

Digital Transmission
Chapter 4



#### Recap Previous Lecture

Digital data

Analog data

Digital SignalAnalogSignal

Digital Signal



- Digital Data, Digital Signal
  - Less expensive and less complex than digital to analog modulation.
- Digital Data, Analog Signals
  - Some transmission media, such as optical fiber and unguided media, will only propagate analog signals.

## Digital Data Digital Signal

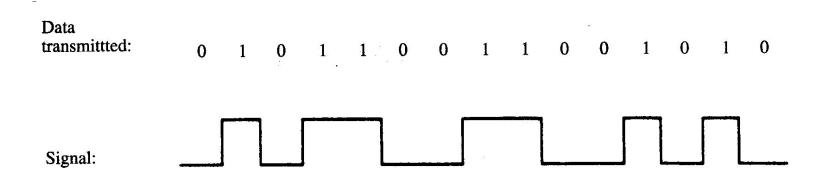
**Signal Encoding Techniques:** 

- Line Coding
  - Diffrent Line Coding Schemes
- Block Coding
- -Scrambling

Line coding is always needed; block coding and scrambling may or may not be needed.

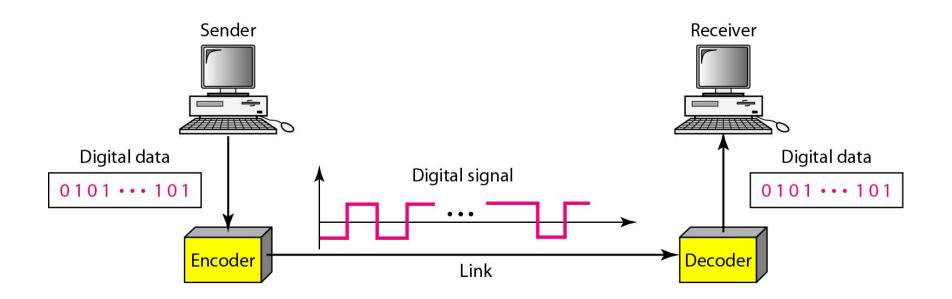


- Digital signal
  - Discrete, discontinuous voltage pulses
  - Each pulse is a signal element
  - Binary data encoded into signal elements

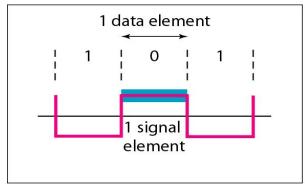


#### Line Coding

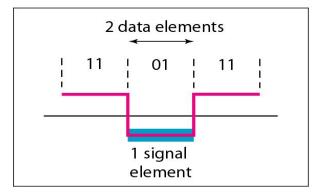
Line coding is the process of converting binary data, a sequence of bits, to a digital signal.



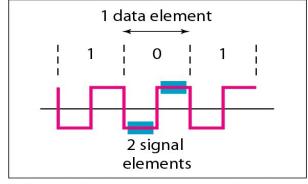
## Signal Vs Data Element



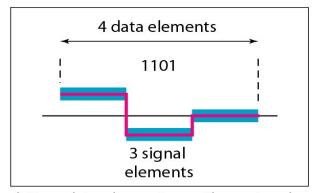
a. One data element per one signal element (r = 1)



c. Two data elements per one signal element (r = 2)



b. One data element per two signal elements  $\left(r = \frac{1}{2}\right)$ 



d. Four data elements per three signal elements  $\left(r = \frac{4}{3}\right)$ 

# Pulse /Modulation /Signal/ Baud Rate versus Bit Rate

- The pulse rate defines the number of pulses/signals sent in one second. Also known as Baud Rate.
- The bit rate defines the number of bits per second.

 $BitRate = PulseRate \times \log_2 L$ 

L = Number of data levels



- Receiver needs to know
  - Timing of bits
  - Signal levels
- Factors affecting successful interpretation of signals
  - Baseline Wandering
  - DC Components
  - Self-synchronization
  - Built in Error Detection
  - Immunity to Noise and Interference
  - Complexity



- Receiver calculates the running average of received signal power.
- Average = baseline
- A log strings of 0's and 1's can cause a drift in the baseline making it difficult for the receiver to decode properly.

