

Instructions:

200 points

Two pages of notes allowed. No other notes, books, tables of integrals, or calculators/personal computers permitted.

Notation: Gaussian density function: $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp -\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma} \right)^2$, $-\infty < x < \infty$.

$\Phi(x)$ = cumulative probability distribution function for standard Gaussian random variable

$Q(x) = 1 - \Phi(x)$

AWGN denotes additive (zero-mean) white Gaussian noise with power spectral density $N_0/2$. This random process is independent of the choice of transmitted signal.

$P_{e,i}$ = probability of error given that signal $s_i(t)$ was transmitted

Rayleigh density function: $f(r) = \frac{r}{2} \cdot \exp -\frac{r^2}{2}$, $r > 0$.

Rician density function: $f(r) = \frac{r}{2} \cdot I_0\left(\frac{rA}{2}\right) \cdot \exp -\frac{r^2-A^2}{2}$, $r > 0$, where $I_0(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \exp(x \cdot \cos \theta) d\theta$

Some more-or-less useless facts:

$\cos(A + B) = \cos(A)\cos(B) - \sin(A)\sin(B)$ $\sin(A+B) = \sin(A)\cos(B) + \cos(A)\sin(B)$

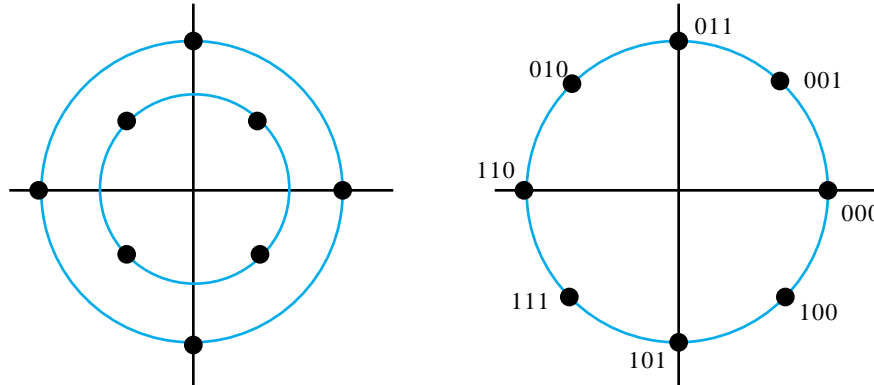
$2\cos^2(A) = 1 + \cos(2A)$ $2\sin^2(A) = 1 - \cos(2A)$

If $f_c T \gg 1$, then $\int_a^{a+T} \cos^2(2 f_c t) dt \approx \int_a^{a+T} \sin^2(2 f_c t) dt \approx T/2$ and $\int_a^{a+T} \cos(2 f_c t) \sin(2 f_c t) dt \approx 0$, with exact equality holding in both cases if $f_c T$ is an integer.

$\text{rect}(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } -1/2 \leq t \leq 1/2, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$ $X(t) \rightarrow X(-t)$ $x^*(t) \rightarrow X^*(-f)$ $x(t-t_0) \rightarrow X(f) \cdot \exp(-j2\pi f t_0)$ $x(t) \cdot \cos(2\pi f_0 t) \rightarrow (1/2)[X(f+f_0) + X(f-f_0)]$ $\frac{d}{dt} x(t) \rightarrow (j2\pi f) \cdot X(f)$ $x * y \rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) \cdot y(t-\tau) d\tau \rightarrow X(f) \cdot Y(f)$ $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) ^2 dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(f) ^2 df$ $R_{X,Y}(\tau) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t+\tau) \cdot y^*(t) dt$ $\text{rect}(t/T) \rightarrow T \cdot \text{sinc}(fT)$	$p_T(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } 0 \leq t < T, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$ $x(t) \rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(f) \cdot \exp(j2\pi f t) df$ $x^*(-t) \rightarrow X^*(f)$ $x(t) \cdot \exp(j2\pi f_0 t) \rightarrow X(f-f_0)$ $x(t) \cdot \sin(2\pi f_0 t) \rightarrow (j/2)[X(f+f_0) - X(f-f_0)]$ $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) \cdot \exp(j2\pi f t) dt \rightarrow X(f)$ $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) \cdot y(t) dt \rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(f) \cdot Y^*(f) df$ $R_{X,Y}(\tau) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t+\tau) \cdot y^*(t) dt \rightarrow S_{X,Y}(f) = X(f) Y^*(f)$ $W \cdot \text{sinc}(Wt) \rightarrow \text{rect}(f/W)$
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where $\text{sinc}(z) = \frac{\sin z}{z}$ is the *sinc function*

1. (60 points) A 2-dimensional 8-ary signal constellation is shown in the left-hand diagram below where 4 signals are a QPSK signal set lying on a circle of radius r_0 while the other 4 signals are a QPSK signal set lying on a circle of radius r_1 . The QPSK sets are rotated by $\pi/4$ with respect to one another. The signals are equally likely to be transmitted.



