

## Chapter 6

### DETECTION AND ESTIMATION:

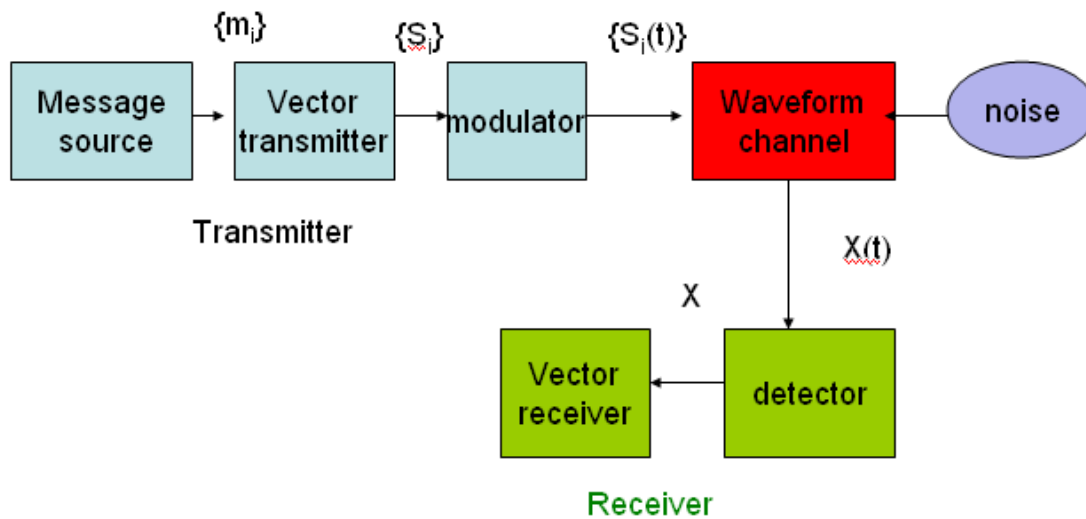
Fundamental issues in digital communications are

1. Detection and
2. Estimation

**Detection theory:** It deals with the design and evaluation of decision – making processor that observes the received signal and guesses which particular symbol was transmitted according to some set of rules.

**Estimation Theory:** It deals with the design and evaluation of a processor that uses information in the received signal to extract estimates of physical parameters or waveforms of interest. The results of detection and estimation are always subject to errors

### Model of digital communication system



Consider a source that emits one symbol every  $T$  seconds, with the symbols belonging to an alphabet of  $M$  symbols which we denote as  $m_1, m_2, \dots, m_M$ .

We assume that all  $M$  symbols of the alphabet are equally likely. Then

$$\begin{aligned} p_i &= p(m_i \text{ emitted}) \\ &= \frac{1}{M} \text{ for all } i \end{aligned}$$

The output of the message source is presented to a vector transmitter producing vector of real number

$$S_i = \begin{bmatrix} S_{i1} \\ S_{i2} \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ S_{iN} \end{bmatrix} \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, M$$

Where the dimension  $N \leq M$ .

The modulator then constructs a distinct signal  $s_i(t)$  of duration T seconds. The signal  $s_i(t)$  is necessarily of finite energy.

The Channel is assumed to have two characteristics:

- Channel is linear, with a bandwidth that is large enough to accommodate the transmission of the modulator output  $s_i(t)$  without distortion.
- The transmitted signal  $s_i(t)$  is perturbed by an additive, zero-mean, stationary, white, Gaussian noise process.

such a channel is referred as AWGN ( additive white Gaussian noise ) channel

**GRAM – SCHMIDT ORTHOGONALIZATION PROCEDURE:**

In case of Gram-Schmidt Orthogonalization procedure, any set of ‘M’ energy signals  $\{S_i(t)\}$  can be represented by a linear combination of ‘N’ orthonormal basis functions where  $N \leq M$ . That is we may represent the given set of real valued energy signals  $S_1(t), S_2(t), \dots, S_M(t)$  each of duration T seconds in the form

$$S_1(t) = S_{11}\phi_1(t) + S_{12}\phi_2(t) \dots \dots \dots + S_{1N}\phi_N(t)$$

$$S_2(t) = S_{21}\phi_1(t) + S_{22}\phi_2(t) \dots \dots \dots + S_{2N}\phi_N(t)$$

