

EE 2000 SIGNALS AND SYSTEMS

Ch. 4 Fourier Series

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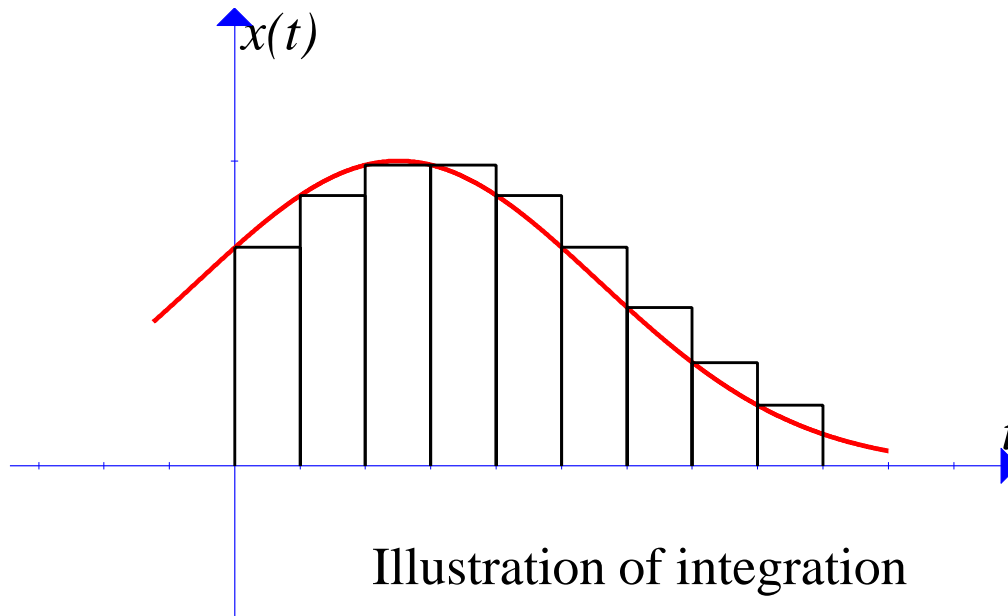
- **Introduction**
- **Fourier series**
- **Properties of Fourier series**
- **Systems with periodic inputs**

INTRODUCTION: MOTIVATION

- **Motivation of Fourier series**

- Convolution is derived by decomposing the signal into the sum of a series of delta functions
 - Each delta function has its unique delay in time domain.
 - Time domain decomposition

$$x(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x(\tau) \delta(t - \tau) d\tau = \lim_{\Delta \rightarrow 0} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} x(n\Delta) \delta(t - n\Delta) \Delta$$



INTRODUCTION: MOTIVATION

- Can we decompose the signal into the sum of other functions
 - Such that the calculation can be simplified?
 - Yes. We can decompose periodic signal as the sum of a sequence of **complex exponential signals** → Fourier series.

$$e^{j\Omega_0 t} = e^{j2\pi f_0 t}$$

$$f_0 = \frac{\Omega_0}{2\pi}$$

- **Why complex exponential signal?** (what makes complex exponential signal so special?)
 - 1. Each complex exponential signal has a unique frequency → frequency decomposition
 - 2. Complex exponential signals are periodic

INTRODUCTION: REVIEW

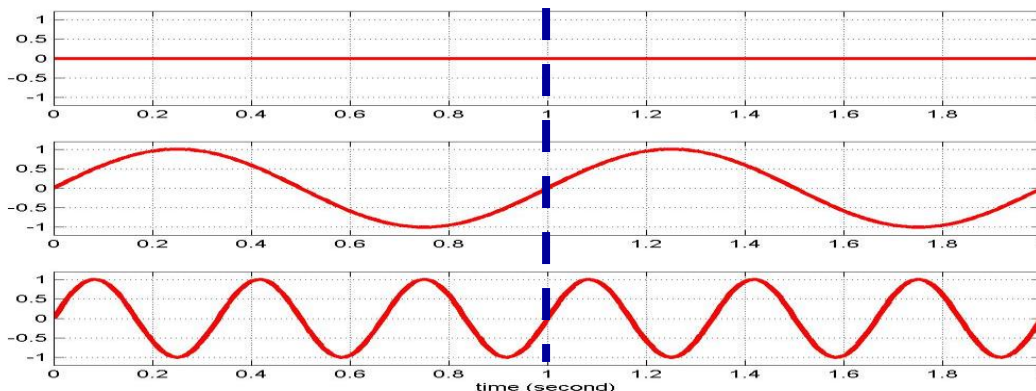
- Complex exponential signal

$$e^{j2\pi ft} = \cos(2\pi ft) + j \sin(2\pi ft)$$

- Complex exponential function has a one-to-one relationship with sinusoidal functions.
- Each sinusoidal function has a unique frequency: f

- What is frequency?

