# The Nyquist Channel

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## The ISI Problem

- the overall pulse spectrum P(f)
- the optimum solution for the pulse shaping
  - zero intersymbol interference
  - minimum transmission bandwidth possible

$$y_i = a_i p_0 + \sum_{\substack{k=-\infty \ k \neq i}}^{\infty} a_k p_{i-k}$$
  $i = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \cdots$ 

Discrete LTI System  $y[i] = \sum_{k} a[k]p[i-k]$  $a[i] \longrightarrow p[i] \longrightarrow y[i]$  $T_{b} \longrightarrow y[i]$ 

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## Zero ISI Condition

• 
$$y_i = a_i p_0 + \sum_{\substack{k = -\infty \\ k \neq i}}^{\infty} a_k p_{i-k}$$
  $i = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \cdots$ 

• 
$$y_i = a_i p_0$$
 for all  $i \iff$ 

• 
$$p_0 = \sqrt{E}$$
 for  $i = 0$ ,  
•  $p_i = 0$  for all  $i \neq 0$ 



### To Find the Optimum Pulse Shape $p_{opt}(t)$

• 
$$y_i = \sqrt{E}a_i$$
 for all  $i \iff$ 

• $p_0 = \sqrt{E}$	for $i = 0$ ,	
• <i>p<sub>i</sub></i> =0	for all $i \neq 0$	

• 
$$p_i = p(iT_b) \implies p_{opt}(t) = ?$$

- the sampling rate is equal to the bit rate  $R = 1/T_b$
- the bandlimited pulse p(t) for the interval  $-B_0 < f < +B_0$
- interpolate  $p_i = p(iT_b)$  keeping the bandwidth  $B_0$  as small as possible

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- But the Nyquist sampling theorem gives
  - the minimum sampling rate in terms of a signal's bandwidth

### Interpolation

### Interpolation Formula: strictly bandlimited signal g(t), bandwidth W

$$g(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} g(\frac{n}{2W}) \operatorname{sinc}(2Wt - n)$$

reconstructing the original signal g(t)from the sequence of sample values  $\{g(n/2W)\}$ the sinc function sinc(2Wt): an interpolation function

•  $p_i = p(iT_b)$ : sampling p(t) at a uniform bit rate  $R = 1/T_b$ 

• the pulse shape p(t) in terms of its sample values

$$p(t) = \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} p\left(\frac{i}{2B_0}\right) \operatorname{sinc}(2B_0 t - i)$$

The Optimum Pulse Shape  $p_{opt}(t)$  - Zero ISI

• The interpolated pulse shape

$$p(t) = \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} p\left(\frac{i}{2B_0}\right) \operatorname{sinc}(2B_0t-i)$$

• Substitute the following equations for zero ISI

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$$p_0 = \sqrt{E}$$
 for  $i = 0$ ,  
▶  $p_i = 0$  for all  $i \neq 0$   
 $p(t) = p\left(\frac{0}{2B_0}\right) sinc(2B_0t - 0)$ 

$$p_{opt}(t) = \sqrt{E}sinc(2B_0t) = \frac{\sqrt{E}sin(2\pi B_0t)}{2\pi B_0T}$$

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The Optimum Pulse Shape  $p_{opt}(t)$  - Minimum Bandwidth

• 
$$p_{opt}(t) = \sqrt{E}sinc(2B_0t) = \frac{\sqrt{E}sin(2\pi B_0t)}{2\pi B_0T}$$

when transmitting symbols via the bandlimited baseband channel

- the maximum frequency that is allowed by the channel :  $B_0$
- the upper bound for the bit rate  $R = 1/T_b$  is obtained by
- $\frac{1}{2}\frac{1}{T_c} \leq B_o$ : the bandwidth, the half of the bit rate  $1/T_b$
- the lower bound for the required bandwidth
- bandwidth  $\geq Nyquitst Bandwidth B_0 = \frac{1}{2}R$



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# The Optimum Pulse Spectrum

#### the optimum pulse shape function and spectrum

$$p_{opt}(t) = \sqrt{E} \operatorname{sinc}(2B_0 t) = \frac{\sqrt{E} \operatorname{sin}(2\pi B_0 t)}{2\pi B_0 T}$$

$$\begin{split} P(f) &= \frac{\sqrt{E}}{2B_0} \qquad & \text{for } -B_0 < f < +B_0, \\ P(f) &= 0 \qquad & \text{otherwise} \end{split}$$

- $B_0$  the minimum transmission bandwidth
  - a brick-wall function (a rectangular function)  $\sqrt{E}rect(f/2B_0)$
  - no frequencies fo absolute value exceeding half the bit rate
  - bandwdith  $\Longrightarrow B_0 = \frac{1}{2}R = \frac{1}{2T_h}$
  - if  $rect(t/T_b)$  pulse is used, its spectrum becomes  $T_b sinc(fT_b)$
  - the first zero crossing of  $T_b sinc(fT_b)$  :  $1/T_b = R$
  - bandwdith  $\implies B = R = \frac{1}{T_b}$
- zero intersymbol interference

### The Nyquist Channel

- the optimum pulse spectrum :  $P_{opt}(f) = \frac{\sqrt{E}}{2B_0} rect(f/2B_0)$
- the Nyquist channel : the PAM system with  $P_{opt}(f)$ 
  - the goal of reducing the requried system bandwidth
  - the channel with the minimum bandwidth
  - ▶ bandwidth  $\ge Nyquitst Bandwidth B_0 = \frac{1}{2T_b}$
- the optimum pluse shape :  $p_{opt}(t) = \sqrt{E}sinc(2B_0t) = \frac{\sqrt{E}sin(2\pi B_0t)}{2\pi B_0T}$
- the impulse response  $p_{opt}(t)$  of the ideal low pass filter  $P_{opt}(f)$ 
  - zero crossigns at  $k/2B_0 = kT_b$
  - ▶ shifted pulses of  $p_{opt}(t kT_b)$  has no effect at zero crossings

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zero ISI

## The Problems in The Nyquist Channel

the optimum pulse spectrum :  $P_{opt}(f) = \frac{\sqrt{E}}{2B_0} rect(f/2B_0)$ 

 P(f) is flat from -B<sub>0</sub>and +B<sub>0</sub>and zero elsewhere physically unrealizable (the abrupt transitions at ±B<sub>0</sub>)

the optimum pluse shape : 
$$p_{opt}(t) = \sqrt{E}sinc(2B_0t) = \frac{\sqrt{E}sin(2\pi B_0t)}{2\pi B_0t}$$

 p(t) decreases as 1/|t| for large |t| relatively decays slowly (related to the abrupt transition at ±B<sub>0</sub>) no margin error in sampling times in the receiver

### Nyquist Rate - Definition 1

- upper bound for the symbol rate in the bandlimited channel
- given a bandwidth B<sub>0</sub>



bandwidth ≥ Nyquitst Bandwidth B<sub>0</sub> = <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>R = <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2T<sub>b</sub></sub>
given a symbol rate R

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### Nyquist Rate - Definition 2

lower bound for the sampling rate in the bandlimited signal

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• given a bandwidth  $B_0$ 



- sampling frequency  $\geq Nyquist Rate = 2B_0$
- sampling period  $\leq$  *Nyquist Interval* =  $1/2B_0$

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