
Wavenumber-Frequency Space

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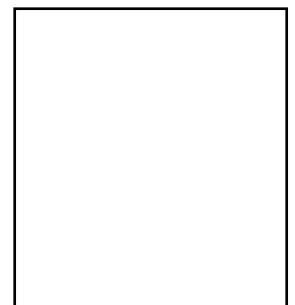
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Where We Are in J&D

- Material drawn from Sec. 2.5
- For now, we will skip Sec. 2.6 on random space-time fields (but we will come back to those ideas later)



Different Definitions of FT Pairs

- **Engineer's style:**

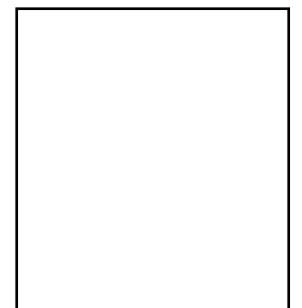
$$S^{eng}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} s(t) \exp(-j\omega t) dt$$

$$s(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S^{eng}(\omega) \exp(j\omega t) d\omega$$

- **Mathematician's style:**

$$S^{math}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} s(t) \exp(+j\omega t) dt$$

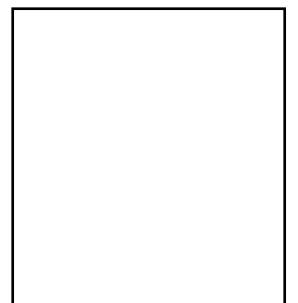
$$s(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S^{math}(\omega) \exp(-j\omega t) d\omega$$



Adapting an Engineer's FT Table

$$\begin{aligned} S^{math}(\omega) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} s(t) \exp(+j\omega t) dt \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} s(t) \exp[-j(-\omega)t] dt = S^{eng}(-\omega) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} s(t) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S^{math}(\omega) \exp(-j\omega t) d\omega \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S^{math}(\omega) \exp[j\omega(-t)] d\omega \\ &= F_{eng}^{-1}\{S^{math}\}(-t) \end{aligned}$$



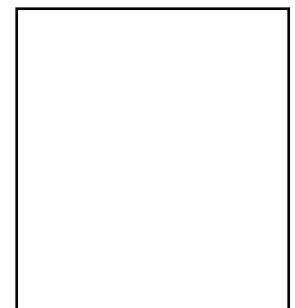
Fourier Transforms of a Delta Function

- **Engineer's style:**

$$\begin{aligned} S(\omega) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t) \exp(-j\omega t) dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t) \exp(-j\omega 0) dt \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t) dt = 1 \end{aligned}$$

- **Mathematician's style:**

$$S(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t) \exp(+j\omega t) dt = 1$$



Inverse FT of a Delta Function

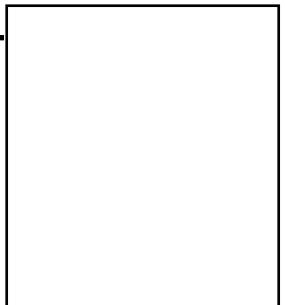
- **Engineer's style (works for math style too):**

$$s(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(\omega) \exp(j\omega t) d\omega$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(\omega) \exp(j0t) d\omega = \frac{1}{2\pi}$$

$$1 \xrightarrow{F} 2\pi\delta(\omega)$$

From previous slide: $\delta(t) \xrightarrow{F} 1$



Time Shift Property: Engineer's Style

- **Engineer's style:**

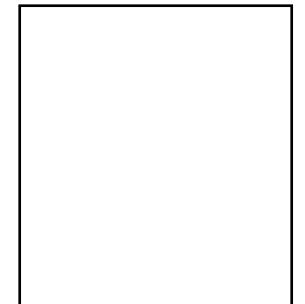
$$S_{timesh}^{eng}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} s(t - t_0) \exp(-j\omega t) dt$$

substitute $\tilde{t} = t - t_0$, $t = \tilde{t} + t_0$

$$S_{timesh}^{eng}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} s(\tilde{t}) \exp[-j\omega(\tilde{t} + t_0)] dt$$

$$= \exp(-j\omega t_0) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} s(\tilde{t}) \exp(-j\omega \tilde{t}) d\tilde{t}$$

$$= \exp(-j\omega t_0) S^{eng}(\omega)$$



Time Shift Prop.: Mathematician's Style

- **Mathematician's style:**

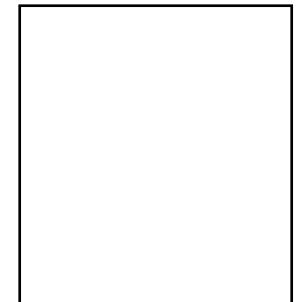
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Freq. Shift Property: Engineer's Style

- **Engineer's style:**

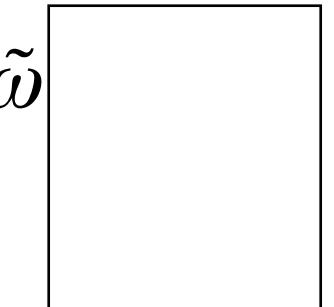
$$s_{freqsh}(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S^{eng}(\omega - \omega_0) \exp(j\omega t) d\omega$$

substitute $\tilde{\omega} = \omega - \omega_0$, $\omega = \tilde{\omega} + \omega_0$

$$s_{freqsh}(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S^{eng}(\tilde{\omega}) \exp[j(\tilde{\omega} + \omega_0)t] d\omega$$

$$= \exp(j\omega_0 t) \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S^{eng}(\tilde{\omega}) \exp(j\tilde{\omega}t) d\tilde{\omega}$$

$$= \exp(j\omega_0 t) s(t)$$



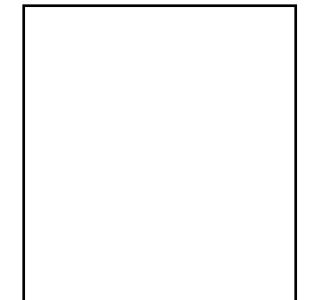
Freq. Shift Prop.: Mathematician's Style

