



CS 7140: ADVANCED MACHINE LEARNING

Recap: Variational Free Energy

- Approximating the **complex** $P(x)$ with a **simple** $Q(x; \theta)$

- Probability distribution $P(x) = \frac{1}{Z} P^\star(x) = \frac{1}{Z} \prod_{m=1}^M \phi(x_m)$

- By Gibbs inequality

$$D_{KL}(Q || P) = \log Z - \sum_m \mathbb{E}_Q[\log \phi] - H_Q$$

$$= \log Z + F[P^\star, Q] \geq 0$$

variational free energy

- Minimizing the relative entropy is equivalent to minimizing the variational free energy

Recap: Mean Field Theory

- Choose a **separable** approximating distribution

$$Q(x; a) = \prod_n Q_n(x_n; a) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp\left(\sum_n a_n x_n\right)$$

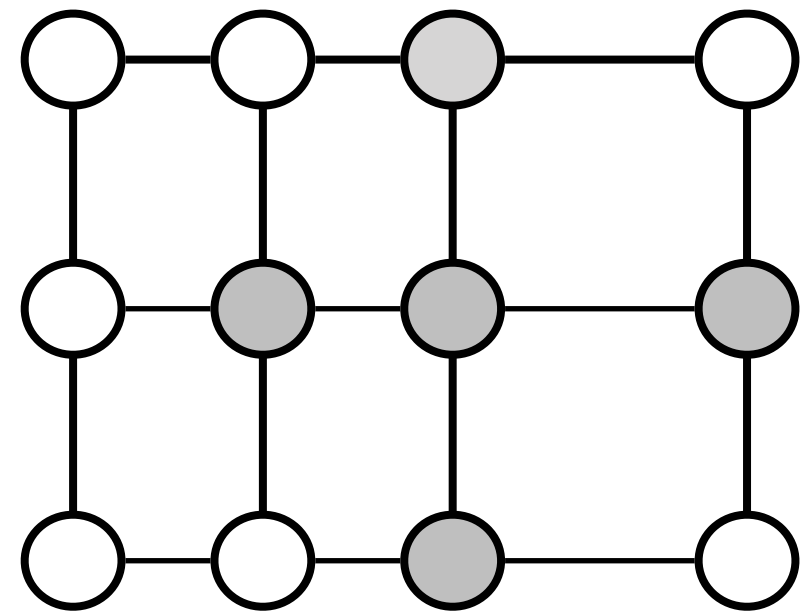
- The entropy

$$H_Q = \sum_x Q(x; a) \log \frac{1}{Q(x; a)}$$

- For a single node x_n

$$q_n = \frac{e^{a_n}}{e^{a_n} + e^{-a_n}} = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-2a_n)}$$

$$H(q) = q \log \frac{1}{q} + (1 - q) \log \frac{1}{1 - q}$$



PARAMETER LEARNING

Maximum Likelihood Estimation

- Finding a hypothesis that fits the data well

$$\theta^{\star} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta} \log P(D | \theta, H)$$

- Work with the *logarithm* of the likelihood
 - products of probabilities tends too be small
 - likelihood multiples, log likelihood adds
- MLE is equivalent to minimize the relative entropy
$$KL(P(x | \theta^{\star}) || P(x | \theta)) = \mathbb{E}[\log P(x | \theta^{\star})] - H[P(x | \theta^{\star})]$$

Example: One Gaussian

- Data $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^N$

- Log likelihood

$$\log P(\{x_n\}_{n=1}^N | \mu, \sigma) = -N \ln(\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma) - \sum_n (x_n - \mu)^2 / (2\sigma^2)$$

- Sample mean $\bar{x} \equiv \sum_{n=1}^N x_n / N$ sufficient statistics

$$\text{Sum of deviation } S \equiv \sum_n (x_n - \bar{x})^2$$

- MLE: $\mu = \bar{x}$ $\sigma^2 = S/N$ (hint: use $du^n / d(\ln u) = nu^n$)

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- Maximum likelihood mean μ is the sample mean, for any value of σ

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \log P = -\frac{N(\mu - \bar{x})}{\sigma^2} = 0$$

