

Pairwise graphical models and Markov random fields

Definition

For undirected graph $\mathcal{G} := (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E})$, finite alphabet \mathcal{X} , functions $\psi_i : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$, $i \in \mathcal{V}$, $\psi_e : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$, $e \in \mathcal{E}$, the probability distribution μ on $\mathcal{X}^{\mathcal{V}}$ defined by
$$\mu(x) := \frac{1}{Z} \prod_{i \in \mathcal{V}} \psi_i(x_i) \prod_{e=(i,j) \in \mathcal{E}} \psi_{i,j}(x_i, x_j)$$

is a **pairwise graphical model** with underlying graph \mathcal{G}

The normalization constant $Z = \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}^{\mathcal{V}}} \prod_{i \in \mathcal{V}} \psi_i(x_i) \prod_{e=(i,j) \in \mathcal{E}} \psi_{i,j}(x_i, x_j)$ is known as its partition function.

Example

Ising model: $\mathcal{X} = \{-1, 1\}$, $\psi_i(x_i) = e^{h_i x_i}$, $\psi_{ij}(x_i, x_j) = e^{J_{ij} x_i x_j}$.

X_i : spin at site i ; h_i : external field at i ; J_{ij} : coupling coefficient between sites i and j

Definition

For undirected graph $\mathcal{G} := (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E})$, finite alphabet \mathcal{X} , probability measure μ on $\mathcal{X}^{\mathcal{V}}$, (\mathcal{G}, μ) : Markov field if there exist functions $\psi_K : \mathcal{X}^K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ indexed by **cliques** K of \mathcal{G} and Z such that

$$\mu(x) = \frac{1}{Z} \prod_K \psi_K(x_K), x \in \mathcal{X}^{\mathcal{V}},$$

where $x_K := (x_i)_{i \in K}$.

Easy property: For any pairwise graphical model μ with underlying graph \mathcal{G} , (μ, \mathcal{G}) is a Markov random field.

Definition

For subsets $A, B, C \subset \mathcal{V}$, C separates A and B in \mathcal{G} if any path in \mathcal{G} from A to B traverses C . We denote this $A \underset{\mathcal{G}}{\overset{C}{-}} B$.

Hammersley-Clifford Theorem

Theorem

For Markov field (μ, \mathcal{G}) , and A, B, C such that $A \stackrel{C}{\perp} B$, then under μ , X_A and X_B are independent conditionally on X_C .

Conversely, for any probability measure μ on \mathcal{X}^V such that $\forall x \in \mathcal{X}^V, \mu(x) > 0$ and for all A, B, C such that $A \stackrel{C}{\perp} B$, under μ , X_A and X_B are independent conditionally on X_C , then (μ, \mathcal{G}) is a Markov field.

Markov random field distributions: $\mu(x) = \frac{1}{Z}\psi(x)$, $x \in \mathcal{X}^V$.

For $\psi > 0$, $\mu(x) = \frac{1}{Z}e^{-E(x)/T}$, Boltzmann distribution with energy $E(x)$ and temperature T

Definition

Gibbs **free energy** functional

$\mathbb{G} : M(\mathcal{X}^V) =$ probability measures on $\mathcal{X}^V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$\mathbb{G}(\nu) := -H(\nu) - \mathbb{E}_\nu \ln \psi(x)$, where

$H(\nu) := \sum_x \nu(x) \ln(1/\nu(x))$: Shannon entropy of ν

Proposition

\mathbb{G} strictly convex on $M(\mathcal{X}^V)$, minimal at $\nu = \mu$, the Boltzmann-Gibbs distribution, and $\mathbb{G}(\mu) = -\ln(Z)$.

Remark

Recall Kullback-Leibler divergence between distributions on discrete \mathcal{X} :

$D(p\|q) := \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} p(x) \ln \left(\frac{p(x)}{q(x)} \right)$. Then $\mathbb{G}(\nu) = -\ln(Z) + D(\nu\|\mu)$.

