

HW3: Majority Rule

1. Consider the symmetric channel.

(a) In class we saw that, when $P(s=0) = P(s=1) = 1/2$. The simple majority rule is the best option when the encoding process involved duplicating each bit three times.

- Calculate the resulting error probability.

⇒ Error rate

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \textcircled{1} \text{ 2 bits flipped: } {}_3C_2 f^2 (1-f) = 3f^2(1-f) \\ \text{e.g.) } 000 \begin{cases} \rightarrow 011 : (1-f)f^2 \\ \rightarrow 101 : f(1-f)f \\ \rightarrow 110 : f^2(1-f) \end{cases} \end{array} \right) 3f^2(1-f)$$

$$\textcircled{2} \text{ 3 bits flipped: } {}_3C_3 f^3 (1-f)^0 = f^3$$

$$\rightarrow \textcircled{1} + \textcircled{2} = 3f^2(1-f) + f^3$$

$$= 3f^2 - 2f^3$$

$$\rightarrow f = 0.1,$$

$$P_{\text{err}} = 3 \cdot (0.1)^2 - 2(0.1)^3$$

$$= 0.03 - 0.002$$

$$= 0.028$$

- Calculate the resulting error when each bit is duplicated five times.

⇒ Error rate

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \textcircled{1} \text{ 3 bits flipped: } {}_5C_3 f^3 (1-f)^2 = 10f^3(1-f)^2 = 10f^3 - 20f^4 + 10f^5 \\ \textcircled{2} \text{ 4 bits flipped: } {}_5C_4 f^4 (1-f) = 5f^4(1-f) = 5f^4 - 5f^5 \\ \textcircled{3} \text{ 5 bits flipped: } {}_5C_5 f^5 (1-f)^0 = f^5 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow \textcircled{1} + \textcircled{2} + \textcircled{3} = 10f^3 - 15f^4 + 6f^5$$

$$\rightarrow f = 0.1,$$

$$P_{\text{err}} = 10 \cdot (0.1)^3 - 15(0.1)^4 + 6(0.1)^5$$

$$= 0.00856$$

- Can you generalize it when each bit is duplicated $2n+1$ times (n is a positive integer)?

n : # of 1 in received code r

N : length of the code r

$$\Rightarrow \text{Likelihood ratio: } \left(\frac{1-f}{f} \right)^{N-2n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Error rate: } \sum_{n=\frac{N+1}{2}}^N \binom{N}{n} f^n (1-f)^{N-n} \quad \text{e.g.) } f=0.1 \quad \sum_{n=\frac{N+1}{2}}^N \binom{N}{n} (0.1)^n (0.9)^{N-n}$$

- (b) Assume that $P(s=0) = 2/3$ and $P(s=1) = 1/3$. With each bit duplicated three times in the encoding phase, what is the error rate when one takes the majority rule?

$$P(s=0) = \frac{2}{3}, P(s=1) = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\begin{aligned} P(r=000) &= \frac{2}{3}(1-f)^3 + \frac{1}{3}f^3 \\ P(r=001) &= \frac{2}{3}f(1-f)^2 + \frac{1}{3}f^2(1-f) \\ P(r=011) &= \frac{2}{3}f^2(1-f) + \frac{1}{3}f(1-f)^2 \\ P(r=111) &= \frac{2}{3}f^3 + \frac{1}{3}(1-f)^3 \end{aligned} \right. \rightarrow \begin{aligned} P(s=1|r=000) &= \frac{P(r=000|s=1)P(s=1)}{P(r=000)} \\ P(s=1|r=001) &= \frac{P(r=001|s=1)P(s=1)}{P(r=001)} \\ P(s=0|r=011) &= \frac{P(r=011|s=1)P(s=1)}{P(r=011)} \\ P(s=0|r=111) &= \frac{P(r=111|s=1)P(s=1)}{P(r=111)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\text{err}} &= \sum_r P(r)P(\text{error}|r) \\ &= P(r=000)P(s=1|r=000) + P(r=001)P(s=1|r=001) + P(r=010)P(s=1|r=010) + P(r=100)P(s=1|r=100) \\ &\quad + P(r=011)P(s=0|r=011) + P(r=101)P(s=0|r=101) + P(r=110)P(s=0|r=110) + P(r=111)P(s=0|r=111) \\ &= \{P(r=000|s=1) + P(r=001|s=1) + P(r=010|s=1) + P(r=100|s=1)\}P(s=1) \\ &\quad + \{P(r=011|s=0) + P(r=101|s=0) + P(r=110|s=0) + P(r=111|s=0)\}P(s=0) \\ &= \frac{1}{3}(f^3 + 3f^2(1-f)) + \frac{2}{3}(3f^2(1-f) + f^3) \\ &= f^3 + 3f^2(1-f) \\ &= 3f^2 - 2f^3 \\ &\rightarrow f=0.1, \\ &P_{\text{err}} = 3 \cdot (0.1)^2 - 2 \cdot (0.1)^3 = 0.028 \end{aligned}$$

