# HW #2

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# Hunter and Nachtergaele 7.1

Let  $\phi_n$  be the functions defined in (7.7)

$$\phi_n(x) = c_n (1 + \cos x)^n$$

where  $c_n$  is chosen such that

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} \phi_n(x) \mathrm{d}x = 1$$

for all n.

(a) Prove (7.5).

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \int_{\delta < |x| < \pi} \phi_n(x) \mathrm{d}x = 0$$

for every  $\delta > 0$ .

Let  $\delta > 0$  and for ease, define  $\mathbb{D} = [-\pi, -\delta] \cup [\delta, \pi]$ .

$$\int_{\mathbb{D}} \phi_n(x) dx = \frac{\int_{\mathbb{D}} (1 + \cos x)^n dx}{\int_{\mathbb{T}} (1 + \cos x)^n dx}$$

since

$$c_n = \frac{1}{\int_{\mathbb{T}} (1 + \cos x)^n \mathrm{d}x}$$

Note that

$$\phi_n'(x) = -nc_n(1+\cos x)^{n-1}\sin x$$

which is positive on  $[-\pi,0)$  and negative on  $(0,\pi]$ , and thus

$$\max_{x \in \mathbb{D}} \phi_n(x) = \phi_n(\delta)$$

So,

$$\int_{\mathbb{D}} \phi_n(x) dx = \frac{\int_{\mathbb{D}} (1 + \cos x)^n dx}{\int_{\mathbb{T}} (1 + \cos x)^n dx} \le \frac{2\pi (1 + \cos \delta)^n}{\int_{\mathbb{F}} (1 + \cos x)^n dx}$$

where  $\mathbb{E} = [-\frac{\delta}{2}, \frac{\delta}{2}]$ . Again, since  $\phi_n$  is decreasing on  $(0, \frac{\pi}{2}]$  and  $\phi$  is an even function,

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{E}} \phi_n(x) = \phi_n\left(\frac{\delta}{2}\right)$$

Thus,

$$\int_{\mathbb{D}} \phi_n(x) dx \le \frac{2\pi (1 + \cos \delta)^n}{\int_{\mathbb{E}} (1 + \cos x)^n dx} \le \frac{2\pi}{\delta} \left( \frac{1 + \cos \delta}{1 + \cos \frac{\delta}{2}} \right)^n$$

but

$$\frac{1+\cos\delta}{1+\cos\frac{\delta}{2}}<1$$

since cos is a decreasing function on  $[0, \pi]$ . Thus,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{2\pi}{\delta} \left( \frac{1 + \cos \delta}{1 + \cos \frac{\delta}{2}} \right)^n = 0$$

and by the comparison test,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \int_{\mathbb{D}} \phi_n(x) \mathrm{d}x = 0$$

- (b) Prove that if the set  $\mathcal{P}$  of trigonometric polynomials is dense in the space of periodic continuous functions on  $\mathbb{T}$  with the uniform norm, then  $\mathcal{P}$  is dense in the space of all continuous functions on  $\mathbb{T}$  with the  $L^2$ -norm.
- (c) Is  $\mathcal{P}$  dense in the space of all continuous functions on  $[0, 2\pi]$  with the uniform norm?

# Hunter and Nachtergaele 7.2

Suppose that  $f: \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{C}$  is a continuous function, and

$$S_N = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{n=-N}^{N} \hat{f}_n e^{inx}$$

is the  $N^{th}$  partial sum of its Fourier seriers.

(a) Show that  $S_N = D_N * f$ , where  $D_N$  is the Dirichlet kernel

$$D_N(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\sin\left[\left(N + \frac{1}{2}\right)x\right]}{\sin\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)}.$$

For ease, let  $\omega = e^{ix}$ . Then note

$$\sum_{n=0}^{N} \omega^n = \frac{1 - \omega^{N+1}}{1 - \omega}, \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{n=-N}^{-1} \omega^n = \frac{\omega^{-N} - 1}{1 - \omega}$$

Then

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{n=-N}^{N} e^{inx} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{n=-N}^{N} \omega^n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\omega^{-N} - \omega^{N+1}}{1 - \omega} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\omega^{-N-\frac{1}{2}} - \omega^{N+\frac{1}{2}}}{\omega^{-\frac{1}{2}} - \omega^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\exp\left[ix[N + \frac{1}{2}]\right] - \exp\left[-ix[N + \frac{1}{2}]\right]}{\exp\left[ix[\frac{1}{2}]\right] - \exp\left[-ix[\frac{1}{2}]\right]} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\sin\left[[N + \frac{1}{2}]x\right]}{\sin\left[\frac{x}{2}\right]} = D_N(x)$$

