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We again need  $|b| < 1$ , i.e.

$$\left| \frac{RC-h}{RC} \right| < 1 \Rightarrow h \in (0; 2RC)$$

So the realization (B) of RC filter is stable only for  $h \in (0; 2RC)$ .

## FOURIER SERIES

We assume some periodic real function  $f(t)$ , with period  $a > 0$ , i.e.  $f(t+a) = f(t)$  for any  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Definition: we define the trigonometric polynomial of degree  $N$  as

the function

$$p(t) = \sum_{k=-N}^N c_k e^{2\pi i k \frac{t}{a}}$$

where  $c_k$  is complex,  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $a > 0$ ,  $N > 0$  and  $i$  is complex unit ( $\sqrt{-1}$ ).

Remark: If we apply the formula

$e^{ix} = \cos x + i \sin x$ , we can write the trigonometric polynomial in another

form:

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{p(t)} &= c_0 + \sum_{k=1}^N \left( c_k e^{2\pi i k \frac{t}{a}} + c_{-k} e^{-2\pi i k \frac{t}{a}} \right) = \\ &= \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^N \left( a_k \cos\left(\frac{2\pi k t}{a}\right) + b_k \sin\left(\frac{2\pi k t}{a}\right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

where  $a_k = c_k + c_{-k}$ ,  $k=0, \dots, N$

$b_k = i(c_k - c_{-k})$ ,  $k=1, \dots, N$

Now let's make a short trip to functional analysis. We consider the set (in each instance) of all trigonometric polynomials of degree  $N$ . We define the scalar product of two polynomials  $p$  and  $q$  as

$$(p, q) = \int_0^1 p(t) \cdot \overline{q(t)} dt$$

We further define the norm of polynomial  $p$  induced by scalar product as

$$\|p\|_2 = \sqrt{(p,p)} = \sqrt{\int_0^a |p|^2 dt} \quad (N)$$

The set of all trigonometric polynomials of degree  $N$  together with norm (N) define the  $(2N+1)$ -dimensional vectorial space  $T_N$  (note that the dimension of space  $2N+1$  is given by the number of independent coefficients in definition of  $p(t)$ , i.e.  $c_k, k = -N, \dots, N$ ).

Let's denote  $e_k(t) = e^{2\pi i k \frac{t}{a}}$ .

Remarks important properties of  $e_k(t)$ :

it is possible to prove

$$\int_0^a e_n(t) \overline{e_m(t)} dt = \begin{cases} a, & m = n \\ 0, & m \neq n \end{cases}$$

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$$\text{i.e. } (e_n, e_m) = 0 \text{ for } n \neq m$$

$$(e_n, e_n) = a$$

$$\|e_n\|_2 = \sqrt{a}$$

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We can show, that any element of  $T_N$  can be written as a linear combination of  $e_k(t)$ , i.e.

$$p(t) = \sum_{k=-N}^N c_k e_k(t)$$

Remarks: Note the similarity with algebraic vectors. We also say, that functions  $e_k(t)$ ,  $k = -N, \dots, N$  are the base of  $T_N$  and due to property  $(e_n, e_m) = 0$ ,  $m \neq n$  we speak about the orthogonal base of  $T_N$ .

Now consider  $p(t) \in T_N$  is given and we want to compute  $c_k = ?$

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Let's write the scalar product of equation

$$p(t) = \sum_{k=-N}^N c_k e_k(t)$$

with the function  $e_n(t)$ :

$$\underline{(p(t), e_n(t))} = \left( \sum_{k=-N}^N c_k e_k(t), e_n \right) =$$

$$= \sum_{k=-N}^N c_k (e_k(t), e_n(t)) = c_n (e_n(t),$$

$$e_n(t)) = \underline{c_n \cdot a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{c_n} = \frac{1}{a} (p, e_n) = \underline{\frac{1}{a} \int_0^a p(t) e^{-2\pi i n \frac{t}{a}} dt}$$

Remarks: if we consider the formula

$$p(t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^N \left[ a_k \cos\left(\frac{2\pi k t}{a}\right) + b_k \sin\left(\frac{2\pi k t}{a}\right) \right],$$

$$\text{then } a_k = \frac{2}{a} \int_0^a p(t) \cos\left(2\pi k \frac{t}{a}\right) dt$$

$$b_k = \frac{2}{a} \int_0^a p(t) \sin\left(2\pi k \frac{t}{a}\right) dt$$

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We have considered only functions  $p(t)$  from  $T_N$ . Now we have a question:

Is it possible to write

$$f(t) = \sum_{k=-N}^N c_k e^{2\pi i k \frac{t}{a}} \quad \text{for}$$

any periodic function  $f(t)$  with period  $a > 0$   
(i.e. also for  $f(t) \notin T_N$ ) ?

