

Statistical Modeling SDS 383D: Exercice 1

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Bayesian inference in simple conjugate families :

(A) We have

$$\begin{aligned} p(w|x_1, \dots, x_N) &\propto p(w)p(x_1, \dots, x_N|w) \\ &\propto w^{a-1}(1-w)^{b-1} \prod_{i=1}^N w^{x_i}(1-w)^{1-x_i} \\ &= w^{a+\sum_{i=1}^N x_i-1}(1-w)^{b+\sum_{i=1}^N (1-x_i)-1} \end{aligned}$$

which is the Beta kernel of $\text{Beta}(a + \sum_{i=1}^N x_i, b + \sum_{i=1}^N (1 - x_i))$.

(B) We have $y_2 = x_1 + x_2$ and $y_1 = \frac{x_1}{x_1+x_2}$, hence $x_1 = y_1 y_2$ and $x_2 = y_2 - y_1 y_2$. We have the determination of the Jacobian is

$$|J| = \begin{vmatrix} y_2 & y_1 \\ -y_2 & 1 - y_1 \end{vmatrix} = y_2$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} p(y_1, y_2) &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(a_1)} (y_1 y_2)^{a_1-1} \exp(y_1 y_2) \frac{1}{\Gamma(a_2)} (y_2 - y_1 y_2)^{a_2-1} \exp(y_2 - y_1 y_2) y_2 \\ &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(a_1)\Gamma(a_2)} (y_1 y_2)^{a_1-1} (y_2 - y_1 y_2)^{a_2-1} y_2 \exp(y_2) \\ &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(a_1)\Gamma(a_2)} y_2^{a_1+a_2-1} \exp(y_2) y_1^{a_1-1} (1 - y_1)^{a_2-1} \end{aligned}$$

By the factorization theorem, y_1 and y_2 is independent, and their pdfs are

$$\begin{aligned} p(y_1) &= \frac{\Gamma(a_1 + a_2)}{\Gamma(a_1)\Gamma(a_2)} y_1^{a_1-1} (1 - y_1)^{a_2-1} := \text{Beta}(a_1, a_2) \\ p(y_2) &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(a_1 + a_2)} y_2^{a_1+a_2-1} \exp(y_2) := \text{Ga}(a_1 + a_2, 1) \end{aligned}$$

So, we can create a $\text{Beta}(a_1, a_2)$ (y_1) random variable by sampling two random variables from $\text{Ga}(a_1, 1)$ (x_1), $\text{Ga}(a_2, 1)$ (x_2), then calculate $\frac{x_1}{x_1+x_2}$.

(C) We have

$$\begin{aligned} p(\theta|x_1, \dots, x_N) &\propto p(\theta)p(x_1, \dots, x_N|\theta) \\ &\propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2v}(\theta - m)^2\right) \prod_{i=1}^N \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x_i - \theta)^2\right) \\ &= \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2v}(\theta^2 - 2\theta m) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^N (\theta^2 - 2\theta x_i)\right) \\ &= \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\frac{1}{v} + \frac{n}{\sigma^2}\right) \theta^2 - 2\theta \left(\frac{m}{v} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N x_i}{\sigma^2}\right) \right]\right) \end{aligned}$$

which is the kernel of *Gaussian* $\left(\left(\frac{1}{v} + \frac{n}{\sigma^2}\right)^{-1}\left(\frac{m}{v} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N x_i}{\sigma^2}\right), \left(\frac{1}{v} + \frac{n}{\sigma^2}\right)^{-1}\right)$.

