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# 1 Introduction

During transmission of the signal from the sending antenna to the receiving antenna, the signal undergoes many changes and distortions caused by nature, the medium through which the signal is transmitted and the path followed from the transmitting antenna to the receiving antenna. This distortion causes the signal received at the receiving antenna to no longer mimic the signal sent at the transmitting antenna. Two sources of the distortion incurred by the signal are noise and the effects of multipath.

Noise in signal processing and Digital Communications is any unwanted signal or frequency added to a signal thus resulting in the original signal being distorted. In particular, additive noise is a concern for Digital signals. Additive noise refers to noise added to a signal regardless of the state of the system and generally arise externally to the system, such as interference from other users of the channel. When such noise and interference occupy the same frequency band as the desired signal, we see distortion in the transmitted signal and we therefore need to process the signal (by using for example a filter) before the signal can be interpreted.

Additive White Gaussian noise (AWGN) is a basic noise model used in Information theory and Digital communications to mimic the effect of many random processes that occur in nature and as such is used in simulations to mimic the effects of noise or additive noise to a digital signal transmitted. During Practical 1, students implemented a Additive white Gaussian noise (AWGN) simulation platform which will be used as a critical component for the simulations conducted during practical 2.

The second common source of distortion of a digital signal being sent is as a result of the effects a Multipath channel. A channel in Digital communications refers to the medium through which the transmitted signal is sent from the transmitting antenna to the receiving antenna. A Multipath channel is a medium in which the signal reaches the receiving antenna via more than one path. Sources of multipath include reflection and diffraction of the signal from the surface of water, the ionosphere of the earth, buildings and other physical objects. Multipath can cause errors such as Inter Signal Interference (ISI) as well as affect the quality of communication.

Due to the fact that there are multiple electromagnetic paths to the receiver, more than one instance of the same signal may be received at different time periods, thus causing distortion of the signal received at the antenna. In order to model the effects of Multipath and determine the correct signal at the receiver, a channel impulse response model is produced. The Channel Impulse response is a model that shows how the signal is distorted within the channel as a function of frequency and time. Figures 1 to 3 illustrate the concept of Multipath propagation and the Channel Impulse Response.

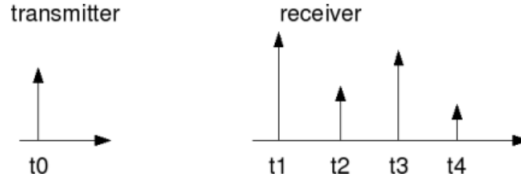


Figure 1. Channel Impulse Response over a Multipath channel

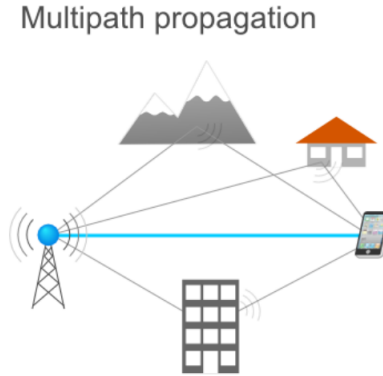


Figure 2. Multipath propagation for a signal from an Antenna to a cellphone

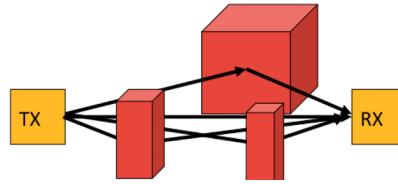


Figure 3. Illustration of a multipath channel

The signal received at the receiving antenna can be interpreted by the general expression for a Multipath symbol:  $r_k = s_k C_0 + s_{k-1} C_1 + \dots + s_{k-n} C_n + noise$ , where noise is the additive noise added to the signal,  $r_k$  is the symbol received at time  $k$  and  $C_n$  is the channel impulse response for the  $n$ th frequency harmonic of the channel.

Two equalizers may be used to solve this problem. The two equalizers that will be tested to determine the most probable sequence of symbols transmitted, are the Viterbi Maximum Likelihood Sequence Estimation (MLSE) algorithm and the Decision Feedback Equalization algorithm (DFE).

During Practical 2 for EDC 320, students will investigate the effectiveness of Viterbi Maximum Likelihood Sequence Estimation (MLSE) algorithm and the Decision Feedback Equalization algorithm (DFE) in determining the correct bits being sent over an AWGN Multipath channel using BPSK modulation. In addition, the effects of a linearly declining Channel Impulse Response and a randomly generated Channel Impulse Response will be compared.

## 2 Viterbi MLSE

### 2.1 Introduction

The Maximum Likelihood Sequence Estimation (MLSE) algorithm is used to detect the most likely sequence of symbols received at a receiving transmitter. A block of symbols transmitted from a transmitting antenna to a receiving antenna contains three sets of symbols, the header symbols, the data symbols, and the tail symbols. The header and tail symbols are prepended and appended to the data symbols before transmission and by convention are chosen as "1". The number of header and tail symbols appended and prepended is equal to the number of Channel Impulse Response element minus 1.

The Viterbi MLSE algorithm begins with constructing a Viterbi Trellis, which is a variation of a tree, wherein each node represents a possible "state". The goal of the MLSE algorithm is to choose a sequence of symbols that maximizes the conditional probability error across the entire state space. The Viterbi-algorithm is the optimal and at the same time the most efficient method for the estimation of the input symbol sequence of a finite state machine from its output symbol sequence (distorted signal symbols), that has been distorted with white Gaussian noise [1].

Using the Viterbi trellis, the MLSE algorithm computes the cost of every path through the trellis and returns the cheapest path, with the lowest cost from the start state to the end state. An example of the Viterbi Trellis is given in figure 4. The cost from one node in the trellis to another is referred to as the Delta value is calculated as  $\Delta_n^{sk} = |s_k C_0 + s_{k-1} C_1 \dots + s_{k-n} C_n|^2$

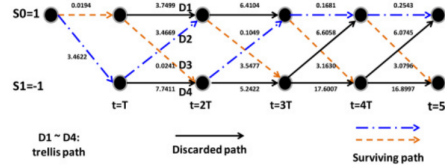


Figure 4. Example of a Viterbi Trellis

### 2.2 Design and Implementation

In order to perform the Viterbi MLSE algorithm on a set of bits received two classes have been defined. The *trellisNode* and *MLSE* classes. The *trellisNode* class represents a single node in the Viterbi Trellis and is used by the *MLSE* class to build the Viterbi Trellis.

The *trellisNode* class holds members to store the state of the node, all connected states, the delta values for each connected state and the alpha value (representing the sum of delta values along cheapest path to node)

The *MLSE* class holds members to store the CIR, the received symbols, the number of data bits and a matrix to store the trellis. The class builds the Viterbi Trellis by creating a node for each state in the trellis, beginning with the first node at time = 0, being a symbol = 1. All valid state transitions are connected and new nodes for each state and time are created.

Once the Viterbi Trellis is built, the algorithm computes all the delta values (using the formula given above) for every transition and chooses the cheapest path from the first bit to the last bit and returns the symbol sequence. All code is written in the Python programming language and the source code for the Viterbi MLSE implementation in the attached Appendix.

## 3 DFE

### 3.1 Introduction

The Decision Feedback Equalizer (DFE) algorithm is a filter that uses previously detected symbols in conjunction with a linear equalizer to reduce Inter Symbol Interference (ISI) and detect the transmitted symbols. A block of symbols transmitted from a transmitting antenna to a receiving antenna contains three sets of symbols, the header symbols, the data symbols, and the tail symbols. The header and tail symbols are prepended and appended to the data symbols before transmission and by convention are chosen as "1". The number of header and tail symbols appended and prepended is equal to the number of Channel Impulse Response element minus 1. In general however, the DFE algorithm does not make use of these tail symbols and only considers the header symbols when estimating the sequence of symbols received.

