

Asymptotic properties of Bayesian nonparametrics and semiparametrics

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► Sampling model and prior models

- $X^n|\theta \sim P_\theta$ on \mathcal{X}_n with $\theta \in \Theta$
- θ : unknown \rightarrow random variable . Π = prior proba on (Θ, \mathcal{A})

► joint, marginal and posterior distributions

- Joint $(X^n, \theta) \sim P_\theta \times \Pi$
- **Posterior** : $\Pi(d\theta|X^n)$ If dominated model $f_\theta = dP_\theta/d\mu$

$$\Pi(d\theta|X^n) = \frac{f_\theta(X^n)\Pi(d\theta)}{m(X^n)}, \quad m(X^n) = \int_{\Theta} f_\theta(X^n)\Pi(d\theta)$$

- **Marginal** of X^n : $m(X^n)$

Examples

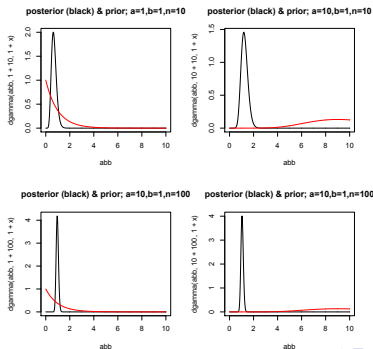
► Parametric

Poisson model : $X^n = (X_1, \dots, X_n), X_i \sim \mathcal{P}(\theta)$

Prior on $\theta > 0 \Gamma(a, b)$

- Posterior

$$\Pi(\theta|X^n) \equiv \Gamma(a + n, b + n\bar{X}_n), \quad \bar{X}_n = \sum_i X_i/n$$



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- How can we extend these results in large dimensional models ?

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- ▶ **General notions on Bayesian nonparametrics**

 - Some typical prior models

 - output of posteriors

- ▶ **Posterior concentrations and consistency**

 - Regular priors

 - empirical Bayes

- ▶ **Semi-parametric inference : BvM**

 - Some positive results

 - Some negative results

 - Understanding credible regions

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- testing : e.g.

$$\Pi(\Theta_0 | X^n) > \Pi(\Theta_1 | X^n) \Leftrightarrow \text{accept } \Theta_0$$

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Some partial results

Bayesian nonparametrics

▶ **Setup** Θ is infinite dimensional.

▶ **Examples**

• Regression function : $Y_i = f(X_i) + \epsilon_i, f : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$\Theta = L_2$$

• Density estimator $Y_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} f$

$$\Theta = \mathcal{F} = \{f : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+, \int f = 1\}$$

• classification , spectral density , intensity , conditional density,
etc . . .

Examples of priors : Gaussian process priors

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 $\theta = f$

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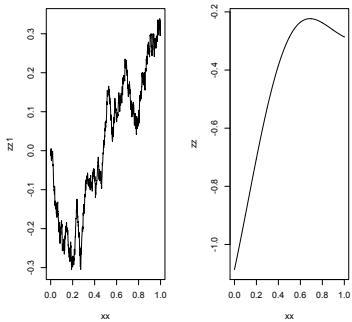


FIG.: Gaussian processes : left : Brownian motion, right : exponential

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 - $\tau_i = \tau(1+i)^{-\alpha-1/2}$, $K = +\infty$, $g = \mathcal{N}$
either $\tau \sim \pi_\tau$ or $\alpha \sim \pi_\alpha$ or EB
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Nonparametric mixture models

► Density modelling

$$f_{P,\sigma}(x) = \int_{\Theta} g_{\theta,\sigma}(x) dP(\theta), \quad P = \text{proba}$$

e.g.

$$g_{\theta,\sigma} = \mathcal{N}(\cdot|\theta, \sigma), \quad \text{or } \mathcal{N}(\cdot|\mu, \tau^2), \quad \theta = (\mu, \tau^2)$$

► **Prior** $P \sim \Pi_P$ and $\sigma \sim \pi_\sigma$

► **Examples of Π_P**

• finite mixtures :

$$P = \sum_{j=1}^K p_j \delta(\theta_j), \quad K \sim \Pi_K, \quad (p_1, \dots, p_k) | K = k \sim \pi_{p|k}, \quad \theta_j \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \pi_\theta$$

• Dirichlet Process and co.

