



Arithmetic Encoding of Markov Random Fields

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Motivation

- Markov random fields (MRFs) used to model images, gene networks, more
- MRFs extensively studied, many tools available
- Little work done into compressing MRFs
- Recent (lossy) bilevel image coder based on MRFs

Overview

- Arithmetic Encoding (AC) of acyclic MRF using Belief Propagation (BP)
- For cyclic MRF, AC encode a loop cutset - subset of sites whose removal leaves acyclic graph - then encode remainder using acyclic MRF method
- Encoding of loop cutset done with Local Conditioning (LC), a variant of BP
- New extension of LC to undirected graphs

Background: MRFs

- graph $G = (V, E)$
- alphabet \mathcal{X}
- random field $\mathbf{X} = \{X_i : i \in V\}$
- image $\mathbf{x} = \{x_i : i \in V\}$
- for $V \subset V$, X_V and x_V
- Markov Property



- potentials $\Psi_{ij} : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$, $\Psi_i : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$
 - Gibbs distribution
- $$p(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{Z} \prod_{(i,j) \in E} \Psi_{ij}(x_i, x_j) \prod_{i \in V} \Psi_i(x_i)$$
- $$Z = \sum_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}^V} p(\mathbf{x})$$
- $$Pr\{X_i = x_i | X_{V \setminus i} = x_{V \setminus i}\} = Pr\{X_i = x_i | X_{N(i)} = x_{N(i)}\}$$

Background: AC

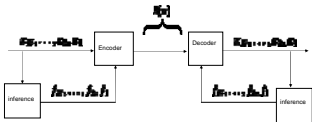
- order sites into scan
- coding distributions $\{f_i\}$

$$f_i(x_i) = \prod_{j \in N(i)} \Psi_{ij}(x_i, x_j)$$

- bit string length

$$l(x) = -\log \prod_{i \in V} f_i(x_i)$$

$$E[l(\mathbf{X})] = \sum_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}^V} p(\mathbf{x}) l(\mathbf{x}) = H(\mathbf{X}) + D(p||f)$$



- optimal coding

$$f_i(x_i) \hat{=} Pr\{X_i = x_i | X_{1:i-1} = x_{1:i-1}\}$$

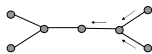
$$f_i = p_{i|1:i-1} \Rightarrow E[l(\mathbf{X})] = H(\mathbf{X})$$

Background: BP

- messages

$$m_{i \rightarrow j} = \sum_{x_i \in \mathcal{X}_i} \Psi_{ij}(x_i, x_j) \Psi_i(x_i)$$

$$m_{j \leftarrow i} = \sum_{x_j \in \mathcal{X}_j} \Psi_{ij}(x_i, x_j) \prod_{k \in N(j) \setminus i} m_{k \rightarrow j}$$



- beliefs

$$b_i(x_i) = \sum_{x_{N(i)}} \prod_{j \in N(i)} \Psi_{ij}(x_i, x_j) \Psi_i(x_i)$$

$$p(x_i) \propto b_i(x_i)$$

$$Z_i(x_i) = \prod_{j \in N(i)} \Psi_{ij}(x_i, x_j) \prod_{k \in N(i) \setminus j} m_{k \rightarrow j}$$

- messages and beliefs are vectors

- complexity $\mathcal{O}(K^2)$

AC Encoding an Acyclic MRF

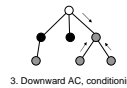
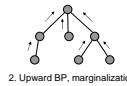
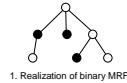
- connected scan - parent already encoded
- in tree, conditioning on parent optimal

$$f_i(x_i) = \prod_{j \in N(i)} \Psi_{ij}(x_i, x_j) \Psi_i(x_i)$$

Proposition 0.1 Let $\pi = (\pi_1, \dots, \pi_n)$ be an image from an acyclic MRF. If the scan is connected, then

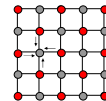
$$p_{\pi}(x) = \frac{\prod_{(i,j) \in E} \Psi_{ij}(x_i, x_j) \prod_{i \in V} \Psi_i(x_i)}{\sum_{x_{\setminus \pi} \in \mathcal{X}^{\setminus \pi}} \prod_{(i,j) \in E} \Psi_{ij}(x_i, x_j) \prod_{i \in V} \Psi_i(x_i)}$$

- two-pass algorithm: upward BP, downward AC



AC Encoding a Cyclic MRF

- encode loop cutset \mathcal{L}
 - scan cutset nodes
 - use Local Conditioning [Diez] to compute $\{f_i : i \in \mathcal{L}\}$
- encode (acyclic) remainder $\mathcal{X} \setminus \mathcal{L}$ conditioned on
 - \mathcal{L} fixed, modify self-potentials $\Psi_i(x_i) = \Psi(x_i, x_{\mathcal{L}})$, $i \in \mathcal{L}$
 - run BP, compute $\{m_{i \rightarrow j} : i, j \in \mathcal{L}\}$



