

# Communication Systems

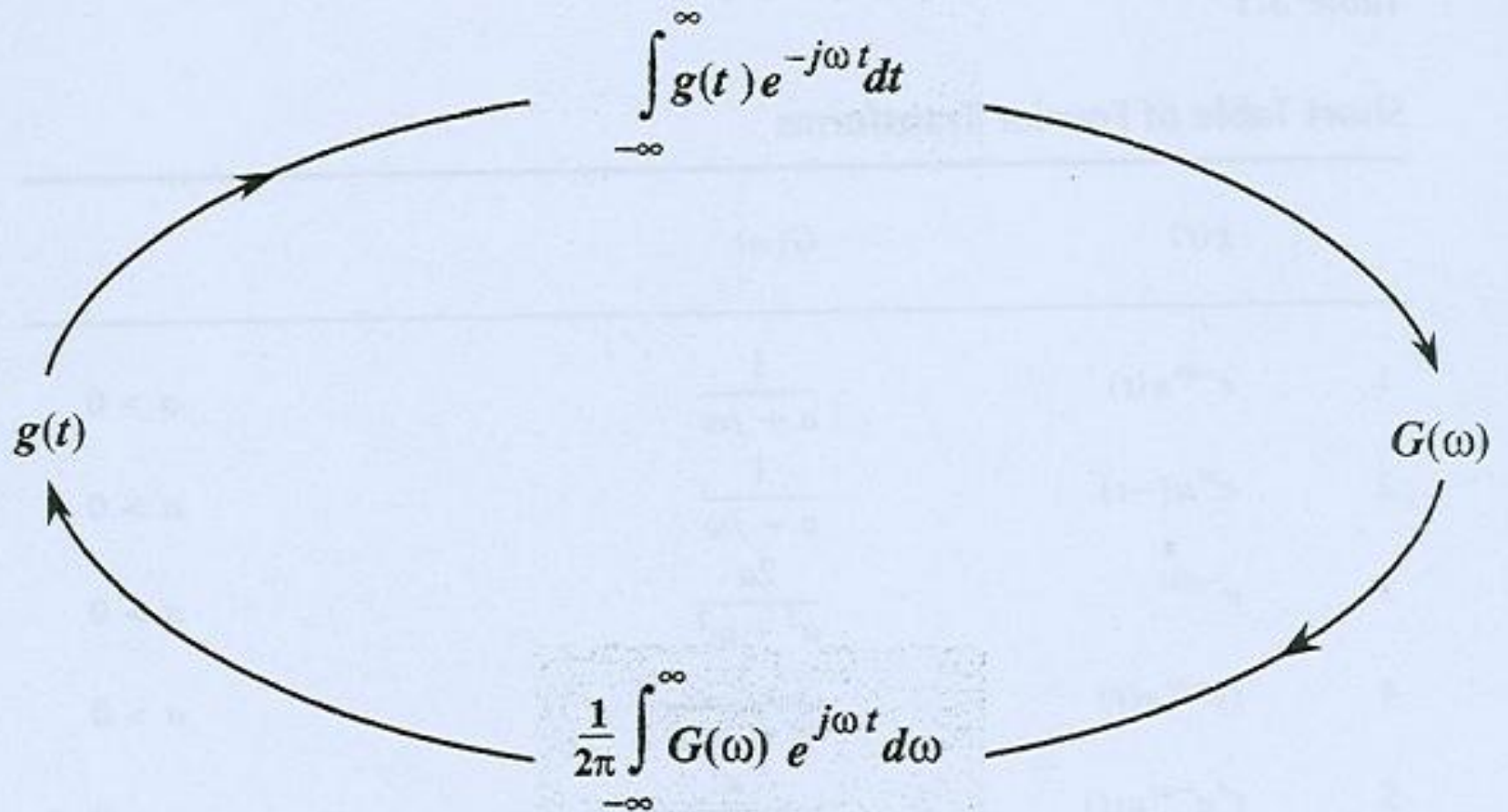
Lecture 7

# Some Properties of Fourier Transform

Table 3.1

Short Table of Fourier Transforms

	$g(t)$	$G(\omega)$	
1	$e^{-at} u(t)$	$\frac{1}{a + j\omega}$	$a > 0$
2	$e^{at} u(-t)$	$\frac{1}{a - j\omega}$	$a > 0$
3	$e^{-a t }$	$\frac{2a}{a^2 + \omega^2}$	$a > 0$
4	$t e^{-at} u(t)$	$\frac{1}{(a + j\omega)^2}$	$a > 0$
5	$t^n e^{-at} u(t)$	$\frac{n!}{(a + j\omega)^{n+1}}$	$a > 0$
6	$\delta(t)$	1	
7	1	$2\pi \delta(\omega)$	
8	$e^{j\omega_0 t}$	$2\pi \delta(\omega - \omega_0)$	
9	$\cos \omega_0 t$	$\pi[\delta(\omega - \omega_0) + \delta(\omega + \omega_0)]$	
10	$\sin \omega_0 t$	$j\pi[\delta(\omega + \omega_0) - \delta(\omega - \omega_0)]$	
11	$u(t)$	$\pi \delta(\omega) + \frac{1}{j\omega}$	
12	$\text{sgn } t$	$\frac{2}{j\omega}$	
13	$\cos \omega_0 t u(t)$	$\frac{\pi}{2} [\delta(\omega - \omega_0) + \delta(\omega + \omega_0)] + \frac{j\omega}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2}$	
14	$\sin \omega_0 t u(t)$	$\frac{\pi}{2j} [\delta(\omega - \omega_0) - \delta(\omega + \omega_0)] + \frac{\omega_0}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2}$	
15	$e^{-at} \sin \omega_0 t u(t)$	$\frac{\omega_0}{(a + j\omega)^2 + \omega_0^2}$	$a > 0$
16	$e^{-at} \cos \omega_0 t u(t)$	$\frac{a + j\omega}{(a + j\omega)^2 + \omega_0^2}$	$a > 0$
17	$\text{rect}\left(\frac{t}{\tau}\right)$	$\tau \text{sinc}\left(\frac{\omega\tau}{2}\right)$	
18	$\frac{W}{\pi} \text{sinc}(Wt)$	$\text{rect}\left(\frac{\omega}{2W}\right)$	
19	$\Delta\left(\frac{t}{\tau}\right)$	$\frac{\tau}{2} \text{sinc}^2\left(\frac{\omega\tau}{4}\right)$	
20	$\frac{W}{2\pi} \text{sinc}^2\left(\frac{Wt}{2}\right)$	$\Delta\left(\frac{\omega}{2W}\right)$	
21	$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - nT)$	$\omega_0 \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(\omega - n\omega_0)$	$\omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T}$
22	$e^{-t^2/2\sigma^2}$	$\sigma \sqrt{2\pi} e^{-\sigma^2 \omega^2/2}$	



