

Source Coding: data con
version

Channel Coding: data transmission

What is communication?

A communicates with B:

Physical acts of A

have induced desired

physical state in B.

A communication is

successful when receiver

B and sender A agree

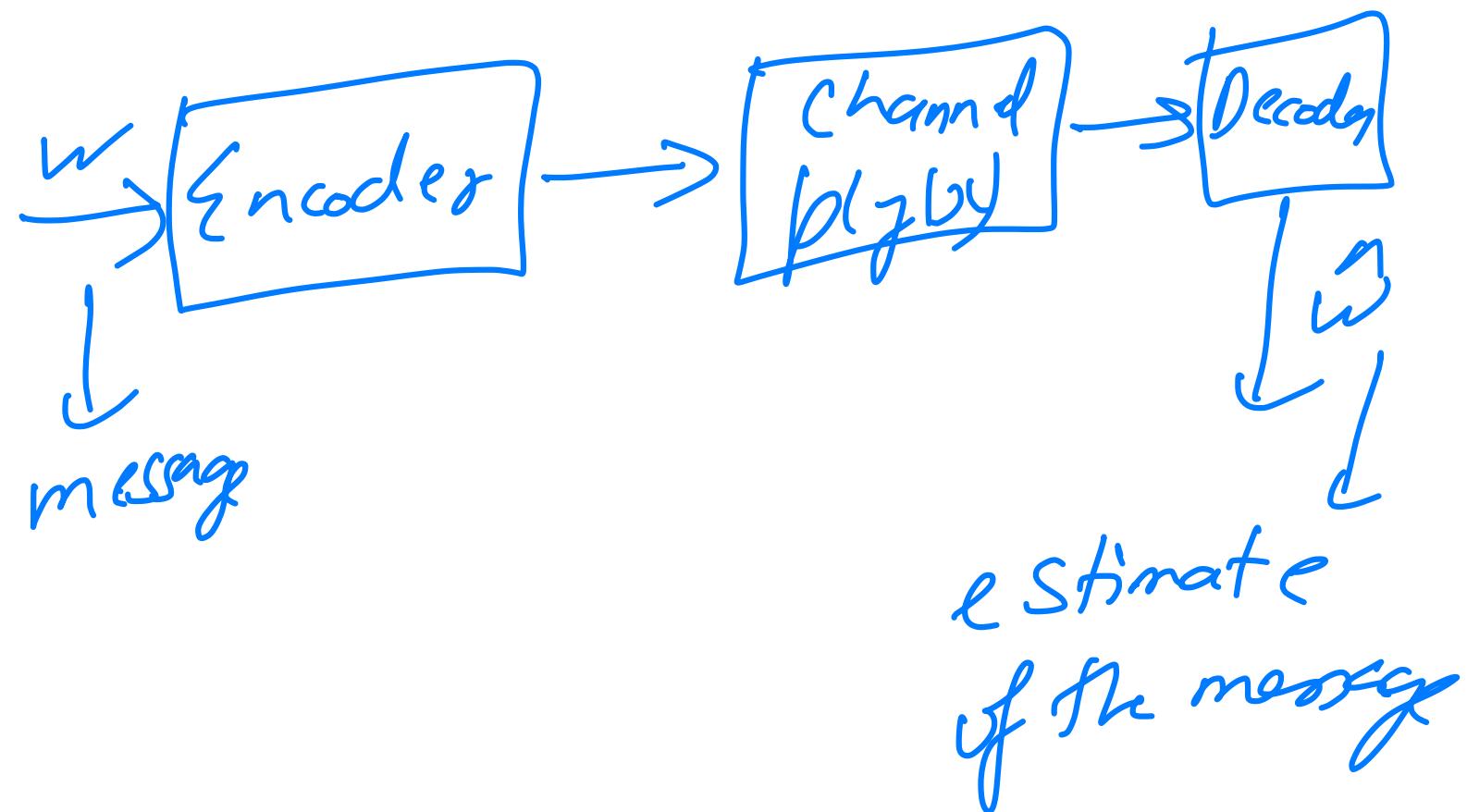
on what was sent.

