

# Biomedical Imaging Systems Theory

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The Fourier Transform:

$$F(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)e^{-j2\pi sx} dx$$

The Inverse Fourier Transform:

$$f(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(s)e^{j2\pi sx} ds$$

## Symmetry Properties:

If  $g(x)$  is real valued, then  $G(s)$  is Hermitian:

$$G(-s) = G^*(s)$$

If  $g(x)$  is imaginary valued, then  $G(s)$  is Anti-Hermitian:

$$G(-s) = -G^*(s)$$

In general:

$$g(x) = e(x) + o(x) = e_R(x) + ie_I(x) + o_R(x) + io_I(x)$$

$$G(s) = E(s) + O(s) = E_R(s) + iE_I(s) + iO_I(s) + O_R(s)$$

## Convolution:

$$(g * h)(x) \triangleq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(\xi)h(x - \xi)d\xi$$

**Autocorrelation:** Let  $g(x)$  be a function satisfying  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |g(x)|^2 dx < \infty$  (finite energy) then

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_g(x) \triangleq (g \star g^*)(x) &\triangleq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(\xi)g^*(\xi - x)d\xi \\ &= g(x) * g^*(-x) \end{aligned}$$

**Cross correlation:** Let  $g(x)$  and  $h(x)$  be functions with finite energy. Then

$$\begin{aligned} (g \star h^*)(x) &\triangleq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(\xi + x)h^*(\xi)d\xi \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(\xi)h^*(\xi - x)d\xi \\ &= (h \star g^*)^*(-x) \end{aligned}$$

## The Delta Function: $\delta(x)$

- Scaling:  $\delta(ax) = \frac{1}{|a|}\delta(x)$
- Sifting:  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x - a)f(x)dx = f(a)$   
 $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x)f(x + a)dx = f(a)$

- Convolution:  $\delta(x) * f(x) = f(x)$

- Product:  $h(x)\delta(x) = h(0)\delta(x)$

- $\delta^2(x)$  - no meaning

- $\delta(x) * \delta(x) = \delta(x)$

- Fourier Transform of  $\delta(x)$ :  $\mathcal{F}\{\delta(x)\} = 1$

- Derivatives:

- $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta^{(n)}(x)f(x)dx = (-1)^n f^{(n)}(0)$

- $\delta'(x) * f(x) = f'(x)$

- $x\delta(x) = 0$

- $x\delta'(x) = -\delta(x)$

- Meaning of  $\delta[h(x)]$ :

$$\delta[h(x)] = \sum_i \frac{\delta(x - x_i)}{|h'(x_i)|}$$

## The comb function

- Sampling:  $\text{comb}(x)g(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} g(n)\delta(x - n)$

- Replication:  $\text{comb}(x) * g(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} g(x - n)$

- Fourier Transform:  $\mathcal{F}\{\text{comb}(x)\} = \text{comb}(s)$

- Scaling:  $\text{comb}(ax) = \sum \delta(ax - n) = \frac{1}{|a|} \sum \delta(x - \frac{n}{a})$

## Even and Odd Impulse Pairs

Even:  $\delta\delta(x) = \delta(x + 1) + \delta(x - 1)$

Odd:  $\delta\delta(x) = \delta(x + 1) - \delta(x - 1)$

Fourier Transforms:  $\mathcal{F}\{\frac{1}{2}\delta\delta(x)\} = \cos 2\pi s$

$\mathcal{F}\{\frac{1}{2}\delta\delta(x)\} = j \sin 2\pi s$

## Fourier Transform Theorems

- Linearity:  $\mathcal{F}\{\alpha f(x) + \beta g(x)\} = \alpha F(s) + \beta G(s)$

- Similarity:  $\mathcal{F}\{g(ax)\} = \frac{1}{|a|}G(\frac{s}{a})$

- Shift:  $\mathcal{F}\{g(x - a)\} = e^{-j2\pi as}G(s)$

$$\mathcal{F}\{g(ax - b)\} = \frac{1}{|a|}e^{-j2\pi s\frac{b}{a}}G(\frac{s}{a})$$

