

# Fourier Transform of Power Signals

- For a **non-periodic (energy) signal**  $g(t)$ , the Fourier transform exists when

- $E = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |g(t)|^2 dt < \infty$  (sufficient condition for existence)

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

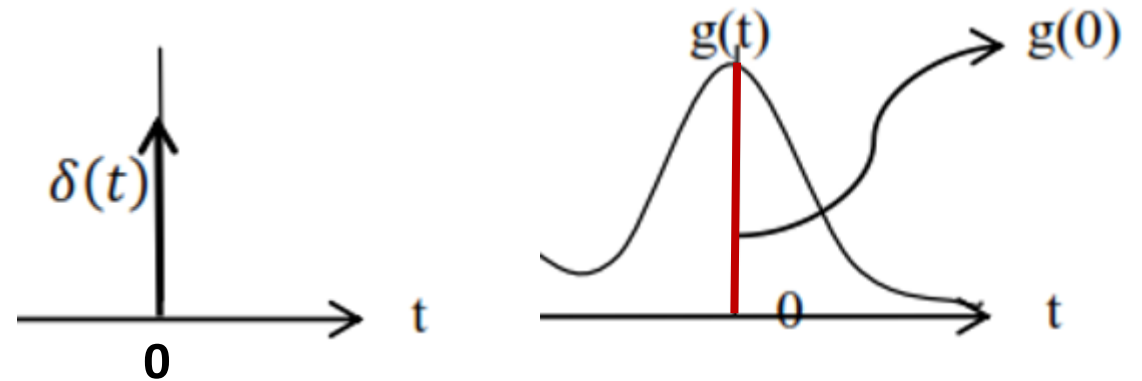
- **For power signals**, the integral  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t)e^{-j2\pi ft} dt$  **does not exist**.

- However, one can still find the Fourier transform of power signals by employing the delta function. This function is defined next.

- **Dirac – Delta Function (Impulse Function)**

This function is defined as

$$\delta(t) = \begin{cases} \infty & t = 0 \\ 0 & t \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

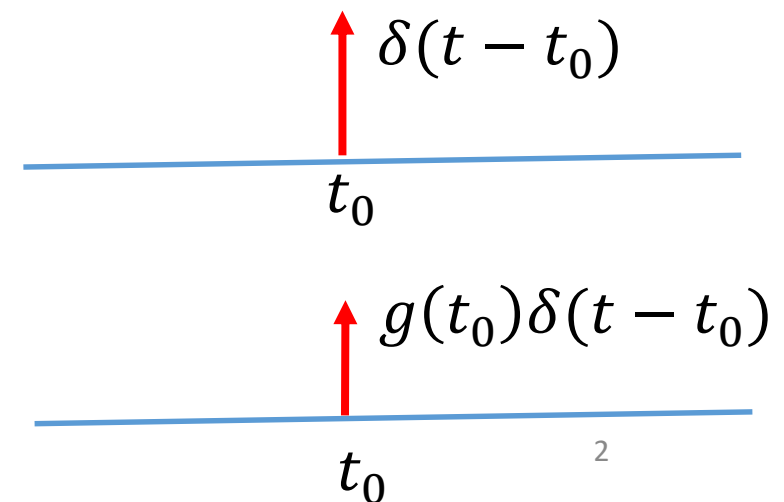
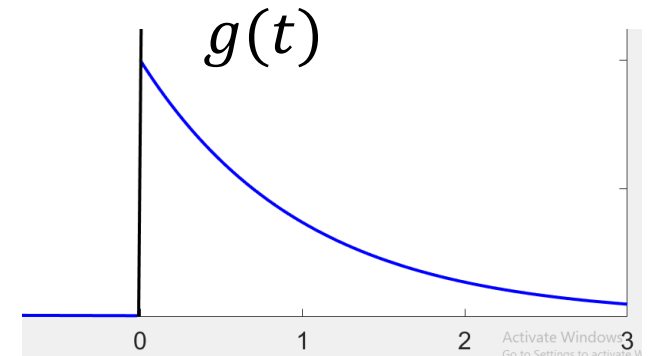


- such that:  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t) dt = 1$  and  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t)\delta(t) dt = g(0)$

- Here,  $g(t)$  is a continuous function of time. The second property, known as the sifting property, shows that the delta function samples the function  $g(t)$  at the time of its occurrence.

