

Digital Signal Processing DSP

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Lecture 6

The Discrete Fourier Transform

The spectrum of a sampled function is given by

$$\begin{aligned} X_s(\Omega) &= X(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n]e^{-jn\Omega T} \\ &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n]e^{-j\omega n} \end{aligned}$$

where $-\pi < \omega < \pi$ or $0 < \omega < 2\pi$.

Since it *impossible* to carry-out the summation from $n=-\infty$ to ∞ , let us consider a *truncated* version of $x[n]$:

$$\tilde{x}[n] = \begin{cases} x[n] & (0 \leq n < N-1), \\ 0 & (\text{elsewhere}). \end{cases}$$

The corresponding Fourier transform is

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{X}(e^{j\omega}) &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{x}[n]e^{-j\omega n} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n]e^{-j\omega n}.\end{aligned}$$

Now let us choose ***N frequency points*** from $\omega = 0$ to 2π :

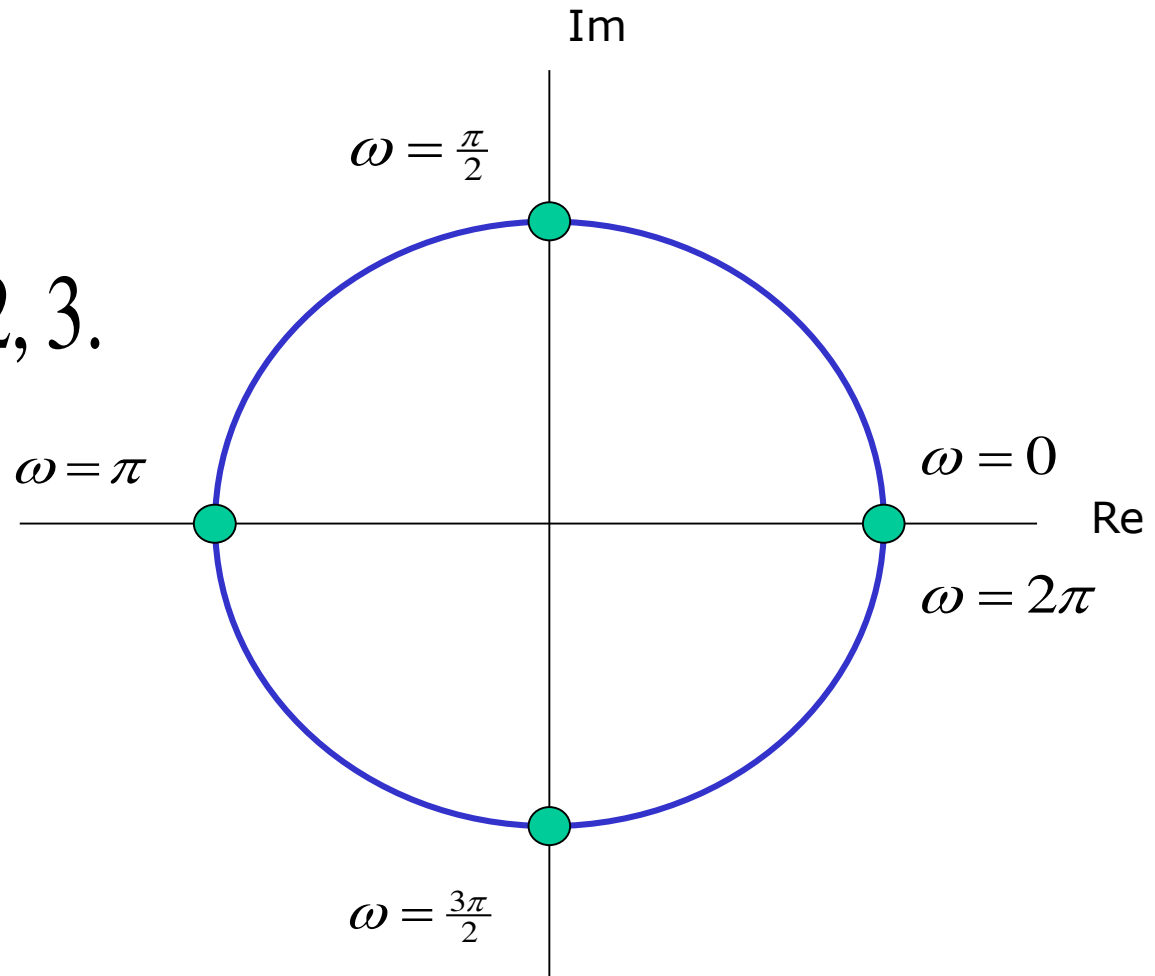
$$\omega = 2\pi \frac{k}{N} \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1.$$

