

Supplementary files of “Goodness of fit of logistic models for random graphs” : the directed case

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1 Model

Notations.

- n nodes;
- x_{ij} = vector (dimension d) of covariates for edge (i, j) ;
- Z_i = (latent) class of node i ;
- Y_{ij} = edge between nodes i and j

Priors.

- (Proportions) $\pi \sim \mathcal{D}(e)$, where e is a vector with K components such that $e_k = e_0, \forall k \in \{1, \dots, K\}$;
- (Group specific constants) $\alpha \in \mathcal{M}_{K,K}(\mathbb{R})$. In the following, we consider the vec operator which stacks the column of a matrix into a vector. Thus, if A is the 2×2 matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix},$$

then

$$A^{\text{vec}} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \\ A_{12} \\ A_{22} \end{pmatrix}.$$

For the group specific parameter matrix α , we consider the prior distribution

$$p(\alpha^{\text{vec}}|\gamma) = \mathcal{N}(\alpha^{\text{vec}}; 0, \frac{I_{K^2}}{\gamma})$$

where I_{K^2} denotes the $K^2 \times K^2$ identity matrix and γ is a parameter controlling the inverse variance;

- (Regression coefficients) $\beta \in \mathbb{R}^d$. Again, we consider a Gaussian prior distribution

$$p(\beta|\eta) = \mathcal{N}(\beta; 0, \frac{I_d}{\eta})$$

with I_d the $d \times d$ identity matrix;

- $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}^+$. We consider a Gamma distribution $p(\gamma) = \text{Gam}(\gamma; a_0, b_0)$;
- $\eta \in \mathbb{R}^+$. We consider a Gamma distribution $p(\eta) = \text{Gam}(\eta; c_0, d_0)$.

Model.

- (Z_i) iid $|\pi$, $Z_i \sim \mathcal{M}(1; \pi)$;
- (Y_{ij}) independent $|Z_i, Z_j, \alpha, \beta$

$$Y_{ij}|x_{ij}, Z_i, Z_j, \alpha, \beta \sim \mathcal{B}(g(Z_i^\top \alpha Z_j + x_{ij}^\top \beta)).$$

2 Inference

2.1 Variational approximations

We aim at considering the integrated observed data log-likelihood, also called marginal log-likelihood

$$\log p(Y|K) = \log \left\{ \sum_Z \int p(Y|X, Z, \alpha, \beta) p(Z|\pi) p(\alpha|\gamma) p(\beta|\eta) p(\pi) p(\gamma) p(\eta) d\pi d\alpha d\beta d\gamma d\eta \right\}. \quad (1)$$

Unfortunately neither (1) nor the posterior distribution $p(Z, \pi, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \eta|X)$ are tractable and therefore we propose to rely on variational approximations for inference purposes. Let us first consider the global variational decomposition

$$\log p(Y|K) = \mathcal{L}(q) + \text{KL}(q(\cdot)||p(\cdot|X)).$$

Maximizing the functional $\mathcal{L}(\cdot)$, which is a lower bound of $\log p(Y|K)$, with respect to the distribution $q(\cdot)$, is equivalent to minimizing the Kullback-Leibler divergence between $q(\cdot)$ and the unknown posterior distribution $p(\cdot|X)$. $\mathcal{L}(\cdot)$ is given by

$$\mathcal{L}(q) = \sum_Z \int q(Z, \pi, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \eta) \log \frac{p(X, Z, \pi, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \eta)}{q(Z, \pi, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \eta)} d\pi d\alpha d\beta d\gamma d\eta.$$

In order to maximize the lower bound, we assume that the distribution can be factorized

$$q(Z, \pi, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \eta) = q(\pi)q(\alpha)q(\beta)q(\gamma)q(\eta) \prod_{i=1}^n q(Z_i).$$