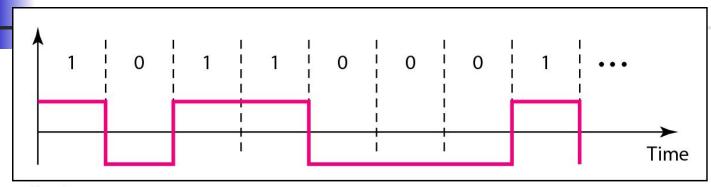


- When the voltage level in a digital signal is constant for a while, the spectrum creates very low frequencies (results of Fourier analysis).
- If the signal is to pass through a system (such as a transformer) that does not allow the passage of a dc component, the signal is distorted and may create errors in the output.
- This component is extra energy residing on the line and is useless.

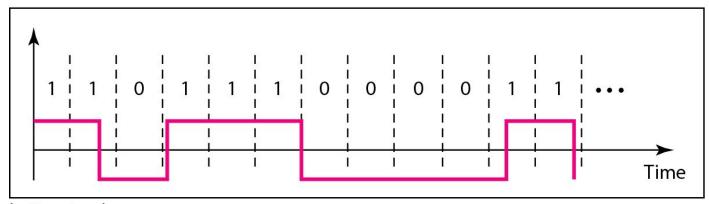
#### Self-Synchronization

- The receiver's bit intervals must correspond exactly to the senders bit intervals.
- If the receiver clock is faster or slower, the bit intervals are not matched and the receiver might misinterpret the signals.

#### Figure 4.3 Effect of lack of synchronization



a. Sent

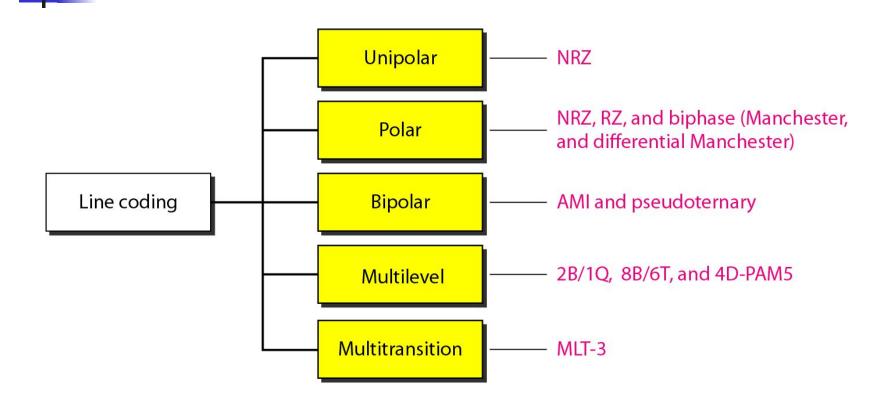


b. Received

#### **Self-Synchronization**

- A self-synchronizing digital signal includes timing information in the data being transmitted.
- This can be achieved if there are transitions in the signal that alert the receiver to the beginning, middle, or end of the pulse.
- If the receiver's clock is out of synchronization, these points can reset the clock.

