

Rate-dist. Theory

Motivating Example

$X_1, X_2, \dots \sim \text{Bernoulli}(1/2)$ iid. (e.g. output of ~~very good~~ lossless compression alg.)
Want to compress further, but $H(X)=1 \Rightarrow$ further lossless comp. is not possible.

Willing to accept up to $\delta = 1/4$ of bits incorrectly reproduced on average (upon decompression).

How good can we do?

Let's encode in blocks: n symbols at a time, into codewords of k symbols. (So, compression rate = k/n .)

Case $n=1, k=0$:

x	$p(x)$	$C(x)$	\hat{x}	$d(x, \hat{x})$
0	$1/2$	—	0	0
1	$1/2$	—	0	1

← fraction wrong, in this case

$$\Rightarrow D = E d(X, \hat{X}) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 0 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1 = \frac{1}{2} > \frac{1}{4}$$
$$R = \frac{k}{n} = 0.$$

No good

Case $n=1, k=1$:

x	$p(x)$	$C(x)$	\hat{x}	$d(x, \hat{x})$
0	$1/2$	0	0	0
1	$1/2$	1	1	0

$$\Rightarrow D = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 0 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 0 = 0 \leq 1/4. \text{ OK.}$$

$$R = \frac{k}{n} = 1. \left(\text{So for } n=1, R=1 \right)$$

is best possible s.t. $D \leq \delta$.

Let's try $n=2$ at a time...

$$n=2, k=0$$

$x_{1:2}$	$p(x_{1:2})$	$C(x_{1:2})$	$\hat{x}_{1:2}$	$d(x_{1:2}, \hat{x}_{1:2})$
00	$1/4$	-	00	0
01	$1/4$	-	00	0 $1/2$
10	$1/4$	-	00	$1/2$
11	$1/4$	-	00	1

$$\Rightarrow D = \frac{1}{4}(0 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + 1) = \frac{1}{2} > \delta$$

No good!

$$n=2, k=1$$

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10	$1/4$	1	11	$1/2$
11	$1/4$	1	11	0

$$\Rightarrow D = \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{4} \leq \delta$$

$$R = \frac{k}{n} = \frac{1}{2}$$

OK!

So, we are down to $R=1/2$
using $n=2$ (instead of $n=1$.)

We could keep going, $n=3, 4, \dots$ reducing R further, while keeping $D \leq \delta$.
(Gets tricky to choose good codes.)

Turns out, ~~the best possible R for n is~~ letting R_n denote the rate of best possible code for n
(subject to $D \leq \delta$) then $R_n \rightarrow 0.1887$
 $1 - H(\delta)$ (Theoretical result due to Shannon's Rate-Dist Thm.)
(Difficult to choose codes in practice!)

i.e. Can store n bits into $k < n/5$ bits
and still get 75% of bits correct upon decompressing!

Note: If we took the naive approach of just discarding all but the first ~~$n/5$ bits~~ $1-\delta$ bits
we could have $R = \frac{k}{n} = \frac{(1-\delta)n}{n} = 1-\delta = 3/4$. Nowhere close to 0.19!

$$\underline{n=3, k=1}$$

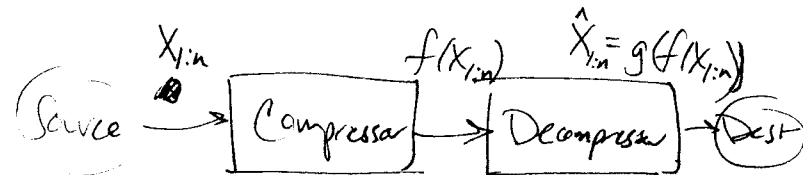
$x_{1:3}$	$p(x_{1:3})$	$C(x_{1:3})$	$\hat{x}_{1:3}$	$d(x_{1:3}, \hat{x}_{1:3})$
000	$\frac{1}{8}$	0	000	0
001	$\frac{1}{8}$	0	000	$\frac{1}{3}$
010	$\frac{1}{8}$	0	000	$\frac{1}{3}$
011	.	1	111	$\frac{1}{3}$
100	.	0	000	$\frac{1}{3}$
101	.	1	111	$\frac{1}{3}$
110	.	1	111	$\frac{1}{3}$
111	.	1	111	0

$$\Rightarrow D = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{4} + 0 = \frac{1}{4} \leq \delta.$$

OK

$$R = \frac{1}{3}. \quad \text{Getting closer!}$$

Rate-Distortion Theory (i.e. Lossy Compression)



- Want to compress an image, or video, or song/audio.

