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QUESTION:44

A continuous real-valued signal $x(t)$ has finite positive energy and $x(t) = 0, \forall t < 0$. From the list given below, select ALL the signals whose continuous-time Fourier transform is purely imaginary.

- 1) $x(t) + x(-t)$
- 2) $x(t) - x(-t)$
- 3) $j(x(t) + x(-t))$
- 4) $j(x(t) - x(-t))$

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Solution: $X(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j2\pi ft} dt$

Parameter	Description
$x(t)$	Continuous real valued signal
t	time
f	frequency of the signal
$X(f)$	Fourier Transform of $x(t)$
$X(-f)$	Fourier Transform of $x(-t)$

TABLE I

VARIABLES AND THEIR DESCRIPTIONS

Fourier transform of a continuous signal

$$\mathcal{F}\{x(t)\} = X(f)$$

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

$$\mathcal{F}\{x(-t)\} = X(-f)$$

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

$$1) x(t) + x(-t)$$

$$X(f) = \int_{-\infty}^0 x(t) e^{-j2\pi ft} dt + \int_0^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j2\pi ft} dt \quad (6)$$

$$X(f) = \int_0^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j2\pi ft} dt \quad (7)$$

$$X(-f) = \int_{-\infty}^0 x(-t) e^{j2\pi ft} dt \quad (8)$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} x(t) e^{j2\pi ft} dt \quad (9)$$

$$X(f) + X(-f) = \int_0^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j2\pi ft} dt + \int_0^{\infty} x(t) e^{j2\pi ft} dt \quad (10)$$

$$= 2 \int_0^{\infty} jx(t) \cos(2\pi ft) dt \quad (11)$$

\therefore Integral of a real number is real, Continuous time Fourier transform of $(x(t) + x(-t))$ is not Purely imaginary.

$$2) x(t) - x(-t)$$

$$X(f) = \int_{-\infty}^0 x(t) e^{-j2\pi ft} dt - \int_0^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j2\pi ft} dt \quad (12)$$

$$X(f) = \int_0^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j2\pi ft} dt \quad (13)$$

$$X(-f) = \int_{-\infty}^0 x(-t) e^{j2\pi ft} dt \quad (14)$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} x(t) e^{j2\pi ft} dt \quad (15)$$

$$(1) \quad X(f) - X(-f) = \int_0^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j2\pi ft} dt - \int_0^{\infty} x(t) e^{j2\pi ft} dt \quad (16)$$

$$(3) \quad = -2 \int_0^{\infty} jx(t) \sin(2\pi ft) dt \quad (17)$$

\therefore Integral of a purely imaginary number is imaginary, Continuous time Fourier transform of

$(x(t) - x(-t))$ is Purely imaginary.

3) $j(x(t) + x(-t))$

$$X(f) = \int_{-\infty}^0 jx(t) e^{-j2\pi ft} dt + \int_0^{\infty} jx(t) e^{-j2\pi ft} dt \quad (18)$$

$$X(f) = \int_0^{\infty} jx(t) e^{-j2\pi ft} dt \quad (19)$$

$$X(-f) = \int_{-\infty}^0 jx(-t) e^{j2\pi ft} dt \quad (20)$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} jx(t) e^{j2\pi ft} dt \quad (21)$$

$$X(f) + X(-f) = \int_0^{\infty} jx(t) e^{-j2\pi ft} dt + \int_0^{\infty} jx(t) e^{j2\pi ft} dt \quad (22)$$

$$= 2 \int_0^{\infty} jx(t) \cos(2\pi ft) dt \quad (23)$$

\therefore Integral of a purely imaginary number is imaginary, Continuous time Fourier transform of $j(x(t) + x(-t))$ is Purely imaginary.

4) $j(x(t) - x(-t))$

$$X(f) = \int_{-\infty}^0 jx(t) e^{-j2\pi ft} dt - \int_0^{\infty} jx(t) e^{-j2\pi ft} dt \quad (24)$$

$$X(f) = \int_0^{\infty} jx(t) e^{-j2\pi ft} dt \quad (25)$$

$$X(-f) = \int_{-\infty}^0 jx(-t) e^{j2\pi ft} dt \quad (26)$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} jx(t) e^{j2\pi ft} dt \quad (27)$$

$$X(f) - X(-f) = \int_0^{\infty} jx(t) e^{-j2\pi ft} dt - \int_0^{\infty} jx(t) e^{j2\pi ft} dt \quad (28)$$

$$= 2 \int_0^{\infty} x(t) \sin(2\pi ft) dt \quad (29)$$

\therefore Integral of a real number is real, Continuous time Fourier transform of $j(x(t) - x(-t))$ is not Purely imaginary.