

EE 703: Digital Message Transmission

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Quiz 3 : **12 points + 3 bonus points** (90 min)

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The first three questions are worth 4 points each. The last question is a bonus question. You can score full points in this quiz even if you don't attempt the bonus question.

1. (a) Suppose we observe  $Y_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, M$  such that

$$Y_i \sim \text{Uniform}[-\theta, \theta]$$

where  $Y_i$ 's are independent and  $\theta$  is unknown. Assume  $\theta \geq 0$ . Derive the ML estimator of  $\theta$ .

- (b) Suppose we observe  $Y_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, M$  such that

$$Y_i \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

where the  $Y_i$ 's are independent,  $\mu$  is **known** and  $\sigma^2$  is **unknown**. Derive the ML estimator of  $\sigma^2$ .

2. The following set of eight signals is used to send three bits over a baseband AWGN channel with PSD  $\frac{N_0}{2}$ .

$$s_m(t) = A_m p(t), \quad 1 \leq m \leq 8$$

where  $p(t) = I_{[0,1]}(t)$  and

$$A_m = (2m - 1 - 8)A, \quad 1 \leq m \leq 8$$

Assume that all the eight signals are equally likely to be transmitted.

- (a) Derive the power efficiency of this modulation scheme.  
(b) Specify a Gray coding bitmap for mapping each symbol to 3 bits. Is it unique? If not, specify one more Gray coding bitmap.  
(c) Calculate the conditional bit error probability of the ML receiver when  $3A$  is transmitted as a function of  $E_b$  and  $N_0$ . Assume the Gray bitmap you specified in part (b) of this question.
3. Suppose we observe a sampled complex baseband signal given by

$$Y_i = s_i e^{j\theta} + N_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, M$$

where  $s_i$  is a known sequence,  $\theta$  is unknown and  $\mathbf{N} = [N_1 \ \dots \ N_M]^T$  is a proper Gaussian random vector with mean  $[0 \ \dots \ 0]^T$  and known covariance matrix  $2\sigma^2 I$ . Derive the ML estimator of  $\theta$ . Recall that if  $\mathbf{Z}$  is proper and Gaussian, its pdf is given by

$$p(\mathbf{z}) = \frac{1}{\pi^n \det(\mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{Z}})} \exp(-(\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{m})^H \mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{Z}}^{-1} (\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{m}))$$

4. **[Bonus Points Question]** Repeat question 1(a) when  $Y_i \sim \text{Uniform}[-\theta, 2\theta]$ .