The answer is:

NO for  $N$  finite

YES for  $N \rightarrow \infty$ , then instead of space  $T_N$  we use the space  $L^2_p(0, a)$ , which contains periodic functions with period  $a > 0$  and for which the integral  $\int_0^a |f(t)|^2 dt$  exists and is finite. The scalar product and norm are in space  $L^2_p(0, a)$  the same like in  $T_N$ .

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However in real applications we cannot use  $N \rightarrow \infty$ . Let's try to find the best approximation of  $f(t) \in L_p^2(0, a)$  by the polynomial  $p(t) \in T_N$  in sense of least square method, i.e. we search coefficients  $x_k$  for minimum of norm

$$\|f(t) - p(t)\|_2 \quad \text{where } p(t) = \sum_{k=-N}^N x_k e_k(t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|f - p\|_2^2 &= (f - p, f - p) = (f, f - p) - (p, f - p) = \\ &= (f, f) - (f, p) - (p, f) + (p, p) = \\ &= \|f\|_2^2 - (f, p) - (p, f) + \|p\|_2^2, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \|p\|_2^2 &= \left( \sum_{k=-N}^N x_k e_k(t), \sum_{k=-N}^N x_k e_k(t) \right) = \\ &= a \sum_{k=-N}^N |x_k|^2 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 (f(t), p(t)) &= \left( f(t), \sum_{k=-N}^N x_k e_k(t) \right) = \\
 &= \sum_{k=-N}^N \overline{x_k} (f(t), e_k(t)) = \sum_{k=-N}^N \overline{x_k} a c_k
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $c_k = \frac{1}{a} (f(t), e_k(t))$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (p(t), f(t)) &= \left( \sum_{k=-N}^N x_k e_k(t), f(t) \right) = \\
 &= \sum_{k=-N}^N x_k (e_k(t), f(t)) = \sum_{k=-N}^N x_k a \overline{c_k}
 \end{aligned}$$

let's go back to norm

$$\begin{aligned}
 \underline{\underline{\|f-p\|_2^2}} &= \underline{\underline{\|f\|_2^2}} - \sum_{k=-N}^N \overline{x_k} a c_k - \sum_{k=-N}^N x_k a \overline{c_k} + \\
 &+ a \sum_{k=-N}^N |x_k|^2 = \underline{\underline{\|f\|_2^2}} + \\
 &+ a \sum_{k=-N}^N \left( -\overline{x_k} c_k - x_k \overline{c_k} + |x_k|^2 \right)
 \end{aligned}$$



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It is possible to show that

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{x}c + x\bar{c} &= (\operatorname{Re}x - i\operatorname{Im}x)(\operatorname{Re}c + i\operatorname{Im}c) + \\ &+ (\operatorname{Re}x + i\operatorname{Im}x)(\operatorname{Re}c - i\operatorname{Im}c) = \dots = \\ &= 2(\operatorname{Re}x\operatorname{Re}c + \operatorname{Im}x\operatorname{Im}c)\end{aligned}$$

and that

$$\begin{aligned}|c-x|^2 &= (\operatorname{Re}c - \operatorname{Re}x)^2 + (\operatorname{Im}c - \operatorname{Im}x)^2 = \\ &= \dots = (\operatorname{Re}c)^2 + (\operatorname{Im}c)^2 + (\operatorname{Re}x)^2 + (\operatorname{Im}x)^2 - \\ &- 2(\operatorname{Re}c\operatorname{Re}x + \operatorname{Im}c\operatorname{Im}x) = |c|^2 + |x|^2 - \\ &- \bar{x}c - x\bar{c}\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow -\bar{x}_k c_k - x_k \bar{c}_k + |x_k|^2 = |c_k - x_k|^2 - |c_k|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \|f - p\|_2^2 = \|f\|_2^2 + a \sum_{k=-N}^N (|c_k - x_k|^2 - |c_k|^2) (*)$$

is minimal for  $x_k = c_k$

It means that the best approximation of  $f(t)$

in  $T_N$  is  $f_N(t)$

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$$f_N(t) = \sum_{k=-N}^N c_k e^{2\pi i k \frac{t}{a}}$$

with  $c_k = \frac{1}{a} \int_0^a f(t) e^{-2\pi i k \frac{t}{a}} dt$

### Bessel inequality

Let's consider the equation (\*) with  $x_k = c_k$  and  $p = f_N$ , i.e.

