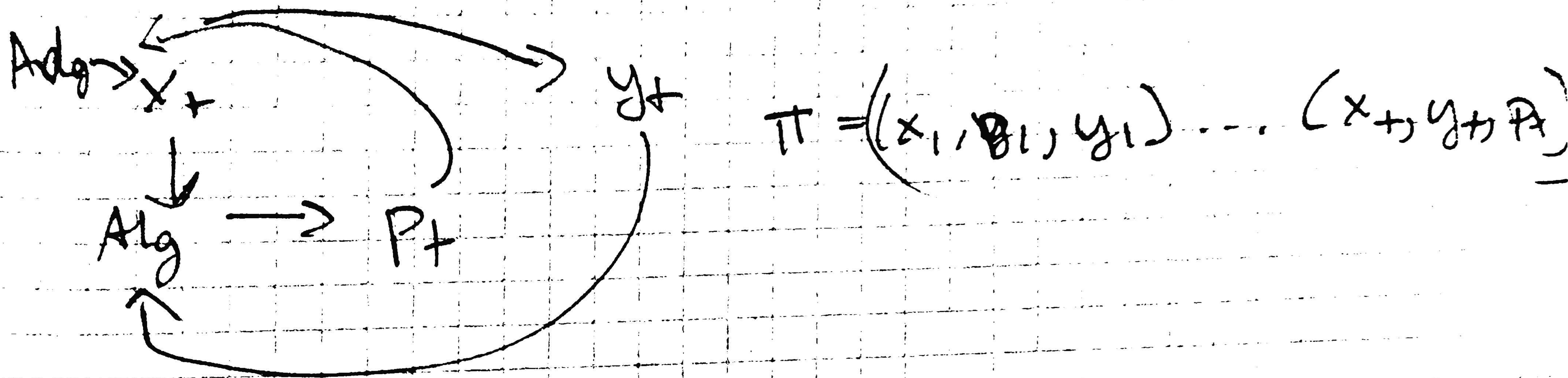


Everything we've talked about has been for IID data. What about adversarial data?



π is a α MMC ~~if~~ if

$$\forall x \in \pi \quad |P(x) - y| \leq \alpha$$

P is a α MQC for q if

$$\forall x \in \pi \quad |P(x) - y| \leq \alpha$$

these seem hard to show for adversarial π

Alg 1

For $t=0$ to T
Let x_t be observed
Predict y_{t+1}

← This is $\frac{1}{T}$ -MMC

Proof

Si

$\frac{1}{T} \sum$

$\frac{1}{T}$

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For a more useful algorithm (though we won't show it yet) it'll help to consider the following.

Suppose A is α -MQC for a quantile q against any adversary. Then it can be used to make an iid α' -MQC by taking a model f and

$$(x_t^*, y_t^*) \sim D$$

to give A

Predict

$$(x_t, y_t) = (\hat{x}_t, \hat{y}_t + f(\hat{x}_t))$$

$$P_t = A(\pi_t)$$

Then $\Delta \sim \text{VAR}[P_1, \dots, P_T] \rightarrow \hat{f}(x) = f(x) + \Delta$
is $\alpha' = \alpha + \sqrt{2 \log \frac{1}{\delta}}$ MQC

Proof

Since A is a MQC on its transcript

$$\frac{1}{T} \left| \sum \mathbb{1}(y_t \leq P_t) - q \right| \leq \alpha$$

$$\frac{1}{T} \left| \sum (\hat{y}_t - f(\hat{x}_t) \leq P_t) - q \right| \leq \alpha$$

Is it true that $\hat{y}_t - f(\hat{x}_t) \leq P_t \approx q$ frac. of the time
on avg

Well, P_t 's are no longer iid $\hookrightarrow = A(\pi_{t-1}, \hat{x}_t)$
and neither are the indicator RVs

So we need a new concentration inequality

Let $X_1, \dots, X_n$ be RVs (not nec. IID)

$|X_i| \leq c_i$. Define $X_{<i} = (X_1, \dots, X_{i-1})$

Then $\forall t > 0$

$$\Pr \left[\left| \sum X_i - \mathbb{E}[X_i | X_{<i}] \right| \geq t \right] \leq 2 \exp \left(\frac{-t^2}{2 \sum c_i^2} \right)$$

Azuma's

This applies to

$$\frac{1}{T} \sum \mathbb{1}(y_t \leq P_t) - q$$

Exercise

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbb{1}(y_t \leq P_t) | y_{<t}] = F(P_t)$$

Rvs btwn $-\frac{1}{T}, \frac{1}{T}$

So Azuma's $\Rightarrow$

$$\Pr \left[\left| \frac{1}{T} \sum \mathbb{1}(y_t \leq P_t) - \frac{1}{T} \sum F(P_t) \right| \geq \sqrt{\frac{2 \ln 3}{T}} \right] \leq \delta$$

$\approx q + \alpha$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } |\Pr[y \leq f(x) + \Delta] - q| &= \left| \frac{1}{T} \sum \Pr[y \leq f(x) + p_t] - q \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{1}{T} \sum F(p_t) - q \right| \\ &\leq \alpha + \sqrt{\frac{2 \ln \frac{2}{\delta}}{T}} \end{aligned}$$

Wip. 1-8

How do we make an adversarial α -MQC alg?

Alg Online MQC(q, η) learning rate

Let $p_1 = 0$

for $t = 1 \dots T$

Observe & ignore x_t

Predict p_t

Observe y_t

$$p_{t+1} = p_t + \eta (q - \mathbb{1}(y_t \leq p_t))$$

Thm: for any sequence of len T , q, Φ & η ,
 $\uparrow$ is α MQC for $\alpha \leq \frac{1+\eta}{\eta T}$.

Pf

$$p_{t+1} = p_t + \eta (q - \mathbb{1}(y_t \leq p_t))$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{1}(y_t \leq p_t) = q - \left(\frac{p_{t+1} - p_t}{\eta} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } \frac{1}{T} \sum \mathbb{I}[y_t \leq p_t] &= q - \frac{1}{T} \sum (p_{t+1} - p_t) \\ &= q - \frac{1}{T} [p_{T+1} - p_1] \\ &= q - \frac{1}{T} [p_{T+1}] \end{aligned}$$

Do we have a bound on p_{T+1} ?

~~$$p_t \geq 0^2,$$~~

$$p_{t+1} = p_t + \eta (q - \mathbb{I}(y_t \leq p_t))$$

If $p_t \geq 1$, $\mathbb{I}(y_t \leq p_t) = 1$, $p_{t+1} < p_t$

~~but $p_t \geq 0$ $p_{t+1} > p_t$~~

$$p_{t+1} \leq p_t$$

$$\Rightarrow p_t - p_{t+1} \leq \eta$$

~~but $p_t \geq 0$ $p_{t+1} > p_t$~~

Argue to yourselves $M \leq p_t \leq 1 + \eta$

An even dumber algo works

W.P. q Predict $p_t = 1$

W.P. $1-q$ Predict $p_t = 0$

This is $\neq$ MQC...