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cs 573: Probabilistic Reasoning
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Review

- Assignment # 4 due March 9
- Exam 1 may be graded by March 11
- Last lecture:
 - Loopy Belief Propagation Algorithm
 - Very brief intro to Gaussian Distributions
- Today's objective
 - Inference in Gaussian Networks

Multi-variate Gaussian Distribution

- Eq. 7.1

$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \right]$$

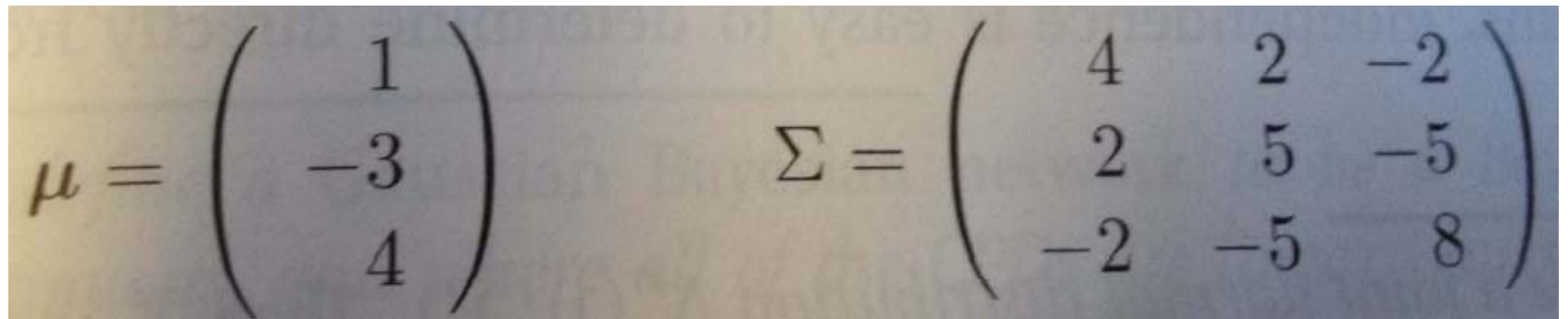
- Mean vector, $\boldsymbol{\mu}$; $\boldsymbol{\mu} = \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{X})$; μ_i is mean of X_i
- Σ is $n \times n$ covariance matrix,
 - $\Sigma = \mathbf{E}[\mathbf{X} \mathbf{X}^T] - \mathbf{E}[\mathbf{X}] \mathbf{E}[\mathbf{X}^T]$
 - $\Sigma_{i,i}$ is the variance of X_i ;
 - $\Sigma_{i,j} = \Sigma_{j,i}$ is the *covariance* between X_i and X_j
 - $\text{Cov}[X_i; X_j] = \mathbf{E}[X_i X_j] - \mathbf{E}[X_i] \mathbf{E}[X_j]$
- Σ must be positive definite, $\mathbf{x}^T \Sigma \mathbf{x} > 0$, $\mathbf{x} \neq 0$, for density to be well defined; Equivalent property: all eigenvalues are > 0
- *Standard* Multivariate Gaussian: $\boldsymbol{\mu} = \mathbf{0}$ (vector), $\Sigma = I$ (identity matrix) (1s on diagonal, 0s elsewhere)

Multi-variate Gaussian Distribution

- 2-D example

$$\boldsymbol{\mu} = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_x \\ \mu_y \end{pmatrix}, \quad \boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_x^2 & \rho\sigma_x\sigma_y \\ \rho\sigma_x\sigma_y & \sigma_y^2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- 3-D example



A photograph of handwritten mathematical expressions for a 3-D Gaussian distribution. The mean vector μ is written as a column vector with elements 1, -3, and 4. The covariance matrix Σ is written as a 3x3 symmetric matrix with elements: top row [4, 2, -2], middle row [2, 5, -5], and bottom row [-2, -5, 8].

$$\mu = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad \Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 & -2 \\ 2 & 5 & -5 \\ -2 & -5 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

