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§ 11.5 Continued .

We just saw that if $f(x) \sim \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} c_k \varphi_k$ then

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |c_n|^2 \leq \|f\|^2 \quad (\text{Bessel's formula})$$

and

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |c_n|^2 = \|f\|^2 \quad (\text{Parseval's formula})$$

iff

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\| f - \sum_{k=0}^n c_k \varphi_k \right\| = 0.$$

Consequences of these inequalities/equalities ; observations

① Since $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |c_n|^2$ converges, $|c_n|^2 \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, and thus $c_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ as well. Applying this observation to the orthonormal system $\varphi_n(x) = \frac{e^{-inx}}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$, we

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \frac{e^{-inx}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dx \\ &\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) e^{-inx} dx = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Using Euler's formula :

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) [\cos(nx) + i \sin(nx)] dx = 0$$

which implies the real and imaginary parts must converge to zero independently:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \cos(nx) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \sin(nx) dx = 0.$$

② Parseval's formula is a "generalization" of the Pythagorean Theorem, instead of, for $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\|\vec{x}\|^2 = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2 \text{ we have}$$

$$\|f\|^2 = |c_1|^2 + |c_2|^2 + \dots \text{ for } f \in L^2(I).$$

③ We already saw that the collection

$$\left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}, \frac{\cos x}{\sqrt{\pi}}, \frac{\sin(2x)}{\sqrt{\pi}}, \frac{\cos(3x)}{\sqrt{\pi}}, \dots \right\}$$

is orthonormal on $[0, 2\pi]$. So we would compute the Fourier coefficients for these functions using the formulae

$$c_{\text{odd}} = \left(f, \frac{\cos(nx)}{\sqrt{\pi}} \right) = \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \frac{\cos(nx)}{\sqrt{\pi}} dx \text{ and}$$

$$c_{\text{even}} = \left(f, \frac{\sin(nx)}{\sqrt{\pi}} \right) = \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \frac{\sin(nx)}{\sqrt{\pi}} dx, \text{ as expected.}$$

If instead of $f \sim \sum c_k \varphi_k$ for φ_k as above we decided to write

$$f(x) \sim \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx)$$

then the a_n 's and b_n 's are no longer the Fourier coefficients as defined in our text, as the functions $\cos nx, \sin nx$ are not orthonormal. Here, a_n is related to the n^{th} Fourier coefficient (n odd), by $a_n = \frac{c_n}{\sqrt{\pi}}$ (similarly $b_n = \frac{c_n}{\sqrt{\pi}}$)

and so are computed as

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \cos(nx) dx, \quad b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \sin(nx) dx.$$

Then Parseval's formula would become

$$\pi \left(\sum |a_k|^2 + \sum |b_k|^2 \right) = \|f\|^2.$$

In general, working on an interval of length $[0, 2L]$ for some $L > 0$, the functions become

$$\left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2L}}, \frac{\cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)}{\sqrt{L}}, \frac{\sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)}{\sqrt{L}} \right\} \text{ giving us a new}$$

orthonormal system on $[0, 2L]$. Then the a_n 's and b_n 's are computed by

$$a_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^{2L} f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx, \quad b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^{2L} f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

and $a_0 = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^{2L} f(x) dx$. Then these a_n 's and b_n 's are

related to the "true" Fourier coefficients c_k , as before, by

$$\frac{c_k}{\sqrt{L}} = a_k, \quad \frac{c_k}{\sqrt{L}} = b_k \text{ for } k \text{ odd/even respectively. Parseval's}$$

$$\text{formula is } \sum |a_k|^2 + \sum |b_k|^2 = \|f\|^2 \cdot \frac{1}{L}.$$

In fact, there is nothing special about the interval $[0, 2L]$ — we can use any interval $[0+y, 2L+y]$, $y \in \mathbb{R}$ (any shift). Then, for example (provided we check the necessary convergence properties) Parseval's formula gives remarkable results.

Consider $f(x) = x$ on the interval $[-2, 2]$. Compute a_n and b_n using the formulas above. We find $a_n = 0$ since $f(x)$ is odd, and

$$b_n = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-2}^2 x \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right) dx = \text{some work} \dots$$

$$= \frac{-4}{n\pi} \cos(n\pi), = \begin{cases} \frac{4}{n\pi} & n \text{ odd} \\ -\frac{4}{n\pi} & n \text{ even} \end{cases} = \frac{(-1)^{n+1} \cdot 4}{n\pi}.$$

Then Parseval's formula becomes

$$\sum |a_n|^2 + \sum |b_n|^2 = \|f\|^2 \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{4}{\pi}\right)^2 \cdot \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} = \int_{-2}^2 x^2 dx \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$

And $\int_{-2}^2 x^2 dx = \left[\frac{x^3}{3}\right]_{-2}^2 = \frac{16}{3}$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{16} \cdot \frac{16}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6}}.$$

§ 11.6 The Riesz-Fischer Theorem

First we must pick up some background material that was not covered in Analysis 2. Unfortunately we cannot provide a proof as it would represent a substantial digression.

