

# Update/Outline

*Another*

- Previously we have discussed
  - Probability of Error for Orthogonal M-ary modulation
  - Union Bound
  - Some signal types
- **We will now consider**
  - M-ary Modulation Types
  - MFSK, MPSK
  - Tradeoffs



# M-ary Modulation Types

- We have seen how to:
  - Design an optimum M-ary Receiver
  - Calculating the probability of bit and symbol errors
  - Considered some general transmission signal types
- Now we wish to discuss specific but popular modulation formats and determine their properties and when to use which one

# M-ary Phase-Shift Keying (MPSK)

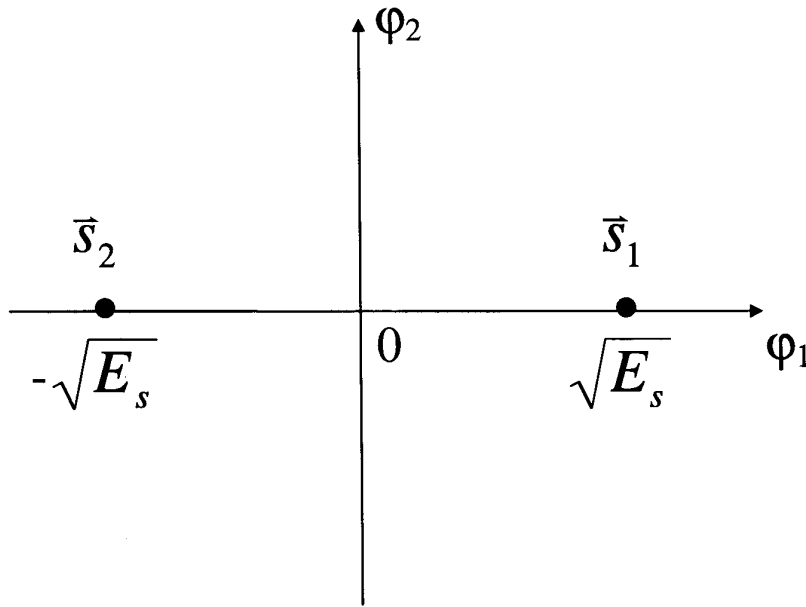
phase angle'.

$$s_k(t) = \sqrt{\frac{2E_s}{T_s}} \cos \left[ \omega_c t + \underbrace{\frac{2\pi(k-1)}{M}}_{\theta_k} \right] \quad 0 \leq t \leq T_s, k = 1, 2, \dots, M$$

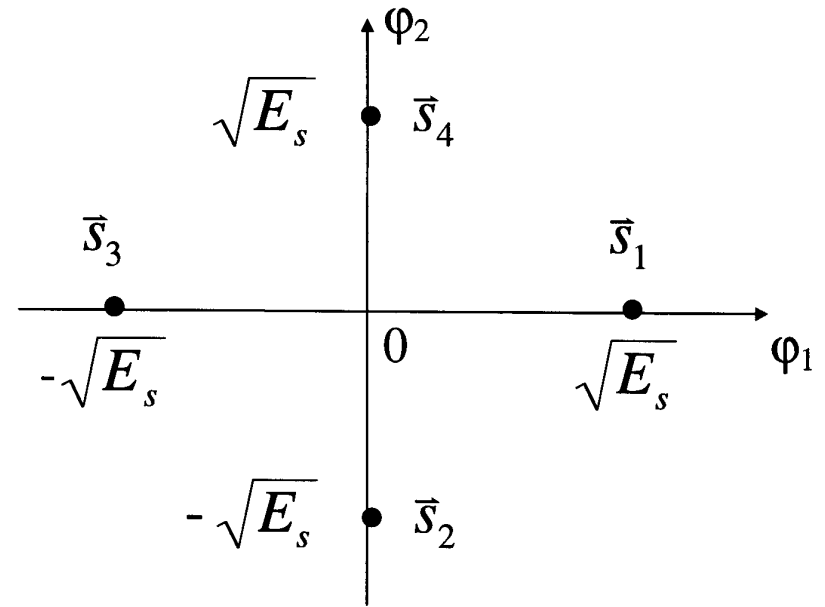
- Assuming that  $\omega_c = \frac{\text{integer} \times 2\pi}{T_s}$

