# ALGORITHM FOR PMF BACKGROUND MODEL WITH WEIGHTS

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1. Model.

$$(1.1) X_{ij} = \sum_{k} Z_{ijk}$$

(1.2) 
$$Z_{ijk} \sim \text{Pois}(w_k l_{i0} f_{j0} l_{ik} f_{jk})$$

(1.3) 
$$l_{ik} \sim g_{L,k}(.), f_{jk} \sim g_{F,k}(.)$$

We assume that X is sparse: it has m nonzero elements and  $m \ll np$ .

**2. Notation.** For  $v \sim q(.)$ , I use

$$\bar{v} := E_q[v]$$

$$\hat{v} := exp(E_q[log(v)])$$

And in the algorithm, q is always the corresponding variational distribution for that variable

#### 3. Algorithm.

# 3.1. ELBO.

(3.1) ELBO = 
$$C_1 - C_2 + C_3$$

(3.2) 
$$C_1 = E[log \ p(Z|L, F, L_0, F_0)]$$

$$(3.3) \qquad = \sum_{ijk} \left( -w_k l_{i0} f_{j0} \bar{l}_{ik} \bar{f}_{jk} + \bar{Z}_{ijk} log(w_k l_{i0} f_{j0} \hat{l}_{ik} \hat{f}_{jk}) \right) - \sum_{ijk} E(log(Z_{ijk}!))$$

$$(3.4) C_2 = E[log \ q_Z(Z)]$$

(3.5) 
$$= \sum_{ijk} (\bar{Z}_{ijk} log(\zeta_{ijk})) + \sum_{ij} log(X_{ij}!) - \sum_{ijk} E(log(Z_{ijk}!))$$

(3.6) 
$$C_3 = E(\log \frac{g_L(L)}{q_L(L)} + \log \frac{g_F(F)}{q_F(F)})$$

The last part of  $C_1, C_2$  gets cancelled out.

For convenience, I introduce the following variable:

$$(3.7) B_{ijk} := w_k \hat{l}_{ik} \hat{f}_{jk}$$

$$(3.8) B_{ij} := \sum_{k} B_{ijk}$$

$$\Lambda_{ijk} := w_k \bar{l}_{ik} \bar{f}_{jk}$$

(3.10) 
$$\Lambda_{ij} := \sum_{k} \Lambda_{ijk}$$

Remark. In actual implementation:  $B_{ij}$  is computed and stored only for those where  $X_{ij} \neq 0$ ;  $\Lambda_{ij}$  is not computed nor stored.

# **3.2.** Update formula. In iteration t

1. update  $\bar{Z}_{ijk}$ 

Using Lagrange Multipler on parts relevant to  $\zeta$ , it's easy to see

$$\zeta_{ijk} \leftarrow \frac{B_{ijk}}{B_{ij}}$$

$$(3.12) \bar{Z}_{ijk} = X_{ij}\zeta_{ijk}$$

REMARK. We only need to compute  $\zeta_{ijk}$  where  $X_{ij} \neq 0$ , and we don't need to store this 3 dimensional array. The memory and runtime are only O(m), instead of O(npK).

2. update  $q_L, g_L, q_F, g_F$ By observing  $C_1 + C_3$ , we have

(3.13) 
$$(q_{L,k}, g_{L,k}, \mathrm{kl}_{L,k}) \leftarrow \mathrm{EBPM}(y_i = \bar{Z}_{i.k}, s_i = (\sum_i f_{j0} \bar{f}_{jk}) w_k l_{i0})$$

(3.14) 
$$(q_{F,k}, g_{F,k}, kl_{F,k}) \leftarrow EBPM(y_j = \bar{Z}_{.jk}, s_j = (\sum_i l_{i0}\bar{l}_{ik})w_k f_{j0})$$

Remark. The computation of KL-divergence will be explained later.

3. update  $B_{ij}$ 

(3.15) 
$$B_{ij} = B_{ij} - B_{ijk}^{(t-1)} + B_{ijk}^{(t)}$$

4. update  $l_{i0}, f_{j0}$ 

Take derivatives in  $C_1$  and use the fact that  $\sum_k \bar{Z}_{ijk} = X_{ij}$ , we have

(3.16) 
$$l_{i0} \leftarrow \frac{X_{i.}}{\sum_{j} f_{j0} \Lambda_{ij}} = \frac{X_{i.}}{\sum_{k} w_{k} \bar{l}_{ik} (\sum_{j} f_{j0} \bar{f}_{jk})}$$

(3.17) 
$$f_{j0} \leftarrow \frac{X_{.j}}{\sum_{i} l_{i0} \Lambda_{ij}} = \frac{X_{j.}}{\sum_{k} w_{k} \bar{f}_{jk} (\sum_{i} l_{i0} \bar{l}_{ik})}$$

REMARK. The computation is O((n+p)K)

5. update  $w_k$ 

It is easy to see

$$(3.18) w_k \leftarrow \frac{\sum_{ij} \bar{Z}_{ijk}}{\sum_{ij} l_{i0} f_{j0} \bar{l}_{ik} \bar{f}_{jk}}$$

**3.3. ELBO computation after update.** When we plug in the updates into the ELBO, we have

(3.19)