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$$S_M(t) = S_{M1}\phi_1(t) + S_{M2}\phi_2(t) \dots \dots \dots + S_{MN}\phi_N(t)$$

$$S_i(t) = \sum_{j=1}^N S_{ij}\phi_j(t) \quad \begin{cases} 0 \leq t \leq T \\ i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, M \dots \dots (6.1) \end{cases}$$

Where the Co-efficient of expansion are defined by

$$S_{ij}(t) = \int_0^T S_i(t) \phi_j(t) dt \begin{cases} i=1,2,3,\dots,M \\ j=1,2,3,\dots,N \dots\dots(6.2) \end{cases}$$

The basic functions  $\phi_1(t), \phi_2(t), \dots, \phi_N(t)$  are orthonormal by which

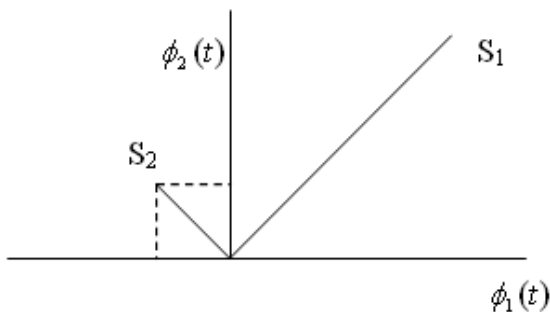
$$\int_0^T \phi_i(t) \phi_j(t) dt = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \dots\dots(6.3) \end{cases}$$

The co-efficient  $S_{ij}$  may be viewed as the  $j^{\text{th}}$  element of the  $N$  – dimensional Vector  $S_i$

$$\text{Therefore } S_i = \begin{bmatrix} S_{i1} \\ S_{i2} \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \\ S_{iN} \end{bmatrix} \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, M$$

Let  $S_1 = 3\phi_1(t) + 4\phi_2(t)$       $S_2 = -\phi_1(t) + 2\phi_2(t)$

Vector  $S_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$       $S_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$



**Geometric interpretation of signal:**

Using  $N$  orthonormal basis functions we can represent  $M$  signals as

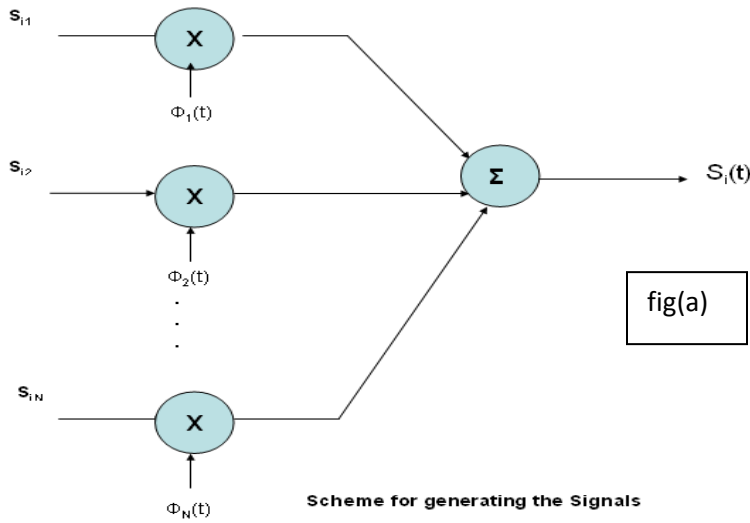
$$S_i(t) = \sum_{j=1}^N S_{ij} \phi_j(t) \quad 0 \leq t \leq T \quad i=1, 2, \dots, M \dots\dots(6.4)$$

Coefficients are given by

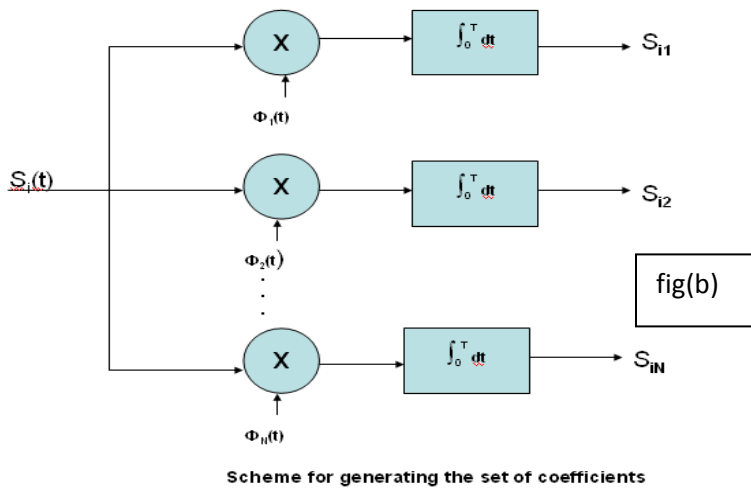
$$S_{ij} = \int_0^T S_i(t) \phi_j(t) dt \quad i=1,2,\dots,M$$

