

# Fast Fourier Transformation 1

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# Topics in this Lecture

- Fourier Spectra and Transforms
  - Spectral Analysis of Boolean Functions
  - Spectral Analysis of (Discrete) Periodic Functions
  - Building the Analogy between them
- A Brief Introduction to the Fast Fourier Transform Algorithm
- Application 1: Exploiting Sparsity in Signals
- Application 2: Fast multiplication of polynomials
- The Road ahead (for the FFT presentation in next lecture)



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# Fourier Spectra and Transforms

A perspective

Fourier Transformation

# Spectral Analysis of Boolean Functions

## A Recap

$$f: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

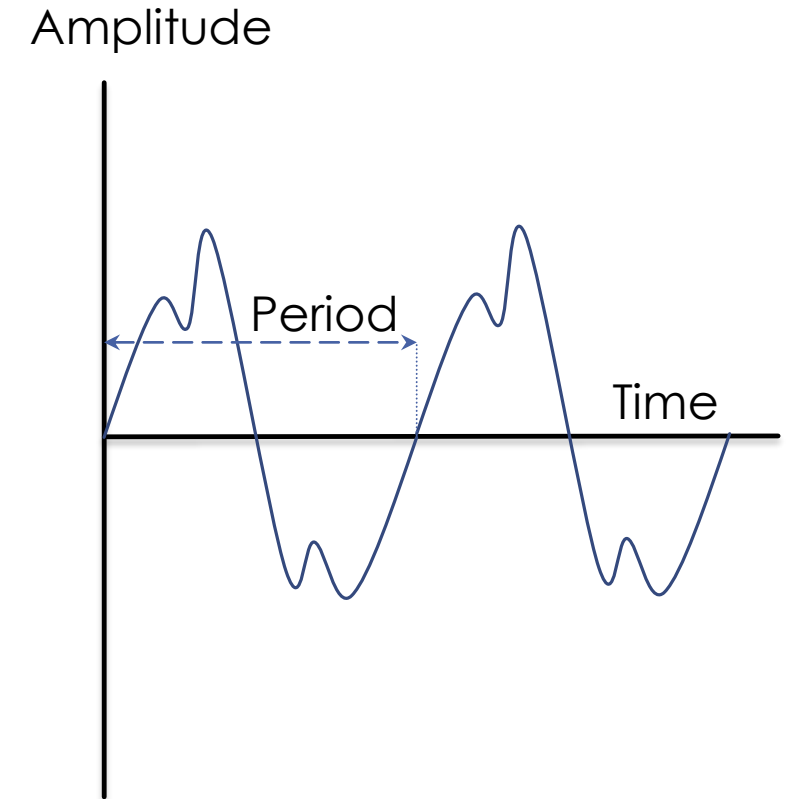
- A vector space of  $2^n$  dimensions.
- Standard Basis:  $2^n$  Boolean functions. Each basis function outputs 1 only for one particular input string.
- Fourier Basis:  $2^n$  parity functions.

# Spectral Analysis of Discrete Periodic Functions – an Overview

1. Periodic functions with some examples
2. Fourier expansion of periodic functions
3. Discrete sampling of continuous periodic functions
4. Analogy Between Boolean Functions and Discrete Periodic Functions

# Signals as Periodic Functions

- ▶ A periodic function is a function that repeats its values in regular intervals or periods.
- ▶ Example: Trigonometric functions, which repeat over the intervals of  $2\pi$  radians.
- ▶ Prominent real world application: radio wave signals, audio/video signals, etc.



# Fourier Expansion of Periodic Functions

Fourier expansion of a periodic function  $s(x)$  (with period  $2\pi$ ) is an infinite sum of *sines* and *cosines*:

$$s(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} A_j \cos(jx) + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} B_j \sin(jx),$$

Where  $A_j = a_j \sin(\phi_j)$  and  $B_j = a_j \cos(\phi_j)$  for suitable  $\phi_j$  values, which can be interpreted as a phase shifts to get an equivalent form:

# Fourier Expansion of Periodic Functions

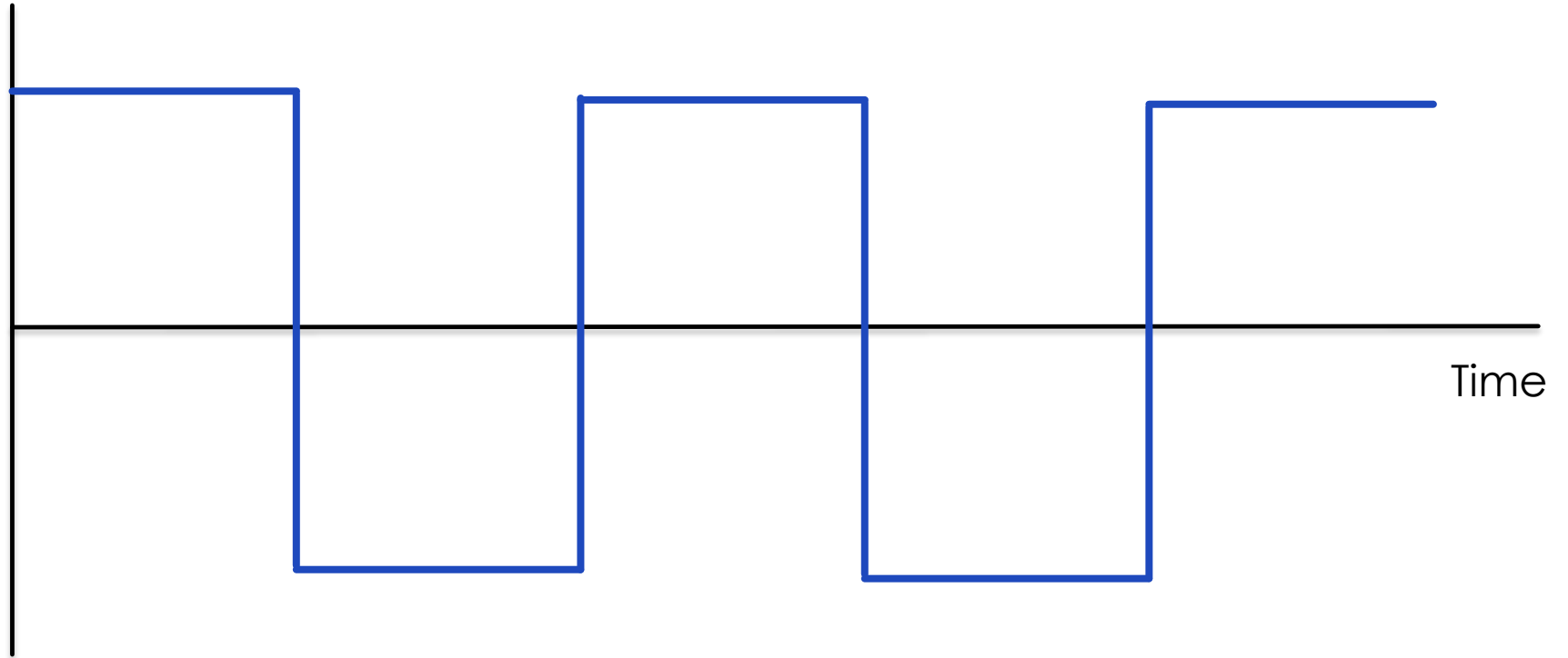
$$s(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} a_j \sin(jx + \phi_j)$$

Let us now see an example that illustrates the significance of the first few terms.



# The Square Wave: A Simple Example

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# Approximation With a Single Sine wave

