

# BLG 354E Signals & Systems

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In general:

## Signal Representation in terms of Basis Functions :

$$x[n] = \sum_k a_k \psi_k[n]$$

coefficients

$\psi_k[n]$  are orthogonal bases

Important case:  $\sum \psi_k[n] \psi_l^*[n] = 0$

$$\Leftrightarrow \langle \psi_k, \psi_l \rangle = 0$$

Basis functions

special case.

Discrete Fourier:  $e^{j\frac{2\pi}{N}kn}$ .

$\{\psi_k[n]\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ : any set of basis functions/signals.

Desirable  
Goal

Small # of  $\{a_k\}$  are non-zero. : (Compression)

keep  $\{a_k\}$  that contain the signal,

discard  $\{a_k\}$  that contain "noise"

any unwanted features

: Filtering

## General Theory of Fourier Series

Any periodic signal  $x(t)$  w/ fundamental frequency  $f_0$ ,

can be written as a sum of harmonically related sinusoids.

Fourier Synthesis Eqn:

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{j2\pi k f_0 t}$$

$\psi_k(t)$  : basis functions.  
 $a_k$ : Fourier series coefficients

$k \cdot f_0$  : harmonic frequencies  
( $k$  integer)

Note that  
the basis fn:

$$\psi_k(t) = e^{j2\pi k f_0 t}$$

index of  
the basis fn.  
fundamental freq.

Complex exponential (sinusoids)  
↳ building blocks for  
reconstructing  $x(t)$ .  
↳ basis functions for Fourier series.

Synthesis means:  
 → Given  $a_k$  (for a certain signal  $x(t)$ ) &  $f_0$  (fundamental freq);  $\xrightarrow{\frac{1}{f_0} = T_0}$ ; Fundamental Period of  $x(t)$

I can reconstruct the signal  $x(t)$  as follows:

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{j2\pi k f_0 t}$$

more generally:

$$(x(t) = \sum_k a_k b_k(t))$$

Family of

Basis functions:

$$\{v_k(t) = e^{j2\pi k f_0 t}\}_{k=-\infty}^{\infty}$$

→ has 2 properties

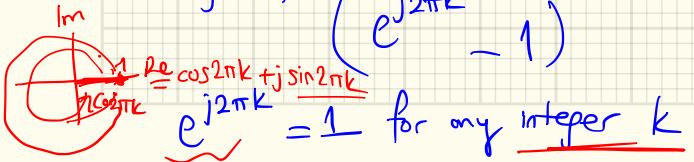
Property 1 Zero-Integral :

Integrate the basis functions in 1 period.

$$\int_0^{T_0} v_k(t) dt = \int_0^{T_0} e^{j2\pi k f_0 t} dt = \frac{e^{j2\pi k f_0 t}}{j2\pi k f_0} \Big|_0^{T_0}$$

$$= \frac{1}{j2\pi k f_0} (e^{j2\pi k f_0 T_0} - 1) = 0$$

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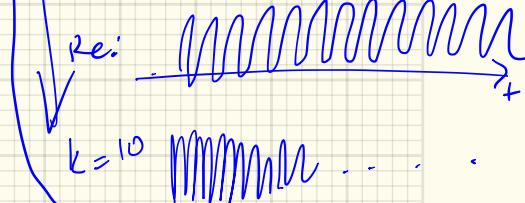
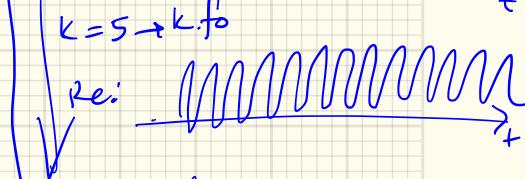
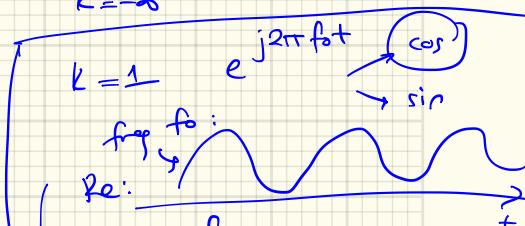


$e^{j2\pi k} = \cos 2\pi k + j \sin 2\pi k$

$e^{j2\pi k} = 1$  for any integer  $k$

for  $k=0$ :

$$\int_0^{T_0} e^{j2\pi(0)f_0 t} dt = T_0 \Rightarrow$$



Property 1)

$$\int_0^{T_0} V_k(t) dt = \int_0^{T_0} e^{j2\pi k f_0 t} dt = \begin{cases} 0, & k \neq 0 \\ T_0, & k = 0 \end{cases}$$

