

# DD2434 Machine Learning, Advanced Course - Assignment 2

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## 2 Report

### 2.1 Knowing the rules

#### 2.1.1 Question

I have read the instructions for the assignment thoroughly.

#### 2.1.2 Question

This assignment was made completely individually without any collaborators and without discussing with anybody.

#### 2.1.3 Question

See 2.1.2.

### 2.2 Dependencies in a Directed Graphical Model

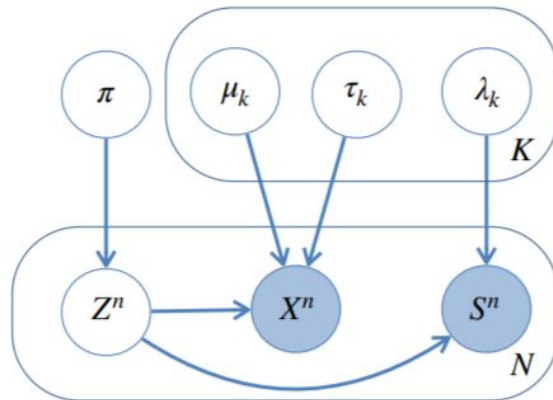


Figure 1: Mixture of components modeling location and strengths of earthquakes associated with a super-epicentra. In the figure,  $\mu_k = (\mu_{k,1}, \mu_{k,2})$  and  $\tau_k = (\tau_{k,1}, \tau_{k,2})$ .

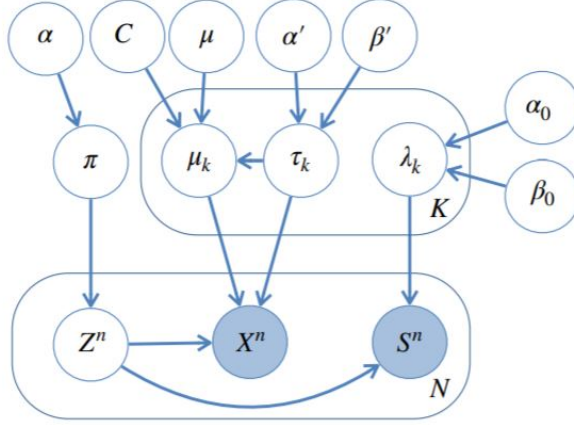


Figure 2: The K super epicentra model with priors.

#### 2.2.4 Question

Yes, i.e.  $\mu_k \perp \tau_k$ , in figure 1, by d-separation.

#### 2.2.5 Question

No, i.e.  $\mu_k \not\perp \tau_k | X^1, \dots, X^N$  in figure 1, by d-separation.

#### 2.2.6 Question

Yes, i.e.  $\mu \perp \beta'$  in figure 2, by d-separation.

#### 2.2.7 Question

No, i.e.  $\mu \not\perp \beta' | X^1, \dots, X^N$  in figure 2, by d-separation.

#### 2.2.8 Question

No, i.e.  $X^n \not\perp S^n$  in figure 2, by d-separation.

#### 2.2.9 Question

No, i.e.  $X^n \not\perp S^n | \mu_k, \tau_k$  in figure 2, by d-separation.

### 2.3 Likelihood of a tree GM only for E level.

#### 2.3.10 Question

An algorithm for calculating  $p(\beta | T, \Theta)$  was implemented. Here,  $T$  refers to a rooted binary tree,  $\Theta = \{\theta_0, \dots, \theta_V\}$  refers to all the CPDs on the tree edges and  $\beta$  denotes a leaf assignment. In

particular,  $\theta_v = p(X_v | X_{parent(v)} = x_{parent(v)})$ , where  $parent(v)$  is the parent node of  $v$ . Each node is a random variable  $X_v$ , which takes one out of  $K$  categorical values.

The algorithm in brief is described as follows: Starting a recursion from the root and calculating  $s(v, i) = p(x_{\downarrow v \cap \beta} | X_v = i)$ , where  $\downarrow v$  denotes all nodes below the root of sub-tree  $v$ . Furthermore, at leaf  $l$ :

$$s(l, i) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x_l \neq i \\ 1 & \text{if } x_l = i \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

and at any other node  $v$ :

$$s(v, i) = \left( \sum_{j \in 1, \dots, K} p(X_u = j | X_v = i) s(u, j) \right) \left( \sum_{j \in 1, \dots, K} p(X_w = j | X_v = i) s(w, j) \right) \quad (2)$$

and the final result (at root  $r$ ) is given by (3):

$$p(\beta | T, \Theta) = \sum_i s(r, i) p(X_r = i) \quad (3)$$

The python code for this algorithm can be seen in appendix. Note that a pure recursive algorithm, named "calculate\_likelihood\_recursive" in the code, produced the exact same likelihoods as the dynamic programming version.

