

Acceptance probability.

$$\alpha = \frac{f(x_{t+1})}{f(x_t)} \cdot \frac{q(x_t | x_{t+1})}{q(x_{t+1} | x_t)}$$

Hastings Ratio.

Constr.

$$I = \int_a^b f(x) dx.$$

$$= \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{p(x)} p(x) dx$$

$$= \int_a^b f(x) p(x) dx$$

$$= (b-a) \int_a^b \underbrace{f(x) p(x)}_{\langle f \rangle} dx$$

$$= (b-a) \langle f \rangle$$

$$\int_a^b p(x) dx = 1.$$

$$p(x) \int_a^b dx = 1.$$

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{(b-a)}.$$

$$\bar{f} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N f(x_i).$$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \hat{I} = I.$$

$$\hat{I} = (b-a) \bar{f} = \frac{(b-a)}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N f(x_i).$$

$$\text{Var}(\hat{I}) = \text{Var}((b-a) \bar{f}) = (b-a)^2 \cdot \text{Var}(\bar{f}).$$

$$= (b-a)^2 \sigma_N^2$$

where  $\sigma_N$  std

$$\sigma \hat{I} = \sqrt{\text{Var} \hat{I}}$$

$$\text{std} = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^N (f(x_i) - \bar{f})^2$$

$$= \frac{(b-a) \sigma_N}{\sqrt{N}}.$$

and

However  
Therefore.

# Monte Carlo Integration

importance sampling.  
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## Importance Sampling

Book.  $I = \int_a^b f(x) dx.$

PDF.

$$I = (b-a) \langle f(x) \rangle$$

$\langle f(x) \rangle$  unweighted average.

$(b-a)$  length of interval.

$$I \approx \frac{(b-a)}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N f(x_i).$$

$$\langle f(x) \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N f(x_i).$$

Importance sampling is when a function is weighted, achieved better estimate with fewer points.

~~or  $f(x)$~~

$$x = g(y)$$

$$I = \int_a^b dx w(x) \frac{f(x)}{w(x)}$$

$$\frac{dx}{dy} = g'(y).$$

(3.1.5)

$$I = \int_a^b du \frac{f(x(u))}{w(x(u))}$$

(3.1.6)

$$I \approx \frac{1}{L} \sum_{i=1}^L \frac{f(x(u_i))}{w(x(u_i))}$$

$w(x)$  prob density.

$$u(0)=0, u(1)=1$$

$$I = \int_a^b f(x) dx = \int_{g^{-1}(a)}^{g^{-1}(b)} f(g(y)) \frac{dx}{dy} dy$$

$$= \int_{g^{-1}(a)}^{g^{-1}(b)} f(g(y)) g'(y) dy.$$

$$y \in [g^{-1}(a), g^{-1}(b)].$$

$$I \approx \frac{g^{-1}(b) - g^{-1}(a)}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N f(g(y_i)) g'(y_i)$$

$$I = \int_a^b f(x) dx \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{f(x_i)}{p(x_i)}$$

$p(x)$  prob distribution.

$$I = \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

$$\langle f(x) \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N f(x_i)$$

$$I = (b-a) \langle f(x) \rangle$$

$$I \approx \frac{(b-a)}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N f(x_i)$$

OG MC.

$$x = g(y)$$

$$\frac{dx}{dy} = g'(y)$$

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \int_{g^{-1}(a)}^{g^{-1}(b)} f(g(y)) \frac{dx}{dy} dy$$

$$= \int_{g^{-1}(a)}^{g^{-1}(b)} f(g(y)) g'(y) dy$$

$$I \approx \frac{g^{-1}(b) - g^{-1}(a)}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N f(g(y_i)) g'(y_i)$$

$$E_p[f(x)] = \int f(x) p(x) dx$$

$$I = \int_a^b f(x) dx = \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{p(x)} p(x) dx$$

$$I = E_p \left[ \frac{f(x)}{p(x)} \right]$$

$$I \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \frac{f(x_i)}{p(x_i)}$$

or instead of uniform prob dist choose  $x$  with any prob dist  $p(x)$ .

$$\therefore I \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{f(x_i)}{p(x_i)} \quad p(x) \text{ prob dist } \int p(x) dx = 1$$