Tree Markov fields and belief propagation

(\mathcal{G}, μ) : \mathcal{G} tree graph, $\mu(x) = \frac{1}{Z} \prod_{i \in \mathcal{V}} \psi_i(x_i) \prod_{(ij) \in \mathcal{E}} \psi_{ij}(x_i, x_j)$, $x \in \mathcal{X}^{\mathcal{V}}$

For edge (ij) of \mathcal{G} with orientation $i \rightarrow j$, $\mathcal{T}_{i \rightarrow j} = (\mathcal{V}_{i \rightarrow j}, \mathcal{E}_{i \rightarrow j})$: subtree of \mathcal{G} = connected component of i after removal of edge (ij)

Let $\mu_{i \rightarrow j}(x_{\mathcal{V}_{i \rightarrow j}}) = \frac{1}{Z_{i \rightarrow j}} \prod_{k \in \mathcal{V}_{i \rightarrow j}} \psi_k(x_k) \prod_{(kl) \in \mathcal{E}_{i \rightarrow j}} \psi_{kl}(x_k, x_l)$:
Pairwise graphical model induced on $\mathcal{T}_{i \rightarrow j}$

Let:

$b_{i \rightarrow j}(x_i)$ = marginal of X_i under $\mu_{i \rightarrow j}$,

$\mu(x_i)$ = marginal of X_i under μ ,

$\mu_{ij}(x_i, x_j)$ = marginal of (X_i, X_j) under μ

Recursive computations on trees

For leaf node i with incident edge (ij) in \mathcal{G} ,

$$b_{i \rightarrow j}(x_i) = \frac{1}{Z_{i \rightarrow j}} \psi_i(x_i), \quad Z_{i \rightarrow j} = \sum_{x_i \in \mathcal{X}} \psi_i(x_i).$$

Induction for non-leaf node i :

$$b_{i \rightarrow j}(x_i) = \frac{1}{Z_{i \rightarrow j}} \sum_{x_k, k \in \mathcal{V}_{i \rightarrow j} \setminus \{i\}} \prod_{k \in \mathcal{V}_{i \rightarrow j}} \psi_k(x_k) \prod_{(kl) \in \mathcal{E}_{i \rightarrow j}} \psi_{kl}(x_k, x_l)$$

$$= \frac{1}{Z_{i \rightarrow j}} \psi_i(x_i) \prod_{k \sim i, k \neq j} \sum_{x_k} \psi_{ki}(x_k, x_i) Z_{k \rightarrow i} b_{k \rightarrow i}(x_k).$$

$$Z_{i \rightarrow j} = \sum_{x_k, k \in \mathcal{V}_{i \rightarrow j}} \prod_{k \in \mathcal{V}_{i \rightarrow j}} \psi_k(x_k) \prod_{(kl) \in \mathcal{E}_{i \rightarrow j}} \psi_{kl}(x_k, x_l)$$
$$= \sum_{x_i \in \mathcal{X}} \psi_i(x_i) \prod_{k \sim i, k \neq j} \sum_{x_k} \psi_{ki}(x_k, x_i) Z_{k \rightarrow i} b_{k \rightarrow i}(x_k).$$

Formulas for marginals

$$\mu_i(x_i) = \frac{1}{Z} \psi_i(x_i) \prod_{k \sim i} \sum_{x_k} \psi_{ki}(x_k, x_i) Z_{k \rightarrow i} b_{k \rightarrow i}(x_k),$$

$$\mu_{ij}(x_i, x_j) = \frac{1}{Z} \psi_{ij}(x_i, x_j) Z_{i \rightarrow j} b_{i \rightarrow j}(x_i) Z_{j \rightarrow i} b_{j \rightarrow i}(x_j),$$

$$Z = \sum_{x_i \in \mathcal{X}} \psi_i(x_i) \prod_{k \sim i} \sum_{x_k} \psi_{ki}(x_k, x_i) Z_{k \rightarrow i} b_{k \rightarrow i}(x_k).$$

Computational cost for obtaining Z and all marginals, with recursive approach: $O(|\mathcal{X}|^2)$ cost per oriented edge, hence $O(|\mathcal{V}| \cdot |\mathcal{X}|^2)$ operations in total.

Compare to brute force computation of Z : sum of $|\mathcal{X}|^{|\mathcal{V}|}$ terms...

