

CONSUMER THEORY FOR CHEAP INFORMATION

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- ▶ A researcher studying a vaccine:
 - ▶ **State:** whether effective or not
 - ▶ **Action:** whether to introduce the vaccine or not
 - ▶ **Info sources:** different trial protocols
 - ▶ **Amount of info:** how many trial participants
 - ▶ **Constraint:** grant budget

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- ▶ Tradeoffs between different sources
 - ▶ marginal rate of substitution

POTENTIAL APPLICATIONS

- ▶ Media and rational inattention: how people allocate their resources (e.g. time) between different news/info sources
- ▶ Research design and optimal treatment allocation

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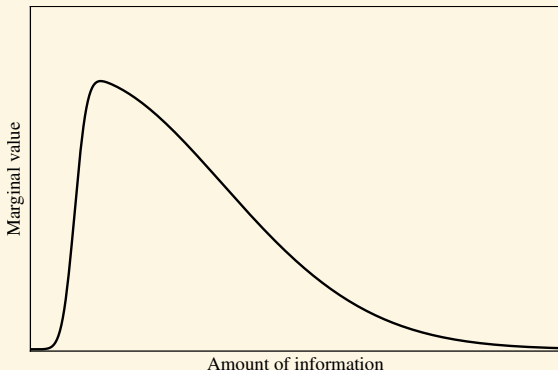
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- ▶ In the broadest sense, information sources can only be ordered by garbling.

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Another example: Marginal values of information can slope up at small samples.

- FOC analysis doesn't easily work



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In general, information value doesn't have a nice, closed-form expression.

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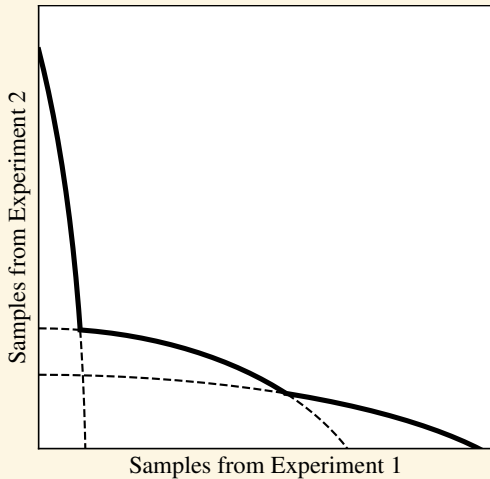
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- ▶ to arbitrary finite-action/finite-state problems.

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- ▶ Technical: tighten the bounds on the convergence rate.

OTHER RELATED LITERATURE

Value of and comparisons between information sources:

Börgers et al. [2013], Athey and Levin [2018], &c.

Rational inattention:

Sims [2003], &c.

Optimal experiment design:

Elfving [1952], Chernoff [1953], Dette et al. [2007], &c.

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 - ▶ \Rightarrow no realization perfectly reveals or rules out any state.

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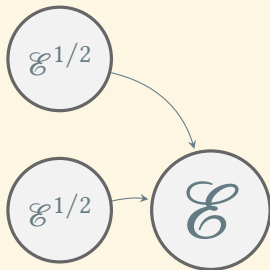
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Definition

Say an information source, \mathcal{E} is **infinitely-divisible** if for any k there exists an information source $\mathcal{E}^{1/k}$ such that k samples conditionally i.i.d. from $\mathcal{E}^{1/k}$ is equivalent to 1 sample from \mathcal{E} .

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$1/2$ “samples” from \mathcal{E} means 1 sample from $\mathcal{E}^{1/2}$



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Sum of Poissons is Poisson:

1 sample from the Poissonization with 1 expected sample



2 samples from the Poissonization with 0.5 expected samples.

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Expected difference in value of acting correctly and acting with information

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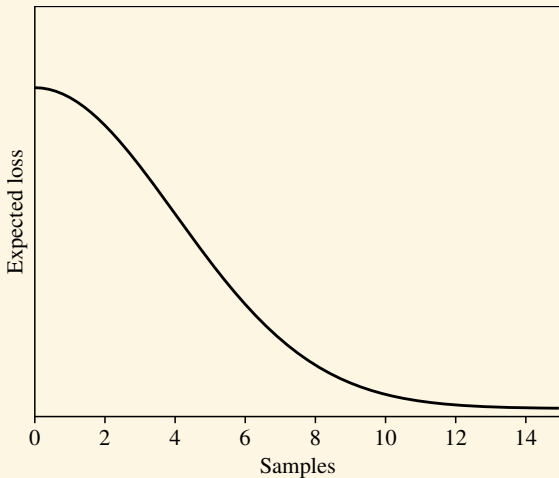
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Goal: Minimize subject to budget constraint
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But can't use CLT: $\mathbb{E}(s_i) < 0$ errors happen far from the mean.

