

Introduction to Multimedia Technology (MM301)

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CODING AND COMPRESSION

- ▶ 5 m
- ▶ $24 \text{ frame} \times 300 \times 1280 \times 720 \times 24 = 24 \times 300 \times 921600 \times 24 = 159252480000 \text{ bit}$
- ▶ 18.5 GB

Data Compression

- ▶ A key problem with multimedia is the huge quantities of data that result from raw digitized data of audio, image or video source, data compression is usually desirable.
- ▶ The main goal for coding and compression is to improve the storage, processing and transmission costs for these data.
- ▶ A compression Algorithm is considered to be **Universal** If it can compress data efficiently despite possessing no prior statistical knowledge of the process that generated the data.

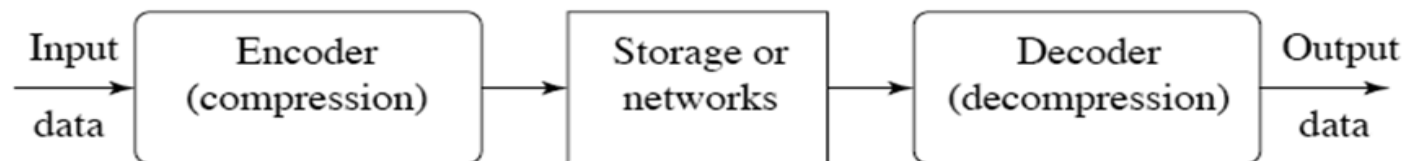
Compression

❑ **Compression:**

the process of coding that will effectively reduce the total number of bits needed to represent certain information.

❑ **Benefits**

- ▶ Reduce storage needed
- ▶ Reduce transmission cost / latency / bandwidth



A General Data Compression Scheme.

Data Compression Terms



The Compressor (Encoder):

the program that compress the input raw data into an output compressed stream with low redundancy.

The De-compressor (Decoder):

the program that convert in opposite direction

Stream: This term may used instead of file because the compressed stream may be transmitted directly to the decoder.

Compression principles

- There are many known methods for data compression based on different ideas to be suitable for different types of data. But, all are based on the same principle .
- **This principle :**
namely compressing data by removing the Redundancy from the original data.
- The idea of compression by reducing Redundancy suggests the general law of data compression by **“assign short codes to common events** (event may be symbols, phrase, digital audio samples, image, and video pixels) **and long code to rare events”**

Lossless vs. Lossy

- ❑ Lossless compression of digitized data such as video, digitized film, and audio preserves all the information, but it does not generally achieve compression ratio much better than 2:1 because of the key entropy of the data. Compression algorithms which provide higher ratios either incur very large overheads or work only for specific data sequences (e.g. compressing a file with mostly zeros).
- ❑ In contrast, lossy compression (e.g. JPEG for images, or MP3 for audio) can achieve much higher compression ratios at the cost of a decrease in quality, such as Bluetooth audio streaming, as visual or audio compression artifacts from loss of important information.

