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A few points:

- Please check your registration statut, receipts, participation at conference dinner, and for those who registration fees have been weaved, please sign your registration forms.
- Today, as well as the other days, the lunches are offert.
- Conference dinner will be tuesday July 11, at 19h30.
- From tomorrow, the conference is located at CNRS.
Please bring an ID.

- We are going to request each participants to Peer-Review one or two papers
- Please do this review as soon as possible during the conference
- The authors have to account for the reviewers comments for preparing their final papers.
- Final camera-ready papers are due on September 15, 2006 (Firm deadline).
- It is really unfortunate that some of the peoples could not come due to the visa problems.

Maximum Entropy and Bayesian inference: Where do we stand and where do we go ?

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INTRODUCTION

Quantity of interest:

$$X \in \{\omega_1, \dots, \omega_n\}$$

Probabilities:

$$\mathbf{p} = \{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$$

Information quantities:

$$\mathbf{I} = \{I_1, \dots, I_n\}, \quad I_j = \ln \frac{1}{p_j} = -\ln p_j$$

Entropy:

$$H(\mathbf{p}) = \text{E}\{I_j\} = -\sum_{j=1}^n p_j \ln p_j$$

Relative Entropy (Kullback-Leibler):

$$KL(\mathbf{p} : \mathbf{q}) = \sum_{j=1}^n p_j \ln p_j / q_j$$

Prior probabilities:

$$\mathbf{q} = \{q_1, \dots, q_n\}$$

Data type 1: Expected values:

$$d_k = \text{E}\{\phi_k(X)\} = \sum_{j=1}^n p_j \phi_k(\omega_j), \\ k = 1, \dots, K$$

Data type 2: N direct samples:

$$\mathbf{x} = \{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$$

Data type 3: N indirect samples:

$$\mathbf{y} = \{y_1, \dots, y_N\} \text{ with } \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{Ax}$$

Data type 4:

N indirect noisy samples:

$$\mathbf{y} = \{y_1, \dots, y_N\} \text{ with } \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{Ax} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$$

ASSIGNING PROBABILITIES

: Given a set of data type 1: $d_k = \text{E} \{ \phi_k(X) \} = \sum_{j=1}^n p_j \phi_k(\omega_j)$, $k = 1, \dots, K$
 assign the probabilities $\mathbf{p} = \{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$

: Infinite number of possible solutions.

Maximum Entropy Principle (MEP):

Between all the possible solutions choose the one with maximum entropy

$$\text{maximize } H(\mathbf{p}) = - \sum_j p_j \ln p_j \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \sum_j p_j \phi_k(\omega_j) = d_k, \quad k = 1, \dots, K$$

$$:\text{ Lagrangian } \mathcal{L} = - \sum_{j=1}^n p_j \ln p_j + \sum_{k=0}^K \lambda_k \left(\sum_{j=1}^n p_j \phi_k(\omega_j) - d_k \right)$$

$$\text{Stationnary point: } \begin{cases} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial p_j} = 0 \longrightarrow p_j = \frac{1}{Z(\boldsymbol{\lambda})} \exp \left[- \sum_{k=1}^K \lambda_k \phi_k(\omega_j) \right] \\ \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \lambda_k} = 0 \longrightarrow - \frac{\partial \ln Z(\boldsymbol{\lambda})}{\partial \lambda_k} = d_k \longrightarrow \lambda^* \end{cases}$$

$$\text{ME solution: } p_j = \frac{1}{Z(\boldsymbol{\lambda}^*)} \exp \left[- \sum_{k=1}^K \lambda_k^* \phi_k(\omega_j) \right] = \exp \left[- \lambda_0 - \sum_{k=1}^K \lambda_k^* \phi_k(\omega_j) \right]$$

$$\text{where } Z(\boldsymbol{\lambda}) = \exp [\lambda_0] = \sum_{j=1}^n \exp \left[- \sum_{k=1}^K \lambda_k \phi_k(\omega_j) \right]$$