Dirichlet Process : $P \sim DP(M, G)$

▶ Sethuraman representation

$$P = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_j \delta_{(\theta_j)}, \quad \theta_j \stackrel{iid}{\sim} G,$$

$$p_j = V_j \prod_{i < j} (1 - V_i), \quad V_j \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Beta}(1, M) : \text{stick breaking}$$

▶ Partition property $\forall (B_1, \dots, B_k)$ partition

$$(P(B_1), \dots, P(B_k)) \sim \mathcal{D}(MG(B_1), \dots, MG(B_k))$$

▶ Nice clustering properties Chinese restaurant process.

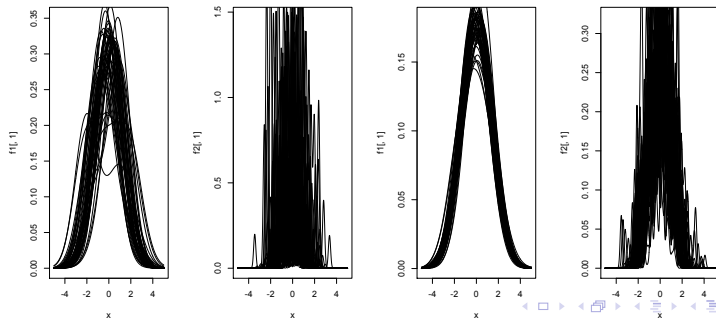
Why mixtures ?

► Mixtures of Gaussians

$$f_{P,\sigma}(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \phi_{\sigma}(x - \mu) dP(\mu), \quad P = \text{proba}$$

- Analytic
- If f_0 ordinary smooth

$$\exists P_{\sigma}, \text{ s.t. } f_{P_{\sigma},\sigma} \rightarrow f_0, \quad \sigma \rightarrow 0$$



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- Understand how the prior model acts as an approximation tool for the curve of interest ?

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Posterior consistency and concentration rates

$$X^n = (X_1, \dots, X_n) \sim P_\theta, \theta \in \Theta, \quad \theta \sim \Pi$$

- **Consistency** $d(\theta_1, \theta_2)$ = distance (or loss), $\theta_0 \in \Theta$
the posterior is consistent at θ_0 iff $\forall \epsilon > 0 P_{\theta_0}$ a.s. or in proba.

$$\Pi[A_\epsilon | X^n] = 1 + o(1), \quad A_\epsilon = \{\theta \in \Theta; d(\theta_0, \theta) < \epsilon\}$$

- **Concentration rates** *the posterior concentrates* at the rate at least ϵ_n at θ_0 iff

$$E_{\theta_0}^n [\Pi[A_{\epsilon_n} | X^n]] = 1 + o(1), \quad \epsilon_n \downarrow 0$$

- It depends on $d(., .)$ and on Π and θ_0

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If Θ and \mathcal{X} are separable, $X^n = (X_1, \dots, X_n) \stackrel{iid}{\sim} P_\theta$ the posterior is consistent (a.s.) on a set of **probability 1 wrt Π** : i.e.

$\exists \Theta_0 \subset \Theta$, s.t. $\Pi(\Theta_0) = 1$ and $\forall \theta_0 \in \Theta_0$, the posterior is consistent at θ_0 , $P_{\theta_0}^\infty$ a.s.

► **Not enough** What is Θ_0 ?

