

Wrap Up

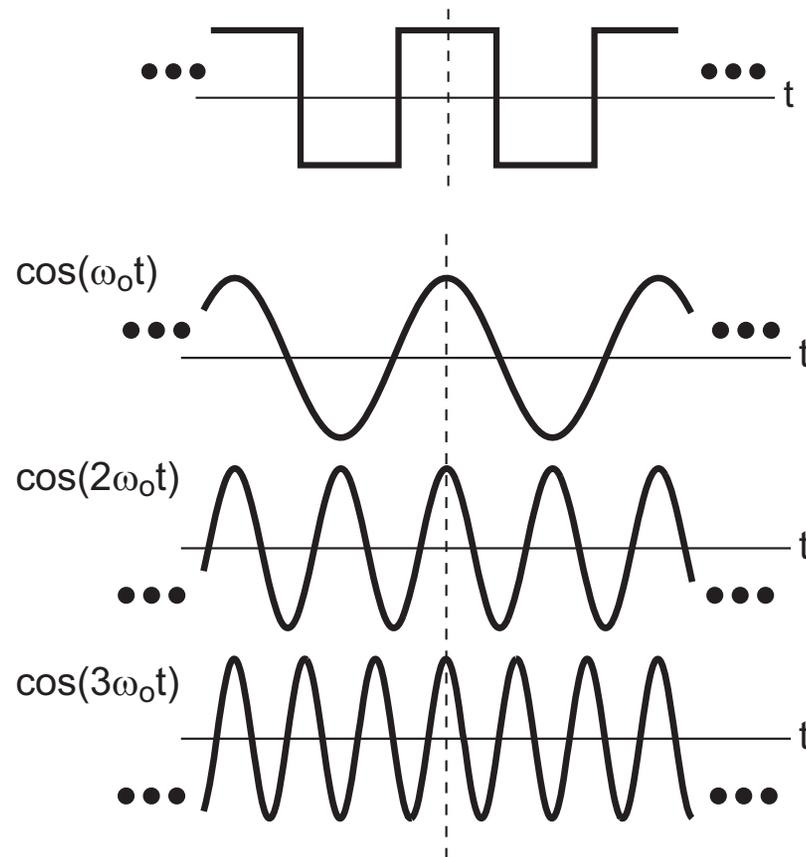
- **Fourier Transform**
- **Sampling, Modulation, Filtering**
- **Noise and the Digital Abstraction**
- **Binary signaling model and Shannon Capacity**

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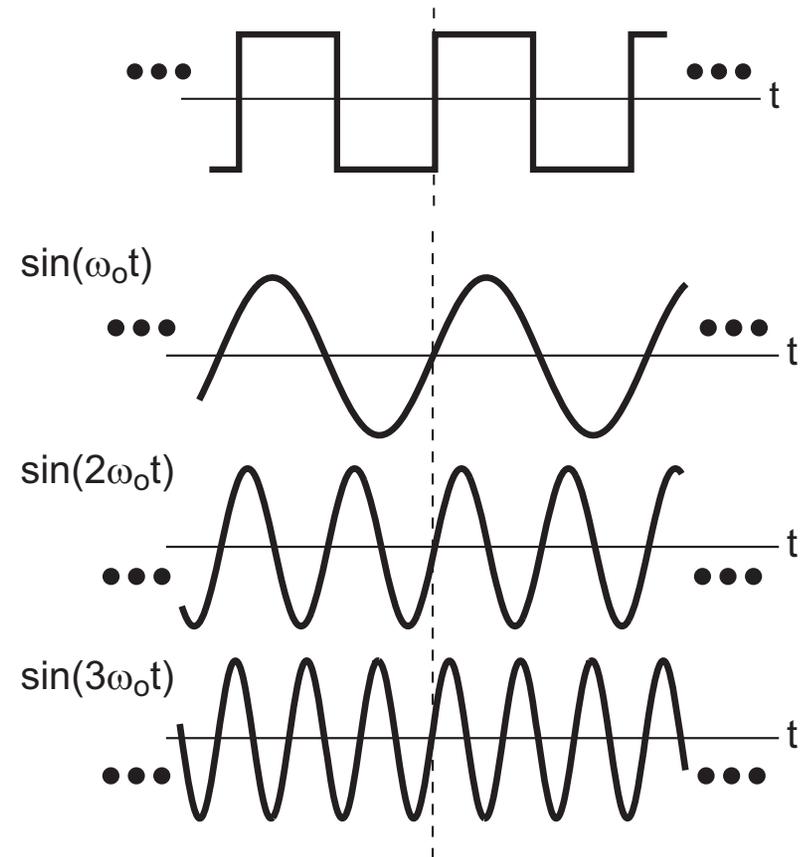
Cosines and Sines as Basis Functions

- Periodic functions can be approximated by the addition of weighted cosine and sine waveforms with progressively increasing frequency

Even Function



Odd Function



Fourier Series and Fourier Transform

- The Fourier Series deals with *periodic* signals

$$x(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{X}_n e^{jn\omega_0 t}$$

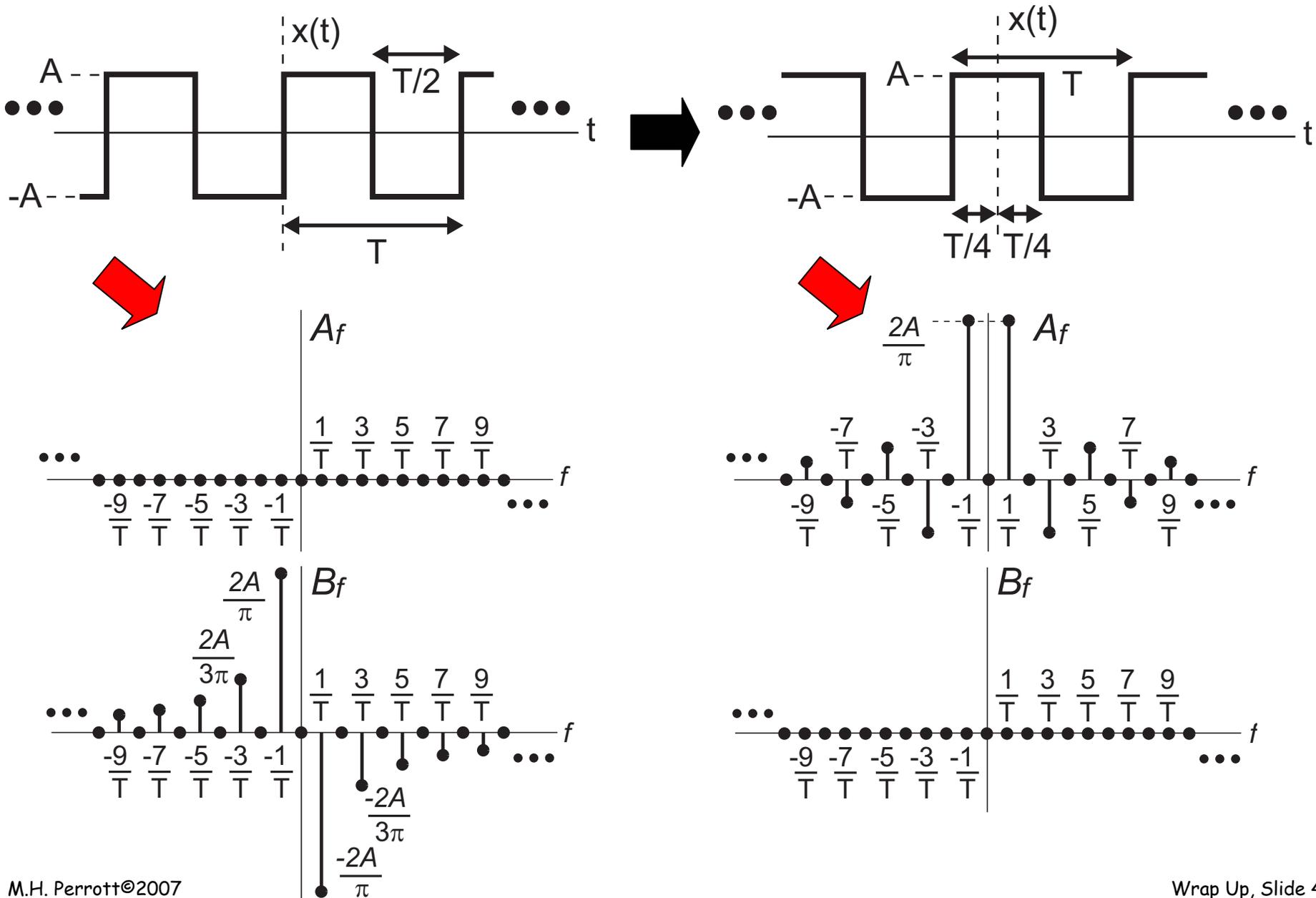
$$\hat{X}_n = \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} x(t) e^{-jn\omega_0 t} dt$$