SOME PROPERTIES OF ME SOLUTION

$$-\frac{\partial \ln Z(\boldsymbol{\lambda})}{\partial \lambda_k} = -\frac{\partial \lambda_0(\boldsymbol{\lambda})}{\partial \lambda_k} = \text{E} \{ \phi_k(X) \}$$

$$-\frac{\partial \ln Z(\boldsymbol{\lambda})}{\partial \lambda_k \partial \lambda_l} = -\frac{\partial \lambda_0(\boldsymbol{\lambda})}{\partial \lambda_k \partial \lambda_l} = \text{E} \{ \phi_k(X) \phi_l(X) \}$$

$$H = \lambda_0 + \sum_k \lambda_k \text{E} \{ \phi_k(X) \}$$

$$H_{\max} = \lambda_0 + \sum_k \lambda_k d_k$$

UPDATING PROBABILITIES

: Given the prior probabilities \mathbf{q} and a set of data type 1:

$$d_k = \mathbb{E} \{ \phi_k(X) \} = \sum_{j=1}^n p_j \phi_k(\omega_j), \quad k = 1, \dots, K, \text{ update } \mathbf{q} \text{ to } \mathbf{p}$$

: Minimum Kullbak-Leibler principle (MKLP):

$$\text{minimize } K(\mathbf{p} : \mathbf{q}) = \sum_{j=1}^n p_j \ln p_j / q_j \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \sum_{j=1}^n p_j \phi_k(\omega_j) = d_k, \quad k = 1, \dots, K$$

MKL solution:
$$p_j = \frac{q_j}{Z(\boldsymbol{\lambda})} \exp \left[- \sum_{k=1}^K \lambda_k \phi_k(\omega_j) \right]$$

$$Z(\boldsymbol{\lambda}) = \sum_j q_j \exp \left[- \sum_{k=1}^K \lambda_k \phi_k(\omega_j) \right]$$

ASSIGNING A PROBABILITY LAW (CONTINUOUS CASE)

X a continuous quantity with probability density function $p(x)$

- : Given a set of data type 1: $d_k = \text{E} \{ \phi_k(X) \} = \int p(x) \phi_k(x) dx \quad k = 1, \dots, K$, assign the pdf $p(x)$
- : Maximum Entropy Principle (MEP):

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} \quad H(\mathbf{p}) = - \int p(x) \ln p(x) dx \\ & \text{s.t.} \quad \int p(x) \phi_k(x) dx = d_k, \quad k = 1, \dots, K \end{aligned}$$

- : Lagrangian $\mathcal{L} = - \int p(x) \ln p(x) dx + \sum_{k=0}^K \lambda_k (\int p(x) \phi_k(x) dx - d_k)$
- Stationnary point:
$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial p(x)} = 0 \longrightarrow p(x) = \frac{1}{Z(\boldsymbol{\lambda})} \exp \left[- \sum_{k=1}^K \lambda_k \phi_k(x) \right] \\ \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \lambda_k} = 0 \longrightarrow -\frac{\partial \ln Z(\boldsymbol{\lambda})}{\partial \lambda_k} = d_k \longrightarrow \lambda^* \end{cases}$$

$$\text{ME solution: } p(x) = \frac{1}{Z(\boldsymbol{\lambda}^*)} \exp \left[- \sum_{k=1}^K \lambda_k^* \phi_k(x) \right]$$

UPDATING PROBABILITY LAWS (CONTINUOUS CASE)

: Given the prior probabilities $q(x)$ and a set of data type 1:

$d_k = \mathbb{E} \{\phi_k(X)\} = \int p(x) \phi_k(x) dx, k = 1, \dots, K$, update $q(x)$ to $p(x)$.

