

DEF: $X(\omega) = \mathcal{F}\{x(t)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)e^{-j\omega t} dt$; $x(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(\omega)e^{j\omega t} d\omega$.

Note: (1) Sign change in $e^{\pm j\omega t}$; (2) Integrate over t vs. ω ; (3) Factor of $\frac{1}{2\pi}$.

Need: $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)| dt < \infty \Leftrightarrow x(t)$ “absolutely integrable” for $X(\omega)$ to exist.

Huh? Splits $x(t)$ into frequency components \sim prism; recombine into $x(t)$.

Also: Regard as Fourier series expansion of $x(t)$ having period $T \rightarrow \infty$.

Then $\Delta\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} \rightarrow 0$: continuous spectrum. Units of $X(\omega)$: seconds.

Also: $\mathcal{F}\{x(t)\} = \mathcal{L}\{x(t)\}|_{s=j\omega}$ where \mathcal{L} is the 2-sided Laplace transform.

BASIC PROPERTIES

1. $x(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(\omega)e^{j\omega t} d\omega \rightarrow \overline{[h(t)]} \rightarrow y(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} H(\omega)X(\omega)e^{j\omega t} d\omega$.

2. **Linear:** $\mathcal{F}\{ax(t) + by(t)\} = a\mathcal{F}\{x(t)\} + b\mathcal{F}\{y(t)\}$ for constants a, b .

EX: $\mathcal{F}\{\delta(t) - ae^{-at}u(t)\} = 1 - a \frac{1}{j\omega + a} = \frac{j\omega + a}{j\omega + a} - \frac{a}{j\omega + a} = \frac{j\omega}{j\omega + a} \approx \frac{j\omega}{a}$ for $\omega \ll a$.

3. **Convolution:** $\mathcal{F}\{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(u)y(t-u)du\} = \mathcal{F}\{x(t)\}\mathcal{F}\{y(t)\}$.

EX: $e^{-t}u(t) * e^{-2t}u(t) = \mathcal{F}^{-1}\{\frac{1}{j\omega + 1} \frac{1}{j\omega + 2}\} = \mathcal{F}^{-1}\{\frac{1}{j\omega + 1} - \frac{1}{j\omega + 2}\} = [e^{-t} - e^{-2t}]u(t)$.

4. **Time scaling:** $\mathcal{F}\{x(at)\} = \frac{1}{|a|} X(\frac{\omega}{a})$ for any constant a . Try $\cos(\omega_o t)$.

Also: Time reversal: $\mathcal{F}\{x(-t)\} = X(-\omega)$ and $\mathcal{F}\{x(t)^*\} = X(-\omega)^*$.

5. **Time delay:** $\mathcal{F}\{x(t-D)\} = X(\omega)e^{-j\omega D}$. Note same signs.

Also: (1) Magnitude same; (2) Linear (in ω) phase shift: “linear phase.”

6. **Modulation:** $\mathcal{F}\{x(t)e^{jat}\} = X(\omega - a)$. Note different signs.

EX: $\mathcal{F}\{x(t)\cos(\omega_o t)\} = \frac{1}{2}X(\omega - \omega_o) + \frac{1}{2}X(\omega + \omega_o)$. Shifts spectrum.

This one equation will form the basis of our study of communications.

7. **Differentiation:** $\mathcal{F}\{\frac{dx}{dt}\} = j\omega X(\omega)$. Assumes no initial condition.

Why? $\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(\omega) \frac{de^{j\omega t}}{dt} d\omega = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} j\omega X(\omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega = \mathcal{F}^{-1}\{j\omega X(\omega)\}$.

Note: If $x(t)$ includes $0.000001 \sin(10^{12}t)$ then $\frac{dx}{dt}$ includes $1000000 \cos(10^{12}t)$.

Use: Note $h(t) = \delta(t) - ae^{-at}u(t)$ has frequency response $H(\omega)$ computed above.

8. **Time multiplication:** $\mathcal{F}\{tx(t)\} = -\frac{dX(j\omega)}{d(j\omega)}$. $\mathcal{F}\{te^{-at}u(t)\} = [\frac{1}{j\omega + a}]^2$.

9. **DC:** (frequency=0) $X(0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) dt = \text{average}$; $x(0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(\omega) d\omega$.

10. **Duality:** If $\mathcal{F}\{x(t)\} = X(\omega)$, then $\mathcal{F}\{X(t)\} = 2\pi x(-\omega)$.

CONJUGATE SYMMETRY AND EVEN AND ODD FUNCTIONS

1. $x(t)$ real $\rightarrow X(-\omega) = X^*(\omega)$: Called “conjugate symmetry” of $X(\omega)$.

a. $Re[X(\omega)] = +Re[X(-\omega)] = +\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) \cos(\omega t) dt$: even function.

b. $Im[X(\omega)] = -Im[X(-\omega)] = -\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) \sin(\omega t) dt$: odd function.

c. $|X(\omega)| = |X(-\omega)|$: Fourier magnitude is an even function of ω .

d. $Arg[X(\omega)] = -Arg[X(-\omega)]$: Argument (phase) is odd function.

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2. Let $x(t) = x_e(t) + x_o(t)$ where $x_e(t) = \frac{x(t)+x(-t)}{2}$ = even part of $x(t)$.
 (note can always do this) and $x_o(t) = \frac{x(t)-x(-t)}{2}$ = odd part of $x(t)$.

Then: $Re[X(\omega)] = \mathcal{F}\{x_e(t)\}$ and $j Im[X(\omega)] = \mathcal{F}\{x_o(t)\}$ = pure imaginary.

3. $x(t)$ real and even function $\Leftrightarrow X(\omega)$ real and even function.

4. $x(t)$ discrete/periodic $\Leftrightarrow X(\omega)$ periodic/discrete (Fourier series).
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5a. **Parseval:** $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)y^*(t)dt = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(\omega)Y^*(\omega)d\omega$; note $y(t) = x(t)$:

5b. **Energy:** $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)|^2 dt = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |X(\omega)|^2 d\omega = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |X(2\pi f)|^2 df$.

EX: Show energy of $e^{-at}u(t)$ is same in the time and frequency domains:

$$\int_0^{\infty} e^{-2at} dt = \frac{1}{2a} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| \frac{1}{j\omega+a} \right|^2 d\omega = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{a} \tan^{-1} \frac{\omega}{a} \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{a} 2\pi = \frac{1}{2a}.$$

EXAMPLES OF CONTINUOUS FOURIER TRANSFORMS

1. $\mathcal{F}\{\delta(t)\} = 1$; $\mathcal{F}\{1\} = 2\pi\delta(\omega)$ (not absolutely integrable) (duality).

$$\mathcal{F}\{3\delta(t) + \delta(t-1) + 4\delta(t-2)\} = 3 + e^{-j\omega} + 4e^{-j2\omega} = [1 + 7\cos(\omega) - j\sin(\omega)]e^{-j\omega}.$$

Note: Discrete in $t \rightarrow$ periodic (period 2π) in ω (DTFT).

2a. $\mathcal{F}\{\cos(\omega_o t)\} = \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{F}\{e^{j\omega_o t}\} + \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{F}\{e^{-j\omega_o t}\} = \pi\delta(\omega + \omega_o) + \pi\delta(\omega - \omega_o)$.

2b. $\mathcal{F}\{\sin(\omega_o t)\} = \frac{1}{2j}\mathcal{F}\{e^{j\omega_o t}\} - \frac{1}{2j}\mathcal{F}\{e^{-j\omega_o t}\} = j\pi\delta(\omega + \omega_o) - j\pi\delta(\omega - \omega_o)$.

Note: Periodic in $t \rightarrow$ discrete in ω (Fourier series–line spectrum).

3. $\mathcal{F}\{e^{-at}1(t)\} = \frac{1}{j\omega+a}$ for constant $a > 0$. Here $1(t) = 1, t > 0; 0, t < 0$.

4. $\mathcal{F}\{e^{-a|t|}\} = \frac{1}{a+j\omega} + \frac{1}{a-j\omega} = \frac{2a}{\omega^2+a^2}$ for constant $a > 0$ (reverse time).

Note: $\mathcal{F}\{\text{real and even function}\} = \text{real and even function}$.

5. $\mathcal{F}\left\{\begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } |t| < t_o \\ 0 & \text{for } |t| > t_o \end{cases}\right\} = 2t_o \frac{\sin(t_o\omega)}{t_o\omega}$; $\mathcal{F}^{-1}\left\{\begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } |\omega| < \omega_o \\ 0 & \text{for } |\omega| > \omega_o \end{cases}\right\} = \frac{\sin(\omega_o t)}{\pi t}$.

Note: In Matlab's SP toolbox, $\text{sinc}(x) = \frac{\sin(\pi x)}{\pi x}$ for $x \neq 0$ and 1 for $x = 0$.

So: $h(t) = \frac{\sin(\omega_o t)}{\pi t} = \frac{\omega_o}{\pi} \text{sinc}\left(\frac{\omega_o t}{\pi}\right)$ and $H(\omega) = 2t_o \frac{\sin(t_o\omega)}{t_o\omega} = 2t_o \text{sinc}\left(\frac{t_o\omega}{\pi}\right)$. sinc?

But: Let $f_o = \frac{\omega_o}{2\pi}$ = cutoff frequency in Hertz. Then $h(t) = (2f_o)\text{sinc}(2f_o t)$.

And: Let $f = \frac{\omega}{2\pi}$ = Fourier frequency in Hertz. Then $H(f) = (2t_o)\text{sinc}(2t_o f)$.

Note: Impulse response $h(t)$ for "brick-wall" low-pass filter is sinc function.

6. $\mathcal{F}^{-1}\left\{\begin{cases} 1, & B-a < |\omega| < B+a \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}\right\} = \frac{\sin(at)}{\pi t} 2 \cos(Bt)$. Noncausal $h(t)$.

for constants $0 < a < B$ (brick-wall band-pass filter) (modulation).

7. $\mathcal{F}\{1(t)\} = \mathcal{F}\left\{\frac{1}{2}(1 + \text{SGN}(t))\right\} = \frac{1}{j\omega} + \pi\delta(\omega)$. NOT: $\mathcal{F}\{e^{-0t}u(t)\} = \frac{1}{j\omega+0}$!

Note: $1(t)$ not absolutely integrable $\rightarrow \mathcal{F}\{x(t)\} \neq \mathcal{L}\{x(t)\}|_{s=j\omega}$.

8. $\mathcal{F}\{e^{-t^2/2}\} = \sqrt{2\pi}e^{-\omega^2/2}$ ($\mathcal{F}\{\text{Gaussian}\} = \text{Gaussian}$)

9. $\mathcal{F}\{e^{jt^2/2}\} = \sqrt{2\pi}e^{j\pi/4}e^{-j\omega^2/2}$ (chirp signal)(compare to #8).