



Communication Fundamentals

Modulation Process 2

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Introduction

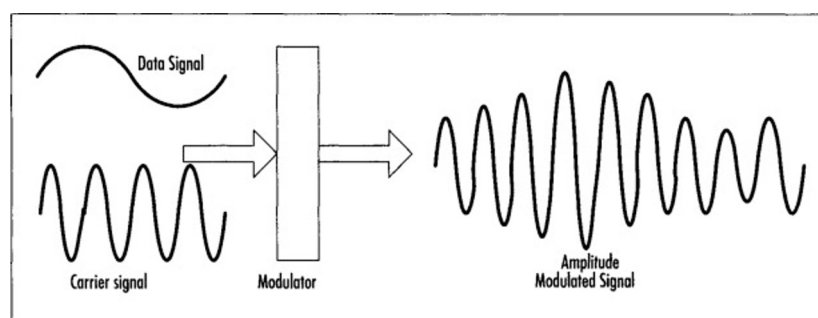
Electronic communication systems can be categorized by the types of information signals transmitted by the system.

- There are two types of signal “Analog and Digital”.
- An analog signal is a continuously varying signal, such as a sine wave tone. Voice and video signals are analog signals.
- A digital has only two distinct levels, high and low, digital TV signal or ON/OFF.

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Introduction Modulation



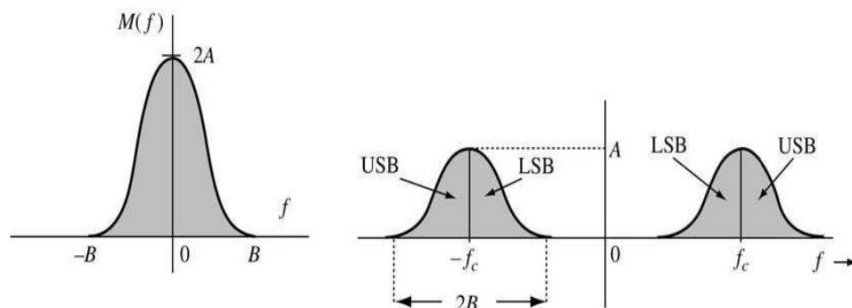
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Double Side Band Suppressed Carrier (DSB-SC)

Both side bands are called **Double Side Band (DSB)**. Since the carrier component is not present in the spectrum of the modulated (DSB-SC) signal then the signal is called **suppressed carrier (SC)**. Thus, the signal is called Both side bands are called Double Side Band (DSB). Since the carrier component is not present in the spectrum of the modulated **Double Side Band Suppressed Carrier (DSB-SC)**.



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Double Side Band Suppressed Carrier (DSB-SC)

DSB-SC is the first type of Amplitude Modulation methods:

Time domain expression:

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi_{\text{DSB-SC}}(t) &= m(t) \cdot v_c(t) \\ &= m(t) \cdot A_c \cdot \cos(\omega_c t)\end{aligned}$$

For single tone $m(t) = A_m \cos(\omega_m t)$:

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi_{\text{DSB-SC}}(t) &= A_m \cdot A_c \cos(\omega_m t) \cdot \cos(\omega_c t) \\ &= \frac{A_m \cdot A_c}{2} [\cos(\omega_c + \omega_m) t + \cos(\omega_c - \omega_m) t]\end{aligned}$$

Usually, in DSB-SC the amplitude of the carrier is taken to be 1 ($A_c = 1$). Then above equation can be written as:

$$\varphi_{\text{DSB-SC}}(t) = \frac{A_m}{2} [\cos(\omega_c + \omega_m) t + \cos(\omega_c - \omega_m) t]$$

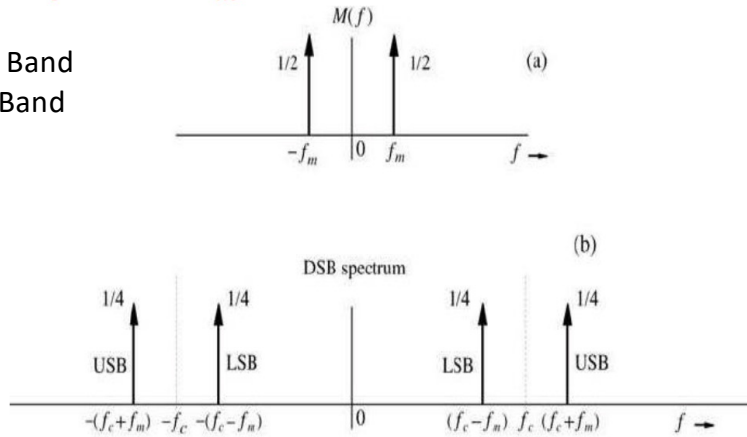
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Double Side Band Suppressed Carrier (DSB-SC)

The spectrum of the message $M(f)$ (single tone) and the spectrum of the DSB-SC signals are given below: For $A_c = 1$ and $A_m = 1$

