# COMP0086 Summative Assignment

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### Question 1

- (a) Our sample space for images is  $\{0,1\}^D$ , where each of our D dimensions can only take binary values, D being the number of pixels in the image. The exponential family best suited on this sample space is the D-dimensional multivariate Bernoulli distribution because it shares the same sample space. On the other hand, a D-dimensional multivariate Gaussian has the sample space  $\mathbb{R}^D$ , which does not match the sample space of our data. To match our data sample space, we might have to define an additional mapping between our data and model spaces, adding unnecessary complexity. Thus it would be inappropriate to model this dataset of images with a multivariate Gaussian.
- (b) For  $\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^N$ , a data set of N images, the joint likelihood (assuming images are independently and identically distributed) is the product of N D-dimensional multivariate Bernoulli distributions, one for each image:

$$P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}|\mathbf{p}) = \prod_{n=1}^{N} P(\mathbf{x}^{(n)}|\mathbf{p})$$

Substituting the D-dimensional multivariate Bernoulli:

$$P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}|\mathbf{p}) = \prod_{n=1}^{N} \prod_{d=1}^{D} p_d^{x_d^{(n)}} (1 - p_d)^{1 - x_d^{(n)}}$$

Taking the logarithm of this, we get the log likelihood:

$$\mathcal{L}(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}|\mathbf{p}) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{d=1}^{D} [x_d^{(n)}\log(p_d) + (1 - x_d^{(n)})\log(1 - p_d)]$$

Note that since the logarithm is a monotonically increasing function on  $\mathbb{R}_+$ , the maximisers and minimisers of the likelihood do not change. Thus, to solve for the maximum likelihood estimate,  $\hat{p}_d$ , we can take the derivative of  $\mathcal{L}(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^N|\mathbf{p})$  with respect to  $p_d$ , the  $d^{th}$  element of  $\mathbf{p}$ :

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}|\mathbf{p})}{\partial p_{d}} = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left(\frac{x_{d}^{(n)}}{p_{d}} - \frac{1 - x_{d}^{(n)}}{1 - p_{d}}\right)$$
$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}|\mathbf{p})}{\partial p_{d}} = \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{N} x_{d}^{(n)}}{p_{d}} - \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{N} (1 - x_{d}^{(n)})}{1 - p_{d}}$$

and set the derivative to zero and solve for  $\hat{p}_d$ :

$$\frac{\sum_{n=1}^{N} x_d^{(n)}}{\hat{p}_d} - \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{N} (1 - x_d^{(n)})}{1 - \hat{p}_d} = 0$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{N} x_d^{(n)} - \hat{p}_d \sum_{n=1}^{N} x_d^{(n)} - \hat{p}_d \cdot N + \hat{p}_d \sum_{n=1}^{N} x_d^{(n)} = 0$$

$$\hat{p}_d = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} x_d^{(n)}$$

Moreover, the second derivative with respect to  $p_d$ :

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}|\mathbf{p})}{\partial p_d^2} = \frac{-\sum_{n=1}^{N} x_d^{(n)}}{p_d^2} + \frac{-\sum_{n=1}^{N} (1 - x_d^{(n)})}{(1 - p_d)^2}$$

For a maximum, we need to show that the second derivative is negative. Since  $x_d^{(n)} \in \{0, 1\}$ , in the worst case, of N=1, the single pixel  $x_d^{(1)}$  must either be white  $(\sum_{n=1}^N x_d^{(n)} > 0)$  or black  $(\sum_{n=1}^N 1 - x_d^{(n)} > 0)$  with the other being zero,  $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\{\mathbf{X}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^N | \mathbf{p})}{\partial p_d^2} < 0$  will be guaranteed and  $\hat{p}_d$  is a maximum as required for the maximum likelihood estimate.

Because we assume that each pixel is independent (we are taking the product of D one dimensional Bernoulli distributions), we can express the maximum likelihood for  $\mathbf{p}$  in vectorised form as  $\hat{\mathbf{p}}^{MLE}$ :

$$\hat{\mathbf{p}}^{MLE} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \mathbf{x}^{(n)}$$

(c) From Bayes' Theorem:

$$P(\mathbf{p}|\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}) = \frac{P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}|\mathbf{p})P(\mathbf{p})}{P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N})}$$

Taking the logarithm:

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{p}|\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}) = \mathcal{L}(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}|\mathbf{p}) + \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{p}) - \mathcal{L}(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N})$$

Taking the derivative with respect to  $p_d$ :

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{p}|\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N})}{\partial p_d} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}|\mathbf{p})}{\partial p_d} + \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{p})}{\partial p_d}$$

where  $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\{\mathbf{X}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N})}{\partial p_d} = 0$  because it doesn't depend on  $p_d$ .

We know from (b):

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N} | \mathbf{p})}{\partial p_d} = \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{N} x_d^{(n)}}{p_d} - \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{N} (1 - x_d^{(n)})}{1 - p_d}$$

For the second term  $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{p})}{\partial p_d}$ , we start with  $P(\mathbf{p})$ , assuming each pixel to have an independent prior:

$$P(\mathbf{p}) = \prod_{d=1}^{D} P(p_d)$$

Assuming a Beta prior on each  $p_d$ :

$$P(\mathbf{p}) = \prod_{d=1}^{D} \frac{1}{B(\alpha, \beta)} p_d^{\alpha - 1} (1 - p_d)^{\beta - 1}$$

Taking the logarithm:

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{p}) = \sum_{d=1}^{D} -\log(B(\alpha, \beta)) + (\alpha - 1)\log p_d + (\beta - 1)\log(1 - p_d)$$

Taking the derivative with respect to  $p_d$ :

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{p})}{\partial p_d} = \frac{(\alpha - 1)}{p_d} - \frac{(\beta - 1)}{1 - p_d}$$

Since we are only concerned with  $p_d$ , we are only left with a single element of the summation pertaining to  $p_d$ .

Combining, we have an expression for  $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{p}|\{\mathbf{X}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N})}{\partial p_d}$ :

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{p}|\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N})}{\partial p_d} = \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{N} x_d^{(n)}}{p_d} - \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{N} (1 - x_d^{(n)})}{1 - p_d} + \frac{(\alpha - 1)}{p_d} - \frac{(\beta - 1)}{1 - p_d}$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{p}|\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N})}{\partial p_d} = \frac{(\alpha - 1) + \sum_{n=1}^{N} x_d^{(n)}}{p_d} - \frac{(\beta - 1) + \sum_{n=1}^{N} (1 - x_d^{(n)})}{1 - p_d}$$

To find the maximum a posteriori (MAP) estimate  $\hat{p_d}$  set  $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{p}|\{\mathbf{X}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^N)}{\partial p_d} = 0$  and solve:

$$0 = \frac{(\alpha - 1) + \sum_{n=1}^{N} x_d^{(n)}}{\hat{p_d}} - \frac{(\beta - 1) + \sum_{n=1}^{N} (1 - x_d^{(n)})}{1 - \hat{p_d}}$$

$$0 = (1 - \hat{p_d})(\alpha - 1) + (1 - \hat{p_d}) \left(\sum_{n=1}^{N} x_d^{(n)}\right) - \hat{p_d}(\beta - 1) - \hat{p_d} \left(\sum_{n=1}^{N} (1 - x_d^{(n)})\right)$$

$$0 = (\alpha - \alpha \hat{p_d} + \hat{p_d} - 1) + \left(\sum_{n=1}^{N} x_d^{(n)} - \hat{p_d} \sum_{n=1}^{N} x_d^{(n)}\right) - (\hat{p_d}\beta - \hat{p_d}) - \left(\hat{p_d} \cdot N - \hat{p_d} \sum_{n=1}^{N} x_d^{(n)}\right)$$

Cancelling the  $\hat{p}_d \sum_{n=1}^N x_d^{(n)}$  terms:

$$0 = \alpha - \alpha \hat{p_d} + \hat{p_d} - 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{N} x_d^{(n)} - \hat{p_d}\beta + \hat{p_d} - \hat{p_d} \cdot N$$
$$0 = \hat{p_d}(2 - \alpha - \beta - N) + \alpha - 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{N} x_d^{(n)}$$

$$\hat{p_d} = \frac{\alpha - 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{N} x_d^{(n)}}{(N + \alpha + \beta - 2)}$$

To show that this is a maximum, the second derivative is:

$$\frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{p}|\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^N)}{(\partial p_d)^2} = \frac{(1-\alpha) - \sum_{n=1}^N x_d^{(n)}}{(p_d)^2} + \frac{(1-\beta) - \sum_{n=1}^N (1-x_d^{(n)})}{(1-p_d)^2}$$

. For a maximum, we need  $\frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{p}|\{\mathbf{X}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^N)}{(\partial p_d)^2} < 0$  meaning that we need at least one of the strict inequalities  $\alpha < 1 - \sum_{n=1}^N x_d^{(n)}$  or  $\beta < 1 - \sum_{n=1}^N (1 - x_d^{(n)})$  to be satisfied, where the other can be  $\leq$ . The Beta distribution requires  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\beta > 0$  so this requirement will always be satisfied (in the worst case of a single image, either  $x_d^{(1)} = 1$  or  $1 - x_d^{(1)} = 1$ ).

Due to independence of our likelihood and priors for each dimension, we can express the maximum a priori for  $\mathbf{p}$  in vectorised form as  $\hat{\mathbf{p}}^{MAP}$ :

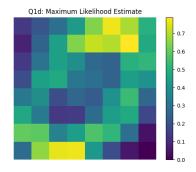
$$\hat{\mathbf{p}}^{MAP} = \frac{\alpha - 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{N} \mathbf{x}^n}{(N + \alpha + \beta - 2)}$$

#### (d&e) The Python code for MLE and MAP:

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import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
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      {\tt def\_compute\_maximum\_likelihood\_estimate(x: np.ndarray)} \ -\!\!\!> \ np.ndarray:
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           :param x: numpy array of shape (N, D) :return: MLE estimate """
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            return np.mean(x, axis=0)
     def _compute_maximum_a_priori_estimate(
    x: np.ndarray, alpha: float, beta: float
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      ) -> np.ndarray:
            Calculates MAP estimate of images
           :param x: numpy array of shape (N, D)
:param alpha: param of prior distribution
:param beta: param of prior distribution
:return: MAP estimate
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           n, = x.shape
           return (alpha - 1 + np.sum(x, axis=0)) / (n + alpha + beta - 2)
      def d(x: np.ndarray, figure_path: str, figure_title: str) -> None:
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           Produces answers for question 1d :param x: numpy array of shape (N, D)
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           :param figure_path: path to store figure
:param figure_title: figure title
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            maximum_likelihood = _compute_maximum_likelihood_estimate(x)
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            plt.figure()
            plt.imshow(
                 np.reshape(maximum_likelihood, (8, 8)),
                 interpolation="None",
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            plt.colorbar()
            plt.axis("off")
plt.title(figure_title)
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            plt.savefig(figure_path)
           x: np.ndarray, alpha: float, beta: float, figure_path: str, figure_title: str
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      ) -> None:
           Produces answers for question 1e:param x: numpy array of shape (N, D):param alpha: param of prior distribution
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            :param beta: param of prior distribution
:param figure_path: path to store figure
:param figure_title: figure title
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            :return:
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            maximum\_a\_priori = \_compute\_maximum\_a\_priori\_estimate(x, alpha, beta)
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            plt.figure()
            plt.imshow(
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                 np.reshape(maximum_a_priori, (8, 8)),
                 interpolation="None",
           plt.colorbar()
    resis("off")
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            plt.axis("off")
plt.title(figure_title)
plt.savefig(f"{figure_path}.png")
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            maximum\_likelihood = \_compute\_maximum\_likelihood\_estimate(x)
            plt.figure()
                 \label{eq:np.reshape(maximum_apriori - maximum_likelihood, (8, 8)), interpolation="None",} \\
           plt.colorbar()
            plt.axis("off")
plt.title(f"MAP vs MLE")
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            plt.savefig(f"{figure_path}-mle-vs-map.png")
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src/solutions/q1.py

#### Displaying the learned parameters:



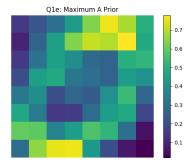


Figure 1: ML parameters

Figure 2: MAP parameters

Comparing the equations:

$$\hat{\mathbf{p}}^{MLE} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \mathbf{x}^{(n)}$$

and

$$\hat{\mathbf{p}}^{MAP} = \frac{\alpha - 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{N} \mathbf{x}^n}{(N + \alpha + \beta - 2)}$$

As the number of data points increases,  $\hat{\mathbf{p}}^{MAP}$  approaches  $\frac{1}{N}\sum_{n=1}^{N}\mathbf{x}^{(n)}$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{p}}^{MLE}$ . This makes sense because as our data set gets bigger, we are less reliant on our prior. However, if a specific pixel in all of the images of our data set are white or all black, the MLE for that pixel would either be 1 or 0. This may not be representative of our intuitions about images, as there should be some non-zero probability of a pixel being black or white. By introducing an appropriate prior we can ensure that the probability of that pixel will never be exactly zero or one. In our case, with a Beta(3,3) prior on each pixel, our parameter values are biased to be closer to 0.5 and to never be at the extremities 0 and 1. We can see this in Figure 2 where the range of our parameters is smaller than the range of Figure 1 and doesn't include zero. Figure 3 visualises  $\hat{\mathbf{p}}^{MAP} - \hat{\mathbf{p}}^{MLE}$  and we can see that for likelihoods greater than 0.5 in the MLE, the MAP has a lower value and for likelihoods less than 0.5, the MAP has a higher value, confirming our intuitions.