- (a) Express E_b , the **energy per bit**, of this signal set in terms of r_0 and r_1 .
- (b) Now, suppose that $r_0 = 1$ is fixed. Then, for two values of r_1 , the signal constellation forms a QAM signal set (or a QAM signal set rotated by $\pi/4$). What are these values of r_1 ? (Hint: one value of r_1 is smaller than 1 and the other is larger than 1)
- (c) Next, suppose that $r_0 = r_1 = \sqrt{E}$, so that the signal constellation is 8-ary PSK as illustrated in the diagram on the right above. On an AWGN channel with power spectral density $N_0/2$, what is the **nearest-neighbors approximation** to the symbol error probability?
- (d) State clearly **which** of the four statements (i)-(iv) below is true:
the answer that you gave in part (c) is
- (i) the *exact value* of the symbol error probability
 - (ii) an *upper bound* on the exact value of the symbol error probability
 - (iii) a *lower bound* on the exact value of the symbol error probability
 - (iv) neither an upper bound nor a lower bound, but *just an approximation* to the exact value of the symbol error probability
- (e) Continue to suppose that $r_0 = r_1 = \sqrt{E}$, so that the signal constellation is 8-ary PSK operating on an AWGN channel with power spectral density $N_0/2$. Assume that 3 data bits $\underline{\mathbf{b}} = (b_0 b_1 b_2)$ are mapped to the 8-PSK signal set using a Gray code as shown in the right-hand diagram above, and let $\hat{\underline{\mathbf{b}}} = (\hat{b}_0 \hat{b}_1 \hat{b}_2)$ denote the receiver output.
- Find $P\{\hat{b}_0 \neq b_0 \mid \underline{\mathbf{b}} = 000\}$ and $P\{\hat{b}_0 \neq b_0 \mid \underline{\mathbf{b}} = 001\}$. Use these results to find $P\{\hat{b}_0 \neq b_0\}$.
- Find $P\{\hat{b}_1 \neq b_1 \mid \underline{\mathbf{b}} = 000\}$ and $P\{\hat{b}_1 \neq b_1 \mid \underline{\mathbf{b}} = 001\}$. Use these results to find $P\{\hat{b}_1 \neq b_1\}$.
- Find $P\{\hat{b}_2 \neq b_2 \mid \underline{\mathbf{b}} = 000\}$ and $P\{\hat{b}_2 \neq b_2 \mid \underline{\mathbf{b}} = 100\}$. Use these results to find $P\{\hat{b}_2 \neq b_2\}$.

2. (50 points) An MSK signal consists of RF pulses of duration T at frequency $f_c + 1/(4T)$ or $f_c - 1/(4T)$ (depending on the data bits being transmitted). Assume that $f_c T$ is an integer.
- (a) Consider the RF pulse $A \cdot p_T(t) \cdot \cos(2\pi [f_c - 1/(4T)]t)$ passed through a narrowband filter with impulse response $h(t) = 2 \cdot p_T(t) \cdot \cos(2\pi [f_c + 1/(4T)]t)$. Calculate the complex envelope of the filter output with respect to a “center frequency” or “carrier frequency” of $f_1 = f_c + 1/(4T)$, and show that the output pulse can also be expressed as

$$(2AT/\pi) \cdot p_{2T}(t) \cdot \sin(\pi t/2T) \cdot \cos(2\pi f_c t).$$

Remember to use the narrowband approximations (and the trigonometric identities on the cover page of the exam!) in your calculations...

- (b) Now suppose that **two** successive RF pulses of the type considered in part (a) are passed through the filter. The output pulse thus has duration $3T$. Use linearity and superposition together with the result claimed in part (a) viz. the filter output is $(2AT/\pi) \cdot p_{2T}(t) \cdot \sin(\pi t/2T) \cdot \cos(2\pi f_c t)$ to deduce the output of the filter when the input is

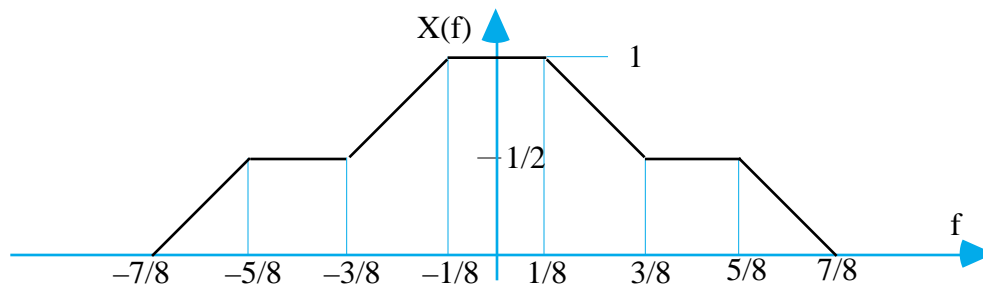
$$A \cdot [(-1)^{a_1} \cdot p_T(t) + (-1)^{a_2} \cdot p_T(t-T)] \cdot \cos(2\pi [f_c - 1/(4T)]t).$$

You need to specify the output during the time interval $[T, 2T]$ only.

