

Introduction to Communication Systems
Homework 9
SOLUTIONS

1. Consider an FM system that has a pre-detection SNR of 14dB and achieves a post-detection SNR of 30dB. If the message has a normalized average power of 1W and a bandwidth of 50kHz. Using Carson's rule (and assuming that the pre-detection SNR exceeds the necessary threshold) estimate the transmission bandwidth of the FM signal.

SOLUTION:

$$SNR_{pre}^{FM} = 14dB$$

$$SNR_{post}^{FM} = 30dB$$

Normalized average power of the message is then,

$$1W = \overline{\left(\frac{m}{V_p}\right)^2}$$

$$W = 50kHz$$

$$\frac{SNR_{pre}^{FM}}{SNR_{post}^{FM}} = 6D_f^2 (D_f + 1) \overline{\left(\frac{m}{V_p}\right)^2}$$

$$\frac{10^3}{10^{1.4}} = 6D_f^2 (D_f + 1) \cdot 1$$

$$D_f = 1.598$$

Using Carson's Rule,

$$\begin{aligned} B_T &= 2(D_f + 1)W \\ &= 2(1.598 + 1)50kHz \\ &= 259.8kHz \end{aligned}$$

2. Repeat problem #1 assuming that pre-emphasis is used with $f_{3dB} = 10kHz$.

SOLUTION:

With pre-emphasis,

$$\frac{SNR_{pre}^{FM}}{SNR_{post}^{FM}} = 2D_f^2 (D_f + 1) \left(\frac{W}{f_{3dB}}\right)^2 \overline{\left(\frac{m}{V_p}\right)^2}$$

$$\frac{10^3}{10^{1.4}} = 2D_f^2 (D_f + 1) \left(\frac{50kHz}{10kHz}\right)^2 \cdot 1$$

$$D_f = 0.687$$

$$B_T = 2(D_f + 1)W = 168.7kHz$$

3. Consider a message signal $m(t) = \cos(400\pi t)$ that is transmitted via FM. If the final filter has an ideal characteristic from 100Hz to 300Hz, determine the post-detection SNR. (Assume that $k_f = 1\text{kHz/volt}$ and that the pre-detection SNR is 500.)

SOLUTION:

$$\begin{aligned}
 m(t) &= \cos(400\pi t) \rightarrow FM \\
 k_f &= 1\text{kHz/volt} \\
 SNR_{pre}^{FM} &= 500 \\
 SNR_{post}^{FM} &= ? \\
 \Rightarrow SNR_{pre}^{FM} &= \frac{A_c^2}{2N_o B_T} = 500 \\
 B_T &= 2(\Delta f + f_m) = 2(k_f A_m + f_m) \\
 &= 2\left(1000 \frac{\text{Hz}}{\text{volt}} \cdot 1\text{volt} + 200\text{Hz}\right) = 2400\text{Hz} \\
 \therefore \frac{A_c^2}{N_o} &= 1000 \cdot B_T = 2.4 \times 10^6 \text{ Hz}
 \end{aligned}$$

The post detection filter is not ideal with unity gain from 0 to W and zero for higher frequencies. Consequently, we must re-evaluate the post-detection noise using Eq. (9.58)

Average post-detection noise power is equal to

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{N_o}{A_c^2} \int_{100}^{300} f^2 df \\
 &= \frac{N_o}{A_c^2} \frac{1}{3} (300^3 - 100^3) = \frac{N_o}{3A_c^2} (2.6 \times 10^7) \\
 \therefore SNR_{post}^{FM} &= \frac{k_f^2 \overline{m^2(t)} \cdot 3A_c^2}{N_o (2.6 \times 10^7)} \\
 &= \frac{A_c^2}{N_o} \cdot \frac{k_f^2 \overline{m^2(t)} \cdot 3}{2.6 \times 10^7} \\
 &= 2.4 \times 10^6 \cdot \frac{(1000)^2 (0.5)(3)}{2.6 \times 10^7} \\
 &= 138461.5 = 51.4\text{dB}
 \end{aligned}$$

4. Suppose that the spectrum of a modulating signal occupies the frequency band $f_1 \leq |f| \leq f_2$. To accommodate this signal, the receiver of an FM system (without pre-emphasis) uses an ideal band-pass filter connected to the output of the FM detector. The filter passes frequencies in the interval $f_1 \leq |f| \leq f_2$. Determine the post-detection SNR and compare it to the baseband reference SNR.

SOLUTION:

This problem is very similar to problem 3.

