

# Probability Models and Deep Learning - Part Two

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- ▶ Probabilities and statistics are a significant part of Machine Learning
  - ▶ in this class, we discuss about how probabilities and neural networks help each other, under the following four scenarios:
  - ▶ This course assumes DeeCamp students are up-to-date with deep learning
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1. Noise Contrastive Estimation
  2. Probability model re-parameterization
  3. Use Natural Gradients in Deep Learning (in progress)

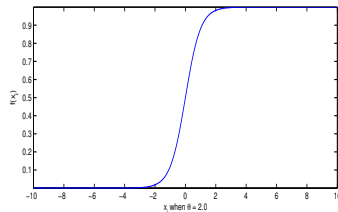
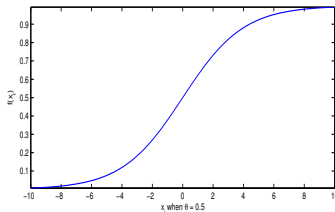
## Noise Contrastive Estimation

- firstly, probability models and classification are closely related:

$$\arg \max_{\theta} (p_{\theta}(\mathbf{Y})) \implies \arg \min_{\theta} (-\log p_{\theta}(\mathbf{Y}))$$

- in following example, let's show **classification models** incorporating our favorite sigmoid function:

$$\sigma(\mathbf{x}_i^{\top} \theta) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\mathbf{x}_i^{\top} \theta)}$$



# Example: Bernoulli & Logistic regression

- Bernoulli distribution using Sigmoid function

$$p_{\theta}(\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}) = \prod_{i=1}^n \left[ \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\mathbf{x}_i^T \boldsymbol{\theta})} \right]^{y_i} \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\mathbf{x}_i^T \boldsymbol{\theta})} \right]^{1-y_i}$$

- Logistic regression

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{C}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) &= -\log[p_{\theta}(\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X})] \\ &= -\left( \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \log \left[ \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\mathbf{x}_i^T \boldsymbol{\theta})} \right] + (1 - y_i) \log \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\mathbf{x}_i^T \boldsymbol{\theta})} \right] \right) \end{aligned}$$

# Example: Multinomial Distribution & Cross Entropy Loss

- Multinomial Distribution with softmax

$$p_{\theta}(\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}) = \prod_{i=1}^n \prod_{k=1}^K \left[ \left( \frac{\exp(\mathbf{x}_i^T \boldsymbol{\theta}_k)}{\sum_{l=1}^K \exp(\mathbf{x}_i^T \boldsymbol{\theta}_l)} \right) \right]^{y_{i,k}}$$

- cross entropy loss with Softmax

$$\mathcal{C}(\theta) = -\log[p_{\theta}(\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X})] = -\sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^K y_{i,k} \left[ \log \left( \frac{\exp(\mathbf{x}_i^T \boldsymbol{\theta}_k)}{\sum_{l=1}^K \exp(\mathbf{x}_i^T \boldsymbol{\theta}_l)} \right) \right]$$

# Example: Gaussian Distribution & Sum of Square Loss

- ▶ this time, let's go from  $\mathcal{C}(\theta) \rightarrow p_{\theta}(\mathbf{Y})$
- ▶ Sum of Square Loss

$$\mathcal{C}(\theta) = \sum_{k=1}^K (\hat{y}_k(\theta) - y_k)^2$$

- ▶ Gaussian distribution

$$p_{\theta}(\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}) \propto \exp[-\mathcal{C}(\theta)] = \exp\left[-\sum_{k=1}^K (\hat{y}_k(\theta) - y_k)^2\right]$$

- ▶ **question:** what if we use *Square* loss instead of *Cross Entropy* loss in Softmax, where:

$$\hat{y}_k(\theta) = \frac{\exp(\mathbf{x}_i^T \theta_k)}{\sum_{l=1}^K \exp(\mathbf{x}_i^T \theta_l)}$$

# Think about Classification's best friend, "Softmax" again!

- ▶ for example, in word embedding, we want to align a target word  $\mathbf{u}_w$  with center word  $\mathbf{v}_c$ :
- ▶ for simplicity, for the rest of the article, we let  $\mathbf{w} \equiv \mathbf{u}_w$  and  $\mathbf{c} \equiv \mathbf{v}_c$

$$\Pr_{\theta}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c}) = \frac{u_{\theta}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c})}{\sum_{\mathbf{w}' \in \mathcal{V}} u_{\theta}(\mathbf{w}'|\mathbf{c})} = \frac{u_{\theta}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c})}{Z_c} \equiv \frac{\exp(\mathbf{w}^{\top} \mathbf{c})}{\sum_{\mathbf{w}' \in \mathcal{V}} \exp(\mathbf{w}'^{\top} \mathbf{c})}$$

- ▶ the denominator, i.e., the  $\sum_{\mathbf{w}' \in \mathcal{V}} u(\mathbf{w}'|\mathbf{c})$  can be too computational



# Turn the problem around!

- ▶ **data distribution:** we sample  $\mathbf{w} \sim \bar{p}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c})$  from its empirical (data) distribution, and give a label  $\mathcal{Y} = 1$
- ▶ **noise distribution:** we can sample  $k$   $\bar{\mathbf{w}} \sim q(\mathbf{w})$ , and give them labels  $\mathcal{Y} = 0$  **importantly**, condition for  $q(\cdot)$  is: it does **not** assign zero probability to any data.
- ▶ Can we build a binary classifier to **classify** its label, i.e., which distribution has generated it?

- ▶ **training data generation:**  $(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{c}, y)$ 
  1. sample  $(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{c})$ : using  $\mathbf{c} \sim \tilde{p}(\mathbf{c})$ ,  $\mathbf{w} \sim \tilde{p}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c})$  and label them as  $\mathcal{Y} = 1$
  2.  $k$  “noise” samples from  $q(\cdot)$ , and label them as  $\mathcal{Y} = 0$
- ▶ can we instead, try to maximize the joint posterior Bernoulli distribution:

$$\Pr_{\theta}(\mathcal{Y}|\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{c}) = \prod_{i=1}^{k+1} (\Pr(\mathcal{Y}_i|\mathbf{w}_i, \mathbf{c}))^{y_i} (1 - \Pr(\mathcal{Y}_i|\mathbf{w}_i, \mathbf{c}))^{1-y_i}$$

- ▶ or minimize the corresponding Logistic regression:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{C} &= -\log[\Pr_{\theta}(\mathcal{Y}|\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{c})] \\ &= -\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} y_i \log [\Pr_{\theta}(\mathcal{Y}_i|\mathbf{w}_i, \mathbf{c})] + (1 - y_i) \log [1 - \Pr_{\theta}(\mathcal{Y}_i|\mathbf{w}_i, \mathbf{c})]\end{aligned}$$

# Noise Contrastive Estimation (NCE)

- ▶ we assume there are  $k$  negative samples per positive sample, so the prior density is:

$$P(\mathcal{Y} = y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{k+1} & y = 1 \\ \frac{k}{k+1} & y = 0 \end{cases}$$

- ▶ then the posterior of  $P(\mathcal{Y}|\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{w})$ :

$$\begin{aligned} P(\mathcal{Y} = 1|\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{w}) &= \frac{\Pr(\mathcal{Y} = 1, \mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c})}{\Pr(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c})} = \frac{\Pr(\mathbf{w}|\mathcal{Y} = 1, \mathbf{c})P(\mathcal{Y} = 1)}{\sum_{y \in \{0,1\}} p(\mathbf{w}|\mathcal{Y} = y, \mathbf{c})P(\mathcal{Y} = y)} \\ &= \frac{\tilde{p}(\mathbf{w}) \times \frac{1}{1+k}}{\tilde{P}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c}) \times \frac{1}{k+1} + q(\mathbf{w}) \times \frac{k}{1+k}} \\ &= \frac{\tilde{P}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c})}{\tilde{P}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c}) + kq(\mathbf{w})} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(\mathcal{Y} = 0|\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{w}) &= 1 - \Pr(\mathcal{Y} = 1|\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{w}) \\ &= 1 - \frac{\tilde{P}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c})}{\tilde{P}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c}) + kq(\mathbf{w})} \\ &= \frac{kq(\mathbf{w})}{\tilde{P}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c}) + kq(\mathbf{w})} \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ in summary:

$$\Pr(\mathcal{Y} = y | \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{w}) = \begin{cases} \frac{\tilde{P}(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{c})}{\tilde{P}(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{c}) + kq(\mathbf{w})} & y = 1 \\ \frac{kq(\mathbf{w})}{\tilde{P}(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{c}) + kq(\mathbf{w})} & y = 0 \end{cases}$$

- ▶ it can be replaced by un-normalized function:

$$\Pr(\mathcal{Y} = y | \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{w}) = \begin{cases} \frac{u_{\theta}(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{c})}{u_{\theta}(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{c}) + kq(\mathbf{w})} & y = 1 \\ \frac{kq(\mathbf{w})}{u_{\theta}(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{c}) + kq(\mathbf{w})} & y = 0 \end{cases}$$

