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1 Introduction

Additive White Gaussian Noise (AWGN) is often used to imitate the random and uncontrollable nature of the world. Phase-Shift Keying (PSK) can be considered as a unique case of Quadrature Amplitude Modulation (QAM), a method that finds frequent use within modern telecommunication systems to transmit information

A simulation platform for BPSK, 4QAM, 8PSK and 16QAM communication systems was developed. Data was transferred through these the systems with AWGN added. The reception part of the communication systems then attempted to demodulate the transmitted data and the received data was compared against the sent data to study the effects of noise on each communication system.

Firstly, two number generators were created. The first was a uniform number generator, and the second one was a Gaussian Number Generator. These were designed using the algorithms published by Wichmann-Hill [1] and Marsaglia-Bray [2]. The uniform number generator was used to generate random bits. Any value less than or equal to 0.5 was considered a 0 bit, while all values greater than 0.5 were considered a 1.

Marsaglia-Bray's algorithm, more also known as the Marsaglia polar method, generates a pair of random numbers along a normal distributive curve about the number. Basic random functions would take a range of numbers and the probability of picking a number randomly is equal. If someone were to pick at random a value within the range 1,10 the odds of picking any one of them would be equal to that of any other number. 10

A gaussian function would make it such that the value would average to a mean, μ , with a specified standard deviation, σ .

The bits were then mapped to their respective modulation constellation maps and noise was added to the symbols during their transmission. The transmitted symbols were demodulated, and we compared the detected symbols to the transmitted symbols and tallied the errors. The symbols were then converted back to bits and the Bit Error Rate (BER) was calculated by:

We expected that as the number of bits being mapped increased, the error rate within the transmission would increase. We also expected to see the QAM methods having a higher error rate than the PSK systems.

2 Theoretical background

2.1 Wichmann-Hill

An ideal random number generator should be repeatable and should have good time complexity. The random number generator needs to be portable, be able to run on a 16-bit machine. To do so a prime number less than 32768 and a multiplier of around the square root of the prime (Wichmann. B Hill D,1982).

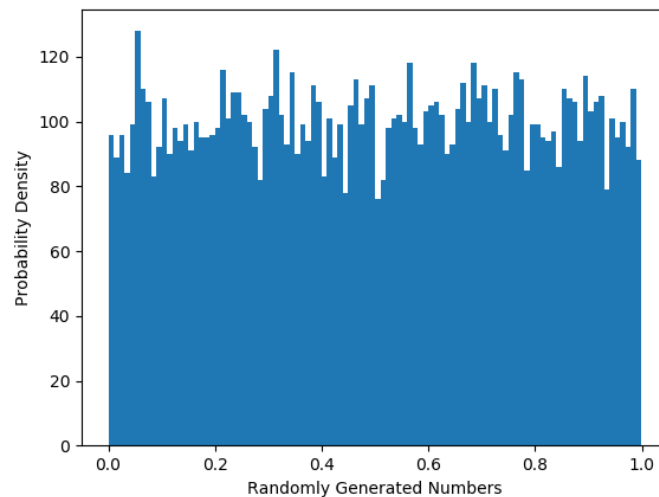


Figure 1: Uniform number Generator with size = 10 000

```

1 # -*- coding: utf-8 -*-
2 """
3 Created on Fri Oct  2 22:11:23 2020
4
5 @author: user
6 """
7
8 import random
9 import statistics as st
10 import numpy as np
11 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
12 from scipy.stats import norm
13
14 def theorwhichman(size):
15     rand=[]
16     for i in range(0,size):
17         rand.append(random.uniform(0, 1))
18     return rand
19 size=10000
20
21 a=theorwhichman(size)
22
23 mu = st.mean(a)
24 sigma = st.stdev(a)
25
26 x = np.linspace(-1, 1, size)
27 a.sort()
28
29 plt.hist(a,100)
30 plt.ylabel('Probability Density')
31 plt.xlabel('Randomly Generated Numbers')
32 plt.show()
33
34 print("Sigma:", sigma)
35 print("Mu:", mu)

