# Binary symmetric channel

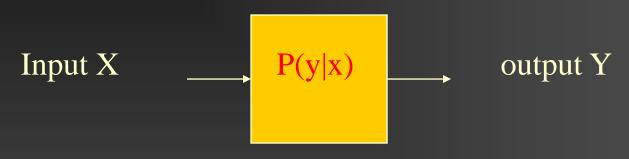
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#### some channel models



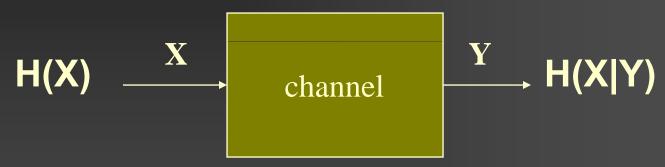
transition probabilities

#### memoryless:

- output at time i depends only on input at time i
- input and output alphabet finite

#### channel capacity:

I(X;Y) = H(X) - H(X|Y) = H(Y) - H(Y|X) (Shannon 1948)

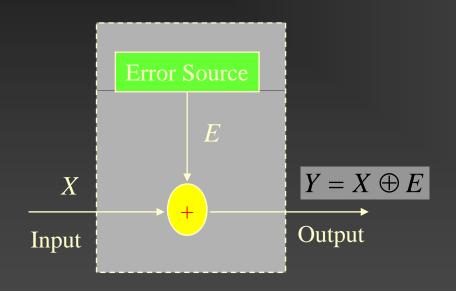


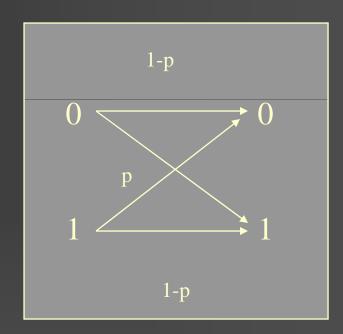
$$\max_{P(x)} I(X;Y) = capacity$$

#### notes:

capacity depends on input probabilities because the transition probabilites are fixed

## channel model: binary symmetric channel





E is the binary error sequence s.t. P(1) = 1-P(0) = p

X is the binary information sequence

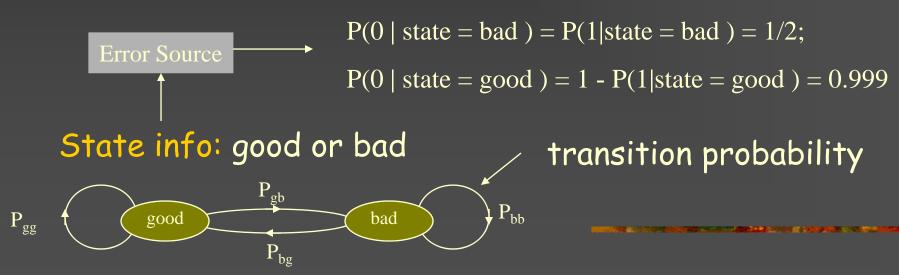
Y is the binary output sequence

#### burst error model

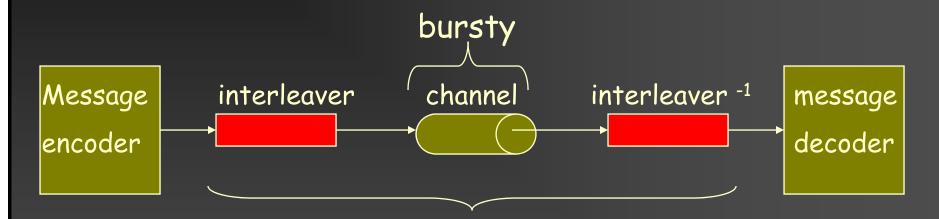
#### Random error channel; outputs independent

Error Source 
$$P(0) = 1 - P(1)$$
;

#### Burst error channel; outputs dependent



## Interleaving:



"random error"

Note: interleaving brings encoding and decoding delay

Homework: compare the block and convolutional interleaving w.r.t. delay

# Interleaving: block

Channel models are difficult to derive:

- burst definition?
- random and burst errors?

