

- some properties of periodic functions
- even/odd signals
- impulse signal
- step signal

} singularity functions

- Recall the periodic functions are those for which

$$f(t) = f(t + nT_0) \quad n \in \mathbb{Z} \quad T_0 \in \mathbb{R}$$

Some helpful properties

- if  $f(t)$  is periodic with period  $P$  and  $g$  is any function then  $g(f(t))$  is periodic with period  $P$ .

Example:  $f(t) = \sin(2\pi t) \quad P = 1$

$$g(x) = x^2$$

$\sin^2(2\pi t)$  is periodic with  $P = 1$ .

- if  $f(t)$  is periodic with period  $P$  and  $g(t)$  is periodic with period  $Q$

and if there exists positive integers  $a, b$  s.t.  $aP = bQ = R$

then  $f(t) + g(t)$  and  $f(t)g(t)$  are periodic with period  $R$ .

Example:  $f(t) = \sin(2\pi t) \quad P = 1$

$$g(t) = \cos(10\pi t + \frac{\pi}{4}) \quad Q = \frac{1}{5}$$

if  $a = 2 \quad b = 10$  then

$\sin(2\pi t)\cos(10\pi t + \frac{\pi}{4})$  is periodic with period  $R = 2$

- The last property implies that  $P$  and  $Q$  must both be rational in  $\pi$  or neither.

Example:  $f(t) = \sin(\frac{\pi}{2}t + 3) \quad f = \frac{\pi}{2} = \frac{1}{4}$

$$g(t) = \cos(5t)$$

$$P = \frac{1}{f} = 4$$

$$f = \frac{5}{2\pi} \quad Q = \frac{2\pi}{5}$$

there is no  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $a \cdot 4 = b \frac{2\pi}{5} = R$

## \* Even / ODD signals

- a signal is even if  $f(t) = f(-t) \forall t$   
e.g.  $\cos(t)$  is even  $\sin(t)$  is not
- a signal is odd if  $f(t) = -f(-t) \forall t$   
e.g.  $\sin(t)$  is odd  $\cos(t)$  is not.
- every signal can be written as a sum of even and odd signals

$$f(t) = f_e(t) + f_o(t) \quad \text{where}$$

$$f_e(t) = \frac{1}{2} [f(t) + f(-t)]$$

$$f_o(t) = \frac{1}{2} [f(t) - f(-t)]$$

Note:  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_e(t) dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) dt$

and  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_o(t) dt = 0$

This identity will come in handy, a few times this semester.

- Example: write  $x(t) = e^{-5t^2} (\sin(2\pi t) + \cos(2\pi t))$  as even/odd components,

$$x_e(t) = \frac{1}{2} [x(t) + x(-t)] = e^{-5t^2} \cos(2\pi t)$$

$$x_o(t) = \frac{1}{2} [x(t) - x(-t)] = e^{-5t^2} \sin(2\pi t)$$

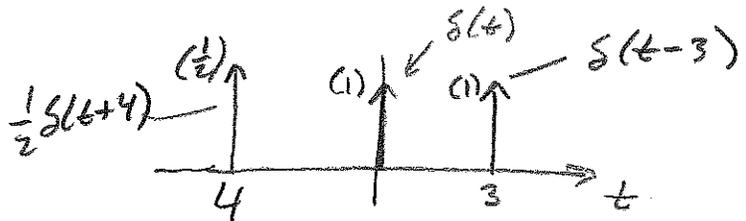
- The above example demonstrates some properties of even/odd signals.

- The product of two even signals is even
- The product of an even and an odd signal is odd
- The product of two odd signals is even

## \* Impulse Function

Another important signal is the Dirac Delta function aka the impulse function.

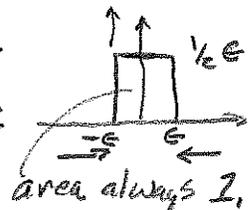
$$\delta(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t \neq 0 \\ \infty & t = 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{where} \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t) dt = 1$$



The impulse models a "kick" to the system.

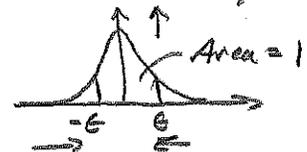
- Mathematically the impulse is not a function but a distribution. We can gain some appreciation of this by looking at some equivalent defs.

$$\delta(t) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{2\epsilon} \text{rect}\left(\frac{t}{2\epsilon}\right) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2\epsilon} & |t| \leq \epsilon \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

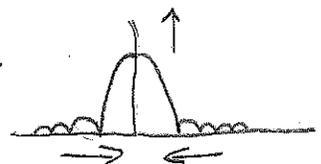


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$$\delta(t) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}\epsilon} e^{-\frac{t^2}{2\epsilon^2}} \quad \text{the Gaussian function}$$



$$\delta(t) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left[ \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\pi t}{\epsilon}\right)}{\frac{\pi t}{\epsilon}} \right]^2 \quad \text{the sinc}^2 \text{ function}$$



- Two useful properties of the impulse function:

• Sampling  $f(t) \delta(t) = f(0) \delta(t)$

• Sifting  $\int_a^b f(t) \delta(t) dt = f(0)$  for any  $a < 0 < b$

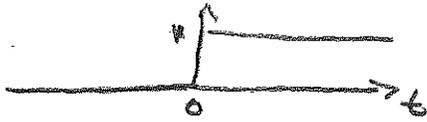
Q: would you consider  $\delta(t)$  even or odd?

## \* Unit Step or Heaviside Function.

We have already been using this function.

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

$$\text{or } u(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & t = 0 \text{ or undefined} \\ 1 & t > 0 \end{cases}$$



$u(t)$  models a switch



- The unit step can be defined in terms of the impulse and vice-versa

$$u(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t \delta(\tau) d\tau \quad \text{AND} \quad \delta(t) = \frac{du}{dt}$$

Using the notion of distributions.

E.g.  $\delta(t) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\epsilon} e^{-\frac{t^2}{2\epsilon^2}}$

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$$\begin{aligned} u(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^t \delta(\tau) d\tau = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{-\infty}^t \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\epsilon} e^{-\frac{\tau^2}{2\epsilon^2}} d\tau \\ &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{t}{\sqrt{2}\epsilon} \right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

- We can also use the unit step to define other signals.

e.g. RAMP  $r(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t u(\tau) d\tau = t u(t)$

e.g. Pulse  $p(t) = u(t) - u(t - \epsilon)$

a pulse of length  $\epsilon$

