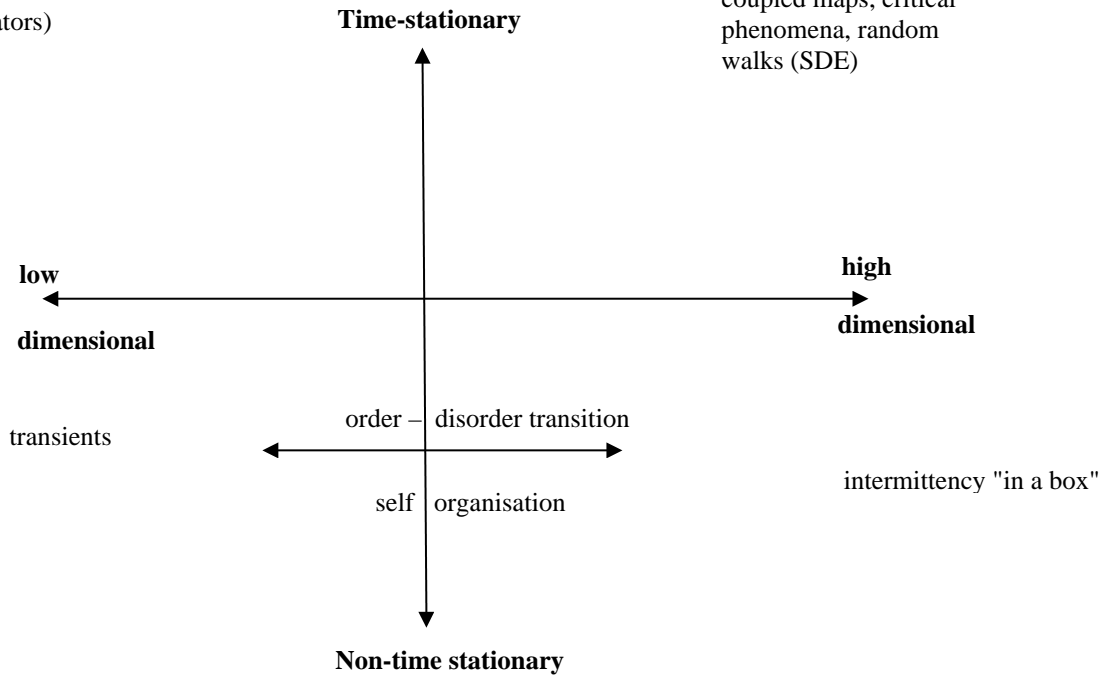


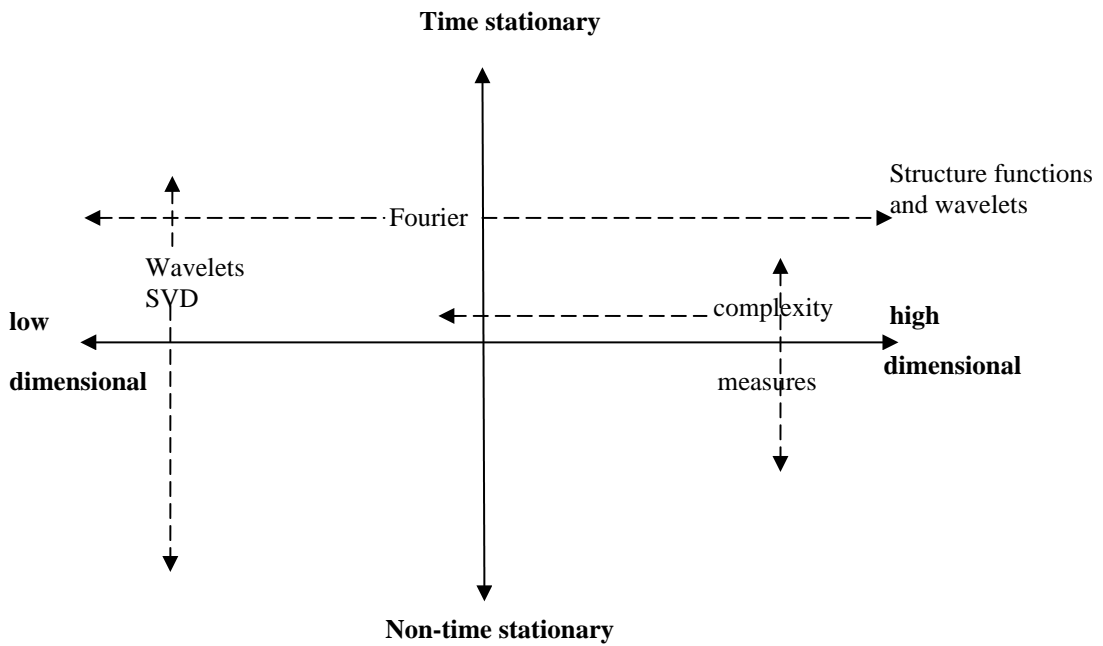
**Processes**

waves (nonlinear)  
wave – wave interactions  
(coupled oscillators)

