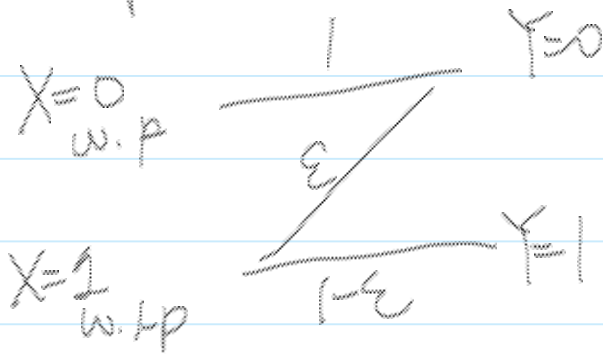


$$= E_X \left(D(P_{Y|X}(\cdot|X) \| P_Y(\cdot)) \right)$$

Example: The capacity of a Z channel



Step 1: Assume the prior distribution P_X

Step 2: Evaluate $I(X; Y)$

$$= E_{XY} \left(\log \frac{P_{XY}(X, Y)}{P_X(X) \cdot P_Y(Y)} \right)$$

$$(X, Y) = (0, 0)$$

$$(1, 0)$$

$$I(X; Y) = p \log \frac{p}{p \cdot (p + \epsilon(1-p))} + \epsilon(1-p) \log \frac{(1-p)\epsilon}{(1-p)(p + \epsilon(1-p))} \\ + (1-p) \log \frac{(1-p)(1-\epsilon)}{(1-p)(1-p)(1-\epsilon)}$$

$$\text{Step 3: } \max_p I(X; Y)$$

$$p^* = \frac{1 - \epsilon^{\frac{1}{1-\epsilon}}}{1 + (1-\epsilon)\epsilon^{\frac{\epsilon}{1-\epsilon}}}$$

Example: Consider a BPSK system over an i.i.d. channel.

I.e. $X_i = (-1)^{b_i} \cdot a$ b_i is the i -th bit.

$$Y_i = X_i + N_i$$

N_i : I.i.d. Gaussian $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$

Q: Find out the optimal achievable rate of this channel.

Ans: Step 1: Design the marginal prob p_X

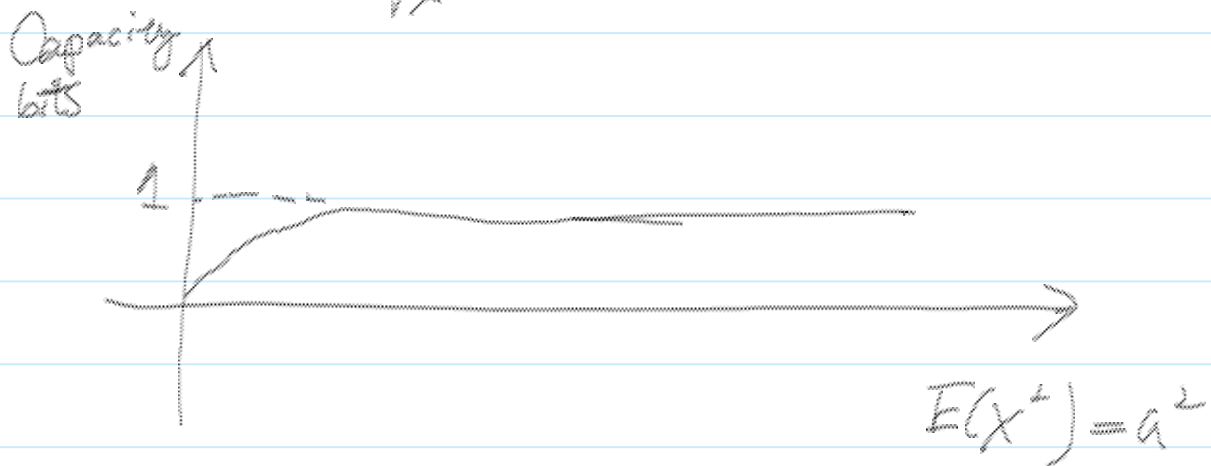
$$\text{Say } P(X=a) = p \quad P(X=-a) = (1-p)$$

Step 2: $I(X; Y)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= E_{XY} \left(\log \frac{P_{XY}(X, Y)}{P_X(X)P_Y(Y)} \right) \\
 &= \sum_{X=0,1} \int_{Y=-\infty}^{\infty} P(X=X) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(Y-X)^2}{2}} \cdot \log \left(\frac{P(X=X) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(Y-X)^2}{2}}}{P(X=X) \left(P(X=0) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(Y-0)^2}{2}} + P(X=1) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(Y-1)^2}{2}} \right)} \right) dY
 \end{aligned}$$

This can be evaluated numerically for any p values.