### 2.3.11 Question

The algorithm in section 2.3.10 was then applied to three different trees with varying size and the likelihood for each  $\beta$  sample was reported in the following table:

<b>Tree: sample</b>	<b>Likelihood, <math>p(\beta   T, \Theta)</math></b>
small: 0	0.00875
small: 1	0.03840
small: 2	0.00913
small: 3	0.02144
small: 4	0.01195
medium: 0	$4.623 * 10^{-18}$
medium: 1	$1.850 * 10^{-19}$
medium: 2	$3.805 * 10^{-20}$
medium: 3	$5.379 * 10^{-20}$
medium: 4	$4.308 * 10^{-19}$
large: 0	$2.033 * 10^{-74}$
large: 1	$1.111 * 10^{-76}$
large: 2	$3.265 * 10^{-75}$
large: 3	$5.610 * 10^{-75}$
large: 4	$9.857 * 10^{-77}$

## 2.4 Simple VI

### 2.4.12 Question

Synthetic data  $x_1, \dots, x_N$  was first sampled from a Gaussian distribution with mean  $\mu$  and precision  $\tau$ . The following Gaussian-gamma conjugate prior was thereafter introduced:

$$p(\mu|\tau) = N(\mu|\mu_0, (\lambda_0\tau)^{-1}) \quad (4)$$

$$p(\tau) = \text{Gam}(\tau|a_0, b_0) \quad (5)$$

These two were thereafter used to compute  $q(\mu, \tau)$ , a factorized variational approximation to the posterior distribution:<sup>1</sup>:

$$q(\mu, \tau) = q_\mu(\mu)q_\tau(\tau) \quad (6)$$

where  $q_\mu(\mu)$  is Gaussian and  $q_\tau(\tau)$  is Gamma distributed.<sup>2</sup> The Python code in the appendix shows the algorithm for computing  $q(\mu, \tau)$  iteratively.

### 2.4.13 Question

In this case, the exact posterior distribution could be obtained as the following:

$$p(\mu, \tau|D) \propto N(\mu|\mu_N, (\lambda_N\tau)^{-1}) \times \text{Gam}(\tau|a_N, b_N) \quad (7)$$

I.e.  $p(\mu, \tau|D)$  is Gaussian-gamma, where

$$\mu_N = \frac{\lambda_0\mu_0 + N\bar{x}}{\lambda_0 + N}, \quad \lambda_N = \lambda_0 + N, \quad a_N = a_0 + N/2, \quad \text{and}$$

$$b_N = b_0 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N (x_n - \bar{x})^2 + \frac{\lambda_0 N (\bar{x} - \mu_0)^2}{2(\lambda_0 + N)}$$

### 2.4.14 Question

The iteratively computed  $q(\mu, \tau)$  was compared to the exact posterior in (7) for three different cases. An initial guess of  $E[\tau] = 1$  was used throughout all tests and the parameters for the prior were set to the following in all cases:

$$\lambda_0 = 1 \quad \mu_0 = 0 \quad a_0 = 1 \quad b_0 = 1$$

In the first case were  $N = 300$   $\mu = 0.5$  and  $\tau = 0.7$  and the exact posterior in this case is shown in figure 3. The exact posterior may be compared to the approximations in figure 4. It is easy to observe that the variance in both the approximations and the exact posterior is lower than in case two and three. One major explanation for this is that the number of samples  $N$  is larger in case one. Another observation is that the approximated posterior seem to converge faster than in the other two cases, due to reasonable initial guesses on for instance  $E[\tau]$ .

