

Extending the Bayesian Deep Learning Method MultiSWAG

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Chapter 1

Introduction

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Chapter 2

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Chapter 3

Factor Analysis

FA is a latent variable model which generates observations $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^d$ as follows. First, a latent vector $\mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{R}^K$, for some $K < d$, is sampled from $p(\mathbf{h}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$. Next, \mathbf{h} is transformed onto a K -dimensional linear subspace of \mathbb{R}^d by left-multiplying it by a *factor loading* matrix $\mathbf{F} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times K}$. The origin of this subspace is then shifted by adding a bias term $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^d$. Finally, the data is perturbed by adding some zero mean Gaussian noise $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}^d$ sampled from $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \Psi)$, where Ψ is a $d \times d$ diagonal matrix [1]. Putting all this together, an observation $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^d$ is generated according to

$$\theta = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h} + \mathbf{c} + \varepsilon. \quad (3.1)$$

In this context, an observation θ is the parameter vector of a neural network.

It follows that, given \mathbf{h} , the observations θ are Gaussian distributed with mean $\mathbf{F}\mathbf{h} + \mathbf{c}$ and covariance Ψ . Formally,

$$p(\theta|\mathbf{h}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{F}\mathbf{h} + \mathbf{c}, \Psi) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^d |\Psi|}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\theta - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h} - \mathbf{c})^\top \Psi^{-1}(\theta - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h} - \mathbf{c})\right), \quad (3.2)$$

where $|\Psi|$ is the *determinant* of Ψ . From [1], integrating $p(\theta|\mathbf{h})$ over \mathbf{h} gives the marginal distribution

$$p(\theta) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{F}\mathbf{F}^\top + \Psi). \quad (3.3)$$

The parameters of the model are \mathbf{c} , \mathbf{F} and Ψ . The value of \mathbf{c} which maximises the likelihood of the observed data is the empirical mean of the observations [1], which in this case is θ_{SWA} . Having set the bias term, an EM or SVD algorithm can find the maximum likelihood estimates of \mathbf{F} and Ψ [1]. However, both methods require storing all the observations in memory, making them impractical for high-dimensional data with lots of observations. Two alternative online algorithms are presented in Section 3.1 and 3.2.

3.1 Online Gradient Algorithm for Factor Analysis

In situations where learning latent variable models with the classic EM algorithm is slow, [1] suggests optimising the log-likelihood of the model parameters via gradient methods. Since FA is a latent variable model, this approach can be applied here. In this case, the log-likelihood of the parameters \mathbf{F} and Ψ is

$$L(\mathbf{F}, \Psi) = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \log p(\theta_t | \mathbf{F}, \Psi). \quad (3.4)$$

The partial derivatives of the log-likelihood with respect to \mathbf{F} and Ψ are therefore

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{F}, \Psi} L(\mathbf{F}, \Psi) = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \nabla_{\mathbf{F}, \Psi} \log p(\theta_t | \mathbf{F}, \Psi). \quad (3.5)$$

Computing $\nabla_{\mathbf{F}, \Psi} L(\mathbf{F}, \Psi)$ in full would require a pass over all observations, $\theta_1, \dots, \theta_T$. However, a stochastic gradient algorithm can be used instead, as long as the expectation of the sample derivatives is proportional to $\nabla_{\mathbf{F}, \Psi} L(\mathbf{F}, \Psi)$. By using sample derivatives $\nabla_{\mathbf{F}, \Psi} \log p(\theta_t | \mathbf{F}, \Psi)$ for $t = 1, \dots, T$, this condition clearly holds. Hence, as long as the partial derivatives $\nabla_{\mathbf{F}, \Psi} \log p(\theta_t | \mathbf{F}, \Psi)$ can be computed efficiently, they can be used in conjunction with SGD or any of its variants to optimise \mathbf{F} and Ψ online. After each θ_t is sampled and used to perform a gradient step, it can immediately be discarded.

