

**Example.**

$$p = \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$q = \left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right)$$

$$D(p||q) = 0,207\dots$$

$$D(q||p) = 0,1887\dots$$

**Definition.** Let  $X, Y$  be two RVs, values in  $\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}$ . The mutual information of  $X$  and  $Y$  is

$$I(X; Y) = D(p_{X,Y} || p_X \otimes p_Y)$$

Recall  $p_{X,Y}(x, y) = \mathbb{P}[X = x, Y = y]$ .

$$p_X(x) = \mathbb{P}[X = x] = \sum_y p(x, y)$$

$$p_X \otimes p_Y(x, y) = p_X(x)p_Y(y)$$

Note: If  $X, Y$  are independent, then  $I(X; Y) = 0$ . We will see later that the converse is also true ( $I(X; Y) = 0 \implies X, Y$  are independent).

$$I(X; Y) = \sum_{x,y} p(x, y) \log_2 \frac{p(x, y)}{p_X(x)p_Y(y)}$$

$$= \sum_{x,y} p(x, y) \log_2 p(x, y) - \sum_x \underbrace{\sum_y p(x, y) \log_2 p_X(x)}_{=p_X(x)} - \sum_y \underbrace{\sum_x p(x, y) \log_2 p_Y(y)}_{=p_Y(y)}$$

$$= H(X) + H(Y) - H(X, Y)$$

**Lemma 0.1.**

$$I(X; Y) = H(X) + H(Y) - H(X, Y)$$

$$= H(X) - H(X|Y)$$

$$= H(Y) - H(Y|X)$$

$$I(X; X) = H(X) + H(X) - H(X, X)$$

$$= H(X)$$

since there is no new information from the second  $X$ :

$$p_{X,X}(x, x') = \mathbb{P}[X = x, X = x'] = \begin{cases} p_X(x) & , x = x' \\ 0 & , x \neq x' \end{cases}$$

**Definition** (Conditional mutual information).

$$I(X; Y|Z) = \sum_{z \in \mathcal{Z}} I(X; Y|Z = z)p_Z(z)$$

$$\dots = H(X|Z) - H(X|Y, Z)$$

$$= H(Y|Z) - H(Y|X, Z)$$

**Remark.**

$$p_{X,Y,Z}(x, y, z) = \mathbb{P}[X = x, Y = y, Z = z]$$

$$p_{X,Y|Z=z}(x, y) = \mathbb{P}[X = x, Y = y | Z = z] = \frac{p_{X,Y,Z}(x, y, z)}{p_Z(z)}$$

Recall chain rule:

$$H(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \sum_{k=1}^n H(X_k | X_{k-1}, \dots, X_1)$$

**Lemma 0.2** (Version of Chain rule).

$$I(X_1, \dots, X_n; Y) = \sum_{k=1}^n I(X_k; Y | X_{k-1}, \dots, X_1)$$

**Remark** (Recall from Analysis 1). Let  $I$  be an interval. A function  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is convex if

$$f(px + (1-p)y) \leq pf(x) + (1-p)f(y)$$

for all  $x, y \in I$  and all  $p \in (0, 1)$ .

A function  $f$  is called strictly convex if

$$f(px + (1-p)y) < pf(x) + (1-p)f(y)$$

for all  $x, y \in I$  and all  $p \in (0, 1)$ .

**Remark** (Theorem from Analysis 1). Let  $f$  be convex on an open interval  $I$ . Then

1.  $f$  continuous on  $I$
2. for all  $a \in I$  there exists  $f'(a-), f'(a+)$ , where  $a-, a+$  are differential ..., and  $f'(a-) \leq f'(a+)$
3. Let  $\alpha \in [f'(a-), f'(a+)]$ . Then

$$f(x) \geq f(a) + \alpha(x - a)$$

for all  $x \in I$  and in the strictly convex case

$$f(x) > f(a) + \alpha(x - a)$$

for all  $x \in I$  and  $x \neq a$ .

**Theorem 0.3** (Jensens's inequality). Let  $f$  be convex on an open interval  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$ . And let  $X$  be an  $I$ -valued random variable such that  $\underbrace{\mathbb{E}(X)}_{\in I}$  and  $\mathbb{E}(f(X))$  exist and are finite. Then

$$\mathbb{E}(f(X)) \geq f(\mathbb{E}(X)).$$

If  $f$  is strictly convex and  $X$  is not a.s. constant, then  $\mathbb{E}(f(X)) > f(\mathbb{E}(X))$ .

