# Math 789 Assignment 3

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Beginning from Eq. 2.1,

$$P(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-(x-\mu)^2/2\sigma^2}$$
 (1)

We want to use the fact that:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{\frac{\lambda}{2}x^2} dx = \left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \tag{2}$$

To verify Eq. 2.2 and 2.3 as well as to prove that  $\int p(x)dx = 1$ . I'll start by proving the latter.

By defining  $\lambda = \frac{1}{\sigma^2}$  and integrating Eq. 1, we can rewrite it as,

$$\int p(x)dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{\frac{-x^2}{2}\lambda} = (\frac{2\pi}{\lambda})^{\frac{1}{2}} (\frac{1}{2\pi})^{\frac{1}{2}} (\frac{1}{\sigma})$$
 (3)

$$\downarrow$$
 (4)

$$(\frac{1}{\sigma^2})^{\frac{1}{2}}(\frac{1}{\sigma}) = 1 \tag{5}$$

Now, to prove Eq. 2.2 in Bishop, we have to solve.

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-(x-\mu)^2/2\sigma^2} dx \tag{6}$$

$$\downarrow$$
 (7)

$$\frac{e^{-(x-\mu)^2/(2\sigma^2)} + (\frac{\pi}{2})^{\frac{1}{2}}\mu\sigma erf(\frac{x-\mu}{\sqrt{2}\sigma})}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma}\Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty} = \mu$$
 (8)

This validates Eq. 2.2. Now for Eq. 2.3:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{(x-\mu)^2}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-(x-\mu)^2/2\sigma^2} dx \tag{9}$$

$$\downarrow \tag{10}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}\sigma(\sigma erf(\frac{x-\mu}{\sqrt{2}\sigma}) + \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}}(\mu - x)e^{-(x-\mu)^2/(2\sigma^2)})|_{-\infty}^{\infty} = \frac{1}{2}\sigma(\sigma + \sigma) = \sigma^2 \quad (11)$$

This validates Eq. 2.3 as well!

Starting from Eq. 2.1:

$$P(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-(x-\mu)^2/2\sigma^2}$$
 (12)

and utilizing

$$E = -\ln L(\theta) = -\sum_{n=1}^{N} \ln P(x^n | \theta)$$
(13)

Plugging in P(x), we can simplify E to:

$$E = -\frac{N}{2} \ln 2\pi - \frac{N}{2} \ln \sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{j=1}^{N} (x_j - \mu)^2$$
 (14)

We can now differentiate with respect to the two variables,  $\mu$  and  $\sigma^2$ .

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial \mu} = \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{j=1}^{N} 2(x_j - \mu) = 0 \tag{15}$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^{N} x_j - \sum_{j=1} Nn\mu = 0 \tag{16}$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^{N} x_j - N\mu = 0 \tag{17}$$

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} x_j = \mu \tag{18}$$

This reproduces Bishop Eq. 2.21. Now we can differentiate with respect to  $\sigma^2$ .

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial \sigma^2} = -\frac{N}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{1}{2\sigma^4} \sum_{j=1}^{N} (x_j - \mu)^2 = 0$$
 (19)

Multiplying by  $\sigma^2$ :

$$\frac{N\sigma^2}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} (x_j - \mu)^2 = 0$$
 (20)

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^n (x_j - \mu)^2 \tag{21}$$

This validates Bishop Eq. 2.22.

#### Bishop 2.5

As usual, we will begin by assuming a distribution given by Bishop Eq. 2.1:

$$p(x^{n}|\mu) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-(x-\mu)^{2}/2\sigma^{2}}$$
 (22)

and a prior distribution given by:

$$p_0(\mu) = \frac{1}{\sigma_o \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-(\mu - \mu_o)^2 / 2\sigma_o^2}$$
 (23)

We know that the product of these two will result in an exponential term and a constant term. My goal is to only analyze what will happen inside the exponential term because if are able to get it in the form  $exp(-\frac{1}{2}\frac{\mu-\mu_N}{\sigma_N^2})$ , we can deduce what  $\mu_N$  and  $\sigma_N^2$  are. Multiplying the two distributions above, calling the catch all constant out front, A, and focusing on the exp() term will result in:

$$p_N(\mu|\chi) = A \exp\left(-\frac{(\mu - \mu_o)^2}{2\sigma_o^2} + \sum_{n=1}^N -\frac{(x^n - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$
 (24)

Any term not containing a  $\mu$  is in essence a multiplicative term that we will wrap up into A. With this in mind, we will foil and hide all unnecessary terms.

$$p_N(\mu|\chi) = A \, exp(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(\sigma^2 + N\sigma_o^2)\mu^2 - 2(\sigma^2\mu_o + N\overline{x}\sigma_o^2)\mu}{\sigma^2\sigma_o^2})$$
 (25)

We want to get rid of the coefficient in front of the  $\mu^2$  term so we can complete the square easily.

