# Signals and Spectra

Fourier transforms and continuous spectra

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#### **Fourier transforms**

Forward transform, analysis equation

$$X(\omega) = \mathbf{F}[x(t)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)e^{-j\omega t}dt$$

Inverse transform, synthesis equation

$$x(t) = \mathbf{F}^{-1}[X(\omega)] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(\omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega$$

Fourier transform pair

$$x(t) \longleftrightarrow X(\omega)$$

#### **Fourier transforms**

Sometimes it will be more convenient to express the Fourier transform of a signal in terms of the frequency f in Hz rather than the radian frequency  $\omega$  in rad/s.

$$X(f) = \mathbf{F}[x(t)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)e^{-j2\pi f t} dt$$

$$x(t) = \mathbf{F}^{-1}[X(f)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(f)e^{j2\pi f t} df$$

$$d\omega = 2\pi df$$

## Frequency spectra

$$X(\omega) = \mathbf{F}\left[x(t)\right] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)e^{-j\omega t}dt$$

In general, the Fourier transform  $X(\omega)$  is a complex function of angular velocity  $\omega$ 

$$X(\omega) = |X(\omega)|e^{j\theta(\omega)}$$

 $|X(\omega)|$  is called the *continuous amplitude spectrum* of x(t)

 $\theta(\omega)$  is called the *continuous phase spectrum* of x(t)

If x(t) is a real function of time, then

$$X(-\omega) = X^*(\omega) = |X(\omega)|e^{-j\theta(\omega)}$$

$$|X(-\omega)| = |X(\omega)|$$
  $\theta(-\omega) = -\theta(\omega)$ 

an even function of  $\omega$ 

an odd function of  $\omega$ 

## **Energy content of a signal**

The normalized energy content E of a signal x(t)

$$\boldsymbol{E} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| x(t) \right|^2 dt$$

If E is finite, then x(t) is called an *energy signal*.

For example,  $x(t) = Ae^{-a|t|}$  is an energy signal.

If E is infinite, we define the normalized average power P

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

If P is finite, then x(t) is referred as a *power signal*.

For example,  $x(t) = A \sin(\omega t)$  is a power signal.

A periodic signal is a power signal if its energy per period is finite.

#### Parseval's theorem

If x(t) is an energy signal, then

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)|^2 dt = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |X(\omega)|^2 d\omega$$

## **Basic properties of Fourier transform**

Linearity: 
$$a_1x_1(t) + a_2x_2(t) \leftrightarrow a_1X_1(\omega) + a_2X_2(\omega)$$

Time Shifting: 
$$x(t-t_0) \leftrightarrow X(\omega)e^{-j\omega t_0}$$

Frequency Shifting: 
$$x(t)e^{j\omega_0 t} \leftrightarrow X(\omega - \omega_0)$$

Scaling: 
$$x(at) \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{|a|} X\left(\frac{\omega}{a}\right)$$

Time-Reversal: 
$$x(-t) \leftrightarrow X(-\omega)$$

Duality: 
$$X(t) \leftrightarrow 2\pi x(-\omega)$$

## Derivations of some properties of Fourier transform

Frequency Shifting:  $x(t)e^{j\omega_0 t} \leftrightarrow X(\omega - \omega_0)$ 

$$\mathsf{F}\left[x(t)\,e^{j\omega_0t}\,\right] = \int_0^\infty x(t)e^{-j(\omega-\omega_0)t}dt = X(\omega-\omega_0)$$

$$x(-t) \leftrightarrow X(-\omega)$$

Time-Reversal: 
$$x(-t) \leftrightarrow X(-\omega)$$
  

$$F[x(-t)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(-t)e^{-j\omega t} dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\lambda)e^{j\omega\lambda} d\lambda = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\lambda)e^{-j(-\omega)\lambda} d\lambda$$

$$= X(-\omega)$$

If x(t) is **real**, then  $X(-\omega) = X^*(\omega)$ 

$$X^*(\omega) = \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt\right)^* = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^*(t) e^{j\omega t} dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{j\omega t} dt = X(-\omega)$$

## Derivations of some properties of Fourier transform

**Duality**: 
$$X(t) \leftrightarrow 2\pi x(-\omega)$$

$$\mathsf{F}^{-1}[X(\omega)] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(\omega) e^{j\omega t} dt = x(t)$$

$$\int_{0}^{\infty} X(\omega)e^{j\omega t}dt = 2\pi x(t)$$

$$t \to -t \implies \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(\omega) e^{-j\omega t} dt = 2\pi x(-t)$$

$$t \leftrightarrow \omega \implies \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(t)e^{-j\omega t}dt = 2\pi x(-\omega)$$

## **Properties of Fourier transform**

**Differentiation:** 
$$x'(t) = \frac{d}{dt}x(t) \leftrightarrow j\omega X(\omega)$$

Integration: 
$$\int_{-\infty}^{t} x(\tau) d\tau \leftrightarrow \pi X(0) \delta(\omega) + \frac{1}{j\omega} X(\omega)$$

