

Chap 4.1

The goal of Fourier analysis of signals is to break up all signals into summations of sinusoidal components

Continuous-time sinusoids

continuous time sinusoidal signal can be represented as a function of time t

$$x(t) = A \cos(2\pi F_0 t + \theta), \quad -\infty < t < \infty$$

A = amplitude

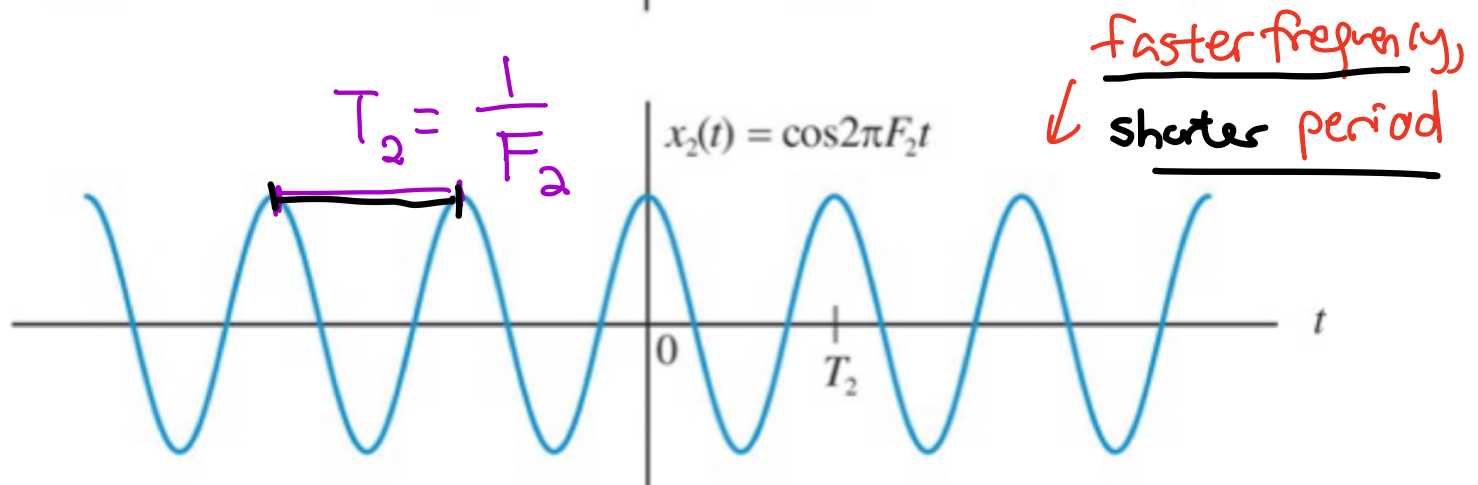
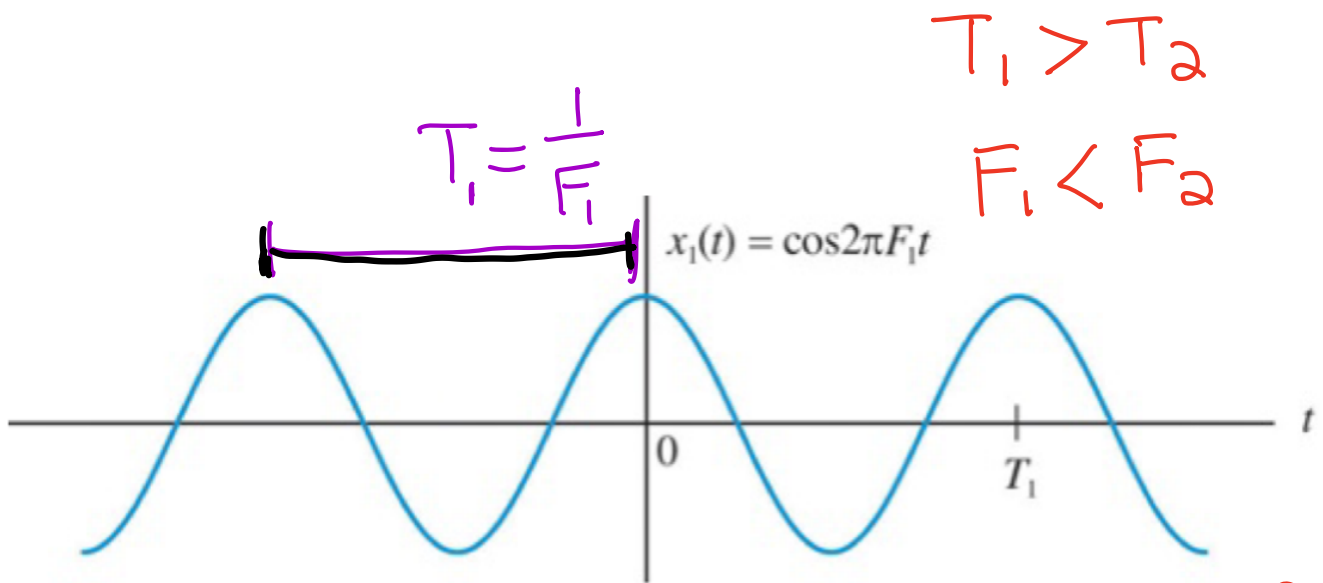
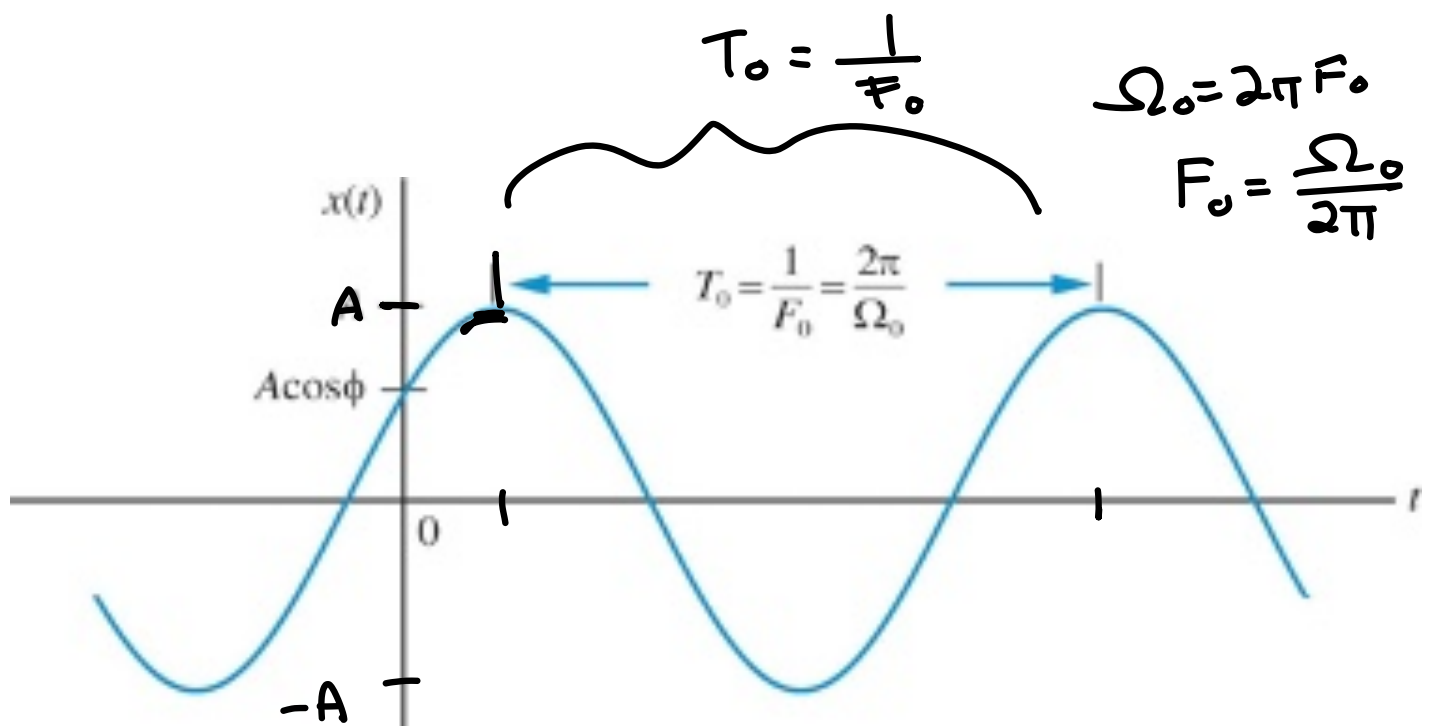
θ = phase in radian

