

Digital Signal Processing

Frequency Analysis of Signals (1)

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Frequency Analysis of Continuous-Time Signals

- Frequency analysis of a signal is resolution of signal into its frequency (sinusoidal) components
 - For class of periodic signals, such a decomposition is called a **Fourier series**
 - For class of finite energy signals, the decomposition is called **Fourier transform**
- The term **spectrum** is used when referring to frequency content of a signal
 - Different signal waveforms have different spectra
 - Thus spectrum provides an identity or a signature for a signal (no other signal has the same spectrum)
- Process of obtaining spectrum of a signal using basic mathematical tools is **frequency** or **spectral analysis**
 - In contrast, process of determining spectrum of a signal in practice, based on actual measurements of signal, is called **spectrum estimation**
 - In a practical problem, the signal is some information-bearing signal which does not lend itself to an exact mathematical description
- Recombination of sinusoidal components to reconstruct original signal is a Fourier synthesis problem

The Fourier Series for Continuous-Time Periodic Signals

- Examples of periodic signals are square waves, rectangular waves, triangular waves, sinusoids and complex exponentials
- Basic mathematical representation of periodic signals is Fourier series
 - Fourier series is a linear weighted sum of harmonically related sinusoids or complex exponentials
- A linear combination of harmonically related complex exponentials of form

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{j2\pi k F_0 t} \quad (1)$$

is a periodic signal with fundamental period $T_p = 1/F_0$

- This is called a **Fourier series**

The Fourier Series for Continuous-Time Periodic Signals

- Given a periodic signal $x(t)$ with period T_p , it can be represented by Fourier series
 - Fundamental frequency F_0 is reciprocal of given period T_p
 - To determine expression for $\{c_k\}$, first multiply both sides of (1) by

$$e^{-j2\pi F_0 l t} \quad (l \text{ is an integer})$$

and then integrate both sides of resulting equation from t_0 to $t_0 + T_p$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T_p} x(t) e^{-j2\pi l F_0 t} dt &= \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T_p} e^{-j2\pi l F_0 t} \left(\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{j2\pi k F_0 t} \right) dt \\ &= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T_p} e^{j2\pi F_0 (k-l)t} dt \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

$$= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k \left[\frac{e^{j2\pi F_0 (k-l)t}}{j2\pi F_0 (k-l)} \right]_{t_0}^{t_0+T_p} \quad (3)$$

For $k \neq l$, (3) yields zero

The Fourier Series for Continuous-Time Periodic Signals

- If $k = l$, from equation (2)

$$\int_{t_0}^{t_0+T_p} dt = t \Big|_{t_0}^{t_0+T_p} = T_p$$

Consequently

$$\int_{t_0}^{t_0+T_p} x(t)e^{-j2\pi lF_0 t} dt = c_l T_p$$
$$c_l = \frac{1}{T_p} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T_p} x(t)e^{-j2\pi lF_0 t} dt = \frac{1}{T_p} \int_{T_p} x(t)e^{-j2\pi lF_0 t} dt$$

Table 1: Frequency analysis of continuous-time periodic signals

Synthesis equation	$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{j2\pi kF_0 t}$
Analysis equation	$c_k = \frac{1}{T_p} \int_{T_p} x(t)e^{-j2\pi kF_0 t} dt$

The Fourier Series for Continuous-Time Periodic Signals

- Fourier coefficients c_k are complex valued
 - If periodic signal is real, c_k and c_{-k} are complex conjugates

$$c_k = |c_k|e^{j\theta_k} \longrightarrow c_{-k} = |c_k|e^{-j\theta_k}$$

Consequently, Fourier series may also be represented as

$$x(t) = c_0 + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |c_k| \cos(2\pi kF_0 t + \theta_k)$$

where c_0 is real when $x(t)$ is real

- Expanding cosine function in equation above

$$\cos(2\pi kF_0 t + \theta_k) = \cos 2\pi kF_0 t \cos \theta_k - \sin 2\pi kF_0 t \sin \theta_k$$

$$x(t) = a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (a_k \cos 2\pi kF_0 t - b_k \sin 2\pi kF_0 t)$$

where

$$a_0 = c_0$$

$$a_k = 2|c_k| \cos \theta_k$$

$$b_k = 2|c_k| \sin \theta_k$$

Power Density Spectrum of Periodic Signals

- A periodic signal has infinite energy and a finite average power, given as

$$P_x = \frac{1}{T_p} \int_{T_p} |x(t)|^2 dt$$

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{j2\pi k F_0 t} &\longrightarrow P_x = \frac{1}{T_p} \int_{T_p} x(t) \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k^* e^{-j2\pi k F_0 t} dt \\ &= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k^* \left[\frac{1}{T_p} \int_{T_p} x(t) e^{-j2\pi k F_0 t} dt \right] \\ &= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_k|^2 \end{aligned}$$

The established relation is called **Parseval's relation** for power signals

$$P_x = \frac{1}{T_p} \int_{T_p} |x(t)|^2 dt = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_k|^2$$

