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Tutorial 02 Solution

**Question 1:** Consider a 3-symbol source data sequence: {A, B, C, B, B, A, B, C, A, B}. Encode the source using the below codes respectively.

- (a) Shannon-Fano code
- (b) Huffman code
- (c) 3-bit Tunstall code
- (d) 3-bit Tunstall/Huffman code

For each code,

- (i) Show the code table.
- (ii) Show the encoded string and its length.
- (iii) Compute the expected redundancy and efficiency for the code.
- (iv) Compute the effective redundancy and efficiency for this source.

Symbol occurrence probabilities:  $p(A) = 0.3$ ,  $p(B) = 0.5$ ,  $p(C) = 0.2$ .

Entropy  $H = -0.3\log_2(0.3) - 0.5\log_2(0.5) - 0.2\log_2(0.2) = 1.485475$  bits/symbol

(a) Shannon-Fano Code

{A: 0.3, B: 0.5, C: 0.2}

{B: 0.5, A: 0.3, C: 0.2}

{{B: 0.5}, {A: 0.3, C: 0.2}}

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Symbol	Codeword	Probability
A	10	0.3
B	0	0.5
C	11	0.2

Code Rate  $r = \text{Average length per codeword} / \text{average length per symbol}$   
 $= (0.3 \times 2 + 0.5 \times 1 + 0.2 \times 2) / 1 = 1.5$  bits/symbol

Code Redundancy  $R = \text{Code Rate} - \text{Entropy} = 0.014525$  bits/symbol

Code Efficiency = Entropy / Code Rate = 0.99032

Encoded sequence = 10 0 11 0 0 10 0 11 10 0 (length = 15 bits)

(b) Huffman Code

Build the Huffman tree (the tree diagram is omitted here)

{B: 0.5, A: 0.3, C: 0.2}

{B: 0.5, (AC): 0.5}

{{B(AC)}: 1.0}

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(c) 3-bit Tunstall Code

Symbol	Probability
A	0.3
B	0.5
C	0.2

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A	0.3
B	0.5
C	0.2
BA	0.15
BB	0.25
BC	0.10

Symbol	Probability	Codeword
A	0.3	
B	0.5	
C	0.2	000
BA	0.15	001
BB	0.25	010
BC	0.10	011
AA	0.09	100
AB	0.15	101
AC	0.06	110

Code Rate =  $3 / (0.2 \times 1 + 0.15 \times 2 + 0.25 \times 2 + 0.10 \times 2 + 0.09 \times 2 + 0.15 \times 2 + 0.06 \times 2) = 1.66667$  bits/symbol

Redundancy = 0.18119 bits/symbol

Efficiency = 0.891285

Encoded sequence: (length = 18 bits)

A	B	C	B	B	A	B	C	A	B	
101		000		010		101		000		101

Or assign the unused codeword '111' to symbol 'A':

A	B	C	B	B	A	B	C	A	B	
111		011		010		111		011		101

Note 1: effective code rate = 18 bits/10 symbols = 1.8 bits/symbol (> expected code rate since the occurrence probabilities of the combined symbols are different from expected)

Note 2: both length are 18 bits long. It is non-uniquely encodable

(d) 3-bit Tunstall/Huffman Code

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Based on the result of Tunstall coding to build the Huffman tree:

{BB: 0.25, C: 0.2, AB: 0.15, BA: 0.15, BC: 0.10, AA: 0.09, AC: 0.06}

{BB: 0.25, C: 0.2, (AA, AC): 0.15, AB: 0.15, BA: 0.15, BC: 0.10}

$\{(BA, BC): 0.25, BB: 0.25, C: 0.2, (AA, AC): 0.15, AB: 0.15\}$

$\{(BB, C): 0.45, ((AA, AC), AB): 0.30, (BA, BC): 0.25\}$

$$\{(((AA, AC), AB), (BA, BC): 0.55, (BB, C): 0.45\}$$

$\{((((AA, AC), AB), (BA, BC), (BB, C))): 1.00\}$

Symbol	Probability
BB (10)	0.25
C (11)	0.20
AB (001)	0.15
BA (010)	0.15
BC (011)	0.10
AA (0000)	0.09
AC (0001)	0.06

