

The cosine-I transform

The cosine-I transform is an alternative to Fourier series; it is an expansion in an orthobasis for functions on $[0, 1]$ (or any interval on the real line) where the basis functions look like sinusoids. There are two main differences that make it more attractive than Fourier series for certain applications:

1. the basis functions and the expansion coefficients are real-valued;
2. the basis functions have different symmetries.

Definition. The cosine-I basis functions for $t \in [0, 1]$ are

$$\psi_k(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & k = 0 \\ \sqrt{2} \cos(\pi kt) & k > 0 \end{cases}. \quad (1)$$

It is easy to check that the basis functions are orthonormal:

$$\langle \psi_j, \psi_k \rangle = \begin{cases} 1 & j = k \\ 0 & j \neq k \end{cases}.$$

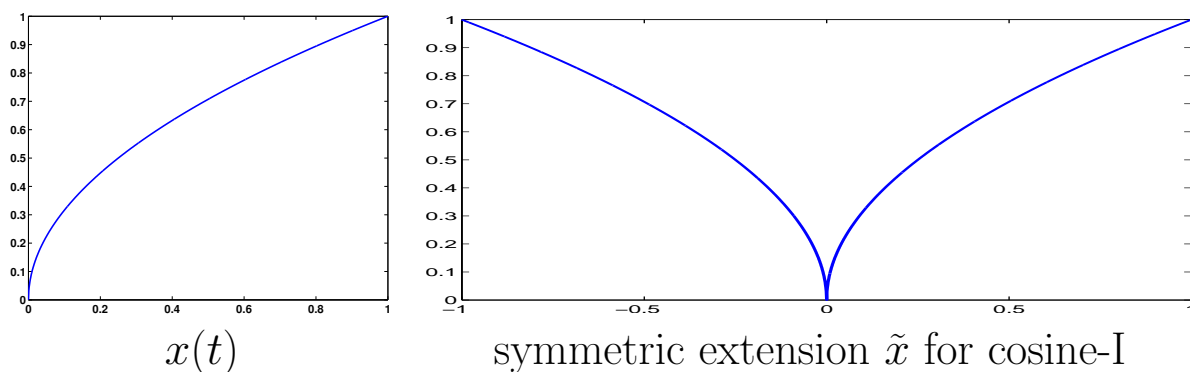
The question is whether or not they are complete; that is, can we build up any function on $[0, 1]$ as a linear combination of the $\{\psi_k\}$.

The completeness of cosine-I can be argued as follows. Let $x(t)$ be an arbitrary real-valued function on $[0, 1]$. Let $\tilde{x}(t)$ be its *symmetric extension* on $[-1, 1]$

$$\tilde{x}(t) = \begin{cases} x(-t) & -1 \leq t \leq 0 \\ x(t) & 0 \leq t \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

We can write the Fourier series (in cos/sin) form of $\tilde{x}(t)$ as

$$\tilde{x}(t) = \alpha_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \alpha_k \cos(\pi kt) + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \beta_k \sin(\pi kt)$$



(the interval has a length of 2, so the harmonics are $0, \pi, 2\pi, 3\pi, \dots$), where

$$\alpha_k = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 \tilde{x}(t) \cos(\pi k t) dt, \quad \beta_k = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 \tilde{x}(t) \sin(\pi k t) dt.$$

Since $\tilde{x}(t)$ is even, and $\sin(\pi k t)$ is odd, $\beta_k = 0$ for all $k \geq 1$. Thus

$$\tilde{x}(t) = \alpha_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \alpha_k \cos(\pi k t).$$

Since $x(t)$ is just the part of $\tilde{x}(t)$ on $[0, 1]$, we can also write

$$x(t) = \alpha_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \alpha_k \cos(\pi k t),$$

and so any function on $[0, 1]$ can be written as a linear combinations of the ψ_k in (1) (the factor of $\sqrt{2}$ is there just to make the basis functions normalized).

Of course, the construction above is easily extended to an arbitrary interval $[T_1, T_2]$ with length $L = T_2 - T_1$. In this case, we simply take

$$\psi_k(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sqrt{L}} & k = 0 \\ \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \cos\left(\pi k \left(\frac{t-T_1}{L}\right)\right) & k > 0 \end{cases}.$$

The discrete cosine transform (DCT)

The discrete version of the cosine-I transform is call the DCT:

Definition: The DCT basis functions for \mathbb{R}^N are

$$\psi_k[n] = \begin{cases} \sqrt{\frac{1}{N}} & k = 0 \\ \sqrt{\frac{2}{N}} \cos\left(\frac{\pi k}{N} \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)\right) & k = 1, \dots, N-1 \end{cases}, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1. \quad (2)$$

The DCT maps a real-valued vector in \mathbb{R}^N to another real-valued vector in \mathbb{R}^N , and can be computed efficiently using the fast Fourier transform (FFT). Note that

$$\cos\left(\frac{k\pi}{N} \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)\right) = \operatorname{Re} \left\{ e^{-jk\pi/2N} e^{-jk\pi n/N} \right\},$$

and so if $x[n]$ is real-valued

$$\sum_n x[n] \cos\left(\frac{k\pi}{N} \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)\right) = \operatorname{Re} \left\{ e^{-jk\pi/2N} \sum_n x[n] e^{-jk\pi n/N} \right\}.$$