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{aligned} \varphi_1(t) &= \sqrt{\frac{2}{T_s}} \cos(\omega_c t) \\ \varphi_2(t) &= \sqrt{\frac{2}{T_s}} \sin(\omega_c t) \end{aligned} \right.$$

# Examples of MPSK constellation



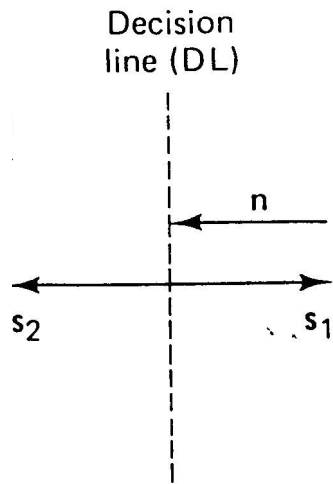
$M = 2$  (2-PSK  $\equiv$  BPSK)



$M = 4$  (4-PSK)

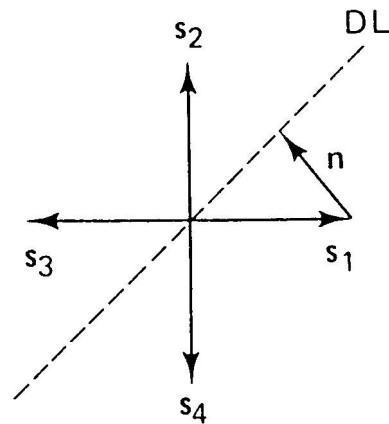
Also called **QPSK** ✓

# MPSK signal sets for $M=2,4,8,16$



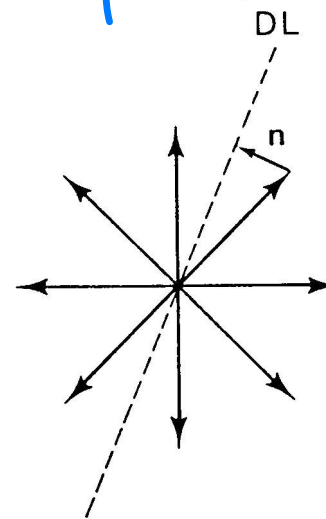
$M = 2$

(a)



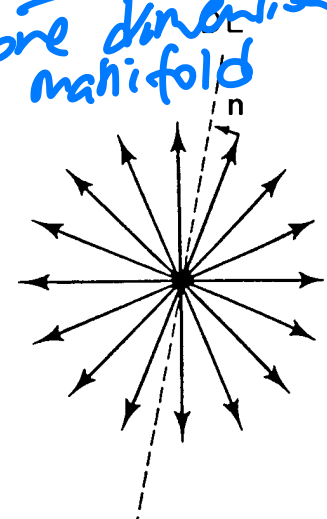
$M = 4$

(b)



$M = 8$

(c)



$M = 16$

(d)

*partition of circle  
one dimensional  
manifold*

# Error Performance of MPSK

- It can be shown that

$$P_{eM} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi^{1-\frac{1}{M}}} \exp\left[\frac{(E_s / N_0) \sin^2(\pi / M)}{\sin^2 \phi}\right] d\phi$$