- The Fourier Transform deals with *non-periodic* signals

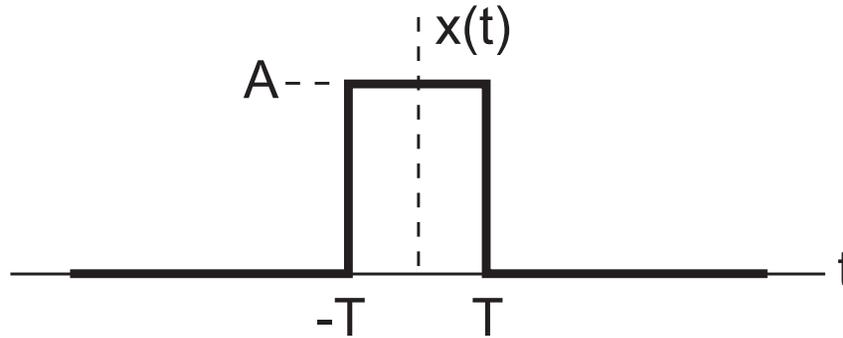
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Graphical View of Fourier Series



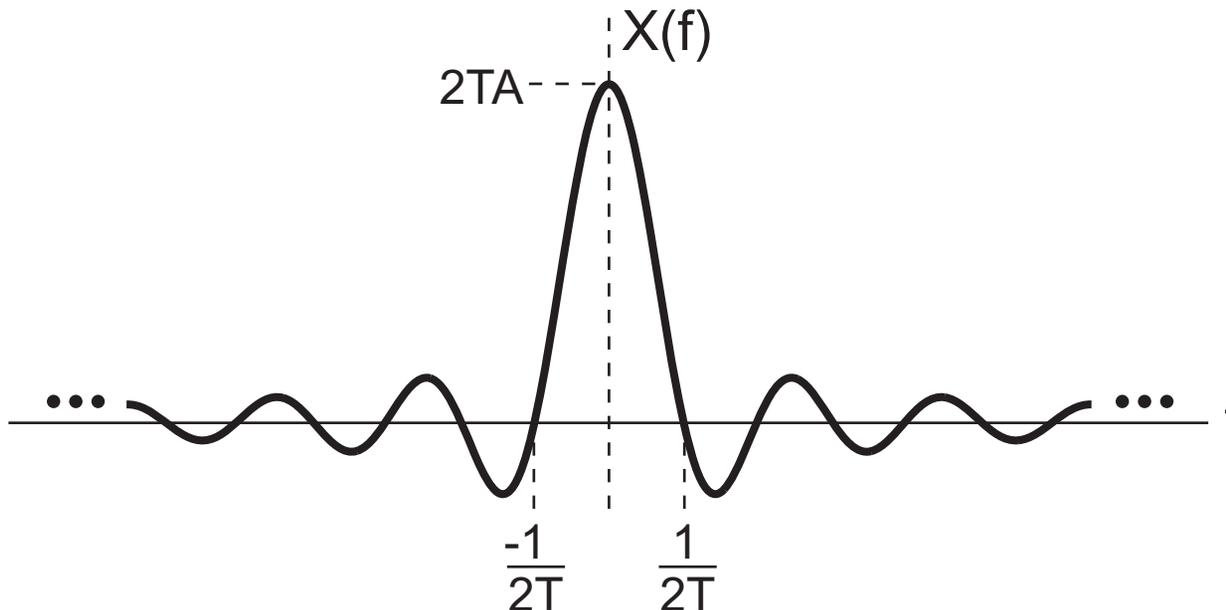
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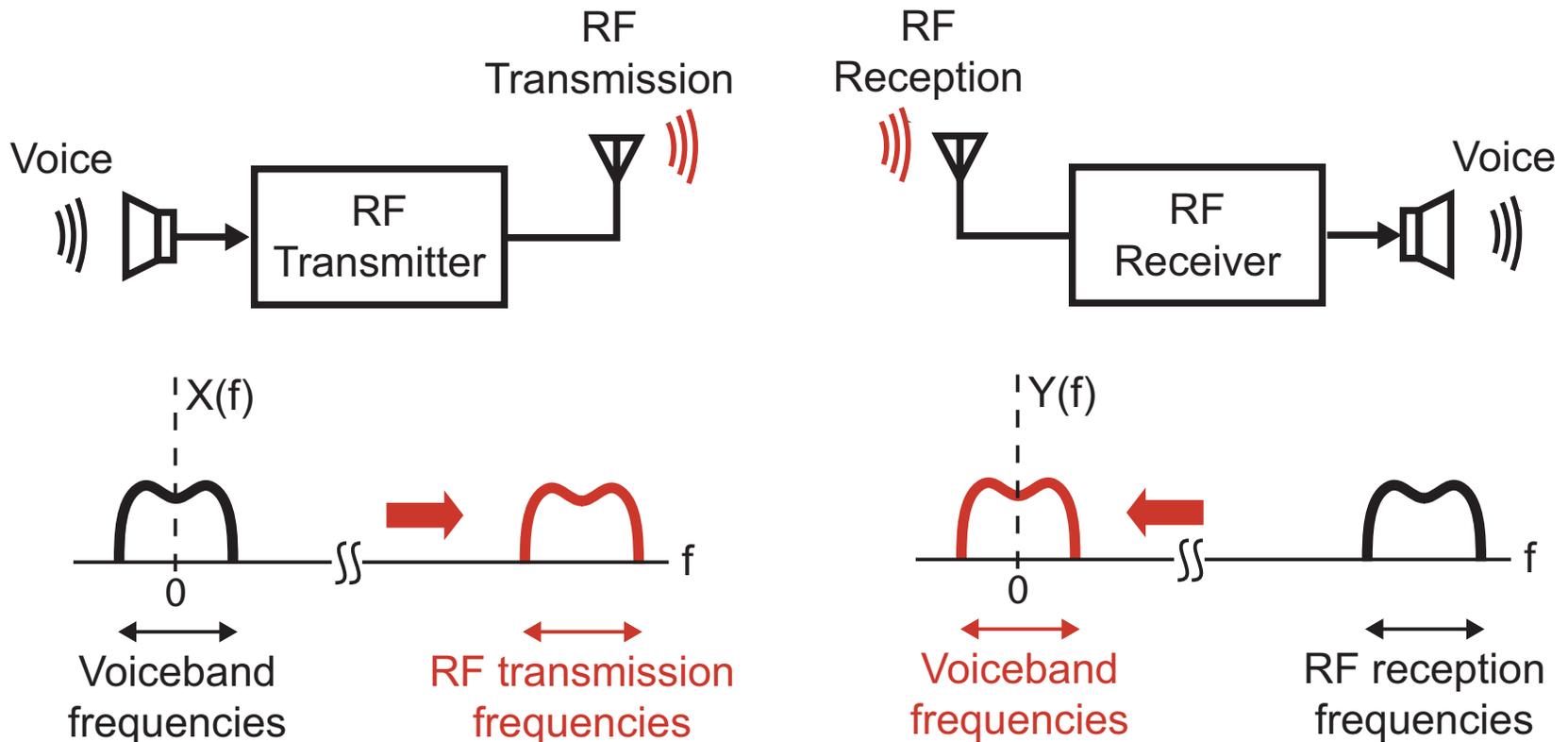
$$X(f) = \frac{A \sin(2\pi fT)}{\pi f}$$



This is called a *sinc* function

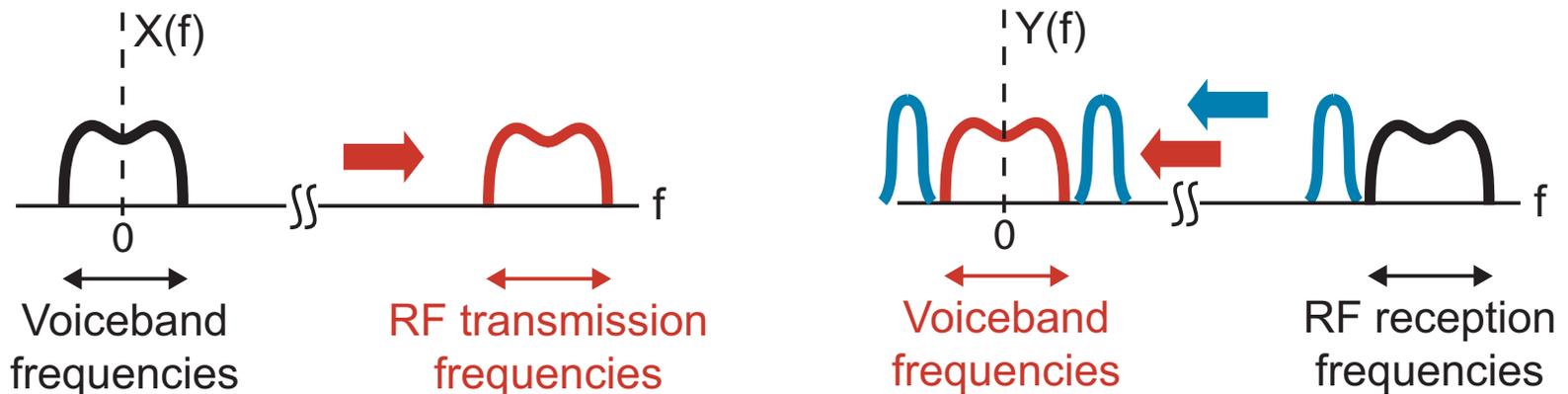
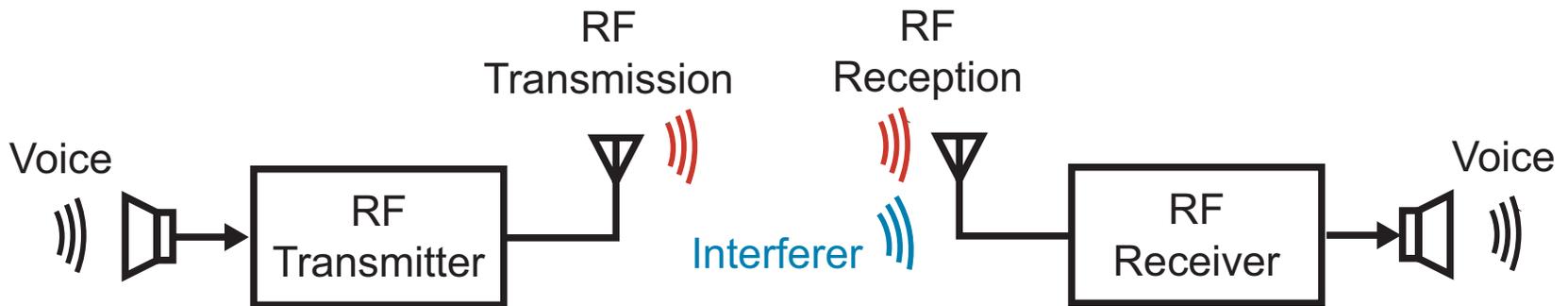