$u(x)$  not normalised,  $w(x)$  weighting func.

$$p(x) = \frac{u(x)}{\int u(x) dx} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} I \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{f(x_i)}{u(x_i)} \int u(x_i) dx \\ \text{normalising} \end{array} \right.$$

rewrite using prob density  $u(x)$

$$I = \int \frac{f(x)}{u(x)} u(x) dx$$

where derivative of  $u(x)$ ,  $u(0)=0$ ,  $u(1)=1$   
implies  $u(x)$  normalised.

$$I = \int \frac{f(x(u))}{u(x(u))} du \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{generate } L \text{ random values of } u \\ \text{uniformly distributed } \in [0,1] \\ I \approx \frac{1}{L} \sum_{i=1}^L \frac{f(x(u_i))}{u(x(u_i))} \end{array} \right.$$



Weighted average of function of random variable

$E_{p_0}[h(x)] = \int h(x) p_0(x) dx$

- 1) Can't sample from  $p_0$
- 2) Inefficient to sample from  $p_0$

3)  $p_0$  is not normalized

$p_0(x) = \frac{\tilde{p}_0(x)}{Z}$  can't compute.

$E_{p_0}[h(x)] = \int h(x) \frac{p_0(x)}{p_0(x)} p_0(x) dx$

probabilities are

$E_{q\phi}[h'(x)] = \int h(x) \frac{p_0(x)}{q\phi(x)} q\phi(x) dx$

Sampling (probability distribution) is now  $q\phi$ .

swapped places.

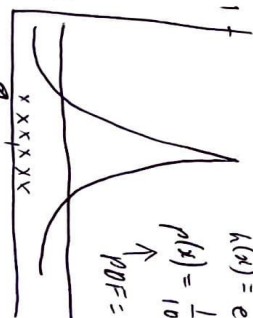
Likelihood Ratio (Importance weight).

$E_{q\phi}[h(x) \frac{p_0(x)}{q\phi(x)}] \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N h(x_i) \frac{p_0(x_i)}{q\phi(x_i)}$

How to choose  $q\phi$ ?

$E_{p_0}[h(x)] = \sum_{i=1}^N h(x_i) p_0(x_i)$

$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N h(x_i) \approx E_{p_0}[h(x)]$



"Region of Importance"

$\int_0^{10} e^{-1/2(x-5)^2} dx = 1 - \frac{1}{e^{10}} \approx 0.99995$

$\approx \frac{1}{10} \int_0^{10} e^{-1/2(x-5)^2} \frac{1}{10} dx$

$\approx \frac{1}{10} \sum_{i=1}^N h(x_i) p(x_i) dx_i$

$h'(x) = h(x) \frac{p_0(x)}{q\phi(x)}$

$\approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N h(x_i) x_i \sim U(0,10)$

Standard MC.

$q(x)$  should be chosen st. it helps in sampling from a region of importance.

$q(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-5)^2}{2}}$   $x \sim N(5,1)$

$\int_0^{10} e^{-1/2(x-5)^2} dx$

$\approx \int_0^{10} h(x) p(x) dx$

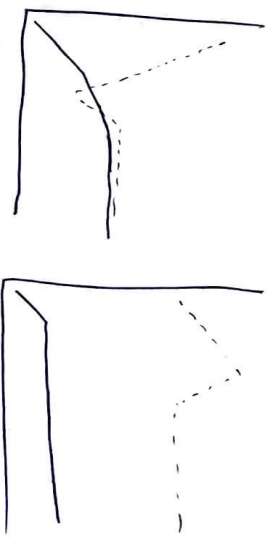
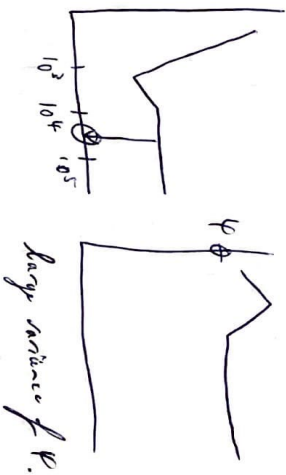
$\approx \int_0^{10} h(x) \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} q(x) dx$

$\approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N h(x_i) \frac{p(x_i)}{q(x_i)}$

Law of large Numbers.

