1 Supplementary Material: Complete Proof of Theorem 4

Define two new functions \widetilde{L}_{λ} and \widetilde{H}_{α} as

$$\widetilde{L}_{\lambda} := \frac{1}{\lambda - 1} \left[\sum_{j \in \mathcal{L}} \pi_{\Theta_j} \lambda^{d_j} - 1 \right] = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{L}} \pi_{\Theta_j} \left[\sum_{h=0}^{d_j - 1} \lambda^h \right]$$
$$\widetilde{H}_{\alpha} := 1 - \frac{1}{\left(\sum_{k=1}^K \pi_{\Theta^k}^\alpha \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}},$$

where \widetilde{L}_{λ} is related to the cost function $L_{\lambda}(\Pi)$ as

$$\lambda^{L_{\lambda}(\Pi)} = (\lambda - 1)\widetilde{L}_{\lambda} + 1, \tag{1}$$

and \widetilde{H}_{α} is related to the α -Rényi entropy $H_{\alpha}(\Pi_{\mathbf{y}})$ as

$$H_{\alpha}(\Pi_{\mathbf{y}}) = \frac{1}{1-\alpha} \log_2 \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{\Theta^k}^{\alpha} = \frac{1}{\alpha \log_2 \lambda} \log_2 \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{\Theta^k}^{\alpha} = \log_\lambda \left(\sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{\Theta^k}^{\alpha} \right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}$$
(2a)

$$\implies \lambda^{H_{\alpha}(\Pi_{\mathbf{y}})} = \left(\sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{\Theta^{k}}^{\alpha}\right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} = \left(\sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{\Theta^{k}}^{\alpha}\right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \widetilde{H}_{\alpha} + 1 \tag{2b}$$

where we use the definition of α , i.e., $\alpha = \frac{1}{1 + \log_2 \lambda}$ in (2a).

Now, we note from Lemma 1 that \widetilde{L}_{λ} can be decomposed as

$$\widetilde{L}_{\lambda} = \sum_{a \in \mathcal{I}} \lambda^{d_a} \pi_{\Theta_a}$$
$$\implies \lambda^{L_{\lambda}(\Pi)} = 1 + \sum_{a \in \mathcal{I}} (\lambda - 1) \lambda^{d_a} \pi_{\Theta_a}$$
(3)

where d_a denotes the depth of internal node 'a' in the tree T. Similarly, note from Lemma 2 that \widetilde{H}_{α} can be decomposed as

$$\widetilde{H}_{\alpha} = \frac{1}{\left(\sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{\Theta^{k}}^{\alpha}\right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} \sum_{a \in \mathcal{I}} \left[\pi_{\Theta_{a}} \mathcal{D}_{\alpha}(\Theta_{a}) - \pi_{\Theta_{l(a)}} \mathcal{D}_{\alpha}(\Theta_{l(a)}) - \pi_{\Theta_{r(a)}} \mathcal{D}_{\alpha}(\Theta_{r(a)}) \right]$$
$$\implies \lambda^{H_{\alpha}(\Pi_{\mathbf{y}})} = 1 + \sum_{a \in \mathcal{I}} \left[\pi_{\Theta_{a}} \mathcal{D}_{\alpha}(\Theta_{a}) - \pi_{\Theta_{l(a)}} \mathcal{D}_{\alpha}(\Theta_{l(a)}) - \pi_{\Theta_{r(a)}} \mathcal{D}_{\alpha}(\Theta_{r(a)}) \right].$$
(4)

Finally, the result follows from (3) and (4) above.

Lemma 1. The function \widetilde{L}_{λ} can be decomposed over the internal nodes in a tree T, as

$$\widetilde{L}_{\lambda} = \sum_{a \in \mathcal{I}} \lambda^{d_a} \pi_{\Theta_a}$$

where d_a denotes the depth of internal node $a \in \mathcal{I}$ and π_{Θ_a} is the probability mass of the objects at that node.

