

Fourier Series Examples, and Properties

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We know so far;

SYNTHESIS EQUATION:

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

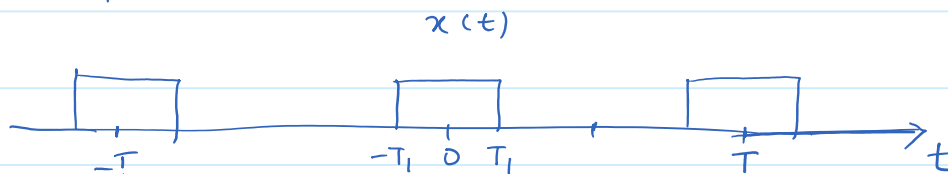
ANALYSIS EQUATION:

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

* Note here that the integral in the analysis equation is over one period, that is, we can integrate over any one period time interval.

EXAMPLES:

- Example 1: SQUARE WAVE



one period description of $x(t)$:

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

We can find FOURIER SERIES COEFFICIENTS AS

$$\begin{aligned}a_k &= \frac{1}{T} \int_T x(t) e^{-j k \omega_0 t} dt \\&= \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} x(t) e^{-j k \omega_0 t} dt \\&= \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T_1}^{T_1} e^{-j k \omega_0 t} dt \\&= \frac{1}{T \omega_0 k} \frac{e^{j k \omega_0 T_1} - e^{-j k \omega_0 T_1}}{j} \\&= \frac{1}{2 \pi k} 2 \sin(k \omega_0 T_1) \\&= \frac{\sin(k \omega_0 T_1)}{k \pi} \quad \text{--- (1)}\end{aligned}$$

To find a_0 ; we can either use (1)
or determine, by definition,

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} x(t) dt = \boxed{\frac{2T_1}{T}}$$

Using (1);

$$a_0 = \frac{0}{0}$$

Apply L'Hopital's Rule $\Rightarrow a_0 = \frac{2T_1}{T}$

- To actually see how complex exponentials

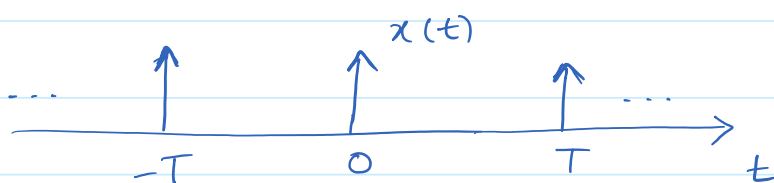
combine to form a square wave, see square-wave-FS.pdf, where

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

for $T_1 = \frac{T}{8}$, a_k given in ① and different values of N .

Example 2: IMPULSE TRAIN

$$x(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - nT)$$



$$\begin{aligned} a_k &= \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} x(t) e^{-jk\omega_0 t} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} \delta(t) e^{-jk\omega_0 t} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{T} e^{-jk\omega_0(0)} = \frac{1}{T} \end{aligned}$$

Interpretation: All complex exponentials $\left\{ e^{jk\omega_0 t} \right\}_{k=-\infty}^{\infty}$ contribute equally to form an impulse train.

• PROPERTIES OF FOURIER SERIES.

Motivation :-

- As we see later, FS properties allow us to compute FS coefficients in a much simpler way.
- we want to study the effect of different transformations applied on signal on FS coefficients of the signal.

- For convenience, define a shorthand notation:

$$x(t) \xleftrightarrow{FS} a_k$$

$$y(t) \xleftrightarrow{FS} b_k$$

$$z(t) \xleftrightarrow{FS} c_k$$

• PROPERTIES:

01 - LINEARITY:

$$\alpha x(t) + \beta y(t) \xleftrightarrow{FS} \alpha a_k + \beta b_k$$

02 - TIME SHIFT:

$$x(t-t_0) \xleftrightarrow{FS} e^{-jk\omega_0 t_0} a_k$$

Proof:

$$\text{Let } y(t) = x(t-t_0)$$

By definition;

$$\begin{aligned} b_k &= \frac{1}{T} \int_T y(t) e^{-jk\omega_0 t} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{T} \int_T x(t-t_0) e^{-jk\omega_0 t} dt \end{aligned}$$

$$b_k = \frac{1}{T} \int_T y(t) e^{-jk\omega_0 t} dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{T} \int_T x(t-t_0) e^{-jk\omega_0 t} dt$$

Let $t - t_0 = p$

$$\Rightarrow b_k = \underbrace{\frac{1}{T} \int_T x(p) e^{-jk\omega_0 p} dp}_{a_k} e^{-jk\omega_0 t_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow b_k = a_k \left(e^{-jk\omega_0 t_0} \right)$$

Interpretation: Time shift in the signal introduces phase change in FS coefficients. that is, magnitude of FS coefficients does not change with the time-shift of the signal.

03- TIME REVERSAL

Property: $x(-t) \longleftrightarrow a_{-k}$

Proof:

Let $y(t) = x(-t)$

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

Let $-t \rightarrow p$

$$\Rightarrow b_k = \frac{1}{T} \int_T x(p) e^{-j(-k)\omega_0 p} dp$$

$$= a_{-k}$$

Reversal in time-domain $\Rightarrow$ Reversal of FS coefficients

04- CONJUGATE PROPERTY AND SYMMETRY

Property: $x(t) \xleftrightarrow{*} a_{-k}$

Proof; Do it yourself!

Implications :-

For a real signal;

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

$$\Rightarrow a_k = a_{-k}^*$$

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This is known as conjugate-symmetry of FS coefficients of a real signal.

- Using conjugate symmetry property and time reversal property, we can show following properties.

- If signal $x(t)$ is real and even.

$$x(t) = x^*(t) \Rightarrow a_k = a_{-k}^*$$

$$x(t) = x(-t) \Rightarrow a_k = a_{-k}$$

$a_k \rightarrow$ Real and Even.



- If $x(t)$ is real and odd,

FS coefficients ; odd and purely imaginary
that is,

$$a_k = -a_{-k}, \quad a_k = -a_k^*$$