

Sorbonne Université, Computer Science Master Données, Apprentissage et Connaissances (DAC) Bayesian Deep Learning

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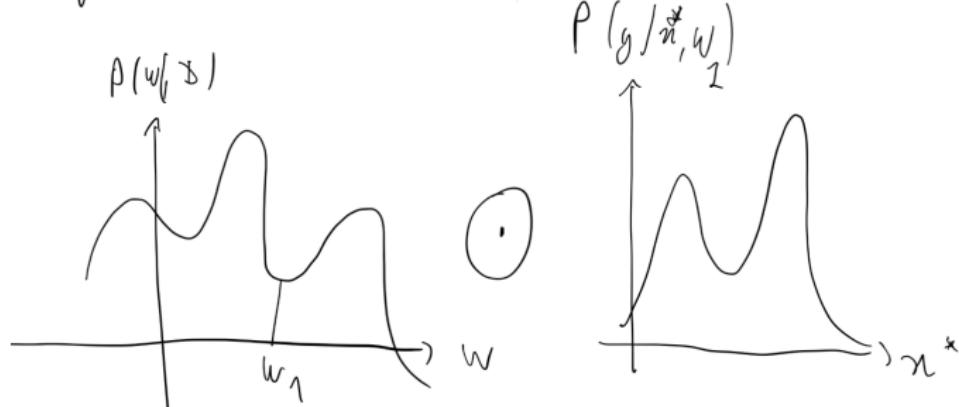
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- **Closed form for posterior $p(\mathbf{w}|\mathcal{D})$ and predictive distribution $p(y|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathcal{D})$: more the exception than the rule!**
- Slightly more complicated models : no closed form solution
 - ▶ Bayesian Logistic Regression
 - ▶ Simplest linear classification model
 - ▶ Likelihood not Gaussian
 - ▶ Neural network with one hidden layer in general
 - ▶ No closed form for regression and classification
 - ▶ And of course deep neural networks

Approximate Inference

No analytical expression for posterior $p(\mathbf{w}|\mathcal{D})$ and $p(y|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathcal{D})$ in general

⇒ Approximation needed!

- Gaussian approximation for $p(\mathbf{w}|\mathcal{D})$
 - ▶ Ex: Laplace approximation [MacKay, 1992]
 - ▶ Historically used for bayesian logistic regression
- Monte Carlo methods: sampling to directly evaluate integral $p(y|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathcal{D})$
 - ▶ Metropolis-Hastings, Hamiltonian Monte Carlo [Neal, 1996], Expectation propagation [Hernandez-Lobato and Adams, 2015, Jyläniemi et al., 2014]
- Variational inference [Hinton and van Camp, 1993, Graves, 2011, Blundell et al., 2015]: convert integration into optimization
 - ▶ Minimize KL divergence between $p(\mathbf{w}|\mathcal{D})$ and a proposed parametric function

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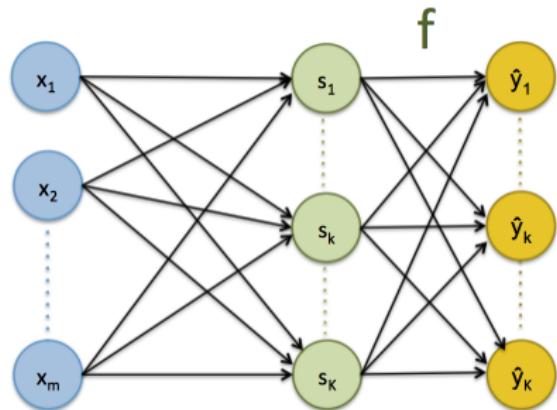
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Bayesian Logistic Regression (BLR)



- $s_i = \mathbf{w}x_i$
- Multi-class: $p(\mathbf{y}_i|\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w}) = \hat{\mathbf{y}}_i$
 - ▶ $\hat{y}_{i,k} = \frac{\exp(s_i)}{\sum_k \exp(s_k)}$
- Binary case: $p(\mathbf{y}_i = 1|\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w}) = \sigma(s_i)$
 - ▶ σ sigmoid
 - ▶ $p(\mathbf{y}_i = -1|\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w}) = 1 - \sigma(s_i)$

$$p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) \propto p(\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{w})p(\mathbf{w})$$

- $p(\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{w}) = \prod_{i=1}^N p(\mathbf{y}_i = 1|\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w})$ not Gaussian anymore!
- ⇒ no closed-form on posterior distribution $p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})$!

Bayesian Logistic Regression training (MAP)

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{w}_{\text{MAP}} &= \arg \max_{\mathbf{w}} p(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{w}) p(\mathbf{w}) = \arg \max_{\mathbf{w}} \prod_{n=1}^N p(y_n | \mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{w}) p(\mathbf{w}) \\ &= \arg \min_{\mathbf{w}} \sum_{n=1}^N -\log(p(y_n | \mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{w})) - \log(p(\mathbf{w}))\end{aligned}$$

- Gaussian prior: $p(\mathbf{w}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w}; \mathbf{0}, \sigma_0^2 \mathbf{I})$;
- MAP BLR training with binary prediction:

$$\mathbf{w}_{\text{MAP}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{w}} \sum_{n=1}^N \left(-y_n \log \sigma(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_n + b) - (1 - y_n) \log(1 - \sigma(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_n + b)) + \frac{1}{2\sigma_0^2} \|\mathbf{w}\|_2^2 \right)$$