: Minimum Kullbak-Leibler principle (MKLP):

$$\text{minimize } K(p : q) = \int p(x) \ln[p(x)/q(x)] dx$$

$$\text{s.t. } \int p(x) \phi_k(x) dx = d_k, \quad k = 1, \dots, K$$

MKL solution:
$$p(x) = \frac{q(x)}{Z(\boldsymbol{\lambda})} \exp \left[- \sum_{k=1}^K \lambda_k \phi_k(x) \right]$$

$$Z(\boldsymbol{\lambda}) = \int q(x) \exp \left[- \sum_{k=1}^K \lambda_k \phi_k(x) \right] dx$$

SIMPLE EXAMPLES

x.	x	$q(x)$	$E\{\phi_k(x)\} = d_k$	$p(x)$
	$x > 0$	cte	$E\{X\} = d_1 = \mu$	$\frac{1}{z(\lambda)} \exp[-\lambda x]$
	$x > 0$	cte	$E\{X\} = d_1$ $E\{\ln X\} = d_2$	$\frac{1}{z(\lambda)} \exp[-\lambda_1 x - \lambda_2 \ln x]$ $= \mathcal{G}(\lambda_2 + 1, \lambda_1)$
	$x > 0$	$\mathcal{G}(\alpha_0, \beta_0)$	$E\{X\} = d_1 = \beta/\alpha$ $E\{\ln X\} = d_2 = \alpha$	$\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta)$
	$x \in R$	cte	$E\{X\} = d_1 = \mu_0$ $E\{(X - \mu)^2\} = d_2 = \sigma_0^2$	$\mathcal{N}(\mu_0, \sigma_0^2)$
	$x \in R$	$\mathcal{N}(\mu_0, \sigma_0^2)$	$E\{X\} = d_1 = \mu_1$ $E\{(X - \mu)^2\} = d_2 = \sigma_1^2$	$\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2), \mu = \sigma^{-2}(\mu_0/\sigma_0^2 + \mu_1/\sigma_1^2),$ $\sigma^{-2} = [1/\sigma_0^2 + 1/\sigma_1^2)]$

LINK BETWEEN MEP AND MAXIMUM LIKELIHOOD (ML)

Quantity of interest: X , a continuous random variable

Data type 1: $d_k = \text{E} \{ \phi_k(X) \} = \int p(x) \phi_k(x) dx, \quad k = 1, \dots, K$

ME solution: $p(x; \boldsymbol{\lambda}) = \frac{1}{Z(\boldsymbol{\lambda})} \exp \left[- \sum_{k=1}^K \lambda_k \phi_k(x) \right]$

λ solution of: $-\frac{\partial \ln Z(\boldsymbol{\lambda})}{\partial \lambda_k} = d_k, \quad k = 1, \dots, K$

Data type 2: N direct samples: $\mathbf{x} = \{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$

Choose a param. family: $p(x; \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \frac{1}{Z(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \exp \left[- \sum_{k=1}^K \theta_k \phi_k(x) \right]$

Assume x_j iid: $p(\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \prod_{j=1}^N \frac{1}{Z(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \exp \left[- \sum_{k=1}^K \theta_k \phi_k(x_j) \right]$

Define the Likelihood: $\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \frac{1}{Z^n(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \exp \left[- \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^K \theta_k \phi_k(x_j) \right]$

ML solution: $\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = \arg \max_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \{ \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) \}$

$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$ solution of: $-\frac{\partial \ln Z(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \theta_k} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^N \phi_k(x_j)$

LINK BETWEEN MKL AND BAYESIAN APPROACH

Quantity of interest: X , a continuous random variable with prior $q(x)$

Data type 1: $d_k = \text{E} \{ \phi_k(X) \} = \int p(x) \phi_k(x) dx, \quad k = 1, \dots, K$

MKL solution: $p(x|\boldsymbol{\lambda}) = \frac{q(x)}{Z(\boldsymbol{\lambda})} \exp \left[-\sum_{k=1}^K \lambda_k \phi_k(x) \right]$

λ solution of: $-\frac{\partial \ln Z(\boldsymbol{\lambda})}{\partial \lambda_k} = d_k, \quad k = 1, \dots, K$

Note that

$$p(x|\boldsymbol{\lambda}) = \frac{q(x)}{Z(\boldsymbol{\lambda})} \exp \left[-\sum_{k=1}^K \lambda_k \phi_k(x) \right]$$

$$\propto q(x) \exp \left[-\sum_{k=1}^K \lambda_k \phi_k(x) \right]$$

a posteriori \propto a priori Data Likelihood

LINK BETWEEN MKL AND BAYESIAN APPROACH (CONTINUED)

