

# Transmit and Receive of FM, SSB and DSB-AM, QPSK FSK Signals Using Softrock SDR and Matlab

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## Abstract

This study included the transmission and reception of FM signals using the Softrock Ensemble RXTX SDR transceiver and the Frequency Shift Keying (FSK). FM signals are generated and plotted using MATLAB along with two input frequencies and a modulation index as inputs for the developed system, the DSB-SC modulated signals as well as DSB-WC signals are generated by multiplying the message with a carrier, while the SSB ones are generated by filtering out the lower sidebands of the DSB-SC modulated signal. Besides, the frequency modulation scheme in which digital information is transmitted through discrete frequency changes of a carrier wave. Advanced modulation and demodulation are fundamental procedures by computerized images that change into waveforms that are perfect with the qualities of a transmission channel; QPSK allows the signal to carry twice as much information as ordinary PSK using the same bandwidth.

**Keywords:** FM, RXTX SDR, FSK, SSB, QPSK

## 1. Introduction

The line insulators the main two types of the Amplitude Modulation (AM) technique are the Single Sideband (SSB) and Double Sideband (DSB). The SSB is considered a kind of AM with one sideband only and without the carrier wave suppressed[1]. On the other hand, the DSB is also counted as an AM with two sidebands; upper and lower ones and with the wave carrier suppressed. In practice, the DSB is consistent with the SSB receivers, in which the receiver only rejects the redundant or unwanted sideband[2]. Based on conducted studies in the state-of-the-art considering the range operation of FM, techniques, advantages, disadvantages, and applications. The operating range of FM signals' frequency is 88-108 MHz[3], where which makes these signals less vulnerable to both the orientation and the presence of humans and objects with small sizes[1], [4]. In addition, FM signals are mainly stronger than Wi-Fi signals due to their ability to simply cover large areas with offering efficient indoor penetration[5].

FSK utilizes two diverse recurrences reaches to speak to information estimations of 0 and 1[6]. The lower recurrence may speak to a 1 and the higher recurrence may speak to a 0. The recurrence of the sign is controlled by the baseband signal. Through the former amendments you can reach a 4PSk

amendment or quadrature phase shift keying (including removal of four-phase) where doing both leptin from any digital signal It all changed when the phase angle is included 2-bit and four-time change occurs in the signal at the grades (0) (+90) (-90) and (180)[7].

This paper contributes by comprehensively presenting the various techniques of FM for transmitting and receiving. The rest of the article is organized as follows; Section 2 is denoted for the modulation and demodulation of signals. The explanation details of the comparison between the used techniques of FM are presented in Section 3. The explanation for Frequency Shift Keying is defined in Section 4. The software-defined radio details are positioned in Section 5. Eventually, the conclusion summary of the paper is closing the article along with a recent list of references.

## 2. Modulation and Demodulation

Modulation is making a Radio signal carrying the data with a low frequency[8]. If we change the characteristics of the data carrier with a single change or several changes the amendment can be achieved. Getting the original signal data when the recipient receives the modulated signal for data processing modulated carriers is Demodulation.

## 3. Comparison of FM, AM, FSK, and QPSK signals

### A. Modulation of FM Signals

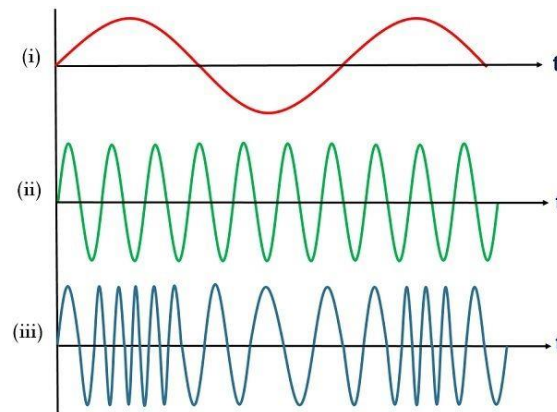
In the modulation of FM signals, the carrier amplitude is kept constant, while its frequency changes depending on the modulating signal[9]. Particularly, the frequency deviation between the original frequency and the instantaneous frequency of the carrier signal after modulation is related to the modulating signal's instantaneous amplitude [10]. On the other hand, the modulation index is used to express the change in the frequency of the modulated signal from that of the carrier one. In addition, it stands for the ratio of the maximum frequency deviation to the frequency of the modulating signal[10].

