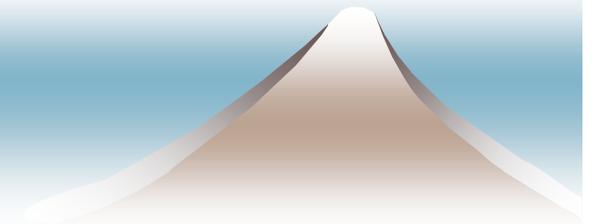


# Creating Mathematics That Describes Brain and Information

(1) the structure of information: surprise, probability,  
and geometry

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# Mathematics is a culture of humankind

## Babylonian Mathematics

Arabic, Chinese, Greek, Japanese Mathematics

Euclidean geometry

## the brain structure

the concept of number- animal, chimpanzee  
geography- mouse, geometry  
-human: abstract thinking



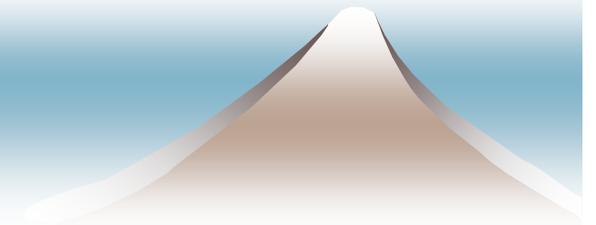
# The Brain Structure

-the pleasure of thinking things out

**abstract thinking**

**games, puzzles**

**mathematics, culture**



# The science and technology in the 21<sup>st</sup> century

*What is human?*

*What is society?*

Physics

Mathematical science

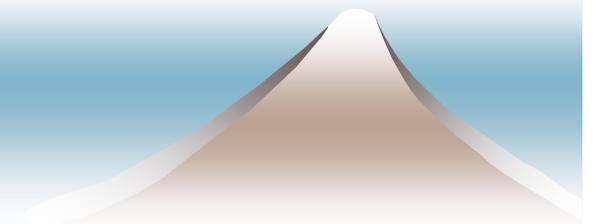
Biology

Information science

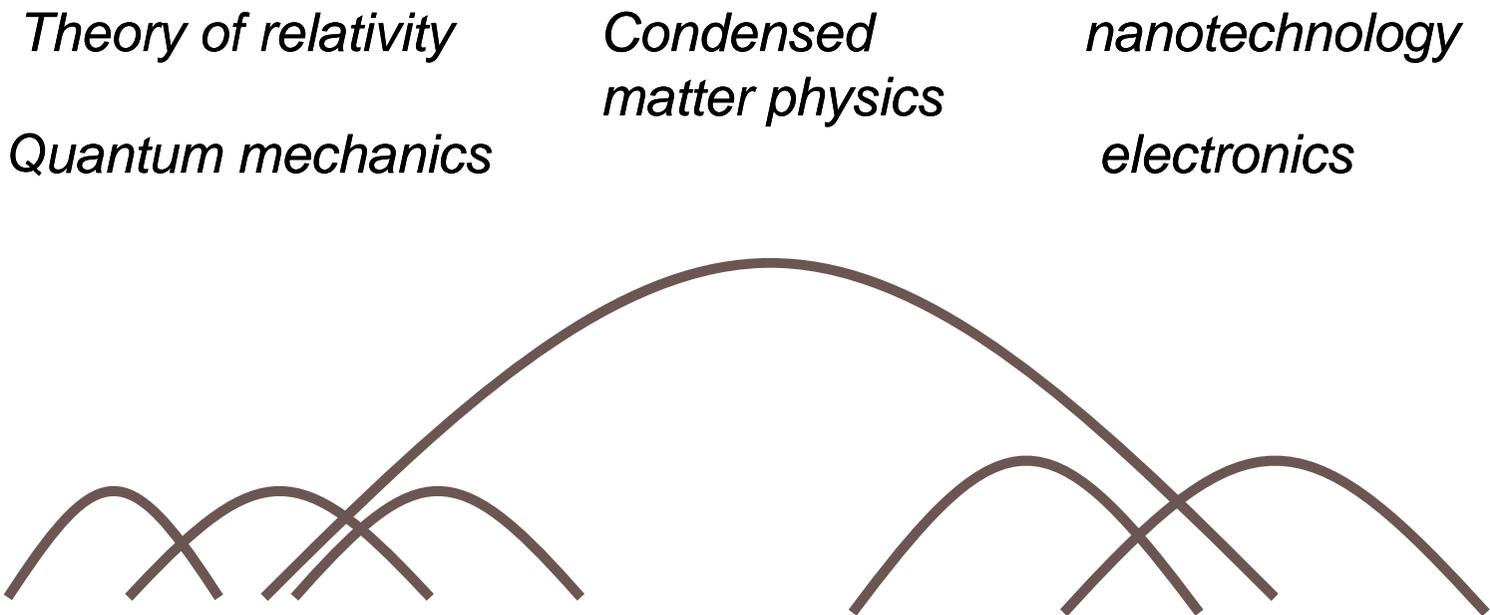
Human science

**fusion**

**Mathematical thinking**



# Physics- a huge empire



*Economics*   *Biology*   *Chemistry*   *Complex systems*   ... *information*   *mathematics*