- **Mathematician's style:**

$$s_{freqsh}(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S^{math}(\omega - \omega_0) \exp(-j\omega t) d\omega$$

substitute $\tilde{\omega} = \omega - \omega_0$, $\omega = \tilde{\omega} + \omega_0$

$$\begin{aligned} s_{freqsh}(t) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S^{math}(\tilde{\omega}) \exp[-j(\tilde{\omega} + \omega_0)t] d\omega \\ &= \exp(-j\omega_0 t) \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S^{math}(\tilde{\omega}) \exp(-j\tilde{\omega}t) d\tilde{\omega} \\ &= \exp(-j\omega_0 t) s(t) \end{aligned}$$



Quick Proofs of Math-Style Shift Props.

- **Time shift:**

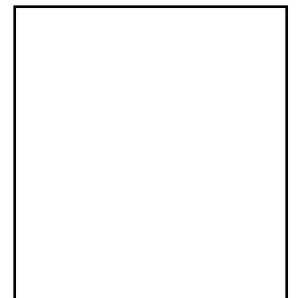
$$s(t - t_0) \stackrel{Feng}{\Leftrightarrow} \exp(-j\omega t_0) S^{eng}(\omega)$$

$$\begin{aligned} s(t - t_0) &\stackrel{Fmath}{\Leftrightarrow} \exp(+j\omega t_0) S^{eng}(-\omega) \\ &= \exp(+j\omega t_0) S^{math}(\omega) \end{aligned}$$

- **Frequency shift:**

$$\exp(-j\omega_0 t) s(t) \stackrel{Feng}{\Leftrightarrow} S^{eng}(\omega + \omega_0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \exp(-j\omega_0 t) s(t) &\stackrel{Fmath}{\Leftrightarrow} S^{eng}(-\omega + \omega_0) \\ &= S^{math}(\omega - \omega_0) \end{aligned}$$



Special Case: Deltas and Constants

- Engineer's style:

$$\delta \xrightarrow{Feng} s(t - t_0) \Leftrightarrow \exp(-j\omega t_0) S^{eng}(\omega)$$

$$\exp(j\omega_0 t) s(t) \xrightarrow{Feng} S^{eng}(\omega - \omega_0) - 2\pi\delta$$

- Mathematician's style:

$$\delta \xrightarrow{Fmath} s(t - t_0) \Leftrightarrow \exp(+j\omega t_0) S^{math}(\omega)$$

$$\exp(-j\omega_0 t) s(t) \xrightarrow{Fmath} S^{math}(\omega - \omega_0) - 2\pi\delta$$



Transforms of Delta Functions

- Engineer's style:

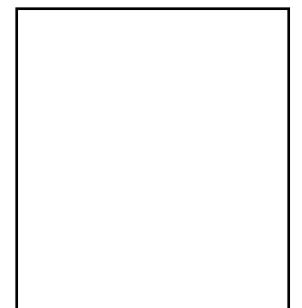
$$\delta(t - t_0) \xleftrightarrow{Feng} \exp(-j\omega t_0)$$

$$\exp(j\omega_0 t) \xleftrightarrow{Feng} 2\pi\delta(\omega - \omega_0)$$

- Mathematician's style:

$$\delta(t - t_0) \xleftrightarrow{Fmath} \exp(+j\omega t_0)$$

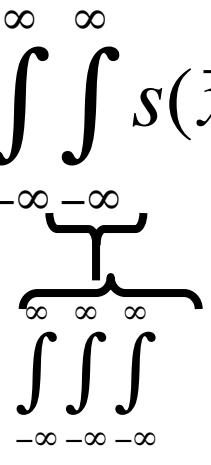
$$\exp(-j\omega_0 t) \xleftrightarrow{Fmath} 2\pi\delta(\omega - \omega_0)$$



Space-Time FT Pair

- A 4-D S-T Fourier transform

$$S(\vec{k}, \omega) = \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} s(\vec{x}, t) \exp\left\{-j(\omega t - \vec{k} \cdot \vec{x})\right\} d\vec{x} dt$$

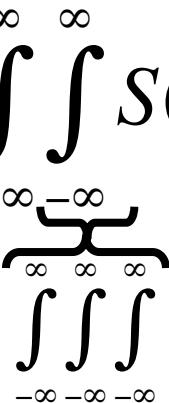


“Engineer’s style”
in time

“Mathematician’s style”
in space

- A 4-D S-T Inverse Fourier transform

$$s(\vec{x}, t) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^4} \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} S(\vec{k}, \omega) \exp\left\{j(\omega t - \vec{k} \cdot \vec{x})\right\} d\vec{k} d\omega$$

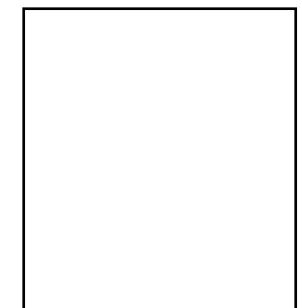




Take Home Message

- Just like “any” 1-D function can be written as a weighted integral of complex exponentials $\exp(j\omega t)$...
- ... “any” space-time signal - even nonpropagating ones! - can be written as a weighted integral of propagating plane waves

$$\exp[j(\omega t - \vec{k} \cdot \vec{x})]$$



Monochromatic Plane Wave

- What's the 4-D S-T FT of

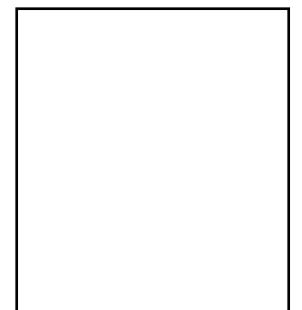
$$s(\vec{x}, t) = \exp\left\{j\left(\omega_0 t - \vec{k}^0 \cdot \vec{x}\right)\right\}$$

