

Communication Systems

EE-351

Lectures 2 and 3

Signals and Systems

- **Signal** is set of information or data
- **System** is an entity that process a set of signals (inputs) to yield another set of signals (outputs)

Energy of a signal:

- Consider a signal $x(t)$, energy of a signal is defined as:

$$E_x = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)|^2 dt$$

Example:

$$x(t) = \begin{cases} e^{-t} & t \geq 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$E_x = \int_0^{\infty} |e^{-t}|^2 dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-2t} dt = \frac{1}{2}$$

- For a signal $x(t)$, if E_x is finite, i.e., $E_x < \infty$, then $x(t)$ is termed as an **energy signal**.

Signal Power

Power of a signal:

- power of a signal $x(t)$ is defined as:

$$P_x = \lim_{\tilde{T} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\tilde{T}} \int_{-\tilde{T}/2}^{\tilde{T}/2} |x(t)|^2 dt$$
$$= \lim_{\tilde{T} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\text{energy in a window of size } \tilde{T}}{\tilde{T}}$$

- If P_x is finite, i.e., $P_x < \infty$, then $x(t)$ is termed as a **power signal**.

Power of an energy signal

- If $x(t)$ is an energy signal,

$$\begin{aligned} P_x &= \lim_{\tilde{T} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\tilde{T}} \int_{-\tilde{T}/2}^{\tilde{T}/2} |x(t)|^2 dt \\ &\leq \lim_{\tilde{T} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\tilde{T}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)|^2 dt \\ &= \lim_{\tilde{T} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{E_x}{\tilde{T}} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

- Power of an energy signal, P_x

$P_x \leq 0$ from above inequality

$P_x \geq 0$ since P_x is non-negative quantity

only possibility is that $P_x = 0$

i.e., power of an energy signal is zero.

Energy of a power signal

Now, look at the energy of a power signal,

If $x(t)$ is a power signal,

- Energy in a window of size $\tilde{T} \approx P_x \cdot \tilde{T}$ comes from $(P_x = \lim_{\tilde{T} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\text{energy in a window of size } \tilde{T}}{\tilde{T}})$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total energy} &= \lim_{\tilde{T} \rightarrow \infty} (\text{Energy in a window size } \tilde{T}) \\ &= \lim_{\tilde{T} \rightarrow \infty} P_x \cdot \tilde{T} = \infty \text{ as } P_x \text{ is constant, } \tilde{T} \text{ tends to inf.} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, energy of a power signal is ∞ .

What kind of signal is a power signal?

Periodic Signals:

$x(t)$ is periodic with time period, T

If $x(t) = x(t + kT) \quad \forall t, \forall k \in \mathbb{Z}$

- Shifting a signal $t +$ an integer value times T , and the signal remains unchanged — is a periodic signal
- Sinusoidal signals are periodic signals: $\sin(2\pi ft)$ is a periodic signal,
$$\sin(2\pi f(t + kT)) = \sin(2\pi ft + 2\pi kfT) = \sin(2\pi fT + k2\pi)$$
$$= \sin(2\pi ft)$$

where $fT=1$

T =fundamental period of the sinusoidal signal

Power of a periodic signal

Let, T = time period

$$P_x = \lim_{\tilde{T} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\tilde{T}} \int_{-\tilde{T}/2}^{\tilde{T}/2} |x(t)|^2 dt$$

If $\tilde{T} = mT$, naturally, as m tends to infinity, \tilde{T} tends to inf.

$$= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{mT} \underbrace{\int_{-mT/2}^{mT/2} |x(t)|^2 dt}_{\text{energy in } m \text{ periods}}$$

energy in m periods = m times energy in a single period, i.e.

$$= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{mT} m \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} |x(t)|^2 dt$$
$$P_x = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} |x(t)|^2 dt$$

- P_x is the power of the periodic signal, i.e., (energy in a single period T)/ T

Example

- $x(t) = A \cos(2\pi Ft)$, where $T=1/F$

$$\begin{aligned} P_x &= \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} A^2 \cos^2(2\pi Ft) dt = \frac{A^2}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} \frac{1 + \cos(4\pi Ft)}{2} \\ &= \frac{A^2}{T} \frac{1}{2} T + \frac{A^2}{T} \frac{1}{8\pi F} \left[\sin\left(\frac{4\pi FT}{2}\right) - \sin\left(4\pi F \left(-\frac{T}{2}\right)\right) \right] = \frac{A^2}{2} \end{aligned}$$

