

Tutorial 2 - Problem 3

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Let X be a random variable

$$R_X = \{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_m\}$$

According to the initial distribution,

$$P(X = x_1) = p_1$$

$$P(X = x_2) = p_2$$

\vdots

$$P(X = x_m) = p_m$$

Suppose $p_1 > p_2$

$$H(X) = f(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_m) = \sum_i p_i \log \frac{1}{p_i}$$

According to the final distribution,

$$P(X = x_1) = p'_1 = p_1 - \Delta p$$

$$\Delta p > 0$$

$$P(X = x_2) = p'_2 = p_2 + \Delta p$$

$$p'_1 > p'_2$$

$$P(X = x_3) = p'_3 = p_3$$

\vdots

$$P(X = x_m) = p'_m = p_m$$

$$H(X) = f(p'_1, p'_2, \dots, p'_m) = \sum_i p'_i \log \frac{1}{p'_i}$$

Required to show:

$$f(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_m) < f(p'_1, p'_2, \dots, p'_m)$$

Initial distribution final distribution

$$D(p \| q) \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_i p_i \log \frac{p_i}{p'_i} \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow p_1 \log \frac{p_1}{p_1 - \Delta p} + p_2 \log \frac{p_2}{p_2 + \Delta p} + 0 + \dots + 0 \geq 0 \quad (1)$$

Consider

$$f(p'_1, p'_2, \dots, p'_m) - f(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_m)$$

$$= \sum_i p'_i \log \frac{1}{p'_i} - \sum_i p_i \log \frac{1}{p_i}$$

$$= (p_1 - \Delta p) \log \frac{1}{p_1 - \Delta p} - p_1 \log \frac{1}{p_1}$$

$$+ (p_2 + \Delta p) \log \frac{1}{p_2 + \Delta p} - p_2 \log \frac{1}{p_2}$$

$$= \underbrace{p_1 \log \frac{p_1}{p_1 - \Delta p} + p_2 \log \frac{p_2}{p_2 + \Delta p}}_{\geq 0} + \underbrace{\Delta p \cdot \log \frac{p_1 - \Delta p}{p_2 + \Delta p}}_{> 0}$$

(Ineq. (1))

$$\because p_1 - \Delta p > p_2 + \Delta p$$

> 0

$$\therefore f(p'_1, p'_2, \dots, p'_m) > f(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_m)$$