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Lecture #14: Representation of  
Bandpass Signals



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**Review**



- We have been examining the transmission of analog (or digital) information signals in a *digital* communications system
- To date we have examined
  - Conversion of an analog signal to a string of bits
    - Sampling
    - Quantization
  - Mapping those bits onto a *baseband* waveform
    - Line codes
    - Pulse trains
- Starting with the last lecture we began discussing the mapping of bits onto a *bandpass* waveform (sinusoidal modulation)
- What to read – Section 3.8 in the text

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**Lecture Objectives**



- The objective of this lecture is to show that there are three main ways of representing a bandpass signal using only baseband signals.
- We also wish to show that the three bandpass representations are equivalent.

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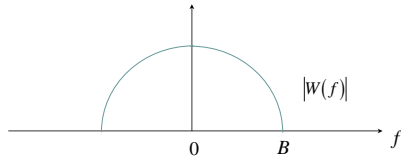
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## Baseband Signals



- A baseband signal  $w(t)$  with bandwidth  $B$  is a signal for which  $W(f)$  is non-negligible for  $|f| \leq B$  and for which  $W(f) \approx 0$  for  $|f| > B$



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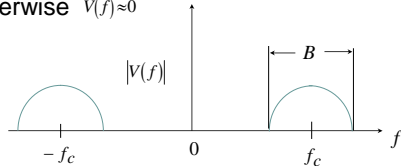
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## Bandpass Signals



- A bandpass signal  $v(t)$  with bandwidth  $B$  is a signal for which  $V(f)$  is non-negligible some region about  $\pm f_c$  and for which otherwise  $V(f) \approx 0$



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## Modulation



- So far, we have dealt primarily with baseband signals
- Baseband signals  $w(t)$  may be transformed into bandpass signals through multiplication by a sinusoid:

$$w(t)\cos(\omega_c t + \theta) \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2} [e^{j\theta}W(f - f_c) + e^{-j\theta}W(f + f_c)]$$

- Most transmitted signals are modulated onto a carrier because
  - Modulated signals propagate well through the atmosphere
  - Modulation allows many signals with different carrier frequencies to share the spectrum

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## Three Ways of Representing Bandpass Signals



- We will need some additional analytical tools to handle bandpass signals  $v(t)$

- Magnitude and Phase

$$v(t) = R(t) \cos[\omega_c t + \theta(t)]$$

- In Phase and Quadrature

$$v(t) = x(t) \cos(\omega_c t) - y(t) \sin(\omega_c t)$$

- Complex Envelope

$$v(t) = \text{Re} \left[ g(t) e^{j\omega_c t} \right]$$

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## Magnitude and Phase Representation



- Any bandpass signal can be represented as:

- $v(t) = R(t) \cos[\omega_c t + \theta(t)]$  where
- $R(t) \geq 0$  is a real valued baseband signal representing the magnitude of the signal
- $\theta(t)$  is a real valued baseband signal representing the phase of the signal

- The bandpass signal is modeled as a sinusoid whose amplitude and phase are time-varying.
- The representation is easy to interpret physically, but often is not mathematically convenient

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## Transmission of Information using Modulated Signals



- **Modulated signals can represent digital information through changing three parameters of the signal:**

- Amplitude:  $R(t)$

- "Amplitude Shift Keying" (ASK)
  - Or in analog systems we call it Amplitude Modulation (AM)

- Phase:  $\theta(t)$

- "Phase Shift Keying" (PSK)

- Frequency:  $d\theta(t)/dt$

- "Frequency Shift Keying" (FSK)
  - Or in analog systems we call it Frequency Modulation (FM)

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## In-phase and Quadrature (I&Q) Representation



- Any bandpass signal  $v(t)$  can also be represented as

- $v(t) = x(t)\cos(\omega_c t) - y(t)\sin(\omega_c t)$  where
- $x(t)$  is a real-valued baseband signal called the In-phase (I) component
- $y(t)$  is a real-valued baseband signal called the Quadrature (Q) component
- Note: the two components are *orthogonal*

