

Lecture 15: Frequency & Phase Modulation (FM & PM)

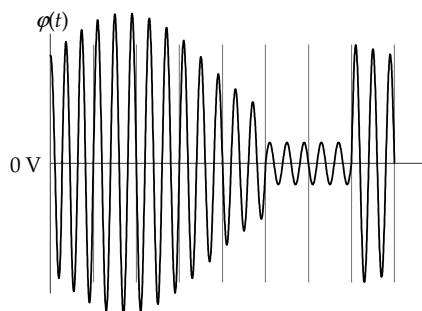
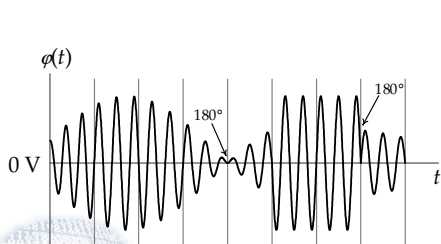
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Remember: Amplitude Modulation

$$\varphi(t) = m(t) \cos(\omega_c t)$$

$$\varphi(t) = [m(t) + A] \cos(\omega_c t)$$



Angle Modulation (FM & PM)

$$c(t) = A \cos(\omega_c t + \theta_0)$$

$$\varphi_{FM \text{ or } PM}(t) = A \cos \theta(t)$$

$$\omega_i(t) \triangleq \frac{d\theta(t)}{dt}$$

$$\theta_i(t) \triangleq \theta(t) - \omega_c t$$

$\theta(t)$: **generalized angle** of modulated signal.

$\omega_i(t)$: **instantaneous frequency** of modulated signal.

$\theta_i(t)$: **instantaneous phase** of modulated signal.

Frequency Modulation (FM)

- The *instantaneous frequency* of the modulated signal changes in proportion to the message.

$$\varphi_{FM}(t) = A \cos \left(\omega_c t + k_f \int_{-\infty}^t m(t) dt \right)$$

$$\theta_{FM}(t) = \omega_c t + k_f \int_{-\infty}^t m(t) dt$$

$$\omega_{i_{FM}}(t) = \omega_c + k_f m(t)$$

$$\theta_{i_{FM}}(t) = k_f \int_{-\infty}^t m(t) dt$$

Phase Modulation (PM)

- The *instantaneous phase* of the modulated signal changes in proportion to the message.

$$\varphi_{PM}(t) = A \cos(\omega_c t + k_p m(t))$$

$$\theta_{PM}(t) = \omega_c t + k_p m(t)$$

$$\theta_{iPM}(t) = k_p m(t)$$

$$\omega_{iPM}(t) = \omega_c + k_p \frac{dm(t)}{dt} = \omega_c + k_p m'(t)$$

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FM and PM Equivalence

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Constant amplitude A – Constant carrier frequency ω_c – Variable <i>instantaneous</i> frequency $\omega_i \propto m(t)$ – Variable <i>instantaneous</i> phase $\theta_i \propto \int m(t)dt$ | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Constant amplitude A – Constant carrier frequency ω_c – Variable <i>instantaneous</i> frequency $\omega_i \propto m'(t)$ – Variable <i>instantaneous</i> phase $\theta_i \propto m(t)$ |
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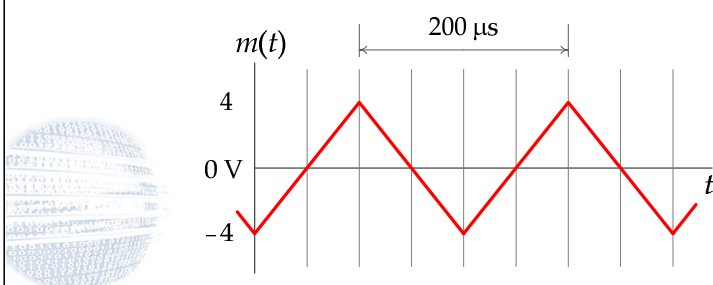
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Example 1

- For the following message signal $m(t)$ and a 100 MHz carrier:
 - Sketch the **FM** modulated signal. Use $k_f = 2\pi \times 10^5$ rad/s/V.
 - Sketch the **PM** modulated signal. Use $k_p = 5\pi$ rad/V.
 - Find Δf for both modulated signals.

