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## Q.1

(a)

The codeword is in error when there are more than  $e$  errors

$\Rightarrow$

$$P_{codeerror} = \sum_{j=e+1}^n \binom{n}{j} p^j (1-p)^{n-j}$$

(b)

The most significant term in  $P_{codeerror}$  is the first one.i.e when  $j = e + 1$

$\Rightarrow$

$$P_{codeerror} \approx \binom{n}{e+1} p^{e+1} (1-p)^{n-e-1}$$

For small  $p$  and  $N < 100$   $1 - p \approx 1$

$\Rightarrow$

$$P_{codeerror} \approx \binom{n}{e+1} p^{e+1}$$

(c) Bit Error Rate

$$P(biterror|codeerror) \approx \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(biterror) = P(biterror|codeerror)P_{codeerror} + P(biterror|Nocodeerror)P(Nocodeerror)$$

Since  $P(biterror|Nocodeerror) = 0$

$$P_{biterror} = P(biterror|codeerror)P_{codeerror}$$

$$P_{biterror} \approx \frac{1}{2} P_{codeerror}$$

$$P_{biterror} \approx \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=e+1}^n \binom{n}{j} p^j (1-p)^{n-j}$$

(d)

**BER for [1,1,0]**

It is the same as sending a single bit across the channel hence, BER is the same as the channel bit rate

$$\implies P_{bitererror} = p$$

$$p = 0.01 \implies P_{bitererror} = 0.01$$

$$p = 0.001 \implies P_{bitererror} = 0.001$$

$$p = 10^{-6} \implies P_{bitererror} = 10^{-6}$$

**BER for [7,4,1]**

$$\begin{aligned} P_{bitererror} &= \frac{1}{2} P_{codeerror} \\ P_{bitererror} &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1+1}^7 \binom{7}{j} p^j (1-p)^{7-j} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (1 - \sum_{j=0}^1 \binom{7}{j} p^j (1-p)^{7-j}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (1 - \binom{7}{0} (1-p)^7 - \binom{7}{1} (1-p)^6) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (1 - (1-p)^7 - 7(1-p)^6) \end{aligned}$$

$$p = 0.01 \implies P_{bitererror} = \frac{1}{2} (1 - (1 - 0.01)^7 - 7(1 - 0.01)^6) = 0.001$$

$$p = 0.001 \implies P_{bitererror} = \frac{1}{2} (1 - (1 - 0.001)^7 - 7(1 - 0.001)^6) = 1.04x10^{-5}$$

$$p = 10^{-6} \implies P_{bitererror} = \frac{1}{2} (1 - (1 - 10^{-6})^7 - 7(1 - 10^{-6})^6) = 1.05x10^{-11}$$

(e)

[1,1,0] has the same bit error rate as the channel

$$\implies p = 10^{-6}$$

For [7,4,1]

$$\begin{aligned} P_{bitererror} &= \frac{1}{2} P_{codeerror} \\ P_{bitererror} &= \frac{1}{2} \binom{n}{e+1} p^{e+1} = 10^{-6} \\ \implies p^{e+1} &= \frac{2x10^{-6}}{\binom{n}{e+1}} \end{aligned}$$

$$p^2 = \frac{2x10^{-6}}{\binom{7}{2}}$$

$$p = \sqrt{\frac{2x10^{-6}}{\binom{7}{2}}}$$

$$p = 3.08x10^{-4}$$

## Q.2

(a) Compute the MAP and MLE decision boundaries

we can get the MAP decision boundary by finding such that

$$\frac{f_{r|0}p(0)}{f_{r|1}p(1)} > 1 \quad (1)$$

$$f_{r|0} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x+a)^2}{2}} \quad (2)$$

$$f_{r|1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-a)^2}{2}} \quad (3)$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\frac{e^{-\frac{(r-a)^2}{2}}(1-p)}{e^{-\frac{(r+a)^2}{2}}p} > 1$$

$$e^{\frac{-(r-a)^2 + (r+a)^2}{2}} > \frac{p}{1-p}$$

$$e^{-2ar} > \frac{p}{1-p}$$

$$-2ar > \ln \frac{p}{1-p}$$

$$r < \frac{-1}{2a} \ln \frac{p}{1-p}$$

$$r < \frac{1}{2a} \ln \frac{1-p}{p}$$

That means when  $r < \frac{1}{2a} \ln \frac{1-p}{p}$  we interpret it as 0 else we interpret it as a 1.

