

Week 7 pt 2

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Thm (Fourier convergence theorem)

Suppose f and f' are piecewise continuous functions on

$-L \leq x \leq L$, and $\exists 2L$ -periodic.

Then with a_0, a_n, b_n defined above let

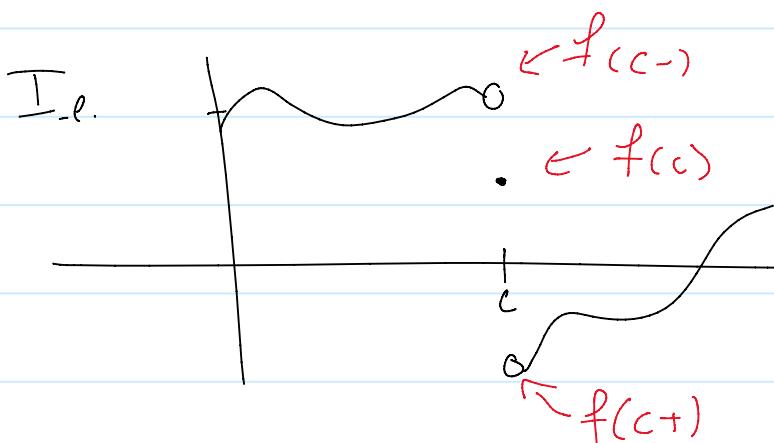
$$S_N(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^N a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) + b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right)$$

Then

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} S_N(x_0) = \begin{cases} f(x_0) & f \text{ is continuous at } x_0 \\ \frac{f(x_0+) + f(x_0-)}{2} & f \text{ is discontinuous at } x_0 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Here } f(c+) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c^+} f(x)$$

$$f(c-) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c^-} f(x).$$



$$\text{at } f(c+)$$

Take away: If f and f' are piecewise continuous, f is $2L$ -periodic function then f has a Fourier

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

For now on f and f' will be piecewise continuous by assumption

Question:

$$\text{Let } f(x) = \begin{cases} -10 & -20 < x < -15 \\ x & -15 < x < -4\pi \\ x^2 & -4\pi < x < -2 \\ e^x & -2 < x < 10 \\ \sin(x) & 10 < x < 20 \end{cases}$$

Let

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{20} \int_{-20}^{20} f(x) dx$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{20} \int_{-20}^{20} f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{20}x\right) dx$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{20} \int_{-20}^{20} f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{20}x\right) dx$$

and

$$S_N(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^N a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{20}x\right) + b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{20}x\right)$$

What is

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} S_N(x) ? \quad \text{for } x \in [-20, 20]$$

