

# Poisson Latent Feature Calculus for Generalized Indian Buffet Processes

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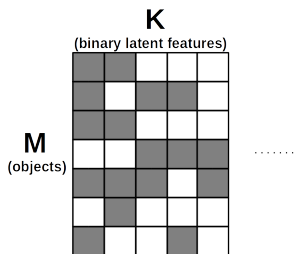
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# Overview of the paper

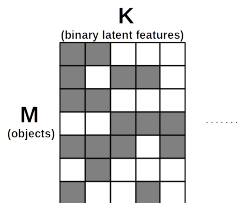
- Proposes generalized notions of the Indian Buffet Process (IBP)



- Allows principled extensions of the standard IBP to more general settings involving **non-binary latent features**
- Provides a unified and (perhaps) simpler/cleaner treatment than some other recent attempts to such problems
- Also allows extensions to **multivariate** latent features (each latent feature can be a vector - multinomial or a general multivariate vector)
- Based on ideas from Poisson Partition Calculus (proposed earlier by the same author)

# The IBP

- A nonparametric Bayesian prior on random binary matrices  $Z = [Z_1; \dots; Z_M]$  with  $M$  rows and unbounded number of columns



- Prior denoted as  $IBP(\theta)$ :  $\theta > 0$ , with latent features  $\tilde{\omega}_k, k = 1, 2, \dots$
- Entry  $(i, k) = 1$  if object  $i$  has latent feature  $k$ , zero otherwise
- Generative model: Customers (objects) selecting dishes (latent features)
  - Customer 1 selects  $\text{Poisson}(\theta)$  dishes
  - Customer  $i$  selects each already selected dish  $k$  with prob.  $m_k/i$  (where  $m_k$  is # of previous customers who chose dish  $k$ ), and  $\text{Poisson}(\theta/i)$  new dishes

# Generalization of the IBP

Standard  $IBP(\theta)$ :  $Z_1, \dots, Z_M \mid \mu$

- $\mu = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} p_k \delta_{\tilde{\omega}_k}$
- Atoms  $\tilde{\omega}_k$  drawn from a base measure  $B_0$
- $p_k$ : points from a Poisson random measure with a **restricted** mean intensity  $\rho(s) = \theta s^{-1} \mathbb{I}_{\{0 < s < 1\}}$
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Can also think of  $A_{i,k} = b_{i,k} A'_{i,k}$  where  $b_{i,k}$  is binary and  $A'_{i,k}$  is a general r.v. (akin to a “spike-and-slab” construction)

# This Paper

Proposes IBP generalizations of the following form

- $\mu = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \tau_k \delta_{\tilde{\omega}_k}$
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IBP generalizations that work with any  $G_A$  and any  $\rho$ , so long as

- $G_A$  admits a positive mass at 0 and  $\rho$  is a finite measure

The constructions rely on Poisson Partition Calculus (PPC)

Conjugacy not a requirement

No need for combinatorial arguments or long proofs

# Notations

Recall  $Z_1, \dots, Z_M \mid \mu$  where  $\mu = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \tau_k \delta_{\tilde{\omega}_k}$

Can express  $\mu(d\omega) = \int_0^{\infty} sN(ds, d\omega)$

$N = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \delta_{\tau_k, \tilde{\omega}_k}$  is a Poisson random measure (PRM) with mean intensity

$$\mathbb{E}[N(ds, d\omega)] = \rho(s \mid \omega) ds B_0(d\omega) := \nu(ds, d\omega)$$

Some notations:

- $N$  as  $\text{PRM}(\rho B_0)$  or  $\text{PRM}(\nu)$ , or  $\mathcal{P}(\nu)$
- $\mu$  is a completely random measure  $\text{CRM}(\rho B_0)$  or  $\text{CRM}(\nu)$
- $Z_1, \dots, Z_M \mid \mu$  as iid  $\text{IBP}(G_A \mid \mu)$
- The marginal distribution of  $Z_i$  as  $\text{IBP}(A \mid \rho B_0)$  or  $\text{IBP}(A, \nu)$

