Analog Communication

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Preliminaries

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Lowpass and Bandpass Signals



Figure: Bandpass signal and lowpass signals.

- Lowpass signal: A signal whose spectrum is located around the zero frequency.
- Bandpass signal: A signal whose spectrum is far from the zero frequency.

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- Lowpass to bandpass conversion: $x(t) = \operatorname{Re}\{x_l(t)e^{j2\pi f_c t}\} = \operatorname{Re}\{A(t)e^{j(2\pi f_c t + \theta(t))}\}$
- Lowpass to bandpass conversion: $x(t) = x_c(t)\cos(2\pi f_c t) x_s(t)\sin(2\pi f_c t)$
- Lowpass to bandpass conversion: $X(f) = \frac{1}{2}X_l(f f_c) + \frac{1}{2}X_l^*(-(f + f_c))$
- Bandpass to lowpass conversion: $X_l(f) = 2X(f + f_c)u(f + f_c)$
- Lowpass representation: $x_l(t) = A(t)e^{j\theta(t)} = x_c(t) + jx_s(t)$
- Representation conversion: $x_c(t) = A(t)\cos(\theta(t)), \quad x_s(t) = A(t)\sin(\theta(t))$
- Representation conversion: $A(t) = \sqrt{x_c^2(t) + x_s^2(t)}, \quad \theta(t) = \tan^{-1}(\frac{x_s(t)}{x_c(t)})$
- Envelope component: $A(t) = \sqrt{x^2(t) + \hat{x}^2(t)}$
- Phase component: $\theta(t) = \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{\hat{x}(t) \cos(2\pi f_c t) x(t) \sin(2\pi f_c t)}{x(t) \cos(2\pi f_c t) + \hat{x}(t) \sin(2\pi f_c t)} \right]$
- In-phase component: $x_c(t) = x(t)\cos(2\pi f_c t) + \hat{x}(t)\sin(2\pi f_c t)$
- Quadrature component: $x_s(t) = \hat{x}(t) \cos(2\pi f_c t) x(t) \sin(2\pi f_c t)$

Lowpass and Bandpass Signals



Figure: Spectrum of a bandpass signal and its associated lowpass signal.

- Lowpass to bandpass conversion: $X(f) = \frac{1}{2}X_{l}(f f_{c}) + \frac{1}{2}X_{l}^{*}(-(f + f_{c}))$
- Bandpass to lowpass conversion: $X_l(f) = 2X(f + f_c)u(f + f_c)$

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- Lowpass random process: A process whose correlation function is lowpass.
- Bandpass random process: A process whose correlation function is bandpass.
- Lowpass equivalent process: $X_l(t) = X_c(t) + jX_s(t)$
- In-phase component: $X_c(t) = X(t)\cos(2\pi f_c t) + \hat{X}(t)\sin(2\pi f_c t)$
- Quadrature component: $X_s(t) = \hat{X}(t) \cos(2\pi f_c t) X(t) \sin(2\pi f_c t)$
- Lowpass equivalent PSD: $S_{X_i}(f) = 4S_X(f + f_c)u(f + f_c)$
- Bandpass PSD: $S_X(f) = \frac{1}{4} \left[S_{X_I}(f f_c) + S_{X_I}(-f f_c) \right]$
- Component PSD: $S_{X_c}(f) = S_{X_s}(f) = [S_X(f+f_c) + S_X(f-f_c)] \sqcap (\frac{f}{2f_c})$
- Component cross-PSD: $S_{X_cX_s}(f) = -S_{X_sX_c}(f) = j[S_X(f+f_c) S_X(f-f_c)] \sqcap (\frac{f}{2f_c})$
- Lowpass equivalent correlation: $R_{X_l}(\tau) = 2(R_X(\tau) + j\widehat{R_X}(\tau))e^{-j2\pi f_c \tau} = 2R_{X_c}(\tau) = 2R_{X_c}(\tau)$

For a real Gaussian random process X(t),

- $X(t_1)$ has Gaussian distribution.
- **2** $(X(t_1), X(t_2))$ have two-dimensional jointly Gaussian distribution.
- $(X(t_1), \dots, X(t_n))$ have *n*-dimensional jointly Gaussian distribution.
- Fourth moment is

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{E}\{X(t_1)X(t_2)X(t_3)X(t_4)\} &= \mathcal{E}\{X(t_1)X(t_2)\}\mathcal{E}\{X(t_3)X(t_4)\} \\ &+ \mathcal{E}\{X(t_1)X(t_3)\}\mathcal{E}\{X(t_2)X(t_4)\} + \mathcal{E}\{X(t_1)X(t_4)\}\mathcal{E}\{X(t_2)X(t_3)\} \end{split}$$

- If X(t) is zero-mean, $\mathcal{E}{X(t_1)} = 0$ and $\mathcal{E}{X(t_1)X(t_2)X(t_3)} = 0$.
- If X(t) is WSS, $R_{X^2}(\tau) = 2R_X^2(\tau) + R_X^2(0)$.
- If X(t) is zero-mean, $\mathcal{E}\{X(t_1)\} = \mathcal{E}\{X(t_1)X^2(t_2)\} = 0$.

