

# Recall Fourier Series

PHYS 331

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- Can represent any periodic fcn as an infinite series of trig. funcs.

$$f(t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [a_n \cos(n\omega t) + b_n \sin(n\omega t)]$$

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} \quad T \text{ is period of } f(t)$$

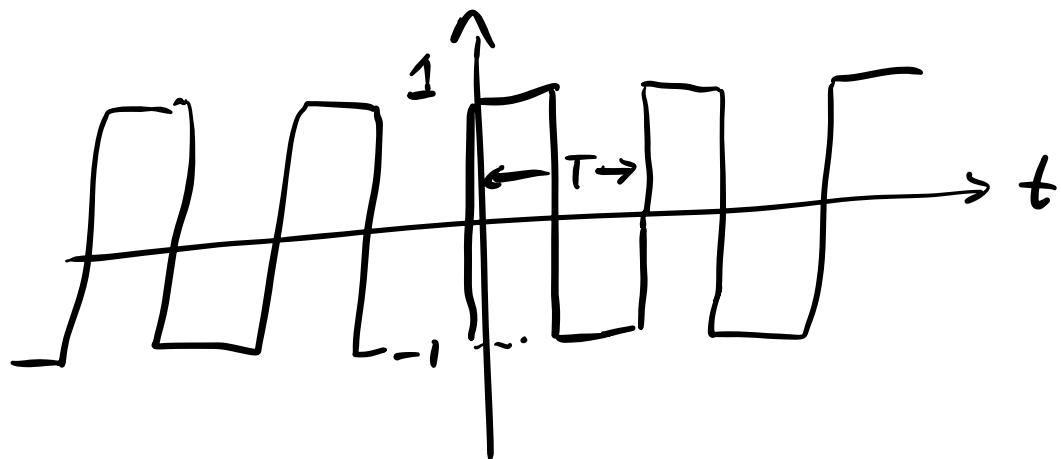
The coefficients are given by:

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} f(t) dt$$

$$a_n = \frac{2}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} f(t) \cos(n\omega t) dt$$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} f(t) \sin(n\omega t) dt$$

For Sq. Wave .  $f(t)$



$$a_n = 0 \quad \forall$$

$$b_n = 0 \quad \forall n \text{ even}$$

$$b_1 = \frac{4}{\pi} \quad b_3 = \frac{4}{3\pi} \quad b_5 = \frac{4}{5\pi} \quad \dots$$

$$f(t) = \frac{4}{\pi} \left[ \sin \omega t + \frac{1}{3} \sin 3\omega t + \frac{1}{5} \sin 5\omega t + \dots \right]$$

Postulate that we can also express Fourier series in terms of complex exponentials.

$$\left( e^{\pm j n \omega t} = \cos n \omega t \pm j \sin n \omega t \right)$$

$$f(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{jn\omega t}$$

If this is true,  
need to find  
 $c_n$  coefficients.

$$= c_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n e^{jn\omega t} + \sum_{n=-\infty}^{-1} c_n e^{jn\omega t}$$

$\brace{c_n e^{jn\omega t}}$   
 $n \rightarrow -n$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_{-n} e^{-jn\omega t}$$

$$= c_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \underbrace{c_n e^{jn\omega t}}_{\text{use Euler's Eq'n.}} + \underbrace{c_{-n} e^{-jn\omega t}}_{\text{use Euler's Eq'n.}} \right)$$

$$f(t) = c_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ c_n \left( \underbrace{\cos n\omega t}_{\text{use Euler's Eq'n.}} + j \underbrace{\sin n\omega t}_{\text{use Euler's Eq'n.}} \right) + c_{-n} \left( \underbrace{\cos n\omega t}_{\text{use Euler's Eq'n.}} - j \underbrace{\sin n\omega t}_{\text{use Euler's Eq'n.}} \right) \right]$$

$$= \underline{c_0} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \underbrace{(c_n + c_{-n})}_{\text{use Euler's Eq'n.}} \cos n\omega t + j \underbrace{(c_n - c_{-n})}_{\text{use Euler's Eq'n.}} \sin n\omega t \right]$$

In the same form as

$$f(t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [a_n \cos n\omega t + b_n \sin n\omega t]$$

$$c_0 = \frac{a_0}{2}$$

$$c_n + c_{-n} = a_n \quad j(c_n - c_{-n}) = b_n$$

$$\Rightarrow c_n = \frac{a_n - j b_n}{2}$$

$$c_{-n} = \frac{a_n + j b_n}{2}$$

$$\therefore c_n = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} f(t) \left[ \underbrace{\cos n\omega t - j \sin n\omega t}_{e^{-jn\omega t}} \right] dt$$

$$\therefore c_n = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} f(t) e^{-jn\omega t} dt$$

Valid for  $n$ , including  $n=0$ .

