

# Tutorial for the FMPlot Package

## *FM Spectral Plots in Mathematica*

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### Getting Started

First, load in the FMPlot package so that it can be used in a *Mathematica* notebook. Specify the filename of the package source code to be loaded below:

```
<< "FMPlot.m"
```

To see all of the functions defined in FMPlot:

```
? FMPlot`*
```

AbsPositiveFMSpectrum	PositiveFMSpectrum
CombineSpectra	RemovePhase
Deviation	SpectralAmp
FMPlot	SpectralFreq
FMSpectrum	SpectralLines
Index	SpectralListQ
NormalizeSpectrum	SpectralPlot
PlotAbsPositiveFMSpectrum	

To get help on a particular function:

```
? FMPlot
```

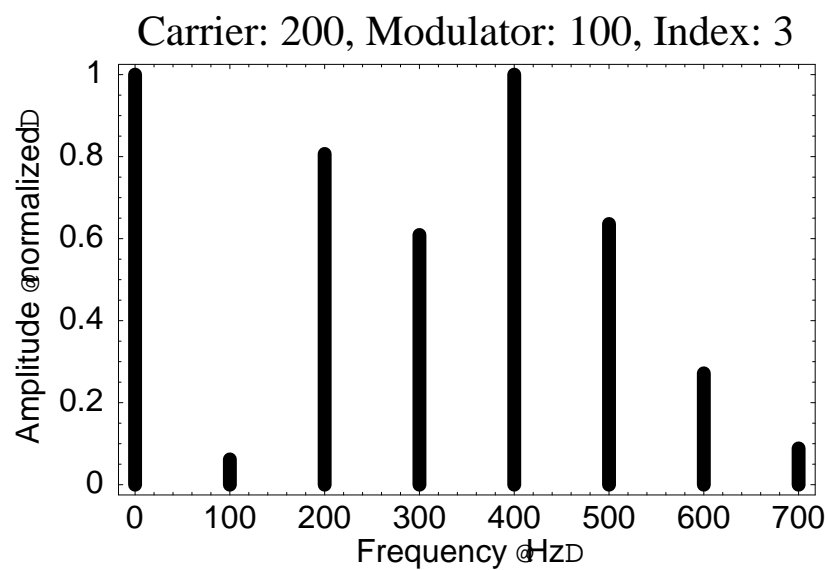
```
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0.045, width:0.02, plotOptionsD plots a frequency spectra of the  
given carrier ê modulator ê index; where width controls the  
size of the spectral lines, and lowering the minimumAmplitude  
may extend the range of the plot to include less important sidebands.
```

Double click on the right side of each heading below to open/close a section of this notebook:

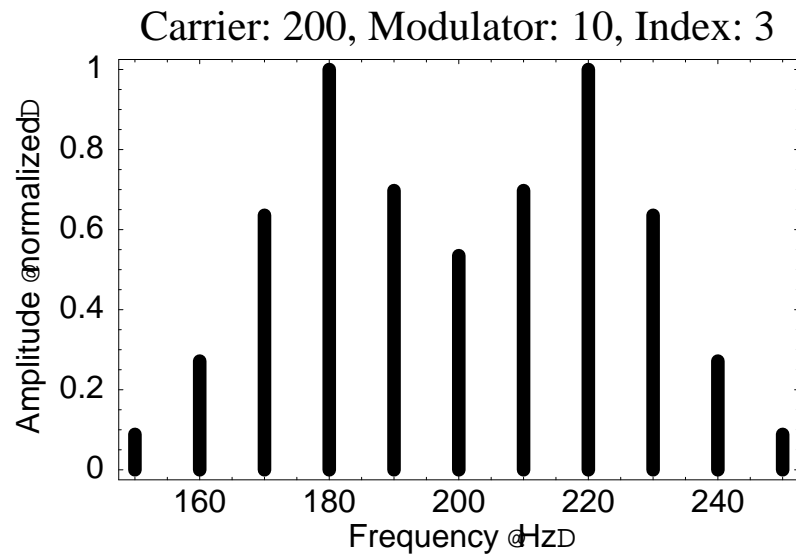
## Plotting FM Spectra

The main function for this package is `FMPlot`, which plots the FM spectrum of a given carrier / modulator pair as we hear it. The `FMPlot` function plots spectral lines and gives a title which lists the three variables of carrier frequency, modulator frequency, and index. All frequencies are positive for this plot since the negative frequencies are folded over and added or subtracted from the positive spectrum as necessary.

```
FMPlot@200, 100, 3D;
```