(D) We have:

$$\begin{aligned} p(w|x_1, \dots, x_N) &\propto p(w)p(x_1, \dots, x_N|w) \\ &\propto w^{a-1} \exp(-bw) \prod_{i=1}^N w^{1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{w}{2}(x_i - \theta)^2\right) \\ &= w^{a+n/2-1} \exp\left(-\left(b + \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \theta)^2/2\right)w\right) \end{aligned}$$

Which is the kernel of *Gamma* $(a + n/2, b + \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \theta)^2/2)$.
For σ^2

$$\begin{aligned} p(\sigma^2|x_1, \dots, x_N) &\propto p(\sigma^2)p(x_1, \dots, x_N|\sigma^2) \\ &\propto (1/\sigma^2)^{a+1} \exp(-b/\sigma^2) \prod_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x_i - \theta)^2\right) \\ &= (1/\sigma^2)^{a+n/2-1} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\sigma^2}\left(b + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \theta)^2\right)\right) \end{aligned}$$

Which is the kernel of *Inv-Gamma* $(a + n/2, b + \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \theta)^2/2)$.
(E) We have

$$\begin{aligned} p(\theta|x_1, \dots, x_N) &\propto p(\theta)p(x_1, \dots, x_N|\theta) \\ &\propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2v}(\theta - m)^2\right) \prod_{i=1}^N \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_i^2}(x_i - \theta)^2\right) \\ &= \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2v}(\theta^2 - 2\theta m) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2}(\theta^2 - 2\theta x_i)\right) \\ &= \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\frac{1}{v} + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2}\right)\theta^2 - 2\theta\left(\frac{m}{v} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N x_i}{\sigma^2}\right)\right]\right) \end{aligned}$$

The posterior mean is $\left(\frac{1}{v} + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2}\right)^{-1}\left(\frac{m}{v} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N x_i}{\sigma^2}\right)$

(F) We have

$$\begin{aligned} p(x, w) &= p(w)p(x|w) \\ &= \frac{(b/2)^{a/2}}{\Gamma(a/2)} w^{a/2-1} \exp(-b/2w) \left(\frac{w}{2\pi}\right)^{1/2} \exp\left\{-\frac{w}{2}(x - m)^2\right\} \\ &= \frac{(b/2)^{a/2}}{\Gamma(a/2)(2\pi)^{1/2}} w^{a/2+1/2-1} \exp\left\{-\frac{w}{2}(b + (x - m)^2)\right\} \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
p(x) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(x, w) dw \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{(b/2)^{a/2}}{\Gamma(a/2)(2\pi)^{1/2}} w^{a/2+1/2-1} \exp\left\{-\frac{w}{2}(b + (x - m)^2)\right\} dw \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{(b/2)^{a/2} \Gamma(a/2 + 1/2)}{\Gamma(a/2)(2\pi)^{1/2} ((b + (x - m)^2)/2)^{a/2+1/2}} \\
&\quad \frac{((b + (x - m)^2)/2)^{a/2+1/2}}{\Gamma(a/2 + 1/2)} w^{a/2+1/2-1} \exp\left\{-\frac{w}{2}(b + (x - m)^2)\right\} dw \\
&= \frac{(b/2)^{a/2} \Gamma(a/2 + 1/2)}{\Gamma(a/2)(2\pi)^{1/2} ((b + (x - m)^2)/2)^{a/2+1/2}}
\end{aligned}$$

The multivariate normal distribution :

(A) We have

$$\begin{aligned}
Cov(x) &= E[(x - \mu)(x - \mu)^\top] = E[xx^\top - x\mu^\top - \mu x^\top + \mu\mu^\top] = E[xx^\top] - \mu\mu^\top \\
Cov(Ax + b) &= E[(Ax + b - E[Ax + b])(Ax + b - E[Ax + b])^\top] \\
&= AE[(x - \mu)(x - \mu)^\top]A^\top = ACov(x)A^\top
\end{aligned}$$

(B) We have the pdf:

$$p(z) = \prod_{i=1}^p p(z_i) = \prod_{i=1}^p \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{z_i^2}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^p}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}z^\top z\right)$$

we have the mgf:

$$M_z(t) = E[e^{t^\top z}] = \prod_{i=1}^p E[e^{t_i z_i}] = \prod_{i=1}^p \exp(t_i^2/2) = \exp(t^\top t/2)$$

(C)

1. If $x \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$, we have $a^\top x$ is a Gaussian. We have $E[z] = a^\top \mu$, $Cov[z] = a\Sigma a^\top$, so $E[\exp(tz)] = \exp(a^\top \mu t + a\Sigma a^\top t^2/2) = \exp(\mu^\top at + (at)^\top \Sigma at/2)$. Let $at = y$, we have

$$M(y) = \exp(\mu^\top y + y^\top \Sigma y/2)$$

2. If $M_x(t) = \exp(\mu^\top t + t^\top \Sigma t/2)$, then

$$M_z(t) = \exp(\mu^\top at + (at)^\top \Sigma at/2) \quad (1)$$

(D) We have

$$\begin{aligned}
E[\exp(t^\top x)] &= E[\exp(t^\top (Lz + \mu))] = \exp(t^\top \mu) E[\exp(t^\top Lz)] \\
&= \exp(t^\top \mu) \exp(t^\top LL^\top t/2) = \exp(t^\top \mu + t^\top \Sigma t/2)
\end{aligned}$$

Now we calculate the mean and the variance

$$\frac{\partial \exp(t^\top \mu + t^\top \Sigma t/2)}{\partial t}(0) = \mu$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \exp(t^\top \mu + t^\top \Sigma t/2)}{\partial t^2}(0) = \Sigma$$

(E) Using spectral decomposition: $\Sigma = P\Lambda P^\top$. Let $L = P(\Lambda)^{1/2}$, using previous problem we have $Lz + \mu \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$.

(F) $x = Lz + \mu$, hence $Z = L^{-1}(x - \mu)$. Using Multivariate transformation with the Jacobian matrix is L^{-1} .

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^p}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(L^{-1}(x - \mu))^\top (L^{-1}(x - \mu))\right) \det(L^{-1})$$

(G) Using mgf:

$$\begin{aligned} E[\exp(t^\top y)] &= E[\exp^{t^\top (Ax_1 + Bx_2)}] = E[\exp(t^\top Ax_1)] + E[\exp(t^\top Bx_2)] \\ &= \exp(t^\top A\mu_1 + t^\top A\Sigma_1 A^\top t) + \exp(t^\top B\mu_2 + t^\top B\Sigma_2 B^\top t) \\ &= \exp(t^\top (A\mu_1 + B\mu_2) + t^\top (A\Sigma_1 A^\top + B\Sigma_2 B^\top)t) \end{aligned}$$

Conditional and Margianls :

(A) Let $a = (1, 0)'$, hence $x_1 = a^\top x$ has the distribution $N(\mu_1, \Sigma_{11})$

(B) We have

$$\Sigma^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} (\Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21})^{-1} & -(\Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21})^{-1}\Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1} \\ -\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21}(\Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21})^{-1} & \Sigma_{22}^{-1} + \Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21}(\Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21})^{-1}\Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

(C) we have

$$p(x_1|x_2) = \frac{p(x_1, x_2)}{p(x_2)}$$

We have $p(x_2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^k|\Sigma_{22}|}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x_2 - \mu_{22})^\top \Sigma_{22}^{-1}(x_2 - \mu_{22})\right)$, Hence

$$p(x_1|x_2) \propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\left[(x - \mu)^\top \Sigma^{-1}(x - \mu) - (x_2 - \mu_{22})^\top \Sigma_{22}^{-1}(x_2 - \mu_{22})\right]\right)$$

We now calculate

$$\begin{aligned} (x - \mu)^\top \Sigma^{-1}(x - \mu) &= (x_1 - \mu_1)^\top (\Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21})^{-1} (x_1 - \mu_1) \\ &\quad - (x_1 - \mu_1)^\top \Sigma_{11}^{-1} (\Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21})^{-1} \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1} (x_2 - \mu_2) \\ &\quad - (\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21} (\Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21})^{-1} (x_1 - \mu_1) \\ &\quad + (x_2 - \mu_2)^\top (\Sigma_{22}^{-1} + \Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21} (\Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21})^{-1} \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1})(x_2 - \mu_2) \\ &= (x_2 - \mu_2)^\top \Sigma_{22}^{-1}(x_2 - \mu_2) \\ &\quad + (x_1 - \mu_1 - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}(x_2 - \mu_2))^\top (\Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21})^{-1} (x_1 - \mu_1 - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}(x_2 - \mu_2)) \end{aligned}$$

So $p(x_1|x_2) = N(\mu_1 + \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}(x_2 - \mu_2), \Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21})$.

