



Mutual Information



Mutual Information

Mutual information is a measure of the mutual dependence of 2 variables.

In other words, the mutual information quantifies the "amount of information" gained about one variable through observing the other variable.

Measures linear and non-linear associations.



Mutual Information

$$I(X; Y) = \sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} p_{(X,Y)}(x, y) \log \left(\frac{p_{(X,Y)}(x, y)}{p_X(x) p_Y(y)} \right)$$

- I is the mutual information
- $p(X,Y)$ is the probability of X and Y occurring together
- $p(X)$ is the probability of X
- $p(Y)$ is the probability of Y

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- If X and Y are independent $\rightarrow p(X,Y) = p(X)p(Y)$ and then MI = 0
- If X is deterministic of Y \rightarrow MI tends to infinity.

Mutual Information in ML

$p(X)$ is the probability of X

$$p(\text{female}) = 4 / 8 = 0.5$$

$$p(\text{male}) = 4 / 8 = 0.5$$

Gender	Survived
Female	Yes
Female	No
Female	Yes
Female	Yes
Male	Yes
Male	No
Male	No
Male	No

Mutual Information in ML

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$$p(\text{female}) = 4 / 8 = 0.5$$

$$p(\text{male}) = 4 / 8 = 0.5$$

Gender	Survived
Female	Yes
Female	No
Female	Yes
Female	Yes
Male	Yes
Male	No
Male	No
Male	No

Mutual Information in ML

$p(Y)$ is the probability of Y

$p(\text{survived}) = 4 / 8 = 0.5$

$p(\text{died}) = 4 / 8 = 0.5$

Gender	Survived
Female	Yes
Female	No
Female	Yes
Female	Yes
Male	Yes
Male	No
Male	No
Male	No

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$p(Y)$ is the probability of Y

$$p(\text{survived}) = 4 / 8 = 0.5$$

$$p(\text{died}) = 4 / 8 = 0.5$$

Gender	Survived
Female	Yes
Female	No
Female	Yes
Female	Yes
Male	Yes
Male	No
Male	No
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Mutual Information in ML

$p(X,Y)$ the joint probability

$p(\text{female and survived}) = 3 / 8 = 0.375$

$p(\text{female and died}) = 1 / 8 = 0.125$

$p(\text{male and survived}) = 1 / 8 = 0.125$

$p(\text{male and died}) = 3 / 8 = 0.375$

Gender	Survived
Female	Yes
Female	No
Female	Yes
Female	Yes
Male	Yes
Male	No
Male	No
Male	No

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$p(X,Y)$ the joint probability

$$p(\text{female and survived}) = 3 / 8 = 0.375$$

$$p(\text{female and died}) = 1 / 8 = 0.125$$

$$p(\text{male and survived}) = 1 / 8 = 0.125$$

$$p(\text{male and died}) = 3 / 8 = 0.375$$

Gender	Survived
Female	Yes
Female	No
Female	Yes
Female	Yes
Male	Yes
Male	No
Male	No
Male	No

Mutual Information in ML

$p(X,Y)$ the joint probability

$p(\text{female and survived}) = 3 / 8 = 0.375$

$p(\text{female and died}) = 1 / 8 = 0.152$

$p(\text{male and survived}) = 1 / 8 = 0.125$

$p(\text{male and died}) = 3 / 8 = 0.375$

Gender	Survived
Female	Yes
Female	No
Female	Yes
Female	Yes
Male	Yes
Male	No
Male	No
Male	No

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$$p(\text{female, survived}) \times \log\left(\frac{p(\text{female, survived})}{p(\text{female}) \times p(\text{survived})}\right) +$$

$$p(\text{female, died}) \times \log\left(\frac{p(\text{female, died})}{p(\text{female}) \times p(\text{died})}\right) +$$

$$p(\text{male, survived}) \times \log\left(\frac{p(\text{male, survived})}{p(\text{male}) \times p(\text{survived})}\right) +$$

$$p(\text{male, died}) \times \log\left(\frac{p(\text{male, died})}{p(\text{male}) \times p(\text{died})}\right)$$

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$$I(X; Y) = \sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} p_{(X,Y)}(x, y) \log \left(\frac{p_{(X,Y)}(x, y)}{p_X(x) p_Y(y)} \right)$$

$$p(\text{female, survived}) \times \log\left(\frac{p(\text{female, survived})}{p(\text{female}) \times p(\text{survived})}\right) +$$

$$.375 \times \log\left(\frac{.375}{.5 \times .5}\right) +$$

$$p(\text{female, died}) \times \log\left(\frac{p(\text{female, died})}{p(\text{female}) \times p(\text{died})}\right) +$$

$$.125 \times \log\left(\frac{.125}{.5 \times .5}\right) +$$

$$p(\text{male, survived}) \times \log\left(\frac{p(\text{male, survived})}{p(\text{male}) \times p(\text{survived})}\right) +$$

$$.125 \times \log\left(\frac{0.125}{.5 \times .5}\right) +$$

$$p(\text{male, died}) \times \log\left(\frac{p(\text{male, died})}{p(\text{male}) \times p(\text{died})}\right)$$

$$.29 \times \log\left(\frac{.375}{.5 \times .5}\right)$$

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$$p(\text{female, survived}) \times \log \left(\frac{p(\text{female, survived})}{p(\text{female}) \times p(\text{survived})} \right) +$$

