

# Algorithms and Data Structures



**COMP261**

**Fast Fourier Transform 1**

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# Outline

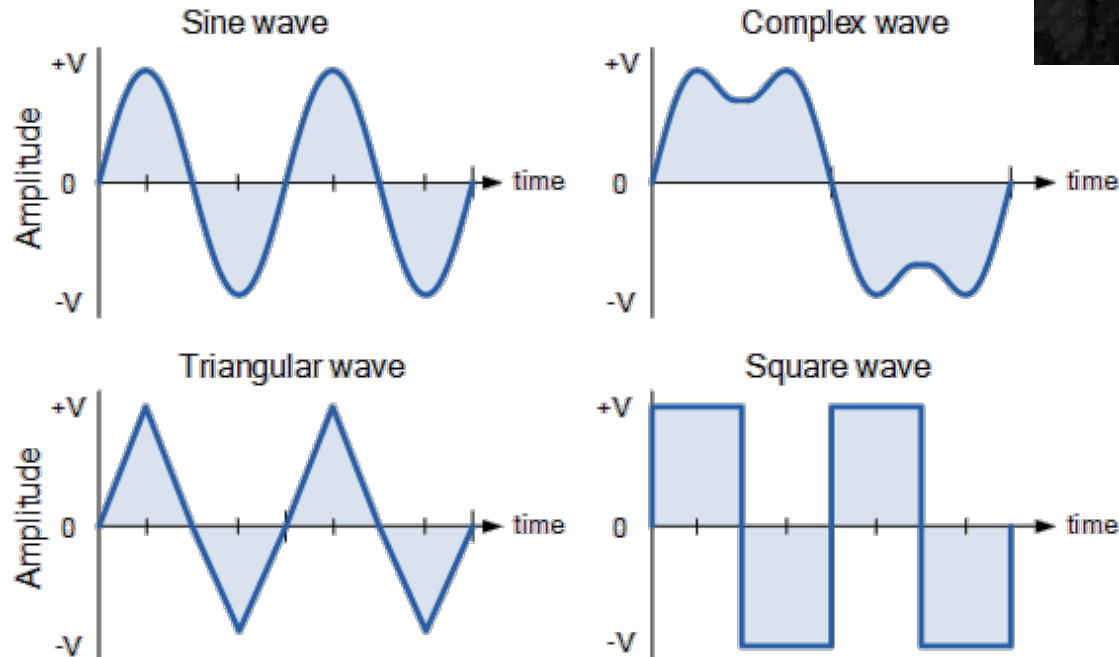
- Waveform (Signal) processing
- Fourier Series (Periodic waveform)
  - Real numbers
  - Complex numbers
- Fourier Transform (General waveform)
- Discrete Fourier Transforms

# Waveform Processing

- Virtually **everything** in the world can be described via a waveform
  - Sound waves
  - Electromagnetic fields
  - Stock price series

