

Fourier Transforms in the Limit

- The conditions of existence of $X(f)$ are similar to those of the FS representation
- The sufficient conditions are called Dirichlet conditions :-
 - ① $x(t)$ is absolutely integrable
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)| dt < \infty \quad . \quad (\text{finite})$$
 - ② $x(t)$ has a finite no. of discontinuities on any finite interval
 - ③ $x(t)$ has a finite no. of maxima & minima on any finite interval
- Some useful signals may not ~~poss~~ satisfy these conditions (not absolutely integrable) but have finite Energy
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)|^2 dt < \infty$$

For such signals, we define what is called the Fourier Transform in the limit.

Examples :-

$$x(t) = \cos \omega_0 t \quad -\infty < t < \infty$$

$$x(t) = \delta(t)$$

$$x(t) = A, \quad A \text{ const} \rightarrow (\text{FT Does not exist})$$
$$\rightarrow X(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A e^{-j2\pi f t} dt = \infty !!$$

⇒ Dirichlet conditions are sufficient and not necessary conditions !

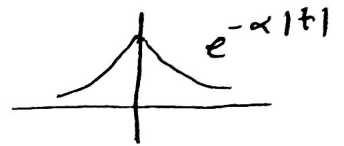
Examples:

① To define the FT of $x(t) = \cos \omega_0 t$, $-\infty < t < \infty$,

* we may first obtain the FT of

$$y(t) = e^{-\alpha|t|} \cos(\omega_0 t), \quad \alpha > 0$$

which is abs. integrable



* The FT of $x(t)$ then is defined as the limit of the FT of $y(t)$ as $\alpha \rightarrow 0$

since $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} e^{-\alpha|t|} = 1, \quad -\infty < t < \infty$

$$\Rightarrow X(f) = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} Y(f)$$

② Similarly, the FT of $\delta(t)$ can be obtained by finding FT of $\delta_\epsilon(t) = \frac{1}{2\epsilon} \Pi\left(\frac{t}{2\epsilon}\right)$ then letting $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$

$$\mathcal{F}[\delta_\epsilon(t)] = \text{sinc}(2\epsilon f)$$

and as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$

$$\text{sinc}(2\epsilon f) \longrightarrow 1 \quad \text{which is the FT of } \delta(t) !$$

$\delta(t)$	$\xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}}$	1
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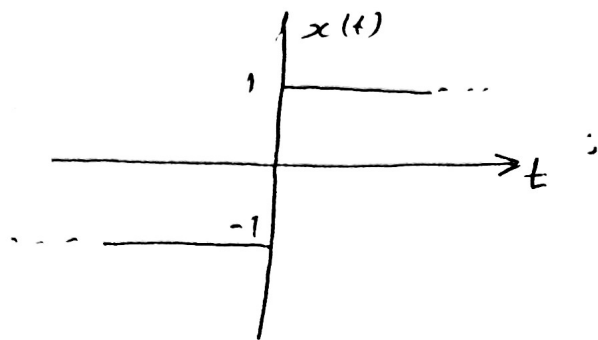
Fourier pair

Remarks :-

- Any useful signal $f(t)$ that meets the condition
$$E = \int |f(t)|^2 dt < \infty \quad (\text{Energy signal})$$
is absolutely integrable.
- Energy signals generally include non-periodic signals that have finite time duration, (such as Rectangular function) and signals that asymptotically approach zero ($\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f(t) = 0$)
- Example $f(t) = e^{-t}$ Doesn't meet Dirichlet condition of absolutely integrable, yet $y(t) = e^{-t} u(t)$ does ~~not~~ meet the Dirichlet condition & does have FT.
- Some other signals which are power signals such as (unit step, signum, and all periodic functions) do have valid FT (in the limit). (they meet DC's except abs. integrable).
- we will see that the FT that we derive for power signals contain impulse functions in the Frequency domain, and this is a general characteristic of power signals!

