

Lecture 4: Gaussian channel. Multi-user channels.

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Definition

Let X be a random variable with cumulative distribution function $F(x) = \Pr(X \leq x)$. If $F(x)$ is continuous, the random variable is said to be continuous. Let $f(x) = F'(x)$ when the derivative is defined, $f(x)$ is called the probability density function for X . The set where $f(x) > 0$ is called the support set of X .

Definition

The differential entropy $h(X)$ of a continuous random variable X with a density $f(x)$ is defined as

$$h(X) = - \int_S f(x) \log f(x) dx,$$

where S is a support of X .

- $D(f||g) = \int f \log \frac{f}{g} \geq 0$
- $h(X|Y) \leq h(X)$
- $h(aX) = h(X) + \log |a|$
- $I(X; Y) = \int f(x, y) \log \frac{f(x, y)}{f(x)f(y)} \geq 0$

Example

Let $X \sim \phi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$.

$$\begin{aligned}h(X) &= - \int \phi \ln \phi \\&= - \int \phi(x) \left[-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2} - \ln \sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2} \right] dx \\&= \frac{\mathbb{E}[X^2]}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{1}{2} \ln 2\pi\sigma^2 \\&= \frac{1}{2} \ln 2\pi e\sigma^2 \text{ nats.}\end{aligned}$$

Example

Let

$$\mathbf{X} = [X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n],$$

have a multivariate normal distribution with mean

$$\mu = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{X}] = [\mathbb{E}[X_1], \mathbb{E}[X_2], \dots, \mathbb{E}[X_n]]$$

and a covariance matrix

$$K = \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{X} - \mu)(\mathbf{X} - \mu)^T],$$

i.e

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}^n \text{sqrt}|K|} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \mu)^T K^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \mu) \right).$$

Example

$$\begin{aligned}h(\mathbf{X}) &= - \int f(\mathbf{x}) \left[-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \mu)^T K^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \mu) - \ln \sqrt{2\pi}^n \sqrt{|K|} \right] d\mathbf{x} \\&= \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E} \left[\sum_{i,j} (x_i - \mu_i)^T K_{i,j}^{-1} (x_j - \mu_j) \right] + \frac{1}{2} \ln(2\pi)^n |K| \\&= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} \mathbb{E} \left[(x_i - \mu_i)^T (x_j - \mu_j) \right] K_{i,j}^{-1} + \frac{1}{2} \ln(2\pi)^n |K| \\&= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} K_{j,i} K_{i,j}^{-1} + \frac{1}{2} \ln(2\pi)^n |K| \\&= \frac{n}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \ln(2\pi)^n |K| = \frac{1}{2} \ln(2\pi e)^n |K| \text{ nats.}\end{aligned}$$

Multivariate normal distribution maximizes the entropy

Theorem

Let the random vector $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ have zero mean and covariance $K = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}^T]$, i.e. $K_{i,j} = \mathbb{E}[X_i X_j]$. Then

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

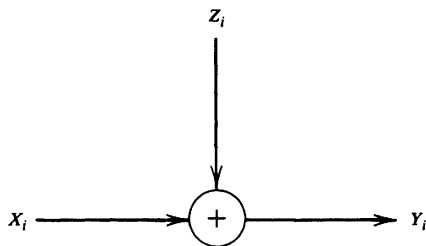
with equality iff $\mathbf{X} \sim N(0, K)$.

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq D(g||\phi) &= \int g \log \frac{g}{\phi} = -h(g) - \int g \log \phi \\ &= -h(g) - \int \phi \log \phi = -h(g) + h(\phi). \end{aligned}$$



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$$Y_i = X_i + Z_i, \quad Z_i \sim N(0, N).$$

