

Sub- Information Theory and Coding (EC402)

Assignment-01

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Q.1 When is  $H(X|Y) = H(X)$ ?

Q2. Does Conditioning reduce entropy? Is  $H(X|Y) \leq H(X)$ ?

Q3. What is the minimum value of entropy?

Q4. Let  $(X, Y)$  have the following joint distribution

$Y \backslash X$	1	2	3	4
1	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{32}$
2	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{32}$
3	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{16}$
4	$\frac{1}{4}$	0	0	0

The marginal distribution of  $X$  is  $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{8})$  and the marginal distribution of  $Y$  is  $(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4})$ . Find out  $H(X)$ ,  $H(Y)$ ,  $H(X, Y)$ ,  $H(X|Y)$  and  $H(Y|X)$ .

Q5. Entropy of a function. Let  $X$  be a random variable taking on a finite number of values. What is the (general) inequality relationship of  $H(X)$  and  $H(Y)$  if

(a)  $Y = 2^X$ ?

(b)  $Y = \cos X$ ?

Q6. Give an example of joint random variable  $X$  and  $Y$  such that

(i)  $H(Y|X=x) < H(Y)$

(ii)  $H(Y|X=x) > H(Y)$

Q7. Give an example of joint random variables  $X$ ,  $Y$  and  $Z$  such that

(i)  $I(X; Y|Z) < I(X; Y)$

(ii)  $I(X; Y|Z) > I(X; Y)$

Q8. Consider a discrete memoryless channel with inputs  $X$  and outputs  $Y$ . The input  $X$  takes value from a ternary set with equal probability and it is known that the probability of error is for the system is  $p$ . Using Fano's lemma, find a lower bound to that mutual information  $I(X; Y)$  as a function of  $p$ .

Q9. Let  $p(x, y)$  be given as

$X \backslash Y$	0	1
0	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{3}$
1	0	$\frac{1}{3}$

Find:

- (a)  $H(X)$  and  $H(Y)$
- (b)  $H(X|Y)$ ,  $H(Y|X)$
- (c)  $H(X, Y)$
- (d)  $H(Y) - H(Y|X)$
- (e)  $I(X;Y)$
- (f) Draw a Venn diagram for the quantities in parts (a) through (e).

Q10. Let the random variable  $X$  have three possible outcomes  $\{a, b, c\}$ . Consider two distributions on this random variable:

Symbol	$p(x)$	$q(x)$
a	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{3}$
b	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{3}$
c	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{3}$

Calculate  $H(p)$ ,  $H(q)$ ,  $D(p||q)$ , and  $D(q||p)$ . Verify that in this case, relative entropy is not symmetric.

Q11. Prove that the entropy for a discrete source is a maximum when the output symbols are equally probable.

Q12. Consider tossing of a coin. Let  $X$  be a random variable which denotes number of tosses required until the first 'head' appears. Find

- i) Entropy  $H(X)$  with a fair coin.
- ii) Entropy  $H(X)$  with an unfair coin with  $p$  as probability of occurring a head.

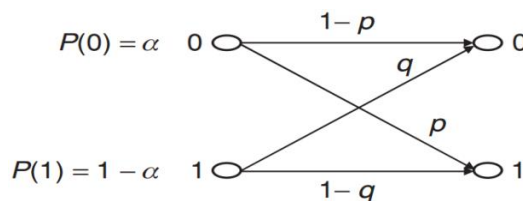
Q13. Let a random variable  $X$  with probability mass function as

$$P(x) = \begin{cases} 1/4, & x = 0, 1 \\ 1/2, & x = 2 \end{cases}$$

$Y$  and  $Z$  are two random variables generated as follows. When  $X = 0$ , we have  $Y = Z = 0$ ; For  $X = 1$ , then  $Y = 1$ ,  $Z = 0$ ; when  $X = 2$ , we have  $Z = 1$  while  $Y$  is randomly chosen from 0 and 1 with equal probability. Find the values of the following quantities:  $H(X)$ ,  $H(Y)$ ,  $H(Z)$ ,  $H(Y|X)$ ,  $H(X, Y)$ ,  $H(X|Y)$ ,  $H(X, Z)$ ,  $H(X|Z)$ ,  $H(Y, Z)$ ,  $H(Z|Y)$ .

Q14. The below figure shows a non-symmetric binary channel. Prove that in this case

$$I(X, Y) = \Omega[q + (1-p-q)\alpha] - \alpha\Omega(p) - (1-\alpha)\Omega(q) \text{ where the function } \Omega(p) = p \log_2 \frac{1}{p} + (1-p) \log_2 \frac{1}{1-p}.$$



Q15. Consider a 1<sup>st</sup> order Markov source having three symbols. The transition probabilities are given as

$$p(s_j|s_i) = \frac{p}{2} \text{ for } i \neq j$$

- (a) Sketch the state diagram

- (b) determine the probabilities of the symbols
- (c) Determine amount of information with respect to an arbitrary transition.
- (d) Determine the value of  $p$  for which this amount of information i.e.  $H(s_2|s_1)$  achieves a maximum.
- (e) Find maximum value of  $H(s_2|s_1)$ .

Q16.

**Entropy of a sum.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be random variables that take on values  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_r$  and  $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_s$ , respectively. Let  $Z = X + Y$ .

- (a) Show that  $H(Z|X) = H(Y|X)$ . Argue that if  $X, Y$  are independent, then  $H(Y) \leq H(Z)$  and  $H(X) \leq H(Z)$ . Thus the addition of *independent* random variables adds uncertainty.
- (b) Give an example (of necessarily dependent random variables) in which  $H(X) > H(Z)$  and  $H(Y) > H(Z)$ .
- (c) Under what conditions does  $H(Z) = H(X) + H(Y)$ ?

Q17. Prove that

$$I(X; Z|Y) = I(Z; Y|X) - I(Z; Y) + I(X; Z)$$

Where  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  are joint random variables.

Q18. Determine the redundancy  $R$  of source,  $S = \{a, b, c, d\}$  with probabilities  $p(a) = 0.5, p(b) = 0.25, p(c) = p(d) = 0.125$ .