Property 2: Orthogonality of harmonic complex exponentials

$$\int_0^{T_0} V_k(t) \cdot V_l^*(t) dt = 0 \quad \text{for } k \neq l, \quad k, l : \text{integers}$$

Let's show this:

$$\int_0^{T_0} V_k(t) \cdot V_l^*(t) dt = \int_0^{T_0} e^{j2\pi k f_0 t} \cdot e^{-j2\pi l f_0 t} dt$$
$$= \int_0^{T_0} e^{j2\pi(m-k-l)f_0 t} dt = \int_0^{T_0} e^{j2\pi m f_0 t} dt = \begin{cases} 0, & m \neq 0 \\ T_0, & m = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\boxed{\int_0^{T_0} V_k(t) V_l^*(t) dt = \begin{cases} 0, & k \neq l \\ T_0, & k = l \end{cases}}$$

$$\boxed{\langle V_k(t), V_l(t) \rangle \geq 0 \quad k \neq l}$$

✓ Fourier Synthesis: Given  $a_k k f_0$  for  $x(t)$  :  $x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{j2\pi k f_0 t}$   
 we construct (synthesise)  $x(t)$

Q: Given a signal  $x(t)$ , how to find  $a_k$ ?  $\rightarrow$  Fourier Series coefficients  
 (Fourier analysis)

A: Start with  $x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{j2\pi k f_0 t}$   $\downarrow$  multiply both sides by  $e^{-j2\pi l f_0 t}$

$$x(t) e^{-j2\pi l f_0 t} = \sum_{k} a_k e^{j2\pi k f_0 t} \cdot e^{-j2\pi l f_0 t} \quad \downarrow \text{integrate}$$

$$\int_0^{T_0} x(t) e^{-j2\pi l f_0 t} dt = \int_0^{T_0} \sum_{k} a_k e^{j2\pi k f_0 t} \cdot e^{-j2\pi l f_0 t} dt$$

$$= \sum_{k} a_k \int_0^{T_0} e^{j2\pi(k-l)f_0 t} dt$$

$$\int_0^{T_0} x(t) e^{-j2\pi l f_0 t} dt = \boxed{a_l \cdot T_0} \quad \begin{cases} 0, & k \neq l \\ T_0, & k = l \end{cases}$$

only surviving term

$$a_k = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_0^{T_0} x(t) \cdot e^{-j2\pi k f_0 t} dt$$

(charge the index to  $k$ )

$\langle x(t), v_k(t) \rangle$  : projection of  $x(t)$  signal onto basis function  $\{v_k(t)\}_{k=-\infty}^{\infty}$

**Fourier Analysis Integral**  
 (how to calculate Fourier series coefficients)

$$a_k = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_{-T_0/2}^{T_0/2} x(t) e^{-j2\pi k f_0 t} dt$$

(integral limits can be any 1 period interval)

Ex: Consider the beat note

$$x(t) = \cos(2\pi 100t) \cdot \cos(2\pi 10t)$$

$$\frac{A}{2} \cos(2\pi f - \Delta t) + \frac{A}{2} \cos(2\pi(f + \Delta)t)$$

$$= A (\cos 2\pi ft) (\cos 2\pi \Delta t)$$

Check previous lecture.

$$\Rightarrow x(t) = \frac{1}{2} \cos(2\pi 110t) + \frac{1}{2} \cos(2\pi 90t)$$

Q: What are Fourier series coefficients  $x(t)$ ? Ok

1. Q: What is the fundamental frequency of  $x(t)$ ?

$x(t)$  has two frequencies

$$f_1 = 110 \text{ Hz}$$

$$f_2 = 90 \text{ Hz}$$

gcd.

$$f_1, f_2$$

$$f_0 = 10 \text{ Hz}$$

fundamental frequency

$\rightarrow 9^{\text{th}}$  &  $11^{\text{th}}$  harmonics exist in  $x(t)$ :

$$\begin{array}{c} \cancel{+ 9f_0} \\ + 90 \text{ Hz} \end{array}, \quad \begin{array}{c} \cancel{+ 11f_0} \\ + 110 \text{ Hz} \end{array}$$

$$a_9 = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$a_{-9} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$a_{11} = \frac{1}{4}$$