Definition: Discrete Channel.

A discrete channel is a system consisting of an input alphabet X and an output alphabet Y and a probability transition matrix $p(y|x)$ that expresses the probability of observing the output y when we send x .

The channel is called memoryless if the probability distribution of the output depends only on the input at that time and is conditionally independent of previous inputs/outputs.

Communication Systems



Information Channel Capacity

Defn: The information channel capacity of a discrete memoryless channel (DMC) as

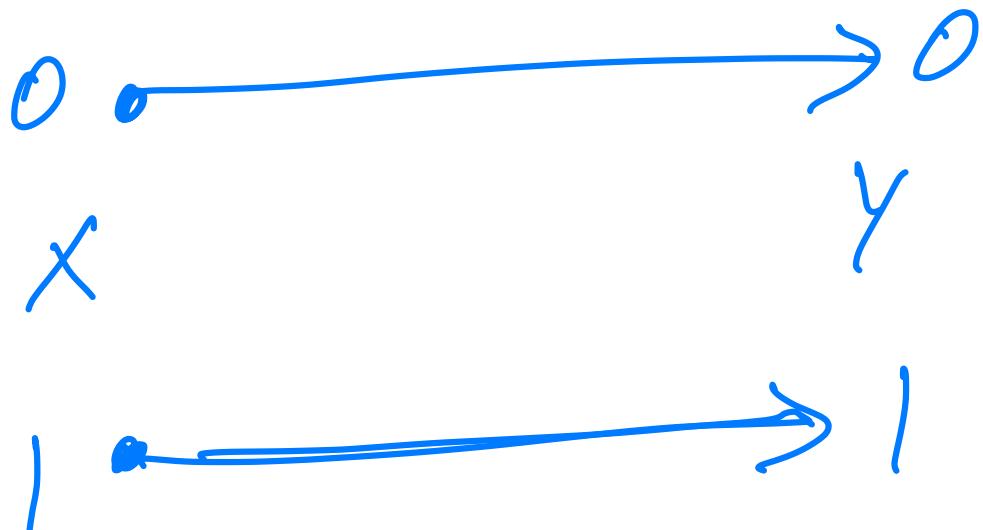
$$C = \max_{p(x)} I(X; Y)$$

Operational channel capacity:
highest rate in bits per channel use at which information can be sent with arbitrarily low probability of error.

They are the same.

