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Tutorial 3

Task 2.15

Hints

Follow the instructions given in the task.

Task 2.17

Task

Consider a pulse $s(t) = \text{sinc}(at) \text{sinc}(bt)$ where $a \geq b$.

- a. Sketch the spectrum $S(f)$ of the pulse.
- b. Suppose that the pulse is to be used over an ideal real baseband channel with one-sided bandwidth 400 Hz. Determine a and b such that the pulse is Nyquist for 4-PAM at 1200 b/s and exactly fills the channel bandwidth.
- c. Now, suppose that the pulse is to be used over a passband channel spanning the frequency band 2.4–2.42 GHz. Assuming that we use 64-QAM at 60 Mb/s, determine a and b so that the pulse is Nyquist and exactly fills the channel bandwidth.
- d. Sketch an argument showing that the magnitude of the transmitted waveform in the preceding settings is always finite.

Solution

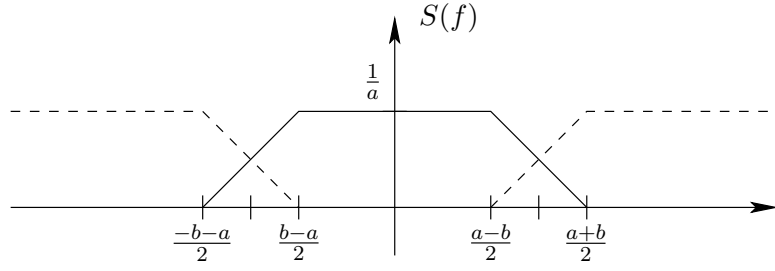
- a. Define the signals

$$\begin{aligned} s_1(t) &= \text{sinc}(at), \\ s_2(t) &= \text{sinc}(bt). \end{aligned}$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} S_1(f) &= \frac{1}{a} I_{\{|f| < a/2\}}(f), \\ S_2(f) &= \frac{1}{b} I_{\{|f| < b/2\}}(f), \\ S(f) &= (S_1 * S_2)(f). \end{aligned}$$

The convolution results in the following graph, where also frequency-shifted versions according to Poisson are included.



- b. We have the bit rate $R = 1200$ b/s and the alphabet size $M = 4$. The symbol rate $1/T$ is then given by

$$\frac{1}{T} = \frac{R}{\log_2(M)} = 600 \text{ symbols/s.}$$

This is our sampling frequency.

To fulfill the bandwidth demand, we have

$$\frac{a+b}{2} = 400 \text{ Hz}$$

To fulfill the Nyquist criterion (consider the frequency domain, eq. (2.80) in the text book), we must have

$$\frac{a+b}{2} + \frac{a-b}{2} = 600 \text{ Hz.}$$

The solution to these two equations is $a = 600$ Hz and $b = 200$ Hz.

- c. We have a passband system with bandwidth 20 MHz, bit rate $R = 60$ Mb/s and alphabet size $M = 64$. The symbol rate $1/T$ is then given by

$$\frac{1}{T} = \frac{R}{\log_2(M)} = 10 \text{ Msymbols/s}$$

The one-sided bandwidth of the corresponding baseband system is 10 MHz. This time, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a+b}{2} &= 10 \text{ MHz} \\ \frac{a+b}{2} + \frac{a-b}{2} &= 10 \text{ MHz} \end{aligned}$$

with solution $a = b = 10$ MHz.

- d. Both $s_1(t)$ and $s_2(t)$ falls as $1/|t|$. Thus, $s(t)$ falls as $1/t^2$. The absolute value of the total signal is then bounded by the sum $\sum \frac{A}{(kT)^2}$, where A is proportional to the maximum symbol energy, and this sum is finite. So, the absolute value of the total signal is finite.

Task 2.18**Hints**

Check the definitions of Nyquist and square-root Nyquist.

Answer

- a. True (Because $p(kT) = \delta_{k0}$)
- b. False (For $p(t)$ to be square root Nyquist, we must have $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} p(t)p^*(t - kT)dt = 0$. It is easy to see that it is not true for $k = 1$).