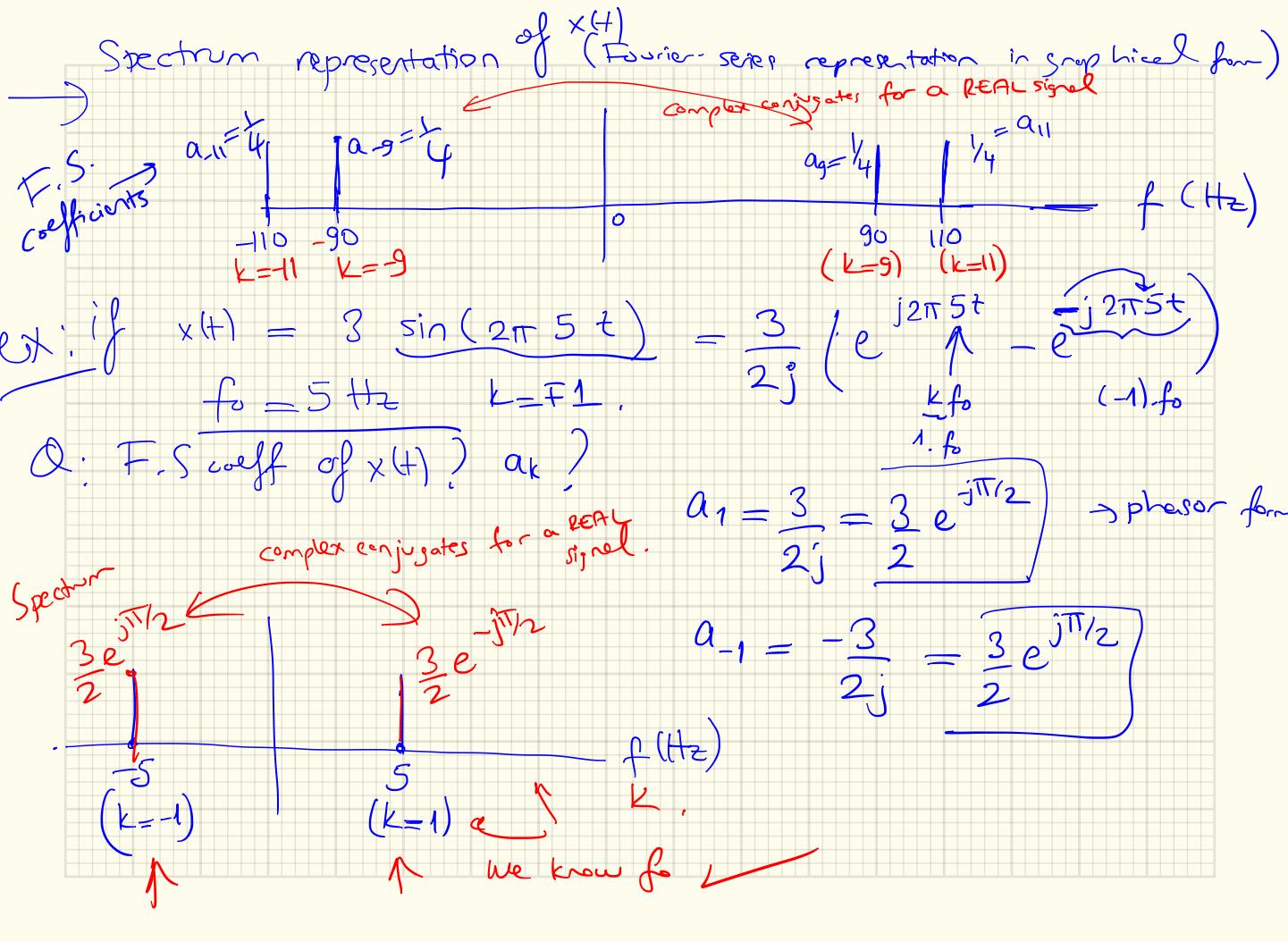
$$a_{-11} = \frac{1}{4}$$

use inverse Euler formula

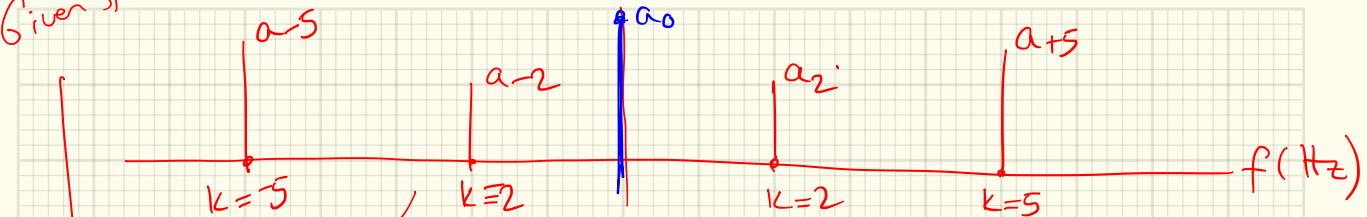
$$\text{Rewrite } x(t) = \frac{1}{4} e^{j 2\pi(11)t} + \frac{1}{4} e^{j 2\pi(-11)t} + \frac{1}{4} e^{j 2\pi(9)t} + \frac{1}{4} e^{j 2\pi(-9)t}$$



$$\begin{aligned} &+ \frac{1}{4} e^{j 2\pi(8)t} + \frac{1}{4} e^{j 2\pi(-8)t} + \frac{1}{4} e^{j 2\pi(7)t} + \frac{1}{4} e^{j 2\pi(-7)t} \end{aligned}$$



Given spectrum



Write down  
the signal

$$x(t) = a_0 + 2a_2 \cos(2\pi 2f_0 t) + 2a_5 \cos(2\pi 5f_0 t)$$

$$x(t) = a_0 + 2a_2 \sin(2\pi f_0 t - \frac{\pi}{2}) + 2a_5 \sin(2\pi 5f_0 t - \frac{\pi}{2}).$$

F.S. analysis equations

$$a_k = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_0^{T_0} x(t) \cdot e^{-j 2\pi k f_0 t} dt$$

$$\underbrace{k=0}_{\sum}$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_0^{T_0} x(t) dt$$

area  
integral under the  
Signal  $x(t)$  in 1 period,  
scaled by  $T_0$ .

\* For a real signal (not complex) & periodic:

$a_k$ 's have a special property: Let's derive it:

$$x(+)^* = \left( \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{j2\pi k f_0 t} \right)^*$$