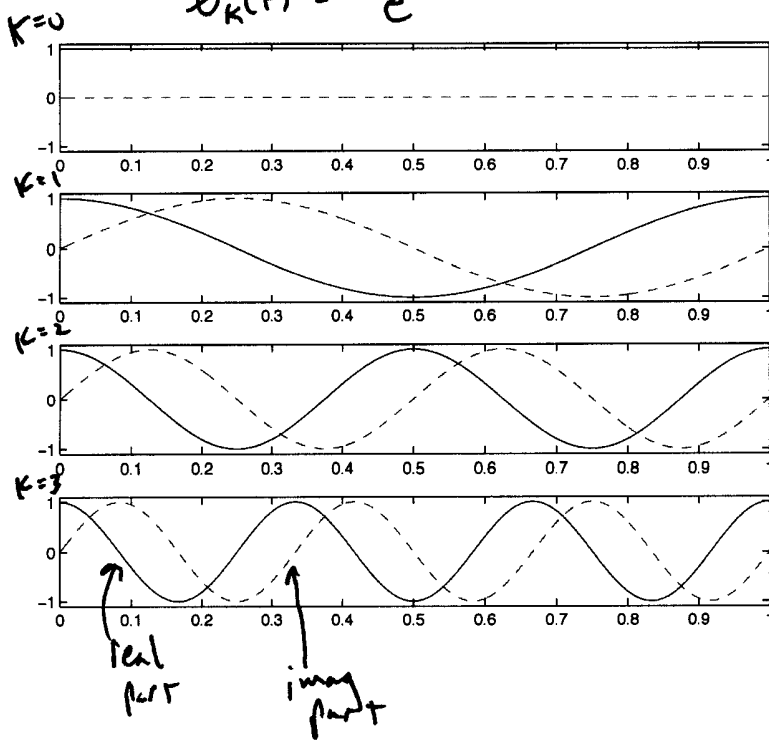
Thus in MATLAB, to take the DCT of \mathbf{x} , we could use

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fx2 = fft(x, 2*N);  
dx = (1/sqrt(N)) * [1; sqrt(2)*ones(N-1,1)] .* ...  
    real( fx2(1:N) .* exp(-1i*pi*(0:N-1)'/(2*N)) );
```

This is just meant as an illustration, as there are more efficient ways of doing this than the above (and MATLAB has a nice built-in `dct` function).

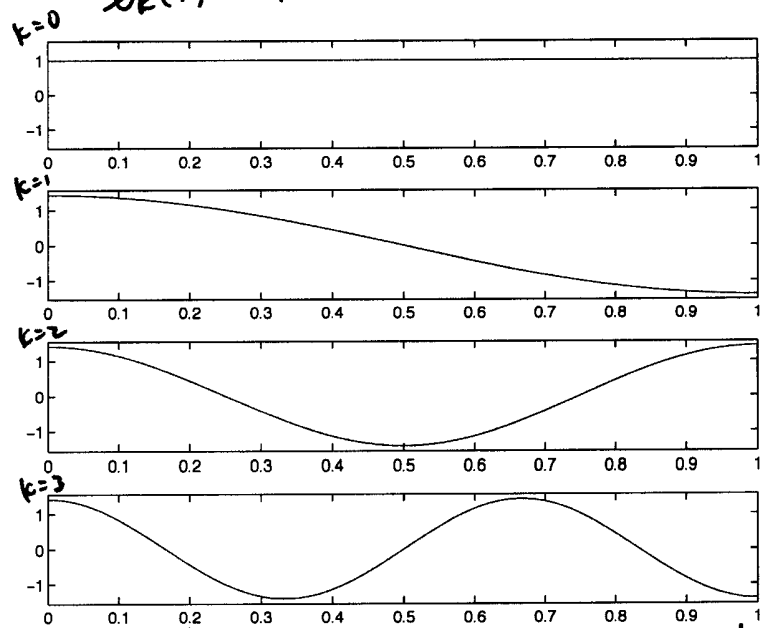
Fourier Series

$$\theta_k(t) = e^{j2\pi kt}$$



Cosine - I

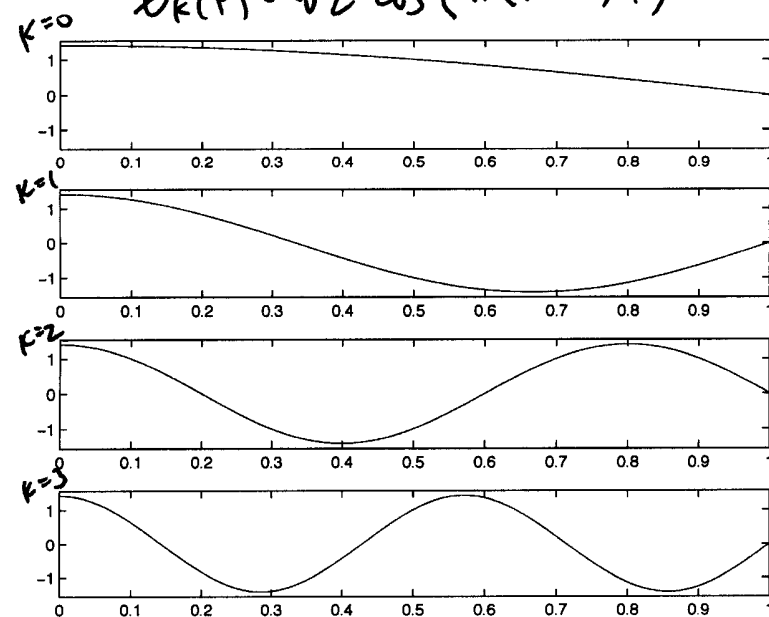
$$\theta_k(t) = \sqrt{2} \cos(\pi kt)$$



Note: even symmetry, real valued
cycles = $K/2$ around 0 & 1

Cosine - IV

$$\theta_k(t) = \sqrt{2} \cos(\pi(k+1/2)t)$$



Note: even sym around 0
odd sym around 1
cycles = $\frac{K+1/2}{2}$

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```
t = linspace(0,1,500);

% dft
figure(1)
clf
for kk = 0:3
    subplot(4,1, kk+1)
    plot(t, cos(2*pi*t*kk), 'b-', t, sin(2*pi*t*kk), 'r--');
    axis([0 1 -1.1 1.1])
end

% dft-1
figure(2)
clf
for kk = 0:3
    subplot(4,1, kk+1)
    if (kk==0), lk = 1/sqrt(2); else lk = 1; end
    plot(t, lk*sqrt(2)*cos(pi*kk*t), 'b-');
    axis([0 1 -1.1*sqrt(2) 1.1*sqrt(2)])
end

% dft-iv
figure(3)
clf
for kk = 0:3
    subplot(4,1, kk+1)
    plot(t, sqrt(2)*cos(pi*(kk+1/2)*t), 'b-');
    axis([0 1 -1.1*sqrt(2) 1.1*sqrt(2)])
end
```

code to
produce plots

The cosine-I and DCT for 2D images

Just as for Fourier series and the discrete Fourier transform, we can leverage the 1D cosine-I basis and the DCT into separable bases for 2D images.

