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Fourier Series

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Abstract—This manual provides a simple introduction to Fourier Series

1 Periodic Function

Let

$$x(t) = A_0 |\sin(2\pi f_0 t)| \tag{1.1}$$

1.1 Plot x(t).

Solution:

The following code yields the graph

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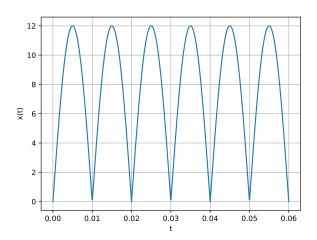


Fig. 1.1: Plot of x(t)

1.2 Show that x(t) is periodic and find its period. Solution:

We know that $|\sin(x)|$ is periodic with fundamental period of π .

 \implies Fundamental period of $A|\sin(ax)$ is $\frac{\pi}{a}$ Fundamental period of $A_0|\sin(2\pi f_0 t)|$ is $\frac{\pi}{2\pi f_0}$

 \implies Fundamental period of x(t) is $\frac{1}{2f_0}$

2 Fourier Series

Consider $A_0 = 12$ and $f_0 = 50$ for all numerical calculations.

2.1 If

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{j2\pi k f_0 t}$$
 (2.1)

show that

$$c_k = f_0 \int_{-\frac{1}{2f_0}}^{\frac{1}{2f_0}} x(t)e^{-j2\pi k f_0 t} dt \qquad (2.2)$$

Solution:

Consider for some $n \in \mathbb{Z}$,

$$x(t)e^{j2\pi nf_0t} = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{j2\pi(k-n)f_0t}$$

We know using the periodicity of $e^{j2\pi k f_0 t}$,

$$\int_{-\frac{1}{2f_0}}^{\frac{1}{2f_0}} e^{j2\pi k f_0 t} dt = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{f_0} & \text{if } k = 0\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Now.

$$\int_{-\frac{1}{2f_0}}^{\frac{1}{2f_0}} x(t)e^{j2\pi nf_0t}dt = \int_{-\frac{1}{2f_0}}^{\frac{1}{2f_0}} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{j2\pi(k-n)f_0t}$$

$$= \frac{c_n}{f_0}$$

$$\implies c_n = f_0 \int_{-\frac{1}{2f_0}}^{\frac{1}{2f_0}} x(t)e^{j2\pi nf_0t}dt$$

2.2 Find c_k for (1.1)

Solution:

$$c_{k} = f_{0} \int_{-\frac{1}{2f_{0}}}^{\frac{1}{2f_{0}}} x(t)e^{j2\pi kf_{0}t}dt$$

$$= f_{0} \int_{-\frac{1}{2f_{0}}}^{\frac{1}{2f_{0}}} A_{0} |\sin(2\pi f_{0}t)| e^{j2\pi kf_{0}t}dt$$

$$= f_{0} \int_{-\frac{1}{2f_{0}}}^{\frac{1}{2f_{0}}} A_{0} |\sin(2\pi f_{0}t)| \cos(2\pi kf_{0}t)dt$$

$$+ jf_{0} \int_{-\frac{1}{2f_{0}}}^{\frac{1}{2f_{0}}} A_{0} |\sin(2\pi f_{0}t)| \sin(2\pi kf_{0}t)dt$$

$$= f_{0} \int_{-\frac{1}{2f_{0}}}^{\frac{1}{2f_{0}}} A_{0} |\sin(2\pi f_{0}t)| \cos(2\pi kf_{0}t)dt + 0$$

$$= 2f_{0} \int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2f_{0}}} A_{0} \sin(2\pi f_{0}t) \cos(2\pi kf_{0}t)dt$$

$$= f_{0}A_{0} \int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2f_{0}}} \sin(2\pi (n+1) f_{0}t) dt$$

$$- f_{0}A_{0} \int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2f_{0}}} \sin(2\pi (n-1) f_{0}t) dt$$

$$= f_{0}A_{0} \frac{1 + (-1)^{n}}{2\pi f_{0}} \left(\frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n-1}\right)$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{2A_{0}}{\pi(1-n^{2})} & n \text{ even} \\ 0 & n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$
(2.3)

2.3 Verify (1.1) and (2.1) using python.

Solution: The following code yields the graph

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2.4 Show that

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (a_k \cos j2\pi k f_0 t + b_k \sin j2\pi k f_0 t)$$
(2.4)

and obtain the formulae for a_k and b_k .

