

CS294-248 Special Topics in Database Theory

Unit 5: Entropies, Database Constraints

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Outline

- Today: recap the AGM and its generalization.
- Thursday: Databas Constraints

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Fractional edge covering number

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Arbitrary Cardinalities

- Each relation has a different cardinality $|R|, |S|, \dots$
- AGM is no longer N^{ρ^*} , but some function of $|R|, |S|, \dots$
- Need to consider multiple fractional vertex cover: AGM is a $\min(\dots)$.
- In practice: the AGM is given by a linear optimization problem, which generalizes the fractional edge cover/vertex packing.

Arbitrary Cardinalities: the Primal/Dual LPs

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Forall \mathbf{w} : $|Q| \leq \prod_j |R_j|^{w_j}$.

Lower bound:

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Forall \mathbf{v} , $\exists \text{DB s.t. } |Q| \geq \frac{1}{2^n} 2^{\sum_i v_i}$.

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Strong duality: $\min_{\mathbf{w}} \sum_j w_j \log |R_j| = \max_{\mathbf{v}} \sum_i v_i \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \log(\text{AGM})$

Discussion

- AGM bound is “tight”: factor $\frac{1}{2^{|\text{Vars}(Q)|}}$, often much better.
- Uses only cardinalities: extension only to **simple** FDs.
- No need for entropies yet.
- AGM bound is computable in PTIME in the size of Q .

Entropic Vectors

Motivation

- Extend the AGM bound to more statistics.
- Use in reasoning about constraints (next lecture).

Entropy, Entropic Vector

Entropy of a finite random variable:
$$h(X) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} - \sum_i p_i \log p_i$$

Entropic vector defined by n random variables: $(h(\mathbf{X}_S))_{S \subseteq [n]} \in \mathbb{R}_+^{2^n}$

Derived quantities:

Conditional Entropy:

Chain rule:

$$\begin{aligned} h(\mathbf{V}|\mathbf{U}) &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} h(\mathbf{UV}) - h(\mathbf{U}) \\ h(\mathbf{U}) + h(\mathbf{V}|\mathbf{V}) &= h(\mathbf{UV}) \end{aligned}$$

Conditional Mutual Information:

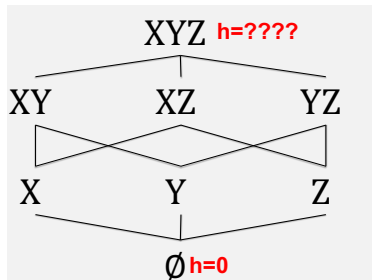
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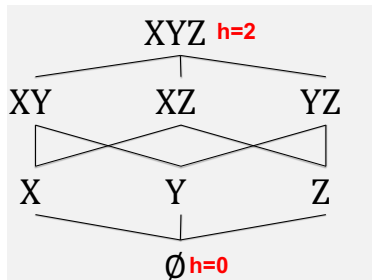


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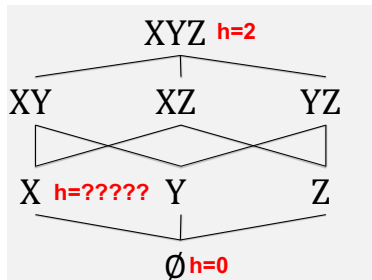


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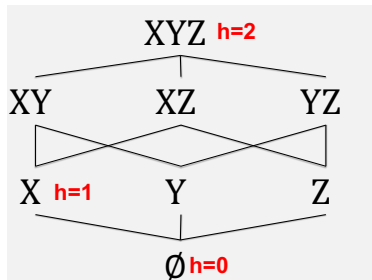


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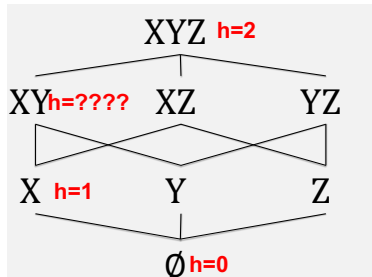


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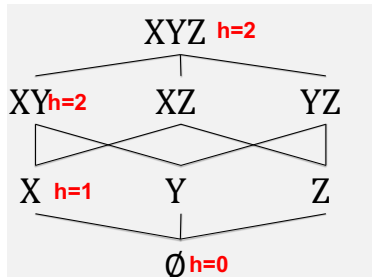


