

CS460/626 : Natural Language Processing/Speech, NLP and the Web

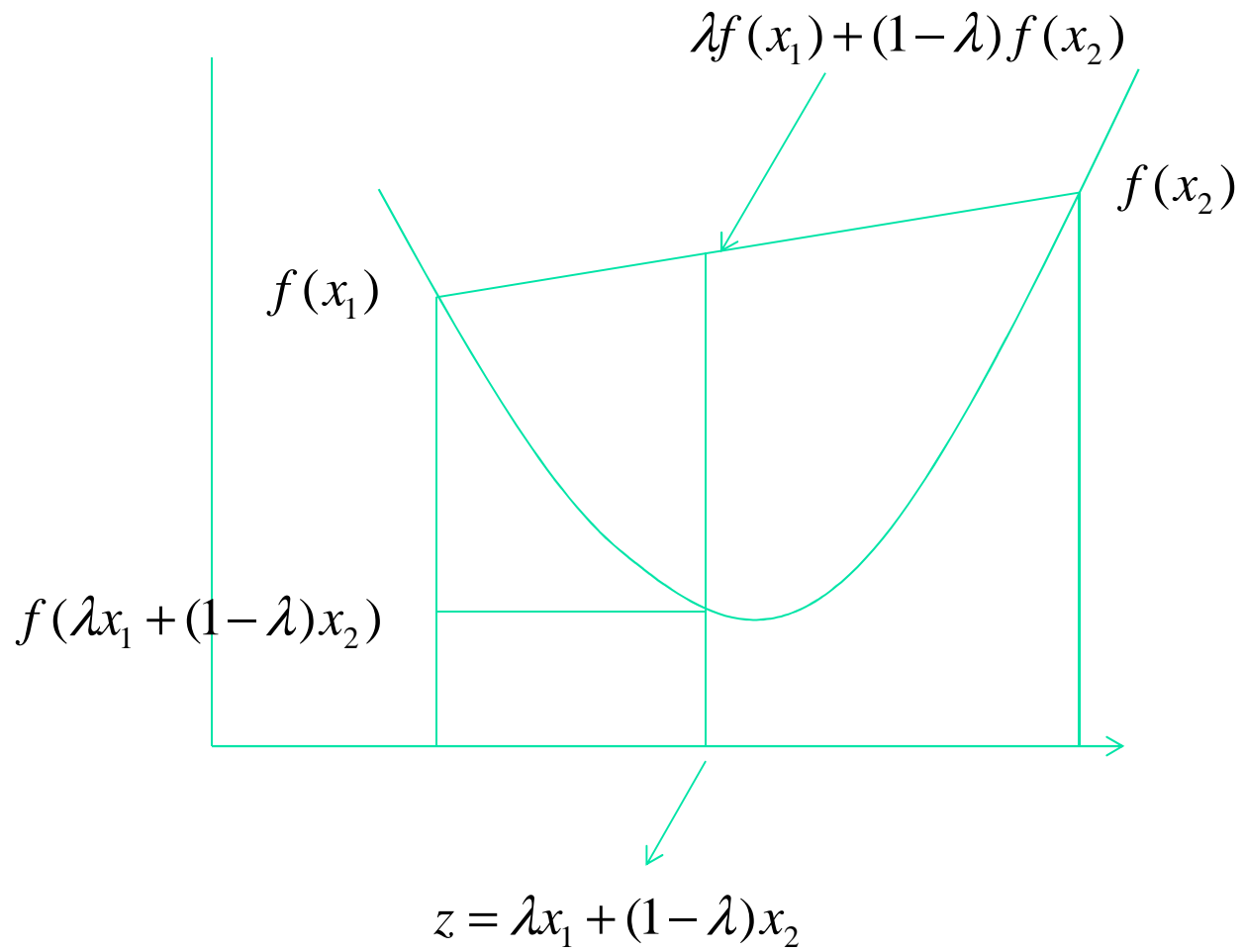
Lecture 31-32:
Expectation Maximisation

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Some Useful mathematical concepts

- Convex/ concave functions
- Jensen's inequality
- Kullback–Leibler distance/divergence



Criteria for convexity

- A function $f(x)$ is said to be convex in the interval $[a,b]$ iff

$$f(\lambda x_1 + (1-\lambda)x_2) \leq \lambda f(x_1) + (1-\lambda)f(x_2)$$

$$x_1 < x_2$$

$$\forall x_1, x_2 \in [a, b]$$

Jensen's inequality

- For any convex function $f(x)$

$$f\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i x_i\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i f(x_i)$$

