# Math Cheatsheet

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### The Fourier Transform

1. 
$$\tilde{f}(k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ikx} f(x) dx = \mathcal{F}[f](k)$$

- Real and even  $(f^*(x) = f(x))$  and  $f(x) = f(-x) \implies \tilde{f}^*(k) = \tilde{f}(k)$  ( $\tilde{f}$  is real)
- Real and odd  $\implies \tilde{f}$  is imaginary  $(\tilde{f}^*(k) = -\tilde{f}(k))$
- Linearity,  $\mathcal{F}[\alpha f(x) + \beta g(x)] = \alpha \mathcal{F}[f(x)] + \beta \mathcal{F}[g(x)]$
- Rescaling,  $\mathcal{F}[f(\alpha x)] = \frac{1}{|\alpha|} \tilde{f}\left(\frac{k}{\alpha}\right)$
- Translation,  $\mathcal{F}[f(x-a)] = e^{-ika}\mathcal{F}[f(x)]$
- Exponential,  $\mathcal{F}[e^{iax}f(x)](k) = \mathcal{F}[f](k-a)$
- Duality,  $\mathcal{F}[\tilde{f}] = f(-k)$
- For real k,  $\mathcal{F}[f^*](k) = \mathcal{F}[f](-k)$
- Symmetry,  $f(-x) = \pm f(x) \implies \tilde{f}(-k) = \pm \tilde{f}(k)$
- Differentiation,  $\mathcal{F}\left[\frac{\mathrm{d}f}{\mathrm{d}x}\right]=ik\tilde{f}(k)\ (\mathcal{I}[k\tilde{f}]=-i\frac{\mathrm{d}f}{\mathrm{d}x})$

• 
$$\mathcal{I}\left[\frac{\mathrm{d}\tilde{f}}{\mathrm{d}k}\right] = -ixf(x) \ (\mathcal{F}[xf] = i\frac{\mathrm{d}\tilde{f}}{\mathrm{d}k})$$

- Convolution,  $\mathcal{F}[f * g] = \sqrt{2\pi} \mathcal{F}[f] \mathcal{F}[g]$
- $\mathcal{F}[fg] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \mathcal{F}[f] * \mathcal{F}[g]$
- Correlation,  $\mathcal{F}[f \otimes g](x) = \sqrt{2\pi}\mathcal{F}[f]^*\mathcal{F}[g]$  (Wiener-Khinchin if g = f)
- (TODO: prove the inverse)
- Autoconvolution is  $\sqrt{2\pi}[f]^2$ , autocorrelation is  $\sqrt{2\pi}|f|^2$
- Parseval's theorem  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(x)|^2 dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\tilde{f}(k)|^2 dk$  (inverse of Wiener-Khinchin/delta function)

2. 
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ikx} \tilde{f}(k) dk = \mathcal{I}[\tilde{f}](x)$$

3. Convolution is 
$$(f * g)(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(y)g(x-y)dy$$

- 4. Correlation is  $(f \otimes g) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [f(y)]^* g(x+y) dy$ 
  - $f(x) \otimes g(x) = f(-x)^* * g(x)$
  - $f(x) \otimes g(x) = g(-x)^* \otimes f(-x)^*$
  - If f is hermitian,  $f \otimes g = f * g$
  - If f, g are hermitian,  $f \otimes g = g \otimes f$
  - $(f \otimes g) \otimes (f \otimes g) = (f \otimes f) \otimes (g \otimes g)$

5. 
$$\delta(t-t_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\omega(t-t_0)} d\omega$$
 (prove  $\frac{1}{2\pi}$  by transforming twice)

6. Laplace Transform 
$$\mathcal{L}(f)(s) = \int_0^\infty f(t)e^{-st}dt$$

f	$\widetilde{f}$		
$e^{-b x }, \ b > 0$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{2b}{k^2 + b^2}$		
$\frac{1}{x^2 + b^2}$	$\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2b^2}}e^{-b k }$		
$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\epsilon^2}\exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2\epsilon^2}\right)}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}exp\left(-\frac{\epsilon^2k^2}{2}\right)$		
$\delta(x-a)$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-ika}$ $1 e^{-ika}$		
$H(x-a)e^{-\epsilon(x-a)}$	$\sqrt{2\pi}  \overline{\epsilon + ik}$		
H(x-a)	$\frac{e^{-ika}}{ik\sqrt{2\pi}}$		
H(x+a)H(a-x) (tophat)	$\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \frac{\sin(ak)}{k}$		

# **Vector Calculus**

Practice List

1. 
$$(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b})_i = \epsilon_{ijk} a_j b_k$$

2. 
$$\det A = \epsilon_{ijk} A_{1i} A_{2j} A_{3k}$$

3. 
$$\det(\mathbf{e}_i \ \mathbf{e}_j \ \mathbf{e}_k) = \epsilon_{ijk}$$

4. 
$$\epsilon_{ijk}\epsilon_{lmn} = \det(\mathbf{e}_i \ \mathbf{e}_j \ \mathbf{e}_k)^T \det(\mathbf{e}_l \ \mathbf{e}_m \ \mathbf{e}_n) = \begin{vmatrix} \delta_{il} & \delta_{im} & \delta_{in} \\ \delta_{jl} & \delta_{jm} & \delta_{jn} \\ \delta_{kl} & \delta_{km} & \delta_{kn} \end{vmatrix}$$

5. Bear in mind that 
$$\delta_{kk} = 3 = \delta_{k1}\delta_{k1} + \delta_{k2}\delta_{k2} + \delta_{k3}\delta_{k3}$$
  $(\delta_{11} = 1)$   $(\delta_{lm} = \delta_{l1}\delta_{m1} + \delta_{l2}\delta_{m2} + \delta_{l3}\delta_{m3})$ 

6. 
$$\epsilon_{ijk}\epsilon_{imn} = \delta_{jm}\delta_{kn} - \delta_{jn}\delta_{km}$$

7. 
$$\epsilon_{ijk}\epsilon_{ijk} = 6$$

8. 
$$(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) \cdot (\mathbf{c} \times \mathbf{d}) = (\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{c})(\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{d}) - (\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{d})(\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{c})$$

9. 
$$(\mathbf{a} \times (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}))_i = ((\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{c})\mathbf{b} - (\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b})\mathbf{c})_i$$

10. 
$$\nabla f(r) = f'(r) \frac{\mathbf{r}}{r}, \ \nabla r = \frac{\mathbf{r}}{r}$$

11. 
$$\nabla f = \mathbf{e}_i \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j}, \ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} = \frac{\partial F_j}{\partial x_j}, \ \nabla \times \mathbf{F} = \epsilon_{ijk} \mathbf{e}_i \frac{\partial F_k}{\partial x_j}$$

12. 
$$\|\mathbf{x}\|^2 \|\mathbf{y}\|^2 - |\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y}|^2 \ge 0$$

13. 
$$\mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{\nabla} \neq -\mathbf{\nabla} \cdot \mathbf{F}$$

$$\nabla \cdot (\psi \mathbf{F}) = \psi \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} + (\mathbf{F} \cdot \nabla) \psi,$$

$$\nabla \times (\psi \mathbf{F}) = \psi (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) + (\nabla \psi) \times \mathbf{F},$$

$$\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{F} \times \mathbf{G}) = \mathbf{G} \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{F}) - \mathbf{F} \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{G}),$$

$$\nabla \times (\mathbf{F} \times \mathbf{G}) = \mathbf{F} (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{G}) - \mathbf{G} (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}) + (\mathbf{G} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{F} - (\mathbf{F} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{G},$$

$$\nabla (\mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{G}) = (\mathbf{F} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{G} + (\mathbf{G} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{F} + \mathbf{F} \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{G}) + \mathbf{G} \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{F})$$
14.

15. 
$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{F} = \nabla (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}) - \nabla \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{F})$$

16. 
$$\nabla \times (\nabla \psi) = 0, \ \nabla \cdot (\nabla \mathbf{F}) = 0$$

17. (Divergence Theorem)

• (Vector) 
$$\iiint_V \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} dV = \iint_S \mathbf{u} \cdot dS$$

• (Scalar) 
$$\iiint_V \nabla \phi dV = \iint_S \phi d\mathbf{S}$$

• (Generalized Stokes) 
$$\iiint_V \nabla \times \mathbf{A} dV = \iint_S \hat{\mathbf{n}} \times \mathbf{A} dS$$

18. (Stokes Theorem)

• 
$$\iint_{S} \nabla \times \mathbf{u} \cdot d\mathbf{S} = \oint_{C} \mathbf{u} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$$

• (Green's) 
$$\iint_A \left( \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial y} \right) dx dy = \int_C (u_x dx + u_y dy)$$

	Cylindrical Polar Coordinates	Spherical Polar Coordinates
$q_1$	$\rho = (x^2 + y^2)^{1/2}$	$r = (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{1/2}$
$q_2$	$\phi = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$	$\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{(x^2+y^2)^{1/2}}{z}\right)$
$q_3$	z	$\phi = \tan^{-1}(y/x)$

19.