```

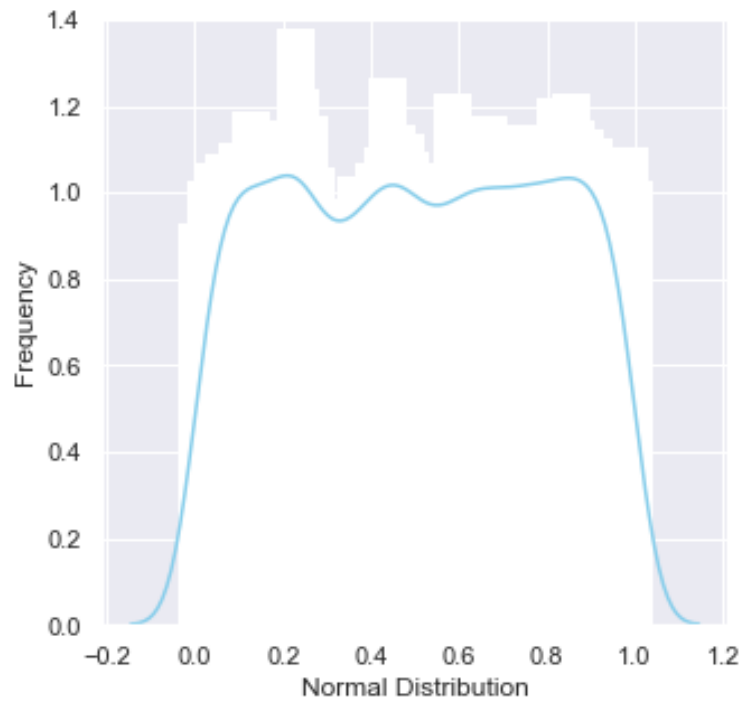


Figure 2: normal distribution with size = 10 000

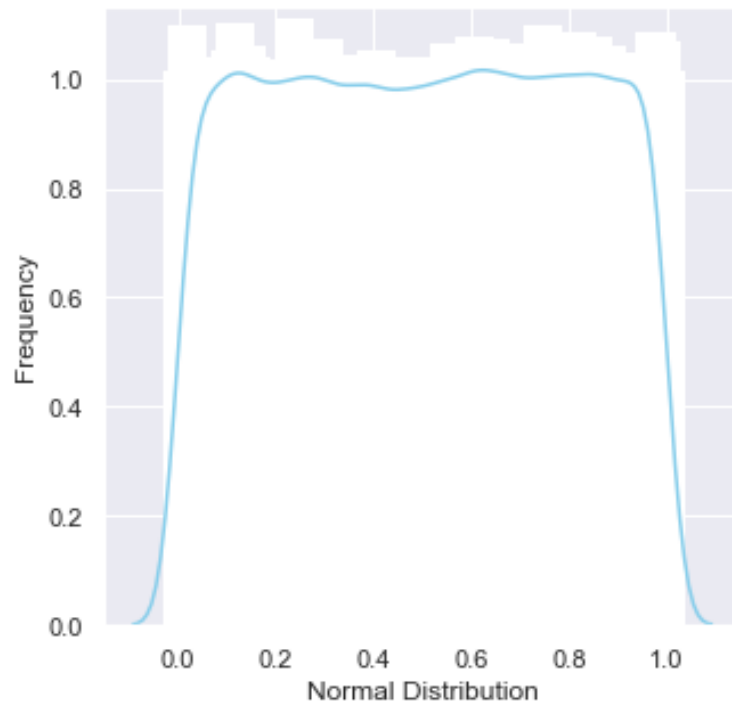


Figure 3: normal distribution with size = 10 0000

The ideal Mean is 0.5 and standard deviation of 0.3.

```

1 # -*- coding: utf-8 -*-
2 """
3 Created on Fri Oct  2 22:11:23 2020
4
5 @author: user
6 """
7
8 import random
9 import statistics as st
10 import numpy as np
11 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
12 from scipy.stats import norm
13 import seaborn as sns
14 # settings for seaborn plotting style
15 sns.set(color_codes=True)
16 # settings for seaborn plot sizes
17 sns.set(rc={'figure.figsize':(5,5)})
18
19 def theorwhichman(size):
20     rand=[]
21     for i in range(0,size):
22         rand.append(random.uniform(0, 1))
23     return rand
24 size=100000
25
26 a=theorwhichman(size)
27
28 mu = st.mean(a)
29 sigma = st.stdev(a)
30
31 x = np.linspace(-1, 1, size)
32 a.sort()
33
34
35
36 ax = sns.distplot(a,
37                   bins=100,
38                   kde=True,
39                   color='skyblue',
40                   hist_kws={"linewidth": 15,'alpha':1})
41 ax.set(xlabel='Normal Distribution', ylabel='Frequency')
42 #[Text(0,0.5,u'Frequency'), Text(0.5,0,u'Normal Distribution')]
43 #plt.plot(a, norm(0.5, 1).pdf(a))
44 #plt.ylabel('Probability Density')
45 #plt.xlabel('Randomly Generated Numbers')
46 #plt.show()
47
48 print("Sigma:", sigma)
49 print("Mu:", mu)

