

Channel coding theorem

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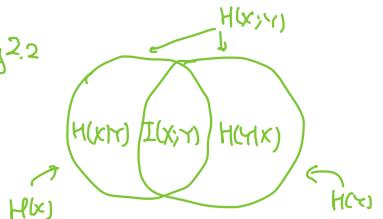
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Def: A discrete channel is a system consisting of an input X , output Y , $p(y|x)$.

Information channel capacity: $C = \max_{p(x)} I(X; Y)$

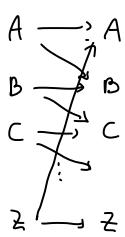
Fig 2.2



Theorem 2.4.1.

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

(Ex) D.1.3, Noisy Typewriter.



$$C = \max [H(Y) - H(Y|X)]$$

$$= \max H(Y) - 1$$

$$\boxed{A \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{2}} A} \quad H(Y|X) = \log_2 2 = 1$$

Theorem 2.6.4.

$$= \log 2^6 - 1$$

$$= \log 6$$

$$\approx 2.58$$

Theorem 2.6.4. $H(X) \leq \log |X|$. Equality holds iff X has a uniform dist. over X .

§ 7.5 definition for theorem.

Def. o A discrete channel : $(X, p(y|x), Y)$

finite set prob. mass fn.

◦ The nth extension of DMC : discrete memoryless channel

$(X^n, p(y^n|x^n), Y^n)$ where $p(y_{nk}|x^{k+1}, y^{k+1}) = p(y_n|x_k)$

$y^n = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$: vector notation.

◦ A channel without feedback if

$$p(x_k|x^{k+1}, y^{k+1}) = p(x_k|x^{k+1})$$

Def. An (M, n) code for $(X, p(y|x), Y)$:

1. An index set : $\{1, 2, \dots, M\} =: I^M$

codewords \in codeword book,

2. encoding fcn : $X^n : I^M \rightarrow X^n$ $i \longmapsto x^n(i)$

3. decoding fcn. : $g : Y^n \rightarrow I^M$

Def. ◦ Conditional prob. error. $\lambda_i = P(g(Y^n) \neq i | X^n = x^n(i))$

◦ The maximal prob. of error. $\lambda^{(n)} = \max_i \lambda_i$

◦ The average prob. of error. $P_e^{(n)} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M \lambda_i$.

- If the index W is chosen uniformly over I^M ,

$$P_e^{(n)} = P(W \neq g(Y^n))$$

Def. The rate R of (M, n) Code : $R = \frac{\log M}{n}$

- A rate R is achievable if \exists a seq. of $(T_{2^n R}, n)$ Code, s.t. $A^{(n)} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \emptyset$
- The capacity of a DMC is the supremum of all achievable rates.
(Achievable capacity)

Typical set

Def. The set $A_\epsilon^{(n)}$ of jointly typical sequences $\{(x^n, y^n)\}$:

$$A_\epsilon^{(n)} := \{(x^n, y^n) \in X^n \times Y^n : \quad$$

$$\left| -\frac{1}{n} \log p(x^n) - H(X) \right| < \epsilon, \quad \left| -\frac{1}{n} \log p(y^n) - H(Y) \right| < \epsilon, \quad \left| -\frac{1}{n} \log p(x^n, y^n) - H(X, Y) \right| < \epsilon \quad$$

where

$$p(x^n, y^n) = \prod_{i=1}^n p(x_i, y_i)$$

+
 $p(x_i)p(y_i)$

Thm 7.6.1 (X^n, Y^n) : sequences drawn i.i.d. and $p(x^n, y^n) = \prod_{i=1}^n p(x_i, y_i)$

1. $\lim P((X^n, Y^n) \in A_\epsilon^{(n)}) \rightarrow 1 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$

2. $|A_\epsilon^{(n)}| \leq 2^{n(H(X, Y) + \epsilon)}$

3. If $(X^n, Y^n) \sim p(x^n)p(y^n)$, then $P((X^n, Y^n) \in A_\epsilon^{(n)}) \leq 2^{-n(I(X; Y) - 3\epsilon)}$

For $n \gg 1$, $P((X^n, Y^n) \in A_\epsilon^{(n)}) \geq (1-\epsilon) 2^{-n(I(X; Y) + 3\epsilon)}$

Thm. (Channel Coding Theorem.) For a DMC,

$$R < C \Rightarrow \exists (2^{nR}, n) \text{ code with } \lambda^{(n)} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

