

# 1.0 Fundamentals

## A Signal

A signal is a function of one or more variables, which conveys information on the nature of some physical phenomena.

### Examples

$f(t)$  : a voice signal, a music signal

$f(x, y)$  : an image signal, a picture

$f(x, y, t)$  : a video signal

$x_n$  : a sequence of data (  $n$ : integer )

$b_n$  : a bit stream (  $b$ :1 or 0 )

## Continuous/Discrete-time Signals

## Exponential/Sinusoidal Signals

Basic Building Blocks from which one can construct many different signals

$$x(t) = e^{j\omega_0 t}, \omega_0 : \text{rad/sec} \quad x[n] = e^{j\omega_0 n}, \omega_0 : \text{rad}$$

frequency:  $\omega_0$

### Sinusoidal signal

$$x(t) = A \cos(\omega_0 t + f) = \text{Re}\{ A e^{j(\omega_0 t + f)} \} \quad x[n] = A \cos(\omega_0 n + f) = \text{Re}\{ A e^{j(\omega_0 n + f)} \} \quad A :$$

amplitude (envelope)

$\phi$  : phase

### Harmonically related signal sets

$$\{ f_k(t) = e^{jk\omega_0 t}, k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots \} \quad \{ f_k[n] = e^{jk\omega_0 n}, k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots \}$$

frequency:  $\omega_0$

## 1.1 Fourier Analysis of Signals

### Fourier Series Representation of Continuous-time Periodic Signals

$$x(t) = x(t+T), \quad T : \text{fundamental period}$$

- **Harmonically Related complex exponentials**

$$\{ e^{jk\omega_0 t}, k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots \}, \quad \omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T} \text{ (rad/sec)}$$

$$e^{jk\omega_0 t} \text{ with period } \frac{T}{|k|}$$

all with period  $T$

- **Fourier Series**

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty}$$

$$k=-\infty$$

$$x(t) = \sum_k a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t}$$

$a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t}$  : k-th harmonic components

-  $x(t)$  real

$$a_k^* = a_{-k}$$

$$x(t) = a_0 + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k \cos(k\omega_0 t + \theta_k), \quad a_k = A_k e^{j\theta_k}$$

# Fourier Series Representation of Continuous-time Periodic Signals

- **Determination of  $a_k$**

$$\int_T x(t) e^{-jn\omega_0 t} dt = \int_T \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t} e^{-jn\omega_0 t} dt$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_T e^{j(k-n)\omega_0 t} dt &= T, \quad k = n \\ &= 0, \quad k \neq n \end{aligned}$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{T} \int_T x(t) e^{-jn\omega_0 t} dt, \text{ Fourier series coefficients}$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{T} \int_T x(t) dt, \text{ dc component}$$

- **Vector Space Interpretation**

- vector space concept

$$\mathbf{V} = \{ \mathbf{v} \mid \mathbf{v} \text{ is a vector} \}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_1 + \mathbf{v}_2, \quad a\mathbf{v}_1$$

inner product : inner product space

$$\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2 : \mathbf{V} \times \mathbf{V} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

- vector space for periodic signals

$\{ x(t) : x(t) \text{ is periodic with period } T \}$   
could be a vector space

$$x_1(t) + x_2(t), \quad ax(t)$$

$$[x_1(t)] \cdot [x_2(t)] = \int_T x_1(t) x_2^*(t) dt$$

# Fourier Series Representation of Continuous-time Periodic Signals

- **Vector Space Interpretation**

- orthogonal basis

$$[e^{jk\omega_0 t}] \cdot [e^{jn\omega_0 t}] = 0, \quad k \neq n$$

$$= T, \quad k = n$$

$$\{e^{jk\omega_0 t}, k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots\}$$

is a set of orthogonal (not normalized) basis expanding a vector space of periodic signals with period T

- Fourier Series

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t}$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{T} \int_T x(t) e^{-jn\omega_0 t} dt = \frac{1}{T} [x(t)] \cdot [e^{jn\omega_0 t}]$$

- 3-dim Vector Space

$$\hat{A} = a_1 \hat{i} + a_2 \hat{j} + a_3 \hat{k}$$

$$\hat{a}_1 = \hat{A} \cdot \hat{i} = (a_1 \hat{i} + a_2 \hat{j} + a_3 \hat{k}) \cdot \hat{i}$$