- Frequency is a measure of how fast the signal can change within a unit time.
 - Higher frequency \rightarrow signal changes faster



$f = 0$ Hz

$f = 1$ Hz

$f = 3$ Hz

Sinusoidal at different frequencies

INTRODUCTION: ORTHONORMAL SIGNAL SET

- **Definition: orthogonal signal set**

- A set of signals, $\{\phi_0(t), \phi_1(t), \phi_2(t), \dots\}$, are said to be orthogonal over an interval (a, b) if

$$\int_a^b \phi_l(t) \phi_k^*(t) dt = \begin{cases} C, & l = k \\ 0, & l \neq k \end{cases}$$

- **Example:**

- the signal set: $\phi_k(t) = e^{jk\Omega_0 t}$ $k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$ are orthogonal over the interval $[0, T_0]$, where $\Omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T_0}$

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FOURIER SERIES

- **Definition:**

- For any **periodic signal** with **fundamental period** T_0 , it can be decomposed as the sum of a set of complex exponential signals as

$$x(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} c_n e^{jn\Omega_0 t}$$

$$\Omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T_0}$$

- $c_n, n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$, **Fourier series coefficients**

$$c_n = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_{\langle T_0 \rangle} x(t) e^{-jn\Omega_0 t} dt$$

- derivation of c_n :

FOURIER SERIES

- Fourier series

$$x(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} c_n e^{jn\Omega_0 t}$$

- The periodic signal is decomposed into the **weighted summation** of a set of **orthogonal complex exponential functions**.
- The frequency of the n-th complex exponential function: $n\Omega_0$
 - The periods of the n-th complex exponential function: $T_n = \frac{T_0}{n}$
- The values of coefficients, $c_n, n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$, depend on $x(t)$
 - Different $x(t)$ will result in different c_n
 - There is a one-to-one relationship between $x(t)$ and c_n

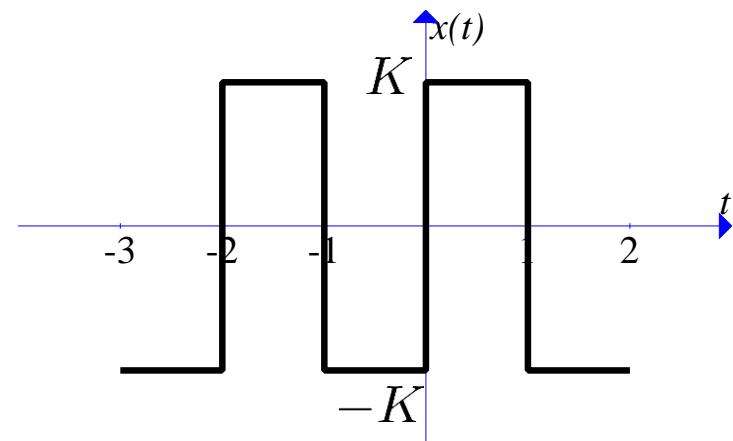
$$s(t) \longleftrightarrow [\dots, c_{-2}, c_{-1}, c_0, c_1, c_2, \dots]$$

For a periodic signal, it can be either represented as $s(t)$, or represented as c_n

FOURIER SERIES

- **Example**

$$x(t) = \begin{cases} -K, & -1 < t < 0 \\ K, & 0 < t < 1 \end{cases}$$



Rectangle pulses

FOURIER SERIES

- **Amplitude and phase**

- The Fourier series coefficients are usually complex numbers

$$c_n = a_n + jb_n = |c_n|e^{j\theta_n}$$

- Amplitude line spectrum: amplitude as a function of $n\Omega_0$

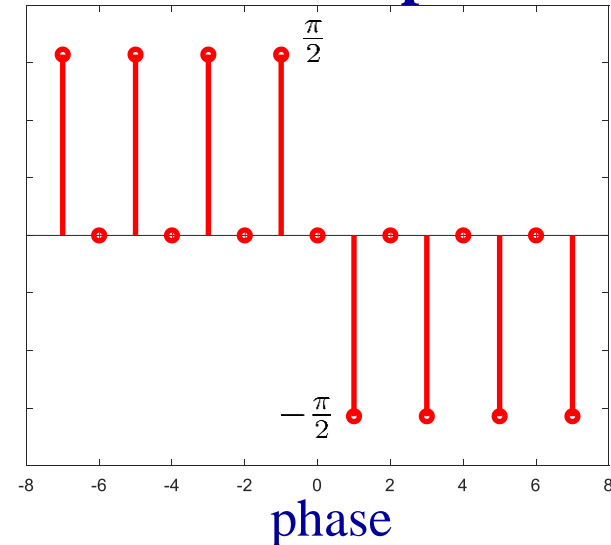
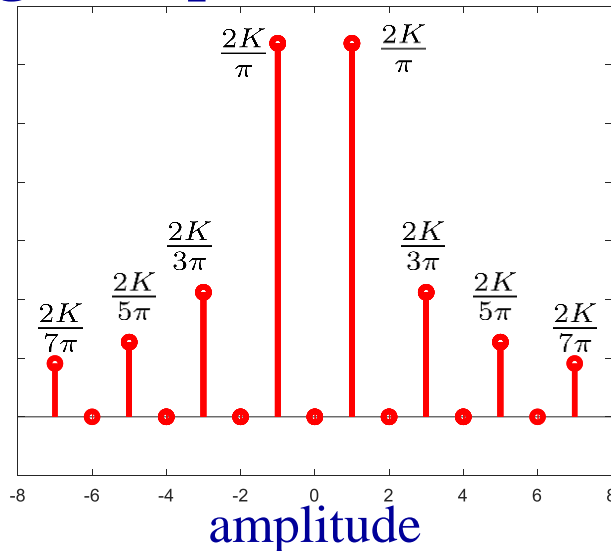
$$|c_n| = \sqrt{a_n^2 + b_n^2}$$

