

# Notes of DP - Bayesian Inference

## 1 Setting up

The Bayesian inference process is denoted as  $\text{BI}(x, \text{prior})$  taking an observed data set  $x \in \mathcal{X}^n$  and a prior distribution as input, outputting a posterior distribution *posterior*. For conciseness, when prior is given, we use  $\text{BI}(x)$ .

For now, we already have a prior distribution *prior*, an observed data set  $x$ .

### 1.1 Exponential Mechanism with Global Sensitivity

#### 1.1.1 Mechanism Set up

In exponential mechanism, candidate set  $R$  can be obtained by enumerating  $y \in \mathcal{X}^n$ , i.e.

$$R = \{\text{BI}(y) \mid y \in \mathcal{X}^n\}.$$

Hellinger distance  $H$  is used here to score these candidates. The utility function:

$$u(x, r) = -H(\text{BI}(x), r); r \in R. \quad (1)$$

Exponential mechanism with global sensitivity selects and outputs a candidate  $r \in R$  with probability proportional to  $\exp(\frac{\epsilon u(x, r)}{2\Delta_g u})$ :

$$P[r] = \frac{\exp(\frac{\epsilon u(x, r)}{2\Delta_g u})}{\sum_{r' \in R} \exp(\frac{\epsilon u(x, r')}{2\Delta_g u})},$$

where global sensitivity is calculated by:

$$\Delta_g u = \max_{\{|x', y'| \leq 1; x', y' \in \mathcal{X}^n\}} \max_{\{r \in R\}} |H(\text{BI}(x'), r) - H(\text{BI}(y'), r)|$$

### 1.1.2 Security Analysis

It can be proved that exponential mechanism with global sensitivity is  $\epsilon$ -differentially private. We denote the BI with privacy mechanism as  $\text{PrivInfer}$ . For adjacent data set  $\|x, y\|_1 = 1$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{P[\text{PrivInfer}(x, u, R) = r]}{P[\text{PrivInfer}(y, u, R) = r]} &= \frac{\frac{\exp(\frac{\epsilon u(x, r)}{2\Delta_g u})}{\sum_{r' \in R} \exp(\frac{\epsilon u(x, r')}{2\Delta_g u})}}{\frac{\exp(\frac{\epsilon u(y, r)}{2\Delta_g u})}{\sum_{r' \in R} \exp(\frac{\epsilon u(y, r')}{2\Delta_g u})}} \\
&= \left( \frac{\exp(\frac{\epsilon u(x, r)}{2\Delta_g u})}{\exp(\frac{\epsilon u(y, r)}{2\Delta_g u})} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{\sum_{r' \in R} \exp(\frac{\epsilon u(y, r')}{2\Delta_g u})}{\sum_{r' \in R} \exp(\frac{\epsilon u(x, r')}{2\Delta_g u})} \right) \\
&= \exp\left(\frac{\epsilon(u(x, r) - u(y, r))}{2\Delta_g u}\right) \cdot \left( \frac{\sum_{r' \in R} \exp(\frac{\epsilon u(y, r')}{2\Delta_g u})}{\sum_{r' \in R} \exp(\frac{\epsilon u(x, r')}{2\Delta_g u})} \right) \\
&\leq \exp\left(\frac{\epsilon}{2}\right) \cdot \exp\left(\frac{\epsilon}{2}\right) \cdot \left( \frac{\sum_{r' \in R} \exp(\frac{\epsilon u(x, r')}{2\Delta_g u})}{\sum_{r' \in R} \exp(\frac{\epsilon u(x, r')}{2\Delta_g u})} \right) \\
&= \exp(\epsilon).
\end{aligned}$$

Then,  $\frac{P[\text{PrivInfer}(x, u, R) = r]}{P[\text{PrivInfer}(y, u, R) = r]} \geq \exp(-\epsilon)$  can be obtained by symmetry.