Unfortunately, $\mathcal{L}(\cdot)$ is still intractable due to the logistic function in $p(Y|X, Z, \alpha, \beta)$. Following the work of [1], a tractable lower bound is derived

$$\mathcal{L}(q; \xi) = \sum_Z \int q(Z, \pi, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \eta) \log \frac{h(Z, \alpha, \beta, \xi) p(Z, \pi, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \eta)}{q(Z, \pi, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \eta)} d\pi d\alpha d\beta d\gamma d\eta,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \log h(Z, \alpha, \beta, \xi) = \sum_{i \neq j}^n \left\{ (Y_{ij} - \frac{1}{2})(Z_i^\top \alpha Z_j + x_{ij}^\top \beta) + \log g(\xi_{ij}) - \frac{\xi_{ij}}{2} \right. \\ \left. - \lambda(\xi_{ij}) ((Z_i^\top \alpha Z_j + x_{ij}^\top \beta)^2 - \xi_{ij}^2) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

with $\xi_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}^+$ and $\lambda(\xi_{ij}) = (g(\xi_{ij}) - 1/2) / (2\xi_{ij})$. Please note that

$$\log(Y|K) \geq \mathcal{L}(q) \geq \mathcal{L}(q; \xi).$$

2.2 VBEM

In the following, we derive a variational Bayes expectation maximization (VBEM) algorithm maximizing $\mathcal{L}(q; \xi)$.

2.2.1 $q(\pi)$

$$\begin{aligned} \log q(\pi) &= \mathbb{E}_Z [\log p(Z|\pi) + \log p(\pi)] + \text{cst} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^K \tau_{ik} \log \pi_k + \sum_{k=1}^K (e_0 - 1) \log \pi_k + \text{cst} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^K \left(e_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n \tau_{ik} - 1 \right) \log \pi_k + \text{cst}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$q(\pi) = \text{Dir}(\pi; e^n),$$

where $e_k^n = e_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n \tau_{ik}, \forall k \in \{1, \dots, K\}$.

2.2.2 $q(\gamma)$

$$\begin{aligned} \log q(\gamma) &= \mathbb{E}_\alpha [\log p(\alpha^{\text{vec}}|\gamma) + \log p(\gamma)] + \text{cst} \\ &= \mathbb{E}_\alpha \left[\frac{K^2}{2} \log \gamma - \frac{\gamma}{2} (\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top \alpha^{\text{vec}} \right] + (a_0 - 1) \log \gamma - b_0 \gamma + \text{cst} \\ &= (a_0 + \frac{K^2}{2} - 1) \log \gamma - \left(b_0 + \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}(S_\alpha) + \frac{1}{2} (m_\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top m_\alpha^{\text{vec}} \right) \gamma + \text{cst}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$q(\gamma) = \text{Gam}(\gamma; a_n, b_n),$$

where $a_n = a_0 + \frac{K^2}{2}$ and $b_n = b_0 + \frac{1}{2}\text{Tr}(S_\alpha) + \frac{1}{2}(m_\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top m_\alpha^{\text{vec}}$.

2.2.3 $q(\eta)$

$$\log q(\eta) = \mathbb{E}_\beta [\log p(\beta|\eta) + \log p(\eta)] + \text{cst.}$$

The derivations of $q(\eta)$ and $q(\gamma)$ are similar (see Section 2.2.2).

$$q(\eta) = \text{Gam}(\eta; c_n, d_n),$$

where $c_n = c_0 + \frac{d}{2}$ and $d_n = d_0 + \frac{1}{2}\text{Tr}(S_\beta) + \frac{1}{2}m_\beta^\top m_\beta$.

