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Fourier Series Representation of Periodic Signals

3.1 History

Reading

- * Fourier series : Representing a periodic signal by a linear combination of harmonically related basic signals
- * FFT : Cooley-Tukey (1965)
Gauss !!

3.2 The response of LTI systems to complex exponentials

- For LTI systems & Continuous-time signals

e^{st} : Complex exponential input

$$e^{st} \rightarrow H(s)e^{st}$$

$e^{j\omega t}$: input $H(j\omega)e^{j\omega t}$: output

- For Discrete-time LTI systems

$$z^n \rightarrow H(z)z^n$$

Impulse response: $h(t)$, input : e^{st} , $e^{j\omega t}$

$$\begin{aligned}y(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} h(\tau)x(t-\tau)d\tau \\&= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} h(\tau)e^{s(t-\tau)}d\tau\end{aligned}$$

$$y(t) = e^{st} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} h(\tau)e^{-s\tau}d\tau$$

$$y(t) = H(s)e^{st}$$

$$H(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} h(\tau)e^{-s\tau}d\tau$$

Laplace transform

$$\begin{aligned}y(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} h(\tau)x(t-\tau)d\tau \\&= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} h(\tau)e^{j\omega(t-\tau)}d\tau\end{aligned}$$

$$y(t) = e^{j\omega t} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} h(\tau)e^{-j\omega\tau}d\tau$$

$$y(t) = H(j\omega)e^{j\omega t}$$

$$H(j\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} h(\tau)e^{-j\omega\tau}d\tau$$

Fourier transform

- Discrete-time systems

$$x[n] = z^n$$

z-transform

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} h[k]x[n-k]$$

$$H(z) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} h[k]z^{-k}$$

$$= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} h[k]z^{n-k} = z^n \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} h[k]z^{-k}$$

$$y[n] = H(z)z^n$$

For a composite input

$$x(t) = a_1 e^{s_1 t} + a_2 e^{s_2 t} + a_3 e^{s_3 t}$$

$$y(t) = a_1 H(s_1) e^{s_1 t} + a_2 H(s_2) e^{s_2 t} + a_3 H(s_3) e^{s_3 t}$$

$$x(t) = \sum_k a_k e^{s_k t}$$

$$x[n] = \sum_k a_k z_k^n$$

$$y(t) = \sum_k a_k H(s_k) e^{s_k t}$$

$$y[n] = \sum_k a_k H(z_k) z_k^n$$

Ex) $y(t) = x(t-3)$

input: $x(t) = e^{j2t}$

$y(t) = e^{j2(t-3)} = e^{-j6} e^{j2t} \Rightarrow H(j2) = e^{-j6}$

$h(t) = ? \quad h(t) = \delta(t-3)$

$$H(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(\tau-3) e^{-s\tau} d\tau = e^{-3s}$$

$$x(t) = \cos(4t) + \cos(7t)$$

$$y(t) = \cos(4(t-3)) + \cos(7(t-3))$$

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{2} e^{j4t} + \frac{1}{2} e^{-j4t} + \frac{1}{2} e^{j7t} + \frac{1}{2} e^{-j7t}$$

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{2} H(j4) e^{j4t} + \frac{1}{2} H(-j4) e^{-j4t} + \frac{1}{2} H(j7) e^{j7t} + \frac{1}{2} H(-j7) e^{-j7t}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} e^{-j12} e^{j4t} + \frac{1}{2} e^{j12} e^{-j4t} + \frac{1}{2} e^{-j21} e^{j7t} + \frac{1}{2} e^{j21} e^{-j7t}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} e^{j4(t-3)} + \frac{1}{2} e^{-j4(t-3)} + \frac{1}{2} e^{j7(t-3)} + \frac{1}{2} e^{-j7(t-3)}$$

$$= \cos(4(t-3)) + \cos(7(t-3))$$

3.3 Fourier series representation of continuous-time periodic signals

3.3.1 Linear combinations of harmonically related complex exponentials

$$x(t) = x(t + T) \quad T : \text{period (some positive value)}$$

Fundamental period?

$$\omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T} : \text{Fundamental frequency (when } T \text{ is the fundamental period)}$$

$$x(t) = \cos \omega_0 t$$

$$x(t) = e^{j\omega_0 t}$$

- Harmonically related complex exponentials

$$\phi_k(t) = e^{jk\omega_0 t} = e^{jk(2\pi/T)t}$$

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t} = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} a_k e^{jk(2\pi/T)t} \quad \text{Fourier series representation}$$