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White and Colored Gaussian Noise



Figure: Spectrum of the white and colored thermal noise.

White thermal noise

- Stationary process
- Zero-mean process.
- Gaussian process.
- White process with a PSD $S_n(f) = \frac{N_0}{2}$.

Olored thermal noise

• Filtered process with PSD $S_X(f) = \frac{N_0}{2} |H(f)|^2$

Bandpass Colored Gaussian Noise



Figure: Spectrum of the colored thermal noise and its associated lowpass components $X_s(t)$ and $X_c(t)$.

- $X_c(t)$ and $X_s(t)$ are zero-mean, lowpass, jointly WSS, and jointly Gaussian.
- Processes X(t), $X_c(t)$, and $X_s(t)$ have the identical power P_x .
- Solution Processes $X_c(t)$ and $X_s(t)$ have the same power spectral density.
- If $\pm f_c$ are the symmetry axis of the spectrum parts, $X_c(t)$ and $X_s(t)$ are independent processes.

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System Model

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Figure: Optical direct detection (incoherent detection) (analog communication) system.

- Received noisy field: $f_r(t, \mathbf{r}) = a(t, \mathbf{r})e^{j2\pi\nu t}$
- Received noisy complex envelope: $a(t, \mathbf{r}) = s(t, \mathbf{r}) + b(t, \mathbf{r})$
- Count intensity process: $n(t) = \alpha \int_{A} |a(t, \mathbf{r})|^2 d\mathbf{r}$
- Carrier generation process: k(0, t)
- Shot noise process: $i(t) = \sum_{j=1}^{k(0,t)} g_j h(t-t_j), \quad g_j = 1$
- Dark current: *I*_{dc}
- Thermal noise power spectral density: N_{0c}
- Filter frequency response: $F(\omega)$
- Filtered current: y(t)

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Figure: Optical direct detection (incoherent detection) (analog communication) system.

• Received noisy complex envelope decomposition:

$$m{a}(t,m{r}) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} m{a}_i(t) \Phi_i(m{r}) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} [m{s}_i(t) + m{b}_i(t)] \Phi_i(m{r})$$

• Count intensity process:

$$\begin{split} n(t) &= \alpha \int_{A} |a(t, \mathbf{r})|^{2} d\mathbf{r} = \alpha \int_{A} |\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_{i}(t) \Phi_{i}(\mathbf{r})|^{2} d\mathbf{r} = \alpha \int_{A} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_{i}(t) a_{j}^{*}(t) \Phi_{i}(\mathbf{r}) \Phi_{j}^{*}(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r} \\ &= \alpha \sum_{i=0} |a_{i}(t)|^{2} \int_{A} |\Phi_{i}(\mathbf{r})|^{2} d\mathbf{r} + \alpha \sum_{i,j=0, i\neq j}^{\infty} a_{i}(t) a_{j}^{*}(t) \int_{A} \Phi_{i}(\mathbf{r}) \Phi_{j}^{*}(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r} = \alpha A \sum_{i=0} |a_{i}(t)|^{2} \end{split}$$

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Figure: Optical direct detection (incoherent detection) (analog communication) system.

- Intensity modulation: $|s_i(t)|^2 = I_{s_i}[1 + \beta m(t)]$
- Intensity modulating message: m(t), $\mathcal{E}{m(t)} = 0$
- Average field intensity: $I_{s_i} = \mathcal{E}\{|s_i(t)|^2\}$
- Space-division multiplexed intensity modulation: $|s_i(t)|^2 = I_{s_i}[1 + \beta_i m_i(t)]$

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System Analysis

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Figure: Single-mode optical direct detection system with stationary received intensity.

- Received noisy complex envelope:
 - $a(t, \mathbf{r}) = a(t) = s(t) + b(t), \quad \Phi_i(\mathbf{r}) = 1, \mathbf{r} \in A$
- Intensity modulation: $|s(t)|^2 = I_s[1 + \beta m(t)]$
- Count intensity: $n(t) = \alpha A |a(t)|^2 = \alpha A |s(t) + b(t)|^2$
- Current power spectral density: $S_i(\omega) = |H_T(\omega)|^2 [\mathcal{E}_n\{\bar{n}\} + S_n(\omega)]$

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Figure: Single-mode optical direct detection system with stationary received intensity. Signal and background noise processes are assumed independent. The background noise is modeled as a zero-mean colored Gaussian noise. Assuming that the receiver optical bandwidth is assumed B_0 , the noise power is $P_{b0} = A \frac{N_0}{A} B_0$, where N_0 is the background noise power spectral density.



