

# Review of Topics

Inertia Terms is  $\ll$  drag (viscosity) term

Sidebar: Fourier Transforms



# List of topics we've so-far covered (12 of them)

- 1. Size vs. strength:  $L^3$  vs.  $L^2$ .
- 2. Partition function, Boltzmann distribution:  $(Z^{-1}\sum e^{-E/k_B T})$
- 3. Enthalpy  $\Delta H$  ( $\approx \Delta E$ ), entropy  $\Delta S = \ln W_i$ , & Free Energy ( $\Delta G$ ):  $\Delta G \approx \Delta E - T\Delta S$
- 4. Proteins & amino acids
  - a. 20 amino acids: R group: Non-polar, polar, charged; Hydrophobic vs hydrophilic
  - b. Bonds & strength of bonds (covalent, ionic, hydrogen, van der Waals)
  - c. Primary, secondary, tertiary, quaternary structures
- 5. Enzyme, activation energy
- 6. DNA
  - a. Structure and function— 3 parts: base composition (aromatic group (T,A,G,C), sugar (two  $-OH$ ), phosphate backbone. 3' and 5' end.
  - b. Twist
  - d. Supercoiling: Twist and Writhe
  - e.  $N_{\text{buckling}}$ ,  $\Gamma_{\text{buckling}}$
  - f. Persistence length



# List of topics we've so-far covered

- 6. DNA
  - a. Structure and function
  - b. Base composition
  - c. Twist
  - d. Supercoiling: Twist and Writhe
  - e.  $N_{\text{buckling}}$  : DNA starts to buckle and forms supercoil with slope,  $S_{\text{buckling}}$
  - f. Persistence length
- 7. RNA
  - a. Structure & Base composition (less -OH and U instead of T)
  - b. Function- more diverse/catalytic; and less good at storage.
  - c. RNA world vs. DNA world. Archea, Prokaryotic (Bacteria), Eukaryotic.
- 8. Equipartition theorem:  $\frac{1}{2} k_B T =$  degree of freedom which goes like  $y_i^2$ .
- 9. Freely Jointed chain (FJC) and worm Like chain (WLC)
- 10. Magnetic trap
- 11. Atomic Force Microscope
- 12. Optical Trap– Bandwidth limits



## What is noise in measurement?

The noise in position using equipartition theorem

→ you calculate for noise at all frequencies (infinite bandwidth).

For a typical value of stiffness ( $k$ ) = 0.1 pN/nm.

$$\langle x^2 \rangle^{1/2} = (k_B T / k)^{1/2} = (4.14 / 0.1)^{1/2} = (41.4)^{1/2} \sim 6.4 \text{ nm}$$

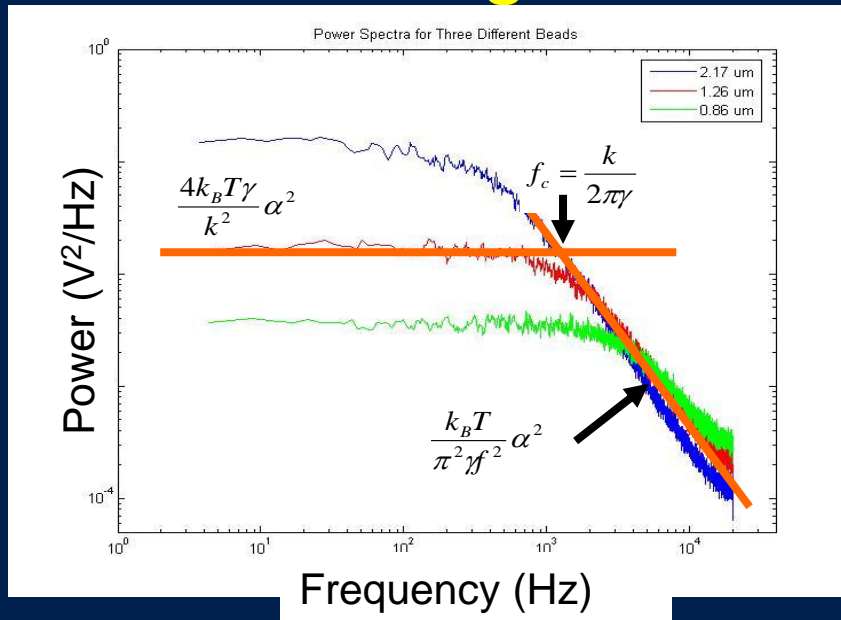
6.4 nm is a pretty large number.

