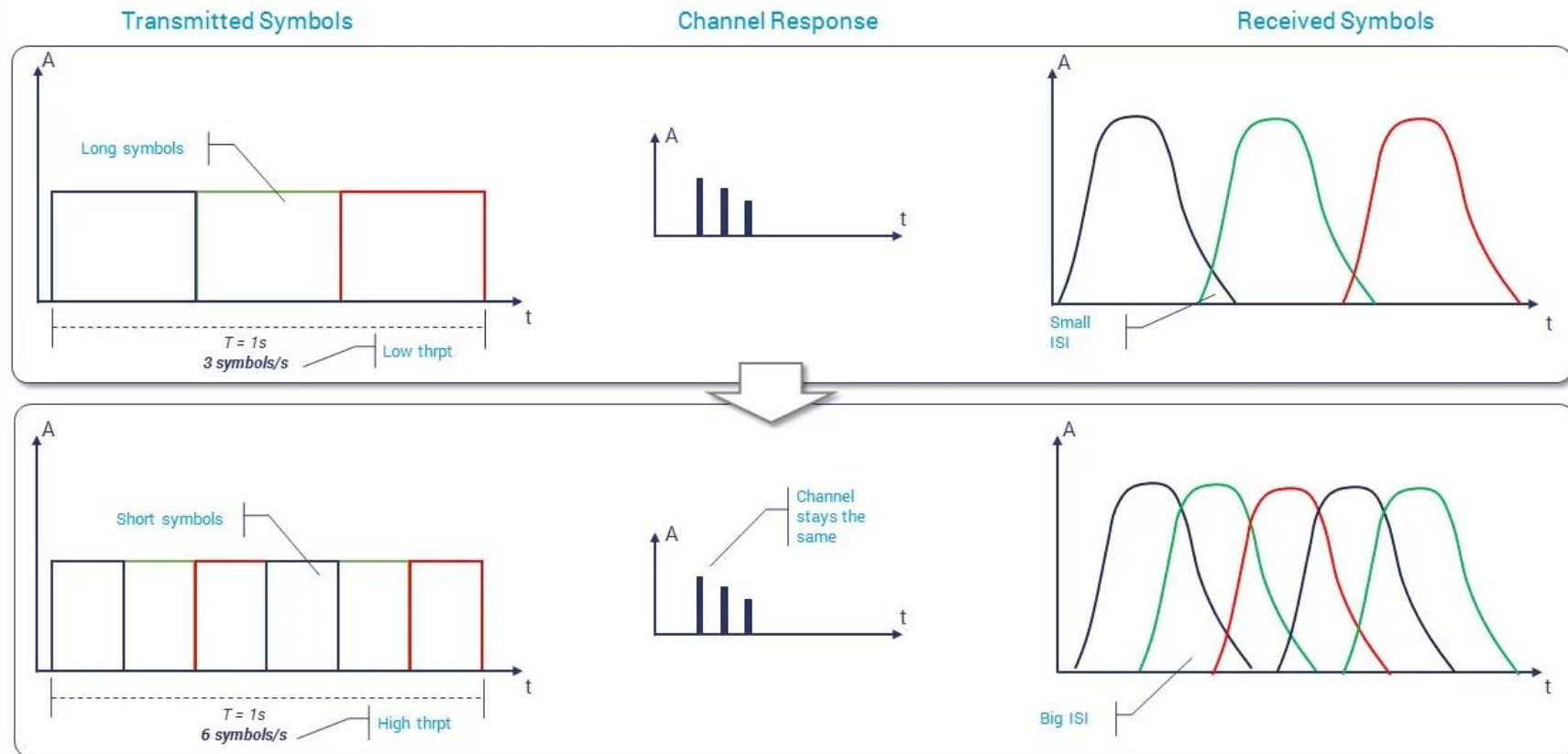


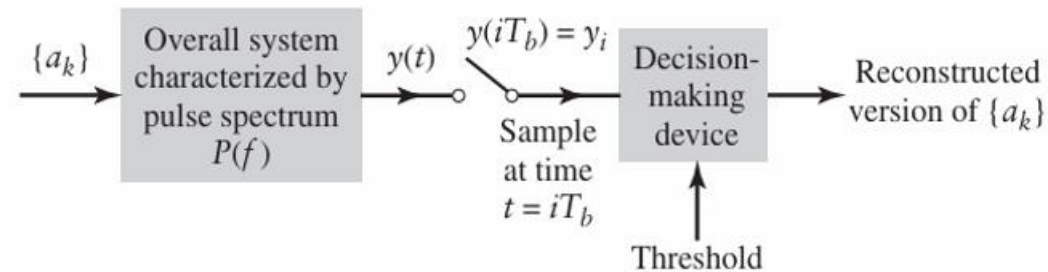
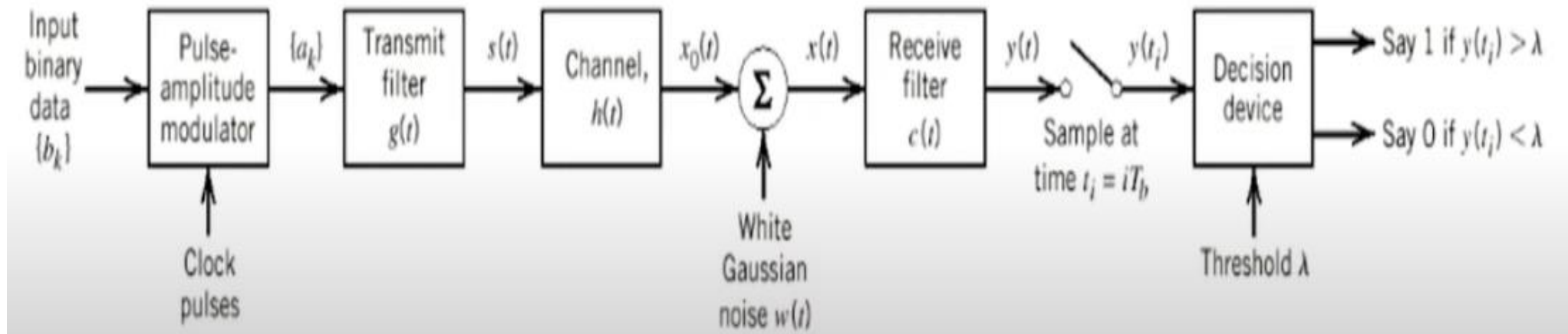
# Module 4 – Part 2

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# Inter Symbol Interference

- Arises due to imperfections in the frequency response of the channel.
- Occurs when a pulse spreads out in such a way that it interfere with adjacent pulses at the sample instants.
- Example:





**Baseband binary data transmission. (a) Block diagram of the system, depicting its constituent components all the way from the source to destination. (b) Simplified representation of the system.**

- $b_k$  - input binary data stream.
- At time  $t = kT_b$ ,  $T_b$  is the bit duration,  $k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots$
- The binary data stream  $b_k$  is applied to a line encoder, the purpose of which is to produce a level-encoded signal denoted by  $a_k$

$$a_k = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if symbol } b_k \text{ is 1} \\ -1 & \text{if symbol } b_k \text{ is 0} \end{cases} \longrightarrow (1)$$

- The level-encoded signal  $a_k$  is applied to a transmit filter to produce a sequence of pulses, whose basic shape is denoted in the time and frequency domains by  $g(t)$  and  $G(f)$  respectively.
- Transmitted signal  $s(t)$

