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In [1]: %matplotlib inline
import numpy as np
from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
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Properties of 1D Fourier Transform

definition of Fourier transform and its inverse transformation

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Relationship with discrete Fourier transformation

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Definitions

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The Fourier transformation of function $f(t)$ is defined by equation:

$$F(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \cdot \exp[-j \cdot 2\pi \cdot f \cdot t] \cdot dt$$

In a signal processing context variable t is often referred to as **time** and f is then referred to as **frequency**. And even if the meaning of variable t and f changes with the application context we still use the notion *time* and *frequency* throughout.

If the Fourier transform $F(f)$ exists there is an *inverse* Fourier transform defined by equation:

$$f(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(f) \cdot \exp[j \cdot 2\pi \cdot f \cdot t] \cdot df$$

Proof

$$f(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \cdot \exp\left[j \cdot 2\pi \cdot f \cdot (t - t')\right] \cdot df \cdot dt'$$

$$f(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t') \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp \left[j \cdot 2\pi \cdot f \cdot (t - t') \right] \cdot df \cdot dt'$$

$$\delta(t - t')$$

Observing that in this equation the second integral is just the *delta* function:

$$\delta(t - t') = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp \left[j \cdot 2\pi \cdot f \cdot (t - t') \right] \cdot df$$

We obtain:

$$f(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t') \cdot \delta(t - t') \cdot dt' := f(t)$$

Excursion / Delta function

In the definition of the delta function only the real part of $\exp \left[j \cdot 2\pi \cdot f \cdot (t - t') \right]$ contributes to the integral. Hence the delta function is real function.

$$\delta(t - t') = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cos \left[2\pi \cdot f \cdot (t - t') \right] \cdot df$$

Another approach defines the delta function as the limit of an integral like this:

$$\delta(t - t') = \lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-a}^a \exp \left[j \cdot 2\pi \cdot f \cdot (t - t') \right] \cdot df$$

$$\delta(t - t') = \lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin \left(2\pi \cdot a \cdot (t - t') \right)}{\pi \cdot (t - t')}$$

For finite value of a and the limiting case $(t - t') \rightarrow 0$ we obtain:

$$\lim_{(t - t') \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \left(2\pi \cdot a \cdot (t - t') \right)}{\pi \cdot (t - t')} = 2 \cdot a$$

Below it is shown how function $\frac{\sin \left(2\pi \cdot a \cdot (t - t') \right)}{\pi \cdot (t - t')}$ becomes more and more localised around

$t = t'$ as factor a increases.

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In [2]: def sinDelta(a, t, ts):
        z0 = 1e-6
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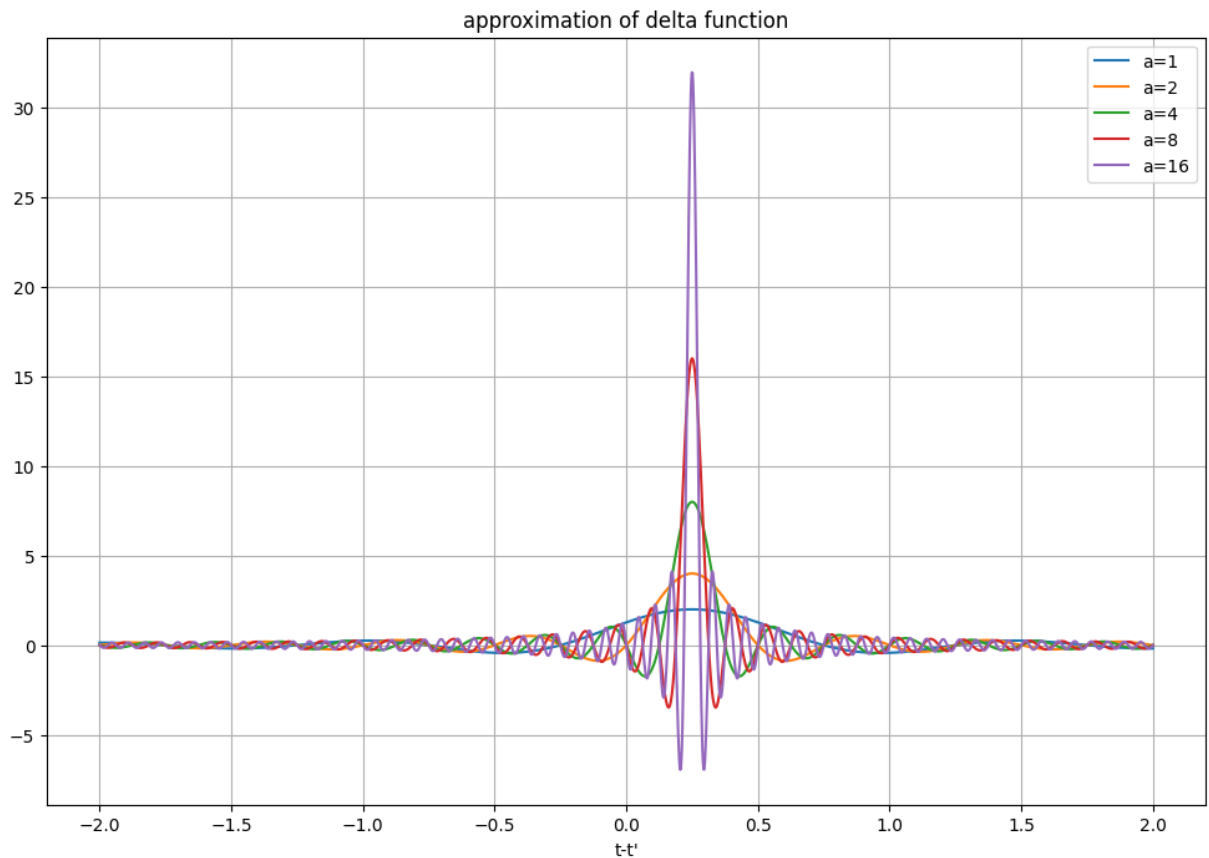
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    args = np.pi * (t - ts)
    args[np.abs(args) < z0] = z0
    return np.sin(2*a*args)/args

