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5 Fourier Series and LTI Systems

3.0 Introduction

- Eigenfunction property of LTI systems
- Representation of continuous-time and discrete-time periodic signals — Fourier Series
- > Frequency spectrum of periodic signals
- > Responses of LTI systems to periodic signals

3.1 The Response of LTI Systems to Complex Exponentials

Defining two Functions H(s) and H(z) respectively:

$$H(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau)e^{-s\tau}d\tau \qquad \qquad H(z) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h[k]z^{-k}$$

Here H(s) and H(z) are functions of the complex variable s or z.

A continuous-time LTI system with the impulse response h(t) responds to a complex exponential input $e^{s_0t} - s_0$ a complex constant — by

$$y(t) = e^{s_0 t} * h(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau) e^{s_0(t-\tau)} d\tau = e^{s_0 t} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau) e^{-s_0 \tau} d\tau = H(s_0) e^{s_0 t}$$

A discrete-time LTI system with the impulse response h[n] responds to a complex exponential input $z_0^n - z_0$ a complex constant — by

$$y[n] = z_0^n * h[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h[k] z_0^{n-k} = z_0^n \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h[k] z_0^{-k} = H(z_0) z_0^n$$

3.1 The Response of LTI Systems to Complex Exponentials

- Eigenfunction (特征函数): an input signal for which the system output is a constant times the input.
 - For continuous-time systems: $e^{s_0 t} \rightarrow H(s_0)e^{s_0 t}$
 - For discrete-time systems: $z_0^n \to H(z_0)z_0^n$
- e^{st} is the eigenfunction of continuous-time LTI systems. z^n is the eigenfunction of discrete-time LTI systems. This is referred to as the eigenfunction property of LTI systems.
- ➤ If the input to an LTI system is represented as a linear combination of complex exponentials as:

$$x(t) = \sum_{k} a_k e^{s_k t} \qquad \text{or} \qquad x[n] = \sum_{k} a_k z_k^n$$

From eigenfunction property and superposition property, the output will be:

$$y(t) = \sum_{k} a_k H(s_k) e^{s_k t}$$
 or $y[n] = \sum_{k} a_k H(z_k) z_k^n$

3.2.1 Complex Exponential Fourier Series (指数型傅里叶级数)

Given periodic x(t) with fundamental period T, its complex

exponential Fourier series is :
$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t} \qquad \omega_0 = 2\pi/T$$
 Fundamental frequency Coefficients a_k is a complex function of $k\omega_0$. (基频)

$$a_1 e^{j\omega_0 t} + a_{-1} e^{-j\omega_0 t}$$
: fundamental component or the first harmonic component (基波分量) (一次谐波分量)

$$a_N e^{jN\omega_0 t} + a_{-N} e^{-jN\omega_0 t}$$
: the Mth harmonic components (N次谐波分量)

By taking use of orthogonal property of functions $e^{jk\omega_0 t}$, $k=0,\pm 1,\cdots$ we can derive the equation to determine the Fourier series $a_k = \frac{1}{T} \int_T x(t) e^{-jk\omega_0 t} dt$ coefficients:

synthesis equation: (综合式)

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t} = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{jk(2\pi/T)t}$$

analysis equation:

(分析式)

$$a_{k} = \frac{1}{T} \int_{T} x(t)e^{-jk\omega_{0}t} dt = \frac{1}{T} \int_{T} x(t)e^{-jk(2\pi/T)t} dt$$

Fourier series coefficients or spectral coefficients of x(t): $\{a_{i}\}$

(傅里叶级数系数)

(频谱系数)

magnitude spectrum: $|a_k|$ phase spectrum: $\langle a_k|$

(幅度频谱)

(相位频谱)

 $a_0 = \frac{1}{T} \int_T x(t) dt$ constant component or dc of x(t):

(常数或直流分量)

3.2.2 Trigonometric Fourier Series (三角型傅里叶级数)

For real x(t):

$$x(t) = a_0 + 2\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[B_k \cos k\omega_0 t - C_k \sin k\omega_0 t \right]$$

$$x(t) = a_0 + 2\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k \cos(k\omega_0 t + \theta_k)$$

The relationships between a_k and B_k , C_k , A_k , θ_k are:

$$a_k = B_k + jC_k \qquad a_k = A_k e^{j\theta_k}$$

Note: $\{a_k\}$ are generally complex, while B_k , C_k , A_k , θ_k are real, so trigonometric FS is for real periodic signals.

