

Basic properties of Fourier Transforms

$$\mathcal{F}[f] \quad \hat{f}(k) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-ikx} f(x) dx$$

$$\mathcal{F}^{-1}[\hat{f}] \quad f(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{ikx} \hat{f}(k) dk$$

$$f = f(\lambda) \quad \hat{f}(k) \quad k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$$
$$x = x + \lambda$$
$$kx \equiv 1 < x + 2\pi$$

$$\omega = \text{angular freq}$$
$$= 2\pi / \text{freq}$$

FT gives freq / wavelength

if $f(x)$ is real.

$\hat{f}(k)$ in general is complex.

$$\hat{f}(k) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ikx} f(x) dx$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cos(kx) f(x) dx - i \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sin(kx) f(x) dx$$

if $f(x)$ even $f(-x) = f(x)$

$\hat{f}(k)$ is real

if $f(x)$ odd $f(-x) = -f(x)$

$\hat{f}(k)$ is purely imaginary

Linearity of F.T.

$$f(x) = a g(x) + b h(x)$$

a, b constants (not fn of x)

$$\hat{f}(k) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [a g(x) + b h(x)] e^{-ikx} dx$$

$$= a \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) e^{-ikx} dx + b \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(x) e^{-ikx} dx$$

$$= a \hat{g}(k) + b \hat{h}(k)$$

Translation in x

$$f_a(x) = f(x-a)$$

translated
version

$$\hat{f}_a(k) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x-a) e^{-ikx} dx$$

$$u = x - a$$

$$du = dx$$

=

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) e^{-ik(u+a)} du$$

$$= e^{-ika} \hat{f}(k)$$

shift $x \rightarrow x - a$

$$FT \rightarrow FT \times e^{-ika}$$

Scale factor

$$f_b = f(bx)$$

$$b = \text{constant} \\ \neq 0$$

$$\hat{f}_b(k) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ikx} f(bx) dx$$

$$\text{let } u = bx \\ du = b dx$$

if $b > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} f_b(k) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-iku/b} f(u) \frac{du}{b} \\ &= \frac{1}{b} \hat{f}\left(\frac{k}{b}\right) \end{aligned}$$

if $b \neq 0$

$$\hat{f}_b(k) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-iku/b} f(u) \frac{du}{b}$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-iku/b} f(u) \frac{du}{|b|}$$

$$= \frac{1}{|b|} \hat{f}\left(\frac{k}{b}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{f}_b(k) = \frac{1}{|b|} \hat{f}\left(\frac{k}{b}\right)$$

for any $b \neq 0$

FT of derivative
of $f(x) = f'(x)$

$$f'(k) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f'(x) e^{-ikx} dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} dv &= f'(x) & u &= e^{-ikx} \\ v &= f(x) & du &= -ik e^{-ikx} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \left[f(x) e^{-ikx} \right]_{-\infty}^{\infty} - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (f(x)) f'(x) e^{-ikx} dx$$

$$f(x) = 0 \quad @ \quad \pm \infty$$

$$f'(k) = ik \hat{f}(k)$$

FT of n^{th} derivative
of a fn

$$\boxed{\hat{f}^{(n)}(k) = (ik)^n \hat{f}(k)}$$

Summarise

Basic of FT

• linearity

• shifting

$$x \rightarrow x - a$$

• scale

$$x \rightarrow bx$$

• derivative FT.