- Hence, power of $A \cos(2\pi Ft + \phi) = \frac{A^2}{2}$, does not depend on phase

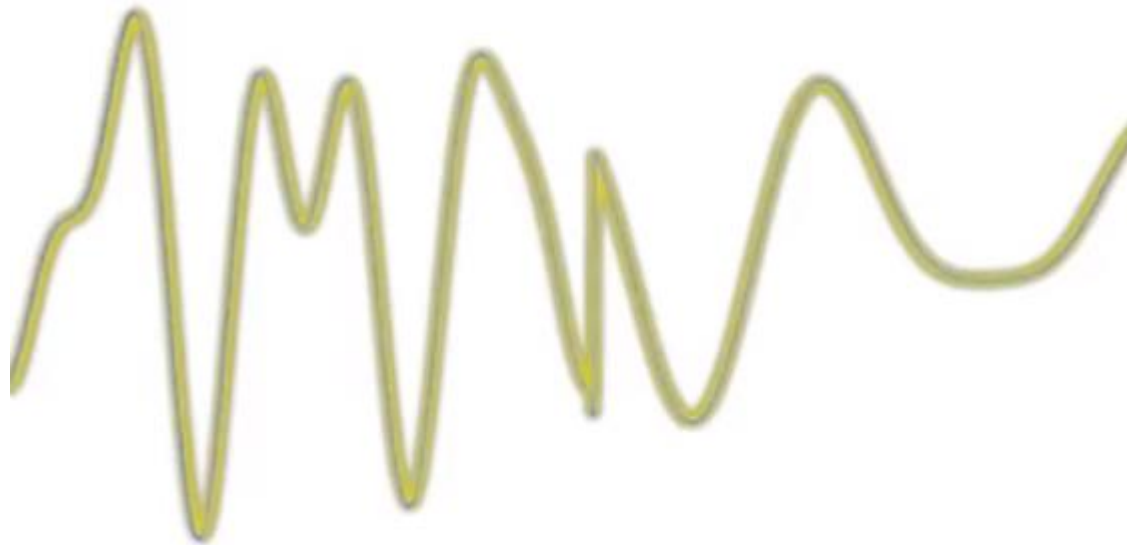
Frequency domain representation of signals

- One of the fundamental tools available for communication, also termed as the spectrum of the signal:
 - Fourier series (discrete in freq.)—define for periodic signals
 - Fourier Transform (continuous in freq.)—define for aperiodic continuous signals

What does Fourier's theory actually mean?

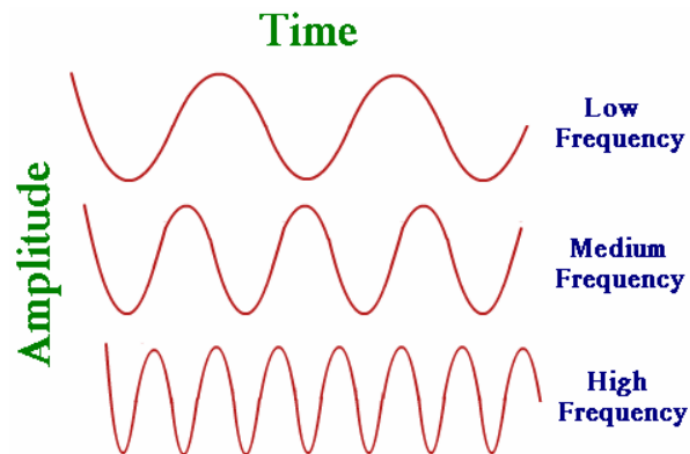
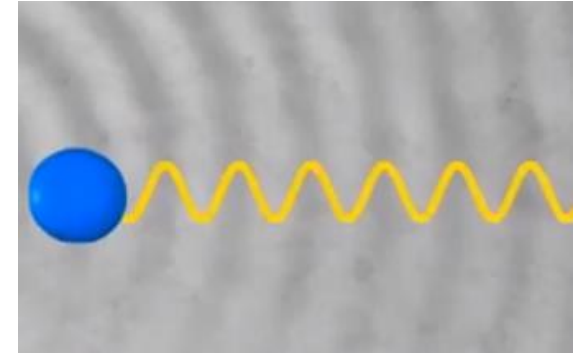
- “Any function of a variable, whether continuous or discontinuous, can be expanded in a series of sines of multiples of the variable.”

