

Euler's Formula: $e^{jx} = \cos x + j \sin x$

$\log\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) = \log x - \log y$

$f_d = f \frac{v_{LOS}}{c}$

GPS Signal Structures

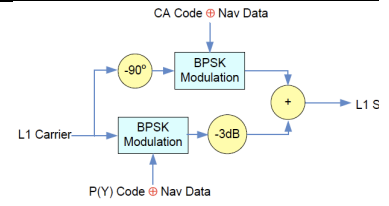
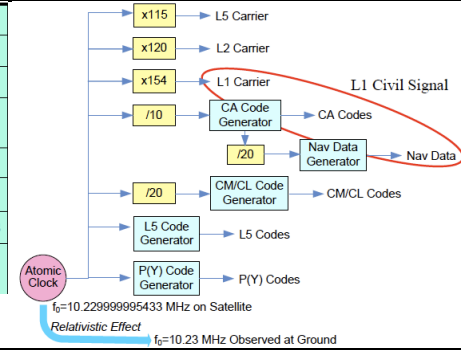
Band	L1			L2		L5
Carrier freq (GHz)	1.57542			1.2276		1.17645
Code	CA	P(Y)	P(Y)	CM	CL	CA
Code length (chips)	1023	23,017,555.5		10,230	767,250	10,230
Code period	1 ms	1 wk		20 ms	1.5 s	1 ms
Chip rate (MHz)	1.023	10.23		1.023		10.23
Data rate (bps)	50			25*	Data less	50*
Max power at receiver (dBW)	-157.7	-160.7	-163.7	-160		-154

GPS SV signals

PRN Sequence:

- 50% are 0, 50% are 1
- 50% of run lengths are 1, 25% are length 2, ...
- if the sequence is shifted, resulting seq. has equal number of agreements and disagreements as orig.

Signal frequency relationships



Signal modulation at L1

BPSK (Binary Phase Shift Keying)

- Given carrier: $s(t) = A \cos(\omega t + P)$
- Its phase modulated version is:
 - $s_{cm}(t) = A \cos(\omega t + P + O(t))$

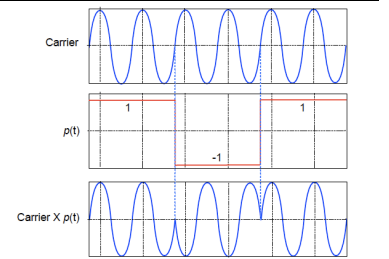
For BPSK, $O(t)$ can take 2 values: 0 and π

$$s_{cm}(t) = \begin{cases} A \cos(\omega t + \phi) & \theta(t) = 0 \\ -A \cos(\omega t + \phi) & \theta(t) = \pi \end{cases}$$

BPSK modulation \leftrightarrow Binary Amplitude Shift Keying:

$$s_{cm}(t) = p(t) A \cos(\omega t + \phi)$$

$p(t)$ takes 2 values: 1 and -1



Signal frequency domain representation:

- DTFS and CTFT

$$x[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} X[k] e^{jk \frac{2\pi}{N} n}$$

$$X[k] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n] e^{-jk \frac{2\pi}{N} n}$$

Both are periodic with period=N

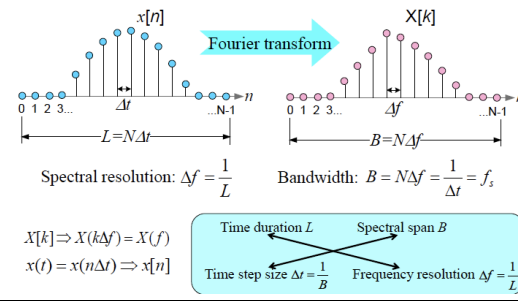
Synthesis equation

$$x(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(f) e^{j2\pi f t} df$$

Analysis equation

$$X(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt$$

Spectral resolution and bandwidth



L1 Signal mathematical rep.