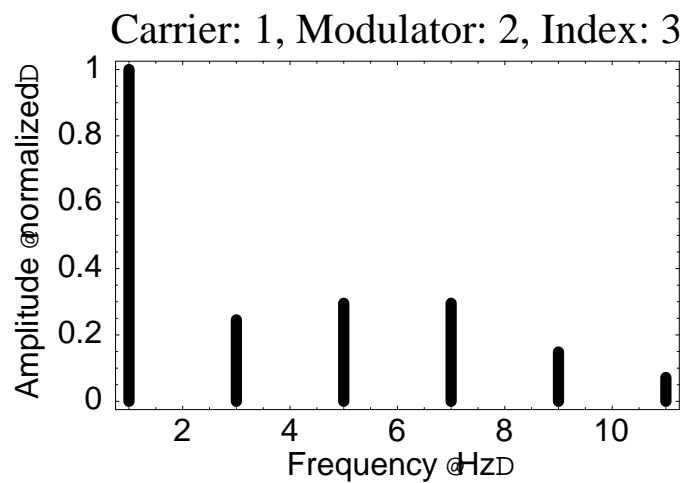


```
FMPlot@200, 10, 3D;
```



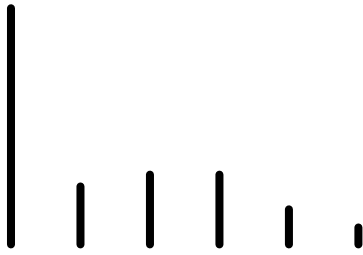
The default size of the plots may be slightly smaller than I would like, depending on the version of *Mathematica* which you are using. Since I use a larger font size than the default, you may have to increase the size of the plot by clicking on the plot and then dragging one of the corners.

```
FMPlot@1, 2, 3D;
```



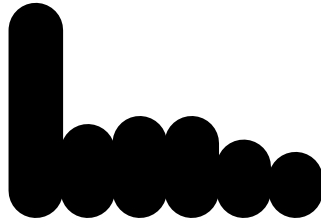
You can also draw just the spectral lines without any text:

```
Show@SpectralLines@AbsPositiveFMSpectrum@1, 2, 3DDD;
```

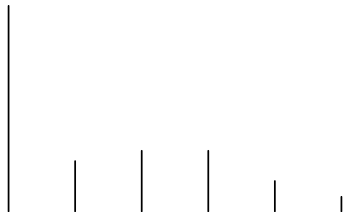


You can change the thickness of the spectral lines as well. The default is 0.02, and the range of values is [0..1]:

```
Show@SpectralLines@AbsPositiveFMSpectrum@1, 2, 3D, 0.2D, PlotRange -> AllD;
```

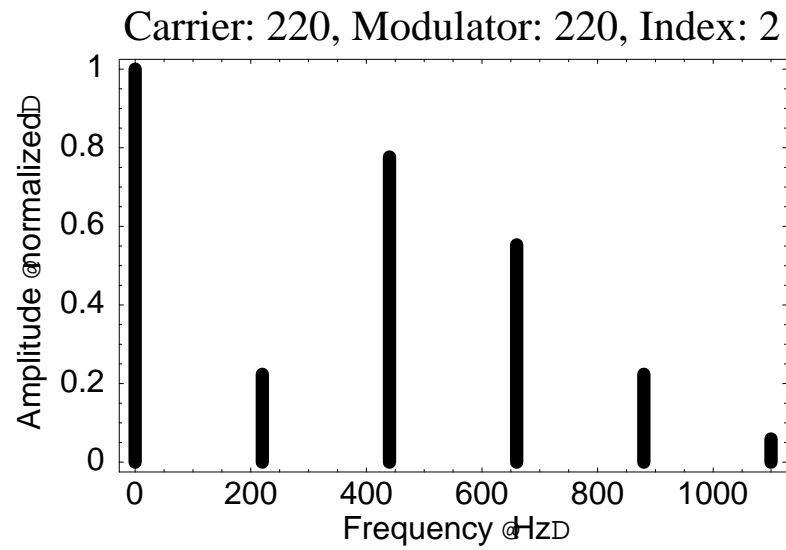


```
Show@SpectralLines@AbsPositiveFMSpectrum@1, 2, 3D, 0.005D, PlotRange -> AllD;
```

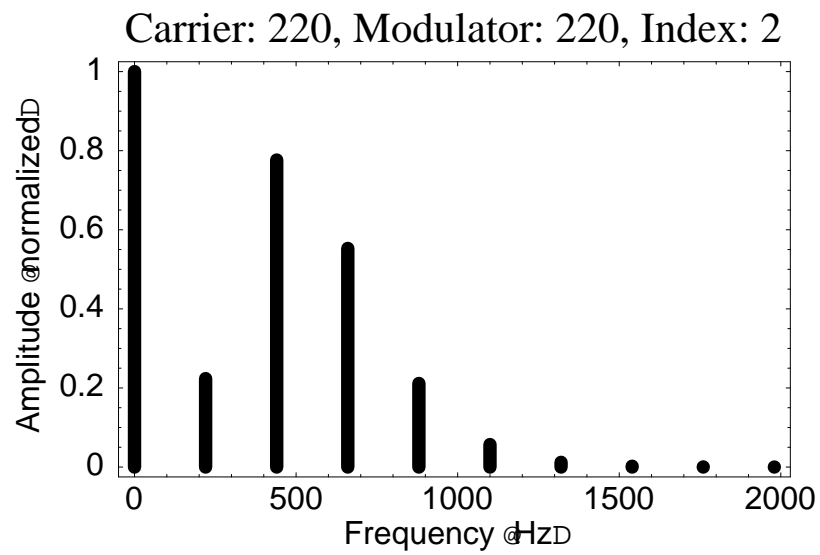


In `FMPlot`, you can specify the lower threshold for plotted amplitude of the spectral lines. The main spectral frequencies extend ( $\text{carrier} \pm k * \text{modulator}$ ), where  $k = \text{index} + 2$ . These lines will always be plotted no matter what, but you can extend the outer limits of the plotted spectrum to include additional insignificant harmonics which are present, but in very small quantities. The default minimum amplitude is 0.045, and lowering this parameter may add frequencies that are normally ignored. This amplitude is the value of the Bessel function, which can range from 0 to 1, but the maximum unnormalized value for any carrier/modulator/index amplitude is not always (nearly never) 1.

```
FMPlot@220, 220, 2D;
```

