

# 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:

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

**Theorem 0.1** (Joint normality implies marginal normality). If  $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$  follows a joint normal distribution, then any linear combination of  $\mathbf{X}$  follows normal distribution.

## 1 Entropy, mutual information, divergence

**Theorem 1.1** (Fano's inequality). Let  $X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow \hat{X}$  represent an encode-decode process, where  $X, \hat{X} \in \mathcal{X}$  have the same support. Let  $e$  denote decoding error  $\hat{X} \neq X$ , then:

$$H(X | Y) \leq H(P_e) + P_e \log(|\mathcal{X}|)$$

## 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** (Information channel capacity). Let  $Y = X + Z$ , where  $Z \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} N(0, \sigma^2)$  and  $E[X^2] \leq P$  for some power level constraint  $P$ . The **information channel capacity** is defined by

$$C^I = \max_{f_X: E[X^2] \leq P} I(X; Y)$$

**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  $\sigma^2$  is the variance of the Gaussian noise. The maximum is achieved when  $X$  follows Gaussian distribution  $X \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} N(0, P)$

## 8 Rate distortion theory