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Solution of Homework 8

Problem 1. (*Average Energy of PAM*)

1. The pdf of S can be written as $f_S(s) = \sum_{i=-\frac{m}{2}+1}^{\frac{m}{2}} \delta(s - (2i - 1)a)$ while the pdf of U is $f_U(u) = \frac{1}{2a} \mathbf{1}_{[-a,a]}(u)$. As S and U are independent the pdf of $V = S + U$ is the convolution of f_S and f_U . From a sketch of f_S and f_U we immediately see that f_V is uniform in $[-ma, ma]$.
2. U and V have symmetric distribution around zero so the mean value of both is zero. $E\{V^2\} = \int_{-ma}^{ma} v^2 f_V(v) dv = \int_{-ma}^{ma} v^2 \frac{dv}{2ma} = \frac{m^2 a^2}{3}$. Hence, $\text{var}(V) = \frac{m^2 a^2}{3}$. By symmetry, $\text{var}(U) = \frac{a^2}{3}$.
3. U and S are independent random variables and so $\text{var}(V) = \text{var}(S + U) = \text{var}(S) + \text{var}(U)$. Hence, $\text{var}(S) = \frac{(m^2 - 1)a^2}{3}$.
4. Actually we have derived the expression for the average energy of PAM given in the Example 4.4.57 where the distance between the adjacent points is $d = 2a$.

Problem 2. (*Pulse Amplitude Modulated Signals*)

1. From the previous problem we know that the mean energy of the PAM constellation with distance $d = 2a$ is equal to $\frac{(m^2 - 1)a^2}{3}$. Replacing a by $\frac{d}{2}$ we have $\mathcal{E}_s = \frac{(m^2 - 1)d^2}{12}$.
2. The received signal is

$$y(t) = s_i(t) + N(t)$$

where $N(t)$ is a white Gaussian noise process.

The ML detector passes the received signal into a filter with impulse response $\phi(-t)$. Let y be the output at time $t = 0$. The decision is i if i is the index that minimizes $\|Y - s_i\|^2$.

3. The conditional probabilities of error are

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr\left(e|s_i = \frac{+(m-1)d}{2}\right) &= \Pr\left(e|s_i = \frac{-(m-1)d}{2}\right) \\ &= \Pr\left(Z > \frac{d}{2}\right) = Q\left(\frac{d}{\sqrt{2N_0}}\right) \\ \Pr\left(e|s_i \neq \frac{\pm(m-1)d}{2}\right) &= \Pr\left((Z < \frac{-d}{2}) \cup (Z > \frac{d}{2})\right) = 2Q\left(\frac{d}{\sqrt{2N_0}}\right)\end{aligned}$$

hence

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr(e) &= \frac{2}{m}\Pr\left(e|s_i = \frac{+(m-1)d}{2}\right) + \frac{m-2}{m}\Pr\left(e|s_i \neq \frac{\pm(m-1)d}{2}\right) \\ &= 2\frac{m-1}{m}Q\left(\frac{d}{\sqrt{2N_0}}\right).\end{aligned}$$

4. Let $m = 2^k$, then $\mathcal{E}_s = \mathcal{E}_s(k) = \frac{d^2}{12}(4^k - 1)$ and

$$\frac{E_s(k+1)}{E_s(k)} \simeq 4$$

Problem 3. (*Root-Mean Square Bandwidth*)

1. If we define inner product of two function, which may be complex valued, by $\langle f, g \rangle \triangleq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f^*(t)g(t)dt$ then we have $|\langle f, g \rangle|^2 \leq \langle f, f \rangle \langle g, g \rangle$ by Schwartz inequality. It can also be checked that $\langle f, g \rangle = \langle g, f \rangle^*$. Using this definition $\left\{ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [g_1^*(t)g_2(t) + g_1(t)g_2^*(t)]dt \right\} = \langle g_1, g_2 \rangle + \langle g_2, g_1 \rangle = \langle g_1, g_2 \rangle + \langle g_1, g_2 \rangle^* = 2\Re(\langle g_1, g_2 \rangle)$. Hence, $\left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [g_1^*(t)g_2(t) + g_1(t)g_2^*(t)]dt \right|^2 = 4|\Re(\langle g_1, g_2 \rangle)|^2 \leq 4 \langle g_1, g_1 \rangle \langle g_2, g_2 \rangle$ and writing the expression for $\langle g_1, g_1 \rangle$ and $\langle g_2, g_2 \rangle$ we have $\left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [g_1^*(t)g_2(t) + g_1(t)g_2^*(t)]dt \right|^2 \leq 4 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |g_1(t)|^2 dt \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |g_2(t)|^2 dt$.
2. Expanding the expression and using the fact that t is a real number we have

$$\left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t \frac{d}{dt} [g(t)g^*(t)] dt \right]^2 = \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [(tg(t))(g'(t))^* + (tg(t))^*g'(t)] dt \right]^2$$