Joseph Fourier

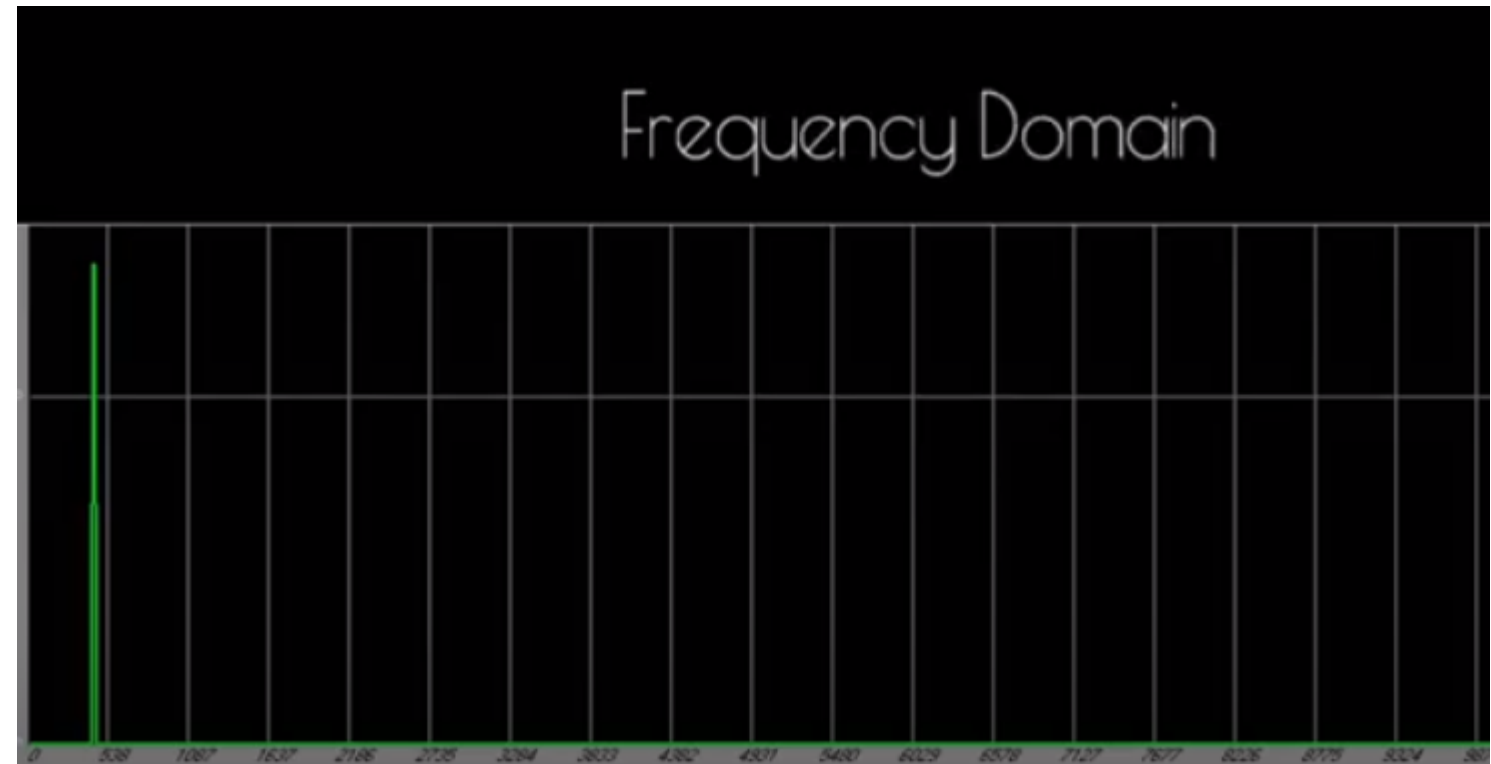
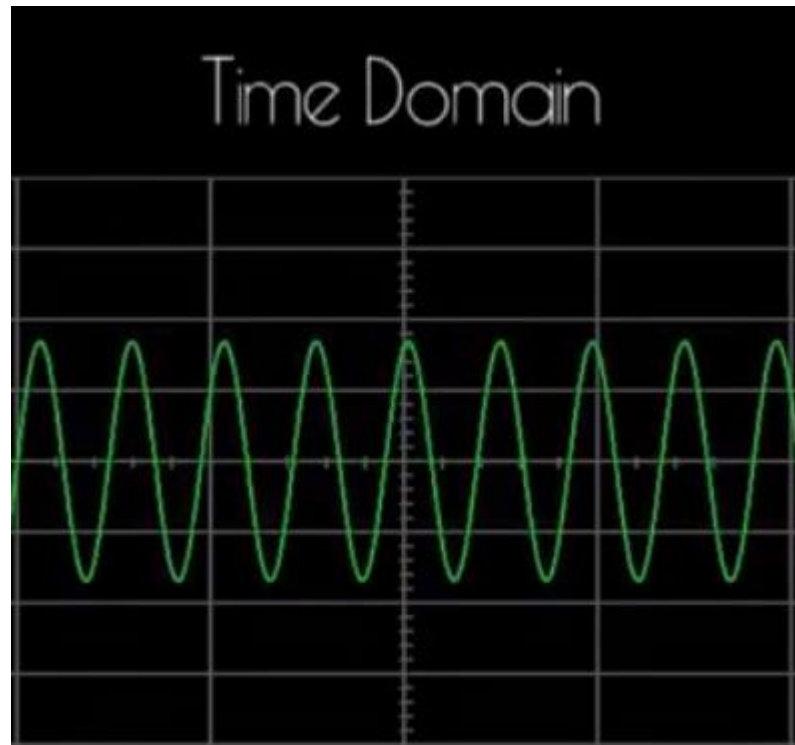