i.e. Eqn (4-98) in Ziemer and Peterson

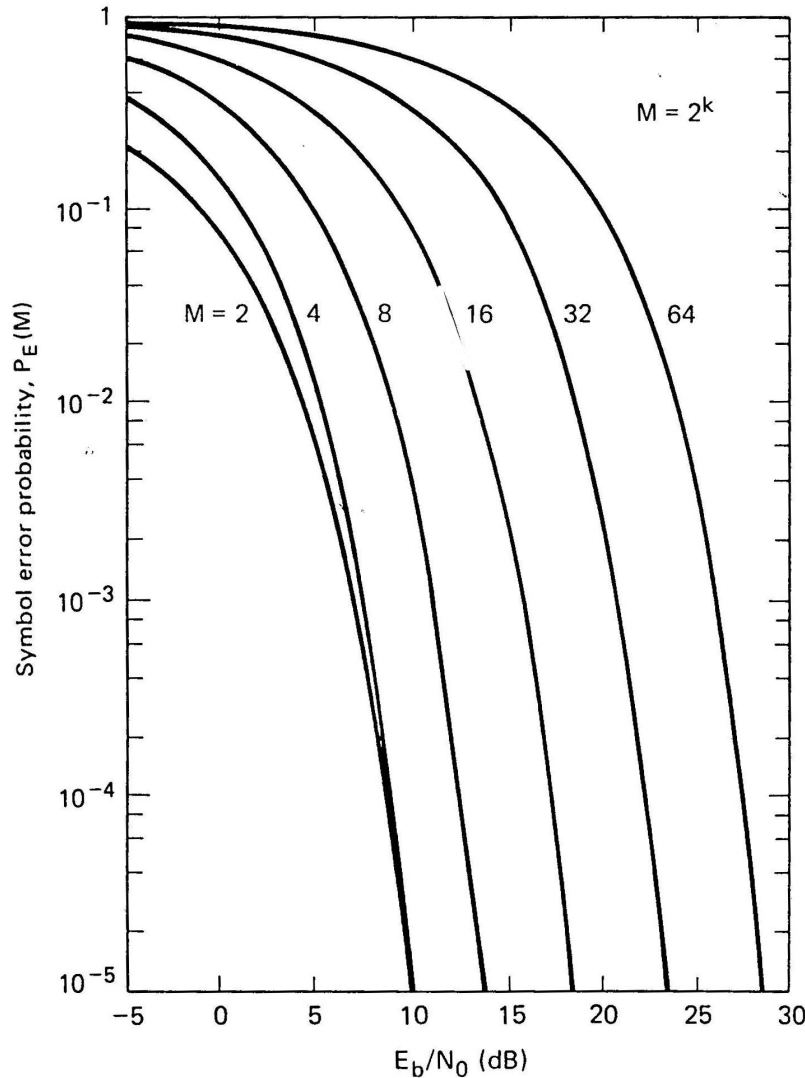
Except for  $M = 2$  and  $4$ , numerical integration is needed.

Alternatively, we can use the tight upper and lower bounds below.

$$Q\left[\sqrt{\frac{2E_s}{N_0}} \sin(\pi / M)\right] \leq P_{e,M} \leq 2Q\left[\sqrt{\frac{2E_s}{N_0}} \sin(\pi / M)\right]$$

only have 2 bottlenecks.

# SER vs Eb/No for MPSK



See also my  
note and note  
points in  
constellation  
diagram

**Figure 3.32** Symbol error probability for coherently detected multiple phase signaling. (Reprinted from W. C. Lindsey and M. K. Simon, *Telecommunication Systems Engineering*, Prentice-Hall, Inc., Englewood Cliffs, N.J., 1973, courtesy of W. C. Lindsey and Marvin K. Simon.)

For **large**  $E_s/N_0$ :

$$P_{e,M} \approx 2Q\left[\sqrt{\frac{2E_s}{N_0}} \sin(\pi / M)\right] \quad \checkmark$$

**Very tight** for **fixed M** as  $E_s/N_0$  increases.

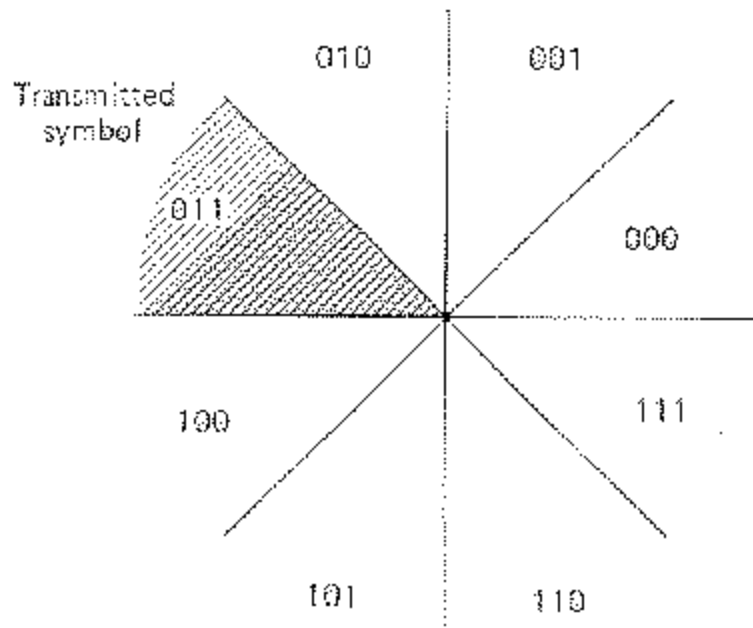
**How about Bit error prob?**

**Different from M-ary orthogonal, it depends on the bit labeling scheme used.**

Typically **Gray Coding** is used for MPSK<sub>8</sub>.