$MLE = MAP$  when  $p = 1 - p$

$\Rightarrow$

$$r < \frac{1}{2a} \ln \frac{p}{p} \Rightarrow r < 0$$

So the MLE decision boundary is  $r = 0$

(b)

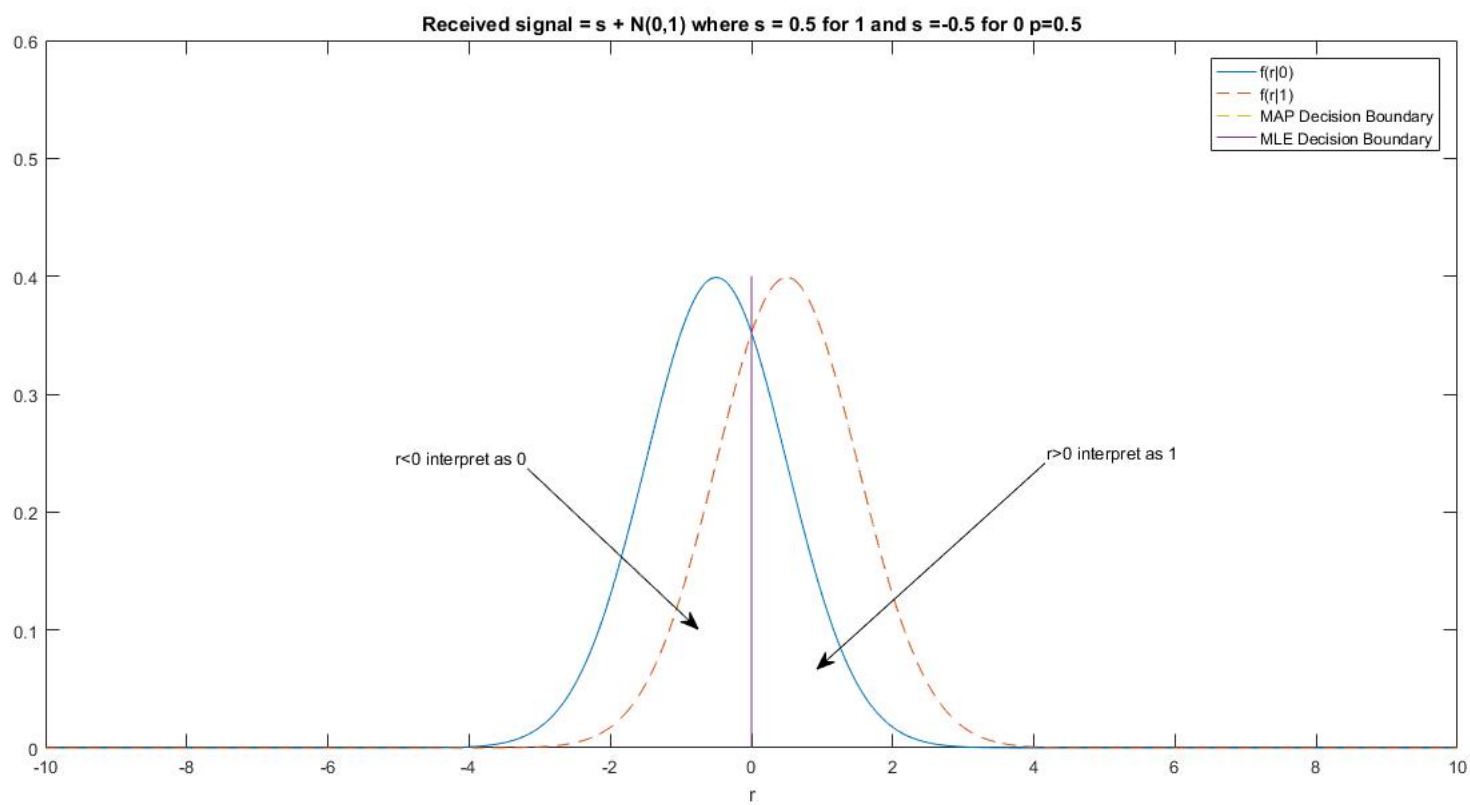


Figure 1: pdf of  $r$  , MAP and MLE decision boundaries when  $p = 0.5$  and  $a = 0.5$

