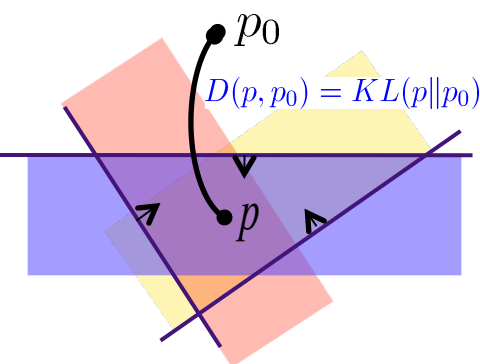
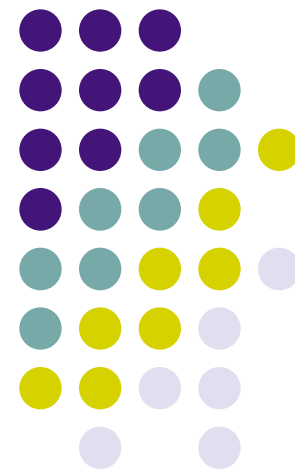




# Probabilistic Graphical Models

## Posterior Regularization: an integrative paradigm for learning GMs

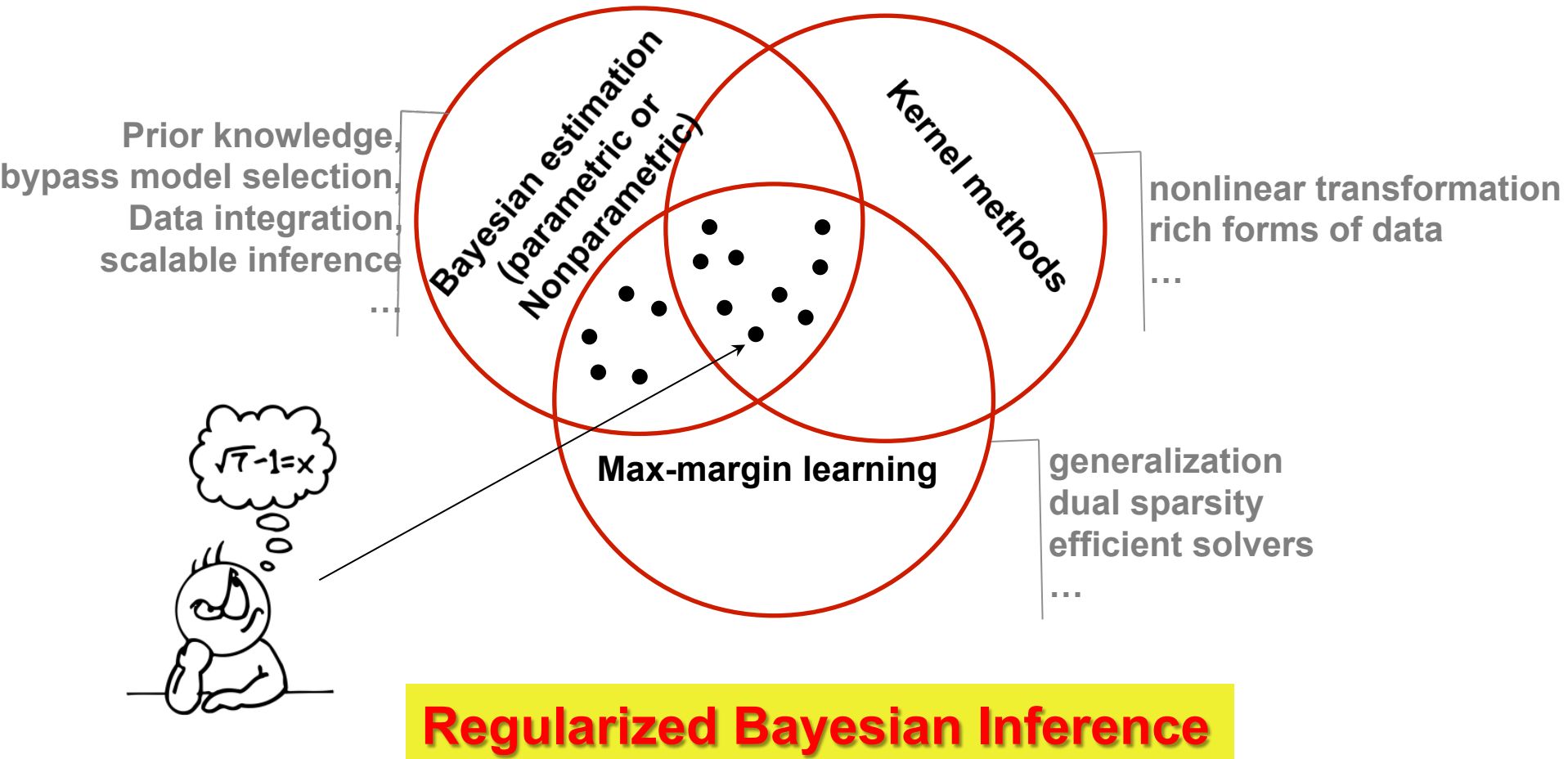
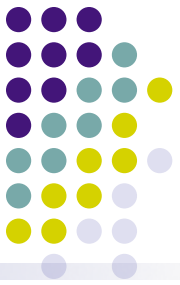


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**April 13, 2016**

Reading: Zhu, Chen, & Xing (2014)

# Learning GMs



# Bayesian Inference



- A coherent framework of dealing with uncertainties

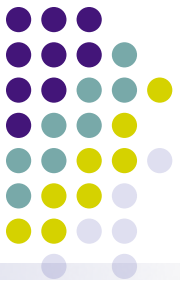
$$p(\mathcal{M}|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{M})\pi(\mathcal{M})}{\int p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{M})\pi(\mathcal{M})d\mathcal{M}}$$

- $M$ : a model from some hypothesis space
- $\mathbf{x}$ : observed data



Thomas Bayes (1702 – 1761)

- Bayes' rule offers a mathematically rigorous computational mechanism for combining prior knowledge with incoming evidence



# Parametric Bayesian Inference

$\mathcal{M}$  is represented as a finite set of parameters  $\theta$

- ◆ A **parametric** likelihood:  $\mathbf{x} \sim p(\cdot|\theta)$
- ◆ Prior on  $\theta$ :  $\pi(\theta)$
- ◆ Posterior distribution

$$p(\theta|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x}|\theta)\pi(\theta)}{\int p(\mathbf{x}|\theta)\pi(\theta)d\theta} \propto p(\mathbf{x}|\theta)\pi(\theta)$$

## Examples:

- Gaussian distribution prior + 2D Gaussian likelihood → Gaussian posterior distribution
- Dirichlet distribution prior + 2D Multinomial likelihood → Dirichlet posterior distribution
- Sparsity-inducing priors + some likelihood models → Sparse Bayesian inference

# Nonparametric Bayesian Inference



$\mathcal{M}$  is a richer model, e.g., with an infinite set of parameters

- ◆ A **nonparametric** likelihood:  $\mathbf{x} \sim p(\cdot|\mathcal{M})$
- ◆ Prior on  $\mathcal{M}$ :  $\pi(\mathcal{M})$
- ◆ Posterior distribution

$$p(\mathcal{M}|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{M})\pi(\mathcal{M})}{\int p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{M})\pi(\mathcal{M})d\mathcal{M}} \propto p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{M})\pi(\mathcal{M})$$

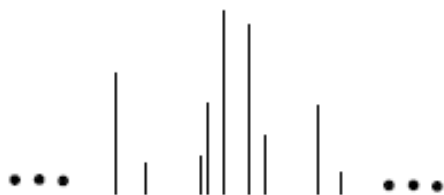
**Examples:**

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# Nonparametric Bayesian Inference



probability measure



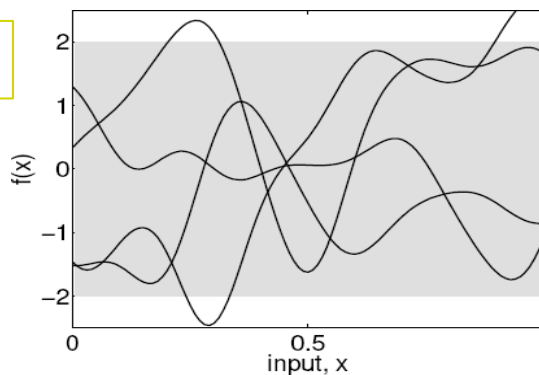
binary matrix

$z_1$	0	1	0	...
$z_2$	1	1	0	...
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$z_n$	0	1	1	...

Dirichlet Process Prior [Antoniak, 1974]  
+ Multinomial/Gaussian/Softmax likelihood

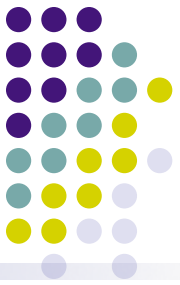
Indian Buffet Process Prior [Griffiths & Ghahramani, 2005]  
+ Gaussian/Sigmoid/Softmax likelihood

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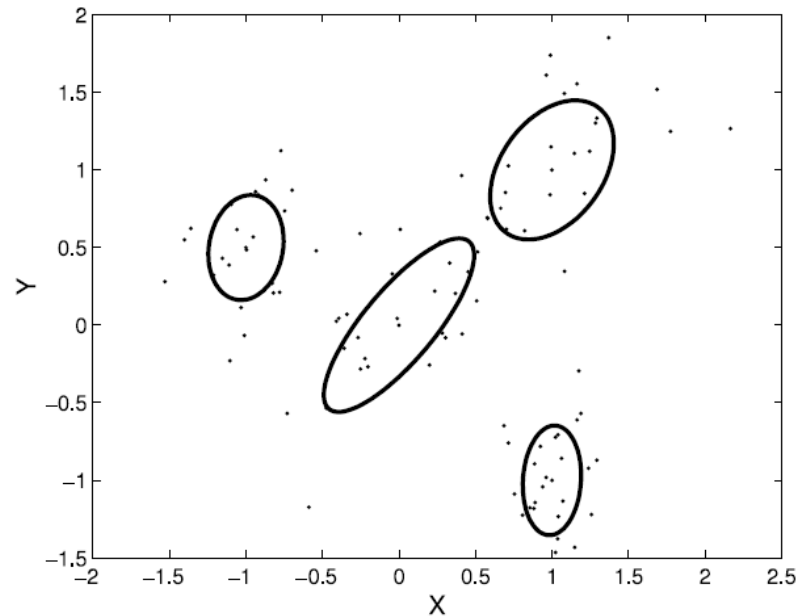


Gaussian Process Prior [Doob, 1944; Rasmussen & Williams, 2006]  
+ Gaussian/Sigmoid/Softmax likelihood

# Why Bayesian Nonparametrics?



- Let the data speak for themselves
- Bypass the model selection problem
  - let data determine model complexity (e.g., the number of components in mixture models)
  - allow model complexity to grow as more data observed



# Can we further control the posterior distributions?



posterior                      likelihood model                      prior

$$p(\mathcal{M}|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{M})\pi(\mathcal{M})}{\int p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{M})\pi(\mathcal{M})d\mathcal{M}}$$

It is desirable to further regularize the posterior distribution

- An extra freedom to perform Bayesian inference
- Arguably more direct to control the behavior of models
- Can be easier and more natural in some examples



# Can we further control the posterior distributions?

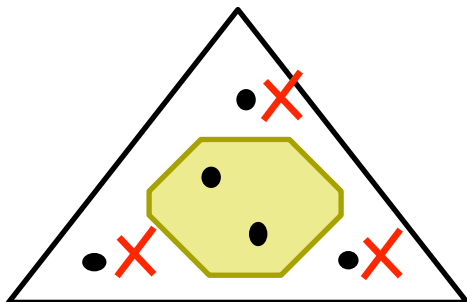


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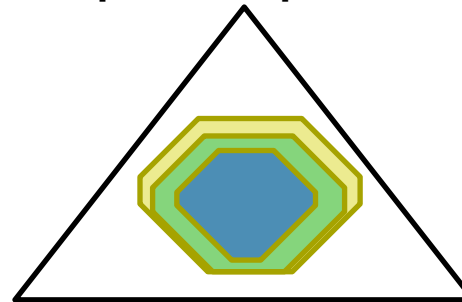
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- Directly control the posterior distributions?
  - Not obvious how ...

