

Signal Energy and Power

Energy

Sum of squares of abs value of signal between a given interval.

$$E_c = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} |x(t)|^2 dt \Rightarrow P_c = \frac{E_c}{t_2 - t_1}$$

$$E_d = \sum_{n=-N}^N |x[n]|^2 \Rightarrow P_d = \frac{E_d}{2N+1}$$

Example

Evaluate the E_{∞} and P_{∞} for

a) $x_1(t) = \cos(t)$ b) $x_2[n] = e^{j(\frac{\pi}{2n} + \frac{\pi}{8})}$

Solution

$$a) E_{\infty} = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-T}^T |x(t)|^2 dt = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-T}^T |\cos(t)|^2 dt = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-T}^T \frac{1 + \cos 2t}{2} dt$$

$$= \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{t}{2} + \frac{\sin 2t}{4} \right]_{-T}^T = \frac{T}{2} + \frac{T}{2} + \frac{\sin 2T}{4} + \frac{\sin 2T}{4}$$

$$= T + \frac{\sin 2T}{2} = \infty$$

$$P_{\infty} = \frac{E_{\infty}}{2T} = \frac{T + \frac{\sin(2T)}{2}}{2T} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sin 2T}{4T} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$b) E_{\infty} = \sum_{n=-N}^N |e^{j(\pi/2n + \pi/8)}|^2$$

Note: $|x[n]| = \sqrt{x[n] \cdot x^*[n]}$ (conjugate)

$$E_{\infty} = \sum_{n=-N}^N \sqrt{e^{j(\pi/2n + \pi/8)} e^{-j(\pi/2n + \pi/8)}}^2$$

$$= \sum_{n=-N}^N \sqrt{e^0}^2 = \sum_{n=-N}^N 1 = 2N+1$$

$$P_{\infty} = \frac{E_{\infty}}{2N+1} = 1$$