Theorem 10.57: Let $\{f_n\}$ be a Cauchy sequence of complex-valued functions with $f_n \in L^2(I)$ for all n . That is,
 $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists N$ st.

$$\|f_m - f_n\| < \varepsilon \text{ whenever } m, n \geq N$$

(here $\|\cdot\|$ is the norm on $L^2(I)$). Then there exists a function $f \in L^2(I)$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f_n - f\| = 0$.

Interpretation of this theorem : Recall that a metric space (X, d) is complete if every Cauchy sequence converges.

The set $L^2(I)$ with

$$d(f, g) = \|f - g\| = \sqrt{\int_I |f(x) - g(x)|^2 dx} \quad \left(\int_I |f - g|^2 dx \right)^{1/2}$$

is very nearly a metric space. The function d satisfies:

- ① $d(f, f) = 0$
- ② $d(f, g) = d(g, f)$
- ③ $d(f, h) \leq d(f, g) + d(g, h)$

BUT NOT

- ④ $d(f, g) > 0$ if $f \neq g$, because f and g can differ on a set of measure zero and still yield $f - g = 0$ almost everywhere, so $\int_I |f - g|^2 dx = 0$.

Thus we call $L^2(I)$ a semimetric space. The Riesz Fischer Theorem tells us that $L^2(I)$ is complete, in the same sense as a metric space (X, d) .

We use this to prove:

Theorem: Assume $\{\varphi_0, \varphi_1, \dots\}$ are orthonormal on I . Let $\{c_n\}$ be any sequence such that $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |c_n|^2 < \infty$. Then $\exists f \in L^2(I)$ such that

a) $(f, \varphi_k) = c_k \quad \forall k \geq 0$, and

b) $\|f\|^2 = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |c_k|^2$ ~~(φ_k is not zero)~~

Remark: This fact genuinely relies on $L^2(I)$ being complete. There is no analogous theorem for functions f st f^2 is Riemann-integrable, for instance (The RF theorem does not apply to such functions).

Proof: Set $s_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n c_k \varphi_k(x)$. We will show that $\exists f \in L^2(I)$

with $(f, \varphi_k) = c_k$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f - s_n\| = 0$. Part (b) of the

Theorem then follows from Parseval's formula.

First, if $m > n$ then $s_n - s_m = \sum_{k=n+1}^{m-1} c_k \varphi_k$ and so

$$\begin{aligned}\|s_n - s_m\| &= \left\| \sum_{k=n+1}^m \sum_{r=n+1}^m c_k \bar{c}_r (\varphi_k, \varphi_r) \right\| \\ &= \sum_{k=n+1}^m |c_k|^2.\end{aligned}$$

Since $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |c_k|^2 = 0$, this sum can be made arbitrarily small by choosing n and m sufficiently large. Thus $\{s_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in $L^2(I)$. By the Riesz Fischer Theorem, there exists $f \in L^2(I)$ such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f - s_n\| = 0.$$

Thus we need only show that $(f, \varphi_k) = c_k$ for such an f . Note that for $n \geq k$, $(s_n, \varphi_k) = c_k$ and so by the Cauchy-Schwartz inequality:

$$\begin{aligned}|c_k - (f, \varphi_k)| &= |(s_n, \varphi_k) - (f, \varphi_k)| \\ &= |(s_n - f, \varphi_k)| \leq \|s_n - f\| \cdot \|\varphi_k\|\end{aligned}$$

and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|s_n - f\| = 0$ gives the result.

§ 11.7

We now specialize and consider the trig orthonormal system, and the Fourier series

$$f \sim \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos(nx) + b_n \sin(nx)) \text{ on } [0, 2\pi].$$

We focus on:

- ① Convergence problem: Does the series on the RHS above converge, at least at some point $x_0 \in I$?
- ② Representation problem: When the answer to ① is 'yes', do we have $f(x_0) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos(nx_0) + b_n \sin(nx_0))$?

In order to address either of these questions—which we will do by proving Fejér's theorems—we first need some preliminary limit results.

The Riemann–Lebesgue Lemma (§ 11.8)

Theorem: Assume $f \in L(I)$. Then, for all $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$ we have

$$\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} \int_I f(t) \sin(\alpha t + \beta) dt = 0.$$

Proof: Recall the characteristic function of a set $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}$

is

$$\chi_s : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$$

$$\chi_s(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in S \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin S. \end{cases}$$

If $f(t)$ happens to be the characteristic function of an interval $[a, b]$, then ($[a, b] \subseteq I$)

$$\int_I f(t) \sin(at + \beta) dt = \int_a^b \sin(at + \beta) dt$$

and thus

$$\left| \int_a^b \sin(at + \beta) dt \right| = \left| \frac{\cos(aa + \beta) - \cos(bb + \beta)}{\alpha} \right| \leq \frac{2}{\alpha} \quad (\text{if } \alpha > 0)$$

and thus $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \int_I f(t) \sin(at + \beta) dt = 0$.

