

# Discrete Fourier Transform for Dummies

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## 1. Introduction

## 2. The Real DFT

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$$ReX(k) = \frac{2}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f(n) \cos(2\pi kn/N) \quad (1)$$

$$ImX(k) = \frac{-2}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f(n) \sin(2\pi kn/N) \quad (2)$$

The  $N$  sample time domain signal  $f(n)$  is decomposed into a set of  $N/2+1$  cosine, and  $N/2+1$  sine waves, with frequencies given by the index  $k$ . The amplitudes of the cosine waves are contained in  $ReX(k)$ , while the amplitudes of the sine waves are contained in  $ImX(k)$ . These equations operate by correlating the respective cosine or sine wave with the time domain signal. In spite of using the names: real part and imaginary part, there are no complex numbers in these equations[ANALOG 2016].

## 3. 1D DFT Definition

$$F(u) = \sum_{x=0}^{M-1} f(x) e^{-j2\pi ux/N} \quad (3)$$

where  $u = 0, 1, 2, \dots, M-1$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{u=0}^{M-1} F(u) e^{j2\pi ux/N} \quad (4)$$

where  $x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, M-1$

### 3.1. Implementation

## 4. 2D DFT Definition

$$F(k, l) = \frac{1}{MN} \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f(m, n) e^{-j2\pi(\frac{km}{M} + \frac{ln}{N})} \quad (5)$$

where  $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots, M-1$  and  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N-1$

$$f(m, n) = \sum_{k=0}^{M-1} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} F(k, l) e^{j2\pi(\frac{km}{M} + \frac{ln}{N})} \quad (6)$$

where  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, M-1$  and  $l = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N-1$

#### **4.1. The spectrum**

#### **4.2. The magnitude**

#### **References**

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