
EE3210

Signals and Systems

Part 8: Discrete-Time Fourier Series



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Changes of Part6_v1 Lecture Notes


- Page 12, change
 - ... assume that the integral ...
to
 - ... assume that the summation ...

Changes of Part7_v1 Lecture Notes


- Pages 5–8 have been revised. The purpose is to show, in a more rigorous way, why we will obtain the same result for the analysis formula of the continuous-time Fourier series if the integration is performed over any interval of length T .

Changes of Part7_v1 Lecture Notes (cont.)

- Page 26, change the figure


$$x(t) = \frac{dg(t)}{dt}$$

to


$$g(t) = \frac{dx(t)}{dt}$$

Discrete-Time Periodic Complex Exponentials

- **In contrast to** continuous-time complex exponentials, a discrete-time complex exponential of the form $e^{j\Omega n}$ is periodic **only** if $|\Omega|/(2\pi)$ is a rational number.
 - The fundamental period N_0 of $e^{j\Omega n}$, if it is periodic, is $N_0 = 2\pi m/|\Omega|$ given that the pair of integers N_0 and m have no factors in common.
- A **harmonically related** set of discrete-time complex exponentials, all of which have a **common period** N with **fundamental frequency** $\Omega_0 = 2\pi/N$, is defined as

$$\phi_k[n] = e^{jk\Omega_0 n} = e^{jk(2\pi/N)n}, \quad k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots \quad (1)$$

Discrete-Time Periodic Complex Exponentials (cont.)

- Since

$$\phi_{k+N}[n] = e^{j(k+N)(2\pi/N)n} = e^{jk(2\pi/N)n} e^{j2\pi n} = \phi_k[n]$$

this implies that there are only N **distinct** members in the set $\phi_k[n]$ defined by (1).

- For example, $\phi_0[n] = 1$, $\phi_1[n] = e^{j2\pi n/N}$, ..., and $\phi_{N-1}[n] = e^{j2\pi(N-1)n/N}$ are all distinct. Any other $\phi_k[n]$ is identical to one of these (e.g., $\phi_N[n] = \phi_0[n]$).
- **Note:** This differs from the situation in continuous time in which we have an **infinite** number of harmonically related complex exponentials that are **all different** from one another.

Discrete-Time Periodic Complex Exponentials (cont.)

- Thus, in forming a linear combination of harmonically related discrete-time complex exponentials, we only need to consider a set of $\phi_k[n]$ over **any** range of N successive values of k , which is of the form

$$\sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k \phi_k[n] = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k e^{jk\Omega_0 n} = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k e^{jk(2\pi/N)n} \quad (2)$$

- **Note:** $\sum_{k=\langle N \rangle}$ is a shorthand notation, which has the

same effect as $\sum_{k=q}^{q+N-1}$ for any integer number q .

Fourier Series Representation of Discrete-Time Periodic Signals

- Consider a discrete-time periodic signal $x[n]$ with fundamental period $N_0 = N$.
- Assume $x[n]$ can be represented with the series of (2):

$$x[n] = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k e^{jk\Omega_0 n} = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k e^{jk(2\pi/N)n} \quad (3)$$

with fundamental frequency $\Omega_0 = 2\pi/N$.

- (3) is known as the **synthesis formula** of the discrete-time Fourier series.

Fourier Series Representation of Discrete-Time Periodic Signals (cont.)

- Now, we need a procedure for determining the **Fourier series coefficients** a_k in (3).
- Multiplying both sides of (3) by $e^{-jr\Omega_0 n}$ for an arbitrary integer r , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} x[n]e^{-jr\Omega_0 n} &= \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k e^{jk\Omega_0 n} e^{-jr\Omega_0 n} \\ &= \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k e^{j(k-r)\Omega_0 n} \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

Fourier Series Representation of Discrete-Time Periodic Signals (cont.)

