

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL TO “CONCENTRATION OF TEMPERED POSTERIORIS AND OF THEIR VARIATIONAL APPROXIMATIONS”

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In this document, we provide the toy example announced in the paper, where the MLE (and thus the MAP) are not defined. Then, we show that there is a variational approximation that leads to a consistent estimator. This also implies that the tempered posterior is also consistent in this case.

Consistency of variational approximations in a model where the MAP and the MLE are not defined.

Description of the model. We define the statistical model

$$P_\theta = \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{N}(m, \sigma^2) + \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

for $\theta = (m, \sigma^2) \in \Theta = \mathbb{R} \times (0, 1)$. Let g_θ denote the density of P_θ with respect to the Lebesgue measure.

The prior π is given by: $m \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ and $\sigma^2 \sim \mathcal{U}(0, 1)$ (uniform distribution).

Non-existence of the MLE. It is easy to check that when X_1, \dots, X_n are i.i.d from $P_{(m_0, \sigma_0^2)}$ then the likelihood function

$$\begin{aligned} L_n(m, \sigma^2) &= \prod_{i=1}^n g_{(m, \sigma^2)}(X_i) \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\sqrt{2\pi})^n} \prod_{i=1}^n \left[\frac{\exp\left(-\frac{(X_i - m)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)}{\sqrt{\sigma^2}} + \exp\left(-\frac{X_i^2}{2}\right) \right] \\ &\geq \frac{1}{(2\sqrt{2\pi})^n} \frac{\exp\left(-\frac{(X_i - m)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)}{\sqrt{\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\sum_{j \neq i} \frac{X_j^2}{2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

satisfies, for any i ,

$$L_n(X_i, \sigma^2) \xrightarrow{\sigma^2 \rightarrow 0} \infty.$$

Thus, the MLE is not defined. For the same reason, the MAP does not exist either.

A variational approximation family. We define a family \mathcal{F} that will lead to a consistent estimation. Note that in this case, the variational approximation is not meant to be helpful for computational purposes. On the other hand, it is a very natural one. Indeed, the problem with the MLE is that the likelihood has huge variations around each X_i . We will here smooth these variations, creating a kind of maximum of the local mean value of the likelihood. Take the set \mathcal{F} as the set of uniform distributions $\rho_{a,b,c,d}$ over $[a-c, a+c] \times [b-d, b]$, with $(a, b, c, d) \in \mathcal{P} = \{(a, b, c, d) \in \mathbb{R}^4 : b \in (0, 1), c > 0, 0 < d < b\}$. So we remind that the estimator is then defined as $\tilde{\pi}_{n,\alpha}(d\theta|X_1^n) = \rho_{\hat{a},\hat{b},\hat{c},\hat{d}}$ where

$$(\hat{a}, \hat{b}, \hat{c}, \hat{d}) = \arg \min_{(a,b,c,d) \in \mathcal{P}} \left\{ -\alpha \int \sum_{i=1}^n \log g_{(m,\sigma^2)}(X_i) \rho_{a,b,c,d}(d(m, \sigma^2)) + \mathcal{K}(\rho_{a,b,c,d}, \pi) \right\}.$$

Note that the family \mathcal{F} is inspired by Catoni's point of view [2] to use a "perturbed MLE" in PAC-Bayesian bounds. An application of Theorem 2.6 leads to the following result.

PROPOSITION 0.1. *For any $\alpha \in (0, 1)$,*

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\int D_\alpha(P_\theta, P_{\theta_0}) \tilde{\pi}_{n,\alpha}(d\theta|X_1^n) \right] \leq \frac{1.5 \log \left(\frac{2n}{\sigma_0^2} \right) + m_0^2 + 1.23}{n(1-\alpha)}.$$

As a corollary, we also have that the tempered posterior $\pi_{n,\alpha}(\cdot|X_1^n)$ satisfies the same inequality.