Figure: Power spectral densities of the noise and message, where $B_m \ll B_o$.

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• Expected mean count $\mathcal{E}_n\{\bar{n}\}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}_n\{n(t)\} &= \alpha A \mathcal{E}_n\{|s(t) + b(t)|^2\} = \alpha A \mathcal{E}_n\{[s(t) + b(t)][s(t) + b(t)]^*\} \\ &= \alpha A \Big[\mathcal{E}_n\{|s(t)|^2\} + \mathcal{E}_n\{|b(t)|^2\} + \mathcal{E}_n\{s(t)b^*(t)\} + \mathcal{E}_n\{b(t)s^*(t)\} \Big] \\ &= \alpha A \mathcal{E}_n\{|s(t)|^2\} + \alpha A \mathcal{E}_n\{|b(t)|^2\} \\ &= \alpha A \mathcal{R}_s(0) + \alpha A \mathcal{R}_b(0) \\ &= \alpha A \mathcal{I}_s + \alpha A \frac{N_0}{A} B_0 \\ &= \alpha (P_s + P_{b0}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{E}_n\{\bar{n}\} = \lim_{T \to \infty} \frac{\int_{-T}^T \mathcal{E}_n\{n(t)\} dt}{2T} = \alpha (P_s + P_{b0})$$

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• Correlation $R_n(\tau)$:

$$\begin{split} R_n(\tau) &= \mathcal{E}\{n(t)n(t+\tau)\} = (\alpha A)^2 \mathcal{E}\left\{\left(s(t) + b(t)\right)(s(t) + b(t)\right)^*\left(s(t+\tau) + b(t+\tau)\right) \\ &\times \left(s(t+\tau) + b(t+\tau)\right)^*\right\} = (\alpha A)^2 \mathcal{E}\left\{\left[|s(t)|^2 + |b(t)|^2 + s(t)b^*(t) + s^*(t)b(t)\right] \\ &\times \left[|s(t+\tau)|^2 + |b(t+\tau)|^2 + s(t+\tau)b^*(t+\tau) + s^*(t+\tau)b(t+\tau)\right]\right\} \\ &= (\alpha A)^2 \mathcal{E}\left\{|s(t)|^2|s(t+\tau)|^2 + |s(t)|^2|b(t+\tau)|^2 + |b(t)|^2|s(t+\tau)|^2 + |b(t)|^2|b(t+\tau)|^2 \\ &+ s(t)s(t+\tau)b^*(t)b^*(t+\tau) + s^*(t)s^*(t+\tau)b(t)b(t+\tau) + s(t)s^*(t+\tau)b^*(t)b(t+\tau) \\ &+ s^*(t)s(t+\tau)b(t)b^*(t+\tau)\right\} = \alpha^2 \left[2Al_s A \frac{N_0}{A} B_o + A^2 R_{|s|^2}(\tau) + A^2 R_{|b|^2}(\tau) + A^2 R_{sb}(\tau)\right] \\ &= \alpha^2 \left[2P_s P_{b0} + A^2 R_{|s|^2}(\tau) + A^2 R_{|b|^2}(\tau) + A^2 R_{sb}(\tau)\right] \end{split}$$

• PSD $S_n(\omega)$:

$$S_n(\omega) = \mathcal{F}\{R_n(\tau)\} = \alpha^2 \Big[4\pi P_s P_{b0}\delta(\omega) + A^2 S_{|s|^2}(\omega) + A^2 S_{|b|^2}(\omega) + A^2 S_{sb}(\omega) \Big]$$

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• Correlation $R_{|s|^2}(\tau)$:

$$\begin{aligned} R_{|s|^2}(\tau) &= \mathcal{E}\left\{|s(t)|^2|s(t+\tau)|^2\right\} \\ &= \mathcal{E}\left\{l_s[1+\beta m(t)]l_s[1+\beta m(t+\tau)]\right\} \\ &= l_s^2 + l_s^2\beta \mathcal{E}\left\{m(t)\right\} + l_s^2\beta \mathcal{E}\left\{m(t+\tau)\right\} + l_s^2\beta^2 \mathcal{E}\left\{m(t)m(t+\tau)\right\} \\ &= l_s^2[1+\beta^2 R_m(\tau)] \end{aligned}$$

• PSD $S_{|s|^2}(\omega)$:

$$A^{2}S_{|s|^{2}}(\omega) = A^{2}\mathcal{F}\{R_{|s|^{2}}(\tau)\} = 2\pi A^{2}I_{s}^{2}\delta(\omega) + A^{2}I_{s}^{2}\beta^{2}S_{m}(\omega) = 2\pi P_{s}^{2}\delta(\omega) + P_{s}^{2}\beta^{2}S_{m}(\omega)$$

