

EL331 Signals and Systems

Lecture 20

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Magnitude-phase Representation of Fourier Transform

$$X(j\omega) = |X(j\omega)|e^{j\arg X(j\omega)}, \quad X(e^{j\omega}) = |X(e^{j\omega})|e^{j\arg X(e^{j\omega})}$$

Recall Fourier transform is decomposition of signal into superposition of complex exponentials (“waves”)

- $|X|$ gives magnitudes of components
- $\arg X$ gives phases of components

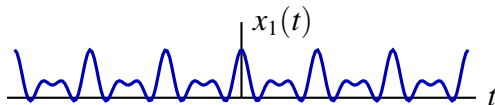
Phase $\arg X$ contains **substantial** information about signal

- determines whether components add **constructively or destructively**
- small change can lead to very differential-looking signals for same magnitude spectrum

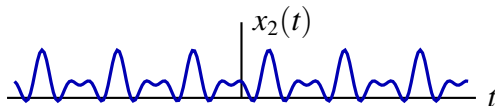
Importance of Phase Information

$$x(t) = 1 + \frac{1}{2} \cos(2\pi t + \phi_1) + \cos(4\pi t + \phi_2) + \frac{2}{3} \cos(6\pi t + \phi_3)$$

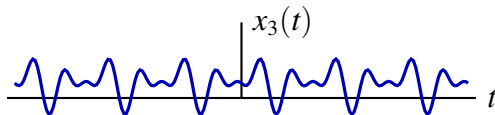
$$\phi_1 = 0, \phi_2 = 0, \phi_3 = 0$$



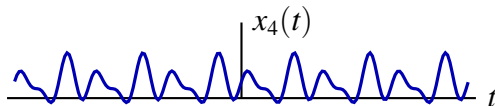
$$\phi_1 = 4, \phi_2 = 8, \phi_3 = 12$$



$$\phi_1 = 6, \phi_2 = -2.7, \phi_3 = 0.93$$

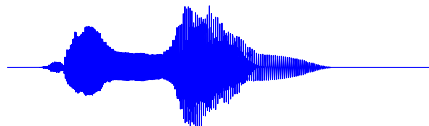


$$\phi_1 = 1.2, \phi_2 = 4.1, \phi_3 = -7.02$$

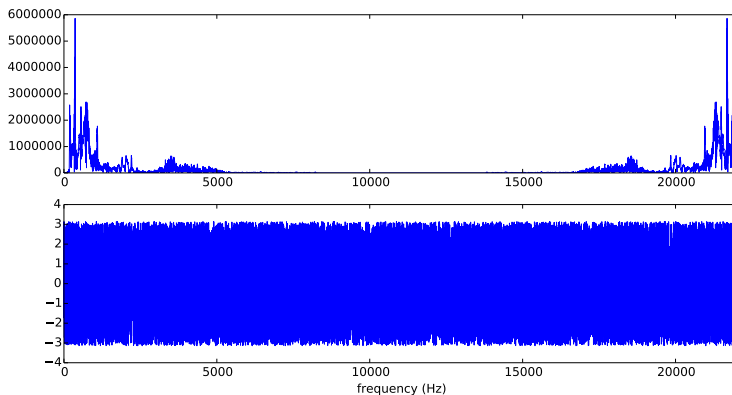


Magnitude vs. Phase

Waveform x for Chinese word “中文”

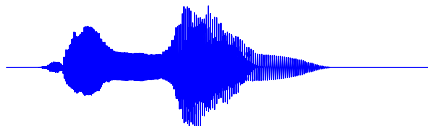


Magnitude and phase spectra $|X|$, $\arg X$ (DFT)