Turbulence, SOC, DLA,  
coupled maps, critical  
phenomena, random  
walks (SDE)



**Techniques**



**Summary of Fourier transforms and DFT**

Time series  $x(t)$ , its transform  $S(f)$ , time interval  $T$

- a) expand  $x(t)$  in an orthogonal set of basis functions

$$x(t) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} S_m e^{2\pi i f_m t}, \quad f_m = \frac{m}{T}$$

and

$$S_m = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} x(t) e^{-2\pi i f_m t} dt$$

NB: orthogonality  $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{i(n-m)x} dx = 2\pi \delta_{mn}$

we will discuss the importance of this in a moment...

- b) Parseval's theorem

$$\int_{-T/2}^{T/2} |x(t)|^2 dt = T \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} |S_m|^2$$

- c) Defns: since  $S_m = |S_m| e^{i\phi_m}$  - in general complex  
 amplitude spectrum  $|S_m|$ , ( $|S_m|^2 = S_m S_m^*$ ) phase spectrum  $\phi_m$ ; (discrete) power spectrum  $|S_m|^2 \rightarrow$   
 the power in mode  $f_m$ .

- d) We then take the continuous limit  $f_N \rightarrow f$ ,  $T \rightarrow \infty$  to obtain the Fourier transform pair:

$$x(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S(f) e^{2\pi i f t} df$$

$$S(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-2\pi i f t} dt$$

NB: Notation – choosing variables  $f$  and  $t$  retains symmetry. If we worked in terms of

$$\omega = 2\pi f \quad \text{in } e^{i\omega t} \text{ term this results in a factor } \frac{1}{2\pi} \text{ in front of the IFT.}$$

- e) Parseval becomes:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)|^2 dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |S(f)|^2 df.$$

f) Defns:

$|S(f)|$  amplitude spectrum

$|S(f)|^2$  power spectral density

ie  $|S(f)|^2 df$  is the power in band  $f - f + df$

again,  $S$  is complex

$$S(f) = A(f)e^{i\phi(f)}$$

One can construct surrogate data sets by modifying (randomising)  $\phi(f)$ .

Some important theorems:

g) Convolution

Defn: convolution  $g(t) * h(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(\tau)h(t - \tau)d\tau$

then  $\text{FT} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t) * h(t) e^{-2\pi ift} dt = G(f).H(f)$   
 product of FT of  $g$  and  $h$   
 (convolution theorem)

h) Cross correlation

Defn: cross correlation  $g(t) \times h(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g^*(\tau)h(t + \tau)d\tau$

not the same as convolution. However:

$$\text{FT} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t) \times h(t) e^{-2\pi ift} dt = G^*(f).H(f)$$

NB:  $g^*$  - complex conjugate

i) Auto correlation - put  $h = g = x$

$$x(t) \times x(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^*(\tau)x(t + \tau)d\tau = R(t)$$

then

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [x(t) \times x(t)] e^{-2\pi ift} dt = S^*(f)S(f) = |S(f)|^2$$

$$\text{or } R(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S^2(f) e^{2\pi ift} df$$

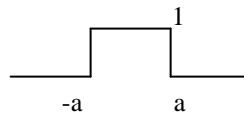
Wiener-Khintchine theorem

[Will relate to "statistical correlation" and covariance in a moment.]

