



# EE140 Introduction to Communication Systems Lecture 9

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- Syllabus (second half)



**Principles of digital communication**  
 Robert G. Gallager  
 Cambridge : Cambridge University Press 2008  
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**Principles of communication : systems, modulation, and noise**  
 Rodger E. Ziemer William H Tranter  
 Hoboken, New Jersey : John Wiley & Sons, Inc. 2014  
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Content	Hours	Week
Introduction to digital communication sys ( <b>Chapter 1</b> )	1	9
Information Theory and Source Coding ( <b>Chapter 2</b> , <b>Chapter 12</b> )	5	9&10
Sampling and Quantization ( <b>Chapter 3</b> )	6	10&11
Vector space and signal space ( <b>Chapter 5</b> , <b>Chapter 11</b> )	6	12&13
Modulation and Demodulation ( <b>Chapter 6</b> , <b>Chapter 10</b> )	6	13&14
Detection and Channel Coding ( <b>Chapter 8</b> , <b>Chapter 9,11,12</b> )	6	15&16
Wireless Communication ( <b>Chapter 9</b> )	2	16

# What is Digital Communications?

*Use a digital sequence as an interface between the source and the channel*

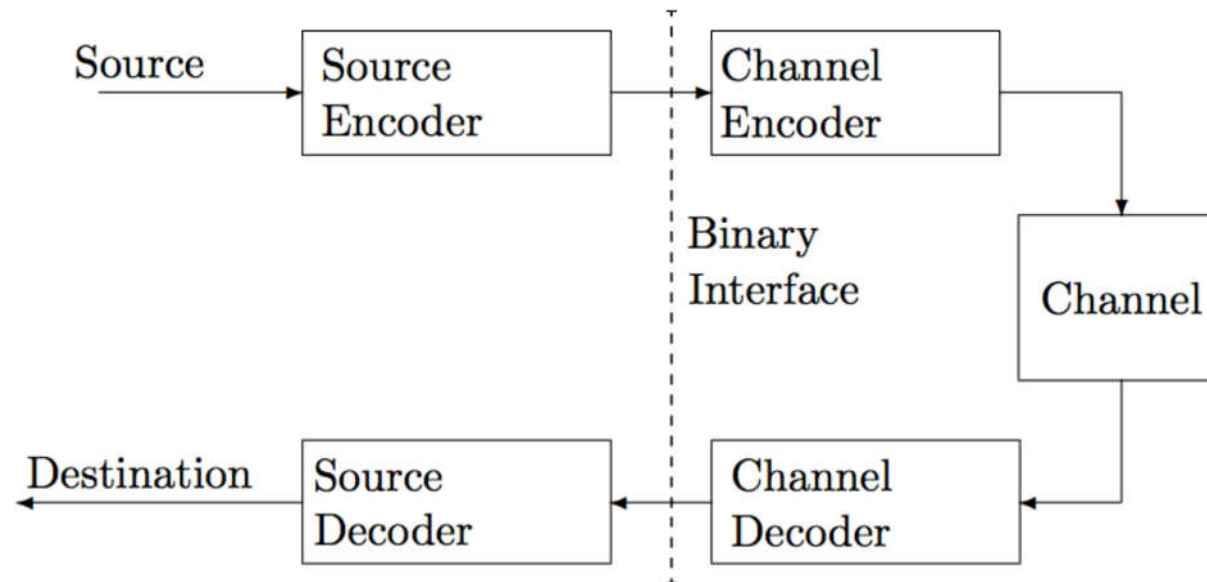


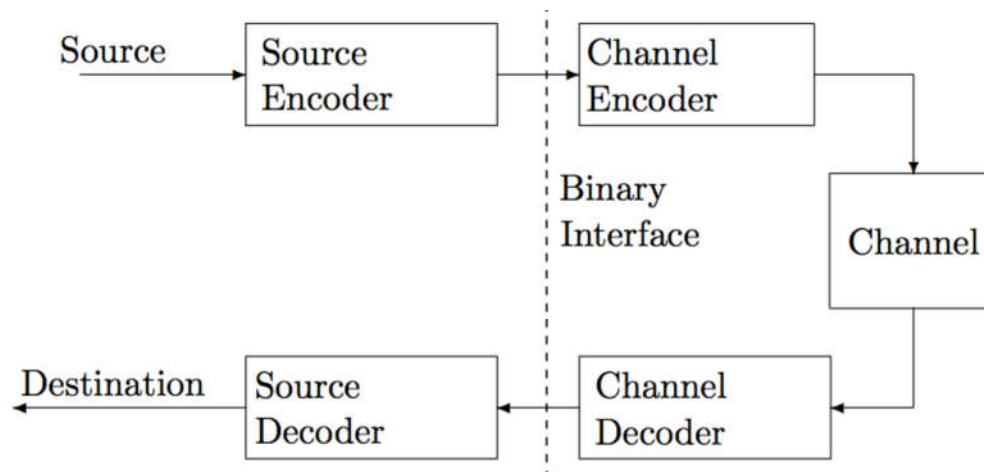
Figure: Separation of source and channel coding [Gallagar'Book]

# Why need Digital Communications?

- Digital hardware has become so cheap, reliable and miniaturized.
- Simplify implementation and understanding
- Security
- Doing this won't decrease the rate performance



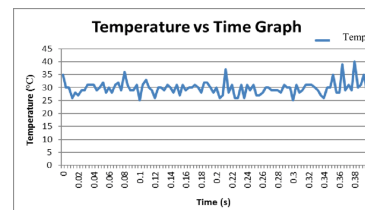
# Digital Communication System



- Source
- Source Encoder  $\leftrightarrow$  Source Decoder
- Channel Encoder  $\leftrightarrow$  Channel Decoder
- Binary/Digital interface
- Channel

# Digital Communication System

- Part 1: Source
- Important Classes of Sources:
  - Analog sources. E.g., voice, music, video and images etc. (We restrict to wave form sources, i.e. voice and music)
  - Discrete sources: A sequence of symbols from a known discrete alphabet. E.g. English letters, Chinese characters, binary digits etc.