<sup>1</sup>C.M. Bishop. Pattern recognition and machine learning. 2nd ed. 2006. p.470

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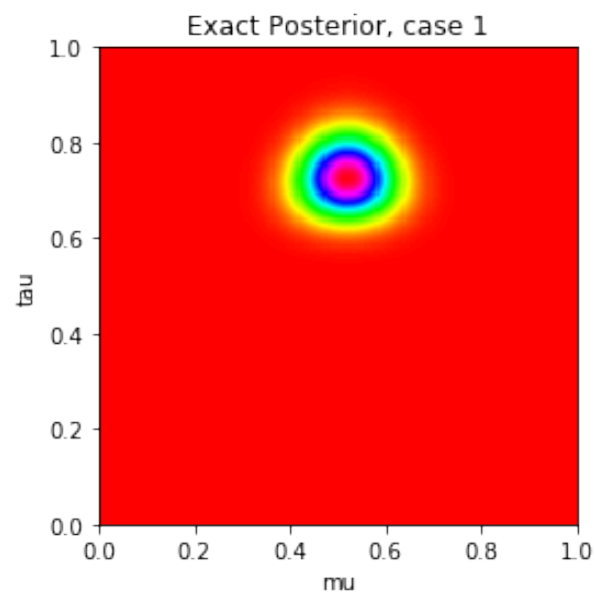


Figure 3: The exact posterior in case 1

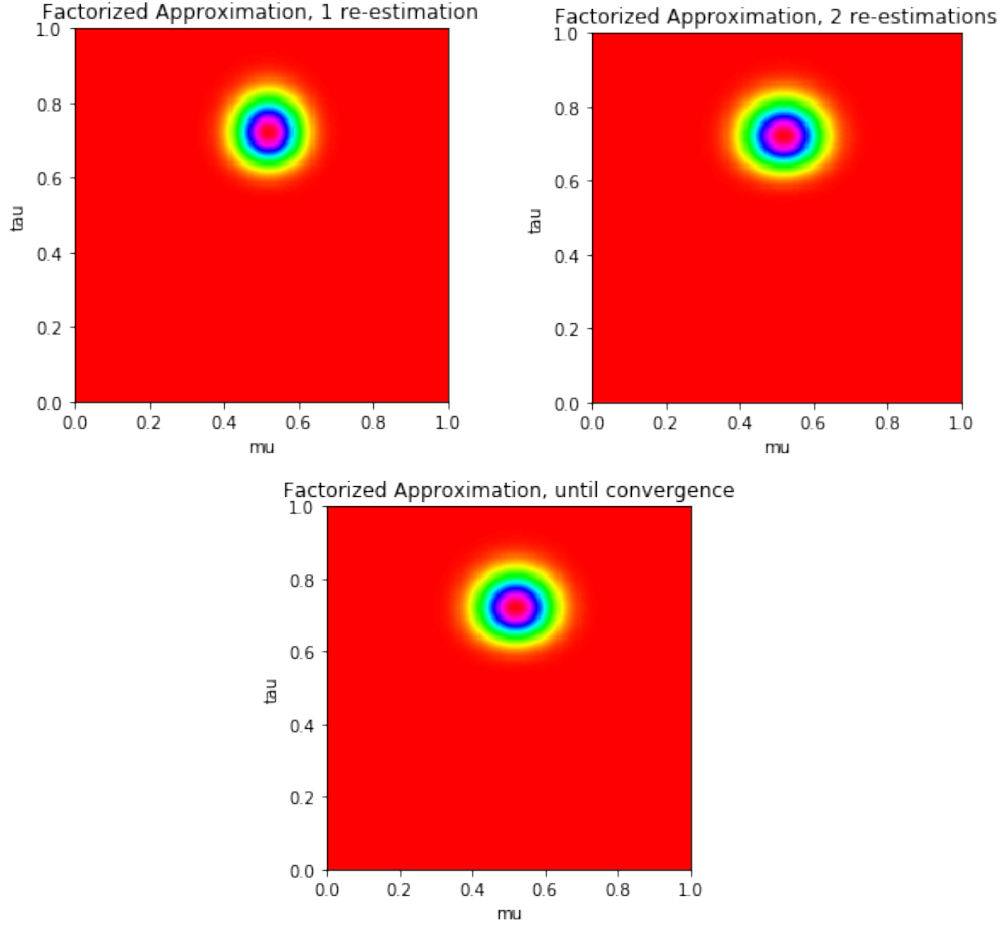


Figure 4: An illustration of the variational inference of  $\tau$  and  $\mu$  for 300 samples in case 1.

In the second case were  $N = 100$   $\mu = 0.8$  and  $\tau = 0.3$  and the exact posterior in this case is shown in figure 5. The exact posterior may be compared to the approximations in figure 6. The difference between the exact and approximated posterior after one re-estimation of parameters, is larger than in case one. This may be explained by the fact that the initial guesses were more off in this case.