- ▶ formal proof can be found “*Gutmann, 2012, Noise-Contrastive Estimation of Unnormalized Statistical Models, with Applications to Natural Image Statistics*”
- ▶ let's see **an intuition** through **softmax**

# Intuition through Softmax

- ▶ think about Softmax in word embedding:

$$\Pr_{\theta}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c}) = \frac{u_{\theta}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c})}{\sum_{\mathbf{w}' \in \mathcal{V}} u_{\theta}(\mathbf{w}'|\mathbf{c})} = \frac{u_{\theta}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c})}{Z_c} \equiv \frac{\exp(\mathbf{w}^{\top} \mathbf{c})}{\sum_{\mathbf{w}' \in \mathcal{V}} \exp(\mathbf{w}'^{\top} \mathbf{c})}$$

- ▶ say  $\{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \dots, \mathbf{w}_k\}$  are target words having high frequencies given  $\mathbf{c}$
- ▶  $\{\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \dots, \mathbf{r}_n\}$  are words having low frequency given  $\mathbf{c}$
- ▶ say we pick  $\mathbf{w}_i \in \{\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_k\}$  to optimize: at each round, we aim to increase  $\mathbf{w}_i^{\top} \mathbf{c}$ ; at the same time, sum of rest of softmax weights:  $\{\{\mathbf{w}_j^{\top} \mathbf{c}\}_{j \neq i} \cup \{\mathbf{r}_j^{\top} \mathbf{c}\}\}$  decrease
- ▶ in softmax, such decrease is guaranteed by the sum in denominator
- ▶ each  $\mathbf{w}_i$  has a chance to increase  $\mathbf{w}_i^{\top} \mathbf{c}$ , but each  $\mathbf{r}_j^{\top} \mathbf{c}$  will (hopefully) stay low
- ▶ **intuition**: in NCE, instead of using sum in the denominator, we “designed” a probability  $q(\cdot)$ , such that, while letting  $\mathbf{w}_i$  be a positive training sample, we also have chance to let  $\mathbf{w}_{j \neq i}$  to be part of negative training sample, i.e., to reduce the value of  $\mathbf{w}_j^{\top} \mathbf{c}$ ; it somewhat has a similar effect as **softmax**

**NCE** transforms:

- ▶ a problem of model estimation (**computationally expensive**) to:
- ▶ a problem of estimating parameters of probabilistic binary posterior classifier (**computationally acceptable**):
- ▶ main advantage: it allows us to fit models that are not explicitly normalized, making training time effectively independent of the vocabulary size

**relationship to GAN**

- ▶ generator  $q$  is **fixed** with no parameter to optimize, in GAN,  $g_{\theta_g}(z)$  also needs to be updated
- ▶ in NCE, only optimize with respect to parameters of discriminator
- ▶ data distribution is learned through discriminator not generator

- let  $u_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c}) = \exp[s_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c})]$ :

$$\Pr(\mathcal{Y} = 1|\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{w}) = \frac{u_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c})}{u_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c}) + kq(\mathbf{w})} = \sigma(\Delta s_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c}))$$

$$\Pr(\mathcal{Y} = 0|\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{w}) = \frac{kq(\mathbf{w})}{u_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c}) + kq(\mathbf{w})} = 1 - \sigma(\Delta s_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c}))$$

where  $\Delta s_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c}) \equiv s_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c}) - \log(kq(\mathbf{w}))$  let's see why

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma(\Delta s_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c})) &= \frac{1}{1 + \exp[-s_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c}) + \log(kq(\mathbf{w}))]} \\ &= \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-s_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c})) \times kq(\mathbf{w})} \\ &= \frac{\exp[s_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c})]}{\exp[s_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c})] + kq(\mathbf{w})} = \frac{u_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c})}{u_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c}) + kq(\mathbf{w})}\end{aligned}$$

- therefore the objective function is:

$$\theta^* = \arg \max_{\theta} \sum_{(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{c}) \in D} \sigma(\Delta s_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c})) + \sum_{(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}, \mathbf{c}) \in \tilde{D}} \sigma(-\Delta s_\theta(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}|\mathbf{c}))$$

# NCE and Negative Sampling

- ▶ **negative sampling** is a special case of NCE
- ▶ we let  $k = |\mathcal{V}|$  and  $q(\cdot)$  is uniform:

$$P(y = 1 | \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{w}) = \frac{u_{\theta}(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{c})}{u_{\theta}(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{c}) + |\mathcal{V}| \frac{1}{|\mathcal{V}|}} = \frac{u_{\theta}(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{c})}{u_{\theta}(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{c}) + 1}$$

$$P(y = 0 | \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{w}) = \frac{|\mathcal{V}| \frac{1}{|\mathcal{V}|}}{u_{\theta}(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{c}) + |\mathcal{V}| \frac{1}{|\mathcal{V}|}} = \frac{1}{u_{\theta}(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{c}) + 1}$$

- ▶ correspondingly, we have:

$$\Delta s_{\theta}(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{c}) \equiv s_{\theta}(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{c}) - \log \left( |\mathcal{V}| \frac{1}{|\mathcal{V}|} \right) = s_{\theta}(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{c}) = \mathbf{w}^{\top} \mathbf{c}$$

- ▶ in Skip-gram:

$$\begin{aligned} \theta^* &= \arg \max_{\theta} \sum_{(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{c}) \in D} \sigma(\mathbf{w}^{\top} \mathbf{c}) + \sum_{(\bar{\mathbf{w}}, \mathbf{c}) \in \bar{D}} \sigma(-\bar{\mathbf{w}}^{\top} \mathbf{c}) \\ &= \arg \min_{\theta} \sum_{(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{c}) \in D} \sigma(-\mathbf{u}_{\mathbf{w}}^{\top} \mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{c}}) + \sum_{(\bar{\mathbf{w}}, \mathbf{c}) \in \bar{D}} \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\bar{\mathbf{w}}^{\top} \mathbf{c})} \end{aligned}$$



## why un-normalised $u_\theta(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{c})$ still works?

- ▶ talk a look at this again, let  $u_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c}) = \exp[s_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c})]$ :

$$\Pr(\mathcal{Y} = 1 | \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{w}) = \frac{u_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c})}{u_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c}) + kq(\mathbf{w})} = \sigma(\Delta s_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c}))$$

where  $\Delta s_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c}) \equiv s_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c}) - \log(kq(\mathbf{w}))$

- ▶ we already know:

$$= \sigma(\Delta s_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c})) = \frac{1}{1 + \underbrace{\exp(-s_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c})) \times kq(\mathbf{w})}_{G(\mathbf{w}, \theta)}}$$

- ▶ in this case,

$$\begin{aligned} G(\mathbf{w}, \theta) &= \exp(-s_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c})) \times kq(\mathbf{w}) \\ &= \frac{kq(\mathbf{w})}{\exp(s_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c}))} = \frac{kq(\mathbf{w})}{u_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c})} \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ or more generically:

$$G(\mathbf{w}, \theta) = \frac{m}{n} \frac{q(\mathbf{w})}{u_\theta(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c})}$$

# what do we need to prove?

- ▶ look at  $G(\mathbf{w}, \theta) = \frac{m}{n} \frac{q(\mathbf{w})}{u_{\theta}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c})}$ :
- ▶  $G(\mathbf{w}, \theta)$  is a function of  $\theta$ , so this ratio changes; However, the **real trick** is if let:

$$\theta^* = \arg \max_{\theta} \frac{1}{n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{Y}_i \log \Pr(\mathcal{Y}_i = 1 | \mathbf{w}_i, \theta) + \sum_{i=1}^m (1 - \mathcal{Y}_i) \log [\Pr(\mathcal{Y}_i = 0 | \mathbf{w}_i, \theta)] \right)$$

- ▶ and we prove the following: (under large sample size  $n$  and  $m$ ):

$$G(\mathbf{w}, \theta^*) \rightarrow \frac{m}{n} \frac{q(\mathbf{w})}{p(\mathbf{w})} \implies u_{\theta^*}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{c}) \rightarrow p(\mathbf{w}) \quad \text{as } \theta \rightarrow \theta^*$$

so why does  $G(\mathbf{w}, \theta^*) \rightarrow \frac{m}{n} \frac{q(\mathbf{w})}{p(\mathbf{w})}$ ?