- Phase line spectrum: phase as a function of $n\Omega_0$

$$\theta_n = \tan^{-1} \frac{b_n}{a_n}$$

FOURIER SERIES: FREQUENCY DOMAIN

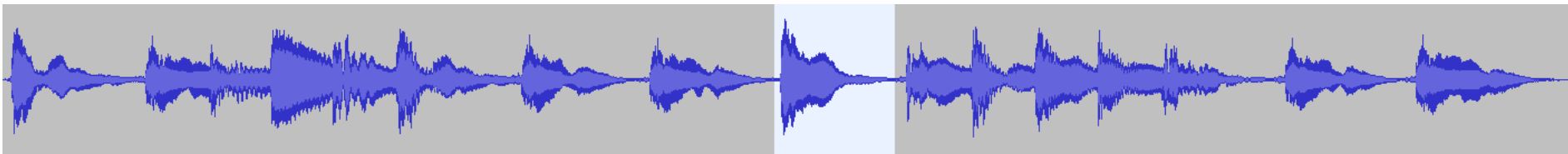
- Signal represented in frequency domain: line spectrum



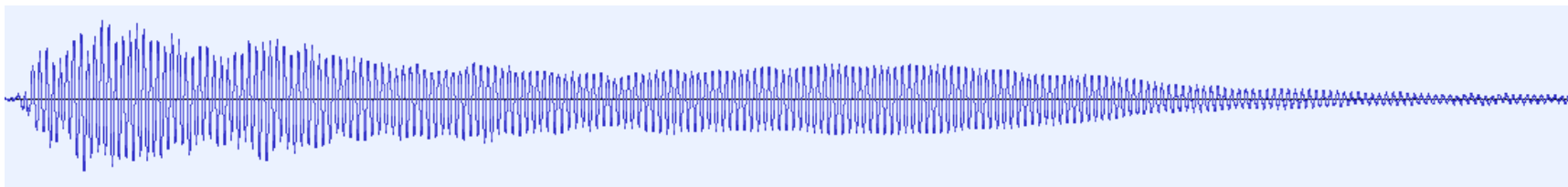
- Each c_n has its own frequency $n\Omega_0$
- The signal is decomposed in **frequency domain**.
- c_n is called the **harmonic** of signal $s(t)$ at frequency $n\Omega_0$
- Each signal has many frequency components.
 - The power of the harmonics at different frequencies determines how fast the signal can change.

FOURIER SERIES: FREQUENCY DOMAIN

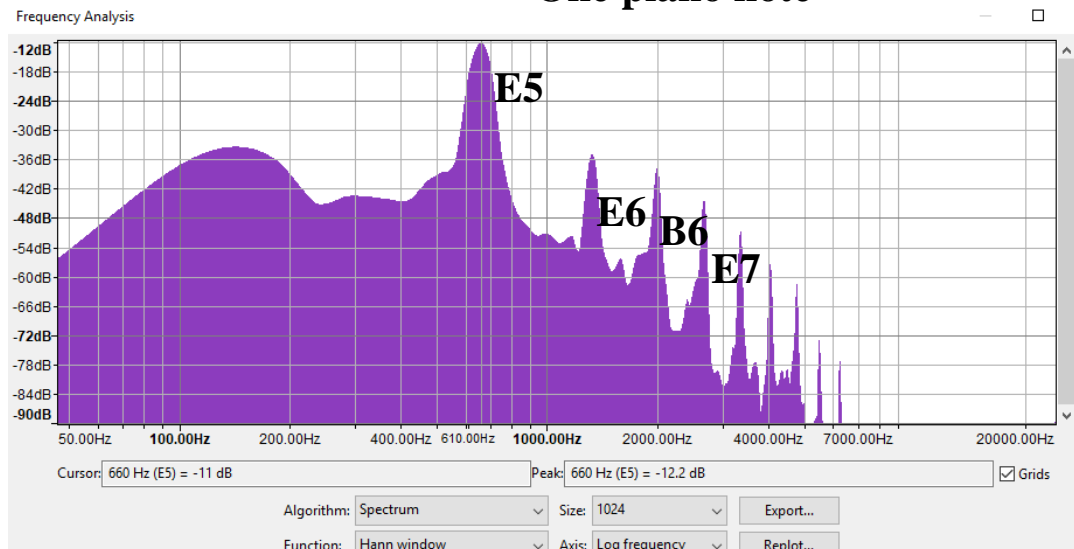
- Example: Piano Note



piano notes



One piano note



E5: 659.25 Hz
E6: 1318.51 Hz
B6: 1975.53 Hz
E7: 2637.02 Hz

spectrum

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FOURIER SERIES

- **Example**

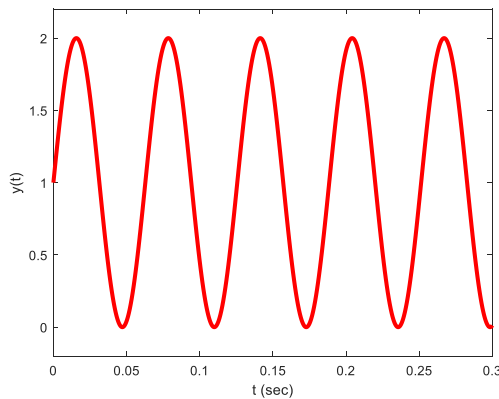
- Find the Fourier series of $s(t) = \exp(j\Omega_0 t)$

