# **COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATION: PART-A**

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### **Important instructions:**

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- c). Compute code efficiency and redundancy. [1 mark]

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For a (7, 4) systematic linear block, the three parity check bots  $p_5$ ,  $p_6$ , and  $p_7$  are obtained from the following.

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Answer the following. Note: Your approach should be consistent with the one discussed in class.

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ii). Determine code words corresponding  $\{1000, \ldots, 1111\}$ . Present them in tabular form. [4 marks]

iii). Suppose that the received code word is 0010110. Determine the syndrome and decode the code word by syndrome decoding. [1 + 1 marks]

iv). Suppose that the bit energy-to-noise power spectral density ratio  $\left(\frac{E_b}{N_0}\right)$  is equal to 10 dB and coherent phase shift keying is used for information transmission. Compare the word error probability performance of an additive white Gaussian noise (AWGN) binary symmetric channel (BSC) using (7, 4) code with that of same system using uncoded information transmission. Note that the minimum Hamming distance of the linear block code is 3. Assume that the bit error probability in the uncoded case, as well as, in the coded case is much less than 1. [2 marks]

Q. 3. [4–PAM Symbol Error Probability (SEP)]

Consider transmission of symbols drawn from 4–PAM constellation shown in Figure 1 through AWGN channel. Assume that all symbols are equally likely.

i). If the average transmitted energy per symbol is 1 joule, determine the value of b. [2 marks]

ii). Show the decision regions and label them in a sequence from left to right. [2 marks]

iii). Derive average symbol error probability in terms of complimentary error function. [4 + 1 marks]

iv). Derive an upper bound for the SEP. [1 mark]



Fig. 1: 4-PAM constellation diagram

Q. 4. [Low-pass RC Filter as Approximate Matched Filter]

Consider a rectangular pulse s(t) defined by

$$s(t) = \begin{cases} A, & 0 \le t \le T, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Suppose that we need to approximate the matched filter by a low-pass RC filter characterized by

$$H(f) = \frac{1}{1 + j\frac{f}{f_0}},$$

where  $f_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi RC}$  is the 3 dB bandwidth of the filter.

Answer the following.

i). Sketch the output of the filter. At what value of time t, peak occurs? Indicate the peak value. [2 marks]

ii). Determine the maximum value of the output pulse power. [1 mark]

iii). Determine the mean value of the output noise power. Assume AWGN channel. [1 mark]

iv). Determine the output signal power-to-noise power ratio (SNR). What is its maximum value? (Hint: Differentiate with respect to  $f_0T$ .). At what value of  $f_0$ , maximum output SNR occurs? [1 + 2 + 1 marks]

v). By how many dB should the transmitted pulse energy be increased so as to achieve the same performance as the perfectly matched filter? [2 marks]

**Q. 5.** [Parameter Estimation]

Consider a finite-duration signal of the form

$$s(t, A) = \begin{cases} As(t), & 0 \le t \le T, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where s(t) is completely known and amplitude A is unknown. Recall that the maximum likelihood estimate (MLE)  $\hat{A}$  is the solution of

$$\int_0^T [x(t) - s(t, \hat{A})] \frac{\partial s(t, \hat{A})}{\partial \hat{A}} dt = 0,$$

where x(t) = As(t) + w(t) denotes the received signal. Note that w(t) denotes AWGN.

i). Determine the ML estimate of A in the presence of AWGN. [2 marks]

ii). Comment on the implementation of  $\hat{A}$  and come up with a scheme to determine the MLE. [3 marks]

iii). Determine the mean and variance of the estimate. [2 + 3 marks]

## $\Box$ END OF PART-B $\Box$

### Answers

**Q. 1.** i). Huffmann code =  $\{1, 01, 000, 0010, 00110, 001110, 001111\}$ .

- ii). a). Entropy H(S) = 2.11 bits/symbol.
- b). Average codeword length  $\overline{L} = 2.21$  bits/symbol.
- c). Code efficiency  $\eta = \frac{H(S)}{\overline{L}} = 95.48\%$  and redundancy 4.52%.

**Q. 2.** i). In the given error correcting code, n = 7 and k = 4. We have  $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Generator

matrix  $G = [I_4; P^T]$ , where  $I_3$  denotes  $3 \times 3$  identity matrix, and  $P^T$  denotes the transpose of the matrix P. So,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ 

G =	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	
	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	•
	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	

The transpose of the parity-check matrix is given by  $H^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

ii). The table is shown below.

Message word	Code word
$1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0$	1000110
1001	1001011
1010	1010001
1011	1011100
1 1 0 0	1100101
1 1 0 1	1101000
1 1 1 0	1110010
1111	1111111

iii). Since  $d_{\min}$  is 3, the code is a single-error-correcting code. So, t is equal to 1. Let r denotes the received code word. The syndrome is given by  $s = rH^T = [0 \ 0 \ 1]$ . Since s is equal to the seventh row of  $H^T$ , an error is in seventh bit. So the code word should be 0010111. So, the data bits are 0010.

iv). Word error probability in the uncoded case  $\approx kQ\left(\sqrt{\frac{2E_b}{N_0}}\right) = 1.5488 \times 10^{-5}$ . In the coded case, word error probability is  $\approx \binom{n}{t+1} \left(Q\left(\sqrt{\frac{2kE_b}{nN_0}}\right)\right)^{t+1} = 2.7461 \times 10^{-6}$ .