Channel Capacity

E.g. Noisless Binary
channel



Operational channel capacity:
= 1 bit

Information channel capacity

$$C = \max_{p(x)} I(X; Y)$$

$$I(X;Y) = H(X) - H(X|Y)$$

$$= H(Y) - H(Y|X)$$

$$\max_{p(x)} \left[H(X) - H(X|Y) \right]$$

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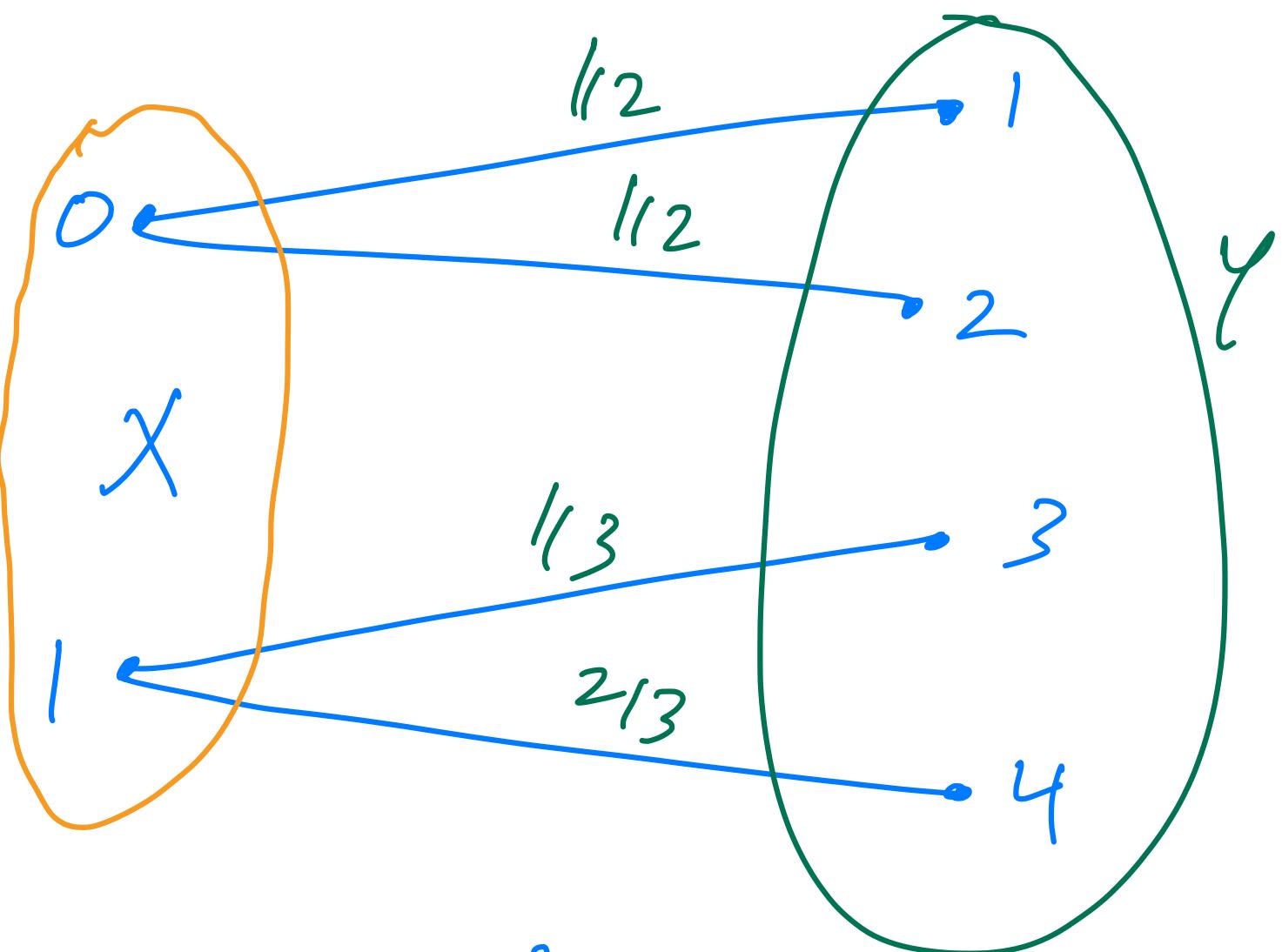
$$= \max_{p(x)} H(X)$$

$$= 1, \text{ for } p(x=0) = p(x=1) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$p(x=0) = \varepsilon = t_2$$