Data type 2: N direct samples: $\mathbf{x} = \{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$

Choose a param. family:

$$p(x|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \frac{1}{Z(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \exp \left[- \sum_{k=1}^K \theta_k \phi_k(x) \right]$$

Define the Likelihood:

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \frac{1}{Z^n(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \exp \left[- \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^K \theta_k \phi_k(x_j) \right]$$

Assign a prior on: $\boldsymbol{\theta}$

$$\pi(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

Apply the Bayes rule:

$$p(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{x}) \propto \pi(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

a posteriori a priori Likelihood

Extract an information on $\boldsymbol{\theta}$:

the mean:

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = \int \boldsymbol{\theta} p(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} = \frac{\int \boldsymbol{\theta} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) \pi(\boldsymbol{\theta}) d\mathbf{x}}{\int \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) \pi(\boldsymbol{\theta}) d\mathbf{x}}$$

or the mode:

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = \arg \max_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \{ \pi(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) \}$$

Signification of $p(\mathbf{x}|\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}})$

and link with $p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\lambda})$?

Data type 1: $d_k = \text{E} \{ \phi_k(X) \} = \int p(x) \phi_k(x) dx, \quad k = 1, \dots, K$

$$p(x|\boldsymbol{\lambda}) \propto q(x|\boldsymbol{\lambda}_0) \exp \left[- \sum_{k=1}^K \lambda_k \phi_k(x) \right]$$

a posteriori \propto a priori Data Likelihood

Data type 2: N direct samples: $\mathbf{x} = \{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$

$$p(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{x}) \propto \pi(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{x}_0) \exp \left[- \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^K \theta_k \phi_k(x_j) \right]$$

a posteriori \propto a priori Data Likelihood

few questions:

- How to assign $q(x|\boldsymbol{\lambda}_0)$ or $\pi(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{x}_0)$?
- How to use $p(x|\boldsymbol{\lambda})$ or $p(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{x})$?
- How to compute $\text{E} \{ X \}$ using $p(x|\boldsymbol{\lambda})$ or $\text{E} \{ \boldsymbol{\theta} \}$ using $p(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{x})$?
- Any link between $q(x|\boldsymbol{\lambda}_0)$ and $\pi(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{x}_0)$ or between $p(x|\boldsymbol{\lambda})$ and $p(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{x})$?

ASSIGNING PRIORS: CONJUGATE, REFERENCE AND JEFFREY'S PRIORS

Data type 2: n direct samples: $\boldsymbol{x}_n = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$

$$p(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\boldsymbol{x}_n) = \frac{1}{z_n(\boldsymbol{x}_n)} \pi(\boldsymbol{\theta}) f(\boldsymbol{x}_n|\boldsymbol{\theta}) \quad \text{with} \quad f(\boldsymbol{x}_n|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \exp \left[- \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^K \theta_k \phi_k(x_j) \right]$$

- Conjugate priors: posterior $p(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\boldsymbol{x})$ and prior $\pi(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ in the same family

$$\text{Exponential family: } \pi(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\boldsymbol{x}_0) = \frac{1}{z_0(\boldsymbol{x}_0)} \pi_0(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \exp \left[- \sum_{j=1}^{n_0} \sum_{k=1}^K \phi_k(x_{0_j}) \theta_k \right]$$

where $\boldsymbol{x}_{0n_0} = \{x_{0_1}, \dots, x_{0_{n_0}}\}$

- Reference priors: $n_0 = 1$

$$\pi(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\boldsymbol{x}_0) = \frac{1}{z_0(\boldsymbol{x}_0)} \pi_0(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \exp [-\boldsymbol{\phi}^t \boldsymbol{\theta}] \quad \text{with } \boldsymbol{\phi} = [\phi_1(\boldsymbol{x}_0), \dots, \phi_K(\boldsymbol{x}_0)]^t$$

- Jeffrey's priors:

JEFFREY'S PRIORS

$$p(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{x}_n) = \frac{1}{z_n(\mathbf{x}_n)} \pi(\boldsymbol{\theta}) f(\mathbf{x}_n|\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

ain in information:

$$KL[p(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{x}_n) : \pi(\boldsymbol{\theta})] = \int \int \frac{1}{z_n(\mathbf{x}_n)} \pi(\boldsymbol{\theta}) f(\mathbf{x}_n|\boldsymbol{\theta}) \ln \frac{f(\mathbf{x}_n|\boldsymbol{\theta})}{z_n(\mathbf{x}_n)} d\mathbf{x}_n d\boldsymbol{\theta}$$

hen $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$\pi(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = |I_n(\boldsymbol{\theta})|^{1/2} \text{ with } I_n(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \begin{bmatrix} \dots & \dots & \dots \\ & \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{x}_n|\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_k \partial \boldsymbol{\theta}_l} & \\ \dots & \dots & \dots \end{bmatrix}$$

sher's Information matrix.

MULTIVARIATE EXTENSIONS

a random vector with $p(\mathbf{x})$. Data type 1:

$$d_k = \mathbb{E} \{ \phi_k(\mathbf{X}) \} = \int p(\mathbf{x}) \phi_k(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}, \quad k = 1, \dots, K$$

$$\begin{aligned} p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\lambda}) &\propto q(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\lambda}_0) \exp \left[- \sum_{k=1}^K \lambda_k \phi_k(\mathbf{x}) \right] \\ &\propto \text{a priori} \quad \text{Data Likelihood} \end{aligned}$$

- Minimizing $KL(p : q) \longrightarrow$ Minimizing $D(\boldsymbol{\lambda}; \boldsymbol{\lambda}_0)$ (Primal-Dual optimization)
- $D(\boldsymbol{\lambda}; \boldsymbol{\lambda}_0)$ is a distance measure and its expression depends on $q(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\lambda}_0)$
- If $q(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\lambda}_0)$ is separable then $p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\lambda})$ is also separable
- If we note by

$$\mathbb{E}_q \{ \mathbf{X} \} = \int \mathbf{x} q(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\lambda}_0) d\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_q \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{E}_p \{ \mathbf{X} \} = \int \mathbf{x} p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\lambda}) d\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_p$$

then minimizing $KL(p : q) \longrightarrow$ minimizing $\Delta(\mathbf{x}_p : \mathbf{x}_q)$.

Data type 3: M indirect samples: $\mathbf{y} = \{y_1, \dots, y_M\}$ where \mathbf{A} is a $M \times N$ matrix and $\mathbf{y} = \text{E}\{\mathbf{AX}\} = \mathbf{A}\text{E}\{\mathbf{X}\}$ and the prior measure $q(\mathbf{x}|\lambda_0)$ and

$$\begin{aligned}\text{E}_q\{\mathbf{X}\} &= \int \mathbf{x} q(\mathbf{x}|\lambda_0) d\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_0 \\ p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\lambda}) &\propto q(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\lambda}_0) \exp\left[-\sum_{k=1}^K \lambda_k [\mathbf{Ax}]_k\right] \\ \text{E}_p\{\mathbf{X}\} &= \int \mathbf{x} p(\mathbf{x}|\lambda) d\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}\end{aligned}$$

- Minimizing $KL(p : q) \longrightarrow$ Minimizing $D(\boldsymbol{\lambda}; \boldsymbol{\lambda}_0) \longrightarrow$
Minimizing $\Delta(\mathbf{x} : \mathbf{x}_0)$ subject to $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{y}$.
- $\Delta(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{x}_0)$ is a distance measure and its expression depends on the family form of $q(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\lambda}_0)$
- If $q(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\lambda}_0)$ is separable then $\Delta(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{x}_0) = \sum_{j=1}^N \Delta_j(x_j; x_{0j})$
- If $q(\mathbf{x})$ Gaussian, then $D(\boldsymbol{\lambda}; \boldsymbol{\lambda}_0) = \|\boldsymbol{\lambda} - \boldsymbol{\lambda}_0\|^2$ and $\Delta(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{x}_0) = \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0\|^2$
- If $q(\mathbf{x})$ Poisson measure, then $\Delta(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{x}_0) = \sum_j x_j \ln(x_j/x_{0j}) + (x_j - x_{0j})$