Marginalize a Gaussian Distribution

- For multiple variables, best not to expand the terms

$$p(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) = \mathcal{N} \left(\begin{pmatrix} \mu_{\mathbf{X}} \\ \mu_{\mathbf{Y}} \end{pmatrix}; \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}} & \Sigma_{\mathbf{X}\mathbf{Y}} \\ \Sigma_{\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{X}} & \Sigma_{\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{Y}} \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

- 1st term in matrix above is $n \times n$, 2nd is $n \times m$, and 3rd is $m \times n$, 4th is $m \times m$ (\mathbf{X} has n elements, \mathbf{Y} has m elements)
- Can be shown that marginal over \mathbf{Y} (sum out \mathbf{X}) is Gaussian, given by $\mathcal{N}(\mu_{\mathbf{Y}}, \Sigma_{\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{Y}})$
 - Derivation is straight-forward but requires some manipulation of matrix terms; for a derivation see <http://fourier.eng.hmc.edu/e161/lectures/gaussianprocess/node7.html>

Computing Conditional Distribution

- Say $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{y}$
- Substitute in the density formula; consider 2 variable case

$$f(x, y) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_x\sigma_y\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2(1-\rho^2)} \left[\frac{(x-\mu_x)^2}{\sigma_x^2} + \frac{(y-\mu_y)^2}{\sigma_y^2} - \frac{2\rho(x-\mu_x)(y-\mu_y)}{\sigma_x\sigma_y} \right]\right),$$

- Result is $p(X)$, y is treated as a constant (parameter)
- Equation represents a valid Gaussian
- For multi-variate case, expressions for the new $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ and Σ are complex and require some matrix inversions
 - See next slide

Conditional Distribution Formulas

From Wikipedia

If μ and Σ are partitioned as follows

$$\mu = \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \end{bmatrix} \text{with sizes} \begin{bmatrix} q \times 1 \\ (N - q) \times 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{11} & \Sigma_{12} \\ \Sigma_{21} & \Sigma_{22} \end{bmatrix} \text{with sizes} \begin{bmatrix} q \times q & q \times (N - q) \\ (N - q) \times q & (N - q) \times (N - q) \end{bmatrix}$$

then, the distribution of \mathbf{x}_1 conditional on $\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{a}$ is multivariate normal $(\mathbf{x}_1 | \mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{a}) \sim N(\bar{\mu}, \bar{\Sigma})$ where

$$\bar{\mu} = \mu_1 + \Sigma_{12} \Sigma_{22}^{-1} (\mathbf{a} - \mu_2)$$

and covariance matrix

$$\bar{\Sigma} = \Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12} \Sigma_{22}^{-1} \Sigma_{21}. \quad [8]$$

Information Form

- Information matrix, J , (also called precision matrix)

$$J = \Sigma^{-1}$$

$$-1/2 (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) = -1/2 (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T J (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})$$

$$= -1/2 [\mathbf{x}^T J \mathbf{x} - 2\mathbf{x}^T J \boldsymbol{\mu} + \boldsymbol{\mu}^T J \boldsymbol{\mu}]$$

$$p(\mathbf{x}) \propto \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T J \mathbf{x} + (J \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \mathbf{x} \right]$$

- $\mathbf{h} = J\boldsymbol{\mu}$ is called the potential vector
- J must be positive definite (also symmetric)
- Conditioning:
 - Info form has terms such as $(1/2) * J_{ii} x_i^2 - J_{ij} x_i x_j + h_i x_i + \text{constant}$
 - If X_i is in evidence (conditioning set), linear term and square terms (containing only x_i) become constants, product term becomes linear
 - Resulting form is same as original information form

Canonical Form

- Similar to information form
- Expand the Gaussian density expression as:

$$\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2}|\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})\right) \\ = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{x}^T \Sigma^{-1} \mathbf{x} + \boldsymbol{\mu}^T \Sigma^{-1} \mathbf{x} - \frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{\mu}^T \Sigma^{-1} \boldsymbol{\mu} - \log\left((2\pi)^{n/2}|\Sigma|^{1/2}\right)\right)$$

