Homework 2, CS225 | ECE205A, UCSB, 2016 Winter

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Question 1 (Kraft's inequality)

Consider an alphabet of size m and let p_1,\ldots,p_m be a probability distribution over $\{1,\ldots,m\}$. Let ℓ_1,\ldots,ℓ_m be code word lengths with $\sum_{i=1}^m 2^{-\ell_i} = 1-\delta$ with $\delta>0$ (i.e. this sum is strictly less than what Kraft's inequality demands). What can you prove about the difference $L(C)-H(p)=\sum_{i=1}^m p_i\ell_i+p_i\log p_i$? Try to work δ into your answer.

Question 2 (Huffman Coding)

Let $X \sim p(x)$ with $X = \{a, b\}$, p(a) = 0.25, and p(b) = 0.75. Give the Huffman coding $C : \{aaa, aab, ..., bbb\} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^*$ and the expected coding length for the random variable X^3 .

Question 3 (Shannon-Fano-Elias coding)

Let $X \sim p(x)$ with $X = \{a, b\}$, p(a) = 0.25, and p(b) = 0.75. For the random variable X^3 give the Shannon-Fano-Elias coding $C : \{aaa, aab, \ldots, bbb\} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^*$ and the expected coding length per letter.

Question 4 (Lempel-Ziv Compression)

Give an *upper bound* (as tight as possible) on the length of the LZ coding of the n bit string $010101\cdots$. You can phrase your answer using big O notation as n grows (such that an upper bound of $n^2 + 7n - 3$ can be summarized as $O(n^2)$ and so on).