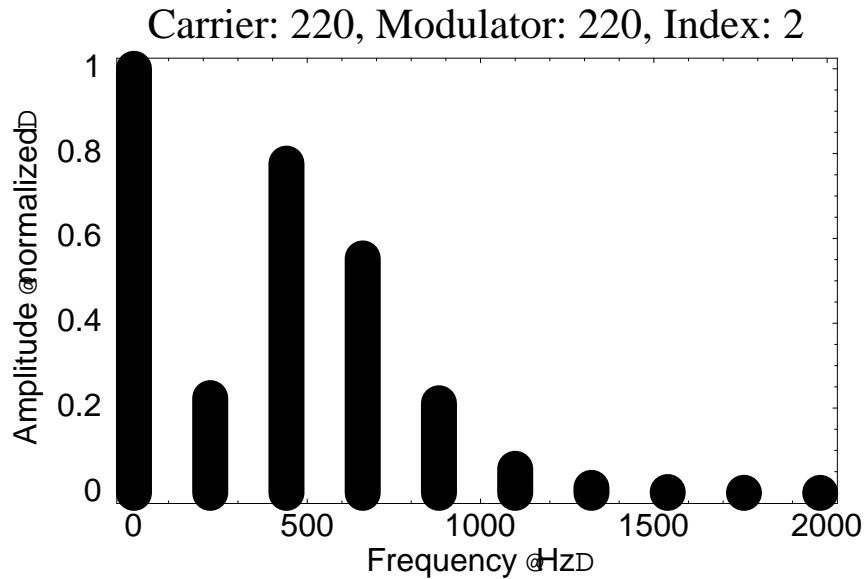


```
FMPlot@220, 220, 2, 0.00001D;
```



Changing the widths of the spectral lines in the plots:

```
FMPlot@220, 220, 2, 0.00001, 0.05D;
```

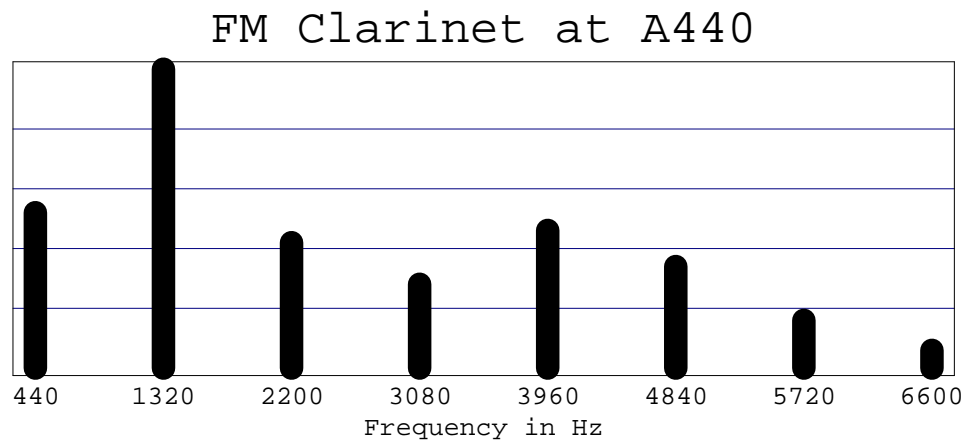


You can tailor the plot style to your liking by using the same options available with ListPlot:

```
Options@ListPlotD
```

```
AspectRatio &#x2190; GoldenRatio,
Axes &#x2190; Automatic, AxesLabel &#x2190; None, AxesOrigin &#x2190; Automatic,
AxesStyle &#x2190; Automatic, Background &#x2190; Automatic, ColorOutput &#x2190; Automatic,
DefaultColor &#x2190; Automatic, Epilog &#x2190; 8<, Frame &#x2190; False,
FrameLabel &#x2190; None, FrameStyle &#x2190; Automatic, FrameTicks &#x2190; Automatic,
GridLines &#x2190; None, ImageSize &#x2190; Automatic, PlotJoined &#x2190; False,
PlotLabel &#x2190; None, PlotRange &#x2190; Automatic, PlotRegion &#x2190; Automatic,
PlotStyle &#x2190; Automatic, Prolog &#x2190; 8<, RotateLabel &#x2190; True, Ticks &#x2190; Automatic,
DefaultFont ¶ $DefaultFont, DisplayFunction ¶ $DisplayFunction,
FormatType ¶ $FormatType, TextStyle ¶ $TextStyle=
```

```
FMPlot@440 3, 440 2, 4, 1, 0.025,  
  DefaultFont → 8"Courier", 10<,  
  FrameLabel → 8"Frequency in Hz",  
    "", FontForm@"FM Clarinet at A440", 8"Courier", 18<D, ""<,  
  FrameTicks → 8Table@440 i, 8i, 1, 17, 2<D, None, None, None<,  
  GridLines → 8None, Automatic<,  
  AspectRatio → 1 ê 3D;
```



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## Spectral Manipulation

### Creating FM Spectra

You can also manipulate FM spectra in the form of lists. The example below shows the spectral amplitude data used to create a previous plot. Spectra are stored in lists, with each element of a list being itself a list of two numbers – first, the frequency and second, the relative amplitude:

**TableForm@Reverse@FMSpectrum@220, 220, 2, 0.00001DDD**

1980	0.0000221796
1760	0.000174944
1540	0.00120243
1320	0.00703963
1100	0.0339957
880	0.128943
660	0.352834
440	0.576725
220	0.223891
0	0.576725
-220	0.352834
-440	0.128943
-660	0.0339957
-880	0.00703963
-1100	0.00120243
-1320	0.000174944
-1540	0.0000221796

Notice that there are negative frequencies. These frequencies are the mathematical representations of positive frequencies with a phase difference of  $180^\circ$ , or  $\pi$  radians from the phase of the positive frequencies.