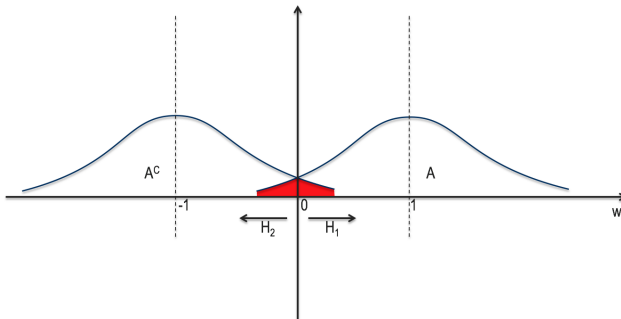
Energy or power constraint

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \leq P.$$

$$SNR = \frac{P}{N} \quad (\text{linear scale})$$

$$SNR = 10 \log_{10} \frac{P}{N} \quad (\text{dB})$$

Assume that we want to send 1 bit over the channel in 1 use of the channel. Given the power constraint, the best that we can do is to send one of two levels $+\sqrt{P}$ and $-\sqrt{P}$.



$$\begin{aligned}P_e &= \Pr(Y > 0|X = -\sqrt{P})\frac{1}{2} + \Pr(Y < 0|X = +\sqrt{P})\frac{1}{2} \\&= \Pr(Z > \sqrt{P}) = 1 - \Phi(\sqrt{SNR}) = Q(\sqrt{SNR}).\end{aligned}$$

Recall, that

$$Q(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_x^{+\infty} \exp(-x^2/2).$$

Using such a scheme, we have converted the Gaussian channel into a BSC with crossover probability P_e .

Assume again, that 0 is sent with the level $+\sqrt{P}$ and 0 is sent with the level $-\sqrt{P}$. Let us calculate the log likelihood ratio given y

$$\begin{aligned} LLR &= \log \frac{\Pr(X = +\sqrt{P}|y)}{\Pr(X = -\sqrt{P}|y)} \\ &= \log \frac{\Pr(y|X = +\sqrt{P}) \Pr(X = +\sqrt{P}) \Pr(y)}{\Pr(y|X = -\sqrt{P}) \Pr(X = \sqrt{P}) \Pr(y)} \\ &= \log \frac{f(y|+\sqrt{P})}{f(y|-\sqrt{P})} \\ &= \frac{(y + \sqrt{P})^2 - (y - \sqrt{P})^2}{2\sigma^2} \\ &= \frac{2\sqrt{P}}{\sigma^2} y \end{aligned}$$

Definition

The information capacity of the Gaussian channel with power constraint P is

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

Theorem

$$C = \frac{1}{2} \log(1 + SNR).$$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} I(X; Y) &= h(Y) - h(Y|X) \\ &= h(Y) - h(X + Z|X) \\ &= h(Y) - h(Z|X) \\ &= h(Y) - h(Z) \\ &= h(Y) - \frac{1}{2} \log 2\pi e N \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbb{E}[Y^2] = \mathbb{E}[(X + Z)^2] = \mathbb{E}[X^2] + \mathbb{E}[Z^2] + 2\mathbb{E}[X]\mathbb{E}[Z] = P + N$$

Thus,

$$h(Y) = \frac{1}{2} \log 2\pi e(P + N).$$



Definition (Code)

An (M, n) code consists of the following:

- message set $\{1, 2, \dots, M\}$;
- encoding function $enc: \{1, 2, \dots, M\} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}^n$;

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 \leq P.$$

- decoding function $dec: \mathcal{Y}^n \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, M\}$.

Definition (Probability of error)

$$\lambda_i = \Pr(\text{dec}(Y^n) \neq i | X^n = X^n(i)).$$

$$\lambda^{(n)} = \max_{i \in \{1, 2, \dots, M\}} \lambda_i$$

$$P_e^{(n)} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M \lambda_i$$

Definition

A rate R of (M, n) code is

$$R = \frac{\log M}{n}.$$

Definition

A rate R is achievable if there exists a sequence of $(2^{Rn}, n)$ codes, such that $\lambda^{(n)} \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Definition

The capacity Gaussian channel is the supremum of all achievable rates.

Definition (Ensemble of codes)

$$\mathcal{C} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1(1) & x_2(1) & \dots & x_n(1) \\ x_1(2) & x_2(2) & \dots & x_n(2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_1(2^{Rn}) & x_2(2^{Rn}) & \dots & x_n(2^{Rn}) \end{bmatrix}$$

We generate the codewords with each element i.i.d. according to a normal distribution with variance $P - \varepsilon$.

