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Experiment: Simulate BER Performance over Rayleigh Fading wireless channel with BPSK Transmission

Problem Statement:

Simulate BER Performance over Rayleigh Fading wireless channel with BPSK Transmission for SNR 0 to 20 db..

Objectives:

- What is a Rayleigh Fading
- Study of BPSK transmission

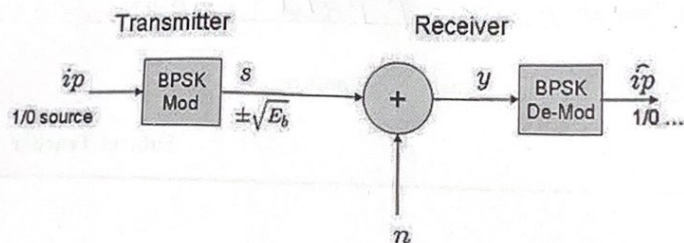
Software Requirements:

- Windows 7/10/11
- Matlab

THEORY:

In this experiment, we will derive the theoretical equation for bit error rate (BER) with Binary Phase Shift Keying (BPSK) modulation scheme in Additive White Gaussian Noise (AWGN) channel. The BER results obtained using Matlab/Octave simulation scripts show good agreement with the derived theoretical results.

With Binary Phase Shift Keying (BPSK), the binary digits 1 and 0 may be represented by the analog levels $+\sqrt{E_b}$ and $-\sqrt{E_b}$ respectively. The system model is as shown in the Figure below.



Channel Model

The transmitted waveform gets corrupted by noise n , typically referred to as **Additive White Gaussian Noise (AWGN)**.

Additive : As the noise gets 'added' (and not multiplied) to the received signal

White : The spectrum of the noise is flat for all frequencies.

Gaussian : The values of the noise n follows the Gaussian probability distribution function, $p(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$ with $\mu = 0$ and $\sigma^2 = \frac{N_0}{2}$.

Computing the probability of error

Using the derivation provided

The received signal,

$y = s_1 + n$ when bit 1 is transmitted and

$y = s_0 + n$ when bit 0 is transmitted.

The conditional probability distribution function (PDF) of y for the two cases are:

$$p(y|s_0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi N_0}} e^{-\frac{(y+\sqrt{E_b})^2}{N_0}}$$

$$p(y|s_1) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi N_0}} e^{-\frac{(y-\sqrt{E_b})^2}{N_0}}$$

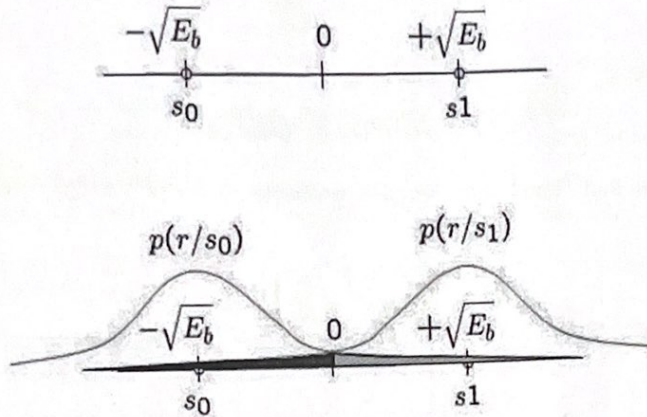


Figure: Conditional probability density function with BPSK modulation

Assuming that s_1 and s_0 are equally probable i.e. $p(s_1) = p(s_0) = 1/2$, the threshold 0 forms the optimal decision boundary.

- if the received signal is y is greater than 0, then the receiver assumes s_1 was transmitted.
- if the received signal is y is less than or equal to 0, then the receiver assumes s_0 was transmitted.

i.e.

$$y > 0 \Rightarrow s_1 \text{ and}$$

$$y \leq 0 \Rightarrow s_0.$$

Probability of error given s_1 was transmitted.

With this threshold, the probability of error given s_1 is transmitted is (the area in blue region):

$$p(e|s_1) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi N_0}} \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{-\frac{(y-\sqrt{E_b})^2}{N_0}} dy = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{\frac{\sqrt{E_b}}{\sqrt{N_0}}}^{\infty} e^{-z^2} dz = \frac{1}{2} \text{erfc}\left(\sqrt{\frac{E_b}{N_0}}\right)$$

where,

$$\text{erfc}(x) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_x^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx$$

Probability of error given s_0 was transmitted

Similarly the probability of error given s_0 is transmitted is (the area in green region):

$$p(e|s_0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi N_0}} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\frac{(y+\sqrt{E_b})^2}{N_0}} dy = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{\frac{\sqrt{E_b}}{\sqrt{N_0}}}^{\infty} e^{-z^2} dz = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{erfc}\left(\sqrt{\frac{E_b}{N_0}}\right)$$

Total probability of bit error

$$P_b = p(s_1)p(e|s_1) + p(s_0)p(e|s_0).$$

Given that we assumed that s_1 and s_0 are equally probable i.e. $p(s_1) = p(s_0) = 1/2$, the bit error probability is,

$$P_b = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{erfc}\left(\sqrt{\frac{E_b}{N_0}}\right).$$

Simulation model

Matlab/Octave source code for computing the bit error rate with BPSK modulation from theory and simulation. The code performs the following:

- Generation of random BPSK modulated symbols +1's and -1's
- Passing them through Additive White Gaussian Noise channel
- Demodulation of the received symbol based on the location in the constellation
- Counting the number of errors
- Repeating the same for multiple E_b/N_0 value.