- Maximum likelihood standard deviation σ

$$\frac{\partial \ln P}{\partial \ln \sigma} = -N + \frac{S}{\sigma^2} = 0$$

Example: Mixture of Gaussian

- Data $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^N$

- Probability

$$P(x | \mu_1, \mu_2, \sigma) = \left[\sum_{k=1}^2 p_k \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{(x - \mu_k)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \right]$$

$$\text{Parameters } \theta = \{ \{\mu_k\}_{k=1}^2, \sigma \}$$

- Take the log likelihood L

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu_k} L = \sum_n p_{k|n} \frac{(x_n - \mu_k)}{\sigma^2} \text{ where } p_{k|n} = P(k_n = k | x_n, \theta)$$

Soft K-means

- Fitting a mixture of spherical Gaussian
- Variance is the same in all directions
- Can take a long time to converge

Assignment step. The responsibilities are

$$r_k^{(n)} = \frac{\pi_k \frac{1}{(\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_k)^I} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\sigma_k^2} d(\mathbf{m}^{(k)}, \mathbf{x}^{(n)})\right)}{\sum_{k'} \pi_{k'} \frac{1}{(\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_{k'})^I} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\sigma_{k'}^2} d(\mathbf{m}^{(k')}, \mathbf{x}^{(n)})\right)} \quad (22.22)$$

where I is the dimensionality of \mathbf{x} .

Update step. Each cluster's parameters, $\mathbf{m}^{(k)}$, π_k , and σ_k^2 , are adjusted to match the data points that it is responsible for.

$$\mathbf{m}^{(k)} = \frac{\sum_n r_k^{(n)} \mathbf{x}^{(n)}}{R^{(k)}} \quad (22.23)$$

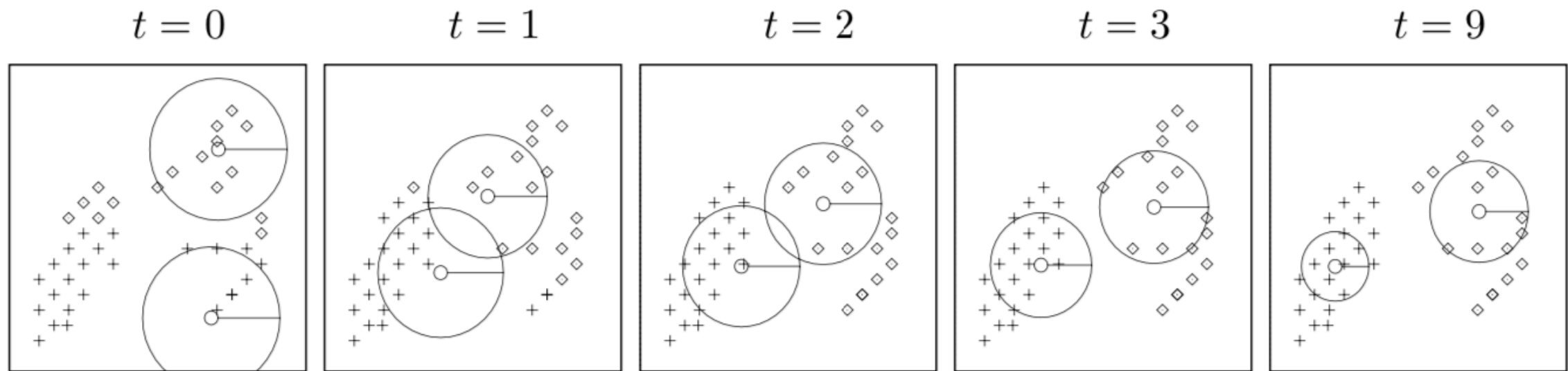
$$\sigma_k^2 = \frac{\sum_n r_k^{(n)} (\mathbf{x}^{(n)} - \mathbf{m}^{(k)})^2}{IR^{(k)}} \quad (22.24)$$

