

Structured learning with latent variables

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1 Model

In our model, X is a set of input variables, Y is a set of output variables and H is a set of latent variables. $X \cup Y \cup H = V$ is set of all variables. (x_X, x_Y, x_H) follows a conditional model,

$$p(x_Y, x_H | x_X, w) = \frac{1}{Z(x_X; w)} \exp[w^T \phi(x_X, x_Y, x_H)] \quad (1)$$

Writing it as a log-linear model over complete representation,

$$p(x_Y, x_H | x_X, \theta) = \frac{1}{Z(x_X; \theta)} \prod_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \exp[\theta_{\alpha\beta\gamma}(x_\alpha, x_\beta, x_\gamma)] \quad (2)$$

Here $\alpha \subseteq X, \beta \subseteq Y, \gamma \subseteq H$ and $\alpha\beta\gamma \in F$. α, β and γ form a clique $\alpha\beta\gamma$ in the graph and is associated with a factor $\theta_{\alpha\beta\gamma}$.

We use power sum operator, which is defined as,

$$\sum_{x_i}^{\tau_i} f(x_i) = \left[\sum_{x_i} f(x_i)^{\frac{1}{\tau_i}} \right]^{\tau_i}$$

The power sum reduces to standard sum when $\tau_i=1$ and approaches to $\max_x f(x)$ when $\tau_i \rightarrow 0^+$. Define $\phi_A(\theta)$ for some subset A of variables V as following,

$$\phi_A(\theta) = \log \sum_{x_A}^{\tau_A} \exp \left[\sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \theta_{\alpha\beta\gamma}(x_\alpha, x_\beta, x_\gamma) \right]$$

τ_A is set of τ values associated with each variable in A . By setting these variables τ_A to 0 or 1, we can convert the equation above into max or sum problem.

2 Perceptron learning

To classify all data points correctly, we want, for each data point m

$$\sum_{x_H} p(x_Y^m, x_H | x_X^m; \theta) \geq \max_{x_Y} \sum_{x_H} p(x_Y, x_H | x_X^m; \theta)$$

Equivalently,

$$\sum_{x_H} p(x_X^m, x_Y^m, x_H | \theta) \geq \max_{x_Y} \sum_{x_H} p(x_X^m, x_Y, x_H | \theta)$$

Rewriting it using power sum operator,

$$\log \prod_{x_H}^{\tau_H} \exp \left[\sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \theta_{\alpha\beta\gamma}(x_\alpha^m, x_\beta^m, x_\gamma) \right] \geq \log \prod_{x_Y, x_H}^{\tau_Y, \tau_H} \exp \left[\sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \theta_{\alpha\beta\gamma}(x_\alpha^m, x_\beta, x_\gamma) \right]$$

Here τ_H is set of 1s and τ_Y is set of 0s. Power sum operations are applied in order, first on H variables then Y variables, along a fixed order and are not commutative.

The equation above can be written as,

$$\phi_H(\theta|x_X^m, x_Y^m) \geq \phi_{Y \cup H}(\theta|x_X^m)$$

Let's define L as,

$$L(\theta) = \phi_H(\theta|x_X^m, x_Y^m) - \phi_{Y \cup H}(\theta|x_X^m) \geq 0$$

As described in [1], including cost-shifting variables to both $\phi_H(\theta|x_X^m, x_Y^m)$ and $\phi_{Y \cup H}(\theta|x_X^m)$ in the equation above,

$$\begin{aligned} L(\theta, \delta, \zeta) = & \log \prod_{x_H}^{\tau_H} \exp \left[\sum_{i \in H} \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma \in N_i} \delta_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}(x_i) + \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma \in F} (\theta_{\alpha\beta\gamma}(x_\alpha^m, x_\beta^m, x_\gamma) - \sum_{i \in \gamma} \delta_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}(x_i)) \right] \\ & - \log \prod_{x_Y, x_H}^{\tau_Y, \tau_H} \exp \left[\sum_{i \in Y \cup H} \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma \in N_i} \zeta_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}(x_i) + \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma \in F} (\theta_{\alpha\beta\gamma}(x_\alpha^m, x_\beta, x_\gamma) - \sum_{i \in \beta\gamma} \zeta_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}(x_i)) \right] \end{aligned}$$

where $N_i = \{\alpha\beta\gamma | \alpha\beta\gamma \ni i\}$ is set of cliques incident to i. $\delta_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}$ and $\zeta_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}$ are set of cost-shifting variables defined on each variable-clique pair, which can be optimized to provide tighter upper bound later.

