

EE910: Digital Communication Systems-I

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Lecture #2B: Representation of lowpass and bandpass signals



Commonly Used Signals

- Rectangular signal

$$\Pi(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & |t| < \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & t = \pm \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

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Commonly Used Signals

- Sinc signal

$$\text{sinc}(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin(\pi t)}{\pi t} & t \neq 0 \\ 1 & t = 0 \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

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Commonly Used Signals

- Signum signal

$$\text{sgn}(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & t > 0 \\ -1 & t < 0 \\ 0 & t = 0 \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

Commonly Used Signals

- Unit step signal

$$u_{-1}(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & t > 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & t = 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

Commonly Used Signals

- Triangular signal

$$\Lambda(t) = \Pi(t) * \Pi(t) = \begin{cases} t+1 & -1 \leq t \leq 0 \\ -t+1 & 0 \leq t < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

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Signals and their frequency spectrums

- Fourier transform of a real signal $x(t)$ has *Hermitian* symmetry, i.e. $X(-f) = X^*(f)$ or

$$|X(-f)| = |X(f)| \quad \text{and} \quad \angle X(-f) = -\angle X(f)$$

- The *positive spectrum* and the *negative spectrum*

$$X_+(f) = \begin{cases} X(f) & f > 0 \\ \frac{1}{2}X(0) & f = 0 \\ 0 & f < 0 \end{cases} \quad X_-(f) = \begin{cases} X(f) & f < 0 \\ \frac{1}{2}X(0) & f = 0 \\ 0 & f > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$X_+(f) = X(f)u_{-1}(f), \quad (u_{-1}(\cdot) \text{ is unit-step func.})$$

$$X_-(f) = X(f)u_{-1}(-f)$$

$$X(f) = X_+(f) + X_-(f) = X_+(f) + X_+^*(-f) \quad (\text{for real signal})$$

which means knowledge of $X_+(f)$ is sufficient to reconstruct $X(f)$

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Bandpass and lowpass signals

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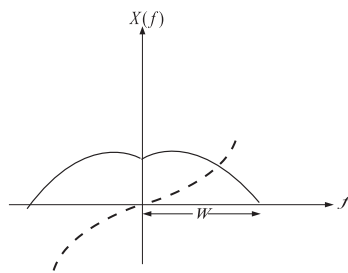


Figure: The spectrum of a real valued lowpass baseband signal

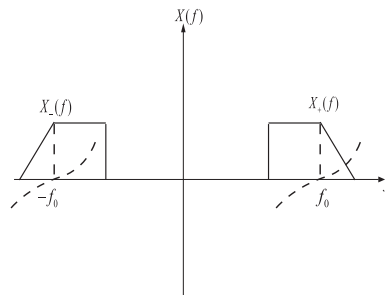


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Lowpass equivalent of bandpass signals

- The *analytic signal* or the *pre-envelope*, corresponding to $x(t)$ denoted by the signal $x_+(t)$ whose Fourier transform is $X_+(f)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_+(t) &= \mathcal{F}^{-1}[X_+(f)] \\
 &= \mathcal{F}^{-1}[X(f)u_{-1}(f)] \\
 &= x(t) * \left(\frac{1}{2}\delta(t) + j\frac{1}{2\pi t} \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2}x(t) + \frac{j}{2}\hat{x}(t)
 \end{aligned}$$

where, $\hat{x}(t)$ is *Hilbert transform* of $x(t)$.

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- Hilbert transform of $x(t)$

$$\hat{x}(t) = \frac{1}{\pi t} * x(t)$$

and

$$\mathcal{F}[\hat{x}(t)] = -j \operatorname{sgn}(f) X(f)$$

where

$$\operatorname{sgn}(f) = \begin{cases} -1 & f < 0 \\ 1 & f \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

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Lowpass equivalent of bandpass signals

- $x_l(t)$ denotes the *lowpass equivalent* or *complex envelope* of $x(t)$ whose Fourier transform is

$$X_l(f) = \mathcal{F}[x_l(t)] = 2X_+(f + f_0) = 2X(f + f_0)u_{-1}(f + f_0)$$

- Applying the modulation theorem of the Fourier transform

$$\begin{aligned} x_l(t) &= \mathcal{F}^{-1}[X_l(f)] = 2x_+(t)e^{-j2\pi f_0 t} \\ &= (x(t) + j\hat{x}(t))e^{-j2\pi f_0 t} \\ &= (x(t)\cos 2\pi f_0 t + \hat{x}(t)\sin 2\pi f_0 t) \\ &\quad + j(\hat{x}(t)\cos 2\pi f_0 t - x(t)\sin 2\pi f_0 t) \quad \text{(demodulation)} \end{aligned}$$