When plugged into $e^{j\omega}$, these values correspond to points along the unit circle.

As an example, if $N = 4$, we have

$$\omega = 2\pi \frac{k}{4} \quad k = 0, 1, 2, 3.$$

$$\omega = 0, \frac{\pi}{2}, \pi, \frac{3\pi}{2}.$$



When we insert $\omega = 2\pi \frac{k}{N}$ into

$$\tilde{X}(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n]e^{-j\omega n}$$

we get

$$X[k] = \tilde{X}(e^{j\omega}) \Big|_{\omega=2\pi \frac{k}{N}} = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n]e^{-j2\pi \frac{nk}{N}}.$$

This function of **k** is the definition of the discrete Fourier transform.

$$X[k] = \text{DFT}\{x[n]\} \equiv \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n]e^{-j2\pi \frac{nk}{N}}.$$

Example: Find the discrete Fourier transform of $x[n]=1$, for $N=4$.

Solution: as before, we have only four time samples and four frequency samples. The values of the time samples are 1 1 1 1 (for $n=0, 1, 2, 3$). Inserting these values into the DFT definition, we have

$$X[k] = \text{DFT}\{1\} = \sum_{n=0}^3 (1)e^{-j2\pi \frac{nk}{4}}$$

$$= (1)e^{-j2\pi \frac{0k}{4}} + (1)e^{-j2\pi \frac{1k}{4}} + (1)e^{-j2\pi \frac{2k}{4}} + (1)e^{-j2\pi \frac{3k}{4}}$$

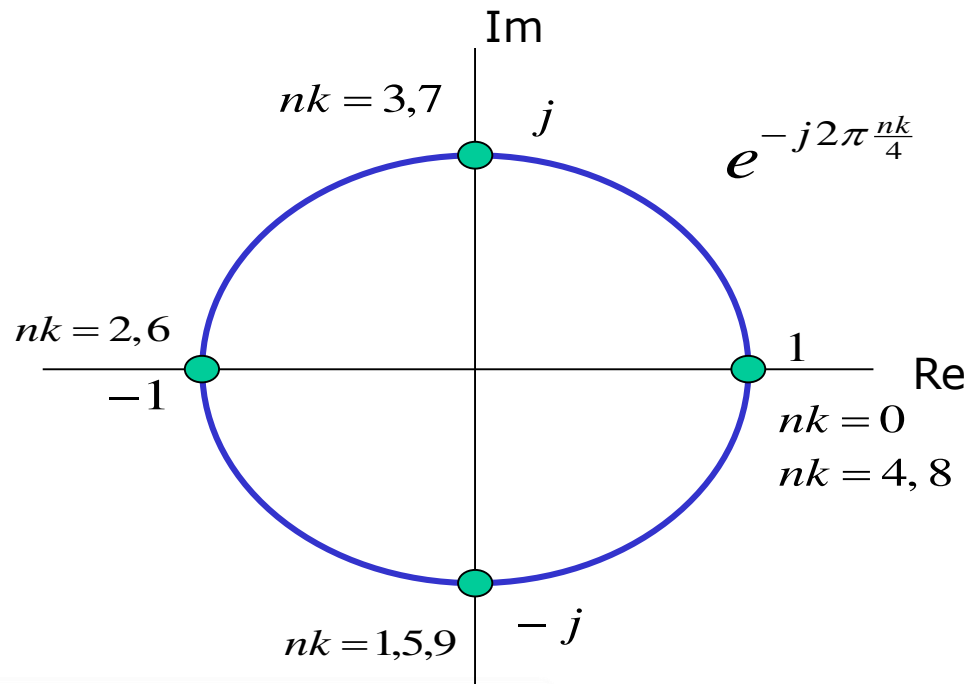
$$= 1 + e^{-j2\pi \frac{k}{4}} + e^{-j2\pi \frac{2k}{4}} + e^{-j2\pi \frac{3k}{4}}.$$

