

Fourier Transform

- Let $g(t)$ be a function of time t . The Fourier transform maps the function $g(t)$ into another function $G(f)$ defined into the frequency domain. The Fourier transform is defined as:

$$G(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t) e^{-j2\pi ft} dt$$

- The inverse Fourier transform is defined as

$$g(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(f) e^{j2\pi ft} df$$

- Conditions for existence (Dirichlet conditions, which are the same as those for the FS)
 - The function $g(t)$ is absolutely integrable, i.e., $\int_0^{T_0} |g(t)| dt < \infty$.
 - Any discontinuities in $g(t)$ are finite
 - $g(t)$ has only a finite number of discontinuities and only a finite number of maxima and minima in any finite interval.
- **Remarks:**
 - These conditions are sufficient but not necessary
 - A **weaker sufficient condition** for existence is $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |g(t)|^2 dt < \infty$ ($g(t)$ is an energy signal). This is the finite-energy condition that is satisfied by all physically realizable waveforms.
 - Generally, physical waveforms encountered in engineering practice are Fourier transformable.
 - The Fourier transform can be derived from the Fourier series by allowing the period T_0 to go to infinity, but this will not be covered in this presentation.

Fourier Transform: Amplitude and Phase Spectrum

Observations: $G(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t)e^{-j2\pi ft} dt$

- $G(f)$ is a complex function of frequency f , which can be expressed as:

$$G(f) = |G(f)|j^{\theta(f)}$$

- The function $G(f)$ is often referred to as the spectrum of $g(t)$.
 - $|G(f)|$: is the **continuous amplitude spectrum** of $g(t)$, (an even function of f).
 - $\theta(f)$: is the **continuous phase spectrum** of $g(t)$, (an odd function of f).
- **Notation:**
 - To denote that $G(f)$ is the Fourier transform of $g(t)$, we write $G(f) = \mathfrak{T}(g(t))$
 - To denote that $g(t)$, is the inverse Fourier transform of $G(f)$, we write $g(t) = \mathfrak{T}^{-1}(G(f))$
 - Sometimes, the following notation is used for a Fourier transform pair $g(t) \leftrightarrow G(f)$.

Rayleigh Energy Theorem

Rayleigh Energy Theorem: The energy in a signal $g(t)$ is given by:

$$E = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |g(t)|^2 dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |G(f)|^2 df$$

- The proof of this result is the same as that for Parseval's power theorem
- The function $|G(f)|^2$ is called the **energy spectral density**. It depicts the range of frequencies over which the signal energy extends and the frequency bands which are significant in terms of their energy contents.
- For a non-period signal energy signal, the **energy spectral density is a continuous function of f**.

A General Form of the Rayleigh Energy Theorem

- For two energy functions $g(t)$ and $v(t)$, the following result holds:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t)v(t)^* dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(f)V(f)^* df$$

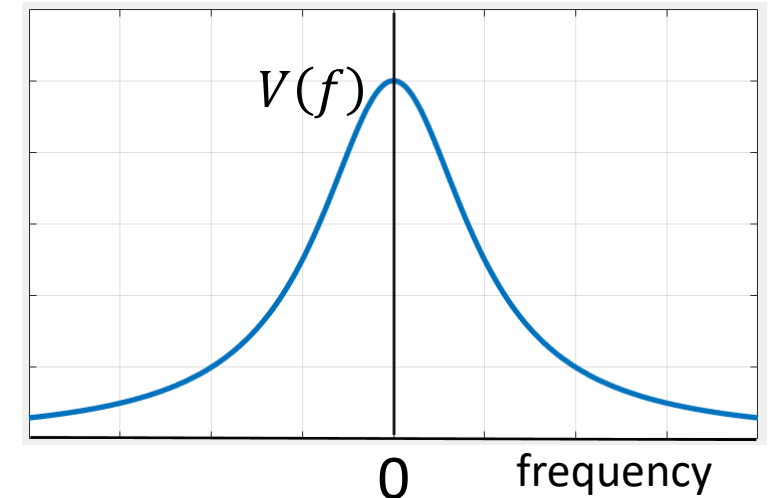
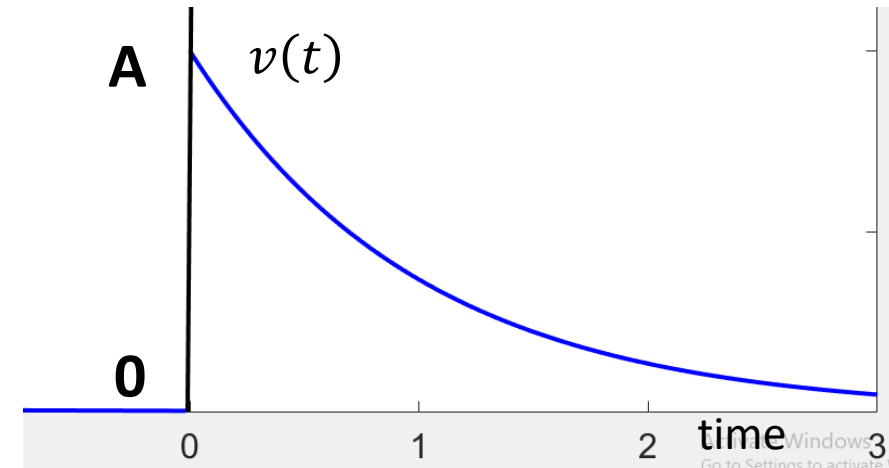
Example: Exponential Pulse

