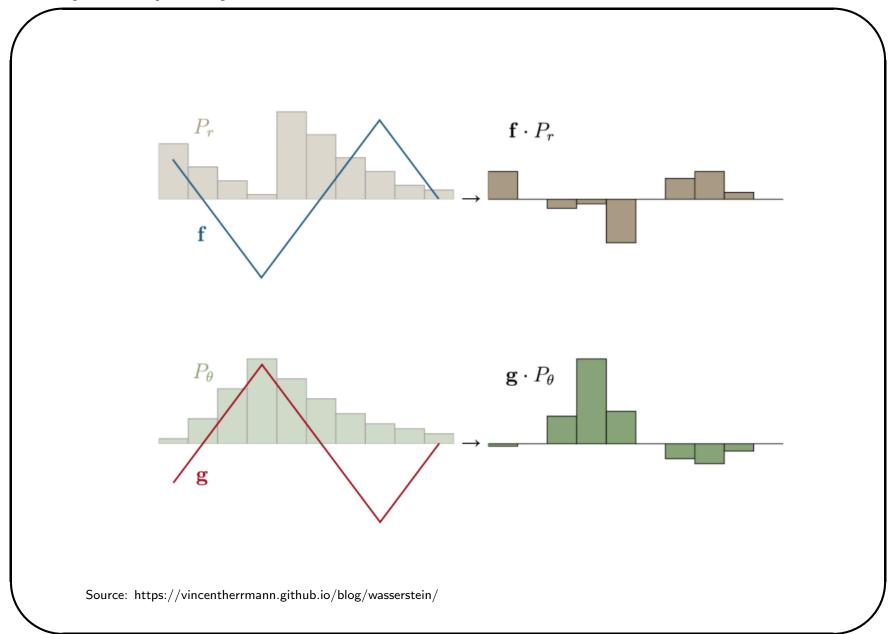
$$||f(x_i) - f(x_j)|| \le ||x_i - x_j||$$

• With this, searching for y to maximize b^Ty

$$\boldsymbol{b}^T\boldsymbol{y} = \left[\begin{array}{cccc} p_r(x_1) & \cdots & p_r(x_n) & p_\theta(y_1) & \cdots & p_\theta(y_n) \end{array}\right] \left[\begin{array}{c} f(x_1) \\ f(x_2) \\ \vdots \\ -f(x_n) \\ -f(x_1) \\ -f(x_2) \\ \vdots \\ -f(x_n) \end{array}\right]$$
 becomes to find a f among all the 1-Lipschitz functions such that
$$\max_{\|f\|_{L\leq 1}} E_{x\sim P_r}f(x) - E_{x\sim P_\theta}f(x) = \text{EM} \text{ distance}$$

becomes to find a f among all the 1-Lipschitz functions such that

$$\max_{\|f\|_{L<1}} E_{x\sim P_r} f(x) - E_{x\sim P_{\theta}} f(x) = \text{EM distance}$$



Training WGAN

• Training a generator $x = g_{\theta}(z), z \sim p(z)$ such that x has a distribution P_{θ} that converges to P_r in the EM distance $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$

$$\theta^* = \arg\min_{\theta} W(P_r, P_{\theta})$$

where the EM distance is evaluated by $E_{x \sim p_{\theta}(x)} + \{(x)\}$

$$W(P_r, P_{\theta}) = \max_{\|f\|_{L \le 1}} E_{x \sim P_r} f(x) - E_{z \sim p(z)} f(g_{\theta}(z))$$

• Assuming $\{f_w\}_{w\in\mathcal{W}}$ is a family of 1-Lipschitz (or k-Lipschitz) functions

$$W(P_r, P_\theta) = \max_{\{f_w\}_{w \in \mathcal{W}}} E_{x \sim P_r} f_w(x) - E_{z \sim p(z)} f_w(g_\theta(z))$$

The final objective becomes

$$\theta^* = \arg\min_{\theta} \max_{w \in \mathcal{W}} E_{x \sim P_r} f_w(x) - E_{z \sim p(z)} f_w(g_{\theta}(z))$$

where f_w (critic) and g_θ (generator) can be neural networks

• Under mild conditions, $W(P_r, P_\theta)$ is differentiable w.r.t. θ

$$\nabla_{\theta} W(P_r, P_{\theta}) = -E_{z \sim p(z)} \nabla_{\theta} f_w(g_{\theta}(z))$$

Algorithm 1 WGAN, our proposed algorithm. All experiments in the paper used the default values $\alpha = 0.00005$, c = 0.01, m = 64, $n_{\text{critic}} = 5$.

