



WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS

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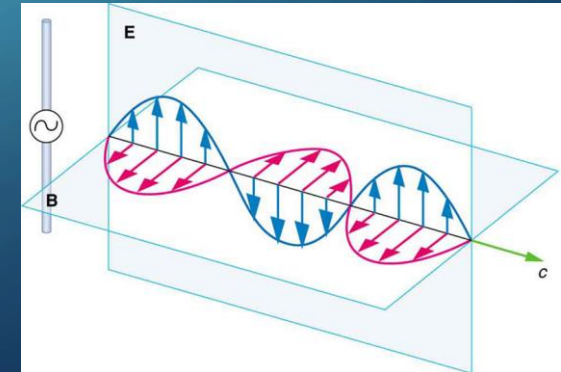
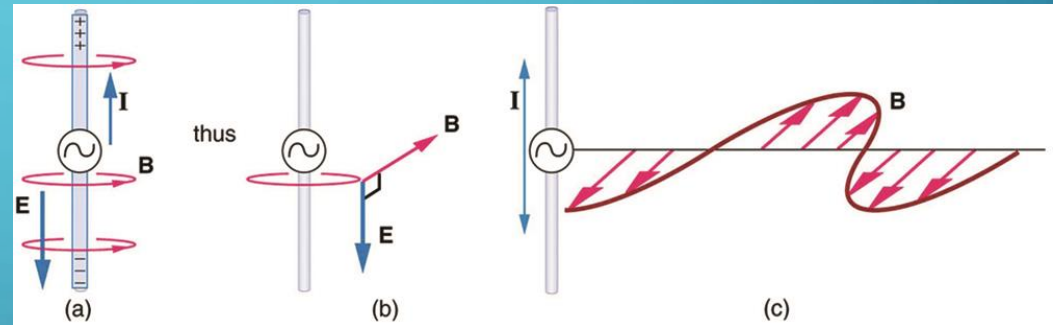
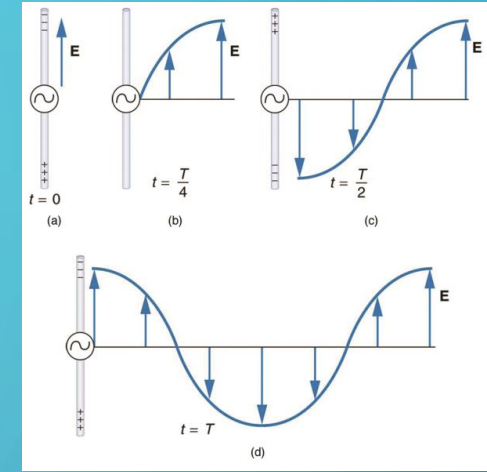
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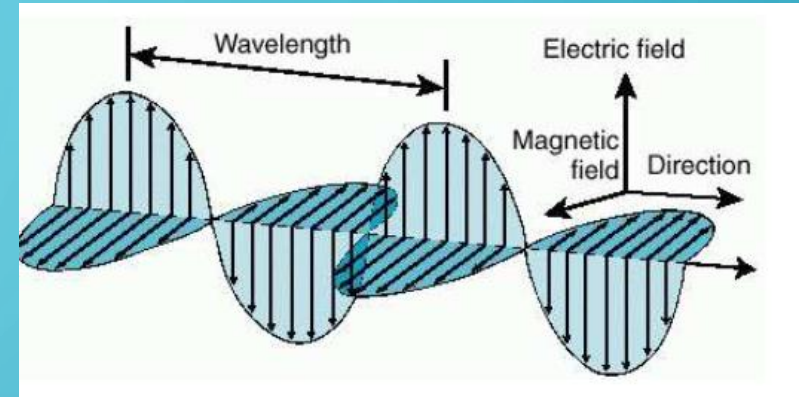
BASIC PHYSICS

- Voltage is a potential; it pulls/pushes charged items
- Oscillating voltage makes electrons oscillate in conductors
- Oscillating electrons create an oscillating electric field
- Changing electric fields makes a changing perpendicular magnetic field
- These create an **electromagnetic wave**



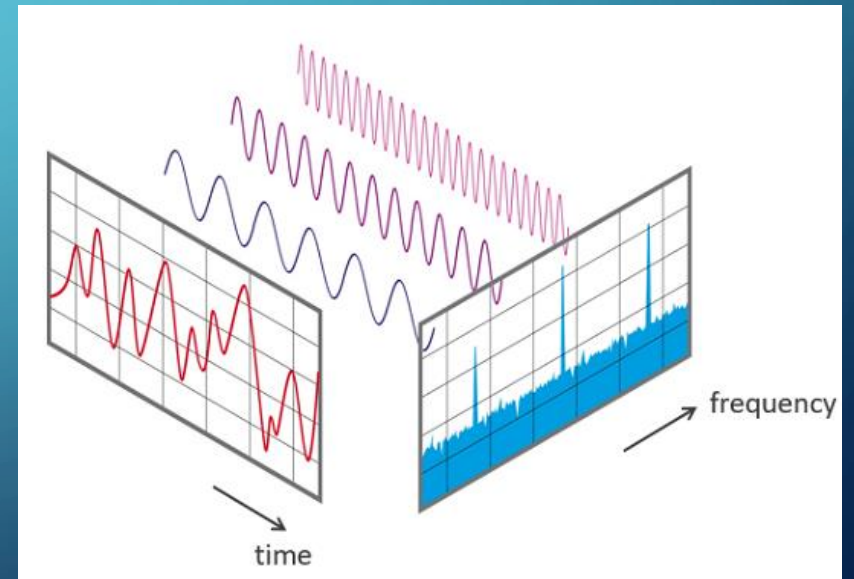
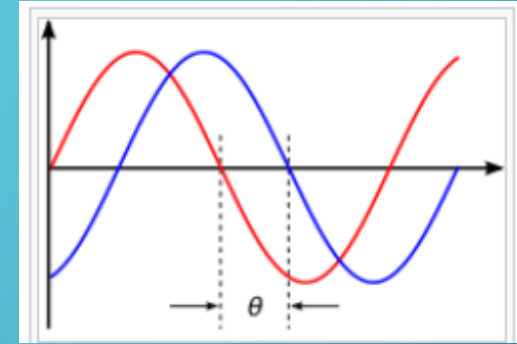
ELECTROMAGNETIC WAVES

- Wave propagates at the speed of light
 - Speed $c \approx 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s} = 300 \text{ m/us}$
 - **Wavelength** λ is distance between humps
 - **Frequency** f is how many times per second hump passes
 - $\lambda f = c$
 - **Amplitude** is height (strength) of the wave
- Inverse square law for static electric field: $E(x_0) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_1}{(x_1 - x_0)^2}$
- Liénard–Wiechert potential for moving charge
 - Relativistically correct time-varying electromagnetic field for charge in motion
 - $$E(r, t) = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{q(n-\beta)}{\gamma^2(1-n\beta)^3|r-r_s|^2} + \frac{qn \times ((n-\beta) \times \dot{\beta})}{c(1-n\beta)^3|r-r_s|} \right)$$
 - **Note last term is not inverse square! Without this radio would be useless!**



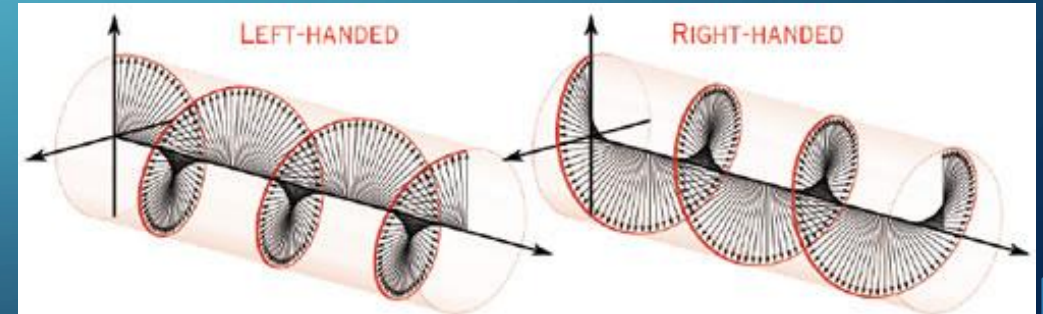
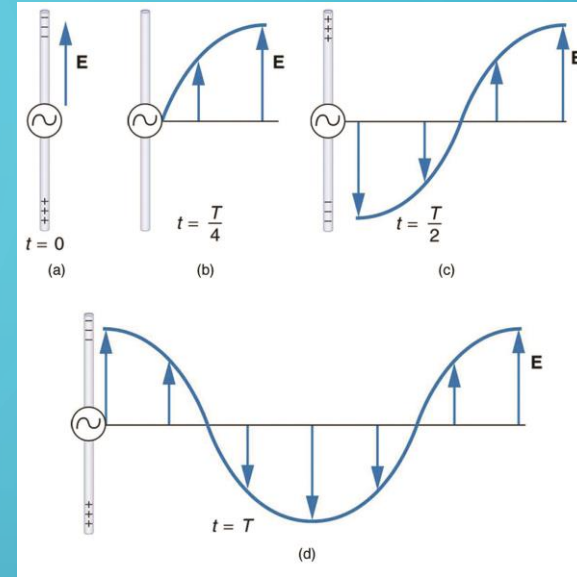
ELECTROMAGNETIC WAVES

- Fourier: A complex wave can be represented as a sum of (possibly shifted, called **phase**) sine waves
- Fourier Transform: wave $\Rightarrow$ frequencies
- A signal can be manipulated in the **frequency** or **time** domains



ELECTROMAGNETIC WAVES

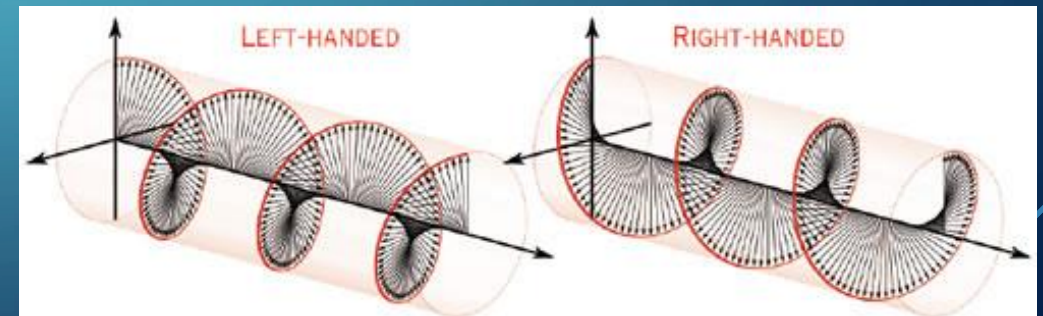
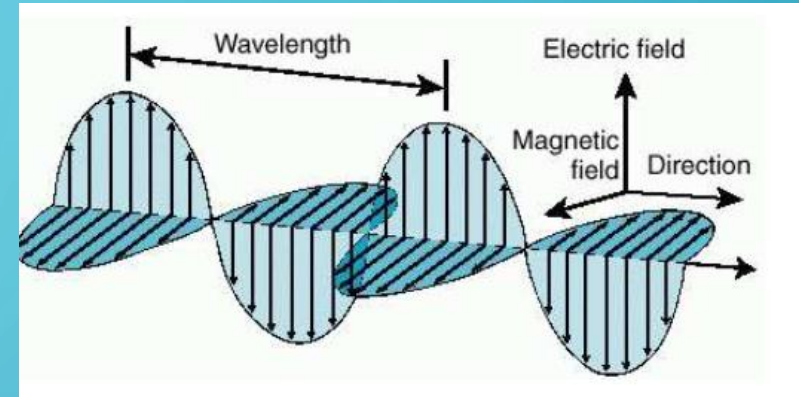
- **Polarization** — direction of electrical field
- Electric field parallel to the conductor
- What if the conductor turns 90 degrees?
- Changes **horizontal** to **vertical polarization**
- What if conductor spins?
 - **Left** or **right handed circular polarization**
- Can have two perpendicular antennas,
 - **Elliptical polarization**, and/or all of above