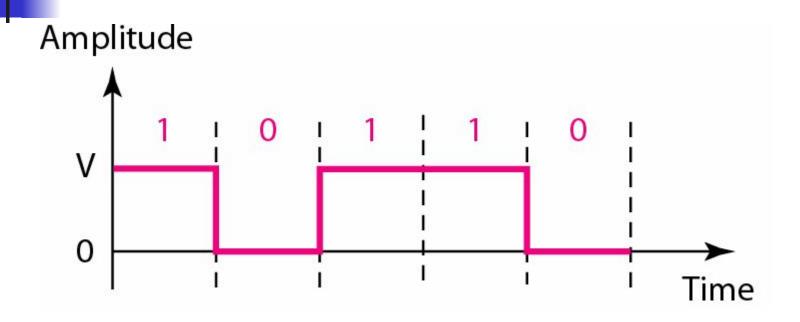
#### Different Line Encoding Schemes



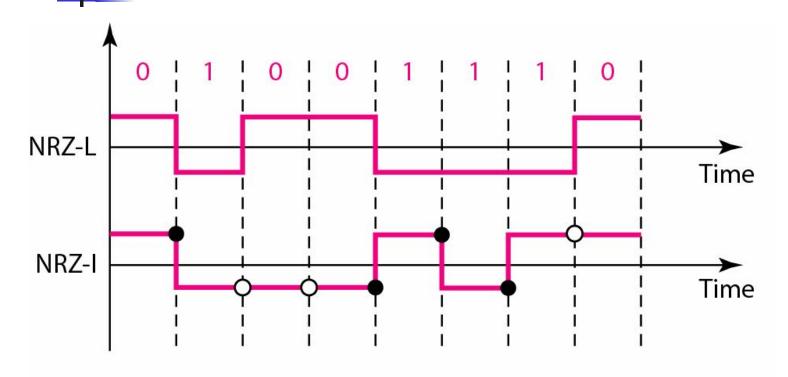
#### Table 4.1 Summary of line coding schemes

| Category   | Scheme  | Bandwidth<br>(average) | Characteristics                                      |
|------------|---------|------------------------|--|
| Unipolar   | NRZ     | B = N/2                | Costly, no self-synchronization if long 0s or 1s, DC |
| Unipolar   | NRZ-L   | B = N/2                | No self-synchronization if long 0s or 1s, DC         |
|            | NRZ-I   | B = N/2                | No self-synchronization for long 0s, DC              |
|            | Biphase | B = N                  | Self-synchronization, no DC, high bandwidth          |
| Bipolar    | AMI     | B = N/2                | No self-synchronization for long 0s, DC              |
| Multilevel | 2B1Q    | B = N/4                | No self-synchronization for long same double bits    |
|            | 8B6T    | B = 3N/4               | Self-synchronization, no DC                          |
|            | 4D-PAM5 | B = N/8                | Self-synchronization, no DC                          |
| Multiline  | MLT-3   | B = N/3                | No self-synchronization for long 0s                  |

## Unipolar



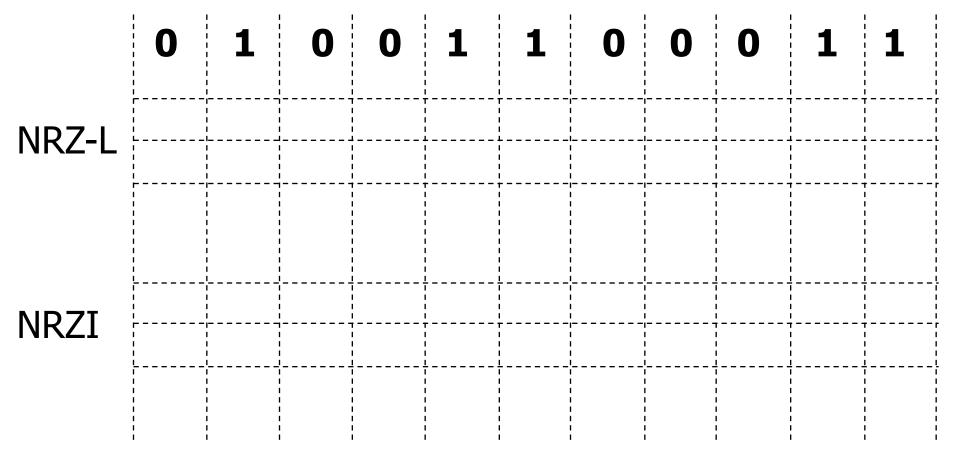
## NRZ-L & NRZ-I (Bipolar)



