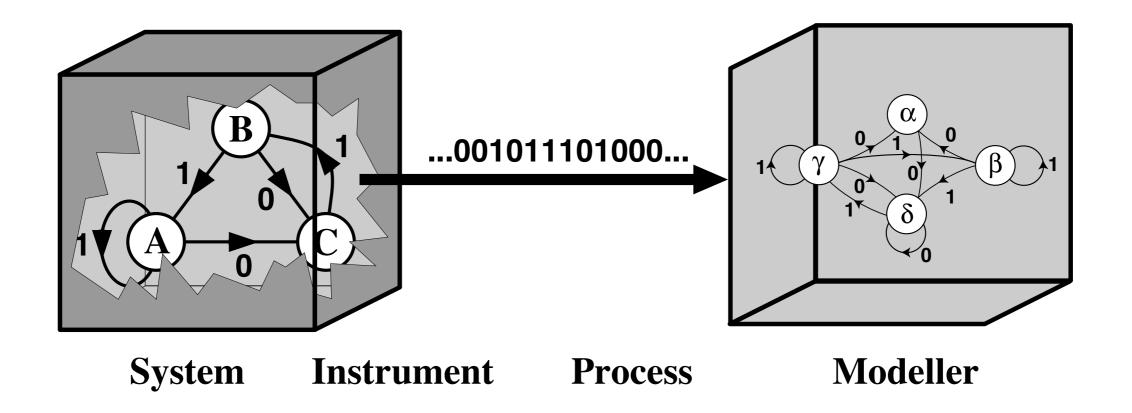
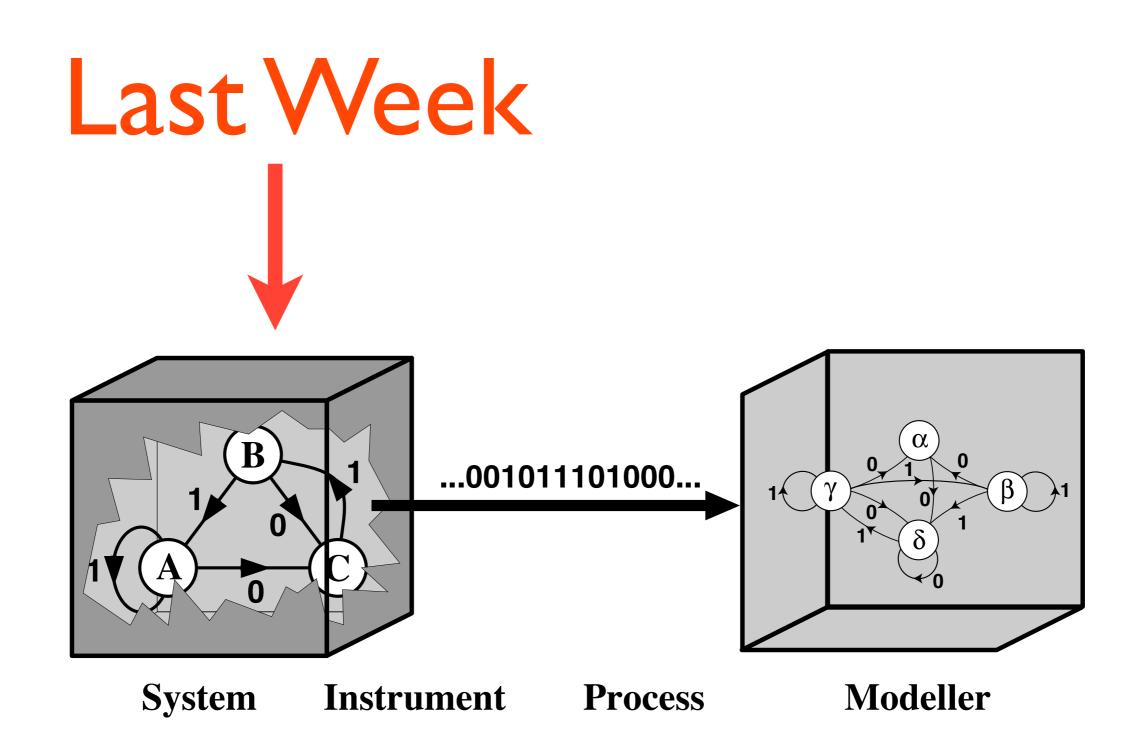
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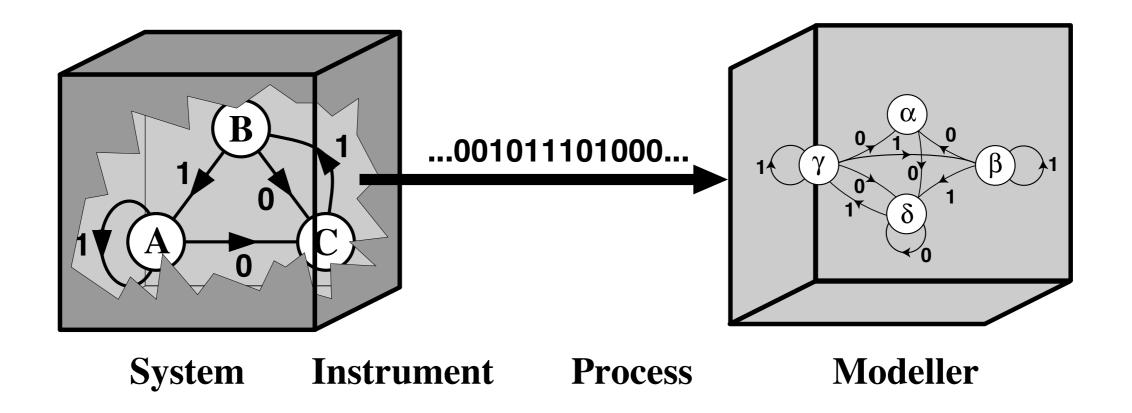
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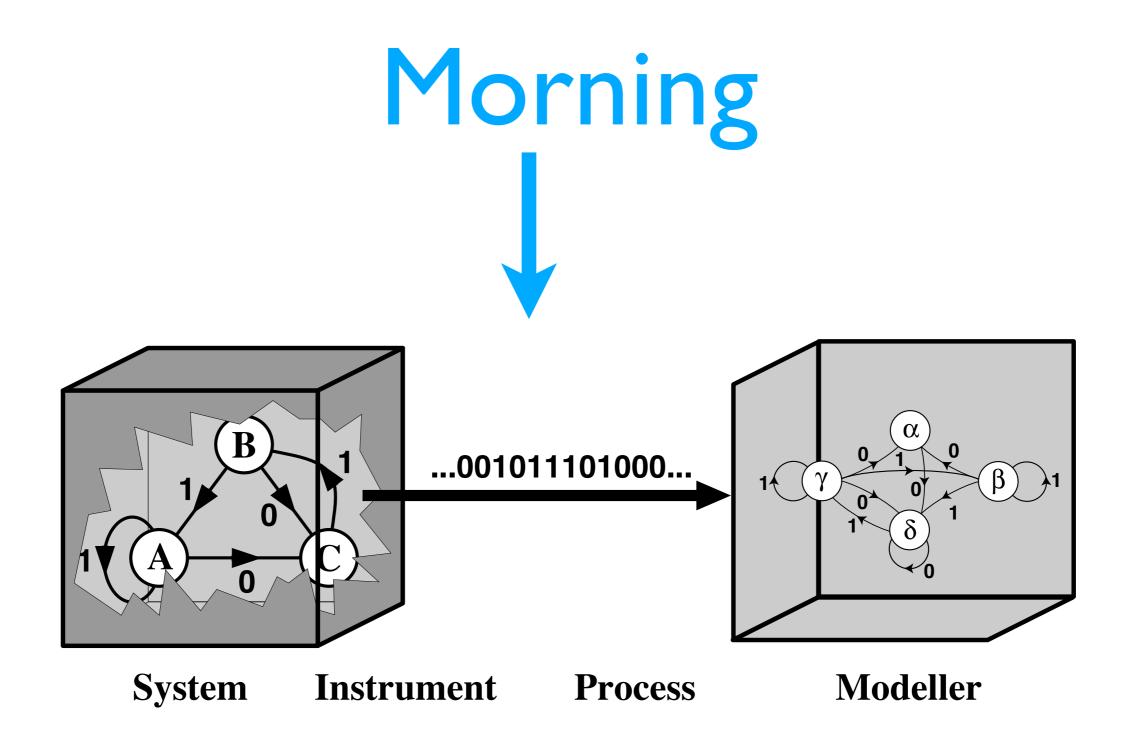
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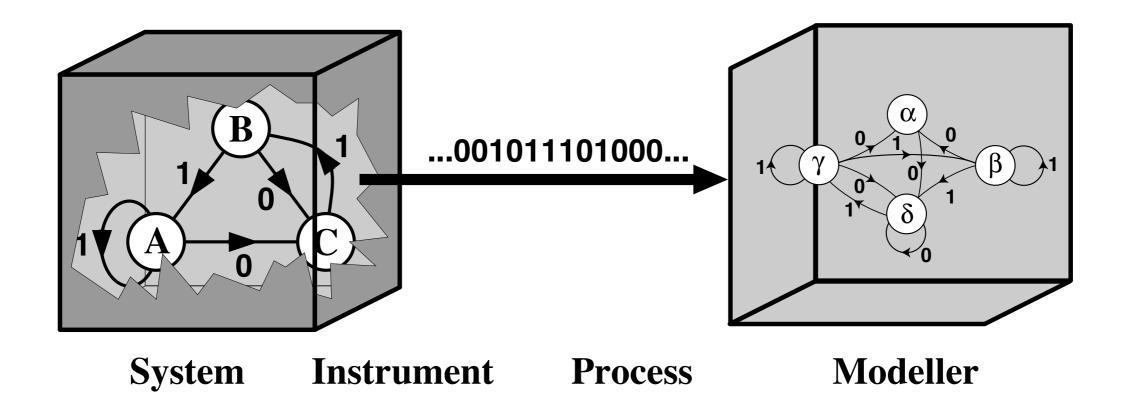


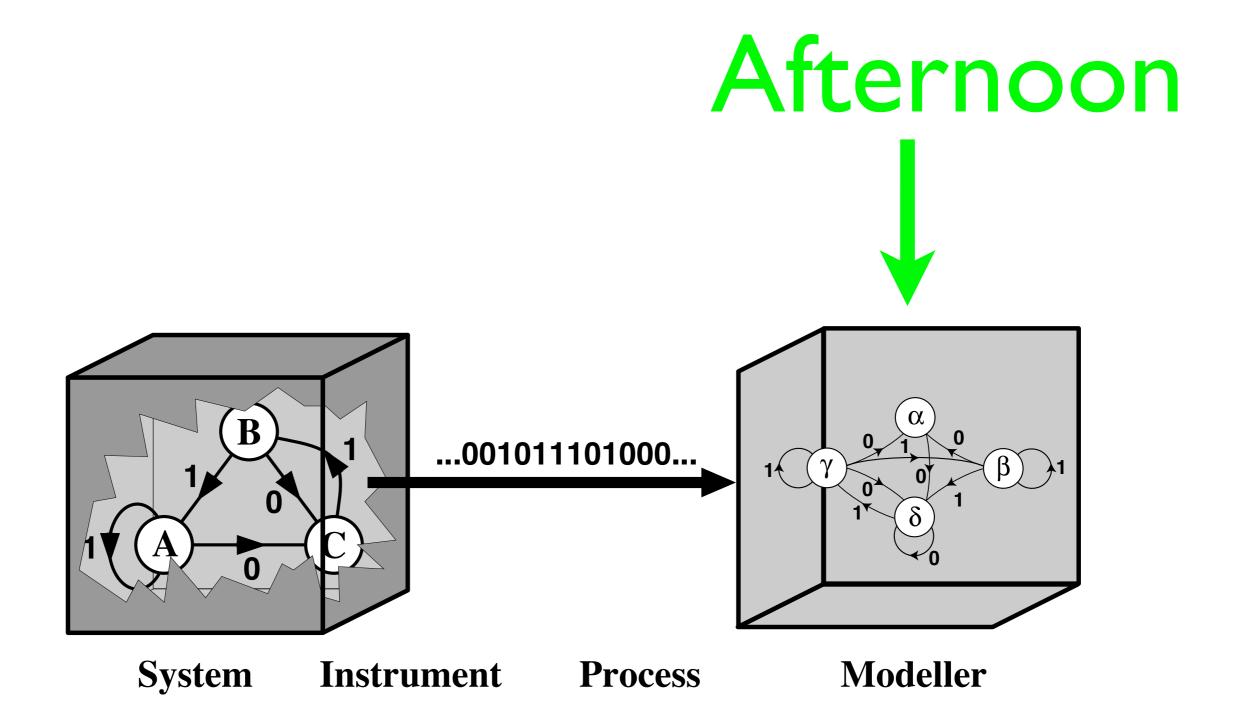






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Complexity

Morning:

Processes (Jim: 9:30-10:45 AM)

Information (Jim + Ryan: I I:00 AM-I 2:00 PM)

Afternoon:

Structure (Jim: 1:30-2:45 PM)

Measures of Complexity (Jim: 3:00-4:00 PM)

Evening 6:30-8:00 PM: Labs (Ryan)

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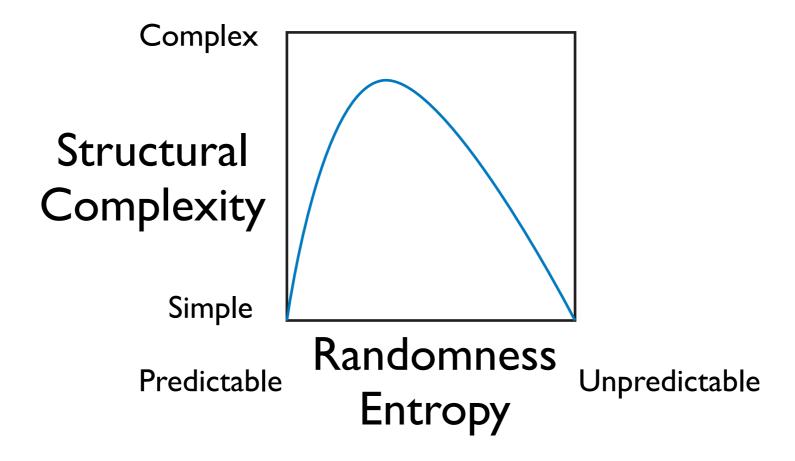
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Applications?

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Computational Mechanics Complexity-Entropy Diagram:

Analyze a class of processes: Chaos, spin systems, biosequences, hydrodynamics, ...



Analogous to Thermodynamic Phase Diagram (gas, liquid, solid). But uses only intrinsic computation properties.

A wide diversity of Complexity-Entropy Diagrams.

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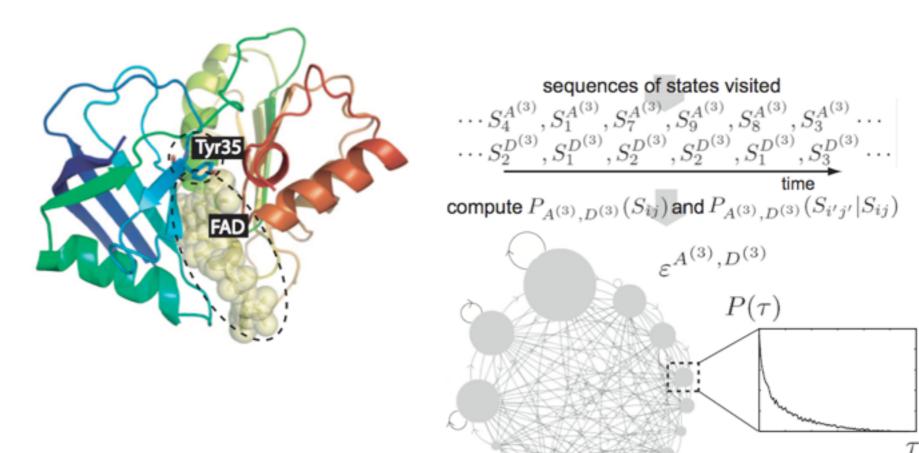
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Computational Mechanics: Application to Experimental Molecular Dynamics Spectroscopy

Multiscale complex network of protein conformational fluctuations in single-molecule time series

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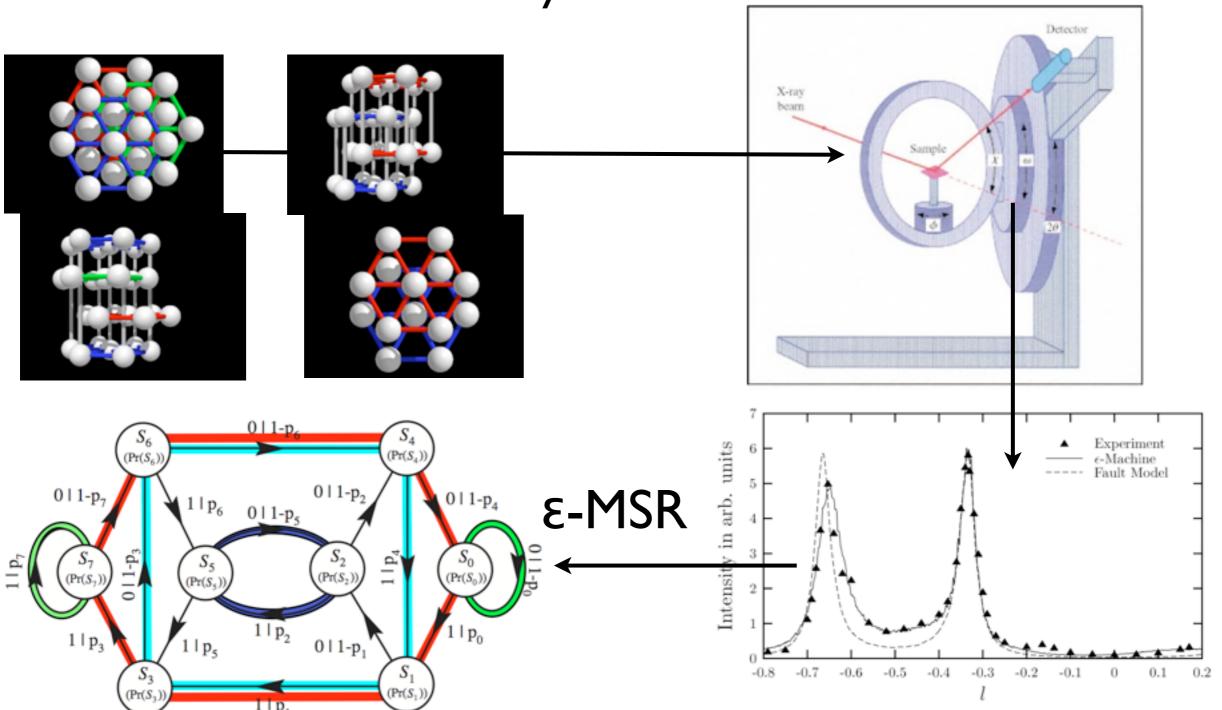
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Computational Mechanics:
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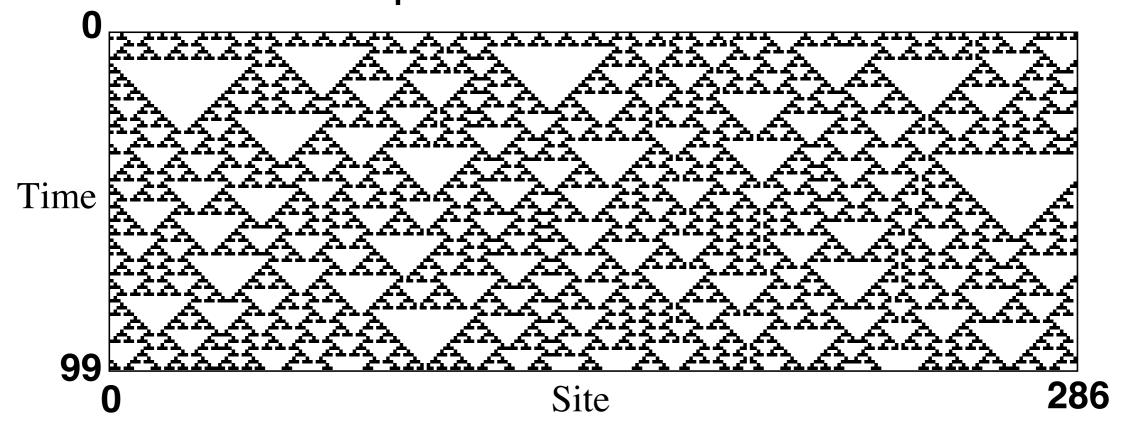


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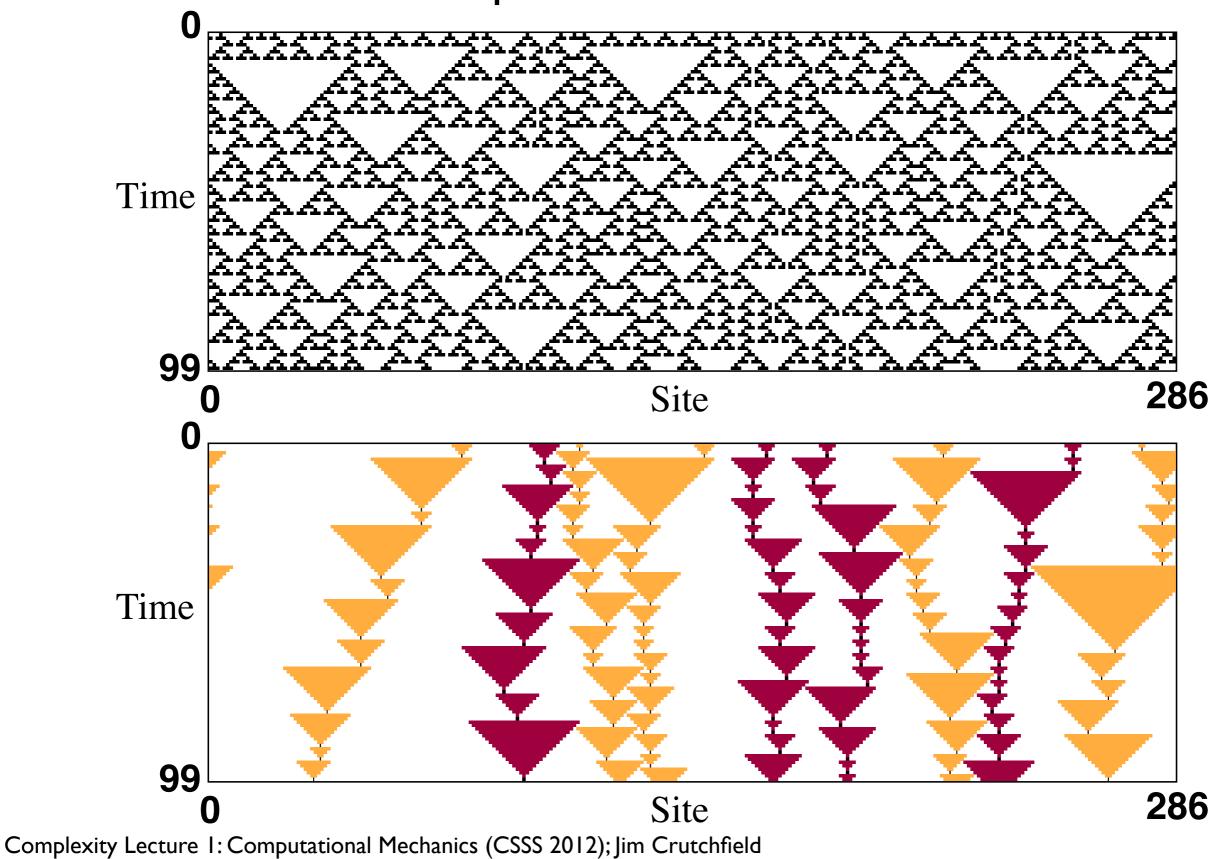
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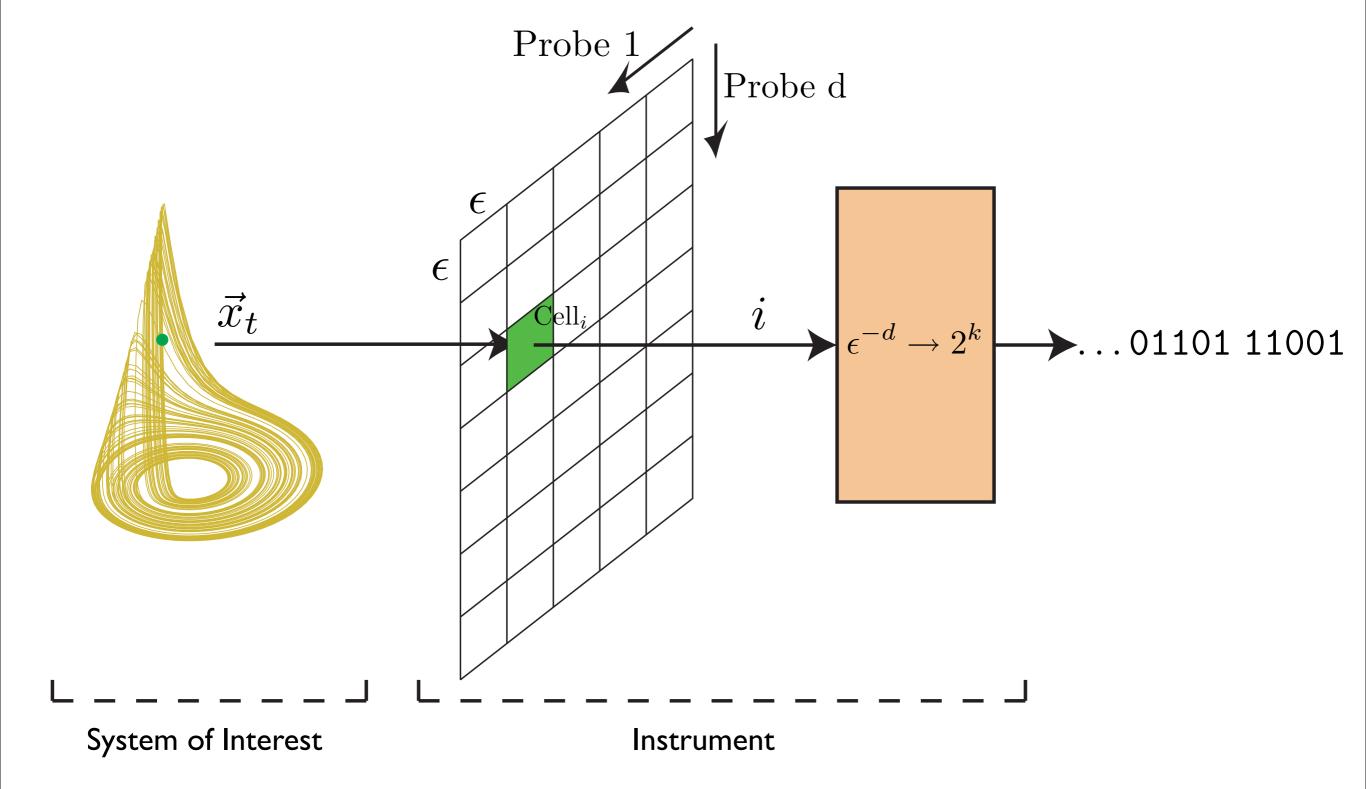