Using split-weights according to Theorem4.1 in [1],

$$\begin{aligned} L(\theta, \delta, \zeta, w, \omega) \approx & \sum_{i \in H} \log \prod_{x_i}^{w_i} \exp \left[\sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma \in N_i} \delta_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}(x_i) \right] + \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma \in F} \log \prod_{x_\gamma}^{w_\gamma} \exp \left[\theta_{\alpha\beta\gamma}(x_\alpha^m, x_\beta^m, x_\gamma) - \sum_{i \in \gamma} \delta_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}(x_i) \right] \\ & - \sum_{i \in Y \cup H} \log \prod_{x_i}^{\omega_i} \exp \left[\sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma \in N_i} \zeta_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}(x_i) \right] - \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma \in F} \log \prod_{x_{\beta\gamma}}^{\omega_{\beta\gamma}} \exp \left[\theta_{\alpha\beta\gamma}(x_\alpha^m, x_\beta, x_\gamma) - \sum_{i \in \beta \cup \gamma} \zeta_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}(x_i) \right] \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

Here, in first part of the equation, the new weights $w = \{w_i, w_i^\gamma | \forall (i, \gamma), i \in \gamma, w_i^\gamma \geq 0\}$ should satisfy,

$$w_i + \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma \in N(i)} w_i^\gamma = \tau_i$$

where $\tau_i \in \tau_H$ is 1 as we set it earlier. Similarly for the second part of the equation,

$$\omega_i + \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma \in N(i)} \omega_i^{\beta\gamma} = \tau_i$$

where $i \in Y \cup H$ and τ_i is either 0 or 1.

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Converting L in 3 to dual representations as described in Theorem-4.2 in [1],

$$L(\theta, b, b', w, \omega) = \max_{b \in L(G_1)} \left\{ \langle \theta, b \rangle + \sum_{i \in H} w_i H(x_i; b_i) + \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma \in F} \sum_{i \in \gamma} w_i^\gamma H(x_i | x_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}; b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}) \right\} \\ - \max_{b' \in L(G_2)} \left\{ \langle \theta, b' \rangle + \sum_{i \in Y \cup H} \omega_i H(x_i; b'_i) + \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma \in F} \sum_{i \in \beta\gamma} \omega_i^{\beta\gamma} H(x_i | x_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}; b'_{\alpha\beta\gamma}) \right\} \quad (4)$$

$pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}$ are variables that are summed out later than i in clique $\alpha\beta\gamma$. We can expand and rearrange conditional entropy terms in equation 4 and rewrite it as,

$$L(\theta, b, b', w, \omega) = \max_{b \in L(G_1)} \left\{ \langle \theta, b \rangle + \sum_{i \in H} w_i H(x_i; b_i) + \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma \in F} \left\{ w_1^\gamma H(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma}; b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}) + \sum_{[i,j] \sqsubseteq \gamma} (w_j^\gamma - w_i^\gamma) H(x_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}; b_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}) \right\} \right\} \\ - \max_{b' \in L(G_2)} \left\{ \langle \theta, b' \rangle + \sum_{i \in Y \cup H} \omega_i H(x_i; b'_i) + \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma \in F} \left\{ \omega_1^{\beta\gamma} H(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma}; b'_{\alpha\beta\gamma}) + \sum_{[i,j] \sqsubseteq \beta\gamma} (\omega_j^{\beta\gamma} - \omega_i^{\beta\gamma}) H(x_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}; b'_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}) \right\} \right\}$$

where $x_{\alpha\beta\gamma} = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_i, x_j, \dots, x_n\}$ such that i and j are adjacent in summation order.