Conversely, if \exists a seq. of $(2^{nR}, n)$ codes with $\lambda^{(n)} \rightarrow 0$. $R \leq C$

Pf (Achievability) Fix $p(x)$. generate $(2^{nR}, n)$ code at random and

$$p(x^n) = \prod_{i=1}^n p(x_i)$$

which gives a code book.

$$C = \left[\begin{array}{cccc} x_1(1) & x_2(1) & \cdots & x_n(1) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_1(2^{nR}) & x_2(2^{nR}) & \cdots & x_n(2^{nR}) \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{the 1st message goes to } n\text{-vector}}$$

$$\text{Note that } P(C) = \prod_{\omega=1}^{2^{nR}} p(x^n(\omega)) = \prod_{\omega=1}^{2^{nR}} \prod_{i=1}^n p(x_i(\omega))$$

Seq. of events :

1. C is generated and $p(x)$.

2. C is revealed to encoder and decoder
 \downarrow
 know $p(y|x)$

3. ω is chosen and a uniform dist: $P(W=\omega) = 2^{-nR}$, $\omega=1, 2, \dots, 2^{nR}$.

4. $X^n(\omega)$ is sent.

5. decoder receives a seq. y^n and $P(y^n|x^n(\omega)) = \prod_{i=1}^n p(y_i|x_i(\omega))$

6. The receiver decode the index:

$$\hat{\omega} = g(\gamma^n) \quad \text{if } \begin{cases} (x^n(\hat{\omega}), \gamma^n) \text{ is jointly typical.} \\ \nexists \omega' (\neq \hat{\omega}) \text{ s.t. } (x^n(\omega'), \gamma^n) \in A_{\varepsilon}^{(n)}. \end{cases}$$

error. when no such $\hat{\omega}$ exists or

(there is more than one such)

7. Decoding error if $\hat{\omega} \neq \omega$. $\mathcal{E} = \{\hat{\omega} \neq \omega\}$.

(Study of prob. of error)

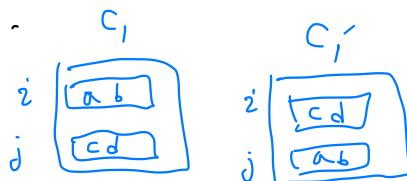
Calculate the ave. prob. of error, averaged over all codes.

$$P(E) = \sum_C P(C) P_e^{(n)}(C) \quad P_e^{(n)} = \underline{P(\omega \neq g(\gamma^n))}$$

$$= \sum_C P(C) \frac{1}{2^{nR}} \sum_{\omega=1}^{2^{nR}} \lambda_{\omega}(C)$$

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By symmetry of code construction, $\sum_C P(C) \lambda_{\omega}(C)$ does not depend on ω .



WDLG ass. $\omega=1$ was sent.

$$P(\varepsilon) = \frac{1}{2^{nR}} \sum_{w=1}^{2^{nR}} \sum_C P(C) \lambda_1(C).$$

$$= \sum_C P(C) \lambda_1(C) = P(\varepsilon | w=1).$$

Define $E_i = \{(x^n(i), y^n) \in A_{\varepsilon}^n\}$ for $i = \{1, 2, \dots, 2^{nR}\}$

$w=1$

- E_i^c ($x^n(i), y^n$) is not jointly typical.

An error occurs:

- $E_1 \cup \dots \cup E_{2^{nR}}$ Wrong codeword is jointly typical.

y^n is the result of sending the first code word $x^n(1)$.

$$P(\varepsilon | w=1) = P(E_1^c \cup E_2 \cup \dots \cup E_{2^{nR}})$$

$$\leq P(E_1^c) + \sum_{i=2}^{2^{nR}} P(E_i)$$

$$P(A \cup B) \leq P(A) + P(B)$$

$$\leq \varepsilon + \sum_{i=2}^{2^{nR}} 2^{-n(I(x^n; y) - 3\varepsilon)} \quad \text{by joint AEP.}$$

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③ $x^n(1)$ and $x^n(i)$: indep. for $i \neq 1$.

$$= \varepsilon + (2^{nR} - 1) \cdot 2^{-n(I(x^n; y) - 3\varepsilon)}$$

$$\leq \varepsilon + 2^{-n(I(x^n; y) - 3\varepsilon - R)} \leq 2\varepsilon.$$

(if $R < I(x^n; y) - 3\varepsilon$ and $n \gg 1$,

\therefore For $R < I(x^n; y)$, $\forall \varepsilon, \exists n$ s.t. $P(\varepsilon) \leq 2\varepsilon$.

