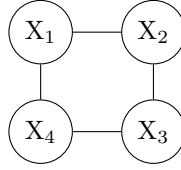


INFERENCE AND REPRESENTATION: HOMEWORK 2

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1.



Let's examine the statement

$$P(X_1 = 0, X_2 = 0, X_3 = 1, X_4 = 0) = 0,$$

true for the given P . If we assume that P allows a factorization according to graph H (above), it follows that at least one of the potentials $\psi_1(X_1 = 0, X_2 = 0)$, $\psi_1(X_2 = 0, X_3 = 1)$, $\psi_1(X_3 = 1, X_4 = 0)$, $\psi_1(X_4 = 0, X_1 = 0)$ must be equal to zero. However, it is easy to see that:

If $\psi_1(X_1 = 0, X_2 = 0) = 0$ or $\psi_1(X_4 = 0, X_1 = 0) = 0$, then $P(0, 0, 0, 0) = 0$;

If $\psi_1(X_2 = 0, X_3 = 1) = 0$, then $P(0, 0, 1, 1) = 0$;

If $\psi_1(X_1 = 0, X_2 = 0) = 0$, then $P(1, 1, 1, 0) = 0$,

each of which contradicts the formulation of the problem. \square

2. For the Boltzmann machine, the probability take form of:

$$P(x_1, \dots, x_n) \propto \exp\left(\sum_{(i,j) \in E} w_{i,j} x_i x_j - \sum_{i \in V} u_i x_i\right).$$

Let's denote $x'_j = 2x_j - 1$, $x_i \in \{0, 1\}$. Denote also $w'_{i,j} = \frac{w_{i,j}}{4}$, $u'_i = \frac{u_i}{2} - \sum_{j \in N} \frac{w_{i,j}}{4}$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned}
 P &\propto \sum_{i,j \in E} 4w'_{i,j} \frac{x'_i + 1}{2} \frac{x'_j + 1}{2} - \sum_{i \in V} (2u'_i + \sum_{j \in N} \frac{w'_{i,j}}{2}) \frac{x'_i + 1}{2}, \\
 &\propto - \sum_{i \in V} \left[2(u'_i + \sum_{j \in N} w'_{i,j}) \frac{x'_i + 1}{2} - \sum_{j \in N} (2w'_{i,j} \frac{x'_i + 1}{2} \frac{x'_j + 1}{2}) \right] \\
 &\propto - \sum_{i \in V} \left[2u'_i \frac{x'_i + 1}{2} - \sum_{j \in N} (2w'_{i,j} \frac{x'_i + 1}{2} \frac{x'_j + 1}{2} - \frac{w'_{i,j}}{2} \frac{x'_i + 1}{2}) \right] \\
 &\propto - \sum_{i \in V} u'_i x'_i - \sum_{j \in N} \frac{w'_{i,j}}{2} x'_i x'_j,
 \end{aligned}$$

which is just a log probability expression for an undirected graph with the Ising model distribution:

$$P(x'_1, \dots, x'_n) \propto \frac{1}{Z} \exp \left(\sum_{(i,j) \in E} w'_{i,j} x'_i x'_j - \sum_{i \in V} u'_i x'_i \right). \quad \square$$

3. To demonstrate that any discrete variables MRF can be converted into a pairwise Markov random field, we shall first find a pairwise form representation of the function $\psi_{123}(X_1, X_2, X_3)$. If variables X_i, X_2, X_3 take values in measurable spaces E_1, E_2, E_2 , let us define a new variable $Y: \Omega \rightarrow E_1 \times E_2 \times E_3$ that takes values of the form (y_1, y_2, y_3) , $y_i \in E_i$. We shall define functions

$$\psi_{Y_i}(Y, X_i) := \begin{cases} (\psi_{123}(y_1, y_2, y_3))^{1/3} & \text{if } y_i = x_i \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases},$$

for $i = 1, 2, 3$. This construction correctly reflects the relationship between X_1, X_2 , and X_3 , since:

$$\psi_{123}(X_1, X_2, X_3) = \sum_y \psi_{Y_1}(Y, X_1) \psi_{Y_2}(Y, X_2) \psi_{Y_3}(Y, X_3).$$

Thus we learned to obtain the pairwise representation by introducing new variables for every triplewise formula. To generalize this procedure, we must convert every higher-order clause to a set of triplewise formulas. We can add auxiliary third node to each pair of nodes and find triple-clique potential functions, following logic similar to the above.