## 1.2 Exponential Mechanism with Local Sensitivity

### 1.2.1 Mechanism Set up

Exponential mechanism with local sensitivity share the same candidate set and utility function as it with global sensitivity. This outputs a candidate  $r \in R$  with probability proportional to  $\exp(\frac{\epsilon u(x, r)}{2\Delta_l u})$ :

$$P[r] = \frac{\exp(\frac{\epsilon u(x, r)}{2\Delta_l u})}{\sum_{r' \in R} \exp(\frac{\epsilon u(x, r')}{2\Delta_l u})},$$

where local sensitivity is calculated by:

$$\Delta_l u(x) = \max_{\{x, y' | \|x - y'\|_1 \leq 1\}} \max_{\{r \in R\}} |H(\text{BI}(x), r) - H(\text{BI}(y'), r)|$$

### 1.2.2 Security Analysis

We will then prove that exponential mechanism with local sensitivity is non-differentially private.

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{P[\text{PrivInfer}(x, u, R) = r]}{P[\text{PrivInfer}(y, u, R) = r]} &= \exp\left(\frac{\epsilon u(x, r)}{2\Delta_l u(x)} - \frac{\epsilon u(y, r)}{2\Delta_l u(y)}\right) \cdot \left( \frac{\sum_{r' \in R} \exp(\frac{\epsilon u(y, r')}{2\Delta_l u(y)})}{\sum_{r' \in R} \exp(\frac{\epsilon u(x, r')}{2\Delta_l u(x)})} \right) \\
&= \frac{\sum_{r' \in R} \exp(\frac{\epsilon u(x, r')}{2\Delta_l u(x)} + \frac{\epsilon u(y, r')}{2\Delta_l u(y)})}{\sum_{r' \in R} \exp(\frac{\epsilon u(y, r')}{2\Delta_l u(y)} + \frac{\epsilon u(x, r')}{2\Delta_l u(x)})}.
\end{aligned}$$

Without loss of generality, we consider the case that  $\Delta_l u(y) < \Delta_l u(x)$ ,  $r = \arg(\max_{r' \in R} \{u(x, r')\}) = \arg(\min_{r' \in R} \{u(y, r')\})$  and  $\Delta_l u(y) = u(x, r) - u(y, r)$ . We have:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\sum_{r' \in R} \exp(\frac{\epsilon u(x, r)}{2\Delta_l u(x)} + \frac{\epsilon u(y, r')}{2\Delta_l u(y)})}{\sum_{r' \in R} \exp(\frac{\epsilon u(y, r)}{2\Delta_l u(y)} + \frac{\epsilon u(x, r')}{2\Delta_l u(x)})} &> \frac{\sum_{r' \in R} \exp(\frac{\epsilon(u(x, r) + u(y, r'))}{2\Delta_l u(x)})}{\sum_{r' \in R} \exp(\frac{\epsilon(u(y, r) + u(x, r'))}{2\Delta_l u(y)})} \\
&> \frac{|R| \exp(\frac{\epsilon(u(x, r) + u(y, r))}{2\Delta_l u(x)})}{|R| \exp(\frac{\epsilon(u(y, r) + u(x, r))}{2\Delta_l u(y)})} \\
&= \exp(\frac{\epsilon}{2} (\frac{u(x, r) + u(y, r)}{\Delta_l u(x)} - \frac{u(x, r) + u(y, r)}{\Delta_l u(y)})).
\end{aligned}$$

