

# Spectrum of periodic signals

Signals and codes (SK)

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Lecture 3



# Lecture goal and content

## Goal

- Be able to find spectral representation of arbitrary periodical signal and reconstruct the signal back from the spectrum.

## Content

- Multiplication of sinusoids – beat note
- Amplitude modulation (AM) principle
- Periodic and nonperiodic signals
- Fourier series
- Fourier analysis
- Fourier synthesis
- From Fourier series to Fourier transform
- From Fourier transform to Short time Fourier transform

# SPECTRUM OF PERIODIC SIGNALS

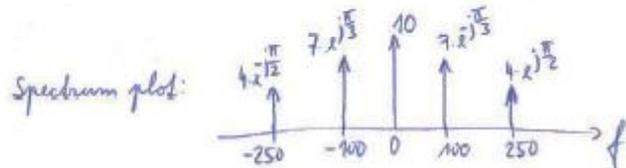
Ex.3-1 Find two-sided spectrum (recall the last lecture)

of  $x(t) = 10 + 14 \cos(200\pi t - \frac{\pi}{3}) + 8 \cos(500\pi t + \frac{\pi}{2})$

Sol.:  $x(t) = 10 + \frac{14}{2} (e^{j(200\pi t - \frac{\pi}{3})} + e^{-j(200\pi t - \frac{\pi}{3})}) + \frac{8}{2} (e^{j(500\pi t + \frac{\pi}{2})} + e^{-j(500\pi t + \frac{\pi}{2})}) =$

$= 10 + 7 \cdot e^{-j\frac{\pi}{3}} \cdot e^{j2\pi \cdot 100 t} + 7 \cdot e^{j\frac{\pi}{3}} \cdot e^{-j2\pi \cdot 100 t} + 4 \cdot e^{j\frac{\pi}{2}} \cdot e^{j2\pi \cdot 250 t} + 4 \cdot e^{-j\frac{\pi}{2}} \cdot e^{-j2\pi \cdot 250 t}$

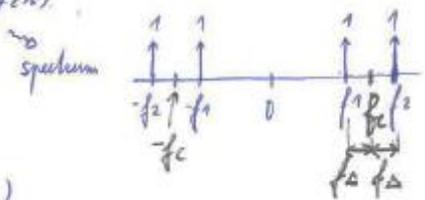
∴ Spectrum is  $\{(0, 10), (100, 7e^{-j\frac{\pi}{3}}), (-100, 7e^{j\frac{\pi}{3}}), (250, 4e^{j\frac{\pi}{2}}), (-250, 4e^{-j\frac{\pi}{2}})\}$



## Multiplication of sinusoids - beat note

Consider  $x(t) = \cos(2\pi f_1 t) + \cos(2\pi f_2 t)$

Define  $f_1 = f_c - f_a$ ,  $f_2 = f_c + f_a$   
 center frequency  $\nearrow$   
 frequency deviation  $\nearrow$



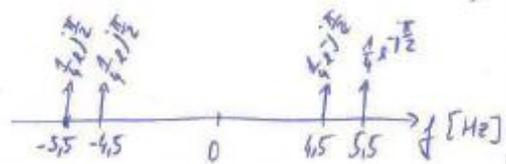
Then  $f_c = \frac{1}{2}(f_1 + f_2)$ ,  $f_a = \frac{1}{2}(f_2 - f_1)$

$x(t) = \cos(2\pi f_1 t) + \cos(2\pi f_2 t) = \text{Re}\{e^{j2\pi f_1 t}\} + \text{Re}\{e^{j2\pi f_2 t}\} =$   
 $= \text{Re}\{e^{j2\pi(f_c - f_a)t}\} + \text{Re}\{e^{j2\pi(f_c + f_a)t}\} = \text{Re}\{e^{j2\pi f_c t} (e^{-j2\pi f_a t} + e^{j2\pi f_a t})\} =$   
 $= \text{Re}\{e^{j2\pi f_c t} \cdot 2 \cos(2\pi f_a t)\} = 2 \cos(2\pi f_c t) \cos(2\pi f_a t)$

