

Mathematics 4K (TMA4120)

Lecture 7

Summary: Fourier series

1. Fourier series of $p = 2L$ -periodic $f(x)$:

$$S_f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(a_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} + b_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \right)$$

where $a_0 = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) dx,$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx,$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx$$

2. Odd and even functions

Even $g(-x) = g(x)$

$$\int_{-L}^L g(x) dx = 2 \int_0^L g(x) dx$$

Odd $h(-x) = -h(x)$

$$\int_{-L}^L h(x) dx = 0$$

even \cdot even = odd \cdot odd = even; odd \cdot even = odd

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4. Fourier sin and cos series:

$$f \text{ even: } S_f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L},$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L f(x) dx, \quad a_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx$$

$$f \text{ odd: } S_f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L},$$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx$$

5. Even and odd $2L$ -periodic extensions of $f(x)$, $0 \leq x \leq L$:

$$f_1(x), x \in \mathbb{R}, \text{ even, } 2L\text{-periodic, } f_1 = f \text{ on } [0, L],$$

$$S_{f_1}(x) = \text{cos-series} =: \text{the Fourier cos series of } f$$

$$f_2(x), x \in \mathbb{R}, \text{ odd, } 2L\text{-periodic, } f_2 = f \text{ on } [0, L],$$

$$S_{f_2}(x) = \text{sin-series} =: \text{the Fourier sin series of } f$$

6. **OBS:** $f = f_1 = f_2$ on $[0, L]$, $f_1 \neq f_2$, f not defined on $[0, L]^c$!

Lecture 7: Fourier Series

Kreyszig: Section 11.4 (10th ed.) and Section 11.4 in 9th ed.!

1. Approximation with trigonometric polynomials
2. Bessel's inequality, Parseval's identity
3. Complex Fourier series
4. Examples

Section 11.4 in 9th ed. available on course wiki page (Fremdriftsplan).

Homework: Repeat complex *numbers*, *absolute values*, *exponentials* [Mat 3]

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Approximation

Taylor: $f \in C^{k+1} \Rightarrow f(x) \approx \tilde{a}_0 + \tilde{a}_1 x + \dots + \tilde{a}_k x^k$
around $x=0$.

$$\tilde{a}_k = \frac{f^{(k)}(0)}{k!}$$

Fourier: $f(x)$: 2π -periodic

$$S_f(x) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^k (a_n \cos(n\pi x) + b_n \sin(n\pi x)) \right)$$

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$S_{f,k}$

("Fourier partial sum")

we want to approximate $f(x)$ by

$$f(x) \approx S_{f,k}(x)$$

Definition

a) $P_k(x)$ is called a trigonometric polynomial of degree k , if

$$P_k(x) = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^k (A_n \cos(nx) + B_n \sin(nx))$$

where A_0, A_n, B_n can be chosen arbitrarily.

b) L^2 "mean-square" error

$$\|f - g\|^2 := \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x) - g(x)|^2 dx$$

notice $\|f\|^2 = \langle f, f \rangle = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x)|^2 dx$.

Theorem 1

$$a) \|f(x) - S_{f,k}(x)\|^2 \leq \|f(x) - P_k(x)\|^2$$

for all P_k .

($S_{f,k}$ is the best possible approximation)

of f , amongst all k -th degree trigonometric polynomials

$$h) \| f(x) - \sum_{f, k} p_k(x) \|^2 = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (f(x))^2 dx - \pi \left[2a_0^2 + \sum_{n=1}^k [a_n^2 + b_n^2] \right]$$

Proof)

Step 1). $\| f(x) - P_k(x) \|^2$

$$= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (f(x))^2 - 2f(x) P_k(x) + (P_k(x))^2 dx$$

Step 2
Step 3

Step 2) $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) P_k(x) dx$

$$= A_0 \underbrace{\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx}_{2\pi a_0} + \sum_{n=1}^k \left[A_n \underbrace{\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos(n\pi) dx}_{\pi a_n} + B_n \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin(n\pi) dx \right]$$

$$\overbrace{\hspace{10em}}^{\pi b_n}$$

Step 3) $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (P_k(x))^2 dx = \pi [2A_0^2 + \sum_{n=1}^k (A_n^2 + B_n^2)]$