- Again: Gaussian prior \Leftrightarrow weight decay

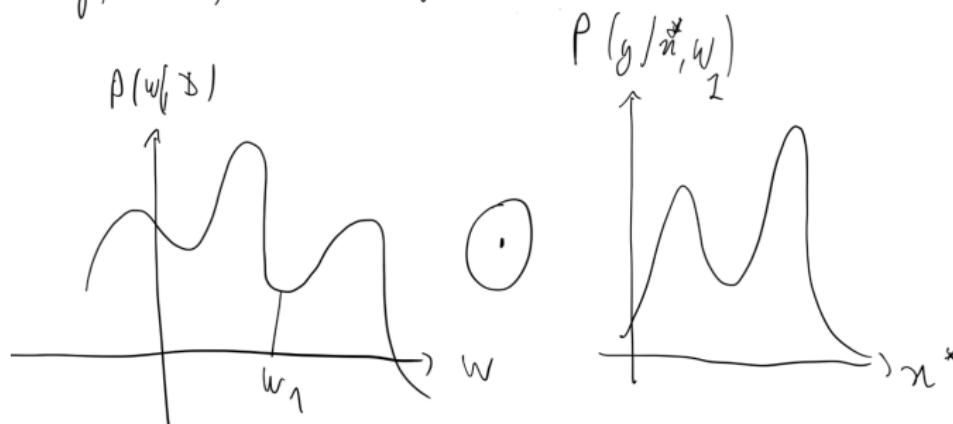
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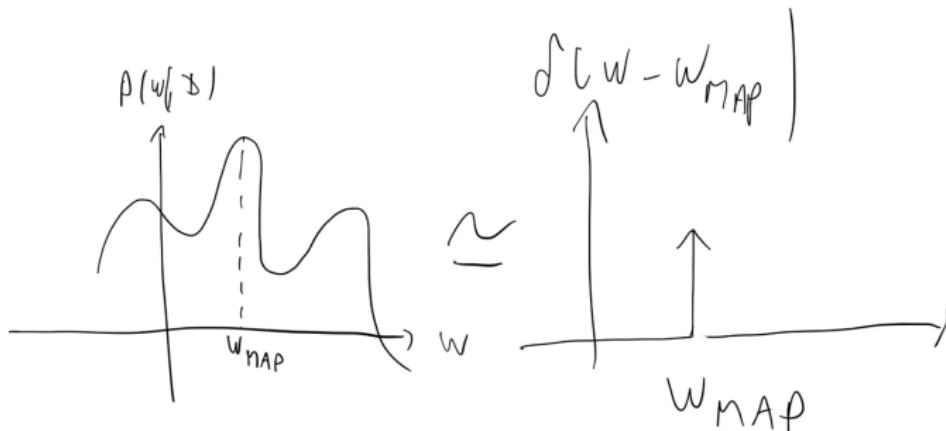
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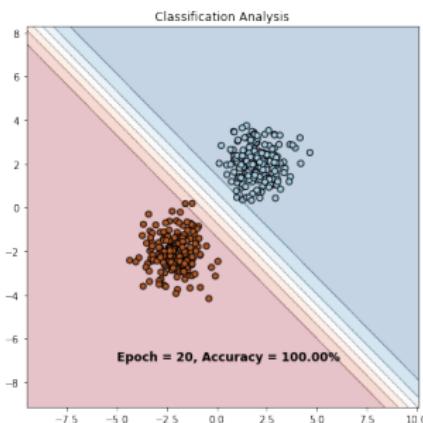
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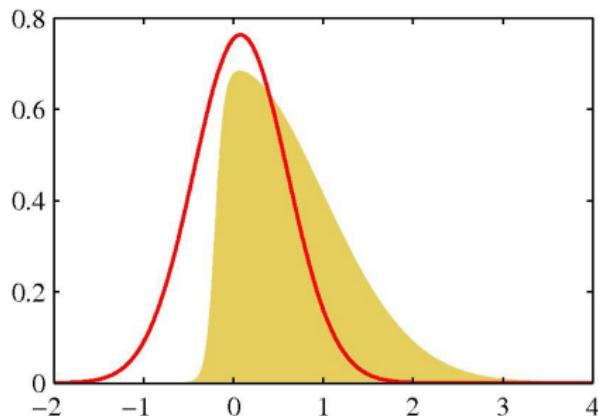
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- $p(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) \approx \delta(\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{w}_{\text{MAP}})$: very coarse approximation:
- Uncertainty does not increase far from training data
- Need for more accurate approximations

Laplace Approximation for $p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})$

- Approximate $p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})$ by a normal distribution $q(\mathbf{w}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w}; \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$
- Fit the mean $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ of $q(\mathbf{w})$ to the mode of $p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})$
 - ▶ Mode of $p(\mathbf{w}) \Rightarrow \nabla_{\mathbf{w}} p(\mathbf{w}) = 0$
 - ▶ In practice, maximize log posterior (e.g. gradient ascent) \Rightarrow MAP: $\boldsymbol{\mu} = \mathbf{w}_{MAP}$
- Fit the inverse covariance $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}$ of $q(\mathbf{w})$ to the Hessian of $p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})$ at $\boldsymbol{\mu} = \mathbf{w}_{MAP}$: $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} = \nabla \nabla_{\mathbf{w}} p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})|_{\mathbf{w}=\mathbf{w}_{MAP}}$



from [Bishop, 2006]

- Laplace limitation: approximation at a single value of $p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})$, ignores global properties

Predictive Distribution $p(y|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathcal{D})$ for BLR

RECAP, with $\mathcal{D} = \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}$:

$$p(y|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathcal{D}) = \int p(y|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{w})p(\mathbf{w}|\mathcal{D})d\mathbf{w}$$

- Posterior approximation by normal $p(\mathbf{w}|\mathcal{D}) \approx q(\mathbf{w}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w}; \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$:

$$p(y|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathcal{D}) \approx \int p(y|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{w})q(\mathbf{w})d\mathbf{w}$$

- However, likelihood $p(y|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathcal{D})$ still not Gaussian
⇒ **Intractable posterior distribution** $p(y|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathcal{D})$!

Predictive Distribution $p(y|x^*, \mathcal{D})$ for BLR

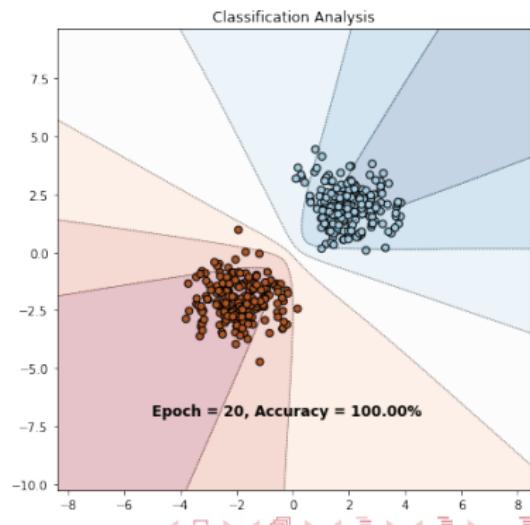
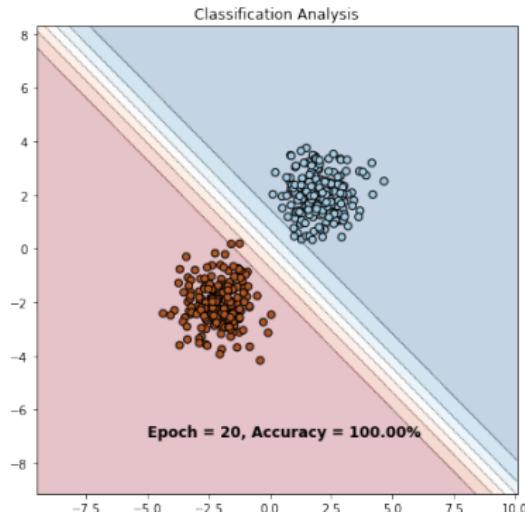
- Option 1: use Monte Carlo (MC) sampling

- ▶ Binary case (simple x-class extension): $p(y = 1|x^*, \mathbf{w}) = \sigma(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^*)$, σ sigmoid

$$p(y = 1|x^*, \mathcal{D}) \approx \sum_{s=1}^S \sigma\left((\mathbf{w}^s)^T \mathbf{x}^*\right) \quad \mathbf{w}^s \sim q(\mathbf{w}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w}; \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$$