Example of sound signal:

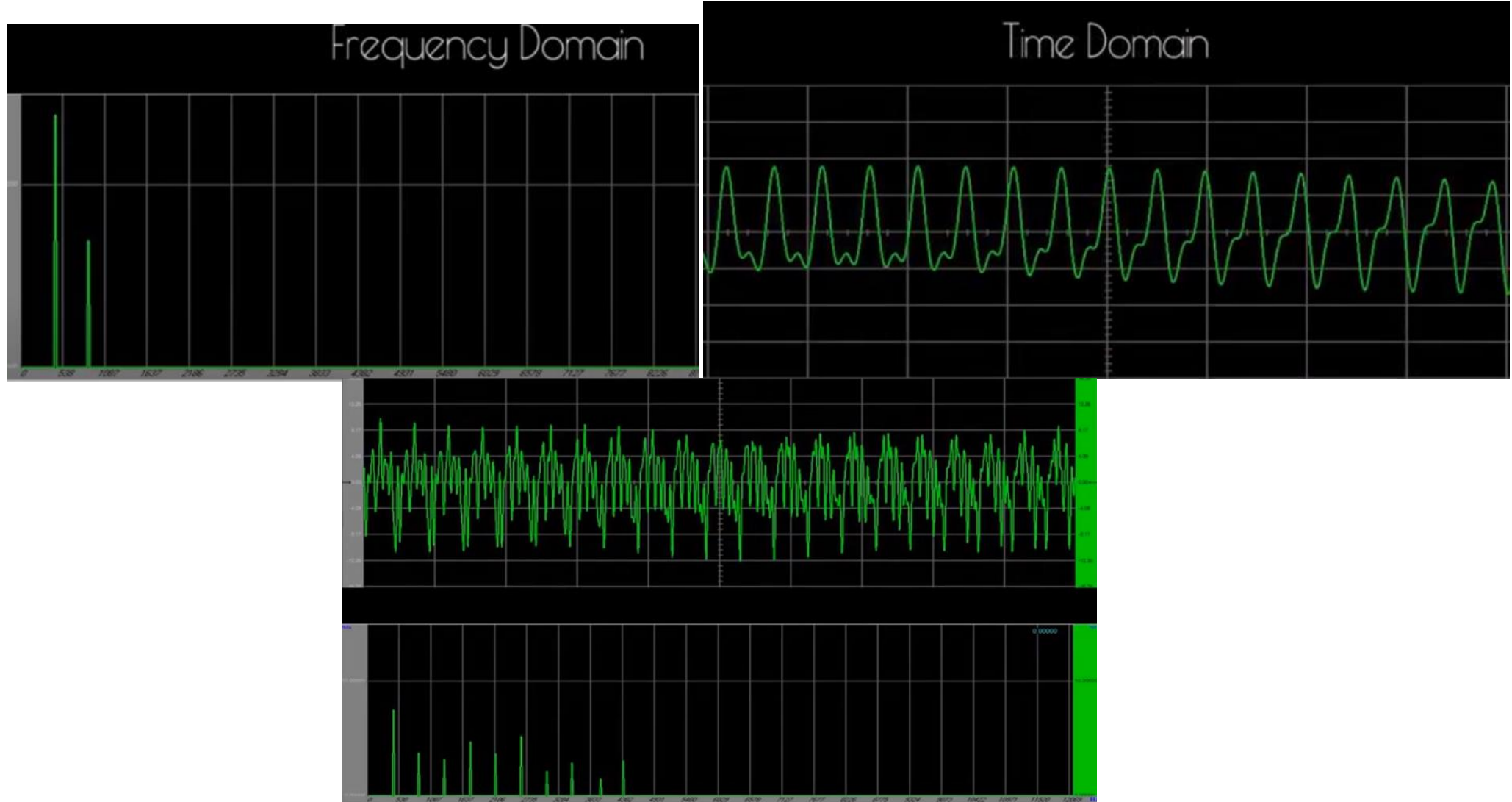
- Sine wave
- What properties of this sine wave can we change?
 - Amplitude or loudness
 - Frequency or pitch
 - Phase