(Finding a codebook we want)

1. Choose $p(x)$ that maximize $I(X;Y)$, and call it $p^*(x)$.

$$R < I(X;Y) \Rightarrow R < C = \max_{p(x)} I(X;Y)$$

2. $\exists C^*$ s.t. $P_e^{(n)}(C^*) \leq 2\varepsilon$ $\leftarrow P(\varepsilon) = \sum_c P(c) P_e^{(n)}$

3. $A_{\text{lim}} : \lambda^{(n)}(C^*) \rightarrow 0$

$$2\varepsilon \geq \frac{1}{2^n R} \sum_{i=1}^{2^n R} \lambda_i(C^*) = \frac{1}{2^n R} \left(\sum_{\substack{\lambda_i > \lambda^* \\ \text{best half}}} \lambda_i + \sum_{\substack{\lambda^* < \lambda_i \\ \text{worst half}}} \lambda_i \right)$$

For best half, $\lambda_i \leq 4\varepsilon$ for all i in best half.

$$\text{If not } \lambda^* \geq 4\varepsilon, \quad \frac{1}{2^n R} \sum_{\lambda^* < \lambda_i} \lambda_i > \frac{1}{2} \cdot 4\varepsilon = 2\varepsilon \neq.$$

Throw away the worst half of codeword in C^* .

And take 2^{nR-1} codewords (best half of C^*)

$$\text{New Rate} \quad \frac{1}{n} \cdot \log(2^{nR-1}) = R - \frac{1}{n}$$

$$\text{and} \quad \lambda^{(n)} = \max \lambda_i \leq 4\varepsilon$$

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(Converse) "if \exists a seq. of $(2^{nR}, n)$ codes wth $d^{(n)} \rightarrow \infty$; $R \leq C$ "

(special case)

Supp. $P_e^{(n)} = 0$, Ass.: ω : uniformly dist. over $\{1, 2, \dots, 2^n\}$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 nR &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} H(\omega) \\
 &\quad \text{or} (\because P_e^{(n)} = 0; \hat{\omega} = g(Y^n)) \\
 &= H(\omega|Y^n) + I(\omega; Y^n) \\
 \text{Rig 2.2} &\leq I(X^n; Y^n) \quad : \text{Data processing - } \omega \rightarrow X^n \rightarrow Y^n \\
 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n I(X_i; Y_i)
 \end{aligned}$$

1.9.2.

$$\leq nC \quad \text{def. of } C$$

$$\therefore R \leq C.$$

1.9.1 Lemma (Fano's inequality)

For a DMC, W : uniformly distributed. $H(X^n|Y^n) \leq 1 + P_e^{(n)} \cdot n \cdot R$

1.9.2. For DMC, $I(X^n; Y^n) \leq nC$.

$$\text{pf. } I(X^n; Y^n) = H(Y^n) - H(Y^n | X^n)$$

$$= H(Y^n) - \sum H(Y_i | Y_1, \dots, Y_{i-1}, X^n)$$

$$= H(Y^n) - \sum H(Y_i | X_i) \quad \leftarrow \text{DMC}$$

$$\leq \sum H(Y_i) - \sum H(Y_i | X_i)$$

$$= \sum I(X_i; Y_i) \leq nC$$

* Converse of the Coding theorem.

" if \exists a seq. of $(2^{nR}, n)$ codes with $d^{(n)} \rightarrow 0$. $R \leq C$ "

pf. Since $P_e^{(n)} \leq \lambda^{(n)}$, $\lambda^{(n)} \rightarrow 0$ implies $P_e^{(n)} \rightarrow 0$.

Ass. ω : uniform dist with $P_{\omega}^{(n)} = P(\hat{\omega} \neq \omega)$

$$nR = H(\omega) = H(\omega | Y^n) + I(\omega; Y^n)$$

$$\leq H(\omega | Y^n) + I(X^n(\omega); Y^n)$$

$\underbrace{\omega \rightarrow X^n \rightarrow Y^n}$

$$\leq 1 + p_n^{(e)} nR + I(X^n; Y^n)$$

$$\leq 1 + p_n^{(e)} nR + nC$$

Dividing by n , $R \leq \frac{1}{n} + p_n^{(e)} R + C$.

