MTHE 474 Notes

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1 Chapter 2 Topics

1.1 Information Measures for Discrete Systems

1.1.1 Definitions

- **Definition 2.2:** Entropy of discrete random variable X with pmf $P_X(*)$ is defined as

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- **Definition 2.8 (Joint entropy):**

$$H(X,Y) := -\sum_{(x,y) \in \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}} P_{X,Y}(x,y) * \log_2 P_{(X,Y)}(x,y)$$

- **Definition 2.9 (Conditional entropy):**

$$H(Y|X) := \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} P_X(x)(-\sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} P_{Y|X}(y|x) * \log_2 P_{Y|X}(y|x))$$

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1.1.2 Lemmas/Theorems

- **Lemma 2.4 (Fundamental Inequality):** $\forall\ x > 0$ and $D > 1$ we have

$$\log_D (x) \leq \log_D e * (x-1)$$

- **Lemma 2.5 (Non-negativity):** $H(X) \geq 0$
- **Lemma 2.6 (Entropy Upper-Bound):** $H(X) \leq \log_2 |\mathcal{X}|$ where random variable X takes values from finite set $\mathcal{X}$
- **Lemma 2.7 (Log-Sum inequality):** For nonnegative numbers, $a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_n$ and $b_1, b_2, \ldots, b_n$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} (a_i \log_D \frac{a_i}{b_i}) \leq (\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i) \log_D \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i}$$

  with equality iff for all $i = 1, \ldots, n$

$$\frac{a_i}{b_i} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n} a_j}{\sum_{j=1}^{n} b_j}$$

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- **Theorem 2.10 (Chain rule for entropy):** $H(X,Y) = H(X) + H(Y|X)$
- **Theorem 2.12 (Conditioning never increases entropy):** $H(X|Y) \leq H(X)$ with equality holding iff X and Y are independent
- **Lemma 2.13 (Entropy is additive for independent RVs):** For independent X, Y

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

- **Lemma 2.14 (Conditional entropy is lower additive):** $H(X_1, X_2|Y_1, Y_2) \leq H(X_1|Y_1) + H(X_2|Y_2)$ with equality holding iff

$$P_{X_1,X_2|Y_1,Y_2}(x_1, x_2|y_1, y_2) = P_{X_1|Y_1}(x_1|y_1) P_{X_2|Y_2}(x_2|y_2)$$

  for all x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2

1.2 Mutual Information

1.2.1 Definitions

- **Definition 2.2.1 (Mutual Information):**

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

- **Definition 2.2.2 (Conditional Mutual Information):**

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

1.2.2 Lemmas

- **Lemma 2.15 (Properties of Mutual Information):**

$$1.\ I(X;Y) = \sum_{x\in\mathcal{X}}\sum_{y\in\mathcal{Y}} P_{X,Y}(x,y)\log_2\frac{P_{X,Y}(x,y)}{P_X(x)P_Y(y)} \tag{1}$$
$$2.\ I(X;Y) = I(Y;X) = H(Y) - H(Y|X) \tag{2}$$
$$3.\ I(X;Y) = H(X) + H(Y) - H(X,Y) \tag{3}$$
$$4.\ I(X;Y) \le H(X) \text{ equality iff X is a function of Y} \tag{4}$$
$$5.\ I(X;Y) \le 0 \text{ with equality iff X and Y are independent} \tag{5}$$
$$6.\ I(X;Y) \le \min\{\log_2|\mathcal{X}|, \log_2|\mathcal{Y}|\} \tag{6}$$

- **Lemma 2.16 (Chain Rule for Mutual Information):**

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

- **Theorem 2.17 (Chain Rule for entropy):** $X^n := (X_1,\ldots,X_n)$ and $x^n := (x_1,\ldots,x_n)$

$$H(X^n) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} H(X_i|X^{i-1})$$

- **Theorem 2.18 (Chain Rule for conditional entropy):**

$$H(X_1,X_2,\ldots,X_n|Y) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} H(X_i|X_{i-1},\ldots,X_1,Y)$$

- **Theorem 2.19 (Chain Rule for Mutual information):**

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

Where $I(X_i;Y|X_{i-1},\ldots,X_1) := I(X_1,Y)$ for $i = 1$

1.3 Conditional Divergence

1.3.1 Definitions

- **Definition 2.29 (Divergence):** Given 2 discrete random variables X and $\hat{x}$ defined over common alphabet $\mathcal{X}$ divergence is defined by,

$$D(X||\hat{X}) := E_x[\log_2\frac{P_X(X)}{P_{\hat{X}}(X)}] = \sum_{x\in\mathcal{X}} P_X(x)\log_2\frac{P_X(x)}{P_{\hat{X}}(x)}$$