2.2.4 $q(Z_i)$

$$\begin{aligned} \log q(Z_i) &= \mathbb{E}_{Z^{\setminus i}, \alpha, \beta, \pi} [\log h(Z, \alpha, \beta, \xi) + \log p(Z|\pi)] + \text{cst} \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{Z^{\setminus i}, \alpha, \beta, \pi} \left[\sum_{i \neq j}^n \left\{ (Y_{ij} - \frac{1}{2}) Z_i^\top \alpha Z_j - \lambda(\xi_{ij}) ((Z_i^\top \alpha Z_j)^2 + 2Z_i^\top \alpha Z_i x_{ij}^\top \beta) \right\} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{k=1}^n Z_{ik} \log \pi_k \right] + \text{cst.} \end{aligned}$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}_{Z_j, \alpha} [Z_i^\top \alpha Z_j] &= \mathbb{E}_{Z_j, \alpha} \left[\sum_{k,l} Z_{ik} \alpha_{kl} Z_{jl} \right] \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^K Z_{ik} \left\{ \sum_{l=1}^K (m_\alpha)_{kl} \tau_{jl} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}_{Z_j, \alpha} [(Z_i^\top \alpha Z_j)^2] &= \mathbb{E}_{Z_j, \alpha} \left[\left(\sum_{k,l} Z_{ik} \alpha_{kl} Z_{jl} \right)^2 \right] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{Z_j, \alpha} \left[\sum_{k,k',l,l'}^K Z_{ik} Z_{ik'} \alpha_{kl} \alpha_{k'l'} Z_{jl} Z_{jl'} \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

Because all vectors Z_i are sampled from a multinomial distribution with parameters $(1, \pi)$, all terms $Z_{ik} Z_{ik'} = 0$ for $k \neq k'$ and $Z_{ik}^2 = Z_{ik}$ in (2). Therefore

$$(Z_i^\top \alpha Z_j)^2 = \sum_{k,l}^K Z_{ik} \alpha_{kl}^2 Z_{jl}. \tag{3}$$

This leads to

$$\mathbb{E}_{Z_j, \alpha}[(Z_i^\top \alpha Z_j)^2] = \sum_{k=1}^K Z_{ik} \left\{ \sum_{l=1}^K \mathbb{E}_{\alpha_{kl}}[\alpha_{kl}^2] \tau_{jl} \right\}.$$

Finally

$$\begin{aligned} \log q(Z_i) = & \sum_{k=1}^K Z_{ik} \left\{ \sum_{l=1}^K (m_\alpha)_{kl} \sum_{j \neq i}^n \left((Y_{ij} - \frac{1}{2}) - 2\lambda(\xi_{ij}) x_{ij}^\top m_\beta \right) \tau_{jl} - \sum_{l=1}^K \mathbb{E}_{\alpha_{kl}}[\alpha_{kl}^2] \sum_{j \neq i}^n \lambda(\xi_{ij}) \tau_{jl} \right. \\ & + \sum_{l=1}^K (m_\alpha)_{lk} \sum_{j \neq i}^n \left((Y_{ji} - \frac{1}{2}) - 2\lambda(\xi_{ji}) x_{ji}^\top m_\beta \right) \tau_{jl} - \sum_{l=1}^K \mathbb{E}_{\alpha_{lk}}[\alpha_{lk}^2] \sum_{j \neq i}^n \lambda(\xi_{ji}) \tau_{jl} \\ & \left. + \psi(e_k^n) - \psi\left(\sum_{l=1}^K e_l^n\right) \right\} + \text{cst.} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$q(Z_i) = \mathcal{M}(Z_i; 1, \tau_i),$$

where $\sum_{k=1}^K \tau_{ik} = 1$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_{ik} \propto \exp \left\{ \sum_{l=1}^K (m_\alpha)_{kl} \sum_{j \neq i}^n \left((Y_{ij} - \frac{1}{2}) - 2\lambda(\xi_{ij}) x_{ij}^\top m_\beta \right) \tau_{jl} - \sum_{l=1}^K \mathbb{E}_{\alpha_{kl}}[\alpha_{kl}^2] \sum_{j \neq i}^n \lambda(\xi_{ij}) \tau_{jl} \right. \\ + \sum_{l=1}^K (m_\alpha)_{lk} \sum_{j \neq i}^n \left((Y_{ji} - \frac{1}{2}) - 2\lambda(\xi_{ji}) x_{ji}^\top m_\beta \right) \tau_{jl} - \sum_{l=1}^K \mathbb{E}_{\alpha_{lk}}[\alpha_{lk}^2] \sum_{j \neq i}^n \lambda(\xi_{ji}) \tau_{jl} \\ \left. + \psi(e_k^n) - \psi\left(\sum_{l=1}^K e_l^n\right) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