Definition. Let $\{\psi_k(t)\}_{k \geq 0}$ be the cosine-I basis in (1). Set

$$\psi_{k_1, k_2}^{2D}(s, t) = \psi_{k_1}(s)\psi_{k_2}(t).$$

Then $\{\psi_{k_1, k_2}^{2D}(s, t)\}_{k_1, k_2 \in \mathbb{N}}$ is an orthonormal basis for $L_2([0, 1]^2)$

This is just a particular instance of a general fact. It is straightforward to argue (you can do so at home) that if $\{\psi_\gamma(t)\}_{\gamma \in \Gamma}$ is an orthonormal basis for $L_2([0, 1])$, then $\{\psi_{\gamma_1}(s)\psi_{\gamma_2}(t)\}_{\gamma_1, \gamma_2 \in \Gamma}$ is an orthonormal basis for $L_2([0, 1]^2)$.

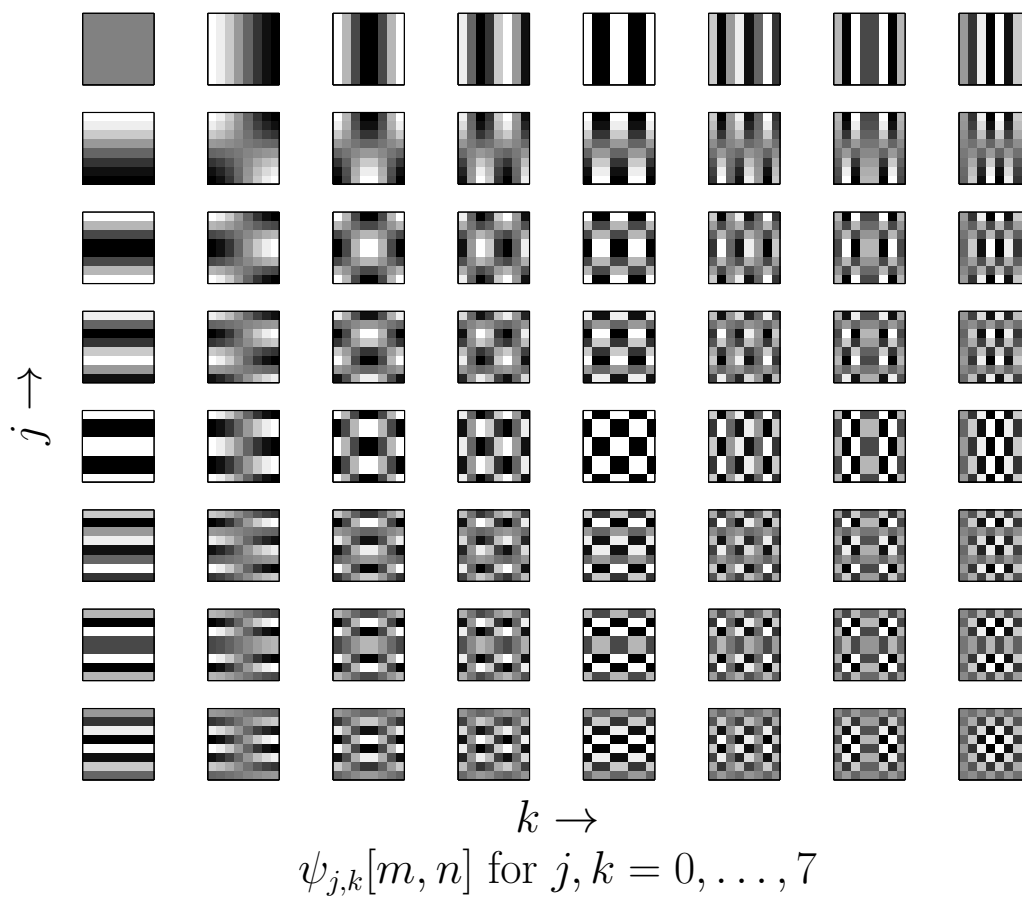
The DCT extends to 2D in the same way.

Definition. Let $\{\psi_k[n]\}_{0 \leq k \leq N-1}$ be the DCT basis in (2). Set

$$\psi_{j, k}^{2D}[m, n] = \psi_j[m]\psi_k[n].$$

Then $\{\psi_{j, k}^{2D}[m, n]\}_{0 \leq j, k \leq N-1}$ is an orthonormal basis for $\mathbb{R}^N \times \mathbb{R}^N$.

The 64 DCT basis functions for $N = 8$ are shown below:



2D DCT coefficients are indexed by two integers, and so are naturally arranged on a grid as well:

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
 \alpha_{0,0} & \alpha_{0,1} & \cdots & \alpha_{0,N-1} \\
 \alpha_{1,0} & \alpha_{1,1} & \cdots & \alpha_{1,N-1} \\
 \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\
 \alpha_{N-1,0} & \alpha_{N-1,1} & \cdots & \alpha_{N-1,N-1}
 \end{array}$$

The DCT in image and video compression

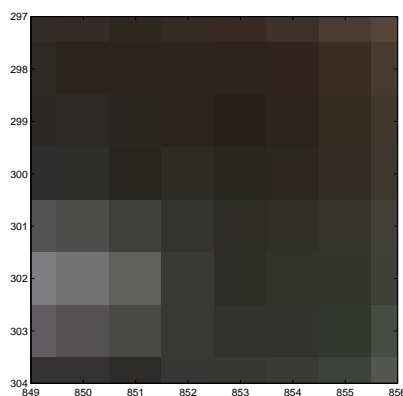
The DCT is basis of the popular JPEG image compression standard. The central idea is that while energy in a picture is distributed more or less evenly throughout, in the DCT transform domain it tends to be *concentrated* at low frequencies.

JPEG compression work roughly as follows:

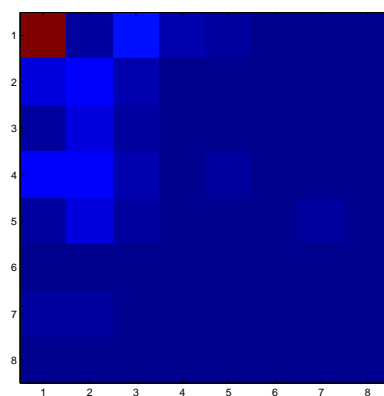
1. Divide the image into 8×8 blocks of pixels
2. Take a DCT within each block
3. Quantize the coefficients — the rough effect of this is to keep the larger coefficients and remove the smaller ones
4. Bitstream (losslessly) encode the result.

