Applied Bayesian Nonparametrics

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Dirichlet Process Mixtures



- *Mixture* model: Each observation is associated with exactly one underlying cluster or class
- Complex datasets may require a huge number of classes

Hierarchical Dirichlet Processes



- **Admixture** model: Each group of observations is associated with a *distribution* over latent clusters/classes/topics
- Conservation: Increasing mass of one topic decreases others

Latent Feature Models

K features

0

0.9

-2.8

-0.3

0

0

1.4

0

0.2

0



Focus today: Distributions on binary matrices indicating feature presence/absence

Depending on application, features can be associated with any parameter value of interest

(c)

objects

≥

1

5

0

2

5

3

0

1

0

K features

0

3

4

0

0

4

- Latent Feature model: Each group of observations is associated with a *subset* of the possible latent features
- Factorial power: There are 2^K combinations of K features
- Question: What is the analog of the DP for feature modeling?



Marginal likelihoods generally expressed as ratios of normalizers

From Assignments to Partitions



$$P(\mathbf{c}) = \int_{\Delta_K} \prod_{i=1}^n P(c_i | \theta) p(\theta) \, d\theta = \frac{\prod_{k=1}^K \Gamma(m_k + \frac{\alpha}{K})}{\Gamma(\frac{\alpha}{K})^K} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)}{\Gamma(N + \alpha)}$$
$$= \left(\frac{\alpha}{K}\right)^{K_+} \left(\prod_{k=1}^{K^+} \prod_{j=1}^{m_k - 1} (j + \frac{\alpha}{K})\right) \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)}{\Gamma(N + \alpha)}$$

 K_+ is the number of classes for which $m_k > 0$ There are K^N possible values for c

 $P(\mathbf{c}) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } K \rightarrow \infty$

Instead look at label equivalence classes: $K = K_0 + K_+$

$$P([\mathbf{c}]) = \sum_{\mathbf{c}\in[\mathbf{c}]} P(\mathbf{c}) = \frac{K!}{K_0!} \left(\frac{\alpha}{K}\right)^{K_+} \left(\prod_{k=1}^{K^+} \prod_{j=1}^{m_k-1} (j+\frac{\alpha}{K})\right) \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)}{\Gamma(N+\alpha)}$$





Finite Beta-Bernoulli Features



 $m_k = \sum_{i=1}^N z_{ik}$

$$p(\pi_k) = \frac{\pi_k^{r-1} (1 - \pi_k)^{s-1}}{B(r, s)} \quad P(\mathbf{Z}|\pi) = \prod_{k=1}^K \prod_{i=1}^N P(z_{ik}|\pi_k) = \prod_{k=1}^K \pi_k^{m_k} (1 - \pi_k)^{N-m_k}$$

$$B(r, s) = \int_0^1 \pi_k^{r-1} (1 - \pi_k)^{s-1} d\pi_k = \frac{\Gamma(r)\Gamma(s)}{\Gamma(r+s)}$$

$$B(\frac{\alpha}{K}, 1) = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{\alpha}{K})}{\Gamma(1 + \frac{\alpha}{K})} = \frac{K}{\alpha}$$

$$P(\mathbf{Z}) = \prod_{k=1}^K \int \left(\prod_{i=1}^N P(z_{ik}|\pi_k)\right) p(\pi_k) d\pi_k = \prod_{k=1}^K \frac{\frac{\alpha}{K} \Gamma(m_k + \frac{\alpha}{K}) \Gamma(N - m_k + 1)}{\Gamma(N + 1 + \frac{\alpha}{K})}$$

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Left-Ordered Forms (LOFs)



Assignments to LOFs and a Limit



Consider histories *h*: All possible usage patterns for one feature across the N objects.

$$P([\mathbf{Z}]) = \sum_{\mathbf{Z}\in[\mathbf{Z}]} P(\mathbf{Z}) = \frac{K!}{\prod_{h=0}^{2^{N}-1} K_{h}!} \prod_{k=1}^{K} \frac{\frac{\alpha}{K} \Gamma(m_{k} + \frac{\alpha}{K}) \Gamma(N - m_{k} + 1)}{\Gamma(N + 1 + \frac{\alpha}{K})}$$
$$\lim_{K \to \infty} \frac{\alpha^{K_{+}}}{\prod_{h=1}^{2^{N}-1} K_{h}!} \cdot \frac{K!}{K_{0}! K^{K_{+}}} \cdot \left(\frac{N!}{\prod_{j=1}^{N} (j + \frac{\alpha}{K})}\right)^{K} \cdot \prod_{k=1}^{K_{+}} \frac{(N - m_{k})! \prod_{j=1}^{m_{k}-1} (j + \frac{\alpha}{K})}{N!}$$
$$= \frac{\alpha^{K_{+}}}{\prod_{h=1}^{2^{N}-1} K_{h}!} \cdot 1 \cdot \exp\{-\alpha H_{N}\} \cdot \prod_{k=1}^{K_{+}} \frac{(N - m_{k})! (m_{k} - 1)!}{N!},$$
$$H_{N} = \sum_{j=1}^{N} \frac{1}{j}$$

Poisson Distribution



If $X_i \sim \operatorname{Pois}(\lambda_i)$ follow a Poisson distribution with parameter λ_i and X_i are independent, then $Y = \sum_{i=1}^N X_i \sim \operatorname{Pois}\left(\sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i\right)$

Why Poisson? The Law of Rare Events

From Wikipedia:

We will prove that, for fixed λ , if

$$X_n \sim \mathcal{B}(n, \lambda/n); \qquad Y \sim \operatorname{Pois}(\lambda).$$

then for each fixed k

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} P(X_n = k) = P(Y = k)$$

To see the connection with the above discussion, for any Binomial random variable with large *n* and small *p* set $\lambda = np$. Note that the expectation $E(X_n) = \lambda$ is fixed with respect to *n*.

First, recall from calculus

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n} \right)^n = e^{-\lambda},$$

then since $p = \lambda / n$ in this case, we have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} P(X_n = k) = \lim_{n \to \infty} {n \choose k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n!}{(n-k)!k!} \left(\frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^k \left(1-\frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^{n-k}$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \underbrace{\left[\frac{n!}{n^k (n-k)!}\right]}_{A_n} \left(\frac{\lambda^k}{k!}\right) \underbrace{\left(1-\frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^n}_{\to \exp(-\lambda)} \underbrace{\left(1-\frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^{-k}}_{\to 1}$$

$$= \left[\lim_{n \to \infty} A_n\right] \left(\frac{\lambda^k}{k!}\right) \exp(-\lambda)$$

Like finite feature model, but there probabilities are random...