- $v(t) = \begin{cases} A e^{-bt} & t > 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases}$
- $E = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |g(t)|^2 dt = \int_0^{\infty} A^2 e^{-2bt} dt = (A^2 / 2b)$, **F.T exists**
- $V(f) = \int_0^{\infty} v(t) e^{-j2\pi ft} dt = \int_0^{\infty} A e^{-bt} e^{-j2\pi ft} dt$
- $V(f) = A \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(b+j2\pi f)t} dt = A \frac{e^{-(b+j2\pi f)t}}{-(b+j2\pi f)} \Big|_0^{\infty} = \frac{A}{b+j2\pi f}$.
- $V(f) = \frac{A}{b+j2\pi f}$,
- $|V(f)| = \frac{A}{(b^2+(2\pi f)^2)^{1/2}}$
- The energy spectral density is: $S_v(f) = |V(f)|^2 = \frac{A^2}{b^2+(2\pi f)^2}$

Exercise: For the given $v(t)$, verify Rayleigh Energy Theorem:

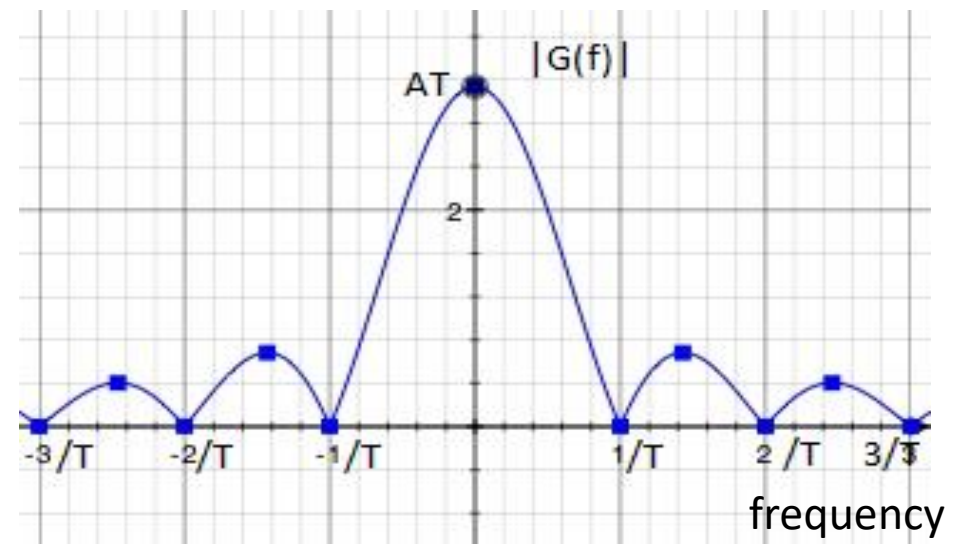
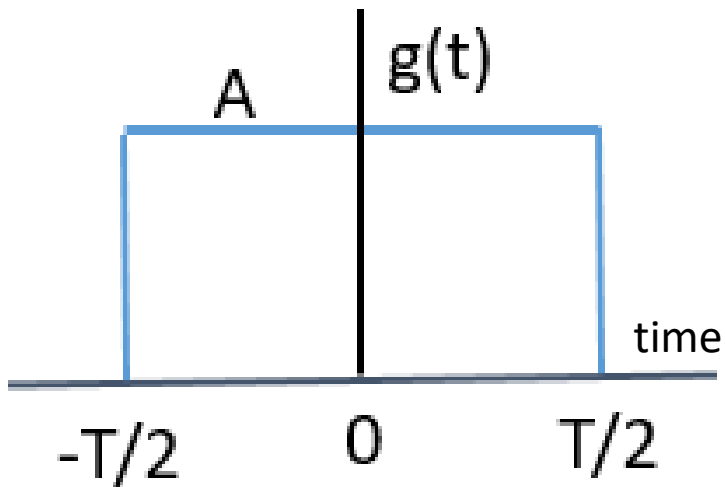
$$E = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |v(t)|^2 dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |V(f)|^2 df$$