Solution:

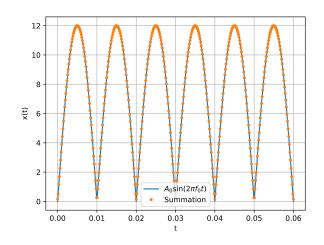


Fig. 2.3: Verification of (2.1).

Solution: From (2.1),

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{j2\pi k f_0 t}$$

$$= c_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(c_k e^{j2\pi k f_0 t} + c_{-k} e^{-j2\pi k f_0 t} \right)$$

$$= c_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(c_k + c_{-k} \right) \cos(2\pi k f_0 t)$$

$$+ j \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(c_k - c_{-k} \right) \sin(2\pi k f_0 t)$$

Hence, for $k \ge 0$,

$$a_k = \begin{cases} c_0 & k = 0 \\ c_k + c_{-k} & k > 0 \end{cases}$$
 (2.5)

$$b_k = j(c_k - c_{-k}) (2.6)$$

2.5 Find a_k and b_k for (1.1)

Solution:

Using the expression for c_k , from (2.3) and using (2.5) and (2.6), we have,

$$a_k = \begin{cases} \frac{2A_0}{\pi} & k = 0\\ \frac{4A_0}{\pi(1-k^2)} & k \text{ even}\\ 0 & k \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

$$b_k = 0$$

2.6 Verify (2.4) using python

Solution:

The following code block yields the graph

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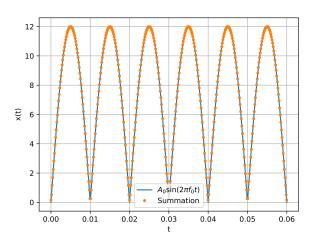


Fig. 2.6: Verification of (2.4).

3 Fourier Transform

3.1

$$\delta(t) = 0, \quad t \neq 0 \tag{3.1}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t) \, dt = 1 \tag{3.2}$$

3.2 The Fourier Transform of g(t) is

$$G(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t)e^{-j2\pi ft} dt \qquad (3.3)$$

3.3 Show that

$$g(t-t_0) \stackrel{\mathcal{F}}{\longleftrightarrow} G(f)e^{-j2\pi ft_0}$$
 (3.4)

Solution:

$$\mathcal{F}(g(t-t_0)) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t-t_0) e^{-j2\pi f t} dt$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t) e^{-j2\pi f(t+t_0)} dt$$

$$= e^{-j2\pi f t_0} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t) e^{-j2\pi f t} dt$$

$$= G(f) e^{-j2\pi f t_0}$$

$$\implies g(t-t_0) \stackrel{\mathcal{F}}{\longleftrightarrow} G(f)e^{-j2\pi ft_0}$$

Hence proved

3.4 Show that

$$G(t) \stackrel{\mathcal{F}}{\longleftrightarrow} g(-f)$$
 (3.5)

Solution:

Using the definition of inverse Fourier Transform,

$$g(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(f)e^{j2\pi ft}df$$

Now, putting -f := t, $t := f \implies df = dt$,

$$g(-f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(t)e^{-j2\pi ft}dt$$

$$\implies G(t) \stackrel{\mathcal{F}}{\longleftrightarrow} g(-f) \tag{3.6}$$

3.5 $\delta(t) \stackrel{\mathcal{F}}{\longleftrightarrow} ?$

Solution:

$$\delta(t) \stackrel{\mathcal{F}}{\longleftrightarrow} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t) e^{-j2\pi f t} dt$$

$$= e^{-j2\pi f(0)} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t) dt$$

$$\delta(t) \stackrel{\mathcal{F}}{\longleftrightarrow} 1 \tag{3.7}$$

3.6
$$e^{-j2\pi f_0 t} \stackrel{\mathcal{F}}{\longleftrightarrow} ?$$

Solution: Suppose $g(t) \stackrel{\mathcal{F}}{\longleftrightarrow} G(f)$

$$g(t)e^{-j2\pi f_0 t} \stackrel{\mathcal{F}}{\longleftrightarrow} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t)e^{-j2\pi (f_0 + f)t} dt$$
$$= G(f + f_0)$$

Now, using (3.7) and (3.6), we can get,

$$\delta(t) \stackrel{\mathcal{F}}{\longleftrightarrow} 1 \stackrel{\mathcal{F}}{\longleftrightarrow} \delta(-t)$$

Putting g(t) = 1 and hence, $G(f) = \delta(-f) = \delta(f)$, we get $G(f + f_0) = \delta(f + f_0)$. Hence,

$$e^{-j2\pi f_0 t} \stackrel{\mathcal{F}}{\longleftrightarrow} \delta(f + f_0)$$
 (3.8)

3.7 $\cos(2\pi f_0 t) \stackrel{\mathcal{F}}{\longleftrightarrow} ?$

Solution: We can write

$$\cos(2\pi f_0 t) = \frac{1}{2} \left(e^{j2\pi f_0 t} + e^{-j2\pi f_0 t} \right)$$

Using (3.8) and the linearity of Fourier Transform, we get,

$$\cos(2\pi f_0 t) \stackrel{\mathcal{F}}{\longleftrightarrow} \frac{1}{2} \Big(\delta(f - f_0) + \delta(f + f_0) \Big)$$

3.8 Find the Fourier Transform of x(t) and plot it. Verify using python.

Solution: Using (2.1), we have,

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{j2\pi k f_0 t}$$

Using (3.8), we get,

$$x(t) \stackrel{\mathcal{F}}{\longleftrightarrow} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k \delta(f - kf_0)$$
$$= \frac{2A_0}{\pi} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\delta(f - 2kf_0)}{1 - 4k^2}$$

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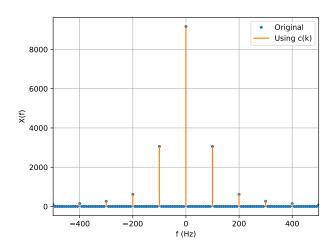


Fig. 3.8: Fourier Transform of x(t)

3.9 Show that

$$rect(t) \stackrel{\mathcal{F}}{\longleftrightarrow} sinc(t)$$
 (3.9)

Verify using python.

Solution:

$$\operatorname{rect}(t) \stackrel{\mathcal{F}}{\longleftrightarrow} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \operatorname{rect}(t) e^{-j2\pi f t} dt$$

$$= \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{-j2\pi f t} dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{-j2\pi f} \left(e^{-j\pi f} - e^{j\pi f} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\sin(\pi f)}{\pi f} = \operatorname{sinc}(f)$$

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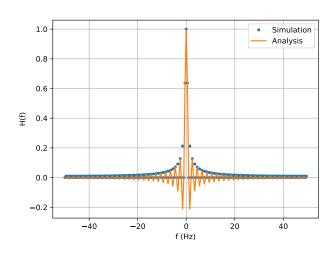


Fig. 3.9: Fourier Transform of x(t)

3.10 $\operatorname{sinc}(t) \stackrel{\mathcal{F}}{\longleftrightarrow}$? Verify using python.