Schwartz and Barron

Under the two types of conditions :

- **Kullback-Leibler support** : $\forall \epsilon > 0$

$$\mathbb{P} [K_\infty(\theta_0, \theta) < \epsilon] > 0, \quad K_\infty(\theta_0, \theta) = \limsup_n n^{-1} (\ell_n(\theta_0) - \ell_n(\theta))$$

e.g. iid data

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- **Existence of tests**

$$\exists \phi_n \in [0, 1]; \quad E_{\theta_0}^n[\phi_n] = o(1), \quad \sup_{\theta: d(\theta_0, \theta) > \epsilon} E_\theta^n[1 - \phi_n] = o(1)$$

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Concentration rates : Ghosal, Van der Vaart, Walker and co

$$\mathbb{P} [d(f_0, f) \leq \epsilon_n | X^n] = 1 + o_p(1), \quad \epsilon_n \downarrow 0$$

► **Kullback-Leibler condition** : $\exists c > 0$

$$\mathbb{P} \left[\{K_n(\theta_0, \theta) \leq n\epsilon_n^2; V(\theta_0, \theta) \leq n\epsilon_n^2\} \right] \geq e^{-cn\epsilon_n^2}$$

$$K_n(\theta_0, \theta) = E_{\theta_0} (\ell_n(\theta_0) - \ell_n(\theta)) \quad V(\theta_0, \theta) = E_{\theta_0}^n ((\ell_n(\theta_0) - \ell_n(\theta))^2)$$

► **sieve** $\exists \Theta_n \subset \Theta$, s.t. $\mathbb{P}(\Theta_n^c) \leq e^{-(c+2)n\epsilon_n^2}$.

► **Tests** $\exists \phi_n$ s.t. if $A_{M\epsilon_n} = \{\theta; d(\theta_0, \theta) \leq M\epsilon_n\}$

$$E_{\theta_0}^n [\phi_n] = o(1), \quad \sup_{\theta \in A_{M\epsilon_n}^c \cap \Theta_n} E_f^n (1 - \phi_n) \leq e^{-(c+2)n\epsilon_n^2}$$

Proof of Ghosal & VdV.

$$U_n^c = \{d(\theta, \theta_0) > M\epsilon_n\}, S_n = \{K_n(\theta_0, \theta) \leq n\epsilon_n^2; V(\theta_0, \theta) \leq n\epsilon_n^2\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\theta_0} [\Pi(U_n^c | X^n)] &= E_{\theta_0} \left[\frac{\int_{U_n^c} e^{\ell_n(\theta) - \ell_n(\theta_0)} d\pi(\theta)}{\int_{\Theta} e^{\ell_n(\theta) - \ell_n(\theta_0)} d\pi(\theta)} \right] := E_{\theta_0} \left[\frac{N_n}{D_n} \right] \\ &\leq E_{\theta_0}[\phi_n] + P_{\theta_0}^n \left[D_n < e^{-2n\epsilon_n^2} \pi(S_n) \right] \\ &\quad + \frac{e^{2n\epsilon_n^2}}{\pi(S_n)} E_{\theta_0}^n [N_n(1 - \phi_n)] \\ &\leq E_{\theta_0}[\phi_n] + \frac{\int_{S_n} P_{\theta_0} \left[\ell_n(\theta) - \ell_n(\theta_0) < -2n\epsilon_n^2 \right] d\pi(\theta)}{\pi(S_n)} \\ &\quad + \frac{e^{2n\epsilon_n^2}}{\pi(S_n)} \int_{U_n^c \cap \Theta_n} E_{\theta} [1 - \phi_n] d\pi(\theta) + \frac{e^{2n\epsilon_n^2}}{\pi(S_n)} \Pi(\Theta_n^c) \end{aligned}$$

Hellinger or L1 distance for iid

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- Variants : There are variants of this result but same ideas.

▶ **Mixture model**

$$\psi_{P,\sigma}(x) = \int \phi(x|\theta, \sigma) dP(\theta)$$

▶ **Observations** $X_i \sim f_0$, i.i.d $i = 1, \dots, n$ and f_0 is smooth,

$$f_0 \notin \{\psi_{P,\sigma}, P \in \mathcal{P}, \sigma \in \mathcal{S}\}$$

▶ **Can we still use the mixture model?** sometimes yes.

▶ **Wu & Ghosal (08)** General conditions for **Kullback-Leiber** (ϵ) to hold.

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location-Gaussian mixtures

$$\psi_p(x|\mu, \sigma) = e^{-\frac{|x-\mu|^2}{2\sigma^2}} \sigma^{-1}, \quad \theta = \mu, \quad \alpha = \sigma,$$

► **General idea** : if $f \in C^0$ $\lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} \int \psi(x|\mu, \sigma) f(\mu) d\mu = f(x)$.

