

# MATH3411 INFORMATION, CODES & CIPHERS

## Test 2, Session 2 2013, SOLUTIONS

### Version A

Multiple choice: **a, e, a, d, e**

True/False: **T, T, F, T, F**.

1. **(a)**

2. **(e)**:  $M_H = \frac{2}{3}H(0.8) + \frac{1}{3}H(0.4) \approx 0.805$ .

3. **(a)**:  $I(A, B) = H(B) - H(B|A) = H(0.3 + 0.5p) - (0.4p + 0.6)$ .

Differentiating  $I(A, B)$  with respect to  $p$  and setting  $I'(A, B) = 0$  gives

$$0.5 \log_2((0.3 + 0.5p)^{-1} - 1) = 0.4,$$

so  $(0.3 + 0.5p)^{-1} = 2^{0.8} + 1 \approx 2.74$ . Solving this gives  $p \approx 0.13$ .

4. **(d)**:  $\phi(2013) = \phi(3 \times 11 \times 61) = \phi(3)\phi(11)\phi(61) = 2 \times 10 \times 60 = 1200$ ,

so  $2^{1203} \equiv 2^{1200} \cdot 2^3 \equiv 8 \pmod{2013}$ .

5. **(e)**

6. (i) **True**: We wish to decode the number 0.55.

code number rescaled	in interval	decoded symbol
0.55	$[0.3, 0.7)$	$b$
$(0.55 - 0.3)/.4 = 0.625$	$[0.3, 0.7)$	$b$
$(0.625 - 0.3)/.4 = 0.8125$	$[0.7, 1)$	$\bullet$

The decoded message is then  $bb\bullet$ .

(ii) **True**: The binary entropy is 0.722 and by Shannon's Theorem, we can get arbitrarily close to this.

(iii) **False**:  $t = \lceil \sqrt{1333} \rceil = 37$  gives  $s^2 = t^2 - n = 36 = 6^2$  which is square, so  $a + b = (s + t) + (t - s) = 2t = 74$ .

(iv) **True**: The second smallest symbol probability in  $S^3$  is  $\frac{4}{125}$ , and  $\frac{125}{4} = 31.25 < 32 = 2^5$ , so the second longest codeword length is  $\ell = 5$ .

(v) **False**: The numbers  $x_i$  are 1, 6, 4, 7, 8.

7. (i) Here, we have that  $\alpha^2 = -1 = 2$ .

$\gamma^1 = \alpha + 1$	$\gamma^5 = 2\alpha + 2$
$\gamma^2 = 2\alpha$	$\gamma^6 = \alpha$
$\gamma^3 = 2\alpha + 1$	$\gamma^7 = \alpha + 2$
$\gamma^4 = 2$	$\gamma^8 = 1$

- (ii) The element  $\gamma$  is primitive, so all of the primitive elements of  $\mathbb{F}$  are given by  $\gamma^i$  where  $\gcd(i, 8) = 1$ ; that is all of the 4 elements

$$\gamma^1 = \alpha + 1, \gamma^3 = 2\alpha + 1, \gamma^5 = 2\alpha + 2, \gamma^7 = \alpha + 2$$

- (iii)  $\alpha^{-1} = (\gamma^6)^{-1} = \gamma^2 = 2\alpha$ .

- (iv)  $\frac{\gamma^7 + \alpha}{\gamma^4 + \gamma} = \frac{2\alpha + 2}{\alpha} = 2 + \frac{2}{\alpha} = 2 + 2(2\alpha) = 2 + \alpha$

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## Version B

Multiple choice: **c, d, a, d, c**

True/False: **F, F, T, T, T**.

1. **(c)**

2. **(d)**:  $M_H = \frac{1}{3}H(0.8) + \frac{2}{3}H(0.4) \approx 0.888$ .

3. **(a)**:  $I(A, B) = H(B) - H(B|A) = H(0.2 + 0.7p) - (0.4p + 0.7)$ .  
Differentiating  $I(A, B)$  with respect to  $p$  and setting  $I'(A, B) = 0$  gives

$$0.7 \log_2((0.2 + 0.7p)^{-1} - 1) = 0.4,$$

so  $(0.2 + 0.7p)^{-1} = 2^{\frac{4}{7}} + 1 \approx 2.49$ . Solving this gives  $p \approx 0.29$ .

4. **(d)**:  $\phi(2013) = \phi(3 \times 11 \times 61) = \phi(3)\phi(11)\phi(61) = 2 \times 10 \times 60 = 1200$ ,  
so  $5^{1203} \equiv 5^{1200 \cdot 1 + 3} \equiv 125 \pmod{2013}$ .

5. **(c)**  $4^{14} \equiv 1 \pmod{15}$

6. (i) **False**: We wish to decode the number 0.55.

code number rescaled	in interval	decoded symbol
0.55	$[0.3, 0.7)$	$b$
$(0.55 - 0.3)/.4 = 0.625$	$[0.6, 0.8)$	$b$
$(0.625 - 0.3)/.4 = 0.8125$	$[0.7, 1)$	$\bullet$

The decoded message is then  $bb\bullet$ .

(ii) **False**: The binary entropy is 0.81 which is the lower bound on average codeword lengths.

(iii) **True**:  $t = \lceil \sqrt{1333} \rceil = 37$  gives  $s^2 = t^2 - n = 36 = 6^2$  which is square, so  $a + b = (s + t) + (t - s) = 2t = 74$ .

(iv) **True**: The second largest symbol probability in  $S^3$  is  $\frac{16}{125}$ , and  $\frac{125}{16} = 7.8125 < 8 = 2^3$ , so the second shortest codeword length is  $\ell = 3$ .

(v) **True**: The numbers  $x_i$  are 1, 6, 4, 7, 8.

7. (i) Here, we have that  $\alpha^2 = 2\alpha + 1$ .

$i$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
$\alpha^i$	1	$\alpha$	$2\alpha + 1$	$2\alpha + 2$	2	$2\alpha$	$\alpha + 2$	$\alpha + 1$	1

- (ii) The element  $\alpha$  is primitive, so all of the primitive elements of  $\mathbb{F}$  are given by  $\alpha^i$  where  $\gcd(i, 8) = 1$ ; that is all of the 4 elements

$$\alpha^1 = \alpha, \alpha^3 = 2\alpha + 2, \alpha^5 = 2\alpha, \alpha^7 = \alpha + 1$$

- (iii)  $(2\alpha + 1)^{-1} = (\alpha^2)^{-1} = \alpha^6 = \alpha + 2.$

(iv)  $\frac{\alpha^2 + 1}{\alpha^3 + \alpha^4} = \frac{2\alpha + 2}{2\alpha + 1} = \frac{\alpha^3}{\alpha^2} = \alpha$

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