**Q. 3.** i). Average energy per symbol,  $\mathcal{E}_s = 5b^2$ . If  $\mathcal{E}_s = 1$ ,  $b = \sqrt{\frac{1}{5}}$ .

ii). Draw perpendicular bisectors for each segment joining two constellation points and identify the decision regions. Let the decision regions (from left to right) denoted by  $\Delta_1 \dots \Delta_4$ . These are shown in the Figure 2.



Fig. 2: Decision regions of symbols in the 4-PAM constellation.

iii). Let us now compute probability of error corresponding to each transmitted symbol.

x = -3b transmitted: Let y denote the received symbol.

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{E}|x = -3b) &= 1 - \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{C}|x = -3b), \\ &= 1 - \mathcal{P}(y < -2b|x = -3b), \\ &= Q\left(\sqrt{\frac{2b^2}{N_0}}\right), \end{split}$$

where  $\frac{N_0}{2}$  is the power spectral density of additive Gaussian noise, Note that, by symmetry,  $\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{E}|x=-3b)=$  $\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{E}|x=3b).$ 

Similarly, we can easily compute error probabilities for other symbols:

$$\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{E}|x=-b) = \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{E}|x=b),$$
$$= 2Q\left(\sqrt{\frac{2b^2}{N_0}}\right)$$

Therefore, the average symbol error probability ( $P_e$  or SEP) is given by  $\frac{3}{2}Q\left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{5N_0}}\right)$ . Since  $Q(z) = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{erfc}\left(\frac{z}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$ ,

Therefore, SEP =  $\frac{3}{4}$ erfc  $\left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{5N_0}}\right)$ . iv). Recall that  $Q(y) \le \frac{1}{2}e^{-\frac{y^2}{2}}$ . Using this inequality, we get  $\frac{3}{2}Q\left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{5N_0}}\right) \le \frac{3}{4}e^{-\frac{1}{5N_0}}$ . **Q. 4.** i). The impulse response of the RC low-pass filter is given by

$$h(t) = \frac{1}{RC}e^{-\frac{t}{RC}}, t > 0$$

Since  $f_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi RC}$ ,  $RC = 2\pi f_0 \triangleq b$ .

Output y(t) of the filter is the convolution of the pulse s(t) and the impulse response h(t). It can be shown that

$$y(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & t < 0, \\ A\left(1 - e^{-bt}\right), & 0 \le t \le T, \\ A\left(e^{-b(t-T)} - e^{-bt}\right), & t \ge T. \end{cases}$$

The output y(t) is shown in the Figure 3.



Fig. 3: Output of the RC low-pass filter.

Peak occurs at t = T and the maximum value is equal to  $A\left(1 - e^{-2\pi f_0 T}\right)$ . ii). The maximum value of the pulse power is equal to  $A^2\left(1 - e^{-2\pi f_0 T}\right)^2$ . iii). The mean value of the output noise power is given by

$$\begin{split} n_0 &= \frac{N_0}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{f}{f_0}\right)^2} \, df, \\ &= \frac{\pi N_0 f_0}{2}. \end{split}$$

iv). Output SNR is equal to  $\text{SNR}_0 = \frac{2A^2}{\pi N_0 f_0} (1 - e^{-2\pi f_0 T})^2$ . The maximum output SNR is equal to  $\text{SNR}_{0,\text{max}} = \frac{2A^2}{\pi N_0 f_0} (1 - e^{-2\pi f_0 T})^2$ .

 $\frac{1.62A^2T}{N_0}$ . The maximum SNR occurs at  $f_0 = \frac{0.2}{T}$ . v). Energy of the pulse, denoted by  $E = A^2T$ . For a perfectly matched filter, the maximum output SNR should be equal to  $\frac{2E}{N_0} = \frac{2A^2T}{N_0}$ . Therefore, the transmitted energy should be increased by the ratio  $\frac{2}{1.62}$  i.e. by approximately 0.92 dB so that the low-pass RC filter with  $f_0 = \frac{0.2}{T}$  realizes the same performance of a perfectly matched filter.

**Q. 5.** i). The MLE  $\hat{A}$  of the amplitude A is the solution of the equation:

$$\int_{0}^{T} [x(t) - \hat{A}s(t)]s(t) \, dt = 0,$$

Solving for  $\hat{A}$ , we get

$$\hat{A} = \frac{\int_{0}^{T} x(t)s(t) \, dt}{\int_{0}^{T} s^{2}(t) \, dt}.$$

ii). Comments or Remarks: The operations may be performed using correlator, squaring device, integrator, and divider as shown in Figure 4.

$$x(t) \xrightarrow{(N)} f_0^T dt \xrightarrow{(N)} \hat{A}$$

$$s(t) \xrightarrow{(.)^2} f_0^T dt \xrightarrow{(D)} \hat{A}$$

Fig. 4: MLE of amplitude in AWGN.

iii). Note that w(t) has zero mean. Therefore, the mean value of the estimate is given by

$$\mathbf{E}\left[\hat{A}\right] = \frac{\int_0^T As^2(t) \, dt}{\int_0^T s^2(t) \, dt},$$
$$= A.$$

Let  $\mathcal{E} = \int_0^T s^2(t) dt$ . The variance of the estimate is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Var} \hat{A} &= \operatorname{Var} \left( \frac{\int_0^T x(t) s(t) \, dt}{\mathcal{E}} \right), \\ &= \frac{1}{\mathcal{E}^2} \operatorname{Var} \left( \int_0^T w(t) s(t) \, dt \right), \\ &= \frac{N_0}{2\mathcal{E}}. \end{aligned}$$