

Chapter 15. Fourier series and transform

Let $f(x)$ be continuous or have finite number of first-type discontinuities, and it is periodic with period $2l$. Then the Fourier series

$$\frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos \omega_n x + b_n \sin \omega_n x), \quad (1)$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\ell} \int_{-\ell}^{\ell} f(x) dx, \quad (2)$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\ell} \cdot \int_{-\ell}^{\ell} f(x) \cdot \cos \omega_n x dx \quad (n = 1, 2, 3, \dots), \quad (3)$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\ell} \cdot \int_{-\ell}^{\ell} f(x) \cdot \sin \omega_n x dx \quad (n = 1, 2, 3, \dots). \quad (4)$$

$$\omega = n\pi/l$$

converges at any x , and its sum

$S(x)=f(x)$ at points of continuity,

$S(x)=[f(x-0)+f(x+0)]/2$ at discontinuities.

If $f(x)$ is even, then Fourier series simplifies:

$$\frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos \omega_n x,$$

$$a_n = \frac{2}{\ell} \cdot \int_0^\ell f(x) \cdot \cos \omega_n x dx \quad (n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots), \quad (5)$$

Example

$\ell=1$, $f(x)=x$ (even at $-1 \leq x \leq 1$) $\omega=n\pi/l=n\pi$

Scilab:

clear

I=1:1:11

for n=1:11

nn=n-1

I(n)=2*integrate('x*cos(%pi*x*nn)','x', 0, 1)

end

//disp(I)

//plot(I,'r')

//xgrid

for i=1:30

xx(i)=0.1*(i-1)

x=xx(i)

yy(i)=0.5*I(1)+I(2)*cos(%pi*x)...

+I(3)*cos(%pi*x*2)...

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+| (4)*cos(%pi*x^3)...
+| (5)*cos(%pi*x^4)...
+| (6)*cos(%pi*x^5)
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end
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plot(xx,yy)
xgrid()
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Fouries transform for non-periodic functions

Fourier transform is a mathematical model that decomposes a function or signal into its constituent frequencies. It helps to transform the signals between two different domains like **transforming the frequency domain to the time domain**. It is a powerful tool **used in many fields**, such as signal processing, physics, and engineering, to analyze the frequency content of signals or functions that vary over time or space.

$$F(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(x) \exp(-i\omega x) dx$$
$$A(\omega) = |F(\omega)|, \quad \operatorname{tg} \alpha(\omega) = \arg F(\omega)$$

Inverse Fourier transform:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} F(\omega) \exp(i\omega x) d\omega$$

Example

1D FFT (of a vector):

$$f(t) = \sin(2\pi 50t) + \sin(2\pi 200t + \pi/4) + 2\sin(2\pi 400t) + \text{noise}$$

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clear
//Frequency components of a signal
// build a noised signal sampled at 1000hz containing pure frequencies at 50
// and 70 Hz
sample_rate = 1000;
t = 0:1/sample_rate:0.6;
N = size(t,'*'); //number of samples
f = sin(2*pi*50*t) + sin(2*pi*200*t+pi/4) +...
2*sin(2*pi*400*t)+ grand(1,N,'nor',0,1);
F=fft(f); // !!!
// f is real so the fft response is conjugate symmetric and we
// retain only the first N/2 points
ff = sample_rate*(0:(N/2))/N; //associated frequency vector
n = size(ff,'*')
clf()
plot(ff, abs(F(1:n)))
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