

## **Signals & Systems**

**EEE-223**

Lab # 11



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### Pre Lab

Fourier transform is used to transform a time domain signal into frequency domain. As some times frequency domain reveals more information as compared to time domain. In this lab, the Fourier transform for continuous-time signals will be discussed which is known as continuous-time Fourier transform (CTFT). By applying, Fourier transform to a continuous time signal  $x(t)$ , we obtain a representation of the signal at the cyclic frequency domain  $\Omega$  or equivalently at the frequency domain  $f$ .

The Fourier transform is denoted by the symbol  $F\{\cdot\}$ ; that is, one can write (11.1) as

$$X(\Omega) = F\{x(t)\} \quad (11.1)$$

In other words, the Fourier transform of a signal  $x(t)$  is a signal  $X(\Omega)$ . An alternative way of writing eq. (11.1) is given in eq. (11.2) and eq. (11.3) shows mathematical form of Fourier transform.

$$x(t) \xrightarrow{F} X(\Omega) \quad (11.2)$$

$$X(\Omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j\Omega t} dt, \quad (11.3)$$

From eq. (11.3) it is clear that  $X(\Omega)$  is complex function of  $\Omega$ . Where  $\Omega = 2\pi f$  substituting in eq. (11.3) we get

$$X(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j2\pi f t} dt, \quad (11.4)$$

In order to return from the frequency domain back to the time domain the *inverse* Fourier transform is implemented. The inverse Fourier transform is denoted by the symbol; i.e.  $F^{-1}\{.\}$

$$x(t) = F^{-1}\{X(\Omega)\} \quad (11.5)$$

or alternatively,

$$X(\Omega) \xrightarrow{F^{-1}} x(t) \quad (11.6)$$

Mathematically, inverse Fourier transform is given by

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(\Omega) e^{j\Omega t} dt, \quad (11.7)$$

or

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(\Omega) e^{j2\pi f t} dt, \quad (11.8)$$

The cyclic frequency  $\Omega$  is measured in rad/s, while the frequency  $f$  is measured in Hertz. The Fourier transform of a signal is called (frequency) *spectrum*. MATLAB command for Fourier transform is “fourier” and for inverse Fourier transform it is “ifourier”.

## In-Lab Tasks

### Task-1

Compute the Fourier transform of  $x(t) = e^{-t^2}$ . MATLAB code is given in following, run this code and compare your output using eq. (11.3). Write your code and results in following.

```
syms w t
x = exp(-t.^2);
X=foprier(x,w);
```

#### OUTPUT

```
X =
pi^(1/2)*exp(-w^2/4)
```

### Task-2

Compute the inverse Fourier transform of  $X = \exp(-1/4*w^2)*\pi^{1/2}$  using the command for inverse Fourier transform and also verify your result using eq. (11.7). Give your results in following.

```
syms t w
X = exp(-1/4*w^2)*pi^(1/2);
ifoprier(X,w)
```

#### OUTPUT

```
ans =
(3991211251234741*exp(-w^2))/(2251799813685248*pi^(1/2))
```

### Task-3

Compute the inverse Fourier transform of the function  $X(\Omega) = 1/(1 + j\Omega)$  using command of Fourier and then take inverse of the resultant  $x(t)$  to produce again  $X(\Omega)$ .

#### Part 1)

```
syms t w
x = 1/(1+(1i*w))
foprier(x,t)
```

#### OUTPUT

```
x =
1/(1 + w*-i)

ans =
-pi*exp(t)*(sign(t) - 1)
```

#### Part 2)

```
syms f
w = 2*pi*f
syms t
x = -pi*exp(t)*(sign(t) - 1)
ifoprier(x,w)
```

#### OUTPUT

```
w =
2*pi*f
x =
-pi*exp(t)*(sign(t) - 1)
ans =
1/(pi*f*2i + 1)
```

#### Task-4

Let  $x(t) = 1$ , compute its Fourier transform to produce  $X(w)$  and then take inverse Fourier transform of  $X(w)$  to get back  $x(t)$ , using commands of Fourier transform.

##### Part 1)

```
syms t w
x=1
X=foprier(x,w)
```

##### OUTPUT

```
x =
    1
X =
2*pi*dirac(w)
```

##### Part 2)

```
syms t w
x=2*pi*dirac(w)
x=ifoprier(x,t)
```

##### OUTPUT

```
x =
2*pi*dirac(w)
x =
    1
```

### Task-5

Let  $x(t) = u(t)$ , compute its Fourier transform, take inverse Fourier transform of the resultant signal to get back  $x(t)$ .

#### Part 1)

```
t=0:1:5
syms w
x=t>=0
X=foprier(x,w)
```

#### OUTPUT

```
t =
0 1 2 3 4 5
x =
1×6 logical array
1 1 1 1 1 1
X =
[ 2*pi*dirac(w), 2*pi*dirac(w), 2*pi*dirac(w), 2*pi*dirac(w),
2*pi*dirac(w), 2*pi*dirac(w)]
```

#### Part 2)

```
syms t w
x=[ 2*pi*dirac(w), 2*pi*dirac(w), 2*pi*dirac(w), 2*pi*dirac(w),
2*pi*dirac(w), 2*pi*dirac(w)]
x=ifoprier(x,t)
```

#### OUTPUT

```
x =
[ 2*pi*dirac(w), 2*pi*dirac(w), 2*pi*dirac(w), 2*pi*dirac(w),
2*pi*dirac(w), 2*pi*dirac(w)]
x =
[ 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1]
```



### Task-6

Let  $x(t) = \delta(t)$ , compute its Fourier transform, take inverse Fourier transform of the resultant signal and state whether it is possible to get back  $x(t)$  or not?

#### Part 1)

```
syms t
x=dirac(t)
X=foprier(x,w)
```

#### OUTPUT

```
x =
dirac(t)
X =
1
```

#### Part 2)

```
syms t
x=1
X=ifoprier(x,t)
```

#### OUTPUT

```
x =
1

X =
dirac(t)
```

Hence it is possible to get  $x(t)$  back

### Task-7

Prove that  $x(t) = \delta(t - 2)$  and  $X(\Omega) = e^{-j2\Omega}$ , are Fourier transform pairs of each other.

#### Part 1)

```
syms t
x=dirac(t-2)
X=foprier(x,w)
```

#### OUTPUT

```
x =
dirac(t - 2)
X =
exp(-w*2i)
```

#### Part 2)

```
syms t w
x=exp(-w*2i)
X=ifoprier(x,t)
```

#### OUTPUT

```
x =
exp(-w*2i)
X =
dirac(t - 2)
```

**Hence  $x(t)$  and  $X(\Omega)$  are Fourier transform pairs of each other.**

### Task-8

Prove that  $x(t) = u(t - 2)$  and  $X(\Omega) = \exp(-2 * j * w) * (\pi * \delta(w) - j/w)$ , are Fourier transform pairs of each other.

Part 1)

```
syms w t x
a = heaviside(x-2);
A=foprier(a,w)
```

**OUTPUT**

```
A =
exp(-w*2i)*(pi*dirac(w) - 1i/w)
```

Part 2)

```
syms w t x
A=exp(-2*j*w)*(pi*dirac(w)-j/w);
a=ifoprier(A,w)
```

**OUTPUT**

```
a =
(pi + pi*sign(w - 2))/(2*pi)
```

**Hence  $x(t)$  and  $X(\Omega)$  are Fourier transform pairs of each other.**

**Critical Analysis / Conclusion**

In this lab we learnt how to transform a continuous time domain signal into continuous frequency domain using the concept of Fourier Transform. we also learned how to take inverse Fourier Transform using MATLAB.

**Lab Assessment**

**Pre-Lab**

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**In-Lab**

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**Critical Analysis**

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