

Topic 3: **Shannon theory**

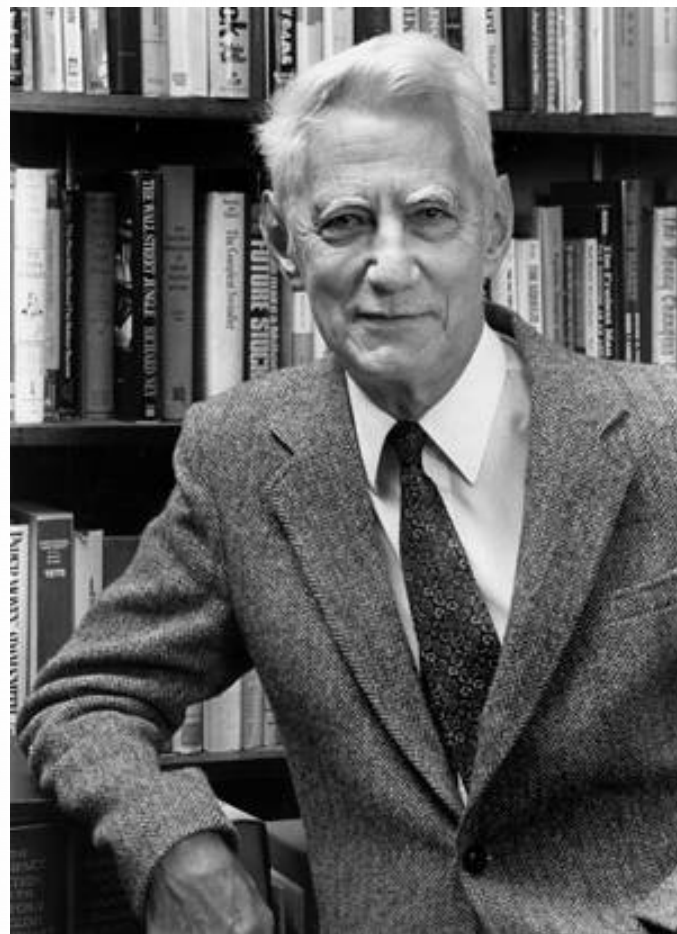
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- ☐ Introduction - Claude Shannon
- ☐ Perfect security
- ☐ Entropy
- ☐ Combination of crypto-systems



Claude E. Shannon (1916-2001)

- Let X and Y be two random variables.
- Definition:
 - $p(x) = p(X = x)$ is a probability of X receiving value x
 - $p(y) = p(Y = y)$ is a probability of Y receiving value y
 - $p(x | y)$ is a probability of X receiving value x if Y receives value y (conditional probability)
- X and Y are independent random variables if only if $p(x, y) = p(x) \times p(y)$ for any value x of X and value y of Y

□ Example: consider tossing 2 dices

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Notation of mapping $X: \Omega \Rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$w \mapsto X(w)$$

Consider $X(w) \equiv 4 \Rightarrow$ Event of tossing 2 dices has 4 points

We have $\Pr[X(w) \equiv 4] \equiv 3/36$, due to $\{\{1, 3\}, \{2, 2\}, \{3, 1\}\}$; denote $\Pr[X \equiv 4]$

So $\Pr[X \equiv 2] + \Pr[X \equiv 3] + \dots + \Pr[X \equiv 12] \equiv 1 \Rightarrow \sum_x \Pr[X = x] = 1$

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 $\Rightarrow Y(w) \in \{\text{"2 same points"}, \text{"2 different points"}\}$

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□ Notation of mapping $Y: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$w \mapsto Y(w)$$

□ Let $Y(w) = 1 \Rightarrow$ Event of tossing 2 dices with the same point

□ $\Pr[Y(w) = 1] = 6/36$, due to 6 cases $\{\{1, 1\}, \dots, \{6, 6\}\}$

□ So $\Pr[Y = 1] + \Pr[Y = 0] = 1$

Bayes theorem

- Let X and Y be two random variables

$$p(x, y) = p(x | y) \times p(y) = p(y | x) \times p(x)$$

- Bayes theorem

$$\text{if } p(y) > 0 \Rightarrow p(x | y) = \frac{p(x) \times p(y | x)}{p(y)}$$

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- Corollary: X and Y are two independent ones $\Leftrightarrow p(x | y) = p(x)$,
 $\forall x, y$