**hard constraints**  
(A single feasible space)



**soft constraints**  
(many feasible subspaces with different complexities/penalties)



# A reformulation of Bayesian inference



posterior                      likelihood model                      prior

$$p(\mathcal{M}|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{M})\pi(\mathcal{M})}{\int p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{M})\pi(\mathcal{M})d\mathcal{M}}$$

- Bayes' rule is equivalent to:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{p(\mathcal{M})} \quad & \text{KL}(p(\mathcal{M})||\pi(\mathcal{M})) - \mathbb{E}_{p(\mathcal{M})}[\log p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{M})] \\ \text{s.t. : } \quad & p(\mathcal{M}) \in \mathcal{P}_{\text{prob}}, \end{aligned}$$

**A direct but trivial constraint on the posterior distribution**

**E.T. Jaynes (1988): “this fresh interpretation of Bayes’ theorem could make the use of Bayesian methods more attractive and widespread, and stimulate new developments in the general theory of inference”**

[Zellner, Am. Stat. 1988]

# Regularized Bayesian Inference

(Ganchev et al.'10)



$$\begin{aligned} \inf_{q(\mathbf{M}), \xi} \quad & \text{KL}(q(\mathbf{M}) \parallel \pi(\mathbf{M})) - \int_{\mathcal{M}} \log p(\mathcal{D} | \mathbf{M}) q(\mathbf{M}) d\mathbf{M} + U(\xi) \\ \text{s.t. : } & q(\mathbf{M}) \in \mathcal{P}_{\text{post}}(\xi), \end{aligned}$$

where, **e.x.**,

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{post}}(\xi) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left\{ q(\mathbf{M}) \mid \forall t = 1, \dots, T, \ h(Eq(\psi_t; \mathcal{D})) \leq \xi_t \right\},$$

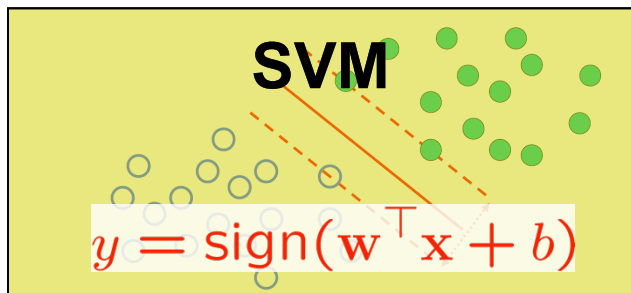
and

$$U(\xi) = \sum_{t=1}^T \mathbb{I}(\xi_t = \gamma_t) = \mathbb{I}(\xi = \gamma)$$

Solving such constrained optimization problem needs convex duality theory

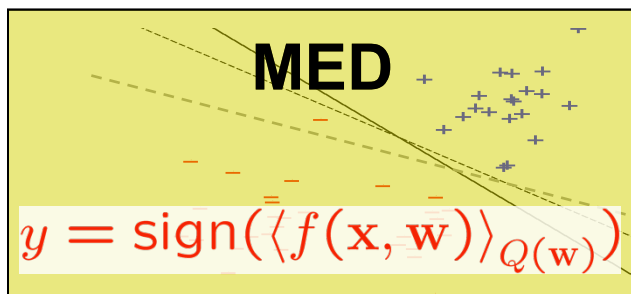
So, where do the constraints come from?

# Recall our evolution of the Max-Margin Learning Paradigms



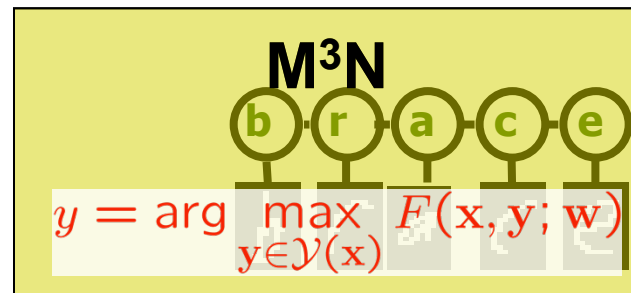
$$\min_{\mathbf{w}, \xi} \quad \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^m \xi_i$$

$$y^i(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}^i + b) \geq 1 - \xi_i, \quad \forall i$$



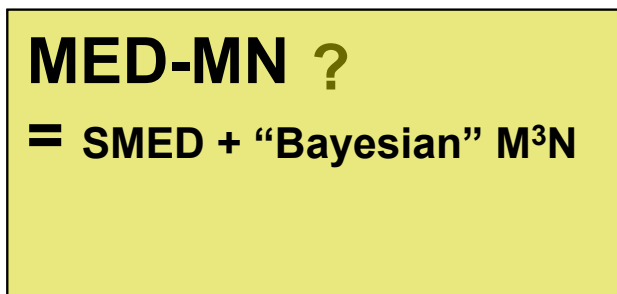
$$\min_Q \quad \text{KL}(Q \| Q_0)$$

$$y^i \langle f(\mathbf{x}^i) \rangle_Q \geq \xi_i, \quad \forall i$$



$$\min_{\mathbf{w}, \xi} \quad \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^m \xi_i$$

$$\mathbf{w}^\top [f(\mathbf{x}^i, y^i) - f(\mathbf{x}^i, y)] \geq \ell(y^i, y) - \xi_i, \quad \forall i, \forall y \neq y^i$$



# Maximum Entropy Discrimination Markov Networks



- Structured MaxEnt Discrimination (SMED):

$$P1 : \min_{p(\mathbf{w}), \xi} KL(p(\mathbf{w}) || p_0(\mathbf{w})) + U(\xi)$$

$$\text{s.t. } p(\mathbf{w}) \in \mathcal{F}_1, \xi_i \geq 0, \forall i.$$

*generalized maximum entropy or regularized KL-divergence*

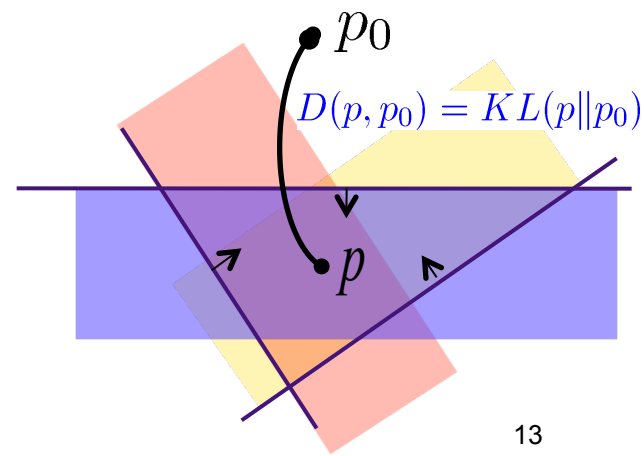
- Feasible subspace of weight distribution:

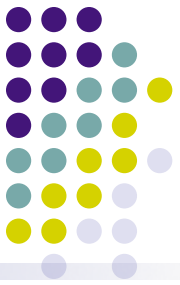
$$\mathcal{F}_1 = \{p(\mathbf{w}) : \int p(\mathbf{w}) [\Delta F_i(\mathbf{y}; \mathbf{w}) - \Delta \ell_i(\mathbf{y})] d\mathbf{w} \geq -\xi_i, \forall i, \forall \mathbf{y} \neq \mathbf{y}^i\},$$

*expected margin constraints.*

- Average from distribution of M<sup>3</sup>Ns

$$h_1(\mathbf{x}; p(\mathbf{w})) = \arg \max_{\mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{Y}(\mathbf{x})} \int p(\mathbf{w}) F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}; \mathbf{w}) d\mathbf{w}$$





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**Can we use this scheme to learn  
models other than MN?**



# Recall the 3 advantages of MEDN

- An averaging Model: PAC-Bayesian prediction error guarantee (Theorem 3)

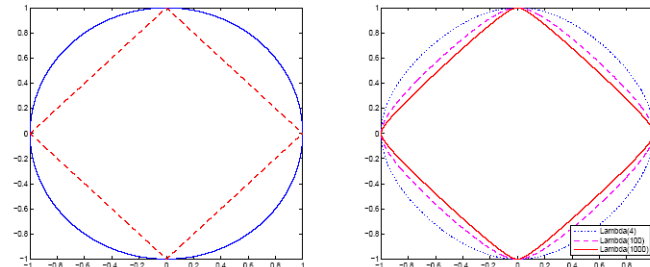
$$\Pr_Q(M(h, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \leq 0) \leq \Pr_{\mathcal{D}}(M(h, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \leq \gamma) + O\left(\sqrt{\frac{\gamma^{-2} KL(p||p_0) \ln(N|\mathcal{Y}|) + \ln N + \ln \delta^{-1}}{N}}\right).$$

- Entropy regularization: Introducing useful biases

- Standard Normal prior => reduction to standard  $M^3N$  (we've seen it)
- Laplace prior => Posterior shrinkage effects (sparse  $M^3N$ )

$$\min_{\mu, \xi} \sqrt{\lambda} \sum_{k=1}^K \left( \sqrt{\mu_k^2 + \frac{1}{\lambda}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda}} \log \frac{\sqrt{\lambda \mu_k^2 + 1} + 1}{2} \right) + C \sum_{i=1}^N \xi_i$$

$$\text{s.t. } \mu^\top \Delta \mathbf{f}_i(\mathbf{y}) \geq \Delta \ell_i(\mathbf{y}) - \xi_i; \quad \xi_i \geq 0, \quad \forall i, \forall \mathbf{y} \neq \mathbf{y}^i.$$



- Integrating Generative and Discriminative principles (next class)

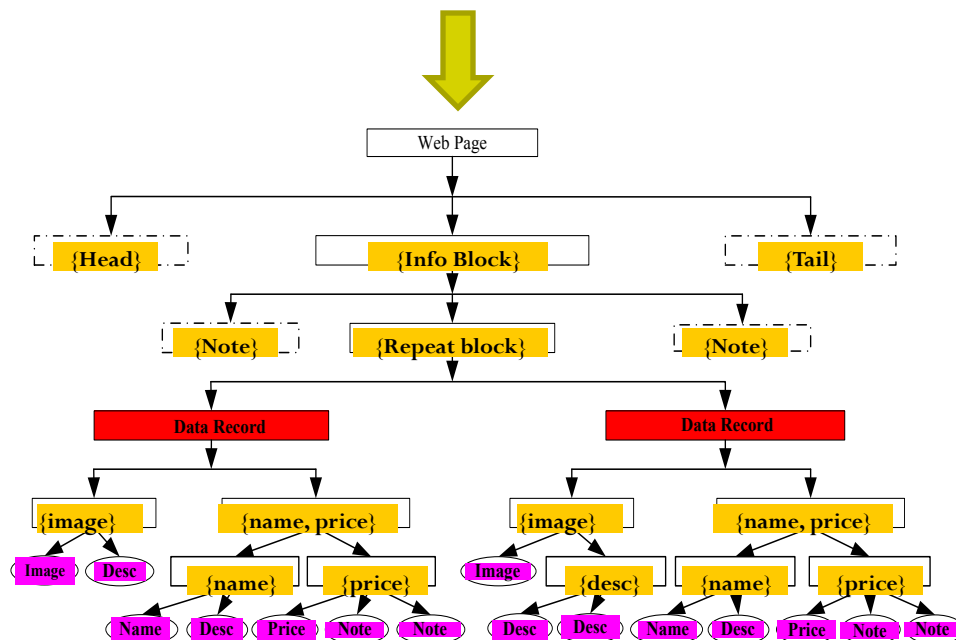
- Incorporate latent variables and structures (PoMEN)
- Semisupervised learning (with partially labeled data)

# Latent Hierarchical MaxEnDNet

- Web data extraction
  - Goal: *Name, Image, Price, Description, etc.*



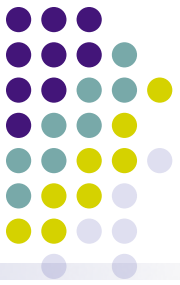
- Hierarchical labeling
- Advantages:
  - Computational efficiency
  - Long-range dependency
  - Joint extraction





# Partially Observed MaxEnDNet (PoMEN)

(Zhu et al, NIPS 2008)



- Now we are given partially labeled data:  $\mathcal{D} = \{ \langle \mathbf{x}^i, \mathbf{y}^i, \mathbf{z}^i \rangle \}_{i=1}^N$

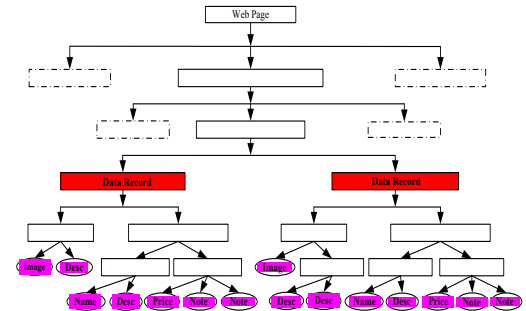
- PoMEN: learning  $p(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{z})$

P2(PoMEN) :

$$\min_{p(\mathbf{w}, \{\mathbf{z}\}), \xi} KL(p(\mathbf{w}, \{\mathbf{z}\}) || p_0(\mathbf{w}, \{\mathbf{z}\})) + U(\xi)$$

s.t.  $p(\mathbf{w}, \{\mathbf{z}\}) \in \mathcal{F}_2, \xi_i \geq 0, \forall i.$

$$\mathcal{F}_2 = \{ p(\mathbf{w}, \{\mathbf{z}\}) : \sum_{\mathbf{z}} \int p(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{z}) [\Delta F_i(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}; \mathbf{w}) - \Delta \ell_i(\mathbf{y})] d\mathbf{w} \geq -\xi_i, \forall i, \forall \mathbf{y} \neq \mathbf{y}^i \},$$



- Prediction:  $h_2(\mathbf{x}) = \arg \max_{\mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{Y}(\mathbf{x})} \sum_{\mathbf{z}} \int p(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{z}) F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}; \mathbf{w}) d\mathbf{w}$

# Alternating Minimization Alg.



- Factorization assumption:

$$p_0(\mathbf{w}, \{\mathbf{z}\}) = p_0(\mathbf{w}) \prod_{i=1}^N p_0(\mathbf{z}_i) \quad p(\mathbf{w}, \{\mathbf{z}\}) = p(\mathbf{w}) \prod_{i=1}^N p(\mathbf{z}_i)$$

- Alternating minimization:

- Step 1: keep  $p(\mathbf{z})$  fixed, optimize over  $p(\mathbf{w})$

$$\min_{p(\mathbf{w}), \xi} KL(p(\mathbf{w}) || p_0(\mathbf{w})) + C \sum_i \xi_i$$

$$\text{s.t. } p(\mathbf{w}) \in \mathcal{F}'_1, \xi_i \geq 0, \forall i.$$

$$\mathcal{F}'_1 = \{p(\mathbf{w}) : \int p(\mathbf{w}) E_{p(\mathbf{z})} [\Delta F_i(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}; \mathbf{w}) - \Delta \ell_i(\mathbf{y})] d\mathbf{w} \geq -\xi_i, \forall i, \forall \mathbf{y}\}$$

- Normal prior

- M<sup>3</sup>N problem (QP)