Types of Compression Reduction

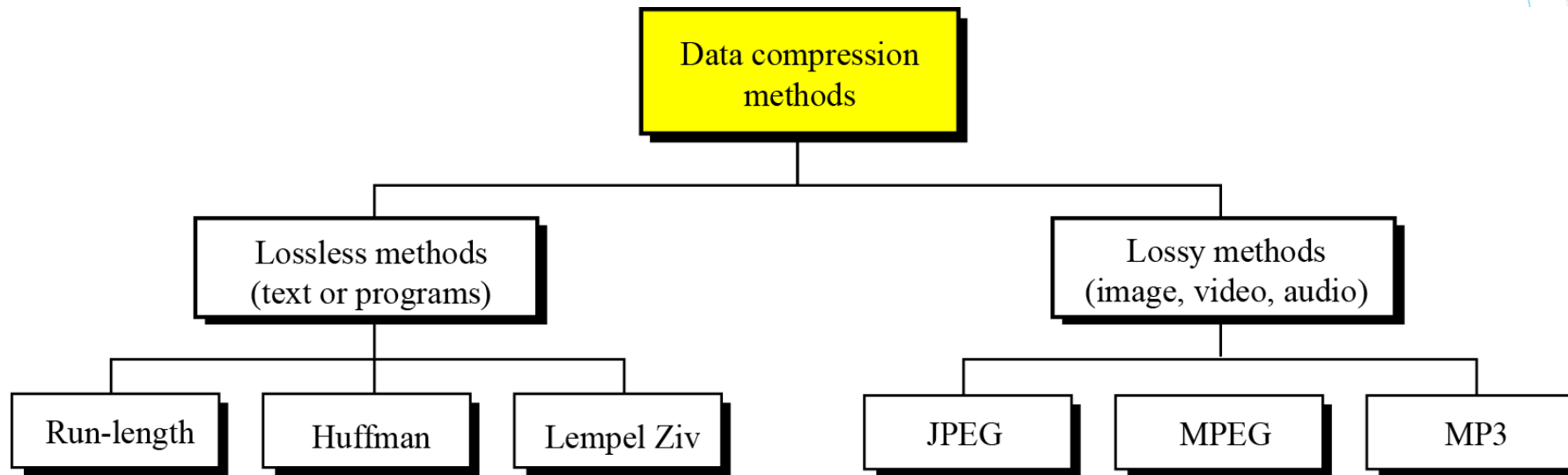
❑ Lossless

- ❑ recovery of the original non compressed data.
- ❑ Exploits **redundancy** in data
- ❑ Applied to general data
- ❑ Information in a spreadsheet or text document would be useless if any information was removed.
- ❑ Zip files are one of the many examples that compression doesn't removes data in the original file.
- ❑ Lossless formats RAW, MOV, GIF
- ❑ Compression doesn't sacrifice quality
- ❑ Allow complete

❑ Lossy

- ❑ Exploits **redundancy**.
- ❑ Removes some data that's not noticeable to the human eye or ear.
- ❑ Lower quality to decrease file size.
- ❑ Applied to audio, image, video
- ❑ Some lossy formats are JPEG, mp4, and mp3.
- ❑ does not allow recovery but is designed to be perceived as sufficient by the user.

Data Compression Methods



Effectiveness of Compression

- ❑ In ASCII codes, every character takes 8 bits.
- ❑ To compress data, the most common approach is to reduce the number of bits that represent the most used characters.
- ❑ Compression ratio:

$$\text{compression ratio} = \frac{B_0}{B_1}$$

B_0 – number of bits before compression

B_1 – number of bits after compression

Effectiveness of Compression

- ▶ A good metric for compression is the *compression factor* given by:

$$\text{Compression factor} = 1 - \left[\frac{\text{compressed size}}{\text{uncompressed size}} \right] \times 100\%$$

- ▶ If we have a 100KB file that we compress to 40KB, we have a compression factor of:

$$1 - \left[\frac{40\text{KB}}{100\text{KB}} \right] \times 100\% = 60\%$$

Keyword Encoding

Replace frequently used words with a single character

Word	Symbol
as	^
the	~
and	+
that	\$
must	&
well	%
these	#

Instantaneous Variable-Length Codes

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variable-length code

- ❑ a code which maps source symbols to a variable number of bits
- ❑ can allow sources to be compressed and decompressed with zero error (lossless data compression) and still be read back symbol by symbol.
- ❑ Some examples of well-known variable-length coding strategies are **Huffman coding, Lempel-Ziv coding and arithmetic coding.**

Instantaneous Variable-Length Codes

Example

Code word	Symbol
0	A
10	B
110	C
111	D

The source is one of four symbols: a, b, c or d. The binary codeword for each symbol is given. The encoding and decoding of a portion of an example source sequence is given below:

aabacda \rightarrow 001001101110 \rightarrow **0|0|10|0|110|111|0**

Instantaneous Variable-Length Codes

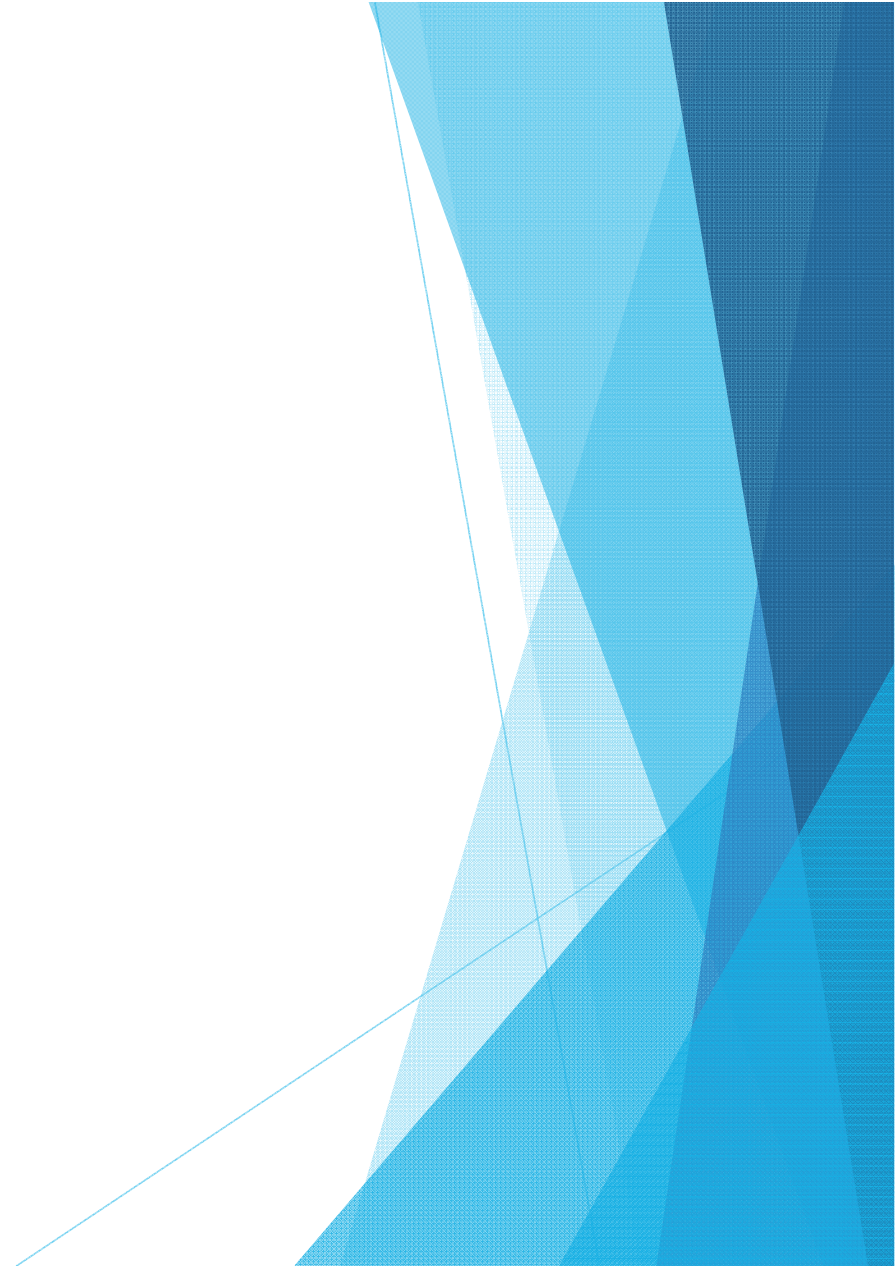
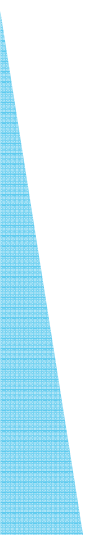
Samuel Morse principle

In the 1800s Samuel F. B. Morse made an efficient telegraph transmission method by assigning **short code** strings to frequently occurring letters and **longer code strings** to **letters that occur less** often.

When applying Morse's method, we simply arrange the source letters in order of decreasing probability and let p_j be shorthand for $P(a_j)$

- ▶ for example let's assume we have the source letters (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m) where $p_1 = 0.4$, $p_2 = p_3 = 0.15$, $p_4 = p_5 = 0.1$, $p_6 = 0.05$, $p_7 = 0.04$, $p_8 = 0.01$
- ▶ Notice that these letter probabilities have to satisfy the requirement $(p_1 + p_2 + \dots + p_8) = 1$

Entropy



Information Theory

- **Information theory:** an entropy encoding is a lossless data compression scheme.
- **Entropy encoders:** compress data by replacing each fixed-length input symbol with the corresponding variable-length prefix-free output code-word.
- **The length of each code-word** is approximately proportional to **negative logarithm probability**
- So, the length for a symbol is : $(-\log_b P) = 1 / \log_b P$ where:
 - b :** the number of symbols used to make output codes and
 - P :** is the probability of the input symbol.
- The most common symbols use the shortest codes.

