

Wireless Digital Data Communication

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Course Overview



Analog Digital Transmission



Analog Transmission of Digital Data

- Amplitude Shift Keying
- Frequency Shift Keying
- Phase Shift Keying
- Quadratic Amplitude Modulation

Modulation – process of converting digital data or a low-pass analog to band-pass (higher-frequency) analog signal.





- **Carrier Signal** aka carrier freq. or <u>modulated signal</u> high freq. signal that acts as a basis for the information signal
 - information signal is called modulating signal



Amplitude Shift Keying

- Strength of carrier signal is varied to represent binary 1 or 0
- Both frequency & phase remain constant while amplitude changes
- Commonly, one of the amplitudes is zero



Working Example



Frequency Shift Keying

- Frequency of carrier signal is varied to represent binary 1 or 0
- Peak amplitude & phase remain constant during each bit interval



- Demodulator must be able to determine which of two possible frequencies is present at a given time
- Advantage: FSK is less susceptible to errors than ASK receiver looks for specific frequency changes over a number of intervals, so voltage (noise) spikes can be ignored
- Disadvantage: FSK spectrum is 2 x ASK spectrum
- Application: over voice lines, in high-freq. radio transmission, etc.



Phase Shift Keying

- Phase of carrier signal is varied to represent binary 1 or 0
- Peak amplitude & freq. remain constant during each bit interval
- Example: binary 1 = 00 phase, binary 0 = 1800 (π rad) phase
- ⇒ PSK is equivalent to multiplying carrier signal by +1 when the information is 1, and by -1 when the information is 0

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline \textbf{2-PSK, or} & \textbf{Binary PSK,} \\ \hline \textbf{Binary PSK,} \\ \text{since only 2} \\ \text{different phases} \\ \text{are used.} \end{array} & \textbf{s}(t) = \begin{cases} Acos(2\pi f_c t), & binary 0 \\ Acos(2\pi f_c t), & binary 0 \\ -Acos(2\pi f_c t), & binary 0 \end{cases} & \textbf{h} & \textbf{h} \\ \textbf{s}(t) = \begin{cases} Acos(2\pi f_c t), & binary 1 \\ -Acos(2\pi f_c t), & binary 0 \\ -Acos(2\pi f_c t), & binary 0 \end{cases} & \textbf{h} & \textbf{h} \\ \textbf{s}(t) = \begin{cases} Acos(2\pi f_c t), & binary 1 \\ -Acos(2\pi f_c t), & binary 0 \\ -Acos(2\pi f_c t),$$

- Demodulation: demodulator must determine the phase of received sinusoid with respect to some reference phase
- Advantage: PSK is less susceptible to errors than ASK, while it
- requires/occupies the same bandwidth as ASK more efficient use of bandwidth (higher data-rate) are possible, compared to FSK !!!
- Disadvantage: more complex signal detection / recovery process, than in ASK and FSK



Quadratic Phase Shift Keying

- QPSK = 4-PSK –PSK that uses phase shifts of $900=\pi/2$ rad $\Rightarrow 4$
- Different signals generated, each representing 2 bits



- Advantage: higher data rate than in PSK (2 bits per bit interval), while bandwidth occupancy remains the same
- 4-PSK can easily be extended to 8-PSK, i.e. n-PSK
- However, higher rate PSK schemes are limited by the ability of equipment to distinguish small differences in phase



 Constellation Diagram – used to represents possible symbols that may be selected by a given modulation scheme as points in 2-D plane





16-level QAM – the number of bits transmitted per T [sec] interval can be further increased by increasing the number of levels used

- in case of 16-level QAM, A_k and B_k individually can assume 4 different levels: -1, -1/3, 1/3, 1
- data rate: 4 bits/pulse ⇒ 4W bits/second

$$Y(t) = A_{k}\cos(2\pi f_{c}t) + B_{k}\sin(2\pi f_{c}t) = (A_{k}^{2} + B_{k}^{2})^{\frac{1}{2}}\cos(2\pi f_{c}t + \tan^{-1}\frac{B_{k}}{A_{k}})$$



A_k and B_k individually can take on 4 different values; the resultant signal can take on (only) 3 different values!!! • Propose a sensor system architecture to detect air pollutants in a room.