- Laplace prior

- Laplace M<sup>3</sup>N problem (VB)

- Step 2: keep  $p(\mathbf{w})$  fixed, optimize over  $p(\mathbf{z})$

$$\min_{p(\mathbf{z}), \xi} KL(p(\mathbf{z}) || p_0(\mathbf{z})) + C \xi_i$$

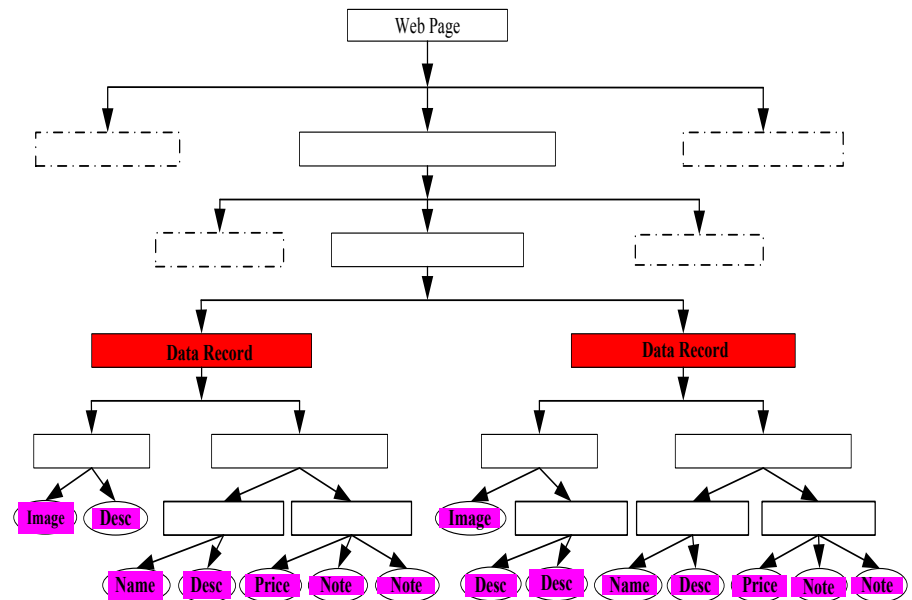
$$\text{s.t. } p(\mathbf{z}) \in \mathcal{F}_1^*, \xi_i \geq 0.$$

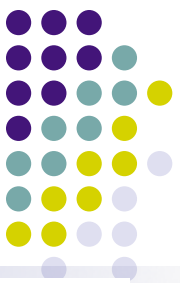
$$\mathcal{F}_1^* = \{p(\mathbf{z}) : \sum_{\mathbf{z}} p(\mathbf{z}) \int p(\mathbf{w}) [\Delta F_i(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}; \mathbf{w}) - \Delta \ell_i(\mathbf{y})] d\mathbf{w} \geq -\xi_i, \forall i, \forall \mathbf{y}\}$$

Equivalently reduced to an LP with a polynomial number of constraints

# Experimental Results

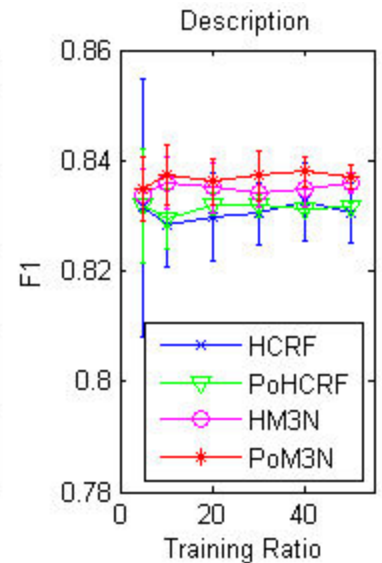
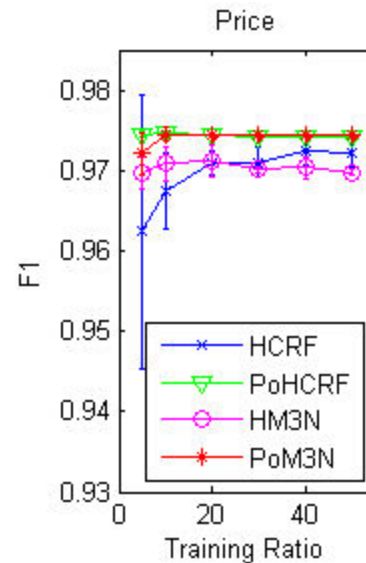
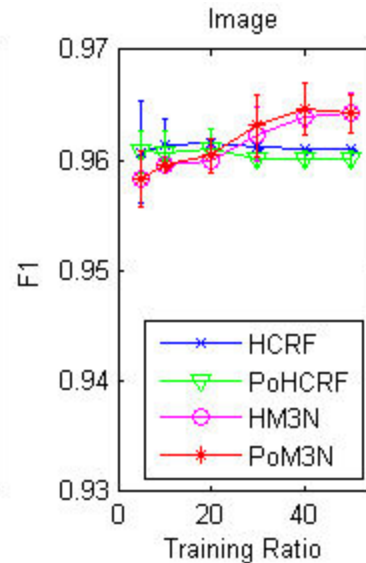
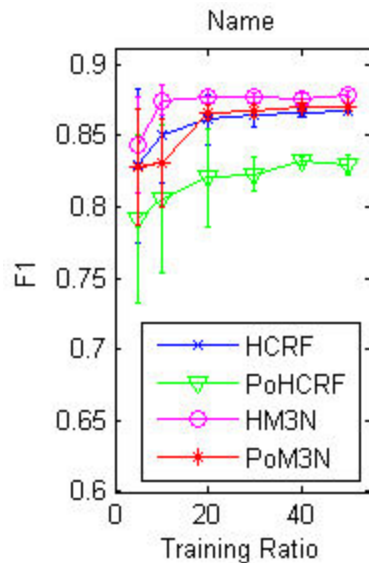
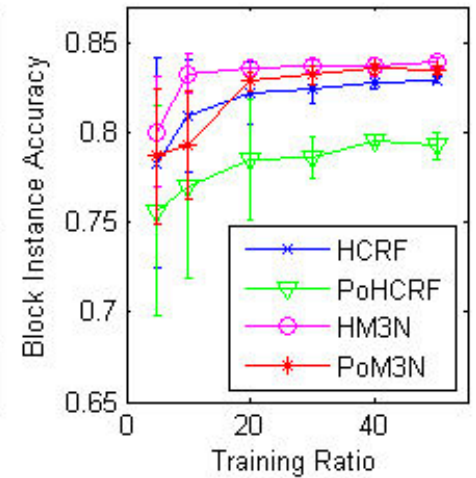
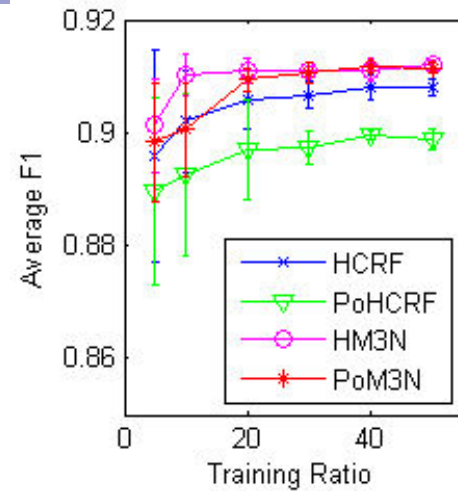
- Web data extraction:
  - *Name, Image, Price, Description*
  - Methods:
    - Hierarchical CRFs, Hierarchical M<sup>3</sup>N
    - PoMEN, Partially observed HCRFs
  - Pages from 37 templates
    - Training: 185 (5/per template) pages, or 1585 data records
    - Testing: 370 (10/per template) pages, or 3391 data records
  - Record-level Evaluation
    - Leaf nodes are labeled
  - Page-level Evaluation
    - Supervision Level 1:
      - Leaf nodes and data record nodes are labeled
    - Supervision Level 2:
      - Level 1 + the nodes above data record nodes





# Record-Level Evaluations

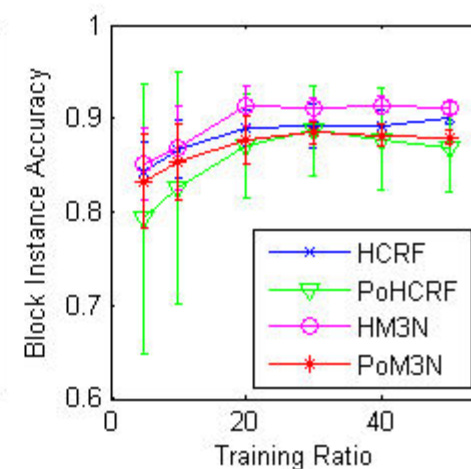
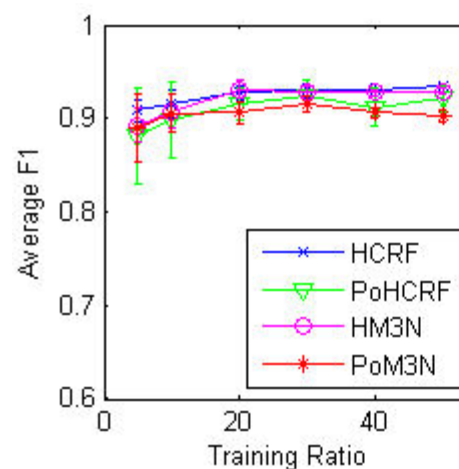
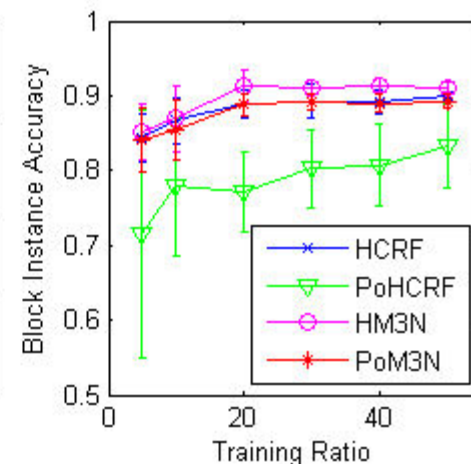
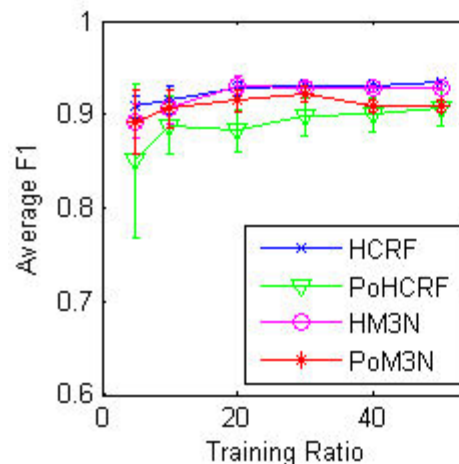
- Overall performance:
  - Avg F1:
    - avg F1 over all attributes
  - Block instance accuracy:
    - % of records whose *Name*, *Image*, and *Price* are correct
- Attribute performance:



# Page-Level Evaluations



- Supervision Level 1:
  - Leaf nodes and data record nodes are labeled
- Supervision Level 2:
  - Level 1 + the nodes above data record nodes



# Key message from PoMEN



- Structured MaxEnt Discrimination (SMED):

$$P1 : \min_{p(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{z}), \xi} \boxed{KL(p(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{z}) || p_0(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{z})) + U(\xi)}$$

$$, \quad \text{s.t. } p(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{z}) \in \mathcal{F}_1, \quad \xi_i \geq 0, \forall i.$$

*generalized maximum entropy or regularized KL-divergence*

- Feasible subspace of weight distribution:

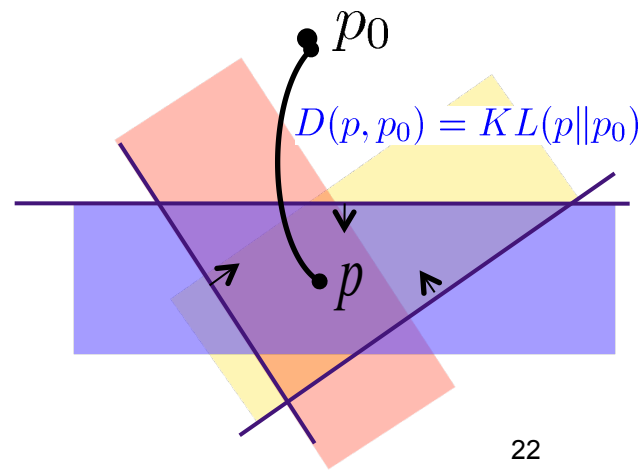
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*expected margin constraints.*