2.2.5 $q(\alpha^{\text{vec}})$

$$\begin{aligned} \log q(\alpha^{\text{vec}}) &= \mathbb{E}_{Z, \beta, \gamma} [\log h(Z, \alpha, \beta, \xi) + \log p(\alpha^{\text{vec}} | \gamma)] + \text{cst} \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{Z, \beta, \gamma} \left[\sum_{i \neq j}^n \left\{ (Y_{ij} - \frac{1}{2}) Z_i^\top \alpha Z_j - \lambda(\xi_{ij}) \left((Z_i^\top \alpha Z_j)^2 + 2 Z_i^\top \alpha Z_j x_{ij}^\top \beta \right) \right\} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{\gamma}{2} (\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top \alpha^{\text{vec}} \right] + \text{cst.} \end{aligned}$$

First note that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}_{Z_i, Z_j} [Z_i^\top \alpha Z_j] &= \tau_i^\top \alpha \tau_j \\ &= (\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top (\tau_j \otimes \tau_i), \end{aligned}$$

where \otimes denotes the Kronecker product. Moreover

$$\mathbb{E}_{Z_i, Z_j}[(Z_i^\top \alpha Z_j)^2] = \mathbb{E}_{Z_i, Z_j} \left[\sum_{k,l}^K Z_{ik} \alpha_{kl}^2 Z_{jl} \right],$$

following (3). Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}_{Z_i, Z_j}[(Z_i^\top \alpha Z_j)^2] &= \sum_{k,l}^K \tau_{ik} \alpha_{kl}^2 \tau_{jl} \\ &= (\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top E_{ij} \alpha^{\text{vec}}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$E_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} [E_{ij}^1] & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & [E_{ij}^2] & 0 & \dots & \vdots \\ \vdots & 0 & [\cdot \cdot] & 0 & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & 0 & [\cdot \cdot] & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & [E_{ij}^K] \end{pmatrix},$$

and $(E_{ij}^l)_{kk'} = 0$ for $k \neq k'$ and $(E_{ij}^l)_{kk} = \tau_{ik} \tau_{jl}$ for all k in $\{1, \dots, K\}$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \log q(\alpha^{\text{vec}}) &= (\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top \sum_{i \neq j}^n \left((Y_{ij} - \frac{1}{2}) - 2\lambda(\xi_{ij}) x_{ij}^\top m_\beta \right) (\tau_j \otimes \tau_i) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2} (\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top \left(\frac{a_n}{b_n} I_{K^2} + 2 \sum_{i \neq j}^n \lambda(\xi_{ij}) E_{ij} \right) \alpha^{\text{vec}} + \text{cst}. \end{aligned}$$

Finally

$$q(\alpha^{\text{vec}}) = \mathcal{N}(\alpha^{\text{vec}}; m_\alpha^{\text{vec}}, S_\alpha),$$

where

$$S_\alpha^{-1} = \frac{a_n}{b_n} I_{K^2} + 2 \sum_{i \neq j}^n \lambda(\xi_{ij}) E_{ij},$$

and

$$m_\alpha^{\text{vec}} = S_\alpha \sum_{i \neq j}^n \left(Y_{ij} - \frac{1}{2} - 2\lambda(\xi_{ij}) x_{ij}^\top m_\beta \right) (\tau_j \otimes \tau_i).$$

Please note that S_α^{-1} is a diagonal matrix and so is S_α . Thus, $q(\alpha^{\text{vec}})$ is in fact a product of unidimensional distributions $q(\alpha_j^{\text{vec}})$. However, to limit the use of sums in the rest of the paper, and to facilitate the comparison of $q(\alpha^{\text{vec}})$ and $q(\beta)$, we keep these matrix notations.

