



# EBU4375: SIGNALS AND SYSTEMS

LECTURE 13: PART 1



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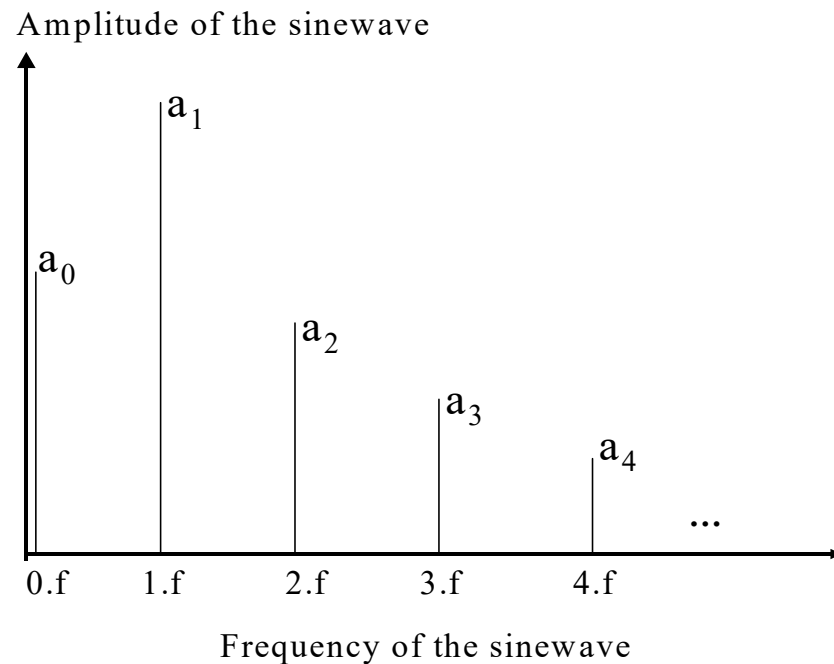
- 1) **Periodic continuous-time signals** can be expressed as a weighted sum of sinusoids (or a weighted sum of complex exponential functions). In this case, the frequency spectrum can be generated by computing the *Fourier series*
- 2) The resulting representations are referred to as the **continuous-time Fourier series (CTFS)**
- 3) The Fourier series is named after the French physicist **Jean Baptiste Fourier** (1768-1830), who was the first one to propose that periodic waveforms could be represented by **a sum of sinusoids (or complex exponentials)**

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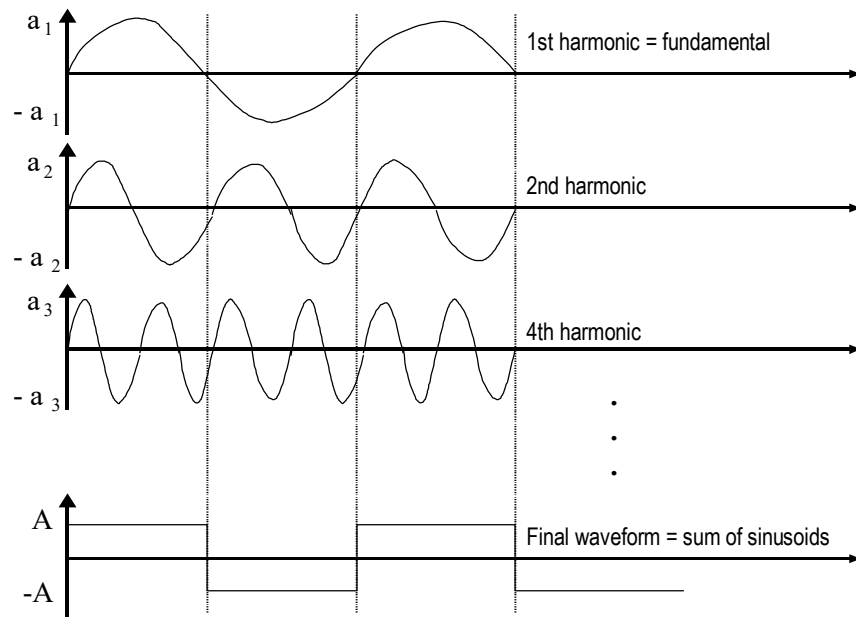
1) **Periodic continuous-time** signals  $\longrightarrow$  We use **Continuous-Time Fourier series (CTFS)** to decompose such signals into their frequency components

2) **Aperiodic continuous-time** signals  $\longrightarrow$  We use **Continuous-Time Fourier Transform (CTFT)** to decompose such signals into their frequency components

