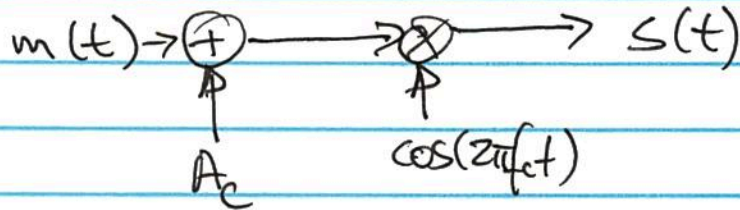


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Conventional AM and non-coherent demod

Reminder: conventional AM



$$s(t) = (m(t) + A_c) \cdot \cos(2\pi f_c t)$$

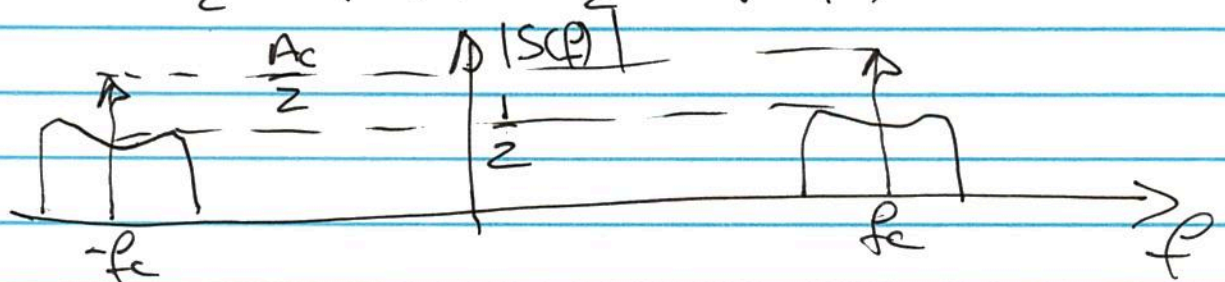
$$= \underbrace{m(t) \cdot \cos(2\pi f_c t)}_{\text{mod. signal}} + \underbrace{A_c \cdot \cos(2\pi f_c t)}_{\text{carrier}}$$

For non-coherent demodulation, we need:

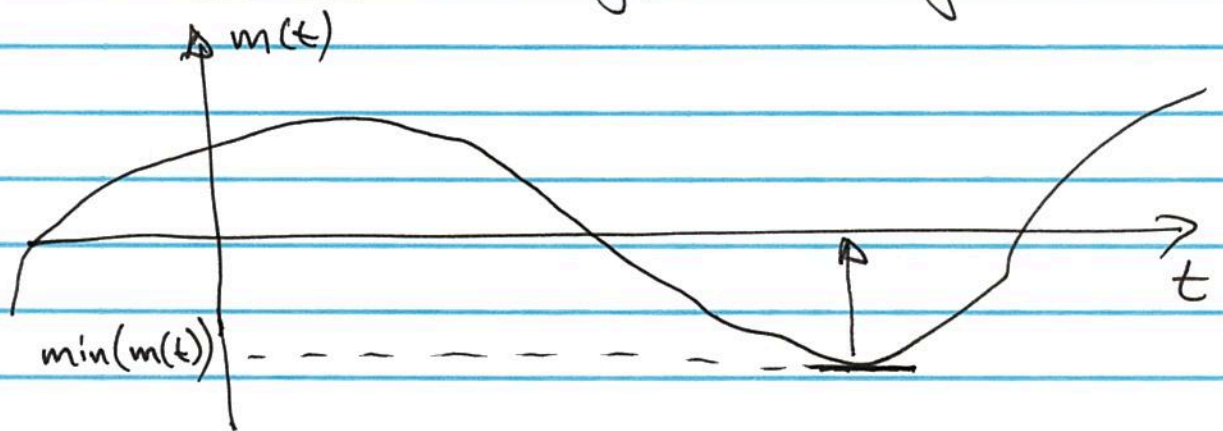
$$\boxed{A_c + m(t) \geq 0 \quad \text{for all } t}$$

