

$$S_H(\Delta f; \lambda) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_H(\Delta f; \Delta t) e^{-j2\pi\Delta f \Delta t} d\Delta t$$

Now let $\Delta f = 0$ and define $S_H(\lambda) \triangleq S_H(0; \lambda)$, then this function gives the signal intensity as a function of the Doppler frequency λ .

$S_H(\lambda)$ is called the "Doppler power spectrum" of the channel.

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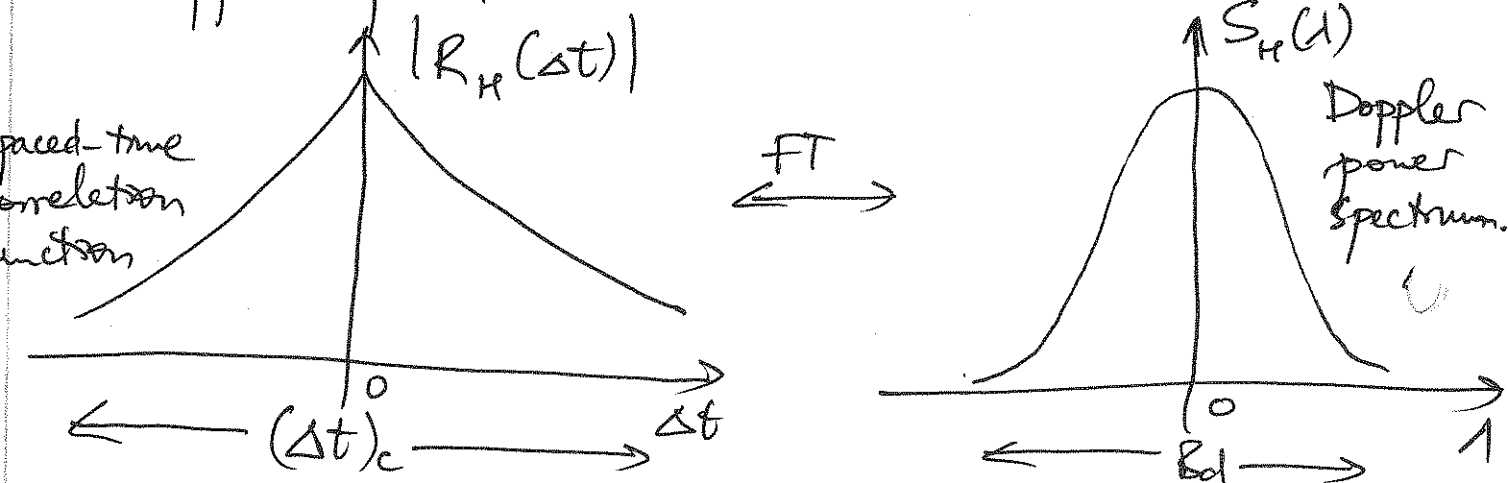
The range of λ over which $S_H(\lambda)$ is essentially non-zero is called the "Doppler spread" of the channel.

The reciprocal of the Doppler spread is a measure of the coherence time of the channel.

$$(\Delta t)_c \approx \frac{1}{B_d}$$

B_d : Doppler spread
 $(\Delta t)_c$: coherence time.

Note: If there is no time variation then $R_H(0; \Delta t) = 1$ and $S_H(\lambda) = \delta(\lambda)$. Then $B_d = 0$ and the channel is the same over time ($(\Delta t)_c = \infty$). There is no Doppler spread.



◦ The coherence time measures how fast the channel is changing with time. $(\Delta t)_c$ represents the maximum separation in time such that the signals are still strongly correlated.

A slowly varying channel has large coherence time and is called a "slow fading" channel. A slow fading channel has small Doppler spread.

A fast fading channel is the opposite: with short coherence time and large Doppler spread.

+) The scattering function:

◦ Define one more Fourier transform $S(\tau; \lambda)$ as

$$S(\tau; \lambda) = F(R_h(\tau; \Delta t)) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_h(\tau; \Delta t) e^{-j2\pi\lambda \Delta t} d\Delta t$$

then we can also show that

$$S(\tau; \lambda) = F^{-1}(S_H(\Delta f; \lambda)) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_H(\Delta f; \lambda) e^{j2\pi\tau \Delta f} d\Delta f$$

◦ The function $S(\tau; \lambda)$ is called the "scattering function" of the channel.

It provides the average power output of the channel as a function of the time delay τ and Doppler frequency λ .

◦ See the figure for relationships among all functions in the handout. (Figure 2.4).

+ Examples of wireless fading models.

o Multipath spread: This depends critically on the type of terrain.

For urban and suburban areas, $T_m \cong 1-10 \mu\text{s}$

For rural mountainous areas, $T_m \cong 10-30 \mu\text{s}$.

For mmWave (28 GHz): $T_m \cong 30-40 \text{ ns}, 60-80 \text{ ns}$

→ Coherent BW is much larger at higher frequencies (mmWave) which allows a larger carrier BW.

o Uniform scattering model: (narrowband channel)

Recall the received signal as a result of multipath:

$$r_e(t) = \sum_n \alpha_n(t) e^{j\phi_n(t)} s_e(t - \tau_n(t))$$

For narrowband channel, the signal BW is much smaller than the channel coherence time ($B_T \ll B_c \cong \frac{1}{T_m}$) then most (all) path delays will be approximately the same from the signal point of view.