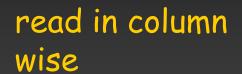
for practical reasons: convert burst into random error

read in row wise

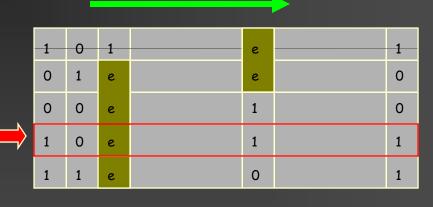
1	0	1	0	1
0	1	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	0
1	0	0	1	1
1	1	0	0	1

transmit column wise

# De-Interleaving: block

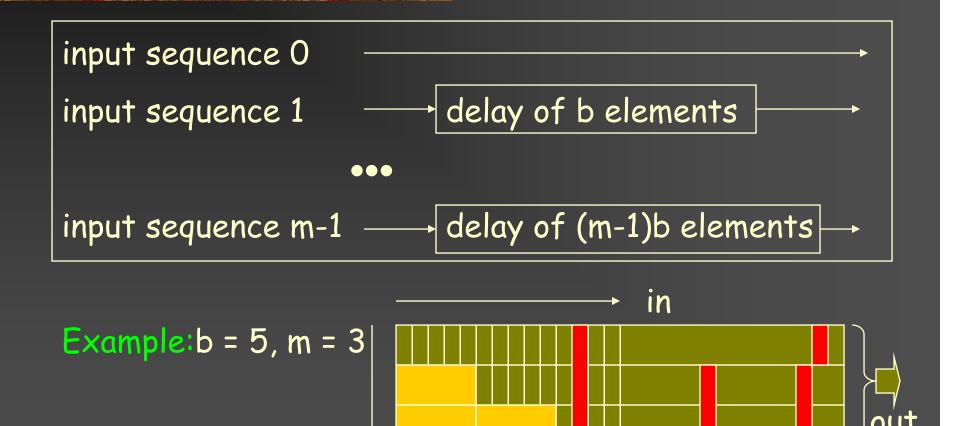


this row contains 1 error

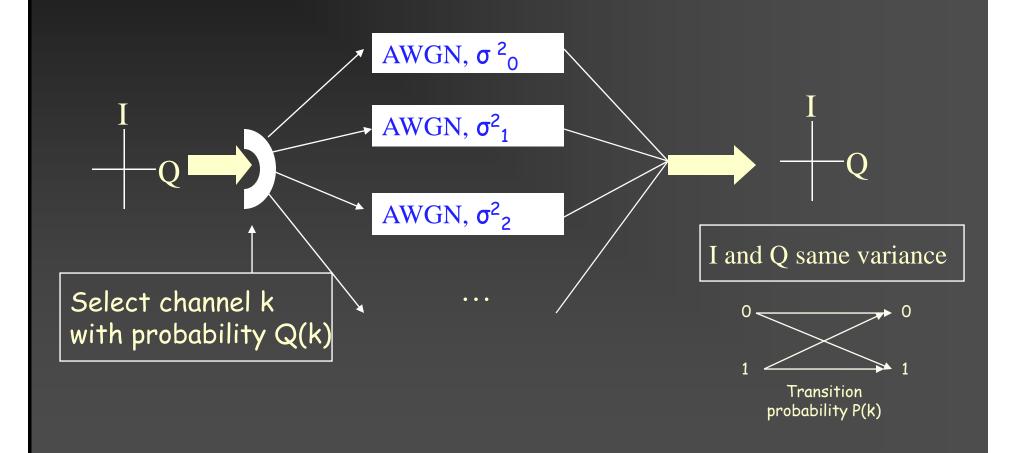


read out row wise

# Interleaving: convolutional



#### Class A Middleton channel model



## Example: Middleton's class A

Pr{ 
$$\sigma = \sigma(k)$$
 } = Q(k), k = 0,1, · · ·

$$\sigma(k) := \left(\frac{k\sigma_{I}^{2} / A + \sigma_{G}^{2}}{\sigma_{I}^{2} + \sigma_{G}^{2}}\right)^{1/2}$$

$$Q(k) := \frac{e^{-A}A^{k}}{k!}$$

A is the impulsive index

 $\sigma_{I}^{2}$  and  $\sigma_{G}^{2}$  are the impulsive and Gaussian noise power