Reminder: Spectrum $S(f)$

$$S(f) = \frac{1}{2} M(f - f_c) + \frac{1}{2} M(f + f_c) + \frac{A_c}{2} \delta(f - f_c) + \frac{A_c}{2} \delta(f + f_c)$$



Time Domain: a typical signal



Condition $A_c + m(t) \geq 0$ for all t
is satisfied if

$$A_c + \min(m(t)) \geq 0$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{b/c } \min(m(t)) < 0 \\ \text{for zero-DC signals} \end{array} \left| \begin{array}{l} \Rightarrow A_c \geq -\min(m(t)) \\ \Rightarrow A_c \geq |\min(m(t))| \end{array} \right.$$

To measure how far $A_c + m(t) > 0$, define
modulation index:

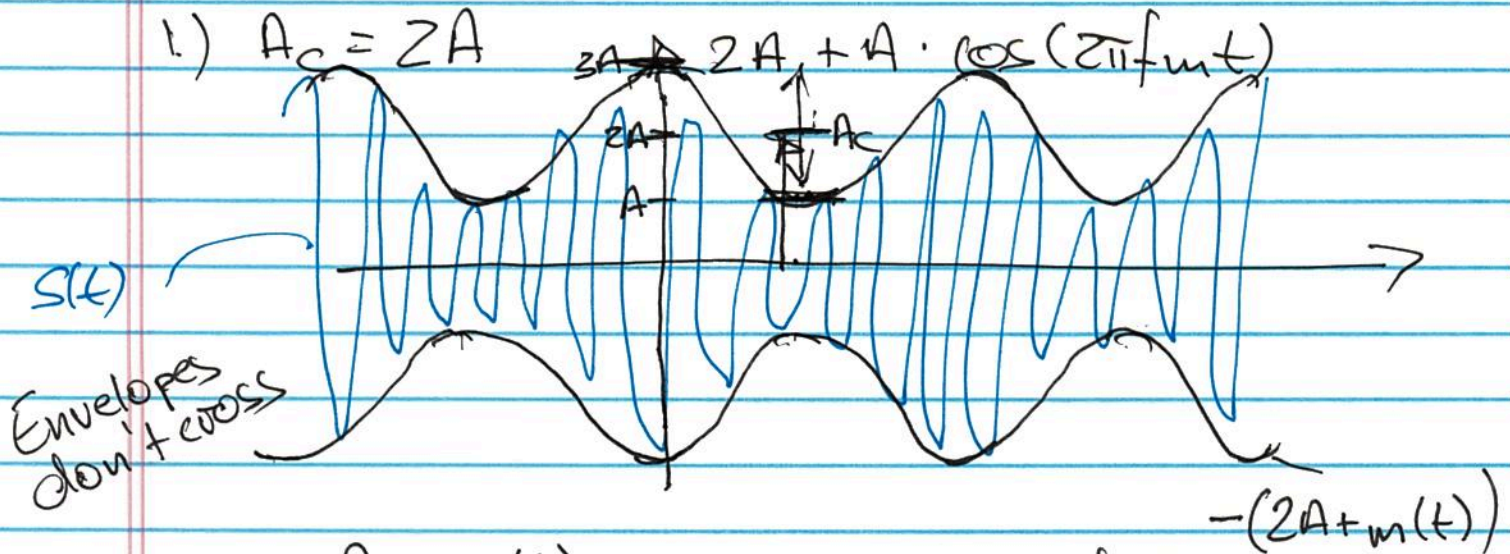
$$a_{\text{mod}} = \frac{|\min(m(t))|}{A_c}$$

