

More on MSK

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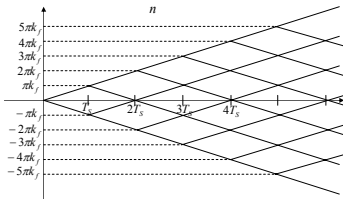
MSK is a Linear Modulation

- MSK is an unusual type of FSK because it can be represented as a linear modulation
- It looks like OQPSK with pulses that are twice as wide
- The "symbols" weighting the pulses are not the original symbol sequence

Recall BFSK

- Recall the phase trajectories for binary FSK when rectangular pulses are used for $m(t)$:

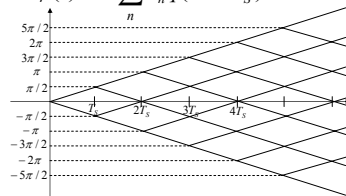
$$\phi(t) = 2\pi k_f \sum_n I_n q(t - nT_s)$$



The Phase for MSK

- In MSK, $k_f=0.5$

$$\phi(t) = \pi \sum_n I_n q(t - nT_s)$$



Y-intercept Form

[Simon et al., '94]

- The phase can be expressed

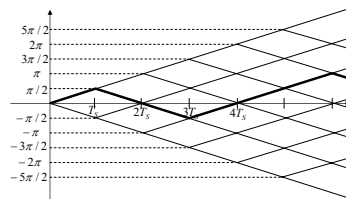
$$\phi(t) = I_n \left(\frac{\pi t}{2T_s} \right) + x_n$$

where x_n is the Y-intercept for the n th symbol interval

$$[x_n \bmod(2\pi)] \in \{0, \pi\}$$

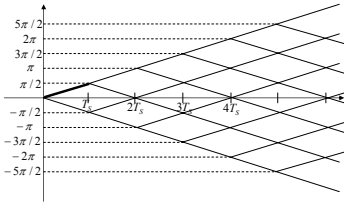
Example

- Consider the symbol sequence $I_0=1, I_1=-1, I_2=-1, I_3=1, I_4=1, I_5=1, I_6=-1$



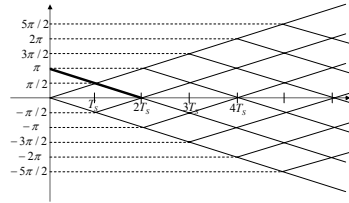
For $I_0=1$ and $0 < t < T_S$

$$\phi(t) = I_0 \left(\frac{\pi t}{2T_S} \right) + x_0 = 1 \cdot \left(\frac{\pi t}{2T_S} \right) + 0 \rightarrow x_0 = 0$$



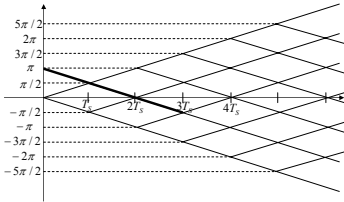
For $I_1=-1$ and $T_S < t < 2T_S$

$$\phi(t) = I_1 \left(\frac{\pi t}{2T_S} \right) + x_1 = -1 \cdot \left(\frac{\pi t}{2T_S} \right) + \pi \rightarrow x_1 = \pi$$



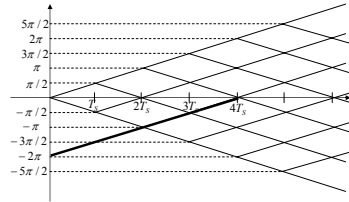
For $I_2=-1$ and $2T_S < t < 3T_S$

$$\phi(t) = I_2 \left(\frac{\pi t}{2T_S} \right) + x_2 = -1 \cdot \left(\frac{\pi t}{2T_S} \right) + \pi \rightarrow x_2 = \pi$$



For $I_3=1$ and $3T_S < t < 4T_S$

$$\phi(t) = I_3 \left(\frac{\pi t}{2T_S} \right) + x_3 = 1 \cdot \left(\frac{\pi t}{2T_S} \right) - 2\pi \rightarrow x_3 = -2\pi = 0$$



I/Q Formulation of MSK

- It can be shown that

$$s(t) = \sqrt{\frac{2E_b}{T_S}} \left[\sum_n c_n p(t - (2n-1)T_S) \cos(2\pi f_c t) - \sum_n d_n p(t - 2nT_S) \sin(2\pi f_c t) \right]$$

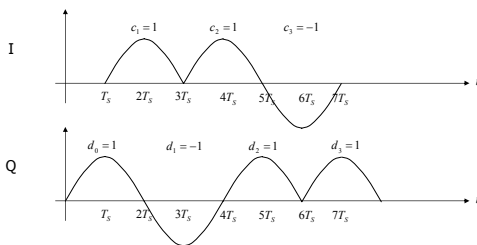
where

$$p(t) = \begin{cases} \sin\left(\frac{\pi t}{2T_S}\right) & 0 \leq t \leq 2T_S \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \begin{matrix} c_n = (-1)^n \cos x_{2n-1} \\ d_n = (-1)^n I_{2n} \cos x_{2n} \end{matrix}$$

Example, cont'd

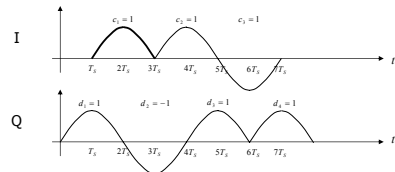
n	I_n	$x_n \bmod 2\pi$	$\cos x_n$	c_n	d_n
0	1	0	1		$d_0=1$
1	-1	π	-1	$c_1=1$	
2	-1	π	-1		$d_1=-1$
3	1	0	1	$c_2=1$	
4	1	0	1		$d_2=1$
5	1	0	1	$c_3=-1$	
6	-1	0	1		$d_3=1$

Baseband Waveform for the Example



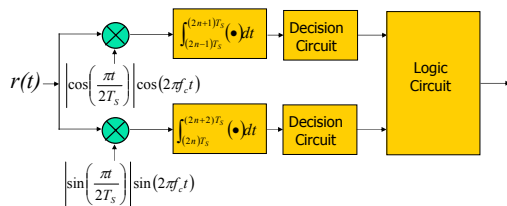
MSK Resembles OQPSK

- The basic pulse shape is half a sinusoid that is $2T_s$ wide



Quadrature Detection

- The MSK receiver can be implemented coherently like an OQPSK receiver



Summary

- MSK is actually a linear modulation method
- The basic pulse shape is half a sinusoid that is two bit periods wide
- Resembles OQPSK with this basic pulse shape

References

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