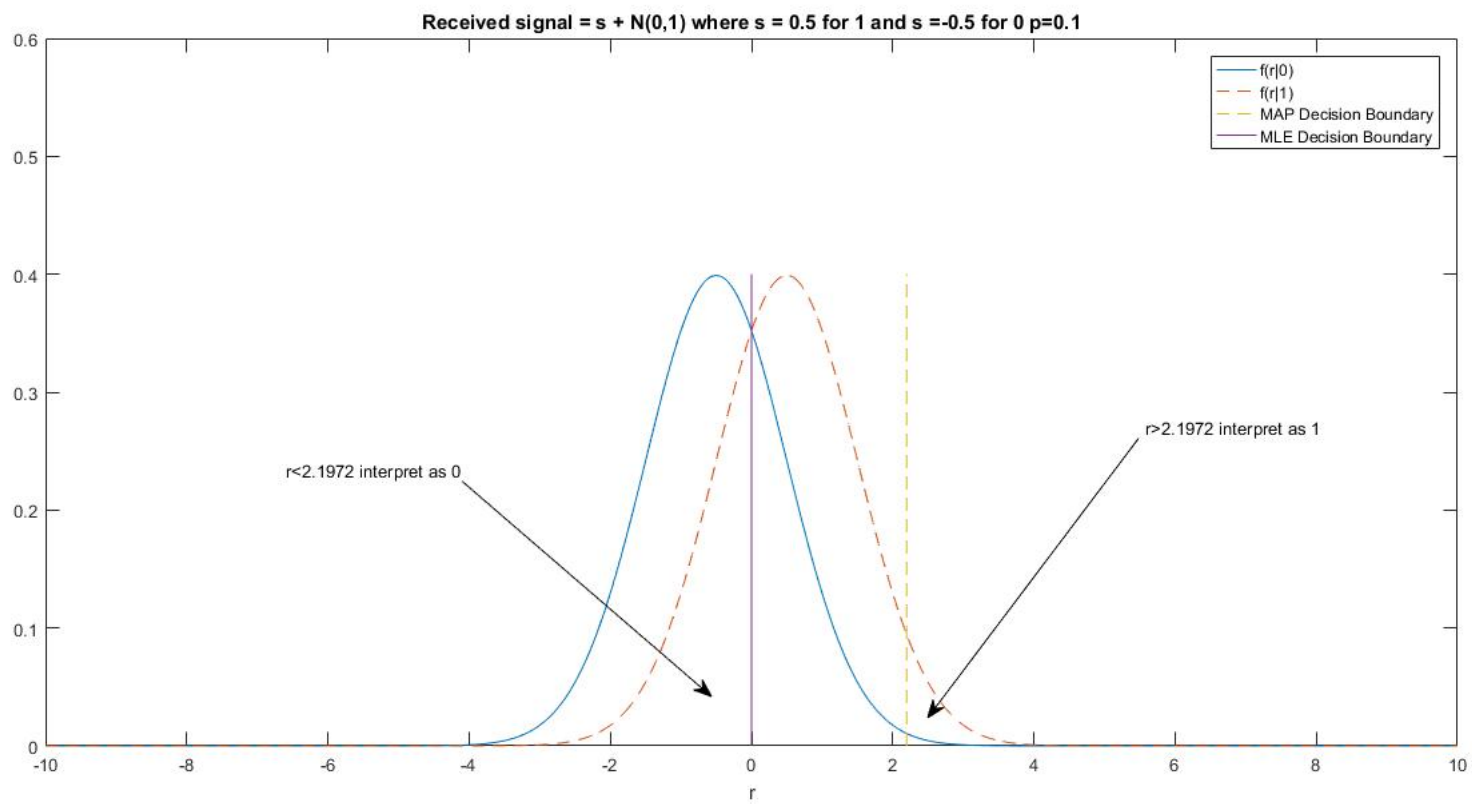


Figure 2: pdf of  $r$  , MAP and MLE decision boundaries when  $p = 0.1$  and  $a = 0.5$



