

# Messages and signals



## **Information (message) to be transmitted (issued by a source):**

- analog: e.g. speech, music, pictures -> infinite number of values
- digital (discrete): e.g. text -> finite number of values

## **Signals carrying this information:**

- analog signals: represent an analog message
- digital (discrete) signals: represent digital but also an analog source  
(Analog to Digital conversion)

## **Telecommunication systems:**

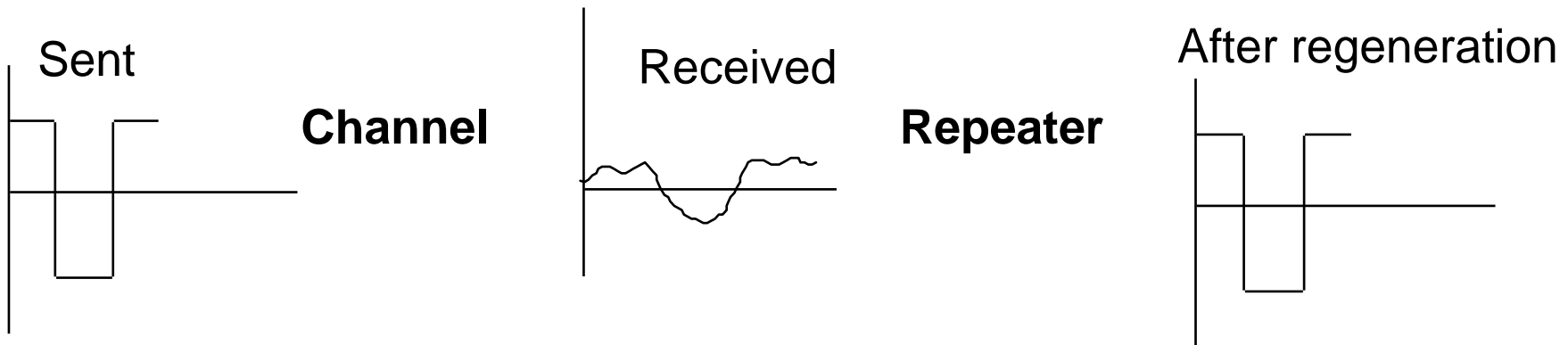
- analog, e.g. FM commercial broadcasting
- digital, e.g. GSM, LTE, DAB, DMB

