

**MEMO Number CMPE323-Lab04 rev1****DATE: October 28, 2016****TO: CMPE323****FROM: EFC LaBerge****SUBJECT: Fourier Series and the Gibbs Phenomenon**

---

**1 INTRODUCTION**

This lab explores the computation of the complex coefficients of a Fourier Series by direction computation and by evaluation of the analytical answer obtained in class.

**2 EQUIPMENT**

For this lab, you need a laptop with MATLAB installed.

For the purpose of CMPE323, please use the following naming conventions for all output files:

CMPE323F16\_Lab<Lab#>\_<Your Campus ID>

For the purpose of CMPE323, please use the following naming conventions for MATLAB scripts or functions that you are required to submit.

<function name>\_<Your Campus ID>

Examples will be given in the lab description. Follow the instructions exactly, or you may not get graded!

**3 LAB TASKS**

You might find it useful to use the MATLAB function `diary` to capture your inputs and outputs.

**3.1 Computing the coefficients**

Using your pulse anonymous function create an “infinite” square wave

$$x(t) = \sum_{n=-N}^N p(t-nT) \quad 22 \backslash * \text{MERGEFORMAT} ()$$

where  $p(t) = \text{pulse}(t+0.5,1)$ , that is  $\tau=1$  is the duration or “ON” time of the pulse. Let the period of the waveform by  $T=4$ . Plot at least seven periods of your periodic waveform, that is,  $N \geq 3$ . Use a sample rate of at least 10,000 sps. Is this waveform even or odd? Plot the waveform using professional practices.

Analytically compute the Fourier coefficients  $C_k$  given by the analysis equation

$$C_k = \frac{1}{T} \int_{\alpha}^{\alpha+T} x(t) e^{-j\omega_0 kt} dt, \quad \omega_0 = 2\pi f_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T} \quad 33 \backslash * \text{MERGEFORMAT} ()$$

The integral can extend over any complete period of the square wave. Choose a specific interval and indicate why it is appropriate. Write the closed form, simplified expression for the coefficients as a function of  $T$ ,  $\tau$ , and  $k$ .

Using the simulated  $x(t)$  developed above, numerically compute the coefficients for  $x(t)$  implementing 3. Compute the range  $k = [-800:800]$  and hold onto it for future use. Your answer will be complex. Examine the imaginary part ( $\text{Im}[C_k]$ ) and determine if it contributes to the answer. Based on your conclusion, plot the computed values and the theoretical values and compare them.

### 3.2 Synthesizing the waveform

Using the  $C_k$  computed in 3.1, synthesize an estimate of your periodic waveform over the full time interval (not just one period) you computed in 3.1. The synthesis equation is

$$\hat{x}(t) = \sum_{k=-K}^K c_k e^{j\omega_0 k t}, \quad 44 \backslash * \text{MERGEFORMAT} ()$$

where  $K$  controls the number of terms in the estimate.

Compute estimates for  $K = [10 \ 50 \ 100 \ 200 \ 400 \ 800]$ .

For each estimate, plot the real part of your estimate (the imaginary part should be negligible), and your original waveform,  $x(t)$ . Comment on any differences.

For each estimate (one estimate for each  $K$ ), compute the *mean squared error (MSE)* defined by

$$MSE = \frac{1}{T} \int_{\alpha}^{\alpha+T} \left( x(t) - \hat{x}(t) \right)^2 dt \quad 55 \backslash * \text{MERGEFORMAT} ()$$

Plot the estimates as a function of the value of  $K$ .

### 3.3 The Gibbs Phenomenon

The finite sum estimate,  $\hat{x}(t)$ , of the square wave  $x(t)$  exhibits a characteristic shape known as the Gibbs Phenomenon. This characteristic occurs whenever a limited number of Fourier coefficients (or a bandlimited Fourier Transform) is used to estimate a piecewise continuous time waveform. On a single plot, show the Gibbs Phenomenon for all of your  $K$ -limited estimates of the square wave by plotting only the region  $t = [0.45 \ 0.55]$ . Comment on the shape and extent of the Gibbs phenomenon as the number of terms in the sum increases.

### 3.4 A different waveform.

Create a new waveform, 
$$x(t) = \sum_{n=-N}^N r(t - nT),$$
 where  $r(t) = (t + 0.5)u(t + 0.5)$ . This produces a periodic sawtooth wave. Repeat the process used in 3.1 and 3.2 to synthesize  $\hat{z}(t)$  from  $K$ -sums of the Fourier coefficients. Comment on any Gibbs phenomenon effects on your estimates.

## 4 LAB SUBMISSIONS

Submit the following via the Blackboard assignment Lab 5.

Using this lab description document as a template, create a single PDF file named in accordance with the output naming conventions given above. The content must include

- The outputs and discussions generated in 3.1.
- The outputs and discussions generated in 3.2.
- The outputs and discussions generated in 3.3.
- The outputs and discussions generated in 3.4.

Professional, high quality writing, math, and graphic (that is plots) presentation is expected, and must be provided for you to earn full credit.