### THE FOURIER TRANSFORM



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#### Introduction



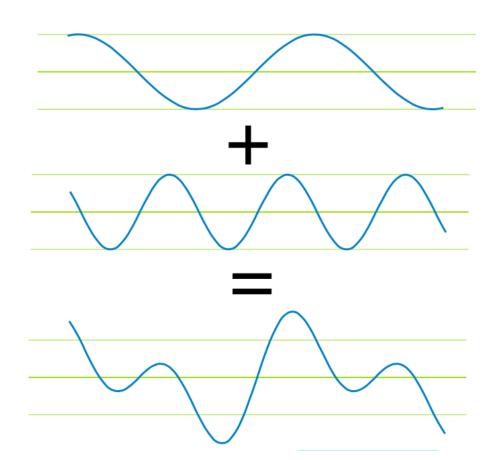
What is the Fourier Transform?

The Fourier Transform is important in mathematics, engineering, and the physical sciences. The Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT) which is computed by making use of the Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) has changed modern society, since it is used in digital electronics and signal processing.

Radio Astronomers are keen users of the Fourier Transform because it is a key component in data and signal processing.

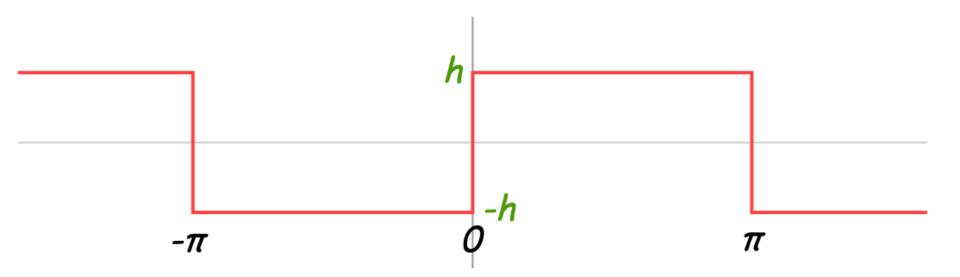


We can add sine waves together to form a new sine wave



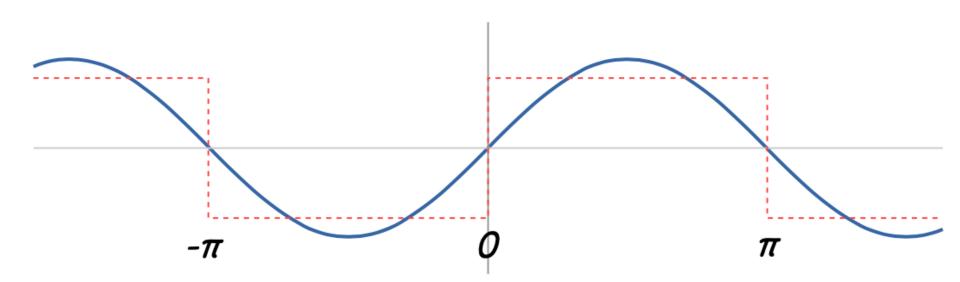


We want to add together sine waves to create a square wave



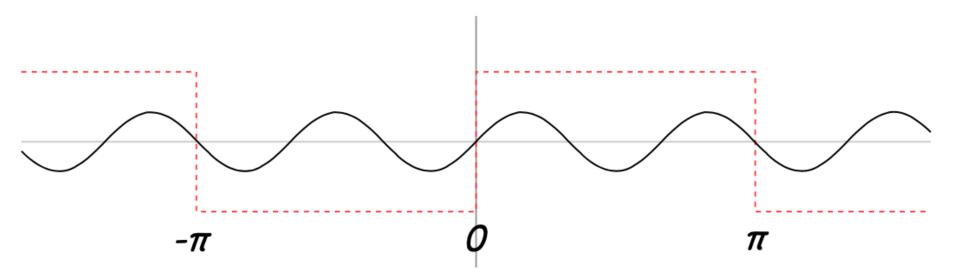


We start with sin(x)