$$S(\vec{k}, \omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} s(\vec{x}, t) \exp\left\{-j\left(\omega t - \vec{k} \cdot \vec{x}\right)\right\} d\vec{x} dt$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(j\omega_0 t) \exp(-j\omega t) \exp(-j\vec{k}^0 \cdot \vec{x}) \exp(j\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x}) d\vec{x} dt$$

$$= (2\pi)^4 \delta(\vec{k} - \vec{k}^0) \delta(\omega - \omega_0) \leftarrow \text{A point in wavenumber-frequency space}$$

where $\delta(\vec{v}) \equiv \delta(v_x) \delta(v_y) \delta(v_z)$



General Plane Wave

- What's the 4-D S-T FT of

$$ss(\vec{x}, t) = s(t - \vec{\alpha}^0 \cdot \vec{x})$$

Notation borrowed from Chris Barnes

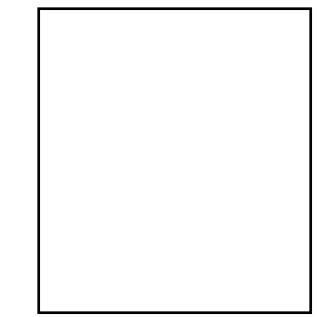
- Take Eng. FT in time domain first:

$$sS(\vec{x}, \omega) = S(\omega) \exp(-j\omega \vec{\alpha}^0 \cdot \vec{x})$$

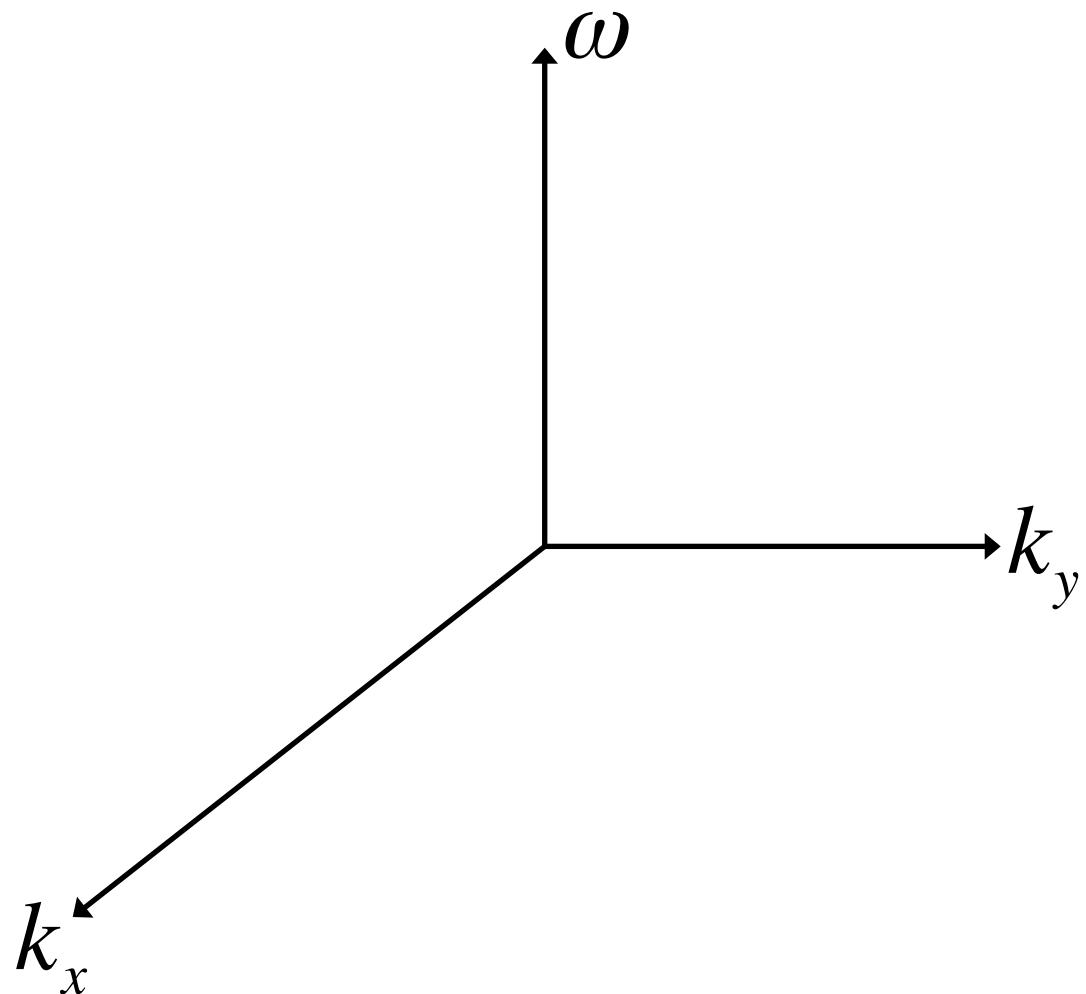
- Then Math. FT in spatial domain:

$$SS(\vec{k}, \omega) = S(\omega) (2\pi)^3 \delta(\vec{k} - \omega \vec{\alpha}^0)$$