Where $\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i = 1$ and $\forall i, 0 \leq \lambda_i \leq 1$

Proof of Jensen 's inequality

- Method:- By induction on N
- Base case:-

$$N = 1$$

$$f(\lambda x) \leq \lambda f(x)$$

$$\sum \lambda_i = 1 \Rightarrow \lambda = 1$$

$$\therefore f(x) \leq f(x), \text{ trivially true}$$

Another base case

- N = 2

$$f(\lambda_1 x_1 + \lambda_2 x_2)$$

$$= f(\lambda_1 x_1 + (1 - \lambda_1) x_2)$$

$$\leq \lambda_1 f(x_1) + (1 - \lambda_1) f(x_2)$$

since $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 1$

since $f(x)$ is convex

Hypothesis

Suppose true for $N = k$

$$\text{i.e. } f\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i x_i\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i f(x_i)$$

Induction Step

Show that

$$f\left(\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} \lambda_i x_i\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} \lambda_i f(x_i)$$

given

$$f\left(\sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i x_i\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i f(x_i)$$

$$\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 + \dots \dots + \lambda_k + \lambda_{k+1} = 1$$

Proof

$$f(\lambda_1 x_1 + \lambda_2 x_2 + \lambda_3 x_3 + \dots + \lambda_{k+1} x_{k+1})$$

$$= f\left((1 - \lambda_{k+1}) \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{\lambda_i x_i}{(1 - \lambda_{k+1})} + \lambda_{k+1} x_{k+1}\right)$$

$$\leq (1 - \lambda_{k+1}) f\left(\sum_{i=1}^k \frac{\lambda_i x_i}{(1 - \lambda_{k+1})}\right) + \lambda_{k+1} f(x_{k+1}) \quad \text{By convexity}$$

$$= (1 - \lambda_{k+1}) f\left(\sum_{i=1}^k \mu_i x_i\right) + \lambda_{k+1} f(x_{k+1}) \quad \text{where } \mu_i = \frac{\lambda_i}{(1 - \lambda_{k+1})}$$

Continued...

- Examine each μ_i

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{i=1}^k \mu_i &= \mu_1 + \mu_2 + \mu_3 \dots\dots\dots + \mu_k \\ &= \frac{\lambda_1}{(1-\lambda_{k+1})} + \frac{\lambda_2}{(1-\lambda_{k+1})} + \frac{\lambda_3}{(1-\lambda_{k+1})} + \dots\dots\dots + \frac{\lambda_k}{(1-\lambda_{k+1})} \\ &= \frac{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 + \dots\dots\dots + \lambda_k}{(1-\lambda_{k+1})} = \frac{(1-\lambda_{k+1})}{(1-\lambda_{k+1})}\end{aligned}$$

Continued...

■ Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & (1 - \lambda_{k+1}) f\left(\sum_{i=1}^k \mu_i x_i\right) + \lambda_{k+1} f(x_{k+1}) \\ & \leq (1 - \lambda_{k+1}) \sum_{i=1}^k \mu_i f(x_i) + \lambda_{k+1} f(x_{k+1}) \\ & = \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i f(x_i) + \lambda_{k+1} f(x_{k+1}) \end{aligned}$$

Finally at the induction step

$$f\left(\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} \lambda_i x_i\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} \lambda_i f(x_i)$$

Thus Jensen's inequality is proved

KL -divergence

- We will do the discrete form of probability distribution.
- Given two probability distribution P, Q on the random variable
 - $X : x_1, x_2, x_3 \dots x_N$
 - $P: p_1 = p(x_1), p_2 = p(x_2), \dots p_n = p(x_n)$
 - $Q: q_1 = q(x_1), q_2 = q(x_2), \dots q_n = q(x_n)$

KLD definition

$$\text{KL}(P, Q) = D = \sum_{i=1}^N p_i \log \frac{p_i}{q_i}$$

$$\sum p_i = 1, \sum q_i = 1$$

D is asymmetric and $D \geq 0$

also written as

$$\begin{aligned} \text{KL}(P, Q) &= D \\ &= E_p(\log P) - E_p(\log Q) \end{aligned}$$

Proof: $KLD \geq 0$

$$KL(P, Q) = \sum_{i=1}^N p_i \log \frac{p_i}{q_i} \geq 0$$

Proof :-

$$\sum_{i=1}^N p_i \log \frac{p_i}{q_i} = \sum_{i=1}^N p_i \left(-\log \frac{q_i}{p_i} \right)$$

$-\log x$ is convex in $[0, \infty]$

$$\text{So } -\log \left(\sum_{i=1}^N p_i x_i \right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^N p_i (-\log x_i)$$

Proof cntd.