This is a **large** deviation.

[MORE INFO](#)

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Large deviations approximations often depend on a minimized moment generating function:

$$\begin{aligned}\rho &\equiv \min_t M(t) \\ &= \min_t \int e^{t \log\left(\frac{f(x|H_1)}{f(x|H_0)}\right)} f(x|H_0) dx \\ &= \min_t \int f(x|H_1)^t f(x|H_0)^{1-t} dx\end{aligned}$$

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LOSS WITH MULTIPLE SOURCES

Plugging things in, we have

$$\begin{aligned} L(n_1, n_2) &= A(r) \frac{\rho_r^N}{\sqrt{N}} \left(1 + O\left(\frac{1}{N}\right) \right) \\ &= A(r) \frac{\rho_{r1}^{n_1} \rho_{r2}^{n_2}}{\sqrt{n_1 + n_2}} \left(1 + O\left(\frac{1}{n_1 + n_2}\right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

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Composite experiments perform **worse** than the sum of their parts.

INTUITION

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- ▶ Defined the **efficiency index**, ρ
- ▶ Losses fall exponentially fast in ρ with sample
- ▶ Introduced the **marginal efficiency index**, ρ_{rj}
 - ▶ loss is reduced by roughly a factor of ρ_{r1} consuming a sample from \mathcal{E}_1 in addition to a bundle with sample proportions r

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MARGINAL PRECISION

Similarly, define the r -**composite** precision and r -**marginal** precisions.

$$\begin{aligned} -\log(\rho_r) &\equiv \beta_r = r\beta_{r1} + (1-r)\beta_{r2} \\ &\equiv -r \log(\rho_{r1}) - (1-r) \log(\rho_{r2}) \end{aligned}$$

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 - ▶ Define **precision** ✓
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Can treat total worst-case precision **as if** utility.

PRECISION PER DOLLAR

Since precision is homothetic, we can equivalently say the optimal sample proportions maximize **precision per dollar**

$$r^* = \arg \max_r \left\{ \min_{\theta, \theta'} \left\{ \frac{\beta_r(\theta, \theta')}{rc_1 + (1-r)c_2} \right\} \right\}$$

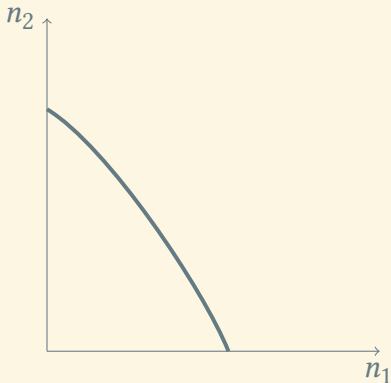
CORNERS?

Recall composites are worse than the sum of their parts for a fixed dichotomy:

$$\rho_{r1}^{n_1} \rho_{r2}^{n_2} \geq \rho_1^{n_1} \rho_2^{n_2} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad n_1 \beta_{r1} + n_2 \beta_{r2} \leq n_1 \beta_1 + n_2 \beta_2$$

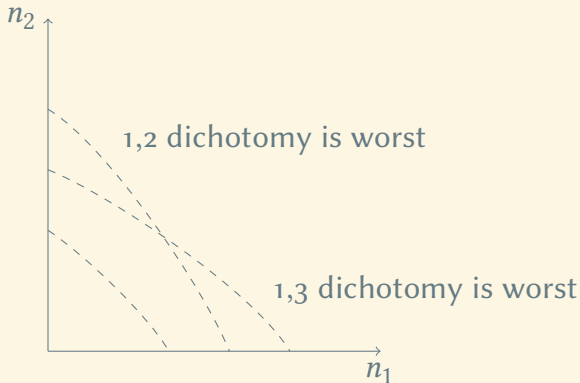
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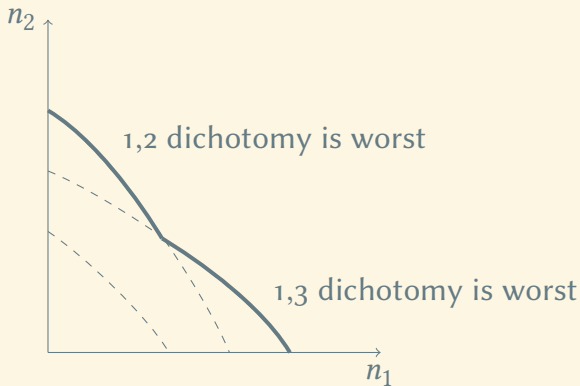
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PROPERTIES OF PRECISION

