

Overview of the Communication System:

message signal \rightarrow sampling \rightarrow quantization \rightarrow modulation \rightarrow simple channel
 \rightarrow demodulation \rightarrow D/A converter \rightarrow reconstruction

Sampling

- **Mathematical Representation:**

$$s(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - nT), x_s(t) = x(t)s(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(nT)\delta(t - nT), x(t) : \text{message signal}$$

$$\text{spectrum} : X_s(j\Omega) = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} X(j(\Omega - \frac{2\pi k}{T}))$$

We can tell that **the spectrum of the sampled signal** is summation of an infinite number of replicas of the given spectrum shifted by integer multiples of

$$\frac{2\pi}{T}$$

- **Nyquist Frequency**

For a band-limited signal,

$$x(t) \xleftrightarrow{F} X(j\Omega) \\ \exists \Omega_m > 0, X(j\Omega) = 0, \forall |\Omega| > \Omega_m$$

to acquire a loss-free transmission communication system, we must have

$$\Omega_s \geq \Omega_N = 2\Omega_m \\ \Omega_s : \text{sampling rate}, \Omega_N : \text{Nyquist frequency}$$

Pulse Code Modulation(PCM)

- **Process of Pulse Modulation:**

- Sampling: continuous-time signal \rightarrow discrete-time sequence
- Pulse modulation:
 1. Tx: convert the sequence into a modulated pulse train
 2. Rx: reconstruct the signal by tracking certain parameter of the pulse train.

- **Benefit of Pulse Modulation:**

Enables time division multiplexing(TDM)

- **Three Steps:**

1. Sampling
2. Quantization: Round off the sample values to the closest level
3. Coding: Index the finite number of levels and use bit streams to represent indices of samples

- **Uniform Quantization:**

- Assume the message signal is between

$$m(t) \in [-m_p, m_p]$$

Divide the message signal into L intervals, each of width

$$\frac{2m_p}{L}$$

And each sample is approximated using the mid-point of the interval where it falls.

$$SNR = \frac{P_m}{P_q} = \frac{12P_m}{\Delta^2}, \Delta = \frac{2m_p}{L}$$

$$\text{Quantization Noise : } N_q(P_q) = \frac{\Delta^2}{12}$$

- **Nonuniform Quantization:**

- **Motivation:**

We want to increase SNR as much as possible for the quantization communication system. Given that

$$\text{Quantization Noise : } N_q(P_q) = \frac{\Delta^2}{12}, \Delta = \frac{2m_p}{L}$$

the quantization noise is proportional to the square of the step size. So that using **smaller steps (larger L)** for smaller amplitudes, called **nonuniform quantization**, gives a better way of compressing noise.

The compressor maps input signal increments

$$\Delta m$$

into larger increment

$$\Delta y$$

for small input signals and vice versa for large input signals. Hence, a given interval contains a larger number of steps when m is small.

- **Two Compression Laws:**

- **A-law:**

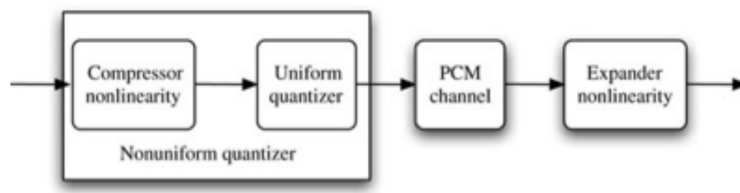
$$y = \begin{cases} \frac{A}{1+\ln A} \frac{m}{m_p} & 0 \leq \frac{m}{m_p} \leq \frac{1}{A} \\ \frac{1}{1+\ln A} \left(1 + \ln \frac{Am}{m_p}\right) & \frac{1}{A} \leq \frac{m}{m_p} \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

- **u-law:**

$$y = \frac{1}{\ln(1+\mu)} \ln \left(1 + \frac{\mu m}{m_p}\right) \quad 0 \leq \frac{m}{m_p} \leq 1$$

- **Diagrams:**

Can be interpreted as uniform quantization on a compressed (transformed) signal



- **Transmission Bandwidth of PCM:**

For a binary PCM, we assign n binary bits to each of the L quantization levels.

$$L = 2^n \quad \text{or} \quad n = \lceil \log_2 L \rceil$$

The message signal band-limited to B Hz requires a minimum of $2B$ samples per second due to the sampling theorem, thus we require a total of $2nB$ bit/s, or, $2nB$ pieces of information per second.

Because a unit bandwidth can transmit a maximum of two pieces of information per second, so that a minimum channel of bandwidth is

$$B_T = nB \quad \text{Hz}$$

In summary

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \times \text{message bandwidth} &= 2B \leq \text{samples per second} \\ n \times (\text{samples per second}) &\leq 2 \times (\text{minimum channel bandwidth}) \\ \Rightarrow 2nB &\leq 2B_T \Rightarrow B_T \geq nB \end{aligned}$$

Delta Modulation

- **Motivation:**

1. To save channel bandwidth, we want to use as small number of bits as possible to represent a quantized sample.
2. It's difficult to implement high speed A/D converter with many levels.
3. If message signal vary slowly in time: represent the difference between the amplitudes of successive samples.

Differential PCM(DPCM)

Consider a message signal which has derivatives of all orders at t . Then we can use the Taylor series for this signal

$$\begin{aligned} m(t + T_s) &= m(t) + T_s \dot{m}(t) + \frac{T_s^2}{2!} m^{(2)}(t) + \dots \approx m(t) + T_s \dot{m}(t) \\ &\text{for } T_s \text{ small} \end{aligned}$$

We can predict a future signal value at $t+T_s$ using signal at t .

Next, we denote the k th sample of $m(t)$ by $m[k]$

$$\begin{aligned} m(kT_s) &= m[k], m(kT_s \pm T_s) = m[k \pm 1] \\ \text{setting } t &= kT_s \quad \text{and} \quad \dot{m}(kT_s) \approx \frac{m(kT_s) - m(kT_s - T_s)}{T_s} \\ \Rightarrow m[k+1] &\approx m[k] + T_s \left(\frac{m[k] - m[k-1]}{T_s} \right) = 2m[k] - m[k-1] \end{aligned}$$

The equations above show that we can approximate the $(k+1)$ th sample using the two previous samples [k th and $(k-1)$ th]. Therefore we can do better approximation using more previous samples, as is shown in the following:

$$\begin{aligned} m[k] &\approx a_1 m[k-1] + a_2 m[k-2] + \dots + a_N m[k-N] \\ \hat{m}[k] &= a_1 m[k-1] + a_2 m[k-2] + \dots + a_N m[k-N], \quad \text{predicted value} \\ d[k] &= m[k] - \hat{m}[k], \quad \text{the difference} \end{aligned}$$

In DPCM, we transmit not the present sample $m[k]$, but $d[k]$. At the receiver, instead of the past samples $m[k-1], m[k-2], \dots$, as well as $d[k]$, we have their quantized versions $m_q[k-1], m_q[k-2], \dots$ /