



Digital Communications I: Modulation and Coding Course

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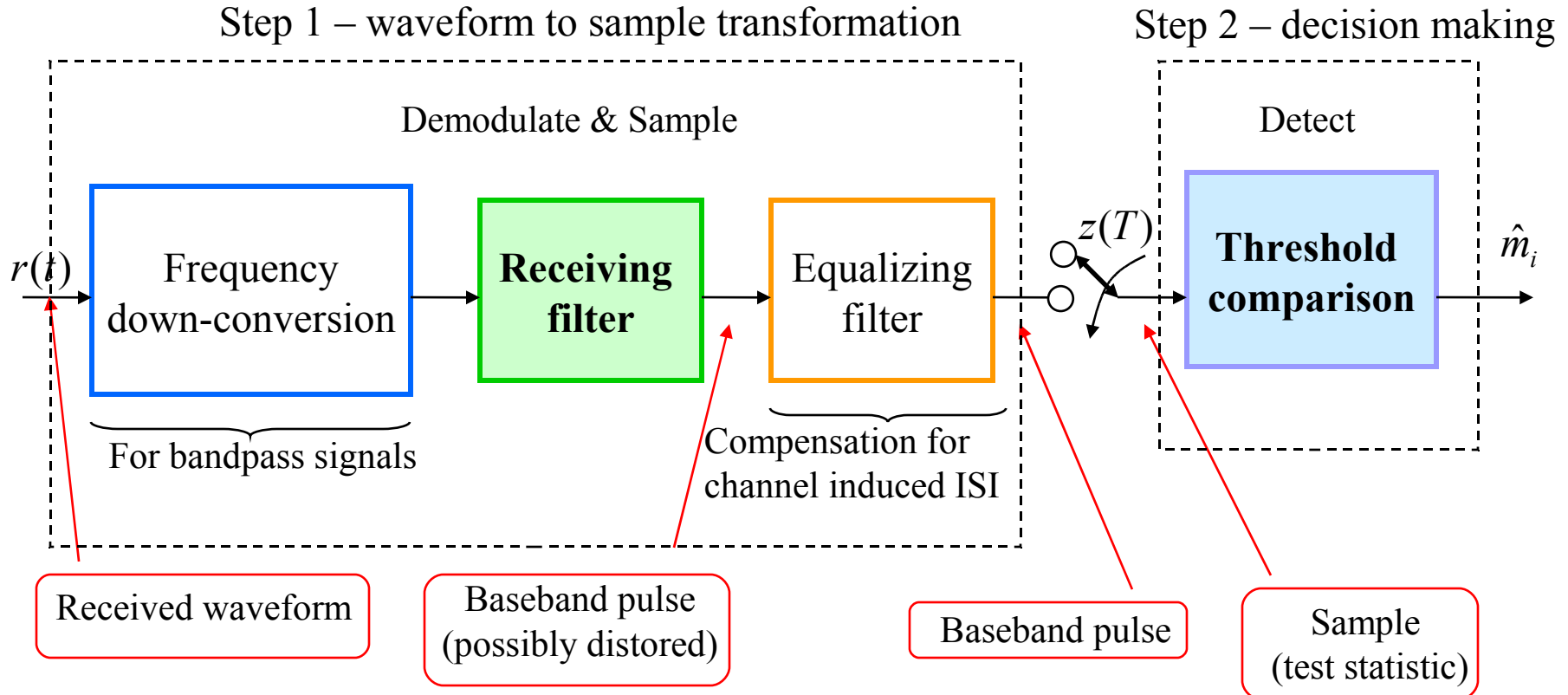
Last time we talked about:

- Receiver structure
- Impact of AWGN and ISI on the transmitted signal
- Optimum filter to maximize SNR
 - Matched filter receiver and Correlator receiver

Receiver job

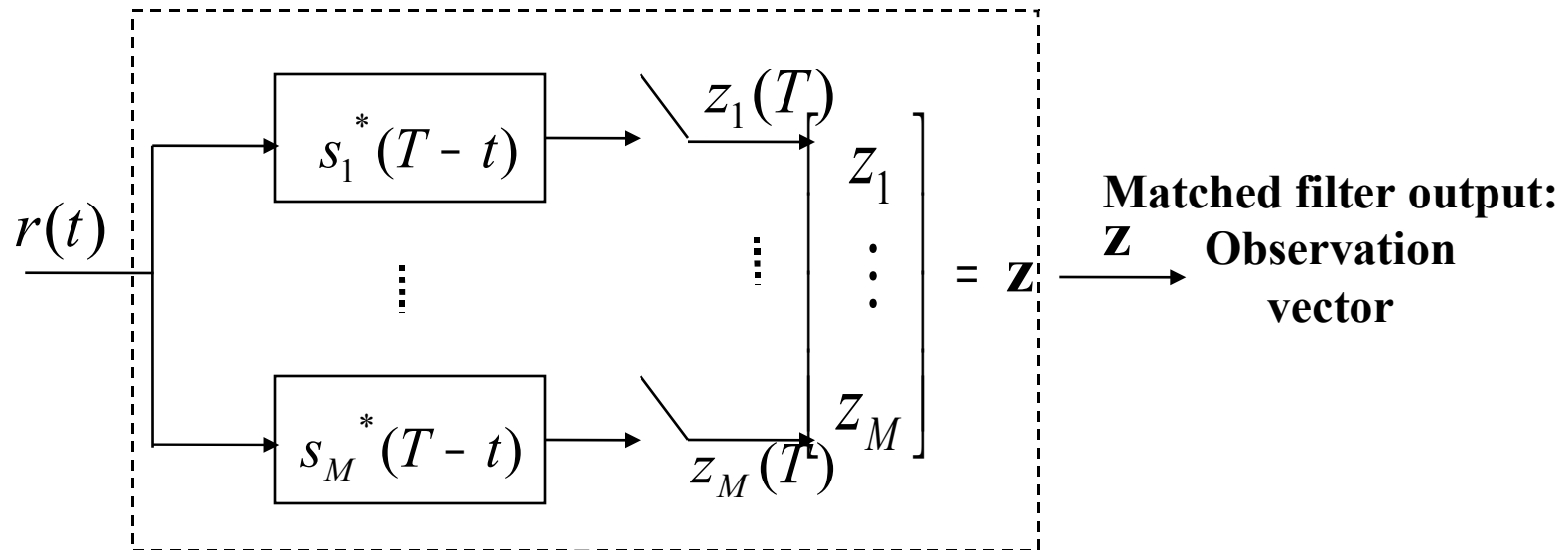
- Demodulation and sampling:
 - Waveform recovery and preparing the received signal for detection:
 - Improving the signal power to the noise power (SNR) using matched filter
 - Reducing ISI using equalizer
 - Sampling the recovered waveform
- Detection:
 - Estimate the transmitted symbol based on the received sample

