



Fourier Transform Flavors

5. Fourier Theory

Fourier Case

(a) *Continuous-time Fourier Transform (CTFT) - Fourier Transform*

(b) *Continuous-time Fourier Series (CTFS) - Fourier Series*

(c) *Discrete-time Fourier Transform (DTFT)*

(d) *Discrete-time Fourier Series (DTFS)*

5.1. Fourier Series

The **Fourier series** of a periodic signal, $f(t) = f(t + kT)$, $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ is given by:

$$f(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} F[k] e^{jk\omega_0 t}, \omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T}; \quad (3)$$

which is of the form:

$$x(t) = \sum_k X_k \psi_k(t) \Rightarrow \psi_k(t) = e^{jk\omega_0 t}$$

☞ linear combination of complex exponentials with frequencies $k\omega_0$

Fourier Coefficients: $F[k] = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} f(t) e^{-jk\omega_0 t} dt \quad (4)$

- Note 1: If $f(t)$ is continuous, then the series converges uniformly to $f(t)$
- Note 2: If $f(t)$ is square-integrable over a period, but not necessarily continuous, then the series converges to $f(t)$ in the L^2 sense.

$$k|_{-N}^N \Rightarrow \hat{f}_N(t); \quad \|f(t) - \hat{f}_N(t)\| \rightarrow 0 \Big|_{N \rightarrow \infty}$$

5.1. Fourier Series

Properties

- The set of functions used in (3) is a complete orthonormal system for the interval $[-T/2, T/2]$:

$$\varphi_k(t) = (1/\sqrt{T})e^{jk\omega_0 t}, t \in [-T/2, T/2], k \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow \langle \varphi_k(t), \varphi_l(t) \rangle_{[-T/2, T/2]} = \delta[k - l]$$

- Parseval relation:

$$\langle g(t), f(t) \rangle = T \cdot \langle F[k], G[k] \rangle \Rightarrow \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} |f(t)|^2 dt = T \cdot \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |F[k]|^2$$

- Best Approximation Property

$$\left\| f(t) - \sum_{k=-N}^N \langle \varphi_k, f \rangle \varphi_k(t) \right\| \leq \left\| f(t) - \sum_{k=-N}^N \alpha_k \varphi_k(t) \right\|, \text{ } \alpha_k \text{ an arbitrary set of coefficients.}$$

- The Fourier series coefficients are the best ones for an approximation in the span of $\{\varphi_k(t)\}, k \in [-N, N]$
- Fourier series can be used for non-periodic signals via periodization. Problem: discontinuities at the boundaries.

5.2. Discrete-Time Fourier Transform

Given a sequence $\{f[n]\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$ in $l^1(\mathbb{Z})$, its **discrete-time Fourier transform** is given by

$$F(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} f[n]e^{-j\omega n}, \text{ which is } 2\pi \text{ periodic.} \quad (5)$$

Inverse discrete-time Fourier transform:

$$f[n] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} F(e^{j\omega}) e^{j\omega n} d\omega \quad (6)$$

$$x[n] = \int X_\omega \psi_\omega[n] d\omega \Rightarrow \psi_\omega[n] = e^{j\omega n}$$

- Note 1: If $f[n]$ is in $l^2(\mathbb{Z})$, we have convergence in l^2 sense
- Note 2: $f[n]$ is obtained by sampling a continuous time signal $f(t)$ at instants nT .
Result: DTFT is related to the Fourier transform $F_c(\omega)$ of $f(t)$:

$$F(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} F_c\left(w - k \frac{2\pi}{T}\right)$$

5.2. Discrete-Time Fourier Transform

Properties

- The properties of the FT are carried over by DTFT

- Convolution:

$$f[n]*g[n] = \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} f[n-l]g[l] = \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} f[l]g[n-l] \leftrightarrow F(e^{j\omega}) \cdot G(e^{j\omega})$$

- Parseval's relation:

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} f^*[n]g[n] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} F^*(e^{j\omega})G(e^{j\omega})d\omega$$

