COM5120 Communication theory

Homework #4

Due: 12/07/2020 (Monday)

1. (20%) Let X be a geometrically distributed random variable,

$$P(X = k) = p(1-p)^{k-1}, k = 1, 2, 3 ...$$

- (1) Find the entropy of X?
- (2) Given that X>K, where K is positive integer, find H(X|X > K)?

2. (20%) Random variables X, Y are distributed according to the joint distributions:

$$P(X = 0, Y = 0) = \frac{1}{14}$$
, $P(X = 0, Y = 1) = \frac{2}{7}$,

$$P(X = 1, Y = 0) = \frac{3}{14}, P(X = 1, Y = 1) = \frac{3}{7},$$

Compute H(X), H(Y), H(X|Y), H(Y|X), H(X,Y)

3. (20%) Find the differential entropy of the continuous random variable X in the following case:

(1) X is an exponential random variable with $\lambda > 0$

$$p(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\lambda} e^{-x/\lambda}, & x > 0\\ 0, & otherwise \end{cases}$$

(2) X is an Laplacian random variable with $\lambda > 0$

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{2\lambda} e^{-|x|/\lambda}$$

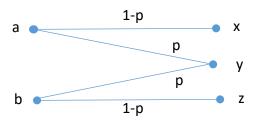
4. (20%) Consider a channel with transition probability

P(x|a) = P(z|b) = 1 - p and P(y|a) = P(y|b) = p as shown in the figure :

- (1) Determine the average mutual information I(V;W).
- (2) Determine the channel capacity.

Input :V

Output:W



- 5. (20%) Consider a BSC with crossover probability of p. Suppose that R is the number of bits in a source codeword that represents one of 2^R possible levels at the output of a quantizer.
 - (1) Determine the probability that a codeword transmitted over the BSC is received correctly.
 - (2) Determine the probability of having at least 1 bit error in a codeword transmitted over the BSC.
 - (3) Determine the probability of having $\,n_e$, or fewer bit errors in a codeword.
 - (4) Evaluate the probabilities in (1)(2)(3), for R = 5, p = 0.1, and $\,n_e=5\,$