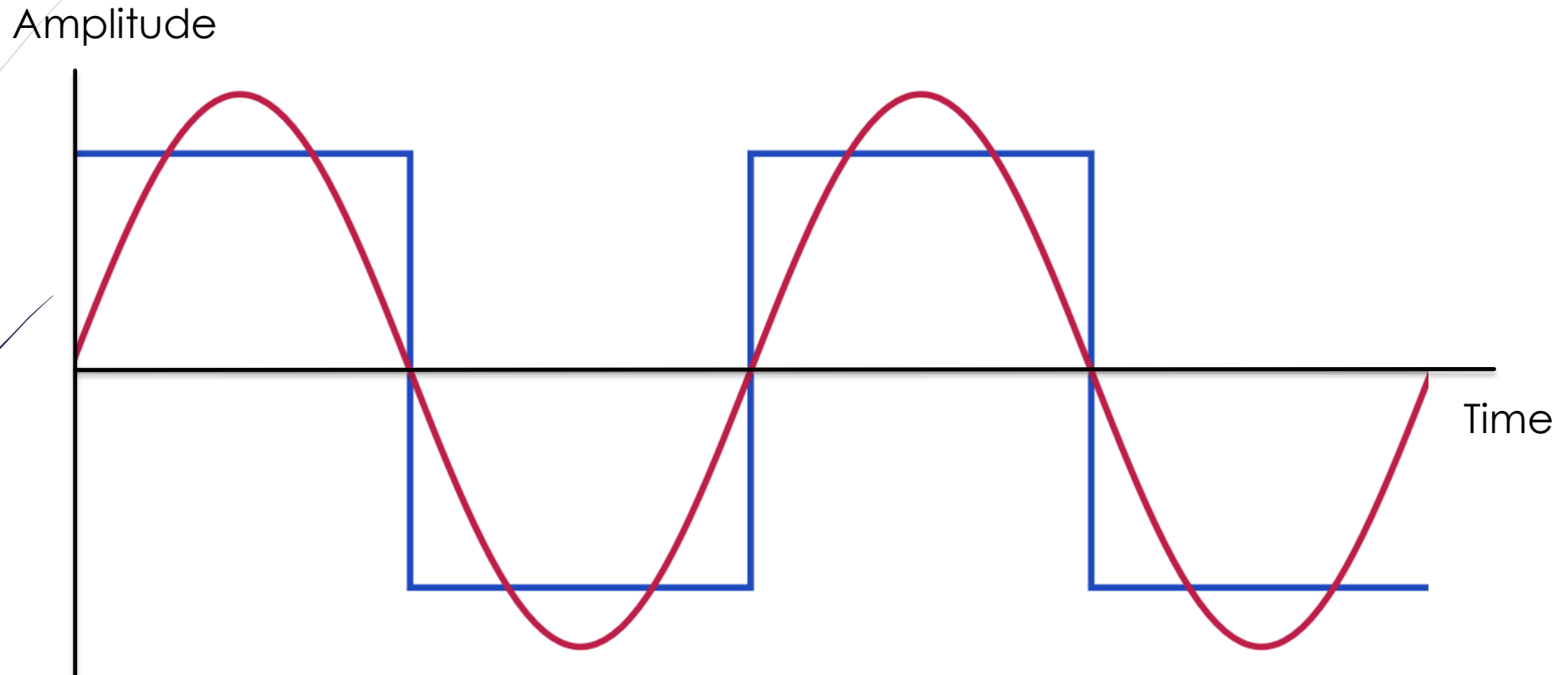


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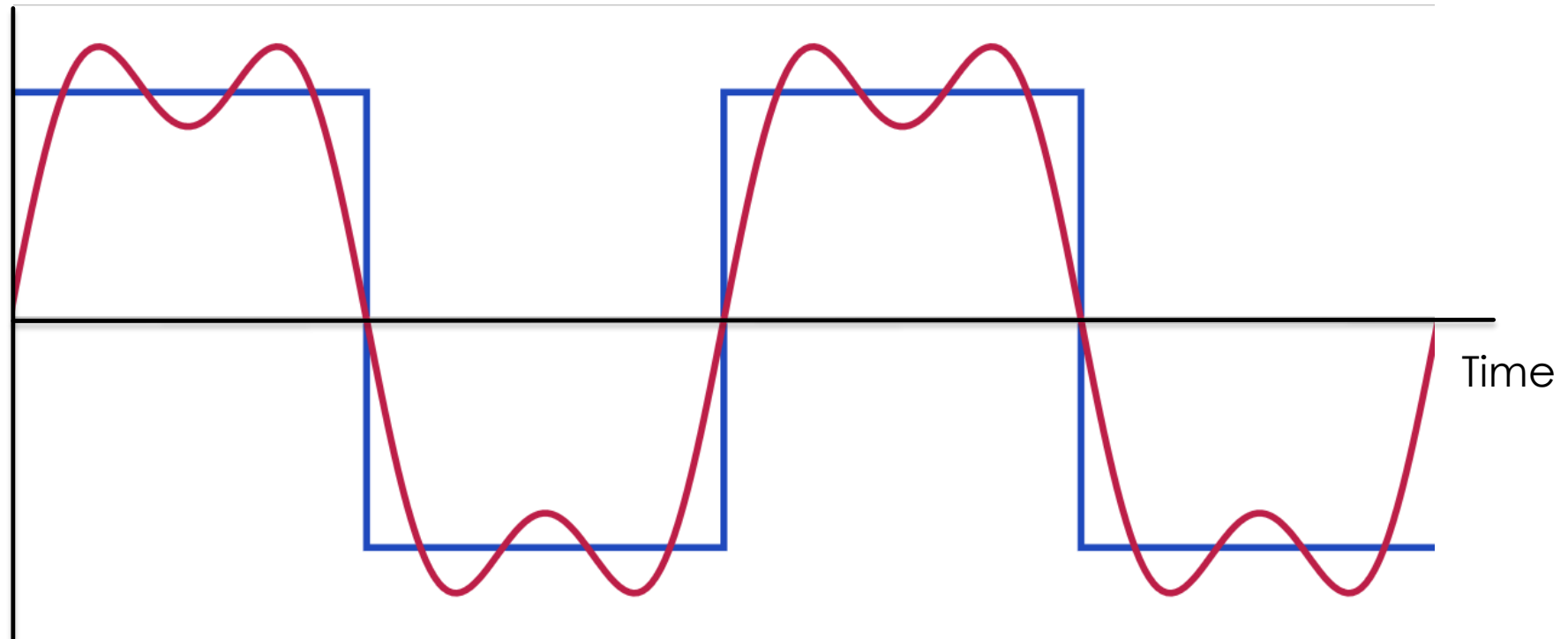


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# Including a Few More Sine Waves

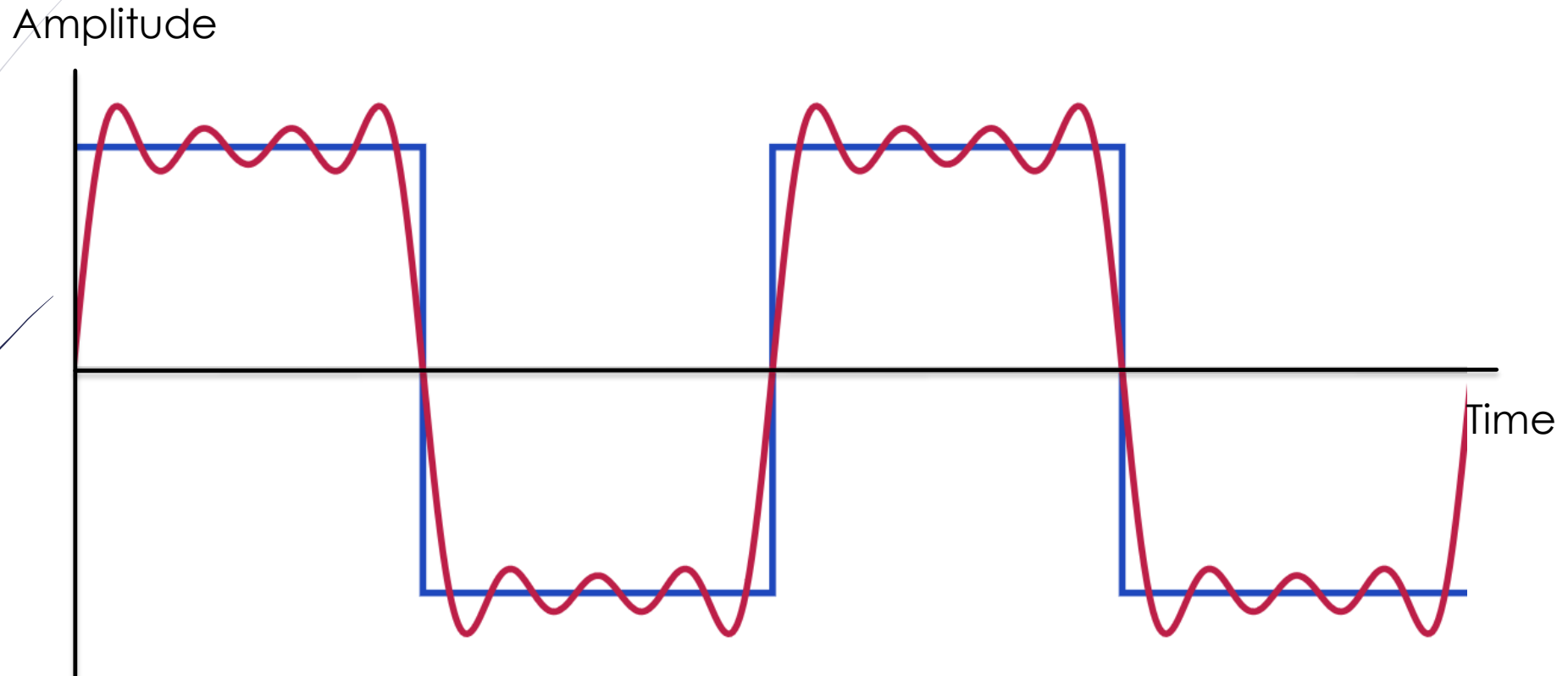


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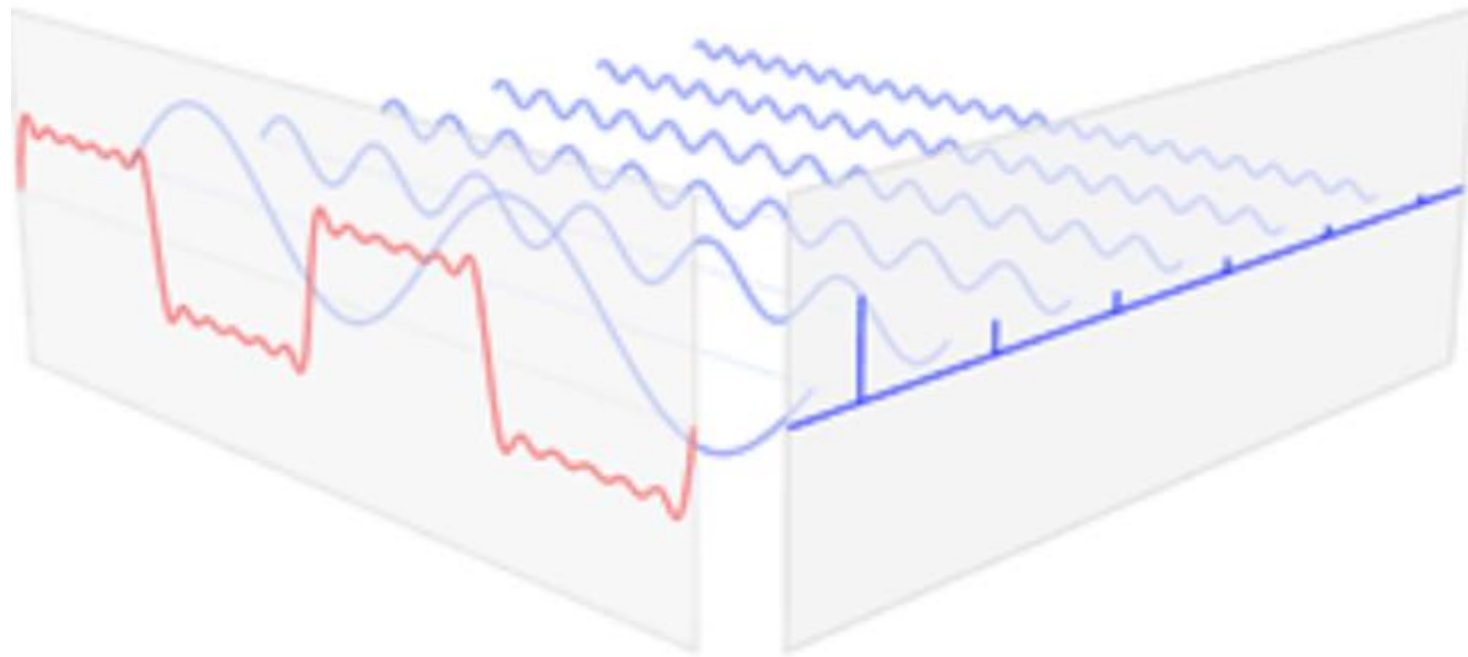
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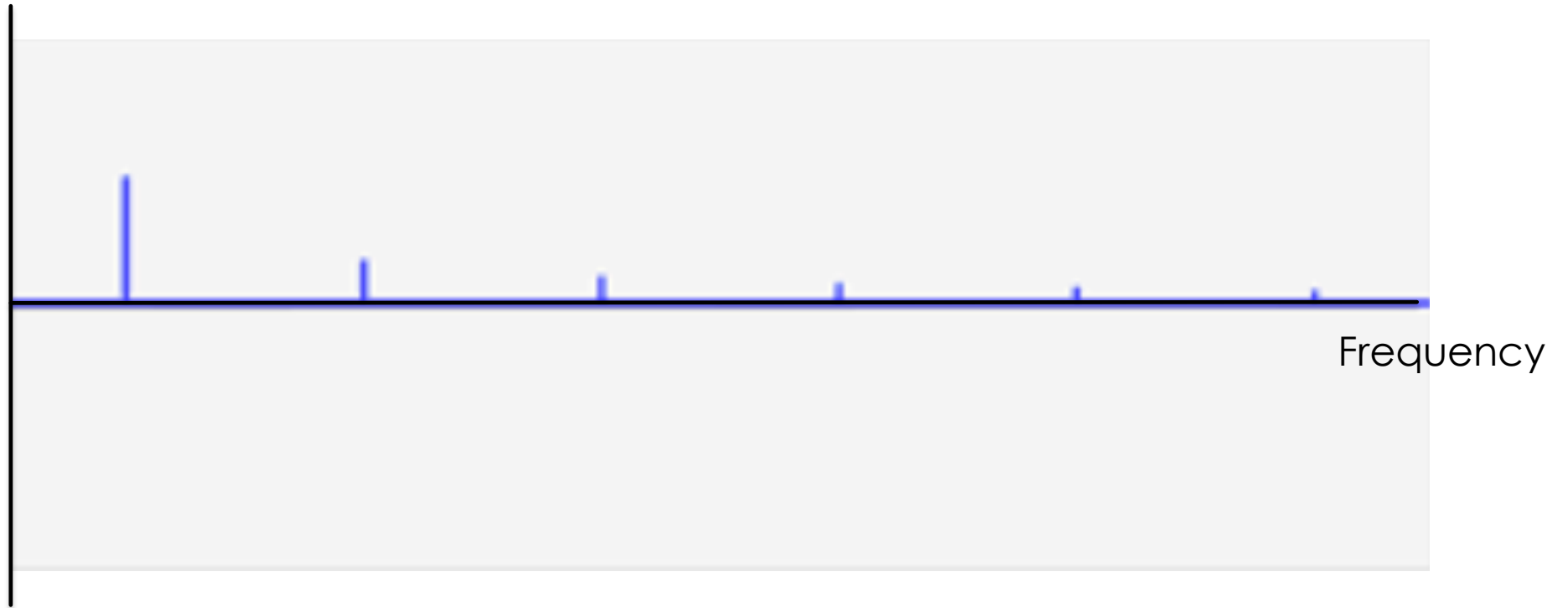
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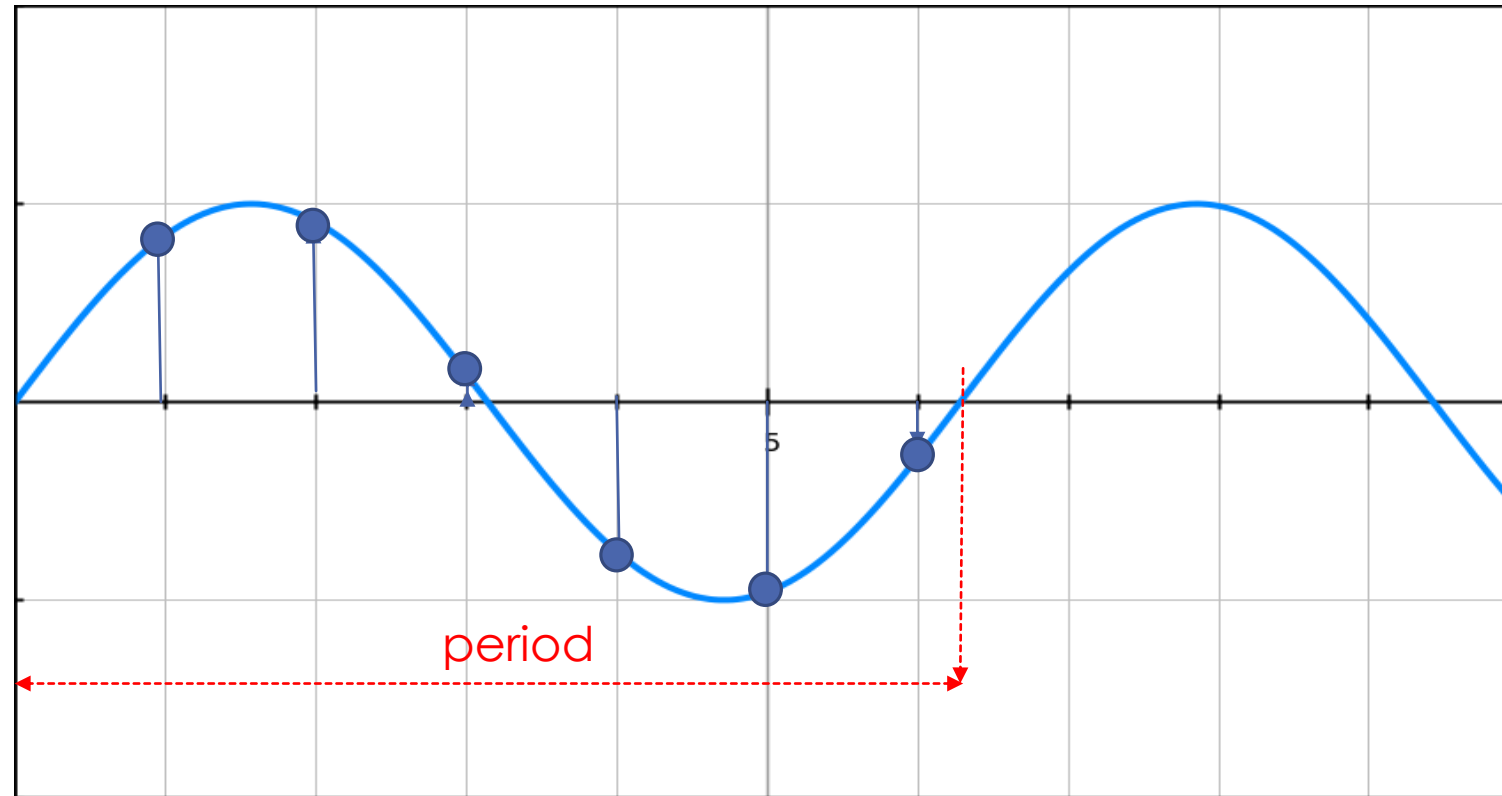
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# Discrete Sampling