- **Remark:** The signal $v(t)$ is called a **baseband signal** since the signal occupies the low frequency part of the spectrum. That is, the energy in the signal is found around the zero frequency. When the signal is multiplied by a high frequency carrier, the spectrum becomes centered around the carrier and the modulated signal is called a **bandpass signal**.



Example: The Rectangular Pulse $g(t) = A \text{rect}\left(\frac{t}{T}\right)$

- $G(f) = \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} A e^{-j2\pi f t} dt = \frac{A}{\pi f} \sin \pi f T$, $AT \frac{\sin \pi f T}{\pi f T} \triangleq AT \text{sinc} f T$
- $|G(f)| = AT |\text{sinc} f T|$
- The maximum of $|G(f)|$ occurs at $f = 0$ since $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1$. Also, $G(f) = 0$ when $\sin(\pi f T) = 0$, which occurs at the points that satisfy $\pi f T = n\pi$, $\Rightarrow f T = n$, or $f = \frac{n}{T}$, $n = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots$



Properties of the Fourier Transform

- **Linearity (superposition)**

Let $g_1(t) \leftrightarrow G_1(f)$ and $g_2(t) \leftrightarrow G_2(f)$, then

$c_1g_1(t)+c_2g_2(t) \leftrightarrow c_1G_1(f)+c_2G_2(f)$; c_1, c_2 are constants

$$G(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t)e^{-j2\pi ft} dt$$

- **Time Scaling**

$g(t) \leftrightarrow G(f)$	$g(at) \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{ a } G(f/a)$
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- **Duality**

$g(t) \leftrightarrow G(f)$	$G(t) \leftrightarrow g(-f)$
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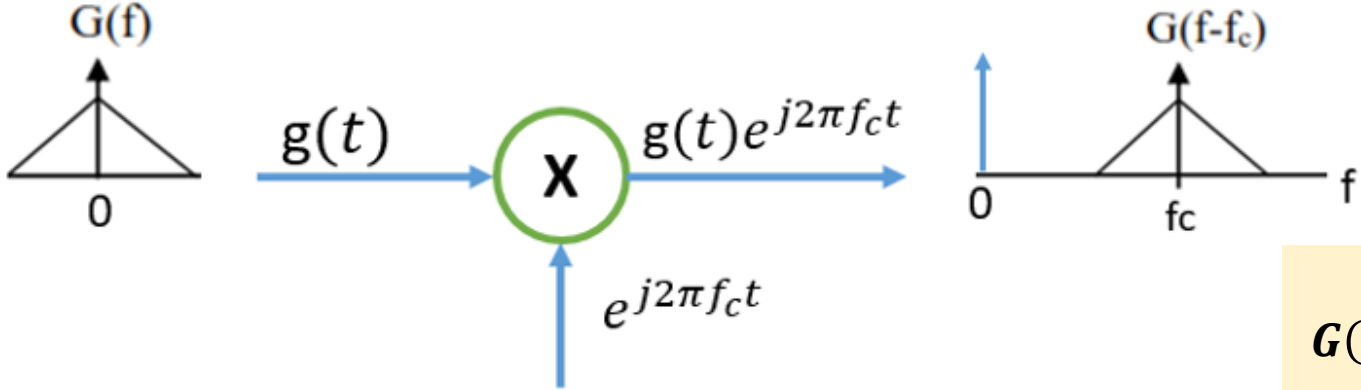
- **Time Shifting**