**Figure 3.15** Near symmetry between direct and inverse Fourier transforms.

## Symmetry of Direct and Inverse Transform Operations – Time Frequency Duality

$$g(t - t_0) \iff G(\omega)e^{-j\omega t_0}$$

The dual of this property (the frequency-shifting property) states that

$$g(t)e^{j\omega_0 t} \iff G(\omega - \omega_0)$$

### Symmetry Property

This property states that if

$$g(t) \iff G(\omega)$$

then

$$G(t) \iff 2\pi g(-\omega) \quad (3.24)$$

*Proof:* From Eq. (3.8b),

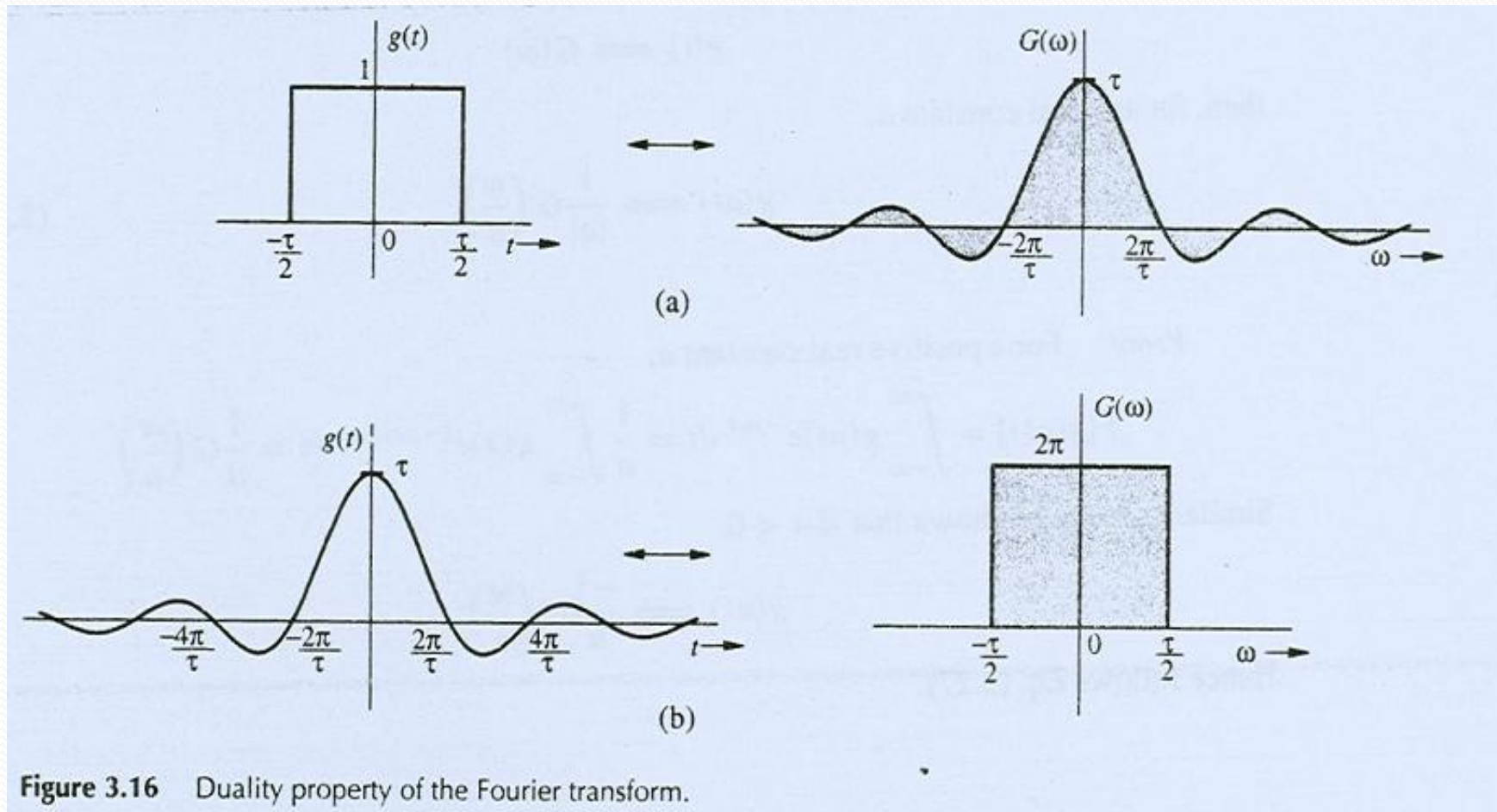
$$g(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(x)e^{jxt} dx$$

Hence,

$$2\pi g(-t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(x)e^{-jxt} dx$$

Changing  $t$  to  $\omega$  yields Eq. (3.24).

**Example 3.8** In this example we shall apply the symmetry property [Eq, (3.24)] to the pair in Fig 3.16a.



**Figure 3.16** Duality property of the Fourier transform.

From Eq. (3.17) we have

$$\underbrace{\text{rect}\left(\frac{t}{\tau}\right)}_{g(t)} \iff \underbrace{\tau \text{sinc}\left(\frac{\omega\tau}{2}\right)}_{G(\omega)} \quad (3.25)$$

Also  $G(t)$  is the same as  $G(\omega)$  with  $\omega$  replaced by  $t$ , and  $g(-\omega)$  is the same as  $g(t)$  with  $t$  replaced by  $-\omega$ . Therefore, the symmetry property (3.24) yields

$$\underbrace{\tau \text{sinc}\left(\frac{\tau t}{2}\right)}_{G(t)} \iff \underbrace{2\pi \text{rect}\left(\frac{-\omega}{\tau}\right)}_{2\pi g(-\omega)} = 2\pi \text{rect}\left(\frac{\omega}{\tau}\right) \quad (3.26)$$

# Scaling Property

If

$$g(t) \iff G(\omega)$$

then, for any real constant  $a$ ,

$$g(at) \iff \frac{1}{|a|} G\left(\frac{\omega}{a}\right) \quad (3.27)$$

*Proof:* For a positive real constant  $a$ ,

$$\mathcal{F}[g(at)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(at) e^{-j\omega t} dt = \frac{1}{a} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) e^{(-j\omega/a)x} dx = \frac{1}{a} G\left(\frac{\omega}{a}\right)$$