- ▶ The continuous time signals can be approximated by sampling.



Discrete Sampling

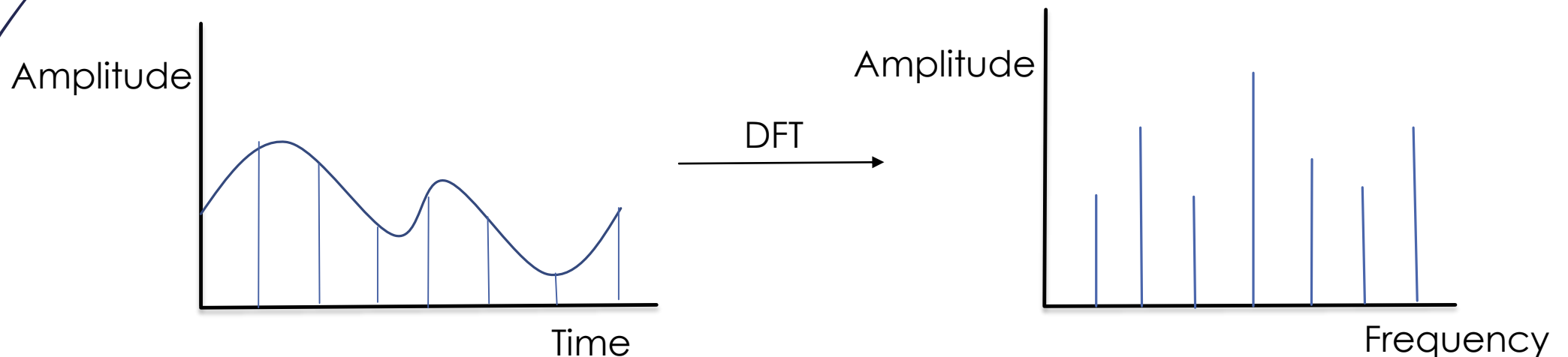


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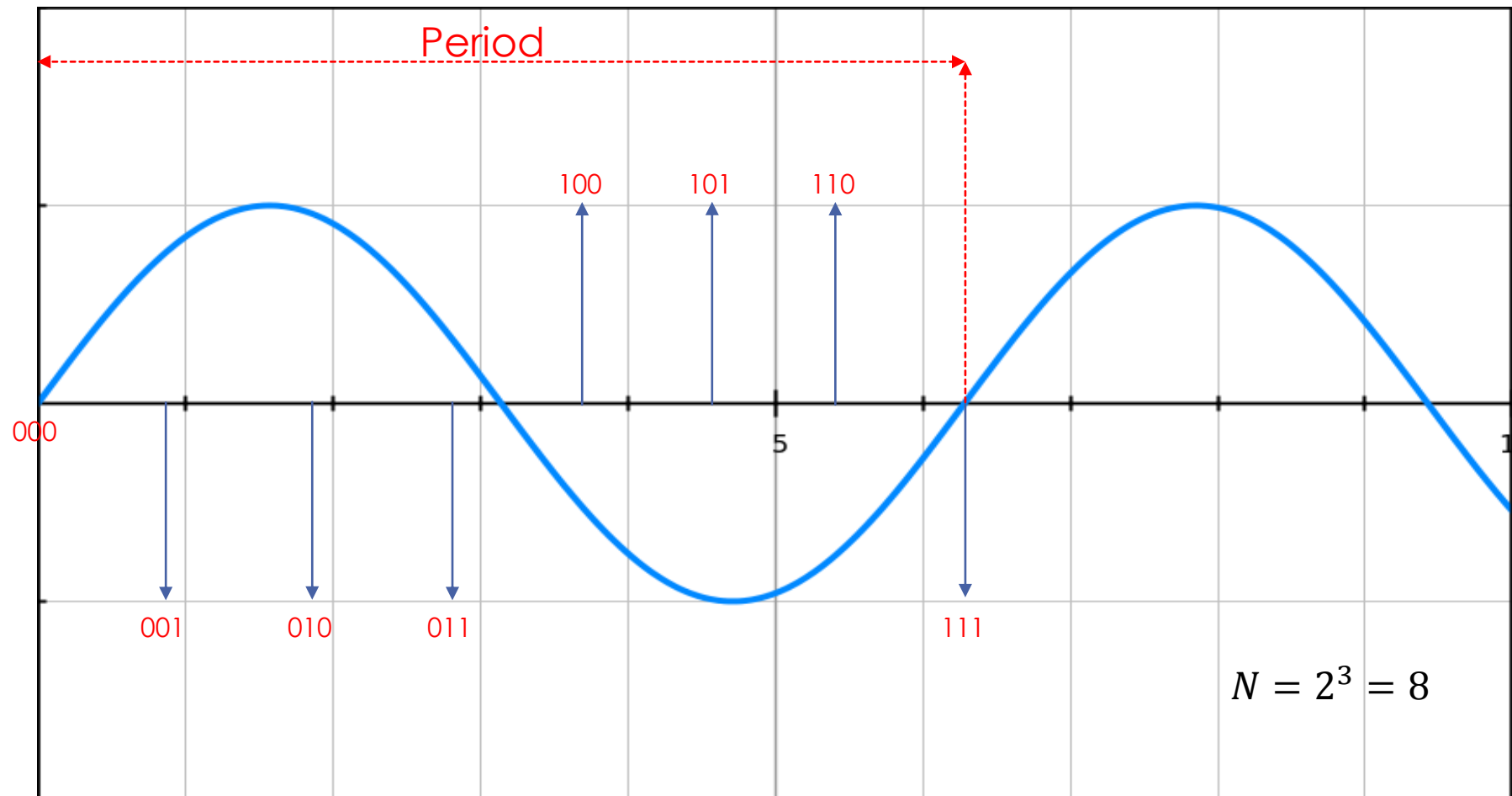
- ▶ Sampling theorems like the Nyquist-Shannon Theorem permit a discrete sequence of samples to capture all the information from a continuous time signal whenever it has a finite frequency spectrum.
- ▶ The sampled values of continuous signal are now represented by a vector of length  $N$ , the number of sampled values in a period.

# Discrete Sampling

- ▶ The *Fourier transform* of a periodic function of time requires an infinite number of sinusoidal waves of different frequencies.
- ▶ *Discrete Fourier transform* (DFT) of a periodic function sampled at discrete points only requires a finite number.



# Towards an Analogy Between Boolean Functions and Periodic Functions



Towards Building an Analogy Between Boolean Functions and Periodic Functions

# Analogy Between Boolean Functions and Discrete Periodic Functions

Boolean Functions	Discrete Periodic Functions
Vector Space of dimension $2^n$ , where $n$ is the number of bits in input vector.	Vector Space of dimension $N$ , where $N$ is the number of samples values in a period.
Period = $2^n$	Period = $N$
Parity basis.	Sine/Cosine functions.
Spectrum: Vector in the parity basis	Spectrum: coefficients in Fourier expansion
Standard basis is same for both type of functions.	
Most of the functions in practice are sparse in the Fourier basis.	

# Introduction to the Fast Fourier Transform Algorithm

# Extracting the Fourier Spectrum through Transforms

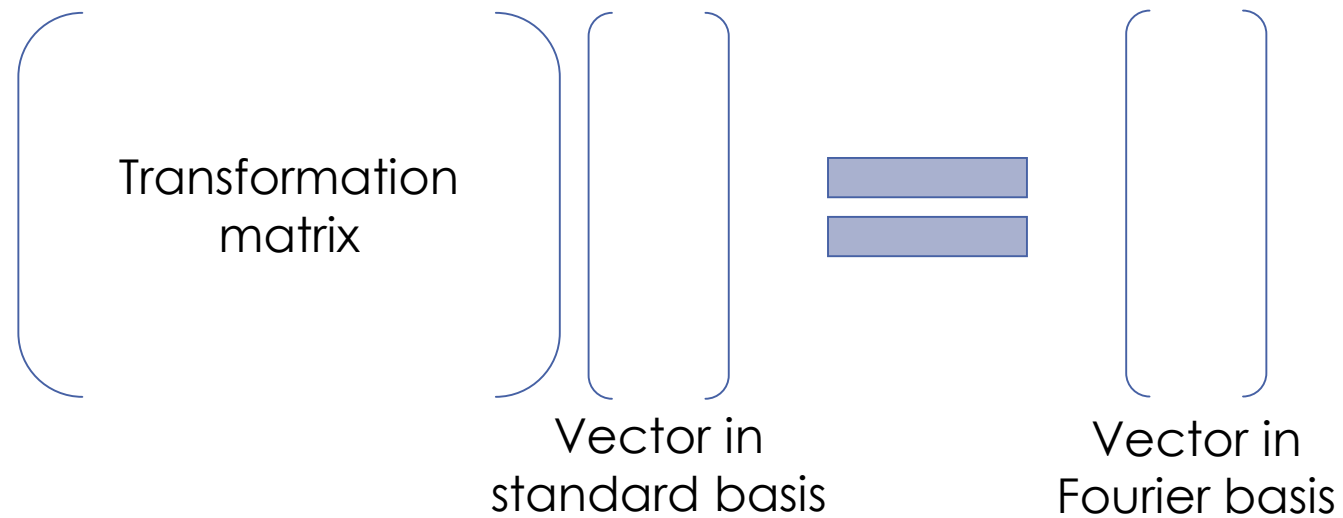
Recall the following:

1. A Fourier spectrum of a vector is its representation in an alternate “Fourier basis.”
2. Such a change of basis can be obtained via a suitable transformation matrix multiplication.