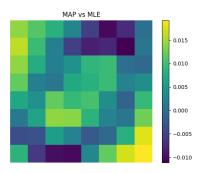


Figure 3:  $\hat{\mathbf{p}}^{MAP} - \hat{\mathbf{p}}^{MLE}$ 

Priors can also help ensure numerical stability during calculations. The logarithm of zero is negative infinity, so having if the MLE is zero it can be problematic for log-likelihoods calculations whereas MAP can ensure non-zero probabilities. Interestingly, when  $\alpha = \beta = 1$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{p}}^{MLE} = \hat{\mathbf{p}}^{MAP}$ . This is when the prior is a uniform distribution and so there is uniform bias on the location of  $\mathbf{p}$  and we recover the MLE.

On the other hand, a mis-specified prior can be problematic, as the estimated parameters might be skewed by the prior and not properly represent the underlying data generating process, this can result in parameter estimates that are worse than using the MLE if our data set is limited.

### Question 2

When all D components are generated from a Bernoulli distribution with  $p_d = 0.5$ , we have the likelihood function for model  $M_1$ :

$$P(\mathbf{x}^{(n)|\mathbf{P}^{(1)}} = [0.5, 0.5, ..., 0.5]^T, M_1) = \prod_{n=1}^{N} \prod_{d=1}^{D} (0.5)^{x_d^{(n)}} (0.5)^{1-x_d^{(n)}}$$

When all D components are generated from Bernoulli distributions with unknown, but identical,  $p_d$ , we have the likelihood function for model  $M_2$ :

$$P(\mathbf{x}^{(n)}|\mathbf{p}^{(2)} = [p_d, p_d, ..., p_d]^T, M_2) = \prod_{n=1}^{N} \prod_{d'=1}^{D} p_d^{x_{d'}^{(n)}} (1 - p_d)^{1 - x_{d'}^{(n)}}$$

When each component is Bernoulli distributed with separate, unknown  $p_d$ , we have the likelihood function for model  $M_3$ :

$$P(\mathbf{x}^{(n)}|\mathbf{p}^{(3)} = [p_1, p_2, ..., p_D]^T, M_3) = \prod_{n=1}^{N} \prod_{d=1}^{D} p_d^{x_d^{(n)}} (1 - p_d)^{1 - x_d^{(n)}}$$

For each model  $M_i$ , we can marginalise out  $\mathbf{p}^{(i)}$  to get  $P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^N | M_i)$ :

$$P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}|M_i) = \int_0^1 \dots \int_0^1 P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}|p_d, M_i) P(p_d|M_i) dp_1 \dots dp_D$$

where d = 1, ..., D and  $\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}$  is our data set.

Given that the prior of any unknown probabilities is uniform, i.e.  $P(p_d|M_i) = 1$ . We can simplify:

$$P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}|M_i) = \int_0^1 \dots \int_0^1 P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}|p_d, M_i) dp_1 \dots dp_D$$

For  $M_1$ , we have that all pixels have probability 0.5:

$$P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}|M_1) = \int_0^1 \dots \int_0^1 \prod_{n=1}^{N} \prod_{d=1}^{D} (0.5)^{x_d^{(n)}} (1 - 0.5)^{1 - x_d^{(n)}} d\theta_1 \dots d\theta_D$$

We can remove the integrals and knowing that either  $x_d^{(n)}$  or  $1 - x_d^{(n)}$  will be 1 and the other zero, we can simplify  $(0.5)^{x_d^{(n)}}(1-0.5)^{1-x_d^{(n)}}$  to 0.5:

$$P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}|M_1) = \prod_{n=1}^{N} \prod_{d=1}^{D} (0.5)$$

$$P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}|M_1) = (0.5)^{N \cdot D}$$

For  $M_2$ , we have that all pixels share some probability  $p_d$  so we only need to integrate over a single variable  $p_d$ :

$$P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}|M_2) = \int_0^1 \prod_{n=1}^N \prod_{d'=1}^D p_d^{x_{d'}^{(n)}} (1 - p_d)^{1 - x_{d'}^{(n)}} dp_d$$

Changing the products to sums:

$$P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}|M_2) = \int_0^1 p_d^{\sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{d'=1}^{D} x_{d'}^{(n)}} (1-p_d)^{\sum_{j=1}^{N} \sum_{d'=1}^{D} 1-x_{d'}^{(n)}} dp_d$$

Rewriting:

$$P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}|M_2) = \int_0^1 (p_d)^K (1 - p_{d'=1})^{N \cdot D - K} dp_d$$

where  $K = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{d'=1}^{D} x_{d'}^{(n)}$ . This integral is the beta function:

$$P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}|M_2) = \frac{K!(N \cdot D - k)!}{(N \cdot D + 1)!}$$

For  $M_3$ , we need an integral for each  $p_d$ :

$$P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}|M_3) = \int_0^1 \dots \int_0^1 \prod_{n=1}^N \prod_{d=1}^D p_d^{x_d^{(n)}} (1 - p_d)^{1 - x_d^{(n)}} dp_1 \dots dp_D$$

We can separate the integrals to only contain the relevant  $p_d$ :

$$P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}|M_3) = \prod_{d=1}^{D} \left( \int_0^1 \prod_{n=1}^{N} p_d^{x_d^{(n)}} (1 - p_d)^{1 - x_d^{(n)}} dp_d \right)$$

Changing the products to sums:

$$P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}|M_3) = \prod_{d=1}^{D} \left( \int_0^1 p_d^{\sum_{n=1}^{N} x_d^{(n)}} (1 - p_d)^{\sum_{n=1}^{N} 1 - x_d^{(j)}} dp_d \right)$$

In this case, we have the product of integrals where each evaluates to a beta function:

$$P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}|M_3) = \prod_{d=1}^{D} \frac{K_d!(N-K_d)!}{(N+1)!}$$

where  $K_d = \sum_{n=1}^{N} x_d^{(n)}$ . The posterior probability of a model  $M_i$  can be expressed:

$$P(M_i|\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^N) = \frac{P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^N|M_i)P(M_i)}{P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^N)}$$

We only have three models, so in this case the normalisation  $P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^N)$  can be expressed as a sum:

$$P(M_i|\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^N) = \frac{P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^N|M_i)P(M_i)}{\sum_{i \in \{1,2,3\}} P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^N|M_i)P(M_i)}$$

Given that  $P(M_i) = \frac{1}{3}$  for all  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ :

$$P(M_i|\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^N) = \frac{P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^N|M_i)}{\sum_{i \in \{1,2,3\}} P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^N|M_i)}$$

i	$P(M_i \{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^N)$
1	1E-1924
2	1E-1858
3	1-(1E-1924)-(1E-1858)

Table 1: Posterior Probabilities

Calculating the posterior probabilities of each of the three models having generated the data in binarydigits.txt using python, we can show the values in the Table 1:

We can see that for models specified to have the same parameter value for all pixels like  $M_1$  is very unlikely with the given data set. This makes sense because it is specifying models where the image is essentially blank (a uniform shade), which is not reflective of our digit images. Moreover,  $M_1$  specifies a specific value of 0.5 for all the parameters whereas  $M_2$  specifies any value for all the parameters as long as it's the same. So the model  $M_1$  is a subset of the models specified in  $M_2$  and we can see this reflected in our probabilities when  $P(M_2|\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^N) > P(M_1|\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^N)$ .

The Python code for calculating the posterior probabilities of the three models:

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import pandas as pd
      from scipy.special import betaln, logsumexp
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      \begin{array}{lll} \textbf{def} & \texttt{-log-p-d-given-m1} \, (\, x \colon \; \texttt{np.ndarray} \,) \; -\!\!\!> \; \textbf{float} : \end{array}
            Calculates log likelihood of model 1: param x: numpy array of shape (N, D): return: log likelihood """
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            n, d = x.shape
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            return n * d * np.log(0.5)
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      def _log_p_d_given_m2(x: np.ndarray):
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            Calculates log likelihood of model 2
            :param x: numpy array of shape (N, D)
:return: log likelihood
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            n, d = x.shape
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      def _log_p_d_given_m3(x: np.ndarray):
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            :param x: numpy array of shape (N, D) return: log likelihood
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            \begin{array}{ll} n\,,\;\; -=x\,.\,\mathrm{shape} \\ k=np\,.\,\mathrm{sum}(x\,,\;\;ax\,\mathrm{i}\,s\!=\!0)\,.\,astype\,(\,\mathrm{i}\,n\,t\,) \\ return\;\; logsumexp\,(\,\mathrm{betaln}\,(\,k\,+\,1\,,\;n\,-\,k\,+\,1\,)\,) \end{array}
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      def _log_p_model_given_data(x) -> np.ndarray:
            Calculates posterior log likelihood of models given image data
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            :param x: numpy array of shape (N, D)
:return: posterior log likelihood
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            log_p_d_given_m = np.array(
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                         -\log_{p}_{d}_{given_{m}}1(x),
                         log_p_d_given_m2(x),
log_p_d_given_m3(x),
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            log-p-m-given-data = log-p-d-given-m - logsumexp(log-p-d-given-m)
            return log_p_m_given_data
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      \begin{array}{lll} \texttt{def} & \texttt{c(x: np.ndarray, table\_path: str)} \ -\!\!\!> \ None: \end{array}
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            Produces answers for question 2c
            :param x: numpy array of shape (N, D) :param table_path: path to store table posterior likelihoods
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            log_p_m_given_data = _log_p_model_given_data(x)
            df = pd.DataFrame(
                   data=np.array(
                              np.arange(len(log-p-m-given_data)).astype(int) + 1,
[f"1E{int(x/np.log(10))}" for x in log-p-m-given_data[:-1]]
+ [
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                                     f"1-\{'-'.join([f'(1E\{int(x/np.log(10))\})'|for x in log_p_m_given_data[:-1]])\}"
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                  ).T.
                   columns=["Model", "P(M_i |D)"],
            df.set_index("Model", inplace=True)
df.to_csv(table_path)
```

src/solutions/q2.py

### Question 3

(a) The likelihood for a model consisting of a mixture of K multivariate Bernoulli distributions can be expressed as the product across N data points:

$$P(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}|\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^{N} P(x_i|\theta)$$

where  $\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}$  is our data set with  $\mathbf{x}^{(n)} \in \mathbb{R}^{D \times 1}$  and  $\theta = \{\pi, \mathbf{P}\}$ ,  $\pi = [\pi_1, ..., \pi_K] \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times 1}$  our mixing proportions  $(0 \le \pi_k \le 1; \sum_k \pi_k = 1)$  and  $\mathbf{P} \in \mathbb{R}^{D \times K}$  the K Bernoulli parameter vectors with elements  $p_{kd}$  denoting the probability that pixel d takes value 1 under mixture component k. We also assume the images are iid and that the pixels are independent of each other within each component distribution.

For each  $P(\mathbf{x}^{(n)}|\theta)$ :

$$P(\mathbf{x}^{(n)}|\theta) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_k \prod_{d=1}^{D} (p_{kd})^{\mathbf{X}_d^{(n)}} (1 - p_{kd})^{1 - \mathbf{X}_d^{(n)}}$$

The log-likelihood  $\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}^{(n)}|\theta)$  can be expressed in matrix form:

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}^{(n)}|\theta) = \log \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_k \exp\left(\mathbf{x}^{(n)} \log(\mathbf{P}_k) + (1 - \mathbf{x}^{(n)}) \log(1 - \mathbf{P}_k)\right)$$

which can be further vectorised using Python scipy's logsumexp operation.

Moreover, the log-likelihood  $\mathcal{L}(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^N | \theta)$  can be expressed:

$$\mathcal{L}(\{\mathbf{x}^{(n)}\}_{n=1}^{N}|\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left(\log \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_k \exp\left(\mathbf{x}^{(n)} \log(\mathbf{P}_k) + (1 - \mathbf{x}^{(n)}) \log(1 - \mathbf{P}_k)\right)\right)$$

(b) We know that:

$$P(A|B) \propto P(B|A)P(A)$$

Thus,

$$P(s^{(n)} = k | \mathbf{x}^{(n)}, \pi, \mathbf{P}) \propto P(\mathbf{x}^{(n)} | s^{(n)} = k, \pi, \mathbf{P}) P(s^{(n)} = k | \pi, \mathbf{P})$$

where  $s^{(n)} \in \{1, ..., K\}$  a discrete hidden variable with  $P(s^{(n)} = k | \mathbf{x}^{(n)}, \pi) = \pi_k$ . Note that  $P(s^{(n)} = k | \mathbf{x}^{(n)}, \pi) = P(s^{(n)} = k | \mathbf{x}^{(n)}, \pi, \mathbf{P})$  as  $s^{(n)}$  isn't dependent on  $\mathbf{P}$ .

Let  $P(s^{(n)} = k | \mathbf{x}^{(n)}, \pi, \mathbf{P}) \propto P(s^{(n)})$  be the unnormalised responsibility  $\tilde{r}_{nk}$ . Using the mixture for component k,  $\pi_k$  and the likelihood function of component k:

$$\tilde{r}_{nk} = \pi_k \prod_{d=1}^{D} (p_{kd})^{\mathbf{X}_d^{(n)}} (1 - p_{kd})^{1 - \mathbf{X}_d^{(n)}}$$

Normalising across the components:

$$r_{nk} = \frac{\tilde{r}_{nk}}{\sum_{j=1}^{K} \tilde{r}_{nj}}$$

we have calculated  $P(s^{(n)} = k | \mathbf{x}^{(n)}, \pi, \mathbf{P})$  for the E step of an EM algorithm. Moreover,

$$\log \tilde{r}_{nk} = \log \pi_k + \sum_{d=1}^{D} \left( \mathbf{x}_d^{(n)} \log(p_{kd}) + (1 - \mathbf{x}_d^{(n)}) \log(1 - \exp(\log(p_{kd}))) \right)$$

and

$$\log r_{nk} = \log \tilde{r}_{nk} - \log \sum_{j=1}^{K} \exp(\log \tilde{r}_{nj})$$

which can be vectorised as  $\log \mathbf{r}_n$  calculated with  $\log \pi$  and  $\log \mathbf{P}$  using Python scipy's logsum exp operation.

(c) We know that the expectation log joint can be expressed:

$$\left\langle \sum_{n} \log P(\mathbf{x}^{(n)}, s^{(n)} | \pi, \mathbf{P}) \right\rangle_{q(\{s^{(n)}\})} = \sum_{n=1}^{N} q(s^{(n)}) \log P(\mathbf{x}^{(n)}, s^{(n)} | \pi, \mathbf{P})$$

Let this quantity be E. Each term of E can be expressed:

$$q(s^{(n)}) = \mathbf{r}_n$$

and

$$\log P(\mathbf{x}^{(n)}, s^{(n)} | \pi, \mathbf{P}) = \log[P(\mathbf{x}^{(n)} | s^{(n)}, \pi, \mathbf{P})P(s^{(n)} | \pi, \mathbf{P})]$$

which is the vectorised version of  $\log \tilde{r}_{nk}$  from part (b) so:

$$\log P(\mathbf{x}^{(n)}, s^{(n)} | \pi, \mathbf{P}) = \log(\pi) + \log(\mathbf{P})^T \mathbf{x}^{(n)} + \log(1 - \mathbf{P})^T (1 - \mathbf{x}^{(n)})$$

Combining:

$$E = \sum_{n} \mathbf{r}_n^T [\log(\pi) + \log(\mathbf{P})^T \mathbf{x}^{(n)} + \log(1 - \mathbf{P})^T (1 - \mathbf{x}^{(n)})]$$

To maximise with respect to  $\pi$  and  $\mathbf{P}$  for the M step, we want to take the derivative, set to zero, and solve for  $\hat{\pi}$  and  $\hat{P}$ .

For the  $k^{th}$  element of  $\pi$ :

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial \pi_k} = \sum_{n} r_{nk} \frac{1}{\pi_k}$$

The second derivative:

$$\frac{\partial E}{(\partial \pi_k)^2} = \sum_n r_{nk} \frac{-1}{(\pi_k)^2}$$

is always negative because  $r_{nk} \ge 0$ ,  $\sum_n r_{nk} = 1$ ,  $\pi_k \ge 0$ , and  $\sum_n \pi_k = 1$ , ensuring a maximum in the next step.

We can calculate the maximiser with:

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial \pi_k} + \lambda = 0$$

where  $\lambda$  is a Lagrange multiplier ensuring that the mixing proportions sum to unity.

Thus,

$$\hat{\pi}_k = \frac{\sum_n r_{nk}}{N}$$

For the  $dk^{th}$  element of **P**:

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial \mathbf{P}_{dk}} = \sum_{n} r_{nk} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{P}_{dk}} [\mathbf{x}_{d}^{(n)} \log \mathbf{P}_{dk} + (1 - \mathbf{x}_{d}^{(n)}) \log(1 - \mathbf{P}_{dk})]$$

Simplifying:

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial \mathbf{P}_{dk}} = \sum_{n} r_{nk} \left( \frac{\mathbf{x}_d^{(n)}}{\mathbf{P}_{dk}} - \frac{1 - \mathbf{x}_d^{(n)}}{1 - \mathbf{P}_{dk}} \right)$$

Similar to Question 1, we can see that taking second derivative, the term in the brackets will always be less than zero and with  $r_{nk} \geq 0$  and  $\sum_{n} r_{nk} = 1$ , the second derivative will always be negative. This ensures that we have a maximum in the next step.

Setting the derivative to zero:

$$\frac{\sum_{n} \mathbf{x}_{d}^{(n)} r_{nk}}{\mathbf{P}_{dk}} - \frac{\sum_{n} r_{nk} - \sum_{n} \mathbf{x}_{d}^{(n)} r_{nk}}{1 - \mathbf{P}_{dk}} = 0$$

Solving for  $\hat{\mathbf{P}}_{dk}$ :

$$\hat{\mathbf{P}}_{dk} \sum_{n} r_{nk} - \hat{\mathbf{P}}_{dk} \sum_{n} \mathbf{x}_{d}^{(n)} r_{nk} = \sum_{n} \mathbf{x}_{d}^{(n)} r_{nk} - \hat{\mathbf{P}}_{dk} \sum_{n} \mathbf{x}_{d}^{(n)} r_{nk}$$

Thus,

$$\hat{\mathbf{P}}_{dk} = \frac{\sum_{n} \mathbf{x}_{d}^{(n)} r_{nk}}{\sum_{n} r_{nk}}$$

We have the maximizing parameters for the expected log-joint

$$\arg \max_{\pi, \mathbf{P}} \left\langle \sum_{n} \log P(\mathbf{x}^{(n)}, s^{(n)} | \pi, \mathbf{P}) \right\rangle_{q(\{s^{(n)}\})}$$

thus obtaining an iterative update for the parameters  $\pi$  and  $\mathbf{P}$  in the M-step of EM. For numerical stability, we can compute the maximisation step for the MAP of  $\mathbf{P}, \hat{\mathbf{P}}_{dk}^{MAP}$  by solving:

$$\frac{\partial E'}{\partial \mathbf{P}_{dk}} = 0$$

where

$$E' = \sum_{n=1}^{N} q(s^{(n)}) \log P(\mathbf{P}|\pi, \mathbf{x}^{(n)}, s^{(n)})$$

and from Bayes':

$$\log P(\mathbf{P}|\pi, \mathbf{x}^{(n)}, s^{(n)}) = \log P(\mathbf{x}^{(n)}, s^{(n)}|\pi, \mathbf{P}) + \log P(\mathbf{P}) - \log P(\mathbf{x}^{(n)}, s^{(n)}|\pi)$$

Assuming an independent Beta prior on each pixel of each component:

$$\log P(\mathbf{P}) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \sum_{d=1}^{D} -\log(B(\alpha, \beta)) + (\alpha - 1)\log \mathbf{P}_{dk} + (\beta - 1)\log(1 - \mathbf{P}_{dk})$$

and

$$\frac{\partial \log P(\mathbf{P})}{\partial \mathbf{P}_{dk}} = \frac{(\alpha - 1)}{\mathbf{P}_{dk}} - \frac{(\beta - 1)}{1 - \mathbf{P}_{dk}}$$

Thus, the derivative can be expressed as:

$$\frac{\partial E'}{\partial \mathbf{P}_{dk}} = \sum_{n} \left( r_{nk} \left( \frac{\partial \log P(\mathbf{x}^{(n)}, s^{(n)} | \pi, \mathbf{P})}{\partial \mathbf{P}_{dk}} + \frac{\partial \log P(\mathbf{P})}{\partial \mathbf{P}_{dk}} \right) \right)$$

Substituting the appropriate expressions:

$$\frac{\partial E'}{\partial \mathbf{P}_{dk}} = \sum_{n} \left( r_{nk} \left( \frac{\mathbf{x}_d^{(n)}}{\mathbf{P}_{dk}} - \frac{1 - \mathbf{x}_d^{(n)}}{1 - \mathbf{P}_{dk}} + \frac{(\alpha - 1)}{\mathbf{P}_{dk}} - \frac{(\beta - 1)}{1 - \mathbf{P}_{dk}} \right) \right)$$

Simplifying:

$$\frac{\partial E'}{\partial \mathbf{P}_{dk}} = \frac{\sum_{n} r_{nk} (\alpha - 1 + \mathbf{x}_d^{(n)})}{\mathbf{P}_{dk}} - \frac{\sum_{n} r_{nk} (\beta - \mathbf{x}_d^{(n)})}{1 - \mathbf{P}_{dk}}$$

For a maximum, we see that we need  $\alpha > \mathbf{x}_d^{(n)} - 1$  or  $\beta < \mathbf{x}_d^{(n)}$ , both of which are satisfied knowing that  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\beta > 0$ . Setting  $\frac{\partial E'}{\partial \mathbf{P}_{dk}} = 0$  we can calculate  $\hat{\mathbf{P}}_{dk}^{MAP}$ :

$$\sum_{n} r_{nk}(\alpha - 1 + \mathbf{x}_{d}^{(n)}) - \hat{\mathbf{P}}_{dk} \sum_{n} r_{nk}(\alpha - 1 + \mathbf{x}_{d}^{(n)}) = \hat{\mathbf{P}}_{dk} \sum_{n} r_{nk}(\beta - \mathbf{x}_{d}^{(n)})$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{P}}_{dk}^{MAP} = \frac{\sum_{n} r_{nk} (\mathbf{x}_d^{(n)} + \alpha - 1)}{(\alpha + \beta - 1)(\sum_{n} r_{nk})}$$

As a sense check, we can see when setting  $\alpha = 1$  and  $\beta = 1$  we recover  $\hat{\mathbf{P}}_{dk}^{MLE}$  as we would expect.

(d) Plotting the posterior likelihood as a function of the iteration number:

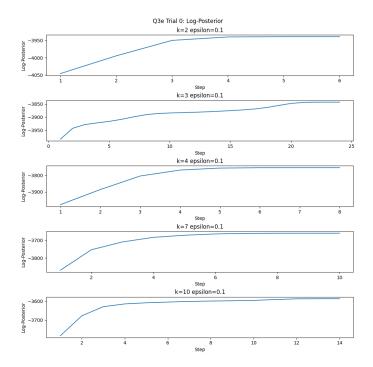


Figure 4: Log Likelihood vs Iteration Number

where epsilon is the stopping condition for the posterior posterior converges.

Displaying the parameters found for K in  $\{2, 3, 4, 7, 10\}$ :

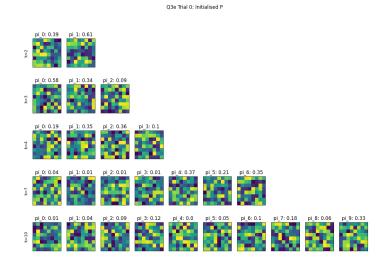


Figure 5: Randomly initialised parameters

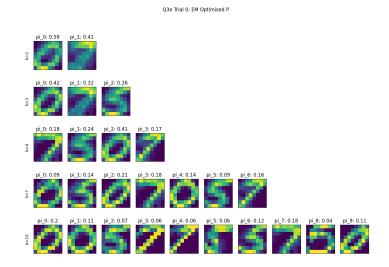


Figure 6: EM optimised parameters

#### The Python code for the EM algorithm:

```
from dataclasses import dataclass
from typing import List, Tuple
 3
       import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
      import numpy as np
from scipy.special import logsumexp
from sklearn.manifold import TSNE
       from src.constants import DEFAULT_SEED
10
      @dataclass
       class Theta:
             Data class containing the model parameters
             log-pi: the logarithm of the mixing proportions (1, k)
log-p_matrix: the logarithm of the probability where the (i,j)th element is the probability that
pixel j takes value 1 under mixture component i (d, k)
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             log_pi: np.ndarray
             log_p_matrix: np.ndarray
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             def pi(self) -> np.ndarray:
25
                   Calculates the mixing proportions :return: vector of mixing proportions (1, k)
30
                   return np.exp(self.log_pi)
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             \begin{array}{ll} \textbf{def} & \texttt{p-matrix} \, (\, \, \texttt{self} \, ) \, \, -\!\!\!> \, \texttt{np.ndarray} \, ; \end{array}
                   Calculates the Bernoulli parameters :return: matrix Bernoulli parameters (d, k)
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                   \begin{array}{lll} d\,, & k \,=\, s\,elf\,.\,log\,‐p\,‐m\,atrix\,.\,shape \\ image\_dimension \,=\, int\,(np\,.\,sqrt\,(d)\,) \end{array}
                    return np.exp(self.log_p_matrix).reshape(image_dimension, image_dimension, -1)
42
             def log_one_minus_p_matrix(self) -> np.ndarray:
44
                    Compute \log(1-P) where P=\exp(\log_-p\_matrix) :return: an array of the same shape as \log_-p\_matrix (d, k)
45
                   log_of_one = np.zeros(self.log_p_matrix.shape)
stacked_sum = np.stack((log_of_one, self.log_p_matrix))
weights = np.ones(stacked_sum.shape)
weights[1] = -1 # scale p matrix by -1 for subtraction
return np.array(logsumexp(stacked_sum, b=weights, axis=0))
49
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53
54
             def log_pi_repeated(self, n: int):
55
56
57
                    Repeats the log_pi vector n times along axis 0 :param n: number of repetitions :return: an array of shape (n, k) """
58
59
60
                    return np.repeat(self.log_pi, n, axis=0)
61
62
      \label{eq:def_def} \begin{array}{ll} def & \verb"-init-params" (k: int , d: int) \ -\!\!\!> \ Theta \colon
64
65
             Random initialisation of theta parameters (log_pi and log_p_matrix)
             :param k: Number of components
:param d: Image dimension (number of pixels in a single image)
:return: theta: the parameters of the model
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                    log_pi=np.log(np.random.dirichlet(np.ones(k), size=1)), log_p_matrix=np.log(np.random.uniform(low=0, high=1, size=(d, k))),
       def _compute_log_component_p_x_i_given_theta(x: np.ndarray, theta: Theta) -> np.ndarray:
             Compute the unweighted probability of each mixing component for each image
             :param x: the image data (n, d)
80
              param theta: the parameters of the model
             :return: an array of the unweighted probabilities (n, k)
81
83
84
              return x @ theta.log_p_matrix + (1 - x) @ theta.log_one_minus_p_matrix
       \begin{array}{lll} \textbf{def \_compute\_log\_p\_x\_i\_given\_theta} \, (x: np.ndarray \, , & theta: Theta) \, \rightarrow \! & np.ndarray \, : \\ \end{array}
86
              Computes the log likelihood of each image in the dataset x
             :param x: the image data (n, d)::param theta: the parameters of the model :return: log_p_x_i=given_theta: a log_i likelihood array containing the log_i likelihood of each image (n, d)
89
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             ,1)
             n\,,\ _{-}\,=\,x\,.\,s\,h\,a\,p\,e
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```
log_component_probabilities = _compute_log_component_p_x_i_given_theta(
 95
                   x, theta
) # (n, k)
 96
 97
                    return np.array(
 98
                            logsumexp(
                                     log_component_probabilities
 99
100
                                     + theta.log_pi_repeated(n), # scale each component by component probability
          def \_compute\_log\_likelihood(x: np.ndarray, theta: Theta) \rightarrow float:
106
107
                    Computes the log likelihood of all images in the dataset x
108
                    :param x: the image data (n, d):param theta: the parameters of the model :return: \log_{p_x} 
109
                    return np.sum(_compute_log_p_x_i_given_theta(x, theta)).item()
114
          \begin{array}{lll} \textbf{def} & \texttt{\_compute\_log\_e\_step} \, (\texttt{x: np.ndarray} \, , & \texttt{theta: Theta}) \, \to & \texttt{np.ndarray:} \end{array}
116
                   Compute the e step of expectation maximisation :param x: the image data (n, d) :param theta: the parameters of the model :return: an array of the log responsibilities of k mixture components for each image (n, k) """
118
                    log\_r\_unnormalised = \_compute\_log\_component\_p\_x\_i\_given\_theta(x, theta)
124
                    log_r_normaliser = logsumexp(log_r_unnormalised, axis=1)
log_responsibility = log_r_unnormalised - log_r_normaliser[:, np.newaxis]
126
                    return log_responsibility
          def _compute_log_pi_hat(log_responsibility: np.ndarray) -> np.ndarray:
130
                    Compute the log of the maximised mixing proportions :param log_responsibility: an array of the log responsibilities of k mixture components for each image
132
                     (n, k)
                    :return: an array of the maximised log mixing proportions (1, k)
133
134
                   n, _ = log_responsibility.shape
136
                   return (logsumexp(log_responsibility, axis=0) - np.log(n)).reshape(1, -1)
138
139
          def _compute_log_p_matrix_hat(
                   x: np.ndarray, log_responsibility: np.ndarray
140
          ) -> np.ndarray:
142
                    Compute the log of the maximised pixel probabilities
143
                    :param \log responsibility: an array of the \log responsibilities of k mixture components for each image
145
                     (n, k)
                    :return: an array of the maximised pixel probabilities for each component (d,\,k)
146
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148
                   n, d = x.shape
149
                   _, k = log_responsibility.shape
150
                    ) # (n, d, k)
156
                    alpha = 2
                    beta = 2
158
159
                    log_p_matrix_unnormalised_posterior = logsumexp(
                             log_responsibility_repeated, b=(x_repeated + alpha - 1), axis=0
160
                    ) # (d, k)
161
                   \label{log_pmatrix_normaliser_posterior} \begin{array}{ll} log\_p\_matrix\_normaliser\_posterior = logsumexp(\\ log\_responsibility\_repeated \;,\; b=(alpha \; + \; beta \; - \; 1) \;,\; axis=0 \end{array}
163
164
                    ) # (d, k)
165
166
                    log_p_matrix_normalised_posterior = (
                             log_p_matrix_unnormalised_posterior - log_p_matrix_normaliser_posterior
169
                    return log_p_matrix_normalised_posterior
173
           def _compute_log_m_step(x: np.ndarray, log_responsibility: np.ndarray) -> Theta:
                   Compute the m step of expectation maximisation :param x: the image data (n, d) \,
176
                     param log_responsibility: an array of the log responsibilities of k mixture components for each image:
                     (n, k)
                    return: thetas optimised after maximisation step
178
179
                    return Theta(
180
181
                            log_pi=_compute_log_pi_hat(log_responsibility),
182
                            log_p_matrix=_compute_log_p_matrix_hat(x, log_responsibility),
183
185
186
          def _run_expectation_maximisation(
```

```
x: np.ndarray, theta: Theta, max_number_of_steps: int, epsilon: float
) -> Tuple[Theta, np.ndarray, List[float]]:
189
190
               Run the expectation maximisation algorithm
               run the expectation maximisation algorithm

:param x: the image data (n, d)

:param theta: initial theta parameters

:param max_number_of_steps: the maximum number of steps to run the algorithm

:param epsilon: the minimum required change in log likelihood, otherwise the algorithm stops early

:return: a tuple containing the optimised thetas, the log responsibilities,

and the log likelihood at each step of the algorithm

"""
191
193
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197
               log_responsibility = None
198
               log_likelihoods = []
199
200
               for _ in range(max_number_of_steps):
    log_responsibility = _compute_log_e_step(x, theta)
201
202
                      theta = _compute_log_m_step(x, log_responsibility)
203
204
                      log_likelihoods.append(_compute_log_likelihood(x, theta))
205
                          check for early stopping
206
                      if len(log_likelihoods) > 1:
    if (log_likelihoods[-1] - log_likelihoods[-2]) < epsilon:
207
208
209
                                   break
               return theta, log_responsibility, log_likelihoods
212
       def _visualise_p_matrix(
    thetas: List[Theta], ks: List[int], figure_title: str, figure_path: str
214
215
        ) -> None:
216
               Visualises the P matrix for different thetas and ks:param thetas: list of Theta instances:param ks: list of k values used for each Theta:param figure_title: name of figure:param figure_path: path to store figure
218
219
               :return:
222
               n = len(ks)
              m = np.max(ks)
fig = plt.figure()
fig.set_figwidth(15)
226
               fig.set_figheight(10)
for i, k in enumerate(ks):
    for j in range(k):
228
229
230
                            ax = plt.subplot(n, m, m * i + j + 1)
ax.imshow(
    thetas[i].p_matrix[:, :, j],
    interpolation="None",
232
233
236
                             ax.tick_params (
                                   axis="x",
which="both",
237
                                    bottom=False,
240
                                   top=False,
242
                             ax.tick_params(
                                   axis="y",
which="both",
244
                                    left=False.
245
                                    right=False,
247
                            ax.xaxis.set_ticklabels([])
ax.yaxis.set_ticklabels([])
248
250
                             ax.set_title(f"pi_{j}: {np.round(thetas[i].pi[0, j], 2)}")
251
                             if j == 0:
                                   ax.set_ylabel(f"{k=}")
               fig.suptitle(figure_title)
253
254
               plt.savefig(figure_path)
256
        def _visualise_responsibility_clusters(
258
               log_responsibilities: List[np.ndarray],
               ks: List[int],
figure_title: str,
259
260
261
               figure_path: str,
262
        ) -> None:
               Visualise responsibility vectors of images using TSNE for different k values :param log_responsibilities: list of log responsibilities for different ks :param ks: list of k values used for each Theta :param figure_title: name of figure :param figure_path: path to store figure
264
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268
269
270
               n = len(ks)
               fig = plt.figure()
fig.set_figwidth(5 * n)
273
               fig.set_figheight(5)
               for i, k in enumerate(ks):
if k > 2:
276
                            embedding = TSNE(
                                   n_components=2,
278
                                    learning_rate="auto",
init="random",
279
281
                                    perplexity=10,
                                    random_state=DEFAULT_SEED,
282
```