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• Correlation $R_{|b|^2}(\tau)$:

$$\begin{split} R_{|b|^2}(\tau) &= \mathcal{E}\left\{ |b(t)|^2 |b(t+\tau)|^2 \right\} = \mathcal{E}\left\{ [b_r^2(t) + b_i^2(t)] [b_r^2(t+\tau) + b_i^2(t+\tau)] \right\} \\ &= \mathcal{E}\left\{ b_r^2(t) b_r^2(t+\tau) + b_i^2(t) b_i^2(t+\tau) + b_r^2(t) b_i^2(t+\tau) + b_i^2(t) b_r^2(t+\tau) \right\} \\ &= R_{b_r^2}(\tau) + R_{b_i^2}(\tau) + 2R_{b_r}(0) R_{b_i}(0) \\ &= 4R_{b_r}^2(\tau) + 2R_{b_r}^2(0) + 2R_{b_r}^2(0) \\ &= R_b^2(\tau) + R_b^2(0) = R_b^2(\tau) + \frac{N_0^2}{A^2} B_o^2 \end{split}$$

• PSD $S_{|b|^2}(\omega)$:

$$\begin{split} A^{2}S_{|b|^{2}}(\omega) &= A^{2}\mathcal{F}\{R_{|b|^{2}}(\tau)\} = 2\pi A^{2}\frac{N_{0}^{2}}{A^{2}}B_{o}^{2}\delta(\omega) + A^{2}\frac{1}{2\pi}S_{b}(\omega) * S_{b}(\omega), \quad S_{b}(\omega) = \frac{N_{0}}{A} \sqcap (\frac{\omega}{2\pi B_{o}}) \\ A^{2}S_{|b|^{2}}(\omega) &= 2\pi P_{b_{0}}^{2}\delta(\omega) + A^{2}\frac{N_{0}^{2}}{A^{2}}B_{0}\Lambda(\frac{\omega}{2\pi B_{o}}) \\ &\approx 2\pi P_{b_{0}}^{2}\delta(\omega) + N_{0}^{2}B_{o} = 2\pi P_{b_{0}}^{2}\delta(\omega) + N_{0}P_{b_{0}}, \quad \text{bandwidth of } s(t) \ll B_{o} \end{split}$$

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• Correlation $R_{sb}(\tau)$:

$$\begin{aligned} R_{sb}(\tau) &= \mathcal{E}\left\{s(t)s(t+\tau)b^{*}(t)b^{*}(t+\tau) + s^{*}(t)s^{*}(t+\tau)b(t)b(t+\tau) + s(t)s^{*}(t+\tau)b^{*}(t)b(t+\tau) \\ &+ s^{*}(t)s(t+\tau)b(t)b^{*}(t+\tau)\right\} = \mathcal{E}\left\{2\operatorname{Re}\{s(t)s(t+\tau)b^{*}(t)b^{*}(t+\tau) + s(t)s^{*}(t+\tau)b^{*}(t)b(t+\tau)\}\right\} \\ &= 2\operatorname{Re}\left\{R_{ss}(\tau)R_{b^{*}b^{*}}(\tau) + R_{ss^{*}}(\tau)R_{b^{*}b}(\tau)\right\} = 2\operatorname{Re}\left\{R_{ss^{*}}(\tau)R_{b^{*}b}(\tau)\right\} = 2\operatorname{Re}\left\{R_{s}(\tau)R_{b}(\tau)\right\} \\ &= 2R_{s}(\tau)R_{b}(\tau) \approx 2R_{s}(0)R_{b}(\tau) = 2I_{s}R_{b}(\tau), \quad \text{bandwidth of } s(t) \ll B_{o}\end{aligned}$$

• PSD $S_{sb}(\omega)$:

$$A^2S_{sb}(\omega) = A^2\mathcal{F}\{R_{sb}(\tau)\} = 2A^2I_s\frac{N_0}{A} = 2P_sN_0, \quad |\omega| \leq \frac{B_o}{2}$$

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• Correlation $R_n(\tau)$:

$$R_{n}(\tau) = \alpha^{2} \Big[2P_{s}P_{b0} + A^{2}R_{|s|^{2}}(\tau) + A^{2}R_{|b|^{2}}(\tau) + A^{2}R_{sb}(\tau) \Big]$$

• PSD $S_n(\omega)$:

$$S_n(\omega) = \alpha^2 \Big[4\pi P_s P_{b0} \delta(\omega) + 2\pi P_s^2 \delta(\omega) + P_s^2 \beta^2 S_m(\omega) + 2\pi P_{b_0}^2 \delta(\omega) + N_0 P_{b0} + 2P_s N_0 \Big]$$
$$= 2\pi \alpha^2 (P_s + P_{b_0})^2 \delta(\omega) + (\alpha \beta P_s)^2 S_m(\omega) + \alpha^2 (N_0 P_{b0} + 2P_s N_0)$$