$$j=1,2,\dots,N \dots\dots\dots(6.5)$$

Given the set of coefficients  $\{s_{ij}\}$ ,  $j= 1, 2, \dots,N$  operating as input we may use the scheme as shown in fig(a) to generate the signal  $s_i(t)$   $i = 1$  to  $M$ . It consists of a bank of  $N$  multipliers, with each multiplier supplied with its own basic function, followed by a summer.



conversely given a set of signals  $s_i(t)$   $i = 1$  to  $M$  operating as input we may use the scheme shown in fig (b) to calculate the set of coefficients  $\{s_{ij}\}$ ,  $j= 1, 2, \dots,N$



$$S_i = \begin{bmatrix} S_{i1} \\ S_{i2} \\ \vdots \\ S_{iN} \end{bmatrix} \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, M$$

The vector  $s_i$  is called **signal vector**

We may visualize signal vectors as a set of  $M$  points in an  $N$  dimensional Euclidean space, which is also called **signal space**

The squared-length of any vector  $s_i$  is given by inner product or the dot product of  $s_i$

$$\|S_i\|^2 = (S_i, S_i) = \sum_{j=1}^N S_{ij}^2$$

Where  $s_{ij}$  are the elements of  $s_i$

Two vectors are **orthogonal if their inner product is zero**

The energy of the signal is given by

$$E_i = \int_0^T S_i^2(t) dt$$

substituting the value  $s_i(t)$  from equation 6.1

$$E_i = \int_0^T \left[ \sum_{j=1}^N S_{ij} \phi_j(t) \right] \left[ \sum_{k=1}^N S_{ik} \phi_k(t) \right] dt$$

interchanging the order of summation and integration

$$E_i = \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^N S_{ij} S_{ik} \int_0^T \phi_j(t) \phi_k(t) dt$$

since  $\phi_j(t)$  forms an orthonormal set, the above equation reduce to

$$E_i = \sum_{j=1}^N S_{ij}^2$$

this shows that the energy of the signal  $s_i(t)$  is equal to the squared-length of the signal vector  $s_i$ . The **Euclidean distance** between the points represented by the signal vectors  $s_i$  and  $s_k$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \|S_i - S_k\|^2 &= \sum_{j=1}^N (S_{ij} - S_{kj})^2 \\ &= \int_0^T [S_i(t) - S_k(t)]^2 dt \end{aligned}$$

### Response of bank of correlators to noisy input

Received Signal  $X(t)$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} X(t) &= S_i(t) + W(t) & 0 \leq t \leq T \\ & & i=1,2,3,\dots,M \dots\dots\dots (6.6) \end{aligned}$$

where  $W(t)$  is AWGN with Zero Mean and PSD  $N_0/2$   
Output of each correlator is a random variable defined by

$$\begin{aligned} X_j &= \int_0^T X(t)\phi_j(t)dt \\ &= S_{ij} + W_j & j=1,2,\dots,N \dots\dots\dots (6.7) \end{aligned}$$

The first Component  $S_{ij}$  is deterministic quantity contributed by the transmitted signal  $S_i(t)$ , it is defined by

$$S_{ij} = \int_0^T S_i(t)\phi_j(t)dt \dots\dots\dots (6.8)$$

The second Component  $W_j$  is a random variable due to the presence of the noise at the input, it is defined by

$$W_j = \int_0^T W(t)\phi_j(t)dt \dots\dots\dots (6.9)$$

let  $X'(t)$  is a new random variable defined as

$$X'(t) = X(t) - \sum_{j=1}^N X_j \phi_j(t) \dots \dots \dots (6.10)$$

substituting the values of X(t) from 6.6 and X<sub>j</sub> from 6.7 we get

$$\begin{aligned} X'(t) &= S_i(t) + W(t) - \sum_{j=1}^N (S_{ij} + W_j) \phi_j(t) \\ &= W(t) - \sum_{j=1}^N W_j \phi_j(t) \\ &= W'(t) \end{aligned}$$

which depends only on noise W(t) at the front end of the receiver and not at all on the transmitted signal s<sub>i</sub>(t). Thus we may express the received random process as

$$\begin{aligned} X(t) &= \sum_{j=1}^N X_j \phi_j(t) + X'(t) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^N X_j \phi_j(t) + W'(t) \end{aligned}$$