# Biology — Reductionism

*Natural history*      *Molecular biology*      *Genes*  
*Biotechnology*

*Diversity of species*      *Structure and function*

*Fundamental principles of life*

**Brain/System biology**



# Information science/engineering

## — Turing and Gögel's Curse

*Telephone  
radio*

*Information theory  
cybernetics*

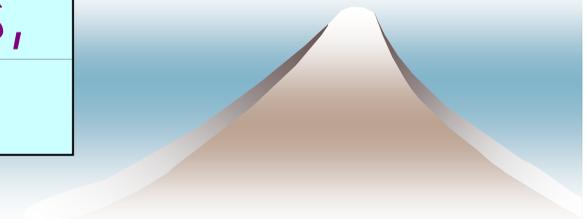
*Internet*

*Vacuum  
tube*

*Computer  
Transistor*

*Information  
society*

*Artificial Intelligence ,Robots,  
Brain, Bioinformatics*



# Mathematics- an ivory tower

*Modern mathematics*

*Bourbaki*

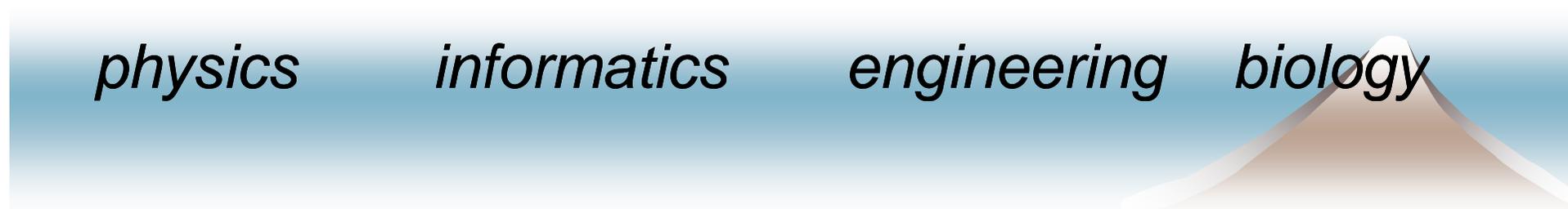
*Mathematical sciences*

*physics*

*informatics*

*engineering*

*biology*

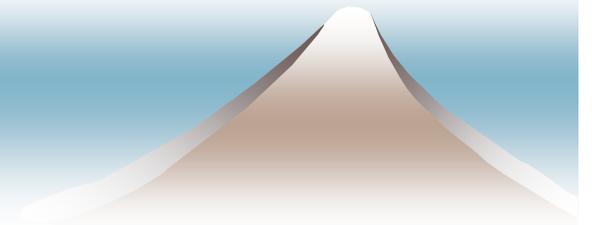


# The mathematical principle of information: the amount of information

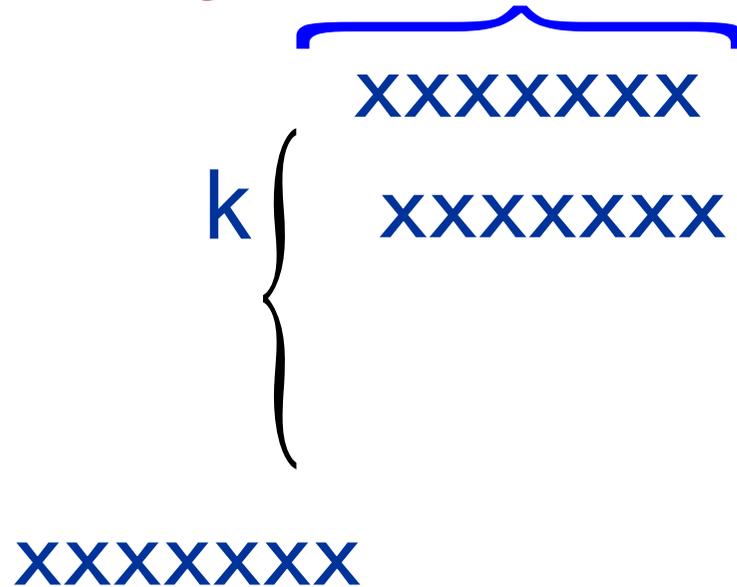
A or B? -1 bit

A,B,C... : k characters

$f(k)$  bits



# The additivity of information



$$f(km) = f(k) + f(m)$$

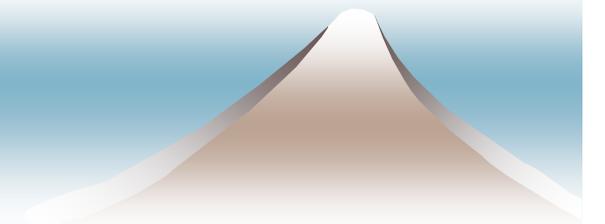
$$f(xy) = f(x) + f(y)$$

$$f(k) = \log k$$

$$y f'(xy) = f'(x)$$

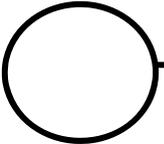
$$y f'(y) = c$$

$$f'(y) = c / y$$





