

# Information Theory, Quiz 3 (April 12, 2023)

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## Important

- Any malpractice will lead to instant fail grade.
- This is a question paper and answer sheet. Please provide only final answers in the spaces provided. Do not include derivations or proofs. You will be given a 8-page booklet for rough work.
- **Write your roll number and “serial number” in this sheet.**
- **No breaks during the exam.** No calculators, books, notes or electronic devices allowed.

All the best! Listen to prog metal:  
♪And Plague Flowers the Kaleidoscope ♪

Phrase	Index	Index of Parent	Suffix (A or B)

1. Consider the message sequence with alphabet  $\{A, B\}$

$B B B A A B B B A B B B B A B$

- (a) (1 mark) List all the phrases (separated by commas) in this sequence (including the empty phrase), in the same order as they appear in the message.

**Answer:**

- (b) (2 marks) Suppose we extend the message sequence by appending one more phrase. List all the phrases that can be the parents of this new phrase.

**Answer:**

- (c) (2 mark) Suppose we extend the message sequence by appending one more phrase, and the parent of this new phrase is  $B$ . What will be this new phrase?

**Answer:**

2. (4 marks) Consider the two-pass LZ78 encoder for a sequence with alphabet  $\{A, B\}$ . Say the encoder represents the suffix  $A$  by 0, and  $B$  by 1. Suppose the number of phrases  $c$  is 7, and the codeword generated by LZ78 is:

0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 1 1

Build the dictionary for decoding this sequence.

3. (2 marks) Let the alphabet  $\mathcal{X} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$ , and let pmf  $p_k = P[X = k]$  be as follows:

$$p_0 = 0.4, p_1 = 0.3, p_2 = 0.2, p_3 = 0.05, p_4 = 0.05.$$

Find the expected length of the Fano code for this random variable.

**Answer:**

4. (2 marks) Suppose a random variable has alphabet  $\mathcal{X} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$ , and it is encoded using a prefix-free code with codeword lengths

$$\ell_0 = 3, \ell_1 = 3, \ell_2 = 4, \ell_3 = 4, \ell_4 = 2.$$

We do not know the pmf of this random variable. What is the relation between the entropy of the random variable  $H(X)$  and the expected length  $L$  of the codeword when this prefix-free code is used? The relation must be as tight as possible.

**Answer:**