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1. A certain signal  $s(t)$  assumes the following decomposition

$$s(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} x[k] \phi_k(t), \quad 0 \leq t < NT,$$

where  $x[k] \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $N \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ ,  $T > 0$ , and

$$\phi_k(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{NT}} e^{j \frac{2\pi}{NT} kt}$$

with  $j = \sqrt{-1}$ .

- (a) Show that

$$\int_0^{NT} \phi_k(t) \phi_\ell^*(t) dt = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } k = \ell \\ 0 & \text{if } k \neq \ell \end{cases}$$

where  $(\cdot)^*$  denotes the complex conjugate operator.

**[2.5 marks]**

- (b) Hence show that the total energy content of  $s(t)$  is given by

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$$\mathcal{E} = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} |x[k]|^2.$$

- (c) Show that

**[10 marks]**

$$\sum_{m=0}^{N-1} \phi_k(mT) \phi_\ell^*(mT) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{T} & \text{if } k = \ell \\ 0 & \text{if } k \neq \ell. \end{cases}$$

**[Hint:** You may use the formula  $\sum_{m=0}^{N-1} z^m = \frac{1 - z^N}{1 - z}$ , where  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $z \neq 1$ .]

- (d) Let us now obtain a discrete-time sequence of length  $N$  from the continuous-time signal  $s(t)$  through sampling. In particular, the discrete-time sequence  $s[m]$  can be written as

$$s[m] = s(mT), \quad m = 0, 1, \dots, N-1.$$

Show that

[10 marks]

$$x[\ell] = T \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} s[m] \phi_\ell^*(mT), \quad \ell = 0, 1, \dots, N-1.$$

2. Assume that a set  $\{\boldsymbol{\theta}_i\}$  of  $M$  equally likely real vectors satisfies the equations

$$\boldsymbol{\theta}_i^T \boldsymbol{\theta}_\ell = \begin{cases} 1 & i = \ell \\ \rho & i \neq \ell. \end{cases}$$

- (a) Prove that  $-\frac{1}{M-1} \leq \rho \leq 1$ . [Hint: Consider  $\left| \sum_{k=1}^M \boldsymbol{\theta}_k \right|^2$ .] [5 marks]
- (b) Show that the left-hand equality (i.e.,  $\rho = -\frac{1}{M-1}$ ) is achieved by the unit average energy simplex set.<sup>1</sup> [10 marks]
- (c) Prove for any allowable  $\rho$  that the signal set  $\{\mathbf{s}_i\}$ , with  $\mathbf{s}_i = \sqrt{E_\rho} \boldsymbol{\theta}_i$  for all  $i$ , has the same error probability as the simplex signal set with energy [10 marks]

$$E_s = E_\rho \left( 1 - \frac{1}{M} \right) (1 - \rho).$$

[Hint: First, determine the minimum energy set corresponding to the set  $\{\boldsymbol{\theta}_i\}$ . Then show that up to a scaling factor the minimum energy set and the simplex set have the same geometry.]

3. One of the two equally likely signals  $s_0 = -1$ ,  $s_1 = 1$  is transmitted over a certain AWGN channel as shown in Fig. 1. The two noise random variables  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  are statistically independent of the transmitted signal and of each other. Consequently, we can write the received signals, for  $i = 0, 1$ , as

$$\begin{aligned} r_1 &= h_1 s_i + n_1 \\ r_2 &= h_2 s_i + n_2. \end{aligned}$$

Now it is convenient to rewrite the above equations in vector form as

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{r}} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} h_1 \\ h_2 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{h}} s_i + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} n_1 \\ n_2 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{n}},$$

which in turn gives

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<sup>1</sup>Given a set of  $M$  equally likely *orthogonal* vectors  $\{\boldsymbol{\beta}_i\}$ , the set  $\{\boldsymbol{\beta}_i - \mathbf{a}\}$  with  $\mathbf{a} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{k=1}^M \boldsymbol{\beta}_k$  is known as the *simplex* set.

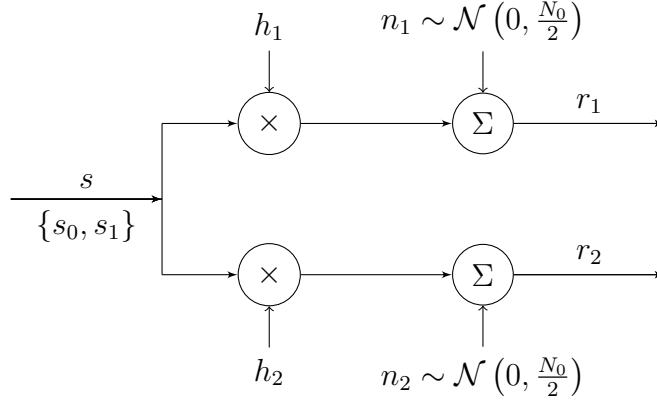


Figure 1: A diversity communication system.