∴ multiplication leads to addition and vice versa

Ex.3-2: Find spectrum of a product  $x(t) = \cos \pi t \cdot \sin 10\pi t$

Sol.:  $x(t) = \cos \pi t \cdot \sin 10\pi t = \frac{e^{j\pi t} + e^{-j\pi t}}{2} \cdot \frac{e^{j10\pi t} - e^{-j10\pi t}}{2j} =$   
 $= \frac{e^{j\pi t} + e^{-j\pi t}}{2} \cdot \frac{e^{j10\pi t} \cdot e^{-j\frac{\pi}{2}} + e^{-j10\pi t} \cdot e^{j\frac{\pi}{2}}}{2j} =$   
 $= \frac{1}{4} (e^{j11\pi t} \cdot e^{-j\frac{\pi}{2}} + e^{j9\pi t} \cdot e^{j\frac{\pi}{2}} + e^{j9\pi t} \cdot e^{-j\frac{\pi}{2}} + e^{j11\pi t} \cdot e^{j\frac{\pi}{2}})$



Not necessary for this Ex  
 $\frac{1}{2} \cos(11\pi t - \frac{\pi}{2}) + \frac{1}{2} \cos(9\pi t - \frac{\pi}{2}) = \frac{1}{2} (\sin 11\pi t + \sin 9\pi t)$

note: original frequencies 0.5 Hz and 5 Hz are missing in the spectrum, but there is  $5 \pm 0.5$  Hz components instead.  
 $f_c$  coming from  $\sin 10\pi t$   $\nearrow$   $f_a$  coming from  $\cos \pi t$

## Amplitude modulation (AM) principle

$w(t)$  ... transmitted signal (e.g. voice)

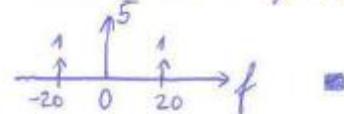
$\cos 2\pi f_c t$  ... carrier signal,  $f_c$  ... carrier frequency

AM signal:  $x(t) = w(t) \cos(2\pi f_c t)$

∴ nearly the same as the beat note, but including  $f_c$  frequency <sup>components</sup>

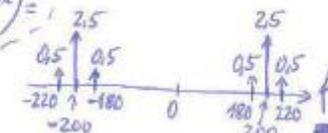
Ex.3-3: Derive the spectrum of  $w(t) = 5 + 2 \cos 2\pi 20t$  and plot it.

Sol.:  $w(t) = 5 + e^{j2\pi 20t} + e^{-j2\pi 20t}$



Ex.3-4: Now take  $w(t)$  from Ex.3-3 and derive the spectrum for  $x(t) = w(t) \cdot \cos(2\pi 200t)$  and plot it.

Sol.:  $x(t) = (5 + e^{j2\pi 20t} + e^{-j2\pi 20t}) \cdot \frac{1}{2} (e^{j2\pi 200t} + e^{-j2\pi 200t}) =$   
 $= \frac{1}{2} (5e^{j2\pi 200t} + 5e^{-j2\pi 200t} + e^{j2\pi 220t} + e^{-j2\pi 180t} + e^{j2\pi 180t} + e^{-j2\pi 220t})$



note: compare spectrums in last two exercises

note: Real AM broadcasting ---  $150 \text{ kHz} < f_c < 26 \text{ MHz}$ , channel spacing  $9 \text{ kHz}$   
 (broad band) (base band)

Periodic and nonperiodic signals

• Periodic signals  $x(t) = x(t + T_0)$ ,  $T_0$  ... fundamental period  
 Such signals can be reconstructed from cosines of harmonically related frequencies, i.e. if ALL frequencies are integer multiple of  $f_0$ , signal can be reconstructed using  $N+1$  waveforms:

$$x(t) = A_0 + \sum_{k=1}^N A_k \cos(2\pi k f_0 t + \varphi_k), \text{ where}$$

$f_0$  ... fundamental frequency, greatest common divisor (g.c.d.) of all the signal frequencies  
 $f_k$  ...  $k^{\text{th}}$  harmonic frequency

Ex. 3-5: Signal contains frequencies  $\{1, 2; 2; 6\}$  kHz. Find the fundamental frequency, state which harmonic frequencies does the signal contain. Is the signal periodic?