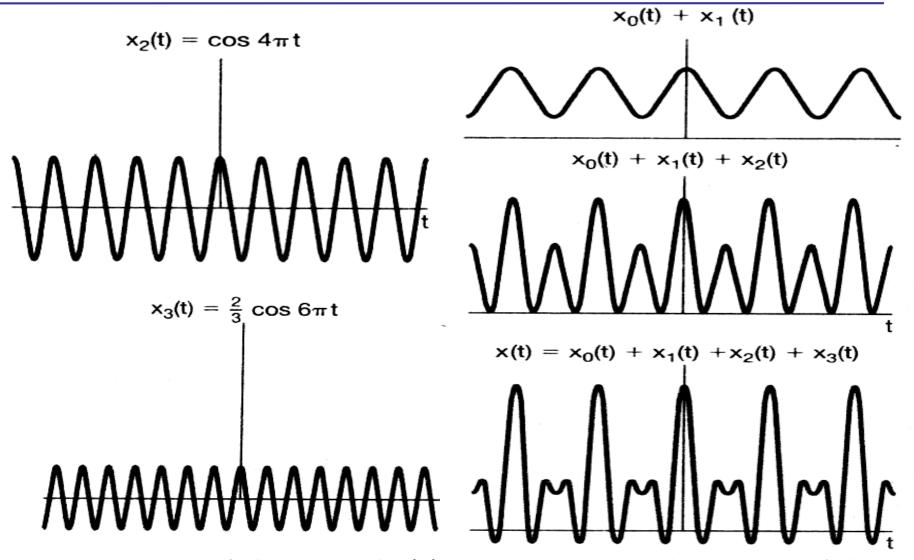
Example 3.1

Consider a real periodic signal x(t), with fundamental frequency 2π , that is expressed in the complex exponential Fourier series as $x(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{+3} a_k e^{jk2\pi t}$

where
$$a_0 = 1$$
, $a_1 = a_{-1} = 1/4$, $a_2 = a_{-2} = 1/2$, $a_3 = a_{-3} = 1/3$
Use the trigonometric form to express the signal $x(t)$.

Sol: Collecting the harmonic components which have same frequency, we have

$$x(t) = 1 + \frac{1}{4} \left(e^{j2\pi t} + e^{-j2\pi t} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(e^{j4\pi t} + e^{-j4\pi t} \right) + \frac{1}{3} \left(e^{j6\pi t} + e^{-j6\pi t} \right)$$
From Euler's
$$x(t) = 1 + \frac{1}{4} \cdot 2\cos 2\pi t + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2\cos 4\pi t + \frac{1}{3} \cdot 2\cos 6\pi t$$
relation
$$= 1 + \frac{1}{2}\cos 2\pi t + \cos 4\pi t + \frac{2}{3}\cos 6\pi t$$



Construction of the signal x(t) as a linear combination of the harmonically related sinusoidal signals

Example 3.2

Consider the signal

$$x(t) = 1 + \sin \omega_0 t + 2\cos \omega_0 t + \cos(2\omega_0 t + \frac{\pi}{\Delta})$$

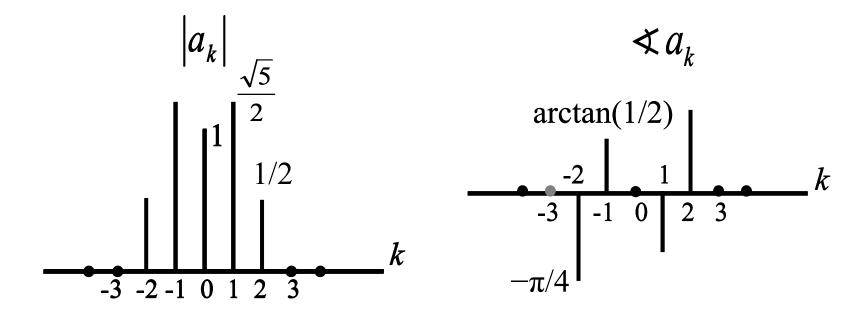
Draw the graphs of magnitude and phase spectrums of x(t). Sol: Complex exponential form can be easily obtained as

$$x(t) = 1 + \left(1 + \frac{1}{2j}\right)e^{j\omega_0 t} + \left(1 - \frac{1}{2j}\right)e^{-j\omega_0 t} + \frac{1}{2}e^{j(\pi/4)}e^{j2\omega_0 t} + \frac{1}{2}e^{-j(\pi/4)}e^{-j2\omega_0 t}$$

Thus, the Fourier series coefficients for this example are:

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 &= 1, \\ a_1 &= \left(1 + \frac{1}{2j}\right) = 1 - \frac{1}{2}j = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}e^{-j\arctan(1/2)}, \\ a_{-1} &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{2j}\right) = 1 + \frac{1}{2}j = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}e^{j\arctan(1/2)}, \\ a_{-1} &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{2j}\right) = 1 + \frac{1}{2}j = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}e^{j\arctan(1/2)}, \\ a_k &= 0, \quad \left|k\right| > 2. \end{aligned}$$

$$a_0 = 1$$
, $a_1 = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}e^{-j\arctan(1/2)}$, $a_{-1} = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}e^{j\arctan(1/2)}$, $a_2 = \frac{1}{2}e^{j(\pi/4)}$, $a_{-2} = \frac{1}{2}e^{-j(\pi/4)}$

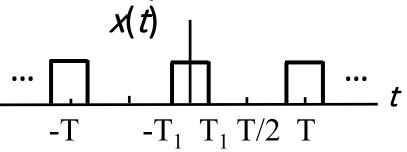


Plots of the magnitude and phase of Fourier coefficients of x(t)

Example 3.3

The periodic square wave is defined over one period as:

$$x(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & |t| < T_1 \\ 0, & T_1 < |t| < T/2 \end{cases}$$



Do some research into its frequency spectrum.

Sol:
$$a_0 = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T_1}^{T_1} dt = \frac{2T_1}{T}$$
 — Duty Circle (占空比)

$$a_{k} = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T_{1}}^{T_{1}} e^{-jk\omega_{0}t} dt = -\frac{1}{jk\omega_{0}T} e^{-jk\omega_{0}t} \Big|_{-T_{1}}^{T_{1}} = \frac{2\sin(k\omega_{0}T_{1})}{k\omega_{0}T} = \frac{\sin(k\omega_{0}T_{1})}{k\pi}, k \neq 0$$

$$a_k = \frac{\sin\left(k\pi \frac{2T_1}{T}\right)}{k\pi}$$

For
$$T=4T_1$$
, duty circle=50%, the coefficients are: $a_k = \frac{\sin\left(k\pi \frac{2T_1}{T}\right)}{k\pi}$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2}, \quad a_1 = a_{-1} = \frac{1}{\pi}, \quad a_3 = a_{-3} = -\frac{1}{3\pi}, \quad a_5 = a_{-5} = \frac{1}{5\pi},$$

$$\vdots$$

For $T = 8T_1$, duty circle=25%, coefficients are:

$$a_{0} = \frac{1}{4}, \quad a_{1} = a_{-1} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2\pi}, \quad a_{2} = a_{-2} = \frac{1}{2\pi},$$

$$a_{3} = a_{-3} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{6\pi}, \quad a_{4} = a_{-4} = 0, \quad a_{5} = a_{-5} = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{10\pi},$$

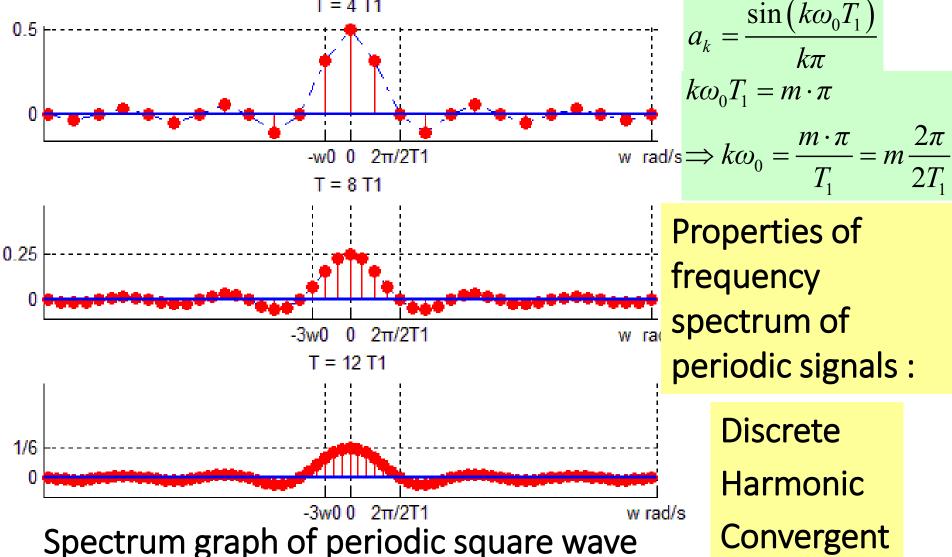
$$\vdots$$

Plots of the Fourier Series coefficients a_k for the periodic square wave with T_1 fixed and for several values of T_2 :

(a) $T_1 = 4$ T_2 ;

(b) $T_2 = 8$ T_3 ;

(c) $T_3 = 16$ T_4 .



Consider: If T fixed, $2T_1$ decreases (duty circle decreases), what are the changes of the spectrum?

- Frequency bandwidth
- ✓ If the spectral function is a *Sinc* (or *Sa*), the frequency bandwidth is the width of the range of positive frequencies from zero to the first zero point of *Sinc*.
- ✓ In engineering, 3-dB or half-power bandwidth is generally used, which is the width of the range of positive frequencies where a peak value at zero is attenuated to 0.707 the value at the peak.
- > Two conclusions obtained from the frequency spectrum analysis of periodic square wave :
- ✓ The width of pulse in time domain is inverse proportional to the width
 of frequency band in frequency domain.
- ✓ Signals changing faster in time domain must have wider frequency band width. (Thus contain more high frequencies in the frequency band width.)

3.3 Convergence of the Fourier Series

discontinuities is finite.

➤ The Dirichlet conditions (狄里赫利条件) (sufficient not necessary conditions):

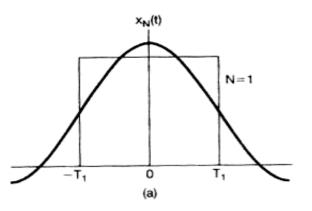
✓ Condition 1: Over any period ✓ the must be absolutely

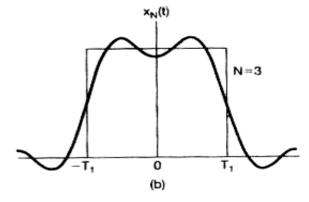
✓ Condition 1: Over any period, x(t) must be *absolutely integrable*; that is $\int_{T} |x(t)| dt < \infty$ ✓ Condition 2: In any finite interval of time, x(t) is of bounded

- variation; that is, there are no more than a finite number of maxima and minima during any single period of the signal. ✓ Condition 3: In any finite interval of time, there are only a finite number of discontinuities. Furthermore, each of these
- If x(t) is continuous everywhere, then the series converges absolutely and uniformly; The infinite series equals x(t) at every continuity point and equals the average $0.5[x(t+0_+)+x(t+0_-)]$ at every discontinuity point.