# Digital Communication System

- Part 2: Source Encoder

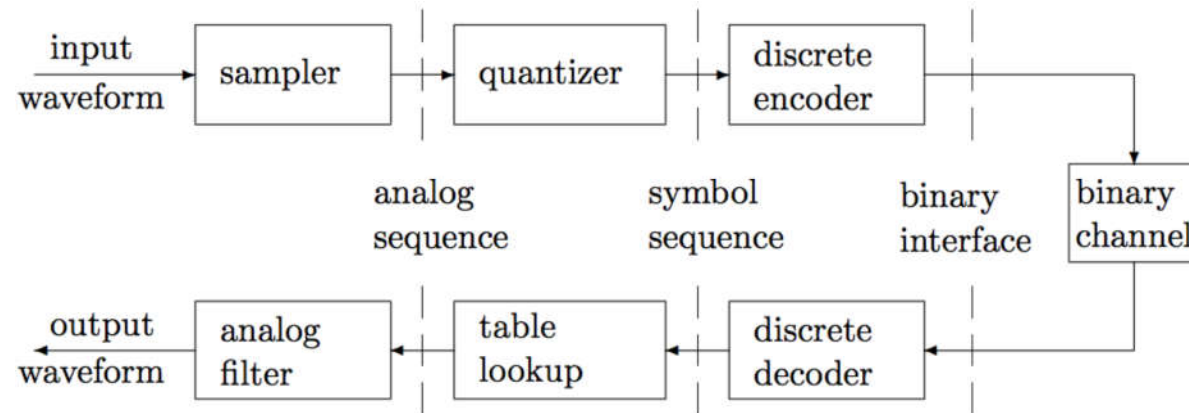


Figure: Layering of Source coding [Gallagar' Book]

- Converting the input to a sequence of bits
  - Discrete source: fixed length codes/variable-length codes
  - Analog source:
    - Sampling: Analog signal to sequence (Chapter 4)
    - Quantizer: Analog sequence into symbols (Chapter 3)
    - Encoder: Symbols to bits (Chapter 2)

# Digital Communication System

- Part 3: Channel Encoder
  - Mapping the binary sequence into a channel waveform

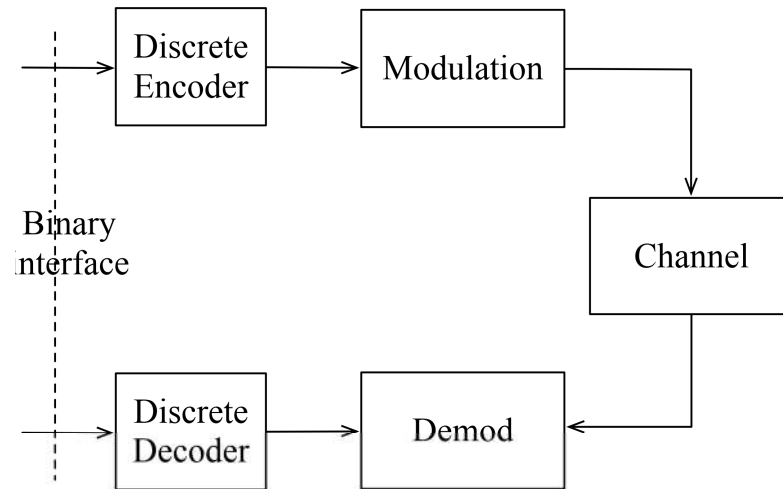


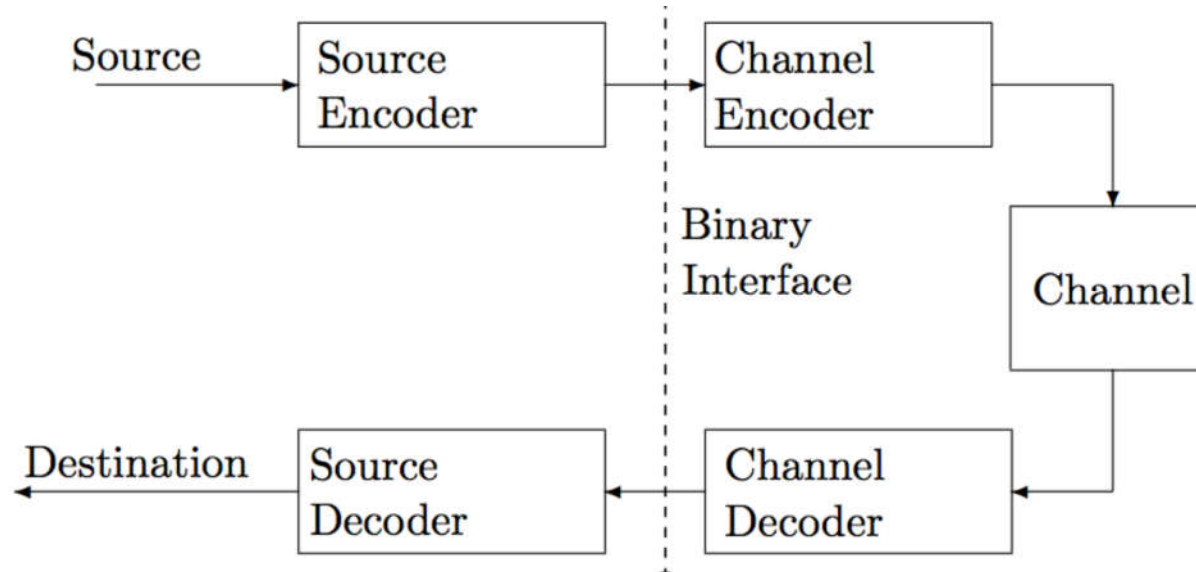
Figure: Layering of channel coding

- Discrete Enc (Chapter 8):
  - Add redundancy to improve reliability of communication
- Modulation (Chapter 6):
  - Maps the binary sequence to a baseband waveform
  - Maps the baseband to bandpass waveform