Proof of Proposition 0.1. Theorem 2.6 gives

$$(0.1) \quad \mathbb{E} \left[\int D_\alpha(P_\theta, P_{\theta_0}) \tilde{\pi}_{n,\alpha}(d\theta|X_1^n) \right] \leq \inf_{(a,b,c,d) \in \mathcal{P}} \left\{ \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} \int \mathcal{K}(P_{(m_0,\sigma_0^2)}, P_{(m,\sigma)}) \rho_{a,b,c,d}(d(m, \sigma^2)) + \frac{\mathcal{K}(\rho_{a,b,c,d}, \pi)}{n(1-\alpha)} \right\}.$$

We then have:

$$\mathcal{K}(P_{(m_0,\sigma_0^2)}, P_{(m,\sigma^2)}) = \mathcal{K} \left(\frac{1}{2} \mathcal{N}(m_0, \sigma_0^2) + \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{N}(0, 1), \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{N}(m, \sigma^2) + \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{N}(0, 1) \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{N}(m_0, \sigma_0^2), \mathcal{N}(m, \sigma^2)) \quad (\text{Theorem 11 in [5]}) \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} \left[\frac{(m_0 - m)^2}{\sigma^2} + \log \left(\frac{\sigma^2}{\sigma_0^2} \right) + \frac{\sigma_0^2 - \sigma^2}{\sigma^2} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

Assume that $m \in [m_0 - \sqrt{\delta\sigma_0^2}, m_0 + \sqrt{\delta\sigma_0^2}]$ and $\sigma^2 \in [\sigma_0^2 - \delta\sigma_0^2, \sigma_0^2]$ for some $0 < \delta < 1$. Then:

$$\mathcal{K}(P_{(m_0, \sigma_0^2)}, P_{(m, \sigma^2)}) \leq \frac{1}{4} \left[\frac{\delta\sigma_0^2}{\sigma^2} + \frac{\delta\sigma_0^2}{\sigma^2} \right] \leq \frac{\delta\sigma_0^2}{2(\sigma_0^2 - \delta\sigma_0^2)} = \frac{\delta}{2(1 - \delta)}.$$

This implies that for any $\delta \in (0, 1)$,

$$\int \mathcal{K}(P_{(m_0, \sigma_0^2)}, P_{(m, \sigma^2)}) \rho_{m_0, \sigma_0^2, \sqrt{\delta\sigma_0^2}, \delta\sigma_0^2}(\mathrm{d}(m, \sigma^2)) \leq \frac{\delta}{2(1 - \delta)}.$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{K}(\rho_{m_0, \sigma_0^2, \sqrt{\delta\sigma_0^2}, \delta\sigma_0^2}, \pi) &= \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{U}(m_0 - \sqrt{\delta\sigma^2}, m_0 + \sqrt{\delta\sigma^2}), \mathcal{N}(0, 1)) \\
 &\quad + \mathcal{K}(\mathcal{U}(\sigma_0^2 - \delta\sigma_0^2, \sigma_0^2), \mathcal{U}(0, 1)) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\delta\sigma_0^2}} \int_{m_0 - \sqrt{\delta\sigma_0^2}}^{m_0 + \sqrt{\delta\sigma_0^2}} \log \left(\frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{2\sqrt{\delta\sigma_0^2} \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{2}\right)} \right) \mathrm{d}x \\
 &\quad + \log \left(\frac{1}{\delta\sigma_0^2} \right) \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\delta\sigma_0^2}} \int_{-\sqrt{\delta\sigma_0^2}}^{\sqrt{\delta\sigma_0^2}} \left[\frac{(m_0 + x)^2}{2} + \log \left(\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2\delta\sigma_0^2}} \right) \right] \mathrm{d}x \\
 &\quad + \log \left(\frac{1}{\delta\sigma_0^2} \right) \\
 &\leq m_0^2 + \delta\sigma_0^2 + \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \right) + \frac{3}{2} \log \left(\frac{1}{\delta\sigma_0^2} \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

Plugging everything into (0.1) gives:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\mathbb{E} \left[\int D_\alpha(P_\theta, P_{\theta_0}) \tilde{\pi}_{n, \alpha}(\mathrm{d}\theta | X_1^n) \right] \\
 &\leq \inf_{\delta > 0} \left[\frac{\alpha\delta}{2(1 - \alpha)(1 - \delta)} + \frac{m_0^2 + \delta\sigma_0^2 + \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \right) + \frac{3}{2} \log \left(\frac{1}{\delta\sigma_0^2} \right)}{n(1 - \alpha)} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

The value $\delta = 1/(2n)$ gives, using $(1 - \delta) > 1/2$ to simplify things,