## Some Properties of the Delta Function

- $g(t)\delta(t - t_0) = g(t_0)\delta(t - t_0)$ ; (Multiplication)
- $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t)\delta(t - t_0)dt = g(t_0)$  ; (Sifting or sampling property)
- $\delta(\alpha t) = \frac{1}{|\alpha|} \delta(t)$
- $\delta(t) * g(t) = g(t)$
- $\delta(t) = \frac{du(t)}{dt} \Rightarrow u(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t \delta(t)dt$
- $\delta(t) = \delta(-t)$ ; an even function of its argument.
- Fourier transform:  $\mathfrak{F}\{\delta(t)\} = 1$
- $\mathfrak{F}\{\delta(t - t_0)\} = e^{-j2\pi f t_0}$



# Applications of the Delta Function

- **Fourier transform of the delta function**

- $\mathfrak{F}\{\delta(t)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t)e^{-j2\pi ft} dt = 1$ . This follows from the sifting property

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

- $\mathfrak{F}\{\delta(t - t_0)\} = e^{-j2\pi ft_0}$ ; (using the time delay property  $\mathfrak{F}\{g(t - t_0)\} = G(f)e^{-j2\pi ft_0}$ )

- **DC or a Constant Signal**

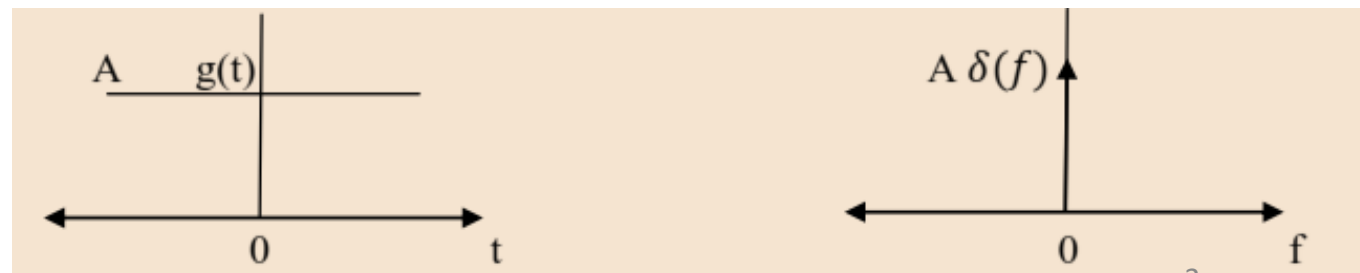
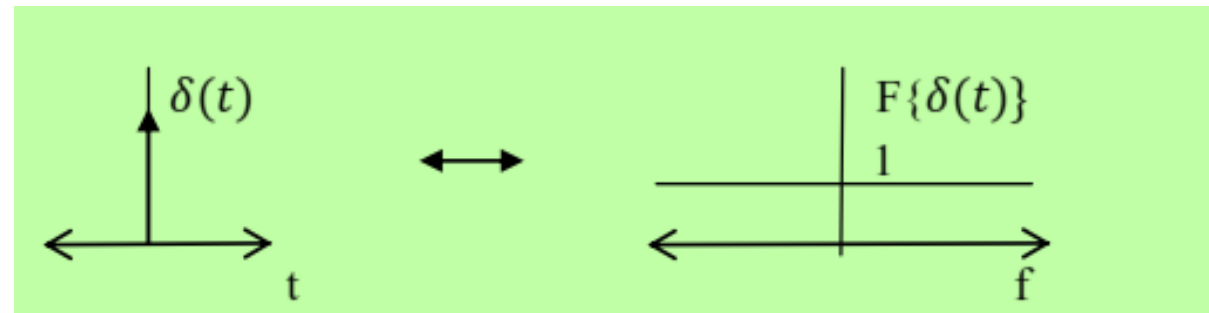
- Since  $\mathfrak{F}\{\delta(t)\} = 1$ , then by the duality property  $\mathfrak{F}\{1\} = \delta(f)$

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

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- Note how the time-bandwidth relationship holds for this pair. A narrow pulse in time extends over a large frequency spectrum).