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Measures of Complexity ...

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Measurement Channel

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Measurement Theory ...

Main questions now:

How do we characterize the resulting process?

Measure degrees of unpredictability & randomness.

What correlational structure is there?

How do we build a model from the process itself?

How much can we reconstruct about the

hidden internal dynamics?

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Stochastic Processes:

Chain of random variables:

$$\stackrel{\leftrightarrow}{S} \equiv \dots S_{-2}S_{-1}S_0S_1S_2\dots$$

Random variable: S_t

Alphabet: A

Realization:

$$\cdots s_{-2}s_{-1}s_0s_1s_2\cdots ; \ s_t \in \mathcal{A}$$

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Stochastic Processes:

Chain of random variables: $\overrightarrow{S} = \overleftarrow{S}_t \overrightarrow{S}_t$

Past:
$$\overset{\leftarrow}{S}_t = \dots S_{t-3} S_{t-2} S_{t-1}$$

Future:
$$\overrightarrow{S}_t = S_t S_{t+1} S_{t+2} \dots$$

L-Block:
$$S_t^L \equiv S_t S_{t+1} \dots S_{t+L-1}$$

Word:
$$s_t^L \equiv s_t s_{t+1} \dots s_{t+L-1} \in \mathcal{A}^L$$

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Stochastic Processes ...

Process:

$$\Pr(\stackrel{\leftrightarrow}{S}) = \Pr(\dots S_{-2}S_{-1}S_0S_1S_2\dots)$$

Sequence (or word) distributions:

$$\{\Pr(S_t^L) = \Pr(S_t S_{t+1} \dots S_{t+L-1}) : S_t \in \mathcal{A}\}$$

Process:

$$\{\Pr(S_t^L): \forall t, L\}$$

Consistency conditions:

$$\Pr(S_t^{L-1}) = \sum_{S_{t+L-1}} \Pr(S_t^L) \qquad \Pr(S_{t+1}^{L-1}) = \sum_{S_t} \Pr(S_t^L)$$

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Types of Stochastic Process:

Stationary process:

$$\Pr(S_t S_{t+1} \dots S_{t+L-1}) = \Pr(S_0 S_1 \dots S_{L-1})$$

Assume stationarity, unless otherwise noted.

Notation: Drop time indices.

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Models of Stochastic Processes:

Markov chain model of a Markov process:

States:
$$v \in \mathcal{A} = \{1, \dots, k\}$$
 $V = \dots V_{-2} V_{-1} V_0 V_1 \dots$

Transition matrix: $T_{ij} = \Pr(v_{t+1}|v_t) \equiv p_{vv'}$

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} p_{11} & \cdots & p_{1k} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ p_{k1} & \cdots & p_{kk} \end{pmatrix}$$

Stochastic matrix: $\sum_{j=1}^{k} T_{ij} = 1$

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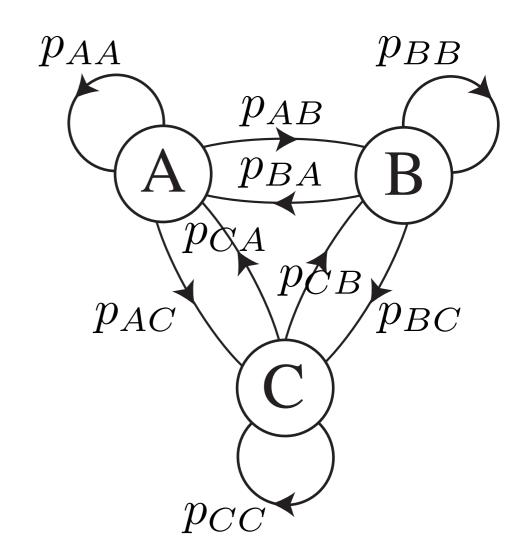
Markov chain ...

Example: $A = \{A, B, C\}$

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} p_{AA} & p_{AB} & p_{AC} \\ p_{BA} & p_{BB} & p_{BC} \\ p_{CA} & p_{CB} & p_{CC} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$p_{AA} + p_{AB} + p_{AC} = 1$$

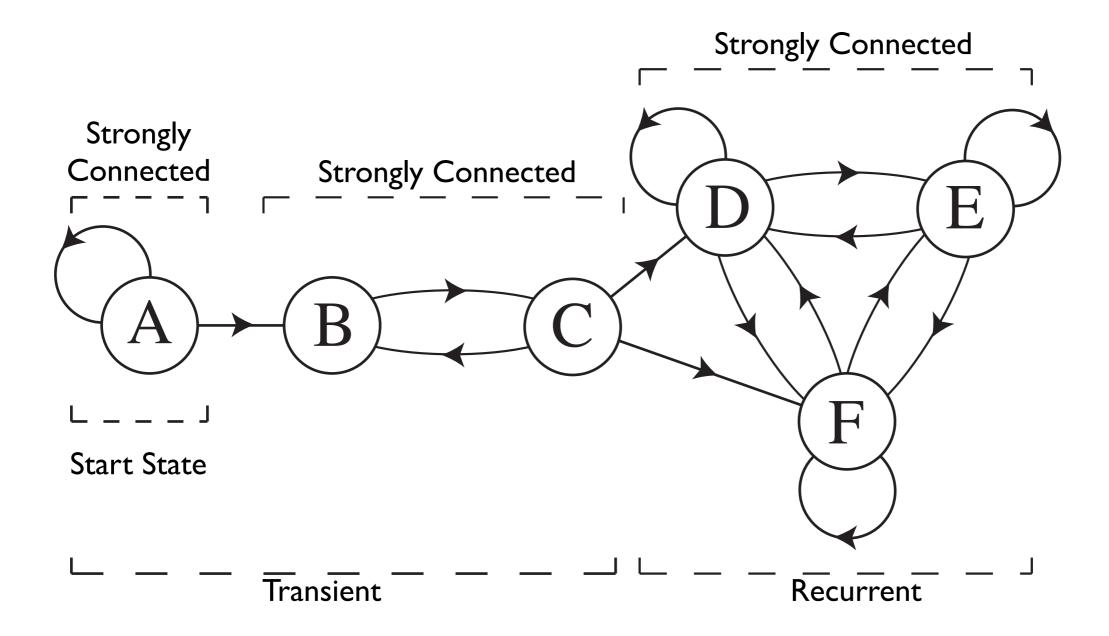
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Models of Stochastic Processes ...

Kinds of state:



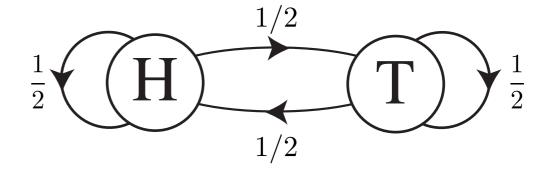
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Models of Stochastic Processes ...

Example:

Fair Coin: $A = \{H, T\}$

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\Pr(H) = \Pr(T) = 1/2$$

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Models of Stochastic Processes ...

Example:

Sequence Distribution: $Pr(v^L) = 2^{-L}$

Fair Coin ...

Word as binary fraction:

$$s^L = s_1 s_2 \dots s_L$$

$$s^{L,*} = \sum_{i=1}^{L} \frac{s_i}{2^i}$$

$$s^L \in [0, 1]$$

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Models of Stochastic Processes ...

Example:

Fair Coin ...

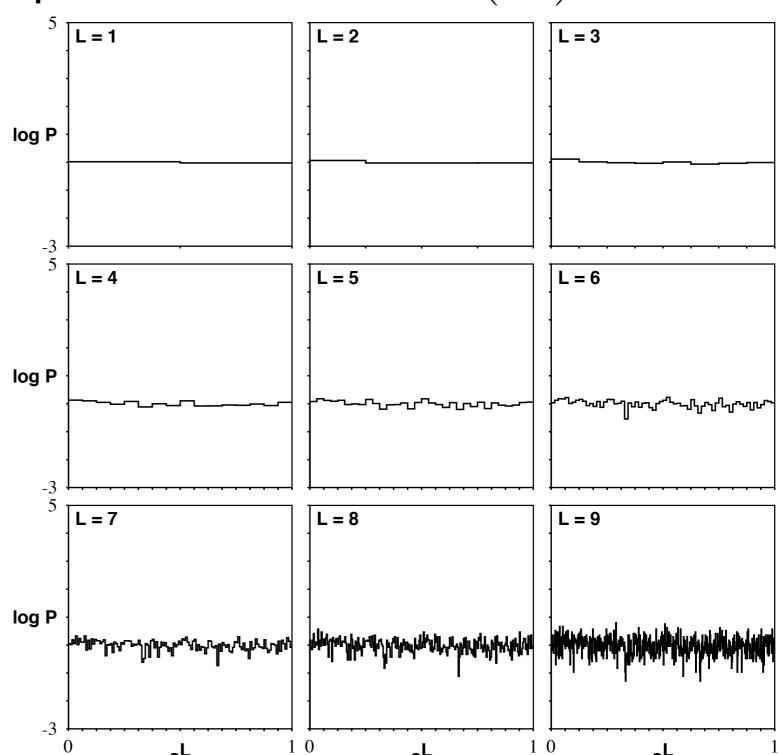
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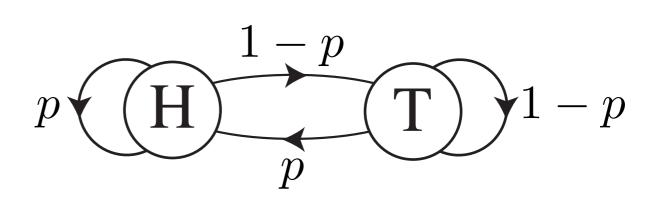
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Models of Stochastic Processes ...