Example FT in the limit

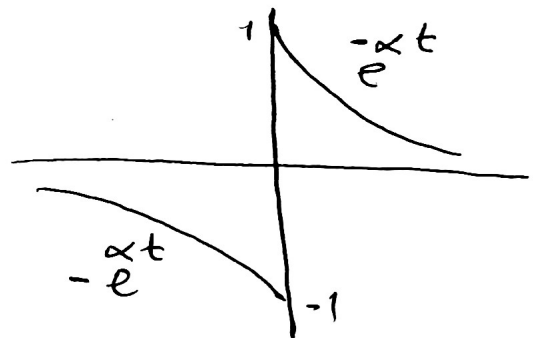
Determine FT of $\text{sgn}(t)$.



(Note that, this signal is a power signal $P=1$
 $E=\infty$)

- Direct evaluation of $\mathcal{F}\{x(t)\}$ is not possible which will give ∞ .
- hence, one way is find the FT in the limit $x(t)$ can be seen as an approximation of $y(t)$ as $\alpha \rightarrow 0$

$y(t)$ is absolutely integrable hence $Y(f)$ can be evaluated



$$\begin{aligned} Y(\omega) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^0 -e^{\alpha t} e^{-j\omega t} dt + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\alpha t} e^{-j\omega t} dt \\ &= \frac{-e^{(\alpha-j\omega)t}}{(\alpha-j\omega)} \Big|_{-\infty}^0 + \frac{-e^{-(\alpha+j\omega)t}}{(\alpha+j\omega)} \Big|_0^{\infty} \\ &= \frac{-1}{\alpha-j\omega} [1-0] + \frac{-1}{\alpha+j\omega} [0-1] \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{-1}{\alpha - j\omega} + \frac{1}{\alpha + j\omega} = \frac{-\alpha - j\omega + \alpha - j\omega}{\alpha^2 + \omega^2}$$

$$= \frac{-2j\omega}{\alpha^2 + \omega^2}$$

Now $X(\omega) = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} Y(\omega) = \boxed{\frac{2}{j\omega}}$ very special function.

or $\omega = 2\pi f$

$$\Rightarrow X(f) = \frac{2}{j2\pi f} = (j\pi f)^{-1}$$

hence $\boxed{\text{sgn}(t) \longleftrightarrow \frac{1}{j\pi f}}$ Fourier pair

- ~~this~~ Another way of evaluating $X(f)$ of $x(t) = \text{sgn}(t)$ by using Fourier transform characteristics which will be studied later!

Example Evaluate $X(f)$ for $z(t) = u(t)$

Sol. Recall that $u(t) = \frac{1}{2} [\text{sgn}(t) + 1]$

~~this~~ Also $\text{sgn}(t) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \frac{1}{j\pi f}$

then $Z(f) = \mathcal{F} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} (\text{sgn}(t) + 1) \right\}$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{j\pi f} + \mathcal{F} \{1\} \right)$$

* What about $F\{1\}$?

to evaluate $F\{1\}$, we will use the

Duality Theorem:

$$x(t) \longrightarrow X(f)$$

$$\text{then } X(t) \longrightarrow x(-f)$$

* let us start with $x(t) = \delta(t)$

$$X(f) = F\{\delta(t)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t) e^{-j\omega(0)} dt = 1$$

hence $\boxed{\delta(t) \xleftrightarrow{F} 1}$ Fourier Pair

* Now, using Duality Theorem:-

$$x(t) = \delta(t) \longrightarrow X(f) = 1$$

$$X(t) = 1 \longrightarrow x(-f) = \delta(-f) = \delta(f)$$

$\Rightarrow \boxed{1 \xleftrightarrow{F} \delta(f)}$ Fourier Pair

* Finally,

$$F\{u(t)\} = \frac{1}{j2\pi f} + \frac{1}{2} F\{1\}$$

$\boxed{u(t) \xleftrightarrow{F} \frac{1}{j2\pi f} + \frac{1}{2} \delta(f)}$ Fourier Pair

Conclusions (Relations between FS & FT)

[1] if we have a non-periodic signal and we wish to find its FS representation (spectrum) we assume it to be periodic with period T_0 and then let $T_0 \rightarrow \infty$, then we converge to FT.