Example

- Suppose $x(t)$ consists of a single complex exponential

$$x(t) = c_k e^{j2\pi k F_0 t}$$

In this case, all Fourier series coefficients except c_k are zero

$$P_x = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_k|^2 \longrightarrow P_x = |c_k|^2$$

- $|c_k|^2$ represents power in k th harmonic component of signal
- Hence total average power in periodic signal is simply sum of average powers in all harmonics

Power Density Spectrum of Periodic Signals

- Plotting $|c_k|^2$ as a function of frequencies kF_0 , $k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$, obtained diagram is called **power density spectrum** or **power spectrum** of periodic signal $x(t)$

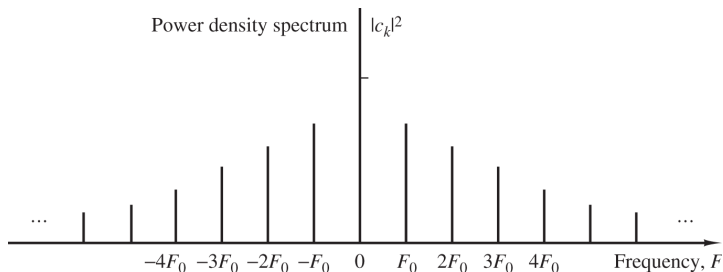


Figure 1: Power density spectrum of a continuous-time periodic signal.

- Since power in a periodic signal exists only at discrete values of frequencies, the signal is said to have a **line spectrum**

Power Density Spectrum of Periodic Signals

- Since Fourier series coefficients $\{c_k\}$ are complex valued, i.e.,

$$c_k = |c_k|e^{j\theta_k} \quad \text{where} \quad \theta_k = \angle c_k$$

instead of plotting power density spectrum, we can plot magnitude spectrum $\{|c_k|\}$ and phase spectrum $\{\theta_k\}$ as a function of frequency

- If periodic signal is real valued, then

$$c_{-k} = c_k^* \longrightarrow |c_{-k}|^2 = |c_k^*|^2 = |c_k|^2$$

- Power spectrum is an even function
- Magnitude spectrum is an even function
- Phase spectrum is an odd function
- Hence it is sufficient to specify spectrum for positive frequencies only
- Total average power

$$P_x = c_0^2 + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |c_k|^2 = a_0^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (a_k^2 + b_k^2)$$

$$a_0 = c_0$$

$$a_k = 2|c_k| \cos \theta_k$$

$$b_k = 2|c_k| \sin \theta_k$$

Example

- Determine Fourier series and power density spectrum of following rectangular pulse train signal

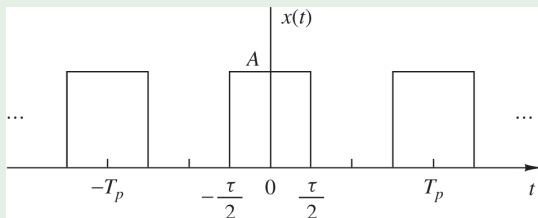


Figure 2: Continuous-time periodic train of rectangular pulses.

- Since $x(t)$ is an even signal, it is convenient to select integration interval from $-T_p/2$ to $T_p/2$

$$c_k = \frac{1}{T_p} \int_{T_p} x(t) e^{-j2\pi k F_0 t} dt \rightarrow c_0 = \frac{1}{T_p} \int_{-T_p/2}^{T_p/2} x(t) dt = \frac{1}{T_p} \int_{-\tau/2}^{\tau/2} A dt = \frac{A\tau}{T_p}$$

Example (continued)

- c_0 represents average value (dc component) of $x(t)$
- For $k \neq 0$

$$\begin{aligned}c_k &= \frac{1}{T_p} \int_{-\tau/2}^{\tau/2} A e^{-j2\pi k F_0 t} dt = \frac{A}{T_p} \left[\frac{e^{-j2\pi k F_0 t}}{-j2\pi k F_0} \right]_{-\tau/2}^{\tau/2} \\ &= \frac{A}{\pi F_0 k T_p} \frac{e^{j\pi k F_0 \tau} - e^{-j\pi k F_0 \tau}}{j2} \\ &= \frac{A\tau}{T_p} \frac{\sin \pi k F_0 \tau}{\pi k F_0 \tau}, \quad k = \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots\end{aligned}\tag{4}$$

(4) has the form $(\sin \phi)/\phi$, where $\phi = \pi k F_0 \tau$

- ϕ takes on discrete values since F_0 and τ are fixed and k varies
- However, plot of $(\sin \phi)/\phi$ with ϕ as a continuous parameter is shown in Fig. 3

Example (continued)

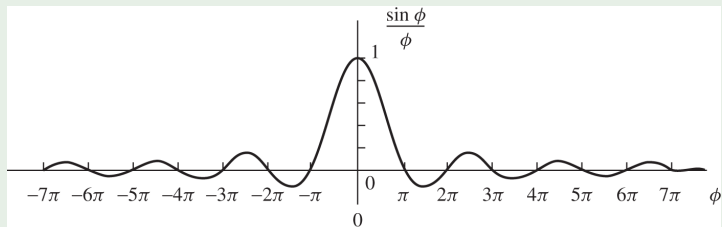


Figure 3: The function $(\sin \phi)/\phi$.

- Since $x(t)$ is even, Fourier coefficients $\{c_k\}$ are real
 - Phase spectrum is either zero, when c_k is positive, or π when c_k is negative
 - Instead of plotting magnitude and phase spectra separately, we may plot $\{c_k\}$ on a single graph

Example (continued)

- When T_p is fixed and pulse width τ is allowed to vary
 - $T_p = 0.25$ seconds $\rightarrow F_0 = 1/T_p = 4$ Hz
 - Spacing between adjacent spectral lines is $F_0 = 4$ Hz, independent of τ

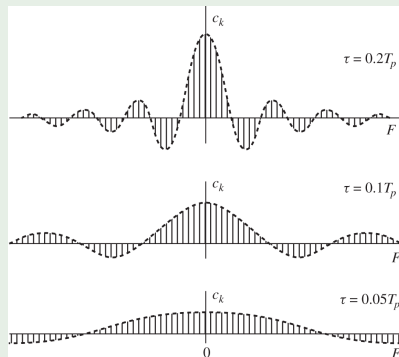


Figure 4: Fourier coefficients of the rectangular pulse train when T_p is fixed and the pulse width τ varies.

Example (continued)

- If τ is fixed and T_p varies when $T_p > \tau$
 - Spacing between adjacent spectral lines decreases as T_p increases

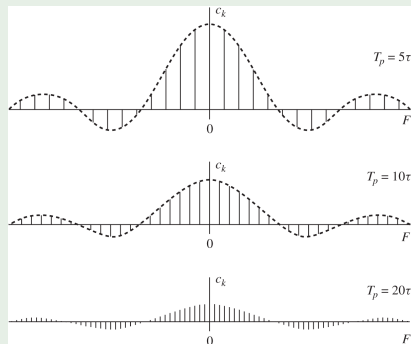


Figure 5: Fourier coefficients of a rectangular pulse train with fixed pulse width τ and varying period T_p .

Example (continued)

$$c_k = \frac{A\tau}{T_p} \frac{\sin \pi k F_0 \tau}{\pi k F_0 \tau}, \quad k = \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

- If $k \neq 0$ and $\sin(\pi k F_0 \tau) = 0$, then $c_k = 0$
 - Harmonics with zero power occur at frequencies kF_0 such that
$$\pi(kF_0)\tau = m\pi, \quad m = \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$
- Power density spectrum for rectangular pulse train

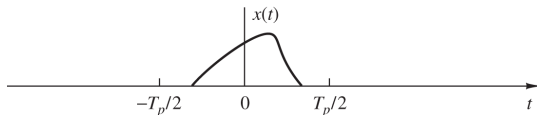
$$|c_k|^2 = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{A\tau}{T_p}\right)^2, & k = 0 \\ \left(\frac{A\tau}{T_p}\right)^2 \left(\frac{\sin \pi k F_0 \tau}{\pi k F_0 \tau}\right)^2, & k = \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots \end{cases}$$

- Periodic signals possess line spectra with equidistant lines
 - Line spacing is equal to fundamental frequency
 - Fundamental period provides number of lines per unit of frequency (line density), as shown in Fig. 5
- Allowing period to increase without limit, line spacing tends toward zero
 - When period becomes infinite, signal becomes aperiodic and its spectrum becomes continuous
 - Spectrum of an aperiodic signal is envelope of line spectrum in corresponding periodic signal obtained by repeating the aperiodic signal with some period T_p

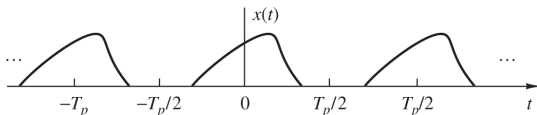
Fourier Transform for Continuous-Time Aperiodic Signals

- Consider an aperiodic signal $x(t)$ with finite duration
 - We can create a periodic signal $x_p(t)$ with period T_p

$$x(t) = \lim_{T_p \rightarrow \infty} x_p(t)$$



(a)



(b)

Figure 6: (a) Aperiodic signal $x(t)$ and (b) periodic signal $x_p(t)$ constructed by repeating $x(t)$ with a period T_p .

Fourier Transform for Continuous-Time Aperiodic Signals

- Fourier series representation of $x_p(t)$

$$x_p(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{j2\pi k F_0 t}, \quad F_0 = \frac{1}{T_p}$$

where

$$c_k = \frac{1}{T_p} \int_{-T_p/2}^{T_p/2} x_p(t) e^{-j2\pi k F_0 t} dt$$

Since $x_p(t) = x(t)$ for $-T_p/2 \leq t \leq T_p/2$ and $x(t) = 0$ for $|t| > T_p/2$

$$c_k = \frac{1}{T_p} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j2\pi k F_0 t} dt$$

Defining a function $X(F)$, called **Fourier transform** of $x(t)$

$$X(F) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j2\pi Ft} dt$$

$$c_k = \frac{1}{T_p} X(kF_0) \quad \text{or} \quad T_p c_k = X(kF_0) = X\left(\frac{k}{T_p}\right)$$

