

So the series converges pointwise to 0 \$

Uniform convergence

$$\max_{[0,1]} \frac{Nx}{1+N^2x^4}$$

$$g'(x) = \frac{N(1+N^2x^4) - Nx4N^2x^3}{(1+N^2x^4)^2} = \frac{N + N^3x^4 - 4N^3x^3}{(1+N^2x^4)^2} = 0$$

$$3N^3x^4 = 0 \quad x = \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{3N}} \quad x = \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{3N}}$$

$$\max_{[0,1]} \left(\frac{N(3N)^{-\frac{1}{4}}}{1+N^2\frac{1}{3N}} \right) = \frac{N(3N)^{-\frac{1}{4}}}{1+\frac{N}{3}} \xrightarrow[N \rightarrow \infty]{} 0$$

Cauchy L^2 convergence follows.

Back to Fourier Series:

Lecture # 20

Theorem 2: (Uniform Convergence)

The Fourier Series $\sum A_n X_n(x)$ converges to $f(x)$ uniformly in $[a,b]$ provided

- $f(x), f'(x), f''(x)$ exist and are continuous on $[a,b]$
- $f(x)$ satisfies the given symmetric boundary conditions.

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Theorem 3 : (L^2 converges)

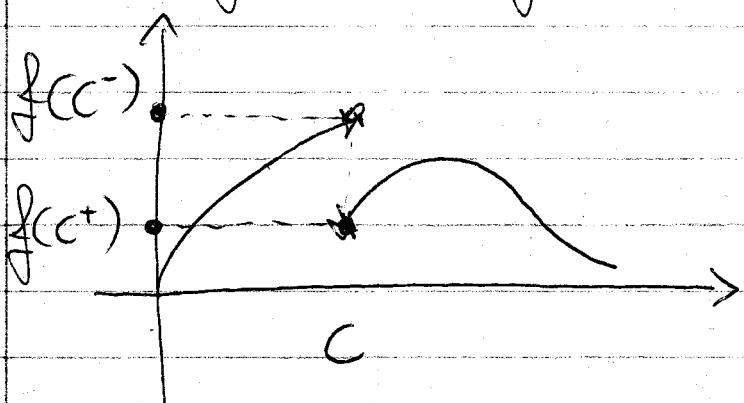
For any f in $L^2([0, b])$ ~~its F.S.~~ $\sum A_n X_n(x)$ converges to f in L^2 sense.

Definition: A function f has a jump discontinuity at a point c if

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c^+} f(x) = f(c^+) \text{ exists}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow c^-} f(x) = f(c^-) = =$$

but $f(c^+) \neq f(c^-)$



Remark: By this definition f may not even be defined at c !

Definition: f is piecewise continuous on $[a, b]$ if f admits only finitely many points of ^{jump} discontinuity.

Theorem 4 (Pointwise Convergence)

i) The classical Fourier Series (full, sin or cos)

converges to $f(x)$ pointwise in (a, b) , provided that $f(x)$ is a continuous function on $a \leq x \leq b$ and $f'(x)$ is piecewise continuous on $a \leq x \leq b$.

ii) More generally, if $f(x)$ itself is only piecewise continuous on $a \leq x \leq b$ and $f'(x)$ is also piecewise continuous on $a \leq x \leq b$, then the classical Fourier Series converges at every point x in $-\infty < x < \infty$, the sum is

$$\sum_n A_n X_n(x) = \frac{1}{2} [f(x+) + f(x-)]$$

for all $a < x < b$.

$$= \frac{1}{2} [f_{\text{ext}}(x+) + f_{\text{ext}}(x-)]$$

for all other x and $f_{\text{ext}}(x)$ is the extended

function (periodic, odd periodic, even periodic,

Theorem 4': If $f(a)$ is a function of period $2L$

on the line for which $f(x)$ and $f'(x)$ are piecewise continuous, then the classical full Fourier series converges to $\frac{1}{2} [f(x+) + f(x-)]$ for all x .