$$s(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k g(t - kT_b) \longrightarrow (2)$$

- The signal  $s(t)$  is modified and transmitted over the channel whose impulse response is  $h(t)$ .
- The channel adds the white gaussian noise (random noise)  $w(t)$  to the signal at the receiver input.
- The noisy signal  $x(t)$  is then passed through a receiver filter of impulse response  $c(t)$ .
- The resulting filter output  $y(t)$  sampled and given to the decision device.
  - If sampled value is more than the threshold we will say it as binary '1'.
  - If the sampled value is lower than threshold we will say it as binary '0'.
- The channel output is

$$x_0(t) = s(t) * h(t) \quad * \text{ represents convolution}$$

- The receiver filter input

$$x(t) = x_0(t) + w(t) = [s(t) * h(t)] + w(t)$$

$$x(t) = \sum_k a_k [g(t - kT_b) * h(t)] + w(t)$$

- The receiving filter output

$$y(t) = x(t) * c(t)$$

$$y(t) = x(t) * c(t) = \left[ \sum_k a_k [g(t - kT_b) * h(t)] + w(t) \right] * c(t)$$

$$y(t) = \sum_k a_k [g(t - kT_b) * h(t) * c(t)] + w(t) * c(t) \rightarrow (3)$$

- The scaled pulse **p(t)** is obtained by double convolution of impulse response of transmitter g(t), the impulse response of channel h(t) and impulse response of receiving filter c(t), as

$$p(t) = g(t) * h(t) * c(t)$$

- We assume that p(t) is normalized by setting **p(0) = 1**.

