

Fourier Methods: classical and quantum

1. Introduction

The goal of this practice project is for students to become familiar with one of the most used data analysis methods in engineering: Fourier analysis.

This method quantifies the vibrational modes in airframes (flutter analysis), automotive, ball-bearings, radio frequency spectrum analysis, radar and sonar engineering, interference in coherent optics and holography, etc.

2. Project description

The training provides a jump-start into C++ project-style coding [1,2], focusing on Fourier analysis to relevelate the problems encountered and the solutions to those, rather than on the coding technicalities (which can be rather advanced [2]).

The aspects approached will be thus centered on the mathematical background, its discretisation and the problems arising, the solutions that exist, and of course hands-on experience with simulated data. The last part will give an introduction to quantum-computing and work a Quantum-FFT algorithm on IBM's Q-Experience quantum-chips.

3. Description of the work on the project

The students will have access to an internet Linux account, but they may also use their own laptops, or connect to their home computers. The approximate schedule is the following:

- ▶ review the mathematical background of Fourier series
- ▶ learn the particularities of discreet Fourier methods (Cooley-Tukey algorithm [3])
- ▶ become familiar w/ the underlying problems (spectrum-leakage, Gibbs satellite lobes)
- ▶ ... and w/ the solutions for those (apodisation, FoxLima series, Phase-Enhanced Smoothing)
- ▶ work some hands-on examples in C++ [1]
- ▶ introduction to quantum-algorithms
- ▶ IBM Q-Experience quantum-chips hands-on Quantum-FFT

4. Desirable preliminary knowledge

- basics of mathematical analysis, linear algebra
- basics of computer knowledge (Linux and C++)
- an IBM Q-Experience account

5. References

- [1] M.O. Dima – *C++ course*, IFIN-HH, Romania (2018-2019) – <http://cern.ch/modima/WXX>
[2] M. Dima, V. Korenkov, *AFM Modules* <https://dx.doi.org/10.24412/2500-1000-2022-6-1-136-140>
[3] C++ code: https://rosettacode.org/wiki/Fast_Fourier_transform#C.2B.2B

6. Number of students participating in the project

The project can host 2 students.

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