ÉCOLE POLYTECHNIQUE FÉDÉRALE DE LAUSANNE

School of Computer and Communication Sciences

Handout 1

General Course Information

Information Theory and Coding Sep 21, 2007

INFORMATION THEORY AND CODING

Time and location:

Tuesdays, 13:15–15:00, INM 202 (lecture) Tuesdays, 15:15–16:00, INM 202 (exercise) Fridays, 13:15–15:00, INM 202 (lecture) Fridays, 15:15–16:00, INM 202 (exercise)

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Prerequisites:

Probability and Statistics (I and II) or Stochastic processes for communications

Web page: http://ipg.epfl.ch, (navigate to: Courses, and then to: Information Theory and Coding)

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

Course mechanics:

Weekly assignments, Midterm quiz (50%), Tentative Date: Friday, November 9. Final exam during finals period (50%).

Approximate Outline:

Information Measures (1–2 lectures) Data Compression (8–10 lectures) Data Transmission (8–10 lectures) Coding Techniques (2–3 lectures) Lossy Data Compression (2–3 lectures) Additional Topics (2–3 lectures)

Reference Material:

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