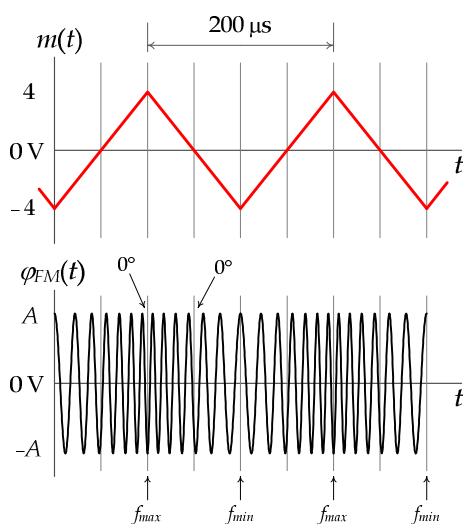


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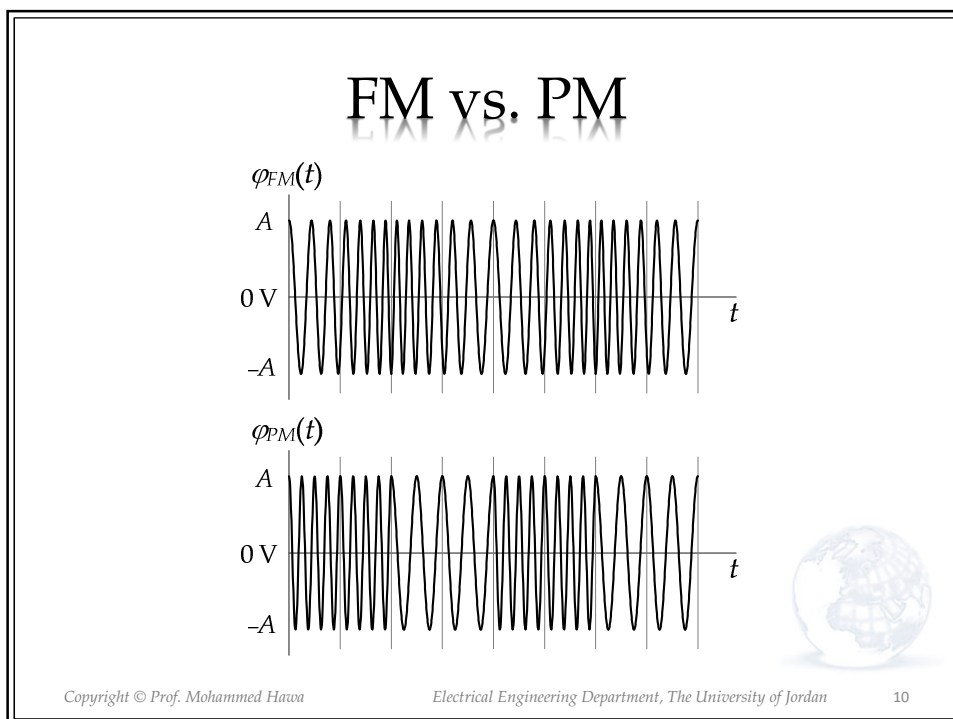
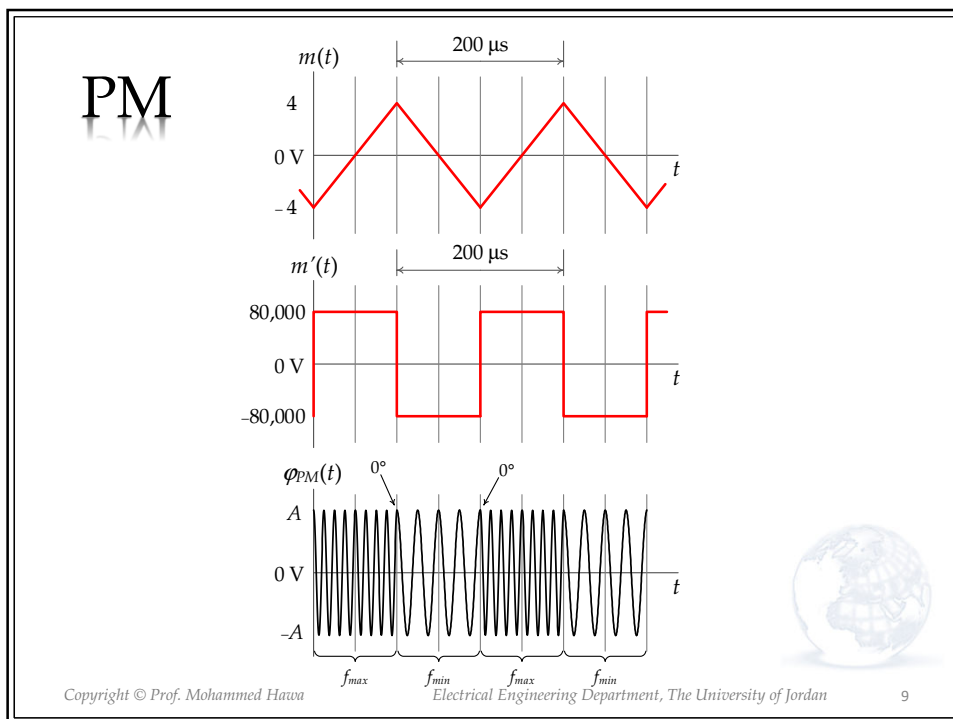
Solution: FM