• Current power spectral density:

$$\begin{split} S_{i}(\omega) &= |H_{T}(\omega)|^{2} \big[\mathcal{E}_{n} \{ \bar{n} \} + S_{n}(\omega) \big] \\ &= |H_{T}(\omega)|^{2} \Big[\alpha (P_{s} + P_{b_{0}}) + 2\pi \alpha^{2} (P_{s} + P_{b_{0}})^{2} \delta(\omega) + (\alpha \beta P_{s})^{2} S_{m}(\omega) + \alpha^{2} (N_{0} P_{b0} + 2P_{s} N_{0}) \Big] \end{split}$$



Figure: Current spectrum for a Single-mode optical direct detection system with stationary received intensity.

• Current power spectral density:

$$S_{i}(\omega) = |H_{T}(\omega)|^{2} \Big[\alpha (P_{s} + P_{b_{0}}) + \alpha^{2} N_{0} (P_{b0} + 2P_{s}) + 2\pi \alpha^{2} (P_{s} + P_{b_{0}})^{2} \delta(\omega) + (\alpha \beta P_{s})^{2} S_{m}(\omega) \Big]$$



Figure: Multi-mode optical direct detection system with stationary received intensity. The signal is included in the first mode and other modes only contain background noise.

- Received noisy complex envelope: $a(t, \mathbf{r}) = s_1(t) + b_1(t) + \sum_{i=2}^{D_s} b_i(t)\Phi_i(\mathbf{r})$
- Intensity modulation: $|s_1(t)|^2 = I_s[1 + \beta m(t)]$
- Current power spectral density: $S_i(\omega) = |H_T(\omega)|^2 [\mathcal{E}_n\{\bar{n}\} + S_n(\omega)]$

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• Expected mean count $\mathcal{E}_n\{\bar{n}\}$:

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{E}_n\{n(t)\} &= \alpha A \mathcal{E}_n \Big\{ |s(t) + b(t)|^2 + \sum_{i=2}^{D_s} |b_i(t)|^2 \Big\} \\ &= \alpha A \mathcal{E}_n \Big\{ |s(t) + b(t)|^2 \Big\} + \alpha A \sum_{i=2}^{D_s} \mathcal{E}_n \Big\{ |b_i(t)|^2 \Big\} \\ &= \alpha (P_s + P_{b0}) + \alpha (D_s - 1) P_{b0} \end{split}$$

$$\mathcal{E}_n\{\bar{n}\} = \lim_{T \to \infty} \frac{\int_{-T}^T \mathcal{E}_n\{n(t)\} dt}{2T} = \alpha (P_s + D_s P_{b0})$$

• Correlation $R_n(\tau)$:

$$\begin{split} R_n(\tau) &= \mathcal{E}\{n(t+\tau)n(t)\} \\ &= (\alpha A)^2 \mathcal{E}\left\{\left[|s_1(t+\tau) + b_1(t+\tau)|^2 + \sum_{i=2}^{D_s} |b_i(t+\tau)|^2\right] \left[|s_1(t) + b_1(t)|^2 + \sum_{i=2}^{D_s} |b_i(t)|^2\right]\right\} \\ &= (\alpha A)^2 \mathcal{E}\left\{|s_1(t+\tau) + b_1(t+\tau)|^2|s_1(t) + b_1(t)|^2\right\} + (\alpha A)^2 \sum_{i=2}^{D_s} \mathcal{E}\left\{|b_i(t+\tau)|^2|b_i(t)|^2\right\} \\ &+ (\alpha A)^2 \sum_{i=2}^{D_s} \mathcal{E}\left\{|s_1(t+\tau) + b_1(t+\tau)|^2|b_i(t)|^2\right\} + (\alpha A)^2 \sum_{i=2}^{D_s} \mathcal{E}\left\{|s_1(t) + b_1(t)|^2|b_i(t+\tau)|^2\right\} \\ &+ (\alpha A)^2 \sum_{i,j=2, i\neq j}^{D_s} \mathcal{E}\left\{|b_i(t+\tau)|^2|b_j(t)|^2\right\} \\ &= R_{n_1}(\tau) + \sum_{i=2}^{D_s} R_{n_i}(\tau) + 2(D_s - 1)\alpha^2(P_s + P_{b_0})P_{b_0} + [(D_s - 1)^2 - (D_s - 1)]\alpha^2 P_{b_0}^2 \end{split}$$