(Using orthogonality of trigonometric system)
 $f, g \in \mathcal{T} \Rightarrow \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f \cdot g dx = 0$
 ($f \neq g$)

Step 4) From step 1,

$$P_k^2 = (A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^k A_n \cos(nx) + B_n \sin(nx))^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|f - P_k\|^2 &= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (f(x))^2 dx \\ &\quad - 2\pi [2A_0 a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^k [A_n a_n + B_n b_n]] \\ &\quad + \pi [A_0^2 + \sum_{n=1}^k (A_n^2 + B_n^2)] \\ &\stackrel{=}{=} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (f(x))^2 dx - \pi [2a_0^2 + \sum_{n=1}^k (a_n^2 + b_n^2)] \\ &\quad + \pi [2(a_0 - A_0)^2 + \sum_{n=1}^k [(a_n - A_n)^2 \\ &\quad \quad + (b_n - B_n)^2]] \end{aligned}$$

$$(A - a)^2 = A^2 - 2aA + a^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A^2 - 2aA = -a^2 + (A - a)^2$$

(- parts 20)

Step 5). To minimize this, choose $A_n = a_n$
 $B_n = b_n$

$$\|f - S_{f,h}\|^2 = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (f(x))^2 dx - \pi \left[2a_0^2 + \sum_{n=1}^k [a_n^2 + b_n^2] \right]$$

$$\leq \|f - P_k\|^2 \quad \text{for all } P_k$$



Ex 1.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -1, & -\pi < x < 0 \\ 1, & 0 < x < \pi. \end{cases}$$

$$f(x+2\pi) = f(x), \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

$$S_f(x) = \frac{4}{\pi} \left(\sin(x) + \frac{1}{3} \sin(3x) + \frac{1}{5} \sin(5x) + \dots \right)$$

Problem: find the minimum k and

the corresponding $S_{f,k}$ such that

$$\|f - S_{f,k}\|^2 \leq \frac{1}{15} \|f\|^2$$

("relative L^2 error" $\leq \frac{1}{15}$)

$$\|f\|^2 = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (f(x))^2 dx = 2\pi$$

$$\frac{2\pi}{15} \approx 0.419 \dots$$

$k=1$. $S_{f,1}(x) = \frac{4}{\pi} \sin(x)$

$$\|f - S_{f,1}\|^2 \stackrel{\text{thm 1.4)}}{=} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (f(x))^2 dx - \pi \cdot \left(\frac{4}{\pi}\right)^2$$

thm 1.4)

$$= 1.2 \dots > 0.419 \dots$$

$k=5$. $\|f - S_{f,5}\|^2 = (2\pi) - \pi \cdot \left(\frac{4}{\pi}\right)^2 \left(1^2 + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2}\right)$

$$= 0.4206 \dots > 0.419 \dots$$

$k \rightarrow \infty$

[Bessel's inequality]

$$2a_0^2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n^2 + b_n^2) \leq \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (f(x))^2 dx$$

[Parseval's identity]

If f satisfies $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (f(x))^2 dx < \infty$, then

$$2a_0^2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n^2 + b_n^2) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (f(x))^2 dx$$

Proof) "Ikke Pensum"

proving $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (f(x) - S_{f,h}^k(x))^2 dx = 0.$

Ex 2. Calculate.

$$Q = 1 + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{(2n+1)^2} + \dots$$

We use

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -1, & -\pi < x < 0. \\ 1, & 0 < x < \pi. \end{cases}$$

$$S_f(x) = \frac{4}{\pi} \left(\sin(x) + \frac{1}{3} \sin(3x) + \dots \right)$$

by using Parseval's identity.

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (f(x))^2 dx \stackrel{\downarrow}{=} \left(\frac{4}{\pi}\right)^2 \left(1^2 + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \dots\right)$$

$$\stackrel{\parallel}{=} 2 \cdot \left(\frac{4}{\pi}\right)^2 \cdot Q$$

$$\text{Thus, } Q = \frac{\pi^2}{16} \cdot 2 = \frac{\pi^2}{8}$$

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Complex Fourier Series

Recall from previous courses ("Mat 3"?), ...

