

① Discrete Fourier Transform - DFT

Algebra of the DFT in one D.

f_j is periodic with period n if $f_{j+cn} = f_j$

The set of periodic discrete functions in n -dimensional n dimensions.

\mathbb{R}^n or \mathbb{C}^n

$$\text{inner product } \langle f, g \rangle_{\ell^2} = \frac{1}{n} \sum \bar{f}_j g_j$$

Discrete Fourier modes = complex exponentials

$$u_\alpha \in \mathbb{C}^n \quad u_{\alpha,j} = e^{2\pi i \alpha j / n}$$

Lemma: The vectors u_α for $\alpha = 0, \dots, n-1$ are an orthonormal basis of \mathbb{C}^n .

Pf: We have n vectors. They are

~~an orthonormal~~ a basis if they are orthonormal

$$\langle u_\alpha, u_\beta \rangle = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \alpha = \beta \\ 0 & \text{if } \alpha \neq \beta \end{cases}$$

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$$\langle u_\alpha, u_\beta \rangle_{\ell^2} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \exp\left(\frac{2\pi i (\beta - \alpha) j}{n}\right)$$

if $\alpha = \beta$, this is $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} 1 = 1$

if $\alpha \neq \beta$ and $\beta - \alpha = \gamma$ with $1 \leq \gamma \leq n-1$

$$\sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \exp\left(\frac{2\pi i \gamma j}{n}\right) = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} z^j = \frac{1-z^n}{1-z}$$

with $z = \exp\left(\frac{2\pi i \gamma}{n}\right)$ and $z^n = 1$

but $z \neq 1$ (because $\gamma > 0$ and $\gamma < n$)

$$\text{so } \sum z^j = \frac{z - z^n}{z - 1} = 0.$$

Fourier coefficients $\hat{f}_\alpha = \langle u_\alpha, f \rangle_{\ell^2}$
 $= \frac{1}{n} \sum e^{\frac{2\pi i \alpha j}{n}} \cdot f_j$

Fourier representation $f = \sum \hat{f}_\alpha u_\alpha$

$$f_j = \sum_{\alpha=0}^{n-1} \hat{f}_\alpha e^{2\pi i \alpha j / n}$$

Fourier inversion formula

$$\langle f, f \rangle_{\ell^2} = \sum_{\alpha=0}^{n-1} |\hat{f}_\alpha|^2 \quad \text{Plancherel thm.}$$

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Multi-Dimensional

$f_{j,k}$ period n in the x -direction
period m in the y -direction

$$f_{j+n,k} = f_{j,k}, \quad f_{j,k+m} = f_{j,k}$$

Fourier basis

$$u_{\alpha\beta j,k} = \exp\left(\frac{2\pi i \alpha j}{n}\right) \exp\left(\frac{2\pi i \beta k}{m}\right)$$

$$= \exp\left(2\pi i \left(\frac{\alpha j}{n} + \frac{\beta k}{m}\right)\right)$$

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \frac{1}{nm} \sum_{j,k} f_{j,k} g_{j,k} \text{ etc.}$$

Aliasing as a function of α ,

$$\hat{f}_\alpha = \frac{1}{n} \sum e^{\frac{2\pi i \alpha j}{n}} f_j \quad \leftarrow$$

is a periodic fn of α with period n

$$\hat{f}_{\alpha+n} = \frac{1}{n} \sum e^{\frac{2\pi i (\alpha+n) j}{n}} f_j =$$

alias = different name for the same thing

So any n consecutive u_α are an orthonormal basis

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For example, $n = 2m + 1 = \text{odd}$

$n = -m, \dots, 0, \dots, m = \text{Symmetric about zero.}$

Relation to Fourier series.

Suppose $f(x+1) = f(x)$ - periodic period 1.