Require: : α , the learning rate. c, the clipping parameter. m, the batch size. n_{critic} , the number of iterations of the critic per generator iteration.

Require: : w_0 , initial critic parameters. θ_0 , initial generator's parameters.

GAN vs. WGAN

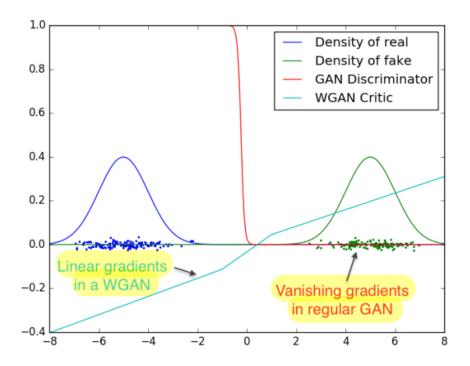


Figure 2: Optimal discriminator and critic when learning to differentiate two Gaussians. As we can see, the discriminator of a minimax GAN saturates and results in vanishing gradients. Our WGAN critic provides very clean gradients on all parts of the space.

InfoGAN

- Idea: To learn unsupervisedly disentangled representations for data through GAN
 - 1. Separate input noise into two parts z, c
 - 2. Learn a generator such that its output x = G(z, c) correlates highly with c, by maximizing the mutual information I(c; G(z, c))
- Objective function

$$\arg\min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(G)}} \max_{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(D)}} V(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(D)}, \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(G)}) - \underbrace{\lambda I(c; G(z, c; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(G)}))}_{}$$

where $\lambda > 0$

Mutual Information

ullet (Definition) The mutual information between two random variables $oldsymbol{x},oldsymbol{y}$ is given by

$$I(\boldsymbol{x}; \boldsymbol{y}) = \mathsf{KL}(p(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y}) || p(\boldsymbol{x}) p(\boldsymbol{y}))$$

$$= E[\log \frac{p(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y})}{p(\boldsymbol{x}) p(\boldsymbol{y})}]$$

$$= H(\boldsymbol{x}) - H(\boldsymbol{x} | \boldsymbol{y})$$

$$= H(\boldsymbol{y}) - H(\boldsymbol{y} | \boldsymbol{x})$$

where I(x; y) = 0 if and only if x, y are independent

• I(x; y) indicates the reduction of uncertainty about x (respectively, y) after observing y (respectively, x)

Variational Mutual Information Maximization

ullet Evaluating I(c;x) with x=G(z,c) needs to know the posterior p(c|x), which is intractable

$$I(c; x) = H(c) - H(c|x)$$

$$= H(c) + E_{x \sim G(z,c)} E_{c' \sim p(c|x)} [\log p(c'|x)]$$

• One way out of this difficulty is to introduce a variational function q(c|x) for approximating p(c|x)

$$I(c;x) = H(c) + E_{x \sim G(z,c)} E_{c' \sim p(c|x)} [\log p(c'|x) - \log q(c'|x)]$$
$$+ E_{x \sim G(z,c)} E_{c' \sim p(c|x)} [\log q(c'|x)]$$