t = np.linspace(-2,2, 2000)
delta_a_1 = sinDelta(1, t, 0.25)
delta_a_2 = sinDelta(2, t, 0.25)
delta_a_4 = sinDelta(4, t, 0.25)
delta_a_8 = sinDelta(8, t, 0.25)
delta_a_16 = sinDelta(16, t, 0.25)

# graphics
fig1 = plt.figure(1, figsize=[12, 8])
ax_f1 = fig1.add_subplot(1, 1, 1)
ax_f1.plot(t, delta_a_1, label="a=1")
ax_f1.plot(t, delta_a_2, label="a=2")
ax_f1.plot(t, delta_a_4, label="a=4")
ax_f1.plot(t, delta_a_8, label="a=8")
ax_f1.plot(t, delta_a_16, label="a=16")
ax_f1.legend()
ax_f1.grid(True)
ax_f1.set_xlabel('t-t\'')
ax_f1.set_title('approximation of delta function');

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Convolution

Definition

$$g(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(v) \cdot h(t-v) \cdot dv$$

What is the Fourier transform $G(f)$ of the convolution function $g(t)$?

$$G(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t) \cdot \exp[-j \cdot 2\pi \cdot f \cdot t] \cdot dt$$

$$G(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(v) \cdot h(t-v) \cdot \exp[-j \cdot 2\pi \cdot f \cdot t] \cdot dt \cdot dv$$

Applying variable substitution

$$t' = t - v \text{ and therefore } t = t' + v$$

yields

$$G(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(v) \cdot h(t') \cdot \exp[-j \cdot 2\pi \cdot f \cdot t'] \cdot \exp[-j \cdot 2\pi \cdot f \cdot v] \cdot dt' \cdot dv$$

$$G(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(v) \cdot \exp[-j \cdot 2\pi \cdot f \cdot v] \cdot dv \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(t') \cdot \exp[-j \cdot 2\pi \cdot f \cdot t'] \cdot dt'$$

$$\check{F}(f)$$

$$\check{H}(f)$$

$$G(f) = F(f) \cdot H(f)$$

Periodic repetitions

Some useful properties of periodic functions are discussed here. We start with a function which is periodic in the time domain variable t .

Then we repeat this process with a frequency periodic function.

Time Domain

A function $g(t)$ that is repeated with period T_p may be expressed by an infinite summation.

$$g_p(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} g(t + n \cdot T_p)$$

Since $g_p(t)$ is periodic it may be expressed by a Fourier series:

$$g_p(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} C_n \cdot \exp\left(j \cdot 2\pi \cdot n \cdot \frac{t}{T_p}\right)$$

Denoting the fundamental frequency f_s by $f_s = \frac{1}{T_p}$ a new equation for the Fourier series results:

$$g_p(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} C_n \cdot \exp(j \cdot 2\pi \cdot n \cdot f_s \cdot t)$$

The coefficients C_n of the Fourier series are computed from:

$$\int_0^{T_p} g_p(t) \cdot \exp(-j \cdot 2\pi \cdot m \cdot f_s \cdot t) \cdot dt = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} C_n \cdot \int_0^{T_p} \exp(j \cdot 2\pi \cdot (n - m) \cdot f_s \cdot t) \cdot dt$$

The integral on the right hand side of the equation is different from 0 only if $m = n$.

$$\int_0^{T_p} \exp(j \cdot 2\pi \cdot (n - m) \cdot f_s \cdot t) \cdot dt = \begin{cases} 0 & m \neq n \\ T_p & m = n \end{cases}$$

Therefore Fourier coefficients C_m are computed from:

$$C_m = \frac{1}{T_p} \int_0^{T_p} g_p(t) \cdot \exp(-j \cdot 2\pi \cdot m \cdot f_s \cdot t) \cdot dt$$

Frequency Domain

Repeating Fourier transform $G(f)$ with period f_p gives a periodic function $U_p(f)$:

$$U_p(f) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} G(f + n \cdot f_p)$$

Since $U_p(f)$ is periodic it may be expressed by a Fourier series:

$$U_p(f) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} D_n \cdot \exp\left(-j \cdot 2\pi \cdot n \cdot \frac{f}{f_p}\right)$$

Denoting the fundamental time increment t_s by $t_s = \frac{1}{f_p}$ a new equation for the Fourier series results:

$$U_p(f) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} D_n \cdot \exp(-j \cdot 2\pi \cdot n \cdot t_s \cdot f)$$

The coefficients U_n of the Fourier series are computed from:

$$\int_0^{f_p} U_p(f) \cdot \exp(j \cdot 2\pi \cdot m \cdot t_s \cdot f) \cdot df = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} D_n \cdot \int_0^{f_p} \exp(j \cdot 2\pi \cdot (m-n) \cdot t_s \cdot f) \cdot df$$

The integral on the right hand side of the equation is different from 0 only if $m = n$.

$$\int_0^{f_p} \exp(j \cdot 2\pi \cdot (m-n) \cdot t_s \cdot f) \cdot df = \begin{cases} 0 & m \neq n \\ f_p & m = n \end{cases}$$

Therefore Fourier coefficients D_m are computed from:

$$D_m = \frac{1}{f_p} \int_0^{f_p} U_p(f) \cdot \exp(j \cdot 2\pi \cdot m \cdot t_s \cdot f) \cdot df$$

Poisson sum formula

Time Domain

Inserting the definition of periodic function $g_p(t)$ into the equation of Fourier coefficients C_m gives a more useful expression.

$$C_m = \frac{1}{T_p} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_0^{T_p} g(t + n \cdot T_p) \cdot \exp(-j \cdot 2\pi \cdot m \cdot f_s \cdot t) \cdot dt$$

Doing variable substitution $t' = t + n \cdot T_p$:

$$C_m = \frac{1}{T_p} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{n \cdot T_p}^{(n+1) \cdot T_p} g(t') \cdot \exp(-j \cdot 2\pi \cdot m \cdot f_s \cdot (t' - n \cdot T_p)) \cdot dt' C_m = \frac{1}{T_p} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{n \cdot T_p}^{(n+1) \cdot T_p} g(t')$$

The combination of the *infinite* sum and the *finite* integral can be compactly expressed by an integral with infinite limits. The integral is just the value of the Fourier transform $G(f)$ at the specific frequency $m \cdot f_s$:

$$C_m = \frac{1}{T_p} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t') \cdot \exp(-j \cdot 2\pi \cdot m \cdot f_s \cdot t') \cdot dt' C_m = \frac{1}{T_p} \cdot G(m \cdot f_s)$$

$G(\overset{\curvearrowright}{m \cdot f_s})$

Finally the periodic function can be written as infinite series

$$g_p(t) = \frac{1}{T_p} \cdot \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} G(n \cdot f_s) \cdot \exp(j \cdot 2\pi \cdot n \cdot f_s \cdot t)$$

This equation is often referred to as **Poisson Sum Formula**. It follows that the sample values $G(n \cdot f_s)$ of the Fourier transform $G(f)$ equal the Fourier series coefficients of a periodic

function $T_p \cdot g_p(t)$.

Application

Applying a time shift τ results in a slightly modified set of Fourier series coefficients:

$$g_p(t - \tau) = \frac{1}{T_p} \cdot \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} G(n \cdot f_s) \cdot \exp(-j \cdot 2\pi \cdot n \cdot f_s \cdot \tau) \cdot \exp(j \cdot 2\pi \cdot n \cdot f_s \cdot t)$$

Frequency domain

Inserting the definition of periodic function $U_p(f)$ into the equation of Fourier coefficients D_m gives a more useful expression.

$$D_m = \frac{1}{f_p} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_0^{f_p} G(f + n \cdot f_p) \cdot \exp(j \cdot 2\pi \cdot m \cdot t_s \cdot f) \cdot df$$

Doing variable substitution $f' = f + n \cdot f_p$:

$$D_m = \frac{1}{f_p} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{n \cdot f_p}^{(n+1) \cdot f_p} G(f') \cdot \exp(j \cdot 2\pi \cdot m \cdot t_s \cdot f') \cdot df'$$

The combination of the *infinite* sum and the *finite* integral can be compactly expressed by an integral with infinite limits. The integral is just the value of the inverse Fourier transform $g(f)$ at the specific time instant $m \cdot t_s$:

$$D_m = \frac{1}{f_p} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(f') \cdot \exp(j \cdot 2\pi \cdot m \cdot t_s \cdot f') \cdot df'$$

$$g(\overset{\omega}{m \cdot t_s})$$

Finally the periodic function $U_p(f)$ can be written as infinite series

$$U_p(f) = \frac{1}{f_p} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} g(n \cdot t_s) \cdot \exp(-j \cdot 2\pi \cdot n \cdot t_s \cdot f)$$

From Fourier series to Discrete Fourier series

Time Domain

The periodic function $g_p(t)$ is sampled at equidistant time instants $t = m \cdot t_s$. The sampling time t_s is defined as an integer fraction of the period T_p , $t_s = \frac{T_p}{N}$. (N samples per period T_p)

$$g_p(m \cdot t_s) = \frac{1}{T_p} \cdot \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} G(n \cdot f_s) \cdot \exp(j \cdot 2\pi \cdot n \cdot m \cdot f_s \cdot t_s) g_p(m \cdot t_s) = \frac{1}{T_p} \cdot \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} G(n \cdot f_s) \cdot \exp(j \cdot 2\pi \cdot n \cdot m \cdot f_s \cdot t_s)$$

Using indices

$$n = k + r \cdot N \quad k = 0, \dots, N-1 \quad r = \dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots$$

samples $g_p(m \cdot t_s)$ are given by:

$$g_p(m \cdot t_s) = \frac{1}{T_p} \cdot \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \sum_{r=-\infty}^{\infty} G((k + r \cdot N) \cdot f_s) \cdot \exp(j \cdot \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot (k + r \cdot N) \cdot m) g_p(m \cdot t_s) = \frac{1}{T_p} \cdot \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \sum_{r=-\infty}^{\infty} G((k + r \cdot N) \cdot f_s) \cdot \exp(j \cdot \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot (k + r \cdot N) \cdot m)$$

Here $G_a(k \cdot f_s)$ denote the *aliased* coefficients defined by equation:

$$G_a(k \cdot f_s) = \sum_{r=-\infty}^{\infty} G((k + r \cdot N) \cdot f_s)$$

Apparently the aliased coefficients G_a are periodic with period $N \cdot f_s$:

$$G_a(k \cdot f_s) = G_a(k \cdot f_s + m \cdot N \cdot f_s)$$

$$g_p(m \cdot t_s) = \frac{1}{T_p} \cdot \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} G_a(k \cdot f_s) \cdot \exp(j \cdot \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot k \cdot m)$$

How to get $G_a(k \cdot f_s)$ from $g_a(k \cdot t_s)$

Recipe

$$\sum_{m=0}^{N-1} g_p(m \cdot t_s) \cdot \exp(-j \cdot \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot n \cdot m) = \frac{1}{T_p} \cdot \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} G_a(k \cdot f_s) \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} \exp(j \cdot \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot (k - n) \cdot m) G_a(k \cdot f_s) = \frac{1}{T_p} \cdot \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} G_a(k \cdot f_s) \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} \exp(j \cdot \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot (k - n) \cdot m)$$

N if $k=n$; 0 otherwise

Frequency Domain

The periodic function $U_p(f)$ is sampled at equidistant frequencies $f = m \cdot f_s$. Specifically we

choose $f_s = \frac{1}{T_p}$. With this choice we have $t_s \cdot f_s = \frac{1}{N}$.

$$U_p(m \cdot f_s) = \frac{1}{f_p} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} g(n \cdot t_s) \cdot \exp(-j \cdot 2\pi \cdot n \cdot t_s \cdot m \cdot f_s) U_p(m \cdot f_s) = \frac{1}{f_p} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} g(n \cdot t_s) \cdot \exp\left(-j \cdot \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot n \cdot m\right)$$

Using indices

$$n = k + r \cdot N \quad k = 0, \dots, N-1 \quad r = \dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots$$

samples $U_p(m \cdot f_s)$ are given by:

$$U_p(m \cdot f_s) = \frac{1}{f_p} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \sum_{r=-\infty}^{\infty} g(k \cdot t_s + r \cdot N \cdot t_s) \cdot \exp\left(-j \cdot \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot k \cdot m\right) g_a(k \cdot t_s)$$

Here $g_a(k \cdot t_s)$ denote the *aliased* coefficients defined by equation:

$$g_a(k \cdot t_s) = \sum_{r=-\infty}^{\infty} g(k \cdot t_s + r \cdot N \cdot t_s) = \sum_{r=-\infty}^{\infty} g(k \cdot t_s + r \cdot T_p)$$

The aliased coefficients are periodic :

$$g_a(k \cdot t_s) = g_a(k \cdot t_s + M \cdot T_p)$$

Only if the function $g(t)$ is time limited for an interval of duration $\leq T_p$ the samples of $g_a(k \cdot t_s)$ can be used to *recover* the original samples $g(k \cdot t_s)$.

$$U_p(m \cdot f_s) = \frac{1}{f_p} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} g_a(k \cdot t_s) \cdot \exp\left(-j \cdot \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot k \cdot m\right)$$

How to get $g_a(k \cdot t_s)$ from $U_p(m \cdot f_s)$

Recipe

$$\sum_{m=0}^{N-1} U_p(m \cdot f_s) \cdot \exp\left(j \cdot \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot n \cdot m\right) = \frac{1}{f_p} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} g_a(k \cdot t_s) \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} \exp\left(j \cdot \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot (n-k) \cdot m\right) g_a(n \cdot t_s) = \frac{f_p}{N} \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} \exp\left(j \cdot \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot (n-k) \cdot m\right) g_a(n \cdot t_s)$$

N if $k=n$; $\overset{\sim}{\text{otherwise}}$ 0

Summary:

1. Samples of $U_p(m \cdot f_s)$ are related to samples $g_a(k \cdot t_s)$ via a discrete Fourier series.
2. If $g(t)$ is even time limited, samples $U_p(m \cdot f_s)$ are even directly related to the samples $g(k \cdot t_s)$.
3. ccc

1D Discrete Fourier transform (DFT)

The 1D discrete Fourier transform defines a method to transform a discrete Fourier series into another discrete Fourier series.

Let us defines a series of N coefficients A_m with $m := [0, \dots, N-1]$ and another series of N coefficients a_k with $k := [0, \dots, N-1]$.

Let coefficients a_k be defined by finite sum (*trigonometric polynomial*) like this:

$$a_k = \frac{1}{N} \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} A_m \cdot \exp\left(j \cdot \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot m \cdot k\right)$$

A similar approach allows to compute coefficients A_m from coefficients a_k :

$$\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} a_k \cdot \exp\left(-j \cdot \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot n \cdot k\right) = \frac{1}{N} \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} A_m \cdot \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \exp\left(j \cdot \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot (m-n) \cdot k\right) A_n = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} a_k \cdot \exp\left(-j \cdot \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot n \cdot k\right)$$

N : if $n=m$; 0 : otherwise

1D DFT in Scipy / Numpy

see: <https://docs.scipy.org/doc/scipy/tutorial/fft.html>

Function `fft` implements the DFT:

$$A_n = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} a_k \cdot \exp\left(-j \cdot \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot n \cdot k\right)$$

and `ifft` implements the inverse DFT (IDFT):

$$a_k = \frac{1}{N} \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} A_m \cdot \exp\left(j \cdot \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot m \cdot k\right)$$

Note

By comparison we can see that the following expressions are *transform pairs*:

$$\underbrace{\left(f_p \cdot U_p(n \cdot f_s)\right)}_{\check{A}_n} = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \underbrace{g_a(k \cdot t_s)}_{\check{a}_k} \cdot \exp\left(-j \cdot \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot k \cdot n\right)$$

and

$$\underbrace{g_a(k \cdot t_s)}_{\check{a}_k} = \frac{1}{N} \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} \underbrace{\left(f_p \cdot U_p(m \cdot f_s)\right)}_{\check{A}_m} \cdot \exp\left(j \cdot \frac{2\pi}{N} \cdot k \cdot m\right)$$

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