Example:

Biased Coin: $A = \{H, T\}$

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} p & 1-p \\ p & 1-p \end{pmatrix}$$



$$Pr(H) = p$$
$$Pr(T) = 1 - p$$

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Processes and Their Models ...

Models of Stochastic Processes ...

Example:

Biased Coin ...

Sequence Distribution:

$$Pr(s^{L}) = p^{n}(1-p)^{L-n},$$

$$n = \text{Number } Hs \text{ in } s^{L}$$

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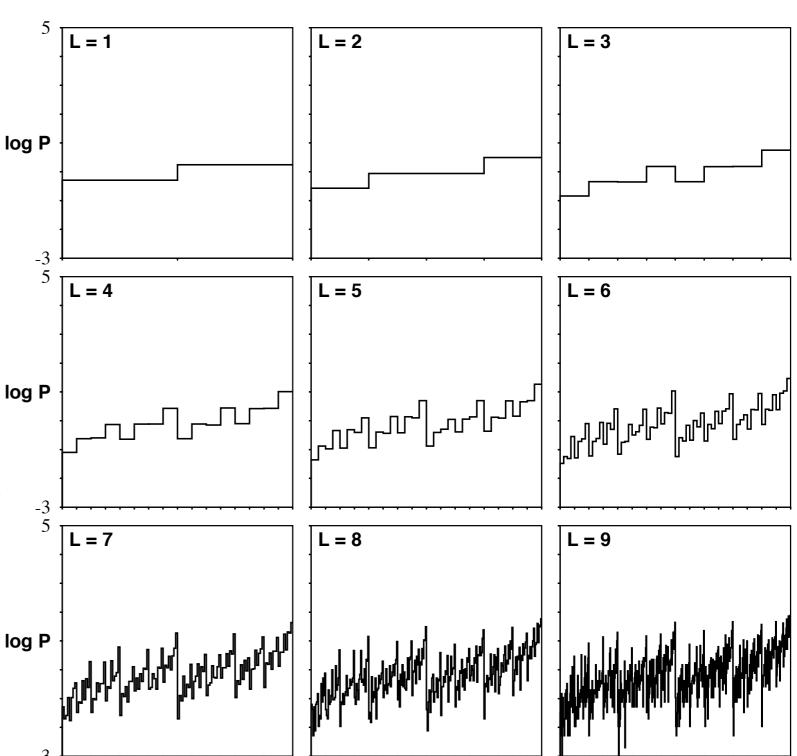
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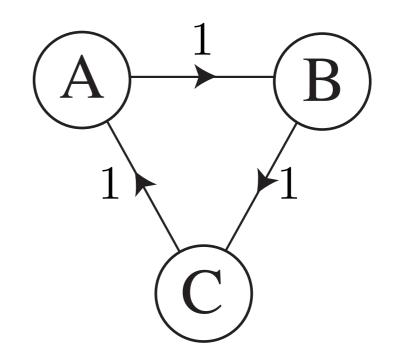
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Models of Stochastic Processes ...

Example:

Periodic: $A = \{A, B, C\}$

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



Sequence distribution:

$$\Pr(A) = \Pr(B) = \Pr(C) = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\Pr(AB) = \Pr(BC) = \Pr(CA) = \frac{1}{3} \qquad \Pr(s^2) = 0 \quad \text{ otherwise }$$

$$\Pr(ABC) = \Pr(BCA) = \Pr(CAB) = \frac{1}{3} \quad \Pr(s^3) = 0$$
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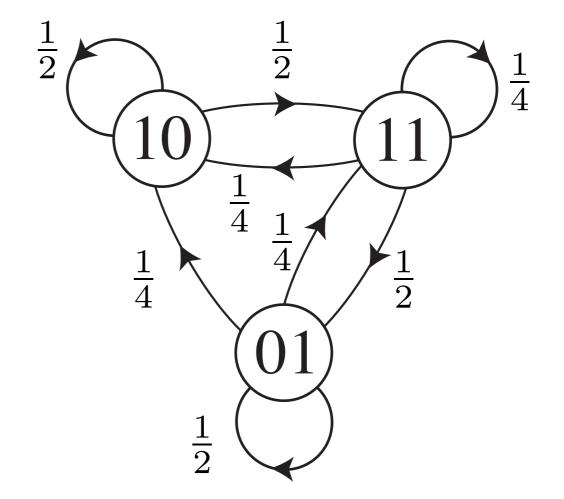
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Models of Stochastic Processes ...

Example: Golden Mean Process = "No consecutive 0s" Markov chain over 2-Blocks: $\mathcal{A} = \{10, 01, 11\}$

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\pi = \left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right)$$



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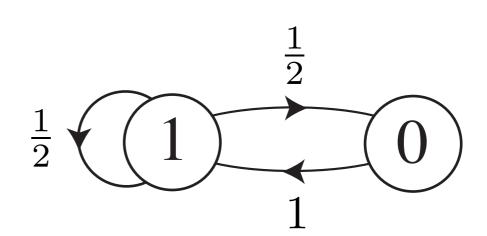
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Example: Golden Mean Process ...

Markov chain over I-Blocks: $\mathcal{A} = \{0, 1\}$

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\pi = \left(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right)$$



Also an order-I Markov chain. Minimal order.

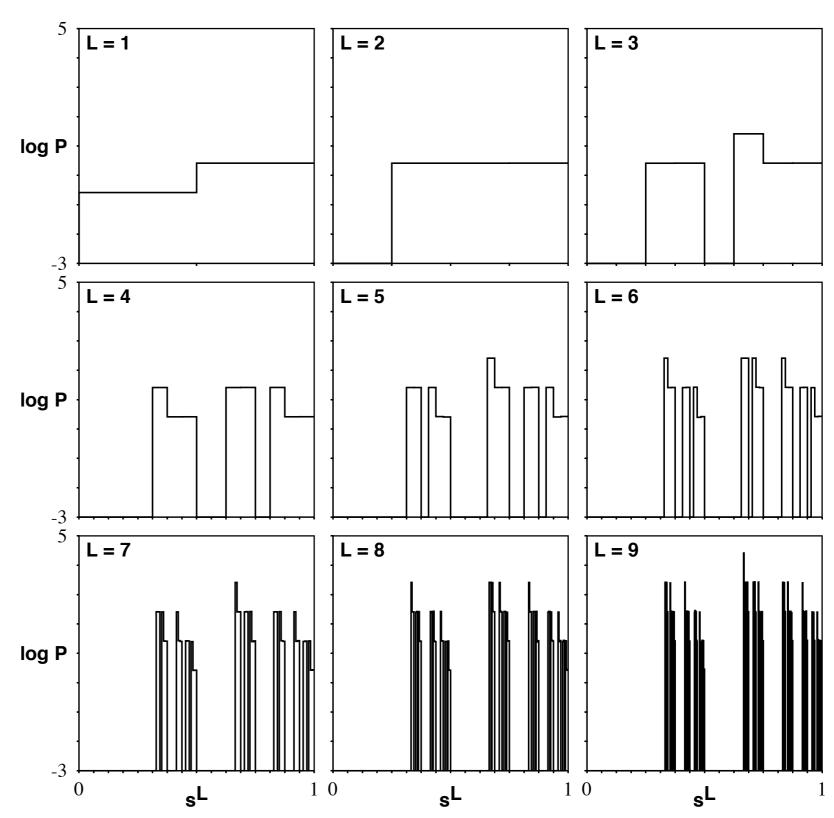
Previous model and this:

Different presentations of the same Golden Mean Process

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Example: Golden Mean:



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Models of Stochastic Processes ...

Two Lessons:

Structure in the behavior: supp $Pr(s^L)$

Structure in the distribution of behaviors: $Pr(s^L)$

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Models of Stochastic Processes ...

Hidden Markov Models of Processes:

Internal: $A = \{A, B, C\}$

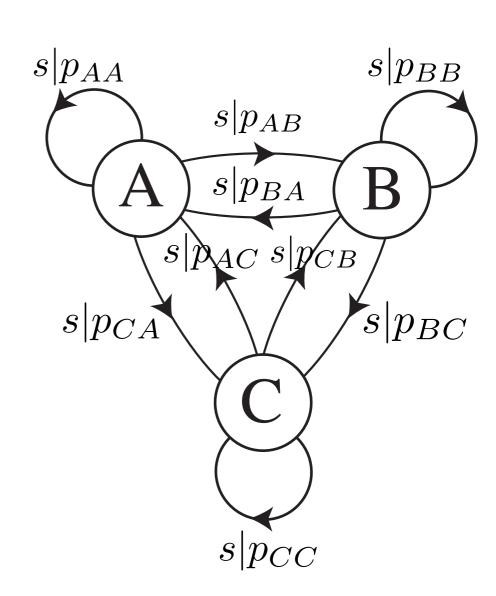
$$T = \begin{pmatrix} p_{AA} & p_{AB} & p_{AC} \\ p_{BA} & p_{BB} & p_{BC} \\ p_{CA} & p_{CB} & p_{CC} \end{pmatrix}$$

Observed: $\mathcal{B} = \{0, 1\}$

$$T^{(s)} = \begin{pmatrix} p_{AA;s} & p_{AB;s} & p_{AC;s} \\ p_{BA;s} & p_{BB;s} & p_{BC;s} \\ p_{CA;s} & p_{CB;s} & p_{CC;s} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$p_{AA} = \sum_{s \in \mathcal{B}} p_{AA;s}$$

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symbol | transition probability

Models of Stochastic Processes ...

Hidden Markov Models of Processes ...

Internal states: $v \in \mathcal{A}$

Transition matrix: $T = \Pr(v'|v), \ v, v' \in \mathcal{A}$

Observation: Symbol-labeled transition matrices

$$T^{(s)} = \Pr(v', s|v), \ s \in \mathcal{B}$$

$$T = \sum_{s \in \mathcal{B}} T^{(s)}$$

Stochastic matrices:

$$\sum_{j} T_{ij} = \sum_{j} \sum_{s} T_{ij}^{(s)} = 1$$

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Hidden Markov Models ...

Internal state distribution: $\vec{p}_V = (p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k)$

Evolve internal distribution: $\vec{p}_n = \vec{p}_0 T^n$

State sequence distribution: $v^L = v_0 v_1 v_2 \dots v_{L-1}$

$$Pr(v^{L}) = \pi(v_0)p(v_1|v_0)p(v_2|v_1)\cdots p(v_{L-1}|v_{L-2})$$

Observed sequence distribution: $s^L = s_0 s_1 s_2 \dots s_{L-1}$

$$\Pr(s^L) = \sum_{v^L \in \mathcal{A}^L} \pi(v_0) p(v_1, s_1 | v_0) p(v_2, s_2 | v_1) \cdots p(v_{L-1}, s_{L-1} | v_{L-2})$$

No longer I-I map between internal & observed sequences: Multiple state sequences can produce same observed sequence.

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Models of Stochastic Processes ...

Types of Hidden Markov Model:

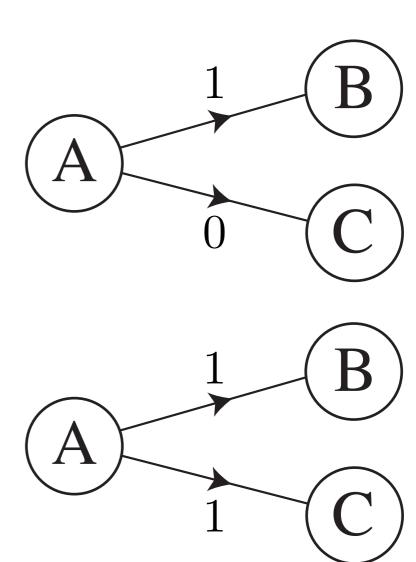
"Unifilar": current state + symbol "determine" next state

$$Pr(v'|v,s) = \begin{cases} 1\\0 \end{cases}$$

$$Pr(v',s|v) = p(s|v)$$

$$Pr(v'|v) = \sum_{s \in \mathcal{A}} p(s|v)$$

"Nonunifilar": no restriction



Multiple internal edge paths can generate same observed sequence.

