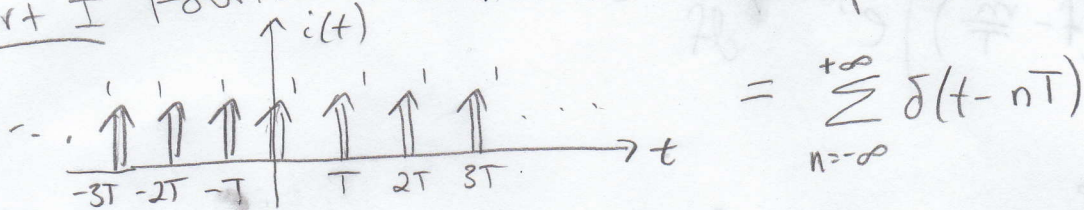


Today: Impulse Trains

- 1) Fourier Transform of an impulse train
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Part I Fourier Transform of an impulse train



what is the Fourier transform? (CTFT)

by definition

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t-nT) \right) e^{-j2\pi ft} dt = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t-nT) e^{-j2\pi ft} dt$$

$$= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-j2\pi fnT}$$

First, say  $f = \frac{m}{T}$ ,  $m$  is an integer (pos, or neg.)

$$\text{Then } I(f) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-j2\pi nm}$$

$$= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} 1 = 1 + 1 + 1 + \dots$$

$$I\left(\frac{m}{T}\right) = \infty!$$

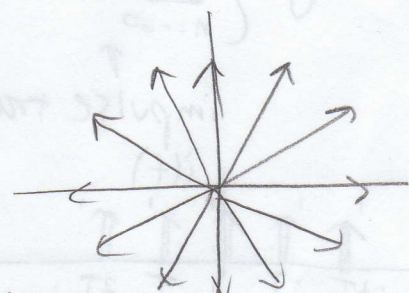
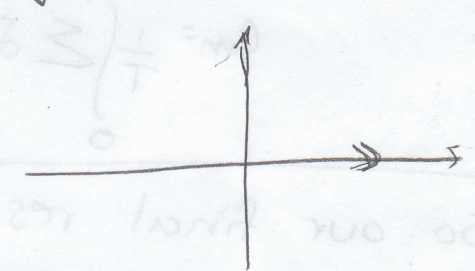
Now say  $f = \frac{m+\epsilon}{T}$ ,  $-1 < \epsilon < 1$

$$\text{Then } I(f) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-j2\pi \left(\frac{m+\epsilon}{T}\right) nT}$$

$$= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-j2\pi \epsilon n}$$

$$I\left(\frac{m+\epsilon}{T}\right) = 0$$

(pair every  $e^{-j2\pi \epsilon n}$  vector with its conjugate vector, 180° version and cancel it out.)

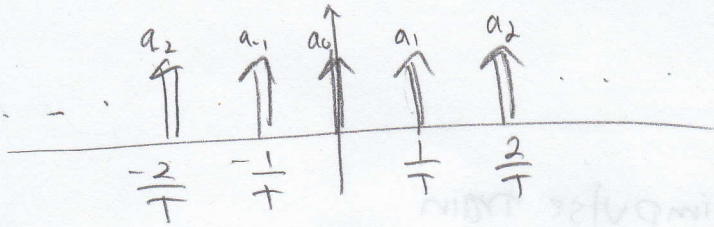


in rational (periodic cancellation)  
\* Note subtlety in rational vs. irrational



Therefore  $I(f)$  looks like

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But what is the area of each impulse?

We can figure it out from the synthesis integral! Assume they are all  $a_m$ :

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} a_m \delta\left(f - \frac{m}{T}\right) \right) e^{j2\pi ft} df$$

$$= \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} a_m \delta\left(f - \frac{m}{T}\right) e^{j2\pi ft} df$$

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - nT) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} a_m e^{j2\pi \frac{m}{T} t}$$

This looks like a Fourier series!

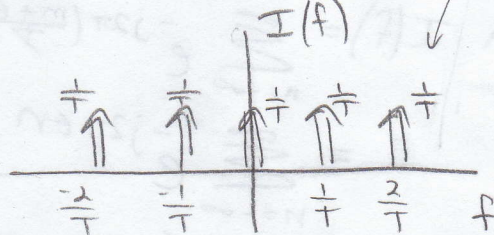
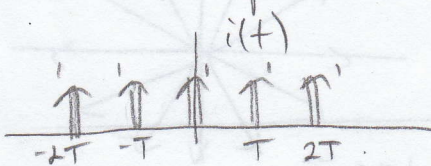
So, by the same technique that we used to get Fourier series coefficients

$$a_m = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \sum \delta(t - nT) dt = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta(t) dt = \frac{1}{T}, \forall m$$