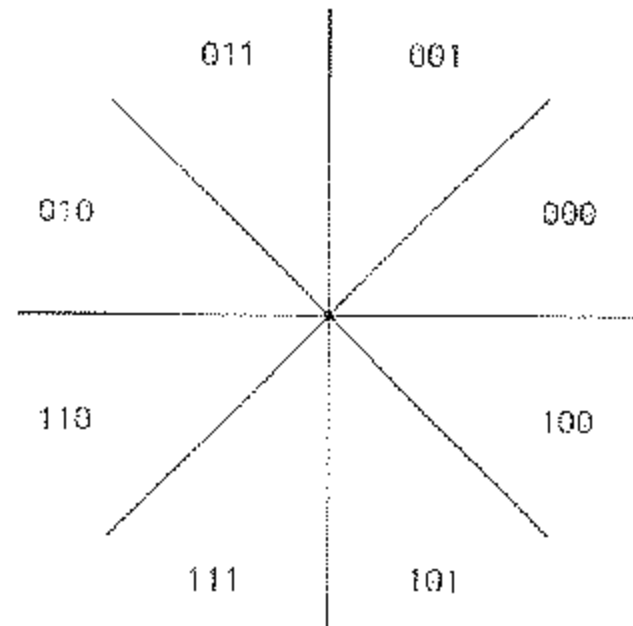
## Binary Code



(a)

only have 1 bit  
error!!!  
Gray Code  $\rightarrow$  in RT

## Gray Code



(b)

Figure 3.36 Binary-coded versus Gray-coded decision regions in an MPSK signal space. (a) Binary coded. (b) Gray coded.

Error depends on  
how you label  
the symbols!

# Gray Coding

- Allows representation of symbols or **bit-to-symbol mapping**
- In going from one symbol to an **adjacent** symbol, **only one bit** out of the k (or n bits in text) bits **changes**.
- An adjacent symbol error (i.e. the most likely symbol error) will therefore be accompanied by one and only one bit error.
- Thus, the **bit error** probability of Gray-coded MPSK can be well approximated by

$$P_b \cong \frac{P_{e,M}}{\log_2 M}$$

至多 1 bit error!