*Proof.* Set  $a = \mathbb{E}(X)$ ,  $\alpha \in [f'(a-), f'(a+)]$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} f(X) &\geq f(a) + \alpha(X - a) \\ \implies \mathbb{E}(f(X)) &\geq \mathbb{E}(f(a) + \alpha(X - a)) = f(a) + \alpha \underbrace{(\mathbb{E}(X) - a)}_{=0} = f(\mathbb{E}(X)) \end{aligned}$$

Let  $f$  be strictly convex and  $X$  not a.s. constant. Then

$$\mathbb{P}[X \neq a] = \mathbb{P}[\{\omega \in \Omega : X(\omega) = a\} \in \mathcal{A}] > 0$$

on  $A = \{\omega \in \Omega : X(\omega) = a\}$ ,

$$f(X) > f(a) + \alpha(X - a)$$

Thus,

$$\mathbb{E}(f(X)) > f(a).$$

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**Remark.**

$$\begin{aligned} Z &= f(X) - (f(a) + \alpha(X - a)) \\ Z &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

If  $\mathbb{E}(Z) = 0$ , then  $Z = 0$  a.s.

**Example.**  $A_n = [Z \geq \frac{1}{n}]$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}(Z) &\geq \mathbb{E}(Z \cdot \mathbb{1}_{A_n}) \\ &\geq \mathbb{E}\left(\frac{1}{n} \mathbb{1}_{A_n}\right) = \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{P}(A_n) \end{aligned}$$

$\mathbb{P}(A_n) = 0$  and  $A_n$  is monotone increasing

$$\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n = [Z > 0]$$

Thus,  $p[Z > 0] = 0$ .

In our case:  $\mathbb{E}(f(X)) = \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k)p_k$  and  $\mathbb{E}(X) = \sum_{k=1}^n x_k p_k$ .  $X$ : values  $x_k \in I$ ,  $\mathbb{P}[X = x_k] = p_k$  for  $k = 1, \dots, n$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n p_k f(x_k) \geq f\left(\sum_{k=1}^n p_k x_k\right)$$

**Example.** Prove the statement above

$$\sum_{k=1}^n p_k f(x_k) \geq f\left(\sum_{k=1}^n p_k x_k\right)$$

by induction.

**Theorem 0.4** (Information inequality). Let  $p(\cdot)$  and  $q(\cdot)$  be two probability distributions on  $\mathcal{X}$  (finite). Then  $D(p||q) \geq 0$  and  $D(p||q) = 0 \iff p(\cdot) = q(\cdot)$ .

*Proof.*  $-\log_2 : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is strictly convex.

$$D(p||q) = \mathbb{E}(-\log_2 \frac{q(X)}{p(X)})$$

The denominator  $p(X)$  is always positive a.s.

$$\mathbb{E}(-\log_2 \frac{q(X)}{p(X)}) \geq -\log_2 \mathbb{E}(\frac{q(X)}{p(X)}) \quad (1)$$

Consider

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}(\frac{q(X)}{p(X)}) &= \sum_{x:p(x)>0} p(x) \cdot \frac{q(x)}{p(x)} \\ &= \sum_{x:p(x)>0} q(x) \leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $-\log$  is monotone decreasing,

$$-\log_2 \mathbb{E}(\frac{q(X)}{p(X)}) \geq -\log_2(1) = 0$$

If  $D(p||q) = 0$ , then we have equality in 1 and ???. By ???,

$$\sum_{x:p(x)>0} q(x) = 1$$

If  $p(x) = 0$ , then  $q(x) = 0$ .

$\frac{q(X)}{p(X)} = C$  is constant,  $-\log_2 C = 0$  Then  $C = 1$  and  $p(x) = q(x)$  for all  $x$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 0.5.**  $I(X;Y) \geq 0$

$$I(X;Y) = 0 \iff X, Y \text{ are independent}$$

and  $H(X) \geq H(X|Y)$

$$H(X) = H(X|Y) \iff X, Y \text{ are independent}$$