So our final result is

$$\mathcal{F} \left\{ \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - nT) \right\} = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{T} \delta\left(f - \frac{n}{T}\right)$$

impulse train

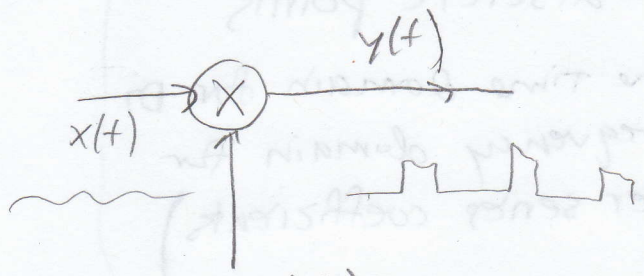


\* note:  $\frac{2\pi}{T}$  if axis is  $\omega$

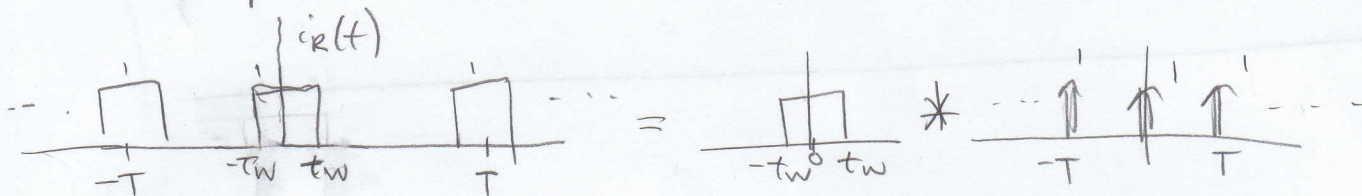
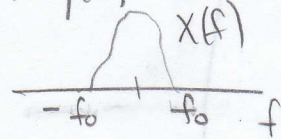


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# Part II : FT of a sampled CT signal

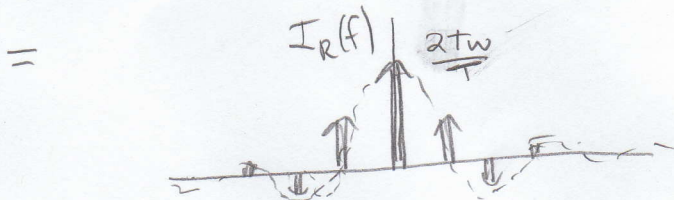


What is the spectrum of  $y(t)$  if  $x(f)$  is bandlimited

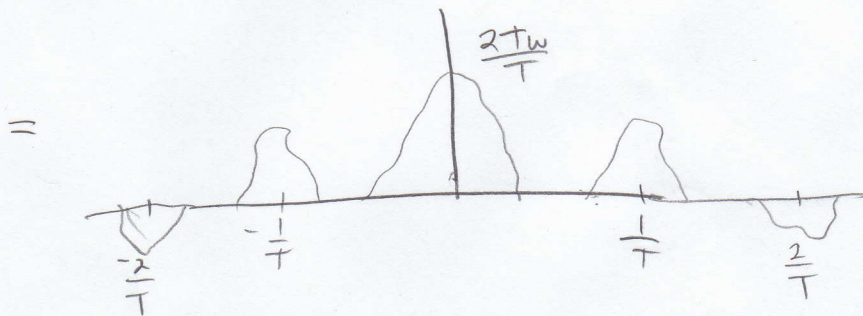
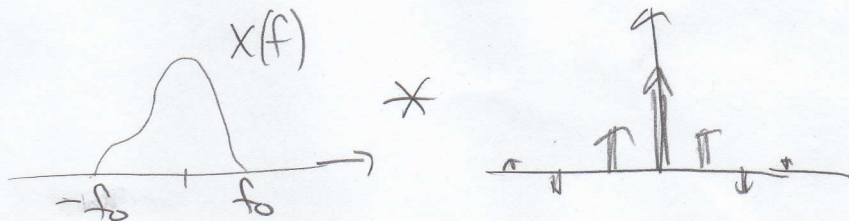


$$I_R(f) = \text{FT of } c_r(t) = \text{FT of } x(t) * \text{FT of } c_r(t)$$

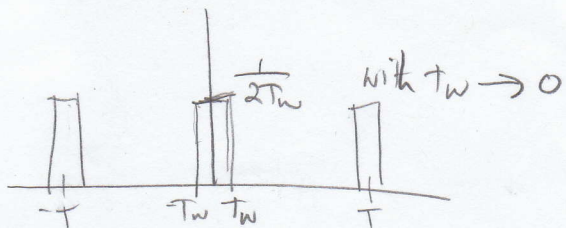
The diagram shows the Fourier transform of the sampling pulse train  $c_r(t)$ . It is represented as a series of impulses in the frequency domain, spaced by  $1/T$ . The height of each impulse is  $2\tau_w$ .



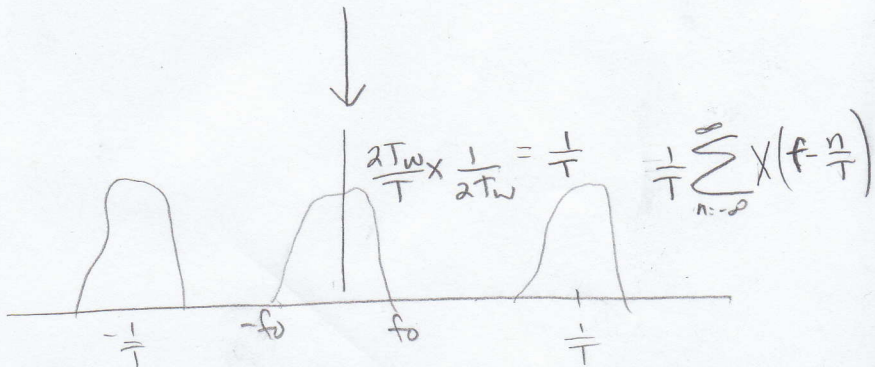
$$Y(f) = X(f) * I_R(f)$$



In the limit  $1/T \rightarrow 0$



& then  $c_r(t) = \delta(t)$  and we have an impulse train!





★ So Impulse areas = values at discrete points  
 (whether in the time domain for DT or in the frequency domain for CTFS (Fourier series coefficients))

