

**ECE 342 Communication Theory**  
**Fall 2005, Homework 1**

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1. (20 points) Determine whether the following statements are true or false. If false, provide a correct statement or a justification.

- (a) ( T ) Any signal that is a function of time has a frequency-domain representation that can be obtained using Fourier Transform.
  - (b) ( F ) The amplitude spectrum (obtained by the Fourier Transform) of a signal is even symmetric while the phase spectrum is odd symmetric. **(This holds for real signals only.)**
  - (c) ( T ) The Fourier transform of a periodic signal consists of a sequence of impulses in frequency at multiples of the fundamental frequency of the periodic signal.
  - (d) ( T ) If  $x(t) \iff X(f)$ , and  $y(t) \iff Y(f)$ , then  $x(t)y(t) \iff X(f) * Y(f)$  (i.e. multiplication in time translates to convolution in frequency).
  - (e) ( F ) In a DSB-SC signal, the envelope of the resulting bandpass signal is proportional to the amplitude of the message signal. **(The envelope of the resulting bandpass signal is proportional to the absolute value of the message signal's amplitude.)**
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2. (10 points) Find the trigonometric Fourier series and sketch the corresponding spectra for the periodic impulse train  $g(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - nT_0)$ .

**Solution:**  $f_0 = 1/T_0$  and  $w_0 = 2\pi/T_0$ . The trigonometric Fourier series for  $g(t)$  is given by

$$g(t) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos(nw_0t) + b_n \sin(nw_0t)).$$

Since  $g(t)$  is even symmetric, its trigonometric Fourier series expansion will not contain sin terms, i.e.  $b_n = 0$ . According to the definition:

$$a_0 = \frac{2}{T_0} \int_{-T_0/2}^{T_0/2} \delta(t) dt = \frac{2}{T_0}$$
$$a_n = \frac{2}{T_0} \int_{-T_0/2}^{T_0/2} \delta(t) \cos(nw_0t) dt = \frac{2}{T_0}$$

Hence, we have

$$g(t) = \frac{1}{T_0} + \frac{2}{T_0} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \cos(n\omega_0 t) = \frac{2}{T_0} + \frac{2}{T_0} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \cos\left(\frac{2n\pi}{T_0} t\right)$$

Sketch of the spectrum omitted.

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3. (20 points) Consider a signal

$$x(t) = e^{-\alpha t} u_{-1}(t), \quad \alpha > 0$$

and a linear time invariant system with response

$$h(t) = \text{sinc}(6t).$$

- (a) Determine whether a signal  $x(t)$  is energy-type or power-type. In each case, find the energy or power-spectral density and also the energy or power content of  $x(t)$ .
- (b) Find the energy spectral density and the energy content, or power-spectral density and the power content of the output of the LTI system  $h(t)$  when driven by  $x(t)$ .

**Solution:**

- (a)  $x(t) = e^{-\alpha t} u_{-1}(t)$ . The spectrum of the signal is  $X(f) = \frac{1}{\alpha + j2\pi f}$  and the energy spectral density

$$\mathcal{G}_X(f) = |X(f)|^2 = \frac{1}{\alpha^2 + 4\pi^2 f^2}$$

Thus, the time correlation of the signal is

$$R_X(\tau) = \mathcal{F}^{-1}[\mathcal{G}_X(f)] = \frac{1}{2\alpha} e^{-\alpha|\tau|}$$

The energy content of the signal is

$$E_X = R_X(0) = \frac{1}{2\alpha} < \infty$$

The signal is energy-type.

- (b)

$$h(t) = \text{sinc}(6t) \implies H(f) = \frac{1}{6} \Pi\left(\frac{f}{6}\right)$$

The energy spectral density of the output signal is

$$\mathcal{G}_Y(f) = \mathcal{G}_X(f) |H(f)|^2 = |X(f)|^2 |H(f)|^2.$$

With  $|X(f)|^2 = \frac{1}{\alpha^2 + 4\pi^2 f^2}$ , we obtain

$$\mathcal{G}_Y(f) = \frac{1}{\alpha^2 + 4\pi^2 f^2} \frac{1}{36} \Pi^2\left(\frac{f}{6}\right) = \frac{1}{36(\alpha^2 + 4\pi^2 f^2)} \Pi\left(\frac{f}{6}\right)$$

The energy content of the output signal is

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_Y &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathcal{G}_Y(f) df = \frac{1}{36} \int_{-3}^3 \frac{1}{\alpha^2 + 4\pi^2 f^2} df \\
 &= \frac{1}{36(2\alpha\pi)} \arctan\left(f \frac{2\pi}{\alpha}\right) \Big|_{-3}^3 \\
 &= \frac{1}{36\alpha\pi} \arctan\left(\frac{6\pi}{\alpha}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$


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4. (10 points) In a DSB SC system, the message signal is  $m(t) = \text{sinc}(t) + \text{sinc}^2(t)$  and the carrier is  $c(t) = A \cos(2\pi f_c t)$ . Find the frequency domain representation and the bandwidth of the modulated signal.

