

Shannon's Mathematical Theory of Data Transmission

(for mathematicians)

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Data Transmission

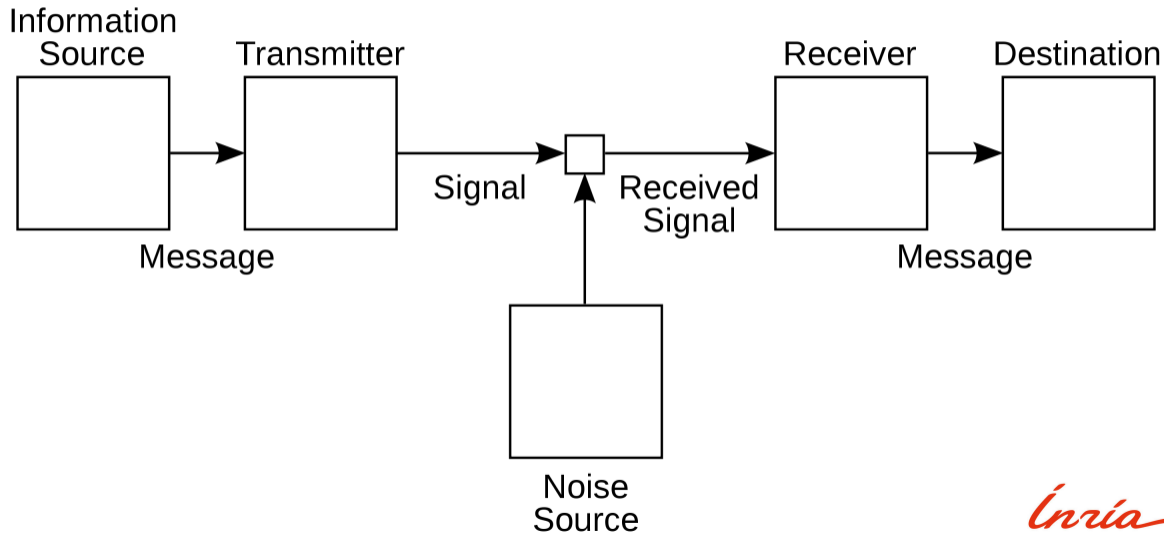


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What is Information?

To talk about **information**, it is necessary to define the **problem of estimation** or decision making.

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The Problem of Estimation

- Consider a product measure space $(\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{F}_X \times \mathcal{F}_Y, P_{XY})$, with \mathcal{X} discrete. For all $i \in \mathcal{X}$ and $\mathcal{A} \in \mathcal{F}_Y$,

$$P_{XY}(i, \mathcal{A}) = P_{Y|X=i}(\mathcal{A})P_X(i).$$

- For all $y \in \mathcal{Y}$, let $P_{Z|Y=y}$ be a **probability measure** on $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F}_X)$. – (the estimator).
- $P_{Z|Y=y}(x)$ is the probability with which x is chosen given y .
- Let $f : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ be a **cost function**.
- An **estimator** $P_{Z|Y}$ is **preferred** against an estimator $Q_{Z|Y}$ if

$$\int f(x, y, z) dP_{XYZ}(x, y, z) \leq \int f(x, y, z) dQ_{XYZ}(x, y, z)$$

where,

$$P_{XYZ}(x, y, z) = P_{Z|Y}(z|y)P_{Y|X}(y|x)P_X(x) \text{ and} \\ Q_{XYZ}(x, y, z) = Q_{Z|Y}(z|y)P_{Y|X}(y|x)P_X(x).$$

- What is the **optimal estimator**?

The Problem of Estimation with $\mathcal{X} = \{0, 1\}$

Definition (Estimator)

Given a function $\delta : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow [0, 1]$, the output of the estimator is 1 given the input $y \in \mathcal{Y}$ with probability $\delta(y)$.