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Peak Frequency Deviation

- For **FM**:

$$\Delta f \triangleq \frac{f_{max} - f_{min}}{2} = \frac{k_f}{2\pi} \times \frac{m(t)_{max} - m(t)_{min}}{2}$$

$$\Delta f = \frac{k_f}{4\pi} \times m(t)_{pk-pk} \quad [Hz]$$

- For **PM**:

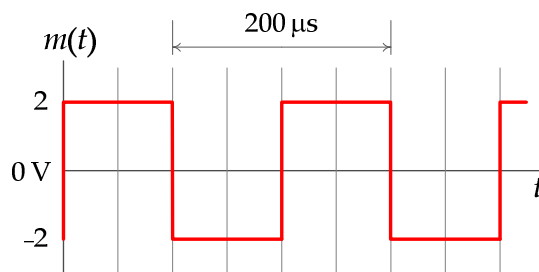
$$\Delta f \triangleq \frac{f_{max} - f_{min}}{2} = \frac{k_p}{2\pi} \times \frac{m'(t)_{max} - m'(t)_{min}}{2}$$

$$\Delta f = \frac{k_p}{4\pi} \times m'(t)_{pk-pk} \quad [Hz]$$

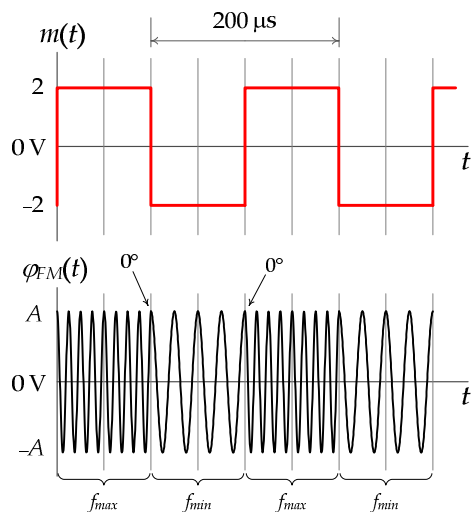


Example 2

- For the following message signal $m(t)$ and a 100 MHz carrier:
 - a) Sketch the **FM** modulated signal. Use $k_f = 2\pi \times 10^4$ rad/s/V.
 - b) Sketch the **PM** modulated signal. Use $k_p = \pi/4$ rad/V.
 - c) Find Δf for both modulated signals.



