

# COM 5232 Detection and Estimation Theory

## Midterm Exam

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*Note:* There are 5 problems with total 100 points within 2 pages, please write your answer with detail in the answer sheet.

**No credit without detail. No calculator. Closed books.**

1. (20%) Find the matrix prewhitener  $\mathbf{D}$  for the covariance matrix

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.5 \\ 0.5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

2. (20%) We wish to detect a damped exponential  $s[n] = Ar^n$ , where  $A$  is unknown and  $r$  is known ( $0 < r < 1$ ), in WGN with known variance  $\sigma^2$ . Under  $\mathcal{H}_0$ ,  $x[n] = w[n]$  and under  $\mathcal{H}_1$ ,  $x[n] = Ar^n + w[n]$  for  $n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$ . Show that the GLRT decides  $\mathcal{H}_1$  if  $\hat{A}^2 > \gamma'$ , where  $\hat{A}$  is the MLE of  $A$ , and equals to

$$\hat{A} = \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n]r^n}{\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} r^{2n}}.$$

3. (20%) Consider the detection of a signal  $s[n]$  embedded in WGN with variance  $\sigma^2$  based on the observed samples  $x[n]$ ,  $n = 0, 1, \dots, 2N-1$ . The signal is given by

$$s[n] = \begin{cases} -A & n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1 \\ 0 & n = N, N+1, \dots, 2N-1 \end{cases}$$

under  $\mathcal{H}_0$ ; and by

$$s[n] = \begin{cases} A & n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1 \\ 2A & n = N, N+1, \dots, 2N-1 \end{cases}$$

under  $\mathcal{H}_1$  and assume  $A > 0$ . Find the NP detector to the simplest form.

4. (20%) We wish to detect a random DC level  $A$  embedded in WGN with variance  $\sigma^2$ . Under  $\mathcal{H}_0$ ,  $x[n] = w[n]$  and under  $\mathcal{H}_1$ ,  $x[n] = A + w[n]$  for  $n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$ , where  $A \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_A^2)$ . Find the NP detector to the simplest form.

Hint : You can directly use the MMSE estimator of the signal,  
i.e.

$$\hat{\mathbf{s}} = \frac{\sigma_A^2}{\sigma_A^2 + \frac{\sigma^2}{N}} \bar{x} \mathbf{1}$$

where  $\bar{x}$  is the sample mean and  $\mathbf{1}$  is an  $N \times 1$  vector of all ones. Or use the matrix inversion lemma

$$(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^T)^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} - \frac{\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^T\mathbf{A}^{-1}}{1 + \mathbf{u}^T\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{u}}$$

to justify your answer.

5. (20%) Find the means and covariance for the random variables

$$\begin{aligned}\xi_1 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] \sin(2\pi f_0 n). \\ \xi_2 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] \cos(2\pi f_0 n)\end{aligned}$$

The data are  $x[n] = A \cos(2\pi f_0 n + \phi) + w[n]$ , where  $w[n]$  is WGN with variance  $\sigma^2$ . Assume that  $f_0$  is not near 0 or 1/2 and  $N$  is large enough so that any “double-frequency” term can be approximated as zero.

i.e.

$$\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \sin(4\pi f_0 n) \approx 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \cos(4\pi f_0 n) \approx 0$$


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