# Comparing priors over binary matrices within latent feature models framework

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#### The Beta-Bernoulli model: Gibbs Sampler

The aim is to sample binary matrices Z according to the Beta-Bernoulli Model. Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{\tilde{N} \times D}, X \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times D}, \alpha < 0, \theta > -\alpha$ :

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Algorithm 1: GibbsSamplerbetabernoulli
Data: X, A, \sigma_x, \sigma_A, BurnInIterations, Iterations
Result: collection of 7 matrices
for iter \leftarrow 1 to BurnInIterations + Iterations do
    for i \leftarrow 1 to N do
        K \leftarrow number of non-empty columns of Z_{-i};
       for i \leftarrow 1 to K do
            Sample already observed features;
       end
        Sample new features;
    end
    Compute E[A|X,Z] and log[P(X,Z)] \leftarrow Eq. (12)+(21)
    if iter > BurnInIterations then
        Add Z to the collection:
    end
```

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# Sampling observed features:update $z_{i,j}$

Let K be the number of non-null columns of  $Z_{-i}$ . Let  $m \in \mathbb{R}^K$  be the vector that tells us how many subjects (except i) have feature j,  $j \leq K$ 

#### Algorithm 2: Sample observed features

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Data: X, A, Z, \sigma_x, \sigma_A, i, j, m_i
Result: 7
z_{i,i} \leftarrow 1;
P(X|Z) \leftarrow \text{see eq. } (21);
P(z_{ij}=1\,|\,z_{-i})\leftarrow \frac{m_j-\alpha}{\theta+l\,n-1};
z_{i,i} \leftarrow 0;
P(X|Z) \leftarrow \text{see eq. } (21);
P(z_{ii} = 0 | z_{-i}) \leftarrow 1 - P(z_{ii} = 1 | z_{-i});
P(z_{il} = 1 | X, Z_{-i,i}) \propto P(X|Z) \cdot P(z_{ii} = 1 | z_{-i});
P(z_{il} = 0 | X, Z_{-i,i}) \propto P(X|Z) \cdot P(z_{ii} = 0 | z_{-i});
Normalize the probabilities:
prob\_param \leftarrow P(z_{il} = 1 \mid X, Z_{-i});
z_{ii} \sim \mathsf{Bernoulli}(prob\_param)
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#### Sampling of new features

Let w be the number of new features observed by subject i. In this step we sample w:

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Algorithm 3: Sample new features
Data: X, A, Z, \sigma_x, \sigma_A, i
Result: Z
W \leftarrow \widetilde{N} - K
prob_param = 1 - \frac{\theta + \alpha + n - 1}{\theta + n - 1};
Initialize prob_vector of dimension W to 0;
for h \leftarrow 0, 1, \dots, W do
    prob\_vector_h \leftarrow BinomialProbability(W, prob\_param, K = h);
    update Z;
    Calculate P(X|Z):
    P(w = h | X, Z) \propto P(X|Z) \cdot prob\_vector_h;
end
Normalize prob_vector;
Sample w \sim \text{Discrete}(\mathbf{prob\_vector});
Update Z;
```

# The Indian Buffet Process: Gibbs Sampler

The aim is to sample binary matrices Z according to the IBP.

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Let A \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times D}, X \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times D} (K unbounded), 0 \le \alpha \le 1, \theta \ge \alpha, \gamma \ge 0:
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```
Algorithm 4: GibbsSamplerIBP
Data: X, A, \sigma_{x}, \sigma_{A}, BurnInIterations, Iterations
Result: collection of 7 matrices
for iter \leftarrow 1 to BurnInIterations + Iterations do
    for i \leftarrow 1 to N do
        K \leftarrow number of non-empty columns of Z_{-i};
        for i \leftarrow 1 to K do
            Sample already observed features;
        end
        Sample new features, IBP:
    end
    Compute E[A|X,Z] and log[P(X,Z)] \leftarrow Eq. (12)+(21)
    if iter > BurnInIterations then
        Add Z to the collection;
    end
end
```

### IBP:Sampling new features

Let w be the number of new features observed by subject i. In this step we sample w:

```
Algorithm 5: Sample new features, IBP
Data: X, A, Z, \sigma_x, \sigma_A, \alpha, \theta, \gamma
Result: Z
W \leftarrow \mathsf{UB} - K; //UB = 10 if K > 20;5 otherwise
prob_param = \gamma \cdot \frac{(\theta + \alpha)_n}{(\theta + 1)_n};
Initialize prob_vector of dimension W to all 0;
for h \leftarrow 0, 1, \dots, W do
    prob\_vector_h \leftarrow PoissonProbability(prob\_param, k = h);
    Update Z:
    Calculate P(X|Z);
    P(w = h | X, Z) \propto P(X|Z) \cdot prob\_vector_h;
end
Normalize prob_vector;
Sample w \sim \text{Discrete}(\mathbf{prob\_vector});
Update Z;
```

# Metropolis-Hastings Step for $\sigma_x$

#### **Algorithm 6:** Metropolis-Hastings step for updating $\sigma_{x}$

```
Data: Z, X, A, \sigma_A, \sigma_X^{\text{(current)}}, proposal variance, prior variance
 Result: Updated \sigma_X
Generate proposal \sigma_x^{\text{(new)}} from \mathcal{N}(\sigma_x^{\text{(current)}}, \sqrt{\text{proposal variance}});
if \sigma_{x}^{(new)} < 0 then
     return \sigma_x^{(\text{current})}; ; // Ensure proposed \sigma_x is positive
end
 Compute M^{\text{(current)}} and M^{\text{(new)}} matrices:
 Calculate log-likelihoods, log P(X|Z, \sigma_x^{(current)}, \sigma_A), with \sigma_x^{(current)};
 Calculate log-likelihoods, log P(X|Z, \sigma_x^{(new)}, \sigma_A), with \sigma_x^{(new)};
\begin{aligned} & \text{Calculate log-priors, log}\left(e^{-\frac{1}{2}\frac{\sigma_X^{(\text{current})^2}}{\text{prior variance}}}\right)\!, \text{ for current } \sigma_X^{(\text{current})}; \\ & \text{Calculate log-priors log}\left(e^{-\frac{1}{2}\frac{\sigma_X^{(\text{new})^2}}{\text{prior variance}}}\right) \text{ for new } \sigma_X^{(\text{new})}; \end{aligned}
Compute log acceptance ratio log \left(\frac{\text{new\_log\_likelihood} \times \text{new\_log\_prior}}{\text{current\_log\_likelihood} \times \text{current\_log\_prior}}\right);
 Sample from uniform distribution;
if \log(uniform()) < \log(acceptance\ ratio) then
        return \sigma_{\cdot}^{(\text{new})}.
else
        return \sigma_{\star}^{(\text{current})}:
end
```

# Metropolis-Hastings Step for $\sigma_a$

#### **Algorithm 7:** Metropolis-Hastings step for updating $\sigma_a$

```
Data: Z, X, A, \sigma_x, \sigma_a^{\text{(current)}}, proposal variance, prior variance
 Result: Updated \sigma_a
 Generate proposal \sigma_a^{\text{(new)}} from \mathcal{N}(\sigma_a^{\text{(current)}}, \sqrt{\text{proposal variance}});
 if \sigma_{2}^{(new)} < 0 then
        return \sigma_a^{\text{(current)}}; ; // Ensure proposed \sigma_a is positive
 end
 Compute M^{\text{(current)}} and M^{\text{(new)}} matrices:
 Calculate log-likelihoods, log P(X|Z, \sigma_a^{\text{(current)}}, \sigma_X), with \sigma_a^{\text{(current)}};
 Calculate log-likelihoods, \log P(X|Z, \sigma_a^{(\text{new})}, \sigma_x), with \sigma_a^{(\text{new})};
 \begin{aligned} & \text{Calculate log-priors, log}\left(e^{-\frac{1}{2}\frac{\sigma_{\text{current}}^{(\text{current})^2}}{\text{prior variance}}}\right), \text{ for } \sigma_{\text{a}}^{(\text{current})}; \\ & \text{Calculate log-priors, log}\left(e^{-\frac{1}{2}\frac{\sigma_{\text{n}}^{(\text{new})^2}}{\text{prior variance}}}\right), \text{ for } \sigma_{\text{a}}^{(\text{new})}; \end{aligned}
 Compute log acceptance ratio log \left(\frac{\text{new\_log\_likelihood} \times \text{new\_log\_prior}}{\text{current\_log\_likelihood} \times \text{current\_log\_prior}}\right);
 Sample from uniform distribution;
 if \log(uniform()) < \log(acceptance\ ratio) then
        return \sigma_{2}^{(\text{new})}.
 else
        return \sigma_2^{\text{(current)}}:
 end
```

# Updating $\sigma_x$ and $\sigma_a$ within the Gibbs Sampler

During each iteration of the Gibbs Sampler, the hyperparameters  $\sigma_{x}$  and  $\sigma_{a}$  are updated. This is achieved by calling the Metropolis-Hastings update functions described in the previous slides.

- The proposal variance for  $\sigma_x$  is calculated as  $0.1 \times \sigma_x$ .
- The proposal variance for  $\sigma_a$  is calculated as  $0.1 \times \sigma_a$ .
- The function metropolis\_step\_sigma\_x() updates  $\sigma_x$  based on the calculated proposal variance and the prior variance.
- Similarly, metropolis\_step\_sigma\_a() updates  $\sigma_a$ .

These update steps are a crucial part of ensuring the Gibbs Sampler explores the parameter space effectively.

# The Beta-Bernoulli model: sampling matrix A

We add the update of the matrix A:

Algorithm 8: GibbsSamplerbetabernoulli