$$p(x=1) = 1 - \varepsilon = t_2$$

E.g.: Noisy channel with nonoverlapping outputs



$$X = \{0, 1\}$$

$$Y = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

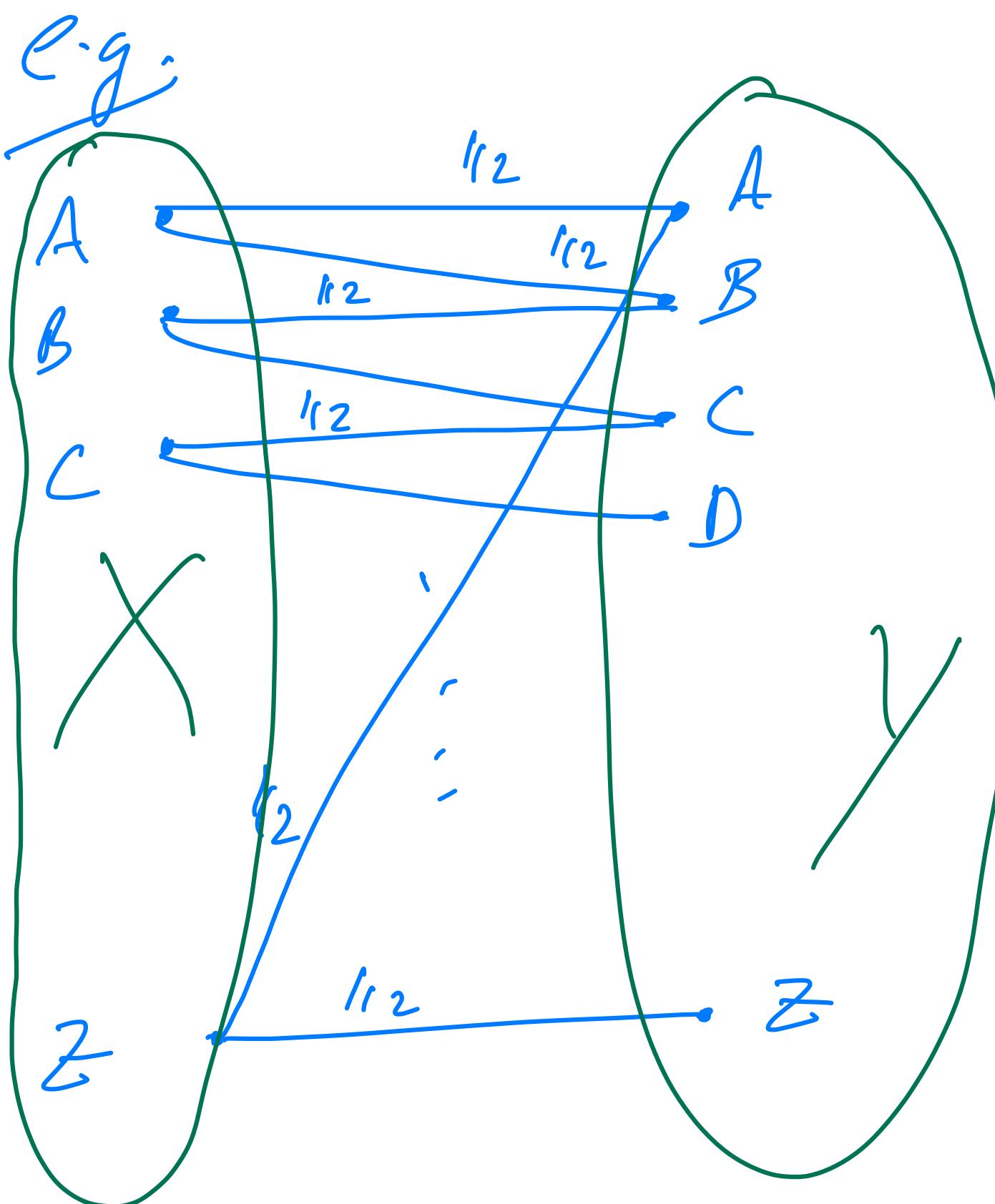
Operational channel capacity:
= 1 bit

Information Channel Capacity

$$\max_{p(x)} I(X;Y)$$

$$\max_{p(x)} \left[H(X) - H(X|Y) \right]$$