```
283
                           ).fit_transform(log_responsibilities[i])
284
                         embedding = np.exp(log_responsibilities[i])
285
                    ax = plt.subplot(1, n, i + 1)
ax.scatter(embedding[:, 0], embedding[:, 1])
286
287
288
                    ax.set_title(f"\{k=\}
289
              fig.suptitle(figure_title)
200
              plt.savefig(figure_path, bbox_inches="tight")
291
       def -plot_log_posteriors(
    log_posteriors: List[List[float]],
    ks: List[int],
203
294
295
                            float
296
              epsilon: float, figure_title: str,
              figure_path: str,
298
       ) -> None:
300
              Plot log posteriors as a function of EM iteration for different ks:param log_posteriors: list of vectors, each representing the log posterior during EM for a specific k:param ks: list of k values used for each Theta
301
302
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304
              :param epsilon: value used for early stopping of EM :param figure_title: name of figure
305
306
              :param figure_path: path to store figure
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309
              fig , ax = plt.subplots(len(ks), 1, constrained\_layout=True)
              fig.set_figwidth(10)
310
              fig.set_figheight(10)
for i, k in enumerate(ks):
311
                    ax[i].plot(np.arange(1, len(log_posteriors[i]) + 1), log_posteriors[i])
ax[i].set_xlabel("Step")
ax[i].set_ylabel(f"Log-Posterior")
313
314
315
              ax[i].set_title(f"{k=})
plt.suptitle(figure_title)
316
                                                          \{epsilon=\}")
318
              plt.savefig(figure_path)
319
320
321
322
       def e(
              x: np.ndarray
              number_of_trials: int,
ks: List[int],
epsilon: float,
324
325
327
              max_number_of_steps: int,
              figure_path: str,
figure_title: str,
328
       ) -> None:
330
331
332
              Produces answers for question 3e
              :param x: numpy array of shape (N, D):param number-of-trials: number of trails to run EM
              :param ks: k values to use for each trial
:param epsilon: value used for early stopping of EM
:param max_number_of_steps: maximum number of steps during EM
335
337
              :param figure_title: base name of figures
:param figure_path: base paths to store figure
338
339
              :return:
340
341
              n, d = x.shape
343
              np.random.seed(DEFAULT_SEED)
              for i in range(number_of_trials):
    init_thetas: List[Theta] = []
    em_thetas: List[Theta] = []
    log_posteriors: List[List[float]] = []
    log_responsibilities: List[np.ndarray] = []
    for j, k in enumerate(ks):
        init_theta = init_params(k, d)
344
346
349
                           init_theta = _init_params(k, d)
350
                           em_theta, log_responsibility, log_posterior = _run_expectation_maximisation(
352
353
                                  theta=init_theta,
354
                                  epsilon=epsilon ,
                                 max_number_of_steps=max_number_of_steps,
355
356
357
                           init_thetas.append(init_theta)
                           em_thetas.append(em_theta)
log_responsibilities.append(log_responsibility)
360
                           log_posteriors.append(log_posterior)
361
                     _visualise_p_matrix (
363
                           init\_thetas ,
364
                           figure_title=f"{figure_title} Trial {i}: Initialised P", figure_path=f"{figure_path}-{i}-initialised-p.png",
365
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368
                     _visualise_p_matrix (
369
                           em_thetas.
370
                           \begin{array}{l} figure\_title=f"\left\{figure\_title\right\} & Trial \left\{i\right\}: EM \ Optimised \ P", \\ figure\_path=f"\left\{figure\_path\right\}-\left\{i\right\}-optimised-p.png", \end{array}
373
                     _visualise_responsibility_clusters(
log_responsibilities,
374
375
                           figure_title=f"{figure_title} Trial {i}: TSNE Responsibility Visualisation", figure_path=f"{figure_path}-{i}-tsne.png",
378
```

```
)
-plot_log_posteriors(
    log_posteriors,
    ks,
    epsilon,
    figure_title=f"{figure_title} Trial {i}: Log-Posterior",
    figure_path=f"{figure_path}-{i}-log-pos.png",
)
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```

src/solutions/q3.py

(e) Running the algorithm a few times starting from randomly chosen initial conditions and visualising the parameters:

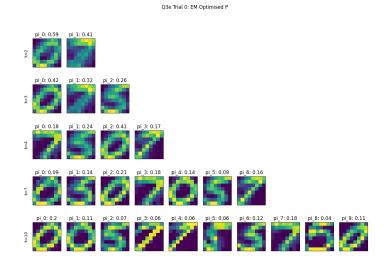


Figure 7: EM optimised parameters: Trial 0

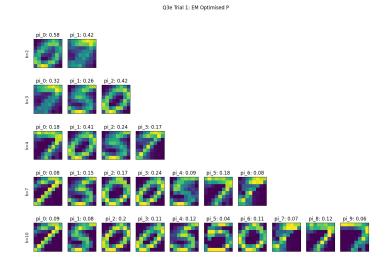


Figure 8: EM optimised parameters: Trial 1

Q3e Trial 2: EM Optimised P

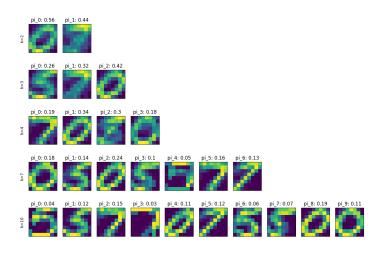


Figure 9: EM optimised parameters: Trial 2

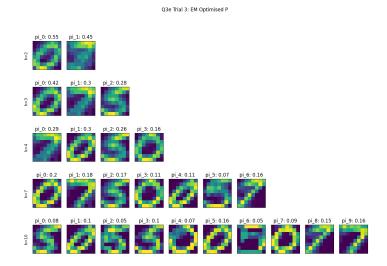


Figure 10: EM optimised parameters: Trial 3

For smaller k, we can visually see that we obtain very similar solutions (a 7 and a 0 for k = 2). However for higher K, we see that this may not always be the case. For Trial 2 of k = 10, we have three 5's whereas in Trial 4 we have two 5's. Interestingly, different clusters of the same digits can be different, representing different variants of the written digit (i.e. a slanted zero, a slightly slanted zero, and a symmetric zero).

Moreover, looking at the responsibilities of each mixture component, we can see that when k is relatively small they are relatively evenly distributed. However for k = 7 and especially k = 10, we can see some components have very small or zero probability (i.e.  $\pi_2$  of trial 2). It will be unlikely for those components to represent very distinct clusters (i.e. the parameters for  $\pi_2$  and  $\pi_9$  are very similar in trial 2) This can be verified when we perform a TSNE visualisation of the responsibility vector for each of the images (Note that for k = 2, the responsibility vector is displayed). We can see that for large k, qualitatively the number of clusters no longer matches the k value, indicating that some clusters are redundant. For example for k = 7 and k = 10 we can only qualitatively see four or five clusters with TSNE.

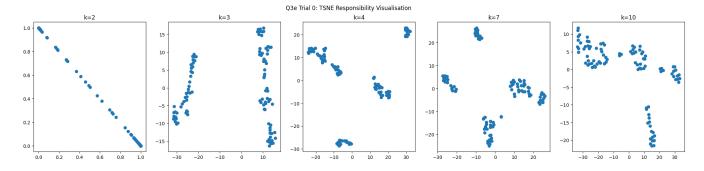


Figure 11: TSNE Visualisation of Image responsibilities: Trial 0

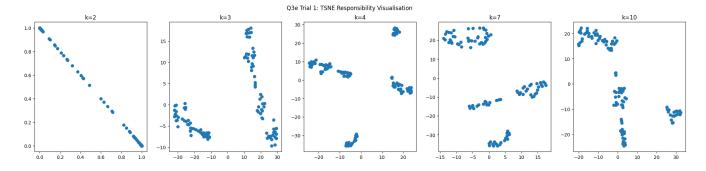


Figure 12: TSNE Visualisation of Image responsibilities: Trial 1

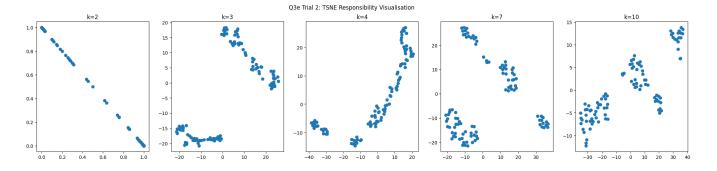


Figure 13: TSNE Visualisation of Image responsibilities: Trial 2

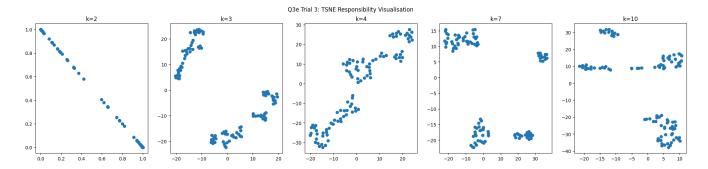


Figure 14: TSNE Visualisation of Image responsibilities: Trial 3

Improvements to the model could include searching for an optimal k by maximising the log posterior with regularisation on the magnitude of k to balancing maximising log posterior with minimising model complexity. Additionally, adding a prior on the responsibility components can be helpful to ensure non-zero mixing components unlike the components visualised here. This could help promote more meaningful clusters as k increases.

[BONUS] Express the log-likelihoods obtained in bits and relate these numbers to the length of the naive encoding of these binary data. How does your number compare to gzip (or another compression algorithm)? Why the difference? [5 marks]

[BONUS] Consider the total cost of encoding both the model parameters and the data given the model. How does this total cost compare to gzip (or similar)? How does it depend on K? What might this tell you? [5 marks]

## Question 5

(a) The formulae for the ML estimates of  $P(s_i = \alpha | s_{i-1} = \beta) = \Psi(\alpha, \beta)$ :

$$\Psi(\alpha, \beta) = \frac{N_{s_i, s_{i-1}}}{N_{s_{i-1}}}$$

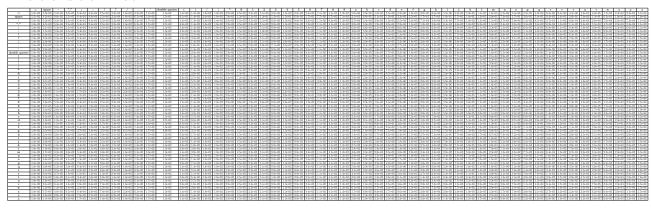
where  $N_{s_i,s_{i-1}}$  is the count of the number of occurrences of the pair  $(s_i,s_{i-1})$ , where  $s_{i-1}$  is followed by  $s_i$  and  $N_{s_{i-1}}$  is the number of occurrences of  $s_{i-1}$ .

Moreover, the stationary distribution  $\phi$  can be calculated using the power method:

- (i) Initialise any  $\phi_0 \in \mathbb{R}^{53 \times 1}$
- (ii) Repeat  $\phi_{i+1} = \Psi \phi_i$
- (iii) Terminate when  $\phi_{i+1} \phi_i < \epsilon$

where  $\Psi \in \mathbf{R}^{53 \times 53}$  containing the transition probabilities,  $\Psi_{i,j} = P(\alpha_j | \alpha_i)$  where  $\alpha_i$  is the  $i^{th}$  symbol and  $\alpha_j$  is the  $j^{th}$  symbol, and  $\epsilon$  is some small number indicating sufficient convergence of the distribution to be considered stationary. The function  $\phi(\gamma)$  is simply the index of  $\gamma$  in the vector  $\phi$ .

The transition matrix  $\Psi$ :



(Apologies for the tiny font, latex was being difficult)

The invariant distribution  $\phi$ :

Symbol	Probability
=	1.7e-05
space	1.7e-01
-	6.1e-04
,	1.2e-02
;	3.9e-04
:	2.9e-04
!	6.0e-04
?	4.7e-04
/	1.9e-05
	7.7e-03
,	1.9e-05
double quotes	2.4e-05
(	2.3e-04
)	2.2e-04
[	1.7e-05
]	1.7e-05
*	1.1e-04
0	6.9e-05
1	1.4e-04
2	6.0e-05
3	3.4e-05
4	2.3e-05
5	3.2e-05
6	3.2e-05
7	2.8e-05
8	7.6e-05
9	2.6e-05
a	6.6e-02
b	1.1e-02
c	2.0e-02
d	3.8e-02
е	1.0e-01
f	1.8e-02
g	1.6e-02
h	5.4e-02
i	5.6e-02
j	8.5e-04
k	6.4e-03
l	3.1e-02
m	2.0e-02
n	5.9e-02
0	6.2e-02
P	1.5e-02
q	7.7e-04
r	4.7e-02
S	5.2e-02
t	7.2e-02
u	2.1e-02
V	8.5e-03
w	1.9e-02
x	1.4e-03
У	1.5e-02
z	7.4e-04

(b) The latent variables  $\sigma(s)$  for different symbols s are not independent. This is because by choosing an encoding for one symbol  $e = \sigma(s)$ , the encoding for a second symbol  $\sigma(s')$  cannot be e. We have 53 symbols but only 52 degrees of freedom, because once we have defined the encoding for 52 symbols, the encoding for the  $53^{rd}$  symbol cannot be chosen. Thus, there exists a dependence between the symbols for a given  $\sigma$ .

The joint probability of the encrypted text  $e_1e_2\cdots e_n$  given  $\sigma$ :

$$P(e_1, e_2, ..., e_n | \sigma) = \phi(\gamma = \sigma^{-1}(e_1)) \prod_{i=2}^n \psi(\alpha = \sigma^{-1}(e_i), \beta = \sigma^{-1}(e_{i-1}))$$

because  $\sigma$  is the encoding function, mapping a symbol s into the encoded symbol e, we require  $\sigma^{-1}$  the decoding function mapping the encoded symbol e back to s.

