

EE120 - Fall'19 - Lecture 8 Notes¹

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Continuous Time Fourier Transform (CTFT) Continued

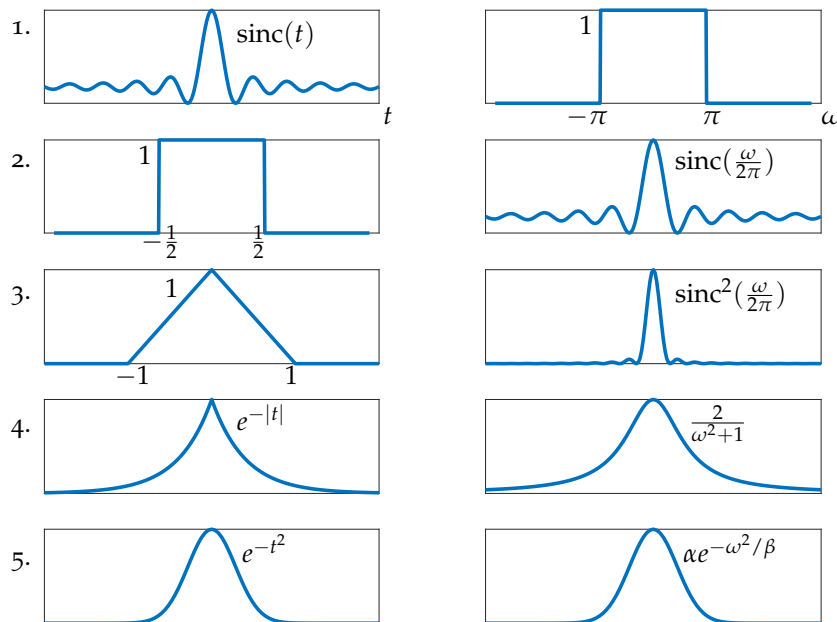
Convergence of the Fourier Integral

The theorem below provides a (simple but conservative) sufficient condition for the Fourier Transform to exist.

Theorem. If $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)| dt < \infty$ then $X(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)e^{-j\omega t} dt$ exists and is continuous. In addition $X(\omega) \rightarrow 0$ as $\omega \rightarrow \pm\infty$.

In Examples 2,3,4,5 below $x(t)$ satisfies the absolute integrability condition $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)| dt < \infty$ and $X(\omega)$ has the properties stated in the Theorem. By contrast, $x(t) = \text{sinc}(t)$ in Example 1 is not absolutely integrable². Nevertheless the integral $X(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)e^{-j\omega t} dt$ converges. We will not prove this here, but we use this example to point out that the absolute integrability is only sufficient and not necessary.

² To see this assume to the contrary that it is absolutely integrable. Then the theorem states that $X(\omega)$ is continuous, which is a contradiction since $X(\omega)$ has jump discontinuities at $\omega \pm \pi$.



For other signals such, as $x(t) = 1$ or $x(t) = \cos(\omega_0 t)$, the Fourier integral does not converge; therefore, the Fourier Transform does not exist in the strict sense. However, a generalized³ notion of Fourier Transform allows us to define Fourier Transforms for these functions

³ This generalization is based on the [Theory of Distributions](#) which I will discuss briefly in class.

using the Dirac δ , which we called the unit impulse in Lecture 2 and defined as the limit of a sequence of functions⁴.

In particular

$$x(t) = 1 \quad \xleftrightarrow{FT} \quad X(\omega) = 2\pi\delta(\omega) \quad (1)$$

which we justify with the synthesis equation

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} 2\pi\delta(\omega)e^{j\omega t} d\omega = 1.$$

The dual to this pair is

$$x(t) = \delta(t) \quad \xleftrightarrow{FT} \quad X(\omega) = 1, \quad (2)$$

as justified with the analysis equation:

$$X(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t)e^{-j\omega t} dt = 1.$$

A generalization of (1) gives:

$$x(t) = e^{j\omega_0 t} \quad \xleftrightarrow{FT} \quad X(\omega) = 2\pi\delta(\omega - \omega_0) \quad (3)$$

which can be justified with the synthesis equation

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} 2\pi\delta(\omega - \omega_0)e^{j\omega t} d\omega = e^{j\omega_0 t}.$$

When $\omega_0 = 0$ we recover (1).