A line in wavenumber-frequency space



Axes for Showing S-T Fourier Support

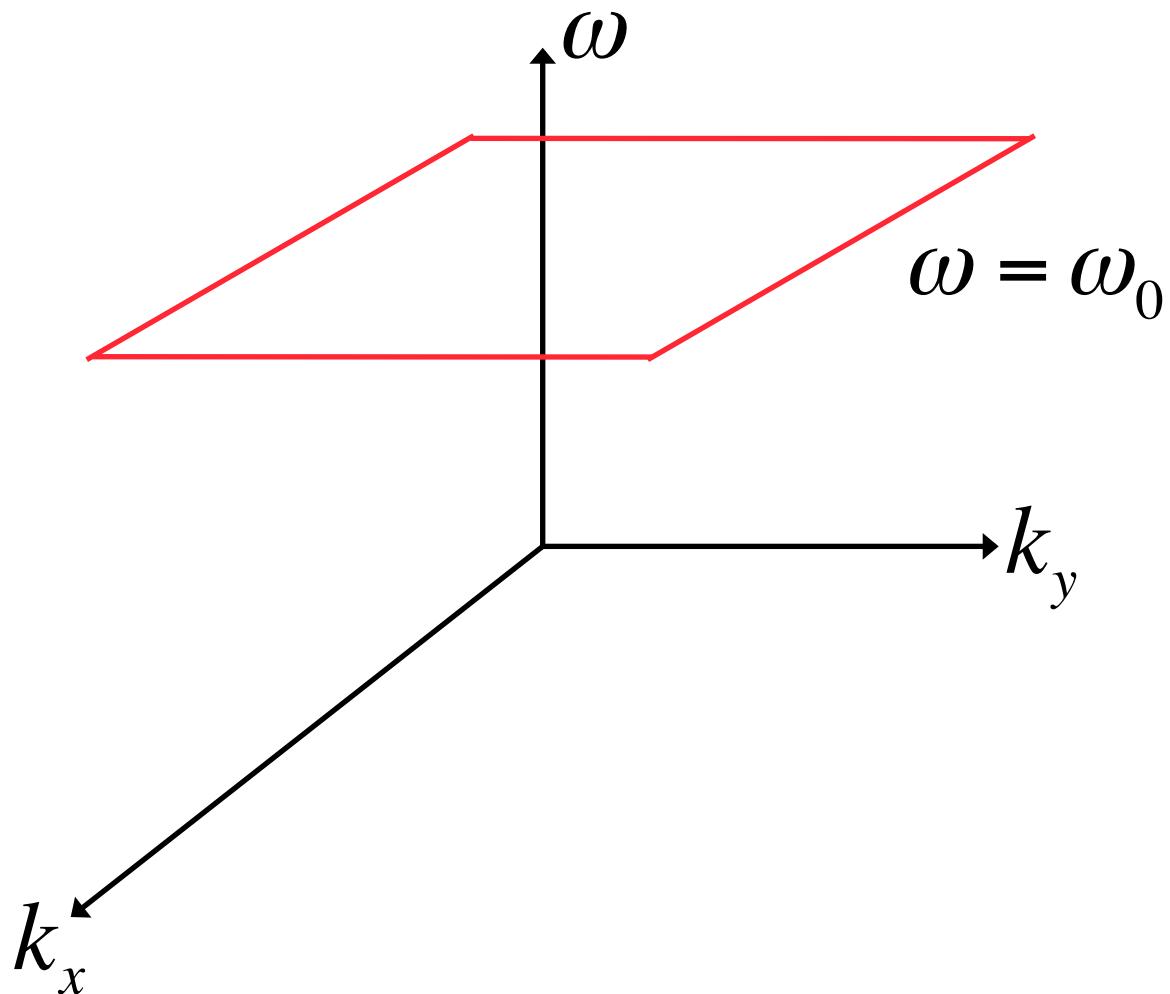


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Narrowband, Nonpropagating S-T Signal

