

# DETECTION

## General problem of detection:

A signal  $x(t)$  is received :  $x(t) = \begin{cases} n(t) \\ s(t) + n(t) \end{cases}$ ,  $n(t)$  is the noise and  $s(t)$  is the signal and we know it precisely.

The observer must choose between two possible situations

- $H_0$  : There is no signal and  $x(t)$  is just noise
- $H_1$  : The signal is present and  $x(t)=s(t)+n(t)$

## Assumptions:

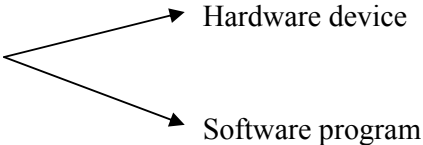
- (1) The signal  $x(t)$  is known and we want to know if it is present or not.
- (2)  $n(t)$  is a stochastic process with known statistics.
- (3) The observer must base its decision on
  - a. Samples of  $x(t)$  (digital  $x(nT)$ )
  - b. The entire  $x(t)$  (analog)

We shall address the digital problem:

- We assume that
- (a)  $s(t)$  and  $n(t)$  are independent
  - (b) The samples of  $n(t)$  are uncorrelated

## Objectives:

Design the optimum system:

- The system can be linear or nonlinear
- System means 

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graph LR; A[System means] --> B[Hardware device]; A --> C[Software program];
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## Criteria:

The system must be optimum with respect to a criterion which depends on the particular problem.

Sometimes we are satisfied with a sub optimum system because it is much simpler than the optimum.

Parametric detection: if we know the p.d.f of  $n(t)$  (complete description)

Non parametric detection: if we don't have a complete description of  $n(t)$ .

(ex. : we only know  $R_n[n] = \sigma_n^2 \delta[n]$ )

Robust detector: is called a detector, which performs within acceptable levels even if the assumption regarding noise is violated or otherwise performs equally, well in a different environment than the assumed one.

Example:

Assume that noise is Gaussian and then investigate its performance under noise with another distribution.

Errors:

Due to the presence of noise we can perform errors in our decisions

(1). Error of the first kind:  $P_{e0}$ . It is the probability to decide that the signal is present when it is not or choose  $H_1$  when  $H_0$  is true.

(2). Error of the second kind:  $P_{e1}$ . When the signal is present you decide that it is not or choose  $H_0$  when  $H_1$  is true.

### **Problem 1**

Detection of a pulse (PCM or radar e.t.c)

Case A

Assumption:

a.  $s(t) = \begin{cases} A \\ 0 \end{cases}$

b. Probability of  $s(t) = A = P_1$

c. Probability of  $s(t) = 0 = 1 - P_1$

d. Probability density function of  $n(t)$  is known

e. We must base our decision on one sample

Criterion: Minimize the probability of error:

$$P_e = P_1 P_{e1} + (1 - P_1) P_{e0}$$

Solution: Decision will be based on  $x[n] = x_1$ . If  $x_1$  is in one Range  $R_1$  then we decide that  $H_1$  is true and our problem is to find  $R_1$ .

$$P_{e0} = \{x_1 \text{ is in } R_1 \text{ but } s(t) \text{ is not present}\} = \int_{R_1} f_{x_1}(x_1 / s(t) = 0) dx$$

$$P_{e1} = \int_{1-R_1} f_{x_1}(x_1/s(t)=A)dx = 1 - \int_{R_1} f_{x_1}(x_1/s(t)=A)dx$$

$\Rightarrow$  Total Error

$$P_e = (1-p_1) \int_{R_1} f_{x_1}(x_1/s(t)=0)dx + p_1 \left( 1 - \int_{R_1} f_{x_1}(x_1/s(t)=A)dx \right) =$$