Theorem

(Kruijer et al. 2010)

If $\log f_0$ is **locally β -Hölder** on \mathbb{R} + other conds. $\exists g_\beta$ density s.t.

$$K(f_0, \psi_{g_\beta, \sigma}) = O(\sigma^{2\beta}), \quad V(f_0, f_{g_\beta}) = O(\sigma^{2\beta})$$

(de Jong et van Zanten) If f_0 **β -Hölder**,

$$\|f_0 - \psi_{g_\beta, \sigma}\|_\infty = O(\sigma^\beta)$$

$$f_{g_\beta, \sigma}(x) = \int \psi_p((x - \mu)/\sigma) \sigma^{-1} g_\beta(x) dx$$

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- Prior on σ

$$\sigma \sim IG(a_1, a_2)$$

Result : adaptive concentration rate

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● Minimax rate :

$$\inf_{\hat{f}} \sup_{f \in \mathcal{C}} r_n^{-1} E_f^n \left[d(\hat{f}, f) \right] \approx cste$$

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Result : adaptive concentration rate

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$$\hat{f}(x) = \psi_{P_n, \sigma} = \int \psi(x|\mu, \sigma) dP_n(\mu), \quad P_n(\mu) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \delta_{(X_i)}(\mu)$$

The best you can do : $\|f - \psi_{f, \sigma}\| \rightarrow$ not adaptive.
e.g. Gaussian mixtures f is β -Hölder.

$$\|f - \psi_{f, \sigma}\|_{\infty} = O(\sigma^{2 \wedge \beta}), \quad \text{suboptimal if } \beta > 2$$

► Here It is enough to find f_{β} ($\neq f$)

$$\|f - \psi_{f_{\beta}, \sigma}\|_{\infty} = O(\sigma^{\beta})$$

Some open questions

- **Location - scale mixtures**

$$f_P = \int \frac{1}{\sigma} \phi\left(\frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}\right) dP(\mu, \sigma)$$

→ Consistency to any continuous and positive density

→ Suboptimal rates for β - Hölder : Sharp ? Why ? contradicts practice

- **Lower bounds ?**

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Examples of ways of choosing $\hat{\lambda}$ and examples

▶ Maximum marginal likelihood estimate

$$\hat{\lambda}_n = \operatorname{argmax}_{\lambda} m(X^n|\lambda), \quad m(X^n|\lambda) = \int_{\Theta} f_{\theta}^n(X^n) d\Pi(\theta|\lambda)$$

▶ Others Moment - types estimate

$$X_1, \dots, X_n | (F, \sigma) \stackrel{\text{i.i.d.}}{\sim} p_{F, \sigma}(\cdot) := \int \phi(\cdot | \mu, \sigma^2) dF(\mu).$$

$$\theta = (F, \sigma), \quad \text{Prior : } F \sim DP(\alpha \mathcal{N}(\lambda, \tau^2)), \quad \sigma \sim \pi_{\sigma}$$

$$\hat{\lambda}_n = \bar{X}_n, \quad \hat{\tau}_n^2 = S_n^2, \max X_j - \min X_j$$

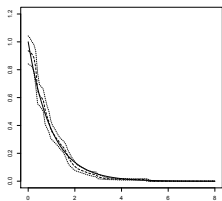
see e.g. Green & Richardson

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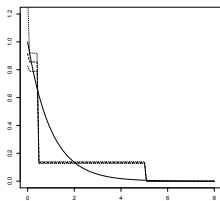
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Driving example : Poisson inhomogeneous monotone intensity estimation

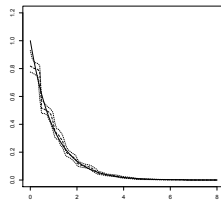
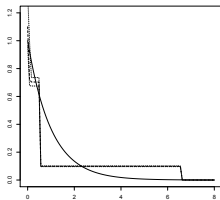
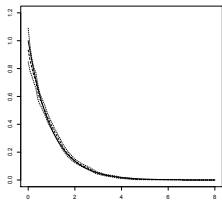
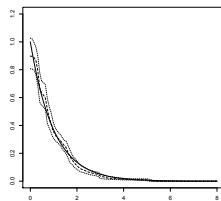
Strategy 1 (Empirical)