A Fourier transform is therefore any algorithm to transform a vector from its standard basis to its Fourier basis. [matrix multiplication = brute force]

# A Naïve Discrete Fourier Transform

Being a change of basis, DFT is a matrix multiplication.



The diagram illustrates the DFT as a matrix multiplication. On the left, a large blue-outlined square bracket is labeled "Transformation matrix". To its right is a blue-outlined vertical rectangle labeled "Vector in standard basis". These are followed by an equals sign, represented by two horizontal blue-outlined rectangles. To the right of the equals sign is another blue-outlined vertical rectangle labeled "Vector in Fourier basis".

$$\begin{bmatrix} & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \\ \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \\ \end{bmatrix}$$

Transformation matrix

Vector in standard basis

Vector in Fourier basis

But this requires  
 $O(\text{dimension}^2)$   
time

# Can We Do Better?

- ▶ Some nice properties of DFTs:
  1. The terms in each row are in geometric progression.
  2. The entries can be complex.
- ▶ We will exploit them to devise an  $O(d \log d)$  time *Fast Fourier Transform* (FFT) algorithm – here  $d$  is the dimension.
- ▶ Divide-and-Conquer paradigm
- ▶ The algorithm is more widely applicable as long as the required properties hold.
- ▶ In fact, our exposition will be on polynomials!



# Three Vector Spaces and their Fourier Bases

Scope of  
the FFT  
Algorithm

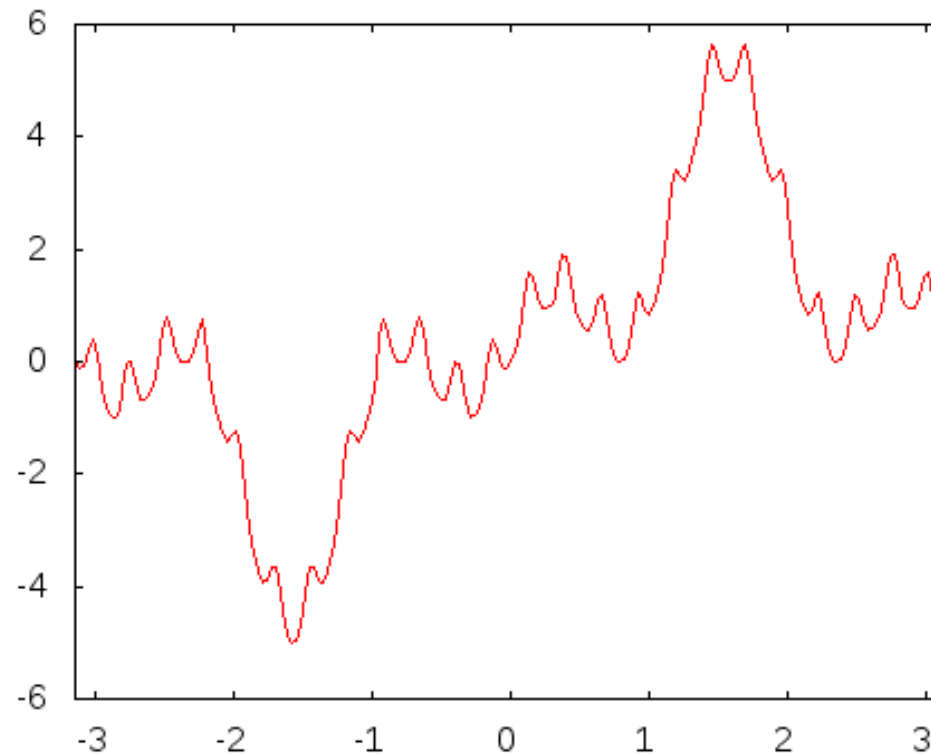
Our Primary  
Focus

- Boolean functions: Its Fourier basis – we studied earlier – is the set of parity functions.
- (Discrete) periodic functions: Wide application in digital signal processing
  - Fourier basis consists of sines and cosines of different frequencies, hence often called the frequency domain.
- Polynomials: Fundamental and wide applicability with a carefully chosen Fourier basis.

# Why do we need the Fourier Basis?

- Vectors in some real world contexts are often “dense” in the standard basis (i.e, require many non-zero terms), but “sparse” in the Fourier basis.
- Example: signals are often sparse in the Fourier basis.
- Let us now walk through one such example (courtesy of Wikipedia.)

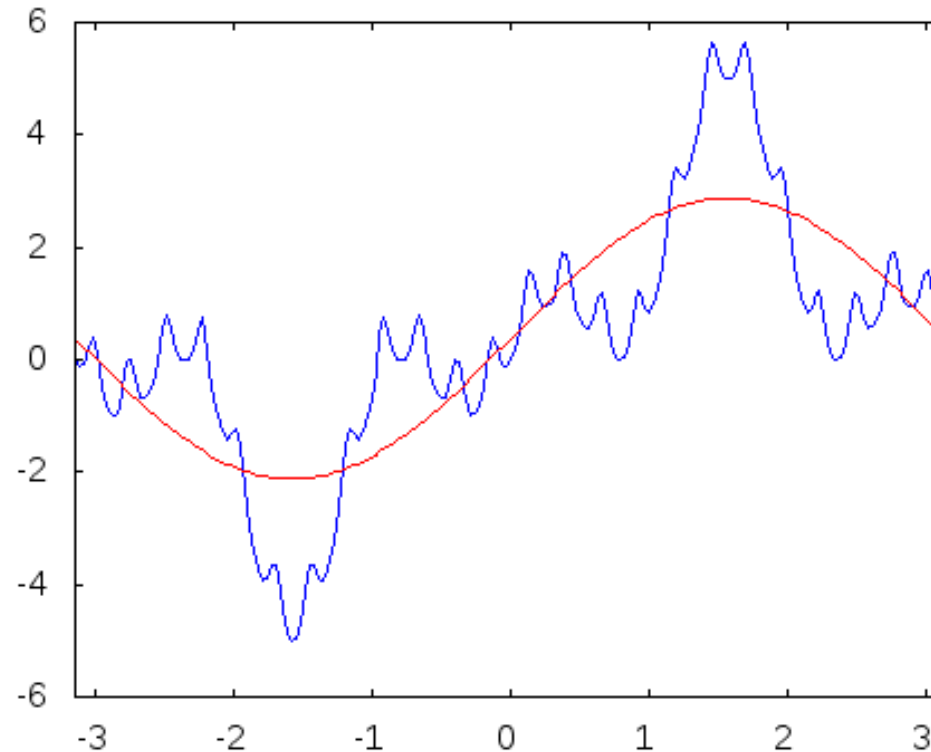
# An Example of Sparsity in Signals



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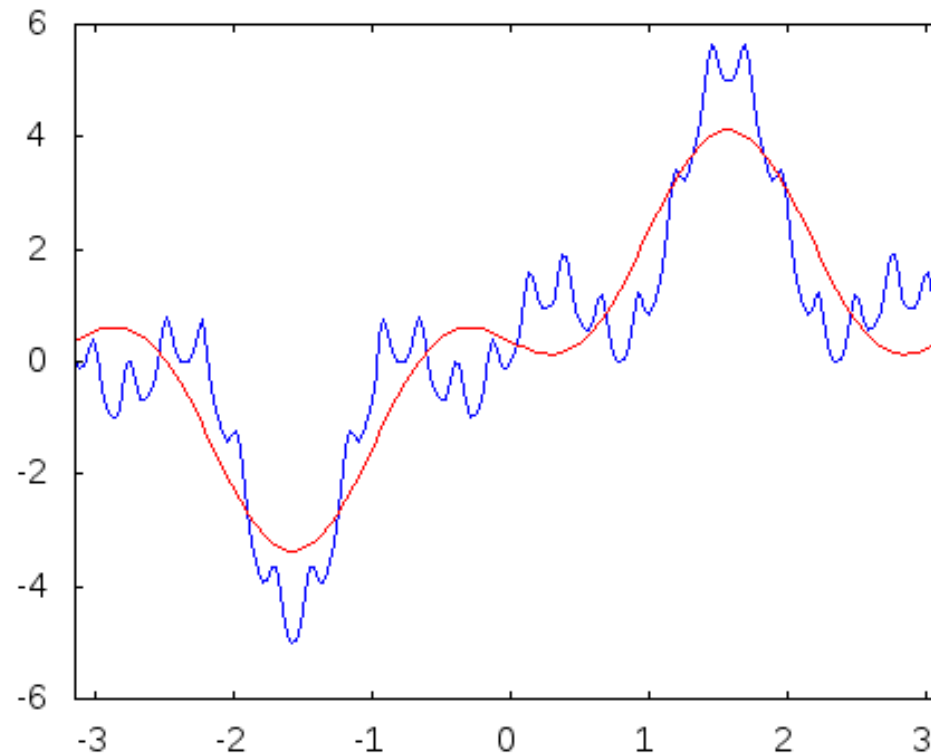
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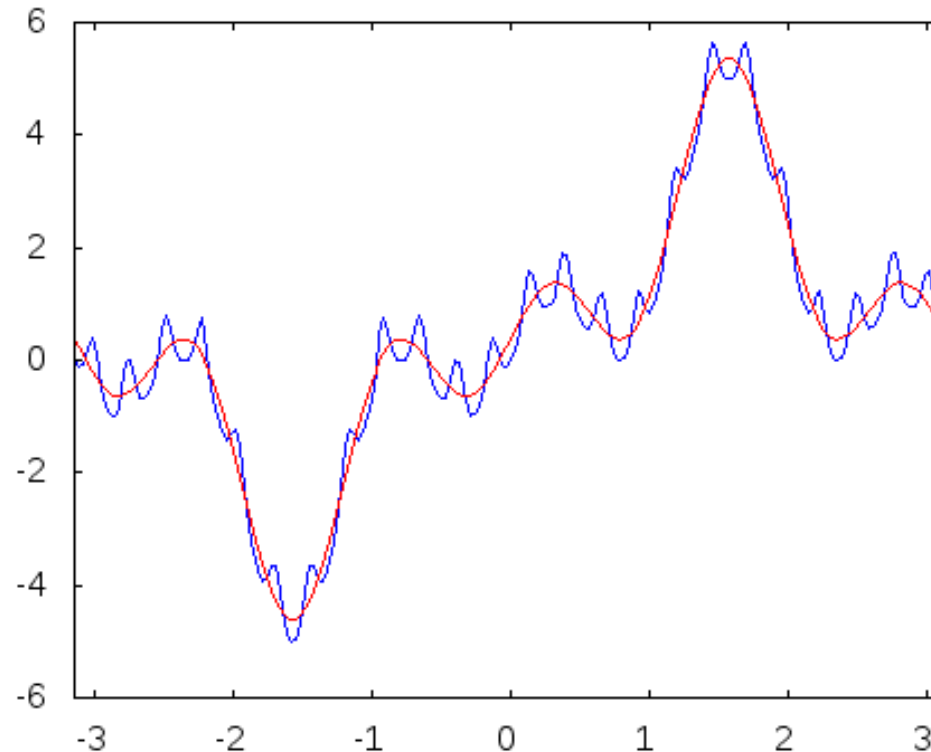
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With four  
sine waves



