

Last time:

- SBL algo.
- Speed-up via matrix inversion lemma.
- Analysis of SBL
- Updating σ^2 : $y: A^T x = u, u \sim \mathcal{N}(u, \sigma^2 I)$
- Hyperprior on τ :

$$p_\tau(x) = \int p(x|\tau) p(\tau) d\tau$$

$$p_\tau(x) \propto \prod_{i=1}^n \left(b + \frac{x_i^2}{\tau} \right)^{-(a+1/2)}$$

As $a, b \rightarrow 0$, this becomes

$$\Rightarrow \max_x p(x|y) = \max_x \frac{p(y|x) p(x)}{p(y)}$$

$$\rightarrow \min_x -\log p(y|x) - \log p(x)$$

$$\rightarrow \min_x \frac{\|y - Ax\|_2^2}{\sigma^2} + \sum_{i=1}^n \log |x_i| \quad \text{penalty sparsity}$$

Today:

- Further details on the inverse gamma hyperprior
- Reweighted l_1 and l_2 algo for SBL.

Idea: Instead of working with $p_\tau(x)$ or $\prod_{i=1}^n \left(b + \frac{x_i^2}{\tau} \right)^{-(a+1/2)}$, we define an approx. to $p_\tau(x)$.

In fact, we consider a family of approx., and find the member of the family that max. Bayesian evidence

\rightarrow Link betw. $p_\tau(x)$ and $p_\tau(x; \tau, \lambda)$.

Let $\lambda_i = \frac{1}{\tau}$, and define

$$f(\lambda) = \log p_\tau(x) = -\left(a + \frac{1}{2}\right) \log \left(b + \frac{x_i^2}{\lambda} \right) + \text{const.}$$

Any convex fn. $f(x)$ can be written convex fn. of λ in its dual form:

$$f^*(\lambda) = \sup_x \lambda x - f(x)$$

$$f(x) = \sup_\lambda \lambda x - f^*(\lambda) \quad \text{conjugate fn.}$$

$$f^*(\lambda) = \sup_x \lambda x + \left(a + \frac{1}{2}\right) \log \left(b + \frac{x^2}{\lambda} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda + \frac{\left(a + \frac{1}{2}\right)}{\left(b + \frac{x^2}{\lambda}\right)} \cdot \frac{x}{\lambda} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{a + \frac{1}{2}}{b + \frac{x^2}{\lambda}} = -2\lambda$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{\lambda} = -2b - \frac{\left(a + \frac{1}{2}\right)}{\lambda}$$

$$f^*(\lambda) = -2b\lambda - \left(a + \frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(a + \frac{1}{2}\right) \log \left(\frac{\left(a + \frac{1}{2}\right)}{2\lambda} \right)$$

$$f(\lambda) = \max_x \lambda x - f^*(\lambda)$$

$$= \max_x \lambda x + 2b\lambda - \left(a + \frac{1}{2}\right) \log \left(\frac{\left(a + \frac{1}{2}\right)}{2\lambda} \right)$$

Replace λ with $-\frac{1}{2\lambda}$,

$$\log p_\tau(x) \propto \max_{\tau > 0} -\frac{\tau}{2} - \frac{1}{\tau} - \left(a + \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(\log \tau + \log \left(a + \frac{1}{2} \right) \right)$$

$$p_\tau(x) \propto \max_{\tau > 0} e^{-\frac{\tau}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{\tau}} \tau^{-\left(a + \frac{1}{2}\right)}$$

As $a, b \rightarrow 0$,

$$p_\tau(x) \propto \max_{\tau > 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tau}} e^{-\frac{\tau}{2}}, \quad \text{Gaussian distn!}$$

In SBL, we use a lower bound on $p_\tau(x)$ by letting τ be a "hyperparameter" and use type II ML to find a "soft" lower bound.

The prior: $p_\tau(x) \propto \prod_{i=1}^n \left(b + \frac{x_i^2}{\tau} \right)^{-(a+1/2)}$

encourages sparsity as $a, b \rightarrow 0$, but direct MAP estimate is hard.

So, using the dual form representation, we get

$$p_\tau(x) \propto \prod_{i=1}^n \max_{\lambda_i} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_i}} \tau^{-\left(a + \frac{1}{2}\right)} e^{-\frac{\tau}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{\lambda_i \tau}}$$

As $a, b \rightarrow 0$, this becomes

$$p_\tau(x) \propto \prod_{i=1}^n \max_{\lambda_i} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_i}} e^{-\frac{\tau}{2}} \tau^{-\left(a + \frac{1}{2}\right)}$$

Parametrized set of approx. to $p_\tau(x)$: $\mathcal{N}(x; \tau)$.