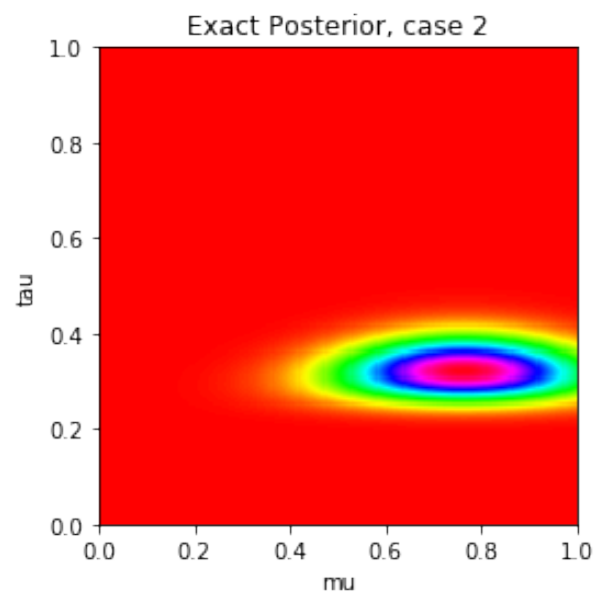


Figure 5: The exact posterior in case 2

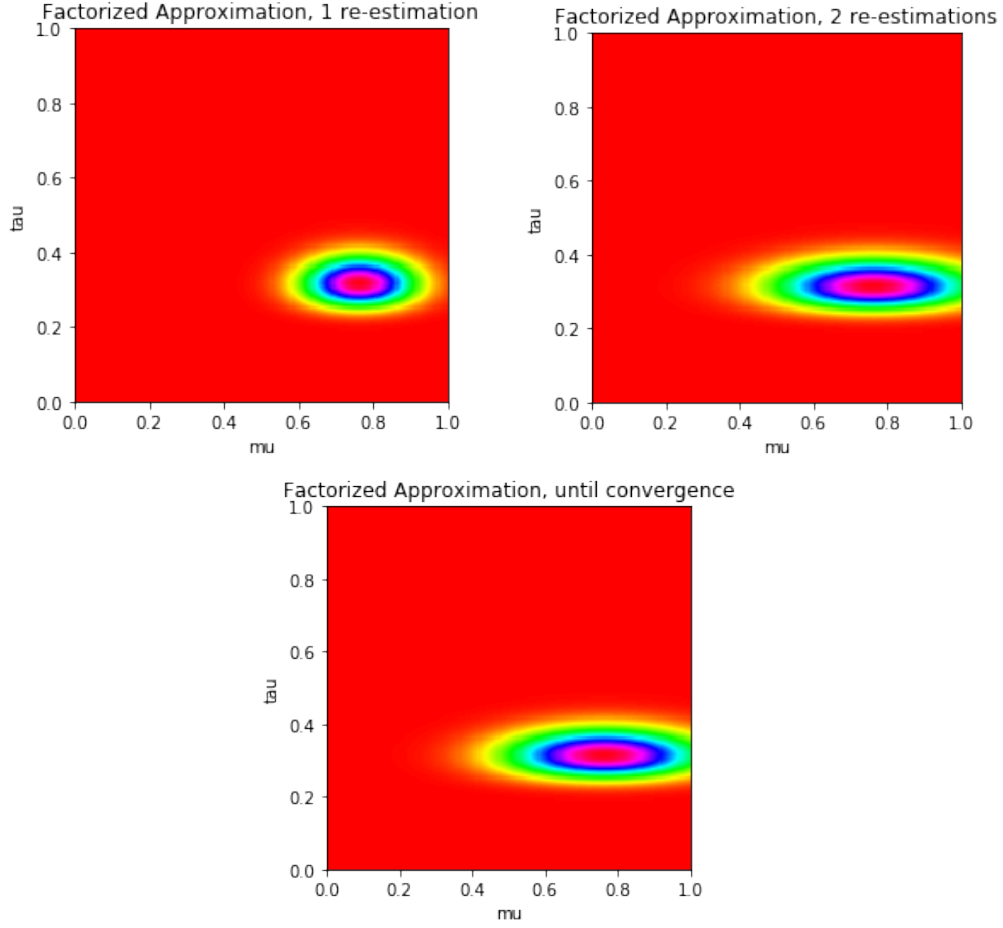


Figure 6: An illustration of the variational inference of  $\tau$  and  $\mu$  for 100 samples in case 2.