Modulation



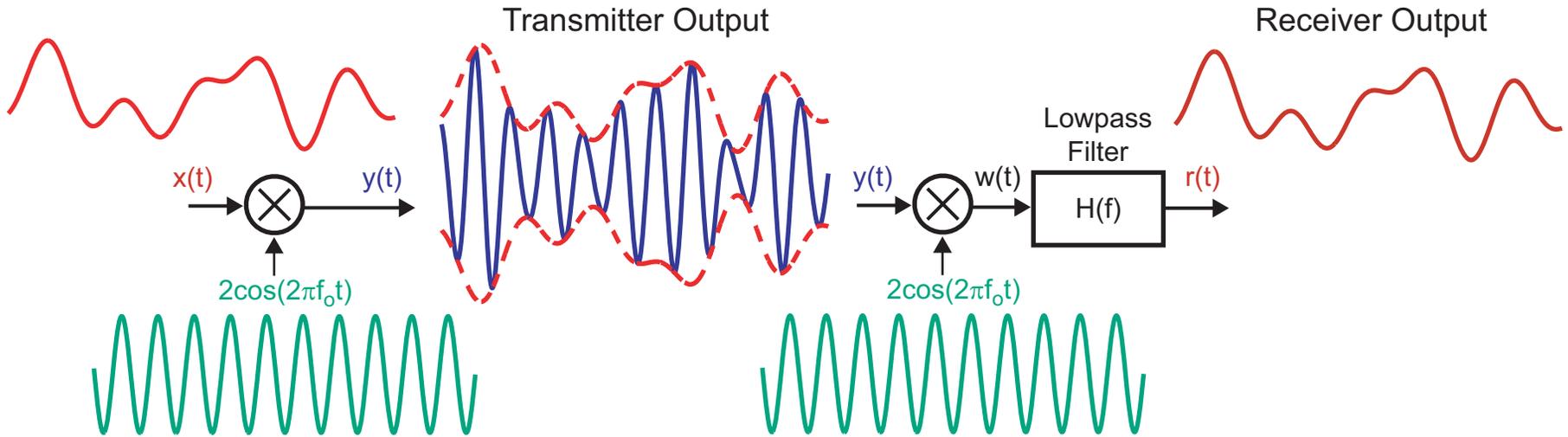
- **Modulation is used to change the frequency band of a signal**
 - Enables RF communication in different frequency bands
 - Used in cell phones, AM/FM radio, WLAN, cable TV,

Filtering



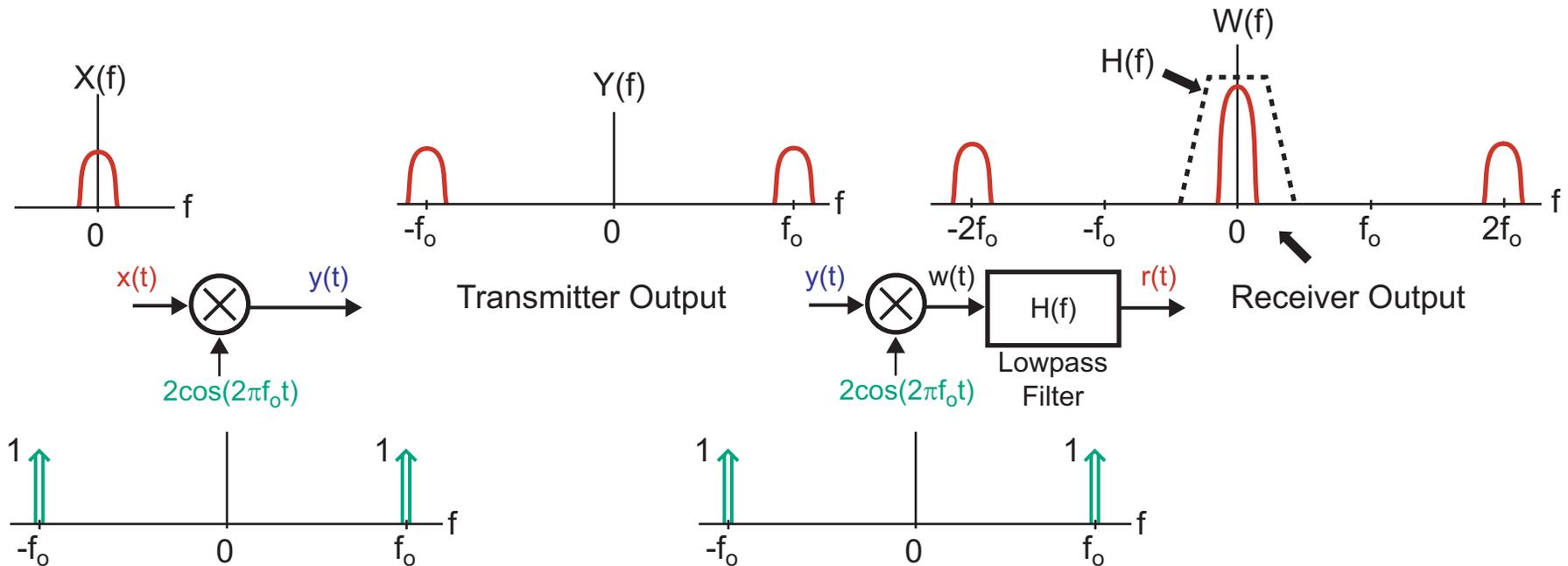
- **Filtering is used to remove undesired signals outside of the frequency band of interest**
 - Enables selection of a specific radio, TV, WLAN, cell phone, cable TV *channel* ...
 - Undesired channels are often called **interferers**

AM Modulation and Demodulation



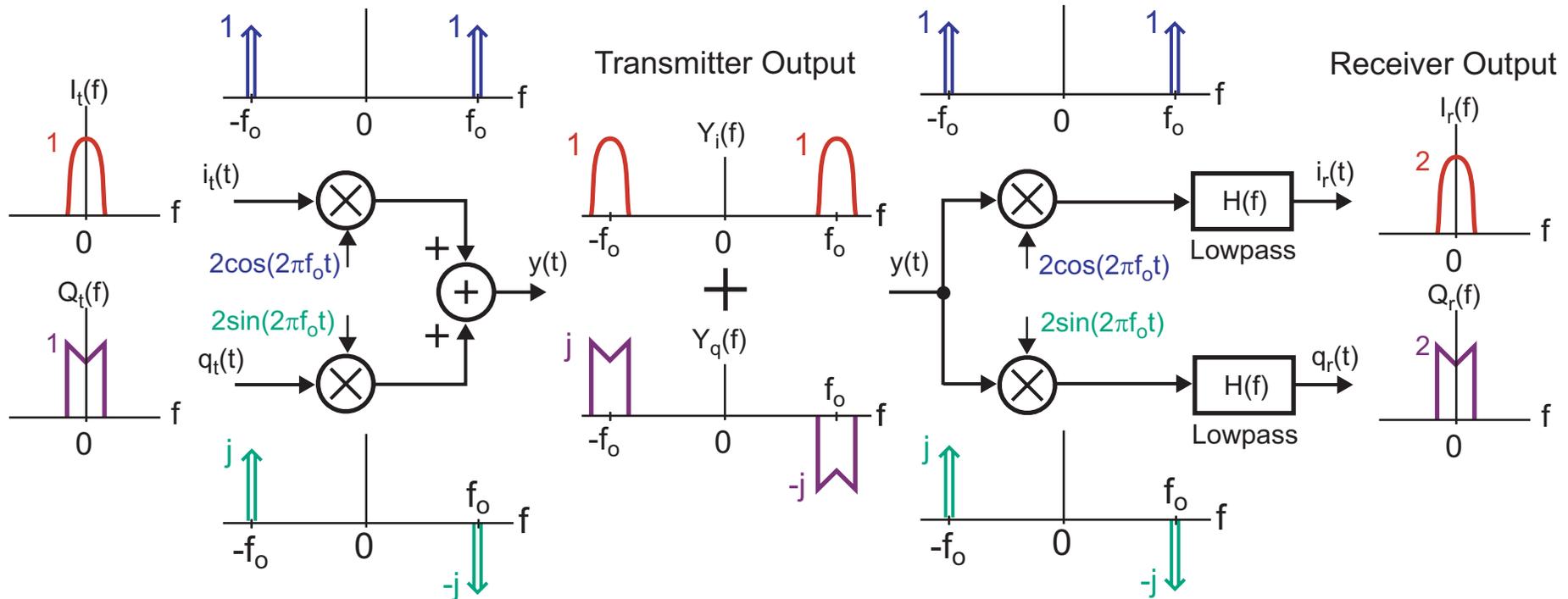
- **Multiplication (i.e., *mixing*) operation shifts in frequency**
 - Also creates undesired high frequency components at receiver
- **Lowpass filtering passes only the desired *baseband* signal at receiver**

