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## PPT ON AMPLITUDE MODULATION

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# Amplitude Modulation

# Modulation: What and Why?

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- The process of shifting the baseband signal to passband range is called *Modulation*.
  - The process of shifting the passband signal to baseband frequency range is called *Demodulation*.
  - Reasons for modulation:
    - Simultaneous transmission of several signals
    - Practical Design of Antennas
    - Exchange of power and bandwidth
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# Types of (Carrier) Modulation

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- In modulation, one characteristic of a signal (generally a sinusoidal wave) known as the *carrier* is changed based on the information signal that we wish to transmit (*modulating signal*).
  - That could be the amplitude, phase, or frequency, which result in Amplitude modulation (**AM**), Phase modulation (**PM**), or Frequency modulation (**FM**). The last two are combined as Angle Modulation
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# Types of Amplitude Modulation (AM)

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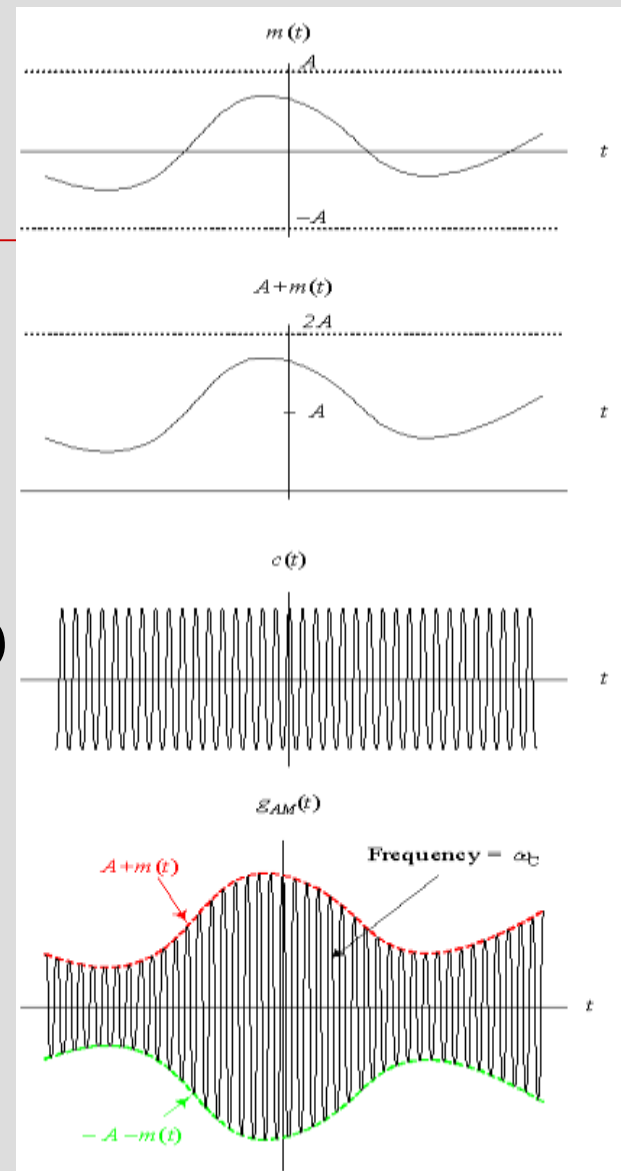
- ❑ **Double Sideband with carrier (we will call it AM):**  
This is the most widely used type of AM modulation. In fact, all radio channels in the AM band use this type of modulation.
  - ❑ **Double Sideband Suppressed Carrier (DSBSC):**  
This is the same as the AM modulation above but without the carrier.
  - ❑ **Single Sideband (SSB):** In this modulation, only half of the signal of the DSBSC is used.
  - ❑ **Vestigial Sideband (VSB):** This is a modification of the SSB to ease the generation and reception of the signal.
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# Definition of AM

- Shift  $m(t)$  by some DC value “ $A$ ” such that  $A+m(t) \geq 0$ . Or  $A \geq m_{\text{peak}}$

$$\begin{aligned}g_{AM}(t) &= [A + m(t)] \cos(\omega_c t) \\ &= A \cos(\omega_c t) + m(t) \cos(\omega_c t)\end{aligned}$$

