

Tutorial - 3

Information &
Communication

Solutions

PROBLEM - I (chain rule and mutual information)

The conditional mutual information of random variables X and Y given Z is defined by

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

(a) Prove that (Chain Rule for Mutual Information)

$$I(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n; Y) = \sum_{i=1}^n I(X_i; Y | X_{i-1}, X_{i-2}, \dots, X_1)$$

(b) Prove that

$$I(X; Y | Z) \geq 0$$

with equality if and only if

$$p(x|z) \cdot p(y|z) = p(x, y|z)$$

(c) Suppose if

$$p(x, y, z) = p(x) \cdot p(y|x) \cdot p(z|y)$$

then prove that

$$I(X; Y) \geq I(X; Z)$$

Solution - I

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

$$(a) \quad \text{L.H.S.} = I(\overbrace{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n}^{\text{Chain Rule}}; Y)$$

$$\text{Chain Rule} \quad \Bigg| \quad = H(X_1, \dots, X_n) - H(X_1, \dots, X_n | Y)$$

$$\text{For Entropy} \quad \Bigg| \quad = \sum_{i=1}^n H(X_i | X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}) - \sum_{i=1}^n H(X_i | Y, X_1, \dots, X_{i-1})$$

$$\text{Conditional} \quad \Bigg| \quad = \sum_{i=1}^n H(\underbrace{X_i | X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}}_{\text{Mutual Information}}) - H(\underbrace{X_i | Y, X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}}_{\text{Mutual Information}})$$

$$\text{Information} \quad \Bigg| \quad = \sum_{i=1}^n I(X_i; Y, X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}) = \text{R.H.S.}$$

Hence proved

$$(b) \quad I(X; Y | Z) \geq 0$$

$$\text{L.H.S.} = H(X|Z) - H(X|Y, Z)$$

$$\text{Lecture Exercise} \quad \Bigg| \quad I(X; Y) = D(p(x, y) || p(x) \cdot p(y)) \geq 0$$

Hint: Write Conditional Mutual Information in terms of Relative Entropy

$$p(y) \cdot p(y|m)$$

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

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \boxed{H(A|B)} \\
 & = \sum_{a,b} p(a,b) \cdot \log \frac{1}{p(a|b)} \\
 & = \sum_{n \in \mathcal{X}} \sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} p(n,y) \left(\log \frac{1}{p(n,y)} - \log \frac{1}{p(n|y)} - \log \frac{1}{p(y|n)} \right) \\
 & = \sum_{n \in \mathcal{X}} \sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} p(n,y) \log \left(\frac{p(n|y)p(y|n)}{p(n,y)} \right) \quad \text{Valid p.d. in } \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \sum_{n \in \mathcal{X}} \sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} p(n,y) \log \left(\frac{p(n,y)}{p(n) \cdot p(y)} \right)$$

$$= D(p(n,y) || p(n) \cdot p(y)) \geq 0$$

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

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \boxed{H(A|B)} \\
 & = \sum_{a,b} p(a,b) \cdot \log \frac{1}{p(a|b)} \\
 & = \sum_{n,y,z} p(n,y,z) \left(\log \frac{1}{p(n,y|z)} - \log \frac{1}{p(y|n,z)} - \log \frac{1}{p(n|y,z)} \right) \\
 & = \sum_{n,y,z} p(n,y,z) \log \left(\frac{p(y|n,z)p(n|y,z)}{p(n,y|z)} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \sum_{n,y,z} p(n,y,z) \log \left(\frac{p(n,y,z) \cdot \cancel{p(n,y,z)} \cdot p(z)}{p(n,z) \cdot p(y,z) \cdot \cancel{p(n,y,z)}} \right)$$

$$= \sum_{n,y,z} p(n,y,z) \log \left(\underbrace{\frac{p(n,y,z)}{p(n,z) \cdot p(y,z)}}_{\text{valid p.d. in } X,Y,Z} \right)$$

$$= D(p(n,y,z) \parallel p(n,z) \cdot p(y,z)) \geq 0$$

Equality holds iff

$$p(n,y,z) = p(n,z) \cdot p(y,z)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{p(n,y|z) = p(n|z) \cdot p(y|z)}$$

Therefore

$$I(X;Y|Z) \geq 0$$

and equality holds iff

$$p(n,z) \cdot p(y,z) = p(n,y,z)$$

Hence proved

(C) Given: $p(x, y, z) = p(x) \cdot p(y|x) \cdot p(z|y)$ — (i)

To prove: $I(X; Y) \geq I(X; Z)$

Chain Rule

$p(x, y, z) = p(x) \cdot p(y|x) \cdot p(z|y, x)$ — (ii)

