

Here I will derive the **Fast Fourier Transform** from the Discrete Fourier transform equation given by wikipedia using the same symmetry exploited by the **CooleyTukey** algorithm.

Lets begin...

Start with the general Fourier transform equation...

$$X_k = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x_n (\cos(-2\pi k \frac{n}{N}) + i \sin(-2\pi k \frac{n}{N})), k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

We will apply euler's identity $e^{ix} = \cos(x) + i \sin(x)$

$$X_k = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x_n \cdot e^{-i2\pi k \frac{n}{N}}, k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

This form makes the equation simpler for optimizatin shown below

$$\begin{aligned} X_k &= \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x_n \cdot e^{-i2\pi k \frac{n}{N}} \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^{N/2-1} x_{2m} \cdot e^{-i2\pi k \frac{2m}{N}} + \sum_{m=0}^{N/2-1} x_{2m+1} \cdot e^{-i2\pi k \frac{2m+1}{N}} \\ &= \left(\sum_{m=0}^{N/2-1} x_{2m} \cdot e^{-i2\pi k \frac{2m}{N}} \right) + e^{-i2\pi k \frac{1}{N}} \sum_{m=0}^{N/2-1} x_{2m+1} \cdot e^{-i2\pi k \frac{2m}{N}} \end{aligned}$$