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Summary

- Narrow-band frequency modulation
- Wideband frequency modulation

Introduction

- FM wave is a nonlinear function of the modulating wave.
- Spectral analysis of the FM wave is much more difficult than other modulation schemes.
- Approaches of the spectral analysis of FM wave
 - Simple case by considering the single-tone modulation that produces a narrow-band FM wave
 - More general case with single-tone modulation but the FM wave is wide-band.

Narrow-Band FM

- Message signal (or modulating wave)

$$m(t) = A_m \cos(2\pi f_m t)$$

- Instantaneous frequency of FM wave

$$f_i(t) = f_c + k_f A_m \cos(2\pi f_m t) = f_c + \Delta f \cos(2\pi f_m t)$$

$$\text{where } \Delta f = k_f A_m$$

- Δf is called the *frequency deviation*.

- Frequency deviation is proportional to the amplitude of the modulating signal and is independent of the modulating frequency.

- Angle

$$\theta_i(t) = 2\pi f_c t + \frac{\Delta f}{f_m} \cos(2\pi f_m t)$$

■ Modulation index

$$\beta = \frac{\Delta f}{f_m} \text{ rad}$$

- Hence, the angle can be rewritten as

$$\theta_i(t) = 2\pi f_c t + \beta \sin(2\pi f_m t)$$

■ FM wave

$$\begin{aligned} s(t) &= A_c \cos[2\pi f_c t + \beta \sin(2\pi f_m t)] \\ &= A_c \cos(2\pi f_c t) \cos[\beta \sin(2\pi f_m t)] - A_c \sin(2\pi f_c t) \sin[\beta \sin(2\pi f_m t)] \end{aligned}$$

- Narrow-band if $\beta \ll 1$ rad

- For narrow-band FM, that is, $\beta \ll 1$ rad

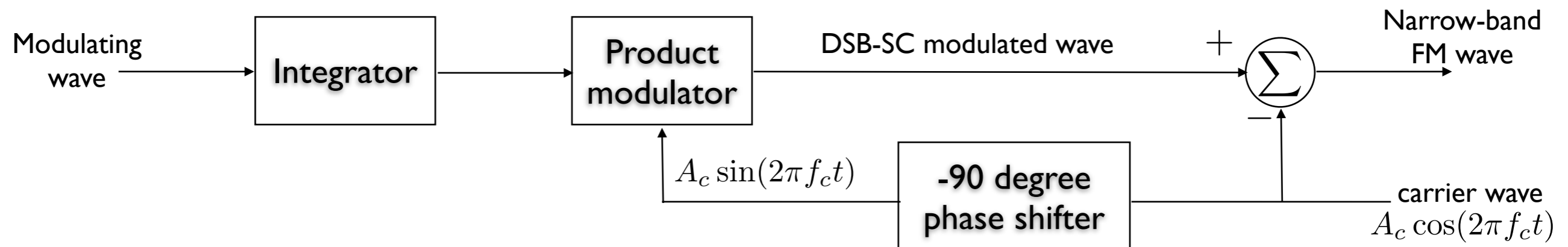
$$\cos[\beta \sin(2\pi f_m t)] \approx 1$$

