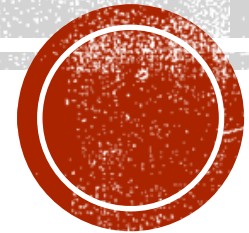


BLIND DIGITAL MODULATION IDENTIFICATION USING NEURAL NETWORKS & HIGHER ORDER STATISTICS

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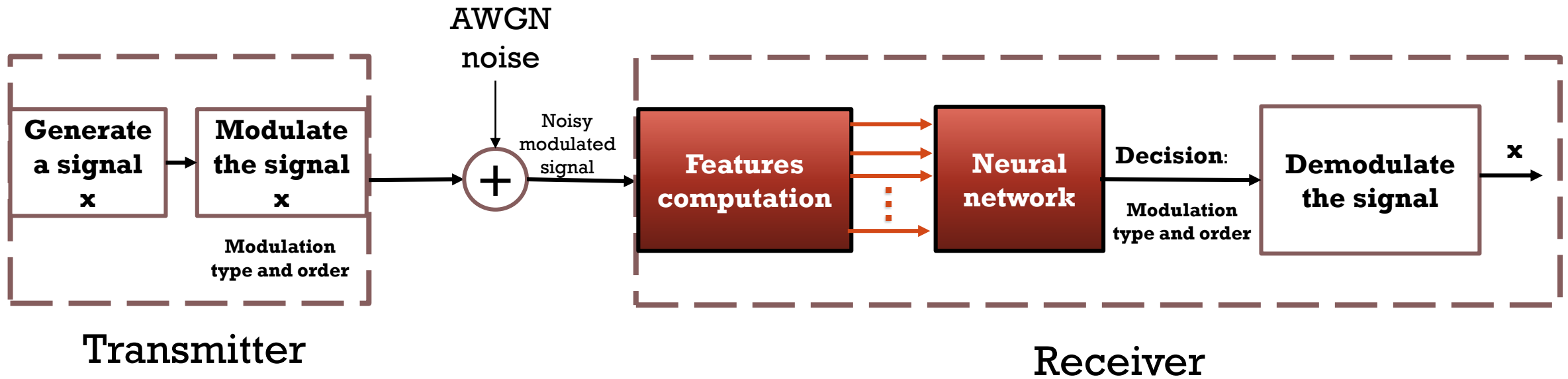


INTRODUCTION

- Blind digital modulation identification for 2*2 MIMO systems: to discriminate among different M-ary shift keying linear modulation schemes without any priori signal information
- Applications: cognitive radios, military surveillance...
- Neural networks NN (Pattern recognition NN) are used for classification digital modulations
- Used features for the NN: higher order statistical moments and cumulants of the received signal
- Matlab: Digital communication & neural networks toolboxes