$$p_N(\mu|\chi) = A \, exp(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{\mu^2 - 2\frac{(\sigma^2 \mu_o + N\bar{x}\sigma_o^2)}{(\sigma^2 + N\sigma_o^2)} \mu}{\frac{\sigma^2 \sigma_o^2}{\sigma^2 + N\sigma^2}})$$
 (26)

Completing the square in the numerator leads to:

$$p_N(\mu|\chi) = A \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{\left(\mu - \frac{N\overline{x}\sigma_o^2 + \sigma^2\mu_o}{\sigma^2 + N\sigma_o^2}\right)^2}{\frac{\sigma_o^2\sigma^2}{\sigma^2 + N\sigma_o^2}}\right)$$
(27)

We finally have this in the form we need! The term subtracted from the  $\mu$  is  $\mu_N$  and the term in the denominator is  $\sigma_N^2$ .

$$\mu_N = \frac{N\overline{x}\sigma_o^2 + \sigma^2\mu_o}{\sigma^2 + N\sigma_o^2} , \ \sigma_N^2 = \frac{\sigma_o^2\sigma^2}{\sigma^2 + N\sigma_o^2}$$
 (28)

#### Bishop 2.9

I've generated two multivariate samples with the covariance matrix equal to the identity and the mean of each sample being,  $\mu_1 = 10$  and  $\mu_2 = 5$ .

My K-nearest neighbor predictor for different values of K are below. The k=1 case seems to be overfitting severely. It is making an effort to separate every point. It likely could not be generalized.

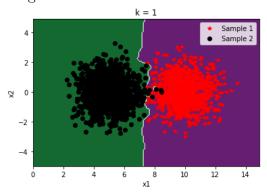


Figure 1: KNN best fit with k = 1.

The k=5 case does a good job of separating the two populations with good generality.

The k = 20 case seems to be averaging the populations which is arguably not the best fit.

Figure 2: KNN best fit with k = 5.

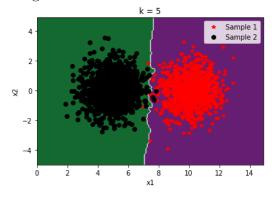
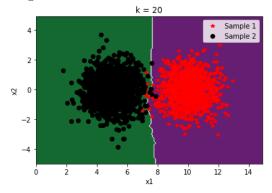


Figure 3: KNN best fit with k = 20.



Now, we will maximize  $\ln x - x - 1$ . The inequality says this should always be negative expect at x = 1. Therefore, we expect the maximum to be at x = 1.

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\ln x - x - 1) = 0 \tag{29}$$

$$\frac{1}{x} - 1 = 0 (30)$$

$$x = 1 \tag{31}$$

2.0 1.5 x=11.0 0.5 0.0 -0.5-1.0-1.5-2.01.75 0.50 0.75 1.00 1.25 1.50 0.25 2.00 0.00

Figure 4: Verifies the inequality  $\ln x \le x - 1$ 

Now, we will analyze the Kullback-Leibler distance is given by:

$$L = -\int p(x) \ln \frac{\tilde{p}(x)}{p(x)} dx \tag{32}$$

We will draw a parallel with the first part of this exercise by saying  $\frac{\tilde{p}(x)}{p(x)} = x$ .

$$\int p(x) \ln \frac{\tilde{p}(x)}{p(x)} dx \le \int p(x) \left(\frac{\tilde{p}(x)}{p(x)} - 1\right) dx \tag{33}$$

Differentiating both sides leads to:

$$\ln \frac{\tilde{p}(x)}{p(x)} \le \left(\frac{\tilde{p}(x)}{p(x)} - 1\right)$$
(34)

$$\ln \frac{\tilde{p}(x)}{p(x)} - \left(\frac{\tilde{p}(x)}{p(x)} - 1\right) \le 0 \tag{35}$$

Find the maximum, which is identical to what was done above:

$$\tilde{p}(x) = p(x) \tag{36}$$

Therefore,  $L \ge 0$  with equality if  $\tilde{p}(x) = p(x)$ .

Applying the Lagrangian to this case with the constraint,  $\sum_{i} q_{i} = 1$ .

$$-\sum_{i} p_{i} \ln(\frac{q_{i}}{p_{i}}) + \lambda(\sum_{i} q_{i} - 1) = 0$$
(37)

$$-\sum_{i} p_i \ln(q_i) + \sum_{i} p_i \ln(p_i) + \lambda \sum_{i} q_i - \lambda = 0(p_i + q_i + \lambda)$$
 (38)

Now, I will use a undetermined coefficients type method to solve this.

$$\lambda \sum_{i} q_i - \lambda = 0 \tag{39}$$

$$\sum_{i} q_i = 1 \tag{40}$$

This proves our constraint. Now to prove the second part,

$$-\ln(q_i) + \ln(p_i) = 0 \tag{41}$$

$$q_i = p_i \tag{42}$$

We've shown in the previous problem that if two discrete distributions are equal, the Kullback-Leibler distance is 0. And in this problem we proved that  $p_i = q_i$ . Therefore, the KL distance between them is 0.