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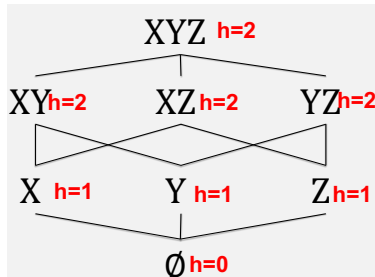


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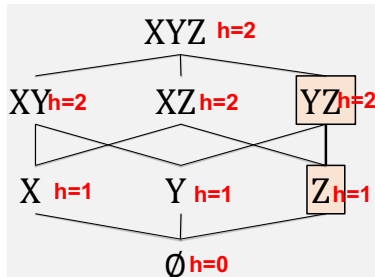


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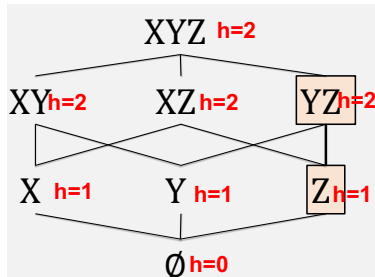
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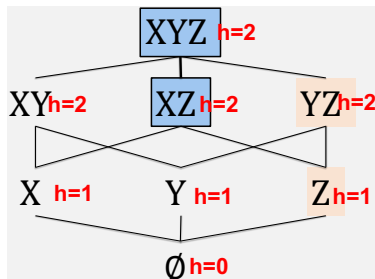
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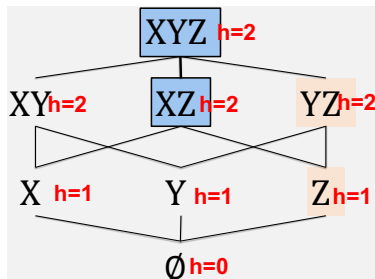
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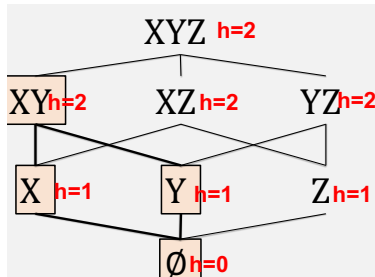
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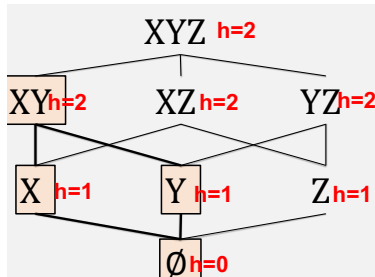
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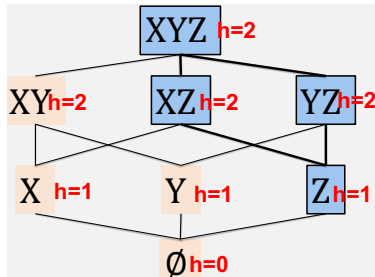
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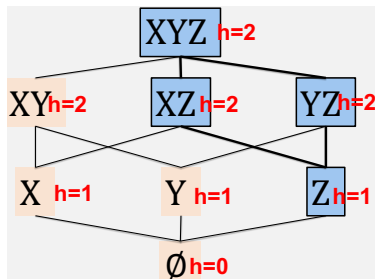
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Properties of Entropic Vectors

Prove these in the Homework, using the definition $\sum p_i \log p_i$

- $0 \leq h(X) \leq \log N$
- Monotonicity: $h(\mathbf{U}) \leq h(\mathbf{UV})$
- Submodularity: $h(\mathbf{U}) + h(\mathbf{V}) \geq h(\mathbf{U} \cup \mathbf{V}) + h(\mathbf{U} \cap \mathbf{V})$.
- Conditional: $h(\mathbf{V}|\mathbf{U}) = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{u}}[h(\mathbf{V}|\mathbf{U} = \mathbf{u})]$
- Conditional Independence: $\mathbf{V} \perp \mathbf{W}|\mathbf{U}$ iff $I_h(\mathbf{V}; \mathbf{W}|\mathbf{U}) = 0$.

Once these are establish, we no longer need the definition $\sum p_i \log p_i$.

