

# Automatic Discovery of Meaningful Object Parts with Latent CRFs

## Supplemental Material

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In the supplementary material we derive Eqs. (6), (9), (10) and (13) stated in the paper. Most of the derivations rely on factoring out terms and a permutation of the order of the summations.

### 1. Detecting object instances – Eq. (6)

$$p(y = 1 | \mathbf{x}; \theta, E) = \sum_{\mathbf{z}} \left( \left( \sum_{i \in V} \gamma_i(z_i) \right) p(\mathbf{z} | \mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \mathbf{e}, E) \right) \quad (1)$$

$$= \sum_{i \in V} \sum_{z_i=0}^P \left( \gamma_i(z_i) \left( \sum_{\mathbf{z} \setminus z_i} p(\mathbf{z} | \mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \mathbf{e}, E) \right) \right) \quad (2)$$

$$= \sum_{i \in V} \sum_{z_i=0}^P \gamma_i(z_i) p(z_i | \mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \mathbf{e}, E). \quad (3)$$

### 2. Expectation maximization – Eqs. (9) and (10)

**Eq. (9).** The gradient with respect to the parameters  $\gamma$  (Eq. (9) of the paper) can be approximated as follows. Here we make use of the approximation  $\frac{p(y | \mathbf{z}; \boldsymbol{\gamma}^{\text{old}})}{p(y | \mathbf{z}; \boldsymbol{\gamma})} \approx 1$ . Also recall that  $p(\mathbf{z} | \mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \mathbf{e}, E)$  does not depend on  $\gamma$ .

$$\frac{\partial Q(\theta, \theta^{\text{old}})}{\partial \gamma_i(c)} = \sum_{\mathbf{z}} \left( \prod_{j=1}^M p(\mathbf{z}^j | y^j, \mathbf{x}^j; \theta^{\text{old}}, E^{\text{old}}) \right) \left( \sum_{m=1}^M \frac{1}{p(y^m | \mathbf{z}^m; \boldsymbol{\gamma})} \frac{\partial}{\partial \gamma_i(c)} p(y^m | \mathbf{z}^m; \boldsymbol{\gamma}) \right) \quad (4)$$

$$= \sum_{m=1}^M \sum_{\mathbf{z}^m} \frac{p(\mathbf{z}^m | y^m, \mathbf{x}^m; \theta^{\text{old}}, E^{\text{old}})}{p(y^m | \mathbf{z}^m; \boldsymbol{\gamma})} \frac{\partial p(y^m | \mathbf{z}^m; \boldsymbol{\gamma})}{\partial \gamma_i(c)} \underbrace{\left( \sum_{\mathbf{z} \setminus \mathbf{z}^m} \prod_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq m}}^M p(\mathbf{z}^j | y^j, \mathbf{x}^j; \theta^{\text{old}}, E^{\text{old}}) \right)}_{=1} \quad (5)$$

$$= \sum_{m=1}^M \sum_{\mathbf{z}^m} \frac{p(y^m | \mathbf{z}^m; \boldsymbol{\gamma}^{\text{old}}) p(\mathbf{z}^m | \mathbf{x}^m; \boldsymbol{\alpha}^{\text{old}}, \mathbf{e}^{\text{old}}, E^{\text{old}})}{p(y^m | \mathbf{z}^m; \boldsymbol{\gamma}) p(y^m | \mathbf{x}^m; \theta^{\text{old}}, E^{\text{old}})} \frac{\partial}{\partial \gamma_i(c)} p(y^m | \mathbf{z}^m; \boldsymbol{\gamma}) \quad (6)$$

$$\approx \sum_{m=1}^M \sum_{\mathbf{z}^m} \frac{p(\mathbf{z}^m | \mathbf{x}^m; \boldsymbol{\alpha}^{\text{old}}, \mathbf{e}^{\text{old}}, E^{\text{old}})}{p(y^m | \mathbf{x}^m; \theta^{\text{old}}, E^{\text{old}})} \frac{\partial}{\partial \gamma_i(c)} p(y^m | \mathbf{z}^m; \boldsymbol{\gamma}). \quad (7)$$

Here we observe that  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \gamma_i(c)} p(y^m | \mathbf{z}^m; \boldsymbol{\gamma})$  does not depend on  $z_j^m$  for  $j \neq i$  since

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \gamma_i(c)} p(y^m | \mathbf{z}^m; \boldsymbol{\gamma}) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } y^m = 1 \text{ and } z_i^m = c \\ -1, & \text{if } y^m = 0 \text{ and } z_i^m = c \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad (8)$$

In the following we factor out  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \gamma_i(c)} p(y^m | \mathbf{z}^m; \gamma)$  and approximate  $p(z_i^m | \mathbf{x}^m; \boldsymbol{\alpha}^{\text{old}}, \mathbf{e}^{\text{old}}, E^{\text{old}})$  with the belief  $b_i^{\text{old}}(z_i)$ :

$$\frac{\partial Q(\theta, \theta^{\text{old}})}{\partial \gamma_i(c)} \approx \sum_{m=1}^M \sum_{z_i^m=0}^P \left( \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \gamma_i(c)} p(y^m | \mathbf{z}^m; \gamma) \right) \sum_{\mathbf{z}^m \setminus z_i^m} \frac{p(\mathbf{z}^m | \mathbf{x}^m; \boldsymbol{\alpha}^{\text{old}}, \mathbf{e}^{\text{old}}, E^{\text{old}})}{p(y^m | \mathbf{x}^m; \theta^{\text{old}}, E^{\text{old}})} \right) \quad (9)$$

$$= \sum_{m=1}^M \sum_{z_i^m=0}^P \left( \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \gamma_i(c)} p(y^m | \mathbf{z}^m; \gamma) \right) \frac{p(z_i^m | \mathbf{x}^m; \boldsymbol{\alpha}^{\text{old}}, \mathbf{e}^{\text{old}}, E^{\text{old}})}{p(y^m | \mathbf{x}^m; \theta^{\text{old}}, E^{\text{old}})} \right) \quad (10)$$

$$\approx \left( \sum_{m=1, y^m=1}^M \frac{b_i^{\text{old}}(c)}{p(y^m | \mathbf{x}^m; \theta^{\text{old}}, E^{\text{old}})} \right) - \left( \sum_{m=1, y^m=0}^M \frac{b_i^{\text{old}}(c)}{p(y^m | \mathbf{x}^m; \theta^{\text{old}}, E^{\text{old}})} \right). \quad (11)$$

