



Lecture 08: Discrete Fourier Transform

Outline

- Discrete Fourier Transform
- Convolution with the DFT
- Short-Time Fourier Transform

Fourier Transforms

	Time	Frequency
Fourier Series (FS)	Continuous periodic $\tilde{x}(t)$	Discrete infinite c_k
Fourier Transform (FT)	Continuous infinite $x(t)$	Continuous infinite $X(\Omega)$
Discrete-Time FT (DTFT)	Discrete infinite $x[n]$	Continuous periodic $X(e^{j\omega})$
Discrete FT (DFT)	Discrete finite/pdc $\tilde{x}[n]$	Discrete finite/pdc $X[k]$

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Discrete finite/pdc x[n]

Discrete finite/pdc X[k]

- A finite or periodic sequence has only N unique values, x[n] for 0 ≤ n < N</p>
- Spectrum is completely defined by N distinct frequency samples
- Divide $0..2\pi$ into N equal steps,

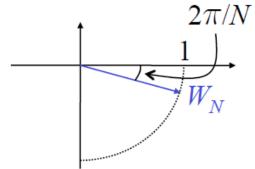
$$\{\omega_k\} = \frac{2\pi k}{N}$$

DFT and **IDFT**

Uniform sampling of DTFT spectrum:

$$X[k] = X(e^{j\omega})\Big|_{\omega = \frac{2\pi k}{N}} = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n]e^{-j\frac{2\pi k}{N}n}$$

DFT: $X[k] = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] W_N^{kn}$



where $W_N = e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}}$ i.e. -1/ N^{th} of a revolution

Inverse DFT: IDFT
$$x[n] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X[k] W_N^{-nk}$$

Check:

$$x[n] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k} \left(\sum_{l} x[l] W_{N}^{kl} \right) W_{N}^{-nk}$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} x[l] \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} W_{N}^{k(l-n)}$$

$$= x[n] \bigvee_{0 \le n < N}$$
Sum of complete set of rotated vectors = 0 if $l \ne n$; = N if $l = n$ or finite geometric series = $(1-W_{N}^{(N)})/(1-W_{N}^{(N)})$

DFT examples

■ Finite impulse $x[n] = \begin{cases} 1 & n = 0 \\ 0 & n = 1 \dots N-1 \end{cases}$ $\Rightarrow X[k] = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n]W_N^{kn} = W_N^0 = 1 \quad \forall k$

Periodic sinusoid:

$$x[n] = \cos\left(\frac{2\pi rn}{N}\right) \quad (r \in \mathbb{Z}) = \frac{1}{2}\left(W_N^{-rn} + W_N^{rn}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow X[k] = \frac{1}{2}\sum_{n=0}^{N-1}(W_N^{-rn} + W_N^{rn})W_N^{kn}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{N}{2} & k = r, k = N - r \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

DFT: Matrix form

• $X[k] = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] \cdot W_N^{kn}$ as a matrix multiply:

$$\begin{bmatrix} X[0] \\ X[1] \\ X[2] \\ \vdots \\ X[N-1] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ 1 & W_N^1 & W_N^2 & \cdots & W_N^{(N-1)} \\ 1 & W_N^2 & W_N^4 & \cdots & W_N^{2(N-1)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & W_N^{(N-1)} & W_N^{2(N-1)} & \cdots & W_N^{(N-1)^2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x[0] \\ x[1] \\ x[2] \\ \vdots \\ x[N-1] \end{bmatrix}$$

■ i.e.

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{D}_N \cdot \mathbf{x}$$

Matrix IDFT

- If $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{D}_N \cdot \mathbf{x}$ then $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{D}_N^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{X}$
- i.e. inverse DFT is also just a matrix,

$$\mathbf{D}_{N}^{-1} = \frac{1}{N} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ 1 & W_{N}^{-1} & W_{N}^{-2} & \cdots & W_{N}^{-(N-1)} \\ 1 & W_{N}^{-2} & W_{N}^{-4} & \cdots & W_{N}^{-2(N-1)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & W_{N}^{-(N-1)} & W_{N}^{-2(N-1)} & \cdots & W_{N}^{-(N-1)^{2}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$=1/{}_{N}D_{N}^{*}$$

DFT and MATLAB

- MATLAB is concerned with sequences not continuous functions like $X(e^{j\omega})$
- Instead, we use the DFT to sample $X(e^{j\omega})$ on an (arbitrarily-fine) grid:
 - X = freqz(x,1,w); samples the DTFT of sequence x at angular frequencies in w
 - x = fft(x); calculates the N-point DFT of an N-point sequence x

