

Dirac Delta Function

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(k) e^{ikx} dk \quad (1a)$$

$$g(k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-ikx} dx \quad (1b)$$

With x' as a dummy variable, substitute (1b) into (1a) to get

$$f(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx' f(x') \delta(x-x')$$

after rearrangement, where

$$\delta(x-x') = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ik(x-x')} dk \text{ is the}$$

Fourier representation of the Dirac Delta Function. A more simple representation is

$$\delta(x) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \frac{1}{\epsilon} & -\epsilon/2 < x < \epsilon/2 \\ 0 & |x| > \epsilon/2 \end{array} \right\}$$

Some properties of δ : $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x-x') dx = 1$

$$\delta(x) = \delta(-x)$$





