

# ECE 537 Practice Exam 1

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The real exam will be September 28, 2022 in class

- This is a closed-book exam.
- You are allowed to bring one 8.5x11 sheet of handwritten notes (front and back).
- No calculators are allowed. Please do not simplify explicit numerical expressions.
- There are 100 points in the exam. Points for each problem are specified by the problem number.

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# Possibly Useful Charts and Formulas

$$G(1000, L) = \sum_{k=1}^n b_k G(1000, L_k)$$

$$b_k = \left[ \frac{250 + \Delta f}{1000} \right] Q(L_k)$$

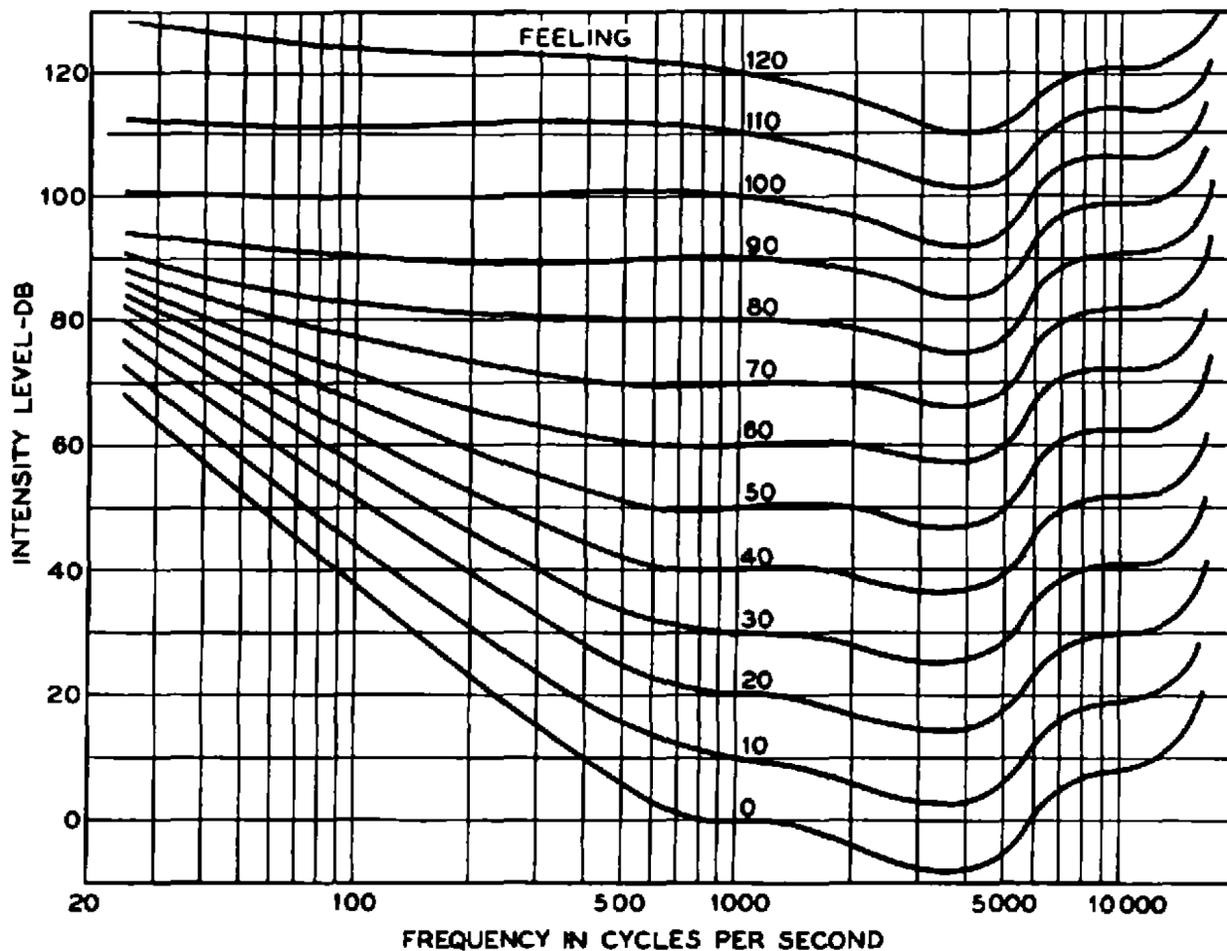
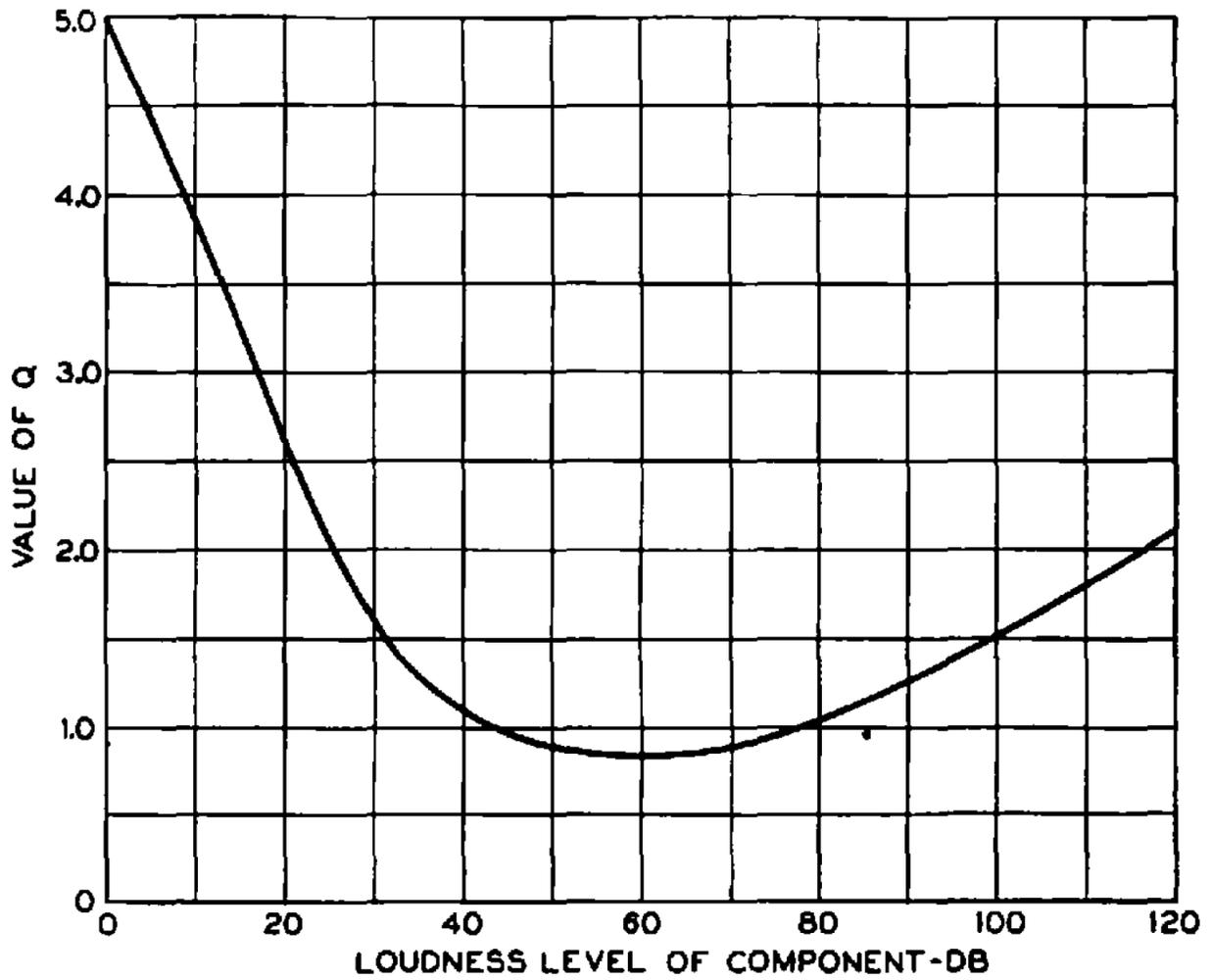