Similarly, it can be shown that if  $a < 0$ ,

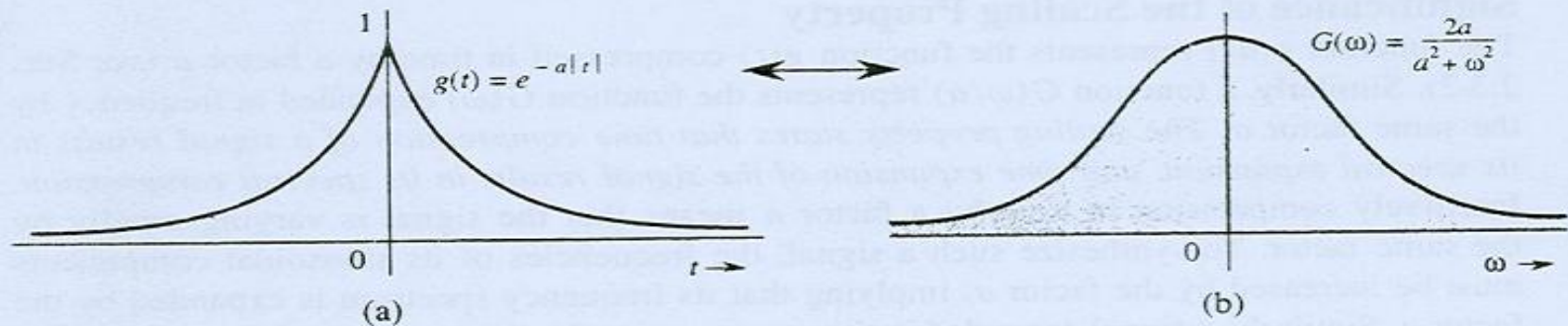
$$g(at) \iff \frac{-1}{a} G\left(\frac{\omega}{a}\right)$$

Hence follows Eq. (3.27).

**EXAMPLE 3.9** Show that

$$g(-t) \iff G(-\omega) \quad (3.28)$$

Using this result and the fact that  $e^{-at}u(t) \iff 1/a + j\omega$ , find the Fourier transforms of  $e^{at}u(-t)$  and  $e^{-a|t|}$ .



**Figure 3.18**  $e^{-a|t|}$  and its Fourier spectrum.

Equation (3.28) follows from Eq. (3.27) by letting  $a = -1$ . Application of Eq. (3.28) to pair 1 of Table 3.1 yields

$$e^{at}u(-t) \iff \frac{1}{a - j\omega}$$

Also

$$e^{-a|t|} = e^{-at}u(t) + e^{at}u(-t)$$

Therefore,

$$e^{-a|t|} \iff \frac{1}{a + j\omega} + \frac{1}{a - j\omega} = \frac{2a}{a^2 + \omega^2} \quad (3.29)$$

The signal  $e^{-a|t|}$  and its spectrum are shown in Fig. 3.18.

### 3.3.4 Time-Shifting Property

If

$$g(t) \iff G(\omega)$$

then

$$g(t - t_0) \iff G(\omega)e^{-j\omega t_0} \quad (3.30a)$$

*Proof:* By definition,

$$\mathcal{F}[g(t - t_0)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t - t_0)e^{-j\omega t} dt$$

Letting  $t - t_0 = x$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}[g(t - t_0)] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x)e^{-j\omega(x+t_0)} dx \\ &= e^{-j\omega t_0} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x)e^{-j\omega x} dx = G(\omega)e^{-j\omega t_0} \end{aligned} \quad (3.30b)$$

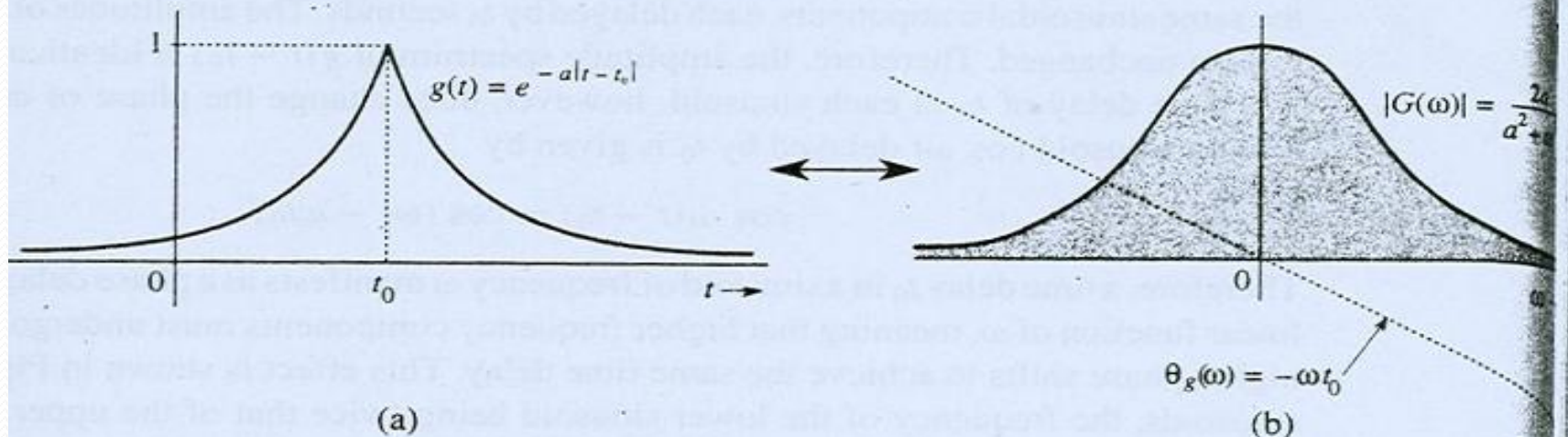
**EXAMPLE 3.10** Find the Fourier transform of  $e^{-a|t-t_0|}$ .

