

### Exercise 11.1

For a fair coin  $H(X) = -2 \times \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{1}{2} = 1$

For a fair die  $H(X) = -6 \times \frac{1}{6} \log \frac{1}{6} = 1 + \log 3$

For an unfair coin we can write  $H(X) = -p \log p - (1-p) \log (1-p)$  and for the unfair die  $H(X) = -p_1 \log p_1 - p_2 \log p_2 - p_3 \log p_3 - p_4 \log p_4 - p_5 \log p_5 - (1-p_1-p_2-p_3-p_4-p_5) \log (1-p_1-p_2-p_3-p_4-p_5)$ .

Differentiating both of these we see that for both the global maxima is when all the probabilities are equal, therefore for the unfair coin and die the entropy will decrease.

### Exercise 11.2

$I(p) = k \log p$  is a function of probability alone.

$\log p$  is smooth for  $0 < p \leq 1$

$I(pq) = k \log (pq) = k(\log p + \log q) = I(p) + I(q)$

### Exercise 11.3

$H_{bin}(p) = -p \log p - (1-p) \log (1-p)$

$$\frac{dH_{bin}}{dp} = -\frac{1}{\ln 2} - \log p + \frac{1}{\ln 2} + \log (1-p) = 0$$

$$\frac{1-p}{p} = 1$$

Therefore,  $p = \frac{1}{2}$ .

### Exercise 11.4

For a function  $f(x)$  to be concave we require  $f''(x) < 0$ .

$$\frac{d^2 H_{bin}}{dp^2} = \frac{d}{dp} (\log (1-p) - \log p) = \frac{1}{\ln 2(1-p)p} < 0$$

Hence,  $H_{bin}$  is concave.

### Exercise 11.5

$$H(p(x, y) || p(x)p(y)) = \sum_{xy} p(x, y) \log \frac{p(x, y)}{p(x)p(y)} = \sum_{xy} p(x, y) \log p(x, y) - \sum_{xy} p(x, y) \log p(x) -$$

$$\sum_{xy} p(x, y) \log p(y) = \sum_{xy} p(x, y) \log p(x, y) - \sum_x p(x) \log p(x) - \sum_y p(y) \log p(y) = H(p(x)) +$$

$$H(p(y)) - H(p(x, y))$$

$$H(p(x, y) || p(x)p(y)) \geq 0$$

Therefore,

$$H(p(x)) + H(p(y)) - H(p(x, y)) = H(X) + H(Y) - H(X, Y) \geq 0$$

$$H(X, Y) \leq H(X) + H(Y)$$

If  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent then  $p(x, y) = p(x)p(y)$ . Therefore,

$$H(X, Y) = - \sum_{xy} p(x, y) \log p(x, y) = - \sum_{xy} p(x)p(y) \log p(x)p(y) = - \sum_x p(x) \log p(x) -$$

$$\sum_y p(y) \log p(y) = H(X) + H(Y)$$

Therefore, equality hold if and only if  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent.

### Exercise 11.6

$$H(X, Y, Z) = - \sum_{xyz} p(x, y, z) \log p(x, y, z) = - \sum_{xyz} p(x, y, z) \log p(x|y, z)p(y, z) = H(Y, Z) -$$

$$\sum_{xyz} p(x, y, z) \log p(x|y, z)$$

$$H(X, Y) - H(Y) = H(X|Y) = - \sum_{xy} p(x, y) \log p(x|y)$$

Then, using  $\log x \leq (x - 1)/\ln 2$  we have,

$$H(X, Y, Z) - H(Y, Z) - H(X, Y) + H(Y) = - \sum_{xyz} p(x, y, z) \log p(x|y, z) + \sum_{xyz} p(x, y, z) \log p(x|y) =$$

$$\sum_{xyz} p(x, y, z) \log \frac{p(x|y)}{p(x|y, z)} \leq \frac{1}{\ln 2} \sum_{xyz} p(x, y, z) \left( \frac{p(x|y)}{p(x|y, z)} - 1 \right) = \frac{1}{\ln 2} \sum_{xyz} (p(x|y)p(y, z) -$$

$$p(x, y, z)) = \frac{1}{\ln 2} \left( \sum_{xy} p(x|y)p(y) - 1 \right) = \frac{1}{\ln 2} \left( \sum_{xy} p(x, y) - 1 \right) = \frac{1}{\ln 2} (1 - 1) = 0$$

Hence,

$$H(X, Y, Z) - H(Y, Z) \leq H(X, Y) - H(Y)$$

with equality when  $p(x|y, z) = p(x|y)$  which is the definition for a  $Z \rightarrow Y \rightarrow X$  Markov chain.

