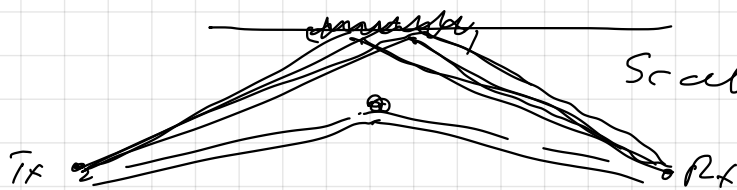


Multipath Channels (Frequency selective channels)



Scattering $\rightarrow$ multiple paths
all have diff. but
similar length
 $\sim 1 \cdot \lambda$

Assumptions: $|\tau_n - \tau_0| \ll T$

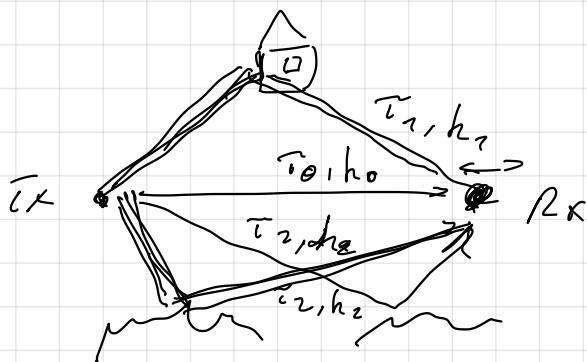
$$y(t) = \sum_{n=1}^N x(t - \tau_n) e^{j\phi_n}$$

diff. in arrival time is shorter than the
symbol duration $\tau_0 = 0$

$$x(t - \tau_n) \approx x(t - \tau_0)$$

$$y(t) = x(t) \cdot \sum_{n=1}^N e^{j\phi_n} \frac{1}{N}$$

Typical scenario



$$|\tau_n - \tau_0| \gtrsim T$$

diff. in path delays
exceeds the symbol
duration

$$\Rightarrow x(t - \tau_n) \neq x(t)$$

Each path experiences scattering or fading

Ind. path gains: $\tau_n, h_n \in \mathcal{CN}(0, \bar{h}_n)$

Channel model: FIR filter

$$y(t) = \sum_{\ell=1}^L h_{\ell} x(t - \tau_{\ell})$$

channel
model
 $x(t) = \delta(t)$

↑
dumps when we move
with a block-fading
assumption

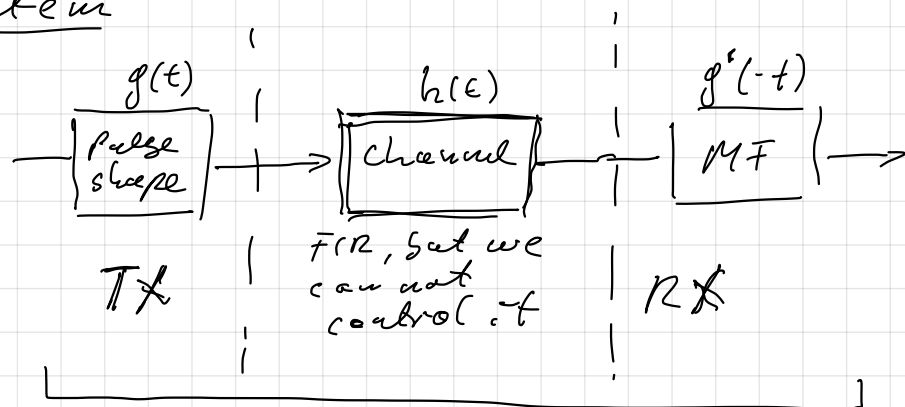
$$h(t) = \sum_{\ell=1}^L \delta(t - \tau_{\ell}) h_{\ell}$$

FIR-filter

Multipath channel model

$$x(t) \xrightarrow{\text{channel}} \left| \frac{h(t)}{FIR} \right| \rightarrow y(t)$$

Complete System



Combine these effective channel

$$h_e(t) = g(t) \otimes h(t) \otimes g^*(-t)$$

How to characterize $h(t)$

- Assumption: Tap delay τ_n are given and fixed
- Strength of the taps: Rayleigh fading

Characterize random impulse response with autocorr fct.

$$R_h(\Delta\tau) = E\{h(\tau)h^*(\tau - \Delta\tau)\}$$

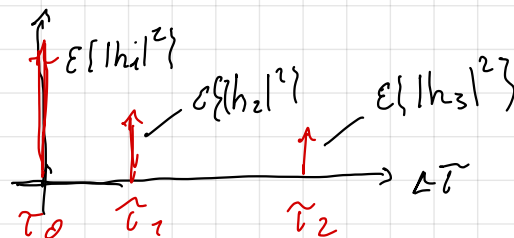
$$= E\left\{\sum_{l=1}^N h_l \delta(\tau - \tau_l) \sum_{l'=1}^N h_{l'}^* \delta(\tau - \tau_{l'} - \Delta\tau)\right\}$$