for $a_{\text{mod}} = 1 = 100\%$: $A_c + m(t) = 0$ for some t

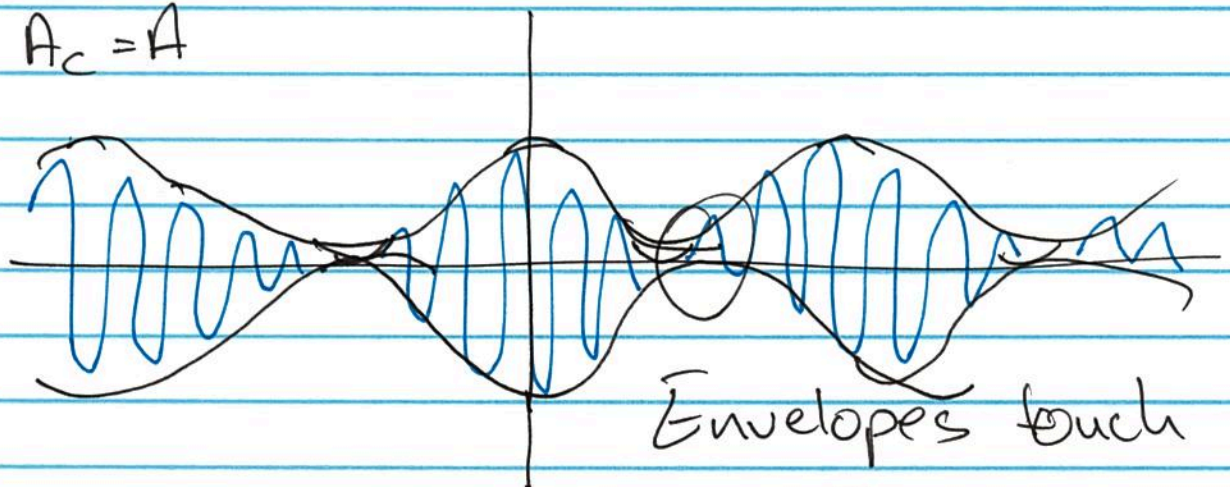
for $a_{\text{mod}} < 1$: $A_c + m(t) > 0$