$$z = x + iy \in \mathbb{C}, \quad x, y \in \mathbb{R}, \quad i^2 = -1.$$

$$(1) e^z = e^{x+iy} = e^x (\cos(y) + i \sin(y))$$

$$(2) e^{iy} + e^{-iy} = 2 \cos(y)$$

$$(3) e^{iy} - e^{-iy} = 2i \sin(y)$$

Fourier series with $P=2\pi$.

$$S_f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos(nx) + b_n \sin(nx))$$

$$a_n \cos(nx) + b_n \sin(nx)$$

$$\stackrel{(2),(3)}{=} a_n \cdot \frac{1}{2} (e^{inx} + e^{-inx}) + b_n \frac{1}{2i} (e^{iy} - e^{-iy})$$

$$\stackrel{\frac{1}{i} = -i}{=} \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} (a_n - ib_n)}_{C_n} e^{inx} + \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{(a_n + ib_n)}_{C_{-n}} e^{-inx}$$

Thus,

$$S_{f,k}(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^k (C_n e^{inx} + C_{-n} e^{-inx})$$

$$= \sum_{n=-k}^k (C_n e^{inx}) \quad \text{--- } \textcircled{\star}$$

Remarks

$$C_n = \frac{1}{2} (a_n - i b_n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \underbrace{(\cos(nx) - i \sin(nx))}_{\parallel e^{-inx}} dx$$

$$C_{-n} = \frac{1}{2} (a_n + i b_n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \underbrace{(\cos(nx) + i \sin(nx))}_{\parallel e^{inx}} dx$$

$$C_0 = a_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cdot e^{-i \cdot 0 \cdot x} dx$$

Conclusion (\star : $k \rightarrow \infty$)

Complex Fourier series for 2π -periodic function $f(x)$

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} C_n e^{inx}, \quad C_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) e^{-inx} dx.$$

Note: Parseval's identity for this complex

case is given by ...

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x)|^2 dx = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |C_n|^2$$

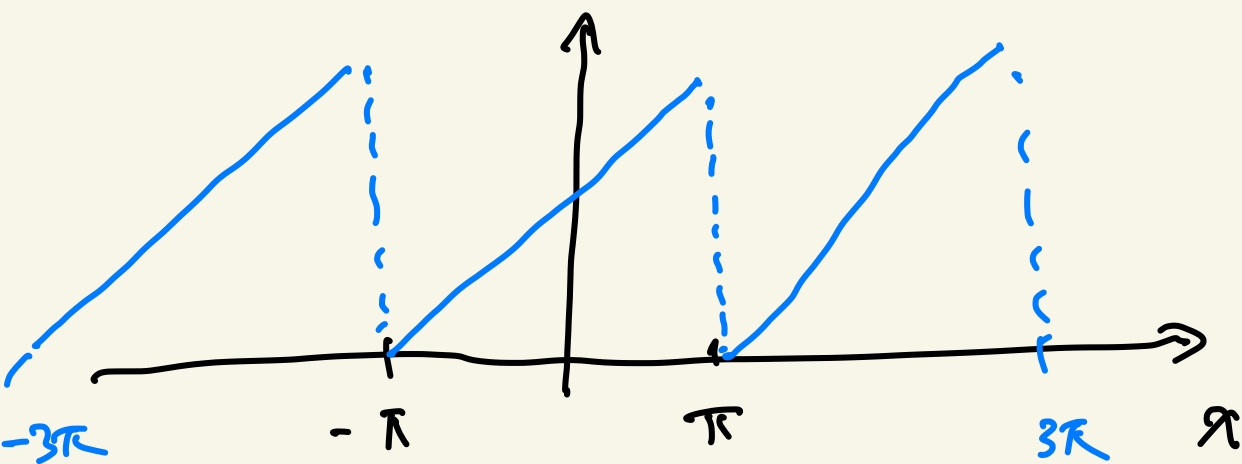
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complex numbers !!

$$|C_n|^2 + |C_{-n}|^2 = \frac{a_n^2 + b_n^2}{2}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} C = x + iy \in \mathbb{C} \\ x, y \in \mathbb{R} \quad |C| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \end{array} \right]$$

EX3. $f(x) = x + \pi$, $-\pi < x < \pi$.

$$f(x+2\pi) = f(x) \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathbb{R}.$$



What are C_n 's?