$$s_{L1} = s_C + s_P$$

$$s_C = \sqrt{2} A C(t) D(t) \sin[2\pi(f_{L1} + f_D)t + \phi]$$

$$s_P = A P(t) D(t) \cos[2\pi(f_{L1} + f_D)t + \phi]$$

A: Protected signal amplitude

f_{L1} : L1 carrier frequency 1.57542GHz

f_D : L1 carrier frequency Doppler shift

ϕ : L1 carrier frequency phase

$C(t)$: C

$P(t)$: P

$D(t)$: D

N_e

CA Code and Signal Power Spectrum

Correlation

- $r_{xy}(\tau) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) y(t - \tau) dt$
- $z_{xy}[n] = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} x[m] y[m - n]$

Power spectrum's relation to auto-correlation

- Power: $S(f) = |X(f)|^2$
- Auto: $R(\tau) = \int x(t) x(t + \tau) dt$
- $S(f) = \int R(\tau) e^{-j2\pi f \tau} d\tau$
- $R(\tau) \leftrightarrow S(f)$

Example with square pulse:

- $S_1(f) = A^2 T^2 \text{sinc}(\pi f T)$
- $R_1(\tau) = A^2 T \left(1 - \frac{|\tau|}{T}\right), |\tau| \leq T$

For a sequence of N pulses:

- $R_2(\tau) = N R_1(\tau)$ (same with S)

Signal Simulation

CA Code alignment at receiver

- $CA = [CASamps(N-n0+2:N) \text{ CASamps}(1:Ns-n0+1)]$
- N=samps in code pd, n0=init. code samp index at rcvr, Ns=total samps rcv'd, icp=N-n0+2

Carrier generation

- $car = \cos[2\pi(f_{L1} + f_d)t_s[0:N_s - 1] + \phi]$
- ts=1/fs,

Carrier to noise ratio

- $\frac{C}{N_0} = 10 \log \left(\frac{P_s}{P_n} \right) \text{ (dB - Hz)}$
- C/N spec. by user, Ps rel. to A, Pn env/device

Ps and Amplitude relationship

- $S(f) = \frac{A^2 T}{2} \text{sinc}(\pi f T)$ approximate PSD of $AC(t) \cos(2\pi(f_{L1} + f_d)t + \phi)$ at the baseband
- $P_s = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S(f) df = \frac{1}{2} A^2$

Noise power density and amplitude

- $P_n = k T_k$; $T_k = T_{ant} + T_{RX}$
- $T_{ant} \sim 100K$; $T_{RX} = 290(NF - 1)$
- $A = \sqrt{2 P_n} * 10^{\frac{C/N_0}{20}}$

Noise generation

- for WGN, normal distrib.: $\sigma^2 = P_n = k T_k$
- $\therefore \text{noise} = \sqrt{k T_k} * \text{randn}(1, N_s)$

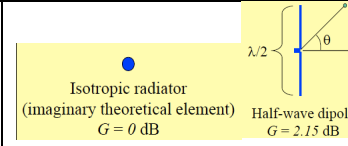
Antenna

Antenna gain

$$G = 10 \log_{10} \left[\frac{\left(\frac{dP}{d\Omega} \right)_{\max}}{\frac{P}{4\pi}} \right]$$

Max. power radiated per unit solid angle

Ave. power radiated per unit solid angle



Half-wave dipole:

$$\frac{dP}{d\Omega} = \frac{\mu_0 c I^2}{8\pi^2} \frac{\cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{2} \sin\theta\right)}{\cos^2\theta} \quad P = 1.2188 \frac{\mu_0 c I^2}{4\pi}$$

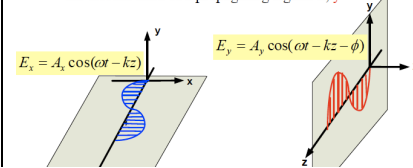
$$G = 10 \log_{10} \left[\frac{\left(\frac{dP}{d\Omega} \right)_{\max}}{\frac{P}{4\pi}} \right] = 10 \log_{10} \left[\frac{\frac{\mu_0 c I^2}{8\pi^2}}{1.2188 \frac{\mu_0 c I^2}{4\pi \times 4\pi}} \right] = 10 \log_{10} \frac{2}{1.2188} = 2.15 \text{ dB}$$

Noise Figure

- device's contribution to thermal noise at output
- increase in a device noise power from in- to output
 - $NF = 10 \log_{10} \left(\frac{N_{out}}{N_{in}} \right) - G$
- amount of decrease in the SNR
 - $NF = SNR_{out} - SNR_{in}$
- only applies to bandwidth of interest
- typical range: 0.5 - 4~8 dB