**TableForm@Reverse@PositiveFMSpectrum@220, 220, 2, 0.00001DDD**

1980	0.0000221796
1760	0.000174944
1540	0.00118025
1320	0.00686469
1100	0.0327933
880	0.121904
660	0.318838
440	0.447782
220	-0.128943
0	0.576725

Now all of the frequencies listed in the first column are positive. Note, however, that 220 Hz has a negative amplitude which means that it is  $180^\circ$  out of phase relative to the rest of the harmonics. This phase difference is not audible (in almost all cases) to human ears, so we can look at just the absolute value of the amplitudes:

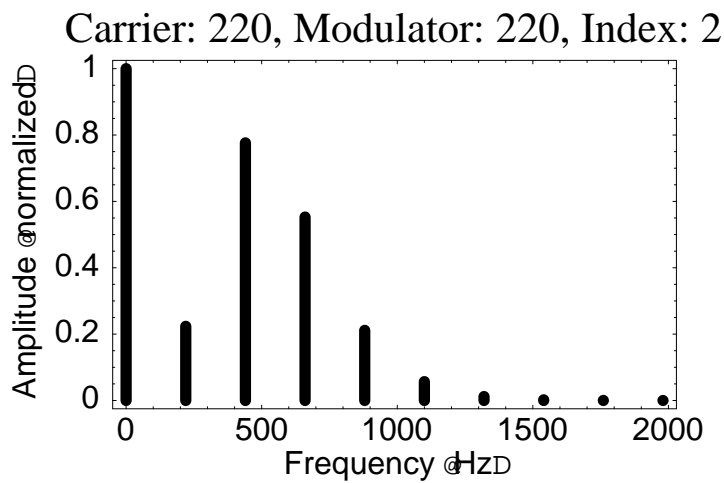


```
TableForm@Reverse@AbsPositiveFMSpectrum@220, 220, 2, 0.00001DDD
```

1980	0.0000221796
1760	0.000174944
1540	0.00118025
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880	0.121904
660	0.318838
440	0.447782
220	0.128943
0	0.576725

This is the data which is plotted in the plot below; however, notice that the maximum amplitude in this data is 0.576725, and in the plot, the maximum is 1. Since the absolute amplitudes of the spectrum are not important and the relative amplitudes are, the loudest frequency is set to an amplitude of 1 in the plots. This can be done to spectral lists with the function `NormalizeSpectrum`.

```
FMPlot@220, 220, 2, 0.00001D;
```



```
TableForm@  
Reverse@NormalizeSpectrum@AbsPositiveFMSpectrum@220, 220, 2, 0.00001DDDD
```

```
1980      0.0000384578  
1760      0.000303341  
1540      0.00204647  
1320      0.0119029  
1100      0.0568612  
880       0.211372  
660       0.552843  
440       0.776422  
220       0.223578  
0         1.
```

Or if you prefer to see the relative amplitudes in terms of percentages of the maximum amplitude:

```
spectrum = AbsPositiveFMSpectrum@220, 220, 2, 0.00001D;  
TableForm@Reverse@NormalizeSpectrum@spectrum, 100DDD
```

```
1980      0.00384578  
1760      0.0303341  
1540      0.204647  
1320      1.19029  
1100      5.68612  
880       21.1372  
660       55.2843  
440       77.6422  
220       22.3578  
0         100.
```

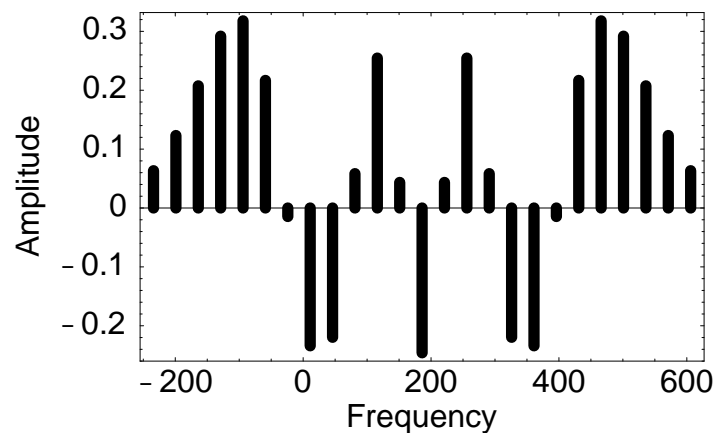
```
spectrum = AbsPositiveFMSpectrum@220, 220, 2, 0.00001D;
8frequencies, amplitudes< =
  Transpose@Reverse@NormalizeSpectrum@spectrum, 100DDD;
amplitudes = Round@amplitudesD;
spectrum = Transpose@8frequencies, amplitudes<D;
TableForm@spectrum, TableAlignments → 8Center, Center<,
  TableHeadings → 8None, 8"Frequency HHzL", "Strength H% of MaxL"<<,
  TableSpacing → 80.5, 4<D
```

