

Mobile Radio Communications

Course 3: Radio wave propagation



Propagation mechanisms

- free space propagation
- reflection
- diffraction
- scattering

LARGE SCALE: average attenuation

$$dx \gg \lambda$$

$$dt \gg T_s$$

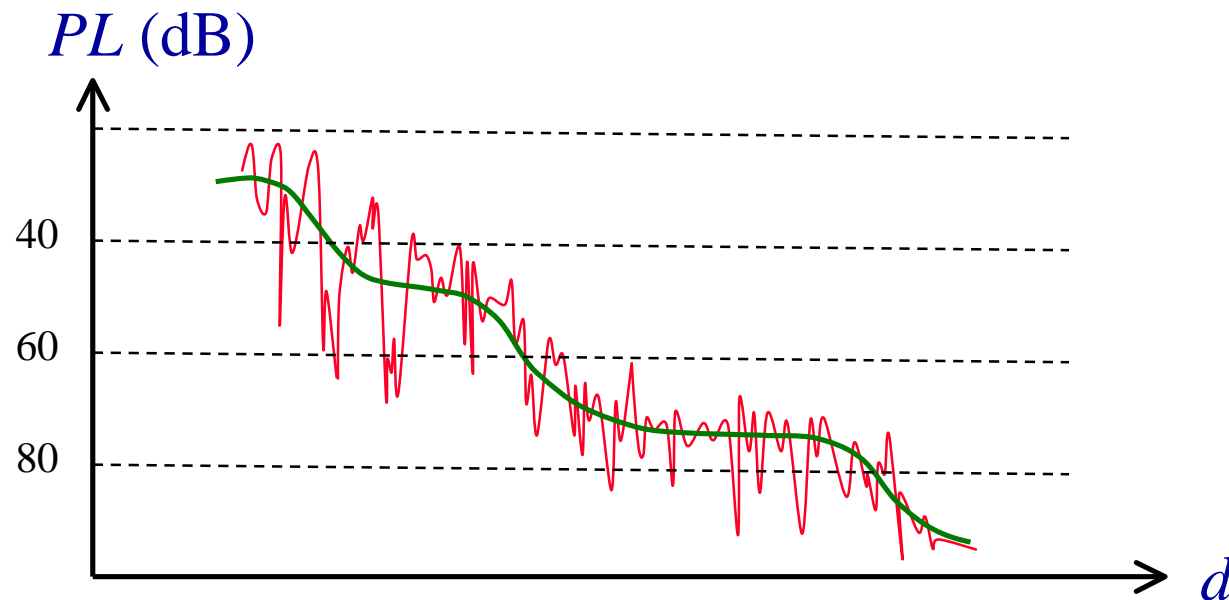
**SMALL SCALE: short-term variations
in position and time**

$$dx \approx \lambda$$

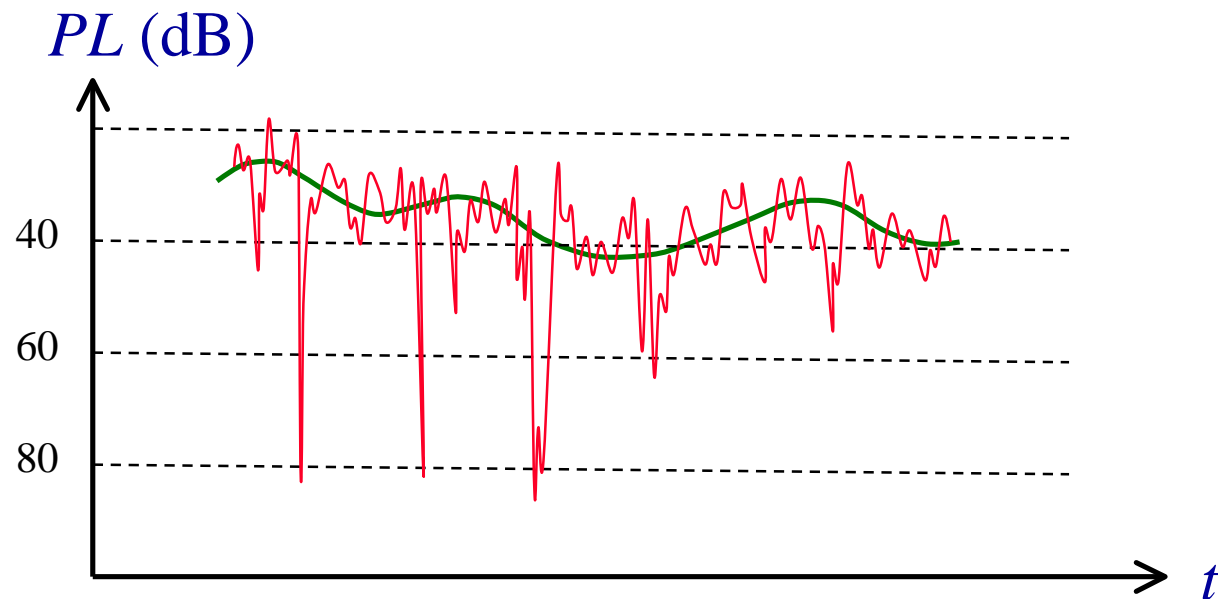
$$dt \approx T_s$$



Large-scale/small scale variations space



Large-scale/small scale variations time



Free-space propagation

- P :** power
 G : antenna gain
 d : separation distance
 L : system loss

$$P_R(d) = \frac{P_T \cdot G_T \cdot G_R \cdot \lambda^2}{(4\pi)^2 \cdot d^2 \cdot L}$$



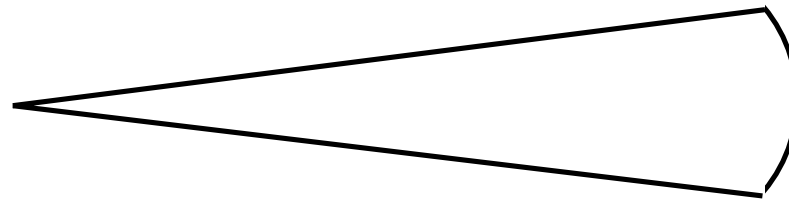
Antenna gain

- isotropic: $G=1$
- directional: $G(\theta)$

$$G = \frac{4\pi A_e}{\lambda^2}$$

EIRP: effective isotropic radiated power

(received power as if received from isotropic source)



$$EIRP = G_T \cdot P_T$$



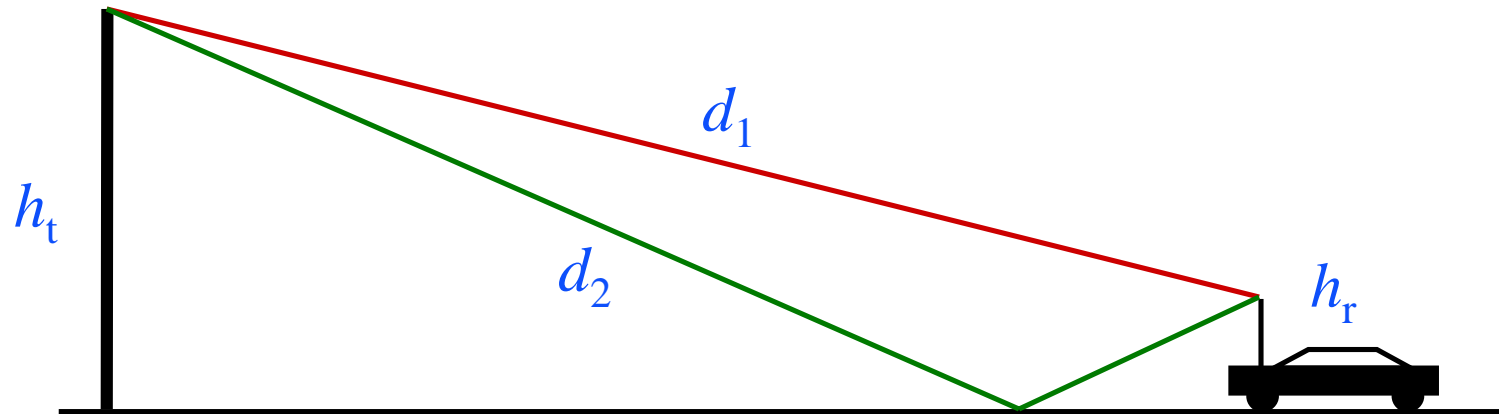
Free-space path loss

$$\begin{aligned} PL &= 10 \log \frac{P_T}{P_R} \\ &= 20 \log \frac{4\pi}{\lambda} + 20 \log d \\ &= PL(d_0) + 20 \log \frac{d}{d_0} \end{aligned}$$

attenuation 20 dB/dec



Ground wave reflection



$$E_{tot} = \frac{\alpha}{d_1} \cos(\omega_c t) + \Gamma \frac{\alpha}{d_2} \cos(\omega_c t + \Delta\theta)$$



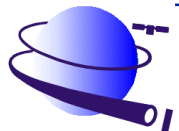
Ground wave reflection

$$\Delta = d_2 - d_1$$

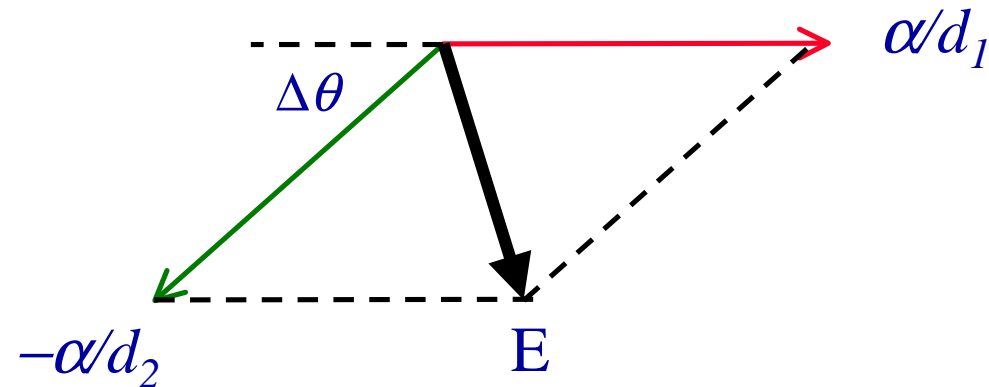
$$= \sqrt{d^2 + (h_t + h_r)^2} - \sqrt{d^2 + (h_t - h_r)^2}$$

$$\approx \frac{2h_t h_r}{d} \quad d \gg h$$

$$\Delta\theta \approx \frac{4\pi h_t h_r}{\lambda d}$$



Ground wave reflection



$$\begin{aligned} E^2 &= \left(\frac{\alpha}{d}\right)^2 \left\{ (1 - \cos \Delta\theta)^2 + \sin^2 \Delta\theta \right\} \\ &= \left(\frac{\alpha}{d}\right)^2 (2 - 2 \cos 2\Delta\theta) \approx \left(\frac{\alpha}{d}\right)^2 (\Delta\theta)^2 \end{aligned}$$