$$\sin[\beta \sin(2\pi f_m t)] \approx \beta \sin(2\pi f_m t)$$

- which gives the approximate form of the FM wave such as

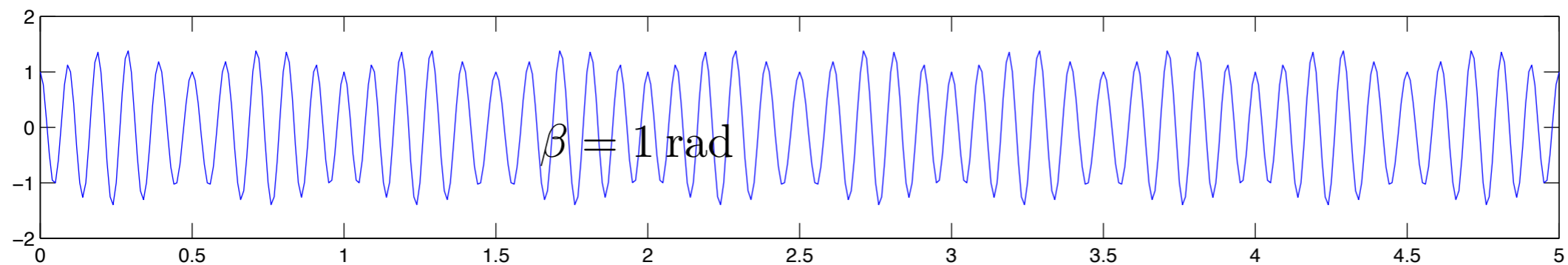
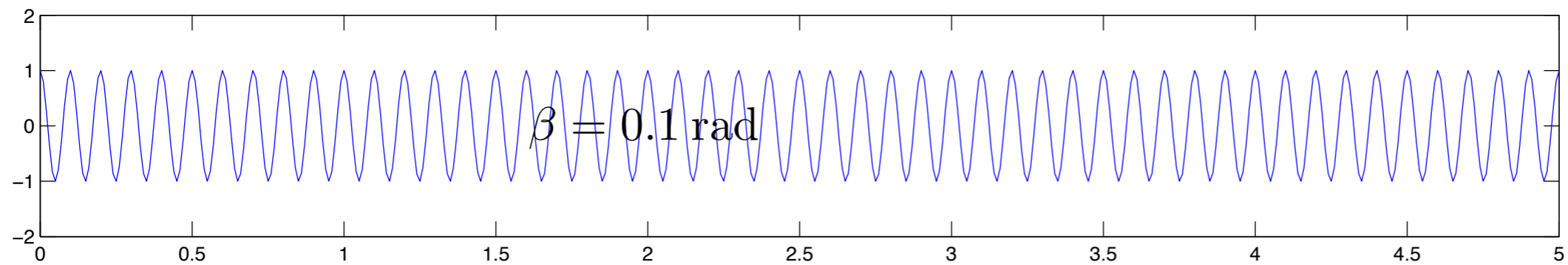
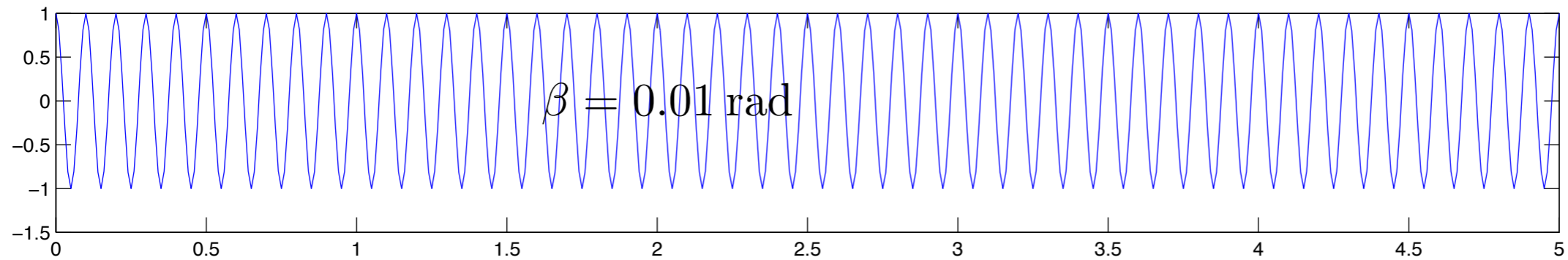
$$s(t) \approx A_c \cos(2\pi f_c t) - \beta A_c \sin(2\pi f_c t) \sin(2\pi f_m t)$$

- Block diagram



Example

$$f_c = 10 \text{ Hz} \quad f_m = 1 \text{ Hz} \quad A_c = 1$$



■ Approximate narrow-band FM signal

$$s(t) \approx A_c \cos(2\pi f_c t) - \beta A_c \sin(2\pi f_c t) \sin(2\pi f_m t)$$

$$= A_c \underbrace{\sqrt{1 + \beta^2 \sin^2(2\pi f_m t)}}_{\text{envelope}} \cos [2\pi f_c t + \underbrace{\phi(t)}_{\text{phase}}]$$

$$\text{where } \phi(t) = \tan^{-1}[\beta \sin(2\pi f_m t)]$$

- Using the approximation of $\tan^{-1}(x) \approx x - \frac{1}{3}x^3$ for small x

$$\phi(t) \approx \beta \sin(2\pi f_m t) - \frac{\beta^3}{3} \sin^3(2\pi f_m t)$$

