

# Ve 216: Introduction to Signals and Systems

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# Roadmap

Transform	Signal	
	Continuous Time	Discrete Time
Continuous Frequency	Fourier Transform	DTFT (periodic in frequency)
Discrete Frequency	Fourier Series (periodic in time)	DTFS or DFT (periodic in time and frequency) FFT

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# Overview

- Definition
- Existence
- Examples
- Properties
- Convolution / filtering
- Multiplication / modulation (app: all electronic communication systems)
- Application to diffeq systems (app: RLC circuits)
- Partial fraction expansion (PFE)
- Finally: easy answer to  $\cos(\omega t) u(t) \xrightarrow{\text{LTI}} y(t) = ?$  and related problems

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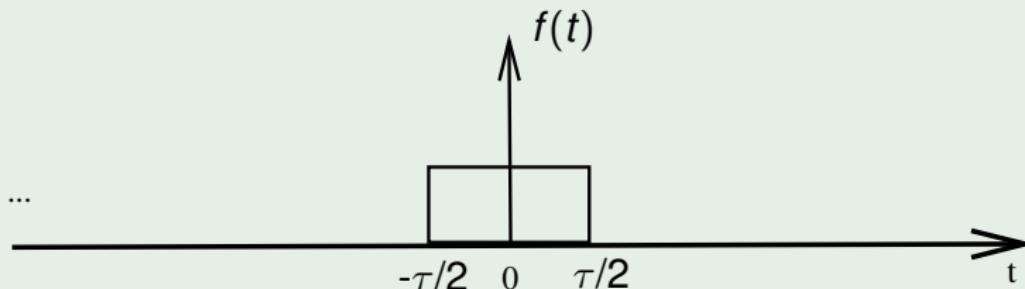
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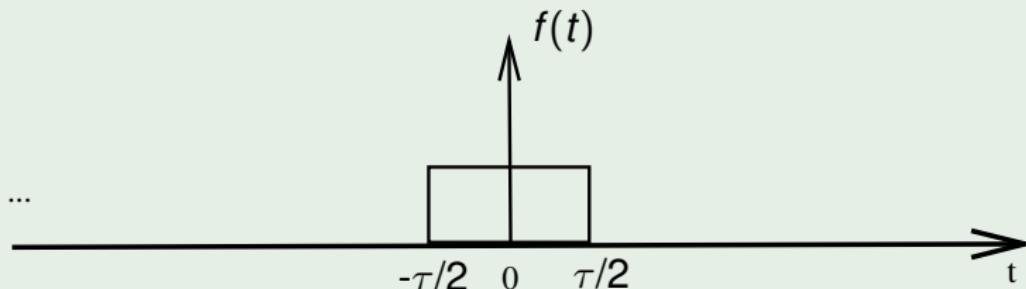
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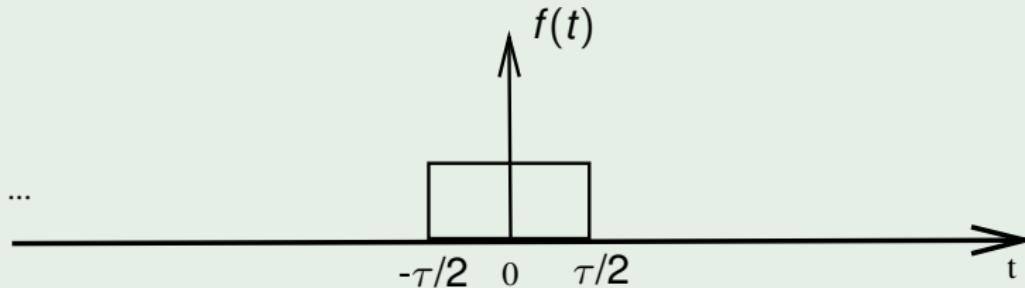
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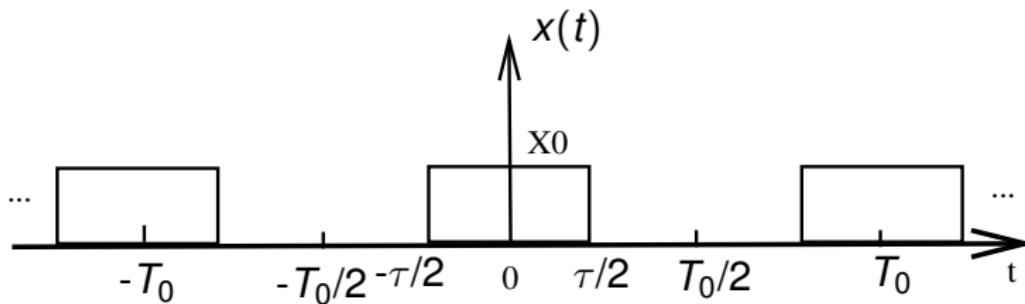
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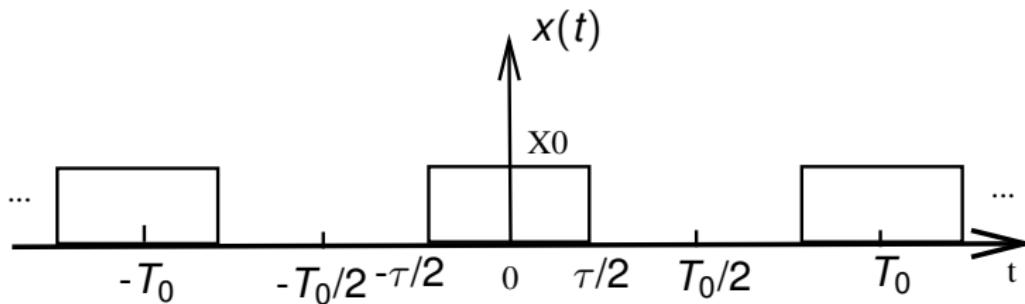
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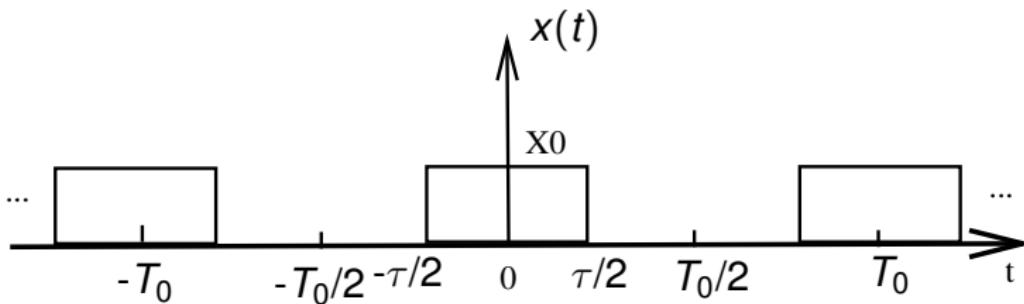
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- ➊ What is this signal called? *Rectangular pulse train*
- ➋ Is it an energy or power signal? *Power*
- ➌ What is the name of the special function that we defined to describe the  $c_k$ 's of  $x_{T_0}(t)$ ? *Sinc*

