

# Fourier Transformation

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## 1 Discrete Fourier Transform 1D

Fourier transform:

$$\hat{f}_k = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f_n \cdot e^{-i2\pi k \frac{n}{N}}$$

In the case that the original signal ( $f_n$ ) is real:

$$\hat{f}_k = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f_n \left[ \cos\left(2\pi k \frac{n}{N}\right) - i \sin\left(2\pi k \frac{n}{N}\right) \right]$$

$$Re(\hat{f}_k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f_n \cdot \cos\left(2\pi k \frac{n}{N}\right)$$

$$Im(\hat{f}_k) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f_n \cdot \sin\left(2\pi k \frac{n}{N}\right)$$

Inverse Fourier transform:

$$f_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \hat{f}_k \cdot e^{i2\pi k \frac{n}{N}}$$

In the case that the original signal ( $f_n$ ) is real:

$$f_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \hat{f}_k \left[ \cos\left(2\pi k \frac{n}{N}\right) + i \sin\left(2\pi k \frac{n}{N}\right) \right]$$

$$f_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \left[ Re(\hat{f}_k) + i Im(\hat{f}_k) \right] \left[ \cos\left(2\pi k \frac{n}{N}\right) + i \sin\left(2\pi k \frac{n}{N}\right) \right]$$

$$f_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \left[ Re(\hat{f}_k) \cos\left(2\pi k \frac{n}{N}\right) - Im(\hat{f}_k) \sin\left(2\pi k \frac{n}{N}\right) \right]$$

Amplitude:

$$|\hat{f}_k| = \sqrt{Re(\hat{f}_k)^2 + Im(\hat{f}_k)^2}$$

Phase:

$$arg(\hat{f}_k) = atan2(Im(\hat{f}_k), Re(\hat{f}_k))$$

## 2 Discrete Fourier Transform 2D

Fourier transform:

$$\hat{f}_{x,y} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{MN}} \sum_{u=0}^{M-1} \sum_{v=0}^{N-1} f_{u,v} \cdot e^{-i2\pi(\frac{xu}{M} + \frac{yv}{N})}$$

$$\hat{f}_{x,y} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{MN}} \sum_{u=0}^{M-1} e^{-i2\pi \frac{xu}{M}} \cdot \left( \sum_{v=0}^{N-1} f_{u,v} \cdot e^{-i2\pi \frac{yv}{N}} \right)$$

Let  $P(u, y) = \sum_{v=0}^{N-1} f_{u,v} \cdot e^{-i2\pi \frac{yv}{N}}$ . Then:

$$\hat{f}_{x,y} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{MN}} \sum_{u=0}^{M-1} e^{-i2\pi \frac{xu}{M}} \cdot P(u, y)$$

Inverse Fourier transform:

$$f_{u,v} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{MN}} \sum_{x=0}^{M-1} \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} \hat{f}_{x,y} \cdot e^{i2\pi(\frac{xu}{M} + \frac{yv}{N})}$$

$$f_{u,v} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{MN}} \sum_{x=0}^{M-1} e^{i2\pi \frac{xu}{M}} \cdot \left( \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} \hat{f}_{x,y} \cdot e^{i2\pi \frac{yv}{N}} \right)$$

Let  $H(x, v) = \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} \hat{f}_{x,y} \cdot e^{i2\pi \frac{yv}{N}}$ . Then:

$$f_{u,v} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{MN}} \sum_{x=0}^{M-1} e^{i2\pi \frac{xu}{M}} \cdot H(x, v)$$

The Fourier image (to visualize amplitudes or phases) is shifted in such a way that the value (image mean)  $\hat{f}(0,0)$  is displayed in the center of the image. The further way from the center an image point is, the higher is its corresponding frequency. The dynamic range of the Fourier coefficients (for example, the intensity values in the Fourier image) is too large to be displayed on the screen, therefore all other values appear as black. We need to apply a logarithmic transformation to the image as follows:

$$Q(i, j) = c \log(1 + |P(i, j)|)$$

where  $P(i, j)$  is the original image, and  $Q(i, j)$  is the transformed image. The scaling constant  $c$  is chosen so that the maximum output value is 255 (providing an 8-bit format). That means if  $R$  is the value with the maximum magnitude in the input image,  $c$  is given by:

$$c = \frac{255}{\log(1 + |R|)}$$

### 3 Fast Fourier Transform 1D

Cooley-Tukey FFT algorithm was invented by Carl Friedrich Gauss and then rediscovered by Cooley and Tukey (the radix-2 Decimation In Time or DIT case). DFT is defined by the formula:

$$\hat{f}_k = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f_n \cdot e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{N} nk} \quad \text{as } k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$$