DFT and **DTFT**

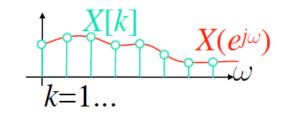
DTFT
$$X(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n]e^{-j\omega n}$$

- continuous freq ω
 - infinite x[n], $-\infty < n < \infty$

DFT
$$X[k] = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] W_N^{kn}$$

- discrete freq $k=N\omega/2\pi$
- finite x[n], $0 \le n < N$
- DFT 'samples' DTFT at discrete freqs:

$$X[k] = X(e^{j\omega})\Big|_{\omega = \frac{2\pi k}{N}} \qquad \frac{X[k]}{k-1} \qquad X(e^{j\omega})$$



DTFT from DFT

N-point DFT completely specifies the continuous DTFT of the finite sequence

$$X(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X[k] W_N^{-kn}\right) e^{-j\omega n}$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X[k] \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} e^{-j\left(\omega - \frac{2\pi k}{N}\right)n} \quad \text{"periodic sinc"}$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X[k] \cdot \frac{\sin N \frac{\Delta \omega_k}{2}}{\sin \frac{\Delta \omega_k}{2}} \cdot e^{-j\frac{(N-1)}{2} \cdot \Delta \omega_k}$$
interpolation

 $\Delta \omega_k = \omega - \frac{2\pi k}{N}$

Periodic sinc

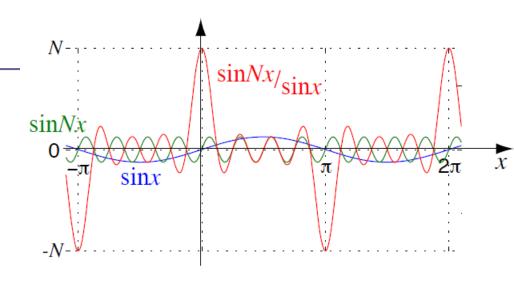
$$\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} e^{-j\Delta\omega_k n} = \frac{1 - e^{-jN\Delta\omega_k}}{1 - e^{-j\Delta\omega_k}}$$
factor out half the angle
$$= \frac{e^{-jN\Delta\omega_k/2}}{e^{-j\Delta\omega_k/2}} \cdot \frac{e^{jN\Delta\omega_k/2} - e^{-jN\Delta\omega_k/2}}{e^{j\Delta\omega_k/2} - e^{-j\Delta\omega_k/2}}$$

$$= e^{-j\frac{(N-1)}{2}\cdot\Delta\omega_k} \frac{\sin N\frac{\Delta\omega_k}{2}}{\sin\frac{\Delta\omega_k}{2}}$$
 pure real pure phase

• = N when $\Delta \omega_k = 0$; = (-)N when $\Delta \omega_k/2 = \pi$ = 0 when $\Delta \omega_k/2 = r \cdot \pi/N$, $r = \pm 1, \pm 2, ...$ other values in-between...

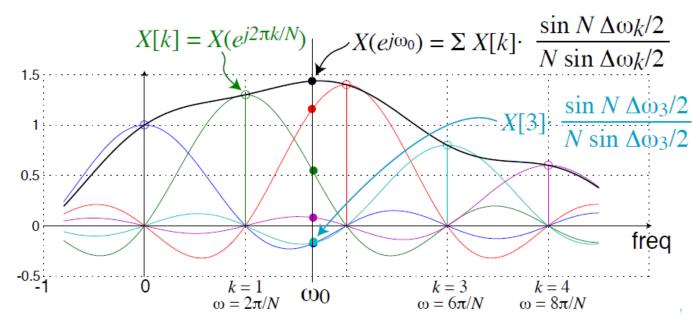
Periodic sinc

 $\frac{\sin Nx}{\sin x}$



DFT→ DTFT = interpolation by periodic sinc





DFT from overlength **DTFT**

- If x[n] has more than N points, can still form $X[k] = X(e^{j\omega})\Big|_{\omega = \frac{2\pi k}{N}}$
- IDFT of X[k] will give N point $\tilde{x}[n]$
- How does $\tilde{x}[n]$ relate to x[n]?