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Discussion

- We view entropies as a vector in $\mathbb{R}_+^{2^{[n]}}$.
- After you do the homework: forget the formula $\sum p_i \log p_i$, but remember its (simple!) consequences.
- We use entropies to compute query upper bounds (next), and to reason about database constraints (later).

Generalized Query Upper Bound

Motivation

- The AGM bound uses only cardinalities. Massive overapproximation, e.g. join $R(X, Y) \bowtie S(Y, Z)$.
- To use additional statistics (max degrees, ℓ_p -norms) we need to rely on information inequalities.

Recap: From Statistics to Upper Bound

$$Q(X, Y, Z) = R(X, Y) \wedge S(Y, Z) \wedge T(Z, X)$$

Given an input instance $\mathbf{D} = (R^D, S^D, T^D)$,
define the uniform distribution on the output $Q(\mathbf{D})$:

$$Q(\mathbf{D}) =$$

X	Y	Z	p
a	b	c	$1/ Q $
a	b	d	$1/ Q $
	\dots		

$$\begin{aligned} \log |R^D| + \log |S^D| + \log |T^D| \\ \geq h(XY) + h(YZ) + h(XZ) \geq 2h(XYZ) \\ = 2 \log |Q(\mathbf{D})| \end{aligned}$$

Expressing Statistics Using the Entropy Vector

For any probability distribution on $R(X, Y)$, its entropy satisfies:

- $\boxed{h(XY) \leq \log |R|}.$
- $\boxed{h(Y|X) \leq \log \max \deg_R(Y|X)}.$
- For $p \in \mathbb{N}$, $p \geq 1$: $\boxed{h(X) + p \cdot h(Y|X) \leq \log \|\deg_R(Y|X)\|_p^p}$
(This is not obvious! Exercise)

This generalizes naturally to more attributes: $R(X, Y, Z, \dots)$

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$$|Q| \leq \sqrt{|R| \cdot |S| \cdot |T| \cdot \max(\deg(U|XZ)) \cdot \max(\deg(X|YU))}$$

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Discussion

- Current systems: use cardinalities, average degrees.
- Upper bound: uses cardinalities, max degrees, and ℓ_p -norms.

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- Predicates (equality, range, like) don't require new math, but lots of engineering to incorporate these stats into histograms.

Computing the Upper Bound

Motivation

- The AGM bound is defined by a linear optimization program, is computed in PTIME, and is tight.
- How do we compute the generalized upper bound?
Using an exponential-size linear optimization program.
- Is it tight? **Yes** for practical queries, **no** in general.

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Correctness Proof – Will Skip This Slide

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Proof: Multiply each inequality with its h -term and add them:

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Group by the coefficients $\mathbf{c}_1, \mathbf{c}_2, \mathbf{c}_3, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots$

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By design, the co-factor of σ_i is the LHS of a Shannon inequality,

$$\text{e.g. } \sigma_1(-h(XY) - h(YZ) + h(XYZ) + h(Y))$$

Shannon inequalities $-h(XY) - h(YZ) + h(XYZ) + h(Y) \leq 0$ imply:

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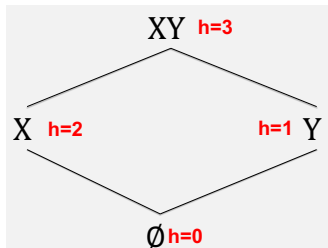
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- Special case: all degree sequences are **simple**, then \mathbf{h} is **normal**; \mathbf{h} defines a worst-case **normal database** [Suciu, 2023].

Modular Functions

$h \in \mathbb{R}_+^{2^n}$ is called *modular* if $h(\mathbf{U}) + h(\mathbf{V}) = h(\mathbf{UV})$ for all $\mathbf{U} \cap \mathbf{V} = \emptyset$.

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h is **modular** iff it is the entropic vector of n independent random variables

Discussion

On the homework:

- If all statistics are cardinality constraints (i.e. no conditionals $h(\mathbf{V}|\mathbf{U})$) then the dual LP has an optimal solution \mathbf{h} that is a **modular function**:
 - ▶ Can compute in PTIME (only n variables).
 - ▶ Can construct a product worst-case instance.
- This explains why the AGM is much simpler than the general case.

Not on the homework: if conditionals are **simple**: the dual has a **normal** optimal solution: need EXPTIME but admits a **domain-product** worst case instance (next lecture).



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