# The General Scheme

- Generally apply the Poisson Calculus
- Describe  $N|Z_1, \dots, Z_M$
- Consequently describe  $\mu|Z_1, \dots, Z_M$
- Describe the marginal structure  $\mathbb{P}(Z_1, \dots, Z_M)$  via integration
- Provide descriptions for the marginal

$$Z = \sum_{k=1}^{\xi(\varphi)} X_k \delta_{\tilde{\omega}_k}$$

and introduce variables  $(H_i, X_i)$  leading to tractable sampling for many  $\rho$

- Describe  $Z_{M+1}|Z_1, \dots, Z_M$



# Two Ingredients from Poisson Partition Calculus

- Laplace functional exponential change: updating a Poisson random measure

$$e^{-N(f)}\mathcal{P}(dN|\nu) = \mathcal{P}(dN|\nu_f)e^{-\Psi(f)}$$

where  $\nu_f(ds, d\omega) = e^{-f(s,\omega)}\rho(s|\omega)dsB_0(d\omega)$  and  $e^{-\Psi(f)} = \mathbb{E}_\nu[e^{-N(f)}]$  and

$$\Psi(f) = \int_{\Omega} \int_0^{\infty} (1 - e^{-f(s,\omega)})\rho(s|\omega)dsB_0(d\omega)$$

- Using  $\nu_f$ , apply the moment measure calculation

$$\left[ \prod_{i=1}^L N(dW_i) \right] \mathcal{P}(dN|\nu_f) = \mathcal{P}(dN|\nu_f, \mathbf{s}, \omega) \prod_{\ell=1}^K e^{-f(s_\ell, \omega_\ell)} \nu(ds_\ell, d\omega_\ell)$$

where  $\mathcal{P}(dN|\nu_f, \mathbf{s}, \omega)$  corresponds to the law of the random measure

$$\tilde{N} + \sum_{\ell=1}^K \delta_{s_\ell, \omega_\ell} \quad \text{where } \tilde{N} \text{ is also PRM}(\nu_f)$$

# Joint Distribution

- Joint distribution of  $\mathbf{A}$  (or, equivalently, of  $Z = [Z_1; \dots; Z_M]$ )

$$\prod_{i=1}^M \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} [G_A(da_{i,j}|\tau_j)]^{\mathbb{I}_{\{a_{i,j} \neq 0\}}} [1 - \mathbb{P}(A \neq 0|\tau_j)]^{1 - \mathbb{I}_{\{a_{i,j} \neq 0\}}}$$

and setting  $\pi_A(s) = \mathbb{P}(A \neq 0|s)$ , the above becomes

$$e^{-\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} [-M \log(1 - \pi_A(\tau_j))]} \prod_{i=1}^M \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{G_A(da_{i,j}|\tau_j)}{1 - \pi_A(\tau_j)} \right]^{\mathbb{I}_{\{a_{i,j} \neq 0\}}}$$

- After some further simplifications, the joint distribution of  $((Z_1, \dots, Z_M), (J_1, \dots, J_K), N)$  where  $(J_1 = s_1, \dots, J_K = s_K)$  are the unique jumps, becomes

$$\mathcal{P}(dN | \nu_{f_M}, \mathbf{s}, \omega) e^{-\Psi(f_M)} \prod_{\ell=1}^K [1 - \pi_A(s_\ell)]^M \rho(s_\ell | \omega_\ell) B_0(d\omega_\ell) \prod_{i=1}^M h_{i,\ell}(s_\ell)$$

where  $h_{i,\ell}(s) = \left[ \frac{G_A(da_{i,\ell}|s)}{1 - \pi_A(s)} \right]^{\mathbb{I}_{\{a_{i,\ell} \neq 0\}}}$  and

$$\Psi(f) = \int_{\Omega} \int_0^{\infty} (1 - [1 - \pi_A(s)]^M) \rho(s | \omega) ds B_0(d\omega)$$

