



Markov Chain Monte Carlo

Quiz, 10 questions

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1.

Select correct statements



One can obtain sample from gaussian distribution using one sample from uniform



Un-selected is correct



One can obtain n multivariate gaussian samples $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ from n standard 1d gaussian samples.



Un-selected is correct



One can obtain sample from exponential distribution using one sample from uniform



Correct

Correct: If $X \sim \mathcal{F}$ is a random variable with CDF $F(x)$ that can be inverted analytically then $F^{-1}(u) \sim \mathcal{F}$ where $u \sim U[0, 1]$.
Correspondingly $-\frac{\log u}{\lambda} \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$.



One can obtain multivariate gaussian sample $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ from n standard 1d gaussian samples



Correct

Correct: any multivariate gaussian $X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \Sigma)$ can be represented as $\mu + \Sigma^{1/2}\epsilon$, where $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I)$.



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2.

What is a time complexity of an algorithm for sampling a random number from an arbitrary discrete distribution with support $\{1, \dots, N\}$



$O(N)$



Correct

Correct: prior to sampling we need to compute cumulative sums which is $O(N)$ operations.



$O(1)$



$O(\log N)$



$O(N \log N)$

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3.

What we can use Monte-Carlo method for?



Compute an integral of an arbitrary function over a simple area (e.g. a multidimensional cube)



Correct

Correct: just sample random points uniformly in the area and average the function values in those points. Note that usually this is not the best approach, although very scalable.



Compute the exact mode of a posterior distribution (MAP-estimation)



Un-selected is correct



Do full bayesian inference to estimate the uncertainty of you model.



Correct

Correct: see example in the lecture.



Estimate the expected values of arbitrary random variables



Correct

Correct: this is what Monte-Carlo method is for.



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4.

Which of the statements below are correct?



Any Markov chain converges to a stationary distribution



Un-selected is correct



Markov chain does not "remember" states other than current



Correct

Correct.



Any sequence of random variables $X_n : n \in \mathbb{N}$ can be considered as a Markov chain.



Un-selected is correct



All elements X_n of a Markov chain $X_n : n \in \mathbb{N}$ are independent random variables.



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Un-selected is correct



Any Markov chain is a sequence of discrete random variables, for example: $\{0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, \dots\}$.



Un-selected is correct



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5.

Which of the statements below are correct?



MCMC techniques are used when ones cannot perform bayesian inference analytically



Correct

Correct.



MCMC provides i.i.d. samples from desired distribution



Un-selected is correct



MCMC can be used to sample from the distribution known up to a normalization constant



Correct

Correct.



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6.

Which of the statements below are correct?



Gibbs sampling reduces multidimensional sampling to one-dimensional sampling.



Correct

Correct.



Gibbs sampling converges really fast because it provides very uncorrelated samples compared to Metropolis-Hastings algorithm

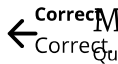


Un-selected is correct



Each iteration of Gibbs sampling changes only one coordinate of a latent vector





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Gibbs sampling is a special case of a Metropolis-Hastings algorithm.

Correct

Correct. Gibbs sampling is a special case of MH with acceptance rate equal to 1.



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7.

Which of the following is random in Bayesian Neural Networks?



Weights of the network w

Correct

Correct



Prediction of the network y given fixed input x

Correct

Correct. Prediction of the network y depends on the weights which are random variables.



Number of units on each layer of the network

Un-selected is correct



Number of active layers of the network

Un-selected is correct



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8.

What is a good way to train (find the posterior distribution $p(w|D)$) Bayesian Neural Network?



Iteratively sample each weight from the conditional distribution given all other weights and the data.



Run the stochastic gradient descent perturbing all network weights with independent Gaussian noise after each iteration.

Correct

Correct. This algorithm is called Langevin Monte Carlo and is proved to converge to the true posterior.



Compute the posterior distribution $p(\psi|D)$ analytically.

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9.

What does the word “Collapsed” means in the Collapsed Gibbs Sampling algorithm?



It means that we train the model on the subsample of the original data.



It means that posterior distribution over some of the variables is computed analytically, while other variables are sampled using Gibbs Sampling.



Correct

Correct



It means that the posterior approximation *collapses* to the are posterior distribution.



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10.

Which of the variables are randomly sampled in Collapsed Gibbs Sampling for LDA?



Z



Correct

Correct. Everything else can be computed analytically.



Φ, Θ



Φ, Θ, Z



Φ