Ground wave reflection

$$E \approx \left(\frac{\alpha}{d} \right) \frac{4\pi h_t h_r}{\lambda d}$$

$$P_r = |E|^2 \frac{A_e}{120\pi} \approx \beta \frac{(h_t h_r)^2}{d^4}$$

$$A_e \approx G \frac{\lambda^2}{4\pi}$$

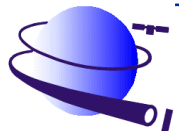


Two-ray path loss model

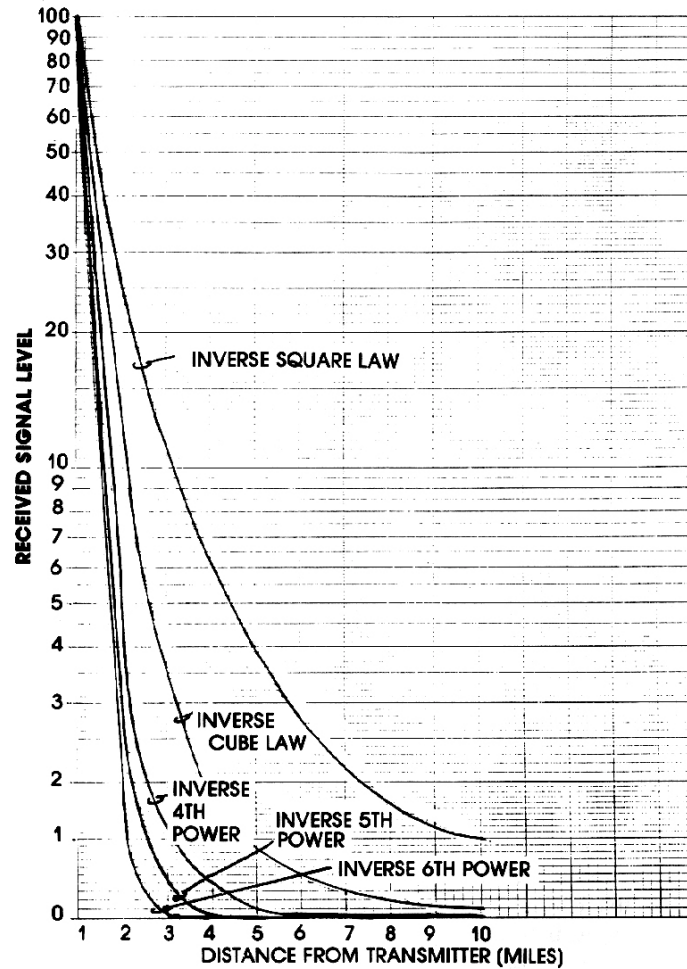
$$PL = 40 \log d -$$

$$(10 \log G_t + 10 \log G_r + 20 \log h_t + 20 \log h_r)$$

attenuation 40 dB/dec



Path loss exponent



Log-distance path loss model

$$\overline{PL} = PL(d_0) + 10n \log \frac{d}{d_0}$$

d : T-R distance

d_0 : close-in reference distance

n : path loss exponent ranging from 1 to 6



Okumura path loss model

$$L_{50} = L_F + A_{mu}(f, d) - G(h_t) - G(h_r) - G_{AREA}$$

$$G(h_t) = 20 \log\left(\frac{h_t}{200}\right) \quad 10\text{m} < h_t < 1000\text{m}$$

$$G(h_r) = 10 \log\left(\frac{h_r}{3}\right) \quad h_r < 3\text{m}$$

$$G(h_r) = 20 \log\left(\frac{h_r}{3}\right) \quad 3\text{m} < h_r < 10\text{m}$$

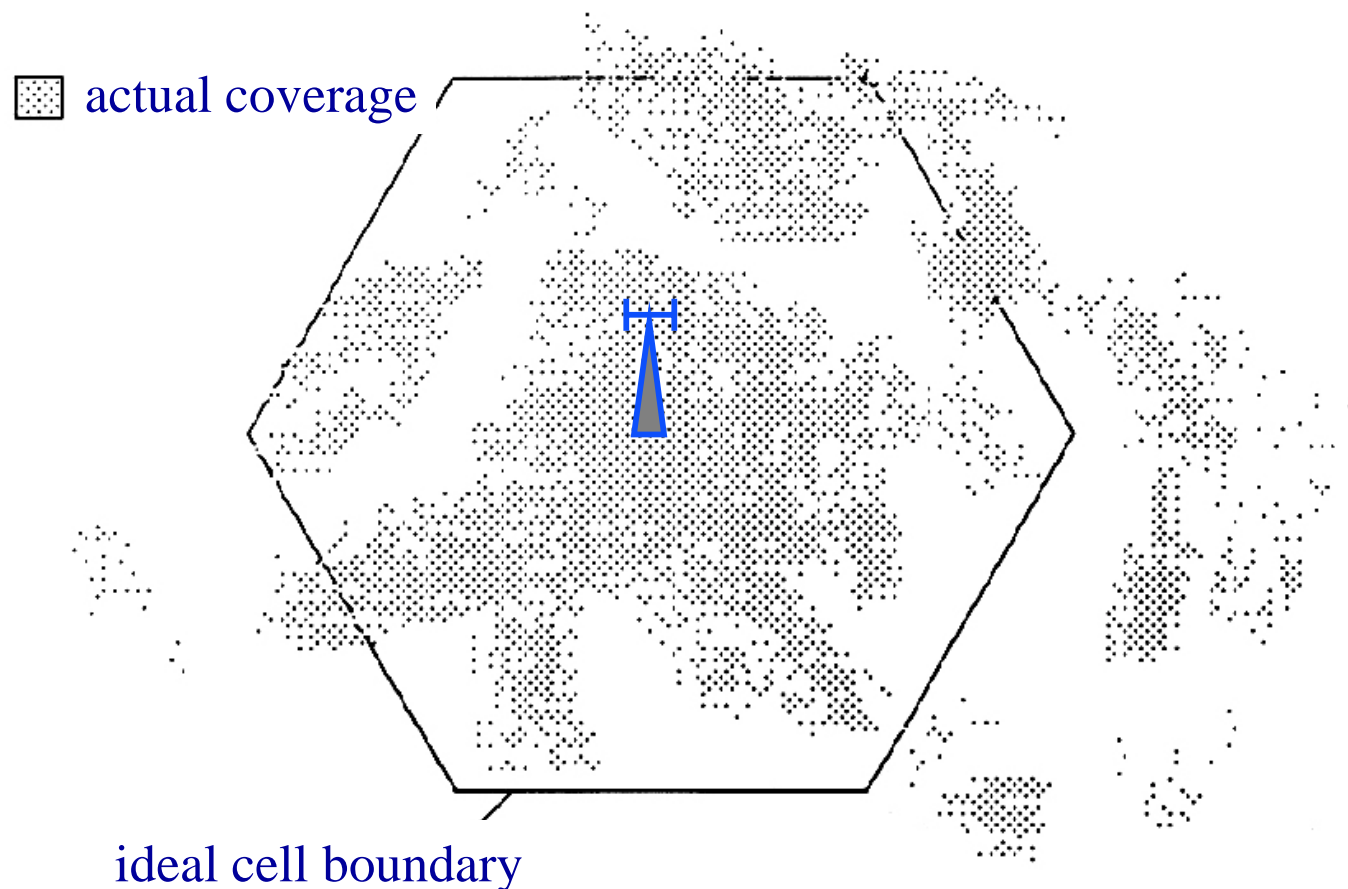


Hata path loss model

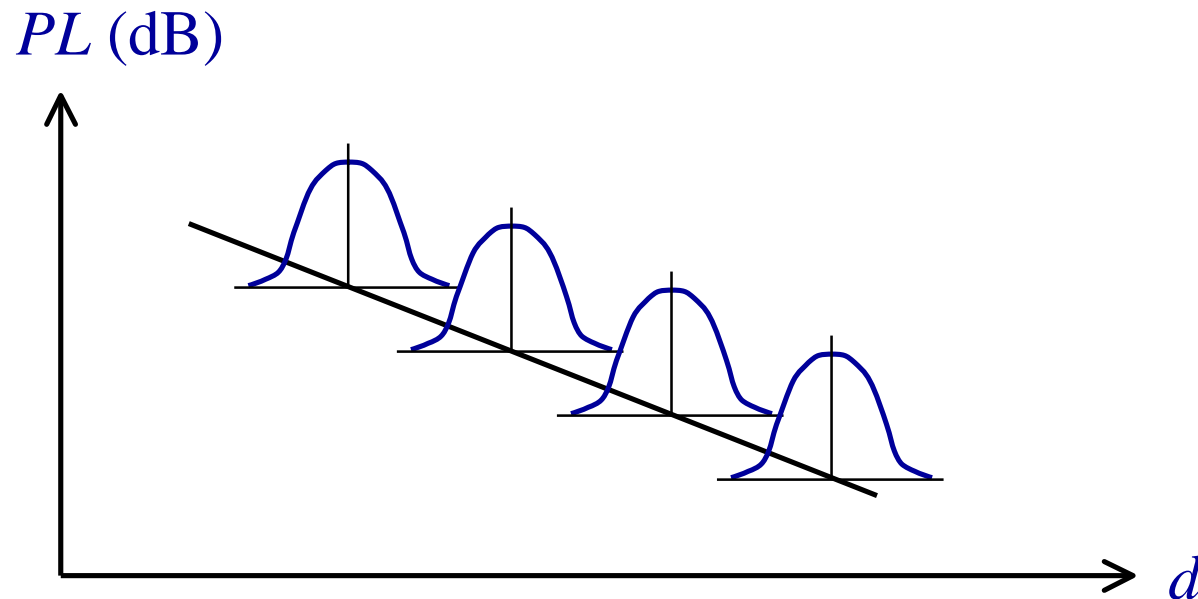
$$L_{50} = 69.55 + 26.16 \log f_c - 13.82 \log h_t - a(h_r) \\ + (44.9 - 6.55 \log h_t) \log d + C(f_c)$$