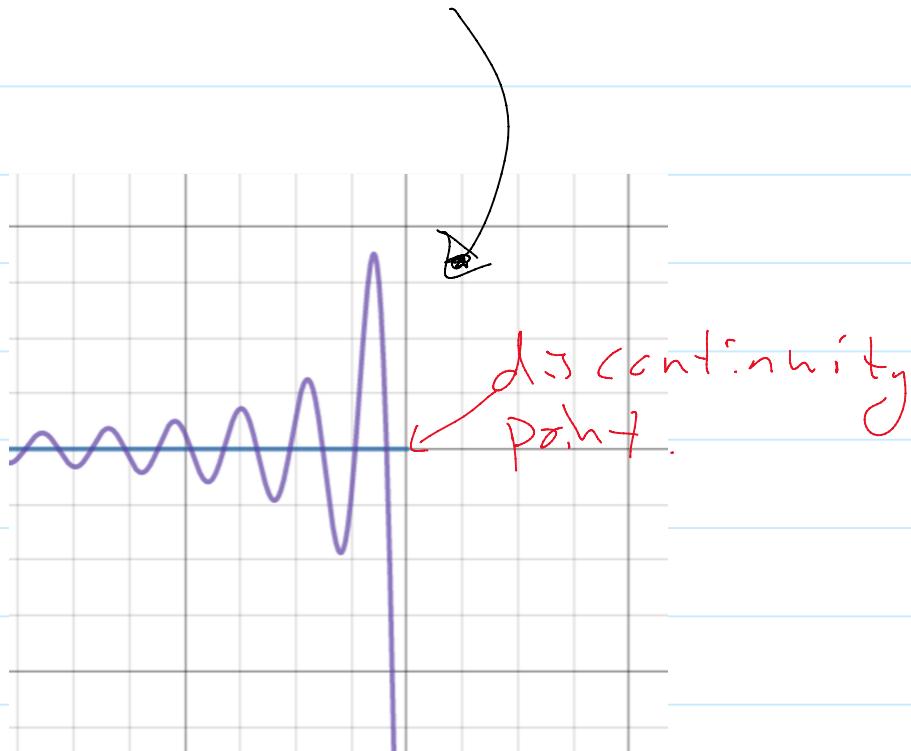
$= f(x)$ when

$$x \notin \{-20, -15, -4\pi, -2, 10, 20\}$$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} S_N(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \sin(20) - 5 & x = -20, 20 \\ -\frac{25}{2} & x = -15 \\ \frac{-4\pi + (4\pi)^2}{2} & x = -4\pi \\ 2 + \frac{1}{2}e^{-2} & x = -2 \\ \frac{1}{2}(\sin(10) + e^{10}) & x = 10 \end{cases}$$

Last time (on Monday) we approximated a piecewise constant

approximated a piecewise constant function. We encountered a strange phenomenon in that case.



The approximation jumps up around a point of discontinuity.

This is typical. It may not always happen, but it happens a lot.

It's known as Gibbs' phenomenon.

Properties of even and odd functions.

f is even if

$$f(x) = f(-x)$$

e.g.: $x^2, x^4, \cos(nx)$, constants

f is odd if

$$f(x) = -f(-x)$$

e.g.: x, x^3, x^{odd} , $\sin(cx)$

Properties:

- 1) The sum, difference, product and quotient of 2 even functions is even.
- 2) The sum and difference of 2 odd functions is odd.
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3) The sum or difference of an even and odd function is neither even or odd (in general). The product or quotient of an even and odd function is odd.

4)

$$\int_{-L}^L f(x) dx = \begin{cases} 2 \int_0^L f(x) dx & f \text{ even} \\ 0 & f \text{ odd.} \end{cases}$$

More properties for
even functions f , a $2L$ -
periodic function..

Note f has a Fourier series

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

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What are the coefficients?

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) dx = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) dx$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx$$

even function

$$b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx = 0$$

odd function

Thus if f is even then

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

a cosine series

For an odd function f , again
 $2L$ -periodic.

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) dx = 0$$

odd functions

$$a_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx = 0$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx$$

Where did we see

$$\frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx \text{ before?}$$

When we solved the heat equation:

$$u_t = \alpha^2 u_{xx}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} u_t = \alpha u_{xx} \\ u(0, t) = u(L, t) = 0 \\ u(x, 0) = f(x) \end{array} \right\}$$

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n e^{-\alpha n^2 \pi^2 t / L^2} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right)$$

where $c_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx$.

Ex $f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x = -2 \\ x & -2 < x < 2 \end{cases}$

make f periodic, $f(x) = f(x+4)$

Note f is an odd function
and so

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right)x$$

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$$= \int_0^2 x \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}x\right) dx$$

$$= \left(\frac{2}{n\pi}\right)^2 \left[\sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}x\right) - \frac{n\pi x}{2} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}x\right) \right]_0^2$$