- This is often a convenient form which:

- Emphasizes the fact that two signals may be transmitted within the same bandwidth
- Closely parallels the physical implementation of the transmitter and receiver

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## Relationship Between Magnitude/Phase and I/Q Forms:



- Beginning with the amplitude/phase representation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 v(t) &= R(t)\cos(\omega_c t + \theta(t)) \\
 &= R(t)[\cos(\omega_c t)\cos(\theta(t)) - \sin(\omega_c t)\sin(\theta(t))] \\
 &= \underbrace{R(t)\cos(\theta(t))}_{x(t)}\cos(\omega_c t) - \underbrace{R(t)\sin(\theta(t))}_{y(t)}\sin(\omega_c t) \\
 &\quad \text{In-phase} \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{Quadrature}
 \end{aligned}$$

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## Relationship Between Magnitude/Phase and I/Q Forms:



- To transform from Magnitude/Phase to I/Q

$$x(t) = R(t)\cos\theta(t)$$

$$y(t) = R(t)\sin\theta(t)$$

- To transform from I/Q to Magnitude/Phase

- $R(t) = \sqrt{x^2(t) + y^2(t)}$

$$\theta(t) = \tan^{-1}\left[\frac{y(t)}{x(t)}\right]$$

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## I and Q Portions of the Signal are Orthogonal



- Look at the correlation between

- I portion:  $x(t)\cos(\omega_c t)$

- Q portion:  $-y(t)\sin(\omega_c t)$

$$\int_0^{T_p} x(t)\cos(\omega_c t) \cdot y(t)\sin(\omega_c t) dt$$

$$= \int_0^{T_p} x(t)y(t) \frac{1}{2} [\sin(\omega_c t - \omega_c t) + \sin(\omega_c t + \omega_c t)] dt$$

$$= \int_0^{T_p} x(t)y(t) \frac{1}{2} [\sin(0) + \sin(2\omega_c t)] dt \approx 0$$

Note that  $x(t)$  and  $y(t)$  change slowly compared to  $\sin(2\omega_c t)$

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## Complex Envelope (or Baseband) Representation



- Any bandpass signal can also be represented as

- $v(t) = \text{Re}[g(t)e^{j\omega_c t}]$  where

- $g(t)$  is a complex-valued baseband signal called the complex envelope

- This form is convenient many instances for analysis because it is

- Compact
- Easy to manipulate complex exponentials without recourse to trigonometric identities

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## Relationship Between Complex Envelope and I/Q Forms:



- We would like to deal with only the *baseband* portion of the *bandpass* signal

$$v(t) = \underbrace{x(t)}_{\text{baseband}} \cos(\omega_c t) - \underbrace{y(t)}_{\text{baseband}} \sin(\omega_c t)$$

- Since the I and Q portions of the signal are orthogonal, we can represent the baseband parts with an *orthogonal representation*. One such representation is complex notation.

$$g(t) = \underbrace{x(t)}_{\text{baseband}} + j \underbrace{y(t)}_{\text{baseband}}$$

- Thus the term, *complex baseband* notation

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## Relationship Between Complex Envelope and I/Q Forms:



- Proof:

- Let  $g(t) = a(t) + j b(t)$

$$\begin{aligned} v(t) &= \text{Re}\{g(t)e^{j\omega_c t}\} \\ &= \text{Re}\{[a(t) + jb(t)][\cos(\omega_c t) + j \sin(\omega_c t)]\} \\ &= \text{Re}\{[a(t)\cos(\omega_c t) - b(t)\sin(\omega_c t)] + j[a(t)\sin(\omega_c t) + b(t)\cos(\omega_c t)]\} \\ &= a(t)\cos(\omega_c t) - b(t)\sin(\omega_c t) \end{aligned}$$

- Thus, 
$$g(t) = \underbrace{x(t)}_{\text{baseband}} + j \underbrace{y(t)}_{\text{baseband}}$$

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## Relationship Between Complex Envelope and I/Q Forms:



- To transform from Complex Envelope to I/Q:

$$x(t) = \text{Re}[g(t)]$$

$$y(t) = \text{Im}[g(t)]$$

- To transform from I/Q to complex envelope:

$$g(t) = x(t) + jy(t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} v(t) &= \text{Re}[g(t)e^{j\omega_c t}] \\ &= \text{Re}[(x(t) + jy(t)) \cdot (\cos \omega_c t + j \sin \omega_c t)] \\ &= x(t)\cos \omega_c t - y(t)\sin \omega_c t \end{aligned}$$

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## Relationship Between Complex Envelope and Magnitude/Phase Forms:



- To transform from Complex Envelope to Magnitude/Phase:

$$\begin{aligned} R(t) &= \sqrt{x^2(t) + y^2(t)} \\ &= |g(t)| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \theta(t) &= \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y(t)}{x(t)}\right) \\ &= \angle g(t) \end{aligned}$$

- To transform from Magnitude/Phase to Complex Envelope:

$$g(t) = |g(t)|e^{j\angle g(t)} = R(t)e^{j\theta(t)}$$

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## Relationship Between Spectral Representations



- Assume:

$$v(t) = \text{Re}\{g(t)e^{j\omega_c t}\}$$

- Fourier Transform (Deterministic Signals):

$$V(f) = \frac{1}{2}[G(f - f_c) + G^*(-f - f_c)]$$

- Power Spectral Density (Random Signals):

$$P_v(f) = \frac{1}{4}[P_g(f - f_c) + P_g(-f - f_c)]$$

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## Spectrum of Bandpass Signals



$$\begin{aligned} v(t) &= \text{Re}\{g(t)e^{j\omega_c t}\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2}g(t)e^{j\omega_c t} + \frac{1}{2}g^*(t)e^{-j\omega_c t} \\ V(f) &= F\left\{\frac{1}{2}g(t)e^{j\omega_c t} + \frac{1}{2}g^*(t)e^{-j\omega_c t}\right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2}F\{g(t)e^{j\omega_c t}\} + \frac{1}{2}F\{g^*(t)e^{-j\omega_c t}\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2}G(f - f_c) + \frac{1}{2}G^*(-f + f_c) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}G(f - f_c) + \frac{1}{2}G^*(-f - f_c) \end{aligned}$$

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## Relationship Between Power of Bandpass and Complex Envelope Representations



- Power of bandpass signal is one half of power in complex envelope:

$$P_v = R_v(0) = \frac{1}{2}\langle |g(t)|^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2}R_g(0) = \frac{1}{2}P_g$$

- This is because:

$$R_v(\tau) = \frac{1}{2}\text{Re}\{R_g(\tau)e^{j\omega_c \tau}\}$$

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## Proof:



$$\begin{aligned} R_x(\tau) &= \langle v(t)v(t+\tau) \rangle \\ &= \langle \text{Re}\{g(t)e^{j\omega_c t}\} \text{Re}\{g(t+\tau)e^{j\omega_c(t+\tau)}\} \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \langle \text{Re}\{g^*(t)g(t+\tau)e^{-j\omega_c t}e^{j\omega_c(t+\tau)}\} \rangle \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \langle \text{Re}\{g(t)g(t+\tau)e^{j\omega_c t}e^{j\omega_c(t+\tau)}\} \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \text{Re}\left\{ \langle g^*(t)g(t+\tau) \rangle e^{j\omega_c \tau} \right\} + \frac{1}{2} \text{Re}\left\{ \underbrace{\langle g(t)g(t+\tau)e^{j2\omega_c t} \rangle}_{\text{negligible}} e^{j\omega_c \tau} \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \text{Re}\{R_x(\tau)e^{j\omega_c \tau}\} \end{aligned}$$

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## In-class drill



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## Summary



- Today we described three ways of representing bandpass signals
  - Magnitude/Phase representation
  - In-phase/Quadrature representation
  - Complex baseband representation
- Each representation has its own usefulness
- We will heavily rely on the I/Q and the complex baseband representations throughout the course

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