

# Problem Sheets: Communication Systems

Professor A. Manikas  
Chair of Communications and Array Processing  
Department of Electrical & Electronic Engineering  
Imperial College London

v13.14

## DS-CDMA

1. A recorded conversation is to be transmitted by a QPSK Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum System (DS/SSS). Assuming the spectrum of the speech waveform is bandlimited to  $4\text{ kHz}$ , and that a 128-level quantizer is used:

- (a) find the chip rate required to obtain a processing gain of  $20\text{ dB}$ , 10%
- (b) given that the sequence length is to be greater than 5 hours, find the number of shift register stages required. 10%

### Solution

- (a)  $F_s = 2 \times 4K = 8KHz$   
 $\gamma = \log_2 Q = \log_2 128 = 7$   
 $r_b = \gamma F_s = 7 \times 8K = 56Kbits/s$   
 $T_{cs} = 2T_b = 2 \frac{1}{r_b} = 2 \frac{1}{56K} = 3.5714 \times 10^{-5}$   
 $PG = 20dB \Rightarrow 10 \log_{10} \frac{T_{cs}}{T_c} = 20 \Rightarrow 100 = \frac{T_{cs}}{T_c} \Rightarrow T_c = \frac{T_{cs}}{100} = 0.35714 \times 10^{-6}$   
i.e. chip rate =  $r_c = \frac{1}{T_c} = \frac{1}{0.35714 \times 10^{-6}} = 2.8\text{Mchips/s}$
- (b)  $N_c T_c = 5\text{hours} \Rightarrow N_c \geq \frac{5\text{hours}}{T_c} = \frac{5 \times 3600}{T_c} = \frac{5 \times 3600}{0.35714 \times 10^{-6}} = 0.0504 \times 10^{12}$   
 $\Rightarrow N_c = 2^m - 1 \Rightarrow 2^m = N_c + 1 \Rightarrow m = \log_2(N_c + 1) = \log_2(0.0504 \times 10^{12} + 1) = 35.553$   
i.e.  $m = 36$

2. Consider a DS-BPSK CDMA systems where the received powers from all users are equal to  $10^{-2}$  (a perfectly power controlled system). The system operates in the presence of additive white Gaussian noise of double sided power spectral density  $0.5 \times 10^{-11}$  while the processing gain of the system is 400. If the bit rate for each user is  $25\text{ kbits/sec}$  and the Signal-to-Noise-plus-Interference ratio at the output of the  $j^{th}$  receiver is equal to 14, how many users are supported by the system? 50%

### Solution

$$P = 10^{-2}$$
$$SNIR_{out} = 14$$
$$r_{cs} = 25 \Rightarrow T_{cs} = \frac{1}{25k}$$
$$PG = 400 \Rightarrow PG = \frac{B_{ss}}{B} = \frac{T_{cs}}{T_c} \Rightarrow T_c = \frac{T_{cs}}{PG} = 10^{-7}$$
$$B_{ss} = \frac{1}{T_c} = 10\text{MHz}$$
$$SNIR_{out} = 2EUE_{equ} = 2 \frac{E_b}{N_0 + N_j} = 2 \frac{PT_{cs}}{N_0 + (K-1) \frac{P}{B_{ss}}}$$

$$\Rightarrow N_0 + (K - 1) \frac{P}{B_{ss}} = \frac{2PT_{cs}}{\text{SNIR}_{out}}$$

$$\Rightarrow K = \left( \frac{2PT_{cs}}{\text{SNIR}_{out}} - N_0 \right) \frac{B_{ss}}{P} + 1 \simeq 58 \text{ users}$$

3. Consider a digital cellular DS-BPSK CDMA communication system which employs three directional antennas each having  $120^\circ$  beamwidth, thereby dividing each cell into 3 sectors. The system can support up to 201 users/subscribers and operates with a data bit-rate of 500 kbits/sec in the presence of additive white Gaussian noise of double-sided power spectral density  $10^{-9}$ . With a bit-error-probability for each user of  $3 \times 10^{-5}$ , a power equal to 10 mWatts, and a voice activity factor  $\alpha = 0.375$ , find:

- (a) the average energy per bit  $E_b$ , 5%  
 (b) the equivalent EUE ( $\text{EUE}_{equ}$ ), 5%  
 (c) the processing gain (PG) of the system. 10%

### Solution

- (a)  $P = 10 \text{ mW}$   
 $r_b = 500 \text{ kbits/sec} \Rightarrow T_{cs} = \frac{1}{500} \text{ msec}$   
 (b)  $K = 201 \text{ users}$   
 $N_0 = 2 \times 10^{-9}$   
 $p_e = 3 \times 10^{-5}$   
 $a = 0.375$   
 $s = 1/3$   
 $E_b = PT_{cs} = 10 \times 10^{-3} \times \frac{1}{500} \times 10^{-3} = 2 \times 10^{-8}$   
 $p_e = T \{ \sqrt{2 \text{EUE}_{equ}} \} \Rightarrow 3 \times 10^{-5} = T \{ \sqrt{2 \text{EUE}_{equ}} \}$   
 $\Rightarrow$  (using "tail graph" supplied)  
 $4 = \sqrt{2 \text{EUE}_{equ}} \Rightarrow \text{EUE}_{equ} = 8$   
 (c) However,  $\text{EUE}_{equ} = \frac{E_b}{N_0 + N_j}$   
 where  $E_b = PT_{cs}$  and  $N_j = \frac{(K-1) \cdot P \cdot a \cdot s}{B_{ss}} = \frac{(K-1) \cdot P \cdot a \cdot s}{\text{PG} / T_{cs}}$   
 Therefore,  $\text{EUE}_{equ} = \frac{PT_{cs}}{N_0 + \frac{(K-1) \cdot P \cdot a \cdot s}{\text{PG} / T_{cs}}} \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow \text{PG} = \frac{(K-1) \cdot P \cdot a \cdot s \cdot T_{cs}}{\text{EUE}_{equ} - N_0}$   
 $\Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow \text{PG} = 1000$

4. Consider a DS-BPSK CDMA system of 256 users where each user has a protection probability equal to  $10^{-2}$  and an Anti-jam Margin of 30 dB. Each user employs a feedback shift register of 21 stages, whose feedback connections are described by a primitive polynomial. The system is perfectly power controlled and the received power from each user is equal to  $P = 0.1915 \text{ W}$  operating in the presence of additive white Gaussian noise of double sided power spectral density  $0.5 \times 10^{-6} \text{ Watts/Hz}$ . Find:

- (a) the average energy per bit  $E_b$  and 20%  
 (b) the PN-code rate. 10%

### Solution

- (a)  $K = 256$   
 $\text{AJM} = 30 \text{ dB} \Rightarrow \log_{10} \text{EUE}_{equ} - 10 \log_{10} \text{EUE}_{PR} = 30$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{\text{EUE}_{equ}}{\text{EUE}_{PR}} = 10^3$  (1)  
 $p_{e,PR} = 10^{-2}$   
 $m = 21 \Rightarrow N_c = 2^m - 1 \Rightarrow N_c = 2^{21} - 1 = 2.0972 \times 10^6$   
 $P = 0.1915$   
 $N_0 = 0.5 \times 10^{-6}$

