

Information and Coding Theory CO349

Tutorial

Sheet 3 - Questions

Exercise 1 (Biggs, Ex 5.15) Consider the channel Γ which accepts as input $1, 2, \dots, 2n$ and outputs 0 iff the input is **even** and 1 for **odd** input. Write down the channel matrix.

Show that for any input distribution \mathbf{p} and $\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{p}\Gamma$ we have $H(\mathbf{p}) - H(\Gamma; \mathbf{p}) = H(\mathbf{q})$.

Furthermore, show that the channel capacity $\gamma = 1$ and explain this.

Exercise 2 (Exam 2015) Consider the following channel (matrix) $\Gamma = (\Gamma_{ij})_{i,j=1}^8$ with

$$\Gamma_{ij} = \frac{1}{8}$$

for $i, j = 1, \dots, 8$, and the distributions $\mathbf{p} = (1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)$ and $\mathbf{p}^* = (\frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{8})$. Is Γ indeed a channel matrix?

Describe briefly what effect this channel has on any message sent through it. Compute $\mathbf{H}(\Gamma; \mathbf{p})$ and $\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{p})$ as well as $\mathbf{H}(\Gamma; \mathbf{p}^*)$ and $\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{p}^*)$, respectively.

Exercise 3 (Biggs, Ex 6.15) If require a (binary) code $C \subseteq \mathbb{B}^6$ with information rate $\rho \geq 0.35$, what is the smallest number of code-words in C .