$$p(\text{female, died}) \times \log \left(\frac{p(\text{female, died})}{p(\text{female}) \times p(\text{died})} \right) +$$

$$p(\text{male, survived}) \times \log \left(\frac{p(\text{male, survived})}{p(\text{male}) \times p(\text{survived})} \right) +$$

$$p(\text{male, died}) \times \log \left(\frac{p(\text{male, died})}{p(\text{male}) \times p(\text{died})} \right)$$

$$MI = 0.13$$

Mutual Information in ML

No association

$p(X,Y)$ the joint probability

$p(\text{female and survived}) = 2 / 8 = 0.25$

$p(\text{female and died}) = 2 / 8 = 0.25$

$p(\text{male and survived}) = 2 / 8 = 0.25$

$p(\text{male and died}) = 2 / 8 = 0.25$

Gender	Survived
Female	Yes
Female	No
Female	Yes
Female	No
Male	Yes
Male	No
Male	Yes
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Mutual Information

$$I(X; Y) = \sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} p_{(X,Y)}(x, y) \log \left(\frac{p_{(X,Y)}(x, y)}{p_X(x) p_Y(y)} \right)$$

$$p(\text{female, survived}) \times \log\left(\frac{p(\text{female, survived})}{p(\text{female}) \times p(\text{survived})}\right) +$$

$$.25 \times \log\left(\frac{.25}{.5 \times .5}\right) +$$

$$p(\text{female, died}) \times \log\left(\frac{p(\text{female, died})}{p(\text{female}) \times p(\text{died})}\right) +$$

$$.25 \times \log\left(\frac{.25}{.5 \times .5}\right) +$$

$$p(\text{male, survived}) \times \log\left(\frac{p(\text{male, survived})}{p(\text{male}) \times p(\text{survived})}\right) +$$

$$.25 \times \log\left(\frac{.25}{.5 \times .5}\right) +$$

$$p(\text{male, died}) \times \log\left(\frac{p(\text{male, died})}{p(\text{male}) \times p(\text{died})}\right)$$

$$.25 \times \log\left(\frac{.25}{.5 \times .5}\right)$$

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$$I(X; Y) = \sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} p_{(X,Y)}(x, y) \log \left(\frac{p_{(X,Y)}(x, y)}{p_X(x) p_Y(y)} \right)$$

$$p(\text{female, survived}) \times \log \left(\frac{p(\text{female, survived})}{p(\text{female}) \times p(\text{survived})} \right) +$$

$$p(\text{female, died}) \times \log \left(\frac{p(\text{female, died})}{p(\text{female}) \times p(\text{died})} \right) +$$

$$p(\text{male, survived}) \times \log \left(\frac{p(\text{male, survived})}{p(\text{male}) \times p(\text{survived})} \right) +$$

$$p(\text{male, died}) \times \log \left(\frac{p(\text{male, died})}{p(\text{male}) \times p(\text{died})} \right)$$

$$MI = 0.0$$

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Deterministic

$p(X,Y)$ the joint probability

$p(\text{female and survived}) = 4 / 8 = 0.5$

$p(\text{female and died}) = 0 / 8 = 0$

$p(\text{male and survived}) = 0 / 8 = 0$

$p(\text{male and died}) = 4 / 8 = 0.5$

Gender	Survived
Female	Yes
Female	Yes
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$$I(X; Y) = \sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} p_{(X,Y)}(x, y) \log \left(\frac{p_{(X,Y)}(x, y)}{p_X(x) p_Y(y)} \right)$$

$$p(\text{female, survived}) \times \log\left(\frac{p(\text{female, survived})}{p(\text{female}) \times p(\text{survived})}\right) +$$

$$.5 \times \log\left(\frac{.5}{.5 \times .5}\right) +$$

$$p(\text{female, died}) \times \log\left(\frac{p(\text{female, died})}{p(\text{female}) \times p(\text{died})}\right) +$$

$$0 \times \log\left(\frac{0}{.5 \times .5}\right) +$$

$$p(\text{male, survived}) \times \log\left(\frac{p(\text{male, survived})}{p(\text{male}) \times p(\text{survived})}\right) +$$

$$0 \times \log\left(\frac{0}{.5 \times .5}\right) +$$

$$p(\text{male, died}) \times \log\left(\frac{p(\text{male, died})}{p(\text{male}) \times p(\text{died})}\right)$$

$$.5 \times \log\left(\frac{.5}{.5 \times .5}\right)$$

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$$I(X; Y) = \sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} p_{(X,Y)}(x, y) \log \left(\frac{p_{(X,Y)}(x, y)}{p_X(x) p_Y(y)} \right)$$

$$p(\text{female, survived}) \times \log \left(\frac{p(\text{female, survived})}{p(\text{female}) \times p(\text{survived})} \right) +$$

$$p(\text{female, died}) \times \log \left(\frac{p(\text{female, died})}{p(\text{female}) \times p(\text{died})} \right) +$$

$$p(\text{male, survived}) \times \log \left(\frac{p(\text{male, survived})}{p(\text{male}) \times p(\text{survived})} \right) +$$

$$p(\text{male, died}) \times \log \left(\frac{p(\text{male, died})}{p(\text{male}) \times p(\text{died})} \right)$$

MI = towards infinite

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