$$\begin{aligned}
p_{e,PR} &= T\{\sqrt{2 \text{EUE}_{PR}}\} \Rightarrow 10^{-2} = T\{\sqrt{2 \text{EUE}_{PR}}\} \\
&\text{using tail function graph we have} \\
\sqrt{2 \text{EUE}_{PR}} &= 2.3 \text{ (or } 2.3263) \Rightarrow \text{EUE}_{PR} = 2.645 \text{ (or } 2.7058) \quad (2) \\
(1) \wedge (2) &\Rightarrow \text{EUE}_{equ} = 2645 \text{ (or } 2705.8) \\
\text{EUE}_{equ} &= \frac{E_b}{N_0 + N_j} = 2645 \text{ (or } 2705.8) \\
\Rightarrow E_b &= \text{EUE}_{equ} (N_0 + \frac{(K-1) \cdot E_b}{N_c}) \\
E_b \left(1 - \frac{\text{EUE}_{equ} (K-1)}{N_c}\right) &= \text{EUE}_{equ} N_0 \\
E_b &= \frac{\text{EUE}_{equ} N_0}{1 - \frac{\text{EUE}_{equ} (K-1)}{N_c}} = \frac{2705.8 \times 10^{-6}}{1 - \frac{2705.8 \times (256-1)}{2.0972 \times 10^6}} = 4.0325 \times 10^{-3} \\
(b) T_{cs} &= \frac{E_b}{P} = \frac{4.0325 \times 10^{-3}}{0.1915} = 21.057 \times 10^{-3} = 21.057 \text{ms} \\
N_c &= \frac{T_{cs}}{T_c} \Rightarrow T_c = \frac{T_{cs}}{N_c} = \frac{21.056 \times 10^{-3}}{2.0972 \times 10^6} = 10.04 \times 10^{-9} = 10.04 \text{ns} \\
\text{PN-code-rate} &= \frac{1}{T_c} = \frac{1}{10.04 \times 10^{-9}} = 99.602 \times 10^6 = \boxed{99.602 \text{Mchips/s}}
\end{aligned}$$

5. Consider a digital cellular DS-QPSK CDMA communication system with a Gray encoder/decoder which employs three directional antennas each having  $120^\circ$  beamwidth, thereby dividing each cell into 3 sectors. The system operates with a data bit-rate 25 kbits/sec. in the presence of additive white Gaussian noise of double-sided power spectral density  $10^{-9}$ , while the processing gain of the system is 400. With a desired bit-error-probability for each user  $3 \times 10^{-5}$ , a power equal to 5 mWatts, and a voice activity factor  $\alpha = 0.375$ , how many users/subscribers can be supported by the system?

30%

**Solution**

$$P = 5 \text{mW}$$

$$r_b = 25 \text{kbits/sec} \Rightarrow T_{cs} = 2T_b = 2 \frac{1}{r_b} = 2 \frac{1}{25 \times 10^3} = \frac{1}{12500} = 8 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\frac{N_0}{2} = 10^{-9} \Rightarrow N_0 = 2 \times 10^{-9}$$

$$\text{PG} = N_c = 400 \Rightarrow 400 = \frac{T_{cs}}{T_c} \Rightarrow T_c = \frac{8 \times 10^{-5}}{400} = 2 \times 10^{-7}$$

$$p_e = 3 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$a = 0.375$$

$$s = 3$$

$$p_e = \mathbf{T}\{\sqrt{2 \text{EUE}_{equ}}\} \Rightarrow 3 \times 10^{-5} = \mathbf{T}\{\sqrt{2 \text{EUE}_{equ}}\} \quad (\text{using the tail function graph}) \Rightarrow 4 = \sqrt{2 \text{EUE}_{equ}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{EUE}_{equ} = \frac{16}{2} = 8 \Rightarrow$$

$$E_b = \frac{PT_{cs}}{2} = \frac{5 \times 10^{-3} \times 8 \times 10^{-5}}{2} = 2 \times 10^{-7} \left. \begin{array}{l} \frac{E_b}{N_0 + N_j} = 8 \\ N_j = \frac{(K-1) P a s}{B_{ss}} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \frac{E_b}{N_0 + (K-1) P a s T_c} = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow K = \left(\frac{PT_{cs}/2}{8} - N_0\right) \cdot \frac{1}{P a s T_c} + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow K = \left(\frac{5 \times 10^{-3} \times 8 \times 10^{-5}}{2 \times 8} - 2 \times 10^{-9}\right) \frac{1}{5 \times 10^{-3} \times 0.375 \times 1/3 \times 2 \times 10^{-7}} + 1 = 185$$

END