- Summing both sides of (4) with the limits of the summation as $n = \langle N \rangle$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=\langle N \rangle} x[n] e^{-jr\Omega_0 n} &= \sum_{n=\langle N \rangle} \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k e^{j(k-r)\Omega_0 n} \\ &= \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k \sum_{n=\langle N \rangle} e^{j(k-r)\Omega_0 n} \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

Fourier Series Representation of Discrete-Time Periodic Signals (cont.)

- We observe in the right-hand side of (5) that, if r is chosen from the same range of N successive values as that over which k varies, then:

- For $k = r$, we have
$$\sum_{n=\langle N \rangle} e^{j(k-r)\Omega_0 n} = \sum_{n=q}^{q+N-1} 1 = N$$

- For $k \neq r$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=\langle N \rangle} e^{j(k-r)\Omega_0 n} &= \sum_{n=q}^{q+N-1} \left[e^{j(k-r)\Omega_0} \right]^n \\ &= \frac{e^{j(k-r)\Omega_0 q} \left[1 - e^{j(k-r)\Omega_0 N} \right]}{1 - e^{j(k-r)\Omega_0}} = \frac{e^{j(k-r)\Omega_0 q} \left[1 - e^{j(k-r)2\pi} \right]}{1 - e^{j(k-r)\Omega_0}} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Fourier Series Representation of Discrete-Time Periodic Signals (cont.)

■ Thus,

$$\sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k \sum_{n=\langle N \rangle} e^{j(k-r)\Omega_0 n} = a_r N \quad (6)$$

■ By (5) and (6), we obtain $\sum_{n=\langle N \rangle} x[n] e^{-jr\Omega_0 n} = a_r N$

and hence

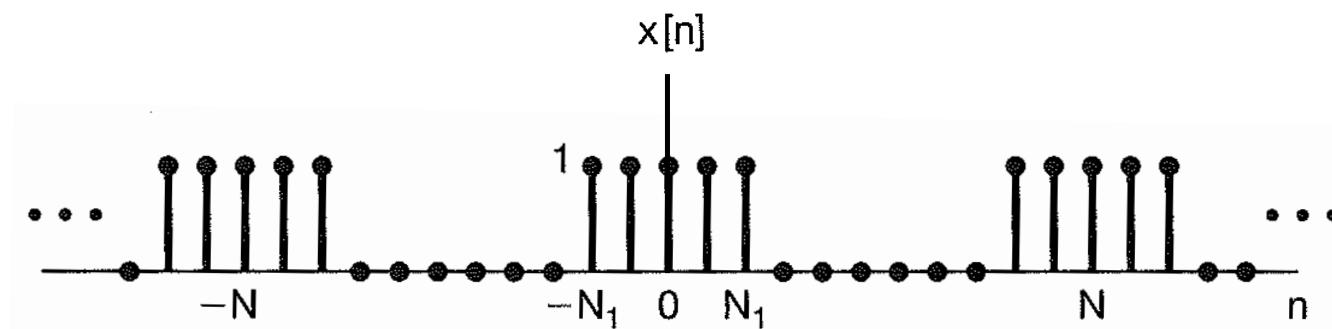
$$a_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=\langle N \rangle} x[n] e^{-jk\Omega_0 n} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=\langle N \rangle} x[n] e^{-jk(2\pi/N)n} \quad (7)$$

■ (7) is known as the **analysis formula** of the discrete-time Fourier series, and a_k is **periodic** with period N .

Convergence of Discrete-Time Fourier Series

- The Fourier series representation of a discrete-time periodic signal in (3) is a **finite** series.
- This is in contrast to the **infinite** series representation required for continuous-time periodic signals.
- As a consequence, there are **no** mathematical issues of convergence for discrete-time Fourier series.

An Example



- Consider the discrete-time periodic square wave $x[n]$ with fundamental period $N_0 = N$.
- The fundamental frequency of its Fourier series representation is $\Omega_0 = 2\pi/N$.
- Because $x[n] = 1$ for $-N_1 \leq n \leq N_1$, it is convenient to choose the limits of the summation in (7) to include the range $-N_1 \leq n \leq N_1$.

