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TITLE OF PAPER: SIGNALS I

COURSE CODE: E342

TIME ALLOWED: THREE HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. There are five questions in this paper. Answer any FOUR questions.
Each question carries 25 marks.**
- 2. If you think not enough data has been given in any question you may
assume any reasonable values.**

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QUESTION 1

- A) Explain clearly the difference between
- Continuous-time and discrete-time signals.
 - Periodic and non periodic signals
 - Energy and power signals
 - Deterministic and random signals
- (8 marks)**
- B) i) State under what conditions will the replacement of a continuous signal with a discrete signal be adequate?
- ii) What is a delta function? List the main properties of the delta function
- iii) By using a property of the delta function $\delta(t)$, evaluate the integral
- $$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_1(t) \times f_2(t) dt, \text{ where } f_1(t) = 2 \sin(200\pi t) \text{ and } f_2(t) = \delta(t - 0.25 \times 10^{-3})$$
- (7 marks)**
- C) (i) Define the unit-sample sequence $\delta[n]$ and show that it can be used to express any sequence as the sum of scaled and delayed unit-sample sequences.
- (ii) Express the sequence given by $x[n] = 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, \dots$ in terms of the unit-sample sequence
- (5 marks)**
- D) Find
- the total energy associated with the exponentially decaying pulse
- $$v(t) = \begin{cases} Ve^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} & \text{for } t \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{for } t < 0 \end{cases}$$
- the average power associated with the sinusoidal signal $v(t) = V \cos 2\omega t$
- (5 marks)**

QUESTION 2

The equations for a number of signals are given below. Determine if they are

a) Periodic or non periodic signals and Energy or power signals

i) $x(t) = 20 \cdot e^{-2t} \cos 100t$;

ii) $x(t) = 20 \cdot \cos 2t + 10 \sin 3\pi t$

iii) $x(t) = 30 \cdot \cos 4\pi t [u(t) - u(t-1)]$;

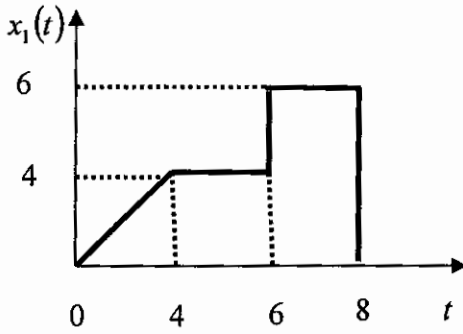
iv) $x(t) = 4 \cdot \cos 4\pi t + 6 \sin 5\pi t$

v) $x(t) = 10 \cdot e^{3t} u(t)$;

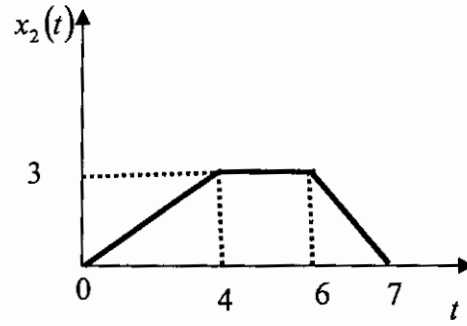
vi) $x(t) = (4 \cdot \cos 4\pi t + 6 \sin 5\pi t) \cdot u(t)$

(12 marks)

b) Express each of the signals shown in **figure 1** a) and b) below in terms of singularity functions. (5 marks)



a



b

Figure 1

c) Give the mathematical model for the signal represented in **figure 2**

(4 marks)

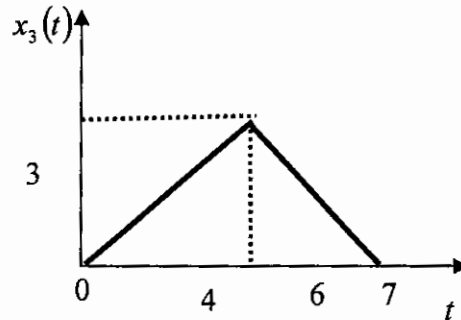


Figure 2

d) Consider a rectangular pulse signal of height A and duration T centered at a point in time $t = t_0 > T$. Sketch the signal waveform in the time domain and obtain an analytic representation in terms of the $rect(\)$ function. (4 marks)

