

Computational Statistics

Homework 2

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Exercise 5.4. Simulated Annealing Algorithm

(a) Reproducing simulations from Example 5.5

With the code in the jupyter notebook, we reproduce Example 5.5., i.e. Simulated Annealing algorithm with :

$$\begin{aligned}h(x) &= [\cos(50x) + \sin(20x)]^2 \\a_t &= \max(x^{(t)} - r, 0) \\b_t &= \min(x^{(t)} + r, 1) \\u &\sim \mathcal{U}(a_t, b_t) \\\rho^{(t)} &= \min \left\{ \exp \left(\frac{h(u) - h(x^{(t)})}{T_t} \right), 1 \right\} \\T_t &= \frac{1}{\log(t)}\end{aligned}$$

The algorithm is, at each time t :

1. Simulate $u \sim \mathcal{U}(a_t, b_t)$.
2. Accept $x^{(t+1)}$ with probability $\rho^{(t)}$, take $x^{(t+1)} = x^{(t)}$ otherwise.
3. Update T_t to T_{t+1} .

And we start a sequence of 2500 simulations with $x^{(0)} = 0$. As in Example 5.5, four sequences are simulated and represented in Figure 1.

(b) Changing parameters in r and T_t

We now define $T_t = \frac{c}{\log(t)}$. We show in Figure 2 simulated sequences for a range of r and c values. We see that lower values of c seem to give a faster convergence. Regarding r , $r = 0.75$ seems to be the value that fastens convergence the most.

Figure 1: Reproduction of Example 5.5 : Simulated Annealing algorithm

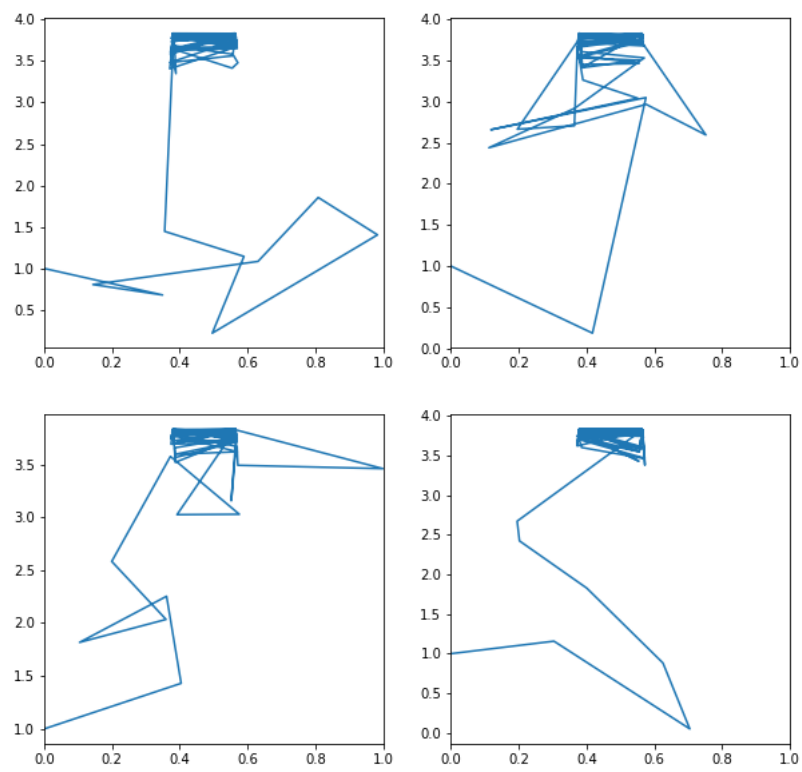
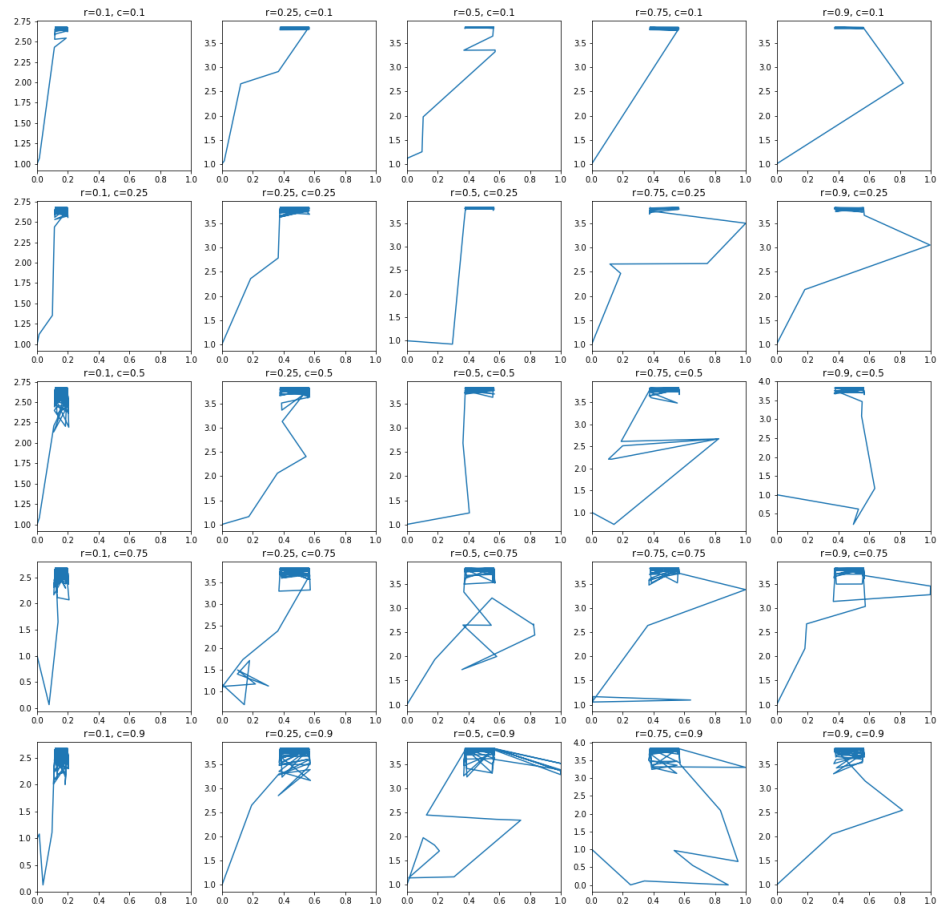