$$\pi_k = \frac{R^{(k)}}{\sum_k R^{(k)}} \quad (22.25)$$

where $R^{(k)}$ is the total responsibility of mean k ,

$$R^{(k)} = \sum_n r_k^{(n)}. \quad (22.26)$$

Soft K-means

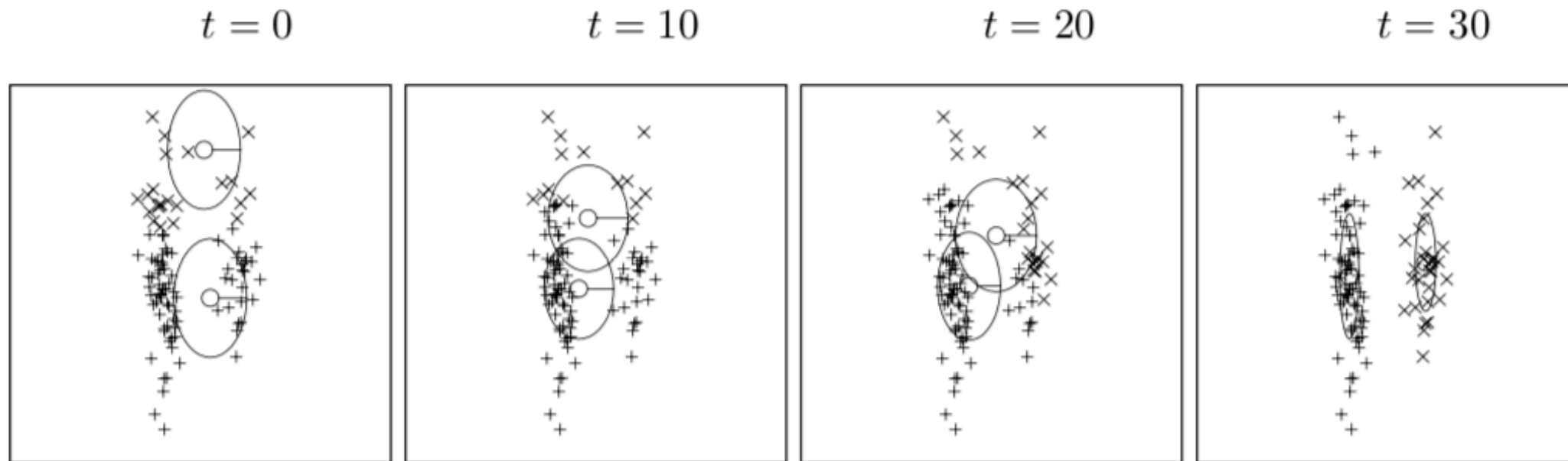


- model clusters with axis-aligned Gaussian
- with possibly -unequal variances

$$r_k^{(n)} = \frac{\pi_k \frac{1}{\prod_{i=1}^I \sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_i^{(k)}} \exp\left(-\sum_{i=1}^I (m_i^{(k)} - x_i^{(n)})^2 / 2(\sigma_i^{(k)})^2\right)}{\sum_{k'} (\text{numerator, with } k' \text{ in place of } k)} \quad (22.27)$$

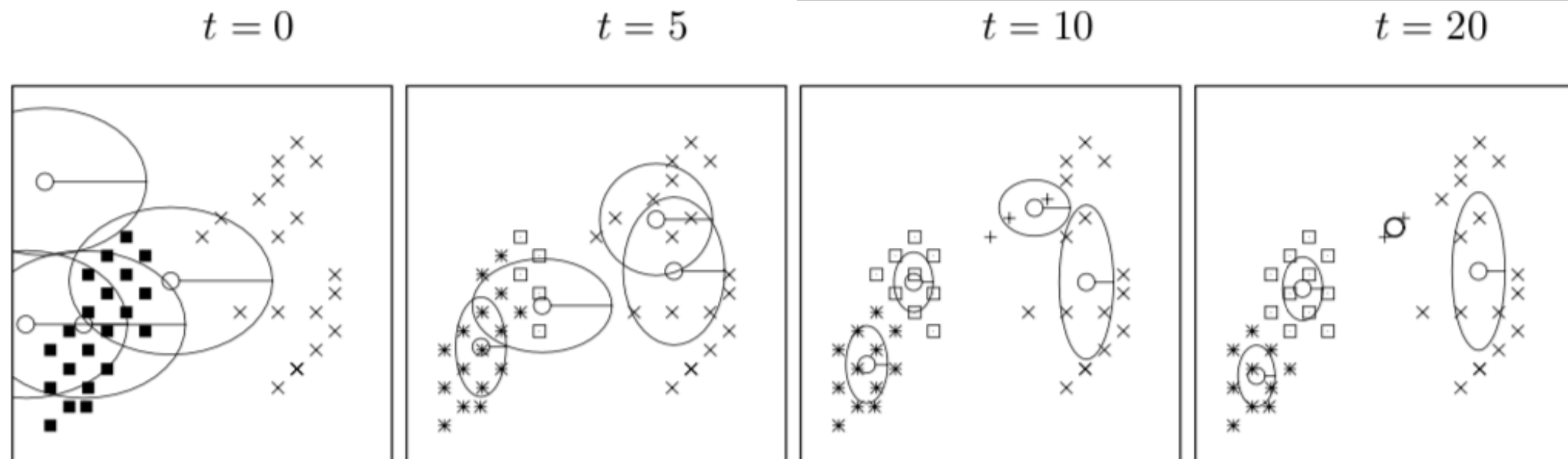
$$\sigma_i^{2(k)} = \frac{\sum_n r_k^{(n)} (x_i^{(n)} - m_i^{(k)})^2}{R^{(k)}} \quad (22.28)$$

