

phys481_week10_fourier_part2

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1 Fourier transform II

1.1 Phys 481 Winter 2017 Week 10

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In [1]: import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
%matplotlib inline
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1.2 Fourier transform

If the Fourier transform is defined as

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

and the inverse Fourier transform is defined as

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

then we can take the inverse of a forward transform

$$f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\omega e^{+i\omega t} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dt' e^{-i\omega t'} f(t')$$

and rearrange

$$f(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dt' f(t') \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\omega e^{+i\omega t} e^{-i\omega t'}$$

and rearrange

$$f(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dt' f(t') \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\omega e^{i\omega(t-t')}$$

to get the following result in terms of the Dirac delta function

$$f(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dt' f(t') \delta(t' - t)$$

1.3 Dirac delta function

The Dirac delta function has the following property

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

so from the definition of Fourier transforms we can also say

$$\delta(t - t') = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\omega e^{i\omega(t-t')}$$

1.4 Examples

1.4.1 Real delta function

$$f(t) = \delta(t - t_0)$$

$$F(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} \delta(t - t_0)$$

$$F(\omega) = e^{i\omega t_0}$$

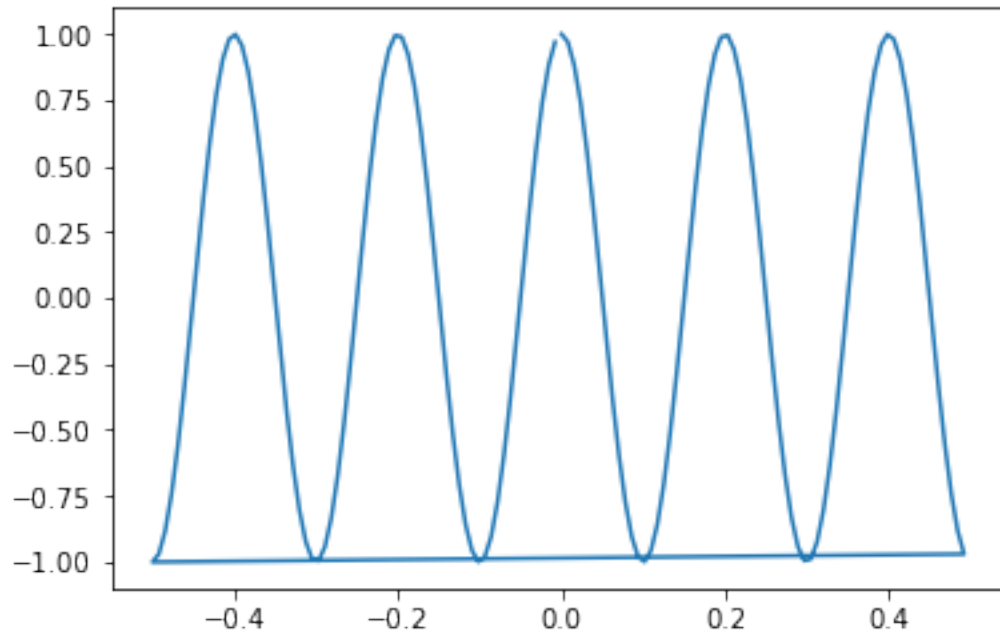
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In [2]: time = np.linspace(0, 1.0, 129)[0:-1]    # time scale

tfunc = np.zeros( len(time) )    # test function
tfunc[5] = 1.0                    # only a single frequency is non-zero

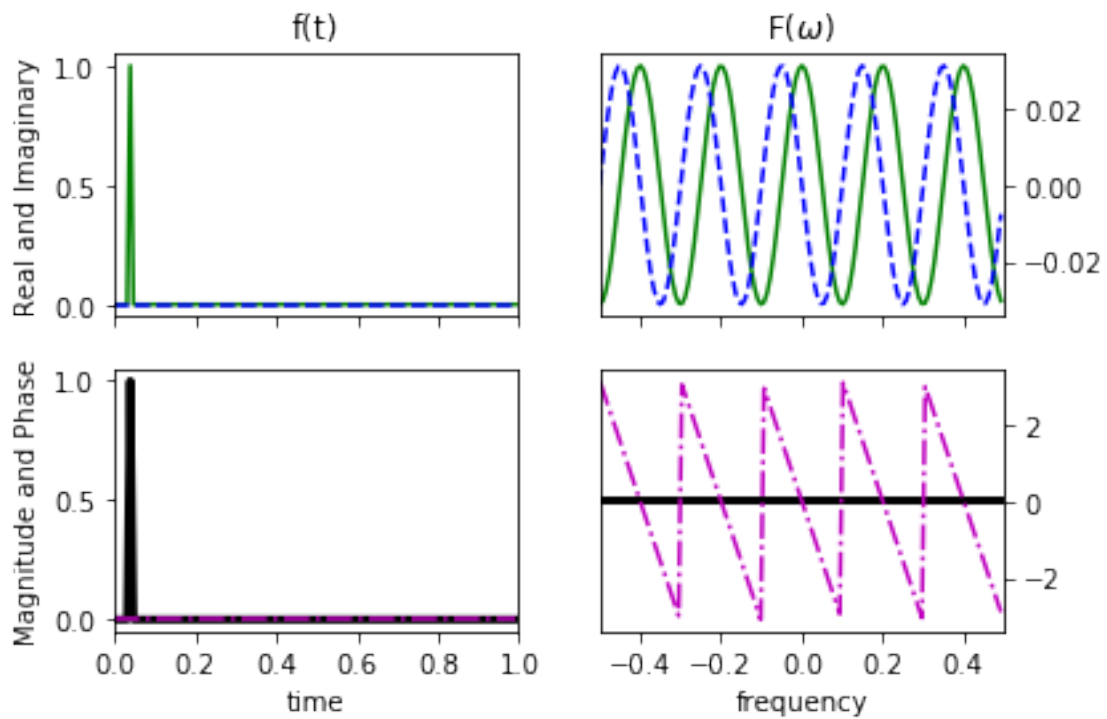
ffunc = np.fft.fft(tfunc)        # Fourier transform
freq = np.fft.fftfreq(len(tfunc)) # frequency scale
plt.plot(freq, ffunc)
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return array(a, dtype, copy=False, order=order)
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Out[2]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x7ff4cd0403c8>]
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In [3]: from fft_code import plot_fourier4    # top secret code
        plot_fourier4(tfunc, time)
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1.4.2 Task: Write a python function called “plot_fourier4(f,t)” to generate sets of 2x2 figures exactly as shown.

