

EE 120: SIGNALS AND SYSTEMS, FALL 2019

Midterm 1, October 3, Thursday, 12:10-2:00 pm

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Important Instructions:

**Closed book.** As announced before, you can use one letter-size, two-sided cheatsheet.

**Show all your work.** An answer without explanation is not acceptable and does not guarantee any credit.

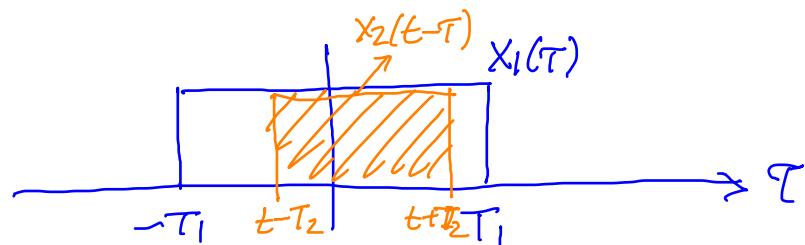
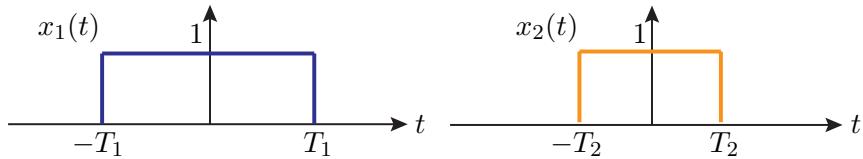
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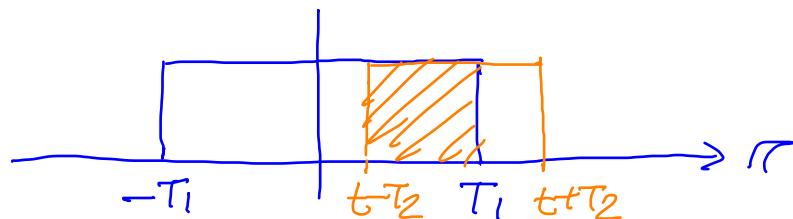
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2	20
3	20
4	20
5	20
Total	100

1. (Convolution)

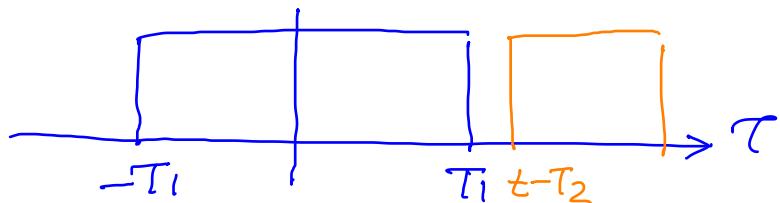
- a) (10 points) Find the convolution  $x_1 * x_2$  for the signals  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  below, where  $T_1 > T_2$ . Plot and clearly label  $(x_1 * x_2)(t)$ .



$$\text{Area} = 2T_2 \quad \text{if} \quad |t| \leq T_1 - T_2$$

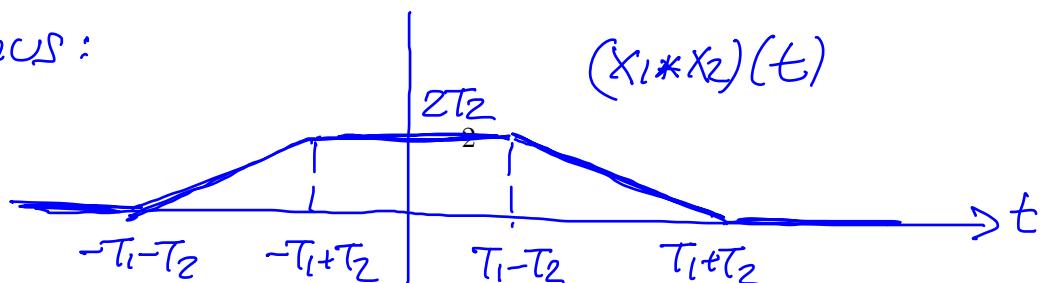


$$\text{Area} = T_1 + T_2 - |t| \quad \text{if} \quad T_1 \leq |t| \leq T_1 + T_2$$



$$\text{Area} = 0 \quad (\text{no overlap}) \quad \text{if} \quad |t| \geq T_1 + T_2$$