- multi-dim Vector Space

$$\hat{A} = \sum_k a_k \hat{v}_k$$

$$a_k = \hat{A} \cdot \hat{v}_k = (\sum_j a_j \hat{v}_j) \cdot \hat{v}_k$$

- **Examples**

## **Fourier Series Representation of Discrete-time Periodic Signals**

$x[n] = x[n+N]$  , periodic with period  $N$

- **Harmonically related signal sets**

$$\left\{ e^{jk(\frac{2\pi}{N})n}, \quad k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots \right\}$$

all with period  $N$ ,  $\omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{N}$  (rad)

$$e^{jk(\frac{2\pi}{N})n} = e^{j(k+rN)(\frac{2\pi}{N})n}, \quad r: \text{integer}$$

only  $N$  distinct signals

- **Fourier Series**

$$x[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 n} = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{jk(\frac{2\pi}{N})n}$$

$$a_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n] e^{-jk\omega_0 n} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n] e^{-jk(\frac{2\pi}{N})n}$$

- **Fast Fourier Transform (FFT)**

fast algorithms to compute the transform

- **Vector Space Interpretation**

$$\{ x[n] : x[n] \text{ is periodic with period } N \}$$

inner product

$$(x_1[n]) \cdot (x_2[n]) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x_1[n] x_2^*[n]$$

$\{ e^{jk(\frac{2\pi}{N})n}, k = \langle N \rangle \}$  is a set of orthogonal basis

## **Fourier Transform for Continuous-time Aperiodic Signals**

### **• Fourier Series : for periodic signal**

$x(t) = x(t+T)$ ,  $T$  : fundamental period

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t}, \quad \omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T}$$

as  $T$  increases,  $\omega_0 = 2\pi/T$  decreases

the envelope  $Ta_k$  is sampled at closer and closer spacing

*See Figs. 3.6, 3.7, pp. 193, 195,  
Fig. 4.2, p.286 of Oppenheim*

- aperiodic :  $T \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\omega_0 \rightarrow 0$ ,  $a_k \rightarrow X(\omega)$

### **• Fourier Transform**

$$X(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt: \begin{array}{l} \text{spectrum, frequency domain} \\ \text{Fourier Transform} \end{array}$$

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(\omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega: \begin{array}{l} \text{signal, time domain} \\ \text{Inverse Fourier Transform} \end{array}$$

Fourier Transform pair

$$x(t) \xleftrightarrow{F} X(\omega)$$

$$X(\omega) = F\{x(t)\} , \quad x(t) = F^{-1}\{X(\omega)\}$$

## **Fourier Transform for Continuous-time Aperiodic Signals**

- **Vector Space Interpretation**

$\{x(t): x(t) \text{ is a continuous-time aperiodic signal}\}$

inner product

$$[x_1(t)] \cdot [x_2(t)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_1(t) x_2^*(t) dt$$

$$[e^{j\omega_1 t}] \cdot [e^{j\omega_2 t}] = 0 \quad \text{if} \quad \omega_1 \neq \omega_2$$

$\{e^{j\omega t}, \text{ all } \omega\}$  is a set of orthogonal (not normalized) basis

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

## **Discrete-time Fourier Transform of Discrete-time Aperiodic Signals**

- **Fourier Series for Discrete-time Periodic Signals**



$x[n] = x[n+N]$  , periodic with period  $N$

$$x[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 n} = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{jk \left( \frac{2\pi}{N} \right) n}$$

$$a_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n] e^{-jk\omega_0 n} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n] e^{-jk \left( \frac{2\pi}{N} \right) n}$$

- As  $N \rightarrow \infty$  ,  $\omega_0 \rightarrow 0$ ,  $a_k \rightarrow X(\omega)$

$$x[n] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{2\pi} X(\omega) e^{j\omega n} d\omega$$

signal, time-domain,  
Inverse Discrete-time  
Fourier Transform

$$X(\omega) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n] e^{-j\omega n}$$

spectrum, frequency domain  
Discrete-time Fourier Transform

- Similar format to all Fourier analysis representation previously discussed

- **Note:**  $X(\omega)$  is continuous and periodic with period  $2\pi$   
Integration over  $2\pi$  only