Proof. Let T_a denote a subtree from any internal node 'a' in the tree T and let $\mathcal{I}_a, \mathcal{L}_a$ denote the set of internal nodes and leaf nodes in the subtree T_a , respectively. Then, define \tilde{L}^a_λ in the subtree T_a to be

$$\widetilde{L}^{a}_{\lambda} = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{L}_{a}} \frac{\pi_{\Theta_{j}}}{\pi_{\Theta_{a}}} \left[\sum_{h=0}^{d_{j}^{a}-1} \lambda^{h} \right]$$

where d_j^a denotes the depth of leaf node $j \in \mathcal{L}_a$ in the subtree T_a .

Now, we show using induction that for any subtree T_a in the tree T, the following relation holds

$$\pi_{\Theta_a} \tilde{L}^a_\lambda = \sum_{s \in \mathcal{I}_a} \lambda^{d^a_s} \pi_{\Theta_s} \tag{5}$$

where d_s^a denotes the depth of internal node $s \in \mathcal{I}_a$ in the subtree T_a .

The relation holds trivially for any subtree T_a rooted at an internal node $a \in \mathcal{I}$ whose both child nodes terminate as leaf nodes, with both the left hand side and the right hand side of the expression equal to π_{Θ_a} . Now, consider a subtree T_a rooted at an internal node $a \in \mathcal{I}$ whose left child (or right child) alone terminates as a leaf node. Assume that the above relation holds true for the subtree rooted at the right child of node 'a'. Then,

$$\pi_{\Theta_a} \widetilde{L}^a_{\lambda} = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{L}_a} \pi_{\Theta_j} \left[\sum_{h=0}^{d_j^a - 1} \lambda^h \right]$$
$$= \sum_{\{j \in \mathcal{L}_a: d_j^a = 1\}} \pi_{\Theta_j} + \sum_{\{j \in \mathcal{L}_a: d_j^a > 1\}} \pi_{\Theta_j} \left[\sum_{h=0}^{d_j^a - 1} \lambda^h \right]$$
$$= \pi_{\Theta_{l(a)}} + \sum_{\{j \in \mathcal{L}_a: d_j^a > 1\}} \pi_{\Theta_j} \left[1 + \lambda \sum_{h=0}^{d_j^a - 2} \lambda^h \right]$$
$$= \pi_{\Theta_a} + \lambda \sum_{j \in \mathcal{L}_{r(a)}} \pi_{\Theta_j} \left[\sum_{h=0}^{d_j^{r(a)} - 1} \lambda^h \right]$$
$$= \pi_{\Theta_a} + \lambda \sum_{s \in \mathcal{I}_{r(a)}} \lambda^{d_s^{r(a)}} \pi_{\Theta_s}$$

where the last step follows from the induction hypothesis. Finally, consider a subtree T_a rooted at an internal node $a \in \mathcal{I}$ whose neither child node terminates as a leaf node. Assume that the relation in (5) holds true for the subtrees rooted at its left and right child nodes. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_{\Theta_a} \widetilde{L}^a_\lambda &= \sum_{j \in \mathcal{L}_a} \pi_{\Theta_j} \left[\sum_{h=0}^{d_j^a - 1} \lambda^h \right] \\ &= \sum_{j \in \mathcal{L}_{l(a)}} \pi_{\Theta_j} \left[1 + \lambda \sum_{h=0}^{d_j^a - 2} \lambda^h \right] + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{L}_{r(a)}} \pi_{\Theta_j} \left[1 + \lambda \sum_{h=0}^{d_j^a - 2} \lambda^h \right] \\ &= \pi_{\Theta_a} + \lambda \sum_{j \in \mathcal{L}_{l(a)}} \pi_{\Theta_j} \left[\sum_{h=0}^{d_j^{l(a)} - 1} \lambda^h \right] + \lambda \sum_{j \in \mathcal{L}_{r(a)}} \pi_{\Theta_j} \left[\sum_{h=0}^{d_j^{r(a)} - 1} \lambda^h \right] \\ &= \pi_{\Theta_a} + \lambda \left[\sum_{s \in \mathcal{I}_{l(a)}} \lambda^{d_s^{l(a)}} \pi_{\Theta_s} + \sum_{s \in \mathcal{I}_{r(a)}} \lambda^{d_s^{r(a)}} \pi_{\Theta_s} \right] = \sum_{s \in \mathcal{I}_a} \lambda^{d_s^a} \pi_{\Theta_s} \end{aligned}$$