Solution: FM or FSK

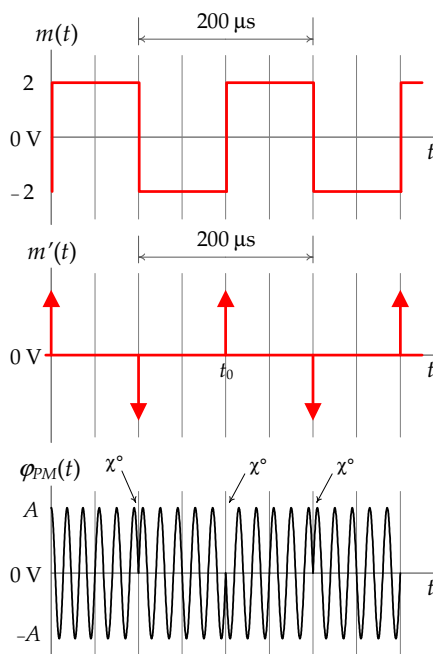


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PM or BPSK

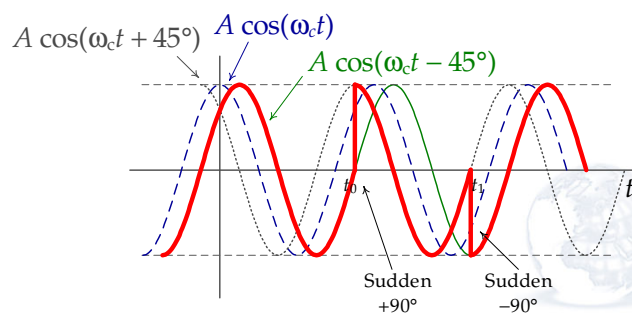
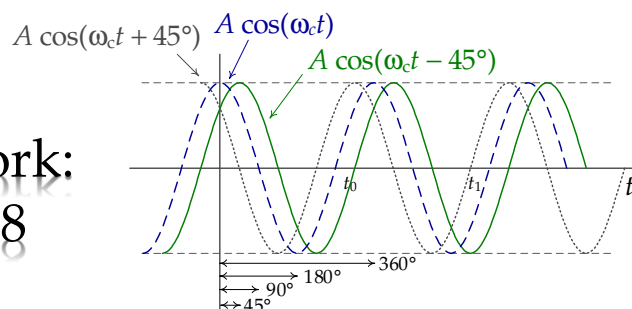


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Homework:
 $k_p = \pi/8$



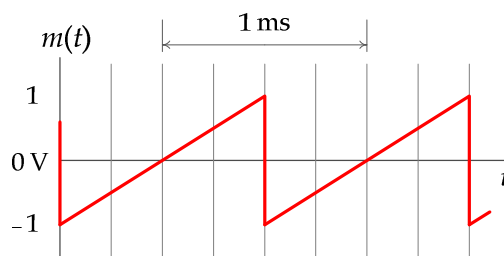
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Homework: P.5.1-2

- For the following message signal $m(t)$ and a 200 MHz carrier:
 - a) Sketch the **FM** modulated signal. Use $k_f = 2000\pi$ rad/s/V.
 - b) Sketch the **PM** modulated signal. Use $k_p = \pi/2$ rad/V.
 - c) Try other k_f and k_p values. What is the effect?
 - d) Find Δf for both modulated signals.

