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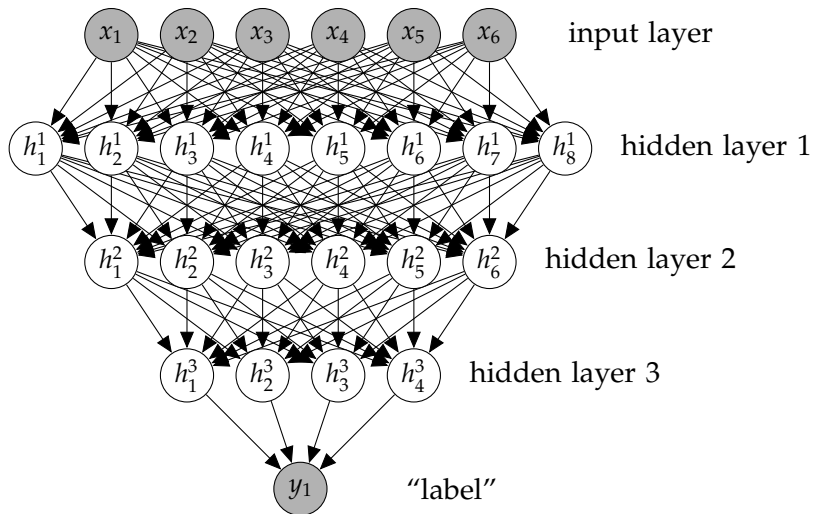
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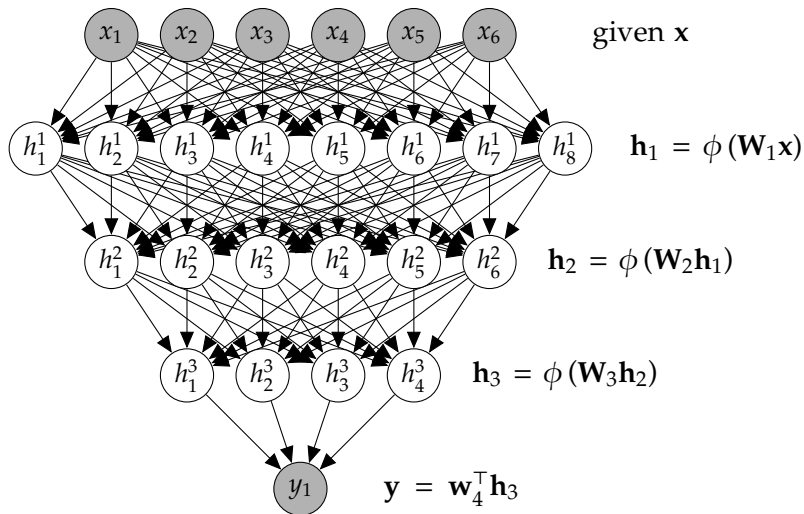
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Mathematically

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Overfitting

- ▶ Potential problem: if number of nodes in two adjacent layers is big, corresponding \mathbf{W} is also very big and there is the potential to overfit.
- ▶ Proposed solution: “dropout”.
- ▶ Alternative solution: parameterize \mathbf{W} with its SVD.