$$\|f - f_N\|_2^2 = \|f\|_2^2 - a \sum_{k=-N}^N |c_k|^2$$

$$a \sum_{k=-N}^N |c_k|^2 + \|f - f_N\|_2^2 = \|f\|_2^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\sum_{k=-N}^N |c_k|^2 \leq \frac{1}{a} \int_0^a |f(t)|^2 dt}$$

Corollary,  $\int_0^a |f(t)|^2 dt$  is bounded, because

$f(t) \in L_p^2(0, a) \Rightarrow$  also for  $N \rightarrow \infty$

$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_k|^2$  must be bounded  $\Rightarrow$

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$$\Rightarrow \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |c_k| = 0$$

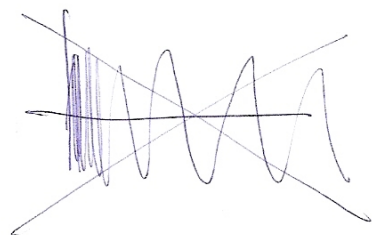
Remark: For  $N \rightarrow \infty$  it is possible to show

$$\text{that } \int_0^a |f(t) - f_N(t)|^2 dt \rightarrow 0,$$

i.e. that  $f_N(t)$  converges to  $f(t)$  in average.

Theorem: If  $f(t) \in L_p^2(0, a)$  satisfies the Dirichlet conditions, i.e.

- 1) it is periodic with period  $a > 0$
  - 2) it is piecewise continuous (with finite number of discontinuities)
  - 3) it is piecewise monotonic (it is growing or decreasing on finite number of intervals)
- "not like this"



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then

$$S(t_0) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \lim_{t \rightarrow t_0^-} f(t) + \lim_{t \rightarrow t_0^+} f(t) \right)$$

where  $S(t)$  is the sum of Fourier series

$$S(t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left( a_k \cos\left(\frac{2\pi kt}{a}\right) + b_k \sin\left(\frac{2\pi kt}{a}\right) \right)$$

with  $a_k = \frac{2}{a} \int_0^a f(t) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi kt}{a}\right) dt$

$$b_k = \frac{2}{a} \int_0^a f(t) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi kt}{a}\right) dt \quad \square$$

### Parseval equality

It is possible to show that

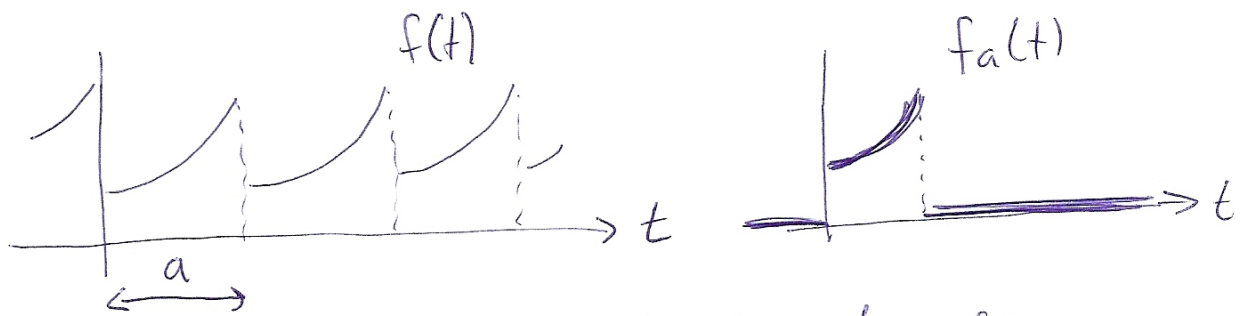
$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} (f_N, f_N) = \boxed{\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_k|^2 = \frac{1}{a} \int_0^a |f(t)|^2 dt}$$

This is very important property. If  $f(t)$  is some signal, then  $\frac{1}{a} \int_0^a |f(t)|^2 dt$  corresponds to the energy of signal.