[2] if we have periodic signal, we can find its FS representation by using the concept of FT. (How?)

we find the FT for a single period and then samples the FT as follows

$$X_n = f_0 X(kf_0) = f_0 X(f) \Big|_{f = kf_0}$$

[3] if we have periodic signal, we can find its FT which is defined as impulse train with amplitude (Area) proportional

to its FS coefficient (This provides mechanism to relate FS & FT with each other)

$$X(f) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} X_n \delta(f - nf_0)$$

↑
FT

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FS coefficient

$$= f_0 \sum_n X(nf_0) \delta(f - nf_0)$$

FT of Periodic Signals

- Periodic signals is another special class ~~which~~
- Periodic signals are not abs. integrable and are power signals.
- Consider $x(t)$ to be periodic signals, hence,

$$x(t) = \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} X_n e^{jn\omega_0 t}$$

- Let us determine the FT of $x(t)$

$$\begin{aligned} X(f) &= \mathcal{F} \left\{ \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} X_n e^{jn\omega_0 t} \right\} \\ &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} X_n \mathcal{F} \left\{ e^{jn\omega_0 t} \right\} \quad \text{--- } \otimes \end{aligned}$$

- $\mathcal{F} \left\{ e^{jn\omega_0 t} \right\} = ??$

- Let us determine $\mathcal{F}^{-1} \left\{ Z(f) = \delta(f - f_0) \right\}$

$$z(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(f - f_0) e^{j2\pi f t} df$$

$$= e^{j2\pi f_0 t}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{ \begin{array}{c} e^{j2\pi f_0 t} \\ \longleftrightarrow \\ \delta(f - f_0) \end{array} } \text{ FT pair}$$

Back into \otimes

$$e^{j2\pi f_0 n t} \longrightarrow \delta(f - n f_0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{X(f) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} X_n \delta(f - n f_0)} \quad (**)$$

- Because, we are forcing the concept of FT on periodic signals, we get impulse fun's (Discrete spectrum) in the freq. domain
- These impulses occurs at $f = n f_0$ (same as complex FS).
- The above concept also applies for step & signum functions.
- Remember: one can evaluate X_n

by temporarily evaluating FT for one period and then ~~eval~~ finding the samples values

$$X_n = \frac{1}{T_0} X(\omega) \Big|_{\omega = k\omega_0}$$

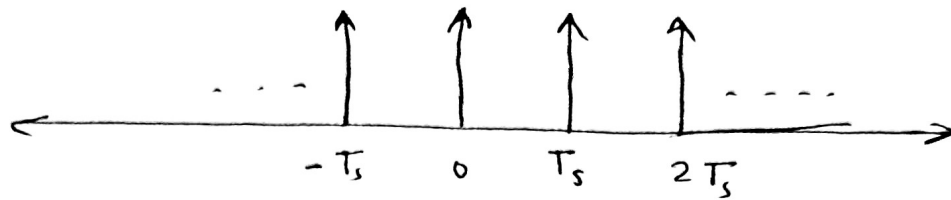
$$\underline{\text{or}} \quad X_n = \frac{1}{T_0} X(f) \Big|_{f = k f_0}$$

In consequence $\otimes \otimes$ becomes

$$X(f) = f_0 \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} X(nf_0) \delta(f - nf_0)$$

Example Consider the following periodic train of impulses

$$y(t) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - mT_s)$$



① Evaluate the Complex FS coefficients ?

$$y(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} Y_n e^{j2\pi f_s n t} \quad , f_s = \frac{1}{T_s}$$

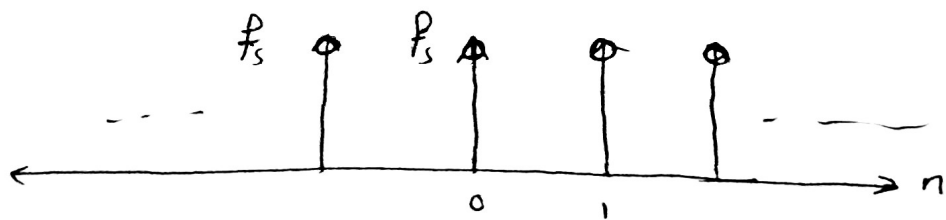
$$Y_n = \frac{1}{T_s} \int_{-T_s/2}^{T_s/2} \delta(t) e^{-j2\pi f_s n t} dt = \frac{1}{T_s} e^0 = f_s$$

