
EE 364000 – Comm. Systems I

Lecture 1 – Introduction

Course Information I

- **Goal and Overview:**

- Introductory course to communications.
- Basic concepts of:
 - Signal Representation
 - Modulation (analog vs digital)
 - Random Processes
 - Channel and Noise
 - Signal Detection

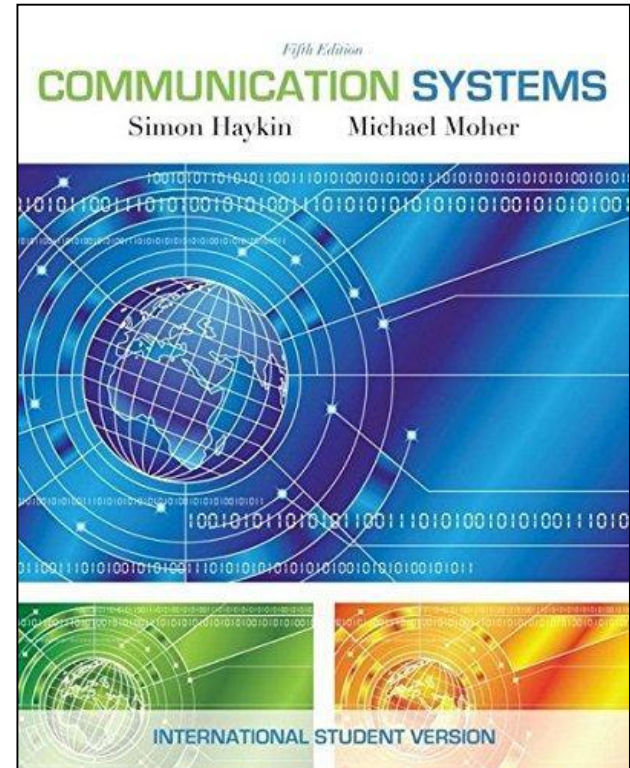
- **Required background:**

Probability; Signals and Systems.

- **Textbook Book:**

Simon Haykin and Michael Moher, *Communication Systems*, 5th Edition, John Wiley & Sons, 2010

(➔ Please read the book! Do not rely entirely on notes in class.)



Course Information II

- **Lecture Time:** M5M6 (13:00—15:10), RnR5 (13:00—14:10)
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Course Information III

- **Grades:** Homework 15%; Midterm I 30%; Midterm II 30%; Finals 25%

(Academic integrity is strictly enforced!! Any form of cheating in HW or exams will result in failure of the course. No Warnings!!)

Important Dates:

- **Midterm I:** 5/4 Monday during class
- **Midterm II:** 6/1 Monday during class
- **Final Exam:** 6/22 Monday during class
- 作業鼓勵討論，禁止抄襲!!
- 除非有正式假單，期中考期末考不得補考!!

What is a communication system?

- Communication is referred to, in this course, as the *transmission of information from one end to another.*

Smoke Signalling



Tin Can Phone



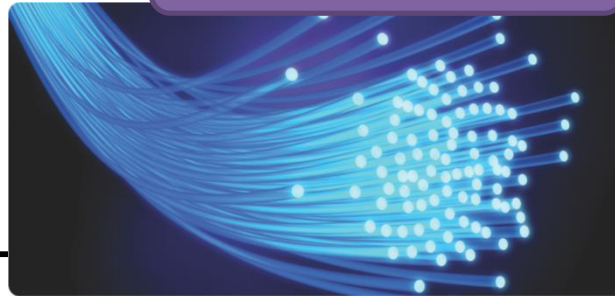
Wireline Phone



Satellite Communications



Optical Communications

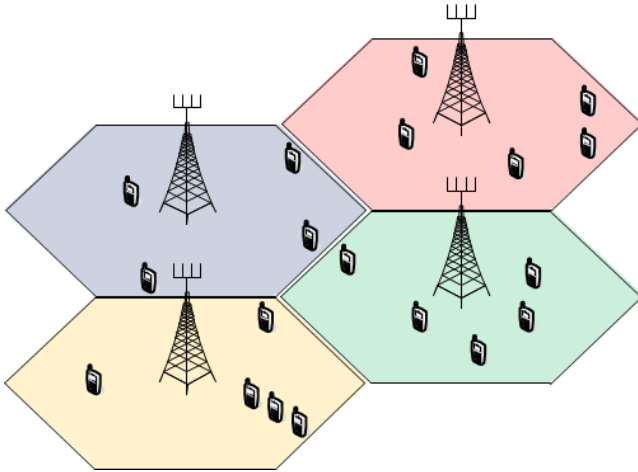


Digital Storage



Communication Networks and Applications

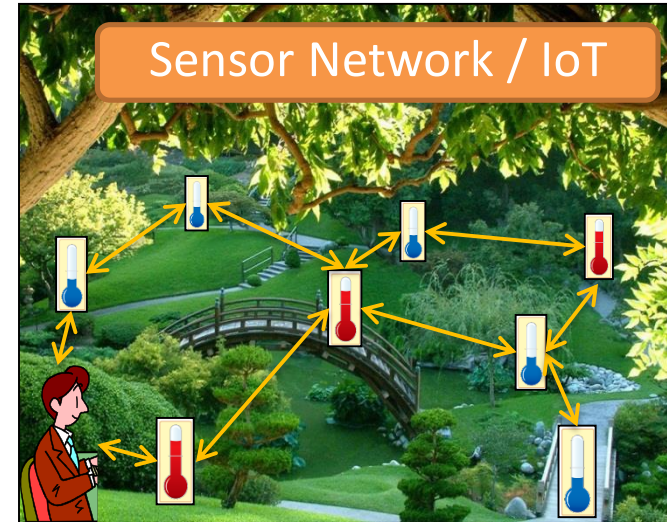
Mobile Cellular Network



Vehicular Network



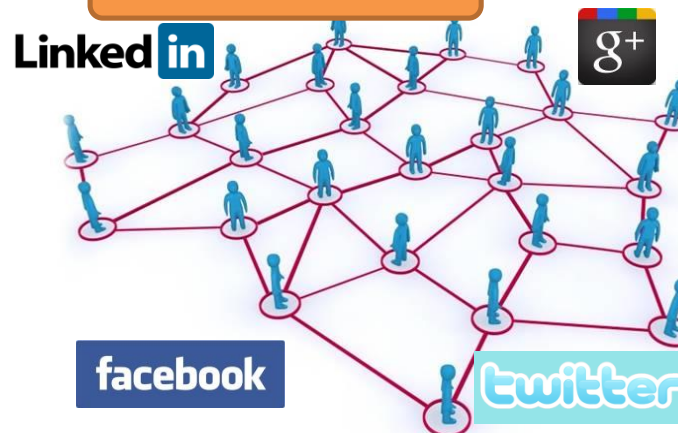
Sensor Network / IoT