**Eq. (10).** In order to derive Eq. (10) of the paper we simplify the notation of  $Q(\cdot, \cdot)$ .

$$Q(\theta, \theta^{\text{old}}) = \sum_{m=1}^M \sum_Z \left( \left( \log p(y^m | \mathbf{z}^m; \gamma) + \log p(\mathbf{z}^m | \mathbf{x}^m; \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \mathbf{e}, E) \right) p(Z|Y, X; \theta^{\text{old}}, E^{\text{old}}) \right) \quad (12)$$

$$= \sum_{m=1}^M \sum_{\mathbf{z}^m} \left( \left( \log p(y^m | \mathbf{z}^m; \gamma) + \log p(\mathbf{z}^m | \mathbf{x}^m; \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \mathbf{e}, E) \right) \sum_{Z \setminus \mathbf{z}^m} p(Z|Y, X; \theta^{\text{old}}, E^{\text{old}}) \right) \quad (13)$$

$$= \sum_{m=1}^M \sum_{\mathbf{z}^m} \left( \left( \log p(y^m | \mathbf{z}^m; \gamma) + \log p(\mathbf{z}^m | \mathbf{x}^m; \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \mathbf{e}, E) \right) p(\mathbf{z}^m | y^m, \mathbf{x}^m; \theta^{\text{old}}, E^{\text{old}}) \right). \quad (14)$$

Following this we can easily derive the gradient with respect to the edge parameters  $\mathbf{e}$ . Recall that  $p(y|z; \gamma)$  does not depend on the parameters  $\mathbf{e}$ .

$$\frac{\partial Q(\theta, \theta^{\text{old}})}{\partial \mathbf{e}_{ij}^{c_1 c_2}} = \sum_{m=1}^M \sum_{\mathbf{z}^m} \left( \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{e}_{ij}^{c_1 c_2}} \log p(\mathbf{z}^m | \mathbf{x}^m; \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \mathbf{e}, E) \right) \frac{p(y^m | \mathbf{z}^m; \gamma^{\text{old}}) p(\mathbf{z}^m | \mathbf{x}^m; \boldsymbol{\alpha}^{\text{old}}, \mathbf{e}^{\text{old}}, E^{\text{old}})}{p(y^m | \mathbf{x}^m; \theta^{\text{old}}, E^{\text{old}})} \right). \quad (15)$$

Thus, the gradient can be expressed in terms of the conditional log-likelihood gradient in CRFs.

### 3. Structure Learning – Eq. (13)

In the following we derive Eq. (13) of the paper. For estimating the structure of the domain of interest we want to maximize the ratio

$$\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{e}_{ij}) = \max_{(c_1, c_2) \in \{0..P\}^2} \left\| \sum_{m=1, y^m=1}^M \frac{\partial \log p(y^m = 1 | \mathbf{x}^m; \theta, E)}{\partial \mathbf{e}_{ij}^{c_1 c_2}} - \sum_{m=1, y^m=0}^M \frac{\partial \log p(y^m = 0 | \mathbf{x}^m; \theta, E)}{\partial \mathbf{e}_{ij}^{c_1 c_2}} \right\|$$

yielding the edge  $(i^*, j^*)$  that most likely improves the discriminative power of our model. By exploiting that

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{e}_{ij}^{c_1 c_2}} p(\mathbf{z} | \mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \mathbf{e}, E) = p(\mathbf{z} | \mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \mathbf{e}, E) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{e}_{ij}^{c_1 c_2}} \log p(\mathbf{z} | \mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \mathbf{e}, E) \quad (16)$$

we derive this ratio for a fixed  $m$  and drop this index for notational simplicity:

$$\frac{\partial \log p(y | \mathbf{x}; \theta, E)}{\partial \mathbf{e}_{ij}^{c_1 c_2}} = \frac{1}{p(y | \mathbf{x}; \theta, E)} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{e}_{ij}^{c_1 c_2}} \left( \sum_{\mathbf{z}} \underbrace{p(y | \mathbf{z}; \gamma)}_{\text{independent of } \mathbf{e}_{ij}^{c_1 c_2}} p(\mathbf{z} | \mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \mathbf{e}, E) \right) \quad (17)$$

$$= \sum_{\mathbf{z}} \left( \frac{p(y | \mathbf{z}; \gamma)}{p(y | \mathbf{x}; \theta, E)} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{e}_{ij}^{c_1 c_2}} p(\mathbf{z} | \mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \mathbf{e}, E) \right) \right) \quad (18)$$

$$= \sum_{\mathbf{z}} \frac{p(y | \mathbf{z}; \gamma) p(\mathbf{z} | \mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \mathbf{e}, E)}{p(y | \mathbf{x}; \theta, E)} \frac{\partial \log p(\mathbf{z} | \mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \mathbf{e}, E)}{\partial \mathbf{e}_{ij}^{c_1 c_2}}. \quad (19)$$

We can now compute  $\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{e}_{ij})$  using the conditional log-likelihood gradient of a standard CRF.