EN1060 Signals and Systems: Signals

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Section 1

Signals

Outline

Continuous-Time Sinusoidal Signal

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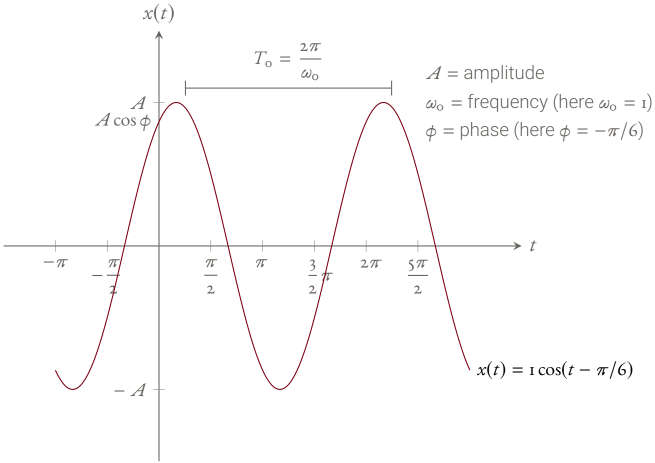

Figure: Continuous-time sinusoidal signal.

Periodicity of a Sinusoidal

Sinusoidal signal is periodic.
A periodic continuous-time signal $x(t)$ has the property that there is a positive value T for which

$$x(t) = x(t+T) \tag{2}$$

for all values of t. Under an appropriate time-shift the signal repeats itself. In this case we say that $x(t)$ is periodic with period T.
Fundamental period T_o = smallest positive value of T for which 2 holds.
A signal that is not periodic is referred to as aperiodic.
E.g.: Consider $A\cos(\omega_o t + \phi)$

$$\begin{aligned} A\cos(\omega_o t + \phi) &= A\cos(\omega_o (t+T) + \phi) \quad \text{here } \omega_o T = 2\pi m \quad \text{an integer multiple of } 2\pi \\ &= A\cos(\omega_o t + \phi) \end{aligned}$$

$T = \dfrac{2\pi m}{\omega_o} \Rightarrow$ fundamental period $T_o = \dfrac{2\pi}{\omega_o}$.

Phase of a Sinusoidal

A time-shift in a CT sinusoid is equivalent to a phase shift.
E.g.: Show that a time-shift of a sinusoid is equal to a phase shift.

$$A\cos[\omega_o(t+t_o)] = A\cos(\omega_o t + \omega_o t_o) = A\cos(\omega_o t + \Delta\phi), \quad \Delta\phi \text{ is a change in phase.}$$

$$A\cos[\omega_o(t+t_o)+\phi] = A\cos(\omega_o t + \omega_o t_o + \phi) = A\cos(\omega_o(t+t_1)), \quad t_1 = t_o + \phi/\omega_o.$$

Even and Odd Signals

A signal $x(t)$ or $x[n]$ is referred to as an even signal if it is identical to its time-reversed counterpart, i.e., with its reflection about the origin:

$$x(-t) = x(t)$$
$$x[-n] = x[n]$$

A is referred to as an odd if

$$x(-t) = -x(t)$$
$$x[-n] = -x[n]$$

An odd signal must be) at $t = 0$ or $n = 0$.
A signal can be broken into a sum of two signals, one of which is even and one for which is odd. Even part of $x(t)$ is

$$\mathfrak{Ev}\{x(t)\} = \frac{1}{2}[x(t) + x(-t)]$$

Odd part of $x(t)$ is

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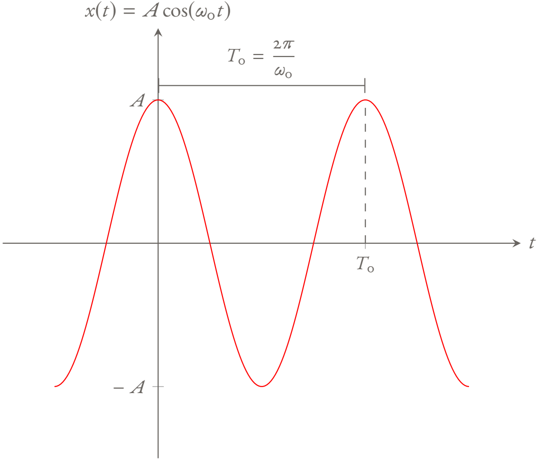

This signal is even. If we mirror an even signal about the time origin, it would look exactly the same.