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Models of Stochastic Processes ...

Example:

Golden Mean Process as a unifilar HMM:

Internal:
$$\mathcal{A} = \{A, B\}$$
 $1|\frac{1}{2}$ $0|\frac{1}{2}$ B $T = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ $\pi_V = (2/3, 1/3)$

Observed: $\mathcal{B} = \{0, 1\}$

$$T^{(0)} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad T^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Initial ambiguity only: At most 2-to-1 mapping

$$BA^n = 1^n$$
 Sync'd: $s = 0 \Rightarrow v = B$ $AA^n = 1^n$ $s = 1 \Rightarrow v = A$

Irreducible forbidden words: $\mathcal{F} = \{00\}$

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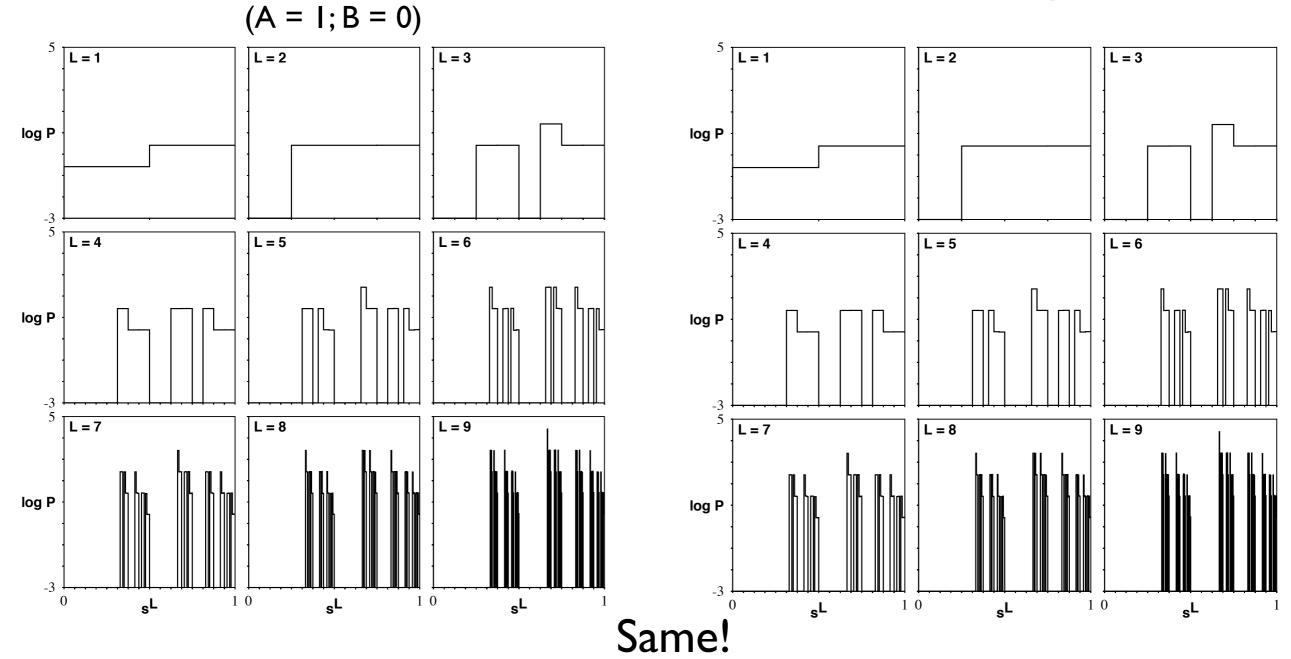
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Example:

Golden Mean Process ... Sequence distributions:

Internal state sequences

Observed sequences



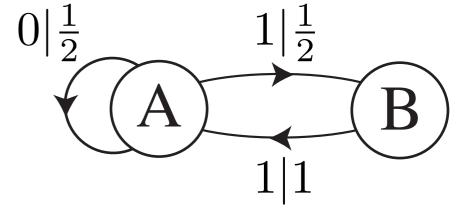
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Models of Stochastic Processes ...

Example: Even Process = Even #1s

As a unifilar HMM:

Internal (= GMP): $A = \{A, B\}$



$$T = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \pi_V = (2/3, 1/3)$$

Observed: $\mathcal{B} = \{0, 1\}$

$$T^{(0)} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad T^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$v^L = \dots AABAABABAA\dots$$

$$s^L = \dots 0110111110\dots s^L = \{\dots 01^{2n}0\dots\}$$

Irreducible forbidden words: $\mathcal{F} = \{010, 01110, 0111110, \ldots\}$

No finite-order Markov process can model the Even process! Lesson: Finite Markov Chains are a subset of HMMs.

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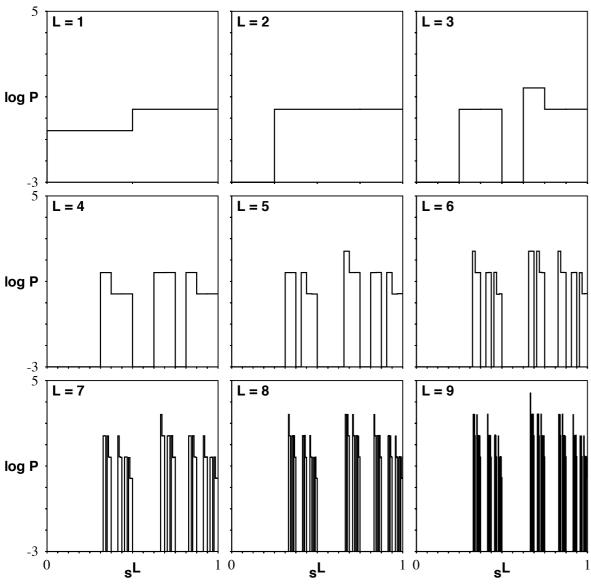
Example:

Even Process ... Sequence distributions:

Internal states (= GMP)

$$(A = I; B = 0)$$





Rather different!

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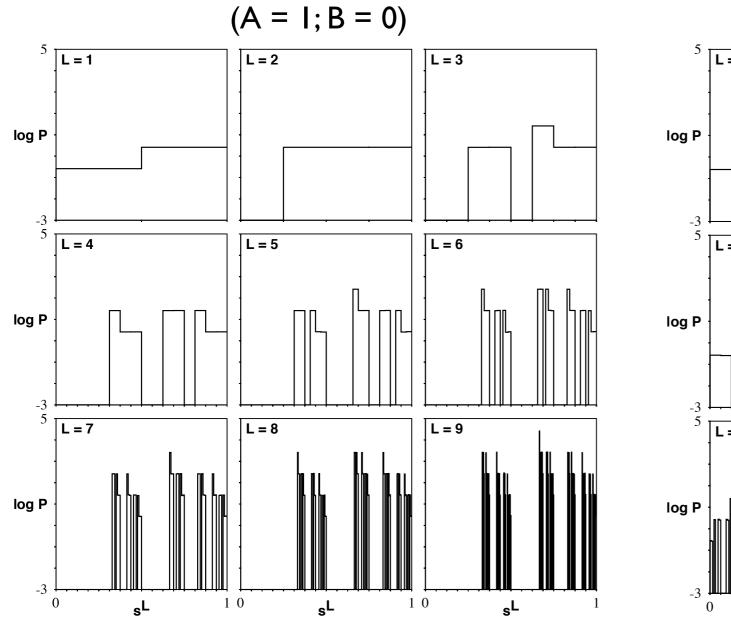
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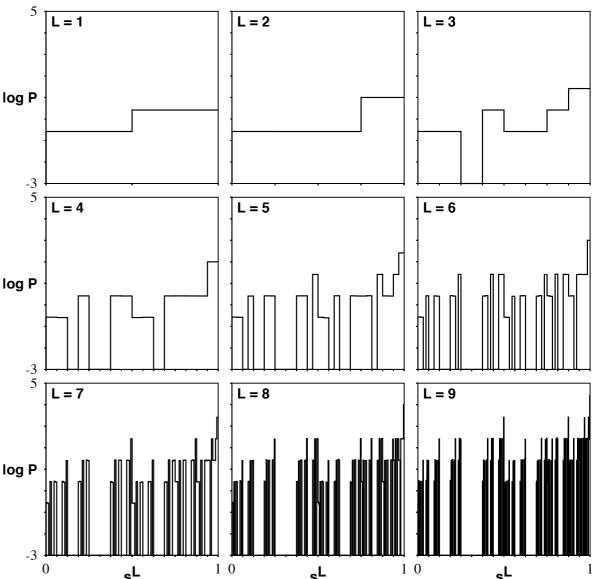
Example:

Even Process ... Sequence distributions:

Internal states (= GMP)

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Rather different!

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Models of Stochastic Processes ...

Example:

Simple Nonunifilar Source:

Internal (= Fair Coin): $A = \{A, B\}$

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \quad \pi_V = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \qquad 1 | \frac{1}{2}$$

$$Observed: \mathcal{B} = \{0, 1\} \qquad 1 | \frac{1}{2} \qquad A \qquad B \qquad 1 | \frac{1}{2}$$

$$T^{(0)} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad T^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

BBBBBBBB...

AAAAAAAA...

ABBBBBBBB...

Is there a unifilar HMM presentation of the observed process?

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Processes and Their Models ...

Models of Stochastic Processes ...

Example:

Simple Nonunifilar Process ...

Internal states (= Fair coin)

(A = 1; B = 0)

Observed sequences

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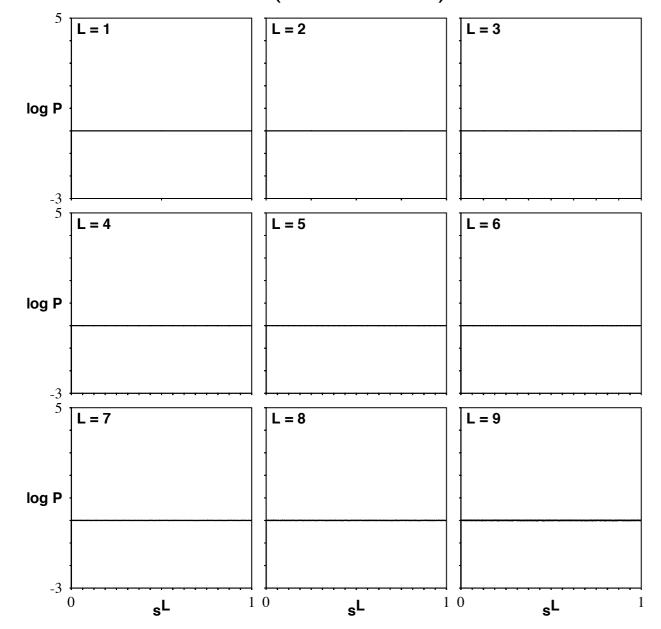
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Simple Nonunifilar Process ...

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Observed sequences

Models of Stochastic Processes ...

