

ELEX 7860 : Wireless System Design
2021 Winter Term

Midterm Exam 2
12:30 – 14:20
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This exam has five (5) questions on six (6) pages. The marks for each question are as indicated. There are a total of nineteen (19) marks.

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Question	Mark	Max.
1		3
2		3
3		4
4		4
5		5
Total		19

Question 1

3 marks

A company is claiming that they have a modulation and FEC technique that will allow nearly error-free data transmission at a rate of 80 Mb/s over a 20 MHz channel that has an SNR of 5 dB with white, Gaussian noise.

Give a brief explanation of why this is, or is not, credible. Show your calculations.

The generator matrix for a code is:

$$G = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) What are n and k ?
- (b) What is the transmitted codeword when the data word is $[1\ 0\ 1]$?
- (c) What is the parity check matrix for this code?

Question 3**4 marks**

A code uses the following parity check matrix:

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

What is the minimum distance of the code? Show your work.

Question 4**4 marks**

A communication system uses a rate- $3/4$ FEC code to achieve an error rate of 1×10^{-5} at an SNR of 10 dB. An SNR of 16 dB is required to achieve this error rate if FEC is not used. In both cases the channel bandwidth is 500 kHz and the transmitted data rate, including any FEC, is 1 Mb/s.

What is the coding gain as defined by the reduction in E_b/N_0 required to obtain an error rate of 1×10^{-5} ?

Question 5

5 marks

An OFDM system uses 1024 subcarriers and a sampling rate of 10 MHz. It operates over a channel with a delay spread of 10 microseconds. The guard time duration is twice the channel delay spread. Only 612 of the 1024 the subcarriers are transmitted and each of these is modulated using QPSK modulation (2 bits per subcarrier).

- (a) What is the total duration of each OFDM symbol, including the guard time?
- (b) How many bits are transmitted per second?
- (c) What is the approximate bandwidth of the signal?
- (d) What is the spectral efficiency of this system in bits per second per Hz?