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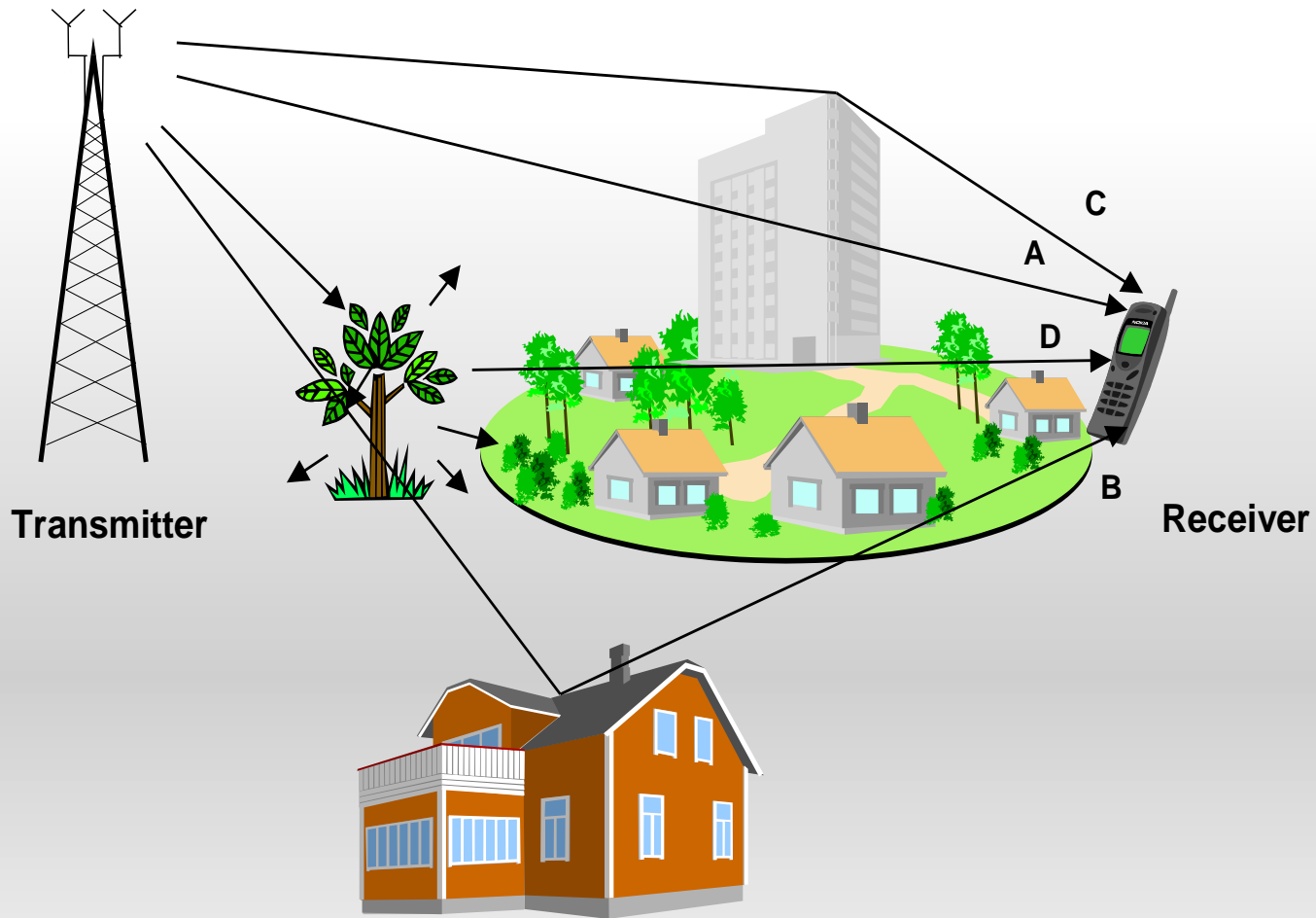
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Orthogonal Frequency Division  
Multiplexing (OFDM)

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## Jenis – jenis Fading

Kondisi yang ditinjau dalam analisis

### Tidak Ada Pergerakan Tranceiver

- ❑ Dianalisa menggunakan DELAY SPREAD MODEL → Parameter TIME DISPERSION

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- ❑ Dianalisa menggunakan TIME VARYING MODEL / DOPPLER SPREAD MODEL → Parameter FREQUENCY DISPERSION

Berdasarkan atas multipath <b>Time Delay Spread</b>	<b>FLAT FADING</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• BW sinyal &lt; BW koheren</li><li>• Delay spread &lt; periode simbol</li></ul>
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Akibat sinyal datang dengan delay yang berbeda-beda

akibat pergerakan

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## Parameter Fading

Time  
Domain  
Parameter

### Time Dispersion

- Mean Excess Delay
- RMS Delay Spread
- Maksimum Excess Delay

### Frequency Dispersion

- Coherence Time

Frequency  
Domain  
parameter

- BW Coherence

- Doppler Spread

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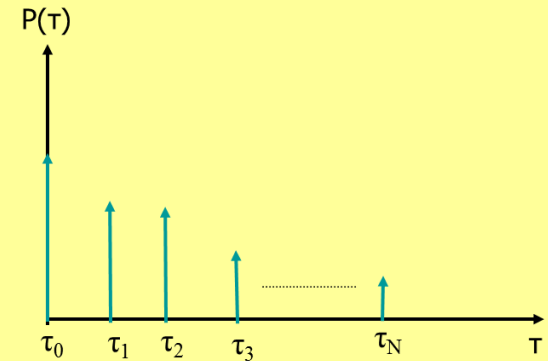
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### Mean Excess Delay

$$\bar{\tau} = \frac{\sum_k P(\tau_k) \tau_k}{\sum_k P(\tau_k)}$$

### RMS Delay Spread

$$\sigma_\tau = \sqrt{\overline{\tau^2} - (\bar{\tau})^2}$$
$$\overline{\tau^2} = \frac{\sum_k P(\tau_k) \tau_k^2}{\sum_k P(\tau_k)}$$



Power Delay Profile

### Maximum Excess Delay (XdB) or Excess Delay Spread (XdB):

Time delay during which multi-path energy falls to X dB below the maximum (Note that the strongest component does not necessarily arrive at  $\tau_0$ )

### COHERENCE BANDWIDTH

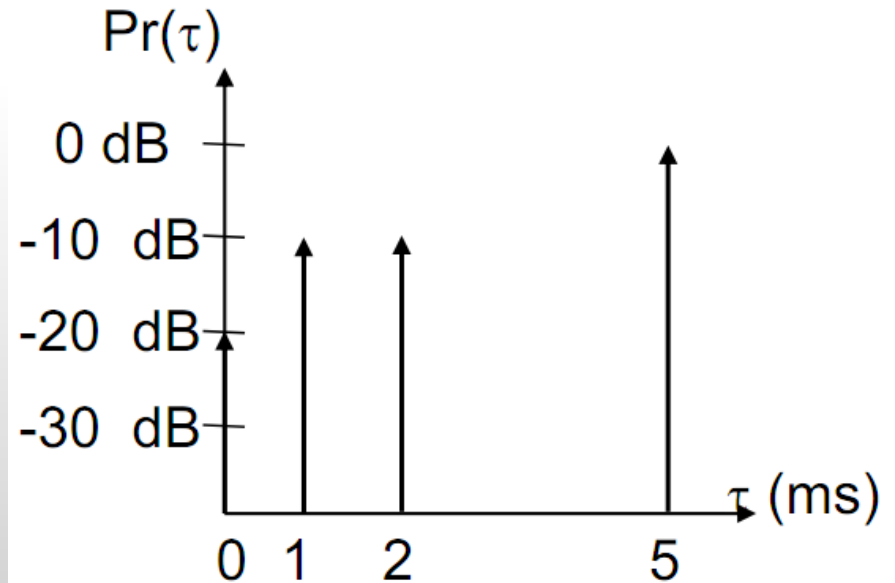
A statistical measure of the range of frequencies over which the channel is can be considered to be **“flat”** (i.e., a channel which passes all spectral components with approximately equal gain and linear phase)

$$B_c = \frac{1}{5\sigma_\tau}$$

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## Contoh

Hitunglah mean excess delay, rms delay spread, dari suatu kanal multipath yang profile multipath-nya diberikan pada gambar disamping. Berikan analisa apakah kanal multipath tersebut termasuk Frequency selective fading ataupun flat fading jika bandwidth komunikasi sebesar 30 KHz dan 200 KHz?



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Jawab

**Mean excess delay,**

$$\bar{\tau} = \frac{\sum_k a_k^2 \tau_k}{\sum_k a_k^2} = \frac{\sum_k P(\tau_k) \tau_k}{\sum_k P(\tau_k)}$$

$$\bar{\tau} = \frac{(1)(5) + (0.1)(1) + (0.1)(2) + (0.01)(0)}{(0.01 + 0.1 + 0.1 + 1)} = 4.38 \mu\text{s}$$

**Momen kedua delay profile,**

$$\overline{\tau^2} = \frac{(1)(5)^2 + (0.1)(1)^2 + (0.1)(2)^2 + (0.01)(0)^2}{(0.01 + 0.1 + 0.1 + 1)} = 21.07 \mu\text{s}^2$$

**RMS delay spread,**

$$\sigma_\tau = \sqrt{21.07 - (4.38)^2} = 1.37 \mu\text{s}$$

**Coherence bandwidth,**

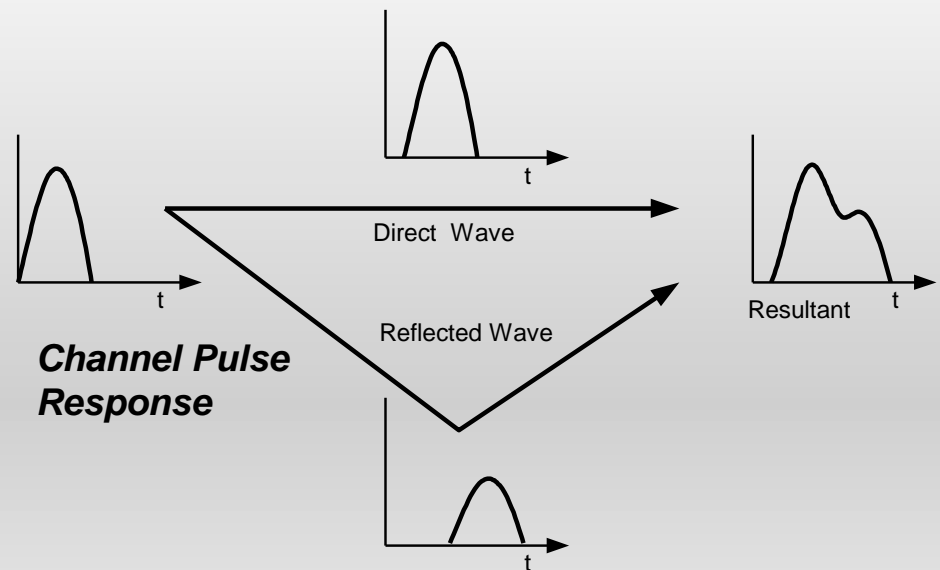
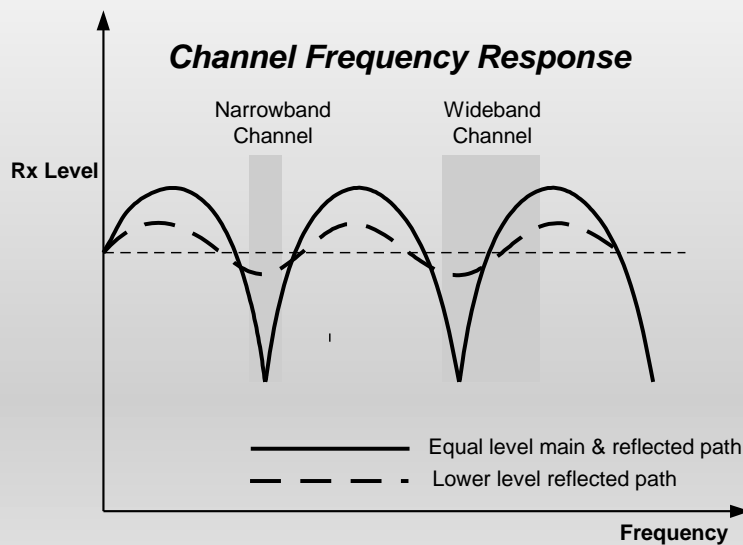
$$B_c \approx \frac{1}{5\sigma_\tau} = 146 \text{ kHz}$$

**Jadi,**

- Untuk BW informasi = 30 kHz , BW informasi < BW koheren sehingga merupakan **Flat Fading**
- Untuk BW informasi = 200 kHz , Bw informasi > BW koheren sehingga masuk kategori **Frequency Selective Fading**

# Fading Effect

Sinyal multipath juga akan menyebabkan **distorsi** sinyal / cacat sinyal. Problem ini secara khusus berkaitan dengan bandwidth sinyal yang digunakan dalam komunikasi mobile





# Fading Effect

Transmitted signal:

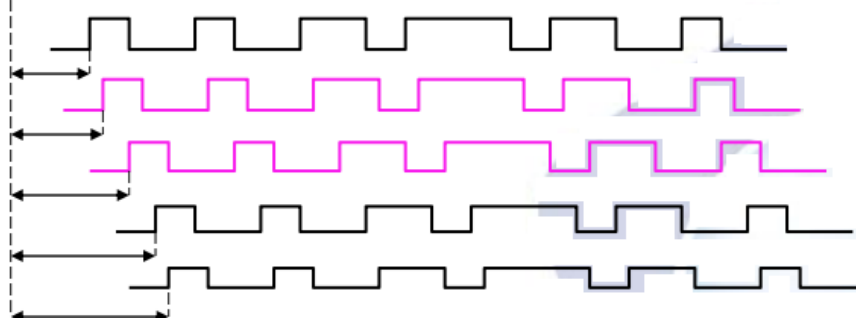


Received Signals:

Line-of-sight:



Reflected:



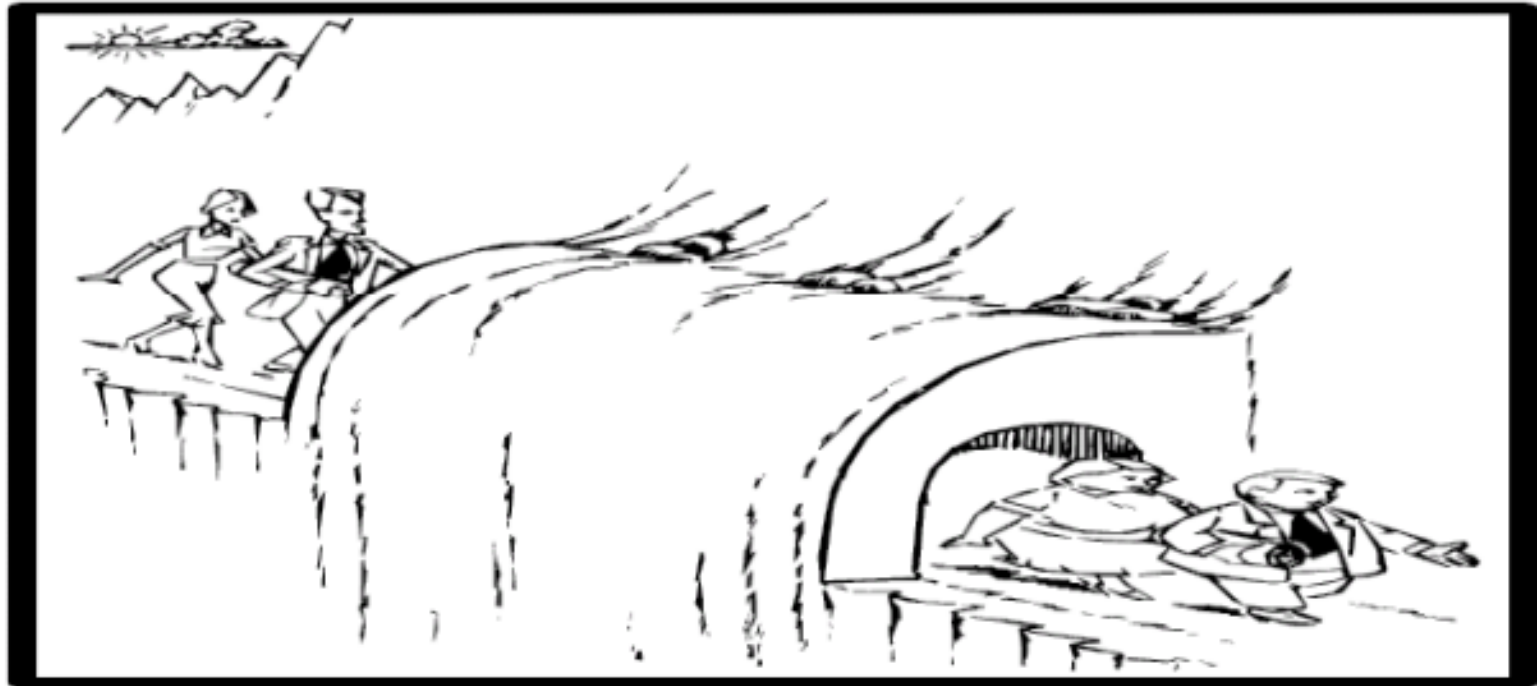
Delays



The symbols add up on the channel

→ **Distortion** → **Intersymbol Interference**

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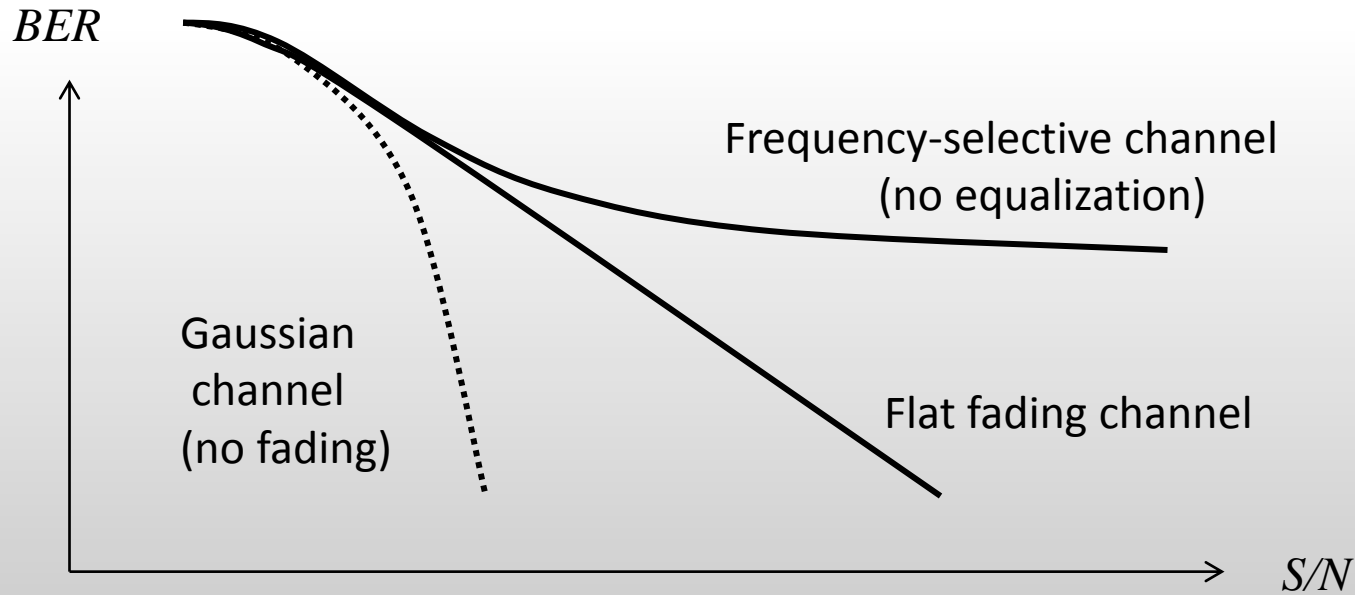


Inter-symbol interference

Distance →

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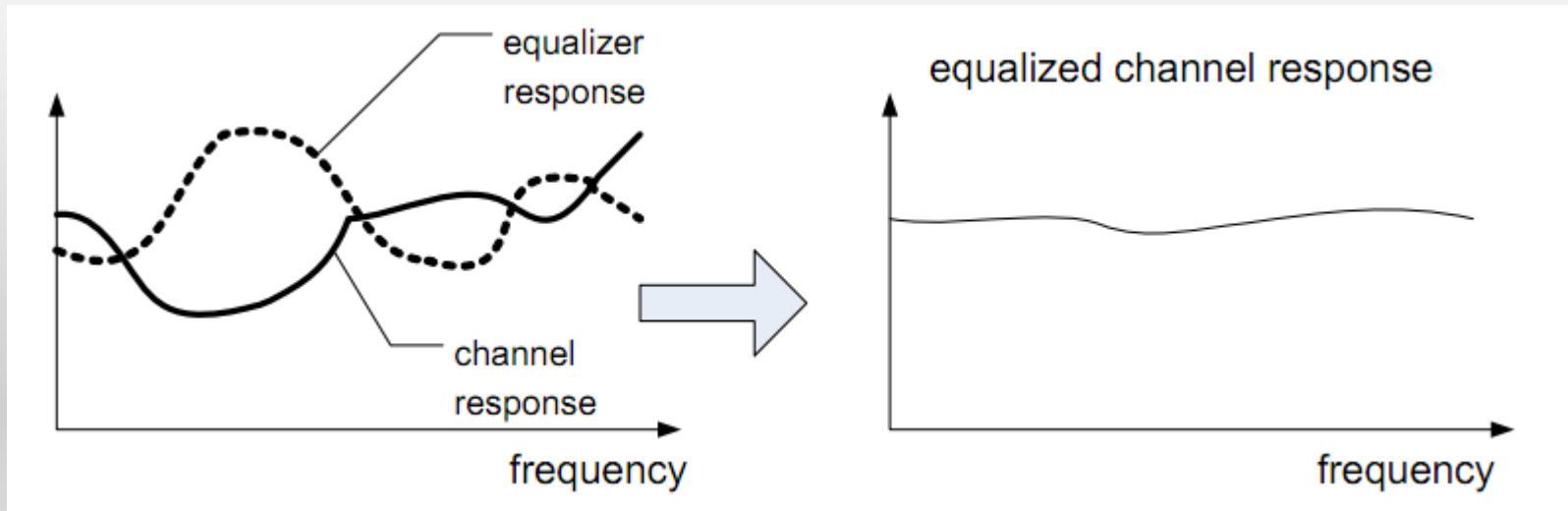
Typical BER vs.  $S/N$  curves