$g(t) \leftrightarrow G(f)$	$g(t - t_0) \leftrightarrow G(f)e^{-j2\pi ft_0}$
Delay in time domain corresponds to a phase shift in frequency domain	

Properties of the Fourier Transform

- Frequency Shifting**

$g(t) \leftrightarrow G(f)$	$g(t)e^{j2\pi f_c t} \leftrightarrow G(f - f_c) ; f_c \text{ is constant}$
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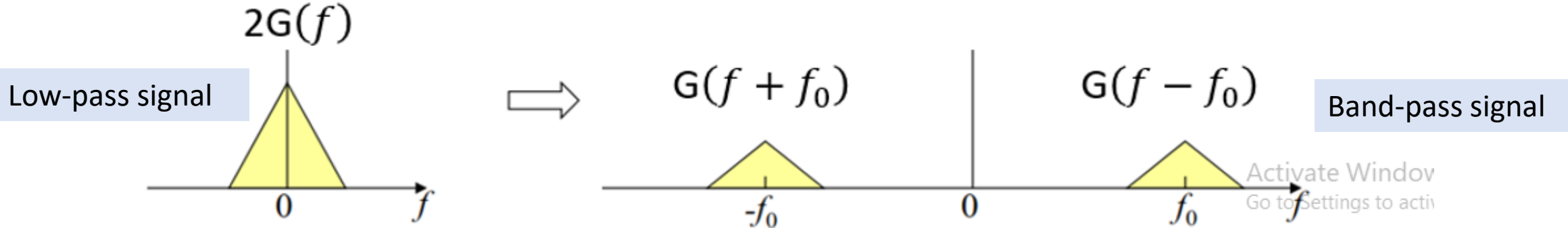


$$G(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t)e^{-j2\pi ft} dt$$

Frequency Shifting Property of the Fourier Transfer

- Modulation Property**

$g(t) \leftrightarrow G(f)$	$2g(t)\cos(2\pi f_0 t) \leftrightarrow G(f - f_0) + G(f + f_0) ; f_0 \text{ is a constant}$
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Properties of the Fourier Transform

- **Area under $G(f)$**

$$g(t) \leftrightarrow G(f)$$

$$g(t = 0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(f) df$$

The value $g(t = 0)$ is equal to the area under its Fourier transform function

- **Area under $g(t)$**

$$g(t) \leftrightarrow G(f)$$

$$G(0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t) dt$$

The area under a function $g(t)$ is equal to the value of its Fourier transform $G(f)$ at $f = 0$, where $G(0)$ implies the presence of a dc component.

$$g(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(f) e^{j2\pi ft} df$$

$$G(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t) e^{-j2\pi ft} dt$$

Properties of the Fourier Transform

- **Differentiation in the Time Domain**

If $g(t)$ and its derivative $g'(t)$ are Fourier transformable, then,

$$g'(t) \leftrightarrow (j2\pi f)G(f)$$

i.e., differentiation in the time domain \implies multiplication by $j2\pi f$ in the frequency domain.

(Differentiation in the time domain enhances high frequency components of a signal)

Also,
$$\frac{d^n g(t)}{dt^n} \leftrightarrow (j2\pi f)^n G(f)$$

$$g(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(f)e^{j2\pi ft} df$$

- **Integration in the Time Domain**

$$\int_{-\infty}^t g(\tau)d\tau \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{j2\pi f} G(f); \text{ assuming } G(0) = 0$$

i.e., integration in the time domain corresponds to division by $(j2\pi f)$ in the frequency domain. This amounts to low pass filtering, where high frequency components are attenuated due to filtering.

When $G(0) \neq 0$, the above result becomes:

$$\int_{-\infty}^t g(\tau)d\tau \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{j2\pi f} G(f) + \frac{1}{2} G(0)\delta(f).$$

Properties of the Fourier Transform

- **Multiplication of two signals in the time domain**

$$g_1(t) g_2(t) \leftrightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G_1(\lambda) G_2(f - \lambda) d\lambda = G_1(f) * G_2(f)$$

Multiplication of two signals in the time domain is transformed into the convolution of their Fourier transforms in the frequency domain.