# Digital Communication System

- Part 4: Digital/Binary Interface



- Complicating factors:
  - Unequal rates: the rate from source encoder doesn't match channel encoder (Solution: Buffer, queuing)
  - Errors: channel decoder makes errors which causes errors in source decoder (Solution: Good channel codes)
  - Networks: encoded source outputs are for various networks (Solution: Network protocol design)

# Digital Communication System

- Part 4: Digital/Binary Interface

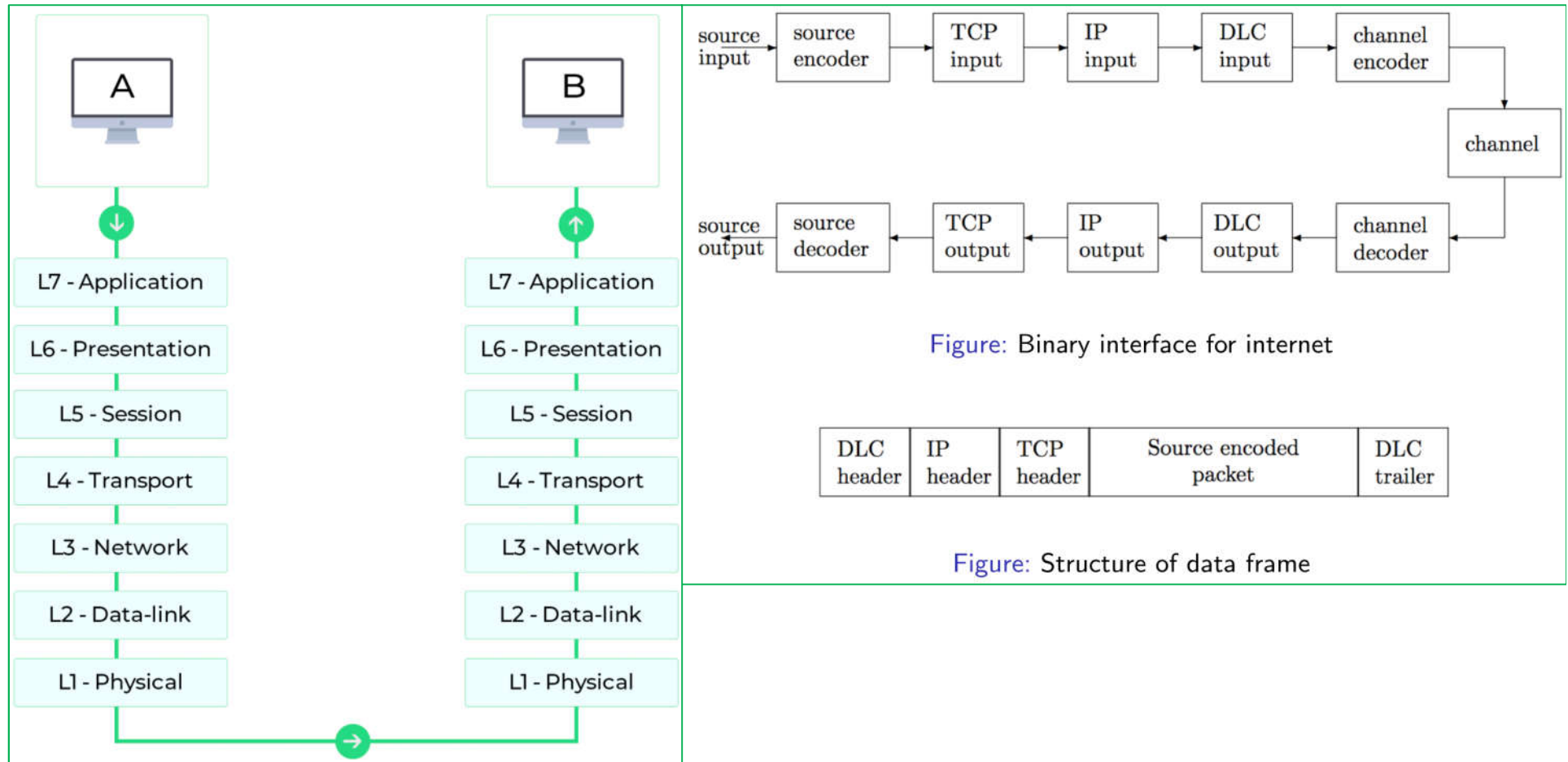


Figure: Binary interface for internet

Figure: Structure of data frame

# Digital Communication System

- Part 5: Channel
- Properties on channel:
  - Channel is the part between the transmitter and receiver
  - Channel is given (not under control of designer)
  - Given the inputs, and outputs, the channel is a description of how the input affect the output. The description is usually probabilistic.
- Types of channel:
  - Memoryless (main focus) v.s. Memory
  - Discrete v.s. Continuous

# Digital Communication System

- Part 5: Channel
- Discrete memoryless channel (DMC)

