

# Fourier Transform: Additional Rules and Examples

$$f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \xrightarrow{\text{F.T.}} F(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2\pi i x s} f(x) dx$$

Recall: Plancherel Formula:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |F(s)|^2 ds = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(x)|^2 dx$$

## Reconstruction Formula / Inversion Formula / Synthesis Formula

Question: How to recover  $f$  from  $F$  ?

Answer:

Theorem → Plancherel/Parseval

① Assume  $F \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |F(s)|^2 ds < \infty$ , or equivalently,  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$

Then: 
$$f(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{2\pi i x s} \cdot F(s) ds$$
 (in  $L^2$ -sense).

with convergence in  $L^2$ -sense (or, mean-square convergence):

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| f(x) - \int_{-R}^R e^{2\pi i x s} F(s) ds \right|^2 dx = 0$$

② [Dirichlet]. Assume  $f$  satisfies "some regularity conditions". Then

for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-R}^R e^{2\pi i x s} F(s) ds = \frac{1}{2} (f(x-0) + f(x+0))$$

(pointwise result/recovery)

Why: Plancherel  $\Rightarrow$  Inversion.

$$1. \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |F(s)|^2 ds = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(x)|^2 dx \xrightarrow{(*)} \Rightarrow$$

$\Rightarrow$  if  $f, g \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$  and  $F, G$  are their Fourier transform:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(s) \cdot \overline{G(s)} ds = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \overline{g(x)} dx. \quad \text{(Parseval Formula)}$$

(polarization identity).

(idea: use  $(*)$  for

$$\|f+g\|^2 = \|F+G\|^2$$

$$\|f-g\|^2 = \|F-G\|^2$$

$$\|f+ig\|^2 = \|F+iG\|^2$$

$$\|f-ig\|^2 = \|F-iG\|^2$$

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$$2. \text{ Let } \tilde{f}(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{2\pi i x s} F(s) ds.$$

Want:  $\tilde{\tilde{f}} = f$ .  
Equivalently:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{f}(x) \cdot \overline{g(x)} dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \cdot \overline{g(x)} dx, \text{ for every } g.$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{2\pi i x s} F(s) ds \right) \cdot \overline{g(x)} dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(s) \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{2\pi i x s} \overline{g(x)} dx \right) ds =$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(s) \cdot \overline{G(s)} ds = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \cdot \overline{g(x)} dx.$$

Examples:

1. Recall :  $f = \Pi \longrightarrow F = \text{sinc}.$

by inversion formula:

$g = \text{sinc} \longrightarrow G(s) = \Pi(-s) = \Pi(s).$

Rule : Inversion Formula Rule. (Synthesis Formula Rule).  
(Inversion Rule)

Function                      Fourier Transform.

If.  $f \xrightarrow{\text{F.T.}} F$

Then  $g(x) = F(x) \xrightarrow{\text{F.T.}} G(s) = f(-s).$

Why:  $G(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2\pi i x s} g(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2\pi i x s} F(x) dx \stackrel{\text{Inversion.}}{=} f(-s).$

2.  $f(x) = \frac{2}{1+4\pi^2 x^2} \longrightarrow F = ?$

Recall:  $f_1(x) = e^{-|x|} \dashrightarrow F_1(s) = \frac{2}{1+4\pi^2 s^2}$

$f(x) = F_1(x) \xrightarrow[\text{Inversion Rule.}]{\text{by the}} F(s) = f_1(-s) = e^{-|-s|} = e^{-|s|}$

# The Unit Gaussian

Let  $\gamma(x) = e^{-\pi x^2}$ ,  $\gamma: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Want:  $\hat{\gamma}(s) = \Gamma(s)$ , its Fourier transform.

Note,  $\gamma(-x) = \gamma(x)$  and  $\gamma$  is real-valued.  $\Rightarrow$ .  $\Gamma$  is also real-valued and symmetric (even).

$$\Gamma(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2\pi i x s} e^{-\pi x^2} dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cos(2\pi x s) e^{-\pi x^2} dx - i \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sin(2\pi x s) e^{-\pi x^2} dx}_{=0}$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cos(2\pi x s) e^{-\pi x^2} dx$$

because:  $- \pi x^2$   
 $x \mapsto \sin(2\pi x s) \cdot e^{-\pi x^2}$   
is odd (antisymmetric)  
and.  $\int_{-R}^R \text{Antisymmetric}(x) dx = 0$

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{ds} = \frac{d}{ds} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cos(2\pi x s) e^{-\pi x^2} dx =$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left( \frac{d}{ds} (\cos(2\pi x s)) \right) \cdot e^{-\pi x^2} dx = -2\pi \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sin(2\pi x s) \cdot x e^{-\pi x^2} dx =$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (e^{-\pi x^2}) = -2\pi x \cdot e^{-\pi x^2}$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sin(2\pi x s) \cdot \frac{d}{dx} (e^{-\pi x^2}) dx \stackrel{\text{integration by parts}}{=}$$

$$= \sin(2\pi x s) \cdot e^{-\pi x^2} \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty} - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} 2\pi s \cdot \cos(2\pi x s) e^{-\pi x^2} dx =$$

$$= 0 - 2\pi s \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cos(2\pi x s) e^{-\pi x^2} dx = -2\pi s \cdot \Gamma(s)$$