The DFE algorithm is similar to the MLSE algorithm in the light that both equalizers compute the costs or *deltas* for each state by  $\Delta_n^{sk} = |s_k C_0 + s_{k-1} C_1 \dots + s_{k-n} C_n|^2$ . Where DFE is set apart from MLSE is that, when estimating the symbol received, DFE only considers the cost from one node to another, as opposed to the entire path cost and as such is more susceptible to bear the consequences for errors made in estimating symbols.

### 3.2 Design and Implementation

The DFE algorithm is implemented by creating a *DFE* class to compute the DFE algorithm and return the detected symbols. The class takes in the number of data bits, the Channel Impulse Response vector and the received bit sequence as constructor parameters. For each bit received, the DFE algorithm computes the delta values using the equation above, for each possible state.

The bit detected at a single time instant is the bit or state that results in the smallest delta value for each time instant. The algorithm estimates all symbols received before storing the result in its member variable (*dataDetected*). The detected bits can then be retrieved by the user using the *getDataDetected()* class member function. All code is written in the Python programming language and the source code for the Viterbi MLSE implementation is in the attached Appendix.

## 4 Channel Impulse Response

### 4.0.1 Linear CIR

### 4.0.2 Theoretical Analysis

A linearly declining Channel impulse response is one wherein as the harmonic number of the Fourier transform of the channel increases, the amplitude or power generated by the channel for that harmonic decreases linearly. Therefore, the effects of a symbol being delayed decline linearly as time increases. A linearly declining CIR is not realistic as in the real world, it is more likely that the CIR of the channel will be random.

### 4.0.3 Design and implementation

The Linear decline CIR was given as , as used in the simulations for both equalizers. The CIR was stored statically in each implementation since it would not change, as specified by the practical specification.

## 4.1 Random CIR

### 4.1.1 Theoretical Analysis

A Random CIR is one wherein there seems to be no correlation between the harmonic number and the power generated in the channel for that harmonic. The effects of such a CIR are that the results or distortions to the symbols sent over the channel are not purely deterministic and would be extremely difficult to estimate the distorted bits. This means that symbols that have been delayed for numerous time instances can still have a significant effect on the symbols detected and cause much greater ISI.

### 4.1.2 Design and implementation

A single randomly generated CIR element was generated using the equation  $\frac{RNG(\sigma)}{\sqrt{3}}$ , for both the DFE and MLSE algorithms. Each time a new set of symbols was generated, a new randomly generated CIR vector was generated using the uniform number generator implemented in practical 1.



## 5 Simulation platform

### 5.1 Design and implementation

The BPSK simulation platform developed in Practical 1 was used to develop a simulation platform that includes the effect of multipath in the received signal, where the channel impulse response (CIR) length is  $L = 3$ . The simulation platform would simulate the transmission and detection of 300 data symbols over a AWGN channel that included the effect of multipath.

The simulation platform was implemented in the *Simulation* class which took in the number of data bits to generate as well as the linearly declining channel impulse response vector. The class contained a number of member functions to perform the simulation for both the DFE and MLSE algorithms using the linearly declining Channel impulse response as  $C=[0.89, 0.42, 0.12]$  and the randomly generated CIR generated using one of the member functions.

The randomly generated CIR was generated using the uniform random number generator implemented in practical 1 through the equation  $\frac{RNG(\sigma)}{\sqrt{3}}$ . The function would return the number of CIR elements as specified by the parameter passed in. The simulation platform can be executed using the *simulate()* member function which would simulate the DFE and MLSE algorithm using both types of CIR vectors and plot all results on the same plot.

The functioning of the *simulate()* function is as follows:

It generates a random number of bits according the parameter passed into the class constructor, over a loop that varies the **SNR** of the AWGN channel on the range [4,8] dB, the bits are converted to symbols via the *BpskModulate()* (implemented in Practical 1) function.

Depending on whether DFE or MLSE was being simulated the tail symbols were added as "1"s, the multipath effects (using the randomly generated CIR or linearly declining CIR) were added to each bit and noise was added to the modulated bits, thus simulating the transmission of the signal over a AWGN multipath channel. The Gaussian random number generator implemented in practical 1 was used to generate the noise added, with the standard deviation calculated as  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{10^{-\frac{SNR}{10}} 2f_{bit}}}$ . An  $f_{bit}$  value of 1 was used since BPSK modulated and demodulation was being conducted. The bits were "received" and detected by using the DFE or MLSE algorithms and translated back into bits using the *BpskDemodulate()* function. The original bits generated were compared to the "detected" bits. An average of a user defined number of iterations was compute and the average BER for each SNR was returned.

Once conducted for both the DFE and MLSE algorithms the 4 curves were plotted on a single plot for comparison.

## 6 Results

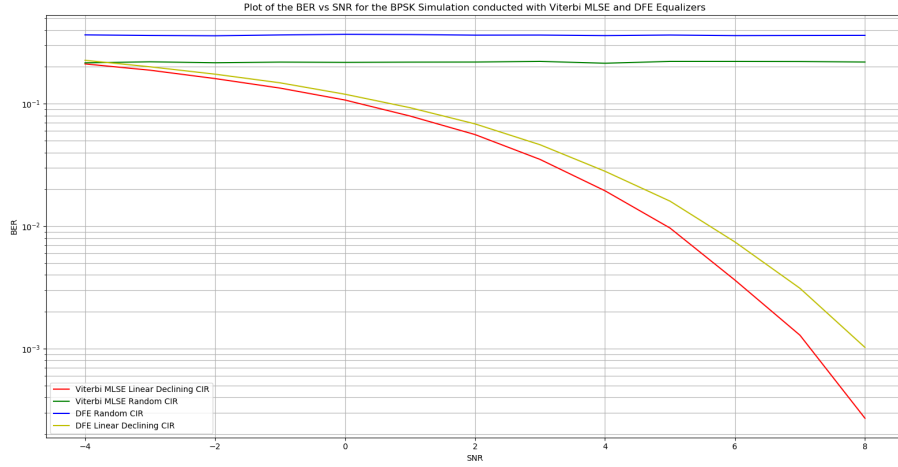


Figure 5. Simulation results of the DFE and Viterbi MLSE algorithms for a linearly declining and randomly generated CIR averaged over 1000 iterations

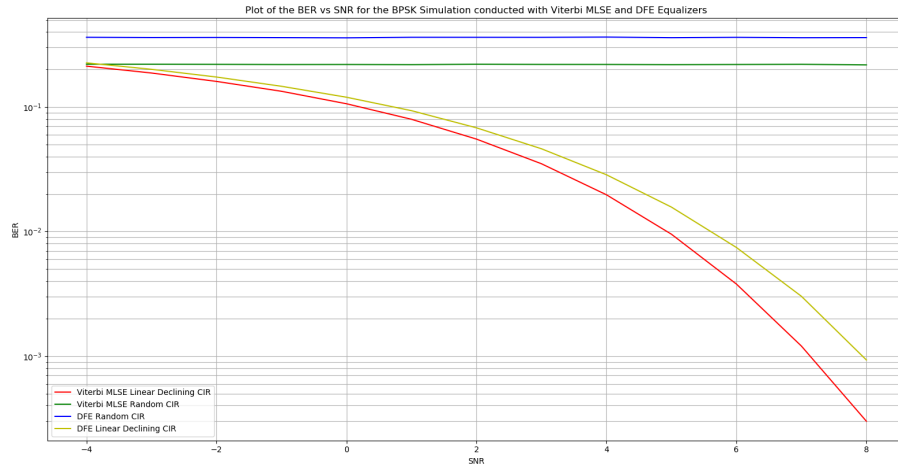


Figure 6. Simulation results of the DFE and Viterbi MLSE algorithms for a linearly declining and randomly generated CIR averaged over 5000 iterations

## 7 Discussion

The results in figures 5 and 6 allow us to compare the two different equalizers as well as their performance with different types of Channel Impulse Response. In reality, the Channel Impulse Response will not always be linear, randomness does exist in the world around us and it is, therefore, necessary to analyze the

effect a randomly generated Channel Impulse Response has on the simulation platform. Referring to figures 5 and 6, we can deduce that a linearly declining Channel Impulse Response performs much better than a randomly generated Channel Impulse Response. This is noted as a result of the exponential decrease in BER for the linearly declining Channel Impulse Response compared to the slight decrease in the randomly generated graph for both the DFE and Viterbi MLSE algorithms.

