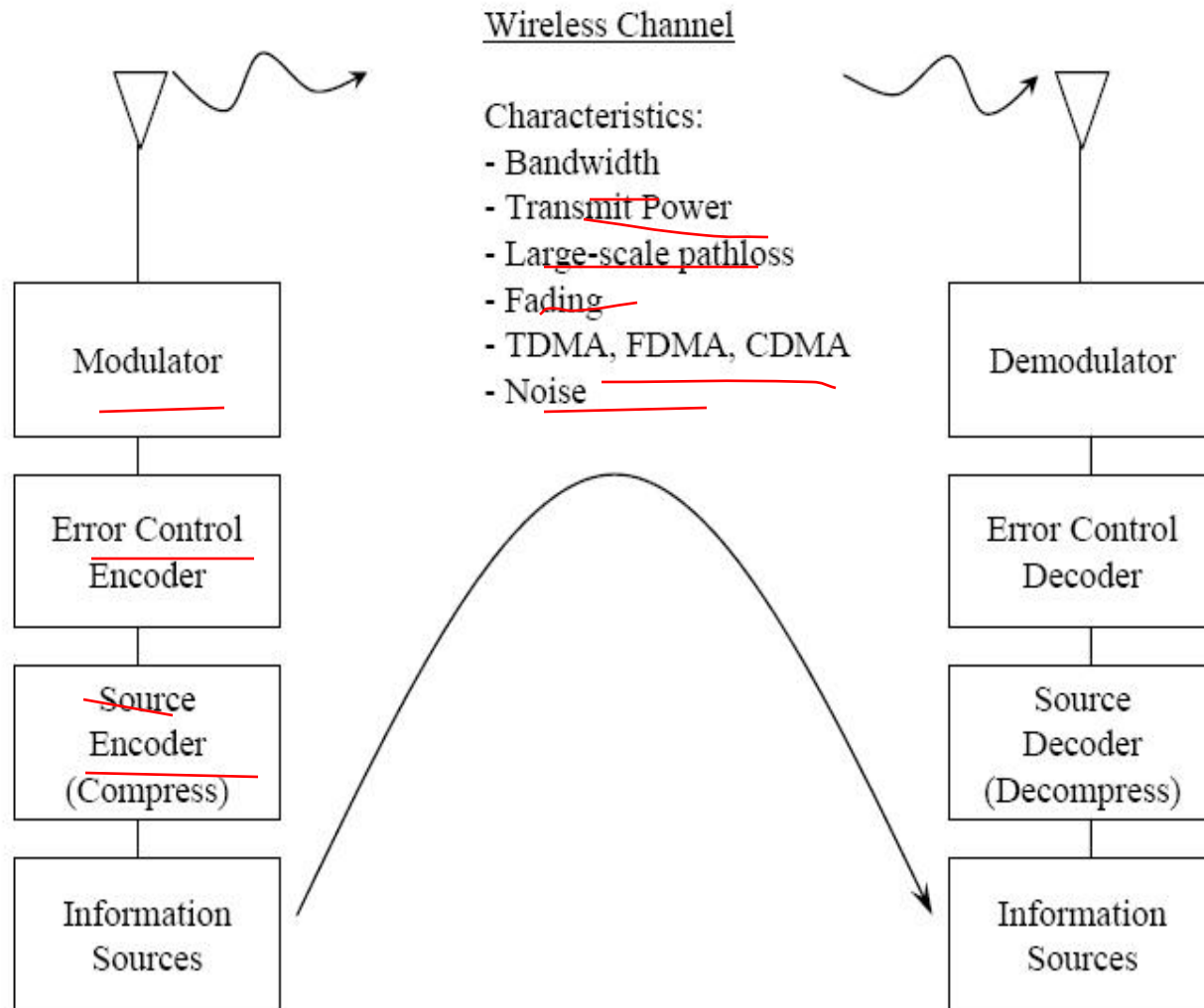




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# Modulation Techniques for Mobile Radio

Here is a picture of the overall wireless transmission and receiving system:





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- Last few weeks:
  - Properties of cellular radio systems
    - Reuse by using cells
    - Clustering and system capacity
    - Handoff strategies
    - Co-Channel Interference
    - Adjacent Channel Interference
    - Trunking and grade of service (GOS)
    - Cell splitting
    - Sectoring



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## □ Electromagnetic propagation properties and hindrances

- Free space path loss
- Large-scale path loss - Reflections, diffraction, scattering
- Multipath propagation
- Doppler shift
- Flat vs. Frequency selective fading
- Slow vs. Fast fading



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□ Now what are we studying?

■ We are looking at modulation and demodulation.



# Introduction

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- Modulation: Encoding information in a baseband signal and then translating (shifting) signal to much higher frequency prior to transmission
- Message signal is detected by observing baseband to the amplitude, frequency, or phase of the signal.
- Our focus is modulation for mobile radio.
- The primary goal is to transport information through the MRC with the best quality (low BER), lowest power & least amount of frequency spectrum
  - Must make tradeoffs between these objectives.



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- ❑ Must overcome difficult impairments introduced by MRC:
    - Fading/multipath
    - Doppler Spread
    - ACI & CCI
  - ❑ Challenging problem of ongoing work that will likely be ongoing for a long time.
    - Since every improvement in modulation methods increases the efficiency in the usage of highly scarce spectrum.

# I. Analog Amplitude and Frequency Modulation

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## □ A. Amplitude Modulation

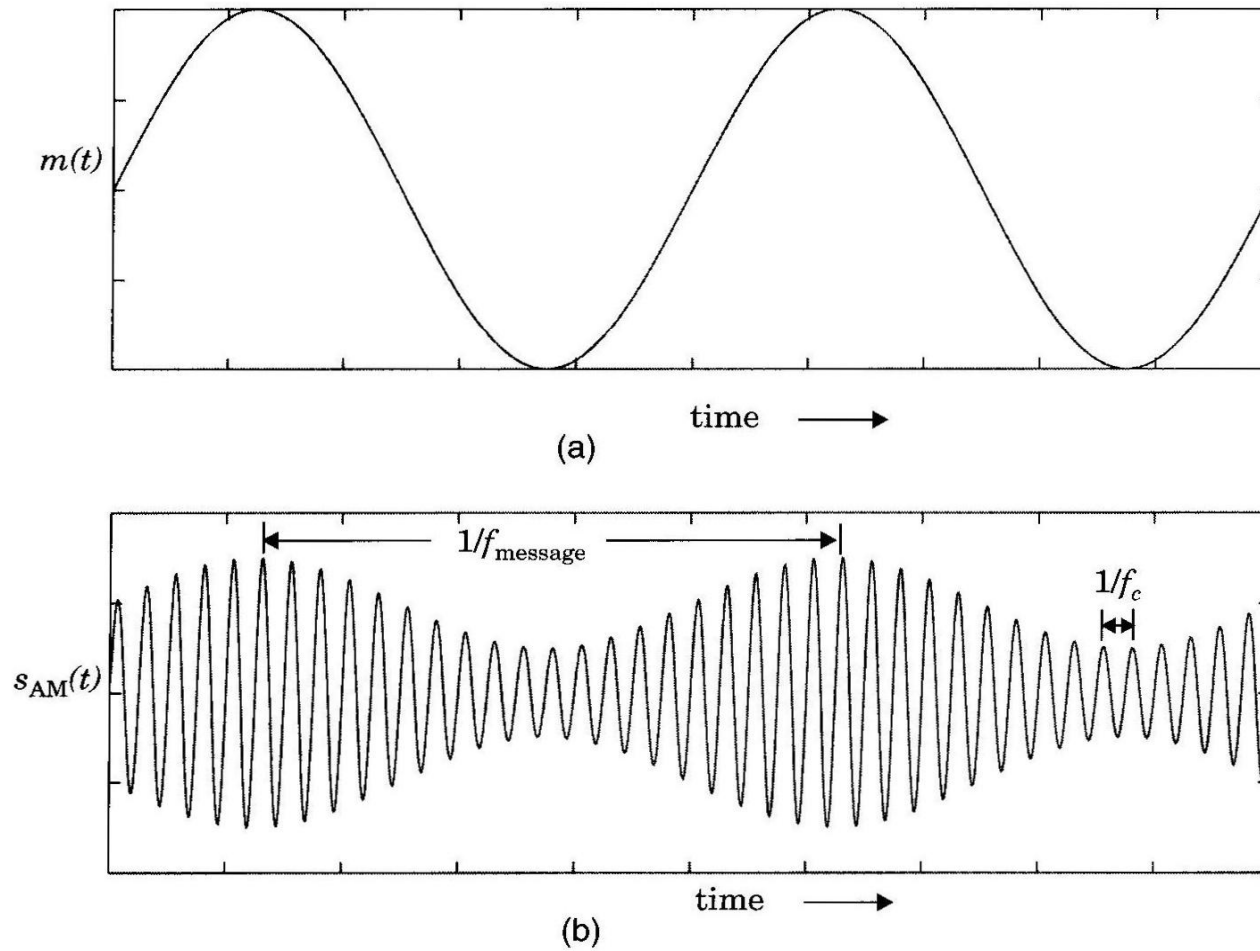
$m(t) \rightarrow$  information signal

$A_c \cos[2\pi f_c t] \rightarrow$  carrier

$f_c \rightarrow$  carrier frequency

$S_{AM}(t) = A_c [1 + m(t)] \cos[2\pi f_c t] \rightarrow$  transmitted signal

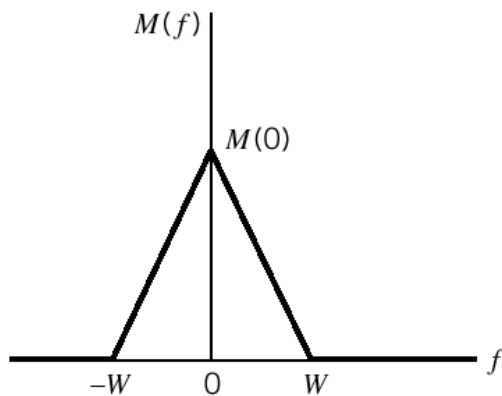




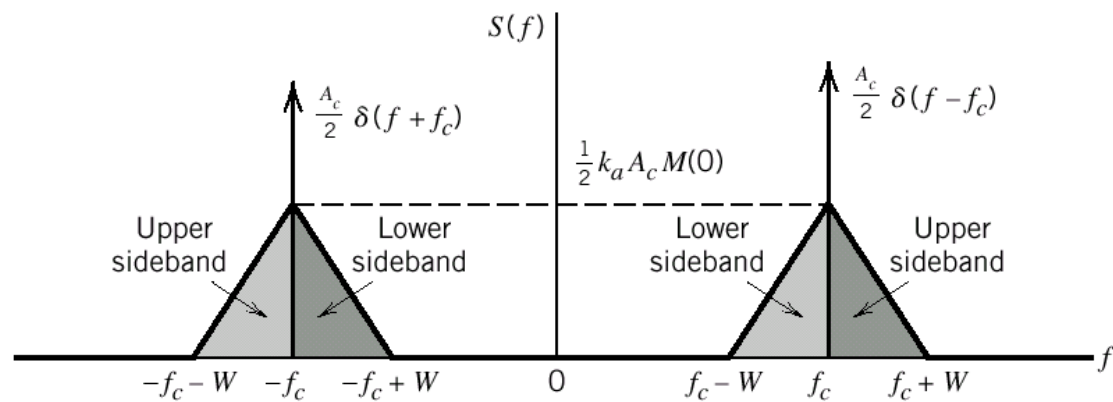
**Figure 6.1** (a) A sinusoidal modulating signal and (b) the corresponding AM signal with modulation index 0.5.

# Spectrum of AM wave

$$S(f) = \frac{A_c}{2} [\delta(f - f_c) + \delta(f + f_c)] + \frac{k_a A_c}{2} [M(f - f_c) + M(f + f_c)]$$



(a)



(b)

Spectrum of baseband signal.

Spectrum of AM wave.



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## ☐ B. Frequency Modulation

- Most widely used form of *Angle* modulation for mobile radio applications
  - ☐ AMPS
  - ☐ Police/Fire/Ambulance Radios
- Generally one form of "angle modulation"
  - ☐ Creates changes in the time varying phase (angle) of the signal.
- Many unique characteristics

- Unlike AM, the amplitude of the FM carrier is kept constant (constant envelope) & the carrier frequency is varied proportional to the modulating signal  $m(t)$  :

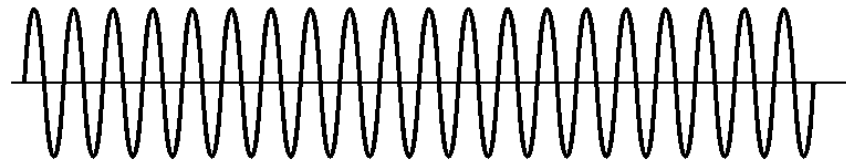
$$S_{FM}(t) = A_c \cos[\theta(t)]$$

$\omega(t)$  = instantaneous angular frequency

$$= \frac{d\theta}{dt} = 2\pi f_c + 2\pi k_f m(t) \quad \leftarrow \text{desired}$$

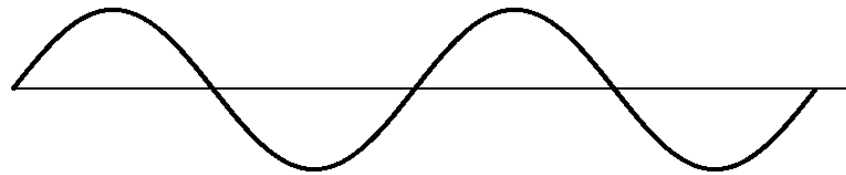
- $f_c$  plus a deviation of  $k_f m(t)$
- $k_f$  : frequency deviation constant (in Hz/V) - defines amount magnitude of allowable frequency change