# Posterior and Marginal Distribution

- Integrating out  $N$  leads to the joint distribution of  $((Z_i), (J_\ell))$

$$e^{-\Psi(f_M)} \prod_{\ell=1}^K [1 - \pi_A(s_\ell)]^M \rho(s_\ell | \omega_\ell) B_0(d\omega_\ell) \prod_{i=1}^M h_{i,\ell}(s_\ell)$$

- $(J_\ell) | (Z_i)$  are conditionally independent with density

$$\mathbb{P}_{\ell,M}(J_\ell \in ds) \propto [1 - \pi_A(s)]^M \rho(s | \omega_\ell) \prod_{i=1}^M h_{i,\ell}(s) ds$$

- .. and the marginal of  $(Z_1, \dots, Z_M)$  is

$$\mathbb{P}(Z_1, \dots, Z_M) = e^{-\Psi(f_M)} \prod_{\ell=1}^K \left[ \int_0^\infty [1 - \pi_A(s)]^M \rho(s | \omega_\ell) \prod_{i=1}^M h_{i,\ell}(s) ds \right] B_0(d\omega_\ell)$$

# Main Result

Notation:  $\nu_{f_M}(ds, d\omega) := \rho_M(s|\omega)B_0(d\omega)ds$  where  $\rho_M(s|\omega) = [1 - \pi_A(s)]^M \rho(s|\omega)$

**Theorem:** Suppose that  $Z_1, \dots, Z_M | \mu$  are iid  $\text{IBP}(G_A | \mu)$ ,  $\mu$  is  $\text{CRM}(\rho B_0)$ , then

- The posterior distribution of  $N | Z_1, \dots, Z_M$  is equivalent to the distribution of

$$N_M + \sum_{\ell=1}^K \delta_{J_\ell, \omega_\ell}$$

where  $N_M$  is  $\text{PRM}(\rho_M B_0)$ , and the distribution of  $(J_\ell)$  is (cf, previous slide)

- The posterior distribution of  $\mu | Z_1, \dots, Z_M$  is equivalent to the distribution of

$$\mu_M + \sum_{\ell=1}^K J_\ell \delta_{\omega_\ell} \quad \text{where } \mu_M \text{ is } \text{CRM}(\rho_M B_0)$$

- The marginal distribution of  $(Z_1, \dots, Z_M)$  is (cf, previous slide)

**Proposition:** Suppose  $Z_1, \dots, Z_M, Z_{M+1} | \mu$  are iid  $\text{IBP}(G_A | \mu)$  then

$$Z_{M+1} | Z_1, \dots, Z_M \sim \tilde{Z}_{M+1} + \sum_{\ell=1}^K A_\ell \delta_{\omega_\ell}$$

where  $\tilde{Z}_{M+1}$  is  $\text{IBP}(A, \rho_M B_0)$  and each  $A_\ell | J_\ell = s$  has distribution  $G_A(da | s)$

# Special Cases: Bernoulli, Poisson, Negative-Binomial

- Bernoulli:  $G_A(\cdot|s) = \text{Bernoulli}(s)$

$$\mathbb{P}(A = 0|s) = 1 - \pi_A(s) = 1 - s$$

- Poisson:  $G_A(\cdot|s) = \text{Poisson}(bs)$

$$\mathbb{P}(A = 0|s) = 1 - \pi_A(s) = e^{-bs}$$

- Negative Binomial:  $G_A(\cdot|s) = \text{NB}(r, s)$  where  $r$  is the overdispersion param.

$$\mathbb{P}(A = 0|s) = 1 - \pi_A(s) = (1 - s)^r$$

- Setting  $c_{\ell, M} = \sum_{i=1}^M a_{i, \ell}$ , we have  $\prod_{i=1}^M h_{i\ell}(s)$  given by

$$\left(\frac{s}{1-s}\right)^{c_{\ell, M}}, \frac{b^{c_{\ell, M}} s^{c_{\ell, M}}}{\prod_{i=1}^M a_{i, \ell}!}, \quad \text{and} \quad s^{c_{\ell, M}} \prod_{i=1}^M \binom{a_{i, \ell} + r - 1}{a_{i, \ell}}$$

for Bernoulli, Poisson, and NB cases, respectively (for the homogeneous case  $\rho(s)$ ; the case  $\rho(s|\omega)$  can be likewise worked out)