### Exercise 11.7

$$H(Y|X) = H(Y) - H(Y : X) = - \sum_y p(y) \log p(y) - \sum_{xy} p(x, y) \log \frac{p(x, y)}{p(x)p(y)} = - \sum_{xy} p(x, y) \log p(y) -$$

$$\sum_{xy} p(x, y) \log \frac{p(x, y)}{p(x)p(y)} = \sum_{xy} p(x, y) \log \frac{p(x, y)}{p(x)} = -H(p(x, y)||p(x)) \geq 0$$

Equality when  $p(x, y) = p(x)$ , therefore when  $Y$  is a function of  $X$ ,  $Y = f(X)$ .

### Exercise 11.8

For  $p(x, y, z)$  we have  $p(0, 0, 0) = p(0, 1, 1) = p(1, 0, 1) = p(1, 1, 0) = \frac{1}{4}$  and 0 otherwise.

Hence,

$$H(X, Y, Z) = -4 \frac{1}{4} \log \frac{1}{4} = 2$$

$$H(X, Y) = H(X, Z) = H(Y, Z) = -4 \frac{1}{4} \log \frac{1}{4} = 2$$

$$H(X) = H(Y) = H(Z) = -2 \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{1}{2} = 1$$

Therefore,

$$H(X, Y : Z) = H(X, Y) + H(Z) - H(X, Y, Z) = 1$$

$$H(X : Z) = H(Y : Z) = H(Y) + H(Z) - H(Y, Z) = 0$$

### Exercise 11.9

For  $p(x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2)$  we have  $p(0, 0, 0, 0) = p(1, 1, 1, 1) = 1/2$  and 0 otherwise. Hence,

$$H(X_1, X_2, Y_1, Y_2) = H(X_1, X_2) = H(X_1, Y_1) = H(X_2, Y_2) = H(Y_1, Y_2) = H(X_1) = H(X_2) =$$

$$H(Y_1) = H(Y_2) = -2 \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{1}{2} = 1$$

Therefore,

$$H(X_1 : Y_1) + H(X_2 : Y_2) = 2H(X_1 : Y_1) = 2(H(X_1) + H(Y_1) - H(X_1, Y_1)) = 2$$

$$H(X_1, X_2 : Y_1, Y_2) = H(X_1, X_2) + H(Y_1, Y_2) - H(X_1, X_2, Y_1, Y_2) = 1$$

### Exercise 11.10

If  $X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Z$  is a Markov chain then,

$$p(Z|Y, X) = p(Z|Y)$$

Using  $p(X|Y) = \frac{p(X,Y)}{p(Y)}$  on both sides,

$$\frac{p(Z, Y, X)}{p(Y, X)} = \frac{p(Z, Y)}{p(Y)}$$

$$\frac{p(Z, Y, X)}{p(Z, Y)} = \frac{p(Y, X)}{p(Y)}$$

$$p(X|Y, Z) = p(X|Y)$$

Therefore,  $Z \rightarrow Y \rightarrow X$  is also a Markov chain.

### Exercise 11.11

$$\rho = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S(\rho) = -1 \log 1 = 0$$

$$\rho = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 1 \text{ or } 0$$

$$S(\rho) = -1 \log 1 = 0$$

$$\rho = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{\sqrt{5}}{6}$$

$$S(\rho) = -\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{5}}{6}\right) \log \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{5}}{6}\right) - \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{5}}{6}\right) \log \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{5}}{6}\right) \approx 0.55$$

### Exercise 11.12

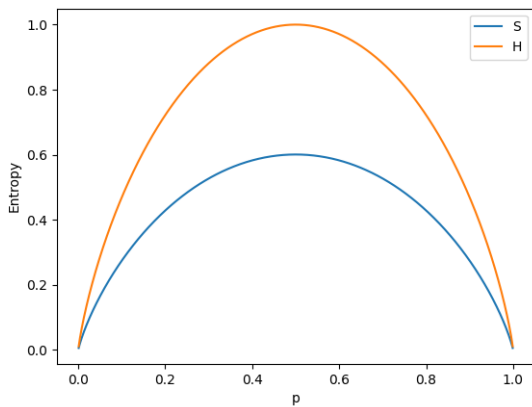
$$\rho = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1+p & 1-p \\ 1-p & 1-p \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 - 2p(1-p)}$$