0.25 [0.25] [0.30] [0.45] [0.55] 1.0

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0.20 0.25 0.25 0.25

0.15 [0.15] 0.20 0.25

0.15 0.15 0.20

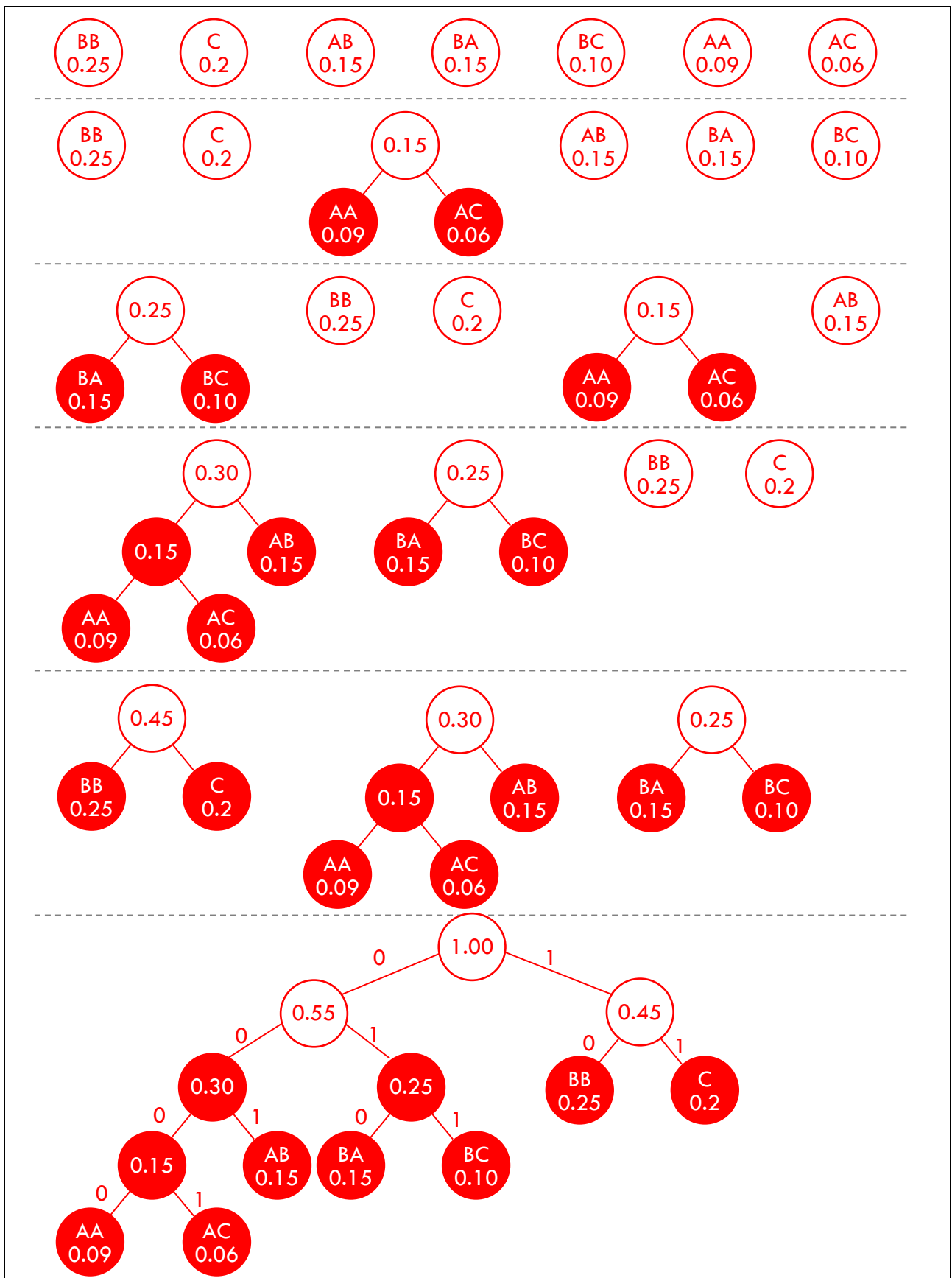
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Symbol	Probability	Codeword
C	0.2	11
BA	0.15	010
BB	0.25	10
BC	0.10	011
AA	0.09	0000
AB	0.15	001
AC	0.06	0001