(c) Compute the expected bit error rate

$$P(\text{bitererror}) = P(\text{bitererror}|1)P(1) + P(\text{bitererror}|0)P(0)$$

$$P(\text{bitererror}|0) = \int_{\beta}^{\infty} f_{r|0}(r)dr$$

$$P(\text{bitererror}|1) = \int_{-\infty}^{\beta} f_{r|1}(r)dr$$

where  $\beta$  is the decision boundary.

If we have a normal variable  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , the probability that  $X > x$  is

$$Pr\{X > c\} = Q\left(\frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}\right) \quad (4)$$

where  $Q$  is the  $Q$ -function

$\implies$

$$P(\text{bitererror}|0) = \int_{\beta}^{\infty} f_{r|0}(r)dr = Q\left(\frac{\beta - (-a)}{1}\right) = Q(\beta + a)$$

similarly,

$$P(\text{bitererror}|1) = \int_{-\infty}^{\beta} f_{r|1}(r)dr = 1 - \int_{\beta}^{\infty} f_{r|1}(r)dr = 1 - Q\left(\frac{\beta - a}{1}\right) = 1 - Q(\beta - a)$$

$$P(\text{bitererror}) = P(0)Q(\beta + a) + P(1)(1 - Q(\beta - a))$$

MAP decision boundary and  $p = 0.5 \implies \beta = 0$

$$P(\text{bitererror}) = P(0)Q(0 + a) + P(1)(1 - Q(0 - a)) = 0.5(Q(a) + (1 - Q(-a)))$$

$$Q(-a) = 1 - Q(a)$$

$$P(\text{bitererror}) = 0.5(Q(a) + (1 - (1 - Q(a)))) = Q(a)$$

for  $a = 0.5$  bit error rate  $= P(\text{bitererror}) = Q(a) = Q(0.5) = 0.3085$

MLE decision boundary  $\implies \beta = 0$  the same as MAP above for  $a = 0.5$  bit error rate  $= P(\text{bitererror}) = Q(a) = Q(0.5) = 0.3085$

MAP decision boundary  $a=0.5$  and  $p = 0.1$

$\implies$

$$\beta = \frac{1}{2a} \ln \frac{1-p}{p} = \ln \frac{0.9}{0.1} = 2.1972$$

$$\begin{aligned}
P(\text{bitererror}) &= 0.9Q(2.1972 + a) + 0.1(1 - Q(2.1972 - a)) \\
&= 0.9Q(2.1972 + 0.5) + 0.1(1 - Q(2.1972 - 0.5)) \\
&= 0.9Q(2.6972) + 0.1(1 - Q(1.6972)) \\
&= 0.9 * 0.0035 + 0.1(1 - 0.0448) = 0.0987
\end{aligned}$$

for  $a = 0.5$  and  $p = 0.1$  bit error rate =  $P(\text{bitererror}) = 0.0987$  MAP decision boundary

MLE decision boundary  $\implies \beta = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
P(\text{bitererror}) &= 0.9Q(a) + 0.1(1 - Q(-a)) \\
P(\text{bitererror}) &= 0.9Q(a) + 0.1(1 - (1 - Q(a))) \\
&= 0.9Q(0.5) + 0.1(1 - (1 - Q(0.5))) = 0.3085
\end{aligned}$$

for  $a = 0.5$  and  $p = 0.1$  bit error rate =  $P(\text{bitererror}) = 0.3085$  with MLE decision boundary