Now we may characterize the set of correlator output, {X<sub>j</sub>}, j = 1 to N, since the received random process X(t) is Gaussian, we deduce that each X<sub>j</sub> is a Gaussian random variable. Hence, each X<sub>j</sub> is characterized completely by its mean and variance.

**Mean and variance:**

The noise process W(t) has zero mean, hence the random variable W<sub>j</sub> extracted from W(t) also has zero mean. Thus the mean value of the j<sup>th</sup> correlator output depends only on S<sub>ij</sub> as

$$\begin{aligned} m_{x_j} &= E[X_j] \dots \dots \dots \text{from eqn 6.7} \\ &= E[S_{ij} + W_j] \\ &= S_{ij} + E[W_j] \quad \text{but} \quad E[W_j] = 0 \\ &= S_{ij} \end{aligned}$$

variance of X<sub>j</sub> is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma^2_{x_j} &= \text{Var}[X_j] \\ &= E[(X_j - m_{x_j})^2] \quad \text{substituting} \quad m_{x_j} = S_{ij} \\ &= E[(X_j - S_{ij})^2] \quad \text{from equaton 6.7} \\ &= E[W_j^2] \end{aligned}$$

substituting the value of  $W_j$  from eqn 6.9

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma^2_{x_j} &= E \left[ \int_0^T W(t) \phi_j(t) dt \int_0^T W(u) \phi_j(u) du \right] \\ &= E \left[ \int_0^T \int_0^T \phi_j(t) \phi_j(u) W(t) W(u) dt du \right] \\ \sigma^2_{x_j} &= \int_0^T \int_0^T \phi_j(t) \phi_j(u) E[W(t)W(u)] dt du \\ &= \int_0^T \int_0^T \phi_j(t) \phi_j(u) R_w(t,u) dt du \dots\dots\dots(6.11) \end{aligned}$$

where

$R_w(t,u) = E[W(t)W(u)]$  autocorrelation function of the noise process  $W(t)$ . Since the noise is stationary, with psd  $N_0/2$ ,  $R_w(t,u)$  depends only on the time difference  $(t-u)$  and expressed as

$$R_w(t,u) = \frac{N_0}{2} \delta(t-u) \dots\dots\dots(6.12)$$

substituting this value in the equation 6.11 we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma^2_{x_j} &= \frac{N_0}{2} \int_0^T \int_0^T \phi_j(t) \phi_j(u) \delta(t-u) dt du \\ &= \frac{N_0}{2} \int_0^T \phi_j^2(t) dt \end{aligned}$$

Since the  $\phi_j(t)$  have unit energy, the above equation reduce to

$$\sigma^2_{x_j} = \frac{N_0}{2} \quad \text{for all } j$$

This shows that all the correlator outputs  $\{X_j\}$ ,  $j = 1$  to  $N$  have a variance equal to the psd  $N_0/2$  of the additive noise process  $W(t)$ .

Since the  $\phi_j(t)$  forms an orthogonal set, then the  $X_j$  are mutually uncorrelated, as shown by



$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Cov}[X_j, X_k] &= E[(X_j - m_{x_j})(X_k - m_{x_k})] \\
&= E[(X_j - S_{ij})(X_k - S_{ik})] \\
&= E[W_j W_k] \\
&= E \left[ \int_0^T W(t) \phi_j(t) dt \int_0^T W(u) \phi_k(u) du \right] \\
&= \int_0^T \int_0^T \phi_j(t) \phi_k(u) R_w(t, u) dt du \\
&= \frac{N_0}{2} \int_0^T \int_0^T \phi_j(t) \phi_k(u) \delta(t - u) dt du \\
&= \frac{N_0}{2} \int_0^T \phi_j(t) \phi_k(t) dt \\
&= 0 \quad j \neq k
\end{aligned}$$

Since the  $X_j$  are Gaussian random variables, from the above equation it is implied that they are also statistically independent.