- Let:

$$\begin{aligned} K &= \Sigma^{-1} \\ h &= \Sigma^{-1} \boldsymbol{\mu} \\ g &= -\frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{\mu}^T \Sigma^{-1} \boldsymbol{\mu} - \log\left((2\pi)^{n/2}|\Sigma|^{1/2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{X}; K, \mathbf{h}, g) = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{X}^T K \mathbf{X} + \mathbf{h}^T \mathbf{X} + g\right) \quad \text{Eq 14.1}$$

- Note K is same as J in information form

Conditional Distribution in Canonical Form

- In canonical form, marginalize over Y (eq 14.6)

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} K_{XX} & K_{XY} \\ K_{YX} & K_{YY} \end{bmatrix} ; \quad h = \begin{pmatrix} h_X \\ h_Y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} K' &= K_{XX} \\ h' &= h_X - K_{XY}y \\ g' &= g + h_Y^T y - \frac{1}{2} y^T K_{YY} y \end{aligned}$$

Independencies

- X_i and X_j are independent *iff* $\Sigma_{i,j} = 0$ (no edge in directed graph)
- $J_{i,j} = 0$ *iff* $(X_i \perp X_j \mid X - \{X_i, X_j\})$
 - Information matrix directly defines a minimal I-map
 - If $J_{i,j} \neq 0$, edge between i and j nodes (in undirected graph)
- Ex 7.2

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} 0.3125 & -0.125 & 0 \\ -0.125 & 0.5833 & 0.3333 \\ 0 & 0.3333 & 0.3333 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mu = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad \Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 & -2 \\ 2 & 5 & -5 \\ -2 & -5 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

Gaussian Bayesian Networks (GBN)

- In a GBN, all variables are continuous; all CPDs are linear

Gaussian

Let Y be a continuous variable with continuous parents X_1, \dots, X_k . We say that Y has a linear Gaussian model if there are parameters β_0, \dots, β_k and σ^2 such that

$$p(Y \mid x_1, \dots, x_k) = \mathcal{N}(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_k x_k; \sigma^2).$$

In vector notation,

$$p(Y \mid \mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{N}(\beta_0 + \beta^T \mathbf{x}; \sigma^2).$$

– Thm 7.3

Given: $p(Y \mid \mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{N}(\beta_0 + \beta^T \mathbf{x}; \sigma^2)$; X_1, \dots, X_k distributed as $\mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \Sigma)$

We can show that: Y is a normal distribution $\mathcal{N}(\mu_Y; \sigma_Y^2)$

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_Y &= \beta_0 + \beta^T \boldsymbol{\mu} \\ \sigma_Y^2 &= \sigma^2 + \beta^T \Sigma \beta\end{aligned}$$

Also that $\{X, Y\}$ is a normal distribution where

$$\text{Cov}[X_i; Y] = \sum_{j=1}^k \beta_j \Sigma_{i,j}.$$

Distribution to GBN

- Previous slide shows how given a GBN (network parameters), we can get joint distribution parameters.
- Reverse: given the joint distribution, recover the linear model (thm 7.4)

Given:

$$p(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) = \mathcal{N} \left(\begin{pmatrix} \mu_X \\ \mu_Y \end{pmatrix}; \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{XX} & \Sigma_{XY} \\ \Sigma_{YX} & \Sigma_{YY} \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

Derive:

$$p(Y | \mathbf{X}) = \mathcal{N} \left(\beta_0 + \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}; \sigma^2 \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_0 &= \mu_Y - \Sigma_{YX} \Sigma_{XX}^{-1} \mu_X \\ \boldsymbol{\beta} &= \Sigma_{XX}^{-1} \Sigma_{YX} \\ \sigma^2 &= \Sigma_{YY} - \Sigma_{YX} \Sigma_{XX}^{-1} \Sigma_{XY} \end{aligned}$$

