# Part I: Huffman Encoding

## Given Frequencies

Character	Frequency
e	34
r	22
s	24
t	28
n	15
l	10
i	9
z	8

### **Huffman Tree Construction**

- 1. Combine z(8) and i(9) to form node A(17).
- 2. Combine l(10) and n(15) to form node B(25).
- 3. Combine A(17) and r(22) to form node C(39).
- 4. Combine s(24) and B(25) to form node D(49).
- 5. Combine t(28) and e(34) to form node E(62).
- 6. Combine C(39) and D(49) to form node F(88).
- 7. Combine E(62) and F(88) to form root G(150).

### **Huffman Codes**

Assigning 0 and 1 down each branch, we get:

Character	Code
$\overline{t}$	00
e	01
z	1000
i	1001
r	101
s	110
l	1110
n	1111

#### Total Bits vs. ASCII

#### Huffman-Encoded Bits.

$$e(34) \times 2 = 68$$
,  $r(22) \times 3 = 66$ ,  $s(24) \times 3 = 72$ ,  $t(28) \times 2 = 56$ ,  $n(15) \times 4 = 60$ ,  $l(10) \times 4 = 40$ ,  $i(9) \times 4 = 36$ ,  $z(8) \times 4 = 32$ .

Total Huffman bits = 68 + 66 + 72 + 56 + 60 + 40 + 36 + 32 = 430.

**ASCII Bits.** Each character would use 8 bits, so for 150 characters:

$$150 \times 8 = 1200$$
 bits.

Bits Saved.

$$1200 - 430 = 770$$
 bits saved in total.

### **Encoding Sample Words**

• "next":

$$n = 1111, \quad e = 01, \quad x \text{ (or } z) = 1000, \quad t = 00$$
 
$$\text{``next''} = 1111\,01\,1000\,00 = 111101100000.$$

• "stern":

$$s=110, \quad t=00, \quad e=01, \quad r=101, \quad n=1111$$
 "stern" = 110 00 01 101 1111 = 11000011011111.

• "nertzrents":

$$n=1111,\ e=01,\ r=101,\ t=00,\ z=1000,\ r=101,\ e=01,\ n=1111,\ t=00,\ s=110$$
 "nertzrents" = 1111 01 101 00 1000 101 01 1111 00 110 
$$=11110110100100010101111100110.$$