- ▶ Easy to sample from Gaussian $q(\mathbf{w})$

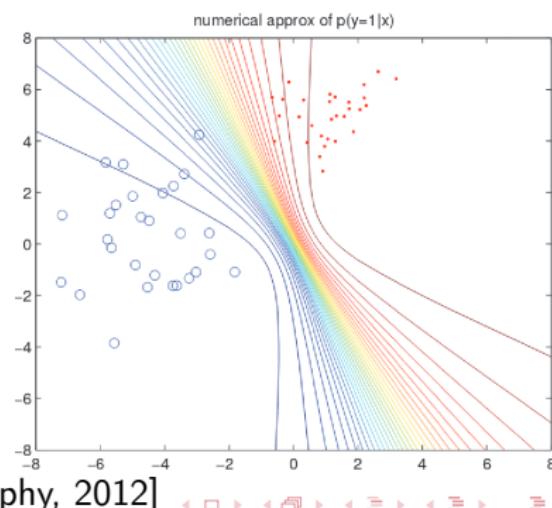
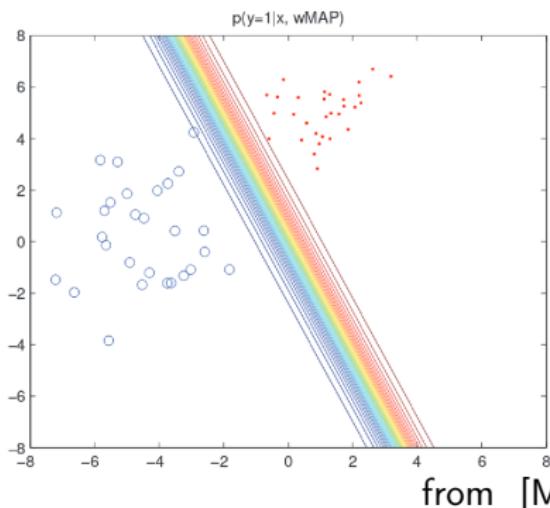
- **Practical session:** MAP solution for LR vs BLR (Laplace & MC sampling)



Predictive Distribution $p(y|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathcal{D})$ for BLR

- $p(y|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathcal{D}) \approx \int p(y|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{w})q(\mathbf{w})d\mathbf{w}$ intractable
- **Option 2:** (binary case): $p(y|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathcal{D}) \approx \int \sigma(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^*)q(\mathbf{w})d\mathbf{w}$; $q(\mathbf{w}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w}; \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$
- Convolution of sigmoid with Gaussian still intractable
 - ▶ Approximate $\sigma(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^*)$ by probit: $\sigma(a) \approx \Phi(\lambda a)$, $\lambda^2 = \pi/8$
 - ▶ Convolution of probit with Gaussian \Rightarrow probit:

$$p(y|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathcal{D}) \approx \int \Phi(\lambda \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^*) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w}; \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) d\mathbf{w} = \Phi\left(\frac{\mu_f}{\sqrt{\lambda^{-2} + \sigma_f^2}}\right) \quad \mu_f = \boldsymbol{\mu}^T \mathbf{x}^* \quad \sigma_f^2 = \mathbf{x}^{*T} \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{x}^*$$



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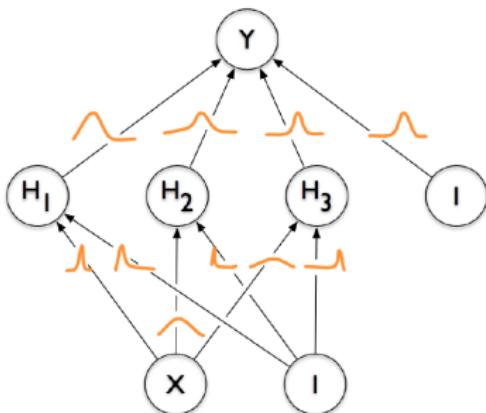
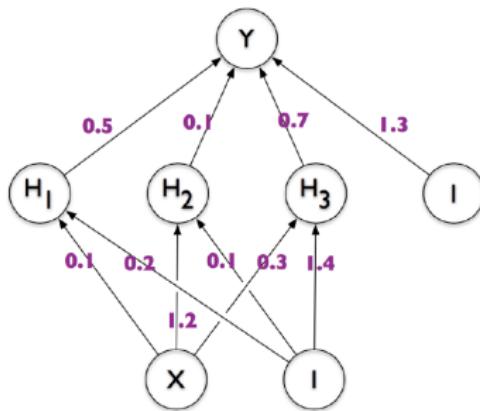
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Bayesian Neural Networks (BNN)



Credit: [Blundell et al., 2015]

- Standard NN: $\mathbf{y}_i = f^{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{x}_i)$, Bayesian NN: $p(\mathbf{y}_i|\mathbf{x}_i, \mathcal{D})$
 - ▶ Define prior over weights, e.g. $p(\mathbf{w}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w}|0, \alpha^{-1}\mathcal{I})$ (point estimate for bias)
 - ▶ In practice, typically separate variance $\sigma^2 = \alpha^{-1}$ for each layer
 - ▶ Define likelihood, $p(\mathbf{y}_i|\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w})$, e.g. for regression $p(\mathbf{y}_i|\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{y}_i; f^{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{x}_i), \beta^{-1})$
 - ▶ **Goal:** compute posterior $p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) = \prod_{i=1}^N p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}_i, \beta) \propto p(\mathbf{w}) \prod_{i=1}^N p(\mathbf{y}_i|\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w})$

Bayesian Neural Networks (BNN)

$$p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) \propto p(\mathbf{w}) \prod_{i=1}^N p(y_i|x_i, \mathbf{w})$$

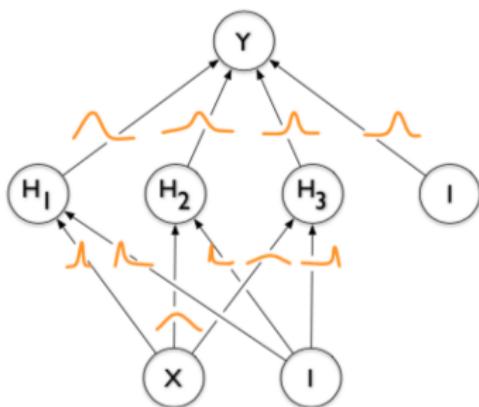
- With Bayesian Neural networks, even with:

- Gaussian prior $p(\mathbf{w}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{0}, \alpha^{-1}\mathcal{I})$
- Gaussian likelihood, e.g. regression $p(y_i|x_i, \mathbf{w}) = \mathcal{N}(y_i; f^{\mathbf{w}}(x_i), \beta^{-1})$
- Posterior $p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}, \beta) \propto p(\mathbf{w}) \prod_{i=1}^N p(y_i|x_i, \mathbf{w})$ is NOT Gaussian!!

- Non-linear dependence of $f^{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{x})$ on \mathbf{w} !

- RECAP:

- $p(x) = \mathcal{N}(x|\mu_x, \Sigma_x)$
- $p(y|x) = \mathcal{N}(y|Ax + b, \Sigma_y)$
 - Linear dependence $Ax + b$ required
- Then: $p(x|y) = \mathcal{N}(x|\mu_{x|y}, \Sigma_{x|y})$
 - Not true for BNNs!