2.2.6 $q(\beta)$

$$\begin{aligned}
\log q(\beta) &= \mathbb{E}_{Z, \alpha, \eta} [\log h(Z, \alpha, \beta, \xi) + \log p(\beta|\eta)] + \text{cst} \\
&= \mathbb{E}_{Z, \alpha, \eta} \left[\sum_{i \neq j}^n \left\{ (Y_{ij} - 1/2) x_{ij}^\top \beta - \lambda(\xi_{ij}) \left((x_{ij}^\top \beta)^2 + 2Z_i^\top \alpha Z_j x_{ij}^\top \beta \right) \right\} - \frac{\eta}{2} \beta^\top \beta \right] + \text{cst} \\
&= \beta^\top \left\{ \sum_{i \neq j}^n \left(Y_{ij} - \frac{1}{2} - 2\lambda(\xi_{ij}) \tau_i^\top m_\alpha \tau_j \right) x_{ij} \right\} - \frac{1}{2} \beta^\top \left\{ \frac{c_n}{d_n} I_d + 2 \sum_{i \neq j}^n \lambda(\xi_{ij}) x_{ij} x_{ij}^\top \right\} \beta + \text{cst}.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$q(\beta) = \mathcal{N}(\beta; m_\beta, S_\beta),$$

where

$$S_\beta^{-1} = \frac{c_n}{d_n} I_d + 2 \sum_{i \neq j}^n \lambda(\xi_{ij}) x_{ij} x_{ij}^\top,$$

and

$$m_\beta = S_\beta \sum_{i \neq j}^n \left(Y_{ij} - \frac{1}{2} - 2\lambda(\xi_{ij}) \tau_i^\top m_\alpha \tau_j \right) x_{ij}.$$

2.3 Derivation of the lower bound

$$\mathcal{L}(q; \xi) = \mathbb{E}_{Z, \pi, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \eta} [\log h(Z, \alpha, \beta, \xi) + \log p(Z, \pi, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \eta)] - \mathbb{E}_{Z, \pi, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \eta} [\log q(Z, \pi, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \eta)]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L}(q; \xi) = & \sum_{i \neq j}^n \left\{ (Y_{ij} - \frac{1}{2})(\mathbb{E}_{Z_i, Z_j, \alpha}[Z_i^\top \alpha Z_j] + x_{ij}^\top \mathbb{E}_\beta[\beta]) + \log g(\xi_{ij}) - \frac{\xi_{ij}}{2} \right. \\
& \left. - \lambda(\xi_{ij}) \left(\mathbb{E}_{Z_i, Z_j, \alpha}[(Z_i^\top \alpha Z_j)^2] + 2\mathbb{E}_{Z_i, Z_j, \alpha}[Z_i^\top \alpha Z_j] x_{ij}^\top \mathbb{E}_\beta[\beta] + \mathbb{E}_\beta[(x_{ij}^\top \beta)^2] - \xi_{ij}^2 \right) \right\} \\
& + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbb{E}_{Z_i}[Z_{ik}] \mathbb{E}_\pi[\log \pi_k] - \log C(e) + \sum_{k=1}^K (e_0 - 1) \mathbb{E}_\pi[\log \pi_k] - \frac{K^2}{2} \log(2\pi) \\
& + \frac{K^2}{2} \mathbb{E}_\gamma[\log \gamma] - \frac{\mathbb{E}_\gamma[\gamma]}{2} \mathbb{E}_\alpha[(\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top \alpha^{\text{vec}}] - \frac{d}{2} \log(2\pi) + \frac{d}{2} \mathbb{E}_\eta[\log \eta] - \frac{\mathbb{E}_\eta[\eta]}{2} \mathbb{E}_\beta[\beta^\top \beta] \\
& - \log \Gamma(a_0) + a_0 \log b_0 + (a_0 - 1) \mathbb{E}_\gamma[\log \gamma] - b_0 \mathbb{E}_\gamma[\gamma] - \log \Gamma(c_0) \\
& + c_0 \log d_0 + (c_0 - 1) \mathbb{E}_\eta[\log \eta] - d_0 \mathbb{E}_\eta[\eta] - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbb{E}_{Z_i}[Z_{ik}] \log \tau_{ik} + \log C(e^n) \\
& - \sum_{k=1}^K (e_k^n - 1) \mathbb{E}_\pi[\log \pi_k] + \frac{K^2}{2} \log(2\pi) + \frac{1}{2} \log |S_\alpha| + \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E}_\alpha[(\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top S_\alpha^{-1} \alpha^{\text{vec}}] \\
& - \mathbb{E}_\alpha[\alpha^{\text{vec}}]^\top S_\alpha^{-1} m_\alpha^{\text{vec}} + \frac{1}{2} (m_\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top S_\alpha^{-1} m_\alpha^{\text{vec}} + \frac{d}{2} \log(2\pi) + \frac{1}{2} \log |S_\beta| \\
& + \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E}_\beta[\beta^\top S_\beta^{-1} \beta] - \mathbb{E}_\beta[\beta]^\top S_\beta^{-1} m_\beta + \frac{1}{2} m_\beta^\top S_\beta^{-1} m_\beta + \log \Gamma(a_n) - a_n \log b_n \\
& - (a_n - 1) \mathbb{E}_\gamma[\log \gamma] + b_n \mathbb{E}_\gamma[\gamma] + \log \Gamma(c_n) - c_n \log d_n - (c_n - 1) \mathbb{E}_\eta[\log \eta] \\
& + d_n \mathbb{E}_\eta[\eta], \quad (4)
\end{aligned}$$