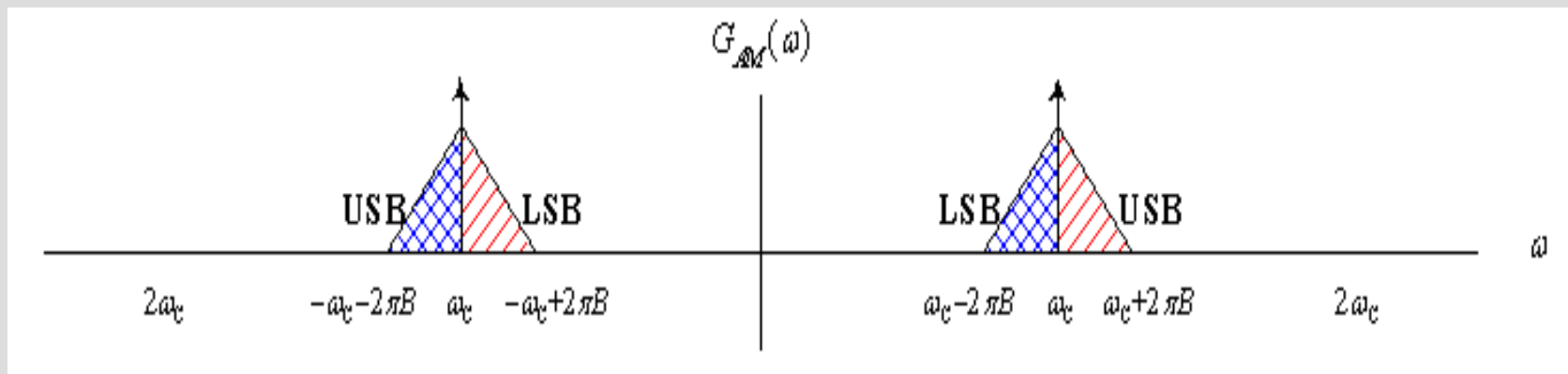
- Called DSBWC. Here will refer to it as Full AM, or simply AM
- Modulation index  $\mu = m_p/A$ .
- $0 \leq \mu \leq 1$



# Spectrum of AM

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$$g_{AM}(t) \Leftrightarrow \pi A [\delta(\omega - \omega_c) + \delta(\omega + \omega_c)] + \frac{1}{2} [M(\omega - \omega_c) + M(\omega + \omega_c)]$$



# The “Buy” and “Price” of AM

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- Buy: Simplicity in demodulation.
- Price: Waste in Power

$$g_{AM}(t) = A \cos \omega_c t + m(t) \cos \omega_c t$$

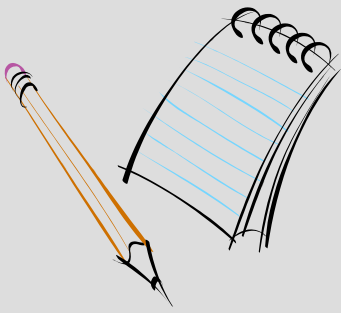
Carrier Power  $P_c = A^2/2$  (carries no information)

Sideband Power  $P_s = P_m/2$  (useful)

Power efficiency =  $\eta = P_s/(P_c + P_s) = P_m/(A^2 + P_m)$

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# Tone Modulation

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- $m(t) = B\cos(\omega_m t)$
- $g(t) = [A + B\cos(\omega_m t)] \cos\omega_c t = A[1 + \mu \cos(\omega_m t)] \cos\omega_c t$
- $\eta = (B^2/2)/(B^2/2 + A^2) = \mu^2/(2 + \mu^2)$
- Under best conditions,  $\mu=1 \rightarrow \eta_{\max} = 1/3 = 33\%$
- For  $\mu = 0.5$ ,  $\eta = 11.11\%$
- For practical signals,  $\eta < 25\%$



Would you use AM or DSBSC?