- (c) Repeat the process for when $P(s=0) = 99/100$ and $P(s=1) = 1/100$, and each bit is duplicated three times. What is the error rate? Can you suggest a better method?

$$P(s=0) = \frac{99}{100}, P(s=1) = \frac{1}{100}$$

$$\left(\begin{aligned} P(r=000) &= \frac{99}{100}(1-f)^3 + \frac{1}{100}f^3 \\ P(r=001) &= \frac{99}{100}f(1-f)^2 + \frac{1}{100}f^2(1-f) \\ P(r=011) &= \frac{99}{100}f^2(1-f) + \frac{1}{100}f(1-f)^2 \\ P(r=111) &= \frac{99}{100}f^3 + \frac{1}{100}(1-f)^3 \end{aligned} \right. \rightarrow \begin{aligned} P(s=1|r=000) &= \frac{P(r=000|s=1)P(s=1)}{P(r=000)} \\ P(s=1|r=001) &= \frac{P(r=001|s=1)P(s=1)}{P(r=001)} \\ P(s=0|r=011) &= \frac{P(r=011|s=1)P(s=1)}{P(r=011)} \\ P(s=0|r=111) &= \frac{P(r=111|s=1)P(s=1)}{P(r=111)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\text{err}} &= \sum_r P(r)P(\text{error}|r) \\ &= P(r=000)P(s=1|r=000) + P(r=001)P(s=1|r=001) + P(r=010)P(s=1|r=010) + P(r=100)P(s=1|r=100) \\ &\quad + P(r=011)P(s=0|r=011) + P(r=101)P(s=0|r=101) + P(r=110)P(s=0|r=110) + P(r=111)P(s=0|r=111) \\ &= \{P(r=000|s=1) + P(r=001|s=1) + P(r=010|s=1) + P(r=100|s=1)\}P(s=1) \\ &\quad + \{P(r=011|s=0) + P(r=101|s=0) + P(r=110|s=0) + P(r=111|s=0)\}P(s=0) \\ &= \frac{99}{100}(f^3 + 3f^2(1-f)) + \frac{1}{100}(3f^2(1-f) + f^3) \\ &= f^3 + 3f^2(1-f) \\ &= 3f^2 - 2f^3 \\ &\rightarrow f=0.1, P_{\text{err}} = 0.028 \end{aligned}$$

⇒ Same as the (b)'s answer

Whatever the values of $P(s=0)$ and $P(s=1)$, the error rate is not affected by those values

→ Another method for data transmission

Using parity bit

- Number of parity bit
 $2^p + 1 \geq d + p$
 p : # of parity bit
 d : size of data
- Place of parity bit: 2^n
- Even parity bit
 : Making # of 1's in code even

e.g.) data = 1100100

→ $2^p + 1 \geq 7 + p$ ∴ $p = 4$ bit

11 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1

1 1 0 _ 0 1 0 _ 0 _ _

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● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● p_2