- Energy conservation:

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |f[n]|^2 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |F(e^{j\omega})|^2 d\omega$$

5.3. Discrete-Time Fourier Series

- A periodic discrete signal, $f[n] = f[n + lN], l \in Z$ has its **discrete-time Fourier series** (DTFS) representation given by:

$$F[k] = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f[n] e^{-jn \cdot k 2\pi/N}, \quad k \in Z \quad (7)$$

- **Inverse DTFS** representation:

$$f[n] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} F[k] e^{jn \cdot k 2\pi/N}, \quad n \in Z \quad (8)$$

$$x[n] = \sum_k X_k \psi_k[n], \Rightarrow \psi_k[n] = e^{jn \cdot k 2\pi/N}$$

- All the properties of the FT hold.
- Convolution \Rightarrow Circular Convolution
 $\rightarrow f_0[n], g_0[n]$, one period of $f[n], g[n]$

$$\rightarrow f_0[n] = \begin{cases} f[n], & 0 \leq n \leq N-1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

5.3. Discrete-Time Fourier Series

- Circular Convolution

$$\begin{aligned} f[n]*g[n] &= \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} f[n-l]g[l] = \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} f_0[(n-l)\bmod N]g_0[l] = \\ &= f_0[n] \circ g_0[n] \leftrightarrow F[k] \cdot G[k] \end{aligned}$$

- Parseval's relation:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f^*[n]g[n] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} F^*[k]G[k]$$

Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT)

The same formulas as (7) and (8), except that $f[n]$ and $F[k]$ are defined only for:

$$n, k \in \{0, \dots, N-1\}$$

Convolution matrix C :

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} f[0] & f[1] & \dots & f[N-1] \\ f[N-1] & f[0] & \dots & f[N-2] \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ f[1] & f[2] & \dots & f[0] \end{pmatrix}$$



5.3. Discrete-Time Fourier Series

- Circular Convolution

$$f \circ g = \mathbf{C}g = \mathbf{F}^{-1}\Lambda\mathbf{F}g, \quad \mathbf{F}[n][k] = e^{-jn \cdot k 2\pi/N}, \quad \mathbf{F}^{-1}[n][k] = (1/N)e^{jn \cdot k 2\pi/N}$$

- Λ is a diagonal matrix with $F[k]$ on its diagonal.
- Another view:

☞ \mathbf{C} is diagonalized by \mathbf{F}

☞ The complex exponential sequences $\left\{e^{j(2\pi/N) \cdot nk}\right\}$ are eigenvectors for the convolution matrix \mathbf{C} , with eigenvalues $F[k]$.

- Parseval's relation:

$$\hat{f} = \mathbf{F}f, \quad \hat{g} = \mathbf{F}g$$

$$\hat{f}^* \hat{g} = (\mathbf{F}f)^*(\mathbf{F}g) = f^* \mathbf{F}^* \mathbf{F}g = N f^* g; \quad \mathbf{F}^{-1} = \frac{1}{N} \mathbf{F}^*$$

5.4. Various Flavors of Fourier Transforms - summary

Transform	Time	Frequency	Analysis Synthesis
Fourier Transform CTFT	Continuous	Continuous	$F(\omega) = \int_t f(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt$ $f(t) = 1/2\pi \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(\omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega$
Fourier Series CTFS	Continuous Periodic	Discrete	$F[k] = 1/T \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} f(t) e^{-j2\pi kt/T} dt$ $f(t) = \sum_k F[k] e^{j2\pi kt/T}$
Discrete-Time Fourier Transform DTFT	Discrete	Continuous Periodic	$F(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_n f[n] e^{-j\omega n}$ $f[n] = 1/2\pi \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} F(e^{j\omega}) e^{jn\omega} d\omega$
Discrete-Time Fourier Series DTFS	Discrete Periodic	Discrete Periodic	$F[k] = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f[n] e^{-jn \cdot k 2\pi/N}$ $f[n] = 1/N \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} F[k] e^{jn \cdot k 2\pi/N}$

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