Coverage area



Log-normal shadowing



$$PL = \overline{PL}(d) + X_\sigma$$



Log-normal shadowing

$$X = N(0, \sigma)$$

zero-mean Gaussian with standard dev. σ

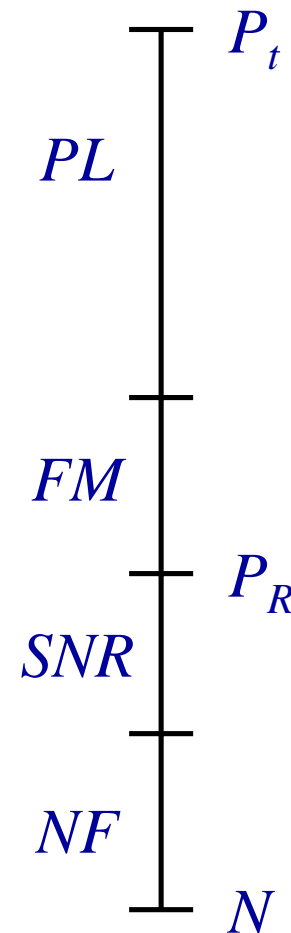
outdoor: $\sigma=6-9\text{dB}$

indoor: $\sigma=2-12\text{dB}$

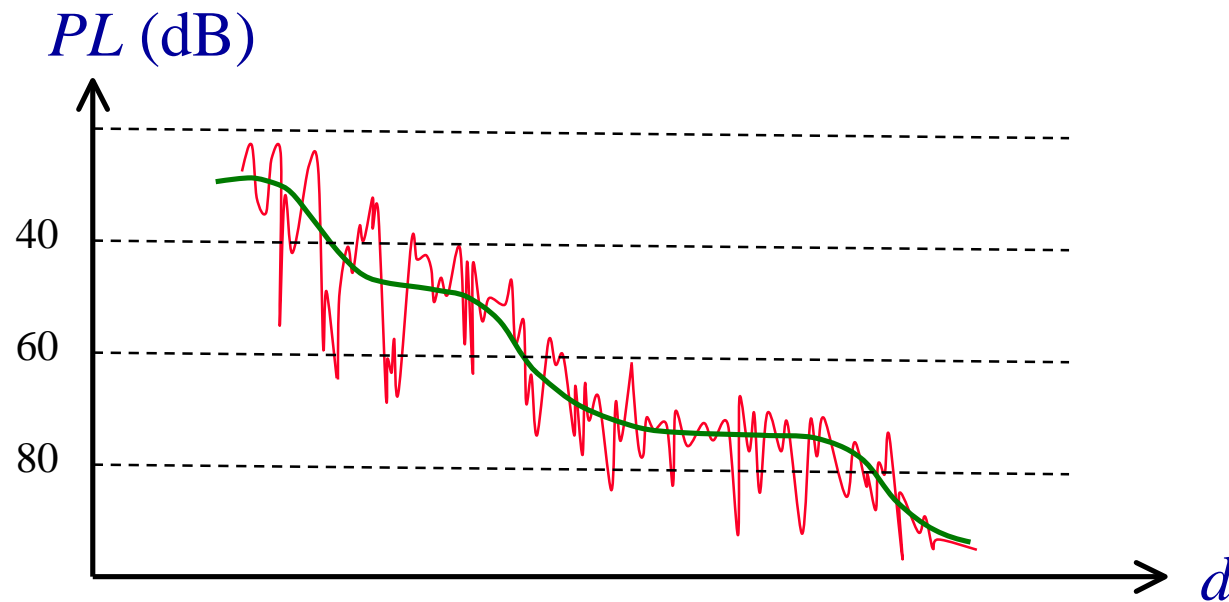


Link budget

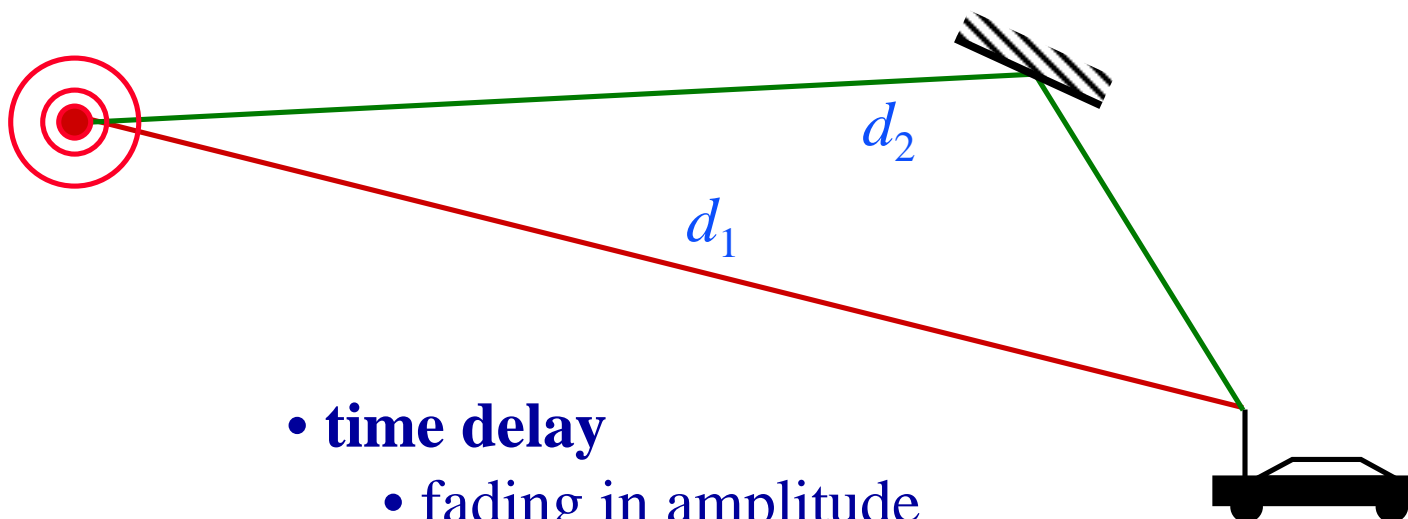
- P_t : permitted transmit power
 P_r : required receive power
 PL : path loss
 N : noise floor
 NF : noise factor
 FM : fading margin
 SNR : required signal-to-noise ratio



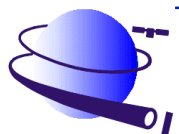
Multipath fading



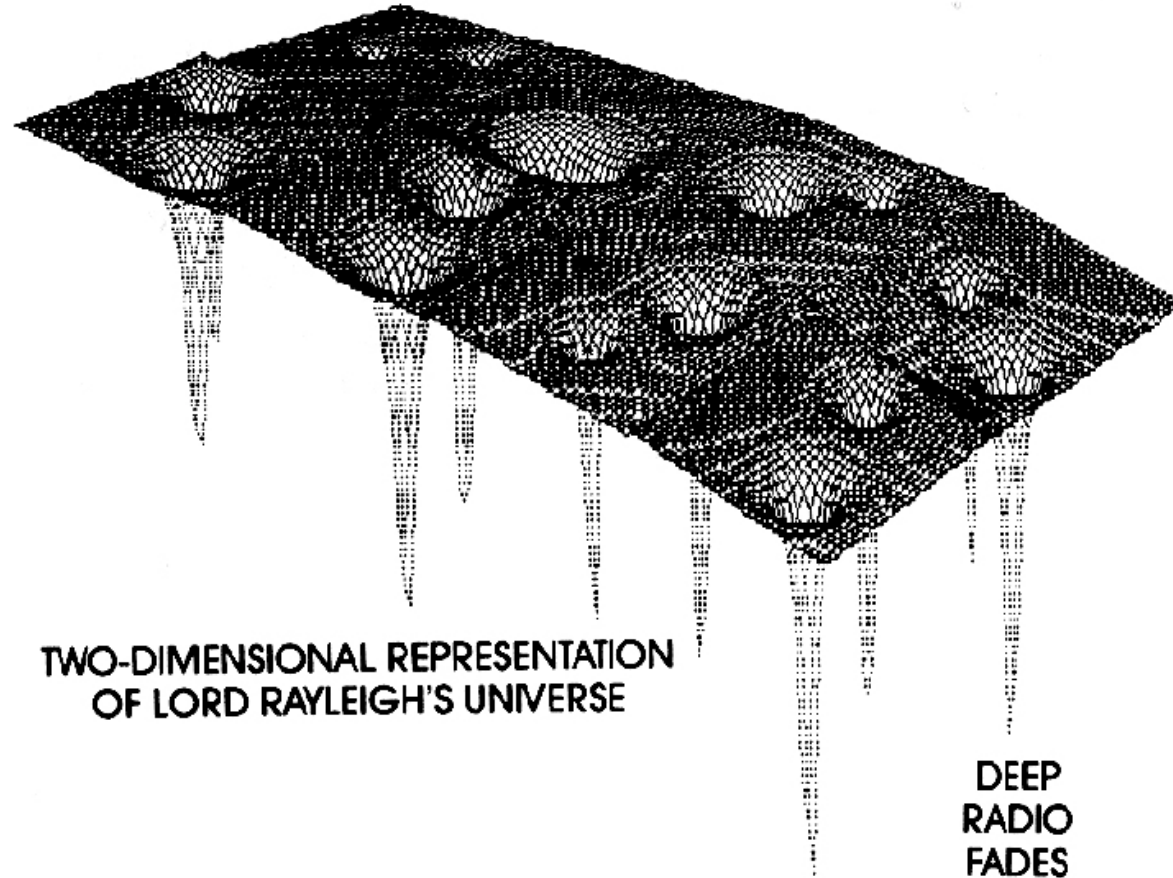
Multipath effects



- **time delay**
 - fading in amplitude
 - dispersion (echoes)
- **Doppler spread**
 - speed
 - angle of arrival