DFT from overlength DTFT

$$x[n] \xrightarrow{DTFT} X(e^{j\omega}) \xrightarrow{sample} X[k] \xrightarrow{IDFT} \tilde{x}[n]$$

$$-A \le n < B \qquad 0 \le n < N$$

$$\begin{split} \tilde{x}[n] &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \left(\sum_{\ell=-\infty}^{\infty} x[\ell] W_N^{k\ell} \right) W_N^{-nk} \\ &= 1 \text{ for } n\text{-}l = rN, r \in \mathbf{I} \\ &= \sum_{\ell=-\infty}^{\infty} x[\ell] \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} W_N^{k(\ell-n)} \right)^{=0} \text{ otherwise} \end{split}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{x}[n] = \sum_{r=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n-rN] \quad \text{all values shifted by} \\ \underset{0 \le n < N}{\Rightarrow \tilde{x}[n]} = \sum_{r=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n-rN] \quad \text{exact multiples of N pts} \\ \text{to lie in $0 < n < N$}$$

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DFT from **DTFT** example

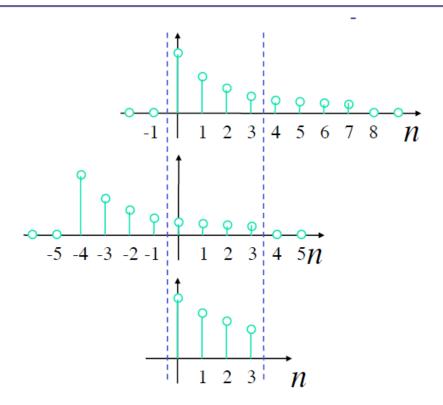
- If $x[n] = \{ 8, 5, 4, 3, 2, 2, 1, 1 \}$ (8 point)
- We form X[k] for $k=0,\,1,\,2,\,3$ by sampling $X(e^{j\omega})$ at $\omega=0,\,\pi/2,\,\pi,\,3\pi/2$
- IDFT of X[k] gives 4 pt $\tilde{x}[n] = \sum_{r=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n-rN]$
- Overlap only for r = -1:

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{x}[n] = \begin{cases} 8 & 5 & 4 & 3 \\ + & + & + & + \\ 2 & 2 & 2 & 1 \end{cases} = \{10 & 7 & 5 & 4\}$$

DFT from **DTFT** example

 $\mathbf{x}[n]$

- x[n+N] (r=-1)
- $\tilde{x}[n]$



• $\tilde{x}[n]$ is the time aliased or 'folded down' version of x[n].

Properties: Circular time shift

- DFT properties mirror DTFT, with twists:
- Time shift must stay within N-pt 'window'

$$g[\langle n - n_0 \rangle_N] \longleftrightarrow W_N^{kn_0} G[k]$$

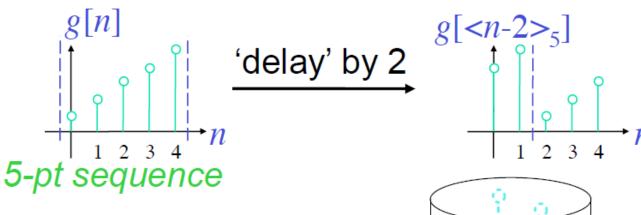
• Modulo-N indexing keeps index between 0 and N-1:

$$g[\langle n - n_0 \rangle_N] = \begin{cases} g[n - n_0] & n \ge n_0 \\ g[N + n - n_0] & n < n_0 \end{cases}$$

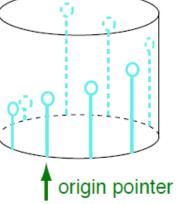
$$0 \le n_0 < N$$

Circular time shift

 Points shifted out to the right don't disappear – they come in from the left



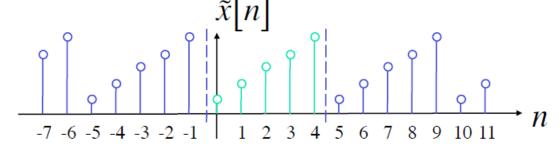
Like a 'barrel shifter':



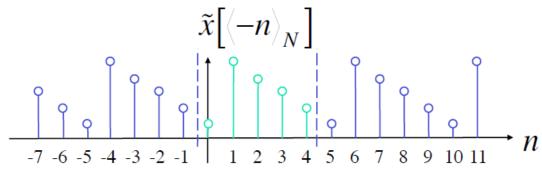
Circular time reversal

Time reversal is tricky in 'modulo-N' indexing - not reversing the sequence:

5-pt sequence made periodic



Time-reversed periodic sequence



Zero point stays fixed; remainder flips.