Receiver structure



Implementation of matched filter receiver

Bank of M matched filters

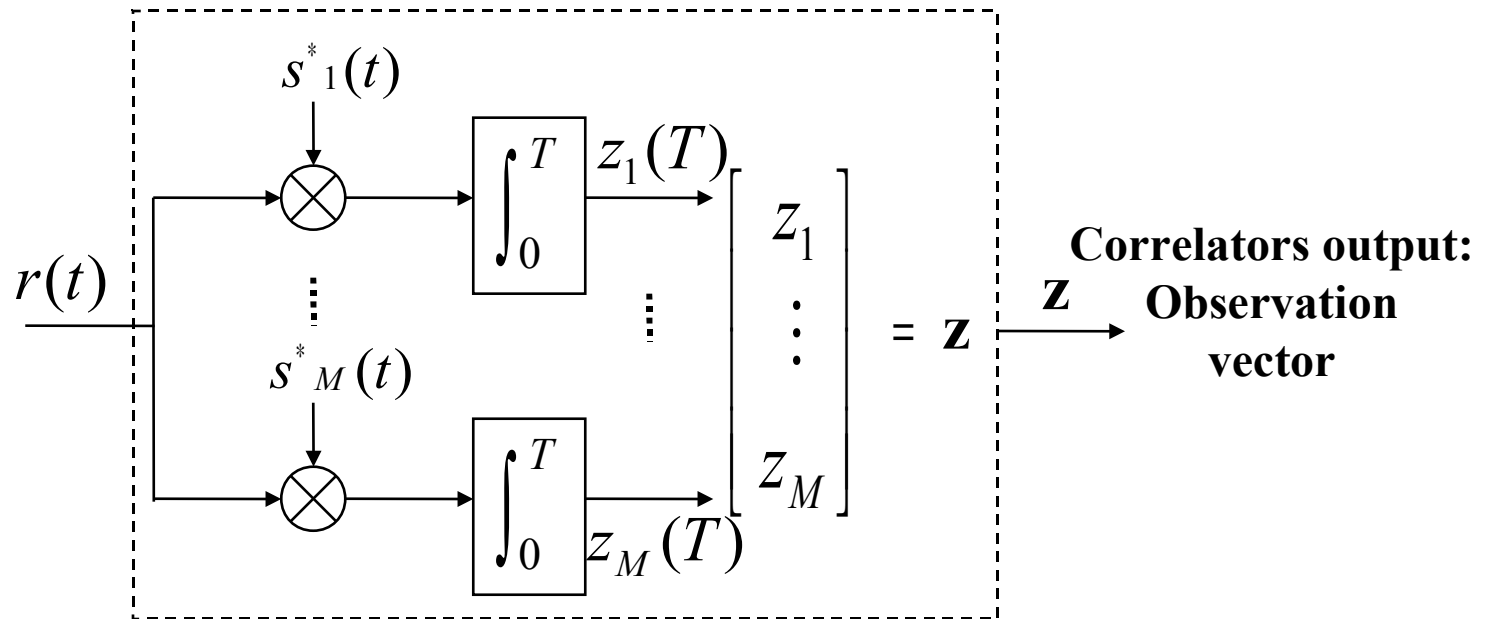


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Implementation of correlator receiver