for $a_{\text{mod}} > 1$: $A_c + m(t) < 0$ for some t

Illustrations: Let $m(t) = A \cdot \cos(2\pi f_m t)$



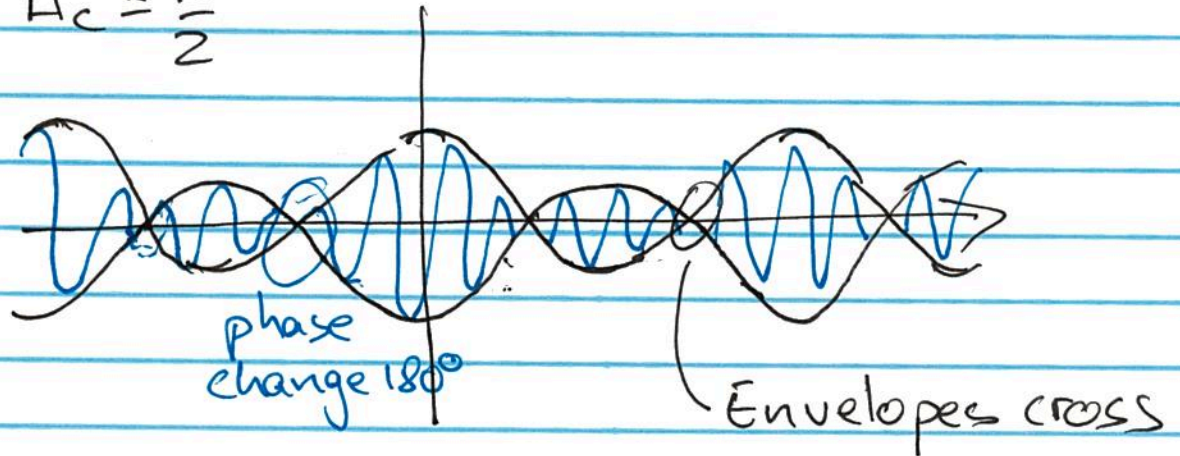
2. $A_c = A$



$$a_{mod} = \frac{|\min(m(t))|}{A_c} = \frac{|-A|}{A} = 1$$

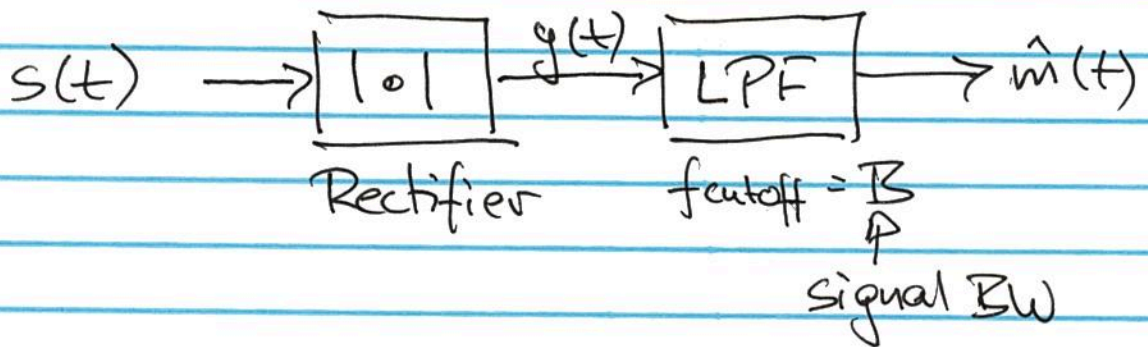
100% mod. index

$$3.) A_c = \frac{A}{2}$$



$$a_{\text{mod}} = \frac{|\min(m(t))|}{A_c} = \frac{|-A|}{A/2} = 2$$

Non-coherent demodulator:



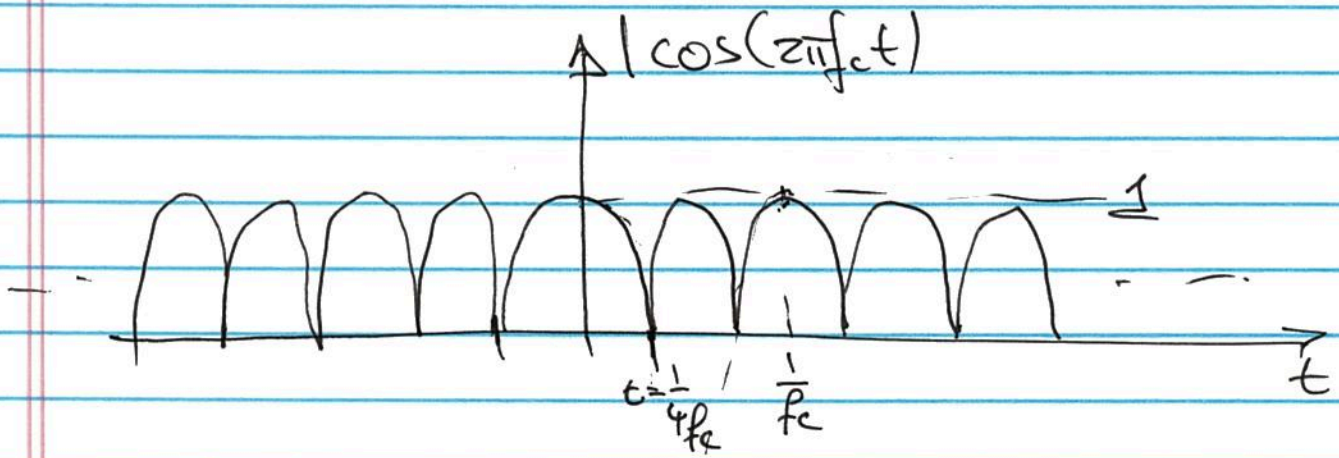
How can this possibly work?

Key: use of the non-linearity

After the rectifier:

$$\begin{aligned}y(t) &= |s(t)| \\ &= |(A_c + m(t)) \cdot \cos(2\pi f_c t)| \\ &= \underbrace{|A_c + m(t)|}_{\substack{> 0 \text{ if} \\ a_{\text{mod}} < 1}} \cdot |\cos(2\pi f_c t)| \\ &= (A_c + m(t)) \cdot |\cos(2\pi f_c t)|\end{aligned}$$

