

Chapter 3

Discrete-Time Fourier Transform (DTFT)



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- *Discrete-Time Fourier Transform*
- *Frequency Response of an LTI Discrete-Time Systems (DTFT of the impulse response)*

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Chapter 3A

Discrete-Time Fourier Transform



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1.1 Definition of CTFT

Definition

- The CTFT of a continuous-time signal $x_a(t)$ is given by

$$X_a(j\Omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_a(t) e^{-j\Omega t} dt$$

- Often referred to as the **Fourier Spectrum** or simply the **Spectrum** of the continuous-time signal

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1.1 Definition of CTFT

Definition

- The inverse CTFT of a Fourier Transform $X_a(j\Omega)$ is given by

$$x_a(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X_a(j\Omega) e^{j\Omega t} d\Omega$$

- Often referred to as the **Fourier integral**
- A CTFT pair will be denoted as

$$x_a(t) \xrightarrow{\text{CTFT}} X_a(j\Omega)$$

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1.1 Definition of CTFT

- Ω is real and denotes the continuous-time angular frequency variable in radians
- In general, the CTFT is a complex function of Ω in the range $-\infty < \Omega < \infty$
- It can be expressed in the **polar form** as

$$X_a(j\Omega) = |X_a(j\Omega)| e^{j\theta_a(\Omega)}$$

where

$$\theta_a(\Omega) = \arg\{X_a(j\Omega)\}$$

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1.1 Definition of CTFT

- The quantity $|X_a(j\Omega)|$ is called the **magnitude spectrum** and the quantity $\theta_a(\Omega)$ is called the **phase spectrum**
- Both spectrums are real functions of Ω
- In general, the CTFT $X_a(j\Omega)$ exists if $x_a(t)$ satisfies the **Dirichlet Conditions** (狄利克雷条件) given on the next slide

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1.1 Definition of CTFT

Dirichlet Conditions

- (a) The signal $x_a(t)$ has a finite number of discontinuities and a finite number of maxima and minima in any finite interval
- (b) The signal is absolutely integrable, i.e.

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x_a(t)| dt < \infty$$

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1.1 Definition of CTFT

- If the **Dirichlet Conditions** are satisfied, then

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X_a(j\Omega) e^{j\Omega t} d\Omega$$

converges to $x_a(t)$ at values of t except at values of t where $x_a(t)$ has discontinuities

- It can be shown that if $x_a(t)$ is **absolutely integrable**, then $|X_a(j\Omega)| < \infty$ proving the existence of the CTFT

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1.2 Energy Density Spectrum

- The total energy \mathcal{E}_x of a finite energy continuous-time complex signal $x_a(t)$ is given by

$$\mathcal{E}_x = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x_a(t)|^2 dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_a(t) x_a^*(t) dt$$

- The above expression can be rewritten as

$$\mathcal{E}_x = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_a(t) \left[\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X_a^*(j\Omega) e^{-j\Omega t} d\Omega \right] dt$$

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1.2 Energy Density Spectrum

- Interchanging the order of the integration, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}_x &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X_a^*(j\Omega) \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_a(t) e^{-j\Omega t} dt \right] d\Omega \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X_a^*(j\Omega) X_a(j\Omega) d\Omega \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |X_a(j\Omega)|^2 d\Omega \end{aligned}$$

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1.2 Energy Density Spectrum



- Hence

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x_a(t)|^2 dt = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |X_a(j\Omega)|^2 d\Omega$$

- The above relation is more commonly known as the **Parseval's relation** for finite energy continuous-time signals

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1.2 Energy Density Spectrum



- The quantity $|X_a(j\Omega)|^2$ is called the **energy density spectrum** of $x_a(t)$ and usually denoted as

$$S_{xx}(\Omega) = |X_a(j\Omega)|^2$$

- The energy over a specified range of frequencies $\Omega_a \leq \Omega \leq \Omega_b$ can be computed using

$$\mathcal{E}_{x,r} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\Omega_a}^{\Omega_b} S_{xx}(\Omega) d\Omega$$

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1.3 Band-limited Continuous-Time Signals



- A **full-band**, finite-energy, continuous-time signal has a spectrum occupying the whole frequency range $-\infty < \Omega < \infty$
- A **band-limited** continuous-time signal has a spectrum that is limited to a portion of the frequency range $-\infty < \Omega < \infty$

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1.3 Band-limited Continuous-Time Signals



- An **ideal band-limited** signal has a spectrum that is zero outside a finite frequency range $\Omega_a \leq |\Omega| \leq \Omega_b$, that is

$$X_a(j\Omega) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \leq |\Omega| \leq \Omega_a \\ 0, & \Omega_b \leq |\Omega| \leq \infty \end{cases}$$