Any estimator leads to **estimation errors** of two forms:

Definition (Error Probability with $\mathcal{X} = \{0, 1\}$)

Given a decision rule formed by the sets \mathcal{Y}_0 and \mathcal{Y}_1 ,

- the **type-I error probability** is $\int \delta(y) dP_{Y|X=0}(y)$, and
- the **type-II error probability** is $\int (1 - \delta(y)) dP_{Y|X=1}(y)$.

Bayesian Method

For all $(i, j) \in \{0, 1\}^2$,

- let $C_{ij} \in [0, +\infty)$ be the **cost** of choosing i when $X = j$, with
- $0 \leq C_{0,0} < C_{1,0}$ and $0 \leq C_{1,1} < C_{0,1}$.

Given an estimator $\delta : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow [0, 1]$, **the expected cost** is

$$C(\delta) = P_X(0) \left(C_{00} \int (1 - \delta(y)) dP_{Y|X=0}(y) + C_{10} \int \delta(y) dP_{Y|X=0}(y) \right) \\ + P_X(1) \left(C_{11} \int \delta(y) dP_{Y|X=1}(y) + C_{01} \int (1 - \delta(y)) dP_{Y|X=1}(y) \right)$$

Example ($C_{00} = C_{11} = 0$ and $C_{10} = C_{01} = 1$)

The expected cost

$$C(\delta) = P_X(0) \int \delta(y) dP_{Y|X=0}(y) + P_X(1) \int (1 - \delta(y)) dP_{Y|X=1}(y)$$

Bayesian Method: Optimal Decision Rules

Theorem

An estimator $\delta : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ that satisfies for all $y \in \mathcal{Y}$,

$$\delta(y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } y \in \mathcal{Y}_1 \\ 0 & \text{if } y \in \mathcal{Y}_0 \\ \alpha & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where $\alpha \in [0, 1]$, and

$$\mathcal{Y}_1 = \left\{ y \in \mathcal{Y} : \frac{dP_{Y|X=1}}{dP_{Y|X=0}}(y) > \frac{P_X(0)(C_{10} - C_{00})}{P_X(1)(C_{01} - C_{11})} \right\} \text{ and}$$
$$\mathcal{Y}_0 = \left\{ y \in \mathcal{Y} : \frac{dP_{Y|X=1}}{dP_{Y|X=0}}(y) < \frac{P_X(0)(C_{10} - C_{00})}{P_X(1)(C_{01} - C_{11})} \right\},$$

is optimal.

Bayesian Method: (Sketch of) Proof of Optimality

Given an estimator δ , **the expected cost** is

$$\begin{aligned} C(\delta) &= \int P_X(0) (C_{00}(1 - \delta(y)) + C_{10}\delta(y)) dP_{Y|X=0}(y) + \int P_X(1) (C_{11}\delta(y) + C_{01}(1 - \delta(y))) dP_{Y|X=1}(y) \\ &= \int P_X(0) (C_{00}(1 - \delta(y)) + C_{10}\delta(y)) dP_{Y|X=0}(y) \\ &\quad + \int P_X(1) (C_{11}\delta(y) + C_{01}(1 - \delta(y))) \frac{dP_{Y|X=1}(y)}{dP_{Y|X=0}(y)} dP_{Y|X=0}(y) \\ &= \int \left((1 - \delta(y)) \left(P_X(0) C_{00} + P_X(1) C_{01} \frac{dP_{Y|X=1}(y)}{dP_{Y|X=0}(y)} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \delta(y) \left(P_X(0) C_{10} + P_X(1) C_{11} \frac{dP_{Y|X=1}(y)}{dP_{Y|X=0}(y)} \right) \right) dP_{Y|X=0}(y), \end{aligned}$$

where the last equality involves a convex combination of two **terms**.

Connections to *Maximum à Posteriori* (MAP) estimation

Theorem

Under the assumptions that $C_{00} = C_{11} = 0$ and $C_{10} = C_{01} = 1$ and $(\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{F}_X \times \mathcal{F}_Y, P_{XY})$, with \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} discrete, is a probability measure space, an estimator $\delta : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ that satisfies for all $y \in \mathcal{Y}$,

$$\delta(y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } y \in P_{X|Y=y}(1) > P_{X|Y=y}(0) \\ 0 & \text{if } y \in P_{X|Y=y}(1) < P_{X|Y=y}(0) \\ \alpha & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

with $\alpha > 0$, is optimal.