Delay space phenomenon



Fading

$$\Delta d \approx \lambda$$

$$\Delta \tau \approx \frac{\lambda}{c} = \frac{1}{f_c}$$

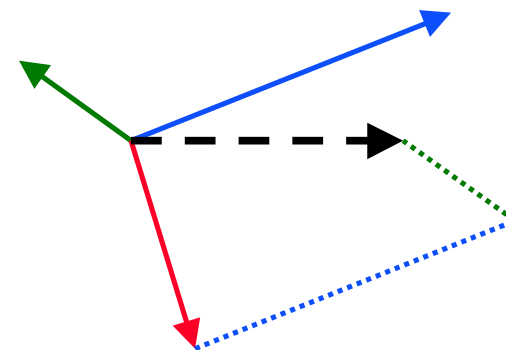
$$\Delta \theta \approx \pi$$

RF waves

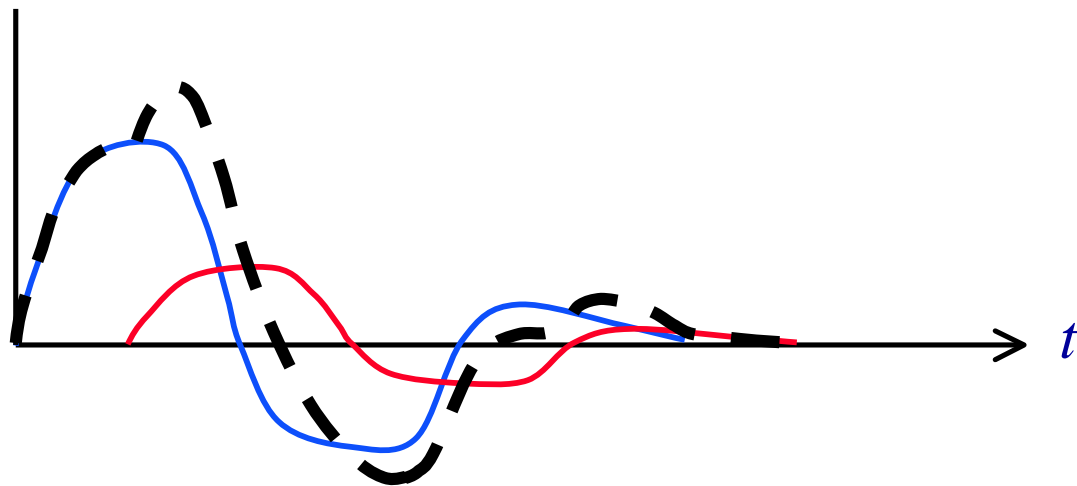
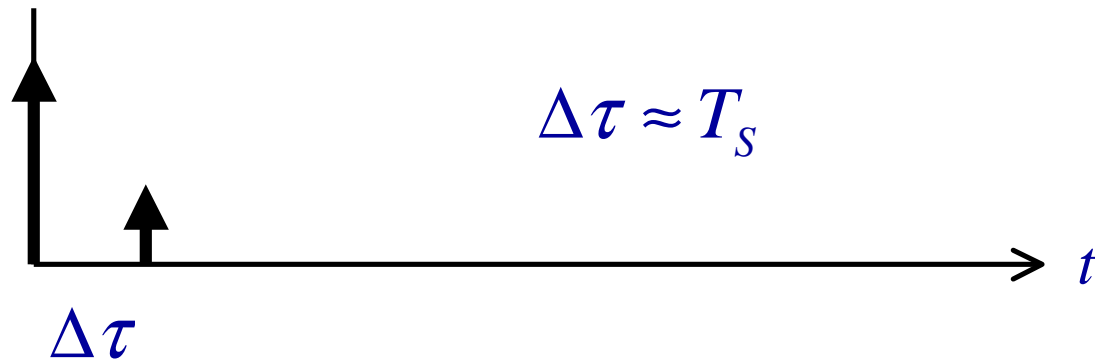
$$s_1 = r_1 \cos \theta_1$$

$$s_2 = r_2 \cos \theta_2$$

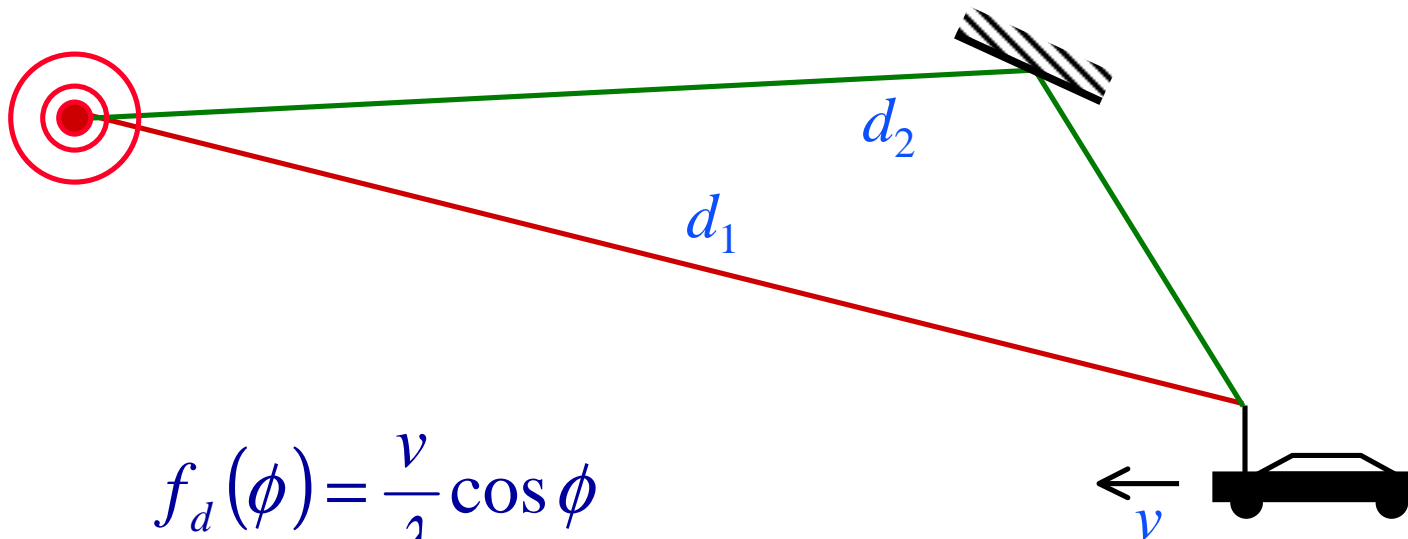
$$s_3 = r_3 \cos \theta_3$$



Time dispersion



Doppler spread

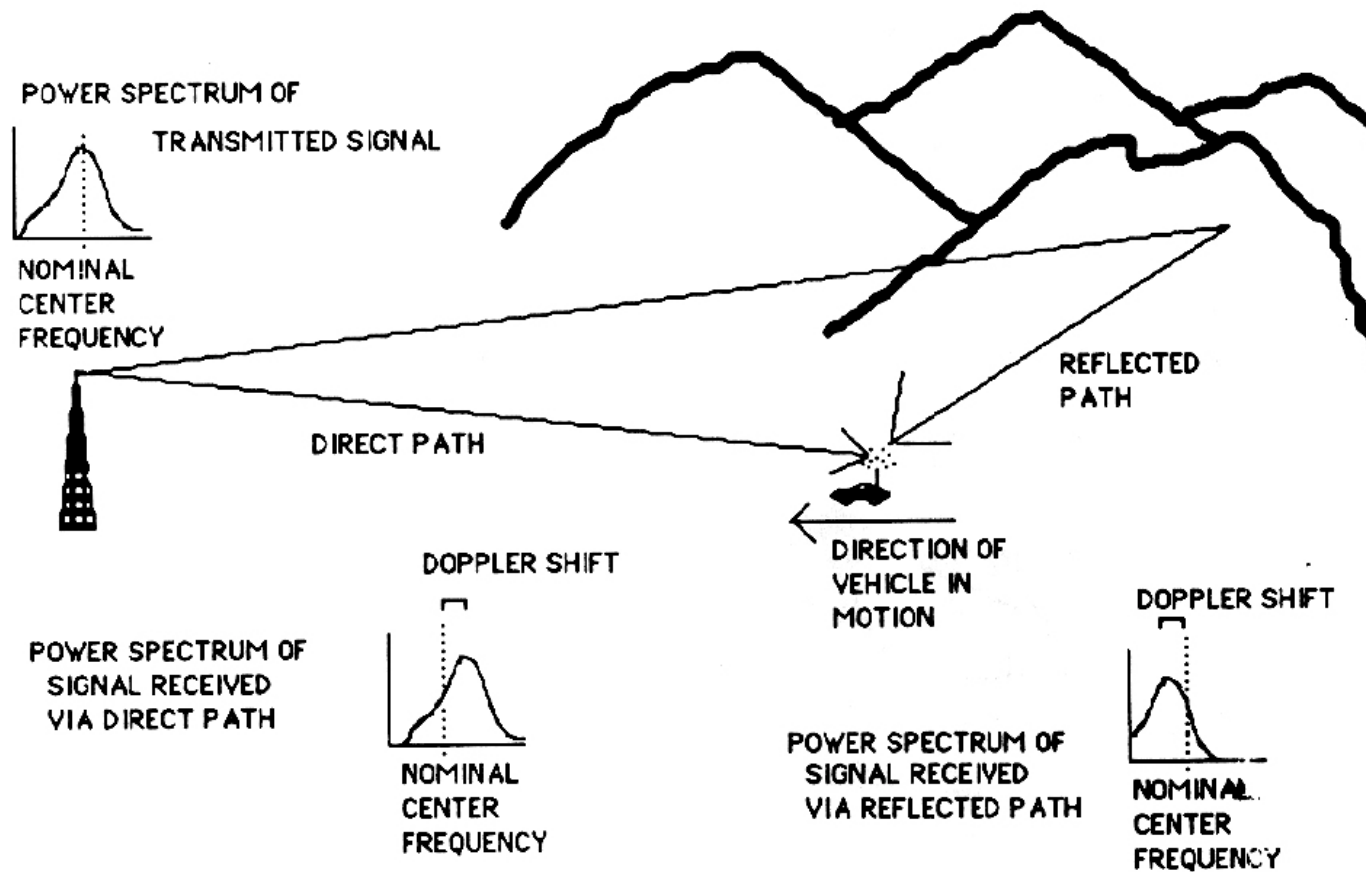


$$f_d(\phi) = \frac{v}{\lambda} \cos \phi$$

$$0 \leq \phi \leq \pi \Rightarrow -\frac{v}{\lambda} \leq f_d \leq \frac{v}{\lambda}$$



