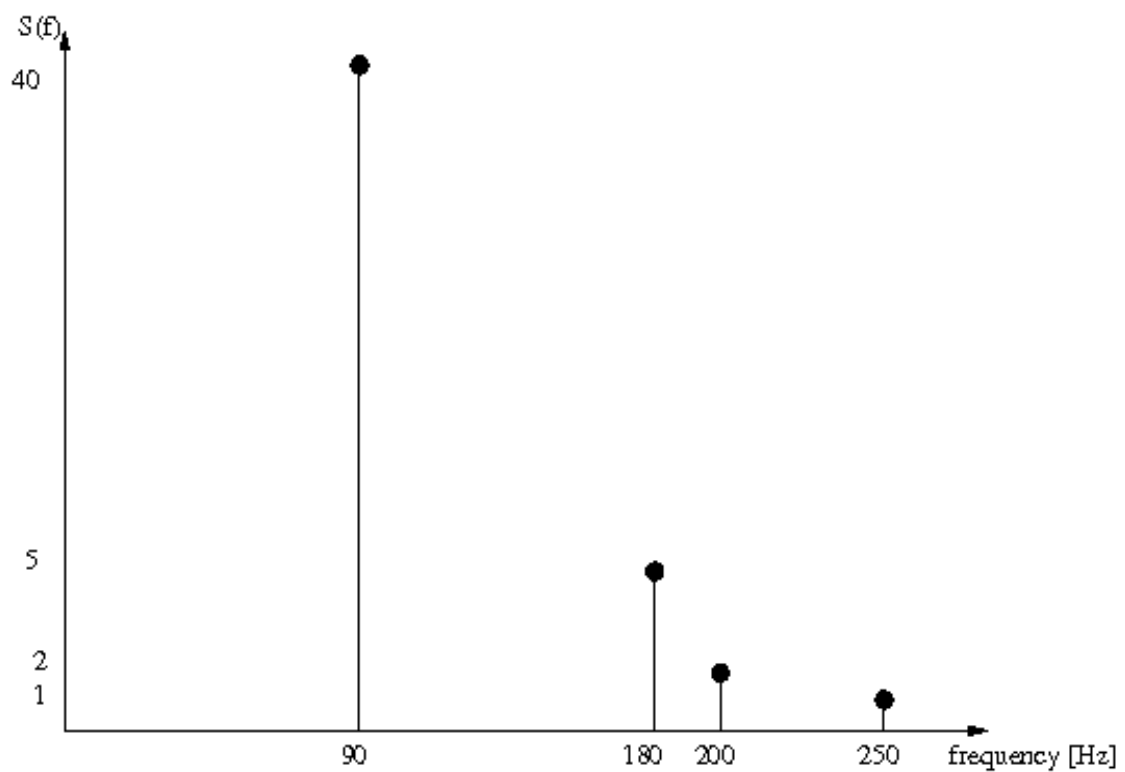
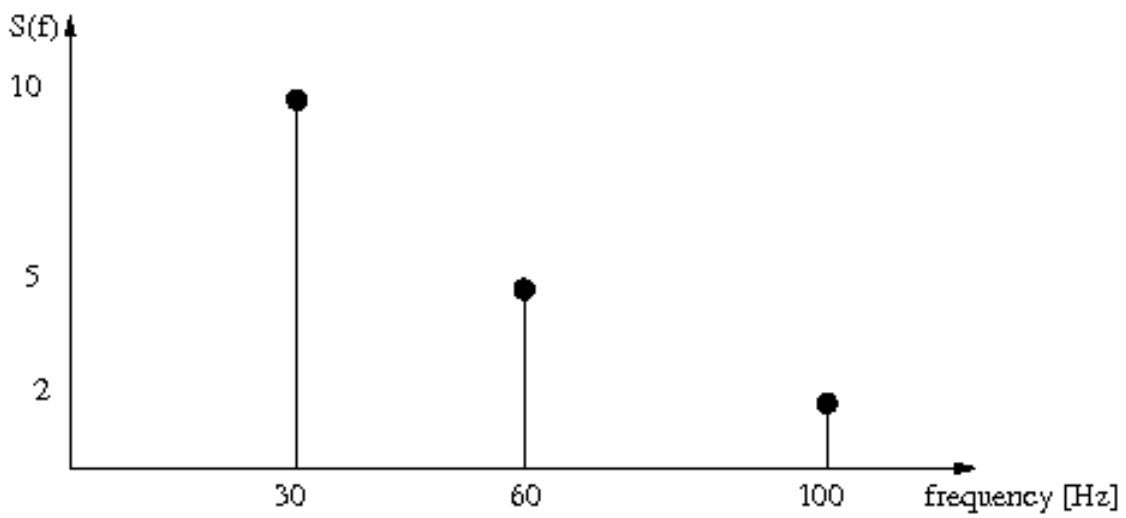