The receiver declares, that the index \hat{W} was transmitted if the following conditions are satisfied:

- the pair $(X^n(\hat{W}), Y^n)$ is jointly typical;
- there is no other index i , such that $(X^n(i), Y^n)$ is jointly typical.

Define

$$E_0 = \left\{ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 > P \right\}$$

and

$$E_i = \{(X^n(i), Y^n) \in A_\varepsilon^n\}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(\mathcal{E} | W = 1) &\leq \Pr(E_0) + \Pr(E_1^c) + \sum_{i=2}^{2^{Rn}} \Pr(E_i) \\ &\leq 2\varepsilon + (2^{Rn} - 1) 2^{-n[I(X;Y) - 3\varepsilon]} \end{aligned}$$

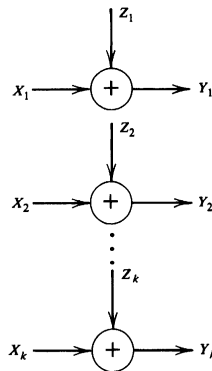
Thus, if $R < I(X; Y)$ we can choose ε and n , such that $\Pr(\mathcal{E})$ less, then ε' .

Parallel Gaussian channels

$$Y_j = X_j + Z_j, j = 1, 2, \dots, k$$

$$Z_j \sim N(0, N_j)$$

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\sum_{i=1}^k X_i^2 \right] \leq P$$



We wish to distribute the power among the various channels so as to maximize the total capacity.

$$I(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k; Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_k) \leq \sum_i \frac{1}{2} \log \left(1 + \frac{P_i}{N_i} \right),$$

where $P_i = \mathbb{E}[X_i]$ and $\sum P_i = P$.

So the problem is reduced to finding the power allotment that maximizes the capacity subject to the constraint that $\sum P_i = P$.

$$J(P_1, P_2, \dots, P_k) = \sum_i \frac{1}{2} \log \left(1 + \frac{P_i}{N_i} \right) + \lambda \sum P_i$$

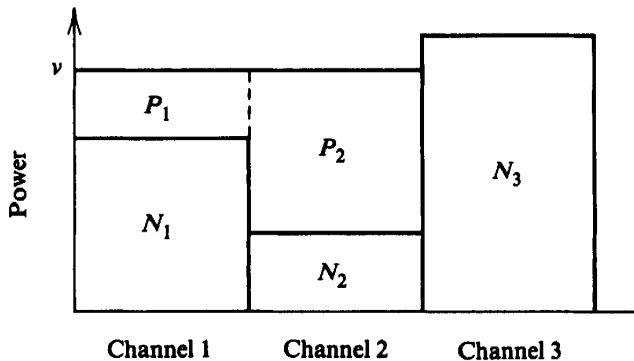
and differentiating with respect to P_i , we have

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{P_i + N_i} + \lambda = 0$$

or

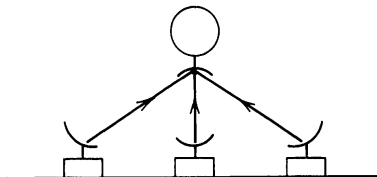
$$P_i = (\nu - N_i)^+$$

Analogy to water filling

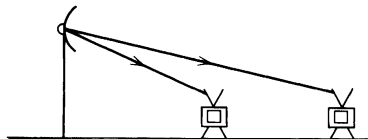


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Multi-user channels

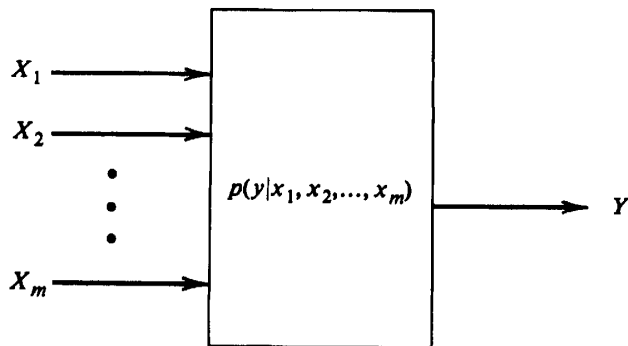


(a) Multiple access channel (MAC)



(b) Broadcast channel

m -user Multiple access channel



Let $S \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$, $R(S) = \sum_{i \in S} R_i$ and $X(S) = \{X(i), i \in S\}$.