Using the result in the previous part and setting $g_1(t) = tg(t)$ and $g_2(t) = g'(t)$ we have

$$\left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t \frac{d}{dt} [g(t)g^*(t)] dt \right]^2 \leq 4 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t^2 |g(t)|^2 dt \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| \frac{dg(t)}{dt} \right|^2 dt$$

3. Integrating by part we have

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t \frac{d}{dt} [g(t)g^*(t)] dt = t|g(t)|^2|_{-\infty}^{\infty} - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |g(t)|^2 dt$$

First component is zero by the problem statement and so remains the second component. Hence, replacing in the result of previous part we have

$$\left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |g(t)|^2 dt \right]^2 \leq 4 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t^2 |g(t)|^2 dt \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| \frac{dg(t)}{dt} \right|^2 dt$$

4. From Parseval's relation we have

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |g(t)|^2 dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |G(f)|^2 df$$

Further more we know that the Fourier transform of $\frac{dg(t)}{dt}$ is $j2\pi fG(f)$ and applying the Parseval's relation to $\frac{dg(t)}{dt}$ we have

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| \frac{dg(t)}{dt} \right|^2 dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} 4\pi^2 f^2 |G(f)|^2 df$$

replacing in the result of the previous part we have

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |g(t)|^2 dt \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |G(f)|^2 df \leq (4\pi)^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t^2 |g(t)|^2 dt \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f^2 |G(f)|^2 df$$

5. Simply, dividing the right part of the equality in the previous part by the left part and using the definition of T_{rms} and W_{rms} we obtain $T_{rms}W_{rms} \geq \frac{1}{4\pi}$.

6. For the Gaussian pulse, it is easily checked that the shape of the pulse squared is similar to the Gaussian distribution with $\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{4\pi}$ and which also needs some normalization factor. Putting altogether we have

$$\begin{aligned} T_{rms}^2 &= \left[\frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t^2 |\exp(-\pi t^2)|^2 dt}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\exp(-\pi t^2)|^2 dt} \right] \\ &= \left[\frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t^2 \exp(-t^2/2\sigma^2) dt}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(-t^2/2\sigma^2) dt} \right] \\ &= \sigma^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \end{aligned}$$

Using the fact that

$$\exp(-\pi t^2) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \exp(-\pi f^2).$$

we have

$$W_{rms}^2 = \frac{1}{4\pi}.$$

Thus for the Gaussian pulse, we have

$$T_{rms}W_{rms} = \frac{1}{4\pi}.$$

Problem 4. (*Orthogonal Signal Sets*)

1. To find the minimum-energy signal set, we first compute the centroid of the signal set:

$$a = \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} P_H(j) s_j(t) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \sqrt{\mathcal{E}_s} \phi_j(t).$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} s_j^*(t) &= s_j(t) - a \\ &= \sqrt{\mathcal{E}_s} \phi_j(t) - \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \sqrt{\mathcal{E}_s} \phi_i(t) \\ &= \sqrt{\mathcal{E}_s} \frac{m-1}{m} \phi_j(t) - \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i \neq j} \sqrt{\mathcal{E}_s} \phi_i(t). \end{aligned}$$

2. Notice that $\sum_{j=0}^{m-1} s_j^*(t) = 0$ by the definition of $s_j^*(t)$, $j = 0, 1, \dots, m-1$. Hence, the m signals $\{s_0^*(t), \dots, s_{m-1}^*(t)\}$ are linearly dependent. This means that their space has dimensionality less than m . We show that any collection of $m-1$ or less is linearly independent. That would prove that the dimensionality of the space $\{s_0^*(t), \dots, s_{m-1}^*(t)\}$ is $m-1$. Without loss of generality we consider $s_0^*(t), \dots, s_{m-2}^*(t)$. Assume that $\sum_{j=0}^{m-2} \alpha_j s_j^*(t) = 0$. Using the definition of $s_j^*(t)$ $j = 0, 1, \dots, m-1$ we may write $\sum_{j=0}^{m-2} (\alpha_j - \beta) s_j(t) - \beta s_{m-1}(t) = 0$ where $\beta = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \alpha_j$. But $s_0(t), s_1(t), \dots, s_{m-1}(t)$ is an orthogonal set and this implies $\beta = 0$ and $\alpha_j = \beta = 0$ $j = 0, 1, \dots, m-2$. That means that $\alpha_j = 0$ $j = 0, 1, \dots, m-2$. Hence, $s_j^*(t)$ $j = 0, 1, \dots, m-2$ are linearly independent. We have proved that the new set spans a space of dimension $m-1$.
3. It is easy to show that n-tuple corresponding to s_j^* is $\sqrt{\mathcal{E}_s} \frac{m-1}{m}$ at position j and $\frac{\sqrt{\mathcal{E}_s}}{m}$ at all other positions. Clearly $\|s_j^*\|^2 = (m-1) \frac{\mathcal{E}_s}{m^2} + \frac{\mathcal{E}_s}{m^2} (m-1)^2 = \mathcal{E}_s (1 - \frac{1}{m})$. This is independent of j so the average energy is also $\mathcal{E}_s (1 - \frac{1}{m})$.