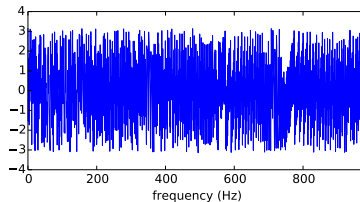
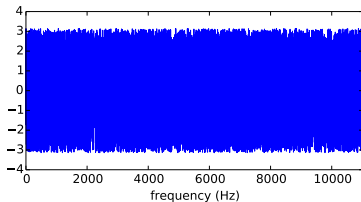
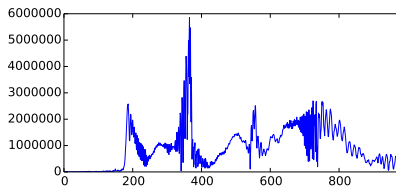
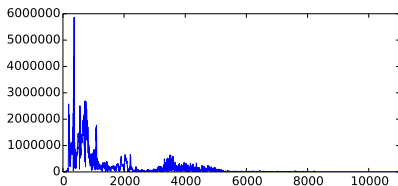


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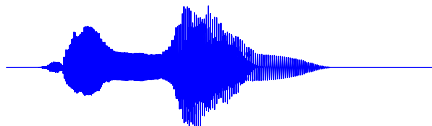


Magnitude and phase spectra $|X|$, $\arg X$ (DFT)



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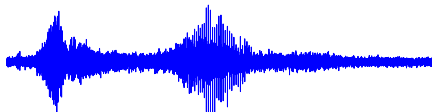
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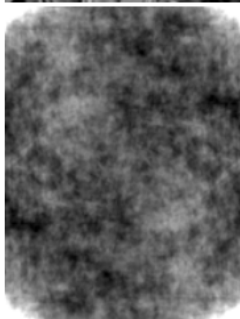
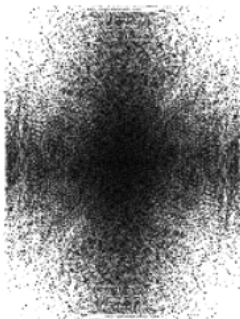
Waveform reconstructed by magnitude spectra only $\mathcal{F}^{-1}\{|X|\}$



Waveform reconstructed by phase spectra only $\mathcal{F}^{-1}\{e^{j\arg X}\}$



Magnitude vs. Phase



Top row

X , $|X|$, $\arg X$

Bottom row

$\mathcal{F}^{-1}\{|X|\}$

$\mathcal{F}^{-1}\{e^{j\arg X}\}$

Magnitude-phase Representation of Frequency Response

For LTI systems

$$Y(j\omega) = H(j\omega)X(j\omega), \quad Y(e^{j\omega}) = H(e^{j\omega})X(e^{j\omega})$$

Thus

$$|Y| = |H| \cdot |X|, \quad |H| \text{ called gain of system}$$

and

$$\arg Y = \arg H + \arg X, \quad \arg H \text{ called phase shift of system}$$

Effects of LTI system may or may not be desirable

- want specific effects for filtering
- if undesirable, effects called distortion

Example. Distortionless transmission

- ideally, $H(j\omega) = 1$, but noncausal
- $H(j\omega) = Ke^{-j\omega t_0}$, preserves shape, only scaling + delay

Linear Phase

For CT LTI system with unit gain and linear phase

$$H(j\omega) = e^{-j\omega t_0} \implies y(t) = x(t - t_0)$$

output is delayed version of input

For DT LTI system with unit gain and linear phase

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = e^{-j\omega n_0},$$

output

$$y[n] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} X(e^{j\omega}) e^{-j\omega n_0} e^{j\omega n} d\omega = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} x[m] \operatorname{sinc}(n - n_0 - m)$$

- for integer n_0 , $y[n] = x[n - n_0]$ is delayed version of input
- for non-integer n_0 , $y[n] = y_c(n - n_0)$ is sample of delayed version of envelope $y_c(t) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} x[m] \operatorname{sinc}(t - m)$ of x