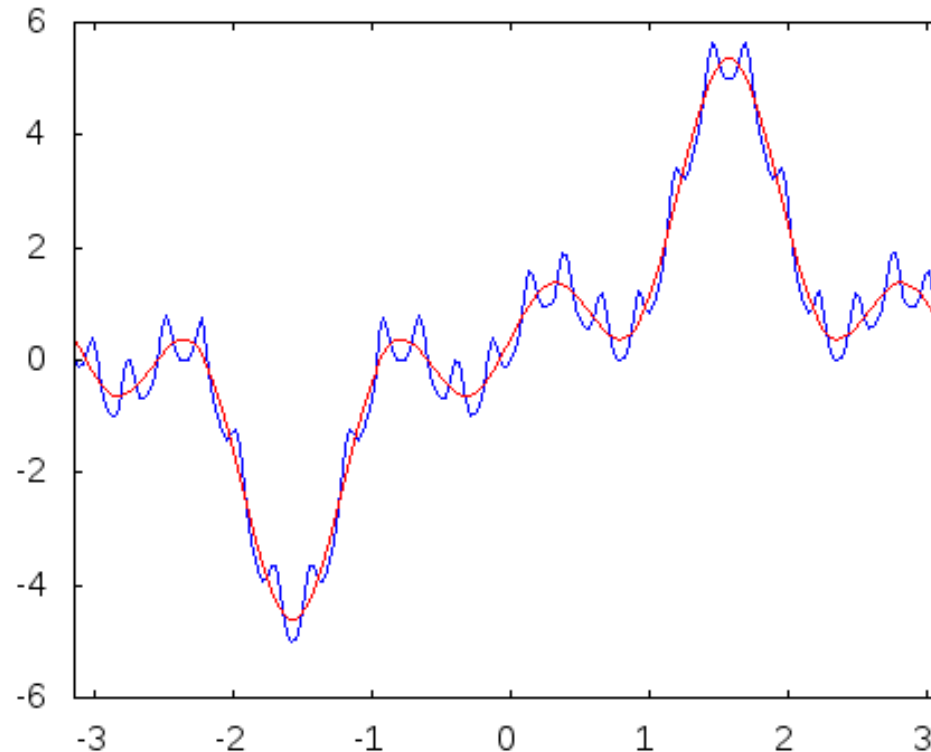
# An Example of Sparsity in Signals

With five  
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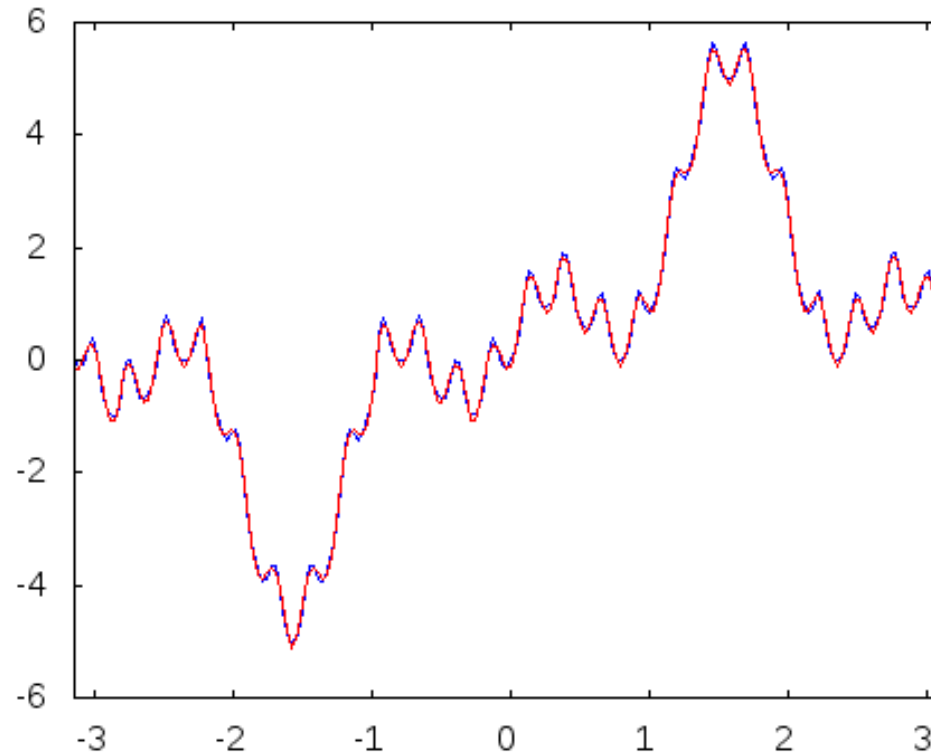
# An Example of Sparsity in Signals

With five  
sine waves



# An Example of Sparsity in Signals

With 25  
sine waves





# Applications of Fourier Transforms

- ▶ The alternative basis may make the vectors more convenient for some operations
- ▶ Example: The Fourier transform of polynomials lead to faster polynomial multiplication.
- ▶ We will see this in detail, but first a sketch.
- ▶ Recall: naïvely multiplying two polynomials of degree  $d$  will require  $O(d^2)$  time. But...

# Applications of Fourier Transforms

- If the polynomials have been evaluated at several points ( $d + 1$  is sufficient as we will see)
- Then, obtaining the product polynomial is simply pointwise multiplication. Only  $O(d)$  time!
- Evaluating a polynomial for a carefully chosen set of points (in the complex domain) is, as we shall show, a Fourier transform.

# The Road Ahead in a Nutshell

- ▶ We will first show that polynomials of degree at most  $d$  can be viewed as vectors in a vector space of dimension  $d + 1$ .
- ▶ Evaluating a polynomial in any distinct  $d + 1$  points can be viewed – will show – as a change of basis. This basis is called the Lagrange basis.
- ▶ We will present the Fast Fourier Transform algorithm as a transformation from the standard basis to a particular Lagrange basis.
- ▶ We will then illustrate how to multiply two polynomials in  $O(d)$  time. Among other things, we will have to show that returning to the standard basis is also by way of the FFT algorithm.
- ▶ We will then briefly discuss how the algorithm can be applied to signals and periodic functions.

# Fast Fourier Transformation 2

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# Vector space of Polynomials

# Polynomial Vector Space

- Consider the polynomial:

$$p(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_mx^m.$$

- We will usually store it in the computer as a list of coefficients:

$$a = (a_0, a_1, \dots, a_m).$$

This representation is also called *coefficient representation*.

- Now consider the set  $\mathbf{P}_d$  of all such polynomials of degree  $m \leq d$ . (For reasons that will become clear in due course, we will assume  $d$  is a power of 2.)

**Exercise :** Show that  $\mathbf{P}_d$  is a vector space of dimension  $d + 1$ .

This will require you to check if all eight properties of vector space hold. As a hint, we will now present the standard basis.

# Monomial Basis or Standard Basis

- ▶ The standard basis or the monomial (single variable) basis is given by:

$$\mathbf{b}(x) = [1, \quad x, \quad x^2, \dots, x^{d-1}, \quad x^d]$$

- ▶ Notice that (as required)  $p(x)$  can be written as a linear combination of the basis functions in  $\mathbf{b}(x)$ . In other words,

$$p(x) = \mathbf{b}(x)\mathbf{a}^T.$$

# Polynomial Interpolation

- ▶ In the problem of polynomial interpolation, we are given points  $(x_0, y_0), (x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_d, y_d)$  and required to compute a polynomial  $p(x)$  such that

$$p(x_i) = y_i \text{ for } i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, d.$$

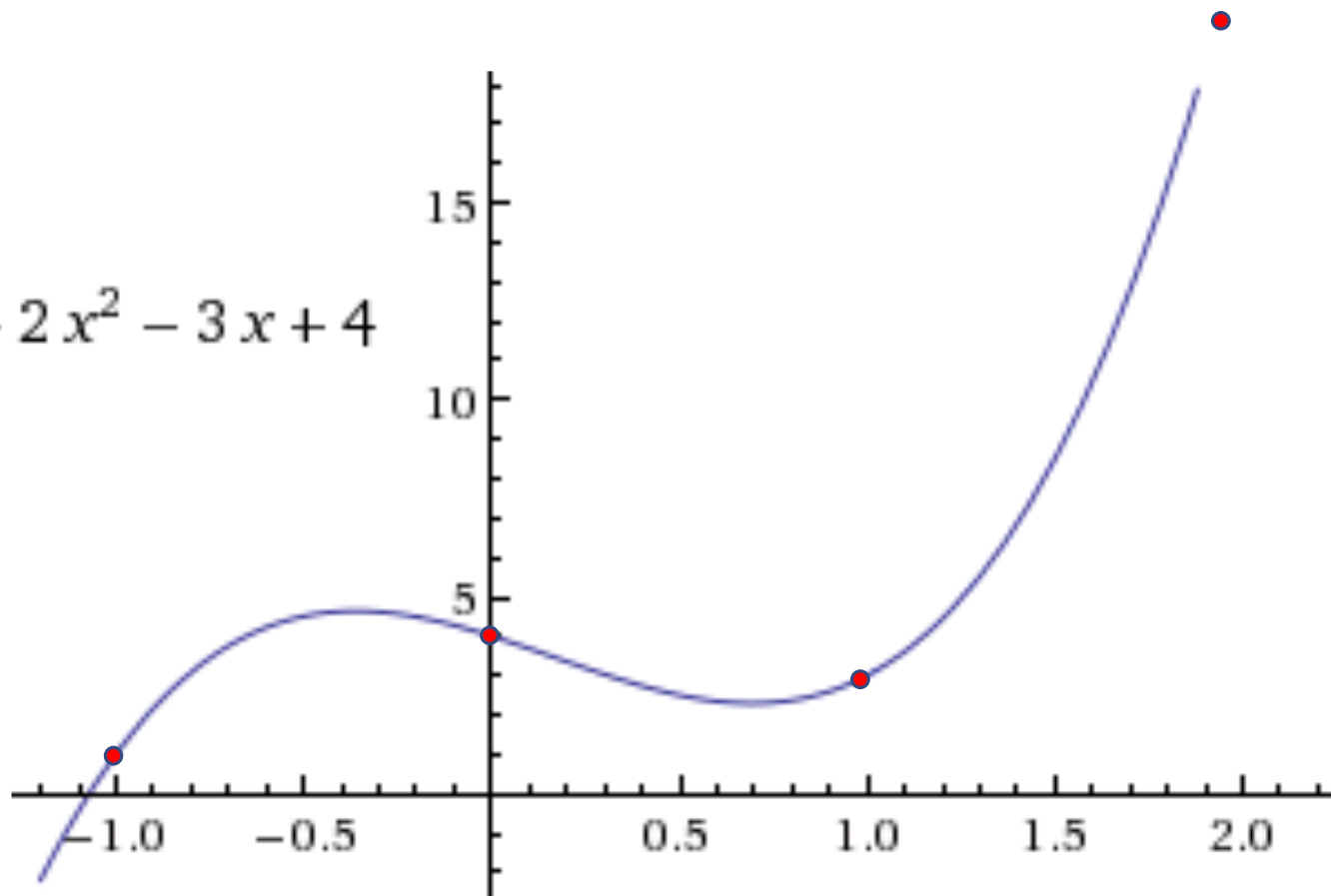
- ▶ The points  $x_i$  are called *interpolation points*.
- ▶ The polynomial  $p(x)$  that satisfies these condition is called the *interpolating polynomial*.
  - ▶ Does such an interpolating polynomial always exist?
  - ▶ Could there be many such polynomials?