Neyman-Pearson Method

- Probability of choosing 1 when $x = 1$ (**detection**) is

$$\int \delta(y) dP_{Y|X=1}(y)$$

- Probability of choosing 0 when $x = 1$ (**false alarm**) is

$$\int (1 - \delta(y)) dP_{Y|X=1}(y)$$

Choose the estimator that achieves the maximum **detection probability** and a probability of **false alarm** that is **not bigger than** p , with $p > 0$.

$$\max_{\delta} \int \delta(y) dP_{Y|X=1}(y)$$

$$\text{s.t. } \int (1 - \delta(y)) dP_{Y|X=1}(y) \leq p.$$



Neyman-Pearson Method: Optimal Estimator

Theorem

An estimator $\delta : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ that satisfies for all $y \in \mathcal{Y}$,

$$\delta(y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \frac{dP_{Y|X=1}}{dP_{Y|X=0}}(y) > \eta \\ 0 & \text{if } \frac{dP_{Y|X=1}}{dP_{Y|X=0}}(y) < \eta \\ \alpha & \text{if } \frac{dP_{Y|X=1}}{dP_{Y|X=0}}(y) = \eta, \end{cases}$$

where $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ and $\eta \geq 0$, are chosen such that

$$\int (1 - \delta(y)) dP_{Y|X=1}(y) = p,$$

is optimal.



What is **information**? – Comments

To talk about **information**, we need to realize that:

- There is a choice to be made (**estimation/decision** problem)
- The choice is based on three elements:
 - an **observation** $y \in \mathcal{Y}$; and
 - a **product measure space** $(\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{F}_X \times \mathcal{F}_Y, P_{XY})$; and
 - a **cost function**.
- **Underlying assumption**:
 - The **product measure space** and the **cost function** are both known.

What is **information**? – Definition with $\mathcal{X} = \{0, 1\}$

Definition (Information)

Given the product measure space $(\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{F}_X \times \mathcal{F}_Y, P_{XY})$, with $\mathcal{X} = \{0, 1\}$ and for all $i \in \mathcal{X}$ and $\mathcal{A} \in \mathcal{F}_Y$,

$$P_{XY}(i, \mathcal{A}) = P_{Y|X=i}(\mathcal{A})P_X(i),$$

the information function $\iota : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is for all $y \in \mathcal{Y}$

$$\iota(y) = -\log_2 \left(\frac{dP_{Y|X=1}}{dP_{Y|X=0}}(y) \right).$$

Note that

$$\iota(y) = \log_2 \left(\left(\frac{dP_{Y|X=1}}{dP_{Y|X=0}}(y) \right)^{-1} \right) = \log_2 \left(\frac{dP_{Y|X=0}}{dP_{Y|X=1}}(y) \right).$$

What if $P_{Y|X=0}$ and $P_{Y|X=1}$ are not **absolutely continuous** w.r.t each other?

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The information brought by observing y on whether $x = 1$ or $x = 0$ is

$$-\log_2 \left(\frac{dP_{Y|X=1}}{dP_{Y|X=0}}(y) \right) \text{ bits.}$$

A rule of the form $\iota(y) > \tau$ is enough for decision making, $\tau > 0$.