	Cylindrical Polar Coordinates	Spherical Polar Coordinates
x	$ ho\cos\phi$	$r\cos\phi\sin\theta$
y	$ ho\sin\phi$	$r\sin\phi\sin\theta$
z	z	$r\cos\theta$

21. • 
$$\mathbf{h}_j = \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q_i} = \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial q_i} \hat{\mathbf{x}}_i$$

• 
$$\mathbf{h}_j = h_j \mathbf{e}_j, \, h_j = \left| \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q_j} \right|$$

• 
$$\mathbf{e}_j = \frac{1}{h_i} \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial q_i}$$

• 
$$J \equiv \frac{\partial(x,y,z)}{\partial(q_1,q_2,q_3)} = |\mathbf{h}_1 \cdot \mathbf{h}_2 \times \mathbf{h}_3|, dV = d\mathbf{r}_1 \times d\mathbf{r}_2 \cdot d\mathbf{r}_3 = |J| dq_1 dq_2 dq_3 = h_1 h_2 h_3 dq_1 dq_2 dq_3$$
 (chain rule, inverse)

• (Orthogonality) 
$$\mathbf{e}_i \cdot \mathbf{e}_j = \delta_{ij}, |\mathrm{d}\mathbf{r}|^2 = \sum_i h_i^2 (\mathrm{d}q_i)^2$$

• 
$$d\mathbf{r} = \sum_{i} h_{j} \mathbf{e}_{j} dq_{j}$$

$$\bullet \quad \nabla = \sum_{i} \mathbf{e}_{i} \frac{1}{h_{i}} \frac{\partial}{\partial q_{i}}$$

• (even permutation 
$$(i, j, k)$$
)  $\mathbf{e}_i = \mathbf{e}_j \times \mathbf{e}_k = h_j \nabla q_j \times h_k \nabla q_k$   
•  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} = \frac{1}{h_1 h_2 h_3} \sum_{\text{even perms}} \frac{\partial h_j h_k F_i}{\partial q_i}$ 

• 
$$\nabla^2 = \nabla \cdot \nabla = \frac{1}{h_1 h_2 h_3} \sum_{\text{even perms}} \frac{\partial}{\partial q_i} \left( \frac{h_j h_k}{h_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial q_i} \right)$$

$$\bullet \quad \boxed{ \boldsymbol{\nabla} \times \mathbf{F} = \frac{1}{h_1 h_2 h_3} \begin{vmatrix} h_1 \mathbf{e}_1 & h_2 \mathbf{e}_2 & h_3 \mathbf{e}_3 \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial q_1} & \frac{\partial}{\partial q_2} & \frac{\partial}{\partial q_3} \\ h_1 F_1 & h_2 F_2 & h_3 F_3 \end{vmatrix} }$$

• 
$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{F} = \nabla^2 (F_i \mathbf{e}_i) \ ((\nabla^2 \mathbf{F})_i \neq \nabla^2 F_i)$$

### Green's functions

1. Different  $\delta_{\epsilon}(x)$ s

• 
$$\delta_{\epsilon}(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < -\epsilon \\ \frac{1}{2\epsilon} & -\epsilon \le x \le \epsilon \\ 0 & \epsilon < x \end{cases}$$

• 
$$\delta_{\epsilon}(x) = \begin{cases} (x+\epsilon)/\epsilon^2 & -\epsilon < x < 0\\ (\epsilon - x)/\epsilon^2 & 0 \le x < \epsilon\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

• 
$$\delta_{\epsilon}(x) = \frac{\epsilon}{\pi(x^2 + \epsilon^2)} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\infty}^{-\infty} e^{ikx - \epsilon|k| dk} dk$$

2.  $\delta(x)$  properties

• 
$$\int_{-\alpha}^{\beta} \delta(x) dx = 1, \ \alpha > 0, \ \beta > 0$$

• 
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x - \xi) f(x) dx = f(\xi)$$

• 
$$H'(x) = \delta(x)$$

• 
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta'(x) f(x) dx = -f'(x)$$

• 
$$\delta(ax) = \frac{\delta(x)}{|a|}$$

• For a nice function 
$$\delta(f(x)) = \sum_{i} \delta\left(\frac{\mathrm{d}f}{\mathrm{d}x}\Big|_{x=x_i} (x-x_i)\right) = \sum_{i} \frac{\delta(x-x_i)}{\left|\frac{\mathrm{d}f}{\mathrm{d}x}\Big|_{x=x_i}\right|}$$

3. Wronskian 
$$W[y_1, y_2] = \det \begin{pmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{pmatrix} \neq 0$$
 is the condition for linearly independent solutions

4. Initial and boundary conditions is written as Ay(a) + By'(a) = E, E = 0 means BC is homogeneous.

5. Differential operator 
$$L = \frac{d^2}{dx^2} + p(x)\frac{d}{dx} + q(x)$$
 (turn  $\mathcal{L}$  into this standard form first, coefficient of 2nd order term is 1)

6. Green's function is the solution to  $LG(x,\zeta) = \delta(x-\zeta)$ 

7. 
$$y(x) = \int_{a}^{b} G(x, \zeta) f(\zeta) d\zeta$$

8. Green's function properties

•  $G(x,\zeta)$  of L shares the same boundary conditions as y(x), which is the solution to Ly(x)=f(x), by construction

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•  $G(x,\zeta)$  is a continuous function in x and  $\zeta$ 

• 
$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} [G(x, \zeta)]_{x=\zeta-\epsilon}^{x=\zeta+\epsilon} = 0$$

•  $\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \left[ \frac{\partial G}{\partial x} \right]_{x=\zeta-\epsilon}^{x=\zeta+\epsilon} = 1$  (or whatever the coefficient of the 2nd order term is)

(Start from  $\boxed{1 = \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_{\zeta - \epsilon}^{\zeta + \epsilon} \delta(\zeta - x) \mathrm{d}x}, \, \mathcal{L} \text{ is 2nd order, } p, q \text{ are continuous, and assume } p(x) \text{ is continuous}}$ 

9. Writing 
$$G(x,\zeta) = \begin{cases} \alpha_{-}(\zeta)y_{1}(x) + \beta_{-}(\zeta)y_{2}(x) & \text{for } a \leq x < \zeta \\ \alpha_{+}(\zeta)y_{1}(x) + \beta_{+}(\zeta)y_{2}(x) & \text{for } \zeta \leq x \leq b, \end{cases}$$
 it follows immediately that 
$$\begin{pmatrix} y_{1}(\zeta) & y_{2}(\zeta) \\ y'_{1}(\zeta) & y'_{2}(\zeta) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{+}(\zeta) - \alpha_{-}(\zeta) \\ \beta_{+}(\zeta) - \beta_{-}(\zeta) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ if the solutions are independent, } \alpha_{+}(\zeta) - \alpha_{-}(\zeta) = -\frac{y_{2}(\zeta)}{W(\zeta)} \text{ and } \beta_{+}(\zeta) - \beta_{-}(\zeta) = \frac{y_{1}(\zeta)}{W(\zeta)}$$

# Partial differential equations

Consider separable solutions

For 
$$x^2y'' + axy' + y = 0$$
, try  $y = x^r$ 

# Matrices

- 1. Metric  $G_{ij} = \mathbf{u}_i \cdot \mathbf{u}_j$ 
  - $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{v}^{\dagger} G \mathbf{w}$
  - $G^{\dagger} = G$  (Hermitian)
  - $v^{\dagger}Gv \ge 0$  (positive definite)

2. 
$$det M = \prod_{i=1}^{n} \lambda_i (det(AB) = det A det B)$$

• 
$$\operatorname{tr} M = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \lambda_i$$

• 
$$\operatorname{tr}(M^n) = \operatorname{tr}(\Lambda^n) (\operatorname{tr}(AB) = \operatorname{tr}(BA))$$

- 3. Unitary matrix  $A^{\dagger} = A^{-1}$
- 4. Normal matrix  $AA^{\dagger} = A^{\dagger}A$
- 5. Hermitian matrices
  - The eigenvalues of an Hermitian matrix are real
  - The eigenvectors of an Hermitian matrix with distinct eigenvalues are orthogonal
  - A Hermitian matrix has n orthogonal linearly independent eigenvectors
  - has n orthonormal eigenvectors
  - · Anti-Hermitian and Unitary matrices have imaginary eigenvalues with unit modulus
- 6. Simplifying quadric surface  $x^T A x + b^T x + c = 0$ 
  - $S = \frac{1}{2}(A + A^T)$ ,  $y^T S y + b^T y + c = 0$  (symmetric thus diagonalizable)
  - Diagonalize,  $z^T \Lambda z + b^T z + c = 0$
  - Offset,  $x^{\prime T} \Lambda x^{\prime} = k$  (to cancel out second term)
- 7. Quadric surface names

#### Coefficients

#### Quadric Surface

 $\lambda_1 > 0, \ \lambda_2 > 0, \ \lambda_3 > 0, \ k > 0.$  Ellipsoid: this includes the case of metric matrices, since S is then positive definite and the  $\lambda_i$  are all positive. 
$$\begin{split} &\lambda_1 = \lambda_2. \\ &\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 > 0, \ \lambda_3 > 0, \ k > 0. \end{split}$$
Surface of revolution about the z' axis. **Spheroid**: the surface is a prolate spheroid if  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 > \lambda_3$  and an oblate spheroid if  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 < \lambda_3$ .  $\frac{\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \lambda_3}{\lambda_3 = 0}, \ k > 0.$   $\lambda_3 = 0.$ Sphere.Cylinder.  $\lambda_1 > 0, \ \lambda_2 > 0, \ \lambda_3 = 0, \ k > 0.$   $\lambda_1 > 0, \ \lambda_2 > 0, \ \lambda_3 < 0, \ k > 0.$   $\lambda_1 > 0, \ \lambda_2 > 0, \ \lambda_3 < 0, \ k = 0.$   $\lambda_1 > 0, \ \lambda_2 > 0, \ \lambda_3 < 0, \ k = 0.$ Elliptic cylinder. Hyperboloid of one sheet. Elliptical conical surface.  $\lambda_1 > 0, \ \lambda_2 < 0, \ \lambda_3 < 0, \ k > 0.$ Hyperboloid of two sheets  $\lambda_1 > 0, \ \lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = 0, \ \lambda_1 k \geqslant 0.$ Planes  $x' = \pm \sqrt{\frac{k}{\lambda_*}}$ .