For square wave, the exponential form of the Fourier series is:

$$c_n = \frac{\cancel{a_n} - \cancel{j b_n}}{2} = \frac{b_n}{2j}$$

$$c_{-n} = \frac{\cancel{a_n} + \cancel{j b_n}}{2} = \frac{j b_n}{2} = -\frac{b_n}{2j} = -c_n$$

$$c_{\pm 1} = \pm \frac{4}{\pi} \frac{1}{2j} = \pm \frac{2}{j\pi}$$

$$c_{\pm 3} = \pm \frac{4}{\pi} \frac{1}{3} \frac{1}{2j} = \pm \frac{2}{3j\pi}$$

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$$f(t) = \frac{2}{j\pi} \left[ \dots - \frac{1}{5} e^{-j5\omega t} - \frac{1}{3} e^{-j3\omega t} - e^{-j\omega t} + e^{j\omega t} + \frac{1}{3} e^{j3\omega t} + \frac{1}{5} e^{j5\omega t} + \dots \right]$$

$2j \sin 5\omega t$



$2j \sin 3\omega t$



$$= \frac{2}{j\pi} \left[ \dots + \frac{1}{5} (e^{j5wt} - e^{-j5wt}) + \frac{1}{3} (e^{j3wt} - e^{-j3wt}) \right. \\ \left. + \underbrace{(e^{jwt} - e^{-jwt})}_{2j \sin wt} \right]$$

$$= \frac{4}{\pi} \left[ \sin wt + \frac{1}{3} \sin 3wt + \frac{1}{5} \sin 5wt + \dots \right]$$

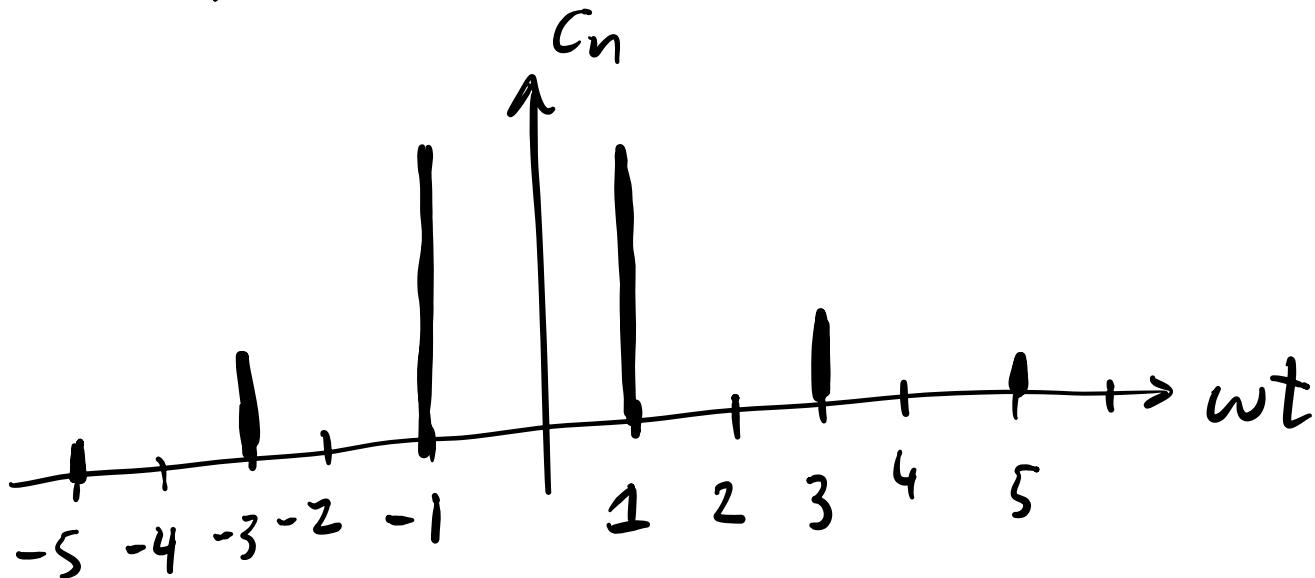
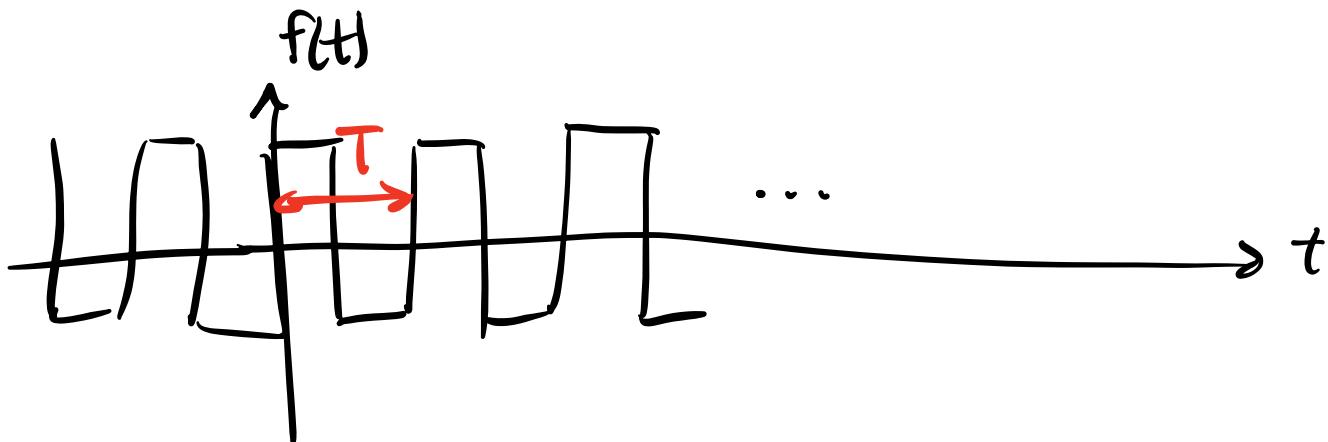
Same as before!