Fourier modes $u_\alpha(x) = e^{2\pi i \alpha x}$

$$\hat{f}_\alpha = \langle u_\alpha, f \rangle = \int_0^1 e^{-2\pi i \alpha x} f(x) dx$$

$$\langle u_\alpha, u_\beta \rangle = \delta_{\alpha\beta} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \alpha \neq \beta \\ 1 & \text{if } \alpha = \beta \end{cases}$$

for any (integers) α, β

$$f(x) = \sum_{\alpha=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}_\alpha u_\alpha$$

$$f(x) = \sum_{\alpha=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}_\alpha e^{2\pi i \alpha x}$$

Fourier inversion formula

$$\int_0^1 |f(x)|^2 dx = \sum_{\alpha=-\infty}^{\infty} |\hat{f}_\alpha|^2$$

Parseval formula

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Smoothness and Decay: The Fourier representation is efficient for smooth functions.

Efficient: a cheap approximation - a small number of terms - can be very accurate.

Reason: rapid decay of Fourier coefficients

Two versions: smooth + analytic

(i) smooth: $|\partial_x^p f(x)| \leq A_p$ all x

(ii) analytic: $|f(x+iy)| \leq A$ all $|y| \leq L$

(i) ~~for~~ smooth: first observe that

$$\begin{aligned} |\hat{f}_x| &= \left| \int_0^1 e^{-2\pi i x x} f(x) dx \right| \\ &\leq \int_0^1 |f(x)| dx \leq A_0 \end{aligned}$$

A bounded function has bounded Fourier coefficients. To continue, we

$$\partial_x e^{-2\pi i x x} = -2\pi i x e^{-2\pi i x x}$$

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$$\text{so } \frac{-1}{2\pi i \alpha} \partial_x e^{-2\pi i \alpha x} = e^{-2\pi i \alpha x}$$

and integrate by parts, using periodic boundary conditions:

$$\hat{f}_\alpha = -\frac{1}{2\pi i \alpha} \int (\partial_x e^{-2\pi i \alpha x}) f(x) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i \alpha} \int e^{-2\pi i \alpha x} (\partial_x f(x)) dx$$

so

$$|\hat{f}_\alpha| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi |\alpha|} A_1$$

confirming:

$$\text{② } |\hat{f}_\alpha| \leq \frac{1}{(2\pi)^p} \cdot A_p \cdot \frac{1}{|\alpha|^p}$$

slightly simpler form: the function e^{ikx}

is a complex exponential with wave number k .

$e^{2\pi i k x}$ has wave number $k_\alpha = 2\pi \alpha$.

$$\text{③ } \text{or } |\hat{f}_\alpha| \leq \frac{1}{|k_\alpha|^p} A_p.$$

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Bottom line: If f is a smooth function, the Fourier coefficients decay faster than any power of α .

(ii) analytic: move the contour,

$$\hat{f}_\alpha = \int_{-L}^L e^{-2\pi i \alpha x} f(x) dx = \int_{-L-iy}^{L-iy} e^{-2\pi i \alpha (x+iy)} f(x+iy) dx$$

If $\alpha > 0$, take $y = -L$ & get

$$|\hat{f}_\alpha| \leq e^{-2\pi \alpha L} \cdot A = e^{-|k_\alpha| L} A$$

$$\textcircled{*} \quad |f_\alpha| \leq e^{-2\pi |k_\alpha| L} A = e^{-|k_\alpha| L} A$$

The Fourier coefficients of an analytic decay exponentially with α .