$$S(\rho) = -\frac{1}{2} \left( (1 + \sqrt{1 - 2p(1-p)}) \log \frac{1}{2} (1 + \sqrt{1 - 2p(1-p)}) \right.$$

$$\left. + (1 - \sqrt{1 - 2p(1-p)}) \log \frac{1}{2} (1 - \sqrt{1 - 2p(1-p)}) \right)$$

$$H(p, 1-p) = -p \log p - (1-p) \log (1-p)$$



Therefore,  $S(\rho) \leq H(p, 1-p)$ .

### Exercise 11.13

First note that for  $\rho = \sum_i p_i |i\rangle \langle i|$ ,  $H(p_i) = -\sum_i p_i \log p_i = S(\rho)$ . Then using the joint entropy theorem for  $\rho_i = \sigma \forall i$  we have,

$$S(\rho \otimes \sigma) = S\left(\sum_i p_i \rho |i\rangle \langle i| \otimes \sigma\right) = H(p_i) + \sum_i p_i S(\sigma) = S(\rho) + S(\sigma)$$

Otherwise from the definition of the entropy for  $\rho = \sum_i p_i |i\rangle \langle i|$  and  $\sigma = \sum_j q_j |j\rangle \langle j|$  we have,

$$S(\rho \otimes \sigma) = S\left(\sum_{ij} p_i q_j |i\rangle |j\rangle \langle i| \langle j|\right) = -\sum_{ij} p_i q_j \log p_i q_j = -\sum_i p_i \log p_i - \sum_j q_j \log q_j = S(\rho) + S(\sigma)$$

### Exercise 11.14

If  $|AB\rangle$  is a pure state of the composite system then  $|A\rangle$  is a pure state if and only if there's no entanglement. Hence,  $S(A) \neq 0$  if and only if  $|AB\rangle$  is entangled. As  $|AB\rangle$  is a pure state  $S(A, B) = 0$ , and therefore  $S(B|A) = -S(A)$ . As  $S(A) \geq 0$ ,  $S(B|A) < 0$  if and only if  $|AB\rangle$  is entangled.

### Exercise 11.15

Let  $\rho = I + r \cdot \sigma$ . Then

$$\rho' = M_1 \rho M_1^\dagger + M_2 \rho M_2^\dagger = \frac{1+r_z}{2} |0\rangle \langle 0| + \frac{1-r_z}{2} |0\rangle \langle 0| = |0\rangle \langle 0|$$

Hence,

$$S(\rho') = -\log 1 = 0$$

Therefore,  $S(\rho) \geq S(\rho')$ .

### Exercise 11.16

$\rho^{AB}$  is a mixed state, hence

$$\rho^A = \sum_i \lambda_i \rho_i^A \text{ and } \rho^B = \sum_i \lambda_j \rho_i^B$$

Introduce purification  $R$  of  $AB$

$$|ABR\rangle = \sum_i \sqrt{\lambda_i} |i\rangle |i^R\rangle$$

$$\rho^{ABR} = \sum_{ij} \sqrt{\lambda_i \lambda_j} |i\rangle \langle j| \otimes |i^R\rangle \langle j^R|$$

$$\rho^R = \sum_i \lambda_i |i\rangle \langle i|$$

Trace over  $B$ ,

$$\rho^{AR} = \sum_{ij} \sqrt{\lambda_i \lambda_j} \text{tr}_B(|i\rangle \langle j|) \otimes |i^R\rangle \langle j^R|$$

Equality condition is,  $\rho^{AR} = \rho^A \otimes \rho^R$ , hence

$$\sum_{ij} \sqrt{\lambda_i \lambda_j} \text{tr}_B(|i\rangle \langle j|) \otimes |i^R\rangle \langle j^R| = \sum_{ij} \lambda_i \lambda_j \rho_i^A \otimes |j^R\rangle \langle j^R|$$

Multiplying on both sides by  $\langle k|$  and  $|k\rangle$  we get,

$$\sum_{ij} \sqrt{\lambda_i \lambda_j} \text{tr}_B(|i\rangle \langle j|) \delta_{ij} = \sum_{ij} \lambda_i \lambda_j \rho_i^A \delta_{jk}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_j \lambda_j \rho_i^A &= \sum_i \lambda_i \lambda_k \rho_i^A \\
\sum_{ij} \lambda_i \lambda_j \rho_j^A &= \sum_{ij} \lambda_i \lambda_j \lambda_k \rho_i^A \\
\sum_{ij} \lambda_i \lambda_j (\rho_i^A - \lambda_k \rho_i^A) &= 0
\end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $\rho_i^A$  have a common eigenbasis.