Bank of M correlators



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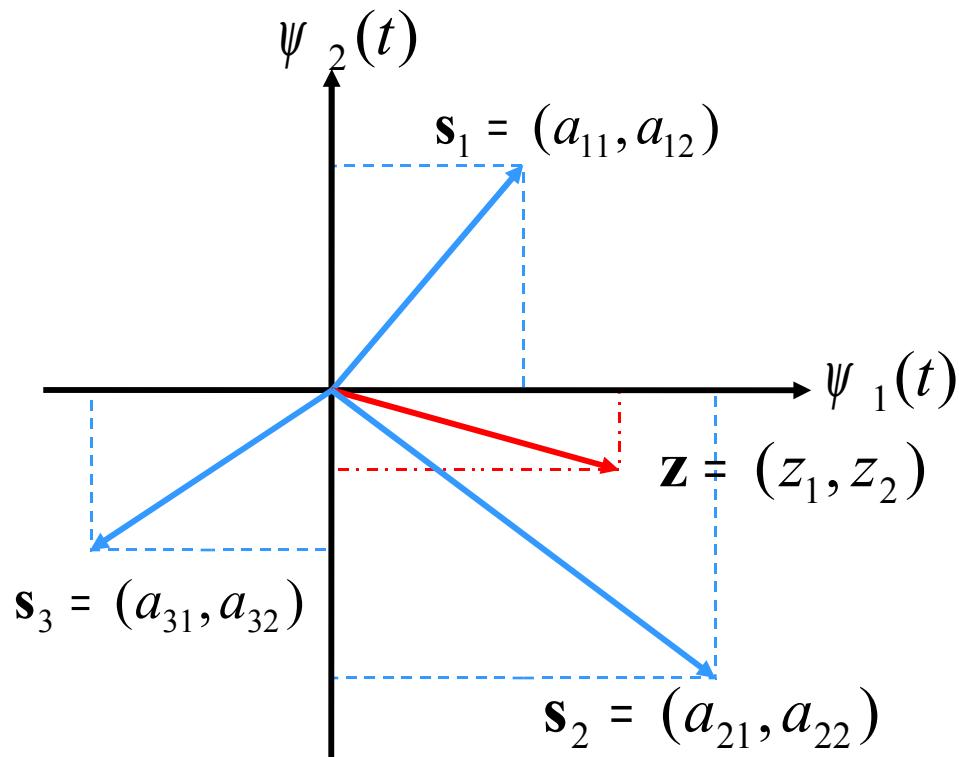
Today, we are going to talk about:

- Detection:
 - Estimate the transmitted symbol based on the received sample
- Signal space used for detection
 - Orthogonal N-dimensional space
 - Signal to waveform transformation and vice versa

Signal space

- What is a signal space?
 - Vector representations of signals in an N-dimensional orthogonal space
- Why do we need a signal space?
 - It is a means to convert signals to vectors and vice versa.
 - It is a means to calculate signals energy and Euclidean distances between signals.
- Why are we interested in Euclidean distances between signals?
 - For detection purposes: The received signal is transformed to a received vectors. The signal which has the minimum distance to the received signal is estimated as the transmitted signal.

Schematic example of a signal space



Transmitted signal alternatives

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} s_1(t) = a_{11}\psi_1(t) + a_{12}\psi_2(t) \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{s}_1 = (a_{11}, a_{12}) \\ s_2(t) = a_{21}\psi_1(t) + a_{22}\psi_2(t) \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{s}_2 = (a_{21}, a_{22}) \\ s_3(t) = a_{31}\psi_1(t) + a_{32}\psi_2(t) \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{s}_3 = (a_{31}, a_{32}) \end{array} \right.$$

Received signal at matched filter output

$$z(t) = z_1\psi_1(t) + z_2\psi_2(t) \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{z} = (z_1, z_2)$$

Signal space

- To form a signal space, first we need to know the inner product between two signals (functions):

- Inner (scalar) product:

$$\langle x(t), y(t) \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)y^*(t)dt$$

= cross-correlation between $x(t)$ and $y(t)$

- Properties of inner product:

$$\langle ax(t), y(t) \rangle = a \langle x(t), y(t) \rangle$$

$$\langle x(t), ay(t) \rangle = a^* \langle x(t), y(t) \rangle$$

$$\langle x(t) + y(t), z(t) \rangle = \langle x(t), z(t) \rangle + \langle y(t), z(t) \rangle$$

Signal space ...

- The distance in signal space is measure by calculating the norm.
- What is norm?

- Norm of a signal:

$$\|x(t)\| = \sqrt{\langle x(t), x(t) \rangle} = \sqrt{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)|^2 dt} = \sqrt{E_x}$$

= “length” of x(t)