Figure 2: Simulated Annealing for various values of r and c 

Exercise 5.22. EM Algorithm on Bernoulli Variables

Here, we observe X_1, \dots, X_n i.i.d. depending on Z_1, \dots, Z_n independently distributed as $\mathcal{N}(\zeta, \sigma^2)$. We have, for a known threshold u :

$$X_i = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } Z_i \leq u \\ 1 & \text{if } Z_i > u \end{cases}$$

Our aim is to obtain MLE estimates for ζ, σ^2 .

(a) Likelihood function

We want to compute $\mathcal{L}(x; (\zeta, \sigma))$. We have :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(x; (\zeta, \sigma)) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{P}(X_i = x_i | \zeta, \sigma) \\ &= p^S (1-p)^{n-S} \end{aligned}$$

As the X_i are drawn independently from a Bernoulli. p is the probability for X_i to be equal to 1, thus:

$$\begin{aligned} p &= \mathbb{P}(Z_i > u) \\ &= \mathbb{P}\left(\frac{Z_i - \zeta}{\sigma} > \frac{u - \zeta}{\sigma}\right) \\ &= 1 - \mathbb{P}\left(\frac{Z_i - \zeta}{\sigma} \leq \frac{u - \zeta}{\sigma}\right) \\ &= 1 - \Phi\left(\frac{u - \zeta}{\sigma}\right) \\ &= \Phi\left(\frac{\zeta - u}{\sigma}\right) \end{aligned}$$

