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## Sistemi e Reti Wireless



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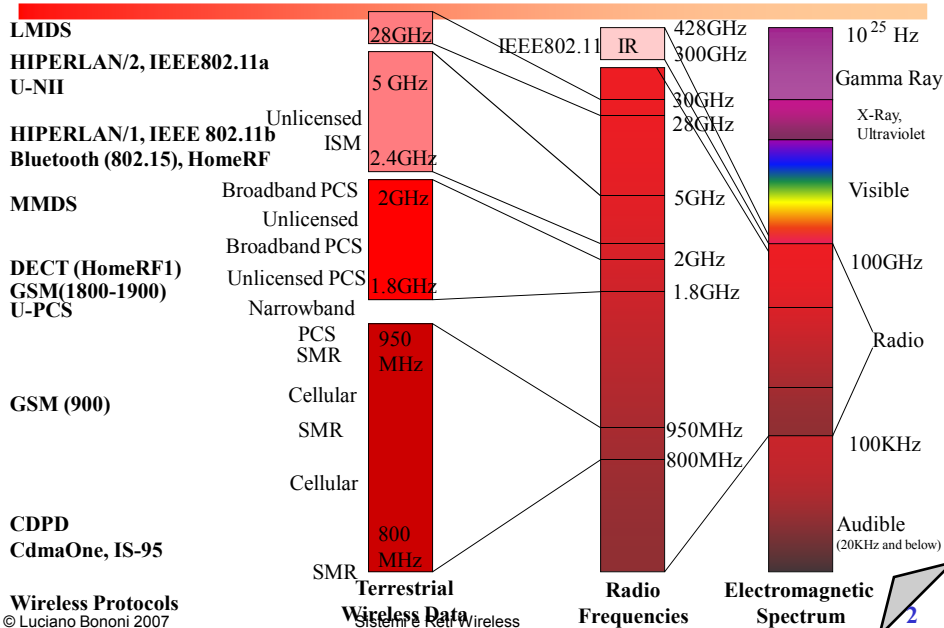
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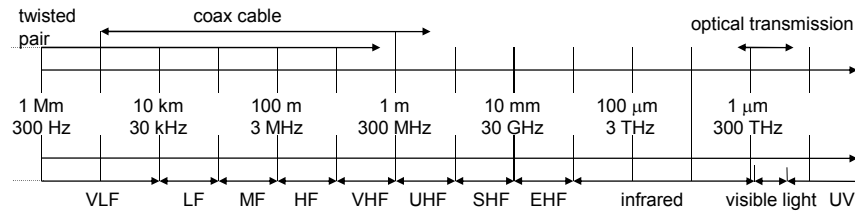
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### Wireless networks' spectrum



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## Frequencies for (wired and wireless) communicat.



- VLF = Very Low Frequency
- LF = Low Frequency
- MF = Medium Frequency
- HF = High Frequency
- VHF = Very High Frequency
- Frequency and wave length:
  - $\lambda = c/f$
  - wave length  $\lambda$ , speed of light  $c \approx 3 \times 10^8 \text{m/s}$ , frequency  $f$
- UHF = Ultra High Frequency
- SHF = Super High Frequency
- EHF = Extra High Frequency
- UV = Ultraviolet Light

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## Frequencies for mobile communication

- VHF/UHF ranges for mobile radio
  - simple, small antenna for cars
  - deterministic propagation characteristics, reliable connections
- SHF and higher for directed radio links, satellite communication
  - small antenna, large bandwidth available
- Wireless LANs use frequencies in UHF to SHF spectrum
  - some systems planned up to EHF
  - limitations due to absorption by water and oxygen molecules (resonance frequencies)
    - weather dependent fading, signal loss caused by heavy rainfall...

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## Frequencies and regulations

- ITU-R holds auctions for new frequencies, manages frequency bands worldwide (WRC, World Radio Conferences)

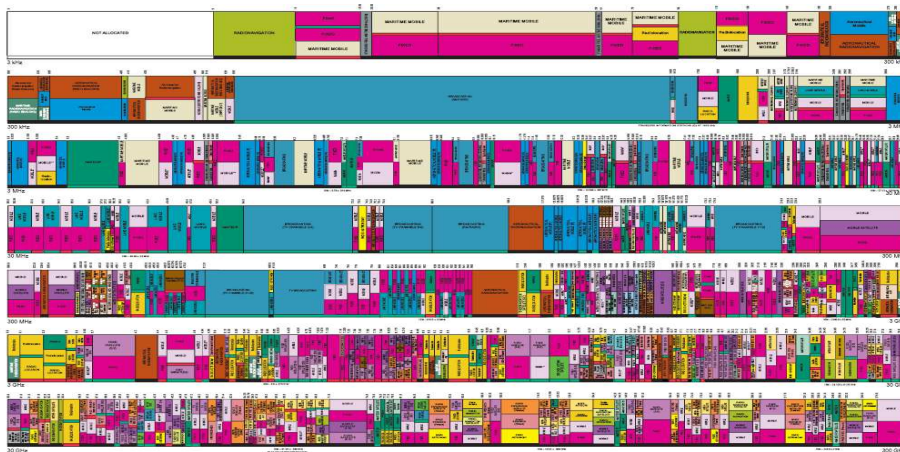
|                        | Europe   | USA   | Japan   |
|------------------------|--|---|---|
| <b>Cellular Phones</b> | <b>GSM</b> 450-457, 479-486/460-467, 489-496, 890-915/935-960, 1710-1785/1805-1880<br><b>UMTS (FDD)</b> 1920-1980, 2110-2190<br><b>UMTS (TDD)</b> 1900-1920, 2020-2025 | <b>AMPS, TDMA, CDMA</b> 824-849, 869-894<br><b>TDMA, CDMA, GSM</b> 1850-1910, 1930-1990 | <b>PDC</b> 810-826, 940-956, 1429-1465, 1477-1513 |
| <b>Cordless Phones</b> | <b>CT1+</b> 885-887, 930-932<br><b>CT2</b> 864-868<br><b>DECT</b> 1880-1900  | <b>PACS</b> 1850-1910, 1930-1990<br><b>PACS-UB</b> 1910-1930                            | <b>PHS</b> 1895-1918<br><b>JCT</b> 254-380        |
| <b>Wireless LANs</b>   | <b>IEEE 802.11</b> 2400-2483<br><b>HIPERLAN 2</b> 5150-5350, 5470-5725   | 902-928<br><b>IEEE 802.11</b> 2400-2483<br>5150-5350, 5725-5825                         | <b>IEEE 802.11</b> 2471-2497<br>5150-5250         |
| <b>Others</b>          | <b>RF-Control</b> 27, 128, 418, 433, 868   | <b>RF-Control</b> 315, 915  | <b>RF-Control</b> 426, 868                        |

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## Fixed spectrum assignment



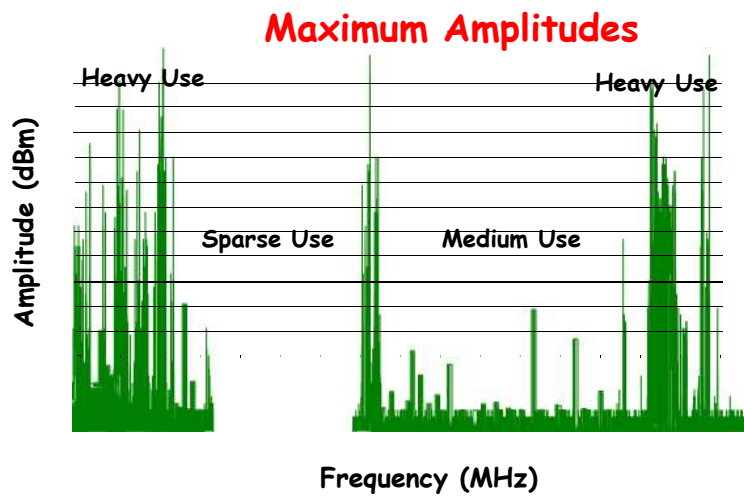
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## Fixed spectrum utilization



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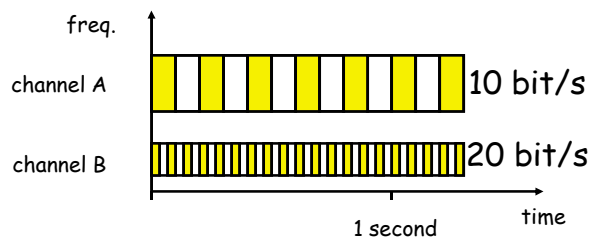
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## Wireless networks Bandwidth and Spectrum

- **how can wireless channels have different bandwidth?**
  - bits run less or more faster? (NO)
    - Light speed:  $\sim <300.000 \text{ Km/s}$  for every bit
  - the channel pipe (spectrum) is bigger (YES/NO)
  - the channel requires less time to accomodate (i.e. to code) one bit on the channel (YES)



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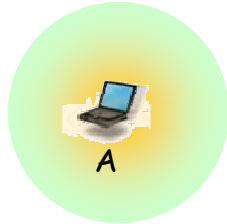
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## Wireless networks' technology

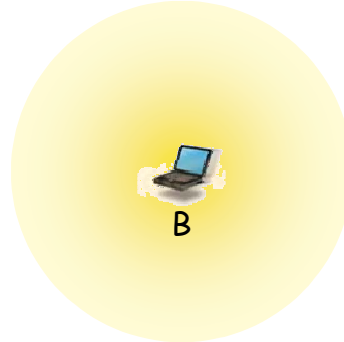
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- Radio transmission coverage

host A (low Tx power)



host B (high Tx power)



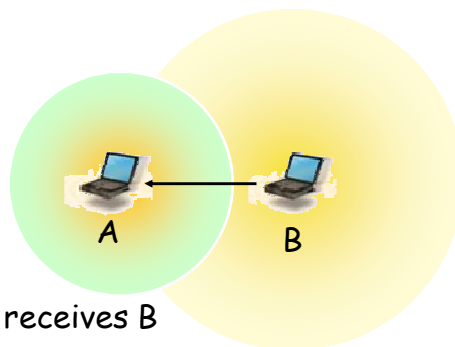
"...is there anybody outthere?"

both isolated

## Wireless networks' technology

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- Radio transmission coverage



A receives B

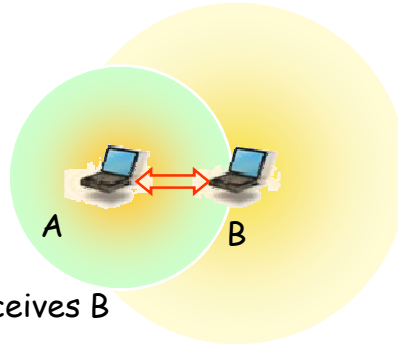
B cannot receive A

unidirectional(\*) link

(\*) sometimes improperly referred  
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- Radio transmission coverage



A receives B

B receives A

bidirectional(\*) link

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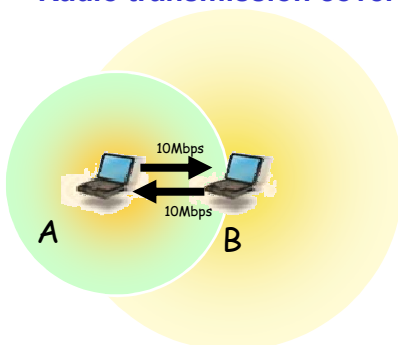
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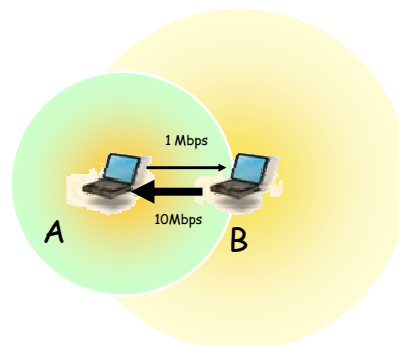
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- Radio transmission coverage



bidirectional symmetric link



bidirectional asymmetric link

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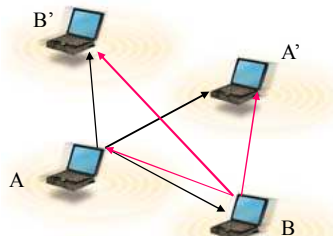
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## Wireless networks' technology

- **Narrowband radio system**
  - transmit/receive using a single radio frequency
- **Spread Spectrum technology**
  - bandwidth efficiency vs. reliability and security
  - Frequency Hopping Spread Spectrum
    - narrowband carrier hopping in a pattern sequence
  - Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum
    - bit coding and transmission spreading over the spectrum
- **Infrared technology**
  - line of sight or diffused, short range (in room)

## Wireless networks' technology

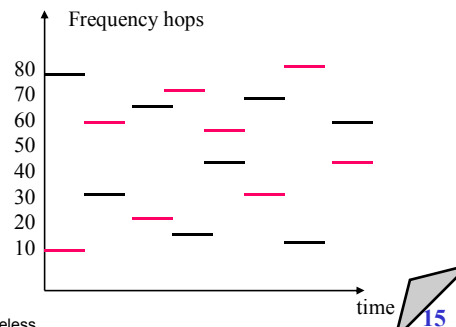
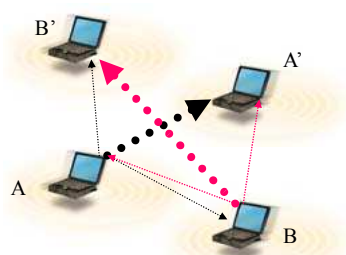
- **Narrowband radio system**
  - transmit/receive using a single, licensed, as narrow as possible radio frequency
  - undesired cross-talk between channels requires coordination and license for each site
  - low data-rates
  - e.g. —→ frequency X
  - e.g. —→ frequency Y



## Wireless networks' technology

### Frequency Hopping Spread Spectrum

- narrow band carrier changes frequency in a pattern known by both transmitter and receiver (single logical channel)
- to unintended receiver FHSS appears as impulse noise



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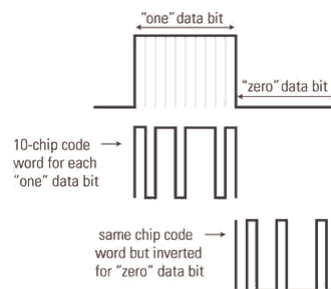
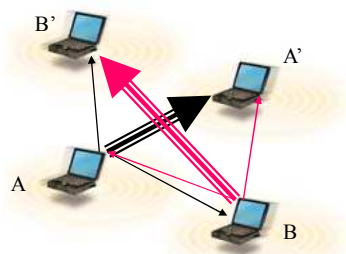
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## Wireless networks' technology

### Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum

- redundant bit pattern (chipping code) spread over a large spectrum. Long chips increase probability of recovering the original bit (with no retransmission)
- to unintended receiver DSSS appears as low power wideband noise



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## Wireless networks' technology

- **Infrared Technology (IR)**

- frequencies just below the visible light
- cannot penetrate opaque objects, and low diffusion
- line-of-sight limitates mobility
- short range technology (indoor, PAN, LAN nets)
- High data-rate potential



## Transmission Technique Comparison

|  | PROS  | CONS   |
|--|---|--|
| Frequency Hopping Spread Spectrum (FHSS) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use less power than DSSS</li> <li>• Lower cost</li> <li>• Increased security due to frequency switching</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lower throughput than DSSS</li> </ul>   |
| Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum (DSSS)   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High performance</li> <li>• Low interference</li> <li>• Increased security due to chip coding</li> </ul>           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expensive</li> </ul>  |
| Narrowband Microwave                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Long distance</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Line-of-sight with satellite dish</li> <li>• Requires FCC license</li> <li>• Not designed for WLAN use</li> </ul> |
| Infrared                                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High bandwidth</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Easily obstructed</li> <li>• Inexpensive</li> </ul>   |

## Wireless networks' coverage classification

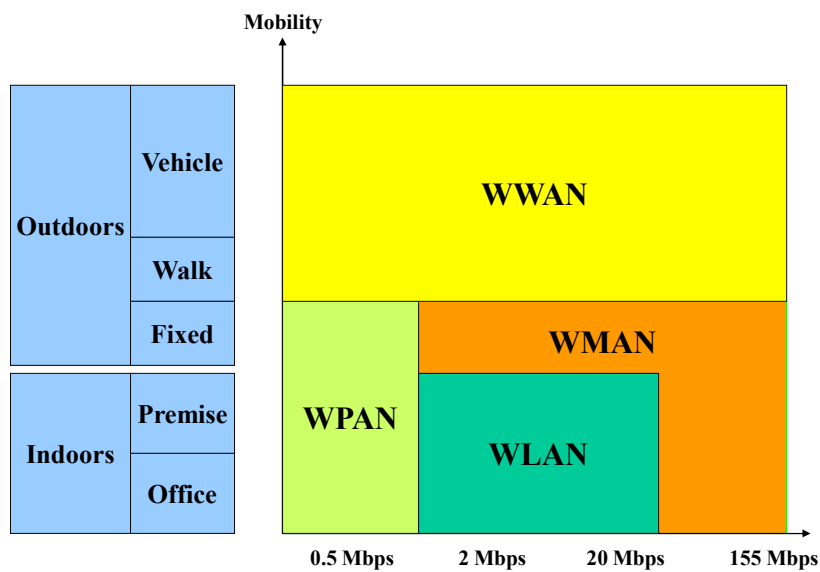
- **Wireless Wide Area Network (WWAN)**
  - geographic coverage (e.g. satellite, cellular)
- **Wireless Metropolitan Area Net. (WMAN)**
  - Metropolitan coverage (e.g. town, large campus)
- **Wireless Local Area Network (WLAN)**
  - local area coverage (e.g. campus, building, home)
- **Wireless Personal Area Network (WPAN)**
  - reduced local area coverage (e.g. house, office)
- **Wireless Indoor Area Network (indoor)**
  - short range coverage (e.g. room, office)

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## Wireless network positioning

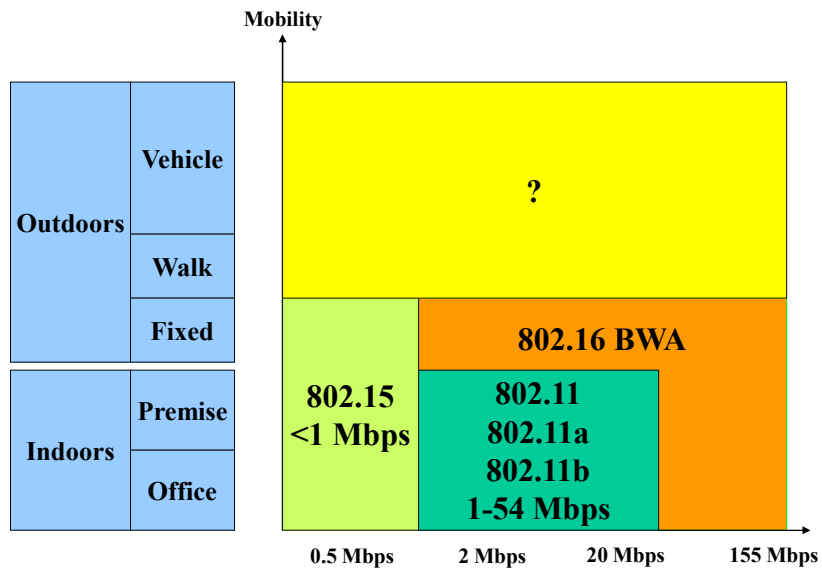


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## IEEE 802 Wireless standards



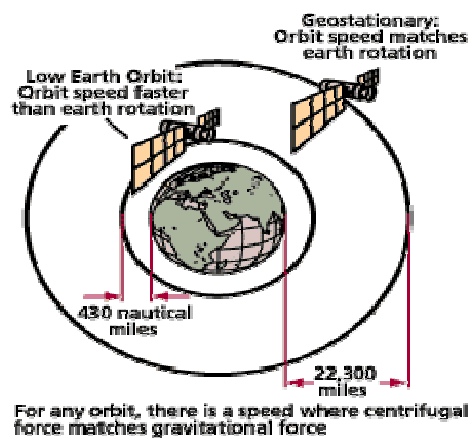
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## Wireless network structures

- **WWAN and WMAN**
  - Satellite (low orbit, geo-stationary)



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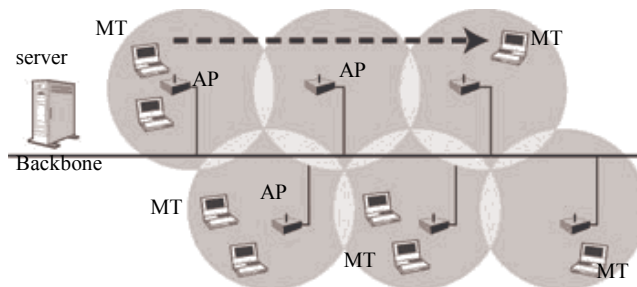
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## Wireless network structures

### ▪ WWAN and WMAN

- Cellular or multi-Infrastructure WLAN
  - grid of Access Points (AP), managing local Mobiles terminals (MT), and connected to Backbones



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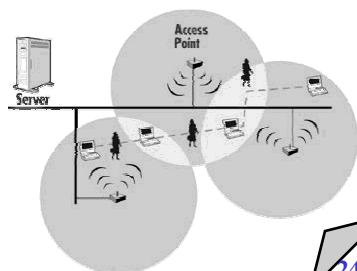
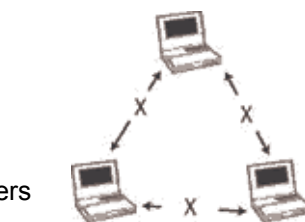
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## Wireless network structures

### ▪ WLAN:

- Ad-Hoc:
  - peer-to-peer (P2P) “on the fly” communication
  - the network “is” the set of computers
  - no administration, no setup, no cost?
- Infrastructure:
  - Centralized control unit (Access Point, local server)
  - Roaming between cells
  - resource sharing and backbone connection



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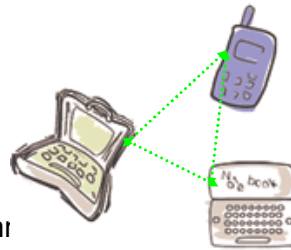
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## Wireless network structures

- **WPAN:**

- cable connection alternative for in-home/office/workspace device connection
- common technology and protocols required (e.g. HomeRF, Bluetooth)



- **Indoor:**

- in room/workspace device connection

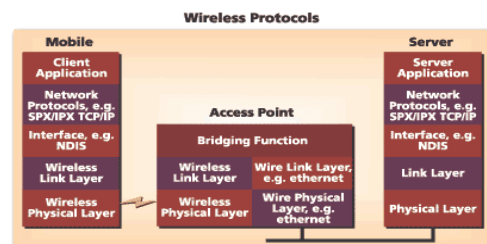
## Wireless/Wired extension

- **Wireless protocols' design, integration, optimization**

- layering, bridging functions
- mobile IP
- support and management for QoS

- **support for Wired-like applications**

- Internet connectivity, DB access, e-mail
- value added services



## Wireless vs. Wired

| Attribute                  | Wireless PAN/LAN   | Wired LAN/PAN   |
|----------------------------|--|---|
| Throughput                 | 1-10 Mbps  | 10-100 Mbps   |
| Integrity & Reliability    | Subject to interference  | Highly reliable   |
| Simplicity/<br>Ease of Use | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No need to pull cable</li> <li>Set up time is significantly lower</li> <li>Moves, additions &amp; changes much simpler</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cable required</li> <li>Set up time is significantly higher</li> </ul> |
| Security                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Susceptible to interception</li> <li>encryption</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not as susceptible to interception</li> </ul>                          |

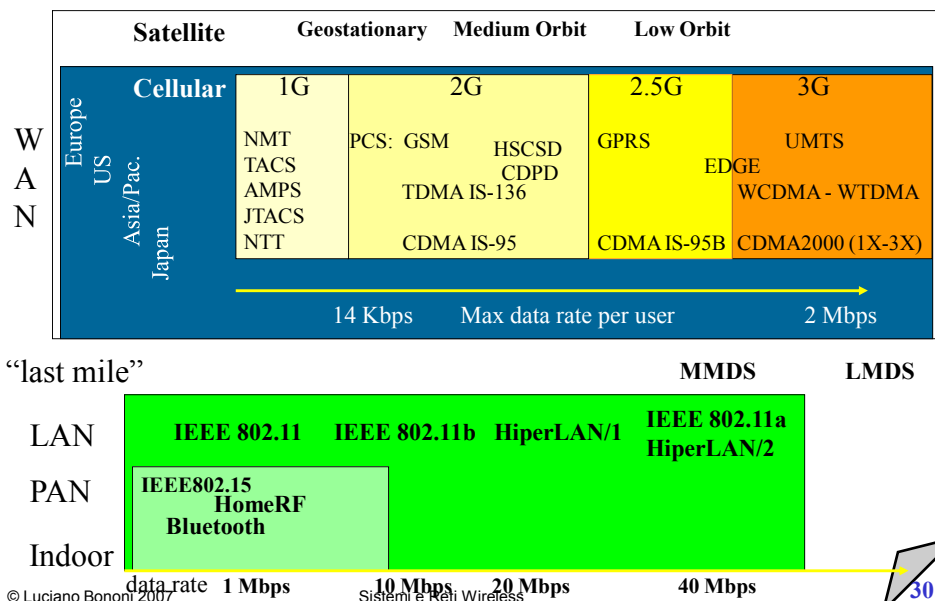
## Wireless vs. Wired

| Attribute   | Wireless LAN/PAN  | Wired LAN/PAN   |
|-------------|---|---|
| Cost        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Initial investment in hardware costs more</li> <li>Installation expenses and maintenance costs can be significantly lower</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Investment cost in hardware lower</li> <li>Installation and maintenance costs can be significantly higher</li> </ul> |
| Scalability | simple to complex networks  | simple to complex networks  |
| Safety      | Very little exposure to radio frequency energy  | No exposure to radio frequency energy   |
| Mobility    | Provides access to real-time information anywhere   | Does not support mobility   |

## Wireless networks' interoperability

- **...with the Wired Infrastructure:**
  - most WLANs support industry-standard like Ethernet (802.3) and Token-Ring (802.5)
  - newer solutions support ATM, FireWire, PPP...
- **...with other Wireless infrastructures:**
  - several types of interoperability are possible
  - the role of Standard definitions is to allow compliant products to interoperate
  - interference is possible in co-located solutions
  - security achieved through encryption

## Wireless networks' taxonomy



## Wireless World means...

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- **New assumptions for the physical system...**
- **...willing to maintain needs for services and applications**
  - e.g. audio/video applications, interactive services
- **... dealing with limited resources (e.g. bandwidth, energy)**
- **... dealing with device limits (I/O, user interfaces)**
  - limited display, no keyboard, no mouse
- **... mobility of users and devices**
  - variable number of users in the system
- **... QoS problems, reliability, negotiation**

## Wireless World integration

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- **One possible solution for Integraton with wired world:**
  - to uncouple wired and wireless networks
  - protocol integration, maintaining services and protocols view from both sides
  - protocols and SW structures to adapt the contents transferred to etherogeneous devices
  - adaptive behavior of network protocols (from the wireless side)
    - the wired host does not know if the other host is wireless and dialogue with it in the standard wireless way (protocol transparency)
    - the wireless host know it is wireless and implements adaptive behavior



## Wireless drawbacks

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- **reduced Channel Capacity (1 or 2 order of magnitude)**
  - e.g. 54 Mbps vs. Gigabit Ethernet
- **Limited spectrum (heterogeneous frequency windows) available**
  - need for international frequency-allocation plans
  - need for frequency reuse
- **Limited energy (batteries): +20% every 5 years**
  - Moore law: SoC transistors double every year
- **Noise and Interference have great impact on performances and system design**
  - need for high power, bit error correction
- **Security: sensible information travels “on the air”**
  - need for protection based on cyphering, authentication, etc.

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## Wireless drawbacks

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- **Mobility management**
  - addressing and routing (eg. Mobile IP)
- **Location Tracking**
  - Broadcasting (paging) to find users/hosts
  - support for Location Based Services
- **QoS Management**
  - not a single layer management (application, transport, network, MAC)
  - depends on the system/user/application scenario
  - managed for the wireless cell only (no multi-hop)
  - advance reservation, admission control policies (centralized, distributed)
  - scheduling (centralized, distributed) for resources' allocation
- **Best effort services**

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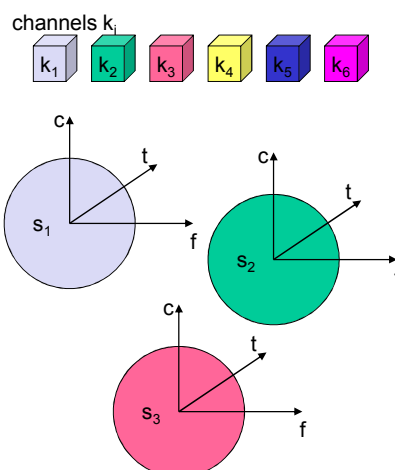
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## Logical wireless channel

## Multiplexing: multiple use of shared medium

### ▪ Multiplexing in 4 dimensions

- space ( $s_i$ )
- time ( $t$ )
- frequency ( $f$ )
- code ( $c$ )

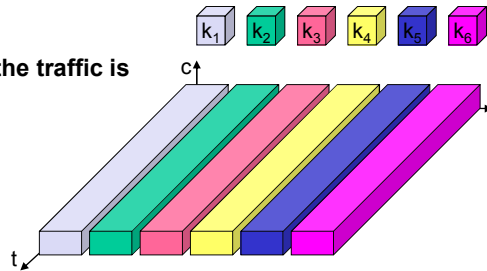


### ▪ Goal: multiple use of a shared medium

### ▪ Important: guard spaces needed!

## Frequency multiplex

- Separation of the whole spectrum into smaller frequency bands
- A channel gets a certain band of the spectrum for the whole time
- Advantages:
  - no dynamic coordination necessary
  - works also for analog signals
- Disadvantages:
  - waste of bandwidth if the traffic is distributed unevenly
  - inflexible
  - guard spaces



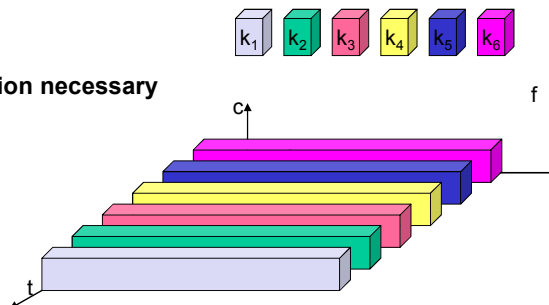
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## Time multiplex

- A channel gets the whole spectrum for a certain amount of time
- Advantages:
  - only one carrier in the medium at any time
  - throughput high even for many users
- Disadvantages:
  - precise synchronization necessary



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## Time and frequency multiplex

- **Combination of both methods**
- **A channel gets a certain frequency band for a certain amount of time**

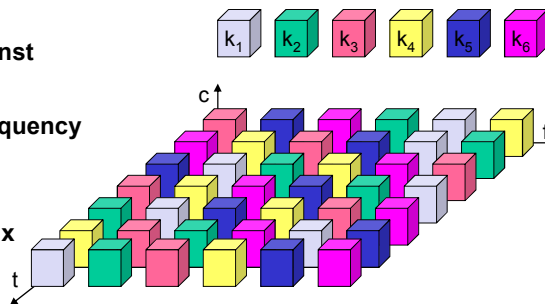
- Example: GSM

- **Advantages:**

- better protection against tapping
- protection against frequency selective interference
- higher data rates compared to code mux

- **but:**

- precise coordination required



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## Code multiplex

- **Each channel has a unique code**
- **All channels use the same spectrum at the same time**

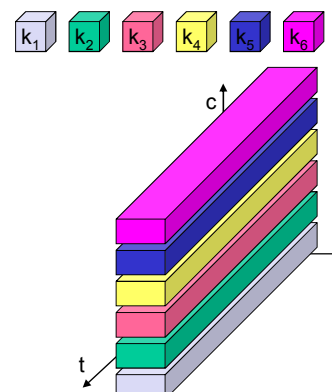
- **Advantages:**

- bandwidth efficient
- no coordination and synchronization necessary
- good protection against interference and tapping

- **Disadvantages:**

- lower user data rates
- more complex signal regeneration (€)

- **Implemented using spread spectrum technology**



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## Space division mux: cell structure

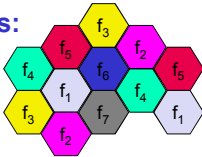
- **space division multiplex:**
  - base station covers a certain transmission area (cell)
- **Mobile stations communicate only via the base station**
- **Advantages of cell structures:**
  - higher capacity, higher number of users
  - less transmission power needed
  - more robust, decentralized
  - base station deals with interference, transmission area etc. locally
- **Problems:**
  - fixed network needed for the base stations (infrastructure)
  - handover (changing from one cell to another) necessary
  - interference with other cells
- **Cell sizes from some 100 m in cities to, e.g., 35 km on the country side (GSM) - even less for higher frequencies**

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## Frequency planning I

- **Frequency reuse only with a certain distance between the base stations**
- **Standard model using 7 frequencies:**
- **Fixed frequency assignment:**
  - certain frequencies are assigned to a certain cell
  - problem: different traffic load in different cells
- **Dynamic frequency assignment:**
  - base station chooses frequencies depending on the frequencies already used in neighbor cells
  - more capacity in cells with more traffic
  - assignment can also be based on interference measurements

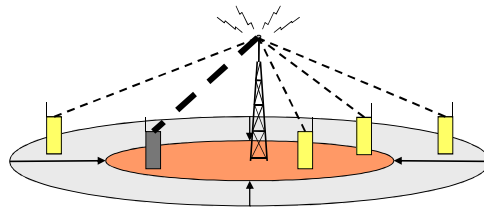
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## Cell breathing

- **CDM systems: cell size depends on current load**
- **Additional traffic appears as noise to other users**
- **If the noise level is too high users drop out of cells**



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## Modulation

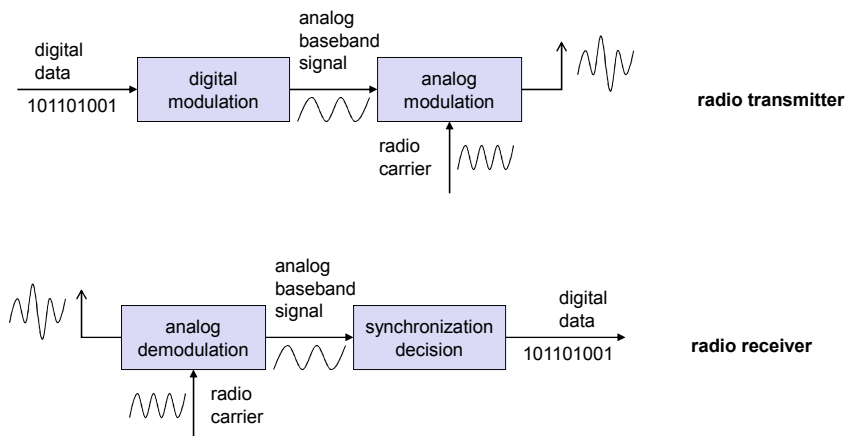
- **Digital modulation**
  - digital data is translated into an analog signal (baseband)
  - ASK, FSK, PSK differences in spectral efficiency, power efficiency, robustness
- **Analog modulation**
  - shifts center frequency of baseband signal up to the radio carrier (i.e. FM)
- **Motivation**
  - smaller antennas (e.g.,  $\lambda/4$ )
  - Frequency Division Multiplexing
  - medium characteristics
- **Basic schemes**
  - Amplitude Modulation (AM)
  - Frequency Modulation (FM)
  - Phase Modulation (PM)

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## Modulation and demodulation



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## Signals I

- **physical representation of data**
  - function of time and location
- **signal parameters: parameters representing the value of data**
- **classification**
  - continuous time/discrete time
  - continuous values/discrete values
  - analog signal = continuous time and continuous values
  - digital signal = discrete time and discrete values
- **signal parameters of periodic signals: period T, frequency  $f=1/T$ , amplitude A, phase shift  $\phi$** 
  - sine wave as special periodic signal for a carrier:

$$s(t) = A_t \sin(2 \pi f_t t + \phi_t)$$

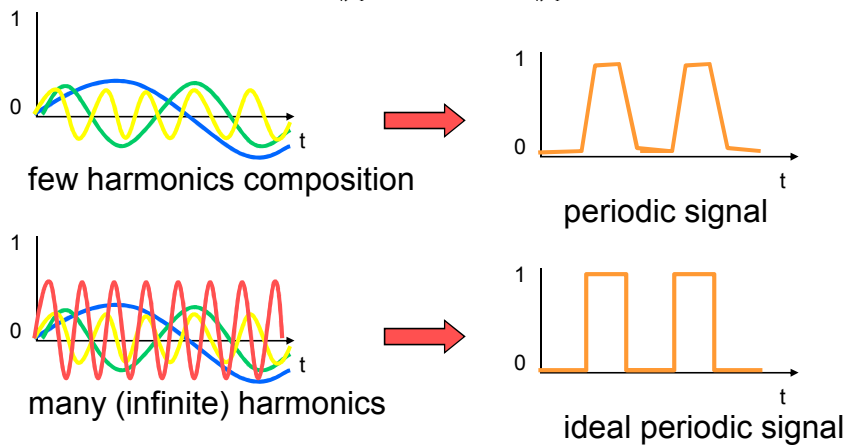
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## Fourier representation of periodic signals

$$g(t) = \frac{1}{2}c + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \sin(2\pi nft) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \cos(2\pi nft)$$



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## Digital modulation

### Modulation of digital signals known as Shift Keying

#### Amplitude Shift Keying (ASK):

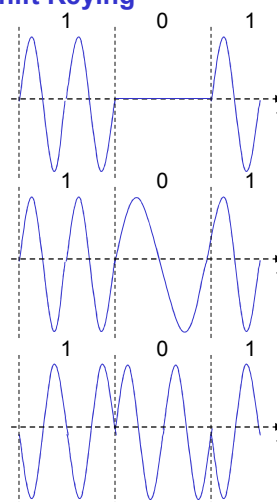
- very simple
- low bandwidth requirements
- very susceptible to interference

#### Frequency Shift Keying (FSK):

- needs larger bandwidth

#### Phase Shift Keying (PSK):

- more complex
- robust against interference



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## Advanced Frequency Shift Keying

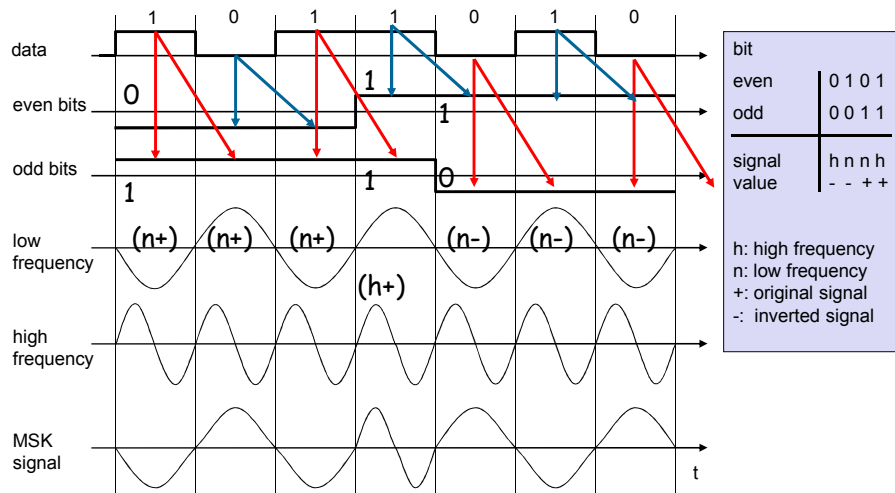
- bandwidth needed for FSK depends on the distance between the carrier frequencies (range of frequency variation).
- special pre-computation avoids sudden phase shifts  
→ MSK (Minimum Shift Keying)
- bit separated into even and odd bits, the duration of each bit is doubled
- depending on the bit values (even, odd) the higher or lower frequency, original or inverted is chosen
- the frequency of one carrier is twice the frequency of the other
- Equivalent to offset QPSK (relative to last two phase changes)
  - (US) IS 136, PACS, (Jap) PHS
- even higher bandwidth efficiency using a Gaussian low-pass filter  
→ GMSK (Gaussian MSK), used in GSM

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## Example of MSK



No phase shifts!

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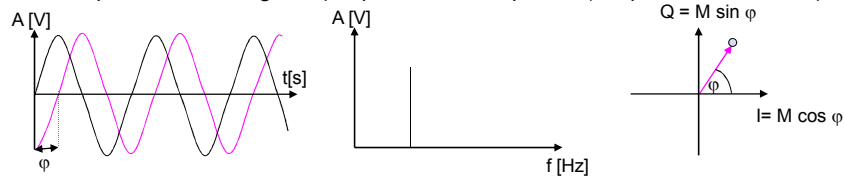
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## Signals II

- **Different representations of signals**

- amplitude (amplitude domain)
- frequency spectrum (frequency domain)
- phase state diagram (amplitude  $M$  and phase  $\varphi$  in polar coordinates)



- **Composed signals transferred into frequency domain using Fourier transformation**

- **Digital signals need**

- infinite frequencies for perfect transmission
- modulation with a carrier frequency for transmission (analog signal!)

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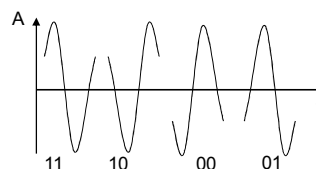
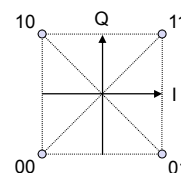
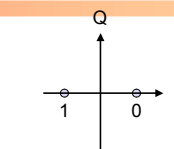
## Advanced Phase Shift Keying

- **BPSK (Binary Phase Shift Keying):**

- bit value 0: sine wave
- bit value 1: inverted sine wave
- very simple PSK
- low spectral efficiency
- robust, used e.g. in satellite systems

- **QPSK (Quadrature Phase Shift Keying):**

- 2 bits coded as one symbol
- symbol determines shift of sine wave
- needs less bandwidth compared to BPSK
- more complex



- **Often also transmission of relative, not absolute phase shift: DQPSK - Differential QPSK (IS-136, PHS)**

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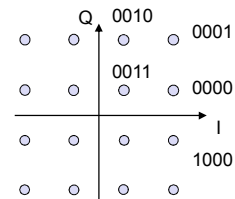
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## Quadrature Amplitude Modulation

- Quadrature Amplitude Modulation (QAM): combines amplitude and phase modulation
- it is possible to code  $n$  bits using one symbol
- $2^n$  discrete levels,  $n=2$  identical to QPSK
- bit error rate increases with  $n$ , but less errors compared to comparable PSK schemes

Example: 16-QAM (4 bits = 1 symbol)



- Symbols 0011 and 0001 have the same phase, but different amplitude.
- 0000 and 1000 have different phase, but same amplitude.
- → used in standard 9600 bit/s modems, Digital TV, in Wi-max OFDM...
- Simulation example:  
<http://www.inue.uni-stuttgart.de/german/lehre/lesungen/uet2/applet/QAM16e.html>

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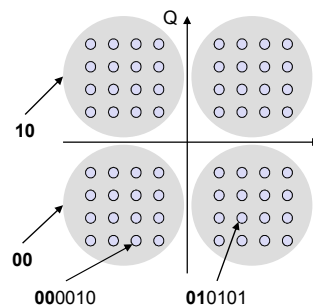
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## Hierarchical Modulation

- modulates two separate data streams onto a single stream
- High Priority (HP) embedded within a Low Priority (LP) stream
- Multi carrier system, about 2000 or 8000 carriers
- QPSK, 16 QAM, 64QAM
- Example: 64QAM

- good reception: resolve the entire 64QAM constellation
- poor reception, mobile reception: resolve only QPSK portion
- 6 bit per QAM symbol, 2 most significant determine QPSK
- HP service coded in QPSK (2 bit), LP uses remaining 4 bit



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## Multi-carrier Modulation (MCM)

- modulates one high rate data stream onto many low rate bit streams each one modulated on a separate sub-carrier
  - **Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing (OFDM)**
    - Is not literally a spread spectrum technology, but it is functionally equivalent
    - Multiple narrowband carriers (with low symbol-rate=strong) modulation (QAM, PSK) = high aggregate symbol rate in the same total bandwidth but more resistant to interference
  - E.g. Digital Audio Broadcasting (DAB): 192 – 1536 subcarriers
- **ISI interference mitigation (few subcarriers affected by selective fading)**
  - Delay spread of direct and main reflected signals between symbols  $x$  and  $x+1$  must be below a certain threshold:
    - <500 nanoseconds or <65 nanoseconds in 802.11b (depending on technology) N.B. This is DSSS!
    - <150 nanoseconds in 802.11g (54 Mbps) N.B. This is OFDM!
- **Orthogonal carriers reduce error probability**

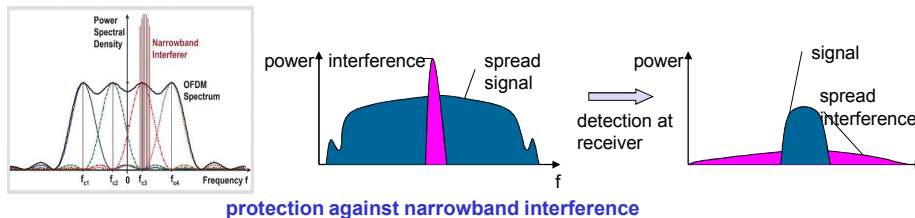
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## Spread spectrum technology

- **Problem of radio transmission: frequency dependent fading can wipe out narrow band signals for duration of the interference**
- **E.g. DSSS modulation and correspondent CDMA access technique spread narrowband signal into a broadband signal using special code**
- **protection against narrow band interference**



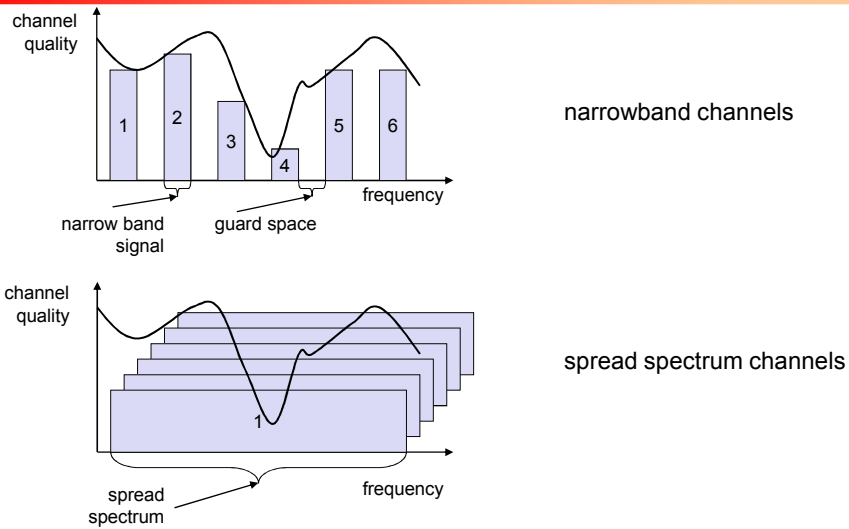
- **Side effects:**
  - coexistence of several signals without dynamic coordination
  - tap-proof (cannot be detected without knowing the code)
- **Spread spectrum modulation Alternatives: Direct Sequence, Frequency Hopping**

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## Spreading and frequency selective fading



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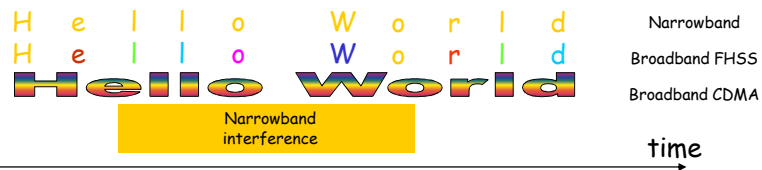
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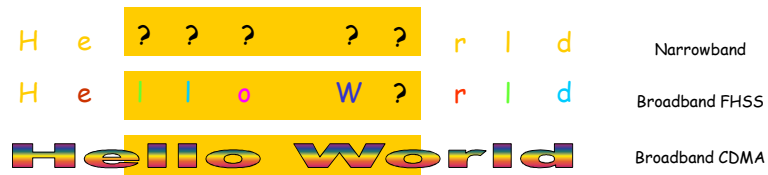
## Spread spectrum technology

### intuitive example: narrowband interference effect on transmission:

- transmit "Hello World" coded using narrowband "yellow" frequency and broadband "many colors" frequencies



- a burst of yellow interference adds to the signal for a significant time: what is the result at the receiver?



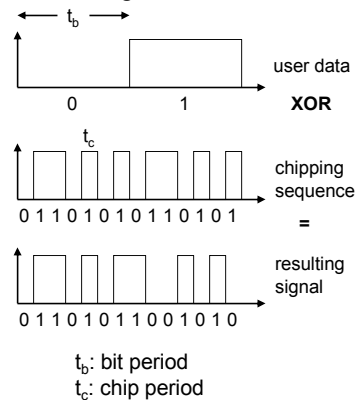
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## DSSS (Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum) I

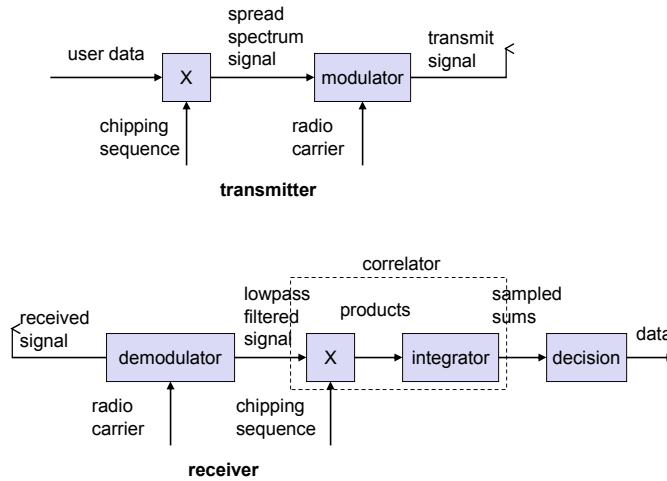
- **XOR of the signal with pseudo-random number (chipping sequence, or Barker sequence)**
  - many chips per bit (e.g., 128) result in higher bandwidth of the signal (low throughput)
- **Advantages**
  - reduces frequency selective fading
  - in cellular networks
    - base stations can use the same frequency range
    - several base stations can detect and recover the signal
    - soft handover
- **Disadvantages**
  - precise power control and synchronization necessary



## DSSS (Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum) IB

- **Resulting signal resemble white noise, but correlation can be exploited by knowing the code (chipping sequence)**
- **Need for strong synchronization between transmitters**
  - Advantage: many transmitters mutually synchronized can achieve a global synchronization (relative timing) which in turn can be used for positioning (e.g. GPS, Galileo)
- **Long chipping sequences for each bit produce high processing gain on the receiver (in dB, similar to using more power). Using a wrong sequence (or no sequence) translates in zero gain (white noise effect). This is the key for implementing the multiple channel access technique based on DSSS: CDMA.**

## DSSS (Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum) II



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## DSSS (Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum) III

DSSS channel frequency assignment

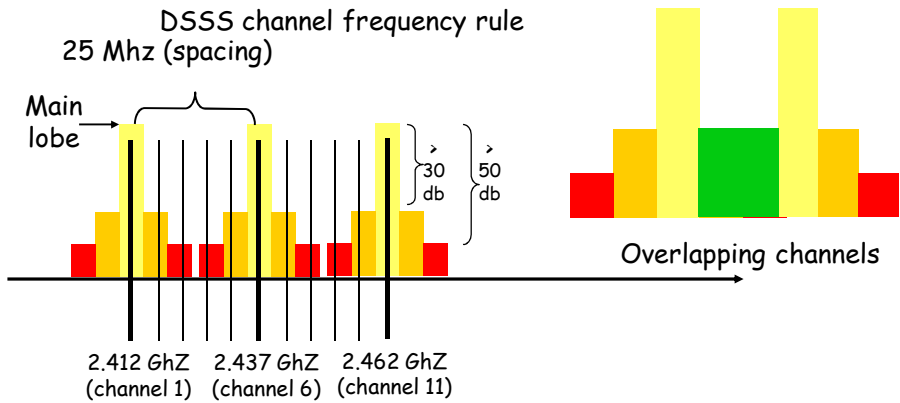
| Channel ID | Channel (center) frequencies (GHz) | USA and Canada | Europe (ETSI) | Spain | Japan | France |
|------------|------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|-------|-------|--------|
| 1          | 2.412                              | Yes            | Yes           |       | Yes   |        |
| 2          | 2.417                              | Yes            | Yes           |       | Yes   |        |
| 3          | 2.422                              | Yes            | Yes           |       | Yes   |        |
| 4          | 2.427                              | Yes            | Yes           |       | Yes   |        |
| 5          | 2.432                              | Yes            | Yes           |       | Yes   |        |
| 6          | 2.437                              | Yes            | Yes           |       | Yes   |        |
| 7          | 2.442                              | Yes            | Yes           |       | Yes   |        |
| 8          | 2.447                              | Yes            | Yes           |       | Yes   |        |
| 9          | 2.452                              | Yes            | Yes           |       | Yes   |        |
| 10         | 2.457                              | Yes            | Yes           | Yes   | Yes   | Yes    |
| 11         | 2.462                              | Yes            | Yes           | Yes   | Yes   | Yes    |
| 12         | 2.467                              |                | Yes           |       | Yes   | Yes    |
| 13         | 2.472                              |                | Yes           |       | Yes   | Yes    |
| 14         | 2.484                              |                |               |       | *     |        |

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## DSSS (Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum) III



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## FHSS (Frequency Hopping Spread Spectrum) I

- **Discrete changes of carrier frequency**
  - sequence of frequency changes determined via pseudo random number sequence (e.g. seed = f(host identifier in Bluetooth))
- **Two versions**
  - Fast Hopping:  
several frequencies per user bit
  - Slow Hopping:  
several user bits per frequency
- **Advantages**
  - frequency selective fading and interference limited to short period
  - simple implementation
  - uses only small portion of spectrum at any time
- **Disadvantages**
  - not as robust as DSSS
  - simpler to detect

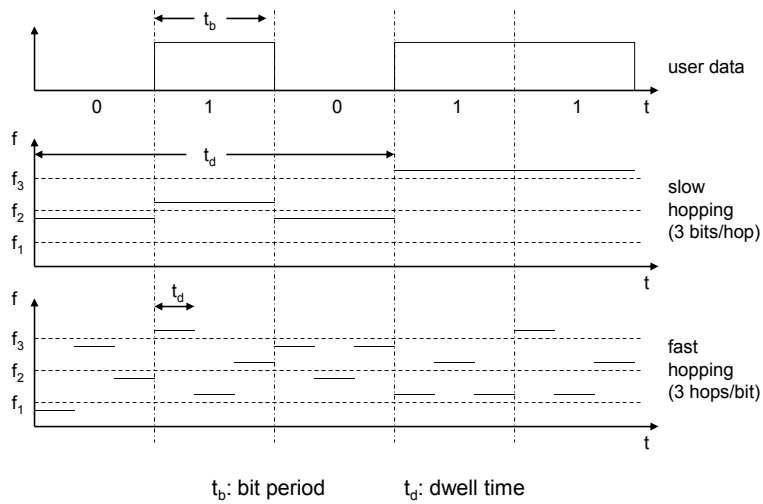
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## FHSS (Frequency Hopping Spread Spectrum) II

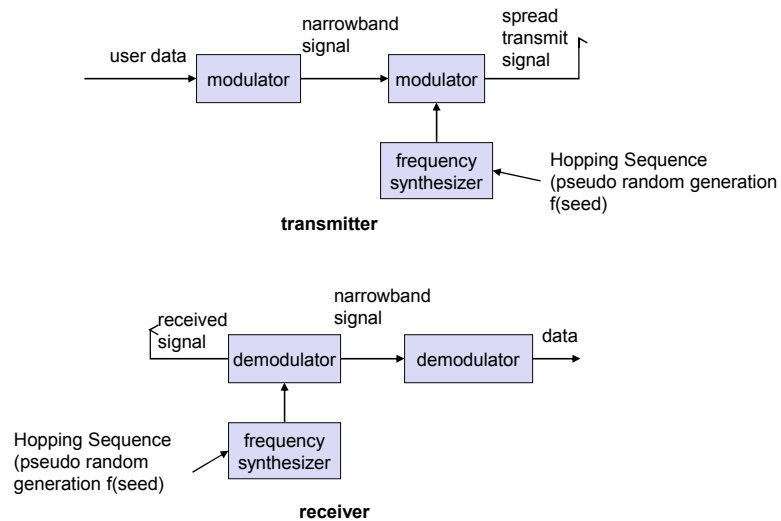


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## FHSS (Frequency Hopping Spread Spectrum) III



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## OFDM

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- **Very accurate adjacent communication channels**
  - Transmit data concurrently in parallel subcarriers
    - No need for separate filter for each sub-channel (like in FDM)
    - High bandwidth efficiency (see Nyquist rate formula)
    - Problem: doppler shift (at high speed) of subcarrier frequencies
  - Harmonics cancelation, low cost Fast Fourier Transform chips
  - Convolution coding (error correction with redundant information)
    - More or less similar to: subcarriers transmit "parity bit"
  - OFDM channels: 20 Mhz divided in 52 sub-carriers (300 KHz)
    - 4 subcarriers used as pilot (management)
    - 48 subcarriers used for data (symbols coding = 1 symbol per subcarrier at a time) = 48 concurrent symbols
  - OFDM in 802.11g is not compatible with DSSS in 802.11b!

## OFDM

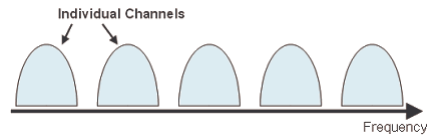
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- **Wireless technologies adopting OFDM:**
  - **Ultra Wide Band (UWB) WPAN:**
    - IEEE 802.15.3a
  - **WLAN:**
    - IEEE 802.11 a, g, n and HIPERLAN/2
  - **Digital radio and TV:**
    - DAB (EU std), DAB+, HD radio,
    - digital Multimedia broadcasting (T-DMB) vs. Digital Video Broadcasting – handheld (DVB-H) in Europe, Digital Video Broadcasting – Terrestrial (DVB-T)
  - **WMAN:**
    - IEEE 802.16 (WiMAX), HIPERMAN (3.5 Ghz [2-11 Ghz], ETSI std. Vs. Wi-MAX/WiBRO)
  - **Mobile broadband wireless access (MBWA):**
    - IEEE 802.20, IEEE 802.16e(Mobile WiMAX), WiBRO (Korean Wi-MAX)

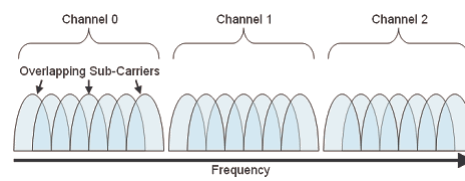
## OFDM

- Reprise: Frequency division multiplexing (FDM)

- non overlapping channels



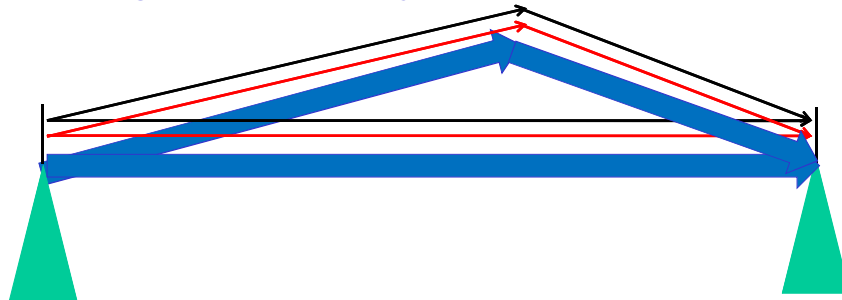
- OFDM: frequency division multiplexing in which a single channel utilizes multiple sub-carriers on adjacent overlapping frequencies



- Spectral efficiency (no guard space)
- Better symbol rate

## OFDM

- Advantage of OFDM w.r.t. Intersymbol Interference

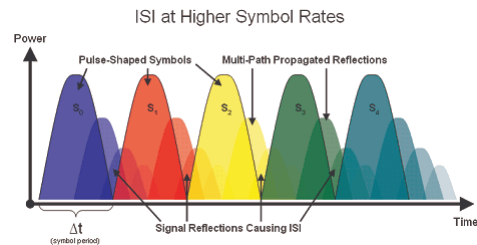


- $1 \text{ Msymbol/sec} = 1 \text{ symbol} / \text{microsec}$
  - $1 \text{ km distance} \pm 500 \text{ m} = 3.4 + 1.6 \text{ microsec}$
  - $10 \times 100 \text{ Ksymbol/sec} = 1 \text{ symbol} / 10 \text{ microsec}$
- 3.4 microsec
- 1.6 microsec

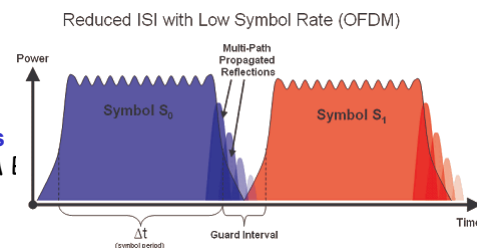
## OFDM

- Advantage of OFDM w.r.t. Intersymbol Interference

- high symbol/rate FDM carriers



- Low symbol rate OFDM carriers  
BPSK, QPSK, 16-QAM, 64-QAM



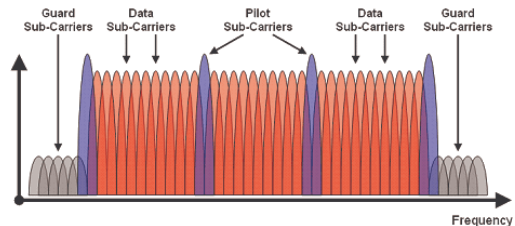
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## e.g. OFDM

- E.g. IEEE 802.16 (WiMAX): internet access across long wireless communications links (up to 30 miles)
- 1 OFDM channel = 128 to 2048 sub-carriers
  - 1 sub-carrier bandwidth: 9.76 KHz (11.16 kHz in practice)
    - 1.25 MHz (128 subcarriers)
    - ...Up to 20 MHz (2048 subcarriers)
  - BPSK, QPSK, 16-QAM, or 64-QAM modulation



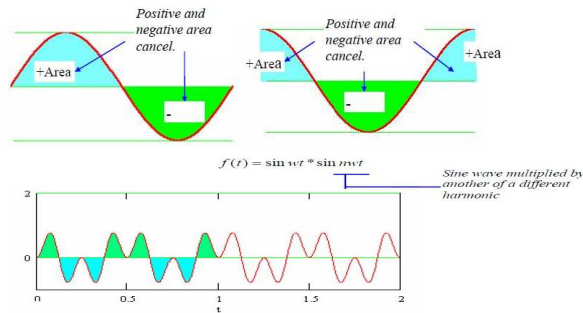
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## How OFDM works

- 1- The importance of orthogonal subcarriers
  - $\sin(x) * \sin(kx) = \text{orthogonal signal (Harmonics orthogonality)}$
  - $\cos(x) * \cos(kx) = \text{orthogonal signal}$
  - In general, all  $\sin(mx)$ ,  $\sin(nx)$ ,  $\cos(nx)$ ,  $\cos(mx)$  are orthogonal
  - Orthogonal means that integral of signal (t) is zero over period T. This allows simultaneous transmissions on different carriers with no interference



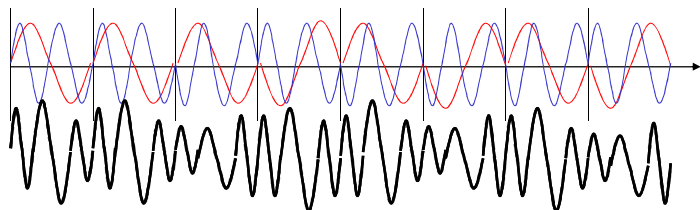
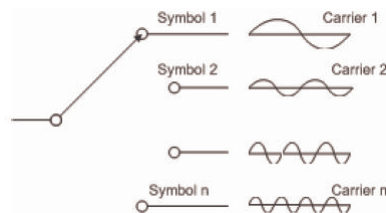
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## How OFDM works

- E.g. OFDM with 4 carriers, 1 symbol per second (total for 4 carriers)
- Bit stream to be modulated (replace 0 with -1): 1 1 -1 -1 1 1 1 -1 1 -1....
- Split the bit sequence in 4 sub-sequences
  - C1 (1 Hz): 1 1 1 -1 1 -1 1 -1...
  - C2 (2 Hz): 1 1 -1 1 -1 -1 -1 1....
  - C3 (3 Hz): -1 1 1 1 1 -1 -1 1....
  - C4 (4 Hz): -1 -1 1 1 -1 -1 1 1 -1 ....

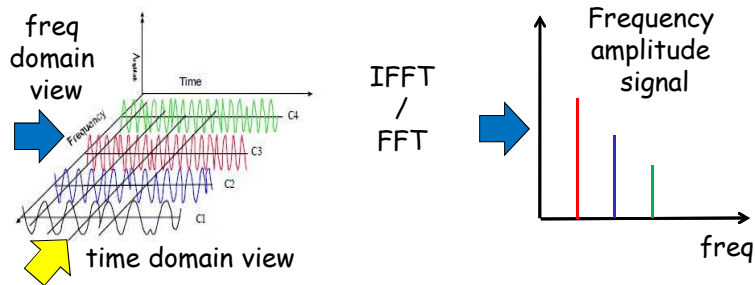


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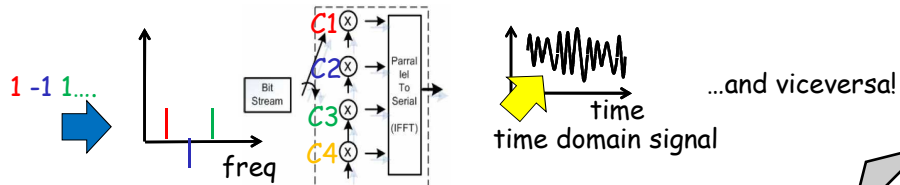
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## How OFDM works



Now think at  $C1, C2...$  bits like if they are variable amplitudes of frequencies...  
...and apply the IFFT to transform it in a time domain signal:



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## Summary of OFDM

- OFDM encoding:  $\approx 250.000$  phase modulations per second

| Data Rate (Mbps) | modulation | Bits coded per phase transition | R = fraction of carriers used for convolution | Length of 1 symbol at the given data rate (#subcarriers * bits coded per symbol) | Data bits encoded in 1 symbol |
|------------------|------------|---------------------------------|---|--|-------------------------------|
| 6                | DBPSK      | 1                               | 1/2   | 48   | 24                            |
| 9                | DBPSK      | 1                               | 3/4   | 48   | 36                            |
| 12               | DQPSK      | 2                               | 1/2   | 96   | 48                            |
| 18               | DQPSK      | 2                               | 3/4   | 96   | 72                            |
| 24               | 16-QAM     | 4                               | 1/2   | 192  | 96                            |
| 36               | 16-QAM     | 4                               | 3/4   | 192  | 144                           |
| 48               | 64-QAM     | 6                               | 2/3   | 288  | 192                           |
| 54               | 64-QAM     | 6                               | 3/4   | 288  | 216                           |

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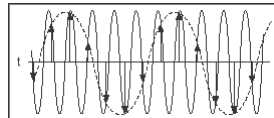
## Nyquist Bandwidth

- Assumptions:
  - noise free Channel
  - Many possible interpretations:
    - “if the rate of signal used for transmission is B, then a signal with symbol rate not greater than 2B can be transmitted”
    - “Given M symbols that can be coded on the channel by using carrier bandwidth B, the maximum capacity C in bits is:”

$$C = 2B \log_2 M$$

That is, doubling the carrier bandwidth you could double the bitrate

Counter-example: A signal at K Mhz sampled at K+1 Mhz appears as K/5 Mhz



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## Shannon Capacity Formula

- If the signal to noise ratio is
  - $SNR_{dB} = 10 \log_{10}(\text{signal power}/\text{noise power})$
- Then the maximum (error free) channel capacity in bits/second is

$$C = B \log_2(1+SNR)$$

- E.g. channel between 3 Mhz and 4 Mhz and SNR = 24 dB

$$B = 4 - 3 \text{ Mhz} = 1 \text{ Mhz}$$

$$SNR \text{ (in dB)} = 24 \text{ dB} = 10 \log_{10}(SNR) \Rightarrow SNR = 251 / 1$$

By applying Shannon:  $C = 10E+6 * \log_2(1+251) = 8 \text{ Mbps}$  (ideal scenario)

By applying Nyquist:  $C = 2B \log_2 M \Rightarrow 8 \text{ Mbps} = 2 * (10E+6) * \log_2 M$

$$4 = \log_2 M \Rightarrow M = 16$$

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## Multiple Access techniques: OFDMA and CDMA

### Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiple Access (OFDMA)

- different subsets of OFDM sub-channels assigned to different users
- Allows QoS management via subset management, and simple MAC
- Used in WiMAX (IEEE 802.16)

### CDMA (Code Division Multiple Access)

- all terminals send on the same frequency probably at the same time and can use the whole bandwidth of the transmission channel
- each sender has a unique pseudo-random number (PRN), and XORs the signal with this random number
- the receiver can "tune" into this signal via a correlation function, if it knows the PRN

### Disadvantages:

- higher complexity of a receiver
- all signals should have the same strength at a receiver

### Advantages:

- all terminals can use the same frequency, no planning needed
- huge code space (e.g.  $2^{32}$ ) compared to frequency space
- interferences (e.g. white noise) is not coded
- forward error correction and encryption can be easily integrated

## CDMA in theory

### Sender A

- sends  $A_d = 1$ , key  $A_k = 010011$  (assign: „0“= -1, „1“= +1)
- sending signal  $A_s = A_d * A_k = (-1, +1, -1, -1, +1, +1)$

### Sender B

- sends  $B_d = 0$ , key  $B_k = 110101$  (assign: „0“= -1, „1“= +1)
- sending signal  $B_s = B_d * B_k = (-1, -1, +1, -1, +1, -1)$

### Both signals superimpose in space

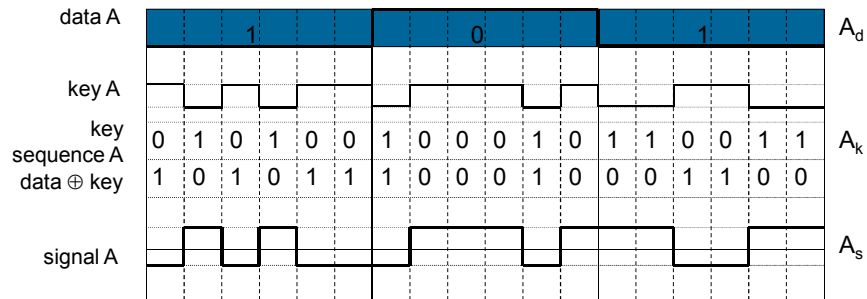
- interference neglected (noise etc.)
- $A_s + B_s = (-2, 0, 0, -2, +2, 0)$

### Receiver wants to receive signal from sender A

- apply key  $A_k$  bitwise (inner product)
  - $A_e = (-2, 0, 0, -2, +2, 0) \bullet A_k = 2 + 0 + 0 + 2 + 2 + 0 = 6$
  - result greater than 0, therefore, original bit was „1“
- receiving B
  - $B_e = (-2, 0, 0, -2, +2, 0) \bullet B_k = -2 + 0 + 0 - 2 - 2 + 0 = -6$ , i.e. „0“

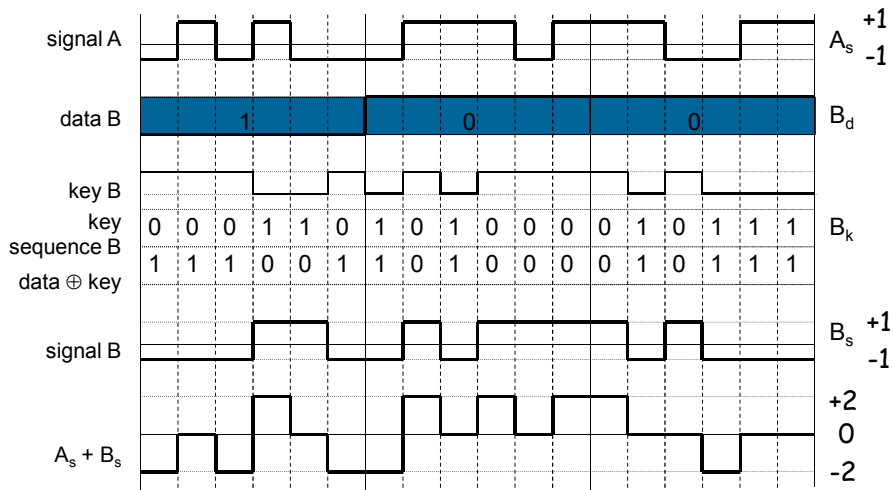


## CDMA on signal level I

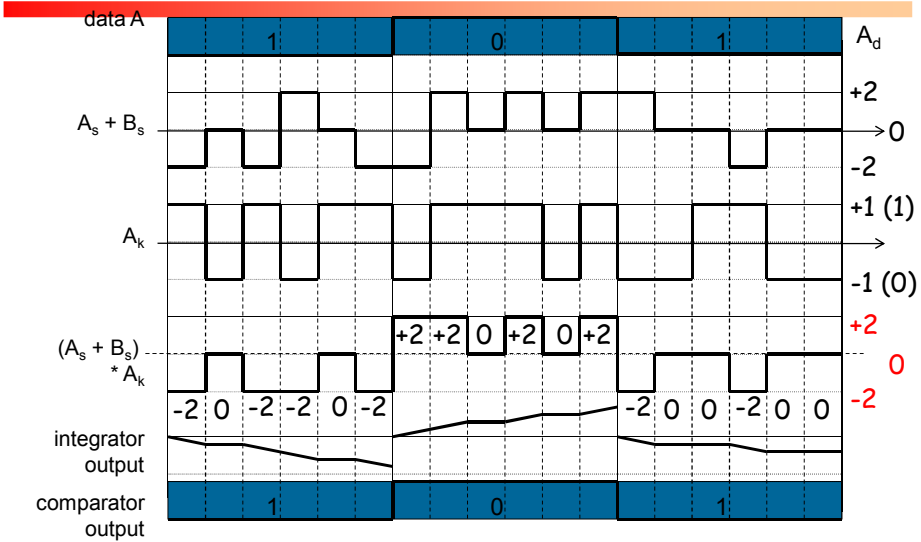


Real systems use much longer keys resulting in a larger distance between single code words in code space.

## CDMA on signal level II



### CDMA on signal level III

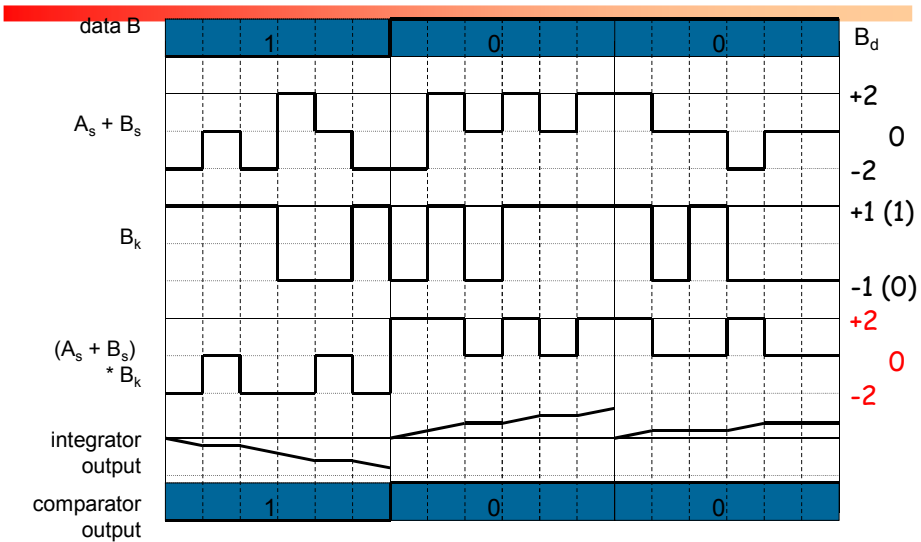


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### CDMA on signal level IV

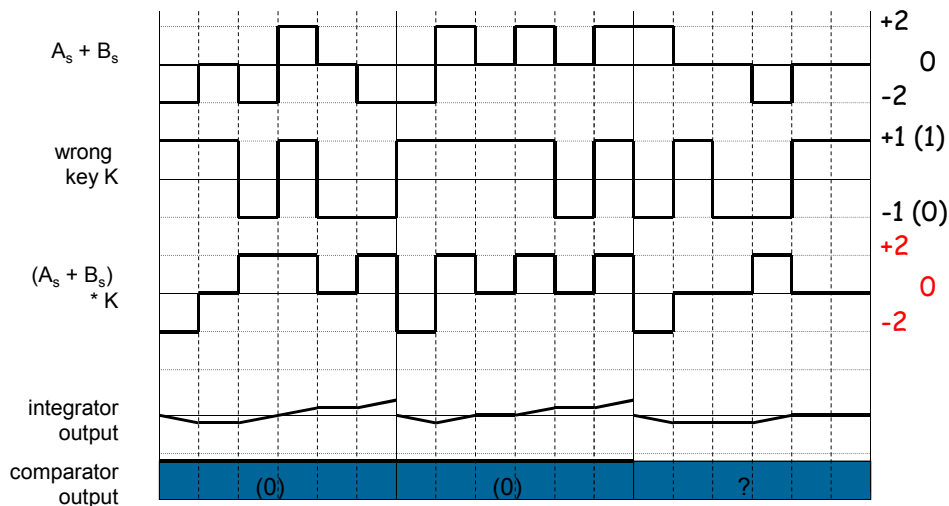


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## CDMA on signal level V



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## Network protocols: the glue for integration

- **Networks deal with:**
  - computer hardware, software, operating systems, transmission technology, services defined over it...
  - **how is it glued?**
  - **and how to glue the existing with the wireless world?**
- **Communication protocols**
  - implemented in software or hardware, transform otherwise isolated machines into **a society of computers**
  - specify how processes in different machines can interact to provide a given service (at different layers)

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## Communication Protocols

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- A set of rules governing the interaction of concurrent processes in a system
- A protocol has mainly five parts:
  - The service it provides
  - The assumptions about the environment where it executes, including the services it enjoys
  - The vocabulary of messages used to implement it
  - The format of each message in the vocabulary
  - The procedure rules (algorithms) guarding the consistency of message exchanges and the integrity of the service provided

## Communication Protocols

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- A protocol always involves at least two processes
  - i.e. Phone call
- **Distributed algorithms**
  - i.e. to define and evaluate the “(wireless) hosts society” behavior
- **Correctness:**
  - The protocol provides the desired service indefinitely, provided operational assumptions are valid.
- **Performance:**
  - Because information and behavior of network are random, we focus on average behavior
- A protocol must provide its intended service (efficiently)
  - design choices and protocol definition