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Tuesday

## Information Measures:

Entropy

Mutual Information

Relative Entropy

## What they measure

Randomness, Information

Correlation, Amount of information on R.V. contains about other.

"Distance" between distributions

Let  $X$  be a discrete R.V.

$X$  is the alphabet

$P_X(x)$  is the prob. mass funct. (i.e.  $P(X=x) = P_X(x)$ )

$$P_X(x) > 0$$

$$\sum_{x \in X} P_X(x) = 1$$

$$\text{Entropy: } H(X) = \sum_{x \in X} P_X(x) \log \frac{1}{P_X(x)} = -\sum_{x \in X} P_X(x) \log P_X(x)$$

Okay to write  $H(P_X)$  instead

$$\text{Expected Value: } E[f(X)] = \sum_{x \in X} P_X(x) f(x)$$

$$H(X) = E\left[\log \frac{1}{P_X(x)}\right]$$

$$\text{Convention: } 0 \log 0 = 0 \quad (\text{or } 0 \log \infty = 0)$$

$$\text{because } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \log x = 0$$

Properties

1)  $H(X) \geq 0$

proof:  $\log \frac{1}{P_X(x)} \geq 0$  w.p. 1  $P_X(x) \in [0, 1] \forall x$

2) Base of  $\log$  gives units

$$H_b(X) = E\left[\log_b \frac{1}{P_X(x)}\right]$$

$$H_b(X) = (\log_b a) H_a(X)$$

↑ unit conversions

3)  $H(X) \leq \log |\mathcal{X}|$

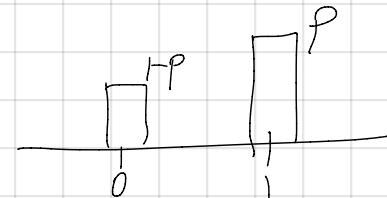
base	Units
2	bits
e	nats
10	decimal digit

binary digit

Example 1

$$X = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{w.p. } p \\ 0 & \text{w.p. } 1-p \end{cases}$$

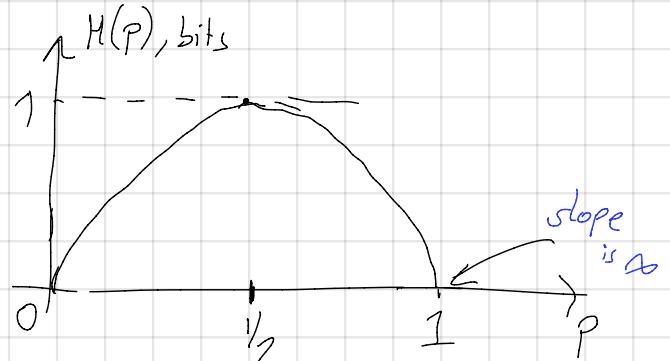
$$X \sim \text{Ber}(p)$$



$$H(X) = (1-p) \log \frac{1}{1-p} + p \log \frac{1}{p}$$

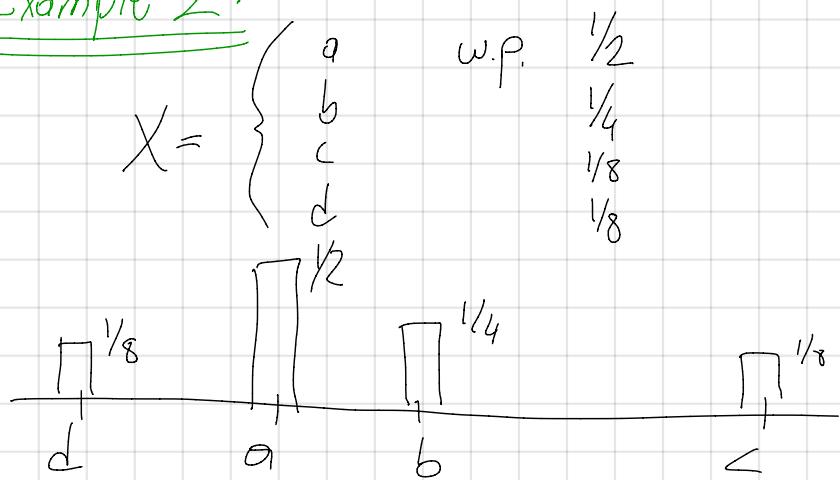
$$H(p) \triangleq$$

↓ "binary entropy function"

