Exercises 3.15

Exercise 3.15.1

Let $p,\ p_i,\ q,\ q_i$ be density functions on $\mathbb{R}$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. Show that the cross-entropy satificies the following properties:

a. $S(p_1 + p_2, q) = S(p_1, q) + S(p_2, q)$;

b. $S(\alpha p, q) = \alpha S(p, q) = S(p, q^{\alpha})$;

c. $S(p, q_1 q_2) = S(p, q_1) + S(p, q_2)$.

Exercise 3.15.2

Show that the cross entropy satifies the following inequality

$$S(p, q) \geq 1 - \int p(x) q(x) dx$$

Exercise 3.15.3

Let p a fixed density. Show that the symetric relative entropy

$$D_{KL}(p \| q) + D_{KL}(q \| p)$$

reaches its minimum for $p = q$, and the minimum is equal to zero.

Exercise 3.15.4

Consider two exponential densities, $p_1 = \xi^1 e^{\xi^1 x}$ and $p_2 = \xi^2 e^{\xi^2 x}$, $x \geq 0$.

a. Show that $D_{KL}(p_1 \| p_2) = \dfrac{\xi^2}{\xi^1} - \ln \dfrac{\xi^2}{\xi^1} - 1$.

b. Verify $D_{KL}(p_1 \| p_2) \neq D_{KL}(p_2 \| p_1)$.

c. Show that the triangle inequality doesn't hold for three arbitrary densities.

Exercise 3.15.5

Let X be a discrete random variable. Show the inequality

$$H(X) \geq 0.$$

Exercise 3.15.6

Prove that if p and q are the densities of two discrete random variables, then $D_{KL}(p \| q) \leq S(p, q)$

Exercise 3.15.7

We asume the target variable Z is $\mathcal{E}$-mesurable. What is mean squared error function in this case?

Exercise 3.15.8

Asume that a neural network has an input-output function $f_{w,b}$ linear in w and b. Show that the cost function (3.3.1) reaches its minimum for a unique pair $(w^\star, b^\star)$, which can be computed explicitly.

Exercise 3.15.9

Show that the Shannon entropy can be retrived from the Reyni entropy as

$$H(p) = \lim_{\alpha \to 1} H_\alpha(x).$$

Exercise 3.15.10

Let $\phi_\sigma(x) = \dfrac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{t^2}{2\sigma^2}}$. Consider the convolution operation $(f * g)(x) := \displaystyle\int f(t)g(x-t)dt$.

a. Show that $\phi_\sigma * \phi_\sigma = \phi_{\sigma\sqrt{2}}$;

b. Find $\phi_\sigma * \phi_{\sigma'}$ in the case $\sigma \neq \sigma'$.

Exercise 3.15.11

Consider two probability densitie, $p(x)$ and $q(x)$. The Cauchy-Schwartz divergence is defined by

$$D_{CS}(p,q) := -\ln\left(\frac{\int p(x)q(x)dx}{\sqrt{\int p(x)^2 dx}\sqrt{\int q(x)^2 dx}}\right)$$

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Show the following:

a. $D_{CS}(p,q) = 0$ if and only if $p = q$;

b. $D_{CS}(p,q) \geq 0$;

c. $D_{CS}(p,q) = D_{CS}(q,p)$;

d. $D_{CS}(p,q) = -\ln \displaystyle\int pq dx - \frac{1}{2}H_2(p) - \frac{1}{2}H_2(q)$, where $H_2(\cdot)$ denotes the quadratic Reyni entropy.

Exercise 3.15.12

a. Show that for any function $f \in L^1[0,1]$ we have the inequality $\|\tanh(f)\|_1 \leq \|f\|_1$.

b. Show that for any function $f \in L^2[0,1]$ we have the inequality $\|\tanh\|_2 \leq \|f\|_2$.

Exercise 3.15.13

Consider two distributions on the sample space $\mathcal{X} = \{x_1, x_2\}$ given by

$$p = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}, \ q = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{2}{3} \end{pmatrix}$$

Consider the function $\phi : \mathcal{X} \to \mathbb{R}^2$ defined by $\phi(x_1) = (0, 1)$ $\phi(x_2) = (1, 0)$. Find the maximum mean discrepancy between p and q.