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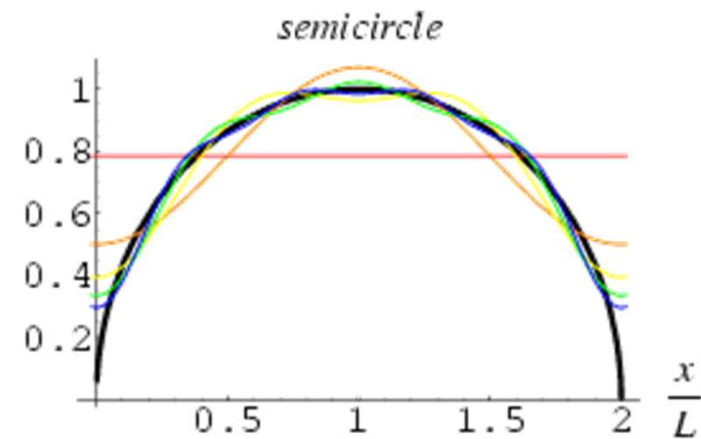
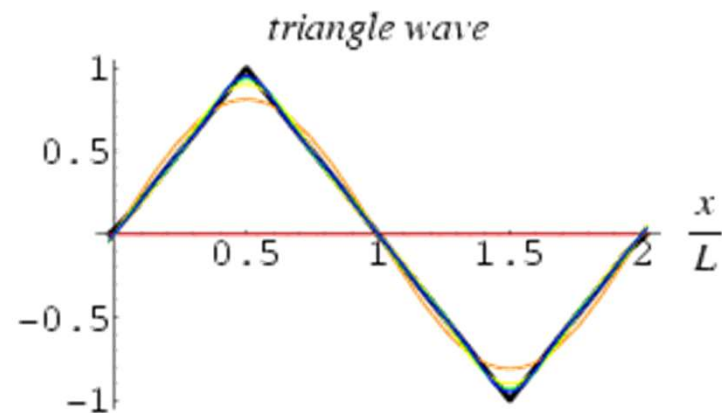
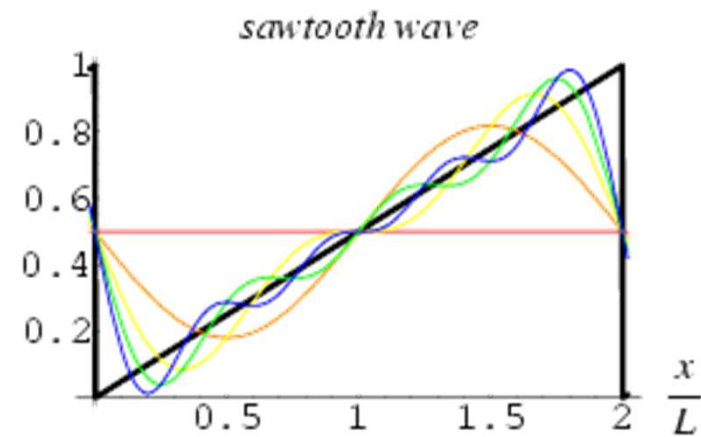
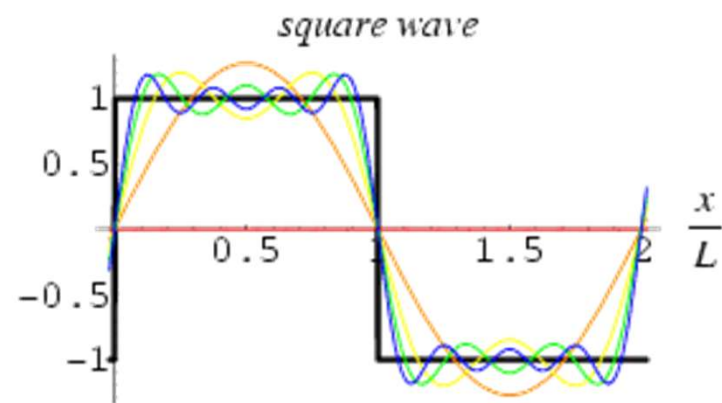


*This diagram represents the frequency domain*



*This diagram represents the time domain. NOTE: the bottom line is not the sum of the first 3 lines.*

# Orthogonal Signal Space and Fourier Series



# Orthogonal Signal Space

**Definition** Two non-zero signals  $p(t)$  and  $q(t)$  are said to be orthogonal over interval  $t = [t_1, t_2]$  if

$$\int_{t_1}^{t_2} p(t)q^*(t)dt = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} p^*(t)q(t)dt = 0,$$

where the superscript  $*$  denotes the complex conjugation operator. In addition if both signals  $p(t)$  and  $q(t)$  also satisfy the unit magnitude property:

$$\int_{t_1}^{t_2} p(t)p^*(t)dt = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} q(t)q^*(t)dt = 1,$$

they are said to be orthonormal to each other over the interval  $t = [t_1, t_2]$ .

# Orthogonal Signal Space

## Example

Show that

- (i) functions  $\cos(2\pi t)$  and  $\cos(3\pi t)$  are orthogonal over interval  $t = [0, 1]$ ;
- (ii) functions  $\exp(j2t)$  and  $\exp(j4t)$  are orthogonal over interval  $t = [0, \pi]$ ;
- (iii) functions  $\cos(t)$  and  $t$  are orthogonal over interval  $t = [-1, 1]$ .

## Solution

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^1 \cos(2\pi t) \cos(3\pi t) dt &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 [\cos(\pi t) + \cos(5\pi t)] dt \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{\pi} \sin(\pi t) + \frac{1}{5\pi} \sin(5\pi t) \right]_0^1 = 0.\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the functions  $\cos(2\pi t)$  and  $\cos(3\pi t)$  are orthogonal over interval  $t = [0, 1]$ .