[ Kinesin moves every 8.3 nm; 1 base-pair = 3.4 Å ]

How to decrease noise?



# Reducing bandwidth reduces noise.



If instead you collect data out to a lower bandwidth BW (100 Hz), you get a much smaller noise.

Noise = integrate power spectrum over frequency.

If  $BW < f_c$  then it's simple integration because power spectrum is constant, with amplitude =  $4k_B T \gamma / k^2$

Let's say  $BW = 100$  Hz: typical value of  $\gamma$  ( $10^{-6}$  for  $\sim 1$  μm bead in water).

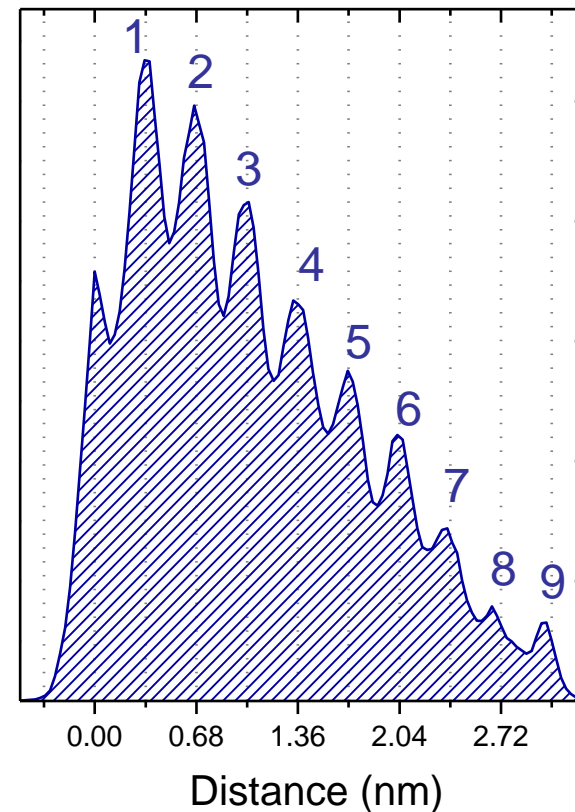
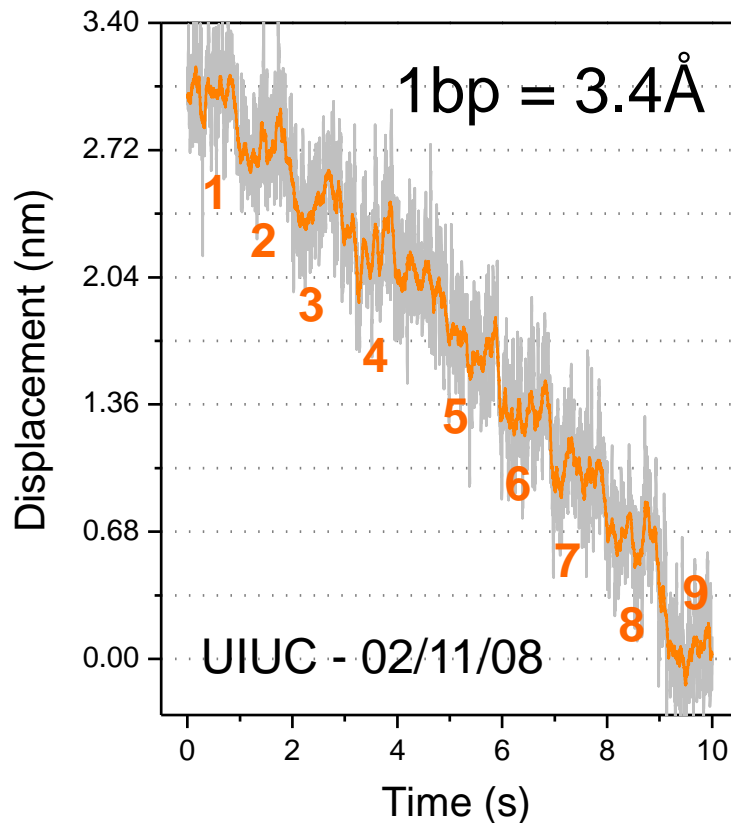
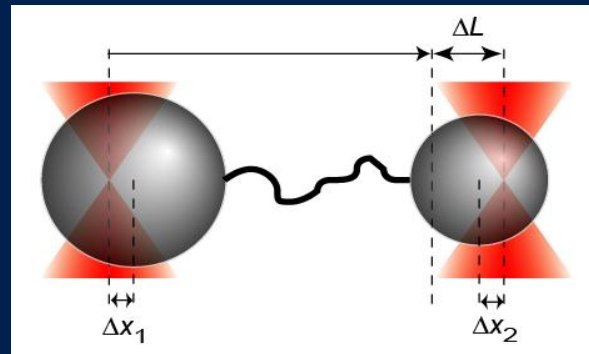
$$\text{But } (\langle x^2 \rangle_{BW})^{1/2} = [\int \text{const} * (BW) dk]^{1/2} = [(4k_B T \gamma 100) / k]^{1/2} =$$