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p_1 : 10000 (1) → 1 p_3 : 010 (1) → 1

p_2 : 11010 (3) → 1 p_4 : 110 (2) → 0

∴ Hamming code ⇒ 11000101011

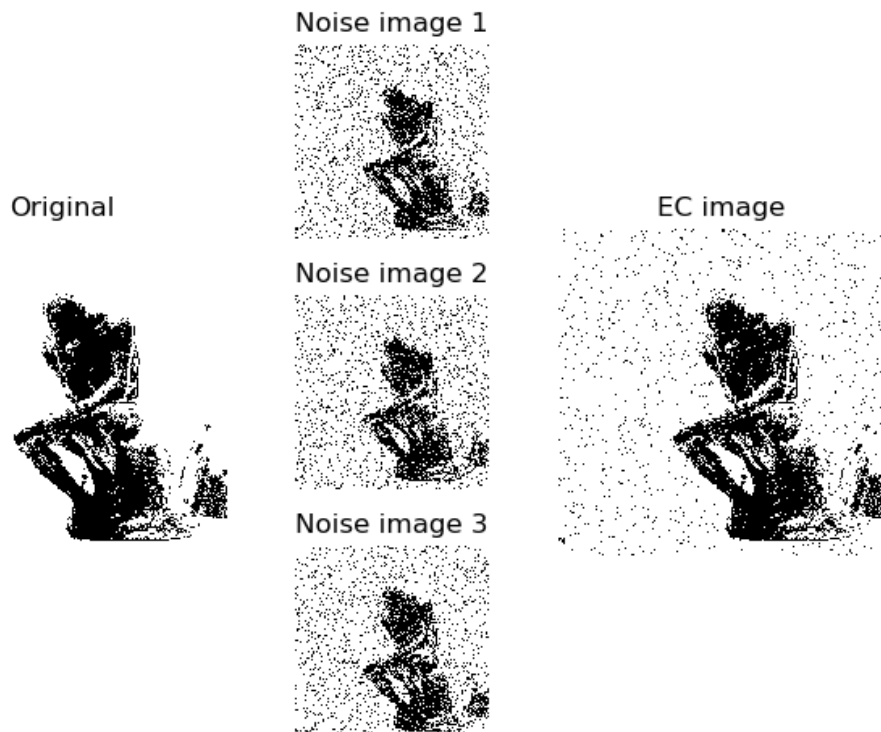
2. Attached is a b&w pixel art version of Auguste Rodin's *The Thinker*. The image is 200x200. We write black=0 and white=1.

(The code is attached – hw3_Q2_majorityrule.py)

(a) What are $P(0)$ and $P(1)$?

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### Original image ###
Counting pixels (black/white) : 6834 / 33166
P(0), P(1): [0.17085, 0.82915]
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(b) Generate three images that have passed through a symmetric noisy channel with $f=0.1$.



(c) Using the simple majority rule, find the error-corrected image.

Refer to (b)'s result image (EC image)

(d) What is the error rate?

- In mathematics,

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Error rate} : \sum_{n=\frac{3+1}{2}}^3 \binom{3}{n} f^n (1-f)^{3-n} &= 3f^2(1-f) + f^3 \\ &= 3f^2 - 2f^3 \\ &= 3 \cdot (0.1)^2 - 2 \cdot (0.1)^3 \\ &= 0.028\end{aligned}$$

- In example case

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### Noise image 1 ###
Counting errors (correct/error) : 35973, 4027
P_correct, P_error: [0.899325, 0.100675]

### Noise image 2 ###
Counting errors (correct/error) : 36101, 3899
P_correct, P_error: [0.902525, 0.097475]

### Noise image 3 ###
Counting errors (correct/error) : 36035, 3965
P_correct, P_error: [0.900875, 0.099125]

### Error corrected image ###
Counting errors (correct/error) : 38873, 1127
P_correct, P_error: [0.971825, 0.028175]
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