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3 Stochastic Variational Inference – Exercises

3.1 Exponential family

Show that the following distributions are in the exponential family:

- a) Beta-distribution
- b) Binomial-distribution
- c) Dirichlet-distribution
- d) Multinomial-distribution
- e) LogNormal-distribution

3.1.1 Solution

Exponential family

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A distribution $p(x|\theta)$ is in the exponential family

$$\text{if } p(x|\theta) = h(x) \exp \{ \eta(\theta) t(x) - A(\theta) \}$$

c) Dirichlet-distribution

$$\begin{aligned} p(x|\alpha) &= \frac{1}{B(\alpha)} \prod_{i=1}^K x_i^{\alpha_i-1} = \exp \left\{ \log \frac{1}{B(\alpha)} \prod_{i=1}^K x_i^{\alpha_i-1} \right\} \\ &= \exp \left\{ -\log B(\alpha) + \sum_{i=1}^K (\alpha_i-1) \log x_i \right\} = \exp \left\{ \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^K \alpha_i \log x_i}_{A(\alpha)} - \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^K \log x_i}_{-\log B(\alpha)} \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{\prod_{i=1}^K x_i} \cdot \exp \left\{ \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^K \alpha_i \log x_i}_{\eta(\alpha)} - \underbrace{\log B(\alpha)}_{A(\alpha)} \right\} = h(x) \exp \{ \eta(\alpha) t(x) - A(\alpha) \} \quad \text{QED} \\ h(x) &= [\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_K] \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \log x_1 \\ \vdots \\ \log x_K \end{bmatrix} \\ \eta(\alpha) &\downarrow \\ t(x) &\downarrow \end{aligned}$$

Note $\eta(\alpha) = \alpha$ above. This is called the natural parameter form. Below is another solution which also shows that $p(x|\alpha)$ is in the exponential family, but not in natural parameter form.

Alternative 2 : $p(x|\alpha) = \exp \left\{ -\log B(\alpha) + \sum_{i=1}^k (\alpha_i - 1) \log x_i \right\}$

$$A(\alpha) \quad \underbrace{\qquad}_{[\alpha_1 - 1, \alpha_2 - 1, \dots, \alpha_K - 1]} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \log x_1 \\ \vdots \\ \log x_K \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\eta(\alpha)$$

$$\eta(\alpha) = \alpha - 1$$

3.2 Metrics for distributions

Let $p_1 = p(X|\mu_1, \sigma_1^2) = \text{Normal}(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$ and $p_2 = p(Y|\mu_2, \sigma_2^2) = \text{Normal}(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$. Write a function that calculates the euclidean distance, d , between the pdf's and another function that calculates symmetric KL-divergence, D_{KL}^{sym} , between the pdf's.

Visualize p_1 and p_2 for the cases:

- 1) $\mu_1 = 0, \mu_2 = 0.1, \sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2 = 0.01$
- 2) $\mu_1 = 0, \mu_2 = 10, \sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2 = 10^4$

Calculate and compare $d((\mu_1, \sigma_1^2), (\mu_2, \sigma_2^2))$ and $D_{KL}^{sym}((\mu_1, \sigma_1^2), (\mu_2, \sigma_2^2))$ for each scenario. Which metric do you think best distinguishes p_1 and p_2 ?

3.2.1 Solution

See notebook in Canvas.

3.3 Mixture Model with Bernoulli observations - SVI

Consider the Bernoulli Mixture model (MM) of module 3.

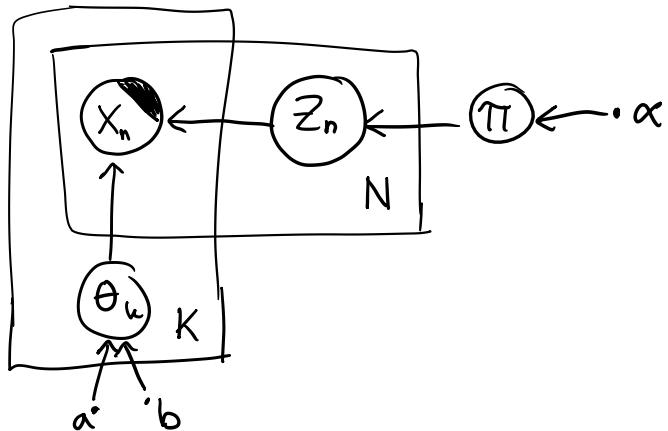
- a) Which are the local and global latent variables of the model?
- b) Derive the full conditionals of the model.
- c) Show that these distributions are in the exponential family.
- d) Assume the mean-field factorization: $q(Z, \pi, \theta) = q(\pi) \prod_n q(Z_n) \prod_k q(\theta_k)$ and that each variational distribution is in the same parametric family as the associated complete conditional. Use the natural parameters from c) and equations 15 and 16 of Hoffman to derive the updates of the global and local latent variables. How do these updates compare to that of the Bernoulli-MM of Module 3?
- e) Use the code from the Bernoulli-MM of exercises of module 3 and rewrite the CAVI algorithm to the SVI algorithm described in Figure 4 of Hoffman. Compare the outputs of the SVI algorithm and CAVI algorithm for different parameters. How do they compare? Compare the run time for a fixed number of iterations, large N ($N \geq 10^6$) and large D ($D \geq 10^3$).