where $C(x) = \frac{\prod_{k=1}^K \Gamma(x_k)}{\Gamma(\sum_{k=1}^K x_k)}$ and $\Gamma(\cdot)$ is the gamma function. The terms in $\mathbb{E}_\gamma[\log \gamma]$, $\mathbb{E}_\eta[\log \eta]$, $\mathbb{E}_\pi[\log \pi]$ and $\log(2\pi)$ do simplify in (4) after the VBEM update step. This leads to

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L}(q; \xi) = & \sum_{i \neq j}^n \left\{ (Y_{ij} - \frac{1}{2})(\mathbb{E}_{Z_i, Z_j, \alpha}[Z_i^\top \alpha Z_j] + x_{ij}^\top \mathbb{E}_\beta[\beta]) + \log g(\xi_{ij}) - \frac{\xi_{ij}}{2} \right. \\
& - \lambda(\xi_{ij}) \left(\mathbb{E}_{Z_i, Z_j, \alpha}[(Z_i^\top \alpha Z_j)^2] + 2\mathbb{E}_{Z_i, Z_j, \alpha}[Z_i^\top \alpha Z_j] x_{ij}^\top \mathbb{E}_\beta[\beta] + \mathbb{E}_\beta[(x_{ij}^\top \beta)^2] \right. \\
& \left. \left. - \xi_{ij}^2 \right) \right\} - \log C(e) - \frac{a_n}{2b_n} \text{Tr}(S_\alpha + m_\alpha^{\text{vec}}(m_\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top) - \frac{c_n}{2d_n} \text{Tr}(S_\beta + m_\beta m_\beta^\top) \\
& - \log \Gamma(a_0) + a_0 \log b_0 - b_0 \frac{a_n}{b_n} - \log \Gamma(c_0) + c_0 \log d_0 - d_0 \frac{c_n}{d_n} \\
& - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^K \tau_{ik} \log \tau_{ik} + \log C(e^n) + \frac{1}{2} \log |S_\alpha| + \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}(S_\alpha^{-1}(S_\alpha + m_\alpha^{\text{vec}}(m_\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top)) \\
& - \frac{1}{2} (m_\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top S_\alpha^{-1} m_\alpha^{\text{vec}} + \frac{1}{2} \log |S_\beta| + \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}(S_\beta^{-1}(S_\beta + m_\beta(m_\beta^{\text{vec}})^\top)) \\
& - \frac{1}{2} (m_\beta^{\text{vec}})^\top S_\beta^{-1} m_\beta + \log \Gamma(a_n) - a_n \log b_n + b_n \frac{a_n}{b_n} + \log \Gamma(c_n) \\
& - c_n \log d_n + d_n \frac{c_n}{d_n}.
\end{aligned}$$