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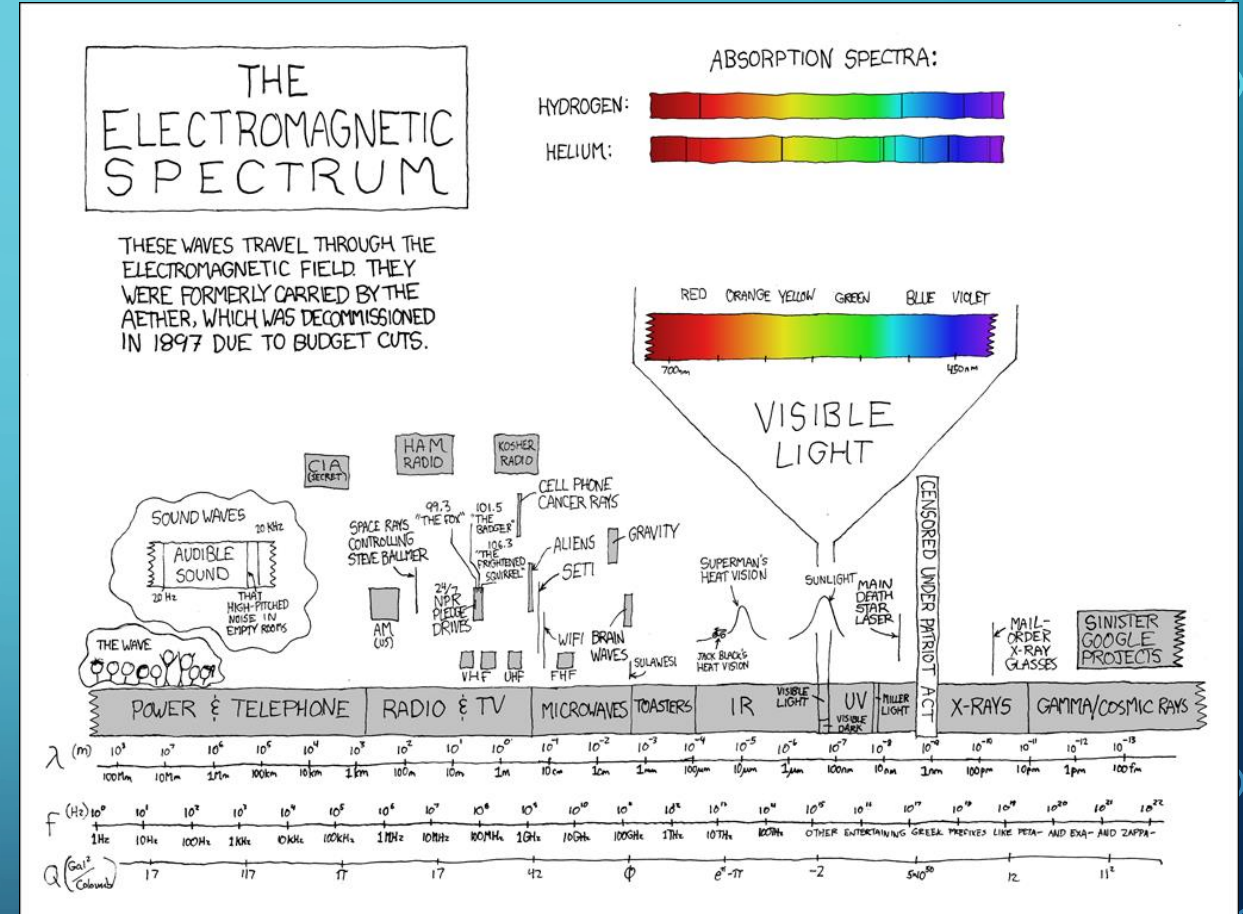
- Wave properties used to send data:

- Frequency
- Amplitude
- Phase
- Polarization



RADIO FREQUENCIES

- Wireless uses 100kHz to 60 GHz
- Three common unlicensed bands
 - 900 MHz: 902 to 928 MHz
 - 2.4 GHz band: 2.400 to 2.483 GHz (Japan extends to 2.495 GHz)
 - 5 GHz: 5.150 to 5.350, 5.725 to 5.825 MHz, (some countries + 5.350 – 5.825 GHz)
- Visible light 400-900 THz



UNITED STATES FREQUENCY ALLOCATIONS

THE RADIO SPECTRUM

RADIO SERVICES COLOR LEGEND

ACTIVITY CODE

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NON-FEDERAL EXCLUSIVE

ALLOCATION USAGE DESIGNATION

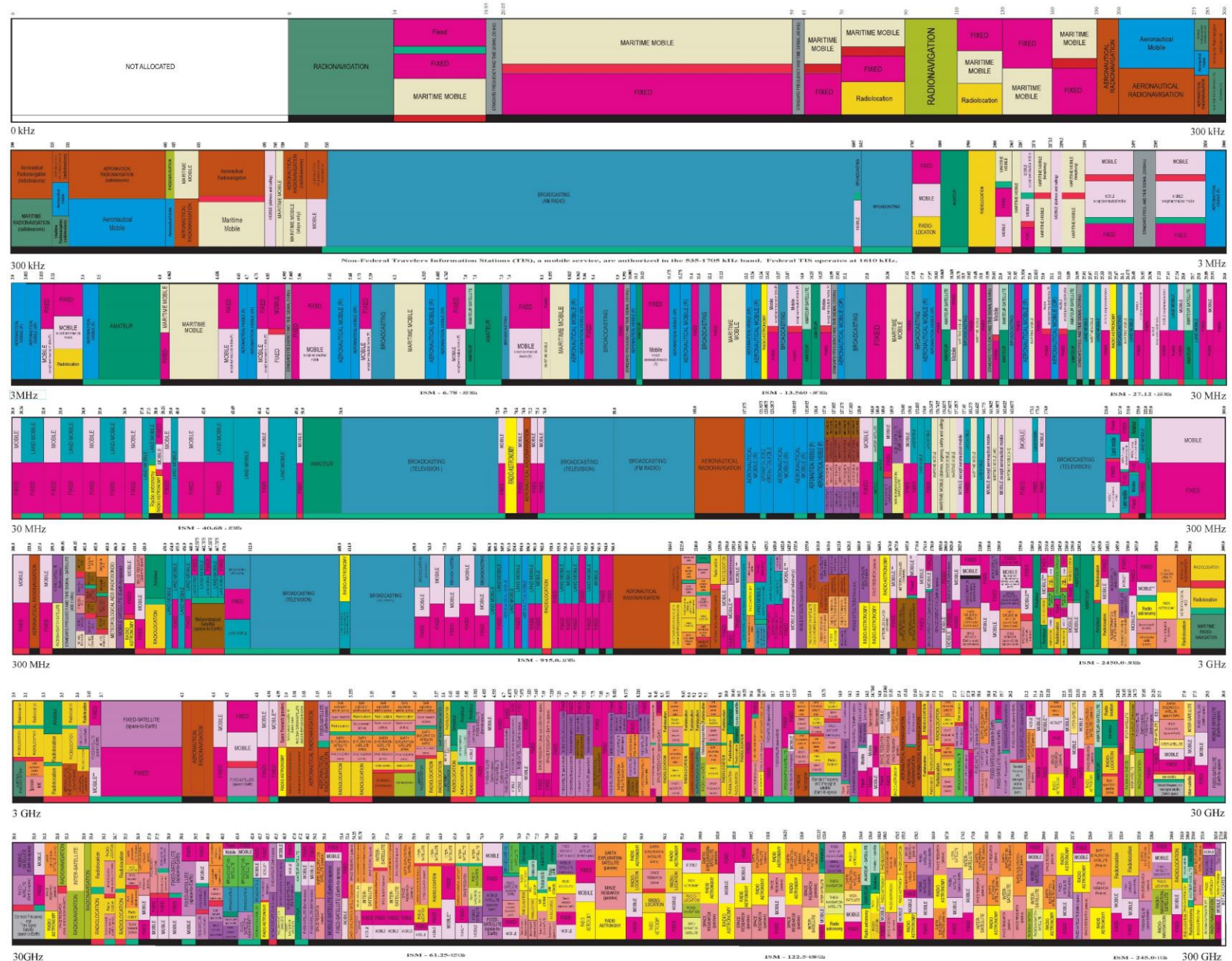
SERVICE	EXAMPLE	DESCRIPTION
Primary	FIXED	Capital Letters
Secondary	MOBILE	for Capital with lower case letters

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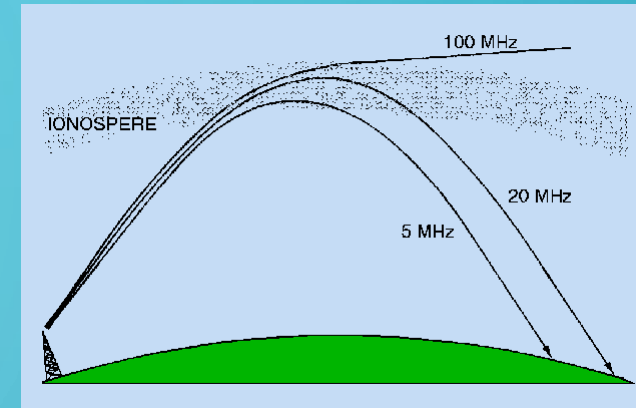
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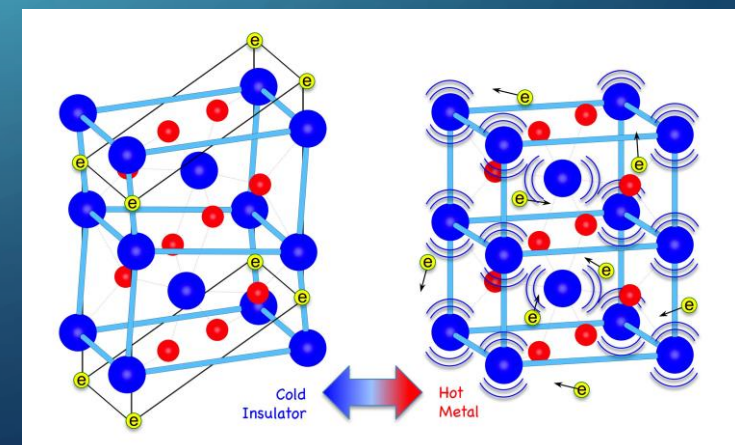
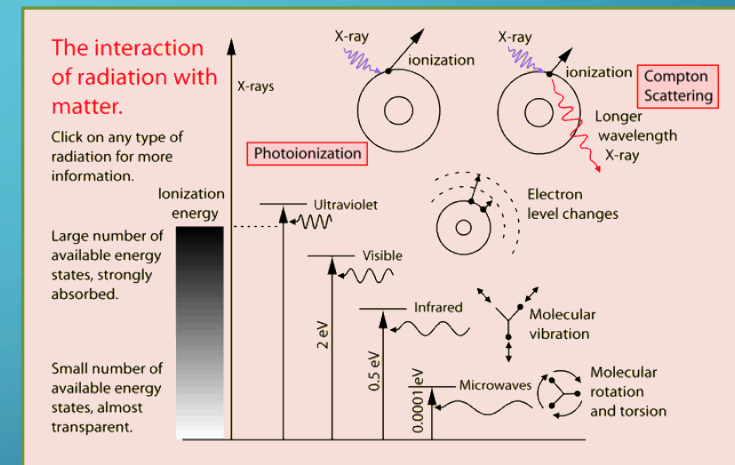
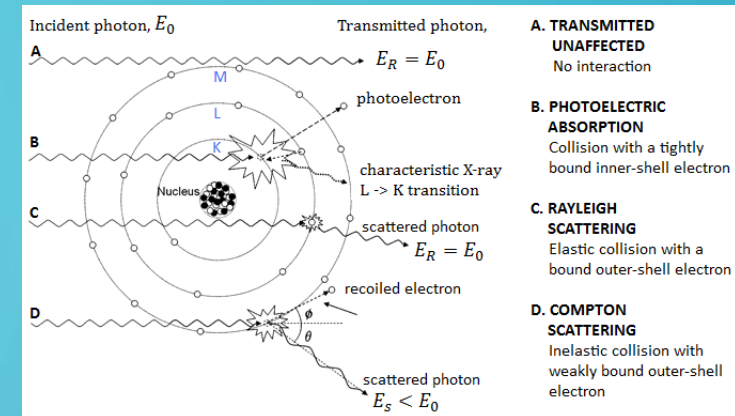
WIRELESS PROPAGATION

- Ground wave – follows earth contour, $< 2\text{MHz}$, AM radio
- Sky Wave: signal reflected/refracted from ionosphere
 - BBC world service, Voice of America
- Line of sight: $> 30\text{ MHz}$. Density of atmosphere decreases with height, results in waves bending towards earth
- Free space loss: signal disperses with distance
 - Greater for lower frequencies (longer wavelengths)
- Atmospheric absorption: water vapor and oxygen
 - Water greatest at 22 GHz , less below 15 GHz
 - Oxygen greater at 60 GHz , less below 0 GHz
 - Rain and fog scatter radio waves
 - Energy intensity in W/m^2 is $I_{avg} = c \epsilon_0 E_0^2 / 2$ where E_0 is max electric field of sin wave
- **Attenuation** the loss in signal amplitude due to distance, material, other reasons



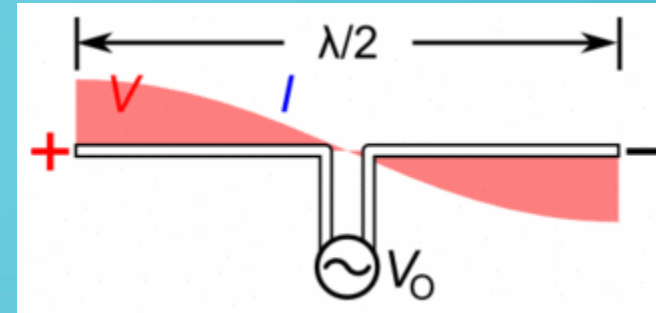
INTERACTION WITH MATERIALS

- Wave causes electrons to vibrate
 - These then re-emit radio waves
 - Causes refraction, reflection
- Some increases atomic lattice vibrations
 - Radio energy lost to heat
- Metals have a lot of free electrons
 - Absorb most
- Tightly bound electrons, no **resonance** near transmission, appears the most “clear”
- Radio waves deflect like light when changing media