Radix-2 DIT first computes the DFTs of the even-indexed inputs ( $f_{2m} = f_0, f_2, \dots, f_{N-2}$ ) and of the odd-indexed inputs ( $f_{2m+1} = f_1, f_3, \dots, f_{N-1}$ ) and then combines those two results to produce the DFT of the whole sequence:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{f}_k &= \sum_{m=0}^{N/2-1} f_{2m} \cdot e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{N} (2m)k} + \sum_{m=0}^{N/2-1} f_{2m+1} \cdot e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{N} (2m+1)k} \\ \hat{f}_k &= \sum_{m=0}^{N/2-1} f_{2m} \cdot e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{N/2} mk} + e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{N} k} \sum_{m=0}^{N/2-1} f_{2m+1} \cdot e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{N/2} mk} \\ \hat{f}_k &= E_k + e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{N} k} \cdot O_k \end{aligned}$$

where  $E_k$  is the DFT of the even-indexed part of  $f_m$ , and  $O_k$  is the DFT of the odd-indexed part of  $f_m$ . Based on the periodicity of the DFT:  $E_{k+\frac{N}{2}} = E_k$ ,  $O_{k+\frac{N}{2}} = O_k$ . We have the following:

$$\hat{f}_k = E_k + e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{N} k} \cdot O_k \quad \text{for } 0 \leq k < \frac{N}{2}$$

$$\hat{f}_k = E_{k-\frac{N}{2}} + e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{N} k} \cdot O_{k-\frac{N}{2}} \quad \text{for } \frac{N}{2} \leq k < N$$

The harmonic factor  $e^{-2\pi i k/N}$  have the property that:

$$e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{N} (k+\frac{N}{2})} = e^{-\frac{2\pi i k}{N} - \pi i} = -e^{-\frac{2\pi i k}{N}}$$

We can cut the number of harmonic factor calculations in half. For  $0 \leq k < \frac{N}{2}$ :

$$\hat{f}_k = E_k + e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{N} k} \cdot O_k$$

$$\hat{f}_{k+\frac{N}{2}} = E_k - e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{N}k} \cdot O_k$$

Pseudocode:

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01:  $\hat{f}_{0,1,\dots,N-1} \leftarrow FFT(f, N, s)$  : returns the DFT of  $(f_0, f_s, f_{2s}, \dots)$ 
02: if  $N = 1$  then
03:    $\hat{f}_0 \leftarrow f_0$ 
04: else
05:    $\hat{f}_{0,\dots,N/2-1} \leftarrow FFT(f, N/2, 2s)$ 
06:    $\hat{f}_{N/2,\dots,N-1} \leftarrow FFT(f + s, N/2, 2s)$ 
07:   for  $k = 0$  to  $N/2 - 1$ 
08:      $t \leftarrow \hat{f}_k$ 
09:      $\hat{f}_k \leftarrow t + \exp(-2\pi i k/N) \hat{f}_{k+N/2}$ 
10:      $\hat{f}_{k+N/2} \leftarrow t - \exp(-2\pi i k/N) \hat{f}_{k+N/2}$ 
11:   endfor
12: endif

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Note that:  $f + s$  (in the context of C++ programming language) means moving the array pointer of  $f$  to the  $s$ -th element.

## 4 Fast Fourier Transform 2D

Discrete Fourier Transform 2D:

$$\hat{f}_{x,y} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{MN}} \sum_{u=0}^{M-1} \sum_{v=0}^{N-1} f_{u,v} \cdot e^{-i2\pi \left( \frac{xu}{M} + \frac{yv}{N} \right)}$$

$$\hat{f}_{x,y} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{MN}} \sum_{u=0}^{M-1} e^{-i2\pi \frac{xu}{M}} \cdot \left( \sum_{v=0}^{N-1} f_{u,v} \cdot e^{-i2\pi \frac{yv}{N}} \right)$$

We can compute  $P(u, y) = \sum_{v=0}^{N-1} f_{u,v} \cdot e^{-i2\pi \frac{yv}{N}}$  by FFT-1D. Again, we use FFT-1D to compute  $\hat{f}_{x,y} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{MN}} \sum_{u=0}^{M-1} e^{-i2\pi \frac{xu}{M}} \cdot P(u, y)$ .