Task 2.25**Hints**

Write down the complex envelopes \tilde{s}_0 and \tilde{s}_1 of s_0 and s_1 w.r.t frequency reference respectively. We know that

$$\langle s_0, s_1 \rangle = \text{Re}\{\langle \tilde{s}_0, \tilde{s}_1 \rangle\}$$

and compute the $\text{Re}\{\langle \tilde{s}_0, \tilde{s}_1 \rangle\}$. Then, find the minimum frequency separation for $\phi_0 = \phi_1 = 0$ and for arbitrary ϕ_0 and ϕ_1 .

Answer

- a. $\|f_0 - f_1\| = 1/2T$
- b. $\|f_0 - f_1\| = 1/T$

Task 2.26**Task**

- a. Specify the Walsh-Hadamard codes for 8-ary orthogonal signaling with non-coherent reception.
- b. Plot the baseband waveforms corresponding to sending these codes using a square root raised cosine pulse with excess bandwidth of 50 %.
- c. What is the fractional increase in the bandwidth efficiency if we use these waveforms as building blocks for biorthogonal signaling with coherent reception?

Solution

- a. To make the matrices below more readable, let + denote 1 and let - denote -1. The Walsh-Hadamard codes are given by the relations

$$H_0 = (+), \quad H_m = \left(\frac{H_{m-1}}{H_{m-1}} \middle| \frac{H_{m-1}}{-H_{m-1}} \right), \quad \text{for } m > 0.$$

Thus, we have

$$H_1 = \left(\frac{+}{+} \middle| \frac{+}{-} \right), \quad H_2 = \left(\frac{+ \ + \ + \ +}{+ \ - \ + \ -} \middle| \frac{+ \ +}{+ \ -} \right),$$

$$H_3 = \left(\frac{+ \ + \ + \ +}{+ \ - \ + \ -} \middle| \frac{+ \ + \ + \ +}{- \ - \ - \ -} \right)$$

The eight rows are then used as signals.

- b. Omitted.
- c. We note that the eight signals are orthogonal. Thus, we need $N = 8$ dimensions for octal signaling ($M = 8$) and the bandwidth efficiency is then

$$\frac{\log_2(M)}{N} = \frac{3}{8}$$

At bi-orthogonal signaling we have two antipodal signals per dimension. Thus, we have $M = 16$ signals. Using coherent detection, it is enough with $N = 8$ dimensions, and the bandwidth efficiency is then

$$\frac{\log_2(M)}{N} = \frac{4}{8}$$

The increase in percent is then given by

$$\frac{4/8 - 3/8}{3/8} = \frac{1}{3},$$

i.e. 33 %.

Task 2.27

Task

We wish to send at a rate of 10Mb/s over a passband channel. Assuming that an excess bandwidth of 50% is used, how much bandwidth is needed for each of the following schemes: QPSK, 64-QAM and 64-ary noncoherent orthogonal modulation using a Walsh-Hadamard code?

Solution

Let R_b be the wanted data rate, i.e. $R_b = 10$ Mb/s. The smallest possible bandwidth B_{\min} is given by the Nyquist criterion as

$$B_{\min} = \frac{R_b}{\eta_B},$$

where η_B is the bandwidth efficiency expressed in bits/symbol/dimension, and we are supposed to use 50% excess bandwidth. Our bandwidth is therefore

$$B = \frac{3}{2}B_{\min} = \frac{3R_b}{2\eta_B}.$$

The bandwidth efficiency is defined as

$$\eta_B = \frac{\log_2(M)}{D},$$

where M is the number of signals in the constellation and D is the number of complex dimensions that are spanned by the signals. Totally, this gives us the bandwidth

$$B = \frac{3R_b D}{2 \log_2(M)}.$$

QPSK Here we have $M = 4$ and $D = 1$.

$$B = \frac{3R_b D}{2 \log_2(M)} = 7.5 \text{ MHz.}$$

64-QAM Here we have $M = 64$ and $D = 1$.

$$B = \frac{3R_b D}{2 \log_2(M)} = 2.5 \text{ MHz.}$$

64-Walsh-Hadamard Here we have $M = 64$. Non-coherent detection means that we need one complex dimension per orthogonal signal. Thus, we have $D = 64$.