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The expectation of the information

- with respect to $P_{Y|X=1}$ is

$$\int \log_2(\iota(y)) dP_{Y|X=1}(y) = - \int \frac{dP_{Y|X=1}}{dP_{Y|X=0}}(y) \log_2 \left(\frac{dP_{Y|X=1}}{dP_{Y|X=0}}(y) \right) dP_{Y|X=0}(y)$$



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- with respect to $P_{Y|X=1}$, when $P_{Y|X=0}$ is a **counting measure**, is

$$-\int \log_2(\iota(y)) dP_{Y|X=1}(y) = -\sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} p(y) \log_2 p(y),$$

which is the **Shannon entropy** of the probability mass function p (of the measure $P_{Y|X=0}$)



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$$-\int_{\mathcal{Y}} \log_2(\iota(y)) dP_{Y|X=1}(y) = -\int_{\mathcal{Y}} f(y) \log_2 f(y) dy,$$

which is the **Shannon (differential) entropy** of the probability density function f (of the measure $P_{Y|X=0}$)



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What is **information**? – Definition with $\mathcal{X} = \{0, 1\}$

What is so special about
counting measures and **the Lebesgue Measure**?

Consider that in the estimation problem:

- The set \mathcal{Y} is discrete; and
- The measure $P_{Y|X=0}$ is a counting measure of the form

$$P_{Y|X=0}(\mathcal{A}) = \frac{|\mathcal{A}|}{|\mathcal{Y}|}, \text{ with } \mathcal{A} \in \mathcal{F}_Y.$$

Hence,

- The measure **does not depend** on the exact element y .
- For all observations $y \in \mathcal{Y}$, $P_{Y|X=0}(y) = \frac{1}{|\mathcal{Y}|}$.



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The Problem of Data Transmission

- **Equiprobable** source symbols:

$$\mathcal{W} = \{1, 2, \dots, M\}, \text{ with } M \in \mathbb{N}.$$

- **Channel**

- Input symbols: \mathcal{X}
- Output symbols: \mathcal{Y}
- Input-Output **Random** Transformation:

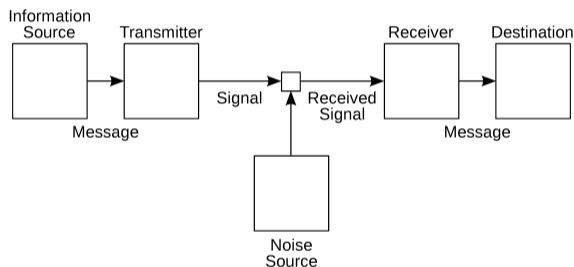
$$\forall x \in \mathcal{X}, \quad Y \sim P_{Y|X=x}$$

- **Transmission Duration:**

n channel uses

- **Transmission Rate:**

$$R = \frac{\log_2 M}{n} \text{ bits per channel use.}$$



The Problem of Data Transmission

- Transmitter uses M **codewords**:

$$\mathbf{u}(1) = (u_1(1), u_2(1), \dots, u_n(1)) \in \mathcal{X}^n$$

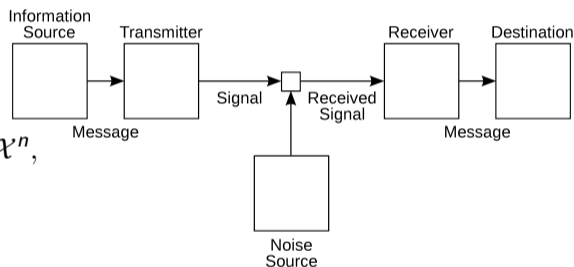
$$\mathbf{u}(2) = (u_1(2), u_2(2), \dots, u_n(2)) \in \mathcal{X}^n$$

\vdots

$$\mathbf{u}(M) = (u_1(M), u_2(M), \dots, u_n(M)) \in \mathcal{X}^n,$$

with $n \in \mathbb{N}$, the **block length**.

- To transmit symbol $i \in \mathcal{W}$,
at each channel use $t \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$,
 - **Channel Input:** $u_t(i)$; and
 - **Channel Output:** $Y_t \sim P_{Y|X=u_t(i)}$.