- However, an ideal band-limited signal cannot be generated in practice

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1.3 Band-limited Continuous-Time Signals



- Band-limited signals are classified according to the frequency range where most of the signal's is concentrated
- A **lowpass**, continuous-time signal has a spectrum occupying the frequency range $|\Omega| \leq \Omega_p < \infty$ where Ω_p is called the **bandwidth** of the signal

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1.3 Band-limited Continuous-Time Signals



- A **highpass**, continuous-time signal has a spectrum occupying the frequency range $0 < \Omega_p \leq |\Omega| < \infty$ where the **bandwidth** of the signal is from Ω_p to ∞
- A **bandpass**, continuous-time signal has a spectrum occupying the frequency range $0 < \Omega_L \leq |\Omega| \leq \Omega_H < \infty$ where $\Omega_H - \Omega_L$ is the **bandwidth**

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2.1 Definition of DTFT

Definition

- The **discrete-time Fourier transform (DTFT)** $X(e^{j\omega})$ of a sequence $x(n)$ is given by

$$X(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n)e^{-j\omega n}$$

- In general, $X(e^{j\omega})$ is a complex function of the real variable ω and can be written as

$$X(e^{j\omega}) = |X(e^{j\omega})|e^{j\theta(\omega)}$$

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2.1 Definition of DTFT

- $|X(e^{j\omega})|$ is called the **magnitude function** and $\theta(\omega)$ is called the **phase function**
- In many applications, the DTFT is called the **Fourier spectrum**
- Likewise, $|X(e^{j\omega})|$ and $\theta(\omega)$ are called the **magnitude** and **phase spectra**
- It should be noted that DTFT is a continuous function of ω

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2.1 Definition of DTFT

- For a real sequence $x(n)$, $|X(e^{j\omega})|$ and $\text{Re}[X(e^{j\omega})]$ are **even functions** of ω , whereas, $\theta(\omega)$ and $\text{Im}[X(e^{j\omega})]$ are **odd functions** of ω
- Note that, for any integer k

$$\begin{aligned} X(e^{j\omega}) &= |X(e^{j\omega})|e^{j\theta(\omega)} \\ &= |X(e^{j\omega})|e^{j(\theta(\omega)+2k\pi)} \end{aligned}$$

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2.1 Definition of DTFT

- The phase function $\theta(\omega)$ cannot be uniquely specified for any DTFT
- Unless otherwise stated, we shall assume that the phase function $\theta(\omega)$ is restricted to the following range of values:

$$-\pi \leq \theta(\omega) \leq \pi$$

called the **principal value**

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2.1 Definition of DTFT

Example

- The DTFT of the unit sample sequence $\{\delta(n)\}$ is given by

$$X(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(n)e^{-j\omega n} = \delta(0) = 1$$

- Consider the causal sequence $x(n) = a^n u(n)$ $|a| < 1$

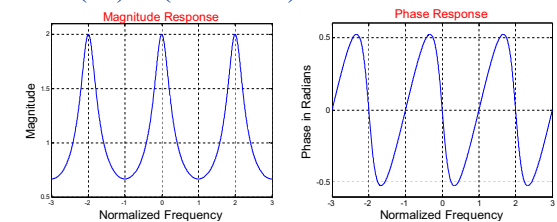
$$X(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a^n e^{-j\omega n} = \frac{1}{1 - ae^{-j\omega}}$$

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2.1 Definition of DTFT

Simulation Results

- The magnitude and phase of the DTFT $X(e^{j\omega}) = 1/(1 - 0.5e^{-j\omega})$ are shown below



2.1 Definition of DTFT

- The DTFT of a sequence $x(n)$, is a **continuous function** of ω . It is also a **periodic function** of ω with a period 2π
- The **Inverse discrete-time Fourier transform** (IDTFT) of $X(e^{j\omega})$ is given by

Proof

$$x(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} X(e^{j\omega}) e^{j\omega n} d\omega$$

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2.2 Convergence Condition

- If $x(n)$ is an **absolutely summable sequence**, i.e., if

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |x(n)| < \infty$$

Then

$$|X(e^{j\omega})| = \left| \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n) e^{-j\omega n} \right| < \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |x(n)| < \infty$$

- Thus, the **absolute summability** of $x(n)$ is a **sufficient condition** for the existence of the DTFT

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2.3 DTFT Properties

- Linearity**
- Shifting** (in time and in frequency domain)
- Differentiation**
- Convolution** (in time and in frequency domain)

$$x(n) * y(n) \Leftrightarrow X(e^{j\omega}) \cdot Y(e^{j\omega})$$

$$x(n)y(n) \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} X(e^{j\theta}) Y(e^{j(\omega-\theta)}) d\theta$$