Then note

$$S_N = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{n=-N}^{N} \hat{f}_n e^{inx}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{n=-N}^{N} \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(y) e^{-iny} dy \right] e^{inx}$$

$$= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(y) \left( \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{n=-N}^{N} e^{in(x-y)} \right) dy$$

$$= D_N * f$$

(b) Let  $T_N$  be the mean of the first N+1 partial sums,

$$T_N = \frac{1}{N+1}(S_0 + S_1 + \dots + S_N) = \frac{1}{N+1} \sum_{i=0}^{N} S_i(x).$$

Show that  $T_N = F_N * f$ , where  $F_N$  is the Fejér kernel

$$F_N(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi(N+1)} \left( \frac{\sin\left[(N+1)\frac{x}{2}\right]}{\sin\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)} \right)^2.$$

First note the following identity:

$$\frac{\sin^2\left[(N+1)\frac{x}{2}\right]}{\sin\left[\frac{x}{2}\right]} = \frac{1-\cos\left[(N+1)x\right]}{2\sin\left[\frac{x}{2}\right]} \quad \text{by the power-reducing formulas}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sin\left[\frac{x}{2}\right]} \left(\left[\cos(0x) - \cos(1x)\right] + \left[\cos(1x) - \cos(2x)\right] + \dots$$

$$\dots + \left[\cos((N-1)x) - \cos(Nx)\right] + \left[\cos(Nx) - \cos((N+1)x)\right]\right)$$
using a telescoping series
$$= \frac{1}{2\sin\left[\frac{x}{2}\right]} 2\sin\left[\frac{x}{2}\right] \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \sin\left[\frac{2i+1}{2}x\right]$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \sin\left[\frac{2i+1}{2}x\right]$$

Then note that

$$F_N(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi(N+1)} \left( \frac{\sin\left[(N+1)\frac{x}{2}\right]}{\sin\left[\frac{x}{2}\right]} \right)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi(N+1)\sin\left[\frac{x}{2}\right]} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \sin\left[\frac{2i+1}{2}x\right]$$
$$= \frac{1}{N+1} \sum_{i=0}^{N} \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\sin\left[\left(i+\frac{1}{2}\right)x\right]}{\sin\left[\frac{x}{2}\right]}$$
$$= \frac{1}{N+1} \sum_{i=0}^{N} D_i(x)$$

Lastly,

$$T_N(x) = \frac{1}{N+1} \sum_{i=0}^N S_i(x)$$

$$= \frac{1}{N+1} \sum_{i=0}^N (D_i * f)(x) \quad \text{by part (a)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{N+1} \sum_{i=0}^N \int_{\mathbb{T}} f(y) D_i(x-y) dy$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{T}} f(y) \left[ \frac{1}{N+1} \sum_{i=0}^N D_i(x-y) \right] dy$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{T}} f(y) F_N(x-y) dy$$

$$= (F_N * f)(x)$$

(c) Which of the families  $(D_N)$  and  $(F_N)$  are approximate identities as  $N \to \infty$ ? What can you say about the uniform convergence of the partial sums  $S_N$  and the averaged partial sums  $T_N$  to f?

We know  $(D_N)$  can not be an approximate identity since

$$D_3(\pi) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \frac{\sin\left[\frac{7}{2}\pi\right]}{\sin\left[\frac{\pi}{2}\right]} = -\frac{1}{2\pi} < 0$$

and each function in an approximate identity must be nonnegative on  $[-\pi, \pi]$ . We claim, however, that  $(F_N)$  is an approximate identity. First,

$$F_N(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi(N+1)} \left( \frac{\sin\left[(N+1)\frac{x}{2}\right]}{\sin\left[\frac{x}{2}\right]} \right)^2 \ge \frac{1}{2\pi(N+1)} > 0, \quad \forall N \ge 0, \forall x \in \mathbb{T}$$

Next we show

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} F_N(x) \mathrm{d}x = 1$$

for all  $N \geq 0$ .