$$B = \frac{3R_b D}{2 \log_2(M)} = 160 \text{ MHz.}$$

Task 2.29**Hints**

Read up on DPSK. The information is represented by the phase differences.

a. According to Figure 2.22, the information bits 00, 10, 11, 01 corresponds to phase shift $0, \pi/2, \pi, -\pi/2$, respectively. Let $\theta(n) \in \{\pm\pi/4, \pm3\pi/4\}$ (or alternatively $\theta(n) \in \{\pi/4, 3\pi/4, 5\pi/4, 7\pi/4\}$).

Solution: $-\pi/4, 3\pi/4, \pi/4, 3\pi/4, -3\pi/4, 3\pi/4, -\pi/4, -\pi/4, -3\pi/4, \pi/4$

b. $r[2]r^*[1] = 1 + 3j$. Its argument is closest to a phase difference of $\pi/2$, which corresponds to information bits 10. This would be an error, since the sent bits are 11 at time instant $n = 2$.

Tutorial 4

Task 5.1

Task

Consider a digitally modulated system using QPSK at bit rate $2/T$. The transmit filter, channel and receive filter have the following impulse responses.

$$\begin{aligned} g_{\text{TX}}(t) &= I_{\{0 \leq t < T/2\}}(t) - I_{\{T/2 \leq t < T\}}(t), \\ g_{\text{C}}(t) &= \delta(t) - \frac{1}{2} \delta\left(t - \frac{T}{2}\right), \\ g_{\text{RX}}(t) &= I_{\{0 \leq t < T/2\}}(t). \end{aligned}$$

Let $z[k]$ denote the receive filter output sampled at time instance $kT_s + \tau$, where T_s is a sampling interval to be chosen.

- Show that ML sequence detection using the samples $\{z[k]\}$ is possible, given an appropriate choice of T_s and τ . Specify the corresponding choice of T_s and τ .
- How many states are needed in the trellis for implementing ML sequence detection using the Viterbi algorithm?

Solution

Let $p(t)$ be the total impulse response of the cascade of the sender filter and the channel i.e.

$$p(t) = (g_{\text{TX}} * g_{\text{C}})(t) = I_{\{0 \leq t < \frac{T}{2}\}}(t) - \frac{3}{2} I_{\{\frac{T}{2} \leq t < T\}}(t) + \frac{1}{2} I_{\{T \leq t < \frac{3T}{2}\}}(t)$$

Its matched filter is then

$$p_{\text{MF}}(t) = p^*(-t) = I_{\{0 < -t < \frac{T}{2}\}}(t) - \frac{3}{2} I_{\{\frac{T}{2} < -t < T\}}(t) + \frac{1}{2} I_{\{T < -t < \frac{3T}{2}\}}(t)$$

Furthermore, let $y(t)$ denote the output from the channel. We have the bit rate $2/T$. In QPSK, we have $M = 4$ signals, 2 bits ($\log_2(M)$) per symbol. Thus, we have the symbol rate $1/T$.

- The optimal (ML) case is if we use $h_{\text{MF}}(t)$ as our receiver filter. Let $z_0[n]$ be the output from that filter, sampled in the time instances nT . Then we have

$$z_0[n] = (y * p_{\text{MF}})(nT) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y(t) p_{\text{MF}}(nT - t) dt.$$

The actual output from the receiver filter, sampled in the time instances $kT_s + \tau$ for all integers k is given by

$$z[k] = (y * g_{\text{RX}})(kT_s + \tau) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y(t) g_{\text{RX}}(kT_s + \tau - t) dt.$$

With $\tau = 0$ and $T_s = T/2$ we get

$$z[k] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y(t) g_{\text{RX}}\left(k\frac{T}{2} - t\right) dt.$$

Furthermore, we have

$$h_{\text{MF}}(t) = g_{\text{RX}}\left(t + \frac{T}{2}\right) - \frac{3}{2} g_{\text{RX}}(t + T) + \frac{1}{2} g_{\text{RX}}\left(t + \frac{3T}{2}\right),$$

which can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} p_{\text{MF}}(nT - t) &= \\ &= g_{\text{RX}}\left((2n+1)\frac{T}{2} - t\right) - \frac{3}{2} g_{\text{RX}}\left((2n+2)\frac{T}{2} - t\right) + \frac{1}{2} g_{\text{RX}}\left((2n+3)\frac{T}{2} - t\right) \end{aligned}$$

From the above, we draw the conclusion that

$$z_0[n] = z[2n+1] - \frac{3}{2}z[2n+2] + \frac{1}{2}z[2n+3]$$

holds.