Code Rate = Average length of codewords / average length of symbols  
 $= (0.2 \times 2 + 0.15 \times 3 + 0.25 \times 2 + 0.1 \times 3 + 0.09 \times 4 + 0.15 \times 3 + 0.06 \times 4) / (0.2 \times 1 + 0.15 \times 2 + 0.25 \times 2 + 0.10 \times 2 + 0.09 \times 2 + 0.15 \times 2 + 0.06 \times 2) = 1.5 \text{ bits/symbol}$   
 Redundancy = 0.014525 bits/symbol  
 Efficiency = 0.99032  
 Encoded sequence = 001 11 10 001 11 001 (AB, C, BB, AB, C, AB) (length = 15 bits)  
 Effective code rate = 15 bits / 10 symbol = 1.5 bits/symbol (= expected code rate)

**Question 2:**

- (a) Consider a 2-symbol source data: {A, B, B, A, B}. Encode the source using arithmetic coding.  
 Fill your answer in the below table.

Symbol	Range of A	Range of B	Encoded Range	Encoded Interval
A	[0, 0.4)	[0.4, 1)	[0, 0.4)	0.4
B	[0, 0.16)	[0.16, 0.4)	[0.16, 0.4)	0.24
B	[0.16, 0.256)	[0.256, 0.4)	[0.256, 0.4)	0.144
A	[0.256, 0.3136)	[0.3136, 0.4)	[0.256, 0.3136)	0.0576
B	[0.256, 0.27904)	[0.27904, 0.3136)	[0.27904, 0.3136)	0.03456

$P(A) = 0.4, P(B) = 0.6$   
 Entropy  $H = -(0.4)\log_2(0.4) - (0.6)\log_2(0.6) = 0.970951 \text{ bit/symbol}$   
 $[0.27904_{(10)}, 0.3136_{(10)}] = [0.0100011_{(2)}, 0.0101000_{(2)}]$   
 The optimal encoded number is  $0.28125 = 2^{-2} + 2^{-4} + 2^{-5} = 0.01001_2$ .  
 So the encoded sequence = 01001

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- (b) Given a source with the same probability distribution model in (a) and length equals 5 is arithmetic coded as 101011. Decode the string by filling your answer in the below table.

Symbol	Range of A	Range of B	Decoded Symbol	Decoded Interval
1	[0, 0.4)	[0.4, 1)	B	0.6
2	[0.4, 0.64)	[0.64, 1)	B	0.36
3	[0.64, 0.784)	[0.784, 1)	A	0.144
4	[0.64, 0.6976)	[0.6976, 0.784)	A	0.0576
5	[0.64, 0.66304)	[0.66304, 0.6976)	B	0.03456

Encoded string = 101011. i.e. the encoded number  $x = 0.101011_2 = 0.671875$

Decoded sequence = B, B, A, A, B

Code rate  $r = 6/5 = 1.2$

Code Efficiency  $E = H/r = 0.809125$

Code Redundancy  $R = r - H = 0.229049$  bit/symbol

**Question 3:** Given the initial dictionary (code table) of a 3-bit LZW code as follows

Symbol	Codeword
a	000
b	001

If the source message is {a, b, b, b, a, b, b, b, a},

- (a) Determine the encoded sequence.  
(b) Determine the final dictionary (code table) and its size.

W	K	WK	Output
-	a	a	-
a	b	ab	000
b	b	bb	001
b	b	bb	-
bb	a	bba	011
a	b	ab	-
ab	b	abb	010
b	b	bb	-

Symbol	Codeword
a	000
b	001
ab	010
bb	011
bba	100
abb	101

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bb	a	bba	-
bba	-	-	100


- (a) The encoded process is shown in the above table and the encoded sequence is 000 001 011 010 100 (Total bits required = 15 bits)
- (b) The final dictionary is shown in the above table and it has 6 entries.

**Question 4:** Given the initial dictionary (code table) of a 3-bit LZW code as follows:

Symbol	Codeword
a	000
b	001

If the received LZW encoded sequence is 000 001 011 010 100,

- (a) Determine the original message.
- (b) Determine the final dictionary (code table) and its size.

W	K	sym(K)	W+sym(K)[0]	Output
-	000	a	a	a
a	001	b	ab	b
b	011	? (bb)	bb	bb
bb	010	ab	bba	ab
ab	100	bba	abb	bba
bba				

Symbol	Codeword
a	000
b	001
ab	010
bb	011
bba	100
abb	101

- (a) The decode process is shown in the above table.  
The original message = a b bb ab bba
- (b) The final dictionary is shown in the above table and it has 6 entries.
- Comment: in general, decoding requires fewer iterations. This is an example of asymmetric encoding/decoding.