From Eq. 1,  $\{u(x, r') \leq 0 | r' \in R\}$  and  $\{u(y, r') \leq 0 | r' \in R\}$ , we can infer that  $r = \arg(\max_{r' \in R} \{u(x, r')\}) = \arg(\min_{r' \in R} \{u(y, r')\})$  and  $u(x, r) = 0$ . From  $\Delta_l u(y) = u(x, r) - u(y, r)$ , we can also infer that  $\Delta_l u(y) = -u(y, r)$ . Then, the following relationship between  $u(x, r)$ ,  $u(y, r)$ ,  $\Delta_l u(x)$  and  $\Delta_l u(y)$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
-\Delta_l u(x) &< \Delta_l u(y) \\
\Delta_l u(x) - \Delta_l u(y) &< 2\Delta_l u(x) \\
-\Delta_l u(y)(\Delta_l u(y) - \Delta_l u(x)) &< 2\Delta_l u(x)\Delta_l u(y) \\
u(y, r)(\Delta_l u(y) - \Delta_l u(x)) &< 2\Delta_l u(x)\Delta_l u(y) \\
\frac{u(x, r) + u(y, r)}{\Delta_l u(x)} - \frac{u(x, r) + u(y, r)}{\Delta_l u(y)} &> 2.
\end{aligned}$$

holds.

Then we can have:

$$\begin{aligned}
&\exp(\frac{\epsilon}{2} (\frac{u(x, r) + u(y, r)}{\Delta_l u(y)} - \frac{u(x, r) + u(y, r)}{\Delta_l u(x)})) \\
&> \exp(\frac{\epsilon}{2} * 2) \\
&= \exp(\epsilon),
\end{aligned}$$

i.e.

$$\frac{P[\text{PrivInfer}(x, u, R) = r]}{P[\text{PrivInfer}(y, u, R) = r]} > \exp(\epsilon).$$

Since there are cases where exponential mechanism with local sensitivity's privacy loss is greater than  $e^\epsilon$ . we can say it is non-differentially private.

### 1.3 Exponential Mechanism of Varying Sensitivity

#### 1.3.1 Mechanism Setting up

#### 1.3.2 Security Analysis

### 1.4 Exponential Mechanism of Smooth Sensitivity

#### 1.4.1 Mechanism Setting up

#### 1.4.2 Security Analysis

## 2 Privacy Fix

### 2.1 Propositions

Assume we have a prior distribution  $\text{beta}(1, 1)$ , an observed data set  $x \in \{0, 1\}^n$ ,  $n > 0$ . We use the  $x + 1$  and  $x - 1$  to denote:

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{if } \text{BayesInfer}(x) = \text{beta}(a_1 + 1, b_1 + 1) \\ &\text{then } \text{BayesInfer}(x + 1) = \text{beta}((a_1 + 1) + 1, (b_1 - 1) + 1) \\ &\quad \text{BayesInfer}(x - 1) = \text{beta}((a_1 - 1) + 1, (b_1 + 1) + 1), \end{aligned}$$

$x_0$  to denote:

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ &\text{then } \text{BI}(x_0) = \text{beta}\left(\frac{n}{2} + 1, \frac{n}{2} + 1\right) \\ &\text{else } \text{BI}(x_0) = \left\{ \text{beta}\left(\frac{n+1}{2} + 1, \frac{n-1}{2} + 1\right), \right. \\ &\quad \left. \text{beta}\left(\frac{n-1}{2} + 1, \frac{n+1}{2} + 1\right) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$\text{beta}(\alpha, \beta)$  is the beta function with two arguments  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .

Then, we have the following three statements, and proofs of the statements.

I  $\text{H}(\text{BI}(x), \text{BI}(x + 1)) < \text{H}(\text{BI}(x + 1), \text{BI}(x + 2)) \ \forall x \geq x_0$ ;  
or  $\text{H}(\text{BI}(x), \text{BI}(x + 1)) > \text{H}(\text{BI}(x + 1), \text{BI}(x + 2)) \ \forall x \leq x_0$ .

II  $\Delta_l u(x) = \text{H}(\text{BI}(x), \text{BI}(x + 1)), \forall x \geq x_0$ ;  
 $\Delta_l u(x) = \text{H}(\text{BI}(x), \text{BI}(x - 1)), \forall x \leq x_0$ .

III  $\forall x \neq x_0 : \Delta_l u(x) > \Delta_l u(x_0)$ .

