

### Figure P3.4

**3.5** Consider the AM signal

$$s(t) = A_c[1 + \mu \cos(2\pi f_m t)]\cos(2\pi f_c t)$$

produced by a sinusoidal modulating signal of frequency  $f_m$ . Assume that the modulation factor is  $\mu = 2$ , and the carrier frequency  $f_c$  is much greater than  $f_m$ . The AM signal  $s(t)$  is applied to an ideal envelope detector, producing the output  $v(t)$ .

- Determine the Fourier series representation of  $v(t)$ .
- What is the ratio of second-harmonic amplitude to fundamental amplitude in  $v(t)$ ?

**3.6** Consider a *square-law detector*, using a nonlinear device whose transfer characteristic is defined by

$$v_2(t) = a_1 v_1(t) + a_2 v_1^2(t)$$

where  $a_1$  and  $a_2$  are constants,  $v_1(t)$  is the input, and  $v_2(t)$  is the output. The input consists of the AM wave

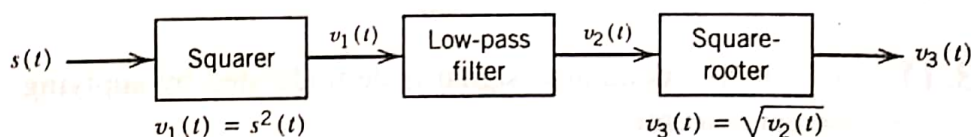
$$v_1(t) = A_c[1 + k_a m(t)]\cos(2\pi f_c t)$$

- Evaluate the output  $v_2(t)$ .
- Find the conditions for which the message signal  $m(t)$  may be recovered from  $v_2(t)$ .

**3.7** The AM signal

$$s(t) = A_c[1 + k_a m(t)]\cos(2\pi f_c t)$$

is applied to the system shown in Figure P3.7. Assuming that  $|k_a m(t)| < 1$  for all  $t$  and the message signal  $m(t)$  is limited to the interval  $-W \leq f \leq W$ , and that the carrier frequency  $f_c > 2W$ , show that  $m(t)$  can be obtained from the square-rooter output  $v_3(t)$ .



**Figure P3.7**

**3.8** Consider a message signal  $m(t)$  with the spectrum shown in Figure P3.8. The message bandwidth  $W = 1$  kHz. This signal is applied to a product modulator, together with a carrier wave  $A_c \cos(2\pi f_c t)$ , producing the DSB-SC modulated signal  $s(t)$ . The modulated signal is next applied to a coherent detector. Assuming perfect synchronism between the carrier waves in the modulator and detector, determine the spectrum of the detector output when:

- the carrier frequency  $f_c = 1.25$  kHz and
- the carrier frequency  $f_c = 0.75$  kHz.

What is the lowest carrier frequency for

which each component of the modulated signal  $s(t)$  is uniquely determined by  $m(t)$ ?

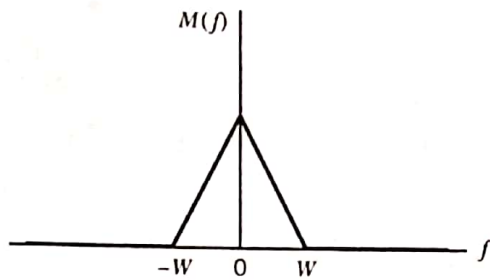


Figure P3.8

**3.9** Figure P3.9 shows the circuit diagram of a *balanced modulator*. The input applied to the top AM modulator is  $m(t)$ , whereas that applied to the lower AM modulator is  $-m(t)$ ; these two modulators have the same amplitude sensitivity. Show that the output  $s(t)$  of the balanced modulator consists of a DSB-SC modulated signal.

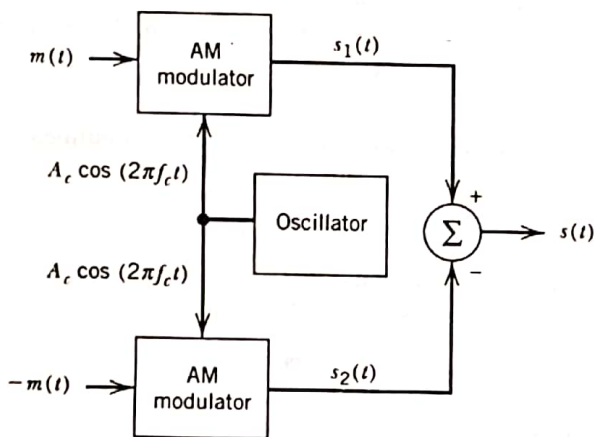


Figure P3.9

**3.10** Figure 3.10 shows the circuit details of the ring modulator. Assume that the diodes are identical and the transformers are perfectly balanced. Let  $R$  denote the terminating resistance at the input end and output end of the modulator (assuming ideal 1:1 transformers). Determine the output voltage of the modulator for each of the two conditions described in Figures 3.10b and 3.10c. Hence, show that these two output voltages are equal in magnitude and opposite in polarity.

**3.11** A DSB-SC modulated signal is demodulated by applying it to a coherent detector.

- Evaluate the effect of a frequency error  $\Delta f$  in the local carrier frequency of the detector, measured with respect to the carrier frequency of the incoming DSB-SC signal.
- For the case of a sinusoidal modulating wave, show that because of this frequency error, the demodulated signal exhibits *beats* at the error frequency. Illustrate your answer with a sketch of this demodulated signal.

**3.12** Consider the DSB-SC signal

$$s(t) = A_c \cos(2\pi f_c t) m(t)$$

where  $A_c \cos(2\pi f_c t)$  is the carrier wave and  $m(t)$  is the message signal. This modulated signal is applied to a square-law device characterized by

$$y(t) = s^2(t)$$

The output  $y(t)$  is next applied to a narrow-band filter with a passband amplitude response of one, mid-band frequency  $2f_c$ , and bandwidth  $\Delta f$ . Assume that  $\Delta f$  is small enough to treat the spectrum of  $y(t)$  as essentially constant inside the passband of the filter.

- Determine the spectrum of the square-law device output  $y(t)$ .
- Show that the filter output  $v(t)$  is approximately sinusoidal, given by

$$v(t) \approx \frac{A_c^2}{2} E \Delta f \cos(4\pi f_c t)$$

where  $E$  is the energy of the message signal  $m(t)$ .

**3.13** Consider the quadrature-carrier multiplex system of Figure 3.16. The multiplexed signal  $s(t)$  produced at the transmitter output in Figure 3.16a is applied to a communication channel with transfer function  $H(f)$ . The output of this channel is in turn applied to the receiver input in Figure 3.16b. Prove that the condition

$$H(f_c + f) = H^*(f_c - f), \quad 0 \leq f \leq W$$

is necessary for recovery of the message signals  $m_1(t)$  and  $m_2(t)$  at the receiver outputs;  $f_c$  is the carrier frequency, and  $W$  is the message bandwidth. *Hint:* Evaluate the spectra of the two received outputs.

**3.14** Suppose that in the receiver of the quadrature-carrier multiplex system of Figure 3.16 the local carrier available for demodulation has a phase error  $\phi$  with respect to the carrier source used in the transmitter. Assuming a distortionless communication channel between transmitter and receiver, show that this phase error will cause *cross-talk* to arise between the two demodulated signals at the receiver outputs. By cross-talk we mean that a portion of one message signal appears at the receiver output belonging to the other message signal, and vice versa.

**3.15** A particular version of *AM stereo* uses quadrature multiplexing. Specifically, the carrier  $A_c \cos(2\pi f_c t)$  is used to modulate the sum signal

$$m_1(t) = V_0 + m_l(t) + m_r(t)$$

where  $V_0$  is a dc offset included for the purpose of transmitting the carrier component,  $m_l$  is the left-hand audio signal, and  $m_r(t)$  is the right-hand audio signal. The quadrature carrier  $A_c \sin(2\pi f_c t)$  is used to modulate the difference signal

$$m_2(t) = m_l(t) - m_r(t)$$

- Show that an envelope detector may be used to recover the sum  $m_l(t) + m_r(t)$  from the quadrature-multiplexed signal. How would you minimize the signal distortion produced by the envelope detector?
- Show that a coherent detector can recover the difference  $m_l(t) - m_r(t)$ .
- How are the desired  $m_l(t)$  and  $m_r(t)$  finally obtained?



**3.16** The single tone modulating signal  $m(t) = A_m \cos(2\pi f_m t)$  is used to generate the VSB signal

$$s(t) = \frac{1}{2} a A_m A_c \cos[2\pi(f_c + f_m)t] + \frac{1}{2} A_m A_c (1 - a) \cos[2\pi(f_c - f_m)t]$$

where  $a$  is a constant, less than unity, representing the attenuation of the upper side frequency.

- (a) If we represent this VSB signal as a quadrature carrier multiplex

$$s(t) = A_c m_1(t) \cos(2\pi f_c t) + A_c m_2(t) \sin(2\pi f_c t)$$

What is  $m_2(t)$ ?

- (b) The VSB signal, plus the carrier  $A_c \cos(2\pi f_c t)$ , is passed through an envelope detector. Determine the distortion produced by the quadrature component,  $m_2(t)$ .
- (c) What is the value of constant  $a$  for which this distortion reaches its worst possible condition?

**3.17** Using the message signal

$$m(t) = \frac{1}{1 + t^2}$$

determine and sketch the modulated waves for the following methods of modulation:

- (a) Amplitude modulation with 50 percent modulation.  
(b) Double sideband-suppressed carrier modulation.

**3.18** The local oscillator used for the demodulation of an SSB signal  $s(t)$  has a frequency error  $\Delta f$  measured with respect to the carrier frequency  $f_c$  used to generate  $s(t)$ . Otherwise, there is perfect synchronism between this oscillator in the receiver and the oscillator supplying the carrier wave in the transmitter. Evaluate the demodulated signal for the following two situations:

- (a) The SSB signal  $s(t)$  consists of the upper sideband only.  
(b) The SSB signal  $s(t)$  consists of the lower sideband only.