Problem 5. (*m-ary Frequency shift Keying*)

1. Orthogonality requires $\int_0^T \cos(2\pi(f_c + i\Delta f)t) \cos(2\pi(f_c + j\Delta f)t) dt = 0$ for every $i \neq j$. Using the trigonometric identity $\cos(\alpha) \cos(\beta) = \frac{1}{2} \cos(\alpha + \beta) + \frac{1}{2} \cos(\alpha - \beta)$, an equivalent condition is $\frac{1}{2} \int_0^T [\cos(2\pi(i-j)\Delta f t) + \cos(2\pi(2f_c + (i+j)\Delta f)t)] dt = 0$. Integrating we obtain $\frac{\sin(2\pi(i-j)\Delta f T)}{2\pi(i-j)\Delta f} + \frac{\sin(2\pi(2f_c + (i+j)\Delta f)T)}{2\pi(2f_c + (i+j)\Delta f)} = 0$. As $f_c T$ is assumed to be an integer, the result can be simplified to $\frac{\sin(2\pi(i-j)\Delta f T)}{2\pi(i-j)\Delta f} + \frac{\sin(2\pi(i+j)\Delta f T)}{2\pi(2f_c + (i+j)\Delta f)} = 0$. As i and j are integer this result is zeros for $i \neq j$ if and only if $2\pi\Delta f T$ is an integer multiple of π . Hence, we obtain the minimum value of Δf if $2\pi\Delta f T = \pi$ which gives $\Delta f = \frac{1}{2T}$.

2. Proceeding similarly we will have orthogonality if and only if $\frac{\sin(2\pi(i-j)\Delta f T + \theta_i - \theta_j) - \sin(\theta_i - \theta_j)}{2\pi(i-j)\Delta f} + \frac{\sin(2\pi(i+j)\Delta f T + \theta_i + \theta_j) - \sin(\theta_i + \theta_j)}{2\pi(2f_c + (i+j)\Delta f)} = 0$. In this case we see that both parts become zero if and only if $2\pi\Delta f T$ is an even multiple of π which means that the smallest Δf is $\Delta f = \frac{1}{T}$ which is twice the minimum frequency separation needed in the previous part. Hence, the cost of phase uncertainty is a bandwidth expansion by a factor of 2.
3. The condition we obtained for the orthogonality in the first part consist of two terms as follows $\int_0^T [\cos(2\pi(i-j)\Delta f t) + \cos(2\pi(2f_c + (i+j)\Delta f)t)] dt = 0$. We saw that if $f_c T$ is exactly an integer number then with have orthogonality with $\Delta f = \frac{1}{2T}$. Now assume that $f_c \gg M\Delta f$ in this case the integral value will be $\frac{\sin(2\pi(2f_c + (i+j)\Delta f)T)}{2\pi(2f_c + (i+j)\Delta f)}$ which its absolute value is always less than $\frac{1}{2\pi(2f_c + (i+j)\Delta f)}$ which approaches zero as f_c becomes bigger and bigger. So if we choose $\Delta f = \frac{1}{2T}$ and take $f_c \gg m\Delta f$ then we will have approximately orthogonality. In a similar way when we have a random phase shift then we can choose $\Delta f = \frac{1}{T}$ and take $f_c \gg m\Delta f$ to have orthogonality.
4. Integrating $\mathbf{s}_i(t)^2$ over $[0, T]$ we obtain $A^2 \times \frac{2}{T} \times \frac{1}{2} \times T = A^2$ which holds for every i . Hence, the mean energy of the constellation is A^2 but this energy is transmitted during $[0, T]$ so the mean power will be $\frac{A^2}{T}$ which is independent of k .
5. We have M signals separated by Δf . The approximate bandwidth is $m\Delta f$. This means bandwidth $\frac{2^k}{2T}$ in the former case, without random phase shift, and bandwidth $\frac{2^k}{T}$ in the latter case in which we have a random phase shift.
6. Practical systems have a constant B and a T which grows linearly with k . Even if we let T grow linearly with k , in the system considered here, B grows exponentially with k . This is not practical.