Diagnostic Quiz

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1. For continuous signal

$$x(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & -\frac{T}{2} \le t \le \frac{T}{2} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Find the convolution of x(t) with itself, y(t) = x(t) * x(t).
- (b) Find the Fourier transform of y(t).

Solution:

(a)

$$\begin{split} y(t) &= x(t) * x(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) x(t-\tau) d\tau = \int_{t-\frac{T}{2}}^{t+\frac{T}{2}} x(\tau) d\tau \\ &= \begin{cases} 0, & t < -T \\ t+T, & -T \le t < 0 \\ -t+T, & 0 \le t \le T \\ 0, & t > T \end{cases} = \begin{cases} |t|+T, & |t| \le T \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \\ 0, & t > T \end{cases} \end{split}$$



(b)

$$X(f) = \int_{\alpha}^{\alpha+T} x(t)e^{-j2\pi ft}dt = \int_{-\frac{T}{2}}^{\frac{T}{2}} e^{-j2\pi ft}dt = \frac{1}{-j2\pi f} \left(e^{-j\pi fT} - e^{j\pi fT}\right)$$
$$= \frac{1}{\pi f}\sin(\pi fT) = T\operatorname{sinc}(fT)$$
$$Y(f) = X(f)^{2} = T^{2}\operatorname{sinc}^{2}(fT)$$

2. Compute the Fourier series coefficients of $x(t) = 2\sin(2t)$. Solution: The period of the signal is equal to $T_0 = \pi$.

$$x(t) = 2\sin(2t) = \frac{1}{j}e^{j2t} - \frac{1}{j}e^{-j2t} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x_n e^{j2\pi\frac{n}{\pi}t}$$
$$x_n = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{j}, & n = 1\\ \frac{-1}{j}, & n = -1\\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

3. Suppose X is a continuous random variable uniformly distributed on the interval (0, 1). Compute $E[X^n]$ for arbitrary positive integer n. Solution:

$$f_x(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \le x \le 1\\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$
$$E[X^n] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^n f_x(x) dx = \int_0^1 x^n dx = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} \Big|_0^1 = \frac{1}{n+1}$$

4. Suppose X_1, \dots, X_n are i.i.d. Bernouli (p) random variables. Do you remember the distribution of $Y = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n$? What is P(Y = k) for arbitrary k? Solution:

The distribution of Y is binomial.

$$X_{i} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{with probability } p \\ 0, & \text{with probability } 1 - p. \end{cases}$$
$$P(Y = k) = \binom{n}{k} p^{k} (1 - p)^{n-k}.$$