The Problem of Data Transmission

- After n channel uses, at the receiver

$$\mathbf{Y} = (Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n) \sim P_{\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}=\mathbf{u}(i)}.$$

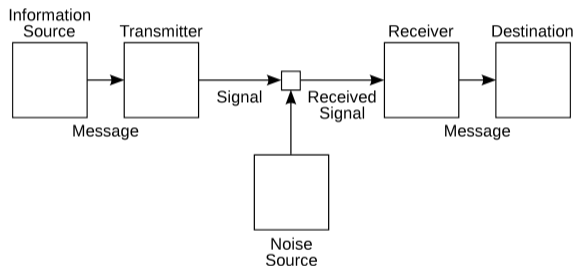
where for all $\mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{Y}^n$

$$P_{\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}=\mathbf{u}_t}(\mathbf{y}) = \prod_{t=1}^n P_{Y|X=u_t(i)}(y_t).$$

- **Estimation:**

- Given the observation $\mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{Y}^n$,
- A partition of \mathcal{Y}^n : $\mathcal{D}_1, \mathcal{D}_2, \dots, \mathcal{D}_M$
- Symbol $i \in \mathcal{W}$ is the receiver output if

$$\mathbf{Y} \in \mathcal{D}_i,$$



The Problem of Data Transmission

- Average **decoding error probability**:

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M \Pr[\mathbf{Y} \notin \mathcal{D}_i | \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{u}(i)]$$

- **Objective:**

Choose the sets $\mathcal{D}_1, \mathcal{D}_2, \dots, \mathcal{D}_M$ for minimizing the average decoding error probability.

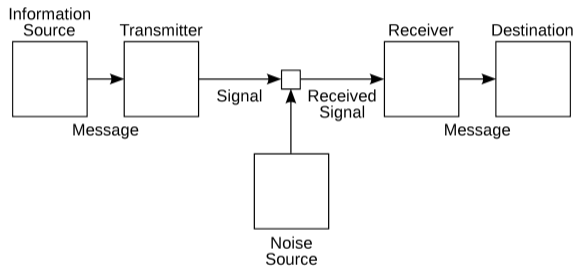


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Fundamental Limits – Main Questions

Given an information rate (fixed n and M),

- What is the **minimum decoding error probability**?

Given a tolerable decoding error probability,

- What is the **maximum information rate**?
- What is the **shortest code** for transmitting M symbols?

Fundamental Limits: (n, M, λ) -Codes

Definition $((n, M, \lambda)$ -Code)

Given a tuple $(M, n, \lambda) \in \mathbb{N}^2 \times [0, 1]$, an (n, M, λ) -code for the random transformation $P_{Y|X}$ is a system

$$\left\{ \left(\mathbf{u}(1), \mathcal{D}_1 \right), \left(\mathbf{u}(2), \mathcal{D}_2 \right), \dots, \left(\mathbf{u}(M), \mathcal{D}_M \right) \right\},$$

where for all $(j, \ell) \in \mathcal{W}^2$, with $j \neq \ell$:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u}(j) &= (u_1(j), u_2(j), \dots, u_n(j)) \in \mathcal{X}^n, \\ \mathcal{D}_j \cap \mathcal{D}_\ell &= \emptyset, \\ \bigcup_{j \in \mathcal{W}} \mathcal{D}_j &\subseteq \mathcal{Y}^n, \text{ and} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M \mathbb{E}_{P_{Y|X=\mathbf{u}(i)}} [\mathbf{1}_{\{Y \notin \mathcal{D}_i\}}] \leq \lambda.$$

Fundamental Limits – Main Questions

Definition (Minimum decoding error probability (DEP))

Given a pair $(n, M) \in \mathbb{N}^2$, the minimum average DEP for the memoryless channel $(\mathcal{X}^n, \mathcal{Y}^n, P_{\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}})$, denoted by $\lambda^*(n, M)$, is given by

$$\lambda^*(n, M) = \min \{ \lambda \in [0, 1] : \exists (n, M, \lambda)\text{-code} \} .$$

Fundamental Limits: (n, M, λ) -Codes

A lower bound on the average error probability.

