For $N = 2^p$ this breakdown can be repeated $p - 1$ times in order to finally arrive at $N/2$ problems of size 2 each, so that the number of multiplications is reduced as indicated above.

We show the reduction from $N = 4$ to $M = N/2 = 2$ and then prove (22).

EXAMPLE 5 Fast Fourier Transform (FFT). Sample of $N = 4$ Values

When $N = 4$, then $w = w_N = -i$ as in Example 4 and $M = N/2 = 2$, hence $w = w_M = e^{-2\pi i/2} = e^{-\pi i} = -1$. Consequently,

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}}_{ev} = \begin{bmatrix}\hat{f}_0\\ \hat{f}_2\end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{F}_2\mathbf{f}_{ev} = \begin{bmatrix}1 & 1\\ 1 & -1\end{bmatrix}\begin{bmatrix}f_0\\ f_2\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}f_0+f_2\\ f_0-f_2\end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}}_{od} = \begin{bmatrix}\hat{f}_1\\ \hat{f}_3\end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{F}_2\mathbf{f}_{od} = \begin{bmatrix}1 & 1\\ 1 & -1\end{bmatrix}\begin{bmatrix}f_1\\ f_3\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}f_1+f_3\\ f_1-f_3\end{bmatrix}.$$

From this and (22a) we obtain

$$\hat{f}_0 = \hat{f}_{ev,0} + w_N^0\hat{f}_{od,0} = (f_0 + f_2) + (f_1 + f_3) = f_0 + f_1 + f_2 + f_3$$
$$\hat{f}_1 = \hat{f}_{ev,1} + w_N^1\hat{f}_{od,1} = (f_0 - f_2) - i(f_1 + f_3) = f_0 - if_1 - f_2 + if_3.$$

Similarly, by (22b),

$$\hat{f}_2 = \hat{f}_{ev,0} - w_N^0\hat{f}_{od,0} = (f_0 + f_2) - (f_1 + f_3) = f_0 - f_1 + f_2 - f_3$$
$$\hat{f}_3 = \hat{f}_{ev,1} - w_N^1\hat{f}_{od,1} = (f_0 - f_2) - (-i)(f_1 - f_3) = f_0 + if_1 - f_2 - if_3.$$

This agrees with Example 4, as can be seen by replacing 0, 1, 4, 9 with f_0, f_1, f_2, f_3. ■

We prove (22). From (18) and (19) we have for the components of the DFT

$$\hat{f}_n = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} w_N^{kn} f_k.$$

Splitting into two sums of $M = N/2$ terms each gives

$$\hat{f}_n = \sum_{k=0}^{M-1} w_N^{2kn} f_{2k} + \sum_{k=0}^{M-1} w_N^{(2k+1)n} f_{2k+1}.$$

We now use $w_N^2 = w_M$ and pull out w_N^n from under the second sum, obtaining

$$\hat{f}_n = \sum_{k=0}^{M-1} w_M^{kn} f_{ev,k} + w_N^n \sum_{k=0}^{M-1} w_M^{kn} f_{od,k}. \tag{23}$$

The two sums are $f_{ev,n}$ and $f_{od,n}$, the components of the "half-size" transforms $\mathbf{Ff}_{ev}$ and $\mathbf{Ff}_{od}$.

Formula (22a) is the same as (23). In (22b) we have $n + M$ instead of n. This causes a sign changes in (23), namely $-w_N^n$ before the second sum because

$$w_N^M = e^{-2\pi i M/N} = e^{-2\pi i/2} = e^{-\pi i} = -1.$$

This gives the minus in (22b) and completes the proof. ■

PROBLEM SET 11.9

1. Review in complex. Show that $1/i = -i$, $e^{-ix} = \cos x - i \sin x$, $e^{ix} + e^{-ix} = 2 \cos x$, $e^{ix} - e^{-ix} = 2i \sin x$, $e^{ikx} = \cos kx + i \sin kx$.

2–11 FOURIER TRANSFORMS BY INTEGRATION

Find the Fourier transform of $f(x)$ (without using Table III in Sec. 11.10). Show details.

2. $f(x) = \begin{cases} e^{2ix} & \text{if } -1 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

3. $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } a < x < b \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

4. $f(x) = \begin{cases} e^{kx} & \text{if } x < 0 \quad (k > 0) \\ 0 & \text{if } x > 0 \end{cases}$

5. $f(x) = \begin{cases} e^{x} & \text{if } -a < x < a \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

6. $f(x) = e^{-|x|} \quad (-\infty < x < \infty)$

7. $f(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } 0 < x < a \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

8. $f(x) = \begin{cases} xe^{-x} & \text{if } -1 < x < 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

9. $f(x) = \begin{cases} |x| & \text{if } -1 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

10. $f(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } -1 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

11. $f(x) = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } -1 < x < 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } 0 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

12–17 USE OF TABLE III IN SEC. 11.10. OTHER METHODS

12. Find $\mathscr{F}(f(x))$ for $f(x) = xe^{-x}$ if $x > 0$, $f(x) = 0$ if $x < 0$, by (9) in the text and formula 5 in Table III (with $a = 1$). *Hint.* Consider xe^{-x} and e^{-x}.

13. Obtain $\mathscr{F}(e^{-x^2/2})$ from Table III.

14. In Table III obtain formula 7 from formula 8.

15. In Table III obtain formula 1 from formula 2.

16. TEAM PROJECT. Shifting (a) Show that if $f(x)$ has a Fourier transform, so does $f(x - a)$, and $\mathscr{F}\{f(x - a)\} = e^{-iwa}\mathscr{F}\{f(x)\}$.

(b) Using (a), obtain formula 1 in Table III, Sec. 11.10, from formula 2.

(c) Shifting on the *w*-Axis. Show that if $\hat{f}(w)$ is the Fourier transform of $f(x)$, then $\hat{f}(w - a)$ is the Fourier transform of $e^{iax}f(x)$.

(d) Using (c), obtain formula 7 in Table III from 1 and formula 8 from 2.

17. What could give you the idea to solve Prob. 11 by using the solution of Prob. 9 and formula (9) in the text? Would this work?

18–25 DISCRETE FOURIER TRANSFORM

18. Verify the calculations in Example 4 of the text.

19. Find the transform of a general signal $f = [f_1 \;\; f_2 \;\; f_3 \;\; f_4]^T$ of four values.

20. Find the inverse matrix in Example 4 of the text and use it to recover the given signal.

21. Find the transform (the frequency spectrum) of a general signal of two values $[f_1 \;\; f_2]^T$.

22. Recreate the given signal in Prob. 21 from the frequency spectrum obtained.

23. Show that for a signal of eight sample values, $w = e^{-i/4} = (1 - i)/\sqrt{2}$. Check by squaring.

24. Write the Fourier matrix **F** for a sample of eight values explicitly.

25. CAS Problem. Calculate the inverse of the 8×8 Fourier matrix. Transform a general sample of eight values and transform it back to the given data.