For the linearly declining Channel Impulse Response, both algorithms see an exponential decline in BER, with an increase in the SNR. This is consistent with our expectations, since the higher the SNR, the less distortion there is to a symbol sequence and as such, one would expect fewer errors to be made in determining the symbols sent.

From the results of the simulation a comparison on the performance of the two equalizers can be done. It can be seen that MLSE performs better than DFE for both a linearly declining Channel Impulse Response and a randomly generated Channel Impulse Response. The Viterbi MLSE algorithm using a linearly declining Channel Impulse Response performs slightly better than the DFE, with the rate of decline of the BER of the Viterbi MLSE algorithm increasing much higher than that of the DFE, at an SNR of greater than -1. There is a noticeable difference between the algorithms when using a randomly generated Channel Impulse Response, as both remain relatively constant, the Viterbi MLSE has a lower BER for the entire range of SNR values simulated.

From this, we can infer that the Viterbi MLSE is much more suitable for a randomly generated CIR than the DFE algorithm. The reason why MLSE performs better than DFE is because if the DFE makes an incorrect estimation, the error is compounded as it is used to calculate other bits. This is due to the DFE algorithm bounding its scope to the current bit estimation, whereas the Viterbi MLSE uses backtracking to take into account the entire data block of bits sent. When there is a random Channel Impulse Response bit estimations become more challenging therefore results in a greater number of errors being made. with MLSE algorithm these errors are dealt with effectively through backtracking however with DFE algorithm it is not dealt with effectively.

## 8 Conclusion

In conclusion the Viterbi Maximum Likelihood Sequence Estimation performs better than the Decision Feedback Equalizer when using both a linearly declining CIR and a randomly generated Channel Impulse Response. This result is as expected, since the Viterbi MLSE algorithm considers a maximum error possibility over the entire state space whereas the DFE algorithm only considers an error probability of a current state space. DFE will naturally achieve a higher BER than the Viterbi MLSE, this is due to the fact when DFE makes an incorrect bit assumption it compounds its error, which affects future bits that are to be determined. MLSE performs better in comparison

because it looks at the sequence as a whole and finds the shortest path cost of the entire sequence of bits.

In the real world there is non-linear CIR, almost random, due to the effect of Multipath, therefore since the MLSE algorithm achieves a much better BER with a randomly generated CIR when compared to DFE, one can conclude that the Viterbi MLSE algorithm is more suitable to real world applications and as such is a better equalizer.

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# A Appendix A: How to operate Python source code

## A.1 Dependencies

The following Python packages are required to execute the scripts:

- numpy
- matplotlib
- time
- datetime
- scipy (scipy.stats)

All the packages can be installed using *pip* in the Linux terminal or *conda* if Anaconda is installed on a Windows machine.

## A.2 Execution of the script

All scripts must be in the same working directory in order to execute the simulation. The simulation may be executed from the *Simulation.py* python script. Please ensure that lines 238 to 242 of the script is not commented out.

The script will automatically simulate the DFE and MLSE Viterbi algorithms on a randomly generated set of 300 bits (by default, may be changed by the user) and plot the results on a single plot. The number of iterations to average the results over may be changed by the user for more accurate results (see source code comments).

# B Python source code

```
1 #Mohamed Ameen Omar
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3 #####
4 ###      EDC 310 Practical 1      ###
5 ###              2018              ###
6 ###      Question 1              ###
7 #####
8
9 import numpy as np
10 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

```

11 import time
12 import datetime
13 from scipy.stats import norm
14
15 ##### Random Number Class #####
16 # The random number class contains the two random number generators
17 class randomNumber:
18     #Constructor
19     def __init__(self, seed1 = time.time(), seed2 = time.time()-10, seed3
    = time.time()+10):
20         self.seed1 = seed1
21         self.seed2 = seed2
22         self.seed3 = seed3
23         self.computed = None
24
25     #Uniform Distribution Wichmann-Hill algorithm
26     def WHill(self):
27         # Seed values must be greater than zero
28
29         self.seed1 = 171 * (self.seed1 % 177) - (2*(self.seed1/177))
30         if self.seed1 < 0:
31             self.seed1 = self.seed1 + 30269
32
33         self.seed2 = 172 * (self.seed2 % 176) - (35*(self.seed2/176))
34         if self.seed2 < 0:
35             self.seed2 = self.seed2 + 30307
36
37         self.seed3 = 170 * (self.seed3 % 178) - (63*(self.seed2/178))
38         if self.seed3 < 0:
39             self.seed3 = self.seed3 + 30323
40
41         temp = float(self.seed1/30269) + float(self.seed2/30307) + float(
    self.seed3/30323)
42         # So that the output is between 0 and 1
43         return (temp%1)
44
45     # Normal Distribituion random number generator.
46     # Only used in Question 2 and Question 3.
47     def gaussian(self, mean = 0, stdDeviation = 1):
48         if(self.computed is not None):
49             returnVal = self.computed
50             self.computed = None
51             return returnVal
52         else:
53             squaredSum = -1.0
54             temp1 = 0.0
55             temp2 = 0.0
56             # find two numbers such that their squared sum falls within
    the
57             # boundaries of the square.
58             while( (squaredSum >= 1) or squaredSum == -1.0 ):
59                 temp1 = (2*self.WHill())-1
60                 temp2 = (2*self.WHill())-1
61                 squaredSum = (temp1**2) + (temp2 **2)
62
63             mul = np.sqrt(-2.0*np.log(squaredSum)/squaredSum)

```

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64
65         #store the second point to avoid wasting computation time
66         self.computed = mean + (stdDeviation * temp1 * mul)
67         return (mean + (stdDeviation*temp2*mul))
68
69
70 ##### End of class #####
71
72 # function to plot the PDF for the Uniformly distributed random number
    generator
73 def plotUniformPDF(sample = None, binSize = 200, save = True, iswHill =
    True):
74     if(sample is None):
75         print("Error, sample to plot not provided")
76         return
77
78     title = ("Probability Density Function of the ")
79     # if the sample passed in was generated from the Wichmann-Hill
    algorithm
80     if(iswHill is True):
81         title = title + "Wichmann-Hill Random Number Generator"
82     # if the sample passed in was generated from the python uniform
    random number generator
83     else:
84         title = title + "Python Uniform Random Number Generator"
85     fileName = title
86     title = title + " with a sample size of " + str(len(sample)) + " and
    a bin size of " + str(binSize) + " bins"
87     fig = plt.figure()
88     plt.hist(sample,color = "Blue", edgecolor = "black", bins = binSize,
    density = True)
89     plt.xlabel("Random Number")
90     plt.ylabel("Probability")
91     plt.title(title)
92     #Plot a real Uniform PDF for comparison
93     plt.plot([0.0, 1.0], [1,1], 'r-', lw=2, label='Actual Uniform PDF')
94     plt.legend(loc='best')
95     plt.show()
96
97     #to save the plot
98     if(save is True):
99         fileName = fileName + ".png"
100         fig.savefig(fileName , dpi=fig.dpi)
101
102 # function to print the relevant statistics for the sample passed in
103 # The mean, standard deviation and variance of the sample is computed
104 # and displayed to the screen
105 def printStats(sample = None, isWHill = True):
106     if(sample is None):
107         print("Error, sample not provided, no statistics to print")
108         return
109     message = ("The Mean, Standard Deviation and Variance for the ")
110     if(isWHill is True):
111         message = message + "Wichmann-Hill Uniformly Distributed Random
    Number Generator"
112     else:

```



```

113     message = message + "Built-in Python Uniformly Distributed Random
    Number Generator"
114     print(message)
115     print("Mean: " + str(np.mean(sample)))
116     print("Standard Deviation: " + str(np.std(sample)))
117     print("Variance: " + str(np.var(sample)))
118
119
120 def question1(sampleSize = 10000000, binSize = 200, save = True):
121     #input parameter validation
122     #all paramters must have a postive value
123     if(sampleSize < 0):
124         sampleSize = 10000000
125     if(binSize < 0):
126         binSize = 200
127     #create a randomGenerator object to get Uniform distribution random
    numbers
128     # For consistent results , pass seed paramters into the constructor
129     randomGenerator = randomNumber() #create a random number object to
    generate uniform random number
130     sampleSpace = []
131
132     print("Question 1:")
133
134     #Generate Sample Space for Wichmann-Hill
135     print("Generating Sample Space with Wichmann-Hill RNG")
136     print("Sample space contains", sampleSize, "entries")
137     print("The bin size is", binSize, "bins")
138     for x in range(0, sampleSize):
139         sampleSpace.append(randomGenerator.WHill())
140     print("Task Complete")
141
142     print("Plotting Wichmann-Hill PDF")
143     plotUniformPDF(sampleSpace, binSize, save, True)
144     print()
145     printStats(sampleSpace, True)
146     print()
147
148     print("-----")
149     print("Generating Sample Space with Python RNG")
150     print("Sample space contains", sampleSize, "entries")
151     print("The bin size is", binSize, "bins")
152     sampleSpace = np.random.uniform(size = sampleSize)
153     print("Task Complete")
154
155     print("Plotting Python RNG PDF")
156     plotUniformPDF(sampleSpace, binSize, save, False)
157     print()
158     printStats(sampleSpace, False)
159
160 # adjust parameters at will
161 # Sample size = First Parameter
162 # Bin size = Second Parameter
163 # boolean to save the plots = Third Paramter
164
165 # Uncomment next line to run

```

```
166 #question1(1000000,250,save = False)
```

**Listing 1. Python Source code for question 1 (Uniform Random Number Generator) - From practical 1**

```
1 #Mohamed Ameen Omar
2 #16055323
3 #####
4 ###      EDC 310 Practical 1      ###
5 ###            2018            ###
6 ###      Question 3              ###
7 #####
8
9 import numpy as np
10 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
11 import time
12 import datetime
13 from scipy.stats import norm
14 from question_1 import randomNumber
15
16 # Ensure that the source file question_1.py is in the current directory
17 # before running the script
18
19 # Class used for QPSK simulation
20 class QPSKmodulationSimulation:
21     def __init__(self, numBits):
22         self.numBits = numBits
23         self.numberGenerator = randomNumber()
24
25     def getStdDev(self, SNR):
26         return (1/np.sqrt(10**((SNR/10)*2*2)))
27
28     #add noise for the real and imaginary parts of the symbol
29     def addNoise(self, SNR, sentBits):
30         recieved = []
31         standardDeviation = self.getStdDev(SNR)
32         for x in range(0, len(sentBits)):
33             real = self.numberGenerator.gaussian(stdDeviation=
standardDeviation)
34             imag = self.numberGenerator.gaussian(stdDeviation=
standardDeviation) * 1j
35             recieved.append(sentBits[x]+real+imag)
36
37         return recieved
38
39     # generate random number using uniform random number generator
40     # round the output to a 1 or 0 for a bit
41     def generateBits(self):
42         print("Generating", self.numBits, "random binary digits")
43         toSend = []
44         for x in range(0, self.numBits):
45             toSend.append(int(np.round(self.numberGenerator.WHill()))))
46         return(toSend)
47
48     # map an array of bits to a symbols
49     # according to the BPSK constellation map
```

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50     def QpskModulate(self , original):
51         print("Mapping bits to symbols using QPSK modulation")
52         mappedMessage = []
53         temp = list(map(str , original))
54
55         for x in range(0, len(temp),2):
56             toSymbol = temp[x] + temp[x+1]
57             mappedMessage.append( self.bitToSymbol(toSymbol))
58         return mappedMessage
59
60     # return the Symbol for the
61     # the bit passed in
62     def bitToSymbol(self , toMap):
63         if(toMap == "00"):
64             return 1
65         elif(toMap == "01"):
66             return 1j
67         elif(toMap == "11"):
68             return -1
69         elif(toMap == "10"):
70             return -1j
71
72     # demodulate the detected symbols
73     # for QPSK
74     def QpskDemodulate(self , modulated):
75         print("Mapping symbols to bits for QPSK demodulation")
76         demod = []
77         for x in range(0, len(modulated)):
78             temp = self.symbolToBit(modulated[x])
79             demod.append(int(temp[0]))
80             demod.append(int(temp[1]))
81         return demod
82
83     # return the bits for the
84     # the symbol passed in
85     def symbolToBit(self , symbol):
86         if(symbol == 1):
87             return "00"
88         elif(symbol == 1j):
89             return "01"
90         elif(symbol == -1):
91             return "11"
92         elif(symbol == -1j):
93             return "10"
94
95     # given the SNR and recieved signal
96     # use optimum detection algorithm to
97     # determine the signal that was sent
98     # return the symbols that were sent
99     def detectSignal(self ,SNR, recieved):
100         stdDev = self.getStdDev(SNR)
101         detectedBits = []
102         #for every bit recieved
103         for x in range(0, len(recieved)):
104             probabilities = [] # 1,j,-1,-j
105             temp = []

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106         temp.append(self.getExpProb(recieved[x], 1,stdDev))
107         temp.append(self.getExpProb(recieved[x], 1j, stdDev))
108         temp.append(self.getExpProb(recieved[x], -1, stdDev))
109         temp.append(self.getExpProb(recieved[x], -1j, stdDev))
110         probabilities = np.exp(temp)
111         beta = self.getBeta(probabilities)
112         for prob in range(0,len(probabilities)):
113             probabilities[prob] = probabilities[prob] * beta
114         ind = np.argmax(probabilities)
115         detectedBits.append(self.getSymbol(ind))
116
117     return detectedBits
118
119     # get exponent e is raised to for
120     # the symbol recieved and the symbol we think it is
121     # need standard deviation for the channel as well
122     def getExpProb(self , recieved , actual ,stdDev):
123         temp = np.abs(recieved-actual)
124         temp = (temp**2)*(-1)
125         temp = temp/(2*(stdDev**2))
126         return temp
127
128     # given an array of conditional probabilities
129     # return scaling factor or normalization constant (beta)
130     def getBeta(self , probs):
131         temp = 0
132         for x in range(0,len(probs)):
133             temp += probs[x]
134         return (1/temp)
135
136     # given the index with the highest probability
137     # returnn the QPSK symbol
138     def getSymbol(self ,index):
139         if(index == 0):
140             return 1
141         elif(index == 1):
142             return 1j
143         elif(index == 2):
144             return -1
145         elif(index == 3):
146             return -1j
147
148     #return the number of bit errors for the signal
149     def getNumErrors(self ,sentBits , recievedBits):
150         errors = 0
151         for x in range(0,len(sentBits)):
152             if(sentBits[x] != recievedBits[x]):
153                 errors += 1
154         return errors
155
156     # simulate the sending and recieving
157     # plot BER vs SNR as well
158     # returns the BER array
159     def simulate(self):
160         print("Question 3")
161         print("QPSK Simulation with", self.numBits, "bits")