First-order Information

- Suppose we are given symbols $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m\}$.
- **$P(a_i)$** = probability of symbol a_i occurring in the absence of any other information.
- $P(a_1) + P(a_2) + \dots + P(a_m) = 1$
- **$\inf(a_i) = \log_2(1/P(a_i))$** is the information of a_i in bits.
- **Example**
- **$\{a, b, c\}$ with $P(a) = 1/8, P(b) = 1/4, P(c) = 5/8$**
- – $\inf(a) = \log_2(8) = 3$
- – $\inf(b) = \log_2(4) = 2$
- – $\inf(c) = \log_2(8/5) = .678$

Receiving an “a” has more information than “b” or “c”.

First Order Entropy

The average amount of information **needed** to represent symbol is called *Entropy*

Messages with **higher entropy** carry more information than messages with lower entropy.

How to determine the entropy

The first order entropy is defined for a probability distribution over symbols $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m\}$.

$$H = \sum_1^m p(a_i) \log_2(1/p(a_i))$$

H: the average number of bits required to code a symbol.

- For all symbols we know, ***H*** is the probability distribution of the symbols.
- ***H*** is the Shannon lower bound on the average number of bits to code a symbol in this “source model”.

Entropy Examples

{a, b, c} with $p(a)=1/8$, $p(b)=1/4$, $p(c)=5/8$

• **inf (ai) = $\log_2 (1/P(ai))$**

- **Inf (a)**= $\log_2(8) = 3$

- **Inf ()**= $\log_2(4) = 2$

- **Inf (c)**= $\log_2(8/5) = .678$

$$H = \sum_1^m p(ai) \log_2(1/p(ai))$$

$$H = 1/8 * 3 + 1/4 * 2 + 5/8 * 0.678 = 1.3 \text{ bits/symbol}$$

Example:

{a, b, c} with $p(a)=1/3$, $p(b)=1/3$, $p(c)=1/3$

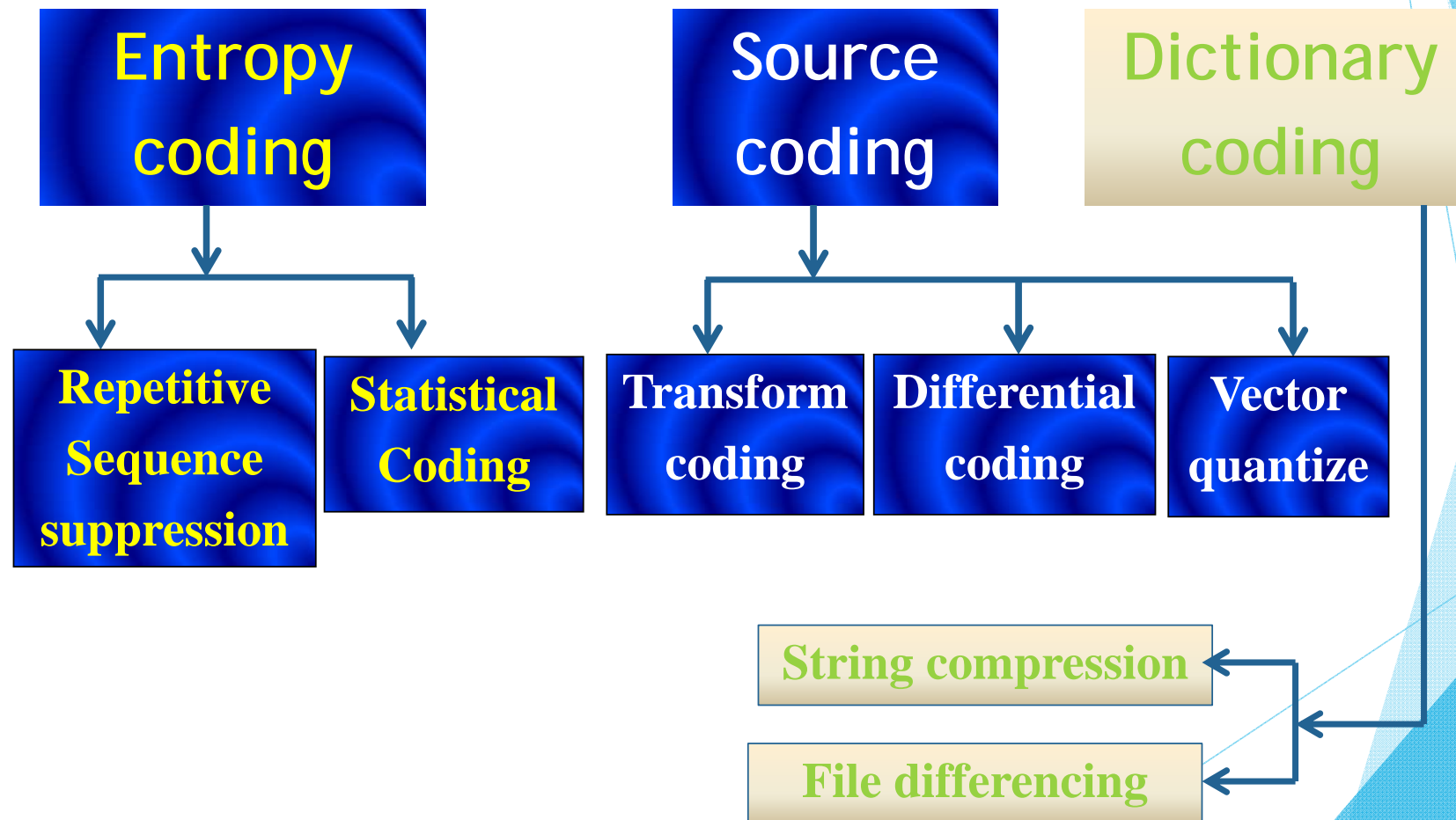
$$H = 3 * 1/3 * \log_2(3) = 1.6 \text{ bits/symbol (worst case)}$$

