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2.2.910 USE OF SUPPRESSED CARRIER MODULATIONS FOR HIGH RATE EARTHSPACE-TO-SPACE LINKS, SPACE RESEARCH AND INTER-SATELLITE, AT ~~22.55-23.15~~~~23.15-23.55~~ ~~22.55-23.15~~ GHz

The CCSDS,

considering

- (a) that the frequency band 22.55-23.15 GHz is allocated to ~~Earth-to-space links of to the Space Research Service (Earth-to-space) missions and the band 22.55-23.55 GHz is allocated to the Inter-Satellite Service and human mission;~~
- (b) that Lunar missions in the near future will require high-rate Earthspace-to-space links, up to 200 coded Msymbol/s, for functions other than telecommand;
- (c) that the SFCG has approved a Recommendation¹ specifying that links from Earth-space to Lunar orbit or to Lunar surface shall use the frequency allocation ~~22.55-23.15-23.55~~ GHz;
- (d) that it is important to limit the occupied bandwidth at high rates to reduce out-of-band interference;
- (e) that GMSK² and baseband filtered OQPSK³ modulations have only a small performance degradation as compared with ideal unfiltered suppressed carrier systems;
- (f) that since GMSK² modulation is inherently differential in nature, the use of GMSK with precoding is necessary to optimize bit error rate performance;
- (g) that a phase imbalance of less than 5 degrees and an amplitude imbalance of less than 0.5 dB should result in acceptable performance degradation.;
- (h) that recommended maximum values of phase noise is needed to ensure small end-to-end losses;

recommends

- (1) that GMSK² or baseband filtered OQPSK³ modulations be used for high data rate transmissions with coded symbol rate in the range ~~5~~~~10~~-200 coded Msymbol/s⁴ in communications systems operating for high rate Earthspace-to-space links in the 22.55-23.15 GHz band;

¹ See SFCG recommendation 32-2R2 or latest version.

² Gaussian Minimum Shift Keying ($BT_s = [0.25/0.5]$), with pre-coding as in ~~Figure 2.2.10-1~~~~Figure 2.2.10-1~~~~Figure 2.2.9-1~~ (see CCSDS 413.0-G-3). B refers to the one-sided 3-dB bandwidth of the filter.

³ Filtered (Square Root Raised Cosine $\alpha = 0.5$) Offset QPSK; Butterworth 6 poles, $BT_s = [0.25/0.5]$; agencies may also utilize filtered OQPSK modulation with other types of bandpass filters provided that the equivalent baseband BT_s is not greater than 0.5 and they ensure interoperability with the cross-supporting networks. B refers to the one-sided 3-dB bandwidth of the filter.

⁴ For the purpose of this Recommendation, the coded symbol rate is defined in ~~Figure 2.2.10-2~~~~Figure 2.2.10-2~~~~Figure 2.2.9-2~~.

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(2) that CCSDS agencies use a data randomizer as specified in the CCSDS telemetry synchronization and channel coding blue book, CCSDS 131.0-B-3 (or latest edition);

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(3) that the modulator’s phase imbalance shall not exceed 5 degrees, and the amplitude imbalance shall not exceed 0.5 dB between the constellation points;

(4) that the phase noise of the communication chain should be limited according to the mask in the Annex-