- 8. All eigenvalues of a nilpotent matrix are 0
- 9. The Rayleight-Ritz variational principle. The first variation of  $\lambda(x) = \frac{x^T S x}{x^T x}$  is 0 for all possible  $\delta x$  when  $Sx = \lambda(x)x$

# 1 Elementary analysis

- 1. Limit, series, partial sum, absolute convergence  $\implies$  (conditional) convergence
- 2. Tests for convergence
  - Comparison test (between two series)
  - D'Alembert's ratio test
  - Cauchy's test  $\lim_{r\to\infty} u_r^{1/r} < 1$

3. Taylor 
$$f(x_0 + h) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{h^n}{n!} f^{(n)}(x_0)$$

4. 
$$\frac{\mathrm{d}f}{\mathrm{d}z} \equiv f'(z) = \lim_{\delta z \to 0} \frac{f(z + \delta z) - f(z)}{\delta z}$$
 same by any route in the complex plane

5. Cauchy-Riemann equations 
$$f(z) = u(x,y) + iv(x,y), \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = -\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$$

- u, v are harmonic functions,  $\nabla^2 u = \nabla^2 v = 0$
- u, v are conjugate harmonic functions,  $\nabla u \cdot \nabla v = 0$
- 6.  $C^1$  complex functions are analytic

7. 
$$f(z) (z-z_0)^N$$
, zero of order N at  $z_0$ ,  $f(z) (z-z_0)^{-N}$ , pole of order N

8. Laurent series 
$$f(z) = \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n$$
, on annulus  $\alpha < |z - z_0| < \beta$ , infinite  $n < 0$  means essential singularity

9. Radius of convergence: power series 
$$f(z) = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} a_r z^r$$
 converges for  $z = z_1$ , then it converges absolutely for  $|z - z_0| < |z_1 - z_0|$ 

• 
$$\lim_{r \to \infty} \left| \frac{a_{r+1}}{a_r} \right| = \frac{1}{R}$$

• 
$$\lim_{r \to \infty} |a_r|^{1/r} = \frac{1}{R}$$

### Series solution of ODE

1. Wronskian 
$$W = \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y'_1 & y'_2 \end{vmatrix}$$

2. 
$$W' + p(x)W = 0, W(x) = C \exp\left(-\int_{-\infty}^{x} p(\zeta)d\zeta\right),$$
$$y_2(x) = y_1(x) \int_{-\infty}^{x} \frac{W(\eta)}{y_1(\eta)^2} d\eta = y_1(x) \int_{-\infty}^{x} \frac{C}{y_1(\eta)^2} \exp\left(-\int_{-\infty}^{\eta} p(\zeta)d\zeta\right)$$

3. 
$$y'' + p(z)y' + q(z) = 0$$

- 4. Ordinary point p(z), q(z) analytic at  $z=z_0$ , regular singular point  $(z-z_0)p(z)$ ,  $(z-z_0)^2q(z)$  analytic at  $z=z_0$
- 5.  $z = z_0$  is ordinary point, two independent solutions like  $y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z z_0)^n$ ,  $|z z_0| < R$

6. 
$$z=z_0$$
 is regular singular point,  $y_1=z^{\sigma_1}\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}a_n(z-z_0)^n, \quad a_0\neq 0, \sigma\in\mathbb{C}$ 

7. Indicial equation 
$$\sigma(\sigma - 1) + p_0 \sigma + q_0 = 0$$
,  $p_0 = \lim_{z \to z_0} ((z - z_0)p(z))$ ,  $q_0 = \lim_{z \to z_0} ((z - z_0)^2 q(z))$ 

8. If 
$$\sigma_1 - \sigma_2 \in \mathbb{R}$$
,  $\operatorname{Re}(\sigma_1) \ge \operatorname{Re}(\sigma_2)$  another solution is  $y_2 = ky_1 \log z + z^{\sigma_2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n z^n$ 

9. Variation of parameters

### Sturm-Liouville

- 1. Norm of u(x) is  $||u||^2 = \langle u|u\rangle = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} |u(x)|^2 dx$  is real and  $\geq 0$ .
- 2. If  $\langle u|\mathcal{L}v\rangle = \langle \mathcal{L}u|v\rangle = \langle v|\mathcal{L}u\rangle^*$  if boundary terms are 0, called **self-adjoint**.
- 3. Sturm-Liouville operator defined on  $\alpha \le x \le \beta$  is  $\mathcal{L} = -\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \left( \rho(x) \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \right) + \sigma(x)$ ,  $\sigma, \rho$  are real,  $\forall \alpha < x < \beta(\rho > 0)$ 
  - $\langle u|\mathcal{L}v\rangle = \langle v|\mathcal{L}u\rangle^* + [\rho(vu^*' u^*v')]^{\beta}_{\alpha}$  means formally self-adjoint (differ by a constant)
  - If  $[\rho(vu^{*\prime}-u^*v')]^{\beta}_{\alpha}=0, \mathcal{L}$  is self-adjoint
  - Might not work if  $\mathcal{L}$  not defined on  $x \in [\alpha, \beta]$  e.g.[-1, 1] for Legendre's equation  $(1 x^2)y'' 2xy' + l(l+1)y = 0$ , solutions x and  $\frac{1}{2}\ln\left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right)$  not orthogonal

- 4. Inner product with a weight function  $\langle u|v\rangle_w = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} w(x)u^*(x)v(x)\mathrm{d}x$
- 5.  $\mathcal{L} = w\tilde{\mathcal{L}}$  for a second order operator  $\tilde{\mathcal{L}} = -\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \left[ a(x) \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \right] b(x) \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} c(x)$ 
  - w(x) is real and positive

• 
$$w\tilde{\mathcal{L}} = -\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \left( aw \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \right) + (aw' - bw) \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} - wc$$

- Let aw' = bw,  $w(x) = Ce^{\int^x \frac{b(\zeta)}{a(\zeta)} d\zeta}$
- Note that w(x), a(x), b(x), c(x) are real (by definition)
- $\langle u|\tilde{\mathcal{L}}v\rangle_w = \langle \tilde{\mathcal{L}}v|u\rangle_w + [wa(vu^{*\prime} u^*v')]_{\alpha}^{\beta}$

• i.e. 
$$\left[ (\lambda_u - \lambda_v) \int_a^b u^* v w dx = \left[ \rho(x) (u^{*'} v' - u^* v') \right]_a^b \right]$$

• 
$$\tilde{\mathcal{L}}y = \lambda y \implies \mathcal{L}y = \lambda wy$$

6. If  $\{y_n\}$  is a complete set of **orthonormal** eigenfunctions,

the completeness relation is  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}y_n(x)y_n^*(x') = \frac{1}{w(x')}\delta(x-x')$ 

• 
$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n y_n(x)$$

• 
$$\langle y_n | y_m \rangle_w = \delta_{nm}$$

• 
$$a_n = \langle y_n | f \rangle_w$$

• 
$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \langle y_n | f \rangle_w y_n(x) = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} f(x') \left[ w(x') \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n(x) y_n^*(x') \right] dx'$$

• Recall that 
$$\mathcal{L}G(x,x') = \delta(x-x'), \ y(x) = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} G(x,x')f(x')dx'$$

• 
$$G(x,x') = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\lambda_n} y_n(x) y_n^*(x')$$
 such that  $\mathcal{L}G(x,x') = w(x) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n(x) y_n^*(x') = \frac{w(x)}{w(x')} \delta(x - x')$  such that  $\mathcal{L}G(x,x') = w(x) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n(x) y_n^*(x') = \frac{w(x)}{w(x')} \delta(x - x')$  such that  $\mathcal{L}G(x,x') = w(x) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n(x) y_n^*(x') = \frac{w(x)}{w(x')} \delta(x - x')$  such that  $\mathcal{L}G(x,x') = w(x) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n(x) y_n^*(x') = \frac{w(x)}{w(x')} \delta(x - x')$  such that  $\mathcal{L}G(x,x') = w(x) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n(x) y_n^*(x') = \frac{w(x)}{w(x')} \delta(x - x')$  such that  $\mathcal{L}G(x,x') = w(x) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n(x) y_n^*(x') = \frac{w(x)}{w(x')} \delta(x - x')$ 

•  $G(x,x')=G^*(x,x')$ , if  $\mathcal L$  has zero eigenvalue G(x,x') will not exist

7. Bessel's inequality 
$$||f||_w^2 \ge \sum_{n=1}^N |a_n|^2$$

• 
$$f(x) \approx \sum_{n=1}^{N} a_n y_n$$
, let  $a_n = u + iv$ 

• Error

$$E = \left| f(x) - \sum_{n=1}^{N} a_n y_n \right|_w^2$$

$$= \|f\|_w^2 - \sum_{n=1}^{N} [a_n^* \langle y_n | f \rangle_w + a_n \langle f | y_n \rangle_w] + \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} a_n^* a_m \langle y_n | y_m \rangle_w$$

$$= \|f\|_w^2 - \sum_{n=1}^{N} [(u - iv)(\langle y_n | f \rangle_w)^* + (u + iv)\langle f | y_n \rangle_w] + \sum_{n=1}^{N} |a_n|^2$$

$$= \|f\|_w^2 + \sum_{n=1}^{N} (u^2 + v^2) - \sum_{n=1}^{N} [2u \operatorname{Re}\{\langle y_n | f \rangle_w\} + 2v \operatorname{Im}\{\langle y_n | f \rangle_w\}]$$

• If 
$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial u} = 0 = \frac{\partial E}{\partial v}$$
,  $a_n = \langle y_n | f \rangle_w$ ,  $E = ||f||_w^2 - \sum_{n=1}^N |a_n|^2 \ge 0$ , becomes equality at  $N \to \infty$ 

### Calculus of variation

1. The functional 
$$G[y]: \{y_k\} \to \mathbb{R} = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} f(y, y'; x) dx$$