- **Vector Space Interpretation**

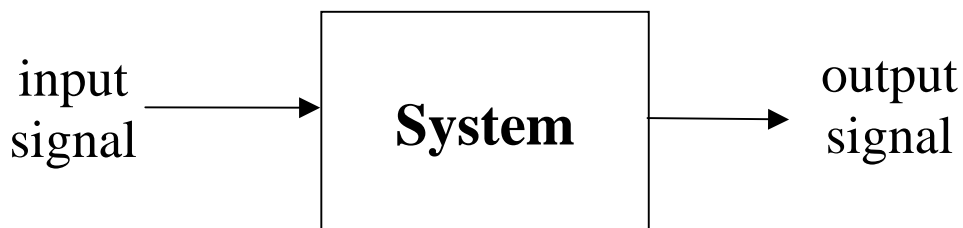
$$X(\omega) = (x[n]) \cdot (e^{j\omega n})$$

*Ref: Oppenheim 3.3, 3.6, 4.1.1, 5.1.1*

## 1.2 Systems and Input/Output Relationships

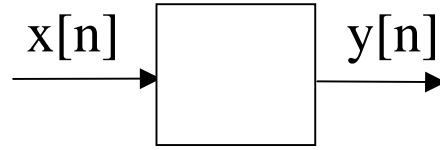
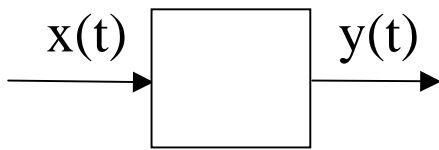
### A System

- **An entity that manipulates one or more signals to accomplish some function, including yielding some new signals.**



- **Examples**
  - an electric circuit
  - a telephone handset
  - a PC software receiving pictures from Internet
  - a TV set
  - a computer with some software handling some data

# Continuous/Discrete-time Systems



- **Linearity**

- linear: superposition property

$$x_k[n] \rightarrow y_k[n]$$

$$\sum_k a_k x_k[n] \rightarrow \sum_k a_k y_k[n]$$

- scaling or homogeneity property

$$x[n] \rightarrow y[n]$$

$$ax[n] \rightarrow ay[n]$$

- additive property

$$x_i[n] \rightarrow y_i[n]$$

$$x_1[n] + x_2[n] \rightarrow y_1[n] + y_2[n]$$

- **Time Invariance**

- system characteristics fixed over time

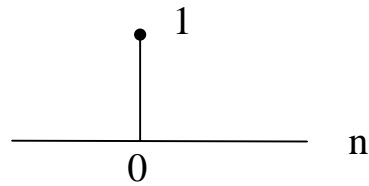
$$x[n] \rightarrow y[n]$$

$$x[n-k] \rightarrow y[n-k]$$

# Unit Impulse

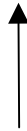
- **Discrete-time**

$$[n] = \begin{cases} 0, & n \neq 0 \\ 1, & n = 0 \end{cases}$$



– Unit Impulse Representation of A Discrete-time Signal

$$x[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x[k] \delta[n-k]$$

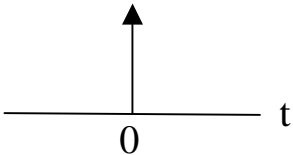


a unit impulse located at  $n = k$   
on index  $n$

*See Fig. 2.1 , P. 76 of Oppenheim*

# Unit Impulse

- **Continuous-time**

$$\delta(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & t \neq 0 \\ \infty \text{ or undefined,} & t = 0 \end{cases}$$


- First Derivative of Unit Step Function

$$u(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & t \geq 0 \\ 0, & t < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\delta(t) = \frac{du(t)}{dt}$$

*See Fig. 1.33 , Fig. 1.34, P. 33 of Oppenheim*

- Unit Area Definition

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t) dt = 1$$

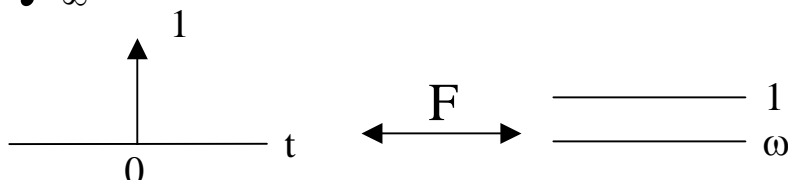
- Operational Definition, Unit Impulse  
Representation of A Continuous-time Signal