Credit: [Blundell et al., 2015]

Posterior Inference: MCMC Carlo Sampling

The true predictive distribution $p(y|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathcal{D})$ cannot be evaluated analytically

$$p(y|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathcal{D}) = \int p(y|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{w})p(\mathbf{w}|\mathcal{D})d\mathbf{w}$$

- Monte Carlo estimation of the integral:

$$p(y|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathcal{D}) \approx \frac{1}{S} \sum_{s=1}^S p(y|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{w}^s) \quad \mathbf{w}^s \sim p(\mathbf{w}|\mathcal{D})$$

- Can't sample exactly from $p(\mathbf{w}|\mathcal{D})$, **BUT approximate sampling using Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) possible !**
 - ▶ Metropolis-Hastings (MH), Hamiltonian Monte Carlo (HMC) [Neal, 1996]
- **Works well, accurate posterior inference in BNNs**
- **Main drawback: does not scale to large datasets**
 - ▶ Computing likelihood for MH/HMC acceptance step requires the whole dataset

Variational Inference (VI)

The true posterior $p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})$ cannot usually be evaluated analytically

- Defining an **approximating variational distribution** $q_\theta(\mathbf{w})$, parameterized by θ
- Minimizing its KL divergence with the true posterior:**

$$KL(q_\theta(\mathbf{w}) \| p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})) = \int q_\theta(\mathbf{w}) \log \frac{q_\theta(\mathbf{w})}{p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})} d\mathbf{w}$$

- Computing approximate predictive distribution:** $p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) \Leftarrow q_{\theta^*}(\mathbf{w})$:

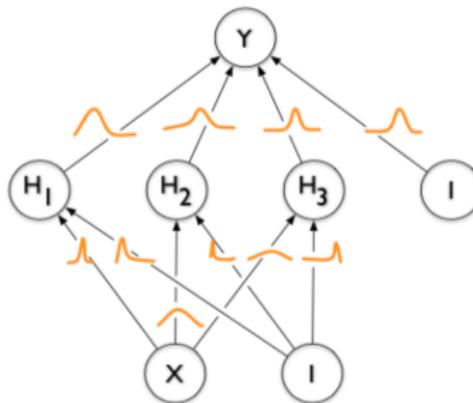
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Variational Inference (VI)

- Recap: BNN prior, e.g. Gaussian: $p(\mathbf{w}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w}|0, \alpha^{-1}\mathcal{I})$
- **Variational approximate posterior** $q_\theta(\mathbf{w})$, e.g. fully factorized Gaussian:

$$q_\theta(\mathbf{w}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w}|\theta) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w}|\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) = \prod_{i=1}^D \mathcal{N}(w_i|\mu_i, \sigma_i)$$

- Each weight of the network w_j has its own mean μ_j and variance σ_j
 - ▶ $\theta = \{(\mu_j, \sigma_j)\}_{j \in \{1; D\}}$: **variational parameters**



Credit: [Blundell et al., 2015]

Variational Inference (VI): ELBO

$$\begin{aligned} KL(q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w}) \| p(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})) &= \int q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w}) \log \frac{q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w})}{p(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})} d\mathbf{w} = - \int q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w}) \log \frac{p(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})}{q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w})} d\mathbf{w} \\ &= - \int q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w}) \log \frac{p(\mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{w}) p(\mathbf{w})}{q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w}) p(\mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{X})} d\mathbf{w} \\ &= - \int q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w}) \log p(\mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{w}) d\mathbf{w} + \int q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w}) \log \frac{q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w})}{p(\mathbf{w})} + \log p(\mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{X}) \\ &= - \int q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w}) \log p(\mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{w}) d\mathbf{w} + KL(q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w}) \| p(\mathbf{w})) + \log p(\mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{X}) \end{aligned}$$

- $\Rightarrow KL(q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w}) \| p(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})) = -\mathcal{L}_{VI}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}, \theta) + \log p(\mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{X})$

► $\mathcal{L}_{VI}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}, \theta)$: Evidence Lower Bound (ELBO)

$$\mathcal{L}_{VI}(\theta) = \int q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w}) \log p(\mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{w}) d\mathbf{w} - KL(q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w}) \| p(\mathbf{w}))$$

► $\mathcal{L}_{VI}(\theta) = \log p(\mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{X}) - KL(q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w}) \| p(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})) \leq \log p(\mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{X})$

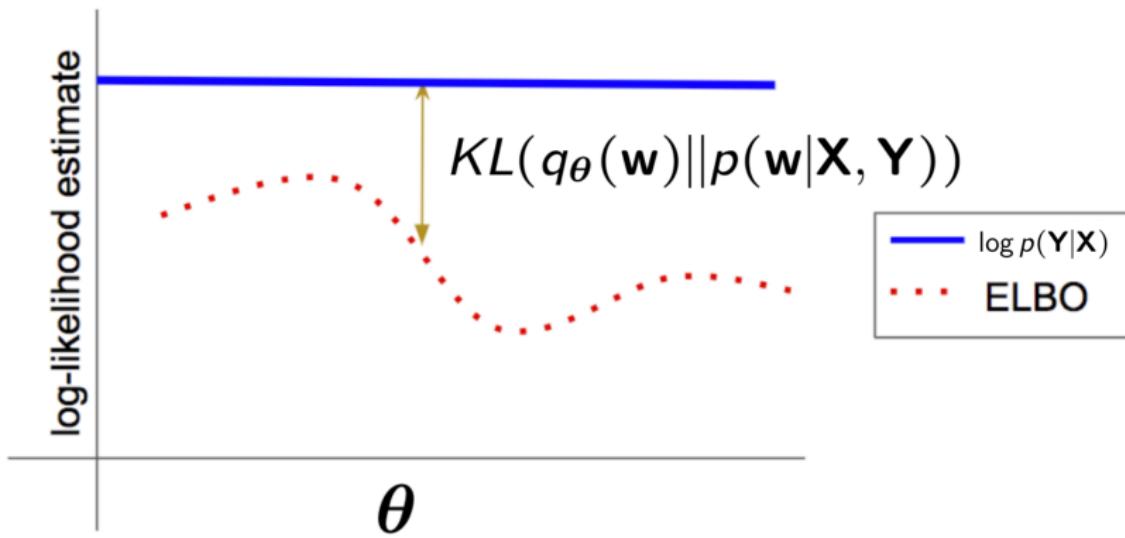
$$p(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{w}) p(\mathbf{w})}{p(\mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{X})}$$

ELBO Illustration

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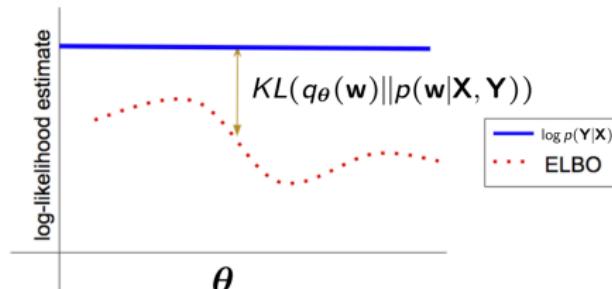