~~Have a measure of "distortion" b/w repr~~

- Willing to accept some loss of fidelity
- For a given acceptable level of distortion, what is the best compression that can be achieved?

Discrete memoryless (Simplification)

(can generalize, but we'll consider only finite case)

Source: Let $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim p$ iid, where p is a pmf on a finite set \mathcal{X} .

Defn: A (n, k) lossy compression code \mathcal{C} (aka rate distortion code) for \mathcal{X} consists of

- ① encoder $f: \mathcal{X}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^k$
- and ② decoder $g: \mathcal{B}^k \rightarrow \hat{\mathcal{X}}^n$.

Rks: ① Typically, $\hat{\mathcal{X}} = \mathcal{X}$.

② Compression rate $= R = k/n$.

③ Small R is good (as opposed to error-correction, where large R is good).

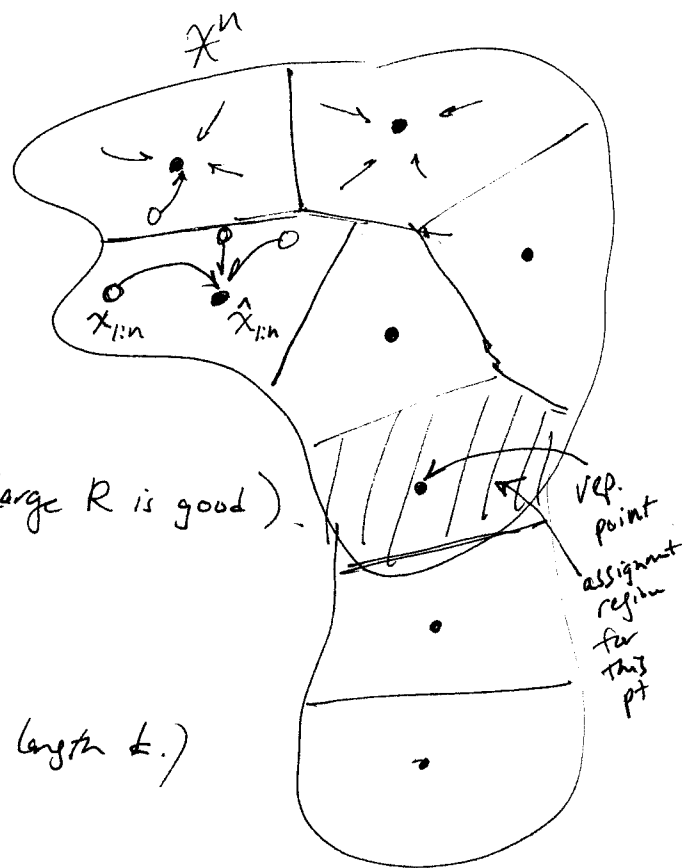
(Small R means smaller compressed size)

④ Connection with lossless compression:

expected codeword length $= L = k$ (since all codewords have length k .)

expected encoded ~~length~~ ^{bits/symbols} per source symbol $= L_n = \frac{L}{n} = \frac{k}{n} = R$.

⑤ codebook = $\{$



8 chosen "reproduction points" $\hat{x}_{1:n} \Rightarrow 8 = 2^k$
 $k = 3$.

(loss fn)
Defn: A distortion f_d is a map $d: \mathcal{X} \times \hat{\mathcal{X}} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$.

- Rks: ① ^{Interpretation:} $d(x, \hat{x})$ is larger when ~~error~~ \hat{x} is worse (as a reproduction of x). $d(x, \hat{x})$ is the penalty ^{resulting} ~~from~~ from representing x as \hat{x} .
- ② $d(x, \hat{x}) = \infty$ is permitted.
- ③ d is banded if $\max_{x, \hat{x}} d(x, \hat{x}) < \infty$.