Lemma

For a fixed dichotomy, total precision is homothetic and (quasi)convex.

*Worst-case precision is thus homothetic and **locally** quasiconvex at almost all sample proportions r .*

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INCOME ELASTICITY

Information sources are always normal goods at large samples.

Corollary (Income elasticity)

The (arc) income elasticity of demand given a fixed change in budget is $1 + O(\epsilon)$.

DEMAND AT KINKS

Proposition (corners or kinks)

The set of sample proportions that maximize worst-case precision for some cost vector and budget is finite.

$$|\{r^* : \exists c_1, c_2, Y \text{ s.t. } r^* \in \arg \max_r \{\min_{\theta, \theta'} \beta_r(\theta, \theta') / (rc_1 + (1-r)c_2)\}\}| < \infty$$

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- ▶ Often have additional constraints (finite-sample datasets)

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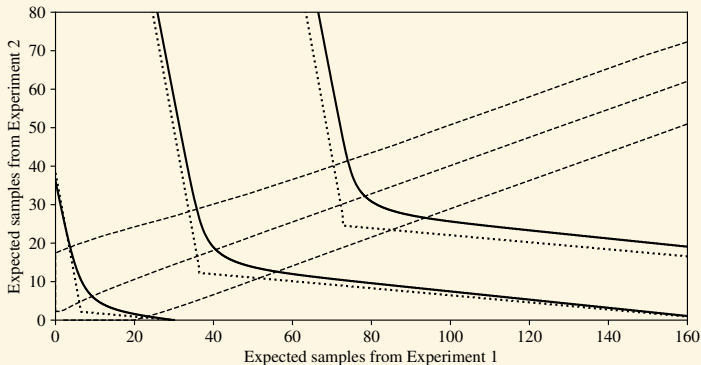
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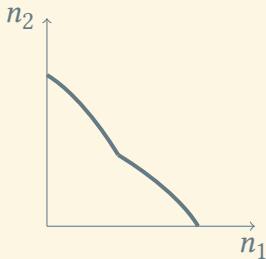
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LARGE VS SMALL DEVIATIONS

- ▶ Could we just use a CLT?
 - ▶ No: CLT approximates $\mathbb{P}(\bar{x}_n - \mu < \epsilon/\sqrt{n})$
 - ▶ Pr. that the deviation from the true mean is bigger than some shrinking cutoff
 - ▶ i.e. that the deviation is small.
- ▶ We have $\mathbb{P}(\bar{x}_n - \mu > -\mu + L/n)$
 - ▶ Pr. that the deviation from the true mean is more than a fixed amount
 - ▶ This is a **large** deviation.

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In this case, most decision makers will prefer 2 samples from one or the other over 1 from each because 97% of the time, the two sources will send contradictory signals.

LOCAL (QUASI)CONVEXITY

Definition

Say a function, f , is **locally (quasi)convex** around a point x if for ε small enough f is (quasi)convex on $B(x, \varepsilon)$.

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DISCRETE ANALOG TO MRS

Proposition

Suppose $\mathcal{E}_1, \mathcal{E}_2$ not infinitely divisible. If there is a unique worst-case dichotomy at sample proportions, r , then the minimum number of samples from \mathcal{E}_2 , k_2 , required to minimally compensate for a loss of k_1 samples from \mathcal{E}_1 is exactly

$$k_2 = \left\lceil k_1 \frac{\beta_{r1}(D)}{\beta_{r2}(D)} \right\rceil$$

for $n_1 + n_2$ high enough.

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But you might know $\hat{\beta}(\theta)$ by another name: Fisher information

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Suggests a link between Chernoff's efficiency notion and Pitman's efficiency notion.

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