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COURSE CODE: EE442

TIME ALLOWED: THREE HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. There are five questions in this paper. Answer any **FOUR** questions. Each question carries 25 marks.
2. If you think not enough data has been given in any question you may assume any reasonable values.

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QUESTION ONE (25 marks)

- (a) A square pulse signal with 50% duty cycle ($t_{off} = t_{on}$) is shown in Figure-Q1(a). Find the Fourier series for this signal.

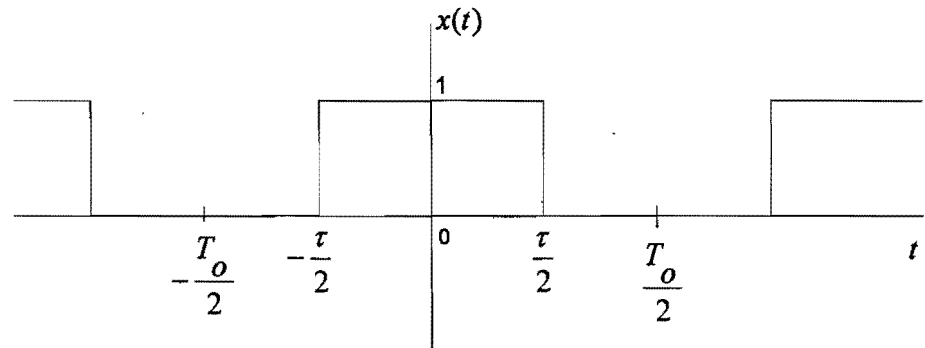


Figure - Q1(a)

(8 marks)

- (b) A square wave signal which can be represented by,

$$x(t) = \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)} \cos[2\pi(2n+1)f_o t]$$

is given to the input of a filter. The frequency response function $H(f)$ of the filter is shown in Figure-Q1(b).

- (i) Determine the output signal of the filter if the period of the input signal is 10^{-5} seconds.

(12 marks)

- (ii) Calculate the power content of the output signal.

(5 marks)

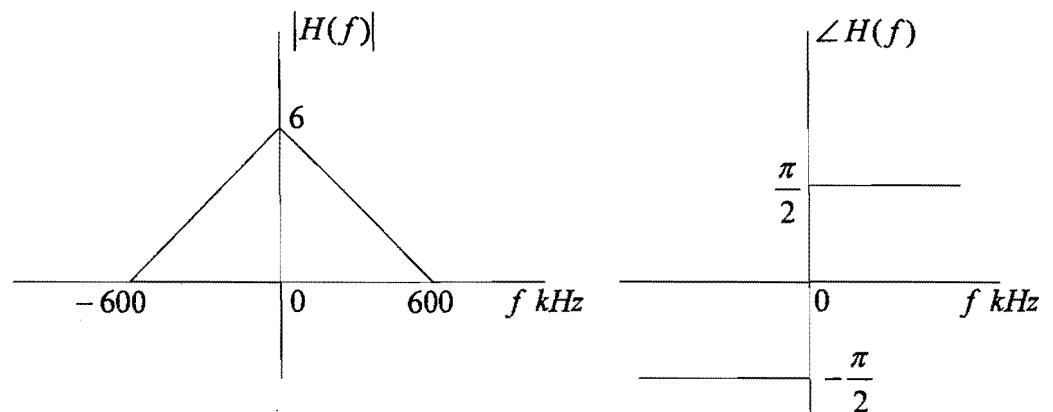


Figure - Q1(b)

QUESTION TWO (25 marks)

- (a) One method of amplitude modulation (AM) is DSB-SC. Assume the message signal is $m(t) = a \cos 2\pi f_m t$ and the carrier signal is $c(t) = A_c \cos 2\pi f_c t$.

- (i) Find the DSB-SC signal and its sidebands.
- (ii) Derive and sketch the spectrum of the modulated signal.

(7 marks)

- (b) (i) Derive an expression for the power content of a DSB-SC signal if the message signal is indicated by $m(t)$.
- (iii) If $m(t) = 2 \cos(2 \times 10^3 \pi t)$ and the carrier $c(t) = 20 \cos(2 \times 10^6 \pi t)$, find the power content of the modulated signal and its sidebands.

(8 marks)

- (c) Show the block diagram of a DSB-SC demodulator and show its functionality using the signals involved.

(3 marks)

- (d) If a message signal $m(t) = \cos(600\pi t)$ modulates a carrier $c(t) = 10 \cos(4 \times 10^3 \pi t)$ with a modulation index of 0.5, derive the DSB-AM signal and the sidebands. Also calculate the power content of the modulated signal and its sidebands.

(7 marks)

QUESTION THREE (25 marks)

- (a) A sinusoidal signal $m(t) = 2\cos(2 \times 10^3\pi t)$ is used to frequency modulate a signal $c(t) = 5\cos(2 \times 10^5\pi t)$. Show that the modulated signal $u(t)$ can be expressed by

$$u(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} 5 J_n(\beta) \cos[2\pi(10^5 + 10^3 n)t]$$

where, β = modulation index

$J_n(\beta)$ = Bessel function of the first kind of order n

(8 marks)

- (b) The signal $c(t) = 5\cos(2 \times 10^5\pi t)$ is frequency modulated by a signal

$$m(t) = 2\cos(2 \times 10^3\pi t) \text{ with a modulator having modulator constant } k = 2 \frac{\text{kHz}}{\text{V}}.$$

Find the spectrum (frequencies with their amplitudes) of the modulated signal which will contain 99% of the modulated signal power.