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} F_N(x) dx = \frac{1}{N+1} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \sum_{i=0}^{N} D_j(x) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{N+1} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \sum_{j=0}^{N} \left[ \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{n=-j}^{j} e^{inx} \right] dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi(N+1)} \sum_{j=0}^{N} \sum_{n=-j}^{j} \int_{\mathbb{T}} e^{inx} dx \quad \text{since the sums are finite}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi(N+1)} \sum_{j=0}^{N} \left[ 2\pi + \sum_{\substack{n=-j\\n\neq 0}}^{j} \left[ \frac{1}{in} (\cos(nx) + i\sin(nx)) \right]_{-\pi}^{\pi} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi(N+1)} \sum_{j=0}^{N} 2\pi$$

$$= \frac{2\pi(N+1)}{2\pi(N+1)}$$

$$= 1$$

Lastly we show

$$\lim_{N \to \infty} \int_{\mathbb{D}} F_N(x) \mathrm{d}x = 0$$

where  $\mathbb{D} = [-\pi, -\delta] \cup [\delta, \pi]$ . However,

$$\int_{\mathbb{D}} F_N(x) dx = \frac{1}{2\pi(N+1)} \int_{\mathbb{D}} \left( \frac{\sin\left[(N+1)\frac{x}{2}\right]}{\sin\left[\frac{x}{2}\right]} \right)^2 dx$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2\pi(N+1)} \int_{\mathbb{D}} \left( \frac{1}{\sin\left[\frac{\delta}{2}\right]} \right)^2 dx$$

$$= \frac{\pi - \delta}{\pi(N+1)\sin^2\left[\frac{\delta}{2}\right]}$$

since  $\sin\left[\frac{x}{2}\right]$  is a symmetric, increasing function on  $[\delta, \pi]$ . But the sequence

$$\frac{\pi - \delta}{\pi (N+1)\sin^2\left[\frac{\delta}{2}\right]} \to 0$$

as  $N \to \infty$ . Thus, by the comparison test,

$$\lim_{N \to \infty} \int_{\mathbb{D}} F_N(x) \mathrm{d}x = 0$$

This shows  $(F_N)$  is an approximate identity.

# Hunter and Nachtergaele 7.3

Prove that the sets  $\{e_n \mid n \geq 1\}$  defined by

$$e_n(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \sin nx,$$

and  $\{f_n : n \ge 1\}$  defined by

$$f_0(x) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi}}, \quad f_n(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \cos nx \quad \text{for } n \ge 1,$$

are both orthonormal bases of  $L^2([0,\pi])$ .

First we show  $\{e_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  and  $\{f_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  are orthonormal. Suppose  $n \neq m$ . Then

$$\langle e_n, e_m \rangle = \int_0^{\pi} e_n(x) e_m(x) dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin(nx) \sin(mx) dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \frac{1}{2} [\cos(nx - mx) - \cos(nx + mx)] dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \cos((n - m)x) dx - \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \cos((n + m)x) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{\sin((n - m)x)}{n - m} - \frac{\sin((n + m)x)}{n + m} \right]_0^{\pi}$$

$$= 0$$

Also,

$$\langle e_n, e_n \rangle = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin^2(nx) dx$$
$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} 1 - \cos(2nx) dx$$
$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \pi - \frac{1}{2n} \sin(2n\pi) \right]$$
$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \pi$$

Thus  $\{e_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is orthonormal. Let  $n \geq 1$ .

$$\langle f_0, f_n \rangle = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \cos(nx) dx$$
$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\pi} \frac{1}{n} \sin(nx) \Big|_0^{\pi}$$
$$= 0$$

Let  $1 \le n < m$ . Then

$$\langle f_n, f_m \rangle = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \cos(nx) \cos(mx) dx$$
$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \left[ \cos((n-m)x) + \cos((n+m)x) \right] dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \frac{\sin((n-m)x)}{n-m} + \frac{\sin((n+m)x)}{n+m} \right) \Big|_0^{\pi}$$
$$= 0$$

Also,

$$\langle f_0, f_0 \rangle = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} dx = \frac{\pi}{\pi} = 1$$

and for  $n \geq 1$ ,

$$\langle f_n, f_n \rangle = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \cos^2(nx) dx$$
$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} (1 + \cos(2nx)) dx$$
$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \pi + \left( \frac{1}{2} \sin(2nx) \right)_0^{\pi} \right]$$
$$= 1$$

Thue  $\{f_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  is orthonormal. Next we show  $\{f_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  and  $\{e_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  are each bases of  $L^2[0,\pi]$ . Let  $f \in L^2([0,\pi])$ . Then extend f to its odd extension  $f_{\text{odd}} \in L^2([-\pi,\pi])$  by

$$f_{\text{odd}}(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & \text{if } x \in (0, \pi] \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ -f(-x) & \text{if } x \in [-\pi, 0) \end{cases}$$

We know  $\{e_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \cup \{f_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  is an orthonormal basis of  $L^2[-\pi, \pi]$  and thus  $f_{\text{odd}}$  can be written as a Fourier series like so

$$f_{\text{odd}}(x) = \frac{1}{2}f_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n f_n + b_n e_n)$$

But since  $f_{\text{odd}}$  is constructed to be odd,

$$f_{\text{odd}}(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n e_n$$

Thus on  $[0, \pi]$ ,

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} e_n \sin(nx)$$

Thus  $\{e_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a basis of  $L^2[0,\pi]$ . Now extend f to its even extension  $f_{\text{even}} \in L^2[-\pi,\pi]$  be

$$f_{\text{even}}(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & \text{if } x \in [0, \pi] \\ f(-x) & \text{if } x \in [-\pi, 0) \end{cases}$$

Again, we know  $\{e_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \cup \{f_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  is an orthonormal basis of  $L^2[-\pi, \pi]$  and thus  $f_{\text{even}}$  can be written as a Fourier series like so

$$f_{\text{even}}(x) = \frac{1}{2}f_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n f_n + b_n e_n)$$

But since  $f_{\text{even}}$  is constructed to be even,

$$f_{\text{even}}(x) = \frac{1}{2}f_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n f_n$$

Thus  $\{f_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  is a basis of  $L^2[0,\pi]$ .

# Hunter and Nachtergaele 7.4

Let  $T, S \in L^2(\mathbb{T})$  be the triangular and square wave, respectively, defined by

$$T(x) = |x|,$$
 if  $|x| \le \pi$ ,  $S(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } 0 < x < \pi \\ -1 & \text{if } -\pi < x < 0 \end{cases}$ 

(a) Compute the Fourier series of T and S.

Since T is an even function, we can represent T with a cosine series

$$T(x) = \frac{1}{2}\hat{T}_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \hat{T}_n \cos(nx)$$

where

$$\hat{T}_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\mathbb{T}} T(x) dx$$
 and 
$$\hat{T}_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\mathbb{T}} T(x) \cos(nx) dx, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

Because cos is even and T is even,  $T \sin is$  even, and so

$$\hat{T}_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\mathbb{T}} T(x) dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{\pi^2}{2} = \pi$$

and for n = 1, 2, ...,

$$\hat{T}_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x \cos(nx) \mathrm{d}x$$

Utilizing integration by parts, we find

$$\hat{T}_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x \cos(nx) dx$$
$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ \left( \frac{x}{n} \sin(nx) \right) \Big|_0^{\pi} - \frac{1}{n} \int_0^{\pi} \sin(nx) dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{n^2} \cos(nx) \right]_0^{\pi}$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ \frac{(-1)^n - 1}{n^2} \right]$$

$$= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ -\frac{4}{\pi n^2} & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

Thus,

$$T(x) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{(2n-1)^2} \cos((2n-1)x) \right]$$

Since S is an odd function, we can represent S with a sin series

$$S(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \hat{S}_n \sin(nx)$$

where

$$\hat{S}_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\mathbb{T}} S(x) \sin(nx) dx, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

Because  $\sin$  is odd and S is odd,  $\sin S$  is even, and thus

$$\hat{S}_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\mathbb{T}} S(x) \sin(nx) dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin(nx) dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ -\frac{1}{n} \cos(nx) \right]_0^{\pi}$$

$$= -\frac{2}{\pi n} ((-1)^n - 1)$$

$$= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ \frac{4}{\pi n} & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

Thus,

$$S(x) = \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{(2n-1)} \sin((2n-1)x) \right]$$

**(b)** Show that  $T \in H^1(\mathbb{T})$  and T' = S.

First we turn T(x) into a a Fourier series with  $\{e^{inx}\}_{n\in\mathbb{Z}}$  as the basis using

$$\cos x = \frac{1}{2} \left[ e^{ix} + e^{-ix} \right]$$

Thus,

$$T(x) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{(2n-1)^2} \cos((2n-1)x) \right]$$
$$= \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{\exp[i(2n-1)x]}{(2n-1)^2}$$
$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[ \frac{\pi^2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} - \frac{4}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{\exp[i(2n-1)x]}{(2n-1)^2} \right]$$

To show  $T \in H^1(\mathbb{T})$ , we show

$$\sum_{n\in\mathbb{Z}} n^2 |\hat{T}_n|^2 < \infty$$

but this is true because

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} n^2 |\hat{T}_n|^2 = \frac{8}{\pi} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{(2n-1)^2}{(2n-1)^4} < \infty$$

by the comparison test. Thus  $T \in H^1(\mathbb{T})$ .