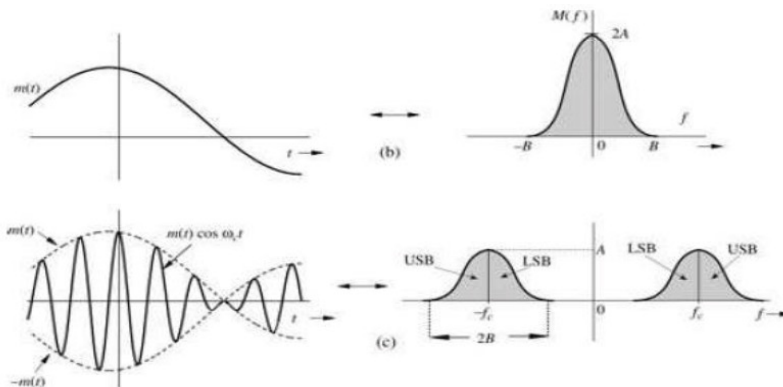
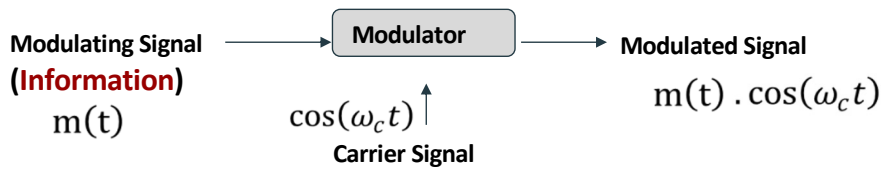
- **USB** = Upper Side Band
- **LSB** = Lower Side Band



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Modulator of Double Side Band Suppressed Carrier (DSB-SC)



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Sidebands and the Frequency Domain

- Whenever a carrier is modulated by an information signal, new signals at different frequencies are generated as part of the process.
- These new frequencies, which are called Side Frequencies, or Sidebands, occur in the frequency spectrum directly above and directly below the carrier frequency.

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Sidebands Calculation

- When only a single-frequency sine wave modulating signal is used, the modulation process generates two sidebands.
- The modulating signal is a complex wave, such as voice or video
- The upper sideband f_{USB} and lower sideband f_{LSB} are computed as:

$$f_{LSB} = f_c - f_m$$

$$f_{USB} = f_c + f_m$$

f_c : The Carrier Frequency.

f_m : The Modulating Frequency.

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Sidebands Calculation

For example, assume that a 400-Hz tone modulates a 300-kHz carrier. The upper and lower sidebands are

$$f_{USB} = f_c + f_m = 300,000 + 400 = 300,400 \text{ Hz or } 300.4 \text{ kHz}$$

$$f_{LSB} = f_c - f_m = 300,000 - 400 = 299,600 \text{ Hz or } 299.6 \text{ kHz}$$

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Sidebands Calculation

The existence of sidebands can be demonstrated mathematically, starting with the equation for an AM signal described:

$$v_{AM} = V_c \cos \omega_c t + (V_m \cos \omega_m t) \cos \omega_c t$$

By using the trigonometric identity that says that the product of two cosine waves is:

$$\cos A \cos B = \frac{1}{2} [\cos(A - B) + \cos(A + B)]$$

$$v_{AM} = V_c \cos \omega_c t + \frac{V_m}{2} \cos(\omega_c - \omega_m)t + \frac{V_m}{2} \cos(\omega_c + \omega_m)t$$

$$= V_c \cos \omega_c t + \frac{V_m}{2} \cos 2\pi(f_c - f_m)t + \frac{V_m}{2} \cos 2\pi(f_c + f_m)t$$

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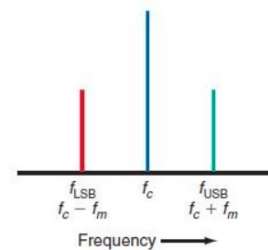
Frequency-Domain Representation of AM

Another method of showing the sideband signals is to plot the carrier and sideband amplitudes concerning frequency.

The signals may be voltage, current, or power amplitudes.

A plot of signal amplitude versus frequency is referred to as a frequency-domain display.

A test instrument is known as a spectrum analyser is used to display the frequency domain of a signal.



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Bandwidth of AM signal

- The amount of space in the frequency spectrum required by the signal is called the BANDWIDTH of the signal.
- The bandwidth of a modulated wave is a function of the frequencies contained in the modulating signal.
- For example, when a 100-kilohertz carrier is modulated by a 5-kilohertz audio tone, sideband frequencies are created at 95 and 105 kilohertz. This signal requires 10 kilohertz of space in the spectrum.

$$\mathbf{B.W} = f_{USB} - f_{LSB} \quad \text{Or} \quad \mathbf{B.W} = 2 f_m$$

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Example:

A standard AM broadcast station is allowed to transmit **modulating frequencies up to 5 kHz**. If the **AM station is transmitting on a frequency of 980 kHz**, compute the maximum and minimum upper and lower sidebands and the total bandwidth occupied by the AM station.

Solution :

$$f_{USB} = f_c + f_m = 980 + 5 = 985 \text{ kHz}$$

$$f_{LSB} = f_c - f_m = 980 - 5 = 975 \text{ kHz}$$

$$\text{B.W} = f_{USB} - f_{LSB} = 985 - 975 = 10 \text{ kHz}$$

$$\text{B.W} = 2 f_m = 2 * 5 = 10 \text{ kHz}$$

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Example:

An AM radio transmitter operating on 3.9 MHz is modulated by frequencies up to 4 kHz.

What are the maximum upper and lower side frequencies?

What is the total bandwidth of the AM signal?

Solution :

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Solution :

$$f_{USB} = f_c + f_m = 3900 \text{ kHz} + 4 \text{ kHz} = 3904 \text{ kHz or } 3.904 \text{ MHz}$$

$$f_{LSB} = f_c - f_m = 3900 \text{ kHz} - 4 \text{ kHz} = 3896 \text{ kHz or } 3.896 \text{ MHz}$$

$$\mathbf{B.W} = f_{USB} - f_{LSB} = 3904 - 3896 = 8 \text{ KHz}$$

$$\mathbf{B.W} = 2 f_m = 2 * 4 = 8 \text{ KHz}$$

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