- Envelope: $A_c \sqrt{1 + \beta^2 \sin^2(2\pi f_m t)}$

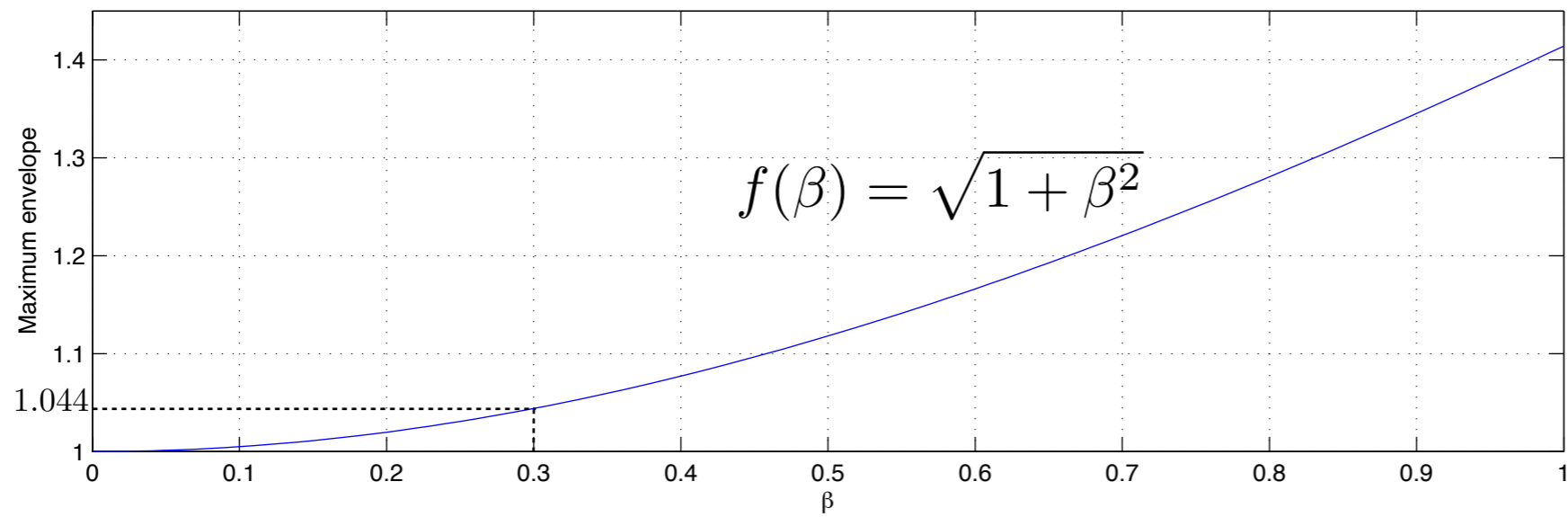
- Phase: $\phi(t) \approx \beta \sin(2\pi f_m t) - \frac{\beta^3}{3} \sin^3(2\pi f_m t)$

■ Remarks

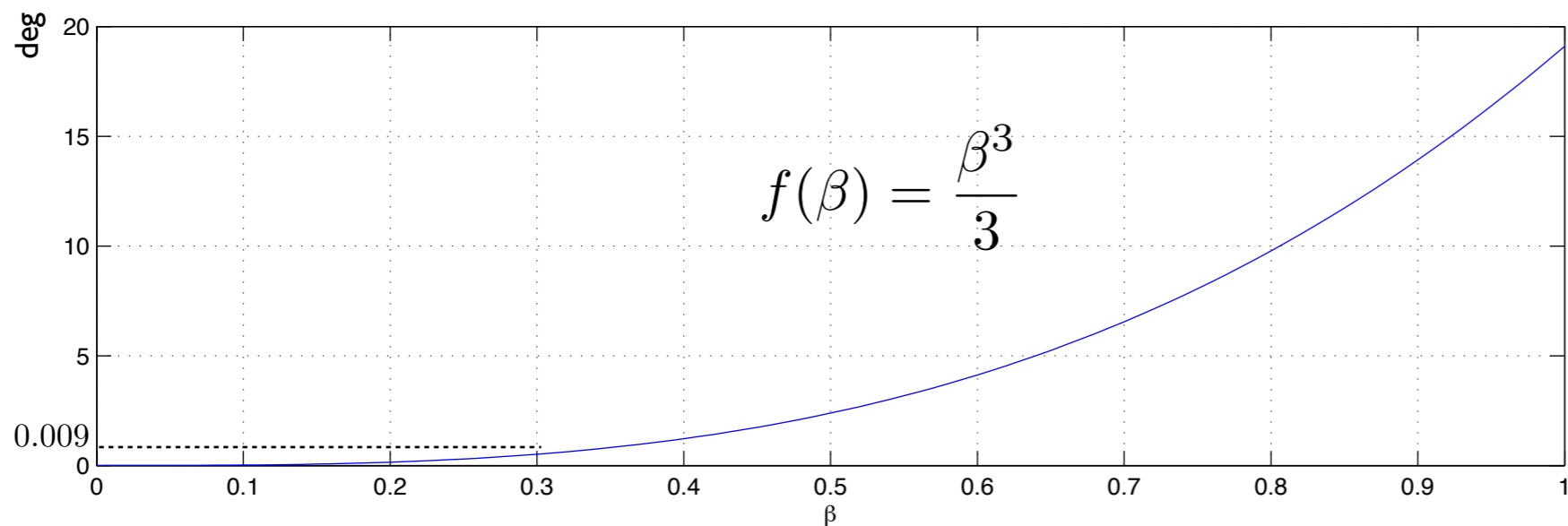
- Envelope is not constant due to the approximation of narrow-band FM and there exists residual amplitude modulation that varies with time.
- The angle contains harmonic distortion of third and higher order harmonics of the modulation frequency f_m .
- However, for $\beta < 0.3$, the effects of residual amplitude modulation and harmonic distortion are limited to negligible levels.

