

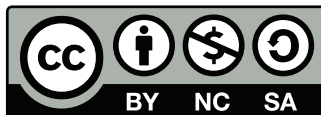
Introduction to Fourier Transform and Signal Analysis

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Orthogonal Condition

- Any two vectors **a**, **b** satisfied the following condition are mutually orthogonal.

$$\mathbf{a}^* \cdot \mathbf{b} = 0 \quad (1)$$

- Any two functions $a(x)$, $b(x)$ satisfied the following condition are mutually orthogonal.

$$\int a^*(x) \cdot b(x) dx = 0 \quad (2)$$

- * means complex conjugate.

Complete and Orthogonal Basis

- $\cos nx$ and $\sin mx$ are mutually orthogonal in which n and m are integers.

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos nx \cdot \sin mx dx &= 0 \\ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos nx \cdot \cos mx dx &= \pi \delta_{nm} \\ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin nx \cdot \sin mx dx &= \pi \delta_{nm}\end{aligned}\tag{3}$$

- δ_{nm} is Dirac-delta symbol. It means $\delta_{nn} = 1$ and $\delta_{nm} = 0$ when $n \neq m$.

Fourier Series

Since $\cos nx$ and $\sin mx$ are mutually orthogonal, we can expand an arbitrary periodic function $f(x)$ by them. we shall have a series expansion of $f(x)$ which has 2π period.

$$\begin{aligned}f(x) &= a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (a_k \cos kx + b_k \sin kx) \\a_0 &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx \\a_k &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos kx dx \\b_k &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin kx dx\end{aligned}\tag{4}$$

Fourier Series

If $f(x)$ has $2L$ period instead of 2π , x is replaced with $\pi x/L$.

$$\begin{aligned}f(x) &= a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (a_k \cos kx + b_k \sin kx) \\a_0 &= \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) dx \\a_k &= \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \cos kx dx \\b_k &= \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \sin kx dx\end{aligned}\tag{5}$$

Complex Fourier Series

Using Euler's formula, equation (4) becomes

$$f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{a_k - ib_k}{2} e^{ikx} + \frac{a_k + ib_k}{2} e^{-ikx} \right)$$

Let $c_0 \equiv a_0$, $c_k \equiv \frac{a_k - ib_k}{2}$ and $c_{-k} \equiv \frac{a_k + ib_k}{2}$, we have

$$f(x) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} c_m e^{imx} \quad (6)$$

e^{imx} and e^{inx} are also mutually orthogonal provided $n \neq m$ and it forms a complete set. Therefore, it can be used as orthogonal basis.

Fourier Series of Step Function

$f(x)$ is a periodic function with 2π period and it's defined as follows.

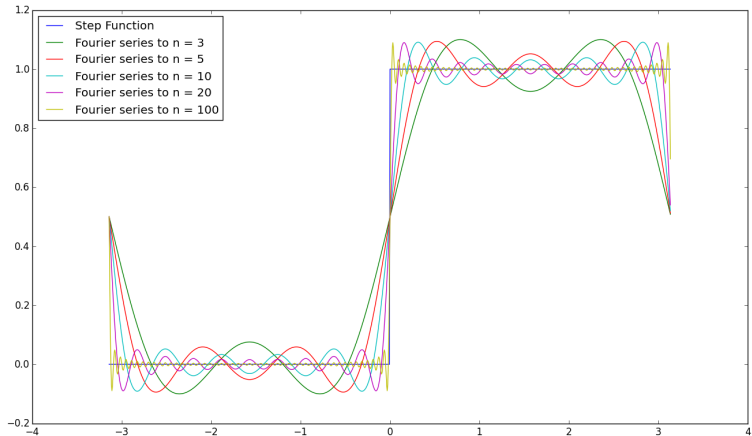
$$\begin{aligned}f(x) &= 0, -\pi < x < 0 \\f(x) &= h, 0 < x < \pi\end{aligned}\tag{7}$$

Fourier series of $f(x)$ is

$$f(x) = \frac{h}{2} + \frac{2h}{\pi} \left(\frac{\sin x}{1} + \frac{\sin 3x}{3} + \frac{\sin 5x}{5} + \dots \right)\tag{8}$$

$f(x)$ is piecewise continuous within the periodic region. Fourier series of $f(x)$ converges at speed of $1/n$.