Summary: Fourier series for periodic  
fns in terms of complex  
exponentials.

$$f(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{jnwt}$$

$$c_n = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} f(t) e^{-jnwt} dt$$

For Sq. Wave:



Nonzero freq. ;  $\frac{2\pi}{T}$ ,  $\frac{2\pi \cdot 3}{T}$ ,  $\frac{2\pi \cdot 5}{T}$ , ...

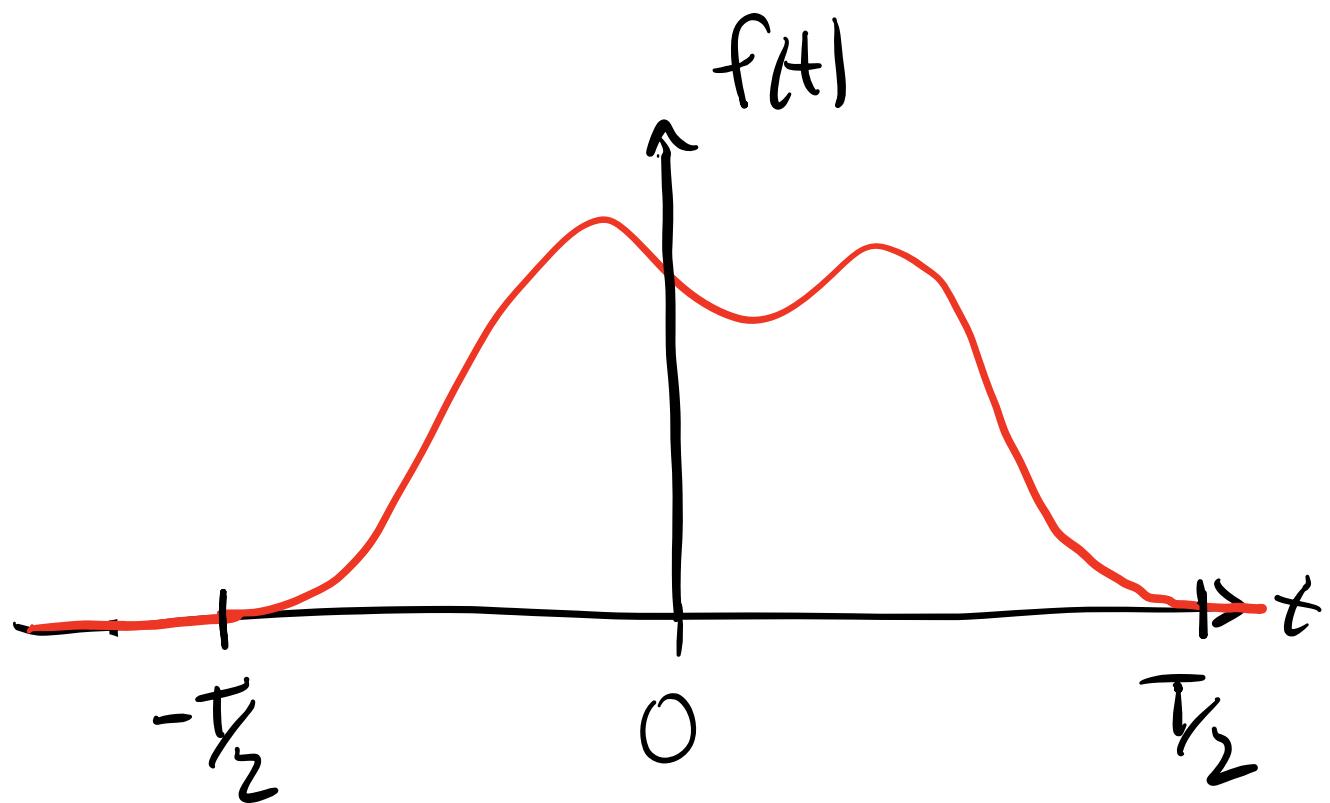
Observations:

- Periodic funcns are made up of discrete freq. components.
- Spacing between nonzero freq. components decreases as  $T$  increases.

In limit that  $T \rightarrow \infty$ , expect continuous range of nonzero freq. components.

Want to generalize the Fourier series so that we can examine freq. content of some signal at time (pulse)  $f(t)$  that is not periodic.

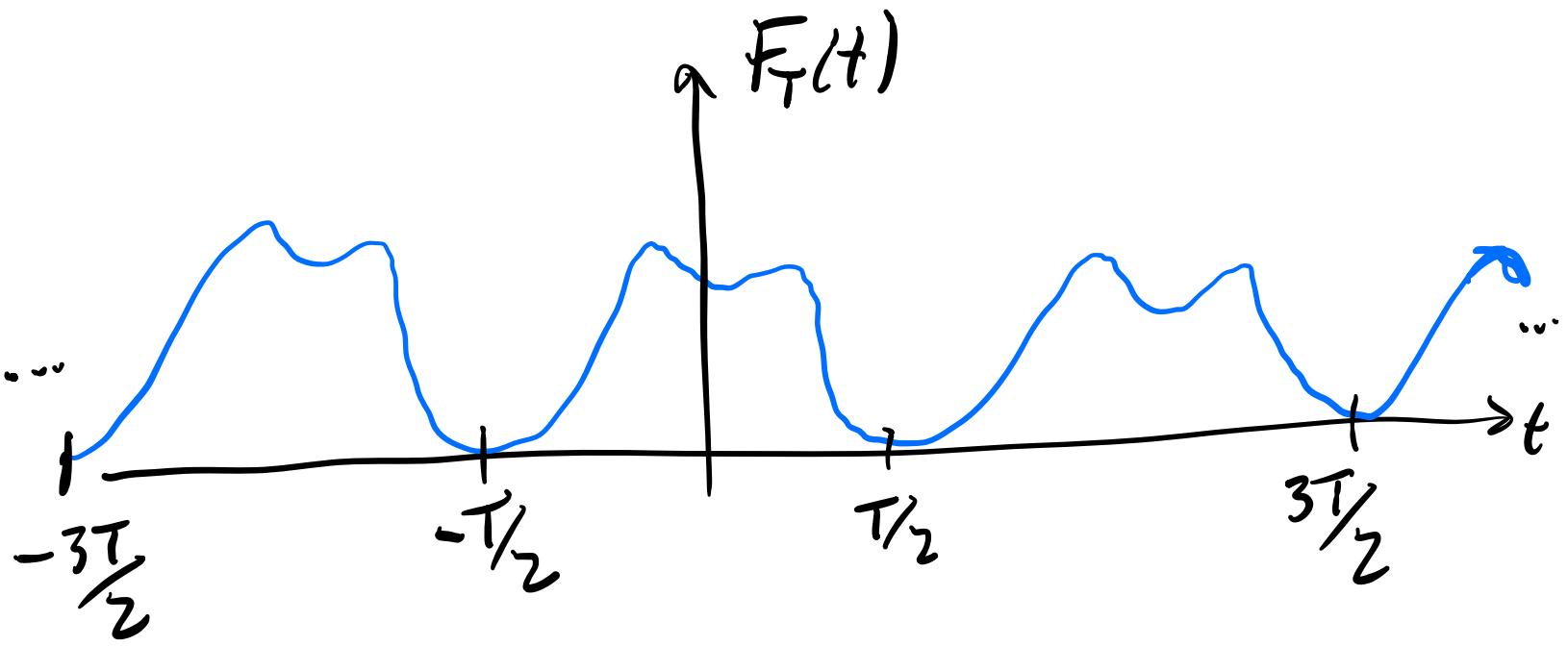
$$\text{Eg. } f(t) = 0 \quad \forall |t| > \frac{T}{2}$$



