

# FOURIER ANALYSIS TECHNIQUES

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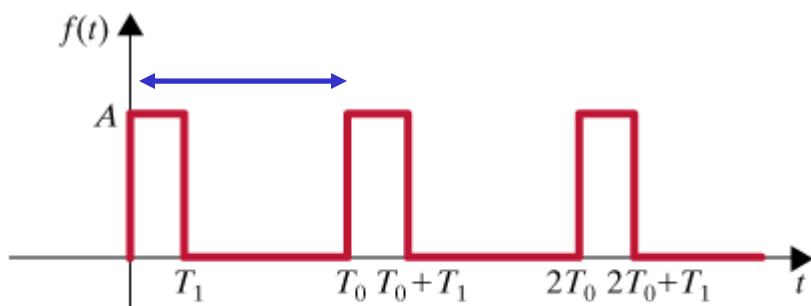
The Fourier series permits the representation of an arbitrary periodic signal as a sum of sinusoids or complex exponentials

## Periodic signal

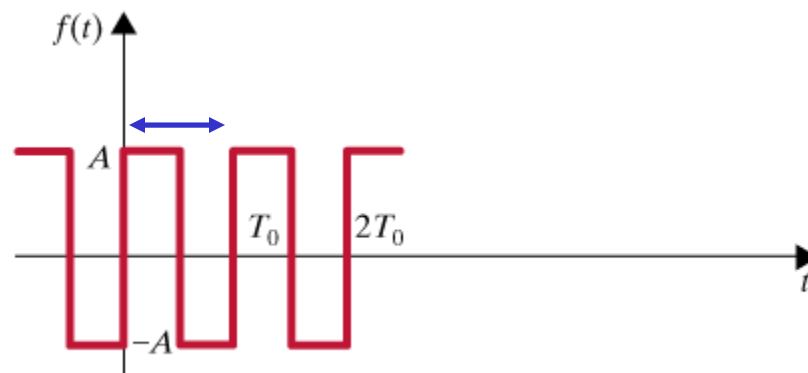
The signal  $f(t)$  is periodic iff there exists  $T > 0$  such that

$$f(t) = f(t + T), \forall t$$

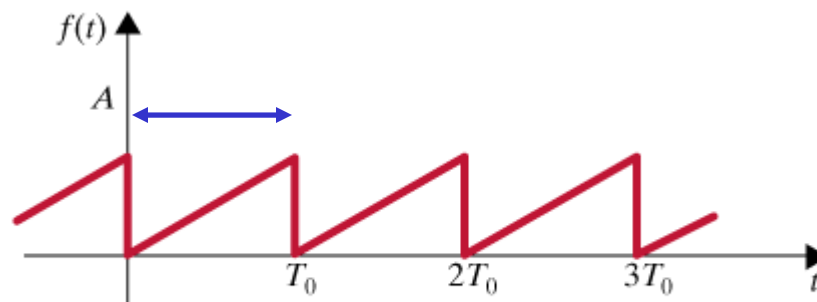
The *smallest*  $T$  that satisfies the previous condition is called the (fundamental) period of the signal



(a)



(b)



(c)

## FOURIER SERIES RESULTS

If  $f(t)$  is periodic, with period  $T_0$ , then  $f(t)$  can be expressed in one of the following equivalent forms

**Cosine expansion**

$$f(t) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} D_n \cos(n\omega_0 t + \theta_n) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \text{Re} \left[ D_n \angle \theta_n e^{jn\omega_0 t} \right]$$

Phasor for n-th harmonic

$$\omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T_0}$$

$$f(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{jn\omega_0 t}$$

**Complex exponential expansion**

$$D_n \angle \theta_n = 2c_n = a_n - jb_n$$

$$f(t) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos n\omega_0 t + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin n\omega_0 t$$