Efficient representation lemma

$$\text{Lemma} \quad \sum_{\alpha > m} \frac{1}{\alpha^p} \approx \int_m^\infty \frac{1}{x^p} dx = \frac{1}{p-1} m^{p-1} \quad \text{if } p > 1$$

$$\left| f(x) - \sum_{|\alpha| \leq m} \hat{f}_\alpha e^{2\pi i \alpha x} \right| \leq \sum_{|\alpha| > m} |\hat{f}_\alpha| e^{2\pi |\alpha| L}$$

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$$|f(x) - f^m(x)| \leq \frac{C_p}{m^{p-1}} \quad \text{for any } p$$

$$\text{Similarly } \sum_{a=m}^{\infty} e^{-2\pi a L} \leq \frac{e^{-2\pi L m}}{1 - e^{-2\pi L}}$$

$$\text{so } |f(x) - f^m(x)| \leq C e^{-2\pi L m}$$

Spectral accuracy

error in m -term (or $2m+1$ -term) approx

$\leq \begin{cases} \text{any power of } m \text{ - smooth fn} \\ \text{an exponential in } m \text{ - analytic.} \end{cases}$

Discrete + continuous Fourier representation

$f(x)$ = smooth fn

f^n = sampled f (not Fourier approx)

$$f_j^n = f\left(\frac{j}{n}\right) = f(x_j) \quad x_j = j \cdot h, \quad h = \frac{1}{n}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{f}_\alpha^n &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_j e^{-2\pi i \alpha \frac{j}{n}} f_j^n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_j e^{-2\pi i \alpha x_j} f(x_j) \\ &\approx \int e^{-2\pi i \alpha x} f(x) dx = \hat{f}_\alpha \end{aligned}$$

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Relationship between \hat{f}_x^n - discrete Fourier transform
and \hat{f}_x - continuous Fourier integral:

Aliasing formula

$$f_j = f(x_j) = \sum_{\alpha=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}_\alpha e^{2\pi i \alpha x_j}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{f}_{\alpha\beta}^n &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{\alpha=-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} e^{-2\pi i (\beta - \alpha) j/n} \right) \hat{f}_\beta \\ &= \begin{cases} 1 & \beta = \alpha + kn \text{ some int. } k \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\hat{f}_\alpha^n = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}_{\alpha+kn}$$

corollary:
$$\hat{f}_\alpha^n - \hat{f}_\alpha = \sum_{k \neq 0} \hat{f}_{\alpha+kn}$$

if $|\alpha| \leq m$, get

$$|\hat{f}_\alpha^n - \hat{f}_\alpha| < \begin{cases} C_p m^{-p} & \text{any } p \\ A e^{-cm} \end{cases}$$

DFT \cong continuous Fourier series for
smooth functions

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corollary $|\hat{f}_\alpha^n| \leq \begin{cases} C_P |\alpha|^{-P} \\ C_1 e^{-C_2 |\alpha|} \end{cases}$

rapid decay of DFT coefficients

corollary: take $\alpha = 0$

$$\left| \frac{1}{h} \sum_{0 \leq x_j < 1} f(x_j) - \int_0^1 f(x) dx \right| \leq \begin{cases} C_P h^P \\ C_1 e^{-C_2/h} \end{cases}$$

For smooth functions, uniform spacing
trapezoid rule numerical integration is
spectrally accurate.

corollary: Fourier interpolation / trigonometric interp.

given $f = (f_0, \dots, f_{n-1})$ interpolate

$$\tilde{f}(x) = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq m} \hat{f}_\alpha e^{2\pi i \alpha x}$$

interpolation condition: $\tilde{f}(x_j) = f_j$

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Spectral accuracy. if $f_j = f(x_j)$

$$\text{For } |\tilde{f}(x) - f(x)| \leq \begin{cases} C_m m^{-p} \\ C_1 e^{-C_2 m} \end{cases}$$

General rule If the solution to a differential equation is smooth and periodic, you get spectral accuracy using a discrete Fourier representation.
Spectral methods.

~~Other boundary conditions~~

~~Dirichlet: $f(0) = 0, f(1) = 0$~~

~~1st extend f to be odd in $(-1, 0)$~~

~~for $0 \leq x \leq 1$ set $f(-x) = -f(x)$~~

~~2nd extend f to all x to be periodic, period 2~~

~~$f(x+2n) = f(x)$ for $-1 \leq x \leq 1$~~

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Application Fourier modes / discrete and continuous / are eigen functions / eigenvectors of important operators.