Duality

- DFT and IDFT are very similar
 - both map an N-pt vector to an N-pt vector
- Duality:

 i.e. if you treat DFT sequence as a time sequence, result is almost symmetric

2. Convolution with the DFT

- IDTFT of product of DTFTs of two N-pt sequences is their 2N-1 pt convolution
- IDFT of the product of two N-pt DFTs can only give N points!
- Equivalent of 2N-1 pt result time aliased:
 - i.e. $y_c[n] = \sum_{r=-\infty}^{\infty} y_l[n+rN]$ $(0 \le n < N)$
 - must be, because G[k]H[k] are exact samples of $G(e^{j\omega})H(e^{j\omega})$
- This is known as circular convolution

Circular convolution

- Can also do entire convolution with modulo-N indexing
- Hence, Circular Convolution:

$$\sum_{m=0}^{N-1} g[m]h[\langle n-m\rangle_N] \longleftrightarrow G[k]H[k]$$

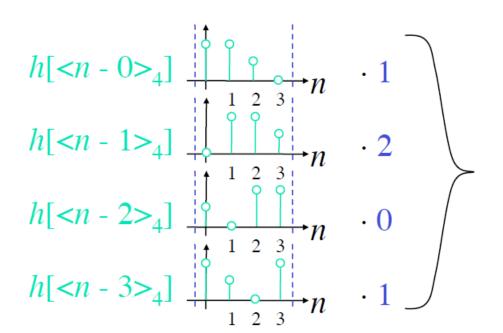
• Written as $g[n] \otimes h[n]$

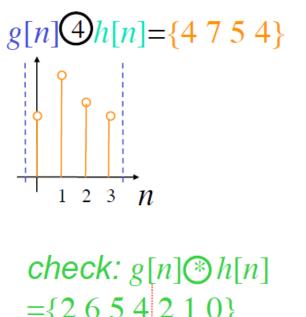
Circular convolution example

4 pt sequences:

$$\sum_{m=0}^{N-1} g[m] h[\langle n-m \rangle_N]$$

$$g[n] = \{1 \ 2 \ 0 \ 1\} \quad h[n] = \{2 \ 2 \ 1 \ 0\}$$





 $= \{2654210\}$

DFT properties summary

Circular convolution

$$\sum_{m=0}^{N-1} g[m] h[\langle n-m \rangle_N] \iff G[k] H[k]$$

Modulation

$$g[n] \cdot h[n] \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{N} \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} G[m] H[\langle k-m \rangle_N]$$

Duality

$$G[n] \leftrightarrow N \cdot g[\langle -k \rangle_N]$$

Parseval

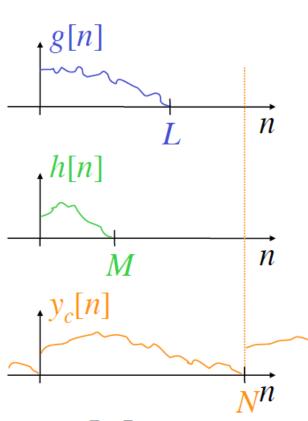
$$\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} |x[n]|^2 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} |X[k]|^2$$

Linear convolution w/ the DFT

- DFT → fast circular convolution
- .. but we need linear convolution
- Circular conv. is time-aliased linear conv.; can aliasing be avoided?
- e.g. convolving L-pt g[n] with M-pt h[n]: $y[n] = g[n] \circledast h[n]$ has L+M-1 nonzero pts
- Set DFT size $N \ge L + M 1 \rightarrow$ no aliasing

Linear convolution w/ the DFT

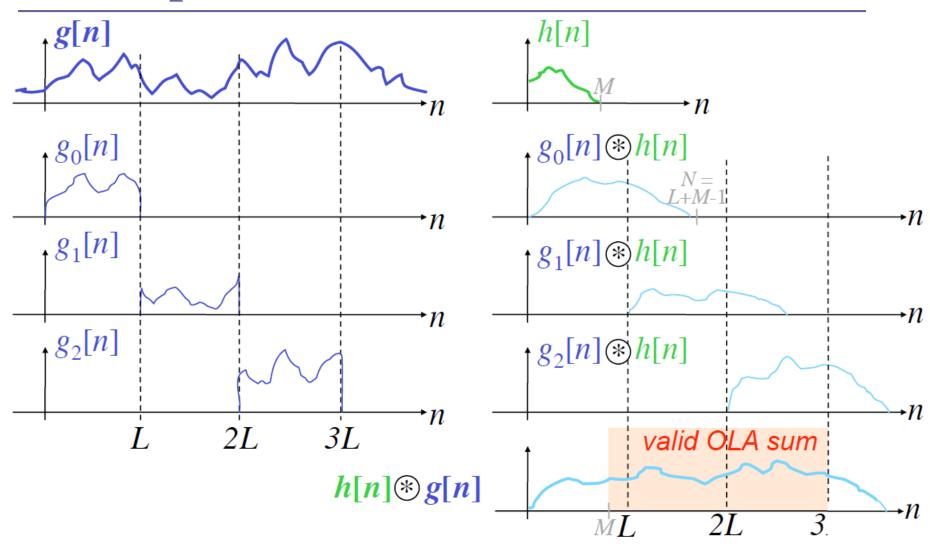
- Procedure (N = L + M 1):
 - pad L-pt g[n] with (at least)
 M-1 zeros
 - \rightarrow N-pt DFT G[k], k = 0..N-1
 - pad M-pt h[n] with (at least)
 L-1 zeros
 - \rightarrow N-pt DFT H[k], k = 0..N-1
 - $Y[k] = G[k] \cdot H[k], k = 0..N-1$