Data type 4: M indirect samples: $\mathbf{y} = \{y_1, \dots, y_M\}$ where \mathbf{A} is a $M \times N$ matrix and $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{Ax} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$ and the prior probability laws:

$$p_{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}|\boldsymbol{\theta}_1), \quad p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}_2) = \frac{1}{Z(\boldsymbol{\theta}_2)} \exp [-\boldsymbol{\theta}_2^t \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x})],$$

Case 1: $\boldsymbol{\theta}_1$ and $\boldsymbol{\theta}_2$ known.

$$\begin{aligned} p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_1) &= p_{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{Ax}|\boldsymbol{\theta}_1) \\ p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_1, \boldsymbol{\theta}_2) &\propto p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_1) p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}_2) \\ p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) &= p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_1) p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}_2)/p(\mathbf{y}|\boldsymbol{\theta}), \quad \boldsymbol{\theta} = (\boldsymbol{\theta}_1, \boldsymbol{\theta}_2) \\ p(\mathbf{y}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) &= \int p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_1) p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}_2) d\mathbf{x} \end{aligned}$$

depending on \mathbf{x} :

Mode	$\hat{\mathbf{x}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \arg \max_{\mathbf{x}} \{p(\mathbf{x} \mathbf{y}, \boldsymbol{\theta})\}$	needs optimization
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Mean	$\hat{\mathbf{x}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \int \mathbf{x} p(\mathbf{x} \mathbf{y}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) d\mathbf{x}$	needs integration
	$= \frac{\int \mathbf{x} p(\mathbf{y} \mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) p(\mathbf{x} \boldsymbol{\theta}) d\mathbf{x}}{\int p(\mathbf{y} \mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) p(\mathbf{x} \boldsymbol{\theta}) d\mathbf{x}}$	

Sampling	$\mathbf{x} \sim p(\mathbf{x} \mathbf{y}, \boldsymbol{\theta})$	Monté Carlo techniques
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Case 2: θ_1 and θ_2 unknown:

$$p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_1) = p_{\epsilon}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{Ax}|\boldsymbol{\theta}_1)$$

$$p(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{y}) \propto p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_1) p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}_2) \pi(\boldsymbol{\theta}), \quad \boldsymbol{\theta} = (\boldsymbol{\theta}_1, \boldsymbol{\theta}_2)$$

Inferring on \mathbf{x} : $p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y}) = \int p(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{y}) d\boldsymbol{\theta}$

$$\text{Mode } \hat{\mathbf{x}} = \arg \max_{\mathbf{x}} \{p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y})\}$$

$$\text{Mean } \hat{\mathbf{x}} = \int \mathbf{x} p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{x} = \int \int \mathbf{x} p(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{x} d\boldsymbol{\theta}$$

Inferring on $\boldsymbol{\theta}$: $p(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{y}) = \int p(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{x}$

$$\text{Mode } \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = \arg \max_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \{p(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{y})\}$$

$$\text{Mean } \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = \int \boldsymbol{\theta} p(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{y}) d\boldsymbol{\theta} = \int \int \boldsymbol{\theta} p(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{x} d\boldsymbol{\theta}$$

Inferring on $(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta})$: $(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \sim p(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{y})$

$$\text{Joint MAP } (\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) = \arg \max_{\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}} \{p(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{y})\}$$

$$\text{Joint sampling } \mathbf{x} \sim p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathbf{y}), \quad \boldsymbol{\theta} \sim p(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{y})$$

$$\text{Gibbs sampling } \mathbf{x} \sim p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathbf{y}), \quad \boldsymbol{\theta} \sim p(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$$