$\leftarrow$  Take complex conjugate on both sides

$x(+)$  =  $\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k^* e^{-j2\pi k f_0 t}$

$\underbrace{x(+)}_{b_k \text{ is real}} = x(+)$

Let's do a change of variables  $k' = -k$

$$x(+)^* = \sum_{k'} a_{-k'}^* e^{j2\pi k' f_0 t} = \sum_{k'} a_{k'} e^{j2\pi k' f_0 t}$$

$\leftarrow$  E.S. representation

$$\Rightarrow a_k = a_{-k}^* : \text{for a real periodic signal}$$

$$\equiv \boxed{a_{-k} = a_k^*}$$

✓

→ Using this result +  $(a_{-k} = a_k^*)$ ; we will derive an equivalent F.S. representation (synthesis eqn) using real sinusoid bases  $\{\cos 2\pi k f_0 t\}$

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{j2\pi k f_0 t} \quad \text{use Euler formula}$$

$$x(t) = \dots + a_{-N}^* e^{-j2\pi N f_0 t} + \dots + a_{-2} e^{-j2\pi 2 f_0 t} + a_{-1} e^{-j2\pi f_0 t} + a_0 + a_N e^{j2\pi N f_0 t} + \dots + a_2 e^{j2\pi 2 f_0 t} + a_1 e^{j2\pi f_0 t} + \dots$$

for real  
x(t)

$$x(t) = a_0 + 2 \left[ a_1 \cos(2\pi f_0 t) + a_2 \cos(2\pi (2f_0)t) + \dots + a_N \cos(2\pi (Nf_0)t) + \dots \right]$$