(c) The proposal probability  $S(\sigma \to \sigma')$  depends on the permutations of  $\sigma$  and  $\sigma'$ . Our proposal generating process restricts us to choose a proposal  $\sigma'$  that differs from  $\sigma$  only at two spots:

$$\sigma'(s^i) = \sigma(s^j)$$

$$\sigma'(s^j) = \sigma(s^i)$$

for any two symbols  $s^i$  and  $s^j$  of the 53 possible symbols  $(s^i \neq s^j)$ .

Therefore, if the above doesn't hold for  $\sigma'$ ,  $S(\sigma \to \sigma') = 0$ . From  $\sigma$  there are  $\binom{53}{2}$  possible proposal  $\sigma'$ 's with the above property. Because we are assuming a uniform prior distribution over  $\sigma$ 's, the transition probability of a  $\sigma'$  that satisfies the above property is  $S(\sigma \to \sigma') = \frac{1}{\binom{53}{2}}$ .

The MH acceptance probability is given as:

$$A(\sigma \to \sigma'|\mathcal{D}) = \min\{1, \frac{S(\sigma' \to \sigma)P(\sigma'|\mathcal{D})}{S(\sigma \to \sigma')P(\sigma|\mathcal{D})})\}$$

because  $S(\sigma \to \sigma')$  is the conditional transition probability of  $\sigma'$  given  $\sigma$  and  $\mathcal{D}$  is our encrypted text  $e_1, e_2, ..., e_n$ .

 $S(\sigma \to \sigma') = S(\sigma' \to \sigma)$  for all  $\sigma$  and  $\sigma'$  that differ only at two spots because the probability in this case will always be  $\frac{1}{\binom{53}{2}}$ , we can simplify:

$$A(\sigma \to \sigma' | \mathcal{D}) = \min\{1, \frac{P(\sigma' | \mathcal{D})}{P(\sigma | \mathcal{D})}\}$$

From Bayes' Theorem:

$$P(\sigma|\mathcal{D}) = \frac{P(\mathcal{D}|\sigma)P(\sigma)}{\sum_{\sigma'} P(\mathcal{D}|\sigma')P(\sigma')}$$

We are assuming a uniform prior for  $\sigma$ , so  $P(\sigma)$  is a constant and we can simplify further:

$$A(\sigma \to \sigma'|\mathcal{D}) = \min\{1, \frac{P(\mathcal{D}|\sigma')}{P(\mathcal{D}|\sigma)}\}$$

This is the acceptance probability for a given proposal  $\sigma'$ . The expression for  $P(\mathcal{D}|\sigma)$  is  $P(e_1, e_2, ..., e_n|\sigma)$  described in the previous part.

(d) Reporting the current decryption of the first 60 symbols after every 100 iterations:

MH Iteration	Current Decryption   6m p2 2namr'= )mk pn=' batm'=)3t' 2')=q p2 8)*9'= r)b' p' qn
100	er pl losrua= drk po=a bstra=dita lad=n pl -df:a= udba pa no
200	er nl loiruah drw noha bitrahdsta ladhp nl xdymah udba na po
300 400	er nl loiruav srw nova bitravsdta lasvp nl xsymav usba na po er vd dsir,an orw vsna bitranolta daony vd uophan ,oba va ys
500	er c, ,sirdan or. csna bitranolta ,aony c, uophan doba ca ys
<del>600</del> 700	en ek kyindar on. eyra bitnarolta kaors ek uophar doba ea sy en pk klindar on. plra bitnaroyta kaors pk uochar doba pa sl
800	en p, ,londar in. plra botnariyta ,airs p, fichar diba pa sl
900	en pu ulondar in. plra botnariyta uairs pu fichar diba pa sl en pl luondar in. pura botnariyta lairs pl fighar diba pa su
1100	en pl luondar in. pura cotnarixta lairs pl fighar dica pa su
1200 1300	en pk kuondar inl pura comnarixma kairs pk fighar dica pa su
1400	en ck kuondar inl cura pomnarixma kairs ck fighar dipa ca su en ck koundar inl cora pumnarixma kairs ck fighar dipa ca so
1500	en ck koundar inl cora vumnarixma kairs ck fithar diva ca so
1600 1700	en ck koundar inl cora vumnarixma kairs ck fithar diva ca so an ck kounder inl core vumnerixme keirs ck fither dive ce so
1800	an ck kounler ind core vumnerixme keirs ck fither live ce so
1900 2000	an ck kounler ind core vumnerixme keirs ck fither live ce so an ck kounler ind core vumnerixme keirs ck fither live ce so
2100	an ck kounler ind core vumnerixme keirs ck fither live ce so
2200	an ck kounler ind core vumnerixme keirs ck fither live ce so an ck kounger ind core vumnerixme keirs ck fither give ce so
2400	an ck kounger ind core vulnerixhe keirs ck fither give ce so
2500	an mk kounger ind more vulnerixle keirs mk fither give me so
2600	an mk kounger ind more vulneriple keirs mk fither give me so an mk kounger ind more vulneriple keirs mk fither give me so
2800	an mk kounger ind more vulneriple keirs mk fither give me so
2900	an mk kounger ind more vulneriple keirs mk fither give me so an mk kounger ind more vulneriple keirs mk fither give me so
3100	an mf founger ind more vulneriple feirs mf kither give me so
3200	an mf founger ind more vulneriple feirs mf kither give me so an mf founger ind more vulneriple feirs mf kither give me so
3400	an mf founger ind more vulneriple feirs mf kither give me so an mf founger ind more vulneriple feirs mf kither give me so
3500	an mf founger ind more vulneriple feirs mf kither give me so
3600	an mf founger ind more vulneriple feirs mf kither give me so an mf founger ind more vulneriple feirs mf kither give me so
3800	an mf founger ind more vulneriple feirs mf kither give me so
3900	in mf founger and more vulneraple fears mf kather gave me so in mf founger and more vulneraple fears mf kather gave me so
4100	in mf founger and more vulneraple fears mf kather gave me so
4200 4300	in mf founger and more vulnerable fears mf kather gave me so
4400	in mf founger and more vulnerable fears mf kather gave me so in mf founger and more vulnerable fears mf yather gave me so
4500	in mf founger and more vulnerable fears mf yather gave me so
4600 4700	in mf founger and more vulnerable fears mf yather gave me so in mf founger and more vulnerable fears mf yather gave me so
4800	in mf founger and more vulnerable fears mf yather gave me so
4900 5000	in mf founger and more vulnerable fears mf yather gave me so in mf founger and more vulnerable fears mf yather gave me so
5100	in mf founger and more vulnerable fears mf yather gave me so
5200 5300	in mf founger and more vulnerable fears mf yather gave me so in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
5400	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
5500 5600	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
5700	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
5800	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
5900 6000	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
6100	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
6200	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
6400	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
6500	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
6700	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
6800 6900	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
7000	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
7100 7200	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
7300	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
7400	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
7500 7600	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
7700	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
7800 7900	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
8000	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
8100 8200	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
8300	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
8400	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
8500 8600	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
8700	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
8800 8900	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
9000	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
9100 9200	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
9200	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
9400	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
9500 9600	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
9700	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
9800 9900	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so
10000	in my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me so

#### The corresponding $\sigma$ :

s	$\sigma(s)$
=	
space	x
-	h
,	,
;	1
:	n
!	r
?	е
	f
	b
,	3
double quotes	5
(	4
)	9
T T	i
i	0
*	1
0	Z
1	m
2	c
3	/
4	;
5	
6	*
7	k
8	:
9	q
a	)
ь	2
c	-
d	7
e	,
f	0
g	S
h	!
i	j
j	(
k	8
1	y
m	v
n	d
0	=
P	space
q	6
r	g
s	t
t	double quotes
u	Р
v	j
w	a
x	u
y	?
z	W
	1

To help with chain initialisation, 10000 different  $\sigma$ 's were randomly and independently sampled. The  $\sigma$  providing the best log-likelihood was chosen as the starting point for the MH chain and algorithm was then run for 10000 iterations. Moreover, ten different trials were performed, where the trial with the best log-likelihood is displayed.

#### The Python code for the MH sampler:

```
from typing import Dict, List, Tuple
3
     import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
     from sklearn.preprocessing import normalize
      from src.constants import DEFAULT_SEED
      def _convert_to_scientific_notation(x: float) -> str:
10
           Convert value to string in scientific notation
           :param x: value to convert
:return: string of x in scientific notation
"""
13
14
           return "\{:.1e\}".format(float(x))
19
      class Decrypter:
           \begin{array}{lll} def & \_\_init\_\_(self \;,\; decryption\_dict \colon \; Dict[\,str \;,\; \,str \,]\,) \; -\!\!> \; None \colon \\ \end{array}
20
                Decrypter containing the mapping a symbol to its encrypted symbol :param decryption_dict:
22
24
25
                 self.decryption_dict = decryption_dict
26
           def decrypt(self, encrypted_message: str) -> str:
                Decrypts an encrypted message using the decryption dictionary
30
                 : param\ encrypted\_message:\ the\ encrypted\ message\ to\ decrypt
                 :return: decrypted message
33
34
                return \ "".join([self.decryption\_dict[x] \ for \ x \ in \ encrypted\_message])
35
           def table(self) -> pd.DataFrame:
36
                Generate table containing symbol decryptions :return: pandas table of decryptions """
38
                decrpyter_table = pd.DataFrame(
    self.decryption_dict.items(), columns=["s", "sigma(s)"]
42
                decrpyter_table [decrpyter_table == ""] = "space"
decrpyter_table [decrpyter_table == '"'] = "double quotes"
return decrpyter_table.set_index("s")
44
45
      class Statistics:
           def __init__(
    self ,
50
51
                training_text: str,
symbols: List[str],
invariant_stopping_epsilon: float = 5e-20,
55
56
57
           ) -> None:
                Statistics for text
                :param training_text: training text for calculating transition and invariant probability :param symbols: symbols in the training text :param invariant_stopping_epsilon: stopping condition for constructing the invariant distribution
58
59
60
61
62
                self.training_text = training_text
                 self.symbols = symbols
                self.num.symbols = len(symbols)
self.symbols_dict = self._construct_symbols_dictionary(symbols)
self.transition_matrix = self._construct_transition_matrix(
64
67
                      {\tt training\_text}\ ,\ {\tt self.symbols\_dict}
69
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76
                 self.invariant_distribution = self._approximate_invariant_distribution(
                      invariant_stopping_epsilon
                 self.log_transition_matrix = np.log(self.transition_matrix)
                 self.log_invariant_distribution = np.log(self.invariant_distribution)
           def list_of_symbols_for_df(self) -> List[str]:
                Replace certain symbols to prepare for dataframe :return: list of symbols with some replacements ""
                x = self.symbols.copy()
                83
84
                return x
86
           @property
           def transition_table(self) -> pd.DataFrame:
                Generate a table containing transition probabilities :return: transition probabilities
89
91
                {\tt df\_transitions} \ = \ {\tt pd.DataFrame} \, (
92
                      data=self.transition_matrix
94
                      columns=self.list_of_symbols_for_df,
```

```
95
96
                df_transitions.index = self.list_of_symbols_for_df
               return df_transitions.applymap(_convert_to_scientific_notation)
97
98
aa
          def invariant_distribution_table(self) -> pd.DataFrame:
101
               Generate a table containing invariant distribution probabilities return: invariant distribution probabilities
104
               df =
                    pd . DataFrame (
106
                         data = self.invariant_distribution.reshape(1, -1),
107
108
                         {\tt columns=self.list\_of\_symbols\_for\_df} \ ,
                    .applymap(_convert_to_scientific_notation)
110
                    .transpose()
                    .reset_index()
               df.columns = ["Symbol", "Probability"]
return df.set_index("Symbol")
114
          @staticmethod
          \label{lem:def_construct_symbols_dictionary(symbols: List[str]) -> Dict[str, int]:} \\
               Construct a dictionary mapping each symbol to an integer :param symbols: list of symbols to map :return: symbol to integer mapping
124
               return {k: v for v, k in enumerate(symbols)}
          def _construct_transition_matrix(
126
               self, text: str, symbols_dict: Dict[str, int]
127
128
          ) -> np.ndarray:
130
               Constructs the transition matrix for a given text
               :param text: string to calculate transition matrix with :param symbols_dict: dictionary mapping symbol to a dictionary
               :return:
134
              136
138
140
142
               return transition_matrix
144
145
          def _approximate_invariant_distribution (
                       invariant_stopping_epsilon: float
147
          ) \rightarrow np.ndarray:
148
               Approximate the invariant distribution with the power method
               :param invariant.stopping.epsilon: stopping condition for constructing the invariant distribution :return: the invariant distribution as a vector (number of symbols, 1)
150
               invariant_distribution = np.zeros((self.num_symbols, 1))
previous_invariant_distribution = invariant_distribution.copy()
               \# make sure it's a proper distribution that sums to one invariant_distribution [0] = 1
156
158
               while (
                    np.linalg.norm(invariant_distribution - previous_invariant_distribution)
161
                    > invariant_stopping_epsilon
                    previous_invariant_distribution = invariant_distribution.copy()
163
                    invariant_distribution = self.transition_matrix @ invariant_distribution
164
               return invariant_distribution
165
166
          def log_transition_probability(self, alpha: str, beta: str) -> float:
168
169
               Look up the \log probability of the transition from symbol alpha to beta
               :param alpha: symbol that is being transitioned from :param beta: symbol that is being transitioned to
               :return: probability of transition
172
               return self.log_transition_matrix[
                    self.symbols_dict[beta], self.symbols_dict[alpha]
176
178
          \begin{tabular}{ll} def & log\_invariant\_probability (self, gamma: str) \rightarrow float: \\ \end{tabular}
179
180
               Look up the log probability of a symbol with respect to the invariant distribution
               :param gamma: symbol to query
:return: log probability of the symbol
181
182
183
               return self.log_invariant_distribution[self.symbols_dict[gamma]].item()
184
185
186
          def compute\_log\_probability(self, text: str) \rightarrow float:
187
               Compute the log probability of a given text containing symbols
189
               :param text: text to compute log probability for :return: log probability of the text
190
```