$$[4 * 4.14 * 10^{-6} * 100 / 0.1]^{1/2}$$

$$\sim 0.4 \text{ nm} = 4 \text{ Angstrom!!}$$



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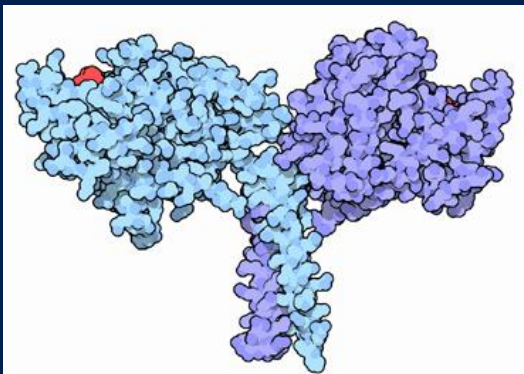
3.4 kb DNA  
F ~ 20 pN  
f = 100Hz, 10Hz

# Observing individual steps

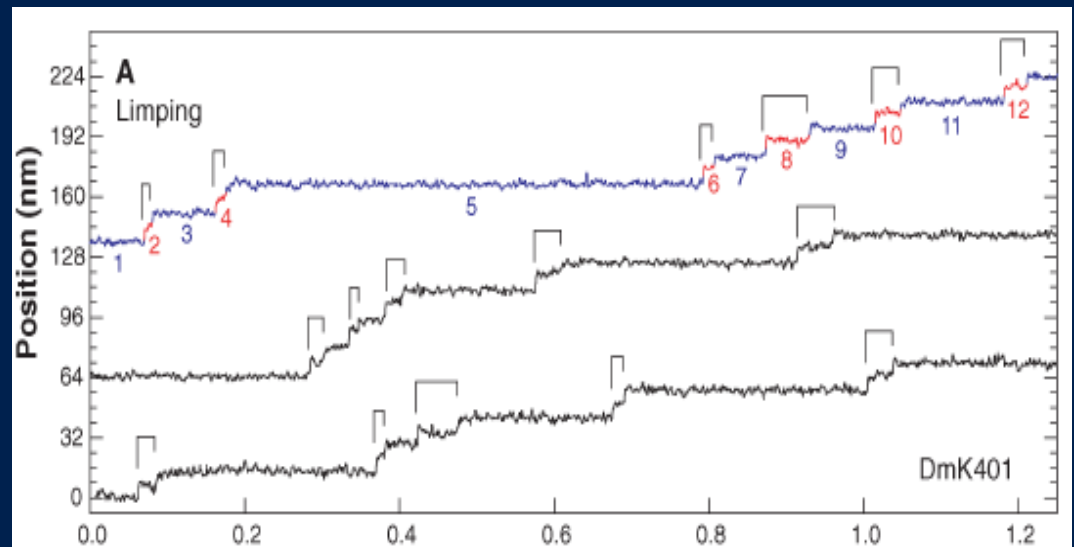
Motors move in discrete steps

Detailed statistics on kinetics of stepping & coordination

Kinesin



Step size: 8nm



# Brownian motion of small particle: $ma \approx 0$

$k_B T = 4.14 \text{ pN-nm}$   
 $k \approx 0.1 \text{ pN-nm}$

Langevin equation:

$$\overset{\approx 0}{m\ddot{x}} + g\dot{x} + kx = F(t)$$

Exponential autocorrelation function

$$\langle DF(t)DF(t') \rangle = \frac{k_B T}{k} e^{-k|t-t'|/g}$$

Inertia term  
 (ma)

Drag force  
 $\gamma = 6\pi\eta r$

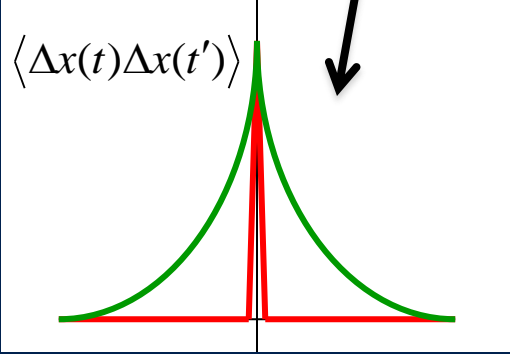
Trap force

Fluctuating Brownian force

FT  $\rightarrow$  Lorentzian power spectrum

$$S_x(f) = \frac{4k_B T \gamma}{k^2} \frac{1}{1 + (f / f_c)^2}$$

Inertia term for  $\mu\text{m}$ -sized objects is always small (...for bacteria)