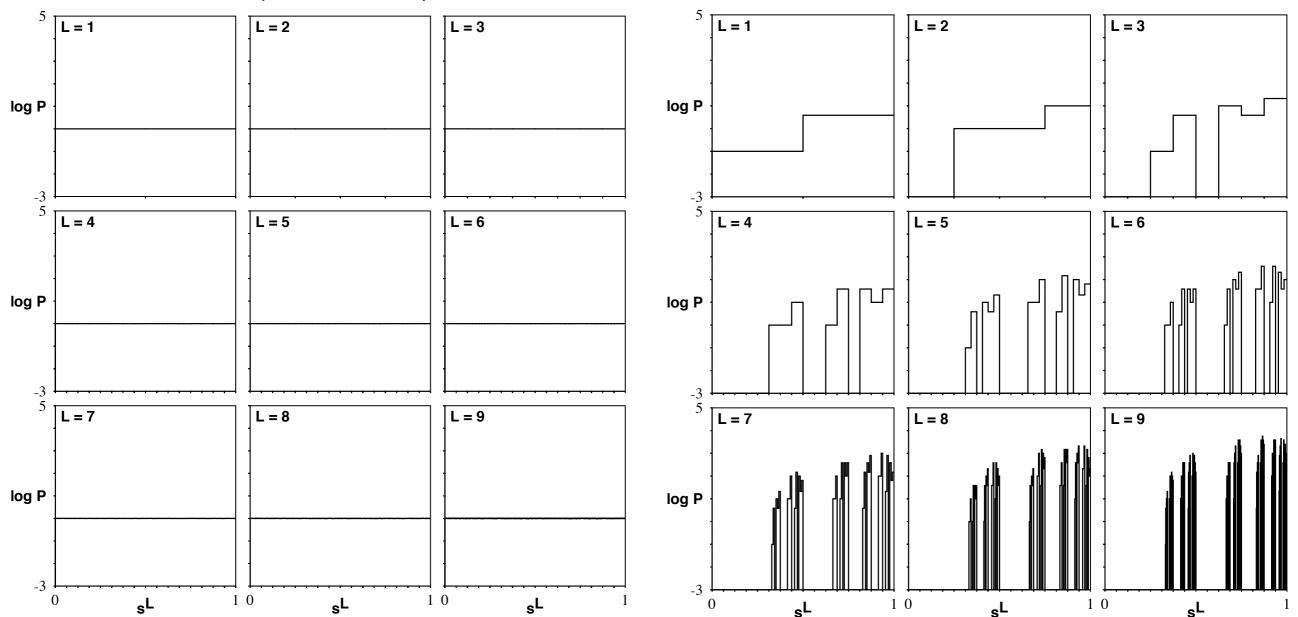
Example:

Simple Nonunifilar Process ...

Internal states (= Fair coin)

$$(A = I; B = 0)$$

Observed sequences



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What to do with all of this complicatedness?

- I. Information theory for general stochastic processes
- 2. Measures of complexity
- 3. Optimal models and how to build them

Labs:

Track these topics closely.

Ryan will give a tour in evening session.

Work through them on your own.

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Information!

Sources of Information:

Apparent randomness:
Uncontrolled initial conditions
Actively generated: Deterministic chaos

Hidden regularity:

Ignorance of forces

Limited capacity to model structure

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Why information?

- I. Accounts for any type of co-relation
 - Statistical correlation ~ linear only
 - Information measures nonlinear correlation
- 2. Broadly applicable:
 - Many systems don't have "energy", physical modeling precluded
 - Information defined: social, biological, engineering, ... systems
- 3. Comparable units across different systems:
 - Distance v. volts v. populations v. energy v. ...
- 4. Probability theory ~ Statistics ~ Information
- 5. Complex systems:
 - Emergent patterns!
 - We don't know these ahead of time

Information ... Information as uncertainty and surprise:

Observe something unexpected:
Gain information

Bateson: "A difference that makes a difference"

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Information as uncertainty and surprise ...

How to formalize?

Shannon's approach:

A measure of surprise.

Connection with Boltzmann's thermodynamic entropy

Self-information of an event $\propto -\log \Pr(\text{event})$.

Predictable: No surprise $-\log 1 = 0$

Completely unpredictable: Maximally surprised

$$-\log \frac{1}{\text{Number of Events}} = \log(\text{Number of Events})$$

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Shannon Entropy:
$$X \sim P$$

$$x \in \mathcal{X} = \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$$

 $P = \{\Pr(x = 1), \Pr(x = 2), \dots\}$

$$H(X) = -\sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} p(x) \log_2 p(x)$$

Note:
$$0 \log 0 = 0$$

$H(X) = \langle -\log_2 p(x) \rangle$

Units:

Log base 2: H(X) = [bits]

Natural log: H(X) = [nats]

Properties:

I. Positivity: $H(X) \ge 0$

2. Predictive: $H(X) = 0 \Leftrightarrow p(x) = 1$ for one and only one x

3. Random: $H(X) = \log_2 k \Leftrightarrow p(x) = U(x) = 1/k$

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Examples: Binary random variable X

$$\mathcal{X} = \{0, 1\}$$

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 $\Pr(1) = p \& \Pr(0) = 1 - p$

H(X)?

Binary entropy function:

$$H(p) = -p \log_2 p - (1-p) \log_2 (1-p)$$

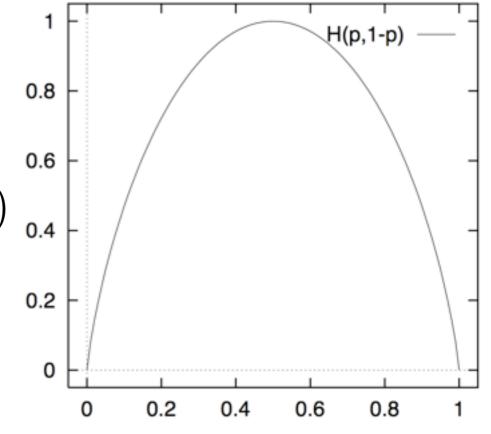
Fair coin: $p = \frac{1}{2}$

$$H(p) = 1$$
 bit

Completely biased coin: p = 0 (or 1)

$$H(p) = 0$$
 bits

Recall: $0 \cdot \log 0 = 0$



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Example: Independent, Identically Distributed (IID) Process over four events

$$\mathcal{X} = \{a, b, c, d\}$$
 $\Pr(X) = (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{8})$

Entropy: $H(X) = \frac{7}{4}$ bits

Number of questions to identify the event?

x = a? (must always ask at least one question)

x = b? (this is necessary only half the time)

x = c? (only get this far a quarter of the time)

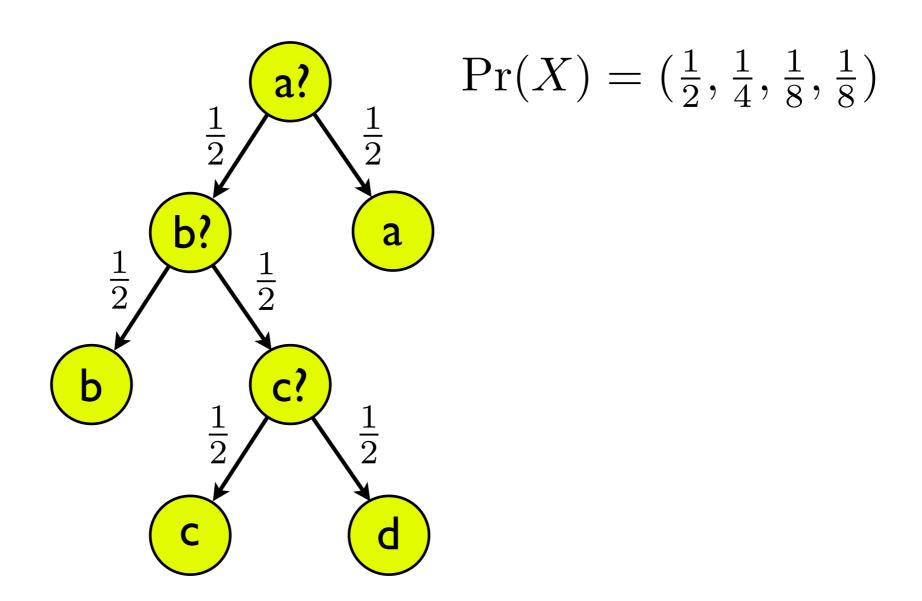
Average number: $1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot \frac{1}{2} + 1 \cdot \frac{1}{4} = 1.75$ questions

Interpretation? Optimal way to ask questions.

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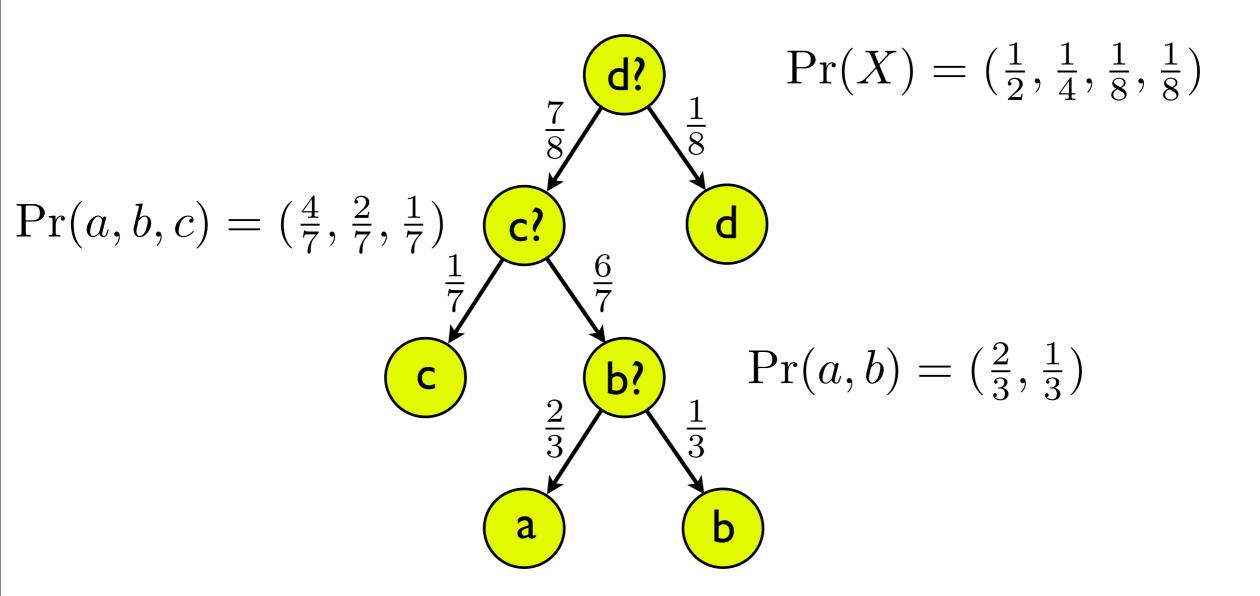


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Example: IID Process over four events ...

Query in a different order:

Average number: $1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot \frac{7}{8} + 1 \cdot \frac{6}{7} \approx 2.7$ questions



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Example: IID Process over four events

Entropy: $H(X) = \frac{7}{4}$ bits

At each stage, ask questions that are most informative.

Choose partitions of event space that give "most random" measurements.

Theorem:

Entropy gives the smallest number of questions to identify an event, on average.

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Interpretations of Shannon Entropy:

Observer's degree of surprise in outcome of a random variable

Uncertainty in random variable

Information required to describe random variable

A measure of flatness of a distribution

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Two random variables: $(X,Y) \sim p(x,y)$

Joint Entropy: Average uncertainty in X and Y occurring

$$H(X,Y) = -\sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} p(x,y) \log_2 p(x,y)$$

Independent:

$$X \perp Y \Rightarrow H(X,Y) = H(X) + H(Y)$$

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Conditional Entropy: Average uncertainty in X, knowing Y

$$H(X|Y) = -\sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} p(x,y) \log_2 p(x|y)$$

$$H(X|Y) = H(X,Y) - H(Y)$$

Not symmetric: $H(X|Y) \neq H(Y|X)$

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Common Information Between Two Random Variables:

$$X \sim p(x) \& Y \sim p(y)$$
$$(X, Y) \sim p(x, y)$$

Mutual Information:

$$I(X;Y) = \mathcal{D}(P(x,y)||P(x)P(y))$$

$$I(X;Y) = \sum_{(x,y)\in\mathcal{X}\times\mathcal{Y}} p(x,y) \log_2 \frac{p(x,y)}{p(x)p(y)}$$

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Mutual Information ...