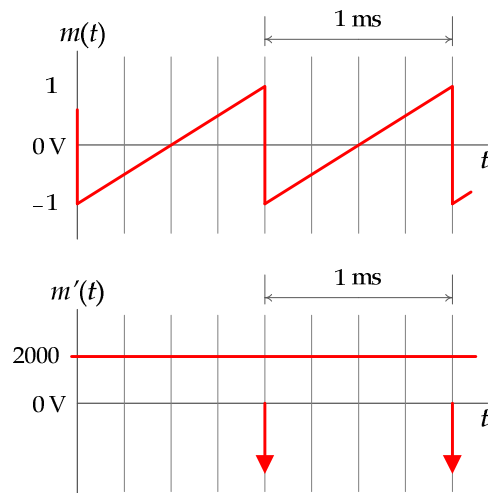


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Hint: For PM



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Rules of Thumb

- Smooth change in instantaneous frequency *always* means smooth change in instantaneous phase.
- Sudden change in instantaneous frequency (i.e., unit step change) *does not* mean a sudden change in phase, i.e., it means 0° sudden phase shift.
- *Impulse* change in instantaneous frequency (i.e., infinity frequency) *might* cause a sudden change in phase. To determine the sudden phase shift (or lack thereof) see $k_p m(t)$ for PM or $k_f \int m(t) dt$ for FM.

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FM and PM Average Power

$$\phi_{FM}(t) = A \cos\left(\omega_c t + k_f \int_{-\infty}^t m(t) dt\right)$$

$$\phi_{PM}(t) = A \cos\left(\omega_c t + k_p m(t)\right)$$

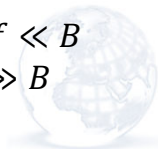
$$\overline{\varphi_{FM}^2(t)} = \frac{A^2}{2}$$

$$\overline{\varphi_{PM}^2(t)} = \frac{A^2}{2}$$

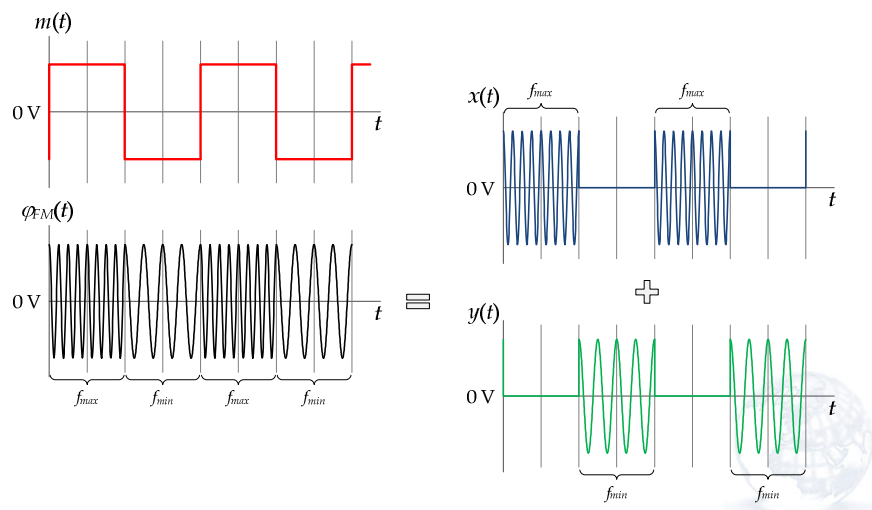


FM and PM Bandwidth

- Mathematically speaking:
 - $B_{FM} = \infty$
 - $B_{PM} = \infty$
- Practically speaking, use **Carson's Rule**:
 - $B_{FM} \approx 2\Delta f + 2B = 2B(\beta+1)$
 - $B_{PM} \approx 2\Delta f + 2B = 2B(\beta+1)$
- FM Modulation Index:
 - $\beta = \Delta f / B$
 - *Narrow-Band FM* (NBFM) has $\beta \ll 1$ or $\Delta f \ll B$
 - *Wide-Band FM* (WBFM) has $\beta \gg 1$ or $\Delta f \gg B$
 - FM radio uses WBFM with $\beta = 5$