# Orthogonal Signal Space

(ii)

$$\int_0^{\pi} e^{j2t} e^{-j4t} dt = \int_0^{\pi} e^{-j2t} dt = \frac{1}{-2j} [e^{-j2t}]_0^{\pi} = -\frac{1}{2j} [e^{-j2\pi} - 1]_0^{\pi} = 0,$$

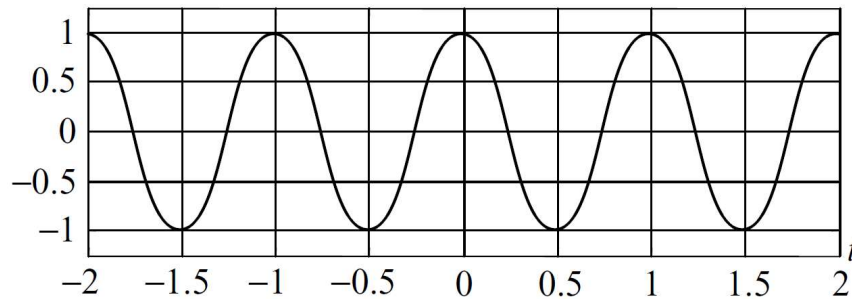
implying that the functions  $\exp(j2t)$  and  $\exp(j4t)$  are orthogonal over interval  $t = [0, \pi]$ .

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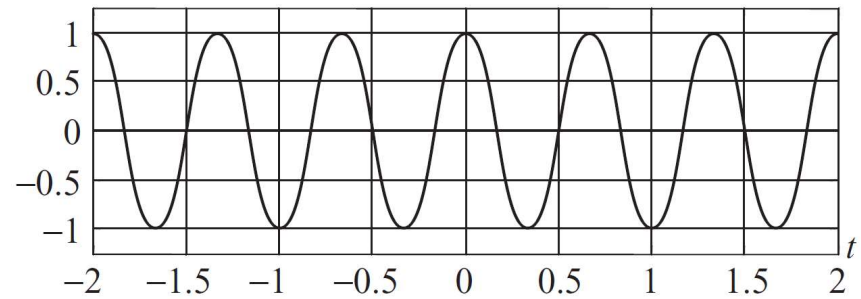
$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-1}^1 t \cos(t) dt &= [t \sin(t) + \cos(t)]_{-1}^1 = [1 \cdot \sin(1) + \cos(1)] \\ &\quad - [(-1) \cdot \sin(-1) + \cos(-1)] = 0, \end{aligned}$$

implying that the functions  $\cos(t)$  and  $t$  are orthogonal over interval  $t = [-1, 1]$ .

# Orthogonal Signal Space



(a)



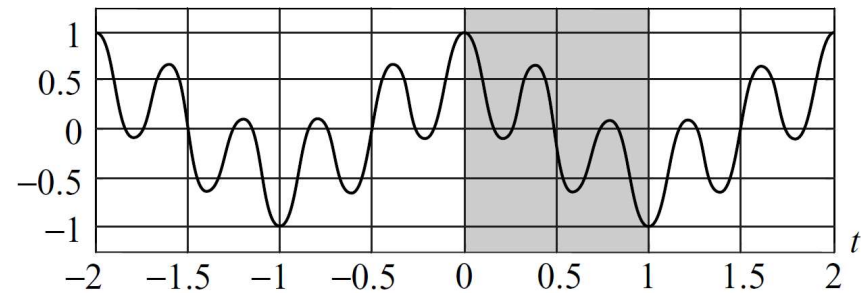
(b)

Graphical illustration of  
the orthogonality condition for  
the functions  $\cos(2\pi t)$  and  
 $\cos(3\pi t)$

(a) Waveform for  $\cos(2\pi t)$ .

(b) Waveform for  $\cos(3\pi t)$ .

(c) Waveform for  $\cos(2\pi t) \times \cos(3\pi t)$ .



# Orthogonal Signal Space

## Example

Show that the set  $\{1, \cos(\omega_0 t), \cos(2\omega_0 t), \cos(3\omega_0 t), \dots, \sin(\omega_0 t), \sin(2\omega_0 t), \sin(3\omega_0 t), \dots\}$ , consisting of all possible harmonics of sine and cosine waves with fundamental frequency of  $\omega_0$ , is an orthogonal set over any interval  $t = [t_0, t_0 + T_0]$ , with duration  $T_0 = 2\pi/\omega_0$ .

## Solution

It may be noted that the set  $\{1, \cos(\omega_0 t), \cos(2\omega_0 t), \cos(3\omega_0 t), \dots, \sin(\omega_0 t), \sin(2\omega_0 t), \sin(3\omega_0 t), \dots\}$  contains three types of functions: 1,  $\{\cos(m\omega_0 t)\}$ , and  $\{\sin(n\omega_0 t)\}$  for arbitrary integers  $m, n \in Z^+$ , where  $Z^+$  is the set of positive integers. We will consider all possible combinations of these functions.

