

VB nonparametric Regression with Cosine Basis Expansion

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1. Derivation

- Likelihood:

$$\ell(\boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{y}) = -\frac{n}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\varphi}\boldsymbol{\theta})' (\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\varphi}\boldsymbol{\theta}) \quad (1)$$

- $f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \theta_{\ell} \varphi_{\ell}(x_i)$

- Priors

- $\theta_j | \sigma, \tau, \gamma \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2 \tau^2 e^{-j\gamma})$
 - $\sigma^2 \sim \text{InvGam}\left(\frac{r_{0,\sigma}}{2}, \frac{s_{0,\sigma}}{2}\right)$
 - $\tau^2 \sim \text{InvGam}\left(\frac{r_{0,\tau}}{2}, \frac{s_{0,\tau}}{2}\right)$
 - $\psi \sim \text{InvGam}(a, b)$
 - $\gamma \sim \text{Exp}(w_0)$

- Transformations:

- $\zeta = \log(\exp(\psi) - 1)$
 - $\alpha = \log(\exp(\sigma^2) - 1)$
 - $\eta = \log(\exp(\tau^2) - 1)$
 - $\xi = \log(\exp(\gamma) - 1)$

- Parameters: $\Theta = (\boldsymbol{\beta}', \boldsymbol{\theta}_J', \zeta, \alpha, \eta, \xi)$

- Variational distribution: $q(\Theta) = \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, LL')$

- Derivative of the transformation (Jacobian):

$$\frac{d}{dx} \log(\exp(x) + 1) = \frac{e^x}{1 + e^x} \quad (2)$$

- Derivative of the log-Jacobian:

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\log \frac{e^x}{1 + e^x} \right) = \frac{1}{1 + e^x} \quad (3)$$

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- Generating synthetic data

$$y_i = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \mathbf{w}_i' \boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\varphi}_i' \boldsymbol{\theta} + \epsilon_i > 0 \text{ where } \epsilon \sim \text{Logistic}(0, 1) \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

2. Monotone Shape Restriction (VBM)

Basic regression model:

$$y_i = f(x_i) + \epsilon_i \quad (5)$$

We use the derivative representation for the monotone function written in terms of integrals:

$$f(x) = \delta \left[\int_0^x Z^2(s) ds - \int_0^1 \int_0^x Z^2(s) ds dx \right] \quad (6)$$

$$\delta = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for non-decreasing function} \\ -1, & \text{for non-increasing function} \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

Using the spectral representatino of $Z(x)$,

$$f(x) = \delta \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \theta_j \theta_k \varphi_{j,k}^a(x) \quad (8)$$

$$\varphi_{j,k}^a(x) = \int_0^x \varphi_j(s) \bar{\varphi}_k(s) ds - \int_0^1 \int_0^s \varphi_j(t) \bar{\varphi}_k(t) dt ds \quad \text{for } j, k \geq 0 \quad (9)$$

(Omit the cosine basis functions)

$$y_i = \delta \boldsymbol{\theta}' \boldsymbol{\varphi}(x_i) \boldsymbol{\theta} + \epsilon \quad (10)$$

- Priors

- $\theta_0 \mid \sigma \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma \sigma_0^2)$ where σ_0^2 is known
- $\theta_j \mid \sigma, \tau, \gamma \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma \tau^2 e^{-j\gamma})$ for $j \geq 1$
- $\sigma^2 \sim \text{InvGam}\left(\frac{r_{0,\sigma}}{2}, \frac{s_{0,\sigma}}{2}\right)$
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