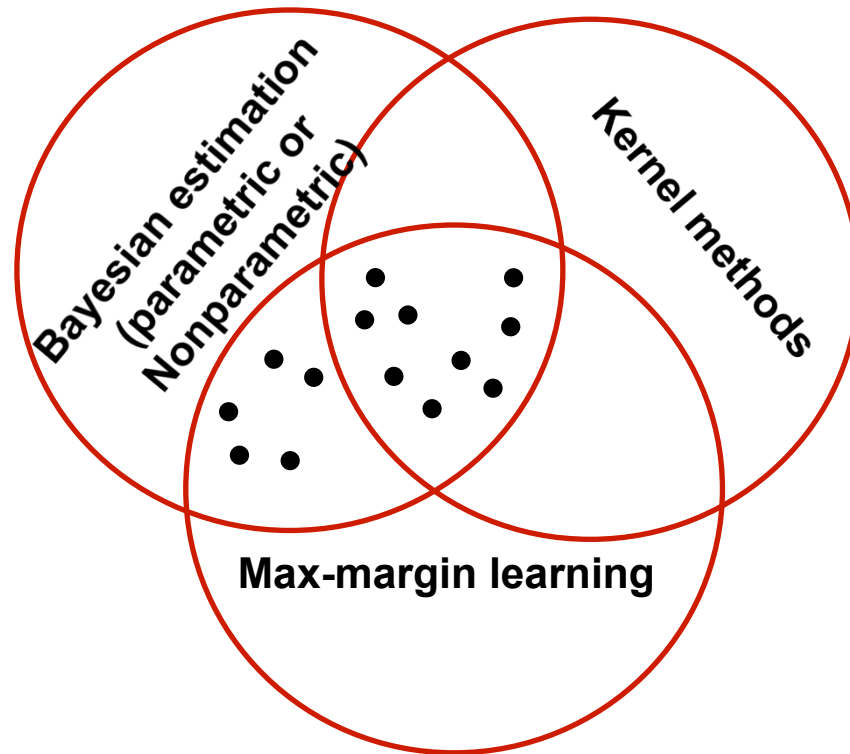
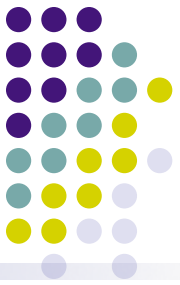
- Average from distribution of PoMENs

$$h(\mathbf{x}) = \arg \max_{\mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{Y}(\mathbf{x})} \int \int p(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{z}) F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}; \mathbf{w}) d\mathbf{w} d\mathbf{z}$$

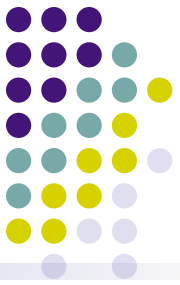
- We can use this for any  $p$  and  $p_0$  !**



# An all inclusive paradigm for learning general GM --- RegBayes



$$\begin{aligned} \inf_{q(\mathbf{M}), \xi} & \text{KL}(q(\mathbf{M}) \parallel \pi(\mathbf{M})) - \int_{\mathcal{M}} \log p(\mathcal{D} | \mathbf{M}) q(\mathbf{M}) d\mathbf{M} + U(\xi) \\ \text{s.t. : } & q(\mathbf{M}) \in \mathcal{P}_{\text{post}}(\xi), \end{aligned}$$



# Predictive Latent Subspace Learning via a large-margin approach

**... where  $M$  is any subspace model and  $p$  is a  
parametric Bayesian prior**



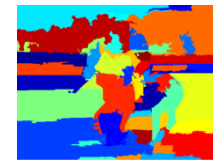
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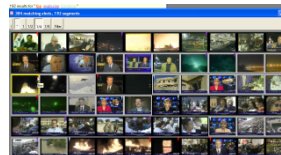
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- The diagram illustrates a graphical model for object classification. It features several interconnected nodes representing different levels of information:
- object distr. per class:** A node labeled  $C$  at the top, which influences the **image regions** node  $O$ .
  - image regions:** A central node labeled  $O$  that receives input from  $C$  and is influenced by **region texture distr. per object** ( $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ) and **patch distr. per object** ( $\gamma$ ,  $\phi$ ,  $\theta$ ).
  - image:** A large box labeled **image** containing nodes  $S$ ,  $T$ , and  $Z$ . It is also labeled with **tags** and  $D$ .
  - tags:** A node labeled  $S$  that is influenced by **switch distr. per object** ( $\gamma$ ) and **tag distr. given concept (s=non-visual)** ( $\phi$ ).
  - switch distr. per object:** A node labeled  $\gamma$  that influences  $S$ .
  - tag distr. given concept (s=non-visual):** A node labeled  $\phi$  that influences  $S$ .
  - tag distr. per object (s=visual):** A node labeled  $\theta$  that influences  $T$ .
  - patch distr. per object:** A node labeled  $\gamma$ ,  $\phi$ , and  $\theta$  that influences  $Z$ .
  - region texture distr. per object:** Nodes labeled  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  that influence  $O$ .
- Arrows indicate the direction of influence between these variables.








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Saddle



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- The diagram illustrates a bipartite graph structure. The top layer contains nodes  $H_1, \dots, H_K$ . The bottom layer contains nodes  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_M$  and  $Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_M$ . Solid lines connect  $H_i$  to  $X_j$  and  $Z_j$ . Dashed lines connect  $H_i$  to  $X_j$  and  $Z_j$ .



$T_1$	storms gulf hawaii low forecast south jet showers	
$T_2$	rebounds 14 shooting tests guard cut hawks	
$T_3$	engine flying craft asteroid say hour aerodynamic	
$T_4$	safe cross red sure dry providing services	
$T_5$	losing jersey sixth antonio david york orlando	

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# Predictive Subspace Learning with Supervision



- Unsupervised latent subspace representations are generic but can be sub-optimal for predictions
- Many datasets are available with supervised side information

- Tripadvisor Hotel Review**  
(<http://www.tripadvisor.com>)

“Lovely welcoming staff, good rooms that give a good nights sleep, downtown location”  
**Meramees Hostel**

SheikhSahib 10 contributions  
London

Jul 7, 2009 | Trip type: Friends getaway

This hotel is just off the side streets of Talat Harb, one of the main arteries to downtown Cairo. It is walking distance to the Nile, riverfront hotels, Egyptian Museum, and there are many eateries in the area at night when it is still bustling. Only a short cab ride away from the Old Fatimid Cairo.

The staff are young and very friendly and able to sort out things like mobile chargers, internet, and they have skype installed on their computers which is brilliant. The rooms are nicer than the Luna (nearby) and much quieter as well.

**My ratings for this hotel**

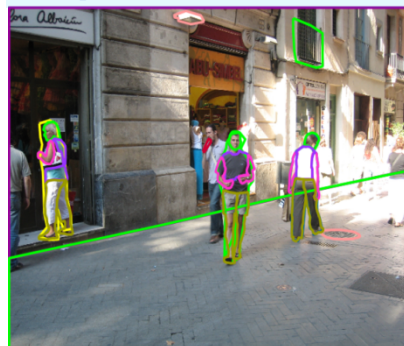
Value: 5/5  
Rooms: 5/5  
Location: 5/5  
Cleanliness: 5/5

Service: 5/5

Date of stay February 2009  
Visit was for Leisure  
Traveled with With Friends  
Member since July 03, 2009  
Would you recommend this hotel to a friend? Yes

- LabelMe**

(<http://labelme.csail.mit.edu/>)



woman entering shop  
man walking towards camera  
balcony rail  
building  
sidewalk  
manhole  
light  
person woman walking  
ice cream  
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arm  
torso

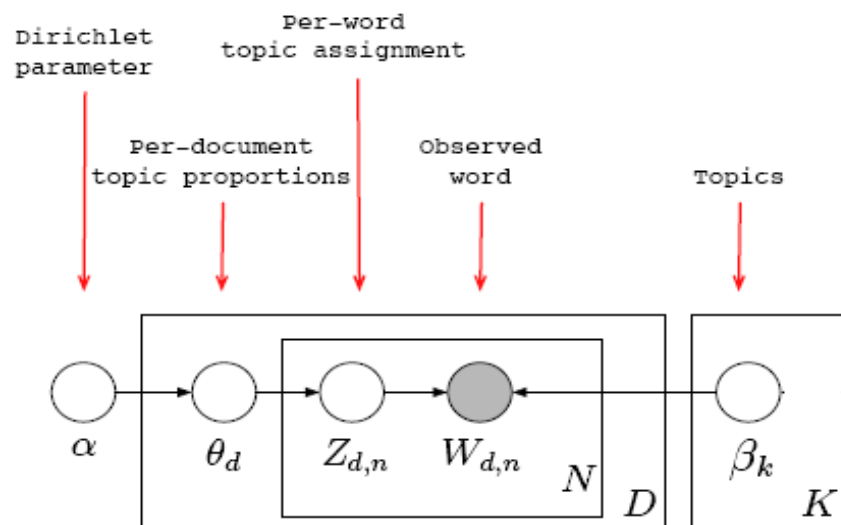
- Many others

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- Can be noisy, but not random noise (Ames & Naaman, 2007)
  - labels & rating scores are usually assigned based on some intrinsic property of the data
  - helpful to suppress noise and capture the most useful aspects of the data
- Goals:
  - Discover latent subspace representations that are both **predictive** and **interpretable** by exploring weak supervision information

# I. LDA: Latent Dirichlet Allocation

(Blei et al., 2003)



- **Generative Procedure:**
  - **For each document  $d$ :**
    - Sample a topic proportion  $\theta_d \sim \text{Dir}(\alpha)$
    - **For each word:**
      - Sample a topic  $Z_{d,n} \sim \text{Mult}(\theta_d)$
      - Sample a word  $W_{d,n} \sim \text{Mult}(\beta_{z_{d,n}})$

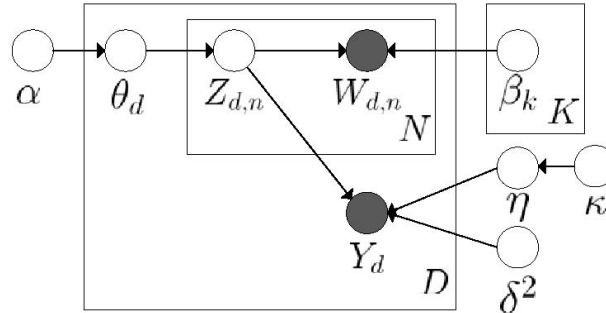
- Joint Distribution:  $p(\theta, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{W} | \alpha, \beta) = \prod_{d=1}^D p(\theta_d | \alpha) \left( \prod_{n=1}^N p(z_{dn} | \theta_d) p(w_{dn} | z_{dn}, \beta) \right)$   
**exact inference intractable!**
- Variational Inference with  $q(\mathbf{z}, \theta) \sim p(\mathbf{z}, \theta | \mathbf{W}, \alpha, \beta)$ 
$$\mathcal{L}(q) \triangleq -E_q[\log p(\theta, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{W} | \alpha, \beta)] - \mathcal{H}(q(\mathbf{z}, \theta)) \geq -\log p(\mathbf{W} | \alpha, \beta)$$
- Minimize the variational bound to estimate parameters and infer the posterior distribution

# Maximum Entropy Discrimination LDA (MedLDA)

(Zhu et al, ICML 2009)



- Bayesian sLDA:



- MED Estimation:

- MedLDA Regression Model

$$\text{P1(MedLDA}^r\text{)} : \min_{q, \alpha, \beta, \delta^2, \xi, \xi^*} \mathcal{L}(q) + C \sum_{d=1}^D (\xi_d + \xi_d^*)$$

$$\text{s.t. } \forall d : \begin{cases} y_d - E[\eta^\top \bar{Z}_d] \leq \epsilon + \xi_d, \mu_d \\ -y_d + E[\eta^\top \bar{Z}_d] \leq \epsilon + \xi_d^*, \mu_d^* \\ \xi_d \geq 0, v_d \\ \xi_d^* \geq 0, v_d^* \end{cases}$$

model fitting

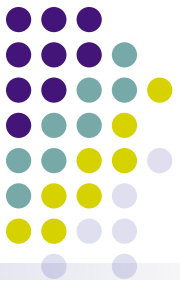
predictive accuracy

- MedLDA Classification Model

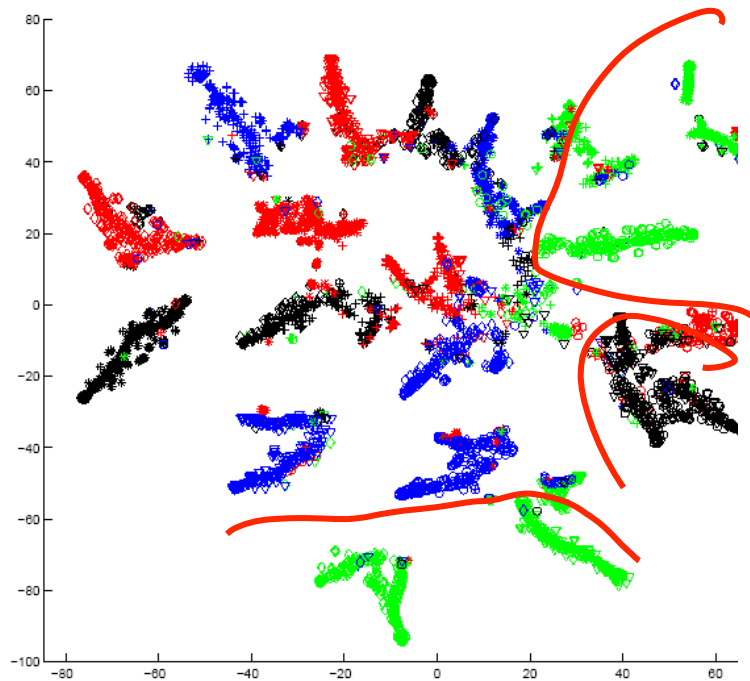
$$\text{P2(MedLDA}^c\text{)} : \min_{q, q(\eta), \alpha, \beta, \xi} \mathcal{L}(q) + C \sum_{d=1}^D \xi_d$$

$$\text{s.t. } \forall d, y \neq y_d : E[\eta^\top \Delta \mathbf{f}_d(y)] \geq 1 - \xi_d; \xi_d \geq 0.$$