Fourier Transform of Periodic Signals

Section 4.2 in Oppenheim & Willsky

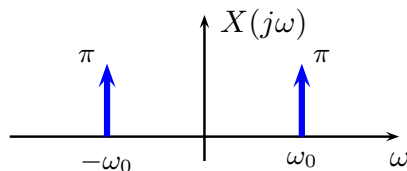
Using (3) and linearity, we can now define a generalized Fourier Transform for periodic signals expressed as Fourier Series:

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t} \quad \xleftrightarrow{FT} \quad \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2\pi a_k \delta(\omega - k\omega_0) \quad (4)$$

Example:

$$x(t) = \cos(\omega_0 t) = \frac{1}{2}e^{j\omega_0 t} + \frac{1}{2}e^{-j\omega_0 t}$$

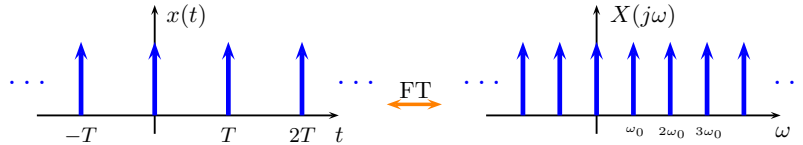
$$X(j\omega) = \pi\delta(\omega - \omega_0) + \pi\delta(\omega + \omega_0)$$



⁴ The limit is not a function in the strict sense but well defined as a distribution, as I will also discuss in class.

Example: Impulse Train

$$\begin{aligned}
 x(t) &= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - kT) \\
 a_k &= \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} \delta(t) e^{-jk\omega_0 t} dt = \frac{1}{T} \text{ for all } k \\
 X(j\omega) &= \frac{2\pi}{T} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(\omega - k\omega_0)
 \end{aligned}$$

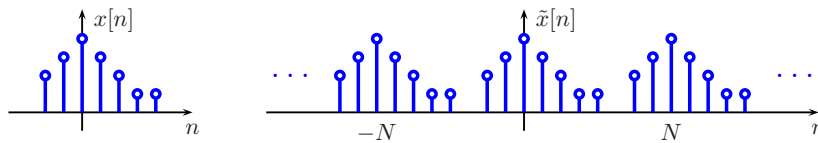
*Discrete Time Fourier Transform (DTFT)*

Chapter 5 in Oppenheim & Willsky

The discrete-time Fourier Transform (DTFT) is defined as:

$$X(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n] e^{-j\omega n}. \quad (5)$$

This definition is applicable to aperiodic signals and is motivated by arguments similar to those for the continuous-time Fourier Transform: for an aperiodic signal x of finite duration, construct periodic sequence \tilde{x} of which x comprises one period, as shown below.

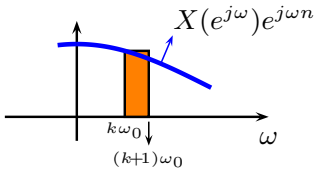


Then, from the analysis equation for Fourier Series,

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_k &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=\langle N \rangle} \tilde{x}[n] e^{-jk \frac{2\pi}{N} n} \\
 Na_k &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n] e^{-jk \frac{2\pi}{N} n} = X(e^{j\omega}) \Big|_{\omega=k \frac{2\pi}{N}}
 \end{aligned}$$

which means that $X(e^{j\omega})$ in (5) forms an envelope for the coefficients Na_k . As N increases, the fundamental frequency $\omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{N}$ decreases and the harmonic components become closer in frequency, forming a continuum in the limit $N \rightarrow \infty$ that motivates the definition (5).