Polarization

Definition: the orientation of the electric field vector in a signal
Cause: phase difference between 2 perpendicular components in the electric field of a propagating signal: x, y



Polarization cont'd

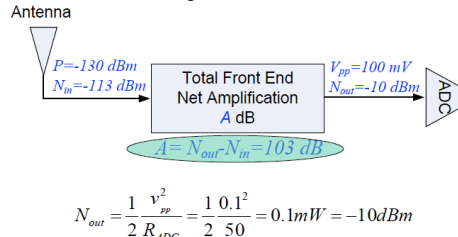
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φ	-180°	-90°	0°	90°	180°

RX Front End Circuit

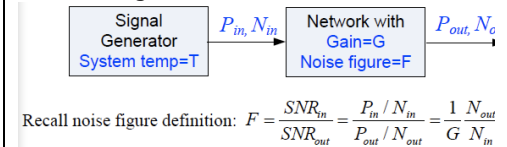
Nominal GPS SNR at a RX

- L1 CA P @ RX: $P = -160 \text{ dBW} = -130 \text{ dBm}$
- RX input noise P: $N_{in} = kTB$
- If $B=2 \text{ MHz}$, $10 \log(B)=63 \text{ dB}$
- Assume $kT = -209 \text{ dBW} = -179 \text{ dBm}$
- $N_{in} = -179 + 63 = -116 \text{ dBm}$
- Nominal SNR: $SNR = P - N_{in} = -14 \text{ dB}$

RX Front End Amplification



RX Noise Figure Calc.



$$N_{out} = FGN_{in} = GN_{in} + N_T; N_T = (F - 1)GN_{in}$$

For cascaded networks:

$$\text{Overall gain } G = G_1 G_2 \dots G_N$$

$$F = F_1 + \frac{F_2 - 1}{G_1} + \frac{F_3 - 1}{G_1 G_2} + \dots + \frac{F_N - 1}{G_1 G_2 \dots G_{N-1}}$$

Mixing and Down Conversion Output

$$\text{Output} = s_{IF}(t) + n_{IF}(t) + \text{spurious components}$$

$$s_{IF}(t) = s(t) \cos(\omega_1 t) = AC(t)D(t) \cos[(\omega_{L1} + \omega_d)t + \phi] \cos(\omega_1 t)$$

$$s_{IF}(t) = \frac{A}{2} C(t) D(t) \{ \cos[(\omega_{L1} - \omega_1 + \omega_d)t + \phi] + \cos[(\omega_{L1} + \omega_1 + \omega_d)t + \phi] \}$$

Pass through bandpass filter Rejected by bandpass filter

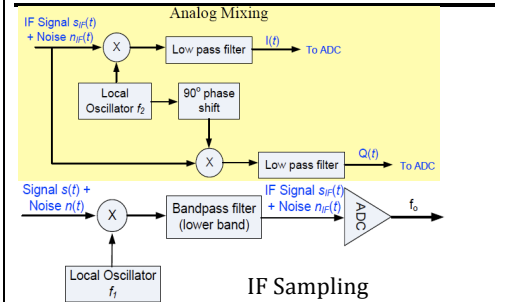
$$s_{IF}(t) = \frac{A}{2} C(t) D(t) \cos[(\omega_{IF} + \omega_d)t + \phi]$$

$$n_{IF}(t) = r(t) \cos[\omega_{IF} t + \phi_n(t)]$$

$$\omega_{IF} = \omega_{L1} - \omega_1$$

Why use IF samplin to convert to baseband?