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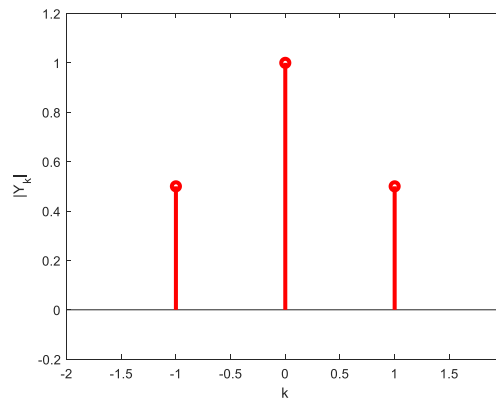
• Example

- Find the Fourier series of $s(t) = B + A\cos(\Omega_0 t + \theta)$

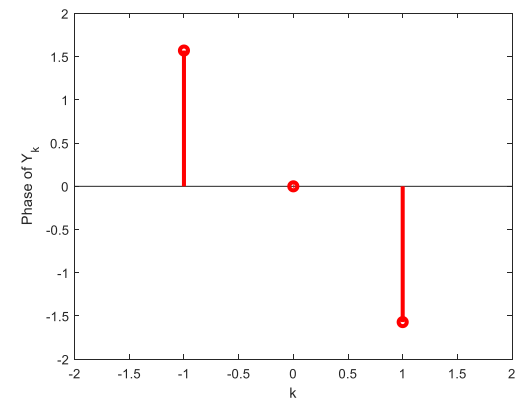
$$y(t) = 1 + \sin(100t)$$



Time domain



Amplitude spectrum



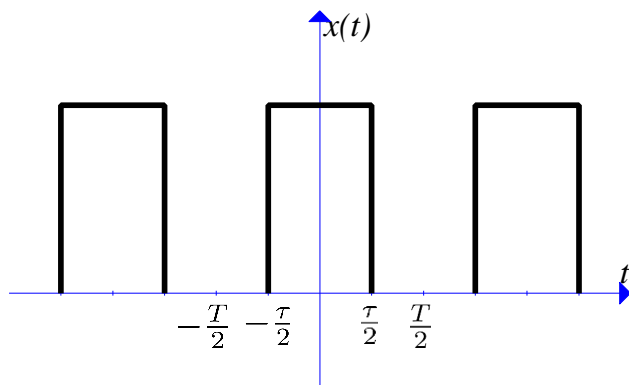
Phase spectrum

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- Example**

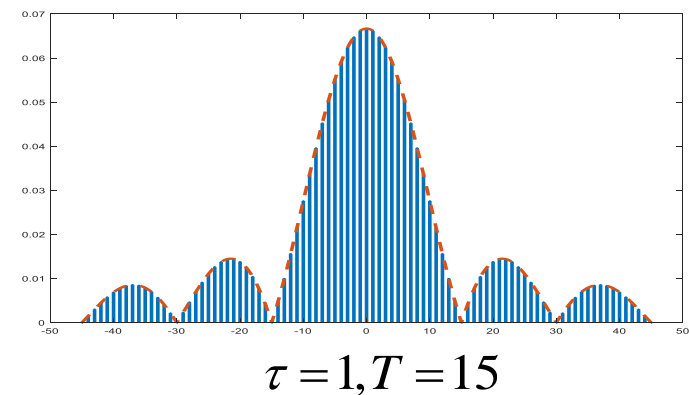
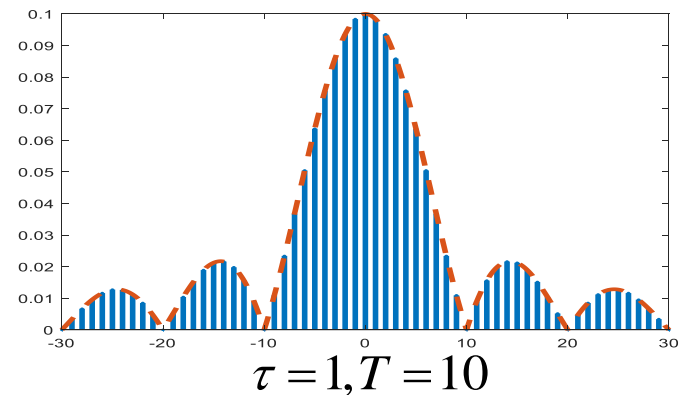
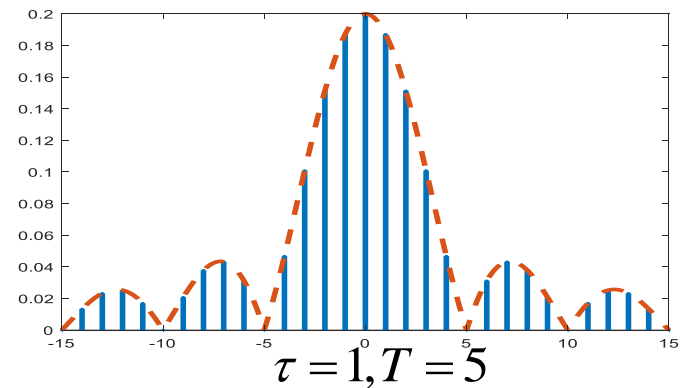
- Find the Fourier series of

$$s(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & -T/2 < t < -\tau/2 \\ K, & -\tau/2 < t < \tau/2 \\ 0, & \tau/2 < t < T/2 \end{cases}$$



