積分型の損失関数を用いたパラメータ推定

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Overview

(1) robust density-power divergence (arXiv:2307.05251):

$$-\frac{1}{\beta}\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}p_{\theta}(x_{i})^{\beta}+\underbrace{\frac{1}{1+\beta}\int p_{\theta}(x)^{1+\beta}\mathrm{d}x}_{\text{bias correction}},$$

(2) higher-order variation regularization (arXiv:2308.02293):

$$-\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\{y_{i}-f_{\theta}(x_{i})\}^{2}+\eta\underbrace{\int_{\Omega}\left|\frac{\partial^{k}}{\partial x^{k}}f_{\theta}(x)\right|^{q}\mathrm{d}x}_{\text{variation regularization}}.$$

Previous works consider (i) numerical integration, or (ii) restricted models.

▶ We simply apply Robbins and Monro (1951) to minimize the above loss functions.

Robust divergence minimization (arXiv:2307.05251, revised and under review)

Kullback-Leibler Minimization ⇔ Likelihood Maximization

• Observations: $x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n \sim Q$

• We estimate Q by a probabilistic model P_{θ} (whose p.d.f. is p_{θ}).

• $\widehat{Q}(x) := n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbb{1}(x_i \le x)$ denotes an empirical distribution.

Then, minimizer of the Kullback-Leibler (KL) cross-entropy

$$d(\widehat{Q}, P_{\theta}) = -\int \log p_{\theta}(x) \mathrm{d}\widehat{Q}(x) = -n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log p_{\theta}(x_i) =: -L(\theta)$$

is equivalent to the maximum likelihood estimator $(=\arg \max_{\theta} L(\theta))$.

MLE vs Outliers

For normal density,



Figure: Outliers adversely affects MLE.

Robust Density-Power Divergence (DPD)

DPD (Basu et al. 1998) $D_{\beta}(Q, P) = d_{\beta}(Q, P) - d_{\beta}(Q, Q)$ is defined with

$$\beta\text{-cross entropy:} \quad d_{\beta}(\widehat{Q}, P_{\theta}) = -\frac{1}{\beta}n^{-1}\sum_{i=1}^{n}p_{\theta}(x_{i})^{\beta} + \frac{1}{1+\beta}\int p_{\theta}(x)^{1+\beta}\mathrm{d}x.$$

- Typically, power-parameter $\beta = 0.5$ or $\beta = 1$ is employed.
- ▶ DPD reduces to KL: $D_{\beta} \rightarrow D$ if $\beta \searrow 0$.

•
$$\arg \min_P D_\beta(Q, P) = \arg \min_P d_\beta(Q, P) = Q.$$

$$\beta$$
-estimator: $\hat{\theta}_{\beta} := \underset{\theta \in \Theta}{\arg\min d_{\beta}(\widehat{Q}, P_{\theta})}$

is known to be robust against outliers ($\beta > 0$).

Why is DPD robust against outliers?

• x is an outlier
$$\Leftrightarrow p_{\theta_*}(x) \approx 0$$
.

Density power:
$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \underbrace{\{-\beta^{-1} p_{\theta}(x_{i})^{\beta}\}}_{\text{bounded } (\leq 0)} + \text{(bias correction term)}$$

Kullback Leibler:
$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \underbrace{\{-\log p_{\theta}(x_{i})\}}_{\text{unbounded } (\to \infty)}$$

▶ DPD is upper-bounded while KL is not.

β -estimator vs outliers



Computational Difficulty: How to Minimize Integral-Based Loss?

$$d_{\beta}(\hat{Q}, P_{\theta}) = -\frac{1}{\beta} n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{\theta}(x_i)^{\beta} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{1+\beta} \int p_{\theta}(x)^{1+\beta} \mathrm{d}x}_{=:r_{\theta}^{(\beta)}}.$$

• How to compute the integral term $r_{\theta}^{(\beta)}$?

- Many studies considers a normal distribution; the term can be calculated as $r_{\theta}^{(\beta)} = (2\pi\sigma^2)^{-\beta/2}(1+\beta)^{-3/2}$.
- Gradient descent / Newton Raphson, ... is applied.

