Need for Modulation

- Modulation: The process of varying a carrier signal to transmit information efficiently.
- Why Modulation is Needed?

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- Reduces antenna size (higher frequency \rightarrow smaller antenna).
- Enables long-distance transmission with minimal loss.
- Avoids signal interference by assigning different frequency bands.
- Enhances signal strength and noise immunity.

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Analog Communication System (Block Diagram)

1st **Information Source** → Provides the original signal.

2nd**Transmitter** → Modulates and amplifies the signal.

3rdChannel → Medium (wired or wireless) carrying the signal.

4th **Receiver** → Demodulates and extracts the original information.

5th **Destination** \rightarrow The final user or output device.

Types of Analog Modulation

- Amplitude Modulation (AM): Varies carrier wave amplitude based on message signal.
- Frequency Modulation (FM): Varies carrier wave frequency based on message signal.
- Phase Modulation (PM): Varies the phase of the carrier wave based on message signal.

Waveform Representation

- AM: Amplitude varies while frequency remains constant.
- FM: Frequency changes but amplitude remains constant.
- **PM**: Phase shift occurs according to the signal.

Comparison of Digital & Analog Communication

Feature Analog Communication Digital Communication

Signal Type Continuous Discrete (0s & 1s)

Noise Immunity Low High Bandwidth Usage More Less

Security Less secure Highly secure
Signal Processing Simple Complex

Digital Communication System (Block Diagram)

1st **Information Source** → Provides digital data.

2ndSource Encoder → Compresses data to remove redundancy.

3rd Channel Encoder → Adds error detection and correction codes.

4th **Modulator** → Converts digital data into a modulated signal.

5th **Channel** → Wired or wireless medium.

6th **Demodulator** \rightarrow Recovers the digital signal at the receiver.

7th **Channel Decoder** → Corrects errors in the received signal.

8th **Source Decoder** → Reconstructs original data.

Electromagnetic Spectrum

- Radio Waves: AM/FM radio, TV signals.
- Microwaves: Mobile communication, satellite links.
- Infrared: Remote controls, thermal imaging.
- Visible Light: Optical communication, fiber optics.
- Ultraviolet (UV): Medical applications, sterilization.
- X-rays & Gamma Rays: Medical imaging, radiation therapy.

Communication Channels

- Wired Channels: Twisted pair cables, coaxial cables, optical fiber.
- Wireless Channels: Radio waves, microwaves, satellite links.

Block Diagram of Communication Systems

1st **Transmitter** → Signal generation, modulation, and transmission.

2nd**Channel** → Medium for signal transfer.

3rd **Receiver** → Demodulation and signal reconstruction.

Satellite Communication

- Uses **geostationary or low-Earth orbit (LEO) satellites** to relay signals.
- Provides global coverage for TV, internet, and military applications.

Cellular Mobile Communication

- Uses multiple interconnected **cell towers** for wireless communication.
- Supports technologies like **2G**, **3G**, **4G**, **5G**.

Fiber Optic Communication System

- Uses **light signals** transmitted through optical fibers.
- Provides high-speed, high-bandwidth, and secure communication.