Example: "0-1 distortion"
 ~~$\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{X} = \{0, 1\}$~~
 $\mathcal{X} = \hat{\mathcal{X}}$ and $d(x, \hat{x}) = \mathbb{I}(x \neq \hat{x}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if "incorrect"} \\ 0 & \text{if "correct"} \end{cases}$

Defn: The distortion between sequences $x_{1:n} \in \mathcal{X}^n$ and $\hat{x}_{1:n} \in \hat{\mathcal{X}}^n$ induced by ~~$d(x, \hat{x})$~~ $d(x, \hat{x})$ is

$$d(x_{1:n}, \hat{x}_{1:n}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n d(x_i, \hat{x}_i).$$

Defn: The expected ~~mean~~ distortion of an (n, k) ^{lossy} code $C = (f, g)$ wrt the source $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim p$ (iid) is

$$D_C = E d(X_{1:n}, \hat{X}_{1:n}), \text{ where } \hat{X}_{1:n} = g(f(X_{1:n})).$$

(i.e. $D_C = \sum_{x_{1:n}} d(x_{1:n}, g(f(x_{1:n}))) p(x_{1:n})$.)

~~More generally~~
Defn: The expected distortion of a conditional dist $q(\hat{x}|x)$ on ~~$\mathcal{X} \times \hat{\mathcal{X}}$ given $x \in \mathcal{X}$~~ $\hat{\mathcal{X}}$ given x (where $x \sim p$)

is $D_q = E d(X, \hat{X}) = \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \sum_{\hat{x} \in \hat{\mathcal{X}}} d(x, \hat{x}) p(x) q(\hat{x}|x)$. (Note: $x \in \mathcal{X}$ $\hat{x} \in \hat{\mathcal{X}}$ are single symbols.)

Given a source dist $p(x)$ on \mathcal{X} and a dist. fn $d: \mathcal{X} \times \hat{\mathcal{X}} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$, and

Defn: Given $r \geq 0$, and $\delta \geq 0$, we say (r, δ) is achievable (as a "rate-distortion pair") if $\forall \epsilon > 0$ there is a ~~lossy~~ lossy code with $R \leq r$ and $D \leq \delta + \epsilon$.

~~Defn~~ The rate-distortion problem (i.e. lossy comp problem) is:

① (Theoretically) Given an acceptable level of distortion $\delta \geq 0$, what is the best (smallest) ~~achievable~~ r that is achievable? (Answered by Rate-Dist. Thm)

② (Practically) How ~~can we~~ to do this in practice? (Solved for very few problems - Very difficult)

Defn: The rate distortion function is $p(\delta) = \inf \{ r \geq 0 : (r, \delta) \text{ is achievable.} \}$

Thm (Rate-Dist. Thm): ^{Shannon's} For an iid source and a bounded dist. fn,

$$p(\delta) = \min_{q: D_q \leq \delta} I(X: \hat{X}),$$

(where the min is over cond. dists $q(\hat{x}|x)$, and $(\hat{X}, X) \sim p(x)q(\hat{x}|x)$.)

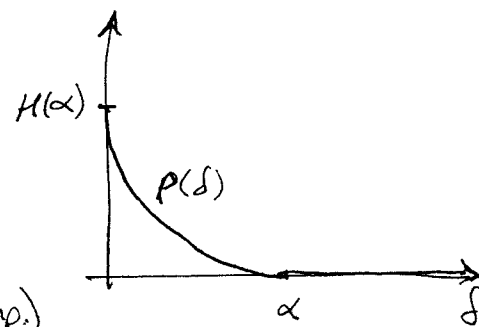
Note: $X \in \mathcal{X}$, ~~and~~ $\hat{X} \in \hat{\mathcal{X}}$ are single symbols (not \mathcal{X}^n .)

Rate-dist fn for a Bernoulli source

(Before proving the result, let's use it to compute $p(\delta)$ in an important special case.)

Thm: If $X_1, X_2, \dots \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Bernoulli}(\alpha)$ with $\alpha \in (0, 1/2]$ and $d(x, \hat{x}) = \mathbb{1}(x \neq \hat{x})$,

$$\text{then } p(\delta) = \begin{cases} H(\alpha) - H(\delta) & \text{if } 0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha \\ 0 & \text{if } \delta > \alpha. \end{cases}$$



Rk: Intuition: If $\delta = 0$, this is the source coding thm (zero dist = lossless comp.)