Convolution: 
$$x(t) = x_1(t) * x_2(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_1(\tau) x_2(t-\tau) d\tau$$

$$x_1(t) * x_2(t) \longleftrightarrow X_1(\omega) X_2(\omega)$$

Multiplication: 
$$x_1(t)x_2(t) \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi} X_1(\omega) * X_2(\omega)$$

#### Fourier transform and differentiation

**Differentiation:** 
$$x'(t) = \frac{d}{dt}x(t) \leftrightarrow j\omega X(\omega)$$

$$x(t) = \mathbf{F}^{-1}[X(\omega)] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(\omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega$$

$$\frac{dx(t)}{dt} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{d}{dt} \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(\omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega \right) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} j\omega X(\omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega$$

Now we can solve differential equations by applying the Fourier transform and solving the corresponding algebraic equations.

## Fourier transform and integration

Integration: 
$$\int_{-\infty}^{t} x(\tau)d\tau \leftrightarrow \pi X(0)\delta(\omega) + \frac{1}{j\omega}X(\omega)$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{t} x(\tau)d\tau = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u(t-\tau)x(\tau)d\tau = x(t)*u(t) \quad \text{where} \quad u(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & t \ge 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$u(t) \stackrel{\mathsf{F}}{\longleftrightarrow} \pi \, \delta(\omega) + \frac{1}{j\omega}$$

$$x(t)*u(t) \leftrightarrow X(\omega) \left(\pi \delta(\omega) + \frac{1}{j\omega}\right) = \pi X(0)\delta(\omega) + \frac{1}{j\omega}X(\omega)$$

$$\mathsf{F}\left[u(t)\right] = \pi \,\delta(\omega) + \frac{1}{i\omega} \quad \text{How to prove it ?}$$

## Fourier transform of step function

Unit step function 
$$u(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & t \ge 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases}$$
  $\mathbf{F} \left[ u(t) \right] = \pi \, \delta(\omega) + \frac{1}{j\omega}$  ?

$$g_a(t) = \begin{cases} e^{-at} & t \ge 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases} \quad a > 0 \quad g_a(t) \xrightarrow{a \to 0} u(t)$$

$$\mathbf{F}\left[g_{a}(t)\right] = \frac{1}{a+j\omega} = \frac{a-j\omega}{a^{2}+\omega^{2}} = \frac{a}{a^{2}+\omega^{2}} - j\frac{\omega}{a^{2}+\omega^{2}}$$

$$\frac{a}{a^{2}+\omega^{2}} \xrightarrow{a\to 0} \pi \delta(\omega) \qquad -j\frac{\omega}{a^{2}+\omega^{2}} \xrightarrow{a\to 0} \frac{1}{j\omega}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\omega}{1+\omega^{2}} = \arctan \omega \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty} = \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\pi}{2} = \pi$$

## Fourier transforms of step and signum functions

$$u(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & t \ge 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases} \qquad \text{F} \left[ u(t) \right] = \pi \, \delta(\omega) + \frac{1}{j\omega} ?$$

$$u(t) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{sgn}(t) \qquad \operatorname{sgn}(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & t \ge 0 \\ -1 & t < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{F} \left[ u(t) \right] = \frac{1}{2} \, \text{F} \left[ 1 \right] + \frac{1}{2} \, \text{F} \left[ \operatorname{sgn}(t) \right] \qquad \text{Differentiation property of FT}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}sgn(t) = 2\delta(t) \leftrightarrow 2 = j\omega F[sgn(t)]$$
Differentiation property of F

$$F[sgn(t)] = rac{2}{j\omega}$$
 Duality property of FT applied to  $\delta(t)$   $F^{-1}[\delta(\omega)] = rac{1}{2\pi} \Longrightarrow F[1] = 2\pi\delta(\omega) \Longrightarrow rac{1}{2}F[1] = \pi\delta(\omega)$ 

Therefore  $F[u(t)] = \pi \delta(\omega) + \frac{1}{j\omega}$ 

#### Fourier transform and convolution

Convolution: 
$$x_1(t) * x_2(t) \longleftrightarrow X_1(\omega) X_2(\omega)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\mathsf{F}\left[x_{1}(t) * x_{2}(t)\right] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[x_{1}(t) * x_{2}(t)\right] e^{-j\omega t} d\tau \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_{1}(\tau) x_{2}(t-\tau) d\tau\right] e^{-j\omega t} d\tau \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_{1}(\tau) \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_{2}(t-\tau) e^{-j\omega t} d\tau\right] d\tau = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_{1}(\tau) X_{2}(\omega) e^{-j\omega \tau} d\tau
\end{aligned}$$

$$= \int_{0}^{\infty} x_{1}(\tau) e^{-j\omega\tau} d\tau X_{2}(\omega) = X_{1}(\omega) X_{2}(\omega)$$