# information, probability

Information source   $x_1 x_2 x_3 \dots$

Information entropy  $p_i = \text{Prob} \{ x = i \}$

$$H = - \sum p_i \log p_i$$

# Information contraction

$$p = \text{Prob}\{x = 1\}$$

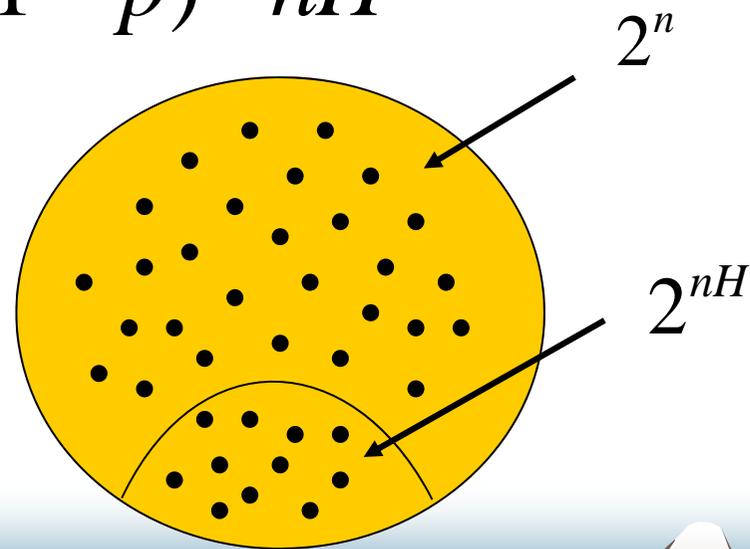
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 $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_n$

## entropy

$$H = -p \log p - (1-p) \log(1-p) \quad nH$$

$2^n$        $2^{nH}$  Frequently appear

$$\log 2^{nH} = nH \text{ bits}$$



# Law of large numbers

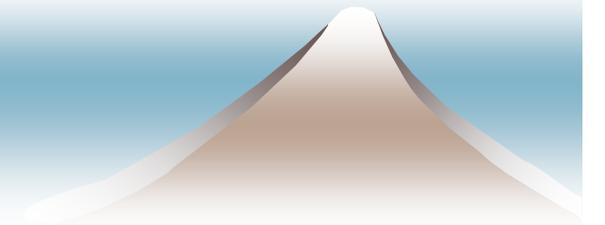
0101100110L  $\rightarrow$  #1 =  $np$ ;  $n = 10,000$ ;  $p = 0.3$

$$p = \text{Prob}\{x = 1\} \quad H = -p \log p - (1 - p) \log(1 - p)$$

$$\sum x_i = np \pm A_n$$

$$A_n \rightarrow 0, c, \infty?$$

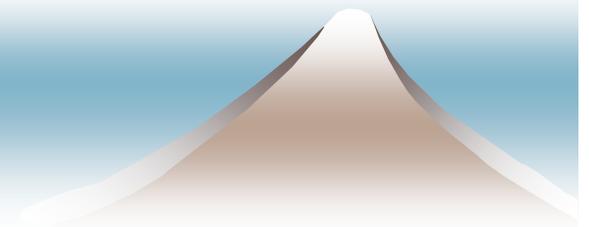
$$\sum x_i = np \pm \frac{\sqrt{n}}{2}$$



$${}_n C_{np} = \frac{(np)!(n - np)!}{n!}$$

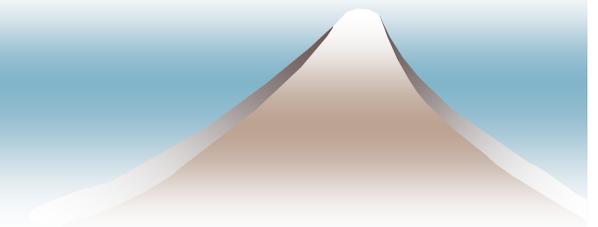
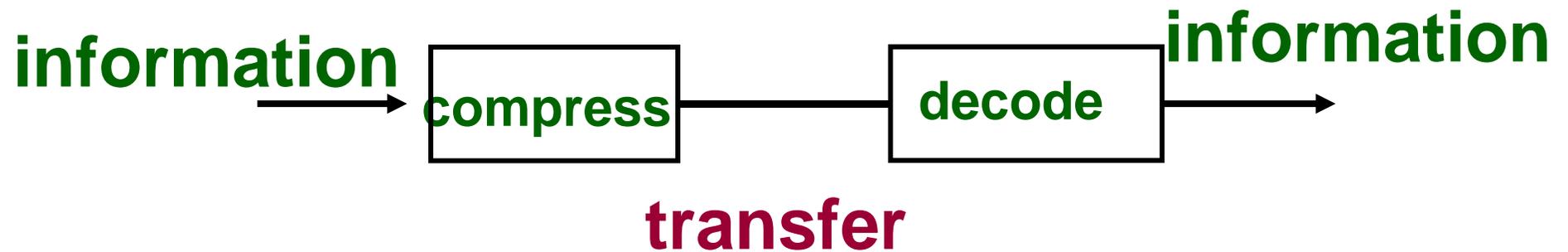
$$n! = \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n \sqrt{2\pi n} \approx n^n$$

$${}_n C_{np} = 2^{nH}$$



# Information transfer

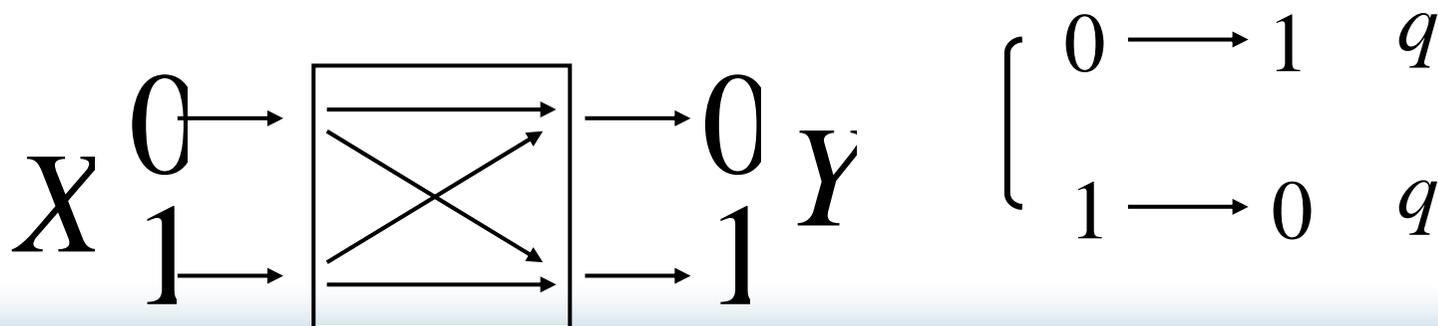
facsimile, image, audio,...