Soft K-means



- A fatal flaw of MLE

infinitely large likelihood



Drawback of MLE

- The likelihood may be infinitely large
- Unrepresentative in high-dimensional problems
- Example: one Gaussian: $\mu = \bar{x}$ $\sigma_N^2 = S/N$
 μ is unbiased $\mathbb{E}[\mu] = \mu^\star$, how about σ_N ?

σ_N is biased, but σ_{N-1} is unbiased

Maximum a Posterior (MAP)

- $P(\theta | D) \propto P(D | \theta)P(\theta)$

posterior likelihood prior

- Conjugate distributions

$$P(\theta | D) \propto P(D | \theta)P(\theta)$$


same distribution family

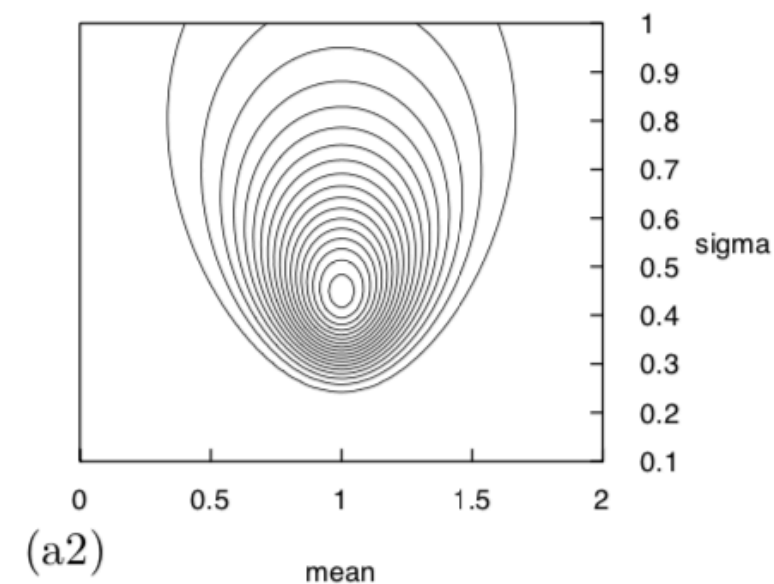
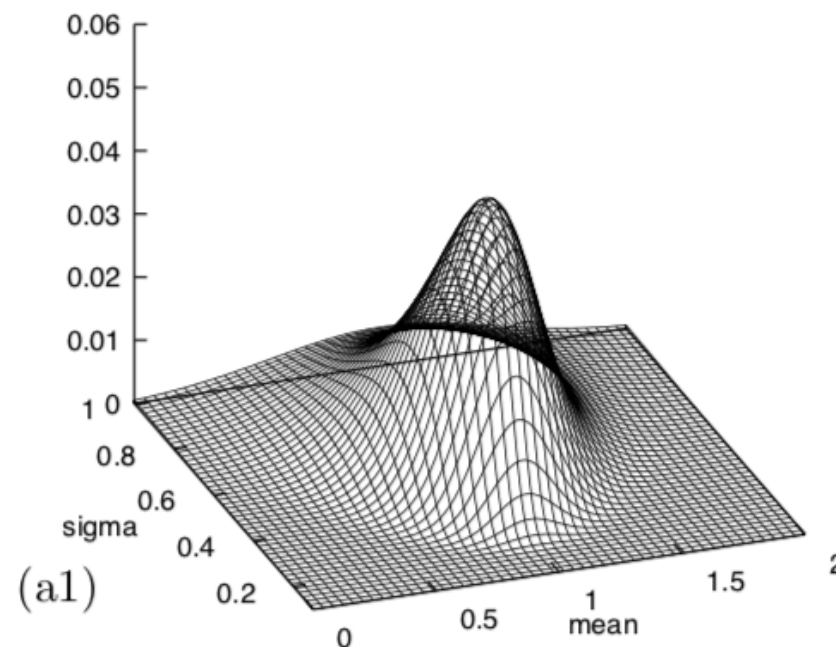
- Example: Dirichlet prior is conjugate to multinomial
if $P(\theta) = \text{Dir}(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_K)$ then
 $P(\theta | D) = \text{Dir}(M_1 + \alpha_1, \dots, M_K + \alpha_K)$

