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Digital Signal Processing

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Frequency Spectrum

Sums of Sinusoids

- We have seen that adding two sinusoids with the same frequency results in another sinusoid with the same frequency.
- Consider adding sinusoids with different frequencies:

$$x(t) = A_0 + \sum_{k=1}^N A_k \cos(2\pi f_k t + \phi_k)$$

Sum in Phasor Form

- Can also express sum as:

$$x(t) = A_0 + \sum_{k=1}^N \Re \left\{ \underbrace{A_k e^{j\phi_k}}_{\text{phasor } X_k} e^{j2\pi f_k t} \right\}$$

- Or via Euler:

$$x(t) = X_0 + \sum_{k=1}^N \left\{ \frac{X_k}{2} e^{j2\pi f_k t} + \frac{X_k^*}{2} e^{-j2\pi f_k t} \right\}$$

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Positive and Negative Freqs

- Interpret sinusoidal sum as two-sided, with pairs of rotating phasors, one positive frequency f_k and one negative frequency $-f_k$

$$\frac{X_k}{2} e^{j2\pi f_k t} \text{ rotates counter clockwise}$$

$$\frac{X_k^*}{2} e^{-j2\pi f_k t} \text{ rotates clockwise}$$

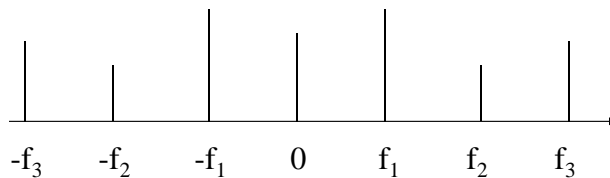
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Frequency Domain Representation

- Represent $x(t)$ in *frequency domain* using mag&phase @ f .

$$(X_0, 0), \left(\frac{1}{2} X_1, f_1\right), \left(\frac{1}{2} X_1^*, -f_1\right), \left(\frac{1}{2} X_2, f_2\right), \left(\frac{1}{2} X_2^*, -f_2\right), \dots$$



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Products of Sinusoids

- The sum of two sinusoids contains only those two sinusoidal frequencies. What about *multiplying* two sinusoids?

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= \cos(\omega_0 t) \cos(\omega_1 t) \\ &= \left(\frac{e^{j\omega_0 t} + e^{-j\omega_0 t}}{2} \right) \left(\frac{e^{j\omega_1 t} + e^{-j\omega_1 t}}{2} \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{e^{j(\omega_0 + \omega_1)t} + e^{-j(\omega_0 + \omega_1)t} + e^{j(\omega_0 - \omega_1)t} + e^{-j(\omega_0 - \omega_1)t}}{4} \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{e^{j(\omega_0 + \omega_1)t} + e^{-j(\omega_0 + \omega_1)t}}{4} \right) + \left(\frac{e^{j(\omega_0 - \omega_1)t} + e^{-j(\omega_0 - \omega_1)t}}{4} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cos(\omega_0 + \omega_1)t + \frac{1}{2} \cos(\omega_0 - \omega_1)t \end{aligned}$$

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Product (cont.)

- Note that the product can be expressed as *frequency sum* and *frequency difference* components.
- Or conversely, a pair of frequency components can be expressed as a *product*, as in amplitude modulation.

Periodic Waveforms

- Periodic complicated waveforms can be expressed as *harmonic sums*.

$$x(t) = A_0 + \sum_{k=1}^N A_k \cos(2\pi \cdot kf_0 \cdot t + \phi_k), \quad kf_0 = f_k$$

- The *period* of the signal is $T_0 = 1/f_0$. This is called the *fundamental frequency* or *fundamental period*.

Fourier Analysis

- What if we have a periodic signal and we want to figure out the X_k values (magnitude and phase)?

$$X_k = \frac{2}{T_0} \int_0^{T_0} x(t) e^{-j2\pi kt/T_0} dt, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots$$

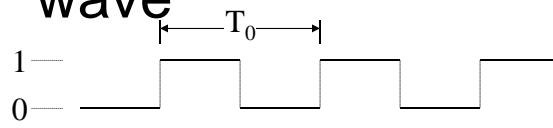
$$X_0 = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_0^{T_0} x(t) dt$$

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Fourier example: square wave

$$x(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq t < T_0/2 \\ 0, & T_0/2 \leq t < T_0 \end{cases}$$



$$X_k = \frac{2}{T_0} \int_0^{T_0/2} 1 e^{-j2\pi kt/T_0} dt; \text{ and for } k=0 \quad X_0 = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_0^{T_0/2} 1 dt = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \frac{2}{T_0} \left(\frac{e^{-j2\pi kt/T_0}}{-j2\pi k/T_0} \right) \Bigg|_0^{T_0/2}$$

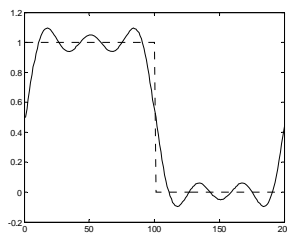
$$= \frac{e^{-j\pi k} - 1}{-j\pi k} = \frac{1 - e^{-j\pi k}}{j\pi k} = \begin{cases} 0, & k \text{ even} \\ \frac{2}{j\pi k}, & k \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

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Square wave (cont.)

- Note: only odd harmonics are present
- Note: harmonics decline as $1/k$
- Note: phase from $1/j = -j$ implies $-\pi/2$, and $\sin(\theta) = \cos(\theta - \pi/2)$



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Time-varying Amp and Freq

- What if we allow amplitude and frequency to vary as functions of time?

$$x(t) = A_0(t) + \sum_{k=1}^N A_k(t) \cos(\psi(t))$$

- The *instantaneous frequency* is the time derivative of the phase function $\psi(t)$:

$$\omega_i(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \psi(t)$$

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Time varying (cont.)

- Instantaneous frequency is the slope of the phase function
- Example: constant frequency

$$\omega_i(t) = \frac{d}{dt}(\omega_0 t + \phi) = \omega_0$$

- Example: linearly increasing frequency

$$\omega_i(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{a}{2} \omega_0 t^2 + \omega_0 t + \phi \right) = \omega_0 (1 + a \cdot t)$$

Time Varying (cont.)

- Since amplitude and frequency vary with time, we want to estimate *short-time* spectrum.
- Concept: perform a series of Fourier “snap shots” for short segments of the signal
- This is known as a short-time Fourier transform, or a *spectrogram*

An aside: musical frequencies

- Music is often based on harmonic signals with nice “consonant” relationships
- Western music uses an *octave* (factor of 2) basis with a *scale* of 12 notes per octave.
- Modern music has an equal-tempered scale such that adjacent notes have the same frequency ratio: $r = 2^{1/12} = 1.059463$
(note m in the scale has $f_m = f_0 * 2^{m/12}$)

Musical Scale