- O No inversion: Next bit is 0 Inversion: Next bit is 1



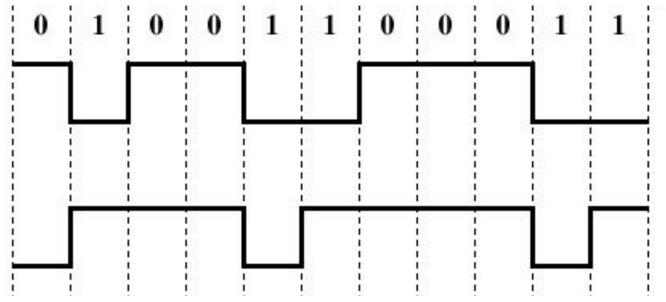
#### Nonreturn to Zero (NRZ)



## NRZ



NRZI





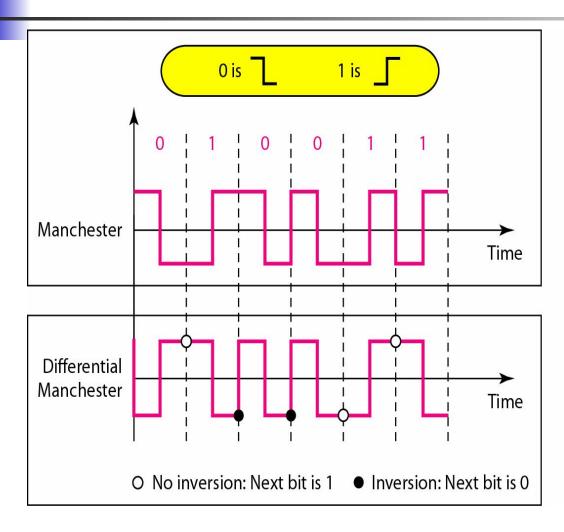
#### NRZ – Pros and Cons

- Pros
  - Easy to engineer
  - Make good use of bandwidth
- Cons
  - DC component
  - Lack of synchronization capability
- Used for magnetic recording
- Not often used for signal transmission



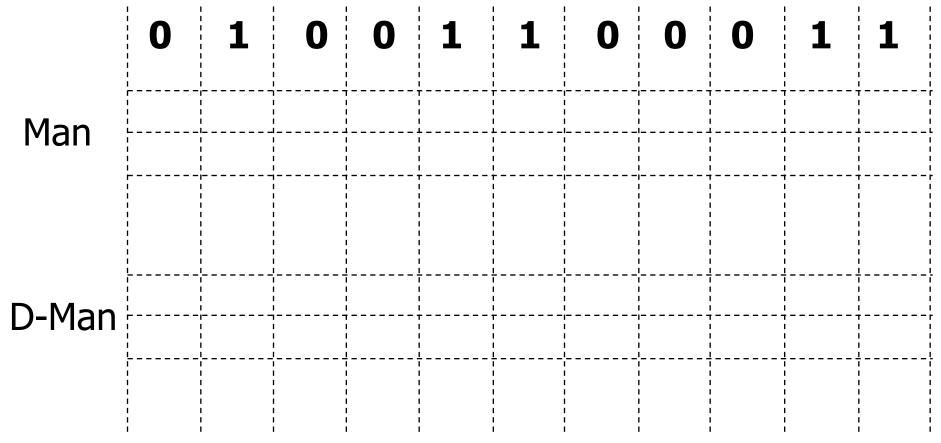
- In complex transmission layouts, it is easy to lose sense of polarity
- Therefore
  - Data represented by changes (i.e., transitions) rather than levels
  - More reliable detection of transition rather than level