ANTENNAS - LENGTH

- Converts between electrical energy and electromagnetic waves
- Radio wavelength = length of antenna
 - Causes resonance, much better signal
 - Electrons absorb, some reemit, some of those absorb, ...
- Half wave **dipole** antenna
 - $\frac{1}{2}$ also works via reflection of half wave at end
- Quarter wave **monopole** antenna
 - $\frac{1}{4}$ works with reflective ground plane at powered end via another mechanism
 - Like a VHF antenna on a car or a metal plane on a PCB
 - Most popular in portable devices



Band	Freq	Wavelength	$\frac{1}{2}$ Length Antenna	$\frac{1}{4}$ Length Antenna
AM	$\sim 1\text{MHz}$	300m	150m	75m
FM	$\sim 100\text{ MHz}$	3 m	150 cm	75 cm
Television	$\sim 75\text{ MHz}$	4 m	2m	1m
	$\sim 175\text{MHz}$ $\sim 470\text{-}884\text{ MHz}$	0.33 m	0.15 m	0.08 m
Cellular	$\sim 900\text{ MHz}$	33 cm	15 cm	8 cm
GPS	$\sim 1.5\text{ GHz}$	20 cm	10 cm	5 cm
Wireless	$\sim 2.4\text{ GHz}$	12 cm	6 cm	3 cm
	$\sim 5\text{ GHz}$	6 cm	3 cm	1.5 cm
W band	$\sim 100\text{ GHz}$	3 mm	1.5mm	0.75mm

DECIBELS

- **Decibels** measure a **ratio** of **power** between two things on a log scale

$$dB = 10 \times \log_{10} \frac{P_1}{P_0}$$

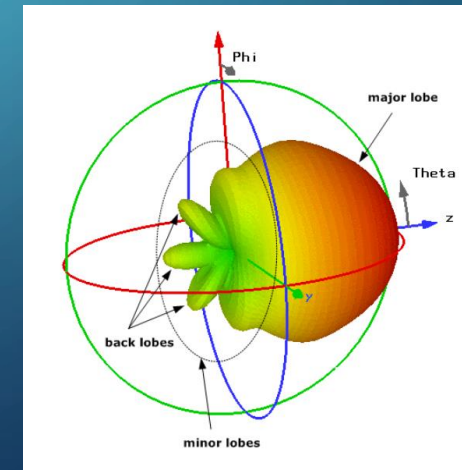
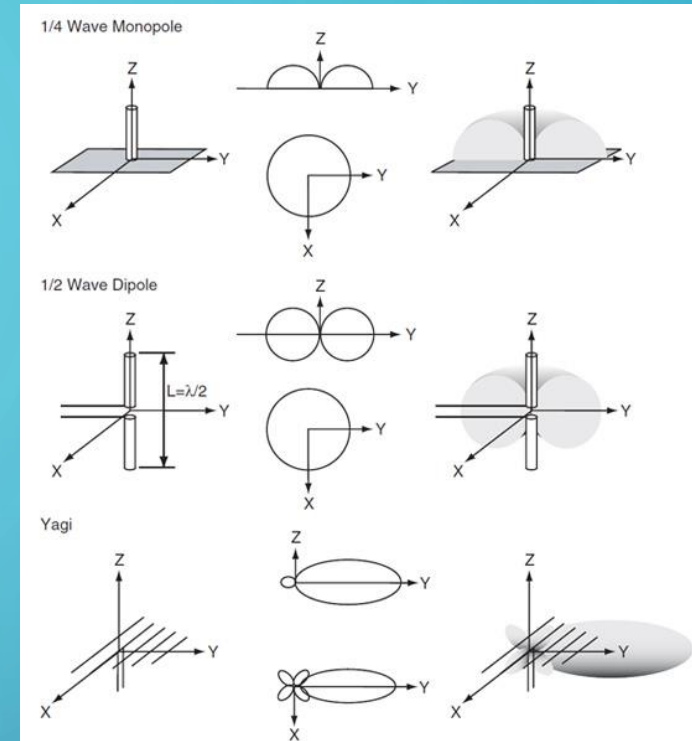
- Use log since numbers vary by many orders of magnitude
- Larger numbers are more power
- Each 3dB is approximately a doubling (or halving) of power
- For antennas and wireless, generally P_1 and P_0 measure power in Watts
- Often a suffix tells what P_0 is
 - **dBm** : $P_0 = 1\text{mW}$
 - **dBi** : antenna gain versus an isotropic (uniform) antenna
 - **dBd**: antenna gain versus a dipole antenna
- Can add to get total gain/loss (**attenuation**)

801.11 network loss

Plasterboard	3dB
Glass wall with metal frame	6dB
Cinder block wall	4dB
Office window	3dB
Metal door	6dB
Metal door in brick wall	12dB

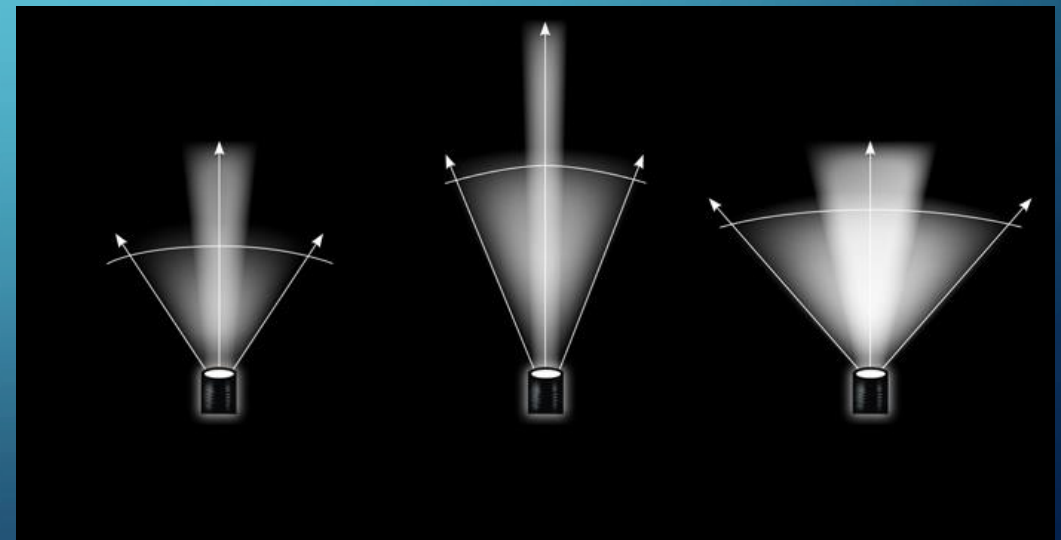
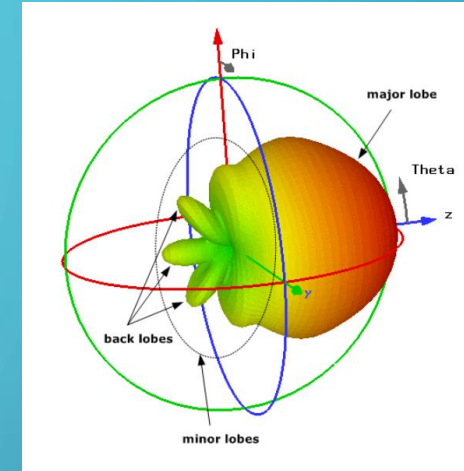
ANTENNAS - GEOMETRY

- **Isotropic** antenna
 - Ideal, uniform power spread in sphere
- Directional
 - Gains energy in some directions, loses in others
 - Dipole
 - Whip
 - Helical
 - Yagi
 - Ceramic loop
 - PCB trace
- Ex: out of 360 degree, Grid is 7 degrees, Yagi is 36 degrees, and the Panel is 34 degrees



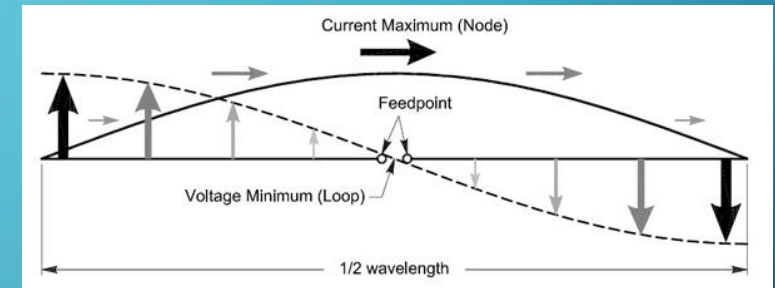
ANTENNAS - GAIN

- **Gain** : apparent increase in power given by an antenna in a particular direction, often dBi
- Increased gain implies decreased **beamwidth**



ANTENNAS - IMPEDANCE

- **Impedance** – measure of opposition to current when voltage applied (ohms)
 - When voltage changes, current moves electrons, makes magnetic field, resists electron movement.
 - Capacitance also affects
- Antenna: impedance mismatch causes power loss in transmission
 - Think: mismatch causes the wave to reflect before entering antenna
 - Called an **impedance mismatch**
- **Impedance matching** – antenna works like RC, need to balance

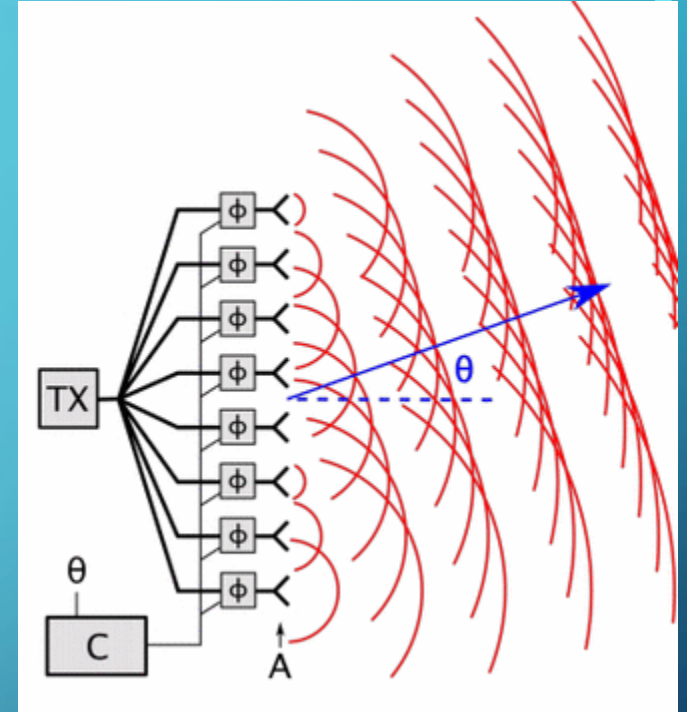


ANTENNAS

- **Beam shaping** via **phase array**

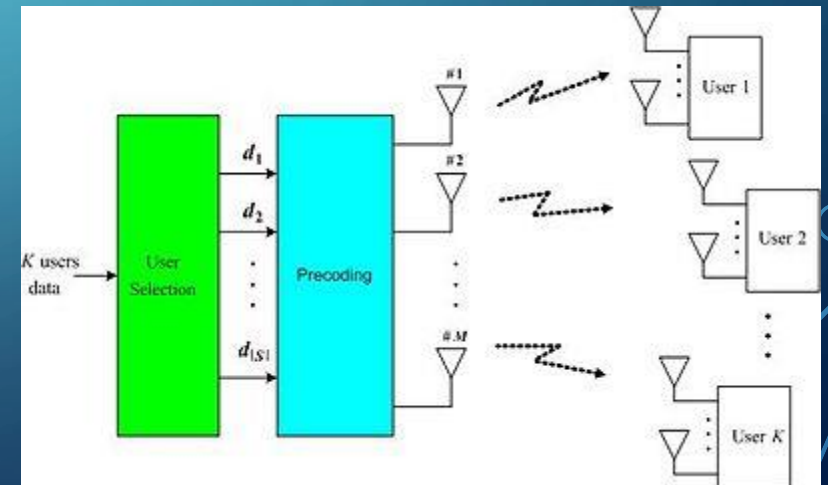
- **Reciprocity theorem**

- The following are the same for a given antenna for transmitting and receiving
 - Gain
 - Radiation pattern
 - Impedance
 - Bandwidth
 - Resonant Frequency
 - Polarization