(12 marks)

- (c) Draw the block diagram of a narrowband frequency modulator and show the signals in time domain at the input and output of each block.

(5 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (25 marks)

- (a) Calculate the noise voltage produced in a $10k\Omega$ resistance on a $1MHz$ bandwidth at a temperature of $27^{\circ}C$.

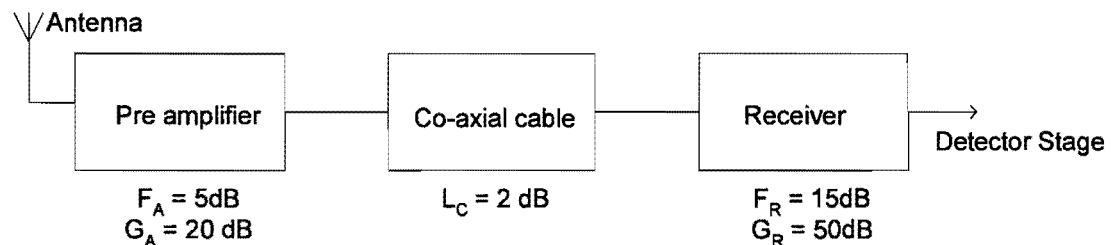
(3 marks)

- (b) An amplifier having a bandwidth of $20MHz$, a gain of $20dB$, generates its own noise power of $7.2 \times 10^{-14}W$ measured at the output. If a signal of $-100dBm$ is applied to the amplifier input with a signal to noise ratio of $20dB$, Assuming a physical temperature of $290^{\circ}K$, calculate

- (i) The noise temperature of the amplifier.
(ii) The signal to noise ratio at the output of the amplifier.

(10 marks)

- (c) An UHF receiver system is shown in Figure-Q4.

**Figure - Q4**

Note that F, G and L represent noise figure, gain and loss respectively.

- (i) Calculate the overall noise temperature of the system.
(ii) If the input signal power at the antenna is $-50dBm$ and the noise temperature of the antenna is $30^{\circ}K$, calculate the $\left(\frac{S}{N}\right)$ ratio at the receiver output.

Bandwidth of the receiver is $1MHz$.

(12 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (25 marks)

- (a) (i) A signal $x(t)$ is sampled at a sampling frequency of f_s . Show that the spectrum of the sampled signal is given by,

$$X_\delta(f) = \frac{1}{T_s} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} X\left(f - \frac{n}{T_s}\right)$$

Where,

$$T_s = \frac{1}{f_s} \quad \text{and} \quad X(f) = \text{Fourier transform of } x(t).$$

(7 marks)

- (ii) If the bandwidth of the signal $x(t)$ is 3.4 kHz , sketch the spectrum of the sampled signal and find the sampling frequency required when a guard band of 1.2 kHz is employed.

(5 marks)

- (b) (i) Draw the block diagram of a PCM system

(2 marks)

- (ii) A message signal which is distributed within -1 and $+1$ in amplitude is converted to a uniform PCM signal having 256 levels. Evaluate the signal to quantization noise ratio of the resulting signal.

(7 marks)

- (iii) If the signal bandwidth is 3.4 kHz , find the minimum bandwidth required by the PCM channel.

(4 marks)

USEFUL INFORMATION

$$\begin{aligned}\cos(A \pm B) &= \cos A \cos B \mp \sin A \sin B \\ \sin A \sin B &= \frac{1}{2} [\cos(A - B) - \cos(A + B)] \\ \sin A \cos B &= \frac{1}{2} [\sin(A + B) + \sin(A - B)]\end{aligned}$$

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Boltzmann constant $k = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K}$

$$\int \sin ax \, dx = -\frac{1}{a} \cos ax \quad \int \cos ax \, dx = \frac{1}{a} \sin ax$$

TABLE A
Bessel functions of the first kind

m	$J_0(m)$	$J_1(m)$	$J_2(m)$	$J_3(m)$	$J_4(m)$	$J_5(m)$	$J_6(m)$	$J_7(m)$	$J_8(m)$	$J_9(m)$	$J_{10}(m)$
0.0	1.000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
0.2	0.990	0.099	0.005	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
0.4	0.960	0.196	0.019	0.001	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
0.6	0.912	0.286	0.043	0.004	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
0.8	0.846	0.368	0.075	0.010	0.001	—	—	—	—	—	—
1.0	0.765	0.440	0.114	0.019	0.002	—	—	—	—	—	—
2.0	0.223	0.576	0.352	0.128	0.034	0.007	0.001	—	—	—	—
3.0	-0.260	0.339	0.486	0.309	0.132	0.043	0.011	0.002	—	—	—
4.0	-0.397	-0.066	0.364	0.430	0.281	0.132	0.049	0.015	0.004	—	—
5.0	-0.177	-0.327	0.046	0.364	0.391	0.261	0.131	0.053	0.018	0.005	0.001
6.0	0.150	-0.276	-0.242	0.114	0.357	0.362	0.245	0.129	0.056	0.021	0.006
7.0	0.300	-0.004	-0.301	-0.167	0.157	0.347	0.339	0.233	0.128	0.058	0.023
8.0	0.171	0.234	-0.113	-0.291	-0.105	0.185	0.337	0.320	0.223	0.126	0.060
9.0	-0.090	0.245	0.144	-0.180	-0.265	-0.055	0.204	0.327	0.305	0.214	0.124
10.0	-0.245	0.045	0.254	0.058	-0.219	-0.234	-0.014	0.216	0.317	0.291	0.207