Doppler shifts

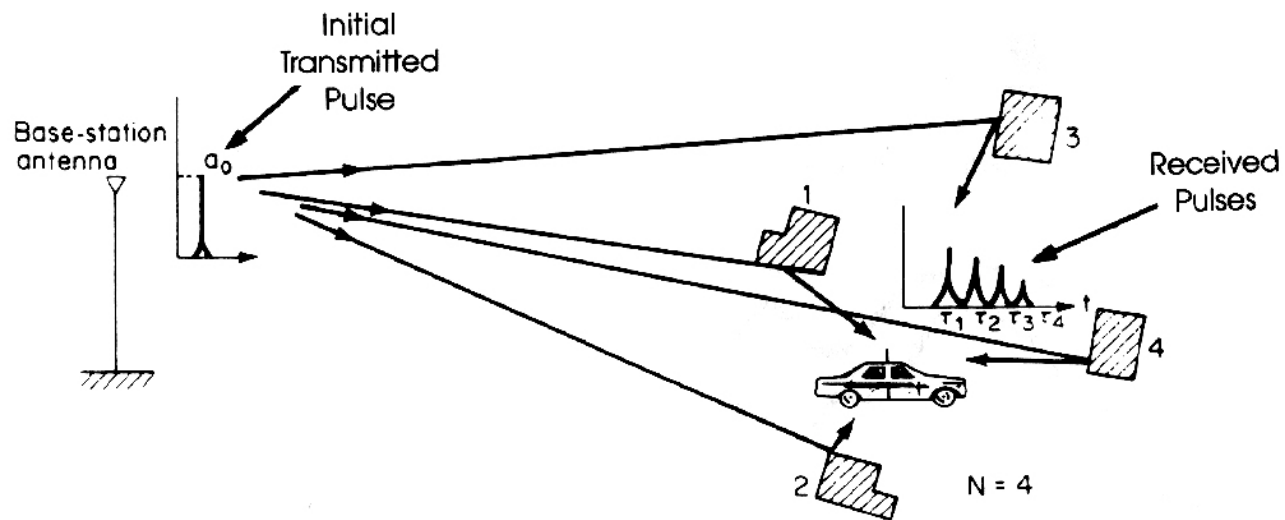


Doppler spread

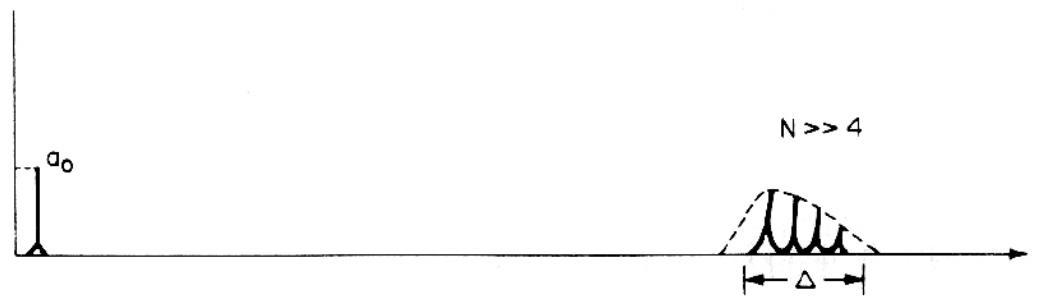
v (km/h)	f_c (MHz)	f_d (Hz)
50	900	40
100	900	80
50	2010	90
100	2010	180



Delay profile

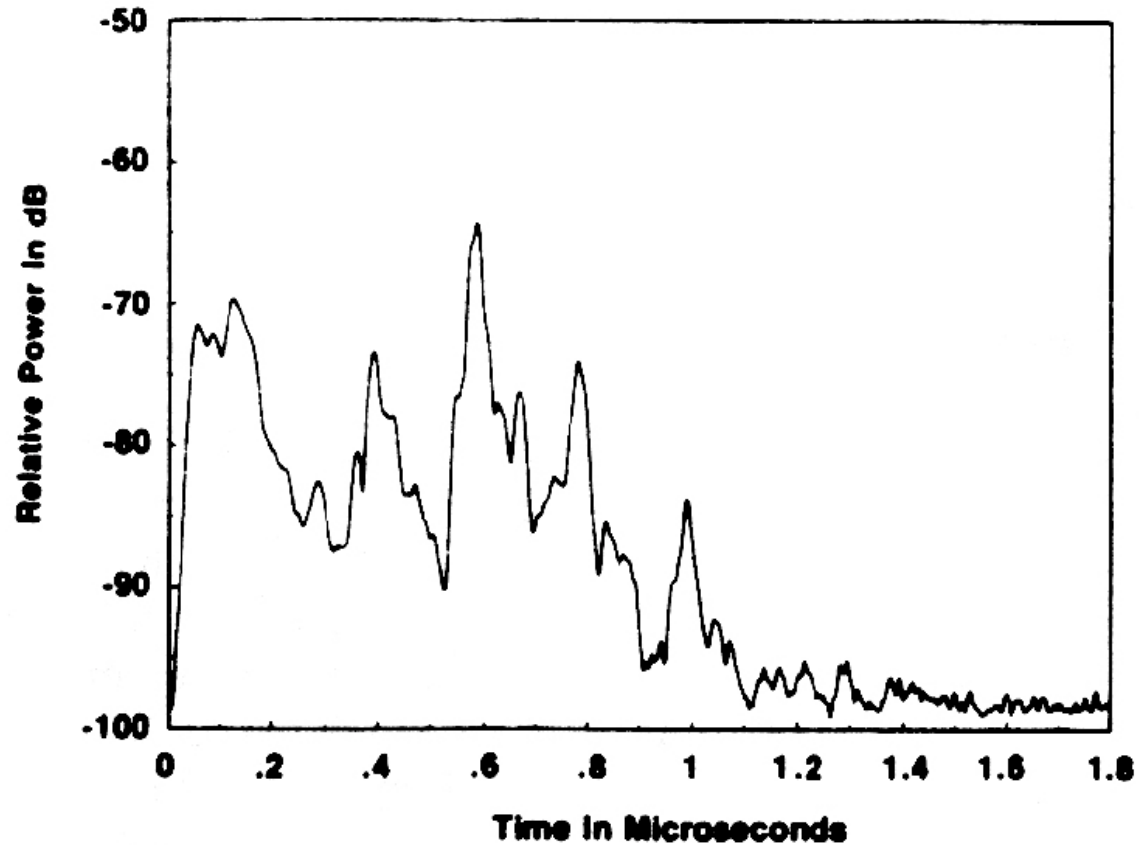


(a)



(b)

Measured delay profile



Impulse response model

time-variant, linear system: $h(t, \tau)$

t : time variant due to motion (ms to s)

τ : time dispersion (ns to μ s)

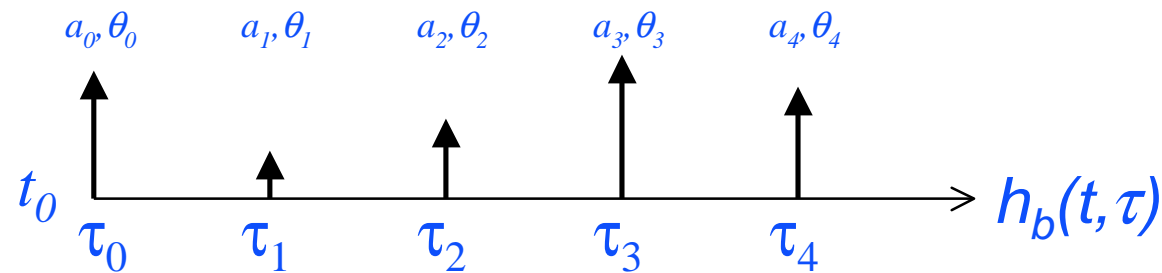
filter representation:

$$y(t) = x(t) * h(t, \tau)$$



FIR representation

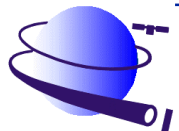
$$h_b(t, \tau) = \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} a_i(t) \exp\{-j\theta_i(t)\} \delta(\tau - \tau_i)$$



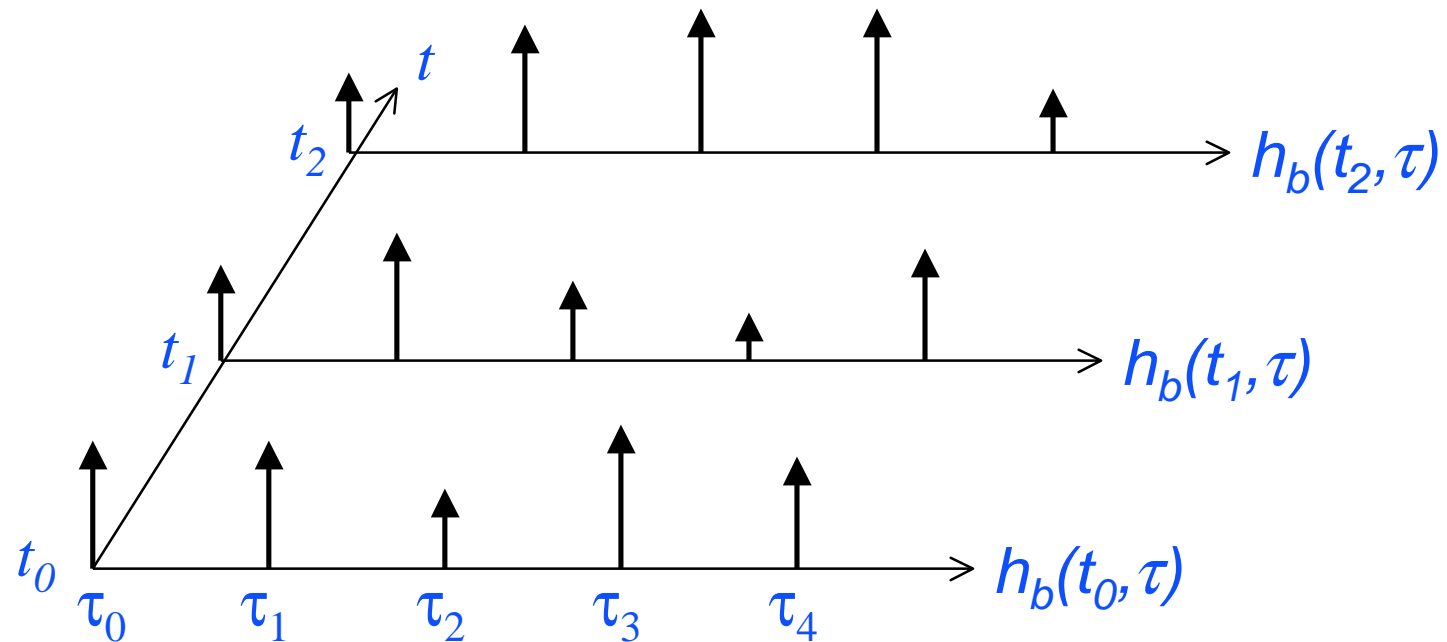
$$\text{BW}_{\text{signal}} < 1/(2\Delta\tau)$$

τ_0 : excess delay reference

$N\Delta\tau$: maximum excess delay



FIR representation



Power delay profile

$$|h_b(t, \tau)|^2$$

- measured in local area
- spatial averaging (2-6m)