S is the number of x_i equal to one, thus we can write :

$$S = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

(b) Complete Likelihood

We are now interested in the complete likelihood function $\mathcal{L}((z); (\zeta, \sigma))$. We have :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(z; (\zeta, \sigma)) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{P}(Z_i = z_i | \zeta, \sigma) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{(z_i - \zeta)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}\log \mathcal{L}((z); (\zeta, \sigma)) &= \sum_{i=1}^n -\frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma^2) - \frac{(z_i - \zeta)^2}{2\sigma^2} \\ &= -\frac{n}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma^2) - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(z_i - \zeta)^2}{2\sigma^2}\end{aligned}$$

Then, we take the expectation of this function, on the observed data, i.e. the (x_i) , regarding the random variables Z_i :

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E} [\log \mathcal{L}((Z_i)_i; (\zeta, \sigma)) | x_i] &= -\frac{n}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma^2) - \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{(Z_i - \zeta)^2}{2\sigma^2} \middle| x_i \right] \\ &= -\frac{n}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma^2) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[Z_i^2 - 2\zeta Z_i + \zeta^2 | x_i] \\ &= -\frac{n}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma^2) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbb{E}[Z_i^2 | x_i] - 2\zeta \mathbb{E}[Z_i | x_i] + \zeta^2)\end{aligned}$$

(c) EM Sequence

We now want to give the EM sequence. We first treat $\zeta^{(t)}$ sequence :

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial \mathbb{E} [\log \mathcal{L}((Z_i)_i; \zeta = \zeta^{(t)}, \sigma = \sigma^{(t)}) | x_i]}{\partial \zeta^{(t)}} &= -\frac{1}{2(\sigma^{(t)})^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (-2\mathbb{E}[Z_i | x_i, \zeta^{(t)}, \sigma^{(t)}] + 2\zeta^{(t)}) \\ &= -\frac{n}{(\sigma^{(t)})^2} \zeta^{(t)} + \frac{1}{(\sigma^{(t)})^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[Z_i | x_i, \zeta^{(t)}, \sigma^{(t)}]\end{aligned}$$

We chose $\zeta^{(t+1)}$ to minimize the expected log-likelihood of the complete data, thus:

$$\zeta^{(t+1)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[Z_i | x_i, \zeta^{(t)}, \sigma^{(t)}]$$

We are now interested in $\sigma^{(t)}$. We compute :

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial \mathbb{E} [\log \mathcal{L}((Z_i)_i; \zeta = \zeta^{(t)}, \sigma = \sigma^{(t)}) | x_i]}{\partial (\sigma^{(t)})^2} &= -\frac{n}{2} \frac{2\pi}{2\pi(\sigma^{(t)})^2} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2((\sigma^{(t)})^2)^2} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[Z_i^2 | x_i, \zeta^{(t)}, \sigma^{(t)}] - 2\zeta^{(t)} \mathbb{E}[Z_i | x_i, \zeta^{(t)}, \sigma^{(t)}] + (\zeta^{(t)})^2 \right]\end{aligned}$$

Minimization of the expected log-likelihood of the complete data gives:

$$\begin{aligned}
(\sigma^{(t+1)})^2 &= \frac{1}{n} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n \left(\mathbb{E}[Z_i^2 | x_i, \zeta^{(t)}, \sigma^{(t)}] - 2\zeta^{(t+1)} \mathbb{E}[Z_i | x_i, \zeta^{(t)}, \sigma^{(t)}] + (\zeta^{(t+1)})^2 \right) \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[Z_i^2 | x_i, \zeta^{(t)}, \sigma^{(t)}] - 2\zeta^{(t+1)} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[Z_i | x_i, \zeta^{(t)}, \sigma^{(t)}] + n(\zeta^{(t+1)})^2 \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[Z_i^2 | x_i, \zeta^{(t)}, \sigma^{(t)}] - 2\zeta^{(t+1)} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[Z_i | x_i, \zeta^{(t)}, \sigma^{(t)}] + n(\zeta^{(t+1)})^2 \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[Z_i^2 | x_i, \zeta^{(t)}, \sigma^{(t)}] - 2\zeta^{(t+1)} n\zeta^{(t+1)} + n(\zeta^{(t+1)})^2 \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[Z_i^2 | x_i, \zeta^{(t)}, \sigma^{(t)}] - n(\zeta^{(t+1)})^2 \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[Z_i^2 | x_i, \zeta^{(t)}, \sigma^{(t)}] - n(\zeta^{(t+1)})^2 \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[Z_i^2 | x_i, \zeta^{(t)}, \sigma^{(t)}] - \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[Z_i | x_i, \zeta^{(t)}, \sigma^{(t)}] \right)^2 \right]
\end{aligned}$$