ELBO = 
$$\sum_{ij} (-l_{i0}f_{j0}\Lambda_{ij} + X_{ij}log(l_{i0}f_{j0}B_{ij}) - log(X_{ij}!)) + E(log\frac{g_L(L)}{q_L(L)} + log\frac{g_F(F)}{q_F(F)})$$

(3.20)
$$= \sum_{ij} (-l_{i0}f_{j0}\Lambda_{ij} + X_{ij}log(l_{i0}f_{j0}B_{ij}) - log(X_{ij}!)) - \sum_{k} KL(q_L(l_{Ik})|g_L(l_{Ik})) - \sum_{k} KL(q_F(f_{Jk})|g_F(f_{Jk}))$$

Remark. Again, we don't need to compute  $\Lambda$  in actual computation. The KLdivergence will be explained in the next section.

### Algorithm 3.1 EBPMF-WBG

Input: 
$$X_{IJ}$$
,  $I_{I0}$ ,  $f_{J0}$ ,  $q_L$ ,  $g_L$ ,  $q_F$ ,  $g_F$ ,  $B_{IJ}$ 

for  $t = 1, ..., T$  do

$$KL \leftarrow 0$$
for  $k = 1, ..., K$  do
$$B_{ijk} \leftarrow w_k \hat{l}_{ik} \hat{f}_{jk}$$

$$\bar{Z}_{ijk} \leftarrow X_{ij} \frac{B_{ijk}}{B_{ij}}$$

$$(q_{L,k}, g_{L,k}, kl_{L,k}) \leftarrow EBPM(y_i = \bar{Z}_{i.k}, s_i = (\sum_j f_{j0} \bar{f}_{jk}) w_k l_{i0})$$

$$(q_{F,k}, g_{F,k}, kl_{F,k}) \leftarrow EBPM(y_j = \bar{Z}_{.jk}, s_i = (\sum_i l_{i0} \bar{l}_{ik}) w_k f_{j0})$$

$$w_k \leftarrow \frac{\sum_{ij} X_{ij} (B_{ijk}/B_{ij})}{(\sum_i l_{i0} l_{ik}) (\sum_j f_{j0} \bar{f}_{jk})}$$

$$B_{ij} \leftarrow B_{ij} - B_{ijk} + w_k \hat{l}_{ik} \hat{f}_{jk}$$

$$KL \leftarrow KL + kl_{F,k} + kl_{L,k}$$
end
$$l_{i0} \leftarrow \frac{X_i}{\sum_k w_k \bar{l}_{ik} (\sum_j f_{j0} \bar{f}_{jk})}$$

$$f_{j0} \leftarrow \frac{X_j}{\sum_k w_k \bar{f}_{jk} (\sum_i l_{i0} \bar{l}_{ik})}$$

$$ELBO = \text{compute-elbo}(KL, X, B, \Lambda)$$

Output:  $X_{IJ}, l_{I0}, f_{J0}, q_L, g_L, q_F, g_F$ 

#### 3.4. Algorithm.

### 4. Compute KL divergence from EBPM. Consider the EBPM problem:

$$(4.1) y_i \sim Pois(s_i \lambda_i)$$

$$(4.2) \lambda_i \sim g(.)$$

Our procedure optimizes the marginal log-likelihood  $\sum_{i} log p(y_i)$  for  $g^*$ , then compute the posterior  $p(\lambda_i|y_i, g^*)$ .

The objective can be re-writen this way:

(4.3) 
$$\sum_{i} \log p(y_i) = \sum_{i} \log \frac{p(y_i|\lambda_i)g(\lambda_i)}{p(\lambda_i|y_i)}$$

$$= \sum_{i} E_{q(\lambda_i)}[log \ \frac{p(y_i|\lambda_i)g(\lambda_i)}{p(\lambda_i|y_i)}]$$

$$= \sum_{i} E_{q(\lambda_i)}[log \ p(y_i|\lambda_i)] - E_{q(\lambda_i)}\left[\frac{p(\lambda_i|y_i)}{g(\lambda_i)}\right]$$

Use  $q(\lambda_i) := p(\lambda_i|y_i)$ , we have

(4.6) 
$$-\mathrm{KL}(p(\boldsymbol{\lambda}|\boldsymbol{y})|g(\boldsymbol{\lambda})) = \log p(\boldsymbol{y}) - \sum_{i} E_{p(\lambda_{i}|y_{i})}[\log p(y_{i}|\lambda_{i})]$$

First term on RHS is given by EBPM; the second term can be easily computed.

5. Numerical Trick. Directly computing  $B_{ij}$  has the issue of overflows and underflows.

Let  $a_{ij} := \max_{k} log(B_{ijk})$ , and compute the following:

$$(5.1) b_{ijk} := log(B_{ijk}) - a_{ij}$$

$$(5.2) b_{ij} := log \sum_{k} \exp(b_{ijk})$$

We can recover the needed quanities with b:

$$\frac{B_{ijk}}{B_{ij}} = \exp(b_{ijk} - b_{ij})$$

$$(5.4) log(B_{ij}) = b_{ij} + a_{ij}$$

The advantage of using b instead of B is that computing  $exp(b_{ijk})$  is more numerically stable than computing  $B_{ijk}$ .