Thus:

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$$\frac{d\Gamma}{ds} + 2\pi s \cdot \Gamma(s) = 0.$$

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{\Gamma} = -2\pi s \cdot ds$$

$$\log |\Gamma| = -\pi s^2 + C \Rightarrow \Gamma(s) = \Gamma(0) \cdot e^{-\pi s^2}$$

$$\Gamma(0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2\pi i x \cdot 0} \cdot e^{-\pi x^2} dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi x^2} dx = 1. \quad \leftarrow \text{see HW 2.}$$

Conclusion:  $\Gamma(s) = e^{-\pi s^2}$

$$\delta(x) = e^{-\pi x^2} \xrightarrow{\text{F.T.}} \Gamma(s) = e^{-\pi s^2} = \delta(s).$$

Examples:

1.  $f_1(x) = e^{-x^2} \rightarrow F_1 = ?$

2.  $f_2(x) = \cos(2x) \cdot e^{-x^2} \rightarrow F_2 = ?$

Solution.

Function  
 $\delta(x) = e^{-\pi x^2}$

Fourier Transform  
 $\hat{\delta}(s) = e^{-\pi s^2}$

by  $f_1(x) = \delta\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{\pi}}\right) \xrightarrow{\text{Scaling Rule.}} F_1(s) = \sqrt{\pi} \hat{\delta}(\sqrt{\pi}s) = \sqrt{\pi} e^{-\pi s^2}$

$$\delta\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{\pi}}\right) = e^{-\pi\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{\pi}}\right)^2} = e^{-\frac{\pi}{\pi}x^2} = e^{-x^2} \quad \left| \quad a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \right.$$

$f_2(x) = \frac{1}{2} (e^{i2x} + e^{-i2x}) e^{-x^2} = \frac{1}{2} e^{i2x} f_1(x) + \frac{1}{2} e^{-i2x} f_1(x) \xrightarrow{\text{Modulation Rule}}$

$$f_2(x) = \frac{1}{2} e^{2ix} f_1(x) + \frac{1}{2} e^{-2ix} f_1(x) \rightarrow F_2(s) = \frac{1}{2} F_1\left(s - \frac{1}{\pi}\right) + \frac{1}{2} F_1\left(s + \frac{1}{\pi}\right) =$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} e^{-\pi^2\left(s - \frac{1}{\pi}\right)^2} + \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} e^{-\pi^2\left(s + \frac{1}{\pi}\right)^2}$$

We obtained:

$$\cos(2x) e^{-x^2} \xrightarrow{\text{F.T.}} \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} e^{-\pi^2\left(s - \frac{1}{\pi}\right)^2} + \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} e^{-\pi^2\left(s + \frac{1}{\pi}\right)^2}$$

Rules: Derivative Rule  
Power Scaling Rule.

Assume  $f$  satisfies "some" regularity.

Function:

Fourier Transform

If:  $f$

$F$

let  $g(x) = f'(x)$

$$G(s) = 2\pi i s \cdot F(s)$$

$h(x) = x \cdot f(x)$

$$H(s) = -\frac{1}{2\pi i} F'(s) = \frac{i}{2\pi} \frac{d}{ds}(F(s))$$

Why:

$$G(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2\pi i x s} g(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2\pi i x s} f'(x) dx \stackrel{\text{Integration by parts.}}{=} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2\pi i x s} f(x) dx = 2\pi i s \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2\pi i x s} f(x) dx = 2\pi i s \cdot F(s)$$

$$= \underbrace{e^{-2\pi i x s} f(x)}_{0} \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty} - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (-2\pi i s) e^{-2\pi i x s} f(x) dx = 2\pi i s \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2\pi i x s} f(x) dx = 2\pi i s \cdot F(s)$$

"Some" conditions:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} f(x) = 0$

$H(s) = \dots$  (similar). / or use inversion formula.