(i) and (ii) imply

$p(z|y, x) = p(z|y)$
 $\Rightarrow p(x|y, z) = p(x|y)$

conditional independence

Given Y
 X and Z are independent

Intuitively: $I(X; Z|Y) = 0$

Given Y
 Z contains no additional information about X

$H(X|Y) - H(X|Z, Y)$
 $= 0$ True

$$\begin{aligned} & I(X; Y) - I(X; Z) \\ = & H(X) - H(X|Y) - H(X) + H(X|Z) \\ = & H(X|Z) - H(X|Y) \\ = & H(X|Z) - H(X|Z, Y) \\ = & I(X; Y|Z) \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Hence proved

Problem - II (Functions of Random Variables)

- (a) Let X and Y be two random variables on the set of non-negative integers. Show that if $Y = 2X$ then

$$H(X|Y) = H(Y|X) = 0$$

- (b) Let $Y = g(X)$ for some function g . Show that $H(Y|X) = 0$. Under what conditions on g is $H(X|Y)$ also $= 0$? Analyze

$$\text{Supp}(P_{X,Y}) = \mathbb{Z}_+$$

- (c) Let X and Y be two random variables. Let E be a random variable defined as

$$E = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } Y = X \\ 1 & \text{if } Y \neq X \end{cases}$$

Prove that

$$H(E|X, Y) = 0$$

(a) given: $Y = 2X$

To Show: $H(Y|X) = H(X|Y) = 0$

Intuitively: Given X
 Y is completely known

$Y = 2X$
 $\Rightarrow X = \frac{Y}{2}$ \therefore Given Y
 X is completely known

$Y = 2X$ | X completely determines Y

$$P(Y=y|X=n) = \begin{cases} 1 & y=2n \\ 0 & y \neq 2n \end{cases}$$

$$H(Y|X) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_+} P(X=n) \sum_{y \in \mathbb{Z}_+} P(Y=y|X=n) \log \frac{1}{P(Y=y|X=n)} = 0$$

$X = \frac{Y}{2}$ | Y completely determines X

$$P(X=n|Y=y) = \begin{cases} 1 & n=y/2 \\ 0 & n \neq y/2 \end{cases}$$

$$H(X|Y) = \sum_{y \in \mathbb{Z}_+} P(Y=y) \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_+} P(X=n|Y=y) \log \frac{1}{P(X=n|Y=y)} = 0$$

b) Given : $Y = g(X)$

To Show : $H(Y|X) = 0$

Intuitively: Given X
 Y is completely known

$Y = g(X)$ | X completely determines Y

$$p(Y=y|X=n) = \begin{cases} 1 & y = g(n) \\ 0 & y \neq g(n) \end{cases}$$

$$H(Y|X) = \sum_{n, y \in \text{Supp}(p_{Y,X})} p(X=n) \cdot p(Y=y|X=n) \log \frac{1}{p(Y=y|X=n)} = 0$$

Conditions on g such that $H(X|Y) = 0$

Intuitively: g should be a bijective function

To show: $H(X|Y) = 0$ if and only if
 g is a bijective function

If part: easy to check

Only if part:

$$H(X|Y) = \sum_{y \in \mathbb{Z}_+} p(Y=y) H(X|Y=y)$$

$$\forall y \quad \text{s.t.} \quad P(Y=y) > 0$$

$$H(X|Y) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow p(n|y) \log p(n|y) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow p(n|y) \in \{0, 1\}$$

$$\text{Whenever } p(n|y) = 1$$

$$\text{Let } n = f(y)$$

$$\text{If } n' \neq f(y)$$

$$\text{then } p(n'|y) = 0$$

$$\sum_{n \in \mathcal{X}} p(n|y) = 1$$

\therefore For each y
there will be
only one such n

Whenever $p(y) = 0$ assign arbitrary
value in \mathbb{Z}_+ to $f(y)$.

$\therefore X$ is completely determined by Y

$$\Leftrightarrow X = f(Y)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow X = f(g(X))$$

$$\therefore g^{-1} \text{ exist if } H(X|Y) = 0$$

$$\therefore g \text{ is a bijective function if } H(X|Y) = 0$$

Problem - 3 (chain rule)

Let $\{X_i, 1 \leq i \leq 3\}$ be uniform random variables over $\{0, 1\}$. Let Y be a uniform random variable over $\{0, 1\}$.

X_1, X_2 X_3, Y	$X_1 = 0$ $X_2 = 0$	$X_1 = 0$ $X_2 = 1$	$X_1 = 1$ $Y = 0$	$X_1 = 1$ $X_2 = 1$
$X_3 = 0$ $Y = 0$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{64}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{64}$
$X_3 = 0$ $Y = 1$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{64}$
$X_3 = 1$ $Y = 0$	$\frac{1}{64}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{8}$
$X_3 = 1$ $Y = 1$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{4}$

check if

(a) $H(X_1, X_2, X_3) = H(X_1) + H(X_2|X_1) + H(X_3|X_2, X_1)$

(b) $H(X_1, X_2, X_3|Y) = H(X_1|Y) + H(X_2|X_1, Y) + H(X_3|X_2, X_1, Y)$