

Qspice Project - Fourier Series Coefficients and Fourier Synthesis

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Fourier Series Coefficients and Fourier Synthesis

- Fourier Series Coefficients
 - Breaking down a signal into its frequency components (calculating a_0 , a_1 , b_1 , etc.)
- Fourier Synthesis (or Inverse Fourier Series)
 - Rebuilding the signal by summing its sinusoidal components using the coefficients
- Project Description
 - This project builds a DLL-block (.cpp) to compute Fourier series coefficients from input signal, and synthesis an output signal with these coefficients in every signal period

Calculate the Fourier series coefficients and Fourier Synthesis

- To calculate fourier series coefficients, it need to know exactly the signal period (fundamental frequency $T = \frac{1}{f_0}$), assume signal is function of $f(t)$
- Calculate a_0
 - a_0 represents the average value of the function over one period
 - $$a_0 = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T f(t) dt$$
- Calculate a_n and b_n (convolution)
 - To calculate the Fourier series coefficients a_n (cosine terms) and b_n (sine terms)
 - $$a_n = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T f(t) \cos(n\omega t) dt$$
 - $$b_n = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T f(t) \sin(n\omega t) dt$$
 - Here, n is the harmonic order, $\omega_0 = 2\pi f_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T}$ is the period of the signal
 - At each harmonic
 - Magnitude : $MAG_n = \sqrt{a_n^2 + b_n^2}$
 - Phase : $PHASE_n = -\tan^{-1} \frac{b_n}{a_n}$, with respect to cosine wave
- Fourier Synthesis
 - $$f(t) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos(n\omega t) + b_n \sin(n\omega t)) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} MAG_n \cos(n\omega t + PHASE_n)$$

Code Explanation : Only Calculate DC and Fundamental

Qspice : \01 DC and Fundamental (DLL)\fourier.cpp

Integration (for example)

$$\int_0^T f(t) dt, \int_0^T f(t) \cos(\omega t) dt, \int_0^T f(t) \sin(\omega t) dt$$

```
// Calculate time difference since last update
double dT = t - inst->lastT;
clkout = false;

// Perform numerical integration of input signal (in) using trapezoidal rule
inst->cumsumIN += (in + inst->lastIN)*dT/2; // trap integration
// Perform numerical integration for Fourier coefficients using rectangle method
// (simpler but potentially less accurate than trapezoidal)
inst->cumsumCOS1 += in*cos(1*2*M_PI/Tperiod*t)*dT; // rectangle integration (simpler)
inst->cumsumSIN1 += in*sin(1*2*M_PI/Tperiod*t)*dT; // rectangle integration (simpler)
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Reached a period (calculate coefficient) →

Calculate coefficient

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T f(t) dt, a_1 = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T f(t) \cos(\omega t) dt$$
$$b_1 = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T f(t) \sin(\omega t) dt$$

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// Check if a period is reached
if (t > inst->Ttarget){

    // Calculate Fourier coefficients (DC component and first harmonic)
    inst->a0 = 1/Tperiod*inst->cumsumIN; // DC component (average)
    inst->a1 = 2/Tperiod*inst->cumsumCOS1; // Cosine coefficient of 1st harmonic
    inst->b1 = 2/Tperiod*inst->cumsumSIN1; // Sine coefficient of 1st harmonic

    // Display the calculated coefficients
    Display("t=%f : a0=%f; a1=%f; b1=%f\n", t, inst->a0, inst->a1, inst->b1);

    // Reset integration accumulators for next period
    inst->cumsumIN = 0;
    inst->cumsumCOS1 = 0;
    inst->cumsumSIN1 = 0;

    // Set new target time for next period
    inst->Ttarget += Tperiod;
    clkout = true;
}
```

Fourier Synthesis

$$f(t) = a_0 + a_1 \cos(\omega t) + b_1 \sin(\omega t)$$

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// Reconstruct output signal using the calculated Fourier coefficients
out = inst->a0 + inst->a1*cos(1*2*M_PI/Tperiod*t) + inst->b1*sin(1*2*M_PI/Tperiod*t);

// Store current time and input value for next iteration
inst->lastT = t;
inst->lastIN = in;
```

Code Explanation : General Form

Qspice : \02 General Form (DLL)\fourier.cpp

```
// Calculate time difference since last update
double dT = t - inst->lastT;
clkout = false;