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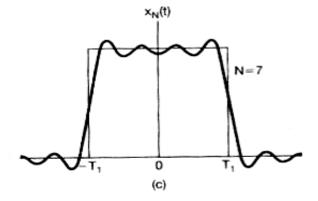


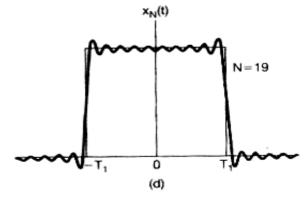


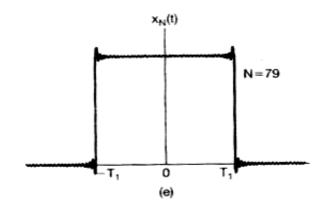
Consider an approxima

$$x_N(t) = \sum_{k=-N}^{N} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t}$$

Convergence of the Fourier series representation of a square wave: an illustration of the Gibbs phenomenon (吉布斯现象).







3.4.1 Linear Combination of Harmonically Related Complex Exponentials

Given periodic x[n] with fundamental period N, its Fourier series takes the form:

 $e^{jk(2\pi/N)n}$ is periodic thus there are only N distinct signals in $\left\{e^{jk(2\pi/N)n}, \quad k=0,\pm 1,\pm 2,\cdots\right\}$

The summation need only include terms over a range of N successive values of k. We use $k = \langle N \rangle$ to indicate this. Then,

$$x[n] = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 n} = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k e^{jk(2\pi/N)n}$$
finite series

3.4.2 Determination of the Fourier Series Representation of a Periodic Signal

Multiplying both sides of the discrete-time Fourier series equation by $e^{-jr(2\pi/N)n}$ and summing over N terms, we obtain

$$\sum_{n=\langle N\rangle} x[n] e^{-jr(2\pi/N)n} = \sum_{n=\langle N\rangle} \sum_{k=\langle N\rangle} a_k e^{j(k-r)(2\pi/N)n}$$

Interchanging the order of summation on the right side yields

$$\sum_{n=\langle N \rangle} x[n] e^{-jr(2\pi/N)n} = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k \sum_{n=\langle N \rangle} e^{j(k-r)(2\pi/N)n}$$

$$\sum_{n=\langle N \rangle} e^{j(k-r)(\frac{2\pi}{N})n} = \frac{1 - \left[e^{j\frac{2\pi}{N}(k-r)}\right]^N}{1 - e^{j\frac{2\pi}{N}(k-r)}} = \begin{cases} 0, & k \neq r + mN \\ N, & k = r + mN \end{cases}$$

The Fourier series coefficients are determined by equation:

$$a_r = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n = \langle N \rangle} x[n] e^{-jr(2\pi/N)n}$$

synthesis equation:

$$x[n] = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 n} = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k e^{jk(2\pi/N)n}$$

analysis equation:
$$a_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n = \langle N \rangle} x[n] e^{-jk\omega_0 n} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n = \langle N \rangle} x[n] e^{-jk(2\pi/N)n}$$

periodic

$$a_k = a_{k+N}$$

Discreteness ↔ Periodicity

Example 3.8

Consider the signal $x[n] = \sin 3(2\pi/5)n$, draw the graph coefficients.

Sol: This signal is periodic with period N = 5.

$$x[n] = \frac{1}{2j} e^{j3(2\pi/5)n} - \frac{1}{2j} e^{-j3(2\pi/5)n}$$

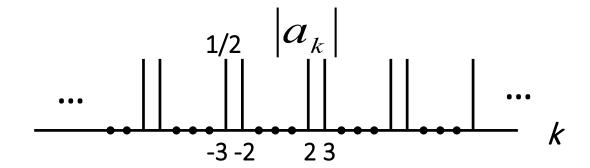
$$x[n] = \frac{1}{2j} e^{j3(2\pi/5)n} - \frac{1}{2j} e^{-j3(2\pi/5)n}$$

$$a_3 = \frac{1}{2j}, \quad a_{-3} = -\frac{1}{2j}$$

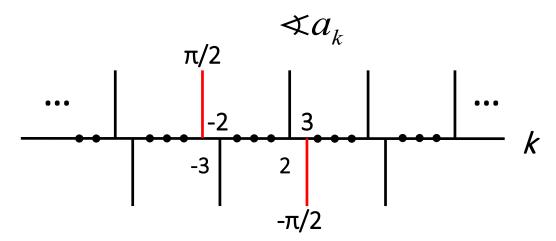
$$\frac{1/2j}{-7} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$\frac{1}{8} = \frac{1}{8} = \frac{1$$

Fourier coefficients for $x[n] = \sin 3(2\pi/5)n$.