Fourier coefficients are samples of $X(F)$ taken at multiples of F_0 and scaled by F_0 (multiplied by $1/T_p$)

Fourier Transform for Continuous-Time Aperiodic Signals

- If we substitute for c_k in Fourier series representation of $x_p(t)$

$$x_p(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{j2\pi k F_0 t}, \quad F_0 = \frac{1}{T_p}$$

$$T_p c_k = X(kF_0) = X\left(\frac{k}{T_p}\right)$$

we obtain

$$x_p(t) = \frac{1}{T_p} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} X\left(\frac{k}{T_p}\right) e^{j2\pi k F_0 t}$$

Defining $\Delta F = \frac{1}{T_p}$

$$x_p(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} X(k\Delta F) e^{j2\pi k \Delta F t} \Delta F$$

$$\lim_{T_p \rightarrow \infty} x_p(t) = x(t) = \lim_{\Delta F \rightarrow 0} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} X(k\Delta F) e^{j2\pi k \Delta F t} \Delta F$$

$$\xrightarrow[k\Delta F \rightarrow F]{\Delta F \rightarrow dF} x(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(F) e^{j2\pi F t} dF \quad (\text{inverse Fourier transform})$$

Table 2: Frequency analysis of continuous-time aperiodic signals

Synthesis equation (inverse transform)	$x(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(F)e^{j2\pi Ft} dF$
Analysis equation (direct transform)	$X(F) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)e^{-j2\pi Ft} dt$

- Above Fourier transform pair can be expressed in terms of $\Omega = 2\pi F$
 - Since $dF = d\Omega/2\pi$

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(\Omega)e^{j\Omega t} d\Omega$$

$$X(\Omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)e^{-j\Omega t} dt$$

- Let $x(t)$ be any finite energy signal with Fourier transform $X(F)$

$$\begin{aligned} E_x &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)|^2 dt \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)x^*(t) dt \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) dt \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X^*(F)e^{-j2\pi Ft} dF \right] \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X^*(F) dF \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)e^{-j2\pi Ft} dt \right] \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |X(F)|^2 dF \end{aligned}$$

- Parseval's relation** for aperiodic, finite energy signals

$$E_x = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)|^2 dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |X(F)|^2 dF$$

- Spectrum $X(F)$ of a signal is complex valued

$$X(F) = |X(F)|e^{j\Theta(F)}$$

where $|X(F)|$ is magnitude spectrum and $\Theta(F)$ is phase spectrum

$$\Theta(F) = \angle X(F)$$

- **Energy density spectrum** of $x(t)$

$$S_{xx}(F) = |X(F)|^2$$

- $S_{xx}(F)$ is real and nonnegative, and does not contain any phase information
 - It is impossible to reconstruct signal given $S_{xx}(F)$
- If signal $x(t)$ is real, then

$$\begin{aligned}|X(-F)| &= |X(F)| \\ \angle X(-F) &= -\angle X(F)\end{aligned}$$

- Energy density spectrum of a real signal has even symmetry

$$S_{xx}(-F) = S_{xx}(F)$$

Example

- Determine Fourier transform and energy density spectrum of

$$x(t) = \begin{cases} A, & |t| \leq \tau/2 \\ 0, & |t| > \tau/2 \end{cases}$$

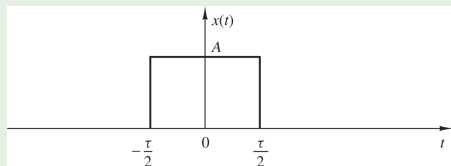


Figure 7: Rectangular pulse.

- This signal is aperiodic

$$X(F) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)e^{-j2\pi Ft} dt \rightarrow X(F) = \int_{-\tau/2}^{\tau/2} Ae^{-j2\pi Ft} dt = A\tau \frac{\sin \pi F\tau}{\pi F\tau}$$

Example (continued)

- $X(F)$ is real and hence can be depicted using only one diagram

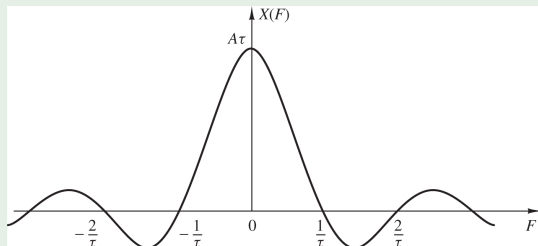


Figure 8: Fourier transform of rectangular pulse.

- Zero crossings of $X(F)$ occur at multiples of $1/\tau$
- Width of main lobe, which contains most of signal energy, is $2/\tau$
 - As τ decreases (increases), main lobe becomes broader (narrower) and more energy is moved to higher (lower) frequencies

Example (continued)

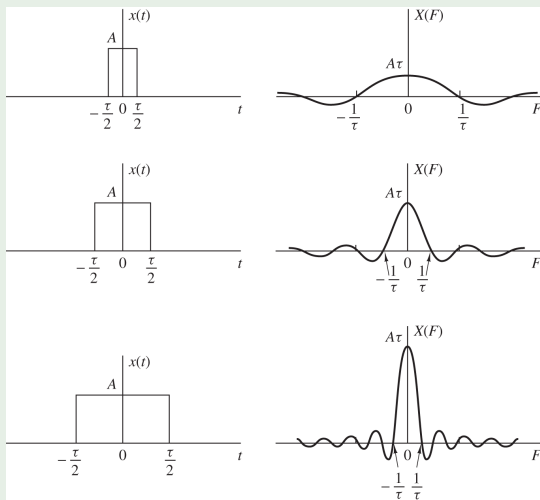


Figure 9: Fourier transform of a rectangular pulse for various width values.

Example (continued)

- As shown in Fig. 9, as signal pulse is expanded (compressed) in time, its transform is compressed (expanded) in frequency
- Energy density spectrum of rectangular pulse

$$S_{xx}(F) = (A\tau)^2 \left(\frac{\sin \pi F\tau}{\pi F\tau} \right)^2$$

Frequency Analysis of Discrete-Time Signals

- Fourier series representation of a continuous-time periodic signal can consist of an infinite number of frequency components
 - Frequency spacing between two successive harmonically related frequencies is $1/T_p$ (T_p is fundamental period)
- Since frequency range for continuous-time signals extends from $-\infty$ to ∞ , it is possible to have signals that contain an infinite number of frequency components
 - In contrast, frequency range for discrete-time signals is unique over interval $(-\pi, \pi)$ or $(0, 2\pi)$
- A discrete-time signal of fundamental period N can consist of frequency components separated by $2\pi/N$ radians or $f = 1/N$ cycles
 - Consequently, Fourier series representation of discrete-time periodic signal contains at most N frequency components

The Fourier Series for Discrete-Time Periodic Signals

- Given a periodic sequence $x(n)$ with period N (i.e., $x(n) = x(n + N)$ for all n), Fourier series representation for $x(n)$ consists of N harmonically related exponential functions

$$e^{j2\pi kn/N}, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$$

and is expressed as

$$x(n) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} c_k e^{j2\pi kn/N} \quad (5)$$

where $\{c_k\}$ are coefficients in series representation

The Fourier Series for Discrete-Time Periodic Signals

- Multiplying both sides of (5) by $e^{-j2\pi ln/N}$ and summing from $n = 0$ to $n = N - 1$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n)e^{-j2\pi ln/N} = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} c_k e^{j2\pi(k-l)n/N} \quad (6)$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} e^{j2\pi(k-l)n/N} = \begin{cases} N, & k - l = 0, \pm N, \pm 2N, \dots \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Right-hand side of (6) reduces to Nc_l and hence

$$c_l = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n)e^{-j2\pi ln/N}, \quad l = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$$

The Fourier Series for Discrete-Time Periodic Signals

Table 3: Frequency analysis of discrete-time periodic signals

Synthesis equation	$x(n) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} c_k e^{j2\pi kn/N}$
Analysis equation	$c_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n) e^{-j2\pi kn/N}$

- The synthesis equation above is often called **discrete-time Fourier series (DTFS)**
- From Analysis equation above, which holds for every value of k , we have

$$c_{k+N} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n) e^{-j2\pi(k+N)n/N} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n) e^{-j2\pi kn/N} = c_k$$

- *Spectrum of a signal $x(n)$, which is periodic with period N , is a periodic sequence with period N*
- Any N consecutive samples of signal or its spectrum provide a complete description of signal in time or frequency domains

Example

- Determine spectrum of signal

$$x(n) = \cos \sqrt{2}\pi n$$

- Since $\omega_0 = \sqrt{2}\pi \rightarrow f_0 = 1/\sqrt{2}$
 - f_0 is not a rational number \rightarrow signal is not periodic \rightarrow signal cannot be expanded in a Fourier series
 - Nevertheless, signal possesses a spectrum consisting of single frequency component at $\omega = \omega_0 = \sqrt{2}\pi$

Example

- Determine spectrum of signal

$$x(n) = \cos \pi n/3$$

- $f_0 = \frac{1}{6} \rightarrow x(n)$ is periodic with fundamental period $N = 6$

$$c_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n) e^{-j2\pi kn/N} \rightarrow c_k = \frac{1}{6} \sum_{n=0}^5 x(n) e^{-j2\pi kn/6}, k = 0, 1, \dots, 5$$

$$x(n) = \cos \frac{\pi n}{3} = \cos \frac{2\pi n}{6} = \frac{1}{2} e^{j2\pi n/6} + \frac{1}{2} e^{-j2\pi n/6}$$

Comparing $x(n)$ with synthesis equation, $x(n) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} c_k e^{j2\pi kn/N}$

$$e^{j2\pi n/6} \rightarrow k = 1 \rightarrow c_1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$e^{-j2\pi n/6} (k = -1) \rightarrow e^{-j2\pi n/6} = e^{j2\pi(5-6)n/6} = e^{j2\pi(5n)/6} \rightarrow k = 5 \rightarrow$$

$$c_5 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$c_0 = c_2 = c_3 = c_4 = 0, c_1 = \frac{1}{2}, c_5 = \frac{1}{2}$$

Example (continued)

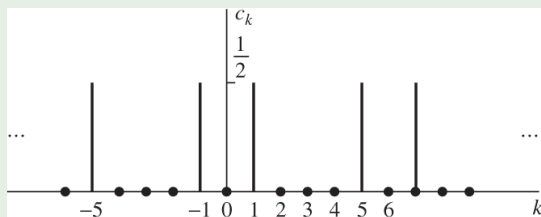


Figure 10: Spectrum of the periodic signal discussed in Example.

Example

- Determine spectrum of signal

$$x(n) = \{ \underset{\uparrow}{1}, 1, 0, 0 \}$$

where $x(n)$ is periodic with period $N = 4$

- From analysis equation

$$c_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n)e^{-j2\pi kn/N} \rightarrow c_k = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=0}^3 x(n)e^{-j2\pi kn/4}, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, 3$$

$$c_k = \frac{1}{4}(1 + e^{-j\pi k/2}), \quad k = 0, 1, 2, 3$$

$$c_0 = \frac{1}{2}, \quad c_1 = \frac{1}{4}(1 - j), \quad c_2 = 0, \quad c_3 = \frac{1}{4}(1 + j)$$

Magnitude and phase spectra are

$$|c_0| = \frac{1}{2}, \quad |c_1| = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}, \quad |c_2| = 0, \quad |c_3| = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}$$

$$\angle c_0 = 0, \quad \angle c_1 = -\frac{\pi}{4}, \quad \angle c_2 = \text{undefined}, \quad \angle c_3 = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

The Fourier Series for Discrete-Time Periodic Signals

Example (continued)

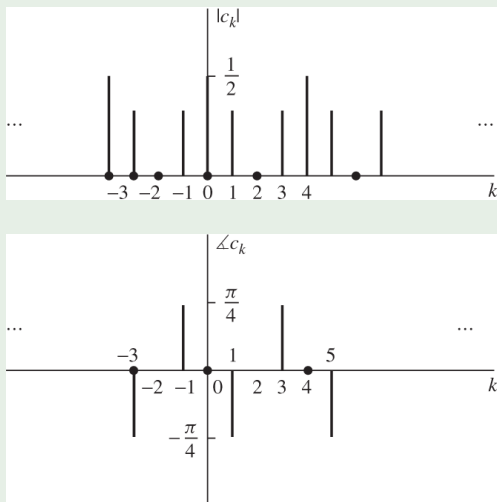


Figure 11: Spectra of the periodic signal discussed in Example.

Power Density Spectrum of Periodic Signals

- Average power of a discrete-time periodic signal with period N

$$P_x = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} |x(n)|^2$$
$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n)x^*(n)$$

$$x(n) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} c_k e^{j2\pi kn/N} \rightarrow P_x = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n) \left(\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} c_k^* e^{-j2\pi kn/N} \right)$$
$$= \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} c_k^* \left[\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n) e^{-j2\pi kn/N} \right]$$

$$c_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n) e^{-j2\pi kn/N} \rightarrow P_x = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} |c_k|^2$$

- Average power in signal is sum of powers of individual frequency components
- $|c_k|^2$ for $k = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$ is called **power density spectrum**

Power Density Spectrum of Periodic Signals

- If $x(n)$ is real ($x^*(n) = x(n)$), then

$$c_k^* = c_{-k}$$

or

$$|c_{-k}| = |c_k| \quad \text{and} \quad -\angle c_{-k} = \angle c_k$$

- Because

$$c_{k+N} = c_k$$

then

$$|c_k| = |c_{N-k}| \quad \text{and} \quad \angle c_k = -\angle c_{N-k}$$

- Thus, for a real signal, the spectrum

$$c_k, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, N/2 \text{ for } N \text{ even,} \\ \text{or } c_k, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, (N-1)/2 \text{ for } N \text{ odd}$$

completely specifies signal in frequency domain

- This is consistent with the fact that the highest relative frequency that can be represented by a discrete-time signal is π

$$0 \leq \omega_k = 2\pi k/N \leq \pi \longrightarrow 0 \leq k \leq N/2$$

Example

- Determine Fourier series coefficients and power density spectrum of periodic signal shown in Fig. 12

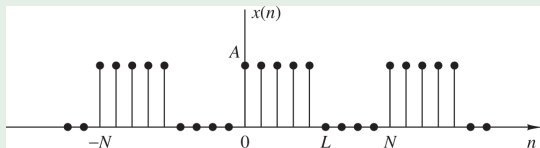


Figure 12: Discrete-time periodic square-wave signal.

- Applying analysis equation

$$c_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n) e^{-j2\pi kn/N} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} A e^{-j2\pi kn/N}, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$$

$$c_k = \frac{A}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} (e^{-j2\pi k/N})^n = \begin{cases} \frac{AL}{N}, & k = 0 \\ \frac{A}{N} \frac{1 - e^{-j2\pi kL/N}}{1 - e^{-j2\pi k/N}}, & k = 1, 2, \dots, N-1 \end{cases}$$

Example (continued)

- Simplifying last expression further

$$\frac{1 - e^{-j2\pi kL/N}}{1 - e^{-j2\pi k/N}} = \frac{e^{-j\pi kL/N} e^{j\pi kL/N} - e^{-j\pi kL/N}}{e^{-j\pi k/N} e^{j\pi k/N} - e^{-j\pi k/N}} = e^{-j\pi k(L-1)/N} \frac{\sin(\pi kL/N)}{\sin(\pi k/N)}$$

Therefore

$$c_k = \begin{cases} \frac{AL}{N}, & k = 0, \pm N, \pm 2N, \dots \\ \frac{A}{N} e^{-j\pi k(L-1)/N} \frac{\sin(\pi kL/N)}{\sin(\pi k/N)}, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Power density spectrum

$$|c_k|^2 = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{AL}{N}\right)^2, & k = 0, \pm N, \pm 2N, \dots \\ \left(\frac{A}{N}\right)^2 \left(\frac{\sin(\pi kL/N)}{\sin(\pi k/N)}\right)^2, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Power Density Spectrum of Periodic Signals

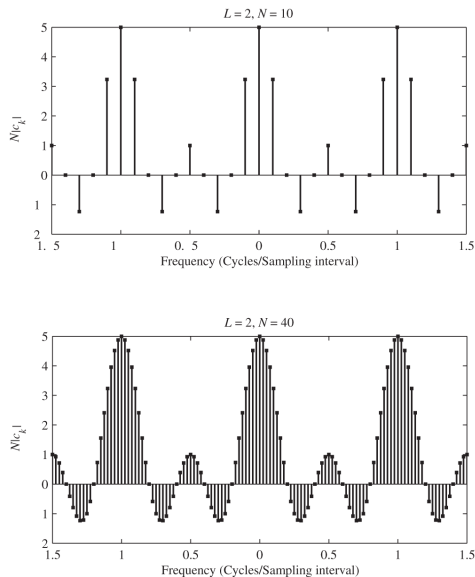


Figure 13: Power density spectrum $|c_k|^2$ for $L = 2, N = 10$ and 40 , and $A = 1$.

The Fourier Transform of Discrete-Time Aperiodic Signals

- Fourier transform of a finite-energy discrete-time signal $x(n)$

$$X(\omega) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n)e^{-j\omega n} \quad (7)$$

- $X(\omega)$ is a decomposition of $x(n)$ into its frequency components
- Frequency range for a discrete-time signal is unique over frequency interval of $(-\pi, \pi)$ or, equivalently, $(0, 2\pi)$

$$\begin{aligned} X(\omega + 2\pi k) &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n)e^{-j(\omega+2\pi k)n} \\ &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n)e^{-j\omega n} e^{-j2\pi kn} \\ &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n)e^{-j\omega n} = X(\omega) \end{aligned}$$

Hence $X(\omega)$ is periodic with period 2π

The Fourier Transform of Discrete-Time Aperiodic Signals

- Multiplying both sides of (7) by $e^{j\omega m}$ and integrating over $(-\pi, \pi)$

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} X(\omega) e^{j\omega m} d\omega = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left[\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n) e^{-j\omega n} \right] e^{j\omega m} d\omega$$

On right-hand side, order interchange of \sum and \int can be made if

$$X_N(\omega) = \sum_{n=-N}^N x(n) e^{-j\omega n}$$

converges uniformly to $X(\omega)$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$

- I.e., for every ω , $X_N(\omega) \rightarrow X(\omega)$, as $N \rightarrow \infty$

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n) \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{j\omega(m-n)} d\omega = \begin{cases} 2\pi x(m), & m = n \\ 0, & m \neq n \end{cases}$$

$$x(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} X(\omega) e^{j\omega n} d\omega$$

The Fourier Transform of Discrete-Time Aperiodic Signals

Table 4: Frequency analysis of discrete-time aperiodic signals

Synthesis equation (inverse transform)	$x(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{2\pi} X(\omega) e^{j\omega n} d\omega$
Analysis equation (direct transform)	$X(\omega) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n) e^{-j\omega n}$

- Energy of a discrete-time signal $x(n)$ is

$$\begin{aligned} E_x &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |x(n)|^2 = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n)x^*(n) \\ &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n) \left[\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} X^*(\omega) e^{-j\omega n} d\omega \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} X^*(\omega) \left[\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n) e^{-j\omega n} \right] d\omega \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |X(\omega)|^2 d\omega \end{aligned}$$

Parseval's relation for discrete-time aperiodic signals with finite energy

$$E_x = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |x(n)|^2 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |X(\omega)|^2 d\omega$$

