

# Advanced Machine Learning

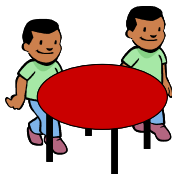
## Nonparametric Bayesian Models

--Learning/Reasoning in Open Possible Worlds

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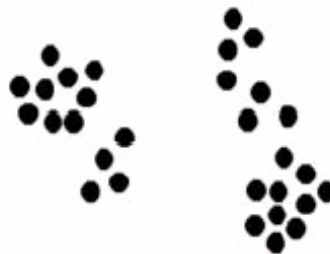


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## Clustering



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# Image Segmentation



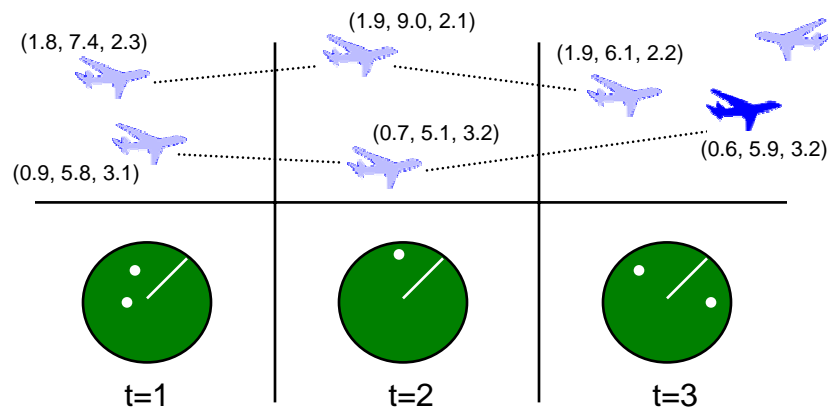
- How to segment images?
  - Manual segmentation (very expensive)
  - Algorithm segmentation
    - K-means
    - Statistical mixture models
    - Spectral clustering
- Problems with most existing algorithms
  - Ignore the spatial information
  - Perform the segmentation one image at a time
  - Need to specify the number of segments *a priori*

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# Object Recognition and Tracking



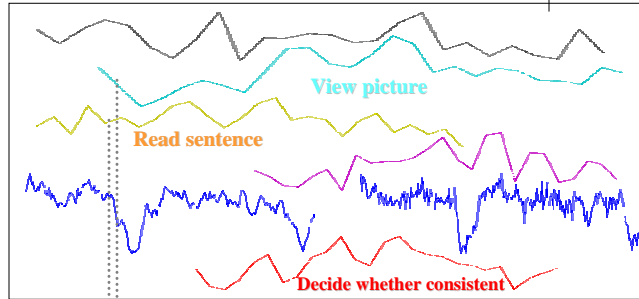
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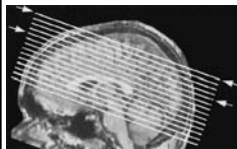
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# Modeling The Mind ...

Latent brain processes:



fMRI scan:

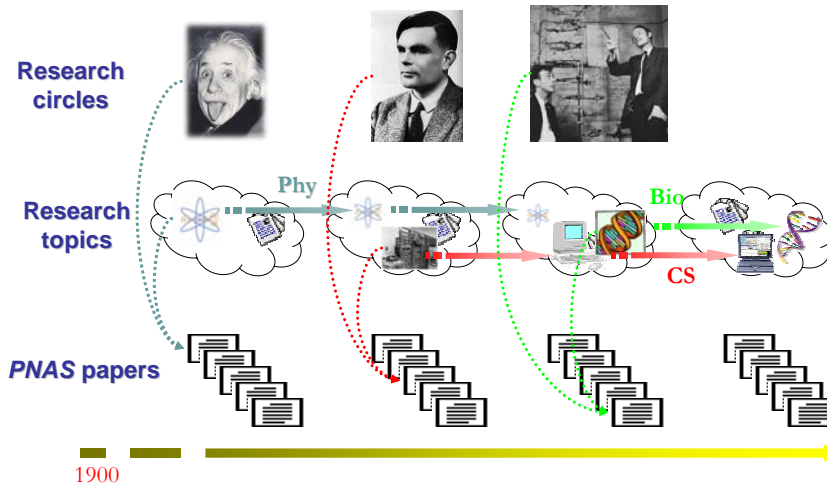


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# The Evolution of Science



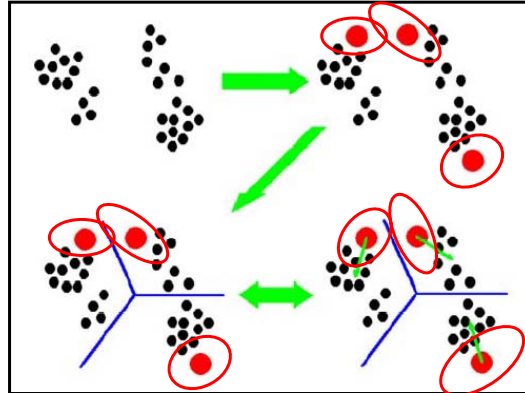
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## A Classical Approach