SOLUTIONS

3.15.1 (a)

The claim follows from the linearity of the integral operator. In symbols we have:

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\begin{aligned}
S(p_1+p_2,q) &= -\int_{\mathbb{R}}(p_1(x)+p_2(x))\text{ln}q(x)dx = -\int_{\mathbb{R}} p_1(x)\text{ln}q(x)dx - \int_{\mathbb{R}} p_2(x)\text{ln}q(x)dx \\
&= S(p_1,q)+S(p_2,q).
\end{aligned}
$$

□

3.15.1 (b)

From the linearity of the integral operator, and the property $c\ \ln(x) = \ln(x^c)$ we have:

$$
\begin{aligned}
S(\alpha p,q) &= -\int_{\mathbb{R}} \alpha p(x)\text{ln}q(x)dx = -\alpha\int_{\mathbb{R}} p(x)\text{ln}q(x)dx = \alpha S(p,q) \\
&= -\int_{\mathbb{R}} \alpha p(x)\text{ln}q(x)dx = -\int_{\mathbb{R}} p(x)\text{ln}q(x)^{\alpha}dx = S(p,q^{\alpha}).
\end{aligned}
$$

□

3.15.1 (c)

Using the addition identity for the logarithm, we get:

$$
\begin{aligned}
S(p,q_1q_2) &= -\int_{\mathbb{R}} p(x)\text{ln}q_1(x)q_2(x)dx = -\int_{\mathbb{R}} p(x)\text{ln}q_1(x)dx - \int_{\mathbb{R}} p(x)\text{ln}q_2(x) \\
&= S(p,q_1)+S(p,q_2).
\end{aligned}
$$

□

3.15.2

By the inequality $\ln(x) \leq x-1,\ \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^+$, and the definition of cross-entropy follows:

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\begin{aligned}
S(p,q) &= -\int_{\mathbb{R}} p(x)\text{ln}q(x)dx \geq -\int_{\mathbb{R}} p(x)(q(x)-1)dx \\
&\geq -\int_{\mathbb{R}} -p(x)dx - \int_{\mathbb{R}} p(x)q(x)dx = 1-\int_{\mathbb{R}} p(x)q(x)dx.
\end{aligned}
$$

□

3.15.3

From proposition 3.5.1 follows that $D_{KL}(p\|q) \geq 0$, $D_{KL}(q\|p) \geq 0$, then $D_{KL}(p\|q) + D_{KL}(q\|p) \geq 0$. Clearly the value 0 is it's minimum. Let's now prove that this minimum is attained when $p = q$.It is well known from the cross-entropy definition $S(p,p) = H(p)$ and $S(q,q) = H(q)$ then:

$D_{KL}(p\|q) = D_{KL}(p\|p) = S(p,p) - H(p) = 0$ and $D_{KL}(q\|p) = D_{KL}(q\|q) = S(q,q) - H(q) = 0$, which in turn imply $D_{KL}(p\|q) + D_{KL}(q\|p) = 0$. □

3.15.4 (a)

By direct calculation we find:

$$
\begin{aligned}
D_{KL}(p_1 \| p_2) = S(p_1, p_2) - H(p_1) &= -\int_{\mathbb{R}} \xi^1 e^{-\xi^1 x} \ln(\xi^2 e^{-\xi^2 x}) dx - \int_{\mathbb{R}} \xi^1 e^{-\xi^1 x} \ln(\xi^1 e^{-\xi^1 x}) \\
&= -\int_{\mathbb{R}} \xi^1 e^{-\xi^1 x} \ln(\xi^2) dx + \int_{\mathbb{R}} \xi^1 e^{-\xi^1 x} \xi^2 x dx + \int_{\mathbb{R}} \xi^1 e^{-\xi^1 x} \ln(\xi^1) dx - \int_{\mathbb{R}} \xi^1 e^{-\xi^1 x} \xi^1 x dx \\
&= -(\ln(\xi^2) - \ln(\xi^1)) \int_{\mathbb{R}} \xi^1 e^{-\xi^1 x} dx + (\xi^2 - \xi^1) \int_{\mathbb{R}} \xi^1 x e^{-\xi^1 x} dx \\
&= -(\ln(\xi^2) - \ln(\xi^1)) \mathbb{E}_{X \sim exp(\xi^1)}[1] + (\xi^2 - \xi^1) \mathbb{E}_{X \sim exp(\xi^1)}[X] = -\ln \frac{\xi^2}{\xi^1} + (\xi^2 - \xi^1) \frac{1}{\xi^1} \\
&= -\ln \frac{\xi^2}{\xi^1} + \frac{\xi^2}{\xi^1} - 1
\end{aligned}
$$

$\square$

3.15.4 (b)

Suppose the equality $D_{KL}(p\|p) = D_{KL}(q\|p)$ holds and $\xi^1 \neq \xi^2$, then from exercise 3.14.4.a it follows: $-\ln\frac{\xi^2}{\xi^1} + \frac{\xi^2}{\xi^1} - 1 = -\ln\frac{\xi^1}{\xi^2} + \frac{\xi^1}{\xi^2} - 1 \implies \frac{\xi^2}{\xi^1} = \frac{\xi^1}{\xi^2}$. The later implies $\frac{\xi^1}{\xi^2} = 1$ or equivalently $\xi^1 = \xi^2$, which is a contradiction.