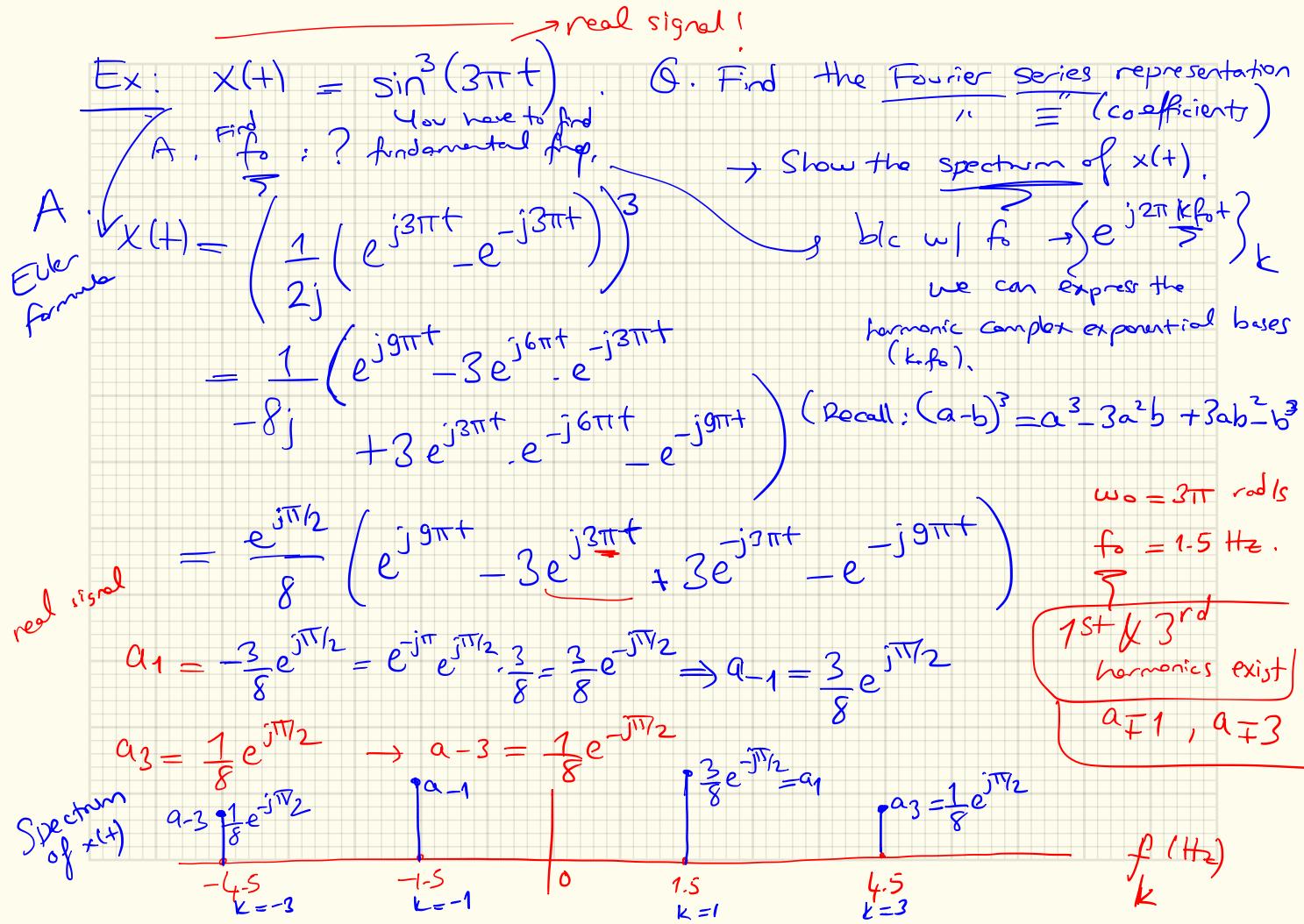
$$\Rightarrow x(t) = a_0 + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \cos(2\pi (k f_0) t)$$

Fourier series representation for a real signal (equivalent to the previous one)

If we have

phase:  $x(t) = a_0 + \sum_k A_k \cos(2\pi k f_0 t + \phi_k)$

$\Rightarrow$  F.S. coefficients  $a_k = \frac{A_k e^{j\phi_k}}{2}$   $a_{-k} = \frac{A_k e^{-j\phi_k}}{2}$