Frequency HHzL	Strength H% of MaxL
1980	0
1760	0
1540	0
1320	1
1100	6
880	21
660	55
440	78
220	22
0	100

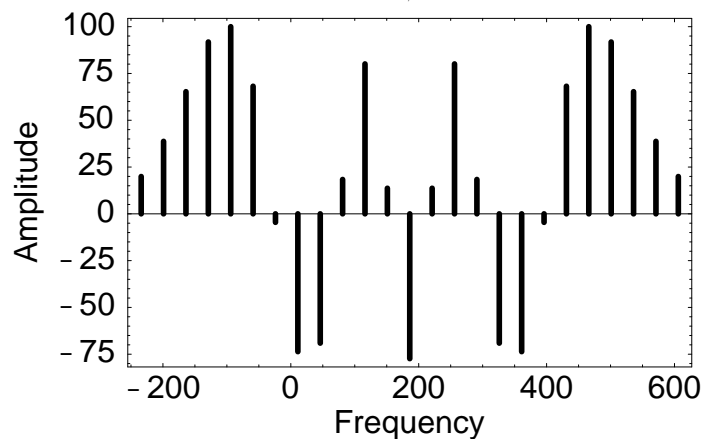
## Generalized Spectral Plotting

The function `SpectralPlot` is similar to `FMPlot`, but you can manipulate the spectrum before you plot it:

```
spectrum = FMSpectrum@186, 35, 10D;
SpectralPlot@spectrumD;
```

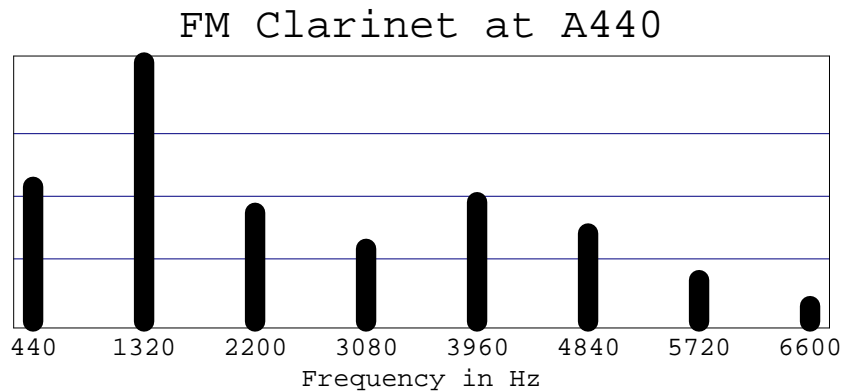


```
SpectralPlot@NormalizeSpectrum@spectrum, 100D, 0.01D;
```



Options can also be used as in FMPlot:

```
x = AbsPositiveFMSpectrum@440 3, 440 2, 4, 1D;
SpectralPlotA
x, 0.025, DefaultFont → 8"Courier", 10<, FrameLabel → 8"Frequency in Hz",
  "", FontForm@"FM Clarinet at A440", 8"Courier-Bold", 16<D, ""<,
FrameTicks → 8SpectralFreq@xD, None, None, None<,
GridLines → 8None, Automatic<, AspectRatio →  $\frac{1}{3}$ E;
```



## Combining Spectra

CombineSpectra allows you to mix any number of spectra together:

```
x = PositiveFMSpectrum@100, 100, 1D
```

```
880, 0.440051<, 8100, 0.650294<, 8200, 0.420487<, 8300, 0.114903<,  
8400, 0.0195634<<
```

```
y = PositiveFMSpectrum@600, 100, 1D
```

```
88300, 0.0195634<, 8400, 0.114903<, 8500, 0.440051<, 8600, 0.765198<,  
8700, 0.440051<, 8800, 0.114903<, 8900, 0.0195634<<
```

```
z = PositiveFMSpectrum@900, 50, 3D
```

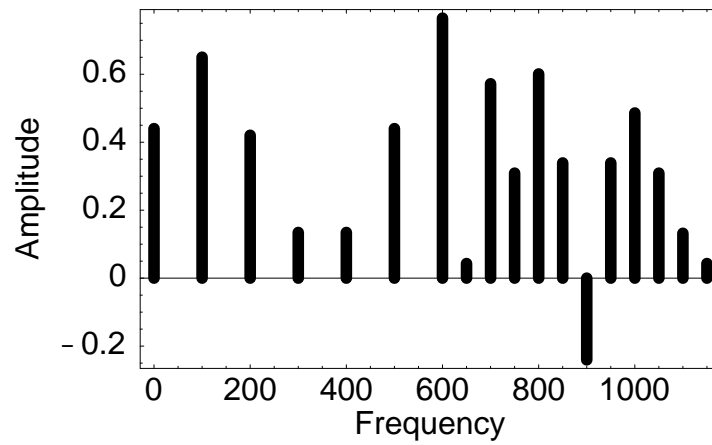
```
88650, 0.0430284<, 8700, 0.132034<, 8750, 0.309063<, 8800, 0.486091<,  
8850, 0.339059<, 8900, -0.260052<, 8950, 0.339059<, 81000, 0.486091<,  
81050, 0.309063<, 81100, 0.132034<, 81150, 0.0430284<<
```

```
CombineSpectra@x, yD
```