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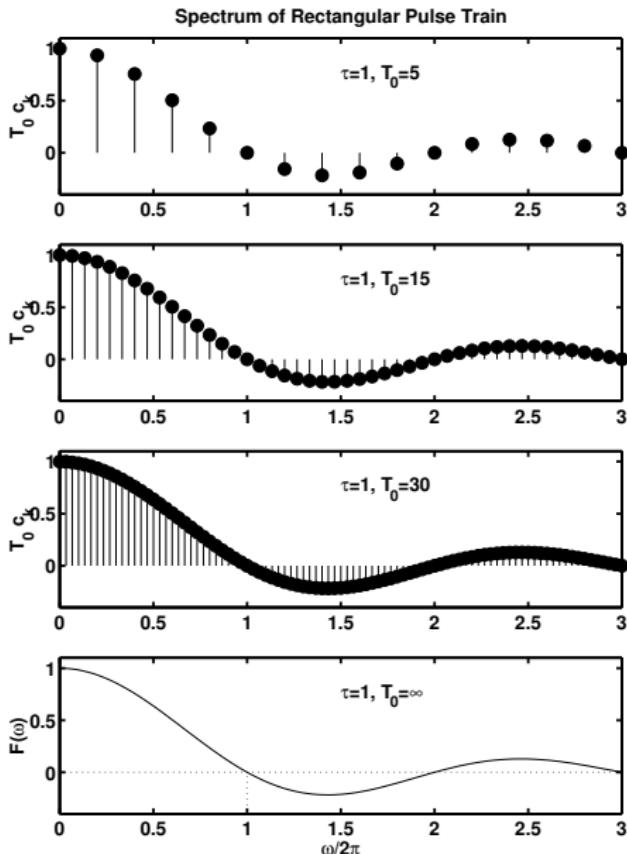
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Video: MIT Lecture 8, 11.58 min

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$$F(\omega) \triangleq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt$$

then

$$T_0 c_k = F(\omega) \implies c_k = \frac{1}{T_0} F(\omega)|_{\omega=k\omega_0}$$

where the  $c_k$ 's are the FS coefficients of the periodic signal  $x_{T_0}(t)$ , but the  $F(\omega)$  is solely related to the aperiodic signal  $f(t)$ .

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- Since  $x_{T_0}(t)$  is periodic, it is a power signal, whereas  $f(t)$  is aperiodic and (at least in this typical example) is an energy signal.
- We need to scale the FS coefficients by a factor of  $T_0$ , since there is such a difference in the definitions of energy and power.

# Energy and power

Recall

- The **energy** of a signal  $x(t)$  is defined as

$$E \triangleq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)|^2 dt.$$

If  $E$  is finite ( $E < \infty$ ) then  $x(t)$  is called an **energy signal** and  $P = 0$ .

- The **average power** of a signal is defined as

$$P \triangleq \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^{T} |x(t)|^2 dt.$$

If  $P$  is finite and nonzero, then  $x(t)$  is called a **power signal**.

## General treatment (5)

Define:

$$F_{T_0}(k\omega_0) \triangleq T_0 c_k = \int_{-T_0/2}^{T_0/2} f(t) e^{-jk\omega_0 t} dt,$$

then

$$F_{T_0}(\omega) = \int_{-T_0/2}^{T_0/2} f(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt.$$

Although  $F_{T_0}(\cdot)$  is only valid for the values  $\omega = k\omega_0$ , as  $T_0$  increases these values become ever closer together, so there are “more and more” valid values. In the limit we have the following expression, valid for all  $\omega$ :

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So we see how to compute a FT  $F(\omega)$  from an aperiodic signal  $f(t)$ . But this would be of limited utility if we could not also recover  $f(t)$  from  $F(\omega)$ . Fortunately, we can!

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For a periodic signal, such as our  $x_{T_0}(t)$ , we can recover it from its coefficients by summing:

$$x_{T_0}(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{jk\omega_0 t}$$

$$= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{F_{T_0}(k\omega_0)}{T_0} e^{jk\omega_0 t}$$