#### **Applications of Convolution Theorem**

$$x_1(t) * x_2(t) \longleftrightarrow X_1(\omega) X_2(\omega)$$

$$g(x, y) = f(x, y) * h(x, y)$$

blurred original image

$$\mathsf{F}^{-1} \left[ \frac{G(u,v)}{H(u,v)} \right]$$

$$G(u,v) = F [g(x,y)]$$

$$F(u,v) = F [f(x,y)]$$

$$H(u,v) = F [h(x,y)]$$

$$G(u,v) = F(u,v)H(u,v)$$
$$F(u,v) = G(u,v)/H(u,v)$$

g = Blurred and Noisy





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#### Parseval's theorem

If x(t) is an then

If 
$$x(t)$$
 is an energy signal, then
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)|^2 dt = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |X(\omega)|^2 d\omega$$

We prove it assuming that x(t) is real

**Proof.** Let us prove a stronger statement. Namely, let us show that if

$$x_1(t) \leftrightarrow X_1(\omega)$$
 and  $x_2(t) \leftrightarrow X_2(\omega)$ 

then 
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_1(t) x_2(t) dt = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X_1(\omega) X_2(-\omega) d\omega$$

#### Parseval's theorem

Indeed 
$$F[x_1(t) x_2(t)] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X_1(\lambda) X_2(\omega - \lambda) d\lambda$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ x_1(t) x_2(t) \right] e^{-j\omega t} dt = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X_1(\lambda) X_2(\omega - \lambda) d\lambda$$

Setting 
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [x_1(t) x_2(t)] dt = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X_1(\lambda) X_2(-\lambda) d\lambda$$
 yields

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_1(t) \leftrightarrow X_1(\omega) \quad \text{and} \quad x_2(t) \leftrightarrow X_2(\omega)$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_1(t) x_2(t) dt = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X_1(\omega) X_2(-\omega) d\omega$$

If 
$$x(t)$$
 is **real**, then  $X(-\omega) = X^*(\omega)$ 

$$x_1(t) = x(t)$$
 and  $x_2(t) = x^*(t) = x(t) \leftrightarrow X(\omega)$ 

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)|^2 dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_1(t) x_2(t) dt = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(\omega) X(-\omega) d\omega$$

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In the general case,  $x^*(t) \longleftrightarrow X^*(-\omega)$ 

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_1(t) x_2^*(t) dt = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X_1(\omega) X_2^*(\omega) d\omega$$

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$$X^* \left(-\omega\right) = \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{j\omega t} dt\right)^* = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^*(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt = \mathsf{F}\left[x^*(t)\right]$$

# Impulse function (Dirac delta function)

$$\delta(t): \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t) \varphi(t) dt = \varphi(0)$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(t) \delta(t - t_0) dt = \varphi(t_0)$$

$$x(t) \delta(t - t_0) = x(t_0) \delta(t - t_0)$$

$$\delta(at) = \frac{1}{|a|} \delta(t)$$

$$\delta(-t) = \delta(t)$$

$$x(t) * \delta(t - t_0) = x(t - t_0)$$

# Impulse function (Dirac delta function)

$$F\left[\delta(t)\right] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t)e^{-j\omega t}dt = 1 \qquad \delta(t) \xrightarrow{F} 1$$

$$x(t) = F^{-1}[X(\omega)] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(\omega)e^{j\omega t}dt$$

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Find the Fourier transform of the signal

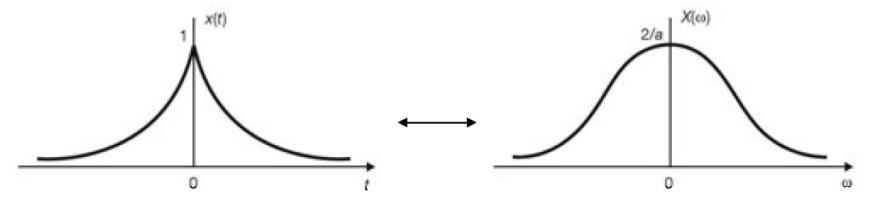
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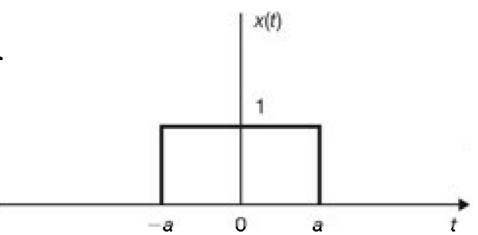
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$$X(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt = \int_{-\infty}^{0} e^{at} e^{-j\omega t} dt + \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-at} e^{-j\omega t} dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{a - j\omega} + \frac{1}{a + j\omega} = \frac{2a}{a^2 + \omega^2}$$



Find the Fourier transform of the rectangular pulse signal



Find the Fourier transform of the rectangular pulse signal

$$x(t) = p_a(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & |t| < a \\ 0 & |t| > a \end{cases}$$

$$X(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt = \int_{-a}^{a} e^{-j\omega t} dt = \frac{1}{j\omega} \left( e^{j\omega a} - e^{-j\omega a} \right) = 2a \frac{\sin(\omega a)}{\omega a}$$

