

Due Monday in class. There is a grace period until Tuesday 9 AM.

1. Suppose a high-rate 2-dimensional transform code is to be designed for a Gaussian random vector

$$\underline{X} = (X_1, X_2) \text{ with zero means and covariance matrix } K = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \rho \\ \rho & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{using an orthogonal transform of the form } T = \begin{bmatrix} a & \sqrt{1-a^2} \\ \sqrt{1-a^2} & -a \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) Find the covariance matrix of  $\underline{U} = T\underline{X}$ .
- (b) Find the value of  $a$  that optimizes this transform for use with high-rate transform coding and either fixed-length for variable-length coding.
- (c) With the optimized value of  $a$  found in (b), with scalar quantizers optimized for the resulting transform, and for some large rate  $R$ , find the gain of this system in dB over direct scalar quantization of  $\underline{X}$  with the same rate. (Assume that either the transform code and scalar quantizer both use fixed-length coding, or both use variable-length coding.)
2. This problem is concerned with designing fixed-rate transform coders with a different criteria, instead of designing for minimum MSE.

Assume the source is stationary and Gaussian with zero mean. Consider  $k$ -dimensional transform coding based on an orthogonal transform  $T$ . Let  $\sigma_1^2 > \dots > \sigma_k^2$  be the variance of the transform coefficients. Assume that a large target rate  $R$  is specified and that fixed-length coding is used.

- (a) Choose  $R_1, \dots, R_k$  such that  $\frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k R_i = R$  and  $\sigma_i^2/D_i$  is the same for all  $i$  and the overall MSE  $D$  is as small as possible subject to these constraints. Find the value of  $D$ .

(Note: This criteria demands that each coefficient be quantized with the same SNR. It might be appropriate when permissible quantization noise is proportional to coefficient variance. For example, if  $T$  is a discrete Fourier transform then our ability to tolerate noise in a Fourier coefficient is roughly proportional to the variance of the coefficient. So this criteria leads to a perceptually designed transform code, rather than a transform code designed to have minimum MSE.)

- (b) Compare  $D$  to the MSE of optimum scalar quantization with rate  $D$ .
3. Assume  $R$  is large. A  $k$ -dimensional transform code is optimized for rate  $R$ , variable-length coding, and a zero-mean, stationary Gaussian source with covariance matrix  $K$ . (As usual, the variable-length coding of each coefficient is first order.) In this problem we wish to show that its point density is the same as that for optimal  $k$ -dimensional vector quantization designed for first-order variable-length coding.

- (a) Show that the point density of optimal  $k$ -dimensional vector quantization designed for first-order variable-length coding is

$$\Lambda^*(\underline{x}) = \frac{2^{kR}}{(2\pi e)^{k/2} |K|^{1/2}}$$

- (b) Show that when the transform and the bit allocation are optimized, the point density for the  $i$ th scalar quantizer of the transform code is

$$\Lambda_i(u) = 2^R \frac{\sigma_i}{(2\pi e)^{1/2} |K|^{1/k}} \quad \text{where } \sigma_i^2 \text{ is the variance of the } i\text{th transform coefficient.}$$

- (c) Find an expression for the point density  $\Lambda_{pr}(\underline{u})$  of the product quantizer made up of the  $k$  scalar quantizers.
- (d) Find an expression for the point density  $\Lambda_{tr}(\underline{x})$  of the transform code, and show that it is the same as point density in part (a). Hint: Problem 8 of Homework 6 might be useful.
- (e) Find the inertial profile of the transform code.