// Perform numerical integration of input signal (in) using trapezoidal rule
inst->cumsumIN += (in + inst->lastIN)*dT/2; // trap integration
// Perform numerical integration for Fourier coefficients using rectangle method
// (simpler but potentially less accurate than trapezoidal)
for (int n=1; n <= order; n++){
    inst->cumsumCOS[n] += in*cos(n*2*M_PI/Tperiod*dt)*dT; // rectangle integration (simpler)
    inst->cumsumSIN[n] += in*sin(n*2*M_PI/Tperiod*dt)*dT; // rectangle integration (simpler)
}

// Check if a period is reached
if (t >= inst->Ttarget){
    // Calculate Fourier coefficients (DC component)
    inst->a[0] = 1/Tperiod*inst->cumsumIN; // DC component (average)
    inst->cumsumIN = 0; // Reset integration accumulators for next period
    if (DisplayCoeff){
        Display("nSimulation time t = %f \n",t); // Display simulation time when period is reached
        Display(" a0 = %9.6f\n",inst->a[0]); // Display the calculated coefficients
    }

    // Calculate Fourier coefficients (Harmonics)
    for (int n=1; n <= order; n++){
        // calculate Fourier coefficients
        inst->a[n] = 2/Tperiod*inst->cumsumCOS[n]; // Cosine coefficient of n-th harmonic
        inst->b[n] = 2/Tperiod*inst->cumsumSIN[n]; // Sine coefficient of n-th harmonic
        // Reset integration accumulators for next period
        inst->cumsumCOS[n] = 0;
        inst->cumsumSIN[n] = 0;
        if (DisplayCoeff){
            // Calculate magnitude/phase for each harmonic
            double mag = sqrt(inst->a[n]*inst->a[n] + inst->b[n]*inst->b[n]);
            double phase = -atan2(inst->b[n], inst->a[n]);
            // Display the calculated coefficients
            Display(" a%d = %9.6f; b%d = %9.6f\n",n,inst->a[n],n,inst->b[n]);
            Display(" mag%d = %4.2f; phase%d = %4.2f\n",n,mag,n,phase*180/M_PI);
        }
    }

    // Set new target time for next period
    inst->Ttarget += Tperiod;
    clkout = true;
}

// Reconstruct output signal using the calculated Fourier coefficients
out = inst->a[0];
for (int n=1; n <= order; n++){
    out += inst->a[n]*cos(n*2*M_PI/Tperiod*t) + inst->b[n]*sin(n*2*M_PI/Tperiod*t);
}