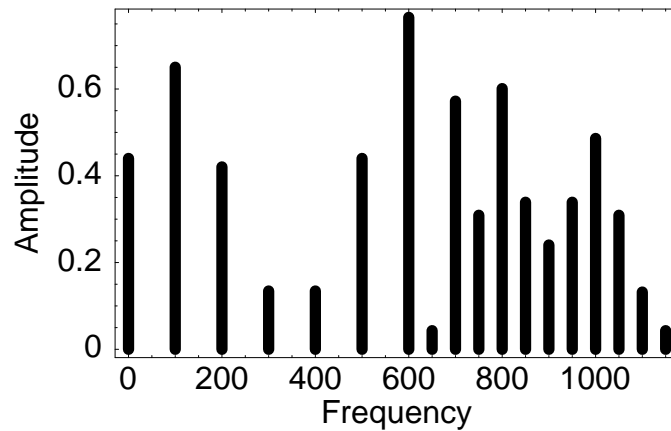
```
880, 0.440051<, 8100, 0.650294<, 8200, 0.420487<, 8300, 0.134467<,  
8400, 0.134467<, 8500, 0.440051<, 8600, 0.765198<, 8700, 0.440051<,  
8800, 0.114903<, 8900, 0.0195634<<
```

Once you have created a combined spectral list which contains phase information, you can remove the phase by using `RemovePhase`:

```
SpectralPlot@CombineSpectra@x, y, zDD;
```



```
SpectralPlot@RemovePhase@CombineSpectra@x, y, zDDD;
```



Note that if you remove the phase information from the spectra before you combine the spectra, you will not be able to accurately combine the spectra.

Also, you can combine duplicate frequency listings in a single spectral list:

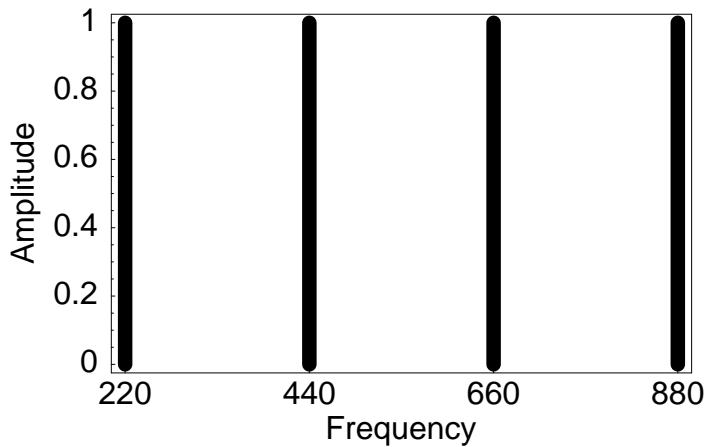
```
CombineSpectra@881, 1<, 83, 3<, 81, -2<<D
```

```
881, -1<, 83, 3<<
```

## Additive Synthesis Uses

You can create your own spectra and plot it with FMPlot. A spectral list is a list of lists, where the inner lists contain two numbers. The first of these numbers is the frequency, and the second of these numbers is the amplitude of that frequency.

```
spectrum = 88220, 1<, 8440, 1<, 8660, 1<, 8880, 1<<;
SpectralPlot@spectrum, 0.025,
FrameTicks → 8SpectralFreq@spectrumD, Automatic, None, None<D;
```



You are able to test your spectrum to see if it is a well-formed spectral list by using `SpectralListQ`:

```
SpectralListQ@spectrumD
```

```
True
```

```
SpectralListQ@80, 1<D
```

```
False
```

```
SpectralListQ@17D
```

```
False
```

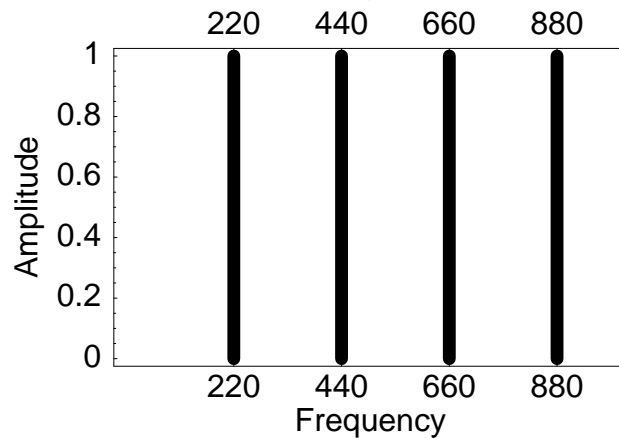
### !!! Special Feature of SpectrumPlot !!!