Single sine wave:



Add another sine wave



- “Any function (sound signal) of a variable (time) can be expanded in a series of sines of multiples of that variable.”
- In other words, sound is actually a whole load of sine waves at different frequencies and amplitudes all added together.
- This series of sine waves is known as Fourier series.

Frequency domain representation of signals

Consider $x(t)$ to be a periodic signal with period T ,

Fourier series of $x(t)$ is given as:

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{j2\pi k F_o t}$$

where $F_o = \frac{1}{T}$ fundamental freq. of periodic signal $x(t)$, $e^{j2\pi k F_o t} = \cos 2\pi k F_o t + j \sin 2\pi k F_o t$ complex sinusoid, c_k = Kth discrete Fourier series coefficient or coefficient of the kth harmonic in the linear combination

Coefficients of Discrete Fourier Series (DFS):

$$\frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} x(t) e^{-j2\pi l F_o t} dt = c_l$$

lth coefficient of DFS

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} \left(\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{j2\pi k F_o t} \right) e^{-j2\pi l F_o t} dt \\ &= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k \underbrace{\frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} e^{j2\pi(k-l)F_o t} dt}_{\substack{\frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} e^{j2\pi(k-l)F_o t} dt}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} e^{j2\pi(k-l)F_o t} dt$$

- If $k = l$, $\frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} e^{j2\pi(k-l)F_o t} dt = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} 1 \cdot dt = \frac{1}{T} \cdot T = 1$

Coefficients of Discrete Fourier Series:

- If $k \neq l$, $\frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} e^{j2\pi(k-l)F_o t} dt = \frac{1}{T} \frac{1}{j2\pi(k-l)F_o} \underbrace{(e^{j\pi(k-l)} - e^{-j\pi(k-l)})}_{\text{Sinusoid evaluated at phase } \pi(k-l) \text{ \& } -\pi(k-l)}$

- The diff. between two phases is $2\pi(k-l)$ i.e., integer multiple of 2π , these two complex sinusoids are equal, hence the difference = 0

$$= \frac{1}{T} \frac{1}{j2\pi(k-l)F_o} (e^{j\pi(k-l)} - e^{-j\pi(k-l)}) = 0$$

Hence, $\frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} e^{j2\pi(k-l)F_o t} dt = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } k = l \\ 0 & \text{if } k \neq l \end{cases}$

