

$$\int e^{-\alpha t} e^{-\beta t} dt = \frac{1}{-\alpha - \beta} \int 0 - 1 \Big|$$



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EE341 - Communication Systems - I

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Note: Please note the following:

- (a) $u(\cdot)$ denotes the continuous-time unit step signal.
 (b) The continuous-time Fourier transform of $x(t)$ is defined as

$$X(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j2\pi ft} dt$$

- (c) The continuous-time Fourier series of $x(t)$ that is periodic with period T is defined as

$$c_k = \frac{1}{T} \int_{(T)} x(t) e^{-j2\pi kt/T} dt$$

- (d) Note that $\text{sinc}(t) = \sin(\pi t)/(\pi t)$.

- (e) The power series for $\tan^{-1} x = x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \dots$.

PROBLEM 1

(6 points) Find the Fourier transform of the following signals:

- (a) $\exp(-t) \sin(2\pi f_c t) u(t)$. [2]

- (b) $\frac{\cos(100\pi t) \sin(\pi t)}{\pi t}$. [2]

- (c) $\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} (u(t + 0.25 + k) - u(t - 0.25 + k))$. [2]

$$F\left(\frac{1}{x+t}\right) = -j\pi - j\pi \text{sgn}(t)$$

$$f(f(t)) = \frac{1}{j5\pi t}$$

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{x+t} \rightarrow -j\pi \text{sgn}(t)$$

PROBLEM 2

(6 points) Consider the signal $m_1(t) = \text{sinc}(40,000t) - \text{sinc}(40,000t - 1)$, where t is measured in seconds. Answer the questions below with regard to this $m_1(t)$.

- (a) Find the continuous-time Fourier transform of $m_1(t)$. [1]
 (b) Find the energy in $m_1(t)$. [2]
 (c) $m_1(t)$ is transmitted using double side-band suppressed carrier modulation using the carrier $\cos(2\pi 100 \times 10^6 t)$. Find the expression for the transmitted signal. [1]
 (d) The signal from (c) is demodulated at the receiver using the local oscillator $\cos(2\pi 100 \times 10^6 t + \phi)$, followed by an ideal low-pass filter with cut-off at 1 MHz. Find the output signal. [2]

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$$f_c = f_c + \frac{k_p}{2\pi} m(t)$$

$$\Delta f = k_f A_m = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{d\phi}{dt}$$

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PROBLEM 3

(5 points) For this question, note that the standard PM modulated signal is $A \cos(2\pi f_c t + k_p m(t))$, while the standard FM modulated signal is $A \cos(2\pi f_c t + k_f \int_{-\infty}^t m(\tau) d\tau)$, with $m(t)$ being the message signal.

Consider the following angle modulated signal:

$$s(t) = A \cos\left(2\pi f_c t + k \int_{-\infty}^t \text{sinc}(W\tau) d\tau\right).$$

Answer the following questions with regard to $s(t)$.

- If $s(t)$ is an FM modulated signal with $k = k_f$, identify $m(t)$. [1]
- If $s(t)$ is an FM modulated signal with $k = k_f$, find its transmission bandwidth using Carson's rule. [2]
- If $s(t)$ is a PM modulated signal with $k = k_p$, find its transmission bandwidth using Carson's rule. [2]

PROBLEM 4

(4 points) Answer the following questions:

- Consider the FM signal $\cos(2\pi f_i(t) t)$. You are given that $f_i(t) = f_c - \Delta f$ for $|t| < T/2$, and $f_i(t) = f_c$ for $|t| > T/2$. Find the Fourier transform of this signal. [2]
- Let $m_1(t) = \text{sinc}(Wt)$, where W is a positive number. You intend to transmit $m(t)$ using quadrature amplitude modulation at carrier frequency f_c (much larger than W) along with another real-valued signal $m_2(t)$ as follows:

$$s(t) = m_1(t) \cos(2\pi f_c t) - m_2(t) \sin(2\pi f_c t).$$

The spectrum of $s(t)$, denoted as $S(f)$, is known to be non-zero only for $f \in [f_c, f_c + W/2] \cup [-f_c - W/2, -f_c]$. What choice of $m_2(t)$ could produce this? [2]

PROBLEM 5

(6 points) Consider a narrow band FM signal defined as:

$$s(t) = A \cos(2\pi f_c t) - \beta A \sin(2\pi f_m t) \sin(2\pi f_c t)$$

where $\sin(2\pi f_m t)$ is the message signal.