# M-QAM Modulation

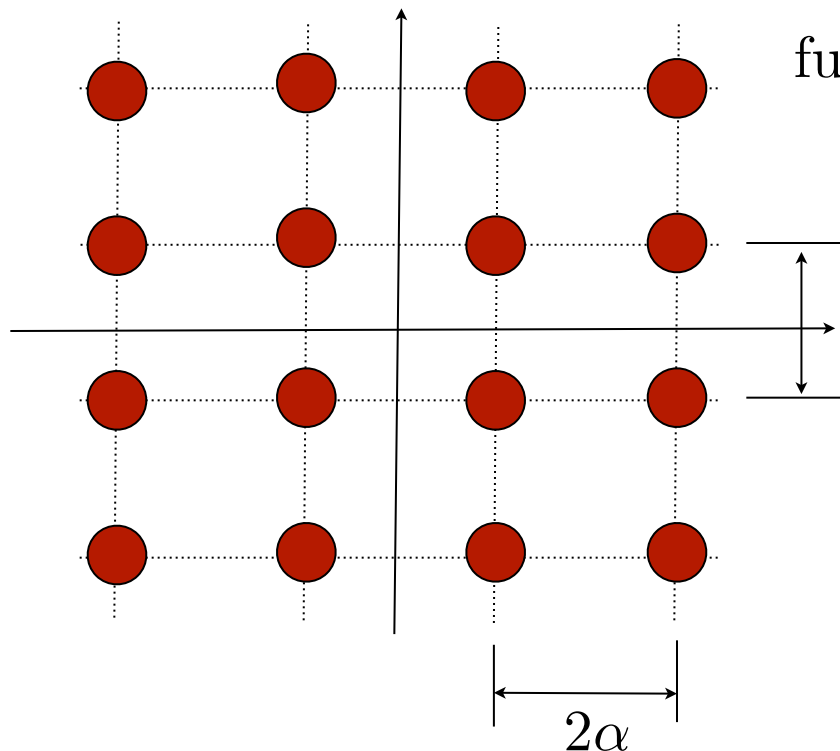
2-degrees of freedom

## Time Domain Description

$$s_k(t) = a_k \cos(\omega_c t) + b_k \sin(\omega_c t) \text{ for } t \in [0, T_s], k = \{1, 2, \dots, M\}$$

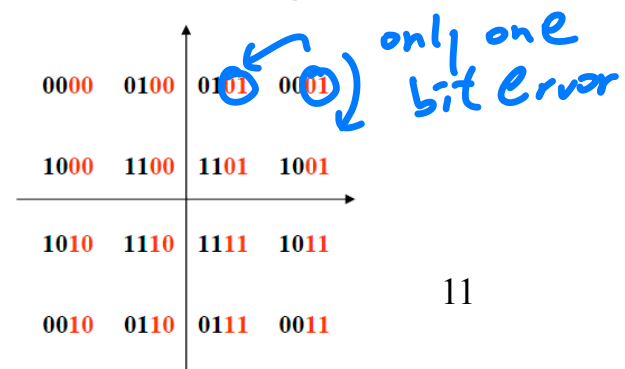
where  $a_k, b_k \in \{\pm\alpha, \pm3\alpha, \dots, \pm(\sqrt{M} - 1)\alpha\}$  and  $M = \{4, 16, 64, 256, \dots\}$

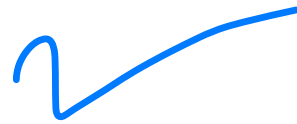
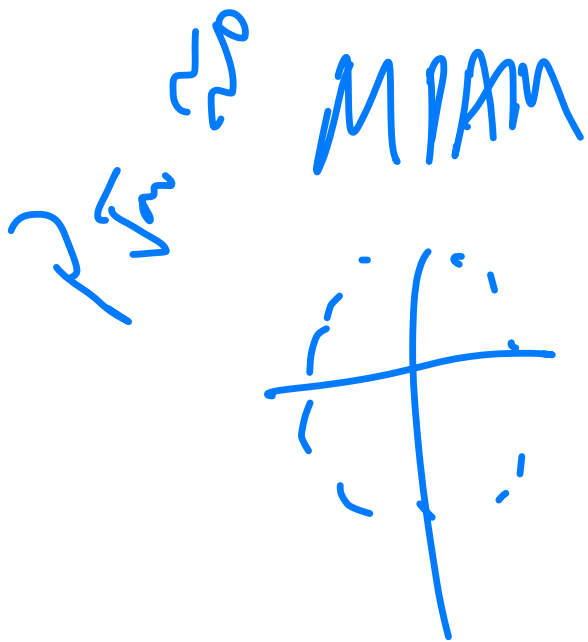
## Geometric Domain Description



2-dim signal space with basis functions  $\{\cos(\omega_c t), \sin(\omega_c t)\}$

Rectangular M-QAM signals can be generated easily using I-Q modulator





4-PSK = 4-QAM  
16-PSK  $\rightarrow$  16-QAM

# MQAM Performance

- Bit Rate:  $R_b = \frac{1}{T_s} \log_2 M$
- Average Symbol Energy:  $E_s = \frac{2}{\sqrt{M}} (2\alpha^2 + 2(3\alpha)^2 + \dots)$ 
  - e.g. for 16QAM,  $E_s = \frac{2}{4} (2\alpha^2 + 2(3\alpha)^2) = 10\alpha^2$
- Average Transmit Power:  $P_s = \frac{E_s}{T_s}$
- Remarks:
  - Not all M points have the same energy.
  - Information can be visualized as carried by the amplitude and phase information of the points