# Orthogonal Signal Space

**Case 1** The following proof shows that functions  $\{\cos(m\omega_0 t), m \in Z^+\}$  are orthogonal to each other over interval  $t = [t_0, t_0 + T_0]$  with  $T_0 = 2\pi/\omega_0$ .

$$\int_{\langle T_0 \rangle} \cos(m\omega_0 t) \cos(n\omega_0 t) dt = \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T_0} \cos(m\omega_0 t) \cos(n\omega_0 t) dt \quad \text{for any arbitrary } t_0.$$

Using the trigonometric identity  $\cos(m\omega_0 t) \cos(n\omega_0 t) = (1/2)[\cos((m - n)\omega_0 t) + \cos((m + n)\omega_0 t)]$ , the above integral reduces as follows:

$$\int_{\langle T_0 \rangle} \cos(m\omega_0 t) \cos(n\omega_0 t) dt = \begin{cases} \left[ \frac{\sin(m - n)\omega_0 t}{2(m - n)\omega_0} + \frac{\sin(m + n)\omega_0 t}{2(m + n)\omega_0} \right]_{t_0}^{t_0+T_0} & m \neq n \\ \left[ \frac{t}{2} + \frac{\sin 2m\omega_0 t}{4m\omega_0} \right]_{t_0}^{t_0+T_0} & m = n, \end{cases}$$

# Orthogonal Signal Space

or

$$\int_{\langle T_0 \rangle} \cos(m\omega_0 t) \cos(n\omega_0 t) dt = \begin{cases} 0 & m \neq n \\ \frac{T_0}{2} & m = n, \end{cases}$$

for  $m, n \in Z^+$ .

**Case 2** By following the procedure outlined in case 1, it is straightforward to show that

$$\int_{\langle T_0 \rangle} \sin(m\omega_0 t) \sin(n\omega_0 t) dt = \begin{cases} 0 & m \neq n \\ \frac{T_0}{2} & m = n, \end{cases}$$

for  $m, n \in Z^+$ .

# Orthogonal Signal Space

**Case 3** To verify that functions  $\{\cos(m\omega_0 t)\}$  and  $\{\sin(n\omega_0 t)\}$  are mutually orthogonal, consider the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\langle T_0 \rangle} \cos(m\omega_0 t) \sin(n\omega_0 t) dt &= \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T_0} \cos(m\omega_0 t) \sin(n\omega_0 t) dt \\ &= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T_0} [\sin((m+n)\omega_0 t) - \sin((m-n)\omega_0 t)] dt & m \neq n \\ \frac{1}{2} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T_0} [\sin(2m\omega_0 t)] dt & m = n \end{cases} \\ &= \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\cos((m+n)\omega_0 t)}{(m+n)\omega_0} \right]_{t_0}^{t_0+T_0} + \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\cos((m-n)\omega_0 t)}{(m-n)\omega_0} \right]_{t_0}^{t_0+T_0} & m \neq n \\ -\frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\cos(2n\omega_0 t)}{2m\omega_0} \right]_{t_0}^{t_0+T_0} & m = n \end{cases} \\ &= \begin{cases} 0 & m \neq n \\ 0 & m = n, \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

for  $m, n \in Z^+$ , which proves that  $\{\cos(m\omega_0 t)\}$  and  $\{\sin(n\omega_0 t)\}$  are orthogonal over interval  $t = [t_0, t_0 + T_0]$  with  $T_0 = 2\pi/\omega_0$ .

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**Case 4** The following proof demonstrates that the function “1” is orthogonal to  $\cos(m\omega_0 t)$  and  $\sin(n\omega_0 t)$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{\langle T_0 \rangle} 1 \cdot \cos(m\omega_0 t) dt &= \left[ \frac{\sin(m\omega_0 t)}{m\omega_0} \right]_{t_0}^{t_0+T_0} \\ &= \left[ \frac{\sin(m\omega_0 t_0 + 2m\pi) - \sin(m\omega_0 t_0)}{m\omega_0} \right] = 0\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{\langle T_0 \rangle} 1 \cdot \sin(m\omega_0 t) dt &= \left[ -\frac{\cos(m\omega_0 t)}{m\omega_0} \right]_{t_0}^{t_0+T_0} \\ &= -\left[ \frac{\cos(m\omega_0 t_0 + 2m\pi) - \cos(m\omega_0 t_0)}{m\omega_0} \right] = 0\end{aligned}$$

# Trigonometric CTFS

**Definition**     *An arbitrary periodic function  $x(t)$  with fundamental period  $T_0$  can be expressed as follows:*

$$x(t) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos(n\omega_0 t) + b_n \sin(n\omega_0 t)),$$

*where  $\omega_0 = 2\pi / T_0$  is the fundamental frequency of  $x(t)$  and coefficients  $a_0$ ,  $a_n$ , and  $b_n$  are referred to as the trigonometric CTFS coefficients. The coefficients are calculated as follows:*