Similarly, the synthesis equation for Fourier Series gives

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{x}[n] &= \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k e^{jk \frac{2\pi}{N} n} = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} \frac{1}{N} X(e^{jk\omega_0}) e^{jk\omega_0 n} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} \underbrace{\frac{2\pi}{N}}_{=\omega_0} X(e^{jk\omega_0}) e^{jk\omega_0 n}\end{aligned}$$


Thus, as $N \rightarrow \infty$, the summation recovers $\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{2\pi} X(e^{j\omega}) e^{j\omega n} d\omega$. To summarize:

$x[n] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{2\pi} X(e^{j\omega}) e^{j\omega n} d\omega \quad (\text{Synthesis Equation})$	(6)
$X(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n] e^{-j\omega n} \quad (\text{Analysis Equation})$	

Recall that in continuous time:

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(j\omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega, \quad X(j\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt.$$

The main difference in discrete time is that $X(e^{j\omega})$ is periodic:

$$X(e^{j(\omega+2\pi)}) = X(e^{j\omega})$$

and the synthesis equation in (6) requires integration over one period.

A result analogous to the theorem on page 1 guarantees convergence of the analysis equation in (6) when

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |x[n]| < \infty.$$

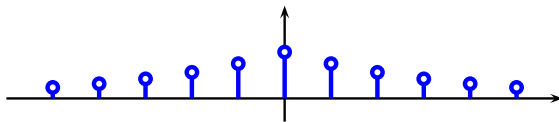
Examples:

1) For $x_1[n] = \delta[n]$, $X_1(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta[n] e^{-j\omega n} = 1$.

2) For $x_2[n] = a^n u[n]$, $|a| < 1$,

$$X_2(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a^n e^{-j\omega n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (ae^{-j\omega})^n = \frac{1}{1 - ae^{-j\omega}}$$

3) Now let $x[n] = a^{|n|}$, $|a| < 1$, which is depicted below:



Note that $x[n] = x_2[n] + x_2[-n] - x_1[n]$ where x_1 and x_2 are the signals in Examples 1 and 2, and the time reversal property (13) below states $x_2[-n] \longleftrightarrow X_2(e^{-j\omega})$. Thus, from linearity,

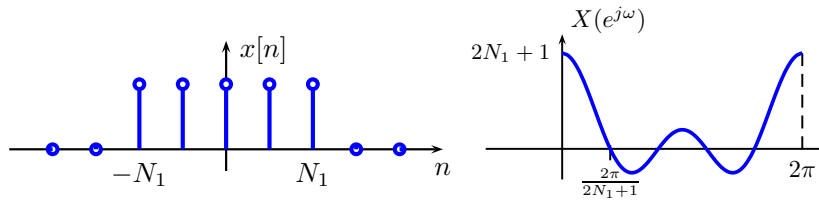
$$\begin{aligned} X(e^{j\omega}) &= \frac{1}{1 - ae^{-j\omega}} + \frac{1}{1 - ae^{j\omega}} - 1 \\ &= \frac{2 - a(e^{j\omega} + e^{-j\omega})}{1 - a(e^{j\omega} + e^{-j\omega}) + a^2} - 1 \\ &= \frac{2 - 2a \cos \omega}{1 - 2a \cos \omega + a^2} - 1 = \frac{1 - a^2}{1 + a^2 - 2a \cos \omega}. \end{aligned}$$

4)

$$x[n] = \begin{cases} 1 & |n| \leq N_1 \\ 0 & |n| > N_1 \end{cases}$$

$$X(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n=-N_1}^{N_1} e^{-j\omega n} = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin(\omega(N_1+1/2))}{\sin(\omega/2)} & \omega \neq 0, \\ 2N_1 + 1 & \omega = 0. \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

The derivation of (7) is similar to an example on page 2 of Lecture 3 notes.



