

Take Home Computer Exam Bayesian Learning (732A91/TDDE07/732A73), 6 hp

Time:	8-12
Allowable material:	All aids are permitted during the exam with the following exceptions: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• You may not communicate with anyone else except the responsible teacher• You may not look at the solutions of any other students.
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Exam scores:	Maximum number of credits on the exam: 40. Maximum number of credits on each exam question: 10.
Grades (732A91):	A: 36 points B: 32 points C: 24 points D: 20 points E: 16 points F: <16 points
Grades (TDDE07):	5: 34 points 4: 26 points 3: 18 points U: <18 points

INSTRUCTIONS:

For full information, see the document *Info take home exam.pdf*.

You should submit your solutions via the Submission in LISAM.

Your submitted solutions must contain the following two things:

- A PDF named *ComputerSol.pdf* containing your computer-based solutions
- Files named *PaperSol* containing your hand-written solutions (when asked to answer on [Paper](#))

Full score requires clear and well motivated answers.

1. CLASSIFIERS

A company has developed two different machine learning based classifiers, C_1 and C_2 , for detecting whether an MR image of a brain contains a tumor or not. To evaluate the classifiers, the company has a large test set of images, which are labeled to indicate whether they contain a tumor or not. Let θ_1 denote the probability that C_1 makes a correct classification of a random image in the test set and let θ_2 denote the probability that C_2 makes a correct classification of a random image in the test set. Assume uniform priors for θ_1 and θ_2 .

In a first evaluation, each of the classifiers were evaluated on 100 randomly drawn images from the test set. Out of 100 images, C_1 classified 95 correctly, and out of 100 different images, C_2 classified 87 correctly.

- Credits: 2p.* Compute the posterior probability that $\theta_1 > 0.9$ and the posterior probability that $\theta_2 > 0.9$.
- Credits: 2p.* Compute the posterior probability that $\theta_1 > \theta_2$ and make an interpretation about this probability.
- Credits: 4p.* Compute a 95% Highest Posterior Density interval for the difference $\theta_1 - \theta_2$. You may use **density** to first make a kernel density estimate of the posterior of $\theta_1 - \theta_2$.
- Credits: 2p.* Compute the posterior predictive probability that a new random image from the test set is classified correctly, for each classifier.

2. BINOMIAL MODEL COMPARISON

Let $x_1, \dots, x_n | \theta \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Bin}(K, \theta)$ be n independent observations from the binomial distribution, where K is known. This problem should only be solved on [Paper](#).

- Credits: 3p.* Compute the posterior distribution for θ when the prior $\theta \sim \text{Beta}(\alpha, \beta)$ is used.
- Credits: 3p.* Show that the marginal likelihood of the data for the binomial model with Beta prior can be expressed as

$$p(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \frac{\prod_{i=1}^n \binom{K}{x_i} \cdot \Gamma(\alpha + \beta) \Gamma(S + \alpha) \Gamma(nK - S + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha) \Gamma(\beta) \Gamma(\alpha + \beta + nK)},$$

where $S = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$.

- Credits: 4p.* Assume that $n = 3$, $x_1 = 9$, $x_2 = 1$, and $x_3 = 9$. Do a Bayesian model comparison of two different Binomial models, M_1 and M_2 , which have the same $\text{Beta}(1, 1)$ -prior for θ , but where M_1 assumes $K = 10$ and M_2 assumes $K = 20$. Assume that both models are equally probable a priori, that is, that they have the same prior probability. What are your conclusions? [Hint: Any numerical computations can be carried out and reported in the submitted R-code. You may want to use the functions **gamma**, **beta** and **choose** in R.]