If $\delta \geq \alpha$, can get rate 0 since typical x seqs have $\approx \alpha n \leq \delta n$ ones. (So, take $\hat{x} \equiv 0$.)

If $0 < \delta < \alpha$, expect to interpolate b/w these.

Pf: ① First, suppose $\delta > \alpha$. (Choose $q(\hat{x}|x) = \mathbb{1}(\hat{x} = 0)$. Then $I(X; \hat{X}) = 0$ and

$$D_q = E d(X, \hat{X}) = E \mathbb{1}(X \neq \hat{X}) = P(X \neq \hat{X}) = P(X \neq 0) = P(X=1) = \alpha < \delta \Rightarrow D_q \leq \delta, I(X; \hat{X}) = 0. \\ \Rightarrow \underline{p(\delta) = 0 \text{ if } \delta > \alpha.}$$

② Suppose $0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha$.

③ Claim: $p(\delta) \geq H(\alpha) - H(\delta)$. Pf of claim (Let $q(\hat{x}|x)$ be any ^{cont} dist s.t. $D_q \leq \delta$.)

(Let $Z = \mathbb{1}(X \neq \hat{X})$, Then $E Z = D_q$ (since $Z = d(X, \hat{X})$). Hence, $H(Z) = H(D_q) \leq H(\delta)$. ^{since $D_q \leq \delta \leq \alpha \leq 1/2$}

$$I(X; \hat{X}) = \underbrace{H(X)}_{H(\alpha)} - \underbrace{H(X|\hat{X})} \geq H(\alpha) - H(\delta).$$

So, $\forall q$ s.t. $D_q \leq \delta$, $I(X; \hat{X}) \geq H(\alpha) - H(\delta)$.

$$\nearrow H(Z|\hat{X}) \leq H(Z) \leq H(\delta).$$

(since given $\hat{x} = \hat{x}$, Z is a 1-1 fn of X)

$$\Rightarrow p(\delta) = \min_{q: D_q \leq \delta} I(X; \hat{X}) \geq H(\alpha) - H(\delta).$$

□ claim ③

(b) Claim: $\exists q$ s.t. $D_q \leq \delta$ and $I(X:\hat{X}) = H(\alpha) - H(\delta)$.

Want: $H(X) - H(X|\hat{X}) \stackrel{?}{=} H(\alpha) - H(\delta) \Leftarrow H(\delta) \stackrel{?}{=} H(X|\hat{X}) = \sum_{\hat{x}} H(X|\hat{X}=\hat{x}) P(\hat{X}=\hat{x})$

$\alpha = (1-\beta)\delta + \beta(1-\delta)$ $\Leftarrow P(X=x|\hat{X}=x) = 1-\delta \Rightarrow H(X|\hat{X}=\hat{x}) \stackrel{?}{=} H(\delta) \forall \hat{x}$

where $\beta = P(\hat{X}=1)$.

~~Since~~ ~~since~~ ~~since~~
 $P(X=1) = P(X=1|\hat{X}=0)P(\hat{X}=0) + P(X=1|\hat{X}=1)P(\hat{X}=1)$

$P(\hat{x})$	\hat{x}	$P(X \hat{x})$	X	$P(x)$
$1-\beta$	0	$1-\delta$	0	$1-\alpha$
β	1	δ	1	α

Also, if q satisfies this, then

$D_q = E d(X, \hat{X}) = P(X \neq \hat{X})$

$\Rightarrow D_q \leq \delta$

$= \sum_x \underbrace{P(X \neq x|\hat{X}=x)}_{\delta''} P(\hat{X}=x) = \delta$



$\alpha = \delta - \beta\delta + \beta(1-\delta) \Leftrightarrow \beta = \frac{\alpha - \delta}{1 - 2\delta}$

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Note: $\beta \geq 0$ since $0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha \leq 1/2$, and $\beta \leq 1$ since $\alpha - \delta \leq 1 - 2\delta = 1 - \delta - \delta$.

