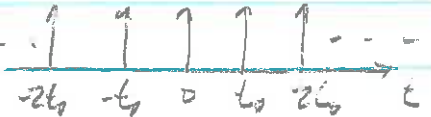


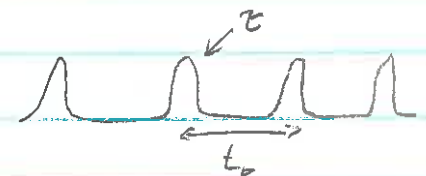
Array Theorem

comb function:

$$\text{comb}(t/t_0) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - nt_0)$$


applications:

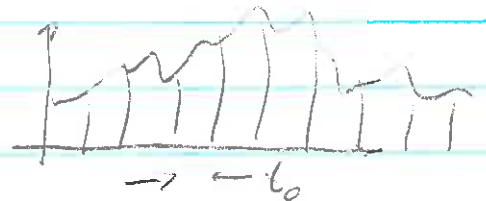
pulse train:

$$e^{-t^2/\tau^2} \otimes \text{comb}(t/t_0) \rightarrow$$


Sampling:

$$g(t) \cdot \text{comb}(t/t_0)$$

$t_0 =$ sampling period.



grating

$$[a(x) \otimes \text{comb}(x/x_0)] \cdot \text{rect}(x/D)$$

↑
groove shape

↑
periodicity

↑
 $D =$ grating length.

transform:

$$f(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - nt_0)$$

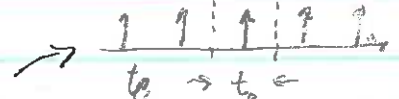
$$F(\omega) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}\{\delta(t - nt_0)\} = \sum_n e^{-i\omega t_0 n}$$

this is actually a comb function:

comb() is periodic, so write as Fourier series:

$$f(t) = \sum_n c_n e^{i2\pi n t/t_0}$$

$$\text{coeff: } c_n = \frac{1}{t_0} \int_{-t_0/2}^{t_0/2} f(t) e^{-i2\pi n t/t_0} dt$$



$$= \frac{1}{t_0} \int_{-t_0/2}^{t_0/2} \delta(t) e^{-i2\pi n t/t_0} dt$$

let limits $\rightarrow \pm \infty$

$$C_n = 1/t_0$$

\therefore we can write

$$\text{comb}(t/t_0) = \frac{1}{t_0} \sum_n e^{i 2\pi n t / t_0}$$

$$\mathcal{F} \left\{ \text{comb}(t/t_0) \right\} = \frac{1}{t_0} \sum_n \mathcal{F} \left\{ e^{i \frac{2\pi n}{t_0} t} \right\}$$

$$= \sum_n \frac{2\pi}{t_0} \delta(\omega + \frac{2\pi n}{t_0})$$

$$= \frac{2\pi}{t_0} \text{comb}(\omega / (2\pi/t_0))$$

frequency spacing $\Delta\omega = \frac{2\pi}{t_0} \rightarrow \Delta\nu = \frac{1}{t_0}$

in a laser resonator: $t_0 = T_{RT} = \frac{2L}{c}$ round trip time.

resonator



to have $E(0) = E(L) = 0$

$$\rightarrow E \propto \sin\left(\frac{m\pi}{L}x\right) \propto \left(e^{\frac{m\pi i}{L}x} - e^{-\frac{m\pi i}{L}x} \right) \quad k_m = \frac{m\pi}{L}$$

allowed frequencies $\omega_m = k_m c = \frac{m\pi c}{L}$ $\nu_m = m \cdot \frac{c}{2L} = \frac{m}{T_{RT}}$

T_{RT} = round trip time

if all allowed frequencies are present then

$$E(t) \propto \sum_m e^{-i\omega_m t} = \sum_m e^{-i \frac{2\pi m t}{T_{RT}}} \propto \sum_m \delta(t - n T_{RT})$$

$$\propto \text{comb}(t/T_{RT})$$

this represents a sequence of δ -function pulses separated by T_{RT}

spectrum $E(\omega) \propto \text{comb}(\omega/\Delta\omega)$ $\Delta\omega = 2\pi/T_{RT}$

= "frequency comb"

Mode-locked pulse train

Start in frequency space:

assume a Gaussian gain bandwidth $e^{-\omega - \omega_0)^2 / \Delta\omega_c^2}$
cavity \rightarrow comb $(\omega / \Delta\omega_c)$ (ideal)

$$\text{spectrum: } F(\omega) = \left(e^{-\omega - \omega_0)^2 / \Delta\omega_c^2} \right) \cdot \text{comb} \left(\frac{\omega}{\Delta\omega_c} \right) \\ = G(\omega) \cdot H(\omega)$$

in time domain:

$$f(t) = g(t) \otimes h(t)$$

$$g(t) = \mathcal{F}^{-1} \left\{ e^{-\omega - \omega_0)^2 / \Delta\omega_c^2} \right\} = e^{-i\omega_0 t} \mathcal{F}^{-1} \left\{ e^{-\omega^2 / \Delta\omega_c^2} \right\} \\ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi t_p^2}} e^{-i\omega_0 t} e^{-t^2 / t_p^2} \quad t_p = 2 / \Delta\omega_c$$