COMPUTATIONAL ASPECTS

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{y} &= \mathbf{Ax} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \\
 p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_1) &= p_{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{Ax}|\boldsymbol{\theta}_1) \\
 p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}_2) &= \frac{1}{Z(\boldsymbol{\theta}_2)} \exp [-\boldsymbol{\theta}_2^t \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x})] \\
 p(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{y}) &\propto p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_1) p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}_2) \pi(\boldsymbol{\theta}), \quad \boldsymbol{\theta} = (\boldsymbol{\theta}_1, \boldsymbol{\theta}_2)
 \end{aligned}$$

Estimation of $\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}$:

Mode: $(\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) = \arg \max_{(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta})} \{p(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{y})\}$, needs optimization

Mean: $\begin{cases} \mathbb{E}\{\mathbf{x}\} = \int \mathbf{x} p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{x} \\ \mathbb{E}\{\boldsymbol{\theta}\} = \int \boldsymbol{\theta} p(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{y}) d\boldsymbol{\theta} \end{cases}$, needs integrations

Sampling: $(\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \sim p(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{y})$, needs sampling techniques

- Main difficulty: $p(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{y})$ is not, in general, separable in $\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}$ neither in components of \mathbf{x} nor in components of $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ \rightarrow Separable Approximations

VARIATIONAL BAYES

$$p(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{y}) \simeq q_1(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{y}) q_2(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{y})$$

where $q_1(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{y})$ and $q_2(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{y})$ are such that $KL(q_1 q_2 : p)$ be minimized.

$$\begin{aligned} KL(q_1 q_2 : p) &= \int \int q_1(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{y}) q_2(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{y}) \ln \frac{q_1(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{y}) q_2(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{y})}{p(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{y})} d\mathbf{x} d\boldsymbol{\theta} \\ &= cte + \int q_1(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{y}) \left(\int q_2(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{y}) \ln \frac{q_1(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{y}) q_2(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{y})}{p(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{y})} d\boldsymbol{\theta} \right) d\mathbf{x} \\ &= cte + \int q_2(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{y}) \left(\int q_1(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{y}) \ln \frac{q_1(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{y}) q_2(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{y})}{p(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{y})} d\mathbf{x} \right) d\boldsymbol{\theta} \end{aligned}$$

- $KL(q_1 q_2 : p)$ is a convex function of q_1 and q_2 . This optimization can be done iteratively

$$\widehat{q}_1 = \arg \min_{q_1} \{KL(q_1 \widehat{q}_2 : p)\}$$

$$\widehat{q}_2 = \arg \min_{q_2} \{KL(\widehat{q}_1 q_2 : p)\}$$

WHERE DO WE HAVE TO GO ?

- Forward modeling and assigning a probability laws to the errors:

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}) + \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \longrightarrow \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_1) = q_{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}_1) = p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_1)$$

Link with physics \longrightarrow Likelihood

- Modeling unknown quantities \mathbf{x} and assigning probability laws:

Simple models: $p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}_1)$

Models with hidden variables: $p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_2), \quad p(\mathbf{z}|\boldsymbol{\theta}_3)$

- Assigning prior laws to the hyperparameters $p(\boldsymbol{\theta})$:

Conjugate, Reference, Entropic, Jeffreys priors

- Obtaining expressions of the posterior laws

$$p(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{y}) \propto p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_1) p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}_2) \pi(\boldsymbol{\theta}), \quad \boldsymbol{\theta} = (\boldsymbol{\theta}_1, \boldsymbol{\theta}_2)$$

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- Using posterior laws to give practical solutions:
Joint Modes, Means, Marginal modes or means, integration of nuisance parameters, ...
 - Computing modes needs huge dimensional multivariate optimization
 - Computing means needs huge dimensional multivariate integration
 - Sampling is a good tool for exploring the whole probability density and compute approximate means. However, sampling from a non-separable multivariate probability law is not so easy.
- Finding appropriate approximations to do fast computations:
Laplace approximation, Separable approximation, Variational and Mean Field approximations
- Evaluating the performances of the obtained algorithms
- Evaluating the remaining uncertainties

Thanks
and now starts
More deep presentations
on those aspects