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ECEN 310 / ENGR 440 Communications Engineering Lab 1 - Bit Error Rate

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clear all; close all; clc;
```

Q2:

```
set(0, 'defaulttextInterpreter','latex')
```

```
M_vect = [2 8];  
phi_err = [pi/16 pi/8];  
SNRdB = 5;  
Es = 1;  
N = 1e3;
```

```
iter =1;
```

2a

Here we examine the performance of a MPSK system to varying amounts of phase error. We see that as the phase error is increased, the distribution of the sent points rotate around the origin. This is exacerbated for 8PSK as the phase error directly pushes the sent symbols to the wrong decision points. This is because PSK only makes the differentiation of each received symbol with its phase, not its energy.

```
figure(1)  
for M_idx = 1:length(M_vect)  
    M = M_vect(M_idx);  
    constel = exp((j * 2* pi * (0:M-1))/ (M));  
  
    for phiIdx = 1:length(phi_err);  
        phi = phi_err(phiIdx);  
        No = Es/db2pow(SNRdB);  
  
        s = randsrc(N,1,constel); % get rnd symbols, tx  
        n = sqrt(No/2)*complex(randn(N,1),randn(N,1)); % noise samples  
        r = s * exp(j*phi) + n; % rx  
  
        for indx = 1:N  
            %returns decision point closest to the received message  
            [dmin, const_idx] = min(abs(r(indx) - constel));  
            sest(indx) = constel(const_idx);  
        end  
    end  
end
```

```
% plotting system

subplot(2,2,iter)

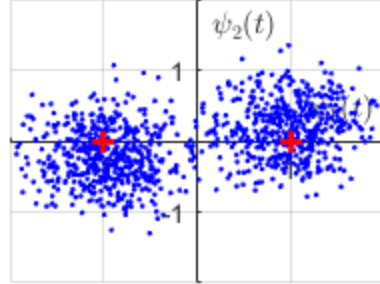
hold on
plot(real(r)', imag(r)', 'b.')
plot(real(constel)', imag(constel)', 'r+', 'linewidth',
2, 'markersize', 8)
hold off

ax = gca;
ax.XAxisLocation = 'origin';
ax.YAxisLocation = 'origin';
axis([-2 2 -2 2])
grid on

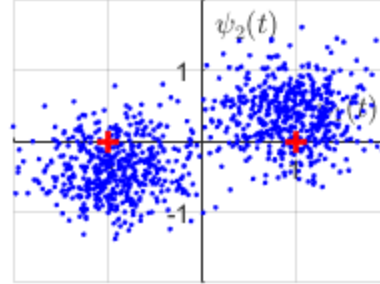
xlabel('$ \psi_1 (t)$')
ylabel('$ \psi_2 (t)$')

if phiIndx == 1
    title([num2str(M) '-ary PSK $SNR_{dB}=5$ $ \phi_e = \frac{\pi}{16}$ $'])
end
if phiIndx == 2
    title([num2str(M) '-ary PSK $SNR_{dB}=5$ $ \phi_e = \frac{\pi}{8}$ $'])
end
iter = iter + 1;
end
end
```

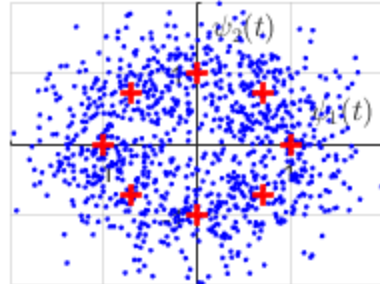
2-ary PSK $SNR_{dB} = 5$ $\phi_e = \frac{\pi}{16}$



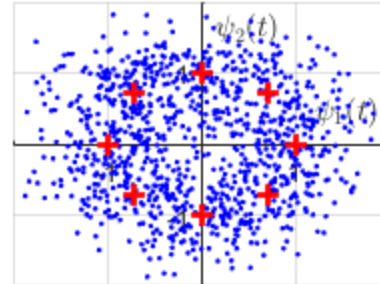
2-ary PSK $SNR_{dB} = 5$ $\phi_e = \frac{\pi}{8}$



8-ary PSK $SNR_{dB} = 5$ $\phi_e = \frac{\pi}{16}$



8-ary PSK $SNR_{dB} = 5$ $\phi_e = \frac{\pi}{8}$



2b,2c

We see with the SER plot that the higher the phase error, the more higher the SER is. This matches closely with the theoretical SER for them. Each Monte Carlo simulation is generated with $N = 10^5$ symbols.