- We can write

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= \operatorname{Re}[x_l(t)e^{j2\pi f_0 t}] \quad \text{(modulation)} \\ \Rightarrow X(f) &= \frac{1}{2}[X_l(f - f_0) + X_l^*(-f - f_0)] \end{aligned}$$

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Lowpass equivalent of bandpass signals

- *In-phase component and quadrature component of $x_i(t)$*

$$x_l(t) = x_i(t) + jx_q(t))$$

where

$$x_i(t) = x(t)\cos 2\pi f_0 t + \hat{x}(t)\sin 2\pi f_0 t$$

$$x_q(t) = \hat{x}(t)\cos 2\pi f_0 t - x(t)\sin 2\pi f_0 t$$

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= x_i(t)\cos 2\pi f_0 t - x_q(t)\sin 2\pi f_0 t \\ \Rightarrow \hat{x}(t) &= x_q(t)\cos 2\pi f_0 t + x_i(t)\sin 2\pi f_0 t \end{aligned}$$

$$\hat{x}(t) = x_q(t)\cos 2\pi f_0 t + x_i(t)\sin 2\pi f_0 t$$

Lowpass equivalent of bandpass signals

- $x_l(t)$ in polar coordinates

$$\text{envelope of } x(t) \quad r_x(t) = \sqrt{x_i^2(t) + x_q^2(t)}$$

$$\text{phase of } x(t) \quad \theta_x(t) = \arctan \frac{x_q(t)}{x_i(t)}$$

$$\rightarrow x_I(t) = r_x(t)e^{j\theta_x(t)}$$

$$x(t) = \text{Re} [r_x(t)e^{(j2\pi f_0 t + \theta_x(t))}]$$

⇒ resulting in

$$x(t) = r_x(t)\cos(2\pi f_0 t + \theta_x(t))$$

Energy Considerations

- The *energy* of a signal $x(t)$ is defined is

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{E}_x &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)|^2 dt \\
 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |X(f)|^2 df \quad (\text{by Rayleigh's relation}) \\
 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |X_+(f) + X_-(f)|^2 df \quad (6) \\
 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |X_+(f)|^2 df + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |X_-(f)|^2 df \quad (\mathbf{X}_+(\mathbf{f})\mathbf{X}_-(\mathbf{f}) = \mathbf{0}) \\
 &= 2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |X_+(f)|^2 df \quad (\text{for real signals}) \\
 &= 2\mathcal{E}_{x_+} \quad (7)
 \end{aligned}$$

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Energy Considerations

recall,

$$\begin{aligned}
 X_l(f) &= 2X_+(f + f_0) \\
 \Rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| \frac{X_l(f)}{2} \right|^2 df &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |X_+(f)|^2 df
 \end{aligned}$$

therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{E}_x &= 2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |X_+(f)|^2 df \\
 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| \frac{X_l(f)}{2} \right|^2 df \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{E}_{x_l}
 \end{aligned}$$

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Energy Considerations

- Define *inner product of two signals* $x(t)$ and $y(t)$ as

$$\begin{aligned}\langle x(t), y(t) \rangle &\triangleq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) y^*(t) dt \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(f) Y^*(f) df \quad (\text{by Parseval's relation}) \\ \Rightarrow \mathcal{E}_x &= \langle x(t), x(t) \rangle\end{aligned}$$

- If $x(t)$ and $y(t)$ are two bandpass signals with lowpass equivalents $x_l(t)$ and $y_l(t)$ with respect to the same center frequency f_0 , then

$$\langle x(t), y(t) \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \text{Re} [\langle x_l(t), y_l(t) \rangle] \quad (8)$$

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Bandpass system

- A system whose transfer function is located around a frequency f_0 (far from origin) or, a system whose impulse response $h(t)$ is a bandpass signal. Since $h(t)$ is bandpass,

$$h(t) = \text{Re} [h_l(t) e^{j2\pi f_0 t}]$$

- If a bandpass signal $x(t)$ is passed through a bandpass system with impulse response $h(t)$ then its output $y(t)$ is also a bandpass signal

$$Y(f) = X(f) H(f)$$

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Lowpass equivalent of a bandpass system

- Spectrum of its lowpass equivalent $Y_l(f)$

$$\begin{aligned} Y_l(f) &= 2Y(f + f_0)u_{-1}(f + f_0) \\ &= 2H(f + f_0)X(f + f_0)u_{-1}(f + f_0) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [2X(f + f_0)u_{-1}(f + f_0)] [2H(f + f_0)u_{-1}(f + f_0)] \text{ (true if } f > f_0) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} X_l(f)H_l(f) \end{aligned}$$