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{E} \left[\int D_\alpha(P_\theta, P_{\theta_0}) \tilde{\pi}_{n,\alpha}(d\theta | X_1^n) \right] \\ & \leq \frac{\alpha}{2n(1-\alpha)} + \frac{m_0^2 + \frac{\sigma_0^2}{2n} + \frac{1}{2} \log\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) + \frac{3}{2} \log\left(\frac{2n}{\sigma_0^2}\right)}{n(1-\alpha)} \\ & \leq \frac{0.5}{n(1-\alpha)} + \frac{m_0^2 + 0.5 + 0.23 + 1.5 \log\left(\frac{2n}{\sigma_0^2}\right)}{n(1-\alpha)}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof of Theorem 4.1. Fix $B > 0$, $r \geq 1$ and any pair $(\bar{U}, \bar{V}) \in \mathcal{M}_{r,B}$ and define for $\delta \in (0, B)$ that will be chosen later,

$$\rho_n(dU, dV, d\gamma) \propto \mathbf{1}(\|U - \bar{U}\|_\infty \leq \delta, \|U - \bar{U}\|_\infty \leq \delta) \pi(dU, dV, d\gamma).$$

Note that it can be factorized so it belongs to the family \mathcal{F} .

We adapt the calculations from [1, 3] to our context. First, note that

$$\mathcal{K}(P_M, P_{UV^t}) = \frac{1}{mp} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^p \frac{(M_{i,j} - (UV^t)_{i,j})^2}{2\sigma^2} = \frac{\|M - UV^t\|_F^2}{2\sigma^2 mp}$$

and that for any (U, V) in the support of ρ_n we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|M - UV^t\|_F &= \|M - \bar{U}\bar{V}^t + \bar{U}\bar{V}^t - \bar{U}V^t + \bar{U}V^t - UV^t\|_F \\ &\leq \|M - \bar{U}\bar{V}^t\|_F + \|\bar{U}\bar{V}^t - \bar{U}V^t\|_F + \|\bar{U}V^t - UV^t\|_F \\ &= \|M - \bar{U}\bar{V}^t\|_F + \|\bar{U}(\bar{V}^t - V^t)\|_F + \|(\bar{U} - U)V^t\|_F \\ &\leq \|M - \bar{U}\bar{V}^t\|_F + \|\bar{U}\|_F \|\bar{V} - V\|_F + \|\bar{U} - U\|_F \|V^t\|_F \\ &\leq \|M - \bar{U}\bar{V}^t\|_F + mp \|\bar{U}\|_\infty^{1/2} \|\bar{V} - V\|_\infty^{1/2} + mp \|V\|_\infty^{1/2} \|\bar{U} - U\|_\infty^{1/2} \\ &\leq \|M - \bar{U}\bar{V}^t\|_F + mp(B^{1/2}\delta^{1/2} + (B + \delta)^{1/2}\delta^{1/2}) \\ &\leq \|M - \bar{U}\bar{V}^t\|_F + 2mp\delta^{1/2}(B + \delta)^{1/2} \\ &\leq \|M - \bar{U}\bar{V}^t\|_F + 2^{3/2}mp\delta^{1/2}B^{1/2} = \|M - \bar{U}\bar{V}^t\|_F + B/n \end{aligned}$$

with the choice $\delta = B/[8(nmp)^2]$ which satisfies $0 < \delta < B$. Then, we derive

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{K}(\rho_n, \pi) &= \log \frac{1}{\pi(\|U - \bar{U}\|_\infty \leq \delta, \|U - \bar{U}\|_\infty \leq \delta)} \\ &= \log \frac{1}{\int \pi(\|U - \bar{U}\|_\infty \leq \delta, \|U - \bar{U}\|_\infty \leq \delta | \gamma) \pi(d\gamma)} \\ &= \log \frac{1}{\int \pi(\|U - \bar{U}\|_\infty \leq \delta | \gamma) \pi(d\gamma)} + \log \frac{1}{\int \pi(\|V - \bar{V}\|_\infty \leq \delta | \gamma) \pi(d\gamma)} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \log \frac{1}{\int_E \pi (\|U - \bar{U}\|_\infty \leq \delta|\gamma) \pi(d\gamma)} + \log \frac{1}{\int_E \pi (\|V - \bar{V}\|_\infty \leq \delta|\gamma) \pi(d\gamma)}$$

for any event E . We actually take $E = \{\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_r \in [B^2, 2B^2], \gamma_{r+1}, \dots, \gamma_K \in [s, 2s]\}$ and $s \in (0, B^2)$ is to be chosen later. Then note that

$$\begin{aligned} \pi (\|U - \bar{U}\|_\infty \leq \delta|\gamma) &= \pi (\forall i, k : |U_{i,k} - \bar{U}_{i,k}| \leq \delta|\gamma) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^m \prod_{k=1}^r \pi (|U_{i,k} - \bar{U}_{i,k}| \leq \delta|\gamma_k) \pi \left(\max_{i=1}^m \max_{k=r+1}^K |U_{i,k}| \leq \delta \middle| \gamma_{r+1}, \dots, \gamma_K \right). \end{aligned}$$

