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Department of Systems and Computer Engineering
SYSC5608 – Wireless Communications Systems Engineering – Fall 2013
Term Exam
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Instructions: Closed-book. One-page aid-sheet is permitted. Write answers in the spaces provided on the question sheet. If necessary, use both sides of a page. Duration: 80 minutes.

Name:

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| 1 Total | | 90 |
| 2 | | 60 |
| 3 | | 50 |
| Total | | 200 |

Question 1 – Short Questions [140 points]

a) [5 pts] If it takes 1 minute to download a movie using wired internet, how long will it take to download the same movie using wireless internet where the speed is one-tenth of the wired speed?

b) [5 pts] What is the wavelength if the carrier frequency is 1 GHz.

c) [5 pts] What is the unit for spectral efficiency?

d) [10 pts] State an interesting news item you have seen at the FierceWireless website.

e) [10 pts] What is the highest bit-rate achievable in a point-to-point system if

- SNR = 20 dB
- Number of transmit antennas = 6
- Number of receive antennas = 4
- Bandwidth = 20 MHz

f) [10 pts] It is often assumed that the white noise power spectral density is $N_0 = -174$ dBm/Hz. Show how this value is calculated? [Note that $P_{noise} = kTBF$ Watts, where $k = 1.38 \times 10^{-23}$ joule/ $^{\circ}$ K]

g) [10 pts] Briefly explain the following concepts:

- Precoding

- Interference-limited system

h) [10 pts] Consider a wireless channel modelled as an LTI (linear, time-invariant) system with an impulse response $h(t) = a\delta(t-t_d) + a\delta(t-T/2-t_d)$, where a and t_d are constants accounting for attenuation and transmission delay, respectively. Let us assume that $x(t)$ is the transmitted signal representing one single bit; it is a rectangular function with amplitude 1 and duration $[0, T]$. Sketch the received signal $y(t)$.

i) [10 pts] The PSD (power spectral density), $S_x(f)$, of a signal $X(t)$ is given as

$$S_x(f) = \begin{cases} \beta, & -930\text{MHz} \leq f \leq -910\text{MHz} \\ \beta, & 910\text{MHz} \leq f \leq 930\text{MHz} \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases} .$$

- Find the bandwidth of $X(t)$.
- Find the total power of $X(t)$.

j) [15 pts] The average path loss in a wireless link is modeled as $\overline{PL} = \left(\frac{4\pi d_0}{\lambda}\right)^2 \left(\frac{d}{d_0}\right)^{3.3}$. When

the carrier frequency is 900 MHz, it is observed that $\overline{PL}=70$ dB while the user is at a particular point. If the carrier frequency is increased from 900 MHz to 45 GHz, what will be \overline{PL} at that same point?

Question 2 [60 points] – MMSE Estimation for the Path Loss Exponent

Three received power measurements were taken at distances 1 m, 10 m, and 100 m from a transmitter, as shown in the below table:

| I | d_i [m] | $P_{RX,measured}$ [dBm] |
|-----|-----------|-------------------------|
| 0 | 1 | -5 |
| 1 | 10 | -40 |
| 2 | 100 | -90 |

Based on these measurements, you are asked to develop an average received power model, in the form $\overline{P_{RX}}(d) = P_{RX}(d_0) + 10n \log(d_0/d)$. In your model, take the reference close-in distance as $d_0 = 1$ m. As a result, the measured and the predicted average values should be the same at this point; that is, $\overline{P_{RX}} = P_{RX,measured}$ at $d=d_0$.

- (a) Find the minimum mean square error (MMSE) estimate for the path loss exponent, n .
- (b) Next, lognormal shadowing is introduced in the model to account for the difference between the measured received power and the predicted average received power: $P_{RX}(d) = \overline{P_{RX}}(d) + X_\sigma$. Find the standard deviation of the random variable X .

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Question 3 [50 points] – Outage in a Cellular Network

A cellular operator would like to cover as large a region as possible with a single BS; but it is concerned about the outage probability.

The user equipment (UE) sensitivity level is given as -100 dBm (that is, if the received signal power is below this level, the signal cannot be detected). The outage probability is defined as $Pr_{out} = \text{Prob}(P_{RX} < -100 \text{ [dBm]})$.

The received signal power is modeled as $P_{RX} \text{ [dBm]} = 15 - 40\log(d) + X$, where X is a Gaussian random variable with 0-dB mean and 5-dB standard deviation.

Sketch Pr_{out} as a function of the BS-UE distance d for the range $d=400$ m to $d=1000$ m by calculating Pr_{out} at $d = 400, 600, 800, 1000$ m. Use the linear scale in both the vertical and horizontal axes in your graph.

Help: If $u: G(\mu, \sigma) \rightarrow \text{Prob}(u \geq z) = Q\left(\frac{z - \mu}{\sigma}\right)$. Also, $Q(t) = 1 - Q(-t)$.

| t | $Q(t)$ | t | $Q(t)$ | t | $Q(t)$ | t | $Q(t)$ |
|-----|---------|-----|---------|-----|---------|-----|---------|
| 0.0 | 0.50000 | 1.0 | 0.15866 | 2.0 | 0.02275 | 3.0 | 0.00135 |
| 0.1 | 0.46017 | 1.1 | 0.13567 | 2.1 | 0.01786 | 3.1 | 0.00097 |
| 0.2 | 0.42074 | 1.2 | 0.11507 | 2.2 | 0.01390 | 3.2 | 0.00069 |
| 0.3 | 0.38209 | 1.3 | 0.09680 | 2.3 | 0.01072 | 3.3 | 0.00048 |
| 0.4 | 0.34458 | 1.4 | 0.08076 | 2.4 | 0.00820 | 3.4 | 0.00034 |
| 0.5 | 0.30854 | 1.5 | 0.06681 | 2.5 | 0.00621 | 3.5 | 0.00023 |
| 0.6 | 0.27425 | 1.6 | 0.05480 | 2.6 | 0.00466 | 3.6 | 0.00016 |
| 0.7 | 0.24196 | 1.7 | 0.04457 | 2.7 | 0.00347 | 3.7 | 0.00011 |
| 0.8 | 0.21186 | 1.8 | 0.03593 | 2.8 | 0.00256 | 3.8 | 0.00007 |
| 0.9 | 0.18406 | 1.9 | 0.02872 | 2.9 | 0.00187 | 3.9 | 0.00005 |

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