### Exercise 11.17

Consider  $\rho^{AB} = \frac{1}{2}(|10\rangle\langle 10| + |11\rangle\langle 11|)$ . Then,

$$\rho^A = |1\rangle\langle 1|$$

$$\rho^B = \frac{1}{2}(|0\rangle\langle 0| + |1\rangle\langle 1|)$$

Therefore,  $S(A, B) = S(B) = 1$  and  $S(A) = 0$ , i.e  $S(A, B) = S(B) - S(A)$ .

### Exercise 11.18

The equality condition is the same as for subadditivity inequality, i.e.  $\rho^{AB} = \rho^A \otimes \rho^B$ . Hence we have,

$$\sum_i p_i \rho_i \otimes |i\rangle\langle i| = \sum_{ij} p_i p_j \rho_i \otimes |j\rangle\langle j|$$

Multiplying on both sides by  $\langle k|$  and  $|k\rangle$  we get,

$$\sum_i p_i \rho_i \delta_{ik} = \sum_{ij} p_i p_j \rho_i \delta_{jk}$$

$$p_k \rho_k = \sum_i p_i p_k \rho_i$$

$$\rho_k = \sum_i p_i \rho_i$$

$$\sum_i p_i (\rho_k - \rho_i) = 0$$

Hence, we have equality if and only if  $\rho_k = \rho_i \forall i$ . However, as this is true  $\forall k$  we conclude that we have equality if and only if all the  $\rho_i$  are equal.

### Exercise 11.19

Consider the case of  $A$  being a  $2 \times 2$  matrix. Let  $p_i = \frac{1}{4}$ ,  $U_i = I, X, Y, Z$  and  $A = c_1 I + c_2 X + c_3 Y + c_4 Z$ . Hence,  $\text{tr}(A) = 2c_1$  as  $X, Y, Z$  are traceless. Then,

$$\frac{1}{4} \sum_i U_i A U_i^\dagger = \frac{1}{4} (4c_1 I) = 2\text{tr}(A) \frac{I}{4} = \text{tr}(A) \frac{I}{2}$$

We can expand this to any matrix  $d \times d$  size matrix by choosing  $U_i$  to be the Sylvester's generalized Pauli matrices with  $p_i = \frac{1}{d^2}$ .

$\text{tr}(\rho) = 1$ , hence

$$S\left(\frac{I}{d}\right) = S(\text{tr}(\rho) \frac{I}{d}) = S\left(\sum_i p_i U_i \rho U_i^\dagger\right) \geq \sum_i p_i S(U_i \rho U_i^\dagger) = \sum_i p_i S(\rho) = S(\rho)$$

As this is true for any  $\rho$ , the completely mixed state is the unique state of maximal entropy.

### Exercise 11.20

We consider a unitary matrix  $U = I - 2P$ . Then  $P = \frac{1}{2}(I - U)$  and  $Q = \frac{1}{2}(I + U)$ . We get,  $P\rho P + Q\rho Q = \frac{1}{4}(I - U)\rho(I - U) + \frac{1}{4}(I + U)\rho(I + U) = \frac{1}{2}\rho + \frac{1}{2}U\rho U$

Hence,  $p = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $U_1 = I$  and  $U_2 = U$ .

We can generalize this to  $n$  projectors  $P_i$ , by taking  $U = 1 - 2P_i$  this leads to the equality,

$$\sum_i U_i \rho U_i^\dagger = \sum_i (\rho - 2P_i \rho - 2\rho P_i + 4P_i \rho P_i) = (n-4)\rho + 4 \sum_i P_i \rho P_i$$

Hence,

$$\rho' = \sum_i P_i \rho P_i = \frac{1}{4} \sum_i U_i \rho U_i^\dagger + \frac{n-4}{4} \rho$$

Therefore using concavity,

$$S(\rho') = S\left(\frac{1}{4} \sum_i U_i \rho U_i^\dagger + \frac{n-4}{4} \rho\right) \geq \frac{1}{4} \sum_i S(U_i \rho U_i^\dagger) + \frac{n-4}{4} S(\rho) = \frac{1}{4} \sum_i S(\rho) + \frac{n-4}{4} S(\rho) = S(\rho)$$

