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Discussion 1

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**Problem A. Review of complex number.** Consider a complex number with magnitude  $r > 0$  and phase  $\theta$ , which can be written in polar form as  $z = re^{i\theta}$ .

1. Express each of the following complex numbers in polar form

(a)  $z^*$  the complex conjugate of  $z$ .

(b)  $z^2$

(c)  $iz$

(d)  $zz^*$

(e)  $\frac{z}{z^*}$

(f)  $\frac{1}{z}$

2. Let  $r = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}$ . For each of your results in part 1, plot the corresponding vectors in the complex plane.

**Problem B. Review on delta function properties.** The discrete time and continuous time delta functions are defined as follows:

$$\delta[n] = \begin{cases} 1 & n = 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}.$$

$$(t - T) = 0, \text{ for } t \neq T$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - T) dt = 1$$

1.  $x[n]$  is a discrete time signal. Find an equivalent expression to  $x[n]\delta[n - T]$  where  $N \in \mathcal{Z}$ .

2. The derivative of unit step function  $\frac{du(t)}{dt}$  is delta function.

3. Express the Kronecker delta in terms of scaled and shifted unit steps.

4.  $x(t)$  is a continuous time signal. Find an equivalent expression for  $x(t)\delta(t - T)$  where  $T \in \mathcal{R}$ .

What is  $\int_{T-1}^{T+1} x(t)\delta(t - T)dt$ ?

**Problem C. Even and odd part of signal.** For a continuous time signal  $x(t)$ , derive the even part and odd part of the signal.

**Problem D. Properties of signals.** Determine whether or not each of the following continuous-time or discrete-time signal is periodic. If the signal is periodic, determine its fundamental period.

1.  $x(t) = [\cos(2t - \frac{\pi}{3})]^2$ .
2.  $\mathcal{E}v\{\cos(4\pi t)u(t)\}$ .
3.  $\mathcal{E}v\{\sin(4\pi t)u(t)\}$ .
4.  $x[n] = \cos(\frac{n}{8} - \pi)$ .
5.  $x[n] = 2\cos(\frac{\pi}{4}n) + \sin(\frac{\pi}{8}n) - 2\cos(\frac{\pi}{2}n + \frac{\pi}{6})$ .

**Problem E.** Consider a periodic signal

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

with period  $T = 2$ . The derivative of this signal is related to the "impulse train"

$$g(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - 2k)$$

with period  $T = 2$ . It can be shown that

$$\frac{dx(t)}{dt} = A_1 g(t - t_1) + A_2 g(t - t_2).$$

Determine the values of  $A_1$ ,  $t_1$ ,  $A_2$ , and  $t_2$ .

**Problem F.** Function drawing practice

1.  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \text{rect}(t - \tau) \text{rect}(\tau) d\tau$
2.  $\text{sinc}(x) = \frac{\sin \pi x}{\pi x}$  (note the locations of nodes)
3. Let  $x(t) = e^{2t}u(-t)$ ,  $h(t) = u(t - 3)$ . Plot  $y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau)h(t - \tau)d\tau$ .