$k = \pm 1$: first harmonic components

$k = \pm N$: N - th harmonic components

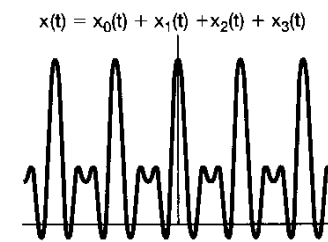
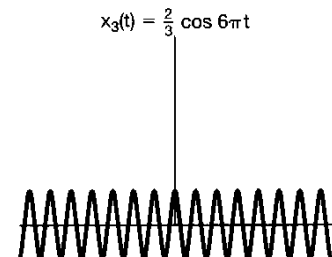
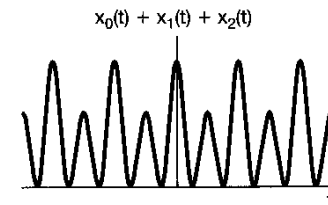
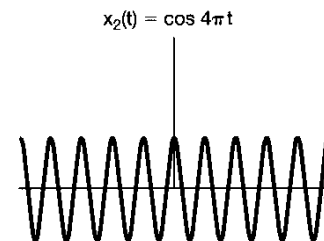
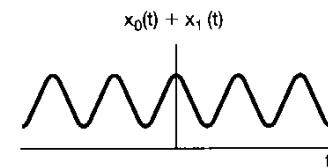
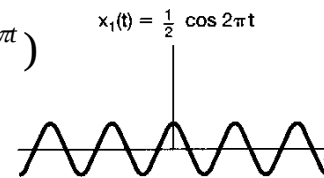
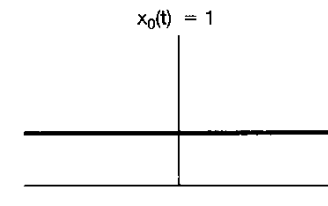
Ex. 3.2)

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-3}^{+3} a_k e^{jk2\pi t}$$

$$x(t) = 1 + \frac{1}{4}(e^{j2\pi t} + e^{-j2\pi t}) + \frac{1}{2}(e^{j4\pi t} + e^{-j4\pi t}) + \frac{1}{3}(e^{j6\pi t} + e^{-j6\pi t})$$

$$x(t) = 1 + \frac{1}{2} \cos 2\pi t + \cos 4\pi t + \frac{2}{3} \cos 6\pi t$$

alternative form for the Fourier series
of real periodic signals



$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t} = \dots + a_{-2} e^{-j2\omega_0 t} + a_{-1} e^{-j\omega_0 t} + a_0 + a_1 e^{j\omega_0 t} + a_2 e^{j2\omega_0 t} + \dots$$

For $x(t)$ real

$$x(t) = x^*(t)$$

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t}$$

$$x^*(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} a_k^* e^{-jk\omega_0 t}$$

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t} = \sum_{l=-\infty}^{-\infty} a_{-l} e^{-jl\omega_0 t} = \sum_{l=-\infty}^{+\infty} a_{-l} e^{-jl\omega_0 t} = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} a_{-k} e^{-jk\omega_0 t}$$

 $a_k^* = a_{-k}$

- Alternative Representations

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t} = a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t} + a_{-k} e^{-jk\omega_0 t}]$$

$$= a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t} + a_k^* e^{-jk\omega_0 t}]$$

$$x(t) = a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2 \operatorname{Re}\{a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t}\}$$

i) $a_k = A_k e^{j\theta_k}$

$$x(t) = a_0 + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k \cos(k\omega_0 t + \theta_k)$$

ii) $a_k = B_k + jC_k$

$$x(t) = a_0 + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [B_k \cos k\omega_0 t - C_k \sin k\omega_0 t]$$

3.3.2 Determination of the Fourier series representation of a continuous-time signal

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t}$$

Multiplying both sides by $e^{-jn\omega_0 t}$ and integrating over a period

$$\int_0^T x(t) e^{-jn\omega_0 t} dt = \int_0^T \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t} e^{-jn\omega_0 t} dt$$

$$\int_0^T x(t) e^{-jn\omega_0 t} dt = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} a_k \left[\int_0^T e^{j(k-n)\omega_0 t} dt \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{where } \int_0^T e^{j(k-n)\omega_0 t} dt &= \int_0^T \cos(k-n)\omega_0 t dt + j \int_0^T \sin(k-n)\omega_0 t dt \\ &= \begin{cases} T & k = n \\ 0 & k \neq n \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T x(t) e^{-jn\omega_0 t} dt$$

This is valid for any interval of length T

$$a_n = \frac{1}{T} \int_T x(t) e^{-jn\omega_0 t} dt$$

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t} = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} a_k e^{jk(2\pi/T)t}$$

synthesis equation

$$a_k = \frac{1}{T} \int_T x(t) e^{-jk\omega_0 t} dt = \frac{1}{T} \int_T x(t) e^{-jk(2\pi/T)t} dt$$

analysis equation

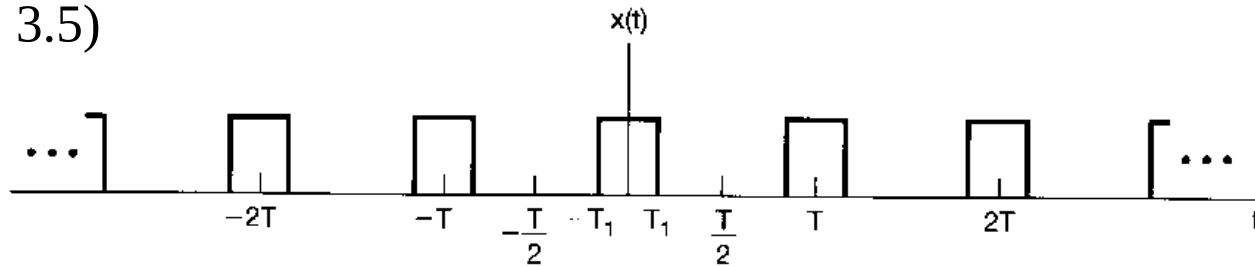
$\{a_k\}$ Fourier series coefficients of $x(t)$

or

Spectral coefficients of $x(t)$

$k = 0, \quad a_0 = \frac{1}{T} \int_T x(t) dt$ DC or constant component of $x(t)$

Ex. 3.5)



$$x(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & |t| < T_1 \\ 0, & T_1 < |t| < T/2 \end{cases}$$

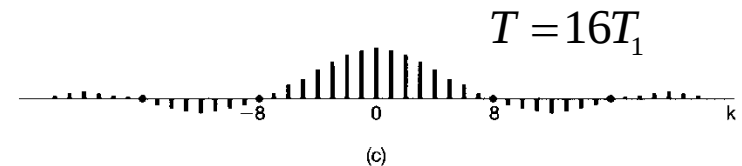
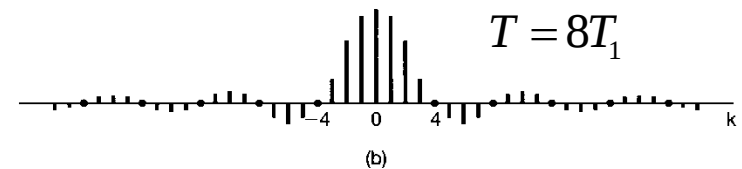
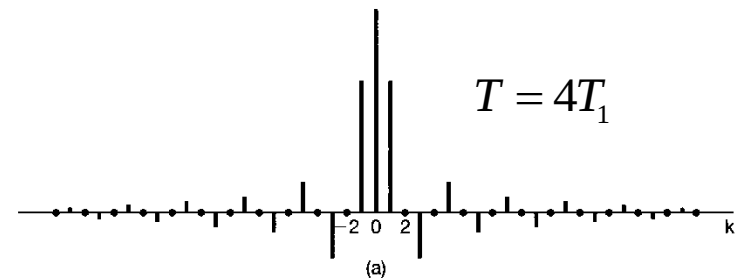
$$a_0 = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T_1}^{T_1} dt = \frac{2T_1}{T}$$

$$a_k = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T_1}^{T_1} e^{-jk\omega_0 t} dt = -\frac{1}{jk\omega_0 T} e^{-jk\omega_0 t} \Big|_{-T_1}^{T_1}$$

$$= \frac{2}{k\omega_0 T} \left[\frac{e^{jk\omega_0 T_1} - e^{-jk\omega_0 T_1}}{2j} \right]$$

$$\therefore a_k = \frac{2 \sin(k\omega_0 T_1)}{k\omega_0 T} = \frac{\sin(k\omega_0 T_1)}{k\pi}, k \neq 0$$