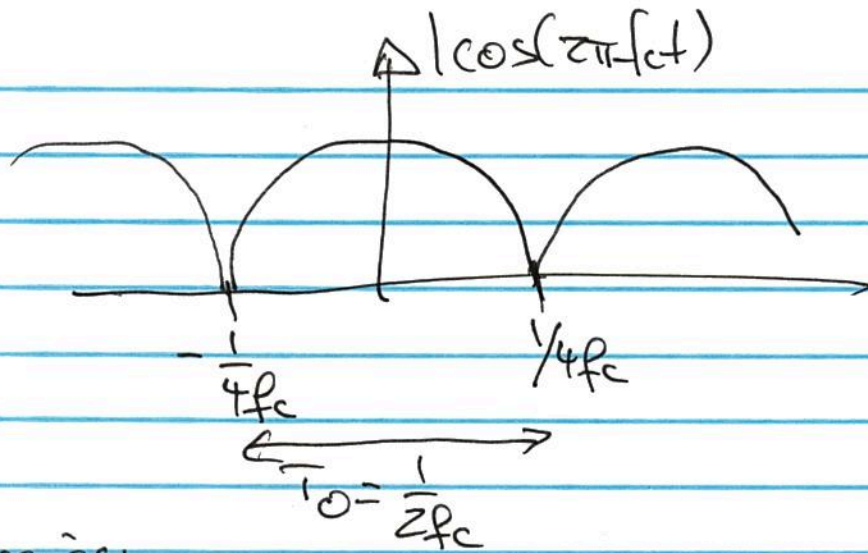
if $a_{\text{mod}} < 1$ then signal $A_c + m(t)$ is not affected by the non-linearity



To figure out what the LPF in receiver does, need $Y(f)$.

Plan:

- $A_c + m(t)$ (easy to Fourier)
- multiplication \Rightarrow conv. freq. domain
- $|\cos(2\pi f_c t)| \Rightarrow$ periodic \Rightarrow Fourier series \Rightarrow Fourier form



Fourier series:

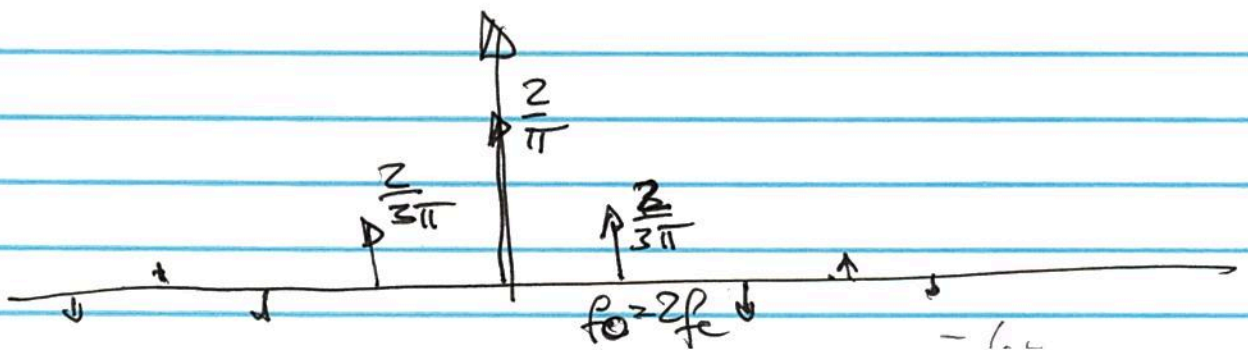
$$|\cos(2\pi f_c t)| = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} X_n \cdot e^{j2\pi n f_c t}$$

$$X_n = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_{-1/4f_c}^{1/4f_c} |\cos(2\pi f_c t)| \cdot e^{-j2\pi n f_c t} dt$$

$\cos(2\pi f_c t) \geq 0$ over $-\frac{1}{4f_c} \leq t \leq \frac{1}{4f_c}$

$$X_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{4n^2 - 1} \cdot (-1)^{n+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\cos(2\pi f_c t)| \leftrightarrow \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} X_n \delta(f - n f_0)$$



$$- A_c + m(t) \leftrightarrow A_c \delta(f) + M(f)$$

- multiplication \leftrightarrow convolution

- $|\cos(2\pi f_c t)| \leftrightarrow$ see above



Therefore:

