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Boltzmann Distribution (1868)

Definition

The probability that a given system is in a specific state based on the energy of that state and the system's temperature.

If we have several particles $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^d$ treated as random variables with each particle having a random state, the probability mass function and corresponding variables are given as:

$$\mathbb{P}(x) = \frac{e^{-\beta E(x)}}{Z}, \qquad Z := \sum_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} e^{-\beta E(x)}, \qquad \beta := \frac{1}{k_B T} \tag{1}$$

where E(x) is the energy of variable x, Z is the canonical partition function used for normalization, and β is the reciprocal of thermodynamic temperature.

Required Background

- Simplest explanation of ferromagnetism
 - Particles have either spin +1 or -1 and are assumed to be interacting with nearest neighbors.
 - $x_i \in \{-1, +1\}, \forall i \in \{1, ..., d\}$
- \triangleright Uses Boltzmann distribution with energy E(x) given by:

$$E(x) = -\sum_{(i,j)} J_{ij} x_i x_j, \qquad (2)$$

where J_{ij} is a coupling parameter dependent on the model.

- Ferromagnetic: $J_{ij} \geq 0$, so parallel spins
- Anti-ferromagnetic: $J_{ij} < 0$, so antiparallel spins
- ▶ BM and RBM are Ising models
 - Coupling parameter considered as a weight
 - ► Energy-based learning methods

Required Background

- Ising model of a neural network
 - Network of neurons $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^d$
- States and outputs are binary: $x_i \in \{-1, +1\}$
- \triangleright Weights between neurons i and j denoted w_{ij}
 - Learned through Hebbian learning rule:

$$w_{ij} := \begin{cases} x_i \times x_j & \text{if } i \neq j, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Outputs determined from input if threshold θ passed:

$$x_i := \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } \sum_{j=1}^d w_{ij} x_j \ge \theta, \\ -1 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- RBM model is a Hopfield network
 - weights learned with MLE, not Hebbian learning

- Use d conditional distributions to draw samples from a d-dimensional multivariate distribution $\mathbb{P}(x)$
 - ► Assumes it is simple to draw samples from
- Follows an algorithm:
 - Start from random d-dimensional vector in range of data
 - ② Sample 1st dimension of 1st sample from the distribution of the 1st dimension conditioned on the others
 - ▶ j-th dimension: $x_j \sim P(x_j|x_1,...,x_{j-1},x_{j+1},...,x_d)$
 - Do this for all dimensions until all dimensions of 1st sample are drawn
 - Repeat this iteratively for all samples

Structure of the BM/RBM

Generative model named after the distribution used in it.

- ► Visible layer:
 - Layer we can see such as data

$$\mathbf{v} = [v_1, ..., v_d] \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

- Hidden layer:
 - Layer of latent variables
 - Meaningful features
 - Embeddings of the visual data
 - $\mathbf{h} = [h_1, ..., h_d] \in \mathbb{R}^p$
- Meaningful connection between visible and hidden layers

- $\mathbf{W} = [w_{ij}] \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times p}$:
 - \triangleright w_{ij} is the link between v_i and h_i
 - Symmetric, i.e., $w_{ij} = w_{ji}$
- $\mathbf{L} = [l_{ii}] \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$:
 - $ightharpoonup l_{ii}$ is the link between v_i and v_i
 - $l_{ii} = 0 \forall i$
- $\mathbf{J} = [j_{ij}] \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}$:
 - \triangleright j_{ij} is the link between h_i and h_j
 - $i_{ii} = 0 \forall i$
- ▶ **b** = $[b_1, ..., b_d] \in \mathbb{R}^d$:
 - \triangleright b_i is the bias link for v_i
- $\mathbf{c} = [c_1, ..., c_d] \in \mathbb{R}^p$:
 - $ightharpoonup c_i$ is the bias link for h_i

Difference between BM and RBM

Restricted Boltzmann machines are a specific form of the Boltzmann machine.