By adapting the argument for general latent variable models in [1] to FA, the required sample derivatives can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{\mathbf{F}, \Psi} \log p(\theta | \mathbf{F}, \Psi) &= \frac{1}{p(\theta | \mathbf{F}, \Psi)} \nabla_{\mathbf{F}, \Psi} p(\theta | \mathbf{F}, \Psi) \\ &= \frac{1}{p(\theta | \mathbf{F}, \Psi)} \nabla_{\mathbf{F}, \Psi} \int_{\mathbf{h}} p(\theta, \mathbf{h} | \mathbf{F}, \Psi) \\ &= \frac{1}{p(\theta | \mathbf{F}, \Psi)} \int_{\mathbf{h}} \nabla_{\mathbf{F}, \Psi} p(\theta, \mathbf{h} | \mathbf{F}, \Psi) \\ &= \frac{1}{p(\theta | \mathbf{F}, \Psi)} \int_{\mathbf{h}} p(\theta, \mathbf{h} | \mathbf{F}, \Psi) \nabla_{\mathbf{F}, \Psi} \log p(\theta, \mathbf{h} | \mathbf{F}, \Psi) \quad (3.6) \\ &= \int_{\mathbf{h}} \frac{p(\theta, \mathbf{h} | \mathbf{F}, \Psi)}{p(\theta | \mathbf{F}, \Psi)} \nabla_{\mathbf{F}, \Psi} \log p(\theta, \mathbf{h} | \mathbf{F}, \Psi) \\ &= \int_{\mathbf{h}} p(\mathbf{h} | \theta, \mathbf{F}, \Psi) \nabla_{\mathbf{F}, \Psi} \log p(\theta, \mathbf{h} | \mathbf{F}, \Psi) \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{h} \sim p(\mathbf{h} | \theta, \mathbf{F}, \Psi)} [\nabla_{\mathbf{F}, \Psi} \log p(\theta, \mathbf{h} | \mathbf{F}, \Psi)]. \end{aligned}$$

This is as far as the derivation in [1] goes. However, given the form of the FA model, it is possible to manipulate the sample derivatives further. In particular, using the fact

that $\mathbf{h} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$ is independent from \mathbf{F} and Ψ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \nabla_{\mathbf{F}, \Psi} \log p(\theta, \mathbf{h} | \mathbf{F}, \Psi) &= \nabla_{\mathbf{F}, \Psi} \log (p(\theta | \mathbf{h}, \mathbf{F}, \Psi) p(\mathbf{h} | \mathbf{F}, \Psi)) \\
 &= \nabla_{\mathbf{F}, \Psi} \log (p(\theta | \mathbf{h}, \mathbf{F}, \Psi) p(\mathbf{h})) \\
 &= \nabla_{\mathbf{F}, \Psi} (\log p(\theta | \mathbf{h}, \mathbf{F}, \Psi) + \log p(\mathbf{h})) \\
 &= \nabla_{\mathbf{F}, \Psi} \log p(\theta | \mathbf{h}, \mathbf{F}, \Psi).
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.7}$$

Substituting Equation (3.7) into Equation (3.6),

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{F}, \Psi} \log p(\theta | \mathbf{F}, \Psi) = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{h} \sim p(\mathbf{h} | \theta, \mathbf{F}, \Psi)} [\nabla_{\mathbf{F}, \Psi} \log p(\theta | \mathbf{h}, \mathbf{F}, \Psi)]. \tag{3.8}$$

Note that $p(\theta | \mathbf{h}, \mathbf{F}, \Psi)$ is just the Gaussian distribution in Equation (3.2) for the given values of \mathbf{F} and Ψ . Hence, substituting $\mathbf{c} = \theta_{\text{SWA}}$ into Equation (3.2) and applying the logarithm,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \log p(\theta | \mathbf{h}, \mathbf{F}, \Psi) &= -\frac{1}{2} (\theta - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h} - \theta_{\text{SWA}})^\top \Psi^{-1} (\theta - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h} - \theta_{\text{SWA}}) - \frac{1}{2} \log |\Psi| - \frac{d}{2} \log 2\pi \\
 &= -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h})^\top \Psi^{-1} (\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h}) - \frac{1}{2} \log |\Psi| - \frac{d}{2} \log 2\pi,
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.9}$$

where $\mathbf{d} = \theta - \theta_{\text{SWA}}$. This is convenient, since Equation (3.9) can be differentiated with respect to both \mathbf{F} and Ψ . Of course, this requires access to θ_{SWA} , which is not available during training. As a compromise, and following the approach in the SWAG covariance approximation, θ_{SWA} can be replaced by the running average of the neural network's parameter vectors.

3.1.1 Partial derivatives with respect to \mathbf{F}

Differentiating Equation (3.9) with respect to \mathbf{F} ,

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{F}} \log p(\theta | \mathbf{h}, \mathbf{F}, \Psi) = \Psi^{-1} (\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h}) \mathbf{h}^\top. \tag{3.10}$$

It then follows from Equation (3.8) that $\nabla_{\mathbf{F}} \log p(\theta | \mathbf{F}, \Psi)$ is the expected value of $\Psi^{-1} (\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h}) \mathbf{h}^\top$ over the distribution $p(\mathbf{h} | \theta, \mathbf{F}, \Psi)$. Letting $\mathbb{E}[\cdot]$ denote $\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{h} \sim p(\mathbf{h} | \theta, \mathbf{F}, \Psi)}[\cdot]$ to simplify the notation,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \nabla_{\mathbf{F}} \log p(\theta | \mathbf{F}, \Psi) &= \mathbb{E} [\Psi^{-1} (\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h}) \mathbf{h}^\top] \\
 &= \mathbb{E} [\Psi^{-1} \mathbf{d} \mathbf{h}^\top] - \mathbb{E} [\Psi^{-1} \mathbf{F} \mathbf{h} \mathbf{h}^\top] \\
 &= \Psi^{-1} \mathbf{d} \mathbb{E} [\mathbf{h}^\top] - \Psi^{-1} \mathbf{F} \mathbb{E} [\mathbf{h} \mathbf{h}^\top].
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.11}$$