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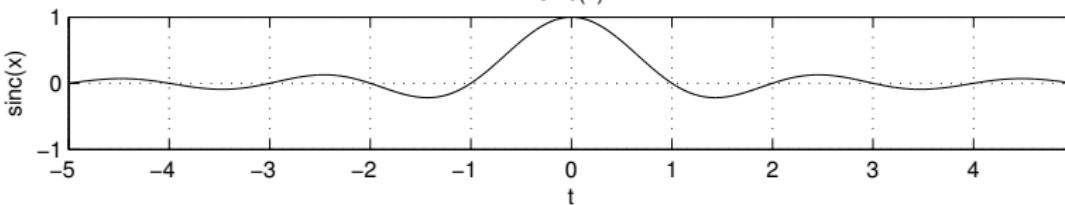
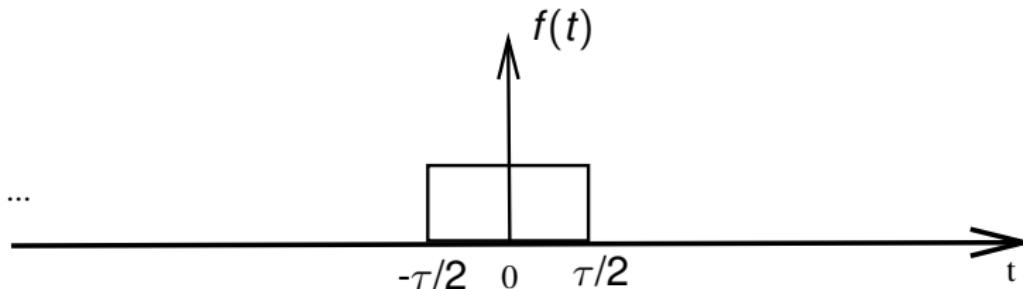
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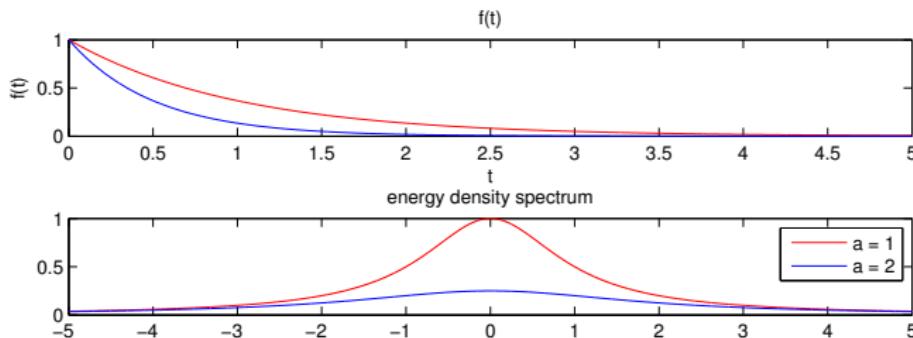
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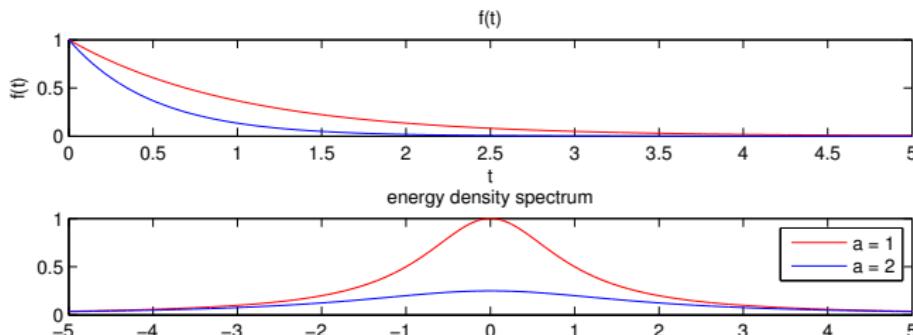
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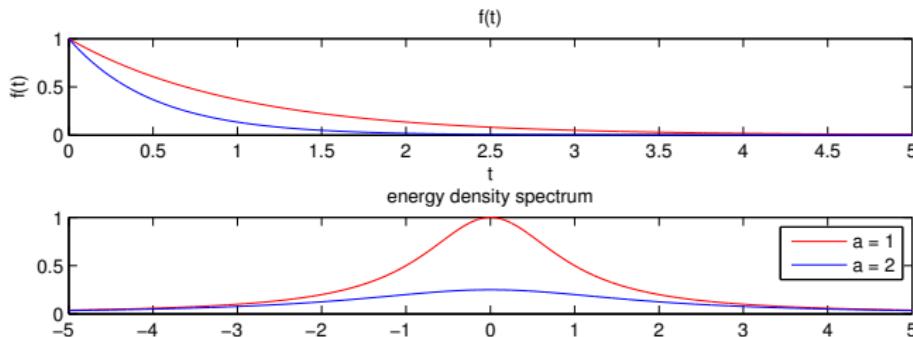
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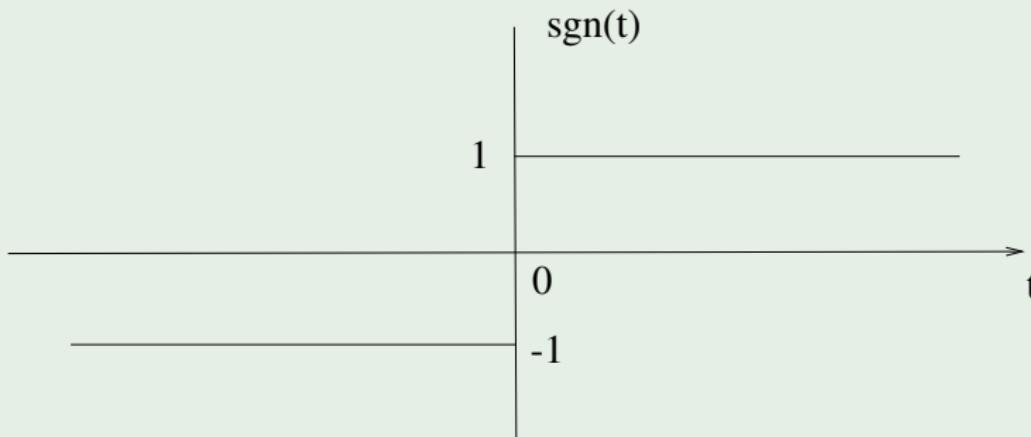
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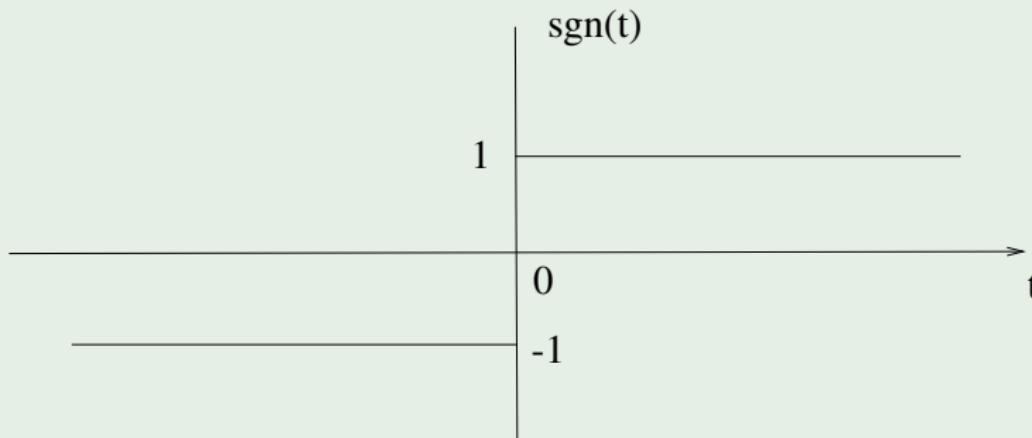


