

ECE 612, Information Theory

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Preliminaries

Definition 0.1. The normal distribution $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ has the probability density function

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2\right)$$

Definition 0.2. The joint normal distribution $N(\mu, K)$ is defined by probability density function:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^n \det(K)}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \mu)^\top K^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \mu)\right)$$

1 Entropy, mutual information, divergence

2 Entropy rate

3 Asymptotic equipartition property

4 Data compressions

5 Channel capacity

6 Differential entropy

Theorem 6.1 (Differential entropy of Gaussian distribution). Let X be Gaussian $N(0, \sigma^2)$, then

$$h(X) = \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi e \sigma^2)$$

Theorem 6.2. Let \mathbf{X} follow joint Gaussian distribution $N(\mathbf{0}, K)$, then:

$$h(\mathbf{X}) = \frac{1}{2} \log((2\pi e)^n \det K)$$

7 Gaussian channel

Definition 7.1 (Gaussian channel with power constraint).

Definition 7.2 (Information channel capacity).

Theorem 7.1. The information channel capacity of a Gaussian channel is

$$\max_{f_X: E[X^2] \leq P} I(X; Y) = \frac{1}{2} \log\left(1 + \frac{P}{\sigma^2}\right) \quad (1)$$

Where P is the power constraint, and σ^2 is the variance of the Gaussian noise. The maximum is achieved when X follows Gaussian distribution $X \stackrel{s}{\leftarrow} N(0, P)$

8 Rate distortion theory