Variational Inference (VI): ELBO

- $\mathcal{L}_{VI}(\theta) = \log p(\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}) - KL(q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w})||p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}))$
- \Rightarrow Minimizing $KL(q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w})||p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})) \Leftrightarrow$ maximizing $\mathcal{L}_{VI}(\theta)$ w.r.t $q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w})$:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{VI}(\theta) &= \int q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w}) \log p(\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{w}) d\mathbf{w} - KL(q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w})||p(\mathbf{w})) \leq \log p(\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}) \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w})}[\log p(\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{w})] - KL(q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w})||p(\mathbf{w})) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^N \int q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w}) \log p(\mathbf{y}_i|f^{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{x}_i)) d\mathbf{w} - KL(q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w})||p(\mathbf{w}))\end{aligned}$$

- **Exp. log likelihood** $\mathbb{E}_{q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w})}[\log p(\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{w})]$: max $\Leftrightarrow q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w})$ explain data well
- **Prior KL** $KL(q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w})||p(\mathbf{w}))$: min $\Leftrightarrow q_{\theta}(\mathbf{w})$ as close as possible to $p(\mathbf{w})$ prior



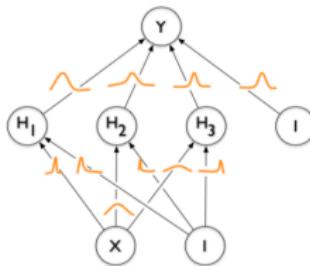
Variational Inference: Training

- Variational Bayesian NN training: computing derivates of \mathcal{L}_{VI} w.r.t variational parameters θ

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- RECAP: approximate variational posterior, e.g. fully factorize Gaussian:

$$q_\theta(\mathbf{w}) = \prod_{i=1}^D \mathcal{N}(w_i | \mu_j, \sigma_j)$$



- **Prior KL** $KL(q_\theta(\mathbf{w}) || p(\mathbf{w}))$: often can be integrated analytically, e.g. with Gaussian functions for prior $p(\mathbf{w})$ and posterior approximation $q_\theta(\mathbf{w})$
- **Expected log likelihood** $\mathbb{E}_{q_\theta(\mathbf{w})}[\log p(\mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{w})]$: no close-form solution in general, requires tractable calculations over the entire dataset
⇒ estimation by sampling

Stochastic Variational Inference (VI): Training

$$\mathcal{L}_{VI}(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^N \int q_\theta(\mathbf{w}) \log p(\mathbf{y}_i | f^\mathbf{w}(\mathbf{x}_i)) d\mathbf{w} - KL(q_\theta(\mathbf{w}) || p(\mathbf{w}))$$

- **Scalable gradient computation: batch sampling** [Graves, 2011]
 - ▶ \mathcal{L}_{VI} linearly decomposes into training examples, unbiased gradient estimator
- **Modern solutions: approximate integral with MC integration** $\hat{\mathbf{w}}_i \sim q_\theta(\mathbf{w})$
 - ▶ Sample $\log p(\mathbf{y}_i | f^{\hat{\mathbf{w}}_i}(\mathbf{x}_i))$, $\hat{\mathbf{w}}_i \sim q_\theta(\mathbf{w})$

$$\mathcal{L}_{VI}(\theta) = \sum_{i \in S} \log p(\mathbf{y}_i | f^{\hat{\mathbf{w}}_i}(\mathbf{x}_i)) - KL(q_\theta(\mathbf{w}) || p(\mathbf{w}))$$

- Issue: computing gradient wrt variational parameters $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log p(\mathbf{y}_i | f^{\hat{\mathbf{w}}_i}(\mathbf{x}_i))$
- **Problem: sampling $\hat{\mathbf{w}}_i \sim q_\theta(\mathbf{w})$ depends on variational parameters θ**
 - ▶ Solution, easy cases: re-parametrization $\mathbf{w} = g(\theta, \epsilon)$
 - ▶ Where g deterministic and ϵ independent of θ - As in VAE [Kingma and Welling, 2014]
 - ▶ Crucial point: sampling fully in ϵ , independent of θ
 - ▶ Gaussian ex: $\theta = \{\theta_j\}$, $\theta_j = (\mu_j, \sigma_j)$: $\hat{\mathbf{w}}_j \sim \mathcal{N}(w_j | \mu_j, \sigma_j)$
 - ▶ $w_j = g((\mu_j, \sigma_j), \epsilon_j) = \mu_j + \sigma_j \epsilon_j$: $\hat{\mathbf{w}}_j \sim \mathcal{N}(w_j | \mu_j, \sigma_j) \Leftrightarrow \hat{\epsilon}_j \sim \mathcal{N}(\epsilon_j | 0, 1)$

$$\mathcal{L}_{VI}(\theta) = \sum_{i \in S} \log p(\mathbf{y}_i | f^{g(\theta, \hat{\epsilon}_i)}(\mathbf{x}_i)) - KL(q_\theta(\mathbf{w}) || p(\mathbf{w}))$$

Stochastic Variational Inference (VI): Training

Algorithm 1 Minimise divergence between $q_\theta(\omega)$ and $p(\omega|X, Y)$

- 1: Given dataset \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y} ,
 - 2: Define learning rate schedule η ,
 - 3: Initialise parameters θ randomly.
 - 4: **repeat**
 - 5: Sample M random variables $\hat{\epsilon}_i \sim p(\epsilon)$, S a random subset of $\{1, \dots, N\}$ of size M .
 - 6: Calculate stochastic derivative estimator w.r.t. θ :
$$\widehat{\Delta\theta} \leftarrow -\frac{N}{M} \sum_{i \in S} \frac{\partial}{\partial\theta} \log p(\mathbf{y}_i | \mathbf{f}^{g(\theta, \hat{\epsilon}_i)}(\mathbf{x}_i)) + \frac{\partial}{\partial\theta} \text{KL}(q_\theta(\omega) || p(\omega)).$$
 - 7: Update θ :
$$\theta \leftarrow \theta + \eta \widehat{\Delta\theta}.$$
 - 8: **until** θ has converged.
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Bayesian Neural Networks: Predictive Distribution

- Gaussian approximation of posterior $q_\theta(\mathbf{w}) \approx p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})$ e.g. VI or Laplace
- Predictive distribution: $p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathcal{D}) \approx \int p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{w}) q_\theta(\mathbf{w}) d\mathbf{w}$
- **Even with $q_\theta(\mathbf{w})$ Gaussian, no closed-form for $p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathcal{D})$!**
 - ▶ Again due to non-linear dependence of $y(\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{w})$ wrt \mathbf{w}