Time domain

$$c_n = \frac{K\tau}{T} \text{sinc}\left(\frac{n\tau}{T}\right)$$



FOURIER SERIES: DIRICHLET CONDITIONS

- Can any periodic signal be decomposed into Fourier series?
 - Only signals satisfy Dirichlet conditions have Fourier series
- Dirichlet conditions
 - 1. $x(t)$ is absolutely integrable within one period

$$\int_{\langle T \rangle} |x(t)| dt < \infty$$

- 2. $x(t)$ has only a finite number of maxima and minima.
- 3. The number of discontinuities in $x(t)$ must be finite.

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PROPERTIES: LINEARITY

- **Linearity**

- Two periodic signals with the same period $T_0 = \frac{2\pi}{\Omega_0}$

$$x(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} \alpha_n e^{jn\Omega_0 t}$$

$$y(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} \beta_n e^{jn\Omega_0 t}$$

- The Fourier series of the superposition of two signals is

$$k_1 x(t) + k_2 y(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} (k_1 \alpha_n + k_2 \beta_n) e^{jn\Omega_0 t}$$

- If

$$x(t) \Leftrightarrow \alpha_n$$

$$y(t) \Leftrightarrow \beta_n$$

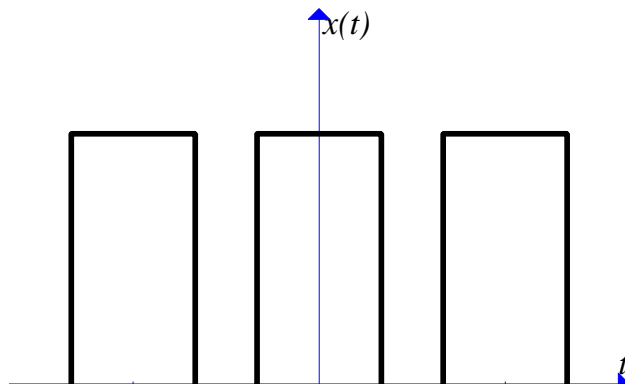
- then

$$k_1 x(t) + k_2 y(t) \Leftrightarrow (k_1 \alpha_n + k_2 \beta_n)$$

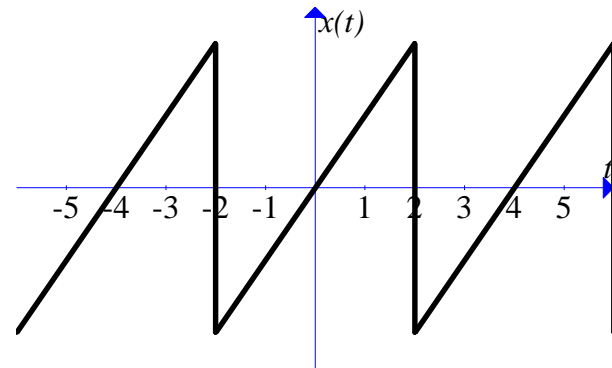
PROPERTIES: EFFECTS OF SYMMETRY

- **Symmetric signals**

- A signal is even symmetry if: $x(t) = x(-t)$
- A signal is odd symmetry if: $x(t) = -x(-t)$
- The existence of symmetries simplifies the computation of Fourier series coefficients.



Even symmetric



Odd symmetric

PROPERTIES: EFFECTS OF SYMMETRY

- **Fourier series of even symmetry signals**

- If a signal is even symmetry, then

$$x(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} a_n \cos(n\Omega_0 t)$$

$$a_n = \frac{2}{T_0} \int_0^{T_0/2} x(t) \cos(n\Omega_0 t) dt$$

- **Fourier series of odd symmetry signals**

- If a signal is odd symmetry, then

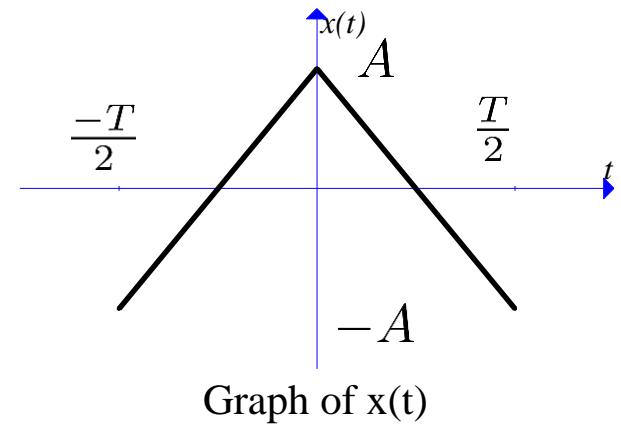
$$x(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} b_n \sin(n\Omega_0 t)$$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{T_0} \int_0^{T_0/2} x(t) \sin(n\Omega_0 t) dt$$

PROPERTIES: EFFECTS OF SYMMETRY

- **Example**

$$x(t) = \begin{cases} A - \frac{4A}{T}t, & 0 < t < T/2 \\ \frac{4A}{T}t - 3A, & T/2 < t < T \end{cases}$$