Since the post detection filter is no longer an ideal brickwall filter, we must revert to Eq. (9.58) to compute the post-detection noise power. (also in the slide #13 of lecture 20)

$$\begin{aligned}
 N &= \int_{-f_2}^{-f_1} P_n(f) df + \int_{f_1}^{f_2} P_n(f) df \\
 &= \frac{N_o}{A_c^2} \left[\int_{-f_2}^{-f_1} f^2 df + \int_{f_1}^{f_2} f^2 df \right] \\
 &= \frac{2N_o}{3A_c^2} (f_2^3 - f_1^3) \\
 \therefore SNR_{post}^{FM} &= \frac{3A_c^2 k_f^2 \overline{m^2(t)}}{2N_o (f_2^3 - f_1^3)} \\
 SNR_{ref} &= \frac{A_c^2}{2N_o (f_2 - f_1)}
 \end{aligned}$$

The corresponding figure of merit is

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{SNR_{post}^{FM}}{SNR_{ref}} \\
 &= \frac{3A_c^2 k_f^2 \overline{m^2(t)}}{2N_o (f_2^3 - f_1^3)} \cdot \frac{2N_o (f_2 - f_1)}{A_c^2} \\
 &= \frac{3k_f^2 \overline{m^2(t)}}{f_2^2 + f_2 f_1 + f_1^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

5. The signal $\text{sinc}(100t)$ is sampled at a rate of 300Hz. Plot the spectrum of the sampled signal.

SOLUTION:

$$g(t) = \text{sinc}(100t)$$

Sampled at a rate of 300 Hz.

$$f_s = 300\text{Hz} \rightarrow T_s = \frac{1}{300} \text{s}$$

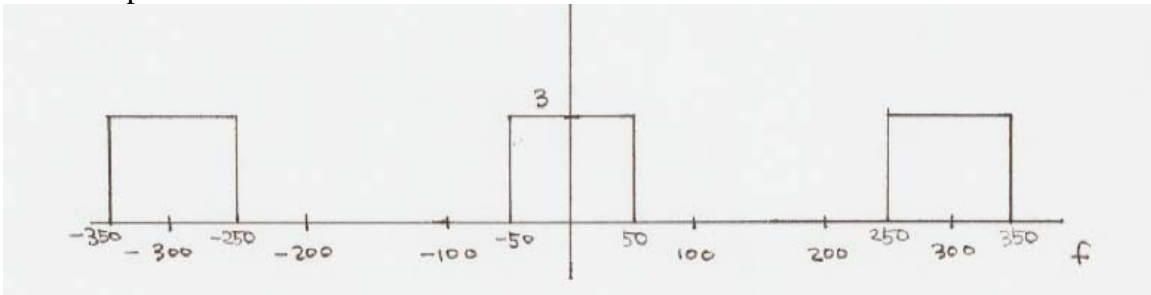
The sampled signal can be represented by

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} g(nT_s)\delta(t-nT_s) \\ &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \text{sinc}\left(\frac{n}{300}\right)\delta\left(t-\frac{n}{300}\right) \end{aligned}$$

The spectrum of this sampled signal is

$$\begin{aligned} G(f) &= \frac{1}{100} \text{rect}\left(\frac{f}{100}\right) \\ G_s(f) &= f_s \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} G(f-mf_s) \\ &= 300 \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{100} \text{rect}\left(\frac{f-300m}{100}\right) \\ &= 3 \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \text{rect}\left(\frac{f-300m}{100}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Which is plotted here:



6. Suppose that an analog signal is found to have a bandwidth of 35 kHz and that samples of the signal may be modeled as having a uniform distribution. Find the minimum bit rate at which it would be possible to transmit a digital version of the music signal while maintaining an average SNR of at least 65dB.

SOLUTION:

$$f_s \geq 2B = 35000 \times 2 = 70000 \frac{\text{samples}}{\text{sec}}$$

$$\left(\frac{S}{N}\right)_{\text{avg}} = M^2$$

$$10 \log M^2 \geq 65 \text{dB} = 1778.28$$

Since M is in the form of 2^n when n is an integer, the smallest M is $2048 = 2^{11}$.

Thus,

$$n \geq 11 \frac{\text{bits}}{\text{sample}}$$

Therefore, the minimum bit rate is

$$\begin{aligned} & 70000 \frac{\text{samples}}{\text{sec}} \cdot \frac{11 \text{bits}}{\text{sample}} \\ &= 770000 \frac{\text{bits}}{\text{sec}} \\ &= 770 \text{kbps} \end{aligned}$$