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162     BER = []
163     bits = self.generateBits()
164     for SNR in range(-4,9):
165         print("SNR set to", SNR)
166         #map each bit to a Qpsk symbol
167         sentSignal = self.QpskModulate(bits)
168         print("Signal Sent")
169         #print(sentSignal)
170         recievedSignal = self.addNoise(SNR, sentSignal)
171         print("Signal Recieved")
172         #print(recievedSignal)
173         detectedSignal = self.detectSignal(SNR, recievedSignal) #
still symbols
174         #print(detectedSignal)
175         #convert symbols to bits
176         detectedBits = self.QpskDemodulate(detectedSignal)
177         print("Signal Has been demodulated")
178         #print(detectedBits)
179         BER.append(self.getNumErrors(bits , detectedBits)/self.numBits)
180         print()
181
182     print("The Bit Error rate for each SNR tested is given in the
array below:")
183     print(BER)
184     print()
185     print("Plotting the BER vs SNR relationship")
186     SNR = np.linspace(-4, 8, 13)
187     plt.semilogy(SNR, BER)
188     plt.grid(which='both')
189     plt.ylabel("BER")
190     plt.xlabel("SNR")
191     plt.title("Plot of the BER vs SNR for the QPSK Simulation
conducted with " + str(self.numBits) + " bits")
192     plt.show()
193     print("End of QPSK Simulation")
194     return BER
195 ##### End of class #####
196
197 class BPSKmodulationSimulation:
198     def __init__(self , numBits):
199         self.numBits = numBits
200         self.numberGenerator = randomNumber()
201
202     #return standard deviation for SNR with fbit =1
203     def getStdDev(self , SNR):
204         return (1/np.sqrt(10**((SNR/10)*2*1))
205
206     def addNoise(self , SNR, sentBits):
207         recieved = []
208         standardDeviation = self.getStdDev(SNR)
209         for x in range(0, len(sentBits)):
210             real = self.numberGenerator.gaussian(stdDeviation=
standardDeviation)
211             recieved.append(sentBits[x]+real)
212         return recieved
213

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214 # generate random number using uniform random number generator
215 # round the output to a 1 or 0 for a bit
216 def generateBits(self):
217     #print("Generating", self.numBits, "random binary digits")
218     toSend = []
219     for x in range(0, self.numBits):
220         toSend.append(int(np.round(self.numberGenerator.WHill())))
221     return(toSend)
222
223 # map an array of bits to a symbols
224 # according to the BPSK constellation map
225 def BpskModulate(self, original):
226     #print("Mapping bits to symbols using BPSK modulation")
227     mappedMessage = []
228     for x in range(0, len(original)):
229         mappedMessage.append(self.bitToSymbol(original[x]))
230     return mappedMessage
231
232 # map a single bit to a symbol
233 # according to the BPSK constellation map
234 def bitToSymbol(self, bit):
235     if(bit == 1):
236         return 1
237     if(bit == 0):
238         return -1
239     else:
240         print("Error occured, bit to map was not zero or one")
241
242 # demodulate the detected symbols
243 # for QPSK
244 def BpskDemodulate(self, modulated):
245     #print("Mapping symbols to bits for BPSK demodulation")
246     demod = []
247     for x in range(0, len(modulated)):
248         demod.append(self.symbolToBit(modulated[x]))
249     return demod
250
251 # return the bit for the
252 # the symbol passed in
253 def symbolToBit(self, symbol):
254     if(symbol == 1):
255         return (1)
256
257     elif(symbol == -1):
258         return 0
259
260 # given the SNR and recieved signal
261 # use optimum detection algorithm to
262 # determine the signal that was sent
263 # return the symbols that were sent
264 def detectSignal(self, SNR, recieved):
265     stdDev = self.getStdDev(SNR)
266     detectedBits = []
267     #for every bit recieved
268     for x in range(0, len(recieved)):
269         probabilities = [] # 1,j,-1,-j

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270         temp = []
271         temp.append(self.getExpProb(recieved[x], 1, stdDev))
272         temp.append(self.getExpProb(recieved[x], -1, stdDev))
273         probabilities = np.exp(temp)
274         beta = self.getBeta(probabilities)
275         for prob in range(0, len(probabilities)):
276             probabilities[prob] = probabilities[prob] * beta
277         ind = np.argmax(probabilities)
278         detectedBits.append(self.getSymbol(ind))
279     return detectedBits
280
281     # get exponent e is raised to for
282     # the symbol recieved and the symbol we think it is
283     # need standard deviation for the channel as well
284     def getExpProb(self, recieved, actual, stdDev):
285         temp = np.abs(recieved - actual)
286         temp = (temp**2)*(-1)
287         temp = temp/(2*(stdDev**2))
288         return temp
289
290     # given an array of conditional probabilities
291     # return scaling factor or normalization constant (beta)
292     def getBeta(self, probs):
293         temp = 0
294         for x in range(0, len(probs)):
295             temp += probs[x]
296         return (1/temp)
297
298     # given the index with the highest probability
299     # return the BPSK symbol
300     def getSymbol(self, index):
301         if(index == 0):
302             return 1
303
304         elif(index == 1):
305             return -1
306
307     #return the number of bit errors for the signal
308     def getNumErrors(self, sentBits, recievedBits):
309         errors = 0
310         for x in range(0, len(sentBits)):
311             if(sentBits[x] != recievedBits[x]):
312                 errors += 1
313         return errors
314
315     # simulate the sending and recieving
316     # plot BER vs SNR as well
317     # returns the BER array
318     def simulate(self):
319         print("Question 3")
320         print("BPSK Simulation with", self.numBits, "bits")
321         BER = []
322         bits = self.generateBits()
323         for SNR in range(-4, 9):
324             print("SNR set to", SNR)
325             #map each bit to a BPSK symbol

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326         sentSignal = self.BpskModulate(bits)
327         print("Signal Sent")
328         #print(sentSignal)
329         recievedSignal = self.addNoise(SNR, sentSignal)
330         print("Signal Recieved")
331         #print(recievedSignal)
332         detectedSignal = self.detectSignal(SNR, recievedSignal) #
    still symbols
333         #print(detectedSignal)
334         #convert symbols to bits
335         detectedBits = self.BpskDemodulate(detectedSignal)
336         print("Signal Has been demodulated")
337         #print(detectedBits)
338         BER.append(self.getNumErrors(bits, detectedBits)/self.numBits
    )
339         print()
340
341         print("The Bit Error rate for each SNR tested is given in the
    array below:")
342         print(BER)
343         print()
344         print("Plotting BER vs SNR function for the BPSK Simulation")
345         SNR = np.linspace(-4, 8, 13)
346         plt.semilogy(SNR, BER)
347         plt.grid(which='both')
348         plt.ylabel("BER")
349         plt.xlabel("SNR")
350         plt.title("Plot of the BER vs SNR for the BPSK Simulation
    conducted with " + str(self.numBits) + " bits")
351         plt.show()
352         print("End of BPSK Simulation")
353         return BER
354
355 #plots the result of BPSK and QPSK modulation on a single plot
356 #must pass in BER for both
357 def plotToCompare(QpskBer, BpskBer):
358     print("Plotting both")
359     SNR = np.linspace(-4, 8, 13)
360     plt.semilogy(SNR, QpskBer, 'r-', label='QPSK BER')
361     plt.semilogy(SNR, BpskBer, 'g-', label='BPSK BER')
362     plt.grid(which='both')
363     plt.ylabel("BER")
364     plt.xlabel("SNR")
365     plt.title("Plot of the BER vs SNR for the BPSK and QPSK Simulation
    conducted")
366     plt.legend(loc='best')
367     plt.show()
368     print("Complete")
369
370 # numBits is the number of bits
371 # that we would like to use in the simulation of each
372 # may change the number of bits at will
373
374 # create two objects, one for the BPSK simulation
375 # one for the QPSK Simulation
376 numBits = 1000000