This motivates the choice: $q(1|1) = P(\hat{X}=1|X=1) = \frac{P(X=1|\hat{X}=1)P(\hat{X}=1)}{P(X=1)} = \frac{(1-\delta)\beta}{\alpha} = \frac{(1-\delta)(\alpha-\delta)}{\alpha(1-2\delta)}$

~~$q(0|1) = 1 - q(1|1)$~~ ~~(Note: $q(1|1) \geq 0$ since $\delta \leq \alpha$ and $0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha \leq 1/2$)~~

Note: $q(1|1) \geq 0$ since $\beta \geq 0$.

Similarly, $q(0|1) = P(\hat{X}=0|X=1) = \frac{\delta(1-\beta)}{\alpha}$

Note: $q(0|1) \geq 0$ since $\beta \leq 1$.

Also, $q(0|1) + q(1|1) = 1$ since $\frac{\delta(1-\beta)}{\alpha} + \frac{(1-\delta)\beta}{\alpha} = \frac{1}{\alpha}(\delta - \delta\beta + \beta - \delta\beta) = 1$.

So, this choice of $q(\hat{X}|1)$ is a valid prob. dist.

α by α

$$q(0|0) = P(\hat{X}=0|X=0) = \frac{P(X=0|\hat{X}=0)P(\hat{X}=0)}{P(X=0)} = \frac{(1-\delta)(1-\beta)}{1-\alpha} \geq 0.$$

$$q(1|0) = \dots = \frac{\delta\beta}{1-\alpha} \geq 0.$$

$$q(0|0) + q(1|0) = \frac{1}{1-\alpha} \left((1-\delta)(1-\beta) + \delta\beta \right) = \frac{1}{1-\alpha} \underbrace{(1-\delta-\beta+2\delta\beta)}_{1-\alpha \text{ by } ***} = 1.$$

~~So, choose $q(\hat{x}|x)$~~

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Now, we know what to do:

Define $q(\hat{x}|x)$ by: $q(1|1) = \frac{(1-\delta)\beta}{\alpha}$ and $q(1|0) = \frac{\delta\beta}{1-\alpha}$ where $\beta = \frac{\alpha-\delta}{1-2\delta}$

(and $q(0|1) = 1 - q(1|1)$, $q(0|0) = 1 - q(1|0)$.)

Then $P(X=x|\hat{X}=x) = 1-\delta$ holds, and we obtain $D_q \leq \delta$ and ~~$H(\delta) = H(X|\hat{X})$~~

$$I(X:\hat{X}) = H(\alpha) - H(\delta).$$

□ claim ⑥.

Claims ⑤ + ⑥ imply that $q(\delta) = H(\alpha) - H(\delta)$ when $0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha \leq 1/2$. □ Thm

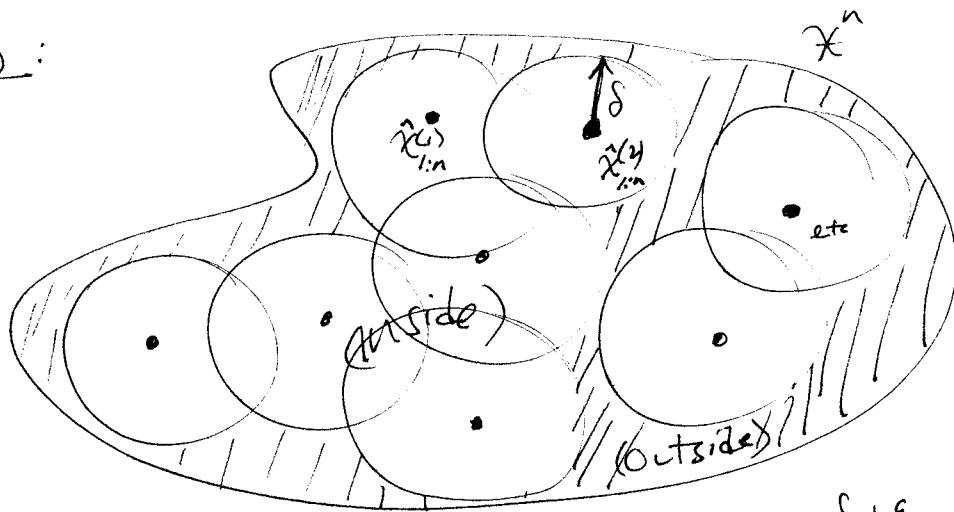
Rate-Dist. Thm - Sketch of proof (of achievability) $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists \text{code}^C$ with rate $\leq R$ and exp. dist $D_C \leq \delta + \epsilon$

(Recall:) Defn: The rate dist. fn is $\rho(\delta) = \inf \{r \geq 0 : (r, \delta) \text{ is achievable}\}$.

