

Experiment No. 7 (IEC2023006) :

Aim:

To analyze the Bit Error Rate (BER) performance of a Quadrature Phase Shift Keying (QPSK) system over an AWGN channel using Simulink and compare simulated BER with theoretical BER.

Theory:

1. QPSK Modulation :

QPSK is a digital modulation technique where **2 bits** are mapped into **one symbol**, represented by:

$$s_k = A [\cos(\theta_k) + j \sin(\theta_k)], \quad \theta_k = \frac{\pi}{2}(2k + 1)$$

It provides:

- Higher spectral efficiency than BPSK
- Same energy per bit
- Robust performance in AWGN channels

2. AWGN Channel :

The channel adds noise $n(t) \sim N(0, N_0/2)$

Signal received: $\mathbf{r(t)=s(t)+n(t)}$

3. Theoretical BER of QPSK :

QPSK BER equals BPSK BER:

$$P_b = Q\left(\sqrt{2\frac{E_b}{N_0}}\right)$$

Where:

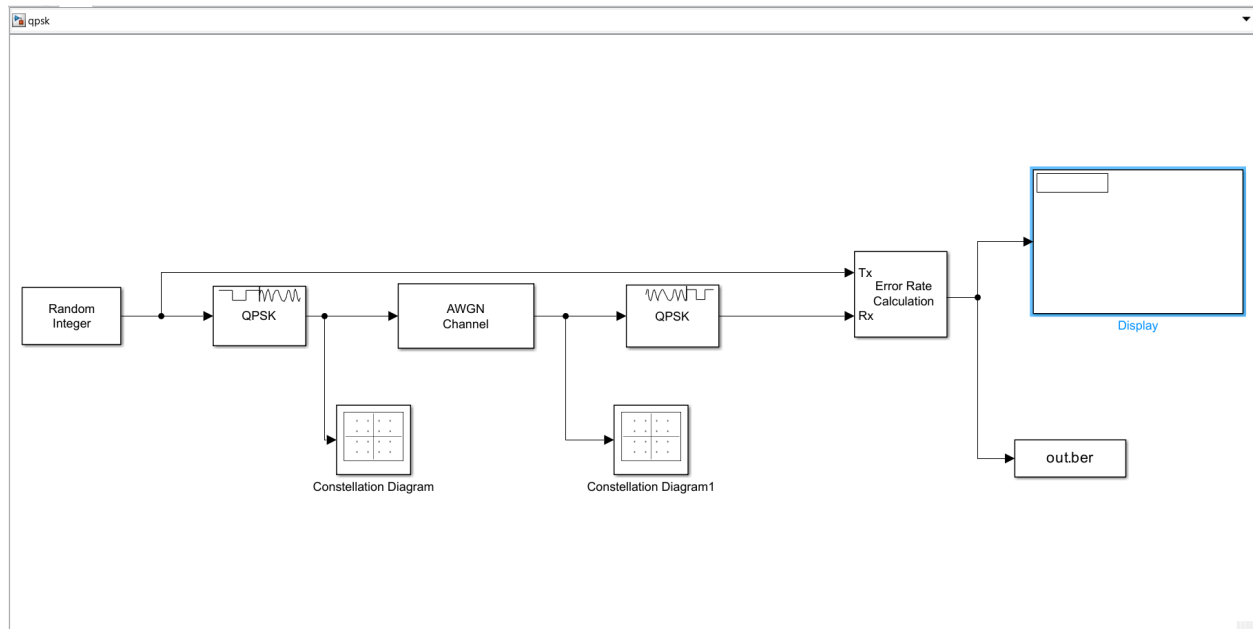
$$Q(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_x^\infty e^{-u^2/2} du$$

Simulink Model Description :

The Simulink model includes:

1. Random Integer Generator : Generates random data symbols (0,1,2,3)
2. QPSK Modulator : Maps integers to QPSK constellation points.
3. AWGN Channel : Adds noise based on selected E_b/N_0 .
4. QPSK Demodulator : Recovers symbols.
5. Error Rate Calculation Block : Compares transmitted and received symbols.

6. Constellation Diagram Blocks : Shows before/after noise scatter.



Simulation Parameters (Theoretical):

Bit Error Rate Analysis*

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E_b/N₀ range:0:20 dB

Channel type:AWGN

Modulation type:QPSK

Modulation order:4

☐ Differential encoding

Channel coding:

None

Convolutional

Block

Synchronization:

Perfect synchronization

Normalized timing error:0

RMS phase error (rad):0

Plot

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Simulation environment:

☐ MATLAB

☒ Simulink

Model name:D:\class\DC\qpsk bit error rate\qpsk.slxBrowse...

BER variable name:ber

Simulation limits:

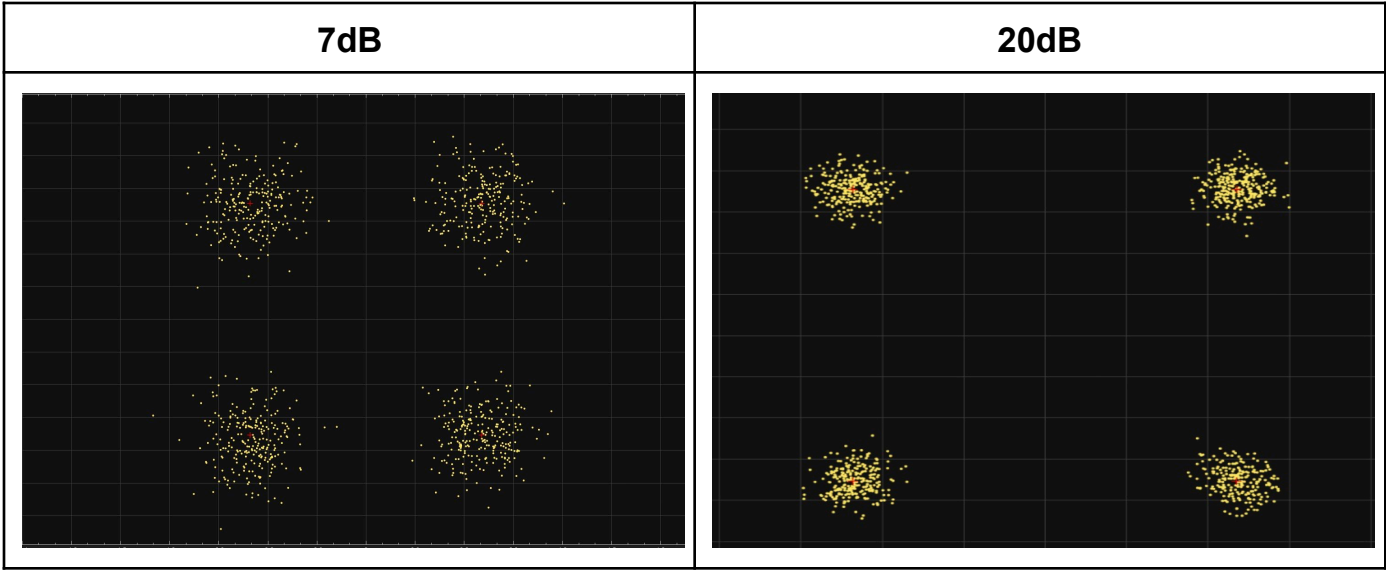
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Run

Results :

1. Constellation Plots

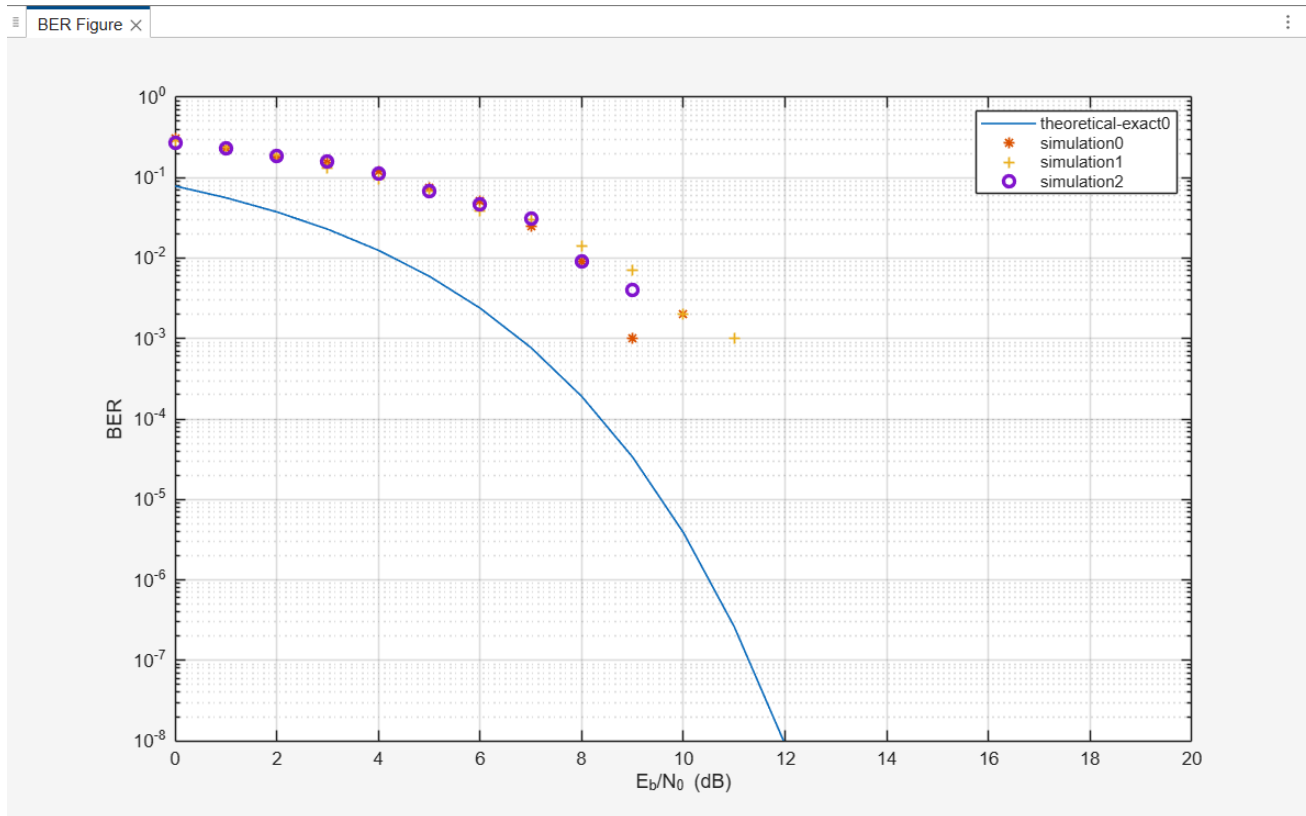
- **High noise:** 4-symbol constellation at QPSK positions at 7db.
- **Low noise:** Clusters spread depending on SNR 20db.



2. BER Curve

The plotted BER vs E_b/N_0 graph shows:

- BER **decreases exponentially** with increasing E_b/N_0 .
- Simulated BER approaches theoretical BER for **large number of bits**.
- At low SNR (0–5 dB), noise causes significant symbol errors.
- At high SNR (>12 dB), simulation approaches **error-free performance**.



Conclusion :

The experiment successfully demonstrated BER performance of a QPSK system under AWGN conditions. Simulation results closely follow the theoretical BER curve, validating the QPSK modulation and demodulation process.

Higher SNR significantly improves BER, confirming that QPSK is a robust and bandwidth-efficient modulation scheme.