## Example of parameters

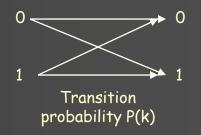
Middleton's class A= 1; E =  $\sigma$  = 1;  $\sigma_I / \sigma_G$  = 10<sup>-1.5</sup>

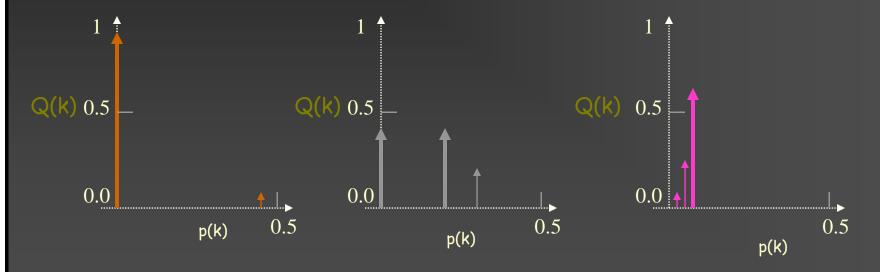
k	Q(k)	p(k) (= transition probability)
0	0.36	0.00
1	0.37	0.16
2	0.19	0.24
3	0.06	0.28
4	0.02	0.31

Average p = 0.124; Capacity (BSC) = 0.457

## Example of parameters

Middleton's class A: E = 1;  $\sigma = 1$ ;  $\sigma_{I} / \sigma_{G} = 10^{-3}$ 





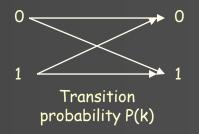
$$A = 0.1$$

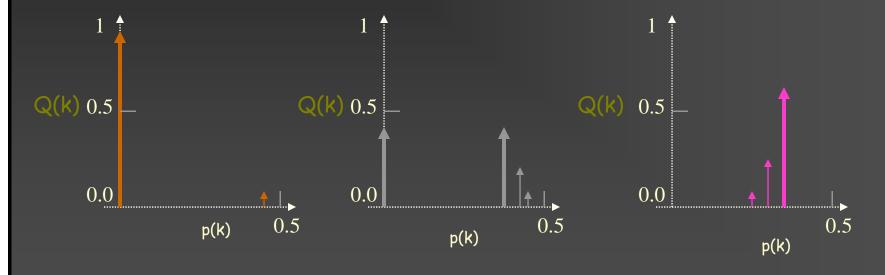
$$A = 1$$

$$A = 10$$

## Example of parameters

Middleton's class A: E = 0.01;  $\sigma = 1$ ;  $\sigma_{I} / \sigma_{G} = 10^{-3}$ 



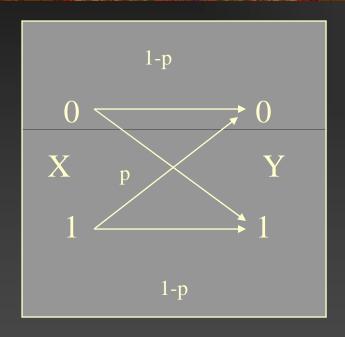


$$A = 0.1$$

$$A = 1$$

$$A = 10$$

## channel capacity: the BSC



$$I(X;Y) = H(Y) - H(Y|X)$$
  
the maximum of  $H(Y) = 1$ 

since Y is binary

$$H(Y|X) = h(p)$$

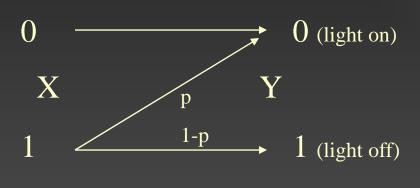
= P(X=0)h(p) + P(X=1)h(p)

Conclusion: the capacity for the BSC  $C_{BSC}$  = 1- h(p)