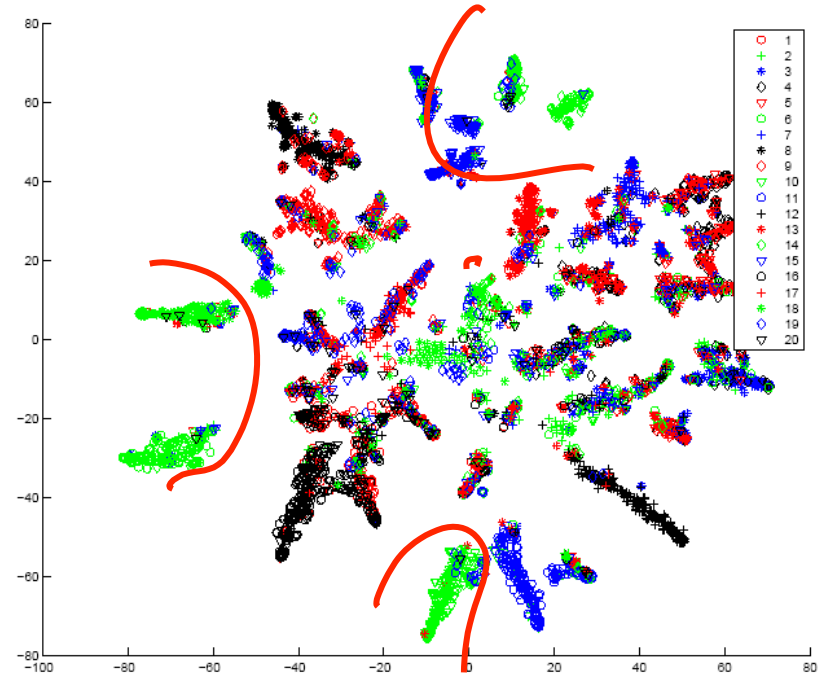
# Document Modeling



- Data Set: 20 Newsgroups
- 110 topics + 2D embedding with t-SNE (van der Maaten & Hinton, 2008)



**MedLDA**



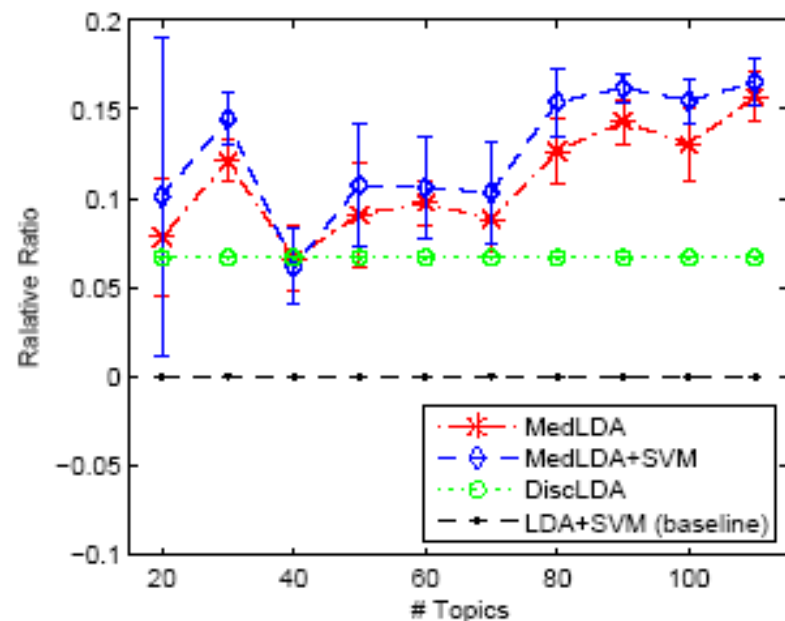
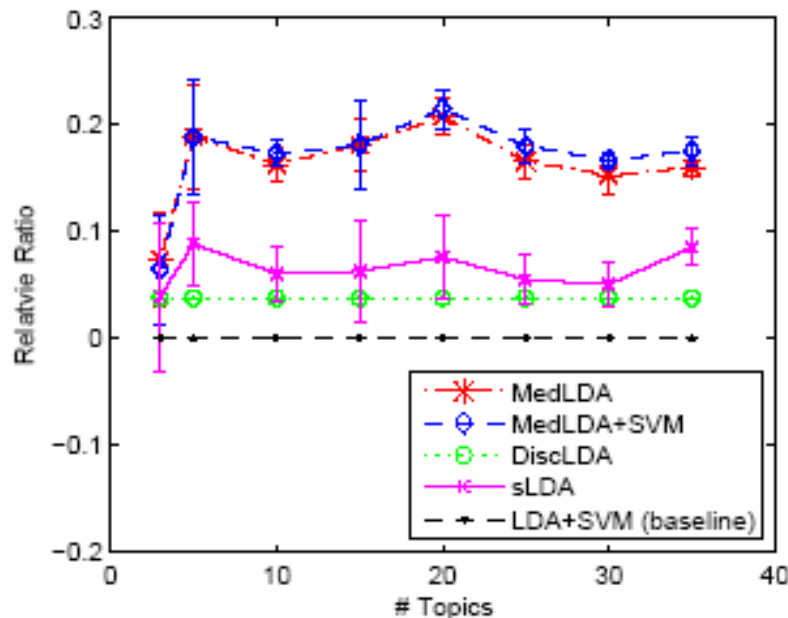
**LDA**



# Classification

- **Data Set:** 20Newsgroups
  - Binary classification: “alt.atheism” and “talk.religion.misc” (Simon et al., 2008)
  - Multiclass Classification: all the 20 categories
- **Models:** DiscLDA, sLDA (**Binary ONLY! Classification sLDA (Wang et al., 2009)**), LDA+SVM (baseline), MedLDA, MedLDA+SVM
- **Measure:** Relative Improvement Ratio

$$RR(\mathcal{M}) = \frac{precision(\mathcal{M})}{precision(LDA + SVM)} - 1$$

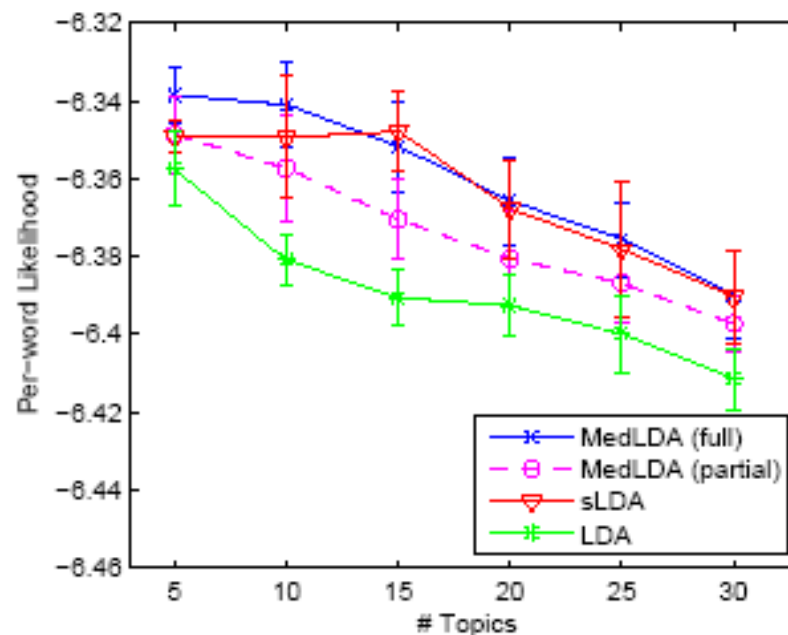
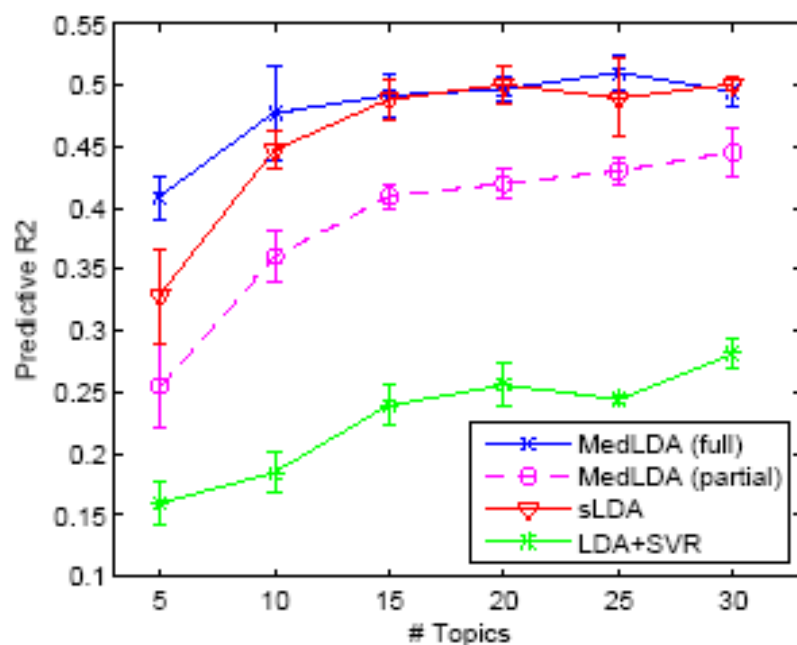


# Regression



- **Data Set:** Movie Review (Blei & McAuliffe, 2007)
- **Models:** MedLDA(*partial*), MedLDA(*full*), sLDA, LDA+SVR
- **Measure:** predictive  $R^2$  and per-word log-likelihood

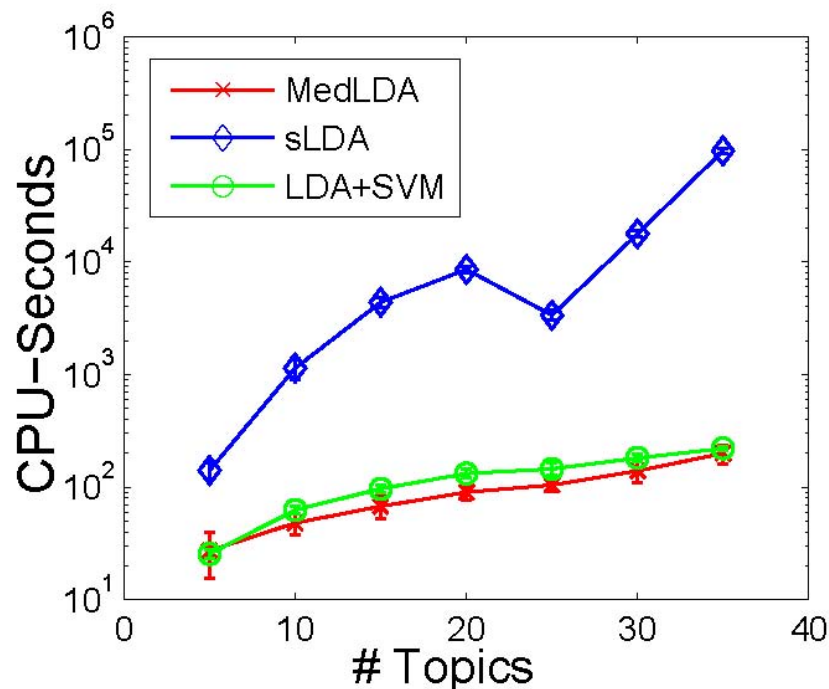
$$pR^2 = 1 - \frac{\sum_d (y_d - \hat{y}_d)^2}{\sum_d (y_d - \bar{y}_d)^2}$$



# Time Efficiency



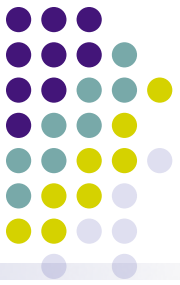
- Binary Classification



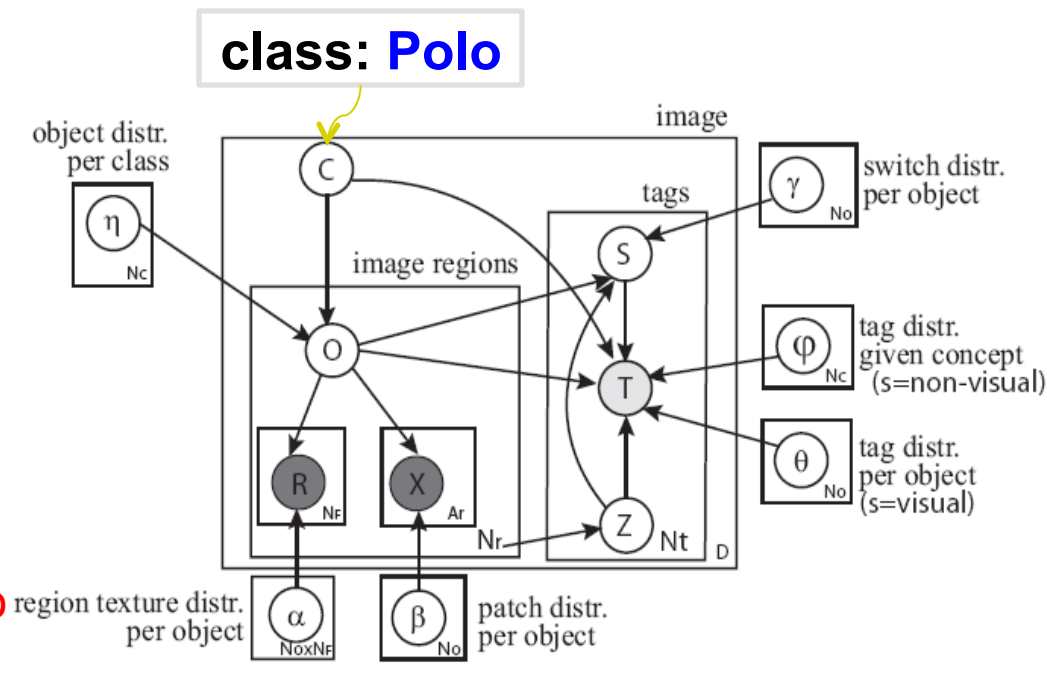
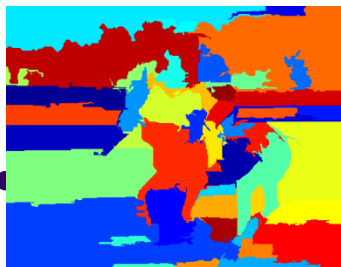
- Multiclass:
  - MedLDA is comparable with LDA+SVM
- Regression:
  - MedLDA is comparable with sLDA