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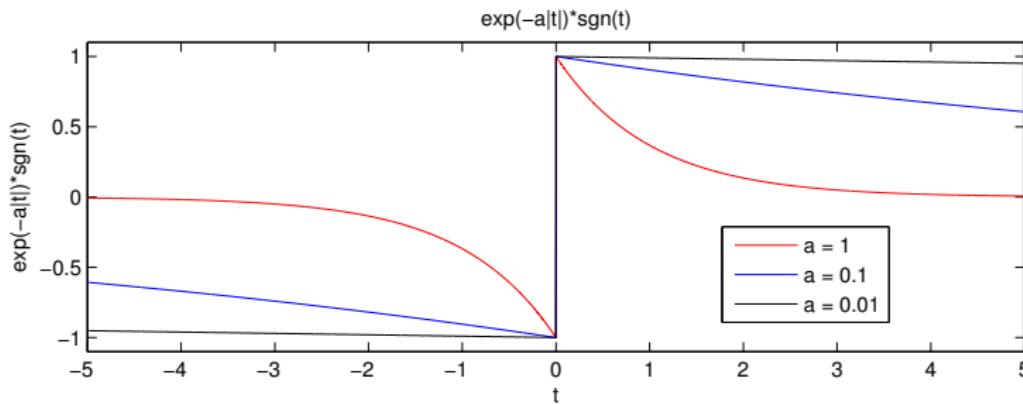


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To find its FT, consider

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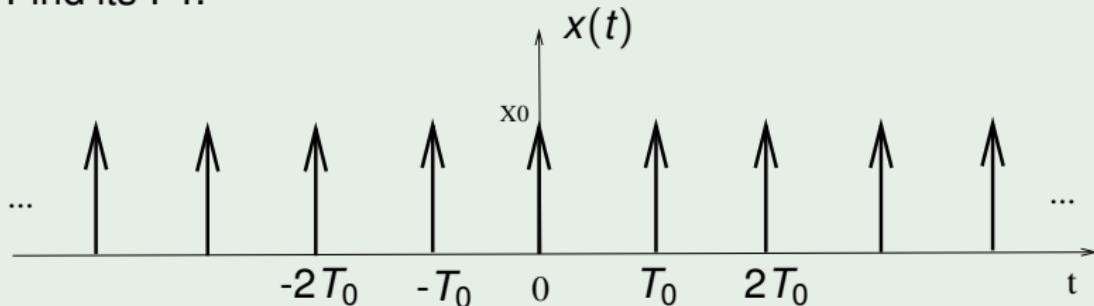
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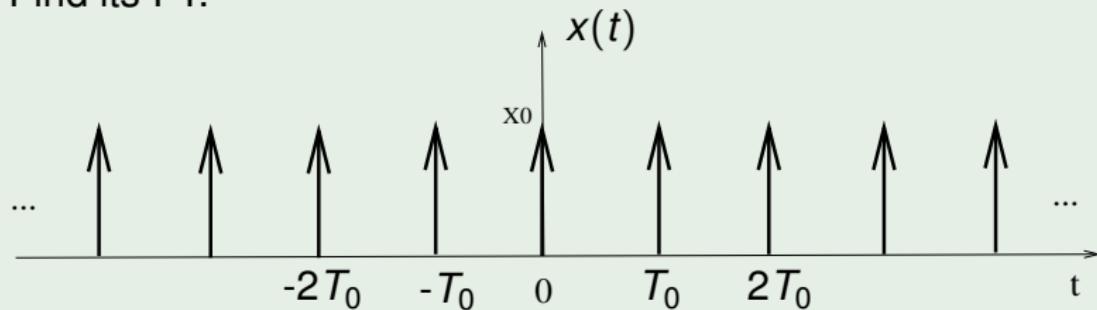
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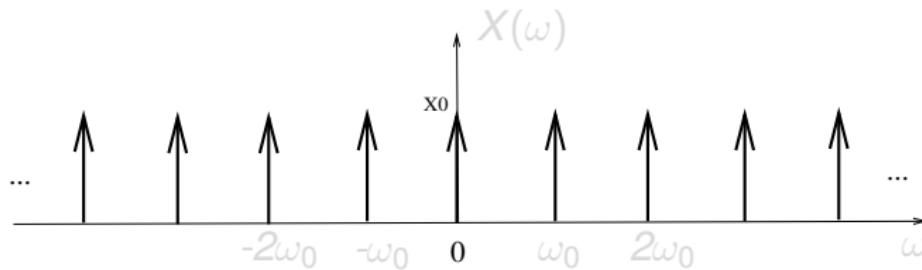
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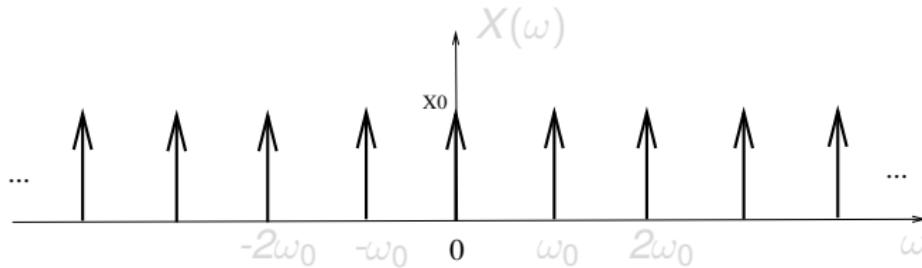
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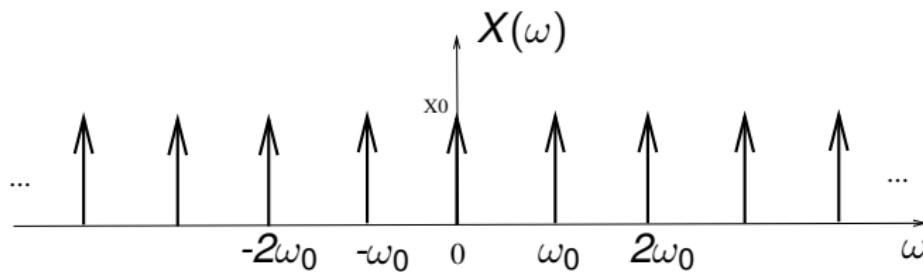
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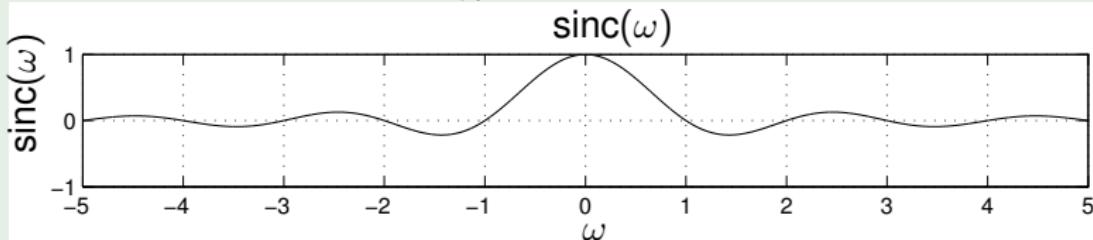
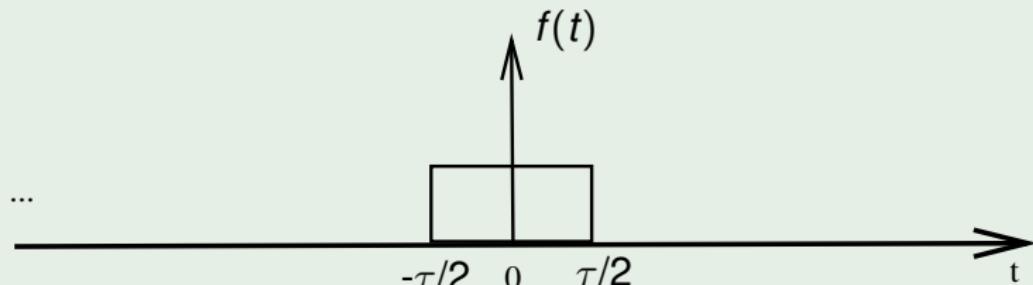
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## Property

