

Solution to Task 1.1 (Introduction to probability theory)

- a) As all three coin tosses are independent, the probability for a specific result is the product of the probabilities of three single coin tosses.

ω_i	$P(\omega_i)$	X	Y	XY
HHH	$\frac{1}{27}$	3	1	3
HHT	$\frac{2}{27}$	2	1	2
HTH	$\frac{2}{27}$	2	1	2
HTT	$\frac{4}{27}$	1	1	1
THH	$\frac{2}{27}$	2	0	0
THT	$\frac{4}{27}$	1	0	0
TTH	$\frac{4}{27}$	1	0	0
TTT	$\frac{8}{27}$	0	0	0

b)

$$f_X(x) = \frac{8}{27}\delta(x) + \frac{12}{27}\delta(x-1) + \frac{6}{27}\delta(x-2) + \frac{1}{27}\delta(x-3)$$

c)

	$X = 0$	$X = 1$	$X = 2$	$X = 3$	$\Sigma = f_Y(y)$
$Y = 0$	$\frac{8}{27}$	$\frac{8}{27}$	$\frac{2}{27}$	0	$\frac{2}{3}$
$Y = 1$	0	$\frac{4}{27}$	$\frac{4}{27}$	$\frac{1}{27}$	$\frac{1}{3}$
$\Sigma = f_X(x)$	$\frac{8}{27}$	$\frac{12}{27}$	$\frac{6}{27}$	$\frac{1}{27}$	

Solution to Task 1.2 (Conditional Probability, Statistical Independence)

A : Student passes the Channel Coding exam

B : Student passes the Applied Information Theory exam

$$P(A) = 0.8$$

$$P(B) = 0.85$$

$$P(B|A) = 0.95$$

$$\text{a) } P(A \cap B) \stackrel{\text{Bayes}}{=} P(B|A) \cdot P(A) = 0.95 \cdot 0.8 = 0.76$$

$$\text{b) } P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B) = 0.8 + 0.85 - 0.76 = 0.89$$

$$\text{c) } P(A|B) \stackrel{\text{Bayes}}{=} \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{0.76}{0.85} \approx 0.8941$$

$$\text{d) } P(A \cap B) = 0.76 \neq 0.8 \cdot 0.85 = P(A) \cdot P(B) \Rightarrow \text{not independent.}$$

Solution to Task 1.3 (Total Probability)

A : Second ball is green

B_1 : First ball is green, B_2 : First ball is red, B_3 : First ball is blue

Law of total probability:

$$P(A) = P(A|B_1) \cdot P(B_1) + P(A|B_2) \cdot P(B_2) + P(A|B_3) \cdot P(B_3) = \frac{3}{11} \cdot \frac{4}{12} + \frac{4}{11} \cdot \frac{5}{12} + \frac{4}{11} \cdot \frac{3}{12} = \frac{1}{3}$$

Solution to Task 1.4 (Expected value I)

$$E[X] = 0 \cdot 0.5 + 1 \cdot 0.25 + 3 \cdot 0.25 = 1$$

x	$f_X(x) = p_i$	$-\log_2 f_X(x)$	$(x - E[X])^2$
0	0.5	1	1
1	0.25	2	0
3	0.25	2	4

$$E[f_X(X)] = \sum_x f_X(x) \cdot f_X(x) = 0.5 \cdot 0.5 + 0.25 \cdot 0.25 + 0.25 \cdot 0.25 = 0.375$$

$$E[-\log(f_X(X))] = -\sum_x f_X(x) \log_2 f_X(x) = 0.5 \cdot 1 + 0.25 \cdot 2 + 0.25 \cdot 2 = 1.5$$

$$\text{Variance: } E[(X - E[X])^2] = \sum_x (x_i - E[X])^2 f_X(x) = 1 \cdot 0.5 + 0 \cdot 0.25 + 4 \cdot 0.25 = 1.5$$

Solution to Task 1.5 (Expected value II)