Step 3: $\max_{P_X} I(X; Y)$



The second example

Find out the channel capacity of an i.i.d Gaussian channel

$N_i \sim \text{Gsn}(0, 1)$ with the "Power constraint γ ". Here X_i does not need to be of antipodal values but only need to satisfy $E(X^2) \leq \gamma$.

Ans: Step 1: Choose any P_X satisfying $E(X^2) \leq \gamma$

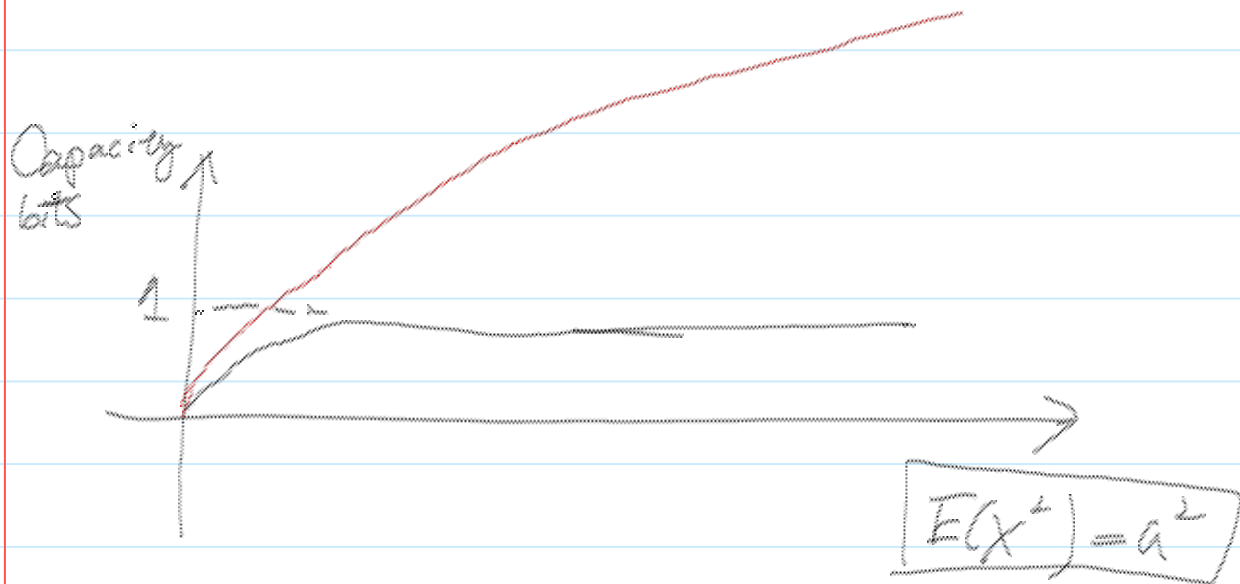
Step 2: Find $I(X; Y)$

Step 3: $\max_{P_X: E(X^2) \leq \gamma} I(X; Y)$

With power constraint: $p^* \sim \text{Gsn}(0, \gamma)$

Capacity = $I_{P_X^*}(X; Y)$ (bits per symbol usage)

$$= \frac{1}{2} \log(1 + \gamma) \quad \leftarrow \text{(exercise)}$$



We can also impose different constraints on P_X , ex: $P(|X| > M) = 0$

Question: How to achieve the "capacity" of BPSK?

How to achieve the capacity of arbitrary P_X ?

Given any Signal to Noise Ratio

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 $\Rightarrow I(X; Y)$ is a function of SNR
and any code with good performance
must have rate $r < I(X; Y)$

* If we use logarithm with base 2,
then we have 2^{rn} distinct codewords in S_x^n

Alternatively,

given any code of rate r ,

the good performance happens when
SNR satisfying $I(X; Y) > r$

* In error-control coding, we usually
study the alternative question by plotting
the error rate vs. SNR curve

Illustration:

SNR vs error-rates for

different codes of the same
rate