A convergence criterion would be when there is no more significant increase in the lower bound , as

defined by align* = $\int q(*,\lambda,\alpha) \log [p(*,\lambda,\alpha)q(*,\lambda,\alpha)] * \lambda \alpha$ Note that the categorical pmf $p(y_i|y_{ij}^*)$ becomes degenerate once the latent variables are known, so this term is cancelled out. With the exception of q(*), all of the distributions are Gaussian. The following results will be helpful.

definition[Differential entropy] The differential entropy of a pdf p(x) is given by $(p) = -\int p(x) \log p(x) \dot{x} =$ $-p[\log p(x)].$