

Physical Layer Design for a Narrow Band Communication System

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Abstract—The design and implementation of a simple narrow band communication system is provided in this document. TCM-8PSK is used for modulation, followed by channel estimation and equalization in the presence of Rayleigh fading. Through simulation results, it is shown that the proposed system is robust.

1 SPECIFICATIONS

The specifications for the communication system to be designed are listed in Table 1.

| Parameter | Value |
|-------------------|--|
| Hardware | FPGA based baseband |
| MODEM | 8PSK-TCM |
| Modem Rate | 555Kbps |
| SNR | 7.6 db at 1e5 |
| Channel (V/UHF) | 30Mhz - 512Mhz |
| Bandwidth | 250khz |
| Bit Duration | 2.7us |
| Throughput | 100kbps (Throughput at application Layer) |
| Ramp up time | 116 us (Junk symbols will be sent) |
| Propagation Delay | 100 us (Junk symbols will be sent) |
| Training sequence | 421.2us(provided time for training sequence) |
| Frame Slot | 2 ms |
| Frame SOM | 8 bytes |
| Payload | 32 bytes (692 us) |

TABLE 1: Specifications

2 8-PSK

2.1 Modulation

2.1.1. See Fig. ?? for the constellation diagram. The transmitted symbol set is given by

$$\mathbf{s}_m = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \frac{2m\pi}{8} \\ \sin \frac{2m\pi}{8} \end{pmatrix}, \quad m \in \{0, 1, \dots, 7\}. \quad (2.1.1.1)$$

The numerical values for \mathbf{s}_m are listed in Table ??

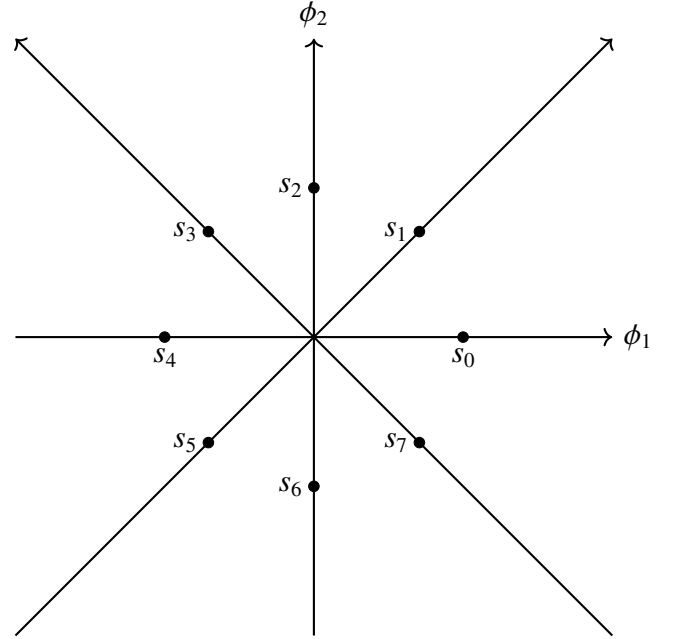


Fig. 2.1.1.1: Constellation diagram

2.1.2. The gray code shown in Table ?? is used for encoding the 8-PSK symbols.

2.1.3. The received symbol is then obtained as

$$\mathbf{y} = \sqrt{E_s} \mathbf{s} + \mathbf{n} \quad (2.1.3.1)$$

where E_s is the symbol energy and

$$\mathbf{n} \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mathbf{0}, \frac{N_0}{2}\mathbf{I}\right) \quad (2.1.3.2)$$

$$\mathbf{s} \in \{\mathbf{s}_m\}_{m=0}^7 \quad (2.1.3.3)$$

2.1.4. The decision rule is given by Fig. ?? and can be expressed as

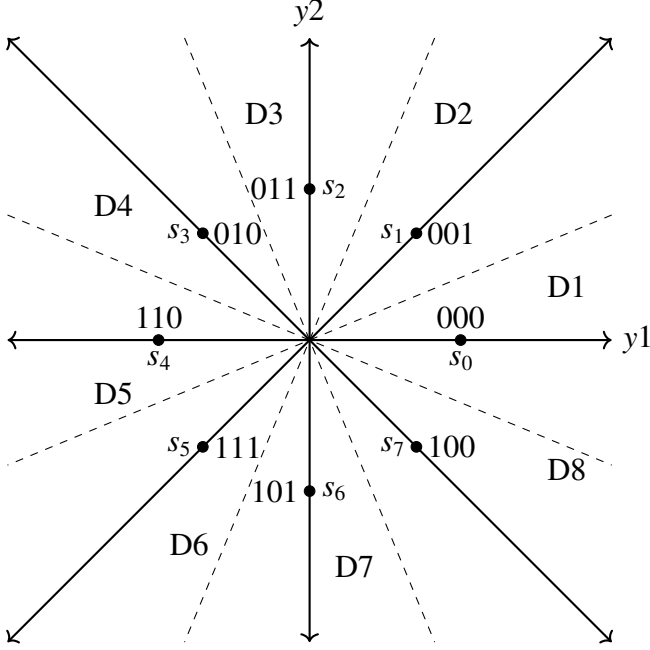


Fig. 2.1.4.1: decision regions

Let \mathbf{r} be the received bits, $\mathbf{r} = [r_1, r_2, r_3]$.

$$r_1 = \begin{cases} 0, & \mathbf{y} \in D1 \cup D2 \cup D3 \cup D4 \Leftrightarrow y_1(\sqrt{2}-1) + y_2 > 0 \\ 1, & \mathbf{y} \in D5 \cup D6 \cup D7 \cup D8 \Leftrightarrow y_1(\sqrt{2}-1) + y_2 < 0 \end{cases} \quad (2.1.4.1)$$

$$r_2 = \begin{cases} 0, & \mathbf{y} \in D2 \cup D1 \cup D8 \cup D7 \Leftrightarrow y_2 - (\sqrt{2}+1)y_1 < 0 \\ 1, & \mathbf{y} \in D3 \cup D4 \cup D5 \cup D6 \Leftrightarrow y_2 - (\sqrt{2}+1)y_1 > 0 \end{cases} \quad (2.1.4.2)$$

$$r_3 = \begin{cases} 0, & \mathbf{y} \in D4 \cup D5 \cup D1 \cup D8 \Leftrightarrow y_2 + (\sqrt{2}+1)y_1 < 0, y_2 - (\sqrt{2}-1)y_1 > 0 \\ 1, & \mathbf{y} \in D2 \cup D3 \cup D6 \cup D7 \Leftrightarrow y_2 + (\sqrt{2}+1)y_1 > 0, y_2 - (\sqrt{2}-1)y_1 < 0 \end{cases} \quad (2.1.4.3)$$

From eq.2.1.4.1, eq.2.1.4.2 and eq.2.1.4.3

For detecting s_0 , $y_2 + (\sqrt{2}-1)y_1 > 0$ and $y_2 - (\sqrt{2}-1)y_1 < 0$.

For detecting s_1 , $y_2 - (\sqrt{2}+1)y_1 < 0$ and $y_2 - (\sqrt{2}-1)y_1 > 0$.

For detecting s_2 , $y_2 - (\sqrt{2}+1)y_1 > 0$ and $y_2 + (\sqrt{2}+1)y_1 > 0$.

For detecting s_3 , $y_2 + (\sqrt{2}-1)y_1 > 0$ and $y_2 + (\sqrt{2}+1)y_1 < 0$.

For detecting s_4 , $y_2 + (\sqrt{2}-1)y_1 < 0$ and $y_2 - (\sqrt{2}-1)y_1 > 0$.

For detecting s_5 , $y_2 - (\sqrt{2}+1)y_1 > 0$ and $y_2 - (\sqrt{2}-1)y_1 < 0$.

For detecting s_6 , $y_2 - (\sqrt{2}+1)y_1 < 0$ and $y_2 + (\sqrt{2}+1)y_1 < 0$.

For detecting s_7 , $y_2 + (\sqrt{2}-1)y_1 < 0$ and $y_2 + (\sqrt{2}+1)y_1 > 0$.

2.1.5. The following code has simulation of 8PSK.

codes/8psk.py

3 QPSK

3.1 Modulation

3.1.1. See Fig. ?? for the constellation diagram. The transmitted symbol set is given by

$$\mathbf{s}_m = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \frac{2m\pi}{8} \\ \sin \frac{2m\pi}{8} \end{pmatrix}, \quad m \in \{0, 1, \dots, 3\}. \quad (3.1.1.1)$$

The numerical values for \mathbf{s}_m are listed in Table ??

