

Example 1

Q: Given the signal-to-noise ratio (SNR) of 20 dB, and the bandwidth of 4kHz (using phone line), what is the maximum data rate according to Shannon's theorem?

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Ans:

$$4 * \log_2(1 + 100) = 4 * \log_2(101) = 26.63 \text{ kbps.}$$

Note that the value of $S/N = 100$ is equivalent to the SNR of 20 dB

Example 2

Q: If a binary signal is sent over a 3-kHz channel whose signal-to-noise ratio is 20 dB, what is the maximum achievable data rate?

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Ans:

SNR of 20 dB <https://eduassistpro.github.io/>

The Shannon limit is: $3 \times \log_2(1 + 100) = 9.975$ kbps

The Nyquist limit is:

$$2B \log_2 V = 2 \times 3 \times \log_2 2 = 6 \text{ kbps.}$$

The bottleneck is therefore the Nyquist limit, giving a **maximum channel capacity of 6 kbps**