

# Entropy

## 1 Recall

Mean, Median, Variance, Standard Deviation...

## 2 Definition : $H(P)$

Q : How can you describe the probability distribution with just “a” number?

We are given the probability distribution  $P$ . (We have  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n$  such that  $\forall i, p_i \geq 0$  and  $\sum p_i = 1$ ).

$$H(P) \triangleq \sum_i p_i (-\log p_i) = \left( p_1 (-\log p_1) + p_2 (-\log p_2) + \dots + p_n (-\log p_n) \right).$$

You might recall that the entropy is the average of bits that is needed to send the information.

## 3 Cross Entropy : $H(P, Q)$

Q : What is the average of bits when we do not know the true probability distribution  $P$ ?

Since we do not know the true probability distribution  $P$ , we choose some distribution  $Q$ . The bits corresponding to  $p_i$  is  $-\log q_i$ . Therefore, the answer is  $\sum_i p_i (-\log q_i)$ .

$$H(P, Q) \triangleq \sum_i p_i (-\log q_i).$$

## 4 KL divergence : $D_{KL}(P||Q)$

Q : What is the loss of bits when we do not know the true probability distribution  $P$ ?

A : Cross Entropy - Entropy

$$D_{KL}(P||Q) \triangleq H(P, Q) - H(P) = \sum_i p_i(-\log q_i) - \sum_i p_i(-\log p_i) = \sum_i p_i \log \frac{p_i}{q_i}.$$

## 5 Log Loss

Assume that estimated click probability is  $p$ . (non-click probability is  $1 - p$ .)

We calculate KL-divergence between  $P$ (click event “or” non-click event) with  $Q$ (estimated click probability distribution).

1. Click event

	$P$	$Q$
non-click	0%	$1 - p$
click	100%	$p$

$$\begin{aligned} D_{KL}(P||Q) &\triangleq H(P, Q) - H(P) = \sum_i p_i(-\log q_i) - \sum_i p_i(-\log p_i) \\ &= \left(0(-\log(1 - p)) + 1(-\log p)\right) - \left(0(-\log 0) + 1(-\log 1)\right) = -\log p. \end{aligned}$$

2. Non-Click event

	$P$	$Q$
non-click	100%	$1 - p$
click	0%	$p$

$$\begin{aligned} D_{KL}(P||Q) &\triangleq H(P, Q) - H(P) = \sum_i p_i(-\log q_i) - \sum_i p_i(-\log p_i) \\ &= \left(1(-\log(1 - p)) + 0(-\log p)\right) - \left(1(-\log 1) + 0(-\log 0)\right) = -\log(1 - p). \end{aligned}$$

### 5.1 Definition

Summing up,  $C \cdot (-\log p) + (1 - C) \cdot (-\log(1 - p))$  where  $C$  is 1 if click event and 0 otherwise.

$$\text{LogLoss}(C) \triangleq C \cdot (-\log p) + (1 - C) \cdot (-\log(1 - p)).$$