*Convolution (particularly useful for LTI systems)*

$$y(t) = h(t) * x(t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} Y(\omega) = H(\omega)X(\omega)$$

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by the **sampling property** of impulse functions. So

$$Y(\omega) = H(\omega_0)2\pi\delta(\omega - \omega_0) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \boxed{y(t) = H(\omega_0)e^{j\omega_0 t}}$$

as we have seen previously.

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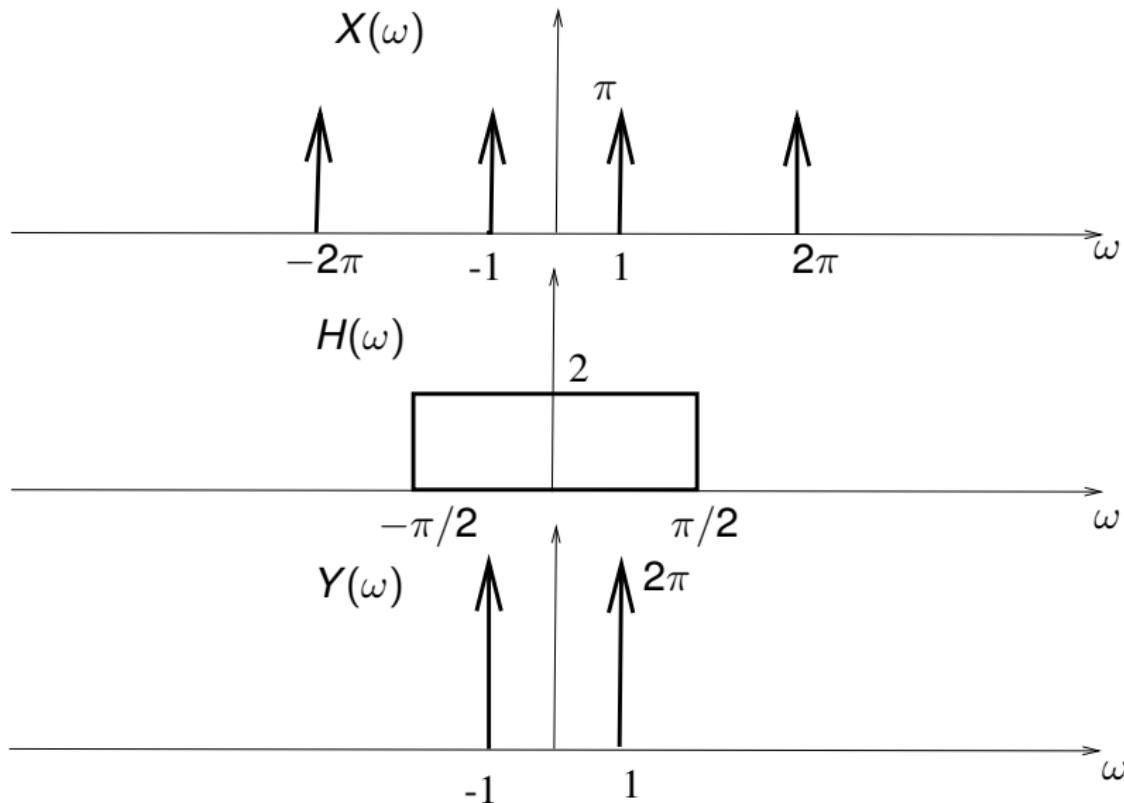
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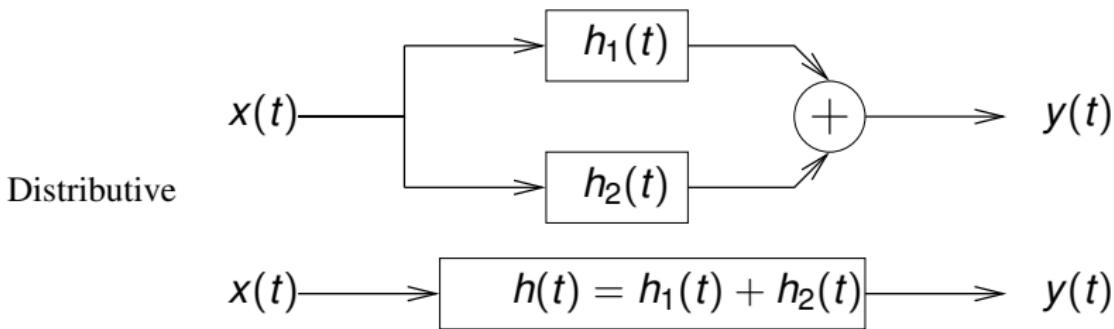