First,

$$\begin{aligned} &\pi \left(\max_{i=1}^m \max_{k=r+1}^K |U_{i,k}| \leq \delta \middle| \gamma_{r+1}, \dots, \gamma_K \right) \\ &= 1 - \pi \left(\max_{i=1}^m \max_{k=r+1}^K |U_{i,k}| > \delta \middle| \gamma_{r+1}, \dots, \gamma_K \right) \\ &\geq 1 - \pi \left(\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{k=r+1}^K |U_{i,k}| > \delta \middle| \gamma_{r+1}, \dots, \gamma_K \right) \\ &\geq 1 - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{k=r+1}^K \pi (|U_{i,k}| | \gamma_k)}{\delta} \\ &\geq 1 - \frac{m(K-r) \max_{k \geq r+1} \sqrt{\gamma_k}}{\delta} \\ &\geq 1 - \frac{mK\sqrt{2s}}{\delta} = 1/2 \end{aligned}$$

with $s = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\delta}{2(m\sqrt{p})K} \right)^2$ which satisfies $0 < s < B^2$. Then, for $k \leq r$,

$$\begin{aligned} \pi (|U_{i,k} - \bar{U}_{i,k}| \leq \delta|\gamma_k) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\gamma_k}} \int_{\bar{U}_{i,k}-\delta}^{\bar{U}_{i,k}+\delta} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2\gamma_k}\right) dx \\ &\geq \frac{2\delta \exp\left(-\frac{(B+\delta)^2}{2\gamma_k}\right)}{\sqrt{2\pi\gamma_k}} \\ &\geq \frac{\delta \exp\left(-\frac{(B+\delta)^2}{2B^2}\right)}{B\sqrt{\pi}} \text{ as } B^2 \leq \gamma_k \leq 2B^2 \\ &\geq \frac{\delta \exp(-2)}{B\sqrt{\pi}} \text{ as } \delta < 1 \leq B \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\prod_{i=1}^m \prod_{k=1}^r \pi (|U_{i,k} - \bar{U}_{i,k}| \leq \delta|\gamma_k) \geq \left(\frac{\delta}{B\sqrt{\pi}} \right)^{mr} \exp(-2mr).$$

Finally

$$\begin{aligned} \int_E \pi (\|U - \bar{U}\|_\infty \leq \delta | \gamma) \pi(d\gamma) &\geq \int_E \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\delta}{B\sqrt{\pi}} \right)^{mr} \exp(-2mr) \pi(d\gamma) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\delta}{B\sqrt{\pi}} \right)^{mr} \exp(-2mr) \pi(\gamma \in E) \end{aligned}$$

and it remains to lower bound

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\gamma \in E) &= \left(\prod_{k=1}^r \pi(1 \leq \gamma_k \leq 2) \right) \left(\prod_{k=r+1}^K \pi(s \leq \gamma_k \leq 2s) \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{b^a}{\Gamma(a)} \right)^K \left[\int_{B^2} x^{-a-1} \exp\left(-\frac{b}{x}\right) dx \right]^r \left[\int_s^{2s} x^{-a-1} \exp\left(-\frac{b}{x}\right) dx \right]^{K-r} \\ &\geq \left(\frac{b^a}{\Gamma(a)} \right)^K \left[B^2(2B^2)^{-a-1} \exp\left(-\frac{b}{B^2}\right) \right]^r \left[s(2s)^{-a-1} \exp\left(-\frac{b}{s}\right) \right]^{K-r} \\ &= \left(\frac{b^a}{2^{a+1}\Gamma(a)} \right)^K \exp\left[-\frac{b}{B^2}r - \frac{b}{s}(K-r)\right] (B^2)^{-(a+1)r} s^{-a(K-r)} \\ &\geq \left(\frac{b^a}{(B^2)^a 2^{a+1}\Gamma(a)} \right)^K \exp\left[-\frac{Kb}{s}\right] \end{aligned}$$

as $s < B^2$. So, finally,

$$\mathcal{K}(\rho_n, \pi) \leq r(m+p) \log\left(\frac{B\sqrt{\pi} \exp(2)}{\delta}\right) + K \left[\log\left(\frac{2^{a+1}\Gamma(a)(B^2)^a}{b^a}\right) + \frac{b}{s} \right] + 2 \log(2).$$

