

# Lecture 14

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## Review

\* Compression is equivalent to probability assignment upto 1 bit:

$$\bar{\pi}(k, n) = \min_{Q^{(n)}} \max_{P \in \mathcal{P}_k} D(P^n \parallel Q^{(n)})$$

$$\pi(k, n) = \min_{Q^{(n)}} \max_{\underline{x}} \max_{P \in \mathcal{P}_k} \log \frac{P^n(\underline{x})}{Q^{(n)}(\underline{x})}$$

$$= \min_{Q^{(n)}} \max_{P \in \mathcal{P}_k} \max_{\underline{x}} \log \frac{P^n(\underline{x})}{Q^{(n)}(\underline{x})}$$

$$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{D_{\max}(P^n \parallel Q^{(n)})}$$

$$\geq \bar{\pi}(k, n)$$

\* Bayesian method: uniform prior on  $\mathcal{P}_k$  (Laplace prior)

$$Q^{(n)}(\underline{x}) = \prod_{i=1}^n Q^{(n)}(x_i | x^{i-1}) \text{ with } Q^{(n)}(x_i | x^{i-1}) = \frac{n(x_i | x^{i-1}) + 1}{i + k - 1}$$

add-1 estimator ←

[A] Bayesian methods (continued): Jeffrey's prior (Dirichlet prior) for  $k > 2$

$k=2$  case

Consider  $\pi(q) \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{q(1-q)}}$

As before, we need to evaluate

$$\int_0^1 q^{i-1/2} (1-q)^{l-i-1/2} dq = \frac{(i-1/2)}{(l-i-1/2+1)} \dots \frac{3/2}{(l-3/2)} \int_0^1 \sqrt{q} (1-q)^{l-3/2} dq$$

Thus,  $Q_{\pi}(x_{e+1}=0 | x^e = x^e)$  equals

$$\frac{\binom{l-i+1/2}{l-1/2} \int_0^1 \sqrt{q} (1-q)^{l-1/2} dq}{\int_0^1 \sqrt{q} (1-q)^{l-3/2} dq}$$

Note that

$$I_{l+1} = \int_0^1 \sqrt{q} (1-q)^{l-1/2} dq = I_l - \frac{3}{2(l-1/2)} I_{l+1}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{2l+2}{2l-1}\right) \cdot I_{l+1} = I_l$$

Therefore,  $Q_{\pi}(X_{l+1}=0 | X^l = x^l) = \frac{l-i+1/2}{l+1}$

$$= \frac{n(0|x^l) + 1/2}{n+1} \equiv \text{add-}1/2 \text{ estimator}$$

(Krichevsky-Trofimov estimator)

Extension to a larger k:  $Q_{KT}(x_i | x^{i-1}) = \frac{n(x_i | x^{i-1}) + 1/2}{i-1 + \frac{k}{2}}$

B Using KT estimator for prob. assignment

We restrict to the binary case (k=2)

$$Q_{KT}(\underline{x}) = Q_{KT}(x_1) Q_{KT}(x_2|x_1) \dots Q_{KT}(x_n|x^{n-1})$$

$$= \frac{?}{1} \cdot \frac{?}{2} \cdot \frac{?}{3} \cdot \dots \cdot \frac{?}{n}$$

$\swarrow$   $\frac{1}{2}$        $\swarrow$   $\frac{n(x_1|x_1) + 1/2}{2}$        $\swarrow$   $\frac{n(x_n|x^{n-1}) + 1/2}{n}$

\* If  $l = n(1|\underline{x})$ , the numerator is simply the sequence  $\frac{1}{2} \cdot (1+\frac{1}{2}) \cdot \dots \cdot (l-\frac{1}{2}) \cdot (1+\frac{1}{2}) \cdot \dots \cdot (n-l-\frac{1}{2})$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus, } Q_{KT}(z) &= \frac{1}{n!} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \cdots \frac{(2l-1)}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{5}{2} \cdots \frac{(2(n-l)-1)}{2} \quad (3) \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(l + \frac{1}{2}) \Gamma(n-l + \frac{1}{2})}{\Gamma(n+1)} \quad \left( \Gamma(x) = (x-1)(x-2)\dots \right) \end{aligned}$$

Stirling's approx.