Fourier Transform of Periodic Signals

Section 5.2 in Oppenheim & Willsky

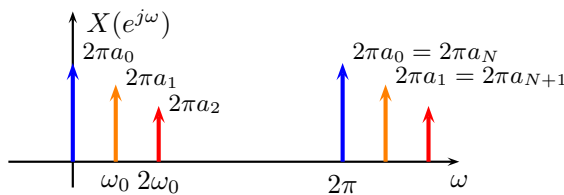
The following (generalized) Fourier Transform pairs are analogous to (1) and (3) in continuous time:

$$x[n] = 1 \leftrightarrow X(e^{j\omega}) = 2\pi \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(\omega - 2\pi l) \quad (8)$$

$$x[n] = e^{j\omega_0 n} \leftrightarrow X(e^{j\omega}) = 2\pi \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(\omega - \omega_0 - 2\pi l) \quad (9)$$

Using (9) and linearity, the Fourier Series of a periodic signal can be represented as a generalized Fourier Transform:

$$x[n] = \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} a_k e^{jk \frac{2\pi}{N} n} \leftrightarrow X(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2\pi a_k \delta\left(\omega - \frac{2\pi}{N} k\right) \quad (10)$$



Properties of DTFT

Section 5.3 in Oppenheim & Willsky

Time Shift:

$$x[n - n_0] \longleftrightarrow e^{-j\omega n_0} X(e^{j\omega}) \quad (11)$$

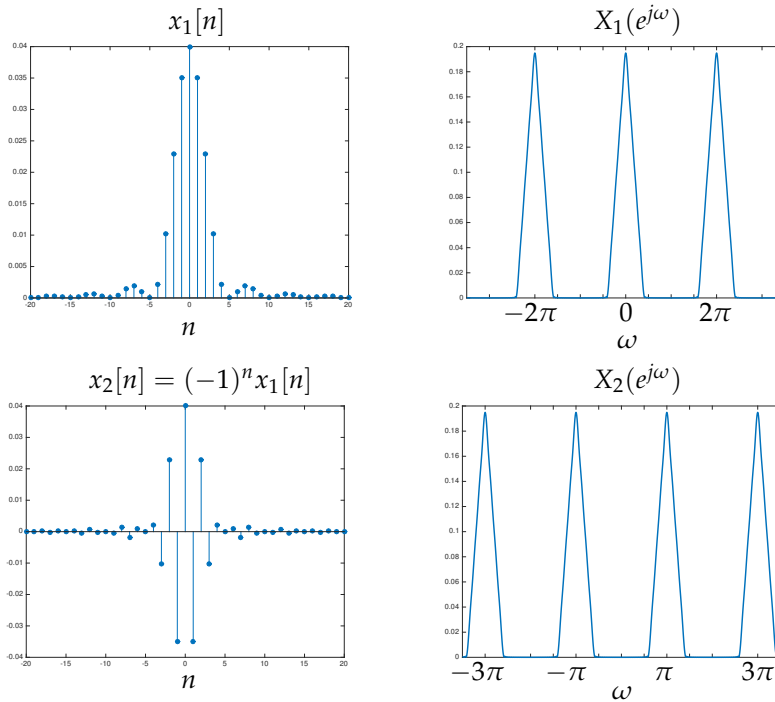
Frequency Shift:

$$e^{j\omega_0 n} x[n] \longleftrightarrow X(e^{j(\omega - \omega_0)}) \quad (12)$$

As a special case let $\omega_0 = \pi$ and note that $e^{j\pi n} = (-1)^n$. Thus,

$$x_2[n] = (-1)^n x_1[n] \Rightarrow X_2(e^{j\omega}) = X_1(e^{j(\omega - \pi)}).$$

The figure below illustrates this with an example where $x_1[n]$ and $X_1(e^{j\omega})$ are shown at the top, and $x_2[n] = (-1)^n x_1[n]$ and $X_2(e^{j\omega})$ are at the bottom. Note that $X_1(e^{j\omega})$ is concentrated around $\omega = 0, \pm 2\pi, \dots$ and $X_2(e^{j\omega})$ is concentrated around $\omega = \pm\pi, \pm 3\pi, \dots$.



Example: Suppose a low-pass filter $H_{LP}(e^{j\omega})$ has been designed with impulse response $h_{LP}[n]$. To obtain a high-pass filter, let:

$$\begin{aligned} H_{HP}(e^{j\omega}) &= H_{LP}(e^{j(\omega - \pi)}) \\ h_{HP}[n] &= (-1)^n h_{LP}[n]. \end{aligned}$$

Time Reversal:

$$x[-n] \longleftrightarrow X(e^{-j\omega}) \quad (13)$$