The choice $b = s$ leads to

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{K}(\rho_n, \pi) &\leq r(m+p) \log\left(\frac{B\sqrt{\pi} \exp(2)}{\delta}\right) + K \log\left(\frac{e2^{a+1}\Gamma(a)(B^2)^a}{s^a}\right) + 2 \log(2) \\ &\leq r(m+p) \log(8\sqrt{\pi} \exp(2)(nmp)^2) + 4aK \log(nmp) \\ &\quad + K \log(e2^{10a+1}\Gamma(a)) + 2 \log(2) \end{aligned}$$

where we replaced δ and s by their respective value. In order to keep the expressions as simple as possible we can use $K \leq m \vee p \leq m+p \leq r(m+p)$ and $2 \leq m+p \leq r(m+p)$ to get

$$\mathcal{K}(\rho_n, \pi) \leq 2(1+2a)r(m+p) \left[\log(nmp) + \underbrace{\log(8\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma(a)2^{10a+1})}_{=: \mathcal{C}(a)} + 3 \right].$$

We are now in position to apply Theorem 2.6. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbb{E} \left[\int D_\alpha(P_\theta, P_{\theta_0}) \tilde{\pi}_{n,\alpha}(\mathrm{d}\theta | X_1^n) \right] \\
 \leq \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} \int \mathcal{K}(P_{\theta_0}, P_\theta) \rho_n(\mathrm{d}\theta) + \frac{\mathcal{K}(\rho_n, \pi)}{n(1-\alpha)} \\
 \leq \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} \frac{\left[\|M - \bar{U}\bar{V}^t\|_F + \frac{\sqrt{B}}{n} \right]^2}{2\sigma^2 mp} \\
 + \frac{2(1+\alpha)(1+2a)r(m+p) [\log(nmp) + \mathcal{C}(a, B)]}{n(1-\alpha)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof of Corollary 4.2. We start from (4.1). Under the boundedness assumption on M_0 it is obvious that $\forall M, d_{\alpha,\sigma}(M, M_0) \geq d_{\alpha,\sigma}(\text{clip}_C(M), M_0)$, so

$$\begin{aligned}
 (0.2) \quad \mathbb{E} \left[\int d_{\alpha,\sigma}(\text{clip}_C(M), M_0) \tilde{\pi}_{n,\alpha}(\mathrm{d}M | X_1^n) \right] \\
 \leq \frac{2(1+\alpha)(1+2a)r(m+p) \left[\log(nmp) + \mathcal{C}(a) + \frac{\alpha B}{2\sigma^2 mp} \right]}{n(1-\alpha)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Fix M and for short, put $N = \text{clip}_C(M)$. We have:

$$\begin{aligned}
 d_{\alpha,\sigma}(N, M_0) &= \frac{-1}{1-\alpha} \log \left[\frac{1}{mp} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^p \exp \left(\frac{\alpha(\alpha-1)(N_{i,j} - (M_0)_{i,j})^2}{2\sigma^2} \right) \right] \\
 &\geq \frac{1}{1-\alpha} \left[1 - \frac{1}{mp} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^p \exp \left(\frac{\alpha(\alpha-1)(N_{i,j} - (M_0)_{i,j})^2}{2\sigma^2} \right) \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

By assumption, $(N_{i,j} - (M_0)_{i,j})^2 / (2\sigma^2) \leq (2C)^2 / (2\sigma^2) = 2C^2 / \sigma^2$. Straightforward derivations show that for any $x \in [0, 2C^2 / \sigma^2]$ we have

$$1 - \left(\frac{\sigma^2 [1 - \exp(2C^2 \alpha (\alpha - 1) / \sigma^2)]}{2C^2} \right) x \geq \exp(\alpha(\alpha - 1)x),$$

this leads to

$$d_{\alpha,\sigma}(N, M_0) \geq \frac{1}{1-\alpha} \frac{\sigma^2 [1 - \exp(2C^2 \alpha (\alpha - 1) / \sigma^2)]}{2C^2} \frac{\|N - M_0\|_F^2}{2\sigma^2}.$$

Plugging this into (0.2) gives the result claimed.