$$h(t) = \mathcal{F}^{-1} \left\{ \text{comb} \left(\frac{\omega}{\Delta\omega_c} \right) \right\}$$

$$\text{since } \mathcal{F}^{-1} \left\{ \text{comb} \left(\frac{\omega}{\Delta\omega_c} \right) \right\} = \left(\frac{2\pi}{t_0} \right) \text{comb} \left(\frac{t}{2\pi/t_0} \right)$$

$$\text{let } \Delta\omega_c = 2\pi/t_0 \quad \Delta\nu_c = 1/t_0 \quad t_0 = \text{roundtrip time.} \\ \rightarrow h(t) = \frac{1}{\Delta\omega_c} \text{comb} \left(\frac{t}{t_0} \right)$$

$$f(t) = g(t) \otimes h(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \frac{\Delta\omega_c}{\Delta\omega_c} \left(e^{-i\omega_0 t} e^{-t^2 / t_p^2} \otimes \text{comb} \left(\frac{t}{t_0} \right) \right)$$

Sampling + signal recovery

- ubiquitous: digitized signals, numerical analysis

sampled function

$$F_s(t) = f(t) \text{ comb}(t/t_s)$$

multiply, not

convolve:

$$= \sum_n f(t) \delta(t - n t_s)$$

spectrum: (use convolution theorem)

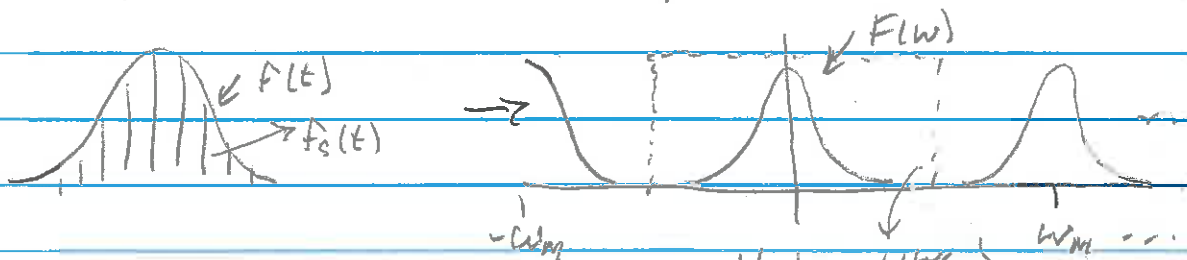
$$F_s(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} F(\omega) \otimes \frac{2\pi}{t_s} \text{ comb}(\omega/2\pi/t_s)$$

$$= \frac{1}{t_s} \sum_n F(\omega - n \frac{2\pi}{t_s})$$

$\hookrightarrow \omega_m = \text{max span of } \omega$

$F_s(\omega)$ is a continuous function

replicas of $F(\omega)$ spaced by ω_m



if there is no overlap in spectrum:

- low-pass filter, recover exact original $F(\omega) \rightarrow f(t)$
- input signal must be BW limited for no overlap, if full width of input spectrum is W
 \hookrightarrow edge to edge.

• sampling rate $\omega_m \geq W$ $t_s \leq \frac{2\pi}{W}$

or max freq. is $W/2 = \omega_{\text{max}} \rightarrow$ period $T_{\text{min}} = \frac{2\pi}{\omega_{\text{max}}}$

$$t_s \leq \frac{1}{2} T_{\text{min}} \quad \text{Nyquist limit}$$

note that many filters are characterized by their $\frac{1}{2}$ power width

\therefore higher frequencies get through.

\rightarrow "oversampling" is required to make sure $F(\omega) \rightarrow 0$ at boundaries.

signal recovery: use low-pass filter

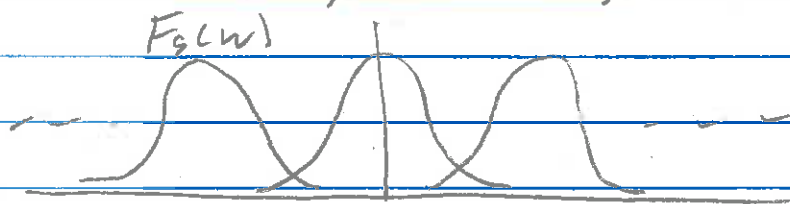
$$\begin{aligned} G(\omega) &= H(\omega) F_s(\omega) \\ &= \text{rect}\left[\frac{\omega}{\omega_s}\right] \cdot \frac{1}{T_s} \sum_n F(\omega - n\omega_s) \end{aligned}$$

alternatively,

$$\begin{aligned} g(t) &= h(t) \otimes f_s(t) \\ &= \frac{\omega_s}{2\pi} \text{sinc}\left(\frac{\omega_s t}{2}\right) \otimes f_s(t) \end{aligned}$$

so the sinc acts as the perfect interpolating function.

Undersampling \rightarrow aliasing



high ω wraps around \rightarrow looks like lower ω .

Limited sampling duration:

- clips input

$$f_s'(t) = f(t) \cdot \text{comb}\left(\frac{t}{T_s}\right) \cdot \text{rect}\left(\frac{t}{T}\right)$$

$$F_s'(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} F_s(\omega) \otimes T \text{sinc}\left(\frac{\omega T}{2}\right)$$

★ spectral resolution is smeared out by finite T