# MQAM Performance

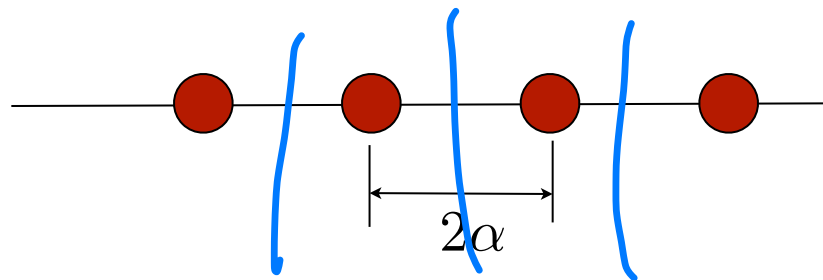
- Symbol Error Probability (SER)

Analysis:

*4-PAM x 4-PAM = 16-QAM*

- M-QAM can be regarded as two independent M-PAM, each having  $\sqrt{M} = 2^{k/2}$  points
- Probability of correct decision for M-QAM is given by:

$P_c = (1 - P_{\sqrt{M}})^2$  where  $P_{\sqrt{M}}$  is the probability of error of a  $\sqrt{M}$ -PAM



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# M-QAM Performance

give directly in the question!

- It can be shown that

$$P_{\sqrt{M}} = 2 \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}} \right) Q \left( \sqrt{\frac{3}{M-1} \frac{E_s}{N_0}} \right)$$

Symbol error rate! - edge!

- Hence,  $1 - (1 - 2P_{\sqrt{M}} + P_{\sqrt{M}}^2) =$

$$P_M = 1 - (1 - P_{\sqrt{M}})^2 \approx 2P_{\sqrt{M}} = 4 \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}} \right) Q \left( \sqrt{\frac{3}{M-1} \frac{E_s}{N_0}} \right)$$

if  $\frac{E_s}{N_0} = 1$   
exp. function!

- Recall that the MPSK SER is given by:

$$P_M \approx 2Q \left( \sin \frac{\pi}{M} \sqrt{\frac{2E_s}{N_0}} \right)$$

$$E_s = \log_2 b \cdot E_b$$

$$\tilde{E}_1 = 4 \tilde{E}_b$$

- Compare M-QAM with M-PSK SER:

– The gain of M-QAM over M-PSK is given

by:  $gain = \frac{3/(M-1)}{2 \sin^2(\pi/M)}$

$M \uparrow$ , gain  $\uparrow \uparrow$

# M-QAM Union Bound

- Instead of working out the exact  $P_e$ , the union bound is simpler and is asymptotically accurate for high SNR.

$$P_e \leq 4Q\left(\sqrt{\frac{d_{min}^2}{2N_0}}\right) \approx 4Q\left(\sqrt{\frac{(2\alpha)^2}{2N_0}}\right) \approx 4Q\left(\sqrt{\frac{3E_s}{(M-1)N_0}}\right)$$

On average 4 nearest neighbors

- Compare with the exact  $P_e$ , they are very close especially for large  $E_s/N_0$ .



# Choices of M-ary Modulations

- There are a number of factors that one needs to consider in order to pick a modulation scheme. For example:
  - Power efficiency (inversely proportional to  $E_b/N_0$ )
  - Bandwidth efficiency (bit rate/bandwidth)
- M-ary modulation allows us to trade in power, bit rate and bandwidth

# Error Probability Performance Curves

- Allow us to design and set an operating point for a system
- Consider **MFSK**
  - Increasing **M** can provide an improvement in  $P_b$ , or reduction in the  $E_b/N_0$  required, at the cost of increased bandwidth
- Consider **MPSK**
  - Increasing **M** can provide a reduction in bandwidth requirement, at the cost of degraded  $P_b$ , or increase in the  $E_b/N_0$  requirement

# Theoretical Limits on Performance

- **Channel Capacity** is the theoretical upper bound for the maximum rate at which information could be transmitted without error (*Shannon 1948*)
  - For a bandlimited channel that is corrupted by AWGN  $\left( N_n(f) = \frac{N_0}{2} \right)$  the maximum rate achievable is given by

$$R = \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{Bandwidth}}}{B} \log_2(1 + SNR) = B \log_2\left(1 + \frac{P_s}{N_0 B}\right) \quad \leftarrow \text{Power}$$

no need BER!