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_{\langle T_0 \rangle} x(t) dt,$$

$$a_n = \frac{2}{T_0} \int_{\langle T_0 \rangle} x(t) \cos(n\omega_0 t) dt,$$

*and*

$$b_n = \frac{2}{T_0} \int_{\langle T_0 \rangle} x(t) \sin(n\omega_0 t) dt.$$

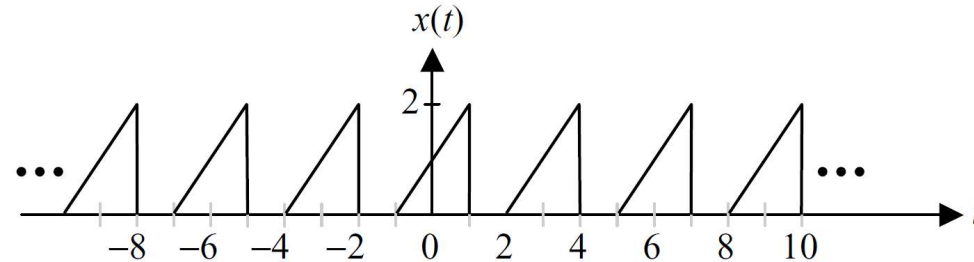


# Trigonometric CTFS

## Example

Calculate the trigonometric CTFS coefficients of the periodic signal  $x(t)$  defined over one period  $T_0 = 3$  as follows:

$$x(t) = \begin{cases} t + 1 & -1 \leq t \leq 1 \\ 0 & 1 < t < 2. \end{cases}$$



$$a_0 = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_{\langle T_0 \rangle} x(t) dt = \frac{1}{3} \int_{-1}^1 (t + 1) dt = \frac{1}{3} \left[ \frac{1}{2} t^2 + t \right]_{-1}^1 = \frac{2}{3}$$

# Trigonometric CTFS

The CTFS coefficients  $a_n$  are given by

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= \frac{2}{T_0} \int_{\langle T_0 \rangle} x(t) \cos(n\omega_0 t) dt = \frac{2}{3} \int_{-1}^1 (t+1) \cos(n\omega_0 t) dt \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \int_{-1}^1 \underbrace{t \cos(n\omega_0 t)}_{\text{odd function}} dt + \frac{2}{3} \int_{-1}^1 \underbrace{\cos(n\omega_0 t)}_{\text{even function}} dt. \end{aligned}$$

Since the integral of odd functions within the limit  $[-t_0, t_0]$  is zero,

$$\int_{-1}^1 t \cos(n\omega_0 t) dt = 0,$$

and the value of  $a_n$  is given by

$$a_n = \frac{2}{3} \int_{-1}^1 \cos(n\omega_0 t) dt = \frac{4}{3} \int_0^1 \cos(n\omega_0 t) dt = \frac{4}{3} \left[ \frac{\sin(n\omega_0 t)}{n\omega_0} \right]_0^1 = \frac{4 \sin(n\omega_0)}{3n\omega_0}$$

# Trigonometric CTFS

Substituting  $\omega_0 = 2\pi/3$ , we obtain

$$a_n = \begin{cases} 0 & n = 3k \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{n\pi} & n = 3k + 1 \\ -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{n\pi} & n = 3k + 2, \end{cases}$$

for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Similarly, the CTFS coefficients  $b_n$  are given by

$$\begin{aligned} b_n &= \frac{2}{T_0} \int_{\langle T_0 \rangle} x(t) \sin(n\omega_0 t) dt = \frac{2}{3} \int_{-1}^1 (t+1) \sin(n\omega_0 t) dt \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \int_{-1}^1 \underbrace{t \sin(n\omega_0 t)}_{\text{even function}} dt + \frac{2}{3} \int_{-1}^1 \underbrace{\sin(n\omega_0 t)}_{\text{odd function}} dt. \end{aligned}$$

# Trigonometric CTFS

Since the integral of odd functions within the limits  $[-t_0, t_0]$  is zero,

$$\int_{-1}^1 \sin(n\omega_0 t) dt = 0,$$

and the value of  $b_n$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} b_n &= \frac{2}{3} \int_{-1}^1 t \sin(n\omega_0 t) dt = \frac{4}{3} \int_0^1 t \sin(n\omega_0 t) dt \\ &= \frac{4}{3} \left[ -t \frac{\cos(n\omega_0 t)}{n\omega_0} + \frac{\sin(n\omega_0 t)}{(n\omega_0)^2} \right]_0^1 = -\frac{4 \cos(n\omega_0)}{3n\omega_0} + \frac{4 \sin(n\omega_0)}{3(n\omega_0)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Substituting  $\omega_0 = 2\pi/3$ , we obtain

$$b_n = \begin{cases} -\frac{2}{n\pi} & n = 3k \\ \frac{1}{n\pi} + \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2(n\pi)^2} & n = 3k + 1 \\ \frac{1}{n\pi} - \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2(n\pi)^2} & n = 3k + 2, \end{cases}$$

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for  $k \in Z$ . The periodic signal  $x(t)$  is therefore expressed as follows:

$$x(t) = \underbrace{\frac{2}{3}}_{x_{av}(t)} + \underbrace{\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos\left(\frac{2n\pi}{3}t\right)}_{\text{Ev}\{x(t)-a_0\}} + \underbrace{\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{2n\pi}{3}t\right)}_{\text{Odd}\{x(t)-a_0\}},$$

Coefficient  $a_0$

represents the average value of signal  $x(t)$ , referred to as  $x_{av}(t)$ . The cosine terms collectively represent the zero-mean even component of signal  $x(t)$ , denoted by  $\text{Ev}\{x(t) - a_0\}$ , while the sine terms collectively represent the zero-mean odd component of  $x(t)$ , denoted by  $\text{Odd}\{x(t) - a_0\}$ .