Belief Propagation (a.k.a. Product-Sum) Algorithm

Iteratively update *beliefs*, or *messages* $b_{i \rightarrow j}$ by letting

$$b_{i \rightarrow j}(x_i) \propto \psi_i(x_i) \prod_{k \sim i, k \neq j} \sum_{x_k} \psi_{ki}(x_k, x_i) b_{k \rightarrow i}(x_k)$$

- Can be run synchronously or asynchronously
- Converges after each vector $b_{i \rightarrow j}$ updated finite number of times
- Limit values allow to determine marginals and normalization constants

Tree Markov fields, further properties

$$\begin{aligned}\mu(x) &= \prod_{i \in \mathcal{V}} \mu_i(x_i) \prod_{(ij) \in \mathcal{E}} \frac{\mu_{ij}(x_i, x_j)}{\mu_i(x_i) \mu_j(x_j)} \\ &= \prod_{i \in \mathcal{V}} \mu_i(x_i)^{1-d_i} \prod_{(ij) \in \mathcal{E}} \mu_{ij}(x_i, x_j)\end{aligned}$$

Proof.

Induction on $|\mathcal{V}|$: for leaf node i , and incident edge (ij) , write

$$\mu(x) = \frac{\mu_{ij}(x_i, x_j)}{\mu_j(x_j)} \mathbb{P}_\mu(X_{\mathcal{V}-i} = x_{\mathcal{V}-i})$$

Note that $\mathbb{P}_\mu(X_{\mathcal{V}-i} = \cdot)$: tree Markov field on $\mathcal{T}_{j \rightarrow i} \dots$ □

Belief propagation in general (non-tree) Markov fields

Recall Gibbs free energy $\mathbb{G}(\nu) = -H(\nu) - \mathbb{E}_\nu \ln \psi(x)$ minimized by Boltzmann-Gibbs distribution $\mu(x) \propto \psi(x)$.

For $\psi(x) = \prod_{i \in \mathcal{V}} \psi_i(x_i) \prod_{(ij) \in \mathcal{E}} \psi_{ij}(x_i, x_j)$, “energy” term:

$$\mathbb{E}_\nu \ln(\psi(x)) = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{V}} \sum_{x_i \in \mathcal{X}} \nu_i(x_i) \ln(\psi_i(x_i)) + \sum_{(ij) \in \mathcal{E}} \sum_{x_i, x_j \in \mathcal{X}} \nu_{ij}(x_i, x_j) \ln(\psi_{ij}(x_i, x_j)),$$

where ν_i, ν_{ij} : marginals of ν .

If $\mathcal{G} = \text{tree}$, and (\mathcal{G}, ν) = tree Markov field, entropy term:

$$\begin{aligned} H(\nu) &= \sum_{(ij) \in \mathcal{E}} \sum_{x_i, x_j \in \mathcal{X}} \nu_{ij}(x_i, x_j) \ln \left(\frac{1}{\nu_{ij}(x_i, x_j)} \right) \\ &+ \sum_{i \in \mathcal{V}} \sum_{x_i \in \mathcal{X}} (1 - d_i) \nu_i(x_i) \ln \left(\frac{1}{\nu_i(x_i)} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Bethe free energy

Using expression for tree-field entropy, free energy becomes

$$\mathbb{G}_{\text{Bethe}}(\{\nu_i\}_{i \in \mathcal{V}}, \{\nu_{ij}\}_{(ij) \in \mathcal{E}}) := \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \dots \sum_{i \in \mathcal{V}} \sum_{x_i \in \mathcal{X}} \nu_i(x_i) [-\ln(\psi_i(x_i)) + (1 - d_i) \ln(\nu_i(x_i))] \\ & + \sum_{(ij) \in \mathcal{E}} \sum_{x_i, x_j \in \mathcal{X}} \nu_{ij}(x_i, x_j) [-\ln(\psi_{ij}(x_i, x_j)) + \ln(\nu_{ij}(x_i, x_j))] \end{aligned}$$

Natural constraints:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{x_i \in \mathcal{X}} \nu_i(x_i) &= 1, \quad i \in \mathcal{V}, \\ \sum_{x_i, x_j \in \mathcal{X}} \nu_{ij}(x_i, x_j) &= 1, \quad (ij) \in \mathcal{E}, \\ \nu_i(x_i) &= \sum_{x_j \in \mathcal{X}} \nu_{ij}(x_i, x_j), \quad i \in \mathcal{V}, x_i \in \mathcal{X}, (ij) \in \mathcal{E}. \end{aligned}$$