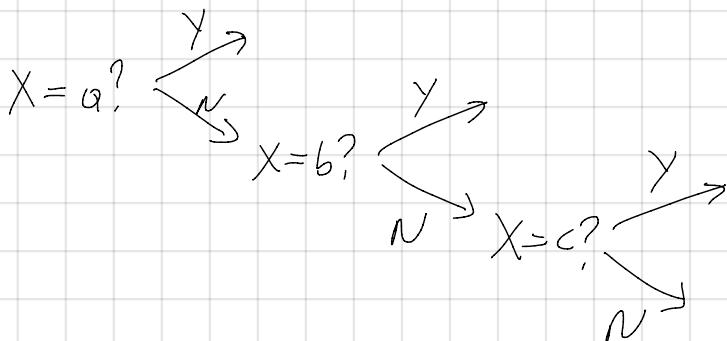


$H(X) = 0$  iff  $X$  is deterministic

## Example 2:



$$\begin{aligned}
 H(X) &= \frac{1}{2} \log_2 \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{1}{4} \log_2 \frac{1}{\frac{1}{4}} + \frac{1}{8} \log_2 \frac{1}{\frac{1}{8}} + \frac{1}{8} \log_2 \frac{1}{\frac{1}{8}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1 \text{ bit} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot 2 \text{ bits} + \frac{1}{8} \cdot 3 \text{ bits} \\
 &= 1.75
 \end{aligned}$$



	# of questions
a	1
b	2
c	3
d	3

$$E[\# \text{ of questions}] = 1.75$$

Code:

a	1
b	01
c	001
d	000

$\rightsquigarrow abcabd \rightarrow 100101000$

$\hookrightarrow$  prefix code

$\mathbb{E}[\# \text{ of } Y/N \text{ questions}] \in [H(X), H(X)+1]$  bits

(Note that if  $f(\cdot)$  is invertible function and  $Y = f(X)$ )  
 $H(Y) = H(X)$

Joint Entropy:

$$H(X, Y) = \sum_{x \in X} \sum_{y \in Y} P_{XY}(x, y) \log \frac{1}{P_{XY}(x, y)} = \mathbb{E}\left[\log \frac{1}{P_{XY}(X, Y)}\right]$$

Conditional Entropy

$$H(X|Y) = \mathbb{E}\left[\log \frac{1}{P_{Y|X}(Y|X)}\right] = \sum_{x \in X} \sum_{y \in Y} P_{XY}(x, y) \log \frac{1}{P_{Y|X}(y|x)}$$

Chain Rule:  $H(X, Y) = H(X) + H(Y|X)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Proof: } & \rightarrow = \mathbb{E}\left[\log \frac{1}{P_X(X)}\right] + \mathbb{E}\left[\log \frac{1}{P_{Y|X}(Y|X)}\right] \\ & = \mathbb{E}\left[\log \frac{1}{P_X(X)P_{Y|X}(Y|X)}\right] \end{aligned}$$

Comment on Conditional Entropy:

$$H(P_{Y|X=x}) = \sum_y P_{Y|X=x}(y) \log \frac{1}{P_{Y|X=x}(y)}$$

$$H(Y|X) = \sum_{x \in X} P_X(x) H(P_{Y|X=x})$$

Example :

$X$	1	2	3	4
$Y$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{32}$
	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{32}$
	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$
	$\frac{1}{4}$	0	0	0

$P_X \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \quad \frac{1}{4} \quad \frac{1}{8} \quad \frac{1}{8}$

$$H(X, Y) = \frac{27}{8} \text{ bits}$$

$$H(X) = \frac{7}{4} \text{ bits}$$

$$H(Y) = 2 \text{ bits}$$

$$H(P_{X|Y=1}) = \frac{7}{4} \text{ bits} \quad H(P_{X|Y=2}) = \frac{7}{4} \text{ bits}$$

$$H(P_{X|Y=3}) = 2 \text{ bits} \quad H(P_{X|Y=4}) = 0 \text{ bits}$$

$$H(Y|X) = H(X, Y) - H(X) = \frac{13}{8} \text{ bits}$$

$$H(X|Y) = H(X, Y) - H(Y) = \frac{11}{8} \text{ bits}$$

Relative entropy (expected log-likelihood)

$$D(P||Q) = \mathbb{E} \left[ \log \frac{P(X)}{Q(X)} \right] \text{ where } X \sim P$$

$D(P||Q)$  is the ineff. of encoding under the assumption  $Q$  distributions when true distribution is  $P$ .

$$D(P||Q) = \mathbb{E}_P \left[ \log \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)} \right] \text{ when } X \sim P$$

$$= \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} P_x(x) \log \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$$

If  $\exists x$  s.t.  $Q(x)=0$  when  $P(x)>0 \Rightarrow D(P||Q)=\infty$

(In general,  $D(P||Q) = \mathbb{E} \left[ \log \frac{dP}{dQ}(x) \right]$  where  $X \sim P$   
 and  $P \ll Q$ )

