

# Assignment2

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## Q 40

A digital communication system uses a repetition code for channel encoding/decoding. During transmission, each bit is repeated three times (0 is transmitted as 000, and 1 is transmitted as 111). It is assumed that the source puts out symbols independently and with equal probability. The decoder operates as follows: In a block of three received bits, if the number of zeros exceeds the number of ones, the decoder decides in favour of a 0, and if the number of ones exceeds the number of zeros, the decoder decides in favour of a 1. Assuming a binary symmetric channel with crossover probability  $p = 0.1$ , the average probability of error is

## solution

**case i :** The sender has sent 000 bit which has a probability of  $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$

Let  $X$  be the number of 1's received due to crossover and  $p = 0.1$  be the crossover probability

$$P(X = i) = \binom{n}{i} \times p^i \times (1 - p)^{n-i} \quad (1)$$

$$P(X = 0) = \binom{3}{0} \times p^0 \times (1 - p)^3$$

$$P(X = 1) = \binom{3}{1} \times p^1 \times (1 - p)^2$$

$$P(X = 2) = \binom{3}{2} \times p^2 \times (1 - p)^1$$

$$P(X = 3) = \binom{3}{3} \times p^3 \times (1 - p)^0$$

When  $X \geq 2$  the receiver interprets it as 1, which is an error. And by Total Probability theorem we have

$$P_1 = \frac{P(X = 2) + P(X = 3)}{\sum_{i=0}^3 P(X = i)} \quad (2)$$

where  $P_1$  is the probability of error when the sender has sent 0

**case ii :** The sender has sent 111 bit which has a probability of  $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$

Let  $X$  be the number of 1's received and  $p = 0.1$  be the crossover probability

$$P(X = i) = \binom{n}{i} \times p^{n-i} \times (1 - p)^i \quad (3)$$

$$P(X = 0) = \binom{3}{0} \times p^3 \times (1 - p)^0$$

$$P(X = 1) = \binom{3}{1} \times p^2 \times (1 - p)^1$$

$$P(X = 2) = \binom{3}{2} \times p^1 \times (1 - p)^2$$

$$P(X = 3) = \binom{3}{3} \times p^0 \times (1 - p)^3$$

When  $X \leq 1$  the receiver interprets it as 0, which is an error. And by Total Probability theorem we have

$$P_2 = \frac{P(X = 0) + P(X = 1)}{\sum_{i=0}^3 P(X = i)} \quad (4)$$

where  $P_2$  is the probability of error when the sender has sent 1

$$\sum_{i=0}^3 P(X = i) = 1 \times 0.9^3 + 3 \times 0.1 \times 0.9^2 + 3 \times 0.1^2 \times 0.9 + 1 \times 0.1^3 = 1$$

Let Y be the number sent by the sender

$$P_1 = 0.028$$

$$P_2 = 0.028$$

The average probability is

$$P_{avg} = P(Y = 0) \times P_1 + P(Y = 1) \times P_2 = 0.028 \quad (5)$$

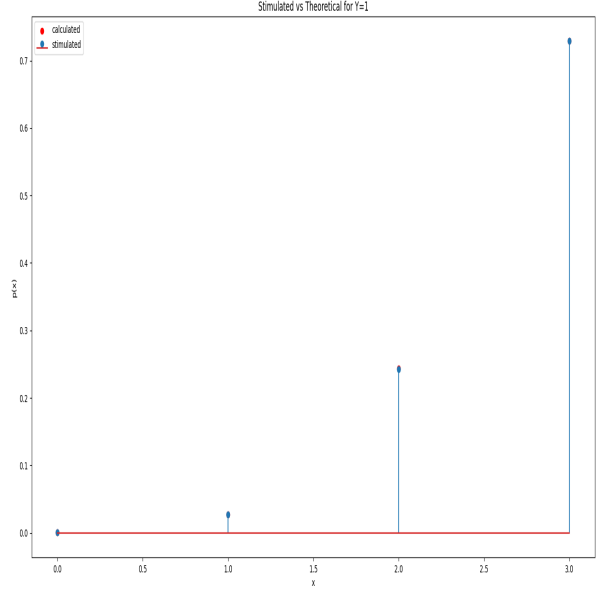


Figure 2: graph for Y = 1

	X	0	1	2	3
Y=0	P(X)	0.729	0.243	0.027	0.001
Y=1	P(X)	0.001	0.027	0.243	0.729

Table 1: Probability of number of 1's recieved

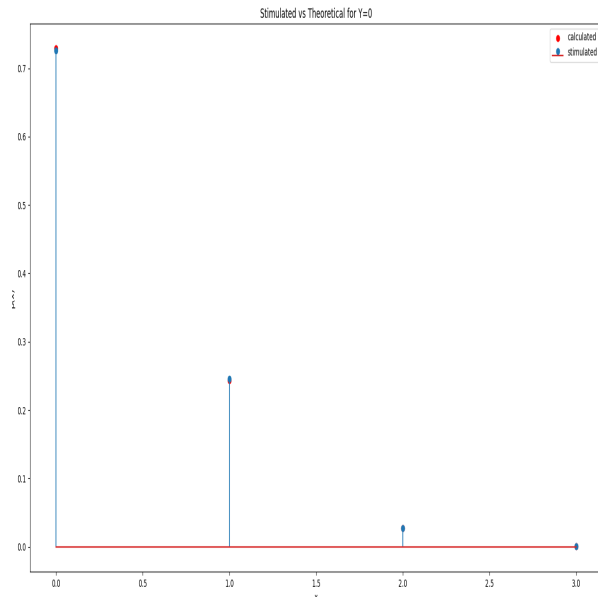


Figure 1: graph for Y = 0