

Binary probit regression with I-priors

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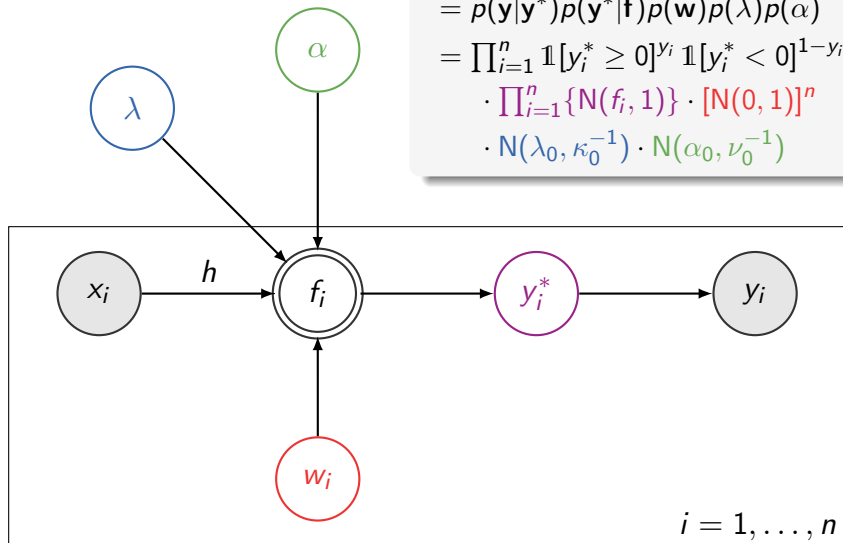
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Variational I-prior probit

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{y}^*, \mathbf{w}, \alpha, \lambda) &= p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{y}^*)p(\mathbf{y}^*|\mathbf{f})p(\mathbf{w})p(\lambda)p(\alpha) \\
 &= \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}[y_i^* \geq 0]^{y_i} \mathbb{1}[y_i^* < 0]^{1-y_i} \\
 &\quad \cdot \prod_{i=1}^n \{N(f_i, 1)\} \cdot [N(0, 1)]^n \\
 &\quad \cdot N(\lambda_0, \kappa_0^{-1}) \cdot N(\alpha_0, \nu_0^{-1})
 \end{aligned}$$



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$$\tilde{f}_i = \tilde{\alpha} + \sum_{k=1}^n h_{\tilde{\lambda}}(x_i, x_k) \tilde{w}_k \quad \tilde{\alpha} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n (E[y_i^*] - h_{\tilde{\lambda}}(x_i, x_k) \tilde{w}_k)$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{w}} = \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_w \mathbf{H}_{\tilde{\lambda}} (E[\mathbf{y}^*] - \tilde{\alpha} \mathbf{1}_n) \quad \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_w^{-1} = \mathbf{H}_{\tilde{\lambda}}^2 + \mathbf{I}_n$$

$$\tilde{\lambda} = (E[\mathbf{y}^*] - \tilde{\alpha} \mathbf{1}_n) \mathbf{H} \tilde{\mathbf{w}} / \tilde{v}_\lambda \quad \tilde{v}_\lambda = \text{tr}(\mathbf{H}^2 (\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_w + \tilde{\mathbf{w}} \tilde{\mathbf{w}}^\top))$$

Posterior predictive distribution

- Given new data points x_{new} , interested in

$$\begin{aligned} p(y_{\text{new}}|\mathbf{y}) &= \int p(y_{\text{new}}|y_{\text{new}}^*, \mathbf{y}) p(y_{\text{new}}^*|\mathbf{y}) dy_{\text{new}}^* \\ &\approx \int p(y_{\text{new}}|y_{\text{new}}^*) q(y_{\text{new}}^*) dy_{\text{new}}^* \\ &= \begin{cases} \Phi(\tilde{f}_{\text{new}}) & \text{if } y_{\text{new}} = 1 \\ 1 - \Phi(\tilde{f}_{\text{new}}) & \text{if } y_{\text{new}} = 0 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

where $\tilde{f}_{\text{new}} = \tilde{\alpha} + \sum_{k=1}^n h_{\tilde{\chi}}(x_{\text{new}}, x_k) \tilde{w}_k$.

