

Lecture 5 Complex notation for Fourier series

Complex exponential $E(x+iy) = e^x \cos y + i e^x \sin y$

Facts about $E(z) = e^z$: 0) $E(0) = 1$

1) $E(z)$ is complex diff'ble $\lim_{z \rightarrow a} \frac{E(z) - E(a)}{z - a}$ exists

[call it $E'(z)$]. And $E'(z) = E(z)$!

2) $E(z+w) = E(z)E(w)$ $\leftarrow$ Pf: Just use $e^{x_1+x_2} = e^{x_1}e^{x_2}$ and sum of angles trig formulas.

3) $E(x) = e^x$ when $x \in \mathbb{R}$. $\leftarrow$ $E(z)$ is the only $\mathbb{C}$ -diff'ble fcn on $\mathbb{C}$ agreeing with e^x on $\mathbb{R}$

4) $E(i\theta) = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$ and (2) yields de Moivre's
 $(e^{i\theta})^N = e^{iN\theta}$

5) $e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$
 $e^{-i\theta} = \cos \theta - i \sin \theta$

$$(+) : \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}(e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta})$$

$$(-) : \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2i}(e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta})$$

Me: $y'' + k^2 y = 0$

Try $y = e^{rx}$.

$$y' = r e^{rx}, \quad y'' = r^2 e^{rx}$$

Plug in $r^2 e^{rx} + k^2 e^{rx} = 0$ ← want
 $(r^2 + k^2) e^{rx} = 0$ ← want
↑ never zero

Need $\boxed{r^2 + k^2 = 0}$

So $r = \pm ik$.

Me: e^{ikx} is a complex solⁿ
 $= \cos kx + i \sin kx$

Verify: $\underbrace{(\cos kx + i \sin kx)''}_{-k^2 \cos kx + i(-k^2 \sin kx)} + k^2 (\cos kx + i \sin kx) = 0$

Aha! $[u + iv]'' + k^2 [u + iv] = 0$

$\underbrace{[u'' + k^2 u]} + i \underbrace{[v'' + k^2 v]} = 0$

$u = \operatorname{Re} e^{ikx} = \cos kx$ $v = \operatorname{Im} e^{ikx} = \sin kx$

are two real solⁿs.

$y = c_1 \cos kx + c_2 \sin kx$ is a real solⁿ.

Can solve any I.V.P. So it is the gen^l solⁿ.

Remark: Hmmm. e^{-ikx} is also a complex solⁿ.

Get $y = c_1 \cos kx + c_2 (-\sin kx)$ ← same real solⁿ

Seeley: Get two complex sol's $y = e^{ikx}, e^{-ikx}$

Get more complex sol's $y = \underbrace{c_1 e^{ikx} + c_2 e^{-ikx}}_y$

EX: Solve $y'' + k^2 y = 0$

$$\begin{cases} y(0) = 0 \\ y'(0) = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$y' = c_1 i k e^{ikx} - c_2 i k e^{-ikx}$$

$c_2 = -c_1 \rightarrow$

$$\begin{cases} y(0) = c_1 + c_2 = 0 \\ y'(0) = c_1 i k - c_2 i k = 1 \end{cases}$$

want

$$c_1 i k - (-c_1) i k = 1$$

$$c_1 = \frac{1}{2ik} \quad c_2 = -\frac{1}{2ik}$$

$$\text{So } y = \frac{1}{2ik} e^{ikx} - \frac{1}{2ik} e^{-ikx}$$

$$= \frac{1}{k} \left(\frac{e^{ikx} - e^{-ikx}}{2i} \right) = \frac{1}{k} \sin kx \quad \checkmark$$

Complex Fourier series:

$$f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(a_n \underbrace{\cos nx}_{\frac{e^{inx} + e^{-inx}}{2}} + b_n \underbrace{\sin nx}_{\frac{e^{inx} - e^{-inx}}{2i}} \right) \text{ on } [-\pi, \pi]$$

Need

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

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

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

$$f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[\left(\frac{1}{2} \left(a_n + \frac{b_n}{i} \right) \right) e^{inx} + \left(\frac{1}{2} \left(a_n - \frac{b_n}{i} \right) \right) e^{-inx} \right]$$

Hmmm.

$$\underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left(a_n + \frac{b_n}{i} \right)}_{c_n} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{i} \left[\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \underbrace{f(x) \cos nx dx - i f(x) \sin nx dx}_{f(x) e^{-inx}} \right]$$

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

Same with c_{-n} in place of n !

Wow!

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

Another way to think about it: Complex inner product

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

Fact: $\{ e^{inx} \}_{n=-\infty}^{\infty}$ are orthogonal.

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{inx} \overline{e^{imx}} dx = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{inx} e^{-imx} dx$$

$$= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{i(n-m)x} dx$$

$$= \underbrace{\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos(n-m)x \, dx}_{=0 \text{ if } n \neq m} + i \underbrace{\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin(n-m)x \, dx}_{=0 \text{ if } n \neq m}.$$

$$n=m: \quad \langle e^{inx}, e^{inx} \rangle = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \underbrace{e^{i \cdot 0 x}}_1 dx = 2\pi$$

Defⁿ: Trigonometric polynomials:

$$a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^N (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx) = \sum_{n=-N}^N c_n e^{inx}$$

$$\text{Why poly? } (e^{inx}) = (e^{ix})^n$$

↑
Trig poly
of degree
N

Bessel's inequality:

In the context of Fourier series: The partial sum

$$\sum_{n=-N}^N c_n e^{inx} \quad \text{where} \quad c_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \underbrace{e^{-inx}}_{e^{inx}} dx$$

is the best approximation to f among trig polys of degree N in $L^2[-\pi, \pi]$.

Defⁿ: $\langle f, g \rangle = \text{complex inner product. } (L^2\text{-inner prod})$

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

Fact: $\left\| f - \sum_{-N}^N \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{Fourier} \\ \text{coeff}}}{c_n} e^{inx} \right\|^2 \leq \left\| f - \sum_{-N}^N \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{any} \\ \text{coeff}}}{A_n} e^{inx} \right\|^2$

and only get equality when $c_n = A_n$, $n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots, \pm N$.

Bessel's Ineq: $f(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n \phi_n$ where ϕ_n orthonormal

meaning $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \phi_n \overline{\phi_m} dx = 0$ if $n \neq m$ and

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |\phi_n|^2 dx = \underline{\underline{1}}$$

$\nwarrow$ normalized.

Fourier series: $\phi_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{inx}$