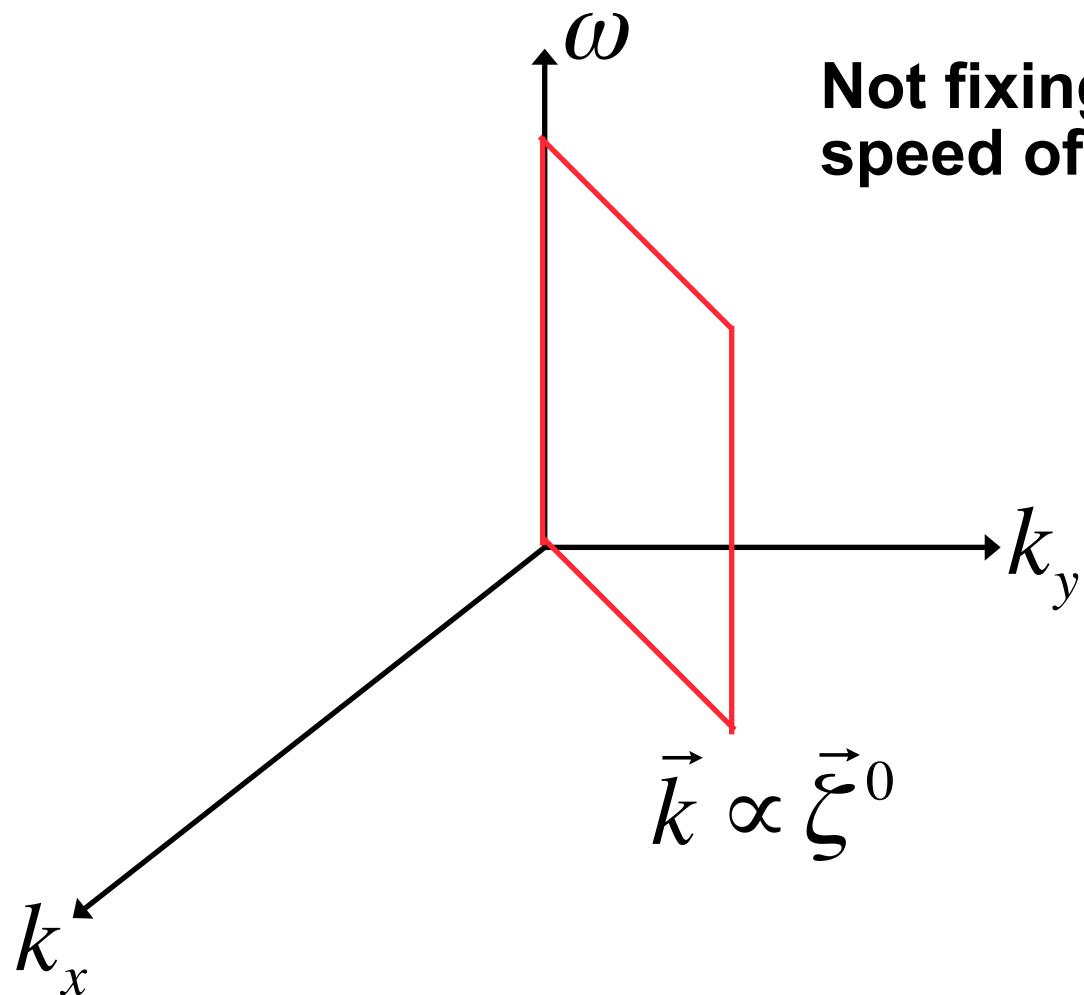


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Wideband, Directional S-T Signal

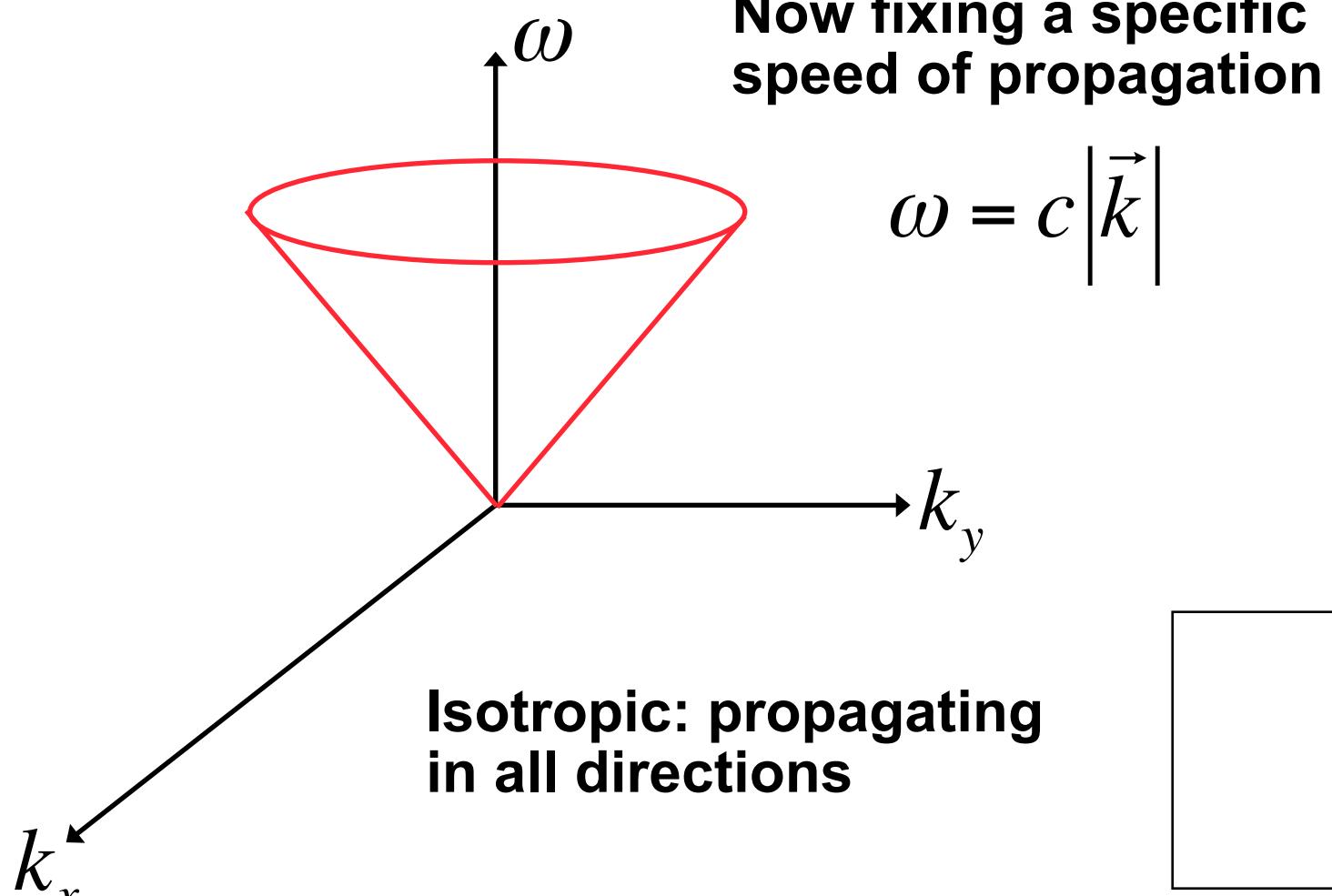


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Wideband, Iso., Fixed-Speed S-T Signal

