

Lecture 6

Recall: Analytic Spectral method to solve

$$L u(x) = g(x). \quad (\text{e.g. } L = \frac{d^2}{dx^2})$$

Find basis functions $\{\phi_n(x)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ such that:

$$L \phi_n(x) = \sum_{j=1}^N \lambda_{j,n} \phi_j(x)$$

$$g(x) \approx \sum_{j=1}^N b_j \phi_j(x)$$

$$\text{Let } u(x) = \sum_{j=1}^N a_j \phi_j(x).$$

$$\text{Then: } L u(x) = g(x) \Rightarrow \sum_{j=1}^N a_j \sum_{k=1}^N \lambda_{k,j} \phi_k(x) = \sum_{j=1}^N b_j \phi_j(x)$$

Comparing coefficients \Rightarrow Diff. eqt becomes algebraic eqts.

Example: Consider $u_t - \alpha u_{xx} = h(x, t)$ such that:
 $u(0, t) = u(2\pi, t) = 0$ and $u(x, 0) = f(x)$.

Assuming that $h(x, t) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^2 t \sin kx$ and $f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k \sin kx$

Solution: This time, we consider $L = \frac{d^2}{dx^2}$.

Then: we choose $\{\phi_n(x)\}_{n=1}^{\infty} = \{\cos nx, \sin nx\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$.

We assume:

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \cancel{a_n(t) \cos nx} + b_n(t) \sin nx$$

Note that $u(0, t) = u(2\pi, t) = 0$, we can remove terms with $\cos nx$

$$\therefore \text{we assume } u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n(t) \sin nx.$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - \alpha \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = h(x, t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k'(t) \sin kx + \alpha b_k(t) k^2 \sin kx = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^2 t \sin kx$$

Comparing coefficients =

$$b_k'(t) + \alpha k^2 b_k(t) = k^2 t$$

$$\text{Also, } u(x, 0) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k(0) \sin kx = f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k \sin kx$$

Comparing coefficients =

$$b_k(0) = k.$$

∴ we have:

$$\begin{cases} b_k'(t) + \alpha k^2 b_k(t) = k^2 t \\ b_k(0) = k \end{cases}$$

Can be solved using integrating factor technique:

$$\text{Let } M(t) = e^{\int \alpha k^2 dt}$$

Multiply both sides by $M(t)$ etc. --

$$\text{Answer: } b_k(t) = e^{-\alpha k^2 t} \left(k + \int_0^t k^2 s e^{\alpha k^2 s} ds \right)$$

(exercise!)

Recall: Many times we need to approximate $f(x)$ by:

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^N a_k \cos kx + b_k \sin kx \quad \text{where}$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) dx; \quad a_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \cos kx dx; \quad b_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \sin kx dx$$

Definition: (Real Fourier Series)

Consider $f(x) \in V = \{ \text{real-valued } 2\pi\text{-periodic smooth functions} \}$.

Then, the real Fourier Series of $f(x)$ is given by:

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k \cos kx + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k \sin kx, \quad \text{where } \{a_k\} \text{ and } \{b_k\} \text{ are given}$$

$$\text{by: } a_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) dx; \quad a_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \cos kx dx; \quad b_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \sin kx dx$$

Definition: (Complex Fourier Series)

Consider $f(x) \in W = \{\text{complex-valued } 2\pi\text{-periodic smooth functions}\}$

Then, the complex Fourier Series is given by =

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} C_k e^{ikx} \quad \text{where } \{C_k\} \text{ is determined by:}$$

$$C_k = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) e^{-ikx} dx \quad (\text{Here, } e^{ikx} = \cos kx + i \sin kx)$$

The integration is computed separately for the real part and imaginary part.