**Solution:**

$$u(t) = m(t)c(t) = A(\text{sinc}(t) + \text{sinc}^2(t)) \cos(2\pi f_c t)$$

Taking the Fourier transform of both sides, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 U(f) &= \frac{A}{2} [\Pi(f) + \Lambda(f)] \star (\delta(f - f_c) + \delta(f + f_c)) \\
 &= \frac{A}{2} [\Pi(f - f_c) + \Lambda(f - f_c) + \Pi(f + f_c) + \Lambda(f + f_c)]
 \end{aligned}$$

$\Pi(f - f_c) \neq 0$  for  $|f - f_c| < \frac{1}{2}$ , whereas  $\Lambda(f - f_c) \neq 0$  for  $|f - f_c| < 1$ . Hence, the bandwidth of the modulated signal is 2.

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5. (20 points) In a DSB SC system, the message signal is  $m(t) = 2 \cos(400t) + 4 \sin(500t + \pi/3)$  and the carrier is  $c(t) = A \cos(8000\pi t)$ .

- Find the time domain and frequency domain representation of the modulated signal and plot the spectrum (Fourier transform) of the modulated signal.
- Find the power content of the modulated signal.

**Solution:**

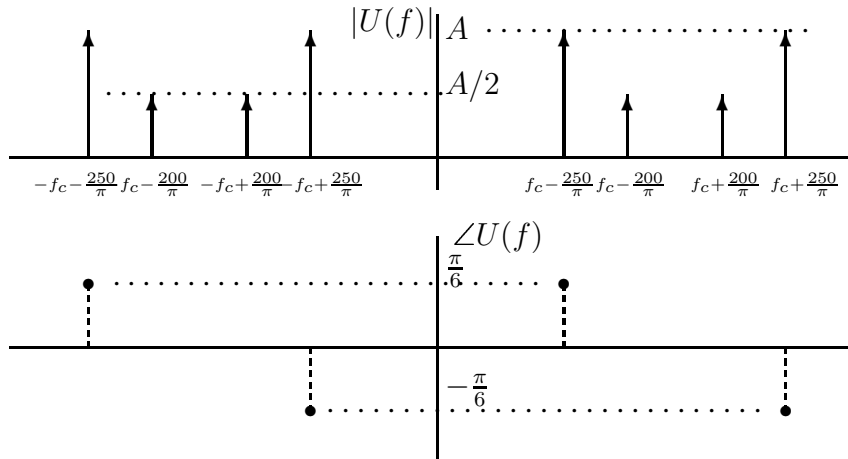
- (a) The modulated signal is

$$\begin{aligned}
 u(t) &= m(t)c(t) = Am(t) \cos(2\pi 4 \times 10^3 t) \\
 &= A \left[ 2 \cos\left(2\pi \frac{200}{\pi} t\right) + 4 \sin\left(2\pi \frac{250}{\pi} t + \frac{\pi}{3}\right) \right] \cos(2\pi 4 \times 10^3 t) \\
 &= A \cos\left(2\pi\left(4 \times 10^3 + \frac{200}{\pi}\right)t\right) + A \cos\left(2\pi\left(4 \times 10^3 - \frac{200}{\pi}\right)t\right) \\
 &\quad + 2A \sin\left(2\pi\left(4 \times 10^3 + \frac{250}{\pi}\right)t + \frac{\pi}{3}\right) - 2A \sin\left(2\pi\left(4 \times 10^3 - \frac{250}{\pi}\right)t - \frac{\pi}{3}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Taking the Fourier transform of the previous relation, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 U(f) &= A \left[ \delta\left(f - \frac{200}{\pi}\right) + \delta\left(f + \frac{200}{\pi}\right) + \frac{2}{j} e^{j\frac{\pi}{3}} \delta\left(f - \frac{250}{\pi}\right) - \frac{2}{j} e^{-j\frac{\pi}{3}} \delta\left(f + \frac{250}{\pi}\right) \right] \\
 &\quad \star \frac{1}{2} [\delta(f - 4 \times 10^3) + \delta(f + 4 \times 10^3)] \\
 &= \frac{A}{2} \left[ \delta\left(f - 4 \times 10^3 - \frac{200}{\pi}\right) + \delta\left(f - 4 \times 10^3 + \frac{200}{\pi}\right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + 2e^{-j\frac{\pi}{6}} \delta\left(f - 4 \times 10^3 - \frac{250}{\pi}\right) + 2e^{j\frac{\pi}{6}} \delta\left(f - 4 \times 10^3 + \frac{250}{\pi}\right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \delta\left(f + 4 \times 10^3 - \frac{200}{\pi}\right) + \delta\left(f + 4 \times 10^3 + \frac{200}{\pi}\right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + 2e^{-j\frac{\pi}{6}} \delta\left(f + 4 \times 10^3 - \frac{250}{\pi}\right) + 2e^{j\frac{\pi}{6}} \delta\left(f + 4 \times 10^3 + \frac{250}{\pi}\right) \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

The next figure depicts the magnitude and the phase of the spectrum  $U(f)$ .