This result *is* dependent upon k .

$$X(0) = 1 + e^{-j2\pi\frac{0}{4}} + e^{-j2\pi\frac{2(0)}{4}} + e^{-j2\pi\frac{3(0)}{4}}$$

$$= 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 = 4.$$

To perform the rest of the calculations, it is good to have our circle of value of $e^{-j2\pi nk/4}$



$$\begin{aligned}X(1) &= 1 + e^{-j2\pi\frac{1}{4}} + e^{-j2\pi\frac{2(1)}{4}} + e^{-j2\pi\frac{3(1)}{4}} \\&= 1 - j + (-1) + j = 0.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}X(2) &= 1 + e^{-j2\pi\frac{2}{4}} + e^{-j2\pi\frac{2(2)}{4}} + e^{-j2\pi\frac{3(2)}{4}} \\&= 1 + (-1) + 1 + (-1) = 0.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}X(3) &= 1 + e^{-j2\pi\frac{3}{4}} + e^{-j2\pi\frac{2(3)}{4}} + e^{-j2\pi\frac{3(3)}{4}} \\&= 1 + j + (-1) - j = 0.\end{aligned}$$

The previous example suggests that the discrete Fourier transform can be calculated using a matrix equation:

$$X(0) = 1 + e^{-j2\pi\frac{0}{4}} + e^{-j2\pi\frac{2(0)}{4}} + e^{-j2\pi\frac{3(0)}{4}}.$$

$$X(1) = 1 + e^{-j2\pi\frac{1}{4}} + e^{-j2\pi\frac{2(1)}{4}} + e^{-j2\pi\frac{3(1)}{4}}.$$

$$X(2) = 1 + e^{-j2\pi\frac{2}{4}} + e^{-j2\pi\frac{2(2)}{4}} + e^{-j2\pi\frac{3(2)}{4}}.$$

$$X(3) = 1 + e^{-j2\pi\frac{3}{4}} + e^{-j2\pi\frac{2(3)}{4}} + e^{-j2\pi\frac{3(3)}{4}}.$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} X[0] \\ X[1] \\ X[2] \\ X[3] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -j & -1 & j \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & j & -1 & -j \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x[0] \\ x[1] \\ x[2] \\ x[3] \end{bmatrix}.$$



For the previous examples we have $x[n]=1$

$$\begin{bmatrix} X[0] \\ X[1] \\ X[2] \\ X[3] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -j & -1 & j \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & j & -1 & -j \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Fourier transform of a constant is an impulse in frequency domain (just a D.C. component).

Suppose that we found the DFT of $x[n] = \{1 \ -1 \ 1 \ -1\}$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} X[0] \\ X[1] \\ X[2] \\ X[3] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -j & -1 & j \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & j & -1 & -j \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We get the Fourier transform of a sinewave at half the sampling frequency: $k=2$ (for $N = 4$) corresponds to $\omega=\pi$, or $\Omega=\Omega_s/2$.

In general we have

$$\frac{k}{N} = \frac{\Omega}{\Omega_s}.$$

Example: Suppose we sample a 2 kHz sinewave at 8000 samples/second. If we perform a 1024-point DFT, where are the spikes in the transform?

