

# SKILL PILL: FOURIER TRANSFORMS

## 1] Creating square signal

Add  $\sin((2k+1)x)/(2k+1)$ ,  $k=0,1,\dots$

keep track of frequency, amplitude.

→ it is another way to keep track of fct

→ historically how Fourier Tr. came about

## 2] Properties of FT

$$\hat{f}(\xi) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-i2\pi x\xi} f(x) dx \quad \left( \text{if } \int |f(x)| dx < \infty \right) \rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{ix\xi} f(x) dx$$

$$f(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{2\pi i x\xi} \hat{f}(\xi) d\xi \rightarrow \text{inverse}$$

Other notations:  $\mathcal{F}$

PROPERTIES:

→ LINEARITY:  $h(x) = af(x) + bg(x) \rightarrow \hat{h}(\xi) = a\hat{f}(\xi) + b\hat{g}(\xi)$

→ Prove it

→ Translation:  $h(x) = f(x-x_0) \rightarrow \hat{h}(\xi) = e^{-i2\pi x_0\xi} \hat{f}(\xi)$

→ frequency shifting is the same

→ Scaling:  $h(x) = f(ax) \rightarrow \hat{h}(\xi) = \frac{1}{|a|} \hat{f}(\xi/a)$  ( $a \neq 0$ )

→ They prove it

$$\hat{h}(\xi) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{i2\pi x\xi} f(ax) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{i2\pi x'\xi/a} f(x') \frac{dx'}{a} = \dots = \frac{1}{|a|} \hat{f}(\xi/a)$$

→  $a=-1$  time reversal:  $h(x) = f(-x) \rightarrow \hat{h}(\xi) = \hat{f}(-\xi)$

→ Conjugation:  $h(x) = \overline{f(x)} \rightarrow \hat{h}(\xi) = \overline{\hat{f}(-\xi)}$

→ Integral at  $\xi=0$ :  $\hat{f}(0) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(x) dx$

→ Differentiation:  $h(x) = f'(x) \rightarrow \hat{h}(\xi) = (2\pi i\xi) \hat{f}(\xi)$

$h(x) = f^{(n)}(x) \rightarrow \hat{h}(\xi) = (2\pi i\xi)^n \hat{f}(\xi)$

→ convolution:  $(f * g)(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(y) g(x-y) dy$   
 $h(x) = (f * g)(x) \rightarrow \hat{h}(\xi) = \hat{f}(\xi) \hat{g}(\xi)$

link to cross-correlat°

→  $\mathcal{F}^{-1} \mathcal{F} = \mathbb{I}$   $\mathcal{F} \mathcal{F}^{-1} = \mathbb{I}$   $\mathcal{F}^2 = \mathcal{P}$   $\mathcal{F}^3 = \mathcal{F}^{-1}$   $\mathcal{F}^4 = \mathbb{I}$

4] Laplace Transform:  $F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt$

$s$  complex

## 5] FOURIER SERIES

•  $\lambda(x)$  function on  $[x_0, x_0+P]$

$$\lambda(x) = \frac{A_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sin\left(\frac{2\pi nx}{P} + \phi_n\right)$$

$$= \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos\left(\frac{2\pi nx}{P}\right) + b_n \sin\left(\frac{2\pi nx}{P}\right)$$

$$= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} C_n e^{i\frac{2\pi nx}{P}}$$

$$\begin{cases} a_n = \frac{2}{P} \int_{x_0}^{x_0+P} \lambda(x) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi nx}{P}\right) dx \\ b_n = \frac{2}{P} \int_{x_0}^{x_0+P} \lambda(x) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi nx}{P}\right) dx \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} C_n = \frac{1}{P} \int_{x_0}^{x_0+P} \lambda(x) e^{-i\frac{2\pi nx}{P}} dx \end{cases}$$

•  $\infty \rightarrow N$  approximation

• EX: square function

$$\lambda(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \leq \pi \\ -1 & x > \pi \end{cases} \quad \text{on } [0, 2\pi]$$

$$a_n = \frac{2}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \lambda(x) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi nx}{2\pi}\right) dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \int_0^{\pi} \cos(nx) dx - \int_{\pi}^{2\pi} \cos(nx) dx \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \left[ \frac{\sin nx}{n} \right]_0^{\pi} - \left[ \frac{\sin nx}{n} \right]_{\pi}^{2\pi} \right) = \frac{1}{\pi} (0 - 0) = 0$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \left[ -\frac{\cos nx}{n} \right]_0^{\pi} - \left[ -\frac{\cos nx}{n} \right]_{\pi}^{2\pi} \right) = \frac{1}{n\pi} (-\cos n\pi + 1 + 1 - \cos n\pi)$$

$$= \frac{2}{n\pi} (2 - \cos n\pi) \xrightarrow[\text{mod } 2]{\text{even}} 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{\pi} \sin((2k+1)x)$$

## 6] Uncertainty principle

Assume  $\psi(x) : \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi(x)|^2 dx = 1 \rightarrow \text{wavefunc}^\circ$



7 Diff eq.

Solve heat equation  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$   $x \in (-\infty, \infty)$ ,  $t \geq 0$   
 $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |u(x,t)|^2 dx < \infty \quad \forall t$

• Initially  $u(x,0) = f(x)$

• Fourier in  $x$  dir:  ~~$\widehat{\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}}(k,t) = \frac{\partial \widehat{u}}{\partial t}(k,t)$~~

$$\mathcal{F}(\partial_t u(x,t)) = \partial_t \mathcal{F}(u)(k,t)$$

$$\mathcal{F}(\partial_x u(x,t)) = ik \mathcal{F}(u)(k,t)$$

$$\mathcal{F}(\partial_{xx} u(x,t)) = -k^2 \mathcal{F}(u)(k,t)$$

$$\rightarrow \partial_t \mathcal{F}(u) = -k^2 \mathcal{F}(u)$$

$$\text{w/ } \mathcal{F}(u)(k,0) = \mathcal{F}(f)$$

$\rightarrow$  ODE

$$\rightarrow \mathcal{F}(u)(k,t) = e^{-k^2 t} \mathcal{F}(u)(k,0) = e^{-k^2 t} \mathcal{F}(f)(k)$$

$\rightarrow$  const'  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ :

$$\rightarrow \mathcal{F}(g) = e^{-k^2 t}$$

$$\mathcal{F}(u)(k,t) = \mathcal{F}(g)(k) \mathcal{F}(f)(k)$$

$$\rightarrow g(x,t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi t}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-k^2 t} e^{-ikx} dk = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi t}} e^{-x^2/4t}$$

$$\Rightarrow u(x,t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x-\xi) f(\xi) d\xi$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi t}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-(x-\xi)^2/4t} f(\xi) d\xi$$

$$f(x) = f(x) \rightarrow u(x,t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi t}} e^{-x^2/4t}$$