Bayes theorem

□ Reconsider: example of tossing 2 dices

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□ $|\Omega| = 36$ elements, for $w \in \Omega$

□ X : Sum of points of 2 dices $\Rightarrow X(w) \in \{2, 3, 4, \dots, 12\}$

□ Y : 2 dices with the same point $\Rightarrow Y(w) \in \{0, 1\}$

□ Compute $\mathbf{Pr}[Y = 1|X = 4]$ (Probability of 4-point with 2 same faces)

□ $\mathbf{Pr}[X = 4] = 3/36 \Rightarrow \mathbf{Pr}[Y = 1|X = 4] = 1/3$ due to $\{(1, 3), (2, 2), (3, 1)\}$

□ Compute $\mathbf{Pr}[X = 4|Y = 1]$ (Probability of 4-point with 2 same faces)

□ $\mathbf{Pr}[Y = 1] = 6/36 \Rightarrow \mathbf{Pr}[X = 4|Y = 1] = 1/6$ due to $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), \dots, (6, 6)\}$

□ So $\mathbf{Pr}[Y = 1|X = 4] \times \mathbf{Pr}[X = 4] = \mathbf{Pr}[X = 4|Y = 1] \times \mathbf{Pr}[Y = 1]$

- Some probabilistic notation for crypto-context
 - $p_P(x)$: Probability of appearing plaintext x
 - $p_K(k)$: Probability of choosing key k
 - $p_C(y)$: Probability of ciphertext receiving value y
- Note:
 - Notations p_P , p_K and p_C are the probabilities for each distinct set
 - It can be assumed that the key value k and the plaintext x are independent events
- From the probability distribution of plaintext and key on the set \mathbf{P} and \mathbf{K} , we can determine the conditional probability distribution of plaintext ???

Context of cryptography

For each $k \in \mathcal{K}$, let $C(k) = \{e_k(x) \mid x \in \mathcal{P}\}$ be the set of cipher-text if encrypting plain-text $P \in \mathcal{P}$ with key $k \in \mathcal{K}$.

So, we see that probability of cipher-text y is sum of probabilities of choosing k and $x = d_k(y)$.

$$p_C(y) = \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K} \mid y \in C(k)} p_K(k) \times p_P(d_k(y))$$

For each $y \in \mathcal{C}$ and $x \in \mathcal{P}$, $p_C(y \mid x)$ is probability of receiving cipher-text y when plain-text is x .

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$$p_C(y \mid x) = \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K} \mid x = d_k(y)} p_K(k)$$

Using Bayes theorem to compute $p_P(x \mid y)$

$$p_P(x \mid y) = \frac{p_P(x) \times p_C(y \mid x)}{p_C(y)} = \frac{p_P(x) \times \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K} \mid x = d_k(y)} p_K(k)}{\sum_{k \in \mathcal{K} \mid y \in C(k)} p_K(k) \times p_P(d_k(y))}$$

Example

- Let $P = \{a, b\}$ with $p_P(a) = \frac{1}{4}$, $p_P(b) = \frac{3}{4}$
- Let $K = \{k_1, k_2, k_3\}$ with $p_K(k_1) = \frac{1}{2}$, $p_K(k_2) = p_K(k_3) = \frac{1}{4}$
- Let $C = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$
- Let E be a set of encryption rules
 - $e_{k_1}(a) = 1, e_{k_1}(b) = 2$
 - $e_{k_2}(a) = 2, e_{k_2}(b) = 3$
 - $e_{k_3}(a) = 3, e_{k_3}(b) = 4$
- Let D be a set of decryption rules
 - $d_{k_1}(1) = a, d_{k_1}(2) = b$
 - $d_{k_2}(2) = a, d_{k_2}(3) = b$
 - $d_{k_3}(3) = a, d_{k_3}(4) = b$



	a	b
k_1	1	2
k_2	2	3
k_3	3	4



	1	2	3	4
k_1	a	b		
k_2		a	b	
k_3			a	b

Example

Compute $p_C(y)$

$$p_C(y=1) = \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$p_C(y=2) = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{4} = \frac{7}{16}$$

$$p_C(y=3) = \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$p_C(y=4) = \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{3}{4} = \frac{3}{16}$$