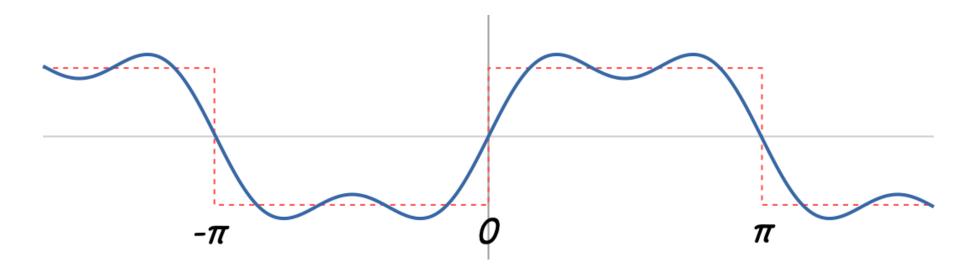


Then take sin(3x)/3:



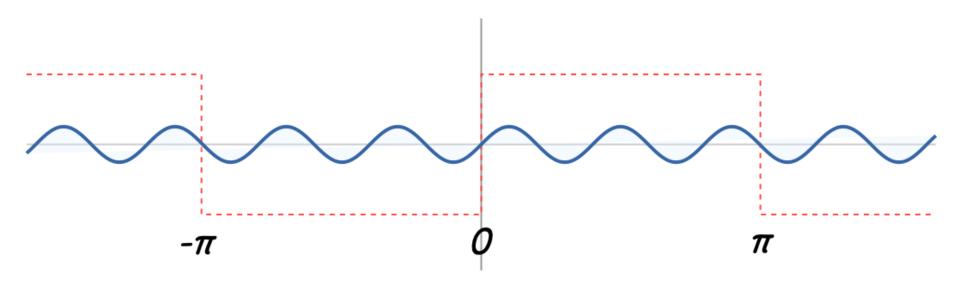


Now we add sin(x) and sin(3x)/3



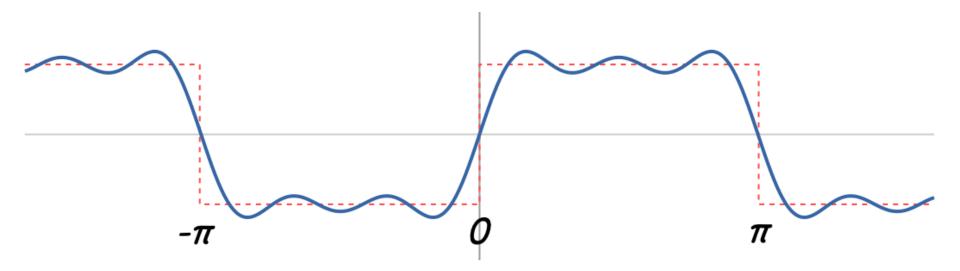


We use  $\sin(5x)/5$ 



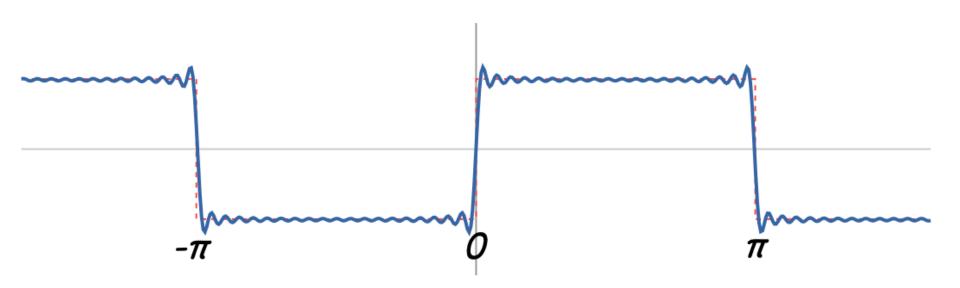


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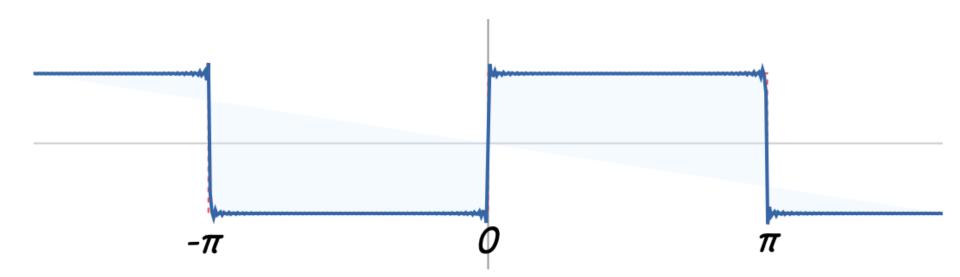