Eigen functions depend on boundary conditions

Trick: enforce boundary conditions using symmetry, Dirichlet \Leftrightarrow odd, Neumann \Leftrightarrow even

Dirichlet suppose $f(0) = 0, f(L) = 0$.

Step 1) define $f(-x) = -f(x)$ for $0 \leq x \leq L$

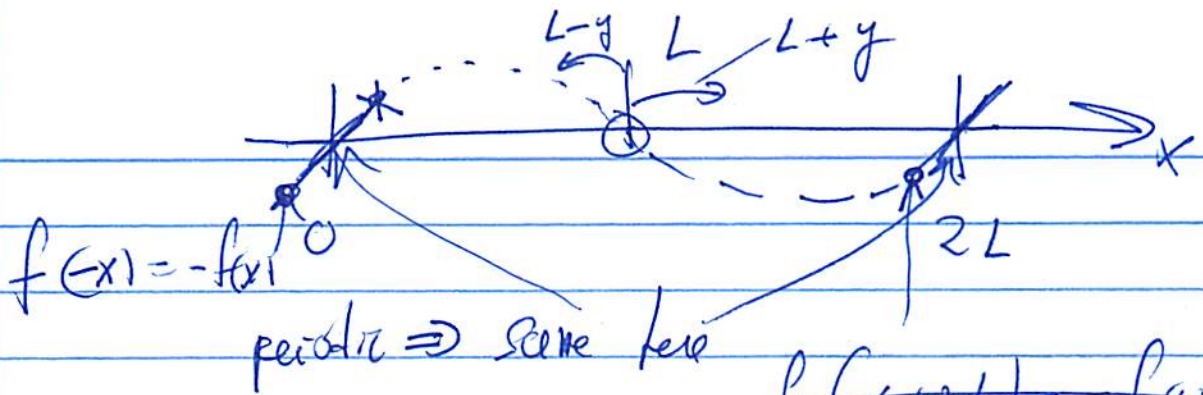
Step 2) define $f(x + 2Ln) = f(x)$ for
 $-L \leq x \leq L, n$ an integer

Result: f is periodic period $2L$ and odd.

Verification if $f(x)$ is continuous, period $2L$ and odd, then $f(0) = 0, f(L) = 0$.

Pf: $f(0) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} f(\epsilon) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} -f(\epsilon) = 0$.