Linear Phase

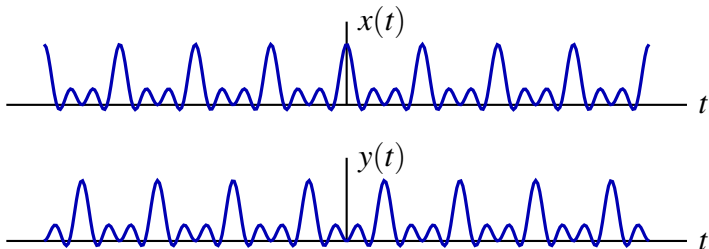
$$H(j\omega) = e^{-j\omega/2}$$

For input

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=0}^3 \cos(2k\pi t) = 1 + \cos(2\pi t) + \cos(4\pi t) + \cos(6\pi t)$$

output is

$$y(t) = \sum_{k=0}^3 \cos(2k\pi t - k\pi) = x(t - \frac{1}{2})$$



Linear Phase

Half-sample delay

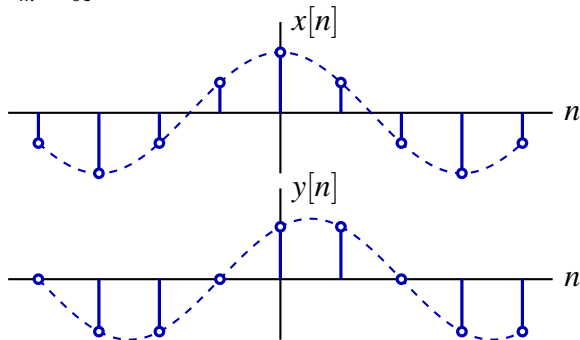
$$H(e^{j\omega}) = e^{-j\omega/2}$$

For input

$$x[n] = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3}n\right)$$

output is

$$y[n] = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3}m\right) \text{sinc}\left(n - n_0 - m\right) = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\left[n - \frac{1}{2}\right]\right)$$



Nonlinear Phase

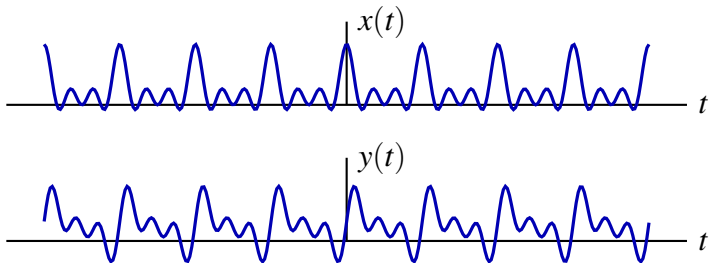
$$H(j\omega) = e^{-j \arctan \omega}$$

For input

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=0}^3 \cos(2k\pi t) = 1 + \cos(2\pi t) + \cos(4\pi t) + \cos(6\pi t)$$

output is

$$y(t) = \sum_{k=0}^3 \cos[2k\pi t - \arctan(2k\pi)]$$



Group Delay

For narrowband input x centered at ω_0 , i.e.

$$X(j\omega) = 0, \quad \text{for } |\omega - \omega_0| > \Delta\omega, \text{ where } \Delta\omega \ll 1$$

Use linear approximation for phase

$$\arg H(j\omega) \approx \arg H(j\omega_0) - \tau(\omega_0)(\omega - \omega_0) = \phi_0 - \tau(\omega_0)\omega$$

where **group delay** at ω is

$$\tau(\omega) = -\frac{d}{d\omega} \arg H(j\omega)$$

If $|H(j\omega)| \approx |H(j\omega_0)|$ for $|\omega - \omega_0| \leq \Delta\omega$,

$$Y(j\omega) \approx |H(j\omega_0)|X(j\omega)e^{j\phi_0 - j\tau(\omega_0)\omega} \implies y(t) \approx |H(j\omega_0)|e^{j\phi_0}x(t - \tau(\omega_0))$$

Group Delay

$$H(j\omega) = e^{-j \arctan \omega} \implies \tau(\omega) = \frac{d}{d\omega} \arctan(\omega) = \frac{1}{1 + \omega^2}$$