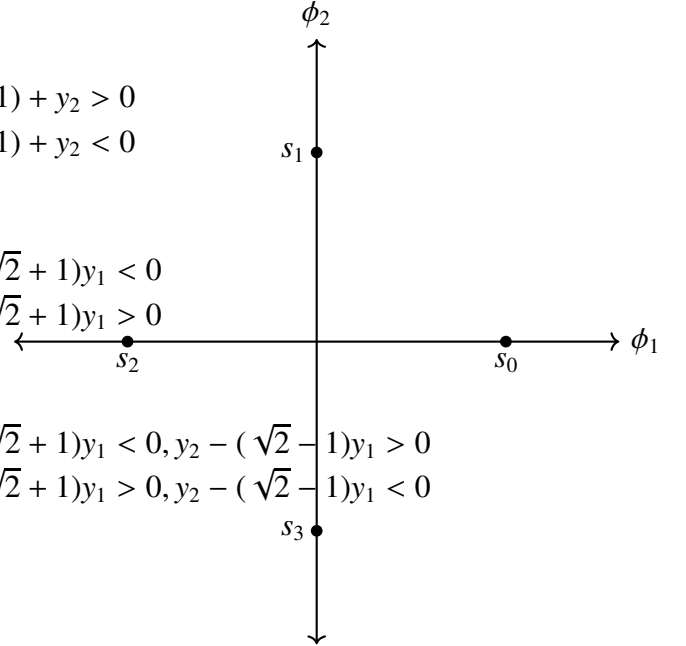


Fig. 3.1.1.1: constellation diagram

3.1.2. See Table ?? for the encoding scheme.

3.2 Demodulation

3.2.1. The received symbol is then obtained as

$$\mathbf{y} = \sqrt{E_s}\mathbf{s} + \mathbf{n} \quad (3.2.1.1)$$

where E_s is the symbol energy and

$$\mathbf{n} \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mathbf{0}, \frac{N_0}{2}\mathbf{I}\right) \quad (3.2.1.2)$$

$$\mathbf{s} \in \{\mathbf{s}_m\}_{m=0}^3 \quad (3.2.1.3)$$

3.2.2. The decision rule is given by Fig. ?? and can be expressed as

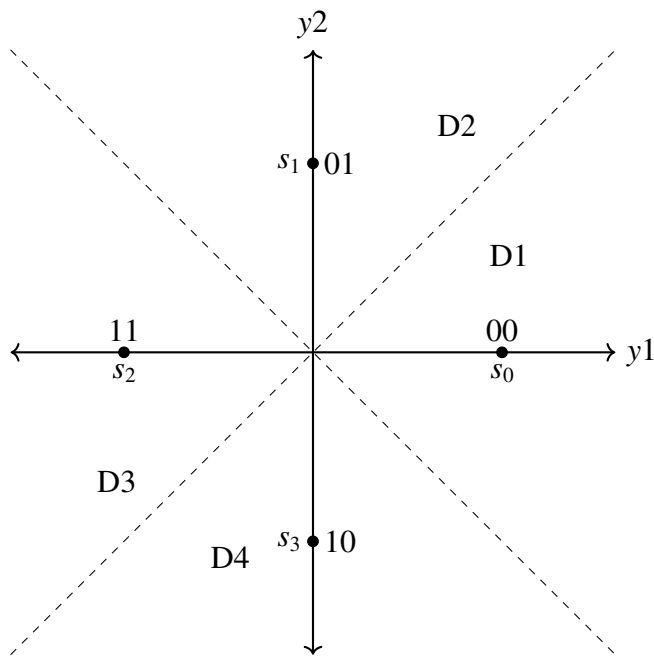


Fig. 3.2.2.1: decision regions

Let \mathbf{r} be the received bits, $\mathbf{r} = [r_1, r_2]$.

$$r_1 = \begin{cases} 0, & \mathbf{y} \in D1 \cup D2 \iff y_1 + y_2 > 0 \\ 1, & \mathbf{y} \in D3 \cup D4 \iff y_1 + y_2 < 0 \end{cases} \quad (3.2.2.1)$$

$$r_2 = \begin{cases} 0, & \mathbf{y} \in D1 \cup D4 \iff y_2 - y_1 < 0 \\ 1, & \mathbf{y} \in D2 \cup D3 \iff y_2 - y_1 > 0 \end{cases} \quad (3.2.2.2)$$

From eq.3.2.2.1 and eq.3.2.2.2

For detecting s_0 , $y_1 > -y_2$ and $y_1 > y_2$.

For detecting s_1 , $y_1 > -y_2$ and $y_1 < y_2$.

For detecting s_2 , $y_1 < -y_2$ and $y_1 < y_2$.

For detecting s_3 , $y_1 < -y_2$ and $y_1 > y_2$.

3.2.3. The following code has simulation of QPSk.

codes/qpsk.py