```
Data: X, A, \sigma_x, \sigma_A, BurnInIterations, Iterations
Result: collection of 7 matrices
for iter \leftarrow 1 to BurnInIterations + Iterations do
    for i \leftarrow 1 to N do
        K \leftarrow number of non-empty columns of Z_{-i};
        for i \leftarrow 1 to K do
            Sample already observed features;
        end
        Sample new features;
    end
    Update \sigma_x;
    Update \sigma_a:
    Update A:
    Compute E[A|X,Z] and log[P(X,Z)] \leftarrow Eq. (12)+(21)
    if iter > BurnInIterations then
        Add Z to the collection;
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```

#### Gaussian Prior for A

We then generalized this model w.r.t. different possible priors of A. At each iteration of the Gibbs Sampler, we update A and sample from it.

Let 
$$au = \frac{1}{\sigma_{A_{n+1}}^2}$$
:

#### Algorithm 9: Update A

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 \begin{aligned} &\textbf{Data: } Z, X, \sigma_{x}, \sigma_{A} \\ &\textbf{Result: } \text{ updated A} \\ &\tau = \frac{1}{\sigma_{A_{n}}^{2}} I_{k} + \frac{1}{\sigma_{x}^{2}} Z^{T} Z; \\ &\sigma_{A_{n+1}}^{2} = \frac{1}{\tau}; \text{ } // \text{ posterior variance of A;} \\ &\mu_{A_{n+1}} = \sigma_{A_{n+1}}^{2} Z^{T} X \frac{1}{\sigma_{x}^{2}}; \text{ } // \text{ posterior mean of A;} \\ &\textbf{for } k \leftarrow 0, 1, \dots, K \textbf{ do} \\ & & \textbf{ for } d \leftarrow 0, 1, \dots, D \textbf{ do} \\ & & & | A_{k,d} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{A_{n+1}}(k,d), \sigma_{A_{n+1}}(k,k)) \text{ } // \text{ updated values of A} \\ &\textbf{end} \end{aligned}
```

#### Alternative Prior for A

Now we consider the following prior for the *i*-th row of *A*:

$$A_i \mid \mu_i, \sigma^2 \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_i, \sigma^2),$$

with  $\mu_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, c \, \sigma^2)$  and  $\sigma^2 \sim \textit{invgamma}(a, b)$ 

```
Algorithm 10: Update A and \sigma_A
Data: Z, X, a, b, c
Result: updated A
Update a and b;
\sigma^2 \sim invgamma(a, b); // posterior variance
for d \leftarrow 0, 1, \dots, D do
   \mu_d \sim \mathcal{N}(0, c \sigma^2); // posterior mean, with c: multiplicative constant
end
for k \leftarrow 0, 1, \dots, K do
    for d \leftarrow 0, 1, \dots, D do
        A_{k,d} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_d, \sigma^2); // updated values of A
    end
end
```

#### Domande

- Aggiungere qua le domande
- Come scegliere i valori iniziali di a e b
- Come scegliere c
- In generale, è corretto usare Metropolis-Hastings per l'aggiornamento di  $\sigma_x$  e  $\sigma_a$ , oppure è possibile fare sampling dalle full-conditionals  $P(\sigma_x|\text{resto})$  e  $P(\sigma_a|\text{resto})$  e fare update con Gibbs sampler? Oppure posso ricavare una distribuzione nota della posterior dal prodotto likelyhood\*prior?
- Se Metropolis-Hastings è appropriato, assumo come prior su  $\sigma_x$  e  $\sigma_a$  una normale con media zero e varianza 1?
- Come metodo per generare la proposal sigma, è corretto quello indicato nell'algoritmo?