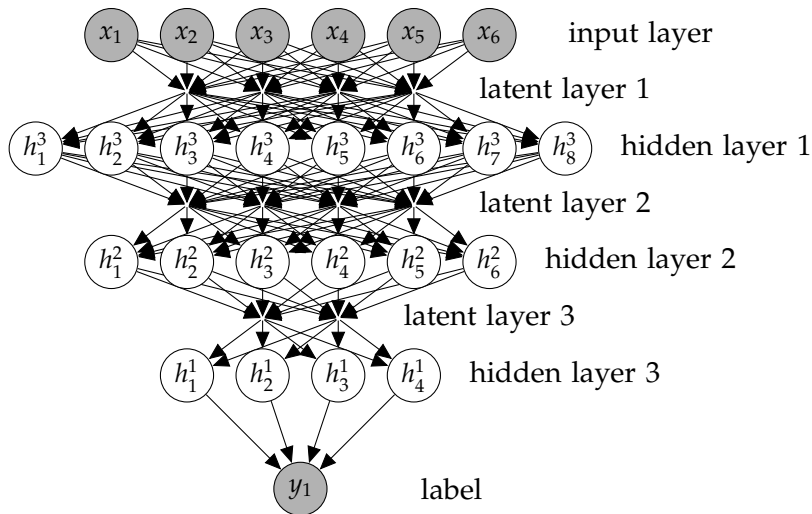
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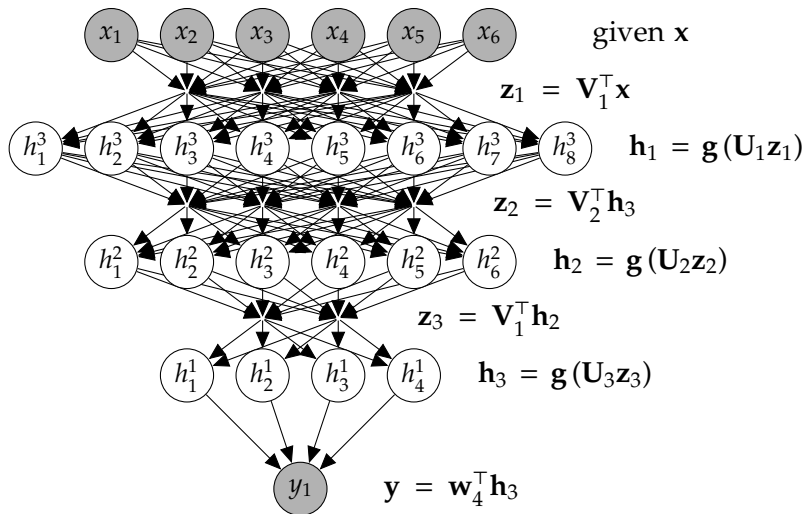
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where if $\mathbf{W} \in \mathbb{R}^{k_1 \times k_2}$ then $\mathbf{U} \in \mathbb{R}^{k_1 \times q}$ and $\mathbf{V} \in \mathbb{R}^{k_2 \times q}$, i.e. we have a low rank matrix factorization for the weights.

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A Cascade of Neural Networks

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Replace Each Neural Network with a Gaussian Process

$$\mathbf{z}_1 = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})$$

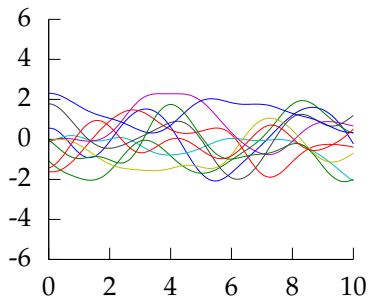
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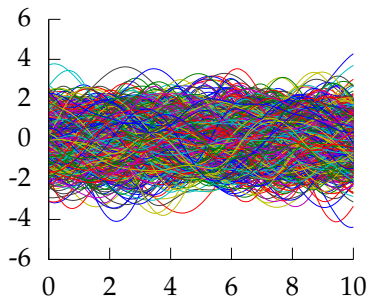
$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{z}_3)$$

This is equivalent to Gaussian prior over weights and integrating out all parameters and taking width of each layer to infinity.

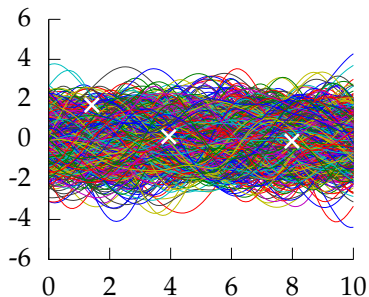
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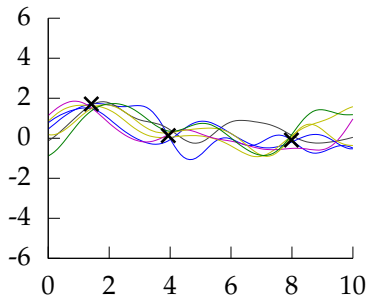
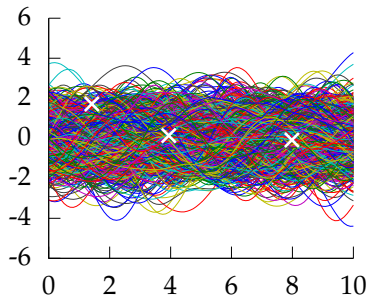
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- ▶ Composite *multivariate* function

$$\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{f}_5(\mathbf{f}_4(\mathbf{f}_3(\mathbf{f}_2(\mathbf{f}_1(\mathbf{x}))))))$$

Why Deep?