- Clustering as Mixture Modeling



- Then "model selection"

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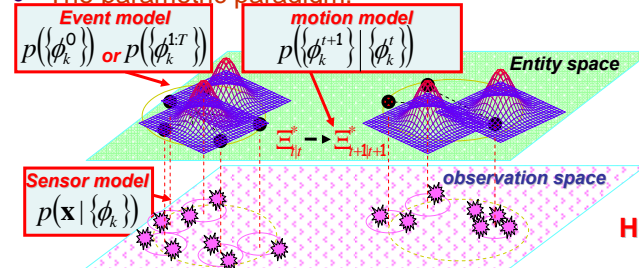
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## Partially Observed, Open and Evolving Possible Worlds

- Unbounded # of objects/trajectories
- Changing attributes
- Birth/death, merge/split
- Relational ambiguity

- The parametric paradigm:



- Finite
- Structurally unambiguous

How to open it up?

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# Model Selection vs. Posterior Inference



- Model selection
    - "intelligent" guess: ???
    - cross validation: data-hungry ☹
    - information theoretic:
      - AIC
      - TIC
      - MDL :
    - Bayes factor:
- $$\arg \min KL(f(\cdot) | g(\cdot | \hat{\theta}_{ML}, K))$$
- Parsimony, Ockam's Razor  
need to compute data likelihood
- Posterior inference:
 

we want to handle uncertainty of model complexity explicitly

$$p(M|D) \propto p(D|M)p(M)$$

$$M \equiv \{\theta, K\}$$
    - we favor a distribution that does not constrain  $M$  in a "closed" space!

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# Two "Recent" Developments



- First order probabilistic languages (FOPLs)
  - Examples: PRM, BLOG ...
  - Lift graphical models to "open" world (#rv, relation, index, lifespan ...)
  - Focus on complete, consistent, and operating rules to **instantiate** possible worlds, and formal language of expressing such rules
  - Operational way of defining distributions over possible worlds, via sampling methods
- Bayesian Nonparametrics
  - Examples: Dirichlet processes, stick-breaking processes ...
  - From finite, to infinite mixture, to more complex constructions (hierarchies, spatial/temporal sequences, ...)
  - Focus on the laws and behaviors of both the generative formalisms and resulting distributions
  - Often offer explicit expression of distributions, and expose the structure of the distributions --- motivate various approximate schemes

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# Clustering



- How to label them ?
- How many clusters ???

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## Random Partition of Probability Space

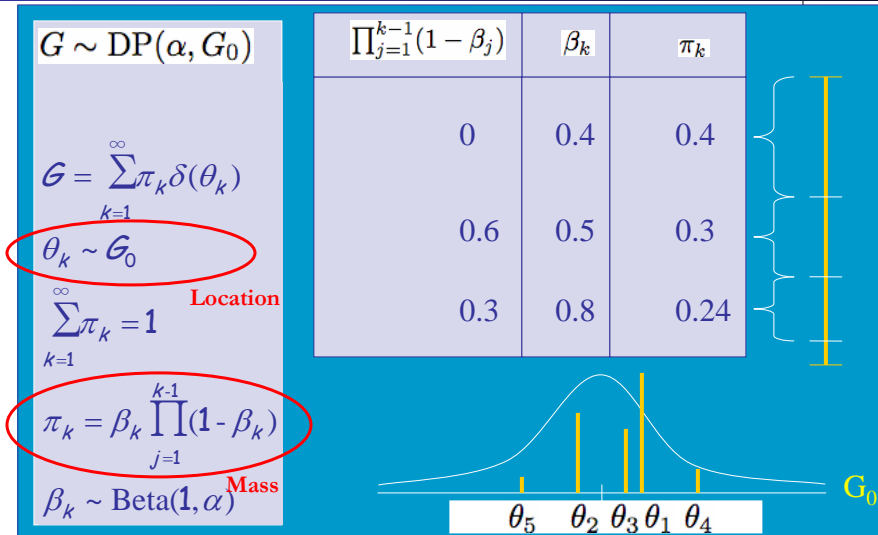


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# Stick-breaking Process

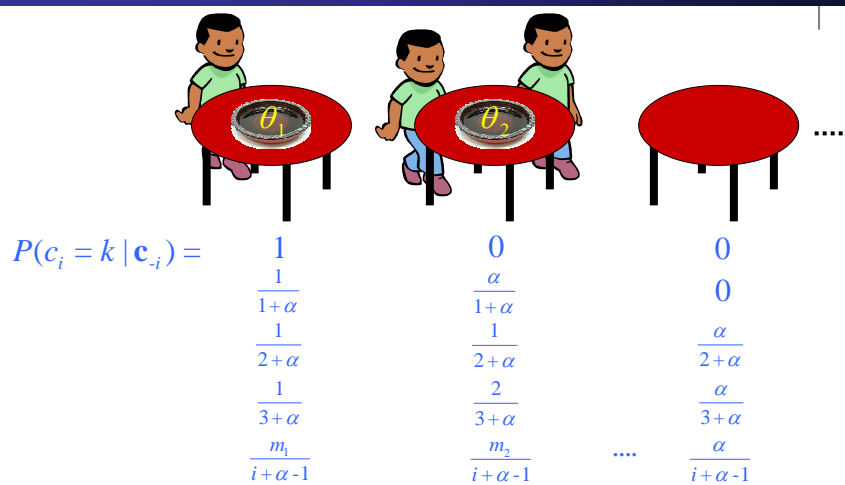


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# Chinese Restaurant Process



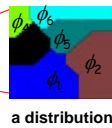
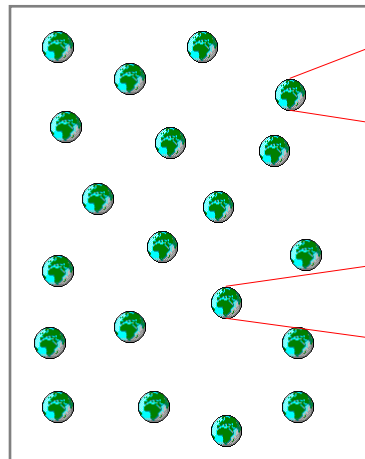
CRP defines an exchangeable distribution on partitions over an (infinite) sequence of samples, such a distribution is formally known as the Dirichlet Process (DP)

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# Dirichlet Process



- A CDF,  $G$ , on possible worlds of random partitions follows a Dirichlet Process if for any measurable finite partition  $(\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_m)$ :

$$(G(\phi_1), G(\phi_2), \dots, G(\phi_m)) \sim \text{Dirichlet}(\alpha G_0(\phi_1), \dots, \alpha G_0(\phi_m))$$

where  $G_0$  is the base measure and  $\alpha$  is the scale parameter

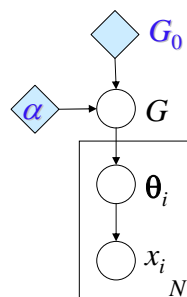
Thus a Dirichlet Process  $G$  defines a distribution of distribution

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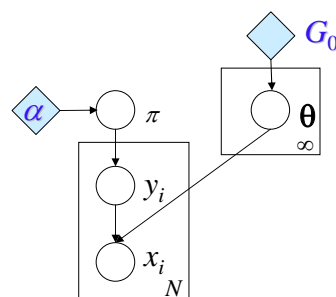
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# Graphical Model Representations of DP



The CRP construction



The Stick-breaking construction

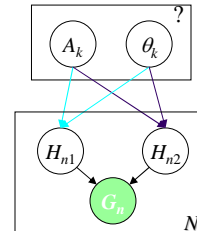
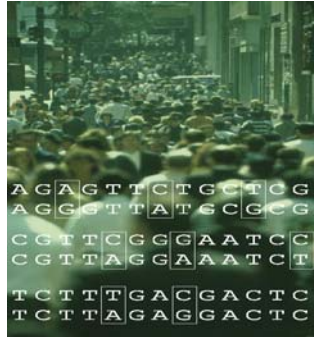
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# Ancestral Inference



Essentially a clustering problem, but ...

- Better recovery of the ancestors leads to better haplotyping results (because of more accurate grouping of **common** haplotypes)
- True haplotypes are obtainable with high cost, but they can validate model more subjectively (as opposed to examining saliency of clustering)
- Many other biological/scientific utilities

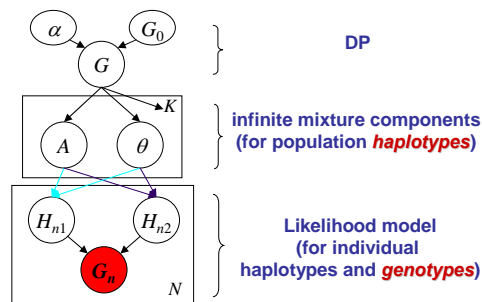
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## Example: DP-haplotyper [Xing et al, 2004]

- Clustering human populations



- Inference: Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC)
  - Gibbs sampling
  - Metropolis Hasting

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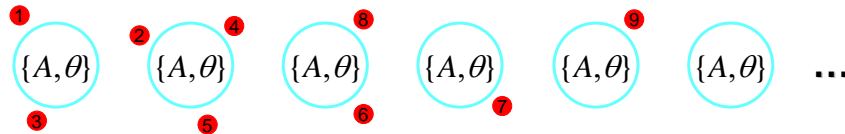
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# The DP Mixture of Ancestral Haplotypes



- The customers around a table in CRP form a cluster
  - associate a mixture component (*i.e.*, a population haplotype) with a table
  - sample  $\{a, \theta\}$  at each table from a base measure  $G_0$  to obtain the population haplotype and nucleotide substitution frequency for that component



- With  $p(h|\{A, \theta\})$  and  $p(g|h_1, h_2)$ , the CRP yields a posterior distribution on the number of population haplotypes (and on the haplotype configurations and the nucleotide substitution frequencies)

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# Inheritance and Observation Models



- Single-locus mutation model

$$A_{C_{i_k}} \rightarrow H_{i_k}$$

$$P_H(h_i | a_i, \theta) = \begin{cases} \theta & \text{for } h_i = a_i \\ \frac{1-\theta}{|B|-1} & \text{for } h_i \neq a_i \end{cases}$$

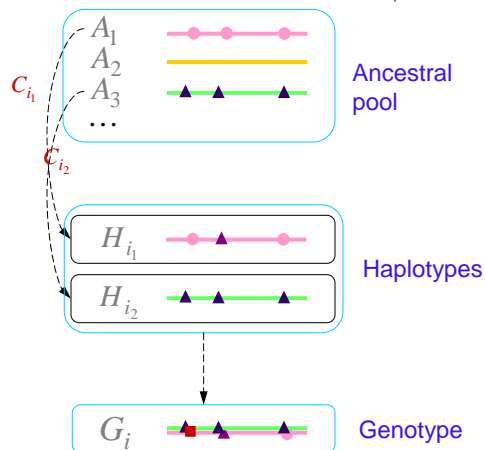
$$\rightarrow h_i = a_i \text{ with prob. } \theta$$

- Noisy observation model

$$H_{i_1}, H_{i_2} \rightarrow G_i$$

$$P_G(g | h_1, h_2):$$

$$g_i = h_{1,i} \oplus h_{2,i} \text{ with prob. } \lambda$$



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## MCMC for Haplotype Inference



- Gibbs sampling for exploring the posterior distribution under the proposed model
  - Integrate out the parameters such as  $\theta$  or  $\lambda$ , and sample  $c_{i_e}$ ,  $a_k$  and  $h_{i_e}$

$$p(c_{i_e} = k | \mathbf{c}_{[-i_e]}, \mathbf{h}, \mathbf{a}) \propto p(c_{i_e} = k | \mathbf{c}_{[-i_e]}) p(h_{i_e} | a_k, \mathbf{h}_{[-i_e]}, \mathbf{c})$$

Posterior
Prior
Likelihood

⋮
CRP

- Gibbs sampling algorithm: draw samples of each random variable to be sampled given values of all the remaining variables

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## MCMC for Haplotype Inference



- Sample  $c_{i_e}^{(j)}$  from
 
$$\begin{aligned}
 p(c_{i_e}^{(j)} = k | \mathbf{c}^{[-j, i_e]}, \mathbf{h}, \mathbf{a}) \\
 \propto p(c_{i_e}^{(j)} = k | \mathbf{c}^{[-j, i_e]}, \mathbf{m}, \mathbf{n}) p(h_{i_e}^{(j)} | a_k, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{h}^{[-j, i_e]}) \\
 \propto (m_{jk}^{[-j, i_e]} + \tau \beta_k) p(h_{i_e}^{(j)} | a_k, \mathbf{l}_k^{[-j, i_e]}), \text{ for } k = 1, \dots, K + 1
 \end{aligned}$$
- Sample  $a_k$  from
 
$$\begin{aligned}
 p(a_{k,t} | \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{h}) &\propto \prod_{j, i_e | c_{i_e}^{(j)} = k} p(h_{i_e,t}^{(j)} | a_{k,t}, l_{k,t}^{(j)}) \\
 &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha_h + l_{k,t}) \Gamma(\beta_h + l'_{k,t})}{\Gamma(\alpha_h + \beta_h + m_k) (|B| - 1)^{l'_{k,t}}} R(\alpha_h, \beta_h)
 \end{aligned}$$
- Sample  $h_{i_e}^{(j)}$  from
 
$$p(h_{i_e,t}^{(j)} | \mathbf{h}_{[-i_e,t]}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{g})$$

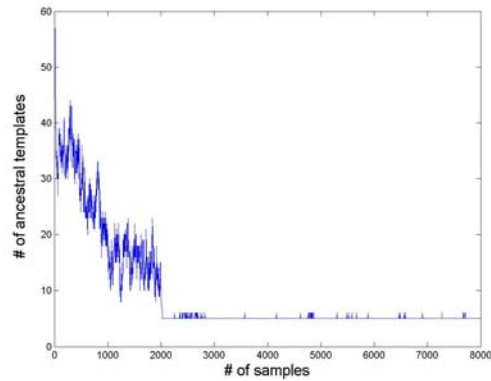
- For DP scale parameter  $\alpha$ : a vague inverse Gamma prior

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## Convergence of Ancestral Inference

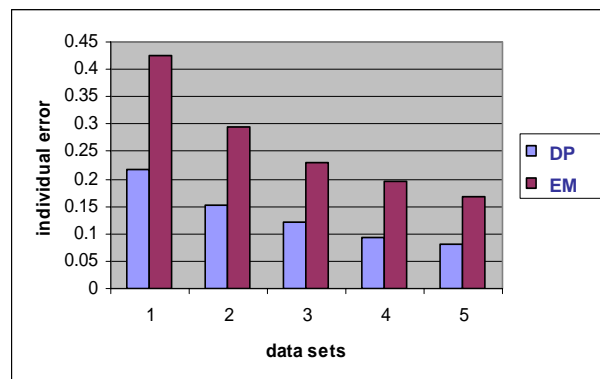


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## DP vs. Finite Mixture via EM



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## Variational Inference [Blei & Jordan 2005, Kurihara et al 2007]



- Gibbs sampling solution is not efficient enough to scale up to the large scale problems.
- Truncated stick-breaking approximation can be formulated in the space of explicit, non-exchangeable cluster labels.
- Variational inference can now be applied to such a finite-dimensional distribution
- Variational Inference:
  - For a complicated  $P(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$ , approximate it with  $Q(X)$ :

$$Q(\mathbf{X}) = \prod_i Q(\mathbf{X}_{C_i})$$

$$\{Q^*(\mathbf{X}_{C_i})\} = \arg \min KL(Q(\mathbf{X})|P(\mathbf{X}))$$

## Approximations to DP



- Truncated stick-breaking representation
- Finite symmetric Dirichlet approximation

$$v_i \sim \mathcal{B}(v_i; 1, \alpha) \quad i = 1, \dots, T-1 \quad \pi \sim \mathcal{D}(\pi; \frac{\alpha}{K}, \dots, \frac{\alpha}{K})$$

$$v_T = 1$$

$$\pi_i = v_i \prod_{j < i} (1 - v_j) \quad i = 1, \dots, T$$

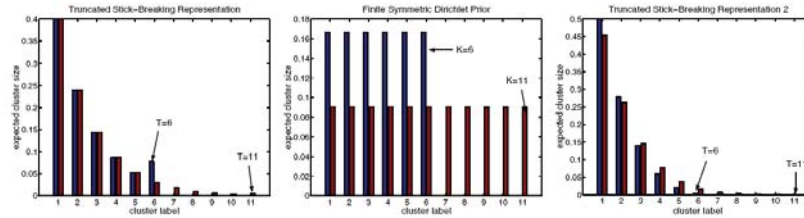
$$\pi_i = 0 \quad i > T$$

- The joint distribution can be expressed as:
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$$P(X, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{v}, \eta) = \left[ \prod_{n=1}^N p(\mathbf{x}_n | \eta_{z_n}) p(z_n | \pi(\mathbf{v})) \right] \left[ \prod_{i=1}^T p(\eta_i) \mathcal{B}(v_i; 1, \alpha) \right]$$