When we add 20 sine waves together



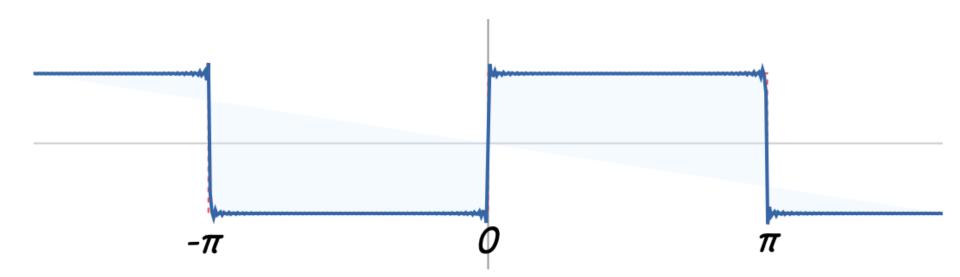


When we add 100 sine waves together



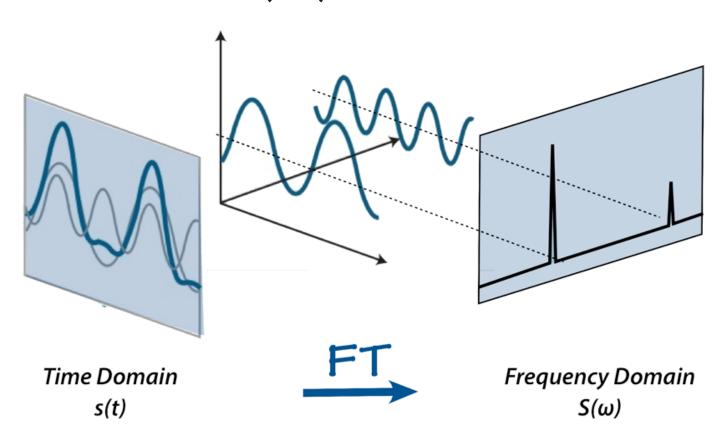


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#### The Fast Fourier Transform (FFT)





The Fourier Transform Equation

$$F(s) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \, e^{-2\pi i s x} \, dx \; ,$$



The Inverse Fourier Transform Equation

$$f(x) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(s) \, e^{2\pi i s x} \, ds \ ,$$