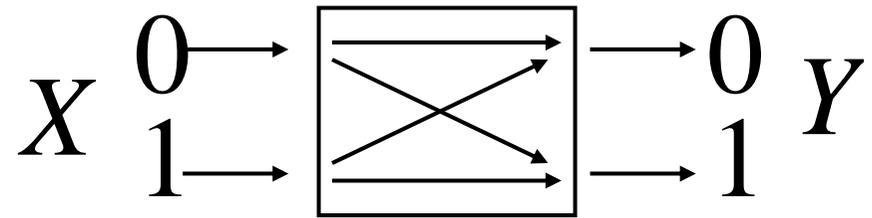
# Information transfer: speech path



**noise: error**

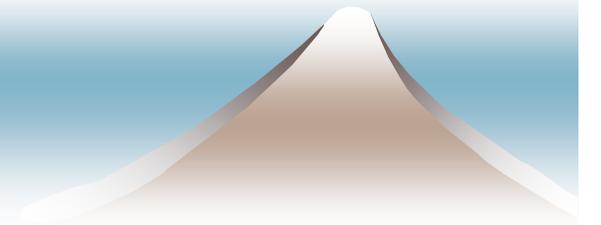


# Mutual information



$$\begin{aligned} I(X, Y) &= H(X) - H(X|Y) \\ &= H(X) + H(Y) - H(X, Y) \end{aligned}$$

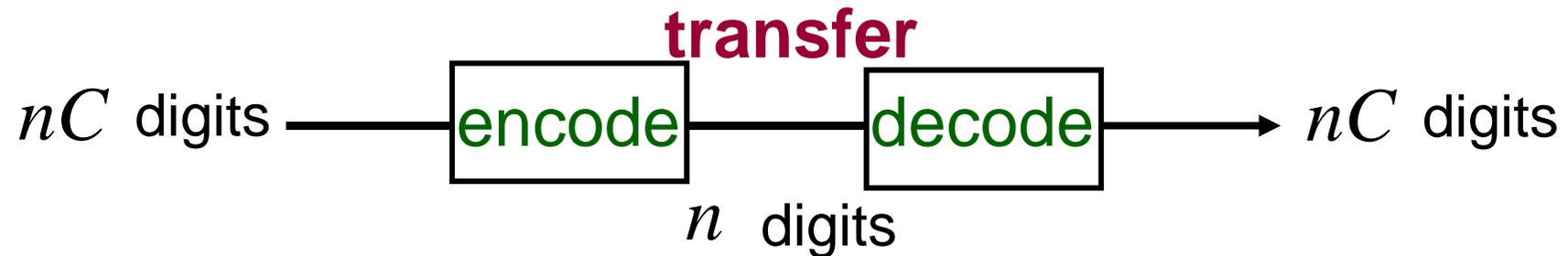
Information capacity:  $C = 1 - H(q)$



# Shannon's great discovery: transfer without errors

010L 0       $n$  digits

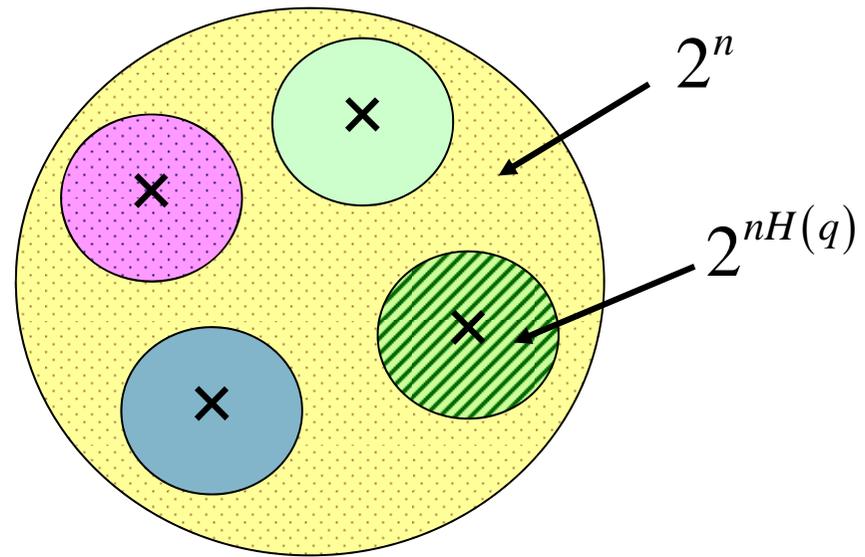
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**The Probability of error is "0" !**