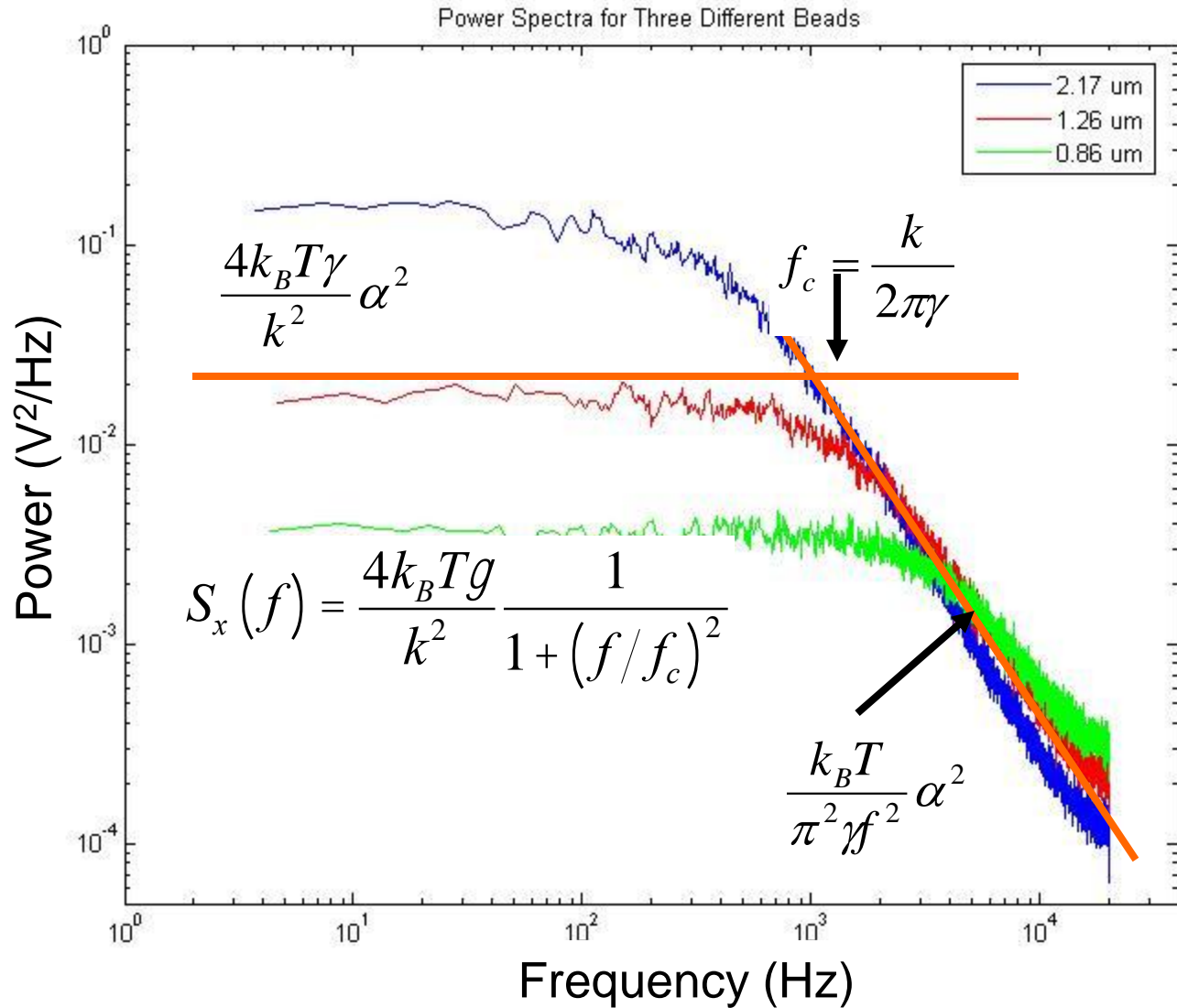


Corner frequency  
 $f_c = k/2\pi\gamma$





1. Voltages vs. time from detectors.
2. Take FT.
3. Square it to get Power spectrum.
4. Power spectrum =  $\alpha^2 * S_x(f)$ .



We want to show:

For small objects the inertial force term  $\approx 0$

$$m d^2x/dt^2 \ll \gamma dx/dt$$

## Sidelight into Fourier Transforms

Langevin equation:

$$\overset{\approx 0}{m} \ddot{x} + \gamma \dot{x} + kx = F(t)$$

$$\tilde{x}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x(t) e^{-i\omega t} dt$$

$x(\omega)$  = the amplitude of  $x(t)$  which has the frequency at  $\omega$ .

So if you add up all  $x(\omega)$ , you will get back  $x(t)$ .

To include all possible  $\omega$ , go from  $-\infty$  to  $+\infty$

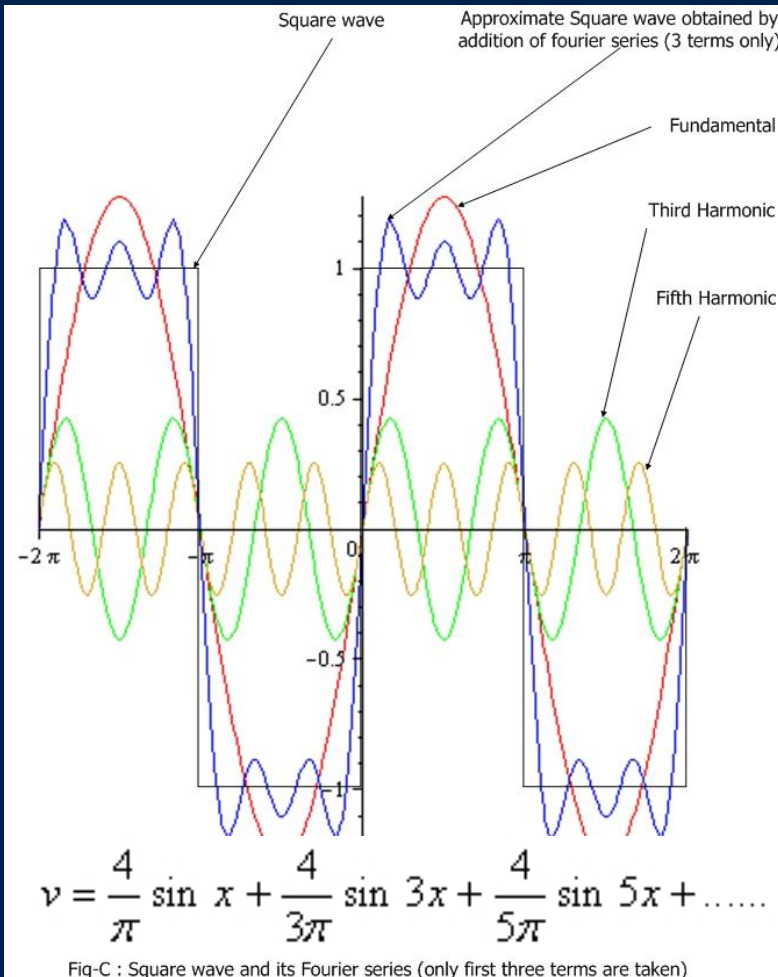
A differential equation can be looked at as a simple algebraic equation through Fourier Transforms.



