## TTIC 31230 Fundamentals of Deep Learning

## Problems for Graphical Models.

**Problem 1. Pseudolikelihood of a one dimensional spin glass.** We let  $\hat{x}$  be an assignment of a value to every node where the nodes are numbered from 1 to  $N_{\text{nodes}}$  and for every node i we have  $\hat{x}[i] \in \{0,1\}$ . We define the score of  $\hat{x}$  by

$$f(\hat{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \mathbf{1}[\hat{x}[i] = \hat{x}[i+1]]$$

The probability distribution over assignments is defined by a softmax. We let  $\hat{x}[i:=v]$  be the assignment identical to  $\hat{x}$  except that node i is assigned the value v. The expression  $\hat{x}[i]=v$  is either true or false depending on whether no i is assigned value v in  $\hat{x}$ . So these are quite different.

$$P_f(\hat{x}) = \operatorname{softmax}_{\hat{x}} f(\hat{x})$$

Pseudolikelihood is defined in terms of the softmax probability  $P_f$  as follows.

$$\tilde{P}_f(\hat{x}) = \prod_i P_f(\hat{x}[i] \mid \hat{x} \setminus i)$$

What is the pseudolikelihood of the all ones assignment under the definition of f given above?

**Solution**: In a graphical model  $P_f(\hat{x}[i] \mid \hat{x}/i)$  is determined by the neighbors of i and we can consider only how a value is scored against it neighbors. For  $\hat{x}$  equal to all ones we have

$$f(\hat{x}) = N - 1$$

$$f(\hat{x}[i := 0]) \quad = \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} N - 3 & \text{for } 1 < i < N \\ N - 2 & \text{for } i = 1 \text{ or } i = N \end{array} \right.$$

For 1 < i < N we get

$$Q_f(\hat{x}[i=1] \mid \hat{x}/i) = \frac{e^{N-1}}{e^{N-1} + e^{N-3}}$$
$$= \frac{1}{1 + e^{-2}}$$

and for i = 1 or i = N we get

$$Q_f(\hat{x}[i=1] \mid \hat{x}/i) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-1}}$$

This gives

$$\tilde{Q}(\hat{x}) = (1 + e^{-1})^{-2} (1 + e^{-2})^{-(N-2)}$$

**Problem 2. Pseudolikelihood for images.** Consider a semantic segmentation  $\hat{y}[i]$  on pixels i with  $\hat{y}[i]$  a semantic class label in  $\{C_1, \ldots, C_K\}$ . We also assume a scoring function  $s_{\Phi}$  on semantic segmentations defining

$$P_{\Phi}(\hat{y}) = \operatorname{softmax}_{\hat{y}} s_{\Phi}(\hat{y})$$

Pseudolikelihood is defined by

$$\tilde{P}_{\Phi}(\hat{y}) = \prod_{i} P_{\Phi}(\hat{y}[i] \mid \hat{y} \setminus i)$$

where  $\hat{y}\setminus i$  assigns a class to every pixel other than i, and  $\hat{y}[i:=c]$  is the semantic segmentation identical to  $\hat{y}$  except that pixel i is labeled with semantic class c. In a typical graphical model for images we have

$$P_{\Phi}(\hat{y}[i] \mid \hat{y} \setminus i) = P_{\Phi}(\hat{y}[i] \mid \hat{y}[N(i)])$$

where  $\hat{y}[N(i)]$  is  $\hat{y}$  restricted to those pixels which are neighbors of pixel i.

(a) show

$$\frac{P_{\Phi}(\hat{y})}{\sum_{c} P_{\Phi}(\hat{y}[i:=c])} = \operatorname{softmax} s_{\Phi}(\hat{y}[i:=c]) \quad \text{evaluated at } c = y[i]$$

**Solution**:

$$\frac{P_{\Phi}(\hat{y})}{\sum_{c} P_{\Phi}(\hat{y}[i:=c])} = \frac{\frac{1}{Z} e^{s_{\Phi}(\hat{y})}}{\sum_{c} \frac{1}{Z} e^{s_{\Phi}(\hat{y}[i:=c])}}$$

$$= \frac{e^{s_{\Phi}(\hat{y})}}{\sum_{c} e^{s_{\Phi}(\hat{y}[i:=c])}}$$

$$= \operatorname{softmax}_{c} s_{\Phi}(\hat{y}[i:=c]) \text{ evaluated at } c = y[i]$$

(b) How many scores need to be computed in the worst case for computing  $P_{\Phi}(\hat{y})$ . Given the result of part (a), how many for computing  $\tilde{P}_{\Phi}(\hat{y})$ ?

**Solution**:  $K^N$  for  $P_{\Phi}$  and KN for  $\tilde{P}_{\Phi}$ .

(c) Consider a distribution on semantic segmentations where for each pixel the class assigned to that pixel is uniquely determined by the classes of its neighbors. Can this distribution be defined by a softmax over scores? Explain your answer.

**Solution**: No. Since  $e^s > 0$  for any finite s, all semantic segmentations must have nonzero probability.

(d) If  $P_{\Phi}$  is a distribution defined in some other way such that the class of each pixel is completely determined by the other pixels, given a simple expression for  $\tilde{P}_{\Phi}(\hat{y})$  in the case where  $\hat{y}$  has nonzero probability under  $P_{\Phi}$ .

**Solution**: We have  $P_{\Phi}(\hat{y}|\hat{y}\backslash i) = 1$  which implies  $\tilde{P}(\hat{y}) = 1$ .