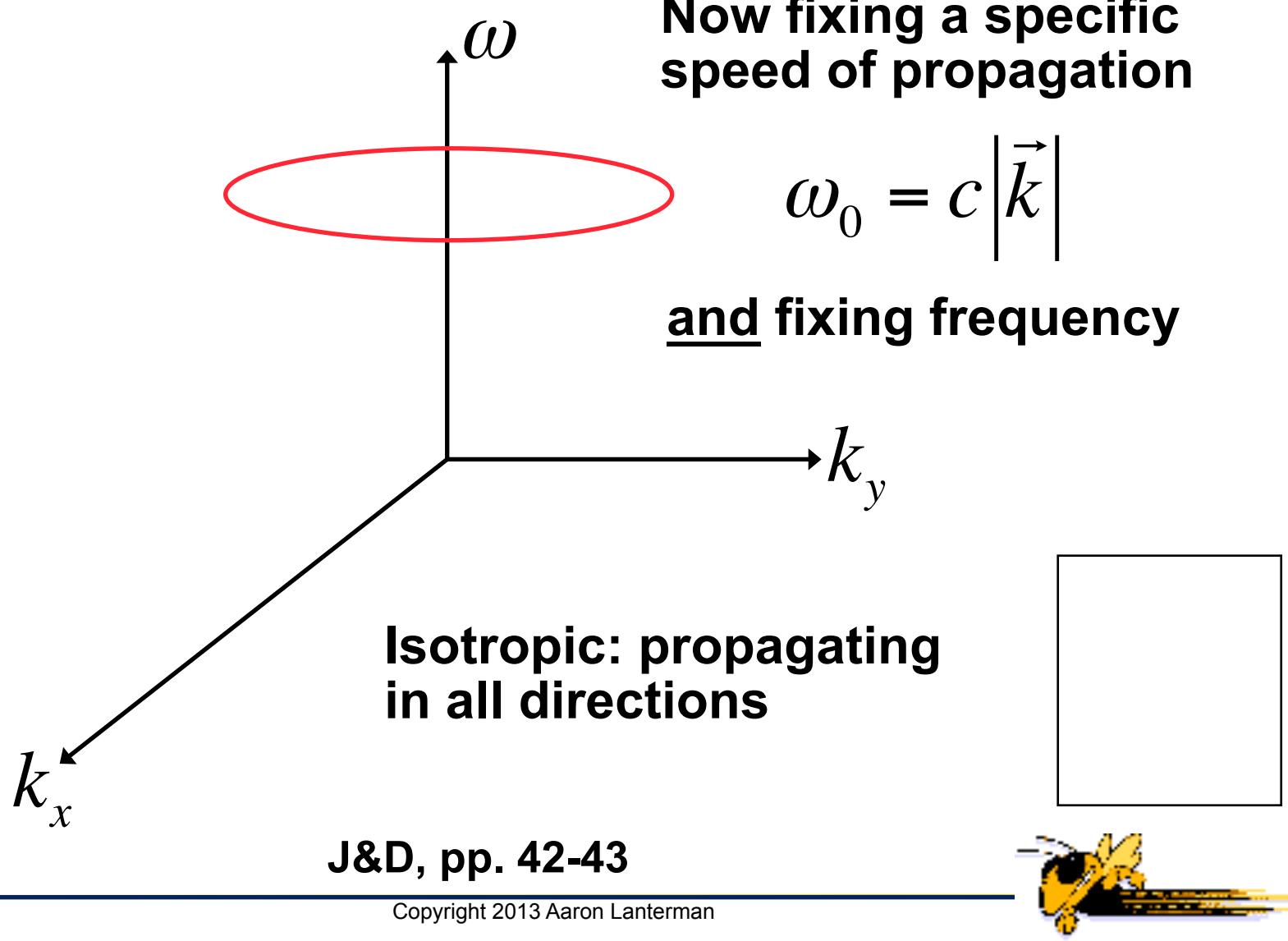


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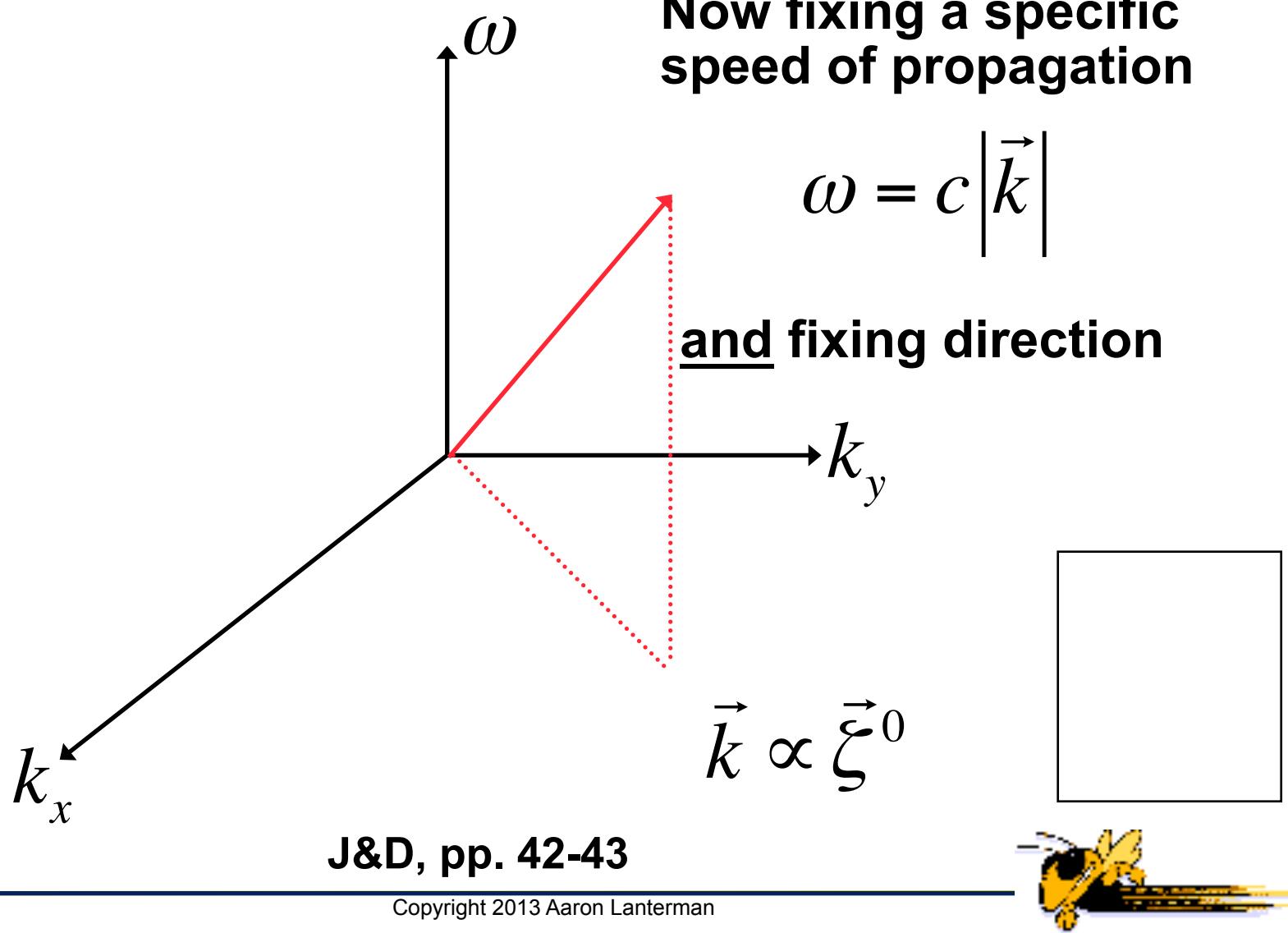
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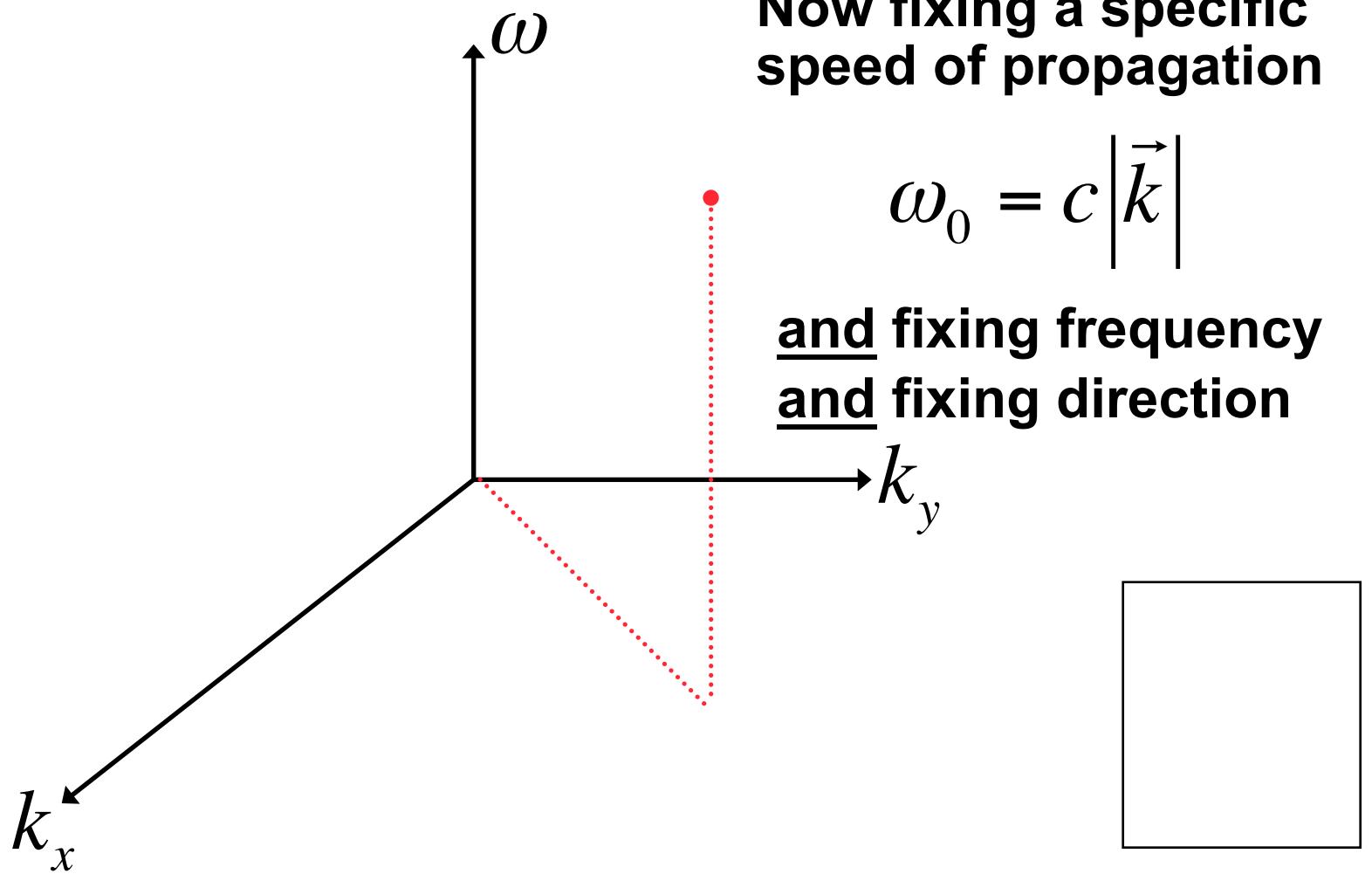
Narrowband, Iso., Fixed-Speed S-T Signal



Wideband, Dir., Fixed-Speed S-T Signal



Narrowband, Dir., Fixed-Speed S-T Signal



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Monochromatic Spherical Wave