Theorem (Verdu-Han-1994)

Every (n, M, λ) -code for a random transformation $P_{\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}}$ satisfies

$$\lambda > \sup_{\beta > 0} \left[\Pr [\iota(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) \leq \log_2(\beta)] - \frac{\beta}{M} \right],$$

where $P_{\mathbf{X}}$ is the empirical input distribution of the code. For all $(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \in \mathcal{X}^n \times \mathcal{Y}^n$,

$$P_{\mathbf{X}\mathbf{Y}}(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}) = P_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x})P_{\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}),$$

and

$$\iota(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \log_2 \left(\frac{P_{\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x})}{P_{\mathbf{Y}}(\mathbf{y})} \right).$$

Fundamental Limits: (n, M, λ) -Codes

An upper bound on the average error probability.

Theorem (Polyanskiy-Poor-Verdu-2010)

For all $P_{\mathbf{X}} \in \Delta(\mathcal{X}^n)$, there always exists an (n, M, λ) -code such that

$$\lambda < \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}} [\min\{1, (M - 1)\} \Pr [\iota(\bar{\mathbf{X}}, \mathbf{Y}) \geq \iota(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})]],$$

where for all $(\mathbf{x}, \bar{\mathbf{x}}, \mathbf{y}) \in \mathcal{X}^n \times \mathcal{X}^n \times \mathcal{Y}^n$,

$$P_{\bar{\mathbf{X}}\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{X}}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}) = P_{\bar{\mathbf{X}}}(\bar{\mathbf{x}})P_{\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x})P_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}) \quad (1)$$

and

$$\iota(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \log_2 \left(\frac{P_{\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x})}{P_{\mathbf{Y}}(\mathbf{y})} \right).$$



Is it easy to calculate these bounds?

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Even in the case in which for all $\mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{Y}^n$ and for all $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, M\}$,

$$P_{\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}=\mathbf{u}_t}(\mathbf{y}) = \prod_{t=1}^n P_{Y|X=\mathbf{u}_t(i)}(y_t) \quad ?$$

Fundamental Limits – Main Questions

In **memoryless channels**, for all $\mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{Y}^n$ and for all $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, M\}$,

$$P_{\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}=\mathbf{u}_t}(\mathbf{y}) = \prod_{t=1}^n P_{Y|X=u_t(i)}(y_t),$$

it follows that

$$\iota(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \log_2 \left(\frac{P_{\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x})}{P_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x})} \right) = \sum_{t=1}^n \log_2 \left(\frac{P_{Y|X}(y_t|x_t)}{P_X(x_t)} \right) = \sum_{t=1}^n \iota(x_t, y_t),$$

and thus, the random variable $\iota(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})$, with $(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) \sim P_{\mathbf{X}\mathbf{Y}}$ is formed by the **sum of n i.i.d. random variables** $\iota(X, Y)$, with $(X, Y) \sim P_{XY}$.

Fundamental Limits – Sums of i.i.d. Random Variables

Theorem (Berry-Esseen (Feller-1971))

Let Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n be i.i.d random variables with probability distribution P_Y , mean μ , variance ν , and third absolute central moment ξ . Then, the CDF of the random variable $X_n = Y_1 + Y_2 + \dots + Y_n$, denoted by F_{X_n} , satisfies

$$\sup_{a \in \mathbb{R}} |F_{X_n}(a) - F_{Z_n}(a)| \leq \min \left(1, \frac{c \xi}{\sqrt{n} \nu^3} \right),$$

where $c = 0.476$ (Shevtsova-2011) and F_{Z_n} is the CDF of a Gaussian random variable with the same mean and variance as X_n .

$\frac{c \xi}{\sqrt{n} \nu^3} \geq 4 \cdot 10^{-3}$ for $n = 10^4$ (URLLC targets errors of order 10^{-6}).

How to solve the precision problem ?

Fundamental Limits – Sums of i.i.d. Random Variables

Theorem (Anade-Gorce-Mary-Perlaza-2020)

Let Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n be i.i.d. random variables with probability distribution P_Y and cumulant generating function K_Y . Let also F_{X_n} be the CDF of the random variable $X_n = Y_1 + Y_2 + \dots + Y_n$. Hence, for all a element of the interior of the convex hull of $\text{supp } P_{X_n}$, it holds that

$$\left| F_{X_n}(a) - \hat{F}_{X_n}(a) \right| \leq \exp(nK_Y(\theta^*) - \theta^* a) \min \left(1, \frac{2c \xi_Y(\theta^*)}{(K_Y^{(2)}(\theta^*))^{3/2} \sqrt{n}} \right),$$

with

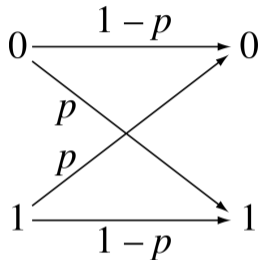
$$\hat{F}_{X_n}(a) = \mathbb{1}_{\{\theta^* > 0\}} + (-1)^{\mathbb{1}_{\{\theta^* > 0\}}} \exp\left(nK_Y(\theta^*) - \theta^* a + \frac{1}{2} \theta^{*2} nK_Y^{(2)}(\theta^*)\right) Q\left(|\theta^*| \sqrt{nK_Y^{(2)}(\theta^*)}\right),$$

$$\xi_Y(\theta^*) = \mathbb{E}_{P_Y} \left[|Y - K_Y^{(1)}(\theta^*)|^3 \exp(\theta^* Y - K_Y(\theta^*)) \right], \text{ and } nK_Y^{(1)}(\theta^*) = a,$$

where the functions $K_Y^{(1)}$ and $K_Y^{(2)}$ are respectively the first and second derivatives of the function K_Y ; the function Q is the complementary CDF of the Gaussian random variable with mean zero and unit variance; and $c = 0.476$.

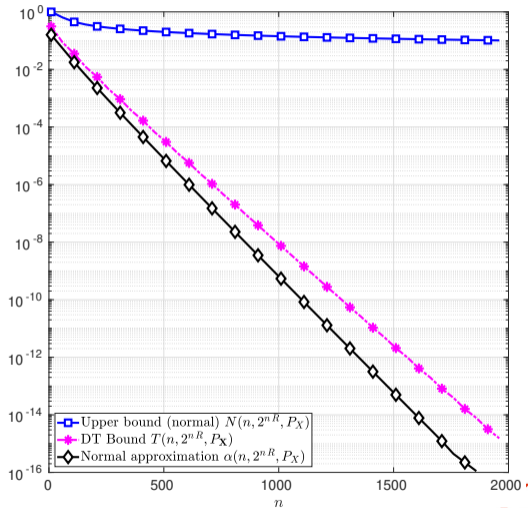
$(nK_Y(\theta^*) - \theta^* a)$ is a negative decreasing function of $|a - E_{P_{X_n}}[X_n]|$

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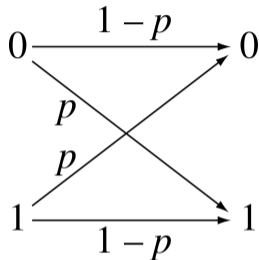


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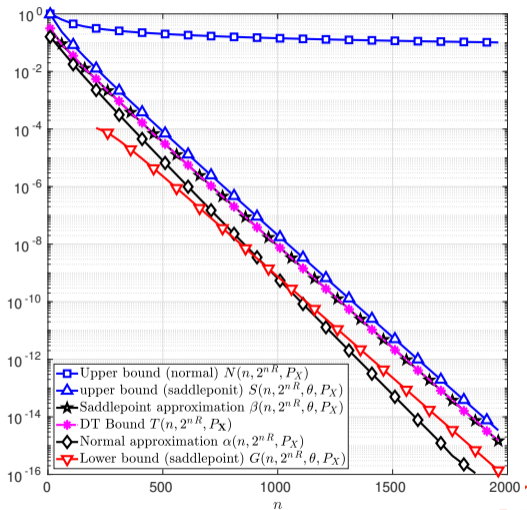


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