**Trigonometric series**

$$e^{j\alpha} = \cos \alpha + j \sin \alpha$$

$$e^{j\alpha} + e^{-j\alpha} = 2 \cos \alpha$$

$$e^{j\alpha} - e^{-j\alpha} = 2j \sin \alpha$$

$$c_0 = a_0$$

For  $n > 0$

**Relationship between exponential and trigonometric expansions**

$$c_n e^{jn\omega_0 t} + c_{-n} e^{-jn\omega_0 t} = (c_n + c_{-n}) \cos n\omega_0 t - j(c_n - c_{-n}) \sin n\omega_0 t$$

$$a_n$$

$$b_n$$

$$\Rightarrow 2c_n = a_n - jb_n$$

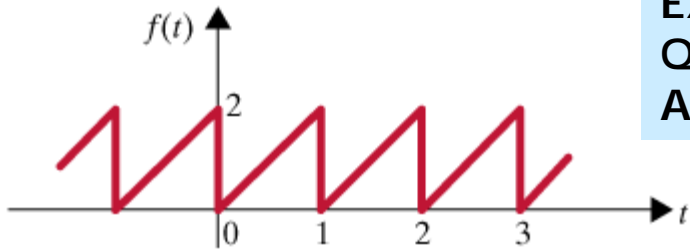
$$2c_{-n} = a_n + jb_n$$

If  $f(t)$  is real-valued then  $c_{-n} = (c_n)^*$

### GENERAL STRATEGY:

- . Approximate a periodic signal using a Fourier series
- . Analyze the network for each harmonic using phasors or complex exponentials
- . Use the superposition principle to determine the response to the periodic signal

## Original Periodic Signal

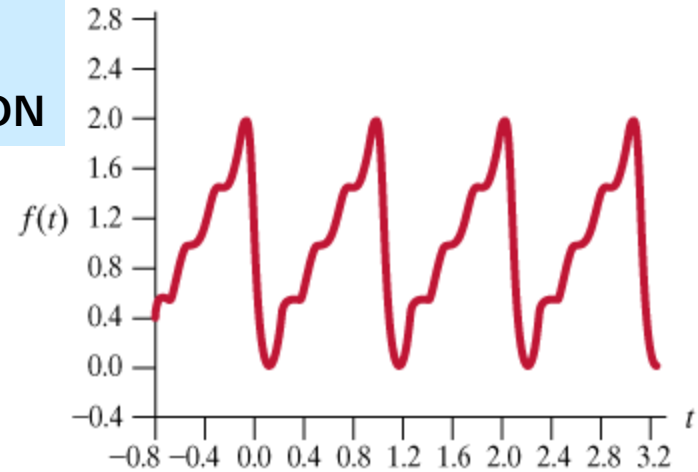


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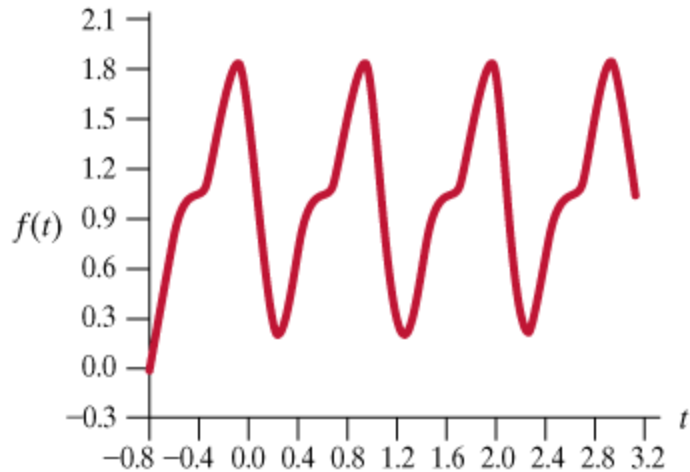
$$f_N(t) = \sum_{n=-N}^N c_n e^{jn\omega_0 t}$$

## Approximation with 4 terms



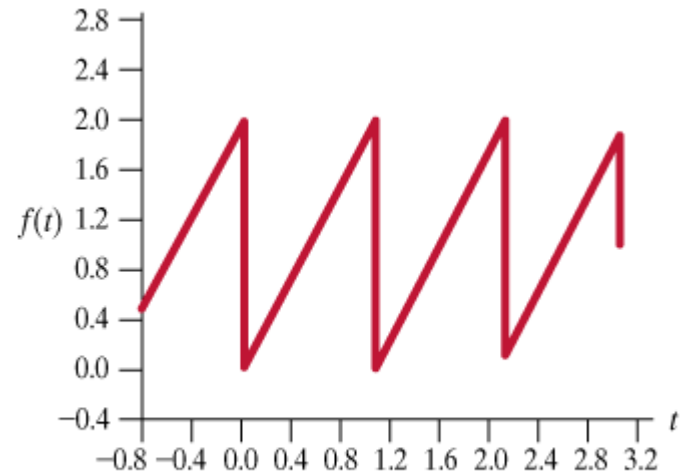
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## Approximation with 2 terms



$$f_2(t) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^2 a_n \cos n\omega_0 t + \sum_{n=1}^2 b_n \sin n\omega_0 t$$