Euler's Formula

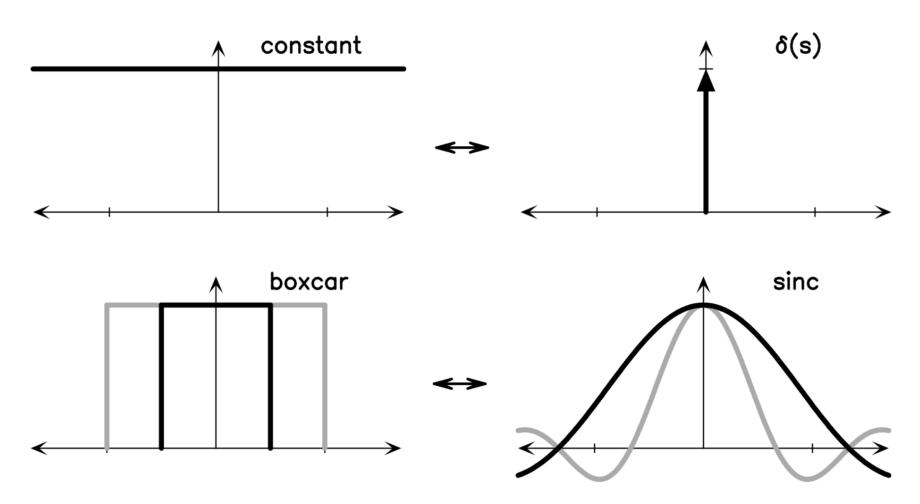
$$e^{i\phi}=\cos\phi+i\sin\phi,$$



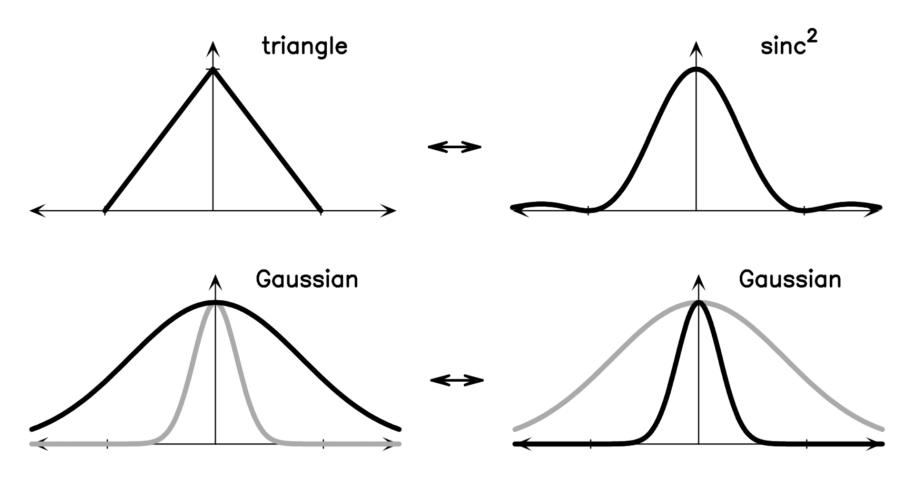
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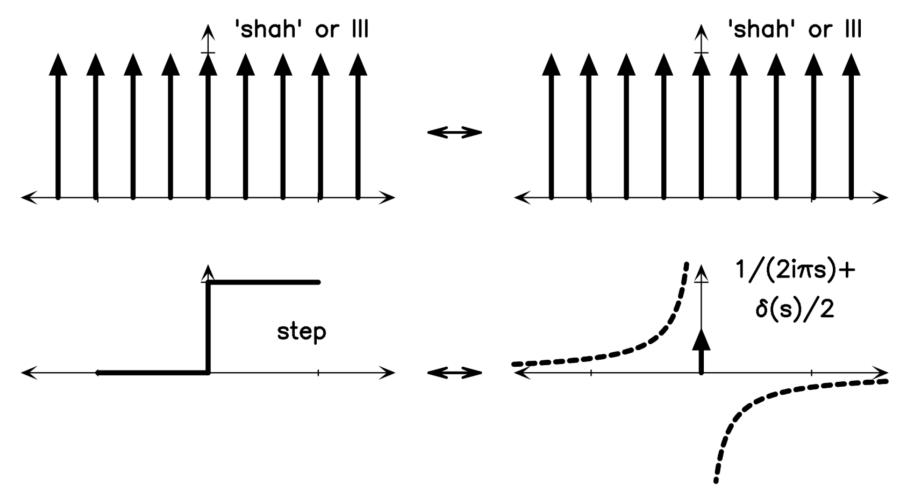




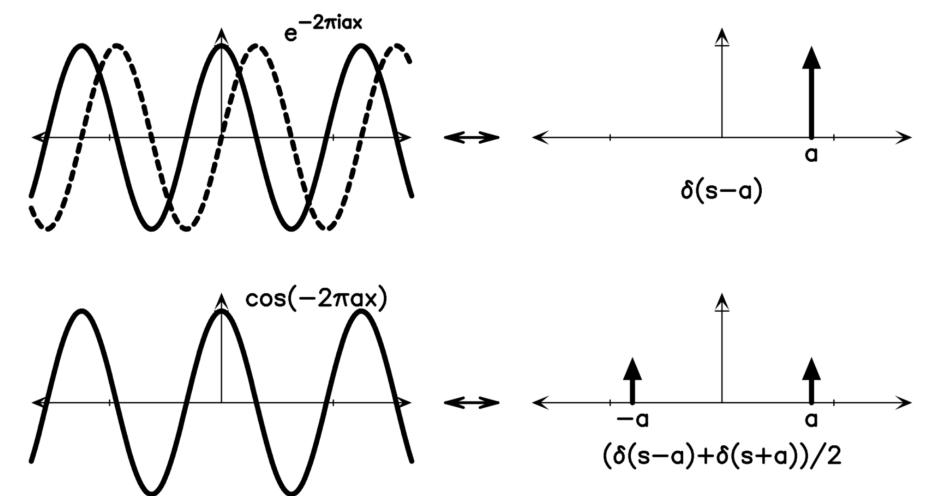














The Fourier Transform Demonstrations:



## Questions



