# Lecture 03-12: Physical Layer OFDM 2

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# Outline

Hecap OFDM basics

#### Simple OFDM example



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#### Final step is to add everything up in time domain and send!



What would OFDM modulation equation look like?

#### **OFDM** sender equation





• Let each bit in subcarrier  $C_k$  be  $X_k$ 

• In BPSK, 
$$X_k \in \{1, -1\}$$

- Let T be the symbol time
- Modulate them with orthogonal frequencies

$$\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{t}) = \sum_{k=1}^{n} \mathbf{X}_{k} e^{i2\pi (k/T) t}$$

#### Equation for the final signal x(t) should look familiar $\odot$

# Outline

I. Recap OFDM basics
2. Implementing OFDM

#### Generalized Equation for OFDM



#### Note FFT of rectangular pulse is a sinc function

- Rectangular pulse function with period period T from [-T/2,T/2]
- FFT of this pulse is sinc( $\pi$ Tf) where sinc(x) is defined as sin(x)/x



When carrier spacing  $\Delta f = I/T$  each carrier become orthogonal to one another

# Modulating with carrier frequency $f_k$ shifts from 0-centered signal into a signal centered at $f_k$



# By setting carrier frequencies as $f_{base} + k/T$ we can make carriers orthogonal



#### Recall: Generalized Equation for OFDM



### Let's sample $x(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} X_k e^{i2\pi (k/T) t}$

• Let  $x_i$  be the j<sup>th</sup> sample of x(t)

 $x_i = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} X_k e^{i2\pi (k/T)t_j}$  where  $t_j = j\Delta t = j^{th}$  sample time • Given T is symbol time and n is the number of samples • Sampling interval  $\Delta t = \frac{T}{n}$  and sampling rate Fs  $= \frac{1}{\Delta t} = \frac{n}{T}$ Time

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# OFDM time domain sample $x_i = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} X_k e^{i2\pi (k/T)t}$

- t\_j/T =  $j\Delta t/T = j\Delta t/(n \Delta t) = j/n$
- Thus, we can rewrite as  $x_j = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} X_k e^{i2\pi jk/n}$

## **DFT and IDFT** Note OFDM $x_j = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} X_k e^{i2\pi jk/n}$

- $x_j$  is j<sup>th</sup> time domain sample out of n samples of period P  $\circ x_0 \times_1 \times_2 \dots \times_{n-1}$  are n time domain samples
- DFT of x<sub>j</sub>'s is  $X_{k} = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} x_{j} e^{-i (2\pi/n)jk}$ • IDFT of X<sub>k</sub>'s is  $x_{j} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} X_{k} e^{i (2\pi/n)jk}$

Identical! Thus OFDM modulation can be implemented via IFFT where IFFT is a fast implementation of IDFT

#### OFDM sender can be implemented via IFFT



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#### Receiver-side OFDM demodulation is implemented via FFT



 $\hat{X}_k$  are the decomposed coefficients of each frequency components of x(t)

# Comparing to "manual" implementation

• If we did NOT have FFT then... this is what we need in receiver side

• BPSK example used



# 802. I I a Wifi Example

- Total bandwidth Bw == sampling rate Fs
- Sampling rate Fs = N/T
  - T is the symbol periodN is the number of samples
- Total bandwidth  $Bw = N \Delta f$ 
  - N is also the number of carriers
    Δf is the bandwidth of each carrier



# 802. I I a Wifi Example

- Total bandwidth Bw = 20 MHz
- Sampling rate is also 20 MHz
- If N = 64

• Carrier spacing  $\Delta f = 20MHz/64$ = 312.5 KHz

 $_{\circ}$  Symbol time T = 1/  $\Delta f$  = 3.2 microsec

• Tolerable delay spread is rougly 1-2 microsec • More on delay spread later





#### Fuller Story: OFDM sender with I/Q modulation



### Fuller Story: OFDM receiver with I/Q modulation

