

A training set  $S = \{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)} \dots x^{(n)}\}$

Learn is distribution from which  $S$  is drawn.

The distribution of drawing  $x$  depends on a latent variable  $z$ .

Assume: Latent variable  $z$  take one of  $\{1, 2 \dots k\}$ .

Let  $\theta$  be the parameters of the distribution.

$$L(\theta) = \log \prod_{i=1}^n p_{\theta}(x^{(i)})$$

Depends on latent variable  $z \in \{1, \dots, k\}$ .

$$= \log \prod_{i=1}^n \sum_{z=1}^k p_{\theta}(x^{(i)}, z)$$

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Jensen's Inequality: Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be ~~convex~~ convex.

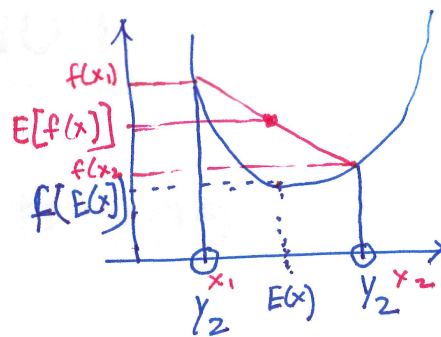
$$f''(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x.$$

$$f(E(x)) \leq E[f(x)]$$

Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be concave then

$$f''(x) \leq 0 \quad \forall x.$$

$$f(E[x]) \geq E[f(x)].$$



Example:  $f(x) = \log x$ .

$f$  is concave

$f(x) = -\log x$  is convex.

$$f''(x) = -\frac{1}{x^2} \leq 0 \quad \forall x.$$

Find  $\theta$  that maximizes

$$L(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log \sum_{z=1}^k p_{\theta}(x^{(i)}, z)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \log \sum_{z=1}^k \underbrace{Q_i(z)} \frac{p_{\theta}(x^{(i)}, z)}{Q_i(z)}$$

Suppose we pick  $Q_i$  such that  $\forall i$ .

$$\sum_{z=1}^k Q_i(z) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad Q_i(z) \geq 0 \quad \forall z$$

$$\sum_{z=1}^k Q_i(z) \frac{p_{\theta}(x^{(i)}, z)}{Q_i(z)} = E_{z \sim Q_i} \left[ \frac{p_{\theta}(x^{(i)}, z)}{Q_i(z)} \right]$$

$f(z)$   
 $z \in \{1, \dots, k\}$   
 $E[f(z)]$   
 $= \sum_{i=1}^k P(z=i) \cdot f(i)$

$$L(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log E_{z \sim Q_i} \left[ \frac{p_{\theta}(x^{(i)}, z)}{Q_i(z)} \right]$$

$$\geq \sum_{i=1}^n E_{z \sim Q_i} \left[ \log \frac{p_{\theta}(x^{(i)}, z)}{Q_i(z)} \right] \quad (\text{by Jensen's ineq.})$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{z=1}^k Q_i(z) \left[ \log \frac{p_{\theta}(x^{(i)}, z)}{Q_i(z)} \right] = F(\theta, Q)$$

Proposition:  $\forall \theta$ .  $L(\theta) \geq F(\theta, Q) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{z=1}^k Q_i(z) \left[ \log \frac{p_{\theta}(x^{(i)}, z)}{Q_i(z)} \right]$

Expectation-step:  $Q^{(t+1)} = \underset{Q}{\operatorname{argmax}} F(\theta^t, Q)$

Maximization Step:  $\theta^{(t+1)} = \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} F(\theta, Q^{(t+1)})$

Assumption: ~~Computing  $\theta$  that maximizes  $F(\theta, Q)$~~

For any  $Q$ , the problem of computing  $\theta$  that maximizes  $F(\theta, Q)$  is computationally tractable.

$$L(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log \sum_{z=1}^k p_{\theta}(x^{(i)}, z) \geq \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{z=1}^k Q_i(z) \log \frac{p_{\theta}(x^{(i)}, z)}{Q_i(z)} \quad (3)$$

$$= F(\theta, Q).$$

Take  $Q_i(z) = p(Z=z | x^{(i)}; \theta) = p_{\theta}(Z=z | x^{(i)})$

In this case,

$$F(\theta, Q) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{z=1}^k p_{\theta}(z | x^{(i)}) \log \frac{p_{\theta}(x^{(i)}, z)}{p_{\theta}(z | x^{(i)})}$$

$$\frac{p_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) \cdot p_{\theta}(z | x^{(i)})}{p_{\theta}(z | x^{(i)})} = p_{\theta}(x^{(i)})$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{z=1}^k p_{\theta}(z | x^{(i)}) \log p_{\theta}(x^{(i)})$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \log p_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) \left( \sum_{z=1}^k p_{\theta}(z | x^{(i)}) \right)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \log p_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) = L(\theta)$$

Proposition: For any  $\theta$ ,  $\operatorname{argmax}_Q F(\theta, Q)$  is the distribution

$$Q_i(z) = p_{\theta}(z | x^{(i)}) \quad \text{and}$$

$$\max_Q F(\theta, Q) = L(\theta).$$

E-M Algo Repeat.

E-step:  $Q^{(t+1)} = \operatorname{argmax}_Q F(Q, \theta^{(t)})$

M-step:  $\theta^{(t+1)} = \operatorname{argmax}_\theta F(Q^{(t+1)}, \theta)$

Until converge.

Proposition:  $L(\theta^{(t)}) \leq L(\theta^{(t+1)})$

$L(\theta^{(t)}) = F(Q^{(t+1)}, \theta^{(t)}) \leq F(Q^{(t+1)}, \theta^{(t+1)}) \leq F(Q^{(t+2)}, \theta^{(t+1)}) = L(\theta^{(t+1)})$   
 *$Q^{(t+1)}$  maximizes  $F$  at  $Q^{(t+1)}$ .*

