

Problems for Quiz 9

Name:_____ Student ID:_____ Score:_____

1. (40%) Find a (binary) Huffman code for the source with probabilities $\{0.5, 0.25, 0.125, 0.125\}$ and compute their average codeword length.

Solution. A solution is $\{0, 10, 110, 111\}$.

Note: Other possible solutions are $\{0, 11, 100, 101\}$, $\{1, 00, 010, 011\}$ and $\{1, 01, 000, 001\}$.

2. (60%) Decompress 010001111000 by the Lempel-Ziv coding algorithm if the decompressor knows the index is fixed as 3 bits in length. You shall also complete the below index-string table.

index	1	2	3	4	5
string	0	1			

Solution. The decompressor will treat the sequence as a sequential concatenation of (index, last bit):

$$(010, 0)(011, 1)(100, 0) \equiv (2, 0)(3, 1)(4, 0)$$

Then, each step takes in one (index, last bit). Table can be built on the fly.

- $(2, 0) \rightarrow 10$ and renew table as

index	1	2	3
string	0	1	10
- $(3, 1) \rightarrow 101$ and renew table as

index	1	2	3	4
string	0	1	10	101
- $(4, 0) \rightarrow 1010$ and renew table as

index	1	2	3	4	5
string	0	1	10	101	1010

Thus the decompressed sequence is 101011010.