- Convolution in time domain is transformed into multiplication in frequency domain.

$$P(f) = G(f) H(f) C(f)$$

Where  $P(f)$ ,  $G(f)$ ,  $H(f)$  and  $C(f)$  are frequency response of  $p(t)$ ,  $g(t)$ ,  $h(t)$  and  $c(t)$  respectively.

- Using Inverse Fourier Transform

$$g(t - kT_b) * h(t) * c(t) = F^{-1} [e^{-j2\pi f k T_b} G(f) H(f) C(f)]$$

$$\Rightarrow g(t - kT_b) * h(t) * c(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-j2\pi f k T_b} G(f) H(f) C(f) e^{j2\pi f t} df$$

$$\Rightarrow g(t - kT_b) * h(t) * c(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(f) H(f) C(f) e^{j2\pi f (t - kT_b)} df$$

$$\Rightarrow g(t - kT_b) * h(t) * c(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P(f) e^{j2\pi f(t-kT_b)} df$$

$$\Rightarrow g(t - kT_b) * h(t) * c(t) = p(t - kT_b)$$

$$\text{Where, } p(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P(f) e^{j2\pi ft} df$$

$$\text{From eq (3), } y(t) = \sum_k a_k p(t - kT_b) + n(t)$$

$$\text{Where, } n(t) = w(t) * c(t)$$

- The received filter output  $y(t)$  is sampled at  $t_i = kT_b$ ,  $T_b$  is the bit duration,  $k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots$

$$y(t_i) = \sum_k a_k p(t_i - kT_b) + n(t_i)$$

$$\Rightarrow y(t_i) = \sum_k a_k p(iT_b - kT_b) + n(iT_b)$$

$$y(t_i) = \sum_k a_k p[(i - k)T_b] + n(t_i)$$



$$y(t_i) = a_i + \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k p[(i - k)T_b] + n(t_i)$$

When  $k = i$   
 $p(0) = \sqrt{E}$   
 $= 1$  (normalised)

ISI term

The above equation has two terms (if noise ignored):

- (i) First term is produced by the  $i^{\text{th}}$  transmitted bit. Theoretically, only this term should be present.
- (i) Second term represents the residual effect of all the transmitted bits, obtained at the time of sampling the  $i^{\text{th}}$  bit. This residual effect is known as the **inter symbol interference (ISI)**.

# Nyquist Criterion for Distortion less Baseband Binary Transmission

- We know,

$$y(t_i) = a_i + \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k p[(i-k)T_b] + n(t_i)$$

- TIME DOMAIN CRITERION:

- From the above equation, the second term must be zero to eliminate the effect of ISI. This is possible if the received pulse  $p(t)$  is controlled such that,

$$p[(i-k)T_b] = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } i = k \\ 0 & \text{for } i \neq k \end{cases} \longrightarrow (1)$$

- **Use a pulse shape that has a nonzero amplitude at its center and zero amplitude at  $t = \pm nT_b$  ( $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ ).**
- If  $p(t)$  satisfies the above condition, then we get a signal which is free from ISI. ie  $y(t_i) = a_i$ .

- FREQUENCY DOMAIN CRITERION:

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} P(f - nf_b) = \frac{1}{f_b} = T_b$$

- **The pulse that have zero ISI, should have a spectrum if shifted to the multiple value of the rate should result in a constant.**
- Above equation is called **Nyquist pulse shaping criterion for baseband transmission**

# Ideal Nyquist Channel

- The simplest way of satisfying

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} P(f - nf_b) = T_b \text{ (or) } \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} P(f - nR_b) = T_b \rightarrow (1)$$

- For  $n=0$ , the LHS corresponds to  $P(f)$  and it represents a frequency function with the narrowest band which satisfies the above equation.
- The range of frequencies for  $P(f)$  will extend from  $-W$  to  $+W$  (  $-B_0$  to  $+B_0$  ) where  $W$  or  $B_0$  corresponds to half the bit rate.
- This equation is to specify the frequency function  **$P(f)$  to be in the form of a rectangular function**

$$P(f) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2W}; & -W < f < W \\ 0; & |f| > W \end{cases}$$