Sol.:  $\text{g.c.d.}(1, 2; 2; 6) = 0,4 \text{ kHz} = f_0$   
 $\frac{1,2}{0,4} = 3^{\text{th}}$  harmonic,  $\frac{2}{0,4} = 5^{\text{th}}$  harmonic,  $\frac{6}{0,4} = 15^{\text{th}}$  harmonic. Signal is periodic.

• Nonperiodic signals

What if one frequency in a signal exists, which is not a rational multiple of each other?

$$x(t) = A_0 + \sum_{k=1}^N A_k \cos(2\pi f_k t + \varphi_k) \dots \text{still valid, BUT no assumptions about } f_k$$

Periodicity is tied to harmonic frequencies!

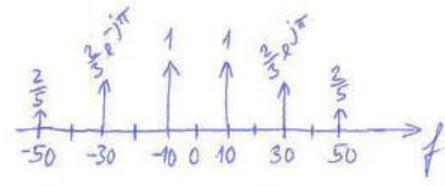
Ex. 3-6: Consider two signals which seem nearly the same:

$$x_1(t) = 2 \cos(20\pi t) - \frac{2}{3} \cos(20\pi \cdot 3 \cdot t) + \frac{2}{5} \cos(20\pi \cdot 5 \cdot t)$$

$$x_2(t) = 2 \cos(20\pi t) - \frac{2}{3} \cos(20\pi \cdot \sqrt{8} \cdot t) + \frac{2}{5} \cos(20\pi \cdot 5 \cdot t)$$

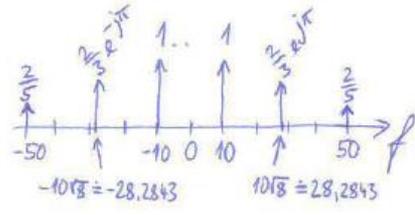
Sketch the spectrum plot of these signal, plot them in duration of 10 periods using SW of your choice. Observe, which one is periodic.

Sol.: Spectrum of  $x_1(t)$

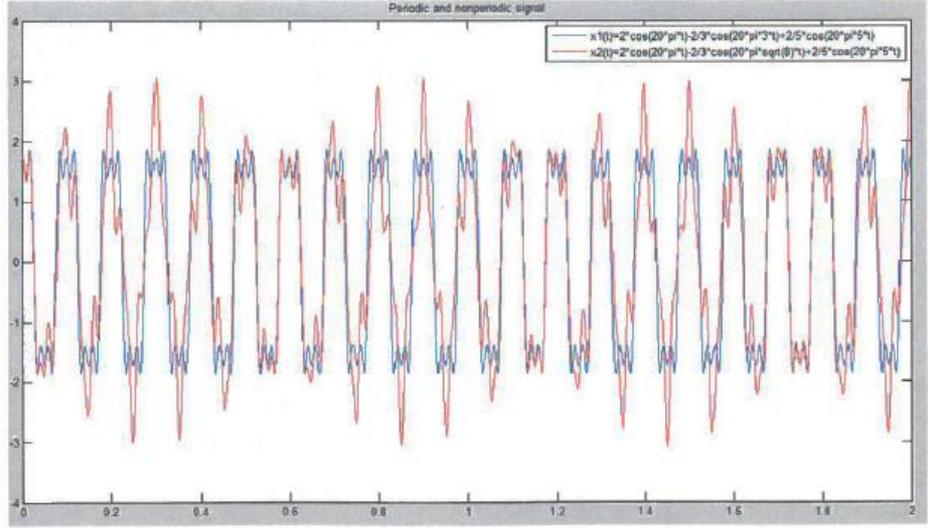


$f_0 = 10 \text{ Hz}$  and has to be periodic

Spectrum of  $x_2(t)$



$f_0 \rightarrow 0$  ... can not be periodic



## Fourier series

- above examples show, that we can synthesize PERIODIC signals by summing harmonically related sinusoids.