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Example

$f(x) = 1$ on $(0, \pi)$. This is an even function so its F.S. is sin-type

$$A_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi 1 \cdot \sin nx dx$$

$$nx = y \quad dx = \frac{1}{n} dy \quad = \frac{2}{n\pi} \int_0^{n\pi} \sin y dy = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } n \text{ even} \\ \frac{4}{n\pi} & \text{for } n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

$$1 = \sum_{\substack{n \text{ odd} \\ n \in \mathbb{N}}} \frac{4}{n\pi} \sin nx$$

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in what sense?

By Theorem 4 the convergence is definitely pointwise in $0 < x < \pi$.

Is the convergence uniformly? A uniform convergence would imply a pointwise converges at 0 and at π .
But

$$\sum_{n \text{ odd}} \frac{4}{n\pi} \sin nx \Big|_{x=0}^{\pi} = 0 \neq 1$$

So no uniform convergence.

Does this contradict Theorem 2?

No. In fact i) is true since $f(x) = 1$ is ∞ , but ii) is not true: the ~~Dirichlet~~ BC for a sin series are Dirichlet, but $f(0) = f(\pi) \neq 0$!

Remark : By the theorem 4 it follows that (3)

for any fixed x_0 in $(0, \pi)$

$$1 = \sum_{\substack{n \text{ odd} \\ n \rightarrow \infty}} \frac{4}{n\pi} \sin nx_0$$

In particular $x_0 = \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow \sin \frac{n\pi}{2} = 1$

$$1 = \frac{\pi}{2} \sum_{\substack{n \text{ odd} \\ n \rightarrow \infty}} \frac{(-1)^{(n-1)/2}}{n} = \frac{\pi}{2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)}{2m+1}$$

In this way we can calculate the series of sequences above.

Remark 2 : The pointwise convergence is very

weak. For example if we take derivative

The ~~convergence~~ convergence is not preserved in general

$$(1)' = \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{\substack{n \text{ odd} \\ n \rightarrow \infty}} (\sin nx)' = \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{\substack{n \text{ odd} \\ n \rightarrow \infty}} n \cos nx$$

$$0 = \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{\substack{n \text{ odd} \\ n \rightarrow \infty}} n \cos nx$$

Then series does not converge bounded limit $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \cos nx$ does not exist! n → ∞

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Lecture #20 continued

Theorem Recall again that $f \in L^2(a, b) \iff$

$$\|f\|_{L^2} = \left(\int_a^b |f(x)|^2 dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} < \infty$$

Theorem: Let $\{x_n\}$ be any orthogonal set of functions in $L^2(a, b)$. Let $\|f\|_{L^2} < \infty$. Let N be a fixed positive integer. Among all possible choices of N constants c_1, \dots, c_N , the choice that minimize

$$\left\| f - \sum_{n=1}^N c_n x_n \right\|_{L^2}$$

is $c_1 = A_1, \dots, c_n = A_n$ when

$$A_i = \frac{\langle f, x_i \rangle}{\langle x_i, x_i \rangle}$$

Proof: U.l.o. of some x_n not related to f also.

$$E_N = \left\| f - \sum_{n \leq N} c_n x_n \right\|_{L^2}^2 = \int_a^b \left| f(x) - \sum_{n=1}^N c_n x_n(x) \right|^2 dx$$

Take the square

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$$E_N = \int_a^b |f(x)|^2 dx - 2 \sum_{n=1}^N c_n \int f(x) X_n(x) dx$$

$$+ \sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{m=1}^N c_n c_m \int X_n(x) X_m(x) dx$$

$\underbrace{\sum_{n=1}^N c_n^2 \int_a^b |X_n|^2 dx}$

$$E_N = \|f\|_{L^2}^2 - 2 \sum_{n=1}^N c_n \langle f, X_n \rangle + \sum_{n=1}^N c_n^2 \|X_n\|_{L^2}^2$$

Complete the square

$$= \cancel{\|f\|_{L^2}^2} + \sum_{n=1}^N \|X_n\|_{L^2}^2 \left[c_n - \frac{\langle f, X_n \rangle}{\|X_n\|_{L^2}^2} \right]^2$$

$$- \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{\langle f, X_n \rangle^2}{\langle X_n, X_n \rangle}$$

Clearly the smallest E_N is obtained when

$$[\] = 0 \Leftrightarrow c_n = \frac{\langle f, X_n \rangle}{\|X_n\|_{L^2}^2}$$

Remark:

Q.E.D.