1.3.2 Theorems

- **Lemma 2.30 (Nonnegativity of Divergence):** $D(X||\hat{X}) \ge 0$, with equality iff $P_X(x) = P_{\hat{X}}(x)$ for all $x \in \mathcal{X}$

1.4 Data Processing Inequality

1.4.1 Definitions

- **Lecture 7 Definition (Markov Chain):** Three jointly distributed random variables X, Y, Z are said to form a Markov Chain (in that order), denoted by $X \to Y \to Z$
  if:
  $$P_{XZ|Y}(x, y|z) = P_{X|Y}(x|y)P_{Z|Y}(z, y) \iff P_{Z|XY}(z|x, y) = P_{Z|Y}(z|y)$$

  $\forall x \in X, y \in Y, z \in Z$

1.4.2 Theorems

- **Lecture 7 Theorem (Data Processing Inequality):** If $X \to Y \to Z$, then
  $$I(X;Y) \leq I(X;Z)$$
  - Another way to think of this is that the futher the RVs are along the markov chain, the less relevant the RVs are with eachother and the less information we get
- **Lecture 8 Theorem (DPI for Divergence):** Given fixed conditional PMF $P_{Y|X}$ on $y \times x$, which describes a channel with input x and output y, let P_x and q_x be 2 possible PMFs for input x with corresponding output PMFs P_y and q_y respectively, then
  $$D(P_x||q_x) \leq D(P_y||q_y)$$

1.5 Convex/Concavity of Information Measures

1.5.1 Definitions

- **Lecture 6 Definition (Convex Set):**

  A subset K of $\mathbb{R}$ is called convex if the line segment joining any two points in K also lies in K

- **Lecture 6 Definition (Convex Function):** The function $f : k \to \mathbb{R}$ where k is a convex subset of $\mathbb{R}^n$, is called convex on k if $\forall x_1, x_2 \in k$ and $\lambda \in [0, 1]$,
  $$f(\lambda x_1 + (1 - \lambda)x_2) \leq \lambda f(x_1) + (1 - \lambda)f(x_2)$$
  Strict equality holds whenever $x_1 \neq x_2$ and $0 < \lambda < 1$ then f is called strictly convex
- **Lecture 6 Definition (Concave Function):** $f : k \to \mathbb{R}$ is concave on k (where $k \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is a concave subset) if $-f$ is convex. In other words: if $\forall x_1, x_2 \in k$ and $\lambda \in [0, 1]$,
  $$f(\lambda x_1 + (1 - \lambda)x_2) \geq \lambda f(x_1) + (1 - \lambda)f(x_2)$$

1.5.2 Theorems

- **Lecture 6 Theorem (Jensen's Inequality):** Let $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ (where K is a convex set?) and let $f : k \to \mathbb{R}$ be a convex function. Also let x be a RV with alphabet $\mathcal{X} \subseteq k$ and finite mean, then
  $$E[f(x)] \leq f(E[x])$$
  Also if f is strictly convex, then the inequality is strict unless x is deterministic
- **Lecture 7 Theorem (Convexity/Concavity of Information Measures):**
  i. $D(p||q)$ is convex in the pair (p, q) (ie: if p_1, q_1 and p_2, q_2 are two pairs of PMFs defined on $\mathcal{X}$) then:
  $$D(\lambda p_1 + (1 - \lambda)p_2||\lambda q_1 + (1 - \lambda)q_2) \leq \lambda D(p_1||q_1) + (1 - \lambda)D(p_2||q_2)$$
  $\forall \lambda \in [0, 1]$

  ii. if x P_x, then
  $$H(x) = H(p_x) \text{ is concave in } P_x$$

  iii. If (x, y) $P_X P_{Y|X}$, then $I(X;Y) = I(P_X, P_{Y|X})$ is concave in P_X for fixed $P_{Y|X}$ and convex in $P_{Y|X}$ for fixed P_X

2 Tutorial Proofs

2.1 Week 2 Tutorial

- Given 2 discrete RVs, X, Y we have that

$$H(Y|X) = 0 \iff \text{Y is a function of X}$$

- Given RV X with alphabet $\mathcal{X}$ and function $f : x \to \mathbb{R}$

$$H(X) \leq H(f(X))$$