$b_1 b_2 \dots \rightarrow$  Tx  $\mathcal{D}$  (ALGID)

$\mathcal{D}$  (rx)  $\xrightarrow{\hat{b}_1 \hat{b}_2 \dots}$

$b_1 b_2 b_3 \quad c_1 \dots$

$\uparrow$   
 $n(t) \sim \text{random} \rightarrow p_e$

$\hat{b}_1 \hat{b}_2 \hat{b}_3$

$m \downarrow \text{?} \text{ming}$   
 $0$

## Spectral Efficiency

# Shannon Limit

$R$ : bit rate  
 $B$ : bandwidth

- $N = N_0 B$ , hence *normalize for efficiency!*  
 $\frac{R_b}{B} = \log_2 \left( 1 + \frac{P}{N_0 B} \right) = \log_2 \left( 1 + \frac{P}{N} \right)$

- Next note that *Energy Efficiency* *SNR*

$$\frac{E_b}{N_0} = \frac{PT}{N_0} = \frac{P}{RN_0} = \frac{PB}{RN_0 B} = \frac{P}{N} \frac{B}{R}$$

- Then

$$\frac{E_b}{N_0} = \frac{B}{R} (2^{R/B} - 1)$$

*increasing  
function for  $\eta$*

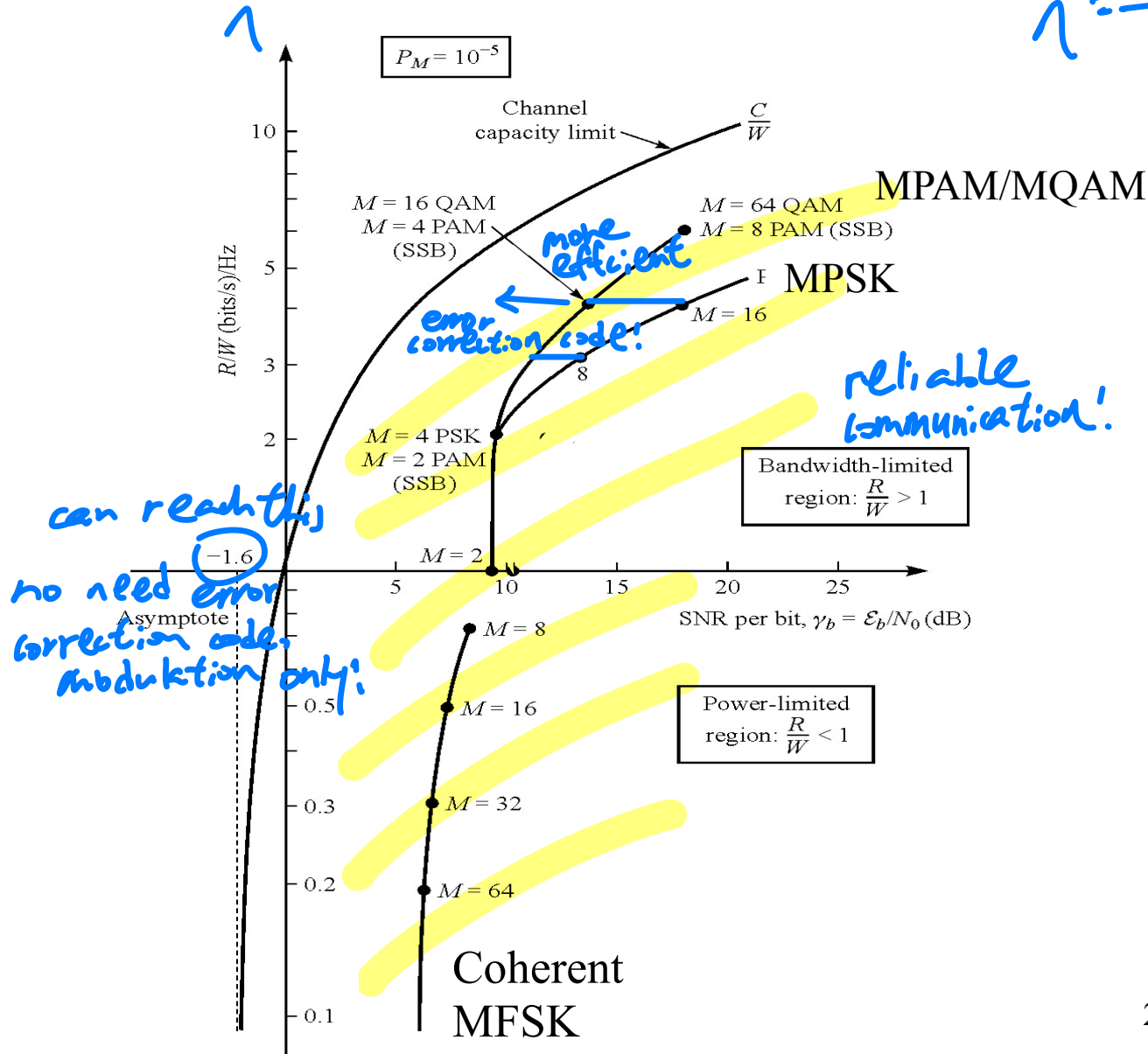
$$\eta = \frac{R_b}{B}$$
$$\eta = \log_2 \left( 1 + \eta \frac{E_b}{N_0} \right)$$