if h_l and $h_{l'}$ for $l \neq l'$ are uncorrelated

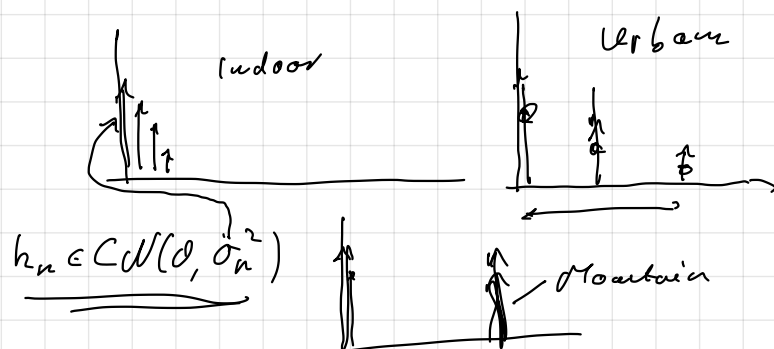
$$E\{h_l h_{l'}\} = 0 \text{ for } l \neq l'$$

$$= \sum E\{|h_l|^2\} \delta(\tau_l - \Delta\tau) = \begin{cases} E\{|h_l|^2\} & \Delta\tau = \tau_l \\ 0 & 0 \end{cases}$$

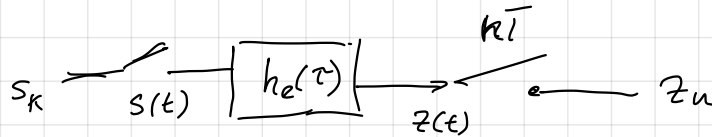
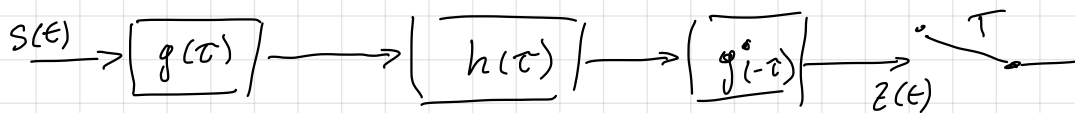
Power-delay-profile



Example: PDPs



Receiver Impact of Multipath



Sampling @ $n \cdot T$: $z_n = z(nT)$

$$g_{oe} = g \otimes g^*$$

$$z_n = z(nT): \quad \text{no channel } h(t) = \delta(t) \quad z_n = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} s_k g_{oe}(nT - kT)$$

g_{oe} fulfills Nyquist Criterion

$$g(nT) = \begin{cases} 1, & n=0 \\ 0, & n \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{then } z_n = s_n \rightarrow \text{no ISI}$$

Effective channel $h(t) \neq \delta(t)$

$$h_{eff}(t) = \sum_{l=1}^L h_l g_{oe}(t - \tau_l)$$

$$z(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} s_k \sum_{l=1}^L h_l g_{oe}(t - kT - \tau_l) \Big|_{t=nT}$$

$$= \sum_{l=1}^L h_l \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} s_k g_{oe}(nT - \tau_l - kT)$$

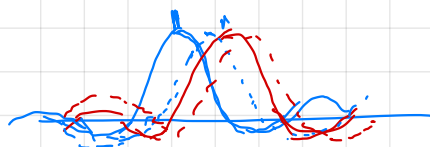
synchronize perfectly: $\tau_l = 0$

$$z(nT) = h_1 s_n + \sum_{l=2}^L s_k g_{oe}(nT - \tau_l - kT)$$

$$g_{oe}((n-k)T - \tau_l)$$

generally $\neq 0$

Inter-symbol interference



Multipaths = Echo

Multipath Channel Estimation

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- Training based

Given: a training (pilot) sequence (known to T_x and R_x)

$$\underline{x} = [x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{N-1}]^T$$

unknown: channel $\underline{h} = [h_0, h_1, h_2, \dots, h_{L-1}]^T \quad L \leq N$

note: for estimating L -taps we need at least $N \geq L$ training symbols

How to estimate $\underline{h}$ from R_x -vector $\underline{y} = [y_0, y_{t+1}, \dots, y_{t+p-1}]^T \quad p \geq L$

1) Write R_x -signal as a function of $\underline{h}$ and $\underline{x}$
↳ Convolution in linear algebra

$$y_t = \sum_{l=0}^{L-1} h_l x_{t-l} \quad \text{consider } t \geq L-1 \rightarrow t-l \geq 0$$

$$y_t = [x_t, x_{t-1}, x_{t-2}, \dots, x_{t-L+1}] \begin{bmatrix} h_0 \\ h_1 \\ \vdots \\ h_{L-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

for $t = L-1 \dots 2L-2$

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_{L-1}, x_{L-2}, x_{L-3}, \dots, x_0 \\ x_L, x_{L-1}, x_{L-2}, \dots, x_1 \\ x_{L+1}, x_L, x_{L-1}, \dots, x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_{2L-2}, x_{2L-3}, x_{2L-4}, \dots, x_{L-1} \end{bmatrix}}_{\underline{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{L \times L}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} h_0 \\ h_1 \\ \vdots \\ h_{L-1} \end{bmatrix}}_{\underline{h}} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} y_{L-1} \\ y_L \\ \vdots \\ y_{2L-2} \end{bmatrix}}_{\underline{y}} \quad \underline{y} = \underline{X} \underline{h}$$

2) Solve for $\underline{h}$ for $t = L-1, \dots, 2L-2$: $\underline{h} = \underline{X}^{-1} \underline{y}$

for $t = L-1, \dots, L+p-2$ with $p > L$: $\underline{h} = (\underline{X}^H \underline{X})^{-1} \underline{X}^H \underline{y}$