

## FOURIER TRANSFORM

We know the Fourier Integral of  $f(x)$  as

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \cos \lambda(t-x) dt d\lambda$$

$$\text{i.e. } f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \cos \lambda(t-x) dt \right] d\lambda \quad \dots \textcircled{A}$$

$$\text{or } f(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \cos \lambda(t-x) dt \right] d\lambda \quad \dots \textcircled{B}$$

$\because \cos \lambda(t-x)$  is an even function of  $\lambda$ ,  $f(t)$  does not depend on  $\lambda$ .

$$\text{also } \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \sin \lambda(t-x) dt \right] d\lambda = 0 \quad \dots \textcircled{C} \quad \because \sin \lambda(t-x) \text{ is an odd fun-}$$

tion of  $\lambda$ .

$\therefore \text{eqn } \textcircled{B} + i \text{eqn } \textcircled{C}$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{i\lambda(t-x)} dt d\lambda \quad \dots \textcircled{D} \quad \text{This is known as complex form of Fourier Integral.}$$

$$\text{or } f(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{i\lambda(t-x)} dt ds \quad \dots \textcircled{D'} \quad \text{replacing } \lambda \text{ by } s.$$

writing the exponential function as a product of exponential functions

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{ist} dt \right] e^{-isx} ds$$

$$\text{if } \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{ist} dt = F(s) \rightarrow \text{This is called Fourier transform}$$

$$\text{then } f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(s) e^{-isx} ds \rightarrow \text{This is called Inverse Fourier transform.}$$

eg: Find the Fourier transform of the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 + \frac{x}{a}, & -a < x < 0 \\ 1 - \frac{x}{a}, & 0 < x < a \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Soln: Fourier transform } F(s) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{isx} dx$$

$$\text{or } F(s) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[ \int_{-a}^0 \left(1 + \frac{x}{a}\right) e^{isx} dx + \int_0^a \left(1 - \frac{x}{a}\right) e^{isx} dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[ \left(1 + \frac{x}{a}\right) \frac{e^{isx}}{is} - \frac{1}{a} \frac{e^{isx}}{(is)^2} \right]_0^{-a} + \left[ \left(1 - \frac{x}{a}\right) \frac{e^{isx}}{is} + \frac{1}{a} \frac{e^{isx}}{(is)^2} \right]_0^a$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[ \frac{1}{is} + \frac{1}{as^2} - \frac{e^{-isa}}{as^2} + 0 - \frac{1}{is} - \frac{e^{isa}}{as^2} + \frac{1}{as^2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[ \frac{2}{as^2} - \frac{1}{as^2} (e^{isa} + e^{-isa}) \right] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[ \frac{2}{as^2} - \frac{1}{as^2} \times 2 \cos as \right]$$

$$= \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{as^2} [1 - \cos as] = \frac{2 \times 2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{as^2} \frac{\sin^2 \frac{as}{2}}{2} = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{as^2} \frac{\sin^2 \frac{as}{2}}{2}$$

$$\therefore F(s) = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{as^2} \frac{\sin^2 \frac{as}{2}}{2} \text{ is the reqd Fourier transform, provided } s \neq 0$$

Find the Fourier transform of  $f(x)$  defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & |x| \leq a \\ 0, & |x| > a \end{cases}$$

hence evaluate (a)  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin s a \cos sx}{s} ds$  (b)  $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin s}{s} ds$

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

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{-a} e^{isx} f(x) dx + \int_{-a}^a e^{isx} f(x) dx + \int_a^{\infty} e^{isx} f(x) dx \right]$$

Putting  $x = -y$  in the 1st integral

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[ -\int_{\infty}^a e^{-isy} f(-y) dy + \int_{-a}^a e^{isx} f(x) dx + 0 \right] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[ \int_a^{\infty} e^{-isy} f(-y) dy + \int_{-a}^a e^{isx} f(x) dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[ 0 + \int_{-a}^a e^{isx} dx \right] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left. \frac{e^{isx}}{s} \right|_{-a}^a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left( \frac{e^{isa} - e^{-isa}}{s} \right)$$

$$F(s) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} 2 \frac{\sin as}{s}, \quad s \neq 0, \quad \text{if } s=0, \quad F(s) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-a}^a dx = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \times 2a.$$