QUESTION 3

- a) i) Define the terms signal sampling and sampling period (4 marks)
ii) State the sampling theorem and explain the term aliasing error. (4 marks)

b)

- i) If a sinusoidal of frequency f_0 is sampled at the instants $t = nT$, $n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$

the sample sequence can be written as $x[n] = \sin(2\pi f_0 nT) = \sin\left(2\pi \cdot \frac{f_0}{f_s} n\right)$. Show that

if $x[n]$ is to be strictly periodic with integer period N then $\frac{f_0}{f_s} = \frac{k}{N}$, where k is an

integer.

(5 marks)

- ii) A low pass filter signal $x(t)$ with a bandwidth of 50 Hz is sampled at the Nyquist rate and the resulting sampled values are

$$x(nT_s) = \begin{cases} -1, & -4 \leq n < 0 \\ 1, & 0 < n \leq 4 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

1. Find $x(0.005)$

2. Is this signal power-type or energy-type? Find its power or energy content.

(5marks)

- iii) Can a signal be both Power-type and energy-type? Explain your answer.

(2marks)

- iv) Samples are to be taken from a record of a continuous-time signal of duration 100 ms. The signal contains sinusoidal components with frequencies up to 250 Hz. Determine the minimum number of samples that would be sufficient to give a complete representation of the signal. (5 marks)

QUESTION 4

- a) The peak to average power ratio (PAR) of a given signal $r(t)$ is defined as the ratio of the peak power of $r(t)$ to its average power: $PAR = 10 \log_{10} \left(\frac{P_{peak}}{P_{avg}} \right)$.

Find the PAR for a single tone signal $r(t) = A \cos(2\pi F_c t)$.

(7 marks)

- b) Consider the signal $r(t) = A \cos(2\pi F_1 t) + B \cos(2\pi F_2 t)$. Let the tones be harmonically related, that is $F_2 = MF_1$.

Find the

- i) Peak power of $r(t)$.
- ii) Average power of $r(t)$.
- iii) PAR .

(12 marks)

- c)
 - i) What will be the value of PAR when the powers of the two tones in b) are equal?
 - ii) What will be the value of PAR in the case of N tones with equal powers

(6 marks)

QUESTION 5

a) Define the following:

- i) Pulse duration
- ii) Pulse repetition frequency (p.r.f)

(4 marks)

b) A pulse waveform is presented in **figure 3** below:

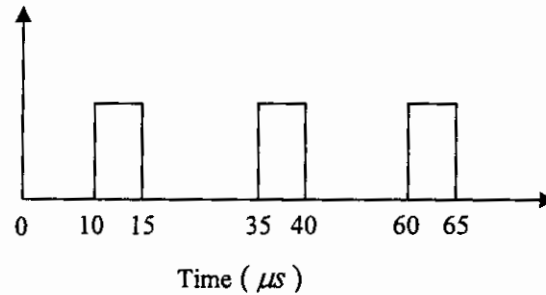


Figure 3

- i) Describe the pulse waveform in figure 3.
- ii) Without drawing the spectrum of the waveform, determine the lopes spacing
- iii) Without drawing the spectrum of the waveform, determine the spectral lines spacing
- iv) Calculate the number of spectral lines in each lobe.
- v) Sketch the spectrum of the waveform

(9 marks)

c) Two voltage signals are modeled as the sinusoids $v_1(t) = 5 \cos(3t + 0.5)$ and $v_2(t) = 3 + \cos 2t + 3 \sin(4t + \pi/4)$

- i) Express the signals $v_1(t)$ and $v_2(t)$ in terms of exponential frequency components

(8 marks)

- ii) Sketch the frequency domain representation of the signal $v_1(t)$

(4 marks)