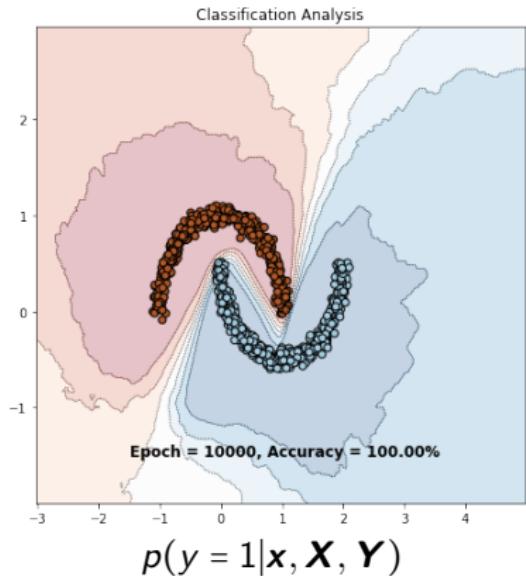
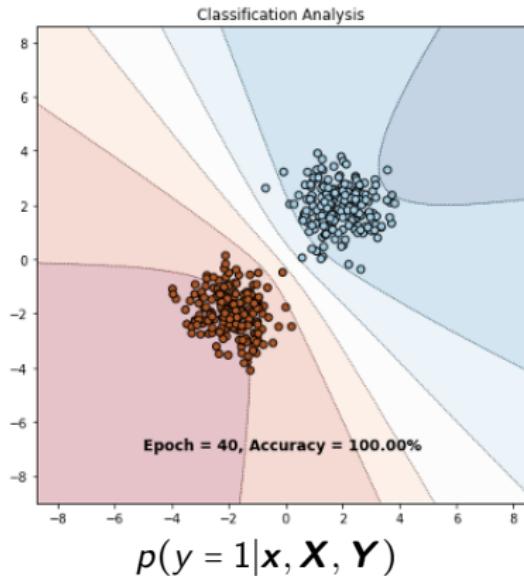
Solutions:

1. MC sampling, easy to sample from $q_\theta(\mathbf{w})$
 2. Perform Taylor expansion of $y(\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{w})$ around \mathbf{w}_{MAP} for regression^a:
$$y(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) \approx y(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}_{MAP}) + \frac{\partial y}{\partial \mathbf{w}}|_{\mathbf{w}=\mathbf{w}_{MAP}} (\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{w}_{MAP})$$
- $p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{w}) \approx \mathcal{N}(y|\mu_y; \beta^{-1})$, $\mu_y = y(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}_{MAP}) + \frac{\partial y}{\partial \mathbf{w}}|_{\mathbf{w}=\mathbf{w}_{MAP}} (\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{w}_{MAP})$
 - Closed form solution for $p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathcal{D})$
 - ▶ $p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathcal{D}) = \mathcal{N}(y|y(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}_{MAP}); \sigma^2(x))$
 - ▶ $\sigma^2(x) = \beta^{-1} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{g}$, \mathbf{g} gradient and \mathbf{A} Hessian at \mathbf{w}_{MAP}

^aFor classification, logit Taylor expansion, see 5.7.1 in [Bishop, 2006]

Practical session

- Own implementation of VI for:
 - ▶ Bayesian logistic regression
 - ▶ Neural network for non-linear classification (moons)



Outline

Beyond Bayesian Linear Regression

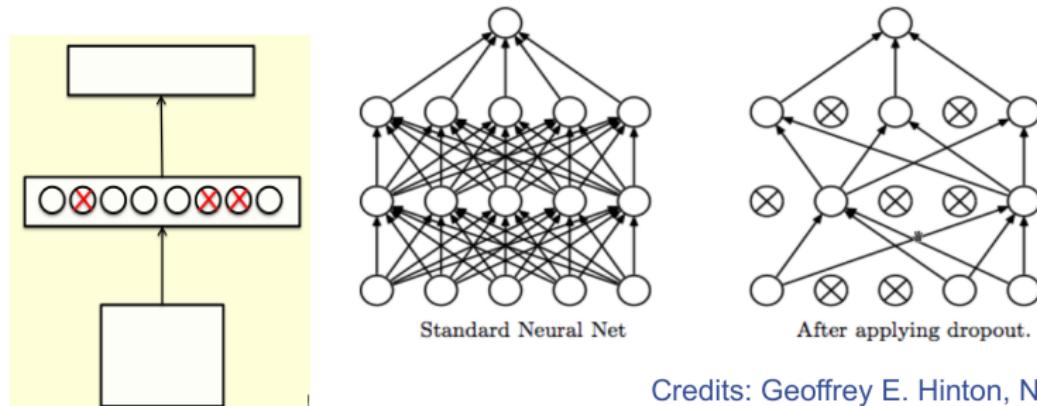
Bayesian Logistic Regression

Bayesian Neural Networks

Monte Carlo Dropout

Dropout [Hinton et al., 2012]

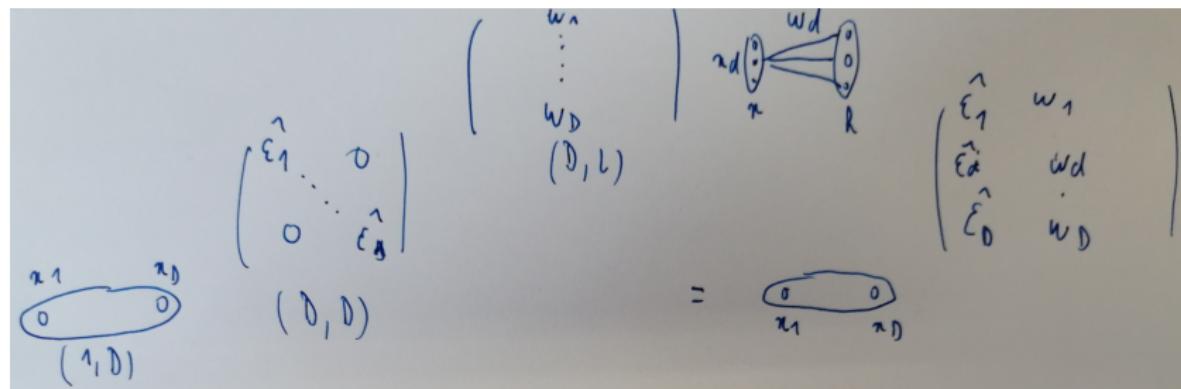
- Randomly omit each hidden unit with probability p , e.g. $p = 0.5$
- **Regularization technique**, limits over-fitting (better generalization)
 - ▶ Prevent co-adaptation
 - ▶ May be viewed as averaging over many NN
 - ▶ Slower convergence



Credits: Geoffrey E. Hinton, NIPS 2012

Dropout as a variational inference [Gal, 2016]

- Input $x \in \mathbb{R}^{D_a}$, latent vector $h \in \mathbb{R}^L$
 - ▶ First layer: $h = \sigma(xW_1)$, σ non-linearity
- **Dropout sampling:** in input : $x \odot \hat{\varepsilon}$
 - ▶ $\hat{\varepsilon} = \{\hat{\varepsilon}_i^1\}_{i \in \{1; D\}}$ $\varepsilon_i \sim \text{Bernoulli}(1 - p)$
 - ▶ First layer: $h = \sigma((x \odot \hat{\varepsilon})W_1)$
 - ▶ $(x \text{ diag}(\hat{\varepsilon}))W_1 = x(\text{diag}(\hat{\varepsilon})W_1) = x\hat{W}_1$
 - ▶ Randomly setting to 0 rows of W_1 (size $((D, L))$ with probability p