$n \neq 0$.

$$C_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) e^{-inx} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (x+\pi) e^{-inx} dx$$

int. by parts

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[(x+\pi) \frac{1}{-in} e^{-inx} \right]_{-\pi}^{\pi} - \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1}{(-in)} e^{-inx} dx$$

$\frac{1}{-i} = i$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{i}{n} (2\pi e^{-in\pi} - 0) - \frac{1}{2\pi} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^2 (e^{-in\pi} - e^{in\pi})$$

$$= \frac{i}{n} (\cos(-n\pi) + \underbrace{i \sin(-n\pi)}_0) + \frac{1}{2\pi n^2} (-2i \underbrace{\sin(n\pi)}_0)$$

$$= \frac{i}{n} \cos(n\pi) \quad (= \frac{i}{n} (-1)^n)$$

$n=0$

$$C_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (x+\pi) dx = \pi$$

Thus, the complex Fourier series of f is

$$S_f(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} C_n e^{inx} = \pi + \sum_{\substack{n=-\infty \\ n \neq 0}}^{\infty} \frac{i(-1)^n}{n} e^{inx}$$

Remark. Why do we have " e^{-inx} "?

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$$C_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) e^{-in\pi} dx \quad ?$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \langle f, \cos(n\pi) \rangle = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos(n\pi) dx$$

$$(b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin(n\pi) dx)$$

For complex functions, L^2 inner-product is defined by

$$\langle f, g \rangle := \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cdot \overline{g(x)} dx.$$

Therefore,

$$C_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \langle f, e^{in\pi} \rangle = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cdot \overline{e^{in\pi}} dx$$

$$\cos(n\pi) + i\sin(n\pi)$$

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$$\cos(n\pi) - i\sin(n\pi)$$

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$$e^{-in\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) e^{-in\pi} dx$$

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Approximation of $f(x)$ by trigonometric polynomial

$$P_k(x) = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^k (A_n \cos nx + B_n \sin nx).$$

Mean square (L^2) error minimal when $P_k = S_{f,k}$:

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x) - S_{f,k}(x)|^2 dx \leq \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x) - P_k(x)|^2 dx$$

for all $P_k(x)$

where the k -th Fourier partial sum $S_{f,k}$ is

$$S_{f,k}(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^k (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx).$$

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$$\|f - S_{f,k}\|^2 = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x)^2 dx - \pi \left[2a_0^2 + \sum_{n=1}^k (a_n^2 + b_n^2) \right]$$

Bessel's inequality

$$2a_0^2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n^2 + b_n^2) \leq \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x)^2 dx$$

Parseval's identity

$$2a_0^2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n^2 + b_n^2) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x)^2 dx$$

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Fourier series of $2L$ -periodic $f(x)$:

$$S_f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(a_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} + b_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \right)$$

Complex Fourier series of $2L$ -periodic $f(x)$:

$$S_f(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{i \frac{n\pi x}{L}}, \quad c_n = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) e^{-i \frac{n\pi x}{L}} dx$$

Summary: Fourier series

1. **Fourier series** of 2π -periodic $f(x)$:

$$S_f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx)$$

$$S_{f,k}(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^k (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx) \quad k\text{-th partial sum}$$

2. **Approximation of $f(x)$ by trigonometric polynomial**

$$P_k(x) = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^k (A_n \cos nx + B_n \sin nx)$$

Mean square (or L^2) error:

$$\|f - P_k\|^2 := \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x) - P_k(x)|^2 dx$$

$S_{f,k}(x)$ **best approximation** (least error):

$$\|f - S_{f,k}\|^2 \leq \|f - P_k\|^2 \quad \text{for all } P_k(x)$$

Obs:

$$\|f - S_{f,k}\|^2 = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x)^2 dx - \pi \left[2a_0^2 + \sum_{n=1}^k (a_n^2 + b_n^2) \right]$$

Summary: Fourier series

5. **Fourier series** of $2L$ -periodic $f(x)$:

$$S_f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(a_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} + b_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \right)$$

6. **Complex Fourier series** of $2L$ -periodic $f(x)$:

$$S_f(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{i \frac{n\pi x}{L}}$$

$$c_n = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) e^{-i \frac{n\pi x}{L}} dx$$

$$\text{OBS: } \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{i \frac{n\pi x}{L}} = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(a_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} + b_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \right) !!!$$