Fourier series build general theory, how any periodic signal can be synthesized using sum of harmonically related sinusoids.

Fourier series:  $x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} a_k \cdot e^{j2\pi f_0 k t}$ , where

$f_0 \dots$  fundamental frequency,  $f_0 = \frac{1}{T_0}$   $\leftarrow$  fundamental period  
 $f_k = k \cdot f_0 \dots$   $k^{\text{th}}$  harmonic frequency

2 aspects of Fourier theory:

- Fourier analysis ... starting from  $x(t)$  ... calculating  $\{a_k\}$  set of
- Fourier synthesis ... starting from  $\{a_k\}$  ... calculating  $x(t)$

Q: What is the relation between  $\{a_k\}$  and spectrum of the signal  $x(t)$ ?

A:  $\{a_k\}$  is set of complex amplitudes  $a_k$ . Each  $a_k$  is exactly a value of spectral line at respective frequency  $f_k$ !

## Fourier analysis

How to calculate complex amplitudes  $a_k$ ?

By Fourier integral  $a_k = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_0^{T_0} x(t) \cdot e^{-j2\pi f_0 k t} dt$

note: integral limits are arbitrary, when covering one whole period  $T_0$

note: for  $k=0$  we obtain  $a_0 = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_0^{T_0} x(t) dt$ , which is already known as an average value (or DC value) of periodic signal.

## Fourier synthesis

How to calculate  $x(t)$  from set of  $\{a_k\}$ ?

We use original Fourier series formula  $x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} a_k \cdot e^{j2\pi f_0 k t}$

Then we use inverse Euler formulas and due to symmetry  $a_k = a_{-k}^*$  we finally obtain some combination of cosine functions.

Ex. 3.7: Perform Fourier analysis of a signal  $x(t) = \cos(2\pi f_0 t + \frac{\pi}{8})$

Sol:  $a_k = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_0^{T_0} x(t) \cdot e^{-j2\pi f_0 k t} dt = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_0^{T_0} \cos(2\pi f_0 t + \frac{\pi}{8}) \cdot e^{-j2\pi f_0 k t} dt =$

$$= \frac{1}{T_0} \int_0^{T_0} \frac{1}{2} (e^{j(2\pi f_0 t + \frac{\pi}{8})} + e^{-j(2\pi f_0 t + \frac{\pi}{8})}) \cdot e^{-j2\pi f_0 k t} dt =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2T_0} \int_0^{T_0} e^{j\frac{\pi}{8}} \cdot e^{j2\pi f_0 t(1-k)} + e^{-j\frac{\pi}{8}} \cdot e^{-j2\pi f_0 t(1+k)} dt$$

note:  $k$  represents all integers

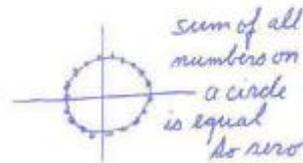
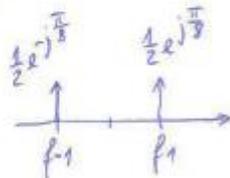
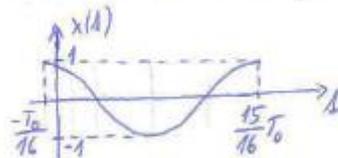
For  $k=1$ :  $a_1 = \frac{1}{2T_0} e^{j\frac{\pi}{8}} \int_0^{T_0} e^{j0} dt = \frac{1}{2} e^{j\frac{\pi}{8}}$

For  $k=-1$ :  $a_{-1} = \frac{1}{2} e^{-j\frac{\pi}{8}}$

For all other  $k$  we obtain  $a_k = 0$ , because

$$\int_0^{T_0} e^{j2\pi f_0 k t} dt = 0 \text{ for all integers } k \neq 0.$$

Solution is done. We can plot original signal and the spectrum, i.e.  $\{a_k\}$ .