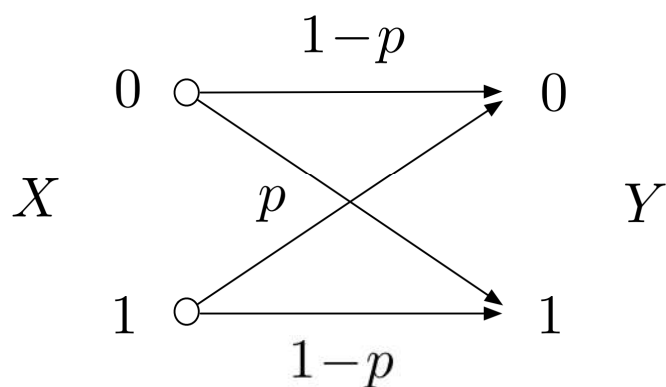


Figure: Binary symmetry channel

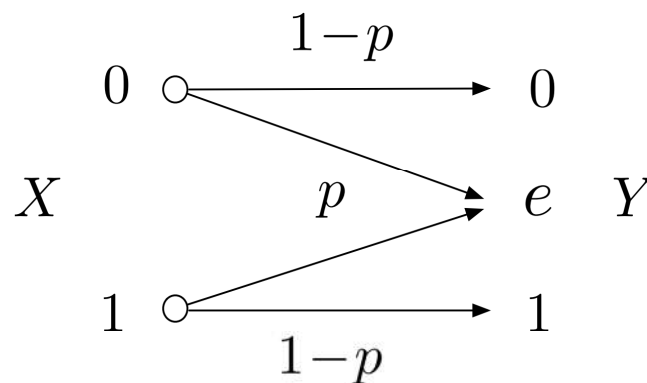


Figure: Binary erasure channel

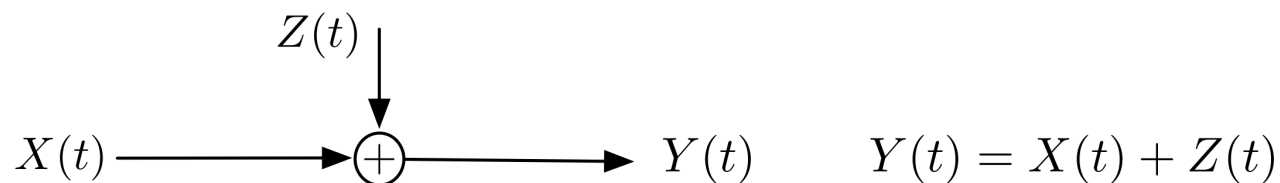
# Digital Communication System

- Part 5: Channel

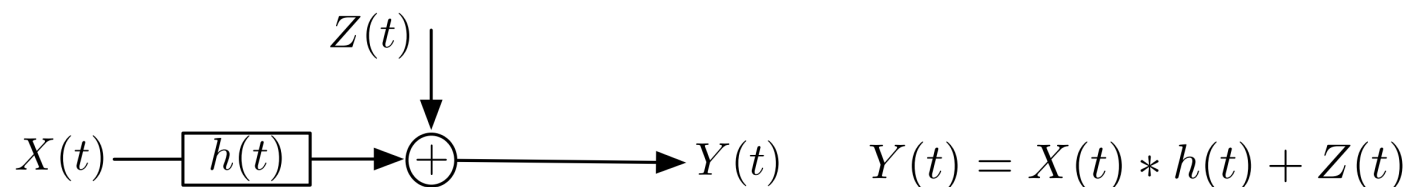
- Continuous Channel

Given Gaussian noise  $Z(t)$ :

- Additive white Gaussian noise (AWGN) channel:



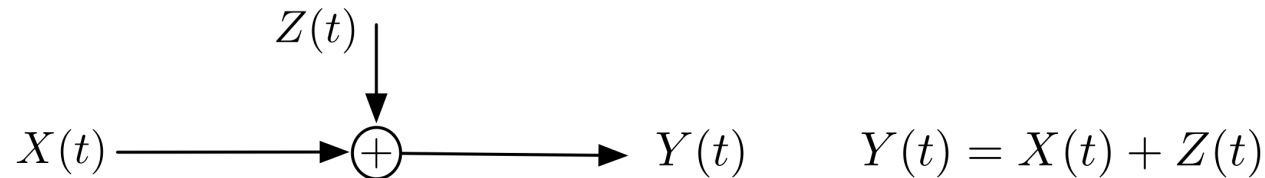
- Linear Gaussian channel (with linear filter  $h(t)$ ):



# Digital Communication System

- Part 5: Channel

- AWGN Channel



- For the AWGN channel with bandwidth  $W$ , the capacity (in bps) is

$$C = W \log_2 \left( 1 + \frac{P}{N_0 W} \right)$$

- This is the ultimate, but it is essential achievable in practice
- Wireless channels have added complications (Chapter 9)
  - Multiple physical paths from input to output
  - Random fluctuation in the strength of multipath.

# Outline

- Information Theory
- Coding for Discrete Sources
- Sampling
- Quantization
- Vector spaces and signal space
- Channel, Modulation and Demodulation
- Detection, coding and decoding

# Information Theory

- Reference books
- "A Mathematical Theory of Communication" by C. E. Shannon
- "Elements of Information Theory" by T. Cover (Chapt. 2&8)
- "Principle of Communications" by R. Ziemer
- "Information Theory and Network Coding" by R. Yeung