4. (a).i. Multivariate Gaussian. The probability density function is:

$$P(X|\mu) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2}} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} x^T x + \mu^T x - \frac{1}{2} \mu^T \mu \right),$$

thus the canonical parameters of the exponential family are:

$$h(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2}} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} x^T x \right); \quad T(x) = x; \quad \eta = \mu; \quad A(\eta) = \frac{1}{2} \eta^T \eta.$$

ii. Dirichlet. The density is:

$$P(\theta|\alpha) = \prod_i \frac{1}{\theta_i} \exp \left(\sum_i \alpha_i \log \theta_i - \log \frac{\prod \Gamma(\alpha_i)}{\Gamma \sum \alpha_i} \right).$$

An exponential family is determined by parameters

$$h(\theta) = \prod_i \frac{1}{\theta_i}; \quad T(\theta) = [\log \theta_1, \dots, \log \theta_K]^T; \quad \eta = \alpha; \quad A(\eta) = \log \frac{\prod \Gamma(\eta_i)}{\Gamma \sum \eta_i}.$$

iii. Lognormal. The density is expressed as:

$$P(Y|\sigma) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}y} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \log^2 y - \frac{1}{2} \log(\sigma^2) \right).$$

Thus, the exponential family is parametrized by:

$$h(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}y}; \quad T(y) = \log^2 y; \quad \eta = -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}; \quad A(\eta) = -\frac{1}{2} \log(-2\eta).$$

iv. Maxwell-Boltzmann. The probability distribution corresponding to parameter $a > 0$ has the probability density function:

$$P_a(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \frac{1}{a^3} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2a^2}\right).$$

The function $h(x)g(\theta)\exp(\eta(\theta)T(x))$ with

$$h(x) = x^2; \quad g(\theta) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \theta^{-3}; \quad T(x) = x^2; \quad \eta(\theta) = -\frac{1}{2a^2}$$

is an exponential family.

(b)

$$P(Y = 1|x, \alpha) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left(-\alpha_0 - \sum \alpha_i \psi_i(x_1, \dots, x_k)\right)}.$$

A family of conditional densities for Y of the form above will be in a contradiction with conditional densities for X given Y unless the conditional distributions for X are in an exponential family whose statistics are the link functions ψ_i .

5. Any node can be chosen and treated as a root, defining a directed graph with edges pointing away from this node. Let's consider eliminating variables bottom-up, up to node i . The resulting factor is denoted $m_{ji}(x_i)$. For an undirected graph, we define the sum-product equation for each message that propagates from x_j to x_i , where ψ_j is the node potential. Node j receives messages from its neighbors and sums over them to pass to the node i . Here the product signifies all "previous" information, the sum adds in more relevant information while eliminating x_j .

$$m_{ji}(x_i) = \sum_{x_j} \left(\psi(x_j) \psi(x_i, x_j) \prod_{k \in (N(j) \setminus i)} m_{kj}(x_j) \right)$$

A node passes a message after it receives messages from its neighbors. It can be inductively proven (with induction in the number of nodes in the tree) that fixed-point messages can be used to compute the marginals in the form

$$p(x_i) \propto \psi(x_i) \prod_{k \in N(i)} m_{ki}(x_i).$$

For $n = 1$ the above is trivial. Let us now assume that the inductive claim holds for $n-1$ -th step. For an n -node tree reorder the nodes assigning them numbers in such way that the n -th node is a leaf that neighbors with the first node. The message sent from n -th to 1-st node is:

$$m_{n1}(x_1) = \sum_{x_n} \psi_n(x_n) \psi_{1n}(x_1, x_n).$$

Factorizing over potentials, we get

$$p(x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}) = \sum_{x_n} p(x_1, \dots, x_n) \propto m_{n1}(x_1) \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} \psi_i(x_i) \prod_{(k,l) \in E \setminus (1,n)} \psi_{kl}(x_k, x_l).$$

Note that all messages to be sent between all other nodes can be obtained via sum-product algorithm, and the potential on the first node will take the form:

$$\psi_1'(x_1) = m_{n1}(x_1)\psi_1(x_1).$$

We must demonstrate that for node n it holds that $p(x_n) \propto \psi_n(x_n)m_{1n}(x_n)$. By inductive claim, for nodes $1, \dots, n-1$ marginal probabilities are proportional to the product of incoming messages and the node potential. Thus, we have:

$$m_{1n} \propto \sum_{x_1} p(x_1) \frac{\psi_{1n}(x_1, x_n)}{m_{n1}(x_1, x_n)};$$

$$\psi_n(x_n)m_{1n}(x_n) \propto \psi_n(x_n) \sum_{x_1} \frac{p(x_1)\psi_{1n}(x_1, x_n)}{\sum_{x'_n} \psi_n(x'_n)\psi_{1n}(x_1, x'_n)}.$$

Noticing that $p(x_n|x_1) = \frac{p(x_1, x_n)}{p(x_1)} = \frac{\psi_n\psi_{1n}(x_1, x_n)}{\sum_{x'_n} \psi_n(x'_n)\psi_{1n}(x_1, x'_n)}$ we obtain, finally:

$$\psi_n(x_n)m_{1n}(x_n) \propto \sum_{x_1} p(x_1)p(x_n|x_1) = p(x_n).$$