DEEP LEARNING WITH KL-DIVERGENCE: CODE DETAILS

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ABSTRACT. Abstract should concisely summarize the key findings of the paper. It should consist of a single paragraph containing no more than 150 words. The Abstract does not have a section number.

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1 Prerequisites: Discrete Time Model with KL-divergence

In this section we briefly introduce the idea in Wang et al. (2021).

1.1 Original Model

Let T_i denote the event time of interest and C_i be the censoring time for subject i with i = 1, ..., n and n is the total sample size. The observed survival time is $X_i = \min\{T_i, C_i\}$. Let $t_1, ..., t_K$ be the discrete failure time indexed by k = 1, ..., K. Let $\mathcal{D}_k, \mathcal{C}_k$ be the set of labels associated with individuals failing at time t_k and censoring at time t_k , respectively. Then the likelihood is given by

$$L = \prod_{k=1}^{K} \left\{ \prod_{i \in \mathcal{D}_k} f(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i) \prod_{i \in \mathcal{C}_k} S(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i) \right\}$$
 (1)

where $f(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i) = P(T_i = t_k | \mathbf{Z}_i)$ and $S(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i) = P(T_i > t_k | \mathbf{Z}_i) = \prod_{l:t_l \leq t_k} \{1 - \lambda(t_l; \mathbf{Z}_i)\}$ is the survival function. Denote $\lambda(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i) = g(\gamma_k + \mathbf{Z}_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta})$ with $g(u) = h^{-1}(u)$, then the log-likelihood is given by

$$l(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{k=1}^{K} Y_i(t_k) \left[\delta_i(t_k) \log \left\{ \frac{g(\gamma_k + \mathbf{Z}_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta})}{1 - g(\gamma_k + \mathbf{Z}_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta})} \right\} + \log \left\{ 1 - g(\gamma_k + \mathbf{Z}_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta}) \right\} \right]$$
(2)

where $\boldsymbol{\theta} = (\boldsymbol{\gamma}^T, \boldsymbol{\beta}^T)^T$, $Y_i(t_k) = I(X_i \ge t_k)$ and $\delta_i(t_k) = I(T_i = t_k)$. Note that for censored data, $\delta_i(t_k) = 0, k = 1, \ldots, n$.

1.2 Model with KL-divergence

Suppose λ_1, λ_2 are two hazard functions corresponding to two survival functions P_1, P_2 , then conditional on $T_i \geq t_k$, we have the KL-divergence

$$D_{KL}(P_1, P_2; t_k, \mathbf{Z}_i) = \lambda_1(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i) \log \left\{ \frac{\lambda_1(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i)}{\lambda_2(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i)} \right\} + (1 - \lambda_1(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i)) \log \left\{ \frac{1 - \lambda_1(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i)}{1 - \lambda_2(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i)} \right\}$$
(3)

So the KL-divergence for the subject i is defined as

$$D_{KL}(P_1, P_2; \mathbf{Z}_i) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} Y_i(t_k) D_{KL}(P_1, P_2; t_k, \mathbf{Z}_i)$$
(4)

Note that if P_1 is denoted as the external model and P_2 is the discrete time model in the internal dataset, then denote $\tilde{\lambda}(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i) = P_1(T_i = t_k \mid T_i \geq t_k, \mathbf{Z}_i)$, we have

$$D_{KL}(P_1, P_2; t_k, \mathbf{Z}_i) = \tilde{\lambda}(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i) \log \left\{ \frac{\tilde{\lambda}(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i)}{\lambda(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i)} \right\} + (1 - \tilde{\lambda}(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i)) \log \left\{ \frac{1 - \tilde{\lambda}(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i)}{1 - \lambda(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i)} \right\}$$
(5)

$$= -\tilde{\lambda}(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i) \log\{\lambda(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_k)\} - (1 - \tilde{\lambda}(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i)) \log\{1 - \lambda(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_k)\} + C$$
 (6)

Therefore

$$D_{KL}(P_1, P_2) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{k=1}^{K} Y_i(t_k) D_{KL}(P_1, P_2; t_k, \mathbf{Z}_i)$$
(7)

$$= -\sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{k=1}^{K} Y_i(t_k) [\tilde{\lambda}(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i) \log \left\{ \frac{g(\gamma_k + \mathbf{Z}_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta})}{1 - g(\gamma_k + \mathbf{Z}_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta})} \right\} + \log \left\{ 1 - g(\gamma_k + \mathbf{Z}_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta}) \right\}] + C \quad (8)$$