PROPERTIES: SHIFT IN TIME

- **Shift in time**

- If $x(t)$ has Fourier series c_n , then $x(t - t_0)$ has Fourier series

$$c_n e^{-jn\Omega_0 t_0}$$

$$\text{if } x(t) \longleftrightarrow c_n, \text{ then } x(t - t_0) \longleftrightarrow c_n e^{-jn\Omega_0 t_0}$$

- Proof:

PROPERTIES: PARSEVAL'S THEOREM

- Review: power of periodic signal

$$P = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T |x(t)|^2 dt$$

- Parseval's theorem

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{if} & x(t) \longleftrightarrow \alpha_n \\ \text{then} & \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T |x(t)|^2 dt = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{+\infty} |\alpha_m|^2 \end{array}$$

– Proof:

The power of signal can be computed in frequency domain!

PROPERTIES: PARSEVAL'S THEOREM

- **Example**

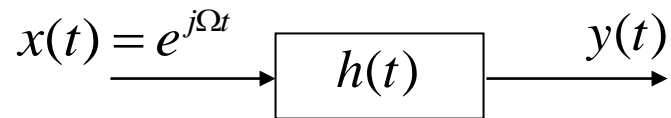
- Use Parseval's theorem find the power of $x(t) = A \sin(\Omega_0 t)$

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PERIODIC INPUTS: COMPLEX EXPONENTIAL INPUT

- **LTI system with complex exponential input**



$$y(t) = x(t) \otimes h(t) = h(t) \otimes x(t)$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} h(\tau) x(t - \tau) d\tau$$

$$= \exp(j\Omega t) \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} h(\tau) \exp(-j\Omega \tau) d\tau$$

- **Transfer function**

$$H(\Omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} h(\tau) \exp(-j\Omega \tau) d\tau$$

- For LTI system with complex exponential input, the output is

$$y(t) = H(\Omega) \exp(j\Omega t)$$

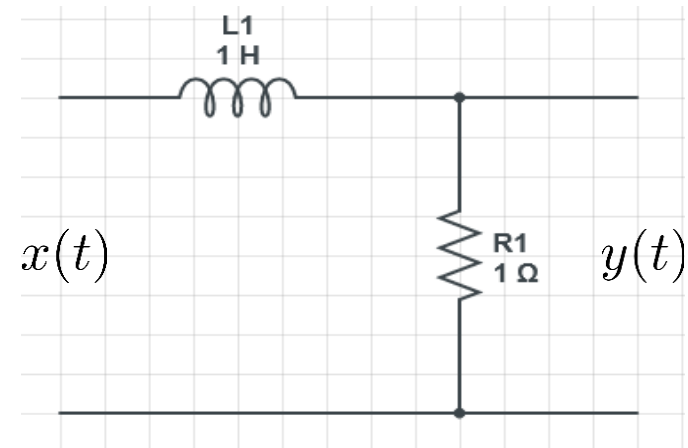
- It tells us the system response at different frequencies

PERIODIC INPUT

- **Example:**
 - For a system with impulse response $h(t) = \delta(t - t_0)$
find the transfer function

PERIODIC INPUT:

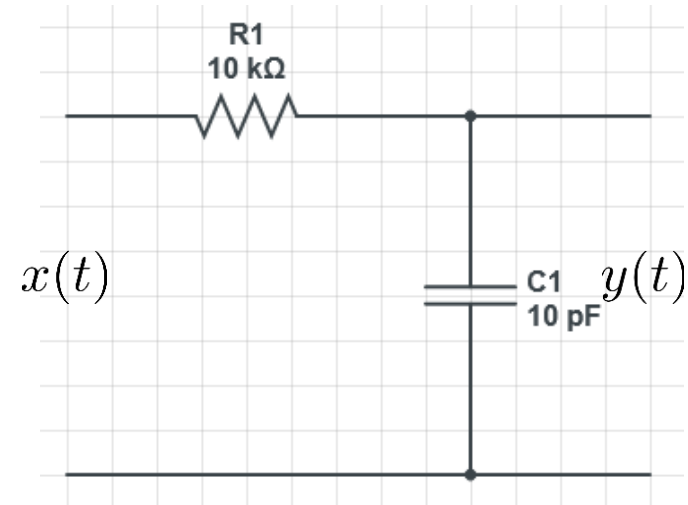
- **Example**
 - Find the transfer function of the system shown in figure.