2. 
$$\delta G = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \delta y(x) \frac{\delta G}{\delta y(x)} dx + \dots = \left[ \delta y \frac{\partial f}{\partial y'} \right]_{\alpha}^{\beta} + \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \delta y \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial y'} \right) \right] dx + \dots$$

3. Euler Lagrange equation 
$$\frac{\delta G}{\delta y(x)} = 0 = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} - \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial y'} \right), \ \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial y'} \right)$$

4. First integral if integrand f(y, y', x) = f(y, y') does not depend on x,

$$\begin{split} \frac{\mathrm{d}f}{\mathrm{d}x} &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + y' \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} + y'' \frac{\partial f}{\partial y'} \\ &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \left( y' \frac{\partial f}{\partial y'} \right) \\ \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \left( f - y' \frac{\partial f}{\partial y'} \right) &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 0 \end{split}$$

$$y'\frac{\partial f}{\partial y'} - f = c$$

5. Sturm-Liouville

• 
$$F[y] = \langle y | \mathcal{L}y \rangle = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} y^* \mathcal{L}y dx = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \left[ \rho |y'|^2 + \sigma |y|^2 \right] dx$$

• 
$$G[y] = \langle y|y\rangle_w = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} w|y|^2 dx$$

• 
$$\frac{\delta F}{\delta y} = 2\mathcal{L}y, \ \frac{\delta G}{\delta y} = 2wy$$

• 
$$\Lambda[y] = \frac{\langle y|\mathcal{L}y\rangle}{\langle y|y\rangle_w} = \frac{F[y]}{G[y]}$$

• 
$$\frac{\delta \Lambda}{\delta y} = \frac{1}{G} \left[ \frac{\delta F}{\delta y} - \Lambda \frac{\delta G}{\delta y} \right] = \frac{2}{G} \left[ \mathcal{L} y - \Lambda w y \right]$$

• At extremum,  $\mathcal{L}y = \lambda wy = \Lambda[y]wy$ ,  $\Lambda[y]$  is extremized by eigenfunctions of  $\tilde{\mathcal{L}} = w^{-1}\mathcal{L}$  and the eigenvalues  $\lambda$  are its extremal values

6.

$$\begin{split} \frac{\mathrm{d}L}{\mathrm{d}t} &= \frac{\partial L}{\partial t} + \sum_{i=1} N \dot{q}_i \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_i} + \ddot{q}_i \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_i} \\ &= \frac{\partial L}{\partial t} + \sum_{i=1} N \dot{q}_i \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_i} + \ddot{q}_i \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_i} \\ &= \frac{\partial L}{\partial t} + \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t} \sum_{i=1} N \dot{q}_i \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_i} \\ &= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t} \left[ L + \sum_{i=1}^N \dot{q}_i \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_i} \right] = \frac{\partial L}{\partial t} = \frac{\mathrm{d}H}{\mathrm{d}t} \end{split}$$

- 7. Time invariance of L is energy (H) conservation, q invariance of L is  $\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}}$  conservation (generalized momentum)
- 8.  $\phi(x, y, \lambda) = f(x, y) \lambda p(x, y), \Phi_{\lambda}[y] = G[y] \lambda P[y]$

# Laplace Poisson

- 1. Find constants with **boundary conditions**, implicit conditions for **physical** solutions, **continuity of derivative** and **continuity of solution**
- 2. Poisson's equation  $\nabla^2 \Phi = \rho(\mathbf{x}), \ \rho = 0$  is Laplace's equation
  - Diffusion  $\kappa \nabla^2 u = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} S(\mathbf{x})$ , in steady state  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = 0$ .  $\nabla^2 u = -\frac{S(\mathbf{x})}{\kappa}$ , flux  $\mathbf{F} = -\kappa \nabla u$
  - $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = \rho_q(\mathbf{x})/\epsilon_0$ ,  $\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = 0 \implies \mathbf{E} = -\nabla \Phi$ ,  $\nabla^2 \Phi = -\rho_q(\mathbf{x})\epsilon_0$
  - $\nabla^2 \Phi = 4\pi G \rho_m(\mathbf{x})$

- 3D Schrödinger
- Ideal fluid (irrotational, incompressible)  $\nabla \times u = 0 \implies u = \nabla \Phi$ , continuity (incompressible)  $\rho \nabla \cdot u = -\frac{\rho}{t} = S(\mathbf{x}), \nabla^2 \Phi = 0$

3. Cylindrical 
$$\Psi = \Psi(r,\phi), \ x = r\cos\phi, \ y = r\sin\phi, \ \nabla^2\Psi = \frac{1}{r}\frac{\partial}{\partial r}\left(r\frac{\partial\Psi}{\partial r}\right) + \frac{1}{r^2}\frac{\partial^2\Psi}{\partial\phi^2} = 0$$

$$\Psi = A_0 + B_0 \phi + C_0 \ln r + D_0 \phi \ln r + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (A_n r^n + C_n r^{-n}) \cos n\phi + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (B_n r^n + D_n r^{-n}) \sin n\phi$$

4. Axisymmetric Spherical  $\Psi = \Psi(r,\theta), \ x = r\sin\theta\cos\phi, y = r\sin\theta\sin\phi, z = r\cos\theta, \ \nabla^2\Psi = \frac{1}{r^2}\frac{\partial}{\partial r}\left(r^2\frac{\partial\Psi}{\partial r}\right) + \frac{1}{r^2\sin\theta}\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}\left(\sin\theta\frac{\partial\Psi}{\partial \theta}\right) = 0$ 

$$\Psi(r,\theta) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (A_l r^l + B_l r^{-l-1}) P_l(\cos \theta)$$

5. 
$$\begin{vmatrix} P_1(x) & 1 \\ P_2(x) & x \\ P_3(x) & \frac{1}{2}(3x^2 - 1) \\ P_4(x) & \frac{1}{2}(5x^3 - 3x) \end{vmatrix}$$

6. The solution to Poisson's equation is unique with Dirichlet  $(\Phi(\mathbf{r}) = f(\mathbf{r}))$  or Neumann  $(\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial n} =$  $\mathbf{n} \cdot \nabla \Phi = f(\mathbf{r})$  boundary conditions on a surface S.

Prove using difference of two solutions and  $\nabla \cdot (\Psi \nabla \Psi) = \nabla \Psi \cdot \nabla \Psi + \Psi \nabla \cdot (\nabla \Psi)$ 

7. Green's function

$$\begin{cases} \nabla^2 G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}')_{\mathbf{r}} = \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'), & \mathbf{r} \ in \ V \\ \text{(Dirichlet)} \ G = 0, & \mathbf{r} \ on \ S \\ \text{(Neumann)} \ \frac{\partial G}{\partial n} = \frac{1}{A}, & \mathbf{r} \ on \ S \end{cases}$$

where 
$$A = \oint_S dS$$
.

If V is all of space, G is the fundamental solution.

- 8. The fundamental solution in 3D:  $\nabla^2 G = \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{r} \mathbf{r}'), G \to 0$  as  $|\mathbf{r}| \to \infty$ 
  - Spherically symmetric,  $G = G(\mathbf{r})$

• 
$$\nabla^2 G = (r^2 G')'/r^2 = 0$$
,  $G = \frac{C}{r} + A$ ,  $A = 0$ 

• S is a sphere of radius 
$$\epsilon$$
;  $\frac{\partial G}{\partial r}\Big|_{r=\epsilon} = -\frac{C}{\epsilon^2}$ 

• 
$$\int_{r<\epsilon} \nabla^2 G dV = \oint_{r=\epsilon} \nabla G \cdot \mathbf{n} dS = -\frac{C}{\epsilon^2} \oint_{r=\epsilon} dS = -4\pi C$$

• 
$$\nabla^2 G = \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') = -4\pi C \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'), C = -\frac{1}{4\pi}$$
  
•  $G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') = -\frac{1}{4\pi |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|}$ 

• 
$$G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') = -\frac{1}{4\pi |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|}$$

9. The fundamental solution in 2D:  $\nabla^2 G = \delta^{(2)}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'), |\nabla G| \to 0$  as  $|\mathbf{r}| \to \infty$  (or G vanishes in a finite radius)

- Circularly symmetric,  $G = G(\mathbf{r})$
- $(rG')'/r = 0 \implies G = C \ln r + A, r \neq 0$
- S is a circle with radius  $\epsilon$ ;  $\frac{\partial G}{\partial r}\Big|_{r=\epsilon} = \frac{C}{\epsilon}$

• 
$$\int_{r<\epsilon} \nabla^2 G dA = \oint_{r\epsilon} \nabla G \cdot \mathbf{n} dl = \frac{C}{\epsilon} \oint_{r=\epsilon} dl = 2\pi C$$

• 
$$\nabla^2 G = \delta^{(2)}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') = 2\pi C \delta^{(2)}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'), C = \frac{1}{2\pi}$$

• 
$$G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') = \frac{1}{2\pi} \ln |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'| + C$$

- 10. Method of images: **Dirichlet** boundary condition charge of **opposite** sign, to cancel out at the boundary; **Neumann** charge of **same** sign, to make  $\frac{\partial G}{\partial n} = 0$  at the boundary
- 11. For sphere and circle, it is equivalent to a inverse point with a particular strength
- 12.  $\mathbf{F} = \Phi \nabla \Psi \Psi \nabla \Phi$ ,  $\nabla \cdot (\Phi \nabla \Psi) = \nabla \Phi \cdot \nabla \Psi + \Phi \nabla^2 \Psi$  leads to Green's theorem

$$\int_{V} (\Phi \nabla^{2} \Psi - \Psi \nabla^{2} \Phi) dV = \oint_{S} (\Phi \nabla \Psi - \Psi \nabla \Phi) \cdot dS = \oint_{S} \left( \Phi \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial n} - \Psi \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial n} \right)$$

(replace V and S to A and l in 2D)