Answer

b) What is the absolute bandwidth of the above signal? [1 mark]

Answer

70 Hz

160 Hz

Question 2 [2 marks]

Consider the signal $s(t)$:

$$s(t) = 15\sin(10 \times 10^6 \pi t) + 5\sin(30 \times 10^6 \pi t) + 3\sin(50 \times 10^6 \pi t)$$

$$s(t) = 105\sin(3 \times 10^4 \pi t) + 35\sin(9 \times 10^4 \pi t) + 21\sin(1.5 \times 10^5 \pi t) + 15\sin(2.1 \times 10^5 \pi t)$$

a) What is the period of the $s(t)$? [1 mark]

Answer

Fundamental frequency is 5Mhz, therefore period is 0.2 μ s

(Alternative: frequency is 15000Hz, period is 66 μ s)

b) What is the absolute bandwidth of $s(t)$? [1 mark]

Answer

Minimum frequency component at 5Mhz and maximum at 25Mhz: BW = 20MHz

(Alternative: 90kHz)

Question 3 [3 marks]

A receiver receives a 4MHz/200kHz signal with power 150mW/310 μ W.

a) If the channel also contains noise of 10mW/10 μ W, what is the theoretical data rate possible? [2 marks]

Answer

Using Shannon capacity equation, Data rate = $B \log_2(1+SNR)$

$B = 4\text{MHz}$, Signal = 150mW, Noise = 10mW, SNR = 15, Data rate = 16Mb/s

$B = 200\text{kHz}$, Signal = 310 μ W, Noise = 10 μ W, SNR = 31, Data rate = 1Mb/s

b) Assuming the noise cannot be controlled, explain how can the data rate be increased, without increasing the bandwidth. [1 mark]

Answer

Increase the transmit power, thereby increasing receive power and SNR.

Question 3 [3 marks]

An encoding scheme maps 3/4 bits of digital data into one signal element.

a) In a noise-free channel with a bandwidth of 200KHz/10MHz, what is the maximum theoretical data rate possible? [2 marks]

Answer

If there are n bits of data mapped to a signal element, then 2^n different signal elements are needed

to represent any combination of bits. That is, there are $M = 2^n$ possible signal levels.

Using Nyquist capacity equation, Data rate = $2B \log_2(M)$

$n = 3$, $M = 8$, $BW = 200\text{KHz}$, Data rate = 1200Kb/s

$n = 4$, $M = 16$, $BW = 10\text{MHz}$, Data rate = 80Mb/s

b) Explain how can the data rate be increased, without increasing the bandwidth. [1 mark]

Answer

Increase the number of levels, e.g. more bits per signal element.

c) What is a disadvantage of increasing the data rate with the approach you suggest in part (b)? [1 mark]

Answer

Increase the number of errors.

Extra Question for Quizzes f, g and h

Question 4 [4 marks]

A terrestrial microwave communications system is created to deliver 1/2/2KB emergency warning messages from a transmission tower in town A to a receiver tower in town B. Because of the large distance between A and B, 5/4/3 *repeater* towers are needed between the two towns. Each tower uses the same equipment (for transmitter and receiver) with specifications as follows:

Transmit power: 10W
35dBm

Antenna Gain: 25dBi

Receive sensitivity: -31/-37.5/-

Data rate: 10Mb/s

Frequency: 30MHz

The time to deliver a warning message from A to B is 5.4/9/7ms.

What is the distance between town A and B?

Answer

Consider the total delay to deliver the message, D . If we assume there is no (or very little) processing and queuing delays, then the total delay should be the sum of the transmission and propagation delay for each link. There are $R+1$ transmissions, where R is the number of repeaters. So the total delay is:

$$D = \text{Distance} / (3 \times 10^8) + (R+1) * \text{MessageSize} / \text{DataRate}$$

As we know the message size, data rate, number of repeaters (R) and total delay (D), we can determine the distance between A and B.

Case 1:

$$5.4\text{ms} = \text{Distance} / (3 \times 10^8) + 6 * (8 * 1000) / 10 \times 10^6; \text{ therefore distance} = 180,000\text{m} = 180\text{km}$$

Case 2:

$9\text{ms} = \text{Distance} / (3 \times 10^8) + 5 * (8 * 2000) / 10 \times 10^6$; therefore distance = 300,000m = 300km

Case 3:

$7\text{ms} = \text{Distance} / (3 \times 10^8) + 4 * (8 * 2000) / 10 \times 10^6$; therefore distance = 180,000m = 180km

Another approach is to consider the path loss, and assuming free space path loss, determine the distance between transmitter and receiver. However we do not know the *Received Power* at each receiver. We only know the *Receiver Sensitivity*, which is the minimum Receive Power that the receiver can understand. It does not mean that the receiver *has to* receive at this power level; it is likely (and true in this question) that the receiver receives at a power much greater than the receiver sensitivity. Therefore we do not have enough information to use the free-space path loss model.