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# Exponential CTFS

**Definition**     *An arbitrary periodic function  $x(t)$  with a fundamental period  $T_0$  can be expressed as follows:*

$$x(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} D_n e^{jn\omega_0 t},$$

*where the exponential CTFS coefficients  $D_n$  are calculated as*

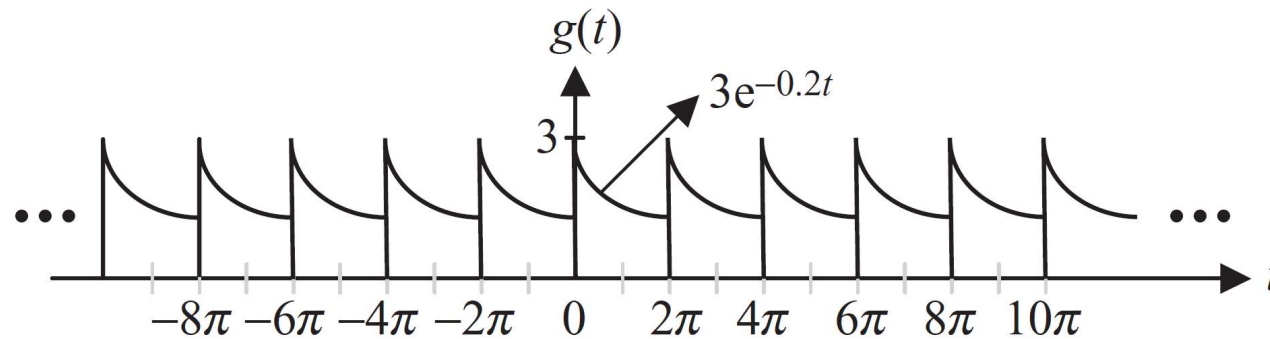
$$D_n = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_{\langle T_0 \rangle} x(t) e^{-jn\omega_0 t} dt,$$

*$\omega_0$  being the fundamental frequency given by  $\omega_0 = 2\pi / T_0$ .*

# Exponential CTFS

## Example

Calculate the exponential CTFS coefficients for the periodic function  $g(t)$



## Solution

By inspection, the fundamental period  $T_0 = 2\pi$ , which gives the fundamental frequency  $\omega_0 = 2\pi/2\pi = 1$ . The exponential CTFS coefficients  $D_n$  are given by

$$D_n = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_{\langle T_0 \rangle} g(t) e^{-jn\omega_0 t} dt = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} 3e^{-0.2t} e^{-jn\omega_0 t} dt = \frac{3}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{-(0.2+jn\omega_0)t} dt$$



# Exponential CTFS

or

$$D_n = -\frac{3}{2\pi} \left[ \frac{e^{-(0.2+jn\omega_0)t}}{(0.2+jn\omega_0)} \right]_0^{2\pi} = \frac{3}{2\pi} \frac{1}{(0.2+jn\omega_0)} [1 - e^{-(0.2+jn\omega_0)2\pi}].$$

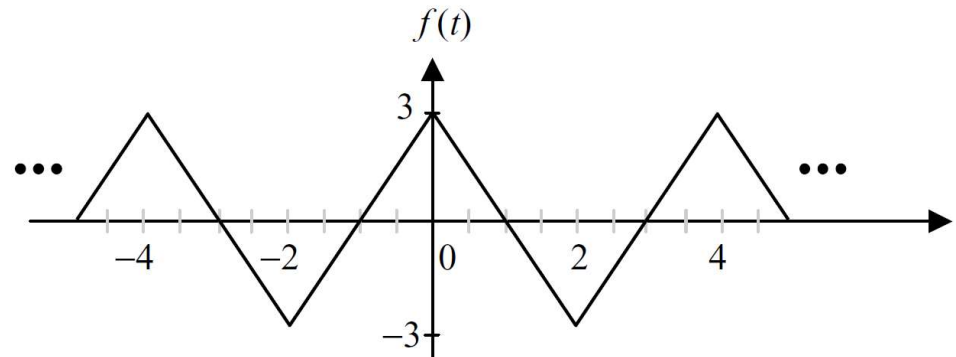
Substituting  $\omega_0 = 1$ , we obtain the following expression for the exponential CTFS coefficients:

$$\begin{aligned} D_n &= \frac{3}{2\pi(0.2+jn)} [1 - e^{-(0.2+jn)2\pi}] \\ &= \frac{3}{2\pi(0.2+jn)} [1 - e^{-0.4\pi}] \approx \frac{0.3416}{(0.2+jn)}. \end{aligned}$$

# Exponential CTFS

## Example

Calculate the exponential CTFS coefficients for  $f(t)$  as shown



## Solution

Since the fundamental period  $T_0 = 4$ , the angular frequency  $\omega_0 = 2\pi/4 = \pi/2$ . The exponential CTFS coefficients  $D_n$  are calculated directly from the definition as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} D_n &= \frac{1}{T_0} \int_{\langle T_0 \rangle} f(t) e^{-jn\omega_0 t} dt = \frac{1}{4} \int_{-2}^2 f(t) e^{-jn\omega_0 t} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \int_{-2}^2 \underbrace{f(t) \cos(n\omega_0 t)}_{\text{even function}} dt - j \frac{1}{4} \int_{-2}^2 \underbrace{f(t) \sin(n\omega_0 t)}_{\text{odd function}} dt. \end{aligned}$$

