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EEE/ISE PART III/IV: M.Eng., B.Eng. and ACGI

# COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS

There are FOUR questions (Q1 to Q4)

Answer question ONE (in separate booklet) and TWO other questions.

Question 1 has 20 multiple choice questions numbered 1 to 20, all carrying equal marks. There is only one correct answer per question.

## *Distribution of marks*

*Question-1: 40 marks*

*Question-2: 30 marks*

*Question-3: 30 marks*

*Question-4: 30 marks*

*The following are provided:*

- A table of Fourier Transforms
- A "Gaussian Tail Function" graph

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**Information for candidates:**

The following are provided on pages 2 and 3:

- a table of Fourier Transforms;
- a graph of the 'Gaussian Tail Function'.

Question 1 is in a separate coloured booklet which should be handed in at the end of the examination.

You should answer Question 1 on the separate sheet provided. At the end of the exam, please tie this sheet securely into your main answer book(s).

**Special instructions for invigilators:**

Please ensure that the three items mentioned below are available on each desk.

- the main examination paper;
- the coloured booklet containing Question 1;
- the separate answer sheet for Question 1;

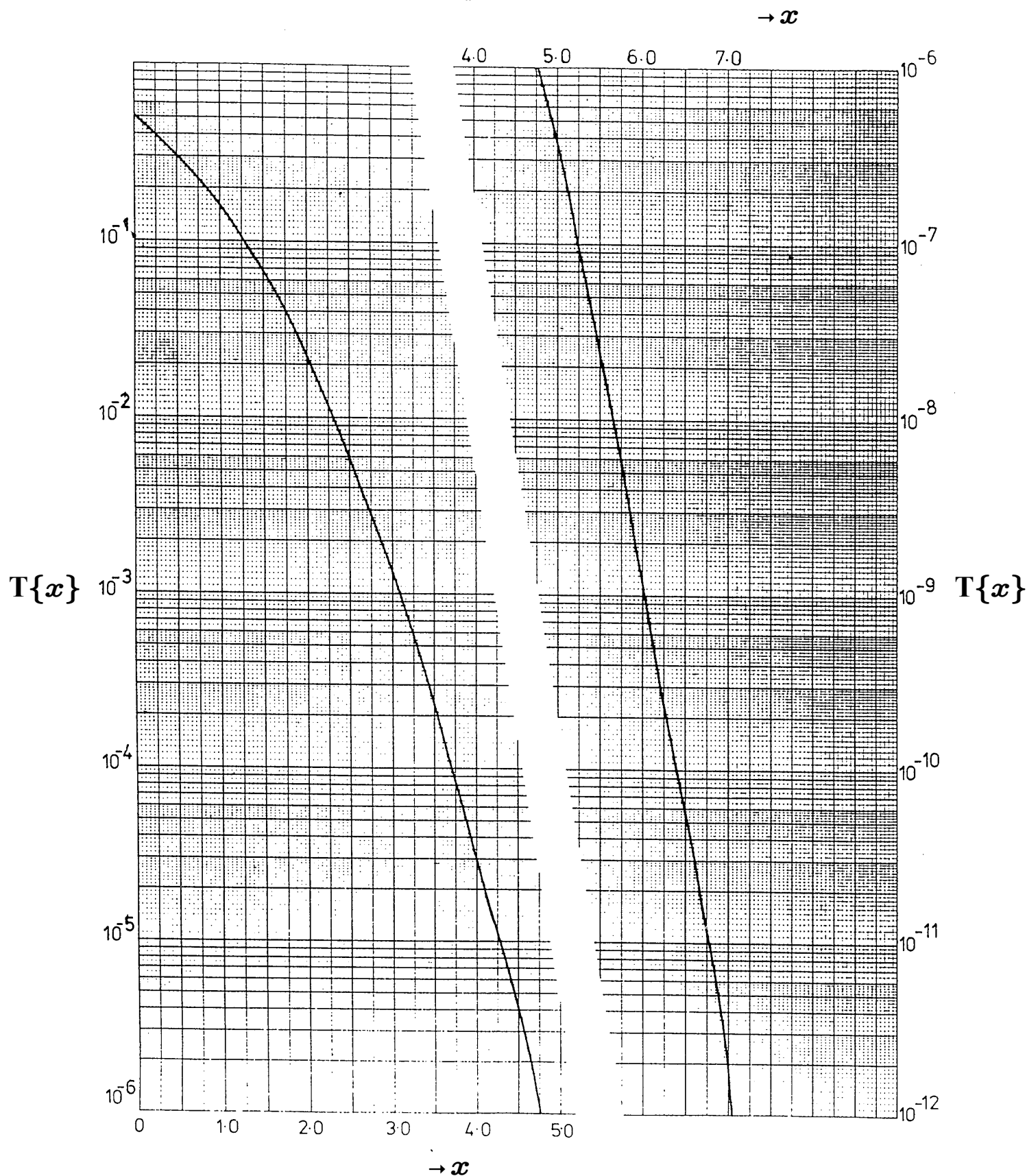
Please remind candidates at the end of the exam that they should tie their Answer Sheet for Question 1 securely into their main answer book, together with supplementary answer books etc.