Next note that S(x) can be turned into a Fourier series with  $\{e^{inx}\}_{n\in\mathbb{Z}}$  as a basis by using the following:

$$\sin x = \frac{1}{2i} \left[ e^{ix} - e^{-ix} \right]$$

Thus,

$$S(x) = \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{(2n-1)} \sin((2n-1)x) \right]$$
$$= -\frac{2i}{\pi} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{\exp[i(2n-1)x]}{2n-1}$$

We can explicitly calculate  $in\hat{T}_n$  for each n:

$$T' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[ \frac{\pi^2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} (0i) - \frac{4}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} ((2n-1)i) \frac{\exp[i(2n-1)x]}{(2n-1)^2} \right] = -\frac{2i}{\pi} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{\exp[i(2n-1)x]}{2n-1} = S$$

(c) Show that  $S \notin H^1(\mathbb{T})$ .

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but this is true because

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} n^2 |\hat{S}_n|^2 = \frac{4}{\pi^2} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{(2n-1)^2}{(2n-1)^2} = \infty$$

by the  $n^{\mathrm{th}}$  term test. Thus  $S \not\in H^1(\mathbb{T})$ .

# Hunter and Nachtergaele 7.5

Consider  $f: \mathbb{T}^d \to \mathbb{C}$  defined by

$$f(x) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^d} a_n e^{in \cdot x},$$

where  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d)$ ,  $n = (n_1, n_2, \dots, n_d)$ , and  $n \cdot x = n_1 x_1 + n_2 x_2 + \dots + n_d x_d$ . Prove that if

$$\sum_{n\in\mathbb{Z}^d} |n|^{2k} |a_n|^2 < \infty$$

for some  $k > \frac{d}{2}$ , then f is continuous.

Let  $f \in H^k(\mathbb{T}^d)$  with  $k > \frac{1}{2}$ . Define the partial sums  $S_N$  of the Fourier series of f by

$$S_N(x) = \sum_{([-N,N] \cap \mathbb{Z})^d} \hat{f}_n e^{in \cdot x}$$

and define the norm of the  $k^{\text{th}}$  weak derivative of f as

$$||f^k||^2 = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^d} |n|^{2k} |\hat{f}_n|^2$$

We will show the sequence  $S_N \to f$  uniformly by showing  $(S_N)_N$  is a Cauchy sequence and since  $C(\mathbb{T}^d)$  is complete with respect to the supremum norm, this implies the limit of  $(S_N)_N$  is contained in  $C(\mathbb{T}^d)$ .

$$||S_N - S_M||_{\infty} = \left\| \sum_{n \in ((\pm N, \pm M] \cap \mathbb{Z})^d} \hat{f}_n e^{in \cdot x} \right\|_{\infty}$$

$$\leq \sum_{n \in ((\pm N, \pm M] \cap \mathbb{Z})^d} |\hat{f}_n||e^{in \cdot x}|$$
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$$= \sum_{n \in ((\pm N, \pm M] \cap \mathbb{Z})^d} |\hat{f}_n|$$

$$= \sum_{n \in ((\pm N, \pm M) \cap \mathbb{Z})^d} |n|^k |\hat{f}_n| \frac{1}{|n|^k}$$

$$\leq \sqrt{\sum_{n \in ((\pm N, \pm M] \cap \mathbb{Z})^d} |n|^{2k} |\hat{f}_n^2|} \cdot \sqrt{\sum_{n \in ((\pm N, \pm M] \cap \mathbb{Z})^d} \frac{1}{|n|^{2k}}}$$

by the Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality

$$\leq \|f^{(k)}\| \sqrt{\sum_{n \in ((\pm N, \pm M] \cap \mathbb{Z})^d} \frac{1}{|n|^{2k}}}$$

since the Fourier transform is an isomorphism and thus preserves norm

$$\leq \|f^{(k)}\|_{\infty} \sqrt{|\mathbb{S}^{d-1}| \int_{N}^{\infty} \frac{r^{d-1}}{r^{2k}} dr}$$

where  $|\mathbb{S}^{d-1}|$  is the area of the unit sphere in d dimensions

$$= \|f^{(k)}\|_{\infty} \sqrt{|\mathbb{S}^{d-1}|} \sqrt{\frac{r^{d-2k}}{d-2k}} \Big|_{N}^{\infty}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \infty & \text{if } \frac{d}{2} \ge k \\ \|f^{(k)}\|_{\infty} \sqrt{|\mathbb{S}^{d-1}|} \left( (2k-d)N^{2k-d} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} & \text{if } \frac{d}{2} < k \end{cases}$$