j) Uncertainty principle/resolution

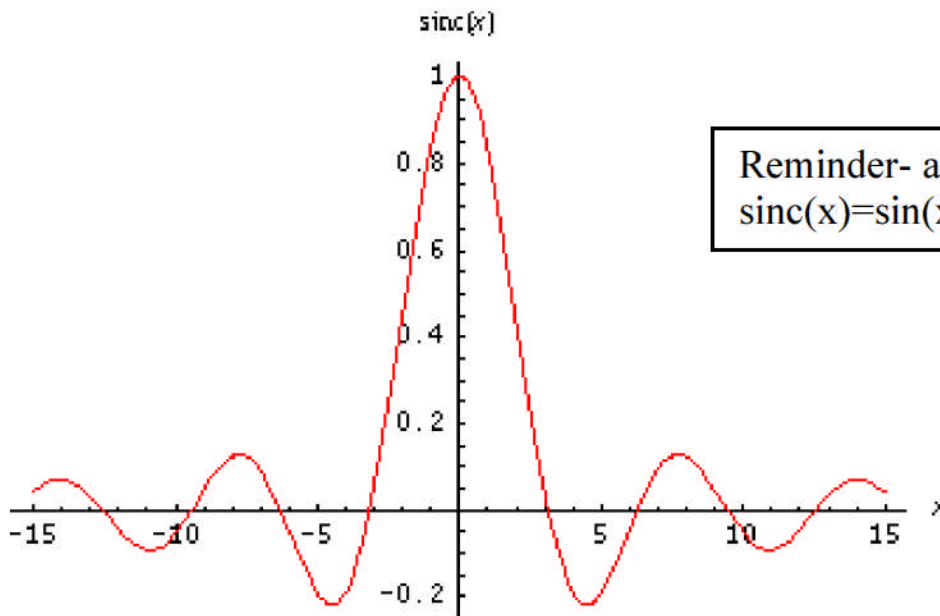
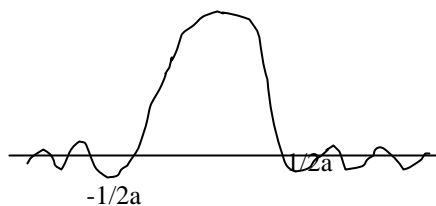
Consider a well known example (diffraction)

$x(t)$  is a "top hat" function



cf diffraction at slits in optics

$S(f)$  is a sinc function



proof: 
$$S(f) = \int_{-a}^a e^{-2\pi ift} dt = \left[ -\frac{e^{-2\pi ift}}{2\pi if} \right]_{-a}^a = \frac{e^{2\pi iaf} - e^{-2\pi iaf}}{2\pi if}$$

$$= \frac{\sin 2\pi af}{\pi f}$$

1st zero at  $2\pi af = \pi$  or

$$f = 1/2a$$

thus, "width" of function has the property  $\Delta t \Delta f \sim 1$ .

Finite window in  $t$  thus implies spectral leakage in  $f$  – to come later.

k) Finally....(an aside)

A relationship with the moments of a function  
(relates to cumulants)

Since 
$$S(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-2\pi i f t} dt$$

$$\frac{dS}{df} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (-2\pi i t) x(t) e^{-2\pi i f t} dt$$

so, 
$$\frac{dS}{df}(f=0) = -2\pi i \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t x(t) dt$$

and 
$$\frac{1}{(-2\pi i)^p} \frac{d^p}{df^p} S(f=0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t^p x(t) dt = m_p$$
  
the  $p$ th moment of  $x(t)$

hence, if  $x(t)$  is PDF then  $S(f)$  is the characteristic function – useful in handling PDFs.

Discrete Fourier Theory

What you actually calculate for real time series

- a)  $x(t)$  is sampled every  $\Delta t$  over interval  $T$

$$x(t) \rightarrow x_k \quad k = 0, 1 \dots N - 1 \quad t \rightarrow k\Delta t$$

Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT) are

$$x_k = \frac{1}{N\Delta t} \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} S_m e^{2\pi i m k / N}$$

$$S_m = \Delta t \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} x_k e^{-2\pi i k m / N}$$

NB: usually  $\Delta t = 1$  - given explicitly here to be clear about units, normalisation.

- b) Now  $S_m$  is associated with frequency (mode)  $f_m = \frac{m}{N\Delta t}$   
and  $x_k$  is associated with time  $t_k = k\Delta t$ .

Thus "resolution"  $\Delta t$  corresponds to  $\Delta f = \frac{1}{N\Delta t}$ , "uncertainty principle" becomes  $\Delta f \Delta t \sim 1 / N$ .

- c) Cyclic behaviour

Note, indices can be written as

$$k \rightarrow k + p \quad m \rightarrow m + p$$

or sums over

$$k = p \dots N + p - 1$$

$$m = p \dots N + p - 1$$

This implies periodicity over  $N$ , that is periodicity in time over  $T$ .

General implications of the DFT pair - I

(which also hold for continuous limit – not done here).

Write the DFT pair again:

$$x_k = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} S_m e^{2\pi i f_m t_k}$$

- this is just an expansion of  $x(t)$  in an orthogonal basis  $e^{2\pi i f_m t_k}$ , but the series is truncated at  $m = N - 1$ , ie, summing over finite number of modes  $f_m$ .

- this expresses the fact that  $x(t)$  is represented by a linear superposition of a finite set of modes - a linear process.

General implications – II – co-ordinate rotations

Write

$$\begin{aligned} A_{mk} &= e^{2\pi imk/N} && \text{a matrix} \\ A_{mk}^* &= e^{-2\pi imk/N} && \text{complex conjugate} \\ &= \tilde{A} && \text{complex conjugate transpose} \\ &&& \text{since } A \text{ is symmetric} \end{aligned}$$

Setting normalizations  $1/N, \Delta t = 1$  etc for now;

Then

$$x_k = A_{km} S_m \quad \text{a rotation/projection}$$

The DFT simply projects the vector  $x_k$  into a (useful) co-ordinate system to give vector  $S_m$ .