## Approximation with 100 terms



$$a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{100} a_n \cos n\omega_0 t + \sum_{n=1}^{100} b_n \sin n\omega_0 t$$

## EXPONENTIAL FOURIER SERIES

Any "physically realizable" periodic signal, with period  $T_0$ , can be represented over the interval  $t_1 < t < t_1 + T_0$  by the expression

$$f(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{n=\infty} c_n e^{jn\omega_0 t}; \quad \omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T_0}$$

The sum of exponential functions is always a continuous function. Hence, the right hand side is a continuous function.

Technically, one requires the signal,  $f(t)$ , to be at least piecewise continuous. In that case, the equality does not hold at the points where the signal is discontinuous

### Computation of the exponential Fourier series coefficients

$$\int_{t_1}^{t_1+T_0} f(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{n=\infty} c_n e^{jn\omega_0 t} \times e^{-jk\omega_0 t}$$

$$\int_{t_1}^{t_1+T_0} e^{j(n-k)\omega_0 t} dt = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } n \neq k \\ T_0 & \text{for } n = k \end{cases}$$

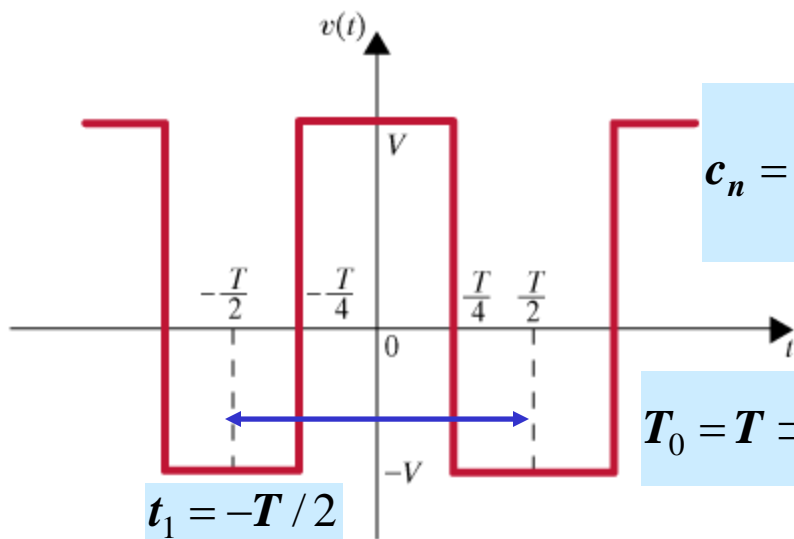
$$\int_{t_1}^{t_1+T_0} f(t) e^{-jk\omega_0 t} dt = \int_{t_1}^{t_1+T_0} \left( \sum_{n=-\infty}^{n=\infty} c_n e^{jn\omega_0 t} \right) e^{-jk\omega_0 t} dt$$

$$c_k = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_{t_1}^{t_1+T_0} f(t) e^{-jk\omega_0 t} dt$$

$t_1$  is arbitrary and can be chosen to make computations simpler

**EXAMPLE**

Determine the exponential Fourier series



$$c_n = \begin{cases} 0 & n \text{ even} \\ \frac{2V}{\pi n} \sin \frac{n\pi}{2} & n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

$$T_0 = T \Rightarrow \omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T}$$

$$f(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{n=\infty} c_n e^{jn\omega_0 t}; \quad \omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T_0}$$

$$c_n = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_{t_1}^{t_1+T_0} f(t) e^{-jn\omega_0 t} dt$$