- (c) How is the frequency of the filter output signal during the time interval $[T, 2T]$ related to the data bits a_1 and a_2 ?

Note that the filter input is just a standard binary PSK signal at carrier frequency $f_c - 1/(4T)$ but the output (during $[T, 2T]$) is an MSK signal. This method of filtering a PSK signal at carrier frequency $f_c - 1/(4T)$ through a narrowband filter with center frequency $f_c + 1/(4T)$ provides an alternative way of generating an MSK signal.

3. (40 points) A signal $x(t)$ has Fourier transform as shown. Find **all** signaling intervals T for which $x(t)$ is a Nyquist pulse. Hint: the convolution of two $\text{rect}()$ s is a trapezoid.



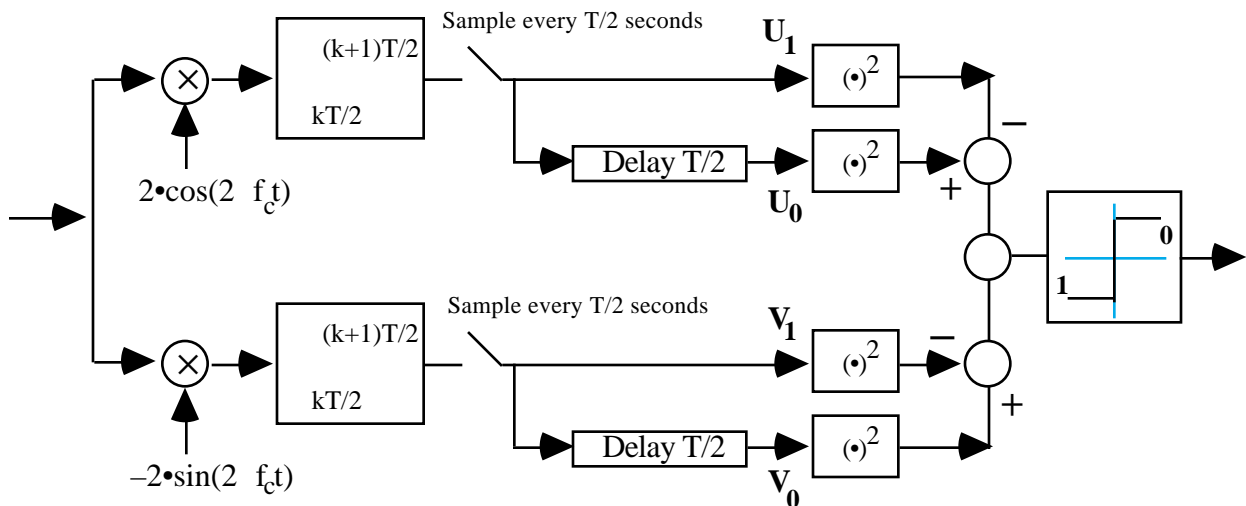
4. (50 points) A PPM system operating on an AWGN channel uses signals

$$s_0(t) = \sqrt{2}A \cdot p_{T/2}(t) \cdot \cos(2\pi f_c t)$$

$$s_1(t) = \sqrt{2}A \cdot p_{T/2}(t - T/2) \cdot \cos(2\pi f_c t)$$

where $f_c T$ is a large even integer and θ is unknown.

A noncoherent correlation receiver for this signal set is shown below where the integrator outputs are sampled at integer multiples of $T/2$. The diagram indicates the state of affairs at time T . **Note that the integrator is dumped (that is, its output is reset to 0 and the integration is re-started) at the end of each $T/2$ second period. The decision is made once every T seconds.**



As shown, U_0 and V_0 denote the sample values at time $t = T/2$ and U_1 and V_1 denote the sample values at time $t = T$. The receiver computes $\{(U_0)^2 + (V_0)^2\} - \{(U_1)^2 + (V_1)^2\}$ and decides that $s_0(t)$ was transmitted if this quantity is positive.

- Explain why $s_0(t)$ and $s_1(t)$ are orthogonal over the interval $[0, T]$ even though they are at the same carrier frequency f_c and have the same RF phase θ .
- Compute the means and variances of U_0 , V_0 , U_1 , and V_1 conditioned on $s_0(t)$ being transmitted and $\theta = \pi/4$.
- Use the results of part (b) to **state** the error probability of this receiver in terms of one or more of the parameters A , T , f_c , θ and N_0 . You are **not asked** to provide a derivation of your answer via integration of pdfs etc.