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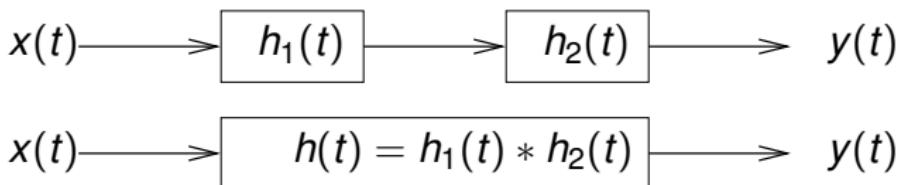
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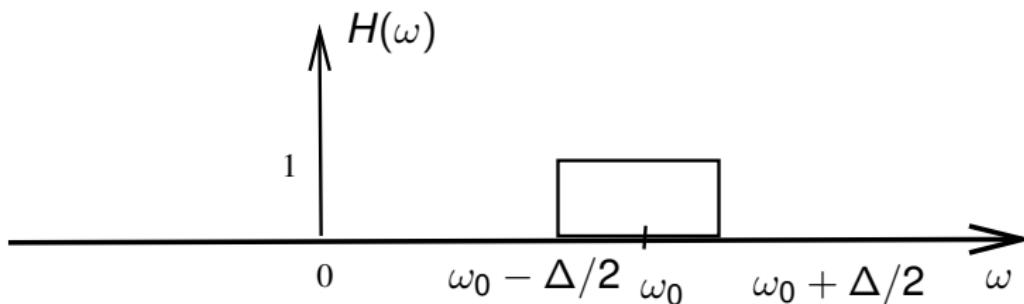
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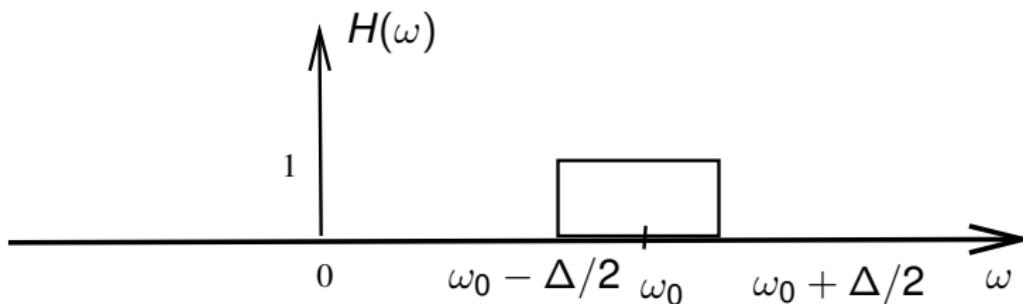
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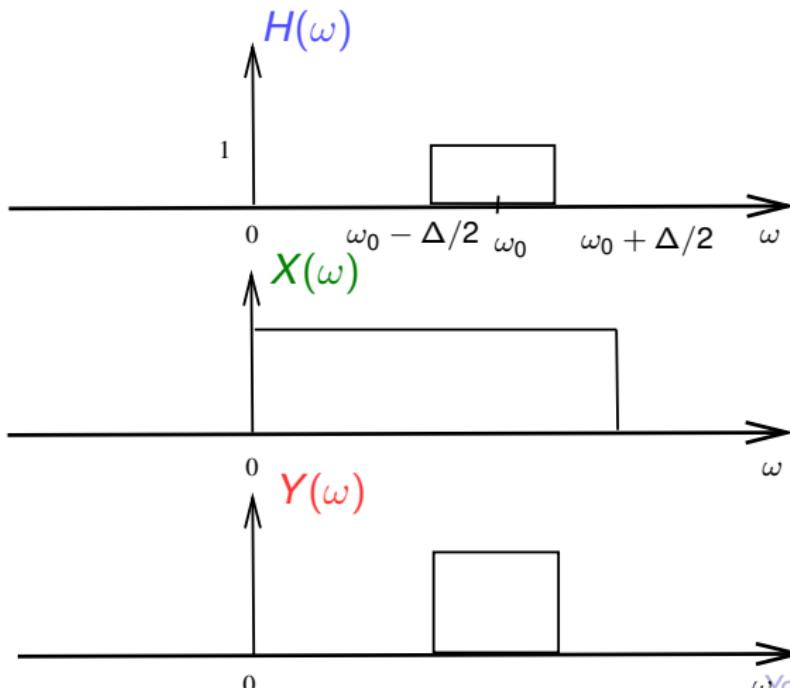


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# Pulsed cosine (1)

## Example

pulsed cosine.

Find FT of

$$f(t) = \text{rect}(t/T) \cos(\omega_0 t).$$

Plot its signal spectrum and energy density spectrum.