**3.19** Figure P3.19 shows the block diagram of *Weaver's method* for generating SSB modulated waves. The message (modulating) signal  $m(t)$  is limited to the frequency band  $f_a \leq |f| \leq f_b$ . The auxiliary carrier applied to the first pair of product modulators has a frequency  $f_0$ , which lies at the center of this band, as shown by

$$f_0 = \frac{f_a + f_b}{2}$$

The low-pass filters in the upper and lower branches are identical, each with a cutoff frequency equal to  $(f_b - f_a)/2$ . The carrier applied to the second pair of product modulators has a frequency  $f_c$  that is greater than  $(f_b - f_a)/2$ . Sketch the spectra at the various points in the modulator of Figure P3.19, and hence show that:

- (a) For the lower sideband, the contributions of the upper and lower branches are of opposite polarity, and by adding them at the modulator output, the lower sideband is suppressed.  
(b) For the upper sideband, the contributions of the upper and lower branches are of the same polarity, and by adding them, the upper sideband is transmitted.

- (c) How would you modify the modulator of Figure P3.19, so that only the lower sideband is transmitted?

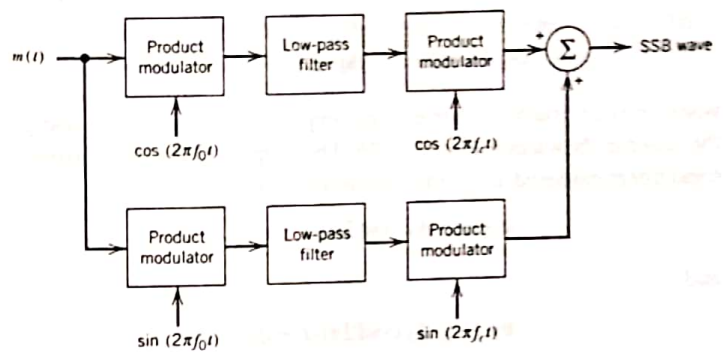


Figure P3.19

**3.20**

- (a) Consider a message signal  $m(t)$  containing frequency components at 100, 200, and 400 Hz. This signal is applied to an SSB modulator together with a carrier at 100 kHz, with only the upper sideband retained. In the coherent detector used to recover  $m(t)$ , the local oscillator supplies a sine wave of frequency 100.02 kHz. Determine the frequency components of the detector output.
- (b) Repeat your analysis, assuming that only the lower sideband is transmitted.

**3.21** The spectrum of a voice signal  $m(t)$  is zero outside the interval  $f_a \leq |f| \leq f_b$ . In order to ensure communication privacy, this signal is applied to a *scrambler* that consists of the following cascade of components: a product modulator, a high-pass filter, a second product modulator, and a low-pass filter. The carrier wave applied to the first product modulator has a frequency equal to  $f_c$ , whereas that applied to the second product modulator has a frequency equal to  $f_b + f_c$ ; both of them have unit amplitude. The high-pass and low-pass filters have the same cutoff frequency at  $f_c$ . Assume that  $f_c > f_b$ .

- (a) Derive an expression for the scrambler output  $s(t)$ , and sketch its spectrum.  
(b) Show that the original voice signal  $m(t)$  may be recovered from  $s(t)$  by using an *unscrambler* that is identical to the unit described above.

**3.22** A method that is used for carrier recovery in SSB modulation systems involves transmitting two pilot frequencies that are appropriately positioned with respect to the transmitted sideband. This is illustrated in Figure P3.22a for the case when only the lower sideband is transmitted. In this case, the pilot frequencies  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are defined by

$$f_1 = f_c - W - \Delta f$$

and

$$f_2 = f_c + \Delta f$$

**3.24** Consider a multiplex system in which four input signals  $m_1(t)$ ,  $m_2(t)$ ,  $m_3(t)$ , and  $m_4(t)$ , are respectively multiplied by the carrier waves

$$\begin{aligned} & [\cos(2\pi f_a t) + \cos(2\pi f_b t)] \\ & [\cos(2\pi f_a t + \alpha_1) + \cos(2\pi f_b t + \beta_1)] \\ & [\cos(2\pi f_a t + \alpha_2) + \cos(2\pi f_b t + \beta_2)] \\ & [\cos(2\pi f_a t + \beta_3) + \cos(2\pi f_b t + \beta_3)] \end{aligned}$$

and the resulting DSB-SC signals are summed and then transmitted over a common channel. In the receiver, demodulation is achieved by multiplying the sum of the DSB-SC signals by the four carrier waves separately and then using filtering to remove the unwanted components.

- (a) Determine the conditions that the phase angles  $\alpha_1$ ,  $\alpha_2$ ,  $\alpha_3$  and  $\beta_1$ ,  $\beta_2$ ,  $\beta_3$  must satisfy in order that the output of the  $k$ th demodulator is  $m_k(t)$ , where  $k = 1, 2, 3, 4$ .
- (b) Determine the minimum separation of carrier frequencies  $f_a$  and  $f_b$  in relation to the bandwidth of the input signals so as to ensure a satisfactory operation of the system.