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• PSD $S_n(\omega)$:

$$\begin{split} S_n(\omega) &= 2\pi\alpha^2 (P_s + P_{b_0})^2 \delta(\omega) + (\alpha\beta P_s)^2 S_m(\omega) + \alpha^2 (N_0 P_{b0} + 2P_s N_0) + (D_s - 1) [2\pi\alpha^2 P_{b_0}^2 \delta(\omega) \\ &+ \alpha^2 N_0 P_{b0}] + 2\pi\delta(\omega) \Big[2(D_s - 1)\alpha^2 (P_s + P_{b_0}) P_{b_0} + ((D_s - 1)^2 - (D_s - 1))\alpha^2 P_{b_0}^2 \Big] \\ &= 2\pi\alpha^2 (P_s + D_s P_{b_0})^2 \delta(\omega) + (\alpha\beta P_s)^2 S_m(\omega) + \alpha^2 (D_s N_0 P_{b_0} + 2P_s N_0) \end{split}$$

• Noise power:

$$P_b = D_s P_{b_0} = D_s N_0 B_o = I(\lambda, T) B_o \Omega_{fv} A, \quad I(\lambda, T) = \frac{2hc^2}{\lambda^5} \frac{1}{\exp\left(\frac{hc}{\lambda KT}\right) - 1}$$

• Current power spectral density:

$$S_{i}(\omega) = |H_{T}(\omega)|^{2} \Big[\alpha(P_{s} + P_{b}) + 2\pi\alpha^{2}(P_{s} + P_{b})^{2}\delta(\omega) + (\alpha\beta P_{s})^{2}S_{m}(\omega) + \alpha^{2}(N_{0}P_{b} + 2P_{s}N_{0}) \Big]$$

$$\alpha N_{0} \ll 1 \Rightarrow S_{i}(\omega) = |H_{T}(\omega)|^{2} \Big[\alpha(P_{s} + P_{b}) + 2\pi\alpha^{2}(P_{s} + P_{b})^{2}\delta(\omega) + (\alpha\beta P_{s})^{2}S_{m}(\omega) \Big]$$

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Figure: Multi-mode optical direct detection system with stationary received intensity. The signal is included in the first mode and other modes only contain background noise.

• Current power spectral density with carrier multiplication, dark current, and thermal noise:

$$S_{i}(\omega) = |H_{T}(\omega)|^{2} \left[\left[\left(\frac{I_{dc}}{e} \right)^{2} + (\alpha \bar{g})^{2} (P_{s} + P_{b})^{2} \right] 2\pi \delta(\omega) + (\alpha \bar{g}\beta P_{s})^{2} S_{m}(\omega) + \alpha \bar{g^{2}} (P_{s} + P_{b}) + \frac{I_{dc}}{e} \right] + N_{0c}$$

• Output power spectral density:

$$S_{y}(\omega) = |F(\omega)|^{2} \Big[(\alpha e \bar{g} \beta P_{s})^{2} S_{m}(\omega) + \alpha e^{2} \bar{g^{2}} (P_{s} + P_{b}) + e I_{dc} + N_{0c} \Big], B_{m} \ll B_{o}, |H(\omega)| = e^{2}$$

• Electronic SNR:

$$\mathsf{SNR} = \frac{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-2\pi B_m}^{2\pi B_m} (\alpha e \bar{g} \beta P_s)^2 S_m(\omega) d\omega}{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-2\pi B_m}^{2\pi B_m} \left[\alpha e^2 \bar{g^2} (P_s + P_b) + e I_{dc} + N_{0c} \right] d\omega} = \frac{(\alpha e \bar{g} \beta P_s)^2 P_m}{\left[\alpha e^2 \bar{g^2} (P_s + P_b) + e I_{dc} + N_{0c} \right] d\omega}$$

• Electronic SNR:

$$SNR = \frac{(\alpha e \bar{g} P_s)^2 (\beta^2 P_m)}{\left[\alpha e^2 \bar{g}^2 (P_s + P_b) + e I_{dc} + N_{0c}\right] 2B_m}$$

• Shot noise-limited SNR:

$$\mathrm{SNR}\approx\frac{(\alpha P_s)^2(\beta^2 P_m)}{F\alpha(P_s+P_b)2B_m},\quad F=\frac{\bar{g^2}}{\bar{g}^2},\quad I_{dc}\approx 0,\quad N_{0c}\approx 0$$

• Quantum-limited SNR:

$$\mathrm{SNR}_{QL} \approx \frac{\alpha P_s}{2B_m} = \frac{\eta P_s}{(h\nu)2B_m}, \quad F = \frac{\bar{g}^2}{\bar{g}^2} = 1, \quad I_{dc} \approx 0, \quad N_{0c} \approx 0, \quad \beta^2 P_m = 1, \quad P_s \gg P_b$$

