

# STAT 535

## Exercise 3

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## 1 Implementing samplers over matchings

### Basic sampler for permutations

Let  $\pi$  be the uniform distribution over  $S_n$ , the set of permutations, so for all  $x \in S_n$ , we have  $\pi(x) \propto 1$ . We will view  $x$  as a bijective function from  $[n]$  to  $[n]$  where  $[n] = \{1, \dots, n\}$ . Given  $x \in S_n$  and  $i, j \in [n]$ , we define  $x_{(i,j)} \in S_n$  by swapping the output of  $i$  and  $j$  in  $x$ , or more formally as,

$$x_{(i,j)}(k) = \begin{cases} x(j) & k = i \\ x(i) & k = j \\ x(k) & k \in [n] \setminus \{i, j\} \end{cases}.$$

We define the proposal kernel  $Q(x, y)$  for the Metropolis-Hastings algorithm as follows,

$$Q(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{n^2} & , y = x_{(i,j)} \text{ for some } i, j \in [n] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}.$$

Note that  $Q(x, y) = Q(y, x)$  so it is reversible, and given  $x, x' \in S_n$ , one to get from  $x$  to  $x'$  within a finite number of swaps. Thus, we have  $Q$  is irreducible. We will accept this proposal with probability,

$$\alpha(x, y) = 1 \wedge \frac{\pi(y)Q(x, y)}{\pi(x)Q(y, x)} = 1$$

Thus in the Metropolis Hastings algorithm will accept every proposal.

## Non-uniform case

The only difference now is that  $\pi(x) \propto \gamma(x)$  for some known  $\gamma$ . We use the same proposal  $Q(x, y)$  as the uniform case but now, we accept our proposal with probability,

$$\alpha(x, y) = 1 \wedge \frac{\pi(y)Q(x, y)}{\pi(x)Q(y, x)} = 1 \wedge \frac{\gamma(y)}{\gamma(x)}.$$

## Implementation

Our implementation in `PermutationSampler.execute` is as follows.

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```
@Override
public void execute(Random rand) {
    // Fill this.
    int n = this.permutation.componentSize();
    int i = rand.nextInt(n);
    int j = rand.nextInt(n);
    double log_pi_current = logDensity();
    Collections.swap(this.permutation.getConnections(), i, j);
    double log_pi_new = logDensity();

    boolean accept_proposal =
        Generators.bernoulli(rand, Math.exp(log_pi_new - log_pi_current));