# Q1: How to measure the quantity of information?

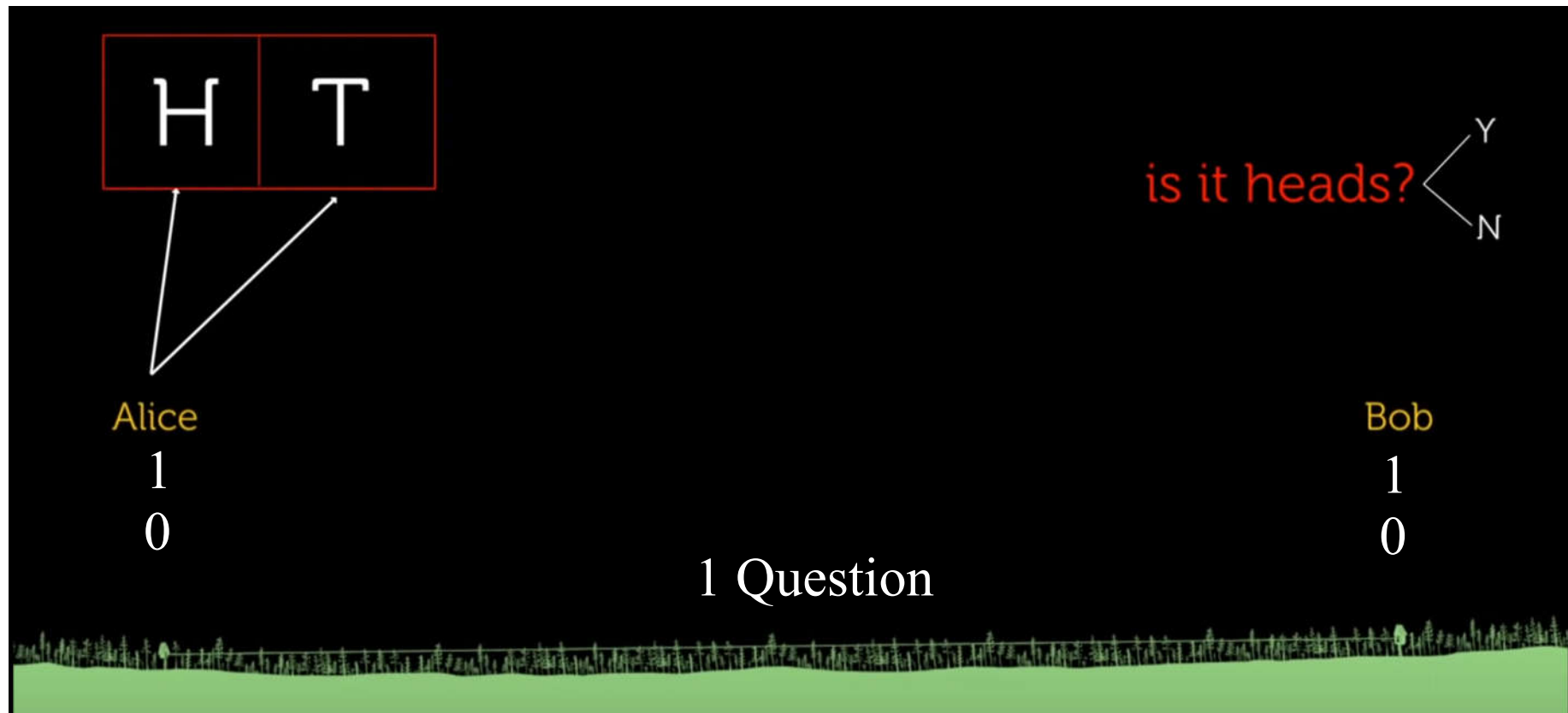
## **Example** (*Football Games*):

China sucks at playing soccer, while France and Brazil both are very good at it. Which game result below contains more uncertainty?

- China V.S. Brazil
- France V.S. Brazil

The more uncertain an event is, the more information it contains.
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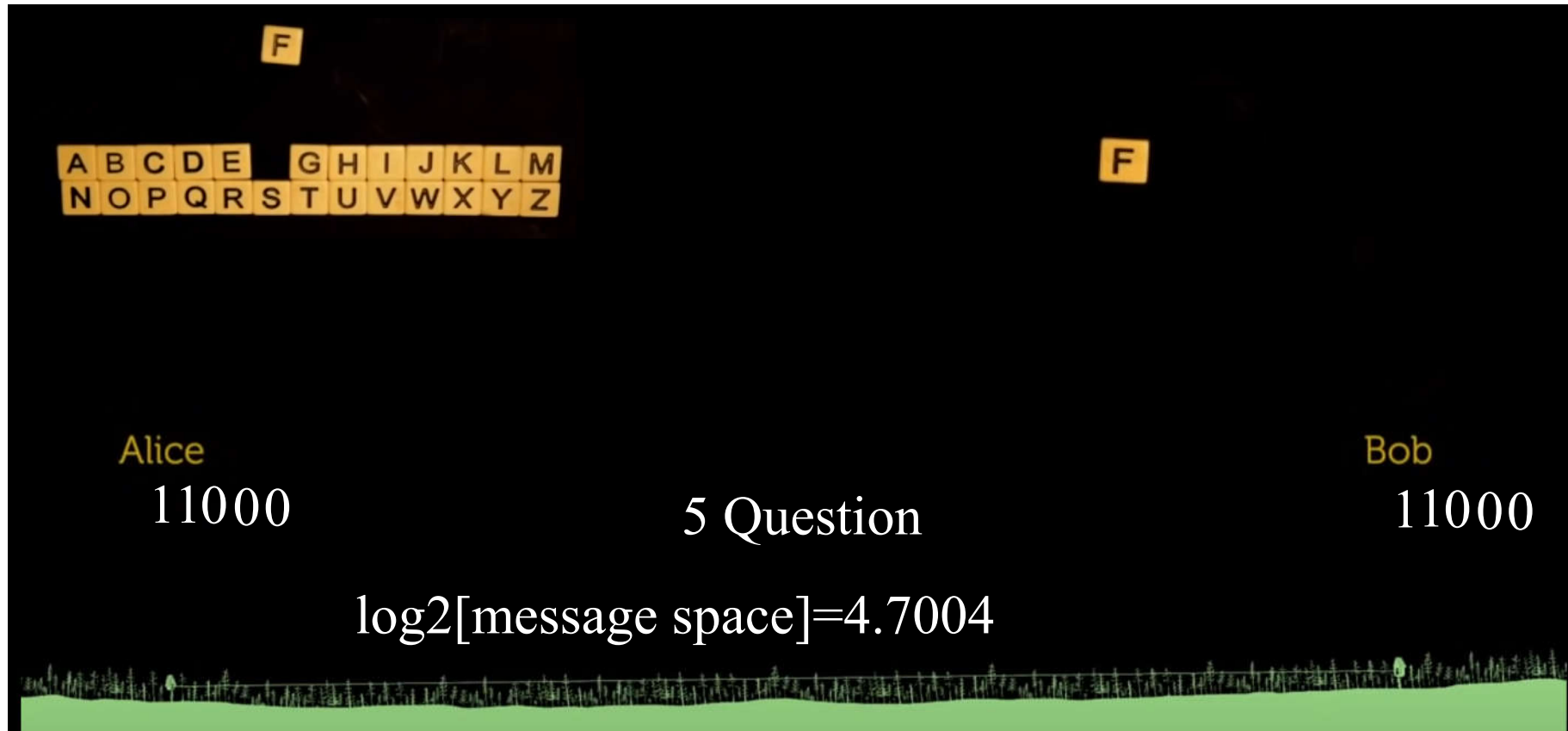
## Q1: How to measure the quantity of information?