- (Dirichlet) For  $\begin{cases} \nabla^2 \Phi &= \rho(\mathbf{r}), & \text{in } V \\ \Phi(\mathbf{r}) &= f(\mathbf{r}), & \text{on } S \end{cases}$
- Let  $\Psi = G$

$$\begin{split} \int_{V} (\Phi \nabla^{2} G - G \nabla^{2} \Phi) \mathrm{d}V &= \oint_{S} (\Phi \nabla G - G \nabla \Phi) \cdot \mathbf{n} \mathrm{d}S \\ \int_{V} \Phi \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') \mathrm{d}V &= \int_{V} G \rho \mathrm{d}V + \oint_{S} f \frac{\partial G}{\partial n} \mathrm{d}S \\ \Phi(\mathbf{r}') &= \int_{V} \rho(\mathbf{r}) G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') \mathrm{d}V + \oint_{S} f(\mathbf{r}) \frac{\partial G}{\partial n} \mathrm{d}S \\ \Phi(\mathbf{r}') &= \int_{\mathfrak{D}^{3}} \rho(\mathbf{r}) G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') \mathrm{d}V = \int_{\mathfrak{D}^{3}} \frac{\rho_{q}(\mathbf{r})}{4\pi\epsilon_{0} |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} \mathrm{d}V \end{split}$$

The last line is for all space (sphere of radius  $\infty$ )

Turn it into Laplace by setting  $\forall \mathbf{r} \in V(\rho(\mathbf{r}) = 0)$ 

• (Neumann) For 
$$\begin{cases} \nabla^2 \Phi &= \rho(\mathbf{r}), & \text{in } V \\ \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial n} &= f(\mathbf{r}), & \text{on } S \end{cases}$$

• Let 
$$G = \Psi$$
.  $\frac{\partial G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}')}{\partial n}\Big|_{\mathbf{r} \in S} = \frac{1}{A}$ ,

$$\Phi(\mathbf{r}') = \int_{V} \rho(\mathbf{r}) G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') dV + \frac{1}{A} \oint_{S} \Phi(\mathbf{r}) dS - \oint_{S} f(\mathbf{r}) G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') dS$$

$$\Phi(\mathbf{r}') = \int_{V} \rho(\mathbf{r}) G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') dV - \oint_{S} f(\mathbf{r}) G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') dS$$

where the second line follows from finite surface integral of  $\Phi(\mathbf{r})$  and infinite A of V being all space.

#### Cartesian tensors

1. A vector  $\mathbf{v}$  is a set of numbers  $v_i$  defined wrt. a set of orthonormal basis vectors  $\mathbf{e}_i$  by  $v_i' = L_{ij}v_j$ , where  $L_{ij} = \mathbf{e}_i' \cdot \mathbf{e}_j$  ( $L_{ij}$  is orthogonal,  $L^TL = I$ )

- 2.  $\nabla = \mathbf{e}_i \partial_i$ ,  $\partial_i \equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$ ,  $\partial x_i' = L_{ij} \partial x_j$  (by chain rule) ( $\nabla$  is therefore a vector, but only in Cartesian coordinates, where covectors same as vectors)
- 3. a Cartesian axial vector (pseudo-vector) a is a set of coefficients  $a_i$  defined wrt. a set of orthonormal basis vectors  $\mathbf{e}_i$ , s.t.  $a_i'$  wrt. another orthonormal basis  $\mathbf{e}_i'$  are given by  $a_i' = \det(L)L_{ij}a_j$  (same as vector under proper transformation  $\det(L) = 1$ . Not reversed after improper rotations  $\det(L) = -1$ )
- 4. A Cartesian tensor T of order n has n indices  $T_{i_n...i_n}$ , defined wrt. a set of orthonormal basis vectors  $\mathbf{e}_i$  that transforms like  $\mathbf{e}_i' = L_{ij}\mathbf{e}_j$ .  $T'_{i_1...i_n} = L_{i_1j_1} \dots L_{i_nj_n}T_{i_1...i_n}$
- 5. Likewise, a Cartesian pseudo-tensor E of order n is  $E'_{i_1...i_n} = \det(L)L_{i_1j_1}...L_{i_nj_n}E_{i_1...i_n}$
- 6.  $\delta_{ij}$  is a tensor,  $\epsilon_{ijk}$  is a pseudo-tensor
- 7. Linear combination of order n tensors are order n tensors (closed under addition)
- 8. Tensor  $n \otimes \text{tensor } m \to \text{tensor } n+m$ ; Tensor  $n \otimes \text{pseudo-tensor } m \to \text{pseudo-tensor } n+m$
- 9. Contraction reduces order n to n-2
- 10. Symmetric same after swapping two indices; Antisymmetric  $\times$ (-1) after swapping. Symmetry is invariant of coordinate system. For symmetric  $T_{ijk}$ , antisymmetric  $E_{pqr}$ ,  $T_{ijk}E_{ijr} = 0$
- 11. Any 2nd order tensor expressed as symmetric and antisymmetric tensors  $T_{ij} = S_{ij} + A_{ij}$ ,  $S_{ij} = (T_{ij} + T_{ji})/2$ ,  $A_{ij} = (T_{ij} T_{ji})/2$
- 12. Pseudo-vectors are equivalent to 2nd order antisymmetric tensors  $\omega_k = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{ijk} A_{jk}$ ,

$$A_{ij} = \epsilon_{ijk}\omega_k = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & \omega_3 & -\omega_2 \\ -\omega_3 & 0 & \omega_1 \\ \omega_2 & -\omega_1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

- 13. Symmetric tensors are sums of a constant and a traceless symmetric tensor  $\tilde{S} = S \frac{\text{Tr}(S)}{3}\mathbb{I}$ ,  $\text{Tr}(\tilde{S}) = 0$
- 14. Isotropic tensors have same components in all frames  $T'_{ijk...} = T_{ijk...}$ . The most general isotropic tensors:
  - 0th order, scalar (all)
  - 1th order, only  $\mathbf{0}$  (for both vector & pseudovector)
  - 2nd order,  $\lambda \delta_{ij}$ ,  $\lambda$  is a scalar
  - 3rd order,  $\lambda \epsilon_{ijk}$
  - 4th order,  $\lambda \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} + \mu \delta_{ik} \delta_{jl} + \nu \delta_{il} \delta_{jk}$
- 15. isotropic  $\neq$  homogeneous

# Contour integration

1. Complex derivative  $\frac{\mathrm{d}f}{\mathrm{d}z} = \lim_{\delta z \to 0} \frac{f(z+\delta z) - f(z)}{\delta z}$  is the same for all  $\delta z$ , with f(z) = u(x,y) + iv(x,y), the Cauchy-Riemann equations are

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \quad \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = -\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$$

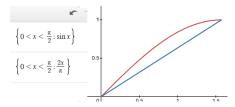
(Or simply  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial z^*} = 0 = \frac{\partial (u + iv)}{\partial (x - iy)}$ ), and u, v are harmonic,  $\nabla^2 u = \nabla^2 v = 0$ , and conjugate harmonic  $\nabla u \cdot \nabla v = 0$ 

- 2. Cauchy's theorem  $\left[\oint_C f(z)dz = 0\right]$  on a simply connected region R without singularity/f(z) being analytic  $(C^1)$ ; path independent from a to b,  $\int_{C_1} f(z)dz = \int_{C_2} f(z)dz$ , if no singularity between  $C_1, C_2$
- 3. Laurent series  $f(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a_n (z-z_0)^n$ , on annulus  $\alpha < |z-z_0| < \beta$
- 4. The **residue** of a pole is  $a_{-1}$  (coefficient in Laurent series) For a simple pole,  $\operatorname{res}_{z=z_0} f(z) = \lim_{z \to z_0} [(z-z_0)f(z)]$ ; for an N-pole,  $\operatorname{res}_{z=z_0} = \lim_{z \to z_0} \left[ \frac{1}{(N-1)!} \frac{\mathrm{d}^{(N-1)}}{\mathrm{d}z^{N-1}} [(z-z_0)^N f(z)] \right]$ ; or just use Laurent series (for essential singularity)
- 5. Residue theorem  $\oint_C f(z) dz = 2\pi i \sum_{k=1}^n \operatorname{res} f(z_k)$ , C is **anticlockwise** and encloses all  $z_k$  (hint: Laurent series' negative powers around singularity  $z_k$ , shrink C to a circle around it/or  $\oint_C f(z) dz$  subtract (or add clockwise) integrals of these circles = 0)
- 6. For analytic f(z) on R, Cauchy's formula  $f(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_C \frac{f(z)}{z z_0} dz$ ,  $f^{(n)}(z_0) = \frac{n!}{2\pi i} \oint_C \frac{f(z)}{(z z_0)^{n+1}} dz$ , where simple closed anticlockwise C. So analytic complex function is infinitely differentiable.
- 7. Branch cut for multivalued functions

• 
$$\ln(z) = \ln r + i(2n\pi + \theta)$$

• 
$$z^{1/a} = re^{i(2n\pi + \theta)/a}, \ a > 1$$

- 8. Jordan's lemma  $\lim_{R\to\infty}\int_{C_R}g(z)e^{i\lambda z}\mathrm{d}z=0$  if
  - $g(z) \rightarrow 0$
  - $C_R$  is upper semicircle,  $\lambda > 0$ , or
  - $C_R$  is lower semicircle,  $\lambda < 0$
- 9. Very important inequality in complex analysis  $0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$ ,  $\sin x > \frac{2x}{\pi}$



10. Gaussian integration lemma  $\forall a \in \mathbb{C}, \ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-(u+a)^2} \mathrm{d}u = \sqrt{\pi}$ 