$$= \max_{p(x)} H(X) = 1 \text{ bit}$$



$$\max_{p(x)} I(X;Y) =$$

$$\max_{p(x)} (H(X) - H(X|Y)) =$$

$$\max_{P(X)} \left[H(Y) - H(Y(X)) \right]$$

$$H(X|Y) = 1 \text{ bit}$$

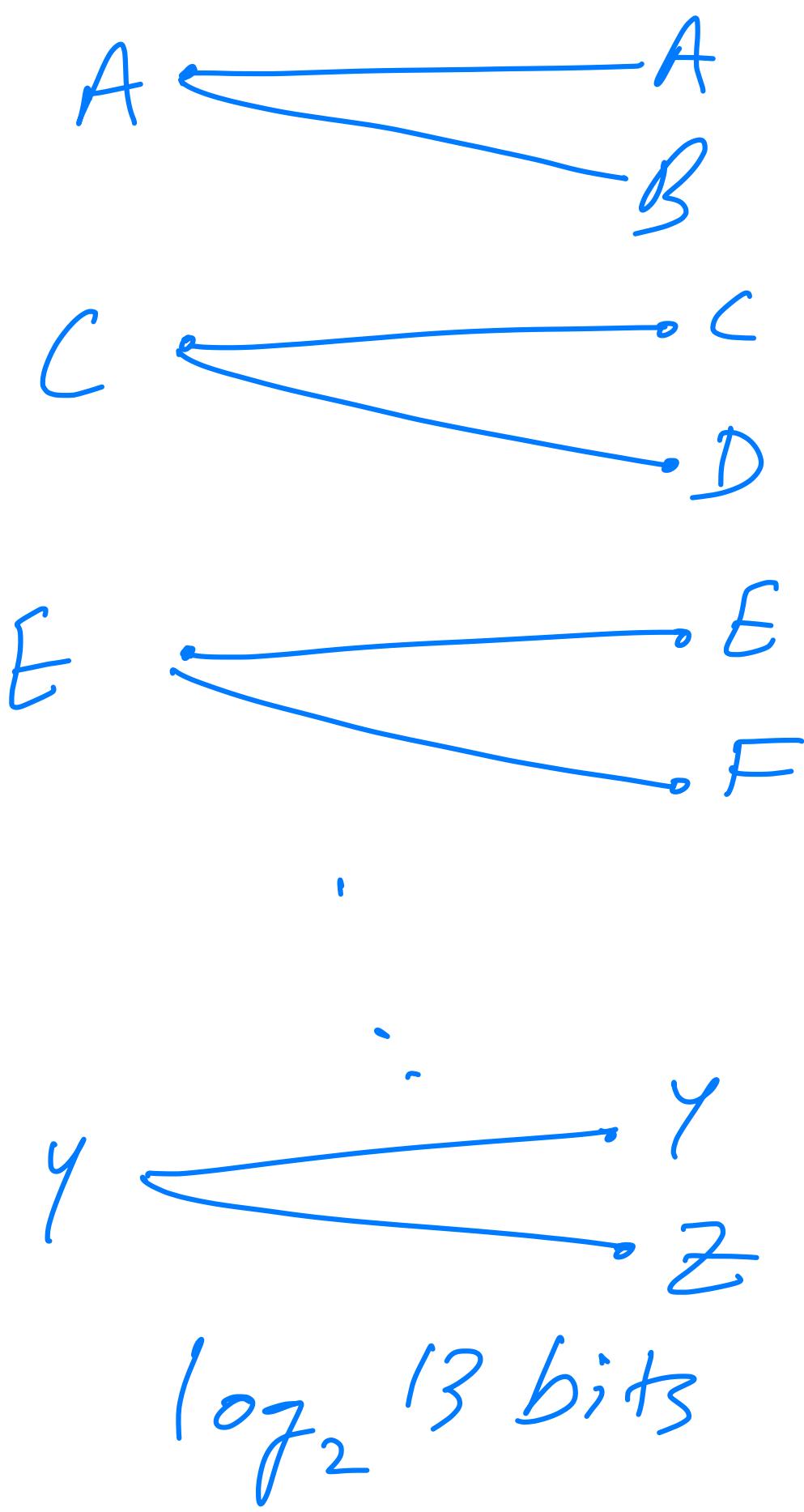
$$H(X|Y=C) = H\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right) \\ = 1 \text{ bit}$$