$R_b$  - Nyquist Rate  
 $W$  - Nyquist Bandwidth

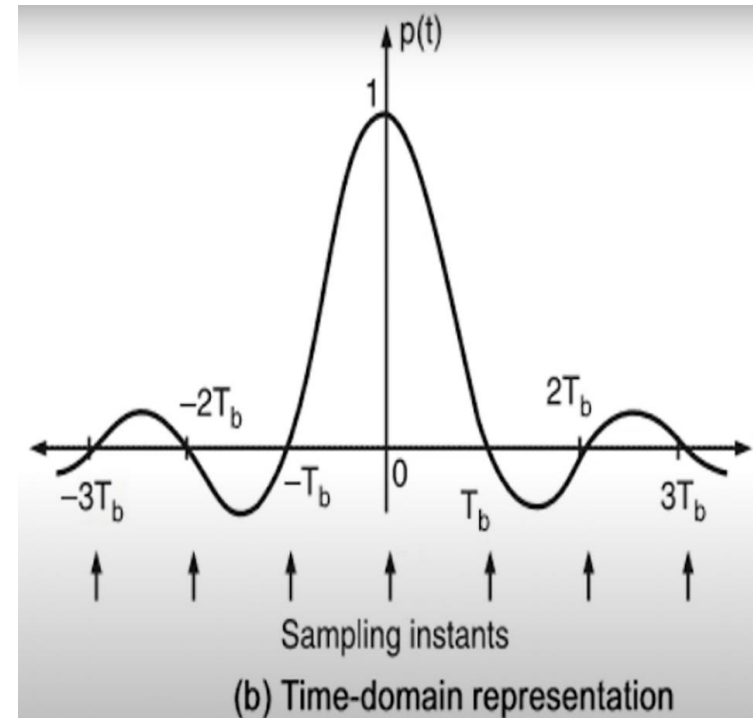
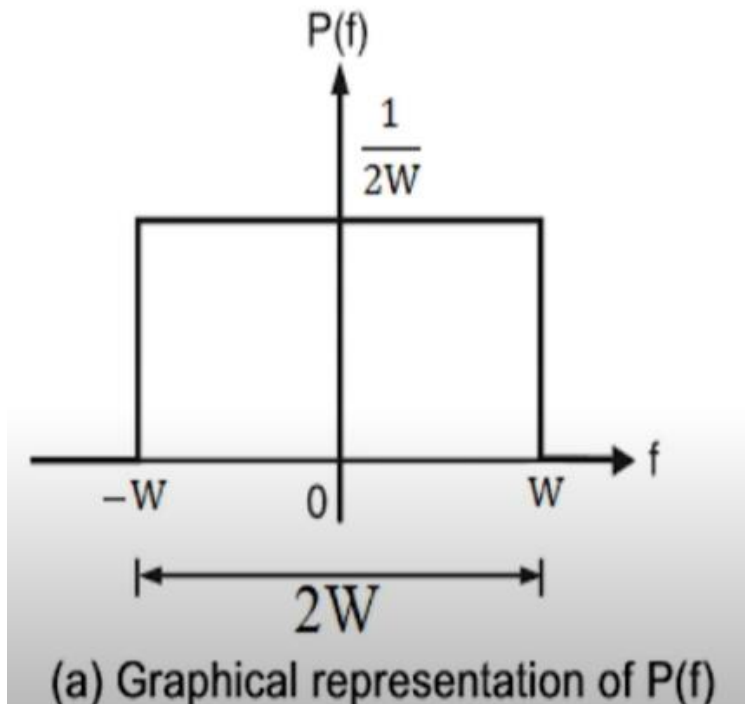
$$P(f) = \frac{1}{2W} \text{rect}\left(\frac{f}{2W}\right)$$