Magnitude of the coefficients



Phase of the coefficients

Example 3.9

Consider the discrete-time periodic square wave:

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=-N_1}^{N_1} e^{-j0(\frac{2\pi}{N})n} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=-N_1}^{N_1} 1 = \frac{2N_1 + 1}{N} = a_N = a_{-N} = a_{-N$$

$$a_{k} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=-N_{1}}^{N_{1}} e^{-jk(\frac{2\pi}{N})n} \underbrace{m = n + N_{1}}_{m=0} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{m=0}^{2N_{1}} e^{-jk(\frac{2\pi}{N})(m-N_{1})} = \frac{1}{N} e^{jk(\frac{2\pi}{N})N_{1}} \sum_{m=0}^{2N_{1}} e^{-jk(\frac{2\pi}{N})m}$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \frac{\sin \left[2k\pi \left(\frac{N_1 + 1/2}{N} \right) \right]}{\sin \left(\frac{k\pi}{N} \right)}, \qquad k \neq 0, \pm N, \pm 2N, \cdots$$

$$a_k = \frac{1}{N} \frac{\sin \left[2k\pi \left(\frac{N_1 + 1/2}{N} \right) \right]}{\sin \left(\frac{k\pi}{N} \right)}$$

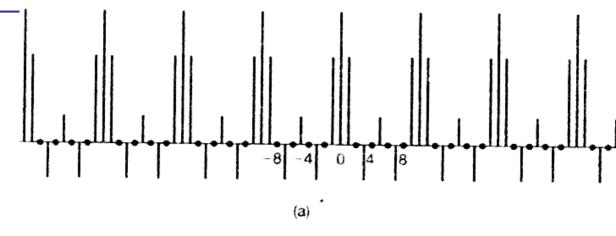
$$k \neq 0, \pm N, \pm 2N, \cdots$$

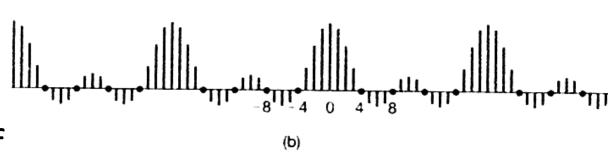
Fourier series coefficients for the periodic square wave of Example 3.9; plots of Na_k for $2N_1 + 1 = 5$ and

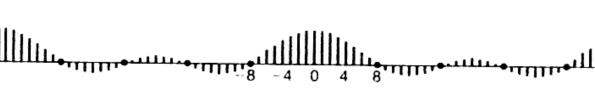
(a)
$$N = 10$$
;

(b)
$$N = 20$$
;

(c)
$$N = 40$$







In contrast to CTFS, there are no convergence issues with the DTFS in general, because any discrete-time periodic sequence x[n] is completely specified by a *finite* number N of parameters. So for discrete-time square wave we will not observe Gibbs phenomenon as the number of FS terms increases.

Reviewing eigenfunction property of LTI systems:

$$x(t) = e^{st} \rightarrow y(t) = H(s)e^{st}, -\infty < t < \infty$$
 system function $x[n] = z^n \rightarrow y[n] = H(z)z^n, -\infty < n < \infty$ (系统函数)

- > If $Re\{s\} = 0$, $s = j\omega$, $H(j\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(t)e^{-j\omega t}dt$ frequency response h(z) = 1, h(z
- If the input signal of an LTI system is periodic,

$$x_{T}(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_{k} e^{jk\omega_{0}t}$$

$$x_{N}[n] = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_{k} e^{jk(2\pi/N)n} H(j\omega) / H(e^{j\omega})$$

$$y(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_{k} H(jk\omega_{0}) e^{jk\omega_{0}t}$$