### 2.2 proof

#### 2.2.1 Statement I

We use the MI (Mathematical Induction) method to prove the first statement.

*Proof.* Since the Hellinger distance is symmetric, if we prove the  $\text{H}(\text{BI}(x), \text{BI}(x + 1)) < \text{H}(\text{BI}(x + 1), \text{BI}(x + 2)) \ \forall x \geq x_0$ , the other part when  $\forall x \leq x_0$  also holds.

1. if  $x = x_0$ ,  $\text{H}(\text{BI}(x_0), \text{BI}(x_0 + 1)) < \text{H}(\text{BI}(x_0 + 1), \text{BI}(x_0 + 2))$  holds:

$$\begin{aligned}
& H(\text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 1, \frac{n}{2} + 1), \text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 1 + 1, \frac{n}{2} + 1 - 1)) < H(\text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 1 + 1, \frac{n}{2} + 1 - 1), \text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 1 + 2, \frac{n}{2} + 1 - 2)) \\
& \sqrt{1 - \frac{\text{beta}(\frac{\frac{n}{2} + 1 + \frac{n}{2} + 1 + 1}{2}, \frac{\frac{n}{2} + 1 + \frac{n}{2} + 1 - 1}{2})}{\sqrt{\text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 1, \frac{n}{2} + 1) \text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 1 + 1, \frac{n}{2} + 1 - 1)}}} < \sqrt{1 - \frac{\text{beta}(\frac{\frac{n}{2} + 1 + 1 + \frac{n}{2} + 1 + 2}{2}, \frac{\frac{n}{2} + 1 - 1 + \frac{n}{2} + 1 - 2}{2})}{\sqrt{\text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 1 + 1, \frac{n}{2} + 1 - 1) \text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 1 + 2, \frac{n}{2} + 1 - 2)}}} \\
& \sqrt{1 - \frac{\text{beta}(\frac{n+3}{2}, \frac{n+1}{2})}{\sqrt{\text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 1, \frac{n}{2} + 1) \text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 2, \frac{n}{2})}}} < \sqrt{1 - \frac{\text{beta}(\frac{n+5}{2}, \frac{n-1}{2})}{\sqrt{\text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 2, \frac{n}{2}) \text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 3, \frac{n}{2} - 1)}}} \\
& \frac{\text{beta}(\frac{n+3}{2}, \frac{n+1}{2})}{\sqrt{\text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 1, \frac{n}{2} + 1) \text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 2, \frac{n}{2})}} > \frac{\text{beta}(\frac{n+5}{2}, \frac{n-1}{2})}{\sqrt{\text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 2, \frac{n}{2}) \text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 3, \frac{n}{2} - 1)}} \\
& \frac{\text{beta}(\frac{n+3}{2}, \frac{n-1}{2}) \frac{\frac{n-1}{2}}{\frac{n-1}{2} + \frac{n+3}{2}}}{\sqrt{\text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 1, \frac{n}{2} - 1) \frac{\frac{n-1}{2}}{\frac{n-1}{2} + \frac{n+3}{2}}}} > \frac{\text{beta}(\frac{n+3}{2}, \frac{n-1}{2}) \frac{\frac{n+3}{2}}{\frac{n+3}{2} + \frac{n-1}{2}}}{\sqrt{\text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 1, \frac{n}{2} - 1) \frac{\frac{n+3}{2}}{\frac{n+3}{2} + \frac{n-1}{2}}}} \\
& \frac{\frac{n-1}{2}}{\sqrt{(\frac{n}{2} - 1)(\frac{n}{2})}} > \frac{\frac{n+3}{2}}{\sqrt{(\frac{n}{2} + 1)(\frac{n}{2} + 2)}} \\
& (n-1)^2(n+2)(n+4) > (n+3)^2n(n-2) \\
& n > -1.
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $n > 0$ , it always holds.