Strategy 2 (γ fixed)



Strategy 3 (hierarchical)



Dealing with data dependent priors

- Theory : so far fully Bayes
- How to adapt to data dependent priors ? ► **Ghosal and Van der Vaart 's proof** : **Fubini**

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\theta_0} [\Pi(U_n^c | X^n)] &= E_{\theta_0} \left[\frac{\int_{U_n^c} e^{\ell_n(\theta) - \ell_n(\theta_0)} d\pi(\theta)}{\int_{\Theta} e^{\ell_n(\theta) - \ell_n(\theta_0)} d\pi(\theta)} \right] := E_{\theta_0} \left[\frac{N_n}{D_n} \right] \\ &\leq E_{\theta_0}[\phi_n] + P_{\theta_0}^n \left[D_n < e^{-2n\epsilon_n^2} \pi(S_n) \right] \\ &\quad + \frac{e^{2n\epsilon_n^2}}{\pi(S_n)} E_{\theta_0}^n [N_n(1 - \phi_n)] \\ &\leq E_{\theta_0}[\phi_n] + \frac{\int_{S_n} P_{\theta_0} [\ell_n(\theta) - \ell_n(\theta_0) < -2n\epsilon_n^2] d\pi(\theta)}{\pi(S_n)} \\ &\quad + \frac{e^{2n\epsilon_n^2}}{\pi(S_n)} \int_{U_n^c \cap \Theta_n} E_{\theta} [1 - \phi_n] d\pi(\theta) + \frac{e^{2n\epsilon_n^2}}{\pi(S_n)} \Pi(\Theta_n^c) \end{aligned}$$

Difficulty for $\pi \left(U_n^c | X^n; \hat{\lambda} \right) = o_p(1)$

▶ If $P_{\theta_0} \left[\hat{\lambda}_n \in \mathcal{K}_n \right] = 1 + o(1)$

$\pi \left(U_n^c | X^n; \hat{\lambda} \right) \leq \sup_{\lambda \in \mathcal{K}_n} \pi \left(U_n^c | X^n; \lambda \right) = o_p(1)?$, $U_n = \{ \theta, d(\theta_0, \theta) \leq \epsilon_n \}$

▶ **Non dominated models** $\lambda \rightarrow \Pi(d\theta|\lambda)$: not dominated \Rightarrow
cannot study

$$\frac{\pi(\theta|\lambda)}{\pi(\theta|\lambda')}$$

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Change of measure - $\sup_{\lambda \in \mathcal{K}_n} \pi(B_n | X^n; \lambda) = o_p(1)$?

► **A key tool** For all λ, λ'

$$\theta \sim \pi(\cdot | \lambda) \Rightarrow \psi_{\lambda, \lambda'}(\theta) \sim \pi(\cdot | \lambda')$$

► **Important class of examples** Mixtures (parametric or NP)

$$\theta = (P, \phi)$$

$$f_{P, \phi}(x) = \int K_\phi(x|z) dP(z) = \sum_j p_j K_\phi(x|z_j), \quad P \sim DP(MG(\cdot | \lambda)), \quad \phi \sim \pi_\phi$$

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_{\lambda, \lambda'}(f_{P, \phi})(x) &= \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} p_j K_\phi(x | G^{-1}(G(z_j | \lambda) | \lambda')) \\ &= f_{P', \phi}, \quad P' \sim DP(M, G(\cdot | \lambda')) \end{aligned}$$

A general Theorem

$$\sup_{\lambda' \in \mathcal{K}_n} \pi(U_n^c | X^n \lambda') = \sup_{\lambda' \in \mathcal{K}_n} \frac{\int_{U_n^c} p_{\psi_{\lambda, \lambda'}(\theta)}^{(n)}(x^n) d\pi(\theta | \lambda)}{\int_{\Theta} p_{\psi_{\lambda, \lambda'}(\theta)}^{(n)}(x^n) d\pi(\theta | \lambda)} := \frac{N_n}{D_n} = o(1)$$

