

Homework #8

Important Attach a hardcopy of all MATLAB code.

1) As done in class, the zero-DC square wave function, with period $T = 1$, is

$$x(t) = -\frac{1}{2} + u\left(t + \frac{1}{4}\right) - u\left(t - \frac{1}{4}\right) \quad \text{for } |t| < \frac{1}{2}, \text{ extended periodically. Its Fourier expansion,}$$

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{2\pi jkt} \quad [\text{since the fundamental frequency } \omega_0 = 2\pi \text{ (why?)}] \text{ determines the Fourier series } a_k.$$

Consider the N th approximation to its Fourier expansion, $x_N(t) = \sum_{k=-N}^N a_k e^{2\pi jkt}$:

- By hand, plot $x(t)$ for more than one period, around $t = 0$, and evaluate the maximum, minimum and mean.
- Either by calculating directly, or by using your class notes for a_k , simplify its Fourier series a_k using $T = 1$ and $\omega_0 = 2\pi$.
- Using MATLAB, plot $x_N(t)$ for $N = 4$ over the same range as (a). Estimate the maximum, minimum and mean. The plot should resemble the plot in (a)—how good is it?
- Repeat (c) for $N = 16$.
- Repeat (c) for $N = 128$.

Optional Hint Because $x(t)$ is even, real, and has zero DC, the calculation may be simplified by using

$$a_k e^{2\pi jkt} + a_{-k} e^{-2\pi jkt} = a_k (e^{2\pi jkt} + e^{-2\pi jkt}) = 2a_k \cos(2\pi kt), \text{ giving } x_N(t) = \sum_{k=1}^N 2a_k \cos(2\pi kt) \text{ allowing you to}$$

avoid complex numbers in your program.

2) Consider the discrete periodic signal $x[n] = 1 + \sin(2\pi \frac{n}{8})$:

- Plot $x[n]$ for the range $[0,7]$.
- Compute its Fourier series coefficients a_k for the ranges of k : $[0,7]$, $[-3,4]$, and $[8,15]$.
- Use MATLAB to help solve this problem. Use the following commands:

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n = [0:7];
x = 1+sin(2*pi*n/8);
A = fft(x)
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How is \mathbf{a} related to a_k ? There may be an overall constant factor disagreement. When comparing the elements of the array \mathbf{a} to a_k , which value of k corresponds to the first element of \mathbf{a} (i.e., $\mathbf{a}(1)$)?

- 3) Consider the RLC circuit pictured in Figure P3.20 (page 254) in Oppenheim & Willsky, **except** that R , L , and C are unknown (i.e. keep them as “R”, “L”, and “C”).
- Using an input signal of $V_0 \exp(j\omega t)$, and knowing that because the RLC circuit is an LTI system the output signal will be $H(j\omega)V_0 \exp(j\omega t)$, derive an expression for the transfer function $H(j\omega)$.
 - For the values of R , L , and C in the book ($R = 1\Omega$, $L = 1\text{H}$, $C = 1\text{F}$), calculate $|H(j\omega)|$: the magnitude of $H(j\omega)$. Sketch it (by hand) for $0 \leq \omega < 3$ (i.e. Make sure the beginning and end values are right and get the general trend in between). Is this a low-pass, band-pass, or high-pass filter?
- 4) For each of the following signals $x(t)$, where a and L are unknown constants, sketch the signal and compute its Fourier Transform $X(j\omega)$:
- $x(t) = a(u(t) - u(t - L))$
 - $x(t) = a(u(t + L) - u(t))$
 - $x(t) = a(u(t + L/2) - u(t - L/2))$
 - $x(t) = au(t + L) + au(t + L/2) - au(t - L/2) - au(t - L)$

Note For the next problem, you may find this relation useful:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(jbx) \exp(-a^2 x^2) dx = 2 \int_0^{\infty} \cos(bx) \exp(-a^2 x^2) dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{a} \exp(-b^2/4a^2)$$

- 5) Consider the Gaussian signal $x(t) = \exp(-t^2/2\sigma^2)$. [σ^2 is called the *variance* and parameterizes the width of the bell curve.]
- Sketch $x(t)$ for the range $[-2, +2]$ if $\sigma = 2$.
 - Compute its Fourier Transform $X(j\omega)$.
 - How does $|X(j\omega)|$ fall off as $|\omega| \rightarrow \infty$?
 - Where is the maximum of $|X(j\omega)|$? How would this change if the signal was modified to be the related signal $x(t) = \exp(j\omega_0 t - t^2/2\sigma^2)$?