

# ITS323 – Quiz 2

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## Question 1 [3 marks]

Consider a signal transmitted in a noise-free channel, where the signal has [ 128 | 64 | ] different possible signal elements. What is the required channel bandwidth to support a data rate of [ 70Mb/s | 60kb/s | ]? Show your calculations.

**Answer.** Using the Nyquist capacity equation, with  $M = 128$  (or  $64$ ) and  $C = 70\text{Mb/s}$  (or  $60\text{kb/s}$ ), we obtain a bandwidth  $B = 5\text{MHz}$  (or  $5\text{kHz}$ ).

## Question 2 [3 marks]

Consider a signal received with power of [ | | 354mW | 12.6mW ] in a channel with measured noise of [ | | 2mW | 200uW ]. What is the required channel bandwidth to support a data rate of [ | | 210kb/s | 120Mb/s ]? Show your calculations.

**Answer.** Using the Shannon capacity equation, with  $\text{SNR} = 177$  (or  $63$ ) and  $C = 210\text{kb/s}$  (or  $120\text{Mb/s}$ ), we obtain a bandwidth  $B = 28\text{kHz}$  (or  $20\text{MHz}$ ). (Note I made a mistake in the question: I should have used 254 instead of 354; then the logarithm is easier to calculate)

## Question 3 [3 marks]

Select the most appropriate word/phrase from those listed below to fill in the blanks in the statements about data transmission.

bandwidth; data rate; cost; errors; bits; analog data; analog signals; analog transmission; digital data; digital signals; digital transmission

- Increasing bandwidth results in increased data rate and \_\_\_\_\_. *cost*
- Increasing signal strength results in increased \_\_\_\_\_. *data rate*
- Increasing noise results in decreased \_\_\_\_\_. *data rate*
- Increasing the number of signal levels results in increased data rate and \_\_\_\_\_. *errors*
- A home, fixed telephone takes as input \_\_\_\_\_ and transmits \_\_\_\_\_. *analog data, analog signals*
- An ADSL Internet modem takes as input \_\_\_\_\_ and transmits \_\_\_\_\_. *digital data, analog signals*

- (g) Speech is an example of \_\_\_\_\_ *analog data*
- (h) Text is an example of \_\_\_\_\_ *digital data*
- (i) In \_\_\_\_\_, repeaters are used to cover a long distance with multiple links.  
*digital transmission*
- (j) In \_\_\_\_\_, amplifiers are used to cover a long distance with multiple links.  
*analog transmission*

### Question 4 [4 marks]

Consider the general signal equation  $s(t)$ :

$$s(t) = \frac{A}{1} \sin(2\pi 1ft) + \frac{A}{3} \sin(2\pi 3ft) + \frac{A}{5} \sin(2\pi 5ft) + \dots + \frac{A}{N} \sin(2\pi Nft)$$

where  $N$  is an odd number.

If a signal with [ 5 | 4 | 6 | 5 ] components and bandwidth of [ 16MHz | 24MHz | 50MHz | 24MHz ] is used, then what is the period of  $s(t)$ ? Show your calculations.

**Answer.** *With 5 components, the 5th component will have a frequency of  $9f$ . The minimum frequency (1st component) has a frequency of  $f$ . Hence the bandwidth is  $8f = 16\text{MHz}$ , implying the frequency of the signal is  $2\text{MHz}$ . Hence the period is  $0.5\mu\text{s}$ .*

*The answers of the variants are:*

- $6f = 24\text{MHz}; f = 4\text{MHz}; T = 0.25\mu\text{s}$
- $10f = 50\text{MHz}; f = 5\text{MHz}; T = 0.2\mu\text{s}$
- $8f = 24\text{MHz}; f = 3\text{MHz}; T = 0.333\mu\text{s}$