a=00

b=01

c=11

Coding Techniques



Entropy Coding Techniques



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graph TD; A[Entropy Coding Techniques] --> B[Repetitive Sequence suppression]; A --> C[Statistical Coding]; B --> D[Zero Length Suppression]; B --> E[Run length Encoding (RLE)]; C --> F[Pattern substitution]; C --> G[Shannon-Fano]; G --> H[Huffman Coding]
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The diagram is a hierarchical flowchart titled "Entropy Coding Techniques". It branches into two main categories: "Repetitive Sequence suppression" and "Statistical Coding". "Repetitive Sequence suppression" further branches into "Zero Length Suppression" and "Run length Encoding (RLE)". "Statistical Coding" branches into "Pattern substitution" and "Shannon-Fano". "Shannon-Fano" further branches into "Huffman Coding". All boxes are blue with yellow or white text, and arrows indicate the flow from parent to child nodes.

**Repetitive Sequence
suppression**

**Zero
Length
Suppression**

**Run length
Encoding
(RLE)**

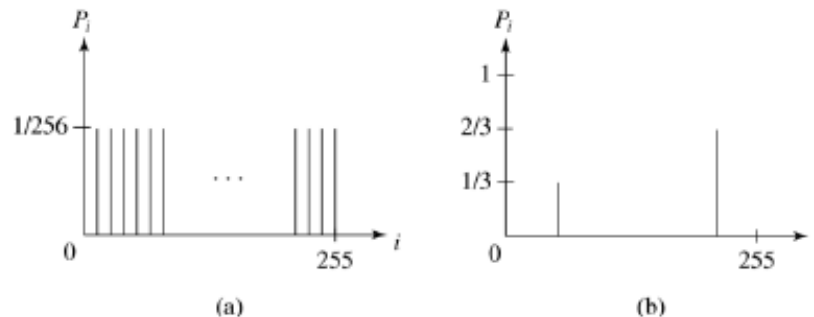
**Statistical
Coding**

**Pattern
substitution**

Shannon-Fano

**Huffman
Coding**

Distribution of Gray-Level Intensities



- Histograms for Two Gray-level Images.

- the histogram of an image with uniform distribution of gray-level intensities, i.e., $\forall i \ p_i = 1/256$. Hence, the entropy of this image is:

Image with 256 gray-level with uniform distribution (equal probability).

Prob. Of each gray-level = $1/256$

$$\text{Entropy} = \left[\sum_{i=1}^{256} 1/256 \times (\log 1/1/256) \right] = 256 (1/256 \times \log_2 2^8) = 8 \text{ bit}$$

8 bit image Example

- Estimate the information content (entropy) of the following image (8 bit image):

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21 21 21 95 169 243 243 243
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Gray level	Count	Probability
21	12	3/8
95	4	1/8
169	4	1/8
243	12	3/8

- First-order estimate of the entropy (bits/pixel)

$$-\frac{3}{8} \log_2 \left(\frac{3}{8} \right) - \frac{1}{8} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{8} \right) - \frac{1}{8} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{8} \right) - \frac{3}{8} \log_2 \left(\frac{3}{8} \right) = 1.81$$

Gray level pair	Count	Probability
(21,21)	8	2/7
(21,95)	4	1/7
(95,169)	4	1/7
(169,243)	4	1/7
(243,243)	8	2/7