# Analog and digital transmission

## Analog transmission



**Digital transmission** – better resistance to channel distortions:



# In history...



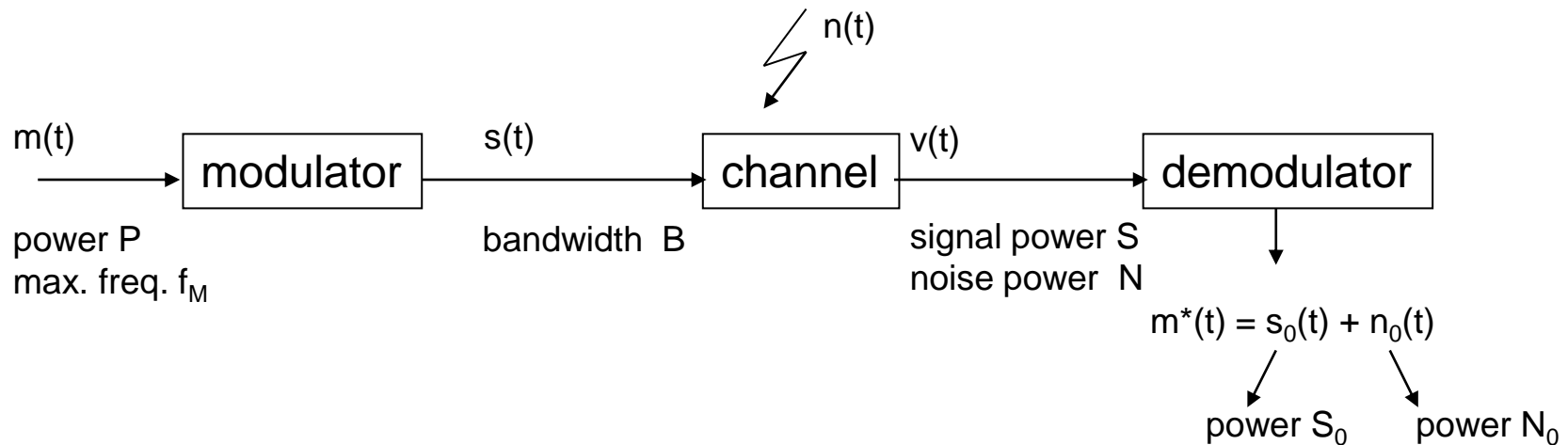
## Digital transmission

- Static electricity (A. de Betancourt ~1790)
- Optical telegraph (C. Chappe ~1800)
- Electrical telegraph (Gauss, Weber, Steinheil, Morse ~1830)
- Wireless telegraph (Hertz 1888, Popov, Marconi 1899)
- PCM, digital telephony (~1950-70)

## Analog transmission

- Telephone (Graham Bell 1876)
- Analog telephony (1890)
- AM/FM broadcast, terrestrial TV (1920)

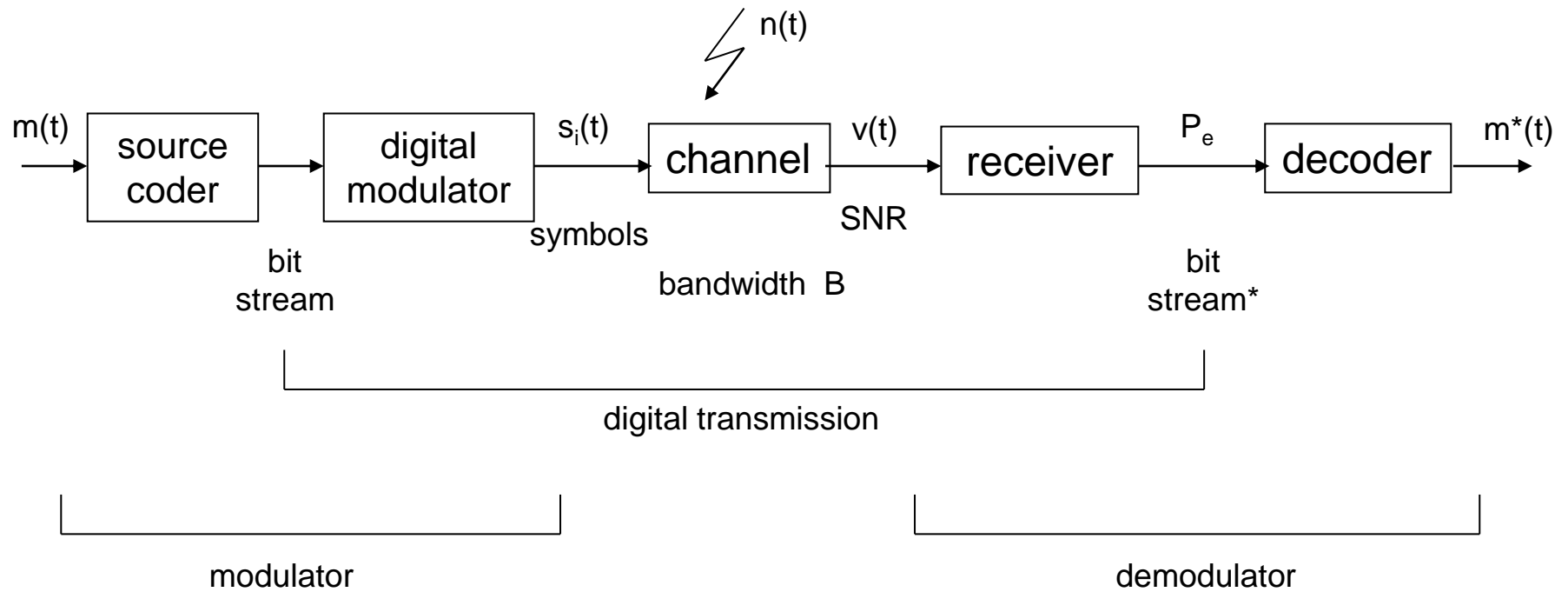
# Modulation, demodulation



## Signal to noise ratio

- output of the channel  $\text{SNR} = S/N$
- output of the receiver  $\text{SNR}_0 = S_0/N_0$

