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## FOURIER TRANSFORM

To represent non-periodic signals in the frequency domain, we introduce the Fourier transform. Let  $x(t)$  be a non-periodic signal. Then the *Fourier transform* of  $x(t)$ , symbolized by  $\mathcal{F}$ , is defined by

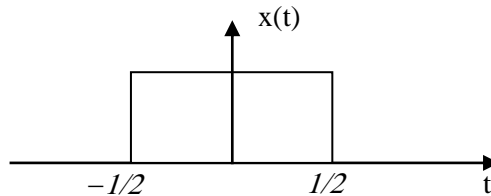
$$X(\omega) = \mathcal{F}[x(t)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)e^{-j\omega t} dt \quad (5.1)$$

The *inverse* Fourier transform of  $X(\omega)$ , symbolized by  $\mathcal{F}^{-1}$ , is defined by

$$x(t) = \mathcal{F}^{-1}[X(\omega)] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(\omega)e^{j\omega t} d\omega \quad (5.2)$$

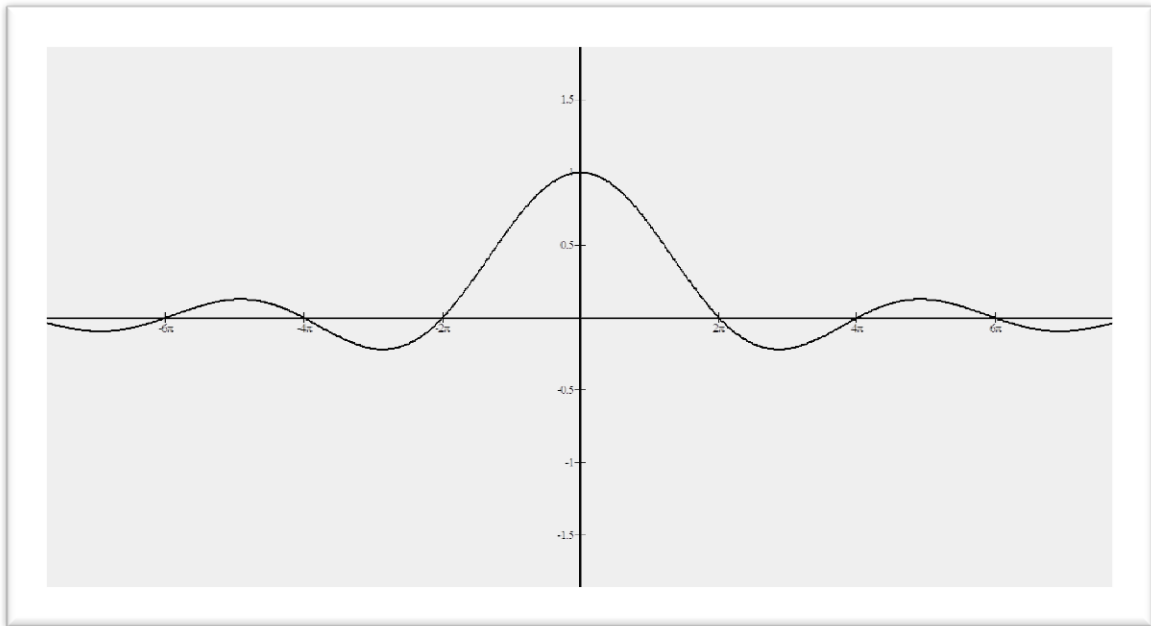
**Example 3.1:** Find the Fourier transform of the rectangular pulse signal  $x(t)$  defined by

**Sol.**  $x(t) = \text{rect}(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & |t| < 1/2 \\ 0 & |t| > 1/2 \end{cases}$



$$\begin{aligned} X(\omega) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)e^{-j\omega t} dt = \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} e^{-j\omega t} dt \\ &= \left. -\frac{1}{j\omega} e^{-j\omega t} \right|_{-1/2}^{1/2} = \frac{-1}{j\omega} [e^{-j\omega/2} - e^{j\omega/2}] \\ &= \frac{1}{j\omega} [e^{j\omega/2} - e^{-j\omega/2}] \\ &= \frac{2}{\omega} \left[ \frac{e^{j\omega/2} - e^{-j\omega/2}}{2j} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{2}{\omega} \sin(\omega/2) = \frac{\sin(\omega/2)}{(\omega/2)} = \text{sa}(\omega/2)$$



### **3.1 Properties of the Fourier Transform**

We use the notation  $x(t) \leftrightarrow X(\omega)$  to denote the Fourier transform pair.