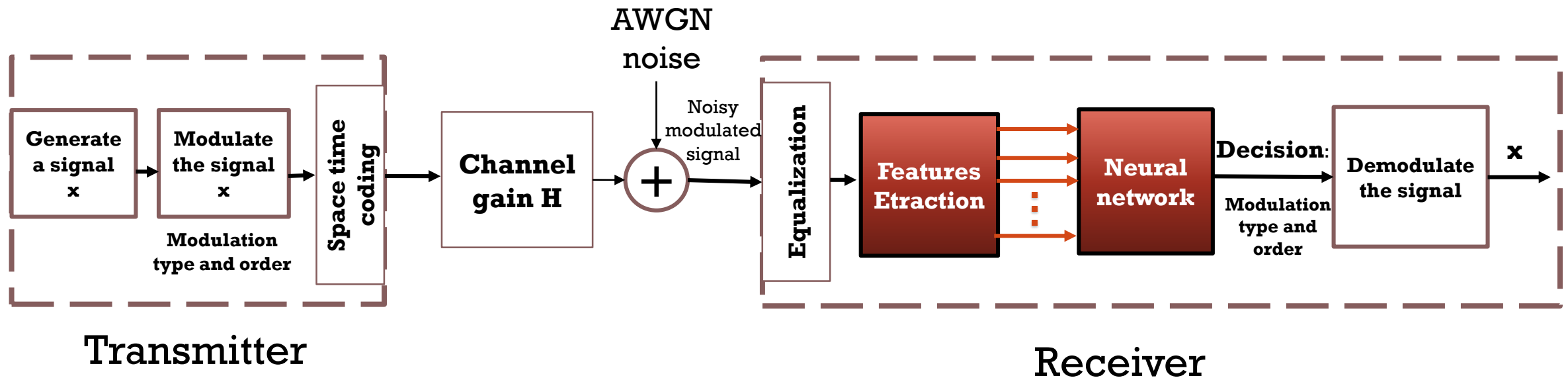
SYSTEM MODEL



Simplified scheme of the communication system



SYSTEM MODEL



Scheme of the communication system



FEATURES

- Many recent works have shown that one of the best candidates for signal identification are higher order moments and cumulants of the received signal.

- Moments: $M_{km}(x) = E[x^k (x^*)^{k-m}]$

$$\approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{p=1}^N x^{k-m}(i) (x^*(i))^m$$

- Cumulants:

$$C_{km}(x) = Cum \left[\underbrace{x, \dots, x}_{(k-m) \text{ times}} \underbrace{x^*, \dots, x^*}_{m \text{ times}} \right]$$

$$Cum[x, y, z, w] = E(xyzw) - E(xy)E(zw) - E(xz)E(yw) - E(xw)E(yz)$$

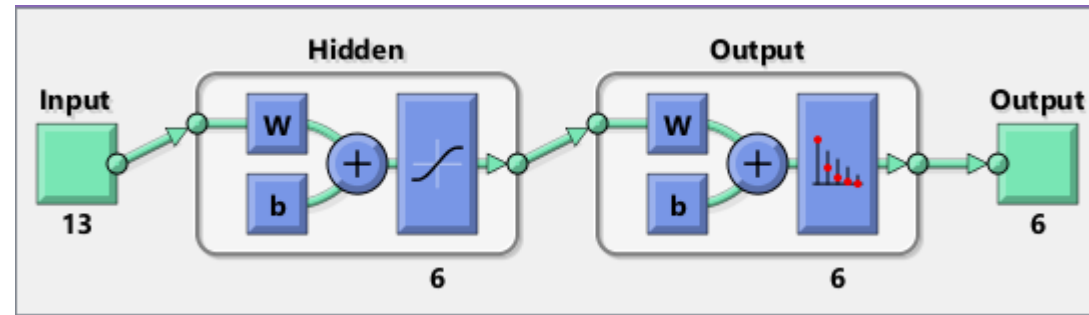
- Closed form expressions

TABLE I
SOME THEORETICAL STATISTICAL MOMENTS AND CUMULANTS VALUES
FOR DIFFERENT MODULATION SCHEMES OF INTEREST [1], [5], [7]

| | 2-PSK | 4-PSK | 8-PSK | 4-ASK | 8-ASK | 16-QAM | 64-QAM |
|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|
| C20 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| M40 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1.64 | 1.77 | -0.67 | -0.18 |
| M41 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1.64 | 1.77 | 0 | 0 |
| M42 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1.64 | 1.77 | 1.32 | 1.34 |
| C40 | -2 | 1 | 0 | -1.36 | -1.24 | -0.68 | -0.62 |
| C41 | -2 | 0 | 0 | -1.36 | -1.24 | 0 | 0 |
| C42 | -2 | -1 | -1 | -1.36 | -1.24 | -0.68 | -0.62 |
| M60 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2.92 | 3.62 | 0 | 0 |
| M61 | 1 | -1 | 0 | 2.92 | 3.62 | -1.32 | 0.38 |
| M63 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2.92 | 3.62 | 1.96 | 2.08 |
| C60 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 8.32 | 7.19 | 0 | 0 |
| C61 | 16 | -4 | 0 | 8.32 | 7.19 | 2.08 | 1.8 |
| C62 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 8.32 | 7.19 | 0 | 0 |
| C63 | 16 | 4 | 4 | 8.32 | 7.19 | 2.08 | 1.8 |



NEURAL NETWORK DIAGRAM









- Feedforward NN – Backpropagation scaled conjugate gradient
- 13 Input features
- 6 Hidden layers + 6 Output layers
- 6 Outputs or 6 classes: 2-PSK, 4-PSK, 8-PSK, 8-QAM, 16-QAM, 64-QAM
Optimally 1 for the right class and 0 for others, but when decision is not fully sure, values between 0 and 1 and the maximum is the most probable class