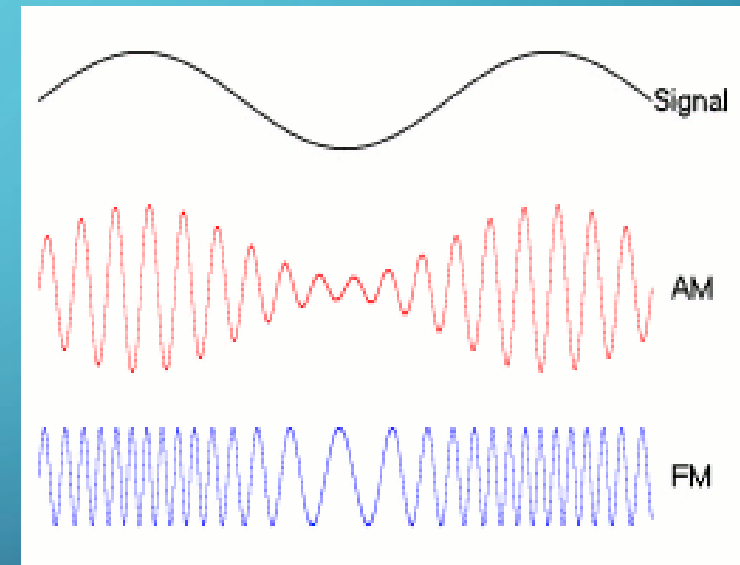
MIMO

- Multiple-Input and Multiple-Output (**MIMO**)
 - Exploit multipath propagation to multiply link capacity
 - 802.11n, WiMAX, LTE 4G, more
- Multi-user MIMO (**MU-MIMO**)
 - Complex signal processing handles multiple users
 - 3G, WiMAX



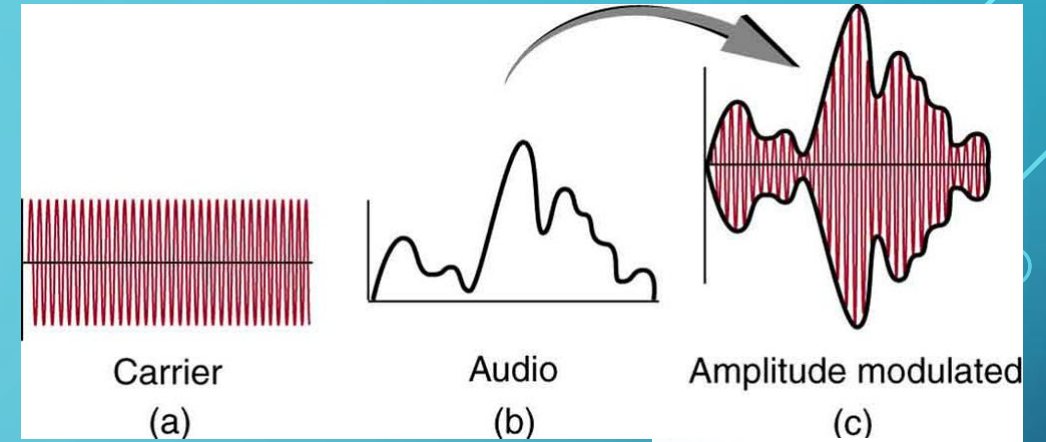
MODULATION

- **Modulation**: varying a periodic waveform called the **carrier signal** with another signal to encode information
- **modem** = **modulator**/**demodulator**
- AM = amplitude modulation
- FM = frequency modulation
- Data direction:
 - **Simplex** : one way (TV)
 - **Half duplex** : two way, alternate channel use (CB radio)
 - **Full duplex** : two way using two channels (mobile phone)

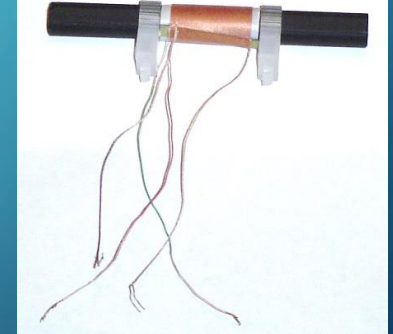
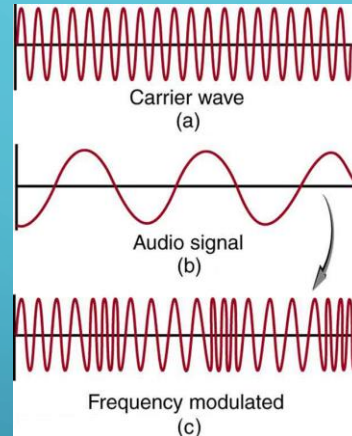


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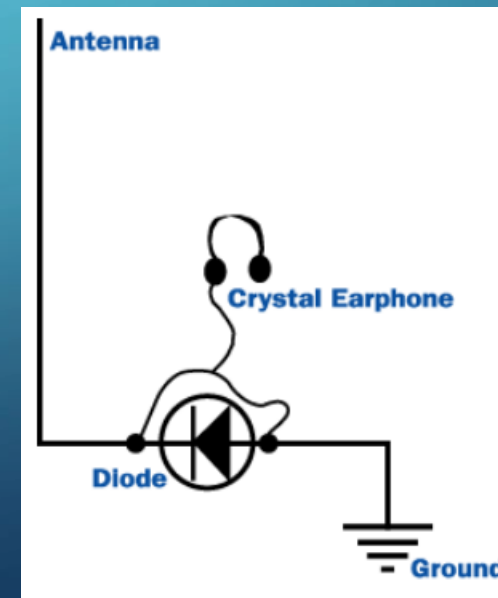
- AM – magnetic antenna
 - Wavelength 300m
 - $\frac{1}{4}$ monopole antenna would be 75m!



- FM – electric antenna
 - Wavelength 3 m
 - $\frac{1}{4}$ monopole antenna 75cm

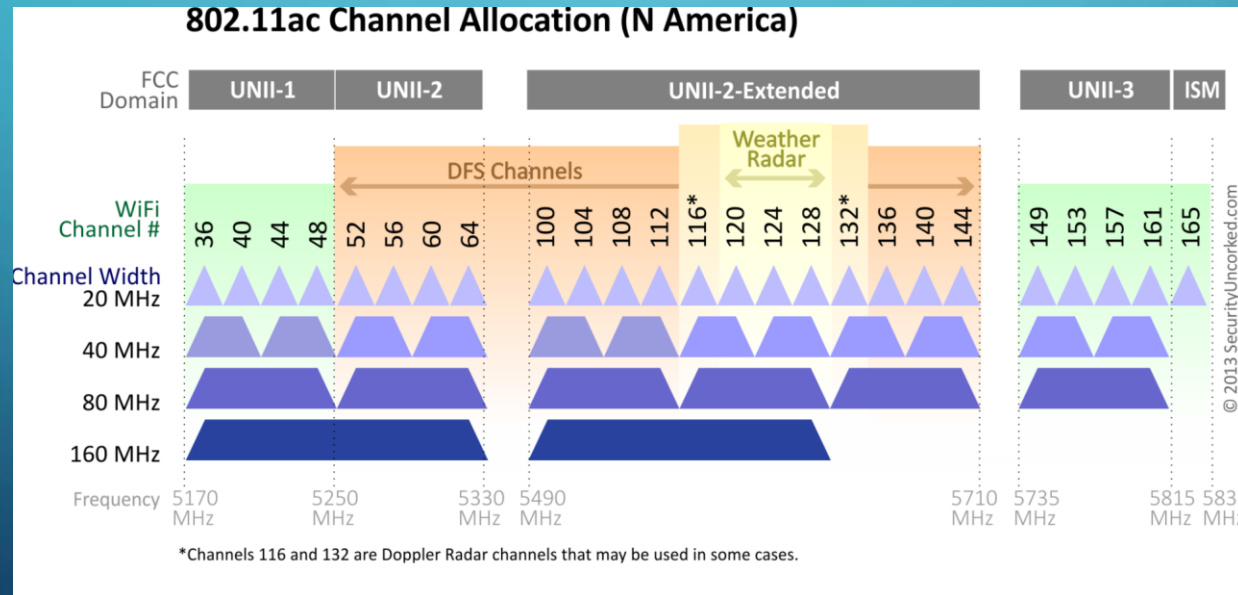


- Simple crystal radio – how works



SPECTRUM

- Communication given a **frequency** and **bandwidth**
- Ex:
 - FM radio channels are separated by 200 kHz, so channels “odd”: 97.1, 103.5
 - 200 kHz is the **bandwidth**

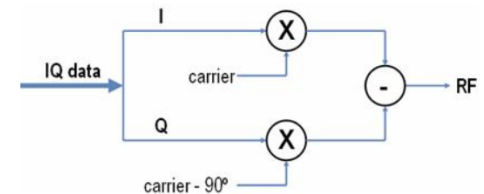


DIGITAL MODULATION

- In digital domain, modulation often called **keying**
- Wave parameters: frequency, amplitude, phase, polarization
- Some aspects susceptible to some errors while others not
 - Changes by use case, domain, power, cost, etc.
- In-phase (**I**) signal and quadrature (**Q**) signal
 - Q is 90 degrees out of phase with I

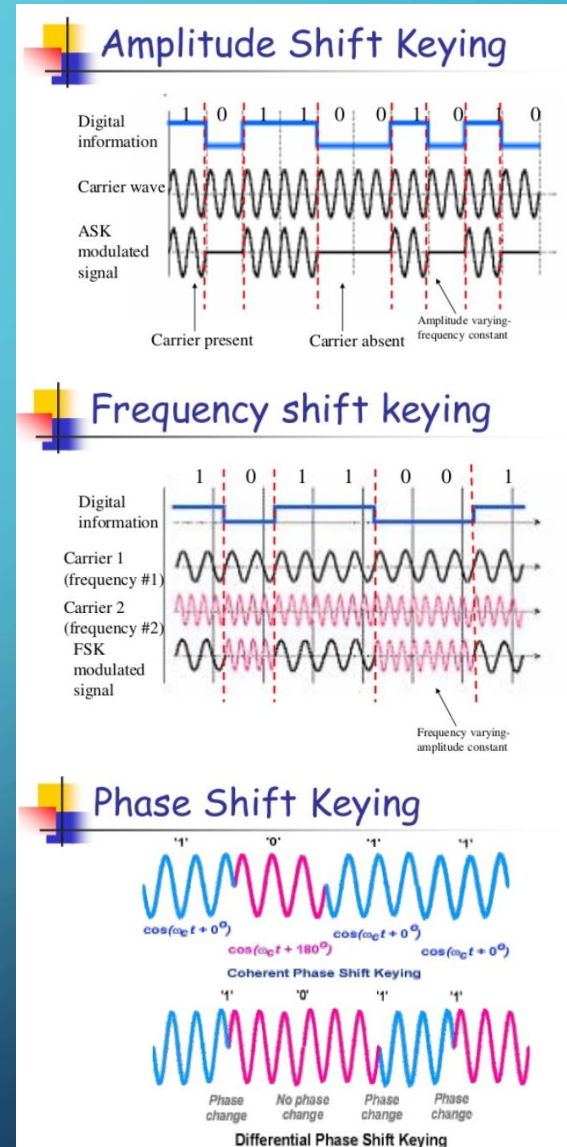
I/Q Modulation

- **I**: in-phase, **Q**: quadrature
- Sum of two sines is a sine
- Show what the carrier looks like compared to a simple, unmodulated signal
- Use I/Q because this is how it's actually done in hardware



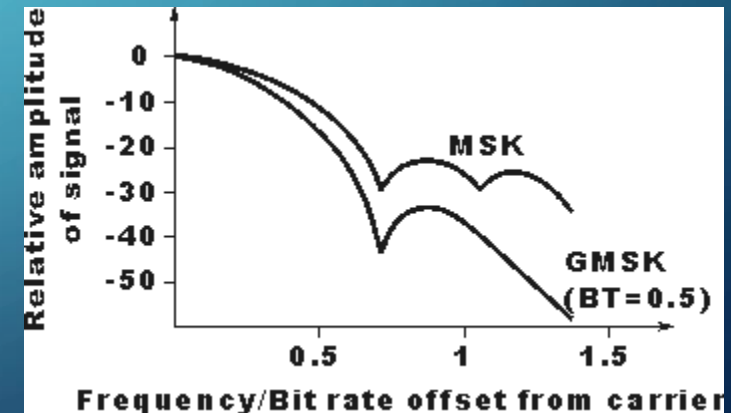
DIGITAL MODULATION

- Amplitude Shift Keying (**ASK**)
 - Amplitude denotes symbols
- Frequency Shift Keying (**FSK**)
 - Frequency denotes symbols
 - FSK less susceptible to errors than ASK (Keying)
 - Used in 300-1200 bps voice grade lines
- Phase-Shift Keying (**PSK**)
 - Phase denotes symbols
 - Exact phase requires clock syncing, so...
 - Differential (**DPSK**): change in phase is symbol
 - When 2 symbols, called Binary PSK (**BPSK**)
 - When 4 symbols, Quadrature PSK (**QPSK**)