**(a) Carrier wave.**



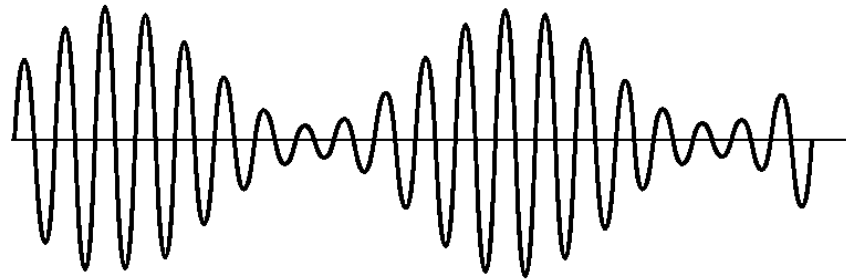
(a)

**(b) Sinusoidal modulating signal.**



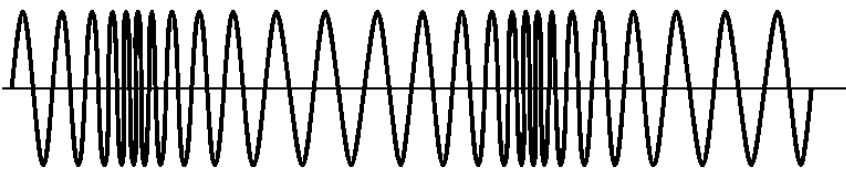
(b)

**(c) Amplitude-modulated signal.**



(c)

**(d) Frequency-modulated signal.**



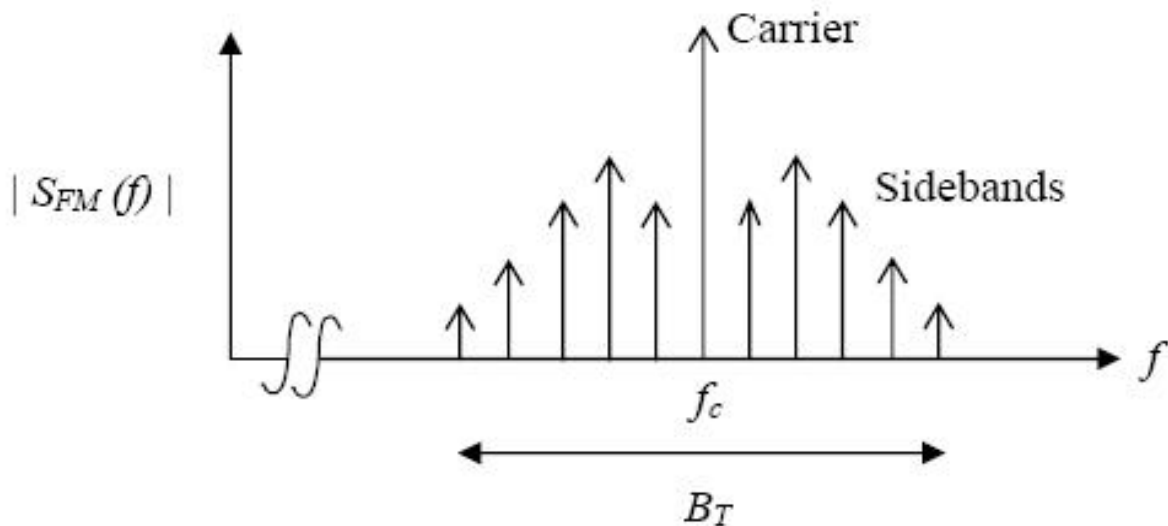
(d)

Time →

□ So

$$S_{FM}(t) = A_c \cos \left( 2\pi f_c t + 2\pi k_f \int_{-\infty}^t m(\eta) d\eta \right)$$

□ FM signal spectrum → carrier + Message  
signal frequency # of sidebands



# FM Bandwidth and Carson's Rule

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□ Frequency Deviation:  $\Delta f = k_f \max |m(t)|$

■ Maximum deviation of  $f_i$  from  $f_c$ :  $f_i = f_c + k_f m(t)$

□ Carson's Rule:

$$B \approx 2\Delta f + 2B_m$$

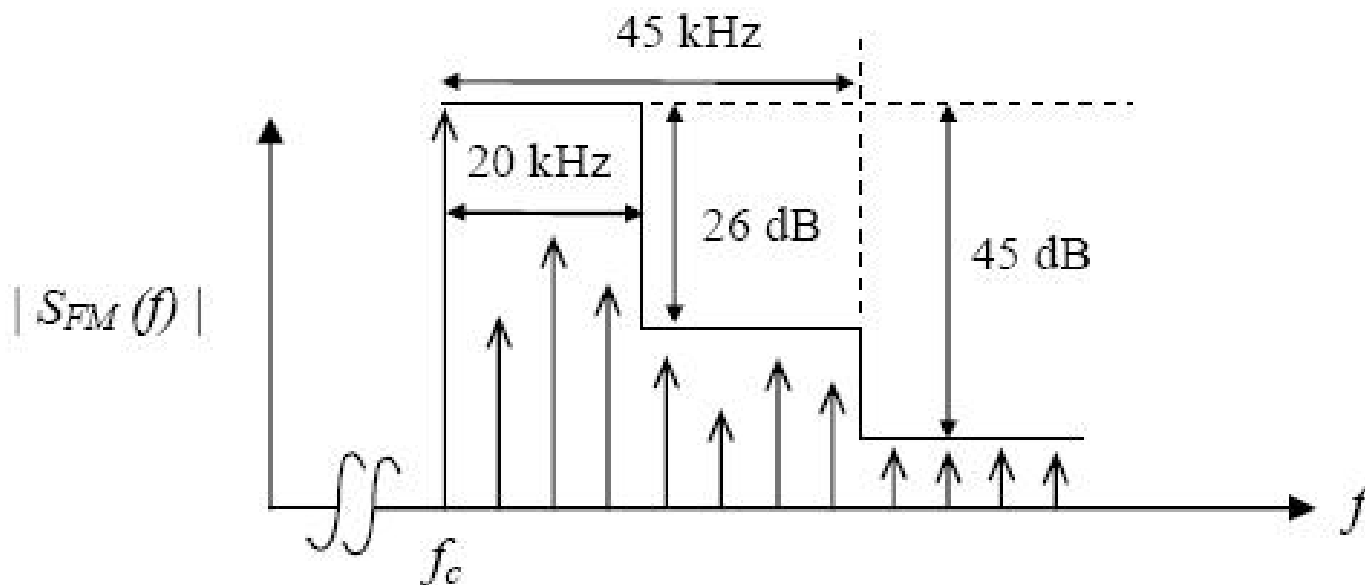
■  $B$  depends on maximum deviation from  $f_c$  and how fast  $f_i$  changes

□ Narrowband FM:  $\Delta f \ll B_m \Rightarrow B \approx 2B_m$

□ Wideband FM:  $\Delta f \gg B_m \Rightarrow B \approx 2\Delta f$

## ■ Example: AMPS

- poor spectral efficiency
- allocated channel BW = 30 kHz
- actual standard uses threshold specifications:







## □ SNR vs. BW tradeoff

- in FM one can increase RF BW to improve SNR:

$SNR_{out}$  = SNR after FM detection

$$\approx \Delta f^3 SNR_{in: FM}$$

$\Delta f$ : peak frequency deviation of Tx the frequency domain

- rapid non-linear,  $\Delta f^3$  improvement in output signal quality ( $SNR_{out}$ ) for increases in  $\Delta f$ 
  - “capture effect”: FM Rx *rejects* the weaker of the two FM signals (one with smaller  $SNR_{in}$ ) in the same RF BW  $\rightarrow \therefore$  resistant to CCI
  - Increased  $\Delta f$  requires increasing the bandwidth and spectral occupancy of the signal
  - must exceed the threshold of the FM detector, which means that typically  $SNR_{in} \geq 10$  dB (called the capture threshold)



## II. Digital Modulation

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- ☐ Better performance and more cost effective than analog modulation methods (AM, FM, etc.)
- ☐ Used in modern cellular systems
- ☐ Advancements in VLSI, DSP, etc. have made digital solutions practical and affordable



## □ Performance advantages:

- 1) Resistant to noise, fading, & interference
- 2) Can combine multiple information types (voice, data, & video) in a **single** transmission channel
- 3) Improved security (e.g., encryption) → deters phone cloning + eavesdropping
- 4) Error coding is used to detect/correct transmission errors
- 5) Signal conditioning can be used to combat hostile MRC environment
- 6) Can implement mod/dem functions using DSP software (instead of hardware circuits).



## □ Choice of digital modulation scheme

- Many types of digital modulation methods → subtle differences
- Performance factors to consider
  - 1) low Bit Error Rate (BER) at low S/N
  - 2) resistance to interference (ACI & CCI) & multipath fading
  - 3) occupying a minimum amount of BW
  - 4) easy and cheap to implement in mobile unit
  - 5) efficient use of battery power in mobile unit



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- No existing modulation scheme simultaneously satisfies all of these requirements well.
  - Each one is better in some areas with tradeoffs of being worse in others.



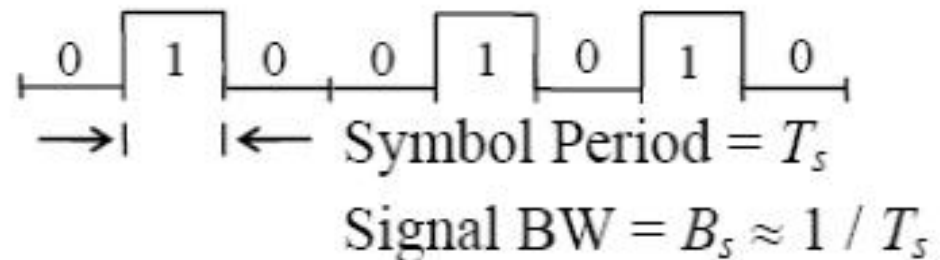
- **Power Efficiency** →  $\eta_p$  : ability of a modulation technique to preserve the quality of digital messages at *low power levels* (low SNR)
  - Specified as  $E_b/N_o$  @ some BER (e.g.  $10^{-5}$ ) where  $E_b$  : energy/bit and  $N_o$  : noise power/bit
  - Tradeoff between *fidelity* and *signal power* →  
BER ↑ as  $E_b/N_o$  ↓

□ **Bandwidth Efficiency**  $\rightarrow \eta_B$  : ability of a modulation technique to accommodate data in a *limited BW*

■  $\eta_B = \frac{R}{B}$  bps/Hz       $R$  : data rate     $B$  : RF BW

■ Tradeoff between data rate and occupied BW  
 $\rightarrow$  as  $R \uparrow$ , then BW  $\uparrow$

■ For a digital signal :



□  $R \propto \frac{1}{T_s} \propto B \rightarrow$  so as  $R \uparrow$ ,  $T_s \downarrow$  and  $B \uparrow$





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- each pulse or “symbol” having  $m$  finite states represents  $n = \log_2 m$  bits/symbol →
    - e.g.  $m = 0$  or  $1$  (2 states) → 1 bit/symbol (binary)
    - e.g.  $m = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6,$  or  $7$  (8 states) → 3 bits/symbol

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- ❑ Implementation example: A system is changed from binary to 2-ary.
    - Before: "0" = - 1 Volt, "1" = 1 Volt
    - Now  
"0" = - 1 Volt, "1" = - 0.33 volts, "2" = 0.33 Volts, "3" = 1 Volt
    - What would be the new data rate compared to the old data rate if the symbol period were kept constant?
  - ❑ In general, called M-ary keying

## □ Maximum BW efficiency → Shannon's Theorem

- Most famous result in communication theory.

- $$\eta_{B_{\max}} = \frac{C}{B} = \log_2 \left( 1 + \frac{S}{N} \right) \quad \text{where}$$

- $B$  : RF BW

- $C$  : channel capacity (bps) of real data (not retransmissions or errors)

- To produce error-free transmission, some of the bit rate will be taken up using retransmissions or extra bits for error control purposes.

- As noise power  $N$  increases, the bit rate would still be the same, but max  $\eta_{B_{\max}}$  decreases.

- So  $C_{\max} = B \log_2 \left( 1 + \frac{S}{N} \right)$
- note that  $C \propto B$  (expected) but also  $C \propto S/N$ 
  - an increase in signal power translates to an increase in channel capacity
  - lower bit error rates from higher power  $\rightarrow$  more real data
  - large  $S/N \rightarrow$  easier to differentiate between multiple signal states ( $m$ ) in one symbol  $\therefore n \uparrow$
- $\max \eta_{B_{\max}}$  is fundamental limit that cannot be achieved in practice



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- People try to find schemes that correct for errors.
  - People are starting to refer to certain types of codes as “capacity approaching codes”, since they say they are getting close to obtaining  $C_{max}$ .
    - More on this in the chapter on error control.



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### Example 6.6

If the SNR of a wireless communication link is 20 dB and the RF bandwidth is 30 kHz, determine the maximum theoretical data rate that can be transmitted.

### Solution

Given:

$$S/N = 20 \text{ dB} = 100$$

RF Bandwidth  $B = 30000 \text{ Hz}$

Using Shannon's channel capacity formula (6.37), the maximum possible data rate

$$C = B \log_2 \left( 1 + \frac{S}{N} \right) = 30000 \log_2 (1 + 100) = 199.75 \text{ kbps}$$

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### Example 6.7

What is the theoretical maximum data rate that can be supported in a 200 kHz channel for  $SNR = 10$  dB, 30 dB. How does this compare to the GSM standard described in Chapter 1?

### Solution

For  $SNR = 10$  dB = 10,  $B = 200$  kHz.

Using Shannon's channel capacity formula (6.37), the maximum possible data rate

$$C = B \log_2 \left( 1 + \frac{S}{N} \right) = 200000 \log_2 (1 + 10) = 691.886 \text{ kbps}$$

The GSM data rate is 270.833 kbps, which is only about 40% of the theoretical limit for 10 dB SNR conditions.

For  $SNR = 30$  dB = 1000,  $B = 200$  kHz.

The maximum possible data rate

$$C = B \log_2 \left( 1 + \frac{S}{N} \right) = 200000 \log_2 (1 + 1000) = 1.99 \text{ Mbps.}$$

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☐ Fundamental tradeoff between  $\eta_B$  and  $\eta_p$  (in general)

■ If  $\eta_B$  improves then  $\eta_p$  deteriorates (or vice versa)

☐ May need to waste more power to get a better data rate.

