

Quiz 1

MST 306

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- Find the Fourier transform of the triangular pulse:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} h(1 - a|x|), & |x| < \frac{1}{a}, \\ 0, & |x| > \frac{1}{a}, \end{cases}$$

where $h, a > 0$ are constants.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{F}[f](\alpha) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-i\alpha x} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\frac{1}{a}} h(1 - \alpha x) \cos(\alpha x) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\frac{1}{a}} h \cos(\alpha x) - \frac{h\alpha}{\pi} \int_0^{\frac{1}{a}} x \cos(\alpha x) dx \\ &= \frac{h}{\alpha\pi} \sin\left(\frac{\alpha}{a}\right) - \frac{h\alpha}{\pi} \left[\frac{x \sin(\alpha x)}{\alpha} \Big|_0^{\frac{1}{a}} - \int_0^{\frac{1}{a}} \frac{\sin(\alpha x)}{\alpha} dx \right] \\ &= \frac{h}{\alpha\pi} \sin\left(\frac{\alpha}{a}\right) - \frac{h}{\pi\alpha} \sin\left(\frac{\alpha}{a}\right) + \frac{h\alpha}{\pi} \frac{\cos(\alpha x)}{\alpha^2} \Big|_0^{\frac{1}{a}} \\ &= \frac{ha}{\pi\alpha^2} \left(1 - \cos\left(\frac{\alpha}{a}\right) \right)\end{aligned}$$