McKay update to speed up SBL:

$$L(Y) = -\log p(y; Y)$$

$$= \log \det(\sigma^2 I + A^T A) + y^T (\sigma^2 I + A^T A)^{-1} y$$

Differentiating w.r.t. τ_i and setting = 0, we arrive at the fixed pt. update:

$$\tau_i = \frac{\lambda_i^2}{1 - \tau_i \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2} \quad \text{HW}$$

where $\mu = (A^T A)^{-1} y = E\{x|y; \tau\}$

$$\Sigma = \text{Cov}\{x|y; \tau\} = (A^T A)^{-1} \Sigma^{-1} A$$

Considerably faster than EM. [Next time!]

Reweighted l_1 min. approach for SBL cost fn. min.

$$L(Y) = \log \det(\sigma^2 I + A^T A) + y^T (\sigma^2 I + A^T A)^{-1} y$$

$\underbrace{\log \det(\sigma^2 I + A^T A)}_{\text{Convex in } \tau} + \underbrace{y^T (\sigma^2 I + A^T A)^{-1} y}_{\text{Convex in } \tau}$

$$\log \det \Sigma_y = \left(\min_z \right) z^T y - g^*(z)$$

$$g^*(z) \triangleq \min_y z^T y - \log \det \Sigma_y$$

$$\text{Thus, } L(Y, z) = z^T y - g^*(z) + y^T (\sigma^2 I + A^T A)^{-1} y$$

$$\geq L(Y).$$

Following the EM approach, we min the upper bound.

For a given z , we $\min L(Y, z)$

For a given τ , we use the computation of $g^*(z)$ to update z : from the defn. of $g^*(z)$,

$$z_{\text{opt}} = \nabla_{\tau} \log \det \Sigma_y$$

Thus, we have the full procedure:

- Init: $z_i =$ something convenient, e.g. $z_i = 1$
- Repeat:
- $\tau \leftarrow \arg \min_{\tau} L_\tau(Y) = z^T y + y^T \Sigma_\tau^{-1} y$
 - $z \leftarrow \nabla_{\tau} \log \det \Sigma_y$
- Until convergence of τ to τ_0
- $$\tau = \tau_0 \Rightarrow \tau = \tau_0 \Rightarrow A^T A \Sigma_\tau^{-1} y$$

Output $x_* = E \cdot \lambda \cdot (1, 1, 1, 1, \dots, 1, 1, 1, 1, \dots)$

How do we compute ①?

⇒ Weighted ℓ_1 !

$$\text{② } y^T z_0 y = \min_x \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \|y - Ax\|_2^2 + \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\lambda_i}{\sigma_i} |x_i| \quad [\text{HW}]$$

$$x_* = \arg \min_x \|y - Ax\|_2^2 + 2\sigma^2 \sum_{i=1}^N \sqrt{\lambda_i} |x_i|$$

and then set $t_i = (\sqrt{\lambda_i})^{-1} |x_{*,i}|, i=1, 2, \dots, N.$

An auxiliary upper bound

$$L_2(y, x) = \sum_{i=1}^N \varepsilon_i t_i + \frac{\lambda_i}{\sigma_i} + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \|y - Ax\|_2^2 \geq L_2(y)$$

Jointly convex in t, x .
Given x , $t_i = \frac{\lambda_i}{\sigma_i} |x_i|$ is optimal.

Substituting,

$$L_2(y, x) = \sum_{i=1}^N \sqrt{\lambda_i} |x_i| + \sqrt{\lambda_i} |x_i| + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \|y - Ax\|_2^2$$

⇒ ① can be solved by finding

$$x_* = \arg \min_x \|y - Ax\|_2^2 + 2\sigma^2 \sum_{i=1}^N \sqrt{\lambda_i} |x_i|$$

And then setting $t_i = \frac{\lambda_i}{\sigma_i} |x_{*,i}|.$

Global Convergence:

Thm. From any initialization (t^0) , the seq. of hyperparameters generated via ① and ② is guaranteed to converge monotonically to a local min or saddle pt. of the SBL cost $R_L(t)$.

Proof: See Wipf and Nagarajan, "A new view of automatic relevance determination (ARD)".