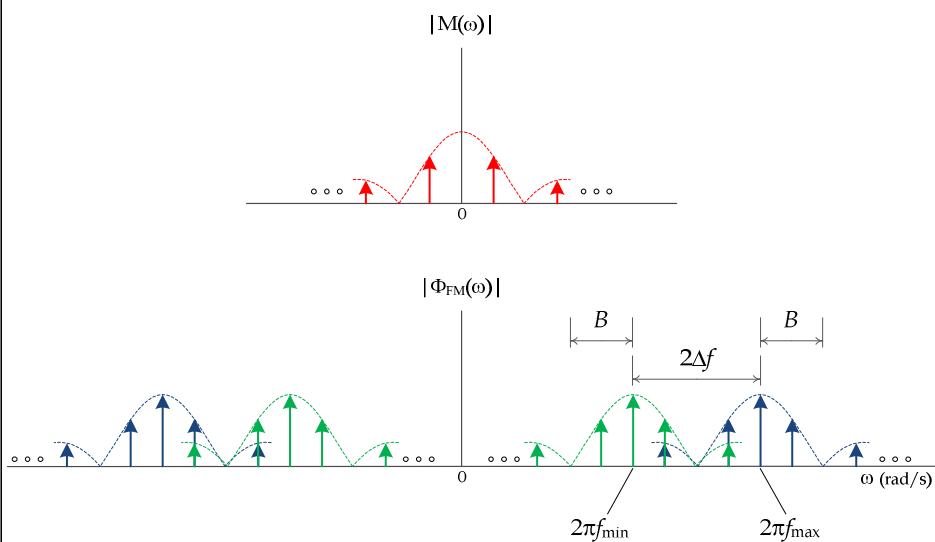
FM Bandwidth: *Semi-proof*



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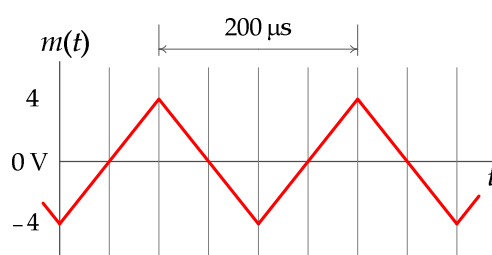
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Bandwidth: Example 1

- Estimate the bandwidth B_{FM} and B_{PM} for the modulating signal $m(t)$ shown below. Assume $k_f = \pi \times 10^4 \text{ rad/s/V}$ and $k_p = \pi/4 \text{ rad/V}$.
- Answers: $B_{\text{FM}} = 60 \text{ kHz}$; $B_{\text{PM}} = 40 \text{ kHz}$.



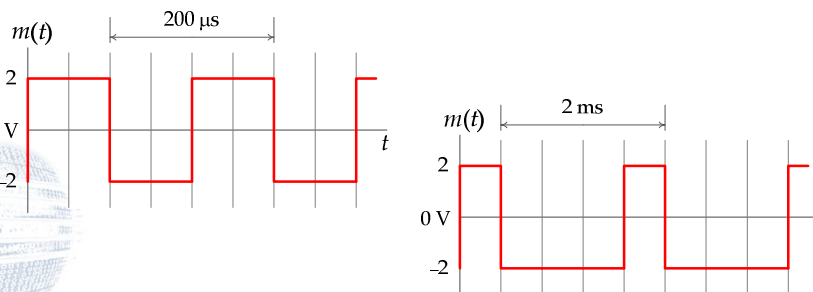
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Bandwidth: Example 2

- Estimate the bandwidth B_{FM} and B_{PM} for the modulating signal $m(t)$ shown below. Assume $k_f = \pi \times 10^5 \text{ rad/s/V}$ and $k_p = 5\pi \text{ rad/V}$.
- Answers: 220 kHz; 20 kHz; 204 kHz; 4 kHz;