3.15.4 (c)

Let $p_1 = exp(2)$, $p_2 = exp(3)$, $p_3 = exp(4)$. Suppose the triangle inequality holds for these three arbitary exponential distributions. This is:
$D_{KL}(p_1\|p_3) \leq D_{KL}(p_1\|p_2) + D_{KL}(p_2\|p_3)$. By exercise 3.15.4.$b$ we would have:

$$
\begin{aligned}
D_{KL}(p_1\|p_3) = \frac{4}{2} - \ln\frac{4}{2} - 1 \leq D_{KL}(p_1\|p_2) + D_{KL}(p_2\|p_3) &= \frac{3}{2} - \ln\frac{3}{2} - 1 + \frac{4}{3} - \ln\frac{4}{3} - 1 \\
2 \leq \frac{3}{2} + \frac{4}{3} - 1 = \frac{17}{6} - 1 = \frac{11}{6} &= \frac{12}{6} - \frac{1}{6} = 2 - \frac{1}{6} \text{ (contradiction!)}
\end{aligned}
$$

$\square$

3.15.5 (a)

Given that $p(x)$ is a distribution, it follows that $p(X)$ as a r.v satisffies the inequality $0 \leq p(X) \leq 1$. This means $p(x) \leq 1, \forall x \in \sup(X)$. Taking natural logs on both sides of the inequality $p(X) \leq 1$ and multiplying by -1, we obtain: $\ln p(x) \geq 0$; Multiplying by $p(x)$ and summing over the support of X, we get:

$$\mathbb{E}[-\ln p(X)] = H(X) = \sum_{x \in \sup(X)} -p(x)\, \ln(p(x)) \geq 0.$$

$\square$

3.15.6

This an inmediate consecuence of exercise 3.15.5. Indeed, we have:

$$D_{KL}(p\|q) = S(p,q) - H(p) \leq S(p,q) - 0 \leq S(p,q).$$

$\square$

3.15.7

If the target variable Z happens to be $\mathcal{E}-$mesurable, then Y is independent of the sigma algebra $\mathcal{E}$. From this follows that $C(\omega, b) = \mathrm{d}(Z,Y)^2 = \mathbb{E}\left[(Z - \mathbb{E}\left[Z|\mathcal{E}\right])^2\right] = \mathbb{E}\left[(Z-Z)^2\right] = 0$.

3.15.8

In this case $f_{\omega,b}(\mathbf{x}) = \omega \cdot \mathbf{x} + b$. Therefore, the cost function is given by
$C(\omega, b) := \sum\limits_{0 \leq i \leq n} (\omega \cdot \mathbf{x} + b - \phi(\mathbf{x_i}))^2$. Let $\mathbf{x}_i$ the n-dimensional observations, i.e $\mathbf{x}_i = (x)$. Then, the normal equations for the ω_k (the componentes of the vector ω), $\forall k \in [n]$ and the bias parameter b are:

$$\begin{cases} \partial_{\omega_k} C(\omega, b) = \sum\limits_{0 \leq i \leq n} 2(f_{\omega,b}(\mathbf{x}) - \phi(x_i))\partial_{\omega_k} f_{\omega,b}(\mathbf{x}) = 0, \implies \sum\limits_{0 \leq i \leq n} (\omega \cdot \mathbf{x} b \sum\limits_{0 \leq i \leq n} x_k = \sum\limits_{0 \leq i \leq n} \phi(x_i) x_i \\ \partial_b C(\omega, b) = \sum\limits_{0 \leq i \leq n} 2(f_{\omega,b}(\mathbf{x}) - \phi(x_i)) = 0 \implies \omega \sum\limits_{0 \leq i \leq n} x_i + nb = \sum\limits_{0 \leq i \leq n} \phi(x_i) \end{cases} \tag{1}$$

3.15.9

- The function is