In the third case were  $N = 30$   $\mu = 0.2$  and  $\tau = 0.5$  and the exact posterior in this case is shown in figure 7. The exact posterior may be compared to the approximations in figure 8. The consequence of the smaller dataset is illustrated by the larger variance in the posterior. As in the other cases, the approximation gets closer after each iteration.



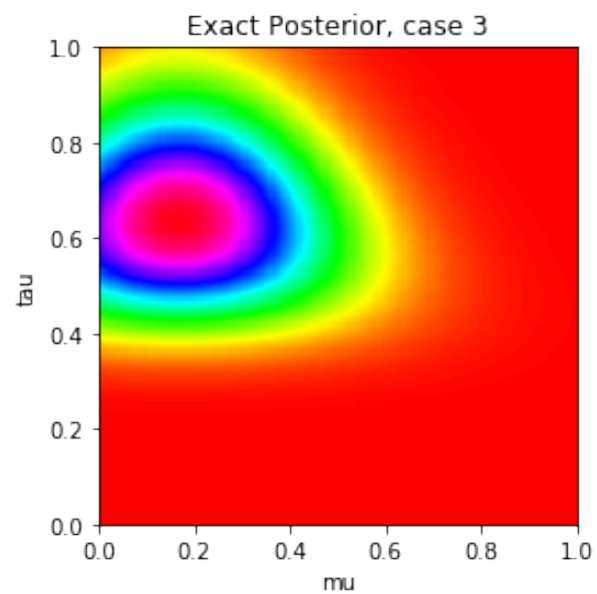


Figure 7: The exact posterior in case 3

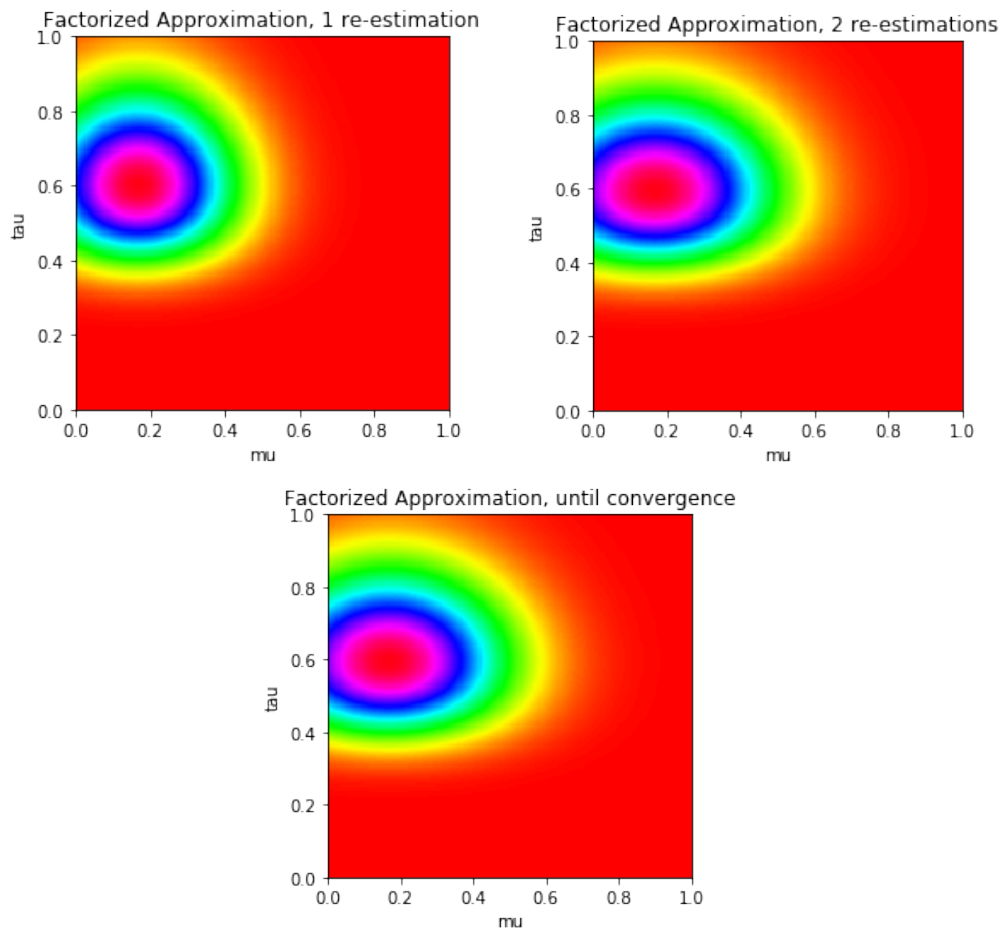


Figure 8: An illustration of the variational inference of  $\tau$  and  $\mu$  for 30 samples in case 3.