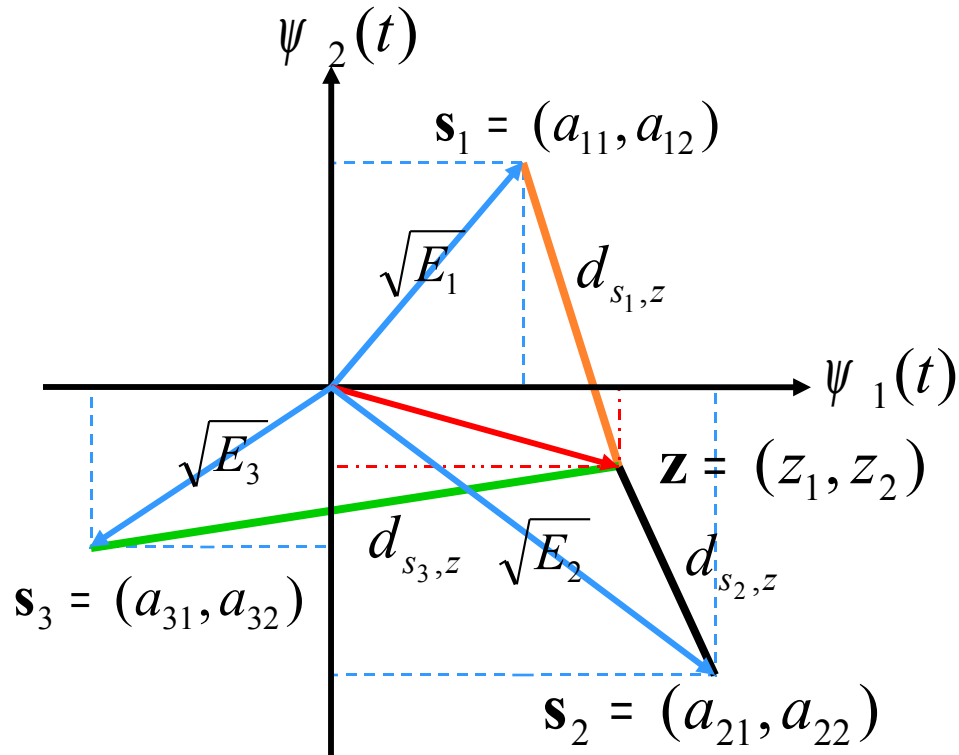
$$\|ax(t)\| = |a| \|x(t)\|$$

- Norm between two signals:

$$d_{x,y} = \|x(t) - y(t)\|$$

- We refer to the norm between two signals as the Euclidean distance between two signals.

Example of distances in signal space



The Euclidean distance between signals $z(t)$ and $s(t)$:

$$d_{s_i,z} = \|s_i(t) - z(t)\| = \sqrt{(a_{i1} - z_1)^2 + (a_{i2} - z_2)^2}$$

$$i = 1, 2, 3$$

Orthogonal signal space

- N-dimensional orthogonal signal space is characterized by N linearly independent functions $\{\psi_j(t)\}_{j=1}^N$ called basis functions. The basis functions must satisfy the orthogonality condition

$$\langle \psi_i(t), \psi_j(t) \rangle = \int_0^T \psi_i(t) \psi_j^*(t) dt = K_i \delta_{ji} \quad \begin{array}{l} 0 \leq t \leq T \\ j, i = 1, \dots, N \end{array}$$

where

$$\delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 \rightarrow i = j \\ 0 \rightarrow i \neq j \end{cases}$$

- If all $K_i = 1$, the signal space is orthonormal.

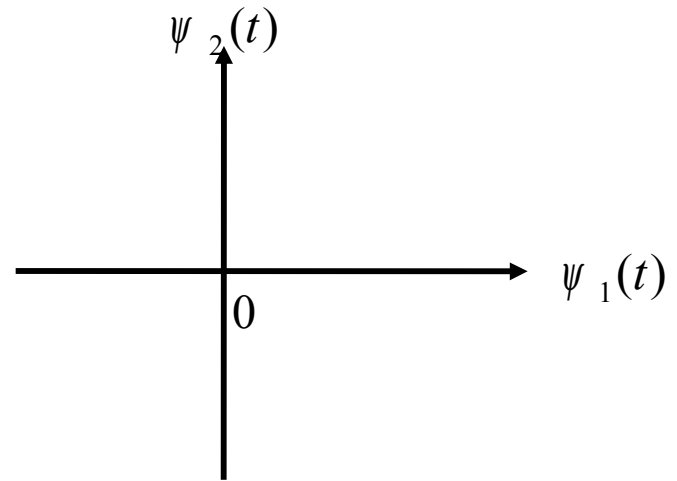
Example of an orthonormal basis

- Example: 2-dimensional orthonormal signal space

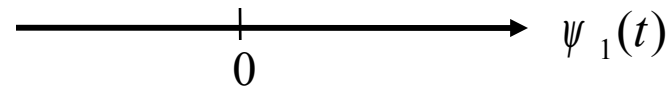
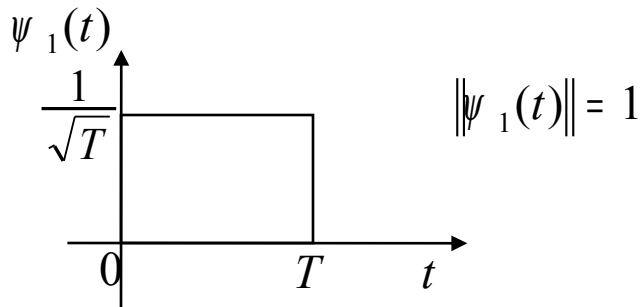
$$\begin{cases} \psi_1(t) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{T}} \cos(2\pi t/T) & 0 \leq t < T \\ \psi_2(t) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{T}} \sin(2\pi t/T) & 0 \leq t < T \end{cases}$$

$$\langle \psi_1(t), \psi_2(t) \rangle = \int_0^T \psi_1(t) \psi_2(t) dt = 0$$

$$\|\psi_1(t)\| = \|\psi_2(t)\| = 1$$



- Example: 1-dimensional orthonormal signal space



Signal space ...