Theorem

The capacity region of the m -user multiple access channel is the closure of the convex hull of the rate vectors satisfying

$$R(S) \leq I(X(S); Y | X(S^c)) \quad \forall S \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, m\}.$$

for some product distribution $P_1(x_1)P_2(x_2) \dots P_m(x_m)$.

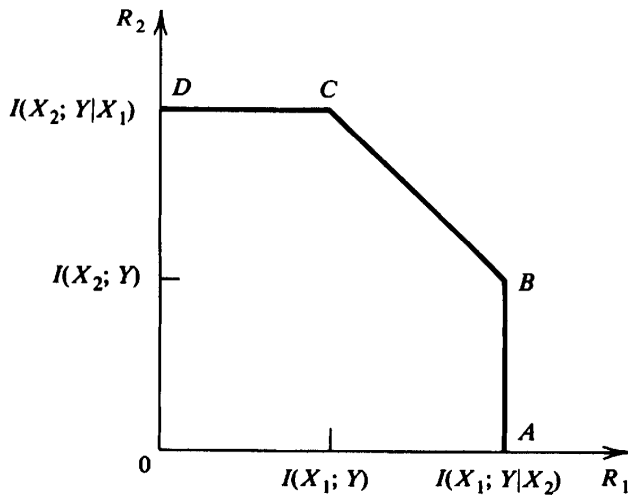
2-user Multiple access channel

$$R_1 \leq I(X_1; Y | X_2)$$

$$R_2 \leq I(X_2; Y | X_1)$$

$$R_1 + R_2 \leq I(X_1, X_2; Y)$$

2-user Multiple access channel



$$Y = X_1 + X_2 + Z.$$

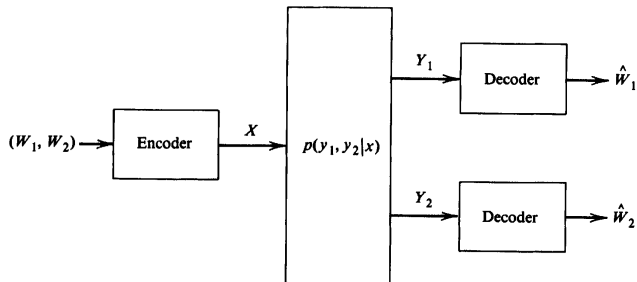
$$C(x) = \frac{1}{2} \log(1 + x).$$

$$R_1 \leq C\left(\frac{P_1}{N}\right)$$

$$R_2 \leq C\left(\frac{P_2}{N}\right)$$

$$R_1 + R_2 \leq C\left(\frac{P_1 + P_2}{N}\right)$$

Broadcast channel



Definition

A broadcast channel is said to be physically degraded if

$$p(y_1, y_2|x) = p(y_1|x)p(y_2|y_1)$$

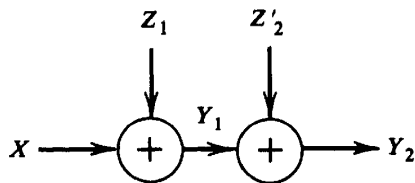
Theorem

The capacity region for sending independent information over the degraded broadcast channel $X \rightarrow Y_1 \rightarrow Y_2$ is the convex hull of the closure of all (R_1, R_2) satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} R_2 &\leq I(U; Y_2) \\ R_1 &\leq I(X; Y_1|U) \end{aligned}$$

for some joint distribution $p(u)p(x|u)p(y, z|x)$, where the auxiliary random variable U has cardinality bounded by $|\mathcal{U}| \leq \min\{|\mathcal{X}|, |\mathcal{Y}_1|, |\mathcal{Y}_2|\}$.

Broadcast channel



$$Y_1 = X + Z_1$$

$$Y_2 = X + Z_2 = Y_1 + Z'_2$$

$$R_1 \leq C\left(\frac{\alpha P}{N_1}\right)$$

$$R_2 \leq C\left(\frac{(1-\alpha)P}{\alpha P + N_2}\right)$$

Thank you for your attention!