

# FT representation of periodic signals

- It's sometimes quite ~~unnecessary~~ inconvenient that under the formal definition, periodic signals do not have a Fourier Transform.
  - However, if we allow the FT to contain impulses we can get around this.
  - Consider a periodic signal with fundamental frequency  $\omega_0$ .

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x[k] e^{j k \omega t}$$

i.e.,  $x(t)$  is a linear combination of complex exponentials

- To find a FT of  $z(t)$ , we need to know the FT of  $e^{jk\omega_0 t}$ .
  - We already have that  $1 \xleftrightarrow{\text{FT}} 2\pi \delta(\omega)$
  - Hence using the frequency shift property,

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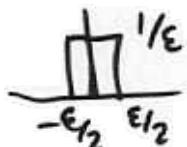
$$X(j\omega) = \int x(t) e^{j\omega t} dt$$

$$= \sum_k x[k] \int e^{jk\omega_0 t} e^{-j\omega t} dt$$

$$= 2\pi \sum_k x[k] \delta(\omega - k\omega_0)$$

a weighted sum of spikes (Fig 4.4)

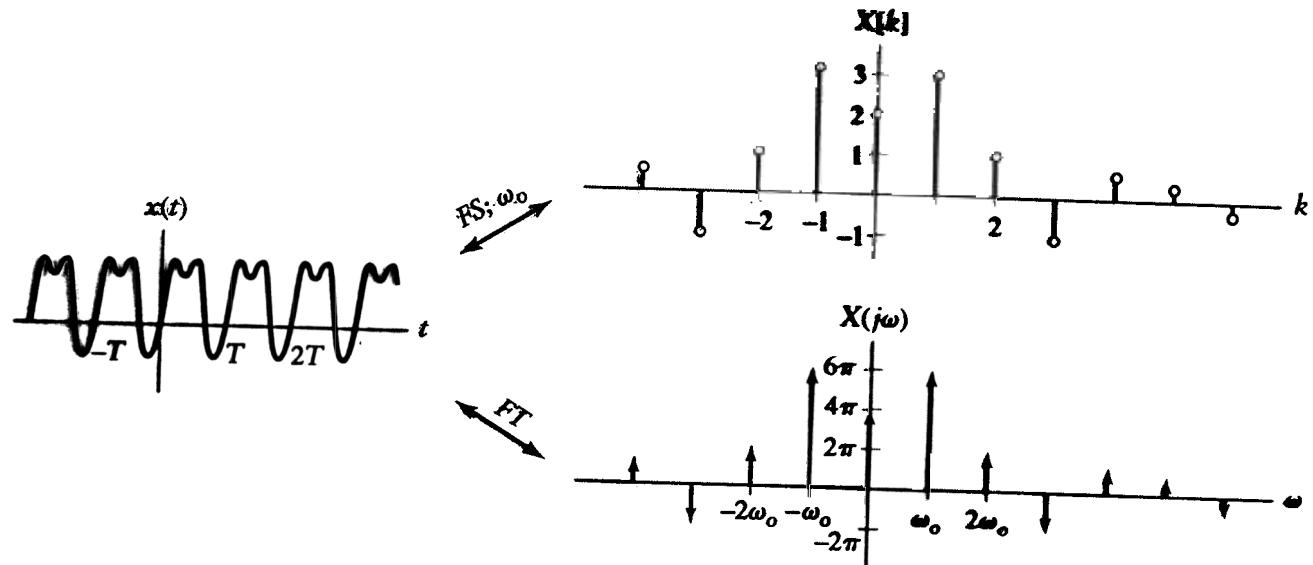
Recall that



$$\alpha \delta(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \neq 0 \\ \infty & x = 0 \end{cases}$$

and has area  $\alpha$

- We often adjust the ~~size~~ ~~size~~ size of the spikes to reflect the area.
- All spikes actually go off to  $\infty$ .



**FIGURE 4.4** FS and FT representations for a periodic continuous-time signal.

What happens in discrete-time?

$$| \longleftrightarrow 2\pi \sum_m \delta(\omega - 2\pi m)$$

Note periodic in  $\omega$  with period  $2\pi$ .