Solution:

Using (3.9), and (3.6), we get,

$$\operatorname{sinc}(t) \stackrel{\mathcal{F}}{\longleftrightarrow} \operatorname{rect}(-f) = \operatorname{rect}(f)$$
 (3.10)

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4 FILTER

4.1 Find H(f) which transforms x(t) to DC 5V. **Solution:** The function H(f) is a low pass filter which filters out even harmonics and leaves the zero frequency component behind. The rectangular function represents an ideal

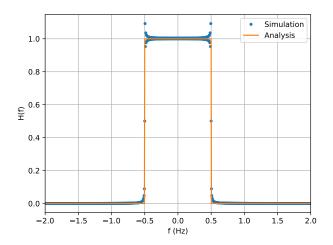


Fig. 3.10: Fourier Transform of x(t)

low pass filter. Suppose the cutoff frequency is $f_c = 50$ Hz, then

$$H(f) = \operatorname{rect}\left(\frac{f}{2f_c}\right) = \begin{cases} 1 & |f| < f_c \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
 (4.1)

Multiplying by a scaling factor to get DC 5V,

$$H(f) = \frac{\pi V_0}{2A_0} \operatorname{rect}\left(\frac{f}{2f_c}\right)$$

where $V_0 = 5$ V.

4.2 Find h(t).

Solution: Suppose $g(t) \overset{\mathcal{F}}{\longleftrightarrow} G(f)$. Then, for some nonzero $a \in \mathbb{R}$

$$g(at) \stackrel{\mathcal{F}}{\longleftrightarrow} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(at)e^{-j2\pi ft} dt$$
$$= \frac{1}{a} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(u)e^{\left(-j2\pi \frac{f}{a}t\right)} dt$$
$$= \frac{1}{a}G\left(\frac{f}{a}\right)$$

where we have substituted u := at.

$$\therefore h(t) = \frac{2\pi V_0}{A_0} f_c \operatorname{sinc}(2f_c t)$$

4.3 Verify your result using through convolution. **Solution:** Fourier transform of x(t) and h(t)

respectively is

$$X(f) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{2A_0}{\pi} \frac{\delta(f + 2kf_0)}{1 - 4k^2}$$
 (4.2)

$$H(f) = \frac{\pi V_0}{2A_0} \operatorname{rect}\left(\left(\frac{f}{2f_c}\right)\right) \tag{4.3}$$

$$X(f) \times H(f) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} V_0 \frac{\delta(f + 2kf_0)}{1 - 4k^2} \times \operatorname{rect}\left(\left(\frac{f}{2f_c}\right)\right)$$
(4.4)

$$X(f) \times H(f) = \sum_{k=0}^{0} V_0 \frac{\delta(f + 2kf_0)}{1 - 4k^2}$$
 (4.5)

Hence,

$$X(f) \times H(f) = V_0 \frac{\delta(f)}{1 - 4 \times 0} \tag{4.6}$$

$$X(f) \times H(f) = V_0 \delta(f) \tag{4.7}$$

Since $1 \stackrel{\mathcal{F}}{\longleftrightarrow} \delta(0)$, Hence,

$$V_0 \delta(t) \stackrel{\mathcal{F}}{\longleftrightarrow} V_0 \times 1$$
 (4.8)

$$\implies H(t) \circledast x(t) = V_0$$
 (4.9)

Hence verified. The following python yields

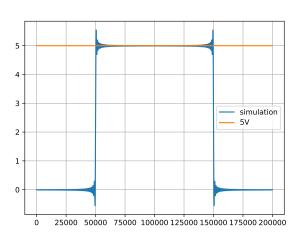


Fig. 4.3: Convolution of the x(t) and h(t).

the plot 4.3.