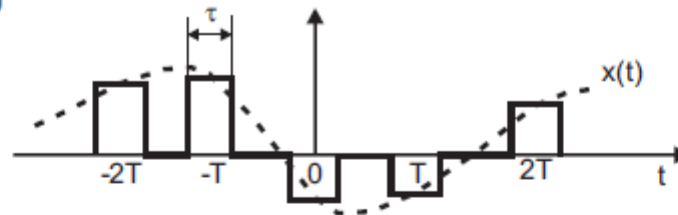
# Digital transmission



$P_e = \text{BER} = \text{probability of error}$

# Digital transmission of analog signals basic processes (1)

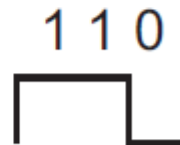
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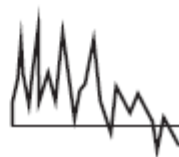
Quantizing



Modulation



Transmission



# Digital transmission of analog signals basic processes (2)

Reception 1 1 0

Reconstruction of the sample

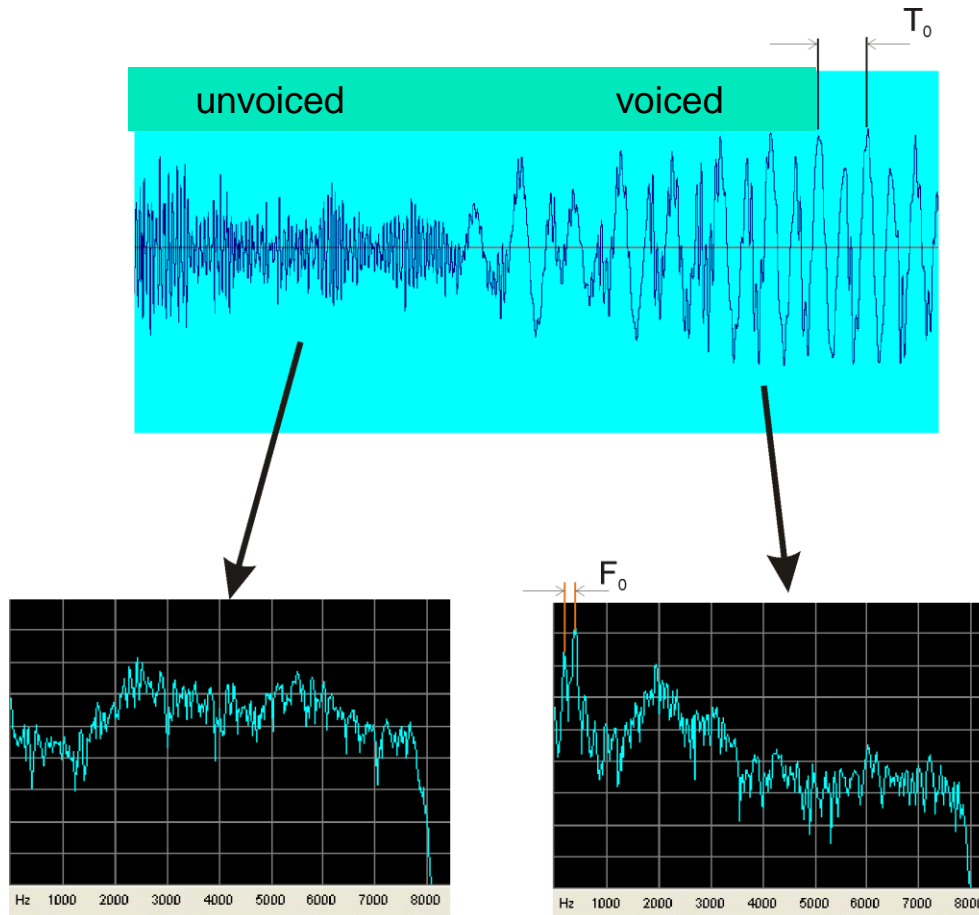


Reconstruction of continuous signal  $x^*(t)$

# Signals and their models:

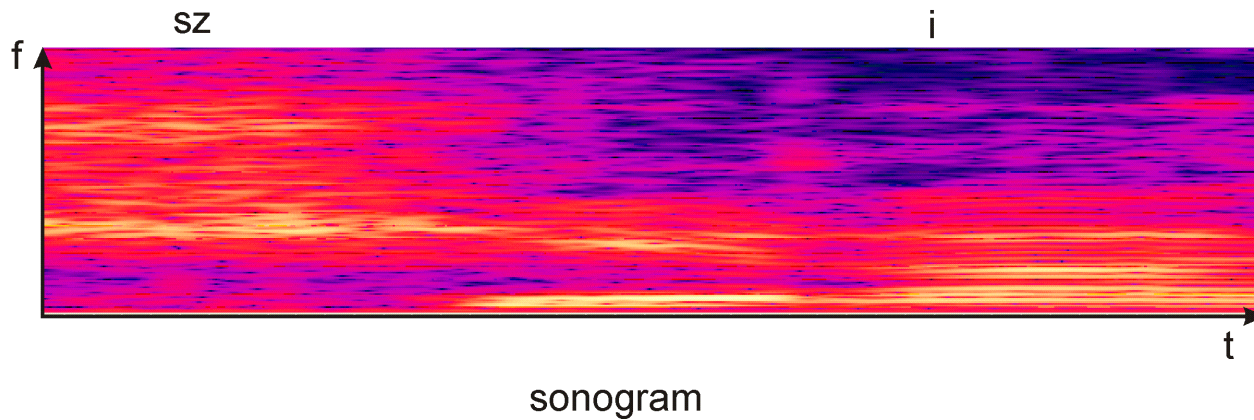