```

Code for theoretical simulations

2.2 Gaussian generator

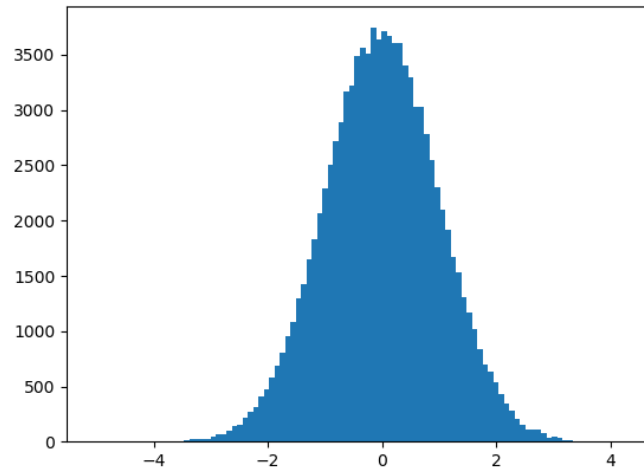


Figure 4: Python standard Gaussian generator after 100 000 iterations

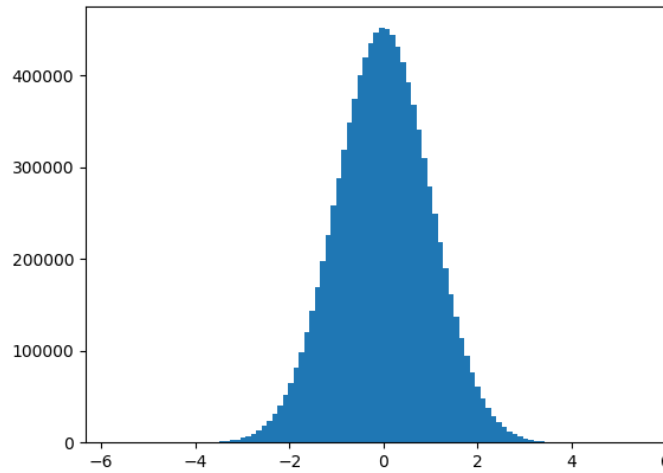


Figure 5: Python standard Gaussian Gaussian generator after 10 000 000 iterations

The ideal Mean is 0, standard deviation is 1, and variance is 1.

3 Design/Method

Two number generators were created. The first was a uniform number generator, and the second one was a Gaussian Number Generator. These were designed using the algorithms published by Wichmann-Hill and Marsaglia-Bray (The code python code can be found in Appendix A, Task 1 and Task 2 respectively). The uniform number generator

was used to generate random bits. Any value less than or equal to 0.5 was considered a 0 bit, while all values greater than 0.5 were considered a 1. The Uniform Number

The bits were mapped to their respective modulation constellation maps, after which noise was added to the Symbols using the Gaussian random number generator through the formula:

$$r_k = s_k + \sigma n_k \quad (1)$$

where n_k is the k_{th} complex zero mean, unity variance, Gaussian random variable. The Signal to Noise Ratio (SNR) was calculated by:

$$SNR = \frac{E_B}{N_o} \quad (2)$$

The received symbols were demodulated by calculating the Euclidean distance between the received symbol and all possible symbols on the respective constellation map. The symbol with the smallest Euclidean distance taken as the demodulated bits. Next, we compared the detected symbols to the transmitted symbols and tallied the errors. SER was calculated by:

$$SER = \frac{no.ofsymbolerrors}{no.oftransmittedsymbols} \quad (3)$$

The symbols were then converted back to bits and the BER was calculated by:

$$BER = \frac{no.ofbiterrors}{no.oftransmittedbits} \quad (4)$$

4 Simulations and Results

4.1 Task 1

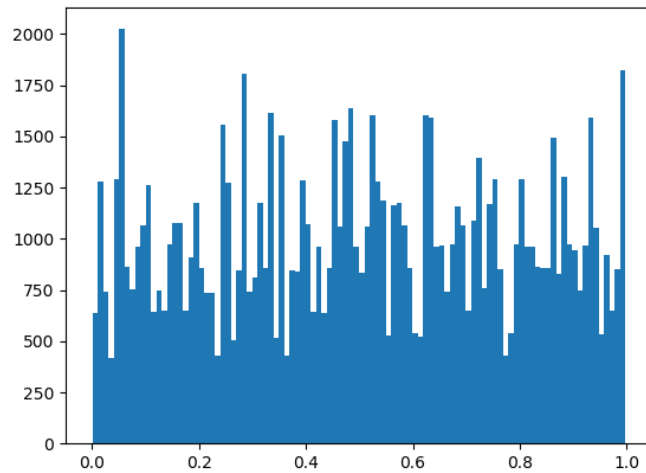


Figure 6: Uniform number Generator with size = 10 000

The mean found here was 0.497 and the standard deviation was 0.296. This is close to the expected results as obtained in the theoretical background.