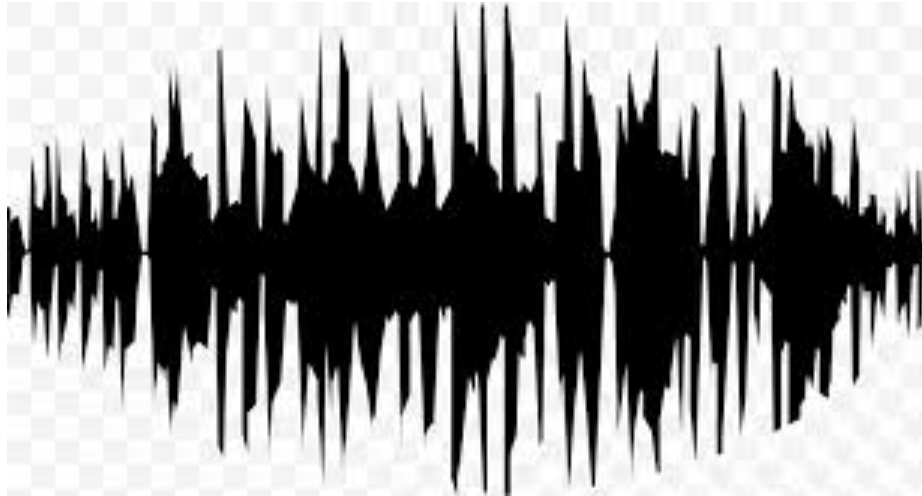


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# Waveform Processing

- Two representations



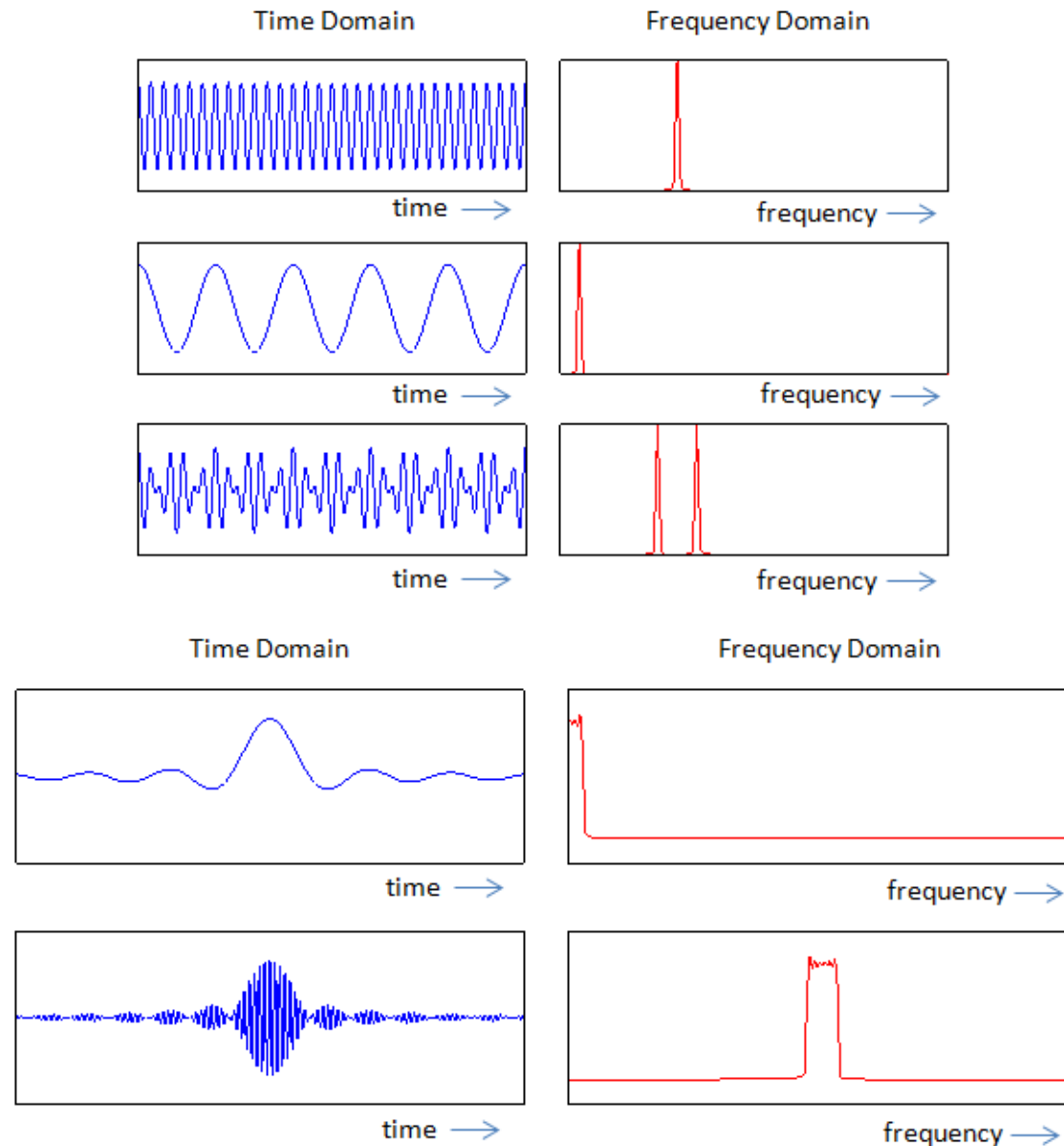
**Time domain**



**Frequency domain**

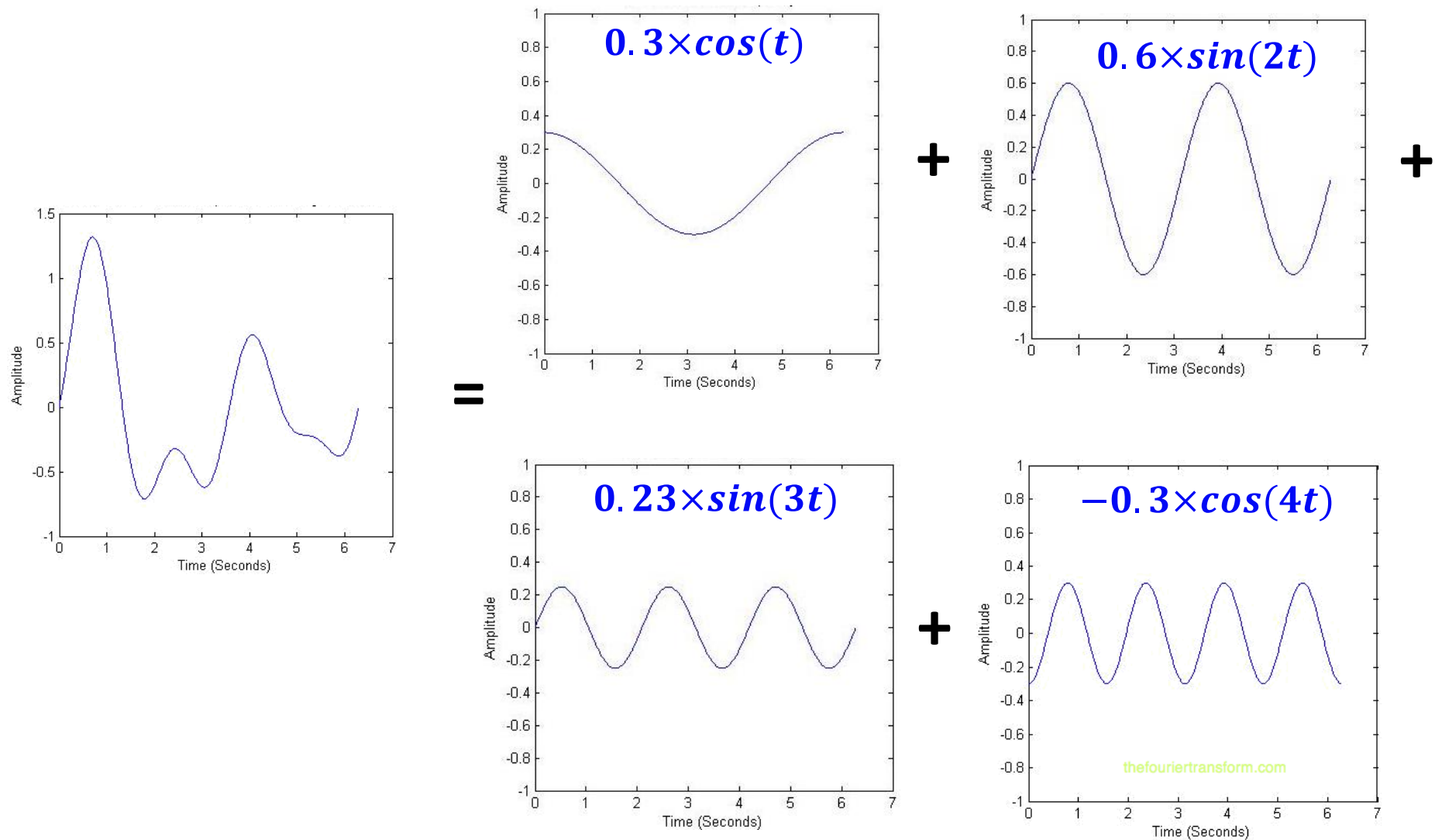
# Waveform Processing

- Time domain = Frequency domain
  - **Fourier Transform**



# Fourier Transform

- **Any** waveform can be decomposed into a number of sinusoids (sine/cosine functions)