Thus:



b) (5 points) Express the integral  $\int_{-\infty}^{t-1} x(\tau)d\tau$  as a convolution  $(x * g)(t)$  with a signal  $g$  that you will determine.

$$\int_{-\infty}^{t-1} x(\tau)d\tau = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) k(t, \tau) d\tau$$

where  $k(t, \tau) = \begin{cases} 1 & \tau \leq t-1 \\ 0 & \tau > t-1. \end{cases}$

$$\text{Note } k(t, \tau) = \begin{cases} 1 & t-\tau \geq 1 \\ 0 & t-\tau < 1 \end{cases}$$

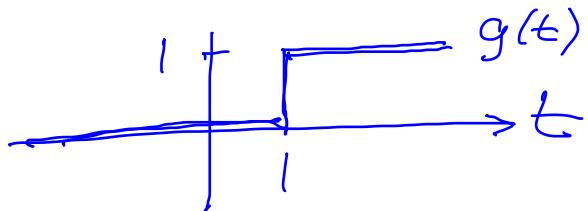
$$= u(t-\tau-1)$$

where  $u(\cdot)$  is the unit step.

Therefore we can write the integral as

$$(x * g)(t)$$

where  $g(t) = u(t-1)$ .



c) (5 points) Find a continuous-time signal  $x$ , not identically equal to zero, such that  $x * x = x$ .

Recall

$$x(t) = \frac{W}{\pi} \operatorname{sinc}\left(\frac{W}{\pi}t\right) \quad \xleftrightarrow{\text{FT}} \quad X(\omega)$$

From the convolution property of FT,

$$(x * x)(t) \Leftrightarrow X(\omega)X(\omega) = X(\omega).$$

Therefore  $x(t) = \frac{W}{\pi} \operatorname{sinc}\left(\frac{W}{\pi}t\right)$   
is a valid answer for any  $W$ ,  
including the unit impulse  $\delta$   
which we recover as  $W \rightarrow \infty$ .

2. (LTI Systems) Consider a LTI system defined by the difference equation:

$$y[n] - 1.1y[n-1] + 0.3y[n-2] = 2x[n] - x[n-1]. \quad (1)$$

- a) (6 points) Find the frequency response  $H(e^{j\omega})$  for (1).
- b) (8 points) Find the impulse response  $h[n]$  for (1).
- c) (6 points) Determine if (1) is a stable system.

a) Since  $x[n] = e^{j\omega n}$  gives  
 $y[n] = H(e^{j\omega})e^{j\omega n}$ ,  
we can substitute these in (1):

$$\begin{aligned} & (1 - 1.1e^{-j\omega} + 0.3e^{-2j\omega}) H(e^{j\omega}) e^{j\omega n} \\ &= (2 - e^{-j\omega}) e^{j\omega n} \end{aligned}$$

and obtain:

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{2 - e^{-j\omega}}{1 - 1.1e^{-j\omega} + 0.3e^{-2j\omega}}$$

b)  $H(e^{j\omega})$  above is a valid answer  
but it actually simplifies more:

$$= \frac{2(1 - 0.5e^{-j\omega})}{(1 - 0.5e^{-j\omega})(1 - 0.6e^{-j\omega})} = \frac{2}{1 - 0.6e^{-j\omega}}$$

Therefore,  $h[n] = 2(0.6)^n u[n]$

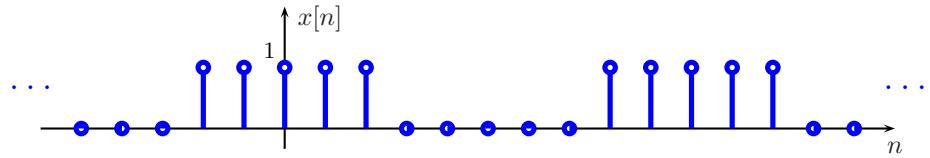
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c) Stable because