Overlap-Add convolution

- Very long g[n] → break up into segments, convolve piecewise, overlap
 - → bound size of DFT, processing delay
- Make $g_i[n] = \begin{cases} g[n] & i \cdot N \leq n < (i+1) \cdot N \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
 - $\Rightarrow g[n] = \sum_{i} g_{i}[n]$ $\Rightarrow h[n] \circledast g[n] = \sum_{i} h[n] \circledast g_{i}[n]$
- Called Overlap-Add (OLA) convolution

Overlap-Add convolution



DFT of Truncated Signals

What if the signal is not time-limited?
 We can think of limiting the sum to
 N points as a truncation of the signal:

$$x_{w}[n] = w[n]x[n]$$

$$w[n] = \begin{cases} 1, & n = 0, 1, 2, ..., N \\ 0, & otherwise \end{cases}$$

- What are the implications of this in the frequency domain? (Hint: convolution)
- Popular Windows:
 - Rectangular:

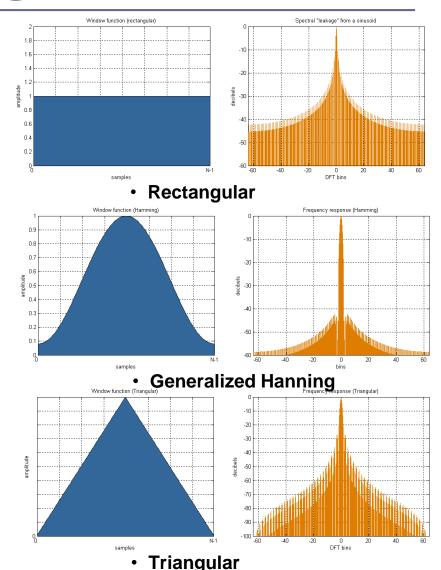
$$w[n] = \begin{cases} 1, & n = 0, 1, 2, ..., N \\ 0, & otherwise \end{cases}$$

Generalized Hanning:

$$w[n] = \alpha + (1 - \alpha)\cos(\frac{2\pi n}{N - 1})$$

Triangular:

$$w[n] = \frac{2}{N} (\frac{N}{2} - \left| n - \frac{N-1}{2} \right|)$$



Impact on Spectral Estimation

- The spectrum of a windowed sinewave is the convolution of two impulse functions with the frequency response of the window.
- For two closely spaced sinewaves, there is "leakage" between each sinewave's spectrum.

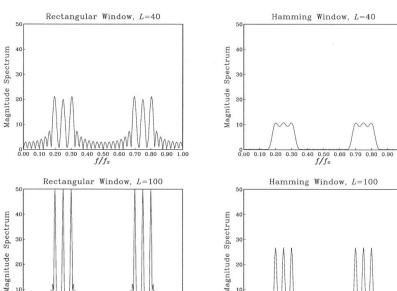


Fig. 9.1.9 Rectangular and Hamming spectra for L = 40 and 100.

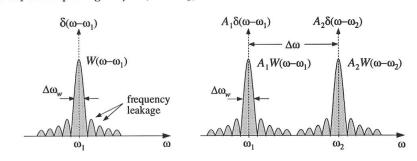


Fig. 9.1.3 Spectra of windowed single and double sinusoids.

- The impact of this leakage can be mitigated by using a window function with a narrower main lobe.
- For example, consider the spectrum of three sinewaves computed using a rectangular and a Hamming window.
- We see that for the same number of points, the spectrum produced by the Hamming window separates the sinewayes.
- What is the computational cost?