# Manchester Encoding & Differential Manchester Encoding





#### Biphase (Manchester and D-Manchester)



#### Biphase -- Pros and Cons

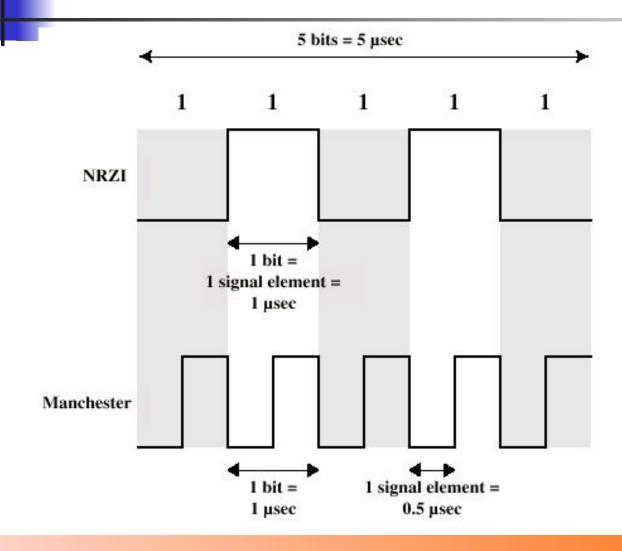
#### Pros

- Synchronization on mid bit transition (self clocking)
- No dc component
- Error detection
  - Absence of expected transition

#### Cons

- At least one transition per bit time and possibly two
- Maximum modulation rate is twice NRZ
- Requires more bandwidth

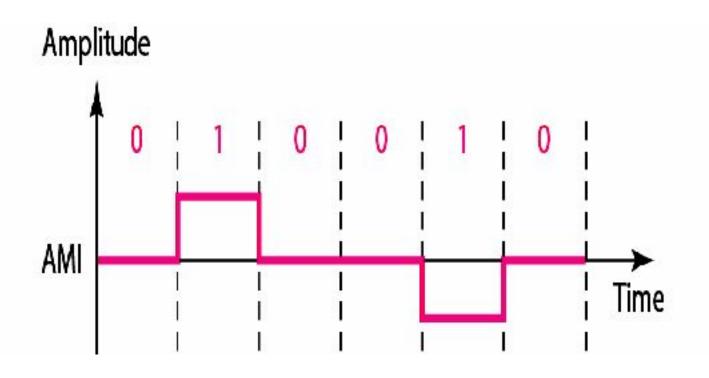
#### **Modulation Rate**



#### Multilevel Binary

- Use more than two levels
- Bipolar-AMI
  - zero represented by no line signal
  - one represented by positive or negative pulse
  - No loss of sync if a long string of ones (zeros still a problem)
  - Lower bandwidth

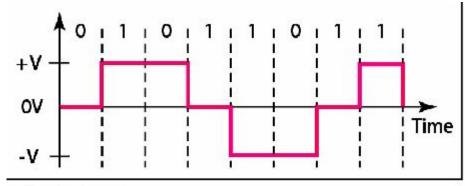
## Bipolar-AMI



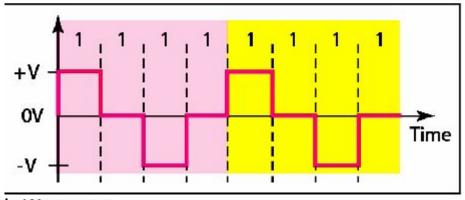
#### Multilevel Transition, three level- MLT-3,

- There is no transition at the beginning of a 0 bit.
- The signal transitions from one level to the next at the beginning of a 1 bit
- Transition occurs using three levels of signals (+1, 0, -1).

