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{ Fourier Series and Fourier Transform }

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⇒ Fourier Series:

• It is the method of representing a periodic function $f(x)$ as infinite sum of sines and cosines.

Periodic Function:

A function is said to be periodic with period ' p ', if

$$g(x) = g(x+np), \text{ where } n=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

⇒ For expansion of a function, the Fourier Series is making use of orthogonality relation between the sine and cosine functions.

Orthogonal Functions:

Two functions $g(t)$ and $x(t)$ are said to be orthogonal, if :

$$\langle g(t) | x(t) \rangle = \int_a^b g(t) x(t) w(t) dt = 0$$

where; $w(t) = \text{weighting function}$
and $a \leq t \leq b$

⇒ Fourier Series is a very convenient way of dividing a periodic function into simple terms, and then after solving them separately, the final output can be recombined to present the solution to a given problem.

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⇒ Dirichlet's Conditions:

For the implementation of Fourier Series to represent a periodic Function, The Following two conditions should be satisfied :

a : For a single-valued periodic signal, There should be a finite number of maxima and minima, and at most finite number of discontinuous points in an interval of one period.

b : The signal is completely integrable over the interval of one period:

Let, we have an arbitrary periodic signal $g(t)$, Then;

$$g(t) = \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} |g(t)| dt < \infty.$$

⇒ Fourier Series Representation of a signal:

⇒ Consider a continuous periodic signal;

$$g(t) = e^{j\omega_0 t}$$

Due to its continuity property, there will be a set of complex exponentials associated with, ranging from $-\infty$ to $+\infty$.

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So, we can write;

$$\phi_k = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{jk\omega_0 t}$$

Now, by using vector analogy;

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t} \quad (i)$$

where a_k = Fourier Series Co-efficient

Eq. (i) shows the Fourier Series for representing any signal in space.

Derivation of Fourier Series Co-efficient

As we know that;

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t}$$

Multiplying both sides by $e^{-jn\omega_0 t}$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) \cdot e^{-jn\omega_0 t} = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k \cdot e^{jk\omega_0 t} \cdot e^{-jn\omega_0 t}$$

Taking $j\omega_0 t$ as common,

$$\Rightarrow x(t) \cdot e^{-jn\omega_0 t} = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k \cdot e^{j(k-n)\omega_0 t}$$

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Taking \int_0^T on both sides:

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^T x(t) e^{-jn\omega_0 t} dt = \int_0^T \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{j(k-n)\omega_0 t} dt$$

Taking constants out of integral;

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^T x(t) e^{-jn\omega_0 t} dt = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k \left[\int_0^T e^{j(k-n)\omega_0 t} dt \right] \quad (i)$$

Using Euler's Formula on $\int_0^T e^{j(k-n)\omega_0 t} dt$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^T e^{j(k-n)\omega_0 t} dt = \int_0^T \cos((k-n)\omega_0 t) dt + j \int_0^T \sin((k-n)\omega_0 t) dt$$

There are two possibilities;

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^T e^{j(k-n)\omega_0 t} dt = \begin{cases} T, & k=n \\ 0, & k \neq n \end{cases}$$

Hence, eq.(i) can be represented as;

$$a_k = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T x(t) e^{-jn\omega_0 t} dt.$$

which is the required Fourier series co-efficient.

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⇒ Fourier Transform from Fourier Series:

⇒ Fourier Transform is a mathematical process which can be used to transform a signal from time domain to frequency domain and vice versa.

⇒ It can be applied in many fields of engineering like signal processing and RADAR.

Derivation of Fourier Transform:

A signal $x(t)$ in terms of Fourier Series can be written as;

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} X[k] e^{jkw t}$$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} X[k] e^{jk \frac{2\pi}{T} t} \quad (i) \quad \because w = 2\pi/T$$

$$\therefore \text{change in frequency} = \Delta f = \frac{1}{T}$$

$$\text{eq. (i)} \Rightarrow x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} X[k] e^{jk 2\pi \Delta f t}$$

$$\therefore X[k] = \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} x(t) \cdot e^{-jkw t} dt$$

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$$\Rightarrow X[k] = \Delta F \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} x(t) \cdot e^{-jk2\pi\Delta f t} dt \quad (ii) \quad \because \Delta F = \frac{1}{T}$$

put eq.(ii) in eq. (i)

$$eq.(i) \Rightarrow x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\Delta F \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} x(t) \cdot e^{-jk2\pi\Delta f t} dt \right] e^{jk2\pi\Delta f t}$$

$$\text{Let; } t_0 = -T/2$$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\Delta F \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} x(t) \cdot e^{-jk2\pi\Delta f t} dt \right] e^{jk2\pi\Delta f t} \quad (iii)$$

By taking limit: $-\infty$ to ∞ i.e $T \rightarrow \infty$.
we will make the following changes:

" Σ " becomes " \int ".

" ΔF " becomes "df"

" $k\Delta F$ " becomes "f"

$$eq.(iii) \Rightarrow x(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} df \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) \cdot e^{-j2\pi ft} \cdot dt \cdot e^{j2\pi ft}$$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X[w] \cdot e^{jwt} \cdot dw \quad (iv)$$

From eq. (iv): we can write:

$$X[w] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) \cdot e^{-jwt} dt \quad (v)$$

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Result:

eq. (iv) is The inverse Fourier Transform while eq. (v) is The Fourier Transform of any signal.