Wiki

The average of the results obtained from a large no. of trials should be close to the expected value and will tend to become closer to the expected value as more trials are performed!



Emphasize that the region of importance depends on the problem, for this problem it was in the middle of the function  $h(x)$ . However, for another problem the region of importance could have been somewhere else eg LHS, RHS.

## Importance Sampling in Statistical Physics.

States are weighted by a prob but depends on  
 $e^{-\beta E_i}$ , Boltzmann factor. state energy  $E_i$   
inverse temp  $\beta = \frac{1}{kT}$ .

normalised prob func for each energy state.

$$P_B(E_i) = \frac{e^{-\beta E_i}}{Z}$$

where  $Z = \sum_i e^{-\beta E_i}$  partition function.

[Want to Calculate expectation value for a quantity  
for a system that is in thermal equilibrium  
at temp  $T$ .]

Expectation value of a physical quantity  $X$  that  
depends on the state is

$$\langle X \rangle = \sum_i P_B(E_i) X_i$$

MCMC

Markov Chain MC.

Boltzmann factor

$$e^{-\beta E_i}$$

state energy  $E_i$

inverse temperature  $\beta = \frac{1}{kT}$

normalised prob func. for each energy state.

$$P_B(E_i) = \frac{e^{-\beta E_i}}{Z}$$

$$Z \equiv \sum_i e^{-\beta E_i} \quad \text{partition function}$$

Could weight by  $P_B(E_i)$ , but this involves knowing the partition function. A work around is to generate a series of energy values with distribution consistent with a Boltzmann distribution without knowing or computing the partition function. This motivates our next topic, Markov chains.

Motivation +

Conclusion:

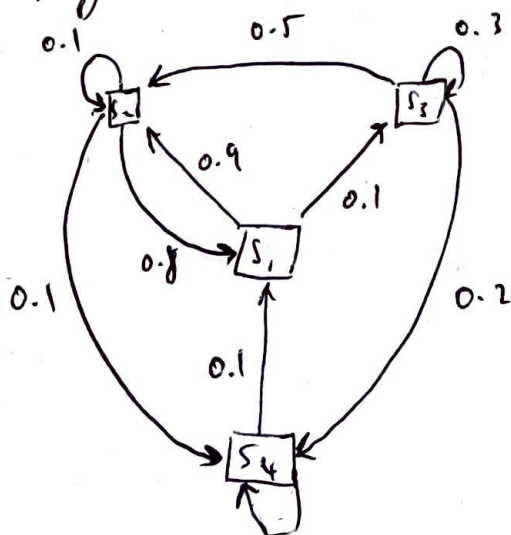
- Multidimensional
- Boltzmann
- Quantum.



output1, output2, ... = function(input1, input2, ...)

importance sampling  $\rightarrow$  occurrence of one sample has no impact on the chances of occurrence of another sample.

Independent Sampling.



$$\bar{\pi} = \begin{bmatrix} P(x_0 = s_1) \\ P(x_0 = s_2) \\ P(x_0 = s_3) \\ P(x_0 = s_4) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\pi}_1 \\ \bar{\pi}_2 \\ \bar{\pi}_3 \\ \bar{\pi}_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P(x_0 = i) = \bar{\pi}_i \quad [P(x_0 = s_N)] = [\bar{\pi}_N]$$

to  $x_{t+1}$ .

$$\begin{matrix} & s_1 & s_2 & s_3 & s_4 \\ \begin{matrix} s_1 \\ s_2 \\ s_3 \\ s_4 \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0.9 & 0.1 & 0 \\ 0.8 & 0.1 & 0 & 0.1 \\ 0 & 0.5 & 0.5 & 0.2 \\ 0.1 & 0 & 0 & 0.9 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$\odot P(x_{t+1} = s_1 | x_t = s_3) = 0.5$$

$$\square P(x_{t+1} = s_4 | x_t = s_2) = 0.1$$

$$P(x_{t+1} = j | x_t = i) = p_{ij}$$

$\uparrow$  column       $\uparrow$  row.