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |h[n]| = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2(0.6)^n < \infty.$$
$$= 2 \frac{1}{1-0.6} = \frac{2}{0.4} = 5$$

3. (Fourier Series) Given the period-10 sequence  $x[n]$  depicted below, determine the following quantities where  $a_k$  denotes the  $k$ th Fourier series coefficient:

- a) (4 points)  $a_0$ ,
- b) (4 points)  $a_5$ ,
- c) (4 points) Imaginary part of  $a_7$ .
- d) (4 points)  $\sum_{k=0}^9 a_k$ ,
- e) (4 points)  $\sum_{k=0}^9 (-1)^k a_k$ .



$$a) a_0 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] = \frac{5}{10} = 0.5$$

$$\begin{aligned} b) a_5 &= \frac{1}{10} \sum_{n=0}^{9} x[n] e^{-j \frac{2\pi}{10} 5n} = \frac{1}{10} \sum_{n=0}^{9} x[n] (-1)^n \\ &= \frac{1}{10} (1 - 1 + 1 - 1 + 1) = 0.1 \end{aligned}$$

c)  $x$  is even symmetric

so  $a_k$  is real for all  $k \Rightarrow \text{Im}\{a_k\} = 0$ .

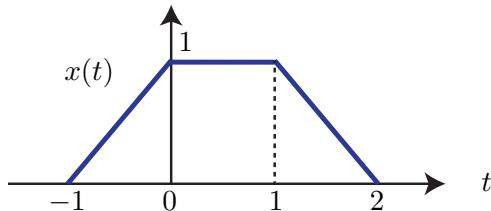
$$d) \sum_{k=0}^9 a_k = \sum_{k=0}^9 a_k e^{j \frac{2\pi}{10} kn} = x[n] \Big|_{n=0} = x[0] = 1$$

$$e) \sum_{k=0}^9 (-1)^k a_k = \sum_{k=0}^9 a_k e^{j \pi k} = \sum_{k=0}^9 a_k e^{j \frac{2\pi}{10} kn} \Big|_{n=5} = x[5] = 0$$

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4. (Properties of the Fourier Transform) To answer the following questions you can use relevant properties of the Fourier Transform along with Fourier Transform pairs already derived in class.

- a) (5 points) Find the Fourier Transform of the signal shown below.



Many ways to do this. For examples, we showed in class:

$$g(t) : \begin{array}{c} \text{Graph of } g(t) \text{ is a triangle from } t=-1 \text{ to } t=1 \text{ with height } 1. \\ \text{At } t=0, \text{ value is } 1. \end{array} \Leftrightarrow G(\omega) = \operatorname{sinc}^2\left(\frac{\omega}{2\pi}\right)$$

Note that  $x(t) = g(t) + g(t-1)$   
and  $g(t-1) \Leftrightarrow e^{-j\omega} G(\omega)$ . By linearity,

$$\begin{aligned} X(\omega) &= (1 + e^{-j\omega}) G(\omega) \\ &= (1 + e^{-j\omega}) \operatorname{sinc}^2\left(\frac{\omega}{2\pi}\right) \end{aligned}$$

b) (5 points) Find the Fourier Transform of the signal:

$$x(t) = \begin{cases} \cos(10\pi t) & |t| \leq 0.5 \\ 0 & |t| > 0.5. \end{cases}$$

$$x(t) = \cos(10\pi t) \cdot \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ \hline -0.5 & 0.5 \end{array} \rightarrow t$$

Multiplication  
Property:

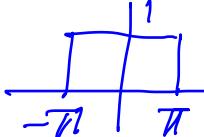
$$\begin{aligned} X(\omega) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left( \pi \delta(\omega - 10\pi) + \pi \delta(\omega + 10\pi) \right) * \left( \text{sinc}\left(\frac{\omega}{2\pi}\right) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \delta(\omega - 10\pi) * \text{sinc}\left(\frac{\omega}{2\pi}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \delta(\omega + 10\pi) * \text{sinc}\left(\frac{\omega}{2\pi}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \text{sinc}\left(\frac{\omega - 10\pi}{2\pi}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \text{sinc}\left(\frac{\omega + 10\pi}{2\pi}\right) \end{aligned}$$

c) (5 points) Evaluate the integral:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \operatorname{sinc}^2(t) dt.$$

