## **COMMUNICATION ENGINEERING**

# **Mutual Information**

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- Prior to the reception of a message the state of knowledge at the receiver about the transmitted signal x<sub>i</sub> (channel input ) is the probability p(x<sub>i</sub>)
- After the reception and selection of symbol y<sub>k</sub> (channel output) the state of knowledge about x<sub>i</sub> is the conditional probability p(x<sub>i</sub> | y<sub>k</sub>)
- > Before  $y_k$  is received uncertainty is  $-\log p(x_j)$
- > After  $y_k$  is received uncertainty is  $-\log p(x_i | y_k)$
- The information gained about x<sub>j</sub> by the reception of y<sub>k</sub> is the net reduction in its uncertainty known as MUTUAL INFORMATION I(x<sub>j</sub>, y<sub>k</sub>) ie. uncertainty about the channel input that is resolved by observing channel out put

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➤ I(x<sub>j</sub>, y<sub>k</sub>) =initial uncertainty -final uncertainty = -log p(x<sub>j</sub>) -(- log p(x<sub>j</sub> | y<sub>k</sub>))) I(x<sub>j</sub>, y<sub>k</sub>) = log (p(x<sub>j</sub> | y<sub>k</sub>)/ p(x<sub>j</sub>)) Also, = log (p(y<sub>k</sub> | x<sub>j</sub>)/ p(y<sub>k</sub>)) I(x<sub>j</sub>, y<sub>k</sub>) = I (y<sub>k</sub>, x<sub>j</sub>)

Average of mutual information is the entropy corresponding to mutual information

$$I(X; Y) = I(x_j, y_k)$$

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

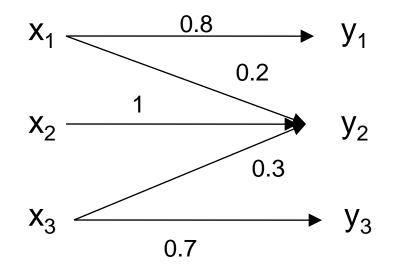
= H(Y)-H(Y|X)

= H(X) + H(Y) - H(X,Y)

It is a measure of information transferred through the channel also called transferred information of the channel or trans information of the channel

#### PROBLEMS

1. A discrete source transmits messages  $x_1$ ,  $x_2$ ,  $x_3$  with probabilities 0.3,0.4 and 0.4 The source is connected to the channel given in figure. Calculate all the associated entropies and mutual information.



### PROBLEMS

#### 2. Find the mutual information of the channel

