



BRUNO

A Deep Recurrent Model for Exchangeable Data



Objective of BRUNO:

To generate a sequence of images (or random variables) which is “unordered”



Exchangeable Random Variables

A stochastic process is exchangeable if for all n and all permutations π :


$$p(x_1, \dots, x_n) = p(x_{\pi(1)}, \dots, x_{\pi(n)})$$



Theorems for Exchangeability

- De Fenitti's Theorem: It states that a random infinitely exchangeable sequence can be factorised into mixture densities conditioned on some parameter θ which captures the underlying generative process i.e.

$$P(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \int p(\theta) \prod_{i=1}^n p(x_i | \theta) d(\theta)$$



In terms of predictive distributions $p(x_n|x_{1:n-1})$, the de Finetti equation can be written as

$$p(x_n|x_{1:n-1}) = \int p(x_n|\theta)p(\theta|x_{1:n-1})d\theta,$$



Problem

Integral in the equation is intractable

$$P(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \int p(\theta) \prod_{i=1}^n p(x_i | \theta) d(\theta)$$



Alternative to directly modeling de Finetti's Equation

Learn a mapping from input space to an exchangeable process



Gaussian Process:

A collection of random variables $\{f(x) : x \in X\}$ is said to be drawn from a Gaussian process with mean function $m(\cdot)$ and covariance function $k(\cdot, \cdot)$ if for any finite set of elements $x_1, \dots, x_m \in X$, the associated finite set of random variables $f(x_1), \dots, f(x_m)$ have distribution,

$$\begin{bmatrix} f(x_1) \\ \vdots \\ f(x_m) \end{bmatrix} \sim \mathcal{N} \left(\begin{bmatrix} m(x_1) \\ \vdots \\ m(x_m) \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} k(x_1, x_1) & \cdots & k(x_1, x_m) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ k(x_m, x_1) & \cdots & k(x_m, x_m) \end{bmatrix} \right).$$



Conditional Distribution of Multivariate Distribution

$$Y \sim N(\mu, \Sigma) \quad \mu = \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{11} & \Sigma_{12} \\ \Sigma_{21} & \Sigma_{22} \end{bmatrix} \quad Y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(y_1 | y_2 = \mathbf{a}) \sim \mathcal{N}(\bar{\mu}, \bar{\Sigma}),$$

$$\bar{\mu} = \mu_1 + \Sigma_{12} \Sigma_{22}^{-1} (\mathbf{a} - \mu_2)$$

$$\bar{\Sigma} = \Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12} \Sigma_{22}^{-1} \Sigma_{21}$$



Exchangeable Gaussian Process

Covariance matrix of Gaussian Process can be defined in such way that the process becomes exchangeable.

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} v & \rho & \rho & \dots & \rho \\ \rho & v & \rho & \dots & \rho \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \rho & \rho & \rho & \dots & v \end{bmatrix} \quad 0 \leq \rho < v$$



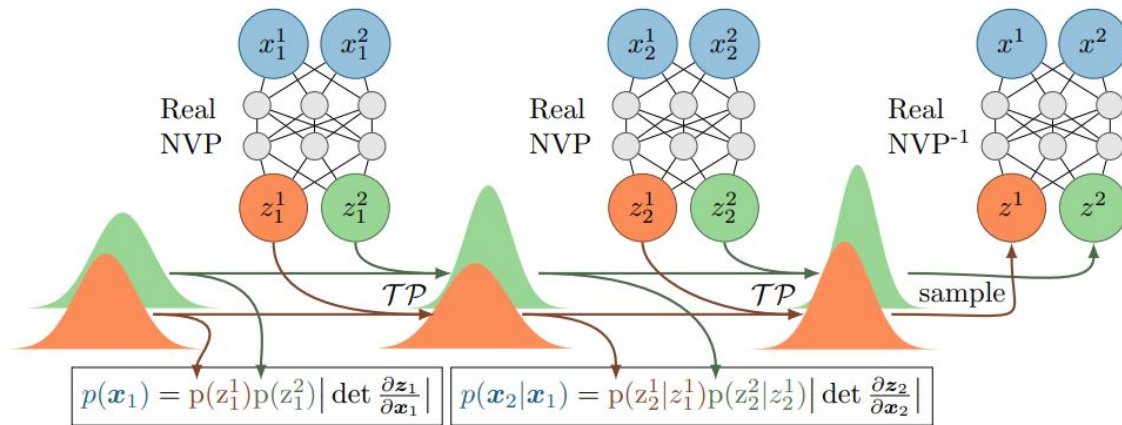
Recurrent Updates

Since the structure of covariance matrix is simple, we can derive recurrent updates.

$$\mu_{n+1} = (1 - d_n)\mu_n + d_n z_n, \quad v_{n+1} = (1 - d_n)v_n + d_n(v - \rho)$$

Normalization Flow:

Use Real NVP to learn a bijective mapping from input space to Exchangeable Gaussian Process.





Training:

Maximize the the joint log-likelihood

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \log p(\mathbf{x}_{n+1} | \mathbf{x}_{1:n})$$



Other Application: Few Shot Learning

Model	n=1,k=5	n=5,k=5	n=1,k=20	n=5,k=20
Matching Nets	98.1%	98.9%	93.8%	98.5%
BRUNO	86.3%	95.6%	69.2%	87.7%
BRUNO finetuned	97.1%	99.4%	91.3%	97.8%



Related Papers on Exchangeability

1. Deep Sets (<https://arxiv.org/abs/1703.06114>)
2. Set Transformer (<https://arxiv.org/abs/1810.00825>)
3. Conditional BRUNO (<http://bayesiandeeplearning.org/2018/papers/40.pdf>)
4. Learning Permutation Invariant Representation using Memory Networks (<https://arxiv.org/abs/1911.07984>)



Thank You!