// Store current time and input value for next iteration
inst->lastT = t;
inst->lastIN = in;
```

Calculate coefficient

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



Calculate coefficient

$$a_n = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T f(t) \cos(n\omega t) dt, b_n = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T f(t) \sin(n\omega t) dt$$



Calculate coefficient in magnitude and phase

$$MAG_n = \sqrt{a_n^2 + b_n^2}, PHASE_n = -\tan^{-1} \frac{b_n}{a_n}$$

$$f(t) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} MAG_n \cos(n\omega t + PHASE_n)$$



Fourier Synthesis



$$f(t) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos(n\omega t) + b_n \sin(n\omega t))$$

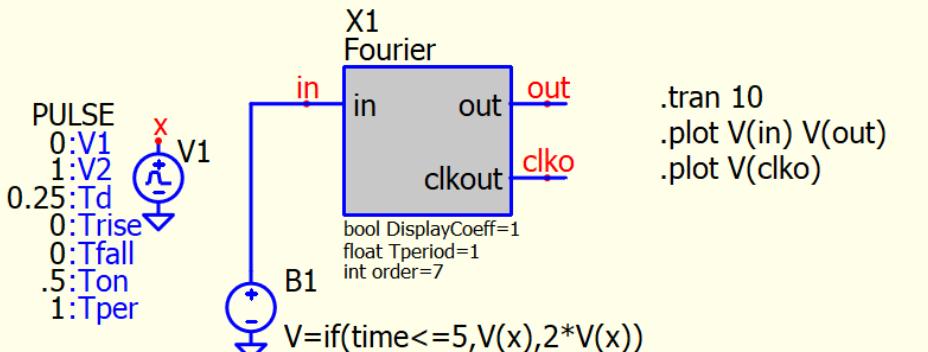
Example of Fourier Analysis and Synthesis

Qspice : \02 General Form (DLL)\example.basic.Fourier.qsch

Fourier Analysis and Synthesis - For educational purpose

Compute fourier series coefficients up to "order" (allows 1 to 16)

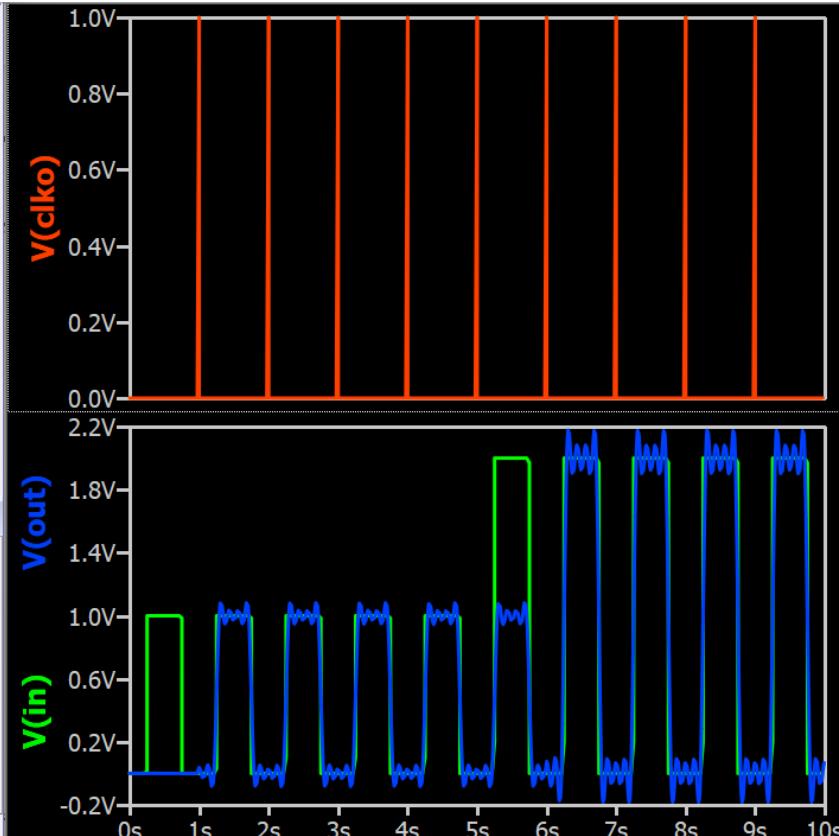
** Tperiod is period of fundamental frequency, need to match input signal



Output Window

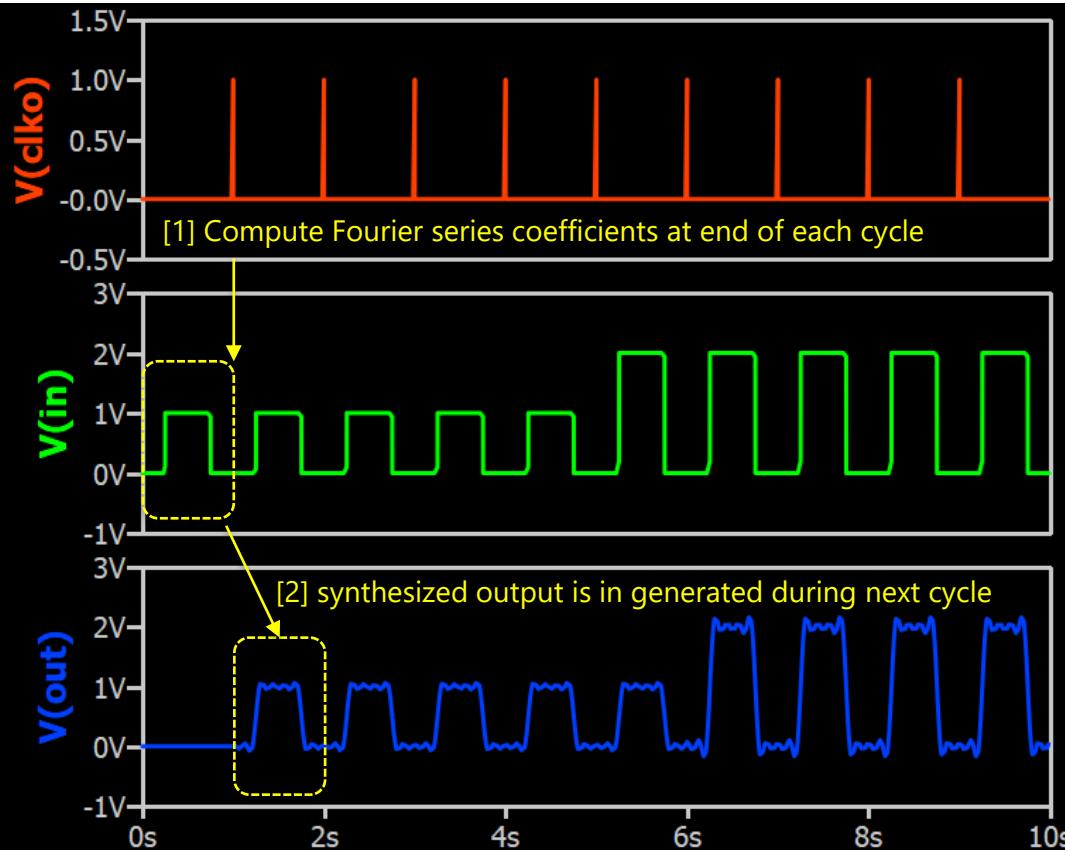
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X1:  
X1: Simulation time t = 1.000024  
X1: a0 = 0.501000  
X1: a1 = -0.636603; b1 = -0.004018; mag1 = 0.64; phase1 = -179.64  
X1: a2 = -0.002000; b2 = -0.000025; mag2 = 0.00; phase2 = -179.28  
X1: a3 = 0.212156; b3 = 0.004018; mag3 = 0.21; phase3 = 1.08  
X1: a4 = 0.001999; b4 = 0.000050; mag4 = 0.00; phase4 = 1.44  
X1: a5 = -0.127240; b5 = -0.004017; mag5 = 0.13; phase5 = -178.19  
X1: a6 = -0.001998; b6 = -0.000075; mag6 = 0.00; phase6 = -177.84  
X1: a7 = 0.090828; b7 = 0.004015; mag7 = 0.09; phase7 = 2.53
```