Plots of Ta_k



3.4 Convergence of the Fourier series

$$x_N(t) = \sum_{k=-N}^N a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t}$$

$$e_N(t) = x(t) - x_N(t) = x(t) - \sum_{k=-N}^N a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t} \quad \text{Truncated approximation up to } N$$

$$E_N = \int_T |e_N(t)|^2 dt$$

Determination of coefficients : Minimizing the energy of approximation error

solution  $a_k = \frac{1}{T} \int_T x(t) e^{-jk\omega_0 t} dt \quad (\text{Prob. 3.66})$

 identical to the expression used to determine the Fourier series coefficients

Condition for the guarantee of Fourier series representation

For square integrable signal

$$\int_T |x(t)|^2 dt < \infty,$$

the energy of the approximation error converges to zero as the order increases.

$$e(t) = x(t) - \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t} \implies \int_T |e(t)|^2 dt = 0$$

This does not imply that

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t} \quad \text{for all } t.$$

Convergence in Mean Square Error (MSE) Sense!!

Alternative condition for the guarantee of Fourier series representation

- Dirichlet condition

1. Over any period, $x(t)$ must be *absolutely integrable*.

$$\int_T |x(t)| dt < \infty$$

Example of the function that is not absolutely integrable

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{t}, \quad 0 < t \leq 1$$

2. Finite number of maxima and minima
- $x(t)$ is of bounded variation.

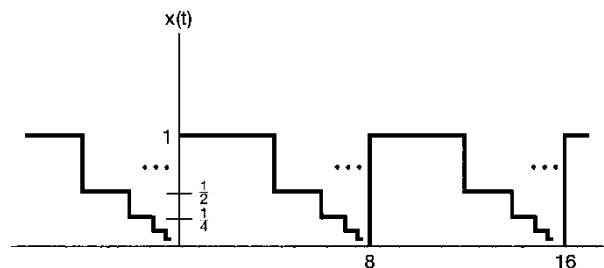
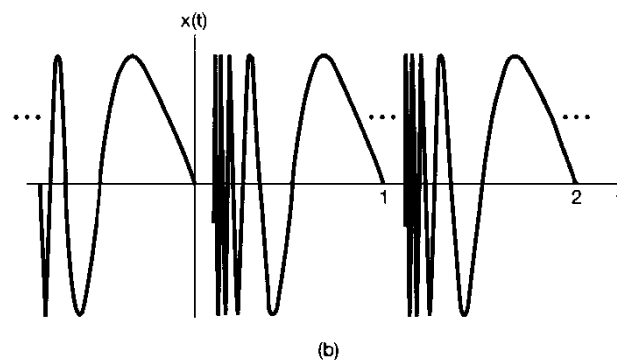
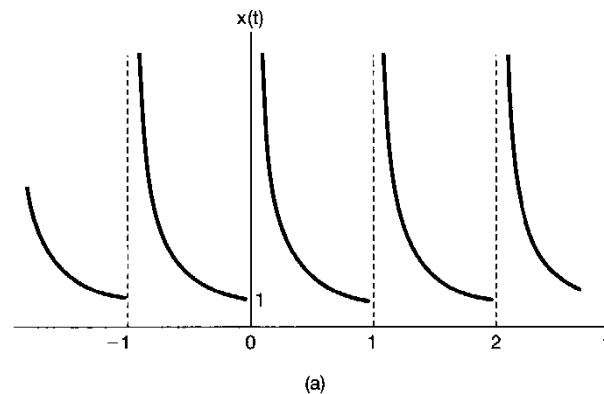
$$x(t) = \sin(2\pi / t), \quad 0 < t \leq 1$$

3. Finite number of discontinuities

Examples that do not meet Dirichlet conditions

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{t}, \quad 0 < t \leq 1$$

$$x(t) = \sin(2\pi/t), \quad 0 < t \leq 1$$



$$x_N(t) = \sum_{k=-N}^N a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t}$$

Mismatches in discontinuous points :
Gibbs Phenomena