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Even: $x(t) = x(-t)$.

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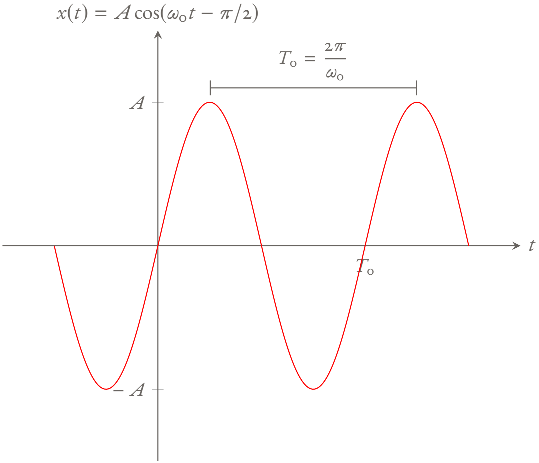

This signal is odd. If we flip an odd signal about the time origin, we also multiply it by a (–) sign to get the original signal.

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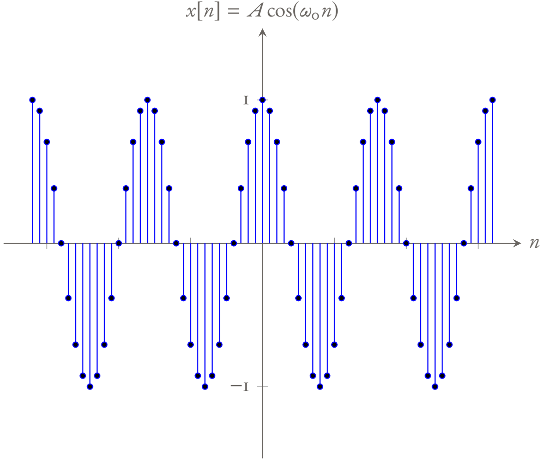

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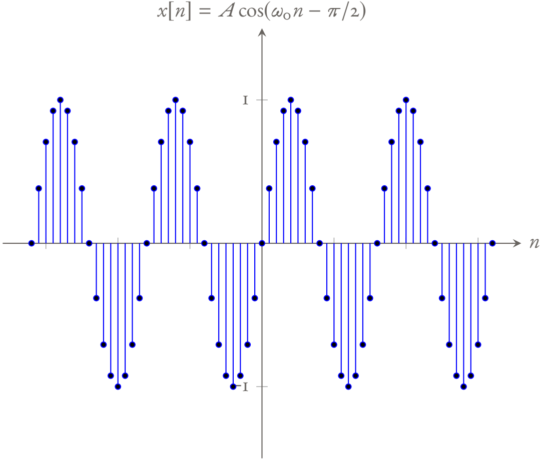

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$n_o = \frac{\phi}{\omega_o} = \frac{\pi/2}{\pi/8} = 4$.

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Answer: No.

$$A\cos[\omega_o n + \phi)] \stackrel{?}{=} A\cos[\omega_o(n + n_o)]$$

$$\omega_o n + \omega_o n_o = \omega_o n + \phi$$

$$\omega_o n_o = \phi, \quad n_o \text{ is an integer.}$$

- Depending on ϕ and ω_o, n_o many not come out to be an integer.
- In discrete time, the amount of time shift must be an integer.

