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Instructions to the Students: →

1) Dear Students I am continuing with my previous notes. I am starting with a new topic that is Convolution and Convolution theorem. Convolution theorem is a derivation type topic. It comes in examination as a long question type.

2) The second topic is the solution of wave Eq<sup>n</sup> by using Fourier transform. In the last semester you have already solve the one dimensional wave Eq<sup>n</sup> by using separation of variable method. This topic is also a long answer type question and some of boundary conditions may be change in the exam.

## Convolution

Convolution is an operator which works on two signals.

Time domain  $\rightarrow$  frequency domain

in time domain if  $\rightarrow$  In frequency domain  
multiplication occurs it is convolution denoted  
as a star symbol  
but it is not the  
multiplication sign,  
ie,  $*$

if in time domain it  $\xrightarrow{\text{then}}$  In frequency domain  
is convolution ie,  $*$  it is multiplication.

Property of Convolution  $\rightarrow$  If  $M(t)$  is a function then

$$\text{if } M(t) * \delta(t-t_0) = M(t-t_0) \rightarrow \text{shifted function}$$

This means that when a function convolutes with a shifted impulse ie,  $\delta(t-t_0)$  results in a shifted function.

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 5x + 3y$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = x + 7y$$

initial conditions are  $x(0) = 5$  and  $y(0) = 1$

### Convolution Theorem for Fourier transform

Let Convolution of  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  is defined in the interval  $(-\infty, \infty)$  as  $f * g = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u)g(x-u) du = h(x)$

Convolution theorem for Fourier transform - The Fourier transform of Convolution of  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  is the product of their Fourier transform i.e)

$$F\{f * g\} = F\{f(x)\} \cdot F\{g(x)\}$$

Proof:-  $F\{f(x)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{isx} f(x) dx$  — (1)

$$\Rightarrow F\{f * g\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{isx} \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u)g(x-u) du \right] dx$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{isx} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{isx} f(u)g(x-u) du dx$$

→ first integ w.r to  $u$   
then w.r to  $x$

Changing the order of integration,

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{isx} g(x-u) dx \right] du$$

put,  $x-u = t \Rightarrow dx = dt$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{is(u+t)} g(t) dt \right] du$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) \cdot e^{isu} \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ist} g(t) dt \right] du$$

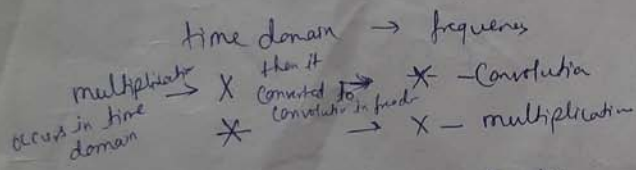
$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{isx} dx \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{isx} g(x) dx$$

Remark  
 Replaced  $u$  and  $t$  by  $x$   
 ↑ using  
 (definite integral property by  
 changing variable do not  
 change the value of  
 integral)

$$= F\{f(x)\} \cdot F\{g(x)\}$$

$$\left[ F\{f * g\} = F\{f(x)\} \times F\{g(x)\} \right]$$

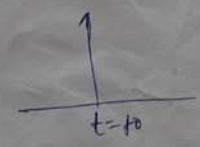
Convolution → is an operator <sup>two</sup> (≠ mathematical operator)  
 which works on signal



Property →  $M(t) \rightarrow$  is a function.

$$M(t) * \delta(t-t_0) \xrightarrow{\text{with a}} M(t-t_0) \rightarrow \text{why modulation performed}$$

↳ A function convolved with a shifted impulse (at  $t=t_0$ ) results in a shifted version of the function. That is the  $M(t-t_0)$  takes a place of impulse.



## Solution of wave Equation Application of Fourier Transform

Use the method of Fourier transform to determine the displacement  $y(x,t)$  of an infinite string, given that the string is initially at rest and the initial displacement is  $f(x)$ ,  $-\infty < x < \infty$ . Show that the sol<sup>n</sup> can also be put in the form

$$y(x,t) = \frac{1}{2} [f(x+ct) + f(x-ct)] \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

Sol<sup>n</sup>:  $\rightarrow$  Displacement  $y(x,t)$  of any point of an infinite string is governed by the wave Eq<sup>n</sup>

$$\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

where  $-\infty < x < \infty, t > 0$

with conditions  $\downarrow y(x,0) = f(x)$

(i)  $y(x,0) = f(x)$

(ii)  $\frac{\partial y}{\partial t} = 0$  at  $t=0$  (Since the string is initially at rest)

From (ii),

$$F \left\{ \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} \right\} = c^2 F \left\{ \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} \right\}$$

$$\text{or, } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} e^{-ipx} dx = c^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} e^{-ipx} dx \quad ?$$

B. Fourier transform of a derivative

$$\text{or, } \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y e^{-ipx} dx = c^2 (ip)^2 \bar{y}(p,t)$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{d^2 \bar{y}}{dt^2} + c^2 p^2 \bar{y} = 0 \quad \text{--- (iii)}$$

Its solution is,

$$\bar{y} = A \cos cpt + B \sin cpt \quad \text{--- (iv)}$$

But  $\frac{\partial y}{\partial t} = 0$  at  $t=0$ , and so  $\frac{d\bar{y}}{dt} = 0$  at  $t=0$

$$\text{From (iv), } 0 = \frac{d\bar{y}}{dt} = cP [-A \sin cpt + B \cos cpt]_{t=0}$$

$$0 = cP [A \cdot 0 + B] \Rightarrow B = 0 \quad \text{--- (v)}$$

$\therefore$  From (iv),  $\bar{y} = A \cos cpt$ .

$$\therefore F\{y(x,0)\} = F\{f(x)\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{y}(P,0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-ipx} dx = \bar{f}(P)$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{y}(P,0) = \bar{f}(P)$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \bar{f}(P) \quad \text{--- (vi)}$$

Now (iv) becomes, putting the value of A in (iv)

$$\bar{y} = \bar{f}(P) \cos cpt \quad \text{--- (vii)}$$

Taking inverse Fourier transform <sup>of (vii)</sup> we get

$$y(x,t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \bar{f}(P) \cos cpt \cdot e^{+ipx} dP$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \bar{f}(P) \cdot \left( \frac{e^{icpt} + e^{-icpt}}{2} \right) e^{+ipx} dP$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \bar{f}(P) \left[ \frac{e^{+ip(x+ct)} + e^{+ip(x-ct)}}{2} \right] dP$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \bar{f}(P) \frac{e^{+ip(x+ct)} + e^{+ip(x-ct)}}{2} dP \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \bar{f}(P) e^{+ip(x+ct)} dP + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \bar{f}(P) e^{+ip(x-ct)} dP \right] \quad \text{--- (viii)}$$

using the fact that  $g(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \bar{g}(P) e^{+ipx} dP$  we get  
 $y(x,t) = \frac{1}{2} [f(x+ct) + f(x-ct)]$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{y} &= A \cos cpt \\ \bar{y}(P,0) &= \bar{f}(P) \\ \bar{f}(P) &= A \end{aligned}$$