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_{k} H(e^{jk\sqrt{N}}) e^{jk\sqrt{N}n}$$

$$y(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k H(jk\omega_0) e^{jk\omega_0 t} \qquad y[n] = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k H(e^{j2k\pi/N}) e^{jk(2\pi/N)n}$$

This results show that the response of an LTI system to a periodic signal is still *periodic*, and the output signal has same period as that of the input signal; furthermore, relationships between the FS coefficients of input and those of output are

$$x_T(t) \leftrightarrow a_k \rightarrow y_T(t) \leftrightarrow b_k = a_k H(jk\omega_0)$$
 Steady response $x_N[n] \leftrightarrow a_k \rightarrow y_N[n] \leftrightarrow b_k = a_k H(e^{jk(2\pi/N)})$ (稳态响应)

➤ The effect of the LTI system is to modify individually each of the Fourier coefficients of the input through multiplication by the value of the frequency response at the corresponding frequency.

Example 3.12

Input periodic signal $x(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k e^{jk2\pi t}$ as in example 3.1 to an LTI system with impulse response $h(t) = e^{-t}u(t)$, determine the Fourier series coefficients b_k of the output y(t).

Sol: First compute the frequency response,

$$H(j\omega) = \int_0^\infty e^{-\tau} e^{-j\omega\tau} d\tau = -\frac{1}{1+j\omega} e^{-\tau} e^{-j\omega\tau} \Big|_0^\infty = \frac{1}{1+j\omega}$$

$$b_0 = a_0 \cdot \frac{1}{1+i0} = 1,$$

Since
$$b_k = a_k H(jk2\pi)$$

$$a_0 = 1, \quad a_1 = a_{-1} = 1/4, \qquad b_1 = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{1+i2\pi} \right), \qquad b_{-1} = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{1-i2\pi} \right),$$

$$b_1 = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{1+j2\pi} \right)$$

$$b_{-1} = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{1 - j2\pi} \right),$$

$$a_2 = a_{-2} = 1/2$$
,

$$b_2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{1} \right)$$

$$b_2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{1 + j4\pi} \right), \qquad b_{-2} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{1 - j4\pi} \right),$$

$$a_3 = a_{-3} = 1/3$$

$$b_3 = \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{1}{1 + j6\pi} \right), \qquad b_{-3} = \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{1}{1 - j6\pi} \right).$$

$$=\frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{1}{1-j6\pi}\right).$$

Example 3.13

Consider an LTI system with sample response $h[n] = \alpha^n u[n], -1 < \alpha < 1$, and the input $x[n] = \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{N}n\right)$, find the steady-response y[n].

Sol: First compute the frequency response:

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha^n e^{-j\omega n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\alpha e^{-j\omega})^n = y[n] = r \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{N}n + \theta\right)$$
riting $x[n]$ as
$$x[n] = \frac{1}{2}e^{j(2\pi/N)n} + \frac{1}{2}e^{-j(2\pi/N)n}$$

Writing x[n] as

$$x[n] = \frac{1}{2}e^{j(2\pi/N)n} + \frac{1}{2}e^{-j(2\pi/N)}$$

$$y[n] = \frac{1}{2}H(e^{j2\pi/N})e^{j(2\pi/N)n} + \frac{1}{2}H(e^{-j2\pi/N})e^{-j(2\pi/N)n}$$

$$re^{j\theta} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{1 - \alpha e^{-j2\pi/N}} \right) e^{j(2\pi/N)n} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{1 - \alpha e^{j2\pi/N}} \right) e^{j(2\pi/N)n} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{1 - \alpha e^{j2\pi/N}} \right) e^{j(2\pi/N)n}$$

3.6 SUMMARY

- Eigenfunction property of LTI systems;
- Fourier series representations for both continuous-time and discrete-time periodic signals—i.e., weighted sum of harmonically related complex exponentials that share a common period;
- Different characteristics of signals reflected in their Fourier series coefficients (properties of Fourier series);
- Steady response of LTI systems when input signal is periodic.

Homework

3.22 (d) in (a) \((c) \) 3.25

3.27 3.28 (b) (c)

3.31 3.34 (a) (b)