

Quals Question – 2008
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Consider $y(t)$ a sum of three (A, B and C) continuous sine (or CW) waves

$$y(t) = \\ a_1 \sin(2\pi f_1 t + p_1) \\ + a_2 \sin(2\pi f_2 t + p_2) \\ + a_3 \sin(2\pi f_3 t + p_3); \quad t = [0, 1] \text{ sec}$$

Let $f_1 = 2$, $f_2 = 4$ and $f_3 = 3.3$ Hz/ Sec

Questions:

1. Sketch $y(t)$ if $a_1 = a_2 = 1$ v and $a_3 = 0$. $p_1 = p_2 = p_3 = 0$ degrees
2. Sketch $y(t)$ if $a_1 = 1$ v, $a_2 = 0.5$ v and $a_3 = 0.5$ v. $p_1 = 0$, $p_2 = 90$ and $p_3 = 180$ degrees
3. If $a_1 = 1$ v and $a_2 = a_3 = 0$ v, how can you picture this signal in the frequency domain, can you devise a some kind of Fourier transform (say DFT ?) that will reveal the frequency information properly