Condition probability of $p_P(x|y)$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \begin{cases} p_P(x=a|y=1) = \frac{p_P(x=a) \times p_C(y=1|x=a)}{p_C(y=1)} = \frac{\frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{2}}{\frac{1}{8}} = 1 \\ p_P(x=b|y=1) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} p_P(x=a|y=2) = \frac{p_P(x=b) \times p_C(y=1|x=b)}{p_C(y=1)} = \frac{\frac{3}{4} \times 0}{\frac{1}{8}} = 0 \\ p_P(x=b|y=2) = \frac{p_P(x=b) \times p_C(y=2|x=b)}{p_C(y=2)} = \frac{\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{1}{4}}{\frac{7}{16}} = \frac{1}{7} \end{cases}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \begin{cases} p_P(x=a|y=2) = \frac{p_P(x=a) \times p_C(y=2|x=a)}{p_C(y=2)} = \frac{\frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{4}}{\frac{7}{16}} = \frac{1}{7} \\ p_P(x=b|y=2) = \frac{p_P(x=b) \times p_C(y=2|x=b)}{p_C(y=2)} = \frac{\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{1}{2}}{\frac{7}{16}} = \frac{6}{7} \end{cases}$$

	a $p_P = \frac{1}{4}$	b $p_P = \frac{3}{4}$
k_1 $(p_K = \frac{1}{2})$	1	2
k_2 $(p_K = \frac{1}{4})$	2	3
k_3 $(p_K = \frac{1}{4})$	3	4

$$\begin{aligned} p_P(x=a|y=3) &= \frac{p_P(x=a) \times p_C(y=3|x=a)}{p_C(y=3)} = \frac{\frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{4}}{\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{1}{4} \\ p_P(x=b|y=3) &= \frac{p_P(x=b) \times p_C(y=3|x=b)}{p_C(y=3)} = \frac{\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{1}{4}}{\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{3}{4} \\ p_P(x=a|y=4) &= \frac{p_P(x=a) \times p_C(y=4|x=a)}{p_C(y=4)} = \frac{\frac{1}{4} \times 0}{\frac{3}{16}} = 0 \\ p_P(x=b|y=4) &= \frac{p_P(x=b) \times p_C(y=4|x=b)}{p_C(y=4)} = \frac{\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{1}{4}}{\frac{3}{16}} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

☐ Perfectly secure?

☐ Significance: The attacker gets nothing from the ciphertext

$$\forall x \in P, \forall k \in K, p_P(x | c) = p_P(x), p_K(k | c) = p_K(k)$$

☐ Evaluate Shift-cipher

- ☐ Assume 26 keys in Shift-cipher are randomly chosen with uniform probability (1/26)
- ☐ With set of plaintext having any probability distribution, Shift-cipher achieve perfect security???
- ☐ Let $P = C = K = Z_{26} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 25\}$
- ☐ $e_k(x) = (x + k) \bmod 26$ and $d_k(y) = (y - k) \bmod 26$

Perfect security (on Shift Cipher)

Probability

$$p_C(y) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}_{26}} p_K(k) \times p_P(d_k(y)) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}_{26}} \frac{1}{26} \times p_P(y - k)$$

Given y , when changing k from 0 to 25, we receive all 26

values of \mathbb{Z}_{26} .
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So, for all $y \in \mathbb{Z}_{26}$, we have $p_C(y) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}_{26}} \frac{1}{26} p_P(y - k) = 1$

For (x, y) , we have only one key $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{26}$, such that $y = x + k$

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Perfect security (on Shift Cipher)

From ((1)) and ((2)), apply Bayes theorem we have:

$$p_P(x | y) = \frac{p_P(x) p_C(y | x)}{p_C(y)} = \frac{p_P(x)}{26} = p_P(x) \text{ (satisfy standard)}$$

Shift cipher is perfect security if randomly choosing a new k for each plain-text x .