# Exponential CTFS

Since the integration of an odd function within the limits  $[t_0, -t_0]$  is zero,

$$D_n = \frac{1}{4} \int_{-2}^2 f(t) \cos(n\omega_0 t) dt = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^2 (3 - 3t) \cos(n\omega_0 t) dt,$$

which simplifies to

$$\begin{aligned} D_n &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ (3 - 3t) \frac{\sin(n\omega_0 t)}{n\omega_0} - 3 \frac{\cos(n\omega_0 t)}{(n\omega_0)^2} \right]_0^2 \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \left[ -\frac{\sin(2n\omega_0)}{n\omega_0} - \frac{\cos(2n\omega_0)}{(n\omega_0)^2} + \frac{1}{(n\omega_0)^2} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Substituting  $\omega_0 = \pi/2$ , we obtain

$$D_n = \frac{3}{2} \left[ -\frac{\sin(n\pi)}{0.5n\pi} - \frac{\cos(n\pi)}{(0.5n\pi)^2} + \frac{1}{(0.5n\pi)^2} \right] = \frac{6}{(n\pi)^2} [1 - (-1)^n]$$

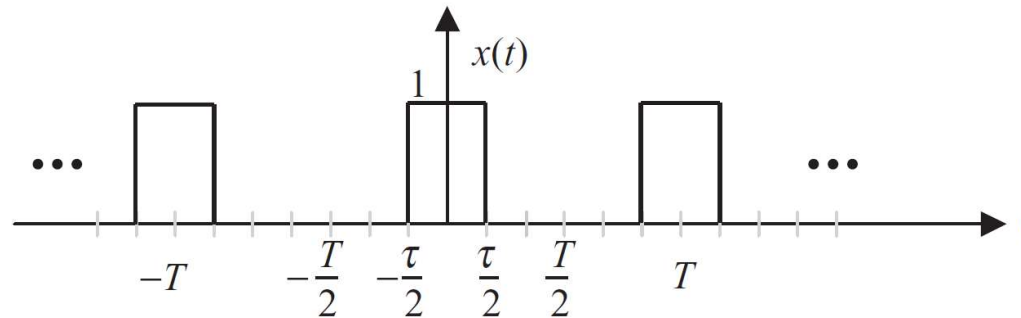
or

$$D_n = \begin{cases} 0 & n \text{ is even} \\ \frac{12}{(n\pi)^2} & n \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

# Exponential CTFS

## Example

Calculate the exponential Fourier series of the signal  $x(t)$



**Case I** For  $n = 0$ , the exponential CTFS coefficients are given by

$$D_n = \frac{1}{T} [t]_{-\tau/2}^{\tau/2} = \frac{\tau}{T}.$$

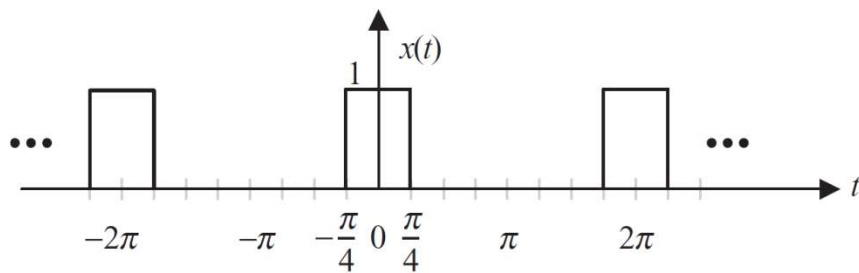
**Case II** For  $n \neq 0$ , the exponential CTFS coefficients are given by

$$D_n = -\frac{1}{jn\omega_0 T} [e^{-jn\omega_0 t}]_{-\tau/2}^{\tau/2} = \frac{1}{n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi\tau}{T}\right)$$

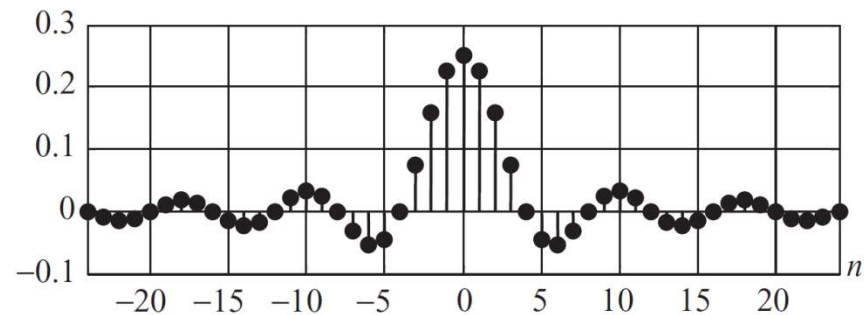
# Exponential CTFS

or

$$D_n = \frac{\tau}{T} \frac{\sin\left(\pi \frac{n\tau}{T}\right)}{\left(\pi \frac{n\tau}{T}\right)} = \frac{\tau}{T} \text{sinc}\left(\frac{n\tau}{T}\right)$$