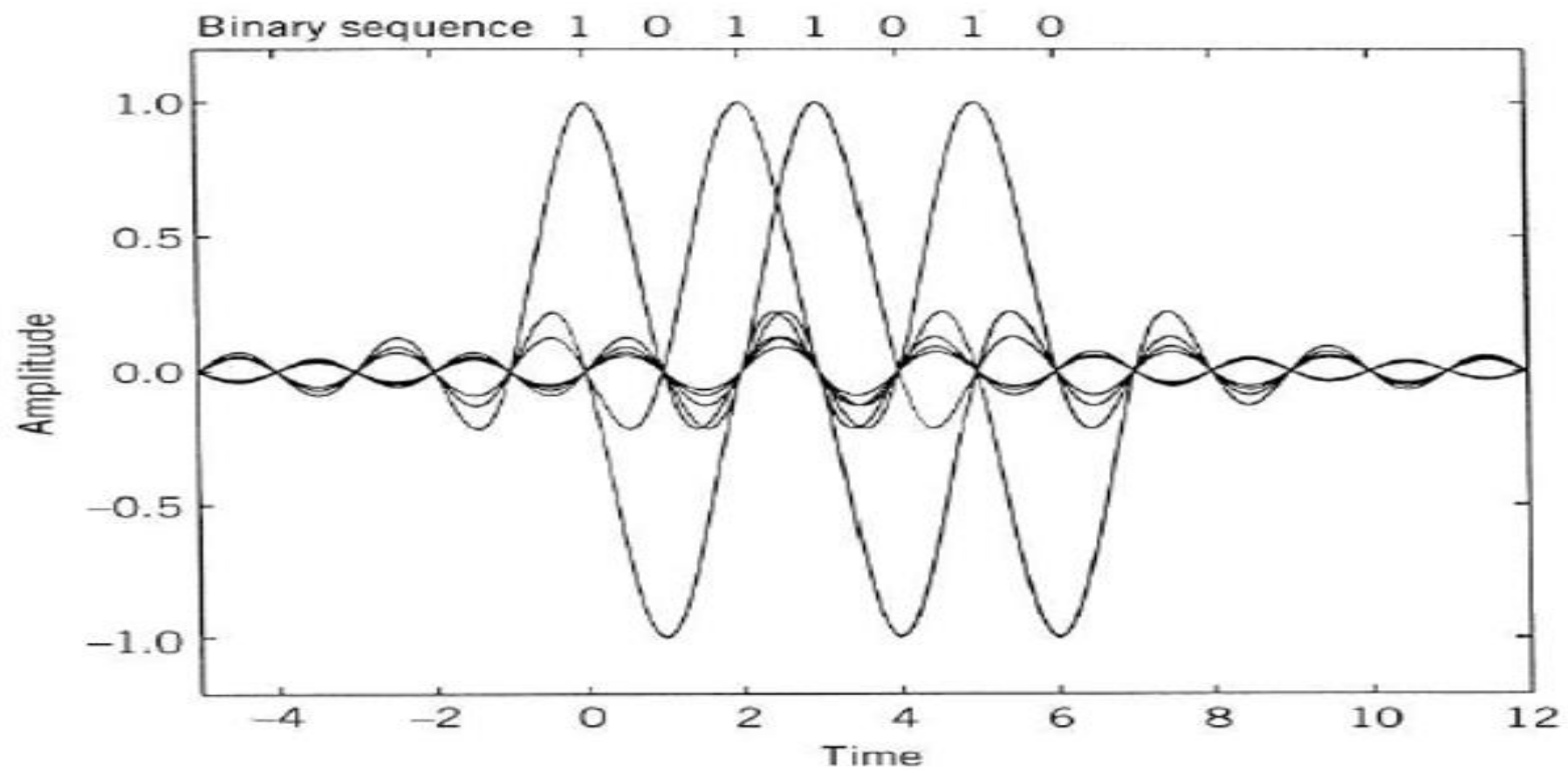
$$W = \frac{R_b}{2} = \frac{1}{2T_b}$$

- The signal that produces zero ISI can be obtained by taking the IFT of  $P(f)$

$$p(t) = F^{-1}[P(f)] \implies p(t) = F^{-1} \left[ \frac{1}{2W} \text{rect} \left( \frac{f}{2W} \right) \right]$$

$$\implies p(t) = \text{sinc}(2Wt) \text{ (or) } p(t) = \frac{\sin(2\pi Wt)}{2\pi Wt}$$





### Advantages of using Sinc Pulse

- Bandwidth requirement (of the channel) is reduced.
- ISI is reduced.

### Possible difficulties;

- The function  $P(f)$  varies from  $-W$  to  $+W$  and zero elsewhere. This is physically unrealizable because of abrupt transitions at the edges  $\pm W$ .
- Sinc pulse is not fast decaying (**decays very slowly  $1/t$  rate**)
- Practical solution is the Raised Cosine Channel.

# Raised Cosine Channels or Raised Cosine Spectrum

- We extend the minimum value of  $W = \frac{R_b}{2}$  to an adjustable value between **W** and **2W**.
- We know

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} P(f - nf_b) = T_b \text{ (or) } \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} P(f - nR_b) = T_b = \frac{1}{R_b} = \frac{1}{f_b}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \dots + P(f + 3R_b) + P(f + 2R_b) + P(f + R_b) + P(f) + P(f - R_b) \\ & + P(f - 2R_b) + P(f - 3R_b) \dots = \frac{1}{R_b} = T_b \end{aligned}$$