- Second-order estimate of the entropy (bits every two pixels)

$$-\frac{2}{7} \log_2 \left(\frac{2}{7} \right) * 2 - \frac{1}{7} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{7} \right) * 3 = 2.2$$

Entropy: Measure the expected average number of bits to code symbols

Ex. Estimate the Entropy for the following message:
HELLO

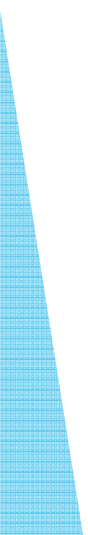
Ex. Estimate the entropy of the following image colors
where probability for each one is

$$P(\text{White})=0.7$$

$$P(\text{Brown})=0.25$$

$$P(\text{Black})=0.025$$

$$P(\text{Blue})=0.025$$



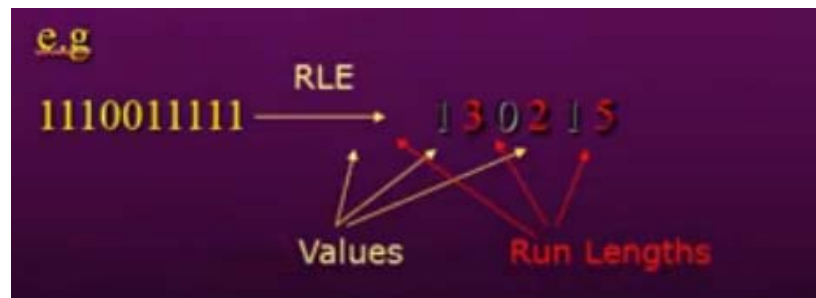
Run Length Encoding

Run-length encoding (RLE) is a form of lossless data compression in which *runs* of data (sequences in which the same data value occurs in many consecutive data elements) are stored as a single data value and count, rather than as the original run.

This is most useful on data that contains many such runs. Consider, for example, simple graphic images such as icons, line drawings, and animations. It is not useful with files that don't have many runs as it could greatly increase the file size.

Run Length encoding

- This Compression technique represents data using value and run length.
- Run length defined as number of consecutive equal values



- The general idea behind this method is to replace consecutive repeating occurrences of a symbol by one occurrence of the symbol followed by the number of occurrences