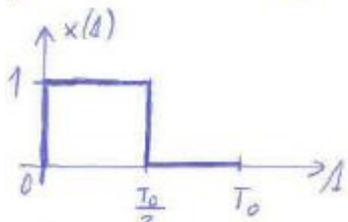


notes: • The spectrum is as expected, but we observed the procedure of computing Fourier integral.

• We observed so called orthogonality property of complex exponential, i.e. from the "long" expression inside the Fourier integral for the specific  $\underline{f}$  only the summand with  $e^{j2\pi f_0 \Delta (k-k)} = e^{j2\pi f_0 \Delta \cdot 0} = e^{j \cdot 0} = 1$

leads to nonzero result of the integral.

Ex.3-8: Find spectrum of graphically given continuous time signal  $x(t)$  with a fundamental period  $T_0$ .



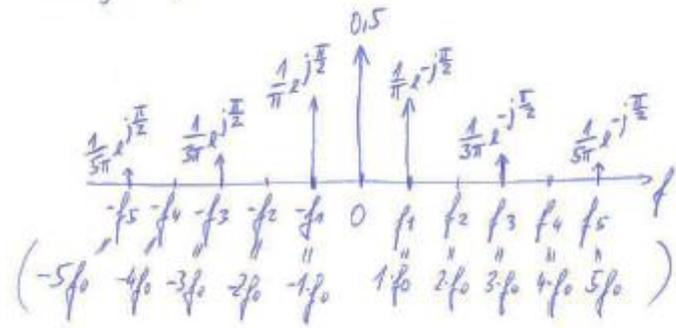
Sol:  $a_k = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_0^{T_0} x(t) \cdot e^{-j2\pi f_0 k t} dt = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_0^{T_0/2} 1 \cdot e^{-j2\pi f_0 k t} dt = \frac{1}{T_0} \cdot \frac{1}{-j2\pi f_0 k} [e^{-j2\pi f_0 k t}]_0^{T_0/2} = \frac{1}{-j2\pi f_0 k} (e^{-j2\pi f_0 k \frac{T_0}{2}} - 1) = \frac{1}{-j2\pi k} (e^{-j\pi k} - 1)$

$T_0 = \frac{1}{f_0}$   
 $= \frac{1}{-j2\pi k} (e^{-j\pi k} - 1)$   
 for even  $k \dots e^{-j\pi k} = 1 \implies a_k = 0$   
 for odd  $k \dots e^{-j\pi k} = -1 \implies a_k = \frac{1}{-j2\pi k} (-1-1) = \frac{1}{j\pi k} = \frac{1}{k\pi} \cdot e^{-j\frac{\pi}{2}}$

So:  $a_0 = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_0^{T_0} x(t) dt = 0.5$   
 $a_1 = \frac{1}{\pi} e^{-j\frac{\pi}{2}}, a_{-1} = -\frac{1}{\pi} e^{-j\frac{\pi}{2}} = \frac{1}{\pi} e^{j\frac{\pi}{2}}$   
 $a_2 = 0, a_{-2} = 0$   
 $a_3 = \frac{1}{3\pi} e^{-j\frac{\pi}{2}}, a_{-3} = -\frac{1}{3\pi} e^{-j\frac{\pi}{2}}$   
 $a_4 = 0, a_{-4} = 0$   
 $a_5 = \frac{1}{5\pi} e^{-j\frac{\pi}{2}}, a_{-5} = -\frac{1}{5\pi} e^{-j\frac{\pi}{2}}$   
 etc. etc.

