

# PMI normalized between 0 and 1

Paolo Dragone

July 21, 2016

$$p(x) := \frac{\# \text{ of recipes containing } x}{\# \text{ of recipes}}$$

$$p(x, y) := \frac{\# \text{ of recipes containing } x \text{ and } y}{\# \text{ of recipes}}$$

$$\text{pmi}(x, y) := \log \frac{p(x, y)}{p(x)p(y)} = \log p(x, y) - \log(p(x)p(y))$$

$$\text{npmi}(x, y) := \frac{\text{pmi}(x, y)}{-\log p(x, y)}$$

The normalized pmi is between -1 and 1, where -1 is complete inoccurrence, 0 is independence and 1 is complete cooccurrence. To shift this measure between 0 and 1, sum 1 and divide by 2:

$$\text{npmi}_{0-1}(x, y) = \frac{\frac{\text{pmi}(x, y)}{-\log p(x, y)} + 1}{2} \quad (1)$$

$$= \frac{\log p(x, y) - \log(p(x)p(y)) - \log p(x, y)}{-2 \log p(x, y)} \quad (2)$$

$$= \frac{\log(p(x)p(y))}{2 \log p(x, y)} \quad (3)$$

If  $x$  and  $y$  never co-occur together, then

$$p(x, y) = 0 \quad (4)$$

$$\log p(x, y) = -\infty \quad (5)$$

which being at the denominator makes  $\text{npmi}_{0-1}(x, y) = 0$  in the limit.

If instead  $x$  and  $y$  always co-occur, then

$$p(x) = p(y) = p(x, y) \quad (6)$$

$$p(x)p(y) = p(x, y)^2 \quad (7)$$

$$\text{npmi}_{0-1}(x, y) = \frac{\log(p(x)p(y))}{\log p(x, y)^2} = 1 \quad (8)$$