#### MLT-3



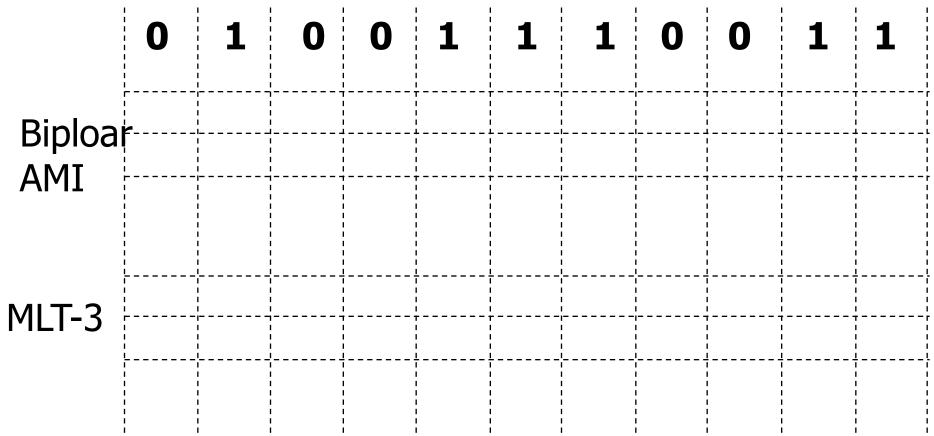
a. Typical case



b. Worse case



#### Biploar AMI and MLT-3 Example



# Block Coding

## Block Coding/Scrambling

- NRZ, Bipolar AMI, MLT-3 all has a common problem.
- Long sequence of 0 can make the receiver lose synchronization

#### Solutions:

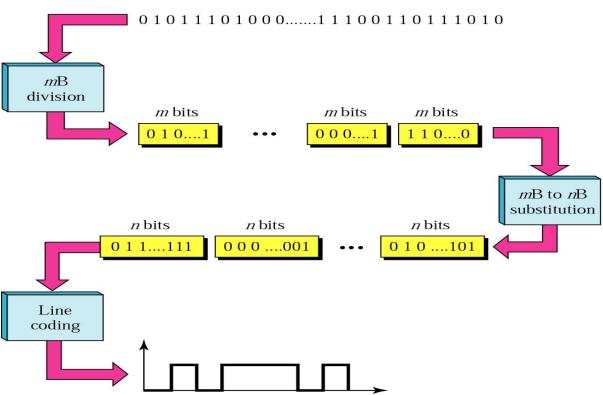
 Change the bit stream before encoding with NRZ-I so that there is no long streams of 0s.

#### **Solutions:**

- Block Coding
- Scrambling
- Block Coding
  - Changes a block of m bits to a block of n bits.
  - Referred to as mB/nB encoding.

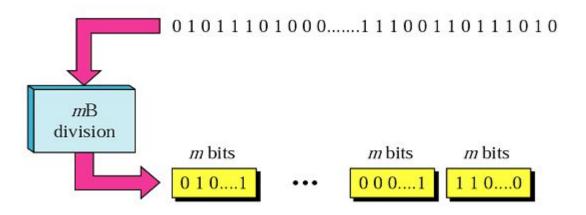
### **Block Coding**

- Three Steps Process:
  - Division
  - Substitution
  - Line Coding /Combination



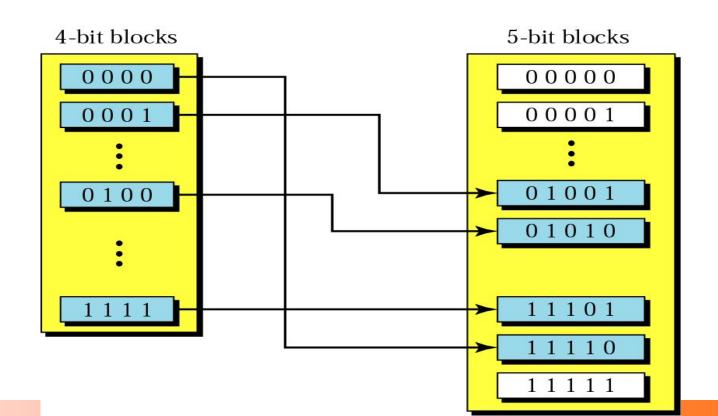
#### Step 1-Division

- The sequence of bits in data in divided into m Bits.
- For example in 4B/5B encoding, the original bit sequence is divided into 4-bit codes/sequence.



## Step 2-Substitution

Each m bits sequence is substituted for a n bit code.