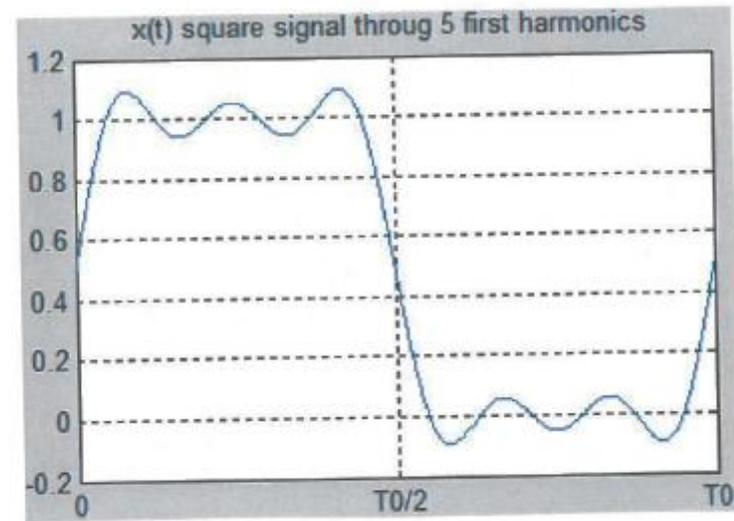
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Plotting the first 5 harmonics we obtain



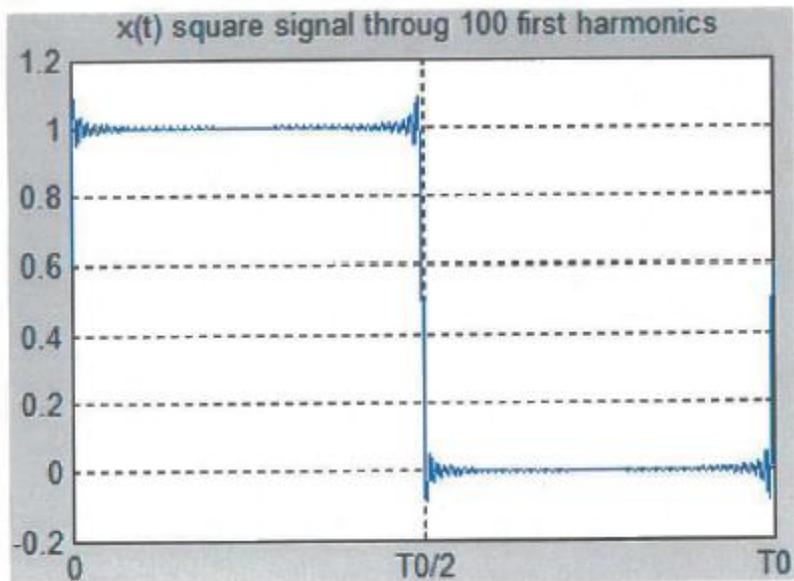
Ex.3-9: Synthesize the signal from the resulting spectrum of the square signal (Ex.3-8) through first 5 harmonics. What the result using 5W of your choice.

Sol:  $x(t) = \sum_{k=-5}^{+5} a_k \cdot e^{j2\pi f_0 k t} = \frac{1}{5\pi} e^{j\frac{\pi}{2}} \cdot e^{j2\pi f_0 (-5)t} + \frac{1}{5\pi} e^{j\frac{\pi}{2}} \cdot e^{j2\pi f_0 (-3)t} + \frac{1}{5\pi} e^{j\frac{\pi}{2}} \cdot e^{j2\pi f_0 (-1)t} + 0.5 + \frac{1}{\pi} e^{-j\frac{\pi}{2}} \cdot e^{j2\pi f_0 \cdot 1 \cdot t} + \frac{1}{3\pi} e^{-j\frac{\pi}{2}} \cdot e^{j2\pi f_0 \cdot 3 \cdot t} + \frac{1}{5\pi} e^{-j\frac{\pi}{2}} \cdot e^{j2\pi f_0 \cdot 5 \cdot t} = 0.5 + \frac{2}{\pi} \cos(2\pi f_0 t - \frac{\pi}{2}) + \frac{2}{3\pi} \cos(2\pi f_0 \cdot 3 \cdot t - \frac{\pi}{2}) + \frac{2}{5\pi} \cos(2\pi f_0 \cdot 5 \cdot t - \frac{\pi}{2})$



Ex. 3-10: The same as Ex. 3-9, but use first 100 harmonics. Just depict a plot of  $x(t)$ . You can observe so called Gibbs phenomenon, which occurs when there is some discontinuity in the signal.