- **Convolution of two signals in the time domain**

$$g_1(t) * g_2(t) \leftrightarrow G_1(f)G_2(f)$$

Convolution of two signals in the time domain is transformed into a multiplication of their Fourier transforms in the frequency domain

- **Multiplication by t in the time domain corresponds to differentiation in the frequency domain**

$$\mathfrak{F}\{t\mathbf{g}(t)\} = \frac{j}{2\pi} \frac{dG(f)}{df}$$

$$G(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t)e^{-j2\pi ft}$$

Examples: The RF Negative Exponential Pulse

- **Example:** Find the Fourier transform of $x(t) = A e^{-bt} \cos(2\pi f_0 t)$, $t > 0$
- **Solution:** Note that $x(t)$ can be expressed as

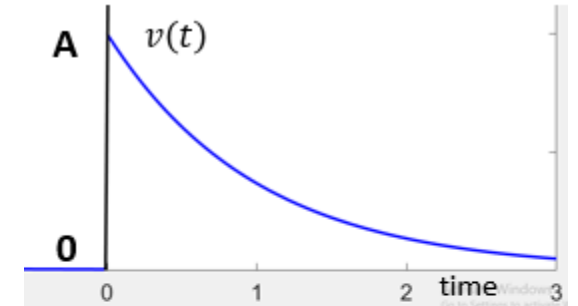
- $\mathbf{x(t)} = \mathbf{g(t)}\cos(2\pi f_0 t)$, $g(t) = \begin{cases} A e^{-bt} & t > 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases}$

- $G(f) = \left(\frac{A}{b + j2\pi f} \right)$

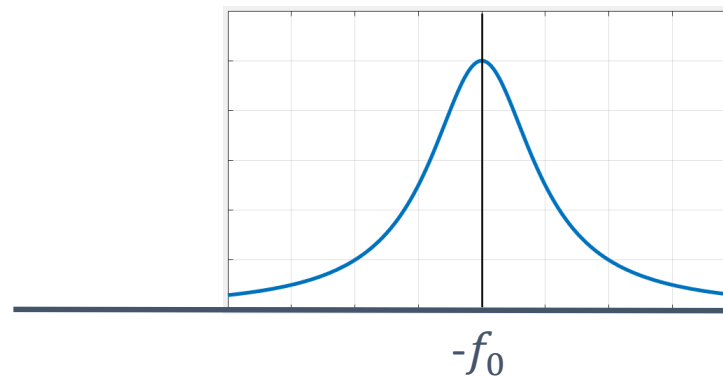
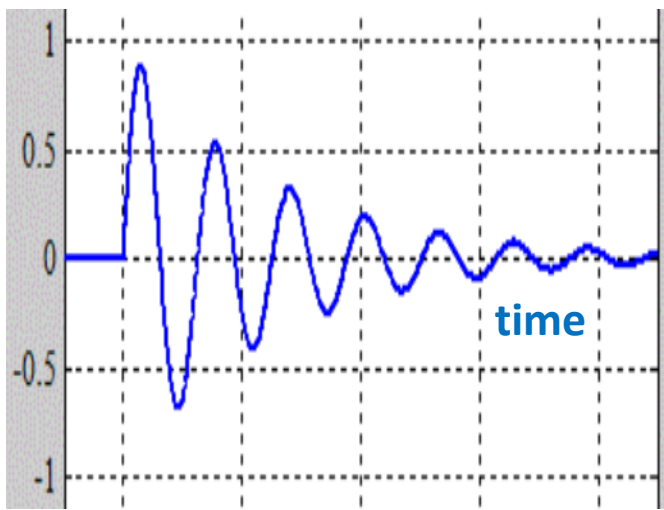
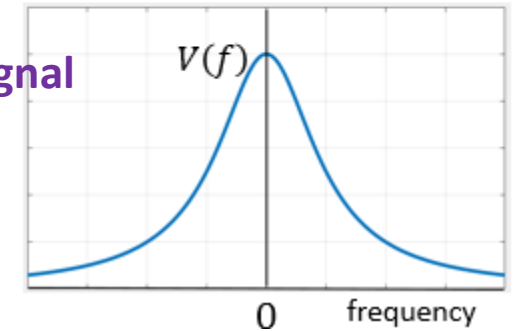
- Use the modulation property

