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REMINDERS

(*) Mini project report due by 11:59pm on Wed

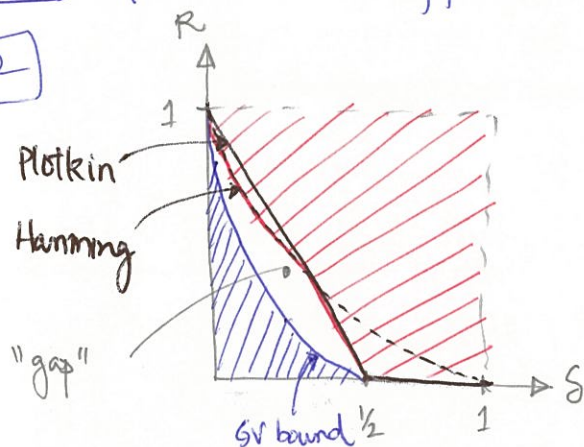
- ALL group members INDIVIDUALLY submit the SAME PDF
- Make sure to follow all instructions for the report

RECAP

Big Q: Optimal tradeoff between R & δ

(Recall: worst-case noise model due to Hamming)

$q=2$



Plan for today (1) Switch gears from worst-case noise model

(2) Noise model pioneered by Shannon

← Things are pretty different compared to worst-case noise model

→ Memoryless

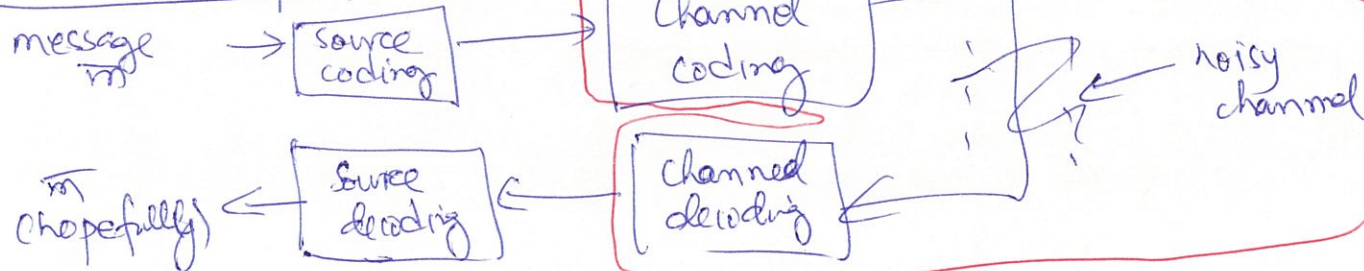
→ (Fully specified) random model

Shannon's 1948 paper

(*) Noisy channel (channel coding): Our setup except ~~is~~ noise not worst-case (stochastic)

(*) Noiseless channel (source coding): No noise during transmission
⇒ do compression

General setup:



In Shannon's setup: One can decouple channel & source coding
(ie optimize both separately)
(more on channel coding next.)

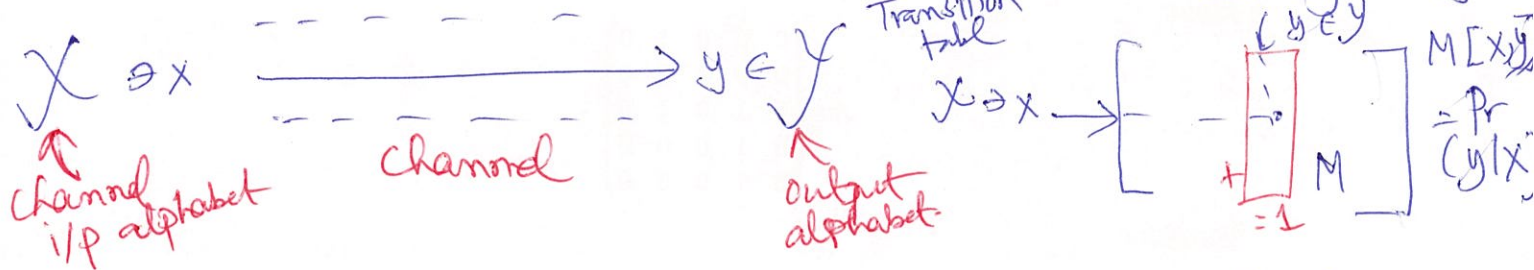
Source coding: notion of entropy is the "right" notion of how compressible a message is.