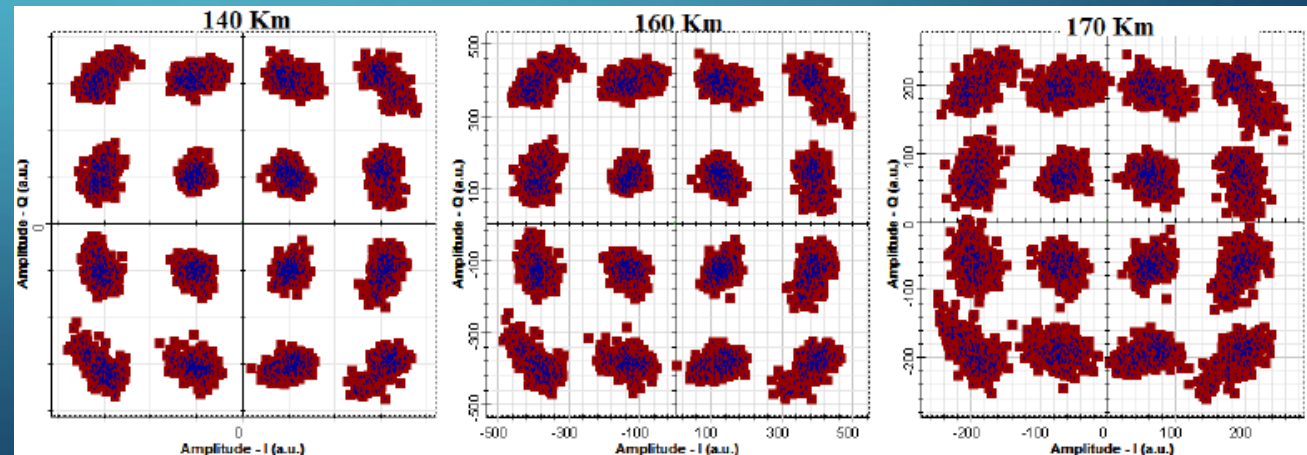
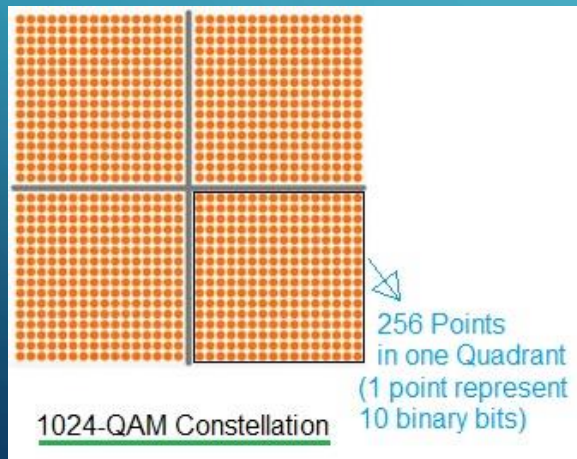
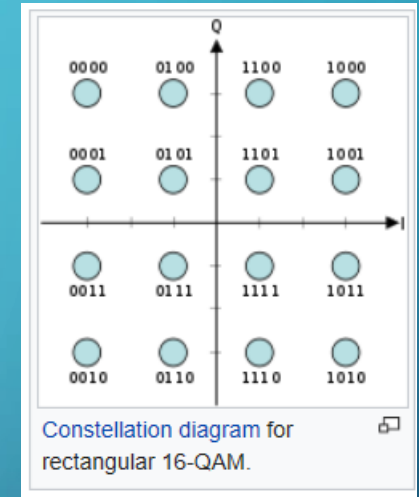
DIGITAL MODULATION

- Multi-level PSK (**MPSK**)
 - 9600 baud modems use PSK with 4 bits
- Offset quadrature phase-shift keying (**OQPSK**)
 - limited to 90 degree rotations
- Gaussian Minimum Shift Keying (**GMSK**)
 - Minimum shift for next symbol
 - Gaussian filtered to remove sideband noise (square edges “ring”)
 - Used in GSM cellular systems
- Many, many more....



DIGITAL MODULATION

- Want more symbols: so mix **phase** and **amplitude**....
- Quadrature Amplitude Modulation (**QAM**)
 - QAM-4, QAM-16, QAM-64, QAM-256, ...
 - DOCSIS up to QAM-16384, Digital Video 65536, more ?
QAM-4: same performance, twice the bandwidth efficiency of BPSK
 - Used in DSL, wireless networks, many more



SPREAD SPECTRUM

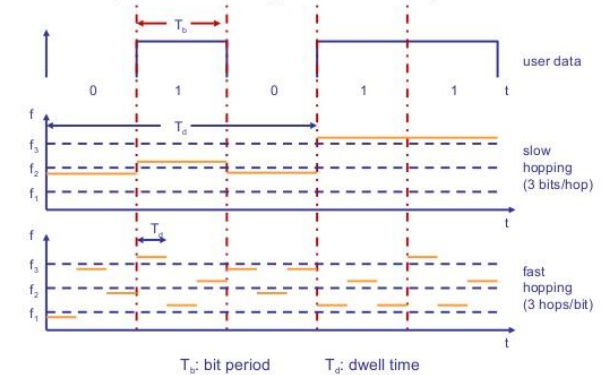
- Send data over wider bandwidth
 - Resistance to interference, noise jamming
 - Prevent detection
 - Limit flux density (satellite downlinks)
 - Security
 - Spreads power over wide spectrum -> spread spectrum
 - Narrowband interference cannot jam
 - Patented Hedy Lamarr



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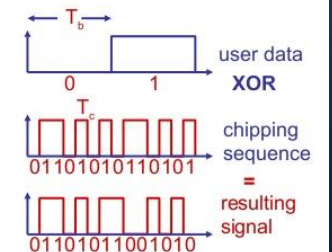
- Frequency hopping spread spectrum (**FHSS**)
 - Pseudo random frequency hopping, known to transmitter and receiver
 - Bluetooth
- Direct sequence spread spectrum (**DSSS**):
 - Spreading factor: code bits/databit = 10-100 commercial (FCC min 10), 10,000 for military
 - Signal bandwidth > 10x data bandwidth

FHSS (Frequency Hopping Spread Spectrum) II



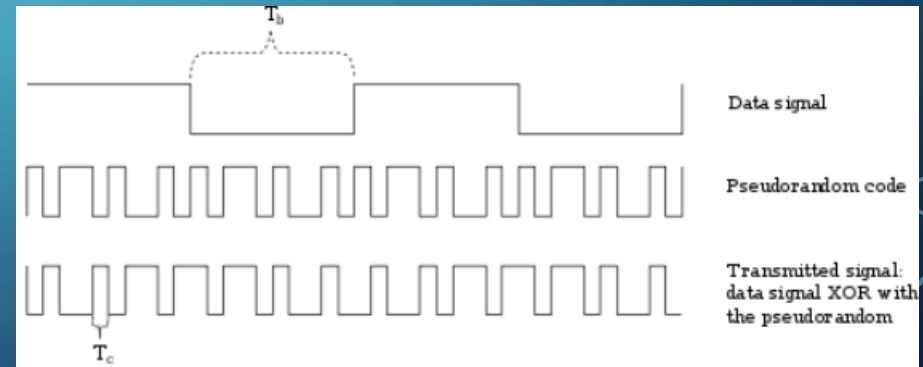
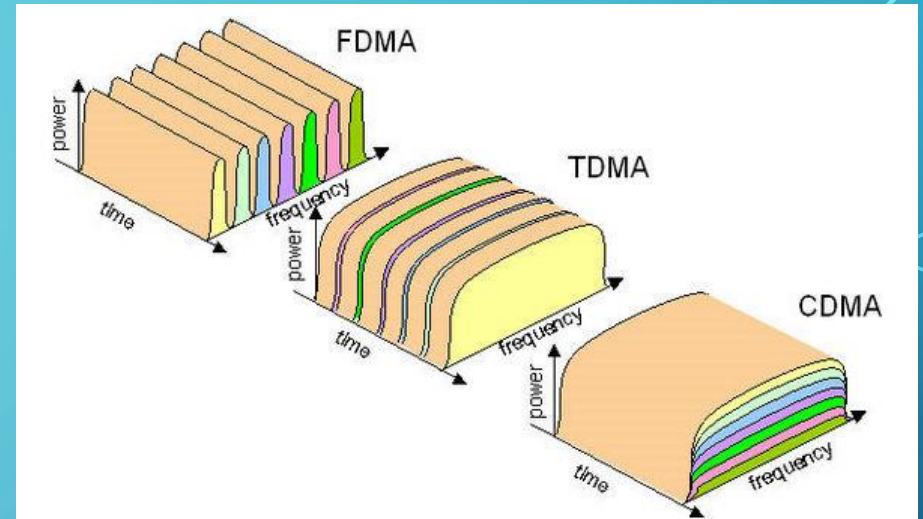
DSSS (Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum)

- XOR the signal with pseudonoise (PN) sequence (chipping sequence)
- Advantages
 - reduces frequency selective fading
 - in cellular networks
 - base stations can use the same frequency range
 - several base stations can detect and recover the signal
- But, needs precise power control



DIVISION

- Frequency Division Multiple Access (**FDMA**)
 - Multiple users share channel bandwidth, each has very specific frequency
 - Requires high performance hardware filters
- Time Division Multiple Access (**TDMA**)
 - Users share same channel, take turns split in time
 - Used in 2G
- Time Division Duplex (**TDD**)
 - Allows duplex over single channel via time
 - Used in many LTE deployments
- Code Division Multiple Access (**CDMA**)
 - Each user data XORed with unique pseudorandom code, all users transmit, decoder pulls out each signal
 - 8-15 times capacity of analog
 - Spread spectrum single sideband



DIVISION

- Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing (**OFDM**)
 - Splits channel into multiple frequencies
 - Nearby subchannels encoded using methods to avoid crosstalk, “orthogonal”
 - Orthogonal => peak of one is null of other
 - Better able to cope with severe channel conditions
 - Available band divided into 256 or more subbands
 - Each carrier modulated **BPSK, QPSK, 16-QAM, 256-QAM, ...**
 - Selective frequency fading
 - Used in 802.11 a/g, 802.16, HDTV, ADSL, DOCSIS, WLAN, 802.11 ax, more

NOISE

- **Reflection**

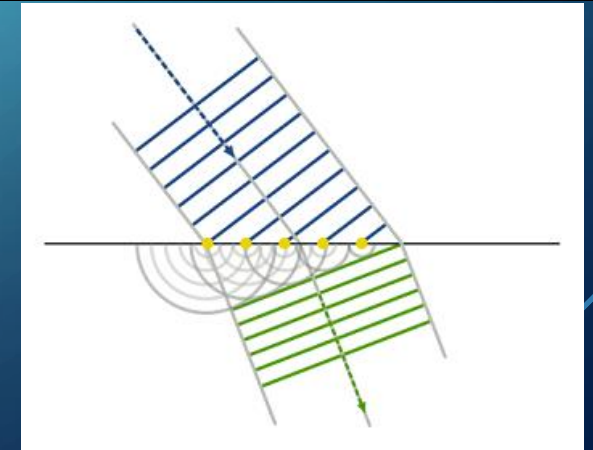
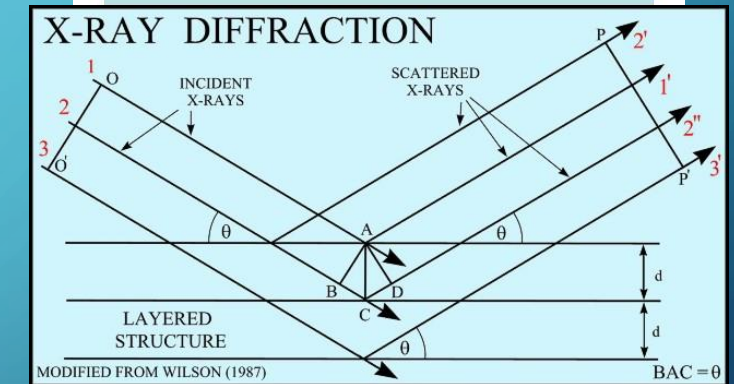
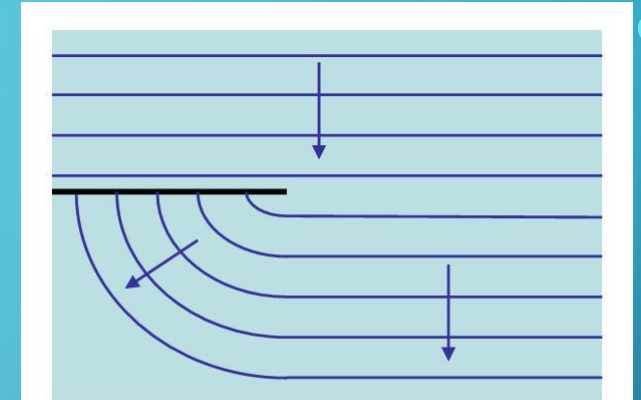
- Large surface relative to wavelength
- May have phase shift
- May cancel original or increase it