4.2 Task 2

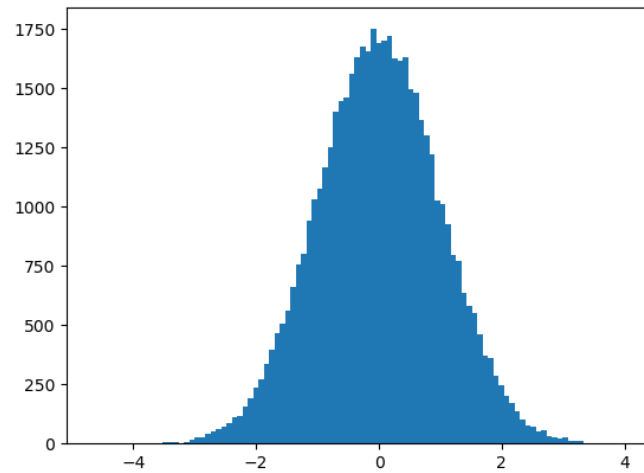


Figure 7: Gaussian generator after 100 000 iterations

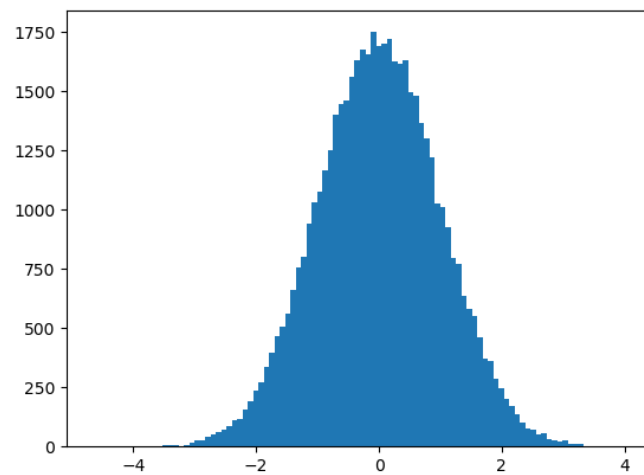


Figure 8: Gaussian generator after 10 000 000 iterations

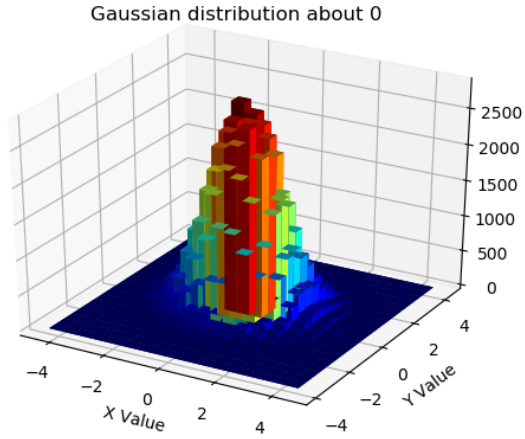


Figure 9: Gaussian generator mapped to 3D space

From Figures 4 and 5, we see that increasing the iterations improves the “shape” of the data. That is as we increase the number of iterations, the data better falls into a normally distributed curve.

The Average tends to 0 as the number iterations is increased and the standard deviation approaches 1. Although the standard python Gaussian’s distributor was more accurate than the Marsaglia-Bray algorithm, it took considerably longer to compile.

4.3 Task 3

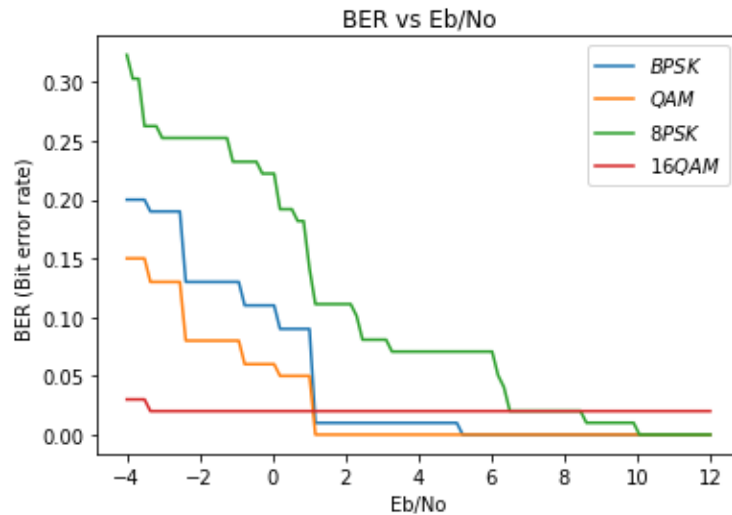


Figure 10: Signal Error Rate as a function of Signal to Noise Ratio(SNR)