## 4B/5B Block Coding

- 4-bit code ==16 different combinations
- 5-bit code== 32 possible combinations.
- So not all of 5-bit codes are required.
- Selection of the 5-bit code is such that each code contains no more than
  - "one leading 0 and no more than two trailing 0s." (3 consecutive 0s)

# Table: 4B/5B encoding

| Data Sequence | Encoded Sequence | Control Sequence    | Encoded Sequence |
|---------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 0000          | 11110            | Q (Quiet)           | 00000            |
| 0001          | 01001            | I (Idle)            | 11111            |
| 0010          | 10100            | H (Halt)            | 00100            |
| 0011          | 10101            | J (Start delimiter) | 11000            |
| 0100          | 01010            | K (Start delimiter) | 10001            |
| 0101          | 01011            | T (End delimiter)   | 01101            |
| 0110          | 01110            | S (Set)             | 11001            |
| 0111          | 01111            | R (Reset)           | 00111            |
| 1000          | 10010            |                     |                  |
| 1001          | 10011            |                     |                  |
| 1010          | 10110            |                     |                  |
| 1011          | 10111            |                     |                  |
| 1100          | 11010            |                     |                  |
| 1101          | 11011            |                     |                  |
| 1110          | 11100            |                     |                  |
| 1111          | 11101            |                     |                  |

# Step 3: Line Coding

- After substitution, a line coding scheme, exp NRZ-I is chosen to create a signal.
- A very simple line coding scheme is chosen, because the block coding procedure provides
  - two desirable features (??) of complex line coding schemes.

### **Block Coding-Pros/Cons**

- Solves the synchronization problem but not the DC component problem.
- If DC is unacceptable, use bipolar or biphase encoding.
- Increases the baud rate by 20%, still better than Manchester schemes.

## Scrambling

- Use scrambling to replace sequences that would produce constant voltage
- Filling sequence
  - Must be recognized by receiver and replace with original
  - Same length as original
- Design Goals
  - No dc component
  - No long sequences of zero level line signal
  - No reduction in data rate
  - Error detection capability

## Types of Scarmbling:

#### B8ZS

- Bipolar With 8 Zeros Substitution
- Commonly used US.

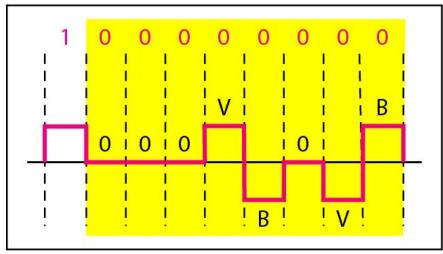
#### HDB3

- High Density Bipolar 3 Zeros
- Based on Bipolar AMI
- Commonly used Europe and Japan.

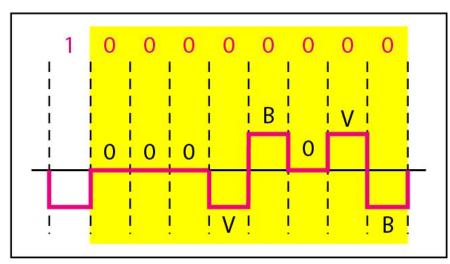
# B8ZS

- Based on bipolar-AMI
  - If octet of all zeros and last voltage pulse preceding was positive encode as 000+-0-+
  - If octet of all zeros and last voltage pulse preceding was negative encode as 000-+0+-
- Causes two violations of AMI code
  - Unlikely to occur as a result of noise

# B8ZS



a. Previous level is positive.



b. Previous level is negative.

# HDB3

- High Density Bipolar 3 Zeros
- Based on Bipolar AMI, Commonly used Europe and Japan.
- Based on bipolar-AMI
- String of four zeros replaced with one or two pulses

# HDB3 Subtitution Table

#### Number of Bipolar Pulses (ones) since Last Substitution

| Polarity of Preceding Pulse | Odd  | Even |
|-----------------------------|------|------|
| -                           | 000- | +00+ |
| +                           | 000+ | -00- |

# HDB3

