

Instructions:

- A. You have the entire class time to answer these questions.
 B. This is a closed note/book exam.
 C. Please write within the area provided under each question.
 D. Please turn off your cell phone, laptop, and all other electronic/transmitting devices.
 E. Each question is worth 20 points.
 F. Nyquist's result: $C = 2B \log_2 M$ Shannon result: $C = B \log_2(1 + S/N)$ $dB = 10 \log_{10} S/N$
 G. There is no need for a calculator, all numbers are power of 2 or 10.
 H. $\log_2 11 = 3.45, \log_2 101 = 6.65, \log_2 1001 = 9.96, \log_2 10001 = 13.28$

1. Define the following:

- (a) Attenuation.
 i. Is it a problem? If yes, how do we fix it?
 ii. Does it matter whether the signal is analog or digital?
 (b) Delay distortion.
 (c) Thermal noise.
 (d) Inter-modulation noise.

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2. (a) Consider a 10 KHz noiseless channel that transmits signals. Each signal carries 3 bits of data. What is maximum channel capacity in bits/s?

$$C = 2B \log_2 M = 2 \times 10,000 \log_2 8 = 60,000 = 60 \text{ Kbps}$$

(b) Now, consider a 10 KHz noisy channel with signal-to-noise ratio of 20 dB. What is maximum channel capacity in bits/s?

$$20dB = 10 \log_{10} S/N \quad S/N = 100$$

$$C = B \log_2(1 + S/N) = 10,000 \log_2(1 + 100) = 10,000 \times 6.65 = 60.65 \text{ Kbps}$$

3. When we send a packet from one computer to another over the Internet, it suffers four types of delays.

- (a) Discuss each delay type and why it exists.
 (b) Explain which delay type is deterministic or non-deterministic (probabilistic).
 (c) Give an example.

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4. Consider a 1 Mbps point-to-point connection between a computer in NY and a computer in LA which are 4096 = 2^{12} Km apart. Assume the signal travels at the speed of $2.6 \times 10^5 \approx 2^{18}$ Km/s in the cable.

(a) What is the length of a bit (in time) in the cable? 1 Mb = 2^{20} bits

$$\frac{1}{2^{20}} = 2^{-20} \text{ s}$$

(b) What is the length of a bit (in meters) in the cable?

$$2^{-20} \text{ s} \times 2^{18} \text{ Km/s} = 2^{-2} = 0.25 \text{ Km} = 250 \text{ m}$$

(c) Assume that we are sending packets that are 2 KB (2×2^{10} bytes) long,

- i. How long does it take before the first bit of the packet arrives to the destination?

$$\text{Propagation delay of 1 bit} = \frac{2^{12} \text{ Km}}{2^{18} \text{ Km/s}} = 2^{-6} = 15.6 \text{ ms}$$

- ii. How long does it take before the transmission of the packet is completed?

$$2^{-6} + 2^{14}/2^{20} = 2^{-6} + 2^{-6} = 2^{-5} s$$

- (d) How many packets can fill the $1Mbps \times 4,096$ Km pipe (RTT)?

$$2^{20} bps \times 2 \times 2^{-6} s(RTT) = 2^{15} bits = 2^{12} bytes = 2^2 KB = 2 packets$$

5. For the following bit streams, sketch the digital signal for each encoding technique. form for the following formats.

- (a) Non-return-to-Zero (NRZ).
 (b) Manchester coding.
 (c) Differential Manchester coding.

