Deep learning

Sum Product Networks

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Introduction



- 1. We assume x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_m are IID random variables are sampled from an unknown distribution \mathcal{D} , where each x_i is k-dimensional vector.
- 2. We require to specify a high-dimensional distribution $p(x_1, \ldots, x_k)$ on the data and possibly some latent variables.
- 3. The specific form of p will depend on some parameters w.
- 4. The basic operations will be to
 - **Structure learning:** Specifying the parametric/non-parametric form of $p(x_1, \ldots, x_k)$.
 - **Parameter learning:** Adjusting $p(x_1, \ldots, x_k)$ to the data.
 - Inference: Computing marginals and modes of $p(x_1, \ldots, x_k)$.
- 5. Working with fully flexible joint distributions is intractable!



- $1. \ \mbox{How the form of density function is specified?}$
- 2. We specify the form of density function in such a way that parameter learning and inference become easier.
- 3. For example, we can consider the following conditional form.

$$p(x_1,\ldots,x_k)=p(x_1|x_2)p(x_1|x_3)\ldots p(x_1|x_k)$$

4. Consider the Naive Bayes classifier. We have $p(class, x) = p(class) \prod_{j=1}^{n} p(x_j \mid class)$





1. Or consider the following forms

$$p(x_1,...,x_k) = p(x_k|x_{k-1})p(x_{k-1}|x_{k-2})...p(x_2|x_1)$$
$$p(x_1,...,x_k) = \prod_{i=1}^k p(x_i|x_1,x_2,...,x_{i-1})$$



- 2. We must work with structured or compact distributions.
- 3. For example, distributions in which the random variables interact directly with only very few others in simple ways (why?).
- 4. One solution is to use probabilistic graphical models.



- 1. Simple queries: computing posterior marginal $p(x_1|E = e)$
- 2. **Conjunctive queries:** Computing $p(x_1, x_2 | E = e)$
- 3. How do you answer the following query? $p(x_1) = \sum_{x_2} \sum_{x_3} p(x_1, x_2, x_3)$
- 4. How do you answer the query $p(x_1)$ when density function has the following form?

$$p(x_1,...,x_k) = p(x_1|x_2)p(x_1|x_3)...p(x_1|x_k)$$





1. A simple Bayesian network



p(G,S,R) = p(G|S,R)p(S|R)p(R)



- 1. How calculate $p(x_1, \ldots, x_k)$ using Bayesian networks?
- 2. If a Bayesian network can be factorized, then we can write

$$p(x_1,\ldots,x_k) = \prod_{v \in V} p(x_v | pa(v))$$

where pa(v) is the set of parents of v.

3. Cooper proved that exact inference in Bayesian networks is NP-hard.



1. A Markov network is a set of random variables having a Markov property described by an undirected graph.



- 2. Each edge represents dependency.
 - A depends on B and D.
 - B depends on A and D.
 - D depends on A, B, and E.
 - E depends on D and C.
 - C depends on E.



1. Consider the following network.



2. We'll assume p is a general undirected model of the following form

$$p(x_1,...,x_n;w) = \frac{\bar{p}(x_1,...,x_n;w)}{Z(w)} = \frac{1}{Z(w)} \prod_k \phi_k(x\{k\};w),$$

where the ϕ_k are the factors and Z(w) is the normalization constant and $x\{k\}$ is a subset of variables .

3. How do yo compute Z(w)?



- 1. Graphical models are limited in some aspects
 - Many compact distributions cannot be represented as a GM.
 - The cost of exact inference in GM is exponential in the worst case (using approximate techniques).
 - ▶ Because learning requires inference, learning GM will be difficult .
 - Some distributions require GM with many layers of hidden variables to be compactly encoded.
- 2. An alternative are sum product networks (Poon and Domingos 2011).
 - New deep model with many layers of hidden variables.
 - Exact inference is tractable (linear in the size of the model).