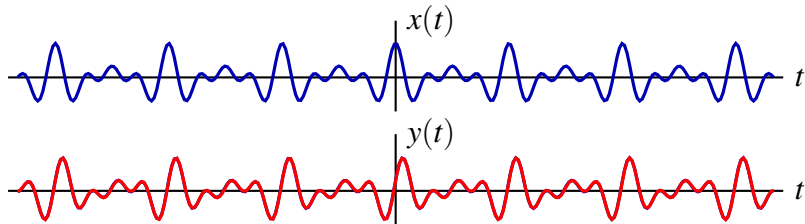
For input (sum of **two** narrowband signals z, \bar{z} centered at $\pm\pi$)

$$x(t) = \sum_{k=9}^{11} \cos\left(\frac{k\pi}{10}t\right) = \operatorname{Re} z(t) = \frac{1}{2}z(t) + \frac{1}{2}\bar{z}(t), \text{ where } z(t) = \sum_{k=9}^{11} e^{j\frac{k\pi}{10}t}$$

output

$$y(t) \approx \frac{1}{2}e^{j\phi_0}z(t - \tau_0) + \frac{1}{2}e^{-j\phi_0}\bar{z}(t - \tau_0) = \operatorname{Re} [e^{j\phi_0}z(t - \tau_0)]$$

where $\phi_0 = -\arctan \pi + \frac{\pi}{1+\pi^2}$, $\tau_0 = \frac{1}{1+\pi^2}$.



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Uncertainty Principle

Assume CT signal $x \in L_2(\mathbb{R})$, so $X = \mathcal{F}\{x\} \in L_2(\mathbb{R})$

Define normalized power density in time and frequency

$$p(t) = \frac{|x(t)|^2}{\int_{\mathbb{R}} |x(\tau)|^2 d\tau}, \quad P(\omega) = \frac{|X(j\omega)|^2}{\int_{\mathbb{R}} |X(j\theta)|^2 d\theta}$$

NB. p and P can be interpreted as probability densities, as done in quantum mechanics

x and X are centered at t_0 and ω_0 resp. in the sense

$$t_0 = \int_{\mathbb{R}} tp(t)dt, \quad \omega_0 = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \omega P(\omega)d\omega$$

“Standard deviation” measures energy spread around center

$$\Delta t = \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}} (t - t_0)^2 p(t) dt \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad \Delta \omega = \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}} (\omega - \omega_0)^2 P(\omega) d\omega \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Uncertainty Principle

Theorem. If $x(t) \in L_2(\mathbb{R})$ with Fourier transform $X(j\omega)$, then

$$\Delta t \Delta \omega \geq \frac{1}{2}$$

with equality iff x is Gaussian

In fact, the following slightly more general relation holds

$$D_a(x) D_b(X) \geq \frac{1}{2} \|x\|_2 \cdot \|X\|_2$$

where for $g \in L_2(\mathbb{R})$ and $a \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$D_a(g) = \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}} (\xi - a)^2 |g(\xi)|^2 d\xi \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

NB. Roughly speaking, signals cannot be localized in both time and frequency; short pulse has large bandwidth, narrowband signal has long duration

Proof of Uncertainty Principle

First assume $a = b = 0$.

$$D_0(X) = \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}} \omega^2 |X(j\omega)|^2 d\omega \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} = \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}} |j\omega X(j\omega)|^2 d\omega \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Since $x'(t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} j\omega X(j\omega)$, Parseval's identity yields

$$D_0(X) = \left[2\pi \int_{\mathbb{R}} |x'(t)|^2 dt \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

By Cauchy-Schwarz inequality

$$\begin{aligned} D_0(x)D_0(X) &= \sqrt{2\pi} \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}} |tx(t)|^2 dt \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}} |x'(t)|^2 dt \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\geq \sqrt{2\pi} \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}} tx^*(t)x'(t) dt \right| \geq \sqrt{2\pi} \left| \operatorname{Re} \int_{\mathbb{R}} tx^*(t)x'(t) dt \right| \end{aligned}$$