This function, shown in Fig. 3.20a, is a time-shifted version of  $e^{-a|t|}$  (shown in Fig. 3.18a). From Eqs. (3.29) and (3.30) we have

$$e^{-a|t-t_0|} \longleftrightarrow \frac{2a}{a^2 + \omega^2} e^{-j\omega t_0} \quad (3.31)$$

The spectrum of  $e^{-a|t-t_0|}$  (Fig. 3.20b) is the same as that of  $e^{-a|t|}$  (Fig. 3.18b), except for an added phase shift of  $-\omega t_0$ .

Observe that the time delay  $t_0$  causes a linear phase spectrum  $-\omega t_0$ . This example clearly demonstrates the effect of time shift.



**Figure 3.20** Effect of time shifting on the Fourier spectrum of a signal.

### Example 3.11

Show that

$$g(t - T) + g(t + T) \iff 2G(\omega) \cos T\omega \quad (3.32)$$

■ This follows directly from Eqs. (3.30).

### 3.3.5 Frequency-Shifting Property

If

$$g(t) \iff G(\omega)$$

then

$$g(t)e^{j\omega_0 t} \iff G(\omega - \omega_0) \quad (3.33)$$

*Proof:* By definition,

$$\mathcal{F}[g(t)e^{j\omega_0 t}] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t)e^{j\omega_0 t} e^{-j\omega t} dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t)e^{-j(\omega - \omega_0)t} dt = G(\omega - \omega_0)$$

This property states that multiplication of a signal by a factor  $e^{j\omega_0 t}$  shifts the spectrum of that signal by  $\omega = \omega_0$ . Note the duality between the time-shifting and the frequency-shifting properties.

# Shifting the Phase Spectrum of Modulated Signal

$$g(t) \cos(\omega_0 t + \theta_0) \iff \frac{1}{2} [G(\omega - \omega_0) e^{j\theta_0} + G(\omega + \omega_0) e^{-j\theta_0}] \quad (3.36)$$

For a special case when  $\theta_0 = -\pi/2$ , Eq. (3.36) becomes

$$g(t) \sin \omega_0 t \iff \frac{1}{2} [G(\omega - \omega_0) e^{-j\pi/2} + G(\omega + \omega_0) e^{j\pi/2}] \quad (3.37)$$

**EXAMPLE 3.12** Find and sketch the Fourier transform of the modulated signal  $g(t) \cos \omega_0 t$  in which  $g(t)$  is a gate pulse  $\text{rect}(t/T)$ , as shown in Fig. 3.22a.