☐ May need to use less power (to save on battery life) at the expense of a lower data rate.

■  $\eta_p$  vs.  $\eta_B$  is not the only consideration.

☐ Use other factors to evaluate → complexity, resistance to MRC impairments, etc.



## □ Bandwidth Specifications

- Many definitions depending on application → all use **Power Spectral Density (PSD)** of modulated bandpass signal

$$S_W(f) = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{|W_T(f)|^2}{T} \right)$$

- Many signals (like square pulses) have some power at all frequencies.



# Why Carrier?

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- Effective radiation of EM waves requires antenna dimensions comparable with the wavelength:
  - Antenna for 3 kHz would be ~100 km long
  - Antenna for 3 GHz carrier is 10 cm long
- Sharing the access to the telecommunication channel resources

# Modulation Process

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$$f = f(a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n, t) \text{ (= carrier)}$$

$a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n$  (= modulation parameters)

$t$  (= time)

- ❑ Modulation implies varying one or more characteristics (modulation parameters  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$ ) of a carrier  $f$  in accordance with the information-bearing (modulating) baseband signal.
- ❑ Sinusoidal waves, pulse train, square wave, etc. can be used as carriers

# Continuous Carrier

Carrier:  $A \sin[\omega t + \varphi]$

- $A = \text{const}$
- $\omega = \text{const}$
- $\varphi = \text{const}$

☐ Amplitude modulation (AM)

- $A = A(t)$  – carries information
- $\omega = \text{const}$
- $\varphi = \text{const}$

☐ Frequency modulation (FM)

- $A = \text{const}$
- $\omega = \omega(t)$  – carries information
- $\varphi = \text{const}$

☐ Phase modulation (PM)

- $A = \text{const}$
- $\omega = \text{const}$
- $\varphi = \varphi(t)$  – carries information



# Basic Concepts

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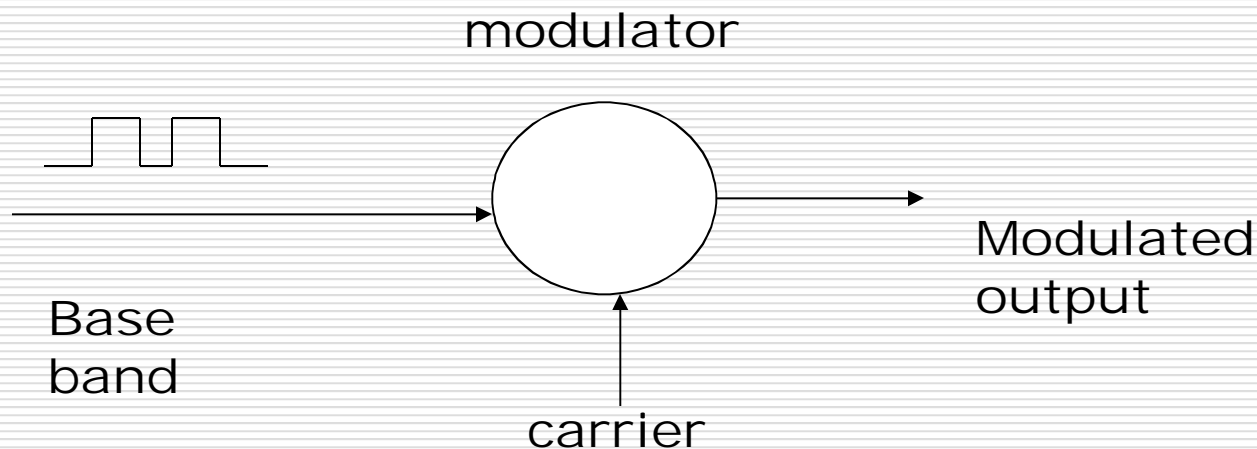
□ The basic form of 3 different digital modulation methods used for transmitting digital signals methods are:

- Amplitude Shift Keying
- Frequency Shift Keying
- Phase Shift Keying

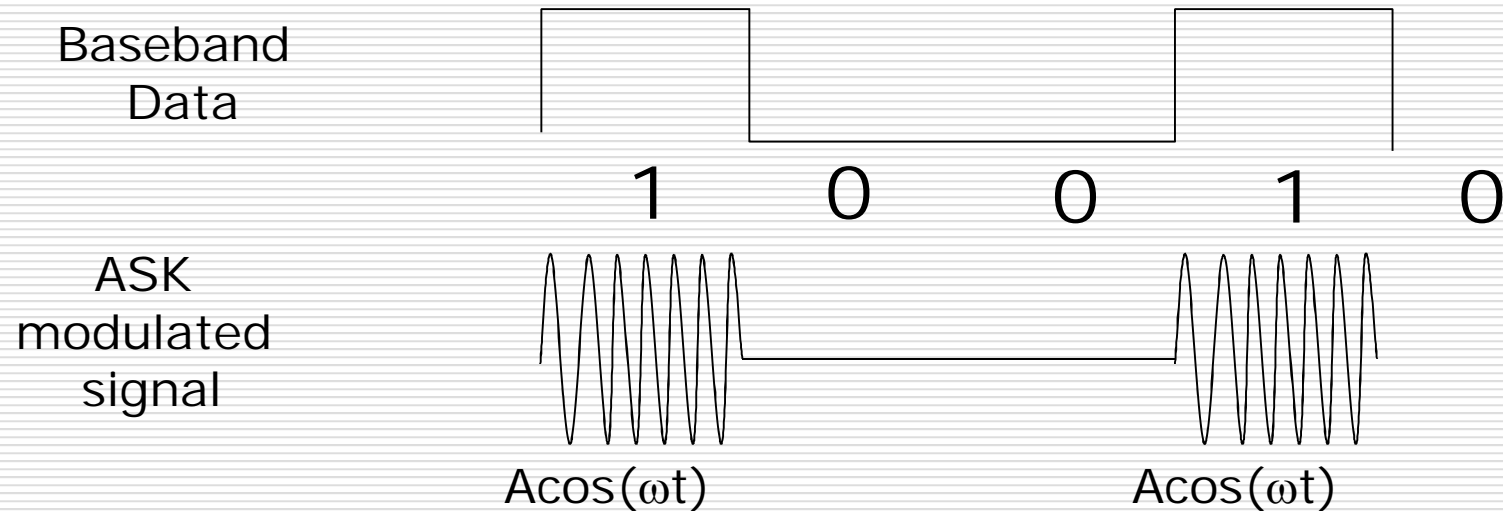
# Digital Modulation methods

## □ Amplitude Shift Keying (ASK)

- The amplitude of the carrier is varied in accordance with the amplitude of the modulating signal



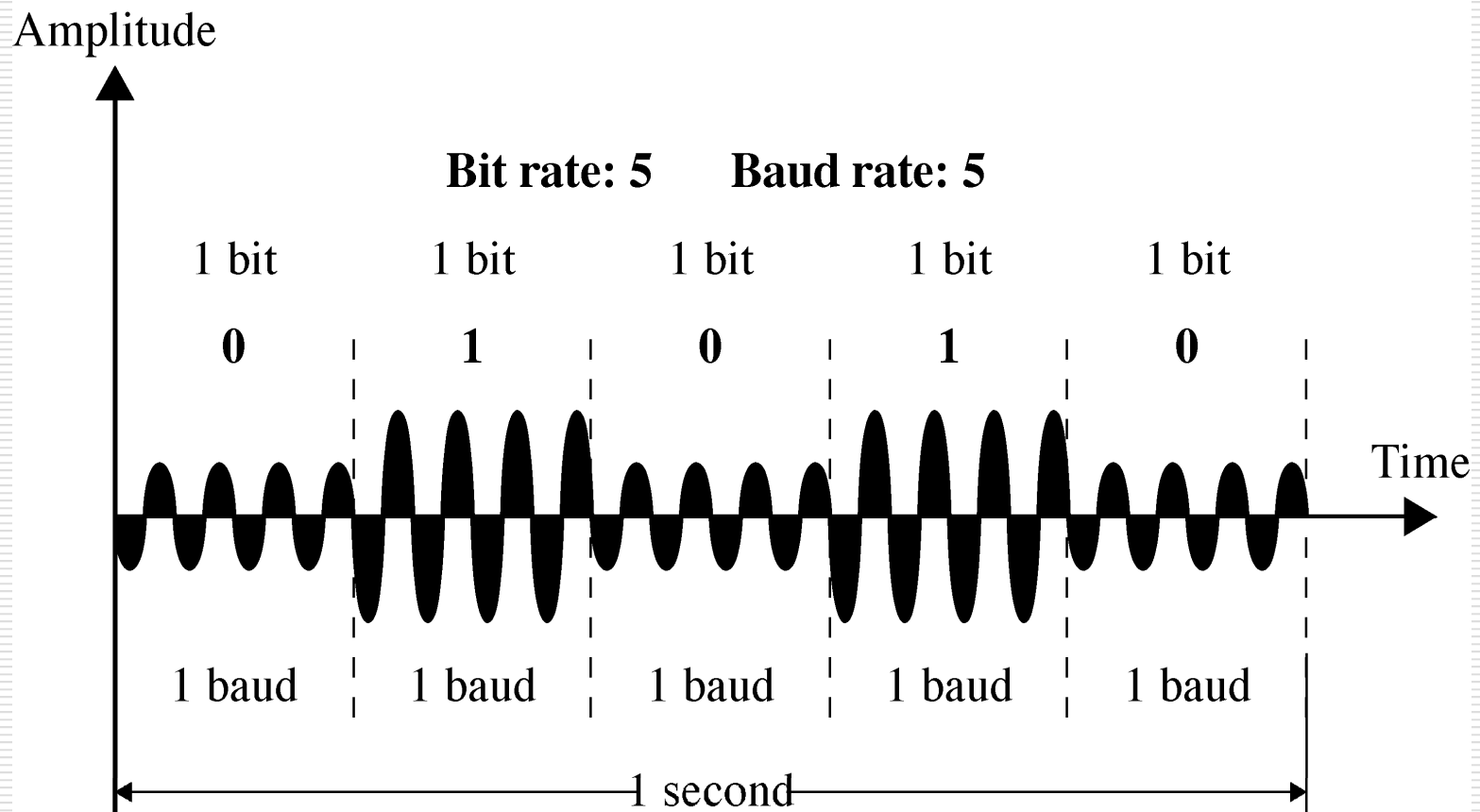
# Amplitude Shift Keying (ASK)



- ☐ Pulse shaping can be employed to remove spectral spreading
- ☐ ASK demonstrates poor performance, as it is heavily affected by noise, fading, and interference



# ASK

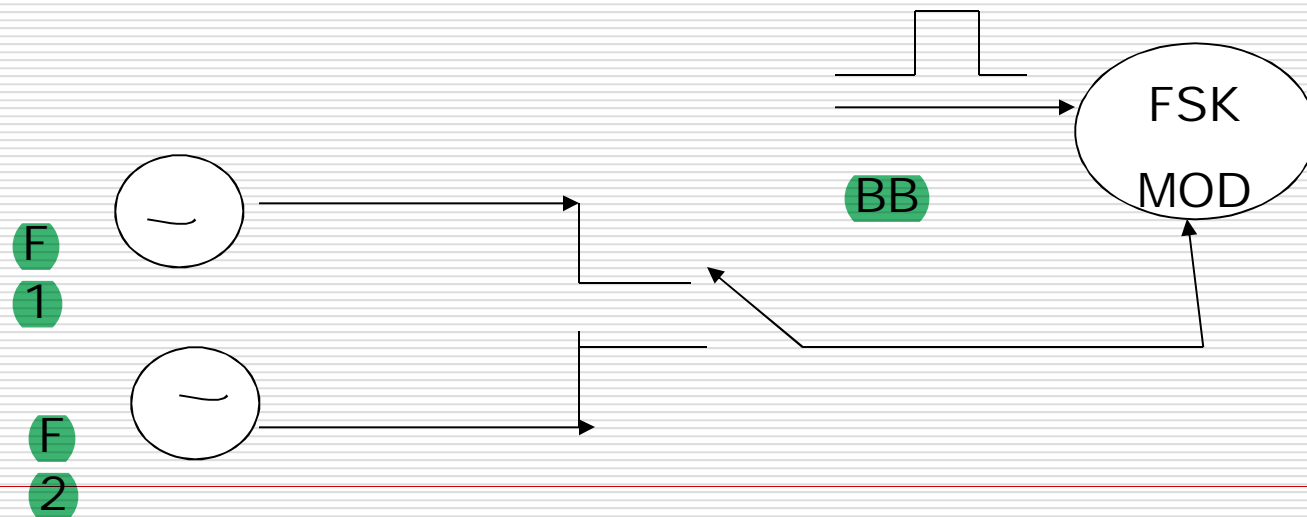




# Digital Modulation methods

## □ Frequency Shift Keying

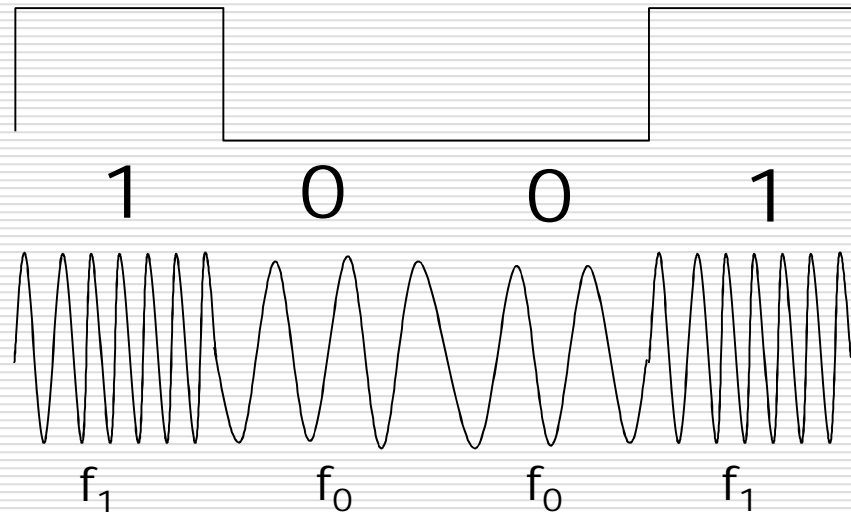
- Frequency of the carrier is varied in accordance with the amplitude of the modulating signal and the carrier amplitude remains constant.