Frequency Domain Analysis



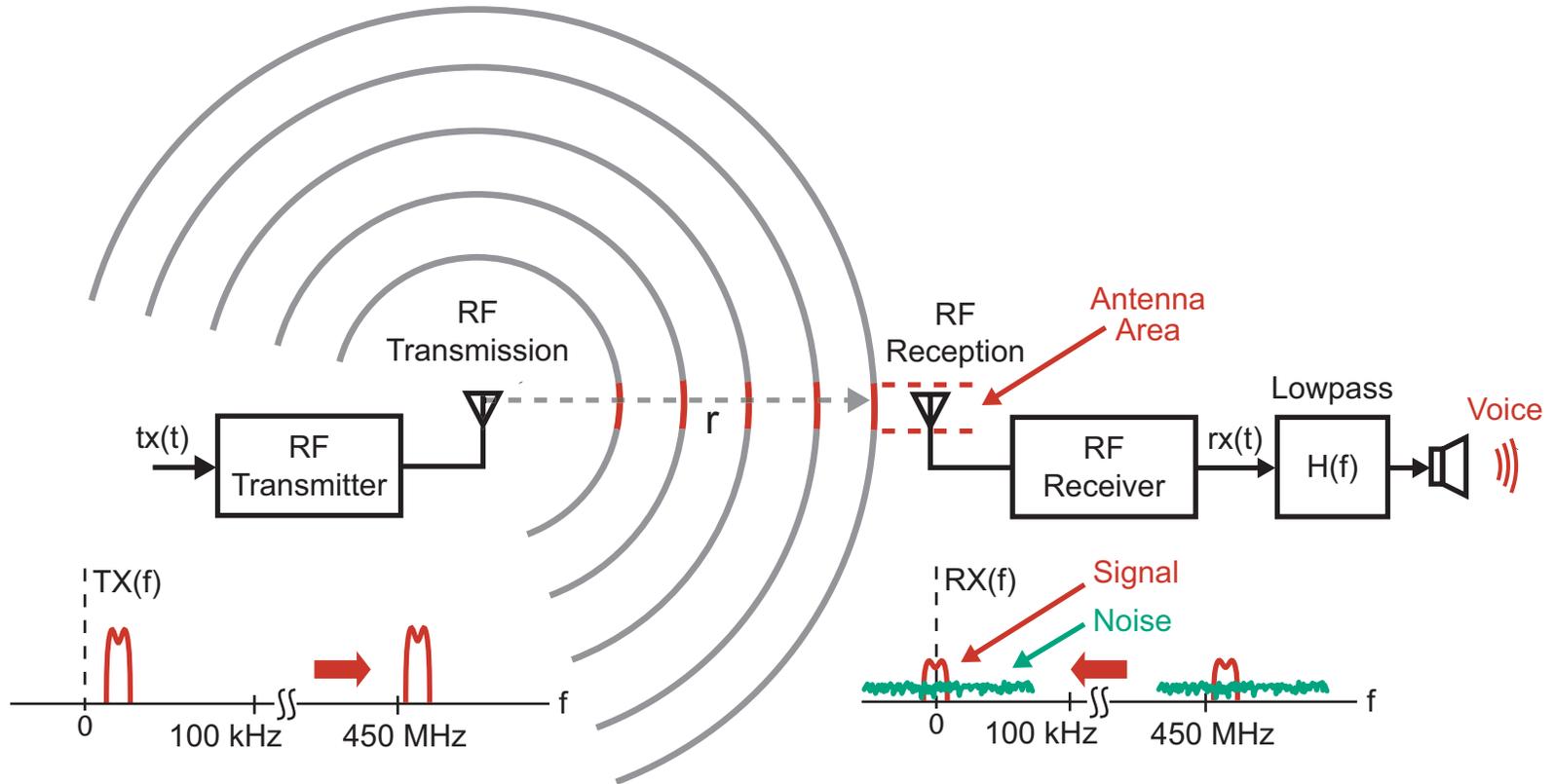
- When transmitter and receiver local oscillators are matched in phase:
 - Demodulated signal *constructively* adds at baseband

I/Q Modulation



- **Modulate with *both* a cosine and sine wave**
 - I and Q channels can be broadcast over the *same* frequency band
- **I/Q modulation allows twice the amount of *information* to be sent compared to basic AM modulation with same *bandwidth***

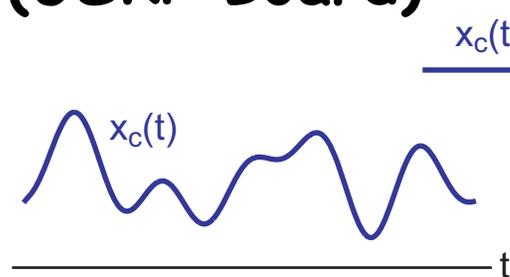
Energy Transfer in Wireless Communication



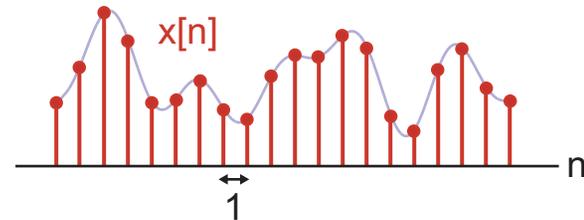
- Receiver antenna is limited in its ability to capture transmitter energy according to its *area* and *distance*, r , from transmitter
- Noise in the receiver causes corruption
 - Amount of corruption depends on signal-to-noise ratio

The Need for Sampling

Real World
(USRP Board)

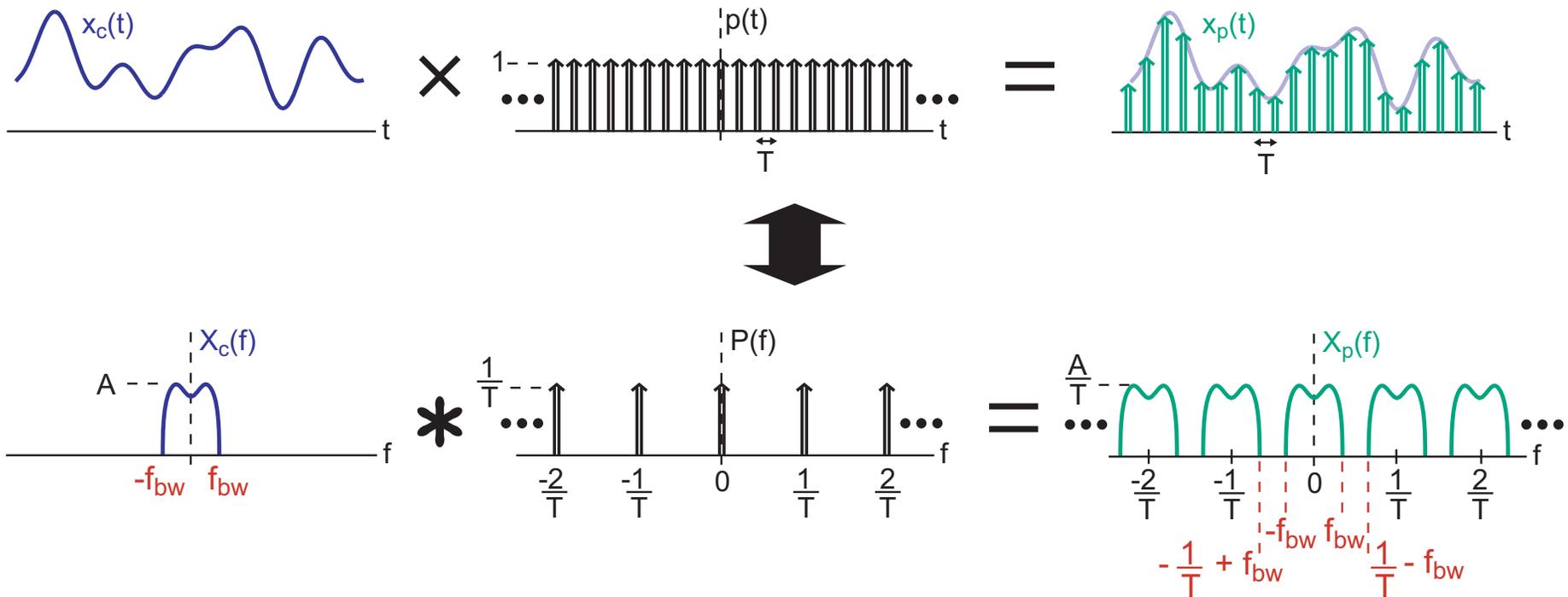


Matlab



- The boundary between *analog* and *digital*
 - Real world is filled with *continuous-time signals*
 - Computers (i.e. Matlab) operate on *sequences*
- Crossing the analog-to-digital boundary requires *sampling* of the continuous-time signals