- Any arbitrary finite set of waveforms $\{s_i(t)\}_{i=1}^M$

where each member of the set is of duration T , can be expressed as a linear combination of N orthonormal waveforms $\{\psi_j(t)\}_{j=1}^N$ where $N \leq M$.

$$s_i(t) = \sum_{j=1}^N a_{ij} \psi_j(t) \quad \begin{array}{l} i = 1, \dots, M \\ N \leq M \end{array}$$

where

$$a_{ij} = \frac{1}{K_j} \langle s_i(t), \psi_j(t) \rangle = \frac{1}{K_j} \int_0^T s_i(t) \psi_j^*(t) dt \quad \begin{array}{l} j = 1, \dots, N \\ i = 1, \dots, M \end{array} \quad 0 \leq t \leq T$$

$$\mathbf{s}_i = (a_{i1}, a_{i2}, \dots, a_{iN})$$

Vector representation of waveform

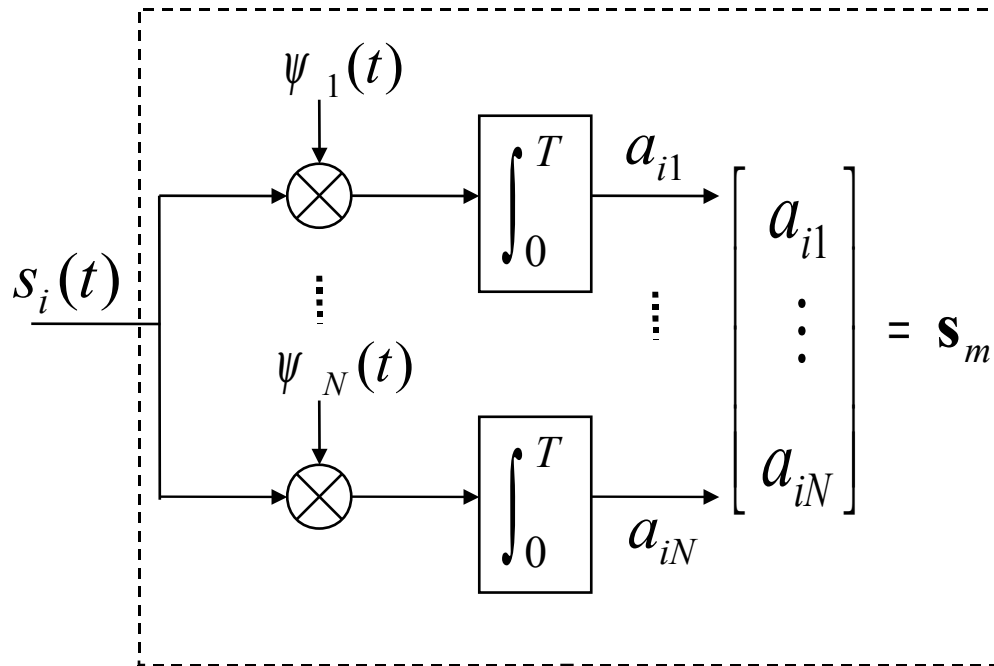
$$E_i = \sum_{j=1}^N K_j |a_{ij}|^2$$

Waveform energy

Signal space ...

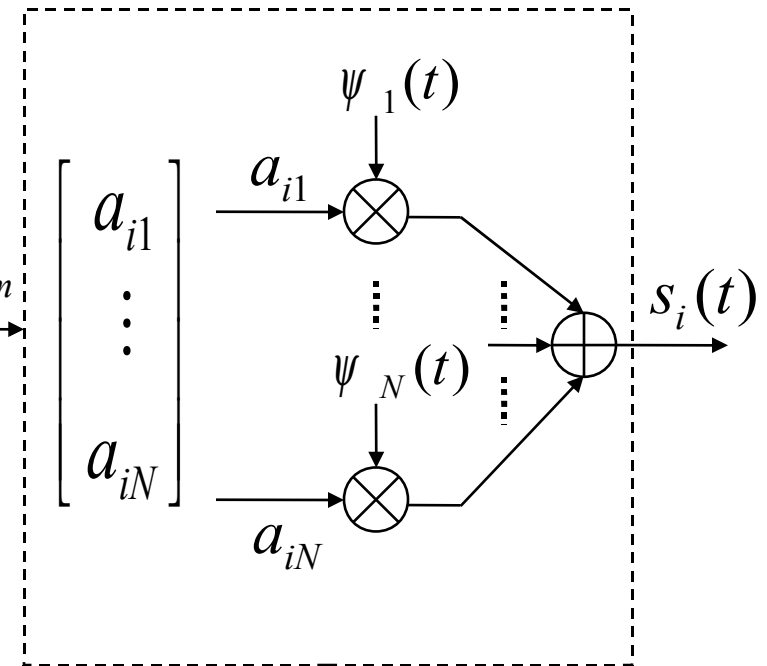
$$s_i(t) = \sum_{j=1}^N a_{ij} \psi_j(t)$$