From the E-step of the EM algorithm in [1], $p(\mathbf{h}|\theta, \mathbf{F}, \Psi) \propto \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{m}, \Sigma)$, where

$$\mathbf{m} = (\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{F}^\top \Psi^{-1} \mathbf{F})^{-1} \mathbf{F}^\top \Psi^{-1} \mathbf{d} \quad \text{and} \quad \Sigma = (\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{F}^\top \Psi^{-1} \mathbf{F})^{-1}. \quad (3.12)$$

Hence, substituting $\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{h}^\top] = \mathbf{m}^\top$ and $\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{h}\mathbf{h}^\top] = \Sigma + \mathbf{m}\mathbf{m}^\top$ into Equation (3.11),

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{F}} \log p(\theta|\mathbf{F}, \Psi) = \Psi^{-1} \mathbf{d} \mathbf{m}^\top - \Psi^{-1} \mathbf{F} (\Sigma + \mathbf{m}\mathbf{m}^\top). \quad (3.13)$$

3.1.2 Partial derivatives with respect to Ψ

In order to differentiate Equation (3.9) with respect to Ψ , it helps to use the fact that Ψ is a diagonal matrix. First consider $\mathbf{X}^{-1} = \text{diag}(\frac{1}{x_1}, \dots, \frac{1}{x_d})$ and $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_d)^\top$. Then

$$\mathbf{a}^\top \mathbf{X}^{-1} \mathbf{a} = \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{a_i^2}{x_i}, \quad (3.14)$$

and so

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \mathbf{a}^\top \mathbf{X}^{-1} \mathbf{a} = \frac{-a_i^2}{x_i^2} \quad (3.15)$$

for $i = 1, \dots, d$. Since the partial derivatives of Equation (3.14) with respect to the off-diagonal entries of \mathbf{X} are zero,

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{\mathbf{X}} (\mathbf{a}^\top \mathbf{X}^{-1} \mathbf{a}) &= \text{diag} \left(\frac{-a_1^2}{x_1^2}, \dots, \frac{-a_d^2}{x_d^2} \right) \\ &= -\text{diag} \left(\text{diag}(\mathbf{X}^{-2}) \odot (\mathbf{a} \odot \mathbf{a}) \right), \end{aligned} \quad (3.16)$$

where \odot denotes the element-wise matrix product. Note that when applied to a d -length vector, $\text{diag}(\cdot)$ represents the $d \times d$ diagonal matrix with the vector on its diagonal, and when applied to a $d \times d$ matrix, $\text{diag}(\cdot)$ represents the d -length vector consisting of the diagonal entries of the matrix.

Substituting $\mathbf{X} = \Psi$ and $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{d} - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h}$, into Equation (3.16),

$$\nabla_{\Psi} (\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h})^\top \Psi^{-1} (\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h}) = -\text{diag} \left(\text{diag}(\Psi^{-2}) \odot ((\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h}) \odot (\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h})) \right). \quad (3.17)$$

Also, using the identity $\nabla_{\mathbf{X}} \log |\mathbf{X}| = \mathbf{X}^{-\top}$ and the fact that $\Psi^{-\top} = \Psi^{-1}$,

$$\nabla_{\Psi} \log |\Psi| = \Psi^{-1}. \quad (3.18)$$

Hence, using Equation (3.17) and Equation (3.18), the partial derivatives of (3.9) with respect to Ψ are

$$\nabla_{\Psi} \log p(\theta|\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{F}, \Psi) = \frac{1}{2} \text{diag} \left(\text{diag}(\Psi^{-2}) \odot ((\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h}) \odot (\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h})) \right) - \frac{1}{2} \Psi^{-1}. \quad (3.19)$$

Again, letting $\mathbb{E}[\cdot]$ denote $\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{h} \sim p(\mathbf{h}|\boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathbf{F}, \boldsymbol{\Psi})}[\cdot]$, it follows from Equation (3.8) that

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \cdot \nabla_{\boldsymbol{\Psi}} \log p(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{F}, \boldsymbol{\Psi}) &= \mathbb{E} \left[\text{diag} \left(\text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\Psi}^{-2}) \odot ((\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h}) \odot (\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h})) \right) - \boldsymbol{\Psi}^{-1} \right] \\ &= \text{diag} \left(\mathbb{E} \left[\text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\Psi}^{-2}) \odot ((\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h}) \odot (\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h})) \right] \right) - \mathbb{E}[\boldsymbol{\Psi}^{-1}] \\ &= \text{diag} \left(\text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\Psi}^{-2}) \odot \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h}) \odot (\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h})] \right) - \boldsymbol{\Psi}^{-1}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.20)$$