Distribution to GBN

- Given a distribution over n variables, we can construct a GBN (BN with linear Gaussian Models) that is an I-map of the distribution
- A key difference with discrete case: number of parameters in GBN is not necessarily smaller than in the joint distribution itself as the joint distribution is compact by itself.
- We can also go from distributions to Markov networks
 - J_{ij} help define pairwise (log) potentials
 - However, additional complexity in case of MN; not every set of potentials induces a valid Gaussian distributions
 - Sufficient but not necessary condition is that each edge potential be normalizable (corresponding information matrix is positive definite)
 - We skip other details of Gaussian Markov Random Fields (sec 7.3)

Inference in Networks with Continuous Variables

- Essentially, all the algorithms for discrete case apply
- Sum-Product algorithm
 - Steps consist of multiplying factors (product) and marginalizing over some variables (sum) and passing messages to other nodes
 - Iterate until convergence (two passes suffice for trees)
 - We already know how to marginalize Gaussians
 - Now consider product and division

Marginalize in Canonical Form

- More complex than in covariance form (eq 14.5)

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} K_{XX} & K_{XY} \\ K_{YX} & K_{YY} \end{bmatrix} ; \quad h = \begin{pmatrix} h_X \\ h_Y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} K' &= K_{XX} - K_{XY} K_{YY}^{-1} K_{YX} \\ h' &= h_X - K_{XY} K_{YY}^{-1} h_Y \\ g' &= g + \frac{1}{2} \left(\log |2\pi K_{YY}^{-1}| + h_Y^T K_{YY}^{-1} h_Y \right) \end{aligned}$$

- We can switch between the covariance and canonical forms, depending on the desired computation
 - However, switching requires inverting K or Σ matrices as well.

Operations on Canonical Forms

- Product of two canonical forms over the same set of variables:
- $C(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{K}_1, \mathbf{h}_1, g_1) \cdot C(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{K}_2, \mathbf{h}_2, g_2) = C(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{K}_1 + \mathbf{K}_2, \mathbf{h}_1 + \mathbf{h}_2, g_1 + g_2)$
 - Formula follows from the definition of the canonical form; we are just multiplying two Gaussians over \mathbf{X}
 - If scopes of two factors are different, expand each by including zeros entries in \mathbf{K} and \mathbf{h} for entries corresponding to absent variables
- Example 14.1

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_1(X, Y) &= C\left(X, Y; \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, -3\right) \\ \phi_2(Y, Z) &= C\left(Y, Z; \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, 1\right).\end{aligned}$$

$$\phi_1(X, Y, Z) = C\left(X, Y, Z; \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, -3\right)$$

Example 14.2

- After multiplication

$$\mathcal{C} \left(X, Y, Z; \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 4 & -2 \\ 0 & -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, -2 \right)$$

- Division

$$\frac{\mathcal{C}(K_1, \mathbf{h}_1, g_1)}{\mathcal{C}(K_2, \mathbf{h}_2, g_2)} = \mathcal{C}(K_1 - K_2, \mathbf{h}_1 - \mathbf{h}_2, g_1 - g_2)$$

- Vacuous Canonical Form
 - $K = 0$, and $\mathbf{h} = 0$, $g = 0$
 - Similar to factor with all 1 in discrete case
 - Multiplying by it has no effect, but can be used to initialize potentials and make them “ready” for passing messages

SP and BP Algorithms

- Sum-Product algorithm
 - As before; need to show that resulting factors maintain K matrices to be positive definite so integration is not infinite
 - Shown in Proposition 14.1
- Gaussian Belief Propagation
 - Similar steps as in discrete case but the observation that the potentials are quadratic simplifies the equations (eqs 14.7 to 14.9)
 - **Interesting property:** If BP converges, resulting beliefs encode the correct means but estimated variances are underestimates (overconfident estimates)
 - Also convergence guaranteed if pairwise normalizability condition holds.
- We skip other details

Next Class

- Read section 11.5.1 of the KF book