

Suppose that X is a random variable whose entropy $H(X)$ is 8 bits. Suppose that $Y(X)$ is a deterministic function that takes on a different value for each value of X .

1. What is the entropy of Y ?

Since Y is injective and the entropy does not depend on the values, but only on their probabilities, the entropy of Y is equal to the entropy of X .

$$H(Y) = H(X) = 8$$

2. What is the joint entropy $H(X, Y)$?

Since Y is a deterministic function of X :

$$H_X(Y) = 0$$

$$H(X, Y) = H(X) + H_X(Y) = 8 + 0 = 8 \text{ bits}$$