# Frequency Shift Keying (FSK)

Baseband  
Data

BFSK  
modulated  
signal

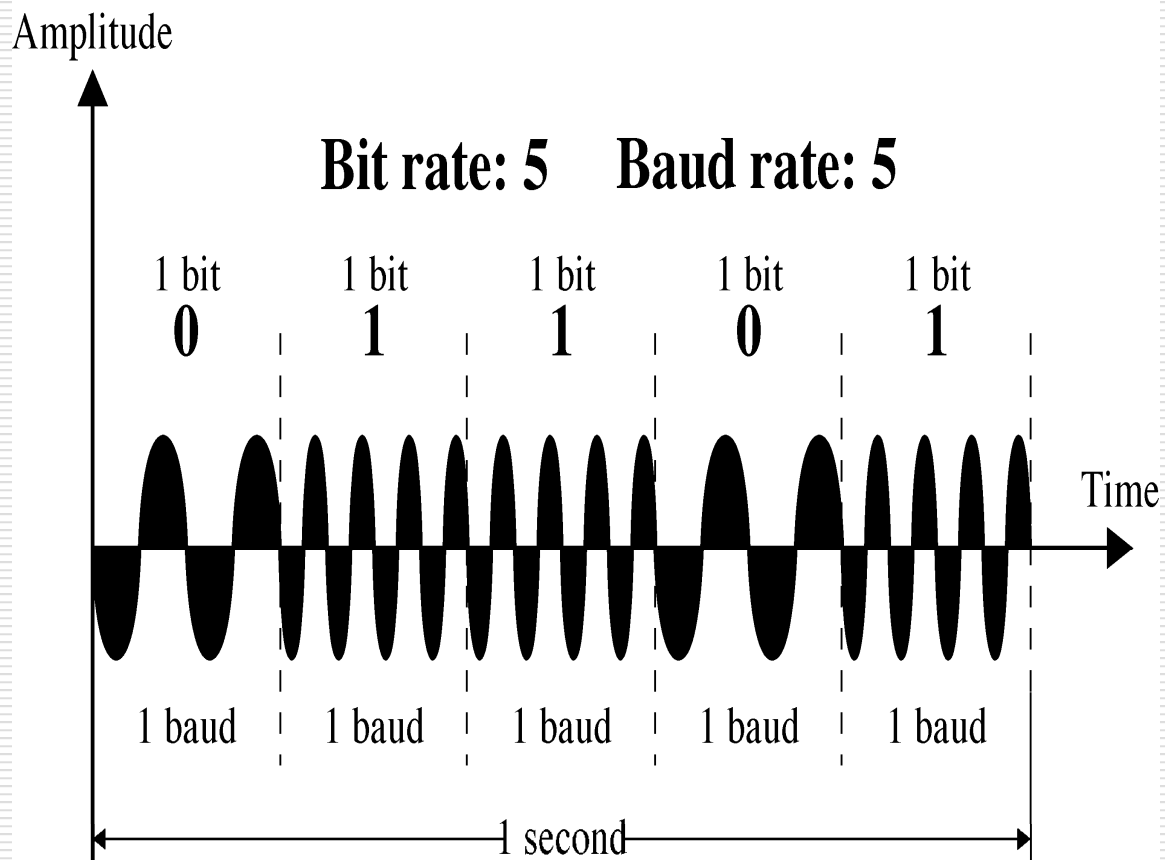


where  $f_0 = A \cos(\omega_c - \Delta\omega)t$  and  $f_1 = A \cos(\omega_c + \Delta\omega)t$

- Example: The ITU-T V.21 modem standard uses FSK
- FSK can be expanded to a M-ary scheme, employing multiple frequencies as different states



# FSK





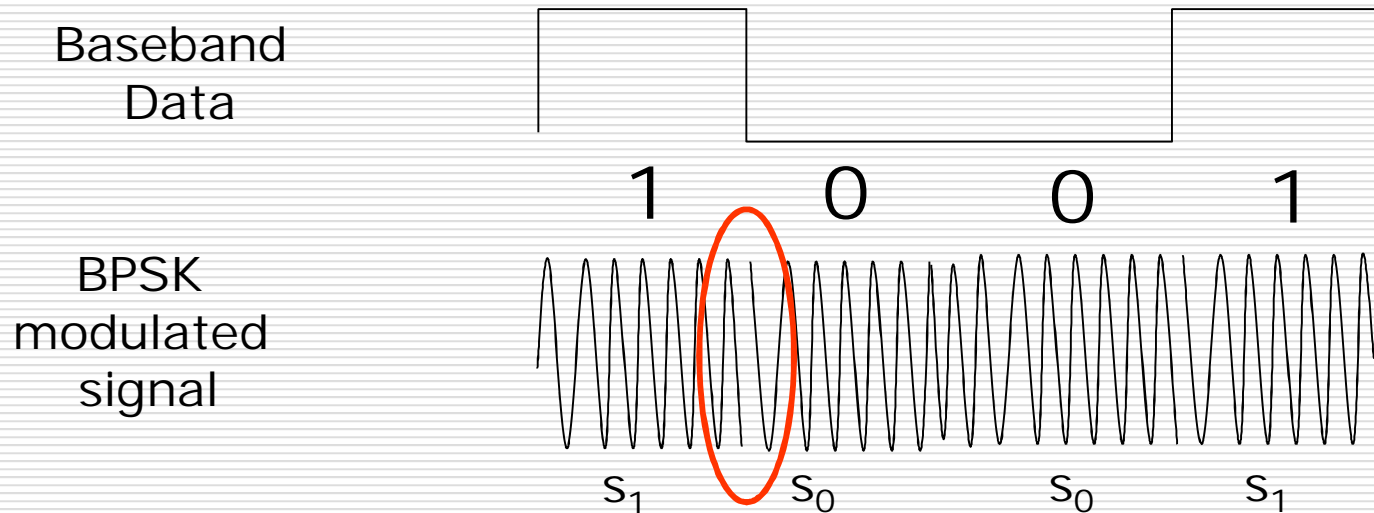
# Digital Modulation methods

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## PHASE SHIFT KEYING

- ☐ The phase of the carrier is varied in accordance with the information.
- ☐ PSK is divided into two level and multilevel systems (M-ary schemes).

# Phase Shift Keying (PSK)

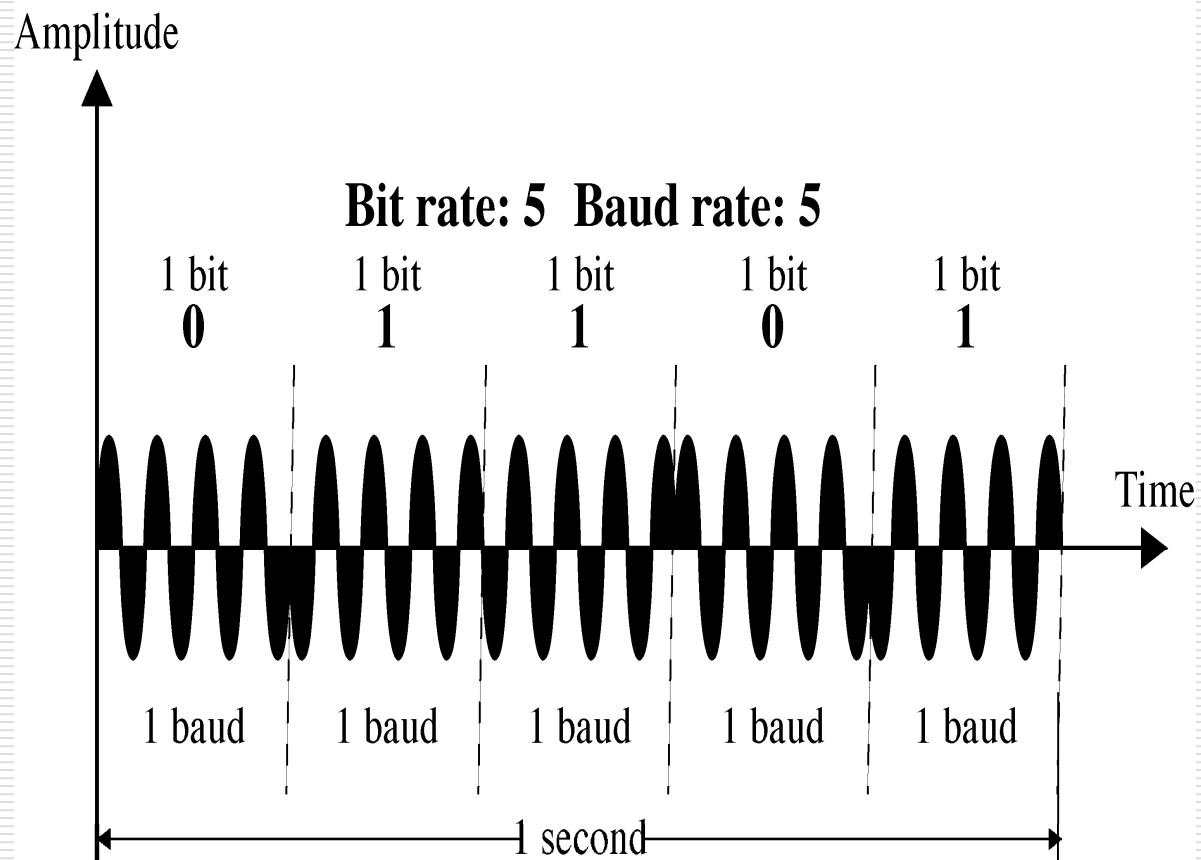


where  $s_0 = -A\cos(\omega_c t)$  and  $s_1 = A\cos(\omega_c t)$

- Major drawback – rapid amplitude change between symbols due to phase discontinuity, which requires infinite bandwidth. Binary Phase Shift Keying (BPSK) demonstrates better performance than ASK and BFSK
- BPSK can be expanded to a M-ary scheme, employing multiple phases and amplitudes as different states



# PSK





# Differential Modulation

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- ❑ In the transmitter, each symbol is modulated relative to the previous symbol and modulating signal, for instance in BPSK  
 $0 = \text{no change}, \quad 1 = +180^\circ$
- ❑ In the receiver, the current symbol is demodulated using the previous symbol as a reference.
- ❑ The previous symbol serves as an estimate of the channel. A no-change condition causes the modulated signal to remain at the same 0 or 1 state of the previous symbol.



# DPSK

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- ☐ Differential modulation is theoretically 3dB poorer than coherent. This is because the differential system has 2 sources of error: a corrupted symbol, and a corrupted reference (the previous symbol)
- ☐ DPSK = Differential phase-shift keying:
  - In the transmitter, each symbol is modulated relative to
    - ☐ (a) the phase of the immediately preceding signal element and
    - ☐ (b) the data being transmitted.





# PSK Generalities--Symbols Bits & Bauds

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**Bit** – Refers to the unit of information.

**Bit rate** is the frequency of a system bit stream.

**Symbol** – Refers to the unit of transmission energy.

--Representation of bits that the medium transmits to convey information.

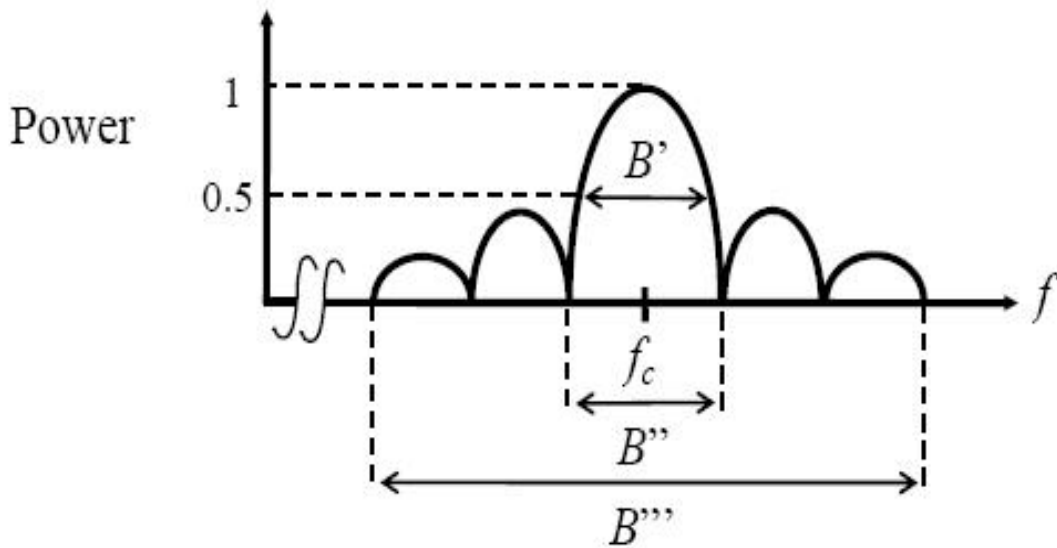
-- A symbol can contain one or more bits

Bits are transmitted in the form of Symbols.