- b.** The number of required states is M^L , where L is the memory length. The finite memory condition is

$$h[n] = 0, |n| > L.$$

It is clear that here we have

$$h[n] = 0, |n| > 1.$$

Thus, $L = 1$. The number of needed states is then

$$M^L = 4^1 = 4.$$

Task 5.2

Hints

- a.** The minimum required bandwidth $B_{\min} = R_b/\eta_B$, where $\eta_B = \log_2(M)/D$.
- b.** To have the minimum number of states, we need to sample in the time instances $(k + \frac{1}{2})T$. In this case $L = 2$.

Answer

- a.** The minimum required bandwidth is 2 MHz
- b.** We need 64 states.

Task 5.3

Task

For BPSK- (± 1) signaling in the standard MLSE setting, suppose that the channel memory is $L = 1$, with $h[0] = 1$ and $h[1] = -0.3$.

- What is the maximum pairwise error probability, as a function of the received E_b/N_0 , for two bit sequences that differ only in the first two bits? Express your answer in terms of the Q function.
- Plot the transfer function bound (log scale) as a function of E_b/N_0 (dB). Also plot the error probability of BPSK without ISI for comparison.

Solution

- The pairwise error probability is according to page 233 given by

$$P_e = Q\left(\frac{\|s(b + 2e) - s(b)\|}{2\sigma}\right),$$

where $s(b)$ is the signal corresponding to the bit sequence b , i.e.

$$s(b) = \sum_n b[n]p(t - nT),$$

where $p(t)$ is the used pulse. Furthermore, $\sigma^2 = N_0/2$ is the PSD of the noise and e is a valid error sequence. According to the reasoning on page 233, we also have

$$\begin{aligned} P_e &= Q\left(\frac{\|s(e)\|}{\sigma}\right) = Q\left(\sqrt{\frac{h[0]e^2[1] + h[0]e^2[2] + 2h[1]e[2]e[1]}{\sigma^2}}\right) \\ &= Q\left(\sqrt{\frac{2h[0] + 2h[1]e[2]e[1]}{\sigma^2}}\right), \end{aligned}$$

where we have used the fact that the error sequence is non-zero only in the first two positions. Since the Q function is strictly decreasing, the expression is maximized when the nominator inside the square root is minimized. We have four alternatives, namely

$$\begin{array}{ll} (e[1], e[2]) = (1, 1) : & 2h[0] + 2h[1]e[2]e[1] = 2h[0] + 2h[1] = 1.4 \\ (e[1], e[2]) = (1, -1) : & 2h[0] + 2h[1]e[2]e[1] = 2h[0] - 2h[1] = 2.6 \\ (e[1], e[2]) = (-1, 1) : & 2h[0] + 2h[1]e[2]e[1] = 2h[0] - 2h[1] = 2.6 \\ (e[1], e[2]) = (-1, -1) : & 2h[0] + 2h[1]e[2]e[1] = 2h[0] + 2h[1] = 1.4 \end{array}$$

