

Signal Processing

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1 Fourier transform

1.1 Definitions

If $f(t)$ is a function of time, then $F(\omega)$ is its Fourier transform $f(t) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} F(\omega)$ and spectral density if:

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

Inverse transform $F(\omega) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}^{-1}} f(t)$:

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

1.2 Properties

Linearity Follows from the linearity of the integration:

$$af(t) + bg(t) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} aF(\omega) + bG(\omega)$$

Scaling Wider in time - narrower in frequency. Follows from the change of variables:

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(at) &\xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \frac{1}{|a|} F\left(\frac{\omega}{a}\right) \\
 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(at) e^{-i\omega t} dt &= \\
 &= \left| u = at; dt = \frac{1}{a} du; \text{change of limits} \rightarrow \text{absolute value of } a \right| = \\
 &= \frac{1}{|a|} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) e^{-i\frac{\omega}{a}u} du = \\
 &= \frac{1}{|a|} F\left(\frac{\omega}{a}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Time shift Shift in time - phase shift in frequency. Follows from the change of variables:

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(t - t_0) &\xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} e^{-i\omega t_0} F(\omega) \\
 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t - t_0) e^{-i\omega t} dt &= |u = t - t_0| = \\
 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) e^{-i\omega u - i\omega t_0} du = \\
 &= e^{-i\omega t_0} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) e^{-i\omega u} du = e^{-i\omega t_0} F(\omega)
 \end{aligned}$$

Differentiation Derivative in time - multiplication by $i\omega$ in frequency. Useful property for solving differential equations as it transforms differential equations

into algebraic. Follows from the inverse transform:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{df(t)}{dt} &\xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} i\omega F(\omega) \\
\frac{df(t)}{dt} &= \frac{d}{dt} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(\omega) e^{i\omega t} d\omega = \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(\omega) \frac{de^{i\omega t}}{dt} d\omega = \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [i\omega F(\omega)] e^{i\omega t} d\omega
\end{aligned}$$

Convolution Convolution in time - multiplication in frequency. Useful in working with Linear Time Invariant systems, discretization, optics etc. Effect of the LTI systems is described as a convolution of the input signal with its impulse response. Follows from the changing the order of integration:

$$f(t) * g(t) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau) g(t - \tau) d\tau e^{-i\omega t} dt =$$

Symmetry Follows from the definitions:

$$\begin{aligned}
f(t) &\xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} F(\omega) \\
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\end{aligned}$$

Multiplication Multiplication in time - convolution in frequency. Follows from the symmetry:

$$f(t)g(t) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} F(\omega) * G(\omega)$$

Integration Reverse of the differentiation. The term with Dirac delta function takes care of the constant of integration with a constant in time part of the function.

$$\int_{-\infty}^t f(\tau) d\tau \xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \frac{F(\omega)}{i\omega} + \frac{1}{2} F(0) \delta(t)$$

Modulation Multiplication with a sine wave in time - shift in frequency. Basis of AM modulation. Follows from the time-shift and symmetry:

$$e^{i\omega_0 t} f(t) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} F(\omega - \omega_0)$$

Conjugate signal

$$f^*(t) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} F^*(-\omega)$$

1.3 Important functions

Dirac delta function

sin and cos

rect

sinc

Grid of delta functions

1.4 Fourier series

Functions $e^{in\omega t}$ for $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ form an orthonormal basis in Hilbert space. So Fourier transform is a basis expansion of a $f(t)$ function. And in Fourier series coefficients are the inner products of a $f(t)$ with basis functions. Fourier series expansion is:

$$f(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{in\omega t}, \text{ where}$$
$$c_n = \langle f(t), e^{in\omega t} \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{-in\omega t} dt$$

2 Nyquist-Shannon-Kotelnikov theorem

Paraphrased from [1, 2, 3]:

Any function $f(t)$ consisting of frequencies from 0 to f_1 (band-limited) can be reconstructed with arbitrary accuracy from discrete samples at intervals of no higher than $\frac{1}{2f_1}$.

3 Signal energy

Factor of $\frac{1}{2\pi}$ is required for the normalization and holding of Plancherel's theorem for energy relation.

4 Definitions

Complex numbers:

$$\begin{aligned}z &= a + ib = re^{i\phi} \\ z^* &= a - ib \\ |z|^2 &= zz^* = a^2 + b^2\end{aligned}$$

Inner product of complex functions:

$$\langle f(t), g(t) \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t)g^*(t)dx$$

Convolution:

$$f(t) * g(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau)g(t - \tau)d\tau$$

Dirac delta function:

$$\delta(t) = \begin{cases} \infty, & \text{if } t = 0; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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