► let,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{C}_n(\theta) &= \frac{1}{n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{Y}_i \log \Pr(\mathcal{Y}_i = 1 | \mathbf{w}_i, \theta) + \sum_{i=1}^m (1 - \mathcal{Y}_i) \log[\Pr(\mathcal{Y}_i = 0 | \mathbf{w}_i, \theta)] \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{Y}_i \log \Pr(\mathcal{Y}_i = 1 | \mathbf{w}_i, \theta) + \underbrace{\frac{m}{n}}_{\nu} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (1 - \mathcal{Y}_i) \log[\Pr(\mathcal{Y}_i = 0 | \mathbf{w}_i, \theta)] \end{aligned}$$

► let  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $m \rightarrow \infty$ :  $\mathcal{C}_n \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{C} &= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{w} \sim p(\mathbf{w})} [\log \Pr(\mathcal{Y}_i = 1 | \mathbf{w}_i, \theta)] + \nu \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{w} \sim q(\mathbf{w})} [\log \Pr(\mathcal{Y}_i = 0 | \mathbf{w}_i, \theta)] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{w} \sim p(\mathbf{w})} \left[ \log \frac{1}{1 + G(\mathbf{w}, \theta)} \right] + \nu \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{w} \sim q(\mathbf{w})} \left[ \log \frac{G(\mathbf{w}, \theta)}{1 + G(\mathbf{w}, \theta)} \right] \\ &= -\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{w} \sim p(\mathbf{w})} \left[ \log(1 + G(\mathbf{w}, \theta)) \right] + \nu \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{w} \sim q(\mathbf{w})} \left[ \log G(\mathbf{w}, \theta) - \log(1 + G(\mathbf{w}, \theta)) \right] \\ &= - \int \log(1 + G(\mathbf{w}, \theta)) p(\mathbf{w}) d\mathbf{w} + \nu \int (\log G(\mathbf{w}, \theta) - \log(1 + G(\mathbf{w}, \theta))) q(\mathbf{w}) d\mathbf{w} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{C} = - \int \log(1 + G(\mathbf{w}, \theta)) p(\mathbf{w}) d\mathbf{w} + \nu \int (\log G(\mathbf{w}, \theta) - \log(1 + G(\mathbf{w}, \theta))) q(\mathbf{w}) d\mathbf{w}$$

► take **functional derivative**:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\delta \mathcal{C}(G)}{\delta G} &= -\frac{p(\mathbf{w})}{1 + G(\mathbf{w}, \theta)} + \nu q(\mathbf{w}) \left( \frac{1}{G(\mathbf{w})} - \frac{1}{1 + G(\mathbf{w})} \right) \\ &= -\frac{p(\mathbf{w})}{1 + G(\mathbf{w}, \theta)} + \frac{\nu q(\mathbf{w})}{G(\mathbf{w})(1 + G(\mathbf{w}))} = 0 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{\nu q(\mathbf{w})}{G(\mathbf{w})(1 + G(\mathbf{w}))} &= \frac{p(\mathbf{w})}{1 + G(\mathbf{w}, \theta)} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{\nu q(\mathbf{w})}{G(\mathbf{w})} &= p(\mathbf{w}) \\ \Rightarrow G(\mathbf{w}) &= \nu \frac{q(\mathbf{w})}{p(\mathbf{w})}\end{aligned}$$

► let's take a break to discuss functional derivative

for a normal **function**  $f$ :

- ▶ if  $\mathbf{x}$  is a stationary point, then any slight perturbation of  $\mathbf{x}$  must:
  - ▶ either increase  $J(\mathbf{x})$  (if  $\mathbf{x}$  is a minimizer) or
  - ▶ decrease  $J(\mathbf{x})$  (if  $\mathbf{x}$  is a maximizer)
- ▶ let  $g_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x} + \varepsilon$  be result of such a perturbation, where  $\varepsilon$  is small, then define:

$$\begin{aligned}\left. \frac{dJ_\varepsilon}{d\varepsilon} \right|_{\varepsilon=0} &= \left( \left. \frac{d J(g_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x}))}{d\varepsilon} \right|_{\varepsilon=0} \right) = \left( \frac{d J(g_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x}))}{d g_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x})} \underbrace{\frac{d g_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x})}{d\varepsilon}}_{=1} \right)_{\varepsilon=0} = \left. \frac{d J(g_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x}))}{d g_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x})} \right|_{\varepsilon=0} \\ &= \left. \frac{d J(\mathbf{x} + \varepsilon)}{d (\mathbf{x} + \varepsilon)} \right|_{\varepsilon=0} = 0 \\ \implies J'(\mathbf{x}) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ showing  $\left. \frac{dJ_\varepsilon}{d\varepsilon} \right|_{\varepsilon=0} = J'(\mathbf{x}) = 0$  above is obvious, and doesn't help anything;
- ▶ however, it does LOT for functional:

for a **functional**  $F$ :

- ▶ to find stationary function  $\mathbf{f}$  of functional  $F$ , satisfy boundary condition  $\mathbf{f}(a) = A, \mathbf{f}(b) = B$ :

$$J = \int_a^b F(x, \mathbf{f}(x), \mathbf{f}'(x)) dx$$

- ▶ slight perturbation of  $\mathbf{f}$  that preserves boundary values must:
  - ▶ either increase  $J$  (if  $\mathbf{f}$  is a minimizer) or
  - ▶ decrease  $J$  (if  $\mathbf{f}$  is a maximizer)
- ▶ let  $g_\varepsilon(x) = \mathbf{f}(x) + \varepsilon\eta(x)$  be result of such a perturbation  $\varepsilon\eta(x)$  of  $\mathbf{f}$ , where  $\varepsilon$  is small and  $\eta(x)$  is a differentiable function satisfying  $\eta(a) = \eta(b) = 0$ :

$$J_\varepsilon = \int_a^b \underbrace{F(x, g_\varepsilon(x), g'_\varepsilon(x))}_{F_\varepsilon} dx$$

# compute $\left. \frac{dJ_\varepsilon}{d\varepsilon} \right|_{\varepsilon=0}$ (1)

- ▶  $g_\varepsilon(x) = \mathbf{f}(x) + \varepsilon \eta(x) \implies g'_\varepsilon \equiv \frac{dg_\varepsilon(x)}{dx} = \mathbf{f}'(x) + \varepsilon \eta'(x) \implies \frac{dg'_\varepsilon}{d\varepsilon} = \eta'(x)$
- ▶ now calculate the total derivative of  $J_\varepsilon$  with respect to  $\varepsilon$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dJ_\varepsilon}{d\varepsilon} &= \frac{d}{d\varepsilon} \int_a^b F_\varepsilon dx = \int_a^b \frac{dF_\varepsilon}{d\varepsilon} dx \\&= \int_a^b \left[ \frac{\partial F_\varepsilon}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{d\varepsilon} + \frac{\partial F_\varepsilon}{\partial g_\varepsilon} \frac{dg_\varepsilon}{d\varepsilon} + \frac{\partial F_\varepsilon}{\partial g'_\varepsilon} \frac{dg'_\varepsilon}{d\varepsilon} \right] dx \\&= \int_a^b \left[ \frac{\partial F_\varepsilon}{\partial g_\varepsilon} \frac{dg_\varepsilon}{d\varepsilon} + \frac{\partial F_\varepsilon}{\partial g'_\varepsilon} \frac{dg'_\varepsilon}{d\varepsilon} \right] dx \quad x \text{ is independent of } \varepsilon \\&= \int_a^b \left[ \frac{\partial F_\varepsilon}{\partial g_\varepsilon} \eta(x) + \frac{\partial F_\varepsilon}{\partial g'_\varepsilon} \eta'(x) \right] dx\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ when  $\varepsilon = 0$ :

1.  $g_\varepsilon = \mathbf{f}$
2.  $F_\varepsilon = F(x, \mathbf{f}(x), \mathbf{f}'(x))$  and
3.  $J_\varepsilon$  has an extremum value

$$\left. \frac{dJ_\varepsilon}{d\varepsilon} \right|_{\varepsilon=0} = \int_a^b \left[ \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{f}} \eta(x) + \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{f}'} \eta'(x) \right] dx = 0$$

compute  $\left. \frac{dJ_\varepsilon}{d\varepsilon} \right|_{\varepsilon=0}$  (2)

$$\left. \frac{dJ_\varepsilon}{d\varepsilon} \right|_{\varepsilon=0} = \int_a^b \left[ \eta(x) \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{f}} + \underbrace{\eta'(x)}_{v'} \underbrace{\frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{f}'}}_u \right] dx = 0$$

- use integration by parts:  $\int u v' = uv - \int v u'$  on second term:

$$\begin{aligned} \left. \frac{dJ_\varepsilon}{d\varepsilon} \right|_{\varepsilon=0} &= \int_a^b \left[ \eta(x) \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{f}} \right] + \underbrace{\int_a^b \left[ \eta'(x) \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{f}'} \right] dx}_{\text{integration by parts}} \\ &= \int_a^b \left[ \eta(x) \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{f}} \right] + \left[ \eta(x) \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{f}'} \right]_a^b - \int_a^b \eta(x) \frac{d}{dx} \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{f}'} dx \\ &= \int_a^b \left[ \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{f}} - \frac{d}{dx} \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{f}'} \right] \eta(x) dx + \left[ \eta(x) \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{f}'} \right]_a^b = 0 \end{aligned}$$

- using the boundary conditions  $\eta(a) = \eta(b) = 0$ :

$$\int_a^b \left[ \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{f}} - \frac{d}{dx} \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{f}'} \right] \eta(x) dx = 0$$



- **Fundamental lemma of calculus of variations says:**  
if a **continuous function**  $f$  on an open interval  $(a, b)$  satisfies equality:

$$\int_a^b f(x)h(x) dx = 0 \implies f(x) = 0$$

- then,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b \left[ \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{f}} - \frac{d}{dx} \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{f}'} \right] \eta(x) dx &= 0 \\ \implies \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{f}} - \frac{d}{dx} \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{f}'} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