(d) ROC

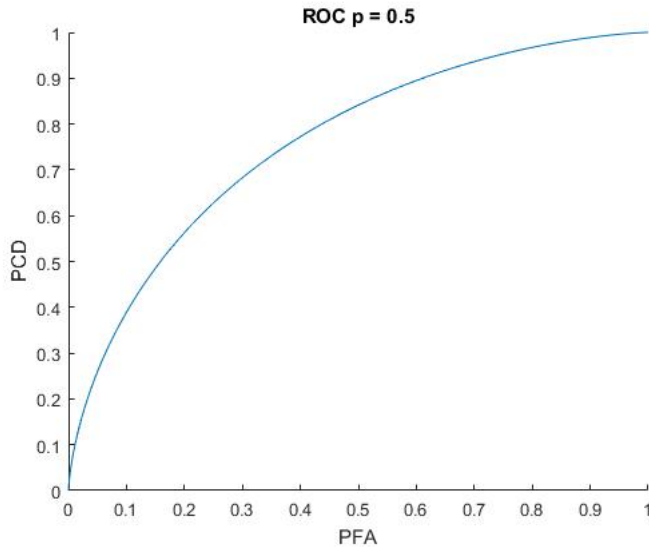


Figure 3: ROC for  $a = 0.5, p = 0.5$

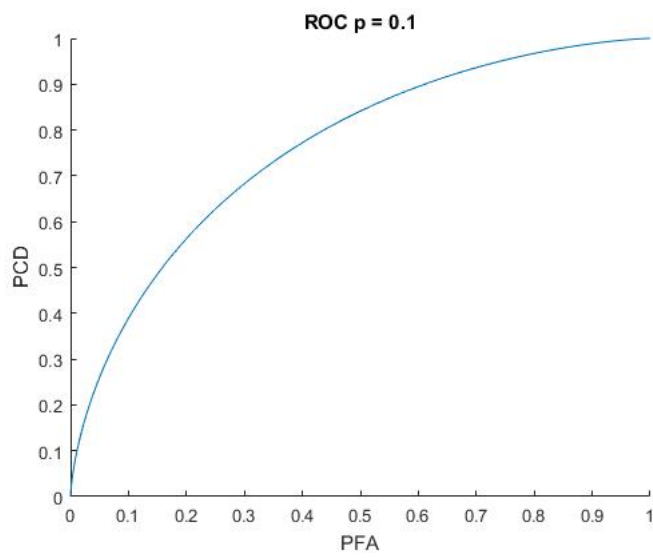


Figure 4: ROC for  $a = 0.5$   $p = 0.1$

### Q.3

#### (a) Code [1,1,0]

With MAP decision boundary when  $p = 0.5$

bit error rate =  $P(\text{biterror}) = P(\text{codeerror}) = Q(a)$  from 2.c

$\Rightarrow$

$$Q(a) = 10^{-6}$$

$$a = Q^{-1}(10^{-6})$$

$$a = 4.7534$$

$$\text{Average energy per bit} = \beta a^2 = 22.5950\beta$$

#### (b) Code [7,4,1]

With MAP decision boundary when  $p = 0.5$

$P(\text{codeerror}) = Q(a)$  from 2.c and  $P(\text{biterror}) = \frac{1}{2}P(\text{codeerror})$  from 1.c

$$P(\text{codeerror}) = 2P(\text{biterror}) = 2 * 10^{-6}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$Q(a) = 2 * 10^{-6}$$

$$a = Q^{-1}(2 * 10^{-6})$$

$$a = 4.6114$$

For every 4 bit we send 7 bit long codeword. That means for every bit we will need  $\frac{7}{4}$  times (the energy to send a single bit) energy.

$$\text{Average energy per bit} = \frac{7}{4}\beta a^2 = 37.2135\beta$$

#### (c) Which of the two codes is the most efficient and by what factor

From energy consumption perspective (a) is more efficient.

$$\text{factor} = \frac{\text{Average energy per bit (b)}}{\text{Average energy per bit (a)}} = \frac{37.2135\beta}{22.5950\beta}$$

$$\text{factor} = 1.6469$$

i.e with the second code [7,4,1] we will need 1.6469 times more energy than [1,1,0].