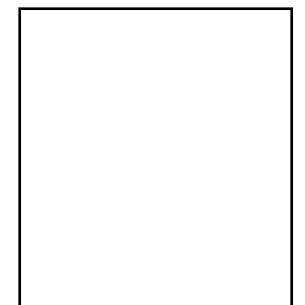
- What's the 4-D S-T FT of

$$s(r, t) = \exp \left\{ j \left(\omega_0 t - k^0 r \right) \right\} / r$$

- With polar wavenumber coordinates:

$$S(k, \omega) =$$

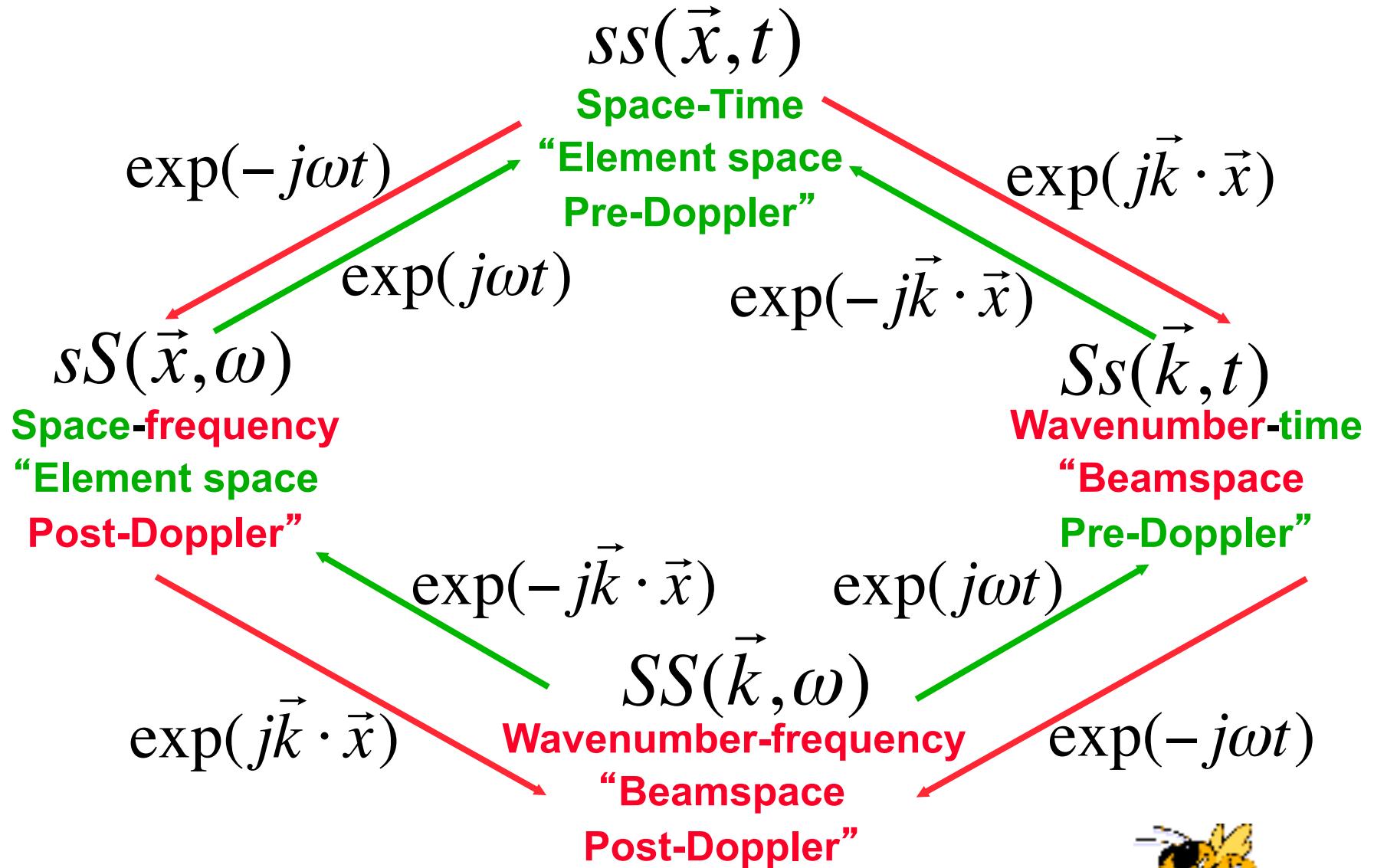
$$\left[\frac{2\pi^2}{jk^0} \delta(k - k^0) + \frac{4\pi}{k^2 - (k^0)^2} \right] \delta(\omega - \omega_0)$$



(at least according to J&D, p. 44)



Doug Williams' Chart



Filtering to Extract Information

- **Filter data in wavenumber-frequency space:**

$$Y(\vec{k}, \omega) = H(\vec{k}, \omega)S(\vec{k}, \omega)$$

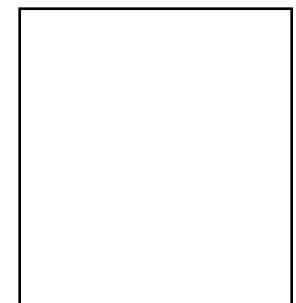
- **Ideal examples:**

- Focus on one frequency

$$H(\vec{k}, \omega) = \delta(\omega - \omega_0)$$

- Focus in one direction

$$H(\vec{k}, \omega) = \delta(\vec{k} - \vec{k}^0)$$



Spatiotemporal Convolution

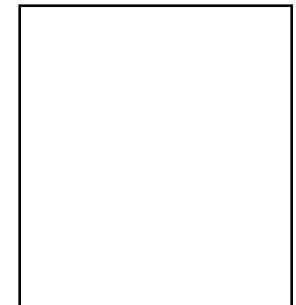
- Multiplication in Fourier domain...

$$Y(\vec{k}, \omega) = H(\vec{k}, \omega)S(\vec{k}, \omega)$$

- Corresponds to convolution in space-time domain:

$$y(\vec{x}, t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\vec{x} - \vec{\xi}, t - \tau) s(\vec{\xi}, \tau) d\vec{\xi} d\tau$$

- Hence ideal filters on previous slide aren't practical - have infinite extent in space-time



Spatiotemporal Filter Design Problem

- Challenge is to find a space-time impulse response $h(\vec{x}, t)$ that gets close to the desired $H(k, \omega)$ under some constraints:
 - If we want real-time implementation, temporal support must be restricted to $t > 0$ (causality)
 - Tricks from ECE4270 come into play
 - More importantly, spatial support must be limited to where you can put sensors!
 - New spin in ECE6279