2. if  $x = x_0 + m$  holds, then also  $x = x_0 + m + 1$  holds:

i.e  $H(\text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 1 + m, \frac{n}{2} + 1 - m), \text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 1 + m + 1, \frac{n}{2} + 1 - m - 1)) < H(\text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 1 + m + 1, \frac{n}{2} + 1 - m - 1), \text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 1 + m + 2, \frac{n}{2} + 1 - m - 2))$  is what we know:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sqrt{1 - \frac{\text{beta}(\frac{\frac{n}{2} + 1 + m + \frac{n}{2} + 1 + m + 1}{2}, \frac{\frac{n}{2} + 1 - m + \frac{n}{2} + 1 - m - 1}{2})}{\sqrt{\text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 1 + m, \frac{n}{2} + 1 - m) \text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 2 + m, \frac{n}{2} - m)}}} \\
& < \sqrt{1 - \frac{\text{beta}(\frac{\frac{n}{2} + 1 + m + 1 + \frac{n}{2} + 1 + m + 2}{2}, \frac{\frac{n}{2} + 1 - m - 1 + \frac{n}{2} + 1 - m - 2}{2})}{\sqrt{\text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 2 + m, \frac{n}{2} - m) \text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 3 + m, \frac{n}{2} - m - 1)}}} \\
& \frac{\text{beta}(\frac{n+2m+3}{2}, \frac{n-2m+1}{2})}{\sqrt{\text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 1 + m, \frac{n}{2} + 1 - m) \text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 2 + m, \frac{n}{2} - m)}} \\
& > \frac{\text{beta}(\frac{n+2m+5}{2}, \frac{n-2m-1}{2})}{\sqrt{\text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 2 + m, \frac{n}{2} - m) \text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 3 + m, \frac{n}{2} - m - 1)}}
\end{aligned}$$

Now, we need to proof  $H(\text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 1 + m + 1, \frac{n}{2} + 1 - m - 1), \text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 1 + m + 2, \frac{n}{2} + 1 - m - 2)) < H(\text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 1 + m + 2, \frac{n}{2} + 1 - m - 2), \text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 1 + m + 3, \frac{n}{2} + 1 - m - 3))$  by using what we know.

From  $x = x_0 + m$  and property of  $\text{beta}(\alpha, \beta)$  function, we know:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\text{beta}(\frac{n+2m+5}{2}, \frac{n-2m-1}{2}) \frac{n-2m-1}{n+2m+3}}{\sqrt{\text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 2 + m, \frac{n}{2} - m) \text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 3 + m, \frac{n}{2} - m - 1) \frac{n-2m}{n+2m+2}}} \\
& > \frac{\text{beta}(\frac{n+2m+7}{2}, \frac{n-2m-3}{2}) \frac{n-2m-3}{n+2m+5}}{\sqrt{\text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 2 + m, \frac{n}{2} - m) \text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 3 + m, \frac{n}{2} - m - 1) \frac{n-2m-2}{n+2m+6}}}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\text{beta}(\frac{n+2m+5}{2}, \frac{n-2m-1}{2})}{\sqrt{\text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 2 + m, \frac{n}{2} - m) \text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 3 + m, \frac{n}{2} - m - 1)}} \\
& > \frac{\text{beta}(\frac{n+2m+7}{2}, \frac{n-2m-3}{2})}{\sqrt{\text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 2 + m, \frac{n}{2} - m) \text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 3 + m, \frac{n}{2} - m - 1)}} \\
& \sqrt{1 - \frac{\text{beta}(\frac{n+2m+5}{2}, \frac{n-2m-1}{2})}{\sqrt{\text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 2 + m, \frac{n}{2} - m) \text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 3 + m, \frac{n}{2} - m - 1)}}} \\
& < \sqrt{1 - \frac{\text{beta}(\frac{n+2m+7}{2}, \frac{n-2m-3}{2})}{\sqrt{\text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 2 + m, \frac{n}{2} - m) \text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 3 + m, \frac{n}{2} - m - 1)}}} \\
& H(\text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 2 + m, \frac{n}{2} - m), \text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + 3 + m, \frac{n}{2} - 1 - m)) \\
& < H(\text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + m + 3, \frac{n}{2} - 1 - m), \text{beta}(\frac{n}{2} + m + 4, \frac{n}{2} - m - 2))
\end{aligned}$$