- $X(f) = \frac{1}{2} \{G(f - f_0) + G(f + f_0)\}$

- $X(f) = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{A}{b + j2\pi(f - f_0)} + \frac{A}{b + j2\pi(f + f_0)} \right\}$; **Band-pass signal**

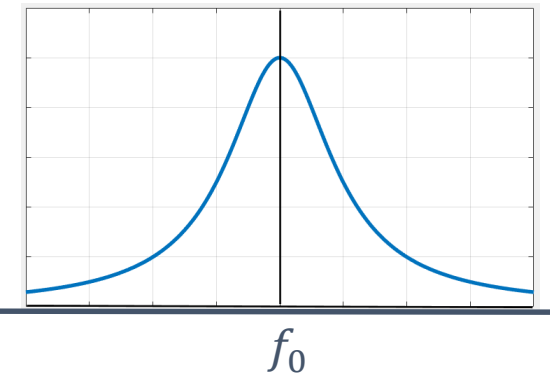


Baseband signal



$|X(f)|$

0



Example: double-sided exponential pulse

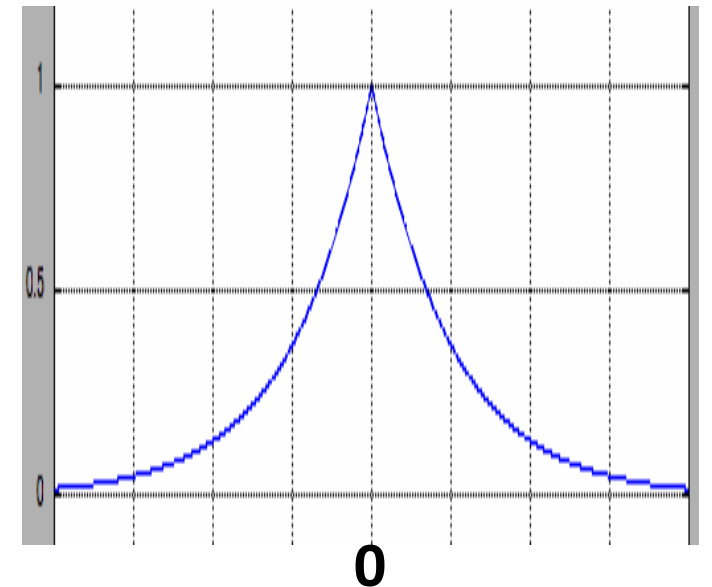
- **Example:** Find the Fourier transform of the double-sided exponential pulse

$$g(t) = Ae^{-b|t|}, -\infty < t < \infty$$

- **Solution:** You can easily find that the energy in $g(t)$ is finite, and hence the F.T. exists.

- $$G(f) = \int_{-\infty}^0 Ae^{bt} e^{-j2\pi ft} dt + \int_0^{\infty} Ae^{-bt} e^{-j2\pi ft} dt$$

- $$G(f) = \frac{A}{b-j2\pi f} + \frac{A}{b+j2\pi f} = \frac{2bA}{b^2+(2\pi f)^2}$$

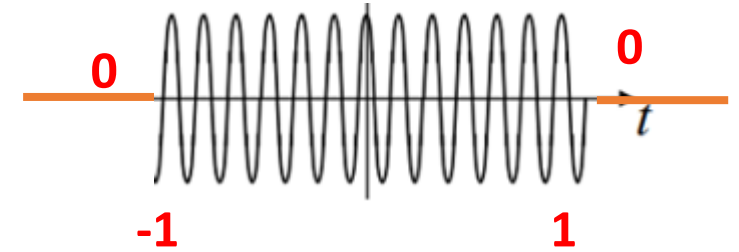


Examples: Fourier Transform of an RF Pulse

Find the Fourier transform of the RF pulse $x(t) = \cos(2\pi f_0 t); 1 \leq t \leq 1$,

Solution: $x(t)$ can be viewed as a product of the rectangular pulse and the cosine function $x(t) = g(t)\cos(2\pi f_0 t)$, where