- Analog mixing generates I and Q channels
 - Channel imbalance
 - More complex hardware components
 - Sig strength division between 2 ch's
- IF sampling moves ADC to output of IF
 - Single channel
 - Less hardware
 - Signal strength preservation



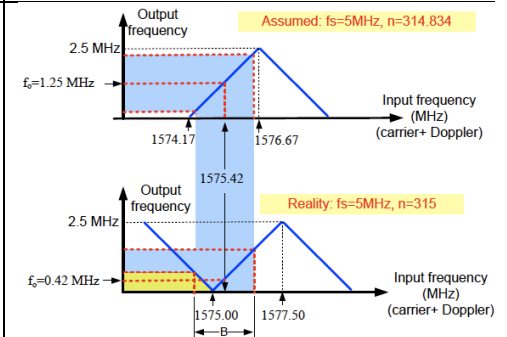
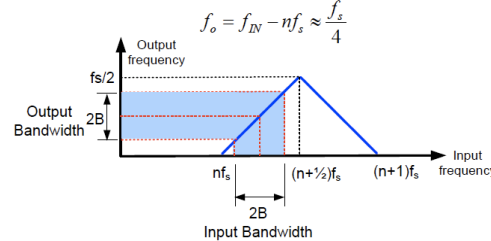
Sampling Frequency and CA Code Chipping Rate

- F_s should not be int multiples of f_c
 - Choose f_s=5MHz (separated from 5f_c)
- F_c should include Doppler
 - $f_c = 1.023 \text{ MHz} + f_d$

note: $f_{in} = f_{L1} + f_d$ for direct sampling

$f_{in} = f_{IF}$ for IF sampling

Sampling Frequency Selection and Aliasing



Sampling Frequency Selection Criteria

- $f_s > 2B$

$$f_s \neq m(f_c + \Delta f_d)$$

- select n so f_o only contains freq. w/in 1 oct.

$$f_o = f_{in} - nf_s \approx \frac{f_s}{4}$$

$$f_o = f_{in} - nf_s \approx \frac{3f_s}{4} \text{ (no band aliasing)}$$

ADC Output Range (v_{pp}) and Step Size (Δ)

- N-bit ADC: 2^N levels separated by Δ

Digital Rep.	Data Range	Output Levels	General Formula
00	$x < -0.8$	-1	V_{min}
01	$-0.8 < x < 0$	-0.3	$V_{min} + \Delta$
10	$0 < x < 0.8$	0.3	$V_{min} + 2\Delta$
11	$x > 0.8$	1	$V_{min} + 3\Delta$

$$\Delta = \frac{v_{pp}}{2^{N-1}}$$

Increasing SNR

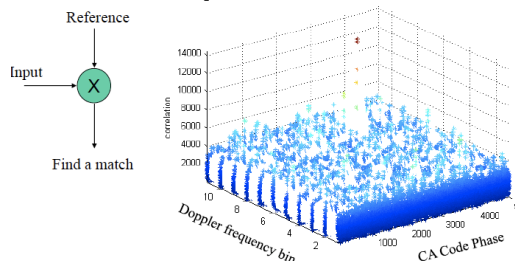
- use more bits in ADC
- higher sampling frequency
 - get more details about signal
- longer data
 - accumulate more coherent energy

Signal Acquisition

Acquisition Basics for Software RX

- performed using a block of data
- performed for each SV in sequence
- time elapse between SV acq. & tracking data
- fast acquisition is key to real time software rx

General Idea of Acquisition



Good Search Bin Size?

General consideration

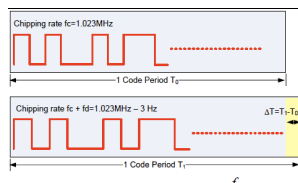
- Large bin size \rightarrow larger errors, few computations
- Small bin size \rightarrow smaller errors, more computations
- Compromised approach:
 - Work with large bin size first
 - Find potential cell, zoom into it
 - Sub-divide potential cell into smaller bins for 2nd round search (fine acquisition)

Code phase bin

- Hardware-based receiver, typical bin size = 1/2 chip
- Software-based receiver, typical bin size = $1 \sim 2\Delta t_s$

Doppler frequency bin

- Determined by data length T: $\Delta f = 1/T$
- For nominal satellite signal acquisition:
 - $T = 1 \sim 10 \text{ ms} \rightarrow \Delta f = 1 \text{ kHz} \sim 100 \text{ Hz}$



Doppler effect on CA code

Acquisition Data Length Selection

- minimum: 1ms to ensure 1 pd CA code included
- max: 10 ms to ensure no nav data transition
- main constraint: nav data bit transition spread carrier causing SNR loss in acquisition
- secondary constraint: Doppler effect on CA code