For 10 flips, what's the minimum number of questions? →  
10 questions (10 binary digit to send the message)

Q1: How to measure the quantity of information?

$$2^{\#Q} = 26 \Rightarrow \#Q$$



For 6 letters, what's the minimum number of questions?  $\rightarrow$   
 $6 * 4.7 = 28.2$  questions (28.2 binary digit to send the message)

Q1: How to measure the quantity of information?

The image shows two machines, Machine 1 and Machine 2, each with a sequence of letter tiles and a probability distribution. Machine 1 has tiles spelling 'DDABBC' and a uniform distribution where each letter has a probability of 0.25. Machine 2 has tiles spelling 'DACADA' and a distribution where 'A' has a probability of 0.50, 'D' has 0.25, and 'C' has 0.125.

**Machine 1**

DDABBC

$P(A) = 0.25$   
 $P(B) = 0.25$   
 $P(C) = 0.25$   
 $P(D) = 0.25$

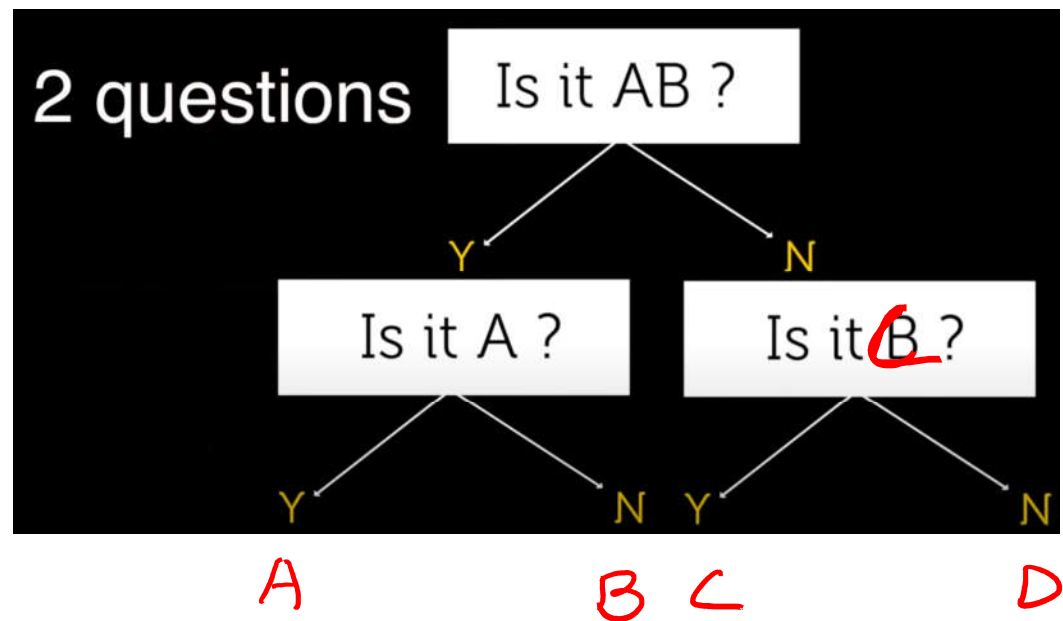
**Machine 2**

DACADA

$P(A) = 0.50$   
 $P(B) = 0.125$   
 $P(C) = 0.125$   
 $P(D) = 0.25$

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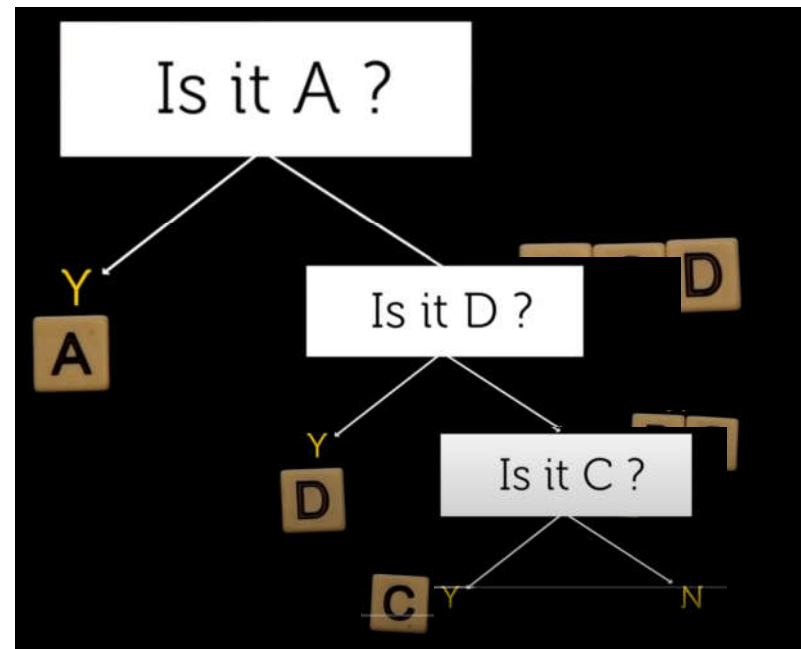
Machine 1:



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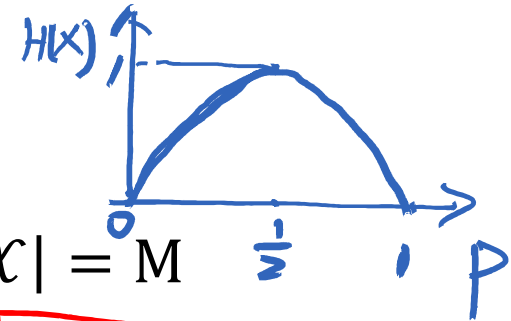
Machine 2:

A	B	C	D
$P(A) = 0.50$	$P(B) = 0.125$	$P(C) = 0.125$	$P(D) = 0.25$



On average, how many questions to determine the symbol of Machine 2?  $\rightarrow 0.5 \cdot 1 + 0.25 \cdot 2 + 0.125 \cdot 3 + 0.125 \cdot 3 = 1.75$

# Entropy

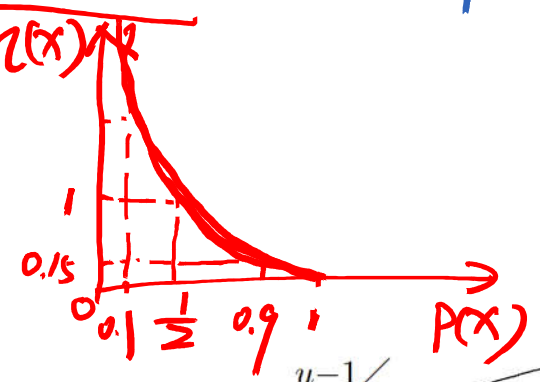


- Assume a discrete r.v.  $X \in \mathcal{X}$ , and  $|\mathcal{X}| = M$

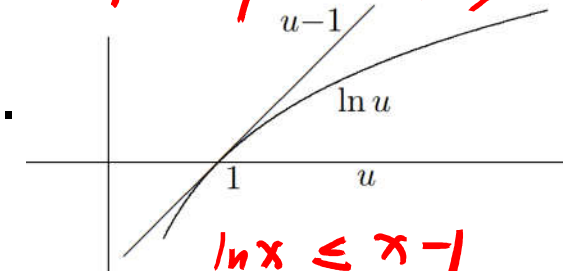
$$H(X) = \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} p(x) \log_2 \left( \frac{1}{p(x)} \right)$$

$h(X=x)$

$h(x)$



- $H(X) = E_{p(x)} \left[ \log_2 \left( \frac{1}{p(x)} \right) \right]$
- $H(X) \geq 0$ . Equality holds if  $X$  is deterministic.
- $\log_2$ : bits;  $\log_e$ : nats.
- $H(X) \leq \log_2 M$ . Equality holds if  $X$  is equiprobable.



$$\ln x \leq x - 1$$

$$\frac{\log_2 x}{\log_2 e} \leq x - 1$$

Proof:  $H(X) - \log M = \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} p(x) \log_2 \left( \frac{1}{p(x)M} \right)$

$$\leq \log e \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} p(x) \left( \frac{1}{p(x)M} - 1 \right) = 0$$

$$\log x \leq \log e (x - 1)$$

$$\frac{1}{p(x)M} = 1$$

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{M}$$

# Entropy

- Example

$$X = \begin{cases} a & \text{with probability } \frac{1}{2}, \\ b & \text{with probability } \frac{1}{4}, \\ c & \text{with probability } \frac{1}{8}, \\ d & \text{with probability } \frac{1}{8}. \end{cases}$$

The entropy of  $X$  is

$$H(X) = -\frac{1}{2} \log \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} \log \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{8} \log \frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{8} \log \frac{1}{8} = \frac{7}{4} \text{ bits.}$$

1.75 bits



## Joint Entropy and Conditional Entropy

- **Joint Entropy:** Assume  $(X, Y) \sim p(x, y)$ , the joint entropy  $H(X, Y)$  is defined as

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

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

- If  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent, we have  $H(X, Y) = H(X) + H(Y)$ .
- **Question:** How to measure the quantity of information on  $X$ , when we already knew  $Y$ ?
- **Conditional Entropy:**

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

## Joint Entropy and Conditional Entropy

- Chain rule:  $= H(X) + H(Y|X)$

$$H(X, Y) = H(Y) + H(X|Y)$$

- Proof:
- $H(X, Y) = - \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}, y \in \mathcal{Y}} p(x, y) \log p(x, y)$
- $= - \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}, y \in \mathcal{Y}} p(x, y) \log (p(x|y)p(y))$
- $= - \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}, y \in \mathcal{Y}} p(x, y) \log (p(x|y)) - \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}, y \in \mathcal{Y}} p(x, y) \log p(y)$
- $= - \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}, y \in \mathcal{Y}} p(x, y) \log (p(x|y)) - \sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} p(y) \log p(y)$
- $= \underline{H(X|Y)} + \underline{H(Y)}$

# Mutual Information

- How to measure the dependence between  $X$  and  $Y$ ?
- Mutual Information:** Assume  $(X, Y) \sim p(x, y)$ , and  $X \sim p(x)$ ,  $Y \sim p(y)$ . The mutual information  $I(X; Y)$  is defined as

$$\underline{I(X; Y)} = \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}, y \in \mathcal{Y}} p(x, y) \log \left( \frac{p(x, y)}{p(x)p(y)} \right) \quad E \left[ \log \left( \frac{p(y|x)}{p(y)} \right) \right]$$

- $I(X; Y) = I(Y; X)$

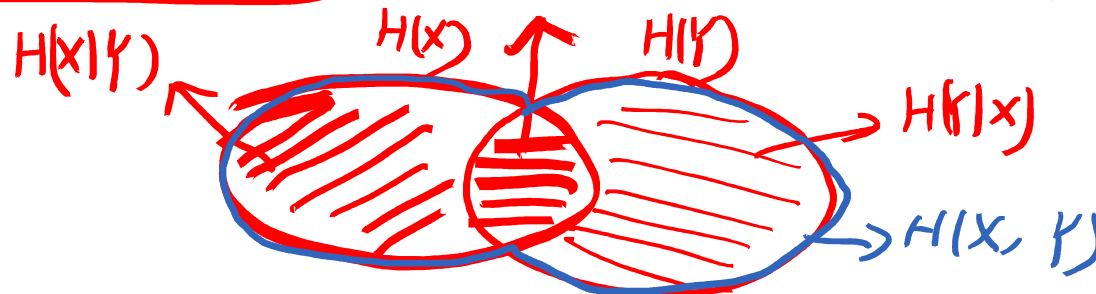
- $I(X; Y) = \underline{H(X)} - \underline{H(X|Y)} = \underline{H(Y)} - \underline{H(Y|X)}$

