Principles of Communication

Bandpass Digital System (5)

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Introduction

Spread spectrum techniques

- Energy generated at a single frequency is deliberately spread over a wide band of frequencies
- Transmitters use a sequential noise-like signal structure to spread the normally narrowband information signal
- Receivers correlates received signal to retrieve original signal
- Increasing resistance to interference, prevent eavesdropping, or for multi-access, etc
- History
 - Invented by Hedy Lamarr (1940)
 - Used in military since 1950s

Hedy Lamarr (1914-2000)

Actress, innovator

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Spread-Spectrum System

- The signal occupies a bandwidth much in excess of the minimum bandwidth necessary to send the information.
- Spreading is accomplished by means of a spreading signal, often called a code signal, which is independent of the data.
- At the receiver, despreading is accomplished by the correlation of the received spread signal with a synchronized replica of the spreading signal used to spread the information.



Benefits of Spread Spectrum

- Anti-jamming
 - Jamming: intentional interference, noise
 - Jamming usually has fixed energy, limited bandwidth (narrowband)
 - Narrowband jamming can be filtered out
- High security:
 - Signal energy are distributed to a wider bandwidth
 - Power density becomes low
 - Low probability of interception/ detection

Applications

- Security: military usage
- Anti-jamming/noise: military, wireless LAN
 - Jamming: transmission of radio signals that disrupt communications
- Multiple access: high capacity in mobile phone
 - A communication link shared by many users
- High-resolution ranging: GPS
 - Uncertainty in the delay measurement is inversely proportional to the bandwidth of the signal pulse.

Method of spread spectrum

DS-SS: direct sequence spread spectrum

- Multiply each information symbol by a sequence of pseudo noise
- FH-SS: Frequency hopping spread spectrum
 - Rapidly switching a carrier among many frequency channels, using a pseudorandom sequence known to both transmitter and receiver
- Comparison of DS-SS and FH-SS
 - DS-SS: High capacity possible with advanced signal processing, flexible for variable data rates. Need power control. Processing gain is more limited.
 - FH-SS: suitable for ad hoc networks, no need power control, limited data rate

DS-SS Model

- Use a pseudo-noise (PN) sequence to spread signal
 - PN sequence:
 - 1. Appear random noise (has $\delta(t)$ -like autocorrelation)
 - Deterministic: can be generated deterministically by both transmitter and receiver





Pseudo-Noise Sequences

- A sequence of "1" & "0" with noise-like autocorrelation
- Random properties
 - Balance: in each period of the sequence, the number of binary ones differs from the number of binary zeros by at most one digit.
 - Run: A run is defined as a sequence of a single type of binary digit(s). Run Length is the number of digits in the run. It is desirable that about 1/2 the runs of each type are of length 1, about 1/4 are of length 2, 1/8 are of length 3, and so on.
 - Correlation: zero cross-correlation between different sequences with various shifts

Linear Feedback Shift Register



Suppose Initial State of register is 1000, the succession of register states:

1000 0100 0010 1001 1100 0110 1011 0101 1010 1101 1110 1111 0111 0011 0001 1000

Since the last state 1000, is the same as the initial state. The register repeats the foregoing sequence after 15 clock pulses.

The output sequence is 000100110101111

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Balance: 7 "0" and 8 "1"
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Run: 4 "0" runs, length of 1: 2, length of 2: 1, length of 3: 1
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Correlation: R(\tau) = N/p, p is the period, N is the number of agreements minus number of disagreements of one period with a \tau position cyclic shift) R(1) = -1/15
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DS-SS



Processing gain: (# of PN chips per bit)

Demodulator

■ Two possible schemes

$$s(t) \longrightarrow h_{r}(t) = s_{x}(t) \longrightarrow h_{r}(t) \xrightarrow{s_{x}(t)} \longrightarrow x(t)$$

$$r(t) = s(t) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{T}} \cos \left(\omega_{0}t\right) x(t) g(t)$$

$$y(t) = r(t)g(t)$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{2}{T}} \cos \left(\omega_{0}t\right) x(t)g(t) \times g(t)$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{2}{T}} \cos \left(2\pi f_{c}t\right) x(t)$$

$$\frac{r(t)}{\sqrt{\frac{2}{T}}} \cos \left(\omega_{0}t\right)}{\sqrt{\frac{2}{T}}} \cos \left(\omega_{0}t\right)$$

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Example Waveforms



Approximate Spectrum of DS-SS Signal



(c) Spectrum of combined signal

Processing Gain and Anti-jamming Capability

Narrowband interference i(t), wideband spread-spectrum signal s(t), received signal r(t).

$$r(t) = s(t) + i(t) = \sqrt{2/T} x(t) g(t) \cos(\omega_0 t) + i(t)$$

Despreading:

$$y(t) = r(t)g(t) = \sqrt{2/T}x(t)\cos(\omega_0 t) + i(t)g(t)$$

Demodulation:

$$\left[y(t)\sqrt{\frac{2}{T}}\cos(\omega_0 t)\right]_{LP} = x(t) + \left[i(t)g(t)\sqrt{\frac{2}{T}}\cos(\omega_0 t)\right]_{LP}$$



R_c

Assume *i*(t) as fixed power P_J . Power density is $J_0 = \frac{P_J}{R_c}$

■ Jammer power fall in the signal bandwidth R_b is:

$$N_J = J_0 R_b = P_J \frac{R_b}{R_c} = \frac{P_J}{L}$$

■ SIR (signal-to-interference ratio) enhancement:

Input SIR
$$\frac{P_s}{P_J} \Rightarrow \frac{P_s}{P_J}L$$
 Output SIR

Observations

■ Interference power reduced by *L* times

■ SIR increased by *L* times (*L*: processing gain)

Frequency Hopping



Modulator



Demodulator



Slow and Fast FHSS

- Frequency shifted every T_c seconds
- Duration of signal element is T_s seconds
- Slow FHSS has $T_c \ge T_s$
- Fast FHSS has $T_c < T_s$
- Generally fast FHSS gives improved performance in noise (or jamming)

Slow Frequency Hop Spread Spectrum Using MFSK (M=4, k=2)



Fast Frequency Hop Spread Spectrum Using MFSK (M=4, k=2)



Multiple Access

- FDMA: frequency division multiple access
- TDMA: time division multiple access
- CDMA: code division multiple access
 - DS-CDMA, FH-CDMA
 - Not divide the channel by time/frequency, but encode data with special codes and uses the signal structure for demultiplexing



Homework

■ LC 5-78, 5-79