- Apply Jensen's inequality

$$\text{So } -\log\left(\sum_{i=1}^N p_i \frac{q_i}{p_i}\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^N p_i \left(-\log \frac{q_i}{p_i}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow -\log\left(\sum_{i=1}^N q_i\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^N p_i \log \frac{p_i}{q_i}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^N p_i \log \frac{p_i}{q_i} \geq 0 \qquad \sum_{i=1}^N q_i = 1$$

Convexity of $-\log x$

$$-\log(\lambda x_1 + (1-\lambda)x_2) \leq \lambda(-\log x_1) + (1-\lambda)(-\log x_2)$$

i.e.

$$\log(\lambda x_1 + (1-\lambda)x_2) \geq \lambda \log x_1 + (1-\lambda) \log x_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda x_1 + (1-\lambda)x_2 \geq x_1^\lambda x_2^{1-\lambda}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda \left(\frac{x_1}{x_2} \right)^{1-\lambda} + (1-\lambda) \frac{x_2^{1-\lambda}}{x_1^\lambda} \geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda \left(\frac{x_1}{x_2} \right)^{1-\lambda} + (1-\lambda) \left(\frac{x_2}{x_1} \right)^\lambda \geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda y^{1-\lambda} + \frac{(1-\lambda)}{y^\lambda} \geq 1$$

$$y = \frac{x_1}{x_2} \leq 1$$

Interesting problem

- Try to prove:-

$$\frac{w_1 x_1 + w_2 x_2}{w_1 + w_2} \geq \sqrt[w_1 + w_2]{x_1^{w_1} x_2^{w_2}}$$

2nd definition of convexity

- Theorem:

If $f(x)$ is twice differentiable in $[a, b]$ and

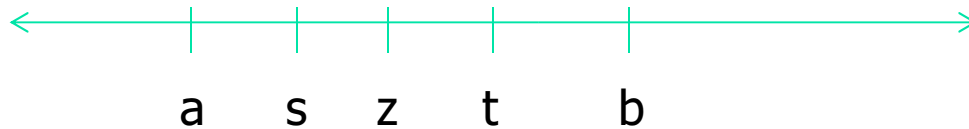
$f''(x) \geq 0 \forall x \in [a, b]$, then $f(x)$ is convex in $[a, b]$.

So $-\log x$ is convex.

Lemma 1

If $f''(x) \geq 0$ in $[a, b]$

then $f'(t) > f'(s)$, $\forall s, t$ $t > s$ and $t, s \in [a, b]$



Mean Value Theorem

$$f(z) - f(a) = (z - a) f'(s) \quad \exists s \in (z, a)$$

For any function $f(x)$

$$f(n) - f(m) = (n - m) f'(p) \quad \text{where } m \leq p \leq n$$

Alternative form of z

$$z = \lambda x_1 + (1 - \lambda)x_2$$

Add $-\lambda z$ to both sides

$$(1 - \lambda)z = \lambda(x_1 - z) + (1 - \lambda)x_2$$

$$(1 - \lambda)(x_2 - z) = \lambda(z - x_1)$$

Alternative form of convexity

$$f(\lambda x_1 + (1 - \lambda)x_2) \leq \lambda f(x_1) + (1 - \lambda)f(x_2)$$

Add $-\lambda f(z)$ to both sides

$$\Rightarrow f(z) - \lambda f(z) \leq \lambda f(x_1) + (1 - \lambda)f(x_2) - \lambda f(z)$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 - \lambda)f(z) \leq \lambda(f(x_1) - f(z)) + (1 - \lambda)f(x_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 - \lambda)f(z) \leq \lambda(f(x_1) - f(z)) + (1 - \lambda)f(x_2)$$

Proof: second derivative ≥ 0 implies convexity (1/2)