(d) Expectations Computation

We want to compute $\mathbb{E}[Z_i | x_i, \zeta, \sigma]$. Let's first suppose that $X_i = 1$. Then :

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}[Z_i | X_i = 1, \zeta, \sigma] &= \frac{1}{\mathbb{P}(X_i = 1)} \int_u^\infty z \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(z-\zeta)^2}{2\sigma^2}} dz \\
&= \frac{1}{\mathbb{P}(Z_i > u)} \int_{\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}}^\infty (\zeta + \sigma x) \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \sigma dx \quad \leftarrow x = \frac{z-\zeta}{\sigma} \\
&= \frac{1}{1 - \Phi\left(\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}\right)} \int_{\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}}^\infty (\zeta + \sigma x) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx \\
&= \frac{1}{1 - \Phi\left(\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}\right)} \left[\zeta \int_{\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}}^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx - \sigma \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}}^\infty (-x) e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{1 - \Phi\left(\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}\right)} \left[\zeta \left(1 - \Phi\left(\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}\right)\right) - \sigma \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \right]_{\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}}^\infty \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{1 - \Phi\left(\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}\right)} \left[\zeta \left(1 - \Phi\left(\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}\right)\right) + \sigma \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(u-\zeta)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \right] \\
&= \zeta + \sigma \frac{\varphi\left(\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}\right)}{1 - \Phi\left(\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}\right)}
\end{aligned}$$

Now, if $X_i = 0$:

$$\mathbb{E}[Z_i|X_i = 0, \zeta, \sigma] = \frac{1}{\mathbb{P}(X_i = 0)} \int_{-\infty}^u z \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(z-\zeta)^2}{2\sigma^2}} dz$$

Using the same substitution $x = \frac{z-\zeta}{\sigma}$ as in the first case, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[Z_i|X_i = 0, \zeta, \sigma] &= \frac{1}{\Phi\left(\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}\right)} \left[\zeta \Phi\left(\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}\right) - \sigma \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(u-\zeta)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \right] \\ &= \zeta - \sigma \frac{\varphi\left(\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}\right)}{\Phi\left(\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}\right)} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we generally have :

$$\mathbb{E}[Z_i|x_i, \zeta, \sigma] = \zeta + \sigma H_i\left(\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}\right)$$

With H_i as described in the exercice. Let's compute the expectation $\mathbb{E}[Z_i^2|x_i, \zeta, \sigma]$, in the same way. First :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[Z_i^2|X_i = 1, \zeta, \sigma] &= \frac{1}{\mathbb{P}(X_i = 1)} \int_u^\infty z^2 \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(z-\zeta)^2}{2\sigma^2}} dz \\ &= \frac{1}{\mathbb{P}(Z_i > u)} \int_{\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}}^\infty (\zeta + \sigma x)^2 \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \sigma dx \quad \leftarrow x = \frac{z-\zeta}{\sigma} \\ \mathbb{E}[Z_i^2|X_i = 1, \zeta, \sigma](1 - \Phi\left(\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}\right)) &= \zeta^2 \int_{\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}}^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx \\ &\quad - 2\zeta\sigma \int_{\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}}^\infty (-x) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx \\ &\quad + \sigma^2 \int_{\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}}^\infty x^2 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx \\ &= \zeta^2(1 - \Phi\left(\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}\right)) + 2\zeta\sigma\varphi\left(\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}\right) + A \end{aligned}$$

Where $A = \sigma^2 \int_{\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}}^\infty x^2 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx$. We use integration by parts to compute A .