### B. Demodulation of FM signals

The demodulation of FM signals is similar to that of AM signals, in which both coherent and non-coherent methods can be deployed[2]. In practice, the coherent method is appropriate for FM signals with narrow bands, in which the receiver knows the received signal phase shift[2]. This in turn limits the application of such methods to specific areas only. On the other hand, the non-coherent method is appropriate for both wide and narrow-band FM signals[10].

### C. Amplitude Modulation (AM)

Practically, when the high-frequency carrier wave amplitude varies as a function of the signal intensity, this is known as amplitude modulation[11]. The principle of AM is shown in Figure 1. It can be noticed that the amplitudes of the negative and positive carrier wave half-cycles vary about the signal. In other words, the increase in the positive sense results in an increase in the carrier wave amplitude, while the opposite occurs for the negative half-cycle. The AM process is mainly performed using an electronic circuit known as the modulator [12].



**Fig 1: Representation of the AM principle, (a) Modulating signal, (b) Carrier waveform, and (c) Frequency modulated signal.**

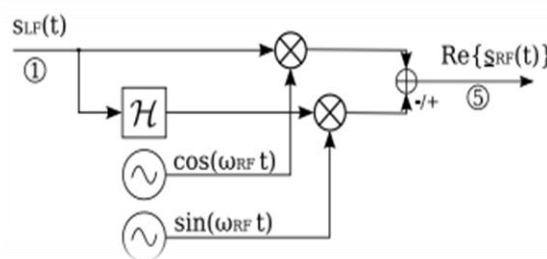
One of the essential considerations in the AM process is the modulation factor, which represents the modulation depth or the change in the carrier amplitude[13]. In other words, it is the ratio between the carrier amplitude change and the normal carrier wave amplitude. Such a factor determines both the quality and strength of the transmitted signal[14]. For any AM wave, the modulation of the carrier to a small degree results in a small carrier amplitude change.

**D. Amplitude Demodulation**

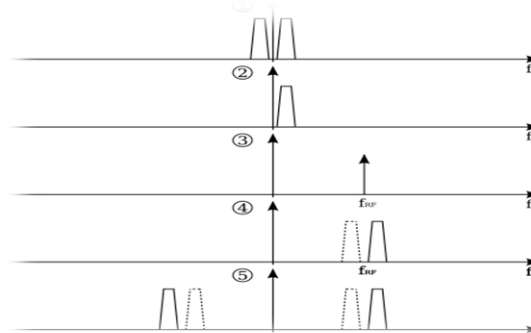
The amplitude modulation can be achieved using both simple and complex product detectors. The simple type can be constructed using both multiplication and low pass filter. The multiplication represents multiplying the real RF signal by a local one, which gives the following [15].

**E. Single Sideband (SSB) Modulation**

The realization of the SSB modulation is based on finding the Hilbert Transform of the modulated signal and then performing multiplying it with the complex RF generator signal illustrates the structure of such modulation[16]. The related intermediate signal spectra are shown in Figure 2.