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377 BpskSimulation = BPSKmodulationSimulation(numBits)
378 QpskSimulation = QPSKmodulationSimulation(numBits)
379
380 #uncomment next line to run the Bpsk Simulation
381 #bpsk = BpskSimulation.simulate()
382
383 #uncomment next line to run the Qpsk Simulation
384 #qpsk = QpskSimulation.simulate()
385
386 #to plot both on the same axis, uncomment next line
387 #plotToCompare(qpsk, bpsk)

```

**Listing 2. Python Source code for question 3 (Simulation Platform) - From practical 1**

```

1  # Mohamed Ameen Omar
2  # 16055323
3  #####
4  ###      EDC 310 Practical 2      ###
5  ###              2018              ###
6  ###      BPSK DFE Algotihm      ###
7  #####
8
9  import numpy as np
10 import copy
11
12 # Class to run a DFE equalizer to dermine the bits sent over a AGWN
   channel
13 # Constructor paramaters:
14 # @param N = the number of data bits of data being sent
15 # @param r = a vector with all the recieved symbols
16 # @param c = the channel impulse response vector
17 class DFE:
18     def __init__(self, N = 0, r = [], c = []):
19         self.n = N #number of data bits
20         self.r = r #recieved vector - only data bits len(r) = self.n
21         self.c = c #convolution matrix
22         self.L = len(c) #length of the c vector
23         self.numHeader = self.L-1 #number of header bits
24         self.symbols = [1,-1]
25         self.dataDetected = [] #just the data bits detected
26
27     # Function to return the data symbols detected.
28     # It will detect or estimate or symbols recieved and return
29     # a vector with those symbols
30     def getDataSymbols(self):
31         if(self.dataDetected == []):
32             self.detectSymbols()
33             return self.dataDetected
34         else:
35             return self.dataDetected
36
37     # Function to detect the symbols in the recieved vector
38     # using the DFE Equalizer
39     def detectSymbols(self):
40         for x in range(0, len(self.r)):

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41         self.dataDetected.append(self.getSymbol(x))
42     # Function to detect a single symbol using
43     # DFE Equalizer algorithm
44     def getSymbol(self, time):
45         if(self.getDelta(time, 1) > self.getDelta(time, -1)):
46             return -1
47         else:
48             return 1
49
50     # Function to get the delta value for a single symbol
51     # symbol is the symbol we are estimating
52     # time is the time instance for the symbol we are getting the delta
53     def getDelta(self, time, symbol):
54         temp = 0
55         t = 0
56         for x in range(0, self.L):
57             if(x == 0):
58                 temp += self.c[x]*symbol
59             else:
60                 #if we havent detected the first l symbols
61                 if(len(self.dataDetected)+t < 0):
62                     temp += self.c[x]*1
63                 else:
64                     temp += self.c[x]*self.dataDetected[len(self.
dataDetected)+t]
65                 t = t-1
66             temp = np.abs(self.r[time] - temp) **2
67         return temp
68 ##### END OF CLASS IMPLEMENTATION
#####