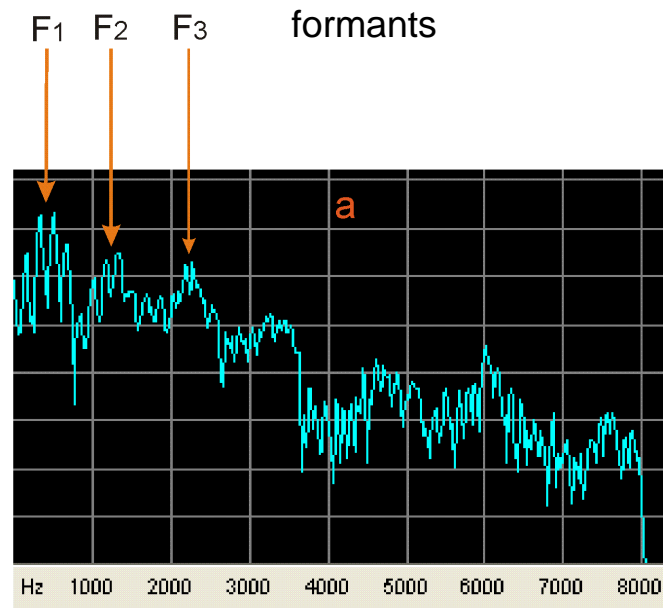
## 1. modulating signal $m(t)$

Example:  
speech signal

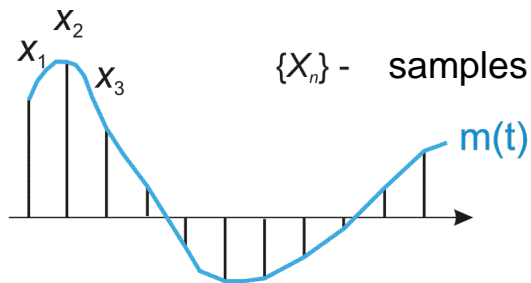




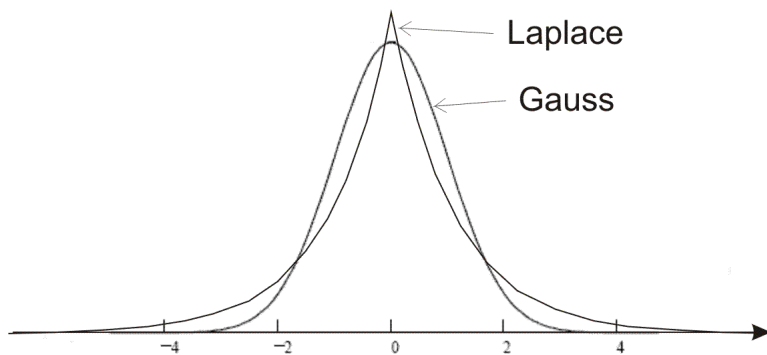
# Speech signal



# Models of the speech waveform $m(t)$



$p_m(x)$  - probability density function (pdf)



Gauss

$$p_m(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_m^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma_m^2}\right)$$

Laplace

$$p_m(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\sigma_m^2}} \exp\left(-\sqrt{2} \frac{|x|}{\sigma_m}\right)$$