Periodicity of a DT Signal

All continuous-time sinusoids are periodic. However, discrete-time sinusoids are not necessarily so.

$$x[n] = x[n + N], \quad \text{smallest integer } N \text{ is the fundamental period.} \tag{3}$$

$$A\cos[\omega_o(n + N) + \phi] = A\cos[\omega_o n + \omega_o N + \phi]$$

$\omega_o N$ must be an integer multiple of 2π.
Periodic $\Rightarrow \omega_o N = 2\pi m$

$$N = \frac{2\pi m}{\omega_o} \tag{4}$$

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Smallest N, if any, is the fundamental period.
N may not be an integer. In this case, the signal is not periodic.

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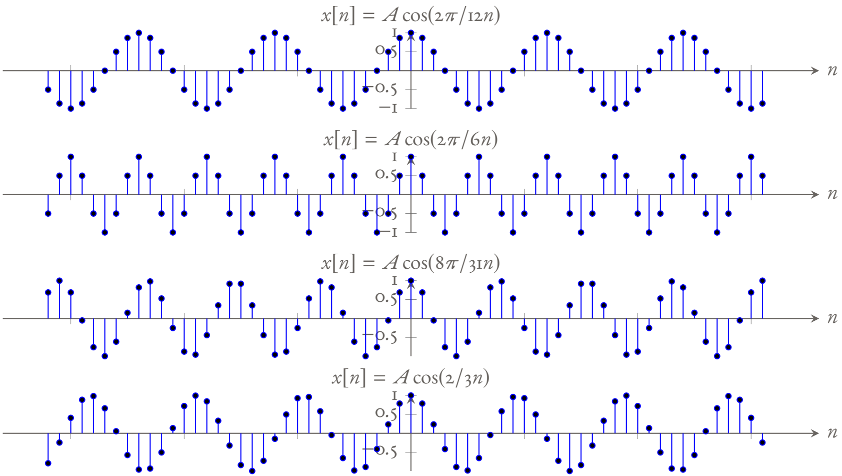

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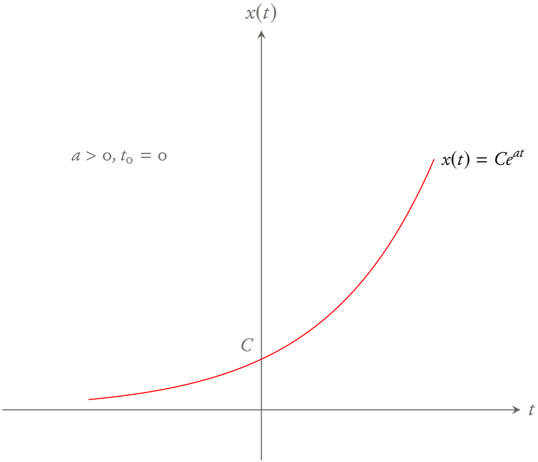