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**Listing 3.** Python Source code for the DFE class - to execute a DFE signal estimation

```

1  # Mohamed Ameen Omar
2  # 16055323
3  #####
4  ###      EDC 310 Practical 2      ###
5  ###      2018                      ###
6  ###      MLSE- Viterbi Algotihm    ###
7  #####
8
9  import numpy as np
10 from question_3 import BPSKmodulationSimulation
11 import copy
12
13 '''
14 MY IMPLEMENTATION
15
16
17 trellisNode store the time, the state, the next states, the alpha, the
previous states of a node
18
19 first pass in the r,n,c
20
21 then it builds it by:

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22 assignedn fist node to 11 at t=0
23 then for every node, create its transistons and update all
24 including all alphas and deltas
25
26 to get path:
27 from left to right
28 check if there's contending, if not just add previous alpha to current
29 if there is, get alphas for each one, get smallest, remove all other
    deltas and continue until end
30 '''
31
32 # Class to represent a single node in the Viterbi Trellis
33 # used for the MLSE Equalizer
34 # Contains the time, the alpha value(sum of deltas along cheapest path to
    node),
35 # the state of the node, all previous states it is connected to and all
    next states (time > node's time)
36 # it is connected to
37 class trellisNode:
38     def __init__(self, state, time):
39         self.nextStates = []
40         self.previousStates = []
41         self.time = time
42         self.state = state
43         self.deltas = [] #delta array corresponding to the order of
    previous States
44         self.alpha = 0
45         #Add a new state that the current node is connected to.
46         def addNext(self, state):
47             self.nextStates.append(state)
48         # Add a previous state that the node is connected to
49         def addPrevious(self, state):
50             self.previousStates.append(state)
51 ##### END OF CLASS #####
52
53 #class that conducts the MLSE algorithm for ANY BPSK modulated signal
54 # Requires:
55 # @param N = the number of data bits in the recieved signal
56 # @param r = the recieved vector of bits
57 # @param c = the Channel Impulse response for the channel
58
59 # it will build the trellis, thereafter calculate all deltas for all
    states or nodes in the trellis.
60 # then compute the cheapest path and disregard any nodes elliminated
61 class MLSE:
62     def __init__(self, N = 0, r = [], c = []):
63         self.n = N #data bits
64         self.symbols = [1, -1] # modulation symbols
65         self.r = r #recieved symbols
66         self.c = c #Convolution matrix
67         self.trellisLength = self.n + len(self.c) - 1 #Trellis will be up
    to time T
68         self.numStates = len(self.symbols)*(len(self.c) - 1)
69         self.numHT = len(c) - 1
70         self.Trellis = np.empty(shape=(self.numStates, self.trellisLength
    +1), dtype=trellisNode)

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71     self.detected = [] #detected symbols from trellis
72     self.entireStream = [] #entire detected stream including head and
    tail
73     self.dataDetected = [] #data bits detected
74
75 #print all properties of the problem to which MLSE is applied
76 def printProperties(self):
77     print("Number of data bits:", self.n)
78     print("Signal recieved:", self.r)
79     print("Convolution Matrix (C): ", self.c)
80     print("Trellis Length (L): ", self.trellisLength)
81     print("Number of states:", self.numStates)
82     print("Number of Head and Tail symbols:", self.numHT)
83     print("Modulation Symbols:", self.symbols)
84
85 # Function to build the viterbi trellis
86 # will begin with the first node state being = 1,1; following
    convention.
87 # assigning fist node to 11 at t=0
88 # then for every node, create its transitions and update all
89 # including all alphas and deltas
90 def buildTrellis(self, startState = [1,1]):
91     self.Trellis[0][0] = trellisNode(startState, 0)
92     numBits = len(startState)
93     #for every node in the trellis compute the nodes it
94     # will transition to
95     for t in range(0,self.trellisLength):
96         for s in range(0,self.numStates):
97             # check if this is none
98             if self.Trellis[s][t] is None:
99                 continue
100             else:
101                 #get all states:
102                 allStates = []
103                 tempState = []
104                 #only upward transitions
105                 if(t >= self.trellisLength-2):
106                     tempState.append(1)
107                     for x in range(0,numBits-1):
108                         tempState.append(self.Trellis[s][t].state[x])
109                     allStates.append(tempState)
110                 #both 1,-1
111                 else:
112                     for x in range(0,len(self.symbols)):
113                         tempState = []
114                         tempState.append(self.symbols[x])
115                         for y in range(0, numBits-1):
116                             tempState.append(self.Trellis[s][t].state
117 [y])
118                             allStates.append(tempState)
119                 #now we have all states
120                 for index in range(0,len(allStates)):
121                     newState = allStates[index]
122                     stateIndex = self.getStateIndex(newState)
123                     prevNode = self.Trellis[s][t]
124                     if self.Trellis[stateIndex][t+1] is None:

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124         self.Trellis[stateIndex][t+1] = trellisNode(
newState, t+1)
125
126         newNode = self.Trellis[stateIndex][t+1]
127         prevNode.addNext(newNode)
128         delta = self.computeDelta(t+1, prevNode.state,
newState)
129         newNode.deltas.append(delta)
130         newNode.alpha = delta
131         newNode.addPrevious(prevNode)
132
133     # Function to print all the deltas for all the nodes in the Viterbi
Trellis
134     def printAllDeltas(self):
135         for t in range(1, self.trellisLength+1):
136             for s in range(0, self.numStates):
137                 myNode = self.Trellis[s][t]
138                 if (myNode is None):
139                     continue
140                 for prev in range(0, len(myNode.previousStates)):
141                     print("Delta", myNode.time, "from", self.
getStateIndex(myNode.previousStates[prev].state), "to", self.
getStateIndex(myNode.state), "is", myNode.deltas[prev] )
142                     print()
143
144     # Return the state index [1,1] = 0 and [1,-1] = 1 , and so forth
145     def getStateIndex(self, state):
146         if (state == [1,1]):
147             return 0
148
149         if (state == [1, -1]):
150             return 1
151
152         if (state == [-1, 1]):
153             return 2
154
155         if (state == [-1, -1]):
156             return 3
157
158     # Function to perform a delta calculation from state1 to state 2
@time = @param time
159     #state 1 is the state originating, state 2 is the state going to
160     def computeDelta(self, time, state1, state2):
161         temp = 0
162         for x in range(0, len(self.c)):
163             if (x < len(state2)):
164                 temp += self.c[x]*state2[x]
165             else:
166                 temp += self.c[x]*state1[x-len(state2) +1]
167         temp = np.abs(self.r[time-1] - temp)**2
168         return temp
169
170     # Function to calculate the cheapest path and in extension estimate
the
171     # symbols recieved. Must build the trellis before calling this
function

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172     # to get path:
173     # from left to right
174     # check if there's contending, if not just add previous alpha to
    current
175     # if there is, get alphas for each one, get smallest, remove all
    other deltas and continue until end
176     def cheapestPath(self):
177         for t in range(0, self.trellisLength+1):
178             for s in range(0, self.numStates):
179                 if (self.Trellis[s][t] is None):
180                     continue
181                 #if more than one state connected (contending)
182                 if (len(self.Trellis[s][t].previousStates) > 1):
183                     #get smallest delta
184                     #delete all other previous states, all other deltas,
    store complete path alpha
185                     bestIndex = 0 #index of node with the best or
    shortest path so far
186                     #just set to first
187                     bestAlpha = self.Trellis[s][t].previousStates[0].
    alpha + self.Trellis[s][t].deltas[0]
188                     for x in range(1, len(self.Trellis[s][t].
    previousStates)):
189                         tempAlpha = self.Trellis[s][t].previousStates[x].
    alpha + self.Trellis[s][t].deltas[x]
190                         if (tempAlpha < bestAlpha):
191                             bestIndex = x
192                             bestAlpha = tempAlpha
193                             self.Trellis[s][t].alpha = bestAlpha
194                             self.Trellis[s][t].deltas = [ self.Trellis[s][t].
    deltas[bestIndex] ]
195                             self.Trellis[s][t].previousStates = [ self.Trellis[s]
    ][t].previousStates[bestIndex] ]
196                     else:
197                         #compute the alpha
198                         if (len(self.Trellis[s][t].previousStates) == 0):
199                             continue
200                         self.Trellis[s][t].alpha += self.Trellis[s][t].
    previousStates[0].alpha
201
202     myTemp = self.Trellis[0][-1]
203     self.detected = [myTemp.state[0]] + self.detected #this is just
    from the trellis
204     myTemp = myTemp.previousStates[0]
205     while (myTemp.time > 0 ):
206         self.detected = [myTemp.state[0]] + self.detected
207         myTemp = myTemp.previousStates[0]
208         self.detected = [myTemp.state[0]] + self.detected #add t=0
209         self.entireStream = copy.deepcopy(self.detected) #with head and
    tail
210     while (len(self.entireStream) != (self.n+self.numHT+self.numHT)):
211         self.entireStream = [1] + self.entireStream
212
213     streamLength = len(self.entireStream)
214     for x in range(0, streamLength):
215         if (x < self.numHT or streamLength-x <= self.numHT):

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216         continue
217     else:
218         self.dataDetected.append(self.entireStream[x])
219
220     # Start with building the trellis
221     # have the deltas and all previous and next states for each node
222     # compute the alpha values for all = total path cost including the
    current node so far
223     '''
224     go through from the last and add the remaining nodes in the Trellis
    that are connected
225     '''
226
227 ##### END OF CLASS #####

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**Listing 4. Python Source code for - to execute the MLSE Viterbi algorithm for signal estimation**

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3 #####
4 ###      EDC 310 Practical 2      ###
5 ###          2018          ###
6 ###      Simulation      ###
7 #####
8