- **Diffraction** around edges

- Edge of impenetrable body large relative to wavelength

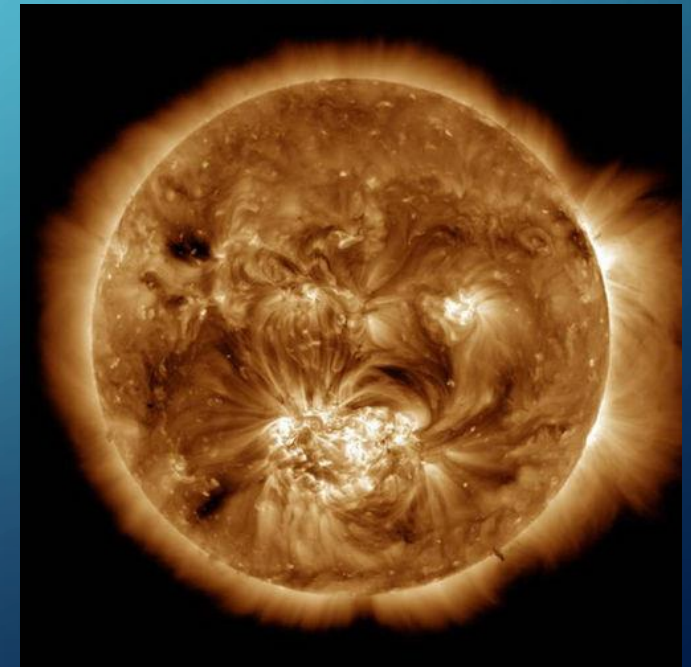
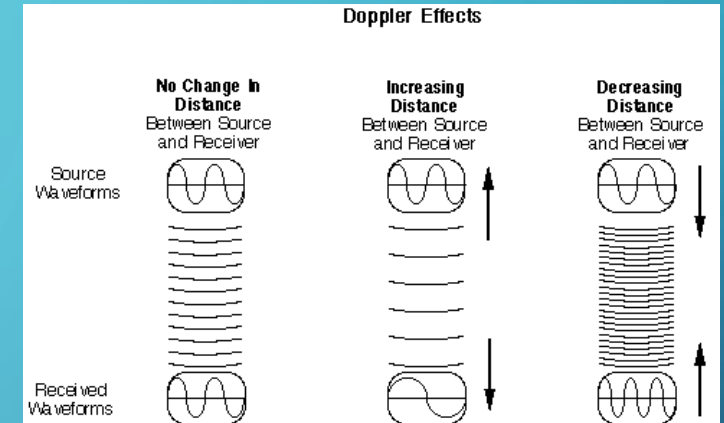
- **Scattering**

- Obstacle on order of wavelength, like a lightpost
- If no line of sight (LOS), diffraction and scattering are primary means of reception



NOISE

- **Doppler** shift
 - 2.4 GHz, 120 km/hr => 267 hz difference
- Doppler if moving
 - 2.4 ghz, moving 120km/hr, 267 hz change)
- **Intermodulation**
- **Crosstalk**
- **Impulse** (spikes, short duration, high amplitude)
- **Sunspots** mostly affect lower frequencies (under GHz)
- Carrington event 1859
 - damaged telegraph lines world wide,
 - would cost US ~\$1 Trillion today



THERMAL NOISE

- **Thermal** – heat is vibrating atoms, vibrating atoms emit radio waves
 - antennas heat things, how microwave works
 - Uniformly distributed, white noise
- Thermal noise = kT Watts/Hz
- k = Boltzmann constant = 1.38×10^{-23} Joules/Kelvin
- T = absolute temperature in Kelvins
- **Ex:** 10 MHz receiver at 21 degrees C
 - Thermal noise = $1.38 \times 10^{-23} \times (21 + 273.15) \times (10 \times 10^6)$
 - In dBW = $10 \log_{10}$ of above = -133.9 dBW

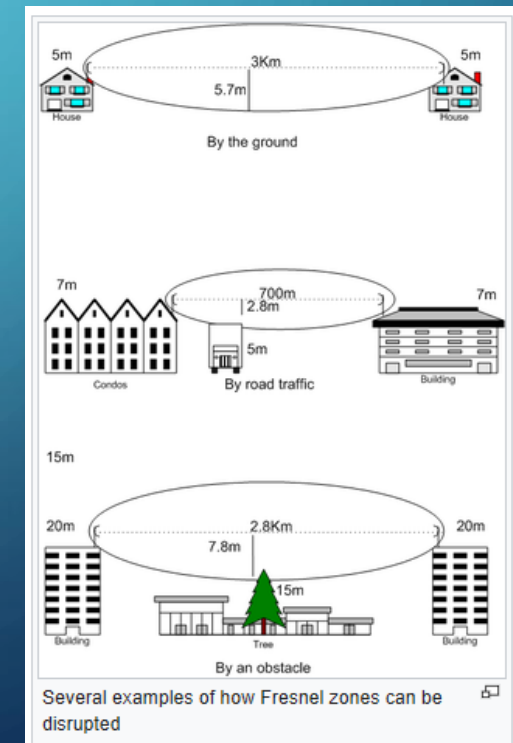
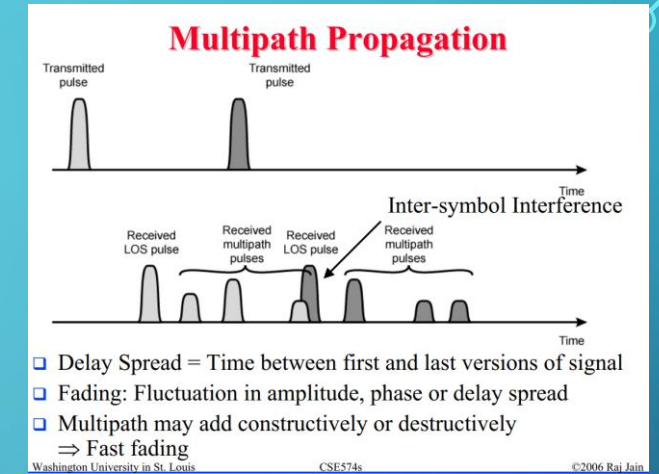
MULTIPATH

- **Multipath** issues



- **Fresnel zone**

- Infinitely many
- Out of phase reduce signal, in phase reinforce
- Odd in phase, even out of phase
- First 3 most important
- Don't block first when placing antennas
- Radius $F_n = \sqrt{\frac{n\lambda d_1 d_2}{d_1 + d_2}}$ where d_i are distances to end, λ is wavelength



CHANNEL CAPACITY

- **Channel capacity:** tight upper bound on rate at which information can be transmitted over a communication channel. Symbol is **C**
- **Nyquist rate:** upper limit on symbol transfer rate, $\leq 2 \times$ bandwidth B
 - If symbol is a bit (bi-level encoding), then bit rate $\leq 2B$
 - Multi-level encoding: bit rate $\leq 2B \log_2 M$
- **Shannon-Hartley Theorem:**
 - Signal to noise S/N
 - Capacity $C = B \log_2(1 + S/N)$

CHANNEL CAPACITY

- Shannon Hartley Theorem:

- Example old wired phones::

- Wire bandwidth 3100 hz, $S/N = 30\text{dB}$,
 $10 \log_{10} S/N = 30 \Rightarrow S/N=1000$
 - Capacity = $3100 \log_2(1+1000) = 30,894 \text{ bps}$

- **Spectral efficiency** : bits/s/Hz

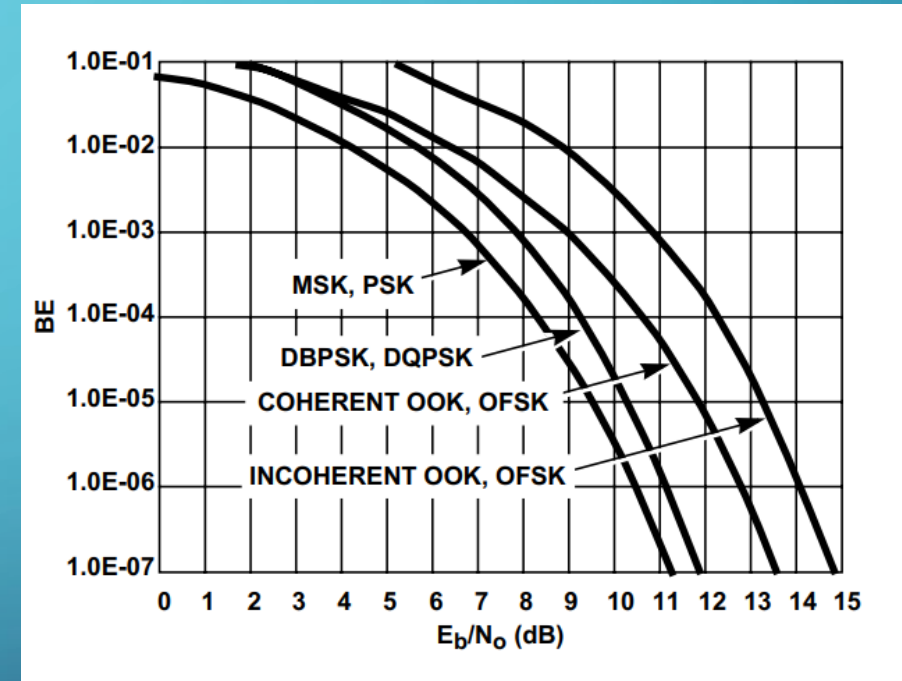
- Link spectral efficiency: Bit rate per hertz of bandwidth, net after error correction, etc.
 - Modulation spectral efficiency: including error correction and other requirements

- Ex: V.92 phone modem: phone 300-3400Hz, 56,000 bps down,
 $56000/3100=18.1 \text{ bps/Hz}$

Technology	Spectral efficiency
2G cellular	0.5-1.3
3G	0.07-2.5
4G	2.7-7.3
WiFi a/g	2.7
WiFi ac	5-43

ERROR CORRECTION

- Bit error rate
- Error detection – checksums: CRC, MD5, etc.
- **Forward Error Correction (FEC)**
 - Add redundancy, allows bit correction at receiver
 - Hamming distance: number of bits incorrect
- **Convolutional** codes: k bit in, $k+r$ out,
 - designed for long bit streams
- **Classical FEC codes**: 3dB below Shannon limit
- **Turbo codes** : 0.5 dB below Shannon limit
 - Developed in 1993
 - 2 codes with interleaver
 - 3rd gen cellular uses

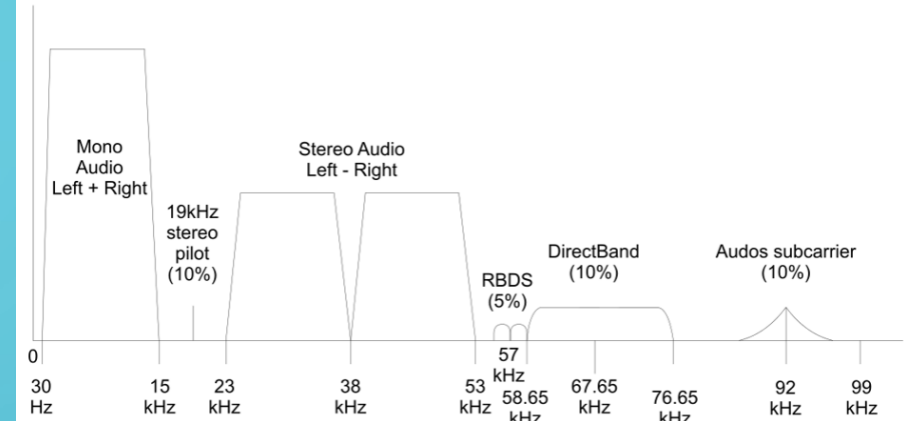


HIGHER LAYERS

- Above physical layer are many more layers
 - OSI model is a good reference
- Error correction
- Most advanced designs are packet networks, like IP
- Security

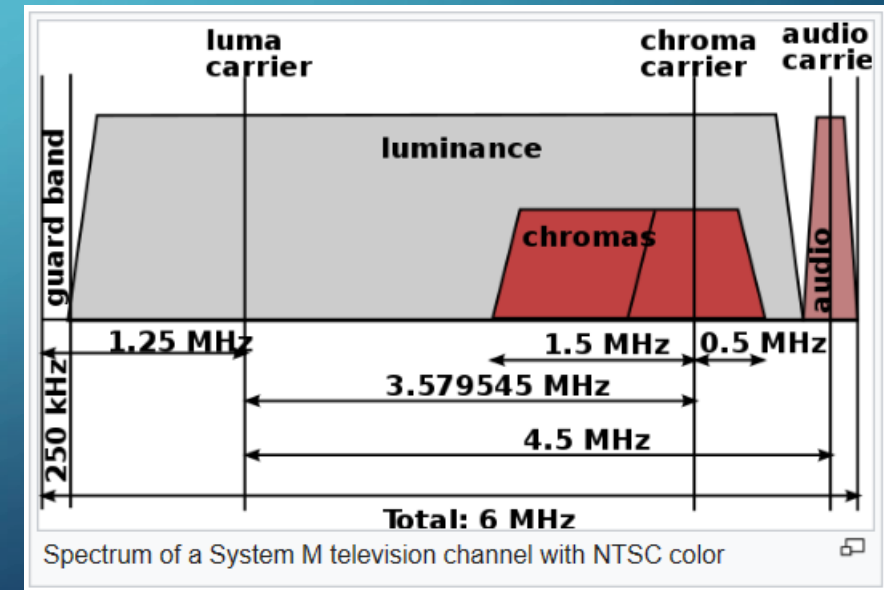
EXAMPLE: FM RADIO (US)