Now, let's construct a periodic fn  $F_T(t)$  using  $f(t)$ .

Require  $F_T(t) = f(t)$  on  $-\frac{T}{2} < t < \frac{T}{2}$

and  $F_T(t)$  is periodic w/ period  $T$ .



Then, for  $-T/2 < t < T/2$

\*  $f(t) = \bar{F}_T(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{jn \frac{2\pi}{T} t}$   $(\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T})$

can be expressed as Fourier series

$$c_n = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} F_T(t) e^{-jn \frac{2\pi}{T} t} dt$$

Step 1: Replace  $F_T(t)$  w/  $f(t)$  in  $C_n$  integral (valid b/c integral on  $-T/2 < t < T/2$ )

$$\therefore C_n = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} f(t) e^{-jn\frac{2\pi}{T}t} dt$$

Step 2: Change limits of integration from  $-T/2$  to  $T/2$  to  $-\infty$  to  $\infty$ .

(Valid since  $f(t) = 0$  outside  $-T/2 < t < T/2$ ).

$$C_n = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{-jn\frac{2\pi}{T}t} dt$$

*$\omega_n$*

$$n^{\text{th}} \text{ freq. component } \omega_n = \frac{2\pi n}{T}$$

The spacing between adjacent freq. components is

$$\omega_{n+1} - \omega_n \approx \Delta\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T}$$

$\therefore$  can express  $\frac{1}{T}$  in front of integral as

$$\frac{\Delta\omega}{2\pi}.$$

$$C_n = \frac{\Delta\omega}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{-j\omega_n t} dt$$

$\hat{f}(\omega_n)$  !

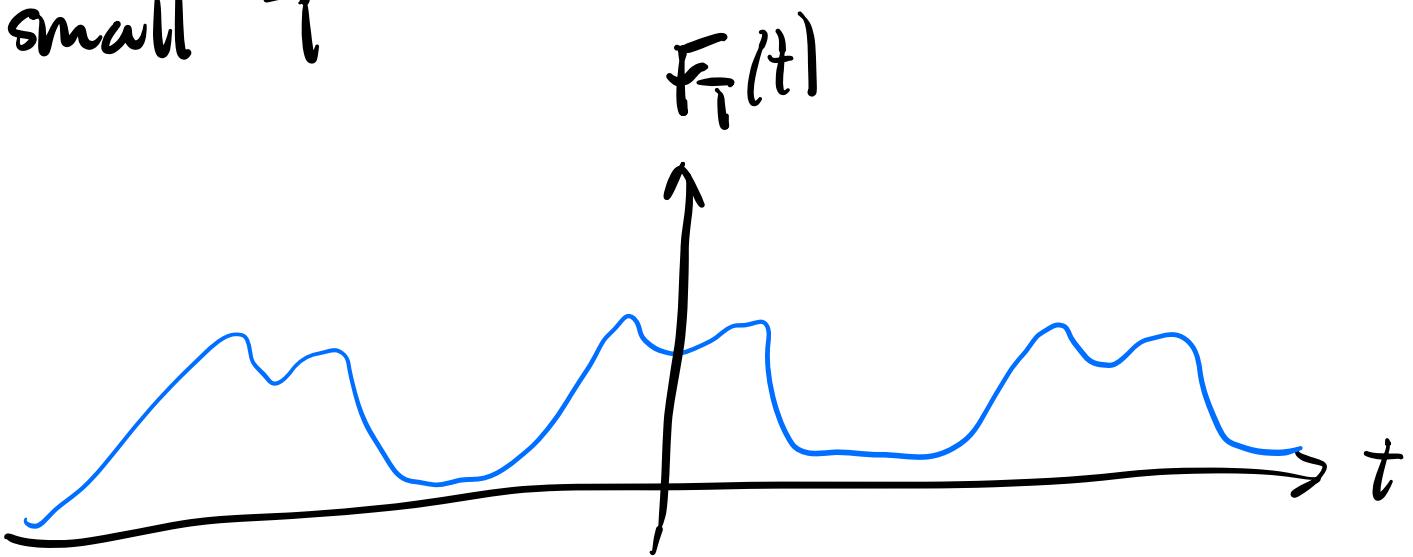
$$\therefore C_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \hat{f}(\omega_n) \Delta\omega$$