### 3 Appendix

#### Question 2.3 - Code

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1  #This file was built upon the the solution template for question 2.3 in DD2434 - Assignment 2.
2
3  import numpy as np
4  from Tree import Tree
5  import math, time
6
7  def calculate_s(theta, beta, tree, node):
8      """
9      This function calculates "smaller" part in the recursive formula (see report).
10     :param: theta: CPD of the tree. Type: numpy array. Dimensions: (num_nodes, K)
11     :param: beta: A list of node assignments. Type: numpy array. Dimensions: (num_nodes, )
12             Note: Inner nodes are assigned to np.nan. The leaves have values in [K]
13     :param: tree: The tree object
14     :param: node: The current node to calculate for. Type: int.
15     :return: s: The smaller value for the node. Type: numpy array. Dimensions: (K, )
16     """
17     nr_categories = theta[0].size
18     s = np.zeros(nr_categories)
19
20     # if leaf
21     if not math.isnan(beta[node]):
22         beta_value = beta[node].astype(int)
23         s[beta_value] = 1
24         return s
25
26     # if node is parent
27     nodes_children = tree.get_children_array_of(node)
28     factors = []
29     for child in np.nditer(nodes_children):
30         #converting to suitable format
31         child_CPD = get_matrix(theta[child])
32
33         s_child = calculate_s(theta, beta, tree, child)
34         factors.append(child_CPD.dot(s_child))
35

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36     if len(factors) > 1:
37         s = np.multiply(factors[0], factors[1]) # elementwise multiplication
38     else:
39         s = factors[0]
40     return s
41
42 def calculate_likelihood_recursive(theta, beta, tree):
43     """
44     This function calculates the likelihood of a sample of leaves with pure recursion.
45     :param: theta: CPD of the tree. Type: numpy array. Dimensions: (num_nodes, K)
46     :param: beta: A list of node assignments. Type: numpy array. Dimensions: (num_nodes, )
47             Note: Inner nodes are assigned to np.nan. The leaves have values in [K]
48     :param: tree: The tree object
49     :return: likelihood: The likelihood of beta. Type: float.
50     """
51
52     print("Calculating the likelihood...")
53     s_root = calculate_s(theta, beta, tree, 0)
54
55     likelihood = theta[0].dot(s_root)
56
57     return likelihood
58
59 def calculate_likelihood(theta, beta, tree):
60     """
61     This function calculates the likelihood of a sample of leaves with Dynamic programming.
62     :param: theta: CPD of the tree. Type: numpy array. Dimensions: (num_nodes, K)
63     :param: beta: A list of node assignments. Type: numpy array. Dimensions: (num_nodes, )
64             Note: Inner nodes are assigned to np.nan. The leaves have values in [K]
65     :param: tree: The tree object
66     :return: likelihood: The likelihood of beta. Type: float.
67     """
68
69     nr_categories = theta[0].size
70     tree_topology = tree.get_topology_array()
71     print("Calculating the likelihood...")

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72
73     # where all s values are stored
74     s = np.zeros((tree_topology.size, nr_categories)) # (nodes, categories)
75
76     # all leaves in tree
77     nodes_to_compute = np.argwhere(np.isfinite(beta)).flatten()
78
79     while nodes_to_compute.size > 0:
80         node = nodes_to_compute[-1] # last element in array
81         nodes_parent = tree_topology[node].astype(int)
82
83         # if leaf
84         if not math.isnan(beta[node]):
85             beta_value = beta[node].astype(int)
86
87             temp_s = np.zeros(nr_categories)
88             temp_s[beta_value] = 1
89             s[node] = temp_s
90         # if is parent
91         else:
92             nodes_children = tree.get_children_array_of(node)
93             factors = []
94
95             for child in np.nditer(nodes_children):
96                 child_CPD = get_matrix(theta[child])
97                 factors.append(child_CPD.dot(s[child]))
98
99             if len(factors) > 1:
100                 # elementwise multiplication
101                 s[node] = np.multiply(factors[0], factors[1])
102             else:
103                 s[node] = factors[0]
104
105     # adding parent to queue if not already there and if not current node is root

