# Baseband Digital Transmission Exercises

#### Exercise 1

Consider the digital signal given by:

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} X_k p(t - kT_s)$$
(1)

where  $p(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{T_s}} \cdot \Pi\left(\frac{t}{T_s}\right)$  is a unit-energy square pulse with duration  $T_s$  and  $T_s$  is the signalling interval. Consider also a binary transmission scheme where the symbols  $X_k$  are drawn from an alphabet  $\mathcal{A} = \{A_1, A_2\}$  with equal probability where the symbol value  $A_1$  encodes for the binary digit '1' and the symbol value  $A_2$  encodes for the binary digit '0'. Assume that  $T_s = 1\mu s$ ,  $A_1 = 1$  and  $A_2 = -1$ .

- 1. What is the baud rate (in symbols per second) associated with the digital signal?
- 2. What is the data rate (in bits per second) associated with the digital signal?
- 3. What is the energy conveyed per symbol and the energy conveyed per bit?
- 4. Assume that one wishes to convey the sequence of bits 00111001. Draw the waveform associated with the digital signal.

#### Exercise 2

Consider the digital signal given by:

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} X_k p(t - kT_s)$$
 (2)

where  $p(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{T_s}} \cdot \Pi\left(\frac{t}{T_s}\right)$  is a unit-energy square pulse with duration  $T_s$  and  $T_s$  is the signalling interval. Consider now a quaternary transmission scheme where the symbols  $X_k$  are drawn from an alphabet  $\mathcal{A} = \{A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4\}$  with equal probability where the symbol value  $A_1$  encodes for the binary digits '11', the symbol value  $A_2$  encodes for the binary digits '10', the symbol value  $A_3$  encodes for the binary digits '01', and the symbol value  $A_4$  encodes for the binary digits '00'. Assume that  $T_s = 1\mu s$ ,  $A_1 = 3$ ,  $A_2 = 1$ ,  $A_3 = -1$  and  $A_4 = -3$ .

- 1. What is the baud rate (in symbols per second) associated with the digital signal?
- 2. What is the data rate (in bits per second) associated with the digital signal?

- 3. What is the energy conveyed per symbol and the energy conveyed per bit?
- 4. Assume that one wishes to convey the sequence of bits 00111001. Draw the waveform associated with the digital signal.

#### Exercise 3

Consider the digital signal given by:

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} X_k p(t - kT_s)$$
(3)

where  $p\left(t\right)=\frac{1}{\sqrt{T_s}}\cdot\Pi\left(\frac{t}{T_s}\right)$  is a unit-energy square pulse with duration  $T_s$  and  $T_s$  is the signalling interval. Consider also a binary transmission scheme where the symbols  $X_k$  are drawn from the alphabet  $\mathcal{A}=\{A_1,A_2\}$  with equal probability. Assume that  $T_s=1\mu s$ ,  $A_1=1$  and  $A_2=-1$ .

- 1. Determine the power spectral density of the digital signal. Assume that the sequence of symbols  $\{X_k\}$  is independent.
- 2. Determine the bandwidth of the digital signal.

## Exercise 4

Consider the digital signal given by:

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} X_k p(t - kT_s)$$
(4)

where  $p(t) = \sqrt{T_s} \cdot \text{sinc}\left(\frac{t}{T_s}\right)$  and  $T_s$  is the signalling interval. Consider also a binary transmission scheme where the symbols  $X_k$  are drawn from the alphabet  $\mathcal{A} = \{A_1, A_2\}$  with equal probability. Assume that  $T_s = 1\mu s$ ,  $A_1 = 1$  and  $A_2 = -1$ .

- 1. Determine the power spectral density of the digital signal. Assume that the sequence of symbols  $\{X_k\}$  is independent.
- 2. Determine the bandwidth of the digital signal.

## Exercise 5

Comment on power density spectra associated with Exercise 3 and Exercise 4. What scenarios would you envision for signalling using the signals associated with Exercise 3 or Exercise 4?

## Exercise 6

Consider the digital signal given by:

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} X_k p(t - kT_s)$$
(5)

where  $p(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{T_s}} \cdot \Pi\left(\frac{t}{T_s}\right)$  is a unit-energy square pulse with duration  $T_s$  and  $T_s$  is the signalling interval.

- 1. Assume that one wishes to convey a sequence of independent bits  $\{b_k\}$  where  $b_k$  is either 1 or 0 with equal probability. The sequence of bits  $\{b_k\}$  is mapped to the sequence of symbols  $\{X_k\}$  where  $X_k = 2 \cdot b_k 1$ . What is now the power density spectrum of the digital signal?
- 2. Assume that one also wishes to convey a sequence of independent bits  $\{b_k\}$  where  $b_k$  is either 1 or 0 with equal probability. The sequence of bits  $\{b_k\}$  is mapped to the sequence of symbols  $\{X_k\}$  where  $X_k = b_k b_{k-1}$ . What is now the power density spectrum of the digital signal?
- 3. What scenarios would you envision for signalling using the signals associated with the questions above?

## Exercise 7

What are the advantages and disadvantages of binary digital signalling with respect to M-ary digital signalling? Justify.