• It is readily seen that

$$I(c;x) = H(c) + E_{x \sim G(z,c)} [\mathsf{KL}(p(c'|x)||q(c'|x))]$$

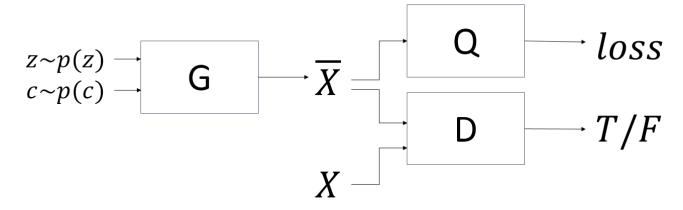
$$+ E_{x \sim G(z,c)} E_{c' \sim p(c|x)} [\log q(c'|x)]$$

$$\geq H(c) + \underbrace{E_{x \sim G(z,c)} E_{c' \sim p(c|x)} [\log q(c'|x)]}_{=H(c) + \underbrace{E_{c \sim p(c), x \sim G(z,c)} [\log q(c|x)]}_{}$$

The objective function of InfoGAN then becomes

$$\arg\min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(G)},\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(Q)}} \max_{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(D)}} V(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(D)},\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(G)}) - \underbrace{\lambda(E_{c \sim p(c),x \sim G(z,c)}[\log q(c|x;\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(Q)})])}_{}$$

• The term $E_{c \sim p(c), x \sim G(z, c)}[\log q(c|x; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(Q)})]$ can be evaluated by using the reparameterization trick (i.e., by inputting different z samples while fixing c and requiring that the output of Q be c again)



(a) Varying c_1 on InfoGAN (Digit type)

(b) Varying c_1 on regular GAN (No clear meaning)

Deep Boltzmann Machines (DBM)

• An energy-based generative model with an explicit density over binary visible ${m v}$ and hidden ${m h}^{(1)}, {m h}^{(2)}, {m h}^{(3)}$ variables

$$p(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}^{(1)}, \mathbf{h}^{(2)}, \mathbf{h}^{(3)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \frac{1}{Z(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \exp(-E(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}^{(1)}, \mathbf{h}^{(2)}, \mathbf{h}^{(3)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}))$$

where

$$E(\boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{h}^{(1)}, \boldsymbol{h}^{(2)}, \boldsymbol{h}^{(3)}; \boldsymbol{\theta})$$

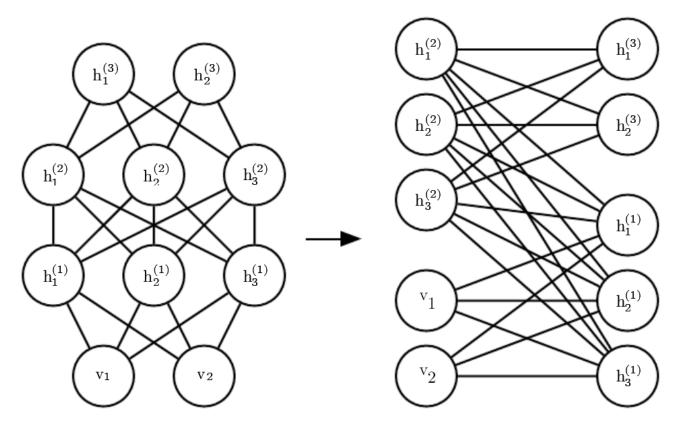
$$= -\boldsymbol{v}^T \boldsymbol{W}^{(1)} \boldsymbol{h}^{(1)} - \boldsymbol{h}^{(1)T} \boldsymbol{W}^{(2)} \boldsymbol{h}^{(2)} - \boldsymbol{h}^{(2)T} \boldsymbol{W}^{(3)} \boldsymbol{h}^{(3)}$$

and

$$m{ heta} = \{m{W}^{(1)}, m{W}^{(2)}, m{W}^{(3)}\}$$

Note that bias terms are omitted for simplicity

• Graphical model for DBM, where odd layers can be separated from even layers to reveal a bipartite structure



• As a result, variables in odd layers are conditionally independent given even layers and vice versa; this enables block Gibbs sampling