**Fig 2: General structure of SSB modulation.**

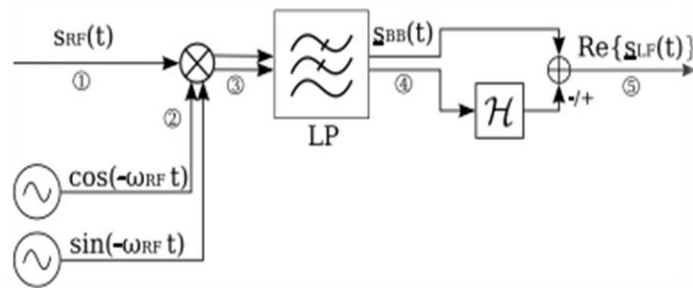


**Fig 3: Related intermediate signals spectra.**

**F. SSB Demodulation**

The main SSB demodulation stages are listed below are further explanationis shown in Figure 4 below that illustrating the structure of such a demodulation process[16].

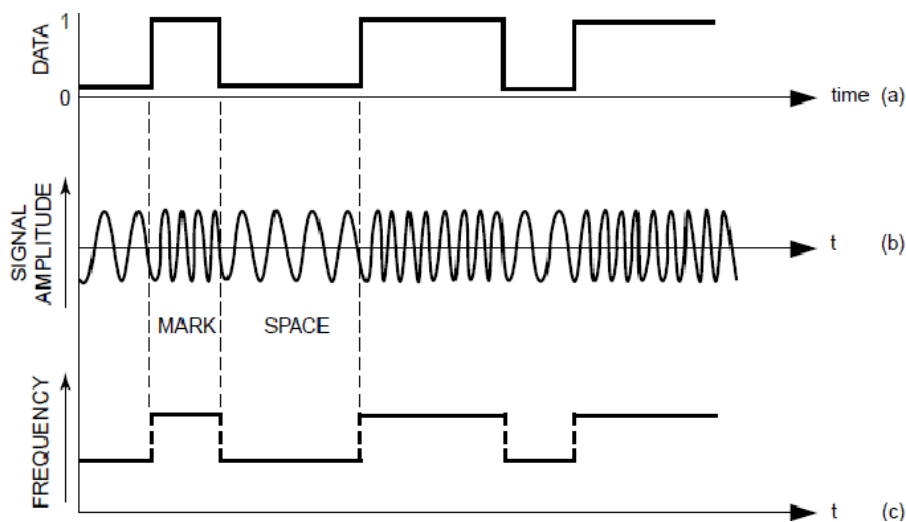
1. Shifting the input signal frequency based on the modulation with the complex conjugate RF signal
2. Choosing the baseband of approximately 0 based on using a low pass filter
3. Choosing the upper or lower SB based on filtering the negative or positive components of the frequency
4. Finding the resultant real part



**Fig 4: Structure of the SSB demodulation process**

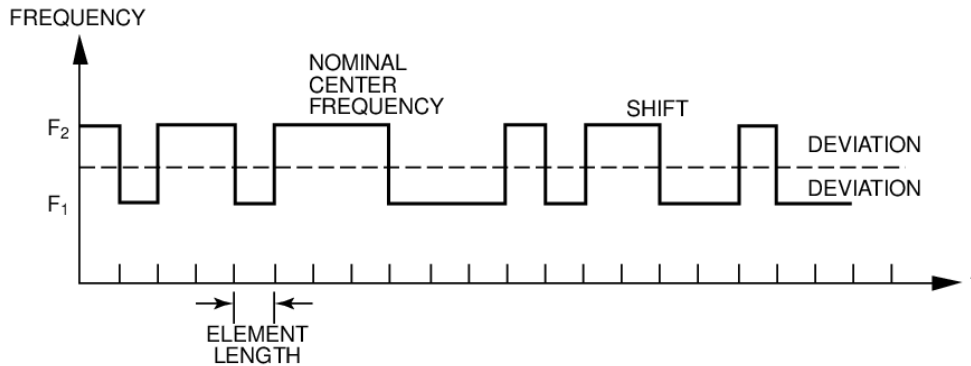
**4. Frequency shift Keying (FSK) Modulation**

FSK is viewed as a standout amongst the most understood advanced balance plans in the "high recurrence radio range"[17]. It additionally has a few applications in various sorts of circuits in the correspondence field. It is appropriate to be utilized as a part of the instance of PLC correspondence[18]. FSK tweak is utilized to transmit the information between computerized hardware like Teleprompters and PCs. The transmission of the information is performed by moving the bearer signal recurrence binarily. There are two discrete frequencies; one is allocated to transmitting the 1-digit "imprint" and one of them is doled out for 0-digit "space"[19]. The Binary one is alluded to as the sign that has higher recurrence esteem.