***Symbol rate*** = *bit rate*

*the number of bits transmitted with each symbol*

**Baud** – Rate of change of symbols is known as Baud Rate.



- ☐  $B'$  : half-power (-3 dB) BW
- ☐  $B''$  : null-to-null BW
- ☐  $B'''$  : absolute BW  
→ range where PSD > 0
- ☒ FCC definition of occupied BW → BW contains 99% of signal power

### III. Geometric Representation of Modulation Signal

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#### ☐ Geometric Representation of Modulation Signals - Constellation Diagrams

- Graphical representation of complex (  $A$  &  $\theta$  ) digital modulation types

- ☐ Provide insight into modulation performance

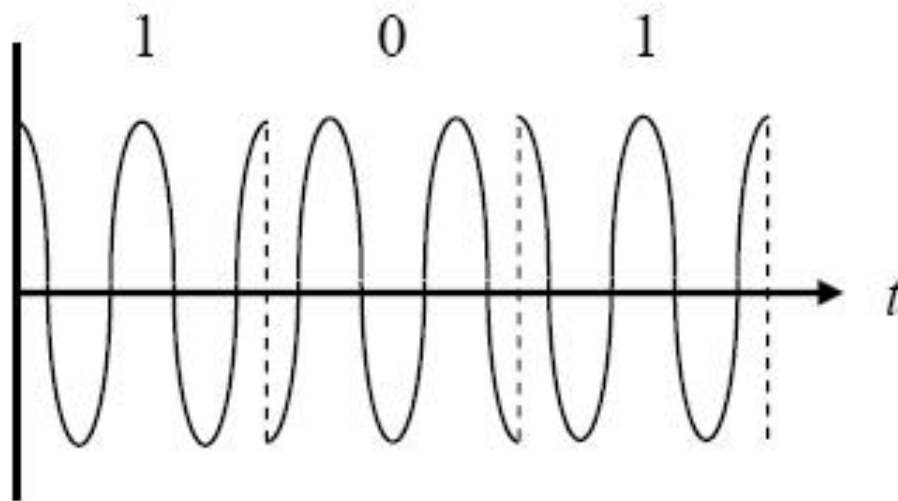
- Modulation set,  $S$ , with  $M$  possible signals

$$S = \{ S_1(t), S_2(t), \dots S_M(t) \}$$

- ☐ Binary modulation  $\rightarrow M = 2 \rightarrow$  each signal = 1 bit of information
- ☐  $M$ -ary modulation  $\rightarrow M > 2 \rightarrow$  each signal  $> 1$  bit of information

## □ Example: Binary Phase Shift Keying (BPSK)

$$S_1(t) = \sqrt{\frac{2E_b}{T_b}} \cos(2\pi f_c t) \quad \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq T_b$$
$$S_2(t) = -\sqrt{\frac{2E_b}{T_b}} \cos(2\pi f_c t)$$



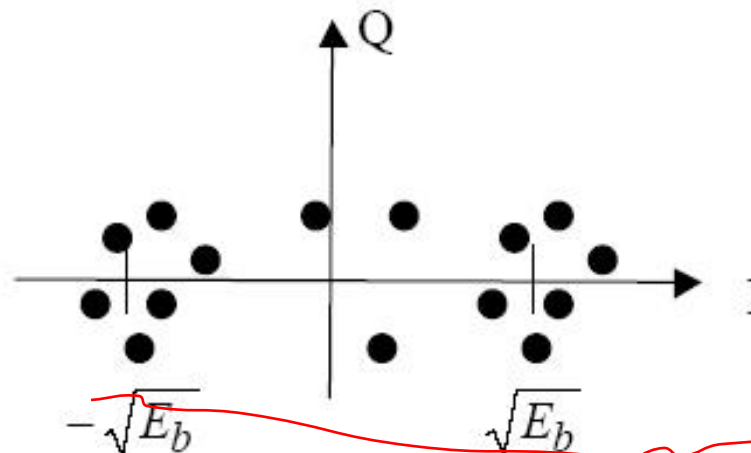
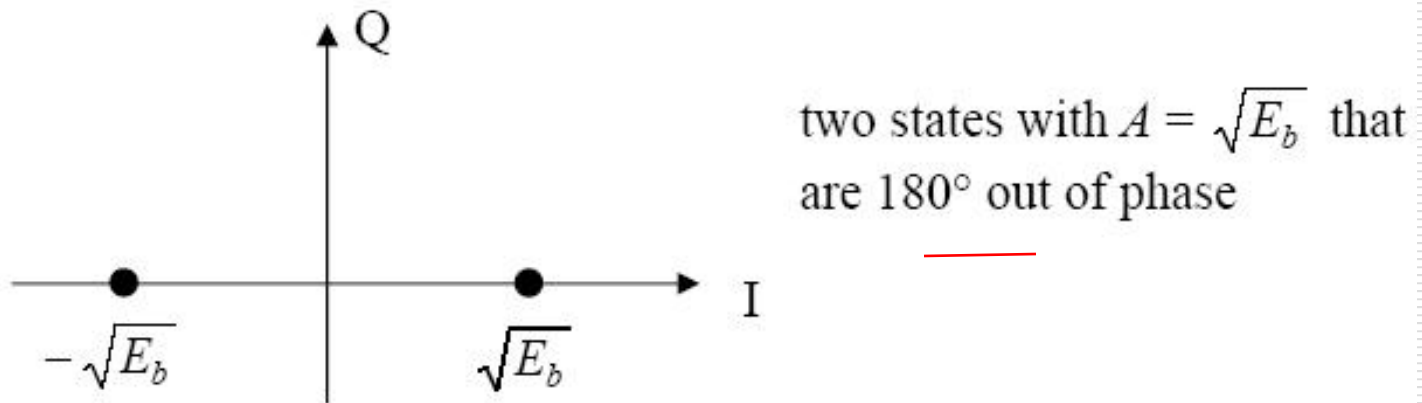
- Phase change between bits  $\rightarrow$  Phase shifts of  $180^\circ$  for each bit.
- Note that this can also be viewed as AM with +/- amplitude changes

- Let  $\phi_1(t) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{T_b}} \cos(2\pi f_c t) \rightarrow$  basis signal

$$S_{BPSK} = \{\sqrt{E_b} \phi_1(t), -\sqrt{E_b} \phi_1(t)\}$$

- Dimension of the vector space is the # of basis signals required to represent  $S$ .

- Plot amplitude & phase of  $S$  in vector space :



Actual received values as influenced by additive noise

## □ Constellation diagram properties :

1) Distance between signals is related to differences in modulation waveforms

□ Large distance → “sparse” → easy to discriminate → good BER @ low SNR ( $E_b / N_o$ )

□ From above, noise of  $-2\sqrt{E_b}$  added to  $\sqrt{E_b}$  would make the received signal look like  $s_2(t)$  → error.

□ From  $\sqrt{E_b}$ , noise of  $> -\sqrt{E_b}$  would make the result closer to  $-\sqrt{E_b}$  and would make the decoder choose  $s_2(t)$  → error.

∴ Above example is **Power Efficient** (related to density with respect to # states/ $N$ )

## 2) Occupied BW ↓ as # signal states ↑

- If we can represent more bits per symbol, then we need less BW for a given data rate.
- Small separation → “dense” → more signal states/symbol → more information/Hz !!

**∴ Bandwidth Efficient**



## IV. Linear Modulation Methods

- ❑ In linear modulation techniques, the amplitude of the transmitted signal varies linearly with the modulating digital signal.
- ❑ Performance is evaluated with respect to  $E_b/N_o$

$$E_b = \text{signal energy per bit}$$

$$= \int_{\text{over one bit time}}^{\text{power}} dt = \int_0^{T_b} s^2(t) dt$$

where  $s(t)$  is the transmitted signal (assuming voltage across a  $1\Omega$  resistor)

If  $s(t) = A_c$  for  $0 \leq t \leq T_b$ , then  $E_b = A_c^2 T_b$ .

If  $s(t) = A_c \cos(2\pi \frac{1}{T_b} t)$  for  $0 \leq t \leq T_b$ , then  $E_b = \frac{1}{2} A_c^2 T_b$  so  $A_c = \sqrt{\frac{2E_b}{T_b}}$

# BPSK

□ BPSK → Binary Phase Shift Keying

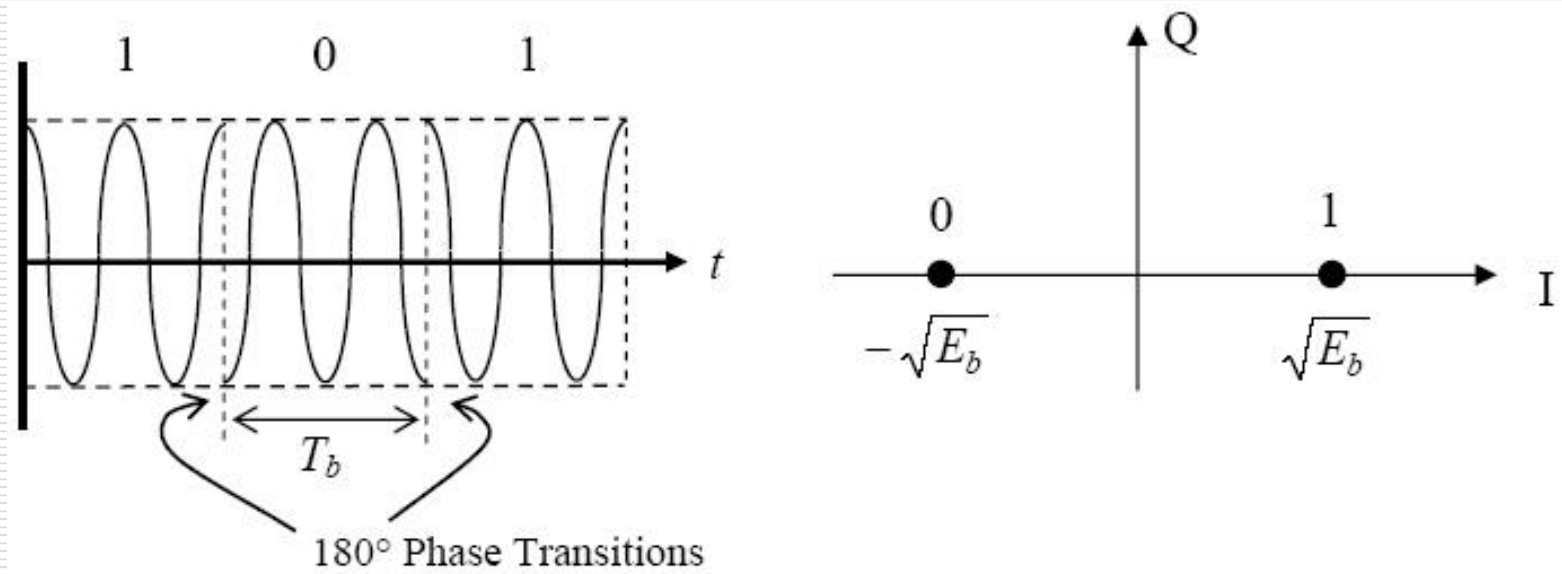
$$S_{BPSK} = \pm A_c \cos(2\pi f_c t + \theta_0) = \pm \sqrt{\frac{2E_b}{T_b}} \cos(2\pi f_c t + \theta_0)$$

$$\text{or} = \sqrt{\frac{2E_b}{T_b}} \cos(2\pi f_c t + \theta_0 + i\pi), i = \{0,1\}$$

$$S_{BPSK} = \pm \sqrt{E_b} \phi_1(t) \quad \text{where} \quad \phi_1(t) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{T_b}} \cos(2\pi f_c t + \theta_0)$$

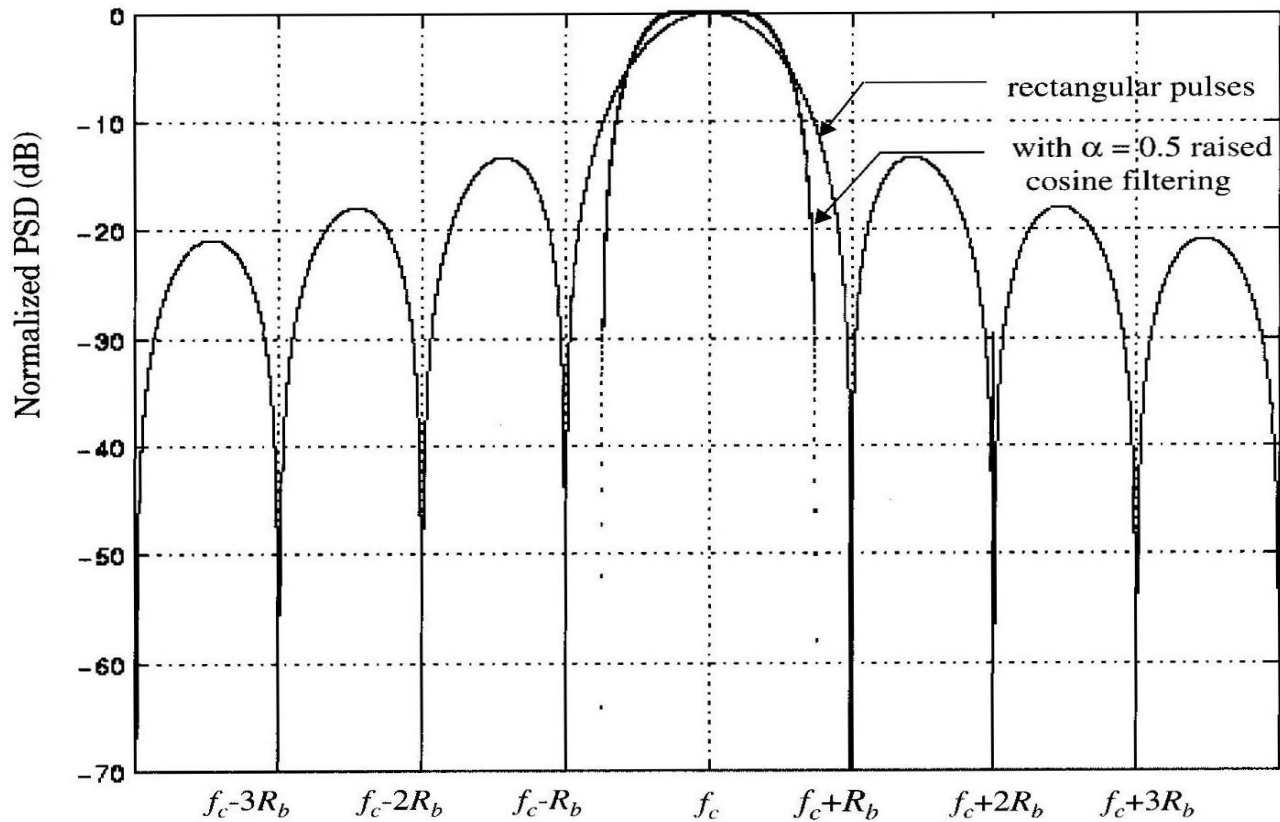
“+” = “1” and “-” = “0”

→  $\phi_1(t)$  = basis function



- Phase transitions force carrier amplitude to change from “+” to “-”.
- Amplitude varies in time

# BPSK RF signal BW



**Figure 6.22** Power spectral density (PSD) of a BPSK signal.

- Null-to-null RF BW =  $2 R_b = 2 / T_b$
- 90% BW =  $1.6 R_b$  for rectangular pulses

□ Probability of Bit Error is proportional to the distance between the closest points in the constellation.