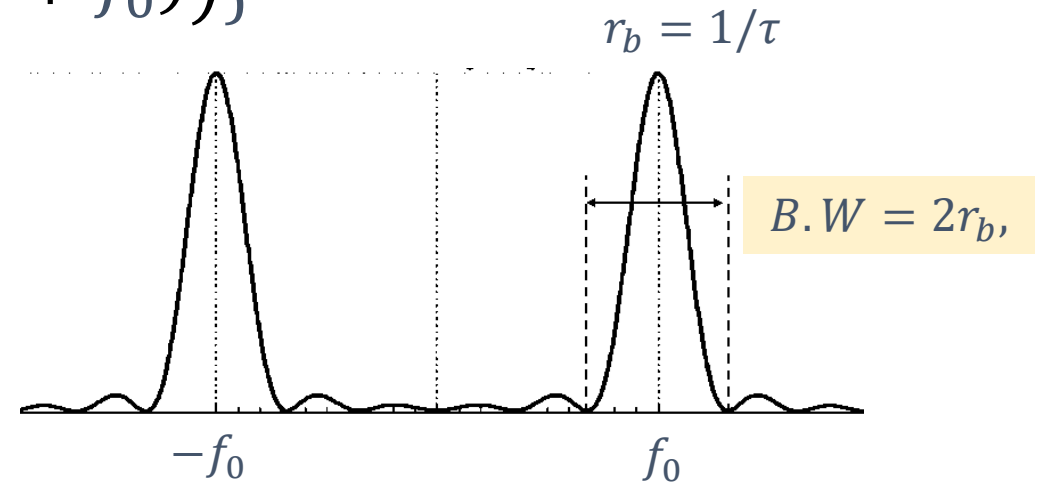
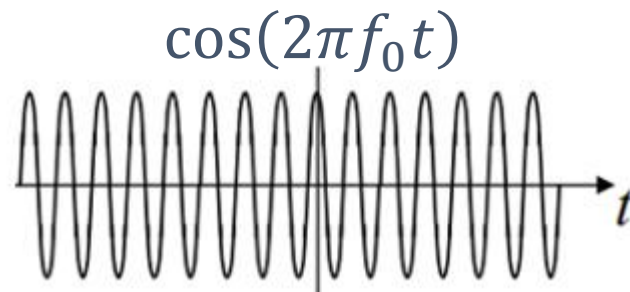
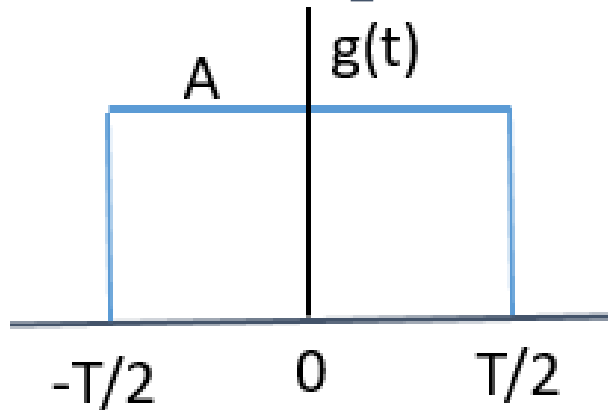
$$g(t) = u(t + 1) - u(t - 1) = \text{rect}\left(\frac{t}{2}\right)$$