2.1 Frank-Wolfe optimization

We need to optimize following function (with L2 regularizer),

$$L(\theta, b, b', w, \omega) = \max_{\theta} \left\{ \sum_{m=1}^M \max_{b^m \in L(G_1)} \min_{b'^m \in L(G_2)} \left\{ \langle \theta, b^m \rangle + \sum_{i \in H} w_i H(x_i; b_i^m) + \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma \in F} \left\{ w_1^\gamma H(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma}; b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^m) \right. \right. \right. \\ + \sum_{[i,j] \sqsubseteq \gamma} (w_j^\gamma - w_i^\gamma) H(x_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}; b_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}^m) \left. \left. \right\} - \langle \theta, b'^m \rangle - \sum_{i \in Y \cup H} \omega_i H(x_i; b'_i{}^m) - \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma \in F} \left\{ \omega_1^{\beta\gamma} H(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma}; b'_{\alpha\beta\gamma}{}^m) \right. \right. \\ + \sum_{[i,j] \sqsubseteq \beta\gamma} (\omega_j^{\beta\gamma} - \omega_i^{\beta\gamma}) H(x_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}; b'_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}{}^m) \left. \left. \right\} \right\} - \frac{\lambda}{2} \|\theta\|^2 \right\} \quad (5)$$

Below are second order partial derivatives with respect to θ and b , which are diagonal elements of Hessian matrix:

$$\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \theta_i^2} = -\lambda \\ \frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \theta_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^2} = -\lambda \\ \frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial b_i^{m2}} = -\frac{w_i}{b_i^m(x_i)} \\ \frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{m2}} = -\frac{w_1^\gamma}{b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^m} \\ \frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial b_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}^{m2}} = -\frac{(w_j^\gamma - w_i^\gamma)}{b_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}^m}$$

We can see that these terms are negative given $w_j^\gamma > w_i^\gamma$. Also, off diagonal terms of Hessian matrix are:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \theta_i b_i^m} &= 1 \\ \frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial b_i^m \theta_i} &= 1 \\ \frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \theta_{\alpha\beta\gamma} b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^m} &= 1 \\ \frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^m \theta_{\alpha\beta\gamma}} &= 1\end{aligned}$$

All other off-diagonal terms are zero. For the Hessian matrix to be diagonally dominant and negative semi-definite, following conditions need to hold for each clique $\alpha\beta\gamma$ and each assignment to x_i and $x_{\alpha\beta\gamma}$:

$$\begin{aligned}w_j^\gamma &\geq w_i^\gamma \\ \omega_j^{\beta\gamma} &\geq \omega_i^{\beta\gamma} \\ \lambda &> \frac{b_i^m(x_i)}{w_i} \\ \lambda &> \frac{b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^m(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma})}{w_1^\gamma}\end{aligned}$$

Extra constraints on $b_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}^m$ are following:

$$\begin{aligned}b_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}^m(x_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}) &= \sum_{j \preceq i} \sum_{x_j} b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^m(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma}) \\ b'_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}(x_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}) &= \sum_{j \preceq i} \sum_{x_j} b'_{\alpha\beta\gamma}(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma})\end{aligned}$$

If these constraints are satisfied, then L is concave in $\{\theta, b\}$ and convex in b' . Partial derivatives with respect to b' are similar to those of b , but with inverted sign. Since it is concave-convex formulation and b' is constrained to a compact domain, we can use Sion's min-max theorem to swap min and max operators while preserving equality. With θ on the inside, we can find optimal θ by setting gradient of L with respect to θ equal to zero. This optimal θ value comes out to be $\frac{\sum_{m=1}^M b^m - b'^m}{\lambda}$. We can substitute this θ value in L, which holds following objective.

$$\begin{aligned}L(\theta, b, b', w, \omega) &= \min_{b'} \max_b \sum_{m=1}^M \left\{ \left\langle \frac{\sum_{n=1}^M b^n - b'^n}{\lambda}, b^m - b'^m \right\rangle + \sum_{i \in H} w_i H(x_i; b_i^m) + \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma \in F} \left\{ w_1^\gamma H(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma}; b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^m) \right. \right. \\ &\quad + \sum_{[i,j] \sqsubseteq \gamma} (w_j^\gamma - w_i^\gamma) H(x_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}; b_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}^m) \left. \right\} - \sum_{i \in Y \cup H} \omega_i H(x_i; b_i'^m) - \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma \in F} \left\{ \omega_1^{\beta\gamma} H(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma}; b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}'^m) \right. \\ &\quad + \sum_{[i,j] \sqsubseteq \beta\gamma} (\omega_j^{\beta\gamma} - \omega_i^{\beta\gamma}) H(x_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}; b_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}'^m) \left. \right\} \left. \right\} - \frac{\|\sum_{n=1}^M b^n - b'^n\|^2}{2\lambda}\end{aligned}$$