• Background noise limited SNR:

$$\mathrm{SNR} \approx \frac{\alpha P_s(\beta^2 P_m)}{2FB_m} \frac{P_s}{P_b}, \quad F = \frac{\bar{g^2}}{\bar{g}^2}, \quad P_b \gg P_s, \quad I_{dc} \approx 0, \quad N_{0c} \approx 0$$

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• Electronic SNR:

$$SNR = SNR_{QL}(\beta^2 P_m) \left[F(1 + \frac{P_b}{P_s}) + \frac{I_{dc}}{\bar{g}^2 e \alpha P_s F} + \frac{N_{0c}}{(\bar{g}e)^2 \alpha P_s F}) \right]^{-1}$$

• Electronic SNR:

$$SNR = (\beta^2 P_m) \frac{n_s^2}{[F(n_s + n_b) + n_{dc} + n_c] 2B_m}$$

- Average number of signal electrons per second: $n_s = \alpha P_s$
- Average number of background noise electrons per second: $n_b = \alpha P_b$
- Average dark current count rate in counts per second: $n_{dc} = \frac{I_{dc}}{\bar{r}^2 e}$
- Average circuit noise count rate in counts per second: $n_{dc} = \frac{N_{0c}}{(\bar{r}e)^2}$

Example (Multi-mode direct detection with $\Omega_{fv} \leq \Omega_s$)

A multi-mode incoherent detector has a field of view solid angle Ω_{fv} and receives D_s spatial modes of $M_s \ge D_s$ transmitted signal modes. Each signal mode has signal power P_{s_0} , noise power P_{b_0} , and incoherent modulation $|s_i(t)|^2(1 + \beta m(t))$. The corresponding shot-noise limited SNR is $\frac{(\alpha D_s P_{s_0})^2}{2\alpha F B_m D_s (P_{s_0} + P_{b_0})}$.



$$n(t) = \alpha A \sum_{i=1}^{D_{s}} |s_{i}(t) + b_{i}(t)|^{2} = \alpha A \sum_{i=1}^{D_{s}} \left[|s_{i}(t)|^{2} + |b_{i}(t)|^{2} + 2 \operatorname{Re}\{s_{i}(t)b_{i}^{*}(t)\} \right]$$

Example (Multi-mode direct detection with $\Omega_{fv} \leq \Omega_s$ (cont.))

A multi-mode incoherent detector has a field of view solid angle Ω_{fv} and receives D_s spatial modes of $M_s \ge D_s$ transmitted signal modes. Each signal mode has signal power P_{s_0} , noise power P_{b_0} , and incoherent modulation $|s_i(t)|^2(1 + \beta m(t))$. The corresponding shot-noise limited SNR is $\frac{(\alpha D_s P_{s_0})^2}{2\alpha F B_m D_s (P_{s_0} + P_{b_0})}$.

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{E}\{\bar{n}\} &= \mathcal{E}\{n(t)\} = \alpha A \sum_{i=1}^{D_s} \mathcal{E}\{|s_i(t) + b_i(t)|^2\} = \alpha \sum_{i=1}^{D_s} (P_{s_0} + P_{b_0}) = \alpha D_s (P_{s_0} + P_{b_0}) \\ \mathcal{E}\{n(t+\tau)n(t)\} &= (\alpha A)^2 \sum_{i,j=1}^{D_s} \mathcal{E}\{|s_i(t+\tau) + b_i(t+\tau)|^2|s_j(t) + b_j(t)|^2\} \\ &= (\alpha A)^2 \sum_{i=1}^{D_s} \mathcal{E}\{|s_i(t+\tau) + b_i(t+\tau)|^2|s_i(t) + b_i(t)|^2\} \\ &+ (\alpha A)^2 \sum_{i,j=1,i\neq j}^{D_s} \mathcal{E}\{|s_i(t+\tau) + b_i(t+\tau)|^2|s_j(t) + b_j(t)|^2\} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{D_s} (\alpha \beta)^2 P_{s_i}^2 R_m(\tau) + \sum_{i,j=1,i\neq j}^{D_s} (\alpha \beta)^2 P_{s_i} P_{s_j} R_m(\tau) + \dots = (\alpha \beta)^2 D_s^2 P_{s_0}^2 R_m(\tau) + \dots \end{split}$$

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Example (Multi-mode direct detection with $\Omega_{fv} \leq \Omega_s$ (cont.))