- ▶ Gaussian processes give priors over functions.
- ▶ Elegant properties:
 - ▶ e.g. *Derivatives* of process are also Gaussian distributed (if they exist).
- ▶ For particular covariance functions they are ‘universal approximators’, i.e. all functions can have support under the prior.
- ▶ Gaussian derivatives might ring alarm bells.
- ▶ E.g. a priori they don’t believe in function ‘jumps’.

Process Composition



- ▶ From a process perspective: *process composition*.
- ▶ A (new?) way of constructing more complex *processes* based on simpler components.

Note: To retain *Kolmogorov consistency* introduce IBP priors over latent variables in each layer (Zhenwen Dai).

Analysis of Deep GPs

- ▶ Duvenaud et al. (2014) Duvenaud et al show that the derivative distribution of the process becomes more *heavy tailed* as number of layers increase.

Difficulty for Probabilistic Approaches

- ▶ Propagate a probability distribution through a non-linear mapping.
- ▶ Normalisation of distribution becomes intractable.

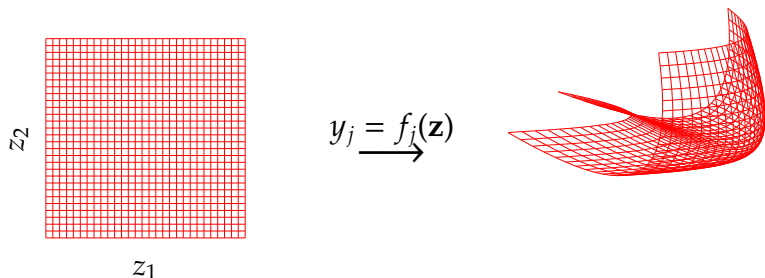


Figure : A three dimensional manifold formed by mapping from a two dimensional space to a three dimensional space.

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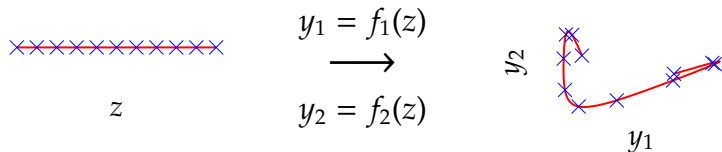


Figure : A string in two dimensions, formed by mapping from one dimension, z , line to a two dimensional space, $[y_1, y_2]$ using nonlinear functions $f_1(\cdot)$ and $f_2(\cdot)$.

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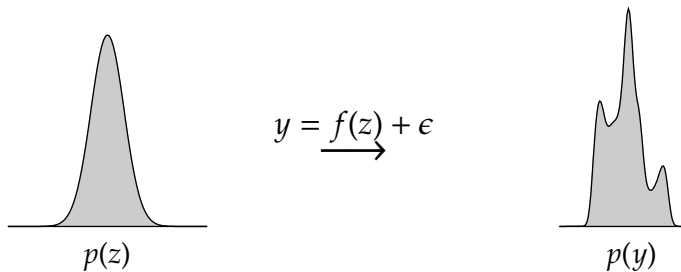


Figure : A Gaussian distribution propagated through a non-linear mapping. $y_i = f(z_i) + \epsilon_i$. $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 0.2^2)$ and $f(\cdot)$ uses RBF basis, 100 centres between -4 and 4 and $\ell = 0.1$. New distribution over y (right) is multimodal and difficult to normalize.

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Variational Compression

- ▶ Inducing variables are a compression of the real observations.
- ▶ They are like pseudo-data. They can be in space of \mathbf{f} or a space that is related through a linear operator (Álvarez et al., 2010) — e.g. a gradient or convolution.
- ▶ There are inducing variables associated with each set of hidden variables, \mathbf{z}^i .

Variational Compression II

- ▶ **Importantly** conditioning on inducing variables renders the likelihood independent across the data.
- ▶ It turns out that this allows us to variationally handle uncertainty on the kernel (including the inputs to the kernel).
- ▶ It also allows standard scaling approaches: stochastic variational inference Hensman et al. (2013), parallelization Gal et al. (2014) and work by Zhenwen Dai on GPUs to be applied: an *engineering* challenge?

