

Definition 11.9 An (n, M) code for a continuous memoryless channel with input constraint (κ, P) is defined by an **encoding function**

$$e : \{1, 2, \dots, M\} \rightarrow \Re^n$$

and a **decoding function**

$$g : \Re^n \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, M\}.$$

Moreover,

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \kappa(x_i(w)) \leq P \quad \text{for } 1 \leq w \leq M,$$

i.e., each codeword satisfies the input constraint.