

Lecture 19

- Disadvantages of the grid, \mathcal{G} :

- ① Smallest and largest values beyond a computer's storage
- ② dimensionality: Since the number of grid sections/partitions increases exponentially the partitions of each dimension drops dramatically, so POOR Resolution
- ③ Region: min., max. of grid can exclude entire regions

- Again: $X_1, \dots, X_n | \theta, \sigma^2 \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\theta, \sigma^2)$ where θ and σ^2 are both unknown

- $\theta \sim N(\mu_0, \tau^2)$ & $\sigma^2 \sim \text{invGamma}\left(\frac{n_0}{2}, \frac{n_0 \sigma_0^2}{2}\right)$

- so $P(\theta, \sigma^2 | x) \neq \text{NormInvGamma}$; $= N(\theta_p, \sigma_p^2) K(\sigma^2 | x)$
 $\approx P(\theta | x, \sigma^2) \underbrace{K(\sigma^2 | x)}_{\text{an unknown distribution}}$

- Recall: $P(\theta | x, \sigma^2) = N(\theta_p, \sigma_p^2)$
 $P(\sigma^2 | x, \theta) = \text{InvGamma}\left(\frac{n_0 + n}{2}, \frac{n_0 \hat{\sigma}_0^2 + n \hat{\sigma}^2}{2}\right)$

- Imagine Algorithm:

- ① Let $\theta_0 = 0$
- ② Draw σ_0^2 from $P(\sigma^2 | x, \theta = \theta_0)$
- ③ Now θ_1 from $P(\theta | x, \sigma^2 = \sigma_0^2)$
- ④ Draw σ_1^2 from $P(\sigma^2 | x, \theta = \theta_1)$

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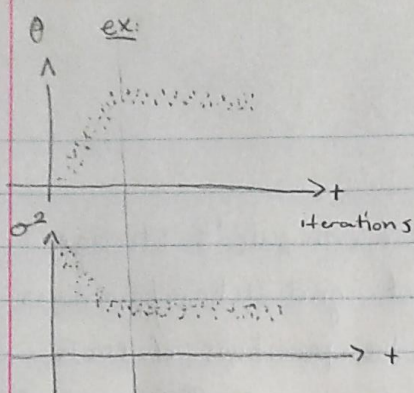
until a stabilization, or "Convergence"

Gibbs's sampling

** ideally start with many different θ_0

- Output:

$$\left\langle \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \theta_0 \\ \sigma_0^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \theta_1 \\ \sigma_1^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \theta_2 \\ \sigma_2^2 \end{bmatrix} \dots \begin{bmatrix} \theta_B \\ \sigma_B^2 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{Burn-in period}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \theta_{B+1} \\ \sigma_{B+1}^2 \end{bmatrix} \dots \begin{bmatrix} \theta_G \\ \sigma_G^2 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{Burned-in Chain}} \right\rangle \begin{matrix} \text{Iterations} \\ (P \text{ dimensional}) \\ \text{Markov Chain} \\ \text{Monte Carlo} \\ \text{MCMC} \end{matrix}$$



Note: Goals were:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} P(\theta, \sigma^2 | X) \\ P(\theta | X) \\ P(\sigma^2 | X) \end{array} \right\} \text{most practical}$$

All can be sampled from the MCMC Burned-in chain

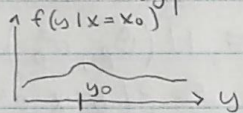
B: Burn in point; point of convergence

* The Burn in value is gotten visually and is subjective

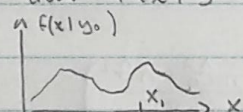
- Generalization: Given $f(x|y)$ and $f(y|x)$ are known we want $f(x,y)$

① start at x_0

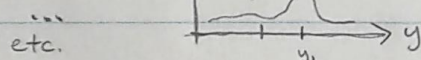
② draw y_0 from $f(y|x=x_0)$



③ draw x_1 from $f(x|y=y_0)$

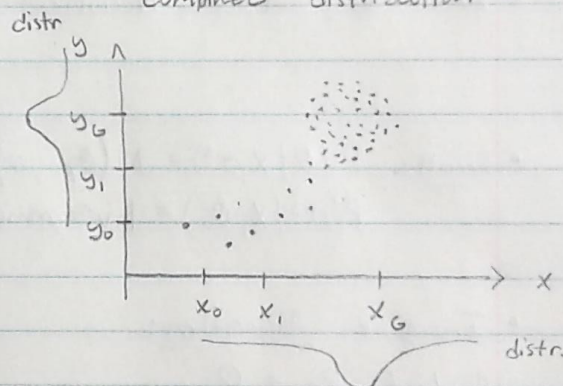


④ draw y_1 from $f(y|x=x_1)$



etc.

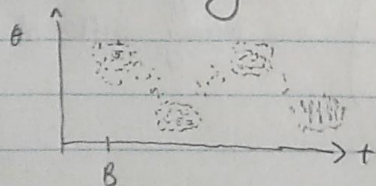
so $f(x,y)$ is the combined distribution



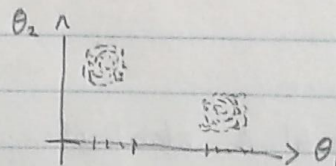
* collapse to a single dimension by ignoring other values *

- Problems of Gibb's sampling:

① Bad mixing:



Such that



- sampling gets stuck if there are various modes especially with large dimensions

** fixable if we start at various points and carry out more chains.

② Not iid samples for $P(\theta, \sigma^2 | X)$

since each of the points are dependent on previous.

Recall: iid samples have a covariance of 0

Note: covariance $[X, Y] = E[(X - \mu_x)(Y - \mu_y)] = E[X, Y] - \mu_x \mu_y$

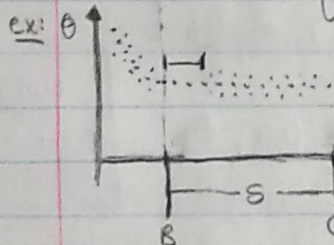
$$\rho = \text{cov}[X, Y] = \frac{E[(X - \mu_x)(Y - \mu_y)]}{SE[X] SE[Y]} \quad \text{"condition"}$$

$$\text{estimated by: } r := \frac{S_{xy}}{S_x S_y} = \frac{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum (X_i - \bar{x})(Y_i - \bar{y})}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum (X_i - \bar{x})^2} \sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum (Y_i - \bar{y})^2}} \quad \text{"sample condition"}$$

$$r \in [-1, 1]$$

scaling values.

• fixable if $\rho \rightarrow 0$ such that the sample is no longer correlated



① we want to Average Burned-in chain: $\bar{\theta}$

$$\bar{\theta} = \frac{1}{S} \left(\sum_{t=B+1}^{B+S} \theta_t \right)$$

② the we want to test "lags" from 1, 2, ..., K from B to G until a certain lag gives a negligible correlation between points. we use:

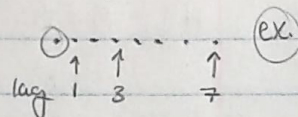
$$r_{ak} := \frac{\sum_{t=B+1}^{B+S-K} (\theta_t - \bar{\theta})(\theta_{t+K} - \bar{\theta})}{\sum_{t=B+1}^{B+S} (\theta_t - \bar{\theta})^2} \quad \text{scaling}$$

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 autocorrelation of lag K

Note

"lag" # represents the number of points from one step to the next



③ when $r_{ak} \approx 0$ we use that K value to determine where in the Burned in chain we have noncorrelated measures of θ and after K points where we have iid samples for θ