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# Generation of AM

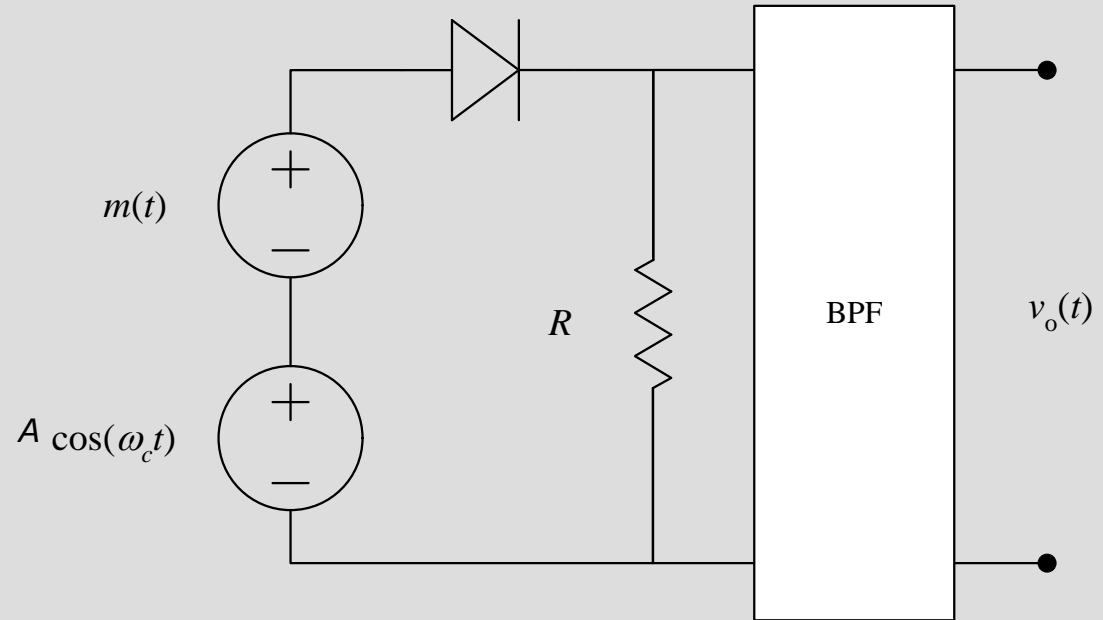
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- AM signals can be generated by any DSBSC modulator, by using  $A+m(t)$  as input instead of  $m(t)$ .
  - In fact, the presence of the carrier term can make it even simpler. We can use it for switching instead of generating a local carrier.
  - The switching action can be made by a single diode instead of a diode bridge.
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# AM Generator

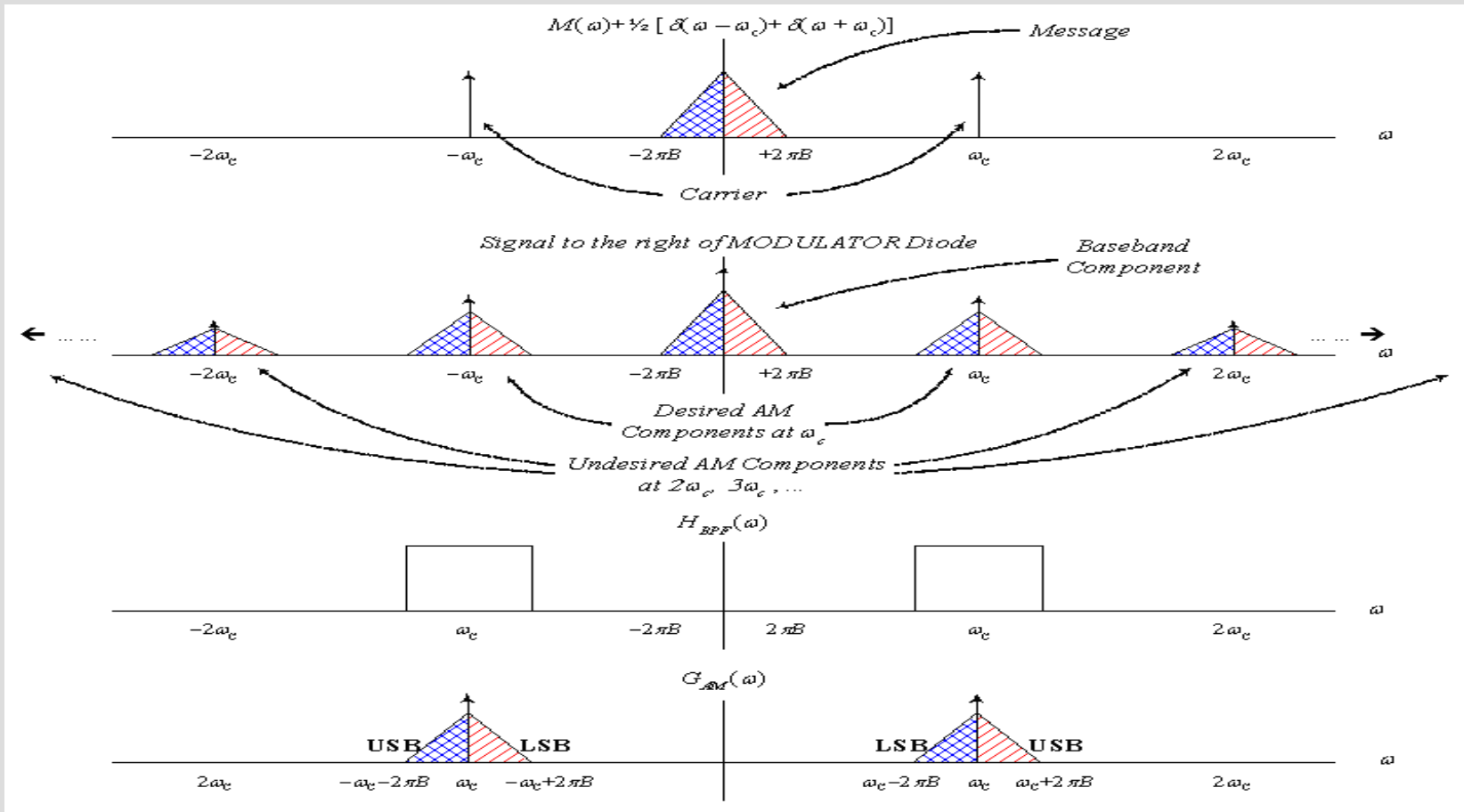
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- $A \gg m(t)$   
(to ensure switching at every period).