$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Input } x \text{ (1, D)} \\ \times \begin{pmatrix} \hat{\varepsilon}_1 & \dots & \hat{\varepsilon}_D \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (D, D) \\ = \quad \begin{pmatrix} w_1 & & & \\ \vdots & \ddots & & \\ w_D & & \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} \hat{\varepsilon}_1 & \dots & \hat{\varepsilon}_D \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (D, L) \\ = \quad \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & \dots & x_D \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} w_1 & & & \\ \vdots & \ddots & & \\ w_D & & \end{pmatrix} \end{array}$$

^adimension (1,D)

Dropout as a variational inference [Gal, 2016]

- **Illustration: dropout for a 2 layer NN** (1 hidden), $\epsilon_i \sim \text{Bernoulli}(1 - p_i)$:

$$\begin{aligned} & \boxed{\mathbf{h}_1 = \sigma(\hat{x}\mathbf{W}_1) = \sigma(\mathbf{x}\hat{\mathbf{W}}_1), \hat{\mathbf{W}}_1 = \text{diag}(\hat{\epsilon}_1)\mathbf{W}_1} \\ & \boxed{\hat{\mathbf{y}} =: f^{\hat{\mathbf{W}}_1, \hat{\mathbf{W}}_2}(\mathbf{x}) = \hat{\mathbf{h}}_1\mathbf{W}_2 = \mathbf{h}_1\hat{\mathbf{W}}_2, \hat{\mathbf{W}}_2 = \text{diag}(\hat{\epsilon}_2)\mathbf{W}_2 - \hat{\mathbf{W}} = \{\hat{\mathbf{W}}_1; \hat{\mathbf{W}}_2\}} \end{aligned}$$

- **MC Dropout sampling:** $\frac{1}{S} \sum_{s \in S} p(\mathbf{y}_i | f^{\hat{\mathbf{W}}}(\mathbf{x}_i)) \approx \int p(\mathbf{y} | f^{\mathbf{W}}(\mathbf{x}^*)) q(\mathbf{W}) d\mathbf{w}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \forall \text{ layer } l \in \{1; L\}, \mathbf{W}_l \text{ random variable: } \mathbf{W}_l \sim q(\mathbf{W}_l) = g(\mathbf{M}_l, \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_l) = \text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_l) \mathbf{M}_l \\ & \quad \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{l,i} \sim \text{Bernoulli}(1 - p_l), \mathbf{M}_l \text{ deterministic parameters} \\ & q(\mathbf{W}) = \prod_{l=1}^L q(\mathbf{W}_l) \end{aligned}$$

- **Big result** (see next): **training NN with dropout \Leftrightarrow training BNN with variational posterior approximation $q_{\mathbf{M}}(\mathbf{W})$** (and some prior $p(\mathbf{W})$)

$$\mathbf{M} = \{\mathbf{M}_l\}_{l \in \{1; L\}} \text{ variational parameters}$$

- **MC dropout:** sampling several passes with dropout \Leftrightarrow **performing MC approximate inference with variational posterior $q_{\mathbf{M}}(\mathbf{W})$**

$$\frac{1}{S} \sum_{s \in S} p(\mathbf{y}_i | f^{\hat{\mathbf{W}}}(\mathbf{x}_i)) \approx \int p(\mathbf{y} | f^{\mathbf{W}}(\mathbf{x}^*)) q(\mathbf{W}) d\mathbf{w} \approx p(y | \mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})$$

Dropout as a variational inference [Gal, 2016]

Big result: proof sketch for a 2 layer NN (regression)

- **Prediction with dropout:** $\hat{y} = \sigma(\mathbf{x} \hat{\mathbf{W}}_1) \hat{\mathbf{W}}_2 =: f^{\hat{\mathbf{W}}_1, \hat{\mathbf{W}}_2}(\mathbf{x})$
 - ▶ $\forall I \in \{1; 2\} : \hat{\mathbf{W}}_I = \text{diag}(\hat{\epsilon}_I) \mathbf{M}_I - \hat{\mathbf{W}} = \{\hat{\mathbf{W}}_1; \hat{\mathbf{W}}_2\}$
- **Training for regression,** $\hat{\mathcal{L}}_{\text{dropout}}$ objective function:

$$\hat{\mathcal{L}}_{\text{dropout}}(\mathbf{M}_1, \mathbf{M}_2) = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i \in S} \|f^{\hat{\mathbf{W}}}(\mathbf{x}_i) - y_i\|^2 + \lambda_1 \|\mathbf{M}_1\|^2 + \lambda_2 \|\mathbf{M}_2\|^2$$

- With Gaussian likelihood: $p(y_i | f^{\hat{\mathbf{W}}}(\mathbf{x}_i)) = \mathcal{N}(y_i, f^{\hat{\mathbf{W}}}(\mathbf{x}), \tau^{-1} \mathbf{I})$, we have:

$$\|f^{\hat{\mathbf{W}}}(\mathbf{x}_i) - y_i\|^2 = -\frac{1}{\tau} \log p(y_i | f^{g(\mathbf{M}, \hat{\epsilon}^i)}(\mathbf{x}))$$

- $\hat{\mathcal{L}}_{\text{dropout}}$ rewrites as follows:

$$\boxed{\hat{\mathcal{L}}_{\text{dropout}}(\mathbf{M}_1, \mathbf{M}_2) = \frac{1}{M\tau} \sum_{i \in S} \log p(y_i | f^{g(\mathbf{M}, \hat{\epsilon}^i)}(\mathbf{x})) + \lambda_1 \|\mathbf{M}_1\|^2 + \lambda_2 \|\mathbf{M}_2\|^2} \quad (1)$$

Dropout as a variational inference [Gal, 2016]

- Big similarity between $\hat{\mathcal{L}}_{dropout}$ in Eq (1) and algo 1!
- Same algorithms if:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{M}} KL(q(\mathbf{W}) || p(\mathbf{W})) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{M}} N\tau(\lambda_1 \|\mathbf{M}_1\|^2 + \lambda_2 \|\mathbf{M}_2\|^2)$$

[Gal and Ghahramani, 2016] showed that this can be fulfilled for:

- $p(\mathbf{W}) = \prod_I p(\mathbf{W}_I) = \prod_I \mathcal{MN}(\mathbf{W}_I; \mathbf{0}; I/l_I^2, I)$ (prior factorized over layers)
- $q(\mathbf{W}_I) = \text{diag}(\hat{\varepsilon}_I) \mathbf{M}_I$, $\varepsilon_{I,i} \sim \text{Bernoulli}(1 - p_i)$, $q(\mathbf{W}) = \prod_I q(\mathbf{W}_I)$
 - ▶ Approximated by a mixture of two Gaussians with small std and one component fixed at zero
 $q_{\theta_{i,k}}(w_{i,k}) = (1 - p_i)\mathcal{N}(w_{i,k}; m_{i,k}; \sigma^2 I) + p_i\mathcal{N}(w_{i,k}; 0; \sigma^2 I)$

⇒ A neural network with dropout can be interpreted as a variational Bayesian approximation

Model uncertainty

Predictive prediction with variational inference approximated with:

$$\begin{aligned} p(y|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) &= \int p(y|f^W(\mathbf{x}^*))p(W|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})d\mathbf{w} \\ &\approx \int p(y|f^W(\mathbf{x}^*))q(W)d\mathbf{w} := q_{\mathbf{w}^*}(y|\mathbf{x}^*) \end{aligned}$$

⇒ Estimate $p(y|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})$ by MC sampling of $p(y|f^{\hat{W}}(\mathbf{x}^*)), \hat{W} \sim q(W)$

- $W = \{W_i\}_{i=1}^L$ our set of random variables
- $f^W(\mathbf{x}^*)$ our model's stochastic output
- $q_{\mathbf{w}^*}(W)$ our optimum of variational distribution

Model uncertainty in regression

We will perform moment-matching and estimate the first two moments of the predictive distribution empirically.

Proposition

Given $p(y|f^W(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathcal{N}(y; f^W(\mathbf{x}^*); \tau^{-1}I)$ for some $\tau > 0$, $\mathbb{E}_{q_{\mathbf{w}^*}(y|\mathbf{x}^*)}[\mathbf{y}]$ can be estimated with the unbiased estimator

$$\widetilde{\mathbb{E}}[y] := \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T f^{\hat{\mathbf{W}}_t}(\mathbf{x}^*) \xrightarrow{T \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}_{q_{\mathbf{w}^*}(y|\mathbf{x}^*)}[\mathbf{y}]$$

with $\hat{\mathbf{W}}_t \sim q(\mathbf{W})$

⇒ equivalent to **performing T stochastic forward passes through the network and averaging the results.**

Model uncertainty in regression

Proposition

Given $p(y|f^W(\mathbf{x}^*)) = \mathcal{N}(y; f^W(\mathbf{x}^*); \tau^{-1}I)$ for some $\tau > 0$, $\mathbb{E}_{q_{\mathbf{w}^*}(y|\mathbf{x}^*)}[(y)^T(y)]$ can be estimated with the unbiased estimator, with $\hat{\mathbf{W}}_t \sim q(W)$:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[(y)^T(y)] &:= \tau^{-1}I + \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T f^{\hat{\mathbf{W}}_t}(\mathbf{x}^*)^T f^{\hat{\mathbf{W}}_t}(\mathbf{x}^*) \\ &\xrightarrow{T \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}_{q_{\mathbf{w}^*}(y|\mathbf{x}^*)}[(y)^T(y)]\end{aligned}$$

Corollary

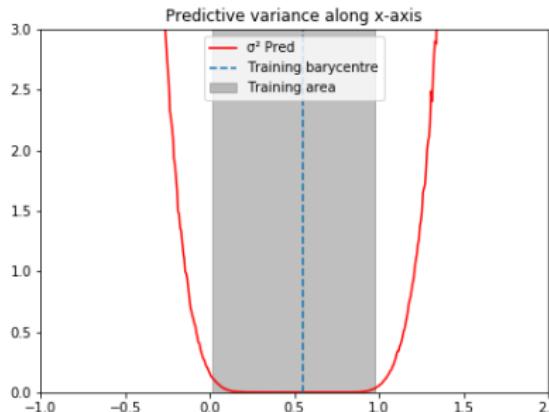
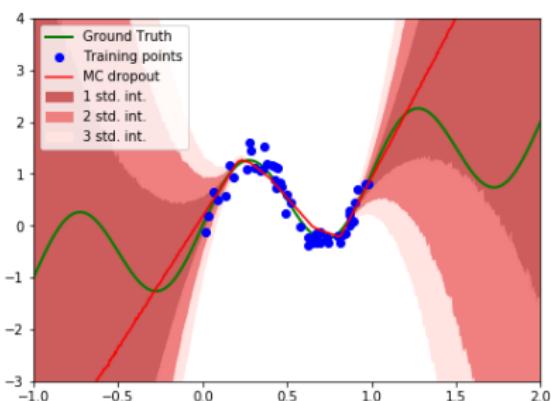
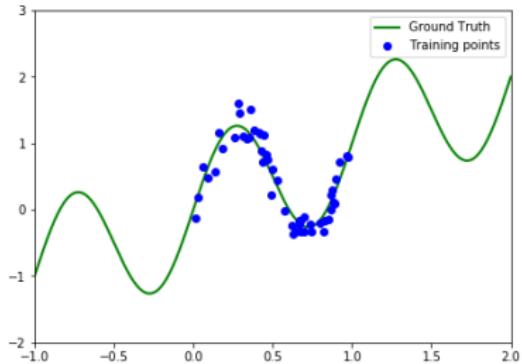
$\text{Var}_{q_{\mathbf{w}^*}(y|\mathbf{x}^*)}[y]$ can be estimated with the unbiased estimator

$$\begin{aligned}\widetilde{\text{Var}}[(y)] &:= \tau^{-1}I + \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T f^{\hat{\mathbf{W}}_t}(\mathbf{x}^*)^T f^{\hat{\mathbf{W}}_t}(\mathbf{x}^*) - \frac{1}{T} \left(\sum_{t=1}^T f^{\hat{\mathbf{W}}_t} \right)^T \left(\sum_{t=1}^T f^{\hat{\mathbf{W}}_t} \right) \\ &\xrightarrow{T \rightarrow \infty} \text{Var}_{q_{\mathbf{w}^*}(y|\mathbf{x}^*)}[y]\end{aligned}$$

⇒ sample variance of T stochastic forward passes through the NN + the inverse model precision

Application: MC dropout for predictive distribution

- MC dropout for regression: $\sin(x) + x$

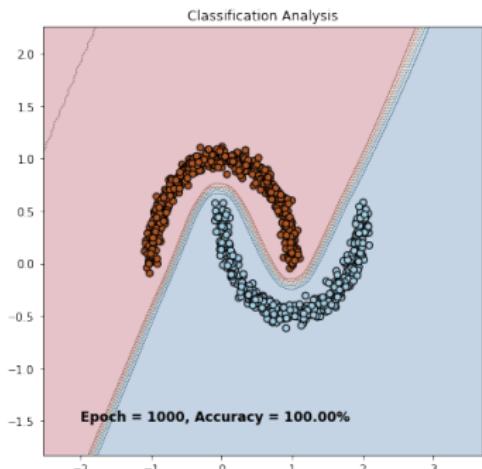


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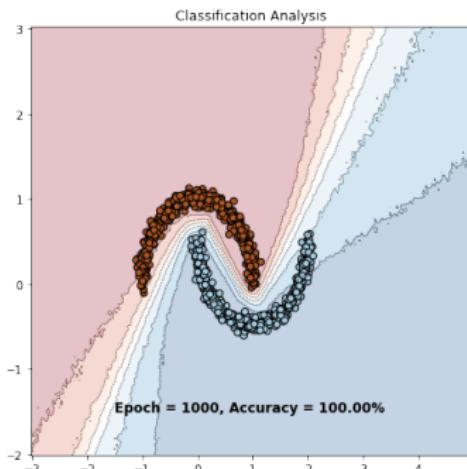
- MC dropout for non-linear classification

- As for BLR: $p(y = 1|\mathbf{x}^*, \mathcal{D}) \approx \sum_{s=1}^S f_{\mathbf{w}^s}(\mathbf{x}^*)$, $\mathbf{w}^s \sim q(\mathbf{W})$

Deterministic NN



Bayesian NN (MC dropout)



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