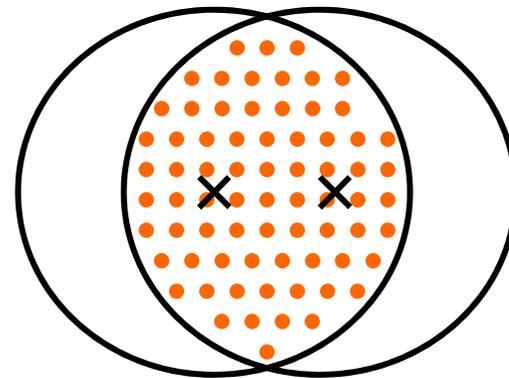
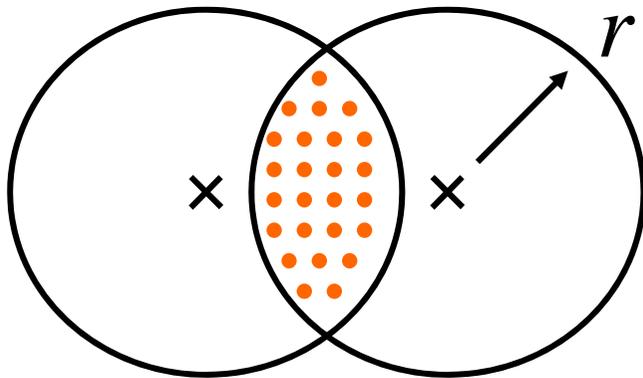
# Signal and code

$$\frac{2^n}{2^{nH}} = 2^{n(1-H)}$$
$$= 2^{nC}$$



# ***N-dimensional ball and intersection***

$$\frac{(r + \varepsilon)^n}{r^n} = \frac{r^n + n\varepsilon r^{n-1}}{r^n} = 1 + \frac{n\varepsilon}{r} \quad V = c_n r^n$$



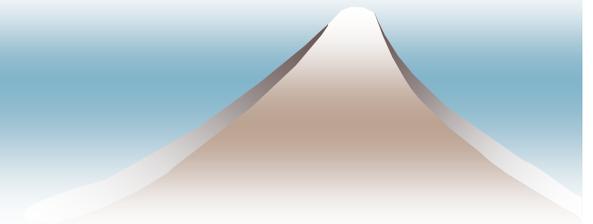
# Error correcting code: Hamming code

Computers, CDs, ...

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_7 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