Control of the plotting domain is possible by creating a zero amplitude frequency on the outer ends of the spectral list:

```
newSpectrum = Join@880, 0<<, spectrum, 881000, 0<<D
```

```
880, 0<, 8220, 1<, 8440, 1<, 8660, 1<, 8880, 1<, 81000, 0<<
```

```
SpectralPlot@newSpectrum, 0.025,  
FrameTicks → 8SpectralFreq@spectrumD, Automatic<D;
```

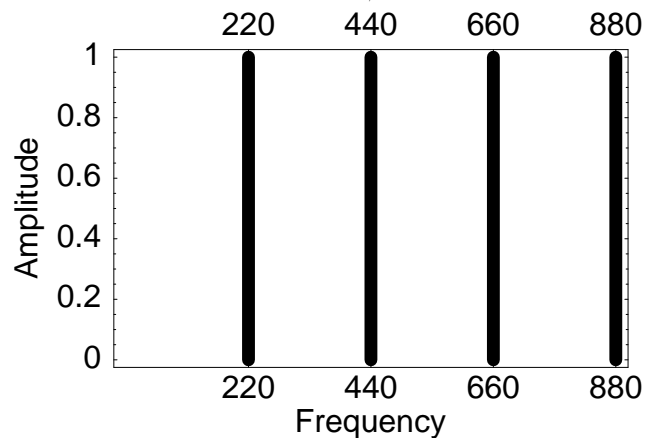


There can be a zero frequency on just one side of the spectral list as well:

```
notherSpectrum = Drop@newSpectrum, -1D
```

```
880, 0<, 8220, 1<, 8440, 1<, 8660, 1<, 8880, 1<<
```

```
SpectralPlot@notherSpectrum, 0.025,  
FrameTicks → 8Transpose@spectrumDP1T, Automatic<D;
```



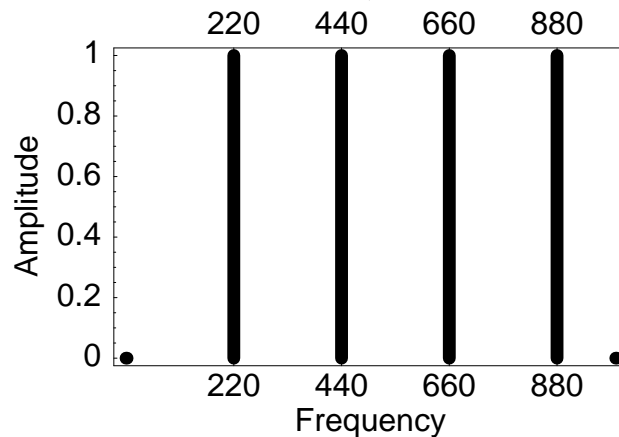


Disable this feature by making sure amplitudes are real, *i.e.*, they have a decimal point after them: 0. or 0.0 .

```
newSpectrum = Join@880, 0.<<, spectrum, 881000, 0.<<D
```

```
880, 0.<, 8220, 1<, 8440, 1<, 8660, 1<, 8880, 1<, 81000, 0.<<
```

```
SpectralPlot@newSpectrum, 0.025,  
FrameTicks → 8Transpose@spectrumDP1T, Automatic<D;
```

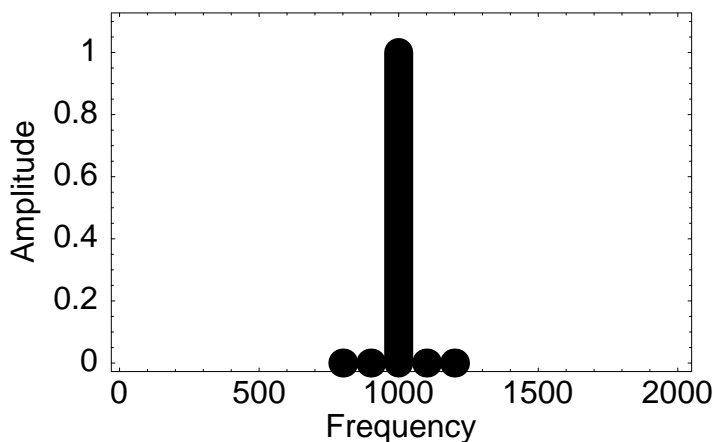


Animations of a dynamic index of modulation are possible using this plot-range feature. Double click on the picture cell below to start the animation of an increasing index of modulation. Once you start the animation, buttons appear at the bottom of the window that allow you to control the speed of the animation and how to loop the animation. Try circular looping. This animation starts at an index of 0 and ends at an index of 6.

```
x = TableAJoinA8820, 0<<, AbsPositiveFMSpectrumA
```

```
1000, 100, NA3  $\left\{ 1 + \sin A \frac{2 \pi i}{36} - \frac{\pi}{2} E \right\}$  EE, 882000, 0<, 82000, 1.1<<E,  
8i, 0, 17<E;
```

```
HSpectralPlot@#1, 0.05D&L ê@ x
```



## Description of Functions in the FMPlot Package

A *spectral list* is a list of this form: `{{frequency1,amplitude1},...,{frequencyN,AmplitudeN}}`

### AbsPositiveFMSpectrum

`? AbsPositiveFMSpectrum`

`AbsPositiveSpectrum@carrierFrequency, modulatorFrequency, index, minimumAmplitude:0.045D` returns the positive frequencies created by the particular FM combination with an absolute value for the amplitudes.

`AbsPositiveFMSpectrum` creates a spectral list of positive frequencies for the specifies carrier/modulator combination with no phase information in the amplitudes; so, both the frequencies and amplitudes in the spectral list are positive. Any negative frequencies are first folded over onto the positive frequencies, then the phase of the negative frequency is reversed and added to the amplitude of any existing positive frequency component that

### CombineSpectra

`? CombineSpectra`

`CombineSpectra@Spectrum1, Spectrum2, Spectrum3, ...D` adds the given spectra into one spectral list which is returned.