We can interpret $x_1 = (\mu_1 + \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}(x_2 - \mu_2)) + (\Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21})^{1/2}\epsilon$

Multiple Regression: Three classical principles for inference :

(A) For LSE, we have

$$\nabla_{\beta}(y - X\beta)^{\top}(y - X\beta) = 2X^{\top}(X\beta - y)$$

Set the gradient to 0, we have

$$\beta^* = (X^{\top}X)^{-1}X^{\top}y$$

For MLE, using log function which is monotonically increasing

$$\begin{aligned} \log \left(\prod_{i=1}^n p(y_i|\beta, \sigma^2) \right) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \log p(y_i|\beta, \sigma^2) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \|y - X\beta\|_2^2 + \text{constant} \end{aligned}$$

So maximizing the log-likelihood is equivalent to the LSE.

For method of moments, we have for all column index j

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n (e_i - E[e]) (x_{ij} - \bar{x}_j) &= 0 \\ \sum_{i=1}^n (e_i x_{ij} - e_i \bar{x}_j - E[e] x_{ij} + E[e] \bar{x}_j) &= 0 \\ \sum_{i=1}^n e_i x_{ij} - \bar{x}_j \sum_{i=1}^n e_i - E[e] \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij} + E[e] \bar{x}_j &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Suppose data is centered, hence

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n e_i x_{ij} &= 0 \\ e^{\top} X b e &= 0 \\ (Y - X\beta)^{\top} X &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\beta = (X^{\top}X)^{-1}X^{\top}Y$$

(B) In this case, the problem is equivalent to

$$\arg \min_{\beta} (y - X\beta)^{\top} \Sigma^{-1} (y - X\beta)$$

Taking the gradient and set to 0, we have

$$2X^{\top} \Sigma^{-1} (X\beta - y) = 0$$

	N=100	N=500	N=1000	N=5000
d=5	9.17911530e-05	6.41345978e-05	5.38825989e-05	2.04086304e-04
d=10	4.79221344e-05	7.29560852e-05	1.09195709e-04	6.19173050e-04
d=100	1.80816650e-03	2.22802162e-03	4.44316864e-03	1.13751888e-02
d=1000	2.17528820e-01	3.80424976e-01	2.06042051e-01	3.43861818e-01

Table 1: Time of Inv Method

	N=100	N=500	N=1000	N=5000
d=5	1.97124481e-03	8.17775726e-05	6.91413879e-05	1.01089478e-04
d=10	2.15053558e-04	8.79764557e-05	1.66893005e-04	1.08957291e-04
d=100	2.93731689e-03	3.29875946e-03	2.96974182e-03	3.29399109e-03
d=1000	4.71949577e-02	4.47421074e-02	4.03697491e-02	3.71558666e-02

Table 2: Time of Dec Method

hence the estimator is

$$\beta = (X^\top \Sigma^{-1} X)^{-1} X^\top \Sigma^{-1} y$$

Now the variance of the estimator is:

$$Var[(X^\top \Sigma^{-1} X)^{-1} X^\top \Sigma^{-1} y] = X^\top \Sigma^{-1} X)^{-1} X^\top \Sigma^{-1} Var[y] (X^\top \Sigma^{-1} X)^{-1} X^\top \Sigma^{-1})^\top = (X^\top \Sigma^{-1} X)^{-1}$$

(C) $W = diag(1/\sigma_i^2)$

Some practical details :

(A) Matrix inverse is computationally expensive. The fastest algorithm has the complexity of $O(n^{2.373})$ with n is the size of the square matrix. Also, if the data matrix is not full column rank, we cannot inverse the matrix.

Using LU decomposition $O(n^{2.376})$ to solve the equation. However, it seems to be slower than using matrix inverse.

Pseudo code

1. Decomposing $X^\top W X$ as LU
2. Solve for $z : Lz = X^\top W y$ using forward substitution
3. Solve for $\hat{\beta} : U\hat{\beta} = z$ using backward substitution

(B) I set $W = I$, $d \in \{2, 5, 10, 50\}$, $N \in \{100, 500, 1000, 5000\}$, the time of Inv method is given in Table 1: Time of decomposition method is given in Table 2.