Uncompressed

aaaaabbbbbbbbbbbbbbccccdddddddddeeeeeeeeeee

Compressed

5a12b4c9d10e

Uncompressed

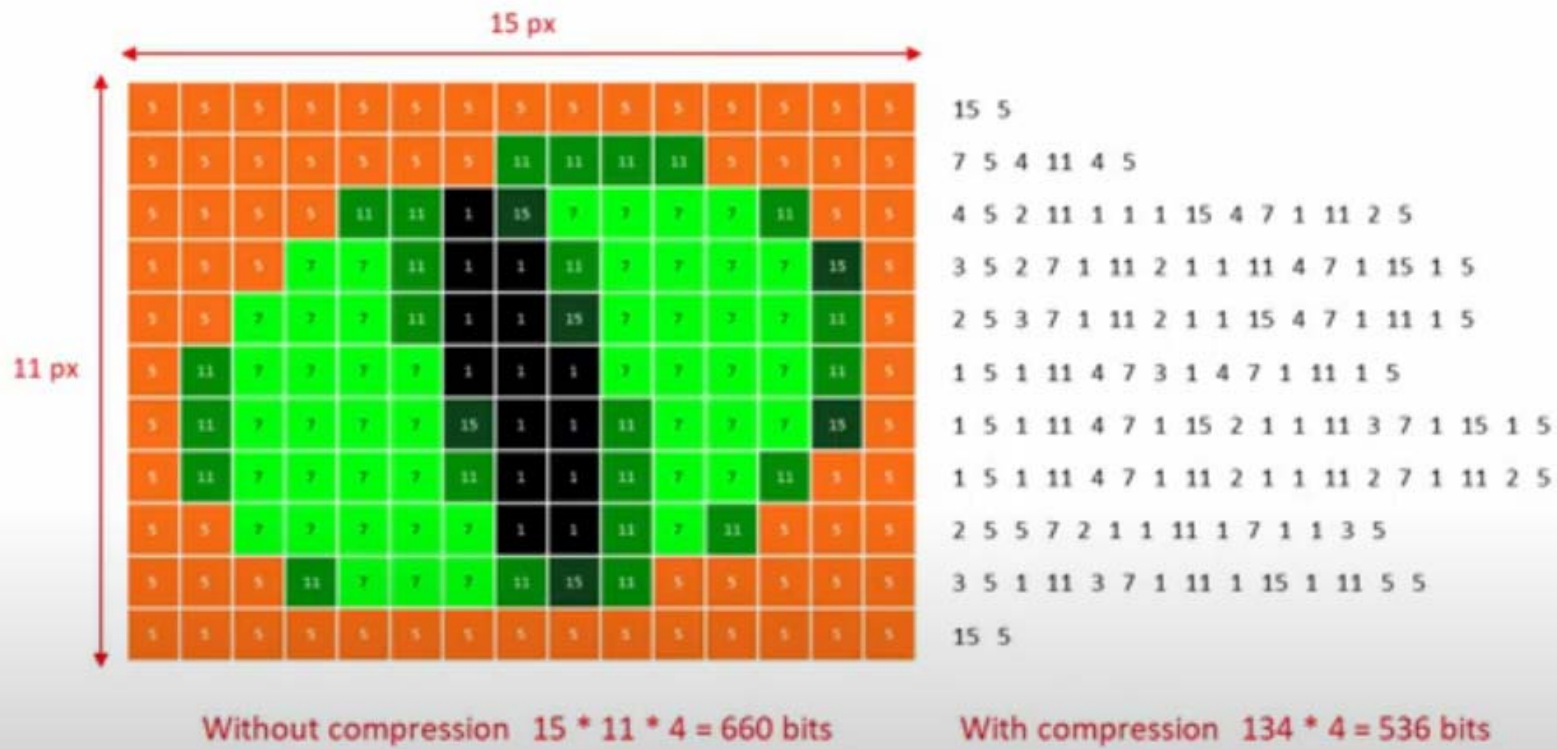
aabccdeefghijjjklmnopqrrstttuvvwxyyyz

Compressed *Negative compression*

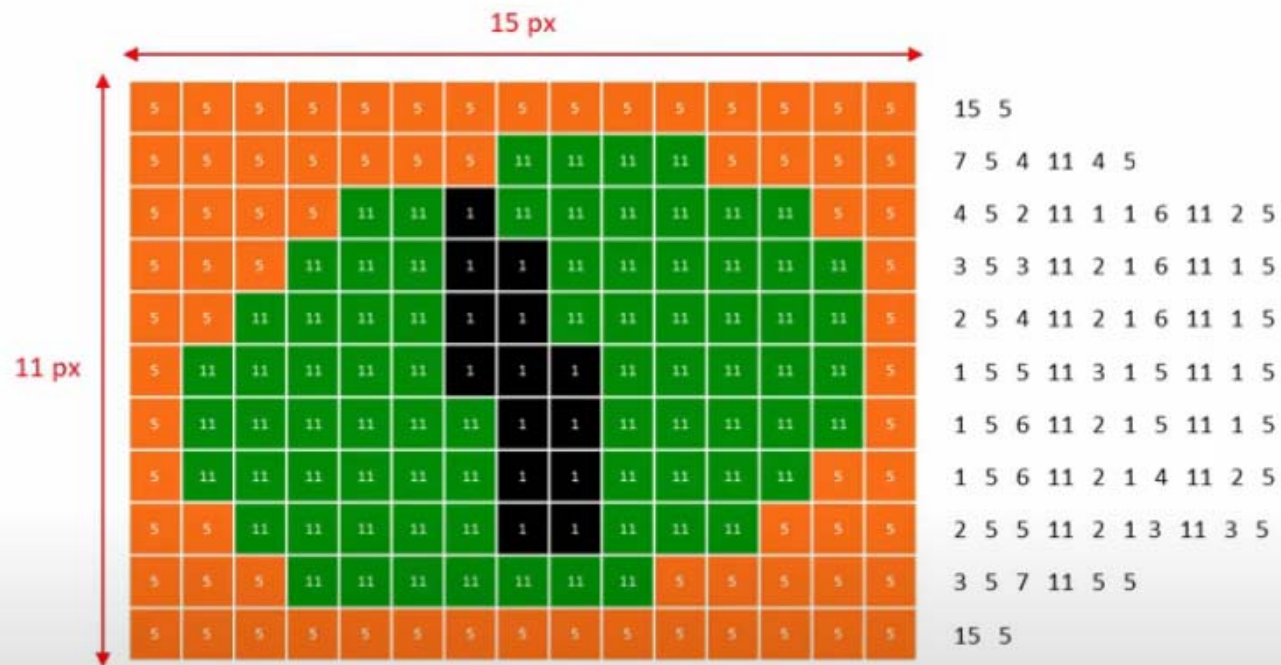
2a1b2c1d2e1f1g1i3j1k1l1m1n1o1p1q2r1s3t1u2v2w1x3y1z