TABLE III  
VALUES OF  $G(L_k)$ .

| $L$ | 0      | 1      | 2      | 3      | 4      | 5      | 6      | 7       | 8       | 9       |
|-----|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
| -10 | 0.015  | 0.025  | 0.04   | 0.06   | 0.09   | 0.14   | 0.22   | 0.32    | 0.45    | 0.70    |
| 0   | 1.00   | 1.40   | 1.90   | 2.51   | 3.40   | 4.43   | 5.70   | 7.08    | 9.00    | 11.2    |
| 10  | 13.9   | 17.2   | 21.4   | 26.6   | 32.6   | 39.3   | 47.5   | 57.5    | 69.5    | 82.5    |
| 20  | 97.5   | 113    | 131    | 151    | 173    | 197    | 222    | 252     | 287     | 324     |
| 30  | 360    | 405    | 455    | 505    | 555    | 615    | 675    | 740     | 810     | 890     |
| 40  | 975    | 1060   | 1155   | 1250   | 1360   | 1500   | 1640   | 1780    | 1920    | 2070    |
| 50  | 2200   | 2350   | 2510   | 2680   | 2880   | 3080   | 3310   | 3560    | 3820    | 4070    |
| 60  | 4350   | 4640   | 4950   | 5250   | 5560   | 5870   | 6240   | 6620    | 7020    | 7440    |
| 70  | 7950   | 8510   | 9130   | 9850   | 10600  | 11400  | 12400  | 13500   | 14600   | 15800   |
| 80  | 17100  | 18400  | 19800  | 21400  | 23100  | 25000  | 27200  | 29600   | 32200   | 35000   |
| 90  | 38000  | 41500  | 45000  | 49000  | 53000  | 57000  | 62000  | 67500   | 74000   | 81000   |
| 100 | 88000  | 97000  | 106000 | 116000 | 126000 | 138000 | 150000 | 164000  | 180000  | 197000  |
| 110 | 215000 | 235000 | 260000 | 288000 | 316000 | 346000 | 380000 | 418000  | 460000  | 506000  |
| 120 | 556000 | 609000 | 668000 | 732000 | 800000 | 875000 | 956000 | 1047000 | 1150000 | 1266000 |

Possibly Useful Charts and Formulas (cont'd)





2. (20 points) Consider a discrete-time signal,  $x[n]$ , representing a vowel with a fundamental frequency of  $F_0 = 220\text{Hz}$ , sampled at  $F_s = 8000\text{samples/second}$ . Suppose that this particular vowel only has eight nonzero harmonics. The levels of those eight harmonics are 50, 80, 80, 70, 60, 60, 50, and 80 decibels relative to a reference amplitude of  $|x[n]| = 1$  (one least-significant-bit, if the sample values are integers). Suppose you want to reconstruct this vowel using a Dudley vocoder, with an impulse-train excitation. The spectrum is shaped by a set of sub-band amplitudes  $A_\ell$ , where the  $\ell^{\text{th}}$  frequency band spans the frequencies  $300(\ell - 1) \leq f < 300\ell$ . Find  $\{A_1, \dots, A_{10}\}$ .

3. (20 points) Suppose that a correlogram is computed using ideal bandpass filters with bandwidths  $B(f)$  given by the following equation, where  $B(f)$  and  $f$  are both in Hertz:

$$B(f) = \begin{cases} 100 & 0 \leq f \leq 1000 \\ 200 & 1000 < f \leq 2000 \\ 300 & 2000 < f \leq 3000 \\ 400 & 3000 < f \leq 4000 \end{cases}$$

Imagine a signal,  $x[n] = s[n] + v[n]$ , sampled at a sampling rate of  $F_s = 10,000$  samples/second.  $s[n]$  is a pure tone at 999Hz with a peak amplitude of  $10^3$ , and  $v[n]$  is a zero-mean noise signal with the following spectrum

$$E[|V(\omega)|^2] = \begin{cases} 0 & |\omega| < \frac{2\pi 500}{F_s} \\ 10^5 & \frac{2\pi 500}{F_s} \leq |\omega| \end{cases}$$

Write the correlogram  $\phi(f, \tau)$  of this signal at the frequencies  $f = 700\text{Hz}$ ,  $f = 990\text{Hz}$ ,  $f = 1020\text{Hz}$ , and  $f = 2400\text{Hz}$ .

4. A particular speaker produces the /ŋ/ consonant with formant frequencies of 400, 1100, 1900, and 2600Hz. Suppose that, during /ŋ/, the mouth cavity of this speaker is a uniform tube of length 5cm. Let  $B_i(s)$  be the internal susceptance (the susceptance of nose and pharynx, as viewed from the velum), and let  $B_m(s)$  be the susceptance of the mouth as viewed from the velum.
- (a) (6 points) On the same axes, draw a solid curve representing the imaginary part of  $B_i(j2\pi f)$  as a function of  $f$ , and a dashed curve representing the imaginary part of  $B_m(j2\pi f)$  as a function of  $f$ , where  $f$  is in Hertz, over the range  $0 \leq f \leq 3000$ .
- (b) (6 points) What are the frequencies (in Hertz) of the zero crossings of  $B_i(j2\pi f)$ , in the range  $0 \leq f \leq 3000$ ? Include  $f = 0$  if  $B_i(0) = 0$ .
- (c) (6 points) What are the frequencies (in Hertz) of the zero crossings of  $-B_m(j2\pi f)$ , in the range  $0 \leq f \leq 3000$ ? Include  $f = 0$  if  $B_m(0) = 0$ .

(d) (6 points) What is the frequency of the antiformant of /n/ for this speaker?

(e) (6 points) Specify upper and lower bounds for the frequencies of the first five formants of /n/ for this speaker.