i.e.  $x = x_0 + m + 1$  also holds when  $x = x_0 + m$  is valid. □

## 2.2.2 Statement II

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned}
& \therefore^1 \quad \Delta_l u(x) = |H(\text{BI}(x), r) - H(\text{BI}(y'), r)|, \\
& \quad \max_{\{|x, y'| \leq 1; y' \in \mathcal{X}^n\}} \max_{\{r \in R\}}; \\
& \therefore \quad H(\text{BI}(x), r) - H(\text{BI}(y'), r) \\
& \quad \leq H(\text{BI}(x), \text{BI}(y')); \\
& \therefore^2 \quad \Delta_l u(x) = H(\text{BI}(x), \text{BI}(y')), \\
& \quad \max_{\{|x, y'| \leq 1; y' \in \mathcal{X}^n\}}; \\
& \therefore \quad \Delta_l u(x) = \max\{H(\text{BI}(x), \text{BI}(x+1)), \\
& \quad \quad H(\text{BI}(x), \text{BI}(x-1))\}; \\
& \quad \text{According to Statement I :} \\
& \quad \text{if } x > x_0 \\
& \text{then } H(\text{BI}(x), \text{BI}(x-1)) \\
& \quad < H(\text{BI}(x), \text{BI}(x+1)); \\
& \text{then } \Delta_l u(x) = H(\text{BI}(x), \text{BI}(x+1)); \\
& \quad \text{if } x < x_0 \\
& \text{then } H(\text{BI}(x), \text{BI}(x-1)) \\
& \quad > H(\text{BI}(x), \text{BI}(x+1)); \\
& \text{then } \Delta_l u(x) = H(\text{BI}(x), \text{BI}(x-1)); \\
& \text{else } \Delta_l u(x_0) = H(\text{BI}(x_0), \text{BI}(x_0-1)) \\
& \quad = H(\text{BI}(x_0), \text{BI}(x_0+1)).
\end{aligned}$$

From above, we can conclude the Statement II. □

### 2.2.3 Statement III

*Proof.* From Statement I and Statement II, we can conclude that:

$$\begin{aligned}
&\text{when } x > x_0 \\
&\quad \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{Bl}(x), \mathbf{Bl}(x+1)) \\
&\quad > \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{Bl}(x_0), \mathbf{Bl}(x_0+1)); \\
&\quad \text{i.e. } \Delta_I u(x) > \Delta_I u(x_0) \\
&\text{when } x < x_0 \\
&\quad \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{Bl}(x), \mathbf{Bl}(x-1)) \\
&\quad > \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{Bl}(x_0), \mathbf{Bl}(x_0-1)); \\
&\quad \text{i.e. } \Delta_I u(x) > \Delta_I u(x_0).
\end{aligned}$$

i.e  $\forall x \neq x_0, \Delta_I u(x) > \Delta_I u(x_0)$ .