Encoding a Loop Cutset

- Global Conditioning [Pearl]: condition on all possible values of $\mathbf{X}_{\mathcal{L}}$
- conditional messages and beliefs (large arrays)

$$m_{i \rightarrow j}^{\mathcal{L}} = [m_{i \rightarrow j}^{\mathcal{L}} : x_{\mathcal{L}} \in \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{L}}]$$

$$b_i^{\mathcal{L}} = [b_i^{\mathcal{L}} : x_{\mathcal{L}} \in \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{L}}]$$

- compute beliefs $b_i(x_i) = \sum_{x_{\mathcal{L}} \in \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{L}}} b_i^{\mathcal{L}}(x_i, x_{\mathcal{L}})$

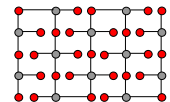
- unwrapped graph

- for $i \in \mathcal{L}$ multiple copies $\{i^{(a)} : a \in \mathcal{A}_i\}$

- modify self-potentials $\Psi_{i^{(a)}}(x_i) = \Psi_i^{(a)}(x_i, x_{\mathcal{L}})$

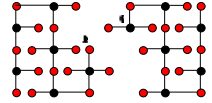
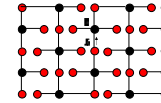
- complexity $\mathcal{O}(K^{|\mathcal{L}|+1})$

- use LC to reduce complexity



Local Conditioning for undirected graphs:

- consider message from i to j

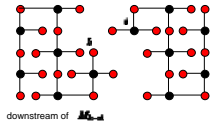


- downstream nodes

Theorem 0.2 Let i be a loop cutset node and let x_i and $x_{\setminus i}$ be configurations such that $x_{\setminus i} = x_{\setminus i}$ and $x_i \neq x_i$. If all copies i are downstream of $M_{i, \setminus i}$, then

$$m_{i \rightarrow j}^{\setminus i} = m_{i \rightarrow j}^i$$

$M_{i, \setminus i}$ = loop cutset nodes all copies of which downstream



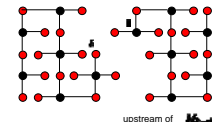
- upstream nodes

- "summed out" messages

$$m_{i \rightarrow j}^{\setminus i} = \sum_{x_i \in \mathcal{X}_i} \sum_{x_{\setminus i} \in \mathcal{X}_{\setminus i}} \Psi_{ij}(x_i, x_j) \prod_{k \in N(i) \setminus j} m_{k \rightarrow i}^{\setminus i}(x_i, x_{\setminus i})$$

Proposition 0.3 If all copies of conditioning node $i \in \mathcal{L}$ are upstream of edge $M_{i, \setminus i}$, then the belief b_i and any outgoing conditional self-messages $m_{i \rightarrow i}^{\setminus i}$ can be computed with the iteratively summed out messages $\{m_{k \rightarrow i}^{\setminus i}\}$.

$M_{i, \setminus i}$ = loop cutset nodes all copies of which upstream



- relevant sets

- edge $\{i, j\}$ $\mathcal{R}_{ij} = \mathcal{L} \setminus \{i, j, N(i), N(j)\}$, $\mathcal{L} = \{i, j, N(i), N(j)\}$

- node i $\mathcal{R}_i = \bigcup_{j \in N(i)} \mathcal{R}_{ij}$

Theorem 0.4 The LC decoder (in matrix notation) are

$$x_i^{(a)} = x_i^{(a)} \oplus \prod_{j \in N(i)} m_{j \rightarrow i}^{\setminus i}(x_i^{(a)}, x_{\setminus i}^{(a)})$$

and

$$b_i^{(a)} = A_i \cdot \left[m_{i \rightarrow i}^{\setminus i}(x_i^{(a)}, x_{\setminus i}^{(a)}) \prod_{j \in N(i)} m_{j \rightarrow i}^{\setminus i}(x_i^{(a)}, x_{\setminus i}^{(a)}) \right] \cdot b_i$$

where b_i is $b_i(x_i) = \prod_{j \in N(i)} \Psi_{ij}(x_i, x_j) \prod_{k \in N(i) \setminus j} m_{k \rightarrow i}^{\setminus i}(x_i, x_{\setminus i})$

Theorem 0.5 The complexity of LC using loop cutset \mathcal{L} is $\mathcal{O}(K^{|\mathcal{L}|+1})$, where m is any the node of \mathcal{L} or

$$l(\mathcal{L}) = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{L}} |\mathcal{R}_i|$$

Theorem 0.6 Let \mathcal{L} be the standard loop cutset of m on $K \times K$ grid graph and let \mathcal{L}_m be the wrapped graph described above. The complexity of encoding \mathcal{L} with LC on \mathcal{L}_m is $\mathcal{O}(mK^{l(\mathcal{L})+1})$.

Conclusions/comments:

- Introduced problem of AC encoding MRF
- General method for AC encoding acyclic or cyclic MRF
- Extended LC to undirected graphs, give complexity formula

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