Return to  $\textcircled{*}$ :

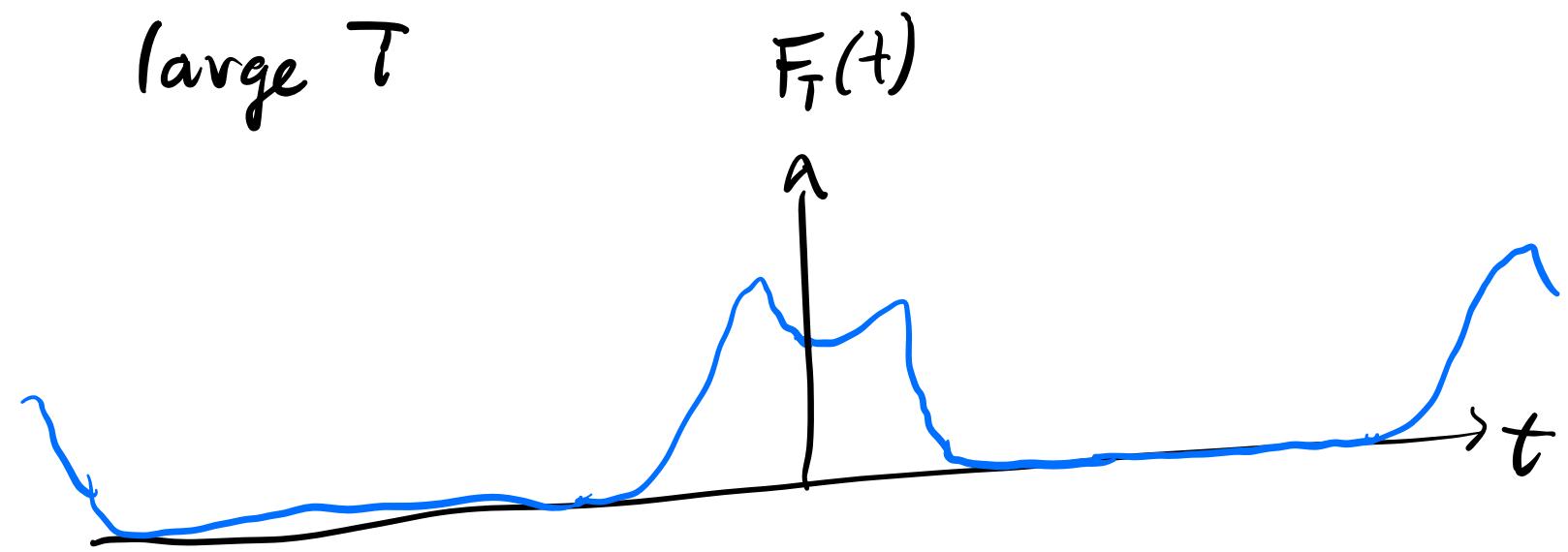
On  $-T/2 < t < T/2$  we have

#  $f(t) = F_T(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(\omega_n) e^{j\omega_n t} \Delta\omega$

small  $T$



large  $T$



In limit  $T \rightarrow \infty$ , # becomes:

$$f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(\omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega$$

Inverse Fourier transform of  $\hat{f}(\omega)$ .