$$\max_{P(X)} H(X) \sim 1$$

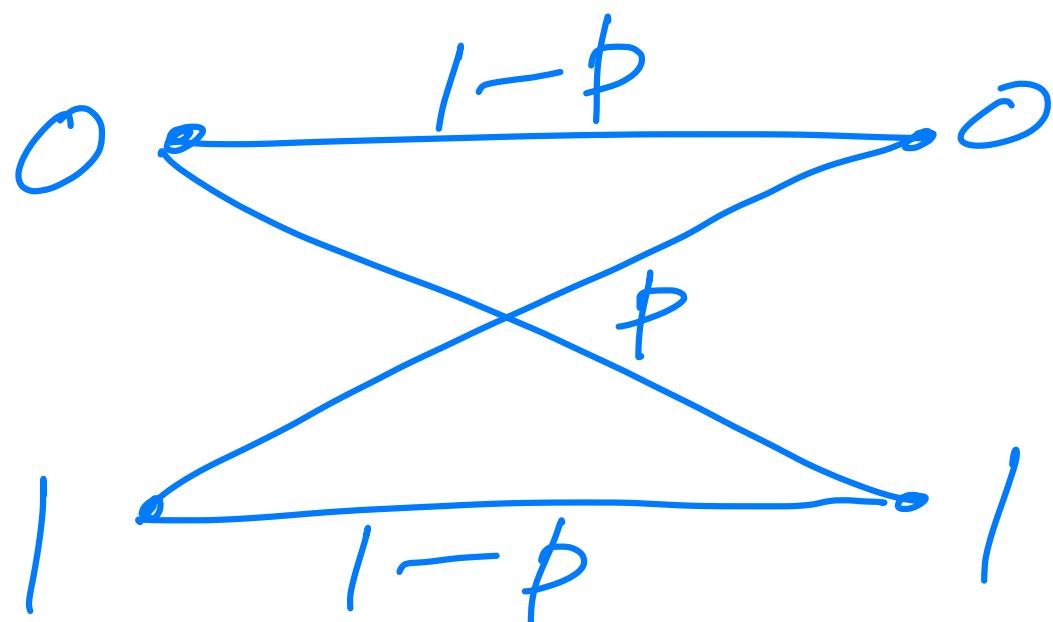
$$= \log_2 2^6 \sim 1$$

$$= \log_2 13 \text{ bits}$$

Operational Channel Capacity



E.g. Binary Symmetric Channel
BSC



Information channel capacity

$$I(X;Y) = H(Y) - H(Y|X)$$

$$= H(Y) - \sum p(x) H(Y|X=x)$$

$$= H(Y) - \sum p(x) H(p)$$

$$= H(Y) - H(p)$$

$$\leq 1 - H(p),$$

with equality when
input distribution X

B uniform.

$$C = 1 - H(\beta) \text{ bits}$$

e.g. transition matrix

$$p(y|x) = \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.2 & 0.5 \\ 0.5 & 0.3 & 0.2 \\ 0.2 & 0.5 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix}$$

x^3 rows, y^3 columns

$$p(y|x) \cdot p(1|3) = 0.2$$

$$C = \log_2 3 - H(0.5, 0.3, 0.2)$$

Symmetric channel: all the rows are permutations of each other, same for columns.

Weakly symmetric:
rows are permutations of each other.
column sums are equal.

$$\sum p(y|x)$$

x

e.g. $\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{6} \end{pmatrix}$

Let σ be a row of
the transition matrix

$$I(X;Y) = H(Y) - H(Y|X)$$

$$= H(Y) - H(\sigma)$$

$$\leq \log |Y| - H(\sigma)$$

maximized for uniform
distribution over X .

For weakly symmetric vs
symmetric channel

$$C = \log |Y| - H(\text{row})$$

$c \geq 0$ as $I(x_5 y) \geq 0$

$$c \leq \log |x|$$

$$c \leq \log |y|$$

Channel Codes

Repetition Code

1 \rightarrow 11111

0 \rightarrow 00000

Received
Hoff's | decode