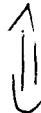
If $c_n = A_n$ then we get

$$0 \leq E_N = \|f\|_{L^2}^2 - \sum_{n=1}^N A_n^2 |\langle X_n, X_n \rangle|^2$$

so in particular

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$$\sum_{n=1}^N A_n^2 \|X_n\|^2 \leq \|f\|_{L^2}^2$$



$$\sum_{n=1}^N A_n^2 \int_a^b |X_n(x)|^2 dx \leq \int_a^b |f(x)|^2 dx$$

(Bessel's inequality)

Theorem 6: Assume f is in L^2 . The Fourier Series of $f(x)$ converges to $f(x)$ in L^2 iff

$$(*) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |A_n|^2 \int_a^b |X_n(x)|^2 dx = \int_a^b |f(x)|^2 dx$$

Proof: (Parseval's equality -)

Using the above notation

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n X_n \xrightarrow{L^2} f \iff$$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \sum_{n=1}^N A_n X_n - f \right\|_{L^2}^2 = 0 \iff \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} E_N = 0$$

But we just proved that

$$E_N = \int_a^b |f(x)|^2 dx - \sum_{n=1}^N A_n^2 \int_a^b |X_n(x)|^2 dx$$

so (*).

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Definition: An infinite orthogonal set of functions in $L^2(a,b)$ $\{X_1(x), X_2(x), \dots\}$ is called complete if the Poncaré Equality holds. (\Leftrightarrow Any function in $L^2(a,b)$ can be written as the F.S. associated to $\{X_1(x), \dots, X_n(x)\}$.

Corollary to Theorem 3 [Associated to the orthogonal set of even eigenfunctions with symmetric B.C.]
For any f in $L^2(0,b)$ the Poncaré equality holds.

Proof of the Convergence Theorems:

Proof of Theorem 2: Uniform convergence with sinc-like convergence
Consider the trigonometric F.S. on functions of period 2π .
Assume f, f' are continuous.

$$A_n = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx \frac{dx}{\pi} \quad n=0, 1, \dots, \pi$$

$$B_n = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx \frac{dx}{\pi} \quad n=1, 2, \dots, \pi$$

$$A'_n = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f'(x) \cos nx \frac{dx}{\pi} \quad n=0, 1, \dots, \pi$$

$$B'_n = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f'(x) \sin nx \frac{dx}{\pi} \quad n=1, 2, \dots, \pi$$

Obtained by integration by parts

$$(A) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} A_n = -\frac{1}{n} B'_n \quad n \neq 0 \\ B_n = \frac{1}{n} A'_n \end{array} \right.$$

From Bessel's inequality

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |A'_n|^2 + |B'_n|^2 \leq \int_a^b |f(x)|^2 dx < \infty$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (|A_n \cos nx| + |B_n \sin nx|) &\leq \\ &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (|A_n| + |B_n|) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} (\|B'_n\| + \|A'_n\|) \end{aligned}$$

Recall ~~Cauchy~~ Schwarz's inequality

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n b_n \leq \left(\sum a_n^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\sum b_n^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

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$$\leq \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|B'_n\|^2 + \|A'_n\|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \stackrel{\text{A}}{\leq} \stackrel{\text{C}}{\leq} C$$

So the series is absolutely convergent

Now by Theorem 4 we already know that
the Fourier Series converges to f pointwise

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \cos nx + B_n \sin nx$$

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