**Fig 5: FSK data, (a) Binary data, (b) FSK signal, and(c) Frequency characteristics of FSK signal.**

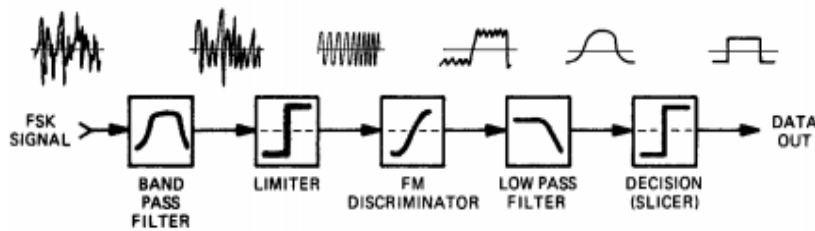
There are several parameters of the signal that are used in describing the FSK signal; the most common of them are illustrated in Figure 6.



**Fig 6: Parameters of FSK Signal.**

### A. FSK DEMODULATION

Keeping in mind the end goal to recoup the first transmitted sign, the demodulation procedure of the balanced sign can be performed in two ways, which are; channel sort and Frequency tweak demodulation[2]. If there should arise an occurrence of FM identifier sort, FSK is just regarded as the FM signal through paired regulation[8]. The piece chart for the FM finder appears in Figure 7.



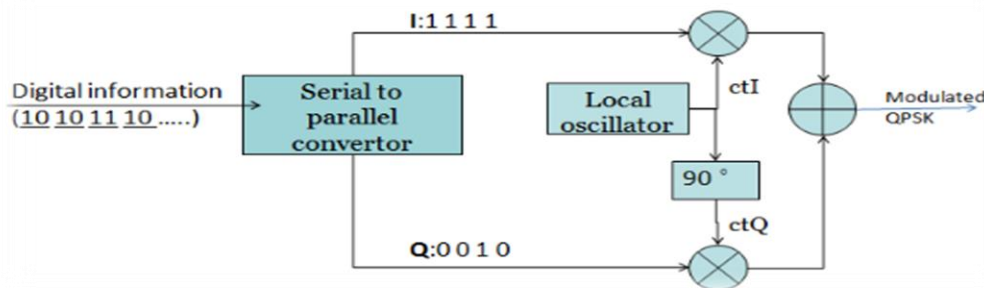
**Fig 7: FM Detector**

The demodulation procedure of the FSK sign utilizing FM as an indicator can be condensed as takes after; first the FSK sign is sifted by a Band Pass Filter (BPF) as a method for expelling the out-of-band impedance[20]. After that, the Amplitude Modulation (AM) impedance is then expelled utilizing the limiter. After the limiter, the FM recognized sign results; this sign creates a yield which is negative for the space condition and a yield which is certain for the imprint condition.

The clamor part that happened at those frequencies which are more prominent than the baud rate is then expelled utilizing the Low Pass Filter (LPF). Every single positive voltage is then changed over to speak to twofold 1 and all negative voltage is then changed over to speak to double 0. This kind of demodulation is ordinarily utilized as a part of the demodulation of the FSK sign since it is straightforward and described with the tuning which is non-basic in correlation with other demodulation systems. The Phased Locked Loop (PLL) has likewise been utilized as of late, both systems accomplished the same execution, yet in the event of those classes of signs which are little, the PLL is ideal[21]. The FM indicator experiences some unpredictability on account of the FDM framework[22].