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2.3 DTFT Properties

- Area Theorem** (simple but useful)

$$x(0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} X(e^{j\omega}) d\omega \quad X(e^{j0}) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n)$$

- Parseval's Theorem**

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n) y^*(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} X(e^{j\omega}) Y^*(e^{j\omega}) d\omega$$

Corollary—Energy is preserved

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |x(n)|^2 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |X(e^{j\omega})|^2 d\omega$$

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2.3 DTFT Properties

- Symmetry Relations (DTFT pairs)**

$$\begin{aligned} x_r(n) &\Leftrightarrow X_{cs}(e^{j\omega}) & jx_i(n) &\Leftrightarrow X_{ca}(e^{j\omega}) \\ x_{cs}(n) &\Leftrightarrow X_r(e^{j\omega}) & x_{ca}(n) &\Leftrightarrow jX_i(e^{j\omega}) \end{aligned}$$

- For an arbitrary real sequence

$$X(e^{j\omega}) = X^*(e^{-j\omega})$$

Corollary

$$X_R(e^{j\omega}) \quad X_I(e^{j\omega}) \quad |X(e^{j\omega})| \quad \arg[X_R(e^{j\omega})]$$

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2.3 DTFT Properties

Some Common Discrete-Time Fourier Transform Pairs

Sequence	Transform
$\delta[n]$	1
$\delta[n - n_0]$	$e^{-j\omega n_0}$
$1(\forall n)$	$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2\pi \delta(\omega + 2\pi k)$
$u[n]$	$\frac{1}{1 - e^{-j\omega}} + \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \pi \delta(\omega + 2\pi k)$
$\frac{\sin(\omega_0 n)}{\pi n}$	$X(e^{j\omega}) = \begin{cases} 1, & \omega < \omega_0 \\ 0, & \omega_0 < \omega < \pi \end{cases}$
$e^{j\omega_0 n}$	$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2\pi \delta(\omega - \omega_0 + 2\pi k)$
$\cos(\omega_0 n + \phi)$	$\pi \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} [e^{j\phi} \delta(\omega - \omega_0 + 2\pi k) + e^{-j\phi} \delta(\omega + \omega_0 + 2\pi k)]$
$x[n] = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq n \leq M \\ 0, & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$	$\frac{\sin[\omega(M+1)/2]}{\sin(\omega/2)} e^{-j\omega M/2}$

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2.3 DTFT Properties

Example

Determine the DFT $Y(e^{j\omega})$ of $y(n)=(n+1)a^n u(n)$ ($|a|<1$)

Step 1: Let $x(n)=a^n u(n)$. Therefore

$$y(n)=nx(n)+x(n)$$

Step 2: Calculate the DTFT $X(e^{j\omega})$

$$X(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{1}{1-ae^{-j\omega}}$$

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2.3 DTFT Properties

Step 3: Calculate the DTFT of $nx(n)$

$$j \frac{dX(e^{j\omega})}{d\omega} = j \frac{-aje^{-j\omega}}{(1-ae^{-j\omega})^2} = \frac{ae^{-j\omega}}{(1-ae^{-j\omega})^2}$$

Step 4: Calculate the DTFT $Y(e^{j\omega})$ of $y(n)$

$$Y(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{ae^{-j\omega}}{(1-ae^{-j\omega})^2} + \frac{1}{1-ae^{-j\omega}} = \frac{1}{(1-ae^{-j\omega})^2}$$

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2.4 Energy Density Spectrum

- The total energy of a finite-energy sequence $g(n)$ is given by

$$\mathcal{E}_g = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |g(n)|^2$$

- From Parseval's relation we observe that

$$\mathcal{E}_g = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |g(n)|^2 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |G(e^{j\omega})|^2 d\omega$$

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2.4 Energy Density Spectrum

- The quantity

$$S_{gg}(e^{j\omega}) = |G(e^{j\omega})|^2$$

is called the **energy density spectrum**

- The area under this curve in the range $-\pi \leq \omega \leq \pi$ divided by 2π is the energy of the sequence

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2.4 Energy Density Spectrum

- Recall that the autocorrelation sequence $r_{gg}(l)$ of $g(n)$ can be expressed as

$$r_{gg}(l) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} g(n)g(-l-n) = g(l) * g(-l)$$

- As we know that the DTFT of $g(-l)$ is $G(e^{-j\omega})$, therefore, the DTFT of $g(l) * g(-l)$ is given by $|G(e^{j\omega})|^2$, where we have used the fact that **for a real sequence** $g(n)$, $G(e^{-j\omega})=G^*(e^{j\omega})$