Theorem (see page 153)

Assume: (1)  $f$  is in  $C^{(n-1)}(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $n-1$  times differentiable.  
with continuous  $f^{(n-1)}$

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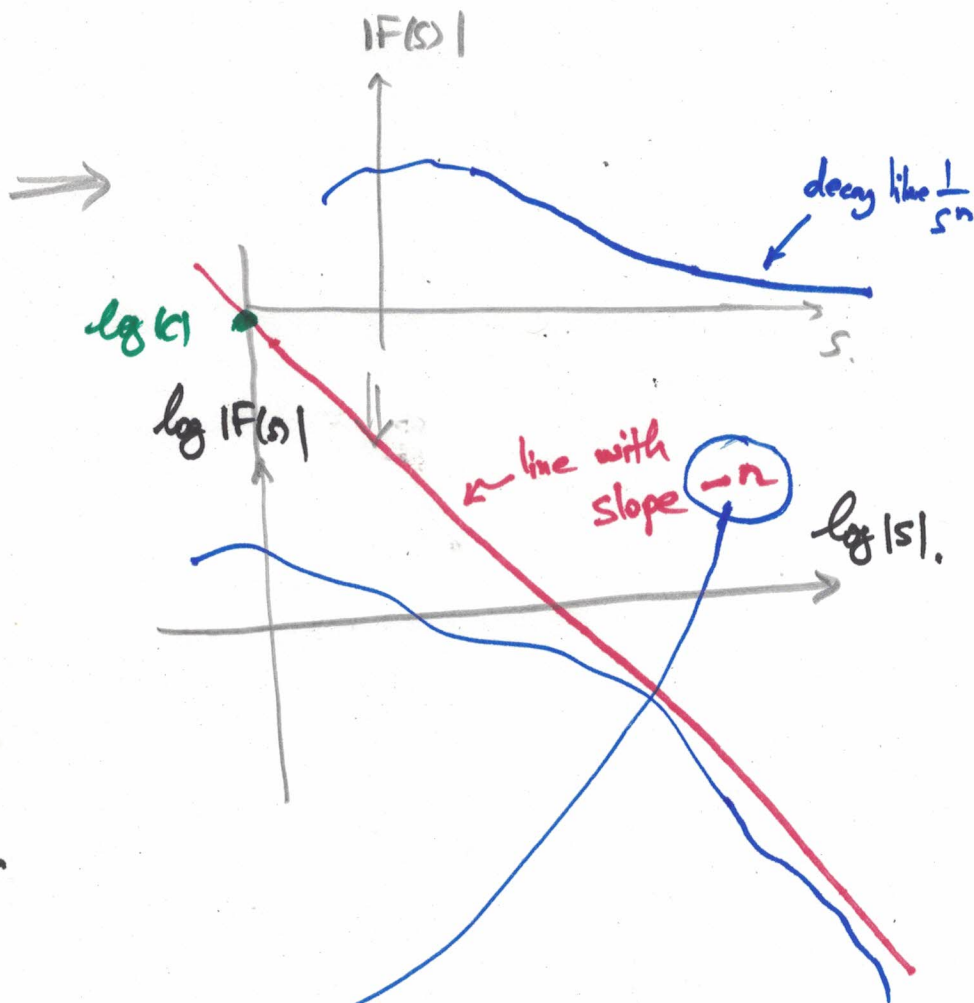
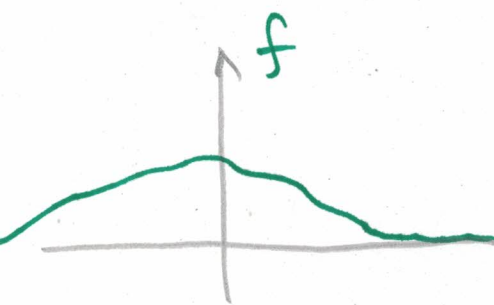
and  $f$  is piecewise  $C^{(n)}(\mathbb{R})$ , with bounded  $n$ th derivative.

$$(2). \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(x)| dx < \infty, \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f'(x)| dx < \infty, \dots, \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f^{(n)}(x)| dx < \infty$$

Then:

$$|F(s)| \leq \frac{C}{(1+|s|)^n}, \text{ for some } C > 0.$$

→ Fourier transform of  $f$  decays like  $\frac{1}{s^n}$  (as  $s \rightarrow \infty$ )



$$\begin{aligned} \log |F(s)| &\leq \log \frac{C}{|s|^n} = \\ &= \log(C) - n \log |s|. \end{aligned}$$

# Poisson Summation Formula

Start:  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

Step 1. Construct its 1-periodization:

$$g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \quad g(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} f(x-n)$$

$$\left[ g(x+1) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} f(x+1-n) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} f(x-m) = g(x). \right]$$

$m = n-1$

Step 2.

$$g(x) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{2\pi i k x}, \quad c_k = \int_0^1 e^{-2\pi i k x} g(x) dx$$

$$c_n = \int_0^1 e^{-2\pi i k x} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} f(x-n) dx = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_0^1 e^{-2\pi i k x} f(x-n) dx =$$

$y = x-n.$

$$= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-n}^{-n+1} \underbrace{e^{-2\pi i k (y+n)}}_{e^{-2\pi i k y}} f(y) dy. = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-n}^{-n+1} e^{-2\pi i k y} f(y) dy. =$$



$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2\pi i k y} f(y) dy = F(k).$$



Step 3

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$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} f(x-n) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} F(k) e^{2\pi i k x}$$

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Poisson Summation Formula