Distortion  $\rightarrow$  Intersymbol Interference  $\rightarrow$  Error

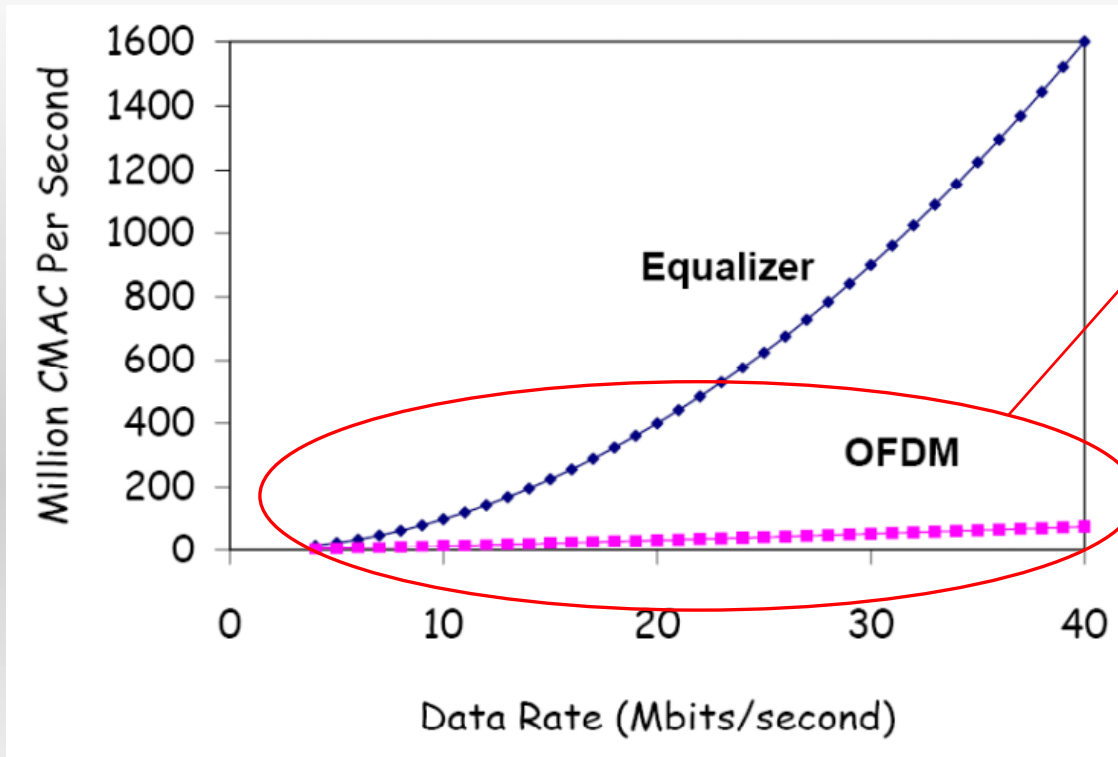
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Potential Solution on Fading and ISI Problem → **Multicarrier Base**

**CMAC : complex multiply and accumulate**



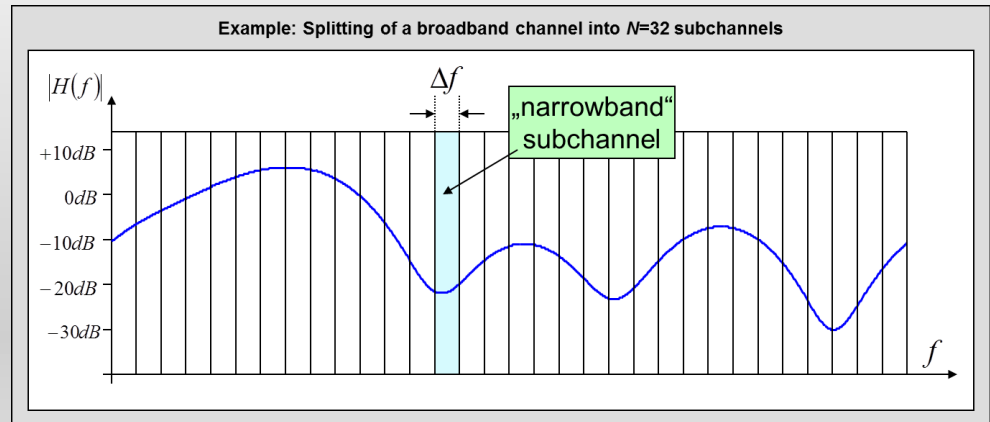
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Since we avoid ISI if Periode Symbol > Delay Spread, just send a large number of narrowband carriers



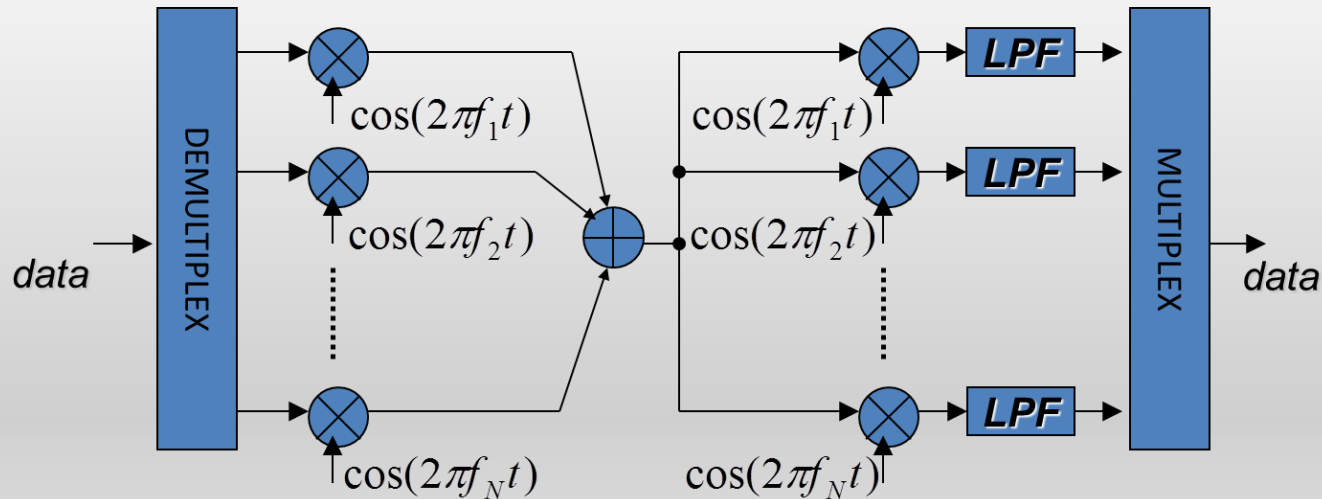
**A Common Rule of Thumb:**

$$T_s > 10\sigma_t \rightarrow \text{Flat fading}$$

# ISI COMBAT

## Multicarrier

- Use multiple channel (carrier frequency) for one data transmission



Substream modulated onto separate carriers :

- Substream bandwidth is  $B/N$  for  $B$  total bandwidth
- $B/N < B_c$  implies flat fading on each subcarrier (no ISI)

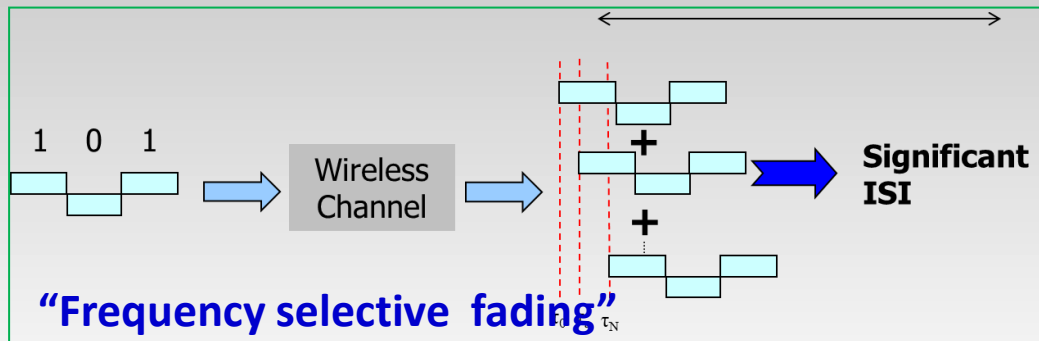
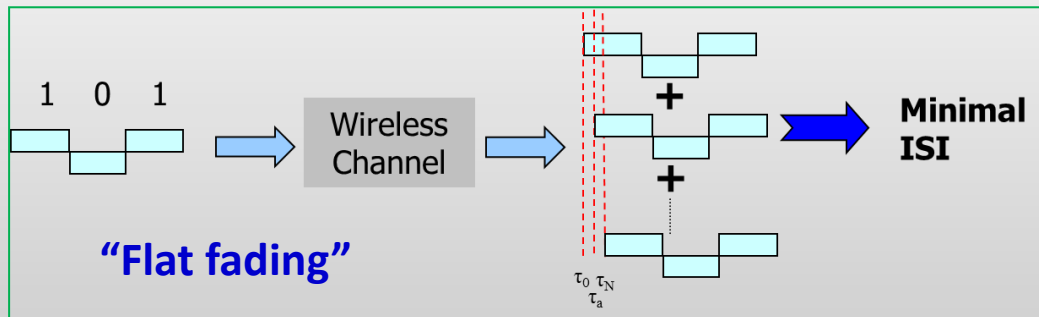


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Multicarrier: interesting interpretation in both time and frequency domain

### In the time domain



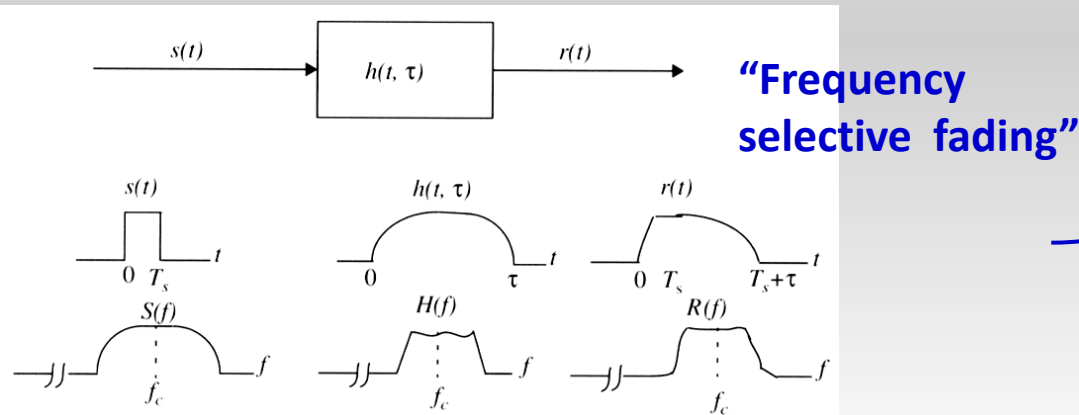
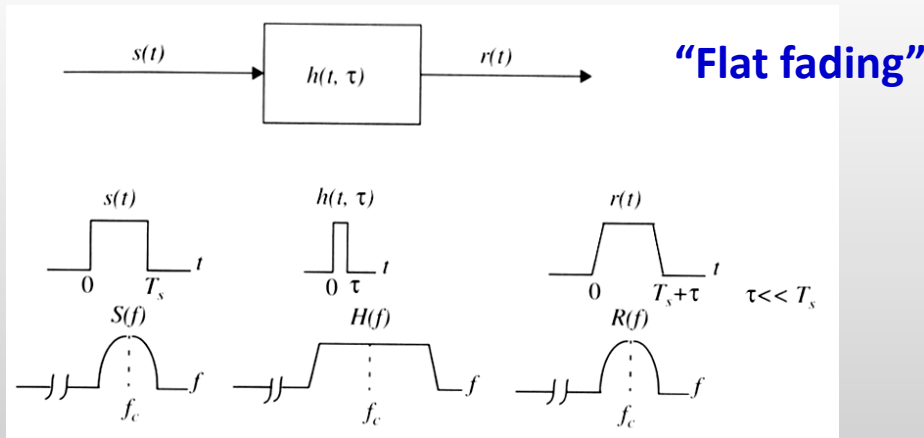
the symbol duration on each subcarrier has to be increased to assured that the symbol duration exceeds the channel delay spread for ISI free Communication

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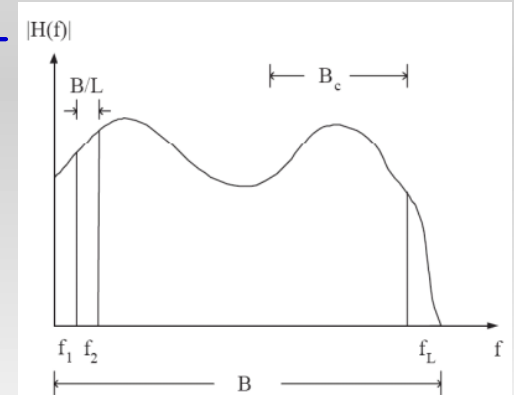
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### In the Frequency domain



The Total bandwidth  $B$  must be divided into  $L$  sub-carriers have bandwidth  $B/L \ll$  Bandwidth Coherence To assure “flat fading”



# ISI COMBAT

## Contoh

Suatu kanal Komunikasi Wireless memiliki karakteristik fading  $\rightarrow$  Delay Spread ( $\sigma_\tau$ ) sebesar  $1 \mu s$ . Diasumsikan untuk menghindari ISI maka durasi simbol  $T_s \geq 10 \sigma_\tau$

Tentukan :

- Bandwidth komunikasi maksimum yang diperbolehkan ?
- Jika multicarrier digunakan, dan kita akan menggunakan bandwidth total sebesar 5 Mhz berapa jumlah subcarrier yang digunakan?

## Solusi

- Jika asumsi kita menggunakan  $T_s = 10 \sigma_\tau$  untuk menghindari ISI  $\rightarrow$  maka maksimum bandwidth komunikasi yang bisa digunakan adalah  $1/T_s = 1/10 \sigma_\tau = 0.1/\sigma_\tau = 100 \text{ KHz}$
- Jika multicarrier digunakan, dengan bandwidth total 5 Mhz dan bandwidth subcarrier sebesar 100 KHz, maka jumlah subcarrier yang digunakan minimal sebanyak  $5\text{Mhz}/100\text{KHz} = 50 \text{ subcarrier}$



# WHAT IS OFDM

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- OFDM  
=Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing
- Many orthogonal sub-carriers are multiplexed in one symbol
  - What is the orthogonal?
  - How multiplexed?

# WHAT IS OFDM

## Orthogonality of subcarriers

**orthogonal** have meaning :

- The signals /Subcarriers are in that form so that they do not interfere with each other
- crosstalk between the signals/subcarriers is eliminated
- the signals/Subcarriers are still received without adjacent carrier interference

### Real Function space

- Real Function space, orthogonal berarti memenuhi :

$$\int_{kT}^{(k+1)T} s_1(t)s_2(t)dt = 0$$

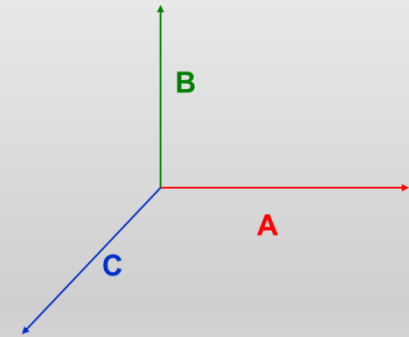
$$S_1(t) = A \sin(2\pi f_1 t)$$

$$S_2(t) = B \sin(2\pi f_2 t)$$

$$\int_0^T S_1(t)S_2(t)dt = 0$$

### Vector space

- Pada vector space, orthogonal berarti saling tegak lurus
- **A**, **B** and **C** vectors in space are orthogonal to each other



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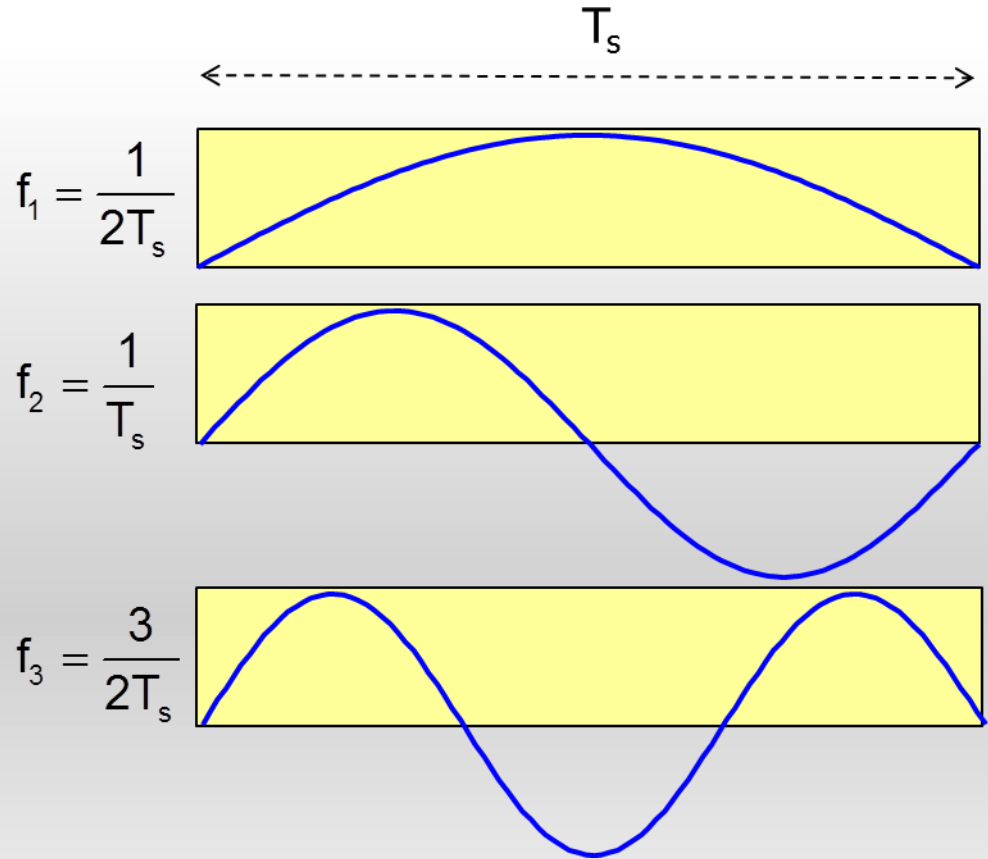
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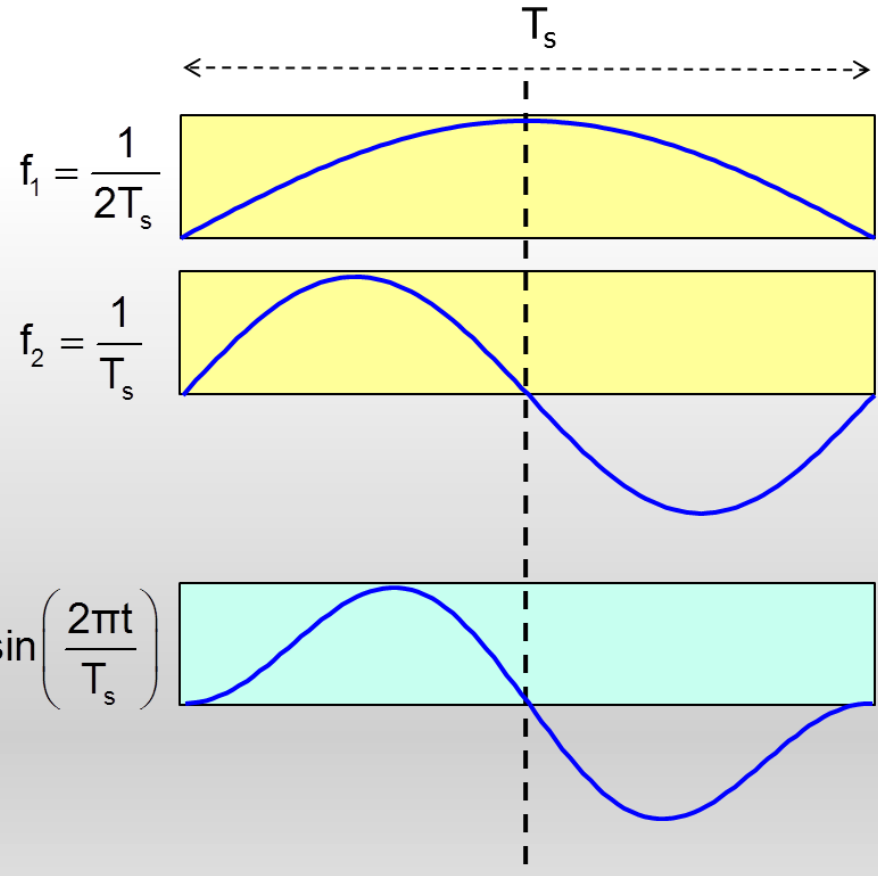
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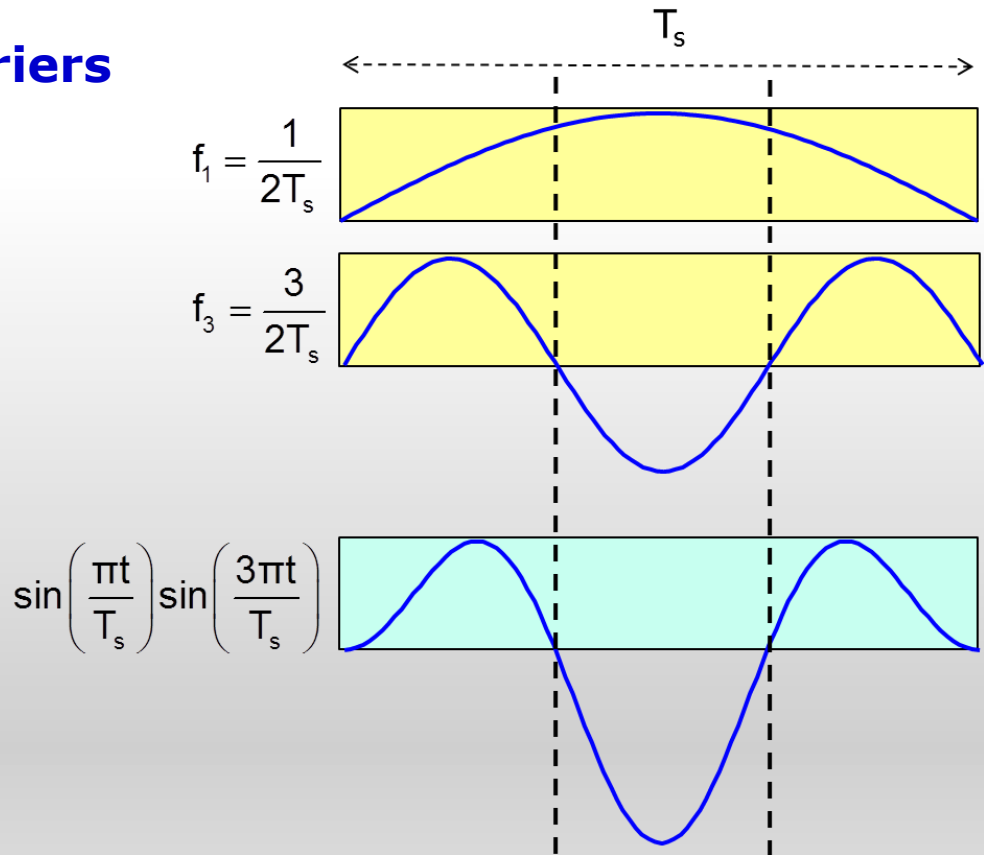
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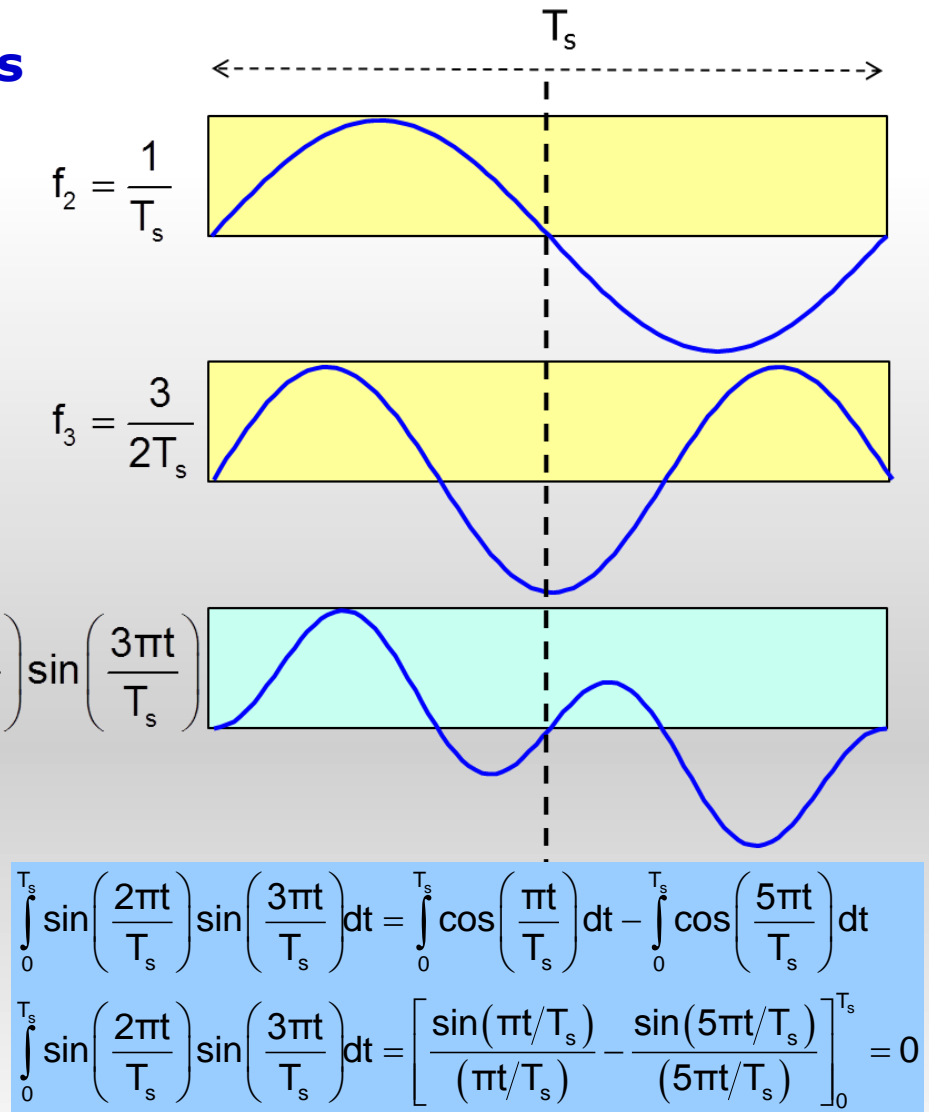
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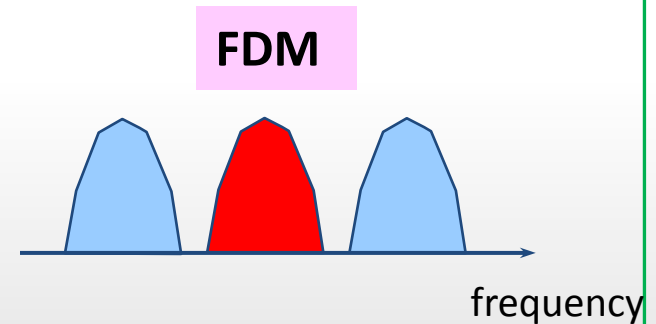


