# ÉCOLE POLYTECHNIQUE FÉDÉRALE DE LAUSANNE

School of Computer and Communication Sciences

#### Handout 1

Principles of Digital Communications

General Course Information

Sep. 14, 2020

## Information Theory and Coding

## Time and Location:

Mondays, 11-13, BC01 (lecture)

Tuesdays, 13-15, ELA 2 (lecture)

Tuesdays, 15-17, ELA 2 (exercise)

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### Pre-requisites:

Probability and Statistics (I and II) or Stochastic Processes for Communications

Web page: http://ipg.epfl.ch

Moodle: https://moodle.epfl.ch/course/view.php?id=14593

**Textbook:** T. M. Cover and J. A. Thomas, *Elements of Information Theory*, Wiley, 2006

#### **Course Mechanics:**

Weekly Assignments

Take-Home Midterm (30%)

One graded homework (20%)

Final Exam (50%)

## **Approximate Outline:**

Properties of information measures (4-5 lectures)

Source coding (7-8 lectures)

Capacity and the channel coding theorem (5-6 lectures)

Coding techniques for reliable communication (4-5 lectures)

Multi-user channels (4-5 lectures)

Additional topics (1-2 lectures)

# Reference Material:

- 1. R. G. Gallager, Information Theory and Reliable Communication, Wiley, 1968.
- 2. C. E. Shannon (with W. Weaver), *The Mathematical Theory of Communication*, U. of Illinois Press, 1963. (see also the course webpage)
- 3. J. M. Wozencraft and I. M. Jacobs, *Principles of Communication Engineering*, Wiley 1965 (also, Waveland, 1990).