 \triangleright Restricts links to be L = J = 0

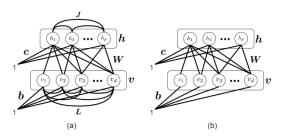


Figure: The structures of (a) a Boltzmann machine and (b) a restricted Boltzmann machine.

- ightharpoonup Yields energy $E(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}) := -\mathbf{b}^{\top} \mathbf{v} \mathbf{c}^{\top} \mathbf{h} \mathbf{v}^{\top} \mathbf{W} \mathbf{h}$
- ▶ Joint Boltzmann distribution: $\mathbb{P}(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}) = \frac{1}{Z}e^{-E(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h})}$

Generate hidden and visible units in training and evaluation phases of RBM as follows:

- ► Input visible dataset **v**
- Get initialization or do random initialization of v
- ▶ Iteratively sample until burn-out convergence
 - for j from 1 to p do $h_j^{(\nu)} \sim \mathbb{P}(h_j \mid \mathbf{v}^{(\nu)})$
 - for i from 1 to d do $v_i^{(\nu+1)} \sim \mathbb{P}(v_i \mid \mathbf{h}^{(\nu)})$

BM and RBM are generative models.

Can represent d-dimensional observation through generation of any number of p-dimensional hidden variables using Gibbs sampling.

Training with Maximum Likelihood Estimation

- Need to learn weights of links to generate new units
- Log-likelihood:

$$\ell(\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log \left(\sum_{\mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{R}^p} e^{-E(\mathbf{v}_i, \mathbf{h})} \right) - n \log \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^d} \sum_{\mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{R}^p} e^{-E(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h})}$$

Gradient of each parameter (W, b, c) for gradient ascent using Maximum Likelihood Estimation:

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{W}} \ell = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbf{v}_{i} \widehat{\mathbf{h}}_{i}^{\top} - n \mathbb{E}_{\sim \mathbb{P}(\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{v})} [\mathbf{v} \mathbf{h}^{\top}], \tag{3}$$

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{b}}\ell = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbf{v}_i - n\mathbb{E}_{\sim \mathbb{P}(\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{v})}[\mathbf{v}], \tag{4}$$

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{c}}\ell = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \widehat{\mathbf{h}}_{i}^{\top} - n \mathbb{E}_{\sim \mathbb{P}(\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{v})}[\mathbf{h}], \tag{5}$$

where
$$\hat{\mathbf{h}}_i \coloneqq \mathbb{E}_{\sim \mathbb{P}(\mathbf{h}|\mathbf{v}_i)}[\mathbf{h}]$$

Exact computation of MLE extremely difficult

- ► Should approximate instead!
- ► Negative sampling
 - Train iteratively but less ambitiously each iteration
 - Learn which outputs are wrong to avoid
 - ► Generate correct observations by avoiding negative samples

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1 Input: training data \{x_i\}_{i=1}^n
  2 Randomly initialize W, b, c
  3 while not converged do
                Sample a mini-batch \{v_1, \dots, v_m\} from
                   training dataset \{x_i\}_{i=1}^n (n.b. we may set
                    m = n
                // Gibbs sampling for each data point:
                Initialize \hat{v}_{i}^{(0)} \leftarrow v_{i} for all i \in \{1, ..., m\}
                for i from 1 to m do
  7
                         Algorithm 1 \leftarrow \hat{\boldsymbol{v}}_{i}^{(0)}
                          \{h_i\}_{i=1}^p, \{v_i\}_{i=1}^d \leftarrow \text{Last iteration of }
                           Algorithm 1
                         \tilde{h}_i \leftarrow [h_1, \dots, h_p]^\top
                         \tilde{\boldsymbol{v}}_i \leftarrow [v_1, \dots, v_d]^\top
                    \hat{h}_i \leftarrow \mathbb{E}_{\sim \mathbb{P}(h|n_i)}[h]
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               // gradients:
               \begin{split} & \nabla_{\boldsymbol{W}} \ell(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \leftarrow \sum_{i=1}^{m} \boldsymbol{v}_{i} \widehat{\boldsymbol{h}}_{i}^{\top} - \sum_{i=1}^{m} \widetilde{\boldsymbol{h}}_{i} \widetilde{\boldsymbol{v}}_{i}^{\top} \\ & \nabla_{\boldsymbol{b}} \ell(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \leftarrow \sum_{i=1}^{m} \boldsymbol{v}_{i} - \sum_{i=1}^{m} \widetilde{\boldsymbol{v}}_{i} \\ & \nabla_{\boldsymbol{c}} \ell(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \leftarrow \sum_{i=1}^{m} \widehat{\boldsymbol{h}}_{i} - \sum_{i=1}^{m} \widetilde{\boldsymbol{h}}_{i} \end{split}
               // gradient descent for updating solution:
                W \leftarrow W - \eta \nabla_W \ell(\theta)
                b \leftarrow b - \eta \nabla_b \ell(\theta)
               c \leftarrow c - \eta \nabla_c \ell(\theta)
21 Return W. b. c
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Figure: Training RBM using contrastive divergence