- \tilde{f}_{new} represents the estimate of the latent propensity for y_{new} , and its uncertainty is described by $q(y_{\text{new}}^*)$.

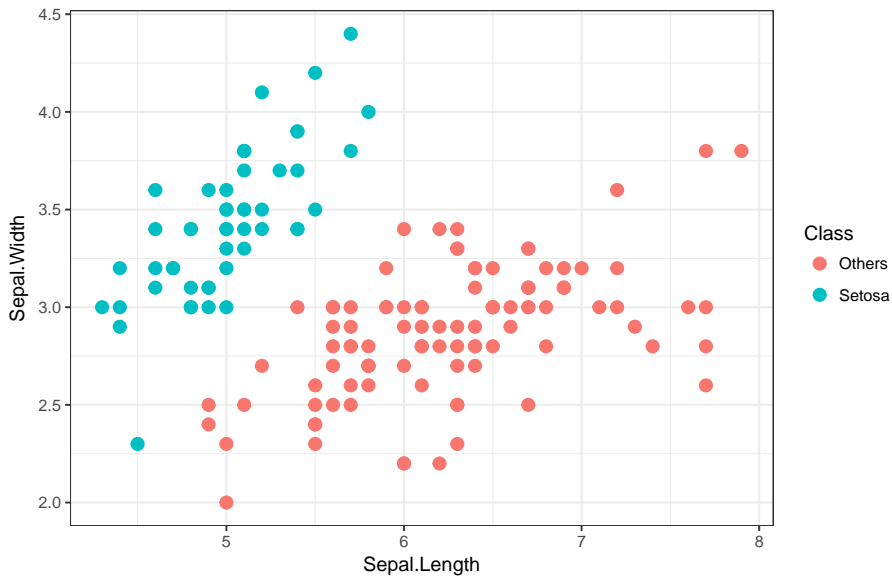
Variational lower bound

- Since the solutions are coupled, we implement an iterative scheme (as per Algorithm ??)
- Assess convergence by monitoring the lower bound

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L} &= \mathbb{E}_q[\log p(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{y}^*, \mathbf{w}, \alpha, \lambda)] - \mathbb{E}_q[\log q(\mathbf{y}^*, \mathbf{w}, \alpha, \lambda)] \\ &= \text{const.} + \sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i \log \Phi(\tilde{f}_i) + (1 - y_i) \log (1 - \Phi(\tilde{f}_i)) \right) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2} \left(\text{tr} \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_w + \text{tr}(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}\tilde{\mathbf{w}}^\top) - \log |\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_w| + \log \tilde{v}_\lambda \right)\end{aligned}$$

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Fisher's Iris data set



Fisher's Iris data set - Model fitting

- Variational inference for I-prior probit models implemented in R package `iprobit` (still lots of work to do!).

```
R> system.time(  
+   (mod <- iprobit(y, X))  
+ )  
  
##  
## |=====| 61%  
## Converged after 6141 iterations.  
## Training error rate: 0 %  
##      user  system elapsed  
## 67.857   6.396   74.277
```

HJ (2017). *iprobit: Binary Probit Regression with I-priors*. R Package version 0.1.0: [GitHub](https://github.com)

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Fisher's Iris data set - Model summary