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The Fourier Series for function  $f(t) \in L_p^2(0, a)$  can be understood as a sum of harmonic signals with frequency  $\frac{k}{a}$  and amplitude  $C_k$ . Parseval equality states, that the decomposition of  $f(t)$  into Fourier series keeps the energy of signal (of course for  $N \rightarrow \infty$ ).

Remark: Let's consider the periodic function  $f(t)$  with period  $a > 0$  and denote one period of  $f(t)$  by  $f_a(t)$ , i.e.



We know that the Laplace transform of  $f_a(t)$  is  $F_a(s) = \mathcal{L}\{f_a(t)\} = \int_0^a f_a(t) e^{-st} dt$

and the Fourier coefficient  $C_k$  is defined  $C_k = \frac{1}{a} \int_0^a f(t) e^{-2\pi i k \frac{t}{a}} dt$

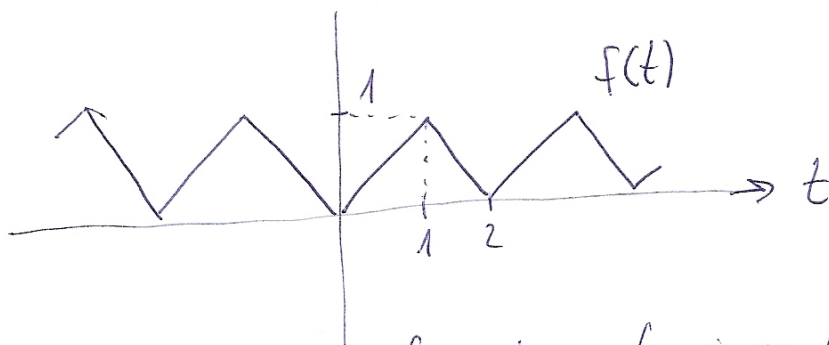
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$$\Rightarrow \underline{c_k = \frac{1}{a} F_a \left( 2\pi i \frac{k}{a} \right)}$$

i.e. the Fourier coefficients can be computed using dictionary of Laplace transform for "one period" with substitution

$$s = \frac{2\pi i k}{a}$$

Exercise: Find the Fourier series for periodic function  $f(t)$  with period  $a=2$



$f(t)$  is even function (inched sudar' funkce)

$$\Rightarrow b_k = 0$$

$$a_k = \frac{2}{2} \int_{-1}^1 f(t) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi k t}{2}\right) dt =$$

$$= 2 \int_0^1 f(t) \cos(\pi k t) dt, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots$$

$$a_0 = 2 \int_0^1 f(t) dt = 1$$

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> a0:=2*int(t,t=0..1);
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$$a0 := 1$$

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> ak:=2*int(t*cos(Pi*k*t),t=0..1);
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$$ak := \frac{2(-1 + \cos(\pi k) + \sin(\pi k) \pi k)}{\pi^2 k^2}$$

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> s2:=a0/2+sum(ak*cos(Pi*k*t),k=1..2);
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$$s2 := \frac{1}{2} - \frac{4 \cos(\pi t)}{\pi^2}$$

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> s4:=a0/2+sum(ak*cos(Pi*k*t),k=1..4);
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$$s4 := \frac{1}{2} - \frac{4 \cos(\pi t)}{\pi^2} - \frac{4 \cos(3 \pi t)}{9 \pi^2}$$

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> s8:=a0/2+sum(ak*cos(Pi*k*t),k=1..8);
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$$s8 := \frac{1}{2} - \frac{4 \cos(\pi t)}{\pi^2} - \frac{4 \cos(3 \pi t)}{9 \pi^2} - \frac{4 \cos(5 \pi t)}{25 \pi^2} - \frac{4 \cos(7 \pi t)}{49 \pi^2}$$

