

Homework 2

● Graded

Student

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Total Points

80 / 100 pts

Question 1

Gaussian Processes

30 / 30 pts

✓ + 30 pts Both parts correctly answered with correct code and plots for part 2

+ 10 pts Correct expression for GP posterior

+ 8 pts Mostly correct expression for GP posterior but some minor errors

+ 5 pts GP posterior's derivation has some major mistakes but the overall approach is correct

+ 20 pts Correct code and plots and explanation

+ 16 pts Either some minor errors in code or in plots/explanation

+ 12 pts Some major errors in the code but overall answered this part satisfactorily

+ 0 pts Not attempted

Question 2

Speeding Up Gaussian Processes

16 / 20 pts

+ 20 pts All parts correct

+ 8 pts Correct posterior $p(t|X, f, Z)$ (needed in the marginalization step when computing the posterior predictive)

✓ + 6 pts Mostly correct posterior $p(t|X, f, Z)$ (needed in the marginalization step when computing the posterior predictive) with some minor errors

+ 4 pts Some steps shown for computing the posterior $p(t|X, f, Z)$ (needed in the marginalization step when computing the posterior predictive) but some major flaws

+ 8 pts Correct posterior predictive $p(y_*|x_*, X, Z, f)$

✓ + 6 pts Mostly correct posterior predictive $p(y_*|x_*, X, Z, f)$ with some minor errors

+ 4 pts Some steps show for computing posterior predictive $p(y_*|x_*, X, Z, f)$ but some major flaws

✓ + 4 pts Correct procedure to do MLE-II for estimating Z

+ 2 pts Gives the basic procedure for MLE-II but somewhat incomplete/incorrect

+ 0 pts Incorrect or not attempted

💬 Expression for $p(t|X, f, Z)$ (line 2 and line 3) is incorrect and therefore the remaining solution also has issues

Question 3

EM for Regression with Student-t Likelihood

16 / 30 pts

+ 30 pts Fully correct solution

+ 10 pts Correct CP for w

✓ + 5 pts Mistakes in CP of w or incomplete expression

+ 10 pts Correct CP for z_n

✓ + 5 pts Mistakes in CP of z_n or incomplete expression

✓ + 5 pts Correct steps for Gibbs sampler

✓ + 5 pts Correct steps for EM

+ 0 pts Incorrect or not attempted

🗨 - 4 pts 4 more marks deducted since you didn't specify the expression for the correct expectation of z_n in the EM algorithm

Question 4

EM for Sparse Modeling

18 / 20 pts

+ 20 pts Fully correct solution for all parts

+ 2 pts Part 1 (effort of the given prior on w) answered correctly

✓ + 4 pts Basic procedure for EM (calculating CLL and expected CLL) showed correctly

✓ + 3 pts Correct E step for w and correct CP

✓ + 3 pts Correct estimate for γ

✓ + 3 pts Correct estimate for σ^2

✓ + 3 pts Correct estimate for θ

✓ + 2 pts All other steps of EM showed properly

+ 0 pts Incorrect or did not attempt

🗨 Mistakes in the expression of CP of w

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1 Gaussian Processes:

1.1 Part 1:

$$\begin{aligned} P(f|y) &\propto P(f)P(y|f) \\ &= P(f) \prod_{i=1}^n P(y_i|f) \\ &= P(f)P(y|f) \\ &= N(f|0, K)N(y|f, \sigma^2 I) \\ &\propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}f^T K^{-1}f - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(y-f)^T(y-f)\right) \\ &\propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\left(f^T(K^{-1} + \frac{1}{\sigma^2}I)f - \frac{2}{\sigma^2}y^T f\right)\right) \end{aligned}$$

From the above equation we can see that the Posterior will be a Normal distribution. Let us consider the the posterior $P(f|y) = N(f|\mu, \Sigma) \propto \exp\left(\frac{1}{2}(f^T \Sigma^{-1} f - 2\mu^T \Sigma^{-1} f)\right)$. By comparing both the Expression of $P(f|y)$, we can get that,

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma^{-1} &= K^{-1} + \frac{1}{\sigma^2}I \\ \Rightarrow \Sigma &= (K^{-1} + \frac{1}{\sigma^2}I)^{-1} \\ \mu^T \Sigma^{-1} &= \frac{1}{\sigma^2}y^T \\ \Rightarrow \mu^T &= \frac{1}{\sigma^2}y^T \Sigma \\ \Rightarrow \mu &= \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \Sigma^T y \\ \Rightarrow \mu &= \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \Sigma y \end{aligned}$$

So, we can get $P(f|y) = N\left(f \middle| \mu = \frac{1}{\sigma^2}(K^{-1} + \frac{1}{\sigma^2}I)^{-1}y, \Sigma = (K^{-1} + \frac{1}{\sigma^2}I)^{-1}\right)$

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2 Speeding Up Gaussian:

2.1

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(y_*|x_*, X, f, Z) &= \int P(y_*, t|x_*, X, f, Z) dt [\text{where, } t \text{ is a vector}] \\
 &= \int P(y_*|x_*, Z, t) P(t|X, f, Z) dt \\
 &= \int P(y_*|x_*, Z, t) P(f|X, Z, t) P(t|Z) dt \\
 &= \int P(y_*|x_*, Z, t) \prod_{i=1}^n P(f_i|x_i, Z, t) P(t|Z) dt \\
 &= \int N(f_*|\tilde{k}_*^T \tilde{K}^{-1} t, \kappa(x_*, x_*) - \tilde{k}_n^T \tilde{K}^{-1} \tilde{k}_n) \prod_{i=1}^n N(f_i|\tilde{k}_i^T \tilde{K}^{-1} t, \kappa(x_i, x_i) - \tilde{k}_n^T \tilde{K}^{-1} \tilde{k}_i) N(t|0, \tilde{K}) dt
 \end{aligned}$$

From the above equation, we can see that the inversion of a $N \times N$ matrix for normal GP is reduced to inversion of a $M \times M$ matrix. Thus the computation cost is reduced from $O(n^3)$ to $O(m^3)$.

2.2

The MLE-II estimation of Z form or likelihood of f is given below:

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(f|X, Z) &= \prod_{i=1}^n P(f_i|x_i, Z) \\
 &= \prod_{i=1}^n \int P(f_i|x_i, Z, t) P(t|Z) dt \\
 &= \prod_{i=1}^n \int N(f_i|\tilde{k}_i^T \tilde{K}^{-1} t, \kappa(x_i, x_i) - \tilde{k}_n^T \tilde{K}^{-1} \tilde{k}_i) N(t|0, \tilde{K}) dt
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus taking gradient of the above marginal likelihood $P(f|X, Z)$, wrt Z , and evaluate it to 0, we will get the MLE-II estimate of the unknowns latent variable.

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3.1

Gibbs Sampling for sampling the conditional posterior to sample for the joint posterior $P(w, z_1, \dots, z_n | X, y)$
For $i = 1$ to S do the following :

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Initialize } z_1^0, \dots, z_n^0 \\ & w^{(i)} \sim P(w | y, X, \hat{z}_1^{i-1}, \dots, \hat{z}_n^{i-1}) \\ & \propto P(y | w, X, \hat{z}_1^{i-1}, \dots, \hat{z}_n^{i-1}) P(w) \\ & = \prod_{j=1}^n P(y_j | x_j, w, \hat{z}_j^{i-1}) P(w) \\ & = \prod_{j=1}^n N(y_j | w^T x_j, \frac{\sigma^2}{\hat{z}_j^{i-1}}) N(w | 0, \rho^2 I_D) \\ & = N(w | \mu_N, \Sigma_N) \\ & z_1^i \sim P(z_1 | \hat{w}^i, y_1, x_1) \\ & = P(y_1, z_1 | \hat{w}^i, x_1) \\ & = N(y_1 | \hat{w}^T x_1, \frac{\sigma^2}{z_1}) \text{Gamma}(z_1 | \frac{\nu}{2}, \frac{\nu}{2}) \\ & \dots \\ & z_n^i \sim P(z_n | \hat{w}^i, y_n, x_n) \\ & = P(y_n, z_n | \hat{w}^i, x_n) \\ & = N(y_n | \hat{w}^T x_n, \frac{\sigma^2}{z_n}) \text{Gamma}(z_n | \frac{\nu}{2}, \frac{\nu}{2}) \end{aligned}$$

In this way we will get $(w^i, z_1^i, \dots, z_n^i)_{i=1}^S$ S samples of the Unknowns by Gibbs sampler.

3.2 3.2

At the E Step of the EM algorithm, we will calculate the Posterior Distribution of each introduced latent variable z_n , as we have less amount of data to estimate the z_n . And M step is used

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to find the point estimate of the global parameter w .

For $t = 1$ to N do:

$$\begin{aligned} P(z_i^t | x_i, y_i, \hat{w}^{t-1}) &= P(y_i, z_i^t | x_i, \hat{w}^{t-1}) \\ &= N(y_i | \hat{w}^{t-1T} x_i, \frac{\sigma^2}{z_i^t}) \text{Gamma}(z_i^t | \frac{\nu}{2}, \frac{\nu}{2}) \end{aligned}$$

Now Let us assume $\gamma_t = E_{P(z_i^t | x_i, y_i, \hat{w}^{t-1})}[z_i^t]$

Now M Step :

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{w}^t &= \underset{w}{\operatorname{argmax}} Q(w^t, w^{t-1}) \\ &= \underset{w}{\operatorname{argmax}} \sum_{i=1}^n E_{P(z_i^t | x_i, y_i, \hat{w}^{t-1})} [\log P(x_n, z_n | \hat{w}^{t-1})] \\ &= \underset{w}{\operatorname{argmax}} \sum_{i=1}^n E_{P(z_i^t | x_i, y_i, \hat{w}^{t-1})} \log N(y_n | w^T x_n, \frac{\sigma^2}{\gamma_n}) \\ &= \underset{w}{\operatorname{argmax}} \sum_{i=1}^n \log N(y_n | w^T x_n, \frac{\sigma^2}{\gamma_t}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Now } \frac{\partial}{\partial w^t} \log N(y_n | w^T x_n, \frac{\sigma^2}{\gamma_t}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow w^t = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n y_n x_n \gamma_t}{\sum_{i=1}^n x_n^T x_n \gamma_t}$$

Thus, we will be repeating the E step and M step in the above way to find the weights.