$A_{mk}$  is a rotation matrix.

Follows that  $S_m = A_{mk}^{-1} x_k$  - inverse rotation.

We can treat all transforms in this way.

Desirable property – from the DFT – defn. we have the following:

$$S_m = \tilde{A}_{mk} x_k = \tilde{A}_{mk} (A_{kp} S_p) \text{ - from DFT}$$

thus  $\tilde{A}_{mk} A_{kp} = \delta_{mp}$  -  $A$  is orthogonal  
 $\rightarrow$  so inverse FT exists.

Alternatively, if  $A$  is a rotation

$$\begin{aligned} S_m &= A_{mk}^{-1} x_k && \text{so } A^{-1} = \tilde{A} \\ &= A_{mk}^{-1} (A_{kp} S_p) && \text{- } A \text{ is orthogonal} \end{aligned}$$

d) Orthogonality of the DFT  
For the Fourier transform:

$$\begin{aligned} A_{mk} &= e^{2\pi imk/N} \\ \text{so } A_{mp} \tilde{A}_{qp} &= \sum_{p=0}^{N-1} e^{2\pi imp/N} e^{-2\pi iqp/N} \\ &= \sum_{p=0}^{N-1} e^{2\pi ip(m-q)/N} = \delta_{mq} \end{aligned}$$

The discrete version of the orthogonality condition seen earlier

e) Parseval's theorem - follows from orthogonality.

Consider inner product

$$\begin{aligned} x_k x_k &= (A_{kp} S_p)(A_{kq} S_q) \\ &= (A_{kp} S_p)(\tilde{A}_{qk} S_q) \text{ since } \tilde{A} = A^{*T} \\ &= \tilde{A}_{qk} A_{kp} S_p S_q \\ &= \delta_{pq} S_p S_q = S_p S_p \end{aligned}$$

ie:

$$\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} x_k^2 = \sum_{p=0}^{N-1} S_p^2$$

or putting back normalisation!

$$\Delta t \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} |x_k|^2 = \frac{1}{N \Delta t} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} |S_k|^2$$

ie: Parseval's theorem states that the length of the vector  $x_k$  is unchanged under rotation  $\rightarrow$  to the  $S_m$ .

$\Rightarrow$  will hold for any transform that is orthogonal.

f) Convolution – of time series  $g_k, h_k$

$$g_k * h_k = \Delta t \sum_{u=0}^{N-1} g_u h_{k-u}$$

and DFT gives convolution theorem:

$$\Delta t \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} (g_k * h_k) e^{-2\pi i k m / N} = G_m H_m$$

where  $G_m = \Delta t \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} g_k e^{-2\pi i k m / N}$  - same for  $H_m$

again, this is cyclic – write  $k \rightarrow k + p$   
sum is over  $p \dots N + p - 1$ .

NB: notation – often refer to "lag"  $\tau$

$$(g * h)_{\tau} = \Delta t \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} g_k h_{\tau-k} \text{ and } \Delta \tau \equiv \Delta t.$$



g) Cross correlation

$$C_\tau = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} g_k h_{k+\tau}$$

and again we have

$$\Delta\tau \sum_{\tau=0}^{N-1} C_\tau e^{-2\pi im\tau/N} = G_m^* H_m$$

(note  $\Delta\tau = \Delta t$  here).

h) Auto correlation

$$R_\tau = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} x_k x_{k+\tau}$$

and

$$S_m^* S_m = |S_m|^2 = \Delta\tau \sum_{\tau=0}^{N-1} R_\tau e^{-2\pi im\tau/N}$$

- Wiener-Khintchine.

NB: Normalisation – often normalised to the "zero lag" ( $\tau = 0$  term).

$$\bar{R}_\tau = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} x_k x_{k+\tau} - \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} x_k x_k$$

Statistical correlation and covariance

Other things are called "correlation", ie: **correlation coeff:**

$$Q_{xy} = \sum_i^N (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})$$

this is just the  $\tau = 0$  value  $C_0$  of the cross correlation for an *iid* zero mean process

ie:  $Q_{xx} = R_0$

**covariance**

$$\bar{Q}_{xy} = \sum_i^N \frac{(x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{N}$$

since the correlation (statistical) is often normalised to  $\langle x_i^2 \rangle$  and  $\langle y_i^2 \rangle$  we have

$$\frac{\bar{Q}_{xy}}{\sigma_x \sigma_y} = Q_{xy} \quad \text{where} \quad \sigma_x = \langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2$$