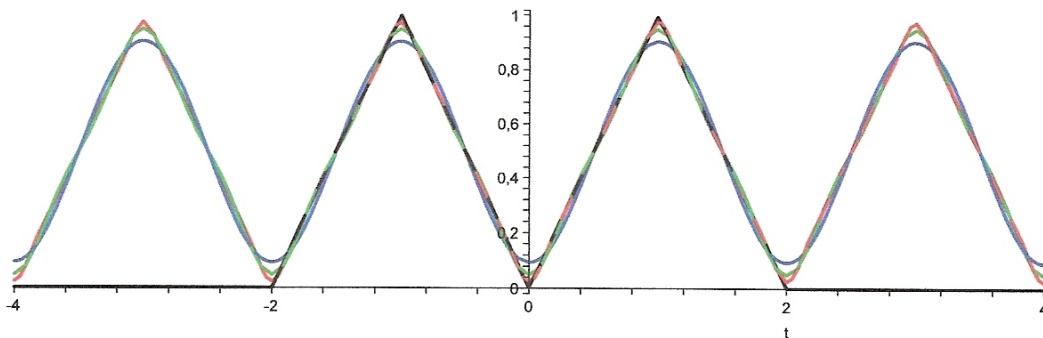
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> f:=piecewise(t>-2 and t<-1, t+2, t>-1 and t<0, -t, t>0 and t<1, t,
and t<2, -t+2);
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$$f := \begin{cases} t+2 & -2 < t \text{ and } t < -1 \\ -t & -1 < t \text{ and } t < 0 \\ t & 0 < t \text{ and } t < 1 \\ -t+2 & 1 < t \text{ and } t < 2 \end{cases}$$

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> with(plots): p1:=plot(f,t=-4..4,color=black):
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> p2:=plot(s2,t=-4..4,color=blue): p3:=plot(s4,t=-4..4,color=green):
p4:=plot(s8,t=-4..4,color=red):
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> display(p1,p2,p3,p4);
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Let's "check" the Parseval equality

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_k|^2 = \frac{1}{a} \int_0^a |f(t)|^2 dt$$

$$\text{difference} = \frac{1}{a} \int_0^a |f(t)|^2 dt - \sum_{k=-N}^N |c_k|^2 =$$

$$= \frac{2}{2} \int_0^1 t^2 dt - \sum_{k=-N}^N |c_k|^2, \quad \text{where}$$

$$b_n = i(c_n - c_{-n}) = 0 \Rightarrow c_n = c_{-n}$$

$$a_n = c_n + c_{-n} = 2c_n \Rightarrow \boxed{c_n = \frac{a_n}{2}}$$

see the "difference" for  $N = 2, 4, 8, 16, 32$

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> difference2:=evalf(int(t*t,t=0..1)-(a0/2)^2-2*sum((ak/2)^2,k=1..2));  
difference2:=0.00120547533
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> difference4:=evalf(int(t*t,t=0..1)-(a0/2)^2-2*sum((ak/2)^2,k=1..4));  
difference4:=0.00019155116
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> difference8:=evalf(int(t*t,t=0..1)-(a0/2)^2-2*sum((ak/2)^2,k=1..8));  
difference8:=0.00002594090
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> difference16:=evalf(int(t*t,t=0..1)-(a0/2)^2-2*sum((ak/2)^2,k=1..16));  
difference16:=0.00000331607
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> difference32:=evalf(int(t*t,t=0..1)-(a0/2)^2-2*sum((ak/2)^2,k=1..32));  
difference32:=4.1694 10-7
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Remark: Physical meaning of Fourier coefficients:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{note that } & a_k \cos\left(\frac{2\pi kt}{a}\right) + b_k \sin\left(\frac{2\pi kt}{a}\right) = \\ & = A_k \sin\varphi_k \cos\left(\frac{2\pi kt}{a}\right) + A_k \cos\varphi_k \sin\left(\frac{2\pi kt}{a}\right) = \\ & = A_k \sin\left(\frac{2\pi kt}{a} + \varphi_k\right) = A_k \sin(\omega_k t + \varphi_k) \end{aligned}$$

where  $A_k \sin\varphi_k = a_k$

$$A_k \cos\varphi_k = b_k$$

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$$\Rightarrow A_k = \sqrt{a_k^2 + b_k^2}$$

$$\text{tg } \varphi_k = \frac{a_k}{b_k}, \text{ i.e. } \varphi_k = \text{arctg } \frac{a_k}{b_k}$$

i.e. 
$$f(t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^N A_k \sin(\omega_k t + \varphi_k)$$

i.e. the Fourier series decomposes "a signal"  
 $f(t)$  into sum of harmonic signals

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with frequencies  $\nu_k = \frac{k}{a}$ ,  $k=1, \dots, N$   
(theoretically  $N \rightarrow \infty$ ) or angular  
velocities  $\omega_k$ .  $\varphi_k$  is the phase shift  
for  $k$ -th frequency and  $A_k$  is the  
amplitude. We see that Fourier  
series has discrete spectra of frequencies.