Moreover, note that

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}_{Z_i, Z_j, \alpha}[Z_i^\top \alpha Z_j] &= \tau_i^\top m_\alpha \tau_j \\
&= (m_\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top (\tau_j \otimes \tau_i).
\end{aligned}$$

Using (3),

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}_{Z_i, Z_j, \alpha}[(Z_i^\top \alpha Z_j)^2] &= \mathbb{E}_{Z_i, Z_j, \alpha} \left[\sum_{k,l}^K Z_{ik} \alpha_{kl}^2 Z_{jl} \right] \\
&= \mathbb{E}_\alpha [(\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top E_{ij} \alpha^{\text{vec}}] \\
&= \text{Tr}(E_{ij} \mathbb{E}_\alpha[\alpha^{\text{vec}}(\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top]) \\
&= \text{Tr}(E_{ij}(S_\alpha + m_\alpha^{\text{vec}}(m_\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top)).
\end{aligned}$$

Finally

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}_\beta[(x_{ij}^\top \beta)^2] &= \mathbb{E}_\beta[x_{ij}^\top \beta x_{ij}^\top \beta] \\
&= \mathbb{E}_\beta[x_{ij}^\top \beta \beta^\top x_{ij}] \\
&= \text{Tr}(x_{ij} x_{ij}^\top \mathbb{E}_\beta[\beta \beta^\top]) \\
&= \text{Tr}(x_{ij} x_{ij}^\top (S_\beta + m_\beta m_\beta^\top)).
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L}(q; \xi) = & \sum_{i \neq j}^n \left\{ \log g(\xi_{ij}) - \frac{\xi_{ij}}{2} + \lambda(\xi_{ij}) \xi_{ij}^2 \right\} + \log \frac{C(e^n)}{C(e)} + \log \frac{\Gamma(a_n)}{\Gamma(a_0)} + \log \frac{\Gamma(c_n)}{\Gamma(c_0)} \\
& + a_0 \log b_0 + a_n \left(1 - \frac{b_0}{b_n} - \log b_n\right) + c_0 \log d_0 + c_n \left(1 - \frac{d_0}{d_n} - \log d_n\right) \\
& + \frac{1}{2} \log |S_\alpha| + \frac{1}{2} \log |S_\beta| - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^K \tau_{ik} \log \tau_{ik} - \frac{1}{2} (m_\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top S_\alpha^{-1} m_\alpha^{\text{vec}} - \frac{1}{2} m_\beta^\top S_\beta^{-1} m_\beta \\
& + (m_\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top \sum_{i \neq j}^n \left(Y_{ij} - \frac{1}{2} - 2\lambda(\xi_{ij}) x_{ij}^\top m_\beta \right) (\tau_j \otimes \tau_i) \\
& - \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \left(\left(2 \sum_{i \neq j}^n \lambda(\xi_{ij}) E_{ij} + \frac{a_n}{b_n} I_{K^2} - S_\alpha^{-1} \right) (S_\alpha + m_\alpha^{\text{vec}} (m_\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top) \right) \\
& + m_\beta^\top \sum_{i \neq j}^n \left(Y_{ij} - \frac{1}{2} \right) x_{ij} \\
& - \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \left(\left(2 \sum_{i \neq j}^n \lambda(\xi_{ij}) x_{ij} x_{ij}^\top + \frac{c_n}{d_n} I_d - S_\beta^{-1} \right) (S_\beta + m_\beta m_\beta^\top) \right).
\end{aligned}$$