$$\begin{aligned} A &= -\frac{\sigma^2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left(\left[x e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \right]_{\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}}^\infty - \int_{\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}}^\infty e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx \right) \\ &= \sigma(u-\zeta)\varphi\left(\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}\right) + \sigma^2(1 - \Phi\left(\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}\right)) \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have:

$$\mathbb{E}[Z_i^2|X_i = 1, \zeta, \sigma] = \zeta^2 + \sigma^2 + \sigma(u+\zeta) \frac{\varphi\left(\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}\right)}{1 - \Phi\left(\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}\right)}$$

By re-using the same substitution and integration by parts for $\mathbb{E}[Z_i^2|X_i = 0]$, we find that $\mathbb{E}[Z_i^2|X_i = 0, \zeta, \sigma] = \zeta^2 + \sigma^2 - \sigma(u + \zeta) \frac{\varphi\left(\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}\right)}{\Phi\left(\frac{u-\zeta}{\sigma}\right)}$, so we can conclude that :

$$\mathbb{E}[Z_i^2|x_i, \zeta, \sigma] = \zeta^2 + \sigma^2 + \sigma(u + \zeta) H_i \left(\frac{u - \zeta}{\sigma} \right)$$

(e) Convergence

Let's return to the expected complete-data log-likelihood, which is equal to :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} [\log \mathcal{L}(Z|x_i, \zeta^*, \sigma^*)] &= \\ &= -\frac{n}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma^2) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbb{E}[Z_i^2|x_i, \zeta^*, \sigma^*] - 2\zeta^* \mathbb{E}[Z_i|x_i, \zeta^*, \sigma^*] + \zeta^{*2}) \\ &= -\frac{n}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma^2) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \left[\zeta^{*2} + \sigma^{*2} H_i \left(\frac{u - \zeta^*}{\sigma^*} \right) - 2 \left[(\zeta^*)^2 + (\sigma^*)^2 + \sigma^*(u + \zeta^*) H_i \left(\frac{u - \zeta^*}{\sigma^*} \right) \right] + \zeta^{*2} \right] \end{aligned}$$

This expression is continuous in ζ, σ and ζ^*, σ^* . We can thus use Theorem 5.16. Every limit point of the EM sequence is a stationnary point of the log-likelihood. As the log-likelihood is log-concave, it only has one maximum. The EM sequence converges to the points of this maximum, and thus maximize the log-likelihood.

Exercise 5.33. EM on Bayesian Hierarchical Models

We have a hierarchical bayesian model, i.e. :

$$\begin{aligned} X|\theta &\sim f(x|\theta) \\ \theta|\lambda &\sim \pi(\theta|\lambda) \\ \lambda &\sim \gamma(\lambda) \end{aligned}$$

We want to estimate the posterior $\pi(\theta|x)$, and in order to do so, we use EM Algorithm.

(a) Log-Likelihood

Our aim is to compute $\log \pi(\theta|x)$. Let θ^* be any value defined in the same set as θ . We use the fact that :

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\theta|x) &= \frac{\pi(\theta, \lambda|x)}{k(\lambda|\theta, x)} \\ \Leftrightarrow \log \pi(\theta|x) &= \log \pi(\theta, \lambda|x) - \log k(\lambda|\theta, x) \\ \Leftrightarrow \log \pi(\theta|x)k(\lambda|\theta^*, x) &= \log \pi(\theta, \lambda|x)k(\lambda|\theta^*, x) - \log k(\lambda|\theta, x)k(\lambda|\theta^*, x) \\ \Leftrightarrow \int \log \pi(\theta|x)k(\lambda|\theta^*, x)d\lambda &= \int \log \pi(\theta|\lambda, x)k(\lambda|\theta^*, x)d\lambda - \int \log k(\lambda|\theta, x)k(\lambda|\theta^*, x)d\lambda \\ \Leftrightarrow \log \pi(\theta|x) \underbrace{\int k(\lambda|\theta^*, x)d\lambda}_{=1} &= \int \log \pi(\theta|\lambda, x)k(\lambda|\theta^*, x)d\lambda - \int \log k(\lambda|\theta, x)k(\lambda|\theta^*, x)d\lambda \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have, for any θ^* :

$$\log \pi(\theta|x) = \int \log \pi(\theta|\lambda, x)k(\lambda|\theta^*, x)d\lambda - \int \log k(\lambda|\theta, x)k(\lambda|\theta^*, x)d\lambda \quad (1)$$

