

Problem 2.32

(a) The integrator output is

$$y(t) = \int_{t-T}^t x(\tau) d\tau$$

Let $x(t) \Leftrightarrow X(f)$; then

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

Therefore,

$$y(t) = \int_{t-T}^t \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(f) \exp(j2\pi f\tau) df \right] d\tau$$

Interchanging the order of integration:

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(f) \left[\int_{t-T}^t \exp(j2\pi f\tau) d\tau \right] df \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [TX(f) \operatorname{sinc}(fT) \exp(-j\pi fT)] \exp(j2\pi ft) df \end{aligned}$$

The Fourier transform of the integrator output is therefore

$$Y(f) = TX(f) \operatorname{sinc}(fT) \exp(-j\pi fT) \quad (1)$$

Equation (1) shows that $y(t)$ can be obtained by passing the input signal $x(t)$ through a linear filter whose transfer function is equal to $T\operatorname{sinc}(fT)\exp(-j\pi fT)$.

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(b) The amplitude response of this filter is shown in Fig. 1:

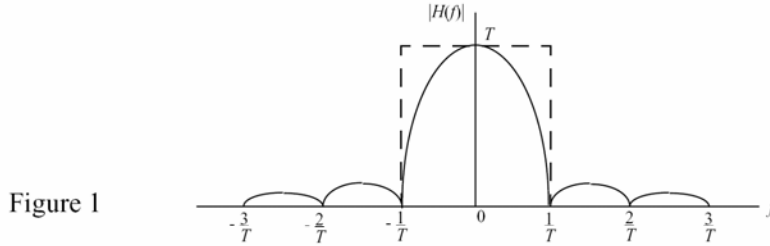


Figure 1

The approximation with an ideal low-pass filter of bandwidth $1/T$, gain T , and delay $T/2$, is shown dashed in Fig. 1. The response of this ideal filter to a unit step function applied at $t = 0$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_{\text{ideal}}(t) &= \frac{T}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\frac{2\pi}{T}(t - \frac{T}{2})} \frac{\sin \lambda}{\lambda} d\lambda \\
 \text{At time } t = T, \text{ we therefore have} \\
 y_{\text{ideal}}(t) &= \frac{T}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\pi} \frac{\sin \lambda}{\lambda} d\lambda \\
 &= \frac{T}{\pi} \left[\int_{-\infty}^0 \frac{\sin \lambda}{\lambda} d\lambda + \int_0^{\pi} \frac{\sin \lambda}{\lambda} d\lambda \right] \\
 &= \frac{T}{\pi} [\text{Si}(\infty) + \text{Si}(\pi)] \\
 &= \frac{T}{\pi} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} + 1.85 \right) \\
 &= 1.09T
 \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

On the other hand, the output of the ideal integrator to a unit step function, evaluated at time $t = T$, is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 y(T) &= \int_0^T u(\tau) d\tau \\
 &= T
 \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

Thus, comparing Eqs. (2) and (3) we see that the ideal low-pass filter output exceeds the ideal integrator output by only nine percent for $T = 1$.