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FM Signal-to-Noise Ratio

$$SNR_{out} = \left(\frac{3\beta^2}{k_m^2} \right) \frac{S_{in}}{N_0 B}$$

$$S_{in} = k^2 \overline{\varphi_{FM}^2(t)} = k^2 \left(\frac{A^2}{2} \right)$$

$$k_m^2 = \frac{m_p^2}{m^2(t)}$$



Modulation Technique	Modulated Signal Bandwidth	SNR_{out}	Noise Figure NF, dB	Typical Applications
DSB-SC	$2B$	$\frac{S_{in}}{N_0 B}$	-3	Analog instrumentation; multiplexing as part of FM stereo
SSB-SC	B	$\frac{S_{in}}{N_0 B}$	0	Point-to-point voice
VSB-SC	$B \sim 2B$	$\frac{S_{in}}{N_0 B}$	-3~0	Facsimile (Fax machines)
QAM	$2B$ for two signals	$\frac{S_{in, effective}}{N_0 B}$	0	Transmit color information in TV broadcasting; digital data
AM	$2B$	$\eta \frac{S_{in}}{N_0 B}$	$-10 \log(2\eta)$	Broadcast AM radio; point-to-point voice
SSB+C	B	$\eta \frac{S_{in}}{N_0 B}$	$-10 \log(\eta)$	Multiplexing in old telephony systems; point-to-point voice
VSB+C	$B \sim 2B$	$\eta \frac{S_{in}}{N_0 B}$	$-10 \log(2\eta) \sim -10 \log(\eta)$	Analog Television broadcasting
FM	$2\Delta f + 2B$	$\left(\frac{3\beta^2}{k_m^2} \right) \frac{S_{in}}{N_0 B}$	$10 \log \left(\frac{k_m^2}{6(\beta + 1)\beta^2} \right)$	Broadcast FM radio; analog microwave links
PM	$2\Delta f + 2B$	$\left(\frac{(\Delta\theta)^2}{k_m^2} \right) \frac{S_{in}}{N_0 B}$	$10 \log \left(\frac{k_m^2 B}{2(\Delta\theta)^2 (\Delta f + B)} \right)$	Telemetry; digital data

FM (and PM) vs. AM

- FM (and PM) Advantages:
 - FM is capable of exchanging SNR for bandwidth.
 - The constant amplitude of FM makes it less susceptible to nonlinearities.
 - Due to the constant amplitude, FM is less vulnerable than AM to adjacent-channel interference.
 - The constant amplitude of FM gives it a kind of immunity against rapid fading (even with the larger bandwidth).

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FM (and PM) vs. AM

- FM (and PM) Disadvantages:
 - WBFM (which provides better quality) requires large transmission bandwidth.
 - FM modulators and demodulators are relatively more expensive than AM hardware.
 - PM demodulation requires synchronous detection (relatively expensive).

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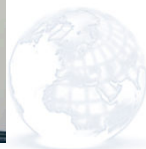
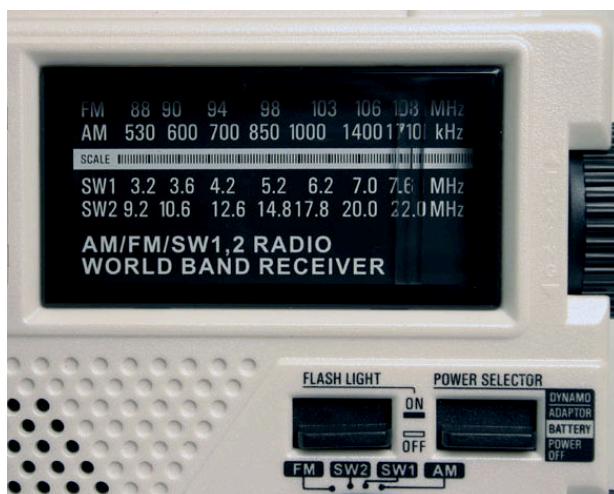
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Applications: FM Radio

- FM + FDM
 - The baseband message is 15 kHz (voice + music).
 - With $\beta = 5$, the bandwidth of each FM station is 200 kHz (both U.S. and Europe).
 - The broadcast range is 88 – 108 MHz.
- FM radio sounds better than AM radio:
 - $m(t)$ has a larger bandwidth.
 - WBFM: exchanging SNR for bandwidth.



HW: Look at Your Radio Dial



FM Hardware

- FM Modulator:
 - VCO (Voltage-Controlled Oscillator).
- FM Demodulator:
 - FM Discriminator (also called Slope Detector or Ratio Detector).
 - Quadrature Detector.
 - Phase-Locked Loop.