(b) EM Sequence

We want to show that the EM Sequence improves $\log \pi(\theta^{(j)}|x)$ at each step j , i.e. $\log \pi(\theta^{(j+1)}|x) \geq \log \pi(\theta^{(j)}|x)$, $\forall j \in \mathbb{N}$. We re-write Equation 1 as:

$$\log \pi(\theta|x) := Q(\theta|\theta^*, x) - \mathbb{E}_{\theta^*}[\log k(\lambda|\theta, x)] \quad (2)$$

Where the expectation is taken with respect to $k(\lambda|\theta^*, x)$. Let's define the EM Sequence $(\theta^{(j)})_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ for each step with :

$$\begin{aligned} \theta^{(j+1)} &= \arg \max_{\theta} Q(\theta|\theta^{(j)}, x) \\ &= \arg \max_{\theta} \int \log \pi(\theta|\lambda, x)k(\lambda|\theta^{(j)}, x)d\lambda \end{aligned}$$

By definition of $\theta^{(j+1)}$:

$$Q(\theta^{(j+1)}|\theta^{(j)}, x) \geq Q(\theta^{(j)}|\theta^{(j)}, x) \quad (3)$$

We finally want to show that :

$$\mathbb{E}_{\theta^{(j)}} [\log k(\lambda|\theta^{(j+1)}, x)] \leq \mathbb{E}_{\theta^{(j)}} [\log k(\lambda|\theta^{(j)}, x)]$$

Jensen's inequality for concave functions is the following: for any concave function f ,

$$f(\mathbb{E}[X]) \geq \mathbb{E}[f(X)]$$

Taking $f = \log$ and $X = \frac{k(\lambda|\theta^{(j+1)}, x)}{k(\lambda|\theta^{(j)}, x)}$, we have :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}_{\theta^{(j)}} \left[\log \left(\frac{k(\lambda|\theta^{(j+1)}, x)}{k(\lambda|\theta^{(j)}, x)} \right) \right] &\leq \log \mathbb{E}_{\theta^{(j)}} \left[\frac{k(\lambda|\theta^{(j+1)}, x)}{k(\lambda|\theta^{(j)}, x)} \right] \\ &= \log \int \frac{k(\lambda|\theta^{(j+1)}, x)}{k(\lambda|\theta^{(j)}, x)} k(\lambda|\theta^{(j)}, x) d\lambda \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Which directly implies that :

$$\mathbb{E}_{\theta^{(j)}} [\log k(\lambda|\theta^{(j+1)}, x)] \leq \mathbb{E}_{\theta^{(j)}} [\log k(\lambda|\theta^{(j)}, x)] \quad (4)$$

Thus, by taking $\theta^* = \theta^{(j)}$ in (2), we showed (3) and (4), directly giving :

$$\log \pi(\theta^{(j+1)}|x) \geq \log \pi(\theta^{(j)}|x)$$

According to Theorem 5.16., if $Q(\theta|\theta^*, x)$ is continuous in both θ and θ^* , every limit point of $(\theta^{(j)})_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a stationary point of $\log \pi(\theta|x)$, and $\log \pi(\theta^{(j)}|x)$ converges monotonically to $\log \pi(\hat{\theta}|x)$ for some stationary point $\hat{\theta}$.