Please tell candidates they must **NOT** remove the coloured booklet containing Question 1. Collect this booklet in at the end of the exam, along with the standard answer books.

## Tail Function Graph

The graph below shows the Tail function  $\mathbf{T}\{x\}$  which represents the area from  $x$  to  $\infty$  of the Gaussian probability density function  $N(0,1)$ , i.e.

$$\mathbf{T}\{x\} = \int_x^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{y^2}{2}\right) dy$$



Note that if  $x > 6.5$  then  $\mathbf{T}\{x\}$  may be approximated by  $\mathbf{T}\{x\} \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \cdot x} \cdot \exp\left\{-\frac{x^2}{2}\right\}$

## FOURIER TRANSFORMS - TABLES

	DESCRIPTION	FUNCTION	TRANSFORM
1	Definition	$g(t)$	$G(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t) \cdot e^{-j2\pi ft} dt$
2	Scaling	$g(\frac{t}{T})$	$ T  \cdot G(fT)$
3	Time shift	$g(t - T)$	$G(f) \cdot e^{-j2\pi fT}$
4	Frequency shift	$g(t) \cdot e^{j2\pi Ft}$	$G(f - F)$
5	Complex conjugate	$g^*(t)$	$G^*(-f)$
6	Temporal derivative	$\frac{d^n}{dt^n} \cdot g(t)$	$(j2\pi f)^n \cdot G(f)$
7	Spectral derivative	$(-j2\pi t)^n \cdot g(t)$	$\frac{d^n}{df^n} \cdot G(f)$
8	Reciprocity	$G(t)$	$g(-f)$
9	Linearity	$A \cdot g(t) + B \cdot h(t)$	$A \cdot G(f) + B \cdot H(f)$
10	Multiplication	$g(t) \cdot h(t)$	$G(f) * H(f)$
11	Convolution	$g(t) * h(t)$	$G(f) \cdot H(f)$
12	Delta function	$\delta(t)$	1
13	Constant	1	$\delta(f)$

	DESCRIPTION	FUNCTION	TRANSFORM
14	Rectangular function	$\mathbf{rect}\{t\} \equiv \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if }  t  < \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$	$\mathbf{sinc}(f) = \frac{\sin \pi f}{\pi f}$
15	Sinc function	$\mathbf{sinc}(t)$	$\mathbf{rect}(f)$
16	Unit step function	$u(t) = \begin{cases} +1, & t > 0 \\ 0, & t < 0 \end{cases}$	$\frac{1}{2}\delta(f) - \frac{j}{2\pi f}$
17	Signum function	$\mathbf{sgn}(t) = \begin{cases} +1, & t > 0 \\ -1, & t < 0 \end{cases}$	$-\frac{j}{\pi f}$
18	Decaying exponential (two-sided)	$e^{- t }$	$\frac{2}{1+(2\pi f)^2}$
19	Decaying exponential (one-sided)	$e^{- t } \cdot u(t)$	$\frac{1-j2\pi f}{1+(2\pi f)^2}$
20	Gaussian function	$e^{-\pi t^2}$	$e^{-\pi f^2}$
21	Lambda function	$\Lambda\{t\} \equiv \begin{cases} 1-t & \text{if } 0 \leq t \leq 1 \\ 1+t & \text{if } -1 \leq t \leq 0 \end{cases}$	$\mathbf{sinc}^2(f)$
22	Repeated function	$\mathbf{rep}_T\{g(t)\} = g(t) * \mathbf{rep}_T\{\delta(t)\}$	$ \frac{1}{T}  \cdot \mathbf{comb}_{\frac{1}{T}}\{G(f)\}$
23	Sampled function	$\mathbf{comb}_T\{g(t)\} = g(t) \cdot \mathbf{rep}_T\{\delta(t)\}$	$ \frac{1}{T}  \cdot \mathbf{rep}_{\frac{1}{T}}\{G(f)\}$