RL circuit

PERIODIC INPUTS

- **Example**
 - Find the transfer function of the system shown in figure



RC circuit

PERIODIC INPUTS: TRANSFER FUNCTION

- **Transfer function**
 - For system described by differential equations

$$\sum_{i=0}^n p_i y^{(i)}(t) = \sum_{i=0}^m q_i x^{(i)}(t)$$

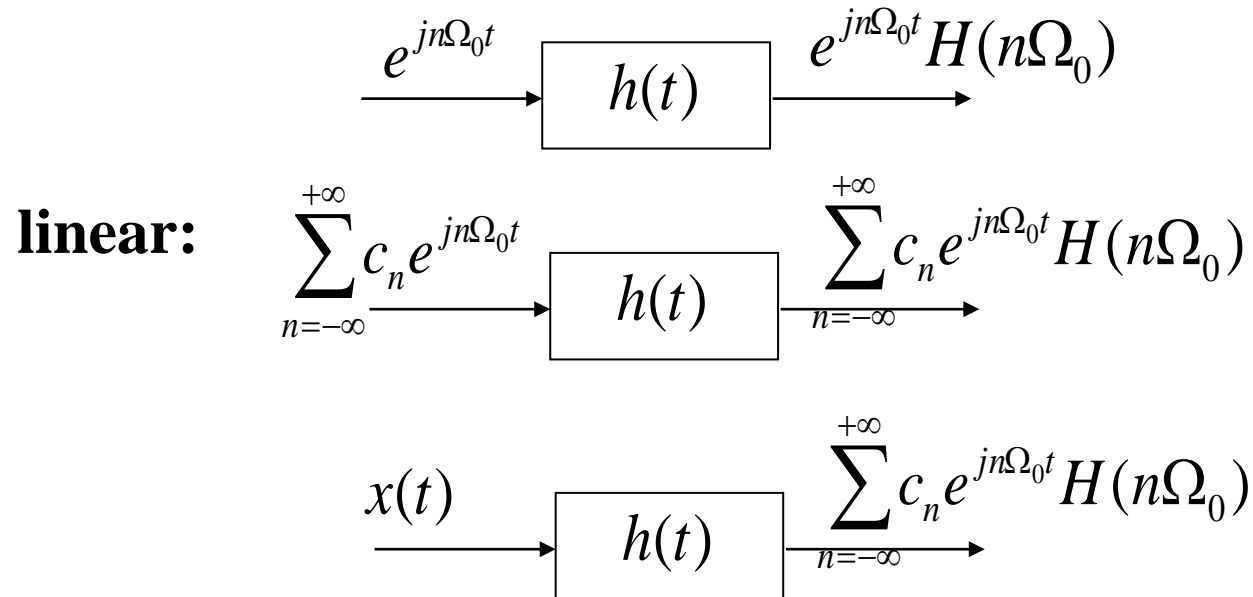
$$H(\Omega) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^m q_i (j\Omega)^i}{\sum_{i=0}^n p_i (j\Omega)^i}$$

PERIODIC INPUTS

- LTI system with periodic inputs**

- Periodic inputs: $x(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} c_n \exp(jn\Omega_0 t)$

$$\omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T}$$



For system with periodic inputs, the output is the weighted sum of the transfer function.

PERIODIC INPUTS

- **Procedures:**

- To find the output of LTI system with periodic input

- 1. Find the Fourier series coefficients of periodic input $x(t)$.

$$\alpha_n = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T x(t) e^{-jn\Omega_0 t} dt$$

$$\Omega_0 = 2\pi f_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T}$$

period of $x(t)$

- 2. Find the transfer function of LTI system $H(\Omega)$

- 3. The output of the system is

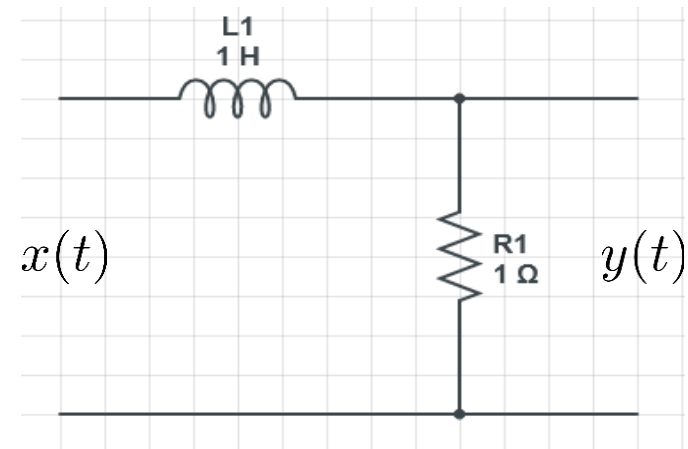
$$y(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} c_n e^{jn\Omega_0 t} H(n\Omega_0)$$

PERIODIC INPUTS

- **Example**

- Find the response of the system when the input is

$$x(t) = 4\cos(t) - 2\cos(2t)$$

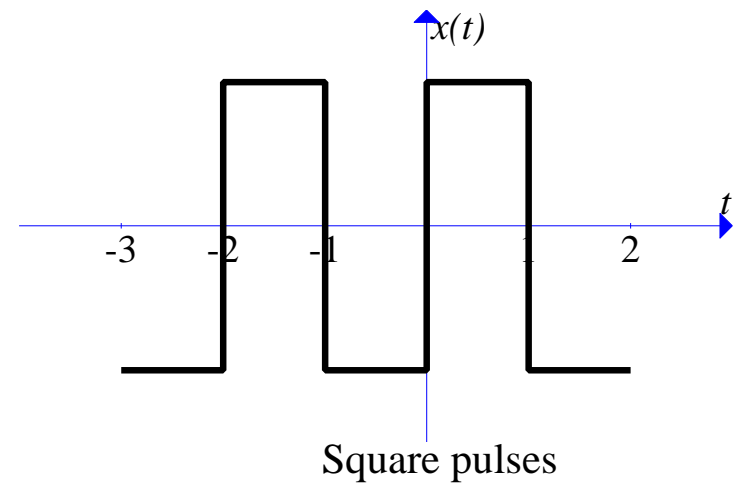
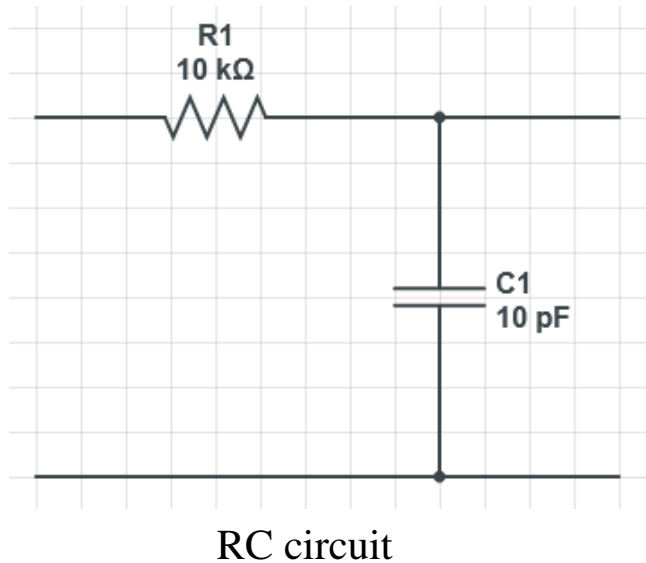