► **KL support condition** : $\mathcal{K}_n = \cup_{i=1}^{N_n(u_n)} B(\lambda_i, u_n)$

$$\sup_{\lambda \in \mathcal{K}_n} \sup_{\theta \in \tilde{B}_n} P_{\theta_0}^{(n)} \left\{ \inf_{\|\lambda' - \lambda\| \leq u_n} \ell_n(\psi_{\lambda, \lambda'}(\theta)) - \ell_n(\theta_0) < -n\epsilon_n^2 \right\} = o(N_n(u_n)^{-1})$$

► **tests** : Let $dQ_{\lambda, n}^\theta(x) = \sup_{\|\lambda' - \lambda\| \leq u_n} p_{\psi_{\lambda, \lambda'}(\theta)}^{(n)}(x) d\mu(x)$,

$$E_{\theta_0}^{(n)}(\phi_n) = o(1), \quad \sup_{\lambda \in \mathcal{K}_n} \sup_{d(\theta, \theta_0) > \epsilon_n} \int_{\mathcal{X}^n} (1 - \phi_n) dQ_{\lambda, n}^\theta(x^n) \leq e^{-Kn\epsilon_n^2}$$

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► **Typically** For all $\theta \in \Theta_n$

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A general Theorem : comments

$$\pi \left(d(\theta, \theta_0) \leq \epsilon_n | \mathbf{x}^n, \hat{\lambda}_n \right) = o_{p_0}(1)$$

- If $\mathcal{K}_n = \{\lambda; \epsilon_n(\lambda) \leq M_n \epsilon_n^*\}$, then

$$\epsilon_n \leq M_n \epsilon_n^*$$



Oracle posterior concentration rates

- **BUT : need to know \mathcal{K}_n** e.g. MMLE

Application to DP mixtures of Gaussians

- ▶ **Model** $x^n = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ iid f
- ▶ **prior on f : DPM Gaussian**

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- ▶ **Choice for μ_0, τ^2 ?** $\lambda = (\mu_0, \tau^2)$ Two cases :

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Then

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$$\pi \left(\|f_{P,\sigma} - f_0\|_1 > (\log n)^a n^{-\alpha/(2\alpha+1)} \mid \mathbf{x}^n \right) = o_{\rho_0}(1)$$

- Applies to $\hat{\lambda}_n = (\bar{x}_n, s_n)$ and $(\bar{x}_n, \max_i x_i - \min_i x_i)$: in the latter loss in $\log n$
- $(\bar{x}_n, \max_i x_i - \min_i x_i)$: acts like a non informative prior

Some examples of transformations

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- $\theta = \text{curve } f$, (density, regression, spectral density)

$$\Psi(\theta) = \psi(f), \quad \text{functional}$$

$$\text{ex : } \psi(f) = F(x) = \int \mathbb{1}_{u \leq x} f(t) dt, \quad \psi(f) = \int f^2(u) du, \\ \psi(f) = f(x_0)$$

$$\Pi(\psi(\theta) \in A_n | X^n)??$$

► **Regular models**

$$\exists \hat{\psi}, \text{ s.t. } \sqrt{n}(\hat{\psi} - \psi(\theta_0)) \rightarrow \mathcal{N}(0, \nu_0)$$

What about Bayesian approaches ?

$$\Pi(d(\psi, \psi(\theta_0)) \leq M_n n^{-1/2} | X^n) \rightarrow 1, \quad \forall M_n \uparrow +\infty?$$

More ? : asymptotic normality : BvM

$$\Pi(\sqrt{n}(\psi - \hat{\psi}) \in A | X^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{P}(\mathcal{N}(0, \nu_0) \in A)?$$

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Bernstein Von Mises : i.i.d parametric

- Observations : for $i = 1, \dots, n$ $X_i \sim f(\cdot|\theta)$, i.i.d $\theta \in \Theta$.