Inverse Discrete Fourier Transform 2D:

$$f_{u,v} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{MN}} \sum_{x=0}^{M-1} \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} \hat{f}_{x,y} \cdot e^{i2\pi \left( \frac{xu}{M} + \frac{yv}{N} \right)}$$

$$f_{u,v} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{MN}} \sum_{x=0}^{M-1} e^{i2\pi \frac{xu}{M}} \cdot \left( \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} \hat{f}_{x,y} \cdot e^{i2\pi \frac{yv}{N}} \right)$$

Compute  $H(x, v) = \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} \hat{f}_{x,y} \cdot e^{i2\pi \frac{yv}{N}}$  and then  $f_{u,v} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{MN}} \sum_{x=0}^{M-1} e^{i2\pi \frac{xu}{M}} \cdot H(x, v)$  by FFT-1D algorithm.

## 5 Fast Polynomial Multiplication by FFT

Given two polynomials:

$$A(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i \cdot x^i$$

$$B(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} b_i \cdot x^i$$

Compute:

$$C(x) = A(x) \cdot B(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} c_i \cdot x^i \quad (k = n + m - 1)$$

where  $c_i = \sum_j a_j \cdot b_{i-j}$ .

Let  $N$  be the smallest power of 2 that is bigger than or equal to  $k$ . We can rewrite  $A(x)$ ,  $B(x)$ ,  $C(x)$  as polynomials of degree  $N - 1$  as follows:

$$A(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i \cdot x^i + \sum_{i=n}^{N-1} 0 \cdot x^i$$

$$B(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} b_i \cdot x^i + \sum_{i=m}^{N-1} 0 \cdot x^i$$

$$C(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} c_i \cdot x^i + \sum_{i=k}^{N-1} 0 \cdot x^i$$

Let  $w$  be the  $N$ -th complex root of unity:  $w = \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{N}\right) + i \cdot \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{N}\right)$ . Some properties of  $w$ :

$$w^j = \left[ \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{N}\right) + i \cdot \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{N}\right) \right]^j = \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{N}j\right) + i \cdot \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{N}j\right)$$

$$w^0 = 1, \quad w^N = 1, \quad w^{j+\frac{N}{2}} = -w^j, \quad w^{j+N} = w^j$$

We will use the idea of the Fast Fourier Transform algorithm to compute the values of  $A(x)$  and  $B(x)$  at this special series  $W = \{w^0, w^1, w^2, \dots, w^{N-1}\}$  in time complexity  $O(N \log N)$ . Then we can compute the values of  $C(x)$  at  $W$  in time complexity  $O(N)$ . Finally, from these values, we can interpolate to compute the coefficients of  $C(x)$  again by FFT.

Let  $P(x)$  be an arbitrary polynomial of degree  $N - 1$ :  $P(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} p_i \cdot x^i$ . We have:

$$P(w^j) = \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} p_i \cdot (w^j)^i$$

$$\Leftrightarrow P(w^j) = \sum_{k=0}^{N/2-1} p_{2k} \cdot (w^j)^{2k} + \sum_{k=0}^{N/2-1} p_{2k+1} \cdot (w^j)^{2k+1}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow P(w^j) = \sum_{k=0}^{N/2-1} p_{2k} \cdot (w^{2j})^k + w^j \cdot \sum_{k=0}^{N/2-1} p_{2k+1} \cdot (w^{2j})^k$$

On the another hand:

$$P(w^{j+N/2}) = \sum_{k=0}^{N/2-1} p_{2k} \cdot (w^{2j+N})^k + w^{j+N/2} \cdot \sum_{k=0}^{N/2-1} p_{2k+1} \cdot (w^{2j+N})^k$$

$$\Leftrightarrow P(w^{j+N/2}) = \sum_{k=0}^{N/2-1} p_{2k} \cdot (w^{2j})^k - w^j \cdot \sum_{k=0}^{N/2-1} p_{2k+1} \cdot (w^{2j})^k$$

Pseudocode of computing the DFT  $F(P)$  or the evaluation of  $P(x)$  at  $1, w, w^2, \dots, w^{N-1}$ :