```
% SER error rates:
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```
SNRdBAxis = -4:2:8;
```

```
SNRdBAxis_theo = -4:0.25:8;
```

```
phiAxis = [0 pi/32 pi/16 pi/8];
```

```
Ns = 1e5;
```

```
figure(2)
```

```
generalSERPlotGen(SNRdBAxis, SNRdBAxis_theo, phiAxis, Ns, 2)
```

```
figure(3)
```

```
generalSERPlotGen(SNRdBAxis, SNRdBAxis_theo, phiAxis, Ns, 8)
```

```
% get SER function
```

```
% Inputs: M - number of decision points; Ns - number of data points
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% simulated; SNRdB - SNRdB being tested; phaseError for phase error
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% introduced
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```
% Outputs: SER
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```
function SER = getSER(M, Ns, SNRdB, phaseError);
```

```

constel = exp((j * 2* pi * (0:M-1))/ (M));
Es = 1;

No = Es/db2pow(SNRdB);

s = randsrc(Ns,1,constel); % get rnd symbols, tx
n = sqrt(No/2)*complex(randn(Ns,1),randn(Ns,1)); % noise samples
r = s * exp(j*phaseError) + n; % rx
sest = zeros(Ns,1);

for indx = 1:Ns
    %returns decision point closest to the received message
    [dmin, const_indx] = min(abs(r(indx) - constel));
    sest(indx) = constel(const_indx);
end
SER = (nnz(s-sest)/Ns);
end

%
% Give an SER with a set phase error
% to compare
%
%
function [SERtheo SERresults] = generalSERPlotGen(SNRdBaxis,
SNRdBtheo_axis, phiAxis, Ns, M);
SERresults = zeros(length(SNRdBaxis), length(phiAxis));

% loop through and test different M-ary schemes PSK
for p = 1:length(SNRdBaxis)
    for q = 1:length(phiAxis)
        SNRdB_val = SNRdBaxis(p);
        phi_val = phiAxis(q);
        SERresults(p,q) = getSER(M, Ns, SNRdB_val, phi_val);
    end
end
if M == 2 %only make theoretical for BPSK
    SER_theo = zeros(length(SNRdBtheo_axis), length(phiAxis));

    % loop through and test different theoretical M-ary schemes
PSK
    for p = 1:length(SNRdBtheo_axis)
        for q = 1:length(phiAxis)
            SNRlin_val = db2pow(SNRdBtheo_axis(p));
            phi_val = phiAxis(q);
            argu = cos(phi_val)*sqrt( ( 2*SNRlin_val));
            SER_theo(p,q) =qfunc(argu);
        end
    end
end

% plot SER results

hold on

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grid on
ax = gca;
semilogy(SNRdBAxis ,SERresults,'linewidth', 1.5)
ax.ColorOrderIndex = 1;
if M == 2
    semilogy(SNRdBtheo_axis ,SER_theo,'--','linewidth', 2)
end