thereby completing the induction. Finally, the result follows by applying the relation in (5) to the tree T whose probability mass at the root node, $\pi_{\Theta_a} = 1$.

Lemma 2. The function H_{α} can be decomposed over the internal nodes in a tree T, as

$$\widetilde{H}_{\alpha} = \frac{1}{\left(\sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{\Theta^{k}}^{\alpha}\right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}} \sum_{a \in \mathcal{I}} \left[\pi_{\Theta_{a}} \mathcal{D}_{\alpha}(\Theta_{a}) - \pi_{\Theta_{l(a)}} \mathcal{D}_{\alpha}(\Theta_{l(a)}) - \pi_{\Theta_{r(a)}} \mathcal{D}_{\alpha}(\Theta_{r(a)}) \right]$$

where $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha}(\Theta_{a}) := \left[\sum_{k=1}^{K} \left(\frac{\pi_{\Theta_{a}^{k}}}{\pi_{\Theta_{a}}}\right)^{\alpha}\right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}$ and $\pi_{\Theta_{a}}$ denotes the probability mass of the objects at any internal node $a \in \mathcal{I}$.

Proof. Let T_a denote a subtree from any internal node 'a' in the tree T and let \mathcal{I}_a denote the set of internal nodes in the subtree T_a . Then, define \tilde{H}^a_{α} in a subtree T_a to be

$$\widetilde{H}_{\alpha}^{a} = 1 - \frac{\pi_{\Theta_{a}}}{\left[\sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{\Theta_{a}^{i}}^{\alpha}\right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}}$$

Now, we show using induction that for any subtree T_a in the tree T, the following relation holds

$$\left[\sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{\Theta_{a}^{k}}^{\alpha}\right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \widetilde{H}_{\alpha}^{a} = \sum_{s \in \mathcal{I}_{a}} \left[\pi_{\Theta_{s}} \mathcal{D}_{\alpha}(\Theta_{s}) - \pi_{\Theta_{l(s)}} \mathcal{D}_{\alpha}(\Theta_{l(s)}) - \pi_{\Theta_{r(s)}} \mathcal{D}_{\alpha}(\Theta_{r(s)})\right]$$
(6)

Note that the relation holds trivially for any subtree T_a rooted at an internal node $a \in \mathcal{I}$ whose both child nodes terminate as leaf nodes. Now, consider a subtree T_a rooted at any other internal node $a \in \mathcal{I}$. Assume the above relation holds true for the subtrees rooted at its left and right child nodes. Then,