Then we have

$$P_{e,\max} = Q\left(\sqrt{\frac{2h[0] + 2h[1]}{\sigma^2}}\right) = Q\left(\sqrt{4 \frac{E_b}{N_0} \left(1 + \frac{h[1]}{h[0]}\right)}\right) = Q\left(\sqrt{2.8 \frac{E_b}{N_0}}\right),$$

where we have used that we have the bit energy

$$E_b = h[0]E\{|b[n]|^2\} = h[0].$$

- b. This task is almost identical to Example 5.8.2 on pages 238–240. We have the same coefficients as we have there, i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 &= e^{-\frac{h[0]}{2\sigma^2}} = e^{-\frac{E_b}{N_0}}, \\ a_1 &= e^{-\frac{h[0]+2h[1]}{2\sigma^2}} = e^{-\frac{E_b}{N_0}\left(1+\frac{2h[1]}{h[0]}\right)} = e^{-0.4\frac{E_b}{N_0}}, \\ a_2 &= e^{-\frac{h[0]-2h[1]}{2\sigma^2}} = e^{-\frac{E_b}{N_0}\left(1-\frac{2h[1]}{h[0]}\right)} = e^{-1.6\frac{E_b}{N_0}}. \end{aligned}$$

We also have the same error probability expression as we have there,

$$P_e \leq \frac{\frac{1}{2}a_0}{\left[1 - \frac{1}{2}(a_1 + a_2)\right]^2} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}e^{-\frac{E_b}{N_0}}}{\left[1 - \frac{1}{2}\left(e^{-0.4\frac{E_b}{N_0}} + e^{-1.6\frac{E_b}{N_0}}\right)\right]^2}$$

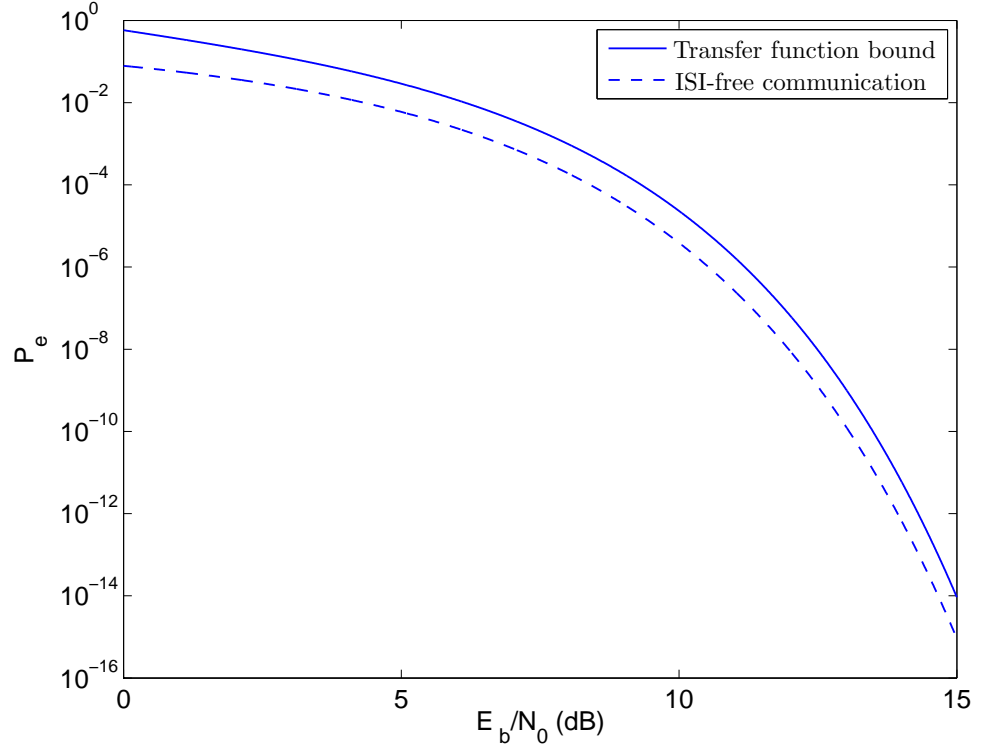
For ISI-free communication, $\vec{e} = (\pm 1, 0, \dots)$

$$\|s(\vec{e})\|^2 = h[0]e^2[1] = h[0].$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} P_e &\leq Q\left(\sqrt{\frac{h[0]}{\sigma^2}}\right) \\ &= Q\left(\sqrt{\frac{2E_b}{N_0}}\right). \end{aligned}$$

A plot of these two:



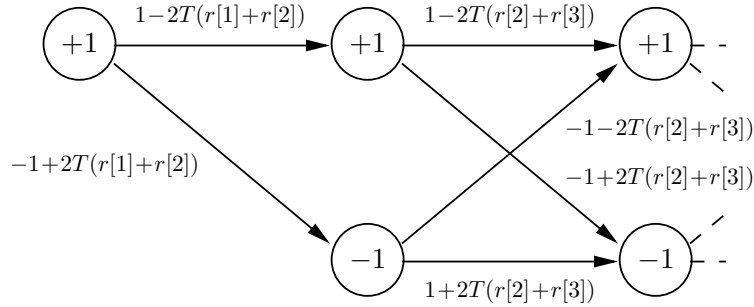
Task 5.4

Hints

- Simply check the Nyquist criterion.
- Be inspired by task 5.1.
- Start with the usual metric in Equation 5.13 on page 206, which is to be maximized, and make use of the fact that all involved signals are real valued. Determine $h[0]$ and $h[1]$ for the given situation. ($h[n] = 0$, for $|n| > 1$) Simplify the metric, remove unnecessary constants and change its sign such that the maximization is replaced by minimization.
- Use the definitions on pages 236–237.

Answer

- No, the pulse is not Nyquist.
- Choose $Ts = T$ and $\tau = T/2$. $Z_{\text{MF}}[n] = 1/2(r[n] + r[n+1])$
- Metric: $m_n(b[n], s[n]) = b[n] \left(b[n-1] - 2T(r[n] + r[n+1]) \right)$



- $\eta = 1$

Task 5.6

Task

We would like to develop a model for simulating the symbol rate sampled matched filter outputs for linear modulation through a dispersive channel. I.e. we wish to generate the samples $Z[k] = (Y * p_{\text{MF}})(kT)$ for $Y(t) = \sum_n B[n]p(t - nT) + W(t)$, where $p_{\text{MF}}(t)$ is matched to $p(t)$ and where $W(t)$ is complex WGN.

- Show that the signal contribution Z_s to $Z[k]$ can be written as

$$Z_s[k] = \sum_n B[n]h[k-n] = (B * h)[k],$$

where we have $h[l] = (p * p_{\text{MF}})(lT)$.

- b. Not part of the plan** Show that the noise contribution $Z_W[k]$ to $Z[k]$ is WSS, proper complex Gaussian random process with zero mean and covariance function

$$C_{Z_W}[k] = E \{Z_W[l]Z_W^*[k-l]\} = 2\sigma^2 h[k].$$

For real-valued symbols, signals and noise, $h[k]$ are real and

$$C_{Z_W}[k] = E \{Z_W[l]Z_W[k-l]\} = \sigma^2 h[k].$$

- c.** Now specialize to the running example in Figure 5.1, with BPSK signaling ($B[n] \in \{\pm 1\}$). We can now restrict Y , p and W to be real-valued. Show that the result of **a** specializes to

$$Z_s = \frac{3}{2}B[k] - \frac{1}{2}(B[k+1] + B[k-1]).$$

Show that the result of **b** specializes to

$$R_{Z_W}[z] = \sigma^2 \left(\frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2}(z + z^{-1}) \right), Task$$

where the PSD $R_{Z_W}[z]$ is the z -transform of $C_{Z_W}[k]$.

- d.** Suppose that $W[k]$ are i.i.d. $N(0, 1)$ random variables. Show that this discrete-time WGN sequence can be filtered to generate $Z_W[k]$ as follows:

$$Z_W[k] = g[0]W[k] + g[1]W[k-1].$$

Find the coefficients $g[0]$ and $g[1]$ such that $Z_W[k]$ has statistics as specified in **c**.

Hint: Factorize $R_{Z_W}[z] = (a + bz)(a + bz^{-1})$ by finding the roots, and use one of the factors to specify the filter.

- e. Not part of the plan** Use the results in **a-d** to simulate the performance of MLSE for the running example. Compare the resulting BER (Bit-Error Rate) with that obtained using the transfer function bound.

