#### **Collapsed Variational Dirichlet Process Mixture Models\***

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### Motivation

- Gibbs sampling is not efficient
- Sampling requires careful monitoring of the convergence of the Markov chain

Variational Bayesian methods

### Motivation

Variational methods:

- A good approximation of the DP
- Deterministic
- Handles "modern" datasets faster than Gibbs Sampling

### TSB and FSD

TSB: Truncated Stick Breaking process with standard variational bayesian model

FSD: Finite Symmetric Dirichlet representation with standard variational bayesian model

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## TSB: Truncated Stick Breaking process with standard variational bayesian model

$$v_{i} \sim \mathcal{B}(v_{i}; 1, \alpha) \qquad i = 1, ..., T - 1 \quad (1)$$

$$v_{T} = 1 \quad (2)$$

$$\pi_{i} = v_{i} \prod_{j < i} (1 - v_{j}) \qquad i = 1, ..., T \quad (3)$$

$$\pi_{i} = 0 \qquad i > T \quad (4)$$

$$P(X, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{v}, \boldsymbol{\eta}) = \left[\prod_{n=1}^{N} p(\mathbf{x}_n | \eta_{z_n}) p(z_n | \boldsymbol{\pi}(\mathbf{v}))\right] \left[\prod_{i=1}^{I} p(\eta_i) \mathcal{B}(v_i; 1, \alpha)\right]$$
(5)

**X** are data points, **z** are the assignments, **v** are the stick breaking weighs, and  $\eta$  is cluster parameters

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 $m{\pi} \sim \mathcal{D}(m{\pi}; rac{lpha}{K}, ..., rac{lpha}{K}) \;\;$  mixture weights following a symmetric dirichelet

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assume a large number of clusters K

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$$p_{\text{TSB}}(\mathbf{z}) = \prod_{i < T} \frac{\Gamma(1 + N_i)\Gamma(\alpha + N_{>i})}{\Gamma(1 + \alpha + N_{\geq i})}$$
(10)

$$p_{\text{FSD}}(\mathbf{z}) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha) \prod_{k=1}^{K} \Gamma(N_k + \frac{\alpha}{K})}{\Gamma(N+\alpha) \Gamma(\frac{\alpha}{K})^K}$$
(12)

with

$$N_{i} = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \mathbb{I}(z_{n} = i) \qquad N_{>i} = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \mathbb{I}(z_{n} > i) \qquad (11)$$

and  $N_{\geq i} = N_i + N_{>i}$ . For FSD we find instead,

# Lower bound formulation



## Lower bound formulation

$$\mathbf{B}(X) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{z_n} \int_{\mathrm{d}\eta_{z_n}} q(z_n) q(\eta_{z_n}) \log p(\mathbf{x}_n | \eta_{z_n}) + \sum_{i} \int_{\mathrm{d}\eta_i} q(\eta_i) \log \frac{p(\eta_i)}{q(\eta_i)} - \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{z_n} q(z_n) \log q(z_n) + \text{Extra Term}$$

$$\operatorname{Term}_{\text{TSB}} = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{z_n=1}^{T} q(z_n) \int_{d\mathbf{v}} \left[ \prod_{i=1}^{z_n} q(v_i) \right] \log p(z_n | \mathbf{v}) + \sum_{i=1}^{T} \int_{dv_i} q(v_i) \log \frac{p(v_i)}{q(v_i)}$$
(17)

$$\operatorname{Term}_{\text{FSD}} = \sum_{n} \sum_{z_{n}=1}^{K} \int_{d\pi} q(z_{n})q(\pi) \log p(z_{n}|\pi) + \int_{d\pi} q(\pi) \log \frac{p(\pi)}{q(\pi)}$$
(18)  
$$\operatorname{Term}_{\text{CTSB/CFSD}} = \sum_{\mathbf{z}} \left[ \prod_{n=1}^{N} q(z_{n}) \right] \log p(\mathbf{z})$$
(19)

### Update equations

$$\begin{split} q(\eta_i) &\propto p(\eta_i) \exp\left(\sum_n q(z_n = i) \log p(\mathbf{x}_n | \eta_i)\right) \\ q(z_n) &\propto \exp\left(\sum_{\mathbf{z}_{\neg n}} \prod_{m \neq n} q(z_m) \log p(z_n | \mathbf{z}_{\neg n})\right) \times \exp\left(\int_{\mathrm{d}\eta_{z_n}} q(\eta_{z_n}) \log p(\mathbf{x}_n | \eta_{z_n})\right) \end{split}$$

for TSB formulation:

$$p(z_n = i | \mathbf{z}_{\neg n}) = \frac{1 + N_i^{\neg n}}{1 + \alpha + N_{\geq i}^{\neg n}} \prod_{j < k} \frac{\alpha + N_{>i}^{\neg n}}{1 + \alpha + N_{\geq i}^{\neg n}}$$

for FSD formulation:

$$p(z_n = k | \mathbf{z}_{\neg n}) = \frac{N_k^{\neg n} + \frac{\alpha}{K}}{N^{\neg n} + \alpha}$$

# Optimal labels reordering



 Permutation of cluster labels change the probability, therefore, an optimal reordering of the labels will maximize that probability



## Experiments

Expl:

- Synthetic data from a mixture of 10 Gaussians in 16 dimensions with a separation coefficient c = 2
- 30 independently sampled training/testing data, 1000 test datapoints

Exp II:

- MNIST dataset 28\*28 images reduced to 50 dimensions with a PCA.
- 30 splits of the data, 5000 training and 10,000 testing.



Figure 2: Average log probability per data-point for test data as a function of N.

Figure 3: Relative average log probability per data-point for test data as a function of N.



Figure 4: Average log probability per data-point for test data as a function of T (for TSB methods) or K (for FSD methods).

Figure 5: Relative average log probability per data-point for test data as a function of T (for TSB methods) or K (for FSD methods).

# Exp II



### Conclusion

- There is little difference between TSB and FSD.
- Label re-ordering is important for the stick breaking representation (especially when we have no clue about how many clusters we may have).
- Variational bayesian algorithms are much more efficient computationally than Gibbs sampling, with almost no loss in accuracy.