(c) Application

We apply this EM strategy to the hierarchical model :

$$\begin{aligned} X|\theta &\sim \mathcal{N}(\theta, 1) \\ \theta|\lambda &\sim \mathcal{N}(\lambda, 1) \end{aligned}$$

With $\pi(\lambda) = 1$. At a given step j , we want to compute :

$$\begin{aligned} \theta^{(j+1)} &= \arg \max_{\theta} Q(\theta|\theta^{(j)}, x) \\ &= \arg \max_{\theta} \int \log \pi(\theta|\lambda, x) k(\lambda|\theta^{(j)}, x) d\lambda \end{aligned}$$

Following Baye's rule, we have:

$$\pi(\theta, \lambda|x) = \frac{\pi(x|\theta)\pi(\theta|\lambda)\pi(\lambda)}{\pi(x)}$$

We know $\pi(x|\theta)$, $\pi(\theta|\lambda)$ and $\pi(\lambda)$. $\pi(x)$ is a constant only depending on the observed data. Q can be re-wrote as:

$$Q(\theta|\theta^{(j)}, x) = R(\theta) + \underbrace{\int \log \frac{\pi(\lambda)}{\pi(x)} k(\lambda|\theta^{(j)}, x) d\lambda}_{=C}$$

Thus, $\arg \max_{\theta} Q(\theta|\theta^{(j)}, x) = \arg \max_{\theta} R(\theta)$. We have :

$$R(\theta) = \int \underbrace{\log[\pi(x|\theta)\pi(\theta|\lambda)]}_{A(\theta, \lambda)} \underbrace{k(\lambda|\theta^{(j)}, x)}_{B(\lambda, \theta^{(j)})} d\lambda$$

Compute :

$$\begin{aligned} A(\theta, \lambda) &= \log[\pi(x|\theta)] + \log[\pi(\theta|\lambda)] \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{(x - \theta)^2}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{(\theta - \lambda)^2}{2}, \\ \frac{\partial A(\theta, \lambda)}{\partial \theta} &= \theta(x - \theta) - \theta(\theta - \lambda) \\ &= \theta(x - 2\theta + \lambda) \end{aligned}$$

Finally, as $\int B(\lambda, \theta^{(j)}) d\lambda = 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial R(\theta)}{\partial \theta} &= \int B(\lambda, \theta^{(j)}) \frac{\partial A(\theta, \lambda)}{\partial \theta} d\lambda \\ &= \theta(x - 2\theta) + \theta \int \lambda B(\lambda, \theta^{(j)}) d\lambda \\ &= \theta(x - 2\theta + \mathbb{E}[\lambda|\theta^{(j)}, x]) \end{aligned}$$

This leads us to :

$$\theta^{(j+1)} = \frac{1}{2}(x + \mathbb{E}[\lambda|\theta^{(j)}, x]) \quad (5)$$

However, we haven't computed $\mathbb{E}[\lambda|\theta^{(j)}, x]$ yet. Following Bayes's rule :

$$k(\lambda|\theta^{(j)}, x) = \frac{\pi(x|\theta^{(j)})\pi(\theta^{(j)}|\lambda)\pi(\lambda)}{\pi(x)\pi(\theta^{(j)}|x)}$$

We know $\pi(\theta^{(j)}|x)$ as we have calculated it during the following step. $\pi(x)$ is a constant that we can estimate by other means. We also know $\pi(x|\theta^{(j)}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x - \theta^{(j)})^2}{2}}$ and $\pi(\theta^{(j)}|\lambda) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(\theta^{(j)} - \lambda)^2}{2}}$. Using $\pi(\lambda) = 1$ seems strange (as $\pi(\lambda)$ should be a p.d.f), but we will stick to the problem's rules. Then,

$$\int \lambda k(\lambda|\theta^{(j)}, x) d\lambda = \frac{e^{-\frac{(x - \theta^{(j)})^2}{2}}}{\sqrt{2\pi}\pi(x)\pi(\theta^{(j)}|x)} \int \lambda \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(\theta^{(j)} - \lambda)^2}{2}} \pi(\lambda) d\lambda \quad (6)$$

$$= \frac{e^{-\frac{(x - \theta^{(j)})^2}{2}}}{\sqrt{2\pi}\pi(x)\pi(\theta^{(j)}|x)} \theta^{(j)}, \text{ if } \pi(\lambda) = 1 \quad (7)$$

Using (5) and (7), we can apply EM Algorithm to this bayesian hierarchical model.