A multi-mode incoherent detector has a field of view solid angle Ω_{fv} and receives D_s spatial modes of $M_s \ge D_s$ transmitted signal modes. Each signal mode has signal power P_{s_0} , noise power P_{b_0} , and incoherent modulation $|s_i(t)|^2(1 + \beta m(t))$. The corresponding shot-noise limited SNR is $\frac{(\alpha D_s P_{s_0})^2}{2\alpha F B_m D_s (P_{s_0} + P_{b_0})}$.

$$\begin{split} S_{i}(\omega) &\approx |F(\omega)|^{2} e^{2} \left[\alpha D_{s} \bar{g}^{2} (P_{s_{0}} + P_{b_{0}}) + (\alpha \beta)^{2} D_{s}^{2} \bar{g}^{2} P_{s_{0}}^{2} S_{m}(\omega) \right] \\ \text{SNR} &= \frac{(\alpha D_{s} P_{s_{0}})^{2} (\beta^{2} P_{m})}{F \alpha D_{s} (P_{s_{0}} + P_{b_{0}})^{2} B_{m}} \propto \frac{(\alpha D_{s} P_{s_{0}})^{2}}{2 \alpha F B_{m} D_{s} (P_{s_{0}} + P_{b_{0}})} = D_{s} \frac{(\alpha P_{s_{0}})^{2}}{2 \alpha F B_{m} (P_{s_{0}} + P_{b_{0}})} \end{split}$$

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Example (Multi-mode direct detection with $\Omega_{fv} \geq \Omega_s$)

A multi-mode incoherent detector has a field of view solid angle Ω_{fv} and receives D_s spatial modes including $M_s \leq D_s$ transmitted signal modes. Each signal mode has signal power P_{s_0} , noise power P_{b_0} , and incoherent modulation $|s_i(t)|^2(1 + \beta m(t))$. The corresponding shot-noise limited SNR is $\frac{(\alpha M_s P_{s_0})^2}{2\alpha F B_m (M_s P_{s_0} + D_s P_{b_0})}$.



$${\sf SNR} \propto rac{(lpha M_s P_{s_0})^2}{2lpha {\sf FB}_m (M_s P_{s_0} + D_s P_{b_0})}$$

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Example (Max-SNR multi-mode direct detection)

A multi-mode incoherent detector, receiving a linear combination of the spatial modes, achieves the maximum shot noise-limited SNR for the combination coefficients $q_i = C \frac{P_{s_i}}{P_{s_i}+P_{b_0}}$, where P_{s_i} is the signal power is spatial mode *i* and P_{b_0} denotes the noise power in each spatial mode.



Example (Max-SNR multi-mode direct detection (cont.))

A multi-mode incoherent detector, receiving a linear combination of the spatial modes, achieves the maximum shot noise-limited SNR for the combination coefficients $q_i = C \frac{P_{s_i}}{P_{s_i} + P_{b_0}}$, where P_{s_i} is the signal power is spatial mode *i* and P_{b_0} denotes the noise power in each spatial mode.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{SNR} &\propto \frac{\left(\sum_{i} q_{i} P_{s_{i}}\right)^{2}}{2\alpha F B_{m} \sum_{i} q_{i}^{2} (P_{s_{i}} + P_{b_{0}})} \\ &\left(\sum_{i} q_{i} P_{s_{i}}\right)^{2} = \left(\sum_{i} q_{i} \sqrt{P_{s_{i}} + P_{b_{0}}} \frac{P_{s_{i}}}{\sqrt{P_{s_{i}} + P_{b_{0}}}}\right)^{2} \leq \sum_{i} \left(q_{i} \sqrt{P_{s_{i}} + P_{b_{0}}}\right)^{2} \sum_{i} \left(\frac{P_{s_{i}}}{\sqrt{P_{s_{i}} + P_{b_{0}}}}\right)^{2} \\ \text{SNR} &\propto \frac{\left(\sum_{i} q_{i} P_{s_{i}}\right)^{2}}{2\alpha F B_{m} \sum_{i} q_{i}^{2} (P_{s_{i}} + P_{b_{0}})} \leq \sum_{i} \frac{(\alpha P_{s_{i}})^{2}}{2\alpha F B_{m} (P_{s_{i}} + P_{b_{0}})} \\ &q_{i} \sqrt{P_{s_{i}} + P_{b_{0}}} = C \frac{P_{s_{i}}}{\sqrt{P_{s_{i}} + P_{b_{0}}}} \Rightarrow q_{i} = C \frac{P_{s_{i}}}{P_{s_{i}} + P_{b_{0}}} \end{aligned}$$

Example (Max-SNR multi-mode direct detection (cont.))

A multi-mode incoherent detector, receiving a linear combination of the spatial modes, achieves the maximum shot noise-limited SNR for the combination coefficients $q_i = C \frac{P_{s_i}}{P_{s_i} + P_{b_0}}$, where P_{s_i} is the signal power is spatial mode *i* and P_{b_0} denotes the noise power in each spatial mode.

$$egin{aligned} &P_{s_i}=0 \Rightarrow q_i=0 \ &P_{s_i}\gg P_{b_0} \Rightarrow q_i=1 \ &P_{s_i}=P_{s_i}\Rightarrow q_i=q_j \end{aligned}$$

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