

LECTURE 4

TODAY

- COMPRESSION

- SINGLE SHOT: SHANNON + HUFFMAN

- UNIVERSAL: (Start Lempel-Ziv).

- MARKOV SOURCES + HIDDEN MARKOV MODELS

UP TO NOW: Asymptotic 'Compression

Compress n i.i.d. variable X_1, \dots, X_n

SINGLE-SHOT:

- Sender + Receiver know P_x ; design E, D

- Sender gets $X \sim P_x$

- Must send $E(x) \in \{0,1\}^*$ to receiver

- Receiver decodes $\hat{X} = D(E(x))$.

- Want $\hat{X} = X$ & minimize $E[|E(x)|]$
 $X \sim P_x$

Two Solutions

① ~~S~~ [Shannon] (Note this is in contrast to his solution for asymptotic compression)

~~Sender~~. let $l_i \triangleq \lceil \log \frac{1}{p_i} \rceil$ $\Sigma = \{1, \dots, m\}$
prefix-free

- Design (by Kraft sufficient), $E: \Sigma \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^*$
s.t. $E(i) \in \{0, 1\}^{l_i}$
- send $E(x)$.

Performance:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_x} [|E(x)|] &= \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_x} \left[\lceil \log \frac{1}{P(x)} \rceil \right] \\ &\leq \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_x} \left[\log \frac{1}{P(x)} + 1 \right] \\ &= 1 + \mathbb{E}_{x \sim P_x} \left[\log \frac{1}{P(x)} \right] \\ &= 1 + H(x) \end{aligned}$$

Optimal to within 1 bit!

[Note: follows from Shannon's asymptotic theorem that no prefix-free scheme achieves $< H(x)$.

HUFFMAN

Recursive algorithm $(P_1 \dots P_n)$

- Sort $P_1 \geq P_2 \geq \dots P_n$

- Combine P_{n-1} & P_n to form new element \leftarrow

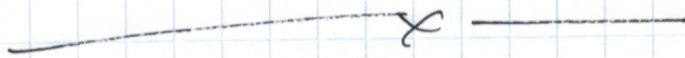
get Q_1, Q_2, \dots, Q_{n-1}

with $Q_i = P_i$

except $Q_{n-1} = P_{n-1} + P_n$

- $E' \leftarrow$ Huffman-code $(Q_1 \dots Q_n)$;

$E(i) = E'(i)$ except $E(n-1) = 0 \cdot E'(n-1)$
& $E(n) = 1 \cdot E'(n-1)$



Theorem : Huffman is optimal $\forall P$.

Proof :

Ingredients ① : if $P_1 \geq P_2 \geq \dots P_n$ then $l_1 \leq l_2 \leq \dots l_n$

Proof: ~~Some~~ Else swap l_i, l_j & get cost that is no more \square

② $l_{n-1} = l_n$: Proof look at tree. ~~Child~~ leaf at depth l_n must have sibling;

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W.l.o.g P_{n-1} & P_n are siblings.

③ "Optimal Substructure":

$$q_1 = p_1 \dots q_{n-2} = p_{n-2} \quad q_{n-1} = p_{n-1} + p_n$$

Optimal tree for $p_1 \dots p_n$ with siblings p_{n-1} & p_n is also optimal tree for $q_1 \dots q_{n-1}$ with parent(p_n) as leaf.

④ Induction



UNIVERSAL CODING: How do gzip, zip, ... work?

- Single file to compress; No distribution? ; Produces something smaller!
- Central Algorithm: Lempel-Ziv + variations
 - works well empirically
 - has a "Theorem"!

Algorithm: Input $w \in \Sigma^*$ $\Sigma =$ finite alphabet

- Break w into $s_0 \circ s_1 \circ s_2 \circ s_3 \dots \circ s_m$
- where \circ denotes concatenation of strings
- $s_0 =$ empty string; $s_i = s_{j_i} \circ b_i$ where $j_i < i$ & $b_i \in \Sigma$;
- Compression of $w =$ Encoding of j_1, j_2, \dots, j_m & b_1, \dots, b_m in any reasonable prefix-free

De"compressing" : $(j_1 \dots j_m)$
 $b_1 \dots b_m$

- Can compute for $i = 1$ to m

$$S_i = S_{j_i} \circ b_i$$

- Output $S_1 \circ S_2 \circ \dots \circ S_m$

How well does this perform?

- Case 1: $W_1 \dots W_n$ i.i.d. over P distribution over Σ .

Claim: Expected length of compression = $(1 + o(1)) \cdot H(P)$

(Proof later)

- More Impressive

Case 2: $W_1 \dots W_n$ drawn from "Hidden Markov Model"

\Rightarrow Expected length of compression = $(1 + o(1)) \cdot H(M)$

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entropy of chain

Need to Define: ① "Hidden Markov Model"

② Entropy $H(M)$ of Hidden Markov Model.

Markov Chain

• $Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_n, \dots$ form a (time-invariant) Markov Chain

$$\text{if } \Pr \left[\overset{Z}{\cancel{Z}}_i \mid \overset{Z}{\cancel{Z}}_1 \dots \overset{Z}{\cancel{Z}}_{i-1} \right] = \Pr \left[\overset{Z}{\cancel{Z}}_i \mid \overset{Z}{\cancel{Z}}_{i-1} = \alpha_{i-1} \right]$$

$$= \alpha_1 \dots \alpha_{i-1} = \Pr \left[\overset{Z}{\cancel{Z}}_i \mid \overset{Z}{\cancel{Z}}_{j-1} = \alpha_{i-1} \right]$$

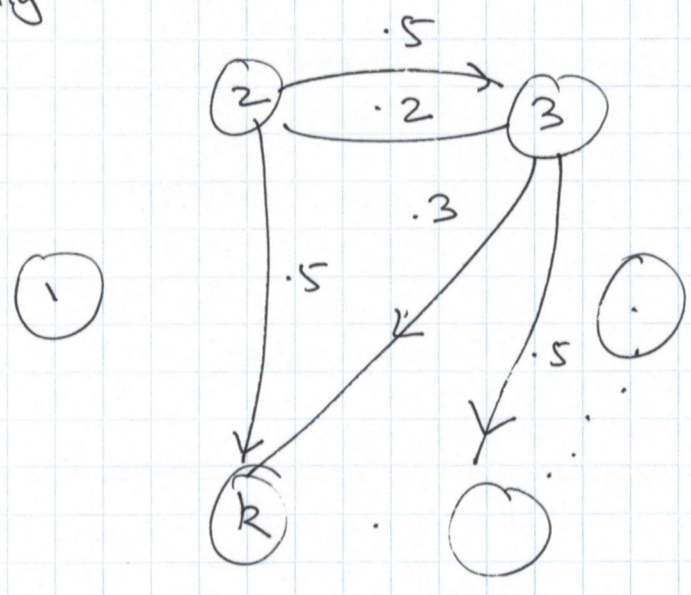
• Conditioned on last "state" Z_{i-1} , distribution of Z_i doesn't depend on past.

• if $Z_i \in \Omega = \{1, \dots, k\}$

- Markov chain specified by matrix: $M \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}$

$$M_{ij} = \Pr [Z_2 = i \mid Z_1 = j]$$

- Pictorially



etc.

Entropy (Rate) of Markov Chain: M

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} H(Z_n | Z_{n-1}, \dots, Z_1)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} H(Z_n | Z_{n-1})$$

$$= H(Z_2 | Z_1) \quad \left[\text{corr. \# to \# bits needed to describe } Z_n \text{ given } Z_1 \dots Z_{n-1} \right]$$

Simplifying setting: M is irreducible (path from every state to every other state)

& aperiodic (gcd(cycle lengths) = 1).

(unique)

• ~~Assume~~ if so MC has a stationary distribution $\pi = \pi(M)$

s.t. if $Z_{i-1} \sim \pi$ then $Z_i \sim \pi$.

• Assume $Z_1 \sim \pi$.

• Theorem [Shannon]: Can compute Entropy rate of Markov Chain $H(M)$ given M .

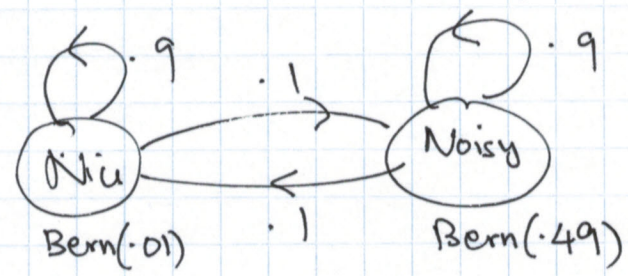
Hidden Markov Models

Specified by ① Markov Chain M on R states = ~~Γ~~ Γ
 ② Distributions $\{P_r\}_{r \in \Gamma}$ supported on Σ

Generates sequence $X_1 \dots X_n$ as follows

- ① Pick $Z_1 \sim \pi$ (stationary prob. of M)
- ② Generate $Z_i | Z_{i-1}$ according to M
- ③ Generate $X_i \sim P_{Z_i}$

Example:



• Entropy of HMM M

$$H(M) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left\{ H(X_n | X_{n-1} \dots X_1) \right\}$$

• Limit exists! $\forall n \quad H(X_n | X_{n-1} \dots X_1) \leq H(X_{n-1} | X_{n-2} \dots X_1)$

NEXT LECTURE: Analysis of L-2 on HMM.