- Also, the transform of a dc signal is an impulse at  $f = 0$ .



# Applications of the Delta Function

- **Complex Exponential Function**

- $\mathfrak{T}\{Ae^{j2\pi f_c t}\} = A\delta(f - f_c)$  ;

- follows from the duality property, since  $\mathfrak{T}\{\delta(t - t_0)\} = e^{-j2\pi f t_0}$

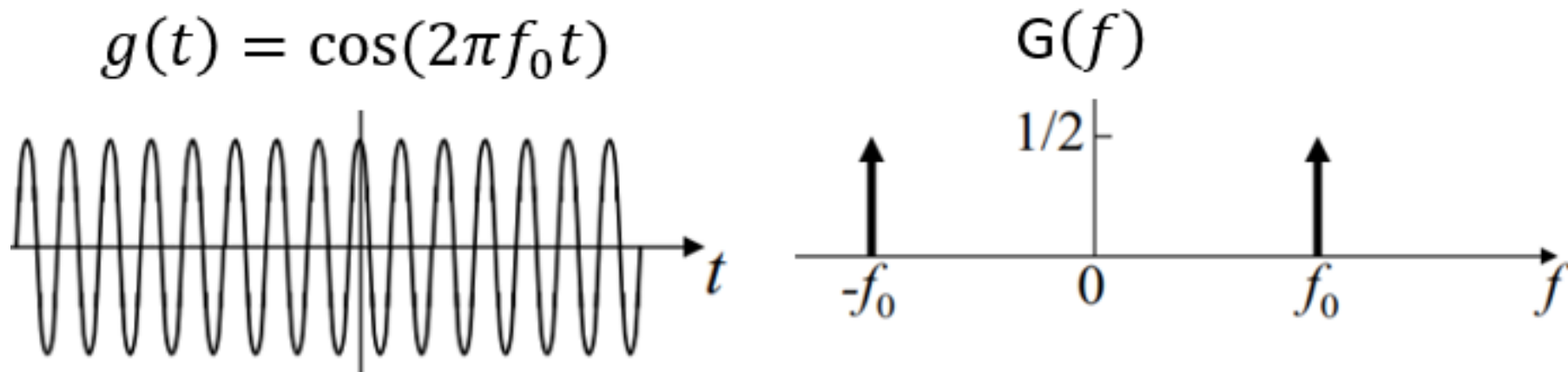
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- **Sinusoidal Functions**

- $\mathfrak{T}\{\cos 2\pi f_0 t\} = \mathfrak{T}\frac{1}{2}\{Ae^{j2\pi f_c t} + Ae^{-j2\pi f_c t}\} = \frac{1}{2} \{\delta(f - f_0) + \delta(f + f_0)\}$

- $\mathfrak{T}\{\sin 2\pi f_0 t\} = \mathfrak{T}\frac{1}{j2}\{Ae^{j2\pi f_c t} - Ae^{-j2\pi f_c t}\} = \frac{1}{2j} \{\delta(f - f_0) - \delta(f + f_0)\}$



# Applications of the Delta Function

- **Signum Function**

$$\text{sgn}(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & t > 0 \\ 0 & t = 0 \\ -1 & t < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\mathfrak{F}\{\text{sgn}(t)\} = \frac{1}{j\pi f}$$

$$v(t) = \begin{cases} e^{-bt} & t > 0 \\ -e^{bt} & t < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$G(f) = \frac{1}{b+j2\pi f} - \frac{1}{b-j2\pi f} = \frac{-j(2)2\pi f}{b^2+(2\pi f)^2}$$