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

↑  
a unit impulse located at  $\tau = t$   
on index  $\tau$

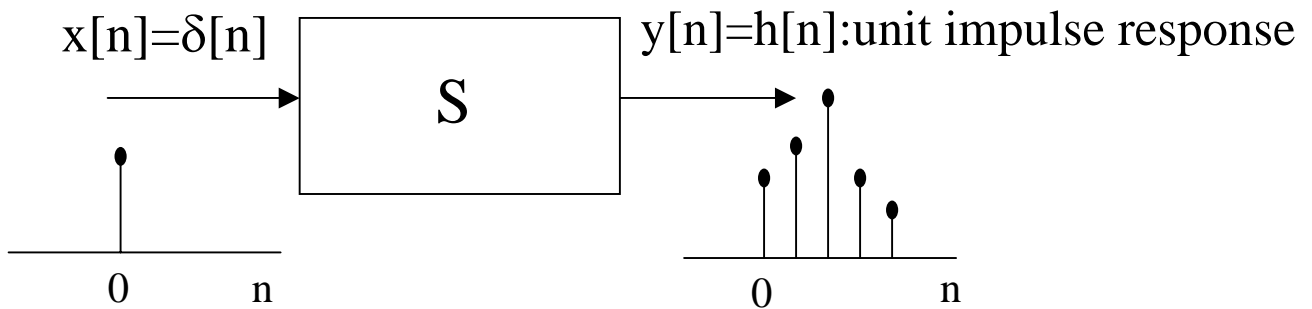
- Unit Step Function Has A Flat Spectrum

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt = 1, \text{ all } \omega$$



# Convolution Sum for Discrete-time Systems

- **Defining the Output for an Unit Impulse Input as the Unit Impulse Response**



- **By Linearity (Superposition Property) and Time Invariance**

- The output for an arbitrary input signal is the superposition of a series of “shifted, scaled unit impulse response”

$$\sum_k a_k x_k[n] \rightarrow \sum_k a_k y_k[n]$$

$\uparrow \quad \uparrow \quad \uparrow \quad \uparrow$   
 $x[k] \quad \delta[n-k] \quad x[k] \quad h[n-k]$

$$x[n] = \sum_k x[k] \delta[n-k]$$

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x[k] h[n-k] \equiv x[n] * h[n]$$

$$= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h[k] x[n-k] \equiv h[n] * x[n]$$

Convolution Sum

*See Fig. 2.3 , P. 80 of Oppenheim*

# Convolution Sum for Discrete-time Systems

- **A Different Way to Visualize the Convolution Sum**

- looked at on the index  $k$

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x[k]h[n-k]$$

Contribution to the output signal at time  $n$

input signal

reflected-over version of  $h[k]$  located at  $k = n$

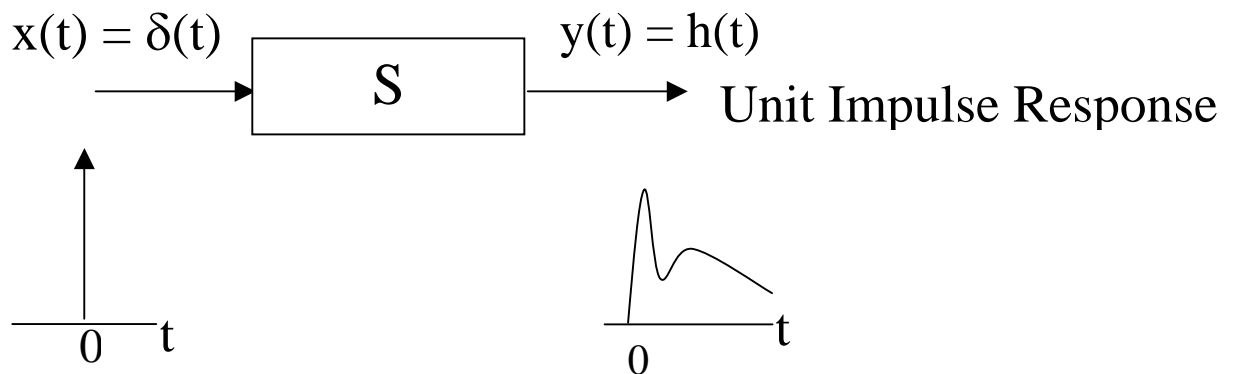
- on the dummy index  $k$ ,  $h[k]$  is reflected over and shifted to  $k=n$ , weighted by  $x[k]$  and summed to produce an output sample  $y[n]$  at time  $n$

*See Figs 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, pp. 83-85 of Oppenheim*

- **A linear time-invariant discrete-time system is completely characterized by its unit impulse response**

# Convolution Integral for Continuous-time Systems

- **Defining the output for an unit impulse input as the unit impulse response**



- **By Linearity (Superposition Property)**

- The output for an arbitrary input signal is the superposition of a series of “shifted, scaled unit impulse response”

$$\sum_k a_k x_k(t) \rightarrow \sum_k a_k y_k(t)$$

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

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

Arrows indicate the correspondence between the terms in the superposition sum and the integrals:  $a_k$  maps to  $x(\tau)$  and  $x_k(t)$  maps to  $\delta(t-\tau)$  in the input integral, and  $a_k$  maps to  $x(\tau)$  and  $y_k(t)$  maps to  $h(t-\tau)$  in the output integral.