- back to our example,  $\mathcal{C}$  contains no  $G'(\mathbf{w}, \theta)$  terms, therefore, we only need to show:  
 $\frac{\delta \mathcal{C}(G)}{\delta G} = 0$

## Probability density re-parameterization

- ▶ we **love** to have integral in a form:

$$\mathcal{I} = \int_{\mathbf{z}} f(\mathbf{z}) p(\mathbf{z}) d\mathbf{z} \equiv \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z} \sim p(\mathbf{z})} [f(\mathbf{z})]$$

as we can approximate the **expectation** with:

$$\mathcal{I} \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N f(\mathbf{z}^{(i)}) \quad \mathbf{z}^{(i)} \sim p(\mathbf{z})$$

- ▶ we do **not** love  $\int_{\mathbf{z}} f(\mathbf{z}) \nabla_{\theta} p(\mathbf{z}|\theta) d\mathbf{z}$ ,
- ▶ in general,  $\nabla_{\theta} p(\mathbf{z}|\theta)$  is **not** a probability, e.g., look at derivative of a Gaussian distribution:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \left( \frac{\exp^{-(z-\mu)^2/\sigma^2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \right) = \frac{2(z-\mu)}{\sigma^2} \frac{\exp^{-(z-\mu)^2/\sigma^2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma}$$

- ▶ however, in machine learning, we have to deal with:

$$\nabla_{\theta} \left[ \int_{\mathbf{z}} f(\mathbf{z}) p(\mathbf{z}|\theta) d\mathbf{z} \right] = \int_{\mathbf{z}} \nabla_{\theta} \left[ f(\mathbf{z}) p(\mathbf{z}|\theta) \right] d\mathbf{z} = \int_{\mathbf{z}} f(\mathbf{z}) [\nabla_{\theta} p(\mathbf{z}|\theta)] d\mathbf{z}$$

- ▶ i.e.,  $\theta$  is the parameter of the distribution
- ▶ e.g., in **Reinforcement Learning**: let  $\Pi \equiv \{s_1, a_1, \dots, s_T, a_T\}$

$$p_{\theta}(\Pi) \equiv p_{\theta}(s_1, a_1, \dots, s_T, a_T) = p(s_1) \prod_{t=1}^T \pi_{\theta}(a_t | s_t) p(s_{t+1} | s_t, a_t)$$
$$\Rightarrow \theta^* = \arg \max_{\theta} \left\{ \mathbb{E}_{\Pi \sim p_{\theta}(\Pi)} \left[ \underbrace{\sum_{t=1}^T R(s_t, a_t)}_{f(\mathbf{z})} \right] \right\}$$

# Score Function Estimator

- ▶ we use **REINFORCE trick**, with the follow property:

$$p(z|\theta)f(z)\nabla_{\theta}[\log p(z|\theta)] = p(z|\theta)f(z)\frac{\nabla_{\theta}p(z|\theta)}{p(z|\theta)} = f(z)\nabla_{\theta}p(z|\theta)$$

- ▶ looking at the original integral:

$$\begin{aligned}\int_z f(z)\nabla_{\theta}p(z|\theta)dz &= \int_z p(z|\theta)f(z)\nabla_{\theta}[\log p(z|\theta)]dz \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{z\sim p(z|\theta)}\left[f(z)\nabla_{\theta}[\log p(z|\theta)]\right]\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ can approximated by:

$$\frac{1}{N}\sum_{i=1}^N f(z^{(i)})\nabla_{\theta}[\log p(z^{(i)}|\theta)] \quad z^{(i)} \sim p(z|\theta)$$

- ▶ suffers from **high variance** and is slow to converge

# Re-parameterization trick

- ▶ we let  $z = g(x)$ :

$$\mathbb{E}_{x \sim p(x)}[g(x)] = \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p(z)}[z]$$

$$\mathbb{E}_{x \sim p(x)}[g(x, \theta)] = \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p_{\theta}(z)}[z] \quad \text{parameterize the distribution with } \theta$$

$$\mathbb{E}_{x \sim p(x)}[f(g(x, \theta))] = \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p_{\theta}(z)}[f(z)] \quad \text{introduce function } f(\cdot)$$

$$\int_{x \in \Omega_x} f(g(x, \theta)) \textcolor{red}{p(x)} dx = \int_{z \in \Omega_z} f(z) \textcolor{blue}{p_{\theta}(z)} dz$$

- ▶ only need to know deterministic function  $z = g(x, \theta)$  and distribution  $p(x)$
- ▶ does **not** need to explicitly know distribution of  $z$
- ▶ e.g., Gaussian variable:  $z \sim \mathcal{N}(z; \mu(\theta), \sigma(\theta))$  can be rewritten as a function of a standard Gaussian variable:

$$z = g(x, \theta) = \underbrace{\mu(\theta) + x\sigma(\theta)}_{g(x, \theta)} \quad \text{can be re-parameterised into} \quad x \sim \underbrace{\mathcal{N}(0, 1)}_{p(x)}$$

- ▶ Let  $y = T(x) \implies x = T^{-1}(y)$ :

$$F_Y(y) = \Pr(T(X) \leq y) = \Pr(X \leq T^{-1}(y)) = F_X(T^{-1}(y)) = F_X(x)$$

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{dF_Y(y)}{dy} = \frac{dF_X(x)}{dy} = \frac{dF_X(x)}{dx} \frac{dx}{dy} = f_X(x) \frac{dx}{dy}$$

- ▶ without change of limits

$$f_Y(y)|dy| = f_X(x)|dx|$$

- ▶ with change of limits

$$f_Y(y)dy = f_X(x)dx$$

- ▶ **main motivation**  $p(x)$  is **no longer** parameterized by  $\theta$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}_{x \sim p(x)}[f(g(x, \theta))] &= \int_x f(g(x, \theta))p(x)dx \\ \implies \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \mathbb{E}_{x \sim p(x)}[f(g(x, \theta))] &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \int_x f(g(x, \theta))p(x)dx \\ &= \int_x \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} f(g(x, \theta)) \right] p(x)dx \\ &\approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} f(g(x^{(i)}, \theta)) \quad x \sim p(x) \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \nabla_{\theta} f(g(x^{(i)}, \theta)) \quad \text{use shorthand notation: } \nabla_{\theta}[\cdot] \equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}[\cdot]\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ during gradient decent,  $x$  are sampled independent of  $\theta$



# Simple example

- ▶ let  $\mu(\theta) = a\theta + b$ , and  $\sigma(\theta) = 1$ , and we would like to compute:

$$\begin{aligned}\theta^* &= \arg \max_{\theta} [F(\theta)] \\ &= \arg \min \mathbb{E}_{z \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu(\theta), \sigma(\theta))} [z^2] \\ &= \arg \min_{\theta} \left[ \int_z \underbrace{z^2}_{f(z)} \mathcal{N}\left(\underbrace{a\theta + b}_{\mu(\theta)}, \underbrace{1}_{\sigma(\theta)}\right) dz \right]\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ we can solve it by imagine its diagram . . .
- ▶ in words, it says: find mean of Gaussian, so that the “expected square of samples” from this Gaussian are minimized;
- ▶ it's obvious that you want to move  $\mu$  to close to **zero** as possible
- ▶ which implies  $\theta = -\frac{b}{a} \implies \mu(\theta) = 0$
- ▶ without using any tricks, the gradient is computed by:

$$\nabla_{\theta} F(\theta) = \int_z \underbrace{z^2}_{f(z)} \times \underbrace{\frac{2(z - \mu)}{\sigma^2} \frac{\exp^{-(z - \mu)^2 / \sigma^2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma}}_{\frac{\partial \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)}{\partial \mu}} \times \underbrace{a}_{\frac{\partial \mu}{\partial \theta}} dz$$

- ▶ very hard!

