

# Information Theory - Lecture 1,2,3

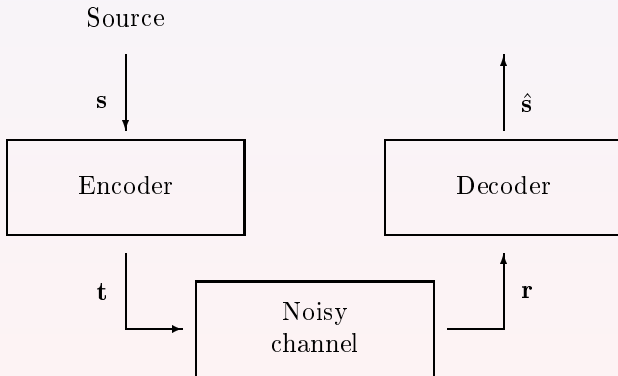
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What do you understand by Information Theory?

# Communication System



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# Bayes' theorem

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- 3 cards example
- The Monty Hall Paradox

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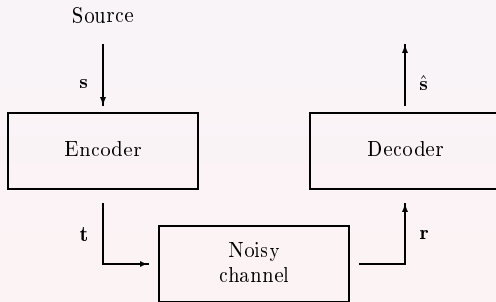
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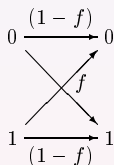
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# Error correction codes (Channel coding)





## BSC - Binary symmetric channel

eg:  $f = 0.1$ 

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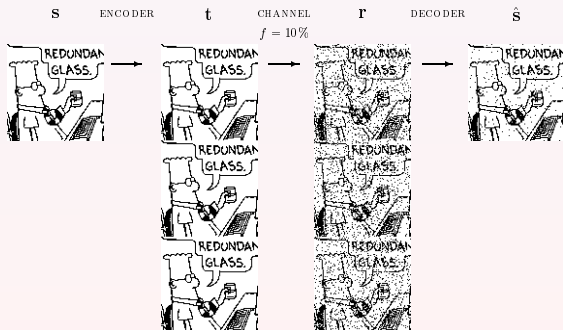
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- (7,4) Hamming code

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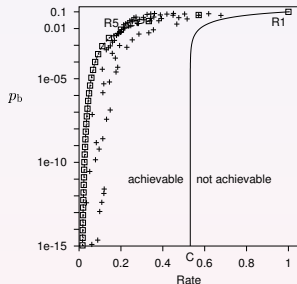
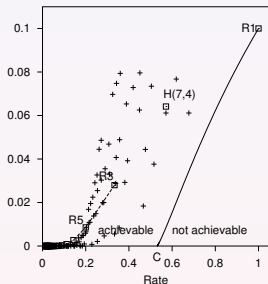
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# Shannon's theorem



$$\text{communication rate} = \frac{\# \text{ of bits sent}}{\# \text{ of bits transmitted}}$$

For any channel:

***Reliable communication is possible at rates up to  $C$ .***

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## ideas

- real sources has redundancy.
- describe an information source !
- formal definition = *random variable*
- ideal sources





# How to compress a redundant file ?

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010001000000001000010000010010100000000010010100000000
0001010101000000000010101010010000000010101001001000
0000000001010010101010000000010001000000001010101000
000000101001000000000000000000000000000000110000000000
000000000101010000001111000000000000000000000000110010
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$N = 1000$  tosses of a bent coin with  $p_1 = 0.1$

- How to measure the information content?
- How much compression should we expect is possible?

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# How to compress a redundant file ?

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010001000000001000010000010010100000000010010100000000  
0001010101000000000010101010010000000010101001001000  
0000000001010010101010000000010001000000001010101000  
00000010100100000000000000000000000000000000000000000000110000000000  
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## How to measure information content?

- Let  $X = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_n \\ p_1 & p_2 & \dots & p_n \end{pmatrix}$  be a random variable.
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- The **Entropy**

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# The weighing problem

**You are given 12 balls and a two-pan balance to use:**

- all equal in weight except for one that is either heavier or lighter.
- in each use of the balance you may put any number balls on the balance
- there are three possible outcomes:
  - either the weights are equal,
  - or the balls on the left are heavier,
  - or the balls on the left are lighter.

Design a strategy to determine which is the odd ball and whether it is heavier or lighter than the others in as few uses of the balance as possible.