An Example (cont.)

- Then, in this case, we can express (7) as

$$a_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=-N_1}^{N_1} e^{-jk\Omega_0 n} \quad (8)$$

- Solving (8) for $k = 0$, we have

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=-N_1}^{N_1} 1 = \frac{2N_1 + 1}{N} \quad (9)$$

An Example (cont.)

- Solving (8) for $k \neq 0$ and letting $m = n + N_1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} a_k &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{m=0}^{2N_1} e^{-jk\Omega_0(m-N_1)} = \frac{1}{N} e^{jk\Omega_0 N_1} \sum_{m=0}^{2N_1} e^{-jk\Omega_0 m} \\ &= \frac{1}{N} e^{jk\Omega_0 N_1} \left[\frac{1 - e^{-jk\Omega_0(2N_1+1)}}{1 - e^{-jk\Omega_0}} \right] \\ &= \frac{e^{-jk\Omega_0/2} [e^{jk\Omega_0(N_1+1/2)} - e^{-jk\Omega_0(N_1+1/2)}]}{N e^{-jk\Omega_0/2} [e^{jk\Omega_0/2} - e^{-jk\Omega_0/2}]} \\ &= \frac{\sin[k\Omega_0(N_1 + 1/2)]}{N \sin(k\Omega_0/2)} = \frac{\sin[2k\pi(N_1 + 1/2)/N]}{N \sin(k\pi/N)} \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

Properties of Discrete-Time Fourier Series

- Here, we will describe several important properties, including: 1) **linearity**, 2) **time shift**, 3) **time reversal**, 4) **multiplication**, 5) **first difference**, and 6) **Parseval's relation**.
- A summary of these and other important properties of discrete-time Fourier series can be found in Table 3.2 on Page 223 of the textbook.
- For notational convenience, we will use $x[n] \leftrightarrow a_k$ to indicate the relationship between a periodic signal $x[n]$ and its Fourier series coefficients a_k .

Linearity

- Given that $x[n]$ and $y[n]$ are both periodic with period N and that $x[n] \leftrightarrow a_k$, $y[n] \leftrightarrow b_k$, then $Ax[n] + By[n]$ is also periodic with period N and

$$Ax[n] + By[n] \leftrightarrow Aa_k + Bb_k$$

where A and B are arbitrary constants.

Time Shift

- Given that $x[n]$ is periodic with period N and that $x[n] \leftrightarrow a_k$, then $x[n - n_0]$ is also periodic with period N and

$$x[n - n_0] \leftrightarrow \left[e^{-jk(2\pi/N)n_0} \right] a_k$$

Time Reversal

- Given that $x[n]$ is periodic with period N and that $x[n] \leftrightarrow a_k$, then $x[-n]$ is also periodic with period N and

$$x[-n] \leftrightarrow a_{-k}$$

- Thus:

- If $x[n]$ is even, i.e., $x[-n] = x[n]$, then its Fourier series coefficients are also even, i.e., $a_{-k} = a_k$.
- If $x[n]$ is odd, i.e., $x[-n] = -x[n]$, then its Fourier series coefficients are also odd, i.e., $a_{-k} = -a_k$.

Multiplication

- Given that $x[n]$ and $y[n]$ are both periodic with period N and that $x[n] \leftrightarrow a_k$, $y[n] \leftrightarrow b_k$, then the product $x[n]y[n]$ is also periodic with period N and the Fourier series coefficients h_k of $x[n]y[n]$ can be obtained as

$$h_k = \sum_{l=\langle N \rangle} a_l b_{k-l}$$

First Difference

- Given that $x[n]$ is periodic with period N and that $x[n] \leftrightarrow a_k$, then $x[n] - x[n-1]$ is also periodic with period N and

$$x[n] - x[n-1] \leftrightarrow \left[1 - e^{-jk(2\pi/N)}\right] a_k$$

Parseval's Relation

- Given that $x[n]$ is periodic with period N and that $x[n] \leftrightarrow a_k$, then Parseval's relation states that