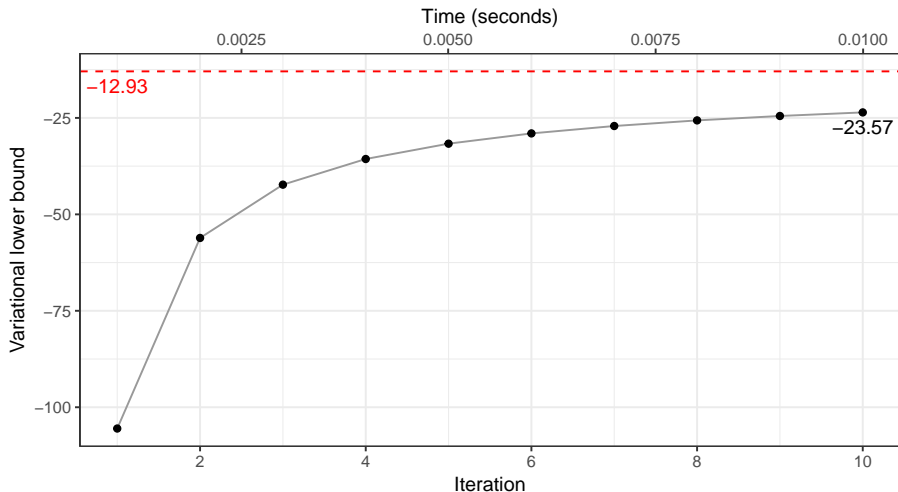
```
R> summary(mod)

##
## Call:
## iprobit(y = y, X, maxit = 10000)
##
## RKHS used: Canonical
##
##              Mean    S.E.    2.5%    97.5%
## alpha  -4.1730 0.0816 -4.3330 -4.0129
## lambda  1.2896 0.0142  1.2618  1.3175
##
## Converged to within 1e-05 tolerance. No. of iterations: 6141
## Model classification error rate (%): 0
## Variational lower bound: -12.93486
```

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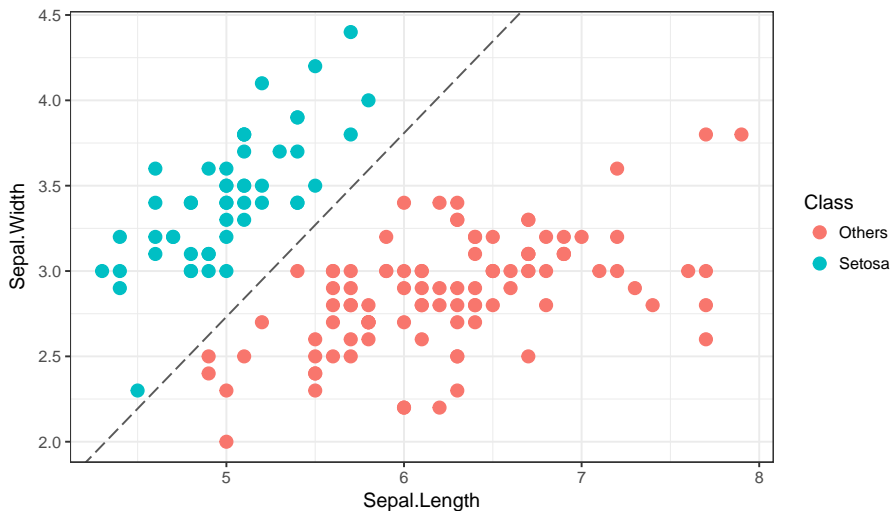
Fisher's Iris data set - Lower bound

```
R> iplot_lb(mod, niter.plot = 10)
```



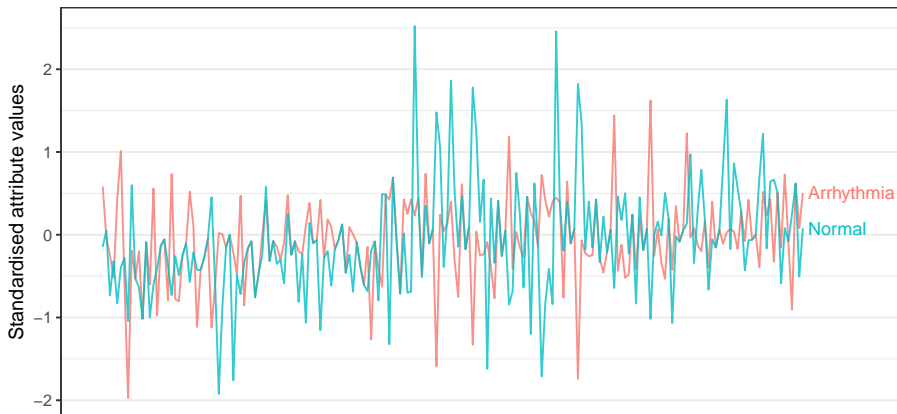
Fisher's Iris data set - Decision boundary

```
R> iplot_decbound(mod)
```



