

MA204: Mathematics IV

Partial Differential Equation (Fourier Transform)

Fourier Series

The infinite series expansion

$$\frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ a_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} + b_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \right\},$$

where

$$a_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_c^{c+L} f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx$$

and

$$b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_c^{c+L} f(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx$$

is called Fourier's series expansion of $f(x)$ in $[c, c + L]$.

Fourier Series

The term-by-term differentiation of a Fourier series is not always permissible.

Theorem

Let $f(x) : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous and $f(x + 2L) = f(x)$. Let $f'(x)$ and $f''(x)$ be piecewise continuous on $[-L, L]$. Then, The Fourier series of $f'(x)$ can be obtained from the Fourier series for $f(x)$ by termwise differentiation.

Fourier Series

Termwise integration of a Fourier series is permissible under much weaker conditions.

Theorem

Let $f(x) : [-L, L] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be piecewise continuous function with Fourier series

$$f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ a_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} + b_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \right\}.$$

Then, for any $x \in [-L, L]$, we have

$$\int_{-L}^x f(x) dx = \int_{-L}^x \left\{ \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ a_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} + b_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \right\} \right\} dx.$$

Fourier Series

The complex form of Fourier series expansion of a function $f(x)$ is given by

$$f(x) \equiv \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{\frac{in\pi x}{L}},$$

where

$$c_n = \frac{1}{2}(a_n - ib_n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) e^{-\frac{in\pi x}{L}} dx$$

and

$$c_{-n} = \bar{c}_n = \frac{1}{2}(a_n + ib_n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) e^{\frac{in\pi x}{L}} dx.$$

Fourier Integral

Thus we have the expression

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \cos\{s(t-x)\} dt ds,$$

called the Fourier integral representation of $f(x)$.

Another way of defining the Fourier integral of $f(x)$ is

$$f(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-ist} \left\{ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} f(\alpha) e^{is\alpha} d\alpha \right\} ds.$$

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Fourier Transform

Fourier Transform of derivatives

Under the assumption that U and $\frac{\partial U}{\partial x}$ vanish as $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$, let $\bar{U}(s, t)$ be the Fourier transform of the function $U(x, t)$, then

$$(1) \mathcal{F}\{U_x\} = is\bar{U}(s, t)$$

$$(2) \mathcal{F}\{U_{xx}\} = -s^2\bar{U}(s, t)$$

$$(3) \mathcal{F}\{U_t\} = \bar{U}'(s, t)$$

$$(4) \mathcal{F}\{U_{tt}\} = \bar{U}''(s, t)$$

In addition, we have the following results

$$(1) \mathcal{F}_s\{U_t\} = \bar{U}'_s, \mathcal{F}_s\{U_{tt}\} = \bar{U}''_s, \text{ and } \mathcal{F}_s\{U_{xx}\} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}}\{sU(0, t) - s^2\bar{U}_s\}$$

$$(2) \mathcal{F}_c\{U_t\} = \bar{U}'_c, \mathcal{F}_c\{U_{tt}\} = \bar{U}''_c, \text{ and}$$

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Convolution

A convolution is an integral that expresses the amount of overlap of one function f_2 as it is shifted over another function f_1 .

In other words, the output which produces a third function can be viewed as a modified version of one of the original functions.

Definition

The convolution of two functions $f_1(t)$ and $f_2(t)$, $-\infty < t < \infty$, is defined as

$$f_1(t) * f_2(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_1(\tau) f_2(t-\tau) d\tau = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_1(t-\zeta) f_2(\zeta) d\zeta = f_2(t) * f_1(t)$$

provided the integral exists for each t .

Convolution

Theorem

*If $F(s)$ and $G(s)$ are the Fourier transforms of $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ respectively, then the Fourier transform of the convolution $f * g$ is $F(s)G(s)$.*

Problem: Find the convolution of $u(t) = \begin{cases} 1 - t, & \text{if } 0 \leq t < 1; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise;} \end{cases}$ and

$v(t) = \begin{cases} e^{-t}, & \text{if } t \geq 0; \\ 0, & \text{if } t < 0. \end{cases}$ Moreover find $\mathcal{F}\{u(t) * v(t)\}$.

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