Sum Product Networks



- 1. A SPN is rooted DAG whose leaves are x_1, \ldots, x_n and $\bar{x}_1, \ldots, \bar{x}_n$ with internal sum and product nodes, where each edge (i, j) emanating from sum node *i* has a weight $w_{ij} \ge 0$.
- 2. The value of a product node is the product of the value of its children.
- 3. The value of a sum node *i* is $\sum_{j \in Ch(i)} w_{ij}v_j$, where Ch(j) are the children of node *i* and v_j is the value of node *j*
- 4. The value of a SPN is the value of the root after a bottom up evaluation.
- 5. Layers of sum and product nodes usually alternate.



1. An example of SPN



2. What is the output of the above network?



SPN represents a joint distribution over a set of random variables. What is value of $p(x_1 = 1, x_2 = 0)$?



SPN represents a joint distribution over a set of random variables. What is value of $p(x_1 = 1)$?





A valid SPN encodes a hierarchical mixture distribution.

- Sum nodes: hidden variables (mixture)
- Product nodes: factorization (independence)





- The scope of a node is the set of variables that appear in the sub-SPN rooted at the node
- An SPN is decomposable iff no variable appears in more than one child of a product node.
- An SPN is complete when each sum node has children with identical scopes.
- An SPN is consistent iff no variable appears negated in one child of a product node and non-negated in another.
- A consistent and complete SPN is a valid SPN. An SPN is valid if it always correctly computes the probability of evidence.





- 1. We must specify the structure of SPN (structure Estimation or structure learning).
- 2. We must find the parameters of SPN (parameter learning).
- 3. We must answer queries (inference).

Structure learning



- 1. What is SPN for univariate distribution?
- 2. \rightarrow A univariate distribution is an SPN
- 3. What is SPN for product of disjoint random variables?
- 4. \rightarrow A product of SPNs over disjoint variables is an SPN.
- 5. What is SPN for a mixture model?
- 6. \rightarrow A weighted sum of SPNs over the same variables is an SPN.





- 1. In a structure learning, one alternates between
 - Data Clustering: sum nodes
 - Variable partitioning: product nodes



2. Some others use SVD decomposition (Adel, Balduzzi, and Ghodsi 2015).



- 1. Initialize the SPN using a dense valid SPN.
- 2. Learn the SPN weights using gradient descent or EM.
- 3. Add some penalty to the weights so that they tend to be zero.
- 4. Prune edges with zero weights at convergence.

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Algorithm 1 LearnSPNInput: Set D of instances over variables X.Output: An SPN with learned structure and parameters.S \leftarrow GenerateDenseSPN(X)InitializeWeights(S)repeatfor all d \in D doUpdateWeights(S, Inference(S, d))end foruntil convergenceS \leftarrow PruneZeroWeights(S)return S
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Applications



- 1. Main evaluation: Caltech-101
 - ▶ 101 categories, e.g., faces, cars, elephants
 - Each category: 30 800 images
- 2. Each category: Last third for test
- 3. Test images: Unseen objects







1. Fixed structure SPN encoding the conditional probability $p(w_i|w_{i-1}...,w_{i-N})$ as an *N*th order language model (Cheng et al. 2014).





1. Perplexity scores (PPL) of different language models

Model	Individual PPL	+KN5
TrainingSetFrequency	528.4	
KN5 [3]	141.2	
Log-bilinear model [4]	144.5	115.2
Feedforward neural network [5]	140.2	116.7
Syntactical neural network [8]	131.3	110.0
RNN [6]	124.7	105.7
LDA-augmented RNN [9]	113.7	98.3
SPN-3	104.2	82.0
SPN-4	107.6	82.4
SPN-4'	100.0	80.6



- 1. Image completion
- 2. Image classification
- 3. Activity recognition
- 4. Click-through logs
- 5. Nucleic acid sequences
- 6. Collaborative filtering



- 1. Unlike graphical models, SPNs are tractable over high treewidth models.
- 2. SPNs are deep architectures with full probabilistic semantics
- 3. SPNs can incorporate features into an expressive model without requiring approximate inference.

Reading



1. Read the survey paper (Paris, Sanchez-Cauce, and Diez 2020).



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Questions?