EC8491-Communication Theory

UNIT-IV – NOISE CHARACTERIZATION

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Noise in CW Modulation Systems



- To simplify the system analysis, we assume:
 - ideal band-pass filter (that is just wide enough to pass the modulated signal s(t) without distortion),
 - ideal demodulator,
 - Gaussian distributed white Noise process.
- □ So the only source of imperfection is from the noise.

Noise in CW Modulation Systems

◊ Input signal-to-noise ratio (SNR)_I is defined as:

 $(SNR)_{I} = \frac{\text{average power of the modulated signal } s(t)}{\text{average power of the filtered noise } n(t)}$

◊ Output signal-to-noise ratio (SNR)₀ is defined as:

 $(SNR)_{o} = \frac{\text{average power of the demodulated message signal}}{\text{average power of the noise}}$

◊ Channel signal-to-noise ratio

 $(SNR)_{C} = \frac{\text{average power of the modulated signal}}{\text{average power of noise in the message BW}}$

Noise in CW Modulation Systems

• We normalize the receiver performance by dividing the output signal-to-noise ratio by the channel signal-to-noise ratio.

 \diamond The higher the value of the figure of merit, the better will the noise performance of the receiver .

 \diamond The figure of merit may equal one, be less than one, or be greater than one, depending on the type of modulation used.

Figure of merit=
$$\frac{(SNR)_o}{(SNR)_c}$$

Noise in DSB-SC Receiver

The model of a DSB-SC receiver using a coherent detector



Noise in DSB-SC Receiver

- ♦ Therefore, the average power of the DSB-SC modulated signal component *s*(*t*) is given by: $\underline{C^2 A_c^2 P}$
- \diamond The average power of the noise in the message BW is WN_0
- ♦ The channel signal-to-noise ratio of the DSB-SC modulation system is: $(SNR)_{C,DSB} = \frac{C^2 A_c^2 P}{2WN_c}$

Introduction

- AM Receivers receive broadcast of speech or music from AM transmitters which operate on long wave, medium wave or short wave bands.
- *FM Receivers* receive broadcast programs from FM transmitters which operate in VHF or UHF bands.
- *Communication Receivers* used for reception of telegraph and short wave telephone signals.
- *Television Receivers* used to receive television broadcast in VHF or UHF bands.
- Radar Receivers used to receive radio detection and ranging signals

- A commercial radio communication system contains not only the "transmission" but also some other functions, *such as:*
- *Carrier-frequency tuning* : to select the desired signals
 (i.e., desired radio or TV station)
- *Filtering:* to separate the desired signal from other unwanted signals
- *Amplifying: to* compensate for the loss of signal power incurred in the course of transmission

- A *superheterodyne* receiver or *superhet* is designed to facilitate the fulfillment of these functions, especially the first two.
 - It overcomes the difficulty of having to build a *tunable highly* selective and variable filter (rather a fixed filter is applied on IF section).





- *Heterodyne* to mix two frequencies together in a nonlinear device or to transmit one frequency to another using nonlinear mixing.
- Also known as *frequency conversion*, high frequency down converted to low frequency.(IF)
- A super heterodyne receiver converts all incoming radio frequency (RF) signals to a lower frequency known as an *intermediate frequency (IF)*.

Example	AM Radio	FM Radio
RF carrier range	0.535 - 1.605 MHz	88-108 MHz
Midband frequency of IF section	0.455 MHz	10.7 MHz
IF bandwidth	10 k Hz	200 kHz

Table1: Frequency parameters of AM and FM radio receivers.

- When local oscillator frequency is tuned above the RF *high side injection*
- When local oscillator frequency is tuned below the RF *low side injection*
- Mathematically expressed :

High side injection $f_{lo} = f_{RF} + f_{IF}$

Low side injection

$$f_{lo} = f_{RF} - f_{IF}$$

Characteristics of Superheterodyne Receiver

- Sensitivity ability to amplify the weak signals.
- *Selectivity* of radio receiver is its ability to differentiate desired signal from unwanted signals.
- *Fidelity-* the ability of the receiver to reproduce all the range of modulating frequencies.
- Image frequency: $f_{im} = f_{RF} + 2f_{IF}$
- Image Frequency rejection ratio: IFRR = $\sqrt{(1 + Q^2 \rho^2)}$ Where $\rho = (f_{im}/f_{RF}) - (f_{RF}/f_{im})$

Noise

- Noise is *unwanted* electrical or electromagnetic energy that degrades the quality of signals and data.
- Noise occurs in digital and analog systems, and can affect files and communications of all types, including text, programs, images, audio signal etc...
- Random noise occurs in any practical information transmission system. Its value at any instant is unpredictable.

Received signal = Actual signal + Noise

 Random noise is an unwanted signal, producing errors or changes in amplitude of the actual signal and reducing the overall information transfer.

Noise

- The term noise is used to designate *unwanted signals* that tend to disturb the transmission and processing of signals in communication systems.
- The sources of noise may be external & internal to the system.
- External Noise:
- 1.Atmospheric Noise
- 2. Man-made Noise
- Internal Noise: 1. Shot noise
 - 2.Thermal noise
 - 3. Partition noise

External Noise

Natural Disturbances: (Atmospheric Noise)

- It is caused by lightening, electrical storms and atmospheric disturbances.
- This is random in nature ,and also called as atmospheric noise or static noise.
- Apart from this extra terrestrial noise is also created by erratic natural disturbances.

<u>Man Made Noise:</u>

- It is undesired pick-up from electrical appliances.
- This noise is under human control and can be eliminated by removing the source of noise.

Internal Noise(Fluctuation noise)

- It is created by the active and passive components present within the communication circuits.
- Fluctuation noise is created due to the spontaneous fluctuations present in the physical system.
- *Examples:* 1.Thermal motion of the free electron inside the resistor.
 - 2. Random emission of electron in vacuum tubes.

3.Random diffusion of electrons and hole in a semiconductor.

Internal Noise

- Shot noise arises in electronic devices such as diodes and transistors because of discrete nature of current flow in these devices.
- *Thermal noise* is the electrical noise which is arising from the random motion of electron in a conductor.
- *Partition noise* occurs wherever current has to divide between two or more paths and partition noise results due to the random fluctuations in the division of current.

- *Thermal noise* is the electrical noise which is arising from the random motion of electron in a conductor.
- This type of noise is generated by all resistances (e.g. a resistor, semiconductor, the resistance of a resonant circuit, i.e. the real part of the impedance, cable etc).
- Noise power:

Available Noise Power

$$P_{AVAIL} = k \cdot T \cdot \Delta f$$

The mean square noise voltage as

 $\overline{V} = 4kTBR \ (volt^2)$

- Where $k = Boltzmann's constant = 1.38 \times 10^{-23}$ Joules per K
 - T = absolute temperature
 - B = bandwidth noise measured in (Hz)
 - R = resistance (ohms)



FIGURE 1.15 Models of a noisy resistor. (*a*) Thévenin equivalent circuit. (*b*) Norton equivalent circuit.

$$V_{NOISE} = \sqrt{4kTR\Delta f}$$

$$I_{NOISE} = \sqrt{\frac{4kT\Delta f}{R}}$$

Resistor Noise Models







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