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What is Variational Inference?

- ▶ Convert an integral into an optimization.
- ▶ Entered machine learning via statistical physics in 1990s.
- ▶ *But* there's a classic example from statistics: expectation maximization.

Variational Bound

Latent variable model: marginal likelihood computed by integrating latent variables.

$$p(\mathbf{y}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \int p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta})p(\mathbf{z})d\mathbf{z}$$

Variational Bound

Log marginal likelihood computed by integrating latent variables.

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$$\log p(\mathbf{y}) \geq \int \log p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) p(\mathbf{z}) d\mathbf{z}$$

But the bound can be very loose.

Variational Bound

Modify Jensen's by introducing variational distribution, $q(\mathbf{z})$.

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Bound is tightened through changing $q(\mathbf{z})$.

Variational Bound

This is the bound behind EM, in E-step set $q(\mathbf{z}) = p(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{y})$.

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Replace variational distribution with ...

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... true posterior which allows for ...

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$$\log p(\mathbf{y}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \int p(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{y}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \log p(\mathbf{y}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) d\mathbf{z}$$

... a reorganisation via product rule ...

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... to recover equality (bound is tight).

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Split into expected log likelihood ...

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$$\log p(\mathbf{y}) \geq \langle \log p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \rangle_{q(\mathbf{z})} - \text{KL}(q(\mathbf{z}) \| p(\mathbf{z}))$$

... and Kullback Leibler divergence term.

Variational Bound

This gives the variational lower bound ...

$$\mathcal{L} = \langle \log p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \rangle_{q(\mathbf{z})} - \text{KL}(q(\mathbf{z}) \parallel p(\mathbf{z}))$$

... which is an information theoretic interpretation of marginalization.

How is this a Variational Method?

- ▶ To apply EM we need to compute $p(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{y}, \theta)$
- ▶ Often this is intractable, in this case we note that:

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Variational Compression

Model for our data, \mathbf{y} .

$p(\mathbf{y})$



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Prior density over \mathbf{f} . Likelihood relates data, \mathbf{y} , to \mathbf{f} .

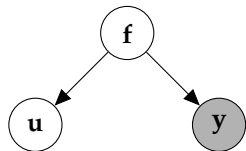
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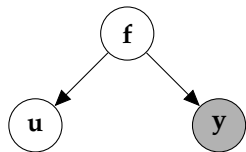
Augment standard model with a set of m new inducing variables, \mathbf{u} .

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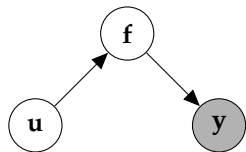
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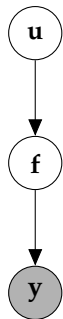
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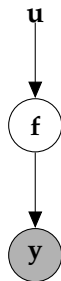
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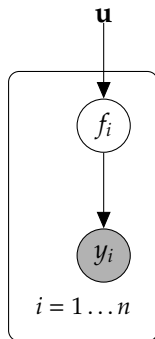
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Consider the conditional likelihood.

$$p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{u}) = \int \prod_{i=1}^n p(y_i|f_i)p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{u})d\mathbf{f}$$

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Consider the conditional log likelihood.

$$\log p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{u}) = \log \int \prod_{i=1}^n p(y_i|f_i)p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{u})d\mathbf{f}$$

Variational Compression

Introduce variational lower bound

$$\log p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{u}) \geq \int q(\mathbf{f}) \log \frac{\prod_{i=1}^n p(y_i|f_i)p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{u})}{q(\mathbf{f})} d\mathbf{f}$$

Variational Compression

Set $q(\mathbf{f}) = p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{u})$

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Variational Compression

Difference between bound and truth is KL divergence:

$$\text{KL}(p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{u}) \parallel p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{y})) = \int p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{u}) \log \frac{p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{u})}{p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{y})} d\mathbf{f}$$

This is why we call it variational compression, information in \mathbf{y} is compressed into \mathbf{u}