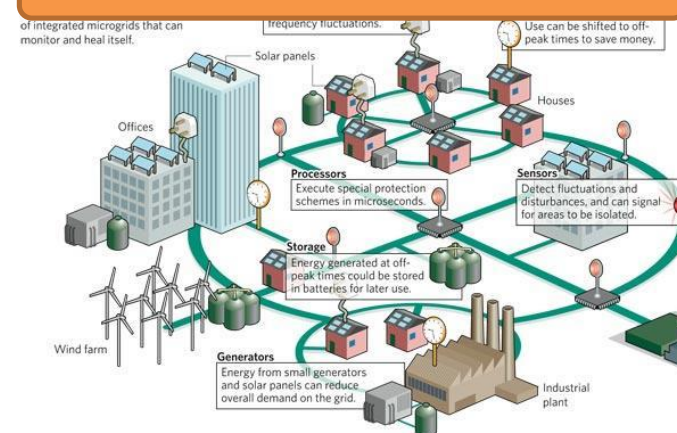
Local Area Network



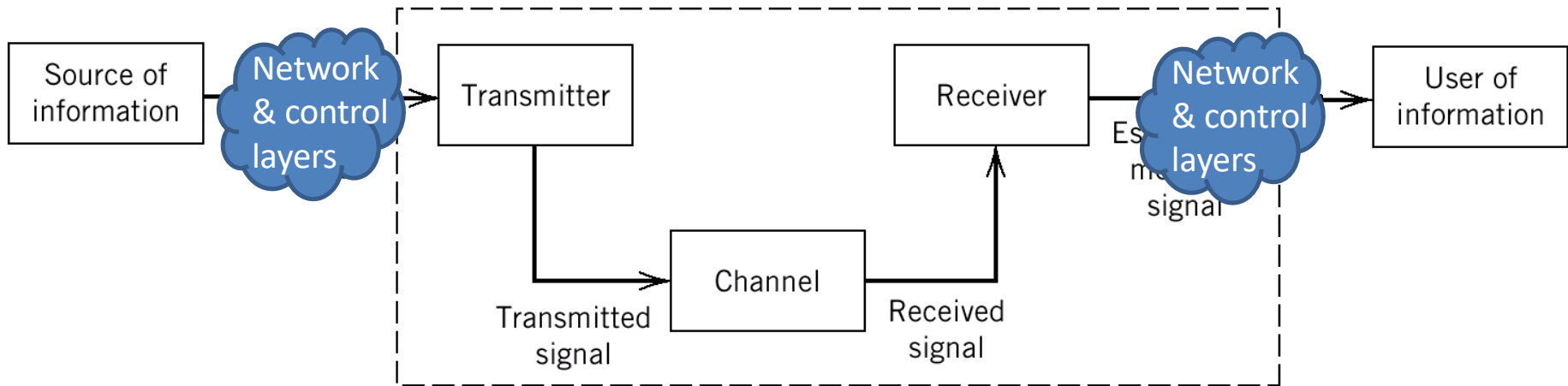
Social Network



Smart Grid Communications

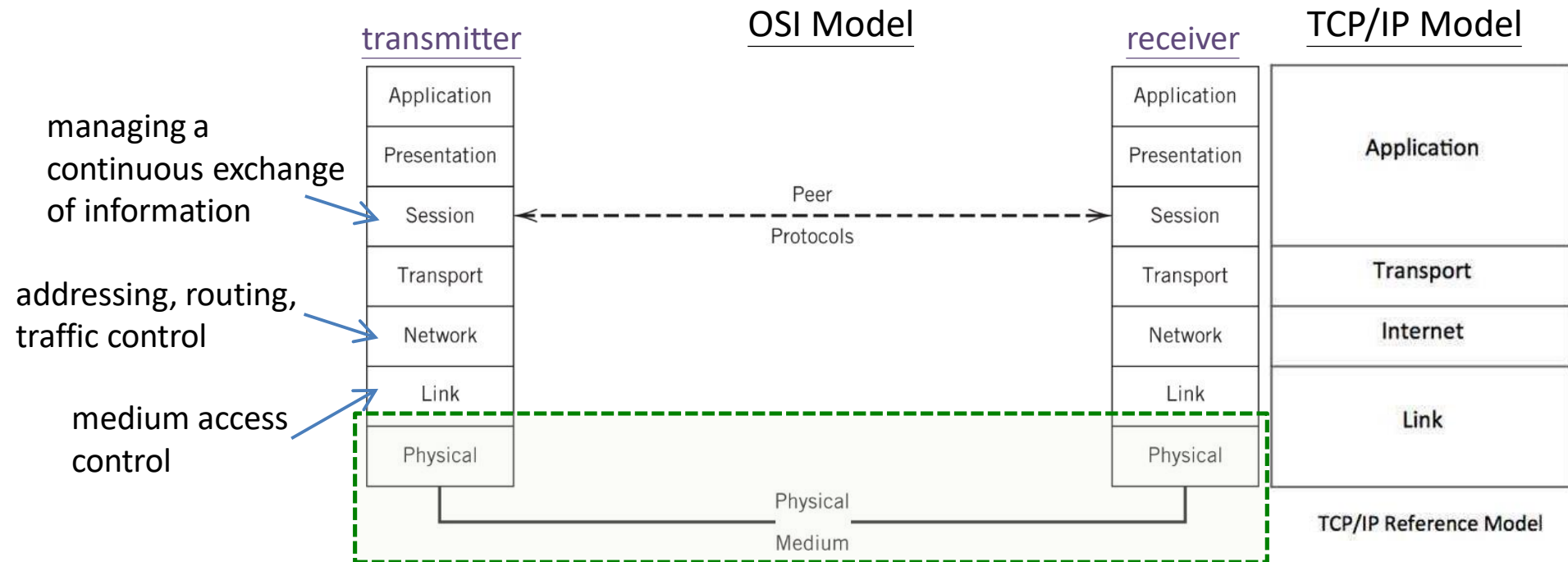


Point-to-Point Link



- **Source or message signal:** voice, music, picture, video computer data... etc.
- **Transmitter:** encoding and modulation
- **Channel:** transmission medium
- **Receiver:** decoding and demodulation
- **User of information**

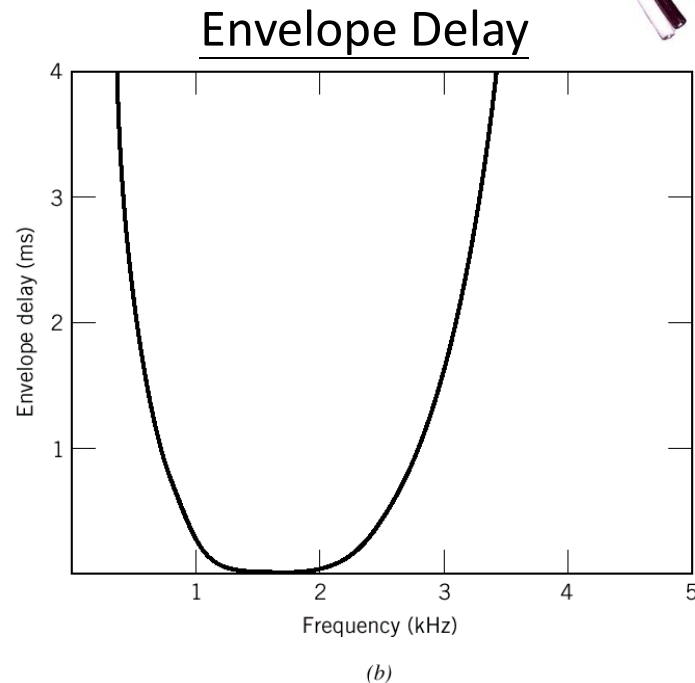
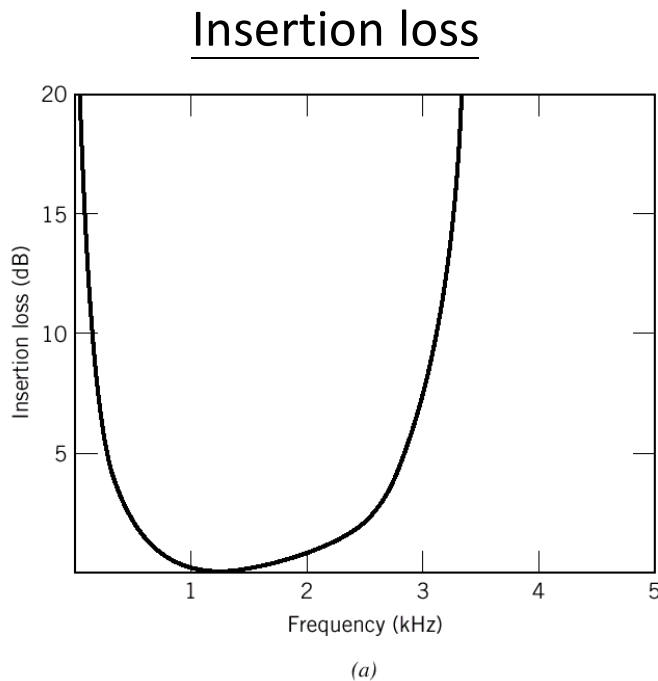
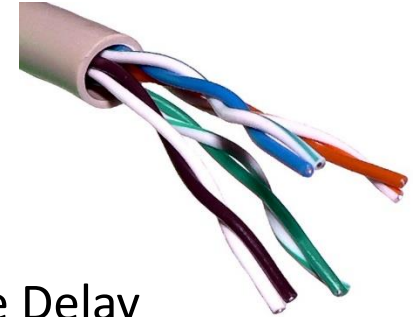
Layered Approach



- The Open Systems Interconnect (OSI) model divides the system into 7 layers, each with different functionalities.
 - Not closely followed in practice, but it
 - permits independent development of different functionalities;
 - simplifies the understanding and design of communication systems.
- (➔ see course in Computer Networks)

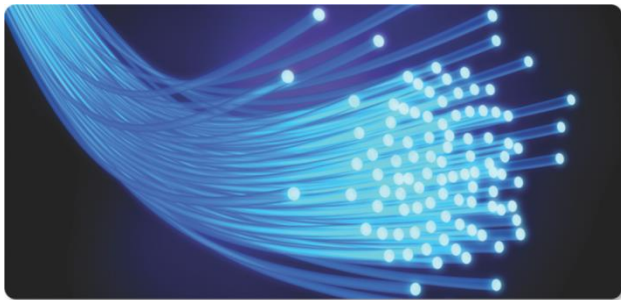
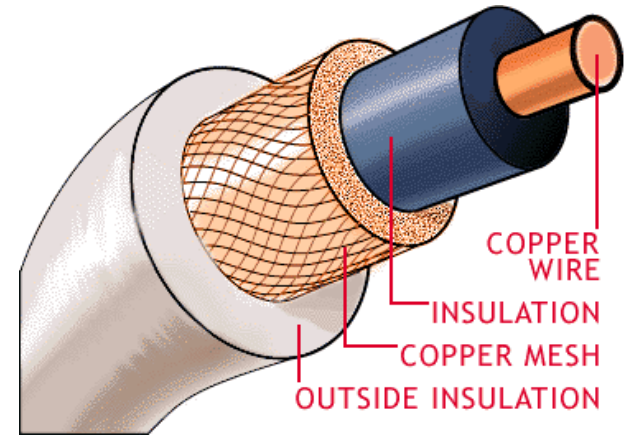
Communication Channels (1)

- The best performance a communication system can achieve is often determined by its channel. (→ see Information Theory)
- Channels based on **guided propagation**:
 - Telephone channel (twisted pair):
 - Human voice ~ 300-3100 Hz



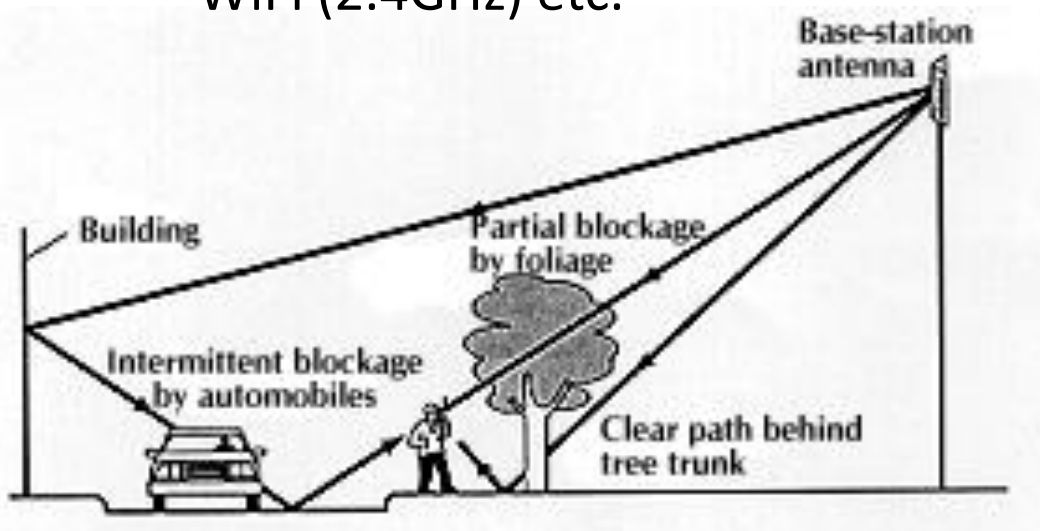
Communication Channels (2)

- Coaxial cable
 - Supports $\sim 20\text{Mbps}$
 - Also used for cable television
- Optical fiber
 - Dielectric waveguide for light
 - Extremely large bandwidth
 - Carrier frequency ($\sim 2 \times 10^{14}\text{Hz}$) if BW is 10% of carrier frequency
→ ($\sim 2 \times 10^{13}\text{ Hz}$ bandwidth)
 - Small transmission loss 0.1dB/km (i.e., decay by half after 30km)
 - Immunity to EMI (electromagnetic interference)

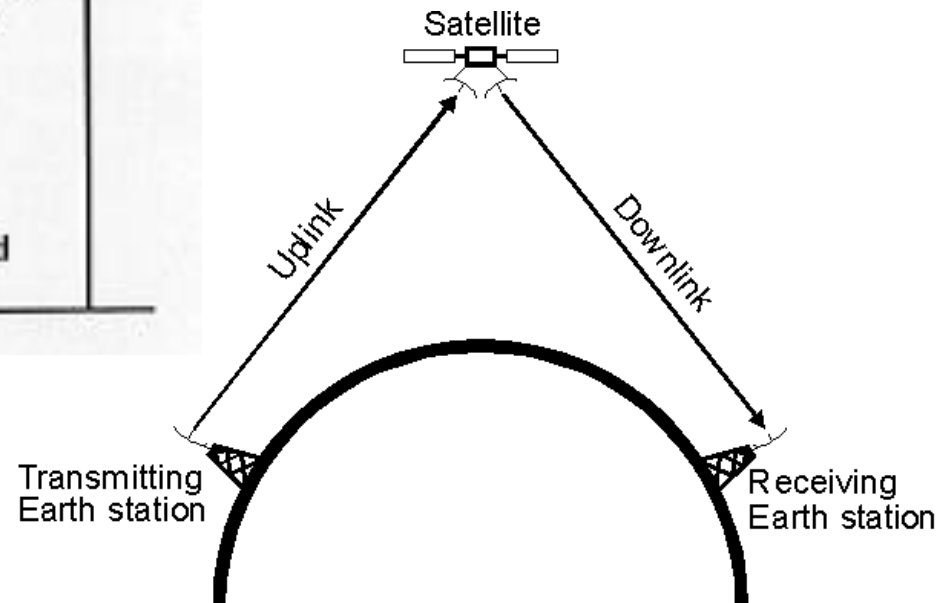


Communication Channels (3)

- Channels based on **free propagation**:
 - Wireless or mobile channels: e.g. AM radio (500-1600 kHz), FM radio (30-300MHz), mobile communication (700-1900 MHz), WiFi (2.4GHz) etc.



- Satellite communications
→ requires line-of-sight



Communication Engineering

- **Goal:** Design transmitters and receivers that optimize the performance (e.g., data rate, error probability etc) given constraints or limitations of the system.
- **Communication Constraints:**
 - Channel bandwidth
 - Channel distortion
 - Propagation loss
 - Noise
 - Transmit power
 - Multi-user interference
 - Cross-talk
 - ... etc.

Modulation & Demodulation

- **Modulation**: Modification of the message into a signal suitable for transmission over the channel.
- **Demodulation**: Reconstruction of the message with degraded version of the signal.

(→ **MODEM**)

- **Covered in this course:**

- Continuous-wave modulation:
 - Amplitude modulation (AM);
 - Frequency modulation (FM);
 - Phase modulation (PM).
- Pulse modulation (analog vs digital)
 - Analog: Pulse Amplitude Modulation (PAM), Pulse Position Modulation (PPM)
 - Digital: Pulse Coded Modulation (PAM+Quantization)

ADSL modem



Analog vs Digital Modulation

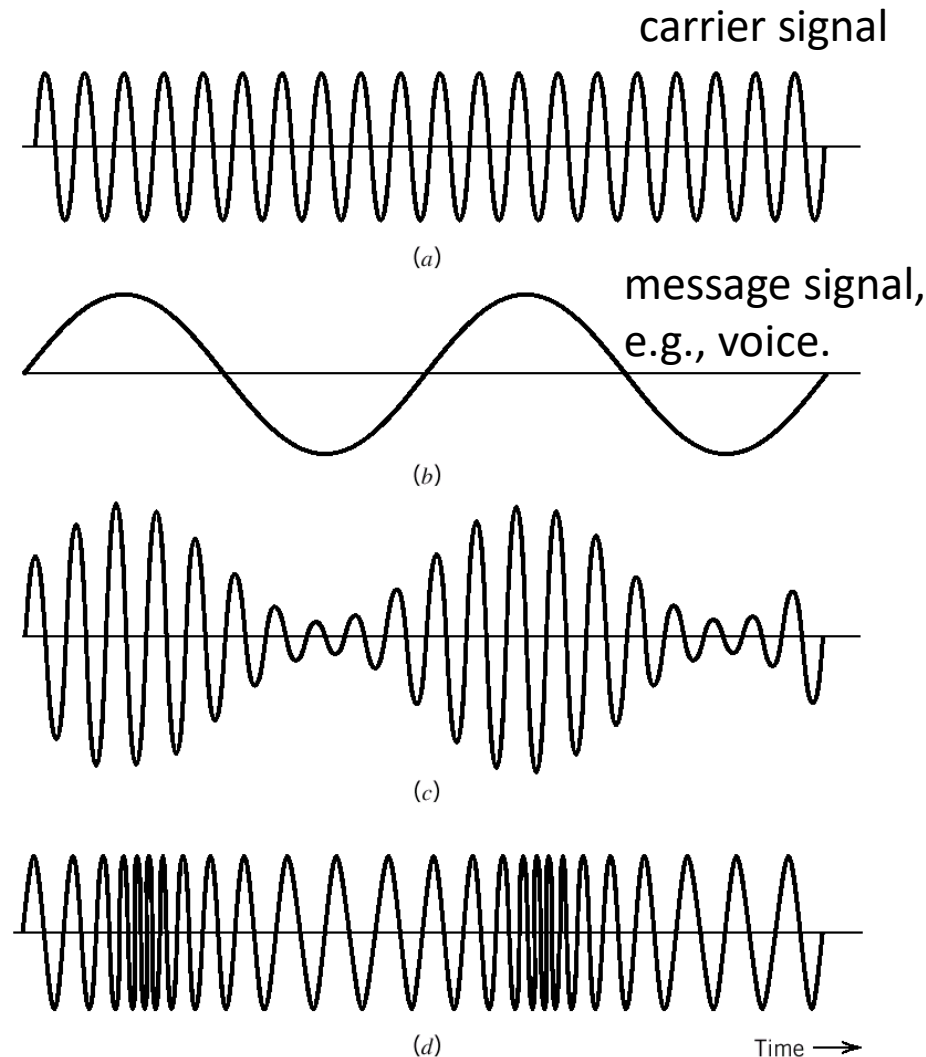
- **Analog Modulation**

- Conceptually simple, and low power.
- Still tolerable at low signal-to-noise ratio (SNR)

But, ...

- Strict linearity requirements
- Does not adapt to the channel easily.

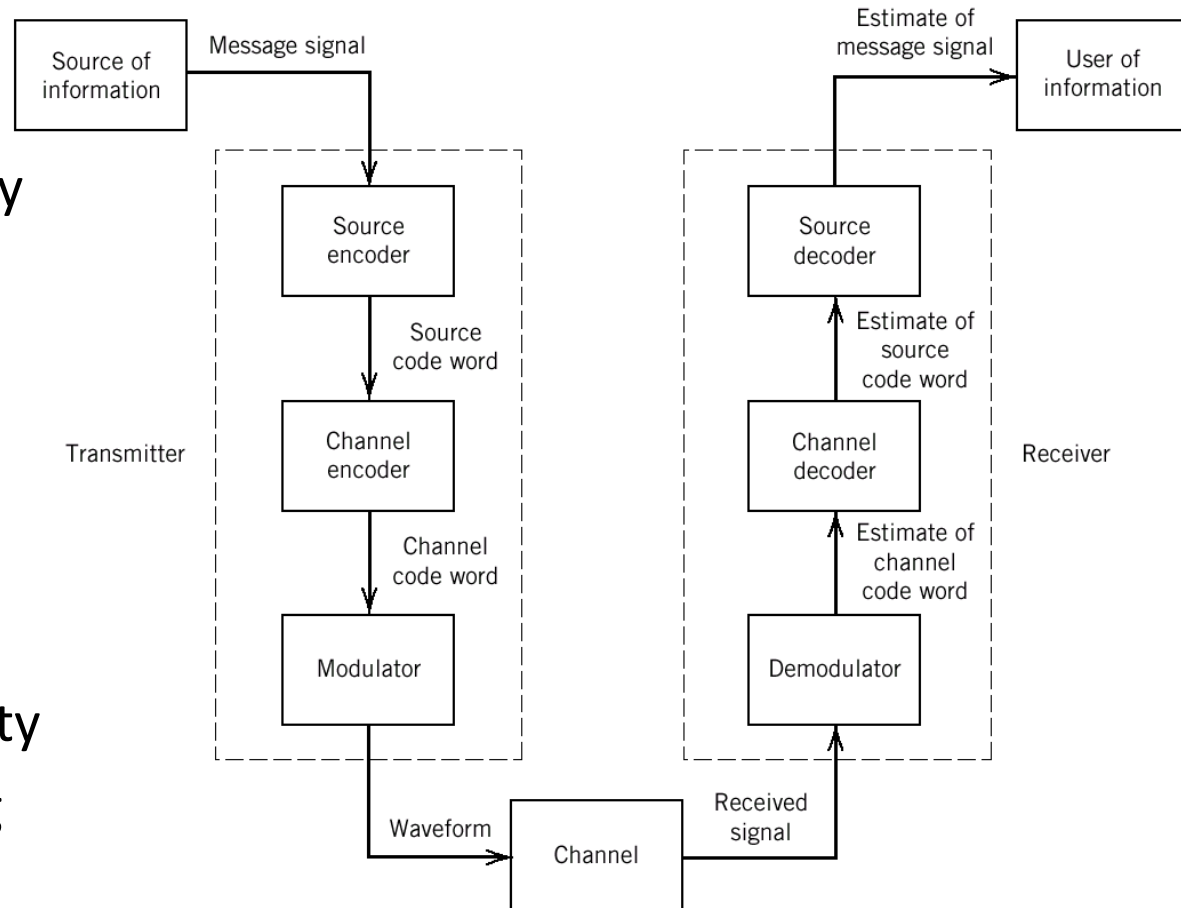
➔ E.g., AM and FM radios



Analog vs Digital Modulation (cont'd)

- **Digital Modulation**

- Treats different sources the same way
- Waveforms adapt optimally to the channel
- Ability to perform channel coding
- Ability to perform encryption for security
- Ease of integrating different systems.



➔ E.g., mobile communications, WiFi, bluetooth

Source and Channel Coding

- **Source Coding:** Remove redundancy from the data. (E.g., JPEG, MPEG, MP3, ZIP etc)



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010100001011111010
001011110010100000
101111110101010110
001100001111001010
101101010101010101
010111010101010101
010101010101010101
010101000001111101
011110100100001101
010101010100001111
101010101011010101
010101010101010001
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010101101010101001
010101011100011001
110010010
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- **Channel Coding:** Insert controlled redundancy to combat channel errors.

e.g. repetition code

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010101011100011001
110010010
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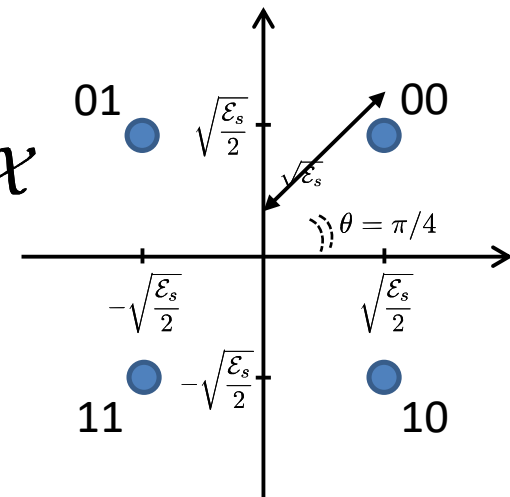


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00111000111000000
11100011100011100
01110001111111110
00000000111111000
00011111111100000
011100000111000
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(Baseband) Digital Modulation

- **Digital Modulation:** Conversion of digital data streams into continuous-time signals.
 - Binary to M-ary Conversion (e.g. QPSK)

Binary Data	Modulated Symbol
00	$\left(\sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{E}_s}{2}}, \sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{E}_s}{2}}\right)$ or $\left(\sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{E}_s}{2}} + j\sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{E}_s}{2}}\right) \triangleq \mathcal{X}$
01	$\left(-\sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{E}_s}{2}}, \sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{E}_s}{2}}\right)$ or $\left(-\sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{E}_s}{2}} + j\sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{E}_s}{2}}\right)$
11	$\left(-\sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{E}_s}{2}}, -\sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{E}_s}{2}}\right)$ or $\left(-\sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{E}_s}{2}} - j\sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{E}_s}{2}}\right)$
10	$\left(\sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{E}_s}{2}}, -\sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{E}_s}{2}}\right)$ or $\left(\sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{E}_s}{2}} - j\sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{E}_s}{2}}\right)$



- Discrete to Continuous Time Signal

$$x(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n] \cdot p(t - nT_s) \triangleq x_r(t) + jx_i(t)$$

where $x[n] = x_r[n] + jx_i[n] \in \mathcal{X}$ and T_s is the symbol period.

(→ Modulate onto different carriers (frequencies) to obtain OFDM symbols.)

Contents to Cover

- Chapter 1 - Introduction to Communication Systems
- Chapter 2 - Fourier Theory and Communication Signals
- Chapter 3 - Amplitude Modulation
- Chapter 4 - Phase and Frequency Modulation
- Chapter 5 - Random Variables and Processes
- Chapter 6 - Noise in Analog Modulation
- Chapter 7 - Digital Representation of Analog Signals
 - Sampling, Quantization, Pulse Modulation
- Chapter 8 - Baseband Transmission of Digital Signals
 - Matched Filtering, Inter-symbol Interference (ISI), Equalization, etc.

Readings and Questions

- Readings: Chapters 1 and 2
- Questions:
 - What is a communication system?
 - What are its basic components?
 - How do I represent a signal in time and frequency?
 - What is the representation when passed through a linear time-invariant system?
 - What is bandwidth?
 - What is the difference between baseband and bandpass systems?
 - How do you convert a baseband signal to a bandpass signal?