(b) To find the power content of the modulated signal we write  $u^2(t)$  as

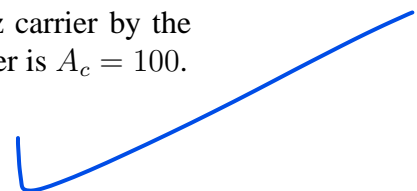
$$\begin{aligned}
 u^2(t) &= A^2 \cos^2\left(2\pi\left(4 \times 10^3 + \frac{200}{\pi}\right)t\right) + A^2 \cos^2\left(2\pi\left(4 \times 10^3 - \frac{200}{\pi}\right)t\right) \\
 &\quad + 4A^2 \sin^2\left(2\pi\left(4 \times 10^3 + \frac{250}{\pi}\right)t + \frac{\pi}{3}\right) + 4A^2 \sin^2\left(2\pi\left(4 \times 10^3 - \frac{250}{\pi}\right)t - \frac{\pi}{3}\right) \\
 &\quad + \text{terms of cosine and sine functions in the first power}
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$P = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-\frac{T}{2}}^{\frac{T}{2}} u^2(t) dt = \frac{A^2}{2} + \frac{A^2}{2} + \frac{4A^2}{2} + \frac{4A^2}{2} = 5A^2$$

6. (20 points) A SSB AM signal is generated by modulating an 800-kHz carrier by the signal  $m(t) = \cos(2000\pi t) + 2 \sin(2000\pi t)$ . The amplitude of the carrier is  $A_c = 100$ .

(a) Determine the  $\hat{m}(t)$ , the Hilbert transform of  $m(t)$ .



- (b) Determine the time domain expression for the lower sideband of the SSB AM signal.
- (c) Determine the magnitude spectrum of the lower sideband SSB signal.

**Solution:**

(a) The Hilbert transform of  $\cos(2\pi 1000t)$  is  $\sin(2\pi 1000t)$ , whereas the Hilbert transform of  $\sin(2\pi 1000t)$  is  $-\cos(2\pi 1000t)$ . Thus

$$\hat{m}(t) = \sin(2\pi 1000t) - 2 \cos(2\pi 1000t)$$

(b) The expression for the LSSB AM signal is

$$u_l(t) = A_c m(t) \cos(2\pi f_c t) + A_c \hat{m}(t) \sin(2\pi f_c t)$$

Substituting  $A_c = 100$ ,  $m(t) = \cos(2\pi 1000t) + 2 \sin(2\pi 1000t)$  and  $\hat{m}(t) = \sin(2\pi 1000t) - 2 \cos(2\pi 1000t)$  in the previous, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} u_l(t) &= 100 [\cos(2\pi 1000t) + 2 \sin(2\pi 1000t)] \cos(2\pi f_c t) \\ &+ 100 [\sin(2\pi 1000t) - 2 \cos(2\pi 1000t)] \sin(2\pi f_c t) \\ &= 100 [\cos(2\pi 1000t) \cos(2\pi f_c t) + \sin(2\pi 1000t) \sin(2\pi f_c t)] \\ &+ 200 [\cos(2\pi f_c t) \sin(2\pi 1000t) - \sin(2\pi f_c t) \cos(2\pi 1000t)] \\ &= 100 \cos(2\pi(f_c - 1000)t) - 200 \sin(2\pi(f_c - 1000)t) \end{aligned}$$

(c) Taking the Fourier transform of the previous expression we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} U_l(f) &= 50 (\delta(f - f_c + 1000) + \delta(f + f_c - 1000)) \\ &+ 100j (\delta(f - f_c + 1000) - \delta(f + f_c - 1000)) \\ &= (50 + 100j) \delta(f - f_c + 1000) + (50 - 100j) \delta(f + f_c - 1000) \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the magnitude spectrum is given by

$$\begin{aligned} |U_l(f)| &= \sqrt{50^2 + 100^2} (\delta(f - f_c + 1000) + \delta(f + f_c - 1000)) \\ &= 10\sqrt{125} (\delta(f - f_c + 1000) + \delta(f + f_c - 1000)) \end{aligned}$$


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