- $v_R = [\cos \omega_c t + m(t)][1/2 + 2/\pi(\cos \omega_c t - 1/3 \cos 3 \omega_c t + \dots)]$   
 $= (1/2) \cos \omega_c t + (2/\pi) m(t) \cos \omega_c t + \text{other terms (suppressed by BPF)}$
  - $v_o(t) = (1/2) \cos \omega_c t + (2/\pi) m(t) \cos \omega_c t$
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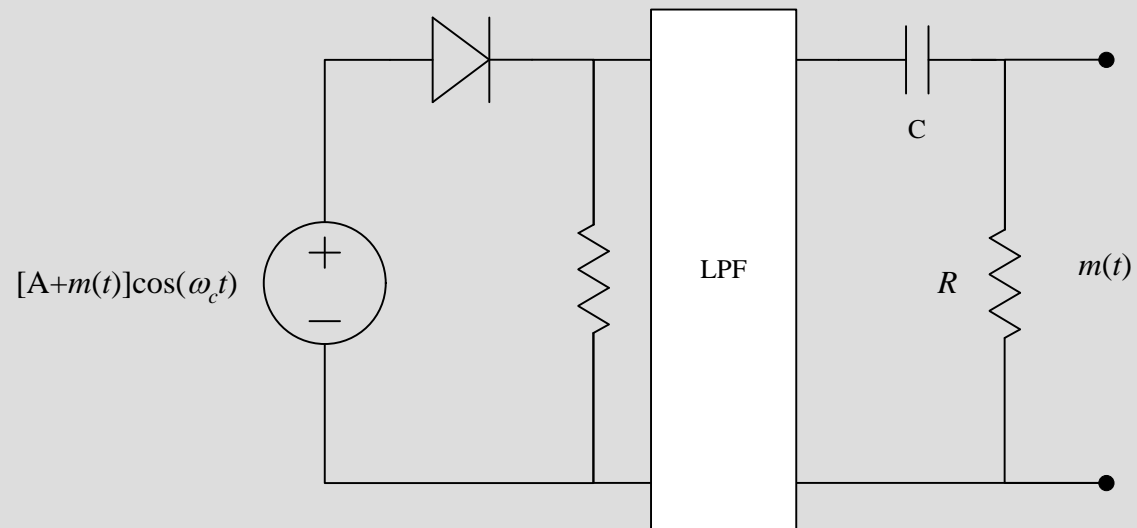
# AM Modulation Process (Frequency)



# AM Demodulation: Rectifier Detector

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- Because of the presence of a carrier term in the received signal, switching can be performed in the same way we did in the modulator.



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