# MULTICARRIER vs OFDM

- The technique of OFDM is based on the well-known technique of FDM

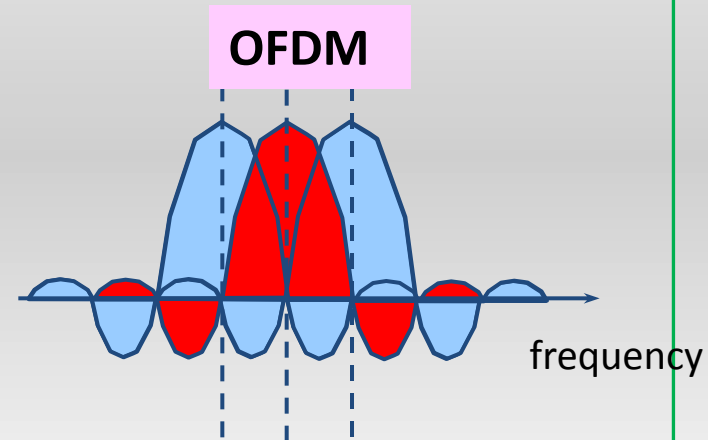
- FDM technique:

- Different streams of information are mapped onto separate parallel frequency channels
- Guard bands are inserted to reduce interference between adjacent channels



- OFDM technique

- Multiple carriers carry the information stream
- Carrier spectrum are overlapped and orthogonal to each other
- A guard time is added to each symbol to combat the channel delay spread





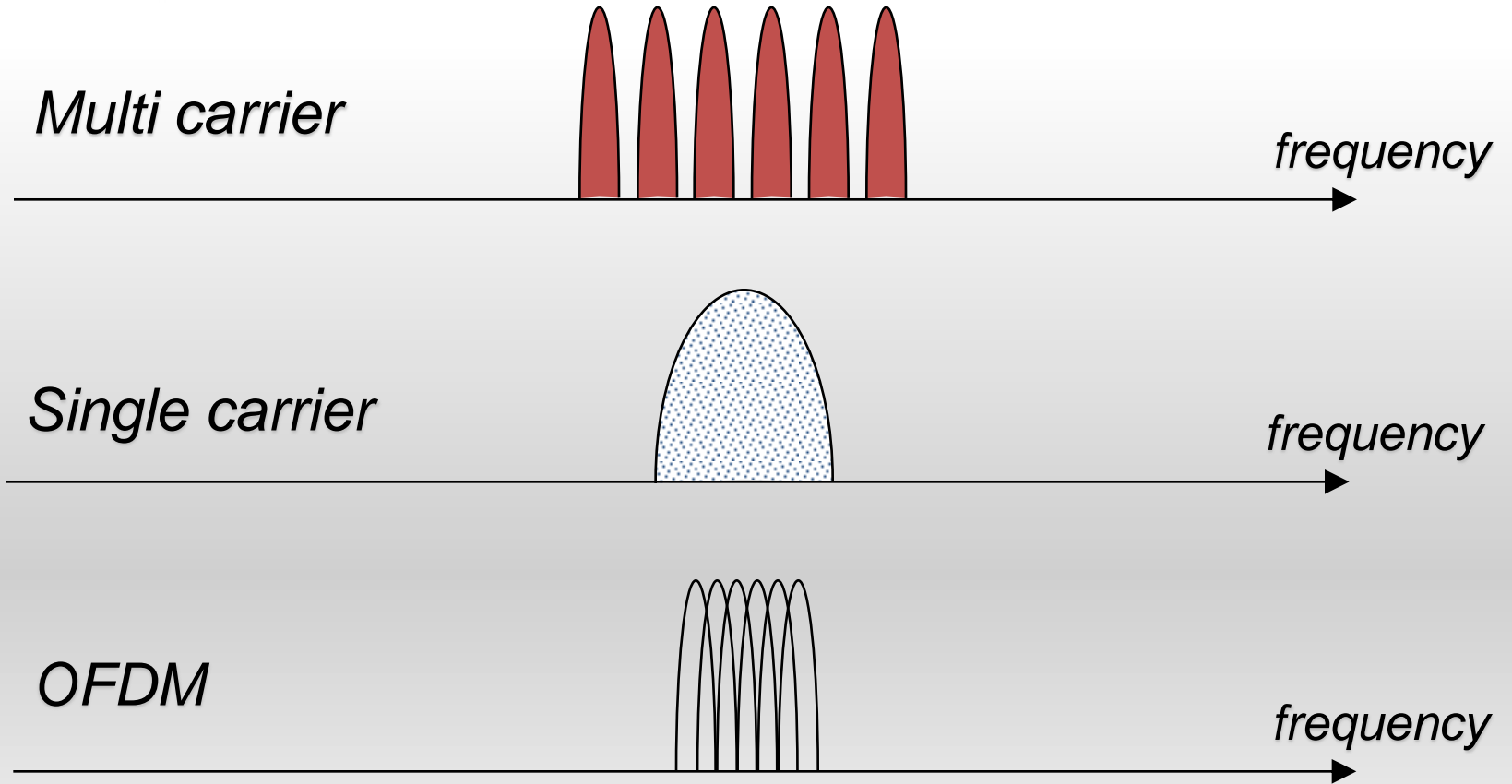
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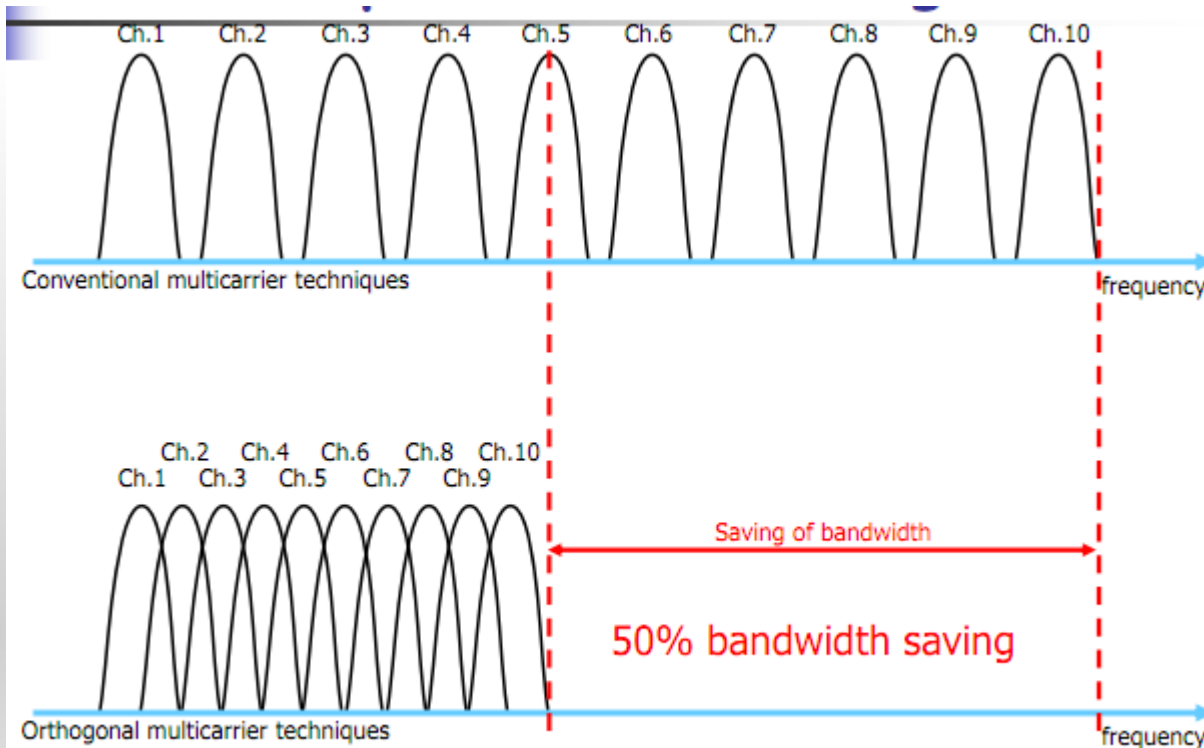
- OFDM is multi carrier modulation
- OFDM sub-carrier spectrum is overlapping
- In FDMA, band-pass filter separates each transmission
- In OFDM, each sub-carrier is separated by DFT because carriers are orthogonal
- Each sub-carrier is modulated by PSK, QAM

***Thousands of PSK/QAM symbol can be simultaneously transmitted in one OFDM symbol***

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For FDM if the system bandwidth is  $B$ , number of sub-carriers is given by:

$$N_c = \frac{B}{(1+\alpha)/T_s} = \frac{BT_s}{(1+\alpha)}$$

$0 \leq \alpha \leq 1 \Rightarrow$  Rolloff Factor

For **OFDM** if the system bandwidth is  $B$ , Number of sub-carriers is given by:

$$N_c = \frac{B}{1/2T_s} = 2BT_s$$

**OFDM** has the potential to at least double the number of sub-carriers  
→ double the total transmission rate over the system bandwidth

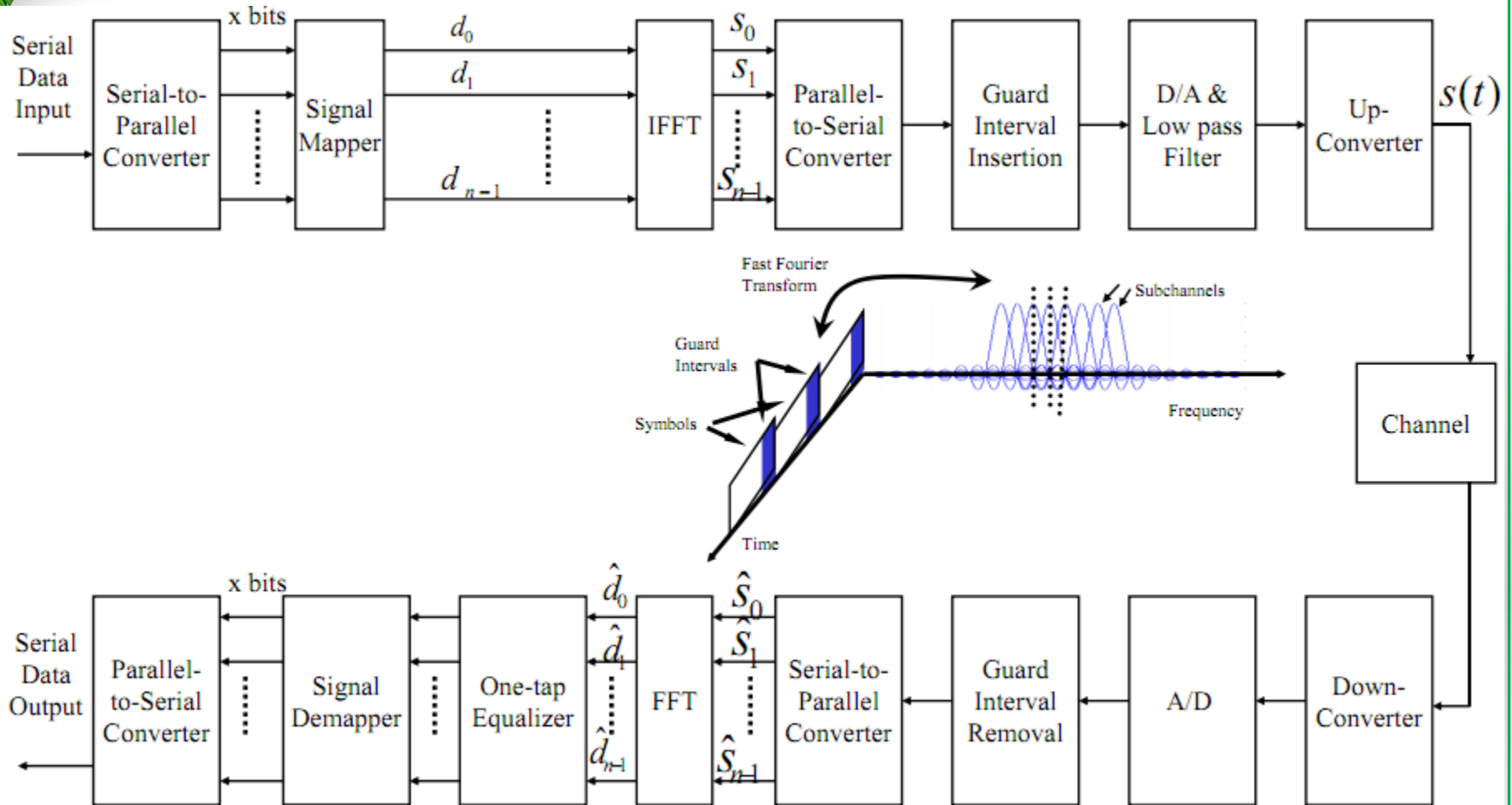


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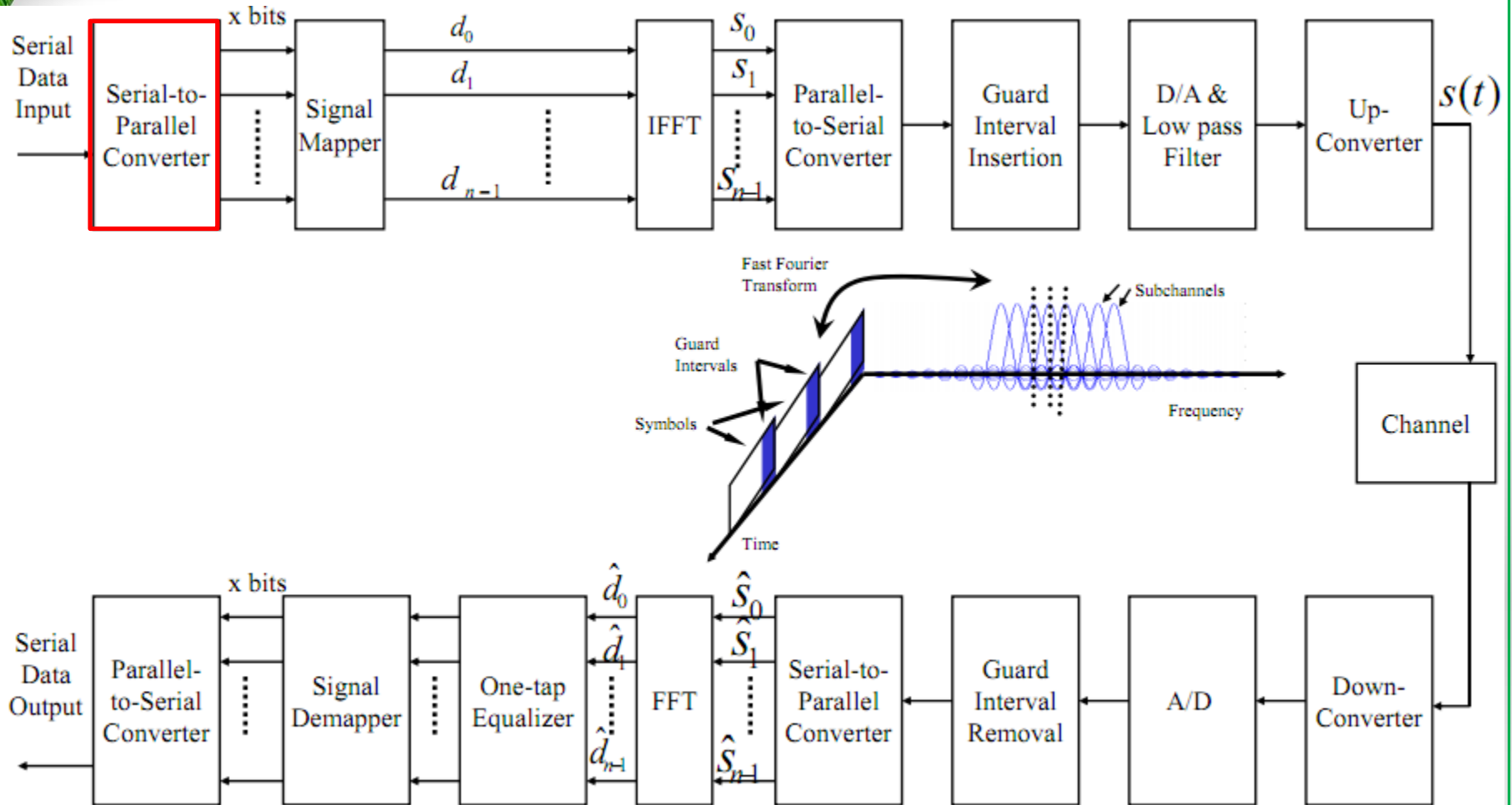
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- A type of multi-carrier modulation
- Single high-rate bit stream is converted to low-rate  $N$  parallel bit stream
- Each parallel bit stream is modulated on one of  $N$  sub-carriers
- Each sub-carrier can be modulated by QFSK or QAM
- Add a guard time to each OFDM symbol to avoid inter-symbol interference of fading channel
- To achieve high bandwidth efficiency, the sub-carriers are closely spaced and overlapped
- Sub-carriers are orthogonal over the symbol time

# OFDM SYSTEM

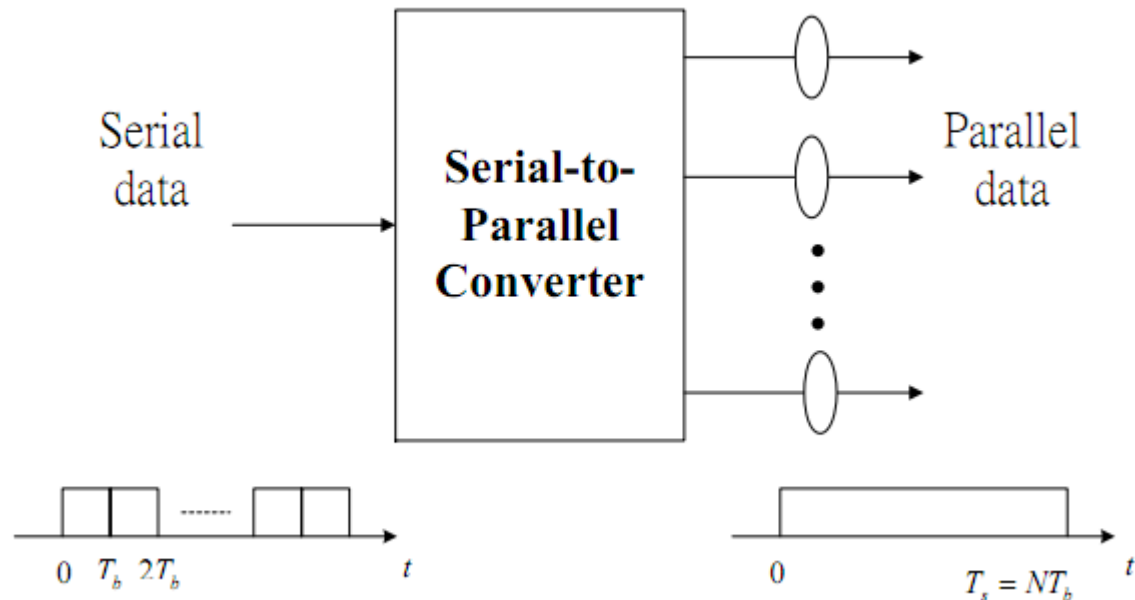


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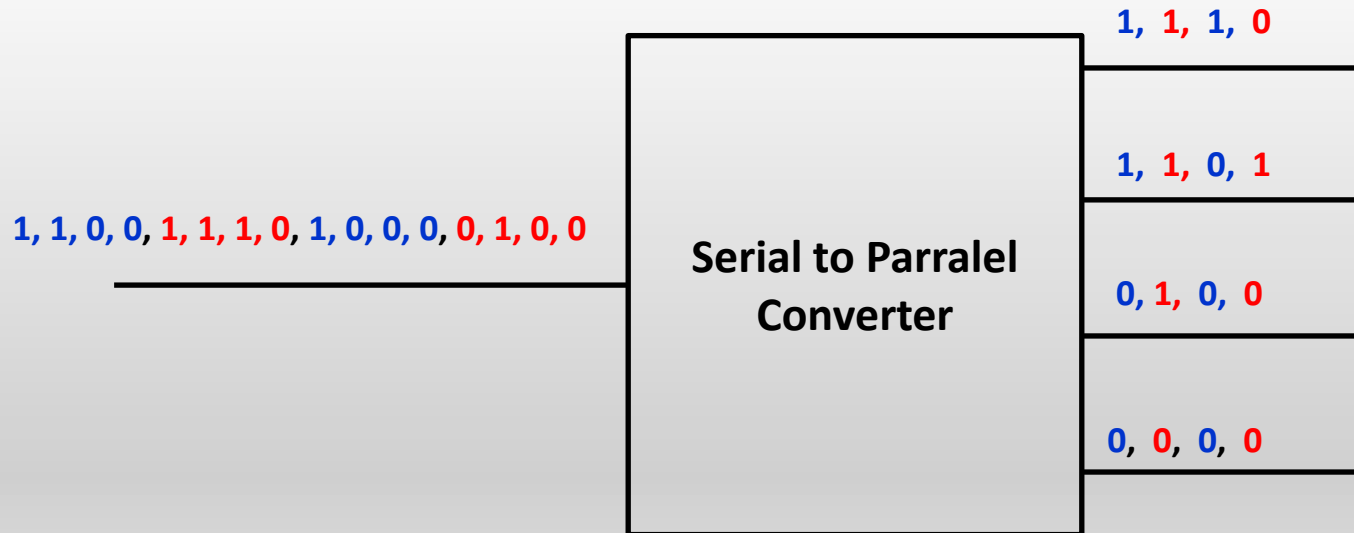
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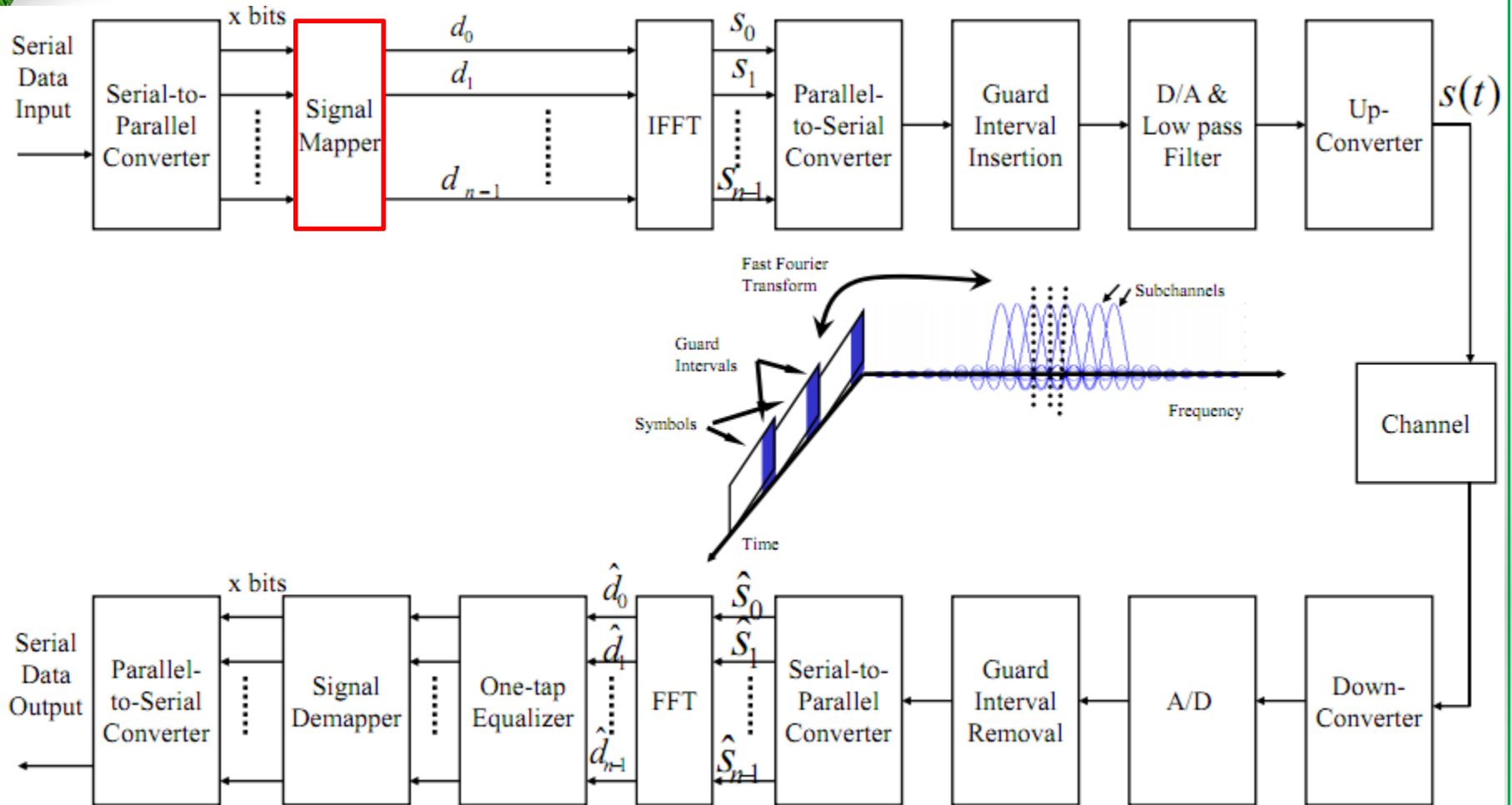
In a conventional serial data system, the symbols are transmitted sequentially, with the frequency spectrum of each data symbol allowed to occupy the entire available bandwidth.