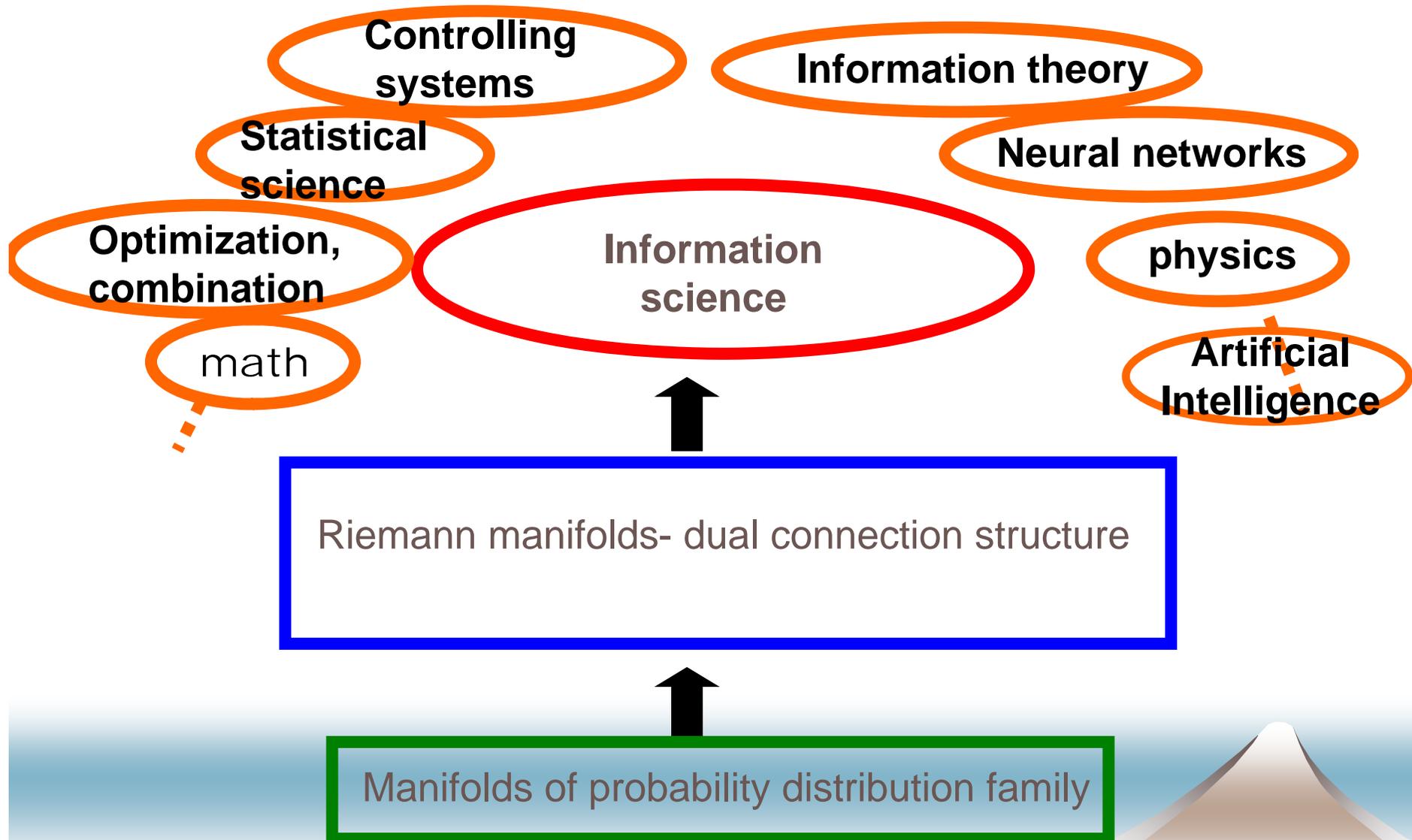
$$2^4 \rightarrow 2^7$$

**Galois field, algebraic geometry codes**



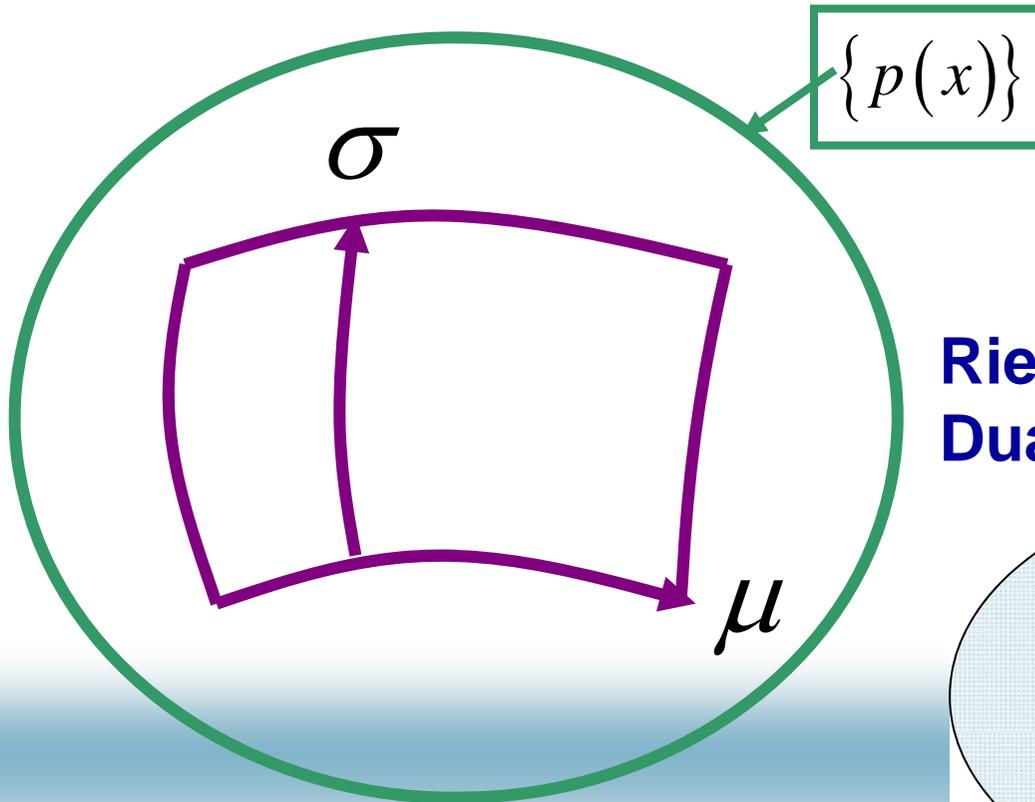
# Information geometry

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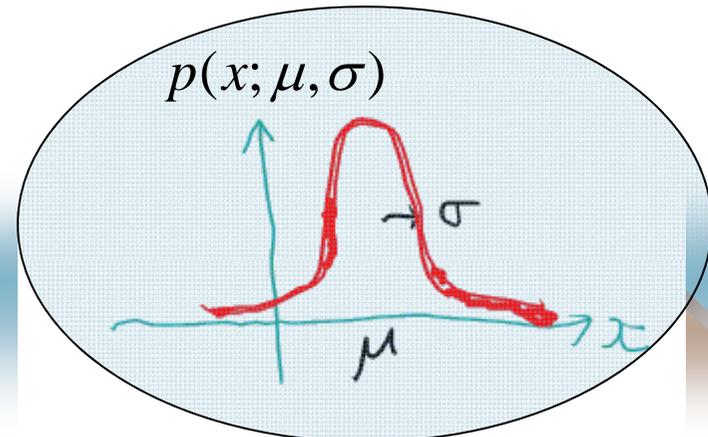
# What is Information geometry?

$$\mathcal{S} = \{p(x; \mu, \sigma)\} \quad p(x; \mu, \sigma) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma}} \exp\left\{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right\}$$