$\sigma_m^2$  - variance

# Spectrum, power spectral density (psd)

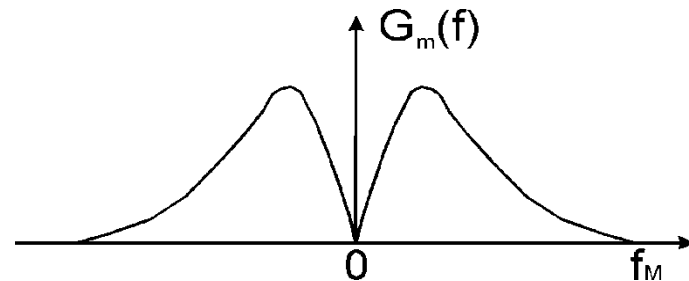
Spectrum (Fourier transform)  $M(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} m(t) e^{-j2\pi f t} dt$

Amplitude spectrum  $|M(f)|$

Energy spectrum  $|M(f)|^2$

Power spectrum (psd)  $\frac{1}{T} |M_T(f)|^2$ ,  $M_T(f) = \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} m(t) e^{-j2\pi f t} dt$ ,  $T \rightarrow \infty$

Psd  $G_m(f) = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} |M_T(f)|^2$

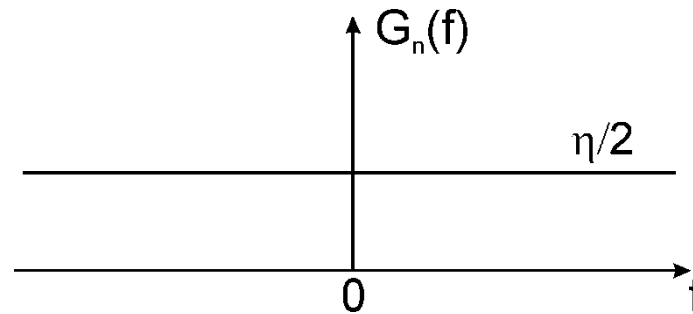


Power  $P = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G_m(f) df = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 p_m(x) dx = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} m^2(t) dt$

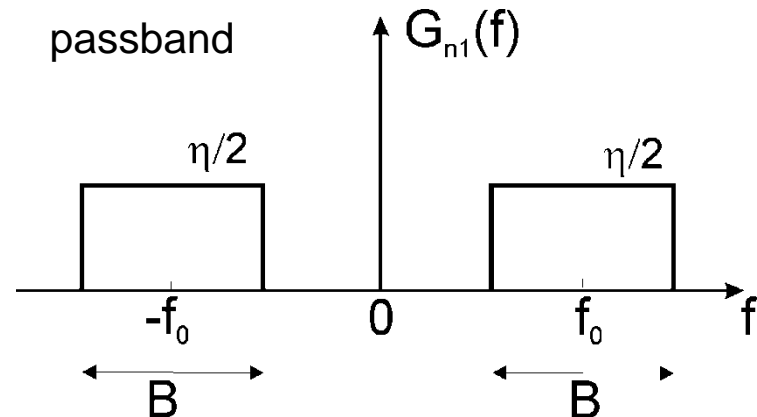
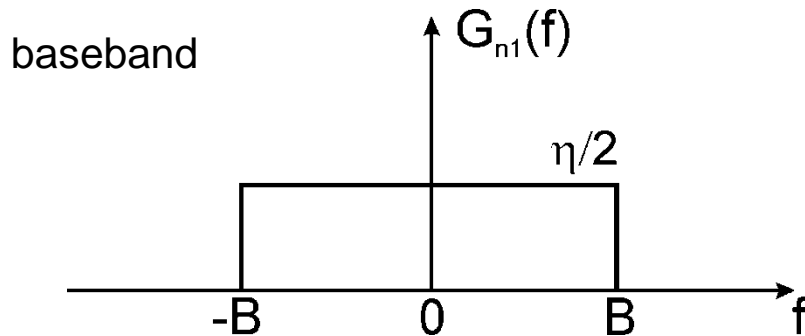
# Signals and their models:

## 2. noise $n(t)$

In the channel:  
white gaussian noise (AWGN)



in the output of the channel – noise  $n_1(t)$ , power  $N=\eta B$

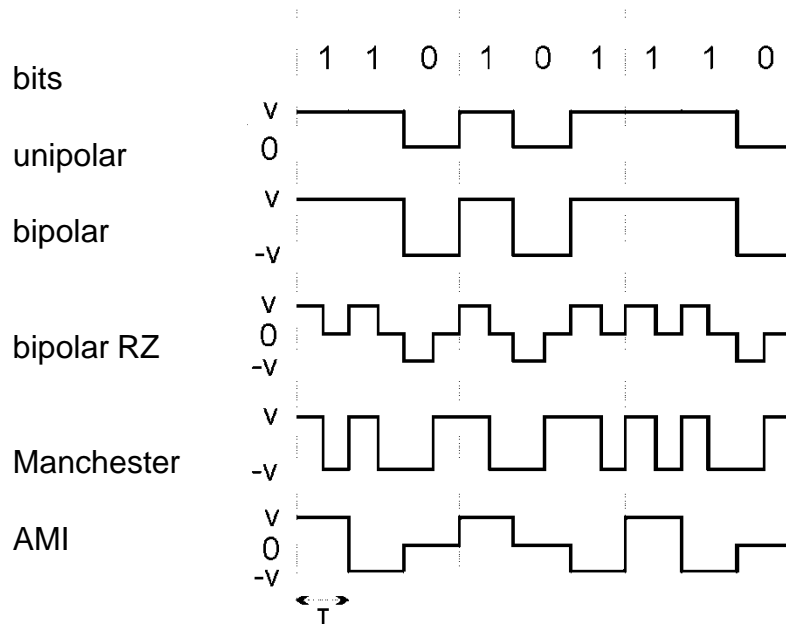


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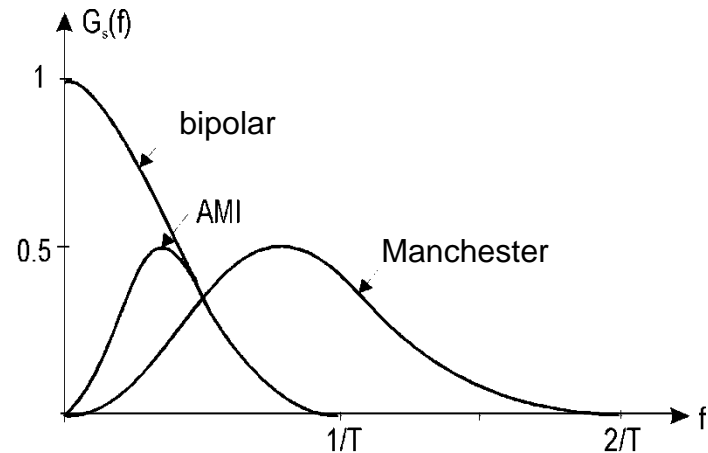
## 3. modulated signal $s(t)$

It depends on the modulation:  $s(t)$  may be a baseband, passband, analog or digital signal

Power:  $S$ , Bandwidth  $B$



e.g. baseband, digital signals



# Signals and their models:

## 4. the output signal $m^*(t)=s_0(t)+n_0(t)$

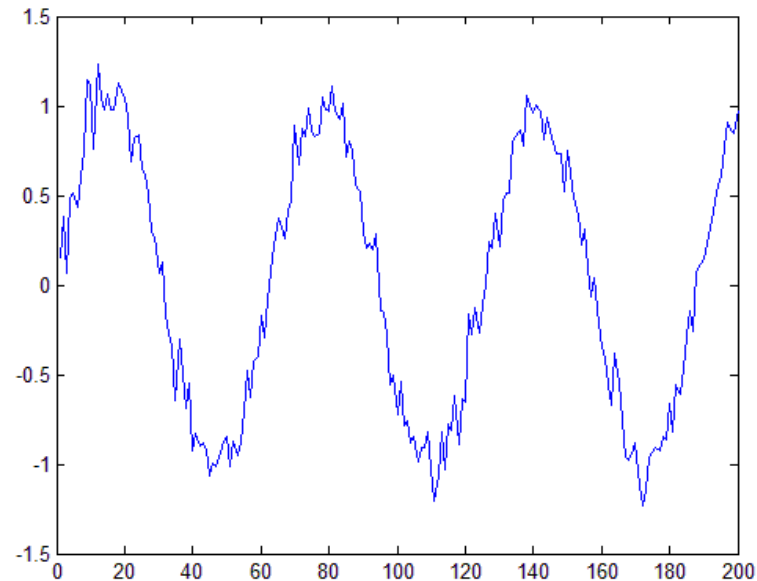
A (distorted) copy of the modulating signal