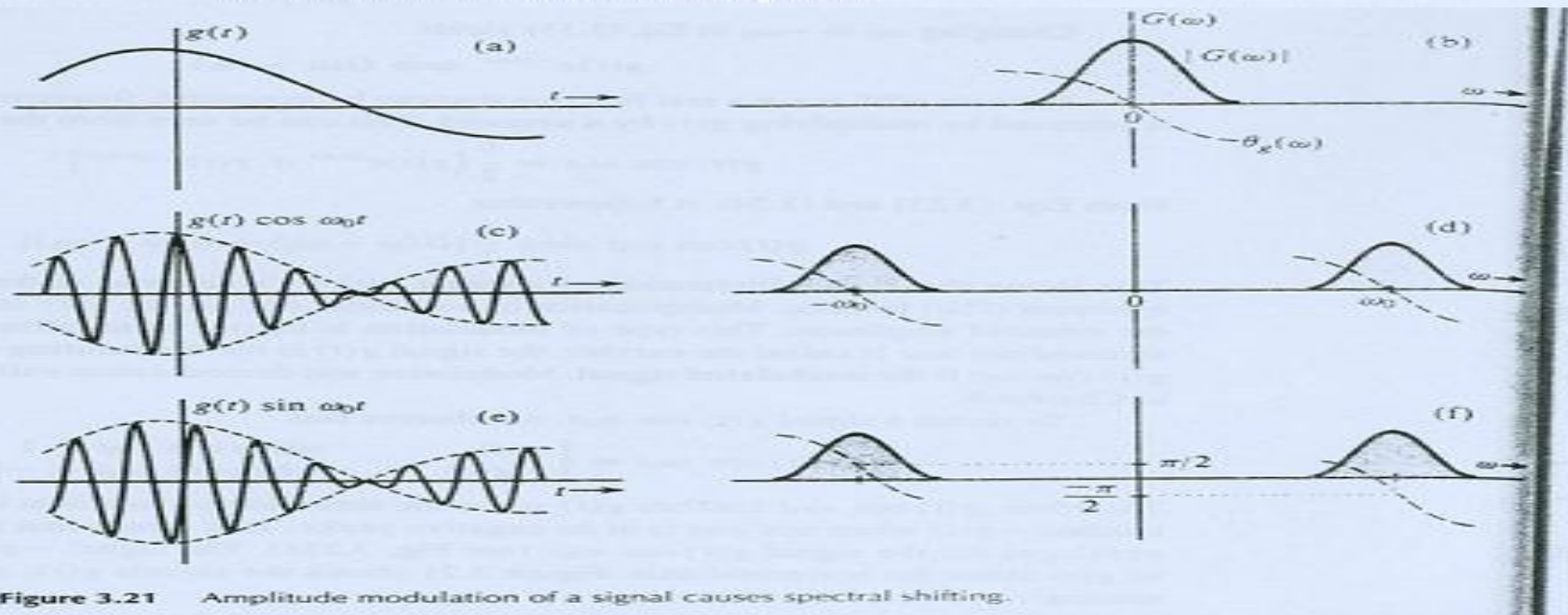


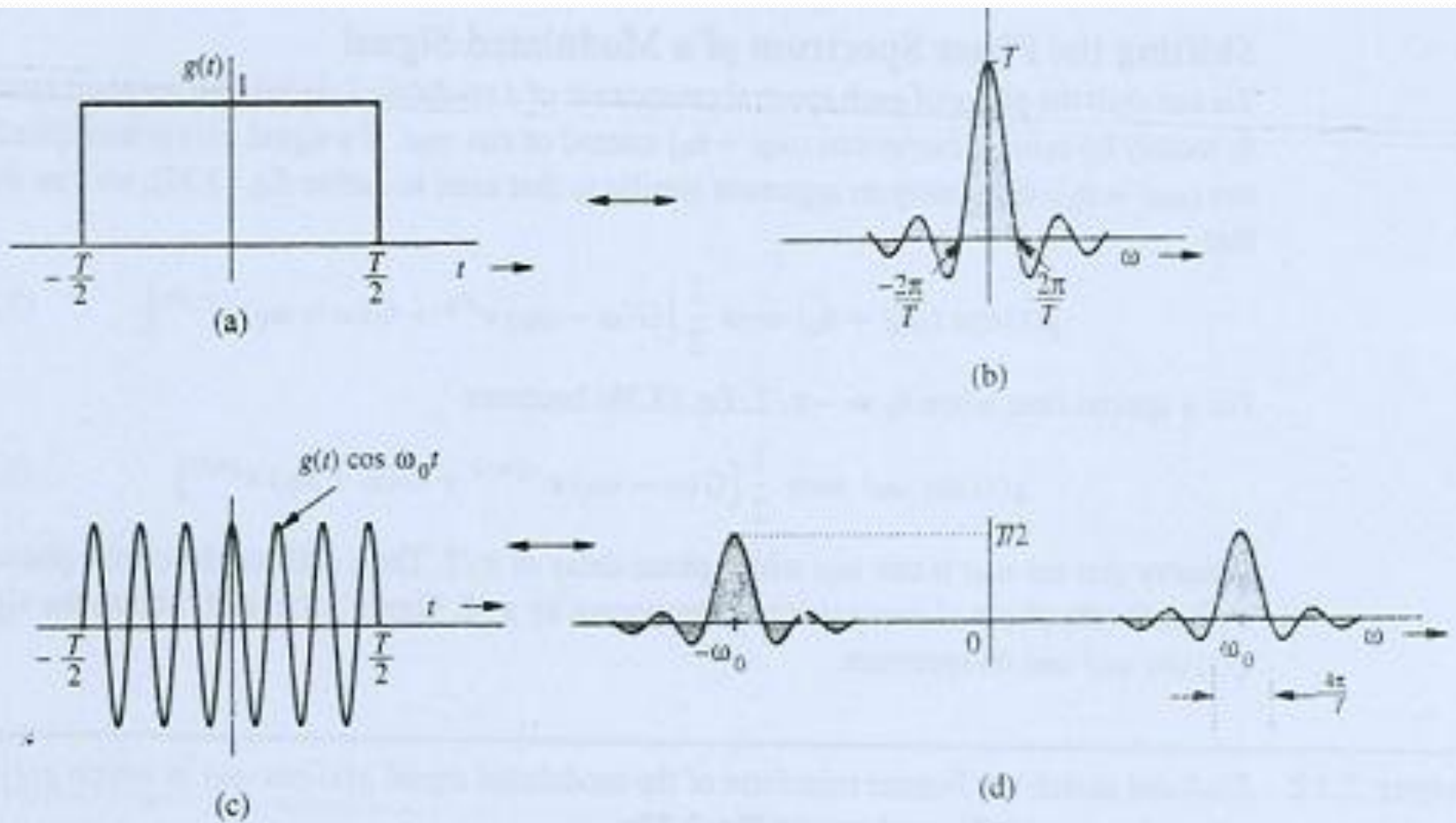
Figure 3.21 Amplitude modulation of a signal causes spectral shifting.