$$\log_{b \rightarrow 0} G(f) = \frac{1}{j\pi f}$$

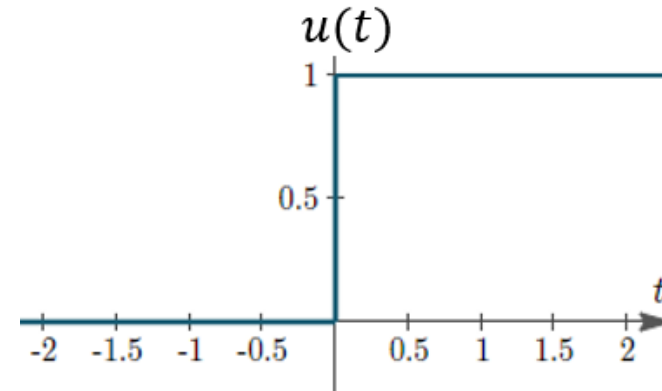
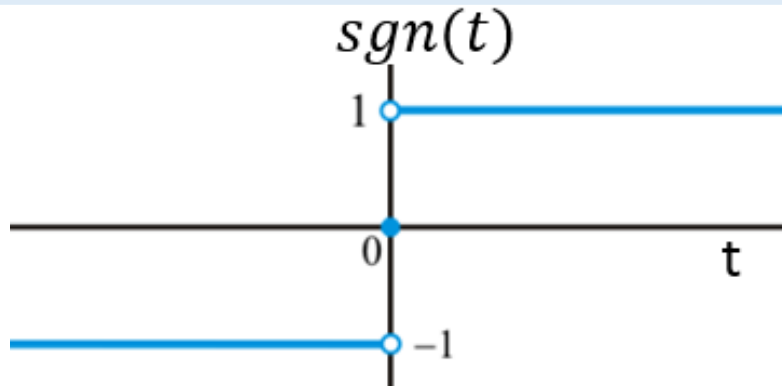
- **Unit Step Function**

$$u(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & t > 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & t = 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{sgn}(t) = 2u(t) - 1$$

$$u(t) = \frac{1}{2}\{\text{sgn}(t) + 1\}$$

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



# Applications of the Delta Function

- **Periodic Signals:** A periodic signal  $g(t)$  is expanded in the complex Fourier Series form as:

- $g(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} C_n e^{jn\omega_0 t} \Rightarrow \mathfrak{F}\{g(t)\} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} C_n \delta(f - nf_0)$

**Example:** Consider the following train of impulses  $g(t) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - mT_0)$

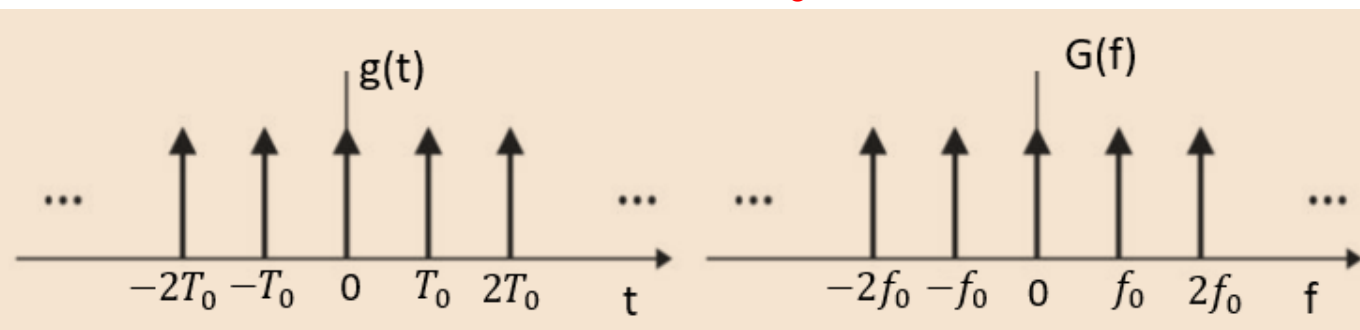
**Solution:** The Fourier coefficients are obtained by integrating over one period of  $g(t)$ .

- $C_n = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_{-T_0/2}^{T_0/2} g(t) e^{-jn\omega_0 t} dt = \frac{1}{T_0} = f_0$ ; Note that the sifting property has been used.