Solution

- a. Let $Y_s(t)$ be the contribution of the signal to $Y(t)$, i.e.

$$Y_s(t) = \sum_n B[n]p(t - nT).$$

Then $Z_s[k]$ can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} Z_s[k] &= (Y_s * p_{\text{MF}})(kT) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_n B[n]p(t - nT)p_{\text{MF}}(kT - t) dt \\ &= \sum_n B[n] \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(t - nT)p_{\text{MF}}(kT - t) dt. \end{aligned}$$

The variable substitution $\tau = t - nT$ gives us

$$\begin{aligned} Z_s[k] &= \sum_n B[n] \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(\tau)p_{\text{MF}}((k - n)T - \tau) d\tau = \sum_n B[n](p * p_{\text{MF}})((k - n)T) \\ &= \sum_n B[n]h[k - n] = (B * h)[k], \end{aligned}$$

which is what was supposed to be shown.

- b. A linear transformation on complex WGN results in a proper Gaussian random process (Chapter 4). Wide-sense stationarity is preserved as described in Appendix A.
- c. For the example in Figure 5.1, we have (according to the box on page 205)

$$h[k] = \begin{cases} 3/2, & k = 0, \\ -1/2, & |k| = 1, \\ 0, & \text{else,} \end{cases}$$

Consequently, we have

$$\begin{aligned} Z_s &= \sum_n B[n]h[k - n] = h[1]B[k - 1] + h[0]B[k] + h[-1]B[k + 1] \\ &= \frac{3}{2}B[k] - \frac{1}{2}(B[k + 1] + B[k - 1]). \end{aligned}$$

We have real-valued entities, which gives us the covariance function

$$C_{Z_W}[k] = \sigma^2 h[k]$$

according to **b**. With our $h[k]$, this becomes

$$C_{Z_W}[k] = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{2}\sigma^2, & k = 0, \\ -\frac{1}{2}\sigma^2, & |k| = 1, \\ 0, & \text{else,} \end{cases}$$

Then we have the z -transform

$$R_{Z_W}[z] = \sum_k C_{Z_W}[k]z^{-k} = \sigma^2 \left(\frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2}(z + z^{-1}) \right).$$

which is what was supposed to be shown.

d. We want to factorize $R_{Z_W}[z]$ on the form

$$R_{Z_W}[z] = (a + bz)(a^* + b^*z^{-1}).$$

Then we can use one such factor as the transfer function of a filter. That filter has the correct output according to the super formula. The first factor corresponds to a non-causal filter, while the second factor corresponds to a causal filter. Of course, we choose the second one. We solve the related quadratic equation

$$-\frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{3}{2}x - \frac{1}{2} = 0,$$

which has the two roots

$$\begin{aligned} x_0 &= \frac{3 - \sqrt{5}}{2}, \\ x_1 &= \frac{3 + \sqrt{5}}{2} = x_0^{-1}, \end{aligned}$$

and we have the factorization

$$z^2 - 3z + 1 = (z - x_0^{-1})(z - x_0).$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} R_{Z_W}[z] &= \sigma^2 \left(\frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2}(z + z^{-1}) \right) = -\frac{\sigma^2}{2}z^{-1}(z^2 - 3z + 1) \\ &= \frac{\sigma^2}{2}(x_0^{-1} - z)(1 - x_0z^{-1}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{2x_0}(1 - x_0z)(1 - x_0z^{-1}) \\ &= \left(\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{2x_0}} - \frac{\sigma}{2}\sqrt{2x_0}z \right) \left(\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{2x_0}} - \frac{\sigma}{2}\sqrt{2x_0}z^{-1} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we get

$$\begin{aligned} a &= \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{2x_0}} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{3 - \sqrt{5}}} \\ b &= -\frac{\sigma}{2}\sqrt{3 - \sqrt{5}} \end{aligned}$$

The causal filter has the transfer function

$$G[z] = a^* + b^*z^{-1} = a + bz^{-1}$$

and impulse response

$$g[n] = a\delta[n] + b\delta[n-1] = \begin{cases} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{3 - \sqrt{5}}}, & n = 0, \\ -\frac{\sigma}{2}\sqrt{3 - \sqrt{5}}, & n = 1, \\ 0, & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

e. —