- Rayleigh's:  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |g(x)|^2 dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |G(s)|^2 ds$

- Power:  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)g^*(x)dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(s)G^*(s)ds$

- Modulation:

$$\mathcal{F}\{g(x)\cos(2\pi s_0 x)\} = \frac{1}{2}[G(s - s_0) + G(s + s_0)]$$

• Convolution:  $\mathcal{F}\{f * g\} = F(s)G(s)$

If such a system is shift-invariant, then:

• Autocorrelation:  $\mathcal{F}\{g \star g^*\} = |G(s)|^2$

$$w(t - \tau) = \mathcal{S}[v(t - \tau)]$$

• Cross Correlation:  $\mathcal{F}\{f \star g^*\} = F(s)G^*(s)$  and

• Derivative:

$$w(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} v(\tau)h(t - \tau)d\tau = (v * h)(t)$$

$$- \mathcal{F}\{g'(x)\} = j2\pi sG(s)$$

$$- \mathcal{F}\{g^{(n)}(x)\} = (j2\pi s)^n G(s)$$

$$- \mathcal{F}\{x^n g(x)\} = \left(\frac{j}{2\pi}\right)^n G^{(n)}(s)$$

• Fourier Integral: If  $g(x)$  is of bounded variation and is absolutely integrable, then

The eigenfunctions of any linear shift-invariant system are  $e^{j2\pi f_0 t}$ , since for a system with transfer function  $H(s)$ , the response to an input of  $v(t) = e^{j2\pi f_0 t}$  is given by:  $w(t) = H(f_0)e^{j2\pi f_0 t}$ .

$$\mathcal{F}^{-1}\{\mathcal{F}\{g(x)\}\} = \frac{1}{2}[g(x^+) + g(x^-)]$$

### Sampling Theory

• Moments:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)dx = F(0)$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x)dx = \frac{j}{2\pi} F'(0)$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^n f(x)dx = \left(\frac{j}{2\pi}\right)^n F^{(n)}(0)$$

$$\hat{g}(x) = \frac{1}{X} \text{comb}\left(\frac{x}{X}\right)g(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} g(nX)\delta(x - nX)$$

$$\hat{G}(s) = \text{comb}(Xs) * G(s) = \frac{1}{X} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} G\left(s - \frac{n}{X}\right)$$

• Miscellaneous:

If  $\mathcal{F}\{g(x)\} = G(s)$  then  $\mathcal{F}\{G(x)\} = g(-s)$   
and  $\mathcal{F}\{g^*(x)\} = G^*(-s)$

Whittaker-Shannon-Kotelnikov Theorem: For a bandlimited function  $g(x)$  with cutoff frequencies  $\pm s_c$ , and with no discrete sinusoidal components at frequency  $s_c$ ,

$$\mathcal{F}\left\{\int_{-\infty}^x g(\xi)d\xi\right\} = \frac{1}{2}G(0)\delta(s) + \frac{G(s)}{j2\pi s}$$

$$g(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} g\left(\frac{n}{2s_c}\right)\text{sinc}\left[2s_c\left(x - \frac{n}{2s_c}\right)\right]$$

### Central Limit Theorem

Given a function  $f(x)$ , if  $F(s)$  has a single absolute maximum at  $s = 0$ ; and, for sufficiently small  $|s|$ ,  $F(s) \approx a - cs^2$  where  $0 < a < \infty$  and  $0 < c < \infty$ , then:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{[\sqrt{n}f(\sqrt{n}x)]^{*n}}{a^n} = \sqrt{\frac{\pi a}{2}} e^{-\frac{\pi a}{c}x^2}$$

and

$$[f(x)]^{*n} \approx \frac{a^{n+\frac{1}{2}}}{n^{\frac{1}{2}}} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{c}} e^{-\frac{\pi a}{cn}x^2}$$