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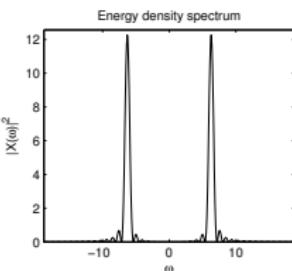
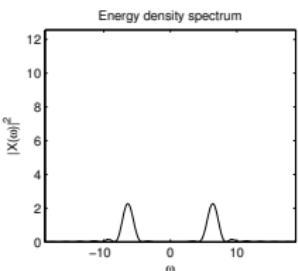
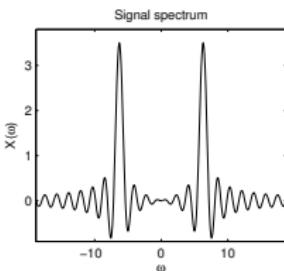
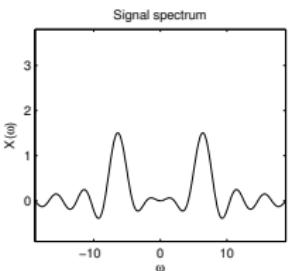
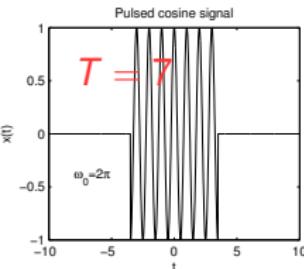
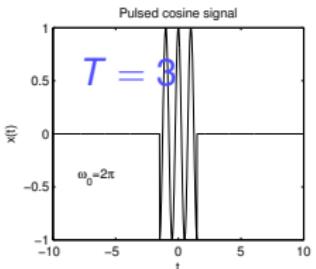
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## Pulsed cosine (4)

This type of signal is used in digital communications.

The following **practical tradeoff** is unavoidable:

increasing  $T$  will narrow the spectrum (use less bandwidth),  
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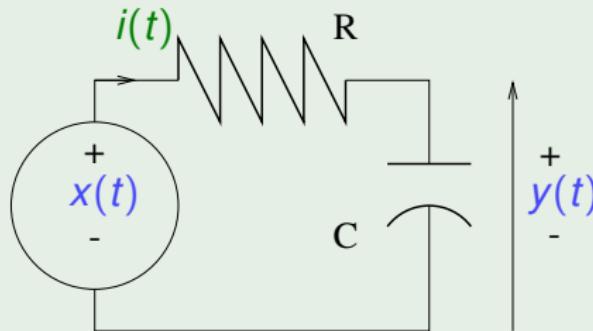
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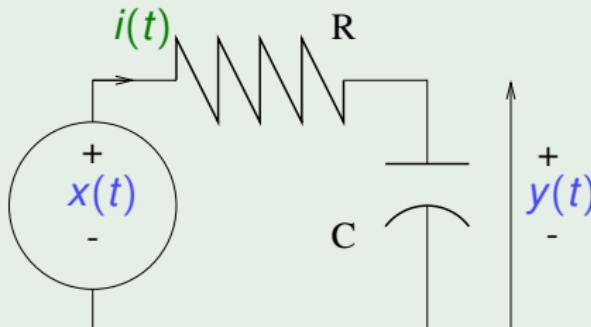
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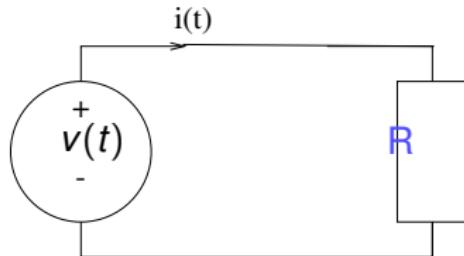
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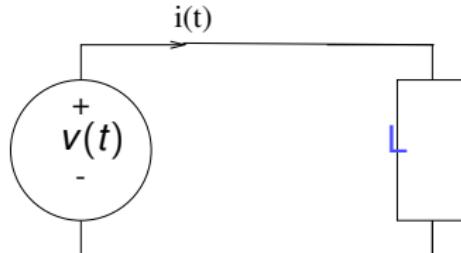
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# Inductor



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So by the differentiation property