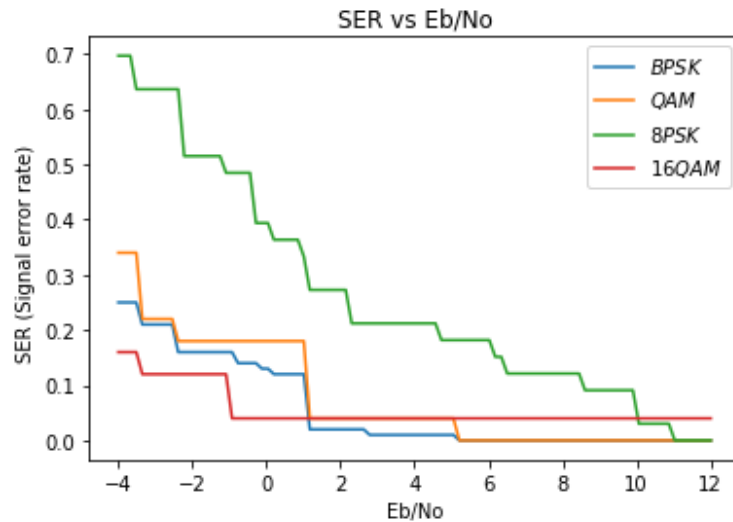


Figure 11: Bit Error Rate as a function of SNR

5 Conclusion

We saw that the effects of noise became more prominent as the number of bits being mapped increased. From this we can deduce the advantages of using low QAM, but we also see how effective higher orders of QAM become in transmitting speed, as the lower orders take significantly more time to transfer and decode. In an environment in which noise can be minimized reliably, it would be recommended to use higher orders of QAM and PSK, but in areas in which the noise cannot be reliably mitigated the use of lower order transfer systems is recommended.

6 References

- [1] B. Wichmann and D. Hill, "Building a random number generator", Byte, pp 127-128, March 1987.
- [2] G. Marsaglia and T.A. Bray, "A convenient method for generating normal variables", SIAM Rev., Vol. 6, pp 260-264, 1964.

7 Appendix A

7.1 Task 1

```

1 # -*- coding: utf-8 -*-
2 """
3 Created on Thu Aug 27 17:09:43 2020
4
5 @author: Boris
6 """
7 import random
8 import math

```

```

9 from datetime import datetime
10 import statistics as st
11 import numpy as np
12 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
13 from scipy.stats import norm
14 from matplotlib import cm
15 import mpl_toolkits.mplot3d
16 from operator import add
17 import copy
18
19
20 def Whichman():
21     # creating the random values based on the above seed
22     x = random.randint(1, 30000)
23     y = random.randint(1, 30000)
24     z = random.randint(1, 30000)
25
26     # first generation
27     x = 171 * (x % 177) - 2 * (x / 177)
28
29     if x < 0:
30         x = x + 30629
31         # first generation
32     y = 172 * (y % 176) - 2 * (y / 176)
33     if y < 0:
34         y = y + 30307
35     # first Generation
36     z = 170 * (z % 178) - 2 * (z / 178)
37     if z < 0:
38         z = z + 30323
39     temp = x / 30269 + y / 30307 + z / 30323
40
41     return temp - math.trunc(temp)
42
43
44 def Whichman_Random_Generator(size):
45     values = []
46     # creating a random seed based on the current date and time now
47     random.seed(datetime.now())
48     for i in range(0, size):
49         values.append(Whichman())
50     return values
51
52
53 # plotting
54 # size of the random values
55 size = 98
56 randomValues = Whichman_Random_Generator(size)
57 laterValues = copy.deepcopy(randomValues)
58 mu = st.mean(randomValues)
59 sigma = st.stdev(randomValues)
60
61 x = np.linspace(-1, 1, size)
62 randomValues.sort()
63
64 plt.plot(randomValues, norm(mu, sigma).pdf(randomValues))
65 plt.ylabel('Probability Density')

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66 plt.xlabel('Randomly Generated Numbers')
67 plt.show()
68
69 print("Sigma:", sigma)
70 print("Mu:", mu)