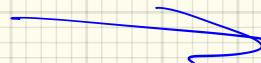


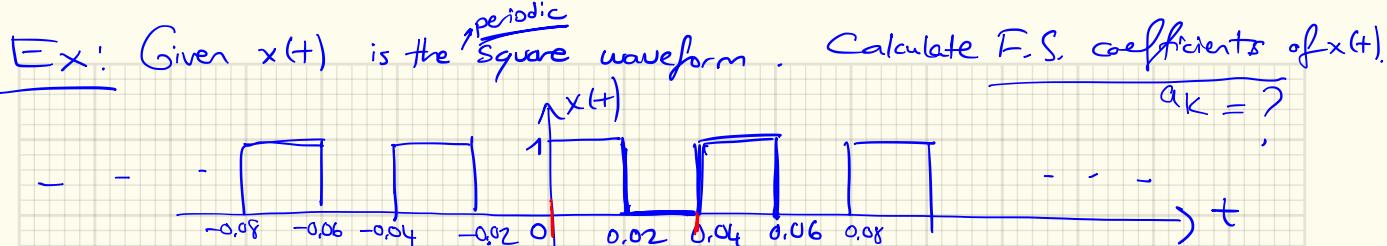
$\rightarrow a_k = \begin{cases} 0, & k \neq 1, -1, 3, -3 \\ \frac{3}{8} e^{j(\pm\frac{\pi}{2})}, & k = \pm 1 \\ \frac{1}{8} e^{j(\mp\frac{\pi}{2})}, & k = \mp 3 \end{cases}$

F.S. coef  
of  $x(t)$

This was an example signal, already in sine form

Next, let's just work on a signal w/ a  
given waveform





$$T_0 = ? \text{ 0.04 sec.}$$

$$f_0 = \frac{1}{T_0} = 25 \text{ Hz}$$

$$T_0 = 0.04 \text{ s}$$

project my signal  
onto this basis f. set.

$$\left\{ e^{j2\pi k 25t} \right\}_k$$

basis functions

$$a_k = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_0^{T_0} x(t) e^{-j2\pi k f_0 t} dt$$

$$; a_0 = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_0^{T_0} x(t) dt = \frac{1}{0.04} 0.02 = \frac{1}{2}$$

in 1 period  
of the signal  $x(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq t \leq 0.02 \\ 0, & 0.02 < t \leq 0.04 \end{cases}$

express  $x(t)$  mathematically.

$$a_k = \frac{1}{0.04} \int_0^{0.04} x(t) e^{-j2\pi k 25t} dt = \frac{1}{0.04} \left\{ \int_0^{0.02} 1 \cdot e^{-j2\pi k 25t} dt + \int_{0.02}^{0.04} 0 \cdot e^{-j2\pi k 25t} dt \right\}$$

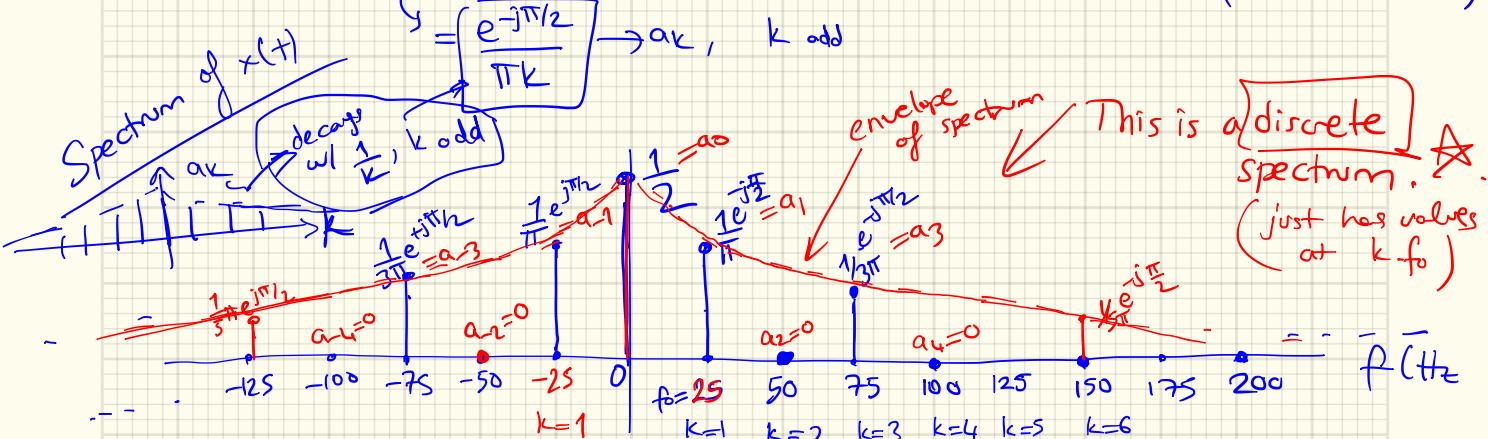
$$a_k = 25 \frac{e^{-j2\pi k 25(0.02)} - e^{-j2\pi k 25(0.04)}}{-j2\pi k 25} = \frac{(1 - e^{-j\pi k})}{j2\pi k}$$

$$\text{Notice: } e^{-j\pi k} = (e^{-j\pi})^k = (-1)^k = \begin{cases} 1 & , k \text{ even} \\ -1 & , k \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_k = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}, & k=0 \\ 0, & k \text{ even} \\ \frac{1}{j\pi k}, & k \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

