Lecture 3: The Sampling Theorem

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Sampling

- Given a continuous time waveform, can we represent it using discrete samples?
 - How often should we sample?
 - Can we reproduce the original waveform?



The Fourier Transform

- Frequency representation of signals
- **Definition:** $X(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)e^{-j2\pi ft} dt$

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• Notation:

$$X(f) = F[x(t)]$$
$$X(t) = F-1 [X(f)]$$
$$x(t) \leftrightarrow X(f)$$

Unit impulse $\delta(t)$

$$\delta(t) = 0, \forall t \neq 0$$
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t) = 1$$
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t) x(t) = x(0)$$
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - \tau) x(\tau) = x(t)$$

$$F[\delta(t)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t) e^{-j2\pi f t} dt = e^{0} = 1$$

$$\delta(t)$$

$$\delta(t) \Leftrightarrow 1$$

$$\delta(t)$$

$$F[\delta(t)]$$

$$\epsilon \qquad 1$$

Rectangle pulse

$$\Pi(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & |t| < 1/2 \\ 1/2 & |t| = 1/2 \\ 0 & otherwise \end{cases}$$

$$F[\Pi(t)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Pi(t) e^{-j2\pi ft} dt = \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} e^{-j2\pi ft} dt$$

$$=\frac{e^{-j\pi t}-e^{j\pi f}}{-j2\pi f}=\frac{Sin(\pi f)}{\pi f}=Sinc(f)$$





Properties of the Fourier transform

- Linearity
 - $x1(t) <=> X1(f), x2(t) <=> X2(f) => \alpha x1(t) + \beta x2(t) <=> \alpha X1(f) + \beta X2(f)$
- Duality
 - X(f) <=> x(t) => x(f) <=> X(-t) and x(-f) <=> X(t)
- Time-shifting: x(t-τ) <=> X(f)e^{-j2πfτ}
- Scaling: F[(x(at)] = 1/|a| X(f/a)
- Convolution: x(t) <=> X(f), y(t) <=> Y(f) then,
 - $F[x(t)^*y(t)] = X(f)Y(f)$
 - Convolution in time corresponds to multiplication in frequency and visa versa

$$x(t) * y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t-\tau)y(\tau)d\tau$$

Fourier transform properties (Modulation)

$$x(t)e^{j2\pi f_o t} \Leftrightarrow X(f-f_o)$$

Now,
$$\cos(x) = \frac{e^{jx} + e^{-jx}}{2}$$

 $x(t)\cos(2\pi f_o t) = \frac{x(t)e^{j2\pi f_o t} + x(t)e^{-j2\pi f_o t}}{2}$

Hence,
$$x(t)\cos(2\pi f_o t) \Leftrightarrow \frac{X(f-f_o) + X(f+f_o)}{2}$$

- Example: x(t)= sinc(t), F[sinc(t)] = Π(f)
- $Y(t) = sinc(t)cos(2\pi f_o t) <=> (\Pi(f-f_o)+\Pi(f+f_o))/2$



More properties

Power content of signal

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)|^2 dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |X(f)|^2 df$$

Autocorrelation

$$R_{x}(\tau) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) x^{*}(t-\tau) dt$$

$$R_{x}(\tau) \Leftrightarrow |X(f)|^{2}$$

Sampling

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

$$x(t) \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - nt_o) = \text{sampled version of } x(t)$$
$$F[\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - nt_o)] = \frac{1}{t_o} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(f - \frac{n}{t_o})]$$

The Sampling Theorem



Sampling Theorem: If we sample the signal at intervals Ts where Ts <= 1/ 2W then signal can be completely reconstructed from its samples using the formula

$$x(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} 2W^{\text{O}}T_s x(nT_s) \sin c [2W^{\text{O}}(t-nT_s)]$$

Where,
$$W \leq W^{\odot} \leq \frac{1}{T_s} - W$$

With
$$T_s = \frac{1}{2W} \Longrightarrow x(t) = \sum_{n = -\infty}^{\infty} x(nT_s) \sin c[(\frac{t}{T_s} - n)]$$

$$x(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(\frac{n}{2W}) \sin c [2W(t - \frac{n}{2W})]$$

Proof

$$x_{\delta}(t) = x(t) \sum_{n = -\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - nT_{s})$$
$$X_{\delta}(f) = X(f) * F[\sum_{n = -\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - nT_{s})]$$
$$F[\sum_{n = -\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - nT_{s})] = \frac{1}{T_{s}} \sum_{n = -\infty}^{\infty} \delta(f - \frac{n}{T_{s}})$$

$$X_{\delta}(f) = \frac{1}{Ts} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} X(f - \frac{n}{T_s})$$

• The Fourier transform of the sampled signal is a replication of the Fourier transform of the original separated by 1/Ts intervals



Proof, continued

- If 1/Ts > 2W then the replicas of X(f) will not overlap and can be recovered
- How can we reconstruct the original signal?
 - Low pass filter the sampled signal
- Ideal low pass filter is a rectangular pulse

$$H(f) = T_s \Pi(\frac{f}{2W})$$

• Now the recovered signal after low pass filtering

$$X(f) = X_{\delta}(f)T_{s}\Pi(\frac{f}{2W})$$
$$x(t) = F^{-1}[X_{\delta}(f)T_{s}\Pi(\frac{f}{2W})]$$
$$x(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(nT_{s})Sinc(\frac{t}{T_{s}} - n)$$

Notes about Sampling Theorem

- When sampling at rate 2W the reconstruction filter must be a rectangular pulse
 - Such a filter is not realizable
 - For perfect reconstruction must look at samples in the infinite future and past
- In practice we can sample at a rate somewhat greater than 2W which makes reconstruction filters that are easier to realize
- Given any set of arbitrary sample points that are 1/2W apart, can construct a continuous time signal band-limited to W