

Question 2

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2. Consider $C[-\pi, \pi]$, vector space of continuous functions defined on interval $[-\pi, \pi]$. Define inner product

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x)g(x)dx$$

- (a) Show that the set

$$F_n = \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \sin(x), \cos(x), \sin(2x), \cos(2x), \dots, \sin(nx), \cos(nx) \right\}$$

where $n \in \mathbb{N}$ is an orthonormal set.

f_n is an orthonormal set

① $\langle f_i, f_j \rangle = 0$ for $i \neq j$

$$\left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \sin(x) \right\rangle = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\sin(x)) dx = \frac{1}{\pi\sqrt{2}} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin(x) dx = \frac{1}{\pi\sqrt{2}} \left[-\cos(x) \right]_{-\pi}^{\pi} = 0$$

② $\langle f_i, f_j \rangle = 1$ for $i = j$

$$\langle \sin(x), \sin(x) \rangle = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin^2(x) dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1 - \cos(2x)}{2} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (1 - \cos(2x)) dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left(\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} 1 dx - \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos(2x) dx \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left(2\pi - \frac{1}{2} \sin(2x) \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} \right) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left(2\pi - \frac{1}{2} (\sin(2\pi) - \sin(-2\pi)) \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi} (2\pi - \frac{1}{2}(0 - 0)) = \frac{1}{2\pi} (2\pi) = 1$$

- (b) Determine the orthogonal projection of function $f(x) = x$ onto the space spanned by F_n . This is usually called the n -th order Fourier approximation of function $f(x)$. If we represent this projection as

$$a_0 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + b_1 \sin(x) + c_1 \cos(x) + \dots + b_n \sin(nx) + c_n \cos(nx)$$

then $a_0, b_1, c_1, \dots, b_n, c_n$ are called the Fourier coefficients of function $f(x)$.

The projection of $f(x)=x$ onto F_n is

$$\text{proj}_{F_n} f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n \text{proj}_{\varphi_i} f(x) \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n \langle f(x), \varphi_i \rangle \varphi_i$$

$$\text{for } \varphi_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad \langle x, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \rangle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left(\frac{1}{2} x^2 \right) \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi} \left(\frac{\pi^2}{2} - \frac{\pi^2}{2} \right) = 0$$

$$\text{for } i=2 \quad \langle x, \sin(x) \rangle \sin(x) = \frac{\sin(x)}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x \sin(x) dx = \frac{2\pi \sin(x)}{\pi}$$

$$= \frac{2}{1} \sin(x)$$

$$\text{for } i=3 \quad \langle x, \cos(x) \rangle \cos(x) = \frac{\cos(x)}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x \cos(x) dx = \boxed{0}$$

$$\text{for } i=4 \quad \langle x, \sin(2x) \rangle \sin(2x) = \frac{\sin(2x)}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x \sin(2x) dx = -\frac{2}{2} \sin(2x)$$

$$\text{for } i=5 \quad \langle x, \cos(2x) \rangle \cos(2x) = 0$$

$$\text{for } i=6 \quad \langle x, \sin(3x) \rangle \sin(3x) = \frac{2}{3} \sin(3x)$$

$$\text{for } i=8 \quad \langle x, \sin(4x) \rangle \sin(4x) = -\frac{2}{4} \sin(4x)$$

$$\text{for } i=10 \quad \langle x, \sin(5x) \rangle \sin(5x) = \frac{2}{5} \sin(5x)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{2 \sin(ix)}{c_i}$$

$$\text{where } c \in \{1, -2, 3, -4, \dots, n\}$$