The spectrum of an individual data element normally occupies only a small part of available bandwidth.

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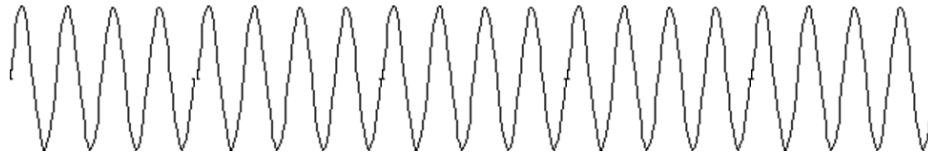


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Single carrier



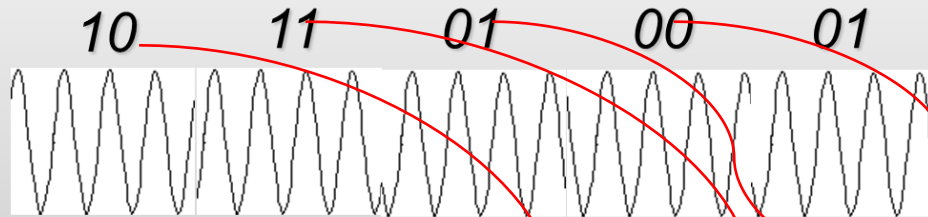
BPSK

1bit per symbol

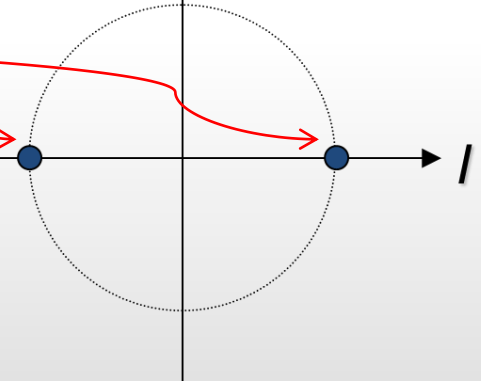


QPSK

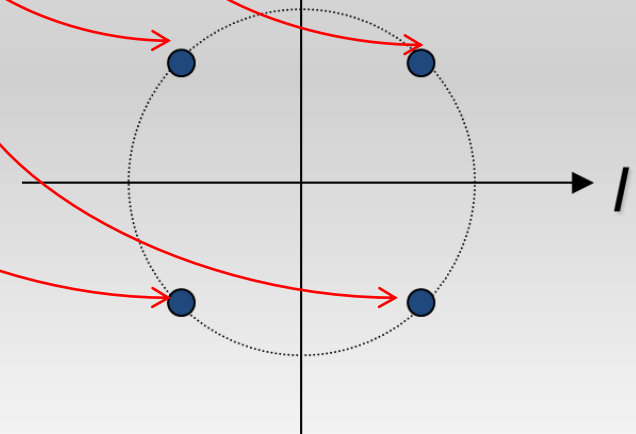
2bit per symbol



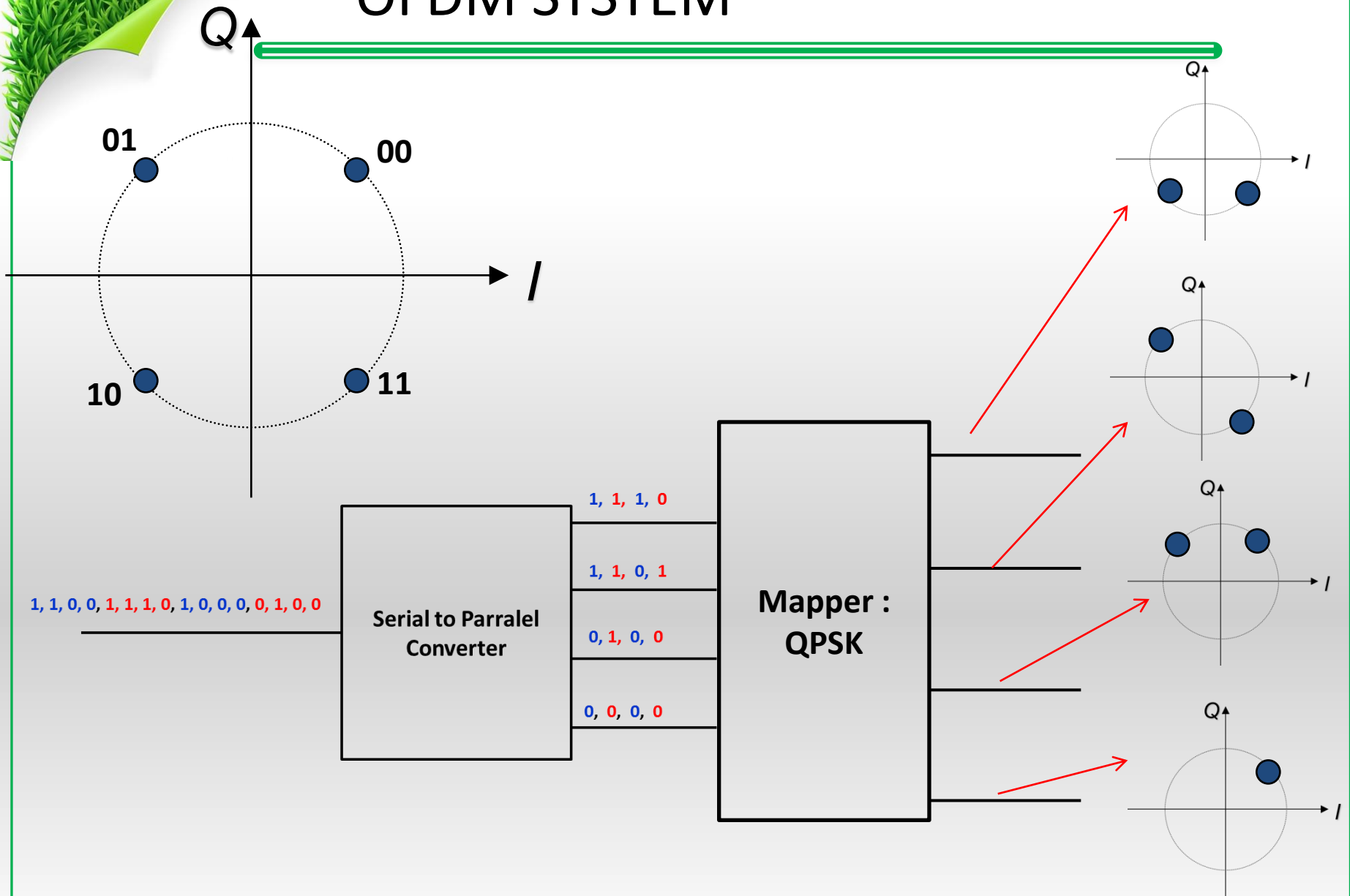
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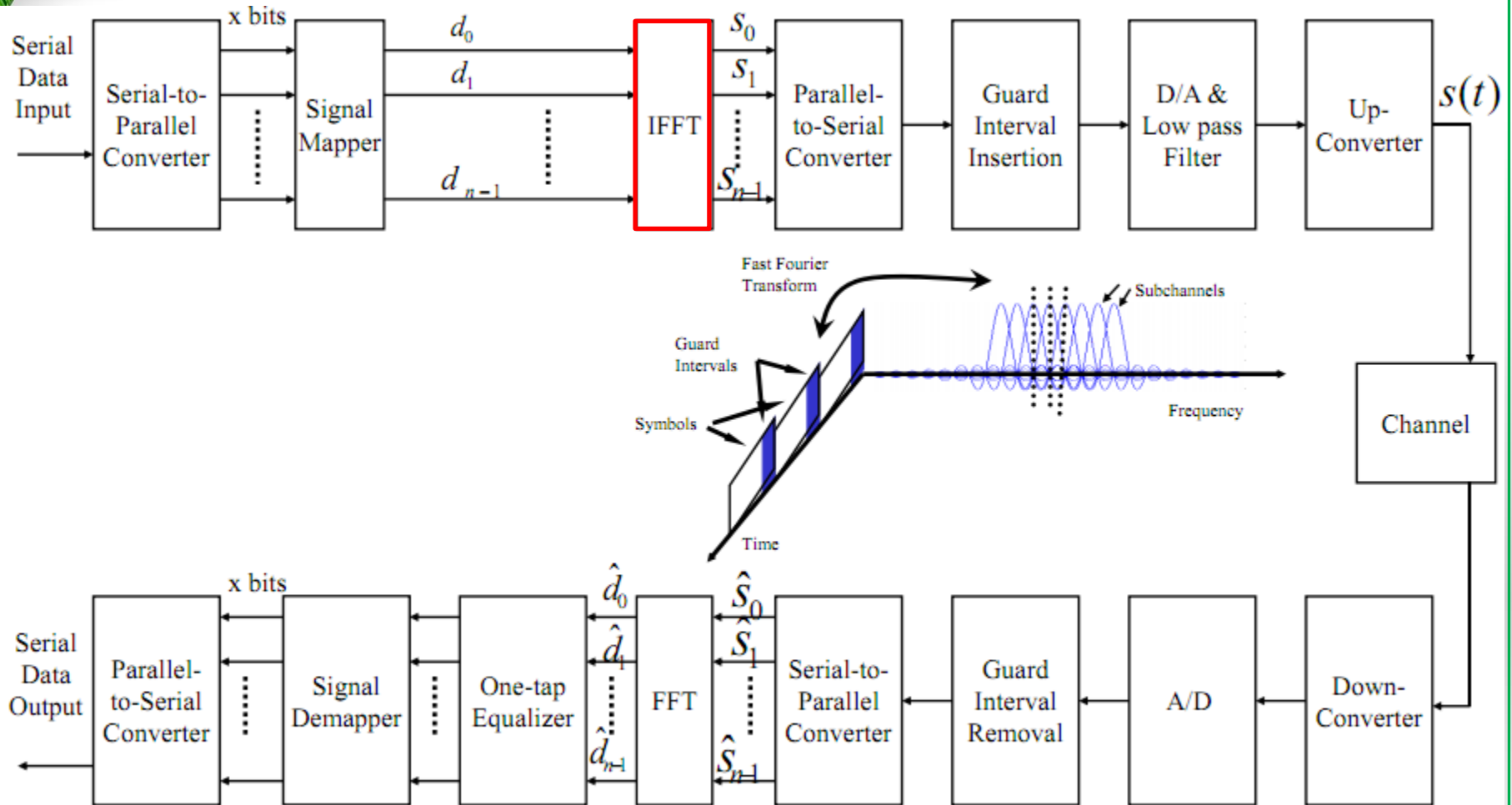
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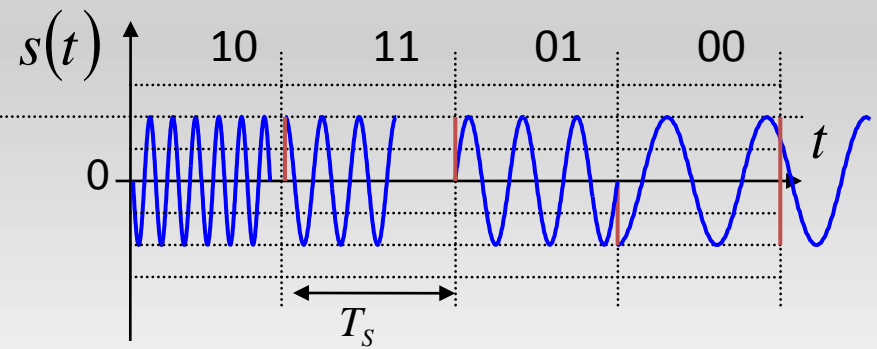
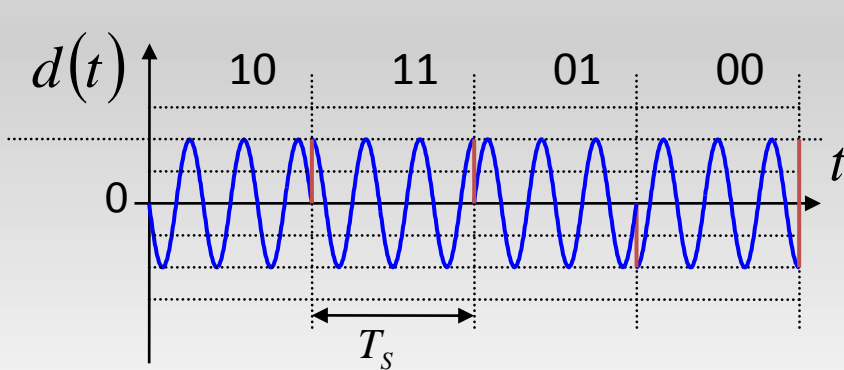
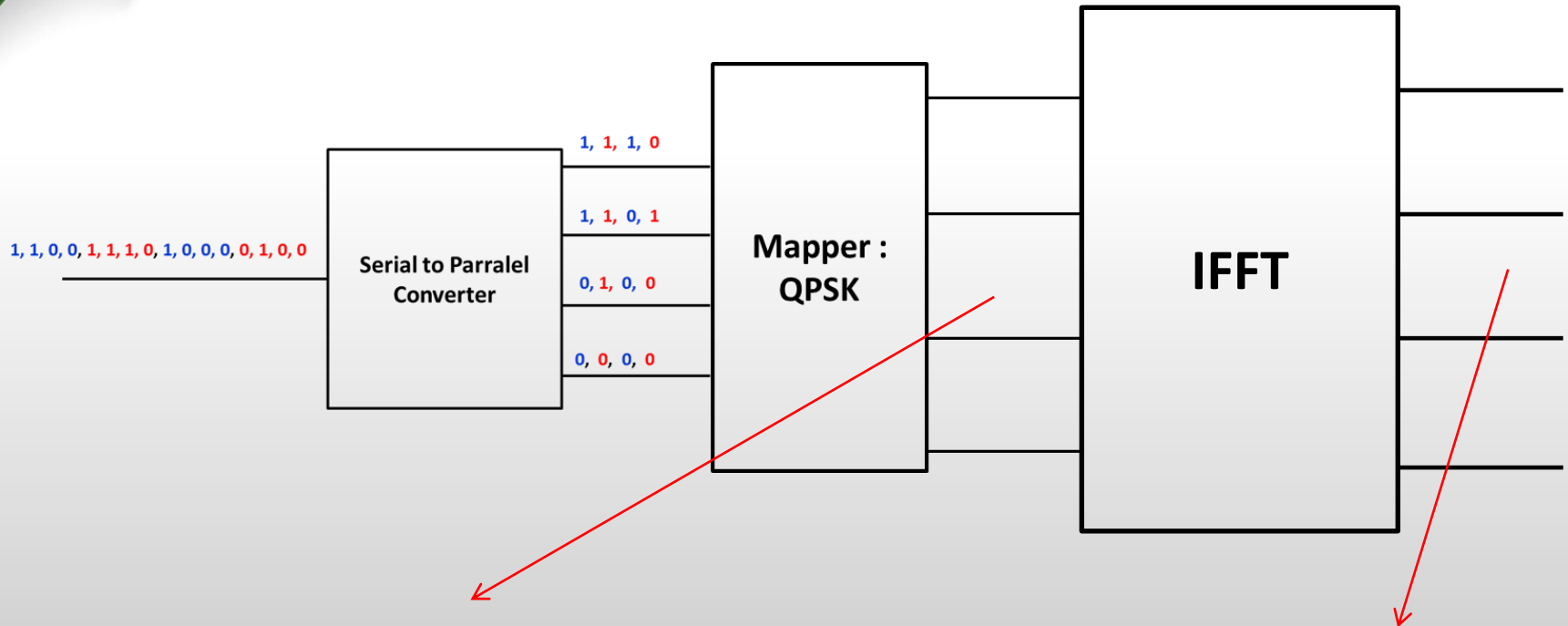
- ❑ Inverse DFT and DFT are critical in the implementation of an OFDM system.

$$IDFT \ x[n] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X[k] e^{j \frac{2\pi}{N} kn}$$

$$DFT \ X[k] = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] e^{-j \frac{2\pi}{N} kn}$$

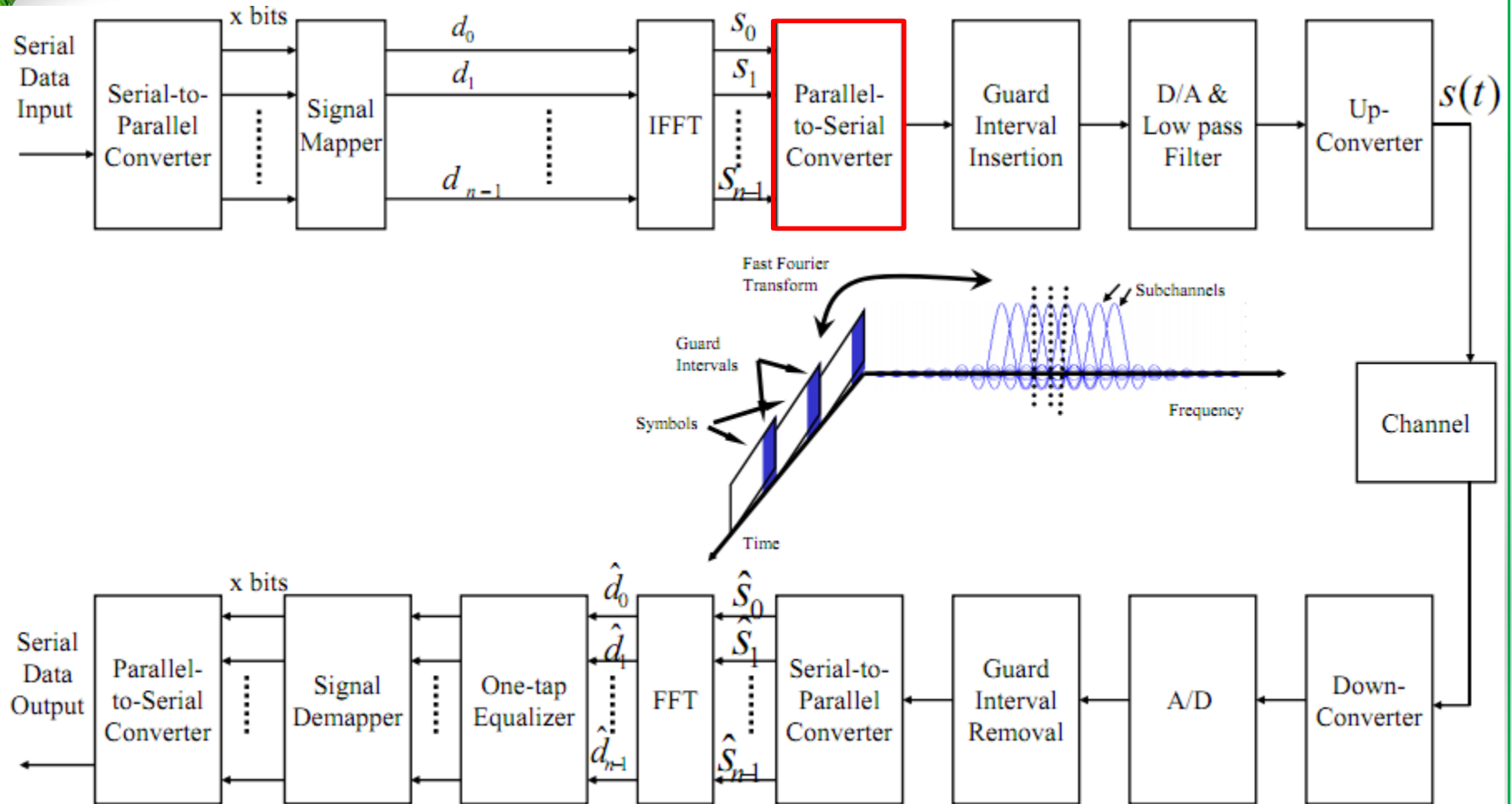
- ❑ IDFT and DFT was implemented using **IFFT and FFT algorithms**

# OFDM SYSTEM



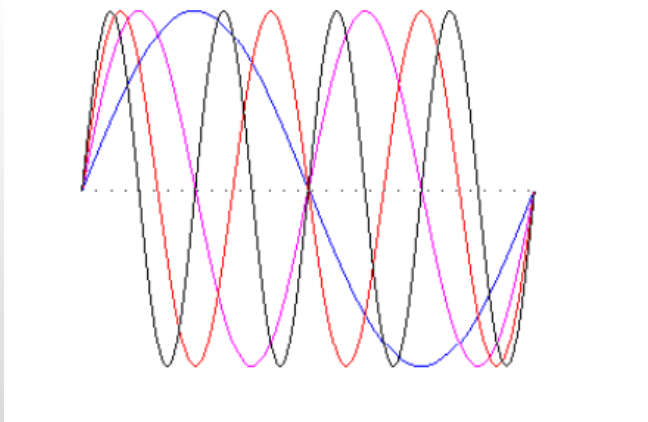


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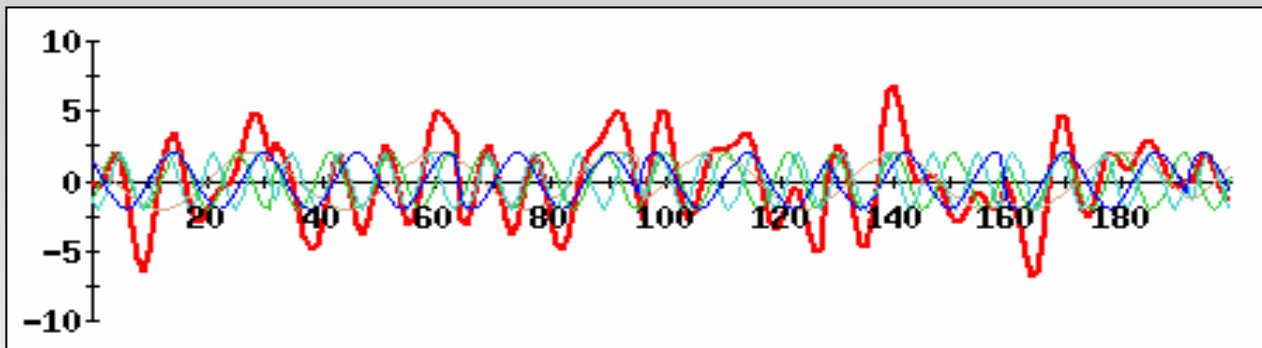
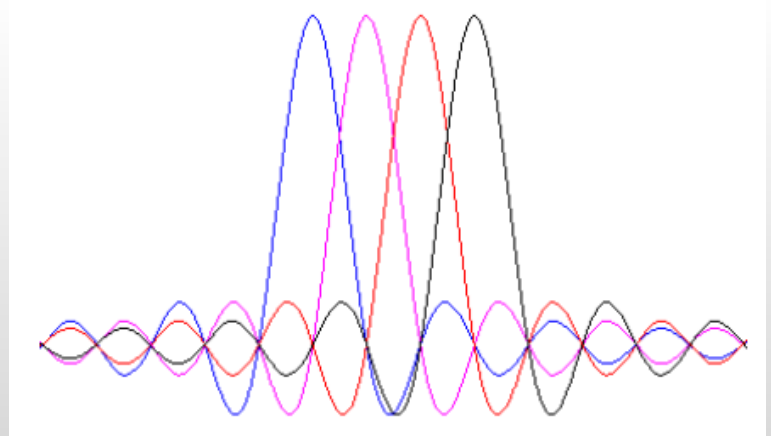
# OFDM SYSTEM

## Time domain OFDM Signal



Example of four subcarriers within one OFDM symbol

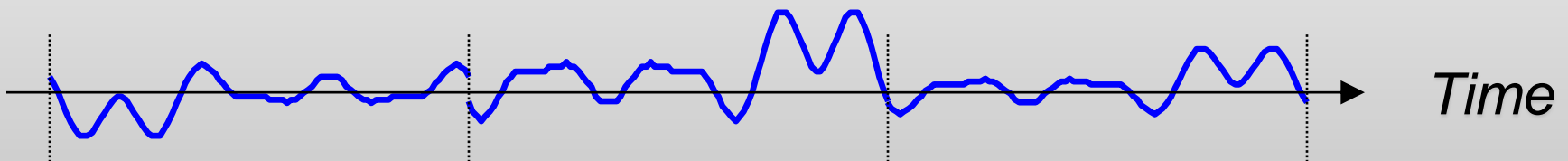
## Frequency domain OFDM Signal



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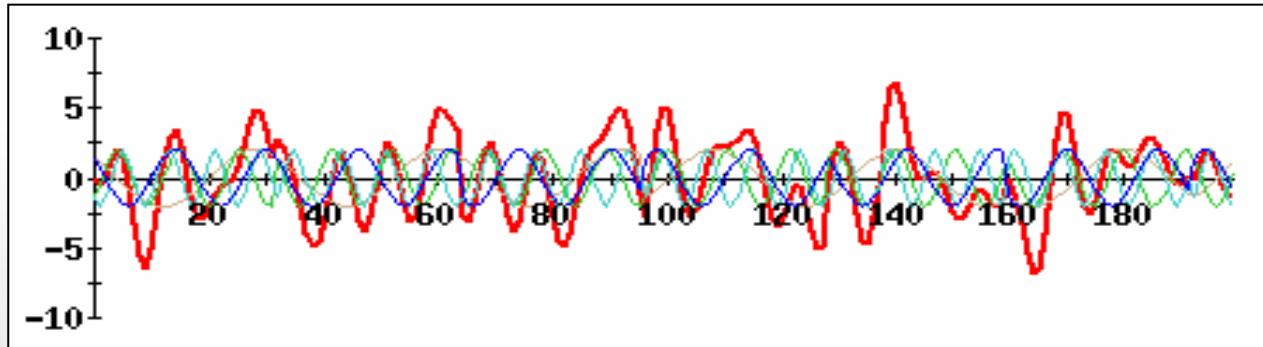
## Time domain OFDM Signal

- Each symbol carries information
- Each symbol wave is sum of many sinusoidal
- Each sinusoidal wave can be PSK, QAM modulated



*Symbol period*  
 $T=1/f_0$

# OFDM SYSTEM- PAPR



- ❑ Dynamic range at output of IFFT is much larger than at input (The large amplitude variation)
- ❑ Large Amplitude variation causes **Peak to average power ratio (PAPR)**

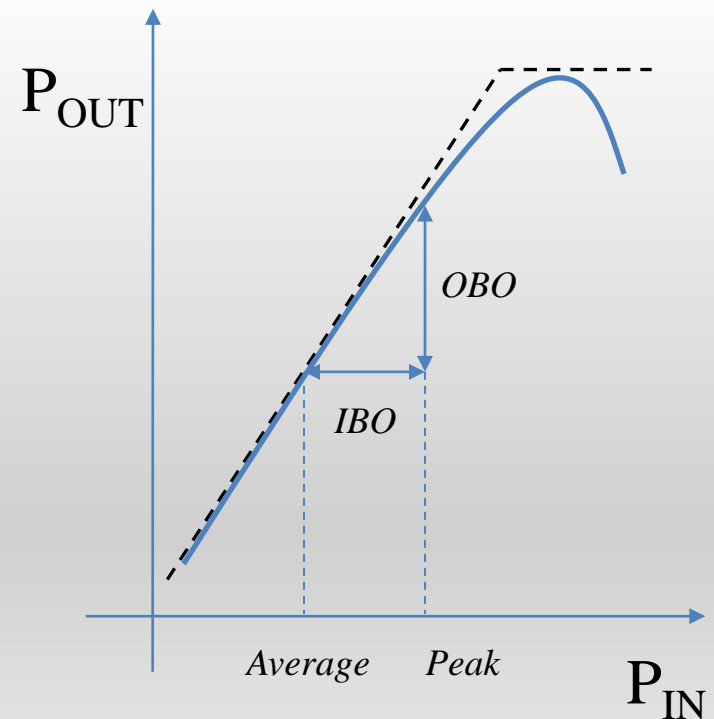
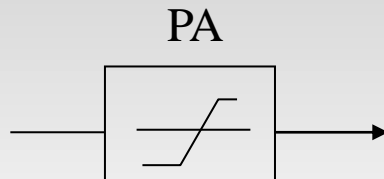
$$PAPR = \frac{|x(t)|^2}{P_{avg}}$$

- ❑ The large amplitude variation increases in-band noise and increases the BER when the signal has to go through **amplifier nonlinearities**.

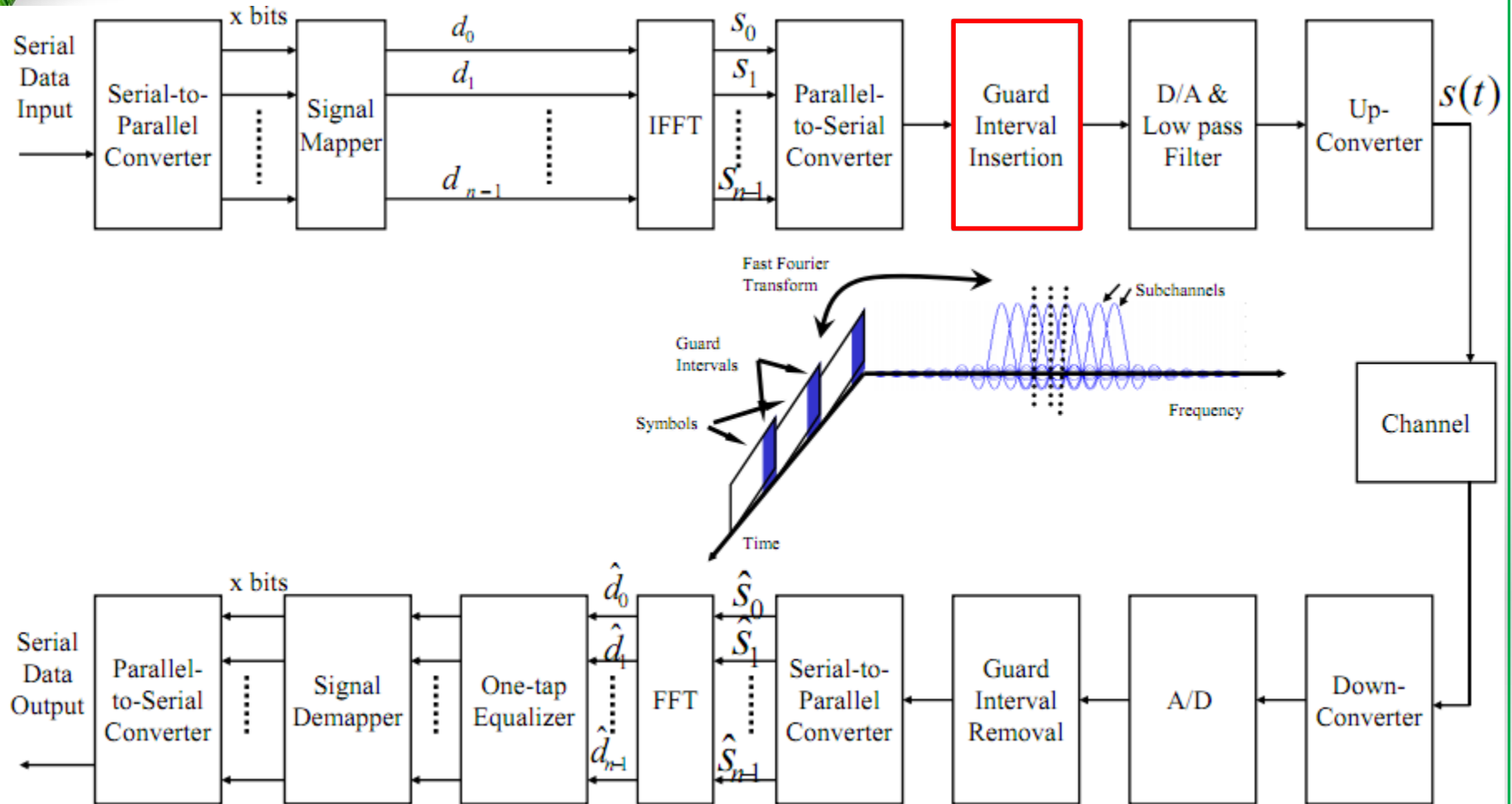
# OFDM SYSTEM- PAPR

## PAPR Problem

- High efficiency power amplifiers are desirable
  - For the handset, long battery life
  - For the base station, reduced operating costs
- A large PAPR is negative for the power amplifier efficiency
- Non-linearity results in inter-modulation
  - Degrades BER performance
  - Out-of-band radiation



# OFDM SYSTEM



# OFDM SYSTEM

Two different sources of interference can be identified in the OFDM system.

1. **Intersymbol interference (ISI)** is defined as the crosstalk between signals within the same sub-channel of consecutive FFT frames, which are separated in time by the signaling interval  $T$ .

—————→ Eliminate using **GUARD INTERVAL TIME**  
(consist of no signals)

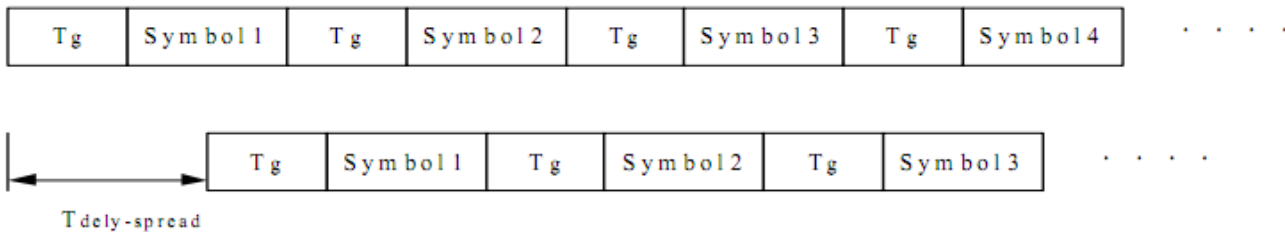
2. **Inter carrier interference (ICI)** is the crosstalk between adjacent subchannels or frequency bands of the same FFT frame.

—————→ Eliminate using **CYCLIC PREFIC**

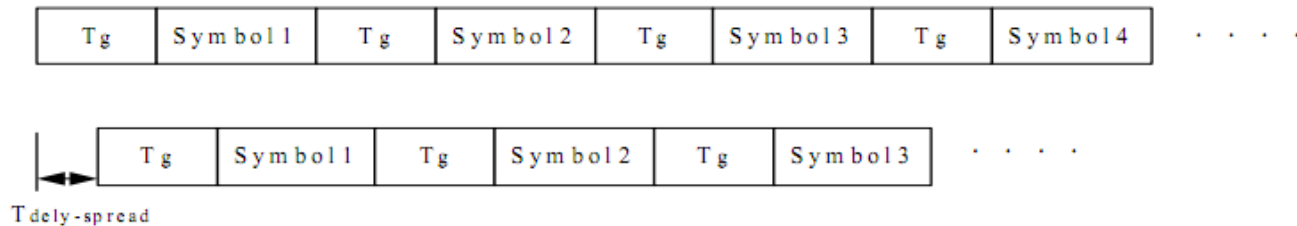
# OFDM SYSTEM

- ❑ For the purpose to eliminate the effect of ISI, the guard interval could consist of no signals at all need to be added
- ❑ Guard interval is used must  $T_g > T_{\text{delay Spread}}$

If  $T_g < T_{\text{delay-spread}}$



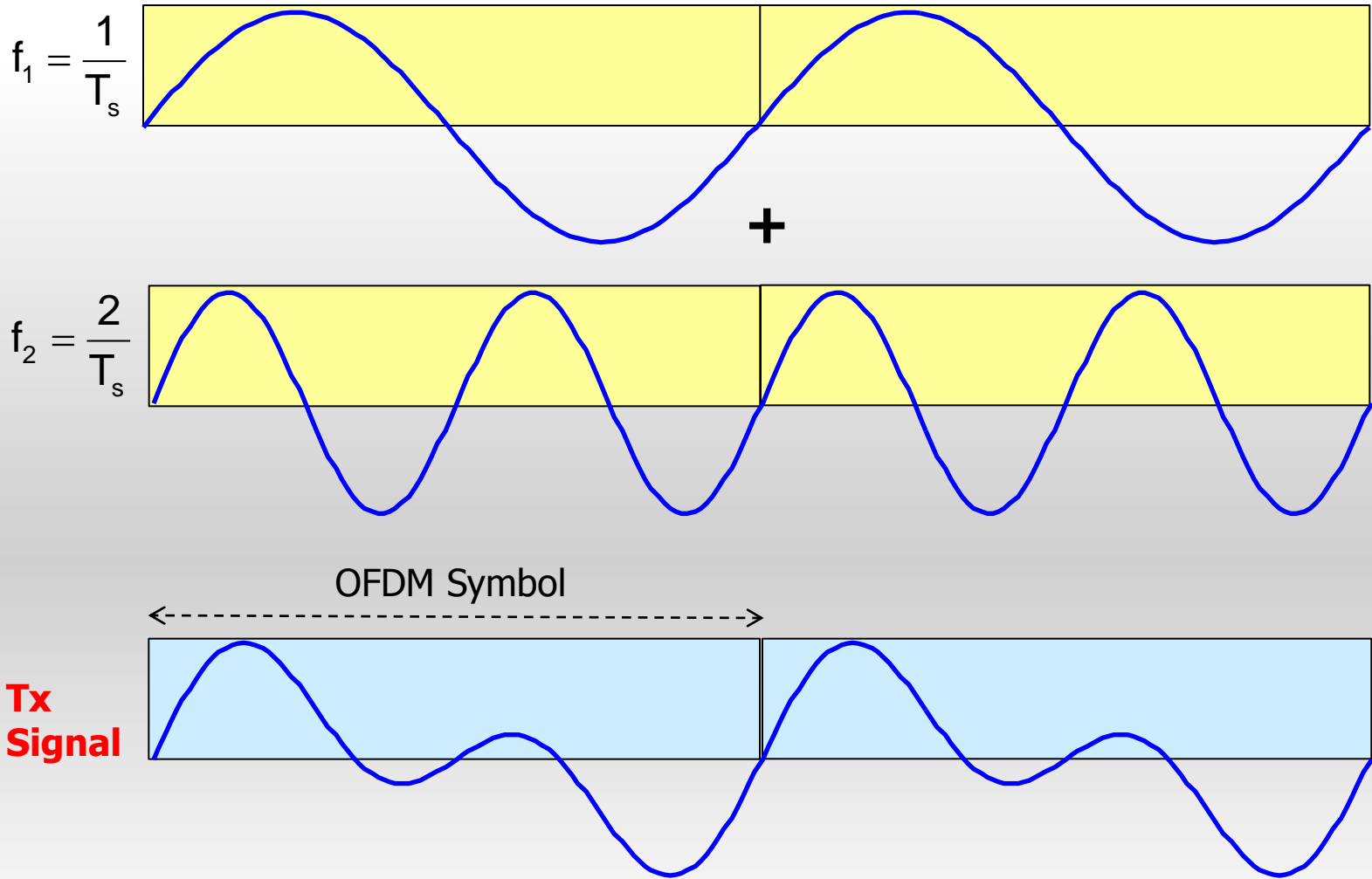
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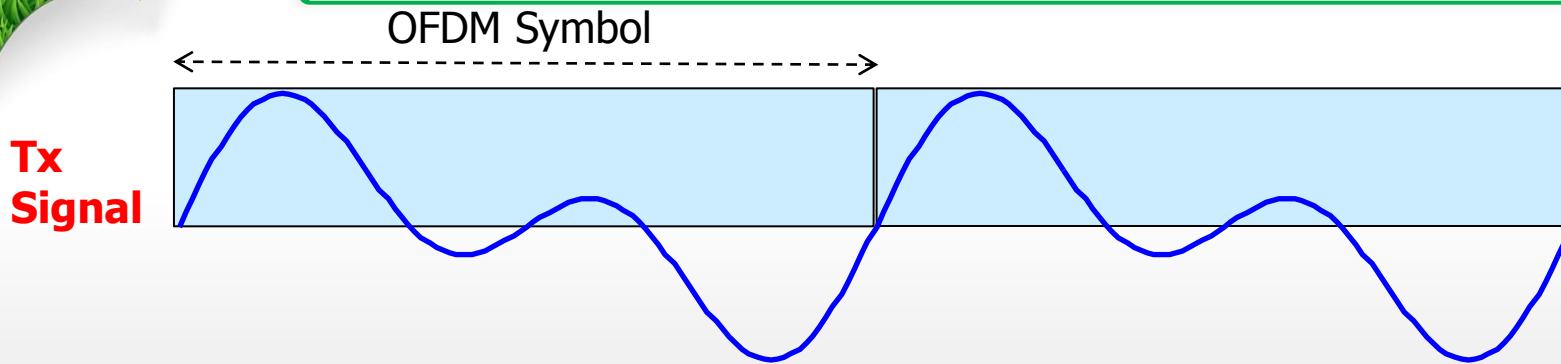


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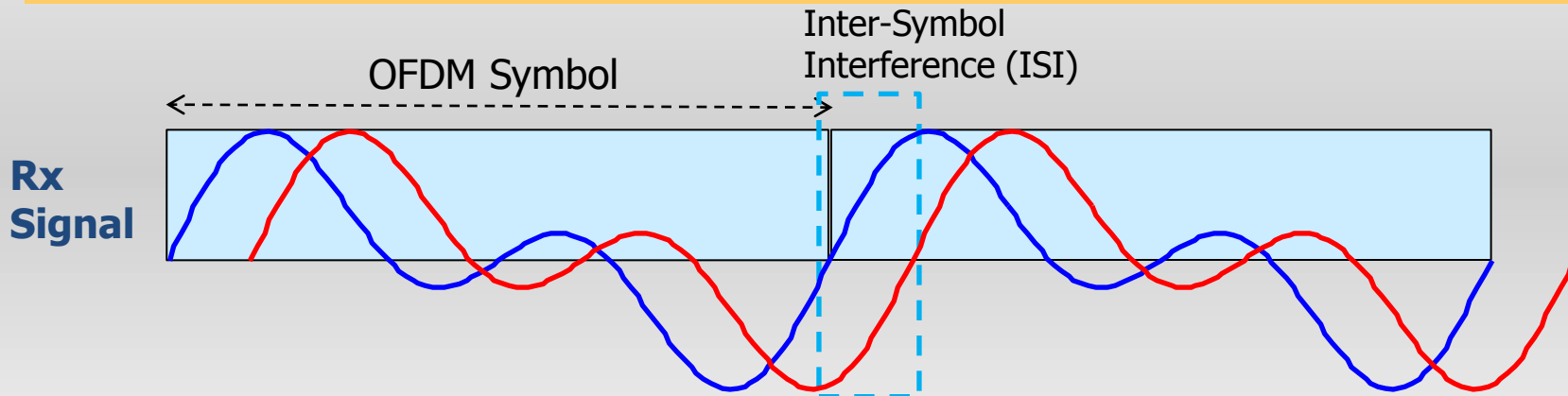
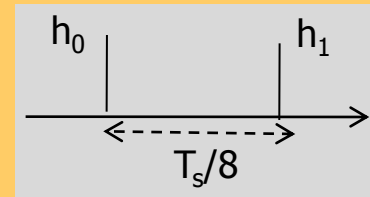
Assume **OFDM** over two subcarriers:  $f_1=1/T_s$ ,  $f_2=2/T_s$



# OFDM SYSTEM

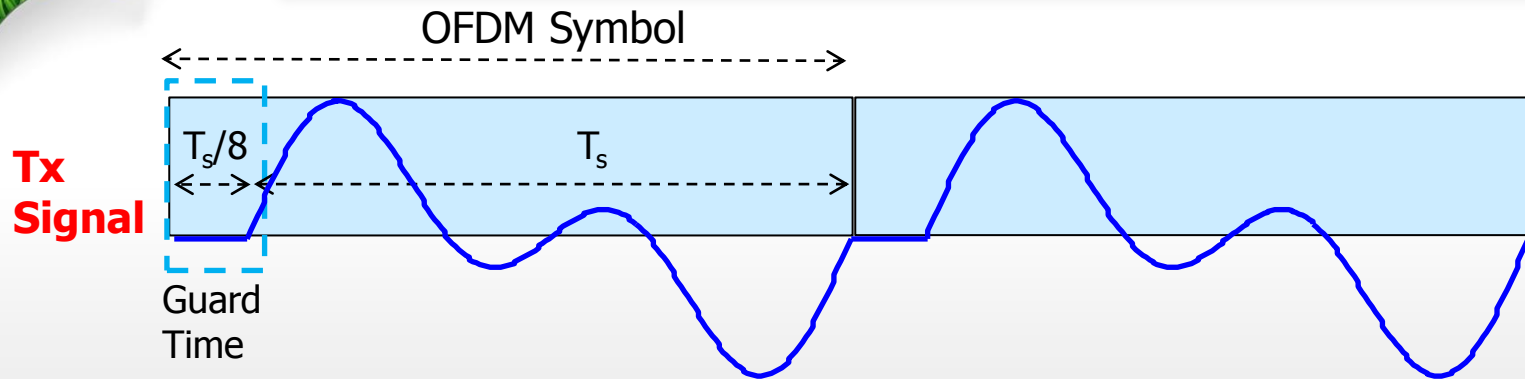


Suppose multi-path channel with delay  $T_s/8$

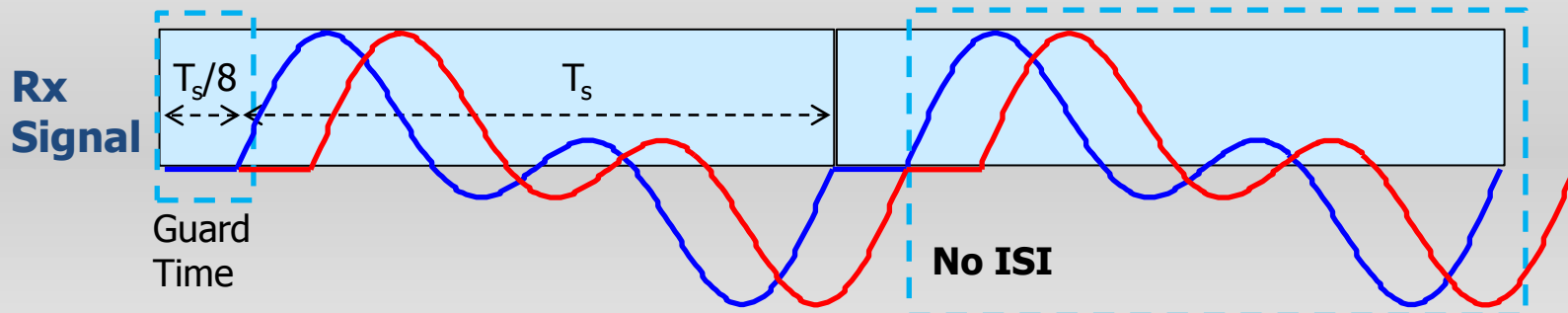
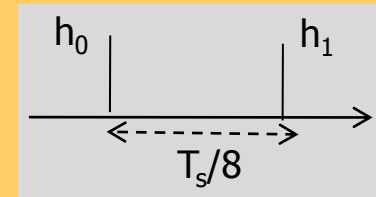


Inter-symbol interference (ISI) occurs when one OFDM symbol affects the next one due to the multi-path channel

# OFDM SYSTEM



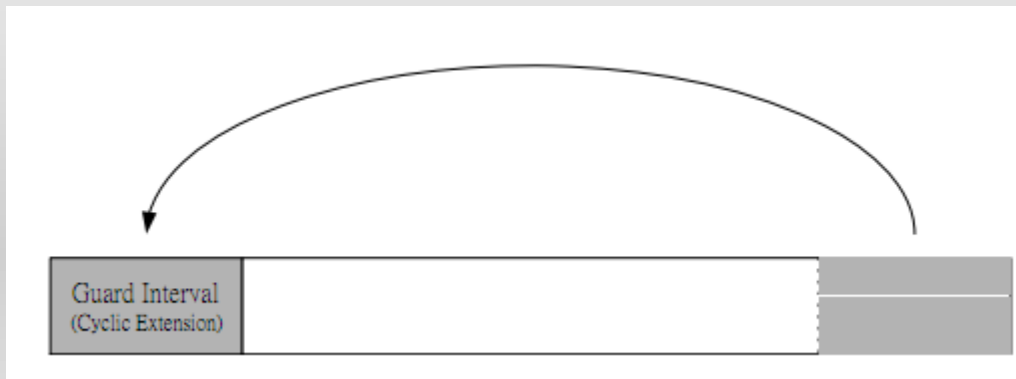
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- Guard Time eliminates ISI between neighboring OFDM symbols
- However each OFDM symbol suffers from *inter-carrier interference (ICI)*
- Guard time corresponds to a reduction of bit rate

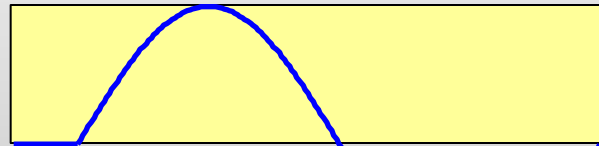
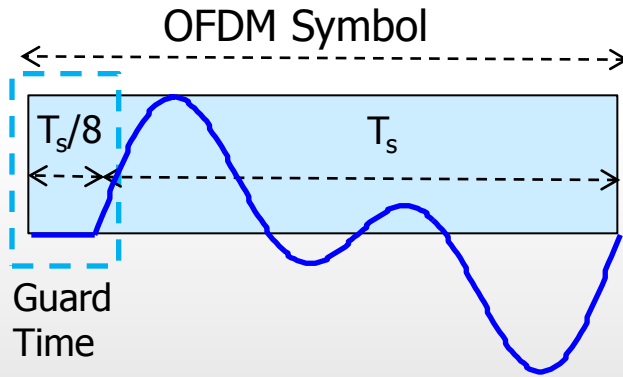
# OFDM SYSTEM

- ❑ To eliminate ICI, the OFDM symbol is **cyclically** extended in the guard interval.
- ❑ This ensures that delayed replicas of the OFDM symbol always have an integer number of cycles within the FFT interval, as long as the delay is smaller than the guard interval.

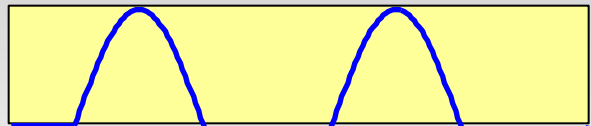


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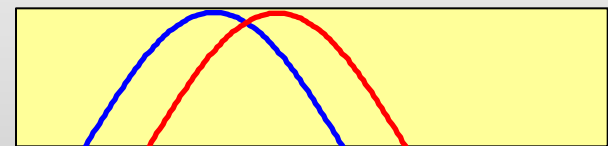
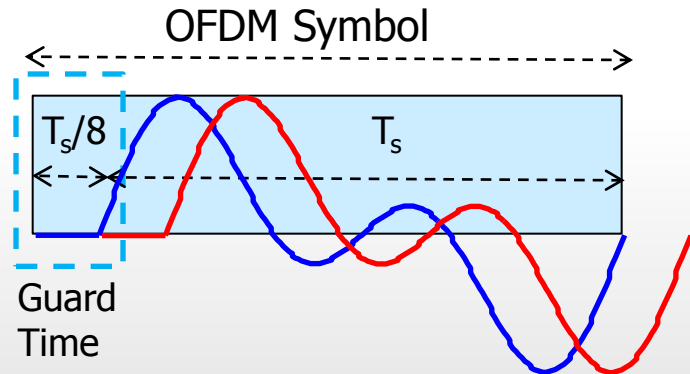
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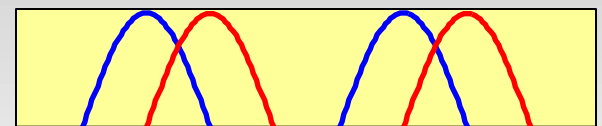
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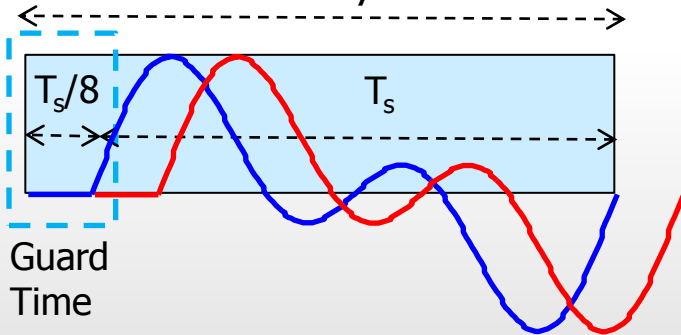
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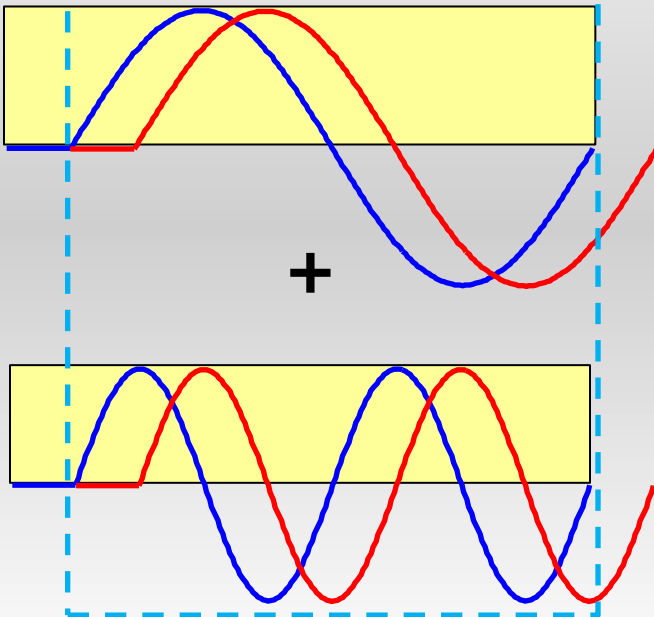
# OFDM SYSTEM

## Rx Signal

OFDM Symbol

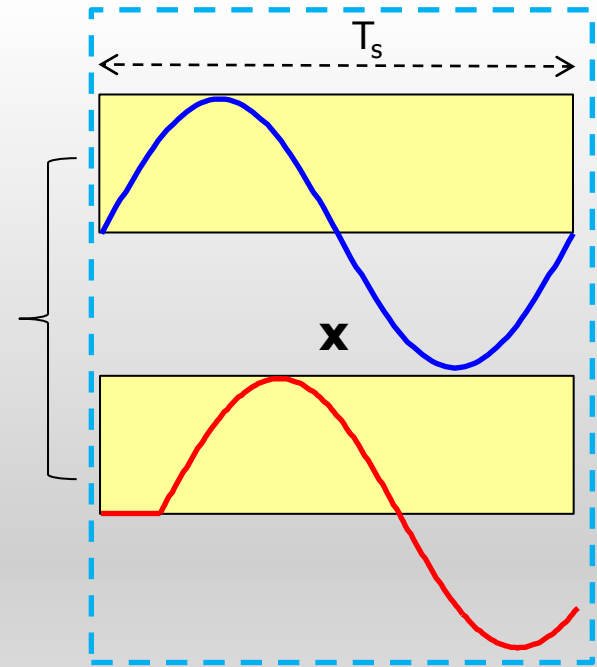


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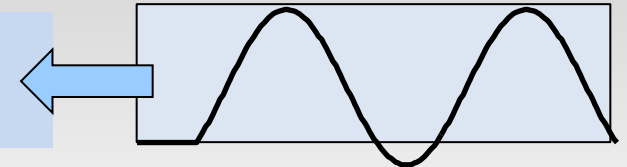


Consider the receiver for  $f_1=1/T_s$  that correlates over  $T_s$  with  $\sin(2\pi t/T_s)$

Not Orthogonal



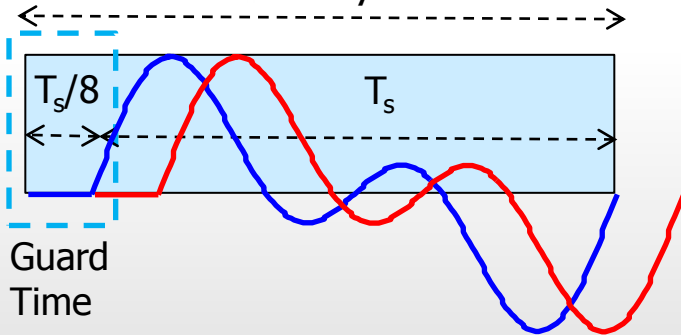
Intra-Carrier Interference



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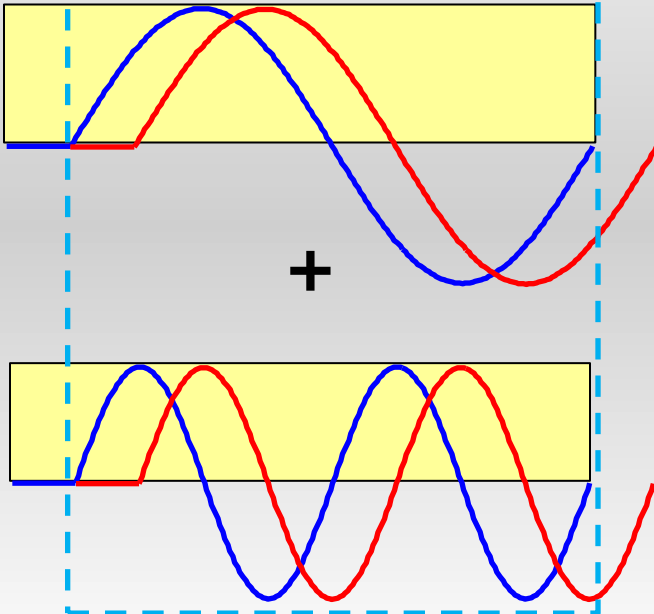
## Rx Signal

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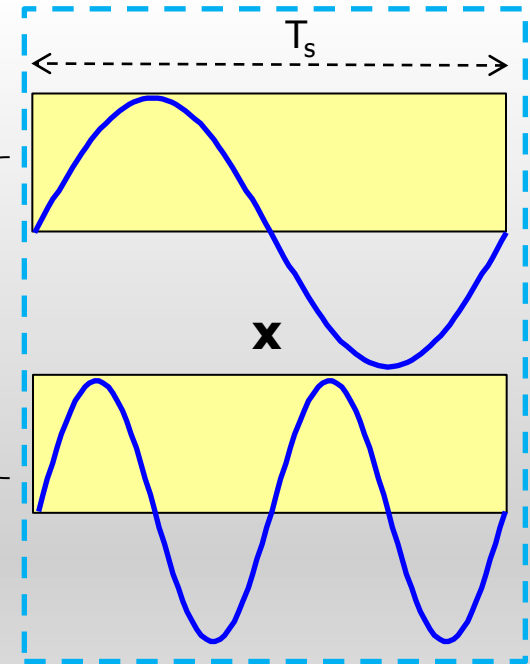
Guard Time

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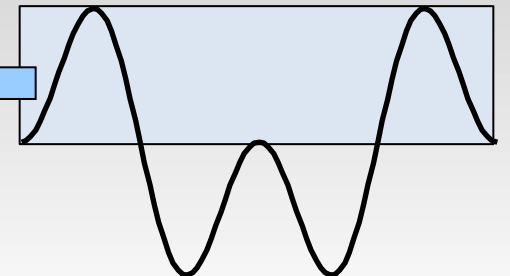


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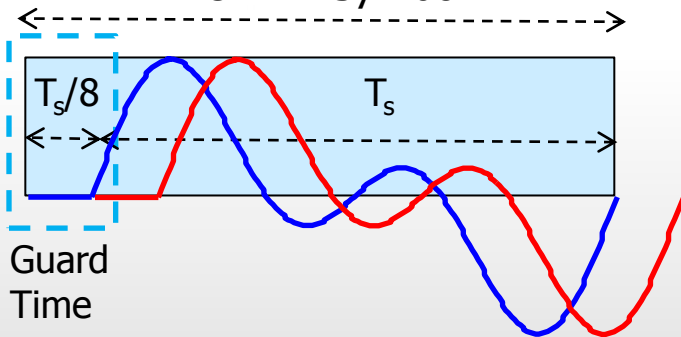
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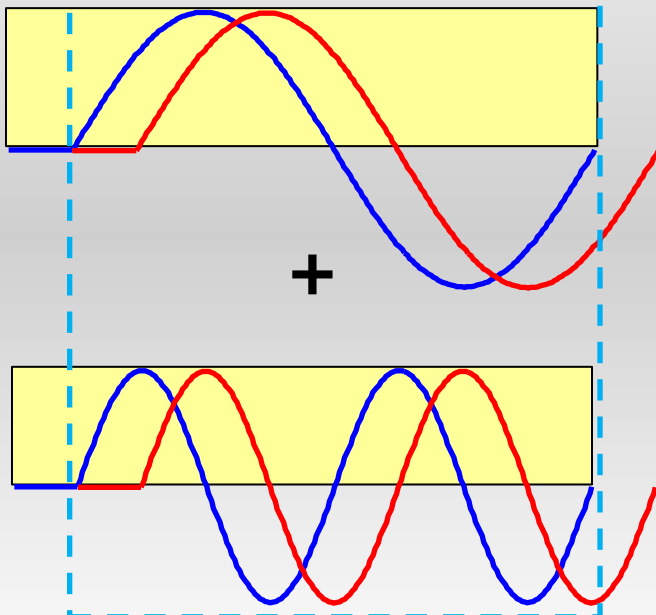
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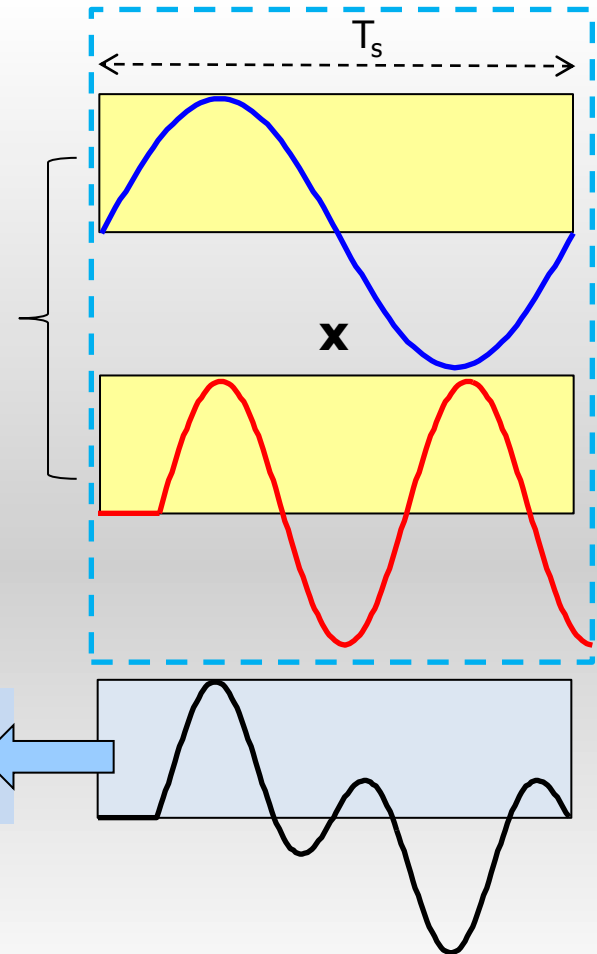


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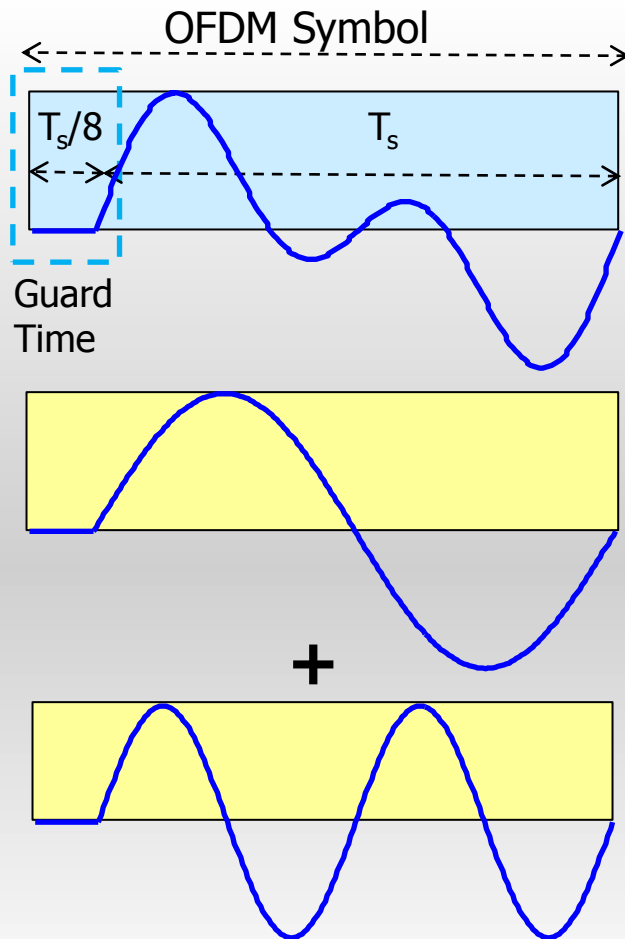
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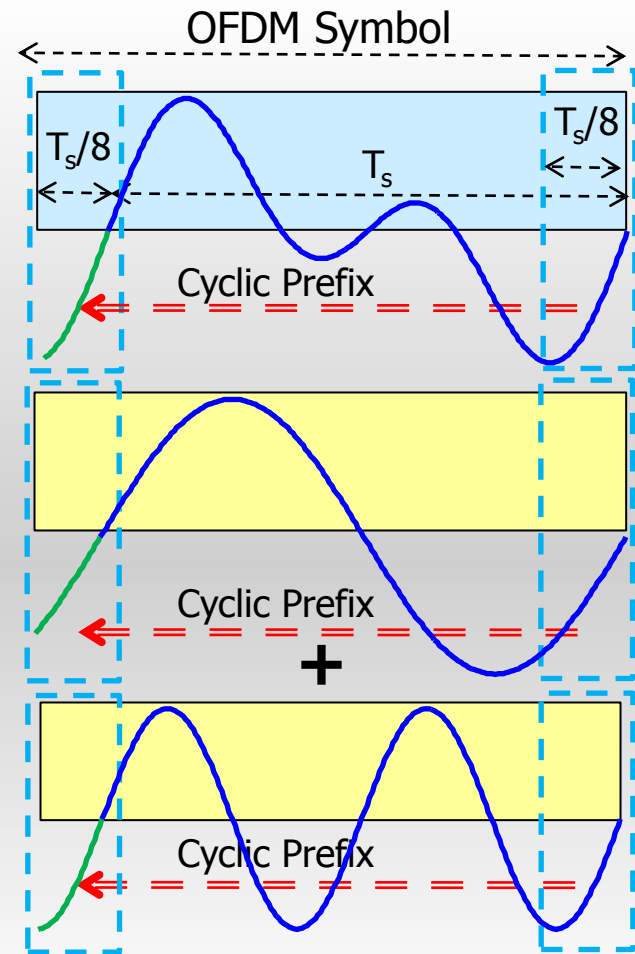
# OFDM SYSTEM

The cyclic prefix is used to eliminate *Inter-carrier interference*

## Tx Signal (Guard Time)



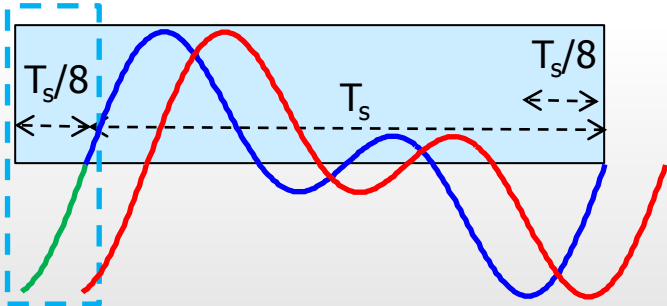
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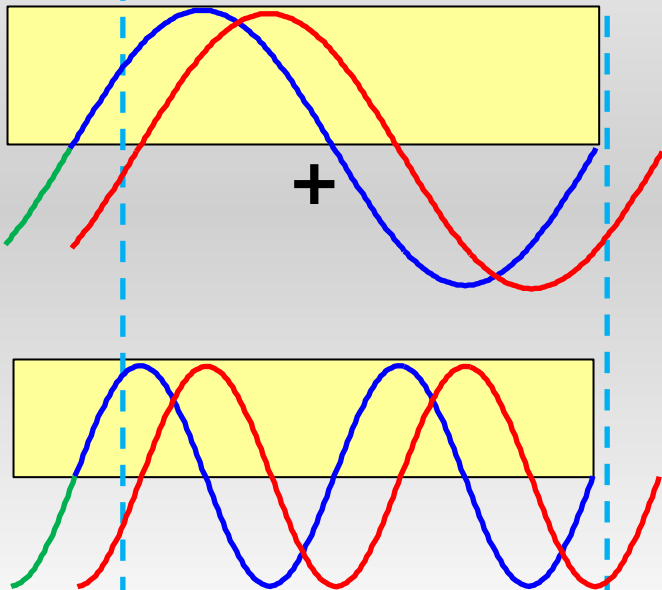
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Cyclic Prefix

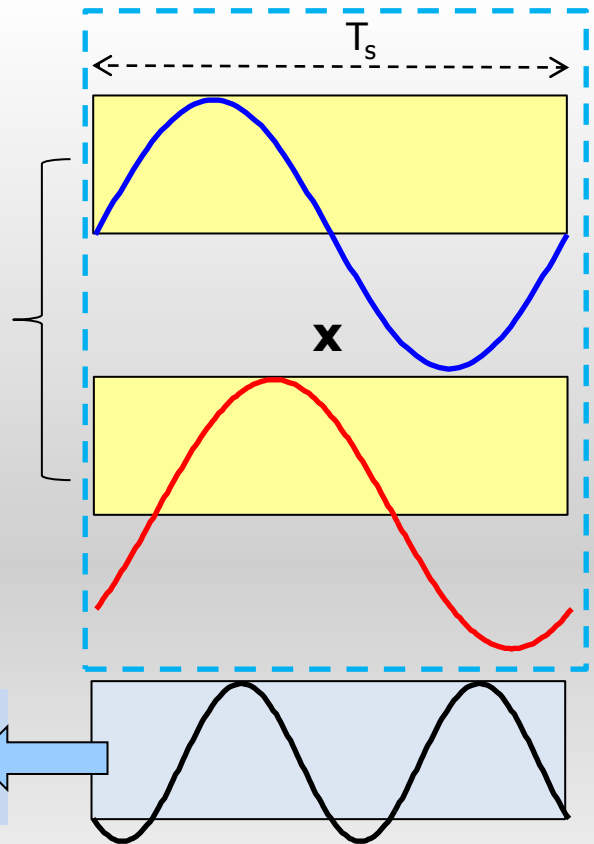


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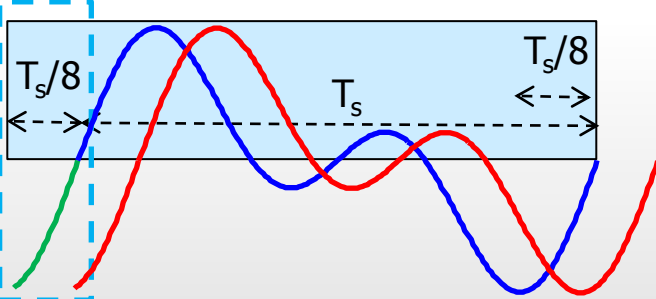


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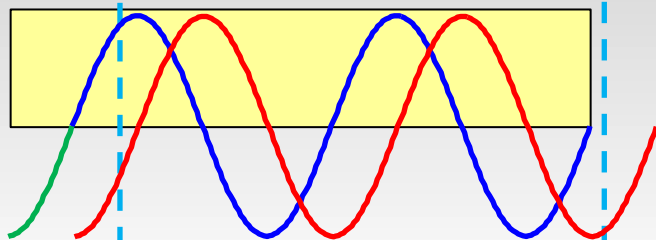
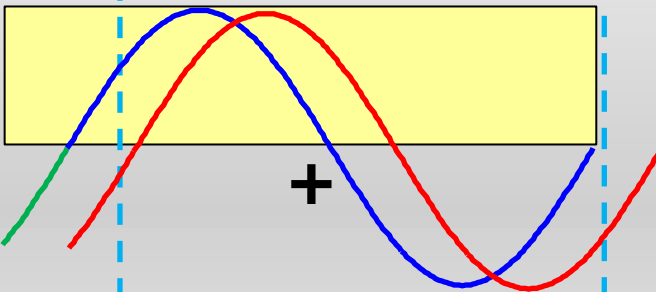
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Cyclic Prefix

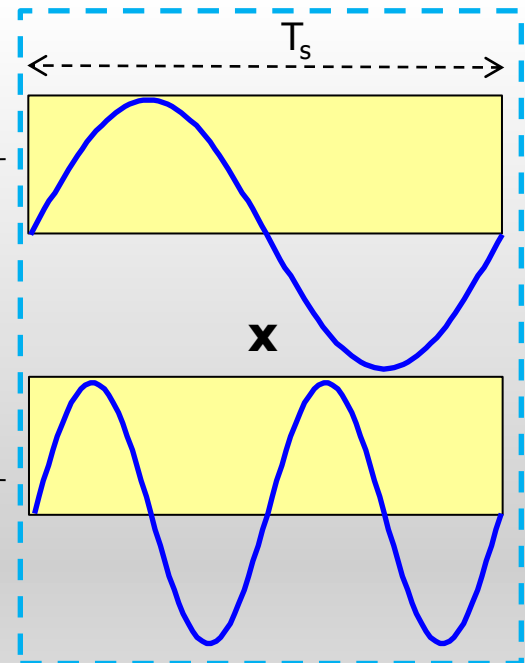


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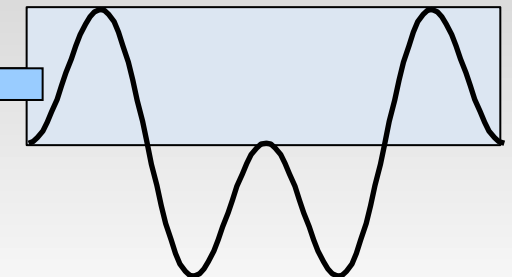


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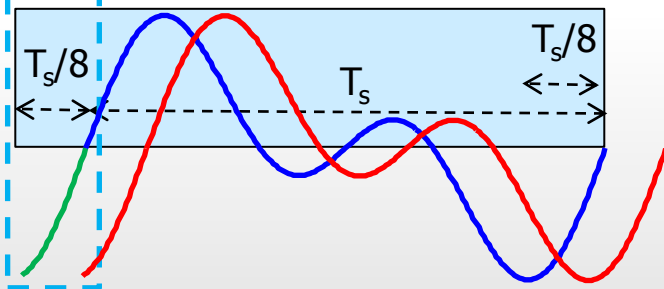
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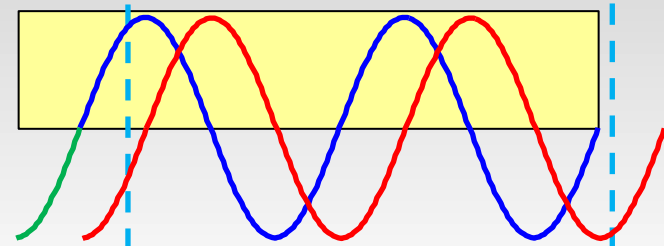
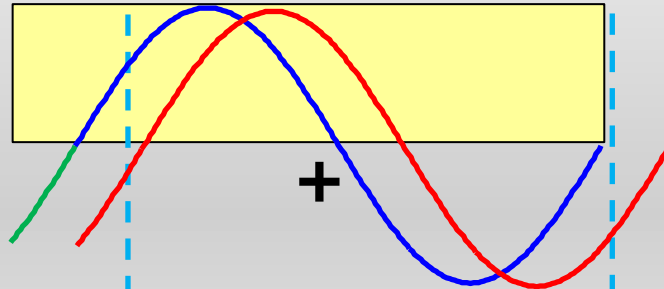
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Cyclic Prefix

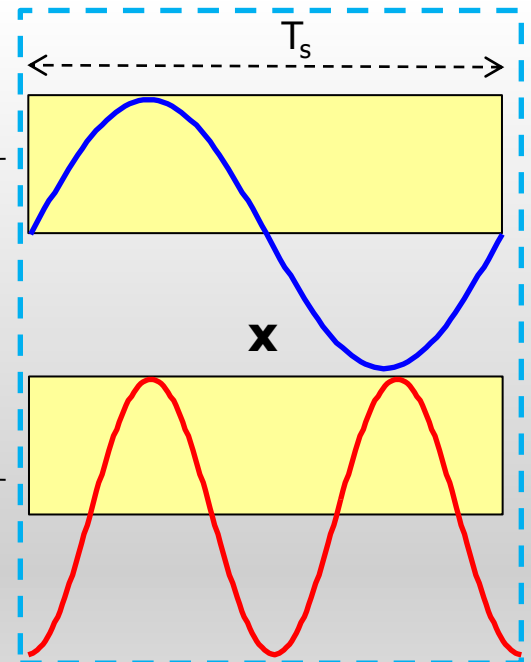


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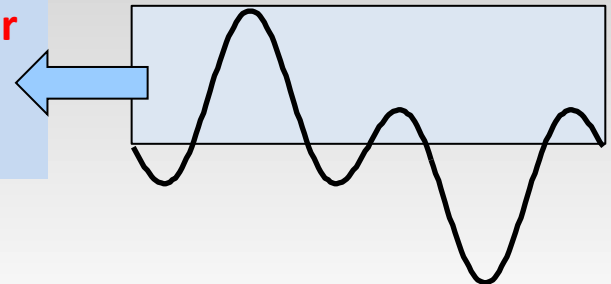


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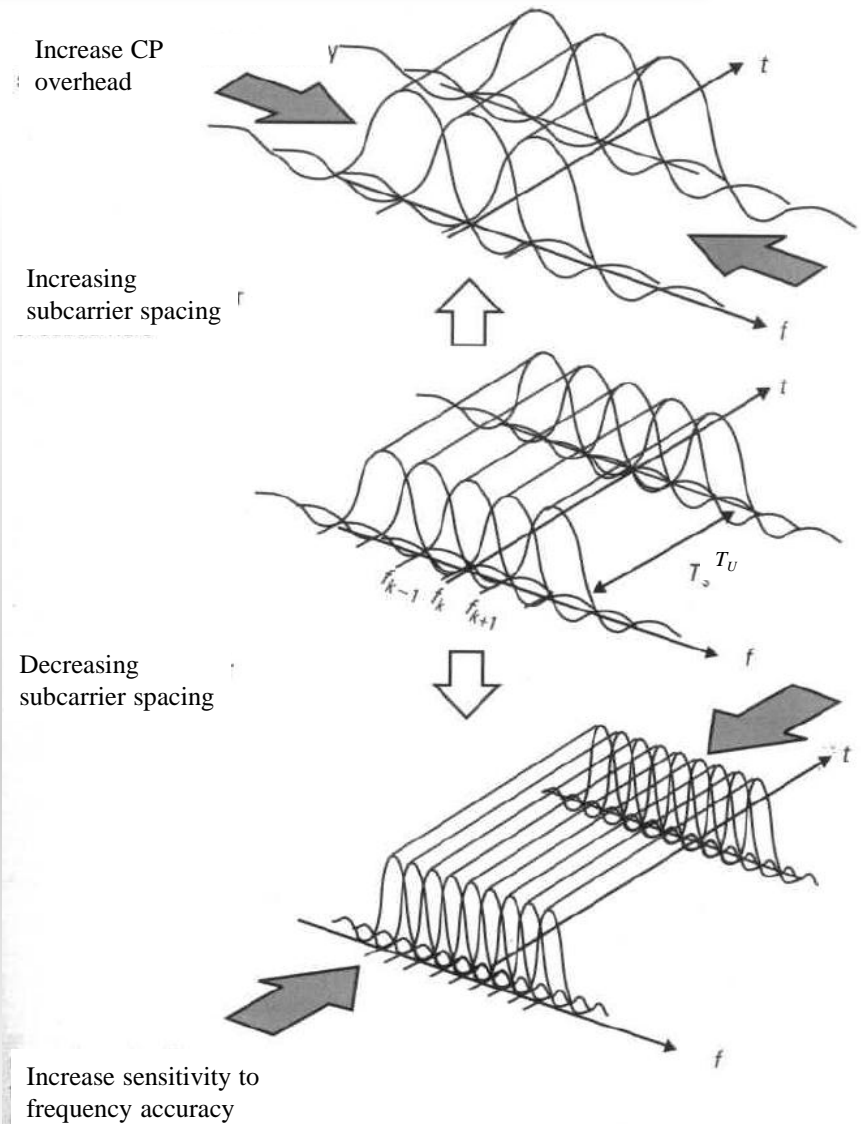


No Inter-Carrier Interference



# OFDM PARAMETER

- Symbol time ( $T_U$ ) and subcarrier spacing ( $\Delta f$ ) are inverse
  - $T_U = 1/\Delta f$
- Consequences of increasing the subcarrier spacing
  - Increase cyclic prefix overhead
- Consequences of decreasing the subcarrier spacing
  - Increase sensitivity to frequency inaccuracy
  - Increasing number of subcarriers increases Tx and Rx complexity



# OFDM modulation and data rate

Modulation with Sub Channels	Data Rate Per Subchannel (Kbps)	Total Data Rate (Mbps)
BPSK	125	6
BPSK	187.5	9
QBPSK	250	12
QBPSK	375	18
16QAM	500	24
16QAM	750	36
64QAM	1000	48
64QAM	1125	54



# OFDM Variants

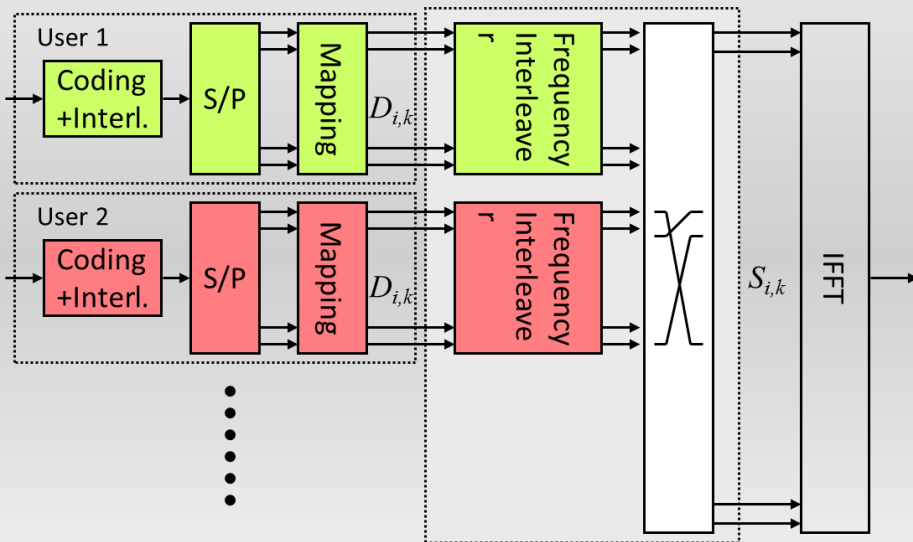
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- ❑ Coded OFDM, or COFDM, is a term used for a system in which the error control coding and OFDM modulation processes work closely together.
- ❑ It is a form of OFDM where error correction coding is incorporated into the signal.
- ❑ An important step in a COFDM system is to interleave and code the bits prior to the IFFT. This step serves the purpose of taking adjacent bits in the source data and spreading them out across multiple subcarriers.



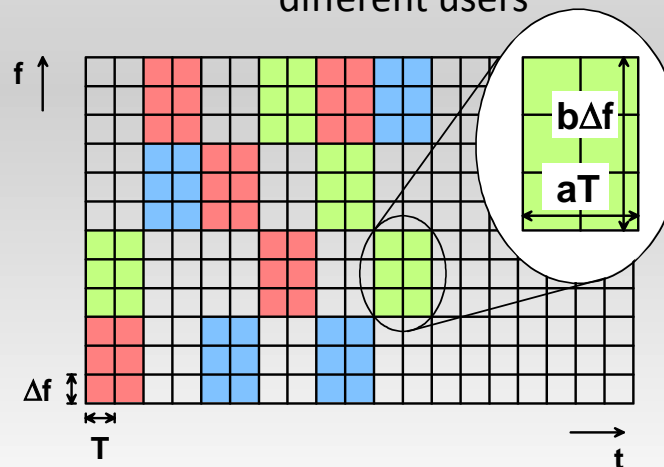
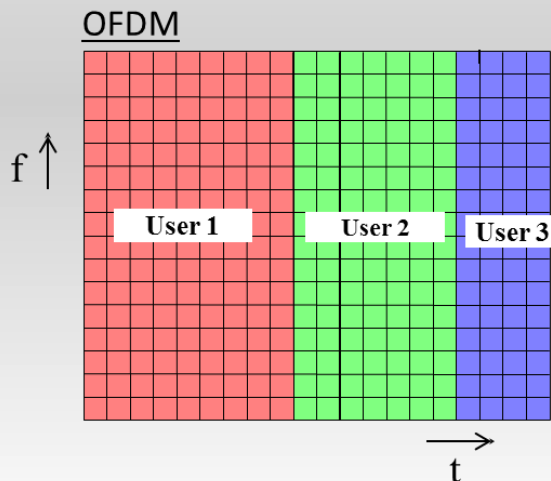
Adopted for → HDSL, ADSL, VHDSL , digital audiobroadcasting (DAB), digital television and HDTV terrestrial broadcasting.



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- ❑ It is a multi-user version of the OFDM digital modulation scheme.
- ❑ Multiple access is achieved in OFDMA by assigning subsets of subcarriers to individual users.
- ❑ In OFDMA the subcarrier of the symbol may be divided between multiple users thus enabling better use of radio resources
- ❑ This allows simultaneous low data rate transmission from several users.
- ❑ OFDMA supports differentiated quality of service by assigning different number of sub-carriers to different users

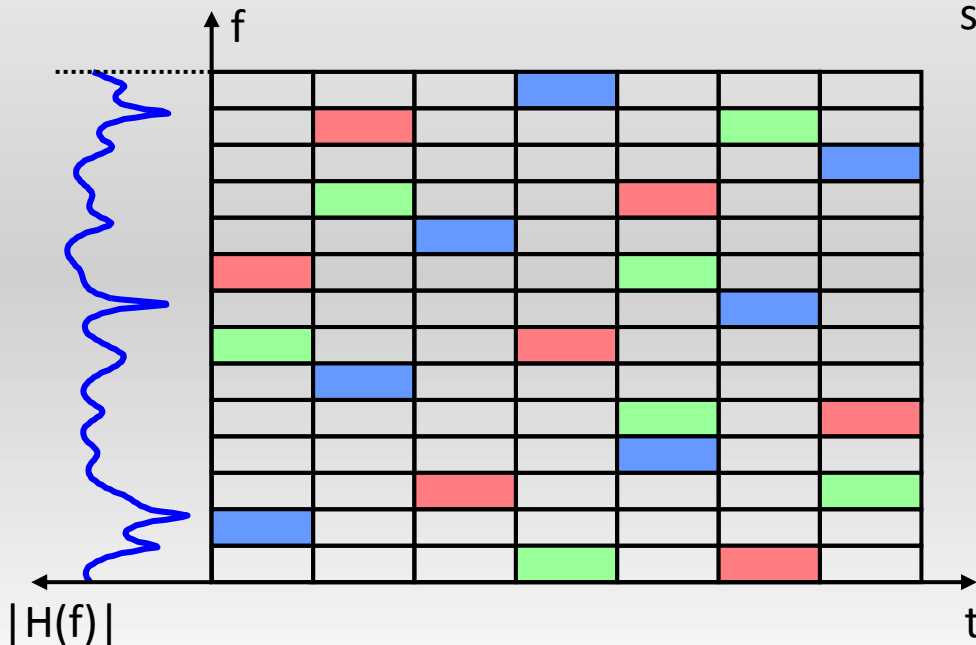


Adopted for →  
Wi-Fi,  
WiMAX, 3GPP  
UMTS & 3GPP@  
LTE

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- ❑ Flash-OFDM, also referred to as F-OFDM, was based on OFDM and also specified higher protocol layers.
- ❑ F-OFDMt is a fast hopped form of OFDM.
- ❑ It uses multiple tones and fast hopping to spread signals over a given spectrum band.

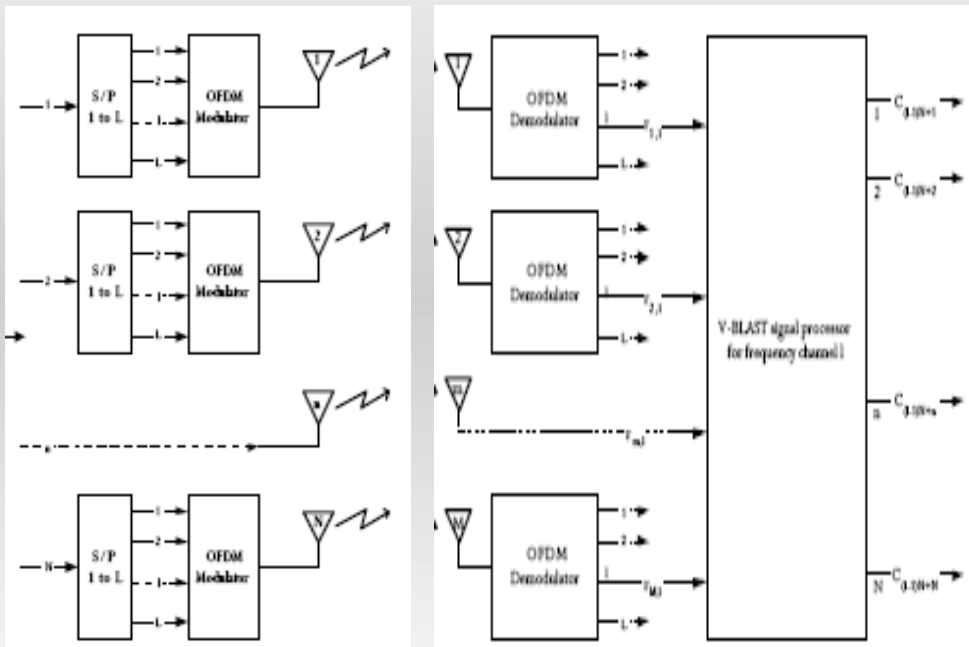


Adopted for →  
IEEE 802.20 or  
Mobile  
Broadband  
Wireless Access

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- **Vector OFDM (VOFDM)**
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- ❑ VOFDM uses the concept of MIMO (Multiple input multiple output) technology.
- ❑ By using spatial diversity, a wireless system's tolerance to noise, interference, and multipath can be greatly increased.
- ❑ Vector OFDM can deliver multiple signals on a single antenna or receive them on multiple antennas. This increases the likelihood of a good signal being received.
- ❑ By placing two or more antennas in a wireless system with each having a different set of multipath signals,



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- ❑ In Wideband OFDM, the spacing between the channels is large enough so that any frequency errors between the transmitter and receiver have no effect on the performance of the system.
- ❑ It is particularly applicable to Wi-Fi systems. WOFDM allows several independent channels to operate within the same band.

Adopted for →  
IEEE 802.11a/g/n



# ADVANTAGES OF OFDM

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- Robust in multi-path propagation environment
- More tolerant of delay spread
  - Due to the use of many sub-carriers, the symbol duration is increased, relative to delay spread
  - Inter-symbol interference is avoided through the use of guard interval
  - Simplified or eliminate equalization needs, as compared to single carrier modulation
- More resistant to fading
  - Low symbol rate per carrier provides the robustness against frequency selective fading or narrowband interference
  - FEC is used to correct for sub-carriers that suffer from deep fade
- Multi-carrier with single frequency network (SFN)



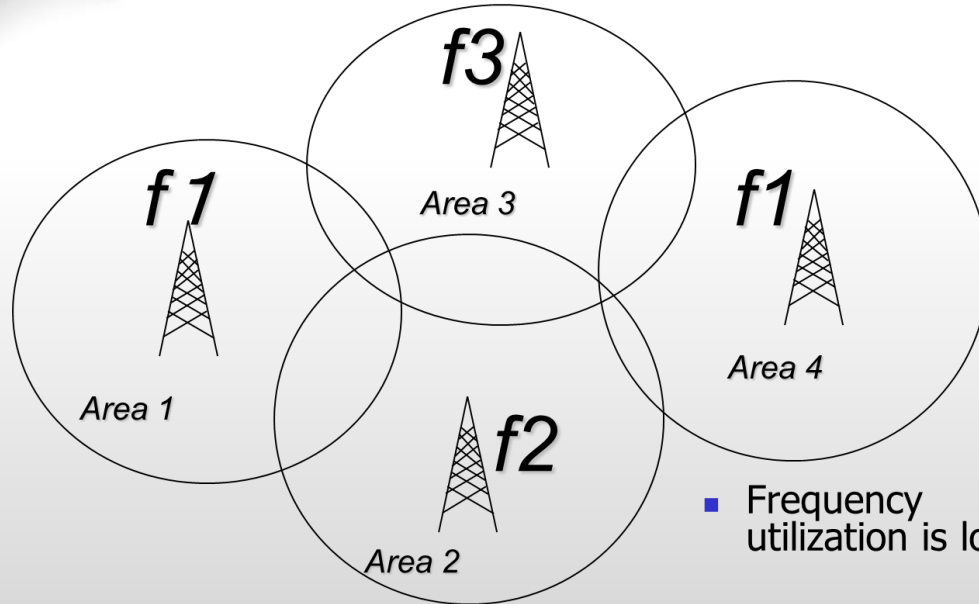
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## OFDM Good for Broadband Systems

- Most broadband systems are subjects to multipath transmission
- Conventional solution to multipath is an equalizer in the receiver
  - Equalizers are too complicated at high data rates
- With OFDM there is a simple way of dealing with multipath
  - Relatively simple DSP algorithms

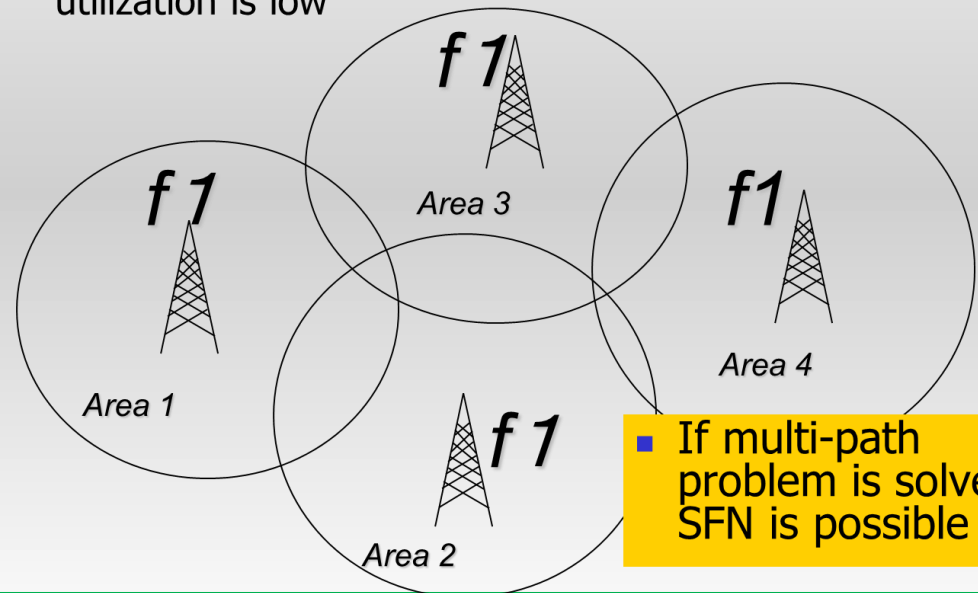
# ADVANTAGES OF OFDM



**Multiple Frequency Network**

- Frequency utilization is low

**Single Frequency Network**



- If multi-path problem is solved, SFN is possible



# ADVANTAGES OF OFDM

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- Feature of OFDM
  1. High Frequency utilization by the square spectrum shape
  2. Multi-path problem is solved by GI
  3. Multiple services in one OFDM by sharing sub-carriers (3 services in ISDB-T)
  4. SFN
  5. Implementation was complicated but NOW possible because of LSI technology progress





# CHALLENGES FOR OFDM

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- Synchronization challenges
  - Transmitter frequency  $\neq$  Receiver frequency
    - Mesochronous: same frequency, different phase
    - Pleisochrnous: slightly different frequencies
    - Asynchronous: totally different frequencies
  - Transmitter sampling time  $\neq$  Receiver sampling time
  - Symbol timing is unknown to receiver
- Peak-to Average Power Ratio (PAPR)
  - Dynamic range at output of IFFT is much larger than at input
  - it is about 2 dB higher than that of the ATSC 8-VSB system.  
A larger Tx (more dynamic range) might be required or using pre-distortion and better filtering to reduce the first adjacent channel interference
- Channel estimation for time varying environment



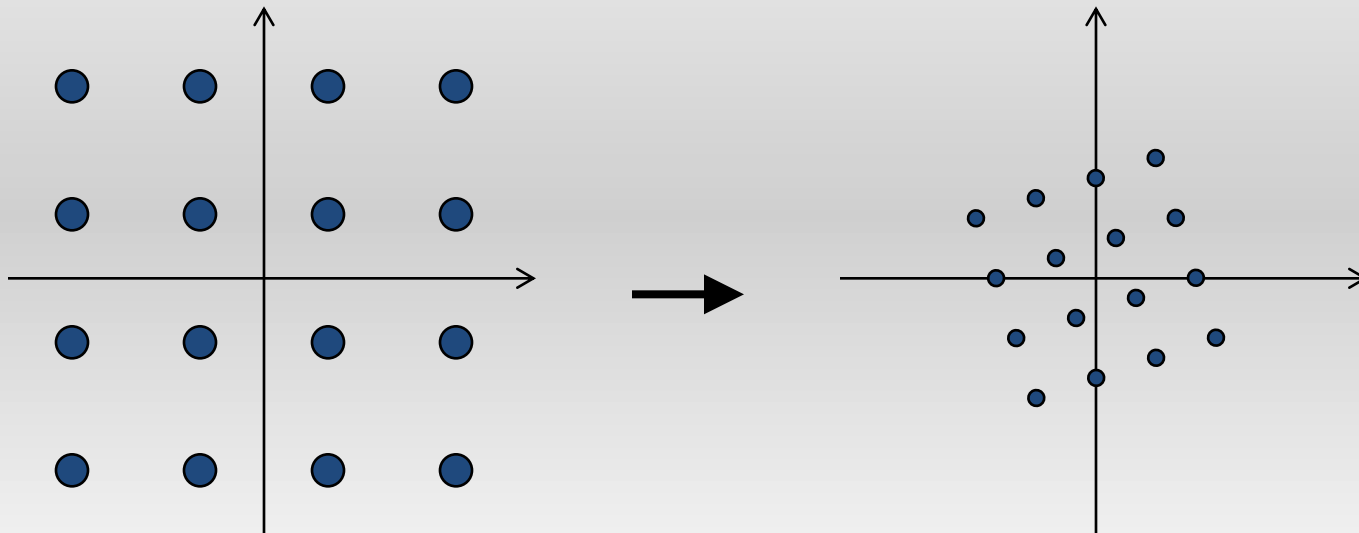
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- WHY OFDM?
- WHAT IS OFDM?
- OFDM SIGNAL GENERATION
- OFDM SPECTRUM
- OFDM VARIANT
- ADVANTAGES OF OFDM
- CHALLENGES OF OFDM

# GUARD TIME INTERVAL $T_g$

- By adding GI, orthogonality can be maintained
- However, multi-path causes Amplitude and Phase distortion for each sub-carrier
- The distortion has to be compensated by Equalizer

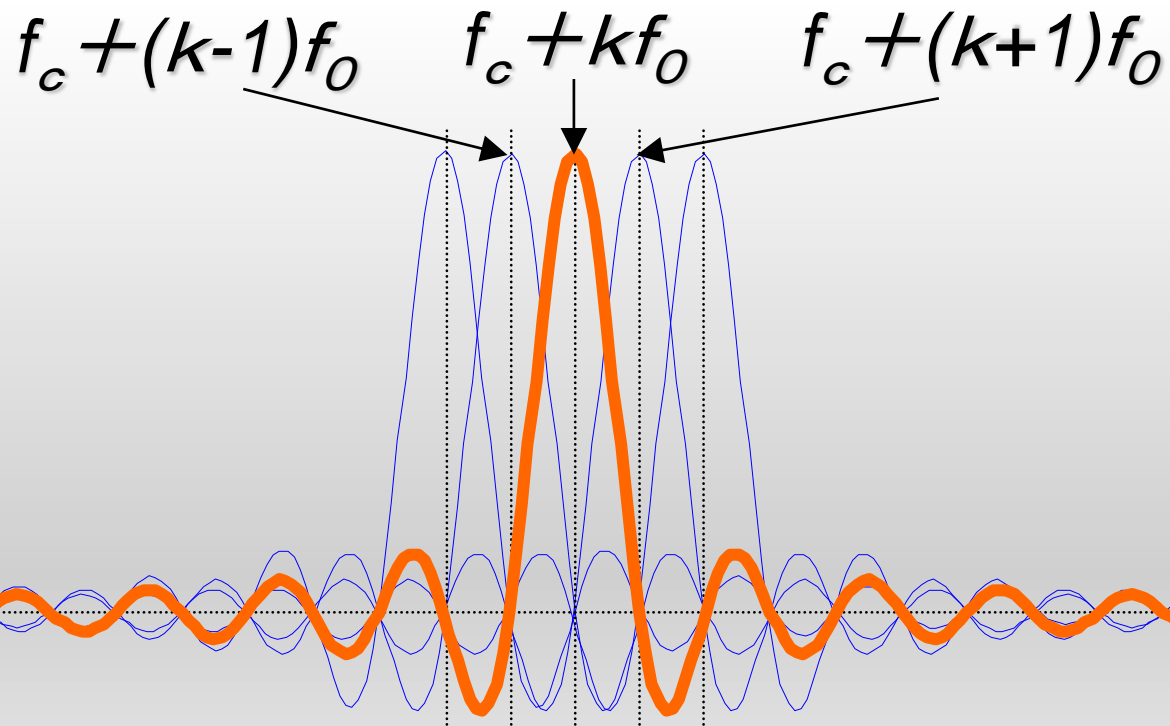


# OFDM SIGNAL GENERATION

$$s(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \left[ a_n \cos\{2\pi(f_c + nf_0)t\} - b_n \sin\{2\pi(f_c + nf_0)t\} \right]$$

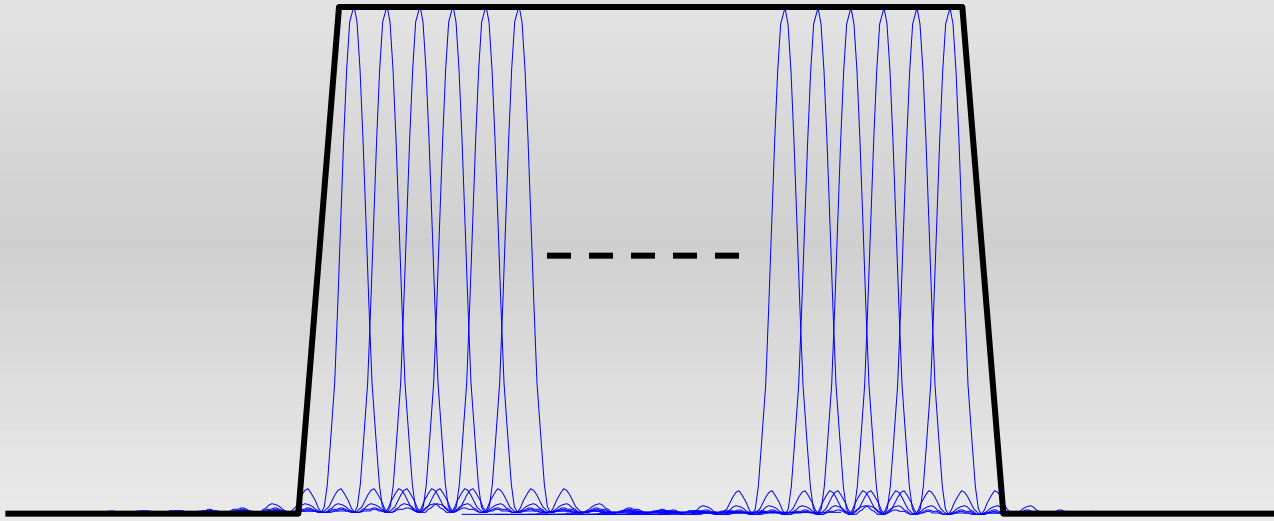
- Direct method needs
  - N digital modulators
  - N carrier frequency generator
  - ➔ Not practical
- In 1971, method using DFT is proposed to OFDM signal generation

# OFDM SPECTRUM



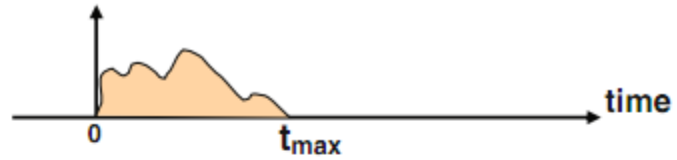
# OFDM SPECTRUM

- Total Power spectrum is almost square shape

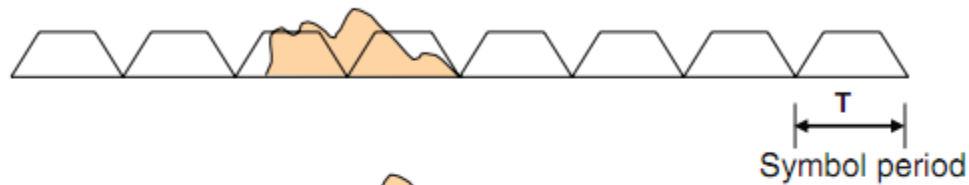


# OFDM

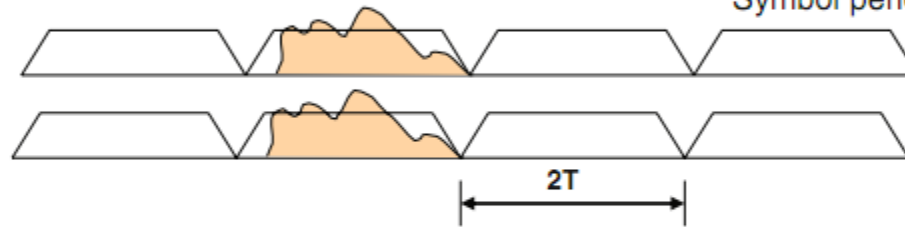
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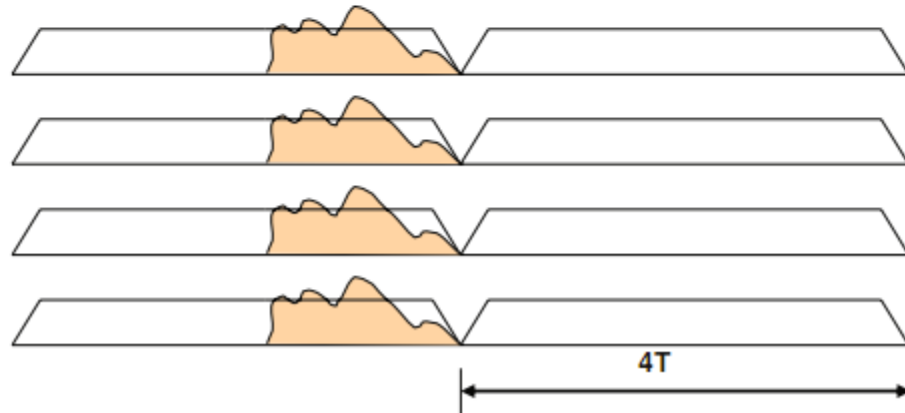
1 carrier



2 carriers



4 carriers



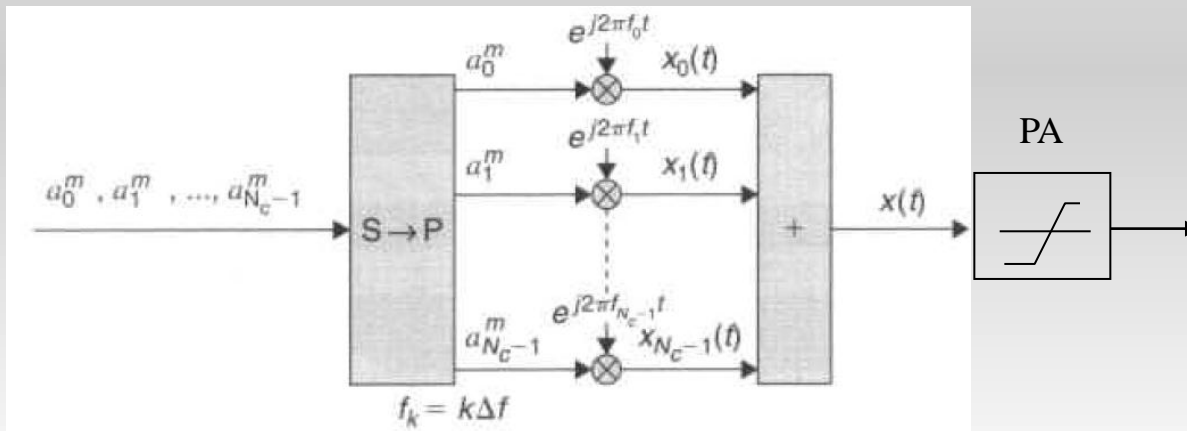
# CHALLENGES FOR OFDM

## PAPR Problem

- A OFDM signal consists of a number of independently modulated symbols
- The sum of independently modulated subcarriers can have large amplitude variations

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{N_c-1} a_k \cdot e^{j2\pi k\Delta f t}$$

- Results in a large *peak-to-average-power ratio* (PAPR)

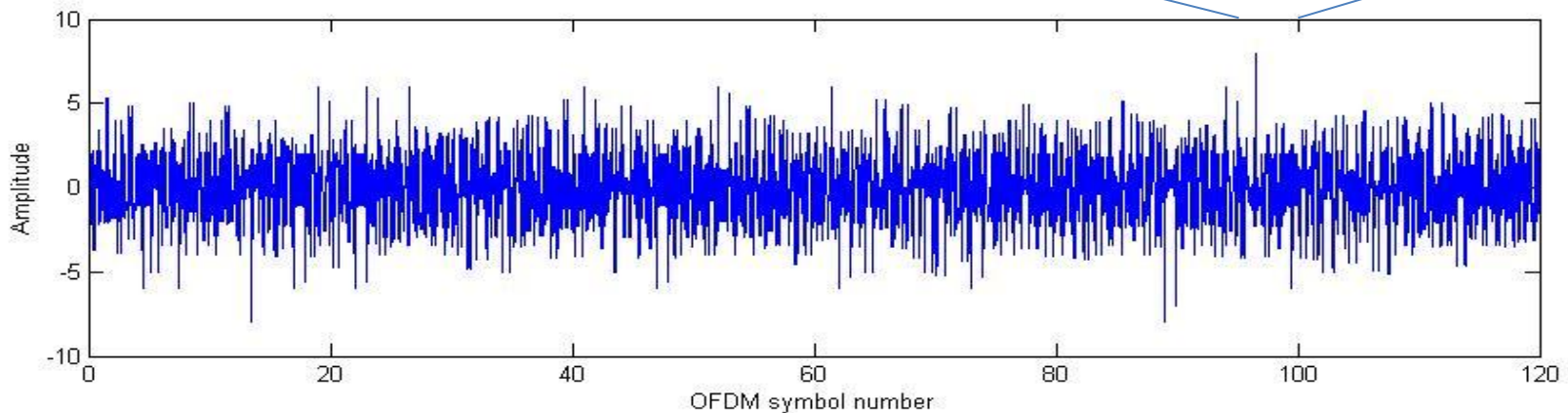
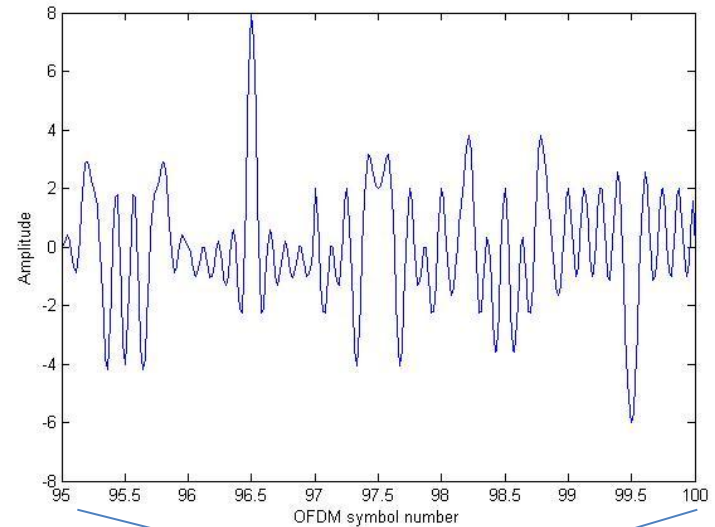




# CHALLENGES FOR OFDM

## PAPR Problem

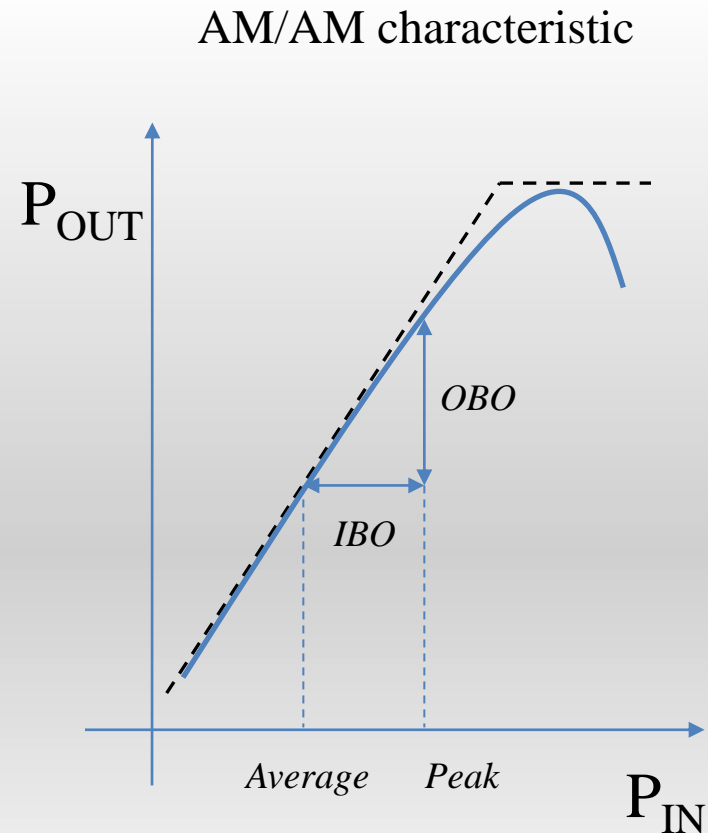
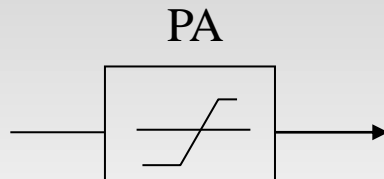
- Example with 8 carriers and BPSK modulation
  - $x(t)$  plotted
- It can be shown that the PAPR becomes equal to  $N_c$



# CHALLENGES FOR OFDM

## PAPR Problem

- High efficiency power amplifiers are desirable
  - For the handset, long battery life
  - For the base station, reduced operating costs
- A large PAPR is negative for the power amplifier efficiency
- Non-linearity results in inter-modulation
  - Degrades BER performance
  - Out-of-band radiation



# OFDM SYSTEM

■ Single carrier modulation

■ + □ Multi carrier modulation

