Fundamentals of Electrical Engineering

The Frequency Domain

- Spectra of non-periodic signals
- Properties of the Fourier transform
- Linear filtering of signals



Deriving the Fourier Transform

Special notation: $s_T(t)$ periodic with period T

$$c_k(T) = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} s_T(t) e^{-j\frac{2\pi kt}{T}} dt$$

$$S_T(f) \equiv Tc_k(T) = \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} s_T(t)e^{-j2\pi ft} dt, \ f = \frac{k}{T}$$

$$\implies s_T(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} S_T(f) e^{j2\pi ft} \frac{1}{T}$$

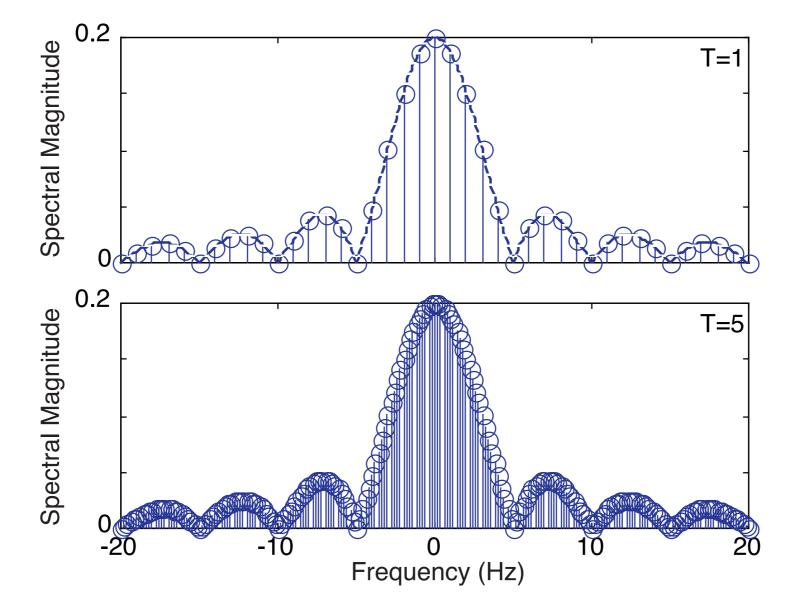
What happens if we extend the period: $T \rightarrow \infty$?



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Fourier Transform Pair

$$s(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S(f)e^{j2\pi ft} df \qquad S(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} s(t)e^{-j2\pi ft} dt$$

Example: Fourier transform of a pulse

$$P(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(t)e^{-j2\pi ft} dt$$

$$= \int_{0}^{\Delta} e^{-j2\pi ft} dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{j2\pi f} \left(1 - e^{-j2\pi f\Delta}\right)$$

$$= e^{-j\pi f\Delta} \frac{\sin(\pi f\Delta)}{\pi f}$$



Important Example

$$s(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S(f)e^{j2\pi ft} df \qquad S(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} s(t)e^{-j2\pi ft} dt$$
$$e^{-at} \mathbf{u}(t) \longleftrightarrow \frac{1}{a+j2\pi f}$$



Spectrum Properties

Parseval's Theorem:
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} s^2(t) dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |S(f)|^2 df$$

Symmetries:

$$s(t)$$
 real $\implies S(-f) = S^*(f)$ (conjugate symmetry)
 $s(t)$ even $\implies S(-f) = S(f)$ ($S(f)$ real)
 $s(t)$ odd $\implies S(-f) = -S(f)$ ($S(f)$ imaginary)



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$$e^{+j2\pi f_0 t}s(t) \longleftrightarrow S(f-f_0)$$



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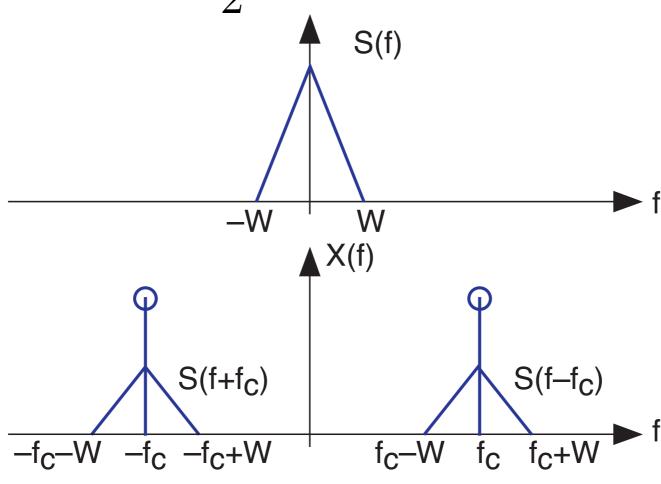
Interesting Example

What is the spectrum of $(1 + s(t)) \cos(2\pi f_c t)$?

$$(1+s(t))\cos(2\pi f_c t) = \cos(2\pi f_c t) + s(t)\cos(2\pi f_c t)$$

$$s(t)\cos(2\pi f_c t) = \frac{1}{2} \left[e^{+j2\pi f_c t} s(t) + e^{-j2\pi f_c t} s(t) \right]$$

$$\leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2} \left[S(f - f_c) + S(f + f_c) \right]$$





Linear Filters



$$Y(f) = H(f)X(f)$$

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$$H(f) = \frac{1}{1 + j2\pi RCf}$$

$$P_{\Delta}(f) = \frac{1}{j2\pi f} \left(1 - e^{-j2\pi f \Delta} \right)$$

$$Y(f) = \frac{1}{1 + j2\pi f RC} \cdot \frac{1}{j2\pi f} \left(1 - e^{-j2\pi f\Delta}\right)$$



Linear Filters

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$$y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} Y(f)e^{+j2\pi ft} df$$

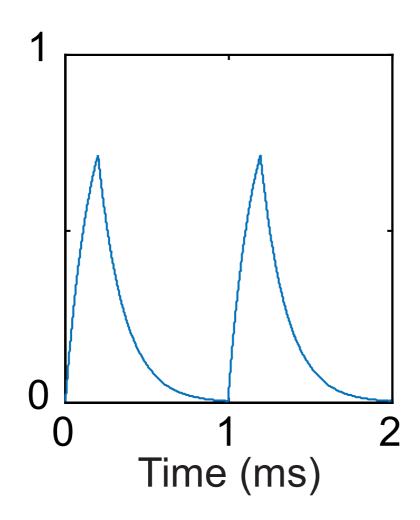
$$\frac{1}{j2\pi f} \cdot \frac{1}{1 + j2\pi f RC} \cdot \left(1 - e^{-j2\pi f\Delta}\right)$$
integrate
$$\uparrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow \qquad$$

$$\left(1 - e^{-t/RC}\right) \mathbf{u}(t) - \left(1 - e^{-(t-\Delta)/RC}\right) \mathbf{u}(t - \Delta)$$



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Signals in the Frequency Domain

• Spectra of periodic signals: Fourier series

$$s(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{j\frac{2\pi kt}{T}} \qquad c_k = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T s(t)e^{-j\frac{2\pi kt}{T}} dt$$

• Spectra on non-periodic signals: Fourier transform

$$s(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S(f)e^{j2\pi ft} df \qquad S(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} s(t)e^{-j2\pi ft} dt$$

• Linear filters in the frequency domain

$$\frac{x(t)}{\text{Filter}} \xrightarrow{y(t)} y(t)$$

$$y(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} H\left(\frac{k}{T}\right) c_k e^{j\frac{2\pi kt}{T}} \quad Y(f) = H(f)X(f)$$