NEURAL NETWORK TRAINING

- **Example:**

- Low noise: SNR = 15 dB (Useful signal \approx 30 times Noise)
- 13*(1000*6) input training matrix: 13 input features * 1000 samples for each of the 6 class

| | | |
|--|---|--------------|
|  Randomly divide up the 6000 samples: | | |
|  Training: | 70% | 4200 samples |
|  Validation: | 15%  | 900 samples |
|  Testing: | 15%  | 900 samples |

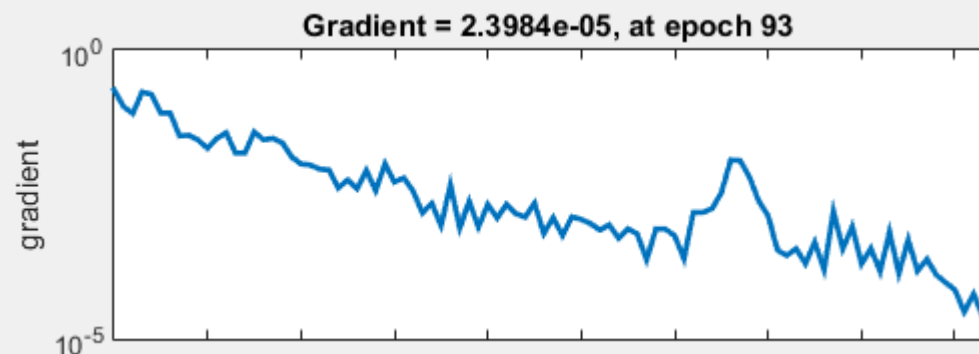


Algorithms

Data Division: Random (dividerand)
 Training: Scaled Conjugate Gradient (trainscg)
 Performance: Cross-Entropy (crossentropy)
 Calculations: MEX

Progress

Epoch: 0 93 iterations 1000
 Time: 0:00:01
 Performance: 0.462 1.95e-05 0.00
 Gradient: 0.204 2.40e-05 1.00e-06
 Validation Checks: 0 6 6



Training Confusion Matrix

| Output Class | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------|
| 1 | 687 16.4% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 100% |
| 2 | 0 0.0% | 663 15.8% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 100% |
| 3 | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 713 17.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 100% |
| 4 | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 702 16.7% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 100% |
| 5 | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 715 17.0% | 0 0.0% | 100% |
| 6 | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 720 17.1% | 100% |
| | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Target Class | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | |

Validation Confusion Matrix

| Output Class | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------|
| 1 | 161 17.9% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 100% |
| 2 | 0 0.0% | 163 18.1% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 100% |
| 3 | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 142 15.8% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 100% |
| 4 | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 150 16.7% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 100% |
| 5 | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 144 16.0% | 0 0.0% | 100% |
| 6 | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 140 15.6% | 100% |
| | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Target Class | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | |

Test Confusion Matrix

| Output Class | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------|
| 1 | 152 16.9% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 100% |
| 2 | 0 0.0% | 174 19.3% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 100% |
| 3 | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 145 16.1% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 100% |
| 4 | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 148 16.4% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 100% |
| 5 | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 141 15.7% | 0 0.0% | 100% |
| 6 | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 140 15.6% | 100% |
| | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Target Class | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | |

All Confusion Matrix

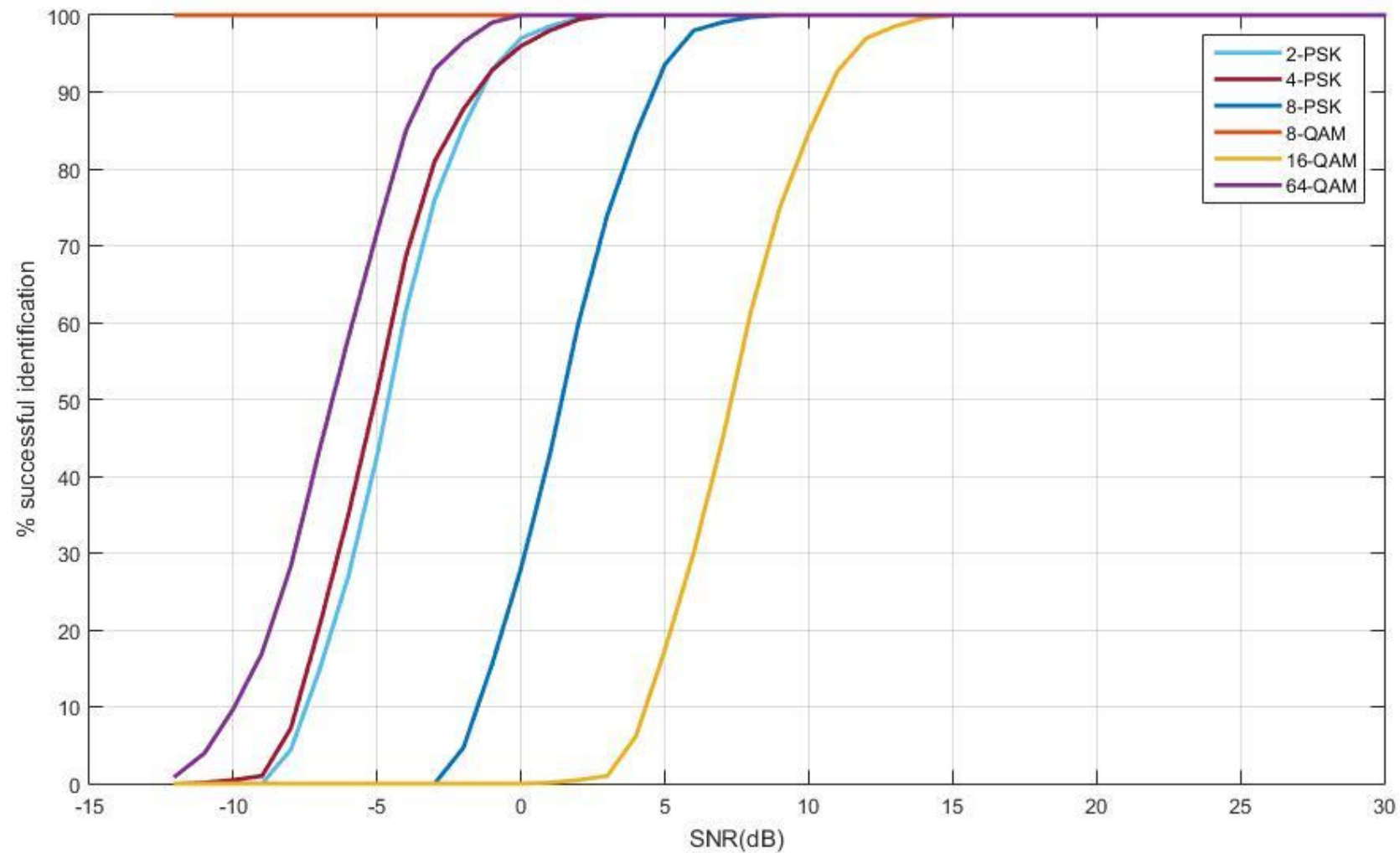
| Output Class | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | |
|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|------|
| 1 | 1000 16.7% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 100% |
| 2 | 0 0.0% | 1000 16.7% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 100% |
| 3 | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 1000 16.7% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 100% |
| 4 | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 1000 16.7% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 100% |
| 5 | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 1000 16.7% | 0 0.0% | 100% |
| 6 | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% | 1000 16.7% | 100% |
| | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Target Class | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | |

MONTE-CARLO SIMULATION $N=10^5$ SAMPLES FOR THE SAME SNR=15 dB

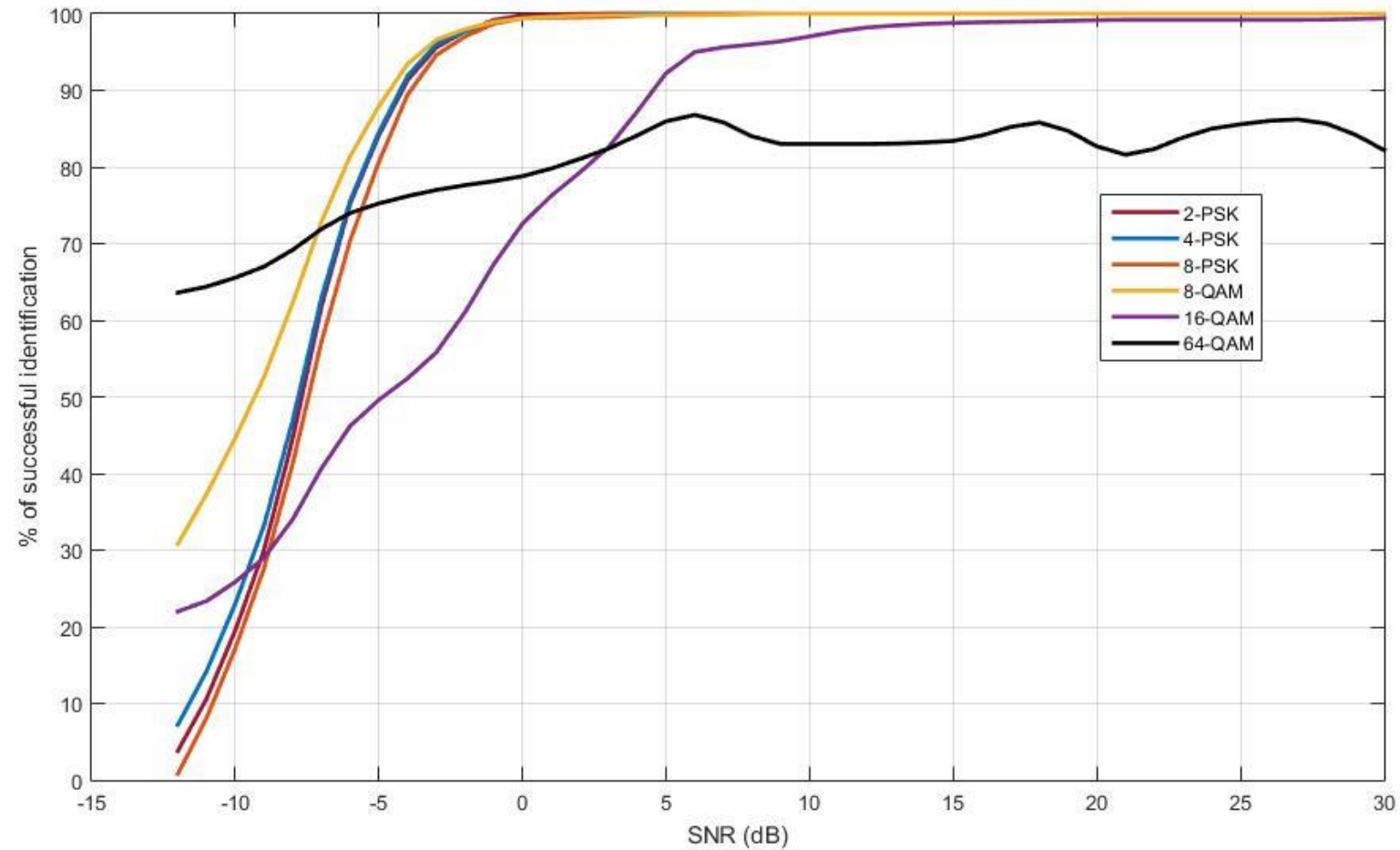
| Modulation | 2-PSK | 4-PSK | 8-PSK | 8-QAM | 16-QAM | 64-QAM |
|-----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|
| % successful identification | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 98,63 | 93,45 |