1.4.3 Complex harmonic

$$f(t) = e^{i\omega_0 t} = \cos(\omega_0 t) + i \sin(\omega_0 t)$$

$$F(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} e^{i\omega_0 t}$$

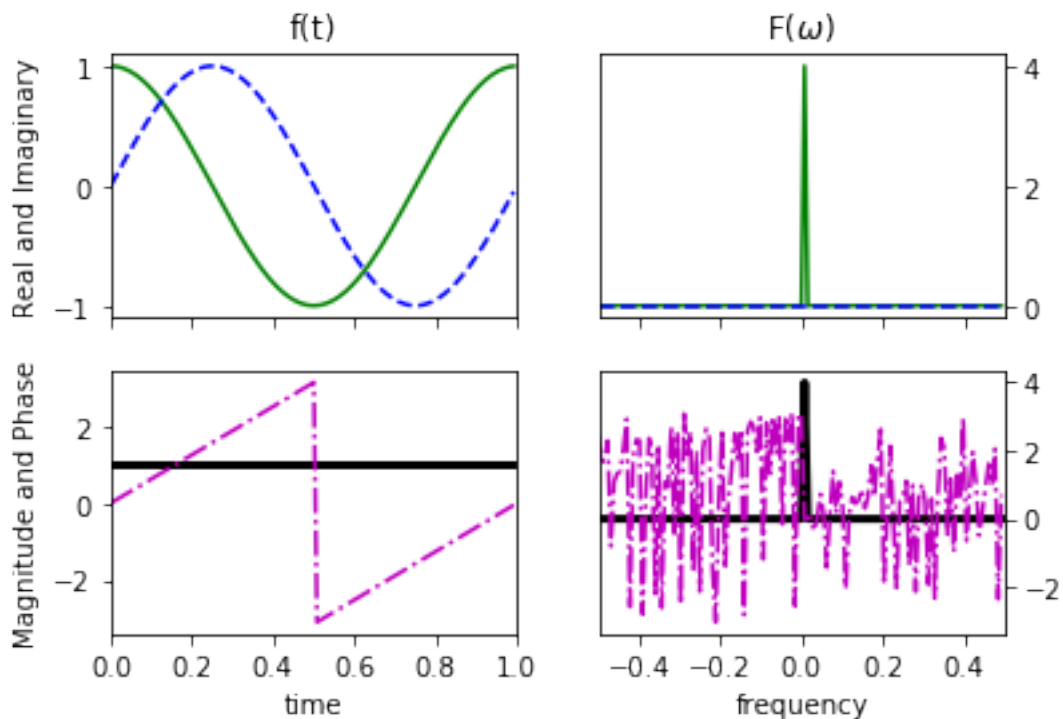
$$F(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dt e^{i(\omega_0 - \omega)t}$$

$$F(\omega) = \delta(\omega_0 - \omega)$$

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In [4]: from fft_code import plot_fourier4      # top secret code

time = np.linspace(0, 1.0, 129)[0:-1]
omega = 2*np.pi * 1.0
phi = 0.0
tfunc = np.exp(0+1j * omega*time + phi)      # $e^{i\omega t + \phi}$

plot_fourier4(tfunc, time)
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In [5]: # numerical precision makes the phase look noisy
#
ffunc = np.fft.fft(tfunc)
freq = np.fft.fftfreq(len(tfunc))
print(ffunc)

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1.43113702e-15	+1.25865047e-15j	1.32459412e-14	+1.83840726e-15j
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2.26192513e-16	+1.24189090e-15j	8.04760309e-15	+1.30473641e-15j
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1.4.4 Task: Calculate the Fourier transform $F(\omega)$ for each of the following functions

Constant

$$f(t) = C$$

Single spike at the origin

$$f(t) = \delta(t)$$

Two spikes at $\pm t_0$

$$f(t) = \delta(t - t_0) + \delta(t + t_0)$$

Cosine

$$f(t) = \cos(\omega_0 t)$$

Sine

$$f(t) = \sin(\omega_0 t)$$

Tophat

$$f(t) = 1 \quad \text{if} \quad -t_0 \leq t \leq +t_0 \quad \text{else} \quad 0$$

1.4.5 Task: change the time scale from

this set of 128 points

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time = np.linspace(0, 1.0, 129)[0:-1]
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to this very similar set of 128 points

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ttime = np.linspace(0, 1.0, 128)
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then generate a new complex harmonic and see how the FFT changes. Discuss.

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