#### **3.1.1 Linearity (Superposition)**

$$a_1x_1(t) \pm a_2x_2(t) \leftrightarrow a_1X_1(\omega) \pm a_2X_2(\omega) \quad (5.3)$$

where  $a_1$  and  $a_2$  are any constants.

#### **3.1.2 Time Shifting**

$$x(t \pm t_0) \leftrightarrow X(\omega)e^{\pm j\omega t_0} \quad (5.4)$$

For example we have in example 1  $\mathcal{F}[\text{rect}(t)] = \text{sa}(\omega/2)$ , then

$$\mathcal{F}[\text{rect}(t - 2)] = e^{-2j\omega} \text{sa}(\omega/2) \quad (\text{proof})$$

#### **3.1.3 Frequency shifting**

$$x(t)e^{\pm j\omega_0 t} \leftrightarrow X(\omega \mp \omega_0) \quad (5.5)$$

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$$\mathcal{F}[e^{2jt}rect(t)] = sa\left(\frac{\omega-2}{2}\right) \quad (\text{proof})$$

### 3.1.4 Scaling

$$x(at) \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{|a|} X\left(\frac{\omega}{a}\right) \quad (5.6)$$

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$$\mathcal{F}[rect(2t)] = \frac{1}{|2|} sa\left(\frac{\omega/2}{2}\right) \quad (\text{proof})$$

### 3.1.5 Time differentiation

$$\frac{d}{dt} x(t) \leftrightarrow j\omega X(\omega) \quad (5.7)$$

### 3.1.6 Time integration

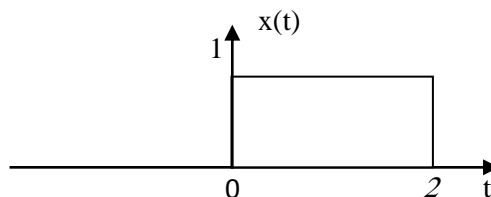
$$\int x(t) \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{j\omega} X(\omega) \quad (5.8)$$

H.W: Verify Eqs. (3.3) to (3.8).

**Example 3.2:** Find the Fourier transform of the rectangular pulse signal  $x(t)$  defined by

$$x(t) = rect\left(\frac{t-1}{2}\right) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 < t < 2 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

**Sol.**



There are two solutions:

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**First solution:** Using the properties

1) Applying scaling property

we have in example1  $\mathcal{F}[\text{rect}(t)] = \text{sa}(\omega/2)$ , then

$$\mathcal{F}\left[\text{rect}\left(\frac{1}{2}t\right)\right] = \frac{1}{|1/2|} \text{sa}\left(\frac{\omega}{2}\right) = 2 \text{sa}(\omega)$$

2) Applying time- shifting property

we have  $\mathcal{F}\left[\text{rect}\left(\frac{1}{2}t\right)\right] = 2 \text{sa}(\omega)$ , then

$$\mathcal{F}\left[\text{rect}\left(\frac{t-1}{2}\right)\right] = 2e^{-j\omega} \text{sa}(\omega)$$

**Second solution:** Using the general equation

$$\begin{aligned} X(\omega) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)e^{-j\omega t} dt \\ &= \int_0^2 1 \cdot e^{-j\omega t} dt \\ &= -\frac{1}{j\omega} e^{-j\omega t} \Big|_0^2 \\ &= \frac{-1}{j\omega} [e^{-j\omega*2} - 1] \\ &= \frac{1}{j\omega} [1 - e^{-j\omega*2}] \\ &= \frac{1}{j\omega} e^{-j\omega} [e^{j\omega} - e^{-j\omega}] \times \frac{2}{2} \\ &= \frac{2}{\omega} e^{-j\omega} \left[ \frac{e^{j\omega} - e^{-j\omega}}{2j} \right] \\ &= \frac{2}{\omega} e^{-j\omega} \sin(\omega) = 2e^{-j\omega} \frac{\sin(\omega)}{(\omega)} = 2e^{-j\omega} \text{sa}(\omega) \end{aligned}$$

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### 3.2 Fourier Transforms of Some Useful Signals

$$\delta(t) \leftrightarrow 1$$

$$\delta(t-t_0) \leftrightarrow e^{-j\omega t_0}$$

$$1 \leftrightarrow 2\pi \delta(\omega)$$

$$e^{j\omega t_0} \leftrightarrow 2\pi \delta(\omega - \omega_0)$$

H.W// Find the F.T of the following signals:

(1)  $x(t) = A \operatorname{rect}\left(\frac{t-3}{6}\right)$ ,

(2)  $x(t) = A \operatorname{rect}\left(\frac{t+2}{3}\right)$ ,

(3)  $x(t) = \cos \omega_0 t$

(4)  $x(t) = \operatorname{sgn}(t)$