

EE 637 Final Exam  
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**Instructions:** Two hour exam, with no books, notes or calculators.

**Problem 1.**(20pt)

An imaging system has an impulse response of

$$g(m, n) = \delta(m, n) + \alpha h(m, n)$$

where  $0 < \alpha \ll 1$ , and  $h(m, n)$  is defined by

$$h(m, n) = \begin{cases} 1/9 & |m| \leq 1 \text{ and } |n| \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}.$$

- a) Compute the frequency response of the imaging system,  $G(e^{j\mu}, e^{j\nu})$ , and explain the effect of this response on images.
- b) Compute a filter  $F(e^{j\mu}, e^{j\nu})$  that approximately corrects for the distortion of the imaging system by using the relationship that

$$\frac{1}{1+a} \approx 1 - a$$

- c) Compute the impulse response of the correcting filter,  $f(m, n)$ , and explain the effect of the filter on images.



**Problem 2.**(20pt)

Let  $X_{m,n}$  be i.i.d. samples from the distribution  $N(0, 1)$ . Let  $Y_{m,n}$  be a derived from  $X_{m,n}$  using the difference equation

$$Y_{m,n} = X_{m,n} + aY_{m-1,n} + aY_{m,n-1} - a^2Y_{m-1,n-1} \quad (1)$$

where  $0 < a < 1$ .

- a) Compute,  $S_y(e^{j\mu, j\nu})$ , the power spectrum of  $Y_{m,n}$ .
- b) Is equation (1) a stable system? Prove or disprove your result.

Let  $Z_{m,n}$  be derived from  $Y_{m,n}$  by applying a filter  $h_{m,n}$ .

- c) Determine **all** filters  $h_{m,n}$  so that the samples  $Z_{m,n}$  are i.i.d.



**Problem 3.**(20pt)

A subject is presented with a achromatic visual stimulus (i.e. an image) at a distance  $d$  and with a luminance of

$$L(x, y) = A + B \sin(2\pi f(x + y))$$

where  $x$  and  $y$  are horizontal and vertical coordinates of the stimulus respectively.

a) Compute the number of cycles per degree of the stimulus in terms of  $f$  and  $d$ .

Next, the value of  $B$  is adjusted so that the subject can detect the sine wave grating 50% of the time.

b) Sketch the value of the ratio  $B/A$  as a function of the value  $A$ . Explain the shape of your plot. Assume the  $f$  is chosen so that the stimulus is at approximately 5 cycles per degree.

c) Sketch the value of the ratio  $B/A$  as a function of the value  $f$ . Explain the shape of your plot. Assume the  $A$  is chosen to be in the photopic range of the visual system.



**Problem 4.**(20pt)

Let  $X_{m,n}$  be a discrete valued random image with i.i.d pixels that take on values in the set  $\{0, 1, \dots, 6\}$ . Furthermore, let the marginal distribution of  $X_{m,n}$  be given by

$x$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
$P\{X_{m,n} = x\}$	0.40	0.30	0.08	0.07	0.06	0.05	0.04

Design a Huffman code for the symbols of this image and do the following:

- Show the binary tree for your code. Label the probability of each node and the binary value for each branch.
- List the binary code for each symbol.
- Compute the expected code length.
- Give a strategy for designing a code with reduced bit rate. Be specific, and explain how much the bit rate may be reduced.



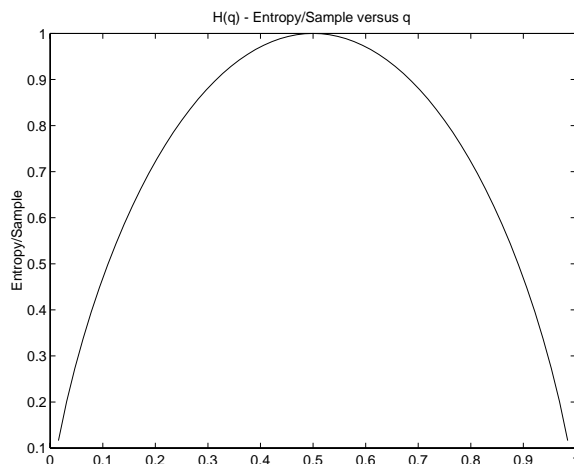


**Problem 5.**(20pt)

Let  $X_{m,n}$  be a random binary valued image which you need to compress using a lossless predictive coder. In order to design the coder, you first measure statistics from sample images,  $x_{m,n}$ , to form a histogram  $h_{i,j,k}$ . The histogram is given by

$x_{m,n} = i$	$x_{m-1,n} = j$	$x_{m,n-1} = k$	$h_{i,j,k}$
0	0	0	30
0	0	1	6
0	1	0	2
0	1	1	2
1	0	0	2
1	0	1	2
1	1	0	6
1	1	1	14

The following figure is a plot of the function  $H(q) = -q \log_2(q) - (1 - q) \log_2(1 - q)$



- Compute an estimate for the marginal distribution of  $X_{m,n}$ ,  $p_i = P\{X_{m,n} = i\}$ .
- Given the result of part a) and the entropy plot, compute the per sample entropy of  $X_{m,n}$  under the assumption that pixels are i.i.d.
- Compute an estimate for the joint distribution of  $(X_{m-1,n}, X_{m,n-1})$ ,

$$g_{jk} = P\{X_{m-1,n} = j, X_{m,n-1} = k\} .$$

- Compute the predictor  $\hat{X}(j, k)$  which minimizes the probability of error given  $X_{m-1,n} = j, X_{m,n-1} = k$ .
- Define the image of prediction errors  $Z_{m,n}$  so that

$$Z_{m,n} = \begin{cases} 0 & X_{m,n} = \hat{X}(j, k) \\ 1 & X_{m,n} \neq \hat{X}(j, k) \end{cases}$$

Given the result of part d) and the entropy plot, compute the per sample entropy of  $Z(m, n)$  under the assumption that its pixels are i.i.d.