RL Circuit

PERIODIC INPUTS

- **Example**

- Find the response of the system when the input is shown in figure.



PERIODIC INPUTS: GIBBS PHENOMENON

- **The Gibbs Phenomenon**

- Most Fourier series has infinite number of elements \rightarrow unlimited bandwidth

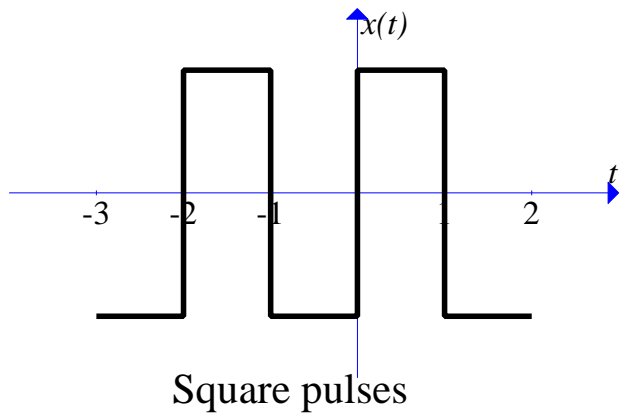
$$x(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} c_n e^{jn\Omega_0 t}$$

- What if we truncate the infinite series to finite number of elements?

$$x_N(t) = \sum_{n=-N}^{+N} c_n e^{jn\Omega_0 t}$$

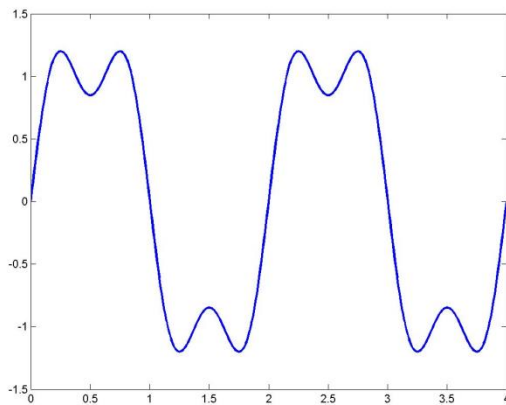
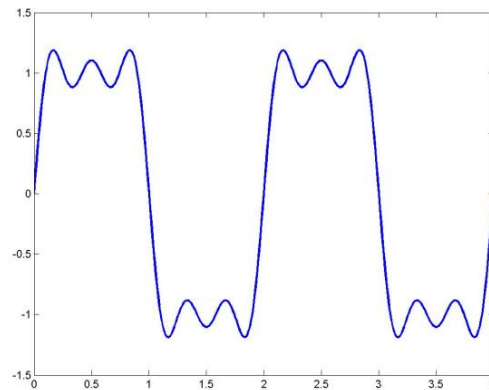
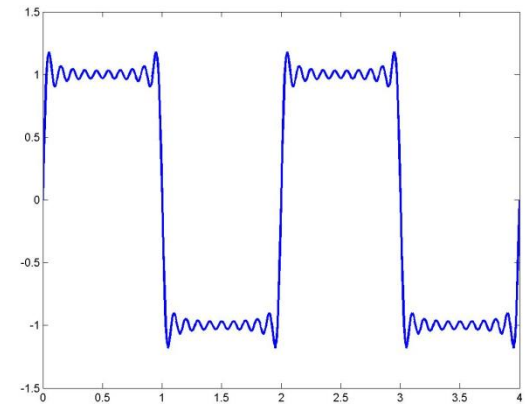
- The truncated signal, $x_N(t)$, is an approximation of the original signal $x(t)$

PERIODIC INPUTS: GIBBS PHENOMENON



$$c_n = \begin{cases} \frac{2K}{j\pi} \frac{1}{n}, & n \text{ odd,} \\ 0, & n \text{ even.} \end{cases}$$

$$x_N(t) = \sum_{n=-N}^{+N} c_n e^{jn\Omega_0 t}$$


 $x_3(t)$

 $x_5(t)$

 $x_{19}(t)$

FOURIER SERIES

- **Analogy: Optical Prism**
 - Each color is an Electromagnetic wave with a different frequency



Optical prism