hence,

$$y(t) = f_s \sum e^{j2\pi n f_s t}$$

Complex FS Form

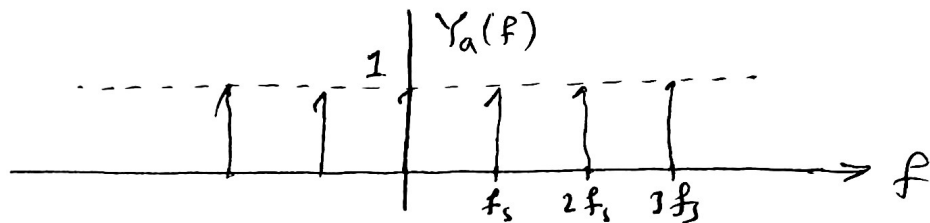
Amplitude spectrum



Another way of finding Y_n is by evaluating $Y_a(f)$ of a periodic impulse given

by $y_a(t) = \delta(t)$

$$y_a(t) = \delta(t) \longrightarrow Y_a(f) = 1$$



then samples $Y_a(f)$ at $n f_s$ such that

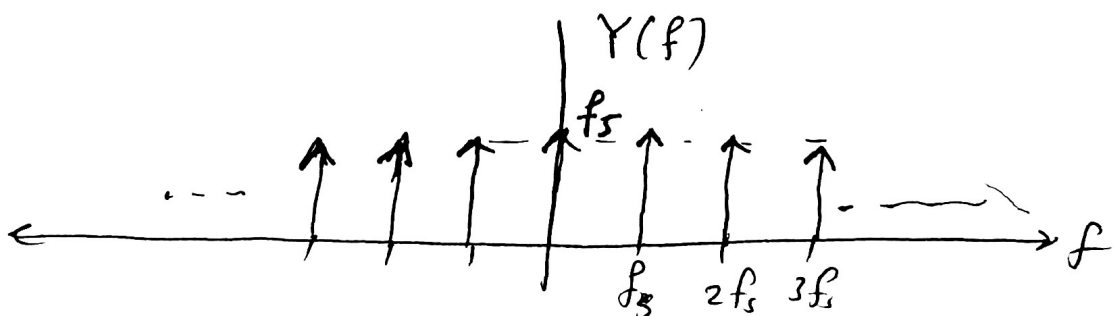
$$Y_n = f_s Y_a(f) \Big|_{n f_s} = f_s$$

② Find the FT of $y(t)$

$$Y(f) = f_s \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} Y_a(n f_s) \delta(f - n f_s)$$

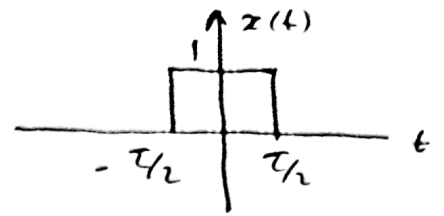
Since $Y_a(n f_s) = 1$

$$\Rightarrow Y(f) = f_s \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(f - n f_s)$$



Example

Consider $x(t) = \Pi\left(\frac{t}{\tau}\right)$



Evaluate $X(f)$?

$$X(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt = \int_{-\tau/2}^{\tau/2} e^{-j\omega t} dt = -\frac{1}{j\omega} e^{-j\omega t} \Big|_{-\tau/2}^{\tau/2}$$
$$= -\frac{1}{j\omega} \left[e^{-j\omega \tau/2} - e^{j\omega \tau/2} \right] = \frac{1}{j\omega} \left[e^{j\omega \tau/2} - e^{-j\omega \tau/2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{j\omega} \cdot j2 \sin(\omega \tau/2)$$

