## Structured and Efficient Variational Deep Learning with Matrix Gaussian Posteriors

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## 1 KL divergence between matrix variate Gaussian prior and posterior

Let  $\mathcal{MN}_0(\mathbf{M}_0, \mathbf{U}_0, \mathbf{V}_0)$  and  $\mathcal{MN}_1(\mathbf{M}_1, \mathbf{U}_1, \mathbf{V}_1)$  be two matrix variate Gaussian distributions for random matrices of size  $n \times p$ . We can use the fact that the matrix variate Gaussian is a multivariate Gaussian if we flatten the matrix, i.e.  $\mathcal{MN}_0(\mathbf{M}_0, \mathbf{U}_0, \mathbf{V}_0) = \mathcal{N}_0(\operatorname{vec}(\mathbf{M}_0), \mathbf{V}_0 \otimes \mathbf{U}_0)$ , and as a result use the KL-divergence between two multivariate Gaussians:

$$KL(\mathcal{N}_{0}||\mathcal{N}_{1}) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{1}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{0}) + (\boldsymbol{\mu}_{1} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{0})^{T}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{1}^{-1}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_{1} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{0}) - K + \log \frac{|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{1}|}{|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{0}|} \right)$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \left( \operatorname{tr}\left( (\mathbf{V}_{1} \otimes \mathbf{U}_{1})^{-1} (\mathbf{V}_{0} \otimes \mathbf{U}_{0}) \right) + \left( \operatorname{vec}(\mathbf{M}_{1}) - \operatorname{vec}(\mathbf{M}_{0}) \right)^{T} \left( \mathbf{V}_{1} \otimes \mathbf{U}_{1} \right)^{-1} \left( \operatorname{vec}(\mathbf{M}_{1}) - \operatorname{vec}(\mathbf{M}_{0}) \right) - np + \log \frac{|\mathbf{V}_{1} \otimes \mathbf{U}_{1}|}{|\mathbf{V}_{0} \otimes \mathbf{U}_{0}|} \right)$$

Now to compute each term in the KL efficiently we need to use some properties of the vectorization and Kronecker product:

$$t_{a} = \operatorname{tr}\left((\mathbf{V}_{1} \otimes \mathbf{U}_{1})^{-1}(\mathbf{V}_{0} \otimes \mathbf{U}_{0})\right)$$
$$= \operatorname{tr}\left((\mathbf{V}_{1}^{-1} \otimes \mathbf{U}_{1}^{-1})(\mathbf{V}_{0} \otimes \mathbf{U}_{0})\right)$$
$$= \operatorname{tr}\left((\mathbf{V}_{1}^{-1}\mathbf{V}_{0}) \otimes (\mathbf{U}_{1}^{-1}\mathbf{U}_{0})\right)$$
$$= \operatorname{tr}(\mathbf{U}_{1}^{-1}\mathbf{U}_{0})\operatorname{tr}(\mathbf{V}_{1}^{-1}\mathbf{V}_{0}) \qquad (1)$$

$$t_{b} = \left(\operatorname{vec}(\mathbf{M}_{1}) - \operatorname{vec}(\mathbf{M}_{0})\right)^{T} \left(\mathbf{V}_{1} \otimes \mathbf{U}_{1}\right)^{-1} \left(\operatorname{vec}(\mathbf{M}_{1}) - \operatorname{vec}(\mathbf{M}_{0})\right)$$
$$= \operatorname{vec}(\mathbf{M}_{1} - \mathbf{M}_{0})^{T} \left(\mathbf{V}_{1}^{-1} \otimes \mathbf{U}_{1}^{-1}\right) \operatorname{vec}(\mathbf{M}_{1} - \mathbf{M}_{0})$$
$$= \operatorname{vec}(\mathbf{M}_{1} - \mathbf{M}_{0})^{T} \operatorname{vec}(\mathbf{U}_{1}^{-1} (\mathbf{M}_{1} - \mathbf{M}_{0}) \mathbf{V}_{1}^{-1})$$
$$= \operatorname{tr}\left(\left(\mathbf{M}_{1} - \mathbf{M}_{0}\right)^{T} \mathbf{U}_{1}^{-1} (\mathbf{M}_{1} - \mathbf{M}_{0}) \mathbf{V}_{1}^{-1}\right)$$
(2)

$$t_{c} = \log \frac{|\mathbf{V}_{1} \otimes \mathbf{U}_{1}|}{|\mathbf{V}_{0} \otimes \mathbf{U}_{0}|}$$
  
=  $\log \frac{|\mathbf{U}_{1}|^{p} |\mathbf{V}_{1}|^{n}}{|\mathbf{U}_{0}|^{p} |\mathbf{V}_{0}|^{n}}$   
=  $p \log |\mathbf{U}_{1}| + n \log |\mathbf{V}_{1}| - p \log |\mathbf{U}_{0}| - n \log |\mathbf{V}_{0}|$  (3)

So putting everything together we have that:

$$KL(\mathcal{MN}_0, \mathcal{MN}_1) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \operatorname{tr}(\mathbf{U}_1^{-1}\mathbf{U}_0) \operatorname{tr}(\mathbf{V}_1^{-1}\mathbf{V}_0) + \operatorname{tr}\left( (\mathbf{M}_1 - \mathbf{M}_0)^T \mathbf{U}_1^{-1} (\mathbf{M}_1 - \mathbf{M}_0) \mathbf{V}_1^{-1} \right) - np + p \log |\mathbf{U}_1| + n \log |\mathbf{V}_1| - p \log |\mathbf{U}_0| - n \log |\mathbf{V}_0| \right)$$

$$(4)$$

## 2 Different toy dataset

We also performed an experiment with a different toy dataset that was employed in [2]. We generated 12 inputs from U[0, 0.6] and 8 inputs from U[0.8, 1]. We then transform those inputs via:

$$y_i = x_i + \epsilon_i + \sin(4(x_i + \epsilon_i)) + \sin(13(x_i + \epsilon_i))$$

where  $\epsilon_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 0.0009)$ . We continued in fitting four neural networks that had two hidden-layers with 50 units each. The first was trained with probabilistic back-propagation [1], and the remaining three with our model while varying the nonlinearities among the layers: we used ReLU, cosine and hyperbolic tangent activations. For our model we set the upper bound of the variational dropout rate to 0.2 and we used 2 pseudo data pairs for the input layer and 4 for the rest. The resulting predictive distributions can be seen at Figure 1.



Figure 1: Predictive distributions for the toy dataset. Grey areas correspond to  $\pm \{1, 2\}$  standard deviations around the mean function.

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