◀ ▶ ▶ Simulation Post Process



Example of Fourier Analysis and Synthesis

Qspice : \Fourier Series Coefficients in Real Time\02 General Form (DLL)\fourier.cpp



$$a_n = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T f(t) \cos(n\omega t) dt$$

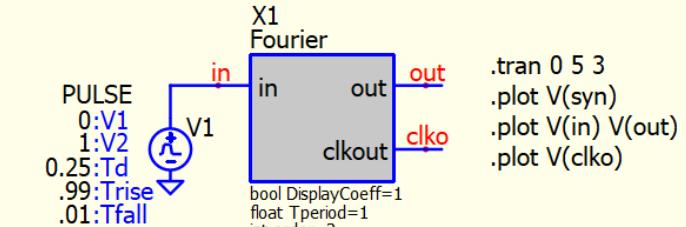
$$b_n = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T f(t) \sin(n\omega t) dt$$

a_n and b_n can only be computed after obtaining the full cycle integration results
Therefore, the synthesized output is delayed by at least one full cycle.

Example of Fourier Analysis and Synthesis

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Fourier Analysis and Synthesis - For educational purpose
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$$f(t) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} MAG_n \cos(n\omega t + PHASE_n)$$

syn B1 V=0.5 :DC component

A \cdot cos(2 π (n \cdot f)t+phi)

+0.32 \cdot cos(2 π 1 \cdot 1 \cdot time+(1.8) \cdot pi/180) :fundamental

+0.16 \cdot cos(2 π 2 \cdot 1 \cdot time+(-86.4) \cdot pi/180) :2nd harmonic

+0.11 \cdot cos(2 π 3 \cdot 1 \cdot time+(-174.6) \cdot pi/180) :3rd harmonic

Output Window

```
X1: Simulation time t = 5.000000
X1: a0 = 0.500000
X1: a1 = 0.321314; b1 = -0.010098; mag1 = 0.32; phase1 = 1.80
X1: a2 = 0.010088; b2 = 0.160340; mag2 = 0.16; phase2 = -86.40
X1: a3 = -0.106542; b3 = 0.010071; mag3 = 0.11; phase3 = -174.60
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