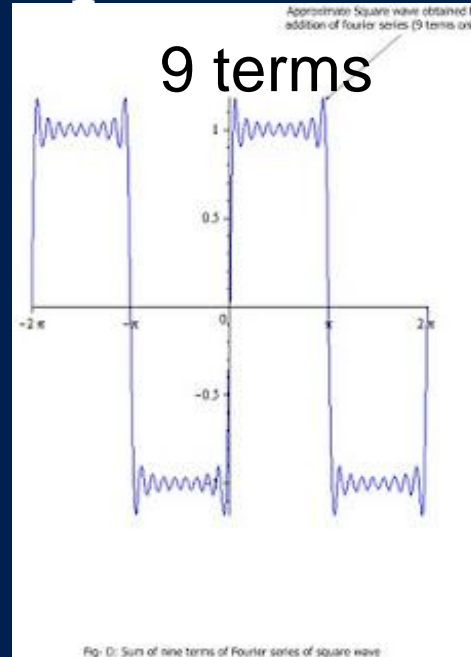
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## Can add up and get all sorts of function

### Square wave



Google: square wave Fourier transform



Since  $f(x) = f(2L-x)$ ,  
the function is odd,  
So  $b_0 = b_n = 0$   
where  $n$  is even

$$b_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

$$f(x) = \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{n=1,3,5,\dots}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$



# Fourier Transform: can view as a $f(t)$ , or a $f(\omega)$

$$f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(\omega) e^{-i\omega t} d\omega$$

$$F(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{i\omega t} dt$$

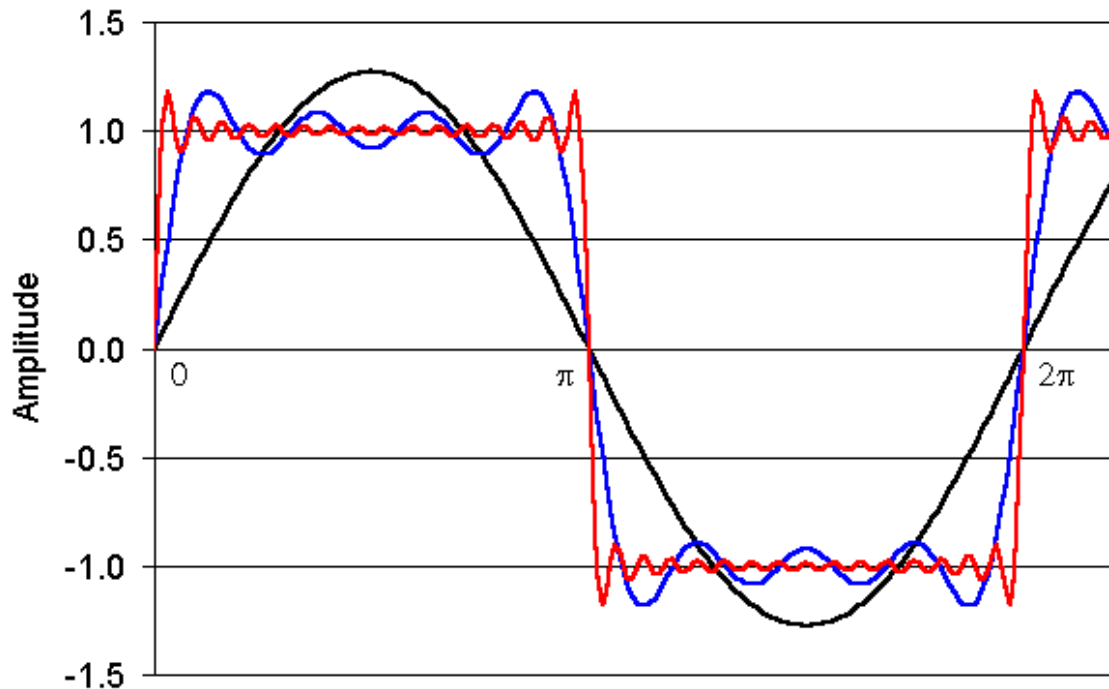
$\omega$ , the angular frequency  
( $2f$ ),