The result is also true if $f(t)$ is constant on (a, b) , zero on $\mathbb{R} \setminus [a, b]$ and arbitrary at a and b . In particular the result holds for every step function.

But now the result holds for every $f \in L(I)$: Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given, then there exists a step function s such that

$$\int_I |f - s| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \quad (\text{Theorem 10.19})$$

(Recall a step function on $[a, b]$ is a function for which $\exists \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\} \subset [a, b]$ st. the function is constant on each interval (x_i, x_{i+1})).

Then $\exists M > 0$ st.

$$\left| \int_I s(t) \sin(at + \beta) dt \right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \quad \text{if } \alpha \geq M,$$

since our result holds for step functions.

So if $\alpha \geq M$,

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_I f(t) \sin(\alpha t + \beta) dt \right| &\leq \left| \int_I (f(t) - s(t)) \sin(\alpha t + \beta) dt \right| \\ &\quad + \left| \int_I s(t) \sin(\alpha t + \beta) dt \right| \\ &\leq \int_I |f(t) - s(t)| dt + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \\ &= \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Remark ①: The same result obviously holds if \sin is replaced with \cos , by taking $\beta' + \pi/2 = \beta$; so

$$\sin(\alpha t + \beta' + \pi/2) = \cos(\alpha t + \beta').$$

② By taking either $\beta=0$ or $\beta=\pi/2$ we also arrive at

$$\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} \int_I f(t) \sin(\alpha t) dt = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} \int_I f(t) \cos(\alpha t) dt = 0.$$

③ The claim in the previous proof that "the result holds for all step functions" easily follows from:

If f is a step function then $f = \sum_{k=1}^n c_k f_k(t)$ where f_k are characteristic functions of intervals. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} \int_I \left(\sum_{k=1}^n c_k f_k(t) \right) \sin(\alpha t + \beta) dt \\ = \sum_{k=1}^n c_k \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} \int_I f_k(t) \sin(\alpha t + \beta) dt = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Corollary (Needed for later). (Theorem 11.7).

If $f \in L(-\infty, \infty)$ then

$$\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \frac{1 - \cos(\alpha t)}{t} dt = \int_0^{\infty} f(t) - f(-t) dt.$$

Proof: First note that $\frac{1 - \cos(\alpha t)}{t}$ is continuous and bounded on $(-\infty, \infty)$ if we understand this expression to take on $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos(\alpha t)}{t} = 0$ at $t=0$, and thus the Lebesgue integral on the RHS exists. Then compute,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \frac{1 - \cos(\alpha t)}{t} dt &= \int_0^{\infty} f(t) \frac{1 - \cos(\alpha t)}{t} dt + \int_{-\infty}^0 f(t) \frac{1 - \cos(\alpha t)}{t} dt \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} (f(t) - f(-t)) \frac{1 - \cos(\alpha t)}{t} dt \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{f(t) - f(-t)}{t} dt \neq \int_0^{\infty} \frac{f(t) - f(-t)}{t} \cos(\alpha t) dt. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, taking limits as $\alpha \rightarrow \infty$, (and employing Remark 2) we arrive at the claimed result.

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§ 11.9 Dirichlet Integrals.

Next, we prep a few integrals that will be useful going forward. The integral

$$\int_0^\delta g(t) \frac{\sin(at)}{t} dt, \quad a \in \mathbb{R}$$

is called a Dirichlet integral. Suppose that $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} g(t) = g(0^+)$ exists, in fact, suppose for the time being that $g(t)$ has the constant value $g(0^+)$ on $[0, \delta]$.

Then $\lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\delta g(t) \frac{\sin(at)}{t} dt$

$$= g(0^+) \left[\int_0^\infty \frac{\sin(at)}{t} dt \right] \frac{2}{\pi} = g(0^+) \cdot \frac{\pi}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{\pi} = g(0^+).$$

See Example 3, §10.16

More generally, suppose $g \in L([0, \delta])$ and $0 < \varepsilon < \delta$.

Then $\lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{\pi} \int_\varepsilon^\delta g(t) \frac{\sin(at)}{t} dt = 0$,

by the Riemann-Lebesgue Lemma. So the value of the limit

$$\lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\delta g(t) \frac{\sin(at)}{t} dt,$$

which we will now investigate, seems to

be dictated by the behaviour of $g(t)$ near 0—
and should be equal to $g(0^+)$.