There are some details we are leaving out here, probably the most important of which is how the three different color bands are dealt with, but the above outlines the essential ideas.

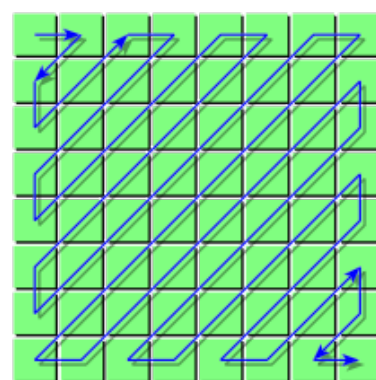
The basic idea is that while the energy within an 8×8 block of pixels tends to be more or less evenly distributed, the DCT concentrates this energy onto a relatively small number of transform coefficients. Moreover, the significant coefficients tend to be at the same place in the transform domain (low spatial frequencies).



8×8 block



2D DCT coeffs



ordering

To get a rough feel for how closely this model matches reality, let's look at a simple example. Here we have an original image 2048×2048 , and a zoom into a 256×256 piece of the image:



Here is the same piece after using 1 of the 64 coefficients per block ($1/64 \approx 1.6\%$), $3/64 \approx 4.6\%$ of the coefficients, and $10/64 \approx 15.6\%$:



So the “low frequency” heuristic appears to be a good one.

JPEG does not just “keep or kill” coefficients in this manner, it quantizes them using a fixed quantization mask. Here is a common example:

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} 16 & 11 & 10 & 16 & 24 & 40 & 51 & 61 \\ 12 & 12 & 14 & 19 & 26 & 58 & 60 & 55 \\ 14 & 13 & 16 & 24 & 40 & 57 & 69 & 56 \\ 14 & 17 & 22 & 29 & 51 & 87 & 80 & 62 \\ 18 & 22 & 37 & 56 & 68 & 109 & 103 & 77 \\ 24 & 35 & 55 & 64 & 81 & 104 & 113 & 92 \\ 49 & 64 & 78 & 87 & 103 & 121 & 120 & 101 \\ 72 & 92 & 95 & 98 & 112 & 100 & 103 & 99 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The quantization simply maps $\alpha_{j,k} \rightarrow \tilde{\alpha}_{j,k}$ using

$$\tilde{\alpha}_{j,k} = Q_{j,k} \cdot \text{round} \left(\frac{\alpha_{j,k}}{Q_{j,k}} \right)$$

You can see that the coefficients at low frequencies (upper left) are being treated much more gently than those at higher frequencies (lower right).

Video compression

The DCT also plays a fundamental role in video compression (e.g. MPEG, H.264, etc.), but in a slightly different way. Video codecs are complicated, but here is essentially what they do:

1. Estimate, describe, and quantize the motion in between frames.
2. Use the motion estimate to “predict” the next frame.
3. Use the (block-based) DCT to code the residual.

Cosine-IV transform

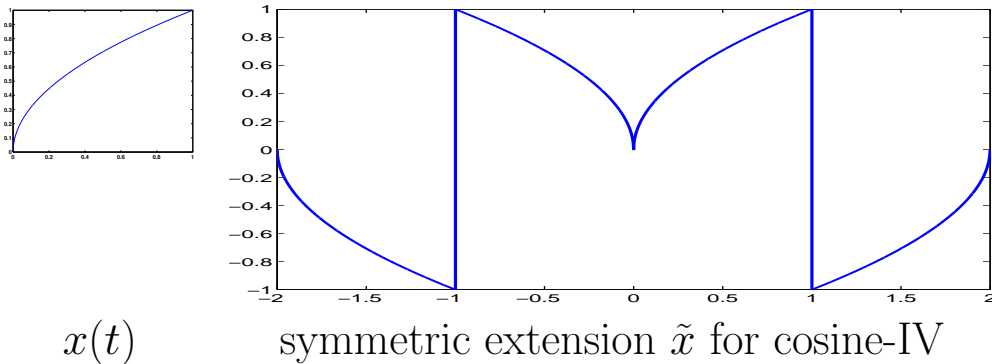
The cosine-IV transform is similar to cosine-I in that it is a basis of cosines at equally spaced frequencies (half harmonics). However, the frequencies used are offset to give the basis functions different symmetries — even at the left end point and odd at the right.

Definition. The cosine-IV basis functions for $t \in [0, 1]$ are

$$\psi_k(t) = \sqrt{2} \cos \left(\left(k + \frac{1}{2} \right) \pi t \right), \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots \quad (3)$$

It is again an easy exercise to check that the basis functions are orthonormal. The completeness of the basis set can be argued in a similar manner to the cosine-I, but with a different symmetric extension of the signal. Let $x(t)$ be an arbitrary real-valued function on $[0, 1]$. Let $\tilde{x}(t)$ be an extension defined on $[-2, 2]$ as follows:

$$\tilde{x}(t) = \begin{cases} x(t) & t \in [0, 1] \\ x(-t) & t \in [-1, 0] \\ -x(2-t) & t \in (1, 2] \\ -x(2+t) & t \in [-2, -1) \end{cases}$$



The Fourier series (in cos/sin form) of $\tilde{x}(t)$ is

$$\tilde{x}(t) = \alpha_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \alpha_k \cos\left(\frac{\pi k t}{2}\right) + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \beta_k \sin\left(\frac{\pi k t}{2}\right).$$

The extended signal $\tilde{x}(t)$ has support size 4, so the frequencies above are space $2\pi/4 = \pi/2$ apart. Since $\tilde{x}(t)$ is symmetric around zero, all of the β_k are again equal to zero. However, because $\tilde{x}(t)$ has odd symmetry around ± 1 , $\alpha_k = 0$ for k even. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{x}(t) &= \sum_{\substack{k \geq 1 \\ k \text{ odd}}} \alpha_k \cos\left(\frac{\pi k t}{2}\right) \\ &= \sum_{k \geq 0} \alpha_k \cos\left(\left(k + \frac{1}{2}\right) \pi t\right). \end{aligned}$$

And since $x(t)$ is just the part of $\tilde{x}(t)$ on $[0, 1]$, we have the same expansion

$$x(t) = \sum_{k \geq 0} \alpha_k \cos\left(\left(k + \frac{1}{2}\right) \pi t\right).$$

Again, the construction is easily extended to any interval $[T_1, T_2]$. With $L = T_2 - T_1$,

$$\psi_k(t) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \cos\left(\left(k + \frac{1}{2}\right) \pi \left(\frac{t - T_1}{L}\right)\right), \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

is an orthonormal basis for $L_2([T_1, T_2])$.