Properties:

- (I) $I(X;Y) \ge 0$
- (2) I(X;Y) = I(Y;X)
- (3) I(X;Y) = H(X) H(X|Y)
- (4) I(X;Y) = H(X) + H(Y) H(X,Y)
- (5) I(X;X) = H(X)
- **(6)** $X \perp Y \Rightarrow I(X;Y) = 0$

Interpretations:

Information one variable has about another Information shared between two variables Measure of dependence between two variables

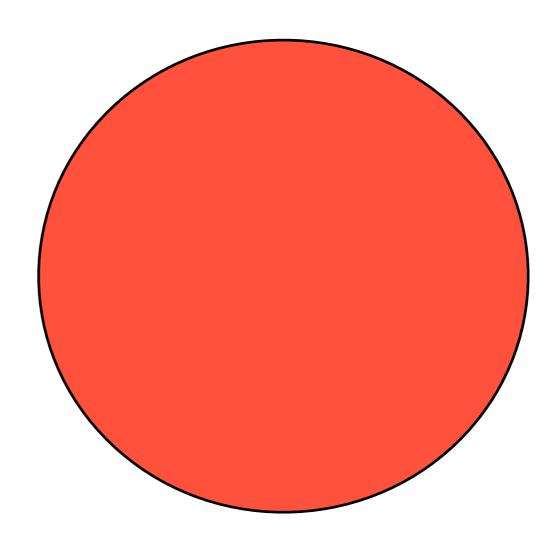
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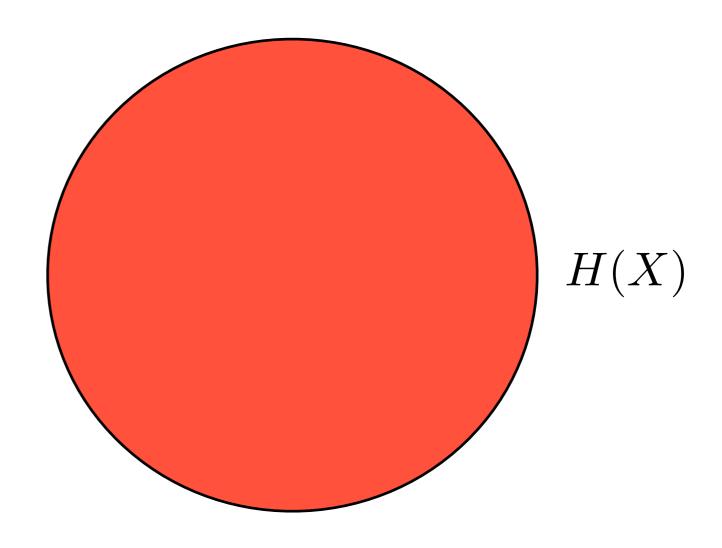
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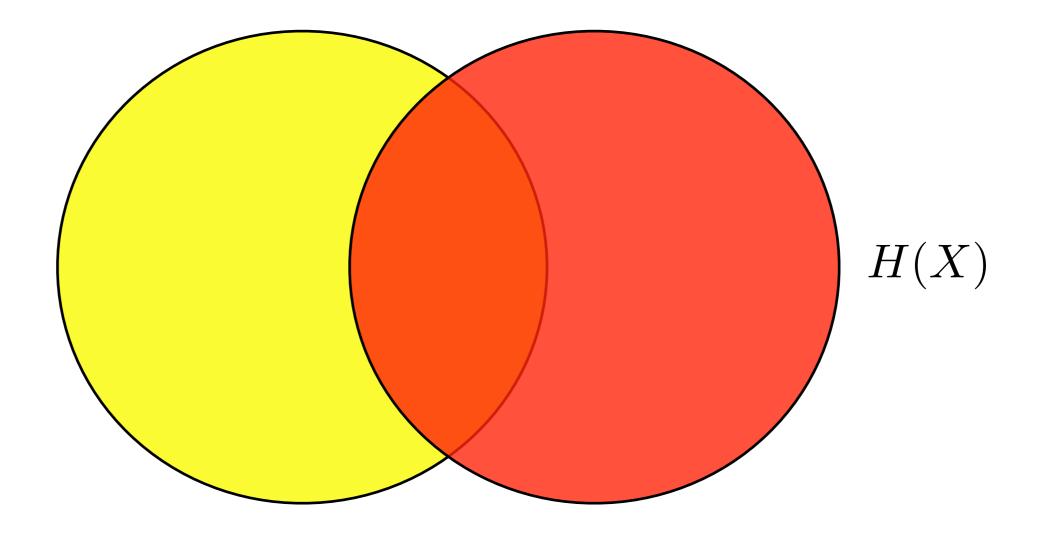
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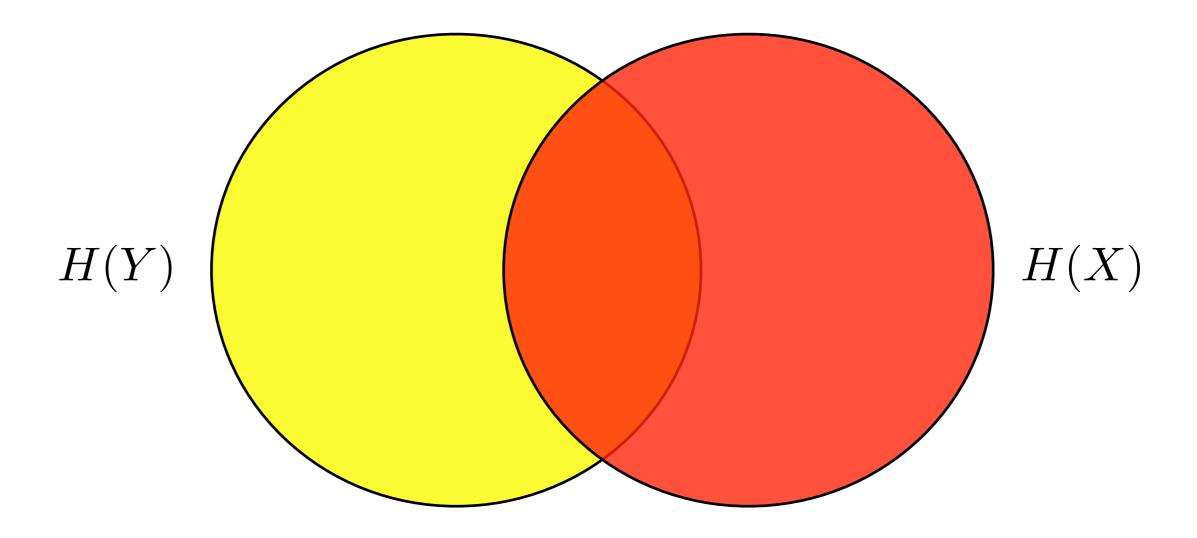
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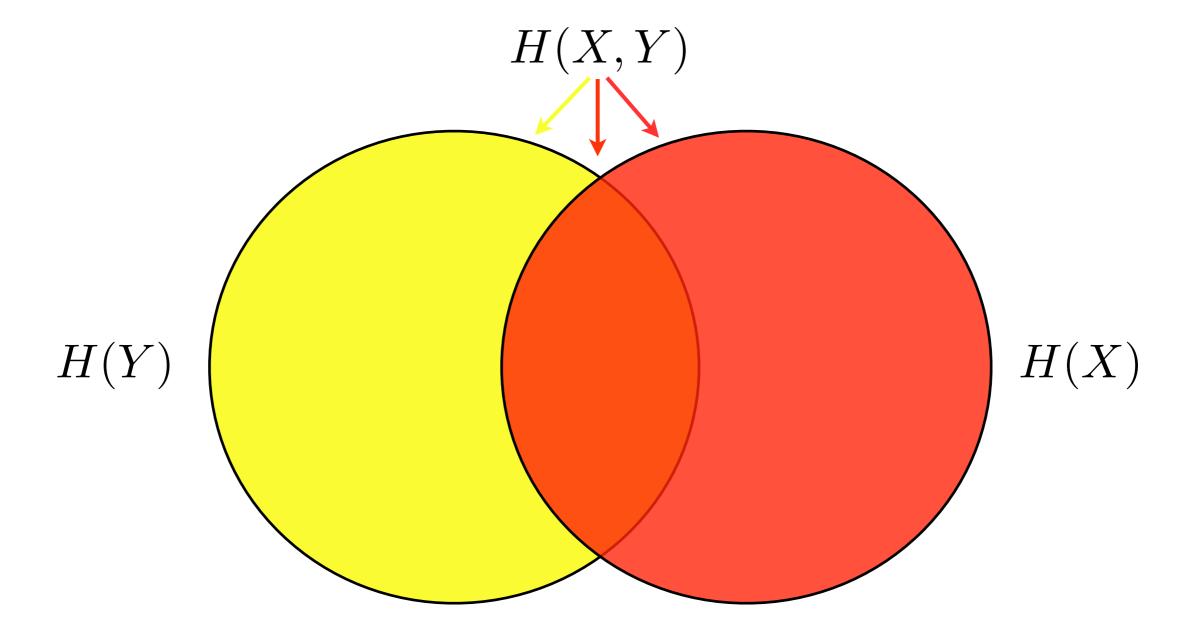
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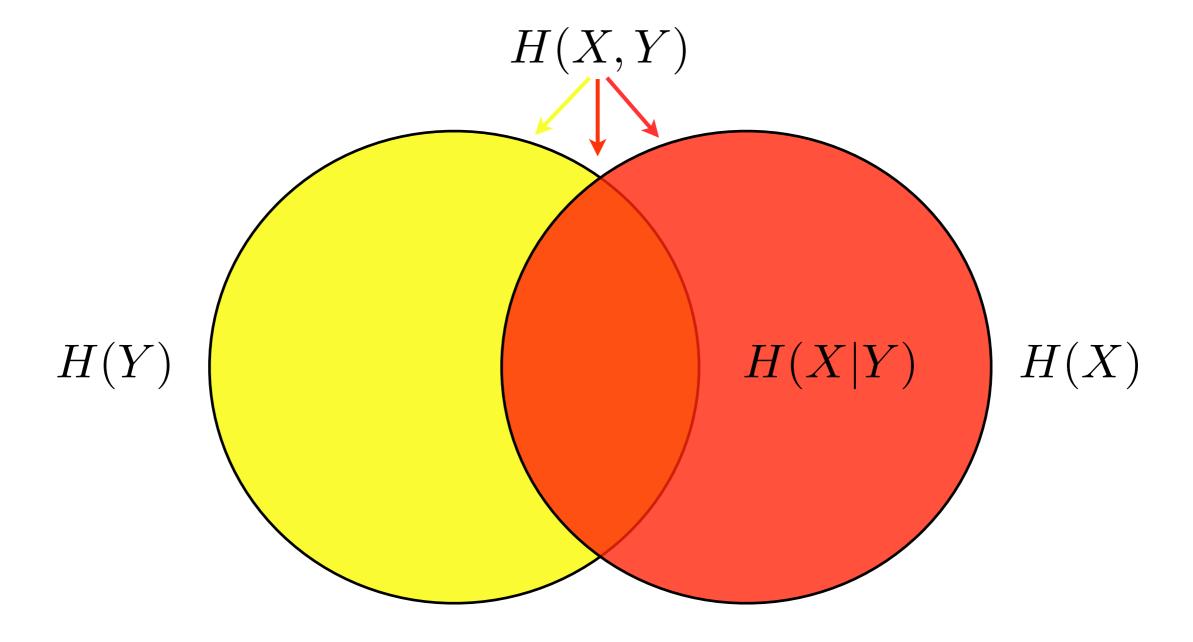
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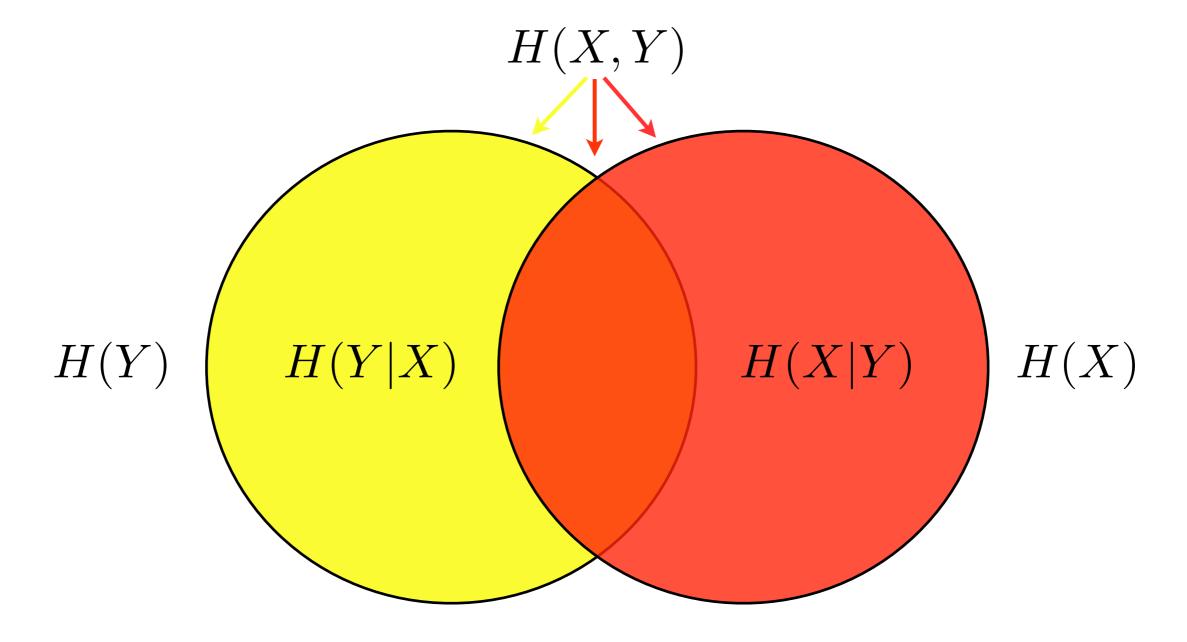
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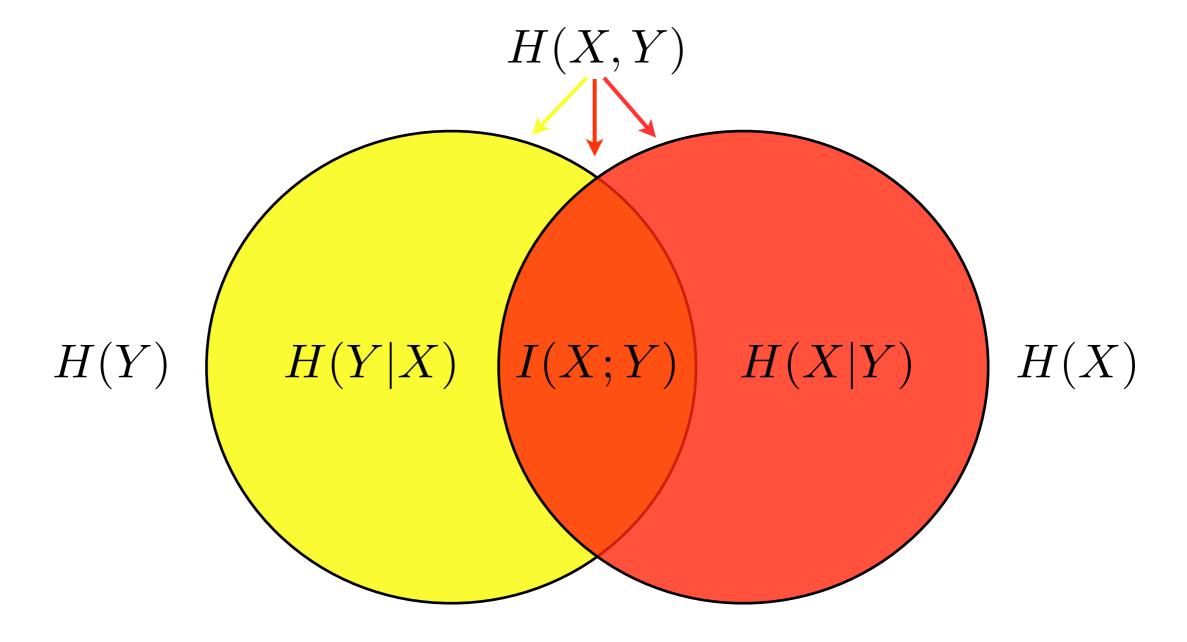
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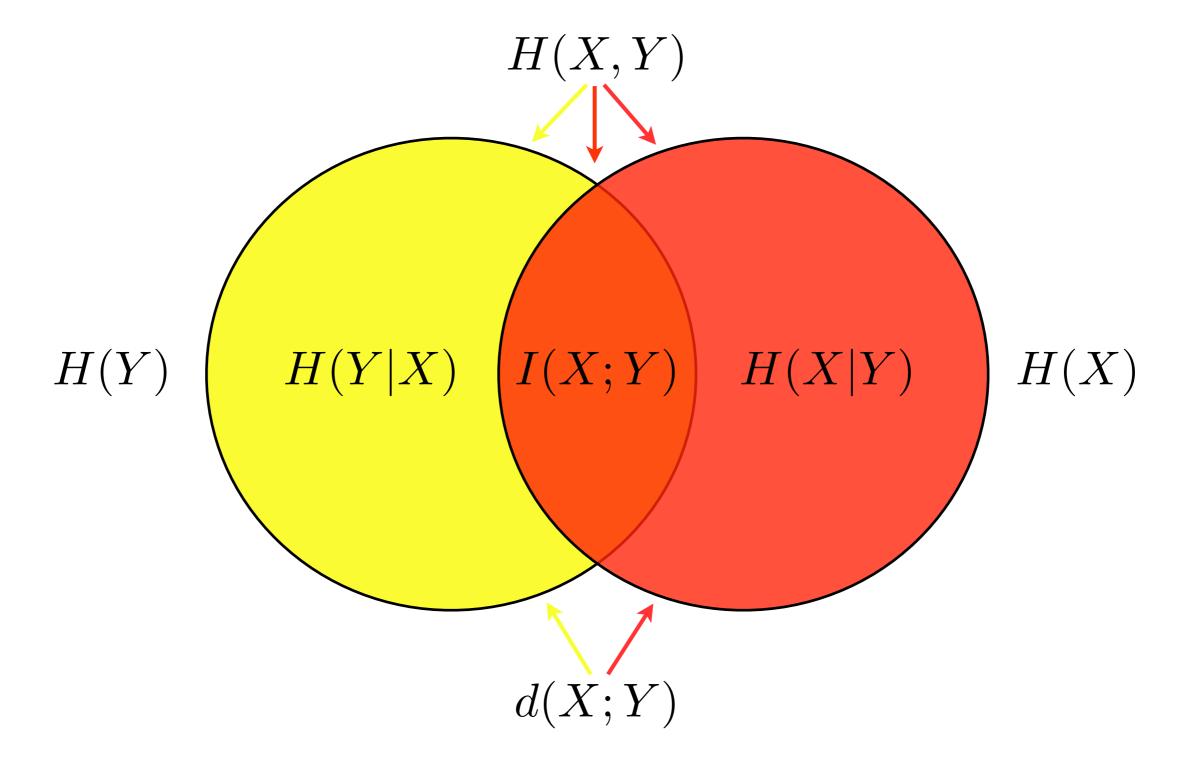
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Three random variables: $(X,Y,Z) \sim p(x,y,z)$