Final eqn we got

$$a_k = \frac{1}{j2\pi k} \underbrace{(1 - (-1)^k)}_{\begin{cases} 2 & \text{for } k \text{ odd} \\ 0 & \text{for } k \text{ even} \end{cases}}$$



$$x(t) \triangleq \sum_{k=-N}^{N} a_k e^{j2\pi k 25t}$$

Goal



Error  $\rightarrow 0$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$

$$e_N(t) = \max |X(t) - X_N(t)| \rightarrow 0 \quad N \rightarrow \infty$$

for a continuous signal

we note w/ the approximation  $X_N(t)$

But for a discontinuous signals:

$$\max e_N(t) \rightarrow 0 \quad N \rightarrow \infty$$

For a continuous signal

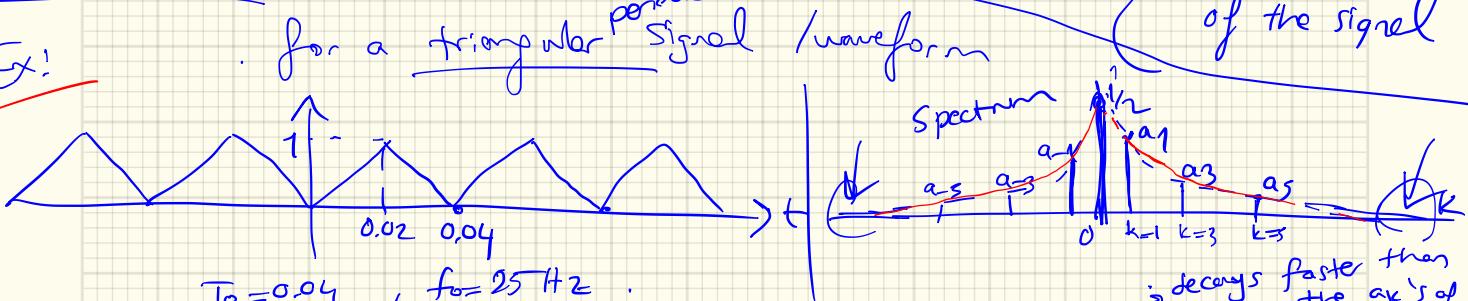
$$\max e_N(t) \rightarrow 0 \quad N \rightarrow \infty$$

Gibbs phenomenon

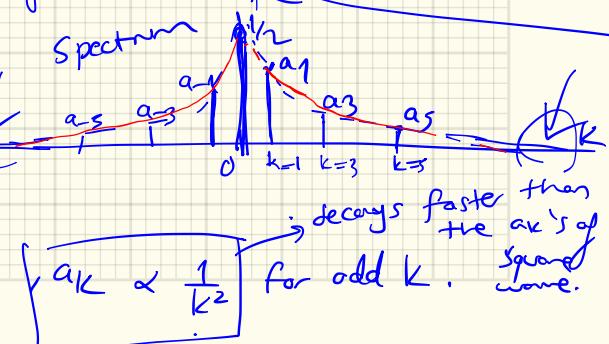
e.g. check the square waveform!

Visible at discontinuities of the signal

Ex!



F.S. coefficients:  $a_0 = \frac{1}{0.04} = \frac{1}{2}$



Ex:  $x(t) = \sin(2\pi\sqrt{2}t) + 2 \sin(2\pi(4)t)$

not harmonically related.

Q: Can you find a Fourier Series representation of this signal?

$$f_1 = \sqrt{2} \text{ Hz} \quad \xrightarrow{\text{No gcd of } f_1 \text{ & } f_2} \text{ no fo!}$$

$$f_2 = 4 \text{ Hz.}$$

$\Rightarrow$  This is not a periodic signal.  $\therefore$  No F. S. representation.

$\underbrace{x(t)}$ , Non-periodic signal

$\Rightarrow$  Study the Notes + Slides