

**EE 163**  
**Communication Theory I**

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**Communication System Analysis Project**  
**Part 2:  $M$ -ary Phase Shift Keying**

We will continue our investigation of phase shift keying systems by simulating an MPSK system, assuming the use of Gray coding, for  $M = 2, 4, 8, 16$ . Error probability range of interest is from  $1 - \sim 10^{-5}$ , corresponding to SNR from 0 –  $\sim 20$  dB.

- Compute and plot the simulated and theoretical *symbol* error rate curves for these four systems in a single graph.
- Produce another similar graph for the probability of *bit* error. For the theoretical plots use the approximation given in Eq. 5.2-62 of your text. For what range of signal-to-noise ratios does the approximation hold well, and where does it fail? Why?
- Write your simulator in such a way so that you obtain the probability of a bit error and the probability of a symbol error at the same time and in one run, rather than in two separate runs.
- You may do this programming assignment by yourself, or in groups of 2. You can use either Matlab, or C/C++.
- Each individual or group should hand in a 1-2 page report that presents and discusses the results found. Please hand in (email) your source code as well, in one compressed file (zip or tar).