

# The Fourier transform of a discrete-time averaging filter

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$$\begin{aligned} H(e^{j\omega}) &= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h[k]e^{-j\omega k} \\ &= \frac{1}{M+1} \left( \sum_{k=0}^M e^{-j\omega k} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{M+1} \left( \sum_{k'=-M/2}^{M/2} e^{-j\omega(k'+M/2)} \right) \\ &= \frac{e^{-j\omega M/2}}{M+1} \left( \sum_{k'=-M/2}^{M/2} e^{-j\omega k'} \right) \\ &= \frac{e^{-j\omega M/2}}{M+1} \left( \frac{(e^{-j\omega})^{-M/2} - (e^{-j\omega})^{M/2+1}}{1 - e^{-j\omega}} \right) \\ &= \frac{e^{-j\omega M/2}}{M+1} \left( \frac{e^{j\omega M/2} - e^{-j\omega(M/2+1)}}{1 - e^{-j\omega}} \right) \\ &= \frac{e^{-j\omega M/2}}{M+1} \left( \frac{e^{j\omega M/2} - e^{-j\omega(M/2+1)}}{1 - e^{-j\omega}} \right) \left( \frac{e^{j\omega/2}}{e^{j\omega/2}} \right) \\ &= \frac{e^{-j\omega M/2}}{M+1} \left( \frac{e^{j\omega(M+1)/2} - e^{-j\omega(M+1)/2}}{e^{j\omega/2} - e^{-j\omega/2}} \right) \\ &= \frac{e^{-j\omega M/2}}{M+1} \left( \frac{e^{j\omega(M+1)/2} - e^{-j\omega(M+1)/2}}{e^{j\omega/2} - e^{-j\omega/2}} \right) \left( \frac{j2}{j2} \right) \\ &= \frac{e^{-j\omega M/2}}{M+1} \left( \frac{\sin(\omega(M+1)/2)}{\sin(\omega/2)} \right). \end{aligned}$$