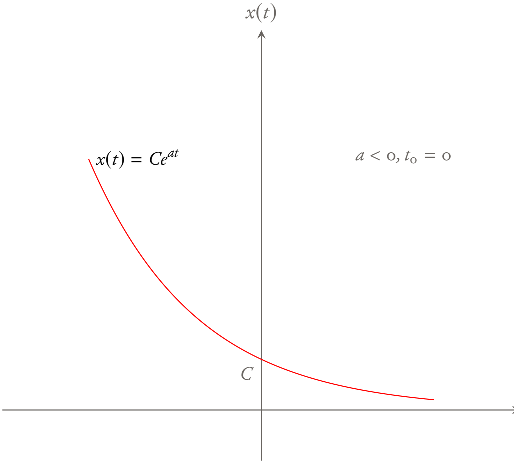

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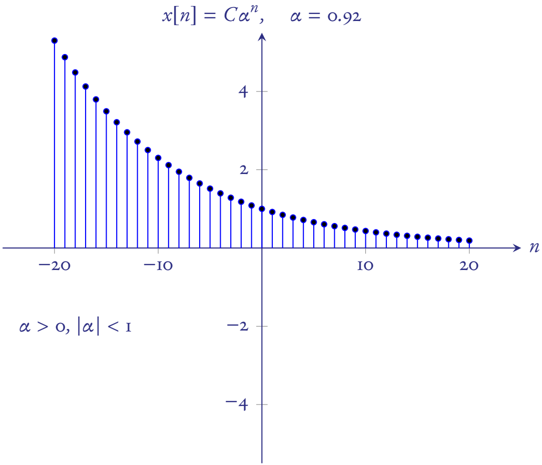
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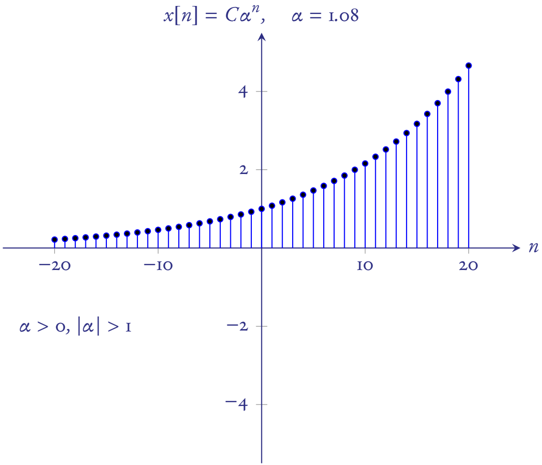
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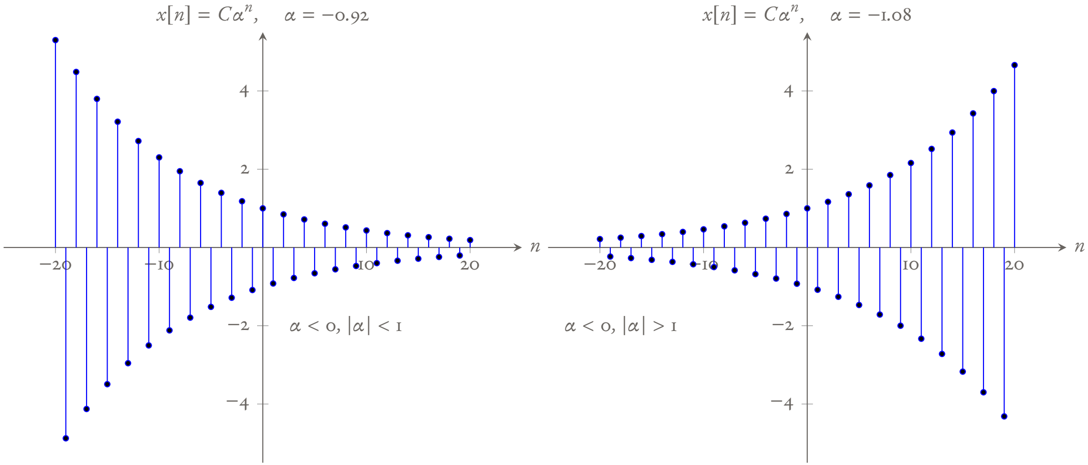

