

6.300: Signal Processing

Quiz Review

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- Solving problems: Quiz #2 from spring 2025

Calculus and Signal Processing

You wouldn't want to walk into a calculus quiz without knowing

$$\frac{d \sin(\theta)}{d\theta} = \cos(\theta)$$

by heart, right? Going back to the derivation wastes precious time!

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{\phi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(\theta + \phi) - \sin(\theta)}{\phi} \\ & \lim_{\phi \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(\theta) \cos(\phi) + \sin(\phi) \cos(\theta) - \sin(\theta)}{\phi} \\ & \lim_{\phi \rightarrow 0} \underbrace{\left[\frac{\sin(\phi)}{\phi} \right]}_{1 \text{ as } \phi \rightarrow 0} \cos(\theta) + \lim_{\phi \rightarrow 0} \underbrace{\left[\frac{\cos(\phi) - 1}{\phi} \right]}_{0 \text{ as } \phi \rightarrow 0} \sin(\theta) \end{aligned}$$

Calculus and Signal Processing

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common functions and their **derivatives**

$$\frac{d(t^n)}{dt} = nt^{n-1} \quad \frac{d(e^{\lambda t})}{dt} = \lambda e^{\lambda t} \quad \frac{d \sin(t)}{dt} = \cos(t)$$

differentiation rules

$$\frac{d[c_1 f(t) + c_2 g(t)]}{dt} = c_1 \frac{df}{dt} + c_2 \frac{dg}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dg(f(t))}{dt} = \frac{dg}{df} \cdot \frac{df}{dt}$$

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common signals and their **Fourier transforms**

$$\delta(t - t_0) \iff e^{-j\omega t_0} \quad e^{j\omega_0 t} \iff 2\pi\delta(\omega - \omega_0)$$

Fourier properties

$$c_1 x_1(t) + c_2 x_2(t) \iff c_1 X_1(\omega) + c_2 X_2(\omega)$$

$$x(t - t_0) \iff e^{-j\omega t_0} X(\omega)$$

$$e^{j\omega_0 t} x(t) \iff X(\omega - \omega_0)$$

If you're getting caught up on "level one" problems, it's difficult to do "level two" problems.

Fourier Representations

	type of time-domain signal			domain	period
CTFS	CT	period T	infinite length	integer k	none
DTFS	DT	period N	infinite length	integer k	N
CTFT	CT	aperiodic	infinite length	real ω	none
DTFT	DT	aperiodic	infinite length	real Ω	2π
DFT	DT	aperiodic	length N	integer k	N

Periodic signals have both **Fourier series** and **Fourier transform** representations.

- Fourier series coefficients: $X[k]$
- Fourier transform: $X(\omega) = \sum_k 2\pi X[k]\delta(\omega - k\omega_0)$

Duality of the continuous-time Fourier transform:

If $x(t) \iff X(\omega)$, then $X(t) \iff 2\pi x(-\omega)$, too.

Fourier Transform Pairs

	time	frequency
CTFT	$\delta(t - t_0)$	$e^{-j\omega t_0}$
CTFT	$e^{j\omega_0 t}$	$2\pi\delta(\omega - \omega_0)$
CTFT	$e^{-\sigma t}u(t)$ where $\sigma > 0$	$1/(\sigma + j\omega)$
DTFT	$\delta[n - n_0]$	$e^{-j\Omega n_0}$
DTFT	$e^{j\Omega_0 n}$	$2\pi\delta((\Omega - \Omega_0) \bmod 2\pi)$
DTFT	$r^n u[n]$ where $ r < 1$	$1/(1 - re^{-j\Omega})$
DFT	$\delta[n - n_0]$	$\frac{1}{N} e^{-jk \frac{2\pi}{N} n_0}$
DFT	$e^{jk_0 \frac{2\pi}{N} n}$	$\delta[(k - k_0) \bmod N]$

All DTFTs are periodic in 2π . All DFTs are periodic in N .

Fourier Transform Properties

There are a few properties worth knowing by heart, too.

- A few CTFT properties are given below.
- Analogous properties apply for other representations.

	time	frequency
time shift	$x(t - t_0)$	$e^{-j\omega t_0} X(\omega)$
frequency shift	$e^{j\omega_0 t} x(t)$	$X(\omega - \omega_0)$
scaling time	$x(at)$	$ a ^{-1} X(a^{-1}\omega)$
scaling time	$x(a^{-1}t)$	$ a X(a\omega)$
time derivative	$\frac{d}{dt} x(t)$	$j\omega X(\omega)$
frequency derivative	$t \times x(t)$	$j \frac{d}{d\omega} X(\omega)$

LTI Systems

Three equivalent representations of LTI systems:

- difference (DT) or differential (CT) equations
- unit-sample (DT) or impulse (CT) response
- frequency response

Example: System with feedback

$$y[n] = \frac{1}{2}y[n-1] + x[n]$$
$$h[n] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n] \iff H(\Omega) = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}e^{-j\Omega}}$$

Multiple equivalent ways to perform convolution:

- directly compute the sum or integral
- superposition
- flip and shift
- transform, multiply transforms, inverse transform

Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT)

The **discrete Fourier transform (DFT)** is a discrete-time, discrete-frequency Fourier transform.

- for aperiodic discrete-time (n) signals $x[n]$
- yields discrete-frequency (k) representation $X[k]$
- finite length (N) in both time and frequency

Two equivalent perspectives of the DFT:

- DTFS of periodically-extended $x_w[n] = x[n]w[n]$
- Sampled ($\Omega \rightarrow 2\pi k/N$), scaled ($1/N$) DTFT of $x_w[n]$

Circular convolution: $\frac{1}{N}(x \circledast h)[n] \iff X[k]H[k]$

- Start by computing the usual convolution $(x * h)[n]$.
- Wrap into base period: $(x \circledast h)[n] = (x * h)[n \bmod N]$.
- Finally, scale by $1/N$.

Relation Between DFT and DTFT

Graphical depiction of relation between DFT and DTFT.