The Sampling Theorem



- **Overlap in frequency domain (i.e., aliasing) is avoided if:**

$$\frac{1}{T} - f_{bw} \geq f_{bw} \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{1}{T} \geq 2f_{bw}}$$

- **We refer to the minimum $1/T$ that avoids aliasing as the *Nyquist* sampling frequency**

The Discrete-Time Fourier Transform

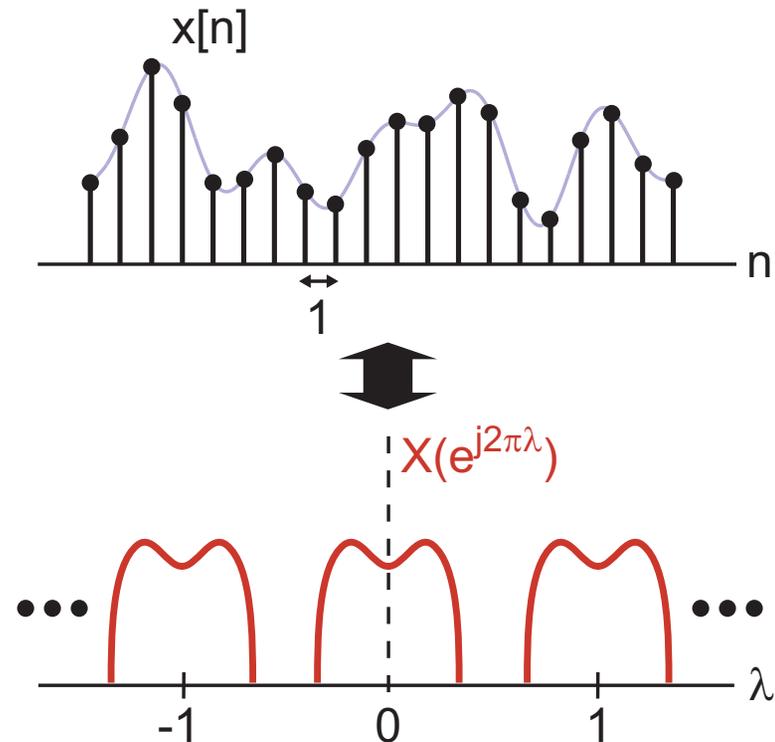
- Allows us to deal with *non-periodic, discrete-time* signals
- Frequency domain signal is *periodic* in this case

$$x[n] \Leftrightarrow X(e^{j2\pi\lambda})$$

Where:

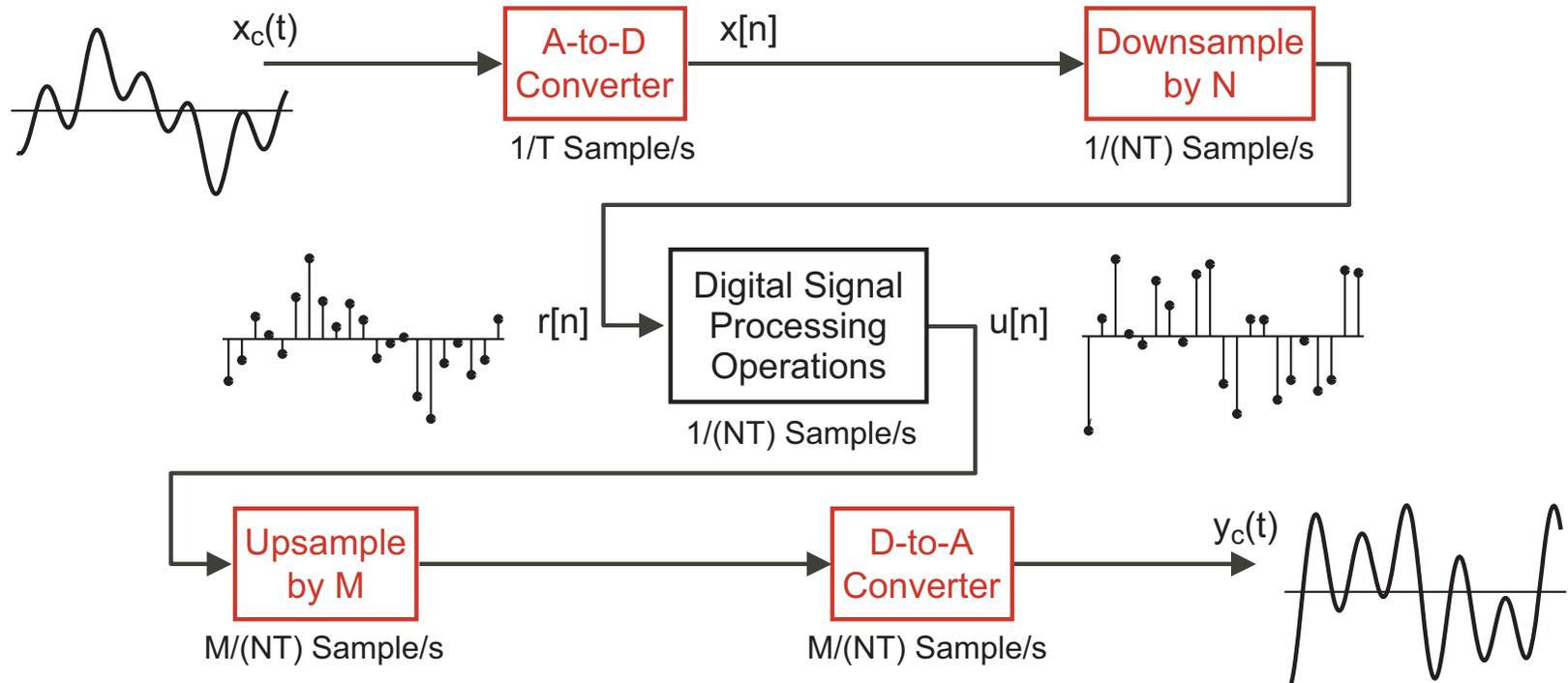
$$x[n] = \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} X(e^{j2\pi\lambda}) e^{j2\pi\lambda n} d\lambda$$

$$X(e^{j2\pi\lambda}) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n] e^{-j2\pi\lambda n}$$



Note: *fft* function in Matlab used to compute *DTFT*

Digital Processing of Analog Signals

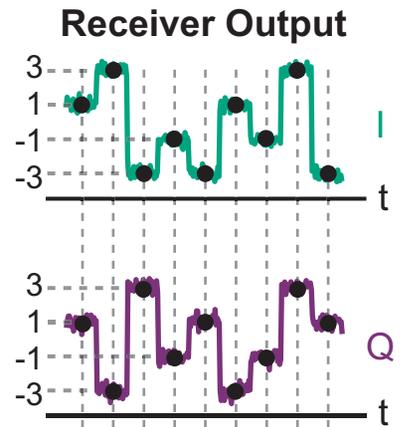
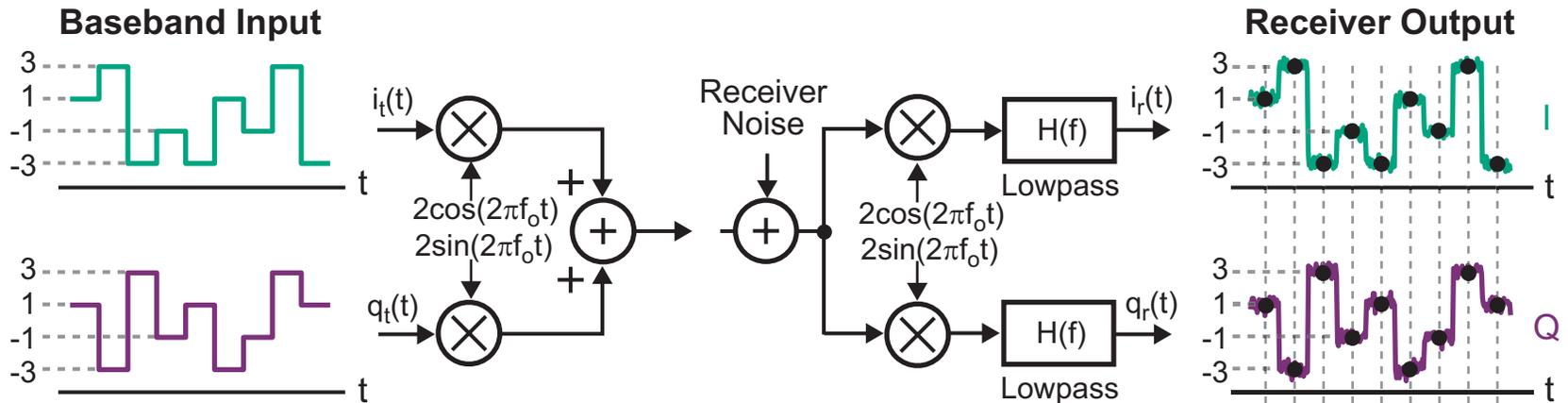