$$\mathcal{S} = \{p(x; \theta)\}$$

**Riemann geometry**  
**Dual affine connection**



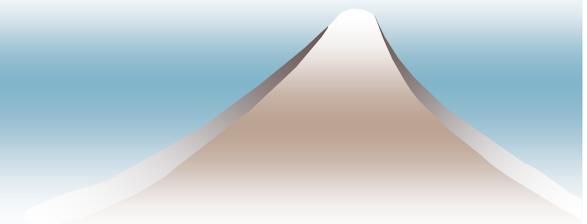
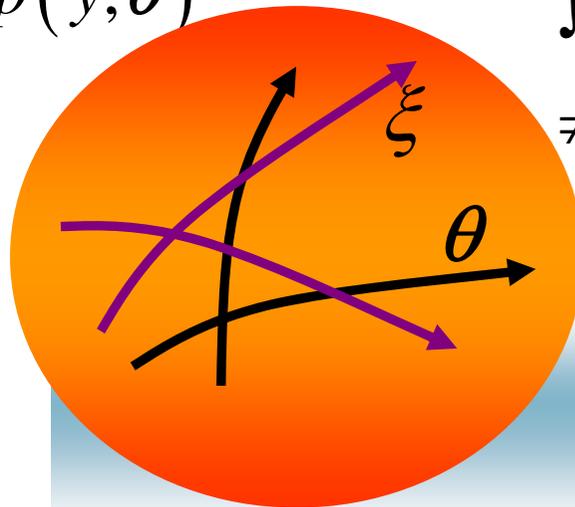
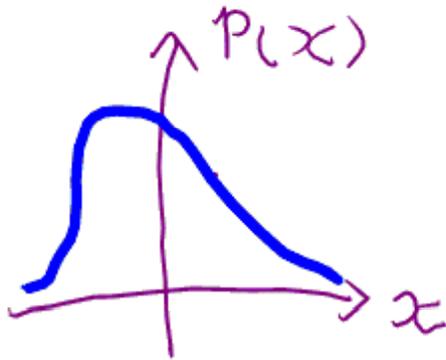
# The invariance principle: $S = \{p(x, \theta)\}$

## 1. *Independent of the parameterization*

$$\xi = \xi(\theta), \quad \bar{p}(x, \xi) \quad D = \sum \theta_i^2 \neq \sum \xi_i^2$$

## 2. *Independent of the apparent scale of the probability variable*

$$y = y(x), \quad \bar{p}(y, \theta) \quad \int |p(x, \theta_1) - p(x, \theta_2)|^2 dx \\ \neq \int |\bar{p}(y, \theta_1) - \bar{p}(y, \theta_2)|^2 dy$$



# The two geometrical structure

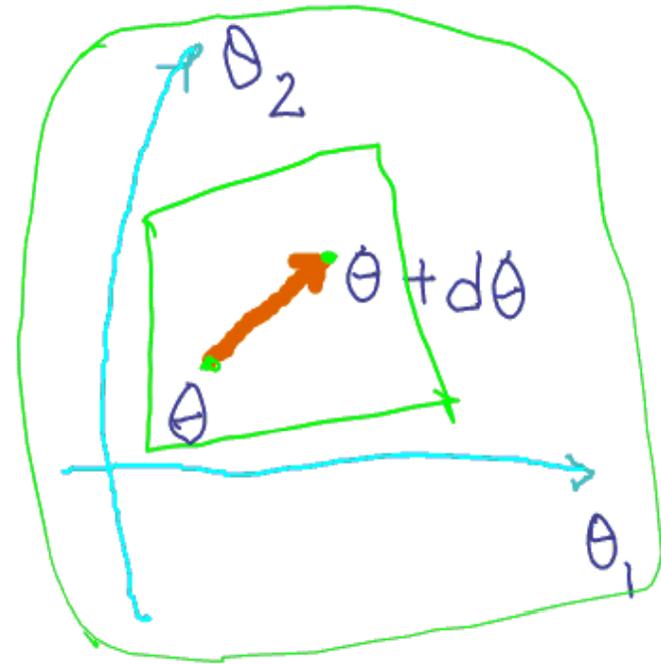
## *Riemannian and affine connection*

$$ds^2 = \sum g_{ij}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) d\theta_i d\theta_j$$

$$ds^2 = \frac{1}{2} D \left[ p(x, \boldsymbol{\theta}) : p(x, \boldsymbol{\theta} + d\boldsymbol{\theta}) \right]$$

## *Fisher information*

$$g_{ij} = E \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \log p \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} \log p \right]$$