Proof of Theorem 5.1. Let (β_k^0) denote the coefficients of f^0 : $f_0 = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \beta_k^0 \varphi_k$. Theorem 2.6 gives:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathbb{E} \left[\int D_\alpha(P_f, P_{f_0}) \tilde{\pi}_{n,\alpha}(\mathrm{d}\theta | X_1^n) \right] \\
& \leq \frac{1}{1-\alpha} \inf_{K \geq 1} \inf_{\mathbf{m}, s^2} \left\{ \frac{\alpha}{2} \int \int_{-1}^1 \left(f_0 - \sum_{k=1}^K \beta_k \varphi_k \right)^2 \Phi(\mathrm{d}\beta, \mathbf{m}, s^2) \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \frac{\sum_{k=1}^K \frac{1}{2} [\log(\frac{1}{s^2}) + s^2 + m_k^2 - 1] + K \log(2)}{n} \right\} \\
& = \frac{1}{1-\alpha} \inf_{K \geq 1} \inf_{\mathbf{m}, s^2} \left\{ \frac{\alpha}{2} \int \int_{-1}^1 \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \beta_k^0 - \sum_{k=1}^K \beta_k \varphi_k \right)^2 \Phi(\mathrm{d}\beta, \mathbf{m}, s^2) \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \frac{\sum_{k=1}^K \frac{1}{2} [\log(\frac{1}{s^2}) + s^2 + m_k^2 - 1] + K \log(2)}{n} \right\} \\
& = \frac{1}{1-\alpha} \inf_{K \geq 1} \inf_{\mathbf{m}, s^2} \left\{ \frac{\alpha}{2} \sum_{k=1}^K (m_k - \beta_k^0)^2 + \frac{\alpha K s^2}{2} + \frac{\alpha}{2} \sum_{k=K+1}^{\infty} (\beta_k^0)^2 \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \frac{\sum_{k=1}^K \frac{1}{2} [\log(\frac{1}{s^2}) + s^2 + m_k^2 - 1] + K \log(2)}{n} \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

The choice $(m_1, \dots, m_K) = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_K)$ gives:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E} \left[\int D_\alpha(P_f, P_{f_0}) \tilde{\pi}_{n,\alpha}(\mathrm{d}\theta | X_1^n) \right] & \leq \frac{1}{1-\alpha} \inf_{K \geq 1} \left\{ \frac{\alpha K s^2}{2} + \frac{\alpha}{2} \sum_{k=K+1}^{\infty} (\beta_k^0)^2 \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \frac{\sum_{k=1}^K \frac{1}{2} [\log(\frac{1}{s^2}) + s^2 + (\beta_k^0)^2 - 1] + K \log(2)}{n} \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

From Chapter 1 in [4] we know that $f_0 \in \mathcal{W}(r, C^2)$ implies $\sum_{k=K+1}^{\infty} (\beta_k^0)^2 \leq \Lambda(r, C) K^{-2r}$ for some $\Lambda(k, C)$. Moreover, $\sum_{k=1}^K (\beta_k^0)^2 \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{2r} (\beta_k^0)^2 \leq C^2$. So finally:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E} \left[\int D_\alpha(P_f, P_{f_0}) \tilde{\pi}_{n,\alpha}(\mathrm{d}\theta | X_1^n) \right] & \leq \frac{1}{1-\alpha} \inf_{K \geq 1} \left\{ \frac{\alpha \Lambda(r, C)}{2} K^{-2r} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \frac{\alpha K s^2}{2} + \frac{K \left[\log(2) + \frac{s^2}{2} + \frac{\log(\frac{1}{s^2})}{2} \right] + C^2}{n} \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

The choice $s^2 = 1/n$ leads to

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\int D_\alpha(P_f, P_{f_0}) \tilde{\pi}_{n,\alpha}(d\theta | X_1^n) \right] \leq \frac{1}{1-\alpha} \inf_{K \geq 1} \left\{ \frac{\alpha \Lambda(r, C)}{2} K^{-2r} + \frac{K \left[\log(2) + \frac{\alpha}{2} + \frac{1}{2n} + \frac{\log(n)}{2} \right] + C^2}{n} \right\}.$$

The choice $K = \lceil (n/\log(n))^{1/(2r+1)} \rceil$ leads to the result.

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