Lapped Orthogonal Transforms

Lapped Projectors

How can we have overlapping windows which keep things orthogonal?

To start, we will find projectors P^+, P^- for $f \in L_2(\mathbb{R})$ such that

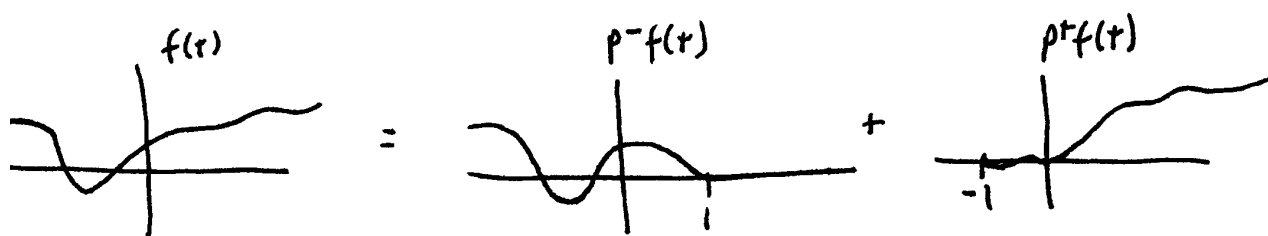
① $P^+f(t)$ is supported on $[-1, \infty)$

② $P^-f(t)$ is supported on $(-\infty, 1]$

③ $\langle P^+f, P^-f \rangle = 0$ (orthogonal)

④ $P^+f(t) + P^-f(t) = f(t)$

$$(P^+ + P^- = I)$$

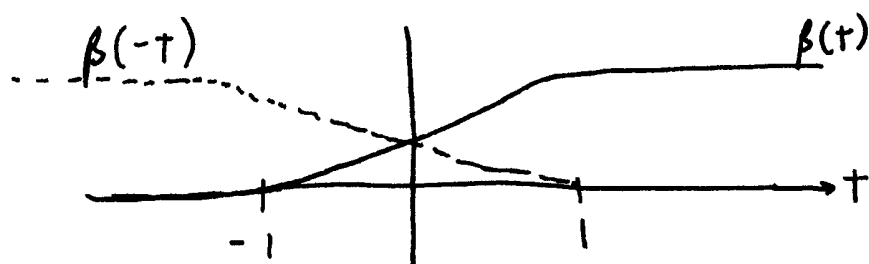


To find such a projection, we need an auxiliary function $\beta(t)$ that satisfies

$$\beta(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < -1 \\ 1 & t > 1 \\ \text{monotonic increasing} & \text{for } -1 \leq t \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

and for all $t \in [-1, 1]$

$$\beta^2(t) + \beta^2(-t) = 1$$



Of course, just setting
 $P^+ f(t) = \beta^2(t) f(t)$ $P^- f(t) = \beta^2(-t) f(t)$
 will not work (not orthogonal)

Instead, we force the projectors to have
different symmetry on $[-1, 1]$. Set

$$P^+ f(t) = \beta(t) [\beta(t) f(t) + \beta(-t) f(-t)] = \beta(t) p(t)$$

$$P^- f(t) = \beta(-t) [\beta(-t) f(t) - \beta(t) f(-t)] = \beta(t) q(t)$$

Note:

$$p(t) = \beta(t) f(t) + \beta(-t) f(-t) \quad \text{is } \underline{\text{even}}$$

$$q(t) = \beta(-t) f(t) - \beta(t) f(-t) \quad \text{is } \underline{\text{odd}}$$

(also $\beta(t)\beta(-t)$ is trivially even)

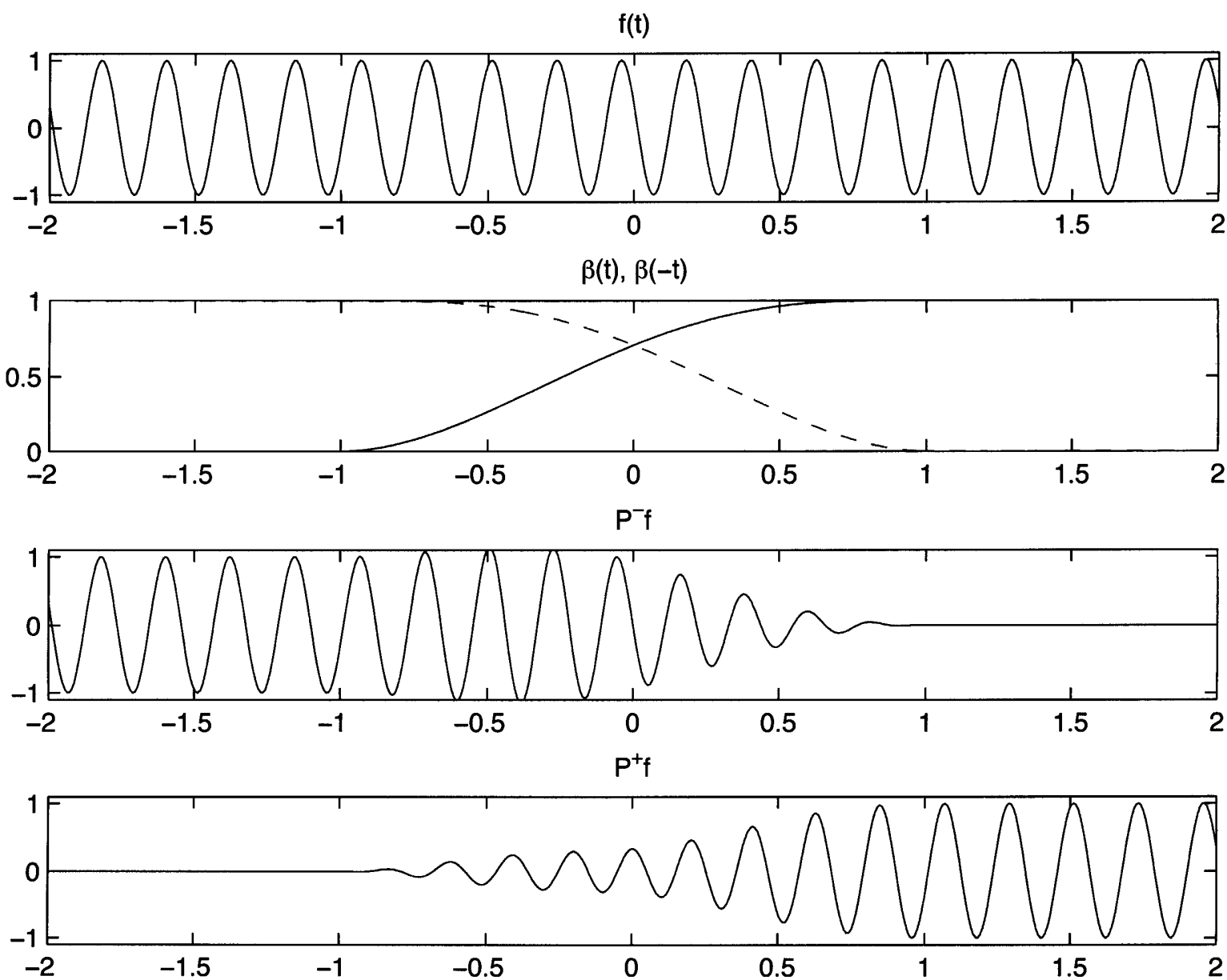
Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \langle P^+ f, P^- f \rangle &= \int_{-1}^1 \beta(t) \beta(-t) p(t) q^*(t) dt \\ &= \int_{-1}^1 \text{even} \cdot \text{even} \cdot \text{odd} dt \\ &= \int_{-1}^1 \text{odd} dt \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Establish that