# II. Upstream Scene Understanding Models



- The “Total Scene Understanding” Model (Li et al, CVPR 2009)

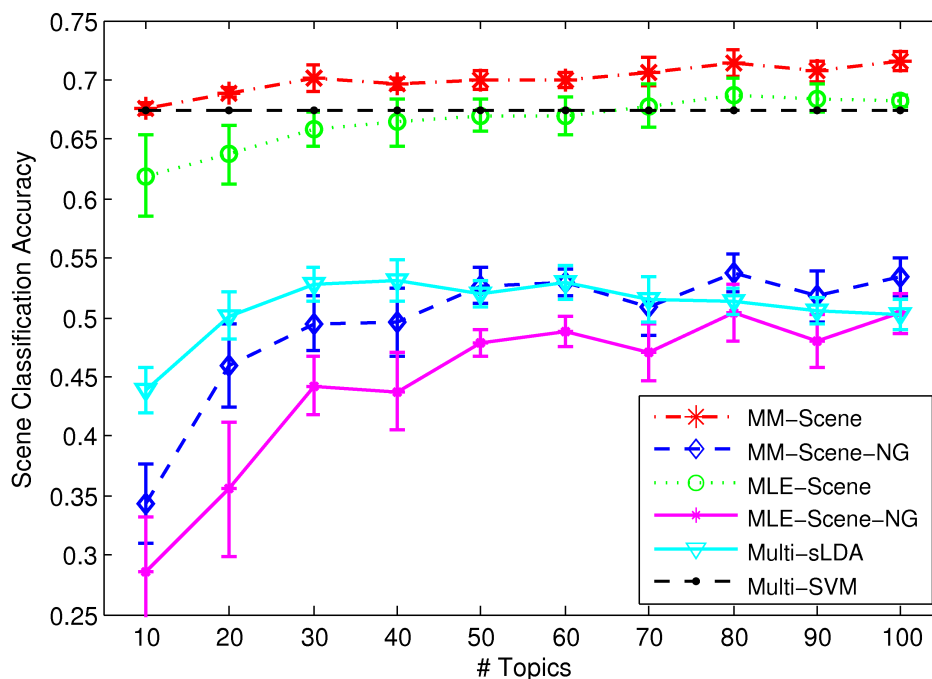


**Athlete**  
**Horse**  
**Grass**  
**Trees**  
**Sky**  
**Saddle**

# Scene Classification



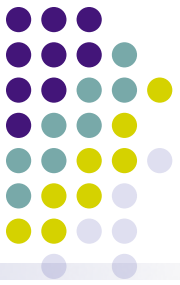
- 8-category sports data set (Li & Fei-Fei, 2007):



- Fei-Fei's theme model: 0.65  
(different image representation)
- SVM: 0.673

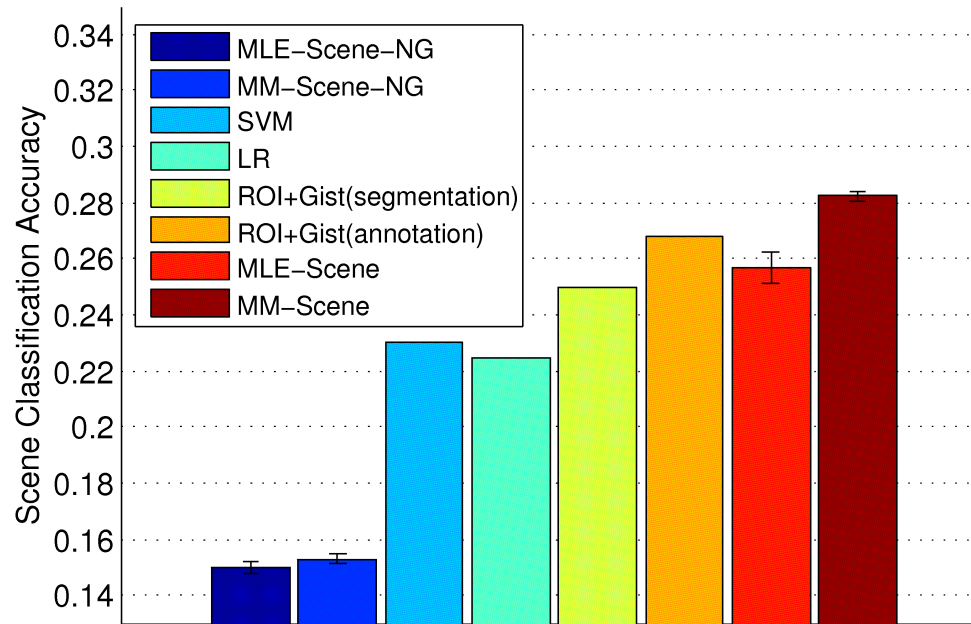
- 1574 images (50/50 split)
- Pre-segment each image into regions
- Region features:
  - color, texture, and location
  - patches with SIFT features
- Global features:
  - Gist (Oliva & Torralba, 2001)
  - Sparse SIFT codes (Yang et al, 2009)

# MIT Indoor Scene

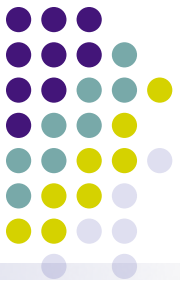


- Classification results:

- 67-category MIT indoor scene (Quattoni & Torralba, 2009):
  - ~80 per-category for training; ~20 per-category for testing
  - Same feature representation as above
  - Gist global features



§ROI+Gist(annotation) used *human annotated* interest regions.

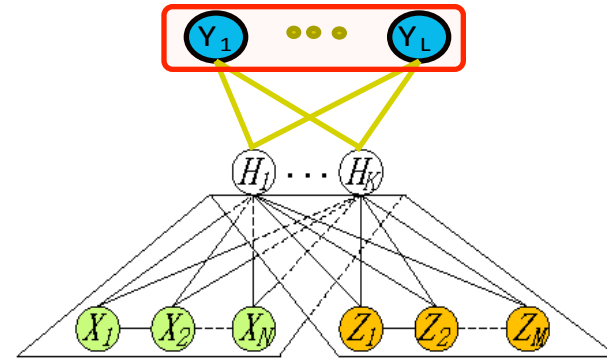


# III. Supervised Multi-view RBMs

- A probabilistic method with an additional view of response variables  $\mathbf{Y}$

$$p(y|\mathbf{h}) = \frac{\exp\{\mathbf{V}^\top \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{h}, y)\}}{Z(\mathbf{V}, \mathbf{h})}$$

normalization factor

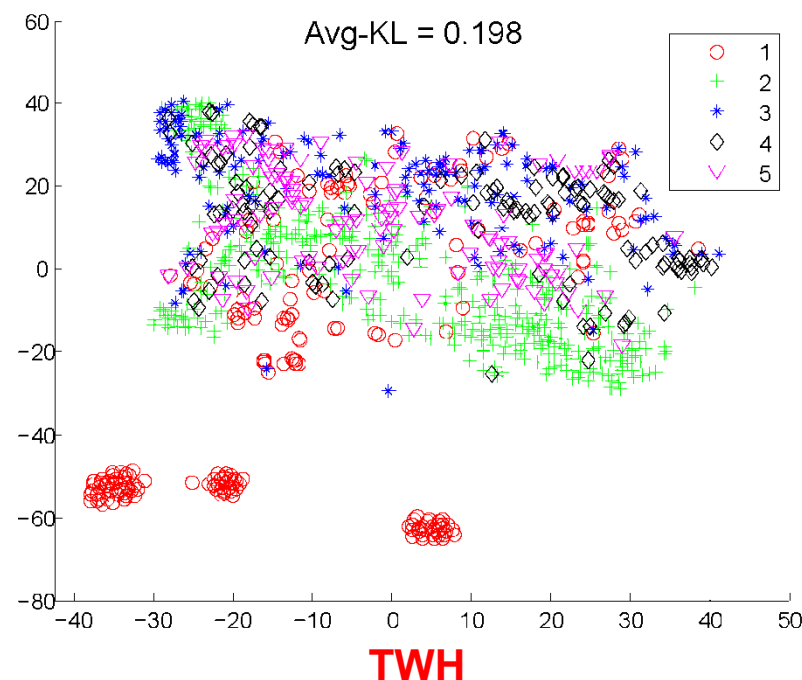
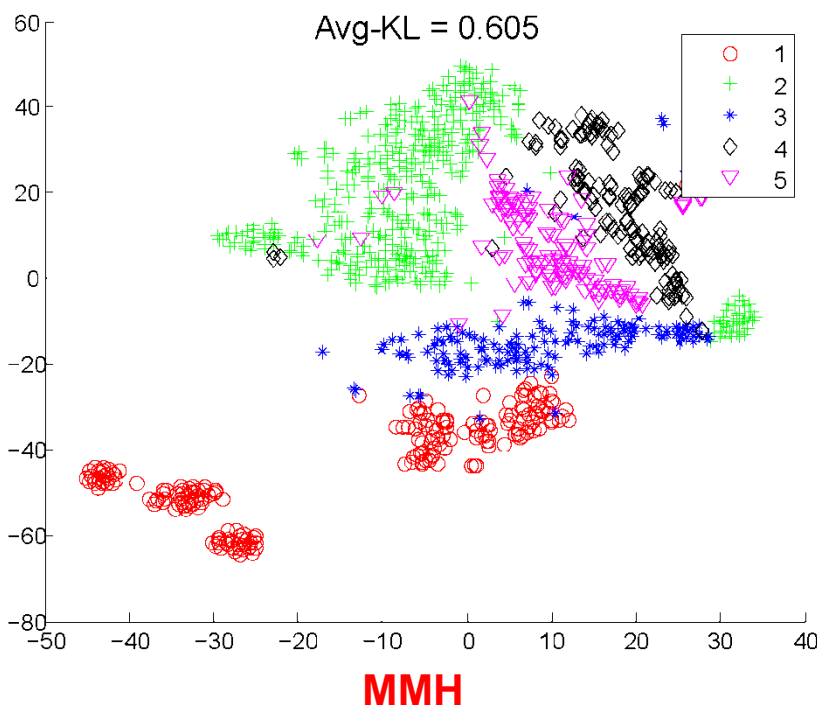


- Parameters can be learned with maximum likelihood estimation, e.g., special supervised Harmonium (Yang et al., 2007)
  - contrastive divergence is the commonly used approximation method in learning undirected latent variable models (Welling et al., 2004; Salakhutdinov & Murray, 2008).

# Predictive Latent Representation

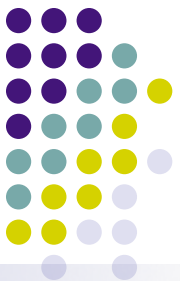


- t-SNE (van der Maaten & Hinton, 2008) 2D embedding of the discovered latent space representation on the TRECVID 2003 data