- 88-108 MHz
- Each channel gets 200 kHz bandwidth
- Digital : FM in-band on-channel (IBOC)
 - Digital in sidebands of usual FM stations
 - Increases interference for many older receivers
 - 57kHz subcarrier gives station name, GPS data for commercial receivers, radio text, at 1187.5 bps
 - OFDM and proprietary compressed
 - Gives 100, 112, 125, or 150 kbits/s data depending on power.
 - Can split into multiple channels



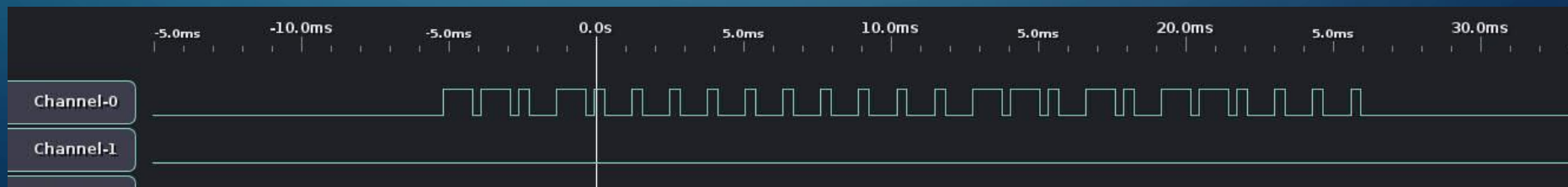
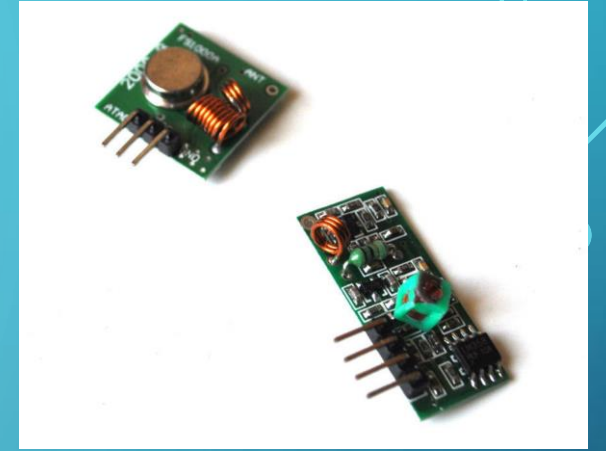
EXAMPLE: NTSC TELEVISION

- Channels 2-6 (54-88 MHz), 7-13 (174-216 MHz), 14-51 (470-698MHz)
- Each channel gets 6 MHz bandwidth
- 30/1.001 (~ 29.97) interlaced frames per second
 - Audio and video “beats”
rate scaled down 1.001 to remove the aliasing
- 262.5 scan lines per frame, total of 525 lines, 483 visible
 - Vertical blanking lines allow synchronization and retrace
- Luma (brightness) and chrominance (color) $\Rightarrow$ RGB at TV
 - Color subcarrier at 315/88 MHz
uses QAM (I and Q) to encode chrominance
- Audio FM modulated 4.5 MHz higher than base freq



EXAMPLE: RF REMOTES

- 433 MHz
 - 69 cm wavelength, antenna usually $\frac{1}{4}$ length at 17 cm, requires reflection plane
- On-off keying (OOK), also called Amplitude (ASK)
- **No formal data format**
- Usually something like:
 - 0 bit = on for T , off for T ; 1 bit = on for T , off for $5T$; SYNC = on for T , off for $10T$
 - Sometimes short and long high pulses for 0,1
 - Sometimes other symbols also encoded
- Remote button press sends some number N of packets
- Packet usually around 50 bits, often manufacturer prefix, then data for key pressed



EXAMPLE: WIFI

Standard	Year	GHz	Bandwidth (MHz)	Modulation	Antenna		Range m indoor/ outdoor
802.11	1997	2.4	20	DSSS,FHSS		2 Mb/s	20/100
802.11b	1999	2.4	20	DSSS		11 Mb/s	35/140
802.11a	1999	5	20	OFDM		4 Mb/s	35/120
802.11g	2003	2.4	20	DSSS,OFDM		54 Mb/s	38/140
802.11n	2009	2.5, 5	20,40	OFDM	MIMO	900 Mb/s	70/250
802.11ad	2010	60	2160	DSSS,OFDM, BPSK	Beamforming	7.2 Gb/s	3/120
802.11ac	2013	5	40,80,160	OFDM	(MU-)MIMO	2 Gb/s	35/120
802.11ax	2019	2.4, 5	20,40,80,160	OFDMA, 1024 QAM	(MU-)MIMO	14 Gb/s	35/120

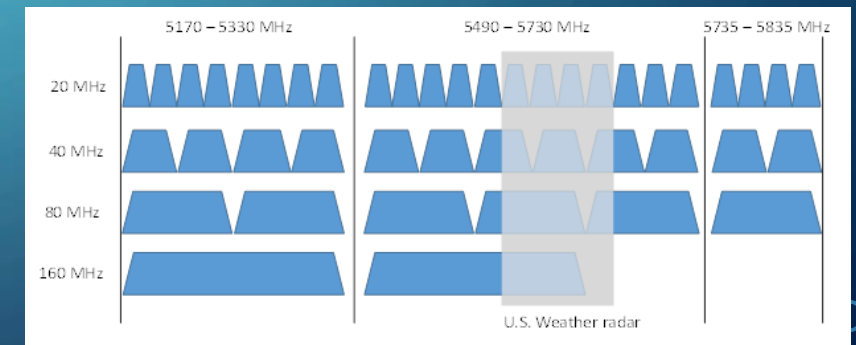
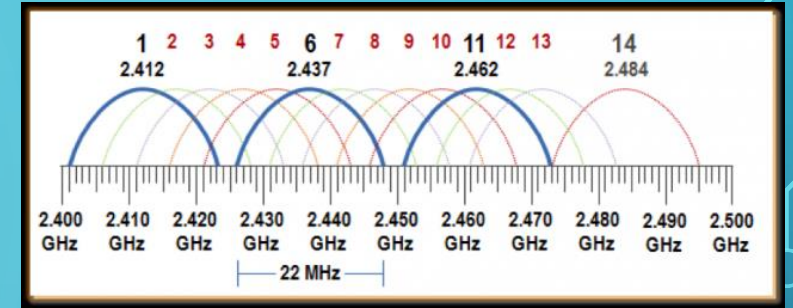
EXAMPLE: WIFI

- 2.4 GHz used by microwave, Bluetooth, ZigBee
- 5 GHz used by satellites and radar
- Most wireless cards 32 mW output (+15dBm)
 - ~ high power Light Emitting Diode
 - Max power output 100 mW
- 3 dBi antenna common, 50 ohm impedance



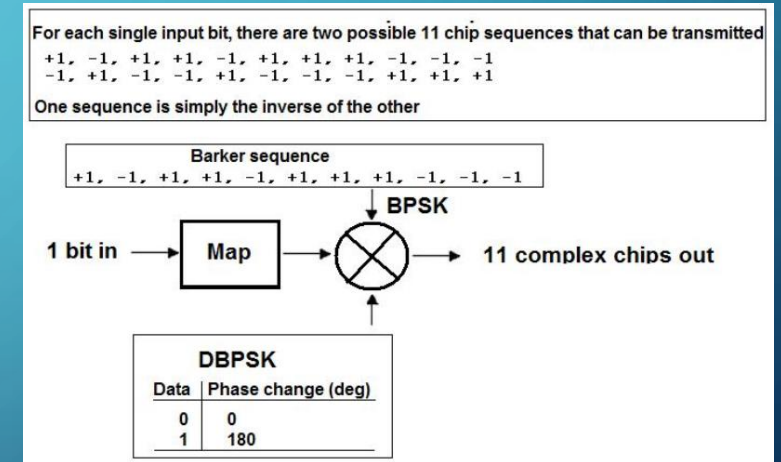
EXAMPLE: WIFI

- 2.4 band is channels each 22MHz wide.
 - North America 11 channels, Europe 13, Japan 14.
 - Only two non-overlapping
- 5 GHZ band 3 bands, each split into 4 channels, total 12 channels
- 802.11 a and g use OFDM
 - Each 20 MHz wide carrier split into 52 subchannels, each 300 kHz wide.
 - OFDM uses 48 for data and 4 for error correction
 - BPSK for 125 kbps per channel = 6 Mbps
 - QPSK doubles to 12 Mbps
 - 16-QAM for 24 Mbps
 - 64-QAM gives 54 Mbps



EXAMPLE: WIFI

- 802.11b uses Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum (DSSS)
 - BPSK at 1 Mbps, QPSK for 2 Mbps, Complementary Code Keying (CCK) for 5.5 and 11 Mbps
 - 11 bit **Barker code** 1-2 Mbps
 - unaligned auto correlations are -1 and 0, aligned is +11
 - complementary code keying 5.5-11 Mbps
- 802.11n
 - **Channel bonding** aggregates two 20 MHz channels into one 40 MHz channel
 - MIMO (Multiple input/output) – uses multipath signals to the advantage of the receiver



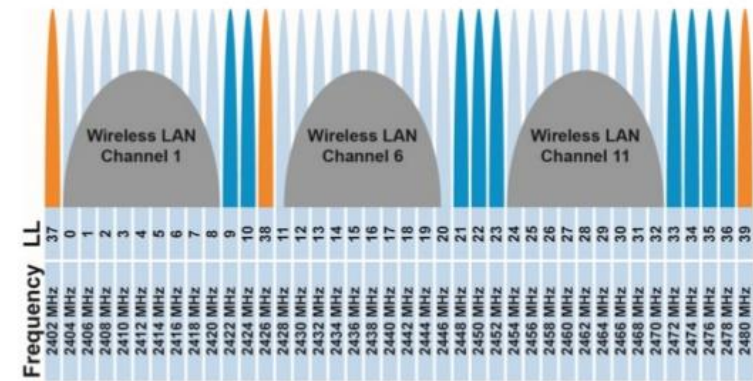
EXAMPLE: BLUETOOTH

- 2.4 GHz bands, Antenna
- 80 Channels, 1 MHz spacing.
 - Each channel shared by 8 devices
- GFSK at first, DQPSK added later
- **Frequency Hopping Spread Spectrum**
 - 800 hops per second,
- Duplex via time division (TDD)
- 1/3 or 2/3 rate Forward Error Correction, or Automatic Repeat Request (ARQ)
- Packets exchanged on master clock
 - 312.5 us/tick

ISM 2.4GHz band

FUJITSU

WiFi/Bluetooth frequency allocation



<http://www.digikey.com/es/articles/techzone/2013/jun/shaping-the-wireless-future-with-low-energy-applications-and-systems>

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Class	mW	dBm	Range m
1	100	20	~100
2	2.5	4	~10
3	1	0	~1
4	0.5	-3	~0.5

EXAMPLE: ZIGBEE

- 10-20 m
- 250 kbit/s
- 2.4 GHz (+ other in some countries)
 - 16 channels, 5 MHz apart, 2MHz bandwidth
 - Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum coding
 - BPSK in 868 and 915 MHz bands
 - OQPSK (2 bits per symbol) in 2.4 GHz band
 - $\frac{1}{4}$ length antenna is 3.125 cm long
- 0-20 dbm (1-100 mW) transmit
- Duty cycle for power savings
- 128 bit key for security



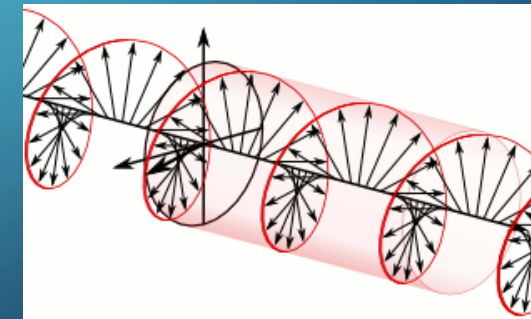
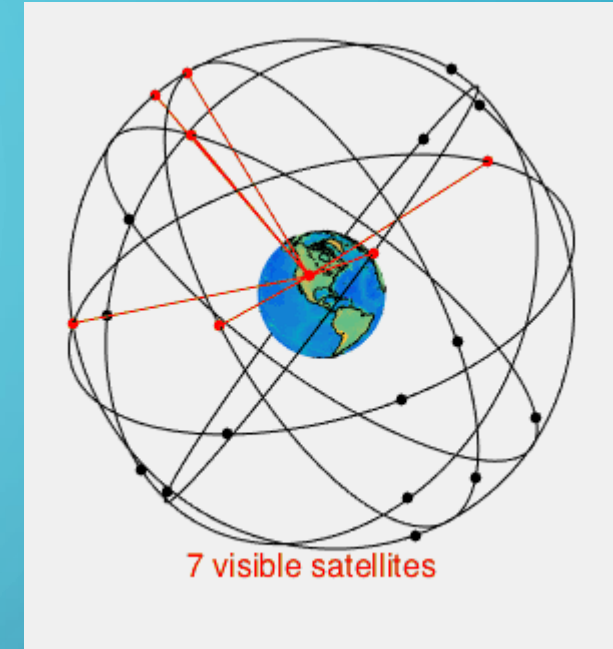
EXAMPLE: SATELLITE RADIO