$$p^+ f(t) + p^- f(t) = f(t)$$

proof:



In this example

$$\beta(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t \leq -1 \\ \left(35 \left(\frac{t+1}{2} \right)^4 - 84 \left(\frac{t+1}{2} \right)^5 + 70 \left(\frac{t+1}{2} \right)^6 - 20 \left(\frac{t+1}{2} \right)^7 \right)^{1/2} & -1 \leq t \leq 1 \\ 1 & t \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

P^+ and P^- are orthogonal projectors onto the spaces W^+, W^-

$W^+ =$ space of $f(t)$ in $L_2(\mathbb{R})$ such that

(a) $f(t) = 0 \quad t < -1$

(b) $f(t) = \beta(t)p(t) \quad -1 \leq t \leq 1$

for some even $p(t)$

(c) the behavior of $f(t)$ for $t > 1$ is arbitrary

$W^- =$ space of $f(t)$ in $L_2(\mathbb{R})$ such that

(a) $f(t) = 0 \quad t > 1$

(b) $f(t) = \beta(-t)q(t) \quad -1 \leq t \leq 1$

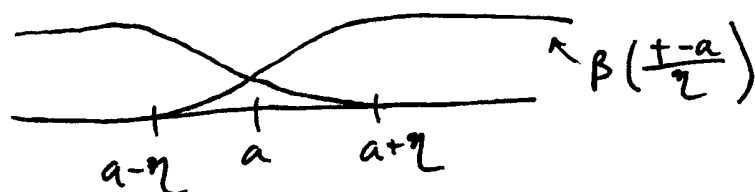
for some odd $q(t)$

(c) the behavior of $f(t)$ for $t < -1$ is arbitrary

To prove P^+, P^- are projectors onto these spaces, you establish that if $f \in W^+$, $P^+f = f$ and that P^+ is self-adjoint. (and similarly for P^-)

see Mallat 8.4 for details

Using the same $\beta(t)$, we can decompose signals into \perp -components with supports $[a-\eta, \infty)$ and $(-\infty, a+\eta]$



$$P_{a,\eta}^+ f(t) = \beta\left(\frac{t-a}{\eta}\right) \left[\beta\left(\frac{t-a}{\eta}\right) f(t) + \beta\left(\frac{a-t}{\eta}\right) f(2a-t) \right]$$

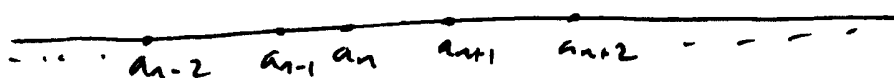
$$P_{a,\eta}^- f(t) = \beta\left(\frac{a-t}{\eta}\right) \left[\beta\left(\frac{a-t}{\eta}\right) f(t) - \beta\left(\frac{t-a}{\eta}\right) f(2a-t) \right]$$

(this is just shifting & scaling $\beta(t)$ and reflecting $f(t)$ across a) - spaces $W_{a,\eta}^+, W_{a,\eta}^-$ are defined accordingly

Projecting onto intervals

Divide the real-line using a_n

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow -\infty} a_n = -\infty, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \infty$$



$$\text{Set } I_n = [a_n - \eta, a_{n+1} + \eta]$$

(we could vary η w/ n if we wanted, too, but we won't do that here)

$$\text{We'll need } \eta \leq \frac{I_n}{2} = \frac{a_{n+1} - a_n}{2} \quad \forall n$$

to keep things from overlapping too much.