Proof of Uncertainty Principle

Note

$$2\operatorname{Re} \int_{\mathbb{R}} tx^*(t)x'(t)dt = \int_{\mathbb{R}} tx^*(t)x'(t)dt + \int_{\mathbb{R}} tx(t)\overline{x'(t)}dt = \int_{\mathbb{R}} td|x(t)|^2$$

Integration by parts yields

$$2\operatorname{Re} \int_{\mathbb{R}} tx^*(t)x'(t)dt = t|x(t)|^2 \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty} - \int_{\mathbb{R}} |x(t)|^2 dt$$

Since inequality is trivial if $D_0(x) = \infty$, can assume $D_0(x) < \infty$, so $t|x(t)|^2 \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$. Thus

$$D_0(x)D_0(X) \geq \frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{2} \|x\|_2^2 = \frac{1}{2} \|x\|_2 \cdot \|X\|_2$$

For $a, b \neq 0$, note $D_a(x) = D_0(y)$ and $D_b(X) = D_0(Y)$ for $y(t) = x(t+a)e^{-jbt} \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} Y(j\omega) = X(j(\omega+b))e^{j(\omega+b)a}$

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Four Fourier Representations

CT Fourier series

$$\hat{x}[k] = \frac{1}{T} \int_T x(t) e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{T}kt} dt$$

$$x(t) = x(t + T) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{x}[k] e^{j\frac{2\pi}{T}kt}$$

DT Fourier series

$$\hat{x}[k] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n \in [N]} x[n] e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{N}kn}$$

$$x[n] = x[n + N] = \sum_{k \in [N]} \hat{x}[k] e^{j\frac{2\pi}{N}kn}$$

DFT is one period of DTFS

CT Fourier transform

$$X(j\omega) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} x(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt$$

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbb{R}} X(j\omega) e^{j\omega t} d\omega$$

DT Fourier transform

$$X(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} x[n] e^{-j\omega n}$$

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

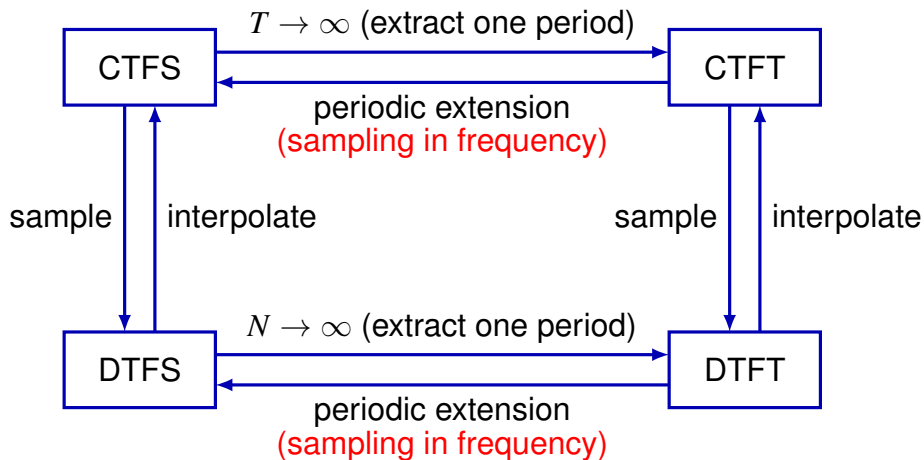
Relations among Four Fourier Representations

	time		frequency	
CTFS	continuous	periodic	discrete	aperiodic
CTFT	continuous	aperiodic	continuous	aperiodic
DTFS	discrete	periodic	discrete	periodic
DTFT	discrete	aperiodic	continuous	periodic

Observations

- periodic in one domain \iff discrete in other domain
- discretization by sampling in one domain \iff periodic extension in other domain
- continualization by interpolation in one domain \iff extraction of one period in other domain

Relations among Four Fourier Representations



NB. Conditions apply in some cases.