If  $P \not\ll Q$  then  $D(P||Q)=\infty$

### Mutual Information

$$I(X;Y) = D(P_{XY} || P_X P_Y) = \mathbb{E} \left[ \log \frac{P_{XY}(X,Y)}{P_X(X) P_Y(Y)} \right]$$

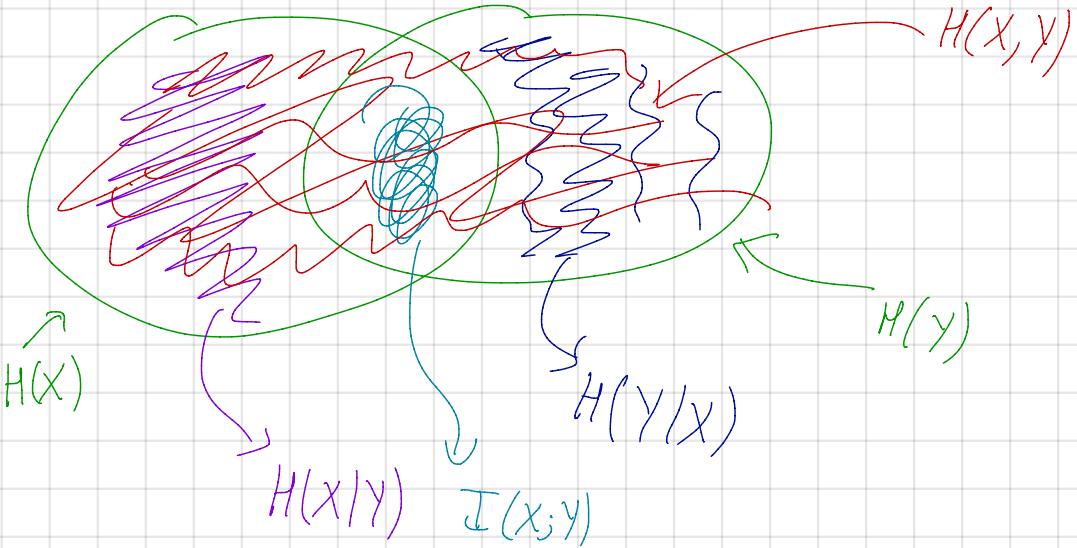
when  $X$  and  $Y$  are discrete r.v.

$$\begin{aligned} I(X;Y) &= H(Y) - H(Y|X) \\ &= H(X) - H(X|Y) \\ &= H(X) + H(Y) - H(X,Y) \\ &= I(Y;X) \end{aligned}$$

why?

$$\begin{aligned} I(X;Y) &= \mathbb{E} \left[ \log \frac{P_{Y|X}(Y|X)}{P_Y(Y)} \right] \\ &= \mathbb{E} \left[ \log \frac{1}{P_Y(Y)} \right] - \mathbb{E} \left[ \log \frac{1}{P_{Y|X}(Y|X)} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$I(X;X) = H(X)$$



Example:

X \ Y	1	2	3	4
1	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{32}$
2	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{32}$
3	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{16}$
4	$\frac{1}{4}$	0	0	0

$P_X = \frac{1}{2} \quad \frac{1}{4} \quad \frac{1}{8} \quad \frac{1}{8}$ 
  
 $H(X, Y) = \frac{2.7}{8} \text{ bits}$ 
  
 $H(X) = \frac{7}{4} \text{ bits}$ 
  
 $H(Y) = 2 \text{ bits}$ 
  
 $I(X; Y) = 0.375 \text{ bits}$

Conditional Mutual Information

$$I(X; Y|Z) = \mathbb{E} \left[ \log \frac{P_{XYZ}(X, Y|Z)}{P_{X|Z}(X|Z) P_{Y|Z}(Y|Z)} \right] = D(P_{XYZ} \| P_{X|Z} P_{Y|Z} | P_Z)$$

## Conditional Relative Entropy

$$D(P_{X|Y} || Q_{X|Y} | P_Y) = \mathbb{E}_{P_{X|Y}} \left[ \log \frac{P_{X|Y}(x|y)}{Q_{X|Y}(x|y)} \right]$$

Prop

$$I(X; Y | Z) = H(Y|Z) - H(Y|X, Z)$$

Chain Rules:

$$H(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n H(X_i | X_1, \dots, X_{i-1})$$

$$I(X_1, \dots, X_n; Y) = \sum_{i=1}^n I(X_i; Y | X_1, \dots, X_{i-1})$$

$$D(P_{XY} || Q_{XY}) = D(P_X || Q_X) + D(P_{Y|X} || Q_{Y|X} | P_X)$$