Therefore

$$e^{j\omega_0 n} \xrightarrow{\text{DTFT}} 2\pi \sum_m \delta(\omega - k\omega_0 - 2\pi m).$$

- Seeing as DTFT is periodic with period  $2\pi$ , we usually focus on  $-\pi < \omega \leq \pi$ .

- Today's discussion is most useful in the study of analog and digital communication systems in a continuous-time setting
- In this case, messages are multiplied by a periodic signal. (often called modulation of the periodic signal by the message).
- We know that for non-periodic signals, multiplication in time  $\xleftrightarrow{\text{FT}}$  convolution in frequency  
 $y(t) = g(t)x(t) \xleftrightarrow{\text{FT}} Y(j\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} G(j\omega) * X(j\omega)$
- What happens when  $x(t)$  is periodic?  
 Well  $X(j\omega) = 2\pi \sum_k X[k] \delta(\omega - k\omega_c)$
- Recall sifting property of impulse  
 $G(j\omega) * \delta(\omega - \omega_c) = \int G(j(\omega - \lambda)) \delta(\lambda - \omega_c) d\lambda$   
 $= G(j(\omega - \omega_c))$
- Using this result + linearity, for periodic  $x(t)$ ,  
 $y(t) = g(t)x(t) \xleftrightarrow{\text{FT}} Y(j\omega) = \sum_k X[k] G(j(\omega - k\omega_c))$

That is,

$$y(t) = g(t)x(t) \xleftrightarrow{\text{FT}} Y(j\omega) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} X[k] G(j(\omega - k\omega_0))$$

Sum weighted frequency shifted  
FTs of  $g(t)$

EXAMPLE (Section 5.4). - TRANSMISSION SPECTRUM OF AN AM signal

- Consider a sinusoidal carrier

$$c(t) = A_c \cos \omega_c t$$

- and a message  $m(t)$ .

- In Amplitude modulation (AM) we transmit information by changing the amplitude of the carrier in proportion to the message

$$s(t) = A_c (1 + \bar{k}m(t)) \cos(\omega_c t)$$

- What is the spectrum of  $s(t)$  ?

- $A_c \cos(\omega_c t)$  is periodic with fundamental frequency  $\omega_c$

\* Using standard formulae, (Euler)

$$c(t) = \frac{A_c}{2} e^{-j\omega_c t} + \frac{A_c}{2} e^{j\omega_c t}$$

- But this is already in the form of a Fourier Series.

i.e.  $X[k] = \begin{cases} \frac{A_c}{2} & k=1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

Now  $s(t) = \frac{A_c}{2} e^{-j\omega_c t} + \frac{A_c}{2} e^{j\omega_c t} + \frac{\bar{I}A_c}{2} m(t)e^{-j\omega_c t} + \frac{I A_c}{2} m(t)e^{j\omega_c t}$

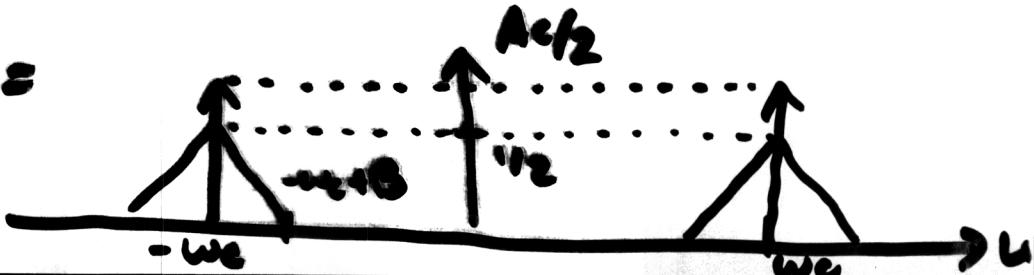
Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} S(j\omega) &= \frac{A_c}{2} \delta(\omega + \omega_c) + \frac{A_c}{2} \delta(\omega - \omega_c) \\ &\quad + \frac{\bar{I}A_c}{2} M(j(\omega + \omega_c)) + \frac{I A_c}{2} M(j(\omega - \omega_c)) \end{aligned}$$

If  $M(j\omega) =$



Then  $S(j\omega) =$



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