

# EE 484

## Homework 3 Solutions

**Problem 1.** Compute the Fourier transform of the following

$$x(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & -1/2 \leq t \leq 1/2, \\ 0, & \textit{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

and sketch a plot of its magnitude in the frequency domain.

**Solution:**

$$X(f) = \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} e^{-j\pi ft} dt$$

which becomes

$$X(f) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin \pi f}{\pi f}, & f \neq 0, \\ 1, & f = 0. \end{cases}$$

This is a sinc function centered at  $f = 0$ .

**Problem 2.** Suppose  $f = 1000$  Hz. Compute the Fourier transform of the following

$$x(t) = \begin{cases} \cos(2\pi ft), & -1/2 \leq t \leq 1/2, \\ 0, & \textit{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

and sketch a plot of its magnitude in the frequency domain.

**Solution:** Using the result in Problem 1 and a Fourier transform property we can write immediately

$$X(f) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin \pi(f - f_c)}{2\pi(f - f_c)} + \frac{\sin \pi(f + f_c)}{2\pi(f + f_c)}, & f \neq \pm f_c, \\ 1, & f = \pm f_c. \end{cases}$$

These are scaled sinc functions centered at  $f = f_c$  and  $f = -f_c$ .

**Problem 3.** Suppose now using Matlab that you sample  $x(t)$  in Problem 2 with a sampling rate of  $f_s$  Hz corresponding to a sample period of  $T_s$  sec where  $T_s = 1/f_s$ . Plot the DFT (discrete Fourier transform) using Matlab when

a.  $f_s = 2000$  Hz.

b.  $f_s = 2500$  Hz.

c.  $f_s = 4000$  Hz.

d.  $f_s = 4777$  Hz.

**Solution:** Plots are shown below.

