- Envelope of narrow-band FM is upper bounded by

$$\sqrt{1 + \beta^2 \sin^2(2\pi f_m t)} \leq \sqrt{1 + \beta^2}$$



- Phase $\phi(t) \approx \beta \sin(2\pi f_m t) - \frac{\beta^3}{3} \sin^3(2\pi f_m t)$
third-order harmonics



- Recall the approximated narrow-band FM signal given as

$$s(t) \approx A_c \cos(2\pi f_c t) - \beta A_c \sin(2\pi f_c t) \sin(2\pi f_m t)$$

- which can be rewritten as

$$s(t) \approx A_c \cos(2\pi f_c t) + \frac{1}{2} \beta A_c \{ \cos[2\pi(f_c + f_m)t] - \cos[2\pi(f_c - f_m)t] \}$$

- On the other hand, the AM signal is

$$s_{\text{AM}}(t) = A_c \cos(2\pi f_c t) + \frac{1}{2} \mu A_c \{ \cos[2\pi(f_c + f_m)t] + \cos[2\pi(f_c - f_m)t] \}$$

Wide-Band FM

■ FM wave

$$s(t) = \mathbf{Re}[A_c \exp(j2\pi f_c t + j\beta \sin(2\pi f_m t))] = \mathbf{Re}[\tilde{s}(t) \exp(j2\pi f_c t)]$$

● where

$$\tilde{s}(t) = A_c \exp[j\beta \sin(2\pi f_m t)]$$

is called the complex envelope of the FM wave $s(t)$.

● Noting that $\tilde{s}(t)$ is periodic signal with fundamental frequency, f_m which can be proven as

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{s}(t) &= A_c \exp[j\beta \sin(2\pi f_m (t + k/f_m))] \\ &= A_c \exp[j\beta \sin(2\pi f_m t + 2k\pi)] \\ &= A_c \exp[j\beta \sin(2\pi f_m t)]\end{aligned}$$

■ Fourier series form of $\tilde{s}(t)$

$$\tilde{s}(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n \exp(j2\pi n f_m t)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} c_n &= f_m \int_{-1/(2f_m)}^{1/(2f_m)} \tilde{s}(t) \exp(-j2\pi n f_m t) dt \\ &= f_m A_c \int_{-1/(2f_m)}^{1/(2f_m)} \exp[j\beta \sin(2\pi f_m t) - j2\pi n f_m t] dt \end{aligned}$$

Changing the variable such as $x = 2\pi f_m t$ gives

$$c_n = \frac{A_c}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \exp[j(\beta \sin x - nx)] dx = A_c J_n(\beta)$$

where $J_n(\beta)$ is the n th order Bessel function of the first kind and argument β defined as

$$J_n(\beta) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \exp[j(\beta \sin x - nx)] dx$$

- Complex envelope of the FM wave is in Fourier series form as

$$\tilde{s}(t) = A_c \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} J_n(\beta) \exp(j2\pi n f_m t)$$

- The FM wave can be now written as

$$\begin{aligned} s(t) &= \mathbf{Re} \left[A_c \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} J_n(\beta) \exp[j2\pi(f_c + n f_m)t] \right] \\ &= A_c \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} J_n(\beta) \cos[2\pi(f_c + n f_m)t] \end{aligned}$$

- and its Fourier transform is

$$S(f) = \frac{A_c}{2} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} J_n(\beta) [\delta(f - f_c - n f_m) + \delta(f + f_c + n f_m)]$$