# An Example

$$4x^3 - 2x^2 - 3x + 4$$

x	y
-1	1
0	4
1	3
2	22



# Uniqueness of the Interpolating Polynomial

**Theorem :** Given  $d + 1$  distinct points  $x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d$  and arbitrary values  $y_0, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_d$ , there is a unique polynomial  $p(x)$  of degree at most  $d$  such that

$$p(x_i) = y_i, \text{ for } i = 0, 1, \dots, d.$$

**Proof :** For contradiction, assume there are two distinct polynomials  $p(x)$  and  $q(x)$  of degree at most  $d$ , such that for all  $i$ ,

$$p(x_i) = q(x_i) = y_i$$

Consider the polynomial  $r(x) = p(x) - q(x)$ .

The polynomial  $r(x)$  has degree at most  $d$ , since it is the difference of two polynomials of degree at most  $d$ .

# Uniqueness of the Interpolating Polynomial

For  $i = 0, 1, \dots, d$

$$r(x_i) = p(x_i) - q(x_i) = 0$$

So  $r(x)$  is a polynomial of degree at most  $d$ , with  $d + 1$  roots.

*Fundamental Theorem of Algebra* : Any nonzero polynomial with degree at most  $d$  has at most  $d$  roots.  
This implies that  $r(x)$  must be a zero polynomial.

Hence  $p(x) = q(x)$ . ■

# An Alternate Basis

- Given the Unique Interpolating Polynomial Theorem, we know that a polynomial of degree  $d$  can be uniquely represented by its values at  $d + 1$  distinct interpolation points.
- Recall: the dimension of polynomial vector space is  $d + 1$ .
- Can this connection lead to an alternate basis?
- We indeed can, and it's called the Lagrange basis.
- We will now try to understand this basis and its application in fast polynomial interpolation and multiplication.

# Lagrange Basis

- ▶ The Lagrange basis is defined for a particular list of points  $(x_0, x_1, \dots, x_d)$ . For each  $x_i$ , the corresponding Lagrange polynomial is denoted  $l_i(x)$  and has the property that:

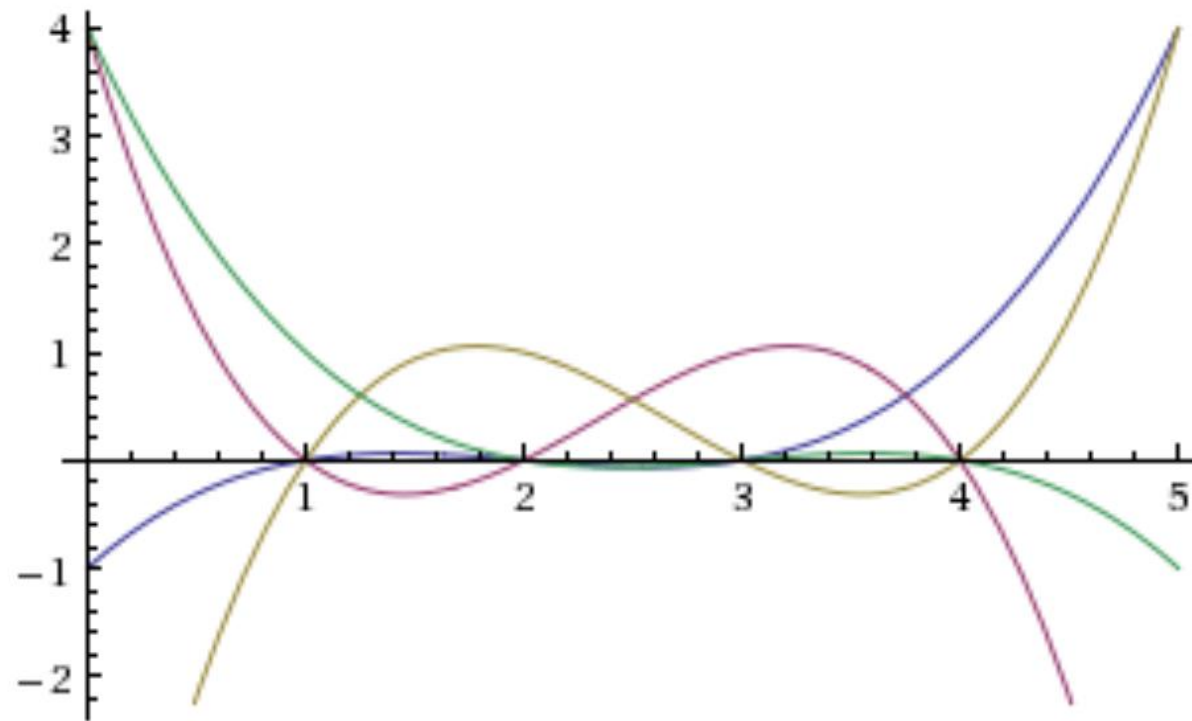
$$l_i(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = x_j \text{ for } j \neq i \\ 1 & \text{if } x = x_i \end{cases}$$

- ▶ Notice that the Unique Interpolating Polynomial Theorem assures us that there is exactly one polynomial for which the above property holds.
- ▶ The Lagrange basis is the list  $(l_0(x), l_1(x), \dots, l_d(x))$  of Lagrange polynomials. (We will shortly see how to compute them.)

**Exercise:** Prove that the Lagrange basis is an orthonormal basis for the vector space of all polynomials of degree at most  $d$ .

Hint: Lagrange basis representation of polynomials.

# Lagrange Basis Functions for $x = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$



$$\text{— } \frac{1}{6} (x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6)$$

$$\text{— } -\frac{x^3}{2} + \frac{7x^2}{2} - 7x + 4$$

$$\text{— } \frac{1}{2} (x^3 - 8x^2 + 19x - 12)$$

$$\text{— } \frac{1}{6} (-x^3 + 9x^2 - 26x + 24)$$

# Lagrange Basis

- Given a set of  $d + 1$  data points  $(x_i, y_i): i = 0, 1, \dots, d$ , the unique interpolating polynomial can be represented as

$$p(x) = y_0 l_0(x) + y_1 l_1(x) + \dots + y_d l_d(x) = \sum_{i=0}^d y_i l_i(x)$$

where  $y = (y_0, y_1, \dots, y_d)$  are the coordinates of  $p(x)$  in the Lagrange basis.

# Lagrange Basis

- ➔ How do we compute each  $l_i(x)$ ?

$$l_i(x) = \frac{(x-x_0)}{(x_i-x_0)} \cdots \frac{(x-x_{i-1})}{(x_i-x_{i-1})} \frac{(x-x_{i+1})}{(x_i-x_{i+1})} \cdots \frac{(x-x_d)}{(x_i-x_d)}.$$

Notice the missing term

➔  $l_i(x_i) = \frac{x_i-x_0}{x_i-x_0} \cdots \frac{x_i-x_j}{x_i-x_j} \cdots \frac{x_i-x_d}{x_i-x_d} = 1$

➔  $l_{i \neq j}(x_j) = \frac{x_i-x_0}{x_i-x_0} \cdots \frac{x_j-x_j}{x_i-x_j} \cdots \frac{x_i-x_d}{x_i-x_d} = 0$



# Monomial basis to Lagrange Basis

- Consider the polynomial of degree  $d$  :

$$p(x) = a_0 + a_1x_1 + \dots + a_dx^d$$

- To convert  $p$  from the monomial to the Lagrange basis, we need to evaluate  $p$  at  $d + 1$  distinct points.

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_0 & \dots & x_0^{d-1} & x_0^d \\ 1 & x_1 & \dots & x_1^{d-1} & x_1^d \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_d & \dots & x_d^{d-1} & x_d^d \end{bmatrix}}_V \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_d \end{bmatrix}}_a = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} y_0 \\ y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_d \end{bmatrix}}_y$$

- The coefficients of Lagrange basis are determined by  $Va = y$ .
- The terms in each row of matrix  $V$  are in geometric progression. Such a matrix is called *Vandermonde matrix* and is known to be invertible --- a useful property that will come in handy very soon.

# Point Value Representation

- ➡ The representation of a polynomial,  $p(x)$  of degree  $d$ , by  $d + 1$  point-value pairs  $(x_0, y_0), (x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_d, y_d)$  such that all  $x_i$  are distinct, is called *point value representation* of  $\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x})$ .
- ➡ Notice that the point value representation of polynomial  $\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x})$  is equivalent to the coordinates of  $\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x})$  in the Lagrange basis defined by  $(x_0, x_1, \dots, x_d)$ .



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# Polynomial Multiplication

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# Polynomial Multiplication

- ▶ The product of two degree  $m$  polynomials is a polynomial of degree  $2m$ .
- ▶ Consider two polynomials  $A(x)$  and  $B(x)$ , where
  - ▶  $A(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_mx^m$
  - ▶  $B(x) = b_0 + b_1x + \dots + b_mx^m$
- ▶ Let  $C(x) = A(x)B(x)$ .
- ▶ The coefficients of  $C(x)$  can be represented as

$$c_k = \sum_{i=0}^k a_i b_{k-i}$$

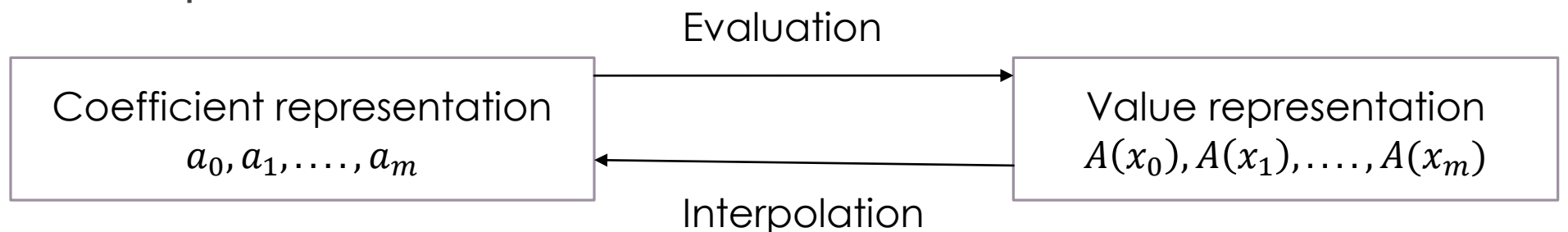
- ▶ Computing  $c_k$  from this formula takes  $\Theta(k)$  steps, and finding all  $2m + 1$  coefficients would therefore require  $\Theta(m^2)$  time.
- ▶ Can we multiply faster than this?

# Point Value Representation

- ▶ We can specify a degree  $m$  polynomial  $A(x)$  by either one of the following :
  - ▶ Its coefficients  $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_m$  [Monomial Basis]
  - ▶ The values  $A(x_0), A(x_1), \dots, A(x_m)$  [Lagrange Basis]
- ▶ The product  $C(x)$  has degree  $2m$ , so it is completely determined by any  $2m + 1$  points.
- ▶ The value of  $C(x)$  at any given point  $z$  is  $A(z) \times B(z)$ .
- ▶ Thus when  $A$  and  $B$  are given in point value representation, the point value representation of  $C$  can be computed in time that is linear in  $m$ .

# Polynomial Multiplication

- Typically,  $A$  and  $B$  are given input in coefficient representation.
- To translate input from coefficient to value representation, we need to evaluate the polynomial at chosen points.
- After multiplying in the value representation we need to translate back to coefficient representation.



# Polynomial Multiplication

- ➡ **Input** : Coefficients of polynomial,  $A(x)$  and  $B(x)$ , of degree  $m$ .
- ➡ **Output** : Their product  $C = AB$
- 1) **Selection** : Pick some points  $x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{d-1}$ , where  $d \geq 2m + 1$ .
- 2) **Evaluation** : Compute  $A(x_0), A(x_1), \dots, A(x_{d-1})$  and  $B(x_0), B(x_1), \dots, B(x_{d-1})$
- 3) **Multiplication** : Compute  $C(x_k) = A(x_k)B(x_k)$  for all  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, d - 1$
- 4) **Interpolation**: Recover  $C(x) = c_0 + c_1x + \dots + c_{2m}x^{2m}$

# An Example

- **Input:** Consider  $(3x^2 + 2x - 1) \times (5x - 2)$
- **Selection:** Lagrange basis for  $x = \{0,1,2,3\}$
- **Evaluation:** The vector representation of the two polynomials in the Lagrange basis are:
  - $(-1, 4, 15, 32)$ , and
  - $(-2, 3, 8, 13)$ .
- **Multiplication:** Product in Lagrange basis:  
 $(2, 12, 120, 416)$
- **Interpolation:**  $15x^3 + 4x^2 - 9x + 2$  (verify!)



