

WN Sheet 2 Sol.

Modulation & Multiple Access

- 1) The **bit rate** of a digital communication system is **34 Mbps**. The modulation scheme is **QPSK**. What is the **baud rate (symbol rate)** of the system?

Solution

$$\text{Bit Rate} = \text{Symbol Rate} \times \# \text{Bits/Symbol}$$

With **QPSK** we have that $\# \text{Bits/Symbol} = 2$. Thus, to find the symbol rate

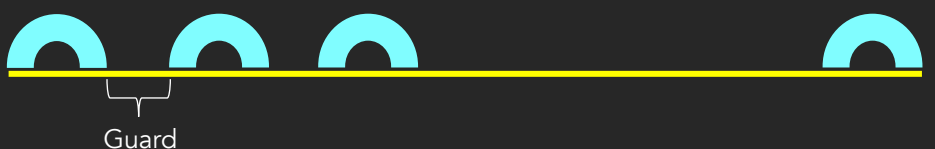
$$\text{Symbol Rate} = \frac{\text{Bit Rate}}{\# \text{Bits/Symbol}} = \frac{34 \times 10^6}{2} = 17 \text{ baud/s} = 17 \text{ MBd/s}$$

In the lecture, we covered **ASK**, **BFSK**, **BPSK** (they are all **binary** as **B** stands for so 1 *bit/symbol*) and **QPSK** (**Q** for **quadrature**; 2 *bits/symbol*) and **QAM** (3 *bits/symbol* (default) but can be higher like 4 *bits/symbol*).

- 2) In an **FDMA** system, **each user** is allocated a duplex channel i.e., one for uplink and other for downlink voice communication. Also, **these channels need to be guarded** from each other for **interference** by providing **sufficient separation** in the spectrum through the use of **guard bands**.
- A. If a US cellular operator is **allocated 25 MHz** of spectrum, and **guard band** must be **at least 10 KHz** and **each voice channel is 30 KHz**, then Find the number of channels in an FDMA system
- B. Find the **number of users** FDMA can **support** at the **same time**. Now suppose the **cellular operator** decides to use **TDMA system** and the **TDMA system** can support maximum of 8 time slots per TDMA frame, then what is the **total number of users supported per TDMA frame**?

Solution

- A. The **cellular operator** has **25 MHz** of spectrum. It needs to **divide it** into a **number of channels** each of bandwidth **30 KHz** separated from one another by **10 KHz** at least.



The following must clearly hold for the number of channels N and the bandwidths

$$25 \text{ MHz} = 30 \text{ KHz} \times N + 10 \text{ KHz} \times (N - 1)$$

That is,

$$25000 = 30N + 10(N - 1)$$

Which yields

$$N = 625.25$$

Thus, we can have at most 625 channels (less for wider guard bands).

For problems of exactly this form, we can write that in general

$$\text{Full BW} = \text{Channel BW} \times N + \text{Guard BW} \times (N - 1)$$

- B. Since each link is allocated as a duplex channel (frequency division duplex). Each user will get two channels and thus we can have at most

$$\#users = \lfloor N/2 \rfloor = 312$$

Now suppose that TDMA is used with 8 slots per frame. In this case, if the system also uses time division duplex (TDD) which require a time slot for uplink and a time slot for downlink then we would have at most

$$\#users = \left\lfloor \frac{\#slots/frame}{2} \right\rfloor = \lfloor 8/2 \rfloor = 4$$

Meanwhile, if it uses FDD (in each time slot there are separate uplink and downlink frequencies) then

$$\#users = \#slots/frame = 8$$

3) If TDMA uses a frame structure where each frame consists of 8 time slots, and each time slot contains 156.25 bits, and data is transmitted at 270.833 Kbps in the channel, Find:

- A. The time duration of a bit
- B. The time duration of slot
- C. The time duration of a frame
- D. How long a user must wait between two successive transmissions? Give the worst case and best case (assume each user is guaranteed transmission opportunity in each frame) solutions.

Solution

Clearly holds that:

$$t_{frame} = 8 \times t_{slot} \text{ and } t_{slot} = 156.25 \times t_{bit}$$

Since $bitrate = 270.83 \text{ Kb/s}$ we have that

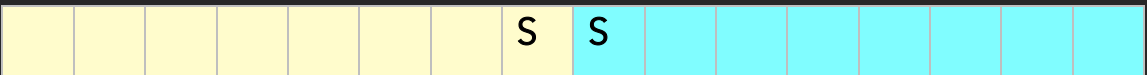
$$t_{bit} = \frac{1}{bitrate} = 0.0037ms$$

Thus,

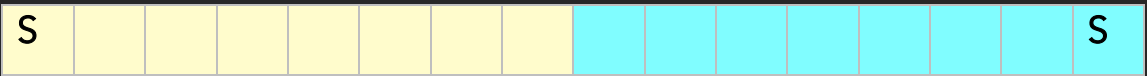
$$t_{slot} = 156.25 \times 0.0037 = 0.578ms \text{ and } t_{frame} = 8 \times 0.578 = 4.625ms$$

For the best-case and worst-case scenarios, assuming dynamic TDMA (the slot is not fixed) then

- Best case is being the last in the current frame and first in the next frame (no wait)



- Worst case is being the first in the current frame and last in the next frame



In this case, $14t_{slot} = 8.092ms$ has to be waited.

3) A CDMA receiver gets the following chips: $(+1 +1 +1 +1 +3 -1 -1 +3)$.

Assuming the chip sequences for three stations as defined below, which stations transmitted, and which bit did each one send

A: $(-1 +1 +1 -1 -1 +1 +1 -1)$

B: $(-1 +1 -1 +1 +1 -1 +1 -1)$

C: $(-1 +1 +1 -1 +1 -1 -1 +1)$

Solution

The chip sequences for each station refer to the unique codes given for each station (that signifies that "1" was sent). The codes are of length 8 (chipping rate) and thus, what the CDMA receiver got is a single vector equivalent to just 1 bit.

To know what bit A sent we dot product its code with the single vector we have in the stream:

$$(-1, 1, 1, -1, -1, 1, 1, -1) \cdot (1, 1, 1, 1, 3, -1, -1, 3) = -8 \rightarrow "0"$$

We conclude "0" as the result is $-ve$.

To know what bit B sent we dot product its code with the single vector we have in the stream:

$$(-1, 1, -1, 1, 1, -1, 1, -1) \cdot (1, 1, 1, 1, 3, -1, -1, 3) = 0 \rightarrow \text{Nothing}$$

We conclude it sent nothing as the result is 0.

To know what bit C sent we dot product its code with the single vector we have in the stream:

$$(-1, 1, 1, -1, 1, -1, -1, 1) \cdot (1, 1, 1, 1, 3, -1, -1, 3) = 8 \rightarrow "1"$$

We conclude "1" as the result is +ve.