# solve it using **REINFORCE** trick

- ▶ let's solve it by gradient descend by **REINFORCE**:
- ▶ let  $\mu(\theta) = a\theta + b$ , and  $\sigma(\theta) = 1$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{\mathbf{z}} f(\mathbf{z}) \nabla_{\theta} p(\mathbf{z}|\theta) d\mathbf{z} &= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z} \sim p(\mathbf{z}|\theta)} [f(\mathbf{z}) \nabla_{\theta} [\log p(\mathbf{z}|\theta)]] \\&= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z} \sim p(\mathbf{z}|\theta)} \left[ \mathbf{z}^2 \nabla_{\theta} \log \left( \frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{2\pi}} \exp^{-\frac{(\mathbf{z}-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \right) \right] \\&= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z} \sim p(\mathbf{z}|\theta)} \left[ \mathbf{z}^2 \nabla_{\theta} \left[ -\log(\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma) - \frac{(\mathbf{z}-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2} \right] \times \frac{\partial \mu(\theta)}{\theta} \right] \\&= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{z}; a\theta + b, 1)} [\mathbf{z}^2 (\mathbf{z} - \mu(\theta)) \times a] \quad \text{let } \sigma = 1 \\&= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{z}; a\theta + b, 1)} [\mathbf{z}^2 a (\mathbf{z} - a\theta - b)]\end{aligned}$$

## solve it using **re-parameterization trick**:

- ▶  $z \sim \mathcal{N}(z; \mu(\theta), \sigma(\theta))$  can be **re-parameterised** into:
- ▶ if we need to compute:  $f(z) = z^2$

$$x \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

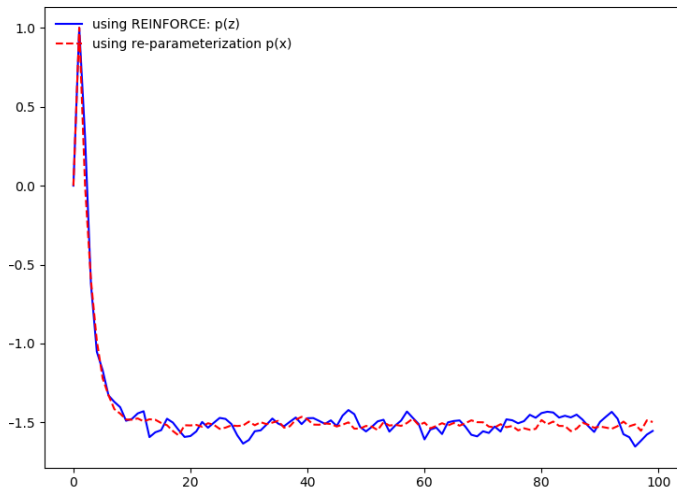
$$z \equiv g(x, \theta) = \mu(\theta) + x\sigma(\theta)$$

- ▶ the re-parameterised version is:

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla_{\theta} \mathbb{E}_{x \sim p(x)}[f(g(x, \theta))] &\equiv \mathbb{E}_{x \sim \mathcal{N}(x; 0, 1)}[\nabla_{\theta}(z^2)] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{x \sim \mathcal{N}(x; 0, 1)}[\nabla_{\theta}(\mu(\theta) + x\sigma(\theta))^2] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{x \sim \mathcal{N}(x; 0, 1)}[\nabla_{\theta}(a\theta + b + x)^2] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{x \sim \mathcal{N}(x; 0, 1)}[2a(a\theta + b + x)]\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ both REINFORCE and re-parameterization must achieve the same result!
- ▶ knowing  $p(X)$  and  $g(x, \theta)$  is sufficient, we do **not** need to know explicitly  $p(Z)$

- compare both methods using  $a = 2, b = 3$ :



► ELOB:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{\phi, \theta} &= \int q(z) \ln(p(\mathbf{y}, z)) dZ - \int q(z) \ln(q(z)) dz \\ &= \int q_{\phi}(z) \ln(p_{\theta}(\mathbf{y}, z)) dz - \int q_{\phi}(z) \ln(q_{\phi}(z)) dz \quad \text{parameterize} \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{q_{\phi}(z)} [\ln(p_{\theta}(\mathbf{y}, z))] - \mathbb{E}_{q_{\phi}(z)} [\ln(q_{\phi}(z))]\end{aligned}$$

► after re-parameterization, it appears to be:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\phi, \theta} = \mathbb{E}_{x \sim p(x)} [\log(p_{\theta}(\mathbf{y}, g(\phi, x))) - \log(q_{\phi}(g(\phi, x)))]$$

# Log-likelihood and Evidence Lower Bound (ELOB)

- ▶ It is universally true that:

$$\ln(p(\mathbf{y})) = \ln(p(\mathbf{y}, z)) - \ln(p(z|\mathbf{y}))$$

- ▶ It's also true (a bit silly) that:

$$\ln(p(\mathbf{y})) = [\ln(p(\mathbf{y}, z)) - \ln(q(z))] - [\ln(p(z|\mathbf{y})) - \ln(q(z))]$$

- ▶ The above is so that we can insert an arbitrary pdf  $q(z)$  into, now we get:

$$\ln(p(\mathbf{y})) = \ln\left(\frac{p(\mathbf{y}, z)}{q(z)}\right) - \ln\left(\frac{p(z|\mathbf{y})}{q(z)}\right)$$

- ▶ Taking the expectation on both sides, given  $q(z)$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\ln(p(\mathbf{y})) &= \int q(z) \ln\left(\frac{p(\mathbf{y}, z)}{q(z)}\right) dz - \int q(z) \ln\left(\frac{p(z|\mathbf{y})}{q(z)}\right) dz \\ &= \underbrace{\int q(z) \ln(p(\mathbf{y}, z)) dz}_{\mathcal{L}(q)} - \underbrace{\int q(z) \ln(q(z)) dz + \left(-\int q(z) \ln\left(\frac{p(z|\mathbf{y})}{q(z)}\right) dz\right)}_{\text{KL}(q||p)} \\ &= \mathcal{L}(q) + \text{KL}(q||p)\end{aligned}$$

# example on “example of re-parameterization”: variational auto-encoder

firstly, what is an auto-encoder:

- ▶ **encoder**  $x \rightarrow z$
- ▶ **decoder**  $z \rightarrow x'$ , such you want  $x$  and  $x'$  to be as close as possible
- ▶ autoencoders generate things “as it is”

**would be better**, if we could feed  $z$  to **decoder** that **were not** encoded from the images in actual dataset

- ▶ then, we can synthesis new, reasonable data
- ▶ an idea: when feed database of images  $\{x\}$  to encoder, the corresponding  $\{z\}$  are “forced into” to form a distribution, so that a **new** sample  $z'$  randomly drawn from this distribution creates a reasonable data

- ▶ loss at a particular data point  $x_i$ :

$$\mathcal{L}_i(\theta, \phi) = \underbrace{-\mathbb{E}_{z \sim Q_\theta(z|x_i)} [\log P_\phi(x_i|z)]}_{\text{reconstruction error}} + \underbrace{\text{KL}(Q_\theta(z|x_i) || p(z))}_{\text{regularizer}}$$

- ▶ we want  $\mathbb{E}_{z \sim Q_\theta(z|x_i)} [\log P_\phi(x_i|z)]$  to be high, it needs for:
- ▶  $Q_\theta(z|x_i) \uparrow \implies P_\phi(x_i|z) \uparrow$  and  $Q_\theta(z|x_i) \downarrow \implies P_\phi(x_i|z) \downarrow$
- ▶ therefore, the optimal solution may be for  $Q_\theta(z|x_i)$  and  $P_\phi(x_i|z)$  to be just a single delta function in a  $x - z$  plane
- ▶ and all rest of  $\{x, z\}$  are delta functions lies on a monotonic curve on the  $x - z$  plane
- ▶ regularizer  $\text{KL}(Q_\theta(z|x_i) || P(z))$  ensure  $Q_\theta(z|x_i)$  doesn't behave the above, i.e.,  $Q_\theta(z|x_i)$  are distributed as close to Gaussian distribution as possible
- ▶  $P_\phi(x_i|z)$  is just supervised learning: pixel value  $x_i$  is its label/value



# look at the ELBO again

- ▶ we are not choosing our normal ELBO to maximize:

$$\ln(p(\mathbf{y})) = \underbrace{\int q(z) \ln(p(\mathbf{y}, z)) dz - \int q(z) \ln(q(z)) dz}_{\mathcal{L}(q)} + \underbrace{\left( - \int q(z) \ln \left( \frac{p(z|\mathbf{y})}{q(z)} \right) dz \right)}_{\text{KL}(q\|p)}$$

$$q(z) \rightarrow q(z|\mathbf{y})$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \int q(z|\mathbf{y}) \ln(p(z, \mathbf{y})) dz - \int q(z|\mathbf{y}) \ln(q(z|\mathbf{y})) dz + \left( - \int q(z|\mathbf{y}) \ln \left( \frac{p(z|\mathbf{y})}{q(z|\mathbf{y})} \right) dz \right) \\ &= \int q(z|\mathbf{y}) \ln(p(\mathbf{y}|z)) dz + \int q(z|\mathbf{y}) \ln(p(z)) dz - \int q(z|\mathbf{y}) \ln(q(z|\mathbf{y})) dz + \text{KL}(q(z|\mathbf{y})\|p(z|\mathbf{y})) \\ &= \int q(z|\mathbf{y}) \ln(p(\mathbf{y}|z)) dz + \int q(z|\mathbf{y}) \ln(p(z)) dz - \int q(z|\mathbf{y}) \ln(q(z|\mathbf{y})) dz + \text{KL}(q(z|\mathbf{y})\|p(z|\mathbf{y})) \\ &= \int q(z|\mathbf{y}) \ln(p(\mathbf{y}|z)) dz - \text{KL}(q(z|\mathbf{y})\|p(z)) + \text{KL}(q(z|\mathbf{y})\|p(z|\mathbf{y})) \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \ln(p(\mathbf{y})) - \text{KL}(q(z|\mathbf{y})\|p(z|\mathbf{y})) &= \int q(z|\mathbf{y}) \ln(p(\mathbf{y}|z)) dz - \text{KL}(q(z|\mathbf{y})\|p(z)) \\ &= \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{z \sim q(z|\mathbf{y})} [\ln(p(\mathbf{y}|z))] - \text{KL}(q(z|\mathbf{y})\|p(z))}_{\textcircled{1} \mathcal{L}} \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ by minimizing  $\textcircled{1} \mathcal{L} \implies q(z|\mathbf{y}) \rightarrow p(z|\mathbf{y}) \implies \ln(p(\mathbf{y}))$  is maximized