$$= p_1 + \int_{R_1} [(1-p_1)f_{x_1}(x/0) - p_1 f_{x_1}(x/A)]dx$$

Choose  $R_1$  such that

$$[(1-P_1)f_{x_1}(x/0)] - P_1 f_{x_1}(x/A) < 0$$

$$l(x_1) = \frac{f_{x_1}(x/A)}{f_{x_1}(x/0)} > \frac{1-P_1}{P_1}$$

$l(x_1)$  = Likelihood ratio

Sometimes it is more convenient to take logarithms

$$\ln l(x_1) > \ln \frac{1-P_1}{P_1}$$

Comment: the worst case will be  $P_e = 1/2$

### Sub case A.1

Noise is gaussian distributed with zero mean and variance  $\sigma^2$

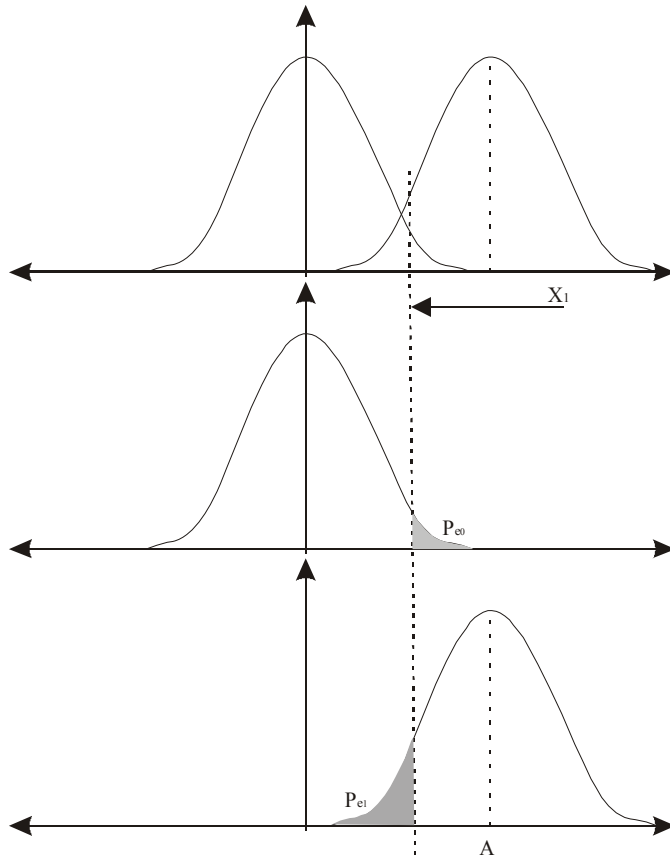
$$\frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(x_1-A)^2}{2\sigma_x^2}}}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{x_1^2}{2\sigma_x^2}}} \geq \frac{1-P_1}{P_1} \Rightarrow \left( \frac{-(x_1-A)^2 + x_1^2}{2\sigma_x^2} \right) \geq \ln \frac{1-P_1}{P_1} \Rightarrow \frac{x_1 A}{\sigma_x^2} - \frac{A^2}{2\sigma_x^2} \geq \ln \frac{1-P_1}{P_1}$$

$$\Rightarrow X_1 > \frac{A}{2} + \frac{\sigma_x^2}{A} \ln \frac{1-P_1}{P_1} = D$$

Ορισμός:  $erf(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{-x}^x e^{-t^2} dt = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^x e^{-t^2} dt$

In this case probability of error is:

$$Pe = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \left( P_1 \operatorname{erf} \frac{A-D}{\sqrt{2}\sigma_x} + (1-P_1) \operatorname{erf} \frac{D}{\sqrt{2}\sigma_x} \right)$$



If  $P_1=1/2$  then we have the expected decision  $x_1 > A/2$  signal is present.

Numerical example:

Computer transmits 0,1,... Each pulse occupies T sec and we sample every T sec.

$P_1=P_2=1/2$  choose A such that  $Pe=10^{-5}$ .

$$D = \frac{A}{2} \Rightarrow Pe = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} \cdot \left[ 2 \operatorname{erf} \frac{A}{2 \cdot 2} \right] = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left[ \operatorname{erf} \frac{A}{4} \right]$$

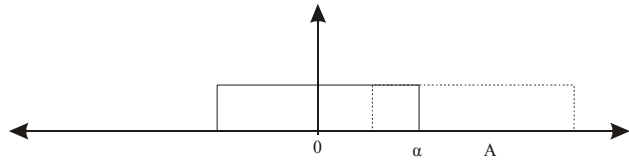
$$\Rightarrow \operatorname{erf} \frac{A}{4} = 2 \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{2} - Pe \right] = 0.99998 \Rightarrow \frac{A}{4} = 3 \Rightarrow A = 12$$

Let  $T=1\mu s \Rightarrow$  on the average we are going to perform 10 errors every second!

Sub case A.2

Assume a different distribution

Uniform distribution



$P_e=0$  if  $A-a > a$ ,  $R1=x \geq A-a$

$A-a < a$  or  $A < 2a$

$$l(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < A-a \\ 1 & A-a < x < a \\ \infty & a < x \end{cases}$$