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=\langle N \rangle} |x[n]|^2 = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} |a_k|^2$$

- Also, we have

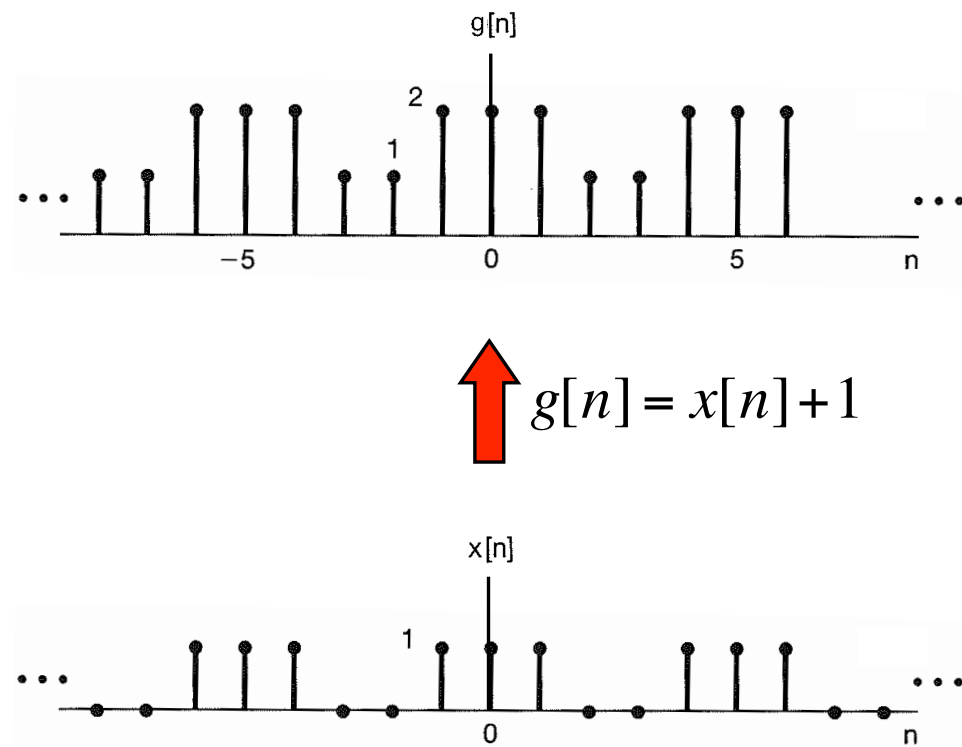
$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=\langle N \rangle} |a_k e^{jk\Omega_0 n}|^2 = |a_k|^2$$

- Thus, the total average power in $x[n]$ equals the sum of the average powers in all of its harmonic components.

An Example

- Consider the signal $g[n]$ with period $N = 5$.
- Recall the discrete-time periodic square wave $x[n]$ discussed on pages 13–15 with $N = 5$ and $N_1 = 1$.
- It is clear that $g[n]$ can be obtained from $x[n]$ as

$$g[n] = x[n] + 1$$



An Example (cont.)

- Using the results of (9) and (10) on pages 14–15, we have in this case the Fourier series coefficients a_k of $x[n]$ as

$$a_k = \begin{cases} 3/5, & k = 0 \\ \frac{\sin(3k\pi/5)}{5 \sin(k\pi/5)}, & k = 1, 2, 3, 4 \end{cases}$$

- The Fourier series coefficients b_k of the constant 1 are simply

$$b_k = \begin{cases} 1, & k = 0 \\ 0, & k = 1, 2, 3, 4 \end{cases}$$

An Example (cont.)

- Applying the **linearity** property, the Fourier series coefficients c_k of $g[n]$ can be expressed as

$$c_k = a_k + b_k = \begin{cases} 8/5, & k = 0 \\ \frac{\sin(3k\pi/5)}{5 \sin(k\pi/5)}, & k = 1, 2, 3, 4 \end{cases}$$