

**EE 261 The Fourier Transform and its Applications**  
**Fall 2005**  
**Final Exam, December 12, 2005**

**Notes:**

**There are 6 questions for a total of 100 points**

**Write all your answers in your exam booklets**

**Please be neat and indicate clearly the main parts of  
your solutions**

1. (15 points) (a) Let  $f(t)$  be periodic of period 1 and  $g(t)$  be periodic of period 2. Find the Fourier series of  $h(t) = f(t) + g(t)$ , that is, find the Fourier coefficients of  $h(t)$  in terms of the Fourier coefficients of  $f(t)$  and  $g(t)$ .

(b) Suppose  $f(t)$  is periodic of period  $T$ . Find a delay  $\tau_n$  so that the  $n$ 'th Fourier coefficient of  $f(t - \tau_n)$  is real and positive; real and negative; purely imaginary. The answers should be expressed in terms of the  $n$ 'th Fourier coefficient of  $f(t)$ .

2. (15 points) “Hey”, said a student excited by the sampling theorem, “I’m not so sure you need infinitely many sample points. Suppose a signal  $f(t)$  is bandlimited, like always, with  $\mathcal{F}f(s) \equiv 0$  for  $|s| \geq p/2$ , like always. Now use a *finite* version of the  $\text{III}$  function, say

$$\text{III}_p^N(x) = \sum_{k=-N}^N \delta(x - kp),$$

and we still have

$$\mathcal{F}f = \Pi_p(\mathcal{F}f * \text{III}_p^N)$$

just like in the derivation of the usual sampling theorem. Now if we take the inverse Fourier transform don’t we get  $f(t)$  back using just finitely many samples?”

Do you? What formula do you get?

3. (20 points) *Fourier transforms*

(a) Find the Fourier transform of

$$f(t) = \frac{t}{1 + 2t^2 + t^4} = \frac{t}{(1 + t^2)^2}.$$

Use

$$\mathcal{F}(e^{-|t|}) = \frac{2}{1 + 4\pi^2 s^2}.$$

(b) Find the Fourier transform of the polynomial  $f(t) = a_0 + a_1 t + a_2 t^2 + \cdots + a_n t^n$ . (This was one of Professor Osgood's quals questions a few years ago.)

(c) Given that

$$\mathcal{F}(|t|) = -\frac{1}{2\pi^2 s^2},$$

find the Fourier transform of the unit ramp

$$r(t) = \begin{cases} t, & t \geq 0, \\ 0, & t \leq 0. \end{cases}$$

(d) Find  $\underline{1} * \underline{f}$ , where  $\underline{1} = (1, 1, \dots, 1)$  and  $\underline{f}$  is a discrete signal.

4. (20 points) Let

$$\underline{f} = (\underline{f}[0], \underline{f}[1], \underline{f}[2], \underline{f}[3], \underline{f}[4])$$

be a real-valued five-point signal. Append 2 zeros to  $\underline{f}$ , making the seven-point signal

$$(\underline{f}[0], \underline{f}[1], \underline{f}[2], \underline{f}[3], \underline{f}[4], 0, 0),$$

and let  $\underline{F}$  denote the DFT of this seven-point signal. Let

$$\underline{G}[m] = \text{Re } F[m] \quad (\text{real part}),$$

and let  $\underline{g}$  be the seven-point signal whose DFT is  $\underline{G}$ .

- (a) Show that  $\underline{g}[0] = \underline{f}[0]$ .
- (b) Show that  $\underline{g}[1] = \frac{1}{2}\underline{f}[1]$ .

5. (20 points) Consider an LTI system  $y(t) = Lx(t)$ . When the input is a pulse  $x(t) = u(t) - u(t - 1)$ , where  $u(t)$  is the unit step, the output is  $y(t) = e^{-t}u(t) - e^{-(t-1)}u(t - 1)$ .
- (a) Find the impulse response of the system and the transfer function. Is the system (essentially) a low pass or a high pass filter? That is, if  $H(s)$  is the transfer function, examine the behavior of  $|H(s)|$  as  $s \rightarrow 0$  and as  $s \rightarrow \infty$ .
  - (c) Suppose the input is given by  $x(t) = \sin(2\pi\nu t)$ . Find the output  $y(t)$  in terms of *real* functions.

6. (10 points) *Projections and 3D Fourier transforms*

Let  $f(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  be a 3-dimensional function whose Fourier transform is  $\mathcal{F}f(\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3)$

(a) Let

$$g(x_1, x_2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x_1, x_2, x_3) dx_3.$$

One says that  $g$  is the projection of  $f$  *along* the  $x_3$  direction. Find  $\mathcal{F}g(\xi_1, \xi_2)$  in terms of  $\mathcal{F}f$

(b) Let

$$h(x_3) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x_1, x_2, x_3) dx_1 dx_2.$$

One says that  $h$  is the projection of  $f$  *onto* the  $x_3$  direction. Find  $\mathcal{F}h(\xi_3)$  in terms of  $\mathcal{F}f$