### Exercise 11.21

Consider density matrices  $\rho = \sum_i p_i |i\rangle \langle i|$  and  $\sigma = \sum_i q_i |i\rangle \langle i|$ . As  $|i\rangle \langle i|$  are pure states we

have,

$$H(\lambda p_i + (1-\lambda)q_i) = S(\lambda \rho + (1-\lambda)\sigma) \geq \lambda S(\rho) + (1-\lambda)S(\sigma) = \lambda H(p_i) + (1-\lambda)H(q_i)$$

### Exercise 11.22

For concavity  $f(\lambda x + (1-\lambda)y) \geq \lambda f(x) + (1-\lambda)f(y) \forall \lambda \in [0, 1], p, q$ .

Let  $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $x = p - h$  and  $y = p + h$ . Then

$$f(p) \geq \frac{1}{2}(f(p-h) + f(p+h))$$

$$\frac{1}{h}(f(p-h) - 2f(p) + f(p+h)) \leq 0$$

Taking the limit as  $h$  goes to zero gives,

$$f''(p) \leq 0$$

$$\text{We can write } \rho = \sum_i p_i \rho_i \text{ and } \sigma = \sum_i q_i \sigma_i \quad f''(p) = - \sum_i \frac{(p_i - q_i)^2}{p_i p + (1-p)q_i} \leq 0$$

### Exercise 11.23

Fix  $B$ . Then,

$$f(\lambda A_1 + (1-\lambda)A_2, \lambda B_1 + (1-\lambda)B_2) = q(\lambda A_1 + (1-\lambda)A_2) \geq \lambda f(A_1, B_1) + (1-\lambda)f(A_2, B_2) = \lambda q(A_1) + (1-\lambda)q(A_2)$$

Consider  $f(x, y) = y \log x$ , both  $y$  and  $\log x$  are concave. If  $f(x, y)$  is concave then the function  $f(x, x)$  should also be concave.

$f(x, x) = x \log x$ , however  $f'' = \frac{1}{x} \geq 0$ , hence it's not concave. Therefore we have a contradiction and  $f(x, y)$  is not jointly concave.

### Exercise 11.24

Let  $R$  be the purification for the system  $ABC$ . Then from strong subadditivity,

$$S(R, B, C) + S(B) \leq S(R, B) + S(B, C),$$

however  $S(R, B, C) = S(A)$  and  $S(R, B) = S(A, C)$ , therefore

$$S(A) + S(B) \leq S(A, C) + S(B, C)$$

### Exercise 11.25

Consider the state  $\lambda\rho \otimes |0\rangle\langle 0| + (1-\lambda)\sigma \otimes |1\rangle\langle 1|$ , where  $\rho$  and  $\sigma$  are density matrices of the system  $AB$  and the rest of system  $C$ . Then by the strong subadditivity inequality, equation (11.57), exercise 11.13 and using  $S(A|B) = S(A, B) - S(B)$  we get,

$$S(A|B)_{\lambda\rho + (1-\lambda)\sigma} \geq S(A, B, C) - S(B, C) = S(A, B, C) - S(A) = H(\lambda) + \lambda S(\rho \otimes |0\rangle\langle 0|) + (1-\lambda)S(\sigma \otimes |1\rangle\langle 1|) - H(\lambda) - \lambda S(\text{tr}_B(\rho)) - (1-\lambda)S(\text{tr}_B(\sigma)) = \lambda(S(\rho) - S(\text{tr}_B(\rho))) + (1-\lambda)(S(\sigma) - S(\text{tr}_B(\sigma))) = \lambda S(A|B)_\rho + (1-\lambda)S(A|B)_\sigma$$

As this is true for all  $\lambda$ ,  $\rho$  and  $\sigma$ ,  $S(A|B)$  is concave.

### Exercise 11.26

Using,  $S(B) + S(C) \leq S(A, B) + S(A, C)$ ,

$$S(A : B) + S(A : C) = S(A) + S(B) - S(A, B) + S(A) + S(C) - S(A, C) \leq 2S(A) + S(B) + S(C) - S(B) - S(C) = 2S(A)$$

Consider  $|AB\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle)$ ,

$$S(A, B) = 0, S(A) = S(B) = 1. \text{ Hence, } S(A : B) = 2 > S(A).$$