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~~$f(x)$~~

$$f(x+2L) = f(x)$$

$$f(-x+2L) = f(x) = -f(-x)$$

set $x = L-y$, get

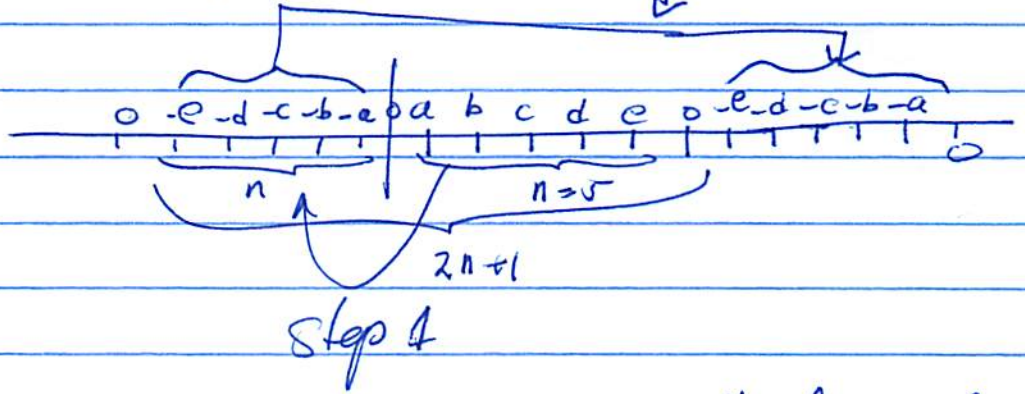
$$f(-L+y+2L) = -f(L-y)$$

$$f(L+y) = -f(L-y) \Rightarrow f(L) = 0 \text{ too}$$

Discrete $f_0 = 0, f_{n+1} = 0$

step (1) for $j=1, \dots, n$, set $f_{-j} = -f_j$

step (2) set $f_{j+k \cdot (2n+1)}$ step 2



get f periodic period $2n+1$ with $f_{-j} = -f_j$
 and $f_{n+1} = 0$

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Fourier series period L - choice of normalization.

- normalization by orthonormal eigenfunctions

$$u_\alpha(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L}} e^{2\pi i \alpha x / L}$$

$$\langle u_\alpha, u_\beta \rangle = \int_0^L \overline{u_\alpha(x)} u_\beta(x) dx$$

$$= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \alpha = \beta \\ 0 & \text{if } \alpha \neq \beta. \end{cases}$$

~~Normalization by representation/inversion form~~

$$f = \sum f_\alpha u_\alpha$$

$$\langle u_\beta, f \rangle = \sum \hat{f}_\alpha \langle u_\beta, u_\alpha \rangle$$

$$= \hat{f}_\beta$$

$$\hat{f}_\beta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L}} \int_0^L e^{-2\pi i \beta x / L} f(x) dx$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L}} \sum \hat{f}_\alpha e^{2\pi i \alpha x / L}$$

- normalization by representation/inversion formula

$$f(x) = \sum_\alpha \hat{f}_\alpha e^{2\pi i \alpha x / L}$$

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$$\int_0^L e^{-2\pi i \beta x/L} f(x) dx = \sum_{\alpha} \hat{f}_{\alpha} \int_0^L e^{2\pi i (\alpha - \beta) x/L} dx$$
$$= \hat{f}_{\alpha} \begin{cases} L & \text{if } \alpha = \beta \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$$\hat{f}_{\alpha} = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L e^{-2\pi i \alpha x/L} f(x) dx.$$

In particular, $f(x+2) = f(x)$ has

$$f(x) = \sum_{\alpha} \hat{f}_{\alpha} e^{\pi i \alpha x}$$

with

$$\hat{f}_{\alpha} = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 e^{-i\pi \alpha x} f(x) dx$$

If f is odd then

$$\hat{f}_{\alpha} = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 (e^{-i\pi \alpha x} - e^{i\pi \alpha x}) f(x) dx$$

$$= \frac{-2i}{-2i} \int_0^1 \frac{e^{i\pi \alpha x} - e^{-i\pi \alpha x}}{2i} f(x) dx$$

$$\hat{f}_{\alpha} = -i \int_0^1 \sin(\pi \alpha x) f(x) dx$$

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nbk $\hat{f}_{-\alpha} = -\hat{f}_{\alpha}$, so ~~$\hat{f}_0 = 0$~~ , so

$$f(x) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^{\infty} \hat{f}_{\alpha} (e^{i\pi\alpha x} - e^{-i\pi\alpha x})$$
$$= 2i \sum_{\alpha=1}^{\infty} \hat{f}_{\alpha} \sin(\pi\alpha x)$$

Fourier sine series:

$$\tilde{f}_{\alpha} = \int_0^1 \sin(\pi\alpha x) f(x) dx$$

$$\hat{f}_{\alpha} = -i \tilde{f}_{\alpha}$$

$$f(x) = 2 \sum_{\alpha=1}^{\infty} \tilde{f}_{\alpha} \sin(\pi\alpha x)$$

(check: $f(x) = \frac{\sin(\pi x)}{\sin(\pi x)} \Rightarrow \tilde{f}_1 = \int_0^1 \sin^2(\pi x) dx = \frac{1}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \sum_{\alpha} \tilde{f}_{\alpha} \sin(\pi\alpha x) = \sin(\pi x) \checkmark$$