



# Beta-Negative Binomial Process and Poisson Factor Analysis

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## Introduction

A beta-negative binomial (BNB) process is proposed, leading to a beta-gamma-Poisson process, which may be viewed as a “multi-scoop” generalization of the beta-Bernoulli process.

➤The BNB process is augmented into a beta-gamma-gamma-Poisson hierarchical structure, and applied as a nonparametric Bayesian prior for an infinite Poisson factor analysis model.

➤A finite approximation for the beta process Levy random measure is constructed for convenient implementation.

➤Efficient MCMC computations are performed with data augmentation and marginalization techniques.

➤Encouraging results are shown on document count matrix factorization.

## Beta-Negative Binomial Process

### Negative binomial distribution

$$f_X(k) = \int_0^{\infty} \text{Pois}(k; \lambda) \text{Gamma}\left(\lambda; r, \frac{p}{1-p}\right) d\lambda$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(r+k)}{k! \Gamma(r)} (1-p)^r p^k$$

### Beta process

$$\nu_{\text{BP}}(dpd\omega) = cp^{-1}(1-p)^{c-1} dp B_0(d\omega) \quad B = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} p_k \delta_{\omega_k}$$

### Marked beta process

$$\nu_{\text{BP}}^*(dpdrd\omega) = cp^{-1}(1-p)^{c-1} dp R_0(dr) B_0(d\omega) \quad B^* = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} p_k \delta_{(r_k, \omega_k)}$$

### Negative binomial process $X_i \sim \text{NBP}(B^*)$

$$X_i = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \kappa_{ki} \delta_{(r_k, \omega_k)}, \quad \kappa_{ki} \sim \text{NB}(r_k, p_k)$$

### Gamma Poisson process $X_i \sim \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{T}(B^*))$

$$\kappa_{ki} \sim \text{Pois}(\theta_{ki}), \quad \theta_{ki} \sim \text{Gamma}(r_k, p_k / (1-p_k))$$

### Posterior

$$B^* \{ \{X_i\}_{1,n} \} \sim \text{BP}\left(c_n, \frac{c}{c_n} R_0 B_0 + \frac{1}{c_n} \sum_{i=1}^n m_{nk} \delta_{(r_k, \omega_k)}\right)$$

$$c_n = \begin{cases} c + m_{nk} + nr_k, & \text{if } (r, \omega) = (r_k, \omega_k) \in \mathcal{D} \\ c + nr, & \text{if } (r, \omega) \in (\mathbb{R}^+ \times \Omega) \setminus \mathcal{D} \end{cases}$$

## Poisson Factor Analysis

### Finite approximation

$$\nu_{\text{eBP}}^*(dpdrd\omega) = cp^{c\epsilon-1}(1-p)^{c(1-\epsilon)-1} dp R_0(dr) B_0(d\omega)$$

$$\nu_{\text{eBP}}^+ = \nu_{\text{eBP}}^*([0, 1] \times \mathbb{R}^+ \times \Omega) = c\gamma\alpha B(c\epsilon, c(1-\epsilon))$$

$$K \sim \text{Pois}(\nu_{\text{eBP}}^+) = \text{Pois}(c\gamma\alpha B(c\epsilon, c(1-\epsilon)))$$

### Count matrix factorization

$$X = \text{Pois}(\Phi\Theta) \quad \Phi \in \mathbb{R}^{P \times K} \quad \Theta \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times N}$$

### Augmentation 1 (addition)

$$x_{pi} = \sum_{k=1}^K x_{pik}, \quad x_{pik} \sim \text{Pois}(\phi_{pk} \theta_{ki})$$

### Augmentation 2 (thinning)

$$x_{pi} \sim \text{Pois}\left(\sum_{k=1}^K \phi_{pk} \theta_{ki}\right), \quad \zeta_{pik} = \frac{\phi_{pk} \theta_{ki}}{\sum_{k=1}^K \phi_{pk} \theta_{ki}}$$

$$[x_{p11}, \dots, x_{p1K}] \sim \text{Mult}(x_{p1}, \zeta_{p11}, \dots, \zeta_{p1K})$$