# Polynomial Multiplication

- Multiplication step in algorithm takes linear time.
- Polynomial evaluation at  $d$  distinct points can be represented by  $y = Va$ .
- Similarly, interpolation step can be represented by  $a = V^{-1}y$ .
- Evaluation and interpolation steps in algorithm take  $O(d^2)$  time.
- We need to do better. How?

# Picking the $d$ points for interpolation: A first (incorrect) attempt

- ▶ We can choose any set of points at which we evaluate  $A(x)$ . In other words, we can choose the right Lagrange basis amenable to efficient computation.

- ▶ Polynomial  $A(x)$  can be represented as

$$A(x) = A_e(x^2) + xA_o(x^2)$$

$A_e(\cdot)$  : polynomial with the even numbered coefficients.

$A_o(\cdot)$  : polynomial with the odd numbered coefficients.

- ▶ Suppose we pick positive-negative pairs, that is

$$\pm x_0, \pm x_1, \dots, \pm x_{\frac{d}{2}-1}.$$

- ▶ Then, notice that  $A_e(x_i^2) = A_e((-x_i)^2)$ . Similarly,  $A_o(x_i^2) = A_o((-x_i)^2)$ .

# Picking the $d$ points for interpolation: A first (incorrect) attempt

- Given paired points  $\pm x_i$ , the calculation needed for  $A(x_i)$  can be recycled toward computing  $A(-x_i)$ .

$$A(x_i) = A_e(x_i^2) + x_i A_o(x_i^2)$$

$$A(-x_i) = A_e(x_i^2) - x_i A_o(x_i^2)$$

- So evaluating  $A(x)$  at  $d$  paired points  $\pm x_1, \pm x_2, \dots, \pm x_{\frac{d}{2}-1}$  reduces to evaluating  $A_e(x)$  and  $A_o(x)$  at just  $d/2$  points,  $x_0^2, x_1^2, \dots, x_{\frac{d}{2}-1}^2$ .
- The degree of  $A_e(x^2)$  and  $A_o(x^2)$  is half of the degree of  $A(x)$ .

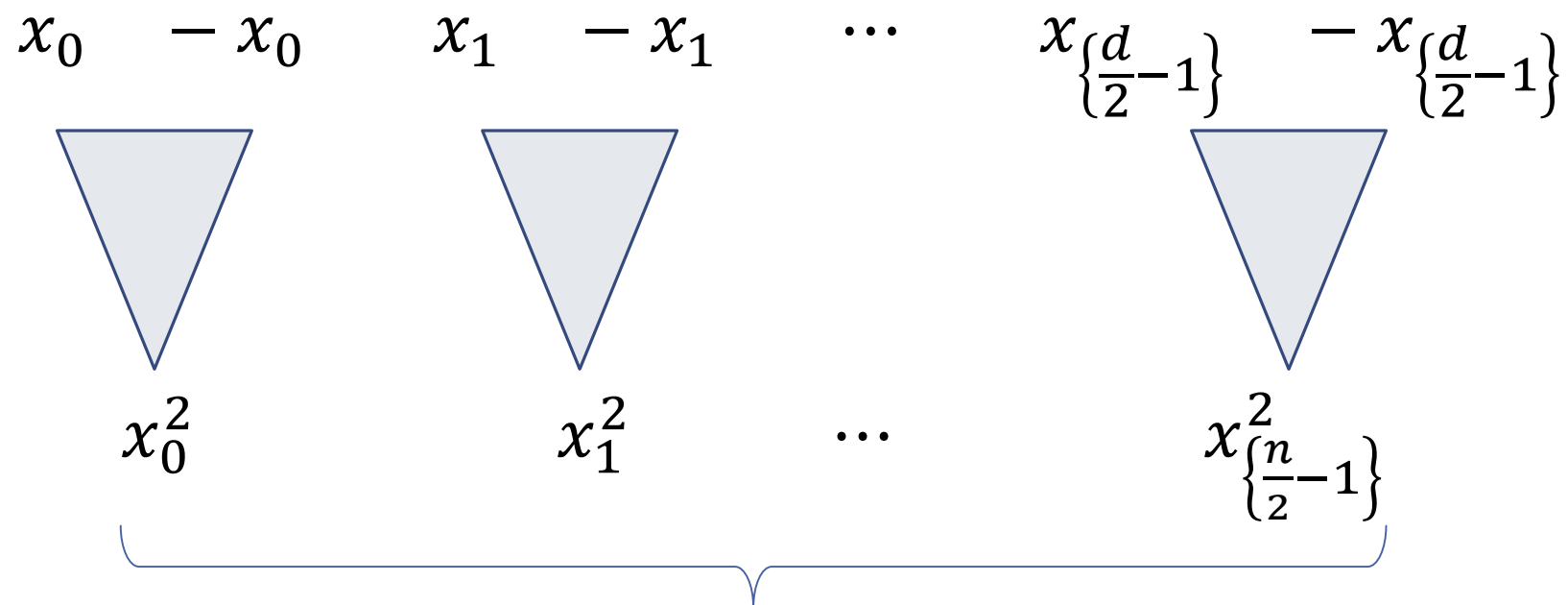
## Picking the $d$ points for interpolation: A first (incorrect) attempt

- ▶ The original problem of size  $d$  is in this way recast as two sub-problems of size  $d/2$ , followed by some linear time arithmetic.
- ▶ If we could continue recursively, we could get a procedure with running time

$$T(d) = 2T\left(\frac{d}{2}\right) + O(d) \in O(d \log d).$$

- ▶ The plus-minus trick only works at the top level of the recursion because  $A_e(x^2)$  cannot be split further owing to the fact that  $x^2$  is always positive.

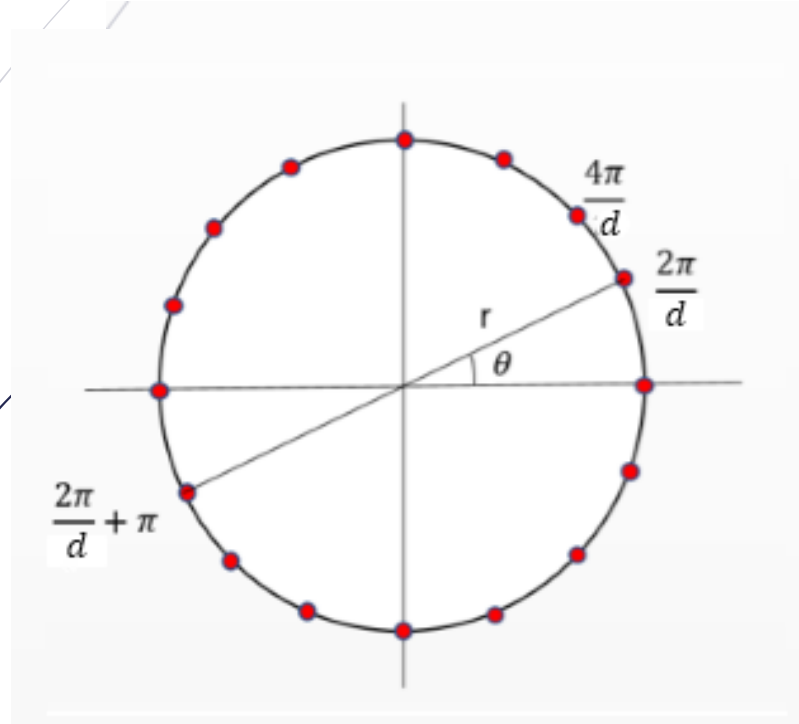
# Required Invariant: Plus-Minus Paired After Squaring



Unless... we use complex numbers

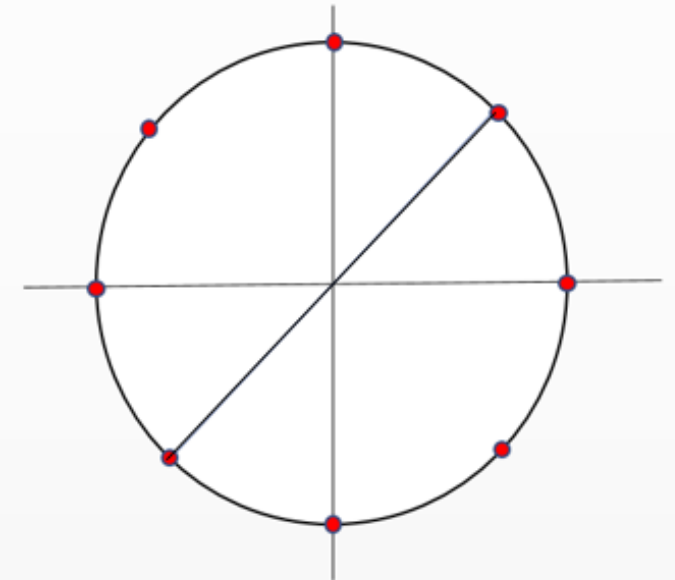
# Properties of $d^{\text{th}}$ complex roots of unity

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$16^{\text{th}}$  complex roots of unity.  
Plus-Minus Paired.

Squaring



$8^{\text{th}}$  complex roots of unity.  
Plus-Minus Paired.

# Complex Numbers: A Quick Recap

# The Complex $d^{\text{th}}$ Roots of Unity

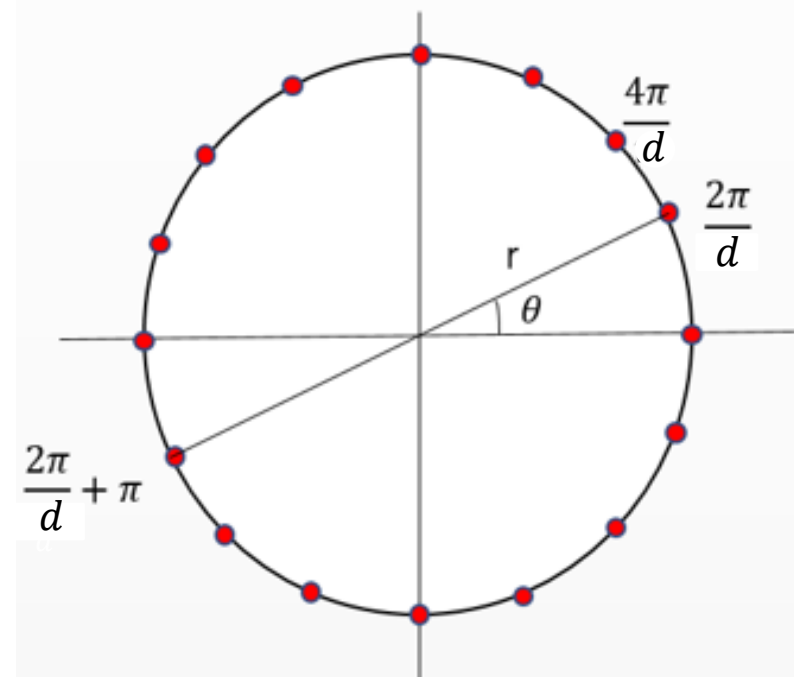
- ▶ The complex  $d^{\text{th}}$  roots of unity are the  $d$  complex solutions to the equation  $z^d = 1$ .
- ▶ The  $d^{\text{th}}$  roots of unity are the complex numbers  $1, \omega, \omega^2, \dots, \omega^{d-1}$ .
- ▶ Here  $\omega = e^{2\pi i/d}$ , the principal  $d^{\text{th}}$  root of unity and  $i = \sqrt{-1}$  is the imaginary unit.
- ▶ The  $d^{\text{th}}$  roots of unity can also be represented as  $e^{2\pi i k/d}$  for  $k = 0, 1, \dots, d-1$ , where using Euler's formula, we get

$$e^{2\pi i k/d} = \cos\left(\frac{2\pi k}{d}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{2\pi k}{d}\right)$$



# The Complex $d^{\text{th}}$ Roots of Unity

- In complex plane  $z = a + bi$  is plotted at position  $(a, b)$ .
- We can rewrite it as  $z = r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta) = re^{i\theta}$ .
- Here length  $r = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$  and angle  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi)$ .
- Solution to the equation  $z^d = 1$  are  $z = (1, \theta)$ , for  $\theta$  a multiple of  $\frac{2\pi}{d}$ . (shown here for  $d = 16$ ).