Gaussian $p(y_i|f_i)$

For Gaussian likelihoods:

$$\langle \log p(y_i|f_i) \rangle_{p(f_i|\mathbf{u})} = -\frac{1}{2} \log 2\pi\sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (y_i - \langle f_i \rangle)^2 - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (\langle f_i^2 \rangle - \langle f_i \rangle^2)$$

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Implying:

$$p(y_i|\mathbf{u}) \geq \exp \langle \log c_i \rangle \mathcal{N}(y_i | \langle f_i \rangle, \sigma^2)$$

Gaussian Process Over \mathbf{f} and \mathbf{u}

Define:

$$q_{i,i} = \text{var}_{p(f_i|\mathbf{u})}(f_i) = \langle f_i^2 \rangle_{p(f_i|\mathbf{u})} - \langle f_i \rangle_{p(f_i|\mathbf{u})}^2$$

We can write:

$$c_i = \exp\left(-\frac{q_{i,i}}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

If joint distribution of $p(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{u})$ is Gaussian then:

$$q_{i,i} = k_{i,i} - \mathbf{k}_{i,\mathbf{u}}^\top \mathbf{K}_{\mathbf{u},\mathbf{u}}^{-1} \mathbf{k}_{i,\mathbf{u}}$$

c_i is not a function of \mathbf{u} but *is* a function of $\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{u}}$.

Lower Bound on Likelihood

Substitute variational bound into marginal likelihood:

$$p(\mathbf{y}) \geq \prod_{i=1}^n c_i \int \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{y} | \langle \mathbf{f} \rangle, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}) p(\mathbf{u}) d\mathbf{u}$$

Note that:

$$\langle \mathbf{f} \rangle_{p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{u})} = \mathbf{K}_{\mathbf{f},\mathbf{u}} \mathbf{K}_{\mathbf{u},\mathbf{u}}^{-1} \mathbf{u}$$

is *linearly* dependent on \mathbf{u} .

Deterministic Training Conditional

Making the marginalization of \mathbf{u} straightforward. In the Gaussian case:

$$p(\mathbf{u}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{u}|\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{K}_{\mathbf{u},\mathbf{u}})$$

$$\int p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{u})p(\mathbf{u})d\mathbf{u} \geq \prod_{i=1}^n c_i \int \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{K}_{\mathbf{f},\mathbf{u}}\mathbf{K}_{\mathbf{u},\mathbf{u}}^{-1}\mathbf{u}, \sigma^2) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{u}|\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{K}_{\mathbf{u},\mathbf{u}}) d\mathbf{u}$$

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- ▶ If the bound is normalized, the c_i terms are removed.

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Maximize log of the bound to find covariance function parameters,

- ▶ If the bound is normalized, the c_i terms are removed.
- ▶ This results in the projected process approximation (Rasmussen and Williams, 2006) or DTC (Quiñonero Candela and Rasmussen, 2005). Proposed by (Smola and Bartlett, 2001; Seeger et al., 2003; Csató and Opper, 2002; Csató, 2002).

Relationship to Nyström Approximation

- ▶ Variational lower bound leads to Nyström style approximation (Williams and Seeger, 2001; Seeger et al., 2003). Relations to subset of regressors (Poggio and Girosi, 1990; Williams et al., 2002).

$$\mathbf{K} \approx \sigma^2 \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{K}_{\text{fu}} \mathbf{K}_{\text{uu}}^{-1} \mathbf{K}_{\text{uf}}$$

- ▶ Has probabilistic interpretation of

$$\mathbf{u} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{K}_{\text{uu}})$$

$$\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{u} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{K}_{\text{fu}} \mathbf{K}_{\text{uu}}^{-1} \mathbf{u}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$$

cf

$$\mathbf{w} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \alpha \mathbf{I})$$

$$\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{w} \sim \mathcal{N}(\Phi \mathbf{w}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$$

$$\mathbf{y} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \alpha \Phi \Phi^T + \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$$

Marginalising Latent Variables

- ▶ Integrating out \mathbf{Z} becomes possible variationally, because Gaussian expectations of

$$\log \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{f} | \mathbf{K}_{\mathbf{f}\mathbf{u}} \mathbf{K}_{\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}}^{-1} \mathbf{u}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$$

are now *tractable*

- ▶ Relies on computing expectations of $\mathbf{K}_{\mathbf{f}\mathbf{u}}$ and $\mathbf{K}_{\mathbf{u}\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{K}_{\mathbf{f}\mathbf{u}}$ under Gaussian density over \mathbf{Z} .