Homework: draw  $C_{BSC}$ , what happens for  $p > \frac{1}{2}$ 

## channel capacity: the Z-channel

#### Application in optical communications



$$P(X=0) = P_0$$

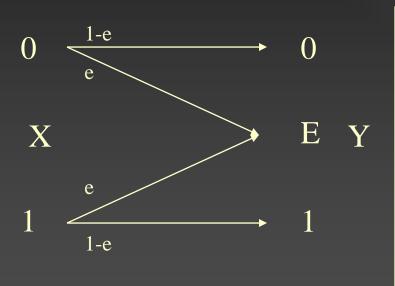
$$H(Y) = h(P_0 + p(1 - P_0))$$

$$H(Y|X) = (1 - P_0) h(p)$$

For capacity, maximize I(X;Y) over  $P_0$ 

## channel capacity: the erasure channel

#### Application: cdma detection



$$P(X=0) = P_0$$

$$I(X;Y) = H(X) - H(X|Y)$$

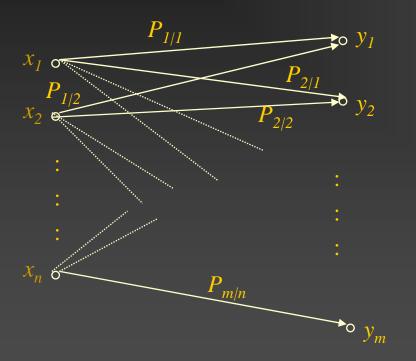
$$H(X) = h(P_0)$$

$$H(X|Y) = e h(P_0)$$

Thus 
$$C_{\text{erasure}} = 1 - e$$

(check!, draw and compare with BSC and Z)

## channel models: general diagram



Input alphabet  $X = \{x_1, x_2, ..., x_n\}$ Output alphabet  $Y = \{y_1, y_2, ..., y_m\}$  $P_{j/i} = P_{Y/X}(y_j|x_i)$ 

In general:

calculating capacity needs more
theory

## clue:

I(X;Y)

is convex  $\cap$  in the input probabilities

i.e. finding a maximum is simple

## Channel capacity

#### Definition:

The rate R of a code is the ratio  $\frac{k}{n}$ , where

k is the number of information bits transmitted in n channel uses

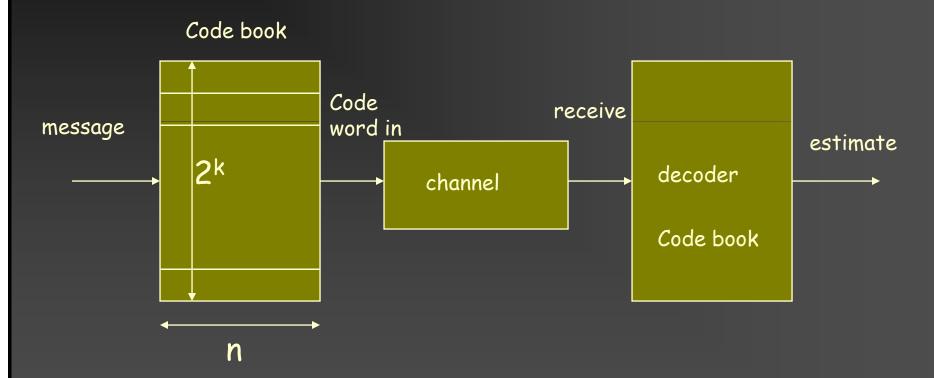
#### Shannon showed that::

for  $R \leq C$ 

encoding methods exist

with decoding error probability  $\Rightarrow$  0

#### System design



There are 2k code words of length n

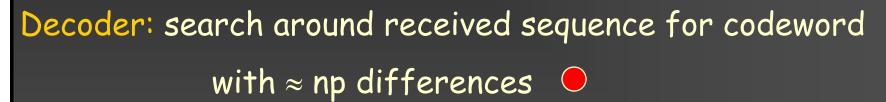
# Channel capacity: sketch of proof for the BSC

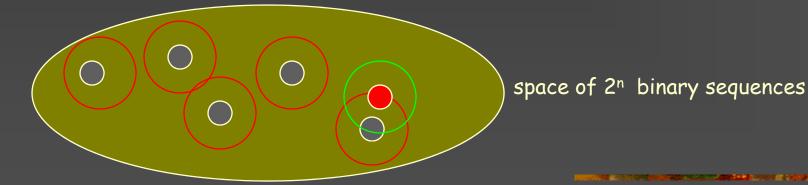
Code:  $2^k$  binary codewords where  $p(0) = P(1) = \frac{1}{2}$ 