# **Small Oscillations**

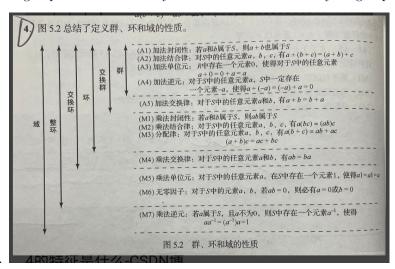
- 1.  $\mathcal{L} = T V = \frac{1}{2} T_{ij} q_i q_j \frac{1}{2} V_{ij} q_i q_j$
- $2. T_{ij}\ddot{q}_j + V_{ij}q_j = 0$
- 3.  $(-\omega^2 \mathbf{T} + \mathbf{V})\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{0}$ ,  $\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{Q}\sin(\omega(t t_0))$  or  $Q_i = q_i(t t_0)$  if  $\omega = 0$
- 4. Q is generalized engenvector.  $\alpha^{(n)}(t) = Q_i^{(n)} T_{ij} q_j(t) = A^{(n)} \sin \omega_n (t t_0^{(n)})$  is a normal coordinate. (A variable substitution to get a simple  $\sin(t t_0^{(n)})$ )
- 5. Orthonormality  $(\mathbf{Q}^{(m)})^T \mathbf{T} \mathbf{Q}^{(n)} = \delta_{mn}$

# Group theory

- 1. A group (G, \*) is a set G and a binary operation \* satisfying
  - Identity axiom,  $\forall g \in G \exists e, e * g = g * e = g$
  - Inverses axiom,  $\forall g \in G \exists h \in G, h * g = g * h = e$
  - Associativity axiom,  $\forall g, h, k \in G, (g*h)*k = g*(h*k)$
  - Closedness/Closure,  $g_i * g_j \in G$

### 2. Examples

- nonzero complex numbers under multiplication  $(\mathbb{C}, \times)$
- $2 \times 2$  invertible matrices/general linear group of degree 2 over real numbers under multiplication  $(GL_2(\mathbb{R}), *)$
- $2 \times 2$  real matrices under addition  $M_2(\mathbb{R}, +)$
- Integers under addition  $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$
- Symmetric groups/general permutation groups  $S_n/\Sigma_N$ ,  $|S_n|=n!$ , defined by (S,\*), where S is the set of all permutations of  $\{1,2,\ldots,n\}$ , \* is a bijection from  $\{1,2,\ldots,n\}$  to itself.
- U(n), unitary  $n \times n$  matrices
- $GL(n, \mathbb{C})$ ,  $n \times n$  invertible matrices
- $S_n$  symmetric group/permutation group,  $|S_n| = n!$
- $D_n$  dihedral group,  $|D_n| = 2n$ , n rotations by  $\frac{360^{\circ}}{n}$ , n reflections
- Small abelian and non-abelian groups (link)
- 3. Order of a group G number of elements in it
- 4.  $g^q = e, q$  is the **order** of group element g (if does not exist, infinite order)
- 5. A **cyclic** group satisfies  $G = \{g^n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$
- 6.  $g_1, g_2$  are **generators** if  $G = \{\prod_n g_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}, g_n \in \{g_1, g_2\}\}$
- 7. A group is abelian if every two elements commute. Cyclic groups are abelian.



- 9.  $D_n$ , n-fold dihedral groups, order 2n. reflections about diagonal
- 10. Group table: For  $g_1g_2$ , apply column  $g_2$  then row  $g_1$ . Each row/column is a **complete** rearrangement/derangements of another.
- 11. A subgroup is a subset that's also a group
- 12. Let (G,\*),  $(H,\times)$  be groups

- A group homomorphism  $f: G \to H$  is a function such that  $\forall x, y \in G$ ,  $f(x * y) = f(x) \times f(y)$  (preserve group operation)
- A group isomorphism is a bijective group homomorphism
- (Example of homomorphism but not isomorphism: a subgroup, chosen carefully)
- 13. If  $(H, \times)$  is an isomorphism of (G, \*), H are  $n \times n$  invertible matrices,  $\times$  is matrix multiplication, group H is a **faithfaul representation** of G
- 14. Two elements are **conjugate**,  $g_1 \sim g_2$  iff  $\exists g, g_2 = gg_1g^{-1}$
- 15. Conjugacy classes of a group are disjoint classes of elements, where the elements in each of them are mutually conjugate. The conjugacy class of g is  $Cl(g) = \{hgh^{-1}|h \in G\}$
- 16. Conjugacy classes for  $D_n$  (nth order dihedral groups) are
  - {*e*}
  - $\{R^2, \dots, R^n\}$
  - $\{m_1, \ldots, m_n\}$
- 17. A **normal subgroup** H is a subgroup that consists entirely of conjugacy classes of G. G is a subgroup. A **proper normal subgroup** is such group with  $H \neq G$ .  $I = e \in G$ .
- 18. A group G, a subgroup  $H = \{I, h_1, h_2 ...\}$  of G,  $g \in G$ , a **left coset** of H in G is  $gH = \{g, gh_1, gh_2, ...\}$ , a **right coset** of H in G is  $Hg = \{g, h_1g, h_2g, ...\}$ .
- 19. Properties
  - $(g_1g_2)^{-1} = g_2^{-1}g_1^{-1}$
  - $g_1 \sim g_2 \implies g_2 \sim g_1$
  - $g_1 \sim g_2, g_2 \sim g_3 \implies g_1 \sim g_3$
  - The identity e of any group is a conjugacy class by itself
  - $\bullet\,$  Each element of an abelian group is in a class by itself
  - g and  $g^{-1}$  may or may not be in the same conjugacy class
  - The left and right coset of any subgroup H of G are identical if G is abelian
  - The left and right coset of any normal subgroup H are always identical (gH = Hg)  $gh \in gH$ ,  $ghg^{-1} = h_1 \in H$  because H is normal,  $gh = h_1g \in Hg$ . vice versa.
  - Order is the same in cosets |gH| = |Hg| = |H| elements of cosets are still distinct
  - Two cosets are either disjoint or identical For  $Hg_1, Hg_2$ , if  $h_1g_1 = h_2g_2$ ,  $Hg_1 = Hh_1^{-1}h_2g_2 = Hg_2$  because  $h_1^{-1}h_2 \in H$
  - Two cosets  $Hg_1$  and  $Hg_2$  are identical iff  $g_1g_2^{-1} \in H$
  - Every element of G is in some coset
  - The subgroup H and its left cosets partition GBecause  $I \in H, \forall g \in G, g \in Hg$
  - (Lagrange's theorem) If H is a subgroup of G,  $|G| = n|H|, n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

where n = |G: H| is the index of H in G, the number of distinct left/right cosets of H in G.

- The order of every  $g \in G$  divides |G|Each element generates a cyclic subgroup of the same order. If |G| is prime,  $G = C_n$  the cyclic group.
- 20. All order 4 groups are isomorphic to the cyclic group  $C_4$  or the Vierergruppe/Klein four-group
- 21. The **kernel** K of group G is the set of all k such that  $\Phi(k) = I_H$  (kinda a "nullspace" for groups)
- 22. For a homomorphic map  $\Phi: G \mapsto H$  between two groups  $(G, *), (H, \times),$

- $\Phi(g_1 * g_2) = \Phi(g_1) \times \Phi(g_2)$
- (Identity maps to identity)  $\Phi(I_G) = I_H$
- (Inverses maps to inverses)  $\Phi(g^{-1}) = [\Phi(g)]^{-1}$
- Example:  $(\mathbb{R}, +)$  and  $(U(1), \times)$ , where  $U(x) = \{c \in \mathbb{C} \mid |c| = 1\}$ ,  $\Phi(x) = e^{ix}$ ,  $\Phi(x + 2\pi) = \Phi(x)$  so only surjective, not bijective. Kernel  $K = \{2n\pi \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$
- 23. The kernel is a **normal** subgroup of G because
  - It is closed,  $\forall k_1, k_2 \in K, \ k_1 * k_2 \in K$
  - $I_G \in K$  (identity maps to identity)
  - inverse exists,  $\forall k \in K, \ k^{-1} \in K$
  - $\forall k \in K, \ \Phi(gkg^{-1}) = \Phi(g)\Phi(k)\Phi(g^{-1}) = \Phi(g)I_H[\Phi(g)]^{-1} = I_H \implies gkg^{-1} \in K$
- 24. The **product** of two cosets is the set of all products of two elements from each set  $C_1 \times C_2 = \{c_1c_2 \mid c_1 \in C_1, c_2 \in C_2\}$
- 25. The **direct product** of two groups is similar but forms ordered pairs.  $G \times H = \{(g, h) \mid g \in G, h \in H\}$

And  $(g_1, h_1) \cdot (g_2, h_2) = (g_1 * g_2, h_2 \times h_2)$ 

Example:  $D_4 = C_2 \times C_2$  ( $D_4$  is Klein four group,  $C_2$  is 2nd order cyclic group)

- 26. For a normal subgroup K of G, product of cosets  $|(g_1K)(g_2K)| = |K| \neq |K|^2$  (not all distinct) For a  $g \in (g_1K)(g_2K)$ ,  $g = g_1k_1g_2k_2 = g_1(g_2g_2^{-1})k_1g_2k_2 = g_1g_2k_1'k_2 = g_1g_2k_3 \in g_1g_2K$
- 27. For a cosets of non-normal groups,  $|(g_1K)(g_2K)| \neq |K|$
- 28. A quotient group, G/K, for a normal subgroup K is a group of its cosets in G. Example: for  $D_3$ ,  $H = \{e, r, r^2\}$ ,  $D_3/H = \{H, sH\}$ , because  $H \cdot H = H, H \cdot sH = sH$ ,  $sH \cdot sH = H$ , it's isomorphic to  $C_2$
- 29. (Factorization theorem)(Proof)