(a)



(b)

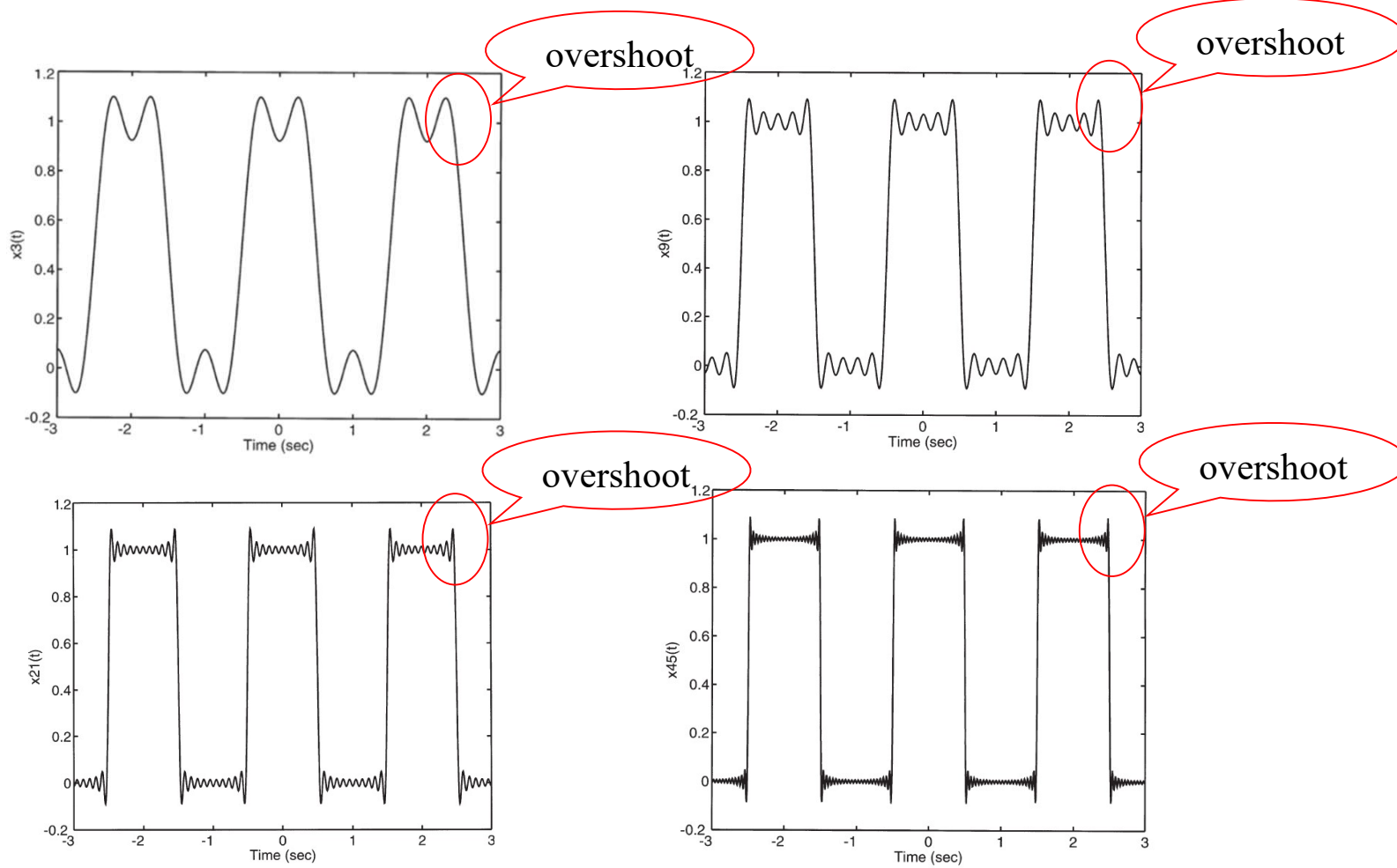
Exponential CTFS  
coefficients for the signal  $x(t)$   
with  $\tau = \pi/2$  and  $T = 2\pi$ .



$$D_n = \frac{1}{4} \text{sinc}\left(\frac{n}{4}\right)$$

(a) Waveform for  $x(t)$ . (b) Exponential CTFS coefficients.

# Gibbs Phenomenon



# Gibbs Phenomenon

- **The overshoot at the corners is still present even in the limit as  $N$  approaches to infinity. This characteristic was first discovered by Josiah Willard Gibbs (1893-1903), and this overshoot is referred to as the *Gibbs phenomenon***
- **Now let  $x(t)$  be an arbitrary periodic signal. As a consequence of the Gibbs phenomenon, the Fourier series representation of  $x(t)$  is not actually equal to the true value of  $x(t)$  at any points where  $x(t)$  is discontinuous**
- **If  $x(t)$  is discontinuous at  $t = t_1$ , the Fourier series representation is off by approximately 9% at  $t_1^+$  and  $t_1^-$**