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

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

**Convolution Integral**



# Convolution Integral for Continuous-time Systems

- **A Different Way to visualize the convolution integral**

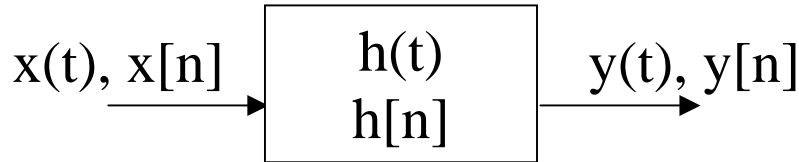
- Looked at on the index  $\tau$

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

The diagram illustrates the convolution integral  $y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) h(t-\tau) d\tau$ . Three vertical arrows point from descriptive labels below to terms in the equation above. The first arrow points from 'output signal at time t' to  $y(t)$ . The second arrow points from 'input signal' to  $x(\tau)$ . The third arrow points from 'reflected-over version of h(t) located at  $\tau=t$ ' to  $h(t-\tau)$ .

- On the dummy index  $\tau$ ,  $h(t)$  is reflected over and shifted to  $\tau = t$ , weighted by  $x(t)$  and integrated to produce the output value at time  $t$ ,  $y(t)$
- **A linear time-invariant continuous-time system is completely characterized by its unit impulse response**

# Response of A Linear Time-invariant System to An Exponential Signal



- **Continuous-time**

$$x(t) = e^{j\omega_0 t}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau) x(t-\tau) d\tau = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau) e^{j\omega_0(t-\tau)} d\tau \\ &= (e^{j\omega_0 t}) \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau) e^{-j\omega_0 \tau} d\tau}_{H(\omega_0)} \end{aligned}$$

$h(t) \xleftrightarrow{F} H(\omega)$

- if an input signal has a single frequency component, the output will be exactly the same, except scaled
- $H(\omega)$  : frequency response, or transfer function

- **Discrete-time**

$$x[n] = e^{j\omega_0 n}$$

$$y[n] = (e^{j\omega_0 n}) \cdot \underbrace{\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h[k] e^{-j\omega_0 k}}_{H(\omega_0)}$$

$h[n] \xleftrightarrow{F} H(\omega)$

# System Characterization

- **Superposition Property for Frequency Domain**

- periodic (Fourier Series)

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t} \rightarrow y(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k H(k\omega_0) e^{jk\omega_0 t}$$

$$x[n] = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 n} \rightarrow y[n] = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} a_k H(k\omega_0) e^{jk\omega_0 n}$$

- aperiodic (Fourier Transform)

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(\omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow y(t) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} H(\omega) X(\omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega \\ &= F^{-1}[H(\omega)X(\omega)] \end{aligned}$$

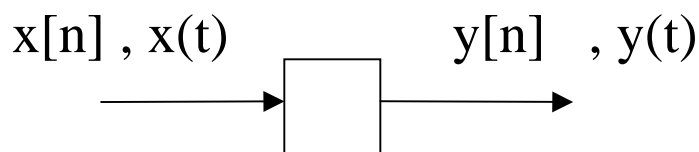
$$y(t) = x(t) * h(t) \xleftrightarrow{F} Y(\omega) = X(\omega)H(\omega)$$

$$y[n] = x[n] * h[n] \xleftrightarrow{F} Y(\omega) = X(\omega)H(\omega)$$

- Convolution Property of Fourier Transform

- $H(\omega)$  frequency response,  
or transfer function

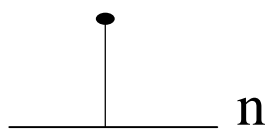
# System Characterization



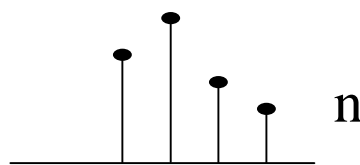
- **Unit impulse as signal components**

- each component split to many other components, thus convolution required for computing the output