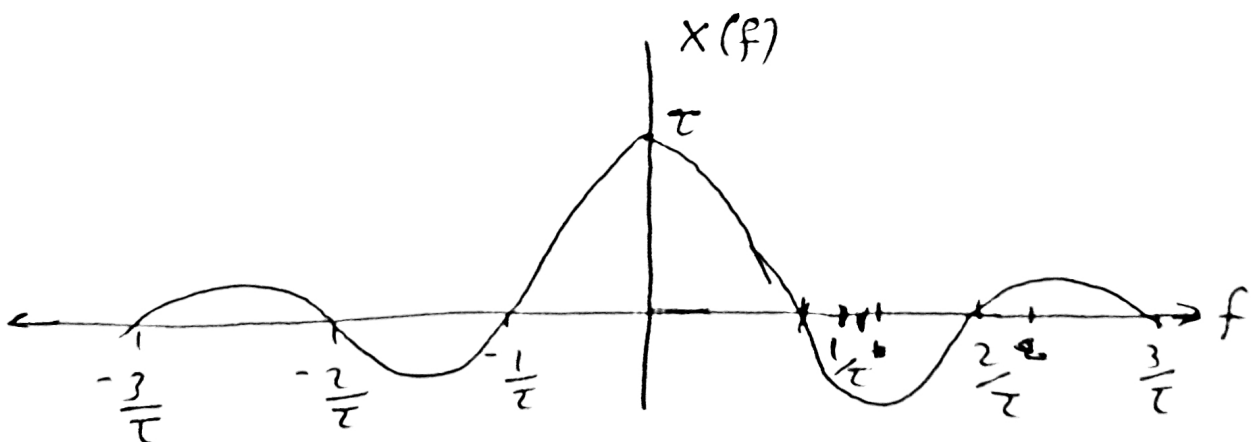
$$= \frac{2}{\omega} \sin(\omega \tau/2) = \frac{2}{2\pi f} \sin(2\pi f \tau/2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi f} \sin(\pi f \tau)$$

$$= \frac{\tau}{\tau} \frac{\sin(\pi f \tau)}{\pi f} = \tau \frac{\sin \pi f \tau}{\pi f \tau}$$

$$= \tau \operatorname{sinc}(f\tau), \quad \text{where } \operatorname{sinc} f = \frac{\sin \pi f}{\pi f}$$

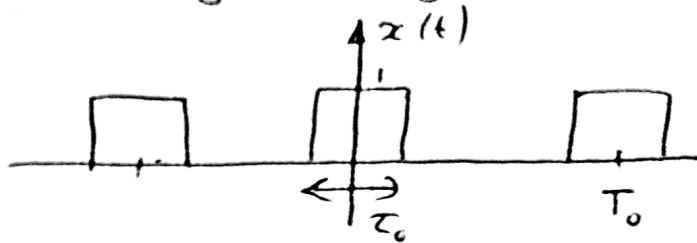
\Rightarrow $\boxed{\Pi\left(\frac{t}{\tau}\right) \longleftrightarrow \tau \operatorname{sinc}(f\tau)}$ Fourier pair



intersections : $\sin(\pi f \tau) = 0 \Rightarrow \pi f \tau = k\pi$
 $\Rightarrow f = \frac{k}{\tau}, \quad k: \text{integers}$

\Rightarrow As $\tau \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow X(f)$ spreads wider

Example: Physical Significance of FT



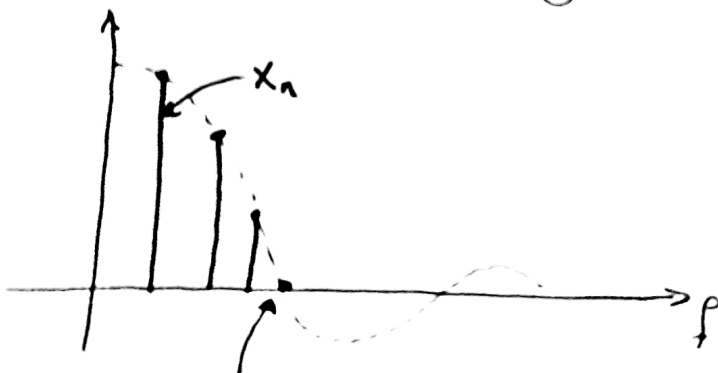
$x(t)$ is periodic signal with FS expansion:-

$$x(t) = \sum X_n e^{jn\omega t}, \quad X_n = \frac{1}{T_0} X_a(nf_0)$$

where $x_a = \Pi\left(\frac{t}{\tau}\right) \longrightarrow X_a(f) = \tau \operatorname{sinc}(f\tau)$

$$\Rightarrow X_n = \frac{\tau}{T_0} \operatorname{sinc}(nf_0\tau) = \frac{\tau}{T_0} \frac{\sin(nf_0\pi\tau)}{nf_0\pi\tau}$$

the corresponding Double-sided amplitude spectrum (right side is only considered)