Thm: For an iid source $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim p$ and bounded dist fn $d: \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, d_{\max}]$, $\rho(\delta) = \min_{q: D_q \leq \delta} I(X: \hat{X})$
 (where the min is over $q(\hat{x}|x)$ and $(X, \hat{X}) \sim p(x)q(\hat{x}|x)$.)

(Proof has two parts: \geq and \leq . Showing \geq is relatively straightforward seq. of ineqs - see text.
 Here's the basic idea of \leq .)

Pf sketch (\leq):



(Note: Purely for visualization purposes...
 $d(x, \hat{x})$ need not be a metric!)

$$D_C = \sum_{x_{i,n}} d(x_{i,n}, \hat{x}_{i,n}) p(x_{i,n}) = \underbrace{\sum_{\text{inside}} d(\dots) p(\dots)}_{\leq \delta + \epsilon} + \underbrace{\sum_{\text{outside}} d(\dots) p(\dots)}_{\leq d_{\max} P(X_{i,n} \text{ "outside" } C)} \leq (\delta + \epsilon) + d_{\max} P$$

Random Codebook

$\Rightarrow \bar{D} = \sum D_C P(C) \leq (\delta + \epsilon) + d_{\max} P(X_{i,n} \text{ "outside" } C) \leq \delta + 2\epsilon$ for n suff large
 $\Rightarrow \exists C$ with rate R s.t. $D_C \leq \delta + 2\epsilon$.
 small if R is big enough. (Turns out $R > \rho(\delta)$ is good enough.)
 since # codewords is 2^{nR} . (The codewords "fill up" the space whp.)

A little more formally:

Setup: Let $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim p$ iid. (let $d: \mathcal{X} \times \hat{\mathcal{X}} \rightarrow [0, d_{\max}]$. (let $\delta \geq 0$.

(Goal: $\inf \{r \geq 0: (r, \delta) \text{ is achievable}\} \leq \min_{q: D_q \leq \delta} I(X: \hat{X}).$)

Choose $q(\hat{x}|x)$ to attain the min; so that $D_q \leq \delta$ and δ and let $(X,$

and let $(X, \hat{X}) \sim p(x)q(\hat{x}|x)$. (~~Goal: \exists lossy code C~~

let $R > I(X: \hat{X})$. (Goal: \exists lossy code C with rate R and exp. dist. $D_C \leq \delta + 2\epsilon$)

write $p(\hat{x})$ for $p(\hat{x}) = \sum_x p(x)q(\hat{x}|x)$.

Random Codebook: let $C = (\hat{X}_{1:n}^{(1)}, \dots, \hat{X}_{1:n}^{(2^{nR})})$ where $\hat{X}_j^{(i)} \sim p(\hat{x})$ $\forall i, j$. iid.

(So $\mathbb{P}(C=c) = \prod_{i,j} p(\hat{x}_j^{(i)})$.)

Encode by Dist. Typicality: Introduce the dist. typical set:

$$T_{\epsilon}^{(n)} = \left\{ (x_{1:n}, \hat{x}_{1:n}) : x_{1:n} \in A_{\epsilon}^{(n)}(X), \hat{x}_{1:n} \in A_{\epsilon}^{(n)}(\hat{X}), (x_{1:n}, \hat{x}_{1:n}) \in A_{\epsilon}^{(n)}(X, \hat{X}), \right. \\ \left. \text{and } |d(x_{1:n}, \hat{x}_{1:n}) - \underbrace{E d(X, \hat{X})}_{D_q}| \leq \epsilon \right\}$$

To encode $x_{1:n}$ with codebook $C = (x_{1:n}^{(1)}, \dots, x_{1:n}^{(n)})$:

- If $\exists i$ s.t. $(x_{1:n}, \hat{x}_{1:n}^{(i)}) \in T_\varepsilon^{(n)}$ then define $f_c(x_{1:n}) = i$. (If more than one such i , choose the first one, say.)
- Otherwise, define $f_c(x_{1:n}) = 1$. (or whatever.)

and to

Decode ~~with~~: $g(i) = \hat{x}_{1:n}^{(i)}$.