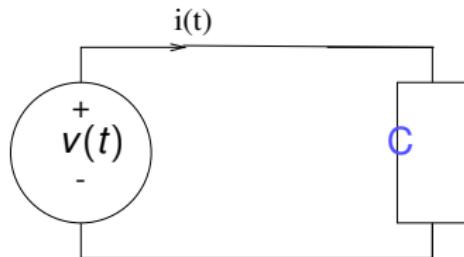
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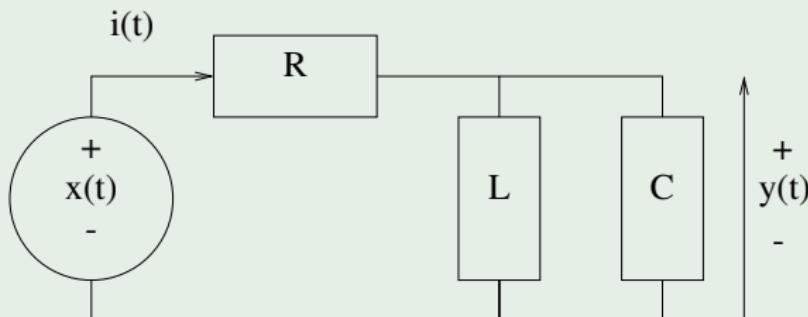
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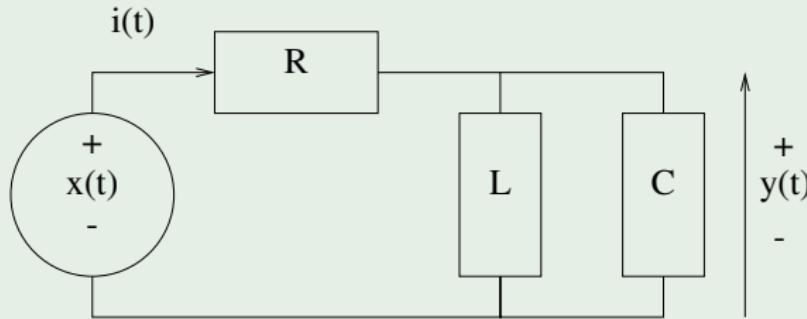
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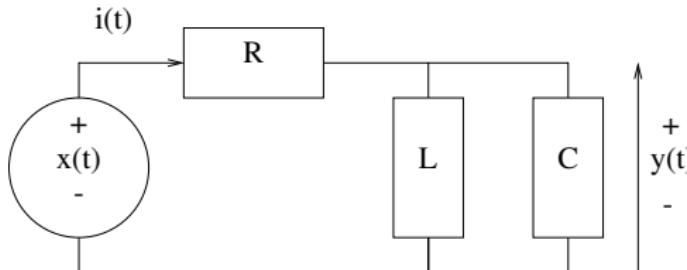
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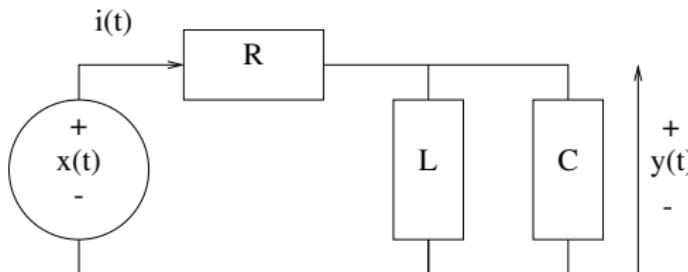
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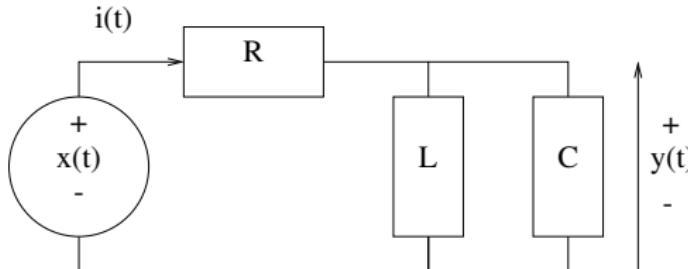
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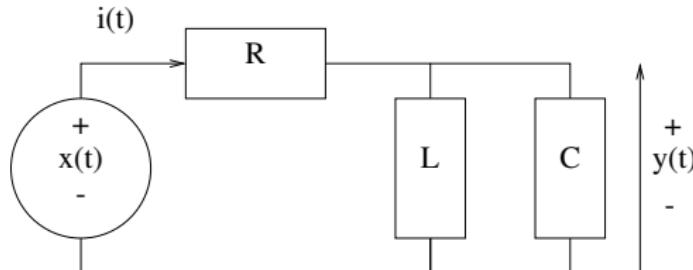
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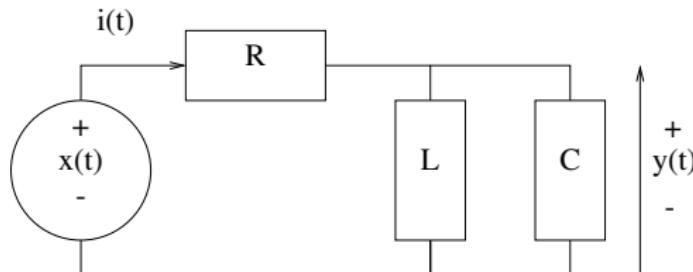


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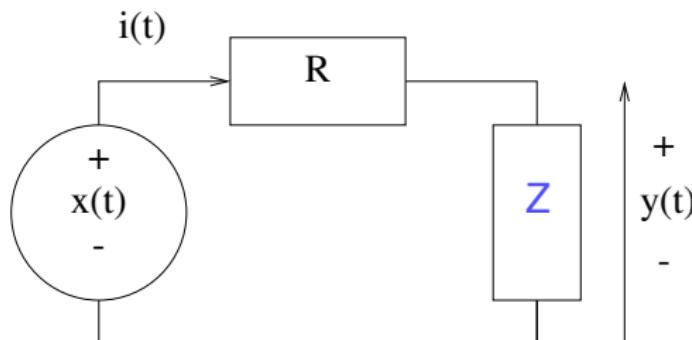
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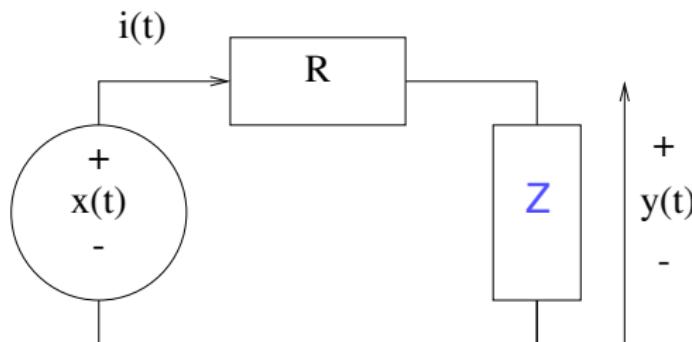


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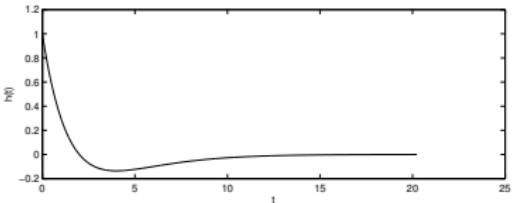
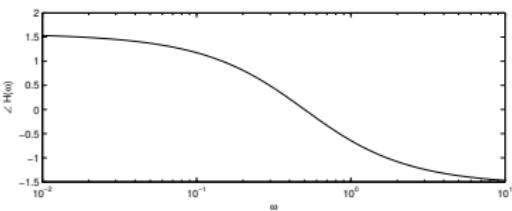
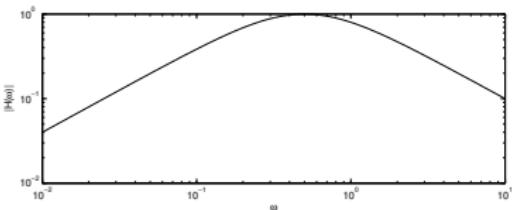
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Now it is trivial to plot magnitude and phase response using MATLAB's `freqs` command for given RLC values.



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b = [1 0]; %start from higher-order coefficients
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[h,t] = impulse(sys);
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