From Bayes theorem, we have $p_P(x | y) = p_P(x)$, $\forall x \in \mathcal{P}$, $\forall y \in \mathcal{C}$

This is similar to: $p_C(y | x) = p_C(y)$, $\forall x \in \mathcal{P}$, $\forall y \in \mathcal{C}$

Assume $p_C(y) > 0$, $\forall y \in \mathcal{C}$ (All members of \mathcal{C} are used)

Crypto-system is secure if $p_C(y | x) > 0$, $\forall x \in \mathcal{P}$, $\forall y \in \mathcal{C} \Rightarrow |\mathcal{C}| \geq |\mathcal{P}|$

Due to $p_C(y | x) > 0 \Rightarrow \exists k \in \mathcal{K}: e_k(x) = y \Rightarrow |\mathcal{K}| \geq |\mathcal{C}|$

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For the system to be perfect security, key-size used to encrypt must be at least equal to the size of the message to be encrypted:

$$|\mathcal{K}| \geq |\mathcal{P}|$$

Vernam Cipher

- Is there a perfect secure crypto-system with $|\mathcal{K}| = |\mathcal{P}|$?
- Shannon theorem: Let $(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{K}, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{D})$ be a crypto-system with $|\mathcal{K}| = |\mathcal{P}| = |\mathcal{C}|$. So, it is perfect secure if and only if:
 - $\forall c \in \mathcal{C}, x \in \mathcal{P} \Rightarrow \exists k \in \mathcal{K}: e_k(x) = c$ (1)
 - $\forall k \in \mathcal{K}, p_K(k) = 1/|\mathcal{K}|$ (2)
- Proof: Let $(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{K}, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{D})$ be a crypto-system with $|\mathcal{K}| = |\mathcal{P}| = |\mathcal{C}|$. Due to its perfect security, we have
 - $\forall x \in \mathcal{P}, p_P(x | c) = p_P(x)$ and Bayes theorem allows $p_C(c | x) = p_C(c)$
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 - $\exists! k \in \mathcal{K}, p_K(k) = p_C(c)$ for (x, c) , due to $|\mathcal{K}| = |\mathcal{P}| = |\mathcal{C}|$
 - $\exists! k \in \mathcal{K}, e_k(x_i) = c$ for (x_i, c) , due to $|\mathcal{K}| = |\mathcal{P}| = |\mathcal{C}|$
 - Fix c , for all x , let k be key such that $e_k(x) = c$
 - From Bayes theorem: $p_P(x_i | c) = \frac{p_K(k_i) \times p_P(x_i)}{p_C(c)} = \frac{p_K(k_i) \times p_P(x_i)}{p_C(c)}$
 - From Bayes theorem: $p_P(x_i | c) = p_P(x_i) \Rightarrow p_K(k_i) = p_C(c)$.
 - Due to $p_P(x_i | c) = p_P(x_i) \Rightarrow p_K(k_i) = p_C(c)$.

