

M2AA3 Project 2

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We use the definition of the inner product on V

$$\left\langle \frac{df}{dx}, \sin\left(\frac{m\pi \cdot}{d}\right) \right\rangle = \int_{-d}^d \frac{df}{dx} \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{d}\right) dx$$

We integrate by parts, setting $u' = \frac{df}{dx}$ and $v = \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{d}\right)$ to obtain

$$\left[f(x) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{d}\right) \right]_{-d}^d - \int_{-d}^d \frac{m\pi}{d} f(x) \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{d}\right) dx$$

which is valid for $m \neq 0$

The left limit evaluates to zero since the inner terms of sin are integer multiples of π .

We are left with the integrand on the right which is

$$-\frac{m\pi}{d} \int_{-d}^d f(x) \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{d}\right) dx = -\frac{m\pi}{d} \left\langle f(x), \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{d}\right) \right\rangle$$

for $m = 1 \rightarrow n$ this gives the result $-m\pi a_m$.

The second inner product follows similarly:

$$\left\langle \frac{df}{dx}, \cos\left(\frac{m\pi \cdot}{d}\right) \right\rangle = \int_{-d}^d \frac{df}{dx} \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{d}\right) dx$$

We integrate by parts, setting $u' = \frac{df}{dx}$ and $v = \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{d}\right)$ to obtain

$$\left[f(x) \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{d}\right) \right]_{-d}^d + \int_{-d}^d \frac{m\pi}{d} f(x) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{d}\right) dx$$

The left limit evaluates to zero since $f(d) = f(-d)$, and \cos is even about zero.

We are left with the integrand on the right which is

$$\frac{m\pi}{d} \int_{-d}^d f(x) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{d}\right) dx = \frac{m\pi}{d} \left\langle f(x), \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{d}\right) \right\rangle$$

which is $m\pi b_m$ for $m = 1 \rightarrow n$.

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Let \bar{f}_n^* be the best approximation to $\frac{df}{dx}$ in $\|\cdot\|$ from V_n . Then we have

$$\bar{f}_n^* = \frac{\bar{a}_0}{2} + \sum_{m=1}^n \left[\bar{a}_m \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{d}\right) + \bar{b}_m \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{d}\right) \right]$$

where

$$\bar{a}_m = \frac{1}{d} \left\langle \frac{df}{dx}, \cos\left(\frac{m\pi \cdot}{d}\right) \right\rangle, m = 0 \rightarrow n$$

$$\bar{b}_m = \frac{1}{d} \left\langle \frac{df}{dx}, \sin\left(\frac{m\pi \cdot}{d}\right) \right\rangle, m = 1 \rightarrow n$$

Note that for $m = 1 \rightarrow n$, $\bar{a}_m = \frac{m\pi b_m}{d}$ and $\bar{b}_m = -\frac{m\pi a_m}{d}$.
Moreover,

$$\bar{a}_0 = \frac{1}{d} \left\langle \frac{df}{dx}, 1 \right\rangle = \frac{1}{d} \int_{-d}^d \frac{df}{dx} dx = \frac{1}{d} [f(x)]_{-d}^d = 0$$

Now consider

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{df_n^*}{dx} &= \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{m=1}^n \left[a_m \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{d}\right) + b_m \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{d}\right) \right] \right) \\ &= \sum_{m=1}^n \left[-\frac{m\pi a_m}{d} \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{d}\right) + \frac{m\pi b_m}{d} \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{d}\right) \right] \\ &= \sum_{m=1}^n \left[\bar{b}_m \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{d}\right) + \bar{a}_m \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{d}\right) \right] \\ &= \bar{f}_n^* \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\left\| \frac{df}{dx} - \frac{df_n^*}{dx} \right\| \leq \left\| \frac{df}{dx} - v_n \right\|, \forall v_n \in V_n$$

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We have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\pi^2}{d} \sum_{m=1}^n m^2 [a_m^2 + b_m^2] &= d \sum_{m=1}^n \left[\left(\frac{m\pi b_m}{d} \right)^2 + \left(-\frac{m\pi a_m}{d} \right)^2 \right] \\ &= d \left(\frac{\bar{a}_0^2}{2} + \sum_{m=1}^n [\bar{a}_m^2 + \bar{b}_m^2] \right) = \|\bar{f}_n^*\|^2 \\ &= \left\| \frac{df_n^*}{dx} \right\|^2 = \left\| \frac{df}{dx} \right\|^2 - \left\| \frac{df}{dx} - \frac{df_n^*}{dx} \right\|^2 \leq \left\| \frac{df}{dx} \right\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

By Bessel's inequality.

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Consider

$$\frac{\pi^2}{d} (n+1)^2 (a_{n+1}^2 + b_{n+1}^2) = \left\| \frac{df_{n+1}^*}{dx} \right\|^2 - \left\| \frac{df_n^*}{dx} \right\|^2$$

Since $\left\{ \frac{df_n^*}{dx} \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converges to $\frac{df}{dx}$, we have

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} [m^2 (a_m^2 + b_m^2)] = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} m^2 a_m^2 + \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} m^2 b_m^2 = 0$$

Moreover since the terms are non-negative, we can say each limit tends to zero, and also take square roots to obtain the result.