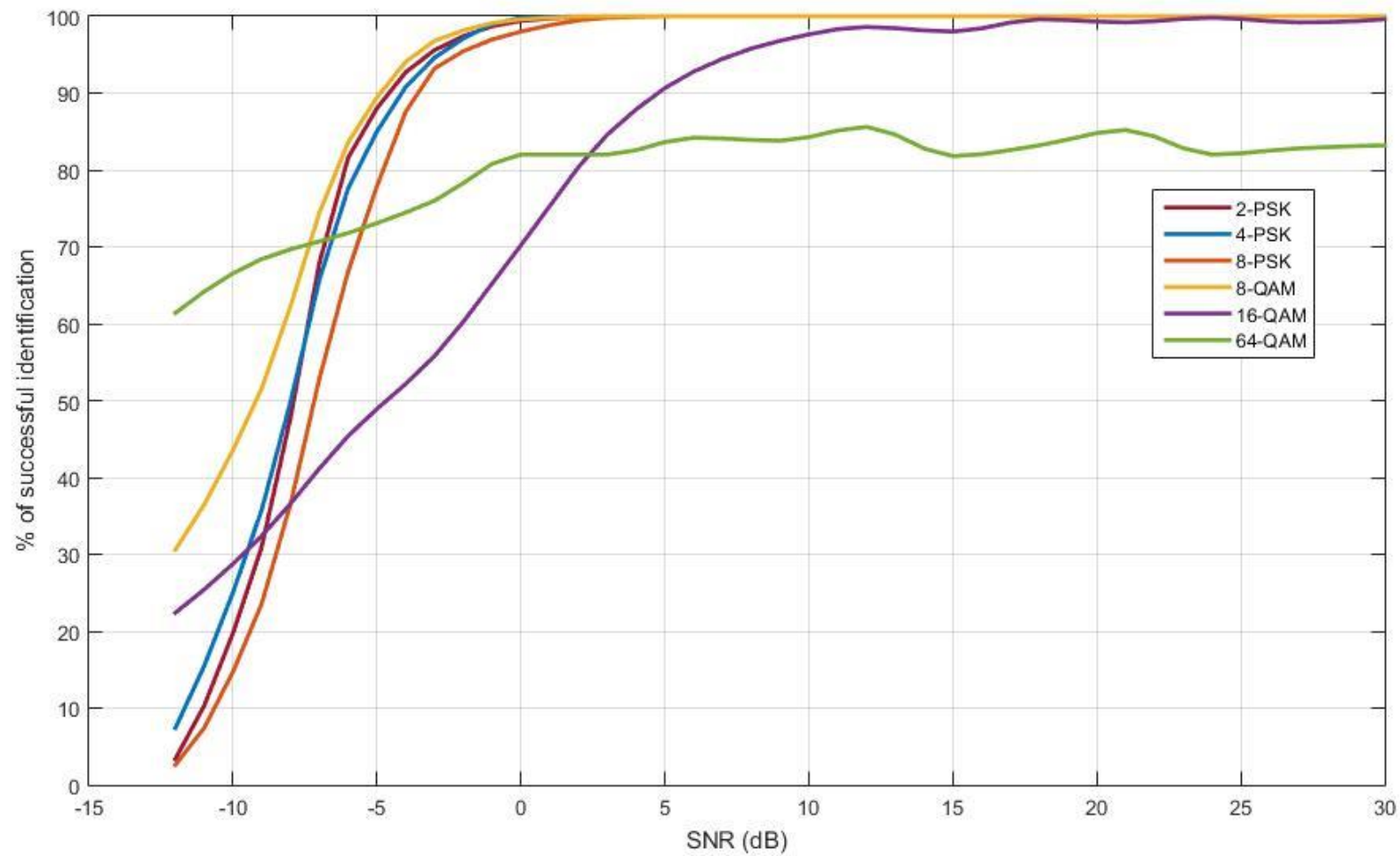
SNR EFFECT (NN TRAINED AT 15dB)



NN TRAINED AT 3dB



NN TRAINED AT -9dB

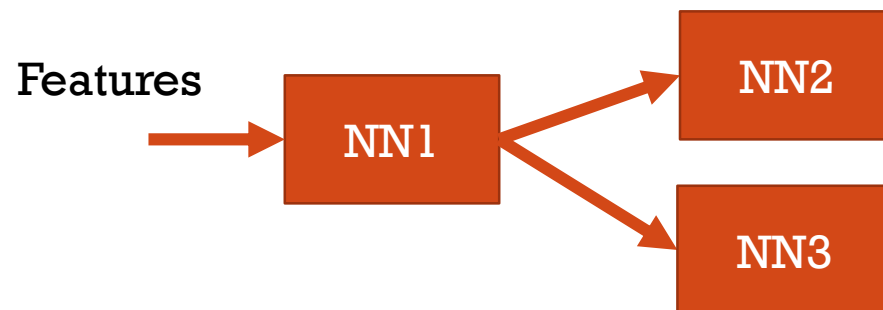


IDEAS

- Performance affected by SNR in training and in identification

→ idea: consider several NNs:

- ✓ 2 NN depending on the SNR: High and low SNR
- ✓ 3 NN: one, NN1, to detect modulation type as a first step, then use one of the two others NN2/NN3 to detect the order of the modulation



NN CASCADE TRAINED AT 3dB