- ▶ knowing

$$\ln(p(\mathbf{y})) - \text{KL}(q(z|\mathbf{y})\|p(z|\mathbf{y})) = \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{z \sim q(z|\mathbf{y})} [\ln(p(\mathbf{y}|z))] - \text{KL}(q(z|\mathbf{y})\|p(z))}_{\mathcal{L}(\cdot)}$$

- ▶ our aim is if we do:

$$\mathbf{z}_i \sim q_\theta(z|\mathbf{y}_i) \quad \mathcal{Y}_i \sim p_\phi(\mathcal{Y}|\mathbf{z}_i)$$

we want  $\mathcal{Y}_i$  to resemble  $\mathbf{y}_i$  with high probability

- ▶ in VAE, loss at each data point:

$$\mathcal{L}_i(\theta, \phi) = \underbrace{-\mathbb{E}_{z \sim q_\theta(z|\mathbf{y}_i)} [\log p_\phi(\mathbf{y}_i|z)]}_{\text{reconstruction loss}} + \underbrace{\text{KL}(q_\theta(z|\mathbf{y}_i)\|p(z))}_{\text{regularizer}}$$

# objective function illustration

new interpretation:

- ▶ loss at loss function again:

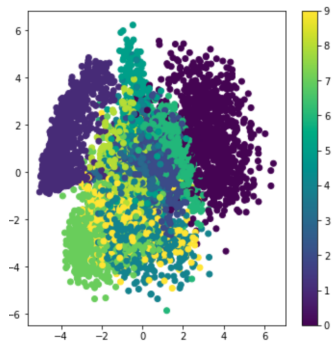
$$\mathcal{L}_i(\theta, \phi) = \underbrace{-\mathbb{E}_{z \sim q_\theta(z|\mathbf{y}_i)} [\log p_\phi(\mathbf{y}_i|z)]}_{\text{reconstruction loss}} + \underbrace{\text{KL}(q_\theta(z|\mathbf{y}_i) \| p(z))}_{\text{regularizer}}$$

- ▶ without reconstruction loss, same numbers may not be close together, i.e., they spread across the entire multivariate normal distribution, when we perform:

$$\mathbf{Z}_i \sim q_\theta(z|\mathbf{y}_i) \quad \mathcal{Y}_i \sim p_\phi(\mathcal{Y}|\mathbf{Z}_i)$$

i.e.,  $\mathcal{Y}_i$  has low probability to look like  $\mathbf{y}_i$

- ▶ without regularizer, you may recover digits back, but they don't form overall multivariate Gaussian distribution (so you can't sample)



<https://towardsdatascience.com/variational-auto-encoders-fc701b9fc569>

# KL between two Gaussian distributions

- compute  $\text{KL}(\mathcal{N}(\mu_1, \Sigma_1) \parallel \mathcal{N}(\mu_2, \Sigma_2))$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{KL} &= \int_x \left[ \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{|\Sigma_2|}{|\Sigma_1|} - \frac{1}{2} (x - \mu_1)^T \Sigma_1^{-1} (x - \mu_1) + \frac{1}{2} (x - \mu_2)^T \Sigma_2^{-1} (x - \mu_2) \right] \times p(x) dx \\&= \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{|\Sigma_2|}{|\Sigma_1|} - \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left\{ \mathbb{E}[(x - \mu_1)(x - \mu_1)^T] \Sigma_1^{-1} \right\} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E}[(x - \mu_2)^T \Sigma_2^{-1} (x - \mu_2)] \\&= \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{|\Sigma_2|}{|\Sigma_1|} - \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \{ I_d \} + \frac{1}{2} (\mu_1 - \mu_2)^T \Sigma_2^{-1} (\mu_1 - \mu_2) + \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \{ \Sigma_2^{-1} \Sigma_1 \} \\&= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \log \frac{|\Sigma_2|}{|\Sigma_1|} - d + \text{tr} \{ \Sigma_2^{-1} \Sigma_1 \} + (\mu_2 - \mu_1)^T \Sigma_2^{-1} (\mu_2 - \mu_1) \right]\end{aligned}$$

- substitute  $\mu_2 = 1$  for each dimension,  $\Sigma_2 = I$  is a  $\Sigma_2$  is a diagonal matrix:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{KL}[N(\mu(X), \Sigma(X)) \parallel N(0, 1)] &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \text{tr}(\Sigma(X)) + \mu(X)^T \mu(X) - k - \log \det(\Sigma(X)) \right) \\&= \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_k \sigma_k^2 + \sum_k \mu_k^2 - \sum_k 1 - \log \prod_k \sigma_k^2 \right) \\&= \frac{1}{2} \sum_k \left( \sigma_k^2 + \mu_k^2 - 1 - \log \sigma_k^2 \right)\end{aligned}$$

there is an even simpler way to compute KL, when  $p(x, y) = p(x)p(y)$  and  $q(x, y) = q(x)q(y)$

► let

$$\begin{aligned} \text{KL}(p, q) &= - \left( \int p(x) \log q(x) dx - \int p(x) \log p(x) dx \right) \\ &\implies \text{KL}(p(x)p(y), q(x)q(y)) \\ &= - \left( \int_x \int_y p(x)p(y) [\log q(x) + \log q(y)] dx - p(x)p(y) [\log p(x) + \log p(y)] dx \right) \\ &= - \left( \int_x \int_y [p(x)p(y) \log q(x) + p(x)p(y) \log q(y) - p(x)p(y) \log p(x) - p(x)p(y) \log p(y)] dx \right) \\ &= - \left( \int_x \int_y p(x)p(y) \log q(x) + \int_x \int_y p(x)p(y) \log q(y) - \int_x \int_y p(x)p(y) \log p(x) - \int_x \int_y p(x)p(y) \log p(y) dx \right) \\ &= - \left( \int_x p(x) \log q(x) \int_y p(y) + \int_x p(x) \int_y p(y) \log q(y) - \int_x p(x) \log p(x) \int_y p(y) - \int_x p(x) \int_y p(y) \log p(y) \right) \\ &= - \left( \int_x p(x) \log q(x) + \int_y p(y) \log q(y) - \int_x p(x) \log p(x) - \int_y p(y) \log p(y) \right) \\ &= - \left( \int_x p(x) \log q(x) - \int_x p(x) \log p(x) \right) - \left( \int_y p(y) \log q(y) - \int_y p(y) \log p(y) \right) \\ &= \text{KL}(p(x) \| q(x)) + \text{KL}(p(y) \| q(y)) \end{aligned}$$

there is an even simpler way to compute KL, when  $p(x, y) = p(x)p(y)$  and  $q(x, y) = q(x)q(y)$

- let  $p(x) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_p, \sigma_p)$  and  $q(x) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_q, \sigma_q)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} KL(p, q) &= - \int p(x) \log q(x) dx + \int p(x) \log p(x) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma_q^2) + \frac{\sigma_p^2 + (\mu_p - \mu_q)^2}{2\sigma_q^2} - \frac{1}{2} (1 + \log 2\pi\sigma_p^2) \\ &= \log \frac{\sigma_q}{\sigma_p} + \frac{\sigma_p^2 + (\mu_p - \mu_q)^2}{2\sigma_q^2} - \frac{1}{2} \\ &= \log \sigma_q - \log \sigma_p + \frac{\sigma_p^2}{2\sigma_q^2} + \frac{(\mu_p - \mu_q)^2}{2\sigma_q^2} - \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

- let  $q(x) = \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} KL(p, q) &= \frac{\sigma_p^2}{2} + \frac{\mu_p^2}{2} - \frac{1}{2} - \log \sigma_p \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\sigma_p^2}{2} + \frac{\mu_p^2}{2} - \frac{1}{2} - \log \sigma_p^2 \right] \end{aligned}$$

- $P(X) = \prod_k p(x_k)$  and  $Q(X) = \prod_k q(x_k)$ :

# where does neural network come in to play?

- ▶ to do Bayesian properly, we need:

$$P(z|x_i) \propto \underbrace{P_\theta(x_i|z)}_{\text{Encoder network}} \underbrace{P(z)}_{\mathcal{N}(0, I)}$$

- ▶ this is certainly not Gaussian! therefore, we need to use variational approach, and to define  $Q_\theta(z|x_i) \equiv \mathcal{N}(\mu(x_i, \theta), \Sigma(x_i, \theta))$
- ▶ we can choose any distribution, but having Normal distribution making KL computation a lot easier in objective function
- ▶ how do we obtain the parameter value of this Gaussian?
- ▶ of course a linear, or a kernel won't do its trick, we need a Neural Network for both  $\mu(x_i, \theta), \Sigma(x_i, \theta)$

