sec, *meters*, *etc*. However, since frequencies (f) are usually expressed in Hz (= cycles per second = sec^{-1}), the dimensionful physical units of <u>frequency domain</u> $\tilde{g}(f)$ are more commonly expressed as *RMS Volts/Hz*, *Pascals/Hz*, (*meters/sec*)/Hz, *etc.*, respectively.

The <u>angular frequency</u> Fourier transform of $\tilde{g}(t)$, $\tilde{g}(\omega) = \mathcal{F}\{\tilde{g}(t)\} \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \tilde{g}(t)e^{-i\omega t}dt$ have dimensionful physical units of *RMS Volt*-sec/*rad*, *Pascal-sec/rad*, *meters/rad*, *etc.*, respectively.

If we now explicitly insert $\tilde{g}(t) = p_o e^{+i\omega_o t}$ into the expression for the Fourier transform of the <u>time domain</u> $\tilde{g}(t)$ to the <u>frequency domain</u>:

$$\tilde{g}(\omega) = \mathcal{F}\left\{\tilde{g}(t)\right\} \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \tilde{g}(t) e^{-i\omega t} dt = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} p_o e^{+i\omega_o t} e^{-i\omega t} dt = p_o \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{+i(\omega_o - \omega)t} dt}_{=2\pi\delta(\omega_o - \omega)} = p_o \cdot 2\pi\delta(\omega_o - \omega)$$

where the delta function $\delta(\omega_o - \omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{i(\omega_o - \omega)t} dt$, has the dimensionful physical units of the *inverse* of its argument, *i.e.* $1/\omega = 1/2\pi f$ (= seconds/radian, or equivalently, 1/radian-Hz).

We insert the <u>frequency domain</u> $\tilde{g}(\omega) = p_o \cdot 2\pi\delta(\omega_o - \omega)$ into the expression for the <u>inverse</u> Fourier transform to obtain the <u>time domain</u> representation $\tilde{g}(t)$:

$$\tilde{g}(t) = \mathcal{F}^{-1}\left\{\tilde{g}(\omega)\right\} \equiv \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \tilde{g}(\omega) e^{+i\omega t} d\omega = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} p_o \cdot 2\pi \delta(\omega_o - \omega) e^{+i\omega t} d\omega = p_o e^{+i\omega_o t} d\omega$$

where we have used the relations: $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \delta(x_o - x) dx = 1 \text{ and: } \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} g(x) \cdot \delta(x_o - x) dx = g(x_o).$

Thus, we see that an infinitely long/continuous complex exponential <u>time domain</u> signal $\tilde{g}(t) = p_o e^{+i\omega_o t}$ corresponds to an infinitely sharp/narrow "spike" in the <u>frequency domain</u> $\tilde{g}(\omega) = p_o \cdot 2\pi\delta(\omega_o - \omega)$, as shown graphically in the two figures below:



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