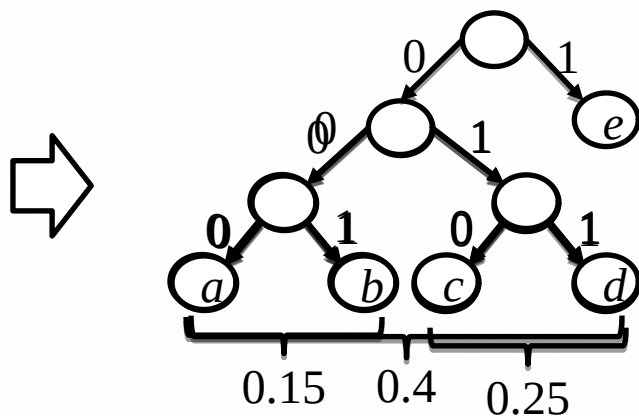
- Gilbert Vernam (Bell Labs) proposed in 1919
 - A key is a “long enough” random sequence of values. So, $C = P \oplus K$
 - This method is proven to be perfect security
 - Limitation: the key is too long and cannot be reused
 - Advantage: simple
- Description:
 - Let integer $n \geq 1$, and $P = C = K = (\mathbb{Z}_2)^n$. For each $k \in (\mathbb{Z}_2)^n$, we let:
 - $e_k(x) = (x_1 + k_1, \dots, x_n + k_n) \bmod 2$, where $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ and $k = (k_1, \dots, k_n)$.
 - $d_k(y) = (y_1 + k_1, \dots, y_n + k_n) \bmod 2$, where $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$
- Note: operator $(+ \bmod 2)$ is \oplus -bit

- Some events are random but more common than others
- Some facts are more important than others
- Entropy is a measure of the uncertainty of a random variable, or the amount of information each event provides
- If X is a random variable receiving values in \mathcal{X} , so $H(X) \equiv -$
- Note: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (x \log_2 x) = 0$
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- With L' Hopital, we have $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\log_2 x}{\frac{1}{x}} = 0$
- With L' Hopital, we have $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{x \ln 2}}{-\frac{1}{x^2}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-x^2}{x \ln 2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{\ln 2} = 0$

Entropy and Huffman encoding

- Recall the idea of Huffman encoding
- Example: we have $X = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$ with probabilities $p(a) = .05$, $p(b) = .10$, $p(c) = .12$, $p(d) = .13$ and $p(e) = .60$

a	b	c	d	e
.05	.1	.12	.13	.6
0	1			
.15		.12	.13	.6
		0	1	
.15		.25		.6
0		1		
	.4			.6
	0			1
				1



Huffman tree

x	$f(x)$
a	000
b	001
c	010
d	011
e	1

Prefix-code

Entropy and Huffman encoding

- Average length to transmit information for an event

$$l(f) = \underbrace{0.05 \times 3}_{\text{'a'}} + \underbrace{0.1 \times 3}_{\text{'b'}} + \underbrace{0.12 \times 3}_{\text{'c'}} + \underbrace{0.13 \times 3}_{\text{'d'}} + \underbrace{0.6 \times 1}_{\text{'e'}} = 1.8$$

- Entropy:

$$H(X) = \overbrace{0.05 \times \log_2(0.05)}^{0.2161} + \overbrace{0.1 \times \log_2(0.1)}^{0.3322} + \overbrace{0.12 \times \log_2(0.12)}^{0.3671} + \underbrace{0.13 \times \log_2(0.13)}_{\log_2(0.6)} + \underbrace{0.6 \times \log_2(0.6)}_{0.4422}$$

$$= 1.7402$$

- Result: $H(X) \leq l(f) \leq H(X) + 1$

Properties of Entropy

- Basic properties
 - $H(X) \geq 0$, equality occurs if and only if the variable X is constant
 - $H(X) \geq \log_2 |X|$, equality occurs if and only if $p(X = x) = 1/|X|$
 - $H(X, Y) \geq H(X) + H(Y)$, '=' occurs $\Leftrightarrow X$ & Y are independent distribution
 - $H(X|Y) \geq H(X)$, equality occurs $\Leftrightarrow X$ & Y are independent distribution
 - **Chain Rule:** $H(X, Y) = H(X|Y) + H(Y)$
- Entropy of components of crypto-system
 - $H(C|K) = H(P)$
 - $H(C|P, K) = H(P|C, K) = 0$
 - $H(P, K) = H(P) + H(K)$
 - $H(C) \geq H(P)$
 - $H(C, P, K) = H(C, K) = H(P, K)$
 - $H(K|C) = H(K) + H(P) - H(C)$ và $H(K|C^n) = H(K) + H(P^n) - H(C^n)$

- There are $26! \approx 10^{26}$ encryption rule (substitution) for English text (includes normal characters)
- Equivalent to 88-bit security \Rightarrow why is it easy to be attacked in practice?
- Shannon: All approaches of mono-alphabetic cipher of English are easy to break if having 25 characters of cipher-text.