A priori : $d\Pi(\theta) = \pi(\theta)d\theta =$ prior distribution

→ posterior density

$$\pi(\theta|X^n) = \frac{\pi(\theta)f(X^n|\theta)}{m(X^n)}, \quad X^n = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$$

► Bernstein Von Mises :

When n goes to infinity, the posterior distribution of θ close to a Normal with mean $\hat{\theta}$ and variance $V_{\theta_0}(\hat{\theta})$ under P_{θ_0} .

$$\sqrt{n}(\theta - \hat{\theta}) \approx \mathcal{N}(0, V_{\theta_0}(\hat{\theta}))$$

- regular models : $\hat{\theta} = \text{MLE}$, $V_{\theta_0}(\hat{\theta}) = I(\theta_0)^{-1} = \text{Inv. Fisher information Matrix}$

illustration :

$X_i \sim P(\lambda)$, and $\pi(\lambda) = \Gamma(a, b)$ then

$$\pi(\lambda|X^n) = \Gamma(a+n\bar{X}_n, b+n), \quad a = 10, b = 1, \quad \lambda_0 = 1, \quad n = 1, 10, 100$$

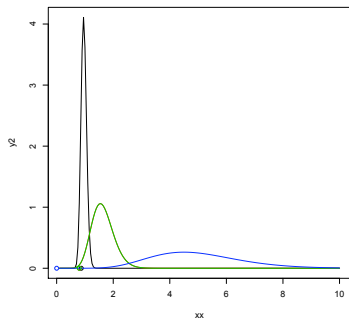


FIG.: posterior, $n=1$ = blue, $n=10$ =green, $n=100$ =black.

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Why does it work ?

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$l_n(\theta) = \log f(X^n|\theta)$, $\hat{\theta} =$ post mean or normalized score

$$\begin{aligned}\pi(\theta|X^n) &\propto e^{l_n(\theta) - l_n(\hat{\theta}) + \log(\pi(\theta)) - \log(\pi(\hat{\theta}))} \\ &\propto e^{-\frac{(\theta - \hat{\theta})J_n(\theta - \hat{\theta})}{2} (1 + o_P(1))} \quad \text{when } |\theta - \hat{\theta}| = o_P(1)\end{aligned}$$

$$J_n = D^2 l_n(\theta)|_{\theta = \hat{\theta}}$$

- ▶ **Integrate the approximation**

Extension to nonparametric models

- ▶ **Control of the LAN rest** uniformly compared $n\|\theta - \theta_0\|_2^2$
- ▶ **Continuity of the prior density**
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Context : how to express what is going on . . .

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with $W_n(u) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \|u\|_L^2)$ and $u \rightarrow W_n(u)$ linear.

• **White noise** $dX(t) = f(t)dt + dW(t)/\sqrt{n}$ ($\Leftrightarrow X_i = \theta_i + n^{-1/2}\epsilon_i$, $i \in \mathbb{N}$)

$$\ell_n(\theta) - \ell_n(\theta_0) = \frac{-n\|\theta - \theta_0\|_L^2}{2} + \sqrt{n} \sum_i (\theta_i - \theta_{0i})\epsilon_i$$

$$\|\theta - \theta_0\|_L^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (\theta_i - \theta_{0i})^2$$

LAN condition, Ex 2

- **Density** $X_i \sim f$ i.i.d $\theta = \log f$

$$\ell_n(\theta) - \ell_n(\theta_0) = \sum_i \theta(X_i) - \theta_0(X_i) = -\frac{n\|\theta - \theta_0\|_L^2}{2} + \sqrt{n}\mathbb{G}_n(\theta - \theta_0) + R_n(\theta)$$

$$\|\theta - \theta_0\|_L^2 = \int f_0(x) (\log f(x) - \log f_0(x))^2 dx - \left(\int f_0(\log f - \log f_0) \right)^2$$

- **auto-regression** $Y_i = f(Y_{i-1}) + \epsilon_i$, $\epsilon_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$

$$\|\theta - \theta_0\|_L^2 = \int_{\mathbb{R}} q_{f_0}(x) (f(x) - f_0(x))^2 dx$$

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- Linear : $\ddot{\psi}_0 = 0$
- quadratic $\ddot{\psi}_0 \neq 0$