One Gaussian

- Log likelihood

$$\log P(\{x_n\}_{n=1}^N | \mu, \sigma) = -N \ln(\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma) - \sum_n (x_n - \mu)^2 / (2\sigma^2)$$

- Prior $\frac{1}{\sigma_n}$ and $\frac{1}{\sigma}$



- Posterior

$$P(\mu | D, \sigma) \propto \exp\left(-N(\mu - \bar{x})^2 / (2\sigma^2)\right) = N(\bar{x}, \sigma^2 / N)$$

Maximum a Posterior

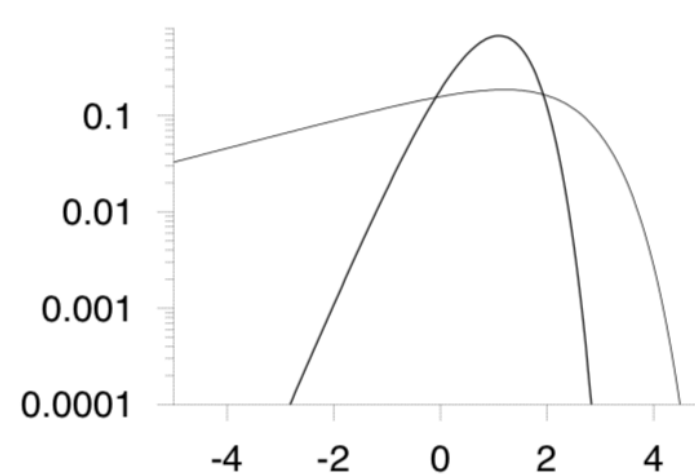
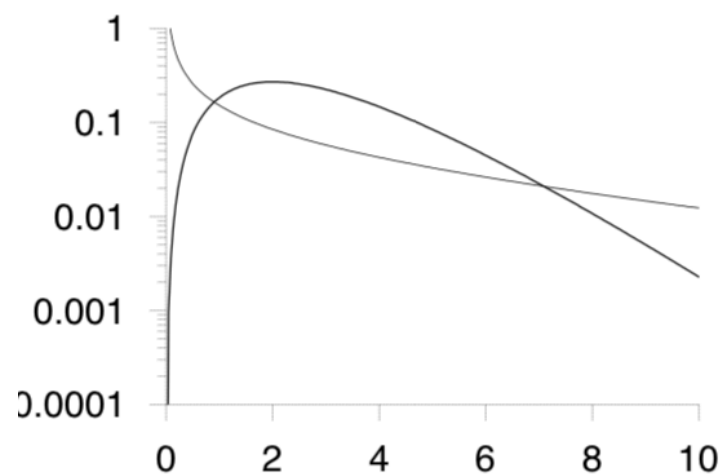
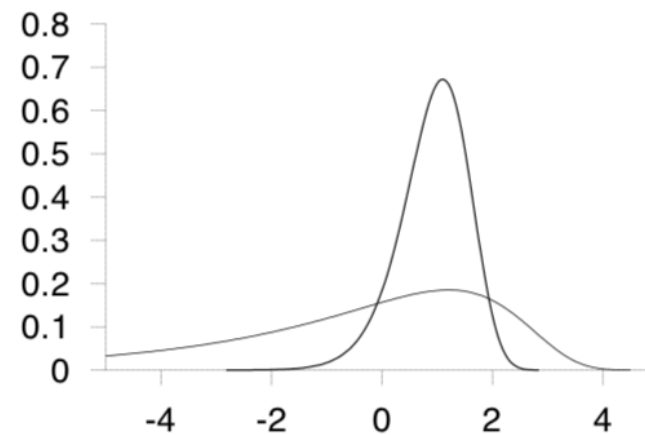
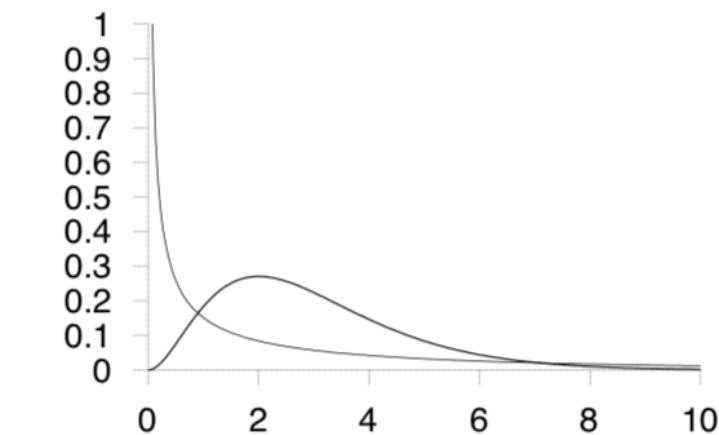
- Using prior to regularize the likelihood