```

7.2 Task 2

```

1
2 def Gaussian(Seed):
3     length = Seed
4     loop = 0
5
6     GaussX = []
7     GaussY = []
8
9
10    while loop < length:
11        v = [random.random(), random.random()]
12
13        v[0] = 2*v[0]-1
14        v[1] = 2*v[1]-1
15        while (v[0]**2 + v[1]**2 > 1) or (v[0]**2+ v[1]**2 == 0):
16            v[0] = random.random()
17            v[1] = random.random()
18
19            v[0] = 2*v[0]-1
20            v[1] = 2*v[1]-1
21        X = v[0]*(-2*np.log(v[0]**2+v[1]**2)/(v[0]**2+v[1]**2))*0.5
22        Y = v[1]*(-2*np.log(v[0]**2+v[1]**2)/(v[0]**2+v[1]**2))*0.5
23        GaussX.append(X)
24        GaussY.append(Y)
25        loop = loop + 1
26
27    return GaussX, GaussY
28
29 #plotting
30 def Plot2D(X = [],Y=[],density=100):
31     A = X+Y
32     plt.hist(A, density)
33
34
35 # 3D map plotting
36 # source: ArtifexR, https://stackoverflow.com/questions/8437788/how-to-correctly-generate-a-3d-histogram-using-numpy-or-matplotlib-built-in-func
37 def Plot3D(GaussX = [], GaussY = []):
38     xAmplitudes = GaussX
39     yAmplitudes = GaussY
40
41     x = np.array(xAmplitudes) #turn x,y data into numpy arrays
42     y = np.array(yAmplitudes)
43
44     fig = plt.figure() #create a canvas, tell matplotlib it's
45     # 3d
46     ax = fig.add_subplot(111, projection='3d')

```

```

47 #make histogram stuff - set bins - I choose 20x20 because I have a
    lot of data
48 hist, xedges, yedges = np.histogram2d(x, y, bins=(20,20))
49 xpos, ypos = np.meshgrid(xedges[:-1]+xedges[1:], yedges[:-1]+
    yedges[1:])
50
51 xpos = xpos.flatten()/2.
52 ypos = ypos.flatten()/2.
53 zpos = np.zeros_like (xpos)
54
55 dx = xedges [1] - xedges [0]
56 dy = yedges [1] - yedges [0]
57 dz = hist.flatten()
58
59 cmap = cm.get_cmap('jet') # Get desired colormap - you can change
    this!
60 max_height = np.max(dz) # get range of colorbars so we can
    normalize
61 min_height = np.min(dz)
62 # scale each z to [0,1], and get their rgb values
63 rgba = [cmap((k-min_height)/max_height) for k in dz]
64
65 ax.bar3d(xpos, ypos, zpos, dx, dy, dz, color=rgba, zsort='average'
    )
66 plt.title("Gaussian distribution about 0")
67 plt.xlabel("X Value")
68 plt.ylabel("Y Value")
69 plt.savefig("Gaussian distribution about 0")
70 plt.show()

```

7.3 Task 3

```

1
2 #
    -----
3 #                               Bit generator
4 #
    -----
5 # random bits generator
6 def bits_gen(values):
7     data = []
8     # values= Whichman_Random_Generator(number)
9     for i in values:
10         if i < 0.5:
11             data.append(0)
12         else:
13             data.append(1)
14
15     return data
16
17
18 #
    -----
19 #                               mapping of bits to symbol using constellation maps

```

```

20 #
-----
21 def BPSK(data):
22     bpsk = []
23     for k in bits:
24         if k == 1:
25             bpsk.append(1)
26         else:
27             bpsk.append(-1)
28     return bpsk
29
30
31 def fourQAM(data):
32     FQAM = []
33     M = 2
34     subList = [bits[n:n + M] for n in range(0, len(bits), M)]
35     for k in subList:
36         if k == [0, 0]:
37             FQAM.append(complex(1 / np.sqrt(2), 1 / np.sqrt(2)))
38         elif k == [0, 1]:
39             FQAM.append(complex(-1 / np.sqrt(2), 1 / np.sqrt(2)))
40         elif k == [1, 1]:
41             FQAM.append(complex(-1 / np.sqrt(2), -1 / np.sqrt(2)))
42         # elif(k==[1,0]):
43         elif k == [1, 0]:
44             FQAM.append(complex(1 / np.sqrt(2), -1 / np.sqrt(2)))
45
46     return FQAM
47
48
49 def eight_PSK(data):
50     EPSK = []
51     M = 3
52     subList = [bits[n:n + M] for n in range(0, len(bits), M)]
53     for k in subList:
54         if k == [0, 0, 0]:
55             EPSK.append(complex(1 / np.sqrt(2), 0))
56         elif k == [0, 0, 1]:
57             EPSK.append(complex(1 / 2, 1 / 2))
58         elif k == [0, 1, 1]:
59             EPSK.append(complex(0, 1 / np.sqrt(2)))
60         elif k == [0, 1, 0]:
61             EPSK.append(complex(-1 / 2, 1 / 2))
62         elif k == [1, 1, 0]:
63             EPSK.append(complex(-1 / np.sqrt(2), 0))
64         elif k == [1, 1, 1]:
65             EPSK.append(complex(-1 / 2, -1 / 2))
66         elif k == [1, 0, 1]:
67             EPSK.append(complex(0, -1 / np.sqrt(2)))
68         elif k == [1, 0, 0]:
69             EPSK.append(complex(1 / 2, -1 / 2))
70     return EPSK
71
72
73 def sixteenQAM(data):
74     sixtQAM = []