卒論発表 (ちょうど10年前の今頃)



Figure: ロバスト情報量規準の提案. 誤差項には正規分布を仮定.

What about non-normal densities?

Exact:

- Exponential (Jones et al., 2001),
- Generalized-Pareto (Juárez and Schucany, 2004),
- ▶ Weibull (Basu et al., 2016),
- Generalized exponential (Hazra 2022),
- Log-normal (rumor...).

Approximation:

- ► Gaussian mixture (Fujisawa and Eguchi, 2006) through upper-bound minimization,
- Poisson (Kawashima and Fujisawa, 2019) through finite approximation,
- Skew-normal (Nandy et al. 2022) through finite approximation.

What can we do if x_i follows a remaining distribution... (?)

Contribution of this study

We propose an optimization approach to minimize the DPD for *general parametric density*.

Example: gompertz density
$$p_{\theta}(x) = \lambda \exp\left(\omega x + \frac{\lambda}{\omega} \{1 - \exp(\omega x)\}\right)$$
, $(x \ge 0)$.

$$r_{\theta}^{(\beta)} := \frac{1}{1+\beta} \int p_{\theta}(x)^{1+\beta} \mathrm{d}x = ??$$



Fullbatch vs stochastic gradient descent (Robbins and Monro, 1951)

To minimize a loss function $A(\theta)$,

- **• fullbatch** gradient descent: $\theta^{(t+1)} \leftarrow \theta^{(t)} \eta \nabla A(\theta^{(t)})$,
- **stochastic** gradient descent: $\theta^{(t+1)} \leftarrow \theta^{(t)} \eta_t g_t(\theta^{(t)})$,

where

$$\eta, \eta_t > 0, \eta_t \searrow 0$$
, and $\mathbb{E}(g_t(\theta^{(t)})) = \nabla A(\theta^{(t)}).$

Roughly speaking, we can prove under some assumptions that

$$A(\theta^{(t)}) \to^p \min_{\theta \in \Theta} A(\theta).$$

We do not need to calculate the exact integral.

Proposal: (unbiased) stochastic gradient for DPD With $y_1^{(t)}, y_2^{(t)}, \dots, y_m^{(t)} \sim \tilde{p}$, we define

$$g_{t}(\theta^{(t)}) = -n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{\theta^{(t)}}(x_{i})^{\beta} \nabla \log p_{\theta^{(t)}}(x_{i}) + \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^{m} \frac{p_{\theta^{(t)}}(y_{j}^{(t)})}{\tilde{p}(y_{j}^{(t)})} p_{\theta^{(t)}}(y_{j}^{(t)})^{\beta} \nabla \log p_{\theta^{(t)}}(y_{j}^{(t)}).$$
(1)

Then, the stochastic gradient is unbiased:

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}_{Y}(g_{t}(\theta^{(t)})) &= -n^{-1}\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{\theta^{(t)}}(x_{i})^{\beta} \nabla \log p_{\theta^{(t)}}(x_{i}) + \int p_{\theta^{(t)}}(x)^{1+\beta} \nabla \log p_{\theta^{(t)}}(x) \mathrm{d}x \\ &= \nabla d_{\beta}(\widehat{Q}, P_{\theta^{(t)}}), \quad \text{(for arbitrary } m \in \mathbb{N}). \end{split}$$

Similar approach can be found in contrastive divergence (Hinton et al. 2002).

Illustration

We can monitor the explicit DPD for normal distribution: $(n = 1000, \xi = 0.1)$



Normal density, $\xi = 0.1$.



Inverse Gaussian density, $\xi = 0.1$.



(*Explicit for of $r_{\theta}^{(\beta)}$ cannot be obtained for Inverse Gaussian.)



Multivariate normal mean estimation (d = 3).

- SGD complexity: t(n+m),
- ► GD+numer. int.: t(n + M).





sgdpd(f=f, Z=Z, Ir = 0.1, theta0 = c(0,2), exponent = 0.2)

https://github.com/oknakfm/sgdpd

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# model specification (skew normal mixture density)
f snm <- function(z, theta){</pre>
    alpha = sigmoid(theta[7])
    p1 = dsnorm(x=z, mean=theta[1], sd=theta[2], xi=theta[3])
    p_2 = dsnorm(x=z, mean=theta[4], sd=theta[5], xi=theta[6])
    alpha * p1 + (1-alpha) * p2
# parameter estimation
par snm = sqdpd(f=f snm, Z=Z, Ir=0.1,
    theta0=c(-1,1,1,1,1,1,0),
    positives = c(2,3,5,6), exponent = 0.2)
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▶ Density estimation / regression / classification with i.i.d. assumption.