signal power:  $S_0$

noise power:  $N_0$

$$SNR_0 = \frac{S_0}{N_0} = \frac{\sigma_x^2}{\sigma_e^2}$$

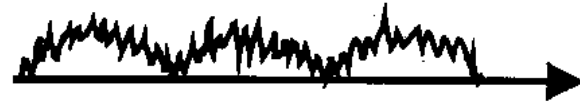
$$SNR_0 [dB] = 10 \log_{10} \left[ \frac{\sigma_x^2}{\sigma_e^2} \right]$$



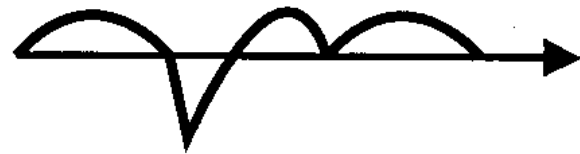
# Telecommunication channels

## DISTORTIONS:

additive noise



pulses



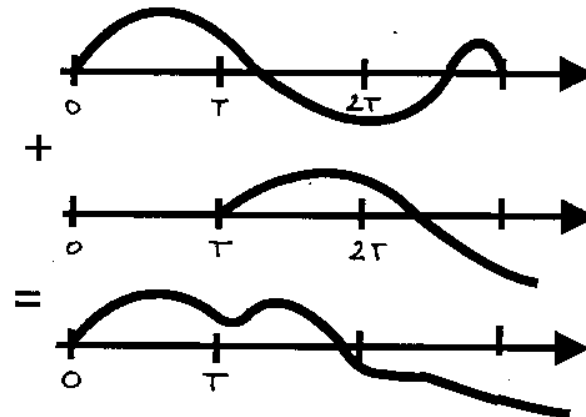
fading



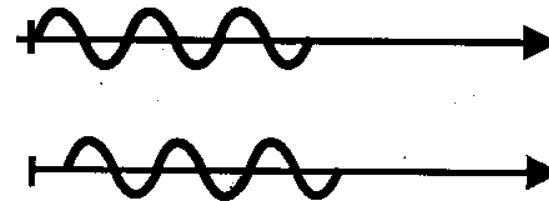
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DISTORTIONS:

intersymbol interference



phase errors

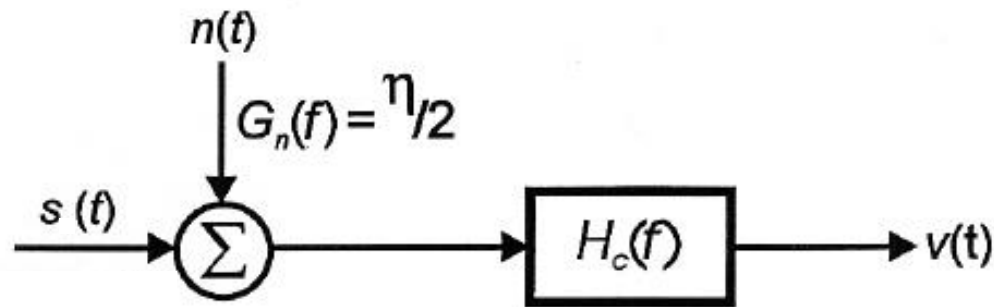


nonlinear distortions





# Simplified model of a channel

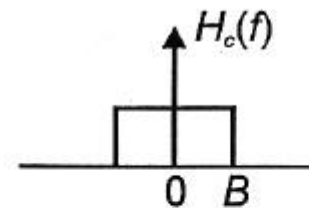


AWGN

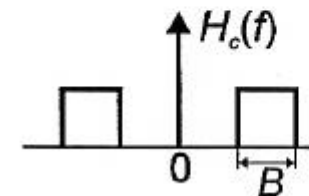
$$G_n(f) = \frac{\eta}{2} = \frac{N_0}{2}$$

$$f \in \langle -\infty, +\infty \rangle$$

Noise power at the output of the channel:  $N = \eta B$



lowpass



bandpass

# Why do we use modulations?

- Adaptation of the modulating signal (e.g. speech, music) to the transmission channel
- Sharing the same channel: (FDM – frequency division multiplexing, TDM – time division multiplexing)