Example: 1. Real Fourier Series of $f(x) = \sin^2 x :=$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \underbrace{f(x)}_{\sin^2 x} dx = \frac{1}{2}, \quad a_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \underbrace{f(x)}_{\sin^2 x} \cos kx dx = \begin{cases} 0 & k \neq 2 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & k=2 \end{cases}$$

$$b_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \underbrace{f(x)}_{\sin^2 x} \sin kx dx = 0 \quad \frac{(1 - \cos 2x)}{2}$$

$$\therefore f(x) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cos 2x \quad (\text{Well-known trigonometric formula})$$

2. Real Fourier Series of $f(x) = x :=$

$$x = 2 \left(\sin x - \frac{\sin 2x}{2} + \frac{\sin 3x}{3} - \dots \right) \quad \text{for } -\pi < x < \pi$$

$$(a_0 = a_1 = a_2 = \dots = 0; \quad b_k = (-1)^{k+1} \frac{2}{k})$$

Example: Suppose $f(x) = 1$ on $[0, \pi]$.

If $f(x)$ is extended to $[-\pi, \pi]$ as an even function: $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \in [0, \pi] \\ 1 & x \in [-\pi, 0] \end{cases}$

Then, $a_0 = 1$, $a_k = b_k = 0$ for ($k \neq 0$).

\therefore Real Fourier Series of $f(x)$ is 1 (Recovering the original function)

If $f(x)$ is extended to $[-\pi, \pi]$ as an odd function: $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \in [0, \pi] \\ -1 & x \in [-\pi, 0] \end{cases}$

Then: $a_0 = 0$, $a_k = 0$, $b_k = \begin{cases} 0 & k \text{ is even} \\ \frac{4}{k\pi} & k \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$ ($k \neq 0$)

\therefore Real Fourier Series of $f(x)$ =

$$f(x) = \frac{4}{\pi} \left(\frac{\sin x}{1} + \frac{\sin 3x}{3} + \frac{\sin 5x}{5} + \dots \right) \text{ for } x \in [-\pi, \pi]$$

Relationship between real and complex Fourier Series

Recall: $e^{ikx} = \cos kx + i \sin kx$; $e^{-ikx} = \cos kx - i \sin kx$.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Let } f(x) \in V. \text{ Then: } C_k &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) e^{-ikx} dx \quad (k > 0) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos kx dx - \frac{i}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin kx dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} a_k - \frac{i}{2} b_k\end{aligned}$$

Similarly, $C_{-k} = \frac{1}{2} (a_k + i b_k)$ and $C_0 = a_0$.

Thus, $C_k = C_{-k}$ (Fourier coefficients are repeated)

Also, $a_k = C_k + C_{-k}$ etc...

Question: How well does it approximate $f(x)$?

Consider: $V_N = \left\{ F(x) = \sum_{k=0}^N A_k \cos kx + B_k \sin kx : A_k, B_k \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$

For any 2π -periodic function, define:

$$\begin{aligned} \|f - F\|^2 &:= E(A_0, A_1, \dots, A_N, B_1, B_2, \dots, B_N) \\ &:= \int_0^{2\pi} \left(f(x) - \left(\sum_{k=0}^N A_k \cos kx + B_k \sin kx \right) \right)^2 dx \end{aligned}$$

Remark: $\|f - F\|$ is called the least square error between f and F .

Theorem: $E(a_0, a_1, \dots, a_N, b_1, b_2, \dots, b_N) = \min_{\forall A_k, B_k \in \mathbb{R}} E(A_0, \dots, A_N, B_1, \dots, B_N)$

where:

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) dx; \quad a_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \cos kx dx; \quad b_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \sin kx dx$$

Proof: Assume $A_0, \dots, A_N, B_1, \dots, B_N$ are the minimizer of E .

Then: $\frac{\partial E}{\partial A_i} = 0; \quad \frac{\partial E}{\partial B_i} = 0$.

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial A_k} = \frac{\partial}{\partial A_k} \int_0^{2\pi} \left(f(x) - \left(\sum_{j=0}^N A_j \cos jx + B_j \sin jx \right) \right)^2 dx$$

$$= -2 \int_0^{2\pi} \left(f(x) - \sum_{j=0}^N A_j \cos jx + B_j \sin jx \right) \cos kx dx$$

$$= -2 \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \cos kx dx + 2\pi A_k = 0 \Rightarrow A_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \cos kx dx$$

Similarly, $A_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) dx$ etc ...

Is this the critical point of the minimizer? HW.
