

ECE 313: Hour Exam II

Monday April 14, 2008

7:00 p.m. — 8:00 p.m.

Rooms 165 and 168 Everitt Laboratory

Use the supplied table of values of $\Phi(x)$, the unit Gaussian CDF, in solving this problem.

1. [33 points] The received signal \mathcal{R} in a digital communication system corresponds to one of two hypotheses:

$$H_0 : \mathcal{R} \sim \text{Gaussian}(0, 2^2)$$

$$H_1 : \mathcal{R} \sim \text{Gaussian}(1, 2^2)$$

- (a) [10 points] The maximum-likelihood decision rule can be stated in the form

“Decide that H_1 is the true hypothesis if and only if $\mathcal{R} > \eta$.”

What is the value of η , and what is the value of P_{FA} , the false-alarm probability (or probability of Type I error) of the maximum-likelihood decision rule?

- (b) [18 points] Now suppose that the received signal \mathcal{R} is passed through a quantizer whose output \mathcal{S} is

$$\mathcal{S} = \begin{cases} -\alpha, & \text{if } \mathcal{R} < -1, \\ 0, & \text{if } -1 \leq \mathcal{R} < +1, \\ +\alpha, & \text{if } \mathcal{R} \geq +1. \end{cases}$$

and the decision is made based on the value of \mathcal{S} .

Complete the likelihood matrix shown below, and indicate on it the maximum-likelihood decision rule by shading entries.

	$\mathcal{S} = -\alpha$	$\mathcal{S} = 0$	$\mathcal{S} = +\alpha$
H_0			
H_1			

- (c) [5 points] For the maximum-likelihood decision rule of part (b), what is P_{FA} ?

2. [32 points]
- (a) [10 points] \mathcal{W} denotes a *uniform* random variable with mean 1 and variance 3.
Find $P\{\mathcal{W} < 0\}$.
- (b) [11 points] Suppose \mathcal{X} is an exponential random variable with parameter λ .
Calculate the pdf of the random variable $\mathcal{Y} = \sqrt{2\lambda\mathcal{X}}$.
- (c) [11 points] Suppose that \mathcal{Z} is a standard Gaussian random variable. Find $E[|\mathcal{Z}|]$.
3. [35 points] Consider a Poisson process with arrival rate λ . Let $N(a, b]$ denote the number of arrivals in the time interval $(a, b]$, and let \mathcal{X}_1 denote the time of the first arrival *after* $t = 0$.
- (a) [6 points] *State* the pmf of $N(0, \tau]$ and the pdf of \mathcal{X}_1 . No derivation need be provided.
- (b) [12 points] The event $A = \{N(0, \tau] = 0\}$ is the same as the event $B = \{\mathcal{X}_1 > \tau\}$.
According to your answers of part (a), what is $P\{N(0, \tau] = 0\}$? and what is $P\{\mathcal{X}_1 > \tau\}$? Does $P(A)$ equal $P(B)$?
- (c) [10 points] Now let T denote a fixed positive number and n a positive integer. Let τ be such that $0 < \tau < T$. If C denotes the event $\{N(0, T] = n\}$, what is the value of $P(B|C)$?
Hint: Express $P(B \cap C) = P(A \cap C)$ in terms of $N(0, \tau]$ and $N(\tau, T]$.
- (d) [7 points] Determine the *conditional* pdf of \mathcal{X}_1 given that the event C occurred, that is, given that n arrivals occurred in the time interval $(0, T]$.