3.3.1 Solution

Bernoulli Mixture model - Module 4

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Consider the Bernoulli mixture model from the exercises of Module 3.



Final CAVI updates:

$$q(\theta) = \prod_{k=1}^K q(\theta_k), \quad q(\theta_k) = \text{Beta}(\tilde{a}_k, \tilde{b}_k), \quad \begin{cases} \tilde{a}_k = \sum_{n=1}^N [q(z_n=k) x_n^k] + a \\ \tilde{b}_k = \sum_{n=1}^N [q(z_n=k) (1-x_n^k)] + b \end{cases}$$

$$q(z) = \prod_{n=1}^N q(z_n), \quad q(z_n) = \text{Cat}(r_1, \dots, r_K), \quad r_{nk} = \frac{p_{nk}}{\sum_{j=1}^K p_{nj}}$$

$$\log p_{nk} = x_n^k (\psi(\tilde{a}_k) - \psi(\tilde{a}_k + \tilde{b}_k)) + (1-x_n^k) (\psi(\tilde{b}_k) - \psi(\tilde{b}_k + \tilde{a}_k)) + \psi(\tilde{a}_k) - \psi(\tilde{a}_k)$$

$$q(\pi) = \text{Dir}(\tilde{\alpha}), \quad \tilde{\alpha} = \sum_{n=1}^N \underbrace{q(z_n)}_{=r_{nk}} + \alpha_k$$

a) Local and global parameters:

$$\text{Local } z_n \text{ as } p(x_n, z_n | z_{-n}, \theta, \pi, a, b, \alpha) = \left\{ \underbrace{\text{Study graph}}_{/} \text{ for v-separations } \right\} / \quad / \quad \backslash \quad \backslash \quad \backslash$$

Global θ, π

$$= p(x_n, z_n | \theta, \pi)$$

b) Full conditionals:

study DGM

I write the prior parameters here for clarity. They are assumed given for the rest of the solution.

$$p(\theta_k | \theta_{-k}, X, Z, \pi) = p(\theta_k | X, Z) \propto$$

$$\propto p(\theta_k, X, Z) = p(X|Z, \theta_k) p(Z) p(\theta_k) \propto p(X|Z, \theta_k) p(\theta_k)$$

$$= \prod_{n=1}^N \prod_{k=1}^K p(X_n | Z_n=k, \theta_k)^{\mathbb{1}_{\{Z_n=k\}}} p(\theta_k) \propto \prod_{n=1}^N p(X_n | Z_n=k, \theta_k)^{\mathbb{1}_{\{Z_n=k\}}} p(\theta_k)$$

$$= \prod_{n=1}^N \prod_{d=1}^D \text{Ber}(\theta_k)^{z_n^k} \cdot \text{Beta}(\theta_k) \propto$$

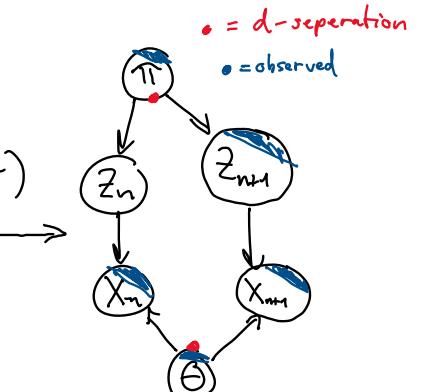
$$\propto \prod_{n=1}^N \prod_{d=1}^D \theta_k^{x_{nd} z_n^k} (1-\theta_k)^{(1-x_{nd}) z_n^k} \cdot \theta_k^{a-1} \cdot (1-\theta_k)^{b-1} =$$

$$= \underbrace{\theta_k^{\sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{d=1}^D z_n^k x_{nd}}}_{\equiv \gamma^k} \cdot (1-\theta_k)^{\sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{d=1}^D z_n^k - \gamma^k} \cdot \theta_k^{a-1} \cdot (1-\theta_k)^{b-1} = \theta_k^{\gamma^k + a-1} (1-\theta_k)^{\phi^k - \gamma^k + b-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow p(\theta_k | X, Z) = \text{Beta}(\gamma^k + a, \phi^k - \gamma^k + b)$$