$$G(f) = AT \text{sinc}fT = 2\text{sinc}(2f)$$

- $X(f) = \frac{1}{2}\{X(f - f_0) + X(f + f_0)\}$

- $X(f) = \frac{1}{2}\{2\text{sinc}(2(f - f_0)) + 2\text{sinc}(2(f + f_0))\}$



Examples: Fourier Transform of the doublet pulse

Find the Fourier transform of the pulse $x(t)$ shown in the figure

Solution: $x(t)$ can be expressed in terms of the rectangular pulse $g(t)$ as

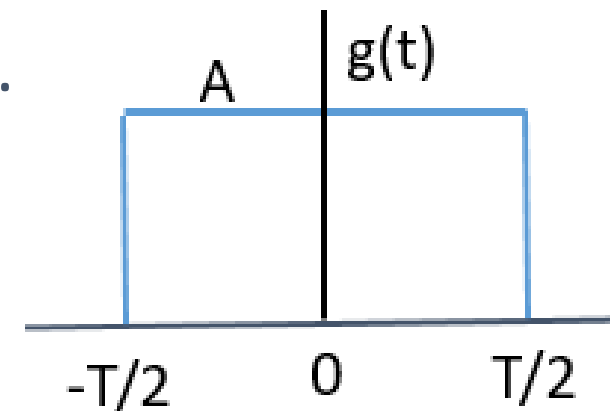
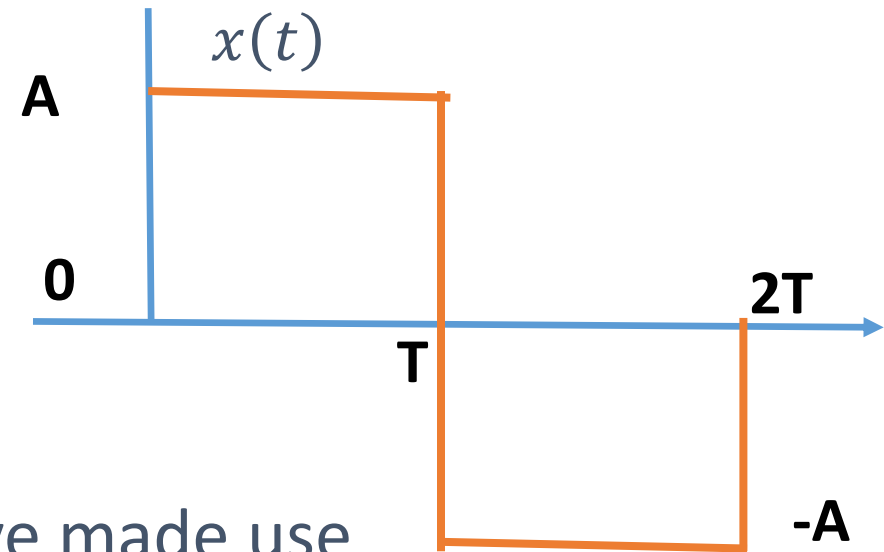
$$x(t) = g(t - T/2) - g(t - 3T/2)$$

$$X(f) = G(f)e^{-\frac{j2\pi fT}{2}} - G(f)e^{-\frac{j2\pi f3T}{2}}$$

- $X(f) = G(f)e^{-j2\pi fT} \left(e^{\frac{j2\pi fT}{2}} - e^{-\frac{j2\pi fT}{2}} \right)$

- $X(f) = G(f)e^{-j2\pi fT} (j2) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi fT}{2}\right)$

- Remark: Note that in this example, we have made use of the linearity and time shifting properties.



Examples: Fourier Transform of the triangular pulse

Find the Fourier transform of the pulse $y(t)$ shown in the figure

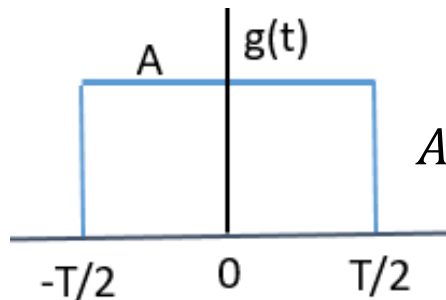
Solution: If we differentiate $y(t)$, we get $x(t)$ of the previous example

$\frac{dy(t)}{dt} = x(t)$. Taking the F.T of both sides,

$$j2\pi f Y(f) = X(f)$$

$$Y(f) = \frac{X(f)}{j2\pi f} = \frac{G(f)e^{-j2\pi fT} (j2) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi fT}{2}\right)}{j2\pi f}$$

$$G(f) = \frac{T G(f) e^{-j2\pi fT} \sin(2\pi fT)}{\pi f T} = AT^2 (\text{sinc} fT)^2 e^{-j2\pi fT}$$



$$AT \frac{\sin \pi f T}{\pi f T} \triangleq AT \text{sinc} fT$$

Same result can be obtained by realizing that $y(t) = g(t) * g(t)$ and using the convolution property $Y(f) = G(f) \cdot G(f)$ and then using the time shifting property