- Likewise, it is seen that variables in a layer are conditionally independent given the neighbouring layers
- In the case of two hidden layers, we have

$$p(v_i = 1 | \boldsymbol{h}^{(1)}) = \sigma(\boldsymbol{W}_{i,:}^{(1)} \boldsymbol{h}^{(1)})$$

$$p(h_i^{(1)} = 1 | \boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{h}^{(2)}) = \sigma(\boldsymbol{v}^T \boldsymbol{W}_{:,i}^{(1)} + \boldsymbol{W}_{i,:}^{(2)} \boldsymbol{h}^{(2)})$$

$$p(h_i^{(2)} = 1 | \boldsymbol{h}^{(1)}) = \sigma(\boldsymbol{h}^{(1)T} \boldsymbol{W}_{:,i}^{(2)})$$

 However, the posterior distribution of all hidden layers given the visible layer does not factorize because of interactions between layers

$$p(\mathbf{h}^{(1)}, \mathbf{h}^{(2)}|\mathbf{v}) \neq \prod_{j} p(h_{j}^{(1)}|\mathbf{v}) \prod_{k} p(h_{k}^{(2)}|\mathbf{v})$$

Approximate inference needs to be sought

DBM Mean Field Inference

ullet To construct a factorial $Q(m{h}|m{v})$ for approximating $p(m{h}|m{v})$

$$p(\mathbf{h}^{(1)}, \mathbf{h}^{(2)}|\mathbf{v}) \approx Q(\mathbf{h}|\mathbf{v}) = \prod_{j} q(h_{j}^{(1)}|\mathbf{v}) \prod_{k} q(h_{k}^{(2)}|\mathbf{v})$$

• In the present case, all hidden variables $h_j^{(1)}, h_k^{(2)}$ are binary; these $q(h|\boldsymbol{v})$ must have a functional form of the Bernoulli distribution, i.e.

$$q(h_j^{(1)}|\mathbf{v}) = (\hat{h}_j^{(1)})^{h_j^{(1)}} (1 - \hat{h}_j^{(1)})^{(1 - h_j^{(1)})}, \forall i$$
$$q(h_k^{(2)}|\mathbf{v}) = (\hat{h}_k^{(2)})^{h_k^{(2)}} (1 - \hat{h}_k^{(2)})^{(1 - h_k^{(2)})}, \forall k$$

where $\hat{h}_{j}^{(1)}, \hat{h}_{k}^{(2)} \in [0,1]$ are the corresponding parameters

• Carrying out the expectation (needs some work)

$$\tilde{q}_j(h_j|\boldsymbol{v}) = \exp(E_{q_{-j}}(\log p(\boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{h}^{(1)}, \boldsymbol{h}^{(2)}; \boldsymbol{\theta})))$$

yields the following fixed-point update equations

$$\hat{h}_{j}^{(1)} = \sigma \left(\sum_{i} v_{i} W_{i,j}^{(1)} + \sum_{k} W_{j,k}^{(2)} \hat{h}_{k}^{(2)} \right), \forall j$$

$$\hat{h}_k^{(2)} = \sigma \left(\sum_j W_{j,k}^{(2)} \hat{h}_j^{(1)} \right), \forall k$$

DBM Parameter Learning

- DBM learning has to confront both the intractable inference $p(\boldsymbol{h}|\boldsymbol{v})$ and the intractable partition function $Z(\boldsymbol{\theta})$
- Combined variational inference, learning, and MCMC is necessary
- ullet The objective then becomes to find $oldsymbol{W}^{(1)}, oldsymbol{W}^{(2)}$ that minimize

$$\mathcal{L}(Q, \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \sum_{i} \sum_{j} v_{i} W_{i,j}^{(1)} \hat{h}_{j}^{(1)} + \sum_{j} \sum_{k} \hat{h}_{j}^{(1)} W_{j,k}^{(2)} \hat{h}_{k}^{(2)} - \log Z(\boldsymbol{\theta}) + H(Q)$$

which can be done via gradient descent

$$\theta' = \theta - \varepsilon \nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(Q, \theta)$$

(study Algorithm 20.1)