- ▶ when we have the following

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}_{K \sim \text{softmax}(\mu_1(\theta), \dots, \mu_L(\theta))}[f(\mathbf{v}(K))] &= \sum_{k=1}^L f(\mathbf{v}(k)) \Pr(k|\theta) \\ &\equiv \sum_{k=1}^L f(\mathbf{v}(k)) (\text{softmax}(\mu_1(\theta), \dots, \mu_L(\theta)))_k\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ can we find their corresponding:

$$\mathcal{K} = g(\mathcal{G}, \theta) \qquad \mathcal{G} \sim p(\mathcal{G})$$



# Re-parameterization using Gumbel-max trick

- ▶ Gumbel-max trick also means:

$$\begin{aligned} U &\sim \underbrace{\mathcal{U}(0, 1)}_{p(\mathcal{G})} & \mathcal{G} &= -\log(-\log(U)) \\ k &= \arg \max_{i \in \{1, \dots, K\}} \underbrace{\{\mu_1(\theta) + \mathcal{G}, \dots, \mu_K(\theta) + \mathcal{G}\}}_{g(\mathcal{G}, \theta)} & \mathbf{v} &= \text{one-hot}(k) \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ this is a form of re-parameterization:  
instead of sample  $\mathcal{K} \sim \text{softmax}(\mu_1(\theta), \dots, \mu_K(\theta))$ , we i.i.d. sample  $\mathcal{G}$  instead
- ▶ well, there is two problems, firstly **why is such true?**

# Gumbel-max trick and Softmax (1)

- ▶ pdf of Gumbel with **unit scale** and location parameter  $\mu$ :

$$\text{gumbel}(Z = z; \mu) = \exp \left[ - (z - \mu) - \exp\{-(z - \mu)\} \right]$$

- ▶ CDF of Gumbel:

$$\text{Gumbel}(Z \leq z; \mu) = \exp \left[ - \exp\{-(z - \mu)\} \right]$$

# Gumbel-max trick and Softmax (1)

- ▶ given a set of Gumbel random variables  $\{Z_i\}$ , each having own location parameters  $\{\mu_i\}$ , probability of all other  $Z_{i \neq k}$  are less than a particular value of  $z_k$ :

$$p(\max\{Z_{i \neq k}\} = z_k) = \prod_{i \neq k} \exp \left[ -\exp\{-(z_k - \mu_i)\} \right]$$

- ▶ obviously,  $Z_k \sim \text{gumbel}(Z_k = z_k; \mu_k)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} & \Pr(k \text{ is largest} \mid \{\mu_i\}) \\ &= \int \exp\{-(z_k - \mu_k) - \exp\{-(z_k - \mu_k)\}\} \prod_{i \neq k} \exp\{-\exp\{-(z_k - \mu_i)\}\} dz_k \\ &= \int \exp \left[ -z_k + \mu_k - \exp\{-(z_k - \mu_k)\} \right] \exp \left[ -\sum_{i \neq k} \exp\{-(z_k - \mu_i)\} \right] dz_k \\ &= \int \exp \left[ -z_k + \mu_k - \exp\{-(z_k - \mu_k)\} - \sum_{i \neq k} \exp\{-(z_k - \mu_i)\} \right] dz_k \\ &= \int \exp \left[ -z_k + \mu_k - \sum_i \exp\{-(z_k - \mu_i)\} \right] dz_k \\ &= \int \exp \left[ -z_k + \mu_k - \sum_i \exp\{-z_k + \mu_i\} \right] dz_k \\ &= \int \exp \left[ -z_k + \mu_k - \exp\{-z_k\} \sum_i \exp\{\mu_i\} \right] dz_k \end{aligned}$$

- keep on going:

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr(k \text{ is largest} \mid \{\mu_i\}) &= \int \exp \left[ -z_k + \mu_k - \exp\{-z_k\} \sum_i \exp\{\mu_i\} \right] dz_k \\&= \exp^{\mu_k} \int \exp \left[ -z_k - \exp\{-z_k\} C \right] dz_k \\&= \exp^{\mu_k} \left[ \frac{\exp(-C \exp(-z_k))}{C} \Big|_{z_k=-\infty}^{\infty} \right] \\&= \exp^{\mu_k} \left[ \frac{1}{C} - 0 \right] = \frac{\exp^{\mu_k}}{\sum_i \exp\{\mu_i\}}\end{aligned}$$

## Gumbel-max trick and Softmax (2)

- ▶ moral of the story is, if one is to sample the largest element from **softmax**:

$$K \sim \left\{ \frac{\exp(\mu_1)}{\sum_i \exp(\mu_i)}, \dots, \frac{\exp(\mu_L)}{\sum_i \exp(\mu_i)} \right\}$$
$$\implies K = \arg \max_{i \in \{1, \dots, L\}} \{G_1, \dots, G_L\}$$

$$\text{where } G_i \sim \text{gumbel}(z; \mu_i) \equiv \exp \left[ - (z - \mu_i) - \exp\{-(z - \mu_i)\} \right]$$

$$\implies K = \arg \max_{i \in \{1, \dots, L\}} \{\mu_1 + \mathcal{G}, \dots, \mu_L + \mathcal{G}\}$$

$$\text{where } \mathcal{G} \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \text{gumbel}(z; 0) \equiv \exp \left[ - (z) - \exp\{-(z)\} \right]$$

- ▶ what is  $\mu_i$ ? for example,
  - ▶  $\mu_i \equiv \mathbf{x}^\top \theta_i$  in classification
  - ▶  $\mu_i \equiv \mathbf{u}_i^\top \mathbf{v}_c$  for word vectors
- ▶ some literature writes it as :

$$\equiv \arg \max_{i \in \{1, \dots, L\}} \{\log(\mu_1) + \mathcal{G}, \dots, \log(\mu_L) + \mathcal{G}\}$$

meaning, they let  $\mu_i \equiv \exp(\mathbf{x}^\top \theta_i)$

# how to sample a Gumbel?

- CDF of a Gumbel:

$$\begin{aligned}u &= \exp^{-\exp^{-(x-\mu)/\beta}} \\ \implies \log(u) &= -\exp^{-(x-\mu)/\beta} \\ \implies \log(-\log(u)) &= -(x-\mu)/\beta \\ \implies -\beta \log(-\log(u)) &= x-\mu \\ \implies x &= \text{CDF}^{-1}(u) \equiv \mu - \beta \log(-\log(u))\end{aligned}$$

- for standard Gumbel, i.e.,  $\mu = 0, \beta = 1$ :

$$x = \text{CDF}^{-1}(u) \equiv -\log(-\log(u))$$

- therefore, sampling strategy:

$$\begin{aligned}U &\sim \mathcal{U}(0, 1) \\ \mathcal{G} &= -\log(-\log(U)) \\ K &= \arg \max_{i \in \{1, \dots, K\}} \{\mu_1 + \mathcal{G}, \dots, \mu_L + \mathcal{G}\} \\ \mathbf{v} &= \text{one-hot}(K)\end{aligned}$$

## Second problem with Softmax re-parameterisation

- ▶ the other remaining **problem**: sample  $\mathbf{v}$  also has an  $\arg \max$  operation, it's a discrete distribution!
- ▶ one can **relax** the softmax distribution, for example **softmax map**
- ▶ several solutions proposed, for example:  
“Maddison, Mnih, and Teh (2017), *The Concrete Distribution: a Continuous Relaxation of Discrete Random Variables*”

## ► softmax map

$$f_{\tau}(x)_k = \frac{\exp(\mu_k/\tau)}{\sum_{k=1}^K \exp(\mu_k/\tau)} \quad \mu_k \equiv \mu_k(x_k)$$

$$\text{as } \tau \rightarrow 0 \implies f_{\tau}(x) = \max \left( \left\{ \frac{\exp(\mu_k)}{\sum_{k=1}^K \exp(\mu_k)} \right\}_{k=1}^K \right)$$

- **questions** can you also think about the relationship between Gaussian Mixture Model and K-means?
- one can say  $\tau = 1$  is softmax, and  $\tau = 0$  is hard-max!
- then we can apply the same softmax map with added Gumbel variables:

$$(X_k^{\tau})_k = f_{\tau}(\mu + G)_k = \left( \frac{\exp(\mu_k + G_k)/\tau)}{\sum_{i=1}^K \exp(\mu_i + G_i)/\tau)} \right)_k$$



**Use Natural Gradients in Deep Learning (in progress)**

- Taylor (order 1) expansion of  $\mathcal{L}(\theta)$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}(\theta + h) &\approx \mathcal{L}(\theta) + \nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(\theta)^{\top} h \\ \implies \arg \min_h \{\mathcal{L}(\theta + h)\} &\approx \arg \min_h \{\nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(\theta)^{\top} h\}\end{aligned}$$

- look at steepest gradient descent: we minimize at an **equiv-euclidean-distance** hyper-sphere:

$$\begin{aligned}h^* &= \arg \min_h \{\mathcal{L}(\theta + h) : \|h\| = 1\} \\ &\approx \arg \min_h \{\nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(\theta)^{\top} h : \|h\| = 1\} \\ &= -\nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(\theta)\end{aligned}$$