$$\begin{aligned}\operatorname{argmax}_{\theta} \log P(\theta | D) &= \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta} \log \left(\frac{P(D | \theta) P(\theta)}{P(D)} \right) \\ &= \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta} (\log P(\theta) + \log(P(D | \theta)))\end{aligned}$$

- No harder than MLE estimation
- Draw back: *Representation Dependent*

$$P(u) = P(\theta) \left| \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial u} \right|$$

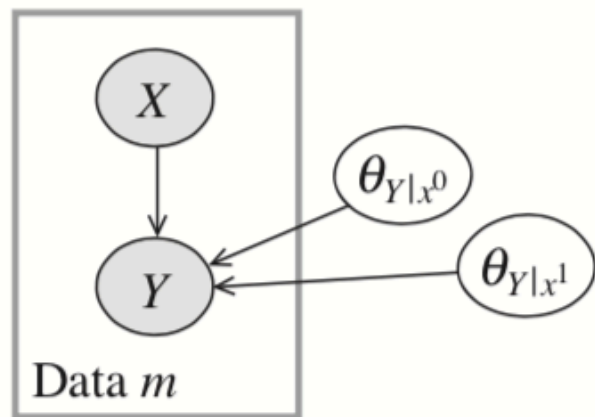
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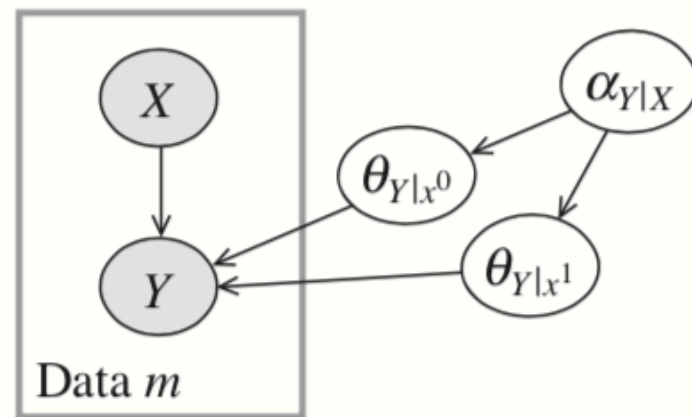
Gamma distribution of
with parameters $(s, c) =$
 $(1, 3)$ (heavy lines) and
 $10, 0.3$ (light lines)
shown on linear vertical
scales (top) and
logarithmic vertical
scales (bottom)