Energy Density Spectrum of Aperiodic Signals

- $X(\omega)$ is a complex-valued function

$$X(\omega) = |X(\omega)|e^{j\Theta(\omega)}$$

where

$$\Theta(\omega) = \angle X(\omega)$$

is phase spectrum and $|X(\omega)|$ is magnitude spectrum

- **Energy density spectrum** of $x(n)$

$$S_{xx}(\omega) = |X(\omega)|^2$$

- if $x(n)$ is real, then

$$X^*(\omega) = X(-\omega)$$

- $|X(-\omega)| = |X(\omega)|$
- $\angle X(-\omega) = -\angle X(\omega)$
- $S_{xx}(-\omega) = S_{xx}(\omega)$
- Similar to real discrete-time periodic signals, frequency range of real discrete-time aperiodic signals can also be limited further to one-half of period

$$0 \leq \omega \leq \pi$$

Example

- Determine and sketch energy density spectrum $S_{xx}(\omega)$ of signal

$$x(n) = a^n u(n), \quad -1 < a < 1$$

- Applying Fourier transform

$$X(\omega) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n)e^{-j\omega n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a^n e^{-j\omega n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (ae^{-j\omega})^n$$

Since $|ae^{-j\omega}| = |a| < 1$, using geometric series

$$X(\omega) = \frac{1}{1 - ae^{-j\omega}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_{xx}(\omega) &= |X(\omega)|^2 = X(\omega)X^*(\omega) = \frac{1}{(1 - ae^{-j\omega})(1 - ae^{j\omega})} \\ &= \frac{1}{1 - 2a \cos \omega + a^2} \end{aligned}$$

Energy Density Spectrum of Aperiodic Signals

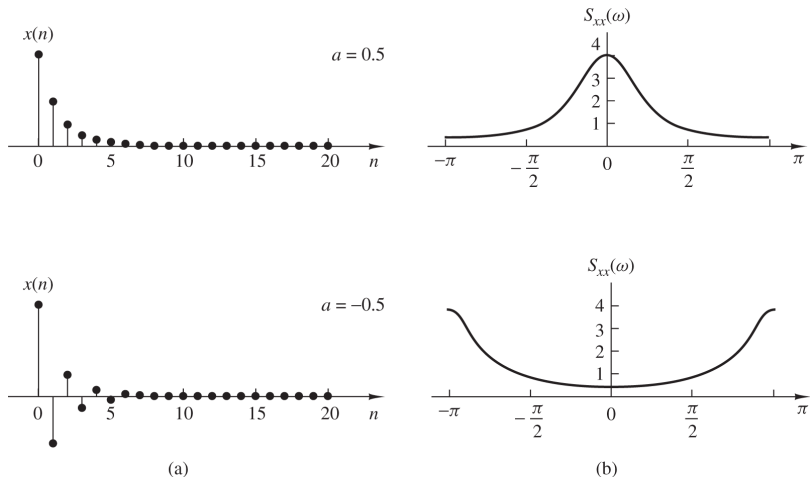


Figure 14: (a) Sequence $x(n) = (\frac{1}{2})^n u(n)$ and $x(n) = (-\frac{1}{2})^n u(n)$; (b) their energy spectra. For $a = -0.5$ the signal has more rapid variations and as a result its spectrum has stronger high frequencies.

Example

- Determine Fourier transform and energy density spectrum of sequence

$$x(n) = \begin{cases} A, & 0 \leq n \leq L-1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

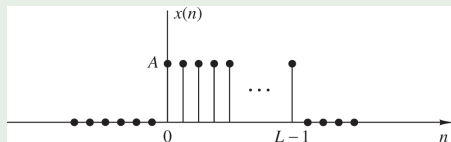


Figure 15: Discrete-time rectangular pulse.

- Fourier transform of this signal is

$$X(\omega) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n)e^{-j\omega n} = \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} Ae^{-j\omega n} = A \frac{1 - e^{-j\omega L}}{1 - e^{-j\omega}}$$

Example (continued)

$$X(\omega) = Ae^{-j(\omega/2)(L-1)} \frac{\sin(\omega L/2)}{\sin(\omega/2)}$$

$$|X(\omega)| = \begin{cases} |A|L, & \omega = 0 \\ |A| \left| \frac{\sin(\omega L/2)}{\sin(\omega/2)} \right|, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\angle X(\omega) = \angle A - \frac{\omega}{2}(L-1) + \angle \frac{\sin(\omega L/2)}{\sin(\omega/2)}$$

Energy Density Spectrum of Aperiodic Signals

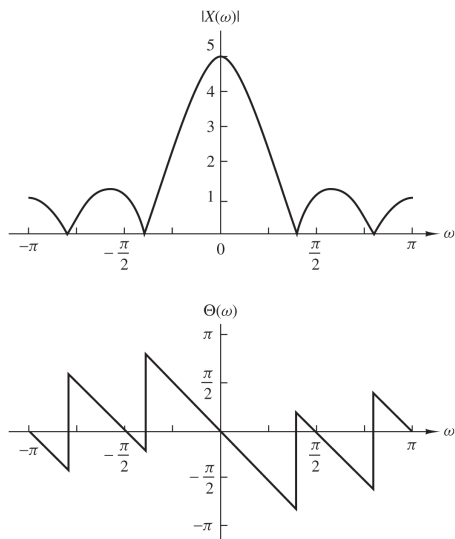


Figure 16: Magnitude and phase of Fourier transform of the discrete-time rectangular pulse in Fig. 15, for the case $A = 1$ and $L = 5$.



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