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## 04 - part 4 - Fast Fourier Transform

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In [1]: import numpy as np
import imageio
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import time
from cmath import exp, pi
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The Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) is a *divide and conquer* algorithm that recursively splits the input array into two parts: one for the odd indices, and another for the even indices, until the trivial case is achieved.

It is important to note that complex exponentials (that can be decomposed into a sum of sine and cosine) are periodic and symmetric, and from those properties the FFT is defined.

In particular, from  $e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}xu}$ , we isolate the constant term, and define it as a variable:  $W = e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}}$ . Note  $W$  is constant because it does not depend on the time sampling (controlled by  $x$ ), nor depends on the frequencies ( $u$ ).

For example, for a signal with 4 observations, i.e.  $N = 4$ :

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In [4]: N = 4
W = exp(-1j*(2*pi)/N)
print(W)
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(6.123233995736766e-17-1j)
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This value does not depend on  $u$  nor  $x$ . The two properties we are going to use to implement the FFT are:

1. periodicity in  $u, x$ :  $W_N^{ux} = W_N^{u(N+x)} = W_N^{(u+N)x}$
2. symmetry of the complex conjugate:  $W_N^{u(N-x)} = W_N^{-ux} = (W_N^{ux})^*$  for example this is easy to see for  $x = N$ ,  $W_N^{uN} = e^{-j2\pi u} = 1$

Now we define the **division** step of the algorithm. This is done by decomposing the transform into even and odd indices of  $x$ . To avoid a cluttered notation, let us express the transform in terms of the variable  $W$ :

$$F(u) = \sum_{x=0}^{N-1} f(x)W_N^{ux}$$

Now we write the function of evaluating the even indices  $2x$  and the odd indices  $2x + 1$ :

$$F(u) = \sum_{x=0}^{N/2-1} f(2x)W_N^{u(2x)} + \sum_{x=0}^{N/2-1} f(2x+1)W_N^{u(2x+1)}$$

Note  $2x$  forms the sequence 0, 2, 4, 6, while  $2x+1$  the sequence 1, 3, 5, 7, as we

$$F(u) = \sum_{x=0}^{N/2-1} f(2x) \cdot (W_N^2)^{ux} + \sum_{x=0}^{N/2-1} f(2x+1) \cdot (W_N^2)^{(2x+1)u}$$

Let us manipulate this sum, isolating the terms that are independent of  $x$ , which is the  $W_N^u$ :

$$F(u) = \sum_{x=0}^{N/2-1} f(2x) \cdot (W_N^2)^{ux} + W_N^u \cdot \sum_{x=0}^{N/2-1} f(2x+1) \cdot (W_N^2)^{ux}$$

$$\text{But we note that } W_N^2 = e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}2} = e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N/2}} = W_{N/2}$$

and this defines the 'trick', since it allows to write the transform as:

$$F(u) = \sum_{x=0}^{N/2-1} f(2x) \cdot W_{N/2}^{ux} + W_N^u \cdot \sum_{x=0}^{N/2-1} f(2x+1) \cdot W_{N/2}^{ux}$$

The first term is the DFT of the  $N/2$  elements corresponding to the even indices, the second term is the DFT of the  $N/2$  elements related to the odd indices.

This way, we can split the DFT of  $N$  elements, in a recursive way, into two  $N/2$  DFTs, and later combine the results:

$$F(u) = F_{\text{even}}(u) + W_N^u \cdot F_{\text{odd}}(u)$$

Recall the property of symmetry of the complex conjugate:

$$F(u + N/2) = F_{\text{even}}(u) - W_N^u \cdot F_{\text{odd}}(u)$$

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In [5]: # Let us try to grasp this idea for a small example
N = 4
f = [0, 100, 200, 300]
f
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Out[5]: [0, 100, 200, 300]
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In [6]: # splitting the array into even and odd indices
f_even = f[0::2]
f_odd = f[1::2]
print(f_even)
print(f_odd)
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[0, 200]
[100, 300]
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In [7]: # recursively, we split the resulting arrays, first the even, into even and
f_even_even = f_even[0::2]
f_even_odd = f_even[1::2]
print(f_even_even)
print(f_even_odd)
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[0]
[200]
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In this simple example, we partition the elements until we reach the base case, that is when there is only 1 even and 1 odd element, allowing to compute:

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In [8]: reseven0 = f_even_even[0] + exp(-2j*pi*0/N) * f_even_odd[0]
reseven1 = f_even_even[0] - exp(-2j*pi*0/N) * f_even_odd[0]
reseven = [reseven0, reseven1]
print(reseven)
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[(200+0j), (-200+0j)]
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Now this result is stored and we execute the other 'side' of the recursion, relative to the first odd indices

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In [9]: # separate the odd indices, into even and odd indices
f_odd_even = f_odd[0::2]
f_odd_odd = f_odd[1::2]
print(f_odd_even)
print(f_odd_odd)
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[100]
[300]
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In [10]: resodd0 = f_odd_even[0] + exp(-2j*pi*0/N) * f_odd_odd[0]
resodd1 = f_odd_even[0] - exp(-2j*pi*0/N) * f_odd_odd[0]
resodd = [resodd0, resodd1]
print(resodd)
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[(400+0j), (-200+0j)]
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Now, combining the individual results (reseven and resodd):

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In [11]: # from the symmetric property, I can use the result 0 to also
# obtain the value for 0+N/2 = N/4 = 2, changing the signal
res0 = reseven[0] + exp(-2j*pi*0/N) * resodd[0]
res2 = reseven[0] - exp(-2j*pi*0/N) * resodd[0]

# similarly the result 1 is used to obtain the result of 1+N/2 = 1+N/4 = 3
res1 = reseven[1] + exp(-2j*pi*1/N) * resodd[1]
res3 = reseven[1] - exp(-2j*pi*1/N) * resodd[1]

# putting everything together
F_manual = np.array([res0, res1, res2, res3]).astype(np.complex64)
print(F_manual)
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[ 600. +0.j -200.+200.j -200. +0.j -200.-200.j]
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Let us code a function for this algorithm

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In [12]: def FFT(f):
N = len(f)
if N <= 1:
    return f

# division
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    """
    even= FFT(f[0::2])
    odd = FFT(f[1::2])

    # store combination of results
    temp = np.zeros(N).astype(np.complex64)

    # only required to compute for half the frequencies
    # since u+N/2 can be obtained from the symmetry property
    for u in range(N//2):
        temp[u] = even[u] + exp(-2j*pi*u/N) * odd[u] # conquer
        temp[u+N//2] = even[u] - exp(-2j*pi*u/N)*odd[u] # conquer

    return temp

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In [13]: # testing the function to see if it matches the manual computation
F_fft = FFT(f)
print(F_fft)

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[ 600. +0.j -200.+200.j -200. +0.j -200.-200.j]
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In [14]: # Let us compare it with the DFT1D
def DFT1D(f):
    # create empty array of complex coefficients
    F = np.zeros(f.shape, dtype=np.complex64)
    n = f.shape[0]

    # creating indices for x, allowing to compute the multiplication using r
    x = np.arange(n)
    # for each frequency 'u', perform vectorial multiplication and sum
    for u in np.arange(n):
        F[u] = np.sum(f*np.exp( (-1j * 2 * np.pi * u*x) / n ))

    return F

F_dft = DFT1D(np.array(f))
print(F_dft)

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[ 600.+0.000000e+00j -200.+2.000000e+02j -200.-7.347881e-14j
 -200.-2.000000e+02j]
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In [15]: # printing the 3 results
print(F_dft)
print(F_manual)
print(F_fft)

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[ 600.+0.000000e+00j -200.+2.000000e+02j -200.-7.347881e-14j
 -200.-2.000000e+02j]
[ 600. +0.j -200.+200.j -200. +0.j -200.-200.j]
[ 600. +0.j -200.+200.j -200. +0.j -200.-200.j]
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Due to the approximation, sometimes a small error is observed between the results.

Let us compare the running time of DFT and FFT:

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In [20]: # an array with 10000 elements
t = np.arange(0, 2, 0.0001)

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f = 1*np.sin(t*(2*np.pi) * 2) + 0.6*np.cos(t*(2*np.pi) * 8) + 0.4*np.cos(t*(
print(t.shape)
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(20000,)
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In [21]:

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start = time.time()
F_dft = DFT1D(np.array(f))
end = time.time()
elapsed = end - start
print("DFT Running time: " + str(elapsed) + " sec.")
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