$t$  is time, and:

$$e^{i\omega t} = \cos(\omega t) + i \sin(\omega t)$$

where  $i = \sqrt{-1}$

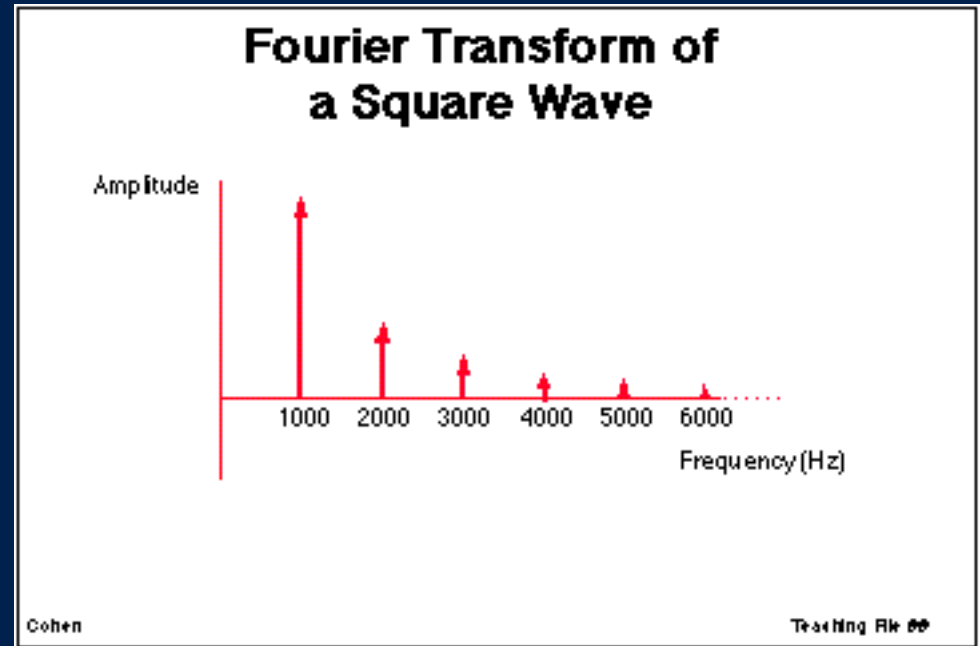
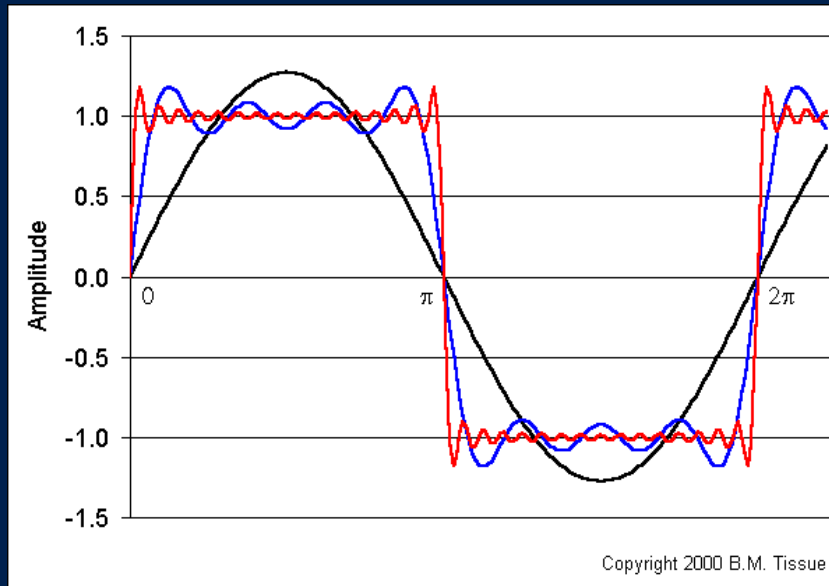
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The three curves in the plot show the first one term (black line), four terms (blue line), and sixteen terms (red line) in the Fourier expansion. As more terms are added the superposition of sine waves better matches a square wave.