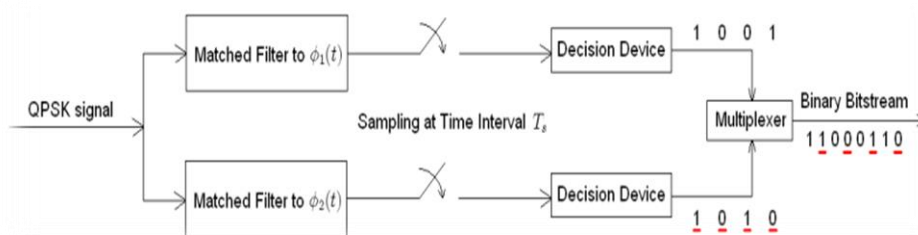
**B. Modulation and Demodulation of QPSK Signals**

Another PSK modulation method is the Quadrature Phase-shift keying (QPSK) which has twice the BPSK bandwidth efficiency due to the transmission of bits in one modulation symbol [23]. Those two bits lead to four patterns; 00, 01, 10 and 11. Therefore, the phase of the carrier signal changes between four values. In practice, there are two types of phase combinations, namely;  $\pi/4$ ,  $3\pi/4$ ,  $5\pi/4$  and  $7\pi/4$  and  $0$ ,  $\pi/2$ ,  $\pi$  and  $3\pi/2$ . Figure 8 below shows the phase relation, in which circles stand for the first combination, while triangles stand for the second combination. In practice, the information signal is sent bit by bit, in which the bits stream is divided into two sequences, where each one has the same modulation process of the BPSK [8]. The QPSK modulation process is shown in Figure 8.



**Fig 8: QPSK Modulation Process.**

As for previous cases, both the coherent and non-coherent methods can be deployed in the QPSK demodulation as shown in Figure 9, where  $ctI$  and  $ctQ$  stand for the two carrier signals. In such a process, there is a phase shift problem, which can be solved also using the preamble and carrier recovery circuit[23], [24].



**Fig 9: QPSK demodulation process**

**5. Software Defined Radio (SDR)**

Radio development in the field of communication that people need, including voice and video communication and broadcasting messages etc... Radio SDR is the definition of system software that includes all or many of the descriptors such as extraction or modification and others[25]. We can use wireless devices easily and cost less business mission, Software-defined radio (SDR) push forward communication cost efficiency and flexibility with the many benefits of scale achieved by the service providers by end users[25], You can get more than explain the meaning of software-defined Radioalso called (SDR), Radio is a type of wireless devices that transmit information and receive frequencies[7]. Several issues must be resolved to reach (SDR) which involves tuning the system specifications by various applications, In (SDR) system we can return some or all will be held such as the extraction and

modification and encoding etc. to finish this information allows the recognition of these specifications by the reception [26].

**A. SDR Advantages**

- Point and Click Control
- Easy Tuning
- A Computer Is Sharing the Workload
- Cheaper (In Some Cases)
- Smaller
- Visual look at a signal

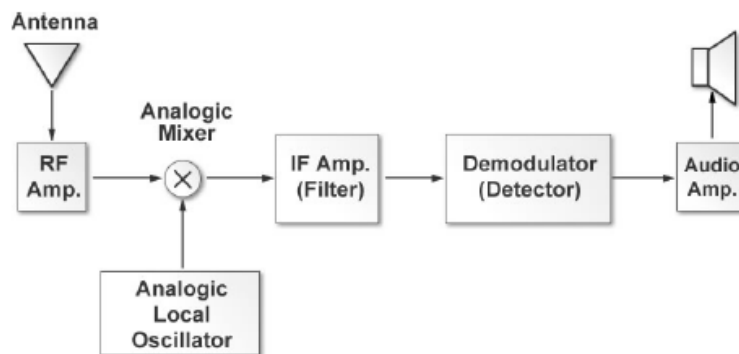
**B. SDR Disadvantages**

- Filtering Traded For Space
- Difficult to run on older computers
- Transmitting is more costly
- Dependent on Computer