- Therefore, the complex Fourier series of  $g(t)$  is

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- $\mathfrak{F} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - mT_0) = \frac{1}{T_0} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(f - nf_0)$ .

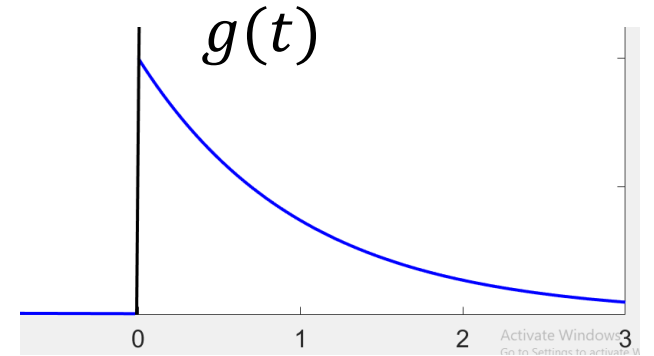


**Remark 1:** Note that the signal is periodic in the time domain and its Fourier transform is periodic in the frequency domain.

**Remark 2:** This sequence will be found useful when the sampling theorem is considered later in the course.

## Examples

- Let  $g(t)$  be given as: 
$$\mathbf{g}(t) = \begin{cases} A e^{-bt} & t > 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases}$$
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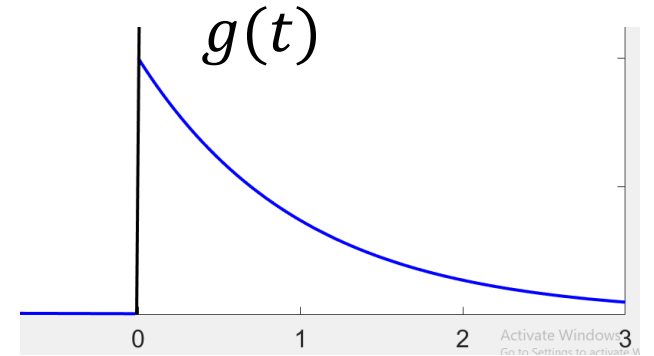
- **Evaluate the following**

- $\mathbf{g}(t)\delta(t - 0.5) = \mathbf{g}(t = 0.5)\delta(t - 0.5) = A e^{-0.5b} \delta(t - 0.5).$
- $\mathbf{g}(t)\delta(t + 1) = \mathbf{g}(t = -1)\delta(t + 1) = (0)\delta(t + 1) = 0.$
- $\mathbf{g}(t) * \delta(t - 1) = g(t - 1) = \begin{cases} A e^{-b(t-1)} & t > 1 \\ 0 & t < 1 \end{cases}$
- $\mathfrak{F}\{\mathbf{g}(t) * \mathbf{g}(t)\} = G(f)G(f) = \left( \frac{A}{b + j2\pi f} \right) \left( \frac{A}{b + j2\pi f} \right) = \left( \frac{A}{b + j2\pi f} \right)^2$

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- Evaluate the following**

- $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t) \delta(t - 1) dt = g(t = 1) = A e^{-b}$  ; (sifting property)

- $\mathfrak{T}\{g(t) - g(t - 1)\} = G(f) - G(f)e^{-j2\pi f} = \frac{A}{b + j2\pi f} (1 - e^{-j2\pi f})$

- $\mathfrak{T}\{tg(t)\} = \begin{cases} At e^{-bt} & t > 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases}$

- $\mathfrak{T}\{tg(t)\} = \frac{j}{2\pi} \frac{dG(f)}{df} = \frac{j}{2\pi} \frac{(-)j2\pi}{(b + j2\pi f)^2} = \frac{1}{(b + j2\pi f)^2}$

- **Note:** Prove that  $\mathfrak{T}\{tg(t)\} = \left( \frac{j}{2\pi} \right) \frac{dG(f)}{df}$  and  $\mathfrak{T}\left\{ \frac{dg(t)}{dt} \right\} = (j2\pi f)G(f)$