

Signals & Systems Formula Sheet by Haris H.

Geometric Series formulas

Interval	Sum	Condition	Interval	Sum	Condition
Infinite	$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a^k = \frac{1}{1-a}$	$ a < 1$	Finite on $[1, N]$	$\sum_{k=1}^N a^k = \frac{a(1-a^{N+1})}{1-a}$	None
Finite on $[0, N]$	$\sum_{k=0}^N a^k = \frac{1-a^{N+1}}{1-a}$	None	Finite on $[N_1, N_2]$	$\sum_{k=N_1}^{N_2} a^k = \frac{a^{N_1} - a^{N_2+1}}{1-a}$	None
Infinite	$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a^k = \frac{a}{1-a}$	$ a < 1$	Finite on $[1, N]$	$\sum_{k=1}^N k = \frac{N(N+1)}{2}$	None

Elementary Signals classification

Name	Continuous	Discrete	Name	Continuous	Discrete
Unit Step function	$u(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & t \geq 0 \\ 0, & t < 0 \end{cases}$	$u[n] = \begin{cases} 1, & n \geq 0 \\ 0, & n < 0 \end{cases}$	Signum signal	$Sgn(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & t > 0 \\ -1, & t < 0 \end{cases}$	$Sgn[n] = \begin{cases} 1, & n > 0 \\ -1, & n < 0 \end{cases}$
Ramp signal	$r(t) = \begin{cases} t, & t \geq 0 \\ 0, & t < 0 \end{cases}$	$r[n] = nu[n] = \begin{cases} n, & n \geq 0 \\ 0, & n < 0 \end{cases}$	Sinusoidal signal	$x(t) = \sin(2\pi f_0 t + \theta)$	$X[n] = \sin(2\pi f_0 n + \theta)$
Impulse function	$\delta(t) = 0, t \neq 0$	$\delta[n] = \begin{cases} 1, & n = 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$	Sinc function	$\text{sinc}(\omega_0 t) = \frac{\sin(\pi \omega_0 t)}{\pi \omega_0 t}$	$\text{sinc}[\omega_0 n] = \frac{\sin(\pi \omega_0 n)}{\pi \omega_0 n}$
Rectangular pulse function	$\Pi\left(\frac{t}{\tau}\right) = \begin{cases} 1, & t \leq \tau/2 \\ 0, & t > \tau/2 \end{cases}$	$\Pi\left[\frac{n}{2N}\right] = \begin{cases} 1, & n \leq N \\ 0, & n > N \end{cases}$	Triangular pulse	$\Lambda\left(\frac{t}{\tau}\right) = \begin{cases} 1 - t /\tau, & t \leq \tau \\ 0, & t > \tau \end{cases}$	$\Lambda\left[\frac{n}{N}\right] = \begin{cases} 1 - n /N, & n \leq N \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$

Important Properties of Signals

Name	Properties	Name	Properties
Signals in term of unit step and vice versa	$r(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t u(\tau) d\tau$ $u(t) = \frac{d}{dt} r(t)$ $\delta(t) = \frac{d}{dt} u(t)$ $u(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t \delta(\tau) d\tau$ $sgn = u(t) - u(-t)$ $sgn = 2u(t) - 1$ $\Pi\left(\frac{t}{\tau}\right) = u\left(t + \frac{\tau}{2}\right) - u\left(t - \frac{\tau}{2}\right)$	Impulse properties	$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t) dt = 1$ $\delta(at) = \frac{1}{ a } \delta(t)$ $\delta(at + b) = \frac{1}{ a } \delta\left(t + \frac{b}{a}\right)$ $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi(t) \delta(t - \lambda) dt = \phi(\lambda)$ $\phi(t) \delta(t - \lambda) = \phi(\lambda) \delta(t - \lambda)$
Time period of linear combination of two signals	Sum of signals is periodic if $\frac{T_1}{T_2} = \frac{m}{n} = \text{rational number}$ The fundamental period of $g(t)$ is given by $nT_1 = mT_2$ provided that the values of m and n are chosen such that the greatest common divisor (gcd) between m and n is 1	Odd and even & symmetry	$x_e(t) = x_e(-t)$ $x_o(t) = -x_o(-t)$ $x(t) = x_e(t) + x_o(t)$ $x_e(t) = \frac{1}{2} [x(t) + x(-t)]$ $x_o(t) = \frac{1}{2} [x(t) - x(-t)]$
Combined operation	$x(t) \Rightarrow Kx(t) + C$ Scale by K then shift by C $x(t) \Rightarrow x(\alpha t - \beta)$ Shift by β : $[x(t - \beta)]$ Then Compress by α : $[x(t - \beta) \Rightarrow x(\alpha t - \beta)]$ OR Compress by α : $[x(t) \Rightarrow x(\alpha t)]$ then Shift by $\frac{\beta}{\alpha}$: $[x(\alpha t) \Rightarrow x(\alpha(t - \frac{\beta}{\alpha})) = x(\alpha t - \beta)]$	Derivative of impulse (doublet)	$\frac{d}{dt} \delta(t) = \delta'(t) = \begin{cases} \text{undefined}, & t = 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ $\delta'(at) = \frac{1}{ a } \delta'(t)$ $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) \delta'(t - \lambda) dt = -x'(\lambda)$ $x(t) \delta'(t) = x(0) \delta'(t) - x'(0) \delta(t)$
Energy and power	Periodic signals have infinite energy hence power type signals.		