```

```

75     M = 4
76     subList = [bits[n:n + M] for n in range(0, len(bits), M)]
77     for k in subList:
78         if k == [0, 0, 0, 0]:
79             sixtQAM.append(complex(-3, -3))
80         elif k == [0, 0, 0, 1]:
81             sixtQAM.append(complex(-3, -1))
82         elif k == [0, 0, 1, 1]:
83             sixtQAM.append(complex(-3, 1))
84         elif k == [0, 0, 1, 0]:
85             sixtQAM.append(complex(-3, 3))
86         elif k == [0, 1, 1, 0]:
87             sixtQAM.append(complex(-1, 3))
88         elif k == [0, 1, 1, 1]:
89             sixtQAM.append(complex(-1, 1))
90         elif k == [0, 1, 0, 1]:
91             sixtQAM.append(complex(-1 - 1))
92         elif k == [0, 1, 0, 0]:
93             sixtQAM.append(complex(-1, -3))
94         elif k == [1, 1, 0, 0]:
95             sixtQAM.append(complex(1, -3))
96         elif k == [1, 1, 0, 1]:
97             sixtQAM.append(complex(1, -1))
98         elif k == [1, 1, 1, 1]:
99             sixtQAM.append(complex(1, 1))
100        elif k == [1, 1, 1, 0]:
101            sixtQAM.append(complex(1, 3))
102        elif k == [1, 0, 1, 0]:
103            sixtQAM.append(complex(3, 3))
104        elif k == [1, 0, 1, 1]:
105            sixtQAM.append(complex(3, 1))
106        elif k == [1, 0, 0, 1]:
107            sixtQAM.append(complex(3, -1))
108        elif k == [1, 0, 0, 0]:
109            sixtQAM.append(complex(3, -3))
110    return sixtQAM
111
112
113 #
114 #
115 #
116
117 def Add_noise(transmitted, Gnoise, M, SNR):
118     gama = 1 / np.sqrt(math.pow(10, (SNR / 10)) * 2 * math.log2(M))
119     # print(gama)
120     new = [i * gama for i in Gnoise]
121     R = list(map(add, transmitted, new))
122     return R
123
124
125 #

```



```

126 #                                     Detection
127 #
-----
128
129 def BPSKDetection(comp):
130     points = [-1, 1]
131     Bpoints = [[0], [1]]
132     recieved = -1
133     minDistance = 99
134     decoded = []
135     Bdecoded = []
136     for y in comp:
137         for x in range(len(points)):
138             distance = (y - points[x]) ** 2
139             if distance <= minDistance:
140                 minDistance = distance
141                 recieved = x
142             decoded.append(points[recieved])
143             Bdecoded.append(Bpoints[recieved])
144     return decoded, Bdecoded # recieved
145
146
147 def QAM4Detection(comp):
148     points = [(1 + 1j) / np.sqrt(2), (-1 - 1j) / np.sqrt(2),
149              (1 - 1j) / np.sqrt(2), (-1 + 1j) / np.sqrt(2)]
150     Bpoints = [[0, 0], [1, 1], [1, 0], [0, 1]]
151     recieved = -1
152     minDistance = 99
153     decoded = []
154     Bdecoded = []
155     for y in comp:
156         for x in range(len(points)):
157             distance = (points[x] - y) ** 2
158             if np.abs(distance) <= np.abs(minDistance):
159                 minDistance = distance
160                 recieved = x
161             decoded.append(points[recieved])
162             Bdecoded.append(Bpoints[recieved])
163     return decoded, Bdecoded
164
165
166 def PSK8Detection(comp):
167     # points = [(-1 - 1j) / np.sqrt(2), -1, 1j, (-1 + 1j) / np.sqrt(2),
168     #           -1j, (1 - 1j) / np.sqrt(2), (1 + 1j) /
169     #           np.sqrt(2), 1]
170     points = [complex(1 / np.sqrt(2), 0), complex(1 / 2, 1 / 2),
171              complex(0, 1 / np.sqrt(2)), complex(-1 / 2, 1 / 2),
172              complex(-1 / np.sqrt(2), 0), complex(-1 / 2, -1 / 2),
173              complex(0, -1 / np.sqrt(2)), complex(1 / 2, -1 / 2)]
174     Bpoints = [[0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 1],
175               [0, 1, 1], [0, 1, 0],
176               [1, 1, 0], [1, 1, 1],
177               [1, 0, 1], [1, 0, 0]]
178     recieved = -1
179     minDistance = 99
180     decoded = []