- Determine the envelope of $s(t)$. What is the ratio of the maximum to the minimum value of this envelope? Plot this ratio versus β for $\beta \in [0, 0.3]$. [2]
- Determine the average power of the narrow band FM signal $s(t)$ as a fraction of the average power of the unmodulated carrier wave. Plot this ratio versus β for $\beta \in [0, 0.3]$. [2]
- By expanding the phase $\theta_i(t)$ of the narrow band FM signal $s(t)$ as a power series, and keeping $\beta \in [0, 0.3]$, we get

$$s(t) = \frac{e^{j\omega t} - e^{-j\omega t}}{2j}$$



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$$\theta_i(t) \approx 2\pi f_c t + a_1 \sin(2\pi f_m t) + a_2 \sin^3(2\pi f_m t).$$

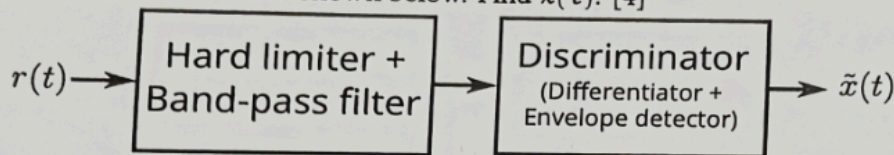
Find the values of a_1 and a_2 [2].

PROBLEM 6

(4 points) An FM radio in a car receives signals from two FM broadcasting transmitters. Thus, for a given carrier whose angular frequency is ω_c rad/s, the radio receives

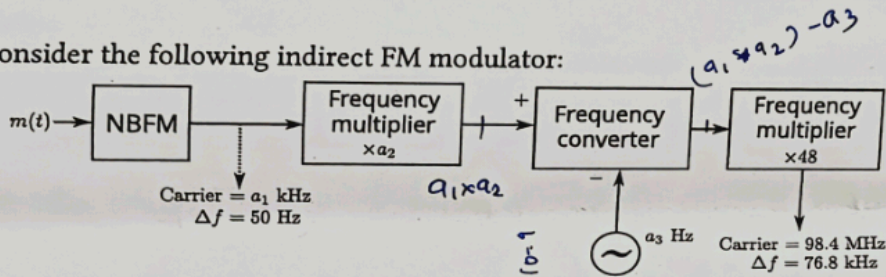
$$r(t) = A_1 \cos(\omega_c t + \phi_1(t)) + A_2 \cos(\omega_c t + \phi_2(t)).$$

The demodulator in the car radio is shown below. Find $\tilde{x}(t)$. [4]



PROBLEM 7

(4 points) Consider the following indirect FM modulator:



In the above, Δf is the maximum instantaneous frequency deviation of the signal. The frequency converter takes the input from the + terminal, and subtracts its frequency by a_3 Hz. In other words, the input $\cos(\omega_0 t + \phi)$ to this converter yields output $\cos(\omega_0 t - 2\pi a_3 t + \phi)$. Find the appropriate positive values of a_1 , a_2 and a_3 to obtain the desired FM signal, given that a_3 is between 10^7 and 1.1×10^7 Hz.

$$\left[(a_1 \times 10^3 \times a_2) - a_3 \right] \times 48 = 98.4$$

$$50 \times a_2$$

$$A_1 \cos \omega_1 t + A_2 \cos \omega_2 t$$

$$A \cos \alpha + B \cos \beta$$