Sol.:



Then we get Fourier transform  $\hat{F}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) \cdot e^{-j\omega t} dt$

- problematic for power signals, some  $\omega$  gives  $F(\omega) \rightarrow \infty$

From Fourier transform to Short time Fourier transform (STFT)

- we multiply the signal with window function (some impulse)  $w(t)$   
 - we obtain "picture" known as spectrogram (see below)

Continuous time:  $STFT(\tau, \omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) \cdot w(t - \tau) \cdot e^{-j\omega t} dt$

Window is shifting through all times

Discrete time:  $STFT[m, \omega] = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n] \cdot w[n - m] \cdot e^{-j\omega n}$

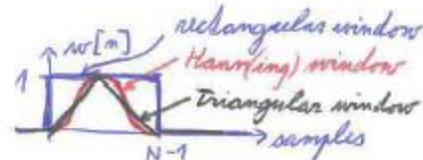
• Examples of window functions

1) Rectangular

$N \dots$  window width in samples

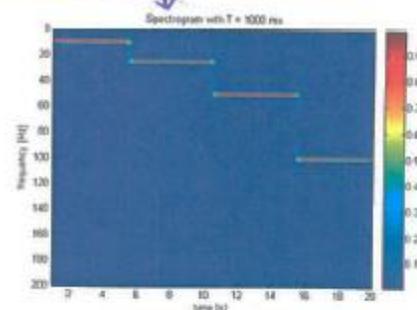
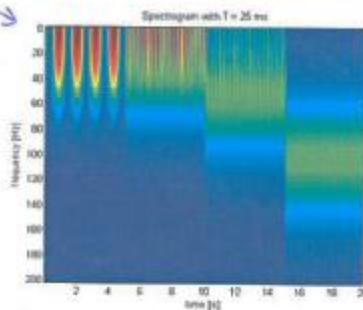
2) Triangular

3) Hanning window  $w[m] = 0.5 \cdot (1 - \cos \frac{2\pi m}{N-1})$



• Resolution issues

- short window  $\rightarrow$  good resolution of time, bad resolution of frequency  
 - long window  $\rightarrow$  bad resolution of time, good resolution of frequency



From Fourier series to Fourier transform

- within Fourier analysis we compute  $a_k = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_0^{T_0} x(t) \cdot e^{-j2\pi f_0 k t} dt = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_0^{T_0} x(t) \cdot e^{-jkw_0 t} dt = \frac{1}{2T_0} \int_{-T_0}^{T_0} x(t) \cdot e^{-jkw_0 t} dt$

How to obtain Fourier transform formula?

- let  $T_0 \rightarrow \infty$  (signal need not to be periodic)  
 - compute not  $a_k$ , but  $a_k \cdot 2 \cdot T_0$  (or simply don't consider  $\frac{1}{2T_0}$ )  
 - compute not for discrete radian frequencies  $kw_0$ , but for all  $\omega$ .

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# Vocabulary EN/CZ

Beat note	Zázněj
Carrier frequency	Nosná frekvence
Greatest common divisor (g.c.d.)	Největší společný dělitel
Center frequency	Střední frekvence
Frequency deviation	Odchylka frekvence
Integer	Celé číslo
Base band	Základní pásmo
Broad band	Přeložené pásmo
Channel spacing	Odstup kanálů
Even	Sudý
Odd	Lichý
Fourier series	Fourierova řada
Window function	Jádro(vá funkce), okno

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