Waveform to vector conversion

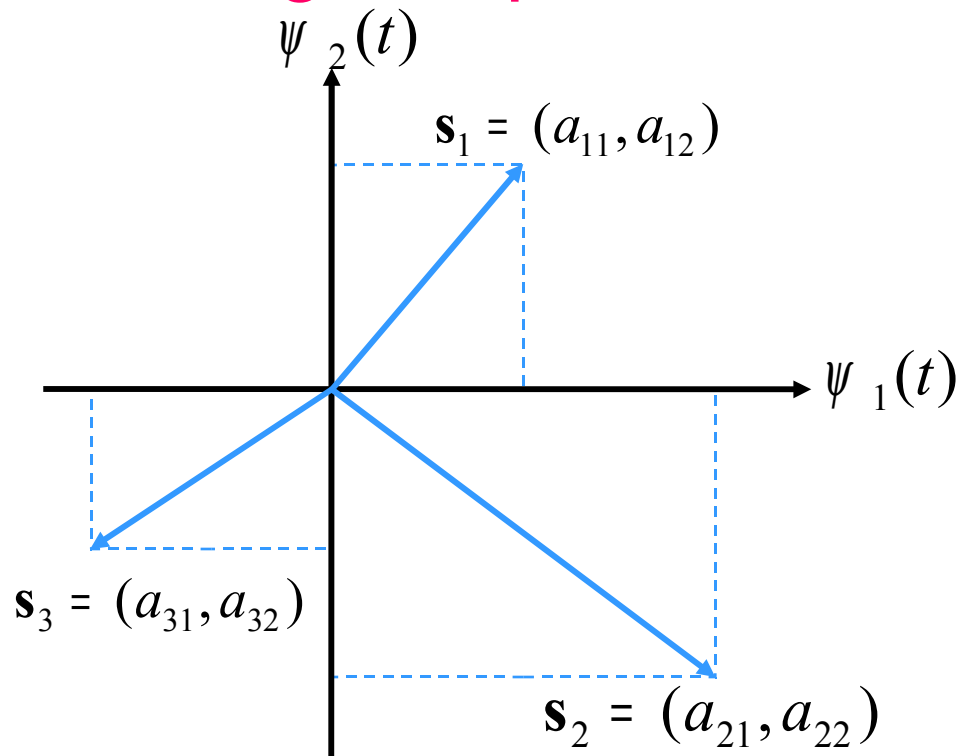


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Vector to waveform conversion



Example of projecting signals to an orthonormal signal space



Transmitted signal alternatives

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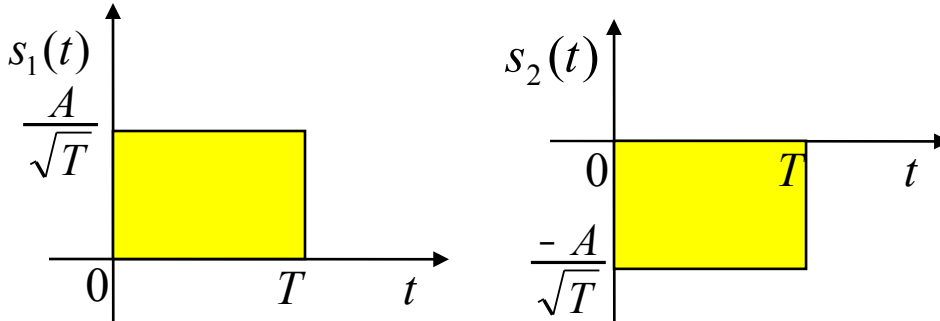
$$a_{ij} = \int_0^T s_i(t)\psi_j(t)dt \quad j = 1, \dots, N \quad i = 1, \dots, M \quad 0 \leq t \leq T$$

Signal space – cont'd

- To find an orthonormal basis functions for a given set of signals, the Gram-Schmidt procedure can be used.
- Gram-Schmidt procedure:
 - Given a signal set $\{s_i(t)\}_{i=1}^M$, compute an orthonormal basis $\{\psi_j(t)\}_{j=1}^N$
 1. Define $\psi_1(t) = s_1(t) / \sqrt{E_1} = s_1(t) / \|s_1(t)\|$
 2. For $i = 2, \dots, M$ compute $d_i(t) = s_i(t) - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \langle s_i(t), \psi_j(t) \rangle \psi_j(t)$
 - If $d_i(t) \neq 0$ let $\psi_i(t) = d_i(t) / \|d_i(t)\|$
 - If $d_i(t) = 0$ do not assign any basis function.
 3. Renumber the basis functions such that basis is $\{\psi_1(t), \psi_2(t), \dots, \psi_N(t)\}$
 - This is only necessary if $d_i(t) = 0$ for any i in step 2.
 - Note that $N \leq M$

Example of Gram-Schmidt procedure

- Find the basis functions and plot the signal space for the following transmitted signals:



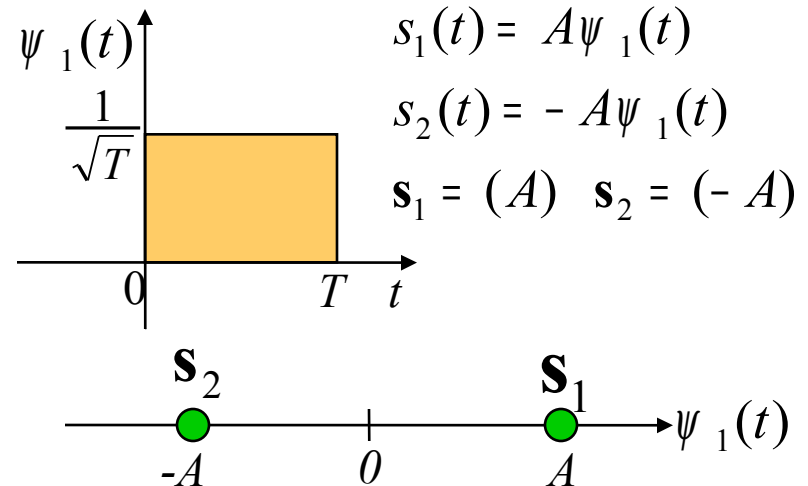
- Using Gram-Schmidt procedure:

$$\textcircled{1} E_1 = \int_0^T |s_1(t)|^2 dt = A^2$$

$$\psi_1(t) = s_1(t) / \sqrt{E_1} = s_1(t) / A$$

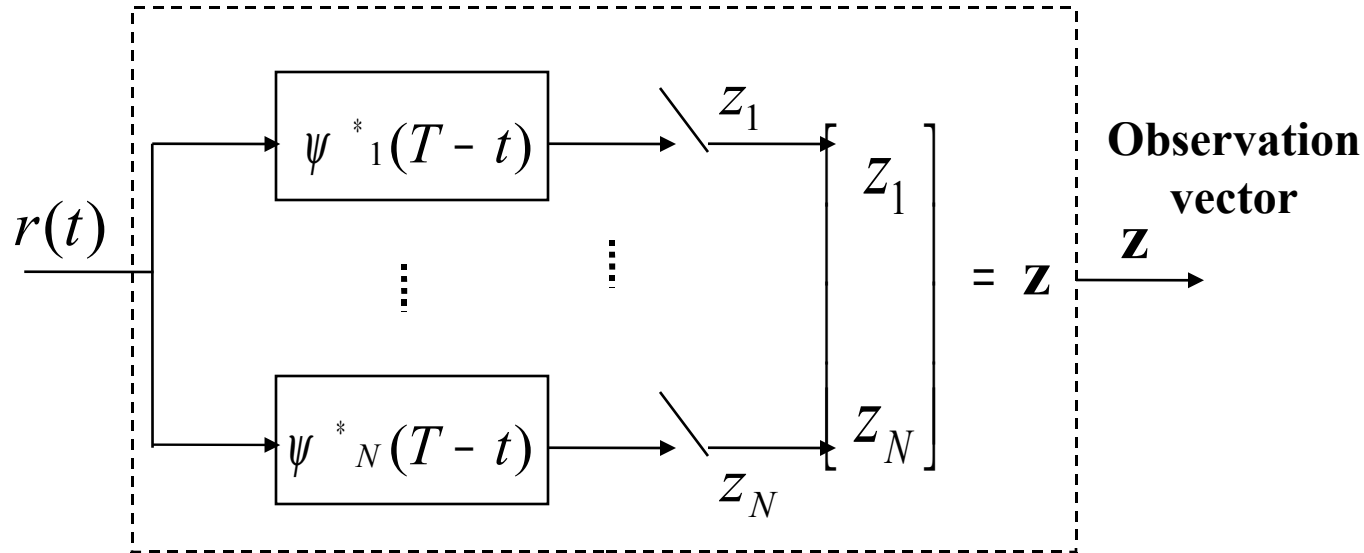
$$\textcircled{2} \langle s_2(t), \psi_1(t) \rangle = \int_0^T s_2(t) \psi_1(t) dt = -A$$

$$d_2(t) = s_2(t) - (-A)\psi_1(t) = 0$$



Implementation of the matched filter receiver

Bank of N matched filters



$$s_i(t) = \sum_{j=1}^N a_{ij} \psi_j(t) \quad i = 1, \dots, M$$

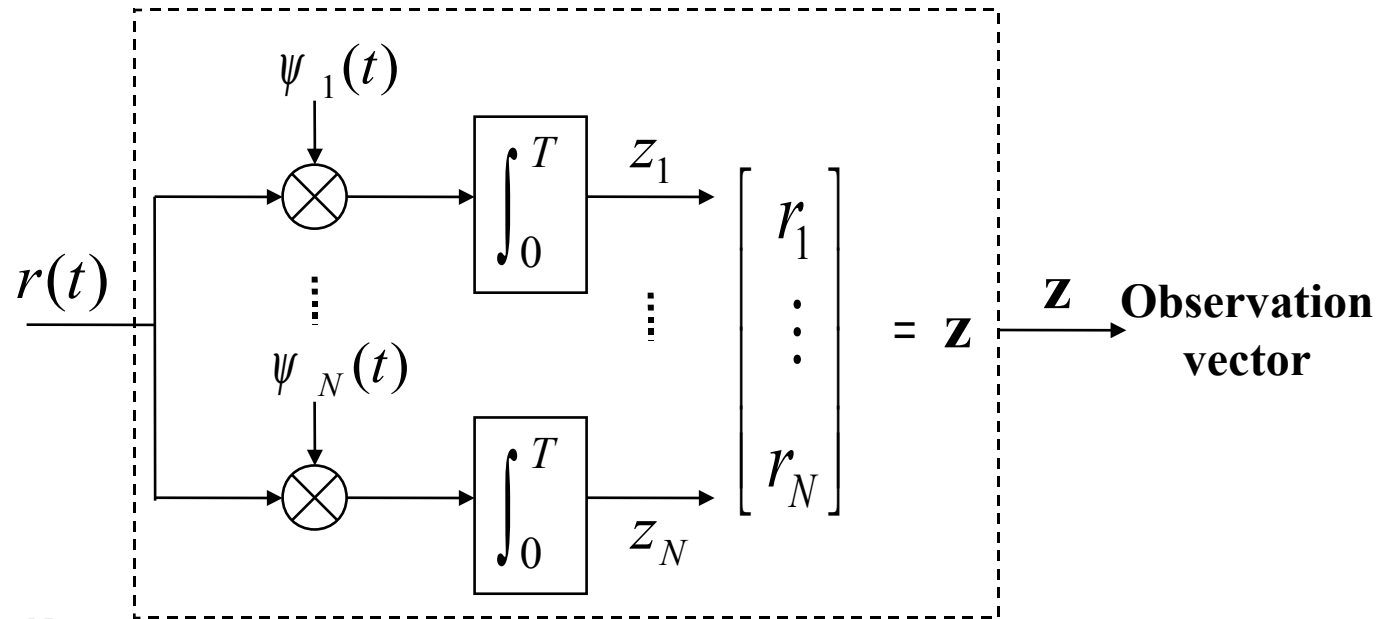
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$$N \leq M$$