Negative compression if there is variant of data

Run Length Encoding



Run Length Encoding

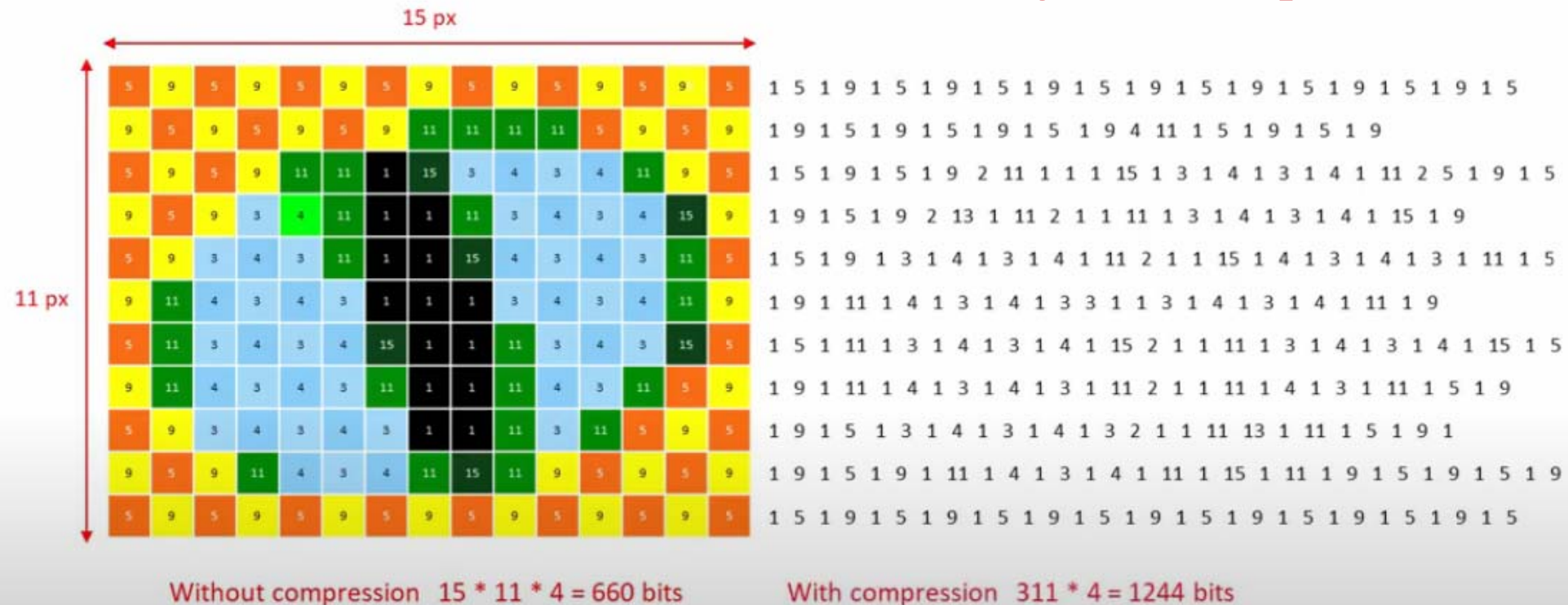


Without compression $15 * 11 * 4 = 660$ bits

With compression $86 * 4 = 344$ bits

Run Length Encoding

Negative Compression



Exercise

Compress the following runs using RLE and calculate the Compression Ratio.

10,10,10,10,17,10,10,10,20,10,10,10,10,35,10,10,10,40,10,10,10,10,10, 20, 10

Given run length 2bit

Exercise

Compress the following text using RLC and calculate the Compression Ratio.

aaaaaaaaa bbbbbb cccc dd

Given run length 2bit

And symbol is 16 bit

This information represent in file header

Exercise

Use RLC to compress this string and calculate the Compression Ratio.

00000 11111 00 1 0000 1 0 1

Summary of RLE

- RLE is lossless compression
- Works best when data contain long runs of the same value
- Easy to implement
- Fast execution
- Complex data can result in negative compression

Thanks

