Fourier Series and Fourier Transform

- Complex exponentials
- Complex version of Fourier Series
- Time Shifting, Magnitude, Phase
- Fourier Transform

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The Complex Exponential as a Vector



- \cdot Consider I and Q as the *real* and *imaginary* parts
 - As explained later, in communication systems, *I* stands for *in-phase* and *Q* for *quadrature*
- As t increases, vector rotates counterclockwise

- We consider e^{jwt} to have positive frequency M.H. Perrott © 2007 Fourier Series and Fourier Transform, Slide 2

The Concept of Negative Frequency Note: $e^{-jwt} = \cos(wt) - j\sin(wt)$ $cos(\omega t)$ $-\omega t$ -sin(wt)

- As t increases, vector rotates *clockwise*
 - We consider e^{-jwt} to have *negative* frequency
- Note: A-jB is the complex conjugate of A+jB
 - So, e-jwt is the complex conjugate of ejwt

Add Positive and Negative Frequencies



- As t increases, the addition of positive and negative frequency complex exponentials leads to a cosine wave
 - Note that the resulting cosine wave is purely *real* and considered to have a *positive* frequency

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Subtract Positive and Negative Frequencies



- As t increases, the subtraction of positive and negative frequency complex exponentials leads to a sine wave
 - Note that the resulting sine wave is purely *imaginary* and considered to have a *positive* frequency

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 The Fourier Series is compactly defined using complex exponentials

$$x(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{X}_n e^{jnw_o t}$$

$$\hat{X}_n = \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_o}^{t_o + T} x(t) e^{-jnw_o t} dt$$

• Where:

$$w_o = \frac{2\pi}{T} \qquad \qquad \hat{X}_n = A_n + jB_n$$

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From The Previous Lecture

 The Fourier Series can also be written in terms of cosines and sines:

$$x(t) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos(nw_o t) + b_n \sin(nw_o t)$$

where for n > 0:

$$a_{n} = \frac{2}{T} \int_{t_{o}}^{t_{o}+T} x(t) \cos(nw_{o}t) dt, \ b_{n} = \frac{2}{T} \int_{t_{o}}^{t_{o}+T} x(t) \sin(nw_{o}t) dt$$

and where : $w_{o} = \frac{2\pi}{T}, \quad a_{0} = \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_{o}}^{t_{o}+T} x(t) dt$

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Compare Fourier Definitions

• Let us assume the following: $\hat{X}_n = A_n + jB_n$

 $A_n = A_{-n} \qquad B_n = -B_{-n} \qquad B_0 = 0$

• Then:



$$= A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n (e^{jnw_o t} + e^{-jnw_o t}) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} jB_n (e^{jnw_o t} - e^{-jnw_o t})$$

$$= A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2A_n \cos(nw_o t) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} -2B_n \sin(nw_o t)$$

• So: $A_0 = a_0$ $2A_n = a_n$ $-2B_n = b_n$

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Graphical View of Fourier Series

- As in previous lecture, we can plot Fourier Series coefficients
 - Note that we now have *positive* and *negative* values of *n*
- Square wave example:

$$\hat{X}_n = A_n + jB_n = -j\frac{A}{n\pi}(1 - \cos(n\pi)) = \begin{cases} 0 & (\text{even } n) \\ j\frac{-2A}{n\pi} & (\text{odd } n) \end{cases}$$



Indexing in Frequency

• A given Fourier coefficient, \hat{X}_n , represents the weight corresponding to frequency \textit{nw}_o

$$x(t) = \sum \hat{X}_n e^{jnw_o t}$$

• It is often convenient to index in *frequency (Hz)*





• Consider shifting a signal x(t) in time by T_d

$$\hat{Y}_n = \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_o}^{t_o + T} x(t - T_d) e^{-jnw_o t} dt$$