Remark

- 1) Number of variables $|\mathcal{X}|^{|\mathcal{V}|}$ in Gibbs free energy $\rightarrow |\mathcal{V}| \cdot |\mathcal{X}| + |\mathcal{E}| \cdot |\mathcal{X}|^2$ in Bethe free energy
- 2) For marginal distributions ν_i, ν_{ij} satisfying constraints, existence of ν on $\mathcal{X}^{\mathcal{V}}$ with these marginals is not guaranteed

Bethe Free Energy minimization and belief propagation

Lagrangian for BFE minimization:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}((\nu_i, \nu_{ij}), (\alpha_i, \beta_{ij}, \lambda_{i \rightarrow j})) &= \mathbb{G}_{\text{Bethe}}(\{\nu_i\}, \{\nu_{ij}\}) \\ &+ \sum_{i \in \mathcal{V}} \alpha_i (\sum_{x_i \in \mathcal{X}} \nu_i(x_i) - 1) \\ &+ \sum_{(ij) \in \mathcal{E}} \beta_{ij} (\sum_{x_i, x_j \in \mathcal{X}} \nu_{ij}(x_i, x_j) - 1) \\ &+ \sum_{(i \rightarrow j)} \sum_{x_i \in \mathcal{X}} \lambda_{i \rightarrow j}(x_i) [\nu_i(x_i) - \sum_{x_j \in \mathcal{X}} \nu_{ij}(x_i, x_j)]. \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

Stationarity conditions: $\partial \mathcal{L} / \partial \alpha_i = \partial \mathcal{L} / \partial \beta_{ij} = \partial \mathcal{L} / \partial \lambda_{i \rightarrow j}(x_i) = 0$, and

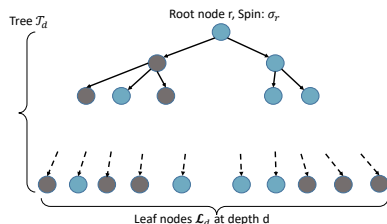
$$\begin{aligned} -\ln \psi_{ij}(x_i, x_j) + 1 + \ln \nu_{ij}(x_i, x_j) - \lambda_{i \rightarrow j}(x_i) - \lambda_{j \rightarrow i}(x_j) + \beta_{ij} &= 0, \\ -\ln \psi_i(x_i) + (1 - d_i)(1 + \ln \nu_i(x_i)) + \alpha_i + \sum_{j \sim i} \lambda_{i \rightarrow j}(x_i) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem

Assume that $\psi_i(x_i)$ and $\psi_{ij}(x_i, x_j) > 0$ for all $(i, j) \in \mathcal{E}$ and $x_i, x_j \in \mathcal{X}$.

There is then a one-to-one correspondence between stationary points of Lagrangian (1) associated with BFE minimization and fixed points $b_{i \rightarrow j}(x_i)$ of BP, obtained via relationships $b_{i \rightarrow j}(x_i) = \exp(\lambda_{i \rightarrow j}(x_i))$.

The tree reconstruction problem



Tree \mathcal{T} , root r . \mathcal{L}_d : nodes in generation d (at distance d from r).

Tree of nodes of generations $0, \dots, d$: $\mathcal{T}_d = (V_d, E_d)$.

$\sigma_i \in [q]$: "trait" of individual i . $p(i)$: parent of i .

Probabilistic transmission: $\mathbb{P}(\sigma_{\mathcal{L}_d} = s_{\mathcal{L}_d} | \mathcal{T}, \sigma_{V_{d-1}}) = \prod_{i \in \mathcal{L}_d} P_{\sigma_{p(i)} s_i}$ where P : stochastic matrix, assumed irreducible, with invariant distribution ν on $[q]$

The tree reconstruction problem

Assume root spin $\sigma_r \sim \nu$. Then $\mathbb{P}(\sigma_{V_d} = s_{V_d} | \mathcal{T}) = \nu_{s_r} \prod_{(i,j) \in E_d, i=p(j)} P_{s_i s_j}$

→ A tree Markov field.

Special case: $P_{\tau\tau} = p$, $P_{\tau s} = \frac{1-p}{q-1}$, $s \neq \tau$: symmetric Potts model ($q = 2$: Ising model).

Question: can one estimate σ_r from $\mathcal{T}_d, \sigma_{\mathcal{L}_d}$ non-trivially as $d \rightarrow \infty$?

Assumptions on \mathcal{T} : either deterministic, or Galton-Watson branching tree.