Apply Variational Inference Before Integration of \mathbf{u}

$$\int p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{u})p(\mathbf{u})d\mathbf{u} \geq \prod_{i=1}^n c_i \int \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{K}_{f,\mathbf{u}}\mathbf{K}_{\mathbf{u},\mathbf{u}}^{-1}\mathbf{u}, \sigma^2) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{u}|\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{K}_{\mathbf{u},\mathbf{u}}) d\mathbf{u}$$

Apply Variational Inference Before Integration of \mathbf{u}

$$\int p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{u})p(\mathbf{u})p(\mathbf{z})d\mathbf{u}d\mathbf{z} \geq \int q(\mathbf{z}) \log \frac{\prod_{i=1}^n c_i \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{K}_{f,\mathbf{u}}\mathbf{K}_{\mathbf{u},\mathbf{u}}^{-1}\mathbf{u}, \sigma^2) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{u}|\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{K}_{\mathbf{u},\mathbf{u}})}{q(\mathbf{z})} d\mathbf{u}$$

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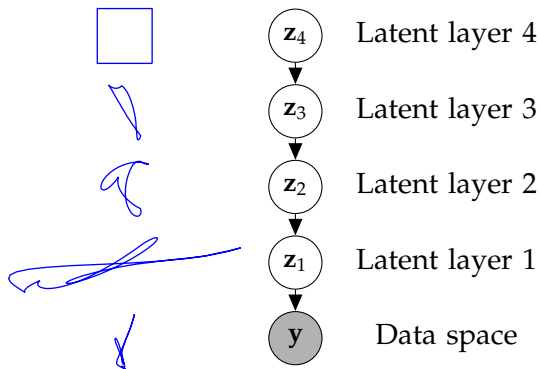
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Deep Gaussian Processes

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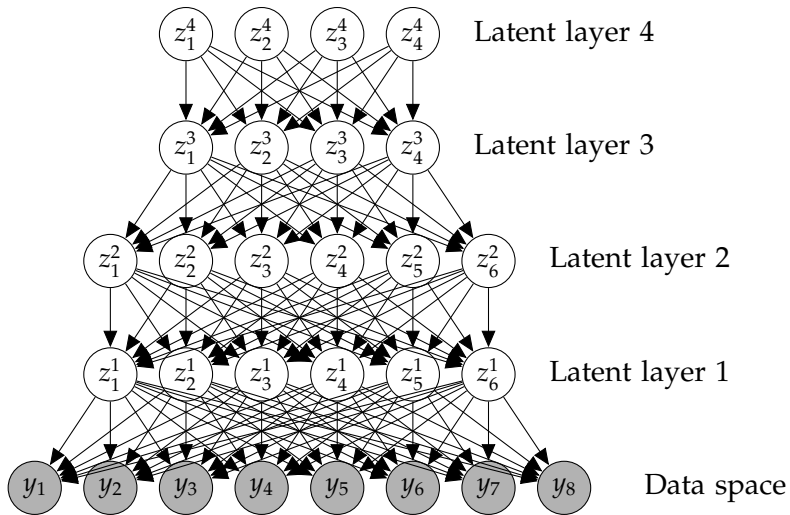
Abstract

In this paper we introduce deep Gaussian process (GP) models. Deep GPs are a deep belief network based on Gaussian process mappings. The data is modeled as the output of a multivariate GP. The inputs to that Gaussian process are then governed by another GP. A single layer model is equivalent to a standard GP or the GP latent variable model (GP-LVM). We perform inference in

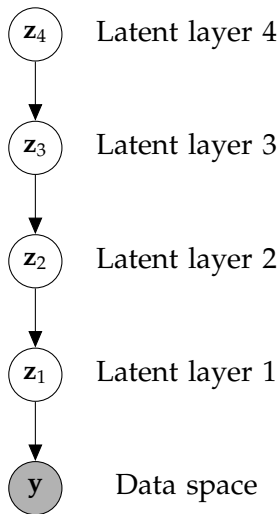
the question as to whether deep structures and the learning of abstract structure can be undertaken in *smaller* data sets. For smaller data sets, questions of generalization arise: to demonstrate such structures are justified it is useful to have an objective measure of the model's applicability.

