EECS20n, Quiz 8 Solution

Let the continuous-time signal c given by

$$\forall t \in Reals, \quad c(t) = 2\cos(\omega_c t)$$

be a carrier wave for a radio signal. Let x given by

 $\forall t \in Reals, \quad x(t) = 2\cos(\omega_x t)$

be the signal to be carried by that radio signal (that it, it is a highly simplified stand-in for, say, a voice signal). To be concrete, let $\omega_c = 2\pi \cdot 8000$ radians/second, and $\omega_x = 2\pi \cdot 400$ radians/second.

1. Find and sketch the CTFT Y of y where

$$\forall t \in Reals, \quad y(t) = c(t)x(t).$$

Label your sketch carefully. Hint: The CTFT of $e^{i\omega_0 t}$ is $2\pi\delta(\omega-\omega_0)$.

Answer Using $2\cos(\omega t) = e^{i\omega t} + e^{-i\omega t}$,

$$y(t) = [e^{i\omega_c t} + e^{-i\omega_c t}][e^{i\omega_x t} + e^{-i\omega_x t}]$$

= $e^{i(\omega_c + \omega_x)t} + e^{i(\omega_c - \omega_x)t} + e^{i(-\omega_c + \omega_x)t} + e^{i(-\omega_c - \omega_x)t}.$

Using the Hint and the fact that the CTFT is linear, we have

$$\forall \omega, Y(\omega) = 2\pi [\delta(\omega - (\omega_c + \omega_x)) + \delta(\omega - (\omega_c - \omega_x)) \\ + \delta(\omega - (-\omega_c + \omega_x)) + \delta(\omega - (-\omega_c - \omega_x))]$$



2. Let y from part 1 be the input to an LTI system with frequency response H where

$$\forall \, \omega \in \text{Reals}, \quad H(\omega) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \omega \leq 0\\ 1 & \text{if } \omega > 0 \end{cases}$$

Find the output u as a function of t.

Answer Since

$$\begin{aligned} \forall \omega, U(\omega) &= H(\omega)Y(\omega) \\ &= 2\pi [\delta(\omega - (\omega_c + \omega_x)) + \delta(\omega - (\omega_c - \omega_x))], \\ \forall t, u(t) &= e^{i(\omega_c + \omega + x)t} + e^{i(\omega_c - \omega_x)t}. \end{aligned}$$