As $n \rightarrow \infty$, $R \leq C$.

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. Equality in the converse

We consider the special case $\underline{p_n^{(e)} = 0}$: zero error code

$$nR \stackrel{?}{=} H(W)$$

$$\stackrel{?}{=} H(W|W) + I(W; W)$$

$\Rightarrow (p_e^{(e)} = 0)$

$(W \rightarrow \text{code})$

Rig 2.2. X^n must be distinct.

$$\stackrel{?}{\leq} I(X^n(W); Y^n)$$

data processing neg.: $W \rightarrow X^n \rightarrow Y^n \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$.

$$= H(Y^n) - H(Y^n|X^n)$$

$$I(Y^n; X^n(W)|W) = 0 = I(X^n; Y^n|W)$$

$$= H(Y^n) - \sum_{i=1}^n H(Y_i|X_i) \quad \leftarrow \text{DMC}$$

$$\stackrel{?}{\leq} \sum_{i=1}^n H(X_i) - \sum_{i=1}^n H(Y_i|X_i) \quad \leftarrow Y_i: \text{indep.}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n I(X_i; Y_i) \quad \leftarrow \text{by def.}$$

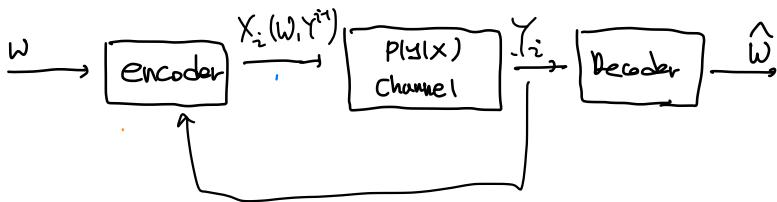
$$\stackrel{?}{\leq} nC$$

$$\leftarrow \text{by def.} \quad X_i \sim p^*(x),$$

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$$\arg \max I(X; Y)$$

§ 11, 12 Feedback capacity



- $(2^R, n)$ feedback code : a sequence of mappings $\pi_i(w, Y^{i-1})$,
seq of decod fns $g: Y^n \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 2^{R^n}\}$

The capacity with feedback, C_{FB} , of a DMC

: a supremum of all rates achievable by feedback codes.

$$11.12.1. \quad C_{FB} = C = \max_{p(x)} I(X; Y)$$

pf. A non feedback code is a special code of a feedback code

$$C_{FB} \geq C$$

$$\text{Aim: } C_{FB} \leq C$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 nR &= H(w) = H(w | \tilde{Y}) + I(w; \tilde{Y}) \\
 (\times) \quad &\leq 1 + P_e^{(n)} nR + I(w; \tilde{Y}) \\
 &\leq 1 + P_e^{(n)} nR + I(w; Y^n) \quad \leftarrow w \rightarrow Y^n \rightarrow \tilde{Y}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$I(\omega; Y^n) = H(Y^n) - H(Y^n | \omega)$$

$$= H(Y^n) - \sum_{i=1}^n H(Y_i | Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_{i-1}, \omega)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} H(Y^n) - \sum_{i=1}^n H(Y_i | \underbrace{Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_{i-1}, \omega}_{X_i}, X_i) \quad \because X_i = X_i(\omega, Y^{i-1})$$

$$= H(Y^n) - \sum_{i=1}^n H(Y_i | X_i) \quad \text{DMC}$$

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

Chain rule + 2.6, r

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n I(X_i; Y_i) \quad \text{def}$$

$$H(X|Y) \leq H(X)$$

$$\leq nC.$$

def

$$\text{from (4)}, \quad nR \leq P_e^{(n)} nR + 1 \leftarrow nC.$$

$$\text{Dividing } n, \quad n \rightarrow \infty, \quad R \leq C.$$

$$C_{FB} \leq C.$$

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§ 11.13: Source channel separation theorem.

Two Stage Method.

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{ch}^T \quad 5.4.2. \rightarrow R_s H \\ \text{ch}^H \quad 7.7.1 \rightarrow R_e CC \end{array} \quad) \rightarrow H(U) \subset C.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\text{S.4.2}} \rightarrow \frac{H(X_1, \dots, X_n)}{n} &\leq L_n^x = \boxed{\frac{H(X_1, \dots, X_n)}{n}} + \frac{1}{n} \\ H(x) & \quad \quad \quad R \\ k = \log M \rightarrow M = 2^k, \quad k = nL_n^x, \quad H(V) \leq c. \end{aligned}$$

Source - channel separation thin:

two-stage process is as good as any other method.