• Define: $\tau = t - T_d \Rightarrow d\tau = dt$

• Which leads to: $\hat{Y}_n = \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_o+T_d}^{t_o+T+T_d} x(\tau) e^{-jnw_o(\tau+T_d)} d\tau$ $= e^{-jnw_oT_d} \left(\frac{1}{T} \int_{t_o}^{t_o+T} x(\tau) e^{-jnw_o\tau} d\tau \right) = \left[e^{-jnw_oT_d} \hat{X}_n \right]$

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Square Wave Example of Time Shift



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Magnitude and Phase

- We often want to ignore the issue of time (phase) shifts when using Fourier analysis
 - Unfortunately, we have seen that the A_n and B_n coefficients are very sensitive to time (phase) shifts
- The Fourier coefficients can also be represented in term of magnitude and phase

$$\hat{X}_n = A_n + jB_n = |\hat{X}_n|e^{j\Phi_n}$$

• where:

$$|\hat{X}_n| = \sqrt{A_n^2 + B_n^2}$$

$$\Phi_n = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{B_n}{A_n} \right)$$



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Does Time Shifting Impact Magnitude?

Consider a waveform x(t) along with its Fourier
 Series

$$x(t) \Leftrightarrow \hat{X}_n$$

 We showed that the impact of time (phase) shifting x(t) on its Fourier Series is

$$x(t-T_d) \Leftrightarrow e^{-jnw_o T_d} \hat{X}_n$$

 We therefore see that time (phase) shifting does not impact the Fourier Series magnitude

$$\left| e^{-jnw_o T_d} \hat{X}_n \right| = \left| e^{-jnw_o T_d} \right| \left| \hat{X}_n \right| = \left| \hat{X}_n \right|$$

Parseval's Theorem

- The squared magnitude of the Fourier Series coefficients indicates *power* at corresponding frequencies $t_1 = ct_0 + T$
 - *Power* is defined as:

$$\frac{1}{T} \int_{t_o}^{t_o+T} x^2(t) dt$$

$$\frac{1}{T} \int_{t_o}^{t_o+T} x^2(t) dt = \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_o}^{t_o+T} x(t) \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{X}_n e^{jnw_o t} dt$$
Note:
$$= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{X}_n \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_o}^{t_o+T} x(t) e^{jnw_o t} dt$$
* means

* means $n = -\infty$ \hat{v}_{o} complex $\sum_{n = -\infty}^{\infty} \hat{X}_n \hat{X}_n^* = \left| \sum_{n = -\infty}^{\infty} \left| \hat{X}_n \right|^2 \right|$

The Fourier Transform

• The Fourier Series deals with *periodic* signals

$$x(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{X}_n e^{jnw_o t}$$
$$\hat{X}_n = \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_o}^{t_o + T} x(t) e^{-jnw_o t} dt$$

• The Fourier Transform deals with *non-periodic* signals

$$x(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(f) e^{j2\pi ft} df$$

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- Note that x(t) is not periodic
- Calculation of Fourier Transform:

$$\begin{aligned} X(f) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-j2\pi f t} dt \\ &= \int_{-T}^{T} A e^{-j2\pi f t} dt = \left. \frac{A}{-j2\pi f} e^{-j2\pi f t} \right|_{-T}^{T} \\ &= \left[\frac{A \sin(2\pi f T)}{\pi f} \right] \end{aligned}$$



Summary

- The Fourier Series can be formulated in terms of complex exponentials
 - Allows convenient mathematical form
 - Introduces concept of positive and negative frequencies
- The Fourier Series coefficients can be expressed in terms of magnitude and phase
 - Magnitude is independent of time (phase) shifts of x(t)
 - The magnitude squared of a given Fourier Series coefficient corresponds to the power present at the corresponding frequency
- The Fourier Transform was briefly introduced
 - Will be used to explain modulation and filtering in the upcoming lectures
 - We will provide an intuitive comparison of Fourier Series and Fourier Transform in a few weeks ...