```

```

180 Bdecoded = []
181 for y in comp:
182     for x in range(len(points)):
183         distance = (points[x] - y) ** 2
184         if np.abs(distance) <= np.abs(minDistance):
185             minDistance = distance
186             recieved = x
187         decoded.append(points[recieved])
188         Bdecoded.append(Bpoints[recieved])
189 return decoded, Bdecoded
190
191
192 def QAM16Detection(comp):
193     # points = [-1 + 1j, -1 + 1j / 3, -1 - 1j, -1 - 1j / 3,
194     #           -1 / 3 + 1j, (-1 + 1j) / 3, -1 / 3 - 1j, (-1 + 1j) / 3,
195     #           1 + 1j, 1 + 1j / 3, 1 - 1j, 1 - 1j / 3,
196     #           1 / 3 + 1j, (1 + 1j) / 3, 1 / 3 - 1j, (1 - 1j) / 3]
197     points = [complex(-3, -3), complex(-3, -1), complex(-3, 1),
198     complex(-3, 3),
199     complex(-1, 3), complex(-1, 1), complex(-1, -1), complex
200     (-1, -3),
201     complex(1, -3), complex(1, -1), complex(1, 1), complex
202     (1, 3),
203     complex(3, 3), complex(3, 1), complex(3, -1), complex(3,
204     -3)]
205     Bpoints = [[0, 0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0, 1], [0, 0, 1, 1], [0, 0, 1, 0],
206     [0, 1, 1, 0], [0, 1, 1, 1], [0, 1, 0, 1], [0, 1, 0, 0],
207     [1, 1, 0, 0], [1, 1, 0, 1], [1, 1, 1, 1], [1, 1, 1, 0],
208     [1, 0, 1, 0], [1, 0, 1, 1], [1, 0, 0, 1], [1, 0, 0, 0]]
209     recieved = -1
210     minDistance = 99
211     decoded = []
212     Bdecoded = []
213     for y in comp:
214         for x in range(len(points)):
215             distance = (points[x] - y) ** 2
216             if np.abs(distance) <= np.abs(minDistance):
217                 minDistance = distance
218                 recieved = x
219             decoded.append(points[recieved])
220             Bdecoded.append(Bpoints[recieved])
221     return decoded, Bdecoded
222
223
224
225
226 # Transmission and detection

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227 #
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228 def transmission(n, bits):
229     if n == 1:
230         return BPSK(bits)
231     elif n == 2:
232         return fourQAM(bits)
233     elif n == 3:
234         return eight_PSK(bits)
235     elif n == 4:
236         return sixteenQAM(bits)
237
238
239 def detection(n, bits):
240     if n == 1:
241         return BPSKDetection(bits)
242     elif n == 2:
243         return QAM4Detection(bits)
244     elif n == 3:
245         return PSK8Detection(bits)
246     elif n == 4:
247         return QAM16Detection(bits)
248
249
250 def bit_errors(sent, recieved):
251     error = 0
252     for k in range(len(recieved)):
253         if sent[k] != recieved[k]:
254             error += 1
255     BER = error / len(recieved)
256
257     return BER
258
259
260 def SYM_error(sent, recieved):
261     error = 0
262     for k in range(len(recieved)):
263         if sent[k] != recieved[k]:
264             error += 1
265     SER = error / len(recieved)
266     return SER
267
268
269 #
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270 # Task3
271 #
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272 # SNR= -4
273 # bpsk= 2 , 4QAM=4 , 8psk = 8, 16QAM =16
274 M = 4
275 bits = bits_gen(laterValues) # The size is done at the top of the
    code
276 # Select mapping constellation 1=BPSK , 2=4QAM,3= 8PSK, 4=16QAM

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277 Mode = 2
278 sent = transmission(Mode, bits)
279
280
281 # Recieved=Add_noise(sent,Ax,M,SNR)
282 # Detected,Dbits=detection(Mode,Recieved)
283 # Dbits = [item for sublist in Dbits for item in sublist]
284 # BER=bit_errors(bits,Dbits)
285 # SER= SYM_error(sent,Detected)
286
287
288 def SER_BER(Mode, M, bits, SNR):
289     BER = []
290     SER = []
291     for i in SNR:
292         Recieved = Add_noise(sent, Ax, M, i)
293         Detected, Dbits = detection(Mode, Recieved)
294         Dbits = [item for sublist in Dbits for item in sublist]
295         BER.append(bit_errors(bits, Dbits))
296         SER.append(SYM_error(sent, Detected))
297         # print (i)
298     return BER, SER
299
300
301 SNR = np.linspace(-4, 12, 50)
302 # print(list(SNR))
303 # BER,SER= SER_BER(Mode,M,bits,SNR)
304 # print(BER)

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