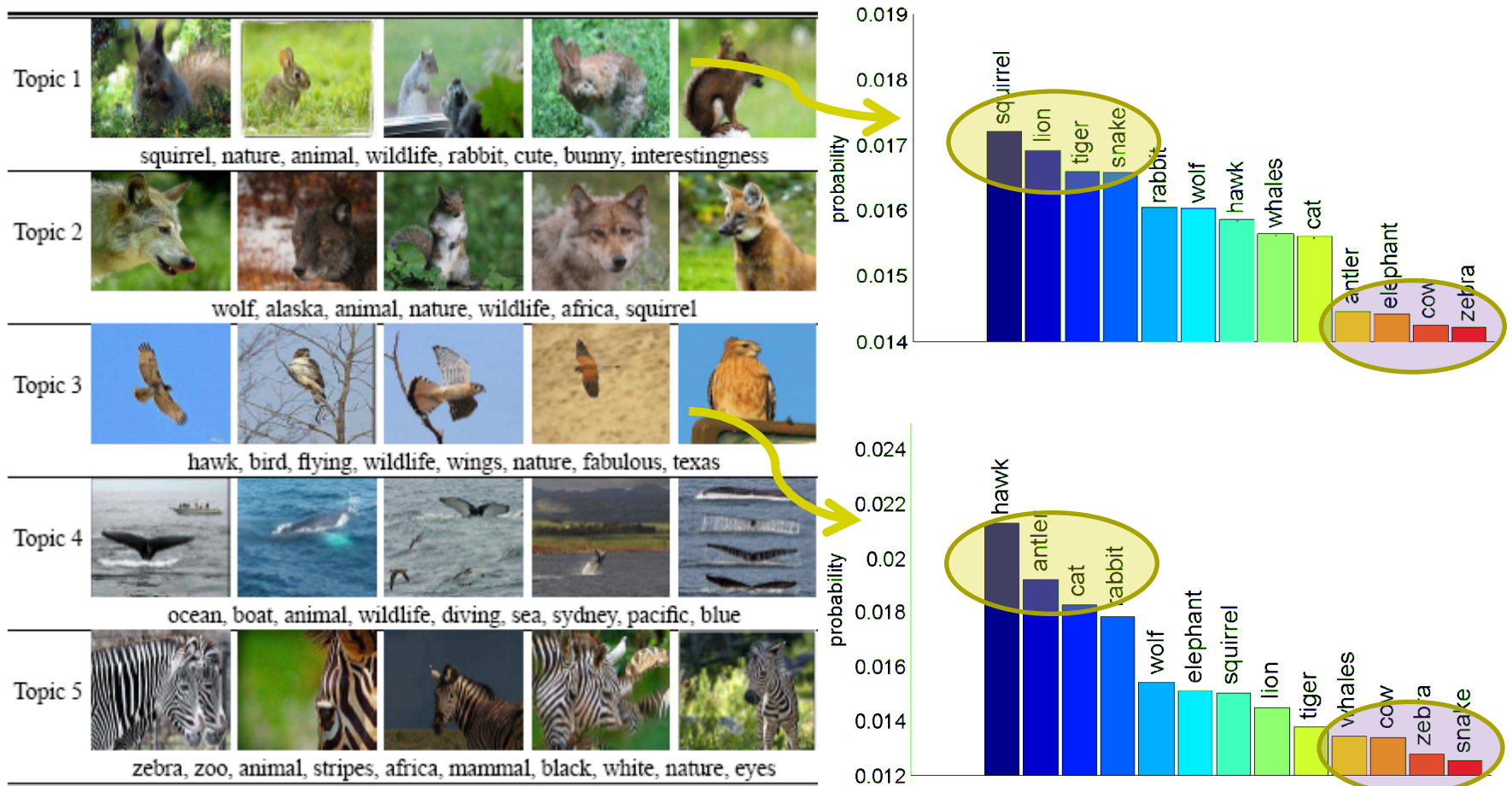


- Avg-KL: average pair-wise divergence

# Predictive Latent Representation



- Example latent topics discovered by a 60-topic MMH on Flickr Animal Data





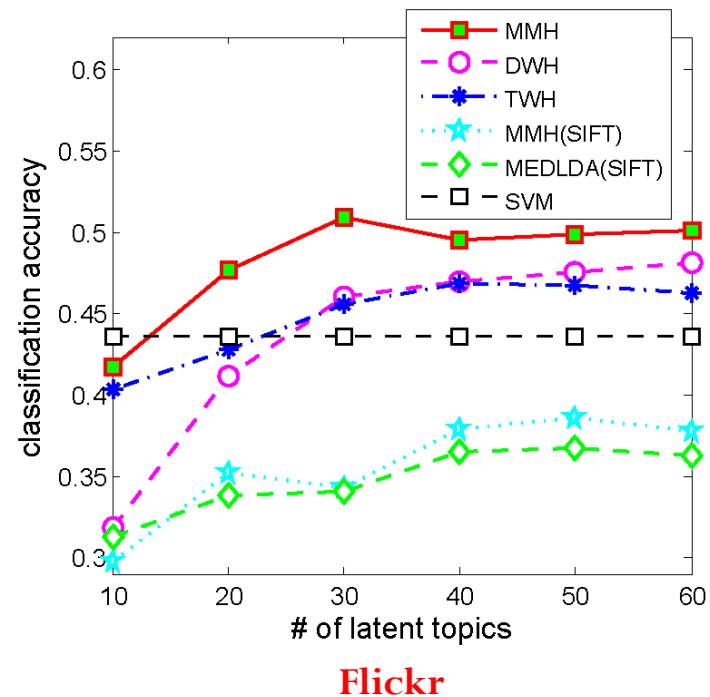
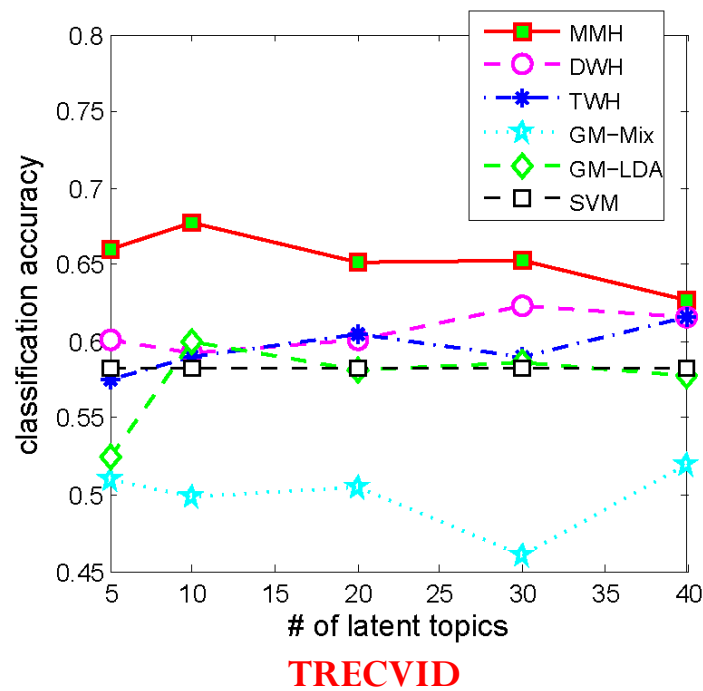
# Classification Results

- **Data Sets:**

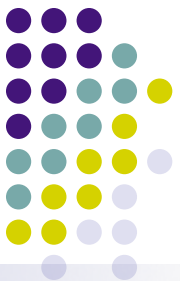
- (Left) TRECVID 2003: (text + image features)
- (Right) Flickr 13 Animal: (sift + image features)

- **Models:**

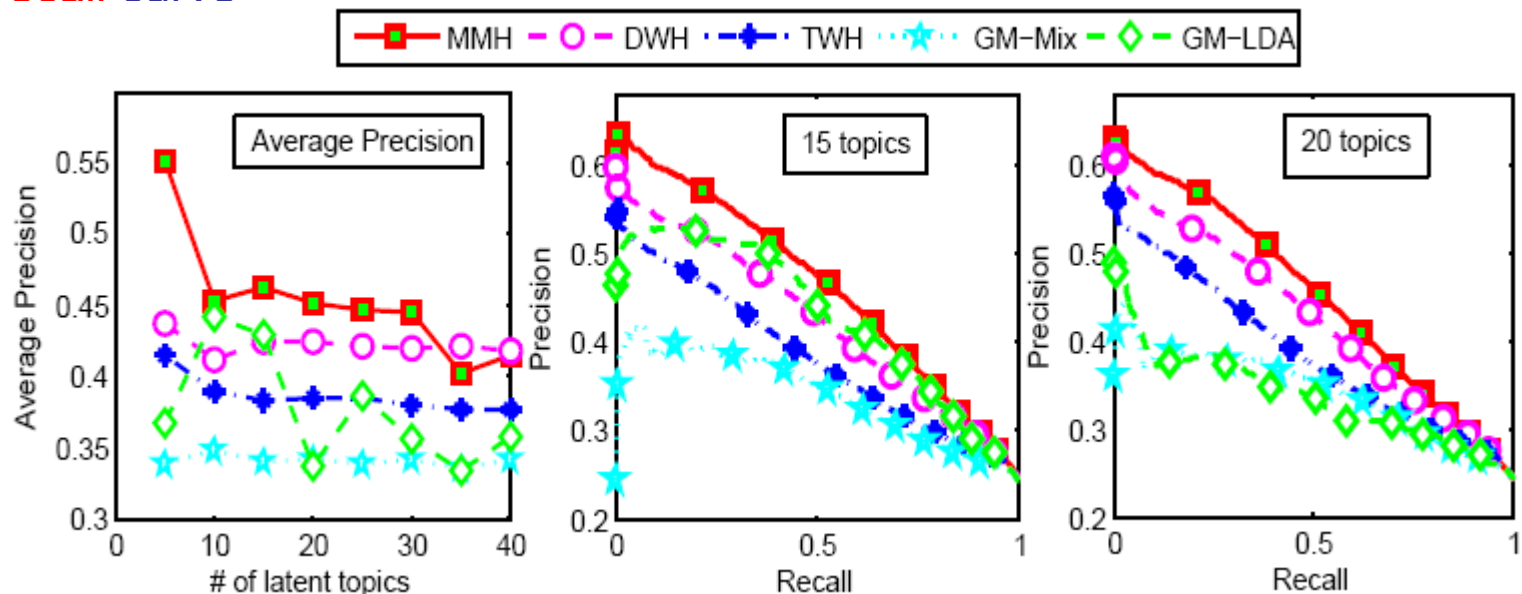
- baseline(SVM), DWH+SVM, GM-Mixture+SVM, GM-LDA+SVM, TWH, MedLDA(sift only), MMH



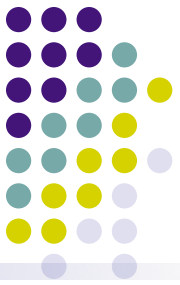
# Retrieval Results



- **Data Set: TRECVID 2003**
  - Each test sample is treated as a query, training samples are ranked based on the cosine similarity between a training sample and the given query
  - Similarity is computed based on the discovered latent topic representations
- **Models:** DWH, GM-Mixture, GM-LDA, TWH, MMH
- **Measure:** (Left) average precision on different topics and (Right) precision-recall curve





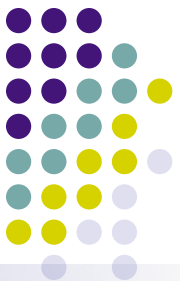


# Infinite SVM and infinite latent SVM:

-- where SVMs meet NB for classification and feature selection

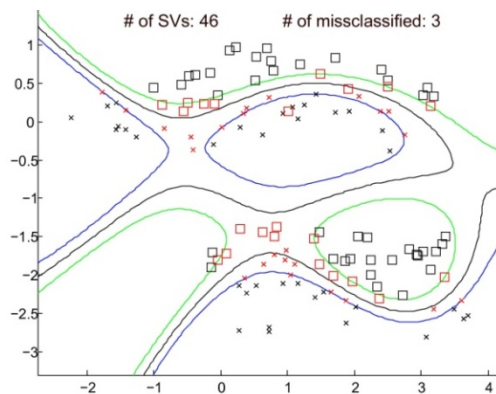
... where  $M$  is any combinations of classifiers and  $p$  is a nonparametric Bayesian prior

# Mixture of SVMs

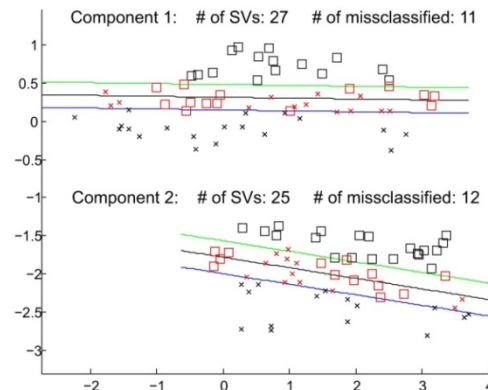


- Dirichlet process mixture of large-margin kernel machines
- Learn flexible non-linear local classifiers; potentially lead to a better control on model complexity, e.g., few unnecessary components

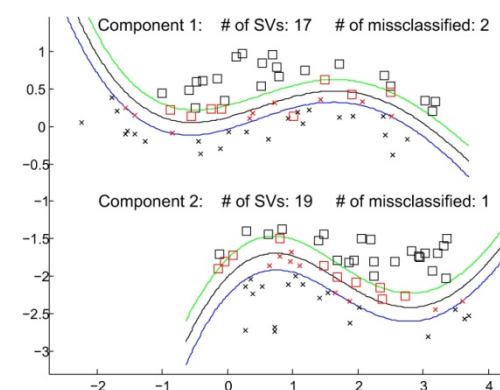
**SVM using RBF kernel**



**Mixture of 2 linear SVM**



**Mixture of 2 RBF-SVM**



- The first attempt to integrate Bayesian nonparametrics, large-margin learning, and kernel methods

# Infinite SVM



- RegBayes framework:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{p(\mathcal{M}), \xi} \quad & \text{KL}(p(\mathcal{M}) \parallel \pi(\mathcal{M})) - \sum_{n=1}^N \int \log p(\mathbf{x}_n | \mathcal{M}) p(\mathcal{M}) d\mathcal{M} + U(\xi) \\ \text{s.t. : } \quad & p(\mathcal{M}) \in \mathcal{P}_{\text{post}}(\xi), \end{aligned}$$

convex function

direct and rich constraints on posterior distribution

- Model – latent class model
- Prior – Dirichlet process
- Likelihood – Gaussian likelihood
- Posterior constraints – max-margin constraints

# Infinite SVM



- DP mixture of large-margin classifiers

process of determining which classifier to use:

1. draw  $V_i | \alpha \sim \text{Beta}(1, \alpha)$ ,  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$ .
2. draw  $\eta_i | G_0 \sim G_0$ ,  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$ .
3. for the  $d$ th data point:

(a) draw  $Z_d | \{v_1, v_2, \dots\} \sim \text{Mult}(\pi(\mathbf{v}))$

- Given a component classifier:

$$F(y, \mathbf{x}; z, \boldsymbol{\eta}) = \boldsymbol{\eta}_z^\top \mathbf{f}(y, \mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \delta_{z,i} \boldsymbol{\eta}_i^\top \mathbf{f}(y, \mathbf{x})$$

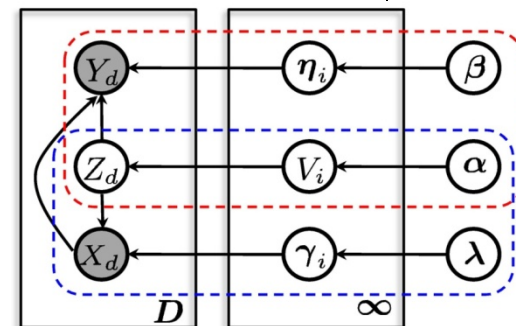
- Overall discriminant function:

$$F(y, \mathbf{x}) = \mathbb{E}_{q(z, \boldsymbol{\eta})}[F(y, \mathbf{x}; z, \boldsymbol{\eta})] = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} q(z = i) \mathbb{E}_q[\boldsymbol{\eta}_i]^\top \mathbf{f}(y, \mathbf{x})$$