# Coefficient Calculation

- If we know the waveform has a period of  $T$

**Fourier series:** 
$$f(t) = a_0 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} a_m \cos\left(m \times t \times \frac{2\pi}{T}\right) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(n \times t \times \frac{2\pi}{T}\right)$$

**Coefficient  
(average):** 
$$a_0 = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T f(t) dt$$

**Coefficient  
(correlation):** 
$$a_m = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T f(t) \cos\left(mt \frac{2\pi}{T}\right) dt$$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T f(t) \sin\left(nt \frac{2\pi}{T}\right) dt$$

# A Better Representation

- Complex number

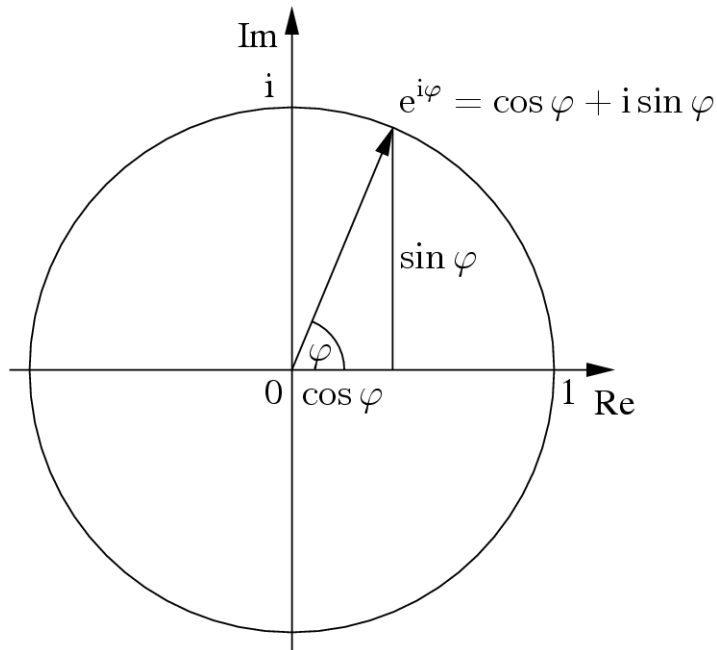
- $x = x.Re + i * x.Im$  (Re = real part, Im = imaginary part)

- $i = \sqrt{-1}$  ( $i^2 = -1$ )

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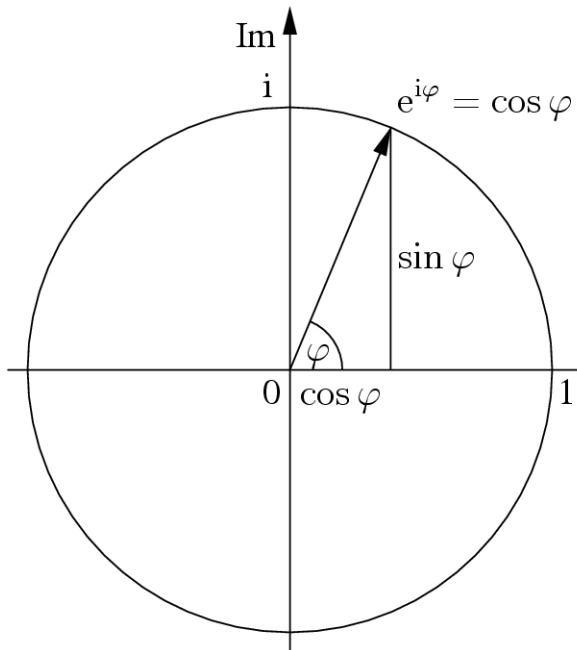
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- Rewrite into complex number