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106         if nodes_parent not in nodes_to_compute and nodes_parent >= 0:
107             nodes_to_compute = np.insert(nodes_to_compute, 0, nodes_parent)
108             # remove computed node from queue
109             nodes_to_compute = nodes_to_compute[:-1]
110
111         likelihood = theta[0].dot(s[0])
112         return likelihood
113
114
115     def get_matrix(mat):
116         """
117         This function converts a np.array of arrays to a format which we can calculate with.
118         :param: mat: Type: numpy array. Dimensions: (K, K)
119
120         :return: matrix: A non-nested matrix of "standard format". Type: numpy array. Dimensions: (K, K)
121         """
122         matrix = np.zeros((mat.size, mat.size))
123         for index, array in enumerate(mat):
124             matrix[index] = array
125         return matrix
126
127     def test_prob_sum(tree):
128         """
129         This function calculates the sum of the probabilities for all possible node assignments (betas) and prints it.
130         :param: tree: Type: object.
131         """
132         all_possible_betas = tree.generate_all_possible_betas()
133
134         prob_sum = 0
135         for beta_sample in all_possible_betas:
136             sample_likelihood = calculate_likelihood(tree.get_theta_array(), beta_sample, tree)
137             prob_sum += sample_likelihood
138
139         print("Probability sum: ", prob_sum)

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140
141 def generate_tree(filename):
142     """
143     This function generates a probabilistic binary tree, some filtered samples and then saves it.
144     :param: filename: Type: string.
145     """
146     tree = Tree()
147     tree.create_random_binary_tree(10, 6, 6)
148     tree.sample_tree(2)
149     tree.save_tree(filename)
150
151 def main():
152
153     print("\n1. Load tree data from file and print it\n")
154
155     filename = {"small_test": "data/q2_3_small_test_tree.pkl", "small": "data/q2_3_small_tree.pkl", "medium": "data/q2_3_medium_t
156     tree = Tree()
157     tree.load_tree(filename["large"])
158     tree.print()
159
160     print("tree topology: ", tree.get_topology_array())
161
162     print("\n2. Calculate likelihood of each FILTERED sample\n")
163
164     #Testing if probability of all possible beta values sums to 1
165     test_prob_sum(tree)
166
167     for sample_idx in range(tree.num_samples):
168         beta = tree.filtered_samples[sample_idx]
169         print("\n\tSample: ", sample_idx, "\tBeta: ", beta)
170         sample_likelihood = calculate_likelihood(tree.get_theta_array(), beta, tree)
171         print("\tLikelihood: ", sample_likelihood)
172
173 if __name__ == "__main__":
174     start_time = time.time()
175     main()

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353     def generate_all_possible_betas(self):
354         """ This function generates and returns all possible betas as a numpy array. Each row is one possible beta. """
355         nr_cat = self.k
356         sample_beta = self.filtered_samples[0]
357         leaf_idx = np.argwhere(np.isfinite(sample_beta)).flatten()
358         nr_leaves = leaf_idx.shape[0]
359
360         cat_list = range(nr_cat)
361         #generate all possible betas (cartesian product)
362         all_possible_betas_raw = [p for p in itertools.product(cat_list, repeat=nr_leaves)]
363
364         all_possible_betas = np.zeros((len(all_possible_betas_raw), sample_beta.shape[0]))
365         all_possible_betas[:] = np.nan
366         for possible_beta_idx, possible_beta in enumerate(all_possible_betas_raw):
367             for index, beta_value in enumerate(possible_beta):
368                 all_possible_betas[possible_beta_idx, leaf_idx[index]] = beta_value
369
370         return all_possible_betas

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393     def get_children_array_of(self, parent_id):
394         """ This function returns the children of a given parent as a numpy array. """
395
396         topology_array = self.get_topology_array()
397         children_array = np.where(topology_array == parent_id)
398
399         return children_array[0]

```

## Question 2.4 - Code

### Generate synthetic dataset

```

np.random.seed(1338)
N = 30 # number of samples
mu = 0.2
tau = 0.5 #precision

X_range = np.linspace(0, 1.0, num=N)
X = np.random.normal(mu, 1/tau**0.5, N)
X_mean = np.mean(X)

```