$\delta[n]$  ,  $\delta(t)$

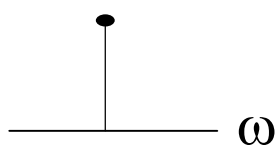


$h[n]$  ,  $h(t)$

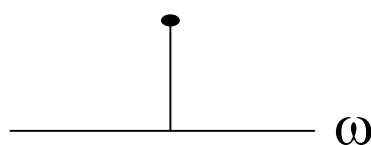


- **Single frequency as signal components**

$e^{j\omega n}$  ,  $e^{j\omega t}$



$H(\omega)e^{j\omega n}$  ,  $H(\omega)e^{j\omega t}$



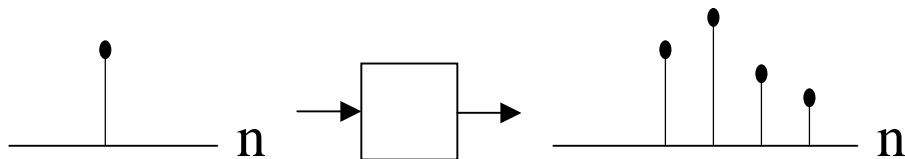
- each frequency component never split to other frequency components, convolution reduced to multiplication

# Vector Space Interpretation

## • Discrete-time

- $\{ x[n], x[n] \text{ is a discrete-time signal} \} = V$
- $\{ \delta[n-k], k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots \}$  is a set of orthonormal basis
- $(\delta[n-k]) \cdot (\delta[n-j]) = 1, k = j$   
 $0, k \neq j$

$$x[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x[k] \delta[n-k] = (x[k]) \cdot (\delta[n-k])$$

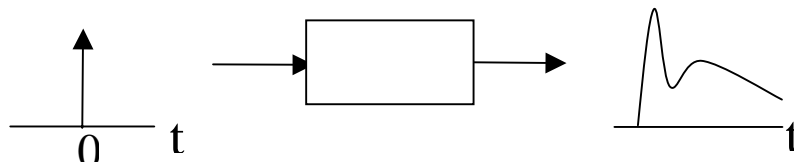


## • Continuous-time

- $\{ x(t), x(t) \text{ is a continuous-time signal} \} = V$
- $\{ \delta(t-\tau), -\infty < \tau < \infty \}$  is a set of orthogonal (not normalized) basis

$$[\delta(t-\tau_1)] \cdot [\delta(t-\tau_2)] = 0, \tau_1 \neq \tau_2$$

$$x(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) \delta(t-\tau) d\tau = [x(\tau)] \cdot [\delta(t-\tau)]$$



# Vector Space Interpretation

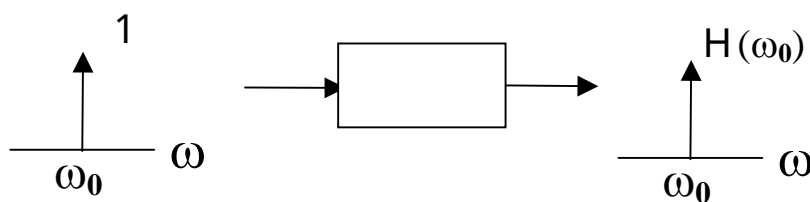
## · Frequency Domain

### - Continuous-time

$\{ e^{j\omega t}, -\infty < \omega < \infty \}$  is a set of orthogonal (not normalized) basis

$$[e^{j\omega_1 t}] \cdot [e^{j\omega_2 t}] = 0, \quad \omega_1 \neq \omega_2$$

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

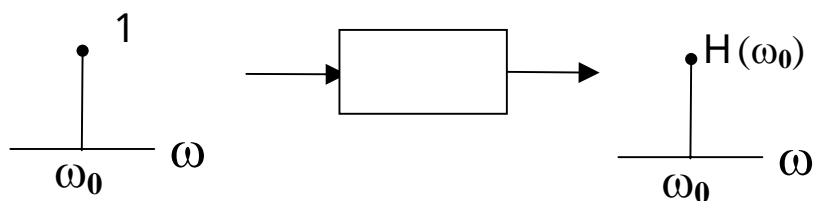


### - Discrete-time

$\{ e^{j\omega n}, 0 < \omega < 2\pi \}$  is a set of orthogonal (not normalized) basis

$$[e^{j\omega_1 n}] \cdot [e^{j\omega_2 n}] = 0, \quad \omega_1 \neq \omega_2$$

$$X(\omega) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n] e^{-j\omega n} = (x[n]) \cdot (e^{j\omega n})$$



*Ref: Oppenheim 2.1, 2.2, 3.2, 4.4*