□

## 3 Smooth sensitivity

### 3.1 Dilation Property of Laplace Noise

**Lemma 3.1.** *For 1-dimensional Laplace distribution:  $h(z) = \frac{1}{2}e^{-|z|}$ ,  $\alpha = \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ ,  $\beta = \frac{\epsilon}{2\rho_{\delta/3}(|z|)}$  or  $\frac{\epsilon}{2\ln(2/\delta)}$  and  $|\lambda| \leq \beta$ , the dilation property holds for any  $z$  sampled from  $h$ :*

$$Pr[z \in S] \leq e^{\frac{\delta}{2}} Pr[z \in e^\lambda S] + \frac{\delta}{2}$$

*Proof.* From the integral substitution property, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{Pr[z \in e^\lambda S]}{Pr[z \in S]} &= \frac{\int_{e^\lambda S} \frac{1}{2}e^{-|z|} dz}{\int_S \frac{1}{2}e^{-|z|} dz} \\
&= \frac{\int_S \frac{1}{2}e^{-|e^\lambda z|} e^\lambda dz}{\int_S \frac{1}{2}e^{-|z|} dz} \\
&= \frac{e^{-|e^\lambda z|} e^\lambda}{e^{-|z|}} \\
&= \frac{e^\lambda h(e^\lambda z)}{h(z)}
\end{aligned}$$

Then, we proof the dilation property in cases of  $\lambda > 0$  and  $\lambda < 0$  separately:

**case 1:**  $\lambda > 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\because h(e^\lambda z) = \frac{1}{2}e^{-|e^\lambda z|} < \frac{1}{2}e^{-|z|} = h(z) \\
&\therefore \frac{Pr[z \in e^\lambda S]}{Pr[z \in S]} = \frac{e^\lambda h(e^\lambda z)}{h(z)} \leq e^\lambda \\
&\therefore \ln\left(\frac{e^\lambda h(e^\lambda z)}{h(z)}\right) \leq \lambda \\
&\therefore \lambda \leq \beta = \frac{\epsilon}{2\ln(3/\delta)}, \delta < 1 \\
&\therefore \lambda \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2} \\
&\therefore \frac{Pr[z \in e^\lambda S]}{Pr[z \in S]} \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2}
\end{aligned}$$

• **case 2:**  $\lambda < 0$

From integral property, we firstly have:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{Pr[z \in e^\lambda S]}{Pr[z \in S]} &= \frac{e^{-|e^\lambda z|}e^\lambda}{e^{-|z|}} = \frac{h(e^\lambda z)e^\lambda}{h(z)} = e^\lambda e^{|z|(1-e^\lambda)} \\
&\because 1 - e^\lambda \leq |\lambda| \\
&\therefore \ln\left(\frac{h(e^\lambda z)e^\lambda}{h(z)}\right) \leq \lambda + |z||\lambda| \\
&\because \lambda < 0 \\
&\therefore \ln\left(\frac{h(e^\lambda z)e^\lambda}{h(z)}\right) \leq |z||\lambda|
\end{aligned}$$

By setting  $h'(z) = e^\lambda h(e^\lambda z)$ , we can get:

$$\begin{aligned}
&\ln\left(\frac{h'(z)}{h(z)}\right) \leq |z||\lambda| \\
&\Rightarrow h'(z) \leq e^{|z||\lambda|}h(z)
\end{aligned}$$

By exchanging the notation of  $h'$  and  $h$ , we have:

$$h(z) \leq e^{|z||\lambda|}h'(z)$$

i.e.

$$Pr_{z \sim h}[z \in S] \leq e^{|z||\lambda|} Pr_{z \sim h'}[z \in S] = e^{|z||\lambda|} Pr_{z \sim h}[z \in e^\lambda S]$$

We consider an event  $G = \{z \mid |z| \leq \log(\frac{2}{\delta})\}$ . Under this event, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
|z||\lambda| &\leq \log\left(\frac{2}{\delta}\right)|\lambda| \\
&\leq \log\left(\frac{2}{\delta}\right)\beta \\
&\leq \log\left(\frac{2}{\delta}\right)\frac{\epsilon}{2\log(\frac{3}{\delta})} \\
&\leq \frac{\epsilon}{2}.
\end{aligned}$$



Then:

$$\begin{aligned} Pr_{z \sim h}[z \in S \cap G] &\leq e^{|z||\lambda|} Pr_{z \sim h'}[z \in S \cap G] \\ &\leq e^{\frac{\epsilon}{2}} Pr_{z \sim h'}[z \in S \cap G] \end{aligned}$$