- Sirius XM uses 2.3200-2.3325 GHz
 - Three 4MHz carriers, all decoded
- XM radio uses 2.3325-2.3450 GHz
 - Six 2MHz carriers, three decode by receiver
- User level antennas $\sim 40\text{dB}$ gain
- OFDM QPSK signals
- Each two-carrier group broadcasts ~ 100 8-kilobit-per-second streams in approximately 4 MHz of radio spectrum
 - Audio compressed by proprietary methods

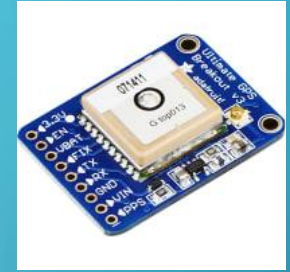


EXAMPLE: GPS

- 1.57542 GHz (L1 signal), 1.2276 GHz (L2 signal)
 - L3 at 1.38105 GHz used to report detected nuclear explosions to US
 - L4 at 1.379913 GHz is for studying ionosphere
 - L5 at 1.17645 is part of GPS modernization
- 24+ satellites, 20,000 km altitude, 4-12 visible at a time
 - 25.6 W transmitter, antenna gain 13 dBi gives 27 dBW
 - free space loss 182 dBW, leaves -155 dBW
 - Each has atomic clock with 1 nanosecond tick rate
 - Want 20-30 ns accuracy on clock ticks at earth
- GPS signals are **Right Hand Circularly Polarized**
 - Less vulnerable to destructive interference due to reflections
 - Difficult to read in small devices, which are usually vertically polarized



EXAMPLE: GPS



- Sends code known to receiver, alignment determines epoch
 - Sends Time of Transmission
 - Receiver measures 4 satellites, and from difference in times, computes receiver location
 - Modern receivers can track 12-20 satellites at once for more accuracy
- Transmits on L1 and L2 freqs, 50 bps, each message takes 750 seconds to complete (12.5 minutes)
- **Relativity** – Special and General both apply
 - Special relativity: Orbital speed 14,000 km/hr. Ground sees satellite clock as slower, adds about 7 ms per day.
 - General relativity: Earth mass curves space, satellites tick faster than ground by 45 ms per day.
 - Net is $45 - 7 = 38$ ms per day needs added at ground, else off by 10km/day

EXAMPLE: CELLULAR



- 2G: 800 MHz, 850MHz, 1900 MHz
- 3G: 850, 1700, 1900, 2100 MHz
- 4G LTE : 600, 700, 850, 1700, 1800, 1900, 2100, 2300, 2600, 3600, 5200 MHz

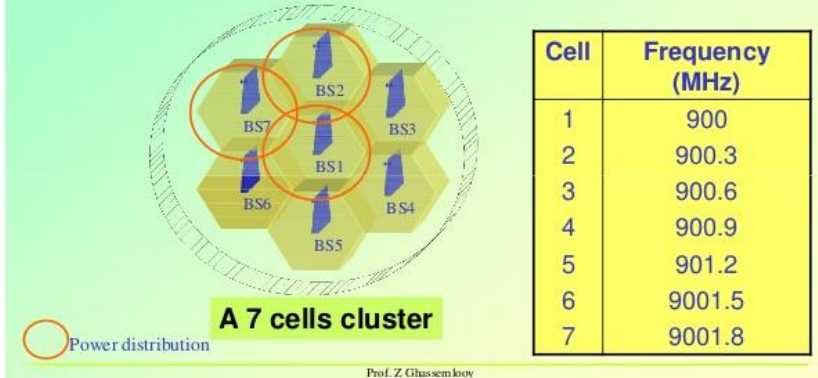
Mobile 1G 1980s	Mobile 2G 1990s	Mobile 3G 2000s	Mobile 4G LTE 2010s
AMPS, NMT, TACS	D-AMPS, GSM/GPRS, cdmaOne	CMDA2000/EV-DO, WCDMA/HSPA+, TD-SCDMA	LTE, LTE Advanced
N/A	<0.5 Mbps	63 Mbps	300+ Mbps
Analog voice	Digital voice + Simple data	Mobile Broadband	Faster and better
Large freq gap between users	> 1 user per channel via TDMA	~14x user capacity per channel	1 st global standard

EXAMPLE: CELLULAR

- Modulation formats:
 - FDMA, CDMA, TDMA, TDD (LTE), GMSK (GSM)
- Cellular tower structure
 - **Cell** –basic geographic unit of a cellular system
 - Channels
 - Coverage area called a footprint
 - **Cluster** – group of cells, no channels reused in cluster
 - Frequency reuse – each cell assigned some subset of channels different from neighbors
- Cell splitting – as cell gets too many users, needs split and more cells added
- Handoff – mobile, moving between cells. Cell network hands cell new channels as it moves
- Channels, antenna

Cell Cluster

- A cluster is a group of cells
- No channels are **reused** within a cluster



EXAMPLE: CELLULAR

- Components:
 - Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN)
 - Global backbone, wiring, local networks long-haul networks
 - Mobile Telephone Switching Office (MTSO)
 - Controls calls, tracks billing, locates subscribers
 - Cell site and antenna
- Mobile Subscriber Unit (MSU). 3 types:
 - Mobile telephone (trunk of car style): typical transmit power 4.0 watts
 - Portable (hand held): 0.6 watts
 - Transportable: (1.6 watts)

EXAMPLE: CELLULAR 3G

- 1998
- 384 kbs – 21.6 Mbps (“3.5G”)
- Evolving encoding: UMTS, CMDA2000 and revisions...
- CMDA2000 Rev C
 - QPSK, 8-PSK, 16-QAM
 - SNR required -12 to 9.7 (slow to fast)

EXAMPLE: CELLULAR 4G

- 2009
- MIMO, MU-MIMO
- OFDM, OFDMA, Single Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA)
- Turbo codes for error correction
- Adaptive modulation and error correction
- All IP packet switched network
- 100 Mbps high mobility, 1 Gbps low mobility
- Link spectral efficiency 15 bit/s/Hz downlink, 6.75 uplink
- LTE peak download 1 Gbps, upload 500 Mbps

EXAMPLE: CELLULAR 5G

- First wave ~2021, trials 2018-2019
- 9 GHz of unlicensed spectrum at 60 GHz (current cellular has ~800 MHz of spectrum). Some current testing at 15 GHz
- Want
 - 10-100x data rate,
 - 1000x network capacity (10^6 devices / km^2) using smaller cells
 - 10x energy efficiency,
 - 10-20x lower latency (1ms)
- 20 Gbps throughput

EXAMPLE: EMBEDDED DESIGN

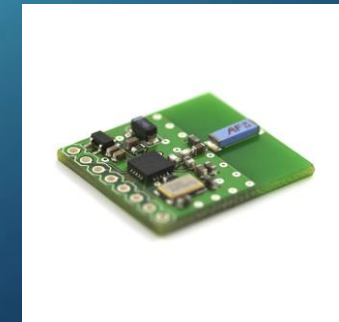
- Process for PCB antenna

1. Build PCB
2. Test with spectrum analyzer
3. GOTO 1 until works
4. FCC testing, fail
5. GOTO 1 again

- External antennas

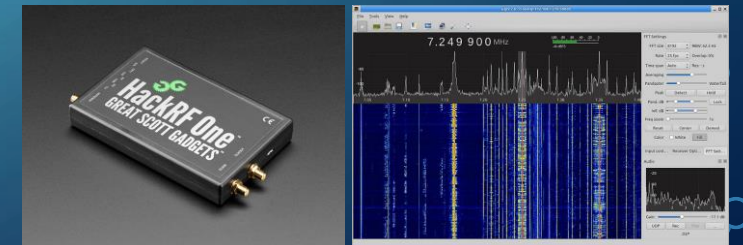
- **Chip antenna** – blue chip at right

- High permittivity constant sets up standing wave in tiny space
- Smaller than traditional antenna



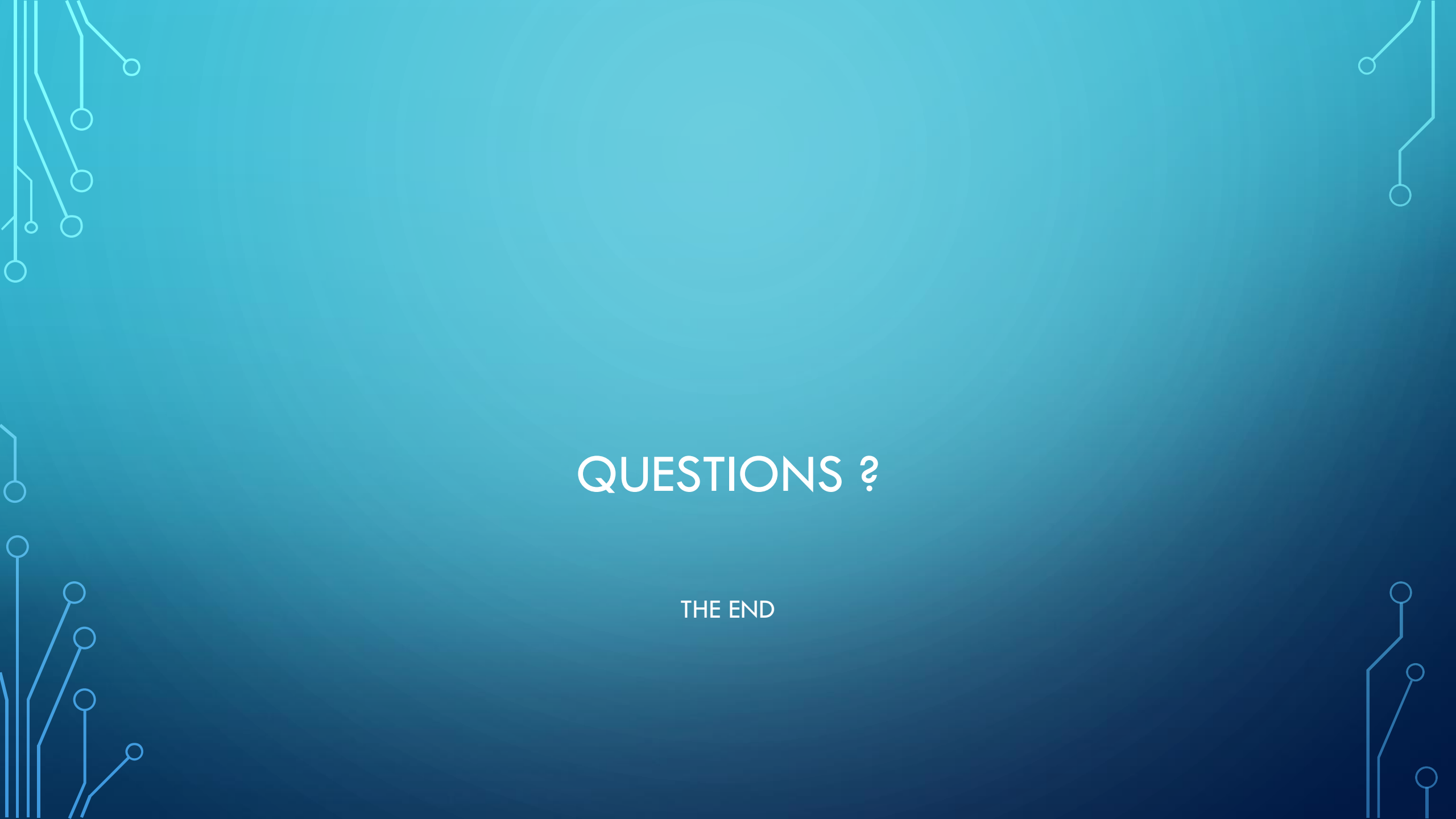
EXPERIMENT: SOFTWARE DEFINED RADIO

- Cheap RTL-SDR dongle ~\$25
 - Receive 500kHz - 28.8MHz signals
- HackRF One ~ \$300
 - Transmit/receive 1MHz – 6 GHz
 - TX/RX not simultaneous (?)
- Open source GNU Radio, gqrx
- Know laws to transmit



SECURITY ISSUES

- Protocol holes
- Snooping
- Leaks
- Blocking
- Physical layer (def of hardware, encoding and signaling, transmission and reception, topology)
- Breaks galore!

The background is a blue gradient with decorative white circuit-like lines in the corners. These lines consist of straight segments and small circles, resembling a stylized electronic circuit or data paths.

QUESTIONS ?

THE END