  If K is the kernel of a homomorphism  $\Phi: G \mapsto H$ , then G/K is isomorphic to H.
- 30. Cayley's theorem: every order-N finite group is isomorphic to a subgroup of  $S_n$  ( $S_n$  reminds me of power sets)
- 31.  $S_{n-1}$  is a subgroup of  $S_n$  (fix one item)
- 32. An *n*-cycle in  $S_n$  is a permutation that acts only on the positions  $p_r, r = 1, 2, ..., n < N$  written as  $(p_1, p_2, ..., p_n)$  which stands for  $\begin{pmatrix} p_1 & p_2 & ... & p_n \\ p_2 & p_3 & ... & p_1 \end{pmatrix}$
- 33. Any permutation can be decomposed uniquely into disjoint cycles.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 2 & 5 & 6 & 1 & 4 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = (1 \ 2 \ 5 \ 4) (3 \ 6) = (3 \ 6) (1 \ 2 \ 5 \ 4)$$

- 34. A two cycle is a transposition/swap.  $S_2 = C_2$
- 35. A permutation is odd/even if it is a product of odd/even permutations. An n-cycle can be decomposed into (n-1) 2-cycles (decomposition not unique, not disjoint in general). n cycles's parity depends on n-1.
- 36. The **cycle shape** of an element  $S_n$  is the set of numbers  $\{n_2, n_3, \ldots\}$  specifying the number of 2-cycles, 3-cycles,... in the **unique** decomposition into **disjoint** cycles.
- 37. The disjoint cycles are the conjugacy classes of  $S_n$ .
- 38. G is the direct product of H and J  $(G = J \times H = H \times J)$  if
  - H and J are normal subgroups of G
  - H and J are **disjoint**, apart from the identity
  - G is **generated only by** elements of H and J
- 39. If  $G = H \times J$ , G/H is isomorphic to J

 $G/H = \{jH \mid j \in J\}, \ \Phi: j \mapsto jH \text{ is a homomorphism because } H \text{ is normal } (j_1j_2H = (j_1H)(j_2H))$ 

 $j_1 \neq j_2 \implies j_1 H \neq j_2 H$ ,  $\Phi$  is 1-1 so also isomorphic.

## Representations

- 1. A n-dimensional **representation** of a group G is a homomorphism from G to a subgroup of  $GL(n,\mathbb{C})$ . It's **faithful** if it's also isomorphic, otherwise **unfaithful**.
- 2. Regular representation G are matrices D(g) generated by  $G = \{g_1 = e, g_2, \dots, g_N\}, \ g^{-1}G = \{g_{p(1)}, g_{p(2)}, \dots, g_{p(N)}\}, \ D_{ij} = \delta_{p(i),j} = \delta_{i,p^{-1}(j)}$  (Row order of D(g) is element order of  $g^{-1}G$ ,  $D(e) = \mathbf{I}$ )
- 3. Two sets of matices are **equivalent** if they are similar by an invertible matrix S (similarity transformation)
- 4. If complex conjugate matrix  $D^*(g) \sim D(g)$  for all g, can you make D(g) entirely real? It's unknown, if you can, it's real. Otherwise, D is pseudo-real.
- 5. Direct sum of representations  $D^{(1)}(g) \oplus D^{(2)}(g) = \begin{pmatrix} D^{(1)}(g) & 0 \\ 0 & D^{(2)}(g) \end{pmatrix}$  is a block-diagonal matrix.
- 6. Direct product of representations  $\otimes$ , equations are cumbersome, better just see its picture.
- 7. The **character** of a representation is  $\{\operatorname{Tr}(D(g)) \mid g \in G\}$ 
  - Due to property of trace, equivalent representation have identical character
  - q in the same conjugacy class have the same character
  - Character of regular representation  $\{|G|, 0, 0, \dots, 0\}$
- 8. Invariant subspace of a set of linear operations  $\{A_i\}$  is  $W \subseteq V$  such that  $x \in W, \mathbf{A}_i x \in W, \forall A_i \in \{A_i\}.$

Remark. higher dimensional "eigenvector"-like stuff

- 9. A representation  $\{D(g)\}$  is irreducible representation (**irrep**) iff  $\{0\}$  and  $V = \mathbb{C}^n$  are the only invariant subspaces, where dimension of D(g) is n.
- 10. A 2D non-abelian representation is irreducible (diagonal matrices are abelian)
- 11. The group-invariant inner product  $[\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}] = \sum_{g \in G} (\mathbf{D}(g)\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{D}(g)\mathbf{y})$ , where  $(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{x}^{\dagger}\mathbf{y}$ 
  - $(\mathbf{D}(h)\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{D}(h)\mathbf{y}) = [\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}], h \in G$
  - Length is  $[\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}]^{1/2}$
  - Group representations D(g) unitary using this inner product (because length preserved),  $GL(n, \mathbb{C})$  similar to U(n)
  - Unitary matrices have orthogonal eigenvectors, thus "mutually orthogonal invariant subspaces"
  - The representations of finite groups can always be taken to be unitary with respect to this inner product, if we use **orthonormal basis**.
- 12. All 1D (unfaithful) representations are irreducible (no subspace that's not {0} or itself). Any two different 1D representations are inequivalent.
- 13. Character table of **irreps** (irreducible representations) of  $D_4$

	I	$R^2$	R	$R^3$	$m_1$	$m_2$	$m_3$	$m_4$
$\chi_{d^{(1)}}$	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
$\chi_{d^{(2)}}$	1	1	1	1	-1	-1	-1	-1
$\chi_{d^{(3)}}$	1	1	-1	-1	1	1	-1	-1
$\chi_{d^{(4)}}$	1	1	-1	-1	-1	-1	1	1
$\chi_{d^{(5)}}$	2	-2	0	0	0	0	0	0

- $\chi_i^J$  denotes *i*-th column, *J*-th row in the character table above
- First four unfaithful 1D, last one faithful 2D
- Vertical lines separates conjugacy classes
- Column in different conjugacy classes are orthogonal
- Rows are orthogonal (gridlock orthogonality)
- rows sum to 0, except for the 1st one ★
- (Theorem 1) The number of inequivalent irreps  $\rho =$  the number of conjugacy classes  $c \star$

(Horizontal, vertical, both 5 cells, counting each conjugacy class as one)

• (Theorem 2)

Sum of squared dimensions of inequivalent irreps in a conjugacy class =  $|G| = \sum_{J=1}^{\nu} d_J^2 \star$  (only last/fifth representation 2D, others 1D.  $1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2 + 2^2 = 8$ ) A special case of column orthogonality.

- (Theorem 3) The dimension  $d_J$  of each irrep divides  $|G| \star$
- (Corollary of 2) Every irrep has dimension  $\leq (|G|-1)^{1/2}$ , groups with |G| < 5 cannot have have 2d irrep, they're abelian. Only  $|C_5| = 5$  because 5 is prime, so smallet non-abelian group is  $D_3$ ,  $|D_3| = 6$ .
- 14. (Schur's 1st lemma) For two irreps with matrices  $D_1(g): U \to U$ ,  $D_2(g): V \to V$ , define the intertwining operator  $T: U \to V$  to be

$$\forall g \in G, \quad TD_1(g) = D_2(g)T,$$

then

- T = 0. The irreps can be equivalent or inequivalent.
- T is invertible, and the irreps must be equivalent. U = V have same dimensions
- 15. (Schur's 2nd lemma) A matrix that commutes with all D(g) of an irrep is  $T = \lambda \mathbf{I}, \ \lambda \in \mathbb{C}_{\bigstar}$
- 16. (The grand orthogonality theorem) Let  $D^J(g): G \to V_J$  be matrices of an irrep,  $V_J = \operatorname{GL}_d(\mathbb{C})$ , J loops through all inequivalent irreps,  $d = \dim V_J$

$$\frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{g \in G} (D_{ij}^{J}(g^{-1})) D_{kl}^{K}(g) = \frac{1}{d} \delta_{jk} \delta_{il} \delta^{JK}$$

where  $\delta^{JJ} = 1$  is not summed over  $\bigstar$ .

17.

$$\sum_{g \in G} D_{ij}^{\dagger}(g) D_{kl}(g) = \frac{|G|}{d} \delta_{il} \delta_{jk}$$

- 18. g in same conjugacy class have the same trace/character so character  $\chi(g) = \text{Tr } D(g)$  is a class function.
- 19. (Row orthogonality) Take trace on boths sides (i = j, k = l)

$$\sum_{g \in G} (\chi^{J}(g))^{*} \chi^{K}(g) = \sum_{i=1}^{c} |C_{i}| (\chi_{i}^{J})^{*} \chi_{i}^{K} = |G| \delta^{JK} = \begin{cases} |G|, & \text{if } i = j \\ 0, & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$$

where  $|C_i|$  is size of  $C_i$ ,  $\chi_i$  is  $\chi(g)$  for g in  $C_i$ ,  $C_i$  is the i-th conjugacy class.

Remark.  $\chi$  are c-dimensional vectors, for  $\rho$  inequivalent irreps, we have  $\rho$  distinct  $\chi$ .  $\rho \leq c$  for linear independence

20. (Column orthogonality) ★

$$\sum_{J=1}^{\rho} (\chi_i^J)^* \chi_j^J = \begin{cases} \frac{|G|}{|C_i|}, & \text{if } i = j \\ 0, & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$$

Remark.  $\chi$  are  $\rho$  dimensional vectors, we have c distinct such vectors,  $c \leq \rho$ .

