

(*) we have:-

$$p^{(t+1)}(x) = p(x|\theta^{(t)}) \left(\prod_i e^{\Delta \theta_i^{(t)} f_i(x)} \right)$$

- subs for $p(x|\theta^{(t)})$ and $e^{\Delta \theta_i^{(t)}}$

$$= \frac{p^{(t)}(x)}{z(\theta^{(t)})} \prod_i \left(\frac{\sum_x \hat{p}(x) f_i(x)}{\sum_x p^{(t)}(x) f_i(x)} z(\theta^{(t)}) \right)^{f_i(x)}$$

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As $\sum_i f_i(x) = 1$

$$= p^{(t)}(x) \prod_i \left(\frac{\sum_x \hat{p}(x) f_i(x)}{\sum_x p^{(t)}(x) f_i(x)} \right)^{f_i(x)}$$

(GIS Algorithm)

(*) Exponential family, MLE, sufficient statistics. ☆☆ - import. for understanding method of empirical marginals

$$\ell(\theta; D) = \sum_x m(x) \log p(x|\theta)$$

$$= \sum_x m(x) \log \left[\frac{1}{z(\theta)} \exp \left\{ \sum_i \theta_i f_i(x) \right\} \right]$$

$$= \sum_x m(x) \left\{ \sum_i \theta_i f_i(x) - \log z(\theta) \right\}$$

$$= \sum_x m(x) \sum_i \theta_i f_i(x) - \log z(\theta) \sum_x m(x)$$

$$\sum_x m(x) = N$$

$$= \sum_x m(x) \sum_i \theta_i f_i(x) - N \log z(\theta)$$

(*) Taking derivatives wrt θ_i , setting to 0, i.e. going for an MLE est. :-

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \ell(\theta; D) = \sum_x m(x) f_i(x) - N \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \log z(\theta)$$

$$= \sum_x m(x) f_i(x) - N \sum_x p(x|\theta) f_i(x) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_x p(x|\theta) f_i(x) = \sum_x \frac{m(x)}{N} f_i(x) = \sum_x \hat{p}(x|\theta) f_i(x)$$

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(*) At ML estimate:-

- expectations of the sufficient statistics under the model must match the empirical feature average

- presumably former is $\sum_{\mathbf{x}} p(\mathbf{x}|\theta) f_i(\mathbf{x})$; and latter is $\sum_{\mathbf{x}} \hat{p}(\mathbf{x}|\theta) f_i(\mathbf{x})$.

(*) (2) - information theoretic and statistical physics ^{princ.} in ML

- Have to review (15) on exponentials and GLMS

(*) (3) - links with 36-705:

- sufficiency, exponentials

Pitman-Koopman-Pearson Theorem

(*) "Among families of probability distributions whose domain does not vary with the parameter being estimated, only in exponential families is there a sufficient statistic whose dimension remains bounded as sample size \uparrow "

(*) "Sufficiency sharply restricts possible forms of distri"

(2): leads to some interesting discussions by Peter Dacconis

(*) info-theory / statistical physics principles in ML

ex makes point for modelling:- (and to why exponential family comes up)

(2) (3) view exponential family as a solution to a constrained, variational optimis. problem in which objective is entropy or KL divergence; and constraints are that expectations under the distri are matched to expectations under the empirical distri.

- ex: Begin with fixed feature exp. $\sum_{\mathbf{x}} p(\mathbf{x}) f_i(\mathbf{x}) = \alpha_i$

(*) Assuming consistent exp; choose a distri:-

$$\max_p H(p(\mathbf{x})) = - \sum_{\mathbf{x}} p(\mathbf{x}) \log p(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\text{s.t. } \sum_{\mathbf{x}} p(\mathbf{x}) f_i(\mathbf{x}) = \alpha_i$$

$$\sum_{\mathbf{x}} p(\mathbf{x}) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow p^*(\mathbf{x}|\theta) = \frac{1}{Z(\theta)} \exp \left\{ \sum_i \theta_i f_i(\mathbf{x}) \right\}$$

i) variational in the sense of min/max or functional by choosing fn (distri)
ii) ~~obj~~

(*) more generally,

$$\min_p KL(p(x) \| h(x)) = \min_p \sum_x p(x) \log \frac{p(x)}{h(x)} = \min_p -H(p) - \sum_x p(x) \log h(x)$$

$$\text{s.t. } \sum_x p(x) f_i(x) = x_i$$

$$\sum_x p(x) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow p^*(x|\theta) = \frac{1}{Z(\theta)} h(x) \exp\left\{\sum_i \theta_i f_i(x)\right\}$$

(*) interpretation

(*) Maximum entropy principle:-

- From amongst distributions consistent with the data, select the distri^{p*} whose Shannon entropy is maximal

Amounts to choosing distri with maximal uncertainty, as defined by the entropy functional

(*) for KL divergence

- incorporates prior $h(x)$
- choose distri that contains 'least addit ass' above priors.

(*) Additional details on

info-theory - stat mech \rightarrow Jaynes (1967)

Jordan (2008) - Formulae & Trends Ch 3.