- We will consider only three terms (three harmonics) and restrict the bandwidth to  $(-W, +W)$

$$P(f + 2W) + P(f) + P(f - 2W) = \frac{1}{2W}; \quad -W \leq f \leq W$$

$$\begin{aligned} W &= \frac{R_b}{2} \\ R_b &= 2W \end{aligned}$$



- There are several possible band-limited functions to satisfy the above equation.
- Of great practical interest is the raised cosine spectrum.
- Raised Cosine spectrum consists of
  - **Flat portion**, which occupies the frequency band  $0 \leq |f| \leq f_1$  for some  $f_1$  parameter to be defined.
  - **Roll-off portion**, which occupies the frequency band  $f_1 < |f| < 2W - f_1$
- The mathematical representation of raised cosine pulse is

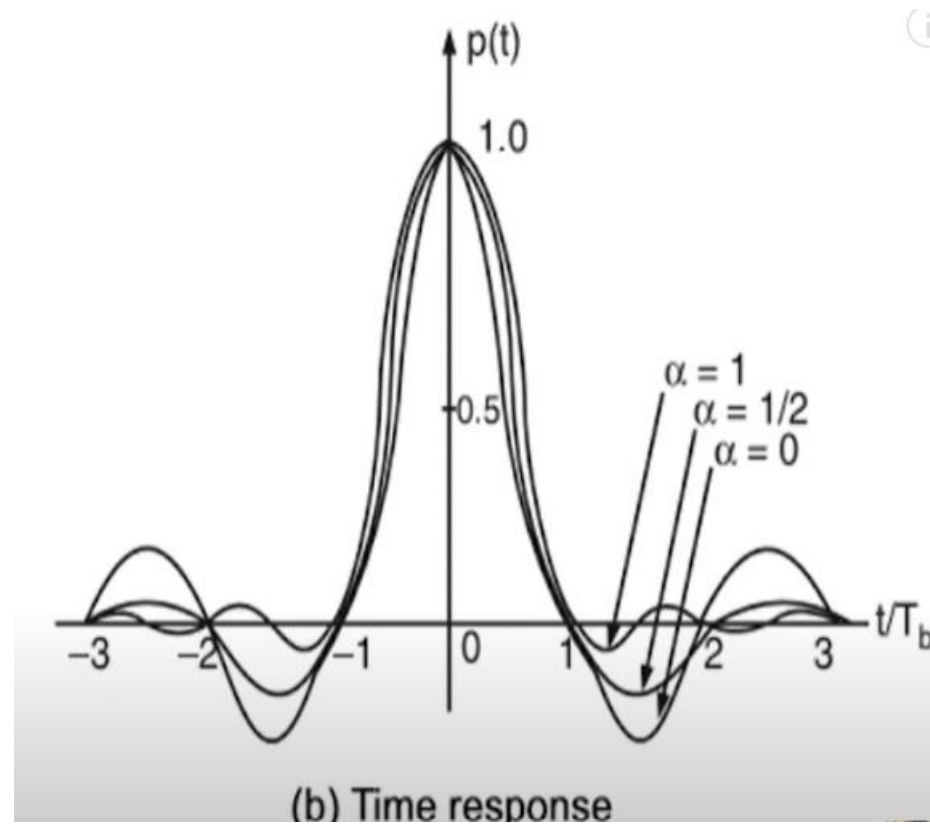
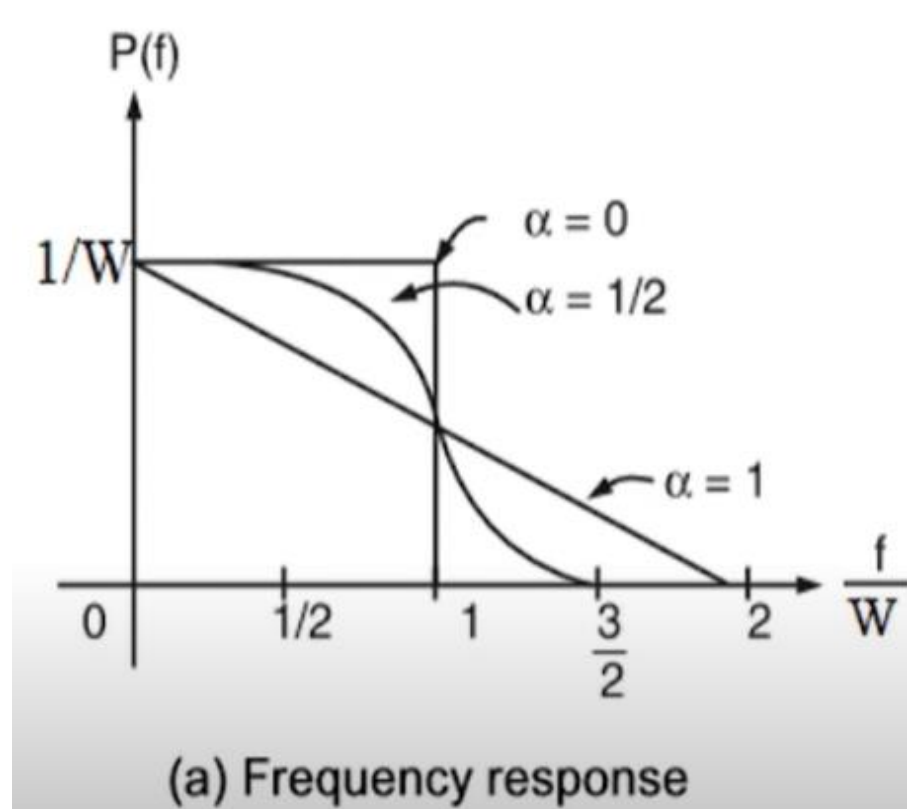
$$P(f) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2W}; & \text{(flat portion)} & 0 \leq |f| \leq f_1 \\ \frac{1}{4W} \left\{ 1 - \sin \left[ \frac{\pi(|f| - W)}{2W - 2f_1} \right] \right\}; & f_1 \leq |f| < 2W - f_1 \\ 0; & |f| \geq 2W - f_1 \end{cases}$$