Similar for $p(\pi | X, Z, \theta)$ and $p(Z_n | Z_{-n}, X, \theta, \pi)$

$$p(Z_n | Z_{-n}, X, \theta, \pi) \stackrel{\text{see DGM}}{=} p(Z_n | X_n, \pi, \theta)$$



$$\propto p(Z_n, X_n, \pi) = p(X_n | Z_n, \pi) p(Z_n | \pi) p(\pi)$$

$$= \prod_{d=1}^D \prod_{k=1}^K \text{Ber}(\theta_k)^{\mathbb{1}_{\{Z_n=k\}}} \text{Cat}(\pi) = \prod_{d=1}^D \prod_{k=1}^K (\theta_k^{x_{nd}} (1-\theta_k)^{1-x_{nd}})^{z_n^k} \prod_{k=1}^K \pi_k^{z_n^k}$$

$$= \prod_{k=1}^K \underbrace{\left(\theta_u^{x_n^D} (1-\theta_u)^{1-x_n^D} \cdot \pi_u \right)^{z_n^k}}_{\equiv \tilde{p}_{nk}} \Rightarrow$$

$$p(z_n | X_n, \pi, \theta) = \text{Cat}\left(\tilde{p}_{nk} / \sum_{k=1}^K \tilde{p}_{nk}\right)$$

c) We want to rewrite $p(\theta_u | X, z, a, b)$ on the form:

$$p(\theta_u | X, z, a, b) = h(\theta_u) \cdot \exp \left\{ \eta(x, z, a, b) \cdot t(\theta_u) - A(x, z) \right\}$$

include again for clarity

$$p(\theta_u | X, z) = \frac{1}{B(\gamma^u + a, \phi^u - \gamma^u + b)} \cdot \theta_u^{\gamma^u + a - 1} \cdot (1 - \theta_u)^{\phi^u - \gamma^u + b - 1}$$

$$= \exp \left\{ -\log B(\gamma^u + a, \phi^u - \gamma^u + b) \right\} \cdot \exp \left\{ (\gamma^u + a - 1) \log \theta_u + (\phi^u - \gamma^u + b - 1) \log (1 - \theta_u) \right\}$$

$$= e^{-(\log \theta_u + \log 1 - \theta_u)} = \frac{1}{\theta_u (1 - \theta_u)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\theta_u (1 - \theta_u)} \exp \left\{ -\log B(\gamma^u + a, \phi^u - \gamma^u + b) \right\} \cdot \exp \left\{ (\gamma^u + a) \log \theta_u + (\phi^u - \gamma^u + b) \log (1 - \theta_u) \right\}$$

$$= h(\theta^u)$$

remember ϕ^u and γ^u
are functions of x_n and z_n

$$= \left[\begin{array}{c} \gamma^u + a \\ \phi^u - \gamma^u + b \end{array} \right] \cdot \left[\begin{array}{c} \log \theta_u \\ \log 1 - \theta_u \end{array} \right]$$

$$= t(\theta^u)$$

Similar for $p(\pi | X, z, \theta)$

Locals:

$$p(z_n | X_n, \pi, \theta) = \prod_{k=1}^K \frac{\left(\theta_u^{x_n^D} (1 - \theta_u)^{1-x_n^D} \right) \pi_u}{\sum_{k=1}^K \tilde{p}_{nk}} = \exp \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^K \underbrace{\left(x_n^D \log \theta_u + (1 - x_n^D) \log (1 - \theta_u) + \log \pi_u \right)}_{\eta(x_n, \theta, \pi)} z_n^k \right\}$$

$$\underbrace{\sum_{k=1}^K \tilde{p}_{nk}}_{t(z_n)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
d) \quad \lambda = (a^*, b^*) &= \mathbb{E}_{\theta_u, \theta_{-u}, z, \pi} [\eta(x, z, a, b)] = \\
&= \mathbb{E}_{\theta_u, \theta_{-u}, z, \pi} [(r^k + a, \phi^k - r^k + b)] = (\mathbb{E}_z [r^k] + a, \mathbb{E}_z [\phi^k] - \mathbb{E}_z [r^k] + b) \\
\Rightarrow \begin{cases} a^* &= \sum_{n=1}^N \mathbb{E}_z \left[z_n^k \underbrace{\sum_{d=1}^D x_{nd}}_{\equiv x_n^D} \right] + a = \sum_{n=1}^N q(z_n=k) x_n^D + a \\ b^* &= \sum_{n=1}^N \mathbb{E}_z \left[\underbrace{\sum_{d=1}^D z_n^k - z_n^k x_{nd}}_{= z_n^k \cdot D - z_n^k x_n^D} \right] + b = \sum_{n=1}^N q(z_n=k) (D - x_n^D) + b \end{cases} \\
&= z_n^k \cdot D - z_n^k x_n^D \\
&= z_n^k (D - x_n^D)
\end{aligned}$$

Note that these updates are identical to the CAVI updates

Similar for our other global hidden variable π

Local variable update

$$\begin{aligned}
r_{nk}^* &= \mathbb{E}_{\pi, \theta, z} [\eta(x_n, \theta, \pi)] = \mathbb{E}_{\pi, \theta, z} \left[\frac{x_n^D \log \theta_u + (D - x_n^D) \log (1 - \theta_u) + \log \pi_k}{\sum_{k=1}^K \tilde{p}_{nk}} \right] \\
&= \left(x_n^D \mathbb{E}_{\theta_u} [\log \theta_u] + (D - x_n^D) \mathbb{E}_{\theta_u} [\log 1 - \theta_u] + \mathbb{E}_{\pi} [\log \pi_k] \right) / \sum_{k=1}^K \tilde{p}_{nk}
\end{aligned}$$

\downarrow
Note that this is the same as our CAVI update for r_{nk}

e) Implementation!