Information theory background

Shannon entropy

$H(\nu) = \sum_s \nu_s \ln(1/\nu_s)$ → also denote $H(X)$ for r.v. X

Conditional entropy

$$\begin{aligned} H(X|Y) &:= \sum_{x,y} p_{X,Y}(x,y) \ln \left(\frac{1}{p_{X|Y}(x|y)} \right) \\ &= H(\{X, Y\}) - H(Y) \\ &= \sum_y p_Y(y) H(\mathcal{L}(X|Y = y)). \end{aligned}$$

Mutual information

$$\begin{aligned} I(X; Y) &= H(X) + H(Y) - H(\{X, Y\}) \\ &= \sum_{x,y} p_{X,Y}(x,y) \ln \left(\frac{p_{X,Y}(x,y)}{p_X(x)p_Y(y)} \right) \\ &= D(p_{X,Y} \| p_X \otimes p_Y). \end{aligned}$$

Non-negativity of KL divergence $\Rightarrow I(X; Y) \geq 0$.

Information theory background

Conditional mutual information

$$\begin{aligned} I(X; Y|Z) &:= H(X|Z) + H(Y|Z) - H(\{X, Y\}|Z) \\ &= \sum_z p_Z(z) D(p_{\{X, Y\}|Z=z} \| p_{X|Z=z} \otimes p_{Y|Z=z}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow I(X; Y|Z) \geq 0.$$

Chain rule: $I(X; \{Y, Z\}) = I(X; Z) + I(X; Y|Z)$.

Lemma

Data processing inequality: Let X, Y, Z such that X, Y independent conditional on Z . Then $I(X; Y) \leq I(X; Z)$.

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} I(X; (Y, Z)) &= I(X; Z) + I(X; Y|Z) = I(X; Z) \quad (\text{conditional independence}) \\ I(X; (Y, Z)) &= I(X; Y) + I(X; Z|Y) \geq I(X; Y) \quad (\text{non-negativity of mutual information}) \end{aligned}$$

□

Non-trivial tree reconstruction

Let $\mathcal{F}_d = \sigma(\mathcal{T}_d, \sigma_{V_d})$, $\mathcal{G}_d = \sigma(\mathcal{T}_d, \sigma_{\mathcal{L}_d})$, $\hat{\nu}_{s,d} = \mathbb{P}(\sigma_r = s | \mathcal{G}_d)$, $s \in [q]$.

Then

$$\begin{aligned} I(\sigma_r; \mathcal{G}_d) &= H(\sigma_r) - H(\sigma_r | \mathcal{G}_d) \\ &= \mathbb{E} \sum_{s \in [q]} \hat{\nu}_{s,d} \ln(\hat{\nu}_{s,d} / \nu_s) \\ &= \mathbb{E} D(\{\hat{\nu}_{s,d}\}_{s \in [q]} \| \nu). \end{aligned}$$

For \mathcal{T} : deterministic or Galton-Watson, conditionally on \mathcal{G}_d , σ_r and \mathcal{G}_{d+1} are independent.

\Rightarrow (data processing inequality) $I(\sigma_r; \mathcal{G}_d) \geq I(\sigma_r; \mathcal{G}_{d+1})$.

$\Rightarrow \exists \lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} I(\sigma_r; \mathcal{G}_d)$.

Definition

tree reconstruction is feasible if and only if $\lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} I(\sigma_r; \mathcal{G}_d) > 0$.

Proposition

Non-reconstructibility, i.e. $\lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} I(\sigma_r; \mathcal{G}_d) = 0$ is equivalent to $\forall s \in [q], \hat{\nu}_{s,d} \xrightarrow{d \rightarrow \infty} \nu_s$ in probability.

Proof: By irreducibility, $\inf_{s \in [q]} \nu_s > 0$.

Map $f : M([q]) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$, $f(\mu) := D(\mu || \nu)$ is thus continuous, null only for $\mu = \nu$.

Recall that $I(\sigma_r; \mathcal{G}_d) = \mathbb{E}f(\{\hat{\nu}_{\cdot,d}\})$. Thus if $I(\sigma_r; \mathcal{G}_d) \xrightarrow{d \rightarrow \infty} 0$, then for all $\epsilon > 0$, $\mathbb{P}(\{\hat{\nu}_{\cdot,d}\} \in \{\mu \in M([q]) : f(\mu) \geq \epsilon\}) \xrightarrow{d \rightarrow \infty} 0$. Hence $\{\hat{\nu}_{\cdot,d}\} \rightarrow \nu$ in probability.

