## CS 370 - Numerical Computation

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# Fourier Analysis

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• Basic Idea

- Transform some function/data into a form that reveals frequency of information in data
- Process/analyze it in this frequency domain form, which makes some tasks easier
- Transform back
- Original data/function is in "time domain" if f is a function of time f(t)
- Original data/function is in "Spatial domain" if f is a function of space/position f(x)

## 5.1 Continuous Fourier Series

- Consider some periodic function f(t) with period T so,  $f(t \pm T) = f(t)$
- The goal is to represent any f(t) as an infinite sum of trig functions

$$f(t) = a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \cos(\frac{2\pi kt}{T}) + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k \sin(\frac{2\pi kt}{T})$$

 $a_k, b_k$  indicate the amplitude for each sinusoid of a specific period  $\frac{T}{k}$  or frequency  $\frac{k}{T}$  Higher Integer k indicates shorter period & higher wave frequency

#### 5.1.1 Determine the Coefficients

• Assume that the range of t is  $t \in [0, 2\pi]$  and period T = 2n

$$f(t) = a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \cos(kt) + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k \sin(kt)$$

#### **Orthogonality Relations**

- $\int_0^{2\pi} \cos(kt) \sin(jt) dt = 0$  for any integers k,j
- $\int_0^{2\pi} \cos(kt) \cos(jt) dt = 0$  for  $k \neq j$
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Using this we can find the coefficients by solving integrals

$$a_0 = \frac{\int_0^{2\pi} f(t)dt}{2\pi 2}$$

$$a_k = \frac{\int_0^{2\pi} f(t)\cos(kt)dt}{\int_0^{2\pi} \cos^2(kt)dt}$$

$$b_k = \frac{\int_0^{2\pi} f(t)\sin(kt)dt}{\int_0^{2\pi} \sin^2(kt)dt}$$

## 5.1.2 Fourier Series with Complex Exponentials

• the sinusoidal expression can be represented as

$$f(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} c_k e^{ikt}$$

Where  $c_k$  are complex numbers

• We can derive a simple conversion

$$a_0 = c_0$$

$$c_k = \frac{a_k}{2} - \frac{ib_k}{2}$$

$$c_{-k} = \frac{a_k}{2} + \frac{ib_k}{2}$$

• Which gives us the relationships

$$|a_0| = |c_0|$$
  
 $|c_k| = |c_{-k}| = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{a_k^2 + b_k^2}$ 

• The orthogonality property is

$$\int_{0}^{2\pi} e^{ikt} e^{-ilt} dt = \begin{cases} 0; k \neq 1 \\ 2\pi; k = 1 \end{cases}$$

• Which gives us

$$c_k = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{ikt} f(t) dt$$

## 5.2 Discrete Fourier Transform

• Given N point and period T, assuming N is even the series can be approximated as

$$f(t) \approx \sum_{-\frac{N}{2}+1}^{N/2} c_k e^{\frac{(2\pi i)kt}{T}}$$

By plugging in N data points will give N equations with unknown This leads towards the (inverse) Discrete Fourier Transform

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#### 5.2.1 Inverse Discrete Fourier Transform

• Discrete data  $f_n$  is expressed as sum of coefficients  $F_k$  times complex exponentials

$$f_n = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} F_k e^{i(\frac{2\pi nk}{N})} = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} F_k W^{nk}$$

- $\bullet$  With  $W=e^{\frac{2\pi i}{N}}$  ,  $W^k=e^{\frac{2\pi ik}{N}}$  which represents the Nth roots of unit
- Using this we find that the inverse is (DFT)

$$F_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f_n W^{-nk}$$

# 5.3 DFT Properties

- The sequence  $\{F_k\}$  is doubly infinite and periodic
- Conjugate symmetry : if data  $f_n$  is real,  $F_k = F_{N-k}^-$ Hence the  $|F_k|$  are symmetric about  $k=\frac{N}{2}$

### 5.4 Fast Fourier Transform

If  $N \neq 2^m$ , pad initial data with 0's

- 1. Split The full DFT into two DFT's of half the length
- 2. Repeat recursively
- 3. Finish at the base case : the DFT of individual pairs of numbers

## 5.4.1 Dividing Up

$$g_n = \frac{1}{2} (f_n + f_{n + \frac{N}{2}})$$

$$h_n = \frac{1}{2} (f_n - f_{n + \frac{N}{2}}) W^{-n}$$

Then  $F_{even} = DFT(g)$  and  $F_{odd} = DFT(h)$