Shannon's noise model

$$\sum_{i=1}^N p_i \log \frac{1}{p_i}$$

$(p_1, \dots, p_N)$

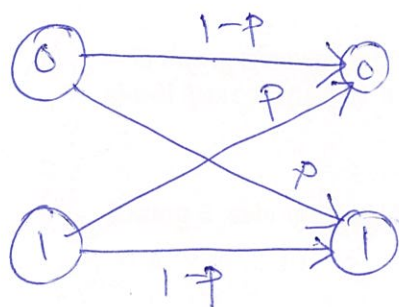
Memoryless: same noise function acts independently on the n transmitted symbols



① Binary symmetric channel ($0 \leq p \leq 1$)

$X = Y = \{0, 1\}$

cross over prob.



= each bit gets flipped w.p. p

$$\begin{matrix} & 0 & 1 \\ \begin{matrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 1-p & p \\ p & 1-p \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

Ex: Can assume $0 \leq p \leq \frac{1}{2}$.

Why? $A: p \geq \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow 1-p \leq \frac{1}{2}$

$\Rightarrow$ reduces to flipping bits $0 \leq p < \frac{1}{2}$ case

② q -ary symmetric channel qSC_p
($q \geq 2 \rightarrow BSC_p$)

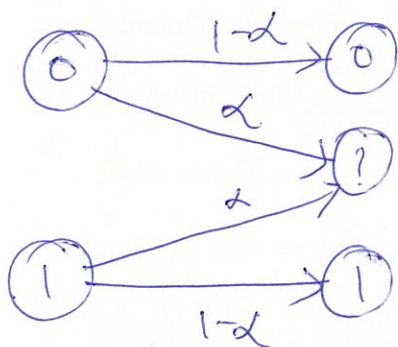
$$X = Y = \{0, \dots, q-1\} \quad q \geq 2 \text{ int.}$$

$$M[X, Y] = \Pr(y \text{ rec'd} | x \text{ transmitted})$$

$$= \begin{cases} 1-p & x=y \\ \frac{p}{q-1} & x \neq y \end{cases}$$

③ Binary Erasure channel:

$$X = \{0, 1\} \quad Y = \{0, 1, ?\}$$



= each bit gets erased w.p. α

See book for example where X/Y is infinite

Error correction

BSC_p: → There is $\neq 0$ prob that a codeword ~~gets~~ is received as another valid codeword.

BEC_α: There is non-zero prob (α^n) that all bits get erased
 $\hookrightarrow \left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right)^n = 2^{-\left(\log_2 \frac{1}{\alpha}\right)n}$

WANT! → Every message can be decoded w.p. $1 - f(n)$
 Let $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(n) = 0$ Ideally: $f(n) = 2^{-\Omega(n)}$

Shannon's general result

Big: R vs error → error parameter
 $qSG \rightarrow p$ α : BEC_α

Shannon's "thm" (informal) For every channel there is a

specific number $0 \leq C \leq 1$ s.t.

(*) $\forall R < C \Rightarrow (\exists \text{ code})$

(*) $\forall R > C \Rightarrow (\nexists \text{ codes})$

$C \rightarrow$ capacity of channel.

← dec. error prob $2^{-\Omega(n)}$
 reliable communication
 reliable communication is not possible

Next: Capacity thm for BSCp

Notation: $\bar{e} \sim \text{BSCp}$ $\bar{e} \in \{0,1\}^n$ s.t. $\forall i \in [n] = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{w.p. } p \\ 0 & \text{w.p. } 1-p \end{cases}$

$E(\bar{m}) + \bar{e} \rightarrow$ valid received word

Shannon's capacity thm for BSCp

$$0 \leq p < \frac{1}{2}, \quad 0 \leq \epsilon \leq 1 - H(p).$$

Following is true for large enough n :

(1) $\exists \delta > 0$, an encoding function $E: \{0,1\}^k \rightarrow \{0,1\}^n$
a decoding ——— $D: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}^k$

for $k \leq \lfloor (1 - H(p) - \epsilon)n \rfloor$ s.t.

$$\forall \bar{m} \in \{0,1\}^k$$

$$\Pr_{\bar{e} \sim \text{BSCp}} [D(E(\bar{m}) + \bar{e}) \neq \bar{m}] \leq 2^{-\delta n}$$

(2) If $k \geq \lceil (1 - H(p) + \epsilon)n \rceil$ then

$$\forall E: \{0,1\}^k \rightarrow \{0,1\}^n \quad D: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}^k$$

$$\exists \bar{m} \in \{0,1\}^k$$

$$\Pr_{\bar{e} \sim \text{BSCp}} [D(E(\bar{m}) + \bar{e}) \neq \bar{m}] \geq \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\rightarrow 1 - 2^{-\beta n}$$

$\Rightarrow$ capacity of BSCp: $1 - H(p) \leftarrow$ prove later

$$\text{QSG: } 1 - H(p)$$

$$\text{BEE}_\alpha: 1 - \alpha$$