

# Amplitude Modulation

## Key Equation for DSB-SC

$$\text{LPF} \left\{ \underbrace{m(t)}_{\text{message}} \times \underbrace{\sqrt{2} \cos(2\pi f_c t)}_{\text{carrier}} \times \sqrt{2} \cos(2\pi f_c t) \right\} = m(t)$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{modulation}}$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{transmitted signal } x(t)}$

Things that could go wrong ...

① Frequency / phase offset

② Time delay

Solution  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{synchronization (via PLL)} \\ \text{put some extra info into the transmitted signal to help the receiver.} \end{array} \right.$

## Fourier Series

Periodic signal  $r(t)$  with period  $T_0$  can be expanded into

$$r(t) = \sum_k c_k e^{j2\pi k f_0 t}$$

writing it in this form suggest that its Fourier transform is

$$R(f) = \sum_k c_k \delta(f - k f_0) \quad \leftarrow \text{sum of scaled and shifted impulses in the freq. domain.}$$

The coefficient  $c_k$  can be found by  $c_k = \frac{1}{T_0} R_{T_0}(k f_0)$ .

In particular, first we consider a restricted version  $r_{T_0}(t)$  of  $r(t)$ .

The restriction simply means we will use only one period of  $r(t)$ .

This can be

$$r_{T_0}(t) = \begin{cases} r(t), & |t| \leq T_0/2 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Next, we find the Fourier transform of  $r_{T_0}(t)$  which we denote by  $R_{T_0}(f)$

Then, we scaled the result by  $\frac{1}{T_0}$  to get  $\frac{1}{T_0} R_{T_0}(f)$ .

Finally, we evaluate the expression at  $f = kf_0$ .

Example:

$$\sum_n \delta(t - nT_0) = \frac{1}{T_0} \sum_k e^{j2\pi k f_0 t} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \frac{1}{T_0} \sum_k \delta(f - kf_0)$$

special case: when  $T_0 = 1$ , we have

$$\sum_n \delta(t - n) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \sum_k \delta(f - k)$$

### Fourier Series and Fourier Transform: the comparison

$$x(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \underbrace{X(f)}_{\text{complex exponential at freq. } f} e^{j2\pi f t} df \xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} X(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j2\pi f t} dt$$

Recall that  $|X(f)|^2$  is the energy density

$$r(t) = \sum_k \underbrace{c_k}_{\text{coefficient}} e^{j2\pi k f_0 t} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} R(f) = \sum_n c_n \delta(f - kf_0)$$

complex exponential at freq.  $f = kf_0$

coefficient  
↓  
tell you the amount of the signal energy ( $|c_n|^2$ ) at freq.  $f = kf_0$