Supposing  $\frac{d}{2} < k$ ,

$$||S_N - S_M||_{\infty} \le \frac{||f^{(k)}||_{\infty} \sqrt{|\mathbb{S}^{d-1}|}}{\sqrt{(2k-d)N^{2k-d}}}$$

which goes to zero as  $N \to \infty$ . Thus  $(S_N)_N$  is a Cauchy sequence and thus converges to a limit in  $C(\mathbb{T}^d)$ . But  $S_N$  are the partial sums of the Fourier series of f, and thus  $S_N \to f$ . Thus  $f \in C(\mathbb{T}^d)$ , i.e. f is continuous.

# Hunter and Nachtergaele 7.6

Suppose that  $f \in H^1([a,b])$  and f(a) = f(b) = 0. Prove the Poincaré inequality

$$\int_{a}^{b} |f(x)|^{2} dx \le \frac{(b-a)^{2}}{\pi^{2}} \int_{a}^{b} |f'(x)|^{2} dx.$$

## Hunter and Nachtergaele 7.7

Solve the following initial-boundary value problem for the heat equation,

$$u_t = u_{xx},$$
  
 $u(0,t) = 0, \quad u(L,t) = 0 \quad \text{for } t > 0$   
 $u(x,0) = f(x) \quad \text{for } 0 \le x \le L$ 

Suppose u(x,t) = F(x)G(t) is a solution. Then

$$u_{t} = u_{xx}$$

$$\implies F(x)G'(t) = F''(x)G(t)$$

$$\implies \frac{F''(x)}{F(x)} = \frac{G'(t)}{G(t)}$$

Since the left hand side is a function of x and the right hand side is a function of t, they can only be equal if they are both constant, i.e.

$$\frac{F''(x)}{F(x)} = C = \frac{G'(t)}{G(t)}$$

for some  $C \in \mathbb{R}$ . Thus,

$$G'(t) - CG(t) = 0, \quad \text{and} \tag{1}$$

$$F''(x) - CF(x) = 0 \tag{2}$$

The solutions of (1) are

$$G(t) = c_1 e^{Ct}$$

Let  $\lambda = \sqrt{C}$ . If  $C \neq 0$ , the solutions of (2) are

$$F(x) = c_1 e^{\lambda x} + c_2 e^{-\lambda x}$$

The initial condition

$$u(0,t) = 0 \implies F(0)G(t) = 0 \implies F(0) = 0$$

provided u is not the trivial solution. Similarly,

$$F(L) = 0$$

If C > 0,

$$F(0) = 0 \implies 0 = c_1 + c_2 \implies F(x) = c_1(e^{\lambda x} - e^{-\lambda x})$$

Also,

$$F(L) = 0 \implies 0 = c_1(e^{\lambda L} - e^{-\lambda L}) \implies c_1 = 0$$

Thus u is the trivial solution. If C=0, then either F''=0 or  $F\equiv 0$ , but regardless, if F''=0, the initial conditions imply that  $F\equiv 0$ . So let C<0 and define  $\lambda=\sqrt{-C}$ . Then

$$F(x) = c_1 \sin(\lambda x) + c_2 \cos(\lambda x)$$

Then

$$F(0) = 0 \implies 0 = c_2 \implies F(x) = c_1 \sin(\lambda x)$$

Also,

$$F(L) = 0 \implies 0 = c_1 \sin(\lambda L) \implies \lambda L = \pi n$$

for integer values n. Thus  $\lambda = \frac{n\pi}{L}$  for  $n = \pm 1, \pm 2, \ldots$  Note  $n \neq 0$  since that would imply  $\lambda^2 = 0 = C$ . Thus,

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

The initial condition u(0,x) = f(x) implies

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

This is a Fourier series, and thus the coefficients  $c_n$  are given by

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

Thus the full solution is

$$u(t,x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{2}{L} \int_{0}^{L} \left[ f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) \right] \mathrm{d}x \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{n^{2}\pi^{2}}{L^{2}}t\right) \cdot \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) \right)$$