

Discrete Fourier Transform

Introduction:- For finite-length sequences there is another representation called the Discrete Fourier transform (DFT). The DFT is a mathematical Procedure used to determine the harmonic or freq. content of a discrete signal sequence unlike the DTFT, which is a continuous function of a continuous variable ω , the DFT is a sequence that corresponds to samples of the DTFT. such a representation is very useful for digital computations and for digital hardware implementations.

The DFT is an important decomposition for sequences that are in length. whereas the DTFT is a mapping from a sequence to a function of a continuous variable ω

$$X(n) \xleftrightarrow{\text{DTFT}} X(e^{j\omega})$$

the DFT is a mapping from a sequence $x(n)$ to another sequence $X(K)$

$$x(n) \xleftrightarrow{\text{DFT}} X(K)$$

The sequence $X(K)$ is called the N -Point DFT of $x(n)$. These coefficients are related to $x(n)$ as follows

$$X(K) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n) e^{-j2\pi kn/N} \quad 0 \leq K \leq N$$

Alternatively, the DFT coefficients correspond to N samples of $X(z)$ that are taken at N equally spaced points around the unit circle

$$X(K) = X(z) \Big|_{z = \exp[j2\pi k/N]}$$

Ex Evaluate the DFT of the sequence

$$X(n) = [1, 0, 0, 1] \quad n \geq 0$$

Sol:

$$X(k) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} X(n) e^{-j2\pi kn/N}$$

$$X(k) = \sum_{n=0}^3 X(n) e^{-j2\pi kn/4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} X(0) &= \sum_{n=0}^3 X(n) = X(0) + X(1) + X(2) + X(3) \\ &= 1 + 0 + 0 + 1 \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$X(1) = \sum_{n=0}^3 X(n) e^{-j\frac{\pi}{2}n} = 1 + e^{-j\frac{3\pi}{2}}$$

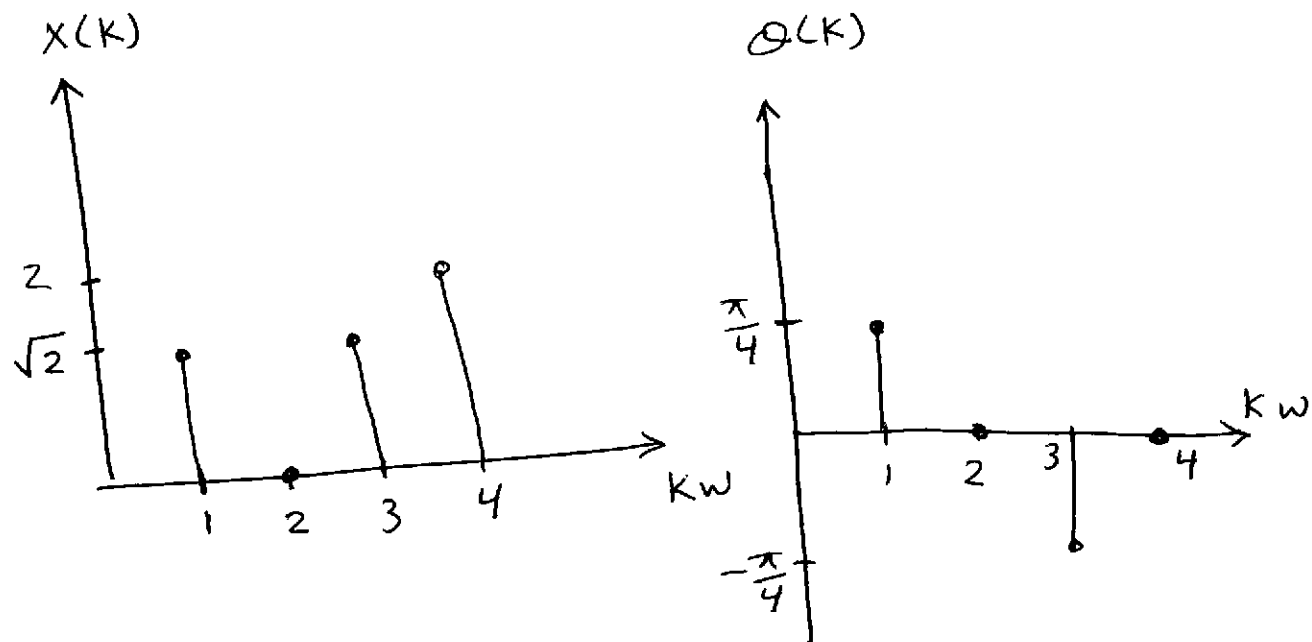
$$= 1 + j$$

$$X(2) = \sum_{n=0}^3 X(n) e^{-j\pi n} = 1 + e^{-j3\pi} = 0$$

$$X(3) = \sum_{n=0}^3 X(n) e^{-j6\pi n/4} = 1 + e^{-j\frac{4}{2}\pi}$$

$$= 1 - j$$

$$X(0)=2, \quad X(1)=\sqrt{2} \angle 45^\circ, \quad X(2)=0, \quad X(3)=\sqrt{2} \angle -45^\circ$$



Inverse Discrete Fourier Transform (IDFT)

Inverse Discrete Fourier transform can be obtained by:-

$$X(n) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} x(k) e^{j2\pi kn/N}$$

Example Evaluate the IDFT of the sequence

$$X[K] = [2, 1+j, 0, 1-j]$$

Sol

$$X(n) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} x(k) e^{j2\pi kn/N}$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^3 x(k) e^{j2\pi kn/4}$$

$$X(0) = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=0}^3 x(k) e^{j2\pi k \cdot 0/4}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} [2 + (1+j) + 0 + (1-j)] = 1$$

$$X(1) = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=0}^3 X(k) e^{j2\pi k/4}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left[2 + (1+j)e^{j\frac{\pi}{2}} + 0 + (1-j)e^{j\frac{3\pi}{2}} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} [2 + j - 1 - j - 1] = 0$$

$$X(2) = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=0}^3 X(k) e^{j\pi k}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} [2 + (1+j)e^{j\pi} + 0 + (1-j)e^{j3\pi}]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} [2 - (1+j) - (1-j)] = 0$$

$$X(3) = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=0}^3 X(k) e^{j\frac{3\pi}{2}k}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left[2 + (1+j)e^{j\frac{3\pi}{2}} + 0 + (1-j)e^{j\frac{9\pi}{2}} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} [2 + (1+j)(-j) + (1-j)j] = 1$$

Note

The Formula of the DFT and IDFT may be expressed as :-

$$X(K) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} X(n) W_N^{nK} \quad K=0, 1, \dots, N-1$$

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

where :-

$$W_N = e^{-j2\pi/N}$$