Thus for narrow band channel:

$$r_e(t) = \sum_n \alpha_n(t) e^{j\phi_n(t)} s_e(t - \tau)$$

For unmodulated signal, $s_e(t) = 1 \quad \forall t$, then

$$r_e(t) = \sum_n \alpha_n(t) e^{j\phi_n(t)} \quad (\text{see Lecture 4})$$

Recall from lecture 4: For channel with many scatterers such that the received signal can be expressed as a continuum of many multipath components, the channel impulse response becomes

$$h(\tau; t) = \alpha(\tau; t) e^{-j2\pi f_c \tau(t)}$$

For a narrowband channel, since all multipath components have approximately the same delay, the channel can be written as

$$h(\tau; t) = \alpha(t) e^{-j2\pi f_c \tau(t)}$$

where the path delay $\tau(t)$ is time-varying, as is path amplitude $\alpha(t)$.

Now examine the channel auto-correlation:

$$\begin{aligned} R_h(\Delta t) &= E [h^*(\tau; t) h(\tau; t + \Delta t)] \\ &= E [\alpha(t) \alpha(t + \Delta t) e^{+j2\pi f_c [\tau(t) - \tau(t + \Delta t)]}] \\ &= E [\alpha(t) \alpha(t + \Delta t) e^{j\Delta\phi}] \end{aligned}$$

where $\Delta\phi$ is the change in phase over Δt .

Since path amplitude changes slowly, assume that $\alpha(t + \Delta t) \approx \alpha(t)$ and $E[\alpha(t) \alpha(t + \Delta t)] = P_r$, the average received power.

Uniform scattering assumption: Assume that the angle of arrival is uniformly distributed because of dense scatterers.

Recall from the Doppler shift (lecture 4):

$$\Delta\phi = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} v \cdot \Delta t \cdot \cos\theta$$

where θ is the angle of arrival.

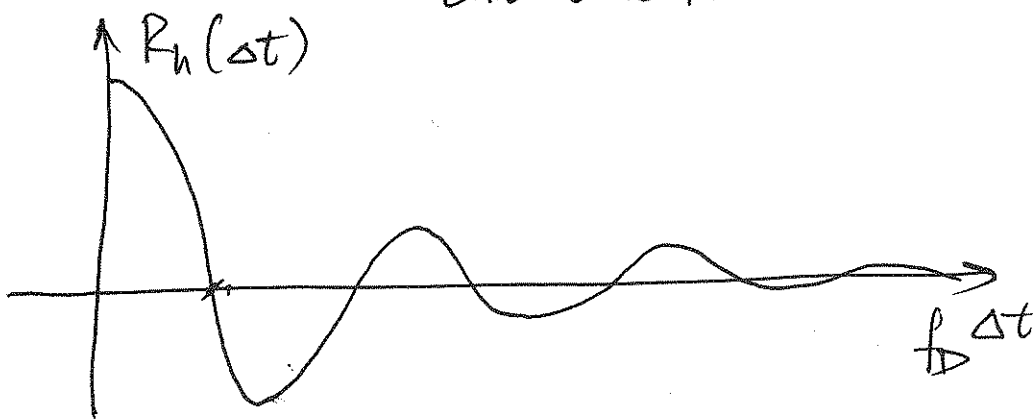
With the assumption that θ is uniformly distributed between $[0, 2\pi]$, then the autocorrelation function becomes:

$$\begin{aligned} R_h(\Delta t) &= E \left[\alpha(t) \alpha(t + \Delta t) e^{j \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} v \cdot \Delta t \cdot \cos\theta} \right] \\ &= P_r \cdot \int_0^{2\pi} e^{j \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} v \Delta t \cdot \cos\theta} \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi} d\theta \\ &= P_r \cdot J_0(2\pi f_D \Delta t) \end{aligned}$$

where: $f_D = \frac{v}{\lambda} = \frac{v \cdot f_c}{c}$ ($c = 10^8 \times 3 \text{ m/s}$ is the speed of light)

is the maximum Doppler spread

$J_0(\cdot)$ is the first kind Bessel function of zero order.

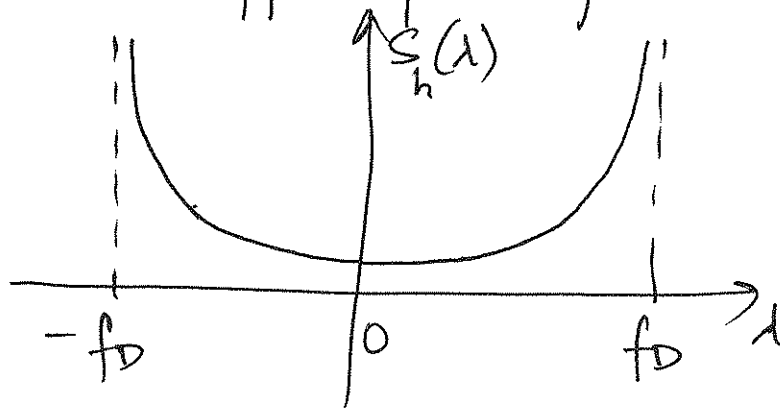


First zero of $R_h(\Delta t)$ occurs at approximately $f_D \Delta t \approx 0.5$, which corresponds to a traveling distance of $v \Delta t \approx 0.5 \lambda$, half a wavelength.

The signal becomes uncorrelated over distance and then becomes somewhat correlated again.

The 0.5λ distance is usually used as a rule of thumb for placing antennas in a MIMO system to get uncorrelated signals at different antennas.

Under the uniform scattering assumption then the channel's Doppler power spectrum becomes an U shape.



The uniform scattering assumption holds for microwave channels (below 6 GHz) but doesn't seem to hold for mmWave channels because the number of multipaths is fewer.