Channel errors:  $P(0 \rightarrow 1) = P(1 \rightarrow 0) = p$ 

i.e. # error sequences  $\approx 2^{nh(p)}$ 





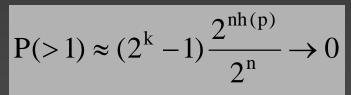
# Channel capacity: decoding error probability

#### 1. For t errors: $|t/n-p| > \epsilon$

$$\rightarrow$$
 0 for  $n \rightarrow \infty$ 

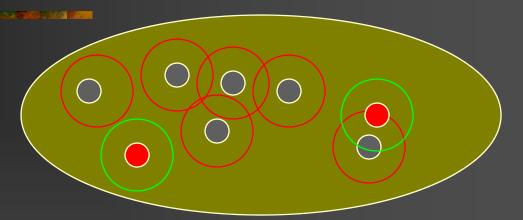
(law of large numbers)

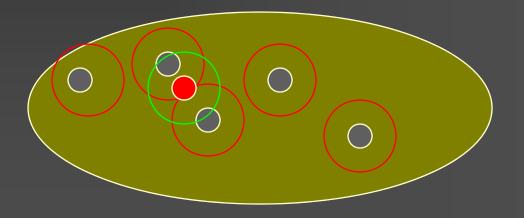
# 2. > 1 code word in region (codewords random)



for 
$$R = \frac{k}{n} < 1 - h(p)$$

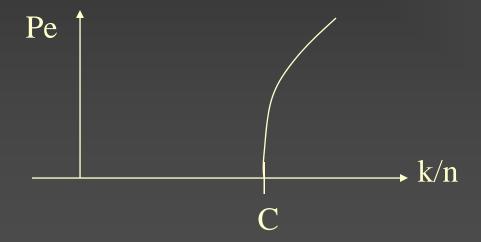
and  $n \to \infty$ 



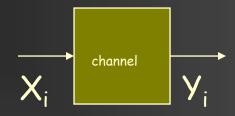


#### Channel capacity: converse

For R > C the decoding error probability > 0

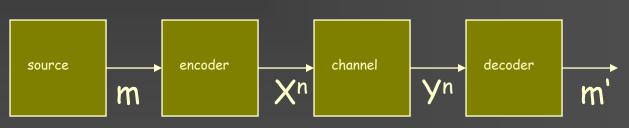


#### Converse: For a discrete memory less channel



$$I(X^{n};Y^{n}) = H(Y^{n}) - \sum_{i=1}^{n} H(Y_{i} \mid X_{i}) \le \sum_{i=1}^{n} H(Y_{i}) - \sum_{i=1}^{n} H(Y_{i} \mid X_{i}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} I(X_{i};Y_{i}) \le nC$$

Source generates one out of 2<sup>k</sup> equiprobable messages



Let Pe = probability that m' ≠ m

#### converse R := k/n

$$k = H(M) = I(M;Y^n) + H(M|Y^n)$$

$$\leq I(X^n;Y^n) + 1 + k Pe$$

$$\leq nC + 1 + k Pe$$

$$1 - C n/k - 1/k \leq Pe$$

$$Pe \ge 1 - C/R - 1/k$$

Hence: for large k, and R > C,
the probability of error Pe > 0

## Appendix:

#### Assume:

binary sequence P(0) = 1 - P(1) = 1 - P(1)

t is the # of 1's in the sequence

Then  $n \to \infty$ ,  $\epsilon > 0$ 

Weak law of large numbers

Probability ( $|t/n-p| > \varepsilon$ )  $\rightarrow 0$ 

i.e. we expect with high probability pn 1's

## Appendix:

#### Consequence:

1.  $n(p-\epsilon) < t < n(p+\epsilon)$  with high probability

$$\log_2 \sum_{n(p-\epsilon)}^{n(p+\epsilon)} \binom{n}{t} \approx \log_2 (2n\epsilon \binom{n}{pn}) \approx \log_2 2n\epsilon + \log_2 2^{nh(p)}$$

$$\frac{1}{n}\log_2 2n\varepsilon + \frac{1}{n}\log_2 2^{nh(p)} \rightarrow h(p)$$

4. A sequence in this set has probability  $\approx 2^{-nh(p)}$