

Fast Fourier Transform

For a given input vector \mathbf{x} containing $n = 2^r$ components, the discrete Fourier transform $\mathbf{F}_n \mathbf{x}$ is the result of successively creating the following arrays.

$$\mathbf{X}_{1 \times n} \leftarrow \text{rev}(\mathbf{x}) \quad (\text{bit reverse the subscripts})$$

For $j = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, r-1$

$$\mathbf{D} \leftarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ e^{-\pi i/2^j} \\ e^{-2\pi i/2^j} \\ e^{-3\pi i/2^j} \\ \vdots \\ e^{-(2^j-1)\pi i/2^j} \end{pmatrix}_{2^j \times 1} \quad (\text{Half of the } (2^{j+1})^{\text{th}} \text{ roots of 1, perhaps from a lookup table})$$

$$\mathbf{X}^{(0)} \leftarrow \left(\mathbf{X}_{*0} \quad \mathbf{X}_{*2} \quad \mathbf{X}_{*4} \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{X}_{*2^{r-j-2}} \right)_{2^j \times 2^{r-j-1}}$$

$$\mathbf{X}^{(1)} \leftarrow \left(\mathbf{X}_{*1} \quad \mathbf{X}_{*3} \quad \mathbf{X}_{*5} \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{X}_{*2^{r-j-1}} \right)_{2^j \times 2^{r-j-1}}$$

$$\mathbf{X} \leftarrow \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{X}^{(0)} + \mathbf{D} \times \mathbf{X}^{(1)} \\ \mathbf{X}^{(0)} - \mathbf{D} \times \mathbf{X}^{(1)} \end{pmatrix}_{2^{j+1} \times 2^{r-j-1}} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{Define } \times \text{ to mean} \\ [\mathbf{D} \times \mathbf{M}]_{ij} = d_i m_{ij} \end{array} \right)$$

Example 5.8.5

Problem: Perform the FFT on $\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}$.

Solution: Start with $\mathbf{X} \leftarrow \text{rev}(\mathbf{x}) = (x_0 \quad x_2 \quad x_1 \quad x_3)$.

For $j = 0$:

$$\mathbf{D} \leftarrow (1) \quad (\text{Half of the square roots of 1})$$

$$\mathbf{X}^{(0)} \leftarrow (x_0 \quad x_1)$$

$$\mathbf{X}^{(1)} \leftarrow (x_2 \quad x_3) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{D} \times \mathbf{X}^{(1)} \leftarrow (x_2 \quad x_3)$$

$$\mathbf{X} \leftarrow \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{X}^{(0)} + \mathbf{D} \times \mathbf{X}^{(1)} \\ \mathbf{X}^{(0)} - \mathbf{D} \times \mathbf{X}^{(1)} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_0 + x_2 & x_1 + x_3 \\ x_0 - x_2 & x_1 - x_3 \end{pmatrix}$$