

Lecture 11 Solution to the Dirichlet problem on the unit disc

Parseval's : f continuous on $[-\pi, \pi]$, 2π -periodic

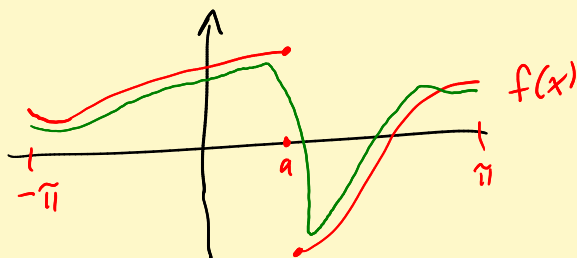
$$0 \leq \underbrace{\left\| f - \sum_{-N}^N c_n e^{inx} \right\|^2}_{= \|f\|^2 - \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{-N}^N |c_n|^2} \leq \underbrace{\left\| f - \sum_{-N}^N A_n e^{inx} \right\|^2}_{\text{can make } < \varepsilon \text{ by Fejér's}}$$

Bessel's, Fejér's $\Rightarrow$ Parseval's : $\|f\|^2 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} |c_n|^2$

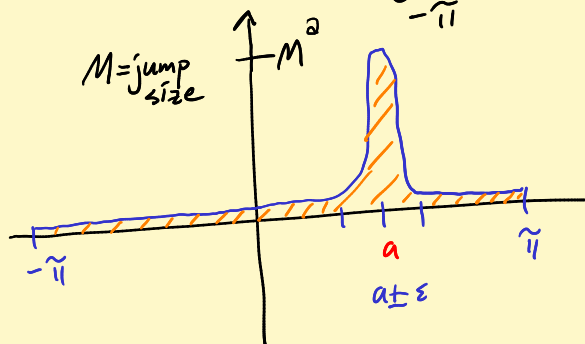
Hmmm. Bessel's holds when f is continuous, with finitely many jumps on $[-\pi, \pi]$. Does Parseval's hold?

Yes, because ...

Trick



$$\| \text{Red} - \text{Green} \|^2 = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (\text{Red} - \text{Green})^2 dx$$



Area can be made as small as desired.

Conclusion: Parseval's holds for piecewise continuous fns.
In particular, endpoints at $\pm\pi$ don't have to connect.

Big fact: Fourier series for f converges to f in L^2 ! 2

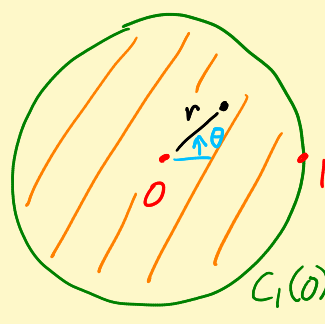
Riemann integration has limitations!

$\exists$ Riemann integrable fcn f_n that are a Cauchy seq in $L^2[-\pi, \pi]$ that don't converge to a Riemann integrable fcn! Need Lebesgue integral.

Dirichlet problem

Know temp on unit circle $C_1(0)$, which is held steady. Let

temp reach steady state.



$C_1(0)$ = green circle

$$D_1(0) = \{(x, y) : \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} < 1\}$$

Heat eqn : $\underbrace{\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}}_{=0} = c^2 \Delta u$

at steady state.

Solutions to steady state heat problem are harmonic fcn,

meaning that $\underbrace{\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \right)}_{\Delta} u \equiv 0$

$$\Delta u \equiv 0$$

Laplace eqn

Dirichlet problem: 1) Need $\Delta u \equiv 0$ in $D_1(0)$

2) u continuous up to $C_1(0)$

3) $u(1, \theta) = f(\theta) \leftarrow$ given fcn

$$0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$$

[Note: $f(0) = f(2\pi)$ so f cont on $C_1(0)$.]

(For f to be C^1 -smooth on $C_1(v)$, need $f'(0) = f'(2\pi)$ too.)

MA 261: $\Delta u = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = \underbrace{\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \theta^2}}_{\text{Laplacian in polar coords}}$

Try "separation of variables".

Look for $u(r, \theta) = R(r) \Theta(\theta)$

$\Delta u \stackrel{\text{want}}{=} 0$

$$R''\Theta + \frac{1}{r} R'\Theta + \frac{1}{r^2} R\Theta'' = 0$$

Divide by $R\Theta$. Multiply by r^2 .

$$\boxed{\frac{r^2 R'' + r R'}{R} = -\frac{\Theta''}{\Theta}} = \lambda, \text{ a const}$$

(Let $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$, etc.)

Two ODEs:

$$\begin{cases} \Theta'' + \lambda \Theta = 0 \\ r^2 R'' + r R' - \lambda R = 0 \leftarrow \text{Euler eqn} \end{cases}$$

Θ problem

$$\Theta'' + \lambda \Theta = 0$$

"Periodic boundary conditions" $\begin{cases} \Theta(0) = \Theta(2\pi) \\ \Theta'(0) = \Theta'(2\pi) \end{cases}$

No jumps, no kinks at $0, 2\pi$ connection.

$$\underline{\lambda = 0} \quad \mathbb{H}'' \equiv 0$$

$$\mathbb{H}(\theta) = A\theta + B$$

$$\mathbb{H}(0) = B$$

$$\mathbb{H}(\theta) \equiv B$$

$$\mathbb{H}(2\pi) = A \cdot 2\pi + B$$

↑ see need $A=0$.

$$\mathbb{H}'(0) = 0 = \mathbb{H}'(2\pi). \text{ Oh good!}$$

Get possible solⁿ

$$\boxed{\mathbb{H}(\theta) = 1} \quad \text{when } \lambda = 0.$$

Write $\mathbb{H}_0(\theta) = 1$. (Take $B=1$)

$$\underline{\lambda < 0} \quad \text{Get } \mathbb{H}(\theta) = c_1 e^{k\theta} + c_2 e^{-k\theta} \quad (\lambda = -k^2)$$

Ouch! Can't satisfy periodic B.C.

Get no solⁿs except the $\equiv 0$ solⁿs.

$$\underline{\lambda > 0} \quad \text{Get periodic solⁿ's exactly when } \lambda = n^2$$

$$\boxed{\mathbb{H}_n(\theta) = a_n \cos n\theta + b_n \sin n\theta}$$

Need to solve Euler eqn for $\lambda = 0, 1^2, 2^2, 3^2, \dots$

$\lambda = 0$ will be easy.

$$\lambda \neq 0 \quad r^2 R'' + r R' - \lambda R = 0$$

Euler's idea. Try $R(r) = r^p$ and make it work.