Time dispersion parameters

$$\bar{\tau} = \frac{\sum_k P(\tau_k) \tau_k}{\sum_k P(\tau_k)}$$

$$\overline{\tau^2} = \frac{\sum_k P(\tau_k) \tau_k^2}{\sum_k P(\tau_k)}$$

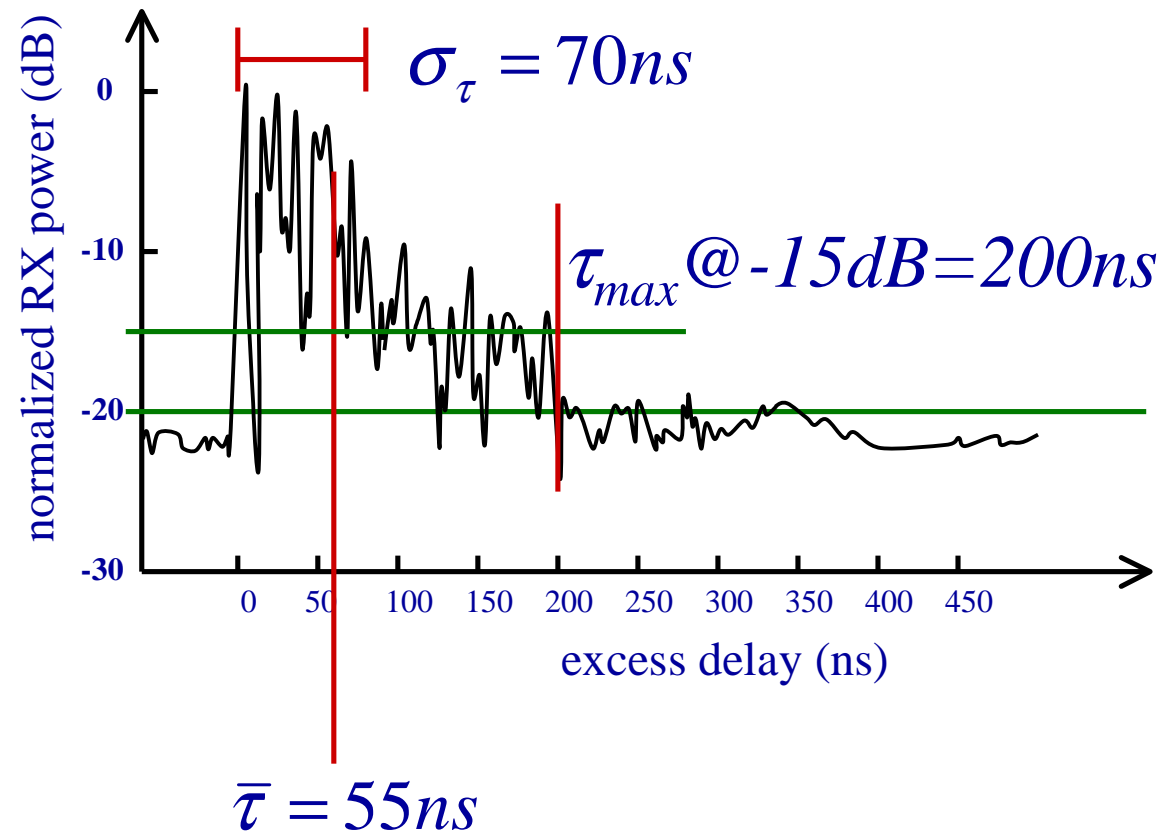
mean excess delay: $\bar{\tau}$

rms delay spread: $\sigma_\tau = \sqrt{\overline{\tau^2} - (\bar{\tau})^2}$

maximum excess delay: τ where $P \leq P_{\max}$



Time dispersion example



Time dispersion values

environment	f (MHz)	σ_τ
urban	900	10-25μs
suburban	900	200-300ns
indoor	1500	70-90ns



Coherence bandwidth

$$h(t, \tau) \leftrightarrow H(f)$$

B_c : Δf where frequencies become uncorrelated

corr. > 0.5

$$B_c \approx \frac{1}{5\sigma_\tau}$$

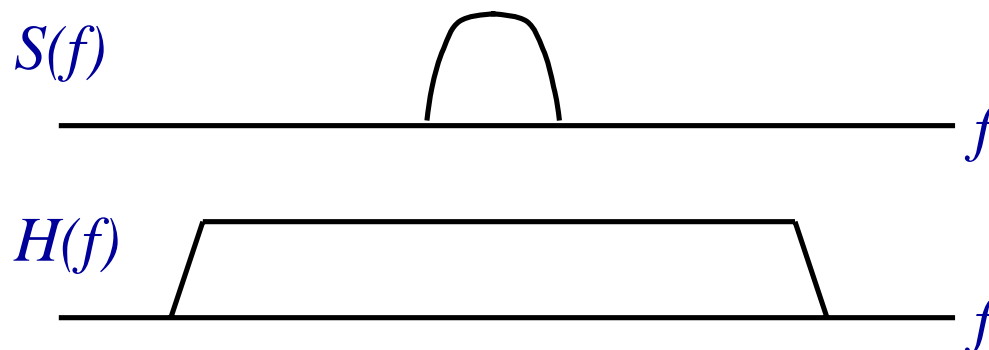


Flat fading

All frequency components fade identically.

$$B_s \ll B_c$$

$$T_s \gg \sigma_\tau$$

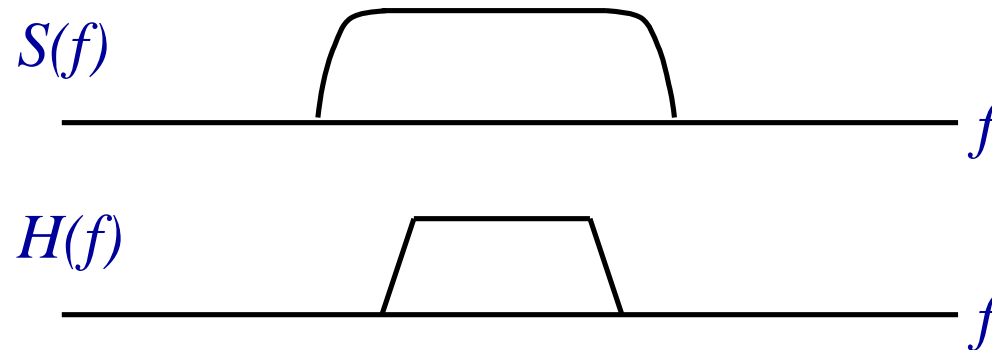


Frequency-selective fading

Different frequency components fade differently.

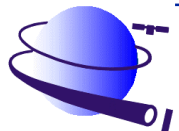
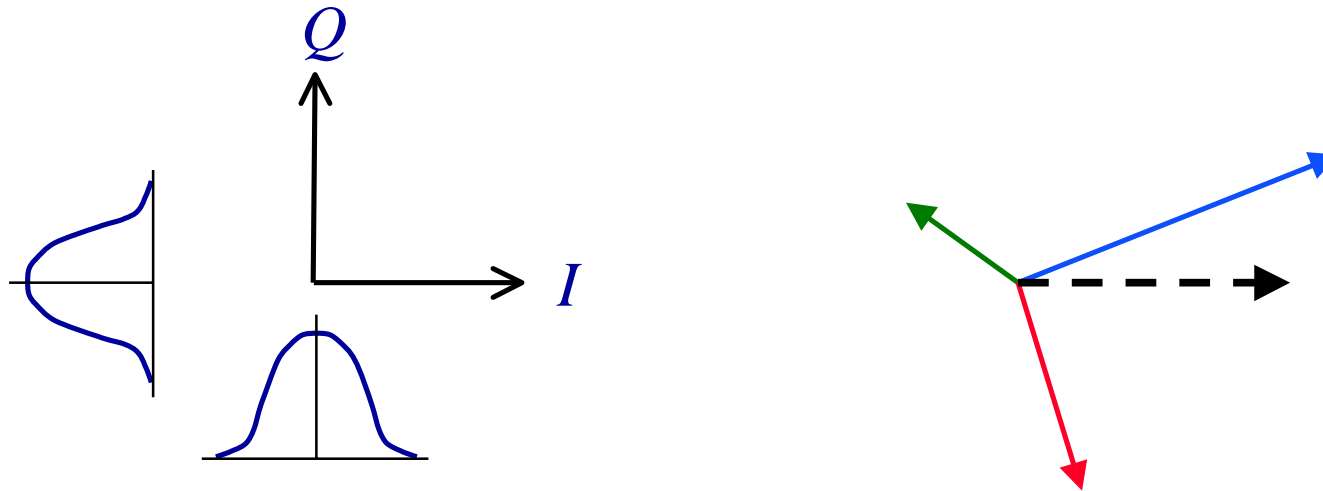
$$B_s > B_c$$

$$T_s < \sigma_\tau$$



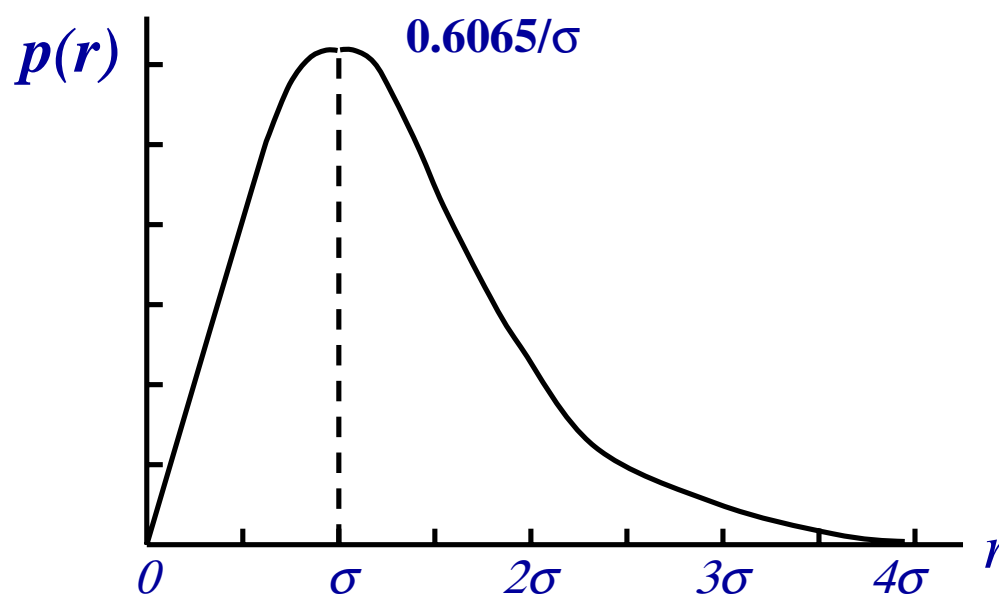
Rayleigh fading

- Amplitude fading
- N i.i.d. components: resultant Normally (Gaussian) distributed
- Gaussian distribution on I and Q gives Rayleigh on envelope



Rayleigh distribution

$$p(r) = \frac{r}{\sigma^2} \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \quad (r \geq 0)$$



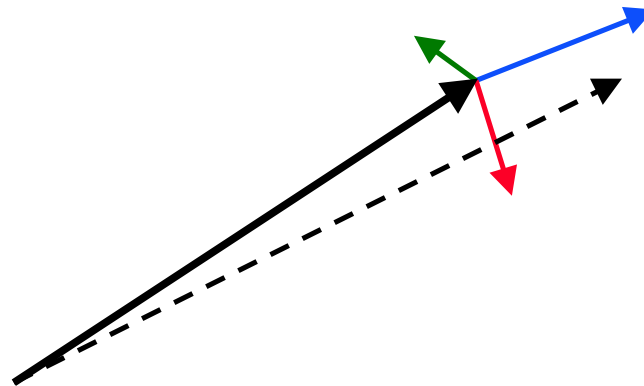
$$\bar{r} = 1.2533\sigma$$

$$\sigma_r^2 = 0.4292\sigma^2$$



Rician fading

- Amplitude fading
- One dominant component + N i.i.d. components: resultant Rician distributed