Finally, since the term at the fourth line is exactly $(m_\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top S_\alpha^{-1} m_\alpha$, and after the VBEM update step

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L}(q; \xi) = & \sum_{i \neq j}^n \left\{ \log g(\xi_{ij}) - \frac{\xi_{ij}}{2} + \lambda(\xi_{ij}) \xi_{ij}^2 \right\} + \log \frac{C(e^n)}{C(e)} + \log \frac{\Gamma(a_n)}{\Gamma(a_0)} + \log \frac{\Gamma(c_n)}{\Gamma(c_0)} \\
& + a_0 \log b_0 + a_n \left(1 - \frac{b_0}{b_n} - \log b_n\right) + c_0 \log d_0 + c_n \left(1 - \frac{d_0}{d_n} - \log d_n\right) \\
& + \frac{1}{2} \log |S_\alpha| + \frac{1}{2} \log |S_\beta| - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^K \tau_{ik} \log \tau_{ik} + \frac{1}{2} (m_\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top S_\alpha^{-1} m_\alpha^{\text{vec}} - \frac{1}{2} m_\beta^\top S_\beta^{-1} m_\beta \\
& + m_\beta^\top \sum_{i \neq j}^n \left(Y_{ij} - \frac{1}{2} \right) x_{ij}.
\end{aligned}$$

2.4 Local variational optimization

Keeping only the terms that do depend on ξ_{ij} in (4), the lower bound is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L}(q; \xi) = & \sum_{i \neq j}^n \left\{ \log g(\xi_{ij}) - \frac{\xi_{ij}}{2} - \lambda(\xi_{ij}) \left(\text{Tr}(E_{ij} (S_\alpha + m_\alpha^{\text{vec}} (m_\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top)) + 2\tau_i^\top m_\alpha \tau_j x_{ij}^\top m_\beta \right. \right. \\
& \left. \left. + \text{Tr}(x_{ij} x_{ij}^\top (S_\beta + m_\beta m_\beta^\top)) - \xi_{ij}^2 \right) \right\} + \text{cst.}
\end{aligned}$$

The partial derivative of the lower bound with respect to ξ_{ij} is

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \xi_{ij}}(q; \xi) = & g(-\xi_{ij}) - \frac{1}{2} - \lambda'(\xi_{ij}) \left(\text{Tr}(E_{ij}(S_\alpha + m_\alpha^{\text{vec}}(m_\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top)) + 2\tau_i^\top m_\alpha \tau_j x_{ij}^\top m_\beta \right. \\ & \left. + \text{Tr}(x_{ij} x_{ij}^\top (S_\beta + m_\beta m_\beta^\top)) - \xi_{ij}^2 \right) + 2\lambda(\xi_{ij})\xi_{ij}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \xi_{ij}}(q; \xi) = & -\lambda'(\xi_{ij}) \left(\text{Tr}(E_{ij}(S_\alpha + m_\alpha^{\text{vec}}(m_\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top)) + 2\tau_i^\top m_\alpha \tau_j x_{ij}^\top m_\beta \right. \\ & \left. + \text{Tr}(x_{ij} x_{ij}^\top (S_\beta + m_\beta m_\beta^\top)) - \xi_{ij}^2 \right). \quad (5) \end{aligned}$$

Finally, $\lambda(\xi_{ij})$ is a strictly decreasing function for positive values of ξ_{ij} . Thus, $\lambda'(\xi_{ij}) \neq 0$ and therefore if we set (5) to zero, we obtain

$$\xi_{ij}^2 = \text{Tr}(E_{ij}(S_\alpha + m_\alpha^{\text{vec}}(m_\alpha^{\text{vec}})^\top)) + 2\tau_i^\top m_\alpha \tau_j x_{ij}^\top m_\beta + \text{Tr}(x_{ij} x_{ij}^\top (S_\beta + m_\beta m_\beta^\top)).$$

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