That is to say, for the model with penalized log-likelihood function

$$l_{\eta}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = l(\boldsymbol{\theta}) - \eta D_{KL}(P_1, P_2) \tag{9}$$

Then the likelihood function can simply be changed as

$$l_{\eta}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{k=1}^{K} Y_i(t_k) \left[\frac{\delta_i(t_k) + \eta \tilde{\lambda}(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i)}{\eta + 1} \log \left\{ \frac{g(\gamma_k + \mathbf{Z}_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta})}{1 - g(\gamma_k + \mathbf{Z}_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta})} \right\} + \log \left\{ 1 - g(\gamma_k + \mathbf{Z}_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta}) \right\} \right]$$
(10)

And for multiple external models' case, assume the penalized function is written as

$$l_{\eta}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = l(\boldsymbol{\theta}) - \sum_{m=1}^{M} \eta_m D_{KL}(P_{1,m}, P_2)$$
 (11)

$$l_{\eta}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{k=1}^{K} Y_i(t_k) \left[\frac{\delta_i(t_k) + \sum_{m=1}^{M} \eta_m \tilde{\lambda}(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i)}{\sum_{m=1}^{M} \eta_m + 1} \log \left\{ \frac{g(\gamma_k + \mathbf{Z}_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta})}{1 - g(\gamma_k + \mathbf{Z}_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta})} \right\} + \log \left\{ 1 - g(\gamma_k + \mathbf{Z}_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta}) \right\} \right]$$
(12)

where $\boldsymbol{\eta} = (\eta_1, \dots, \eta_m)^T$.

1.3 Code Details: Schur Component

See https://zhuanlan.zhihu.com/p/78884647

2 Deep Learning with KL-divergence

2.1 How to use Deep Learning?

Recall that

$$l_{\eta}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{k=1}^{K} Y_{i}(t_{k}) \left[\frac{\delta_{i}(t_{k}) + \eta \tilde{\lambda}(t_{k}; \mathbf{Z}_{i})}{\eta + 1} \log \left\{ \frac{g(\gamma_{k} + \mathbf{Z}_{i}^{T}\boldsymbol{\beta})}{1 - g(\gamma_{k} + \mathbf{Z}_{i}^{T}\boldsymbol{\beta})} \right\} + \log \left\{ 1 - g(\gamma_{k} + \mathbf{Z}_{i}^{T}\boldsymbol{\beta}) \right\} \right]$$
(13)

We can denote term $\frac{\delta_i(t_k) + \eta \tilde{\lambda}(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i)}{\eta + 1}$ as a probability, denoting as x. And note that $\lambda(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i) = g(\gamma_k + \mathbf{Z}_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta})$, we have

$$l_{\eta}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{k=1}^{K} Y_i(t_k) \left[x \log \left\{ \lambda(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i) \right\} + (1-x) \log \left\{ 1 - \lambda(t_k; \mathbf{Z}_i) \right\} \right]$$
(14)

This is just the Binary Cross Entropy loss with Data Expansion Operation. $\lambda(\cdot)$ is what deep learning will output.

Code (Original) Kvamme and Borgan (2019)

```
if events.dtype is torch.bool:
        events = events.float()
   events = events.view(-1, 1)
    idx_durations = idx_durations.view(-1, 1)
   y_bce = torch.zeros_like(phi).scatter(1, idx_durations, events) # TODO: Data Expansion!
   bce = F.binary_cross_entropy_with_logits(phi, y_bce, reduction='none')
   loss = bce.cumsum(1).gather(1, idx_durations).view(-1)
   return _reduction(loss, reduction)
Code (Our Model)
def newly_defined_loss(phi: Tensor, combined_info: Tensor, idx_durations: Tensor, events: Tensor,
                        reduction: str = 'mean') -> Tensor:
    # if phi.shape[1] <= idx_durations.max():</pre>
          raise ValueError(f"Network output `phi` is too small for `idx_durations`." +
                           f" Need at least `phi.shape[1] = {idx_durations.max().item() + 1}`," +
                           f" but got `phi.shape[1] = {phi.shape[1]}`")
    if events.dtype is torch.bool:
        events = events.float()
   events = events.view(-1, 1)
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    # y_bce = torch.zeros_like(phi).scatter(1, idx_durations, events) # TODO: Data Expansion!
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   loss = bce.cumsum(1).gather(1, idx_durations).view(-1)
   return _reduction(loss, reduction)
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