- Prediction rule:  $y^* = \arg \max_y F(y, \mathbf{x})$

- Learning problem:  $\min_{q(\mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\eta})} \text{KL}(q(\mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\eta}) \| p_0(\mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\eta})) + C_1 \mathcal{R}(q(\mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\eta}))$ ,

$$\mathcal{R}(q(\mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\eta})) = \sum_d \max_y (\ell_d^\Delta(y) + F(y, \mathbf{x}_d) - F(y_d, \mathbf{x}_d))$$



Graphical model with stick-breaking construction of DP

# Infinite SVM



- Assumption and relaxation

- Truncated variational distribution

$$q(\mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{\gamma}, \mathbf{v}) = \prod_{d=1}^D q(z_d) \prod_{t=1}^T q(\eta_t) \prod_{t=1}^T q(\gamma_t) \prod_{t=1}^{T-1} q(v_t)$$

- Upper bound the KL-regularizer

- Opt. with coordinate descent

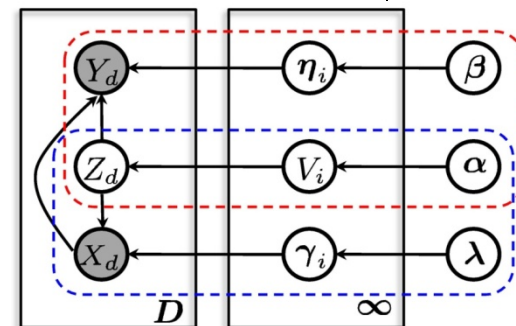
- For  $q(\boldsymbol{\eta})$ , we solve an SVM learning problem

- For  $q(\mathbf{z})$ , we get the closed update rule

$$q(z_d = t) \propto \exp \left\{ (\mathbb{E}[\log v_t] + \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \mathbb{E}[\log(1-v_i)]) + \rho(\mathbb{E}[\gamma_t]^\top \mathbf{x}_d - \mathbb{E}[A(\gamma_t)]) + (1-\rho) \sum_y \omega_d^y \mu_t^\top \mathbf{f}_d^\Delta(y) \right\}$$

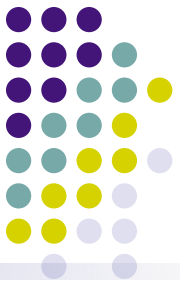
- The last term regularizes the mixing proportions to favor prediction

- For  $q(\boldsymbol{\gamma}), q(\mathbf{v})$ , the same update rules as in (Blei & Jordan, 2006)



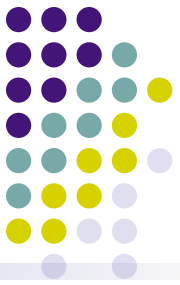
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# Learning Latent Features

- Infinite SVM is a Bayesian nonparametric **latent class** model
  - discover clustering structures
  - each data point is assigned to a **single** cluster/class
- Infinite Latent SVM is a Bayesian nonparametric **latent feature/factor** model
  - discover latent factors
  - each data point is mapped to a **set (can be infinite)** of latent factors
- Latent factor analysis is a key technique in many fields; Popular models are FA, PCA, ICA, NMF, LSI, etc.



# Infinite Latent SVM

- RegBayes framework:

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# Beta-Bernoulli Latent Feature Model



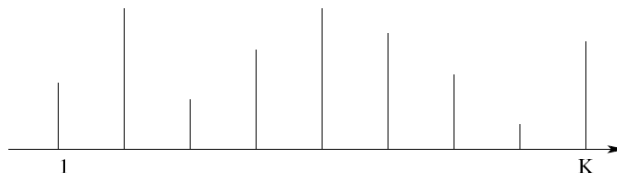
- A random **finite** binary latent feature models

$$\pi_k | \alpha \sim \text{Beta}\left(\frac{\alpha}{K}, 1\right)$$

$$z_{ik} | \pi_k \sim \text{Bernoulli}(\pi_k)$$

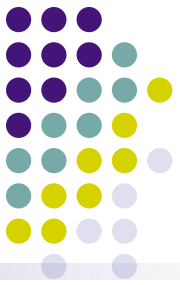
	← K →					
$z_1$	0	1	0	...	0	1
$z_2$	1	1	0	...	0	1
$\vdots$	$\vdots$					
$\vdots$	$\vdots$					
$\vdots$	$\vdots$					
$z_n$	0	1	1	...	1	1

- $\pi_k$  is the relative probability of each feature being on, e.g.,



- $z_{i.}$  are binary vectors, giving the latent structure that's used to generate the data, e.g.,

$$\mathbf{x}_i \sim \mathcal{N}(\eta^\top z_{i.}, \delta^2)$$



# Indian Buffet Process

- A **stochastic process** on **infinite** binary feature matrices
- Generative procedure:
  - Customer 1 chooses the first  $K_1$  dishes:  $K_1 \sim \text{Poisson}(\alpha)$
  - Customer  $i$  chooses:
    - Each of the existing dishes with probability  $\frac{m_k}{i}$
    - $K_i$  additional dishes, where  $K_i \sim \text{Poisson}(\frac{\alpha}{i})$

								cust 1: new dishes 1–4
								cust 2: old dishes 2,4 new dishes 5–6
								cust 3: old dishes 1,2,4,6 new dishes 7–8

$$Z_{i.} \sim \text{IBP}(\alpha)$$

# Posterior Constraints – classification



- Suppose latent features  $\mathbf{z}$  are given, we define *latent discriminant function*:

$$f(y, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}; \boldsymbol{\eta}) = \boldsymbol{\eta}^\top \mathbf{g}(y, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})$$

- Define *effective discriminant function* (reduce uncertainty):

$$f(y, \mathbf{x}; p(\mathbf{Z}, \boldsymbol{\eta})) = \mathbb{E}_{p(\mathbf{Z}, \boldsymbol{\eta})}[f(y, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}; \boldsymbol{\eta})] = \mathbb{E}_{p(\mathbf{Z}, \boldsymbol{\eta})}[\boldsymbol{\eta}^\top \mathbf{g}(y, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})]$$

- Posterior constraints with max-margin principle

$$\forall n \in \mathcal{I}_{\text{tr}}, \forall y : f(y_n, \mathbf{x}_n; p(\mathbf{Z}, \boldsymbol{\eta})) - f(y, \mathbf{x}_n; p(\mathbf{Z}, \boldsymbol{\eta})) \geq \ell(y, y_n) - \xi_n$$

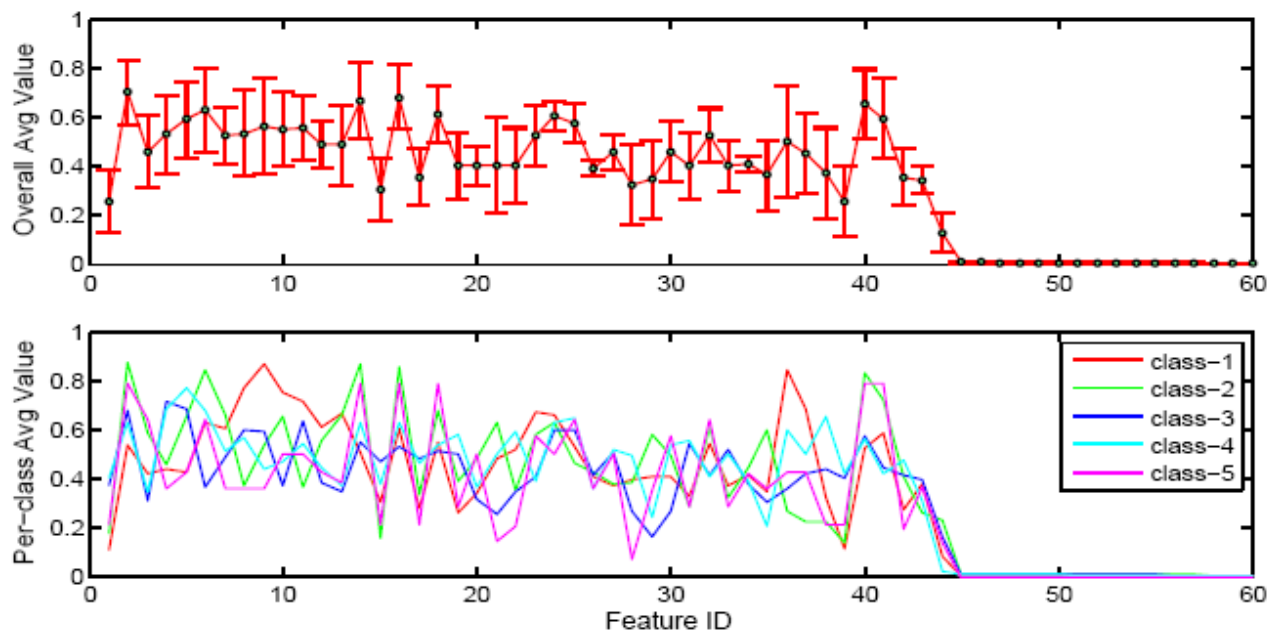
# Experimental Results



- Classification

- Accuracy and F1 scores on TRECVID2003 and Flickr image datasets

Model	TRECVID2003		Flickr	
	Accuracy	F1 score	Accuracy	F1 score
EFH+SVM	$0.565 \pm 0.0$	$0.427 \pm 0.0$	$0.476 \pm 0.0$	$0.461 \pm 0.0$
MMH	<b><math>0.566 \pm 0.0</math></b>	$0.430 \pm 0.0$	<b><math>0.538 \pm 0.0</math></b>	<b><math>0.512 \pm 0.0</math></b>
IBP+SVM	$0.553 \pm 0.013$	$0.397 \pm 0.030$	$0.500 \pm 0.004$	$0.477 \pm 0.009$
iLSVM	$0.563 \pm 0.010$	<b><math>0.448 \pm 0.011</math></b>	$0.533 \pm 0.005$	$0.510 \pm 0.010$

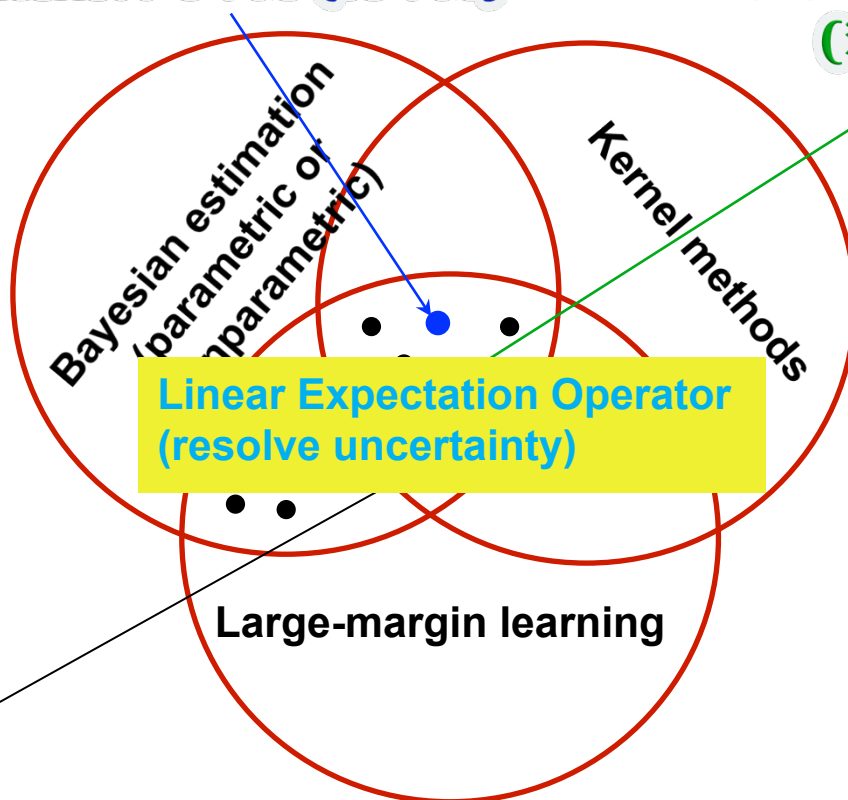


# Summary



**Infinite SVM (iSVM)**

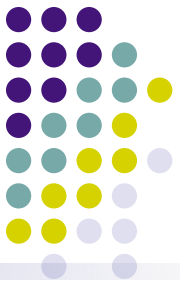
**Infinite Latent SVM (iLSVM)**



# Summary



- A general framework of MaxEnDNet for learning structured input/output models
  - Subsumes the standard  $M^3Ns$
  - Model averaging: PAC-Bayes theoretical error bound
  - Entropic regularization: sparse  $M^3Ns$
  - **Generative + discriminative: latent variables, semi-supervised learning on partially labeled data, fast inference**
- PoMEN
  - Provides an elegant approach to incorporate latent variables and structures under max-margin framework
  - Enable Learning arbitrary graphical models discriminatively
- Predictive Latent Subspace Learning
  - MedLDA for text topic learning
  - Med total scene model for image understanding
  - Med latent MNs for multi-view inference
- Bayesian nonparametrics meets max-margin learning
- Experimental results show the advantages of max-margin learning over likelihood methods in **EVERY** case.



# Remember: Elements of Learning

- Here are some important elements to consider before you start:
  - Task:
    - Embedding? Classification? Clustering? Topic extraction? ...
  - Data and other info:
    - Input and output (e.g., continuous, binary, counts, ...)
    - Supervised or unsupervised, or a blend of everything?
    - Prior knowledge? Bias?
  - Models and paradigms:
    - BN? MRF? Regression? SVM?
    - Bayesian/Frequentist? Parametric/Nonparametric?
  - Objective/Loss function:
    - MLE? MCLE? Max margin?
    - Log loss, hinge loss, square loss? ...
  - Tractability and exactness trade off:
    - Exact inference? MCMC? Variational? Gradient? Greedy search?
    - Online? Batch? Distributed?
  - Evaluation:
    - Visualization? Human interpretability? Perplexity? Predictive accuracy?