
MATHEMATICAL QUESTIONS

Question 1

Prove the following statements for the limiting forms of the Lagurre distribution.

(a) $Lagurre(0, b, 0) \equiv Bose(b)$.

(b) $Lagurre(a, 0, 0) \equiv Poisson(a)$.

(c) $Lagurre(a, b \rightarrow 0, c \rightarrow \infty) \equiv Poisson(a + bc)$.

Question 2

M independent noisy quasi-monochromatic optical fields around central frequency ν , each having a signal part with the distinct intensity I_i polluted by an independent identical zero-mean narrow-band stationary Gaussian random noise part with the mean square intensity σ^2 , impinging on a photo-detector with quantum efficiency η and area A over a short time interval T .

(a) Find the characteristic function $\Psi_{m_v}(\omega)$ of the overall carrier generation parameter $m_v = \sum_{i=1}^M m_{v_i}$.

(b) Find the probability density function $P_{m_v}(m)$ of the overall carrier generation parameter $m_v = \sum_{i=1}^M m_{v_i}$.

(c) Find the probability mass function $P(k)$ of the overall output carrier count.

(d) Find the mean, variance, and SNR of the overall output carrier count.

Question 3

A photo-detector is located at the focal plane of a circular lens with diameter D and focal length f , as shown in Fig. 1. The deterministic plane wave $a(t)e^{-jkz}$ passes through the lens. Find the statistics of the output carrier count over a short time interval width T . Assume that the photo-detector has a quantum efficiency of η and its area A is large enough to collect the main lobes of the focused beam.

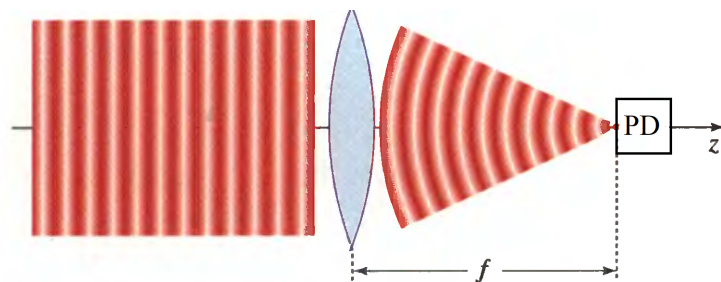


Figure 1: A photo-detector and the focal place of a circular lens.

Question 4

Let $x(t)$ be a random process with the semi-invariants χ_q . Define the normalized $x(t)$ as

$$\hat{x}(t) = \frac{x(t) - \chi_1}{\sqrt{\chi_2}}$$

with semi-invariants $\hat{\chi}_q$.

(a) Show that if $x(t)$ is a Gaussian random process, then $\hat{\chi}_1 = 0$, $\hat{\chi}_2 = 1$, and $\hat{\chi}_q = 0$, $q > 2$.

(b) For a Poisson shot noise process $i(t)$, $\chi_q = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^q(t-z)n(z)dz$. Determine the conditions on $n(t)$ such that $i(t)$ approaches a Gaussian shot noise process.

Question 5

A plane wave field with intensity I impinges on the detector systems shown in Fig. 2. Assume that all detectors have ideal gain g and quantum efficiency η . Neglect background noise and dark current. Determine the difference, if any, in the spectral densities at the output of the two systems. The detectors in the left system have area A while the detector in the right system has area $3A$.

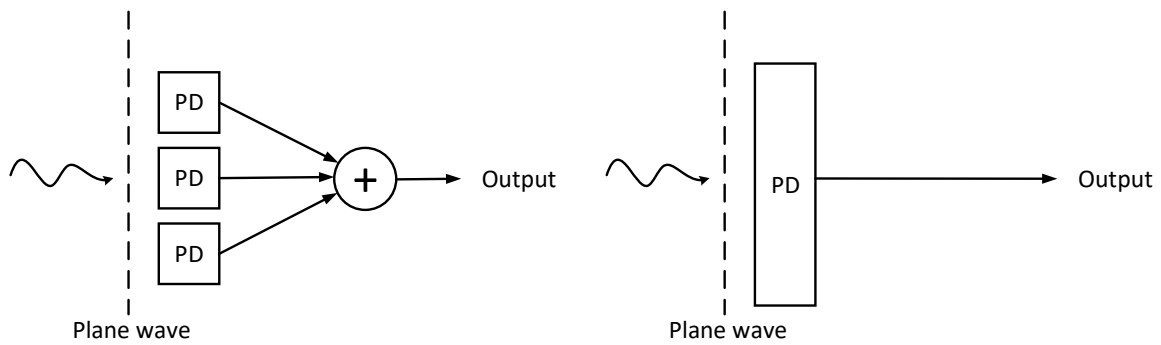


Figure 2: Two detecting systems.

SOFTWARE QUESTIONS

Question 6

A deterministic field with intensity $I(t)$ impinges on a photo-detector with area A , ideal gain g , and quantum efficiency η . Use Python or MATLAB to develop a function that produces random carrier generation times over an interval $[0, T]$.

BONUS QUESTIONS

Question 7

Extend the code in Question 6 to produce random carrier generation times when the impinging field is random with PDF $P_I(i)$.

Question 8

Return your answers by filling the \LaTeX template of the assignment.