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4.1

By the above expression, the prior is actually becoming a mixture of Gaussian Expert models, i.e. the weight is choosing a Gaussian Prior probabilistically based on γ . It also makes some prior dimension more sparse.

4.2

As we know, we need to calculate the Posterior distribution of w in the E step, and point estimate of σ^2, γ, θ in the M step from the expectation of Posterior of Complete log likelihood on the Posterior Probability distribution of w .

For $t = 1$ to T do :

Initialize the $\sigma^{20}, \gamma^0, \theta^0$

E Step :

$$\begin{aligned} P(w^t | y, X, \sigma^{2t-1}, \gamma^{t-1}, \theta^{t-1}) &\propto P(y | X, w^t, \sigma^{2t-1}) P(w^t | \sigma^{2t-1}, \gamma^{t-1}, \theta^{t-1}) \\ &= N(y | w^{tT} X, \sigma^{2t} I) \prod_{d=1}^D P(w_d^t | \sigma^{2t-1}, \gamma^{t-1}, \theta^{t-1}) \\ &= N(y | X w, \sigma^{2t-1} I) N(w | 0, \sigma^{2t-1} \text{diag}(\kappa_{\gamma_1}, \dots, \kappa_{\gamma_D})) \\ &= N(w | \mu_t, \Sigma_t) \end{aligned}$$

where,

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma_t &= \frac{1}{\sigma^{2t-1}} X^T X + \frac{1}{\sigma^{2t-1}} \text{diag}\left(\frac{1}{\kappa_{\gamma_1}}, \dots, \frac{1}{\kappa_{\gamma_D}}\right) \\ \mu_t &= \Sigma_t \left[\frac{1}{\sigma^2} X^T y \right] \end{aligned}$$

M Step : (MAP estimate of the CLL)

$$\begin{aligned} (\hat{\sigma}^{2t}, \hat{\gamma}^t, \hat{\theta}^t) &= \argmax E_{P(w^t | y, X, \sigma^{2t-1}, \gamma^{t-1}, \theta^{t-1})} \log P(y, w^t | \sigma^2, \gamma, \theta, X) P(\sigma^2) P(\gamma | \theta) P(\theta) \\ &= \argmax \log P(y, \mu_t | \sigma^2, \gamma, \theta, X) P(\sigma^2) P(\gamma | \theta) P(\theta) \\ &= \argmax \log P(y, \mu_t | \sigma^2, \gamma, \theta, X) P(\sigma^2) P(\gamma | \theta) P(\theta) \\ &= \argmax \log P(y | X, \mu_t, \sigma^2) P(\mu_t | \sigma^2, \gamma, \theta) P(\sigma^2) P(\gamma | \theta) P(\theta) \\ &= \argmax \log N(y | \mu_t^T X, \sigma^2 I) N(\mu_t | 0, \sigma^2 \text{diag}(\kappa_{\gamma_1}, \dots, \kappa_{\gamma_D})) IG(\sigma^2 | \frac{\gamma}{2}, \frac{\gamma \lambda}{2}) \\ &= \argmax L \text{ [Let us assume } L \text{ denote the complete expression]} \end{aligned}$$

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Now taking partial derivative of L wrt each of the unknown to get the point estimate.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma^2} L = 0 \\
\Rightarrow \sigma^2 &= \frac{\|y - \mu_t^T X\| + w^T \text{diag}(\frac{1}{\kappa_{\gamma_1}}, \dots, \kappa_{\gamma_D}) w + \gamma \lambda}{\gamma + 2} \\
& \frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} = 0 \\
\Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\log \text{Beta}(\theta | a_0, b_0) + \log P(\gamma)) &= 0 \\
\Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} ((a_0 - 1) \log \theta + (b_0 - 1) \log(1 - \theta) + \sum_{d=1}^D (\gamma_d \log \theta + (1 - \gamma_d) \log(1 - \theta))) &= 0 \\
\Rightarrow \theta &= \frac{a_0 - 1 + \sum_{d=1}^D \gamma_d}{a_0 + b_0 - 2 + D}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\partial}{\partial \gamma_d} [\mu_{t_d}^2 \frac{1}{\kappa_{\gamma_d}} + \gamma_d \log \theta + (1 - \gamma_d) \log(1 - \theta)] = 0 \\
\Rightarrow \gamma_d &= \frac{1}{\gamma_1 - \gamma_0} \left[\sqrt{\frac{\mu_{t_d}^2 (\nu_1 - \nu_0)}{\log(1 - \theta) - \log \theta}} - \nu_0 \right]
\end{aligned}$$

Thus from the above equations, we get the point estimate of $\sigma^{2^t}, \theta^t, \gamma_d^t$. Thus, E Step and M Step will keep on repeating itself until convergence.