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01:  $F_{0,1,\dots,N-1} \leftarrow FFT(p, N, s, w)$  : returns the DFT of  $(p_0, p_s, p_{2s}, \dots)$ 
02: if  $N = 1$  then
03:    $F_0 \leftarrow p_0$ 
04: else
05:    $F_{0,\dots,N/2-1} \leftarrow FFT(p, N/2, 2s, w^2)$ 
06:    $F_{N/2,\dots,N-1} \leftarrow FFT(p + s, N/2, 2s, w^2)$ 
07:    $x \leftarrow 1$ 
08:   for  $j = 0$  to  $N/2 - 1$ 
09:      $t \leftarrow F_j$ 
10:      $F_j \leftarrow t + x \cdot F_{j+N/2}$ 
11:      $F_{j+N/2} \leftarrow t - x \cdot F_{j+N/2}$ 
12:      $x \leftarrow x \cdot w$ 
13:   endfor
14: endif

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The final algorithm is:

Step 1. Fourier transform for evaluation - time  $O(N \log N)$ :  $F_A \leftarrow FFT(A, N, 1, w)$

Step 2. Fourier transform for evaluation - time  $O(N \log N)$ :  $F_B \leftarrow FFT(B, N, 1, w)$

Step 3. Time  $O(N)$ :

for  $i = 1$  to  $N$

$F_C[i] \leftarrow F_A[i] \cdot F_B[i]$

endfor

Step 4. Fourier Transform for interpolation - time  $O(N \log N)$ :  $C \leftarrow \frac{1}{N} \cdot FFT(F_C, N, 1, w^{-1})$

Note that  $w^{-1} = \cos(\frac{2\pi}{N}) - i \cdot \sin(\frac{2\pi}{N})$

## 6 Fast Integer Multiplication by FFT

Given two decimal integer  $A = (a_{n-1}, \dots, a_1, a_0)$  and  $B = (b_{m-1}, \dots, b_1, b_0)$ .  $A$  and  $B$  can be expressed in terms of polynomials:

$$A(10) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i \cdot 10^i$$

$$B(10) = \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} b_i \cdot 10^i$$

Then the product of  $A$  and  $B$  is equal to  $A(10) \cdot B(10)$ . Apply the Fast Fourier Transform algorithm as described above, we can compute the multiplication polynomial  $C(x) = A(x) \cdot B(x)$  faster, so the result will be  $C(10)$ .

## 7 Continuous Fourier Transform

Basic of Fourier analysis:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(w) \cdot e^{ixw} dw$$

$$\hat{f}(w) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \cdot e^{-ixw} dw$$

$\mathcal{F}(f) = \hat{f}(w)$  is the Fourier transform of  $f(x)$ .

Plancharel theorem:

- The Fourier transform preserves inner product, if  $\hat{f}$  is the Fourier transform of  $f$  and  $\hat{g}$  is the Fourier transform of  $g$ , then:  $\langle \hat{f}(w), \hat{g}(w) \rangle = \langle f(x), g(x) \rangle$ .
- $\|f(x)\|^2 = \|\hat{f}(w)\|^2$

Some other basic properties of Fourier Transform:

Assume that  $\hat{f} = \mathcal{F}(f)$ . Then:

- (i)  $\mathcal{F}(f(x - c))(w) = e^{-iwc} \cdot \hat{f}(w)$
- (ii)  $\mathcal{F}(f(cx))(w) = \frac{1}{c} \cdot \hat{f}\left(\frac{w}{c}\right)$

## 8 Discrete Cosine Transform 2D

Discrete Cosine Transform:

$$\hat{f}_{u,v} = \frac{1}{4} \alpha(u) \alpha(v) \sum_{x=0}^{M-1} \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} f_{x,y} \cos \left[ \frac{(2x+1)u\pi}{2M} \right] \cos \left[ \frac{(2y+1)v\pi}{2N} \right]$$

where  $\alpha(u) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  if  $u = 0$ , and  $\alpha(u) = 1$  otherwise.

Inverse Discrete Cosine Transform:

$$f_{x,y} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{u=0}^{M-1} \sum_{v=0}^{N-1} \hat{f}_{u,v} \cdot \alpha(u) \alpha(v) \cos \left[ \frac{(2x+1)u\pi}{2M} \right] \cos \left[ \frac{(2y+1)v\pi}{2N} \right]$$