The pulse  $g(t)$  is the same rectangular pulse shown in Fig. 3.10a (with  $\tau = T$ ). From pair 17 of Table 3.1, we find  $G(\omega)$ , the Fourier transform of  $g(t)$ , as

$$\text{rect} \left( \frac{t}{T} \right) \iff T \text{sinc} \left( \frac{\omega T}{2} \right)$$

This spectrum  $G(\omega)$  is shown in Fig. 3.22b. The signal  $g(t) \cos \omega_0 t$  is shown in Fig. 3.22c. From Eq. (3.35) it follows that

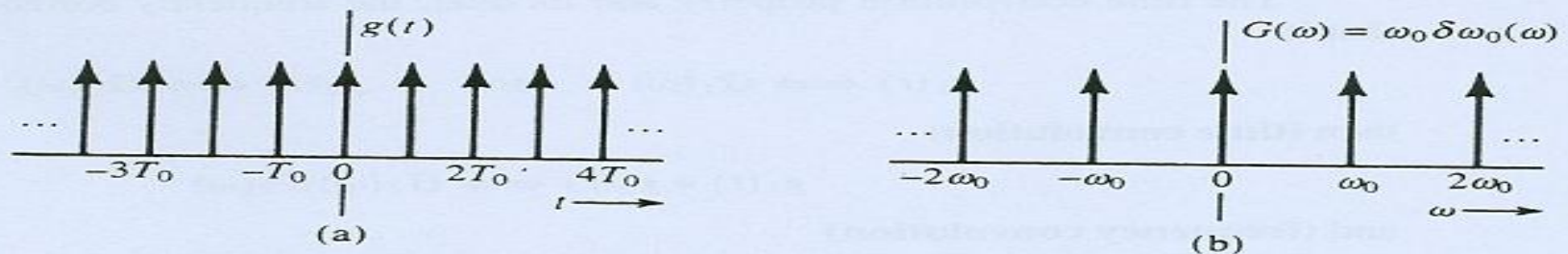
$$g(t) \cos \omega_0 t \iff \frac{1}{2} [G(\omega + \omega_0) + G(\omega - \omega_0)]$$



**Figure 3.22** Example of spectral shifting by amplitude modulation.

**EXAMPLE 3.13** Find the Fourier transform of a general periodic signal  $g(t)$  of period  $T_0$ , and hence, determine the Fourier transform of the periodic impulse train  $\delta_{T_0}(t)$  shown in Fig. 3.24a.

\* It is necessary that  $2\pi B \ll \omega_0$  for a well-defined envelope. Otherwise the variations of  $E(t)$  are of the same order as the carrier, and it will be difficult to separate the envelope from the carrier.