Source V. process produced by V satisfies AEP. $\text{ex. i.i.d.} \leftarrow \text{Stationary}$

Def. Prob. of error: $P(V \neq \hat{V}) = \sum_{y^n} \sum_{x^n} P(V^n) P(y^n | x^n, V^n) I(g(y^n) \neq V^n)$



Thm (Joint Source-Channel Coding theorem) : DMC.

If V_1, V_2, \dots, V_n is a finite alphabet stochastic process that satisfies the AEP and $H(V) < C$,

\exists Source - Channel Code with $\Pr(\hat{V} \neq V) \rightarrow 0$

Conversely, for any stationary stochastic process, if $H(v) > c$, the probability of error is bounded away from zero.

pt. Achievability (\rightarrow)

Aim: $R \subset C \Rightarrow p_e^{(n)} \rightarrow 0$
 $\uparrow H(n), \text{ replace.}$

AEP assumption on the process : $|A_\varepsilon^{(n)}| < 2^{n(H(U)+\varepsilon)}$ (Thm 31.2 - 3)

We Index all seq. in $A_\varepsilon^{(n)}$ with $n(H(U) + \varepsilon)$ bits


$$3.1.2-2 : \Pr(A_{\epsilon}^{(n)}) > 1 - \epsilon.$$

From decoding thm, we can transmit the indices with the arbitrary small prob of error if $H(U) + \epsilon = R < C$

Can we construct V^n to agree with the transmitted sequence with high prob.

(why, Input size = 1 = output size)

Precisely,

$$\begin{aligned} P(V^n \neq \hat{V}^n) &\leq P(V^n \notin A_{\epsilon}^{(n)}) + P(g(Y^n) \neq V^n | V^n \in A_{\epsilon}^{(n)}) \\ &\leq \epsilon + \epsilon = 2\epsilon \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore H(U) < C$$

Converse: " $\Pr(V^n \neq \hat{V}^n) \rightarrow 0$ " $\Rightarrow H(U) < C$

Given the following encoder and decoder

$$\begin{aligned} X^n(\gamma^n) &: \mathcal{U}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{X}^n \\ g_n(\gamma^n) &: \mathcal{Y}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{U}^n \end{aligned}$$

By Fano's Ineq.

$$H(V^n | \hat{V}^n) \leq 1 + \Pr(\hat{V}^n \neq V^n) \cdot \log \frac{|V^n|}{|\hat{V}^n|} = 1 + \Pr(\hat{V}^n \neq V^n) n \log |\mathcal{U}|$$

$$H(U) \leq \frac{H(X_1, \dots, X_n)}{n} \quad (\text{Ch 4. } H(U) = \lim \frac{H(U_1, \dots, U_n)}{n}, \text{ #4.6} \rightarrow \text{dec. seq.})$$

$$= \frac{H(V^n)}{n}$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} H(N^n | \hat{V}^n) + \frac{1}{n} I(V^n; \hat{V}^n)$$

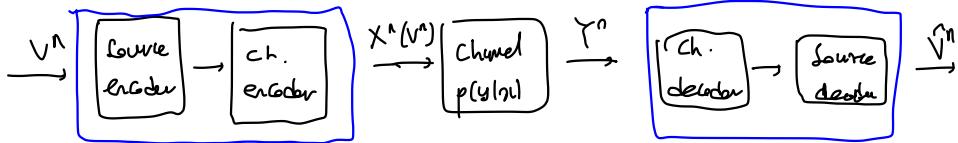
$$\leq \frac{1}{n} (1 + \Pr(\hat{V}^n \neq V^n) n \log |\mathcal{U}|) + \frac{1}{n} I(V^n; \hat{V}^n) \quad \text{Fano}$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{n} (1 + \Pr(\hat{V}^n \neq V^n) n \log |\mathcal{U}|) + \frac{1}{n} I(X^n; Y^n) \quad \text{Data processing}$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{n} (1 + \Pr(\hat{V}^n \neq V^n) n \log |\mathcal{U}|) + C \quad \text{Memoryless}$$

$$\text{As } n \rightarrow \infty, \therefore H(U) \leq C$$

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Summary, Data compression thm: a consequence of the AEP.

Data transmission thm: a consequence of the joint AEP