- **Digital circuits can perform very complex processing of analog signals, but require**
 - Conversion of analog signals to the digital domain
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 - Downsampling and upsampling to match sample rates of A-to-D, digital processor, and D-to-A

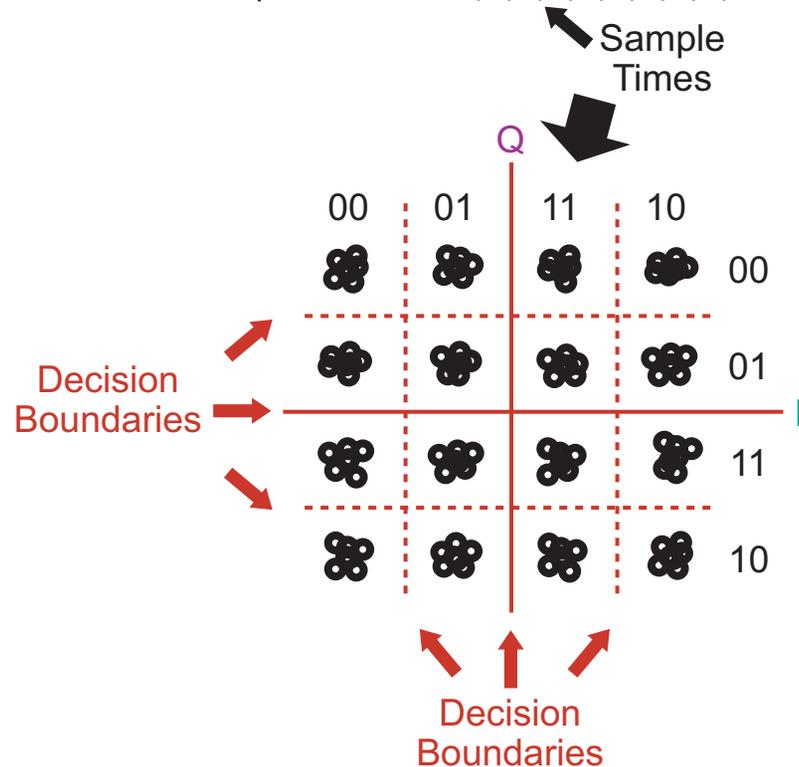
Advantages of Digital Processing

- Digital components correct small analog errors at each processing step
 - We can build large, reliable systems despite non-ideal components and the presence of bounded noise
- We can accommodate more precision by representing information with longer sequences of symbols
 - Except for the conversion steps, we can use simple digital components to achieve arbitrary precision in processing
- We abstract out the notion of “real time” when converting to sequences of discrete values
 - The speed of intervening digital processing steps is independent of the speed of conversion steps (e.g., we can combine many analog streams into a single high-speed digital stream).

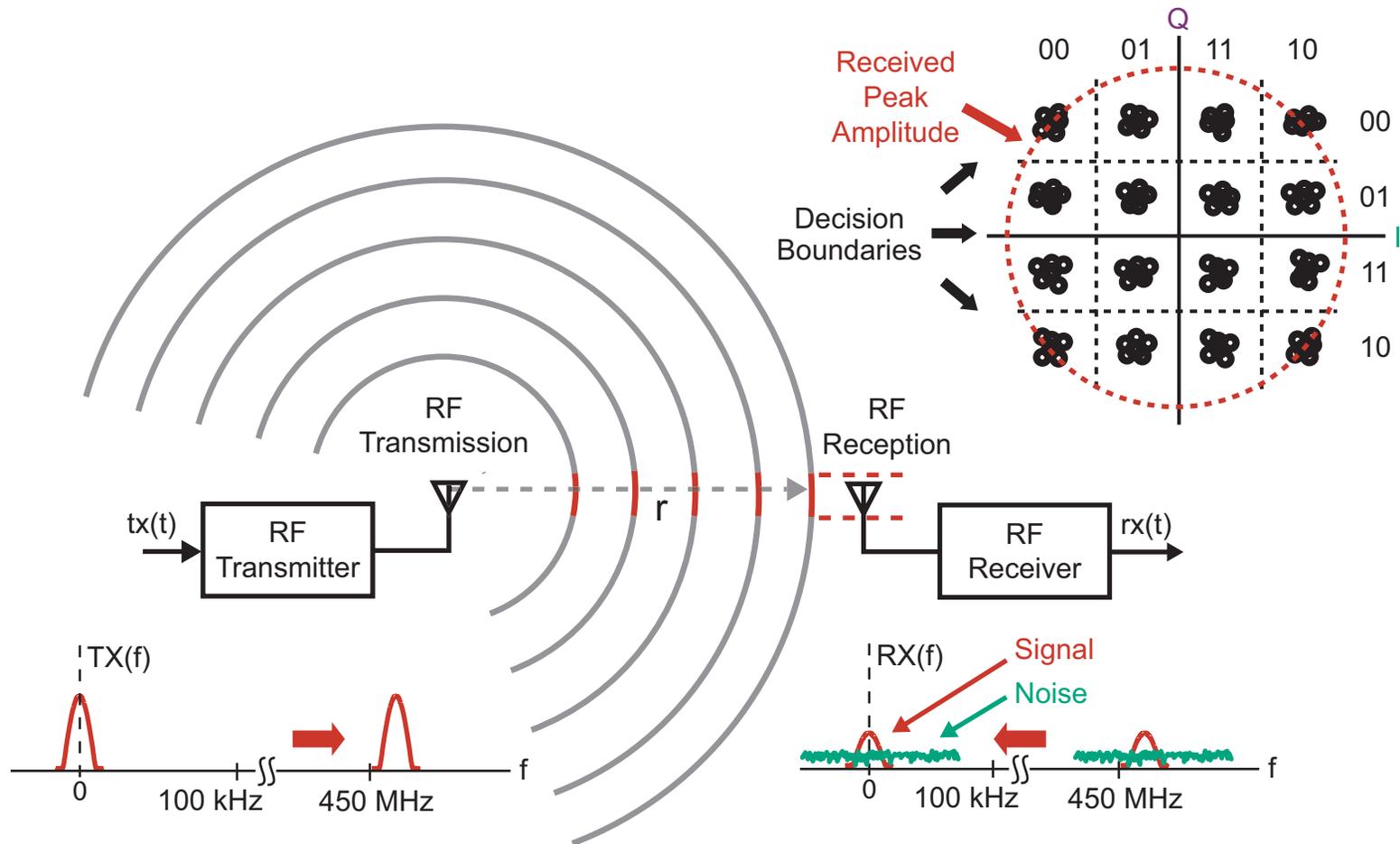
Digital Modulation



- **Send discrete-valued symbols across an analog communication channel**
- **Match I/Q samples to their corresponding symbols based on decision regions**
 - Provides noise margin

