Discussion on the properties of diversity functions

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Morales et al. [2020], Stirling [2007], Smith and Wilson [1996], Hurley and Rickard [2009]



- 1. Most diversity functions come from ecology, can we use them?
- 2. Among contradictory properties, which are desirable?

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Example 2

"Does this mean that for June for a certain portion of July we should not do anything and just <u>make adjustments</u> [1] on a <u>going forward</u> [2] basis (and assume everything will <u>work out</u> [3] at month end)?", email-enronsent44_01-0026

Flavours of diversity

- Variety: how many types there are
- Balance: how even their distribution is
- Disparity: how fundamentally different they are

Lion-Bouton et al. [2022]



Concept		Possible types	Possible items
		MWE classes (VID, LVC, VPC,)	Canonical forms
	Multi-Word Expressions Named Entitites	Canonical forms	All observed forms
Segment annotation		All observed forms	Instances
		Named entity classes (PER, ORG, LOC,)	Standardised forms
		Standardised entities	All observed forms
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Syntactic dependencies		Dependency type	
		Dependency type + parent element	Instances
		Dependency type + child element	

Base distribution



Convergence to equilibrium (1)



Increase in diversity?

Convergence to equilibrium (2)

Global convergence



Increase in diversity?

Convergence to equilibrium (3)



Increase in diversity?

Convergence to equilibrium (4)



Adding new types (1)



Adding new types (2)



Behaviour in specific distributions



Other (1): scale invariance



Other (2): shuffle invariance



Aggregate diversity indices (1)



Aggregate diversity indices (2): Monotonicity of variety



Aggregate diversity indices (3): Monotonicity of balance



Aggregate diversity indices (4): Monotonicity of disparity



Aggregate diversity indices (5): Scaling of variety



Aggregate diversity indices (6): Scaling of disparity



Behaviour depending on Zipfian parameters (1)





For the sake of readability, n = 1000 in the upper figure, and n = 20 in the lower figures.



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