$$\begin{split} \left[\sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{\Theta_{a}^{k}}^{\alpha}\right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \widetilde{H}_{\alpha}^{a} &= \left[\sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{\Theta_{a}^{k}}^{\alpha}\right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} - \pi_{\Theta_{a}} = \left[\sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{\Theta_{a}^{k}}^{\alpha}\right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} - \pi_{\Theta_{l(a)}} - \pi_{\Theta_{r(a)}} \\ &= \left[\sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{\Theta_{a}^{k}}^{\alpha}\right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} - \left[\sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{\Theta_{l(a)}^{k}}^{\alpha}\right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} - \left[\sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{\Theta_{r(a)}^{k}}^{\alpha}\right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \\ &+ \left(\left[\sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{\Theta_{l(a)}^{k}}^{\alpha}\right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} - \pi_{\Theta_{l(a)}}\right) + \left(\left[\sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{\Theta_{r(a)}^{k}}^{\alpha}\right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} - \pi_{\Theta_{r(a)}}\right) \\ &= \left[\pi_{\Theta_{a}} \mathcal{D}_{\alpha}(\Theta_{a}) - \pi_{\Theta_{l(a)}} \mathcal{D}_{\alpha}(\Theta_{l(a)}) - \pi_{\Theta_{r(a)}} \mathcal{D}_{\alpha}(\Theta_{r(a)})\right] \\ &+ \left[\sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{\Theta_{l(a)}^{k}}^{\alpha}\right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \widetilde{H}_{\alpha}^{l(a)} + \left[\sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{\Theta_{r(a)}^{k}}^{\alpha}\right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \widetilde{H}_{\alpha}^{r(a)} \\ &= \sum_{s \in \mathcal{I}_{a}} \left[\pi_{\Theta_{s}} \mathcal{D}_{\alpha}(\Theta_{s}) - \pi_{\Theta_{l(s)}} \mathcal{D}_{\alpha}(\Theta_{l(s)}) - \pi_{\Theta_{r(s)}} \mathcal{D}_{\alpha}(\Theta_{r(s)})\right] \end{split}$$

where the last step follows from the induction hypothesis. Finally, the result follows by applying the relation in (6) to the tree T.

2 Proof of Theorem 3

The result in Theorem 3 follows from the above result where each group is of size one, thereby reducing $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha}(\Theta_a)$ to

$$\mathcal{D}_{\alpha}(\Theta_{a}) = \left[\sum_{i=1}^{M} \left(\frac{\pi_{i}\mathbb{I}_{\{\theta_{i}\in\Theta_{a}\}}}{\pi_{\Theta_{a}}}\right)^{\alpha}\right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} = \left[\sum_{\{i:\theta_{i}\in\Theta_{a}\}} \left(\frac{\pi_{i}}{\pi_{\Theta_{a}}}\right)^{\alpha}\right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}},$$

where $\mathbb{I}_{\{\theta_i \in \Theta_a\}}$ is the indicator function which takes the value one when $\theta_i \in \Theta_a$, and zero otherwise.

3 Proof of Theorem 2

The result in Theorem 2 is a special case of that in Theorem 4 when $\lambda \to 1$. It follows by taking the logarithm to the base λ on both sides of equation

$$\lambda^{L_{\lambda}(\Pi)} = \lambda^{H_{\alpha}(\Pi_{\mathbf{y}})} + \sum_{a \in \mathcal{I}} \pi_{\Theta_{a}} \left[(\lambda - 1)\lambda^{d_{a}} - \mathcal{D}_{\alpha}(\Theta_{a}) + \frac{\pi_{\Theta_{l(a)}}}{\pi_{\Theta_{a}}} \mathcal{D}_{\alpha}(\Theta_{l(a)}) + \frac{\pi_{\Theta_{r(a)}}}{\pi_{\Theta_{a}}} \mathcal{D}_{\alpha}(\Theta_{r(a)}) \right],$$

and then finding the limit as $\lambda \to 1$.

Using L'Hôpital's rule, the left hand side (LHS) of the equation reduces to

$$\lim_{\lambda \to 1} \log_{\lambda} (\text{LHS}) = \lim_{\lambda \to 1} L_{\lambda}(\Pi) = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{L}} \pi_{\Theta_j} d_j,$$

where $L_{\lambda}(\Pi) = \log_{\lambda} \left(\sum_{j \in \mathcal{L}} \pi_{\Theta_j} \lambda^{d_j} \right)$. Similarly, the right hand side (RHS) of the equation reduces to