F_0 = frequency. If we assume t is measured in seconds. Then unit of F_0 is Hertz $\left(\frac{\text{cycles}}{\text{sec.}}\right)$
(ex. 300 MHz, 2 kHz)

T_0 = fundamental period = $\frac{1}{F_0}$, unit is in time (seconds, or minutes)

In analysis it is more convenient to use angular frequency instead of frequency

$$\Omega_0 = 2\pi F_0 = \left(\frac{\text{radian}}{\text{sec}}\right)$$



Using Euler's identity, $e^{\pm j\omega} = \cos \omega \pm j \sin \omega$, we can express every sinusoidal signal in term of two complex exponentials with the same frequency:

$$A \cos(\Omega_0 t + \theta) = \frac{A}{2} e^{j\theta} e^{j\Omega_0 t} + \frac{A}{2} e^{-j\theta} e^{-j\Omega_0 t}$$

Therefore, we can study the properties of sinusoids by studying the properties of complex exponentials

Complex exponentials are harmonically related if their frequencies are integer multiples of the same fundamental frequency

Set of harmonically related complex exponentials are $e^{jk\Omega_0 t}$, $k=0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$

$k=1$, $e^{j\Omega_0 t}$ is the fundamental harmonic of the set

$e^{jk\Omega_0 t}$ is the k^{th} harmonic of the set

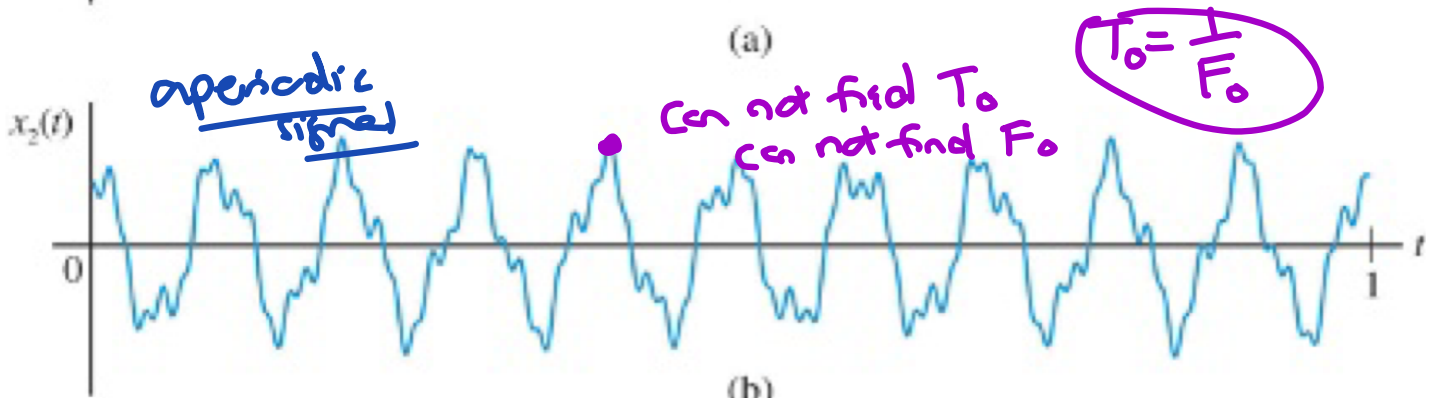
-All harmonically related complex exponentials have the same fundamental period T_0

$$F_0 = 10 \text{ Hz}$$

$$x_1(t) = \frac{1}{3} \cos(2\pi F_0 t) - \frac{1}{10} \cos(2\pi 3F_0 t) + \frac{1}{20} \cos(2\pi 5F_0 t)$$

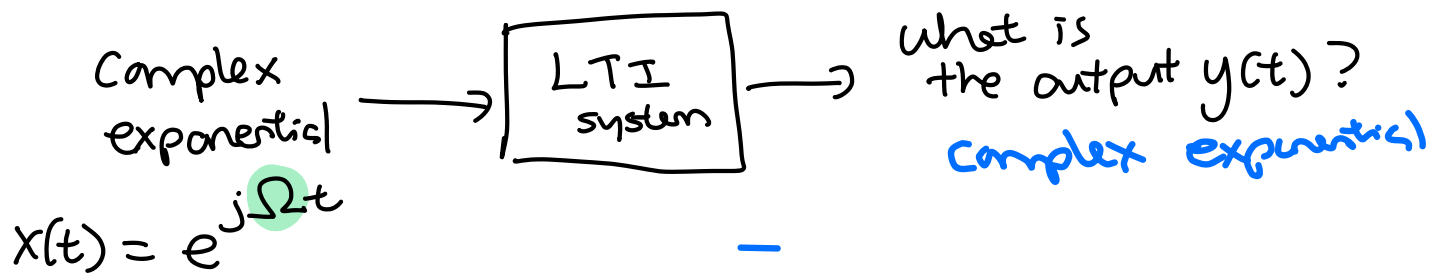


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$$x_2(t) = \frac{1}{3} \cos(2\pi F_0 t) - \frac{1}{10} \cos(2\pi \sqrt{8} F_0 t) + \frac{1}{20} \cos(2\pi \sqrt{51} F_0 t)$$



Complex exponentials are special inputs of LTI system. The output $y(t)$ of LTI system is also a complex exponential at the same frequency as the input

$$y(t) = H(j\Omega) \underline{e^{j\Omega t}}, \quad -\infty < t < \infty$$

There is a special connection between LTI system and (sum of) complex exponential inputs