# Affine connection

## affine connection

## covariant derivative

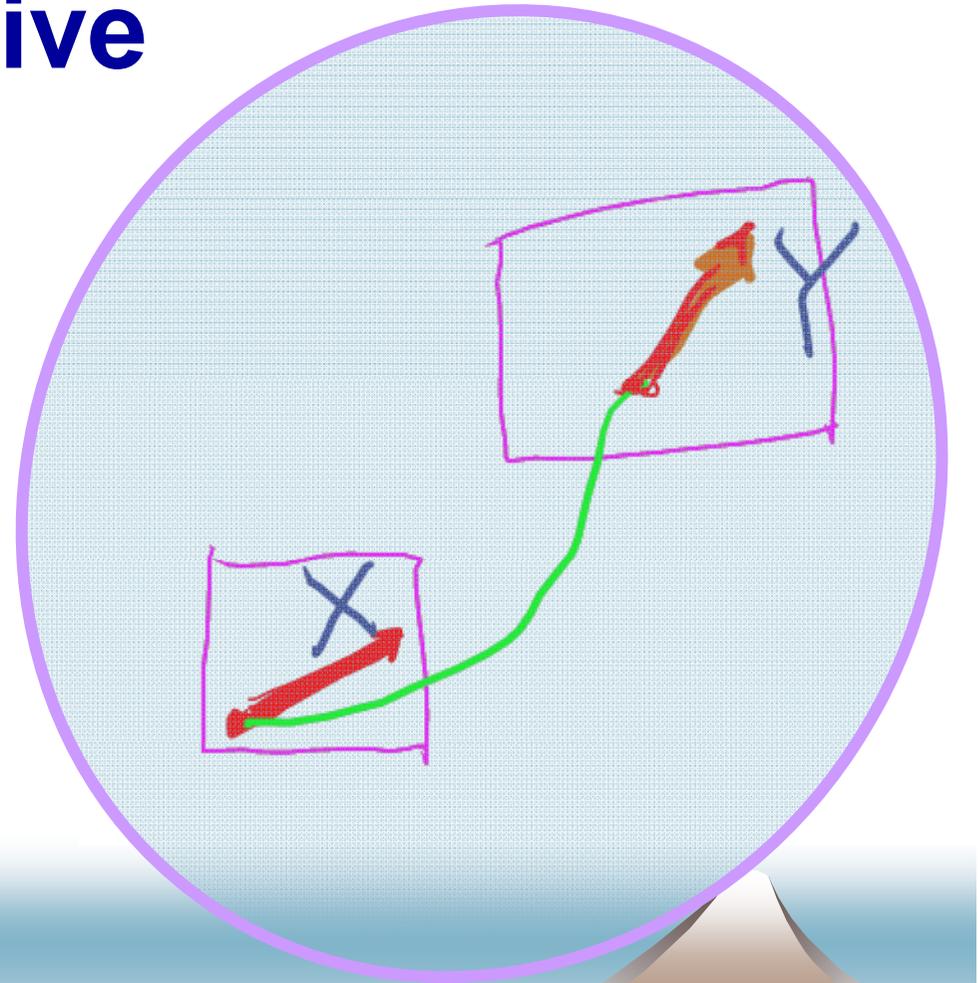
$$\Pi_c X = Y$$

geodesics  $\Pi \dot{X} - \dot{X} \quad X - X(t)$

$$s = \int \sqrt{\sum g_{ij}(\theta) d\theta^i d\theta^j}$$

minimal distance

**straight line**



# Geometry

Euclid

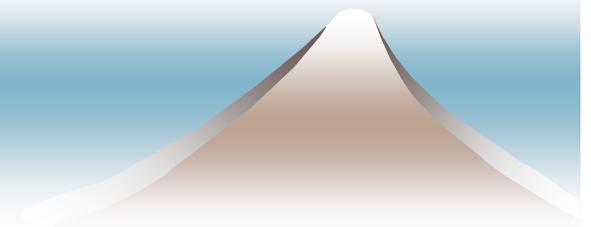
Bolyai, Lobachevsky

Gauss

Riemann

Einstein

String theory



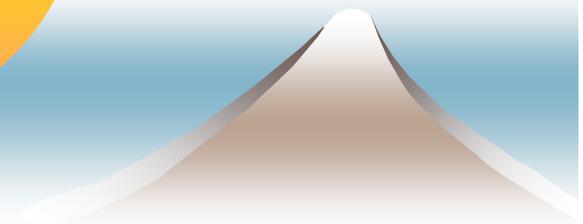
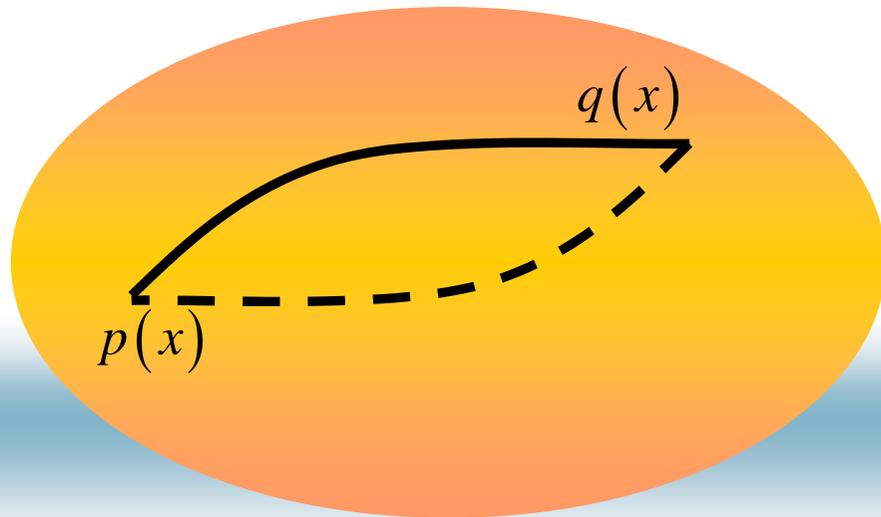
# Two affine connections $(\nabla, \nabla^*)$ $(\Pi, \Pi^*)$

*e-geodesic*

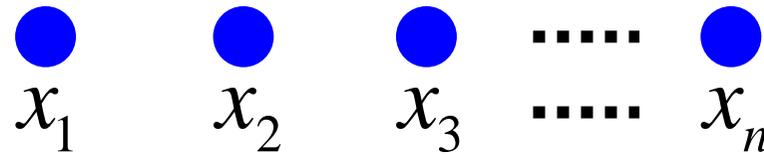
$$\log r(x, t) = t \log p(x) + (1-t) \log q(x) + c(t)$$

*m-geodesic*

$$r(x, t) = tp(x) + (1-t)q(t)$$



# Neuronal firing



$$p(\mathbf{x}) = p(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n), \quad x_i = 0, 1$$

$$\eta_i = E[x_i] \quad \text{---- firing rate}$$

$$v_{ij} = Cov[x_i, x_j] \quad \text{---- correlation}$$

What is higher-order correlations?

Are they orthogonally decomposable?

# Probabilistic inference

$$p(x, y, z, r, s)$$

$$p(x, y, z | r, s)$$

$$x, y, z, \dots = 1, -1$$