**Figure 3.24** Impulse train and its spectrum.

A periodic signal  $g(t)$  can be expressed as an exponential Fourier series as

$$g(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} D_n e^{jn\omega_0 t} \quad \omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T_0}$$

Therefore,

$$g(t) \iff \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}[D_n e^{jn\omega_0 t}]$$

Now from Eq. (3.20a), it follows that

$$g(t) \iff 2\pi \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} D_n \delta(\omega - n\omega_0) \quad (3.41)$$

Equation (2.89) shows that the impulse train  $\delta_{T_0}(t)$  can be expressed as an exponential Fourier series as

$$\delta_{T_0}(t) = \frac{1}{T_0} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{jn\omega_0 t} \quad \omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T_0}$$

Here  $D_n = 1/T_0$ . Therefore, from Eq. (3.41),

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{T_0}(t) &\iff \frac{2\pi}{T_0} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(\omega - n\omega_0) \\ &= \omega_0 \delta_{\omega_0}(\omega) \quad \omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T_0} \end{aligned} \quad (3.42)$$

Thus, the spectrum of the impulse train also happens to be an impulse train (in the frequency domain), as shown in Fig. 3.24b.

# Convolution

The convolution of two function  $g(t)$  and  $w(t)$ , denoted by  $g(t) * w(t)$ , is defined by the integral

$$g(t) * w(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(\tau)w(t - \tau) d\tau$$

The time convolution property and its dual, the frequency convolution property, state that if

$$g_1(t) \iff G_1(\omega) \quad \text{and} \quad g_2(t) \iff G_2(\omega)$$

then (**time convolution**)

$$g_1(t) * g_2(t) \iff G_1(\omega)G_2(\omega) \quad (3.43)$$

and (**frequency convolution**)

$$g_1(t)g_2(t) \iff \frac{1}{2\pi} G_1(\omega) * G_2(\omega) \quad (3.44)$$

*Proof:* By definition,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}[g_1(t) * g_2(t)] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-j\omega t} \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g_1(\tau)g_2(t - \tau)d\tau \right] dt \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g_1(\tau) \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-j\omega t} g_2(t - \tau)dt \right] d\tau \end{aligned}$$

The inner integral is the Fourier transform of  $g_2(t - \tau)$ , given by [time-shifting property in Eq. (3.30)]  $G_2(\omega)e^{-j\omega\tau}$ . Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{F}[g_1(t) * g_2(t)] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g_1(\tau)e^{-j\omega\tau} G_2(\omega) d\tau \\ &= G_2(\omega) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g_1(\tau)e^{-j\omega\tau} d\tau = G_1(\omega)G_2(\omega).\end{aligned}$$

The frequency convolution property (3.44) can be proved in exactly the same way by reversing the roles of  $g(t)$  and  $G(\omega)$ .

## Time Differentiation and Time Integration

If

$$g(t) \iff G(\omega)$$

then **(time differentiation)\***

$$\frac{dg}{dt} \iff j\omega G(\omega) \quad (3.46)$$

and **(time integration)**

$$\int_{-\infty}^t g(\tau) d\tau \iff \frac{G(\omega)}{j\omega} + \pi G(0)\delta(\omega) \quad (3.47)$$

*Proof:* Differentiation of both sides of Eq. (3.8b) yields

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

This shows that

$$\frac{dg}{dt} \iff j\omega G(\omega)$$

Repeated application of this property yields

$$\frac{d^n g}{dt^n} \iff (j\omega)^n G(\omega) \quad (3.48)$$

**Table 3.2**  
**Fourier Transform Operations**

Operation	$g(t)$	$G(\omega)$
Addition	$g_1(t) + g_2(t)$	$G_1(\omega) + G_2(\omega)$
Scalar multiplication	$kg(t)$	$kG(\omega)$
Symmetry	$G(t)$	$2\pi g(-\omega)$
Scaling	$g(at)$	$\frac{1}{ a } G\left(\frac{\omega}{a}\right)$
Time shift	$g(t - t_0)$	$G(\omega)e^{-j\omega t_0}$
Frequency shift	$g(t)e^{j\omega_0 t}$	$G(\omega - \omega_0)$
Time convolution	$g_1(t) * g_2(t)$	$G_1(\omega)G_2(\omega)$
Frequency convolution	$g_1(t)g_2(t)$	$\frac{1}{2\pi} G_1(\omega) * G_2(\omega)$
Time differentiation	$\frac{d^n g}{dt^n}$	$(j\omega)^n G(\omega)$
Time integration	$\int_{-\infty}^t g(x) dx$	$\frac{G(\omega)}{j\omega} + \pi G(0)\delta(\omega)$