Cardiac arrhythmia data set

- Detect the presence of cardiac arrhythmia based on various ECG data and other attributes such as age and weight ($n = 451$, $p = 194$).



H. A. Guvenir et al. (1998). *UCI Machine Learning Repository: Arrhythmia Data Set*. URL: <https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Arrhythmia>

Cardiac arrhythmia data set - Model fit

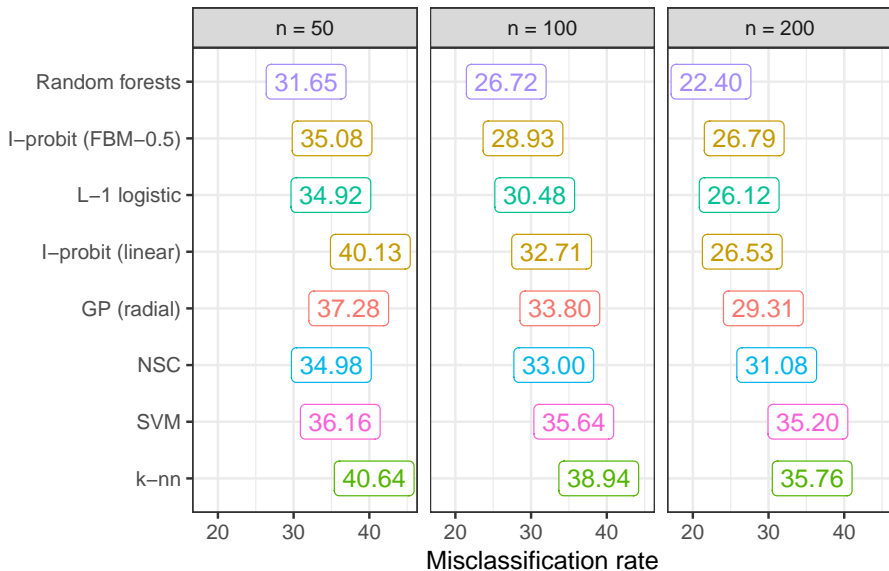
- Fit an l-prior probit model using Canonical and FBM kernel. The full data set takes about 35 seconds.

```
R> mod <- iprior(y, X, kernel = "FBM")
```

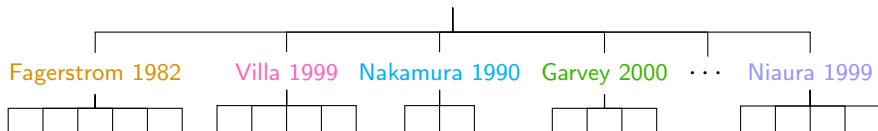
- Compare against popular classifiers: 1) k -nearest neighbours; 2) support vector machine; 3) Gaussian process classification; 4) random forests; 5) nearest shrunk centroids (Tibshirani et al. 2003); and 6) L-1 penalised logistic regression.
- Experiment set-up:
 - ▶ Form training set by sub-sampling $n_{\text{sub}} \in \{50, 100, 200\}$ data points.
 - ▶ Use remaining data as test set.
 - ▶ Fit model on training set and obtain test error rates.
 - ▶ Repeat 100 times.