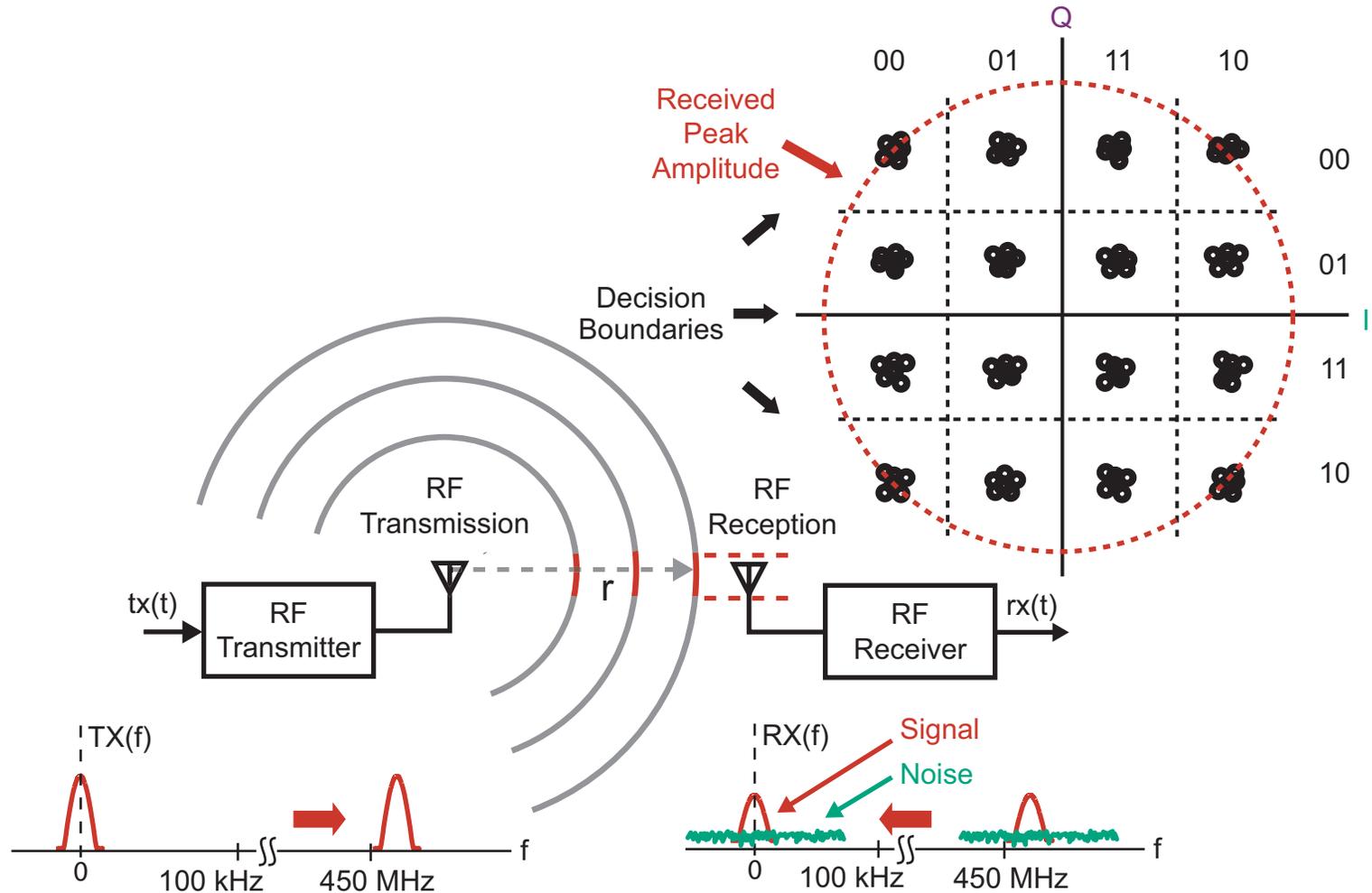


Impact of SNR on Receiver Constellation



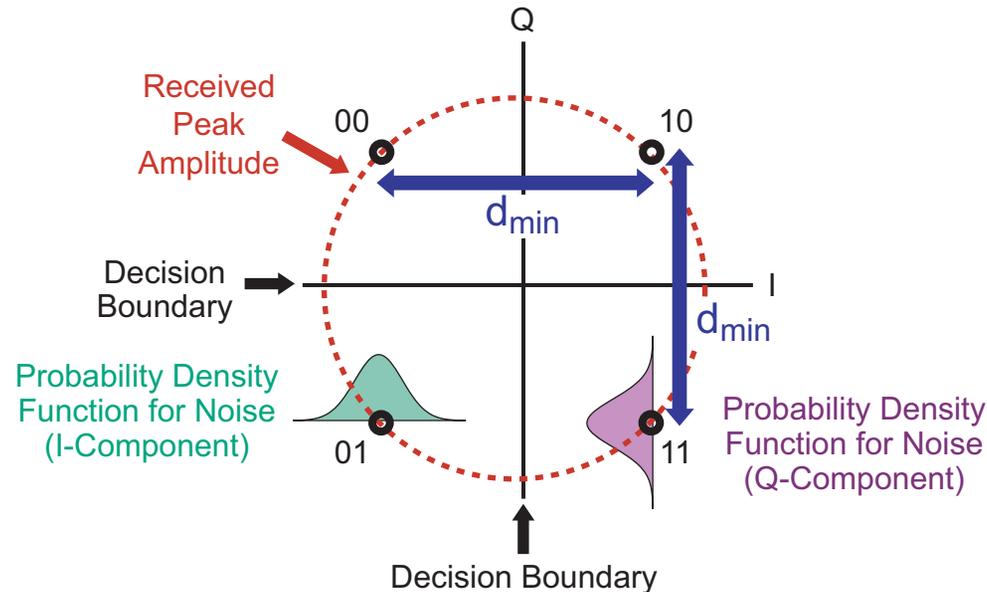
- SNR influenced by transmitted power, distance between transmitter and receiver, and noise

Impact of Increased Signal on Constellation



- Increase in received signal power leads to increased separation between symbols
 - SNR is improved if noise level unchanged

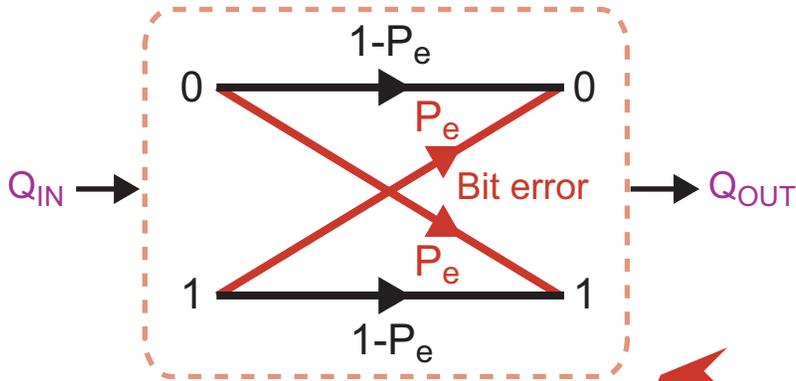
Quantifying the Impact of Noise



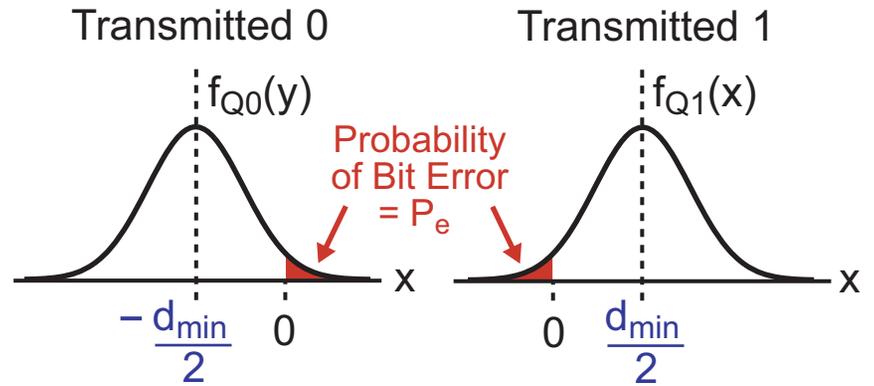
- **Minimum separation between symbols: d_{min}**
- **PDF of noise: zero mean Gaussian PDF**
 - Variance of noise sets the spread of the PDF
- **Bit errors: occur when noise moves a symbol by a distance more than $d_{min}/2$**