Conversely if $\{\hat{\nu}_{\cdot,d}\} \rightarrow \nu$ in probability, by continuity of f and compactness of $M([q])$, $I(\sigma_r; \mathcal{G}_d) \rightarrow f(\nu) = 0$.

Illustration of non-reconstructibility

Estimate $\hat{\sigma}_r = \phi(\mathcal{G}_d)$ maximizing $\mathbb{P}(\hat{\sigma}_r = \sigma_r)$, i.e. maximizing

$$\mathbb{E}(\mathbb{I}_{\hat{\sigma}_r = \sigma_r}) = \mathbb{E} \sum_{s \in [q]} \hat{\nu}_{s,d} \mathbb{I}_{\hat{\sigma}_r = s},$$

achieved by $\hat{\sigma}_r \in \arg \max_{s \in [q]} \{\hat{\nu}_{s,d}\}$, yielding

$$\mathbb{P}(\hat{\sigma}_r = \sigma_r) = \mathbb{E} \max_{s \in [q]} \hat{\nu}_{s,d}.$$

For ν : uniform on $[q]$,

$$\text{non-reconstructibility} \Leftrightarrow \max_{s \in [q]} \hat{\nu}_{s,d} \xrightarrow{d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{q} \Leftrightarrow \mathbb{E} \max_{s \in [q]} \hat{\nu}_{s,d} \xrightarrow{d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{q}$$

Hence non-reconstructibility equivalent to $\mathbb{P}(\hat{\sigma}_r = \sigma_r) \xrightarrow{d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{q}$,

performance that can be achieved trivially

(take fixed or random σ_r , independent of \mathcal{G}_d)

Census reconstructibility

Define generation d 's **census**: $X_d = \{X_{s,d}\}_{s \in [q]}$ where
 $X_{s,d} := \sum_{i \in \mathcal{L}_d} \mathbb{I}_{\sigma_i = s}$.

Definition

Census reconstructibility holds if $\lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} I(\sigma_r; X_d) > 0$.

Remark

Data processing inequality ensures $\lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} I(\sigma_r; X_d)$ exists for Galton-Watson tree \mathcal{T} .

It also ensures $I(\sigma_r; \mathcal{G}_d) \geq I(\sigma_r; X_d)$. Hence census reconstructibility implies (tree) reconstructibility.

Assume \mathcal{T} : Galton-Watson, with r.v. Z : number of children verifying $\mathbb{E}Z = \alpha > 1$ and $\mathbb{E}Z^2 < \infty$.

For transition matrix $P_{s\tau} := \mathbb{P}(\sigma_i = \tau | \sigma_{p(i)} = s)$, let $\lambda_2(P)$: eigenvalue of P with second largest modulus ($\lambda_1(P) = 1$).

Census reconstructibility and Kesten-Stigum threshold

Theorem

If $\alpha |\lambda_2(P)|^2 > 1$, census reconstructibility holds.

Proof: Let $\{x_s\}_{s \in [q]}$: eigenvector of P for $\lambda_2(P)$. Necessarily, x non-constant, since constant vector: eigenvector for $\lambda_1(P) = 1$.

Let $Z_d = \phi(X_d) = \sum_{s \in [q]} x_s X_{s,d} (\alpha \lambda_2)^{-d}$.

We shall show that $\liminf I(\sigma_r; Z_d) > 0$, using

Lemma

$\{Z_d\}$: uniformly integrable \mathcal{F}_d -martingale, where $\mathcal{F}_d = \sigma(\mathcal{T}_d, \sigma_{V_d})$.

Background on martingales

Definition

Family of random variables $\{M_d\}_{d \geq 0}$ is a martingale for filtration $\{\mathcal{G}_d\}_{d \geq 0}$ iff $\forall d \geq 0, \mathbb{E}(M_{d+1} | \mathcal{G}_d) = M_d$.

It is uniformly integrable iff $\lim_{A \rightarrow +\infty} \sup_d \mathbb{E}(|M_d| \mathbb{I}_{|M_d| > A}) = 0$.