$x_t$

from

Transition probabilities form a 2 dimensional

start single position  $\pi_0 = (0.0.0.1.0 \dots)$

stochastic matrix

After one step, new distribution of probabilities

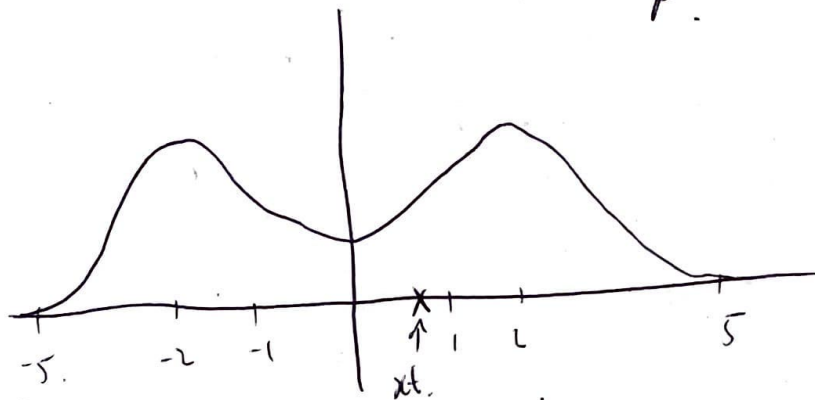
becomes new vector of probabilities  $\pi_1 = \pi_0 P$

$$P(x_t = j | x_0 = i) = P(x_{n+t} = j | x_n = i) = (P^t)_{ij} \quad \text{for any } n.$$

$$\pi_1 = \pi_0 P \quad \begin{pmatrix} \dots \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

$\bar{\pi}$   $P$

lecture notes for stats 325  
Fewster.



add some  
random perturbation.

posterior distribution.

$f(x)$

$$X \sim 0.5 \cdot N(-2, 1) + 0.5 \cdot N(2, 1)$$

$$x_t = 0.6$$

$$x_{t+1} = x_t + N(0, \sigma^2)$$

step size.

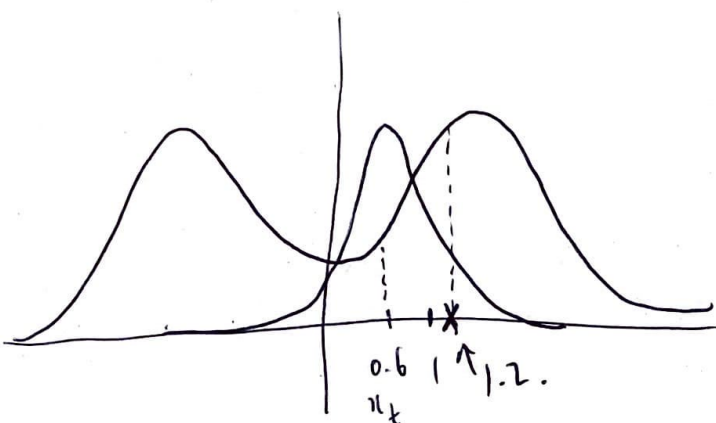
$$x_{t+1} \sim N(x_t, \sigma^2)$$

$$q(x_{t+1} | x_t)$$

$$x_{t+1} \sim N(x_t, 0.4)$$

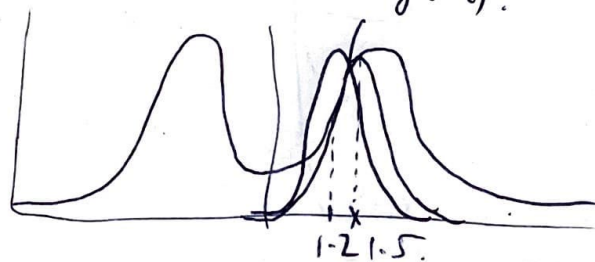
standard deviation

$$\alpha = \frac{f(x_{t+1})}{f(x_t)}$$



$$u \sim U(0, 1)$$

if  $\alpha > u$   
move to proposed sample  
else  
stay at current sample



Acceptance Criterion (Move).

Proposal function doing job of transition matrix  
MCMC methods  $\rightarrow$  transition kernel.  
 $\uparrow$  continuous.

$$\text{storage} = [0.6]$$

if we move

$$\text{storage} = [0.6, 1.2]$$

else

$$\text{storage} = [0.6, 0.6]$$

- step size

- how many samples

serious challenges to generate stationary Markov Chain.

No guarantee you would have approximated the target distribution.