Parseval's Relation:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)|^2 dt = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |X(\omega)|^2 d\omega$$

Since  $\operatorname{sinc} t \leftrightarrow$  

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \operatorname{sinc}^2(t) dt = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\omega = \frac{1}{2\pi} 2\pi = 1$$

d) (5 points) Prove the following property of convolution:

$$(f * g)' = f' * g = f * g'$$

where ' represents the derivative:  $f'(t) := df(t)/dt$ .

Note  $f'(t) \xleftrightarrow{\text{FT}} j\omega F(\omega)$  — (1)  
and  $g'(t) \xleftrightarrow{\text{FT}} j\omega G(\omega)$  — (2)

from the derivative property.

Also  $(f * g)(t) \xleftrightarrow{\text{FT}} F(\omega)G(\omega)$   
from the convolution property.

Thus,  $(f * g)'(t) \xleftrightarrow{\text{FT}} j\omega F(\omega)G(\omega)$ .

If we view this as  $(j\omega F(\omega))G(\omega)$   
then the inverse FT is  $f' * g$

from (1) and the convolution property.

If we view it as  $F(\omega)(j\omega G(\omega))$  then  
the inverse FT is  $f * g'$ . Thus

$$(f * g)' = f' * g = f * g'$$

5. Define the cosine transform by:

$$X^{\cos}(\omega) := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) \cos(\omega t) dt.$$

- a) (7 points) Show that, when  $x$  is real valued, the cosine transform is the real part of the Fourier Transform:  $X^{\cos}(\omega) = \operatorname{Re}\{X(\omega)\}$ .
- b) (6 points) Show that the cosine transform is linear. In other words, for any two signals  $x_1, x_2$ , and constants  $\alpha, \beta$ , the cosine transform of  $\alpha x_1 + \beta x_2$  is  $\alpha X_1^{\cos} + \beta X_2^{\cos}$ , where  $X_i^{\cos}$  is the cosine transform of  $x_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ .
- c) (7 points) Show that  $X^{\cos}(\omega) = 0$  for all  $\omega$  when  $x$  is real and odd-symmetric:  $x(-t) = -x(t)$  for all  $t$ .

a) Substitute  $\cos \omega t = \frac{e^{j\omega t} + e^{-j\omega t}}{2}$ .

Then  $X^{\cos}(\omega) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{j\omega t} dt + \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt$ .

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$\overbrace{x(-\omega)}$   $\overbrace{x(\omega)}$

$= X^*(\omega)$  since  $x$  real

Thus,  $X^{\cos}(\omega) = \frac{1}{2} (X^*(\omega) + X(\omega))$  (conjugate symmetry property)

$= \operatorname{Re}\{X(\omega)\}$ .

b) 
$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\alpha x_1(t) + \beta x_2(t)) \cos \omega t dt \\ &= \alpha \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_1(t) \cos \omega t dt + \beta \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_2(t) \cos \omega t dt \\ &= \alpha X_1^{\cos}(\omega) + \beta X_2^{\cos}(\omega). \end{aligned}$$

c) When  $x$  is real and odd symmetric  
(i.e.,  $x(-t) = -x(t)$ )  $\operatorname{Re}\{X(\omega)\} = 0$ .

Therefore  $X^{\cos}(\omega) = \operatorname{Re}\{X(\omega)\} = 0$ ,

Alternatively you can directly observe the odd symmetry in the integral:

$$X^{\cos}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) \cos \omega t \, dt.$$

Since  $x(-t) \cos(-\omega t) = x(-t) \cos \omega t$   
the integral  $\int_{-\infty}^a x(t) \cos \omega t \, dt = -\int_a^{\infty} x(t) \cos \omega t \, dt$