    if (!accept_proposal) {
        Collections.swap(this.permutation.getConnections(), i, j);
    }
}
```

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## Understanding the test

Let  $K_1, \dots, K_m$  be our Kernels. We test for invariance for each kernel individually since if each  $K_i$  leaves  $\pi$  invariant, we can ensure that the resulting kernel  $K = K_m \cdots K_1$  leaves  $\pi$  invariant.

However it is possible to have each kernel  $K_i$  is not irreducible, but their product are, that is why to ensure the irreducibility, one needs to check  $K = K_m \cdots K_1$  is irreducible.

### 1.1 Bipartite matching (non-perfect)

Let  $M_n$  be the set of matchings between the ordered sets  $A = \{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$  and  $B = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ . We can encode  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  where  $x_i \in [n] \cup \{0\}$ , where  $x_i = j$  implies there is a connection between  $a_i$  and  $b_j$  if  $j > 0$ , and  $x_i = 0$  implies  $a_i$  has no connection. We also required  $x_i \neq x_j$  if  $x_i, x_j \neq 0$ . Suppose we wish to sample form a distribution  $\pi$  over  $M_n$  with  $\pi(x) \propto \gamma(x)$  for  $x \in M_n$ .

We will construct a proposal scheme for the Metropolis-Hastings algorithm as follows. Let  $x \in M_n$ , and  $x_B = \{j \in [n] : x_i \neq j, \forall i \in [n]\}$ . Suppose we sample  $i$  uniformly from  $[n]$ . We propose  $y \in M_n$  such that

$$y_k = \begin{cases} y_k = j & k = i \\ y_k = x_k & k \in [n] \setminus \{i\} \end{cases}$$

where  $j$  is chosen uniformly from  $x_B$  if  $x_i = 0$ , and  $j$  is chosen uniformly from  $x_B \cup \{0\}$  if  $x_i > 0$ .

Let  $Q(x, y)$  be the kernel resulting from the above procedure. It is trivial to see that  $Q$  is irreducible as our scheme can add, remove and change connections. We will it is also reversible.

If  $x_i = 0$  then, then a connection is made with probability  $1/|x_B|$  and  $y_i > 0$  and  $|y_B| = |x_B| - 1$ , so the same connection is removed resulting in  $x$  with probability  $1/(|y_B| + 1) = 1/|x_B|$  and  $Q(y, x) = Q(x, y)$ .

Similarly if  $x_i = j > 0$  and  $y_i = k \in x_B$  with probability  $1/(|x_B| + 1)$  and  $j \in y_B$  with  $|y_B| = |x_B|$ , so given  $y$ , we will propose  $x$  with probability  $1/(|y_B| + 1) = 1/(|x_B| + 1)$  and  $Q(y, x) = Q(x, y)$ . Finally, if  $x_i = j > 0$  and  $y_i = 0$ , then  $|y_B| = |x_B| + 1$  and given  $y$  we will propose  $x$  with probability  $1/|y_B| = 1/(|x_B| + 1)$ , and  $Q(y, x) = Q(x, y)$ .

Therefore to sample from  $\pi$  we accept our proposal with acceptance ratio,

$$\alpha(x, y) = 1 \wedge \frac{\pi(y)Q(x, y)}{\pi(x)Q(y, x)} = 1 \wedge \frac{\gamma(y)}{\gamma(x)}.$$

We implemented this in `BipartiteMatching.xtend` as follows:

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`@Override`

```
public void execute(Random rand) {
    int n = this.matching.componentSize();
    int i = rand.nextInt(n);
    int m = this.matching.free2().size();
    double log_pi_current = logDensity();
    int connection_i = this.matching.getConnections().get(i);

    if (connection_i == BipartiteMatching.FREE) {
        int j = rand.nextInt(m);
        this.matching.getConnections().set(i, matching.free2().get(j));
    }
    else {
        int j = rand.nextInt(m+1);
        if (j == m) {
            this.matching.getConnections().set(i, BipartiteMatching.FREE);
        }
        else {
            this.matching.getConnections().set(i, matching.free2().get(j));
        }
    }
}
```

```

double log_pi_new = logDensity();
boolean accept_proposal =
    Generators.bernoulli(rand, Math.exp(log_pi_new - log_pi_current));

if (!accept_proposal) {
    this.matching.getConnections().set(i, connection_i);
}
}

```

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## 2 A statistical model involving a combinatorial space

### Implementation

The implementation of the model into `PermutedClustering.bl` is as follows:

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```

laws {

//  Initialize means
means.get(0) ~ ContinuousUniform(0,1)
for (int j : 1 ..< groupSize){
    means.get(j) | RealVar mean_last = means.get(j-1) ~
        ContinuousUniform(mean_last, mean_last + 1)
}

//  Initialize Variances
for (int j : 0 ..< groupSize){
    variances.get(j) ~ Exponential(10)
}

//  Initialize permutaitons
for (int i : 0 ..< nGroups){
    permutations.get(i) ~ UniformPermutation() }

for (int i : 0 ..< nGroups){
    for (int j : 0 ..< groupSize){
        observations.getRealVar(i,j) | means, variances,
            int permutation = permutations.get(i).getConnections().get(j)
            ~ Normal(means.get(permutation), variances.get(permutation))
    }
}
}

```

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### Run your model on synthetic data

We include the plot of the posterior statistics on inferred permutations below:

