

**Lecture 7**

### **Digital television**

### **Coded Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing**

- Need for a good transmission technique
- Explanation of the different parts
	- Coded
	- Frequency Division Multiplexing
	- Orthogonal



### DVB-S



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### DVB-C





### DVB-T





## DVB-S/C/T Comparison



# Design goals for digital terrestrial video broadcasting

- Single Frequency Network (SFN)
- Mobile reception
- Problems
	- Multipath interference ghosts
	- Noise interference snow
	- Variable path attentuation fading
	- Interference to existing services
	- Interference from other services





### Mobile reception

#### ProTeleVision (Denmark) builds SFN network in Singapore



Interior view of a bus

#### Mobile Television onboard a tram in Cologne, Germany





#### Mobile television in Turku bus



# Mobile reception



- Developed by the digital video broadcasting project group - DVB
- Uses similar technology to DRB (DAB)
- Uses 1705 or 6817 carriers
- Variable carrier modulation types are defined allowing data rates of 5-27 Mb/s in 7 MHz
- Developed for 8 MHz channels
	- A 7 MHz variant has been produced and tested
- Can use single frequency networks SFNs
- New technology with scope for continued improvement & development



# BST OFDM Japan

- BST-OFDM is a variant of the European COFDM system which allows segmenting of the data spectrum into 100 kHz blocks.
- 2 receiver bandwidths proposed.
	- 500 kHz portable / mobile for sound and data
	- 5.6 MHz fixed / mobile for SDTV and LDTV
	- 5.6 MHz fixed for HDTV
	- Individual band segments can be allocated to separate services which can use different modulation systems



# Channel spacing

- Existing analog TV channels are spaced so they do not interfere with each other.
- Gap between PAL TV services
	- VHF 1 channel
	- UHF 2 channels
- Digital TV can make use of these gaps





# Digital challenges

- Digital TV must co-exist with existing PAL services
	- DTV operates at lower power
	- DTV copes higher interference levels
	- Share transmission infra-structure
	- DTV needs different planning methods



### The effect of a multicarrier system



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### Mathematical description of COFDM

Each carrier is modulated

$$
s_c(t) = A_c(t)e^{j[\omega_c t + \phi_c(t)]}
$$

Several carriers are summed

$$
s_{s}(t) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} A_{n}(t) e^{j[\omega_{n}t + \phi_{n}(t)]}
$$

$$
\omega_n = \omega_0 + n\Delta\omega
$$

Takes fixed values

$$
\Phi_c(t) \Rightarrow \Phi_n \qquad s_s(k) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} A_n e^{j[(\omega_0 + n\Delta\omega)k + \phi_n]}
$$

$$
A_c(t) \Rightarrow A_n
$$



## …Mathematical description of COFDM

Zeroth frequency  $\rightarrow$  0 gives

$$
s_s(kT) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} A_n e^{j\phi_n} e^{j(n\Delta\omega)kT}
$$

Compare with IFT

$$
g(kT) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} G\left(\frac{n}{NT}\right) e^{j2\pi nk/N}
$$

Equivalent if

$$
\Delta f = \frac{1}{NT} = \frac{1}{\tau}
$$



### Visualization of COFDM



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### Modulation of subcarriers



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### COFDM principle



### Traditional SCPC Modulation



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### COFDM Orthogonal carriers

$$
\int_{a}^{b} \Psi_{p}(t) \Psi_{q}^{*}(t) dt = \int_{a}^{b} e^{\int_{a}^{2\pi(p-q)/\tau} \mathbf{I}} dt
$$
\n
$$
= (b-a) \text{ for } p=q
$$
\n
$$
= \frac{e^{\int_{a}^{2\pi(p-q)/\tau} \mathbf{I}} - e^{\int_{a}^{2\pi(p-q)/\tau} \mathbf{I}}}{\int_{a}^{2\pi(p-q)/\tau} \mathbf{I}}
$$
\n
$$
= \frac{e^{\int_{a}^{2\pi(p-q)/\tau} \mathbf{I} \mathbf{I}} - e^{\int_{a}^{2\pi(p-q)(a-b)/\tau} \mathbf{I}}}{\int_{a}^{2\pi(p-q)/\tau} \mathbf{I}}
$$
\n
$$
= 0 \quad \text{for } p \neq q \text{ and } (b-a) = \tau \text{ (remember that } p \text{ and } q \text{ are integers)}
$$



### Spectrum of COFDM



### Subchannel response - pilots



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• For the  $k<sup>th</sup>$  carrier:

$$
\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{k}} = \mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{k}} \ \mathbf{s}_{\mathbf{k}} + \mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{k}}
$$

where  $H_k = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} h_k(nT_s) \exp(j2\pi k n/N)$ 

• Frequency domain equalizer



 $\hat{\sigma}_k^2 = \sigma_k^2 |H_k^{-1}|^2$ 





 $|H_k|^2$ 

### Subchannel response - pilots

- Many systems use pilot tones known symbols
	- Given  $s_k$ , for  $k=k_1, k_2, k_3, ...$  solve  $x_k = \sum_{k=0}^L h_k e^{-j2\pi k k/N} s_k$  for  $h_k$
	- Find  $H_k = \sum_{l=0}^{L} h_l e^{-j2\pi k l/N}$  (significant computation)
- More pilot tones
	- Better noise resiliance
	- Lower throughput (pilots are *not* informative)



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# System failure characteristicsGood **Analog Digital Quality** Edge of Service Area  $\sqrt{\lambda}$ Rotten Close Distance Far

### COFDM parameters

- Carrier modulation: 2k, 8k
- Type of modulation QPSK, 16QAM, 64QAM
- Guard interval <sup>1</sup>/4, 1/8, 1/16, 1/64
- Inner coder puncture rates:  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{2}{3}$ ,  $\frac{3}{4}$ ,  $\frac{5}{6}$ ,  $\frac{7}{8}$
- Hierarchical modes
- Selection of transmission bandwidth (6/7/8 MHz)



### DVB in Finland / Others

Parameters: FINLAND :COFDM, 8k, 64QAM, 2/3 Code, Guard interval 1/8

SWEDEN: COFDM, 8k, 64QAM, 2/3 Code, Guard interval 1/8

UK: COFDM, 2k, 64QAM, 2/3 Code, Guard 1/32

ITALY: COFDM, 8k, 64QAM, 2/3 Code, Guard 1/4 COFDM, 8k, 64QAM, 3/4 Code, Guard 1/32



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### **DVB-T Parameter selection**

- Number of carriers (2k / 8k)
	- Intercarrier spacing is a function of number of carriers
		- More carriers: More sensitive to frequenqy offsets, less sensitive to maximum delay spread



• Type of modulation



- Higher order: More bits on air, more sensitive to noise
- Code rate
	- Capability of correcting errors (decrease with increaseing code rate
- **Gard interval** 
	- Longer gard interval: Increased maximum delay spread, less data



### **OFDM Planning example**

- 8 MHz bandwidth
- 8k system, 64 QAM, 2/3 code, GI 1/8
- Bandwidth: 20MHz
- Subcarrier spacing :  $\Delta f = 8MHz / 8192 = 976 Hz$
- OFDM symbol duration:  $T_{FFT} = 1/\Delta_f = 1024$ us
- Cyclic prefix duration:  $T_{\text{GI}} = 128$ us (1/8)
- Symbol duration:  $T_{\text{symbol}} = T_{\text{FFT}} + T_{\text{GI}} = 1152$ us
- Symbol frequency  $f_{\text{symbol}} = 1/T_{\text{symbol}} = 868 \text{ s}^{-1}$
- Bits per carrier (64QAM) 6
- Active carriers per symbol
- $\bullet \rightarrow 22.7$  Mbits/s



### **The DVB-T standard gives specific values used in implementations**





### DVB-S in the World





### DVB-C in the World





### DVB-T in the World





## Case study IEEE 802.11a WLAN

- **System parameters**
- FFT size: 64
- Number of tones used 52 (12 zero tones)
- Number of pilots 4 (data tones  $= 52-4 = 48$  tones)
- Bandwidth: 20MHz
- Subcarrier spacing :  $\Delta f = 20MHz / 64 = 312.5 kHz$
- OFDM symbol duration:  $T_{FFT} = 1/\Delta_f = 3.2$ us
- Cyclic prefix duration:  $T_{\text{GI}} = 0.8$ us (1/4)
- $-$  Signal duration:  $T_{signal} = T_{FFT} + T_{GI}$



### Case study IEEE 802.11a WLAN

- Modulation: BPSK, QPSK, 16-QAM, 64-QAM
- Coding rate: 1/2, 2/3, 3/4
- FEC: K=7 (64 states) convolutional code