9 import numpy as np
10 from question_3 import BPSKmodulationSimulation
11 from MLSE import MLSE
12 import copy
13 from DFE import DFE
14 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
15
16 # Class to perform a simulation of the
17 # BER for the Viterbi MLSE and DFE symbol
18 # estimation methods
19 # The class takes in the number of data
20 # bits and the linear declining channel impulse response
21 # vector as constructor parameters
22 class Simulation:
23     def __init__(self, n = 300, linC = [], numIterations = 20):
24         self.BpskSimulation = BPSKmodulationSimulation(n)
25         self.linC = linC
26         self.n = n
27         self.numIterations = numIterations
28
29     # Function to perform the Viterbi MLSE simulation
30     # with a Gaussian random Channel Impulse Response
31     # returns the BER array
32     # simulation runs for @param self.numIterations, for each
33     # SNR in the range (-4,9)
34     def viterbiRandomCIR(self):
35         numIter = self.numIterations
36         print("Conducting a MLSE BPSK simulation with a Uniform Random
    CIR")
37         BER = [] #store the average BER for each SNR

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38         for SNR in range(-4, 9): #9
39             tempBER = [] #to store all the iterations for one SNR
40             for count in range(0, numIter):
41                 # generate 300 bits
42                 myDataBits = self.BpskSimulation.generateBits() #raw data
43                 bits
44                 # map bits to symbols
45                 modulatedSignal = self.BpskSimulation.BpskModulate(
46                     myDataBits)
47                 # add tail
48                 for x in range(0, len(self.linC) - 1):
49                     modulatedSignal.append(1)
50                 # add convolution
51                 randomCIR = self.generateRandomCIR(SNR)
52                 convolutedSignal = self.channelModification(randomCIR,
53                     modulatedSignal)
54                 signalSent = self.BpskSimulation.addNoise(SNR,
55                     convolutedSignal)
56                 # check MLSE
57                 myMLSE = MLSE(self.n, signalSent, randomCIR)
58                 myMLSE.buildTrellis()
59                 myMLSE.cheapestPath()
60                 # get data bits
61                 dataDetected = myMLSE.dataDetected
62                 # demodulate
63                 demodulatedSignal = self.BpskSimulation.BpskDemodulate(
64                     dataDetected)
65                 # compare
66                 tempBER.append(self.BpskSimulation.getNumErrors(
67                     myDataBits, demodulatedSignal)/self.n)
68                 del myMLSE
69                 del modulatedSignal
70                 del convolutedSignal
71                 del demodulatedSignal
72                 BER.append( (sum(tempBER)/len(tempBER)) )
73             return BER
74
75 # Function to perform the Viterbi MLSE simulation
76 # with a Linear Declining Channel Impulse Response
77 # returns the BER array
78 # simulation runs for @param self.numIterations, for each
79 # SNR in the range (-4,9)
80 def viterbiLinearCIR(self):
81     numIter = self.numIterations
82     print("Conducting a MLSE BPSK simulation with a linear declining
83     CIR")
84     BER = [] #store the average BER for each SNR
85     for SNR in range(-4, 9): #9
86         tempBER = [] #to store all the iterations for one SNR
87         for count in range(0, numIter):
88             # generate 300 bits
89             myDataBits = self.BpskSimulation.generateBits() #raw data
90             bits
91             # map bits to symbols
92             modulatedSignal = self.BpskSimulation.BpskModulate(

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myDataBits)
86         # add tail
87         for x in range(0, len(self.linC) - 1):
88             modulatedSignal.append(1)
89         # add convolution
90         convolutedSignal = self.channelModification(self.linC ,
modulatedSignal)
91         signalSent = self.BpskSimulation.addNoise(SNR,
convolutedSignal)
92         # check MLSE
93         myMLSE = MLSE(self.n, signalSent , self.linC)
94         myMLSE.buildTrellis()
95         myMLSE.cheapestPath()
96         # get data bits
97         dataDetected = myMLSE.dataDetected
98         # demodulate
99         demodulatedSignal = self.BpskSimulation.BpskDemodulate(
dataDetected)
100        # compare
101        tempBER.append(self.BpskSimulation.getNumErrors(
myDataBits , demodulatedSignal)/self.n)
102        del myMLSE
103        del modulatedSignal
104        del convolutedSignal
105        del demodulatedSignal
106        BER.append( (sum(tempBER)/len(tempBER) ))
107        return BER
108
109        # Function to perform the DFE simulation
110        # with a Linear Declining Channel Impulse Response
111        # returns the BER array
112        # simulation runs for @param self.numIterations, for each
113        # SNR in the range (-4,9)
114        def dfeLinearCIR(self):
115            numIter = self.numIterations
116            print("Conducting a DFE BPSK simulation with a linear declining
CIR")
117            BER = [] #store the average BER for each SNR
118            for SNR in range(-4, 9): #9
119                tempBER = [] #to store all the interations for one SNR
120                for count in range(0, numIter):
121                    # generate 300 bits
122                    myDataBits = self.BpskSimulation.generateBits() #raw data
bits
123                    # map bits to symbols
124                    modulatedSignal = self.BpskSimulation.BpskModulate(
myDataBits)
125                    # add convolution
126                    convolutedSignal = self.channelModification(self.linC ,
modulatedSignal)
127                    signalSent = self.BpskSimulation.addNoise(SNR,
convolutedSignal)
128                    # check DFE
129                    myDFE = DFE(self.n, signalSent , self.linC)
130                    # get data bits
131                    dataDetected = myDFE.getDataSymbols()

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132         # demodulate
133         demodulatedSignal = self.BpskSimulation.BpskDemodulate(
dataDetected)
134         # compare
135         tempBER.append(self.BpskSimulation.getNumErrors(
myDataBits, demodulatedSignal)/self.n)
136         del myDFE
137         del modulatedSignal
138         del convolutedSignal
139         del demodulatedSignal
140         BER.append((sum(tempBER)/len(tempBER)))
141     return BER
142
143     # Function to perform the DFE simulation
144     # with a Gaussian random Channel Impulse Response
145     # returns the BER array
146     # simulation runs for @param self.numIterations, for each
147     # SNR in the range (-4,9)
148     def dfeRandomCIR(self):
149         numIter = self.numIterations
150         print("Conducting a DFE BPSK simulation with a Uniform Random CIR
")
151         BER = [] #store the average BER for each SNR
152         for SNR in np.arange(-4, 9): #9
153             tempBER = [] #to store all the iterations for one SNR
154             for count in range(0, numIter):
155                 # generate 300 bits
156                 myDataBits = self.BpskSimulation.generateBits() #raw data
bits
157                 # map bits to symbols
158                 modulatedSignal = self.BpskSimulation.BpskModulate(
myDataBits)
159                 # add convolution
160                 randomCIR = self.generateRandomCIR(SNR)
161                 convolutedSignal = self.channelModification(randomCIR,
modulatedSignal)
162                 signalSent = self.BpskSimulation.addNoise(SNR,
convolutedSignal)
163                 # check DFE
164                 myDFE = DFE(self.n, signalSent, randomCIR)
165                 # get data bits
166                 dataDetected = myDFE.getDataSymbols()
167                 # demodulate
168                 demodulatedSignal = self.BpskSimulation.BpskDemodulate(
dataDetected)
169                 # compare
170                 tempBER.append(self.BpskSimulation.getNumErrors(
myDataBits, demodulatedSignal)/self.n)
171                 del myDFE
172                 del modulatedSignal
173                 del convolutedSignal
174                 del demodulatedSignal
175                 BER.append((sum(tempBER)/len(tempBER)))
176             return BER
177
178     #returns a random CIR with "values" elements

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179 # Requires the SNR ratio of the channel
180 # uses the Gaussian random number generator implemented in practical
181 # 1.
182 def generateRandomCIR(self, SNR, values=3):
183     c = []
184     for x in range(0, values):
185         temp = self.BpskSimulation.numberGenerator.gaussian(
stdDeviation=self.BpskSimulation.getStdDev(SNR))
186         temp = temp/(np.sqrt(3))
187         c.append(temp)
188         temp = 0
189     return c
190
191 # pass in just the symbols.
192 # return symbols with channel response.
193 # function to add the effects of the channel to the stream of
194 # symbols being sent. (Apply the CIR)
195 def channelModification(self, cir, stream):
196     returnStream = copy.deepcopy(stream)
197     for x in range(0, len(stream)):
198         temp1 = 0 #sk-2
199         temp2 = 0 #sk-1
200         if (x-2 < 0):
201             temp1 = 1
202         else:
203             temp1 = stream[x-2]
204         if (x-1 < 0):
205             temp2 = 1
206         else:
207             temp2 = stream[x-1]
208         returnStream[x] = (stream[x]*cir[0] + temp2*cir[1] + temp1*
cir[2])
209     return returnStream
210
211 # Function to perform the simulation of all 4 situations
212 # DFE linear CIR, DFE Gaussian Random CIR, MLSE linear CIR and MLSE
213 # Gaussian Random CIR.
214 # Plots all four simulations on the same plot
215 def simulate(self):
216     print("Plotting all")
217     SNR = np.linspace(-4, 8, 13)
218     viterbiLinDec = self.viterbiLinearCIR()
219     viterbiRandom = self.viterbiRandomCIR()
220     dfeRandom = self.dfeRandomCIR()
221     dfeLin = self.dfeLinearCIR()
222     plt.semilogy(SNR, viterbiLinDec, 'r-', label='Viterbi MLSE Linear
Declining CIR')
223     plt.semilogy(SNR, viterbiRandom, 'g-', label='Viterbi MLSE Random
CIR')
224     plt.semilogy(SNR, dfeRandom, 'b-', label='DFE Random CIR')
225     plt.semilogy(SNR, dfeLin, 'y-', label='DFE Linear Declining CIR')
226     plt.grid(which='both')
227     plt.ylabel("BER")
228     plt.xlabel("SNR")
229     plt.title("Plot of the BER vs SNR for the BPSK Simulation

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229         conducted with Viterbi MLSE and DFE Equalizers")
230         plt.legend(loc='best')
231         plt.show()
232         print("Complete")
233
234 # n = number of data bits (300)
235 # c = linear declining CIR
236 # numIterations = number of iterations to take the average of, before
237 # plotting - adjust as needed.
238 # if commented - uncomment the last line
239 # "mySim.simulate()" to run the simulation and retrieve the plot
240 n = 300
241 c = [0.89,0.42,0.12]
242 numIterations = 50
243 mySim = Simulation(n,c, numIterations)
244 mySim.simulate()

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**Listing 5. Python Source code to execute the simulation of all 4 simulations**