- Spurious keys: if using shift-cipher, we have cipher-texts “WNAJW”
 - There may be 5 and 22 to decrypt “RIVER” and “ARENA”
 - One of them is wrong
- Introduction of random variables
 - Let $P \in \mathbf{P} = \{a, b, \dots, z\}$ ($|\mathbf{P}| = 26$): set of characters
 - Let $P^2 \in \mathbf{P}^2 = \{aa, \dots, zz\}$ ($|\mathbf{P}^2| = 26^2$): set of digraphs
 - ...
 - Let $P^n \in \mathbf{P}^n = \{a\dots a, \dots, z\dots z\}$ ($|\mathbf{P}^n| = 26^n$): set of n -graphs

Language's unicity distance

Some notations

$p(i)$ is probability of appearing of character "i"

$p_i(j)$ is probability of appearing of character "j" when "i" appears

$p(i, j)$ is probability of appearing of 2 characters "i" and "j"

Example: compute entropy of $P \in \mathcal{P} = \{a, b, \dots, z\}$ ($|\mathcal{P}| = 26$)

$H(P) = -\sum_i p(i) \times \log_2 p(i) \approx 4.14$ bits/character (real data)

Example: compute entropy of $P^2 \in \mathcal{P}^2 = \{aa, \dots, zz\}$ ($|\mathcal{P}^2| = 26^2$)

$H(P^2) = -\sum_{i,j} p(i, j) \times \log_2 p(i, j) \approx 7.7$ bits

Formular to compute entropy (for each character) of another language 'L': $H_L \equiv \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{H(P^n)}{n}$

Let $R_L \equiv 1 - \frac{H_L}{\log_2 |\mathcal{P}|}$ (Rate of 'spurious elements' of a language 'L')

Language's unicity distance

- Due to $H_L \equiv \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{H(P^n)}{n}$, $H(P) \approx n \times H_L = n \times (1 - R_L) \times \log_2 |P|$
- Due to $|P| = |C|$, $H(C^n) \leq n \times H(C) \leq n \times \log_2 |C| = n \times \log_2 |P|$
 - Where P and C are sets of plain-texts and cipher-texts
 - Where \mathcal{P} and \mathcal{C} are sets of plain-texts and cipher-texts
 - K is a set of keys
- We have $H(K|C^n) \equiv H(K) + H(P^n) - H(C^n)$

$$\approx H(K) + n \times (1 - R_L) \times \log_2 |P| - n \times \log_2 |P|$$

$$= H(K) - n \times R_L \times \log_2 |P|$$
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$$H(K|C^n) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \log_2 |\mathcal{K}| - n \times R_L \times \log_2 |\mathcal{P}| = 0 \Leftrightarrow n \geq \frac{\log_2 |\mathcal{K}|}{R_L \times \log_2 |\mathcal{P}|}$$
 - Means: entropy of random variable K when C^n is zero \Rightarrow there is **only one** key to decrypt.

Language's unicity distance

Unicity of crypto-system is n_0 such that a number of spurious-key are zero

English case: ($|P| = 26$, $R_L = 0.75$, $|K| = 26!$ due to using substitution cipher)

$$n_0 = \frac{\log_2 |K|}{R_L \times \log_2 |P|} = \frac{\log_2 26!}{0.75 \times \log_2 26} \approx 23 \text{ (Language distance)}$$

Mean that: need a cipher-text with at least length of 25 characters to ensure that there exists only one key

□ Data Compression

- Good compression – good encryption
- Good encryption – bad compression

□ Combination of encryption approaches

- “Weighted sum” of crypto-systems
 - Create new crypto-systems from existing crypto-systems
 - Choose 2 crypto-systems with the same message space, use system A with probability p , use system B with probability $1 - p$.
- Product cipher: sequentially apply successive encryption algorithms