- A simple upper bound can be found using the assumption that noise is additive, white, and Gaussian.

$$\text{Prob}\{\text{bit error}\} \leq Q\left(\frac{d}{\sqrt{2N_0}}\right)$$

- $d$  is distance between nearest constellation points.

- $Q(x)$  is the Q-function, the area under a normalized Gaussian function (also called a Normal curve or a bell curve)

$$Q(z) = \int_z^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-y^2/2} dy$$

- Appendix F, Fig. F.1
- Fig. F.2, plot of Q-function
- Tabulated values in Table F.1.

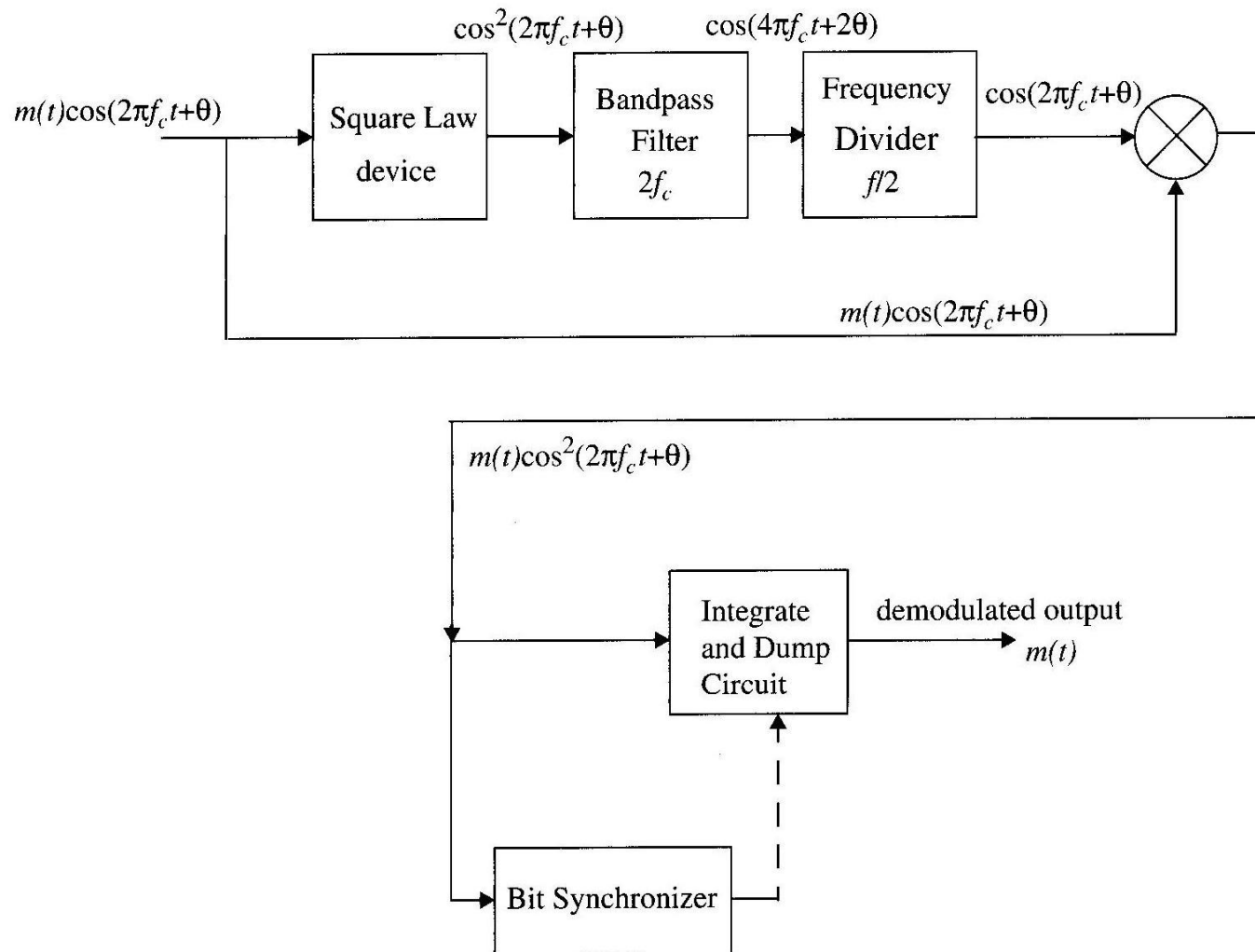
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$$d = 2\sqrt{E_b} \quad \text{so} \quad \text{Prob}\{\text{bit error}\} \leq Q\left(\sqrt{\frac{2E_b}{N_0}}\right)$$



## ☐ Demodulation in Rx

- Requires reference of Tx signal in order to properly determine phase
  - ☐ carrier must be transmitted along with signal
- Called Synchronous or “Coherent” detection
  - ☐ complex & costly Rx circuitry
  - ☐ good BER performance for low SNR → power efficient



**Figure 6.23** BPSK receiver with carrier recovery circuits.





# DPSK

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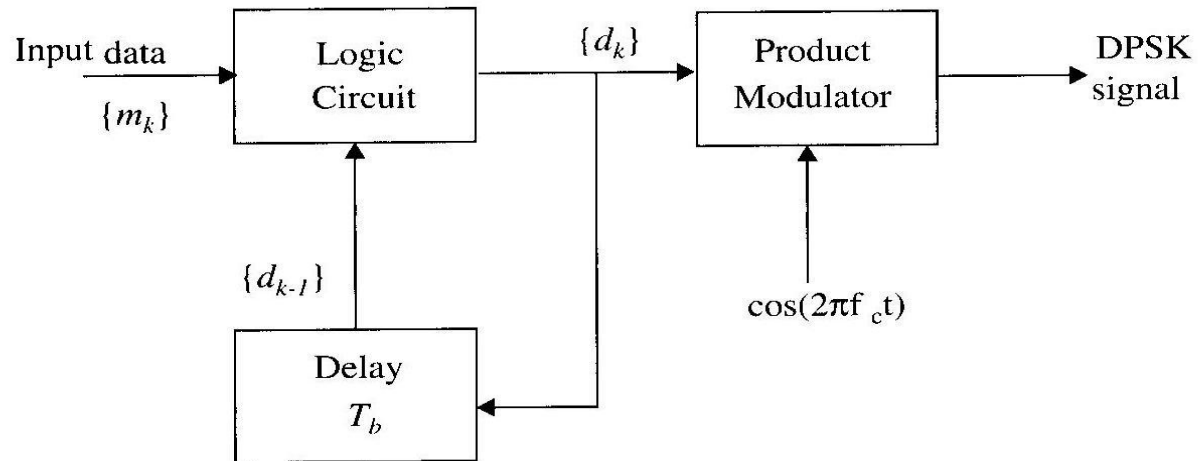
- ☐ DPSK → Differential Phase Shift Keying
  - Non-coherent Rx can be used
    - ☐ easy & cheap to build
    - ☐ no need for coherent reference signal from Tx
  - Bit information determined by **transition** between two phase states
    - ☐ incoming bit = 1 → signal phase stays the same as previous bit
    - ☐ incoming bit = 0 → phase switches state

- If  $\{m_k\}$  is the message, the output  $\{d_k\}$  is as shown below.

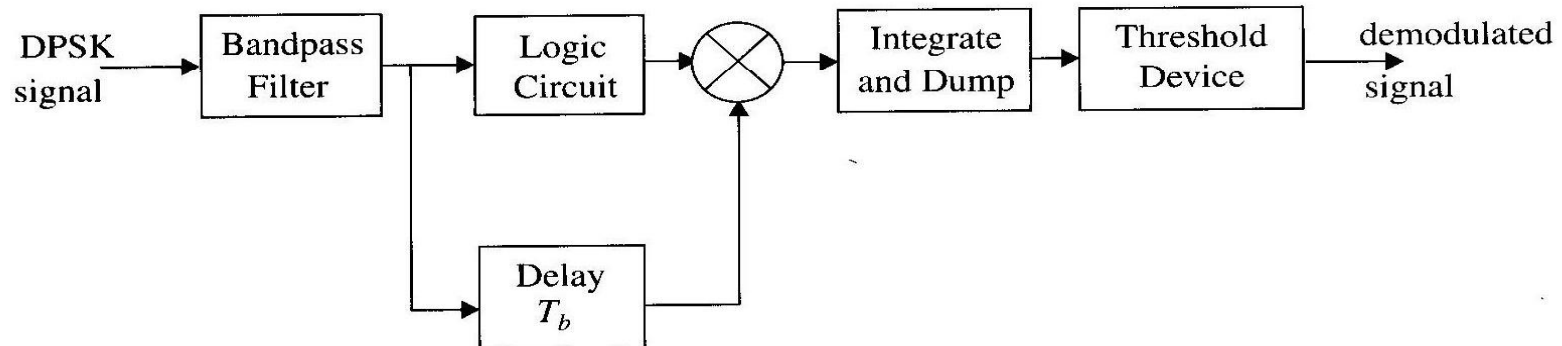
**Table 6.1** Illustration of the Differential Encoding Process

$\{m_k\}$		1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
$\{d_{k-1}\}$		1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
$\{d_k\}$	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1

- can also be described in modulo-2 arithmetic  $d_k = m_k \oplus d_{k-1}$
- Same BW properties as BPSK, uses same amount of spectrum
- Non-coherent detection → all that is needed is to compare phases between successive bits, not in reference to a Tx phase.
- power efficiency is 3 dB worse than coherent BPSK (higher power in  $E_b / N_o$  is required for the same BER)



**Figure 6.24** Block diagram of a DPSK transmitter.



**Figure 6.25** Block diagram of DPSK receiver.



# QPSK

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□ QPSK → Quadrature Phase Shift Keying

- Four different phase states in one symbol period
- Two bits of information in each symbol

Phase:      0    $\pi/2$     $\pi$     $3\pi/2$  → possible phase values

Symbol:    00    01    11    10



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- Note that we choose binary representations so an error between two adjacent points in the constellation only results in a single bit error
  - For example, decoding a phase to be  $\pi$  instead of  $\pi/2$  will result in a "11" when it should have been "01", only one bit in error.

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$$S_{QPSK} = \sqrt{\frac{2E_s}{T_s}} \cos\left(2\pi f_c t + (i-1)\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, 3, 4$$

- ❑ **Constant** amplitude with four different phases
- ❑ remembering the trig. identity

$$\cos(A + B) = \cos(A) \cos(B) - \sin(A) \sin(B)$$

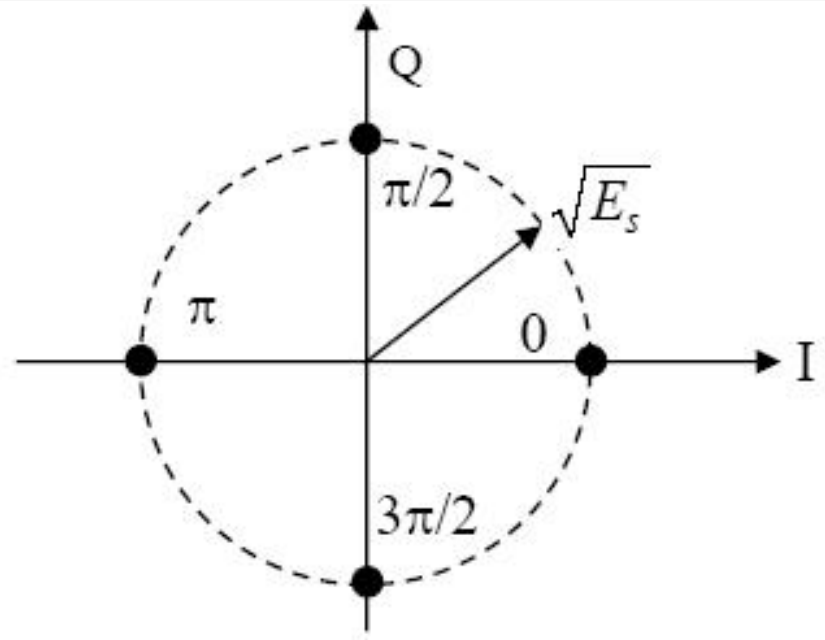
$$S_{QPSK} = \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{2E_s}{T_s}} \cos(2\pi f_c t) \cos[(i-1)\frac{\pi}{2}] - \sqrt{\frac{2E_s}{T_s}} \sin(2\pi f_c t) \sin[(i-1)\frac{\pi}{2}] \right\}$$

Then we can make the following definition:

$$S_{QPSK} = \left\{ \sqrt{E_s} \cos[(i-1)\frac{\pi}{2}] \phi_I(t) - \sqrt{E_s} \sin[(i-1)\frac{\pi}{2}] \phi_Q(t) \right\} \text{ for } i=1,2,3,4$$

$$\text{where } \phi_I(t) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{T_s}} \cos(2\pi f_c t) \text{ and } \phi_Q(t) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{T_s}} \sin(2\pi f_c t)$$