Coefficients of Discrete Fourier Series:

Orthogonal property:

$$\frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} x(t)y^*(t)dt = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} e^{j2\pi k F_o t} (e^{j2\pi l F_o t})^* dt = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} x(t)e^{-j2\pi l F_o t} dt = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} e^{j2\pi(k-l)F_o t} dt = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k \cdot \delta(k-l)$$

Delta function $\delta(0) = 1$

$\delta(\text{any other integer } n) = 0$
if $n \neq 0$

Fourier Series for a periodic signal

- Example: Consider a periodic stream of pulse with width $d = T/4$ with amplitude A , and time period T .

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{j2\pi k F_0 t}$$

Also,

$$c_l = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} x(t) e^{-j2\pi l F_0 t} dt$$

Therefore, for the above particular signal,

$$c_l = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^{T/4} A e^{-j2\pi l F_0 t} dt$$

Fourier Series for a periodic signal

$$\text{If } l = 0, c_l = \frac{A}{T} \int_0^{T/4} 1 \cdot dt = \frac{A}{T} \frac{T}{4} = \frac{A}{4}$$

- This Fourier coefficient corresponding to $l = 0$, also known as DC coefficient corresponds to the 0 freq. Rest of them corresponds to $l \neq 0$ that are AC coefficients.

$$\text{If } l \neq 0, c_l = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^{T/4} A e^{-j2\pi l F_o t} dt = \frac{A}{T} \frac{e^{-j2\pi l F_o T/4} - 1}{-j2\pi l F_o} = \frac{A}{j2\pi l} (1 - e^{-j\pi l/2})$$

Taking $e^{-j\pi l/4}$ common,

$$= \frac{A}{j2\pi l} e^{-j\pi l/4} (e^{j\pi l/4} - e^{-j\pi l/4}) = \frac{A}{j2\pi l} e^{-\frac{j\pi l}{4}} (2j \sin\left(\frac{\pi l}{4}\right)) = \frac{A}{\pi l} e^{-\frac{j\pi l}{4}} \sin\frac{\pi l}{4}$$

Fourier Series for a periodic signal

$$c_l = \frac{A}{\pi l} \sin\left(\frac{\pi l}{4}\right) e^{-\frac{j\pi l}{4}}$$

Hence,

$$c_l = \begin{cases} \frac{A}{4}, & l = 0 \\ \frac{A}{\pi l} \sin\left(\frac{\pi l}{4}\right) e^{-\frac{j\pi l}{4}}, & l \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

For magnitude only,

$$|c_l| = \left| \frac{A}{\pi l} \sin\left(\frac{\pi l}{4}\right) e^{-\frac{j\pi l}{4}} \right| = \left| \frac{A}{\pi l} \sin\left(\frac{\pi l}{4}\right) \right| \text{ magnitude spectrum}$$

Power of a periodic signal

For a periodic signal $x(t)$, the power is defined as:

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

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{j2\pi k F_o t}$$

$$x^*(t) = \left(\sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} c_m e^{j2\pi m F_o t} \right)^* = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} c_m^* e^{-j2\pi m F_o t}$$

$$P = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} x(t) \cdot x^*(t) dt = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} \left(\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{j2\pi k F_o t} \right) \left(\sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} c_m^* e^{-j2\pi m F_o t} \right) dt$$

Power of a periodic signal

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k c_m^* e^{j2\pi(k-m)F_0 t} dt \\ &= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k c_m^* \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} e^{j2\pi(k-m)F_0 t} dt = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k c_m^* \delta(k - m) \end{aligned}$$

The only term in these double summation that will survive corresponding to $k = m$

Therefore, $c_k c_m^*$ will be $c_k c_k^*$ which is $|c_k|^2$

$$P = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k c_k^* = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_k|^2$$

Power of a periodic signal

$$\frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} |x(t)|^2 dt = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_k|^2$$

✓ $\frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} |x(t)|^2 dt$ power in time domain

✓ $\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_k|^2$ power in frequency domain, also known as the **Parseval's theorem**