

Auxiliary Normal Inverse Gamma Similarity Function

We consider an "Auxiliary Normal-Inverse Gamma" similarity function:

$$\begin{aligned}\xi_h &= (\mu; \sigma^2) \\ \mu &\sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mu_c, \frac{\sigma^2}{\lambda_c}\right) \\ \sigma^2 &\sim IG(a_c, b_c) \mid \xi_h \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)\end{aligned}$$

We compute the similarity function, i.e., $\int_{\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}_+} \prod_{i=1}^n q(x_i \mid \xi_h) q(\xi_h) d\xi_h$.

$$\begin{aligned}& \int_{\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}_+} \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x_i - \mu)^2\right\} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_c}{\sigma^2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{\lambda_c}{2\sigma^2}(\mu - \mu_c)^2\right\} \frac{b_c^{a_c}}{\Gamma(a_c)} (\sigma^2)^{-a_c-1} \exp\left\{-\frac{b_c}{\sigma^2}\right\} d\mu d\sigma^2 \\ & \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}}} \int_{\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}_+} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2\right\} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_c}{\sigma^2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{\lambda_c}{2\sigma^2}(\mu - \mu_c)^2\right\} \frac{b_c^{a_c}}{\Gamma(a_c)} (\sigma^2)^{-a_c-\frac{n}{2}-1} \exp\left\{-\frac{b_c}{\sigma^2}\right\} d\mu d\sigma^2\end{aligned}$$

We can rewrite the first exponent:

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n ((x_i - \bar{x}) - (\mu - \bar{x}))^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n (\mu - \bar{x})^2 - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(\mu - \bar{x}) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 + n(\mu - \bar{x})^2 - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i \mu - x_i \bar{x} - \bar{x} \mu + \bar{x}^2) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 + n(\mu - \bar{x})^2 - 2(n\bar{x}\mu - n\bar{x}^2 - n\bar{x}\mu + n\bar{x}^2) = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 + n(\mu - \bar{x})^2\end{aligned}$$

The similarity function becomes:

$$\begin{aligned}& \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}}} \int_{\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}_+} \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_c}{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(n(\mu - \bar{x})^2 + \lambda_c(\mu - \mu_c)^2)\right\} \\ & \times \frac{b_c^{a_c}}{\Gamma(a_c)} (\sigma^2)^{-a_c-\frac{n}{2}-1} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{\sigma^2}\left(b_c + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2\right)\right\} d\mu d\sigma^2\end{aligned}$$

We can rewrite the first exponent:

$$\begin{aligned}n(\mu - \bar{x})^2 + \lambda_c(\mu - \mu_c)^2 &= n\mu^2 + n\bar{x}^2 - 2n\mu\bar{x} + \lambda_c\mu^2 + \lambda_c\mu_c^2 - 2\lambda_c\mu\mu_c \\ &= (n + \lambda_c)\mu - 2\mu(n\bar{x} + \lambda_c\mu_c) + n\bar{x}^2 + \lambda_c\mu_c^2 = (n + \lambda_c) \left(\mu_c^2 - 2\mu \frac{n\bar{x} + \lambda_c\mu_c}{n + \lambda_c} + \frac{n\bar{x}^2 + \lambda_c\mu_c^2}{n + \lambda_c} \right) \\ &= (n + \lambda_c) \left(\mu^2 - 2\mu \frac{n\bar{x} + \lambda_c\mu_c}{n + \lambda_c} + \frac{(n\bar{x} + \lambda_c\mu_c)^2}{(n + \lambda_c)^2} + \frac{n\bar{x}^2 + \lambda_c\mu_c^2}{n + \lambda_c} - \frac{(n\bar{x} + \lambda_c\mu_c)^2}{(n + \lambda_c)^2} \right) \\ &= (n + \lambda_c) \left(\mu - \frac{n\bar{x} + \lambda_c\mu_c}{n + \lambda_c} \right)^2 + \frac{n^2\bar{x}^2 + n\lambda_c\bar{x}^2 + \lambda_c^2\mu_c^2 + n\lambda_c\mu_c^2 - n^2\bar{x}^2 - \lambda_c^2\mu_c^2 - 2n\lambda_c\bar{x}\mu_c}{n + \lambda_c} \\ &= (n + \lambda_c) \left(\mu - \frac{n\bar{x} + \lambda_c\mu_c}{n + \lambda_c} \right)^2 + \frac{n\lambda_c}{n + \lambda_c} (\bar{x} - \mu_c)^2\end{aligned}$$

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We can rewrite the second exponent:

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 + \frac{n\lambda_c}{n + \lambda_c} (\bar{x} - \mu_c)^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \bar{x} + n\bar{x}^2 + \frac{n\lambda_c}{n + \lambda_c} (\bar{x}^2 + \mu_c^2 - 2\bar{x}\mu_c) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - n\bar{x}^2 + \frac{n\lambda_c}{n + \lambda_c} (\bar{x}^2 + \mu_c^2 - 2\bar{x}\mu_c) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 + n\bar{x}^2 \left(\frac{\lambda_c}{n + \lambda_c} - 1 \right) + \frac{n\lambda_c}{n + \lambda_c} (\mu_c^2 - 2\bar{x}\mu_c) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 + \frac{1}{n + \lambda_c} (-n^2 \bar{x}^2 + n\lambda_c \mu_c^2 - 2n\lambda_c \bar{x}\mu_c) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 + \frac{1}{n + \lambda_c} (-n^2 \bar{x}^2 - 2n\lambda_c \bar{x}\mu_c - \lambda_c^2 \mu_c^2 + n\lambda_c \mu_c^2 + \lambda_c^2 \mu_c^2) = \\
&\quad \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - \frac{(n\bar{x} + \lambda_c \mu_c)^2}{n + \lambda_c} + \frac{n\lambda_c \mu_c^2 + \lambda_c^2 \mu_c^2}{n + \lambda_c} = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - \frac{(n\bar{x} + \lambda_c \mu_c)^2}{n + \lambda_c} + \lambda_c \mu_c^2
\end{aligned}$$

Returning to the similarity function:

$$\begin{aligned}
&\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}}} \int_{\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}_+} \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_c}{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{n + \lambda_c}{2\sigma^2} \left(\mu - \frac{n\bar{x} + \lambda_c \mu_c}{n\bar{x} + \lambda_c} \right)^2 \right\} \\
&\quad \times \frac{b_c^{a_c}}{\Gamma(a_c)} (\sigma^2)^{-a_c - \frac{n}{2} - 1} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \left(b_c + \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - \frac{(n\bar{x} + \lambda_c \mu_c)^2}{n + \lambda_c} + \lambda_c \mu_c^2 \right) \right) \right\} d\mu d\sigma^2
\end{aligned}$$

The part inside the integral is the pdf of a Normal-Inverse Gamma distribution (in particular, it's the posterior distribution of the conjugate Normal-Normal-Inverse Gamma model), therefore we just have to adjust the normalizing constants and the integral is equal to 1.

$$\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}}} \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_c}{\lambda_c + n}} \frac{\Gamma(a_c + \frac{n}{2})}{\Gamma(a_c)} b_c^{a_c} \left(b_c + \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - \frac{(n\bar{x} + \lambda_c \mu_c)^2}{n + \lambda_c} + \lambda_c \mu_c^2 \right) \right)^{-a_c - \frac{n}{2}}$$

The same result (with different notation) can be found [here](#).