Abbreviate: $C(x_{1:n}) = g_c(f_c(x_{1:n}))$.

(This defines a random code with rate R . Next task: show that ^{exp. dist.} of random code is small: $\bar{D} \leq \delta + 2\varepsilon$.)

Exp. Dist.: For fixed C , $D_c = E d(x_{1:n}, C(x_{1:n})) = \sum_{x_{1:n}} d(x_{1:n}, C(x_{1:n})) p(x_{1:n})$

(by defn of $T_\varepsilon^{(n)}$) $\rightarrow \leq \delta + \varepsilon \leq \delta + \varepsilon$ (by our choice of q)

$$= \sum_{\substack{x_{1:n} \text{ s.t. } (x_{1:n}, C(x_{1:n})) \in T_\varepsilon^{(n)}}} d(\dots) p(\dots) + \sum_{\substack{x_{1:n} \text{ s.t. } (x_{1:n}, C(x_{1:n})) \notin T_\varepsilon^{(n)}}} d(\dots) p(\dots)$$

$\leq \delta + \varepsilon$ $\leq d_{\max} \sum_{x_{1:n} \notin T} p(x_{1:n})$

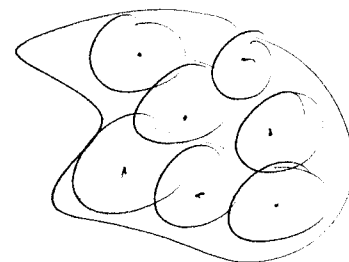
$$\Rightarrow \bar{D} := \sum_c D_c p(c) \leq (\delta + \varepsilon) + d_{\max} \sum_c \sum_{\substack{x_{1:n} \text{ s.t. } (x_{1:n}, C(x_{1:n})) \notin T}} p(x_{1:n}) p(c)$$

(Now, show that this prob. can be made arbitrarily small.)

since $x_{1:n} \perp C$

$$\sum_c \sum_{x_{1:n}} p(x_{1:n}) p(c) \mathbb{I}((x_{1:n}, C(x_{1:n})) \notin T) = \mathbb{P}((x_{1:n}, C(x_{1:n})) \notin T_\varepsilon^{(n)})$$

(Here is a heuristic argument — see text for rigorous pf.)



$$\mathbb{P}((X_{1:n}, \hat{X}_{1:n}) \notin T) = \mathbb{P}((X_{1:n}, \hat{X}_{1:n}^{(i)}) \notin T \quad \forall i=1, \dots, 2^{nR})$$

$$\approx \prod_{i=1}^{2^{nR}} \mathbb{P}((X_{1:n}, \hat{X}_{1:n}^{(i)}) \notin T) \approx (1 - 2^{-nI(X:\hat{X})})^{2^{nR}}$$

Not really correct...
but this is the ^{basic} idea.
(See text for details)

$$1 - \mathbb{P}((X_{1:n}, \hat{X}_{1:n}) \in T) \approx 1 - \frac{1}{2^{nI(X:\hat{X})}}$$

↑
Joint AEP (same pf works)

$$= \left(1 - \frac{2^{n(R-I)}}{2^{nR}}\right)^{2^{nR}} \approx e^{-2^{n(R-I)}} \xrightarrow{\text{as } n \rightarrow \infty} 0 \quad \text{since } R > I(X:\hat{X}).$$

↑
 $\lim (1 - \frac{a}{n})^n = e^{-a}$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{D} \leq (\delta + \epsilon) + d_{\max} e^{-2^{n(R-I)}} \leq \delta + 2\epsilon \text{ for } n \text{ suff. large.}$$

Since $\bar{D} = \sum_C D_C p(C)$, then there is at least one code C st. $D_C \leq \bar{D}$.

$\Rightarrow \exists C$ with rate R and $D_C \leq \delta + 2\epsilon. \Rightarrow (R, \delta)$ is achievable.