Solution:
$$\frac{k}{1024} = \frac{2}{8} \Rightarrow k = 256.$$

There will *also* be a spike at $k=1024-256=768$.

Example: Suppose we sample a sinewave at 16000 samples/second. After performing a 2048-point DFT, we have frequency spikes at $k=128$ and $k = 1920$. Find the frequency of the sinewave.

Solution:
$$\frac{128}{2048} = \frac{f}{16000} \Rightarrow f = 1000\text{Hz}.$$

Inverse of DFT

$$x[n] = \text{IDFT} \{X[K]\} = (1/N) \sum_{K=0}^{N-1} X[K] e^{j2\pi \frac{nk}{N}}.$$

Using MATLAB to Calculate DFT

Example:

- Assume $N=4$
- $x[n]=[1,2,3,4]$
- $n=0,\dots,3$
- Find $X[k]$; $k=0,\dots,3$

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1 - N=4;
2 - x=[1,2,3,4]
3 - for k1=1:N
4 -     X(k1)=0;
5 -     k=k1-1;
6 -     for n1=1:N;
7 -         n=n1-1;
8 -         X(k1)=X(k1)+x(n1)*exp(-j*2*pi*k*n/N);
9 -     end
10 - end
11 - x
12 - X

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X =
    10.0000    -2.0000 + 2.0000i    -2.0000 - 0.0000i    -2.0000 - 2.0000i

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$$X[k] = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] e^{-j2\pi \frac{nk}{N}}.$$

DFT Properties

Linearity

$$\alpha x[n] + \beta y[n] \xleftrightarrow[N]{\text{DFT}} \alpha X[k] + \beta Y[k]$$

Time Shifting

$$x[n - n_0] \xleftrightarrow[N]{\text{DFT}} X[k] e^{-j2\pi k n_0 / N}$$

Frequency Shifting

$$x[n] e^{j2\pi k_0 n / N} \xleftrightarrow[N]{\text{DFT}} X[k - k_0]$$

Time Reversal

$$x[-n] = x[N - n] \xleftrightarrow[N]{\text{DFT}} X[-k] = X[N - k]$$

Conjugation

$$x^*[n] \xleftrightarrow[N]{\text{DFT}} X^*[-k] = X^*[N - k]$$

$\vdots$

$$x^*[-n] = x^*[N - n] \xleftrightarrow[N]{\text{DFT}} X^*[k]$$

Time Scaling

$$z[n] = \begin{cases} x[n/m] & , n/m \text{ an integer} \\ 0 & , \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$\vdots$

$$N \rightarrow mN, \quad Z[k] = (1/m) X[k]$$

DFT Properties

Change of Period

$N \rightarrow qN, q$ a positive integer

$\vdots$

$$X_q[k] = \begin{cases} X[k/q] & , k/q \text{ an integer} \\ 0 & , \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Multiplication - Convolution Duality

$$x[n]y[n] \xleftrightarrow[N]{\text{DFT}} (1/N) Y[k] \otimes X[k]$$

$\vdots$

$$X[n] \otimes Y[n] \xleftrightarrow[N]{\text{DFT}} Y[k]X[k]$$

$\vdots$

$$\text{where } x[n] \otimes y[n] = \sum_{m=\langle N \rangle} x[m]y[n-m]$$

Parseval's Theorem

$$\sum_{n=\langle N \rangle} |x[n]|^2 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=\langle N \rangle} |X[k]|^2$$

Example of DFT

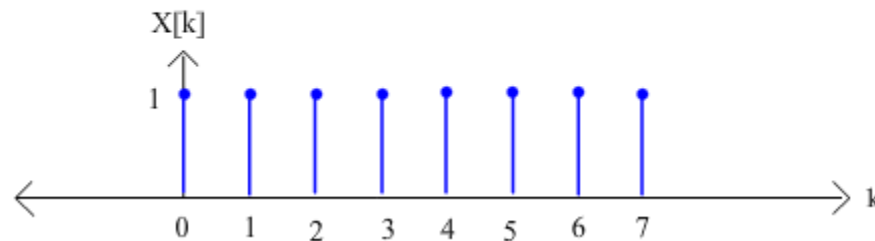
$$x[n] = \begin{cases} 1, & n = 0 \\ 0, & n = 1, \dots, 7 \end{cases}$$