Stacking RBM Models

- Vanishing gradients typical problem before ReLu and dropout methods
 - Random initial weights unsuitable for backpropagation
 - RBM training yields good weight initialization
- Consider a neural network of ℓ layers with p_{ℓ} neurons in the ℓ -th layer:
 - Every 2 successive layers are considered as one RBM
 - Train using belief propagation (RBM training)
 - Network can get as deep as desired
 - ► Hence, referred to as Deep Belief Network

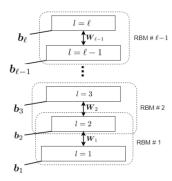


Figure: Pre-training a DBN by considering every pair of layers as an RBM.

Training a Deep Belief Network

- Training dataset used as the visible variable of the 1st pair of layers
 - Train weights and biases with algorithm 2
- Generate n hidden variables with Gibbs sampling
 - These will be visible variables in 2nd RBM
- Repeat process until all layer pairs are trained
 - Greedy approach to training
 - Produces good initialized weights and biases
- Fine-tune weights and biases using backpropagation

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Input: training data \{x_i\}_{i=1}^n
 2 // pre-training:
 3 for l from 1 to \ell-1 do
          if l = 1 then
               \{v_i\}_{i=1}^n \leftarrow \{x_i\}_{i=1}^n
               // generate n hidden variables of previous
                 RBM:
                \{h_i\}_{i=1}^n \leftarrow \text{Algorithm 1 for } (l-1)\text{-th}
                 RBM \leftarrow \{v_i\}_{i=1}^n
                \{v_i\}_{i=1}^n \leftarrow \{h_i\}_{i=1}^n
          W_l, b_l, b_{l+1} \leftarrow \text{Algorithm 2 for } l\text{-th RBM}
           \leftarrow \{v_i\}_{i=1}^n
11 // fine-tuning using backpropagation:
12 Initialize network with weights \{\boldsymbol{W}_l\}_{l=1}^{\ell-1} and
     biases \{b_l\}_{l=2}^{\ell}.
13 \{oldsymbol{W}_l\}_{l=1}^{\ell-1}, \{oldsymbol{b}_l\}_{l=1}^{\ell} \leftarrow Backpropagate the error
     of loss fro several epochs.
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Figure: Training a deep belief network

- Convolutional DBN
- Recurrent RBM
 - Handle temporal information of data
- Other energy-based models
 - Helmholtz machine
- Deep Boltzmann Machine (DBM)
 - Document processing
 - Face modeling

- Background of BM, RBM, and DBN
 - Boltzmann Distribution
 - Ising Model
 - Hopfield Network
- Overview of BM and RBM
 - Structure
 - Generating variables with Gibbs sampling
 - Training with contrastive divergence
- Overview of DBN
 - Stack of RBMs.
 - Pre-trained then fine-tuned.

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