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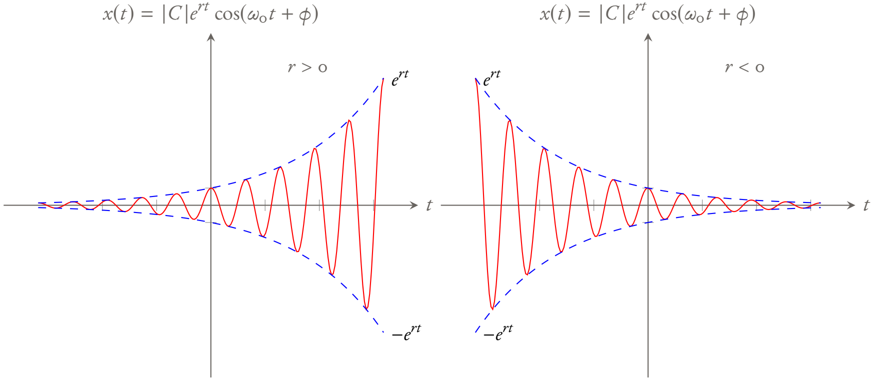
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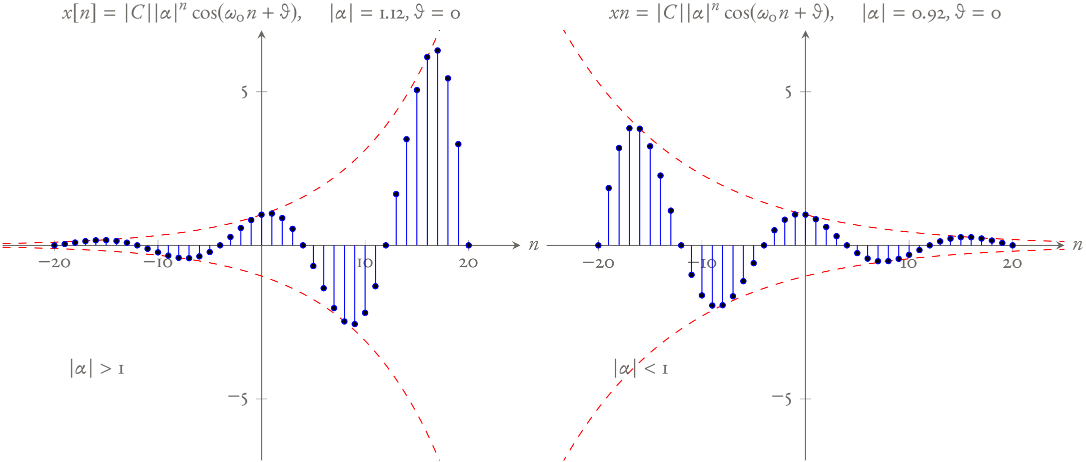
Comments:

- When $|\alpha| = 1$: sinusoidal real and imaginary parts.
- $e^{j\omega_o n}$ may or may not be periodic depending on the value of ω_o.
- Sinusoidal, exponential, step, and impulse signal form the cornerstones for signals and systems analysis.

DT Complex Exponentials Plot



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- In DT, as we increase ω_o from 0, we obtain signals that oscillate more and more rapidly until we reach $\omega_o = \pi$. As we continue to increase ω_o, we decrease the rate of oscillation until we reach $\omega_o = 2\pi$. Note: $e^{j\pi n} = \left(e^{j\pi}\right)^n = (-1)^n$.

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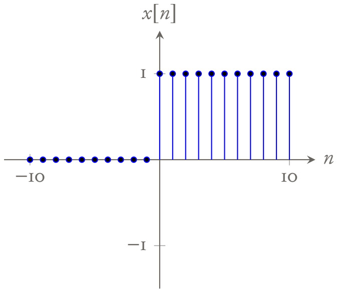
Signals

- Sinusoids
- Discrete-Time Sinusoidal Signal
- Exponentials
- CT Complex Exponentials
- Step and Impulse Functions
- Signal Energy and Power

Discrete-Time Unit Step $u[n]$

$$u[n] = \begin{cases} 1, & n \geq 0, \\ 0, & n < 0. \end{cases} \tag{5}$$



Discrete-Time Unit Impulse (Unit Sample) $\delta[n]$

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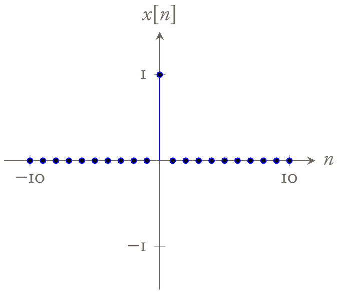