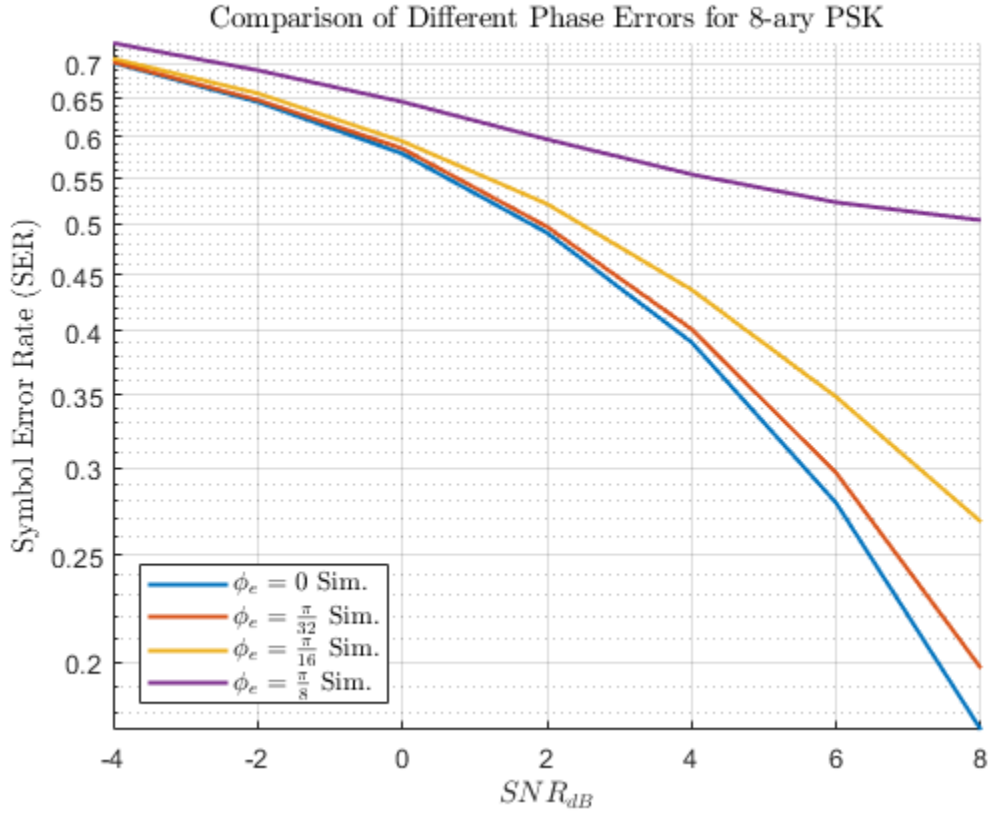
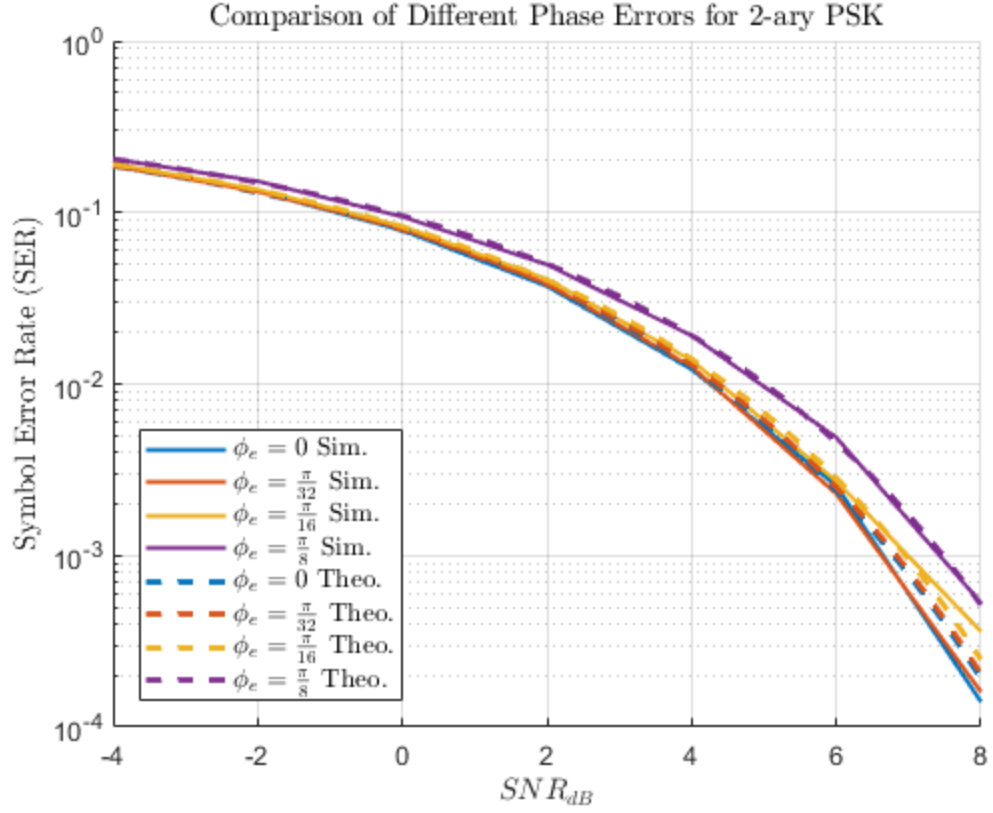
set(ax,'yscale','log')

hold off

xlabel("$ SNR_{dB} $")
ylabel("Symbol Error Rate (SER)")
str = sprintf('Comparison of Different Phase Errors for %c-ary
PSK', (num2str(M)));
title(str);
if M == 2
    leg_str = {'$\phi_e = 0$ Sim.', '$\phi_e = \frac{\pi}{32}$
Sim.', ...
'$\phi_e = \frac{\pi}{16}$ Sim.', '$\phi_e = \frac{\pi}{8}$
Sim.', ...
'$\phi_e = 0$ Theo.', '$\phi_e = \frac{\pi}{32}$ Theo.', ...
'$\phi_e = \frac{\pi}{16}$ Theo.', '$\phi_e = \frac{\pi}{8}$
Theo.'};
else
    leg_str = {'$\phi_e = 0$ Sim.', '$\phi_e = \frac{\pi}{32}$
Sim.', ...
'$\phi_e = \frac{\pi}{16}$ Sim.', '$\phi_e = \frac{\pi}{8}$
Sim.'};
end

lgnd = legend(leg_str,'FontSize', 10);
lgnd.Location = 'southwest';
set(lgnd,'Interpreter','latex')
return;
end

```



2d

We see that for 8PSK, the error levels out at a phase error of $\pi/8$. This is due to the phase error being larger than the mid point of each phase decision point for each point. Each point is separated by $\pi/4$ radians. That means if there is a bias of more than $\pi/8$, the mean of the sent symbols will be in the wrong decision area. Increasing SNR will not lead to a decrease in error because of this.

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