Recall: $E[a \cdot g_1(X) + b \cdot g_2(X)] = aE[g_1(X)] + bE[g_2(X)]$

a)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sigma_X^2 &= E[(X - \mu_X)^2] \\
 &= E[X^2 - 2\mu_X X + \mu_X^2] \\
 &= E[X^2] - 2\mu_X E[X] + \mu_X^2 \\
 &= \mu_{X^2} - \mu_X^2 \\
 \sigma_{XY}^2 &= E[(X - \mu_X)(Y - \mu_Y)] \\
 &= E[XY - \mu_X Y - \mu_Y X + \mu_X \mu_Y] \\
 &= E[XY] - \mu_X E[Y] - \mu_Y E[X] + \mu_X \mu_Y \\
 &= \mu_{XY} - \mu_X \mu_Y
 \end{aligned}$$

b) $Z = X + Y$:

If X and Y are uncorrelated, then $\mu_{XY} = \mu_X \mu_Y$ according to a).

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mu_Z &= E[Z] = E[X + Y] \\
 &= E[X] + E[Y] \\
 &= \mu_X + \mu_Y
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sigma_Z^2 &= E[(Z - \mu_Z)^2] \\
 &= E[Z^2 - 2\mu_Z Z + \mu_Z^2] \\
 &= E[Z^2] - 2\mu_Z E[Z] + \mu_Z^2 \\
 &= E[Z^2] - \mu_Z^2 \\
 &= E[(X + Y)^2] - \mu_Z^2 \\
 &= \mu_{X^2} + 2\mu_{XY} + \mu_{Y^2} - (\mu_X + \mu_Y)^2 \\
 &= \mu_{X^2} - \mu_X^2 + \mu_{Y^2} - \mu_Y^2 + 2\mu_{XY} - 2\mu_X \mu_Y \\
 \stackrel{\text{uncorr.}}{\Rightarrow} \sigma_Z^2 &= \mu_{X^2} - \mu_X^2 + \mu_{Y^2} - \mu_Y^2 \\
 &\stackrel{a)}{=} \sigma_X^2 + \sigma_Y^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution to Task 1.6 (Binomial distribution, Geometric distribution)

a) We use the binomial distribution

$$P(X = m) = \binom{n}{m} p^m (1 - p)^{n-m} \text{ (Probability for } m \text{ successes in } n \text{ runs)}$$

X : Number of incorrectly transmitted bits

$$P(X = 2) = \binom{50}{2} \cdot 0.01^2 \cdot (1 - 0.01)^{48} \approx 0.0756$$

b) We again use binomial distribution.

$$P(X \geq 1) = 1 - P(X = 0)$$

$$P(X = 0) = \binom{50}{0} \cdot 0.01^0 \cdot (1 - 0.01)^{50} \approx 0.6050$$

$$P(X \geq 1) = 1 - P(X = 0) = 1 - 0.6050 \approx 0.395$$

c)

$$\begin{aligned} P(X \geq 100) &= (1 - 0.01)^{100} \\ &= 0.99^{100} \\ &\approx 0.3660 \end{aligned}$$

Alternative solution: We also can use the geometric distribution

$$P(X = m) = p(1 - p)^m \text{ (first success in run } (m + 1) \text{ after } m \text{ failures)}$$

X : number of correctly transmitted bits before the first erroneous bit

$$\begin{aligned} P(X \geq 100) &= 1 - P(X \leq 99) \\ &= 1 - \sum_{k=0}^{99} P(X = k) \\ &= 1 - \sum_{k=0}^{99} (1 - p)^k \cdot p \\ &\stackrel{(*)}{=} 1 - p \cdot \frac{1 - (1 - p)^{100}}{1 - (1 - p)} \\ &= 1 - (1 - (1 - p)^{100}) \\ &= 0.99^{100} \\ &\approx 0.3660 \end{aligned}$$

(*) Here, the geometrical sum is used:

$$\sum_{i=0}^n z^i = \frac{1 - z^{n+1}}{1 - z} \quad \forall z \neq 1$$