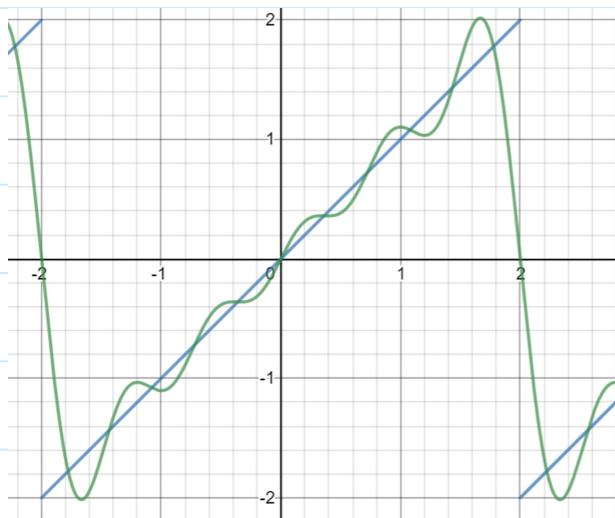
$$= \frac{4}{\pi^2 n^2} \left(-n\pi \cos(n\pi x) - c \right)$$

$$= \frac{4}{\pi n} (-1)^{n+1}$$

Thus

$$f(x) = \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}x\right).$$

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Now lets recall that

$$g(x) = |x| \quad -2 < x < 2$$

and $g(x) = g(x+4)$ has Fourier Series

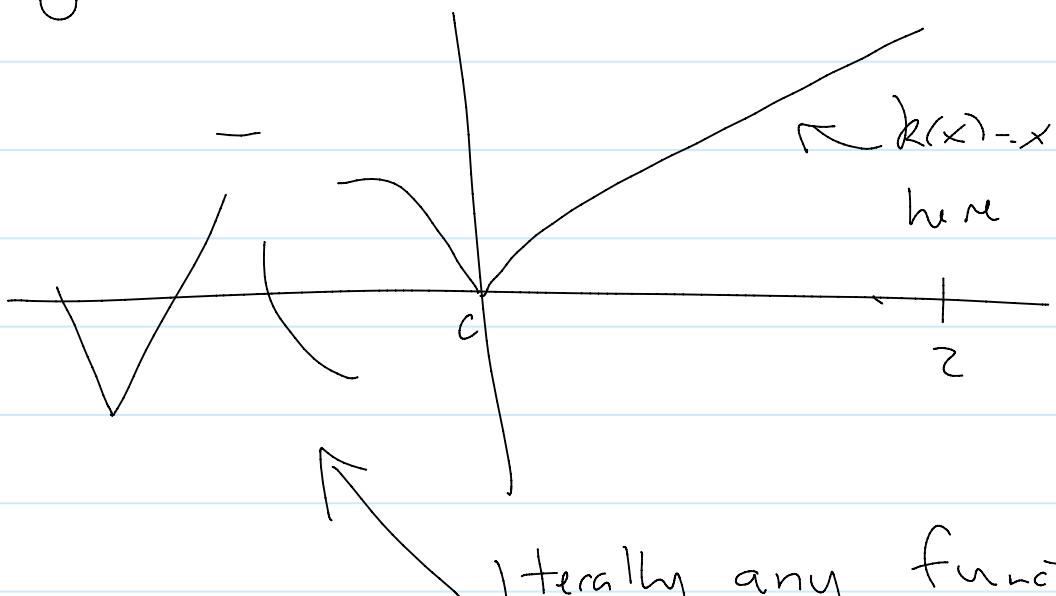
$$g(x) = (-\frac{8}{\pi^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n-1)^2} \cos(\frac{(2n-1)\pi}{2} x))$$

The functions $|x|$ and x are the same for $x \in (0, 2)$

and so on that interval $(0, 2)$ there are $\frac{2}{1}$

$(0, L)$ There are \leq
different ways to write
a Fourier series.

In fact there are infinitely many
ways. Consider $k(x)$



Literally any function
on $(-2, 2)$.

will give a different
Fourier series.

But on $(0, 2)$ the Fourier
series of $k(x)$ will approximate
 x .