**C. SDR Hardware**

• **Traditional Receiver**

Besides the classic demodulation, the conventional receiver and the three processes are presented[25]. Firstly, (1) to determine the signal from the carrier frequency setting or frequency shifting, secondly (2) the candidate is to separate from the others or filtering, thirdly (3) compensation for transport losses by amplification is placed amplification by the mass demodulation, due to carrying the signal to the required level circuits demodulation[27]. Most of the traditional reception setups used for about a century different plans appear in the following Figure 10 shows the basic structure is important to distinguish between traditional and Reception by new SDR techniques [10].

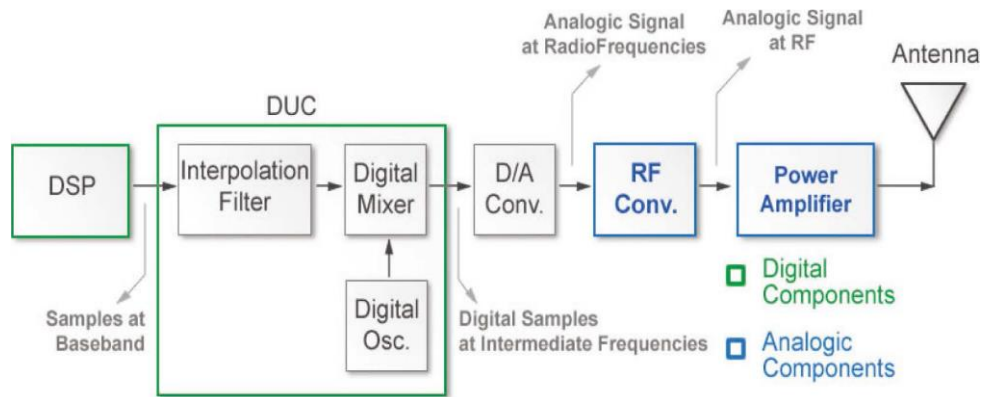


**Fig 10: Receiver’s Internal Blocks.**

In the previous Figure, signal interference through the antenna, it is amplified by the stage of RF, which operates in the frequency region of interest only after passing reference to the mixer through the other input that receives a contribution oscillator ornament with the appointment of frequency local oscillator by tuning the radio in charge of the translation frequency signal mediator (IF) It is the Mixer which makes a shift in frequency to an intermediate frequency (IF) [28].

#### D. SDR Transmitter

The baseband signal sent by SDR is generated by DSP income as shown in the following Figure 11. The first fund is digital up conversion DUC, which translates the baseband signal to IF by making it pass band.



**Fig 11: Block Diagram of an SDR Transmitter.**

DAC transmits the samples to the analogue domain after the RF is moving toward the high-frequency signal[29].Then amplified and the signal sent from the antenna DUC Filter is responsible for the high sample rate of baseband signal that is compatible with the operating of the ingredients followed by the so reverse process occurs at the receiving frequency [27], [30].

#### 6. Conclusion

This study was a Comparison between the transmission and reception, modulation, and demodulation of SSB and DSB AM signals. Processes are conducted. In the lower circuit, the recurrence of the transmitted sign is changed in a stage-consistent matter, in this manner staying away from stage hops. This sign from the period of another image will dependably rely on the period of the past image. Segregation between the two tone frequencies can along these lines incorporate stage data since an accurate model of the two waveforms depicting the advanced images can be developed in the beneficiary, given the period of the past image. For further investigations in the future, other modulation methods can be deployed in the developed system to be studied and analyzed. The receiver can also be modified to check such added preamble, in which when the preamble is right, it continues receiving the signal; otherwise, it rejects the transmission.

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