

PLANCHEREL'S FORMULA

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(x)|^2 dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\hat{f}(\omega)|^2 d\omega.$$

How to obtain the formula as $L \rightarrow \infty$.

Start from

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{i \frac{n\pi x}{L}}, \quad c_n = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) e^{-i \frac{n\pi x}{L}} dx$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i \frac{n\pi x}{L}} \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(y) e^{-i \frac{n\pi y}{L}} dy \quad (*)$$

Introduce the "new" function

$$\hat{f}(\omega) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(y) e^{-i\omega y} dy$$

At $\omega = \frac{n\pi}{L}$, $n=0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$, we have

$$\sqrt{2\pi} \hat{f}\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(y) e^{-\frac{in\pi}{L}y} dy$$

$$\approx \int_{-L}^L f(y) e^{-\frac{in\pi}{L}y} dy$$

Insert this into (*).

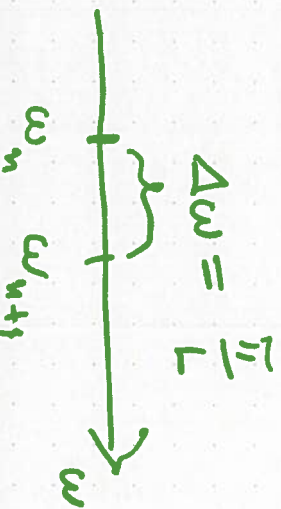
$$f(x) \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i\frac{n\pi x}{L}} \hat{f}\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right) \cdot \frac{\pi}{L}$$

RIEMANN SUM OF AN INTEGRAL.

Notation:

$$\omega_n = \frac{n\pi}{L}, \quad \Delta\omega = \omega_{n+1} - \omega_n = \frac{\pi}{L}$$

$$f(x) \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i\omega_n x} \hat{f}(\omega_n) \Delta\omega$$



L very large,
 $f(y)$ rapidly
 decaying
 as $y \rightarrow \pm\infty$.

$$\xrightarrow{L \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(\omega) e^{i\omega x} d\omega$$

[Definition of
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Riemann sums.]

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We deduced
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$$(2) \quad f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(\omega) e^{i\omega x} d\omega$$

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EX: $\mathcal{F}\{e^{-b|x|}\} = e^{-b|x|} \quad (b > 0)$

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$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-bx} (e^{i\omega x} + e^{-i\omega x}) dx \quad (b-i\omega)(b+i\omega)$$

$$= b^2 + \omega^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{x(i\omega-b)} + e^{-x(i\omega+b)}}{i\omega-b} + \frac{e^{-x(i\omega+b)}}{-i\omega-b}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[\frac{-1}{-b+i\omega} + \frac{-1}{-b-i\omega} \right] = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \frac{b}{\omega^2 + b^2}$$

OBS! $|e^{-x_b \pm i\omega x}| = |e^{-x_b} e^{\pm i\omega x}| = e^{-x_b} |e^{\pm i\omega x}|$

$= e^{-x_b} = 1$

Inverse

$$e^{-b|x|} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{b e^{+i\omega x}}{\omega^2 + b^2} d\omega \quad \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow \infty} 0 \quad (b > 0)$$

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RULES

LINEARITY:

$$a f(x) + b g(x) = a \widehat{f(x)} + b \widehat{g(x)}$$

$$\mathcal{F}\{a f(x) + b g(x)\} = a \widehat{f(\omega)} + b \widehat{g(\omega)}$$

DIFFERENTIAL:

$$\mathcal{F}\{f'(x)\} = i\omega \widehat{f(\omega)}$$

$$\mathcal{F}\{f''(x)\} = -\omega^2 \widehat{f(\omega)}$$

Proof: $\mathcal{F}\{f'(x)\} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\omega x} \underbrace{f'(x)}_{df(x)} dx$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\omega x} f(x) + i\omega \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\omega x} f(x) dx$$

Assume decay:
 $= 0 [f(\pm\infty) = 0]$

$\widehat{f(\omega)}$

$$= i\omega \mathcal{F}\{f(x)\} \quad \square$$

See "Convolution (of Signals)" homepage for a picture.

CONVOLUTION:



DEF. $(f * g)(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x-y) g(y) dy$

$$f * g = g * f$$

$$(f * g) * h = f * (g * h)$$

Proof of $\widehat{f * g} = \sqrt{2\pi} \widehat{f} \cdot \widehat{g}$.

$$\mathcal{F}\{(f * g)(x)\} \stackrel{\text{DEF.}}{=} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (f * g)(x) e^{-i\omega x} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x-y) g(y) dy e^{-i\omega x} dx$$

Def. of *

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(y) \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x-y) e^{-i\omega x} dx \right) dy$$

$\underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x-y) e^{-i\omega x} dx}_{\sqrt{2\pi} e^{i\omega y} \hat{f}(\omega)}$

Inner integral

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x-y) e^{-i\omega x} dx$$

Subst

$$\begin{aligned} z &= x - y \\ dz &= dx \end{aligned}$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(z) e^{-i\omega z} e^{-i\omega y} dz$$

$$= e^{i\omega y} \sqrt{2\pi} \hat{f}(\omega)$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(y) e^{-i\omega y} dy \cdot \hat{f}(\omega) = \sqrt{2\pi} \hat{g}(\omega) \hat{f}(\omega) \quad \square$$

Important: $e^{-ax^2} = ? \quad a > 0$

GAUSSIAN [K.F. GAUß 1777-1855]

The Fourier transform is again a Gaussian.

$$\boxed{e^{-ax^2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4a}} e^{-\frac{\omega^2}{4a}} \quad (a > 0)}$$

The formula is very appealing for $a = \frac{1}{2}$.

Recall $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx = \sqrt{\pi}$.

See homepage, "Fourier transformation of Gaussian distribution."