Implementation of the correlator receiver

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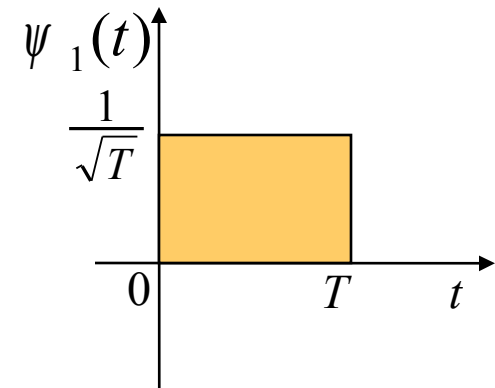
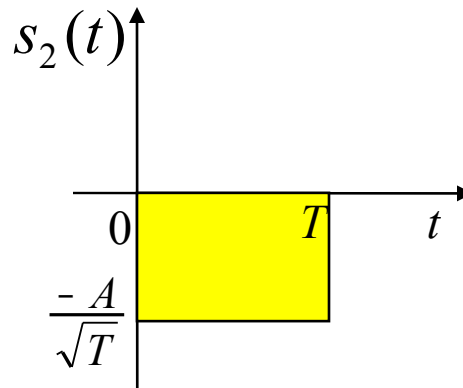
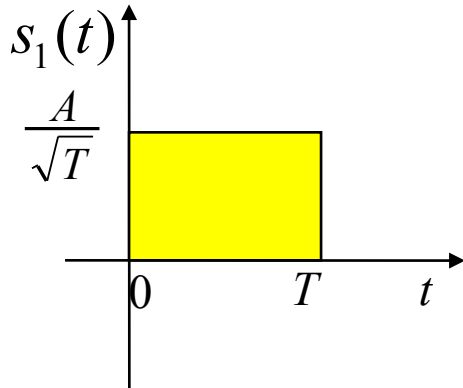
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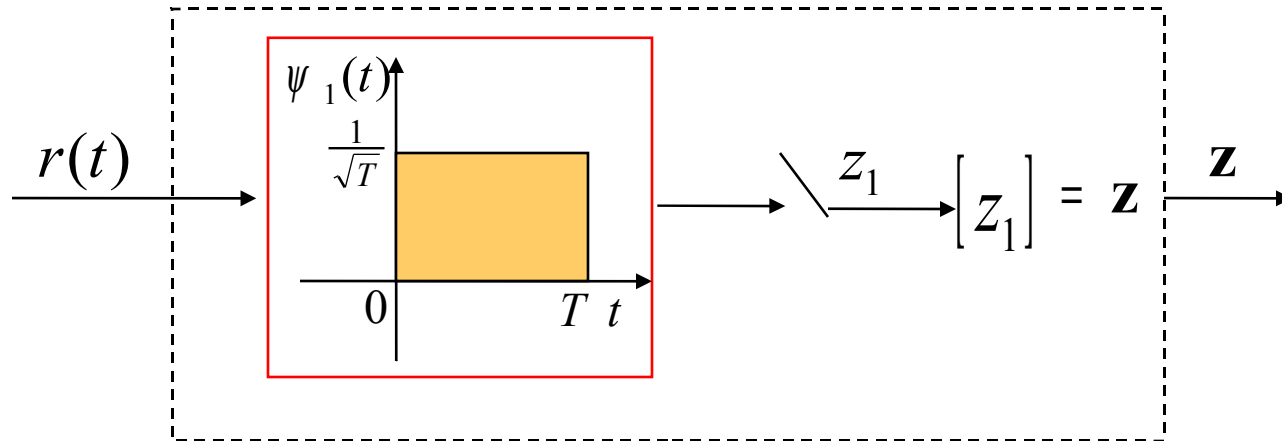
$$z_j = \int_0^T r(t) \psi_j(t) dt \quad j = 1, \dots, N$$

$$N \leq M$$

Example of matched filter receivers using basic functions



1 matched filter



- Number of matched filters (or correlators) is reduced by 1 compared to using matched filters (correlators) to the transmitted signal.

White noise in the orthonormal signal space

- AWGN, $n(t)$, can be expressed as

$$n(t) = \underbrace{\hat{n}(t)} + \underbrace{\tilde{n}(t)}$$

**Noise projected on the signal space
which impacts the detection process.**

Noise outside on the signal space

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \hat{n}(t) = \sum_{j=1}^N n_j \psi_j(t) \\ n_j = \langle n(t), \psi_j(t) \rangle \quad j = 1, \dots, N \\ \langle \tilde{n}(t), \psi_j(t) \rangle = 0 \quad j = 1, \dots, N \end{array} \right.$$



Vector representation of $\hat{n}(t)$

$$\mathbf{n} = (n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N)$$

$\{n_j\}_{j=1}^N$ independent zero-mean
Gaussian random variables with
variance $\text{var}(n_j) = N_0 / 2$