- $I(X; Y) = \underline{H(X) + H(Y) - H(X, Y)}$

- $I(X; X) = H(X)$

$$E \left[ \log \left( \frac{p(x|y)}{p(x)} \right) \right] = E \log p(x|y) - E \log p(x)$$

$$I(X; Y) = -H(X|Y) + H(X)$$



# Mutual Information

- **Mutual Information and entropy**

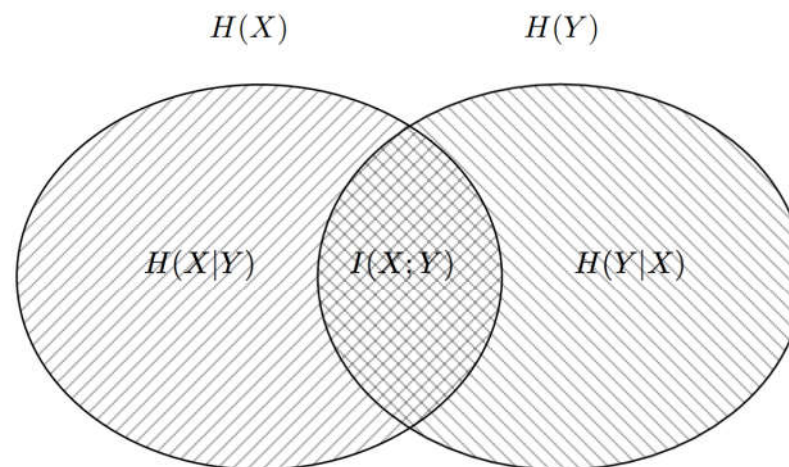


Figure: Entropy and mutual information

- If  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent  $\Rightarrow I(X; Y) = 0$

## Differential Entropy and Mutual Information

- Assume a continuous r.v.  $X$  with pdf  $f(x)$ . The **differential entropy**  $h(X)$  is defined as

$$h(X) = - \int f(x) \log f(x) dx$$

$$E[\log \frac{1}{f(x)}]$$

- $h(X) = E[-\log(f(X))]$
- $h(X)$  could be negative or infinite;
- Mutual Information**  $I(X;Y)$  with  $f(x,y)$  is defined as

$$I(X;Y) = \int f(x,y) \log \frac{f(x,y)}{f(x)f(y)} dx dy$$

- $I(X;Y) = h(X) - h(X|Y)$

# Differential Entropy and Mutual Information

- Example
- Uniform Distribution

Given a RV  $X$ , with  $a \leq X \leq b$ . Its PDF follows

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{b-a}$$

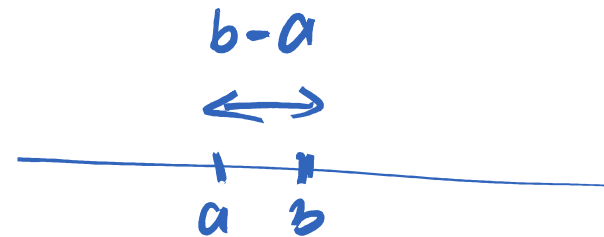
And,

$$E(X) = \frac{a+b}{2}, \quad \text{Var}(X) = \frac{(a-b)^2}{12}$$

Check:  $h(X)$

# Differential Entropy and Mutual Information

- Example
- Uniform Distribution
- Check:
- $h(X) = \int_a^b \underbrace{-\frac{1}{b-a} \log \frac{1}{b-a}}_{\text{blue underline}} dx = \underbrace{\log(b-a)}_{\text{blue underline}}$
- When  $b-a < 1$ , we have  $h(X) < 0$ .



# Differential Entropy and Mutual Information

- Example
- Gaussian Distribution

Given a RV  $X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , its PDF follows

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

And,

$$E(X) = \mu, \quad \text{Var}(X) = \sigma^2$$

- Check:  $h(X)$

$$= \int -f_X(x) \left( \ln \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \right) - \frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2} \right) dx$$

$$= \ln(\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma) + \frac{1}{2} \ln e = \ln(\sqrt{e} \sqrt{2\pi}\sigma)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \ln 2\pi e \sigma^2 \text{ Nats}$$

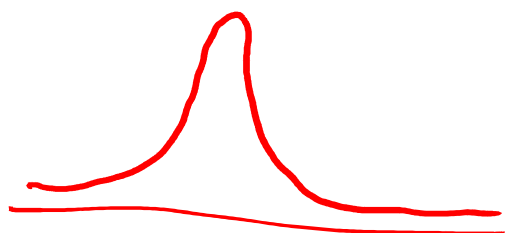


# Differential Entropy and Mutual Information

- Example
- Gaussian Distribution
- Check:  $h(X)$

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

Normal distribution:



$$h(x) = - \int f(x) \ln f(x) dx$$

$\log_2 f(x) = \log_2 e \ln f(x)$

$$= - \int f(x) \left[ -\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2} - \ln \sqrt{2\pi}\sigma^2 \right] dx$$

$$= \frac{EX^2}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{1}{2} \ln 2\pi\sigma^2$$

$$\log_2 e = \frac{1}{2} \ln 2\pi e \sigma^2 \text{ nats}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \log 2\pi e \sigma^2 \text{ bits}$$

Compare:  $H_b(X) = \log_b a H_a(X)$

## Differential Entropy and Mutual Information

$X \in \mathbb{R}^n$

- $\max_{E(\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}^T)=\mathbf{K}} h(X) = \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi e)^n |\mathbf{K}|$ , with equality iff  $\mathbf{X} \sim N(0, \mathbf{K})$ .
- P254 of T. Cover
- Gaussian Distribution maximizes the entropy over all distributions with the same variance.



Thanks for your kind attention!

Questions?