

Large Scale Fading → Mean Signal Attenuation
→ Variations about mean

Affected by forest, billboards etc.

Need to compute path loss as a function of distance → mean-path loss (with Power law)

Small Scale Fading (Rayleigh Fading) → due to motion between receiver & transmitter.

Affects signal amplitude & phase

Manifested in two ways:

- time spreading of signal (signal dispersion)
- time variant behaviour of channel

Channel is time-variant because propagation paths change ~~as~~ due to motion b/w transmitter & receiver

if

- Many multipaths
- No line of sight component ^{non-fading component}

then

signal's envelope described by Rayleigh pdf.

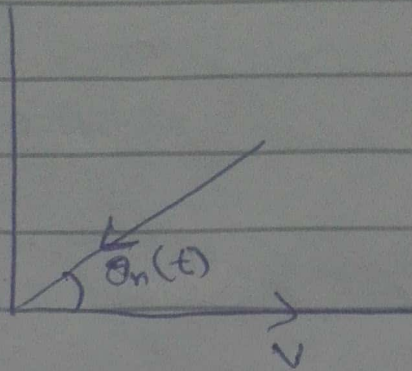
Three ways that impact signal prop:

- Reflection
- Diffraction (Shadowing)
- Scattering

Time Spreading of signal \rightarrow Time-delay domain desc.
 \rightarrow Frequency domain desc.

Time Variance of the channel \rightarrow Time-domain description
 \rightarrow Doppler-Shift domain desc.

fast & slow



$$f_{D,n}(t) = f_m \cos(\theta_n(t))$$

where

$$f_m = \frac{v}{\lambda}$$

$$s(t) = \text{Re} \{ u(t) \cdot e^{j2\pi f_c t} \}$$

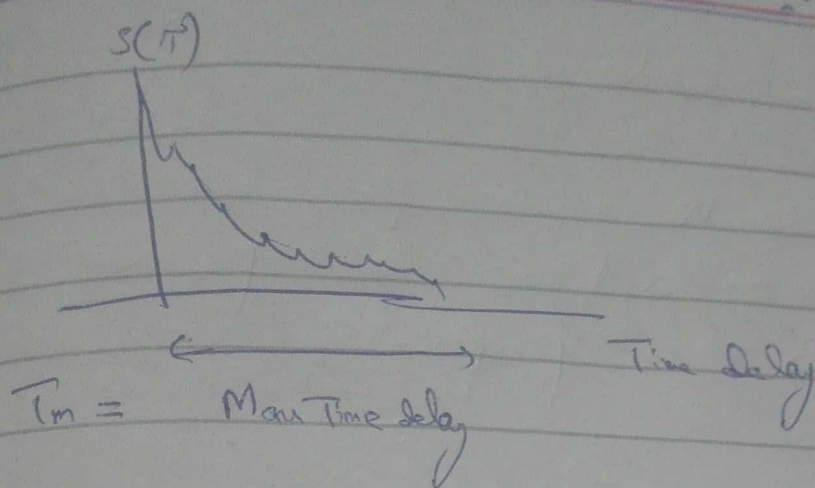
$$x(t) = \text{Re} \{ x(t) e^{j2\pi f_c t} \}$$

where

$$x(t) = \sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_n(t) e^{-j2\pi \phi_n(t)} u(t - \tilde{\tau}_n(t))$$

where

$$\phi_n(t) = (f_c + f_{D,n}(t)) \tilde{\tau}_n(t) - f_{D,n}(t) \cdot t$$



~~Plus~~ $T_m > T_s \rightarrow$ Frequency Selective (channel-induced ISI)

$T_m < T_s \rightarrow$ Frequency non-selective

Channel Time variant because path changes

Fast fading: channel fading characteristics change several times within symbol time, causing baseband pulse to be distorted

Mitigation

Frequency Selective: equalization
equalization: make symbol energy back together into its original time.

Large Scale Fading:

~~Also~~ Results in path loss which is reduction in power density as it propagates through space.

$$L = 20 \log_{10} \left(\frac{4\pi d}{\lambda} \right) \text{ in dB}$$

$d=2$ in free space.

$d=4$ for lossy environments.

Small Scale Fading:

Also called Rayleigh Fading. Occurs when signal has multiple pathways to reach receiver.

Occurs in two ways

- Time Spreading of signal
- Time Variance of channel.

Time Spreading of Signal:

At a single instant of time multiple delayed versions of the same signal arrives with different powers.

Two variants.

- Frequency Selective:

If main delay of the received signal exceeds symbol time hence having an effect of ISI.

- Frequency Non-Selective

No ISI. Need to improve SNR because of destructive interferences.

Time Variance of Channel:

- Fast-fading: When channel coherence time is less than symbol time. Coherence time is the time in which channel behaves in a correlated way. Hence in fast-fading channel will change several times during a single symbol time duration, which changes baseband symbol.

- Slow fading:
 $T_0 > T_s$

Channel remains unchanged during single symbol time duration.

Mitigation Methods: (Frequency selective)

- Freq. Frequency-Selective:

gathers symbol energy back to within symbol time duration.

Need to design a filter which when combined with channel gives flat response.

Since channel is varying adaptive filter required.

- Decision Feedback Equalizer:

Predicts the ISI induced by current detected symbol or q future received symbols.

- Max-Likelihood Seq. Estimation (MLSE)

Checks all possible data sequences and selects most probable in them.

— Rake receiver :

Uses a separate correlator for each multipath component.

Mitigation for Fast Fading :

- Add signal redundancy for increasing signal rate than fading rate.
- Error correcting codes. Reduces required SNR.

Mitigation for decreasing loss in SNR

— Time diversity :

Transmit signal on specified number of diff. time slots.

— Freq. diversity :

Transmit signal on specified number of diff. carriers.

— Spatial diversity :

Using multiple receivers.

— Polarization diversity.