## The Questions

1. *This question is bound separately and has 20 multiple choice questions numbered 1 to 20, all carrying equal marks .*

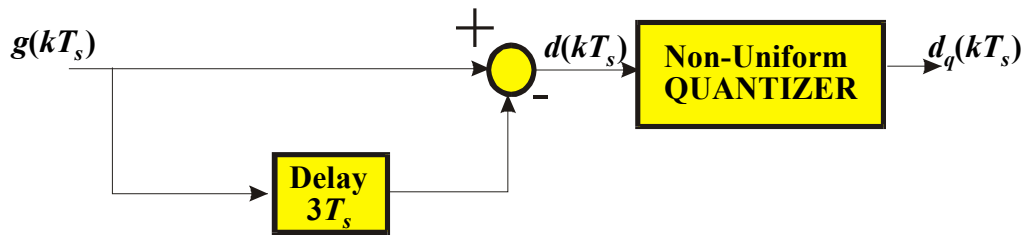
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*Circle the answers you think are correct .*

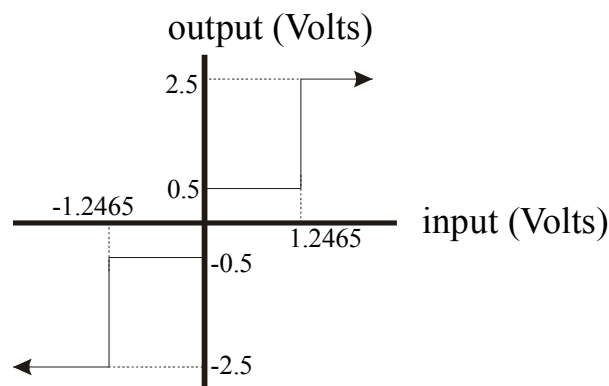
*There is only one correct answer per question.*

*There are no negative marks.*

2. Consider a non-white zero-mean Gaussian random source  $g(t)$  having an autocorrelation function  $R_{gg}(\tau) = \exp(-6000 |\tau|)$ . The signal is sampled at a rate of 12 ksamples/sec and then is applied at the input of the differential quantizer shown below



where  $T_s$  is the sample time,  $k$  is an integer. The transfer function of the quantizer is shown below:



- Calculate the power of the signal  $d(kT_s)$ . [5]
- Calculate and sketch the pdf of the signal  $d_q(kT_s)$  at the output of the quantizer. [5]
- Design a prefix source encoder to encode the output levels from the quantizer. [10]
- Find the information bit rate and the data bit rate at the output of the source encoder. [10]

- 3.** Consider a PCM system where its quantizer consists of an *A-law* compander (with  $A = 87.6$ ) followed by a uniform quantizer with "end points"  $b_i$ , and "output levels"  $m_i$ . The maximum value of the input signal, which is sampled at 18 ksamples/sec, is 5 Volts and the input/output characteristics of the uniform quantizer are given in the following tables:

$b_0$	$b_1$	$b_2$	$b_3$	$b_4$	$b_5$	$b_6$	$b_7$	$b_8$
-5V	-3.75V	-2.5V	-1.25V	0V	1.25V	2.5V	3.75V	5V

$m_1$	$m_2$	$m_3$	$m_4$	$m_5$	$m_6$	$m_7$	$m_8$
-4.37V	-3.125V	-1.875V	-0.625V	0.625V	1.875V	3.125V	4.375V