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191
                   \label{log_probability} \begin{array}{ll} \log_{\text{-probability}} = \text{self.log\_invariant\_probability} (\text{text}\,[0]) \\ \text{for } i \text{ in } \text{range}(1, \, \text{len}(\text{text})) \colon \\ \log_{\text{-probability}} + = \text{self.log\_transition\_probability} (\text{text}\,[i], \, \text{text}\,[i-1]) \end{array}
194
                    return log_probability
195
196
197
198
       {\color{red}\textbf{class}} \quad \textbf{MetropolisHastingsDecryption}
             def_{-init}(self, symbols: List[str]):
199
200
201
                   {\tt Metropolis\ Hastings\ MCMC\ for\ Decryption}
                   :param symbols: set of symbols to decrypt
202
203
204
                   self.symbols = symbols
205
             def generate_random_decrypter(self) -> Decrypter:
206
207
208
                    Generates a random decrypter
                   :return: a Decrypter instantiation
209
210
                   return Decrypter (
212
213
                                self.symbols[i]: self.symbols[x]
                                for i, x in enumerate
                                     np.random.permutation(np.arange(len(self.symbols)))
216
                         }
218
                   )
219
220
             @staticmethod
             {\tt def} \ \ {\tt generate\_proposal\_decryption} \ (\ {\tt decrypter}: \ \ {\tt Decrypter}) \ \ {\small \ \ } \ \ {\tt Decrypter}:
222
223
                    Generate a proposal decrypter by randomly swapping two of the decryption mappings
                   :param decrypter: the decrypter used to generate the proposal :return: a proposal decrypter
224
226
                   \begin{array}{lll} x1 &=& np.random.choice(\ list(\ decrypter.decryption\_dict.keys()))\\ x2 &=& np.random.choice(\ list(\ decrypter.decryption\_dict.keys())) \end{array}
                   proposal_decryption = decrypter.decryption_dict.copy()
proposal_decryption[x2], proposal_decryption[x1] = (
    decrypter.decryption_dict[x1],
230
                          decrypter.decryption_dict[x2]
233
234
                   return Decrypter (proposal_decryption)
236
             @staticmethod
237
             def _choose_decrypter(
                    statistics: Statistics .
238
                    encrypted_message: str,
current_decrypter: Decrypter,
240
241
                   \begin{array}{ll} {\tt proposal\_decrypter: \ Decrypter:} \end{array},
             ) -> Decrypter:
243
                   Choose between the current and proposal decrypter :param statistics: Statistics instantiation for calculating log probabilities
244
                   :param encrypted_message: the encrypted message
:param current_decrypter: the current decrypter
246
248
                    :param proposal_decrypter: the proposal decrypter
249
                   :return:
                   # calculate log probabilities
current_log_probability = statistics.compute_log_probability(
    text=current_decrypter.decrypt(encrypted_message),
254
                   'proposal_log_probability = statistics.compute_log_probability(
    text=proposal_decrypter.decrypt(encrypted_message),
                   )
257
258
                   # calculate acceptance probability
acceptance_probability = np.min(
260
                          [1, np.exp(proposal_log_probability - current_log_probability)]
261
262
                   # choose decrypter using the acceptance probability
263
264
                   return np.random.choice(
265
                          [current_decrypter, proposal_decrypter],
                         p=[1 - acceptance\_probability, acceptance\_probability],
266
267
268
             def _find_good_starting_decrypter(
269
                   self,
statistics: Statistics,
encrypted_message,
270
271
                    number_start_attempts,
274
             ) \rightarrow Decrypter:
                   Find a good starting decrypter for the sampler by choosing the one with the best log likelihood:param statistics: Statistics instantiation for calculating log probabilities
277
                    :param encrypted_message: the encrypted message
                   :param number_start_attempts: number of possible starting decrypters to check :return: the best starting decrypter for the sampler """
279
280
282
                    best_log_likelihood = -np.float("inf")
283
                    best_decrypter = None
                    for _ in range(number_start_attempts):
285
                          decrypter = self.generate_random_decrypter()
286
                          if (
```

```
statistics.compute_log_probability(
288
                                      text=decrypter.decrypt(encrypted_message)
289
290
                               > best_log_likelihood
291
                         ):
                               best_decrypter = decrypter
292
293
                   return best_decrypter
204
             def run(
295
296
297
                    encrypted_message: str,
                    statistics: Statistics, number_of_mh_loops: int,
298
299
300
                    number_start_attempts: int
                    log_decryption_interval: int,
301
302
                    log_decryption_size: int,
303
             ) \rightarrow Tuple [Decrypter, List [str]]:
304
                   Run the sampler with two steps:

1. find a good starting decrypter for the sampler
2. run the sampler
305
306
307
                   2. run the sampler
:param encrypted-message: the encrypted message
:param statistics: Statistics instantiation for calculating log probabilities
:param number_of_mh_loops: number of loops to run the metropolis hastings sampler
:param number_start_attempts: number of possible starting decrypters to check
:param log_decryption_interval: number of samples between logging the decrypted message
:param log_decryption_size: number of symbols to decrypt when logging the decrypted message
:return: a tuple containing the decrypter found from the sampler and the logged decryption message
"""
308
309
310
311
312
314
315
                    decrypter = self._find_good_starting_decrypter(
317
                          statistics \;,\; encrypted\_message \;,\; number\_start\_attempts
318
319
                    logged_decryption_message = [
320
                          \tt decrypter.decrypt(encrypted\_message)~[:log\_decryption\_size~]
321
                    for i in range(1, number_of_mh_loops + 1):
    if (i + 1) % log_decryption_interval == 0:
        logged_decryption_message.append(
322
323
324
325
                                      decrypter.decrypt(encrypted_message)[:log_decryption_size]
326
                          proposal_decrypter = self.generate_proposal_decryption(decrypter)
                          decrypter = self._choose_decrypter(
    statistics, encrypted_message, decrypter, proposal_decrypter
328
329
330
331
                   return decrypter, logged_decryption_message
332
       def _construct_logged_decryptions_table(
    logged_decryption_message, log_decryption_interval
334
335
336
       ) -> pd.DataFrame:
337
              decrypted_message_iterations_table = pd.DataFrame(
339
                          \verb"np.arange" (0, \verb"len" (logged_decryption_message")) * log_decryption_interval ,
340
                         logged_decryption_message,
342
              ).transpose()
343
              decrypted_message_iterations_table.columns = ["MH Iteration", "Current Decryption"]
              return decrypted_message_iterations_table.set_index("MH Iteration")
344
345
346
347
             symbols: List[str],
training_text: str,
348
350
              transition_matrix_path: str
351
              invariant_distribution_path: str,
353
354
              Produces answers for question 5a
              :param symbols: symbols in the training text
              :param training_text: training text for calculating transition and invariant probability :param transition_matrix_path: path to store transition matrix :param invariant_distribution_path: path to store invariant distribution
356
357
358
             :return:
359
360
361
              statistics = Statistics (
                   training_text ,
362
                   symbols,
364
              statistics.transition_table.to_csv(transition_matrix_path)
365
366
              statistics.invariant_distribution_table.to_csv(invariant_distribution_path, sep="|")
367
368
369
       def d(
             encrypted_message: str,
symbols: List[str],
training_text: str,
number_trials: int,
number_of_mh_loops: int,
371
374
              number_start_attempts: int
              log_decryption_interval: int,
             log_decryption_size: int, decryptor_table_path: str
378
              decrypted_message_iterations_table_path: str ,
379
       ) -> None:
381
             Produces answers for question 5d
382
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383
                : \verb"param" encrypted_message: the encrypted message"
               :param encrypted_message: the encrypted message
:param symbols: symbols in the training text
:param training_text: training text for calculating transition and invariant probability
:param number_trials: number of times to restart and run the sampler
:param number_of_mh_loops: number of loops to run the metropolis hastings sampler
:param number_start_attempts: number of possible starting decrypters to check
:param log_decryption_interval: number of samples between logging the decrypted message
:param log_decryption_size: number of symbols to decrypt when logging the decrypted message
:param decryptor_table_path: path to store decrypter mapping table
:param decrypted_message_iterations_table_path: path to store logged decryption messages
:return:
384
385
386
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388
389
390
391
                :return:
303
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395
                statistics = Statistics (
396
                      training_text ,
397
                      symbols,
398
               np.random.seed(DEFAULT_SEED)
399
400
                metropolis_hastings_decryption = MetropolisHastingsDecryption(symbols)
               decrypters: List[Decrypter] = []
log_likelihoods: List[float] = []
logged_decryption_messages: List[List[str]] = []
401
402
403
               404
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406
407
408
                              statistics
409
                             number_of_mh_loops,
                             number_start_attempts ,
log_decryption_interval ,
410
411
412
                              log_decryption_size,
413
414
                       decrypters.append(decrypter)
                       log_likelihoods.append(
                             statistics.compute_log_probability(decrypter.decrypt(encrypted_message))
416
                      418
419
420
421
422
               # sort trials by log likelihood
423
               best_trial = np.argmax(log_likelihoods)
decrypters[best_trial].table.to_csv(decryptor_table_path, sep="|")
df_logged_decryptions = _construct_logged_decryptions_table(
424
425
427
                      logged\_decryption\_messages \left[\ best\_trial\ \right],\ log\_decryption\_interval
428
                df-logged_decryptions.to_csv(decrypted_message_iterations_table_path, sep="|")
```

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- (e) When some values of  $\Psi(\alpha, \beta) = 0$ , this affects the ergodicity of the chain. An ergodic chain is one that is irreducible (i.e. all possible transitions between symbols have probability greater than zero). If  $\Psi(\alpha, \beta) = 0$ , this means that there is zero probability that  $\beta$  will transition to  $\alpha$ , breaking our definition. To restore ergodicity, we can add a small transition probability between all symbols of the chain. This essentially acts as a prior, stating that the probability of a symbol to transition to any other symbol (including itself) should never be zero.
- (f) Analyse this approach to decoding. For instance, would symbol probabilities alone (rather than transitions) be sufficient? If we used a second order Markov chain for English text, what problems might we encounter? Will it work if the encryption scheme allows two symbols to be mapped to the same encrypted value? Would it work for Chinese with > 10000 symbols? [13 marks]

If we were to use symbol probabilities alone for decoding, the joint probability would be:

$$P(e_1, e_2, ..., e_n | \sigma) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(\sigma^{-1}(e_i))$$

the product of the likelihoods of the decoded letters. In this case, the optimal decoding would simply replace the most frequent symbols in the encrypted message with the most frequent symbols in the training text. This is much more difficult because each letter is assumed to be independent of its neighbours. For a first order Markov chairn, we exploit the structure of language by considering pairs of letters. Assuming that as the training text size approaches infinity and the size of the encrypted message also approaches infinity, that the two will have the same symbol frequency and that the probability of each symbol is unique, (i.e. two different decodings can't have the same likelihood), then using symbol probabilities alone should theoretically work. However, in practise we would unlikely to be able to make these assumptions about symbol frequencies from the size of our training set and encrypted message.

A second-order chain should also work in theory. However, this approach is probably practically more difficult for finding a suitable decoding. This is because our transition matrix would contain  $N^3$ , where N is the number of symbols, to account for all possible second order transitions. Our training text would need to increase quadratically to maintain the same ratio of possible transitions to example transitions (number of second order transitions in a text of length N is N-2 and third order its N-3).

For an encryption scheme where two symbols map to the same encrypted value:

$$\exists \alpha, \beta, \sigma(\alpha) = \sigma(\beta), \alpha \neq \beta$$

this approach can become much more complicated. Our  $\sigma^{-1}(e)$  is ill-defined, and therefore how we computing the joint probability of the encrypted text is no longer immediately clear. Moreover, generating proposal encodings is not as simple as swapping the encryption for two symbols. This is because we do not know which two symbols map to the same encrypted symbol and simply swapping would preserve the same collision mapping of the current encoding. Overall, many changes would need to be made to the approach to accommodate for these complications. It is not immediately obvious how current approach could work for this case.

If we used this approach for Chinese with  $\geq 10000$  symbols, we would be attempting to solve the same problem but with  $N \geq 10000$  instead of N = 53. Similar to the second order Markov chain, although this is theoretically possible, it would require a transition matrix of size  $\geq 10000^2$  which is quite impractical. An alternative set up could be with using Chinese phonetics, for which there are likely much fewer than 10000, however this would require a mapping from a phonetic to an encrypted phonetic.

## Question 7

(a) To find the local extrema of the function f(x,y) = x+2y subject to the constraint  $y^2+xy=1$ , first we define g(x,y):

$$g(x,y) = y^2 + xy - 1$$

where g(x,y) = 0 is an equivalent representation of the given constraint.

We can therefore construct the optimisation problem:

$$\min_{\mathbf{X}} f(\mathbf{x})$$

such that  $g(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}$  and  $\mathbf{x} := [x, y]^T$ .

We can calculate  $\nabla f(\mathbf{x})$ :

$$\nabla f(\mathbf{x}) = \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(x+2y), \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(x+2y)\right]^T$$
$$\nabla f(\mathbf{x}) = [1, 2]^T$$

and calculating  $\nabla g(\mathbf{x})$ :

$$\nabla g(\mathbf{x}) = \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(y^2 + xy - 1), \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(y^2 + xy - 1)\right]^T$$
$$\nabla g(\mathbf{x}) = [y, 2y + x]^T$$

Solving the constraint optimisation problem with Lagrange multipliers, we set up the equations:

$$\nabla f(\mathbf{x}) + \lambda \nabla g(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}$$

and

$$g(\mathbf{x}) = 0$$

Giving us the three equations:

$$1 + \lambda y = 0$$
$$2 + \lambda(2y + x) = 0$$
$$y^{2} + xy - 1 = 0$$

Substituting  $y = \frac{-1}{\lambda}$  from the first equation into the second equation:

$$2 + \frac{-1}{\lambda}(2y + x) = 0$$
$$\frac{-x}{y} = 0$$

We see that x = 0. Solving for y in our third equation with x = 0:

$$y^2 - 1 = 0$$

We see that  $y = \pm 1$  and from the first equation  $\lambda \mp 1$ .

The local extrema are (x=0,y=1) when our  $\lambda=-1$  and (x=0,y=-1) when our  $\lambda=1$ .

(b)

(i) Given that  $g(a) = \ln(a)$ , we want to transform this to the form f(x, a) = 0:

$$x = \ln(a)$$

$$\exp(x) - a = 0$$

Thus,

$$f(x,a) = \exp(x) - a$$

(ii) We know that for Newton's method's

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$$

where  $f(x_n) = \exp(x_n) - a$ 

We can calculate:

$$f'(x) = \frac{\partial f(x, a)}{\partial x} = \exp(x)$$

Assuming we can evaluate  $\exp(x)$ , our update equation:

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{\exp(x_n) - a}{\exp(x_n)}$$

Simplifying:

$$x_{n+1} = x_n + \frac{a}{\exp(x_n)} - 1$$

### Question 8

(a) For:

$$\sup_{\{\mathbf{X}\in\mathbb{R}^n\}}R_A(\mathbf{x})$$

where  $R_A(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}}{\|\mathbf{x}\|^2}$ , we want to show that a maximum is attained.

To do this, we will show the above optimisation can be equivalently formulated:

$$\sup_{\{\mathbf{X}\in\mathbb{R}^n|||\mathbf{X}||=1\}}R_A(\mathbf{x})$$

We begin by considering any  $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and let  $\mathbf{x} = \frac{\mathbf{w}}{\|\mathbf{w}\|}$ . Because  $\|\mathbf{x}\| = 1$  we can substitute:

$$\sup_{\{\frac{\mathbf{W}}{\|\mathbf{W}\|} \in \mathbb{R}^n | \|\frac{\mathbf{W}}{\|\mathbf{W}\|} \|=1\}} R_A(\mathbf{x}) = \sup_{\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^n | \|\mathbf{X}\|=1} \frac{\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{w} \|\mathbf{w}\|^2}{\|\mathbf{w}\|^2 \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w}}$$

where  $\|\mathbf{x}\|^2 = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}$ .

The set  $\{\frac{\mathbf{w}}{\|\mathbf{w}\|} \in \mathbb{R}^n | \|\frac{\mathbf{w}}{\|\mathbf{w}\|}\| = 1\}$  holds for all  $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  so we can rewrite:

$$\sup_{\{\mathbf{W} \in \mathbb{R}^n\}} \frac{\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{w} \|\mathbf{w}\|^2}{\|\mathbf{w}\|^2 \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w}}$$

We can simplify the expression:

$$\sup_{\{\mathbf{W} \in \mathbb{R}^n\}} \frac{\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{w}}{\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w}}$$
$$\sup_{\{\mathbf{W} \in \mathbb{R}^n\}} R_A(\mathbf{w})$$

and recover our original optimisation problem by letting  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{w}$ , showing that it is equivalent to the supremum over the unit sphere. Assuming the set containing the unit sphere is compact, the extreme value theory of calculus states that  $\sup_{\{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n | ||\mathbf{x}||=1\}} R_A(\mathbf{x})$  is attained so equivalently  $\sup_{\{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n\}} R_A(\mathbf{x})$  is attained as required.

(b) We can now reformulate the optimisation as:

$$\sup_{\{\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^n | \|\mathbf{X}\| = 1\}} \frac{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}}{\|\mathbf{x}\|^2}$$

But because  $\|\mathbf{x}\| = 1$ , we can equivalently write:

$$\sup_{\{\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^n | \|\mathbf{X}\| = 1\}} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}$$

Thus, showing  $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} \leq \lambda_1$  will be equivalent to showing  $R_A(\mathbf{x}) \leq \lambda_1$  for  $\|\mathbf{x}\| = 1$ . We know that for all  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$\mathbf{x} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\xi_i^T \mathbf{x}) \xi_i$$

so we can write:

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n (\xi_i^T \mathbf{x}) \xi_i^T \right) \mathbf{A} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n (\xi_i^T \mathbf{x}) \xi_i \right)$$

Given that  $\xi_i$  are eigenvectors of **A** corresponding to eigenvalues  $\lambda_i$ :

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n (\xi_i^T \mathbf{x}) \xi_i^T \right) \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i (\xi_i^T \mathbf{x}) \xi_i \right)$$

Given that the eigenvectors  $\xi_i$  form an orthonormal basis, we know that  $\xi_i^T \xi_j = 0$  when  $i \neq j$  and  $\xi_i^T \xi_j = 1$  when i = j, so:

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i (\xi_i^T \mathbf{x})^2$$

We know that  $\|\mathbf{x}\|^2 = 1$  so  $\|\mathbf{x}\|^2 = \sum_{j=1}^n x_i^2 = \sum_{j=1}^n (\xi_j \mathbf{x})^2 = 1$ . Thus the quantity  $\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i (\xi_i^T \mathbf{x})^2$  is simply a weighted average of  $\lambda_i$ 's and we can write:

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i (\xi_i^T \mathbf{x})^2 \le \lambda_1$$

where  $\lambda_1$  is the largest eigenvalue of eigenvalues  $\lambda_i$ . Therefore,  $R_A(\mathbf{x}) \leq \lambda_1$  as required.

(c) Given that  $\lambda_j < \lambda_1 \forall j > k$  and  $\mathbf{x} \in span\{\xi_{k+1}, ..., xi_n\}$ , we can rewrite  $\mathbf{x}$ :

$$\mathbf{x} = \sum_{i=k+1}^{n} (\xi_i^T \mathbf{x}) \xi_i$$

From the same argument as (b) we can bound  $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}$ :

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} = \sum_{i=k+1}^n \lambda_i (\xi_i^T \mathbf{x})^2 \le \max \{\lambda_{k+1}, ..., \lambda_n\}$$

But given that the maximum eigenvalue  $\lambda_1$  is not contained in  $\{\lambda_{k+1},...,\lambda_n\}$ :

$$\max\{\lambda_{k+1},...,\lambda_n\} < \lambda_1$$

and therefore,

$$R_A(\mathbf{x}) < \lambda_1$$

as required.

# Appendix: main.py

```
import os
 3
        import numpy as np
       from src.constants import (
    BINARY_DIGITS_FILE_PATH,
    MESSAGE_FILE_PATH,
               OUTPUTS_FOLDER,
               SYMBOLS_FILE_PATH,
               TRAINING_TEXT_FILE_PATH,
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13
        from src.solutions import q1, q2, q3, q5
        if __name__ == "_
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                                        _main__
              if not os.path.exists(OUTPUTS_FOLDER):
    os.makedirs(OUTPUTS_FOLDER)
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17
18
               x = np.loadtxt(\dot{B}INARY\_DIGITS\_FILE\_PATH)
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               os.makedirs(Q1_OUTPUT_FOLDER):

os.makedirs(Q1_OUTPUT_FOLDER):
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24
                      figure_path=os.path.join(Q1_OUTPUT_FOLDER, "q1d.png"), figure_title="Q1d: Maximum Likelihood Estimate",
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29
30
                      alpha=3,
31
                      figure_path=os.path.join(Q1_OUTPUT_FOLDER, "q1e"), figure_title="Q1e: Maximum A Prior",
34
35
              os.makedirs(Q2.OUTPUT.FOLDER) os.makedirs(Q2.OUTPUT.FOLDER)
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38
39
               \tt q2.c(x,\ table\_path=os.path.join(Q2\_OUTPUT\_FOLDER,\ "q2c.csv"))
40
41
              # Question 3
Q3_OUTPUT_FOLDER = os.path.join(OUTPUTS_FOLDER, "q3")
if not os.path.exists(Q3_OUTPUT_FOLDER):
    os.makedirs(Q3_OUTPUT_FOLDER)
43
44
46
47
                      \begin{array}{l} \text{number_of\_trials} = 4, \\ \text{ks} = [2, \ 3, \ 4, \ 7, \ 10], \\ \text{epsilon} = 1\text{e}-1, \end{array}
48
49
50
                      max_number_of_steps=int(1e2),
figure_path=os.path.join(Q3_OUTPUT_FOLDER, "q3e"),
figure_title="Q3e",
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               # Question 5
              # Question 5
Q5_OUTPUT_FOLDER = os.path.join(OUTPUTS_FOLDER, "q5")
if not os.path.exists(Q5_OUTPUT_FOLDER):
    os.makedirs(Q5_OUTPUT_FOLDER)
with open(TRAINING_TEXT_FILE_PATH) as fp:
    training_text = fp.read().replace("\n", "").lower()
with open(SYMBOLS_FILE_PATH) as fp:
    symbols = fp.read().split("\n")
with open(MESSAGE_FILE_PATH) as fp:
    encrypted message = fp.read()
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               encrypted_message = fp.read()
q5.a(
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                      training_text
                      transition_matrix_path=os.path.join(Q5_OUTPUT_FOLDER, "q5a-transition.csv"), invariant_distribution_path=os.path.join(Q5_OUTPUT_FOLDER, "q5a-invariant.csv"),
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                      encrypted_message,
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80
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