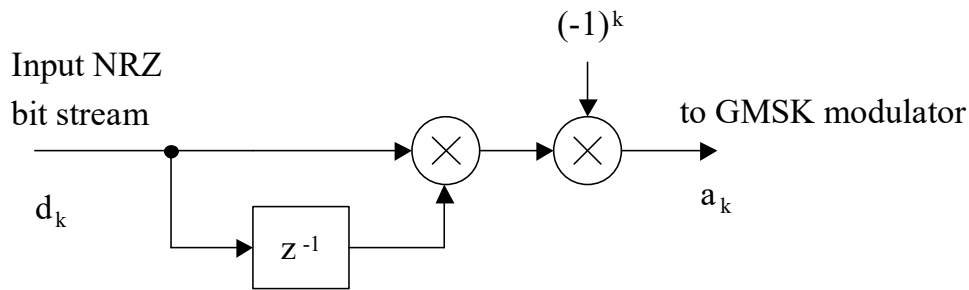


Figure 2.2.102.2.9-1: GSMK Precoder

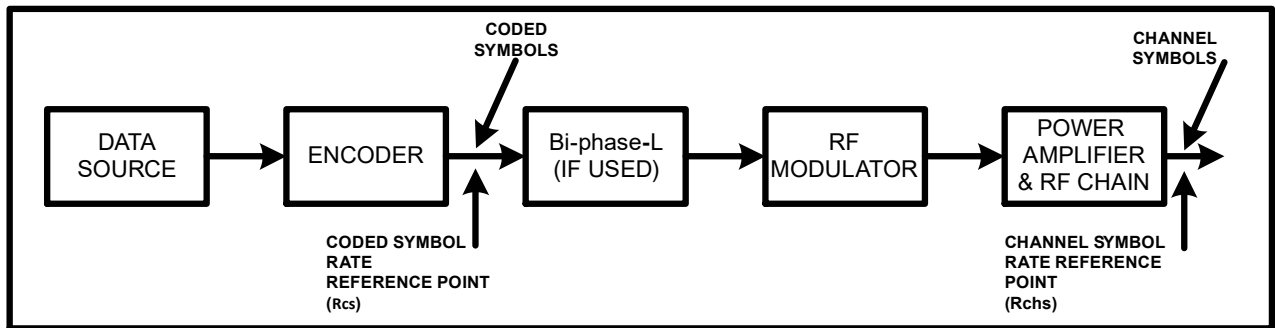


Figure 2.2.102.2.9-2: Telemetry Rates Definition

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ANNEX

PHASE NOISE

(Normative)

The phase noise for all the oscillators of the communication chain shall be limited according to the mask given in [Figure Error! Reference source not found.-3](#) [Figure 2.2.9-3](#).

NOTE – The figure shows the double-sided phase noise mask $2L(f)$ in dBc/Hz versus frequency in Hz.

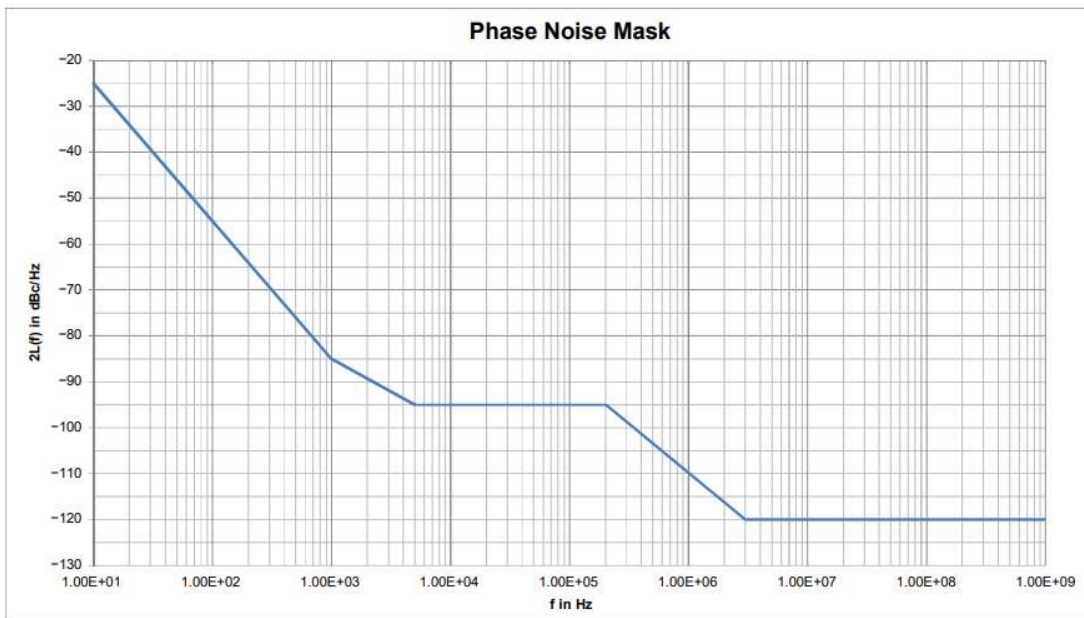


Figure [Error! Reference source not found.2.2.9-3](#): Phase noise mask recommendation