

Entropy-Based Measures (I): Conditional Entropy

□ Entropy of clustering \mathcal{C} : $H(\mathcal{C}) = - \sum_{i=1}^r p_{C_i} \log p_{C_i}$ $p_{C_i} = \frac{n_i}{n}$ (i.e., the probability of cluster C_i)

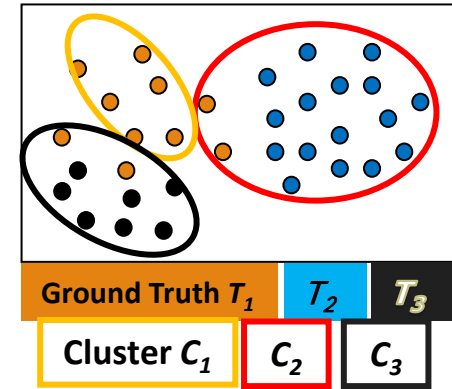
□ Entropy of partitioning \mathcal{T} : $H(\mathcal{T}) = - \sum_{j=1}^k p_{T_j} \log p_{T_j}$

□ Entropy of \mathcal{T} with respect to cluster C_i : $H(\mathcal{T}|C_i) = - \sum_{j=1}^k \left(\frac{n_{ij}}{n_i}\right) \log \left(\frac{n_{ij}}{n_i}\right)$

□ Conditional entropy of \mathcal{T} with respect to clustering \mathcal{C} : $H(\mathcal{T}|\mathcal{C}) = - \sum_{i=1}^r \left(\frac{n_i}{n}\right) H(\mathcal{T}|C_i) = - \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{j=1}^k p_{ij} \log \left(\frac{p_{ij}}{p_{C_i}}\right)$

□ The more a cluster's members are split into different partitions, the higher the conditional entropy

□ For a perfect clustering, the conditional entropy value is 0, where the worst possible conditional entropy value is $\log k$



$$\begin{aligned}
 H(\mathcal{T}|\mathcal{C}) &= - \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{j=1}^k p_{ij} (\log p_{ij} - \log p_{C_i}) = - \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{j=1}^k p_{ij} \log p_{ij} + \sum_{i=1}^r (\log p_{C_i} \sum_{j=1}^k p_{ij}) \\
 &= - \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{j=1}^k p_{ij} \log p_{ij} + \sum_{i=1}^r (p_{C_i} \log p_{C_i}) = H(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{T}) - H(\mathcal{C})
 \end{aligned}$$