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Assignment 1

The objective of this assignment is to experiment with uniform and non-uniform quantization using Matlab

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1. **Implement a uniform scalar quantizer function with the header**

 `q_ind = UniformQuantizer(in_val, n_bits, xmax, m)`,

where `in_val` is a vector with the original samples, `n bits` is the number of bits available to quantize one sample in the quantizer, `xmax` and `m` define the range of the quantizer from $m\Delta/2-xmax$ to $m\Delta/2+xmax$, so that the width of each quantization interval is $\Delta = 2 \times xmax/L$, where L is the number of quantization intervals. `m` defines the mean (or offset) of the quantizer reconstruction levels. Setting $m = 0$ defines a "midrise" quantizer, and `m = 1` gives a "midtread" quantizer. The function should return the index of the chosen quantization level in `q_ind`
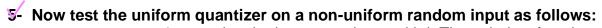
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2. **Implement a uniform scaler de-quantizer function with the header**

   `deq_val=UniformDequantizer(q_ind,n_bits,xmax,m)`

where `deq_val` is the corresponding dequantized value for `q_ind`. The rest of the function parameters (i.e., `n_bits,xmax,m`) are the same as in part 1.

Hint: *The uniform scalar quantizer/dequantizer is a highly structured quantizer. They can be implemented essentially by only a scalar division (no multiplications, comparisons or loops are needed), making the computational complexity independent of the bitrate. Make sure your encoder has a computational complexity independent of the bitrate!*

3. **Test the quantizer/dequantizer functions on a deterministic input** as follows: Generate an input ramp signal **x=-6:0.01:6 and pass it through the** quantizer-dequantizer assuming that n_bits= 3 and $x_{max} = 6$. Plot the input/output signal (on the same graph) for m=0. Repeat (on another graph) for m=1.

4. **Now test your input on a random input signal as follows:**

    a. Generate a sequence of 10,000 independent and identically distributed (i.i.d) continuous uniform random variables between -5 and 5.
    b. Pass each sample through the two implemented functions, and calculate the quantization error using $x_{max} = 5$ and m=0
    c. Calculate the SNR defined as E(input^2)/E(quantization error^2).
    d. Repeat b-c for n_bits=2:1:8,
    e. On the same plot. sketch the simulation and the theoretical SNR (in dB) on the vertical axis vs n_bits on the horizontal axis.

5- **Now test the uniform quantizer on a non-uniform random input as follows:**

    a. repeat part 4 assuming the input samples are i.i.d. The polarity of each sample is random and it takes the value +/- with probability 0.5. The magnitude of each sample follows an exponential distribution with PDF f(x)= e^(-x).

6- **Now quantize the the non-uniform signal using a non-uniform μ law quantizer as follows**

    a. Repeat part 5 using non-uniform μ quantization. Compare the results for $\mu = 0$ (uniform quantization in part 5), 5, 100, 200 (on the same graph).

Hint: *You do not need to alter the uniform quantizer/dequantizer functions, just add a block for expanding the signal before the quantizer and for compressing the signal after the dequantizer*