We can define the space

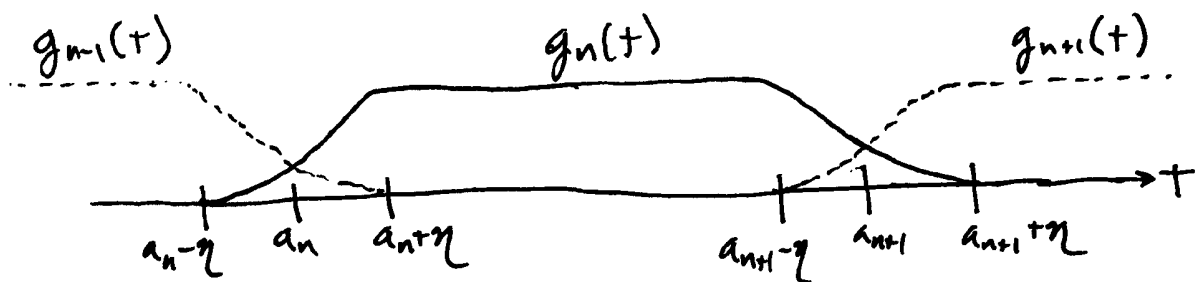
$$W^n = W_{a_n, \eta}^+ \cap W_{a_{n+1}, \eta}^-$$

with orthogonal projector

$$P_n = P_{a_n, \eta}^+ P_{a_{n+1}, \eta}^-$$

The space W^n is characterized using a window function $g_n(t)$

$$g_n(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < a_n - \eta \\ \beta\left(\frac{t - a_n}{\eta}\right) & a_n - \eta \leq t \leq a_n + \eta \\ 1 & a_n + \eta \leq t \leq a_{n+1} - \eta \\ \beta\left(\frac{a_{n+1} - t}{\eta}\right) & a_{n+1} - \eta \leq t \leq a_{n+1} + \eta \\ 0 & t > a_{n+1} + \eta \end{cases}$$



Applying what we have from before,
 W^n is the space of signals in $L_2(\mathbb{R})$
 such that $f(t)$ can be written

$$f(t) = g_n(t) h(t)$$

for some $h(t)$ that is

① symmetric w.r.t. a_n $a_n - \eta \leq t \leq a_n + \eta$
 $h(t) = h(2a_n - t)$

② anti-symmetric w.r.t. a_{n+1} $a_{n+1} - \eta \leq t \leq a_{n+1} + \eta$
 $h(t) = -h(2a_{n+1} - t)$

The projection $P_n f(t)$ can be written

$$P_n f(t) = \begin{cases} P_{a_n, \eta}^- f(t) & a_n - \eta \leq t \leq a_n + \eta \\ f(t) & a_n + \eta \leq t \leq a_{n+1} - \eta \\ P_{a_{n+1}, \eta}^+ f(t) & a_{n+1} - \eta \leq t \leq a_{n+1} + \eta \end{cases}$$

$$= g_n(t) \cdot h_n(t)$$

where

$$h_n(t) = \begin{cases} g_n(t) f(t) + g_n(2a_n - t) f(2a_n - t) & a_n - \eta \leq t \leq a_n + \eta \\ f(t) & a_n + \eta \leq t \leq a_{n+1} - \eta \\ g_n(t) f(t) - g_n(2a_{n+1} - t) f(2a_{n+1} - t) & a_{n+1} - \eta \leq t \leq a_{n+1} + \eta \end{cases}$$

It is easy to show that

$$W^n \perp W^m \quad n \neq m$$

and

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} P_n f(t) = f(t) \quad \forall f(t) \in L_2(\mathbb{R})$$

$$\text{(i.e. } \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} P_n = \text{identity)}$$

Now that we have an "orthogonal partition" of $L_2(\mathbb{R})$, we construct an orthobasis for each of the W^n .

We do this simply by taking an orthobasis for $L_2[a_n, a_{n+1}]$ and extending it in the same way we did for cosine-IV:

Let $\{\theta_k(t)\}_{k \in \mathbb{T}}$ be an orthobasis for $L_2[0,1]$

Set

$$\tilde{\theta}_k(t) = \begin{cases} \theta_k(t) & t \in [0,1] \\ \theta_k(-t) & t \in (-1,0) \\ -\theta_k(2-t) & t \in [1,2] \\ -\theta_k(2+t) & t \in [-1,2) \end{cases}$$

Then

$$\left\{ g_n(t) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot \tilde{\theta}_k \left(\frac{t - a_n}{2\pi} \right) \right\}_{k \in \mathbb{T}}$$

is an orthonormal basis for W^n .

To see this, we will establish the following useful fact:

Suppose $f_1(t), f_2(t) \in W^n$; we can write

$$f_1(t) = g_n(t) \cdot h_1(t)$$

$$f_2(t) = g_n(t) \cdot h_2(t)$$

where h_1, h_2 obey the symmetry properties discussed above. Then

$$\langle f_1, f_2 \rangle = \int_{a_n}^{a_{n+1}} h_1(t) h_2^*(t) dt$$

proof:

By definition

$$\langle f_1, f_2 \rangle = \int_{a_n - \eta}^{a_{n+1} + \eta} h_1(t) h_2^*(t) g_n^2(t) dt$$

Break the integral into three parts

$$\int_{a_n - \eta}^{a_{n+1} + \eta} = \int_{a_n - \eta}^{a_n + \eta} + \underbrace{\int_{a_n + \eta}^{a_{n+1} - \eta}}_{\text{exist}} + \int_{a_{n+1} - \eta}^{a_{n+1} + \eta}$$

First integral

$$\int_{a_n - \eta}^{a_n + \eta} h_1(t) h_2^*(t) \cdot g_n^2(t) dt$$

$$= \int_{a_n}^{a_n + \eta} h_1(t) h_2^*(t) [g_n^2(t) + g_n^2(2a_n - t)] dt$$

Since h_1, h_2 are symmetric w.r.t. a_n

We explicitly designed $g_n(t)$ so that

$$g_n^2(t) + g_n^2(2a_n - t) = 1 \quad \forall t \in [a_n, a_n + \eta]$$

so

$$\int_{a_n - \eta}^{a_n + \eta} h_1(t) h_2^*(t) g_n^2(t) dt = \int_{a_n}^{a_n + \eta} h_1(t) h_2^*(t) dt$$

Second integral

$$\int_{a_n + \eta}^{a_{n+1} - \eta} h_1(t) h_2^*(t) g_n^2(t) dt$$

$$= \int_{a_n + \eta}^{a_{n+1} - \eta} h_1(t) h_2^*(t) dt$$

since $g_n(t) = 1$ on this interval

Third integral

$$\int_{a_{n+1}-\eta}^{a_{n+1}+\eta} h_1(t) h_2^*(t) q_n^2(t) dt$$

$$= \int_{a_{n+1}-\eta}^{a_{n+1}} h_1(t) h_2^*(t) dt$$

where we argue just as we did for the first integral. Combining the three integrals, we have

$$\langle f_1, f_2 \rangle = \int_{a_n}^{a_{n+1}} h_1(t) h_2^*(t) dt.$$

Finally, the

$$\left\{ q_n(t) \frac{1}{\sqrt{h_n}} \tilde{\phi}_k \left(\frac{t-a_n}{2n} \right) \right\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}, k \in \mathbb{T}}$$

form an orthonormal basis for $L_2(\mathbb{R})$.