Takes a fcn of freq.  $\hat{f}(w)$  and transforms it to a fcn of time  $f(t)$ .

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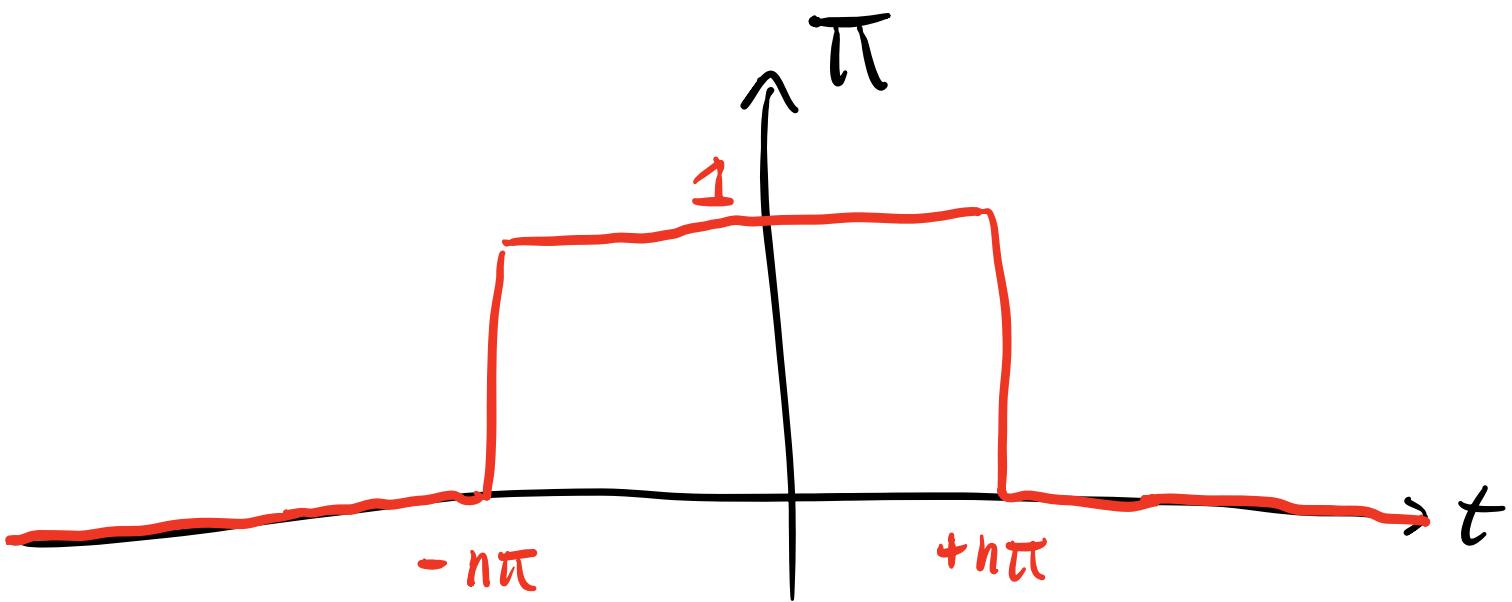
$$\hat{f}(w) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt$$

Fourier transform of  $f(t)$ .

Takes a fcn of time  $f(t)$  and transforms it to fcn of freq.  $\hat{f}(w)$ .

### Fourier Transform Example.

Box fcn  $\Pi$



$$\pi(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & -n\pi < t < n\pi \\ 1/2 & t = \pm n\pi \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{\pi}(\omega) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \pi(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt \\
 &= \int_{-n\pi}^{n\pi} 1 \cdot e^{-j\omega t} dt \\
 &= -\frac{1}{j\omega} e^{-j\omega t} \Big|_{-n\pi}^{n\pi} \\
 &= -\frac{1}{j\omega} \left[ e^{-jn\omega\pi} - e^{jn\omega\pi} \right] \\
 &= \frac{2}{\omega} \left[ e^{jn\omega\pi} - e^{-jn\omega\pi} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\sin(n\pi w)$$

$$\therefore \hat{\pi}(w) = 2 \frac{\sin n\pi w}{n\pi w} n\pi$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{1cm}}$   
 $\operatorname{sinc}(nw)$

$$\therefore \hat{\pi}(w) = 2n\pi \operatorname{sinc}(nw)$$