

## Fourier Transform

Fourier transform pair

Fourier transform of  $f(x)$  is defined as,

$$F[f(x)] = F(s) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{isx} dx \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

Inverse Fourier transform

Inverse Fourier transform is defined as,

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F[s] e^{isx} ds \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

Equation  $\textcircled{1}$  &  $\textcircled{2}$  Together known as Fourier Transform pair

Parseval Identity

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

Note

1.  $e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$
2.  $e^{-i\theta} = \cos \theta - i \sin \theta$
3.  $\sin^2 \theta = \frac{1 - \cos 2\theta}{2}$

1. Find the Fourier transform of  $f(x) = \begin{cases} a - |x|, & |x| < a \\ 0, & |x| > a \end{cases}$   
Hence deduce that
- i)  $\int_0^{\infty} \left[ \frac{\sin t}{t} \right]^2 dt = \frac{\pi}{2}$
  - ii)  $\int_0^{\infty} \left[ \frac{\sin t}{t} \right]^4 dt = \frac{\pi}{3}$

Sol

$$\begin{aligned} F[f(x)] &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{isx} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-a}^a [a - |x|] e^{isx} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-a}^a [a - |x|] (\cos sx + i \sin sx) dx \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[ \int_{-a}^a [a-|x|] \cos sx \, dx + \int_{-a}^a [a-|x|] i \sin sx \, dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^a (a-x) \cos sx$$

$$u = a - x$$

$$v = \cos sx$$

$$u' = 0 - 1$$

$$v_1 = \frac{\sin sx}{s}$$

$$u'' = 0$$

$$v_2 = -\frac{\cos sx}{s^2}$$

$$F[f(x)] = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[ (a-x) \frac{\sin sx}{s} - \frac{\cos sx}{s^2} \right]_0^a$$

$$= \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[ \frac{\cos sa}{s^2} \right]_0^a$$

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

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

Using Inverse Fourier transform

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(s) e^{-isx} \, ds$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-a}^a \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left( \frac{1 - \cos sa}{s^2} \right) e^{-isx} \, ds$$

$$= \frac{2}{2\pi} \int_{-a}^a \frac{1 - \cos sa}{s^2} (\cos sx - i \sin sx) \, ds$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-a}^a \frac{1 - \cos sa}{s^2} \cos sx$$

$$= \int_{-a}^a \frac{1 - \cos sa}{s^2} i \sin sx$$

$$a-|x| = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^a \left( \frac{1 - \cos sa}{s^2} \right) \cos sx \, ds$$

Put  $a = \pi$ ,  $s = t$ ,  $x = 0$

$$2 - 0 = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\alpha} \frac{1 - \cos 2t}{t^2} dt$$

$$2 = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\alpha} \frac{2 \sin^2 t}{t^2} dt \quad \sin^2 \theta = \frac{1 - \cos 2\theta}{2}$$

$$1 = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\alpha} \frac{\sin^2 t}{t^2} dt$$

$$\int_0^{\alpha} \left(\frac{\sin t}{t}\right)^2 dt = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

ii) Using Parseval's identity

$$\int_{-a}^a [f(s)]^2 ds = \int_{-a}^a [f(x)]^2 dx$$

$$\int_{-a}^a \left[ \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \frac{1 - \cos sa}{s^2} \right]^2 ds = \int_{-a}^a [a - |x|]^2 dx$$

$$\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^a \left[ \frac{1 - \cos sa}{s^2} \right]^2 ds = 2 \int_0^a (a - x)^2 dx$$

Put  $a=2, s=t$

$$\frac{4}{\pi} \int_0^{\alpha} \left[ \frac{1 - \cos 2t}{t^2} \right]^2 dt = 2 \int_0^2 (2 - x)^2 dx$$

$$\frac{4}{\pi} \int_0^{\alpha} \left( \frac{2 \sin^2 t}{t^2} \right)^2 dt = 2 \left[ \frac{(2-x)^3}{-3} \right]_0^2$$

$$\frac{16}{\pi} \int_0^{\alpha} \frac{\sin^4 t}{t^4} dt = \frac{-2}{3} (0 - 8)$$

$$\frac{16}{\pi} \int_0^{\alpha} \left[ \frac{\sin t}{t} \right]^4 dt = \frac{16}{3}$$

$$\int_0^{\alpha} \left( \frac{\sin t}{t} \right)^4 dt = \frac{\pi}{3}$$