Theorem 11.8 (Jordan). If g is of bounded variation
on $[0, \delta]$, then $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\delta g(t) \frac{\sin(\alpha t)}{t} dt = g(0^+)$.

(Recall a function is of bounded variation if

$$V(f) = \sup_{P \in \mathcal{P}(I)} \sum_{i=0}^{n_p-1} |f(x_{i+1}) - f(x_i)| \text{ exists, where } \mathcal{P}(I)$$

is the set of all partitions $\{x_0, \dots, x_{n_p}\}$ of I).

Proof: It suffices to prove the theorem for increasing
function $g(t)$, since by Theorem 6.13 every function
of bounded variation is a difference of increasing functions.

So suppose $g(t)$ is increasing on $[0, \delta]$, $\alpha > 0$ and
 $0 < h < \delta$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\delta g(t) \frac{\sin(\alpha t)}{t} dt &= \int_0^h (g(t) - g(0^+)) \frac{\sin(\alpha t)}{t} dt \\ &\quad + \int_0^h g(0^+) \frac{\sin(\alpha t)}{t} dt + \int_h^\delta g(t) \frac{\sin(\alpha t)}{t} dt. \end{aligned}$$

Call the quantities on the RHS $I_1(\alpha, h)$, $I_2(\alpha, h)$ and
 $I_3(\alpha, h)$ respectively. Now the RL-Lemma applies to $I_3(\alpha, h)$
and

$$\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} I_3(\alpha, h) = 0.$$

We compute directly

$$I_2(\alpha, h) = g(0^+) \int_0^h \frac{\sin(at)}{t} dt$$

$$= g(0^+) \int_0^{h\alpha} \frac{\sin t}{t} dt$$

To check this, set $u = at \Rightarrow t = \frac{u}{\alpha}$ & $dt = \frac{du}{\alpha}$

$$\text{So } \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} I_2(\alpha, h) = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} g(0^+) \int_0^{h\alpha} \frac{\sin t}{t} dt = \frac{\pi}{2} g(0^+).$$

Thus we need only deal with $I_1(\alpha, h)$.

Choose M with $\left| \int_a^b \frac{\sin t}{t} dt \right| < M$ $\forall a, b$ with $0 \leq a \leq b$.

Then $\left| \int_a^b \frac{\sin(at)}{t} dt \right| < M \quad \forall \alpha > 0$. Now let $\varepsilon > 0$ and

choose $h \in (0, \delta)$ st. $|g(h) - g(0^+)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3M}$. Then

$g(t) - g(0^+) \geq 0$ if $t \in [0, h]$.

Bonnet's Theorem (7.37) lets us write

$$I_1(\alpha, h) = \int_0^h (g(t) - g(0^+)) \frac{\sin(at)}{t} dt = (g(h) - g(0^+)) \int_0^h \frac{\sin(at)}{t} dt$$

for some $c \in [0, h]$. By our choice of h , we then get

$$|I_1(\alpha, h)| = |g(h) - g(0^+)| \left| \int_c^h \frac{\sin(at)}{t} dt \right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3M} \cdot M = \frac{\varepsilon}{3}.$$

For the same h , choose A s.t. $\alpha \geq A$ implies

$$|I_3(\alpha, h)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3} \text{ and } |I_2(\alpha, h) - \frac{\pi}{2}g(0^+)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}.$$

Then with has above, for $\alpha \geq A$ we have

$$\left| \int_0^\delta g(t) \frac{\sin(\alpha t)}{t} dt - \frac{\pi}{2}g(0^+) \right| < \varepsilon,$$

which proves the Theorem.

We also have a simpler:

Theorem (Dini): Assume $g(0^+)$ exists and that $\exists \delta > 0$ s.t. the Lebesgue integral

$$\int_0^\delta \frac{g(t) - g(0^+)}{t} dt \text{ exists.}$$

Then $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\delta g(t) \frac{\sin(\alpha t)}{t} dt = g(0^+).$

Proof:

$$\int_0^\delta g(t) \frac{\sin(\alpha t)}{t} dt = \int_0^\delta \frac{g(t) - g(0^+)}{t} \sin(\alpha t) dt + g(0^+) \int_0^\delta \frac{\sin t}{t} dt.$$

Then as $\alpha \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\begin{matrix} \downarrow \\ 0 \text{ by RL} \\ \text{Lemma} \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} \downarrow \\ \frac{\pi}{2} g(0^+) \end{matrix}$$

so the Theorem follows.

- Remarks:
- Neither condition implies the other
 - Dini's condition is implied by: If \exists positive M, p such that

$$|g(t) - g(0^+)| < Mt^p \quad \forall t \in (0, \delta]$$

(in particular, this holds with $p=1$ whenever g has a right-hand derivative at 0, i.e.

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \text{ exists.}$$