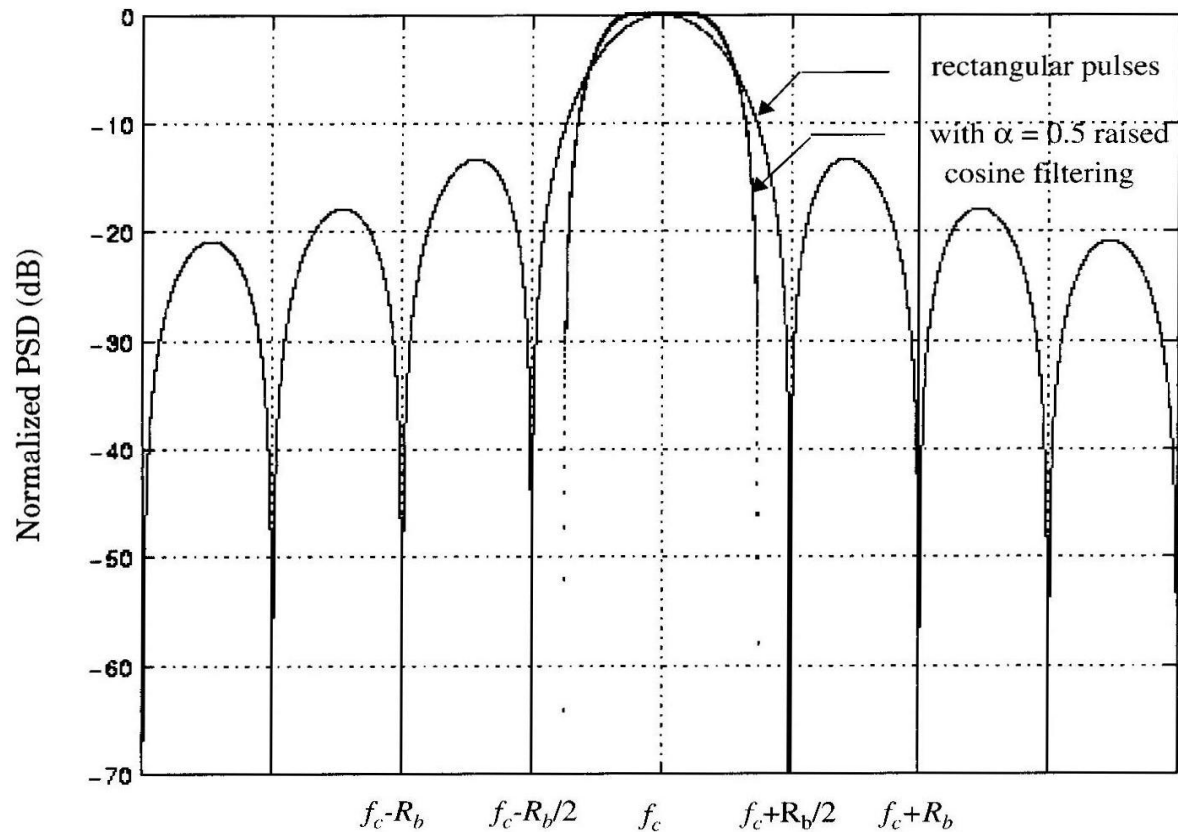
$$\begin{aligned} E_s &= \text{signal energy per symbol} \\ &= \int_{\text{over one symbol time}}^{\text{power}} dt = \int_0^{T_s} s^2(t) dt \end{aligned}$$



- Now we have two basis functions
- $E_s = 2 E_b$  since 2 bits are transmitted per symbol
- $I$  = in-phase component from  $s_I(t)$ .
- $Q$  = quadrature component that is  $s_Q(t)$ .



# QPSK RF Signal BW



**Figure 6.27** Power spectral density of a QPSK signal.

- ❑ null-to-null RF BW =  $R_b = 2R_s$  (2 bits / one symbol time) =  $2 / T_s$
- ❑ double the BW efficiency of BPSK → or twice the data rate in same signal BW

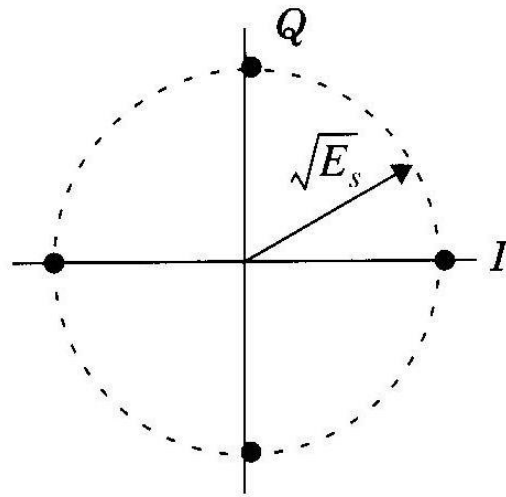
- ❑ BER is once again related to the distance between constellation points.

$$\text{Prob}\{\text{bit error}\} \leq Q\left(\frac{d}{\sqrt{2N_0}}\right)$$

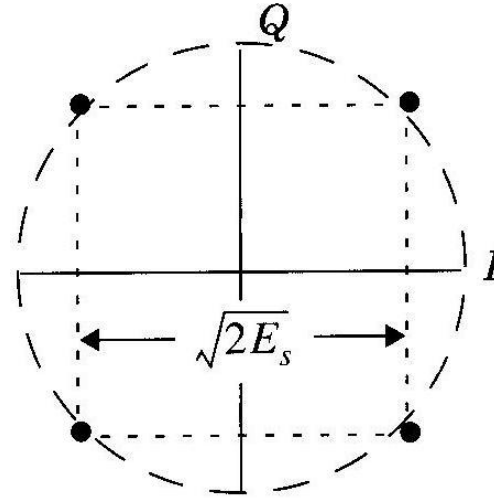
- $d$  is distance between nearest constellation points.

- Here  $d = \sqrt{2E_s}$  so  $\text{Prob}\{\text{bit error}\} \leq Q\left(\sqrt{\frac{E_s}{N_0}}\right)$

$$\text{But } E_s = 2 E_b \quad \text{so} \quad \text{Prob}\{\text{bit error}\} \leq Q\left(\sqrt{\frac{2E_b}{N_0}}\right)$$



(a)



(b)

**Figure 6.26** (a) QPSK constellation where the carrier phases are  $0, \pi/2, \pi, 3\pi/2$ ; (b) QPSK constellation where the carrier phases are  $\pi/4, 3\pi/4, 5\pi/4, 7\pi/4$ .

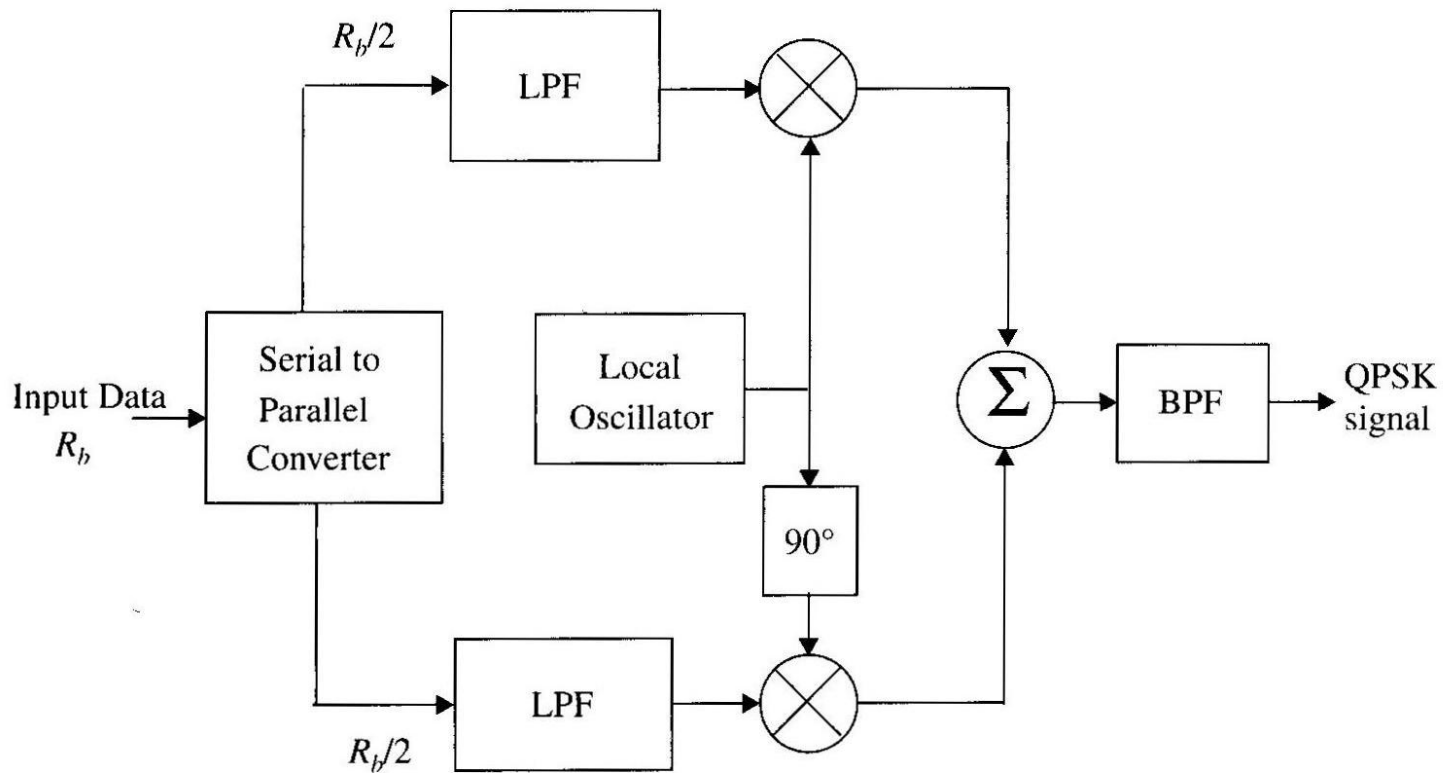


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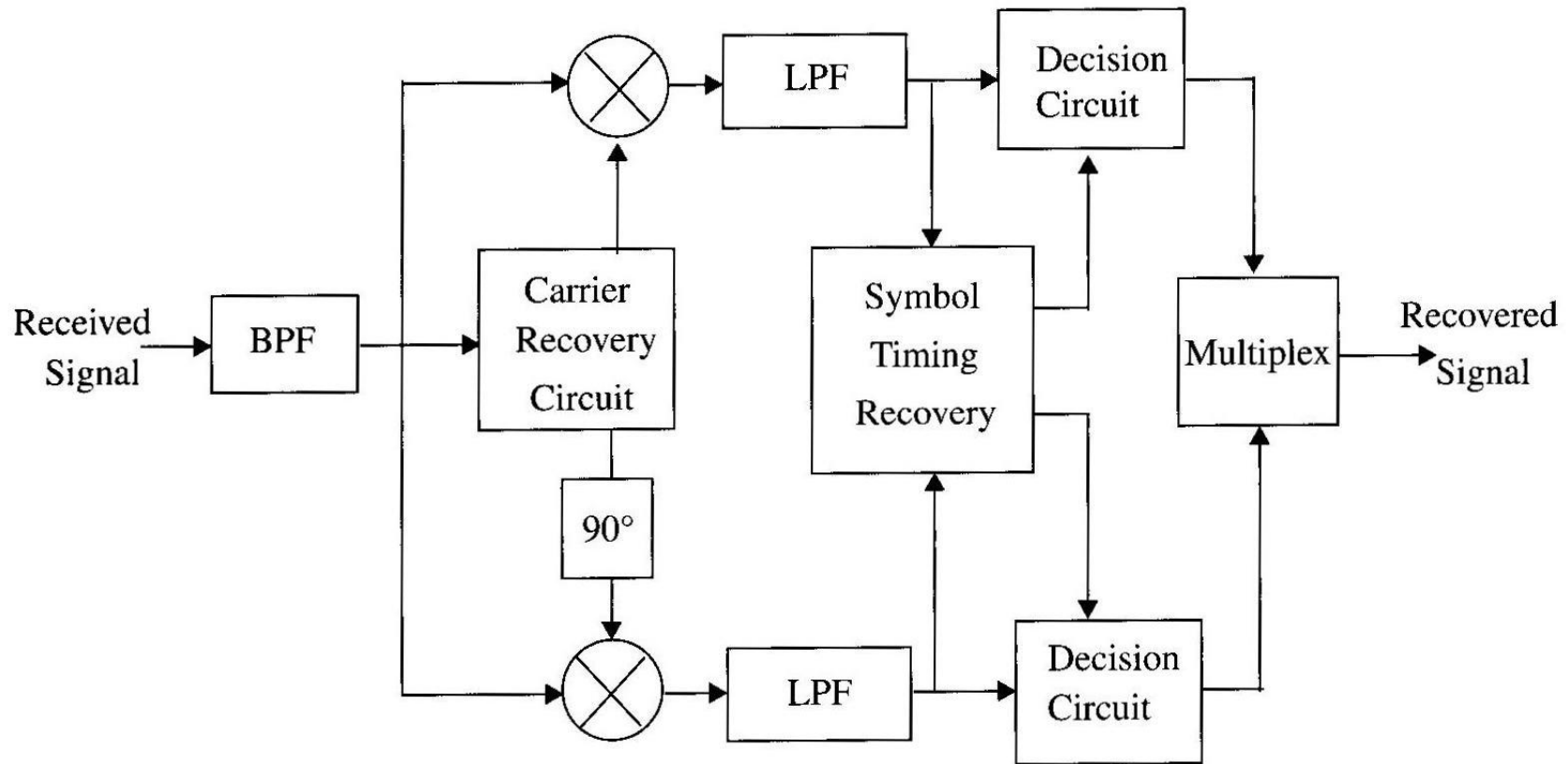
## □ How does BER performance compare to BPSK?