`CombineSpectra` combines different spectra into a single spectral list where there all frequencies are unique. Any number of spectral lists can be passed as an argument to `CombineSpectra`. Also, if there are two frequencies in a single spectral list, `CombineSpectra` will add those two spectral elements together. Note that if you remove the phase information from the spectra before you combine the spectra, you will not be able to accurately combine the spectra.

## Deviation

### ? Deviation

```
Deviation@modulatorFrequency, indexD returns the deviation given
the modulatorFrequency and index.
```

The deviation ( $\Delta f$ ) is the maximum frequency deviation in Hertz from the carrier frequency (the average frequency). The deviation is related to the amplitude of the modulator frequency – the larger the amplitude of the modulator, the greater the deviation will be.

## FMPlot

### ? FMPlot

```
FMPlot@carrierFrequency, modulatorFrequency, index, minimumAmplitude:
0.045, width:0.02, plotOptionsD plots a frequency spectra of the
given carrier ^ modulator ^ index; where width controls the
size of the spectral lines, and lowering the minimumAmplitude
may extend the range of the plot to include less important sidebands.
```

`FMPlot` plots the FM spectrum of a given carrier / modulator pair as we hear it. This function plots the spectral lines and gives a title that lists the three variables of carrier frequency, modulator frequency and index. All frequencies are positive for this plot since the negative frequencies are folded over and added or subtracted from the positive spectrum as necessary.

## FMSpectrum

### ? FMSpectrum

```
FMSpectrum@carrierFrequency, modulatorFrequency, index,
minimumAmplitude:0.045D returns the partials created by the
particular FM combination.
```

`FMSpectrum` returns a spectral list of all the sidebands created along with the carrier frequency, as well as their relative amplitudes. Frequencies and amplitudes can be either positive or negative.

## Index

### ? Index

`Index@modulatorFrequency, deviationD` returns the index given the modulatorFrequency and deviation.

The index in FM synthesis is the ratio of the deviation to the modulator frequency ( $\Delta f / f_m$ ). The index must always be greater or equal to zero.

## NormalizeSpectrum

### ? NormalizeSpectrum

`NormalizeSpectrum@list, max:1D` normalizes the second number in a list of number pairs to the value of max which is defaulted to 1.0

## PlotAbsPositiveFMSpectrum

### ? PlotAbsPositiveFMSpectrum

`PlotAbsPositiveFMSpectrum@carrierFrequency, modulatorFrequency, index, minimumAmplitude:0.045, width:0.02, plotOptionsD` plots a frequency spectra of the given carrier  $\hat{=}$  modulator  $\hat{=}$  index; where width controls the size of the spectral lines, and lowering the minimumAmplitude may extend the range of the plot to include less important sidebands.

`PlotAbsPositiveFMSpectrum` is identical to `FMPlot`, which plots the FM spectrum of a given carrier / modulator pair as we hear it. This function plots the spectral lines and gives a title that lists the three variables of carrier frequency, modulator frequency and index. All frequencies are positive for this plot since the negative frequencies are folded over and added or subtracted from the positive spectrum as necessary.

## PositiveFMSpectrum

### ? PositiveFMSpectrum

PositiveFMSpectrum@carrierFrequency, modulatorFrequency, index, minimumAmplitude:0.045D returns the positive frequencies created by the particular FM combination.

PositiveFMSpectrum is similar to FMSpectrum, but any negative frequencies are converted into positive frequencies and combined with any positive spectral frequencies in the spectral list.

## RemovePhase

### ? RemovePhase

RemovePhase@spectralListD removes phase information from the spectralList.

RemovePhase converts a spectral list into another spectral list that contains only real frequencies and amplitudes that are greater or equal to 0. Negative frequencies are assumed to be 180° out of phase from positive frequencies.

## SpectralAmp

### ? SpectralAmp

SpectralAmp@spectralListD returns a list of only the amplitudes in the spectral list.

SpectralAmp returns a list of the amplitudes in a spectral list. Useful if you want to find the maximum or minimum amplitude in a spectral list.

## SpectralFreq

### ? SpectralFreq

SpectralFreq@spectralListD returns a list of only the frequencies in the spectral list.

SpectralFreq returns a list of the frequencies in a spectral list. Useful if you want to label the individual spectral frequencies in a plot.

## SpectralLines

### ? SpectralLines

`SpectralLines@spectralList, width:0.02D` gives the graphs for a set of spectral lines of width thickness.

`SpectralLines` returns a Graphics list of the spectral lines and can be mixed with other graphics or plots if desired.

## SpectralListQ

### ? SpectralListQ

`SpectralListQ@spectralListD` tests whether the argument is a well-formed spectral list.

`SpectralListQ` returns true if the given object is a list that contains at least one element and each of the elements in the list is a list of two elements. It is assumed that if you can make that much of the spectral list correctly that you will be nice and put only numbers inside the inner lists, since `SpectralListQ` does not check the actual contents of the inner lists.

## SpectralPlot

### ? SpectralPlot

`SpectralPlot@spectralList, lineWidth_:0.02D` plots a frequency spectra of the given list of spectral lines of the form  
`88frequency ,amplitude<,...<.`

`SpectralPlot` plots a spectral list using spectral lines. All frequencies and amplitudes are allowable. Most options valid for `Plot` can also be used. You can also control the plotting domain by creating a zero amplitude frequency on the outer ends of the spectral list: There can also be a zero frequency on just one side of the spectral list: You can disable this feature by making sure amplitudes are real, *i.e., they have a decimal point after them: 0. or 0.0* .