The traditional approach to deep learning is based around binary latent variables and the restricted Boltzmann machine (RBM) [Hinton, 2010]. Deep hierarchies are constructed by stacking these models and various approximate inference techniques (such as contrastive divergence)

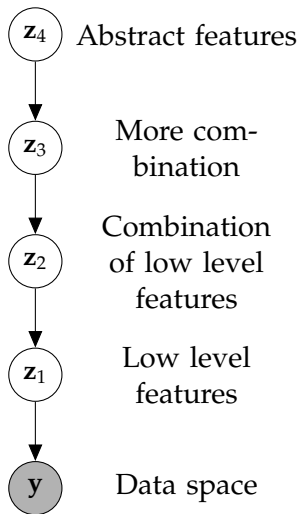
Deep Models



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Deep Gaussian Processes



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- ▶ Deep architectures allow abstraction of features (Bengio, 2009; Hinton and Osindero, 2006; Salakhutdinov and Murray, 2008).
- ▶ We use variational approach to stack GP models.

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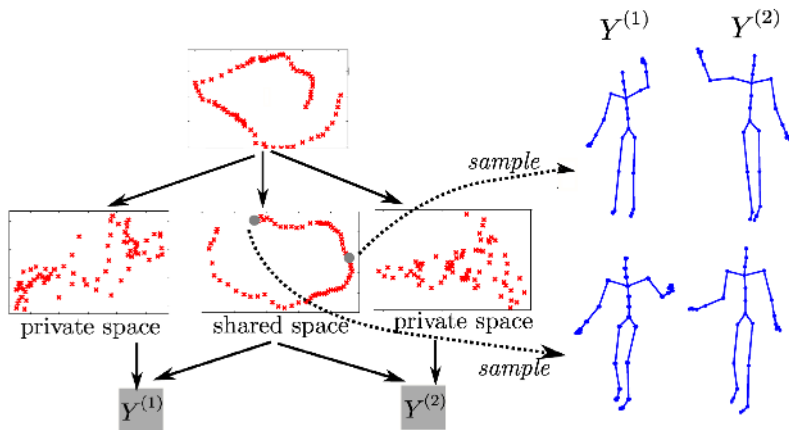
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Motion Capture

- ▶ 'High five' data.
- ▶ Model learns structure between two interacting subjects.

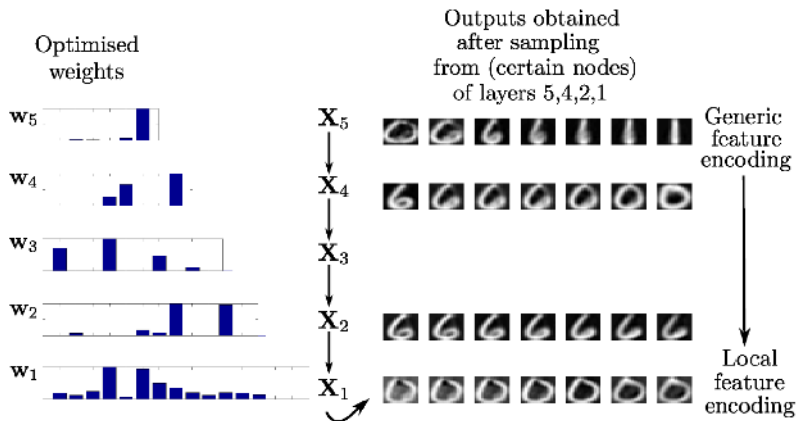
Deep hierarchies – motion capture



Digits Data Set

- ▶ Are deep hierarchies justified for small data sets?
- ▶ We can lower bound the evidence for different depths.
- ▶ For 150 6s, 0s and 1s from MNIST we found at least 5 layers are required.

Deep hierarchies – MNIST



Summary

- ▶ Deep Gaussian Processes allow unsupervised and supervised deep learning.
- ▶ They can be easily adapted to handle multitask learning.
- ▶ Data dimensionality turns out to not be a computational bottleneck.
- ▶ Variational compression algorithms show promise for scaling these models to *massive* data sets.

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