Theorem

For uniformly integrable $\{\mathcal{G}_d\}$ -martingale $\{M_d\}$, there exists \mathcal{G}_∞ -measurable random variable M_∞ such that:

$$M_d = \mathbb{E}(M_\infty | \mathcal{G}_d), \quad d \geq 0;$$

$M_d \xrightarrow{d \rightarrow \infty} M_\infty$ almost surely and in \mathbb{L}^1 .

Theorem

Let $\{\mathcal{H}_d\}$: decreasing sequence of σ -fields ($\mathcal{H}_{d+1} \subseteq \mathcal{H}_d$). For integrable r.v. X , then $X_d := \mathbb{E}(X | \mathcal{H}_d)$ verifies

$X_d \xrightarrow{d \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}(X | \mathcal{H}_\infty)$ almost surely and in \mathbb{L}^1 .

Lemma's proof

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}(Z_d|\mathcal{F}_{d-1}) &= (\alpha\lambda_2)^{-d}\mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i\in\mathcal{L}_{d-1}}\sum_{j:p(j)=i}x_{\sigma_j}|\mathcal{F}_{d-1}\right] \\ &= (\alpha\lambda_2)^{-d}\sum_{i\in\mathcal{L}_{d-1}}\alpha\sum_{s\in[q]}P_{\sigma_i s}x_s \\ &= Z_{d-1}.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}Z_d &= \text{Var}(\mathbb{E}(Z_d|\mathcal{F}_{d-1})) + \mathbb{E}(\text{Var}(Z_d|\mathcal{F}_{d-1})) \\ &= \text{Var}(Z_{d-1}) + |\alpha\lambda_2|^{-2d}\mathbb{E}[\text{Var}(\sum_{i\in\mathcal{L}_d}x_{\sigma_i}|\mathcal{F}_{d-1})] \\ &= \text{Var}(Z_{d-1}) + |\alpha\lambda_2|^{-2d}\mathbb{E}[\sum_{i\in\mathcal{L}_{d-1}}\text{Var}(\sum_{j:p(j)=i}x_{\sigma_j}|\mathcal{F}_{d-1})] \\ &\leq \text{Var}(Z_{d-1}) + |\alpha\lambda_2|^{-2d}\mathbb{E}(|\mathcal{L}_{d-1}|)\sup_s|x_s|^2\mathbb{E}(Z^2) \\ &\leq \text{Var}(Z_{d-1}) + C(\alpha|\lambda_2|^2)^{-d}.\end{aligned}$$

Hence $\sup_{d>0}\text{Var}(Z_d) \leq \frac{C'}{\alpha|\lambda_2|^2-1} < +\infty$.

Uniform integrability follows: $\sup_d\mathbb{E}(|Z_d|\mathbb{I}_{|Z_d|>A}) \leq \sup_d\frac{1}{A}\mathbb{E}|Z_d|^2 \leq \frac{C''}{A}$.

By martingale convergence theorem, $Z_d \xrightarrow[d \rightarrow \infty]{\text{a.s. } \mathbb{L}^1} Z_\infty$.

Necessarily $\mathbb{E}[Z_\infty | \mathcal{F}_0] = Z_0 = x_{\sigma_r}$.

Assume that for Lebesgue almost all $t \in \mathbb{R}$, $\mathbb{I}_{Z_\infty \leq t}$ independent of σ_r , and thus $\forall s \in [q]$, $\mathbb{P}(Z_\infty \leq t | \sigma_r = s) = \mathbb{P}(Z_\infty \leq t)$.

Then $\mathbb{E}(Z_\infty | \sigma_r = s)$ independent of $s \in [q]$, a contradiction.

Thus there exists a set of positive Lebesgue measure of $t \in \mathbb{R}$ such that Z_∞, σ_r non-independent.

Choose such t that is also a continuity point of $\mathbb{P}(Z_\infty \leq t | \sigma_r = s)$ for all $s \in [q]$

For such t , a.s. $\lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}(\sigma_r = s | Z_d \leq t) = \mathbb{P}(\sigma_r = s | Z_\infty \leq t)$

$\Rightarrow \lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} I(\sigma_r; \mathbb{I}_{Z_d \leq t}) = I(\sigma_r; \mathbb{I}_{Z_\infty \leq t}) > 0$

$\Rightarrow \lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} I(\sigma_r; Z_d) > 0$, i.e. census reconstructibility