Summary so far

https://arxiv.org/abs/2307.05251

- Historically, normal density $(+\alpha)$ has been employed for robust-divergence.
- This study applies stochastic optimization to DPD for general models.
- SGD has been studied for more than 70 years (see, e.g., Robbins and Monro, 1951).
- SGD vs GD + numerical integration: see, e.g., Nemirovski et al. (2009).
- Stochastic approach is compatible with robust estimation (non-convex optimization).
- ► A Similar approach can be found in contrastive divergence (Hinton et al. 2002).
- > γ -divergence (Fujisawa and Eguchi, 2008) can be minimized in the similar way.
- https://github.com/oknakfm/sgdpd

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Higher-order variation regularization (arXiv:2308.02293, in preparation for resubmission)

Motivation

- Nowadays, people use many non-linear models (neural networks, generalized additive models, ...)
- Highly-expressive non-linear models may
 - (1) overfit to the dataset,
 - (2) fall into a local minima, ...



▶ We want to obtain a "simpler" curve.

Higher-order variation regularization (HOVR)

Assume the smoothness on $f : \Omega \to \mathbb{R}$, and define (k, q)-th variation regularization:

$$C_{k,q}(f) := \int_{\Omega} |f^{[k]}(x)|^q \mathrm{d}x, \quad f^{[k]}(x) = \frac{\partial^k f(x)}{\partial x^k}.$$

Small (k, q)-VR directly yields simpler f.



Figure: $f^{[2]}$ is large: $C_{2,2}(f) \approx 197$.



Figure: $f^{[2]}$ is small: $C_{2,2}(f) \approx 0.64$

► (1,1)-VR is known as a *total variation* regularization.

We consider a loss function using (k, q)-VR:

$$L_{\eta}(\theta) := n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \{y_i - f_{\theta}(x_i)\}^2 + \eta \underbrace{\int_{\Omega} \left| \frac{\partial^k f_{\theta}(x)}{\partial x^k} \right|^q \mathrm{d}x}_{\text{HOVR}}.$$

▶ We may compute SGD with the (unbiased) stochastic gradient:

$$g_t(heta) = -rac{1}{N}\sum_{i=1}^N
abla\{ ilde{y}_i - f_ heta(ilde{x}_i)\}^2 + \eta rac{1}{M}\sum_{j=1}^M
abla|f_ heta^{[k]}(z_j)|^q \quad z_j \sim U(\Omega).$$

Then, under some assumptions, we have

$$L_{\eta}(\theta^{(t)})
ightarrow \min_{\theta \in \Theta} L_{\eta}(\theta).$$

Demonstration

- ▶ 1-hidden-layer perceptron with L = 50 hidden units and tanh activation.
- Same optimizer, same setting, except for the regularization.



Experiments: linear



Experiments: quadratic



Experiments: cubic



Which variation order should be regularized?



(a) k = 1-variation req. (b) k = 2-variation req. (c) k = 3-variation req.

- \blacktriangleright k = 1: piece-wise constant
- \blacktriangleright k = 2: piece-wise linear
- \blacktriangleright k = 3: ??? (seems the best for me, in terms of the "simplicity")

Small k-th variation \Rightarrow small k'-th variation (k' \leq k, Sobolev's inequality.)

Summary so far

https://arxiv.org/abs/2308.02293

- We applied SGD to minimize the regression loss function equipped with the higher-order variation regularization (HOVR).
- Compared to the spline regression, we can easily implement the stochastic optimization.
- Stochastic algorithm can be simply generalized to different problems (i.e., classification).
- Also we can simply generalize this approach to multivariate case.
- While previous studies consider penalizing lower-order derivative (mainly, k = 1), penalizing higher-order derivatives seems better.
- https://github.com/oknakfm/HOVR