$$\left| \log \frac{\Gamma(z)}{e^{-z} z^{z-\frac{1}{2}}} \right| \leq C$$

$$\Rightarrow Q_{KT}(z) \geq \frac{c' e^{-n} \cdot (l + \frac{1}{2})^l (n-l + \frac{1}{2})^{n-l}}{e^{-1} e^{-n} (n+1)^{n+\frac{1}{2}}}$$

$$\geq c'' \cdot \frac{l^l (n-l)^{n-l}}{n^{n+\frac{1}{2}}},$$

and so,

$$\begin{aligned} \log \frac{P^n(z)}{Q_{KT}(z)} &\leq l \log p + (n-l) \log(1-p) \\ &\quad - l \log \frac{l}{n} - (n-l) \log \frac{n-l}{n} + \frac{1}{2} \log n + O(1) \\ &= -n D\left(\frac{l}{n} \parallel p\right) + \frac{1}{2} \log n + O(1) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \log n + O(1) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$r(2, n) \leq \frac{1}{2} \log n + O(1).$$

→ In general, we can show

$$r(k, n) \leq \frac{k-1}{2} \log n + O(1).$$

1C] The Shannon lower bound

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$$\begin{aligned} \bar{r}(2, n) &= \min_Q \max_{P \in \mathcal{P}_2} D(P^n \parallel Q) \\ &= \min_Q \max_{\pi \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}_2)} \mathbb{E}_{P \sim \pi} [D(P^n \parallel Q)] \\ &\geq \max_{\pi \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}_2)} \min_Q \mathbb{E}_{P \sim \pi} [D(P^n \parallel Q)] \end{aligned}$$

Consider a channel  $W: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  with input  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{P}_2$  and output  $\mathcal{Y} = \{0, 1\}^n$ . Then, the right-side equals

$$\begin{aligned} &\max_{P_x} \min_{Q \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{Y})} \mathbb{E}_{P_x} [D(W(\cdot|X) \parallel Q)] \\ &= \max_{P_x} \min_Q D(W \parallel Q | P_x) = \max_{P_x} \min_Q D(W \parallel (W \circ P_x) | P_x) \\ &\quad + D(W \circ P_x \parallel Q) \end{aligned}$$

where  $W \circ P_x(y) = \sum_x P_x(x) W(y|x)$ .

$$= \max_{P_x} D(W \parallel (W \circ P_x) | P_x) = \max_{P_x} I(P_x; W) \equiv C(W)$$

Choosing  $P_x = \text{unif}(\mathcal{X})$  ( $\equiv \pi^x = \text{unif}[0, 1]$ ),

$$C(W) \geq \mathbb{E}_{P \sim \text{unif}[0, 1]} D(P^n \parallel P_{\pi^*}^{(n)})$$

Note now that  $P_{\pi^*}^{(n)}(z)$  is the odd-1 prob. assignment.

Therefore, for  $n(|\mathcal{X}|) = \ell$ ,

$$P_{\pi^*}^{(n)}(\underline{x}) = \frac{l!(n-l)!}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot \dots \cdot (n+1)}$$

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$$\leq \frac{C}{\sqrt{n}} \cdot \left(\frac{l}{n}\right)^l \left(\frac{n-l}{n}\right)^{n-l} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{l(n-l)}{(n+1)^2}}$$

Thus,

$$\log \frac{P^n(\underline{x})}{P_{\pi^*}^{(n)}(\underline{x})} \geq -n D\left(\frac{l}{n} \parallel p\right) - O(1) + \frac{1}{2} \log n$$

Next we use  $D(\theta \parallel p) = \frac{\theta^2}{p} + \frac{(1-\theta)^2}{(1-p)} - 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \mathbb{E}_p [D(l/n \parallel p)] &\leq \frac{n^2 p^2 + n p (1-p)}{n^2 p} + \frac{n^2 (1-p)^2 + n p (1-p)}{n^2 (1-p)} - 1 \\ &= \frac{1-p}{n} + \frac{p}{n} = \frac{1}{n} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$D(P^n \parallel P_{\pi^*}^{(n)}) \geq \frac{1}{2} \log n - O(1) \Rightarrow \underline{\kappa}(2, n) \geq \frac{1}{2} \log n - O(1).$$

We have shown:

$$\underline{\kappa}(2, n) = \overline{\kappa}(2, n) = \frac{1}{2} \log n + O(1)$$