The Binary Symmetric Channel Model

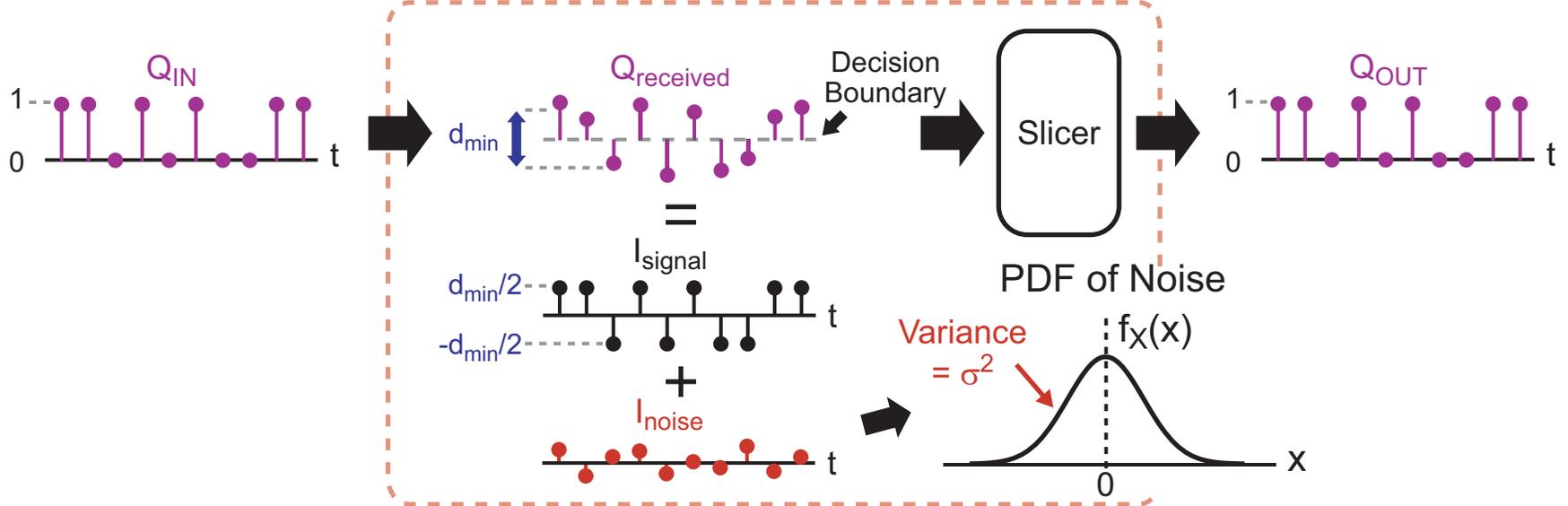
Communication Channel for Q Channel



PDF of Received Q Sample



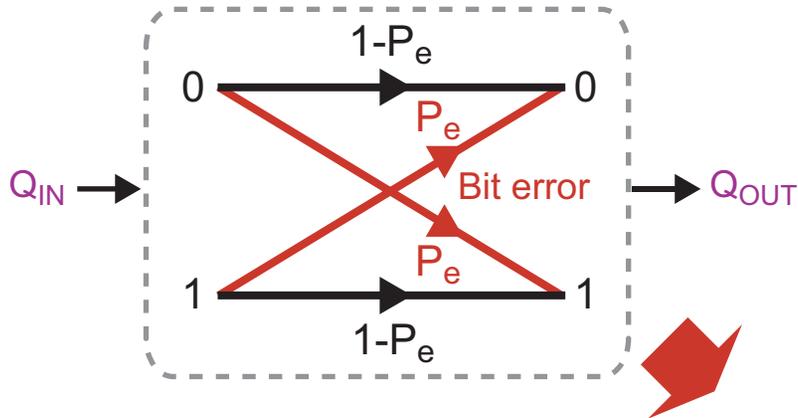
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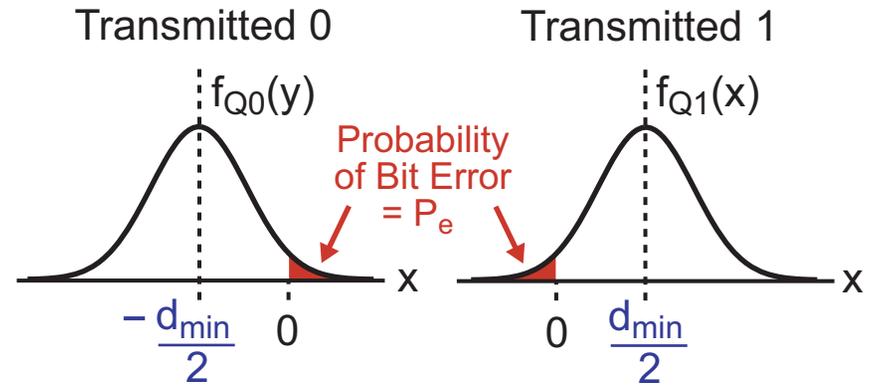
- Provides a binary signaling model of channel

Resulting Bit Error Rate Versus SNR

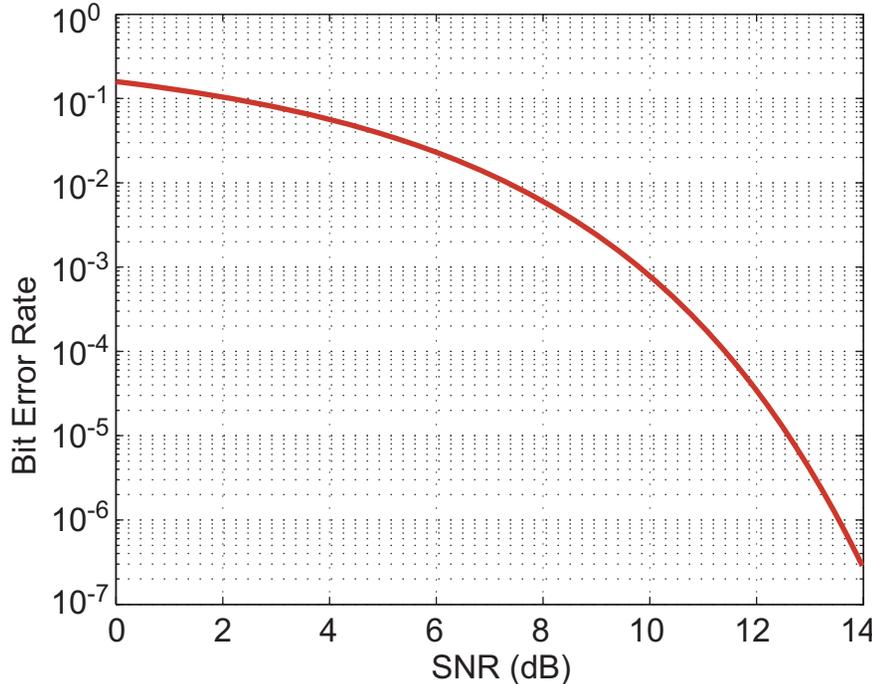
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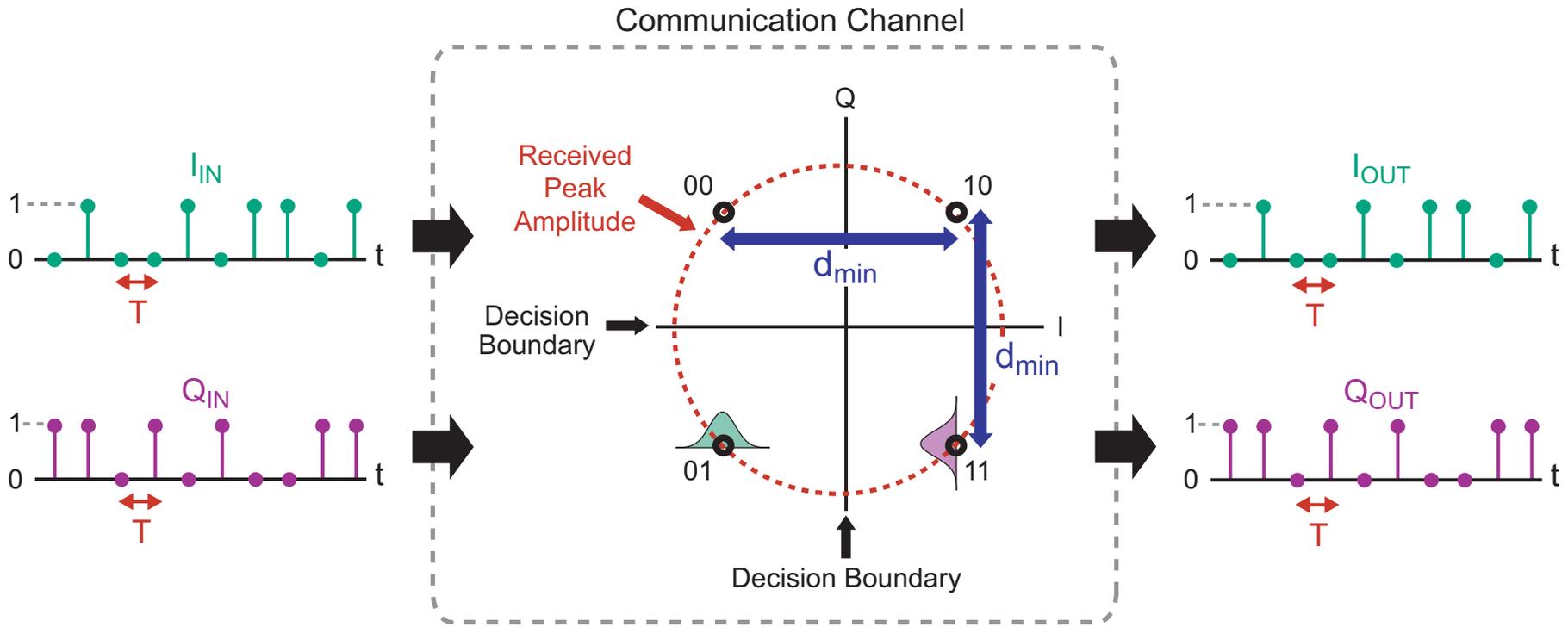
Bit Error Rate versus SNR for Q Channel



Note:

- Bit Error Rate = P_e
- SNR (dB) = $10 \log \left(\frac{(d_{min}/2)^2}{\sigma^2} \right)$
- Gaussian PDF for noise

Shannon Capacity



- In 1948, Claude Shannon proved that
 - Digital communication can achieve arbitrary low bit-error-rates if appropriate *coding* methods are employed
 - The capacity of a *Gaussian channel* with bandwidth BW to support arbitrary low bit-error-rate communication is:

$$C = BW \log_2(1 + SNR) \text{ bits/second}$$

Summary

- The Fourier Transform provides a powerful tool for analysis of sampling, modulation, and filtering
- The digital abstraction provides a practical implementation framework for complicated systems
 - Analog signaling is highly susceptible to noise
 - Digital signaling provides noise margin
- We can represent a digital communication channel with a binary signaling model
 - Bit errors are quantified in terms of the signal-to-noise ratio of the overall channel
- Claude Shannon introduced the concept of using coding methods to achieve arbitrarily low bit error rates across practical communication channels