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5 Filter Design

5.1 Design a Butterworth filter for H(f)

Solution: The transfer function of a Butterworth filter is given by

$$|H_n(f)| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{f}{f_c}\right)^{2n}}}$$
 (5.1)

where n is the order of the filter and f_c is the cutoff frequency

Let the passband and stopband frequency thresholds be 50 Hz and 100 Hz and their corresponding attenuations be -1 dB and -5 dB respectively

$$A_p = 10\log_{10} |H_n(f_p)|^2 (5.2)$$

$$= -10\log_{10}\left(1 + \left(\frac{f_p}{f_c}\right)^{2n}\right)$$
 (5.3)

$$A_s = -10\log_{10}\left(1 + \left(\frac{f_s}{f_c}\right)^{2n}\right)$$
 (5.4)

$$\implies n = \frac{\log\left(\frac{10^{-\frac{A_p}{10}} - 1}{10^{-\frac{A_s}{10}} - 1}\right)}{2\log\left(\frac{f_p}{f_s}\right)} \approx 1.53 \tag{5.5}$$

Hence, we choose a 2nd order Butterworth filter with

$$f_c = \frac{f_p}{\left(10^{-\frac{A_p}{10}} - 1\right)^{\frac{1}{2n}}} \approx 77.74 \,\mathrm{Hz}$$
 (5.6)

5.2 Design a Chebyschev filter for H(f)

Solution: The transfer function of a Chebyshev filter is given by

$$|H_n(f)| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \epsilon^2 T_n^2 \left(\frac{f}{f_c}\right)}} \tag{5.7}$$

where ϵ is the ripple factor, f_c is the cutoff frequency and T_n is a Chebyshev polynomial of the n^{th} order

Assuming the same parameters as before along with a ripple of 0.1 dB, we get

$$\epsilon = \sqrt{10^{\frac{\delta}{10}} - 1} \approx 0.15 \tag{5.8}$$

Also, assume that $f_c = f_p \implies \frac{f_s}{f_c} > 1$

$$A_s = -10\log_{10}\left(1 + \epsilon^2 T_n^2 \left(\frac{f_s}{f_c}\right)\right) \quad (5.9)$$

$$\Longrightarrow T_n \left(\frac{f_s}{f_c} \right) = \frac{\sqrt{10^{-\frac{A_s}{10}} - 1}}{\epsilon} \tag{5.10}$$

$$\implies \cosh\left(n\cosh^{-1}\left(\frac{f_s}{f_c}\right)\right) = \frac{\sqrt{10^{-\frac{A_s}{10}} - 1}}{\epsilon}$$
(5.11)

Thus

$$n = \frac{\cosh^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{10^{-\frac{A_s}{10}}-1}}{\epsilon}\right)}{\cosh^{-1}\left(\frac{f_s}{f_c}\right)} \approx 2.26$$
 (5.12)

Hence, we choose a 3rd order Chebyshev filter 5.3 Design a circuit for your Butterworth filter **Solution:** Using the table of normalized Butterworth coefficients, we can see that for a 2nd order Butterworth filter

$$C_1 = 1.4142 \,\mathrm{F}$$
 (5.13)

$$L_2 = 1.4142 \,\mathrm{H}$$
 (5.14)

On denormalizing these values, we get

$$C_1' = \frac{C_1}{2\pi f_c} = 2.89 \,\text{mF}$$
 (5.15)

$$L_2' = \frac{L_2}{2\pi f_c} = 2.89 \,\text{mH}$$
 (5.16)

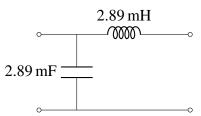


Fig. 5.3: 2nd order Butterworth filter circuit

5.4 Design a circuit for your Chebyschev filter **Solution:** Using the table of normalized Chebyshev coefficients, we can see that for a 3rd order Chebyshev filter

$$C_1 = 1.4328 \,\mathrm{F}$$
 (5.17)

$$L_2 = 1.5937 \,\mathrm{H}$$
 (5.18)

$$C_3 = 1.4328 \,\mathrm{F}$$
 (5.19)

On denormalizing these values, we get

$$C_1' = \frac{C_1}{2\pi f_c} = 4.56 \,\text{mF}$$
 (5.20)

$$L_2' = \frac{L_2}{2\pi f_c} = 5.07 \,\text{mH}$$
 (5.21)

$$C_3' = \frac{C_3}{2\pi f_c} = 4.56 \,\text{mF}$$
 (5.22)