- A strategy:
1. Determine  $T_0$  and  $\omega_0$
  2. Select a convenient  $t_1$
  3. Do the integration

$$c_n = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-\frac{T}{2}}^{\frac{T}{2}} v(t) e^{-jn\omega_0 t} dt = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-\frac{T}{2}}^{-\frac{T}{4}} (-V) e^{-jn\omega_0 t} dt + \frac{1}{T} \int_{-\frac{T}{4}}^{\frac{T}{4}} V e^{-jn\omega_0 t} dt - \frac{1}{T} \int_{\frac{T}{4}}^{\frac{T}{2}} V e^{-jn\omega_0 t} dt$$

$$\frac{e^{j\alpha} - e^{-j\alpha}}{j} = 2 \sin \alpha$$

$$T\omega_0 = 2\pi$$

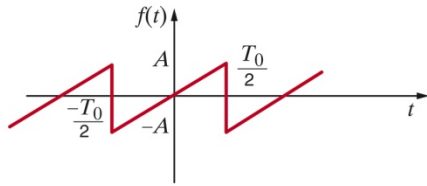
$$c_n = \frac{V}{T(jn\omega_0)} \left[ e^{-jn\omega_0 t} \Big|_{-\frac{T}{2}}^{-\frac{T}{4}} - e^{-jn\omega_0 t} \Big|_{-\frac{T}{4}}^{\frac{T}{4}} + e^{-jn\omega_0 t} \Big|_{\frac{T}{4}}^{\frac{T}{2}} \right]$$

This is for  $n \neq 0!$   
 $c_0 = 0$  in this case

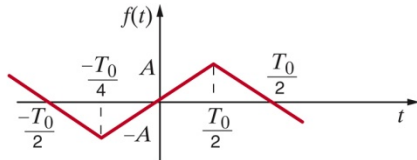
$$c_n = \frac{V}{jTn\omega_0} \left[ e^{-jn\omega_0 \left(-\frac{T}{4}\right)} - e^{-jn\omega_0 \left(-\frac{T}{2}\right)} - e^{-jn\omega_0 \left(\frac{T}{4}\right)} + e^{-jn\omega_0 \left(\frac{T}{4}\right)} + e^{-jn\omega_0 \left(\frac{T}{2}\right)} - e^{-jn\omega_0 \left(\frac{T}{4}\right)} \right]$$

$$c_n = \frac{V}{j2\pi n} \left[ 2e^{j\frac{n\pi}{2}} - 2e^{-j\frac{n\pi}{2}} + e^{-jn\pi} - e^{jn\pi} \right] = \frac{V}{2\pi n} \left[ 4 \sin \left( \frac{n\pi}{2} \right) - 2 \sin(n\pi) \right]$$

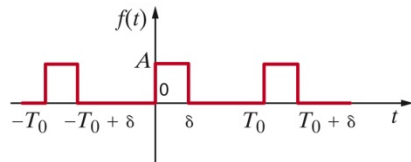
**TABLE 15.2** Fourier series for some common waveforms



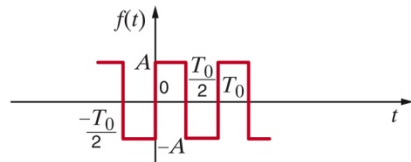
$$f(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{2A}{n\pi} \sin n\omega_0 t$$



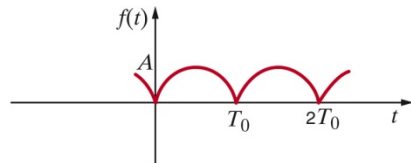
$$f(t) = \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ n \text{ odd}}}^{\infty} \frac{8A}{n^2 \pi^2} \sin \frac{n\pi}{2} \sin n\omega_0 t$$



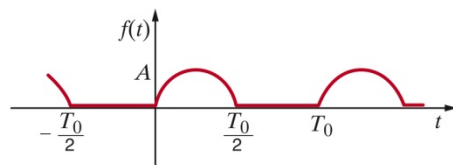
$$f(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{A}{n\pi} \sin \frac{n\pi\delta}{T_0} e^{jn\omega_0[t-(\delta/2)]}$$



$$f(t) = \sum_{n \text{ odd}}^{\infty} \frac{4A}{n\pi} \sin n\omega_0 t$$



$$f(t) = \frac{2A}{\pi} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4A}{\pi(1-4n^2)} \cos n\omega_0 t$$



$$f(t) = \frac{A}{\pi} + \frac{A}{2} \sin \omega_0 t + \sum_{\substack{n=2 \\ n \text{ even}}}^{\infty} \frac{2A}{\pi(1-n^2)} \cos n\omega_0 t$$

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