

Lecture 40 Convolution, Legendre polynomials, review

Final Exam Tuesday eve 7:00-9:00pm in UNIV 003 (here)

$$(f * g)(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x-t)g(t)dt$$

Facts: $f, g \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$. Then

$$1) \quad \widehat{(fg)} = 2\pi \hat{f} * \hat{g}$$

$$2) \quad \widehat{f * g} = \hat{f} \cdot \hat{g}$$

} true more generally by taking limits

Pf: Simple change of vars plus Fubini.

Note: $*$ for Fourier transform is different than $*$ for Laplace transform.

For $\mathcal{L}$, the Laplace transform: $(f * g)(x) = \int_0^x f(x-t)g(t)dt$

$$\mathcal{L}[f * g] = \mathcal{L}[f] \cdot \mathcal{L}[g]$$

Legendre polynomials

$$P_n(x) = \frac{d^n}{dx^n} \underbrace{(x^2-1)^n}_{\text{poly deg } 2n} \leftarrow \text{poly deg } n$$

Easy fact: Linear span $\{P_0, P_1, P_2, \dots, P_N\} = \left(\begin{matrix} \text{polys} \\ \text{of} \\ \text{deg } N \end{matrix} \right)$

Legendre Equ:

$$(1-x^2) \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 2x \frac{dy}{dx} + \lambda y = 0$$

bad things happen solⁿs
when $x = \pm 1$

Origin: Vibrating bowling ball or hot bowling ball,
steady state or more generally =

Separation of vars: $u(\rho, \theta, \psi) = P(\rho) \Theta(\theta) \Psi(\psi)$

Get λ .

ODE in P, ρ is the Legendre equ!

Singular Sturm-Liouville problem.

Only for special λ do you get one solⁿ that is nice
at $\rho = 1$. The Legendre polys are the nice one.

n-th one: $P_n(x) = \frac{d^n}{dx^n} (x^2-1)^n \leftarrow \begin{matrix} \text{alt being} \\ \text{even and} \\ \text{odd!} \end{matrix}$

Facts: $\int_{-1}^1 P_n(x) f(x) dx = (-1)^n \int_{-1}^1 (x^2-1)^n f^{(n)}(x) dx$

(Int by parts n -times)

See $P_n \perp x^m$ when $m < n$.

So $P_n \perp P_m$ when $m < n$.

$$\begin{aligned} \|P_n\|^2 &= \int_{-1}^1 P_n(x)^2 dx = (-1)^n (2n)! \int_{-1}^1 (x^2-1)^n dx \\ &= \frac{(n!)^2 2^{n+1}}{2n+1} \end{aligned}$$

Legendre expansion:

$$f = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n P_n$$

What is c_n ?

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-1}^1 f \cdot P_m dx &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n \underbrace{\int_{-1}^1 P_n P_m dx}_{=0 \text{ } n \neq m} \\ &= c_m \int_{-1}^1 P_m^2 dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } c_m = \frac{\int_{-1}^1 f P_m dx}{\int_{-1}^1 P_m^2 dx} \leftarrow A_m$$

Bessel's ineq:

$$f = \sum b_n e_n \leftarrow e_n \text{ orthonormal}$$

$$\int_{-1}^1 e_n^2 dx = 1$$

$$\sum |b_n|^2 \leq \int_{-1}^1 |f|^2 dx$$

$$\text{Make } P_n \text{'s orthonormal via: } e_n = \frac{P_n}{\sqrt{\int_{-1}^1 P_n^2 dx}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{A_n}} P_n$$

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$$\text{Now } f = \sum c_n P_n = \sum \underbrace{c_n \sqrt{A_n}}_{b_n} \underbrace{\frac{P_n}{\sqrt{A_n}}}_{\phi_n}$$

$$\text{Bessel's: } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n c_n^2 \leq \int_{-1}^1 f^2 dx$$

Why is Bessel's = Parseval's identity for Legendre polys?

Key: Weierstraß says polys "dense" among continuous fns on $[-1, 1]$, so given continuous f on

$[-1, 1]$ and $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a linear combo of Legendre polys $p = \sum_{n=0}^N B_n P_n$ with $|p - f| < \varepsilon$

on $[-1, 1]$. Note: $\int_{-1}^1 |p - f|^2 dx \leq \underbrace{\varepsilon^2 (1 - (-1))}_{2\varepsilon^2}$

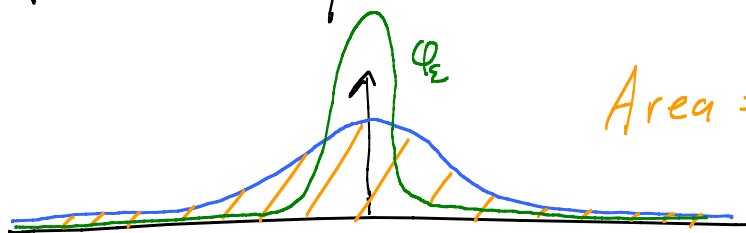
Get Parseval's like this

$$0 \leq \underbrace{\int_{-1}^1 f^2 dx - \sum_{n=0}^N b_n^2}_{\uparrow} = \int_{-1}^1 \left| f - \sum_{n=0}^N \underbrace{b_n \phi_n}_{\substack{\text{the} \\ \text{"Fourier" coeff}}} \right|^2 dx \leq \underbrace{\int_{-1}^1 \left| f - \sum_{n=0}^N B_n P_n \right|^2 dx}_{\leq 2\varepsilon^2}$$

Aha! this $\rightarrow 0$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$.

Bump fcn review prob. e^{-x^4}

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Area = $c > 0$.

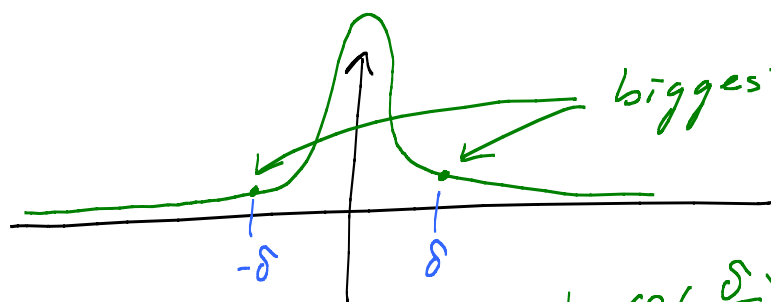
Let $\varphi(x) = \frac{1}{c} e^{-x^4}$ to get unit area

$\varphi_\varepsilon(x) = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \varphi\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right)$ is a bump fcn!

1) $\varphi_\varepsilon > 0$

2) $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi_\varepsilon dx = 1$

3) $\varphi_\varepsilon(x) \rightarrow 0$ uniformly on $\underline{(-\infty, -\delta] \cup [\delta, \infty)}$
as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$



$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \varphi\left(\frac{\delta}{\varepsilon}\right) &= \\ \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \frac{1}{c} e^{-(\delta/\varepsilon)^4} & \end{aligned}$$

$\rightarrow 0$ as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$.

Not as good as e^{-x^2} because $\widehat{e^{-x^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-s^2/4}$ ← bump fcn!