### Linear Systems

For a linear system  $w(t) = \mathcal{S}[v(t)]$  with response  $h(t, \tau)$  where to a unit impulse at shift  $\tau$ :

$$\mathcal{S}[\alpha v_1(t) + \beta v_2(t)] = \alpha \mathcal{S}[v_1(t)] + \beta \mathcal{S}[v_2(t)]$$

$$w(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} v(\tau)h(t, \tau)d\tau$$

### Fourier Transforms for Periodic Functions

For a function  $p(x)$  with period  $L$ , let  $f(x) = p(x)\text{rect}\left(\frac{x}{L}\right)$ . Then

$$p(x) = f(x) * \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x - nL)$$

$$P(s) = \frac{1}{L} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} F\left(\frac{n}{L}\right)\delta\left(s - \frac{n}{L}\right)$$

The complex Fourier series representation:

$$p(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{j2\pi \frac{n}{L}x}$$

$$c_n = \frac{1}{L} F\left(\frac{n}{L}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} p(x) e^{-j2\pi \frac{n}{L}x} dx$$

## The Discrete Fourier Transform

Let  $g(x)$  be a physical process, and let  $f(x) = g(x)$  for  $0 \leq x \leq 2L$ ,  $f(x) = 0$  otherwise. Suppose  $f(x)$  is approximately bandlimited to  $\pm B$  Hz, so we sample  $f(x)$  every  $1/2B$  seconds, obtaining  $N = [4BL]$  samples.

The Discrete Fourier Transform:

$$F_m = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f_n e^{-j \frac{2\pi mn}{N}} \quad \text{for } m = 0, \dots, N-1$$

The Inverse Discrete Fourier Transform:

$$f_n = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} F_m e^{j \frac{2\pi mn}{N}} \quad \text{for } n = 0, \dots, N-1$$

**Convolution:**

$$h_n = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} f_k g_{n-k} \quad \text{for } n = 0, \dots, N-1$$

where  $f, g$  are periodic

**Serial Product:**

$$h_n = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} f_k g_{n-k} \quad \text{for } n = 0, \dots, 2N-2$$

where  $f, g$  are not periodic

## DFT Theorems

- Linearity:  $\mathcal{DFT}\{\alpha f_n + \beta g_n\} = \alpha F_m + \beta G_m$
- Shift:  $\mathcal{DFT}\{f_{n-k}\} = F_m e^{-j \frac{2\pi}{N} km}$  ( $f$  periodic)
- Parseval's:  $\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f_n g_n^* = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} F_m G_m^*$
- Convolution:  $F_m G_m = \mathcal{DFT}\{\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} f_k g_{n-k}\}$

## The Two-Dimensional Fourier Transform

$$F(s_x, s_y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) e^{-j2\pi(s_x x + s_y y)} dx dy$$

The Inverse Two-Dimensional Fourier Transform:

$$f(x, y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(s_x, s_y) e^{j2\pi(s_x x + s_y y)} ds_x ds_y$$

The Hankel Transform (zero order):

$$F(\rho) = 2\pi \int_0^{\infty} f(r) J_0(2\pi r \rho) r dr$$

The Inverse Hankel Transform (zero order):

$$f(r) = 2\pi \int_0^{\infty} F(\rho) J_0(2\pi r \rho) \rho d\rho$$

**Central-Section Theorem:** The 1-D Fourier transform  $G_\theta(s)$  of any projection  $g_\theta(x')$  through  $f(x, y)$  is identical with the 2-D transform  $F(s_x, s_y)$  of  $f(x, y)$ , evaluated

along a slice through the origin in the 2-D frequency domain, the slice being at angle  $\theta$  to the x-axis. i.e.:

$$G_\theta(s) = F(s \cos \theta, s \sin \theta)$$

Reconstruction by  $\rho$  filtering and Backprojection:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) &= \int_0^\pi \mathcal{F}^{-1}\{|\rho| G_\theta(\rho)\} d\theta \\ &= \int_0^\pi \tilde{g}_\theta(x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta) d\theta \end{aligned}$$

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