We also have:

$$Pr[\overline{G}] = Pr[|z| > \log(\frac{2}{\delta})] = \exp(-\log(\frac{2}{\delta})) = \frac{\delta}{2}$$

Then, we can get

$$\begin{aligned} Pr_{z \sim h}[z \in S] &\leq Pr_{z \sim h}[z \in S \cap G] + Pr_{z \sim h}[z \in \overline{G}] \\ &\leq e^{\frac{\epsilon}{2}} Pr_{z \sim h'}[z \in S \cap G] + \frac{\delta}{2} \\ &\leq e^{\frac{\epsilon}{2}} Pr_{z \sim h'}[z \in S] + \frac{\delta}{2} \\ &= e^{\frac{\epsilon}{2}} Pr_{z \sim h}[z \in e^\lambda S] + \frac{\delta}{2} \end{aligned}$$

i.e. the dilation property. □

### 3.2 Sliding Property of Exponential Mechanism

**Lemma 3.2.** *for any exponential mechanism  $\mathcal{M}_E(x, u, \mathcal{R})$ ,  $\lambda = f(\epsilon, \delta)$ ,  $\epsilon$  and  $|\delta| < 1$ , the sliding property holds:*

$$Pr_{z \sim \mathcal{M}_E(x, u, \mathcal{R})}[u(r, x) = \hat{s}] \leq e^{\frac{\epsilon}{2}} Pr_{z \sim \mathcal{M}_E(x, u, \mathcal{R})}[u(r, x) = (\Delta + \hat{s})] + \frac{\delta}{2},$$

where the sensitivity in mechanism is smooth sensitivity  $S(x)$ , calculated by:

$$S_\beta(x) = \max(\Delta_I u(x), \max_{y \neq x; y \in D^n} (\Delta_I u(y) \cdot e^{-\beta d(x, y)})),$$

where  $\beta = \beta(\epsilon, \delta)$ .

*Proof.* We denote the normalizer of the probability mass in  $\mathcal{M}_E(x, u, \mathcal{R})$ :  $\sum_{r' \in \mathcal{R}} \exp(\frac{\epsilon u(r', x)}{2S(x)})$  as  $NL_x$ :

$$\begin{aligned} LHS &= Pr_{z \sim \mathcal{M}_E(x, u, \mathcal{R})}[u(r, x) = \hat{s}] = \frac{\exp(\frac{\epsilon \hat{s}}{2S(x)})}{NL_x} \\ &= \frac{\exp(\frac{\epsilon(\hat{s} + \Delta - \Delta)}{2S(x)})}{NL_x} \\ &= \frac{\exp(\frac{\epsilon(\hat{s} + \Delta)}{2S(x)} + \frac{-\epsilon \Delta}{2S(x)})}{NL_x} \\ &= \frac{\exp(\frac{\epsilon(\hat{s} + \Delta)}{2S(x)})}{NL_x} \cdot e^{\frac{-\epsilon \Delta}{2S(x)}}. \end{aligned}$$

By bounding the  $\Delta \geq -S(x)$ , we can get:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\exp(\frac{\epsilon(\hat{s}+\Delta)}{2S(x)})}{NL_x} \cdot e^{\frac{-\epsilon\Delta}{2S(x)}} &\leq \frac{\exp(\frac{\epsilon(\hat{s}+\Delta)}{2S(x)})}{NL_x} \cdot e^{\frac{\epsilon}{2}} \\
&= e^{\frac{\epsilon}{2}} \Pr_{z \sim \mathcal{M}_E(x,u,\mathcal{R})} [u(r,x) = (\Delta + \hat{s})] \leq RHS
\end{aligned}$$

□

### 3.3 Dilation Property of Exponential Mechanism

## 4 Experimental Evaluations

We got some results from these mechanisms.