```

#Assuming prior  $P(\mu|\tau)$  to be  $N(\mu_0, (\lambda_0\tau)^{-1})$ 
# and prior  $p(\tau)$  to be  $\text{Gamma}(a_0, b_0)$ 

#help functions
def get_mu_N(X_mean, N):
    mu_N = (lambda_0*mu_0 + N*X_mean)/(lambda_0 + N)
    return mu_N

def get_lambda_N(E_tau, N):
    lambda_N = (lambda_0 + N)*E_tau
    return lambda_N

def get_a_N(N):
    a_N = a_0 + N/2
    return a_N

def get_b_N(X, E_mu, Var_mu):
    b_N = b_0 + 0.5*get_E_mu_expression(X, E_mu, Var_mu)
    return b_N

def get_E_mu_expression(X, E_mu, Var_mu):
    E_mu_2 = Var_mu + E_mu**2
    term1 = np.power(X, 2) - 2*X*E_mu + E_mu_2
    summed = np.sum(term1)
    term2 = lambda_0*E_mu_2 - 2*E_mu*mu_0 + mu_0**2
    E_mu_expression = summed + term2
    return E_mu_expression

```

### Iteratively compute variational distribution

```

#Prior parameters
lambda_0 = 1
mu_0 = 0
a_0 = 1
b_0 = 1

```

```

def re_estimate_param(iterations, E_tau_guess):

    #initial guess
    E_tau = E_tau_guess

    for i in range(iterations):
        mu_N = get_mu_N(X_mean, N)
        lambda_N = get_lambda_N(E_tau, N)

        a_N = get_a_N(N)
        b_N = get_b_N(X, mu_N, 1/lambda_N)

        #re-estimate
        E_tau = a_N/b_N

    return lambda_N, mu_N, a_N, b_N

```

## Visualizing the result

```
pixels = 200
#q_mu is gaussian and q_tau is gamma(a,b)
q_mu_prec, q_mu_mean, q_tau_a, q_tau_b = re_estimate_param(iterations = 10, E_tau_guess = 1)

mu_range = np.linspace(0, 1.0, num=pixels)
tau_range = np.linspace(0, 1.0, num=pixels)

X, Y = np.meshgrid(tau_range, mu_range)
N, M = len(X), len(Y)
Z = np.zeros((N, M))
for i, (x, y) in enumerate(product(tau_range, mu_range)):
    pos = np.hstack((x, y))
    tau = pos[0]
    mu = pos[1]
    Z[np.unravel_index(i, (N, M))] = norm(q_mu_mean, 1/q_mu_prec**0.5).pdf(mu)*gamma.pdf(tau, q_tau_a, scale=1/q_tau_b)

im = plt.imshow(Z, cmap='hsv', origin='lower', extent=(0, 1, 0, 1)) #extent = (left, right, bottom, top)
ax = plt.gca()
ax.grid(False)
plt.title("Factorized Approximation, until convergence")
plt.xlabel('mu')
plt.ylabel('tau')
plt.show()
```

## Comparing with exact posterior

```
post_mu = (lambda_0*mu_0 + N*X_mean)/(lambda_0 + N)
post_lambda = lambda_0 + N
post_a = a_0 + N/2
post_b = b_0 + 0.5*np.sum(np.power(X - X_mean, 2)) + (lambda_0*N*(X_mean - mu_0)**2)/(2*(lambda_0 + N))

post_mu_range = np.linspace(0, 1.0, num=pixels)
post_tau_range = np.linspace(0, 1.0, num=pixels)

X_post, Y_post = np.meshgrid(post_tau_range, post_mu_range)
post_N, post_M = len(X_post), len(Y_post)
Z_post = np.zeros((post_N, post_M))
for i, (x, y) in enumerate(product(post_tau_range, post_mu_range)):
    pos = np.hstack((x, y))
    tau = pos[0]
    mu = pos[1]
    tau_sample = gamma.pdf(tau, post_a, scale=1/post_b)
    Z_post[np.unravel_index(i, (post_N, post_M))] = norm(post_mu, 1/(post_lambda*tau)**0.5).pdf(mu)*tau_sample

im = plt.imshow(Z_post, cmap='hsv', origin='lower', extent=(0, 1, 0, 1))
ax = plt.gca()
ax.grid(False)
plt.title("Exact Posterior, case 3")
plt.xlabel('mu')
plt.ylabel('tau')
plt.show()
```