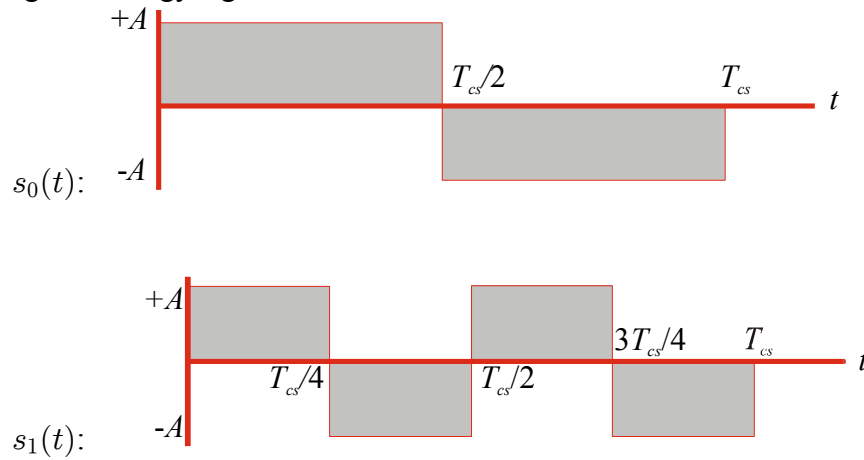
- a) If the signal at the output of the sampler, at time  $kT_s$ , is equal to  $-3.7$  Volts, estimate the instantaneous quantization noise  $n_q(kT_s)$  [20]
- b) Estimate the average Signal-to-Quantization-Noise Ratio ( $\text{SNR}_q$ ). [5]
- c) How many hours of the audio signal correspond to 2GBytes of PCM data? [5]

Note that *A-law* compression is defined as follows:

$$\text{output} = \begin{cases} \frac{A \cdot |x|}{1 + \ln A} & 0 < |x| < \frac{1}{A} \\ \frac{1 + \ln(A \cdot |x|)}{1 + \ln A} & \frac{1}{A} < |x| < 1 \end{cases}$$

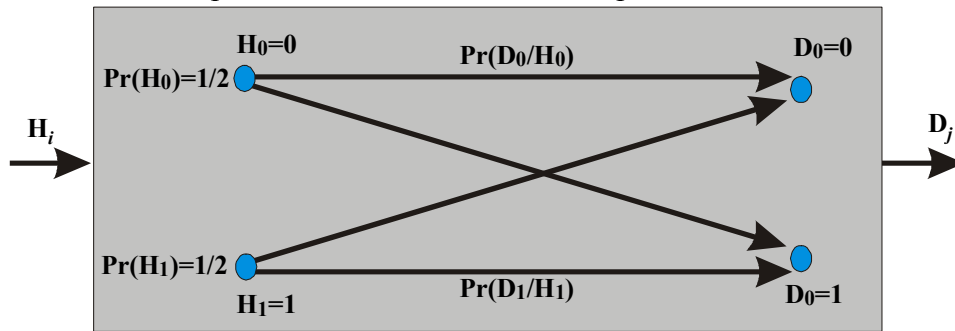
$$\text{where } x = \frac{\text{input value in Volts}}{\text{maximum input value in Volts}}$$

4. Consider a 166.6667 kbits/second binary source of 1's and 0's with the number of ones being equal to the number of zeros. The binary sequence is fed to a triple repetition channel encoder and then to a digital modulator which employs the following two energy signals



with a *one* being sent as the signal (channel symbol)  $s_1(t)$  and *zero* being sent as  $s_0(t)$ . The transmitted signal is corrupted by additive white Gaussian channel noise having a double-sided power spectral density of  $10^{-12}$  W/Hz. The received signal is processed by a matched filter receiver followed by a 'majority logic' channel decoder.

The figure below shows the discrete channel which models the system from the channel encoder's input to the channel decoder's output:



If the bit error rate at the output of the matched filter is 0.3, find:

- the time duration  $T_{cs}$  of a channel symbol [5]
- the amplitude  $A$  at the receiver's input. [10]
- the probability that a bit is correctly detected at the output of the channel decoder. [5]
- the forward transition channel-matrix  $\mathbb{F}$ . [5]
- the joint-probability channel-matrix  $\mathbb{J}$ , i.e. the matrix with elements the probabilities  $\Pr(H_i, D_j) \forall i, j$  [5]

[END]