We have that

$$z \triangleq \lambda x_1 + (1 - \lambda)x_2$$

$$f(z) \triangleq \lambda f(x_1) + (1 - \lambda)f(x_2)$$

$$(1 - \lambda)[f(x_2) - f(z)] \geq \lambda[f(z) - f(x_1)] \quad (1)$$

$$(1 - \lambda)[x_2 - z] = \lambda(z - x_1) \quad (2)$$

Second derivative ≥ 0 implies convexity (2/2)

(2) Is equivalent to

$$(1 - \lambda)f'(t) \cdot (x_2 - \lambda) \geq \lambda f'(s)(z - x_1)$$

For some s and t , where

$$x_1 < s < z < t < x_2$$

Now since $f''(x) \geq 0$

$$f'(t) > f'(s)$$

Combining this with (1), the result is proved

Why all this

- In EM, we maximize the *expectation* of log likelihood of the data
- Log is a concave function
- We have to take iterative steps to get to the maximum
- There are two unknown values: Z (unobserved data) and θ (parameters)
- From θ , get new value of Z (E-step)
- From Z , get new value of θ (M-step)

How to change θ

- How to choose the next θ ?
- Take

$$\operatorname{argmax}_{\theta}(LL(X,Z:\theta) - LL(X,Z:\theta_n))$$

Where,

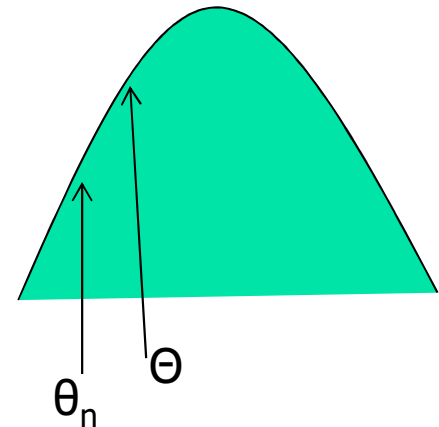
X : observed data

Z : unobserved data

Θ : parameter

$LL(X,Z:\theta_n)$: log likelihood of complete data with parameter value at θ_n

This is in lieu of, for example, gradient ascent



At every step $LL(\cdot)$ will **Increase**, ultimately reaching local/global maximum

Why expectation of log likelihood? (1/2)

- $P(X:\theta)$ may not be a convenient mathematical expression
- Deal with $P(X,Z:\theta)$, marginalized over Z
- $\text{Log}(\sum_Z P(X,Z:\theta))$ is mathematically processed with multiplying by $P(Z/X: \theta_n)$ which for each Z is between 0 and 1 and sums to 1
- Then Jensen inequality will give

$$\text{Log}(\sum_Z P(X,Z:\theta))$$

$$\geq \text{Log}(\sum_Z P(Z/X: \theta_n) P(X,Z:\theta) / P(Z/X: \theta_n))$$

$$= \sum_Z P(Z/X: \theta_n) \text{Log}(P(X,Z:\theta) / P(Z/X: \theta_n))$$

Why expectation of log likelihood? (2/2)

$$\begin{aligned} & LL(X:\theta) - LL(X:\theta_n) \\ &= \text{Log}(\sum_Z P(X,Z:\theta)) - \text{Log}(P(X:\theta_n)) \\ &>= \text{Log}(\sum_Z P(Z|X:\theta_n) P(X,Z:\theta) / P(Z|X:\theta_n)) - \text{Log}(P(X:\theta_n)) \\ &= \sum_Z P(Z|X:\theta_n) \text{Log}(P(X,Z:\theta) / (P(Z|X:\theta_n) \cdot P(X:\theta_n))) \\ &\qquad\qquad\qquad \text{since } \sum_Z P(Z|X:\theta_n) = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \sum_Z P(Z|X:\theta_n) \text{Log}((P(X,Z:\theta) / (P(X,Z:\theta_n)))$$

So, $\text{argmax}_\theta (LL(X:\theta) - LL(X:\theta_n))$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_Z P(Z|X:\theta_n) \text{Log}(P(X,Z:\theta)) \\ &= E_Z(\text{Log}(P(X,Z:\theta))), \text{ where } E_Z(.) \text{ is the expectation} \\ &\text{of log likelihood of complete data wrt } Z \end{aligned}$$

Why expectation of Z ?

- If the log likelihood is a linear function of Z , then the expectation can be carried inside of the log likelihood and $E(Z)$ is computed
- The above is true when the hidden variables form a mixture of distributions (e.g., in tosses of two coins), and
- Each distribution is an exponential distribution like multinomial/normal/poisson