# F(t) and f(ω): Equivalent



$$\tilde{x}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x(t) e^{-i\omega t} dt$$

If the FT of  $x(t) = x(\omega)$ , then  
 A trick:  $dx(t)/dt = i\omega x(\omega)$   
 then  $d^2x/dt^2 = -\omega^2 x$

[will give as homework]

Langevin equation:

$$m\ddot{x} + g\dot{x} + kx = F(t)$$

Langevin equation:

$$-m\omega^2 \tilde{x} + i\omega g \tilde{x} + k\tilde{x} = F(\omega)$$



## Some numbers...

$$\omega = 2\pi \times 10^4$$

$$m = \frac{4}{3}\pi\rho r^3 : r = 0.5 \mu\text{m};$$

$$\rho = 1.05 \text{ kg/m}^3 = 1.75 \times 10^{-16}$$

$$\text{Inertial term: } m\omega^2 = 2.2 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\eta = 10^{-3} \text{ (viscosity of water)}$$

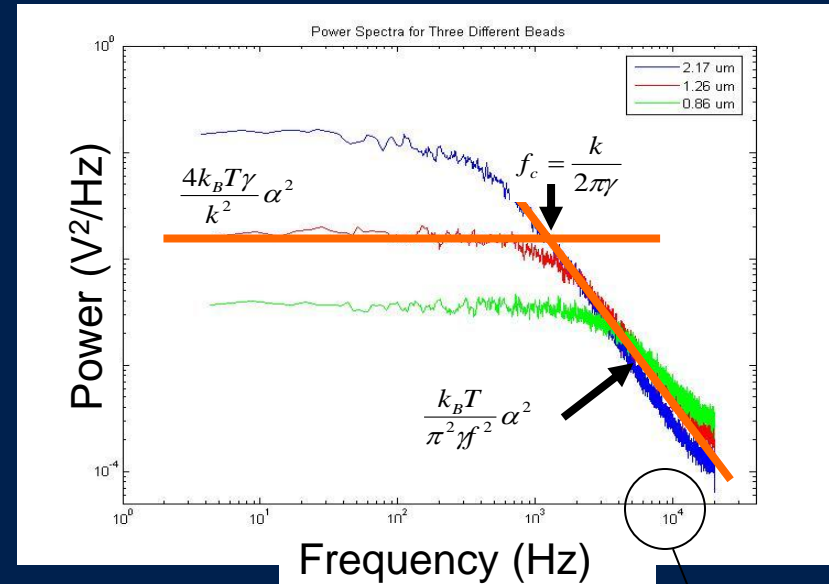
$$\gamma = 6.0 \pi \eta r = 1.9 \times 10^{-8}$$

$$\text{Viscosity Term: } \gamma\omega = 0.0012$$

$$\text{Harmonic term: } k = 0.1 \text{ pN/nm}$$

$$\text{Ratio} = \text{IT/VT} = 0.0018$$

So Inertial term  $\ll$  Viscous term



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# Class evaluation

1. What was the most interesting thing you learned in class today?
2. What are you confused about?
3. Related to today's subject, what would you like to know more about?
4. Any helpful comments.

Answer, and turn in at the end of class.