$$\begin{split} &\lim_{\lambda \to 1} \log_{\lambda}(\text{RHS}) = H(\Pi_{\mathbf{y}}) + \sum_{a \in \mathcal{I}} \pi_{\Theta_{a}} \left[1 - \left(H(\Theta_{a}) - \frac{\pi_{\Theta_{l}(a)}}{\pi_{\Theta_{a}}} H(\Theta_{l}(a)) - \frac{\pi_{\Theta_{r}(a)}}{\pi_{\Theta_{a}}} H(\Theta_{r}(a)) \right) \right], \\ &\text{where } H(\Theta_{a}) = -\sum_{k=1}^{K} \frac{\pi_{\Theta_{a}^{k}}}{\pi_{\Theta_{a}}} \log_{2} \left(\frac{\pi_{\Theta_{a}^{k}}}{\pi_{\Theta_{a}}} \right). \end{split}$$

Finally, the result follows by noticing that

$$H(\Theta_{a}) - \frac{\pi_{\Theta_{l}(a)}}{\pi_{\Theta_{a}}} H(\Theta_{l}(a)) - \frac{\pi_{\Theta_{r}(a)}}{\pi_{\Theta_{a}}} H(\Theta_{r}(a))$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi_{\Theta_{a}}} \left[\sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{\Theta_{a}^{k}} \log_{2} \left(\frac{\pi_{\Theta_{a}}}{\pi_{\Theta_{a}^{k}}} \right) - \pi_{\Theta_{l}^{k}(a)} \log_{2} \left(\frac{\pi_{\Theta_{l}(a)}}{\pi_{\Theta_{l}(a)}} \right) - \pi_{\Theta_{r}(a)} \log_{2} \left(\frac{\pi_{\Theta_{r}(a)}}{\pi_{\Theta_{r}(a)}} \right) \right] \quad (7a)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi_{\Theta_{a}}} \left[\sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{\Theta_{l}^{k}(a)} \log_{2} \left(\frac{\pi_{\Theta_{a}}}{\pi_{\Theta_{l}(a)}} \cdot \frac{\pi_{\Theta_{l}^{k}(a)}}{\pi_{\Theta_{a}^{k}}} \right) + \pi_{\Theta_{r}^{k}(a)} \log_{2} \left(\frac{\pi_{\Theta_{a}}}{\pi_{\Theta_{r}(a)}} \cdot \frac{\pi_{\Theta_{r}^{k}(a)}}{\pi_{\Theta_{a}^{k}}} \right) \right] \quad (7b)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi_{\Theta_{a}}} \left[\pi_{\Theta_{l(a)}} \log_{2} \left(\frac{\pi_{\Theta_{a}}}{\pi_{\Theta_{l(a)}}} \right) + \pi_{\Theta_{r(a)}} \log_{2} \left(\frac{\pi_{\Theta_{a}}}{\pi_{\Theta_{r(a)}}} \right) + \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{\Theta_{l(a)}^{k}} \log_{2} \left(\frac{\pi_{\Theta_{a}^{k}}}{\pi_{\Theta_{a}^{k}}} \right) + \pi_{\Theta_{r(a)}^{k}} \log_{2} \left(\frac{\pi_{\Theta_{a}^{k}}}{\pi_{\Theta_{a}^{k}}} \right) \right]$$
(7c)

$$=H(\rho_a) + \sum_{k=1}^{K} \frac{\pi_{\Theta_a^k}}{\pi_{\Theta_a}} H(\rho_a^k),$$
(7d)

where (7b) follows from (7a) by using the relation $\pi_{\Theta_a^k} = \pi_{\Theta_{l(a)}^k} + \pi_{\Theta_{r(a)}^k}$, and (7d) follows from (7c) using the definitions of ρ_a and ρ_a^k .

4 Proof of Theorem 1

The result in Theorem 1 follows from the above result where each group is of size one, thereby having $\rho_a^k = 1 \ \forall k$ at each internal node $a \in \mathcal{I}$. It can also be derived as the limiting case of the relation in Theorem 3 by taking logarithm to the base λ on both sides of the relation and letting $\lambda \to 1$.