• In general, layer-wise pre-training is needed to arrive at a good model

Set ϵ , the step size, to a small positive number Set k, the number of Gibbs steps, high enough to allow a Markov chain of $p(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}^{(1)}, \mathbf{h}^{(2)}; \boldsymbol{\theta} + \epsilon \Delta_{\boldsymbol{\theta}})$ to burn in, starting from samples from $p(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}^{(1)}, \mathbf{h}^{(2)}; \boldsymbol{\theta})$. Initialize three matrices, \tilde{V} , $\tilde{H}^{(1)}$ and $\tilde{H}^{(2)}$ each with m rows set to random values (e.g., from Bernoulli distributions, possibly with marginals matched to the model's marginals). while not converged (learning loop) do Sample a minibatch of m examples from the training data and arrange them as the rows of a design matrix V. Initialize matrices $\hat{H}^{(1)}$ and $\hat{H}^{(2)}$, possibly to the model's marginals. while not converged (mean field inference loop) do $\hat{\boldsymbol{H}}^{(1)} \leftarrow \sigma \left(\boldsymbol{V} \boldsymbol{W}^{(1)} + \hat{\boldsymbol{H}}^{(2)} \boldsymbol{W}^{(2)\top} \right).$ $\hat{\boldsymbol{H}}^{(2)} \leftarrow \sigma \left(\hat{\boldsymbol{H}}^{(1)} \boldsymbol{W}^{(2)} \right).$ end while $\Delta_{\mathbf{W}^{(1)}} \leftarrow \frac{1}{m} \mathbf{V}^{\top} \hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(1)}$ $\Delta_{W^{(2)}} \leftarrow \frac{1}{m} \hat{H}^{(1)} \top \hat{H}^{(2)}$ for l = 1 to k (Gibbs sampling) do Gibbs block 1: $\forall i, j, \tilde{V}_{i,j} \text{ sampled from } P(\tilde{V}_{i,j} = 1) = \sigma \left(\boldsymbol{W}_{j,:}^{(1)} \left(\tilde{\boldsymbol{H}}_{i,:}^{(1)} \right)^{\top} \right).$ $\forall i, j, \tilde{H}_{i,j}^{(2)} \text{ sampled from } P(\tilde{H}_{i,j}^{(2)} = 1) = \sigma\left(\tilde{\boldsymbol{H}}_{i,:}^{(1)} \boldsymbol{W}_{:,j}^{(2)}\right).$ Gibbs block 2: $\forall i, j, \tilde{H}_{i,j}^{(1)} \text{ sampled from } P(\tilde{H}_{i,j}^{(1)} = 1) = \sigma \left(\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{i,:} \mathbf{W}_{:,j}^{(1)} + \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_{i,:}^{(2)} \mathbf{W}_{j,:}^{(2)\top} \right).$ end for $\begin{array}{l} \boldsymbol{\Delta}_{\boldsymbol{W}^{(1)}} \leftarrow \boldsymbol{\Delta}_{\boldsymbol{W}^{(1)}} - \frac{1}{m} \boldsymbol{V}^{\top} \tilde{\boldsymbol{H}}^{(1)} \\ \boldsymbol{\Delta}_{\boldsymbol{W}^{(2)}} \leftarrow \boldsymbol{\Delta}_{\boldsymbol{W}^{(2)}} - \frac{1}{m} \tilde{\boldsymbol{H}}^{(1)\top} \tilde{\boldsymbol{H}}^{(2)} \end{array}$ $\boldsymbol{W}^{(1)} \leftarrow \boldsymbol{W}^{(1)} + \epsilon \Delta_{\boldsymbol{W}^{(1)}}$ (this is a cartoon illustration, in practice use a more effective algorithm, such as momentum with a decaying learning rate) $\boldsymbol{W}^{(2)} \leftarrow \boldsymbol{W}^{(2)} + \epsilon \Delta_{\boldsymbol{W}^{(2)}}$ end while

Topics Not Covered

- Optimization for training deep models (Chapter 8)
- Representation learning (Chapter 15)
- Back-prop through random operations (REINFORCE, Chapter 20)
- BM for real-valued data (Chapter 20)
- Generative Stochastic Networks (Chapter 20)
- Deep Belief Networks (Chapter 20)
- Other generative models (Chapter 20)