

COM5120 Communication Theory

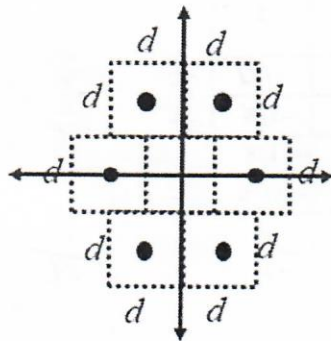
Midterm II

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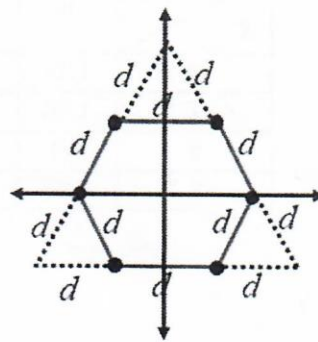
Date: 12/16/2021 (Thursday), 18:30pm – 21:00pm

Note: Total of 120 points for the Midterm Exam of 6 problems in two pages. Closed book(s). Open one sheet of A4 size note (two sides). Non-programmable calculator is allowed if you feel necessary.

1. (20%) Consider the following two M -ary QAM constellations, A and B, with $M = 6$. In constellation A, the modulation symbols are at the center of squares with length d on each side. In constellation B, the modulation symbols are on the vertex of regular triangles with length d on each side. The modulations are transmitted over the AWGN channel with noise distribution function $\sim N(0, N_0/2)$.



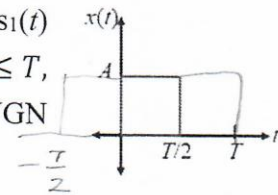
Constellation A



Constellation B

- (a) (7%) Let $d = \sqrt{E_0}$, please determine the constellation figure of merit (CFM) of both constellations.
- (b) (7%) Please determine and compare the symbol error probabilities of A and B.
- (c) (6%) Please determine the average SNR per bit for A and B.

2. (20%) A binary communication scheme uses two equiprobable signals $s_1(t)$ and $s_2(t)$, where $s_1(t) = x(t)$, $0 \leq t \leq T$, $s_2(t) = x(t - T/2)$, $0 \leq t \leq T$, and $x(t)$ is shown as follows. The power spectral density of the AWGN noise is $N_0/2$.



- (a) (7%) Design an optimal matched filter receiver for this system. Carefully label the diagram and determine all the required parameters.
- (b) (7%) Determine the error probability for this communication system.
- (c) (6%) Show that the receiver can be implemented using only one matched filter.
3. (20%) Two equiprobable messages m_1 and m_2 are transmitted through a channel with input X and output Y relate by $Y = \alpha X + N$, where N is zero-mean AWGN with variance $N_0/2$ and α is a random variable independent of noise.

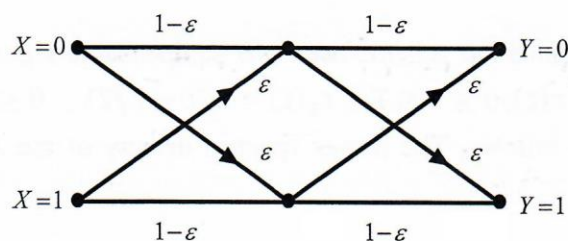
- (a) (5%) Assume X is antipodal signaling, $X = \pm A$ with equal probability and $\alpha = 0.5$ with probability = 1. What is the optimal decision rule and the resulting error probability?
- (b) (5%) Following (a), but $\alpha = \pm 1$ with equal probability. What is the optimal decision rule and the resulting error probability?
- (c) (5%) Following (a), but $\alpha = 0$ or 1 with equal probability. What is the optimal decision rule and the resulting error probability?
- (d) (5%) Assuming equally probable on-off signaling (i.e. $X = 0$ or A) and $\alpha = 0$ or 1 with equal probability. What is the optimal decision rule?

4. (24%) Given random variables X and Y and let the joint probability distribution $p(x, y)$ takes the following table.

$X \backslash Y$	0	1	2
0	$1/16$	$1/32$	$1/32$
1	$1/16$	$1/16$	$1/8$
2	$1/4$	$1/16$	$1/8$
3	$1/16$	$1/16$	$1/16$

Please find

- (a) $H(X)$, $H(Y)$, and $H(X, Y)$.
- (b) $H(X|Y)$, $H(Y|X)$.
- (c) $I(X; Y)$
- (d) Suppose that $Z = X + Y \bmod 4$. Find $I(X; Y|Z)$.
5. (24%) Consider a relay transmission system that employs cascading the binary symmetric channels with the same cross-over error probability as follows. The prior probability of $P(X=0) = p$, and $P(X=1) = 1-p$.



- (a) (8%) Determine the average error probability at the destination.
- (b) (8%) Determine the distribution of $P(X = 0)$ and $P(X = 1)$ that maximizes the capacity,
- (c) (8%) Please calculate the capacity of this channel.
6. (12%) Consider an AWGN channel of power spectral density $N_0/2$. The bandwidth $B = 1\text{MHz}$ and $N_0 = 1\mu\text{W/Hz}$. Find the minimum energy per bit for reliable communications at bit rate $R_b = 2\text{Mbps}$.