### BNB process Poisson factor analysis

$$x_{pi} = \sum_{k=1}^K x_{pik}, \quad x_{pik} \sim \text{Pois}(\phi_{pk} \theta_{ki})$$

$$\phi_k \sim \text{Dir}(a_\phi, \dots, a_\phi)$$

$$\theta_{ki} \sim \text{Gamma}\left(r_k, \frac{p_k}{1-p_k}\right)$$

$$r_k \sim \text{Gamma}(c_0 r_0, 1/c_0)$$

$$p_k \sim \text{Beta}(c\epsilon, c(1-\epsilon)).$$

## MCMC Inference

$$x_{.ik} = \sum_{p=1}^P x_{pik}, \quad x_{p.k} = \sum_{i=1}^N x_{pik}, \quad x_{..k} = \sum_{p=1}^P \sum_{i=1}^N x_{pik} \quad \text{and} \quad x_{.i.} = \sum_{p=1}^P \sum_{k=1}^K x_{pik}$$

$$[x_{p11}, \dots, x_{p1K}] \sim \text{Mult}(x_{p1}, \zeta_{p11}, \dots, \zeta_{p1K}) \quad \zeta_{pik} = \frac{\phi_{pk} \theta_{ki}}{\sum_{k=1}^K \phi_{pk} \theta_{ki}}$$

$$p(\phi_k | -) \sim \text{Dir}(a_\phi + x_{1.k}, \dots, a_\phi + x_{P.k})$$

$$p(p_k | -) \sim \text{Beta}(c\epsilon + x_{.k}, c(1-\epsilon) + N r_k)$$

$$p(\theta_{ki} | -) \sim \text{Gamma}(r_k + x_{.ik}, p_k)$$

$$p(r_k | -) \propto \text{Gamma}(r_k; c_0 r_0, 1/c_0) \prod_{i=1}^N \text{NB}(x_{.ik}; r_k, p_k)$$

## Example Results

Table 1: Algorithms related to PFA under various prior settings. The gamma scale and shape parameters and the sparsity of the factor scores are controlled by  $p_k$ ,  $r_k$  and  $z_{ki}$ , respectively.

PFA priors	Infer $p_k$	Infer $r_k$	Infer $z_{ki}$	Infer $K$	Related algorithms
$\Gamma$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	NMF
Dir	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	LDA
$\beta\Gamma$	$\checkmark$	$\times$	$\times$	$\checkmark$	GaP
$S\gamma\Gamma$	$\times$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	FTM
$\beta\gamma\Gamma$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\times$	$\checkmark$	

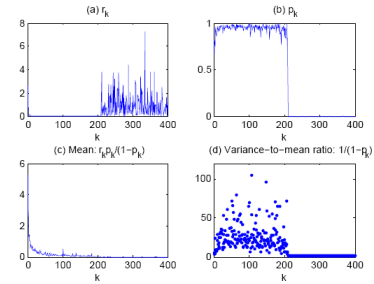


Figure 1: Inferred  $r_k$ ,  $p_k$ , mean  $r_k p_k / (1-p_k)$  and variance-to-mean ratio  $1/(1-p_k)$  for each factor by  $\beta\gamma\Gamma$ -PFA with  $a_\phi = 0.05$ . The factors are shown in decreasing order based on the total number of word counts assigned to them. Of the  $K_{\text{max}} = 400$  possible factors, there are 209 active factors assigned nonzero counts. The results are obtained on the training count matrix of the PsyRev corpus based on the last MCMC iteration.

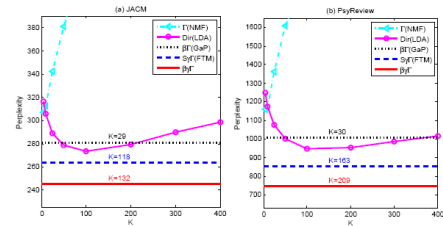


Figure 2: Per-word perplexities on the test count matrix for (a) JACM and (b) PsyRev with  $a_\phi = 0.05$ . The results of  $\Gamma$ - and Dir-PFAs are a function of  $K$ .  $\beta\Gamma$ -,  $S\gamma\Gamma$ - and  $\beta\gamma\Gamma$ -PFAs all automatically infer the number of active factors, with the number at the last MCMC iteration shown on top of the corresponding lines.

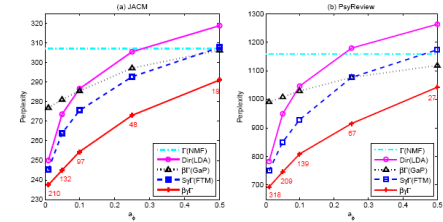


Figure 3: Per-word perplexities on the test count matrix of (a) JACM and (b) PsyRev as a function of the factor loading (topic) Dirichlet prior  $a_\phi \in \{0.01, 0.05, 0.1, 0.25, 0.5\}$ . The results of  $\Gamma$ - and Dir-PFAs are shown with the best settings of  $K$  under each  $a_\phi$ . The number of active factors under each  $a_\phi$  are all automatically inferred by  $\beta\Gamma$ -,  $S\gamma\Gamma$ - and  $\beta\gamma\Gamma$ -PFAs. The number of active factors inferred by  $\beta\gamma\Gamma$ -PFA at the last MCMC interaction are shown under the corresponding points.