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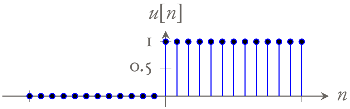

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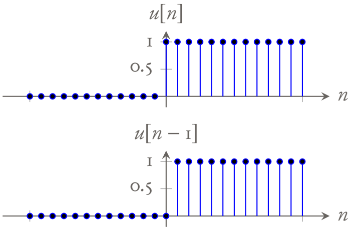

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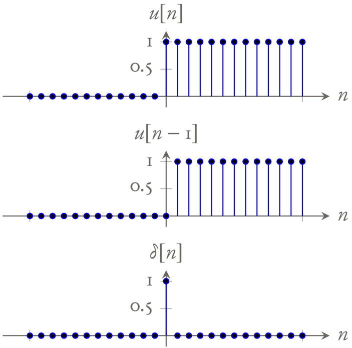

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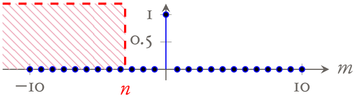

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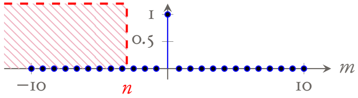

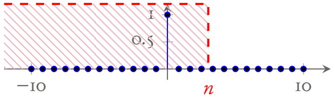

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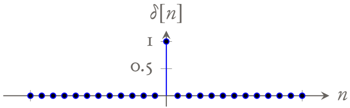

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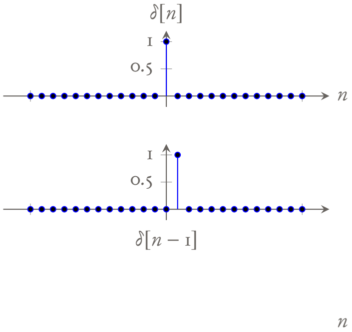

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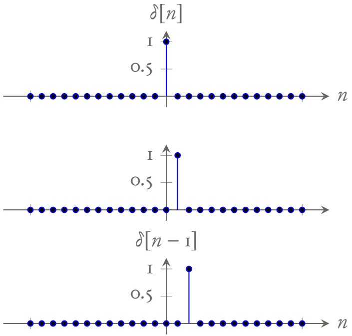

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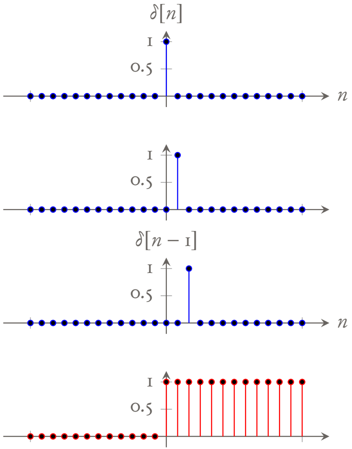
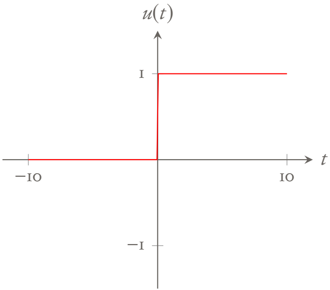


Continuous-Time Unit Step Function $u(t)$

$$u(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & t < 0, \\ 1, & t > 0. \end{cases} \tag{10}$$



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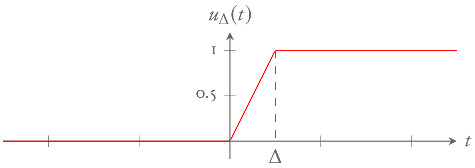

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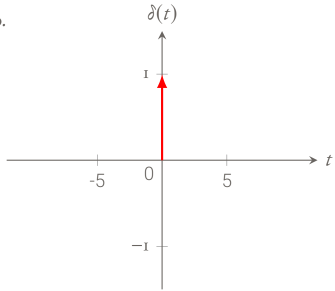

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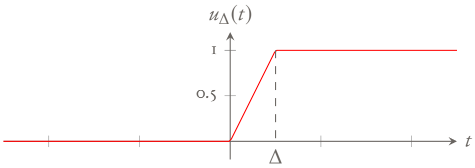

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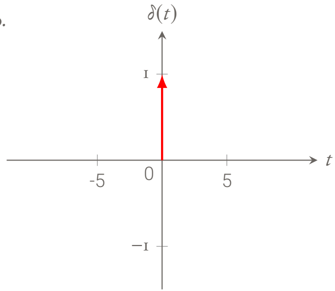

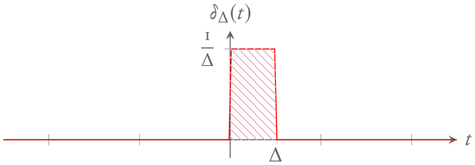

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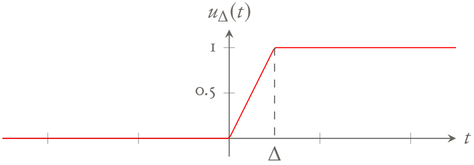

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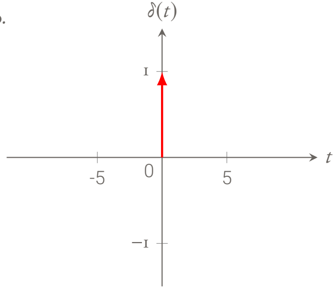

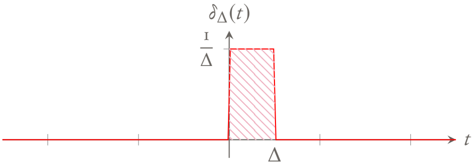

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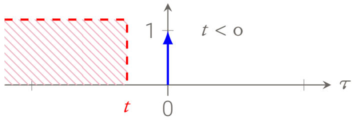

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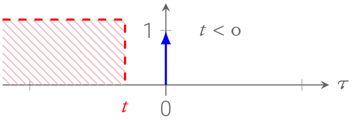

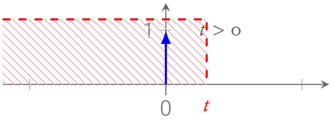

Outline

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The total energy over a time interval $t_1 \leq t \leq t_2$ in a continuous-time signal $x(t)$ is

$$\int_{t_1}^{t_2} |x(t)|^2 dt$$

The total energy over a time interval $n_1 \leq n \leq n_2$ in a discrete-time signal $x[n]$ is

$$\sum_{n=n_1}^{n_2} |x[n]|^2 dt$$

Total energy over an infinite interval in a CT signal:

$$E_\infty \triangleq \lim_{T\to\infty} \int_{-T}^{T} |x(t)|^2 dt = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |x(t)|^2 dt. \tag{13}$$

Energy II

Total energy over an infinite interval in a DT signal:

$$E_\infty \triangleq \lim_{N\to\infty} \sum_{n=-N}^{+N} |x[n]|^2 = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} |x[n]|^2. \tag{14}$$

Note that this integral and may not converge for some signals. Such signals have infinite energy, while signals with $E_\infty < \infty$ have finite energy.

Power

Time-averaged power over an infinite interval in a CT signal:

$$P_\infty \triangleq \lim_{T\to\infty} \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^{T} |x(t)|^2 dt. \tag{15}$$

Total energy in a DT signal:

$$P_\infty \triangleq \lim_{N\to\infty} \frac{1}{2N+1} \sum_{n=-N}^{+N} |x[n]|^2. \tag{16}$$

With these definitions, we can identify three important classes of signals:

1. Energy signals: Signals with finite total energy $E_\infty < \infty$. These have zero average power.
2. Power signals: Signals with finite average power $0 < P_\infty < \infty$. As $P_\infty > 0$, $E_\infty = \infty$.
3. Signals with neither E_∞ nor P_∞ are finite.