Simplifying this equation and expanding entropy terms to compute ΔL .

$$\begin{aligned}
L(\theta, b, b', w, \omega) = \min_{b'} \max_b \sum_{m=1}^M \left\{ \left\langle \frac{\sum_{n=1}^M b^n - b'^n}{2\lambda}, b^m - b'^m \right\rangle - \sum_{i \in H} \sum_{x_i} w_i b_i^m(x_i) \log b_i^m(x_i) \right. \\
- \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma \in F} \sum_{x_\gamma} \left\{ w_1^\gamma b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^m(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma}) \log b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^m(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma}) + \sum_{[i,j] \sqsubseteq \gamma} (w_j^\gamma - w_i^\gamma) b_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}^m(x_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}) \log b_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}^m(x_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}) \right\} \\
+ \sum_{i \in Y \cup H} \sum_{x_i} \omega_i b_i^m(x_i) \log b_i^m(x_i) \\
\left. + \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma \in F} \sum_{x_{\beta\gamma}} \left\{ \omega_1^{\beta\gamma} b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^m(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma}) \log b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^m(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma}) + \sum_{[i,j] \sqsubseteq \beta\gamma} (\omega_j^{\beta\gamma} - \omega_i^{\beta\gamma}) b_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}^m(x_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}) \log b_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}^m(x_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}) \right\} \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

We will use Frank-Wolfe algorithm to maximize with respect to b and to minimize with respect to b' one step at a time as described in [2]. To do that, we need this objective to be convex in b' and concave in b . Following conditions are necessary for that:

$$\begin{aligned}
\lambda &\geq \frac{(M+1)b_i^m(x_i)}{2w_i} \\
\lambda &\geq \frac{(M+1)b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^m(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma})}{2w_1^\gamma} \\
\lambda &\geq \frac{(M-3)b_i^m(x_i)}{2\omega_i} \\
\lambda &\geq \frac{(M-3)b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^m(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma})}{2\omega_1^{\beta\gamma}}
\end{aligned}$$

In Frank-Wolfe implementation, we need first order derivatives of L with b and b' , which are given below:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial L}{\partial b_i^m(x_i)} &= \frac{1}{2\lambda} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^M \{b_i^n(x_i) - b_i'^n(x_i)\} + \{b_i^m(x_i) - b_i'^m(x_i)\} \right\} - w_i - w_i \log(b_i^m(x_i)) \\
\frac{\partial L}{\partial b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^m(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma})} &= \frac{1}{2\lambda} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^M \{b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^n(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma}) - b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}'^n(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma})\} + \{b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^m(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma}) - b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}'^m(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma})\} \right\} - w_1^\gamma - w_1^\gamma \log b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^m(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma}) \\
\frac{\partial L}{\partial b_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}^m(x_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}})} &= w_i^\gamma - w_j^\gamma + (w_i^\gamma - w_j^\gamma) \log b_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}^m(x_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}) \\
&\text{where, } [i, j] \sqsubseteq \alpha\beta\gamma.
\end{aligned}$$

Derivatives with respect to b' are same as above, but with inverted signs. They are given below.

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial L}{\partial b_i'^m(x_i)} &= \frac{1}{2\lambda} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^M \{b_i'^n(x_i) - b_i^n(x_i)\} + \{b_i'^m(x_i) - b_i^m(x_i)\} \right\} + \omega_i + \omega_i \log(b_i^m(x_i)) \\
\frac{\partial L}{\partial b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}'^m(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma})} &= \frac{1}{2\lambda} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^M \{b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}'^n(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma}) - b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^n(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma})\} + \{b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}'^m(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma}) - b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^m(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma})\} \right\} + \omega_1^{\beta\gamma} + \omega_1^{\beta\gamma} \log b_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^m(x_{\alpha\beta\gamma}) \\
\frac{\partial L}{\partial b_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}'^m(x_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}})} &= \omega_i^{\beta\gamma} - \omega_j^{\beta\gamma} + (\omega_i^{\beta\gamma} - \omega_j^{\beta\gamma}) \log b_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}^m(x_{pa_i^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}) \\
&\text{where, } [i, j] \sqsubseteq \alpha\beta\gamma.
\end{aligned}$$

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