- Why? same # of states per number of basis functions for both BPSK and QPSK (2 states per one function or 4 states per 2 functions)
- same power efficiency  
(same BER at specified  $E_b / N_o$ )
- twice the bandwidth efficiency  
(sending 2 bits instead of 1)

## □ QPSK Transmission and Detection Techniques



**Figure 6.28** Block diagram of a QPSK transmitter.



**Figure 6.29** Block diagram of a QPSK receiver.

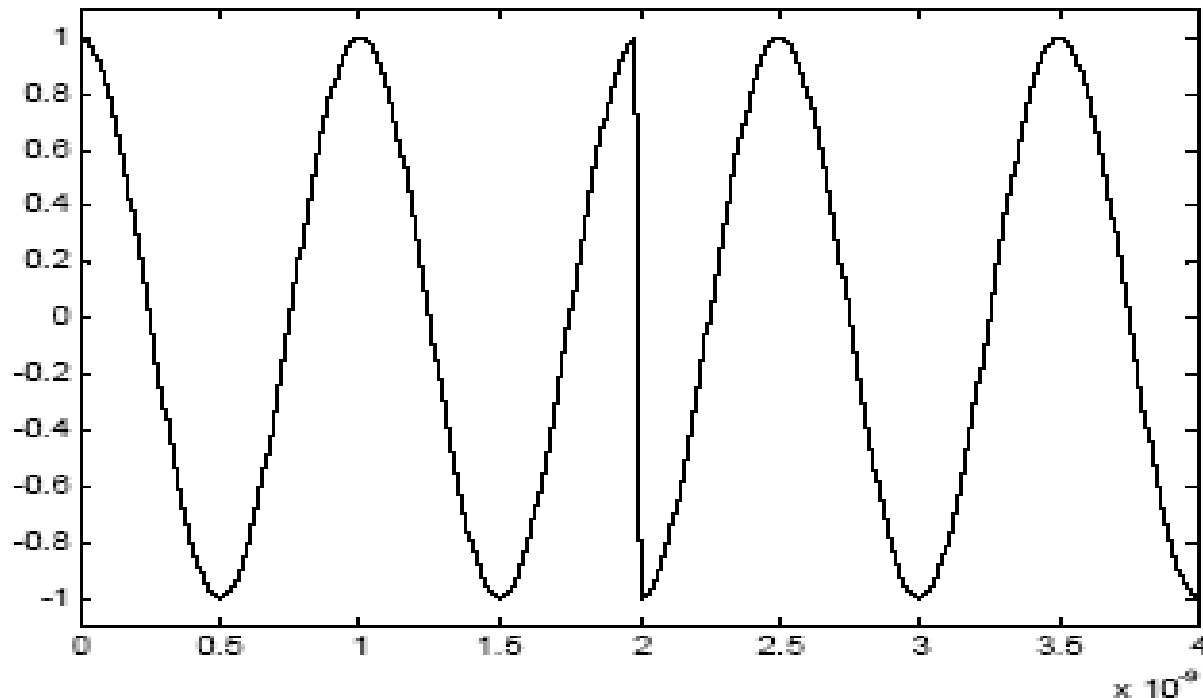


# OQPSK

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## □ Offset QPSK

- The occasional phase shift of  $\pi$  radians can cause the signal envelope to pass through zero for just in instant.
- Any kind of hard limiting or nonlinear amplification of the zero-crossings brings back the filtered sidelobes
  - since the fidelity of the signal at small voltage levels is lost in transmission.
- OQPSK ensures there are fewer baseband signal transitions applied to the RF amplifier,
  - helps eliminate spectrum regrowth after amplification.

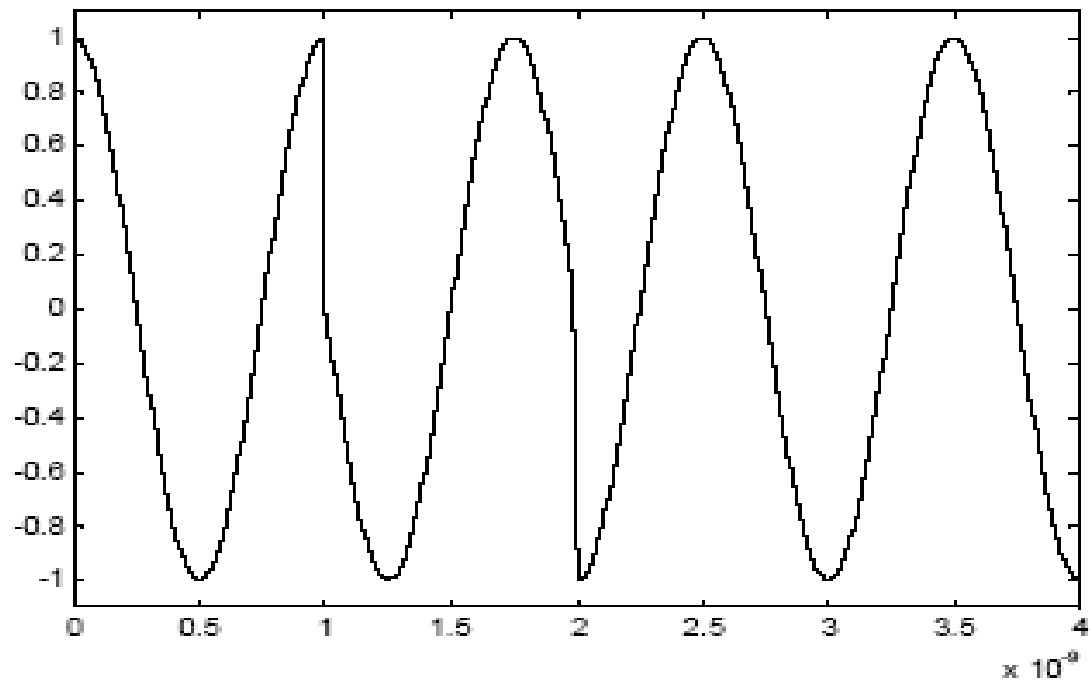


- Example above: First symbol (00) at  $0^\circ$ , and the next symbol (11) is at  $180^\circ$ . Notice the signal going through zero at 2 microseconds.
- This causes problems.





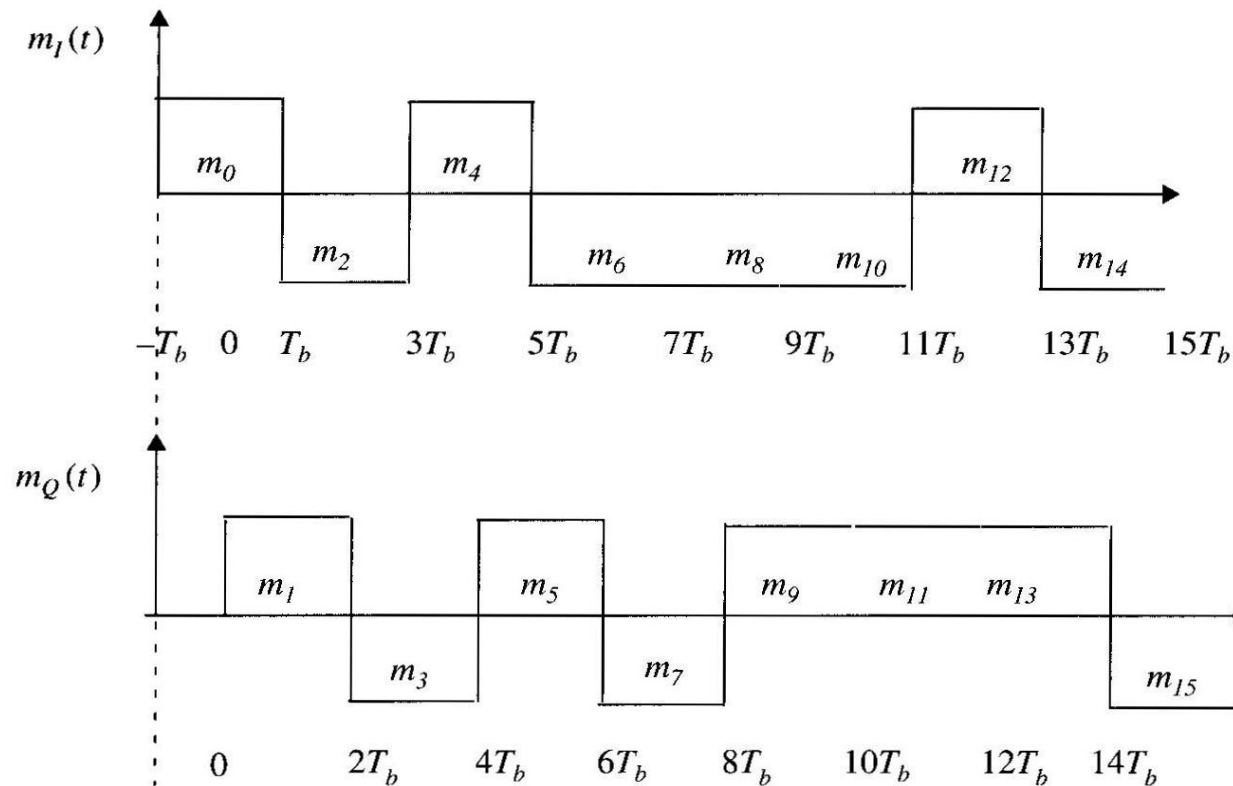
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- Using an offset approach: First symbol (00) at  $0^\circ$ , then an intermediate symbol at (10) at  $90^\circ$ , then the next full symbol (11) at  $180^\circ$ .
    - The intermediate symbol is used halfway through the symbol period.
    - It corresponds to allowing the first bit of the symbol to change halfway through the symbol period.
    - The figure below does have phase changes more often, but no extra transitions through zero.
    - IS-95 uses OQPSK, so it is one of the major modulation schemes used.





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- ❑ In QPSK signaling, the bit transitions of the even and odd bit streams occur at the same time instants.
  - ❑ but in OQPSK signaling, the even and odd bit Streams,  $m_I(t)$  and  $m_Q(t)$ , are offset in their relative alignment by one bit period (half-symbol period)

- the maximum phase shift of the transmitted signal at any given time is limited to  $\pm 90^\circ$



**Figure 6.30** The time offset waveforms that are applied to the in-phase and quadrature arms of an OQPSK modulator. Notice that a half-symbol offset is used.



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- The spectrum of an OQPSK signal is identical to that of a QPSK signal, hence both signals occupy the same bandwidth



# $\pi/4$ QPSK

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## □ $\pi/4$ QPSK

- The  $\pi/4$  shifted QPSK modulation is a quadrature phase shift keying technique
  - offers a compromise between OQPSK and QPSK in terms of the allowed maximum phase transitions.
- It may be demodulated in a coherent or noncoherent fashion.
  - greatly simplifies receiver design.
- In  $\pi/4$  QPSK, the maximum phase change is limited to  $\pm 135^\circ$
- in the presence of multipath spread and fading,  $\pi/4$  QPSK performs better than OQPSK



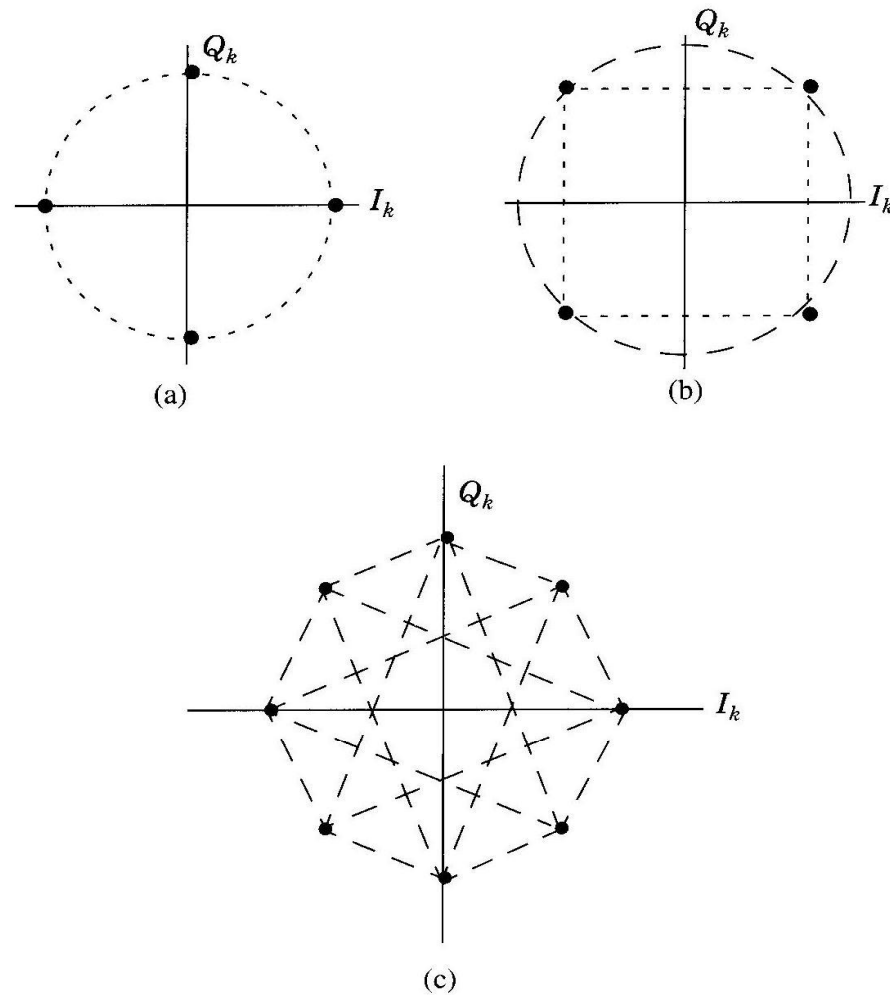
**TABLE 6.2** *Correspondence between input dibit and phase change for  $\pi/4$ -shifted DQPSK*

<i>Gray-Encoded Input Dibit</i>	<i>Phase Change, <math>\Delta\theta</math> (radians)</i>
00	$\pi/4$
01	$3\pi/4$
11	$-3\pi/4$
10	$-\pi/4$

**TABLE 6.3**  $\pi/4$ -shifted DQPSK results for Example 6.2

Step $k$	Phase $\theta_{k-1}$ (radians)	Input Dibit	Phase Change $\Delta\theta_k$ (radians)	Transmitted Phase $\theta_k$ (radians)
1	$\pi/4$	00	$\pi/4$	$\pi/2$
2	$\pi/2$	10	$-\pi/4$	$\pi/4$
3	$\pi/4$	10	$-\pi/4$	0
4	0	01	$3\pi/4$	$3\pi/4$





**Figure 6.31** Constellation diagram of a  $\pi/4$  QPSK signal: (a) possible states for  $\theta_k$  when  $\theta_{k-1} = n\pi/4$ ; (b) possible states when  $\theta_{k-1} = n\pi/2$ ; (c) all possible states.