Markov Chain: $X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Z$

$$p(x,z|y) = p(x|y)p(z|y) \qquad \text{or} \qquad I(X;Z|Y) = 0$$

Y shields X and Z from each other: $X \perp_Y Z$

Properties:

(I)
$$X \to Y \to Z \Rightarrow Z \to Y \to X$$

(2)
$$Z = f(Y) \Rightarrow X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Z$$

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Data Processing Inequality:

$$X \to Y \to Z \Rightarrow I(X;Y) \ge I(X;Z)$$

Corollary:

$$Z = g(Y) \Rightarrow I(X;Y) \ge I(X;g(Y))$$

Manipulation cannot increase information about X.

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Real Information Theory:
How to compress a process:
Can't do better than H(X)
(Shannon's First Theorem)

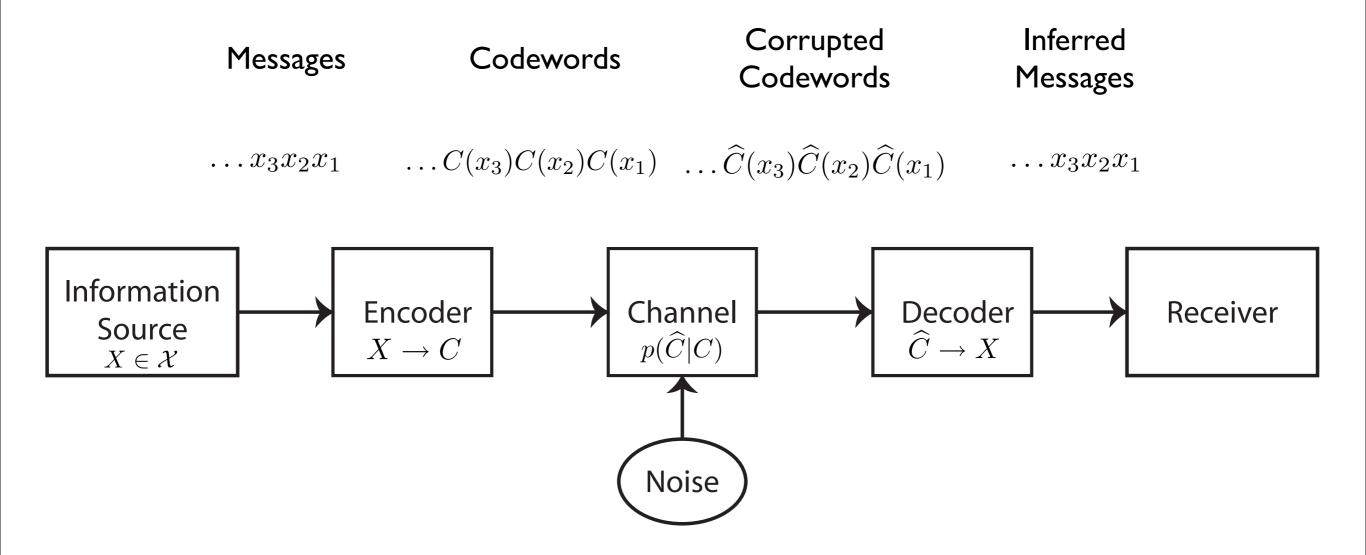
How to communicate a process's data:

Can transmit error-free at rates up to channel capacity
(Shannon's Second Theorem)

Both results give operational meaning to entropy. Previously, entropy motivated as a measure of surprise.

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Communication channel:



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Codebook: C

Code rate: R(C) = number bits per message.

Data Compression Theorem (Shannon's First Theorem):

$$R(C) \ge H(X)$$

Cannot compress source below its entropy rate.

Operational meaning of entropy: fundamental limit.

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Coding for Communication Channels ...

Discrete channel:

Input: $X \sim p(x)$

Output: $Y \sim p(y)$

Channel: p(y|x)

Memoryless channel:

$$p(y_t|x_tx_{t-1}\cdots) = p(y_t|x_t)$$

Channel Capacity:

$$C = \max_{p(x)} I(X; Y)$$

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Information in Processes ... Channel Coding Theorem (Shannon's Second Theorem):

- (I) Capacity is the maximum reliable transmission rate.
- (2) Error-free codes exist if R < C.

Idea:

Model as noisy channel with non-overlapping outputs.

Strategy:

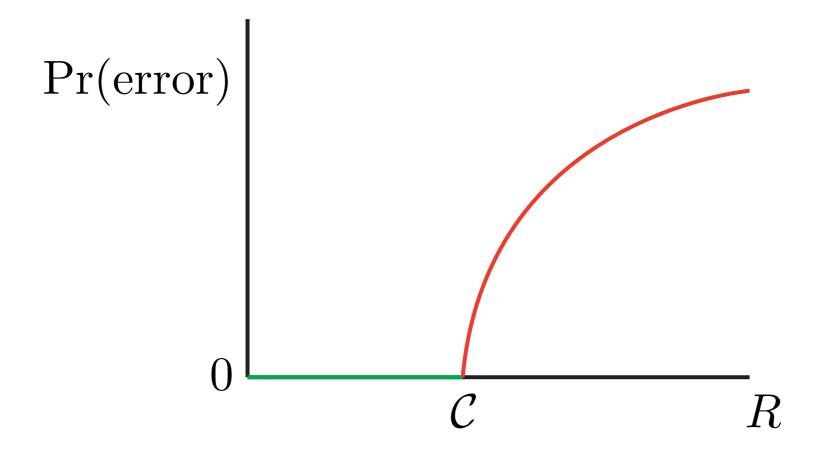
Code long block lengths: $|\mathcal{X}^L| \approx 2^{LH(X)}$

Choose codewords (channel inputs) that produce non-overlapping outputs.

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Information in Processes ... Channel Coding Theorem ...

What happens when transmitting above capacity, R > C?



(Typical of measurement systems?)

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