For the

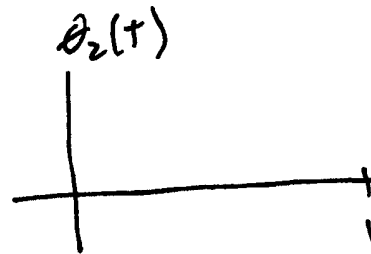
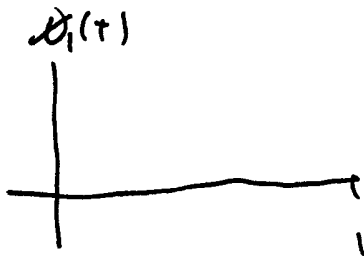
$$g_n(t) \tilde{\theta}_k\left(\frac{t-a_n}{2n}\right)$$

to be smooth, $\tilde{\theta}_k$ must be smooth

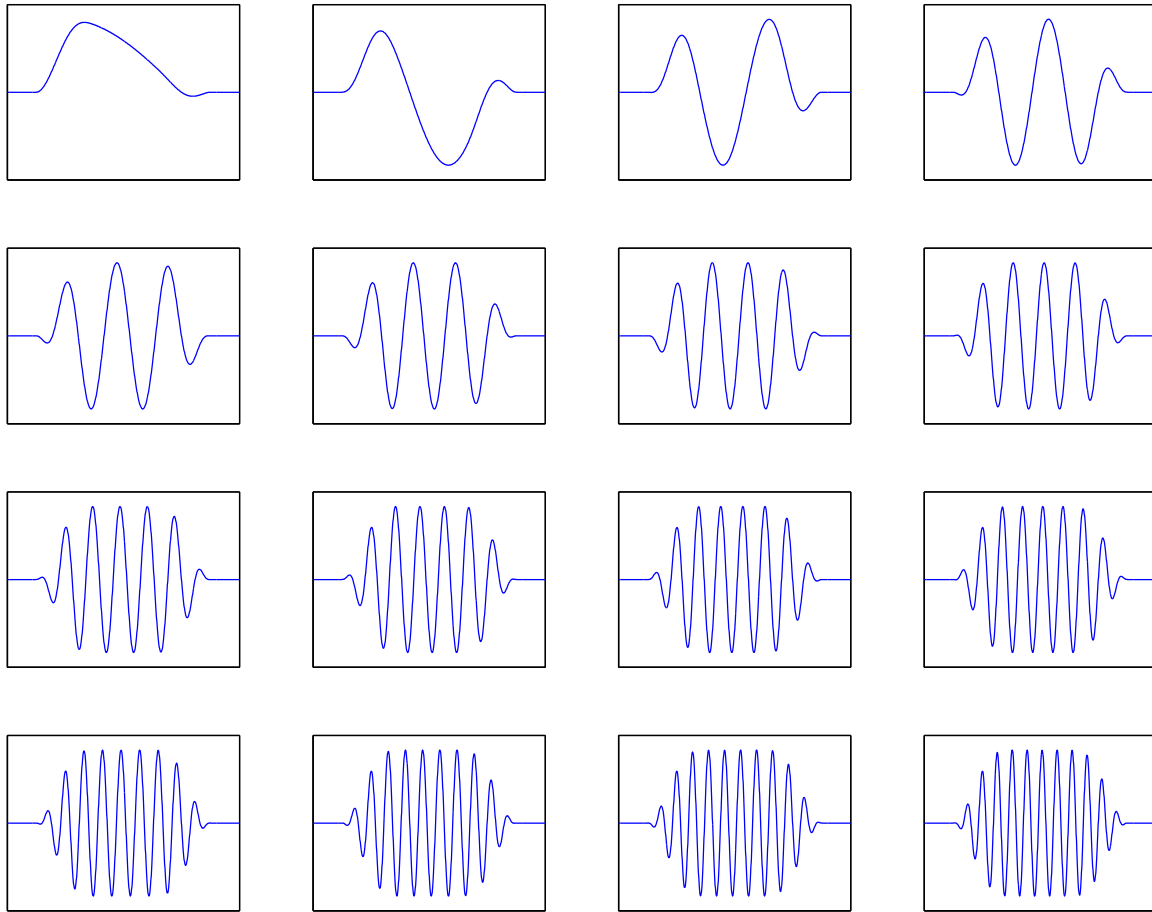
$\Rightarrow \theta_k(t)$ must have the right symmetries

Note: The Cosine-IV has these symmetries

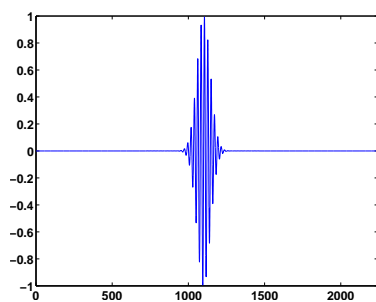
$$\theta_k(t) = \sqrt{2} \cos[(k+1/2)\pi t]$$



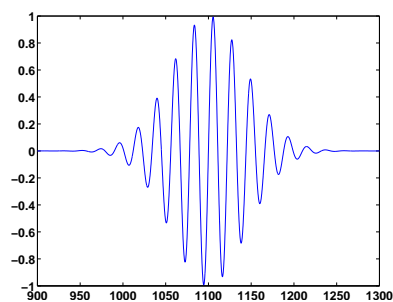
Plots of the LOT basis functions, single window, first 16 frequencies:



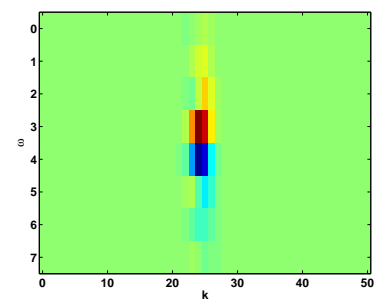
LOT of a modulated pulse:



pulse



zoom



grid of LOT coefficients