- Gamma distribution $P(x|s, c) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(c)s} \left(\frac{x}{s}\right)^{c-1} \exp\left(-\frac{x}{s}\right)$
- $P(\ln x) = P(x) \left| \frac{\partial x}{\partial \ln x} \right| = \frac{1}{\Gamma(c)} \left(\frac{x}{s}\right)^c \exp\left(-\frac{x}{s}\right)$

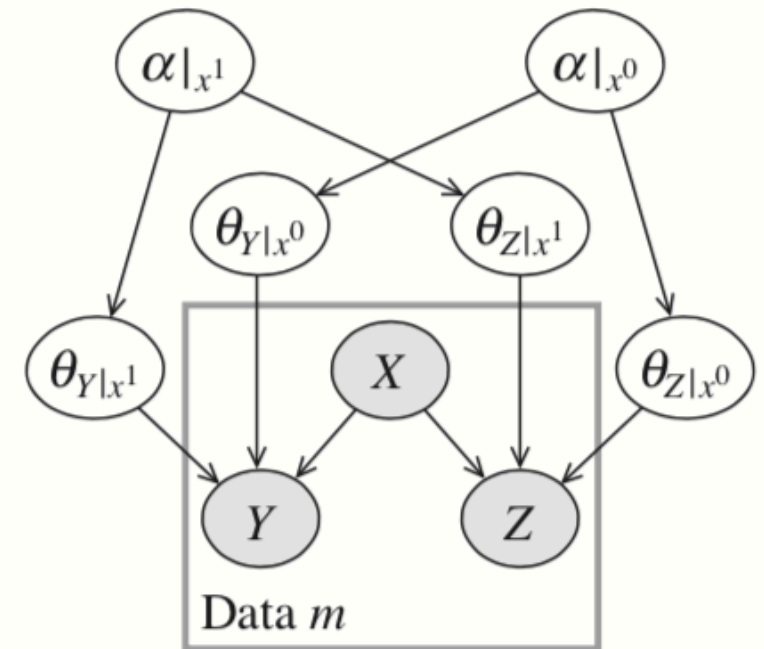
Hierarchical Prior



(a)



(b)



(c)

- Hierarchical Bayesian model: introduce prior over the parameters of the prior distribution
- Particular useful for small data

Biased Estimator

$$\begin{aligned}
 s = \sigma^2 &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \mu)^2 \\
 &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \left(x_i - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i) \right)^2 \\
 &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \left[x_i^2 - 2x_i \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i) + \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i) \right)^2 \right] \\
 &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2}{N} - \frac{2 \sum_{i=1}^N x_i \sum_{i=1}^N x_i}{N^2} + \left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^N x_i}{N} \right)^2 \\
 &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2}{N} - \frac{2 \sum_{i=1}^N x_i \sum_{i=1}^N x_i}{N^2} + \left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^N x_i}{N} \right)^2 \\
 &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2}{N} - \left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^N x_i}{N} \right)^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E[s] &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N E[x_i^2]}{N} - \frac{E[(\sum_{i=1}^N x_i)^2]}{N^2} \\
 &= s + \mu^2 - \frac{E[(\sum_{i=1}^N x_i)^2]}{N^2} \\
 &= s + \mu^2 - \frac{E[\sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2 + \sum_i^N \sum_{j \neq i}^N x_i x_j]}{N^2} \\
 &= s + \mu^2 - \frac{E[N(s + \mu^2) + \sum_i^N \sum_{j \neq i}^N x_i x_j]}{N^2} \\
 &= s + \mu^2 - \frac{N(s + \mu^2) + \sum_i^N \sum_{j \neq i}^N E[x_i]E[x_j]}{N^2} \\
 &= s + \mu^2 - \frac{N(s + \mu^2) + N(N-1)\mu^2}{N^2} \\
 &= s + \mu^2 - \frac{N(s + \mu^2) + N^2\mu^2 - N\mu^2}{N^2} \\
 &= s + \mu^2 - \frac{s + \mu^2 + N\mu^2 - \mu^2}{N} \\
 &= s + \mu^2 - \frac{s}{N} - \frac{\mu^2}{N} - \mu^2 + \frac{\mu^2}{N} \\
 &= s - \frac{s}{N} \\
 &= s \left(1 - \frac{1}{N} \right) \\
 &= s \left(\frac{N-1}{N} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$