

**Homework Set #5**  
**Differential Entropy and Gaussian Channel**

**1. Differential entropy.**

Evaluate the differential entropy  $h(X) = -\int f \ln f$  for the following:

- (a) Find the entropy of the exponential density  $\lambda e^{-\lambda x}$ ,  $x \geq 0$ .
- (b) The sum of  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ , where  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are independent normal random variables with means  $\mu_i$  and variances  $\sigma_i^2$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ .

**2. Mutual information for correlated normals.** Find the mutual information  $I(X; Y)$ , where

$$\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix} \sim N_2 \left( 0, \begin{bmatrix} \sigma^2 & \rho\sigma^2 \\ \rho\sigma^2 & \sigma^2 \end{bmatrix} \right).$$

Evaluate  $I(X; Y)$  for  $\rho = 1$ ,  $\rho = 0$ , and  $\rho = -1$ , and comment.

**3. Markov Gaussian mutual information.**

Suppose that  $(X, Y, Z)$  are jointly Gaussian and that  $X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Z$  forms a Markov chain. Let  $X$  and  $Y$  have correlation coefficient  $\rho_1$  and let  $Y$  and  $Z$  have correlation coefficient  $\rho_2$ . Find  $I(X; Z)$ .

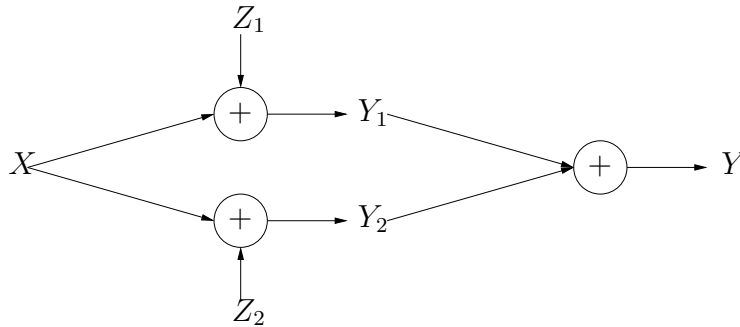
**4. Output power constraint.**

Consider an additive white Gaussian noise channel with an expected output power constraint  $P$ . (We might want to protect the eardrums of the listener.) Thus  $Y = X + Z$ ,  $Z \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ ,  $Z$  is independent of  $X$ , and  $EY^2 \leq P$ . Assume  $\sigma^2 < P$ . Find the channel capacity.

**5. Multipath Gaussian channel.**

Consider a Gaussian noise channel of power constraint  $P$ , where the

signal takes two different paths and the received noisy signals are added together at the antenna.



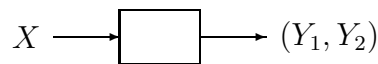
Let  $Y = Y_1 + Y_2$  and  $EX^2 \leq P$ .

- (a) Find the capacity of this channel if  $Z_1$  and  $Z_2$  are jointly normal with covariance matrix

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} N & N\rho \\ N\rho & N \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (b) What is the capacity for  $\rho = 0, -1$ , and  $1$  ?

## 6. The two-look Gaussian channel.



Consider the ordinary additive noise Gaussian channel with two correlated looks at  $X$ , i.e.,  $Y = (Y_1, Y_2)$ , where

$$Y_1 = X + Z_1$$

$$Y_2 = X + Z_2$$

with a power constraint  $P$  on  $X$ , and  $(Z_1, Z_2) \sim \mathcal{N}_2(\mathbf{0}, K)$ , where

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} N & N\rho \\ N\rho & N \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find the capacity  $C$  for

- (a)  $\rho = 1$ .
- (b)  $\rho = 0$ .
- (c)  $\rho = -1$ .

Note that the capacity of the above channel in all cases is the same as the capacity of the channel  $X \rightarrow Y_1 + Y_2$ .

## 7. Diversity System

For the following system, a message  $W \in \{1, 2, \dots, 2^{nR}\}$  is encoded into two symbol blocks  $X_1^n = (X_{1,1}, X_{1,2}, \dots, X_{1,n})$  and  $X_2^n = (X_{2,1}, X_{2,2}, \dots, X_{2,n})$  that are being transmitted over a channel. The average power constrain on the inputs are  $\frac{1}{n}E[\sum_{i=1}^n X_{1,i}^2] \leq P_1$  and  $\frac{1}{n}E[\sum_{i=1}^n X_{2,i}^2] \leq P_2$ . The channel has a multiplying effect on  $X_1, X_2$  by factor  $h_1, h_2$ , respectively, i.e.,  $Y = h_1X_1 + h_2X_2 + Z$ , where  $Z$  is a white Gaussian noise  $Z \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ .

- (a) Find the joint distribution of  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  that bring the mutual information  $I(Y; X_1, X_2)$  to a maximum? (You need to find  $\arg \max P_{X_1, X_2} I(X_1, X_2; Y)$ .)

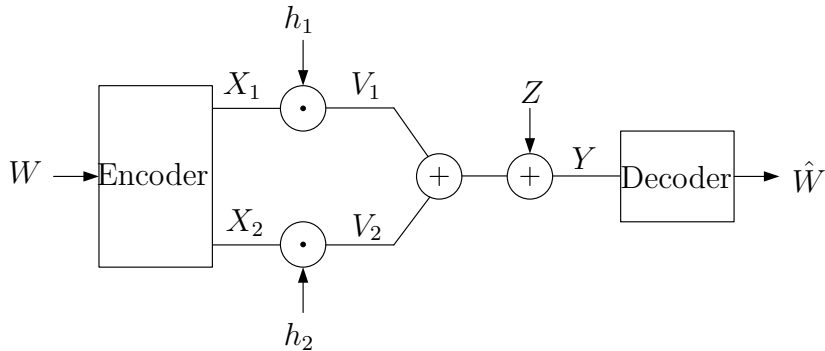


Figure 1: The communication model

- (b) What is the capacity of the system ?
- (c) Express the capacity for the following cases:
  - i.  $h_1 = 1, h_2 = 1$ ?
  - ii.  $h_1 = 1, h_2 = 0$ ?
  - iii.  $h_1 = 0, h_2 = 0$ ?

## 8. AWGN with two noises

Figure 2 depicts a communication system with an AWGN (Additive white noise Gaussian) channel with two i.i.d. noises  $Z_1 \sim N(0, \sigma_1^2)$ ,  $Z_2 \sim N(0, \sigma_2^2)$  that are independent of each other and are added to the signal  $X$ , i.e.,  $Y = X + Z_1 + Z_2$ . The average power constrain on the input is  $P$ , i.e.,  $\frac{1}{n}E[\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2] \leq P$ . In the sub-questions below we consider the cases where the noise  $Z_2$  may or may not be known to the encoder and decoder.

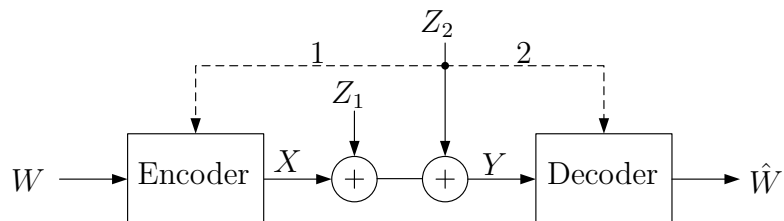


Figure 2: Two noise sources

- Find the channel capacity for the case in which the noise is not known to either sides (lines 1 and 2 are disconnected from the encoder and the decoder).
- Find the capacity for the case that the noise  $Z_2$  is known to the encoder and decoder (lines 1 and 2 are connected to both the encoder and decoder). This means that the codeword  $X^n$  may depend on the message  $W$  and the noise  $Z_2^n$  and the decoder decision  $\hat{W}$  may depend on the output  $Y^n$  and the noise  $Z_2^n$ . (**Hint:** Could the capacity be larger than  $\frac{1}{2} \log(1 + \frac{P}{\sigma_1^2})$ ?)
- Find the capacity for the case that the noise  $Z_2$  is known only to the decoder. (line 1 is disconnected from the encoder and line 2 is connected to the decoder). This means that the codewords  $X^n$  may depend only on the message  $W$  and the decoder decision  $\hat{W}$  may depend on the output  $Y^n$  and the noise  $Z_2^n$ .

## 9. Parallel channels and waterfilling

Consider a pair of parallel Gaussian channels, i.e.,

$$\begin{pmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} Z_1 \\ Z_2 \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$\begin{pmatrix} Z_1 \\ Z_2 \end{pmatrix} \sim \mathcal{N}\left(0, \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2^2 \end{bmatrix}\right),$$

and there is a power constraint  $E(X_1^2 + X_2^2) \leq P$ . Assume that  $\sigma_1^2 > \sigma_2^2$ . At what power does the channel stop behaving like a single channel with noise variance  $\sigma_2^2$ , and begin behaving like a pair of channels, ie., at what power does the worst channel become useful?