$$\frac{E_b}{N_0} = \frac{2^\eta - 1}{\eta}$$

*Another form!*

# Bandwidth- efficiency plane

$$\eta = \frac{\log_2 M}{M}$$



$$\left(\frac{\bar{e}_h}{N_0}\right)_{\min} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^n - 1}{n}$$

MTJK, by very large  $M$

# Trade-Offs

- *Power-Limited Systems*: Power scarce but bandwidth available
  - Improved  $P_b$  by expanding bandwidth (for a given  $E_b/N_0$ ) or required  $E_b/N_0$  can be reduced by expanding bandwidth (for a given  $P_b$ )
- *Bandwidth-Limited Systems*: bandwidth scarce
  - Maximize  $R$  over the bandlimited channel at the expense of  $E_b/N_0$  (for a given  $P_b$ )



# Shannon Limit

- In the limit as  $R/B$  goes to 0, we get

$$\frac{E_b}{N_0} = \frac{1}{\log_2 e} = 0.693 = -1.59dB$$

This value is called the **Shannon Limit** ( what is the relationship with  $k$  going to infinity)

Received  $E_b/N_0$  must be  $> -1.6dB$  for reliable communications to be possible

# Summary of M-ary Modulation Schemes

	M-FSK	M-PSK	M-QAM
Bit Rate	$R_b = \frac{1}{T_s} \log_2(M)$	$R_b = \frac{1}{T_s} \log_2(M)$	$R_b = \frac{1}{T_s} \log_2(M)$
BW (Bandpass)	$BW = \frac{M}{T_s}$	$BW = \frac{1}{T_s}$	$BW = \frac{1}{T_s}$ <i>size of letters</i>
Average Transmit Power	$\frac{E_s}{T_s}$	$\frac{E_s}{T_s}$	$\frac{4\alpha^2}{\sqrt{M}T_s} \sum_{i=1}^{\log_2 M/2} (2^i - 1)^2$ <i>2d</i>
Average Symbol Error Probability (SER)	$P_e \leq (M - 1)Q \left( \sqrt{\frac{E_s}{N_0}} \right)$	$P_e \leq 2Q \left( \sqrt{\frac{2E_s}{N_0}} \sin(\pi/M) \right)$	$P_M \approx 4 \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}} \right) Q \left( \sqrt{\frac{3}{M-1} \frac{E_s}{N_0}} \right)$ <i>4 nearest neighbors</i>
Remarks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Orthogonal Signaling Schemes (Equi-energy points &amp; Mutually orthogonal signals)</li> <li>Enhance Energy Efficiency at the expense of extra BW</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Equi-energy constellation (information carried by phase values only)</li> <li>Dimension of the signal set is always 2 (I-Q modulator)</li> <li>Enhance spectral efficiency at the expense of extra power</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>Points are NOT equi-energy</u></li> <li>Information is carried by both amplitude and phase</li> <li>Enhance spectral efficiency at the expense of extra power</li> <li>Better than M-PSK for <math>M &gt; 4</math>.</li> </ul>