- now instead, we minimize at an **equiv-KL-distance** manifold:

$$\begin{aligned}h^* &= \arg \min_h \{\mathcal{L}(\theta + h) : h \in (\text{KL}[p_{\theta} \| p_{\theta+h}] = c)\} \\ &\approx \arg \min_h \{\nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(\theta)^{\top} h : h \in (\text{KL}[p_{\theta} \| p_{\theta+h}] = c)\}\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ solving

$$h^* \approx \arg \min_h \{ \nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(\theta)^{\top} h : h \in (\text{KL}[p_{\theta} \| p_{\theta+h}] = c) \}$$

- ▶ solve using Lagrange Multiplier:

$$= \arg \min_h (\nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(\theta)^{\top} h + \lambda(\text{KL}[p_{\theta} \| p_{\theta+h}] - c))$$

- ▶ if we can prove second degree Taylor approximation:

$$\text{KL}[p_{\theta} \| p_{\theta+h}] \equiv \text{KL}[p(x|\theta) \| p(x|\theta + h)] \approx \frac{1}{2} h^{\top} F h \quad (\text{A})$$

- ▶ then,

$$\begin{aligned} h^* &\approx \arg \min_h \left( \nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(\theta)^{\top} h + \lambda \left( \frac{1}{2} h^{\top} F h - c \right) \right) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial h} (\nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(\theta)^{\top} h + \frac{1}{2} \lambda h^{\top} F h - \lambda c) &= 0 \\ \nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(\theta) + \lambda F h &= 0 \\ h &= -\frac{1}{\lambda} F^{-1} \nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(\theta) \end{aligned}$$

repeat the steps until convergence:

1. feed-forward
2. compute  $\nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(\theta_n)$
3. Compute:  $F = \mathbb{E}_{p(x|\theta_n)} [\nabla_{\theta} [\mathcal{L}(\theta_n)] \nabla_{\theta} [\mathcal{L}(\theta_n)]^{\top}]$
4.  $\theta_{n+1} = \theta_n - \alpha F^{-1} \nabla_{\theta_n} \mathcal{L}(\theta_n)$

# A why second order Taylor Expansion $\text{KL}[p_\theta || p_{\theta+h}] \approx \frac{1}{2} h^\top F h$

- look at taylor expansion:

$$f(x_0 + h) \approx f(x) + f'(x)h + \frac{1}{2} h^\top f''(x)h \mid x = x_0$$

- to avoid confusion:  $x_0 \rightarrow \theta_0$  is constant, and  $\theta' \rightarrow \theta$  is variable

$$\begin{aligned} \text{KL}[p_{\theta_0} || p_{\theta+h}] &\approx \text{KL}[p_{\theta_0} || p_\theta] + (\nabla_\theta \text{KL}[p_{\theta_0} || p_\theta])^\top h + \frac{1}{2} h^\top (\nabla_\theta^2 \text{KL}[p_{\theta_0} || p_\theta]) h \Big|_{\theta=\theta_0} \\ &= \text{KL}[p_{\theta_0} || p_{\theta_0}] + \underbrace{(\nabla_{\theta_0} \text{KL}[p_{\theta_0} || p_{\theta_0}])^\top}_{(1)} h + \frac{1}{2} h^\top \underbrace{(\nabla_{\theta \rightarrow \theta_0}^2 \text{KL}[p_{\theta_0} || p_\theta])}_{(2)} h \\ &= 0 + 0 + \frac{1}{2} h^\top F h \\ &= \frac{1}{2} h^\top F h \end{aligned}$$

# Look at KullbackLeibler divergence

- ▶ look at KL between  $p(x|\theta)$  and  $p(x|\theta')$ :

$$\text{KL}[p(x|\theta) \parallel p(x|\theta')] = \mathbb{E}_{p(x|\theta)} \left[ \log \frac{p(x|\theta)}{p(x|\theta')} \right] = \mathbb{E}_{p(x|\theta)} [\log p(x|\theta)] - \mathbb{E}_{p(x|\theta)} [\log p(x|\theta')]$$

- ▶ taking first derivative with respect to  $\theta'$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{\theta'} \text{KL}[p(x|\theta) \parallel p(x|\theta')] &= \nabla_{\theta'} [\mathbb{E}_{p(x|\theta)} [\log p(x|\theta)] - \mathbb{E}_{p(x|\theta)} [\log p(x|\theta')]] \\ &= -\mathbb{E}_{p(x|\theta)} [\nabla_{\theta'} [\log p(x|\theta')]] \\ &= -\int p(x|\theta) \nabla_{\theta'} [\log p(x|\theta')] dx \end{aligned}$$

# 1 what's $\nabla_{\theta' \rightarrow \theta} \text{KL}[p(x|\theta) \parallel p(x|\theta')]$ ?

► let  $\theta' \rightarrow \theta$ :

$$\begin{aligned} & \nabla_{\theta'} \text{KL}[p(x|\theta) \parallel p(x|\theta')] \mid \theta' \rightarrow \theta \\ &= - \int p(x|\theta) \nabla_{\theta} [\log p(x|\theta)] dx \\ &= - \int p(x|\theta) \frac{\nabla_{\theta} [p(x|\theta)]}{p(x|\theta)} dx = - \int \nabla_{\theta} [p(x|\theta)] dx \\ &= - \nabla_{\theta} \left[ \int p(x|\theta) dx \right] \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

► it's obvious that  $f(x) = 0 \nRightarrow f'(x) = 0$  think about  $f(x) = 3x^2 + x = 0$

② what's  $\nabla_{\theta' \rightarrow \theta}^2 \text{KL}[p(x|\theta) \parallel p(x|\theta')]$ ?

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla_{\theta'} \text{KL}[p(x|\theta) \parallel p(x|\theta')] &= - \int p(x|\theta) \nabla_{\theta'} \log p(x|\theta') \, dx \\ \Rightarrow \nabla_{\theta'}^2 \text{KL}[p(x|\theta) \parallel p(x|\theta')] &= \nabla_{\theta'} \left[ - \int p(x|\theta) \nabla_{\theta'} \log p(x|\theta') \, dx \right] \\ \Rightarrow \nabla_{\theta' \rightarrow \theta}^2 \text{KL}[p(x|\theta) \parallel p(x|\theta')] &= \nabla_{\theta'} \left[ - \int p(x|\theta) \nabla_{\theta'} \log p(x|\theta') \, dx \right] \Big|_{\theta'=\theta} \\ &= - \int p(x|\theta) \nabla_{\theta} [\nabla_{\theta} [\log p(x|\theta)]] \, dx\end{aligned}$$



## ② what's $\nabla_{\theta' \rightarrow \theta}^2 \text{KL}[p(x|\theta) \parallel p(x|\theta')]$ ? cont.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \nabla_{\theta' \rightarrow \theta}^2 \text{KL}[p(x|\theta) \parallel p(x|\theta')] \\
 &= - \int p(x|\theta) \nabla_{\theta} [\nabla_{\theta} [\log p(x|\theta)]] dx = - \int p(x|\theta) \nabla_{\theta} \left[ \frac{\nabla_{\theta} [p(x|\theta)]}{p(x|\theta)} \right] dx \\
 &= - \int p(x|\theta) \nabla_{\theta} \left[ \underbrace{\nabla_{\theta} [p(x|\theta)]}_u \underbrace{p(x|\theta)^{-1}}_v \right] dx \\
 &= - \int p(x|\theta) \left[ \underbrace{-\nabla_{\theta} [p(x|\theta)] p(x|\theta)^{-2} \nabla_{\theta} [p(x|\theta)]}_{uv'} + \underbrace{\nabla_{\theta}^2 [p(x|\theta)] p(x|\theta)^{-1}}_{u'v} \right] dx \quad \text{scalar form} \\
 &= - \int p(x|\theta) \left[ \nabla_{\theta}^2 [p(x|\theta)] p(x|\theta)^{-1} - \nabla_{\theta} [p(x|\theta)]^2 p(x|\theta)^{-2} \right] dx \\
 &= - \int p(x|\theta) \left[ \frac{\nabla_{\theta}^2 [p(x|\theta)]}{p(x|\theta)} \right] dx + \int p(x|\theta) \left[ \left( \frac{\nabla p(x|\theta)}{p(x|\theta)} \right) \left( \frac{\nabla p(x|\theta)}{p(x|\theta)} \right)^{\top} \right] dx \quad \text{vector-matrix form} \\
 &= - \int \nabla_{\theta}^2 [p(x|\theta)] dx + \mathbb{E}_{p(x|\theta)} \left[ \left( \frac{\nabla p(x|\theta)}{p(x|\theta)} \right) \left( \frac{\nabla p(x|\theta)}{p(x|\theta)} \right)^{\top} \right] \\
 &= - \nabla_{\theta}^2 \left[ \int p(x|\theta) dx \right] + \mathbb{E}_{p(x|\theta)} \left[ \nabla \log p(x|\theta) \nabla \log p(x|\theta)^{\top} \right] \\
 &= 0 + F \\
 &= F
 \end{aligned}$$