3. LISTENERS

The dataset `listeners`, which is loaded by the code in `ExamData.R`, contains the number of listeners (in millions) to the different songs of a music artist on an online music streaming service. The data are modeled as independent from a two-component mixture of normals (MN(2)) model, so the number of listeners x_i to song i is distributed as

$$p(x_i) = \pi \cdot \phi(x_i|\mu_1, \sigma_1^2) + (1 - \pi) \cdot \phi(x_i|\mu_2, \sigma_2^2),$$

where $\phi(x|\mu, \sigma^2)$ is the normal probability density function (pdf), and $\pi, \mu, \sigma_1^2, \mu_2$ and σ_2^2 are parameters of the MN(2) model.

- (a) *Credits: 3p.* Use the supplied function `GibbsMixNormal` to do Gibbs sampling for the MN(2) model. This function automatically sets non-informative priors for all parameters. Set the seed using `set.seed(100)` and run the Gibbs sampling algorithm with `nIter=1000` draws. Plot trajectories over the iterations for the μ_1 and μ_2 parameters, based on the produced samples, which can be found in the output of the function (`muSample`). Based on the plots, suggest a sufficient number of initial burn-in iterations, after which the chain has reached its stationary distribution.
- (b) *Credits: 4p.* Compute the posterior mean of all the parameters of the MN(2) model, and denote these $\hat{\pi}, \hat{\mu}, \hat{\sigma}_1^2, \hat{\mu}_2$ and $\hat{\sigma}_2^2$. Use the computed means to plot the following in a single figure: 1) a histogram of the data, 2) MN(2) model density (`MixDensMean` in the output of the function), 3) The scaled density of the first component $\hat{\pi} \cdot \phi(x_i|\hat{\mu}_1, \hat{\sigma}_1^2)$, 4) The scaled density of the second component $(1 - \hat{\pi}) \cdot \phi(x_i|\hat{\mu}_2, \hat{\sigma}_2^2)$.
- (c) *Credits: 3p.* The MN(2) model is used by the manager of the artist to analyze the artists' ability to produce hit songs (very popular songs). When seen as a generative model, datapoints that come from the mixture component of the MN(2) model with the largest μ value are seen as hit songs. Based on this interpretation, and the estimated model, what is the posterior predictive probability that a new song from the artist becomes a hit song? Given that a song is a hit song, what is the posterior predictive probability that the song gets more than 60 million listeners?

4. TRUNCATED ZINC

The concentration of zinc in $\mu\text{g/L}$ in blood samples from 390 human subjects was measured and the data can be found in the file `zinc` which is loaded by the code in `ExamData.R`. The measurements are assumed to be independent and follow a truncated normal distribution with density

$$p(x|\mu, \sigma) = \frac{\phi\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)}{\sigma\left(1 - \Phi\left(\frac{a-\mu}{\sigma}\right)\right)} \quad \text{for } x > a,$$

where $\phi(x)$ is the standard normal probability density function (pdf) and $\Phi(x)$ is the standard normal cumulative distribution function (cdf). $a = 400$ is the lower truncation point. The priors for μ and σ are both assumed to be normal with mean 1000 and standard deviation 100 and independent of each other.

- (a) *Credits: 5p.* Use numerical optimization to obtain a normal approximation of the *joint* posterior distribution of μ and σ . Print the posterior mean and covariance matrix. [Hints: use the argument `method=c("L-BFGS-B")` in `optim`, and `control=list(fnscale=-1)`].
- (b) *Credits: 5p.* Simulate from the actual posterior using the Metropolis-Hastings algorithm. As proposal density, use independent uniform distributions according to

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_p|\mu^* &\sim \text{Uniform}(\mu^* - 100, \mu^* + 100), \\ \sigma_p|\sigma^* &\sim \text{Uniform}(\sigma^* - 100, \sigma^* + 100), \end{aligned}$$

where μ^* and σ^* are the previous samples. Use $\mu = 1000$, and $\sigma = 1000$ as starting values, 1000 iterations burn-in and thereafter draw 3000 samples from the posterior. Evaluate the convergence of the sampler. Is the sampling algorithm efficient? Plot the univariate posterior distribution of μ together with your approximation in (a), and do the same for σ .

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