- 21.  $\star \rho = c$  because of column and row orthogonality,  $c \leq \rho$  and  $\rho \leq c$ .
- 22.  $\chi_1^J = d_J$ ; for each irrep J,  $\chi_1 = \chi(e) = Tr(I^{(d_J)}) = d_J$  is the dimension of the representation.
- 23.  $\bigstar$  From column orthogonality, the first column (identity e),  $\sum_{J=1}^{\rho} |\chi_1^J|^2 = \sum_{J=1}^{\rho} d_J^2 = \frac{|G|}{|C_1|}$ ,  $|C_1|$  is the size of first conjugacy class,  $\{e\}$ ,  $|C_1| = 1$ .
- 24.  $\chi(D_1(g) \oplus D_2(g)) = \chi(D_1(g)) + \chi(D_1(g)),$  $\chi(D_1(g) \otimes D_2(g)) = \chi(D_1(g))\chi(D_1(g))$
- 25. (**Decomposition** of a reducible representation)

$$\mathbf{SD}(g)\mathbf{S}^{-1} = \bigotimes_{J=1}^{\rho} \left( \mathbf{I}^{(n_J)} \otimes \mathbf{D}^J(g) \right)$$

where  $\mathbf{I}^{(n)}$  is  $n \times n$  identity matrix, J loops through  $\rho$  inequivalent irreps,  $n_J$  is number of times J-th irrep  $\mathbf{D}^J(g)$  occurred.

- 26. Take trace on both sides,  $\chi(g) = \sum_{J=1}^{\rho} n_J \chi^J(g)$
- 27.  $n_J = \langle \chi, \chi^J \rangle = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_i^c |C_i| \chi(g) (\chi^J(g))^* = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{g \in G} \chi(g)^* \chi^J(g)$  is always an integer (multiplicity of  $\chi^J$  in  $\chi$ )
- 28.  $\star$  Let  $\chi^1$  be the trivial irrep (all 1s, so  $\chi^1(g) = 1$ ),  $\langle \chi^J, \chi^1 \rangle = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{g \in G} \chi^J(g) = \delta^{J1} \implies \sum_{g \in G} \chi^J(g) = |G| \delta^{J1}$

### Other tricks

- 1. Remove poles/infinities by introducing a small value, and set it to 0 after all the calculations Examples
  - (Lecture notes) Evaluate  $\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ikx} dk$  by considering  $\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ikx \epsilon|k|} dk$
  - (Lecture notes) Prove  $\mathcal{F}[H(x-a)] = \frac{e^{-ika}}{\sqrt{2\pi}ik}$  with a similar technique. (Also relate  $\mathcal{F}[f]$  with  $\mathcal{F}[f']$ )
  - (Problem sheet 1)

A time-independent magnetic field  $\boldsymbol{B}(\boldsymbol{r})$  is given by

$$\boldsymbol{B} = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi} \, \frac{\boldsymbol{e}_z \times \boldsymbol{r}}{x^2 + y^2} \,,$$

where  $\mu_0$  is the magnetic permeability and I is a constant. Using Cartesian coordinates, calculate the electric current density J given by the steady Maxwell equation  $\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 J$ . Also evaluate  $\oint_C \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{r}$ , where C is a circle of radius a in the plane z = 0 and centred on x = y = 0. Discuss whether Stokes's theorem applies in this situation.

- (Wikipedia) Sturm-Liouville operator  $L = \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \left[ p(x) \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \right] + q(x)$
- (Wikipedia) Boundary condition operator  $\mathbf{D}u = \begin{pmatrix} A_1 \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} + B_1 \\ A_2 \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} + B_2 \\ x=l \end{pmatrix}_{x=l}$
- (Wikipedia) d'Alembert operator  $\Box = \partial^{\mu}\partial_{\mu} = \eta^{\mu\nu}\partial_{\nu}\partial_{\mu} = \frac{1}{c^2}\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \nabla^2$

# Examples

- 1.  $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2} dx = \pi$ , answer, a theorem
- 2. (hint: Feynann's trick)  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x^2 e^x}{(e^x+1)^2} \mathrm{d}x = \pi^2/3, \text{ answer}$
- 3. Scale solution  $\Phi$  of  $\nabla^2 \Phi = 0$  to fit similar boundary conditions:  $\Phi\left(x, \frac{y}{a}\right)$  is wrong.  $\Phi\left(\frac{x}{a}, \frac{y}{a}\right)$  is correct (Lent question sheet 4, Q1)

### **Proofs**

1. ★

$$1 = \lim_{x \to 0} \int_{\zeta - \epsilon}^{\zeta + \epsilon} \delta(x - \zeta) dx = \lim_{x \to 0} \int_{\zeta - \epsilon}^{\zeta + \epsilon} \mathcal{L}G(x, \zeta) dx$$

$$= \lim_{x \to 0} \int_{\zeta - \epsilon}^{\zeta + \epsilon} \left( \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial x^2} + p(x) \frac{\partial G}{\partial x} + qG \right) dx$$

$$= \lim_{x \to 0} \int_{\zeta - \epsilon}^{\zeta + \epsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial x} + pG \right) + \left( -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + q \right) G dx$$

$$= \lim_{x \to 0} \int_{\zeta - \epsilon}^{\zeta + \epsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial x} + pG \right) dx$$

$$= \lim_{x \to 0} \left[ \frac{\partial G}{\partial x} + pG \right]_{\zeta - \epsilon}^{\zeta + \epsilon}$$

because p, q are continuous.

Thus G is continuous, satisfies the same boundary condition as y and  $\lim_{x\to 0} \left[\frac{\partial G}{\partial x}\right]_{\zeta=\epsilon}^{\zeta+\epsilon} = 1$ .

- 2. Schur's first lemma \*
  - Show Kernel $(T) \subseteq U$  and Image $(T) \subseteq V$  are invariant subspaces of  $\{D_1(g) \mid g \in G\}$  and  $\{D_2(g) \mid g \in G\}$  by using definitions on elements in them
  - If  $T \neq \mathbf{0}$ , Kernel $(T) = \{0\}$ , Image(T) = V, so T is one-to-one and onto, invertible
  - $D_1(g) = T^{-1}D_2(g)T$ , the two irreps are equivalent
- 3. Schur's second lemma \*
  - D(q)T = TD(q)
  - whether T is singular or not,  $T \lambda I$  is singular, where  $\lambda$  is one of its eigenvalues
  - $D(g)T \lambda D(g) = TD(g) \lambda D(g), D(g)(T \lambda I) = (T \lambda I)D(g)$
  - use first lemma,  $T \lambda I$  is invertible or 0
  - $T \lambda I = 0, T = \lambda I$
  - Better explanantion here

- 4. Grand orthogonality theorem ★
  - Let  $d = \dim V_J$ , M be any  $d \times d$  matrix,  $T = \sum_{g \in G} D^J(g^{-1}) M D^K(g)$
  - gG = G, element on whole group causes a derangement,  $D^J(g)T = T = TD^K(g)$
  - If J=K, use Schur's second lemma,  $T=\lambda(M)\mathbf{I}\delta^{JK}$
  - $\sum_{g \in G} D_{ij}^{J}(g^{-1}) M_{jk} D_{kl}^{K}(g) = \lambda(M) \delta_{il} \delta^{JK}$ ,  $\lambda$  depends on M
  - $\sum_{g \in G} D_{ij}^J(g^{-1}) D_{kl}^K(g) = \lambda_{jk} \delta_{il} \delta^{JK}$ , where  $\lambda_{jk} = \lambda(M^{jk})$ ,  $M^{jk}$  has 1 at  $M_{jk}$ , otherwise 0
  - $\lambda_{jk}\delta_{ii}\delta^{JJ} = \sum_{g \in G} D^{J}_{ij}(g^{-1})D^{J}_{ki}(g) = \sum_{g \in G} D^{J}_{ij}(g^{-1})D^{J}_{jk}(g)D^{J}_{jk}(g^{-1})D^{J}_{ki}(g)$   $= \sum_{g \in G} D^{J}_{ik}(e)D^{J}_{ki}(e) = \sum_{g \in G} D_{jk}(e) = \sum_{g \in G} \delta_{jk} = |G|\delta_{jk}$

 $\delta_{ii} = d, \, \delta^{JJ} \stackrel{geo}{=} 1$  because J is not summed over

- $\lambda_{jk} = \frac{1}{d} |G| \delta_{jk}$
- $D(g^{-1}) = (D(g))^{-1} = (D(g))^{\dagger}$  because D is unitary wrt. group invariant inner product
- $\frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{g \in G} (D_{ij}^{J}(g^{-1}))^{\dagger} D_{kl}^{K}(g) = \frac{1}{d} \delta_{jk} \delta_{il} \delta^{JK}$
- 5. Column orthogonality of character table \*
  - Not obvious but here we are
  - $\langle \chi_i^J, \chi_i^K \rangle = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{i=1}^c |C_i| (\chi_i^J) \chi_i^K = \delta^{JK}$
  - Define character table matrix **X** using  $\mathbf{X}_{iJ} = \chi_i^J$  (subscript horizontal/G, superscript vertical/ $C_i$ )
  - $\mathbf{I} = \mathbf{X} \frac{1}{|G|} \begin{pmatrix} |C_1| & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & |C_c| \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{X}^T = \mathbf{X} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{X}^T$
  - **X** is  $\rho \times c$ , **D** is  $c \times c$ , so it fits.  $\rho \neq c$  in general, yet.
  - $\mathbf{X}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{X}^T = I, \mathbf{X}^T = \mathbf{D}^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{-1}, \mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{D}^{-1} = |G| \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{|C_1|} & \cdots & 0\\ 0 & \ddots & 0\\ 0 & \cdots & \frac{1}{|C_c|} \end{pmatrix}$
  - Products of columns of  ${\bf X}$  goes to diagonal
  - take  $(\cdot)_{ij}$  on both sides,  $\sum_{J=1}^{\rho} \chi_i^J \chi_j^J = \begin{cases} \frac{|G|}{|C_i|} & \text{or} \quad \frac{|G|}{|C_j|}, \\ 0, & \text{if} \quad i = j \end{cases}$
- 6. ★ Proof here
  - Because I just want to sleep, see link above
  - I would rather just start over everything reading abstract algebra in the future