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2.4 Energy Density Spectrum

- As a result, the energy density spectrum $S_{gg}(e^{j\omega})$ of a real sequence $g(n)$ can be computed by taking the DTFT of its autocorrelation sequence $r_{gg}(l)$, i.e.,

$$S_{gg}(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} r_{gg}(l)e^{-j\omega l}$$

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2.4 Energy Density Spectrum

Example

- Compute the energy of the sequence

$$h_{LP}(n) = \frac{\sin \omega_c n}{n\pi}, \quad -\infty \leq n \leq \infty$$

- Here

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |h_{LP}(n)|^2 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |H_{LP}(e^{j\omega})|^2 d\omega$$

$$\text{where } H_{LP}(e^{j\omega}) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq |\omega| \leq \omega_c \\ 0, & \omega_c < |\omega| \leq \pi \end{cases}$$

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2.4 Energy Density Spectrum

- Therefore, Compute the energy of the sequence

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |h_{LP}(n)|^2 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\omega_c}^{\omega_c} d\omega = \frac{\omega_c}{\pi} < \infty$$

- Hence, $h_{LP}(n)$ is a **finite-energy sequence**

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2.5 DTFT Computation Using MATLAB

- The function `freqz` can be used to compute the values of the DTFT of a sequence, described as a rational function in the form of

$$X(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{p_0 + p_1 e^{-j\omega} + \dots + p_M e^{-j\omega M}}{d_0 + d_1 e^{-j\omega} + \dots + d_N e^{-j\omega N}}$$

at a prescribed set of discrete frequency points $\omega = \omega_l$.

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2.5 DTFT Computation Using MATLAB

- For example, the statement `H= freqz(p,d,w)` returns the frequency response values as a vector H of a DTFT defined in terms of the vectors p and d containing the coefficients $\{p_i\}$ and $\{d_i\}$, respectively at a prescribed set of frequencies between 0 and 2π given by the vector ω .

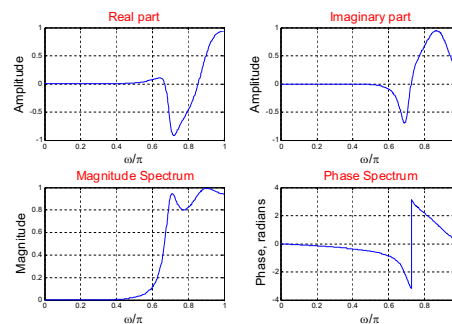
- For example

$$p = [0.008 \quad -0.033 \quad 0.05 \quad -0.033 \quad 0.008]$$

$$d = [1 \quad 2.37 \quad 2.7 \quad 1.6 \quad 0.41]$$

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2.5 DTFT Computation Using MATLAB



2.6 Linear Convolution Using DTFT

- According to the convolution theorem

$$y(n) = x(n) * h(n) \Leftrightarrow Y(e^{j\omega}) = X(e^{j\omega})H(e^{j\omega})$$

- An implication of this result is that the linear convolution $y(n)$ of the sequences $x(n)$ and $h(n)$ can be performed as follows:

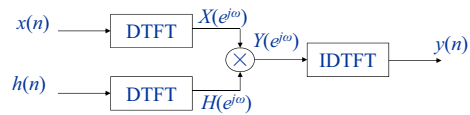
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2.6 Linear Convolution Using DTFT

Step 1: Compute the DTFTs $X(e^{j\omega})$ and $H(e^{j\omega})$ of the sequences $x(n)$ and $h(n)$, respectively.

Step 2: Form the DTFT $Y(e^{j\omega}) = X(e^{j\omega})H(e^{j\omega})$

Step 3: Compute the IDTFT $y(n)$ of $Y(e^{j\omega})$



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2.7 DTFT for Special Sequence

- The DTFT can also be defined for a certain class of sequences which are neither absolutely summable nor square summable.
- Examples of such sequences are the unit step sequence $u(n)$, the sinusoidal sequence $\cos(\omega_0 n + \phi)$ and the exponential sequence $A\alpha^n$
- For this type of sequences, a DTFT representation is possible using the **Dirac delta function** $\delta(\omega)$

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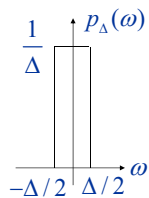
2.7 DTFT for Special Sequence

- A **Dirac delta function** $\delta(\omega)$ is a function of ω with infinite height, zero width, and unit area
- It is the limiting form of a **unit area pulse function** $p_\Delta(\omega)$ as Δ goes to zero satisfying

$$\lim_{\Delta \rightarrow 0} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p_\Delta(\omega) d\omega = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(\omega) d\omega$$

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2.7 DTFT for Special Sequence



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