

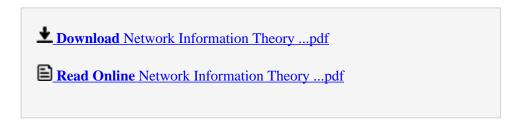
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Andrew Viterbi, University of Southern California and co-founder of Qualcomm, Inc.

"El Gamal and Kim have written a masterpiece. It brings organization and clarity to a large and previously chaotic field. The mathematics is done cleanly and carefully, and the intuition behind the results is brought out with clarity."

Robert G. Gallager, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

"On offer in this text is a superb unified pedagogical treatment including results that heretofore were only available in their original, often arcane, sources. While key regions in network information theory remain terra incognita, future discoveries are bound to owe a debt of gratitude to El Gamal and Kim's comprehensive magnum opus."

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