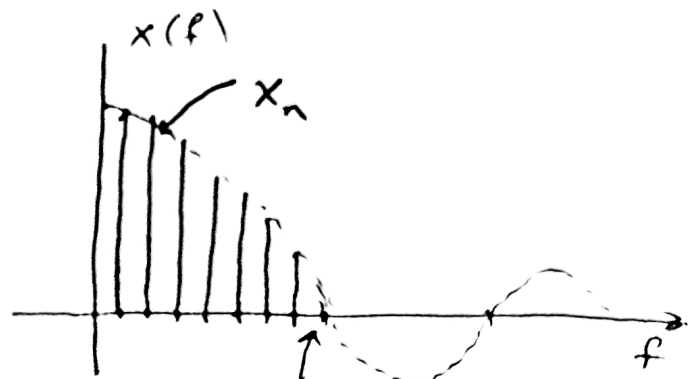
first zero

$$\tau n f_0 \pi = \pi$$

$$\Rightarrow n = \frac{T_0}{\tau}$$

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$\Rightarrow n = 4$ spectrum lines



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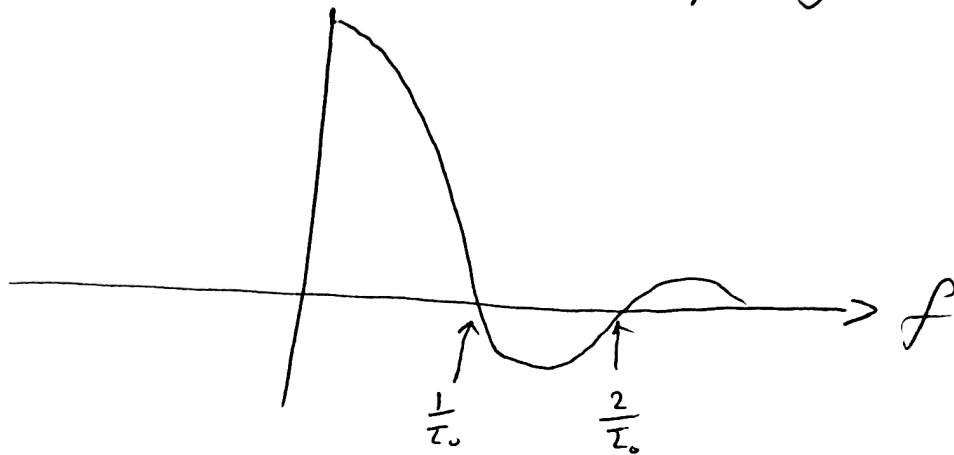
let $\frac{T_0}{\tau} = 8$

$\Rightarrow n = 8$ spectrum lines

As we keep τ constant and increase T_0 , we get same shape spectrum, zero crossing at same frequencies ($f = 1/\tau$) but more freq. components, hence, closer to each other.

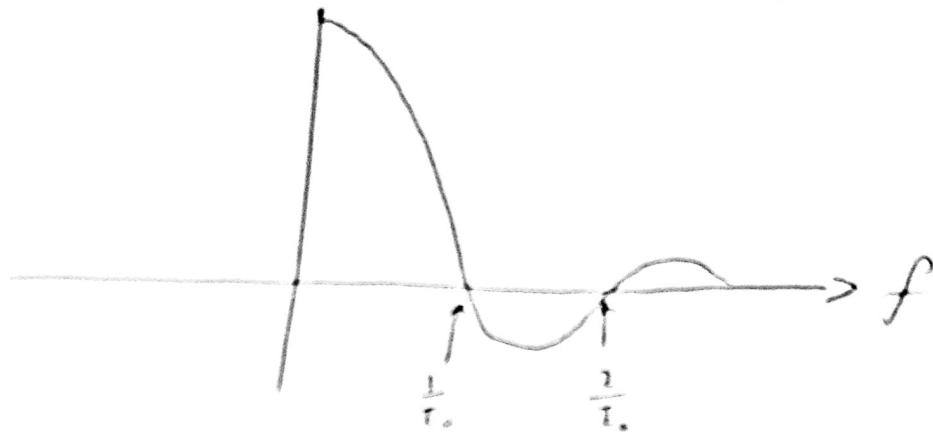
$$\Delta f = \frac{1}{T_0}$$

and as $T_0 \rightarrow \infty$, we obtain a smooth continuous function of frequency.



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