- The frequency parameter  $f_1$  & bandwidth  $W$  are related by

$$\alpha = 1 - \frac{f_1}{W}$$

- $\alpha$  - Roll off factor, indicates the excess bandwidth over the ideal solution  $W$ .
- The transmission Bandwidth  $B_T$

$$B_T = 2W - f_1 \implies B_T = W(1 + \alpha)$$

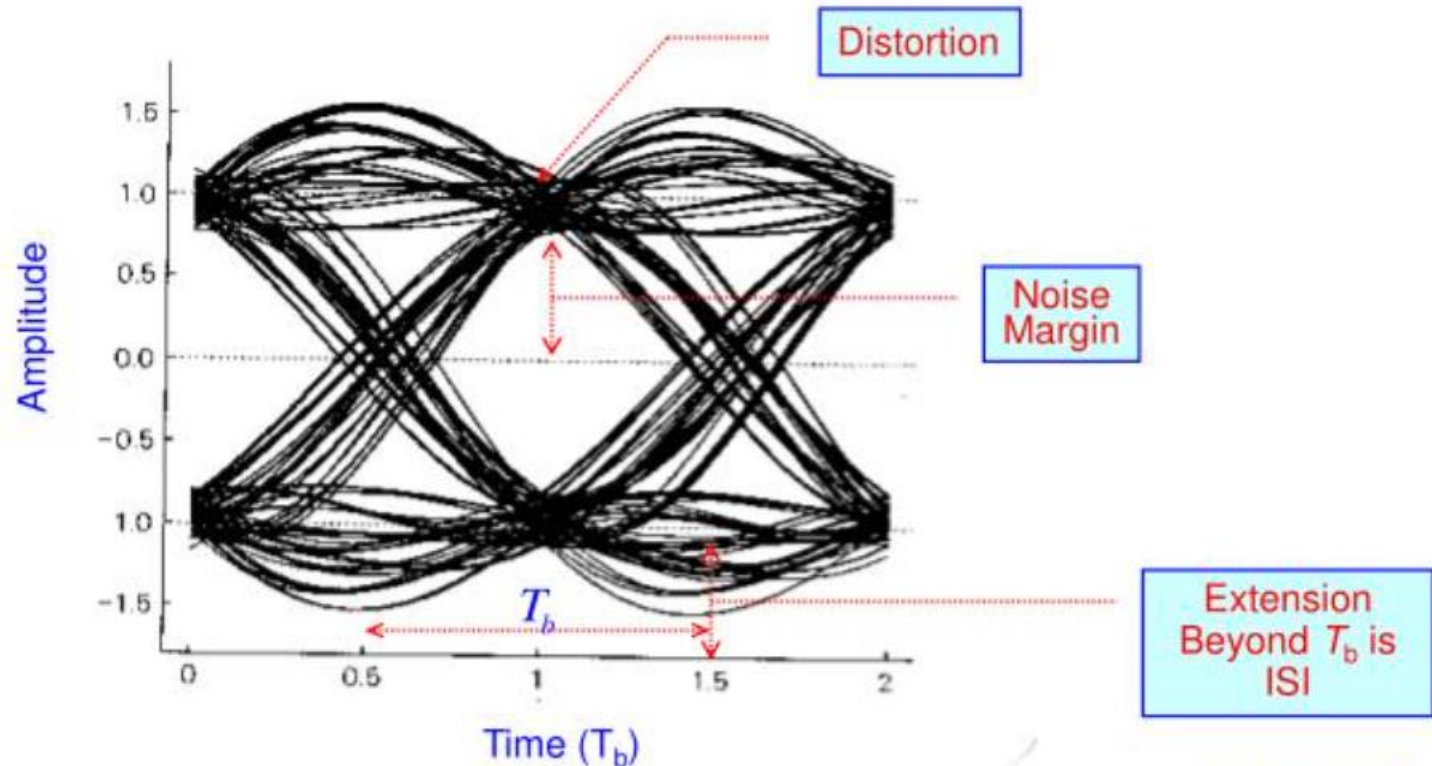


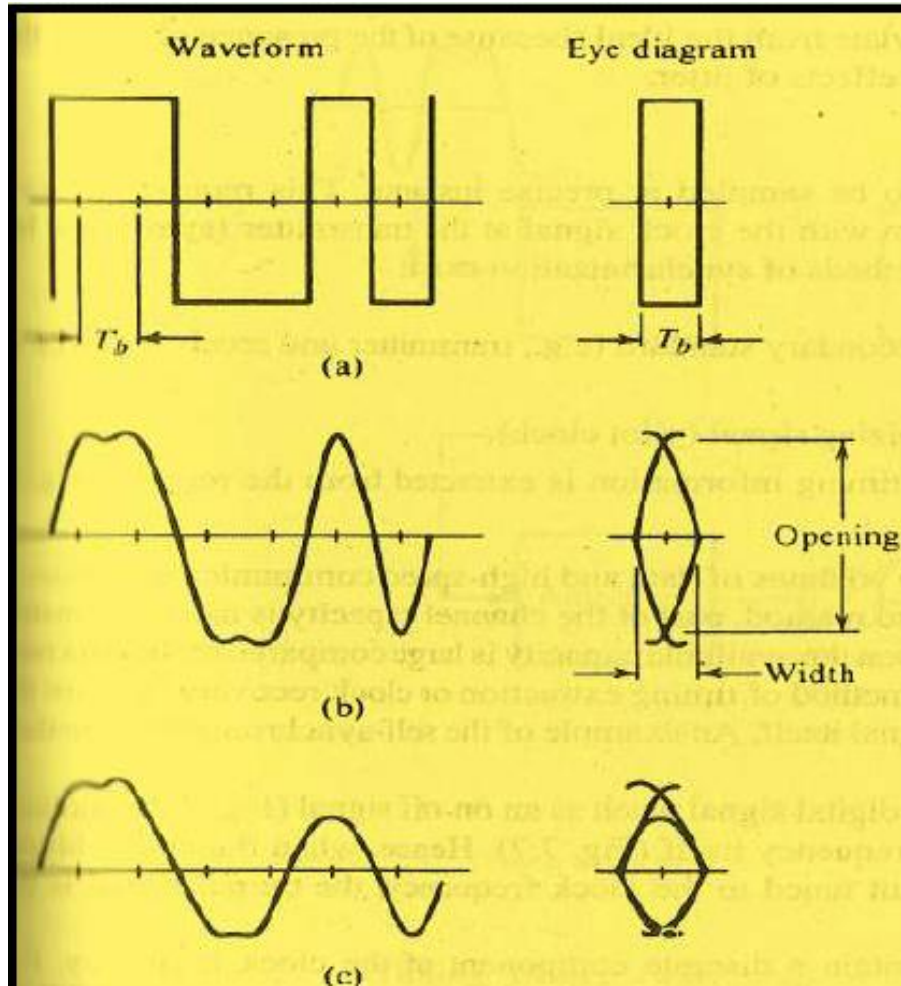
**Fig.** Responses for different roll-off factors,  $\alpha$ .

# Eye Pattern or Eye Diagram

How ISI is measured?

- In CRO, it is measured as eye diagram.
- At x terminal received signal is connected and at y terminal sawtooth wave is connected.
- More the opening of eye --- Less ISI





**a. Ideal channel,** infinite BW, pulse received without distortion.

**b. Distortion channel,** finite BW, received signal will rounded and spread out.  
*- full opening at mid-pt*

**c. Noise channel,** ISI is not zero, the eye close partially at the mid-pt