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**Euler formula:**  $e^{it} = \cos t + i \cdot \sin t$



$$f(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{i \cdot n \cdot t \cdot \frac{2\pi}{T}}$$
$$c_n = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T f(t) e^{-i \cdot n \cdot t \cdot \frac{2\pi}{T}} dt$$

# General Fourier Transform

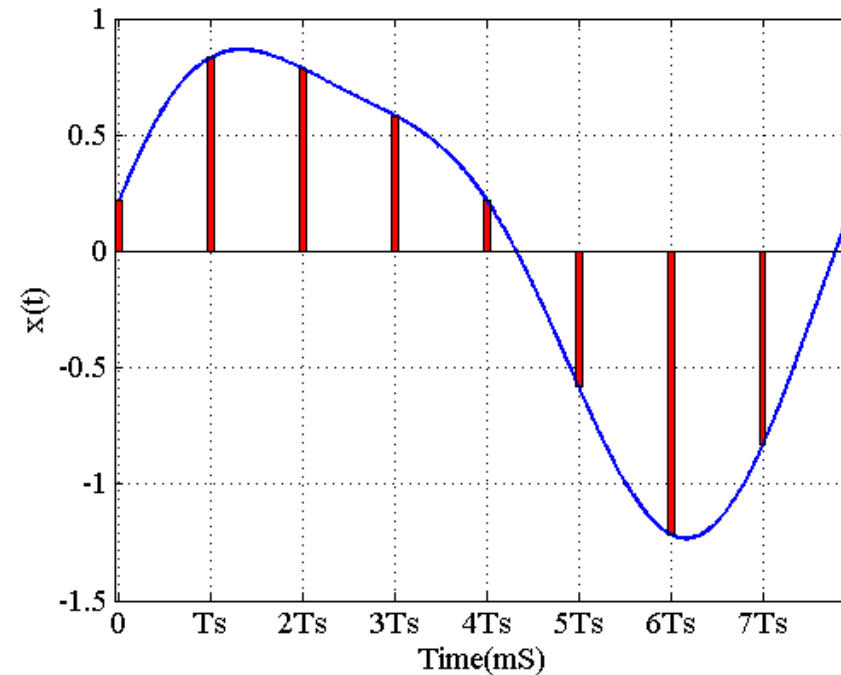
- If we don't know the period (or non-periodic)
  - Infinite period:  $T \rightarrow \infty$
  - Use frequency  $\omega$  rather than period, so  $\omega$  can be 0

**Fourier transform:** 
$$f(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(\omega) e^{i*\omega*t} d\omega$$

**Inverse Fourier transform:** 
$$F(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{-i*\omega*t} dt$$

# Discrete Fourier Transform

- Everything in computer is discrete
- Sample signals at a certain frequency
  - E.g. Every  $T$  seconds
  - Frequency  $f = \frac{1}{T}$



n	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
x(n)	0.2165	0.8321	0.7835	0.5821	0.2165	-0.5821	-1.2165	-0.8321

# Discrete Fourier Transform

- Given a discrete sequence with  $N$  samples  
 $[x(0), x(1), \dots, x(N - 1)]$
- Time  $\rightarrow$  Frequency (Discrete-Time Fourier Transform)

$$X(k) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n) e^{-i * n * k * \frac{2\pi}{N}}, k = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$$

- Frequency  $\rightarrow$  Time (Discrete Fourier Transform)

$$x(n) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X(k) e^{i * n * k * \frac{2\pi}{N}}, n = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$$

# Summary

- Fourier Series (periodic continuous)
- Complex number representation
- Non-periodic – general series
- Discrete Fourier Transform