Fourier symmetry

Waveform Symmetry

• Even Functions

$$f(t) = f(-t)$$

Odd Functions

$$f(t) = -f(-t)$$



Decomposition

• Any function f(t) can be expressed as the sum of an even function $f_e(t)$ and an odd function $f_o(t)$.

$$f(t) = f_e(t) + f_o(t)$$

- $f_e(t) = \frac{1}{2} [f(t) + f(-t)]$ Even Part
- $f_o(t) = \frac{1}{2} [f(t) f(-t)] \qquad \text{Odd Part}$



Half-Wave Symmetry

$$f(t) = f(t+T)$$
 and $f(t) = -f(t+T/2)$



Quarter-Wave Symmetry

Even Quarter-Wave Symmetry



Hidden Symmetry

- The following is a asymmetry periodic function: -T
- Adding a constant to get symmetry property.



Fourier Coefficients of Symmetrical Waveforms

- The use of symmetry properties simplifies the calculation of Fourier coefficients.
 - Even Functions
 - Odd Functions
 - Half-Wave
 - Even Quarter-Wave
 - Odd Quarter-Wave
 - Hidden

Fourier Coefficients of Even Functions



$$f(t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos n\omega_0 t$$
$$a_n = \frac{4}{T} \int_0^{T/2} f(t) \cos(n\omega_0 t) dt$$

Fourier Coefficients of Even Functions



Fourier Coefficients for Half-Wave Symmetry



The Fourier series contains only odd harmonics.

Fourier Coefficients for Half-Wave Symmetry

$$f(t) = f(t+T) \text{ and } f(t) = -f(t+T/2)$$

$$f(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos n\omega_0 t + b_n \sin n\omega_0 t)$$

$$a_n = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } n \text{ even} \\ \frac{4}{T} \int_0^{T/2} f(t) \cos(n\omega_0 t) dt & \text{for } n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

$$b_n = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } n \text{ even} \\ \frac{4}{T} \int_0^{T/2} f(t) \sin(n\omega_0 t) dt & \text{for } n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

Fourier Coefficients for Even Quarter-Wave Symmetry



$$f(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{2n-1} \cos[(2n-1)\omega_0 t]$$
$$a_{2n-1} = \frac{8}{T} \int_0^{T/4} f(t) \cos[(2n-1)\omega_0 t] dt$$

Fourier Coefficients for Odd Quarter-Wave Symmetry