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## TDP vs. TSB



- TDP is size biased
- cluster labels is NOT interchangeable under TDP but is interchangeable under TSB

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## Marginalization

$$P(X, \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\pi}, \boldsymbol{\eta}) = \left[ \prod_{n=1}^N p(\mathbf{x}_n | \boldsymbol{\eta}_{z_n}) p(z_n | \boldsymbol{\pi}) \right] \left[ \prod_{i=1}^K p(\boldsymbol{\eta}_i) \right] \mathcal{D}(\boldsymbol{\pi}; \frac{\alpha}{K}, \dots, \frac{\alpha}{K})$$

- In variational Bayesian approximation, we assume a factorized form for the posterior distribution.
- However it is not a good assumption since changes in  $\boldsymbol{\pi}$  will have a considerable impact on  $\mathbf{z}$ .

If we can integrate out  $\boldsymbol{\pi}$ , the joint distribution is given by

$$P(X, \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\eta}) = \left[ \prod_{n=1}^N p(\mathbf{x}_n | \boldsymbol{\eta}_{z_n}) \right] p(\mathbf{z}) \left[ \prod_{i=1}^K p(\boldsymbol{\eta}_i) \right]$$

For the TSB representation:

$$p_{\text{TSB}}(\mathbf{z}) = \prod_{i < T} \frac{\Gamma(1 + N_i) \Gamma(\alpha + N_{>i})}{\Gamma(1 + \alpha + N_{\geq i})} \alpha$$

For the FSD representation:

$$p_{\text{FSD}}(\mathbf{z}) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha) \prod_{k=1}^K \Gamma(N_k + \frac{\alpha}{K})}{\Gamma(N + \alpha) \Gamma(\frac{\alpha}{K})^K}$$

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# VB inference

- We can then apply the VB inference on the four approximations

$$\{Q^*(\mathbf{X}_{C_i})\} = \arg \min KL(Q(\mathbf{X})|P(\mathbf{X}))$$

The approximated posterior distribution for TSB and FSD are

$$Q_{\text{TSB}}(\mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\eta}, \mathbf{v}) = \left[ \prod_n q(z_n) \right] \left[ \prod_{i=1}^T q(\eta_i) q(v_i) \right] \quad Q_{\text{FSD}}(\mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{\pi}) = \left[ \prod_n q(z_n) \right] \left[ \prod_{k=1}^K q(\eta_k) \right] q(\boldsymbol{\pi})$$

Depending on marginalization or not,  $\mathbf{v}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\pi}$  may be integrated out.

# Experimental results

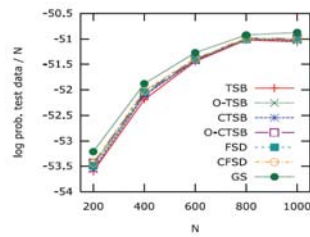


Figure 2: Average log probability per data-point for test data as a function of  $N$ .

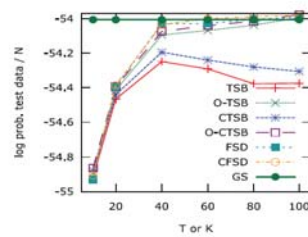
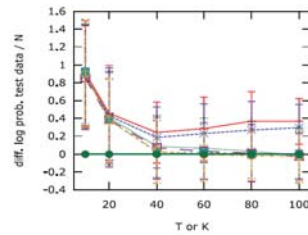
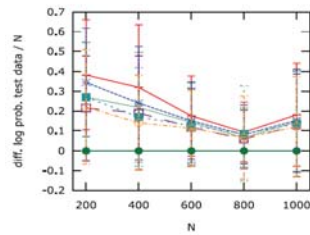


Figure 4: Average log probability per data-point for test data as a function of  $T$  (for TSB methods) or  $K$  (for FSD methods).



# Summary



- A non-parametric Bayesian model for Pattern Uncovery
  - Finite mixture model of latent patterns (e.g., image segments, objects)
    - infinite mixture of propotypes: alternative to model selection
    - hierarchical infinite mixture
    - infinite hidden Markov model
    - temporal infinite mixture model
- Applications in general data-mining ...