# Properties of $d^{th}$ complex roots of unity

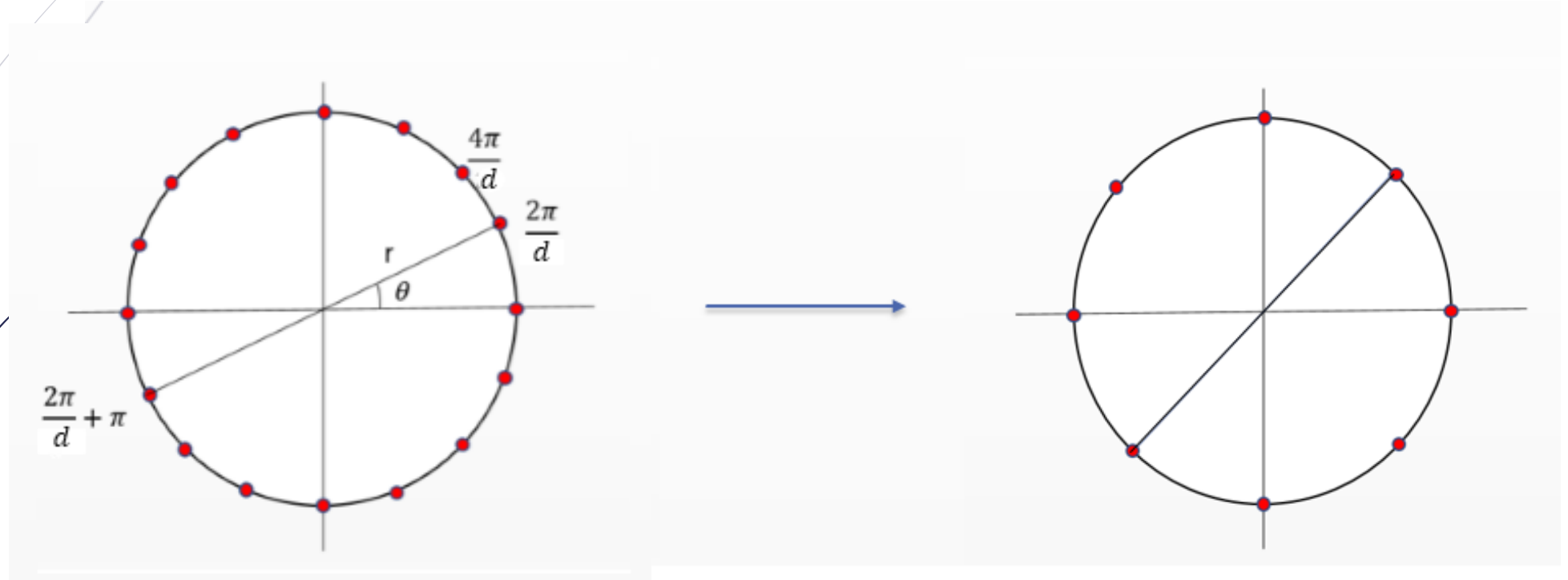
- ➡ **Property 1** : If  $d$  is even,  $d^{th}$  roots of unity are plus-minus paired, i.e.,

$$\omega^{\frac{d}{2}+j} = -\omega^j.$$

- ➡ **Property 2** : If  $d > 0$  is even, then the square of the complex  $d^{th}$  roots of unity are the  $d/2$  complex  $\left(\frac{d}{2}\right)^{th}$  roots of unity.

# Properties of $d^{\text{th}}$ complex roots of unity

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Squaring  $16^{\text{th}}$  complex roots of unity.

# Back to Polynomial Evaluation

Fast Fourier Transformation

# Evaluation

- ▶ We can take advantage of the special properties of the complex roots of unity to perform evaluation in time  $O(d \log d)$ .
- ▶ We evaluate at  $1, \omega, \omega^2, \dots, \omega^{d-1}$ .
- ▶ Represent polynomial as
$$A(x) = A_e(x^2) + xA_o(x^2)$$
- ▶ The problem of evaluating  $A(x)$  reduces to evaluating two  $d/2$  degree polynomials  $A_e$  and  $A_o$  at the points  $(\omega^0)^2, (\omega^1)^2, \dots, (\omega^{d-1})^2$ .
- ▶ The points  $(\omega^0)^2, (\omega^1)^2, \dots, (\omega^{d-1})^2$  do not contain  $d$  distinct values but  $d/2$  complex  $\left(\frac{d}{2}\right)^{\text{th}}$  roots of unity.

# How does this work ?

► For  $k = 0, 1, \dots, \frac{d}{2} - 1$

$$\text{► } A(\omega^k) = A_e(\omega^{2k}) + \omega^k A_o(\omega^{2k})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{► } A(\omega^{k+\frac{d}{2}}) &= A_e(\omega^{2k+d}) + \omega^{k+\frac{d}{2}} A_o(\omega^{2k+d}) \\ &= A_e(\omega^{2k}) - \omega^k A_o(\omega^{2k}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Since } \omega^{2k+d} = \omega^{2k} \text{ and } -\omega^k = \omega^{k+\frac{d}{2}}$$

The recursive algorithm to evaluate a polynomials at points  $1, \omega, \omega^2, \dots, \omega^{d-1}$  is called *FFT algorithm*.

# FFT Algorithm (Polynomial Evaluation)

## Function $FFT(A, \omega)$

- Input : Coefficient representation of a polynomial  $A(x)$  of degree at most  $d - 1$ , where  $d$  is power of 2 and  $\omega$  is a  $d^{th}$  root of unity.
- Output : Value representation  $A(\omega^0), \dots, A(\omega^{d-1})$ 
  - 1) if  $\omega = 1$  : return  $A(1)$
  - 2) express  $A(x)$  in the form  $A_e(x^2) + xA_o(x^2)$ .
  - 3) call  $FFT(A_e, \omega^2)$  to evaluate  $A_e$  at even powers of  $\omega$
  - 4) call  $FFT(A_o, \omega^2)$  to evaluate  $A_o$  at even powers of  $\omega$
  - 5) for  $j = 0$  to  $d - 1$   
    Compute  $A(\omega^j) = A_e(\omega^{2j}) + \omega^j A_o(\omega^{2j})$
  - 6) return  $A(\omega^0), \dots, A(\omega^{d-1})$ .

# Matrix Representation

- ▶ Let us now move towards polynomial interpolation.
- ▶ We can represent evaluation step in matrix vector multiplication form

$$\begin{bmatrix} A(\omega^0) \\ A(\omega^1) \\ \vdots \\ A(\omega^{d-1}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \omega^0 & \cdots & \omega^0 \\ 1 & \omega^1 & \cdots & \omega^{d-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ 1 & \omega^{d-1} & \cdots & \omega^{(d-1)(d-1)} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_d \end{bmatrix}$$

- ▶ Call the middle matrix  $M$  or  $M_d(\omega)$ , where  $d$  denotes that size of  $M$ .
- ▶ Notice that  $M$  is a Vandermonde matrix.



# Interpolation

- ▶ The matrix  $M$  is invertible, since it's a Vandermonde Matrix.
- ▶ Recall the relationship  $Ma = y \Rightarrow a = M^{-1}y$ .
- ▶ We multiply coefficient vector with  $M$ , to get the value representation.
- ▶ To get the coefficients we need to multiply the value vector  $y$  with  $M^{-1}$ .
- ▶ Exercise: Show that the columns of  $M$  are orthogonal and then show that  $M_d(\omega)^{-1} = \frac{1}{d}M_d(\omega^{-1})$ . Here,  $M_d(\omega)$  refers to a  $d \times d$  version of matrix  $M$ .

# Interpolation and the FFT

- ▶ We can modify the FFT algorithm to perform interpolation in time  $O(d \log d)$ .
- ▶  $\langle values \rangle = FFT(\langle coefficients \rangle, \omega)$
- ▶  $\langle coefficients \rangle = \frac{1}{d} FFT(\langle values \rangle, \omega^{-1})$

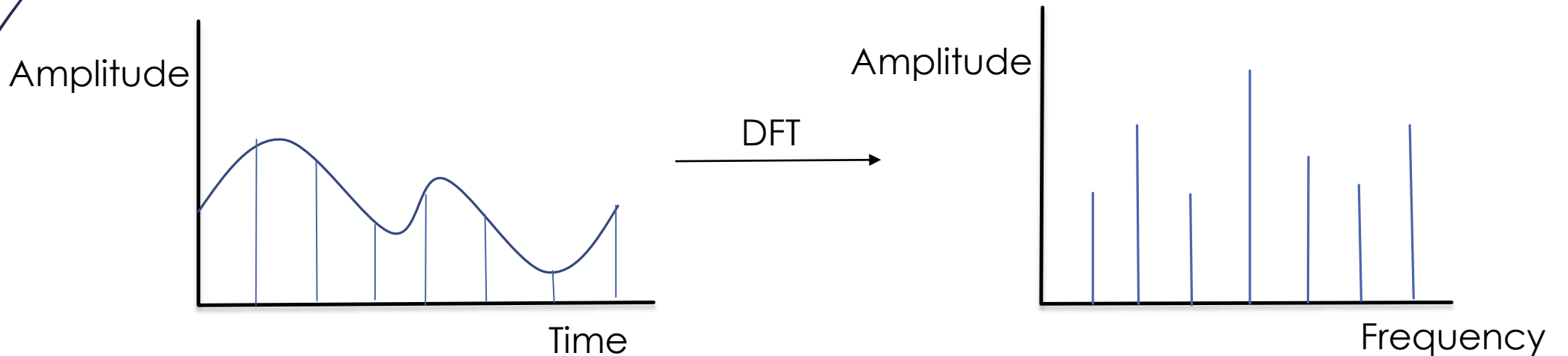
# Fourier Spectra, Transforms, Algorithm Redux

- Fourier Spectrum
  - We view it as an alternate Fourier basis.
  - Fourier Transform: changing to the Fourier basis.
- Sparsity and big-data.
- Polynomial Multiplication.
- Fast Fourier Transform: efficient ( $O(d \log d)$  time) divide-and-conquer algorithm.

# FFT Applied to Discrete Periodic Functions

# Discrete Sampling

- ▶ The *Fourier transform* of a periodic function of time requires an infinite number of sinusoidal waves of different frequencies.
- ▶ *Discrete Fourier transform* (DFT) of a periodic function sampled at discrete points only requires a finite number.



# Discrete Fourier Transformation

- Recall that a function can be represented as a vector.
- Given the value of a function at  $d$  uniformly sampled data points in time domain by a vector
$$a = (a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{d-1})$$
- Discrete Fourier Transformation of vector  $a$  is given by vector  $c = (c_0, c_1, c_2, \dots, c_{d-1})$ , where

$$c_k = \sum_{j=0}^{d-1} a_j e^{-i\frac{2\pi}{d}jk}$$

- Let  $\omega = e^{-i\frac{2\pi}{d}}$ , which is a  $d^{th}$  root of unity.
- The equation can be rewritten as

$$c_k = \sum_{j=0}^{d-1} a_j \omega^{jk}$$

# DFT

- ➡ DFT can be written as a matrix times a vector as  $c = Ma$ . which, for  $\omega = e^{-\frac{i2\pi}{d}}$  is

$$\begin{bmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_{d-1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \omega^0 & \omega^0 & \dots & \omega^0 \\ \omega^0 & \omega^1 & \dots & \omega^{d-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \omega^0 & \omega^{d-1} & \dots & \omega^{(d-1)(d-1)} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_{d-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

- ➡ Here  $a$  is the original input signal, and  $c$  is the DFT of the signal.