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First we find the coefficients $\{a_m\}_{m=0}^{\infty}$:

$$a_m = \frac{1}{d} \left\langle f(x), \cos \left(\frac{m\pi \cdot}{d} \right) \right\rangle = \left\langle \frac{1}{2} x^2, \cos(m\pi \cdot) \right\rangle = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{2} x^2 \cos(m\pi x) dx$$

For $m = 0$ we have

$$a_0 = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{2} x^2 dx = 2 \left[\frac{1}{6} x^3 \right]_0^1 = \frac{1}{3}$$

For all other m , we integrate by parts, setting $u' = \cos(m\pi x)$ and $v = \frac{1}{2}x^2$

$$a_m = \left[\frac{1}{2} x^2 \frac{\sin(m\pi x)}{m\pi} \right]_{-1}^1 - \int_{-1}^1 x \frac{\sin(m\pi x)}{m\pi} dx$$

Integrate by parts again, with $u' = \sin(m\pi x)$ and $v = x$

$$\begin{aligned} a_m &= 2 \left[\frac{1}{2} x^2 \frac{\sin(m\pi x)}{m\pi} \right]_0^1 + \left[x \frac{\cos(m\pi x)}{m^2 \pi^2} \right]_{-1}^1 - \int_{-1}^1 \frac{\cos(m\pi x)}{m^2 \pi^2} dx \\ &= \frac{\sin(m\pi)}{m\pi} + 2 \left[x \frac{\cos(m\pi x)}{m^2 \pi^2} \right]_0^1 - \left[\frac{\sin(m\pi x)}{m^3 \pi^3} \right]_{-1}^1 \\ &= \frac{2 \cos(m\pi)}{m^2 \pi^2} + 2 \left[\frac{\sin(m\pi x)}{m^3 \pi^3} \right]_0^1 \\ &= \frac{2(-1)^m}{m^2 \pi^2} + \frac{\sin(m\pi)}{m^3 \pi^3} \\ &= \frac{2(-1)^m}{m^2 \pi^2} \end{aligned}$$

Now for $\{b_m\}_{m=0}^\infty$:

$$b_m = \left\langle \frac{1}{2} x^2, \sin(m\pi \cdot) \right\rangle = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{2} x^2 \sin(m\pi x) dx = 0$$

since the integrand is even about zero.

Therefore we have

$$f_n^*(x) = \frac{1}{6} + \frac{2}{\pi^2} \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{(-1)^m}{m^2} \cos(m\pi x)$$

and

$$\frac{df_n^*}{dx} = -\frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{(-1)^m}{m} \sin(m\pi x)$$

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To find $\|f - f_n^*\|^2$ we must first find the integrals $\int_{-1}^1 f^2 dx$, $\int_{-1}^1 f f_n^* dx$ and $\int_{-1}^1 f_n^{*2} dx$

$$\int_{-1}^1 f^2 dx = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{4} x^4 dx = 2 \left[\frac{1}{20} x^5 \right]_0^1 = \frac{1}{10}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-1}^1 f f_n^* dx &= \int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{12} x^2 + \frac{2}{\pi^2} \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{(-1)^m}{m^2} \frac{1}{2} x^2 \cos(m\pi x) dx \\ &= 2 \left[\frac{1}{36} x^3 \right]_0^1 + \frac{2}{\pi^2} \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{(-1)^m}{m^2} a_m \\ &= \frac{1}{18} + \frac{4}{\pi^4} \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{1}{m^4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-1}^1 f_n^{*2} dx &= \int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{36} dx + \int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{3\pi^2} \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{(-1)^m}{m^2} \cos(m\pi x) dx \\ &\quad + \int_{-1}^1 \frac{2}{\pi^2} \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{(-1)^m}{m^2} \cos(m\pi x) \cdot \frac{2}{\pi^2} \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{(-1)^m}{m^2} \cos(m\pi x) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{18} + \frac{1}{3\pi^2} \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{(-1)^m}{m^2} \cdot 2 \left[\frac{\sin(m\pi x)}{m\pi} \right]_0^1 \\ &\quad + \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{p=1}^n \frac{4(-1)^{m+p}}{m^2 p^2 \pi^4} \int_{-1}^1 \cos(m\pi x) \cos(p\pi x) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{18} + \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{p=1}^n \frac{2(-1)^{m+p}}{m^2 p^2 \pi^4} \int_{-1}^1 \cos((m+p)\pi x) + \cos((m-p)\pi x) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{18} + \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{p=1}^n \frac{4(-1)^{m+p}}{m^2 p^2 \pi^4} \left[\frac{\sin((m+p)\pi x)}{(m+p)\pi} + \frac{\sin((m-p)\pi x)}{(m-p)\pi} \right]_0^1 \\ &= \frac{1}{18} \end{aligned}$$