T. I. Cannings and R. J. Samworth (2017). "Random-projection ensemble classification". *J. R. Stat. Soc. Ser. B: Stat. Methodol (w. discussion)*, to appear

Cardiac arrhythmia data set - Results



Meta-analysis of smoking cessation



- Data from 27 separate smoking cessation studies, where participants subjected to nicotine gum treatment or placed in control group.
- Some summary statistics:

	Min.	Avg.	Max.	Prop. quit	Odds quit
Control	20	101	617	0.207	0.261
Treated	21	117	600	0.320	0.470

- Raw odds ratio: 1.801.
- Random-effects analysis using a multilevel logistic model estimates this odds ratio as 1.768.

A. Skrondal and S. Rabe-Hesketh (2004). *Generalized Latent Variable Modeling: Multilevel, Longitudinal, and Structural Equation Models*. Chapman & Hall/CRC, §9.5

Meta-analysis of smoking cessation - model

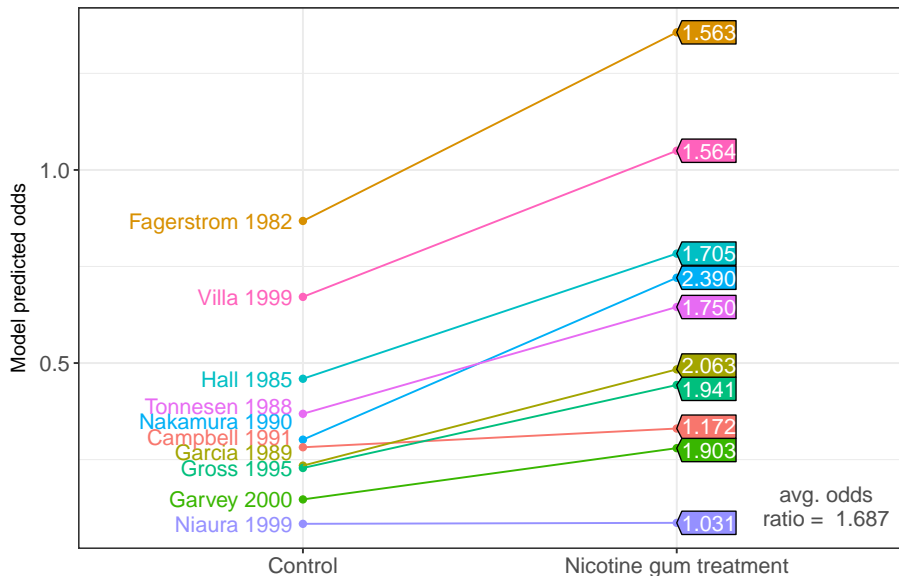
- Let $i = 1, \dots, n_j$ index the patients in study group $j \in 1, \dots, 27$.
- Denote y_{ij} as the binary response variable indicating Quit (1) or Remain (0), and x_{ij} as patient ij 's treatment group indicator.
- Model binary data using l-probit model

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi^{-1}(p_{ij}) &= f(x_{ij}, j) \\ &= f_1(x_{ij}) + f_2(j) + f_{12}(x_{ij}, j)\end{aligned}$$

with $f_1, f_2 \in$ Pearson RKHS, and $f_{12} \in$ ANOVA RKHS.

	Model	Lower bound	Brier score	No. of RKHS param.
1	f_1	-3210.79	0.0311	1
2	$f_1 + f_2$	-3097.24	0.0294	2
3	$f_1 + f_2 + f_{12}$	-3091.21	0.0294	2

Meta-analysis of smoking cessation - results



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Summary

- An extension of the l-prior methodology to binary responses.
- Variational inference used to approximate the intractable likelihood.
 - ▶ A deterministic approximation of the posterior density by a “close” (in the KL divergence sense), tractable density.
 - ▶ It’s somewhere between Laplace’s method and MCMC sampling.
- Several real-world examples demonstrated the use of l-probit models for classification and inference.
- Further work:
 - ▶ R package iprobit.
 - ▶ Extend to non-iid errors case.
 - ▶ Extend to multinomial probit models.
 - ▶ Other algorithms (e.g. expectation propagation).

Slides, source code and results are made available at: <http://phd3.haziqj.ml>

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Thank you!

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③ Additional material