Inverse

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-isx} F(s) ds = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-isx} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot 2 \frac{\sin as}{s} ds.$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-isx} \frac{\sin as}{s} ds = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\cos sx - i \sin sx) \frac{\sin as}{s} ds$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos sx \sin as}{s} ds \quad (\text{2nd part is odd fn hence zero})$$

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos sx \sin as}{s} ds = \begin{cases} 1, & |x| < a \\ 0, & |x| > a. \end{cases}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos sx \sin as}{s} ds = \begin{cases} \pi, & |x| < a \\ 0, & |x| > a. \end{cases}$$

$$(b) \quad 2 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\cos sx \sin as}{s} ds = \begin{cases} \pi, & |x| < a \\ 0, & |x| > a \end{cases}$$

Putting  $x=0$  &  $a=1$

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin s}{s} ds = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

eg 2 Find the Fourier transform of

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1-x^2, & |x| \leq 1 \\ 0, & |x| > 1 \end{cases}$$

hence evaluate  $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x \cos x - \sin x}{x^3} \cos \frac{x}{2} dx$

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

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{-1} f(x) e^{isx} dx + \int_{-1}^1 f(x) e^{isx} dx + \int_1^{\infty} f(x) e^{isx} dx \right]$$

Put  $x = -y$  in the first integral

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[ -\int_{\infty}^1 f(-y) e^{-isy} dy + \int_{-1}^1 (1-x^2) e^{isx} dx + 0 \right] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[ \int_1^{\infty} f(-y) e^{-isy} dy + \int_{-1}^1 (1-x^2) e^{isx} dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[ \int_{-1}^1 (1-x^2) e^{isx} dx \right] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[ \frac{(1-x^2)e^{isx}}{is} \Big|_{-1}^1 + 2 \int_{-1}^1 x e^{isx} dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \times 2 \left[ \frac{x e^{isx}}{(is)^2} \Big|_{-1}^1 - \frac{e^{isx}}{(is)^3} \Big|_{-1}^1 \right] = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi} (is)^2} \left[ (e^{is} + e^{-is}) - \frac{(e^{is} - e^{-is})}{is} \right]$$

$$= \frac{-2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} s^2 \left[ 2 \cos s - \frac{2 \sin s}{s} \right] = -\frac{4}{\sqrt{2\pi}} s^2 \left[ \frac{s \cos s - \sin s}{s} \right] = \frac{-4}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left( \frac{s \cos s - \sin s}{s^3} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow F(s) = -\frac{4}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left( \frac{s \cos s - \sin s}{s^3} \right) \checkmark$$

Inverse Fourier transform

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-isx} F(s) ds = -\frac{4}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left( \frac{s \cos s - \sin s}{s^3} \right) (\cos sx - i \sin sx) ds$$

$$= -\frac{2 \cdot 2}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \left( \frac{s \cos s - \sin s}{s^3} \right) \cos sx ds = -\frac{4}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \left( \frac{s \cos s - \sin s}{s^3} \right) \cos sx ds$$

Put  $x = \frac{1}{2}$

$$\frac{-4}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \left( \frac{s \cos s - \sin s}{s^3} \right) \cos \frac{s}{2} ds = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{4}, & |x| \leq 1 \\ 0, & |x| > 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} \left( \frac{s \cos s - \sin s}{s^3} \right) \cos \frac{s}{2} ds = \frac{-3\pi}{16}$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x \cos x - \sin x}{x^3} \cos \frac{x}{2} dx = \frac{-3\pi}{16}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \cos 3 + i \sin 3 \\ & + \cos x - i \sin x \\ & \cos 1 + i \sin 1 \\ & - \cos 5 + i \sin 5 \end{aligned}$$