Rician distribution

$$p(r) = \frac{r}{\sigma^2} \exp\left(-\frac{r^2 + A^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) I_0\left(\frac{Ar}{\sigma^2}\right) \quad (A, r \geq 0)$$

A : amplitude of dominant component

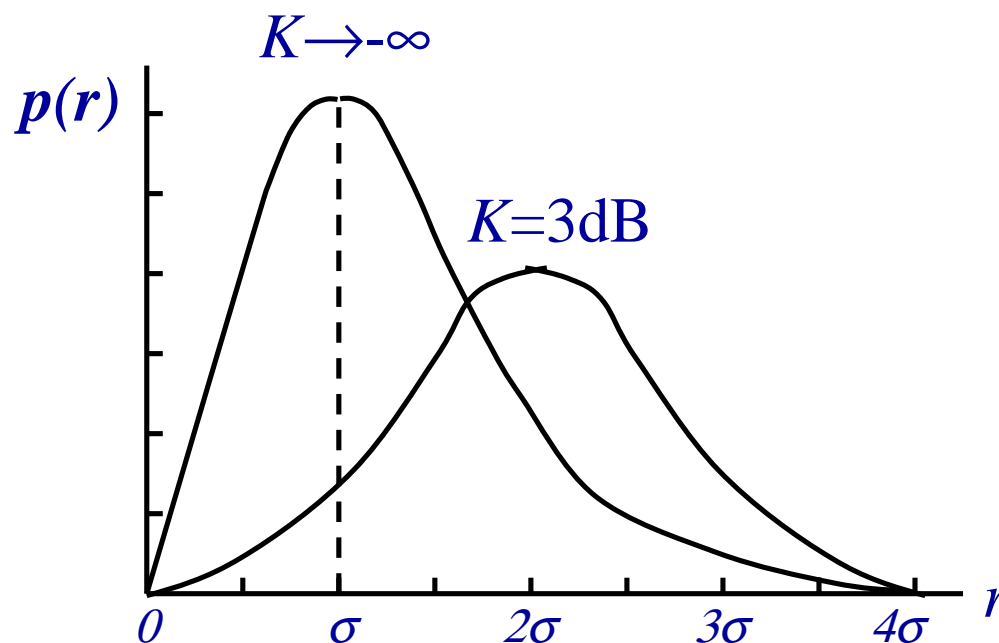
I_0 : zero-order Bessel function

Rician factor: $K = \frac{A^2}{2\sigma^2}$

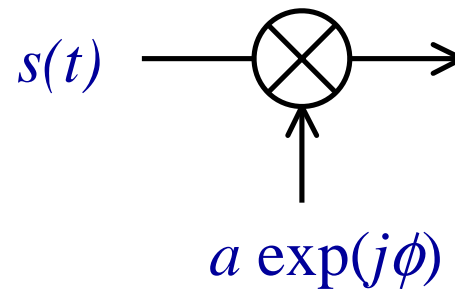
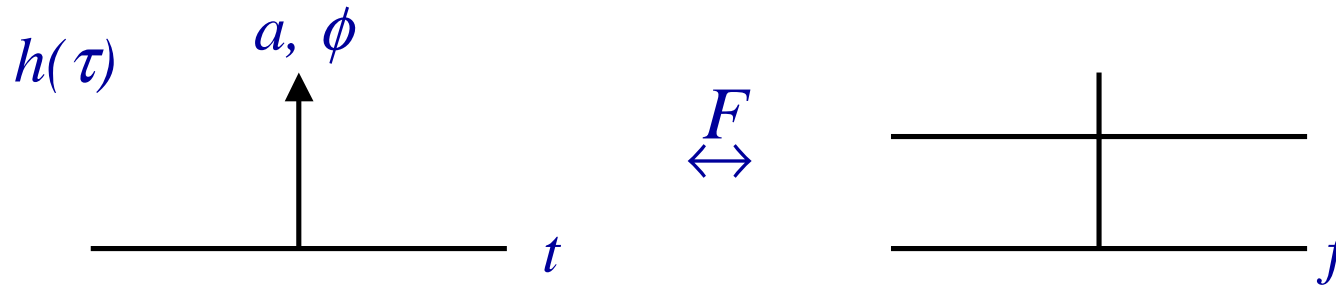


Rician distribution

$K \rightarrow -\infty$: approaching Rayleigh
 $K \rightarrow \infty$: approaching $N(A, \sigma)$



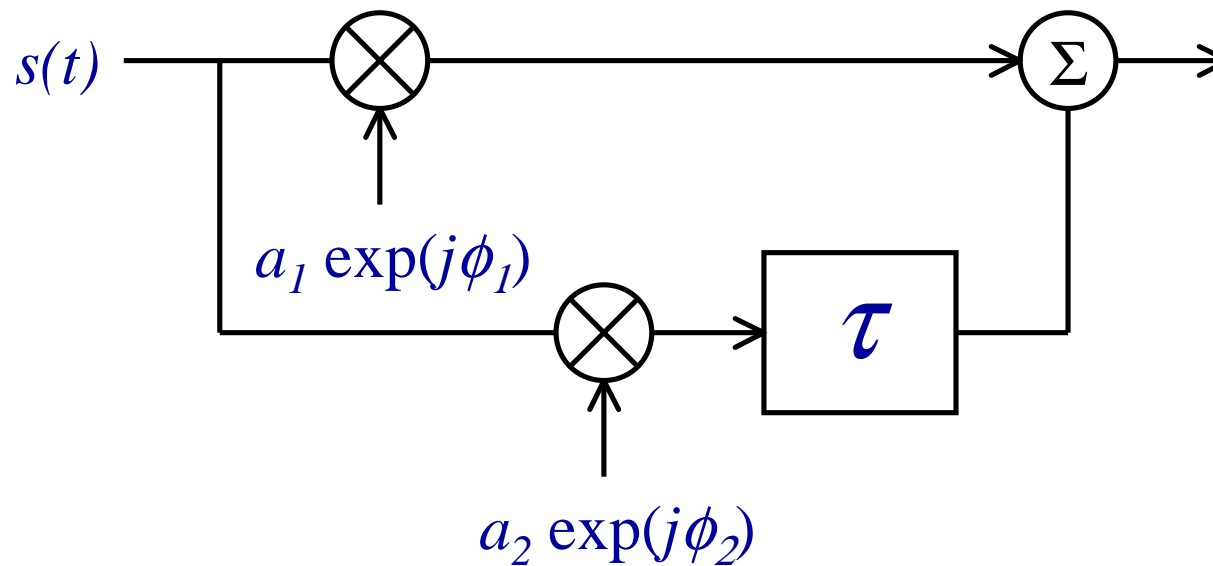
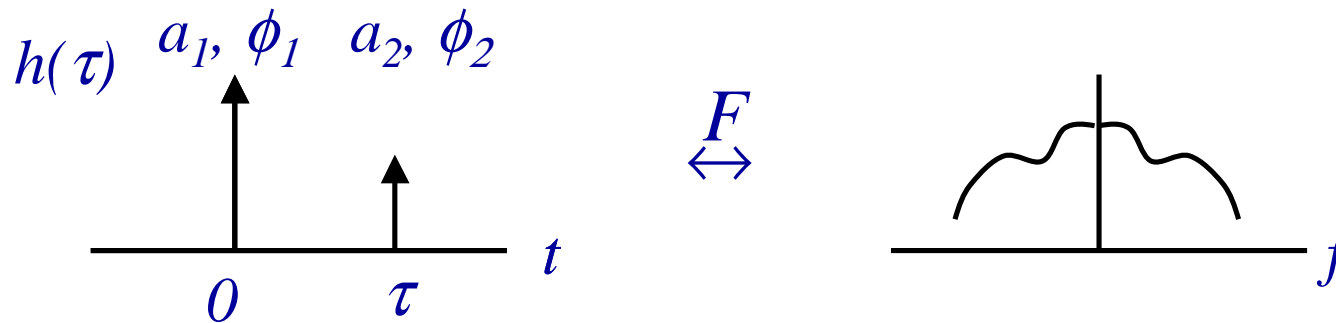
Modeling: flat fading



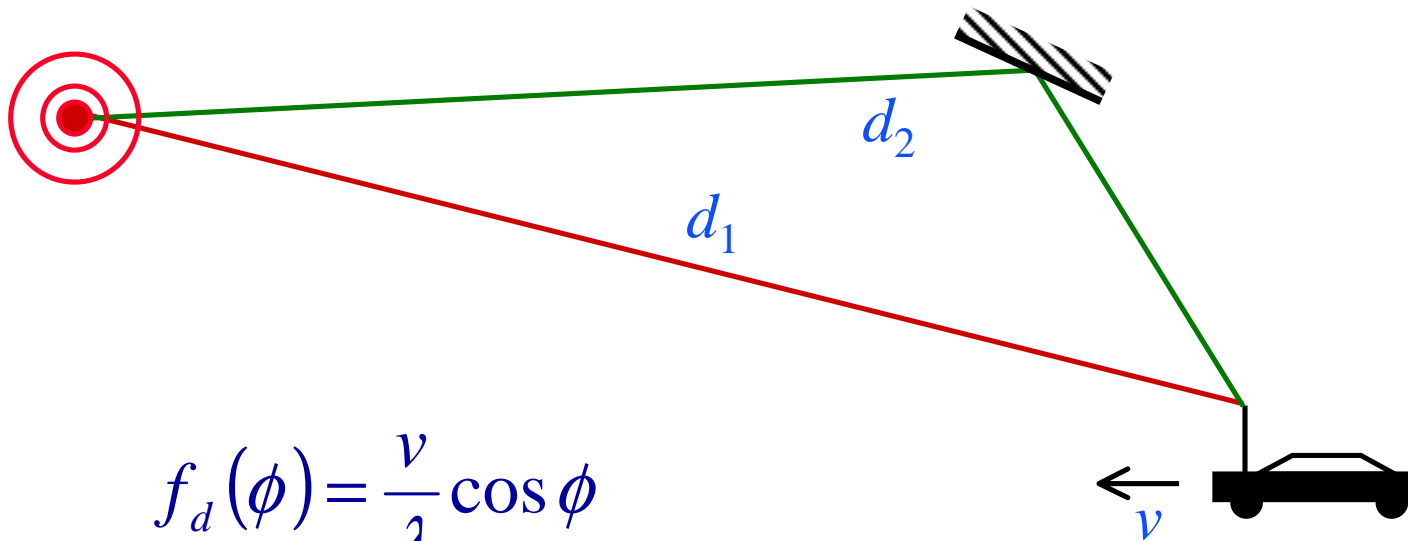
a : Rayleigh dist.
 ϕ : uniform $(0, 2\pi]$