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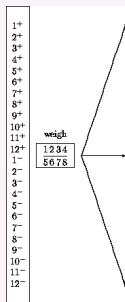


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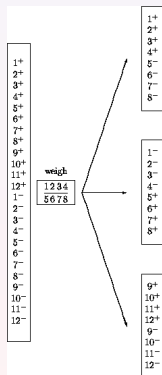


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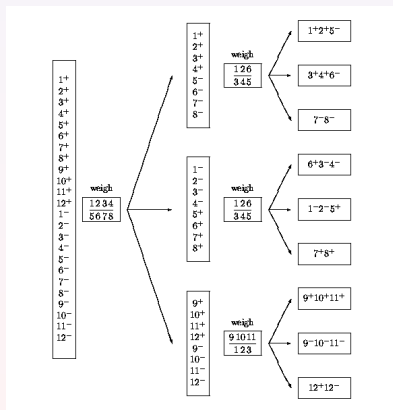


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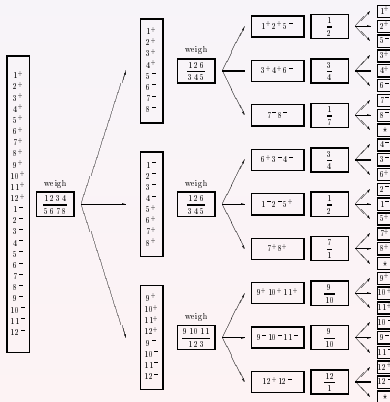


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# Uniform codes

0	00	000	0000
			0001
		001	0010
	0011		
	01	010	0100
			0101
011		0110	
		0111	
1	10	100	1000
			1001
		101	1010
	1011		
	11	110	1100
			1101
		111	1110
	1111		

# Symbol codes

$i$	$a_i$	$p_i$
1	a	0.0575
2	b	0.0128
3	c	0.0263
4	d	0.0285
5	e	0.0913
6	f	0.0173
7	g	0.0133
8	h	0.0313
9	i	0.0599
10	j	0.0006
11	k	0.0084
12	l	0.0335
13	m	0.0235
14	n	0.0596
15	o	0.0689
16	p	0.0192
17	q	0.0008
18	r	0.0508
19	s	0.0567
20	t	0.0706
21	u	0.0334
22	v	0.0069
23	w	0.0119
24	x	0.0073
25	y	0.0164
26	z	0.0007
27	-	0.1928



## some definitions

### Definition

A *code (source code)*  $C$  for a random variable  $X$  is a mapping from  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$  to  $\mathcal{D}^*$  the set of finite-length strings of symbols from an alphabet of length  $D$ .

Note:

- $C(x)$  the **codeword** of  $x$
- $l(x)$  the length of codeword  $C(x)$

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The expectation length  $L(C)$  of a source code  $C(X)$  for a random variable  $X$  with probability mass function  $p(x)$  is given by:

$$L(C) = \sum_{x_i} p(x_i) l(x_i) = \sum_i p_i l_i$$

## source code examples

### Example

ASCII codes

- 96 printable keyboard characters
- $\log(96) = ?$

# Symbol code example

## International Morse Code

1. The length of a dot is one unit.
2. A dash is three units.
3. The space between parts of the same letter is one unit.
4. The space between letters is three units.
5. The space between words is seven units.

A	• —	U	• • —
B	• • • •	V	• • • —
C	— • • —	W	• — • —
D	— • • •	X	• • • — •
E	•	Y	• — • — •
F	• • — •	Z	— • — • •
G	— • — •		
H	• • • •		
I	• •		
J	• — • — •		
K	— • • —	1	• — • — • —
L	• — • • •	2	• • • — • — •
M	— • — •	3	• • • • — • —
N	— • •	4	• • • • • —
O	— • — • —	5	• • • • • •
P	• — • — • •	6	• • • • • • •
Q	— • — • • •	7	• — • • • • •
R	• — • • •	8	• — • — • • •
S	• • • •	9	• — • — • — •
T	— •	0	— • — • — • —

## Definition

A code is called a *prefix code* or *instantaneous code* (*prefix-free code*) if no codeword is a prefix of any other codeword.



# Kraft-McMillan Inequality.

## Theorem

For any *uniquely decodable code*  $C$

$$\sum_{x \in C} 2^{-l(x)} \leq 1,$$

where  $l(x)$  is the length of the codeword. Also,  
for any set of lengths  $L$  such that:  $\sum_{l \in L} 2^{-l} \leq 1$ , there is a prefix  
code  $C$  of the same size such that  $l(x) = l_{i, i \in [1, \dots, |L|]}$

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# UTF-8, 16, 32

Bits of code point	First code point	Last code point	Bytes in sequence	Byte 1	Byte 2	Byte 3	Byte 4	Byte 5	Byte 6
<b>7</b>	U+0000	U+007F	1	0xxxxxxx					
<b>11</b>	U+0080	U+07FF	2	110xxxxx	10xxxxxx				
<b>16</b>	U+0800	U+FFFF	3	1110xxxx	10xxxxxx	10xxxxxx			
<b>21</b>	U+10000	U+1FFFFF	4	11110xxx	10xxxxxx	10xxxxxx	10xxxxxx		
<b>26</b>	U+200000	U+3FFFFFFF	5	111110xx	10xxxxxx	10xxxxxx	10xxxxxx	10xxxxxx	
<b>31</b>	U+4000000	U+7FFFFFFF	6	1111110x	10xxxxxx	10xxxxxx	10xxxxxx	10xxxxxx	10xxxxxx



# Source Coding Theorem

## Theorem

*There exists a variable-length encoding  $C$  of an ensemble  $X$  such that the average length of an encoded symbol  $L(C, X)$  satisfy:*

$$H(X) \leq L(C, X) < H(X) + 1.$$