Now, by definition

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|f - f_n^*\|^2 &= \langle f - f_n^*, f - f_n^* \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 [f - f_n^*]^2 dx = \int_{-1}^1 f^2 - 2ff_n^* + f_n^{*2} dx \\
 &= \frac{1}{10} - 2 \left(\frac{1}{18} + \frac{4}{\pi^4} \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{1}{m^4} \right) + \frac{1}{18} \\
 &= \frac{2}{45} - \frac{8}{\pi^4} \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{1}{m^4}
 \end{aligned}$$

To find $\left\| \frac{df}{dx} - \frac{df_n^*}{dx} \right\|^2$ we must find the integrals $\int_{-1}^1 \left(\frac{df}{dx} \right)^2 dx$, $\int_{-1}^1 \frac{df}{dx} \frac{df_n^*}{dx} dx$ and $\int_{-1}^1 \left(\frac{df_n^*}{dx} \right)^2 dx$

$$\int_{-1}^1 \left(\frac{df}{dx} \right)^2 dx = \int_{-1}^1 x^2 dx = 2 \left[\frac{1}{3} x^3 \right]_0^1 = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_{-1}^1 \frac{df}{dx} \frac{df_n^*}{dx} dx &= \int_{-1}^1 -\frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{(-1)^m}{m^2} x \sin(m\pi x) dx \\
 &= -\frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{(-1)^m}{m^2} \int_{-1}^1 x \sin(m\pi x) dx \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_{-1}^1 \left(\frac{df_n^*}{dx} \right)^2 dx &= \int_{-1}^1 \left(-\frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{(-1)^m}{m} \sin(m\pi x) \right)^2 dx \\
 &= \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{p=1}^n \frac{4(-1)^{m+p}}{mp\pi^2} \int_{-1}^1 \sin(m\pi x) \sin(p\pi x) dx \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left\| \frac{df}{dx} - \frac{df_n^*}{dx} \right\|^2 &= \int_{-1}^1 \left(\frac{df}{dx} \right)^2 dx - 2 \int_{-1}^1 \frac{df}{dx} \frac{df_n^*}{dx} dx + \int_{-1}^1 \left(\frac{df_n^*}{dx} \right)^2 dx \\
 &= \frac{2}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

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To show:

$$\frac{d^2[f - f_n^*]}{dx^2}(x) = \frac{(-1)^n \cos\left(\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)\pi x\right)}{\cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{2}\right)}$$

From our evaluations we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} f - f_n^* &= \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{1}{6} - \frac{2}{\pi^2} \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{(-1)^m}{m^2} \cos(m\pi x) \\ \frac{df}{dx} - \frac{df_n^*}{dx} &= x + \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{(-1)^m}{m} \sin(m\pi x) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{d^2[f - f_n^*]}{dx^2}(x) &= 1 + \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{(-1)^m}{m} \sin(m\pi x) \right) \\ &= 1 + 2 \sum_{m=1}^n (-1)^m \cos(m\pi x) \end{aligned}$$

Now we must evaluate the RHS of the given formula to check it equals our evaluation of the LHS. We will use the following trigonometric identity.

$$\sin(A) \sin(B) = \frac{1}{2}(\cos(A - B) - \cos(A + B))$$

We also use the cosine half-angle formula.

$$\begin{aligned} \cos\left(\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)\pi x\right) &= \cos(n\pi x) \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{2}\right) - \sin(n\pi x) \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{2}\right) \\ &= \cos(n\pi x) \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{2}(\cos\left(\left(n - \frac{1}{2}\right)\pi x\right) - \cos\left(\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)\pi x\right)) \\ \Rightarrow \cos\left(\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)\pi x\right) &= 2 \cos(n\pi x) \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{2}\right) - \cos\left(\left(n - \frac{1}{2}\right)\pi x\right) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{(-1)^n \cos\left(\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)\pi x\right)}{\cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{2}\right)} &= (-1)^n 2 \cos(n\pi x) + \frac{(-1)^{n-1} \cos\left(\left(n - \frac{1}{2}\right)\pi x\right)}{\cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{2}\right)} \end{aligned}$$

We have now have a recursive relation that we can unfold to obtain our result.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(-1)^n \cos\left(\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \pi x\right)}{\cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{2}\right)} &= 2 \sum_{m=1}^n (-1)^m \cos(m\pi x) + \frac{(-1)^0 \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{2}\right)}{\cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{2}\right)} \\ &= 1 + 2 \sum_{m=1}^n (-1)^m \cos(m\pi x) \end{aligned}$$

which holds for $x \in (-1, 1)$.

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In order for $\frac{d^2[f-f_n^*]}{dx^2}(x) = 0$, we need to choose $x \in (-1, 1)$ such that $\cos((n + \frac{1}{2})\pi x) = 0$ and $\cos(\frac{\pi x}{2}) \neq 0$.

Note the second condition implies that that we must have $|x| < 1$.

To satisfy these conditions, we can immediately see that we need to choose

$$x = \frac{y}{2n+1},$$

where $y \in (-2n+1, 2n-1)$ is an odd integer.