Now, expanding the expectation inside Equation (3.20),

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h}) \odot (\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h})] &= \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{d} \odot \mathbf{d}] - 2\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{d} \odot \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h}] + \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{F}\mathbf{h} \odot \mathbf{F}\mathbf{h}] \\ &= \mathbf{d} \odot \mathbf{d} - 2\mathbf{d} \odot \mathbf{F}\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{h}] + \mathbb{E}[\text{diag}(\mathbf{F}\mathbf{h}\mathbf{h}^\top \mathbf{F})] \\ &= \mathbf{d} \odot \mathbf{d} - 2\mathbf{d} \odot \mathbf{F}\mathbf{m} + \text{diag}(\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{F}\mathbf{h}\mathbf{h}^\top \mathbf{F}]) \\ &= \mathbf{d} \odot \mathbf{d} - 2\mathbf{d} \odot \mathbf{F}\mathbf{m} + \text{diag}(\mathbf{F}\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{h}\mathbf{h}^\top] \mathbf{F}^\top) \\ &= \mathbf{d} \odot \mathbf{d} - 2\mathbf{d} \odot \mathbf{F}\mathbf{m} + \text{diag}(\mathbf{F}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma} + \mathbf{m}\mathbf{m}^\top) \mathbf{F}^\top) \\ &= \mathbf{d} \odot \mathbf{d} - 2\mathbf{d} \odot \mathbf{F}\mathbf{m} + \text{sum}(\mathbf{F}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma} + \mathbf{m}\mathbf{m}^\top) \odot \mathbf{F}, \text{dim} = 1), \end{aligned} \quad (3.21)$$

where $\text{sum}(\cdot, \text{dim} = 1)$ denotes the operation of summing along the rows of a matrix. Finally, substituting Equation (3.21) into Equation (3.20) and rearranging,

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{\boldsymbol{\Psi}} \log p(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{F}, \boldsymbol{\Psi}) &= \frac{1}{2} \text{diag} \left(\text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\Psi}^{-2}) \odot (\mathbf{d} \odot \mathbf{d} - 2\mathbf{d} \odot \mathbf{F}\mathbf{m} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \text{sum}(\mathbf{F}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma} + \mathbf{m}\mathbf{m}^\top) \odot \mathbf{F}, \text{dim} = 1)) \right) - \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\Psi}^{-1}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.22)$$

3.2 Online EM for Factor Analysis

The batch EM algorithm for FA in [1] can be adapted to an online version. The E-step of the batch algorithm sets the variational distribution $q(\mathbf{h}|\boldsymbol{\theta}_t, \mathbf{F}, \boldsymbol{\Psi}) \propto \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{m}_t, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$ for each $\boldsymbol{\theta}_t$, where \mathbf{m}_t and $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$ are the parameters in Equation (3.12) with \mathbf{d} replaced by $\mathbf{d}_t = \boldsymbol{\theta}_t - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{\text{SWA}}$. This can be done separately for each $\boldsymbol{\theta}_t$ as it is sampled, using the current estimates of \mathbf{F} and $\boldsymbol{\Psi}$. The only other detail is that $\boldsymbol{\theta}_{\text{SWA}}$, which is not available during training, must be replaced by the running average $\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_t$.

Modifying the M-step requires a bit more thought, as it involves summing over all $\boldsymbol{\theta}_t$. The M-step sets

$$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{H}^{-1}, \quad (3.23)$$

where

$$\mathbf{A} = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \mathbf{d}_t \mathbf{m}_t^\top \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{H} = \boldsymbol{\Sigma} + \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \mathbf{m}_t \mathbf{m}_t^\top, \quad (3.24)$$

and

$$\Psi = \text{diag} \left(\frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \mathbf{d}_t \mathbf{d}_t^\top - 2\mathbf{F}\mathbf{A}^\top + \mathbf{F}\mathbf{H}\mathbf{F}^\top \right). \quad (3.25)$$

Batch EM iterates the E and M-steps above until \mathbf{F} and Ψ converge. On each iteration of the M-step, all components of the sums in Equation (3.24) and Equation (3.25) are updated. Clearly, this is not possible in an online algorithm which only holds a single θ_t in memory at any one time. A compromise is to update the sums incrementally on epoch t , with \mathbf{d}_t and \mathbf{m}_t derived from θ_t and $\bar{\theta}_t$, and then fix these components of the sums for the remainder of the algorithm. This is the approach that will be adopted in the project.

Chapter 4

Conclusions

4.1 Final Reminder

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