Find $X[k]$

$$W_N^{kn} = e^{-j\left(\frac{2\pi kn}{N}\right)}$$

- We know $k=1, \dots, 7$; $N=8$

$$X[k] = \sum_{n=0}^7 x[n] W_N^{kn} = \sum_{n=0}^7 \delta[n] W_N^{kn} = 1, \forall k$$



Example of DFT

Given $y[n] = \delta[n - 2]$ and $N = 8$, find $Y[k]$.

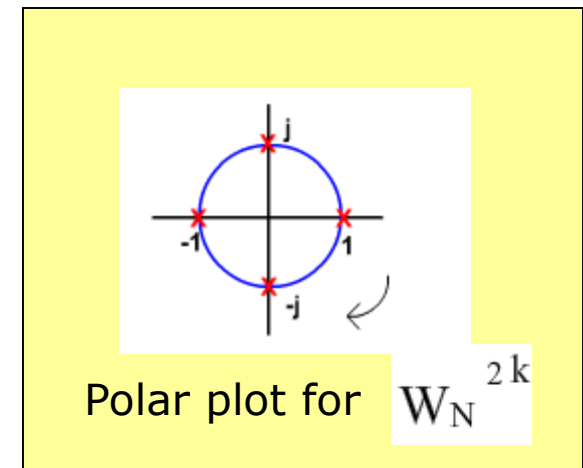
$$Y[k] = \sum_{n=0}^7 \delta[n-2] W_N^{kn} = W_N^{2k} = e^{\frac{-j2\pi 2k}{N}} = e^{\frac{-j\pi k}{2}}$$

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because $N = 8$

$$= (-j)^k$$

$$Y[k] = [1, -j, -1, j, 1, -j, -1, j]$$

$$x[n-n_0] \longleftrightarrow W_N^{n_0 k} X[k]$$



Time shift Property of DFT

$$x[n - n_0]_{\text{mod } N} \leftrightarrow W_N^{kn_0} X[k]$$

Example of DFT

Given $x[n] = \delta[n] + 2\delta[n-1] + 3\delta[n-2] + \delta[n-3]$ and $N = 4$, find $X[k]$.

Summation for $X[k]$

$$X[k] = \sum_{n=0}^3 x[n] W_4^{kn} = 1 + 2W_4^k + 3W_4^{2k} + W_4^{3k}$$

$$W_4 = e^{\frac{-j\pi}{2}}$$

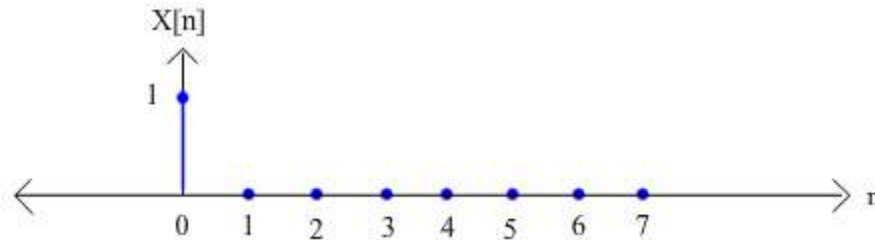
$$X[k] = 1 + 2e^{\frac{-j\pi k}{2}} + 3e^{-j\pi k} + e^{\frac{-j3\pi k}{2}}$$

Using the shift property!

Example of IDFT

Find the IDFT of $X[k] = 1, k = 0, 1, \dots, 7$.

$$x[n] = \frac{1}{8} \sum_{k=0}^7 W_N^{-kn} = \frac{1}{8} N \delta[n] = \delta[n]$$



Remember:

$$x[n] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X[k] W_N^{-kn}, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$$