1. Infection Source Detection

Consider a graph where each node represents a person and edges represent connectivity between them. At time 1, the source of the rumor $u^*$ appears. At time 2, the source chooses one of its neighbors, and infects the chosen neighbor. Similarly, in the following time slots, one of the uninfected nodes that are neighboring the nodes that are already infected in the previous time slots is chosen uniformly at random, and get infected. Right after time $n$, for each $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, you observe the infected network with $n$ infected nodes, and you want to detect the source of the infection.

(a) Consider an infinitely long linear network: node $i$ is connected with node $(i - 1)$ and node $(i + 1)$ for all $i \in \mathbb{Z}$. At time 11, 11 nodes, $\{-5, -4, \ldots, 4, 5\}$, are infected. Find the MLE of the source of the infection.

(b) Consider the following infection graph: at time 5, the following 5 nodes are infected. Find the MLE of the source of the infection.

(c) Consider the same graph. Given that node 4 has twice higher probability of being the source than the others, find the MAP estimate of the source of the infection.
(d) Consider an infinitely large 2D grid: node \((i,j)\) is connected with node \((i+u, j+v)\) for all \((u,v) \in \{(\pm 1, 0), (0, \pm 1)\}\) and all \((i,j) \in \mathbb{Z}^2\).

At time 4, 4 nodes \{\(0, 0\), \((1, 0)\), \((0, 1)\), \((-1, 0)\)\} are infected. Find the MLE of the source of the infection. Which node is the second most likely source?

2. Voltage MAP
You are trying to detect whether voltage \(V_1\) or voltage \(V_2\) was sent over a channel with independent Gaussian noise \(Z \sim N(V_3, \sigma^2)\). Assume that both voltages are equally likely to be sent.

(a) Derive the MAP detector for this channel.
(b) Using the Gaussian Q-function, determine the average error probability for the MAP detector.
(c) Suppose that the average transmit energy is \((V_1^2 + V_2^2)/2\) and that the average transmit energy is constrained such that it cannot be more than \(E > 0\). What voltage levels \(V_1, V_2\) should you choose to meet this energy constraint but still minimize the average error probability?

3. Conditional Expectation Identity
Prove that \(E[X E[Y \mid Z]] = E[Y E[X \mid Z]]\).

4. Geometric MMSE
Let \(N\) be a geometric random variable with parameter \(1 - p\), and \((X_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}\) be i.i.d. exponential random variables with parameter \(\lambda\). Let \(T = X_1 + \cdots + X_N\). Compute the LLSE and MMSE of \(N\) given \(T\).

5. Machine
A machine, once in production mode, operates continuously until an alarm signal is generated. The time up to the alarm signal is an exponential random variable with parameter 1. Subsequent to the alarm signal, the machine is tested for an exponentially distributed amount of time with parameter 5. The test results are positive, with probability \(1/2\), in which case the machine returns to production mode, or negative, with probability \(1/2\), in which case the machine is taken for repair. The duration of the repair is exponentially distributed with parameter 3.

(a) Let states 1, 2, 3 correspond to production mode, testing, and repair, respectively. Let \((X(t))_{t \geq 0}\) denote the state of the system at time \(t\). Is \((X(t))_{t \geq 0}\) a CTMC?
(b) Find the rate and transition matrices.
(c) Find the steady state probabilities.