# Describing posterior, marginal, and other quantities

- Specify  $G_A(s)$
- Identify  $\pi_A(s) = \mathbb{P}(A \neq 0|s)$
- For each  $M = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , define  $\rho_M(s) = [1 - \pi_A(s)]^M \rho(s|\omega)$
- Specify  $N_M \sim PRM(\rho_M B_0)$ ,  $\mu_M \sim CRM(\rho_M B_0)$  and  $\tilde{Z}_{M+1} \sim IBP(A, \rho_M B_0)$
- Identify  $h_{i,\ell}(s)$  and if possible try to simplify  $\prod_{i=1}^M h_{i,\ell}(s)$  where

$$h_{i,\ell}(s) = \left[ \frac{G_A(da_{i,\ell}|s_\ell)}{1 - \pi_A(s_\ell)} \right]^{\mathbb{1}_{\{a_{i,\ell} \neq 0\}}}$$

- Use this to get the distribution of  $(J_\ell)$  and the marginal of  $(Z_1, \dots, Z_M)$

# Steps for sequential generalized IBP construction

- For each  $M = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  define  $\rho_M(s) = [1 - \pi_A(s)]^M \rho(s)$
- Calculate and check

$$\varphi_{M+1}(\rho) = \int_0^\infty \pi_A(s) \rho_M(s) ds < \infty$$

- Then if  $\tilde{Z}_{M+1}$  is IBP( $A, \rho_M B_0$ ),

$$\tilde{Z}_{M+1} = \sum_{k=1}^{\xi(\varphi)} X_k \delta_{\tilde{\omega}_k}$$

where  $\varphi := \varphi_{M+1}(\rho)$  and  $\xi(\varphi)$  is a Poisson( $\varphi$ ) r.v., and  $(X_k)$  are taken from an IBP( $A, \rho_M$ ) process  $((X_i, H_i))$

- $X_i | H_i = s$  has distribution  $\frac{\mathbb{I}_{\{a \neq 0\}} G_A(da|s)}{\pi_A(s)}$  and  $H_i$  has marginal density  $\frac{\pi_A(s) \rho_M(s)}{\varphi_{M+1}(\rho)}$
- $X_i$  has marginal distribution  $\mathbb{P}(X_i \in da) = \frac{\mathbb{I}_{\{a \neq 0\}} \int_0^\infty G_A(da|s) \rho_M(s) ds}{\varphi_{M+1}(\rho)}$  and the distribution of  $H_i | X_i = a$  is given by  $\mathbb{P}(H_i \in ds | X_i = a) = \frac{\mathbb{I}_{\{a \neq 0\}} G_A(da|s) \rho_M(s) ds}{\int_0^\infty G_A(da|v) \rho_M(v) dv}$

# Generalized IBP: The Sequential Generative Process

Sequential generative process for  $\text{IBP}(A, \rho B_0)$ :

- Customer 1 selects dishes and **scores them** according to  $\text{IBP}(A, \rho B_0)$  as
  - Draw  $\text{Poisson}(\varphi_1(\rho)) = J$  number of variables
  - Draw  $((\omega_1, H_1), \dots, (\omega_J, H_J))$  iid from  $B_0$  and distribution for  $H_i$  with  $M = 0$
  - Draw  $X_i|H_i$ , for  $i = 1, \dots, J$ , or draw  $X_i$  directly (if so possible)
- After  $M$  customers have chosen  $K$  dishes  $\omega_1, \dots, \omega_K$ , customer  $M + 1$ :
  - Selects/skips each existing dish  $\omega_\ell$  and scores (if selected) it according to  $A_\ell$ , where  $A_\ell|J_\ell$  has distribution  $G_A(da|J_\ell)$ . The probability that  $A_\ell|J_\ell$  takes value zero is  $1 - \pi_A(J_\ell)$
  - Also chooses and scores new dishes according to  $\text{IBP}(A, \rho_M B_0)$  process  $\tilde{Z}_{M+1}$  with  $\rho_M(s) = [1 - \pi_A(s)]^M \rho(s)$