About the 2 regimes : examples

- Linear functional : $\theta = f$

$$\psi(f) = \int \psi(x)f(x)dx = \psi(f_0) + \int \psi(f - f_0)$$

- Quadratic

$$\psi(f) = \int f^2(x)dx = \psi(f_0) + 2 \langle f_0, f - f_0 \rangle_2 + \|f - f_0\|_2^2, \quad \dot{\psi}_0 = 2f_0$$

If on A_n :

$$\|f - f_0\|_2^2 \leq \epsilon_n^2 = o(1/\sqrt{n})$$

then

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Set

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If on A_n , $R(\theta, \theta_0) - R(\theta_t, \theta_0) + t\sqrt{nr}(\theta, \theta_0) = o(1)$ and

• **The condition**

$$\frac{\int_{A_n} p_{\theta_t}(Y^n) d\pi(\theta)}{\int_{A_n} p_{\theta}(Y^n) d\pi(\theta)} = 1 + o_p(1)$$

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General idea

- Prove & find $\hat{\psi}$ s. t. ($A_n = \{\|\theta - \theta_0\|_L \leq \epsilon_n\}$)

$$E^\pi \left[e^{t\sqrt{n}(\psi(\theta) - \hat{\psi})} \mathbf{I}_{A_n}(f) | X^n \right] = e^{t^2 V^2 / 2} + o_P(1),$$

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In parametric cases : $\theta' = \theta + tu/\sqrt{n}$

$$\pi(\theta') = \pi(\theta)(1 + o(1)), \quad \text{if } \pi \text{ is } C^0$$

In nonparametric : "holes" in π .

BvM – summary and further

► Model and aim

$$X^n | \theta \sim P_\theta; \psi(\theta) \in \mathbb{R}^d; \quad \Pi(\sqrt{n}(\psi(\theta) - \hat{\psi}) \in A | X^n) \stackrel{P_0}{\approx} \mathcal{N}(0, v_0)$$

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► Types of easy conditions • Quadratic approximation

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$$\exists A_n \subset \{d(\theta, \theta_0) \leq \epsilon_n\}, \quad \Pi(A_n | X^n) = 1 + o_{P_0}(1), \quad \sup_{\theta \in A_n} |\sqrt{n} r(\theta)| = o(1)$$

The nasty condition

Under the above conditions, **if** , $\theta_t = \theta_0 - t \frac{\dot{\psi}_0}{\sqrt{n}} - \frac{t\ddot{\psi}_0(\theta - \theta_0)}{2\sqrt{n}} + \frac{t\Delta}{n}$

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and $A_{n,k} = \{f_{w,k}; h(f_{w,k}, f_{0[k]}) \lesssim \sqrt{k \log n/n}\}$

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True for any $k \lesssim n/(\log n)^2$.

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 - Linear : Risk of bias : **There are counterexamples**

Some explanation about bias : where it can go wrong

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$$\Rightarrow \eta_t \rightarrow \omega_t???$$

Need

$$\int (\dot{\psi}_0(x) - \dot{\psi}_{0[k]}(x))(f_0 - f_{0[k]})(x) dx = o(1/\sqrt{n})$$

Only ok if k large enough

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White noise : quadratic functional - non smooth but regular $\beta > 1/4$

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► **True model** $\theta_0 \in \mathcal{S}_\beta := \{\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} j^{2\beta}\theta_j^2 < +\infty\}$

► **Prior Given k** :

$$\theta_j/\tau_j \sim g \quad j \leq k \quad \& \quad \theta_j = 0 \quad j > k$$

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 - $\delta < 1/4$ for Gaussian
 - $\delta < 1/2$ for Uniform

- ▶ **BVM for $\psi(\theta)$** based on : LAN + concentration + smoothness of ψ + **Change or parameter**
- ▶ **Change of parameter** No bias condition : This is the difficult condition
- ▶ **Global BVM** (for θ) \Rightarrow BVM for smooth functionals but not necessary
- ▶ **Non smooth functionals** ($f(x_0)$, $\|f\|^2$ if $\beta < 1/2$) harder to get BVM (need larger k)
- ▶ **Different priors for different functionals ?** \Rightarrow Different likelihoods ? See PAC Bayesian