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{h}s_i + \mathbf{n}, \quad i = 0, 1,$$

where  $\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 1}$ , and  $\mathbf{n} \sim \mathcal{N}_2(\mathbf{0}, \frac{N_0}{2} \mathbf{I}_2)$  with  $\mathbf{I}_2$  denoting the  $2 \times 2$  identity matrix.

(a) Show that the optimum MAP decision rule is given by

$$\mathbf{r}^T \mathbf{h} \underset{s_0}{\overset{s_1}{\geq}} 0$$

and draw the corresponding decision boundary on  $(r_1, r_2)$  plane. [5 marks]

(b) Show that

$$\mathbf{r}^T \mathbf{h} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{\mathbf{h}}, \sigma_{\mathbf{h}}^2)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{\mathbf{h}} &= \mathbb{E}\{\mathbf{r}^T \mathbf{h}\} = \|\mathbf{h}\|^2 \\ \sigma_{\mathbf{h}}^2 &= \text{Var}(\mathbf{r}^T \mathbf{h}) = \mathbb{E}\left\{(\mathbf{r}^T \mathbf{h} - \|\mathbf{h}\|^2)^2\right\} = \frac{N_0}{2} \|\mathbf{h}\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

with  $\|\cdot\|$  denoting the Euclidean norm. [10 marks]

(c) Hence show that the BER is given by

$$\text{Pr}(\varepsilon) = \mathcal{Q}\left(\sqrt{2 \frac{\|\mathbf{h}\|^2}{N_0}}\right)$$

where  $\mathcal{Q}(z)$  denotes the Gaussian-Q function.<sup>2</sup> [5 marks]

(d) Explain how the coherent BPSK BER formula is related to the above BER result. [5 marks]

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<sup>2</sup>  $\mathcal{Q}(z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_z^\infty e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}} dt$ .

4. (a) A transmitter uses the signals  $\{s_i(t)\}$  to communicate one of 4 equally likely messages over an AWGN channel, where for  $i = 0, 1, 2, 3$

$$s_i(t) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{\frac{2}{T}} \cos\left(2\pi\frac{t}{T} + \frac{\pi i}{2}\right), & 0 \leq t < T \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

Moreover, we adopt the following mapping to map bits to message waveforms:

$$(0, 0) \mapsto s_0(t) \quad (0, 1) \mapsto s_1(t) \quad (1, 1) \mapsto s_2(t) \quad (1, 0) \mapsto s_3(t)$$

where the bit interval  $T_b$  is related to the symbol interval via  $T = 2T_b$ . Now consider the binary sequence  $\mathcal{S} = \{1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0\}$ . Plot the sequence of signals (waveforms) corresponding to the binary sequence  $\mathcal{S}$  for  $0 \leq t < 8T$ . **[5 marks]**

- (b) A certain quaternary minimum-shift keying (MSK) waveform can be written as

$$s(t) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{T}} \cos\left(2\pi\frac{t}{T} + \Phi_n(t)\right), \quad nT \leq t \leq (n+1)T$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_n(t) &= \frac{\pi}{2} \underbrace{\sum_{k=-\infty}^{n-1} X_k}_{\theta_n} + \frac{\pi}{2} X_n \left(\frac{t}{T} - 1\right) \\ &= \theta_n + \frac{\pi}{2} X_n \left(\frac{t}{T} - 1\right) \end{aligned}$$

and each  $X_k \in \{-3, -1, +1, +3\}$  is chosen according to the mapping

$$(0, 0) \mapsto -3 \quad (0, 1) \mapsto -1 \quad (1, 1) \mapsto +1 \quad (1, 0) \mapsto +3.$$

Draw the quaternary MSK phase trajectory (i.e.,  $\Phi_n(t)$  vs.  $t$ ) corresponding to the binary sequence  $\mathcal{S}$  for  $0 \leq t \leq 8T$ . **[10 marks]**

- (c) Plot the quaternary MSK waveform corresponding to the binary sequence  $\mathcal{S}$  for  $0 \leq t \leq 8T$ . **[10 marks]**