Modeling: 2-ray fading



Doppler spread



$$f_d(\phi) = \frac{v}{\lambda} \cos \phi$$

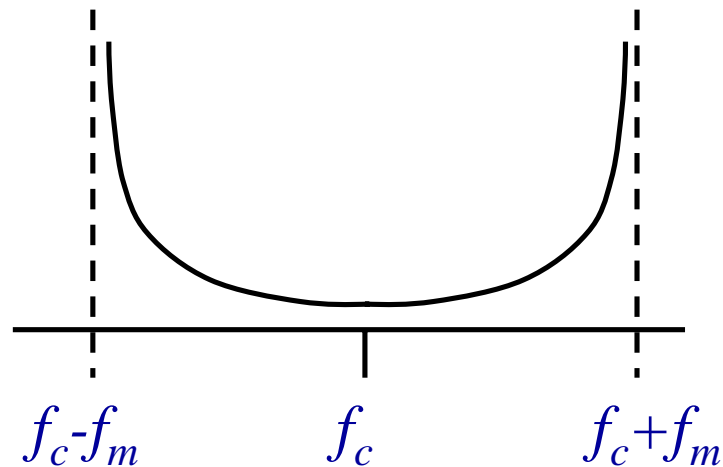
$$0 \leq \phi \leq \pi \Rightarrow -\frac{v}{\lambda} \leq f_d \leq \frac{v}{\lambda}$$



Doppler power spectrum

$$S_D(f) = \frac{\alpha}{f_m \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{f - f_c}{f_m} \right)^2}}$$

$$f_m = \frac{v}{\lambda}$$



Coherence time

$$S_D(f) \leftrightarrow h_D(t)$$

T_c : Δt where samples become uncorrelated

$$T_c \approx \frac{1}{2f_m}$$



Slow and fast fading

Fast fading:

$$B_s < B_D$$

$$T_s > T_c$$

Slow fading:

$$B_s \gg B_D$$

$$T_s \ll T_c$$



Slow/fast - flat/freq-sel. fading

Flat / frequency selective fading:

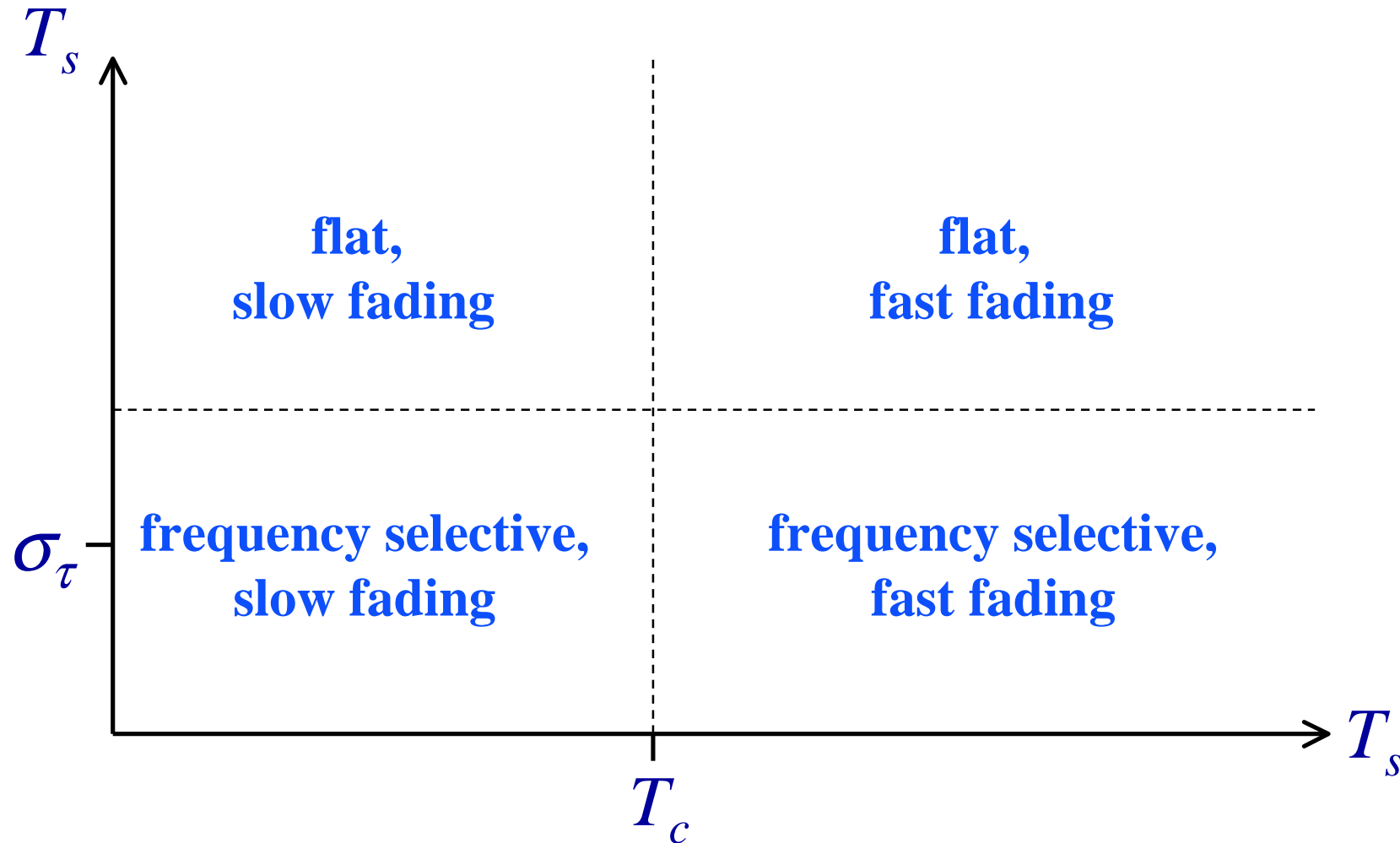
Echo pattern $h(t, \tau)$

Fast / slow fading:

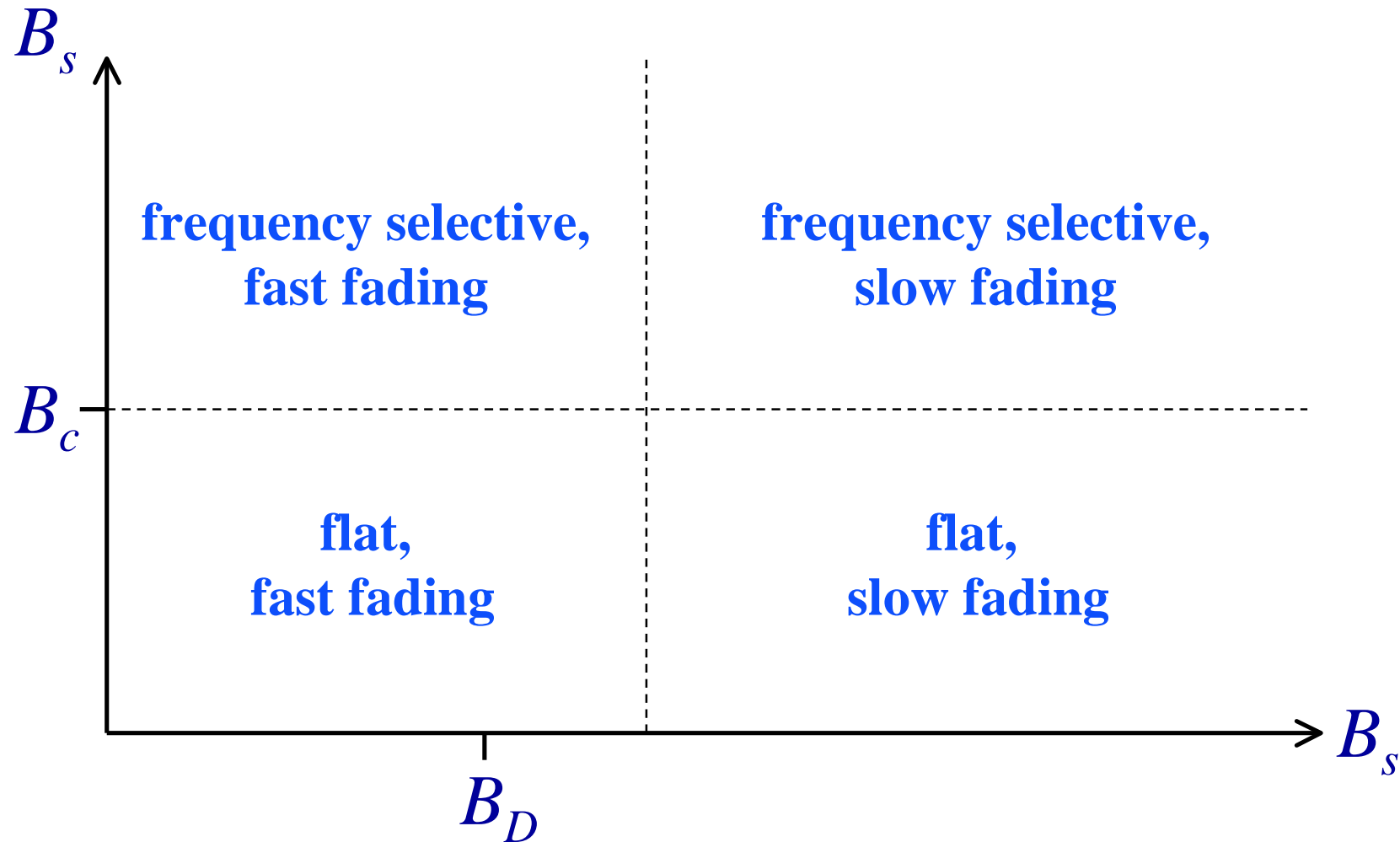
Motion effects $h(\mathbf{t}, \tau)$



Slow/fast - flat/freq-sel. fading

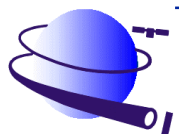


Slow/fast - flat/freq-sel. fading



Multipath time scales

- **Amplitude fading:** $dt \approx \frac{1}{f_c}$ (i.e. $dt=1\text{ns}$)
- **Time dispersion:** $dt \approx \frac{\Delta d}{c}$ (i.e. $dt=1\mu\text{s}$)
- **Doppler spread:** $dt \approx \frac{1}{f_d}$ (i.e. $dt=10\text{ms}$)



FOR NEXT WEEK

- **Read:**
Chapter 5: §5.1, 5.2 (not 5.2.2, 5.2.3), 5.3 (not 5.3.2, 5.3.3)
§5.4 - 5.9 (not 5.7.8)
- **Solve problems:**
Chapter 4: 4.2, 4.3, 4.5, 4.18, 4.21

