

Problem 1:

In this problem we have the intractable integral $p_{\theta}(x) = \int p_{\theta}(z) * p_{\theta}(x|z) dz$. We can infer $p_{\theta}(z)$ from $p_{\theta}(z|x)$, but we do not know this either. So we are going to use $Q(z|x)$ from $\log(p_{\theta}(x)) = E_{q_{\sigma}}(\log p_{\theta}(x))$ to infer $P(z|x)$ to derive a loss function $L(x, \theta, \sigma)$. To start with we will use KL divergence to get

$$D_{KL}[Q(z|x) || P(z|x)] = E_{q_{\sigma}}[\log(Q(z|x) / P(z|x))] = E_{q_{\sigma}}[\log(Q(z|x)) - \log(P(z|x))].$$

From here Bayes rules can be used to further modify the equation.

$$D_{KL}[Q(z|x) || P(z|x)] = E_{q_{\sigma}}[\log(Q(z|x)) - \log(P(x|z) \cdot \log(z)) + \log(P(x))]$$

$$D_{KL}[Q(z|x) || P(z|x)] - \log(P(x)) = E_{q_{\sigma}}[\log(Q(z|x)) - \log(P(x|z) \cdot \log(P(z)))]$$

This equation can then be rearranged and multiplied by -1 to get

$$\log(P(x)) - D_{KL}[Q(z|x) || P(z|x)] = E_{q_{\sigma}}[\log(P(x|z)) - (\log(Q(z|x)) - \log(P(z)))]$$

$$\log(P(x)) - D_{KL}[Q(z|x) || P(z|x)] = E_{q_{\sigma}}[\log(P(x|z))] - E_{q_{\sigma}}[(\log(Q(z|x)) - \log(P(z)))]$$

$$\log(P(x)) - D_{KL}[Q(z|x) || P(z|x)] = E_{q_{\sigma}}[\log(P(x|z))] - D_{KL}[Q(z|x) || P(z)]$$

From here the loss function can be written as

$$L(x, \theta, \sigma) = E_{q_{\sigma}}[\log(P(x|z))] - D_{KL}[Q(z|x) || P(z)] + D_{KL}[Q(z|x) || P(z|x)]$$

It is important to note that $P(z|x)$ is an unknown variable and thus needs to be dropped from the equation. So, we get the following for the loss

$$L(x, \theta, \sigma) = E_{q_{\sigma}}[\log(P(x|z))] - D_{KL}[Q(z|x) || P(z)]$$

For the full symbol format
$$\mathcal{L}(\theta, \phi; \mathbf{x}^{(i)}) = -D_{KL}(q_{\phi}(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) || p_{\theta}(\mathbf{z})) + E_{q_{\phi}(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{x}^{(i)})} [\log p_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}|\mathbf{z})]$$

Question 2:

The LSGAN equation can be rewritten as

$$V(D) = \int 0.5(p_{\text{data}}(x)(D(x)-b)^2 + P_{\text{model}}(x)(D(x)-a)^2)dx$$

Taking the derivative equal to zero gives

$$V(D)^* = 0 = P_{\text{data}}(D(x)-b) + P_{\text{model}}(D(x)-a)$$

Rearranging

$$P_{\text{data}}(D(x)) + P_{\text{model}}D(x) = P_{\text{data}} * b + P_{\text{model}} * a$$

$$D^*_G(x) = (P_{\text{data}} * b + P_{\text{model}} * a) / (P_{\text{data}} + P_{\text{model}})$$

Two major differences stand out between the optimal value of D for LSGAN and GAN. The first is that the top part of the difference now contain a Pmodel factor for LSGAN that is not present in the GAN version. The second difference is that the value in the top of the difference in LSGAN are multiplied by a constant value, b and a.