Fourier Series of Step Function



Fourier Series of Saw Tooth Function

$f(x)$ is a periodic function with 2π period and it's defined as follows.

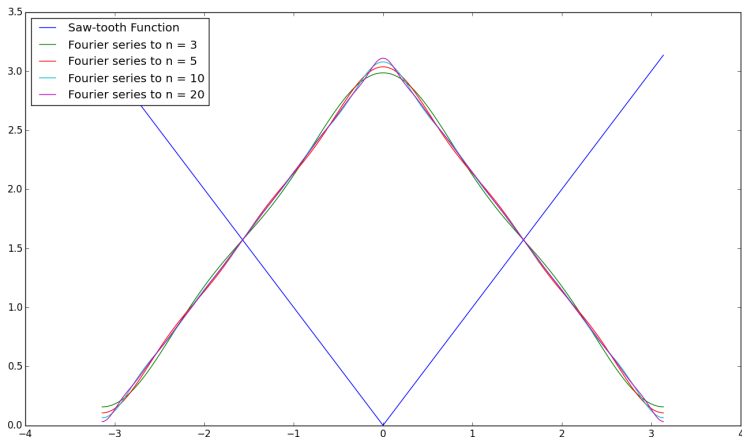
$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= -x, -\pi < x < 0 \\ f(x) &= x, 0 < x < \pi \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

Fourier series of $f(x)$ is

$$f(x) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{n=1,3,5,\dots} \left(\frac{\cos nx}{n^2} \right) \quad (10)$$

$f(x)$ is continuous and its derivative is piecewise continuous within the periodic region. Fourier series of $f(x)$ converges at speed of $1/n^2$.

Fourier Series of Saw Tooth Function



Fourier Series of Full Wave Rectifier

$f(t)$ is a periodic function with 2π period and it's defined as follows.

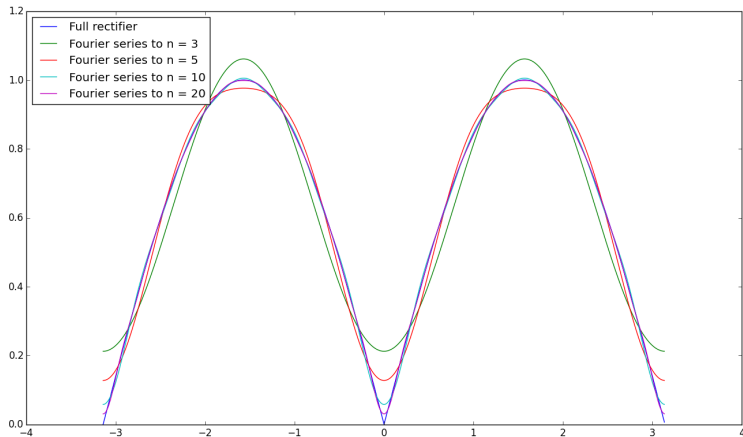
$$\begin{aligned} f(t) &= -\sin \omega t, -\pi < t < 0 \\ f(t) &= \sin \omega t, 0 < t < \pi \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

Fourier series of $f(x)$ is

$$f(t) = \frac{2}{\pi} - \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{n=2,4,6\dots} \left(\frac{\cos n\omega t}{n^2 - 1} \right) \quad (12)$$

$f(x)$ is continuous and its derivative is piecewise continuous within the periodic region. Fourier series of $f(x)$ converges at speed of $1/n^2$.

Fourier Series of Full Wave Rectifier



Fourier Transform

Convolution Theory and Parseval Relation

Fourier Transform of a Gaussian Function

Fourier Transform of a Gaussian Function with Carrier

Transfer Function

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From Continuous to Discrete Fourier Transform

Frequency Bins and Nyquist Frequency

Concept of Nyquist-Shannon Frequency

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Window Functions

Filter

Fast Fourier Transform

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Discrete Fourier Transform in Numpy or Scipy

Transform One Dimensional Data

Transform More than One Dimensional Data

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