Note: Specific cases when  $A$  is Poisson and Negative-Binomial are shown in the paper (sec 4.1 and 4.2)



# Multivariate Generalizations

Multivariate CRM is also considered. Generalizes the IBP for vector-valued  $A_{i,k}$

- Consider  $\mu_0 = (\mu_j, j = 1, \dots, q)$  with  $\mu_j = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} p_{j,k} \delta_{\tilde{\omega}_k}$  (note: all  $\mu_j$ 's assumed to the same base measure)
- $\mu_{\cdot} = \sum_{j=1}^q \mu_j = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} p_{\cdot,k} \delta_{\tilde{\omega}_k}$  for  $p_{\cdot,k} = \sum_{j=1}^q p_{j,k}$
- The multivariate CRM  $\mu_0$  can be constructed from a Poisson random measure on  $(\mathbb{R}_+^q, \Omega)$

$$N := \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \delta_{\mathbf{p}_{q,k}, \tilde{\omega}_k} \quad \text{where } \mathbf{p}_{q,k} = (p_{1,k}, \dots, p_{q,k})$$

**A simple case (sec 5.1 in the paper):** Multinomial extension of the IBP. The joint probability of the  $M \times K$  IBP “matrix” (each entry a multinomial vector)

$$\left[ \prod_{\ell=1}^K \prod_{j=1}^q \left( \frac{p_{j,\ell}}{1 - p_{\cdot,\ell}} \right)^{c_{j,\ell,M}} \right] e^{-M \sum_{j=1}^q [-\log(1 - p_{\cdot,j})]}$$

.. akin to an “IBP with a condiment”. All the theorems generalize for this case too. Other multivariate generalizations also possible (sec 5.2 in the paper)

# Multivariate Generalizations

**A more general case (sec 5.2):**

Let  $A_0 := (A_1, \dots, A_v) \in \mathbb{R}^v$  with distribution  $G_{A_0}(\cdot | \mathbf{s}_q)$  where  $\mathbf{s}_q \in \mathbb{R}_+^q$

$1 - \pi_{A_0} = \mathbb{P}(A_1 = 0, \dots, A_v = 0 | \mathbf{s}_q) > 0$

Define a vector-valued process  $Z_0^{(i)} := (Z_1^{(i)}, \dots, Z_v^{(i)})$  where  $Z_j^{(i)} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} A_{j,k}^{(i)} \delta_{\tilde{\omega}_k}$

$$Z_{\cdot}^{(i)} = \sum_{j=1}^v Z_j^{(i)} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} A_{\cdot,k}^{(i)} \delta_{\tilde{\omega}_k}$$

For each  $(i, k)$ ,  $A_{0,k}^{(i)} := (A_{1,k}^{(i)}, \dots, A_{v,k}^{(i)})$  is independent  $G_{A_0}(\cdot | \mathbf{s}_{q,k})$  where  $\mathbf{s}_{q,k}$  are vector-valued points of a PRM with intensity  $\rho_q(\cdot | \omega)$

We say that  $Z_0^{(1)}, \dots, Z_0^{(M)} | \mu_0$  are iid IBP( $G_{A_0} | \mu_0$ ), with the likelihood being

$$e^{-\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} [-M \log(1 - \pi_{A_0}(\mathbf{s}_{q,j}))]} \prod_{i=1}^M \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{G_{A_0}(d\mathbf{a}_{0,j}^{(i)} | \mathbf{s}_{q,j})}{1 - \pi_{A_0}(\mathbf{s}_{q,j})} \right]^{\mathbb{I}_{\{a_{i,j} \neq 0\}}}$$

Thanks! Questions?