

0.1 2nd order ODE

Example. Solve

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \lambda y.$$

The general solution is:

$$y(x) = c_1 e^{\sqrt{\lambda}x} + c_2 e^{-\sqrt{\lambda}x}.$$

Or we can write it as:

$$y(x) = c_1 \cosh(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + c_2 \sinh(\sqrt{\lambda}x).$$

Note. Hyperbolic functions have easy derivatives and nice for initial conditions.

Definition: linear independence

The functions $y_1(x), \dots, y_n(x)$ are **linearly independent** if

$$c_1 y_1(x) + c_2 y_2(x) + \dots + c_n y_n(x) = 0 \Rightarrow c_1 = c_2 = \dots = c_n = 0.$$

0.2 The complex plane

The *modulus* of a complex number $a + bi$ is

$$|z| = \sqrt{z \cdot \bar{z}} = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}.$$

0.3 Euler's formula

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} e^x &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} \\ e^{i\theta} &= 1 + i\theta + \frac{(i\theta)^2}{2!} + \dots \\ &= 1 + i\theta + \frac{-\theta^2}{2!} + \frac{-i\theta^3}{3!} + \frac{\theta^4}{4!} + \dots \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{\theta^2}{2!} + \frac{\theta^4}{4!} - \dots\right) + i\left(\theta - \frac{\theta^3}{3!} + \dots\right) \\ &= \cos(\theta) + i \sin(\theta) \end{aligned}$$

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Note. $|e^{i\theta}| = 1$ so it's on the unit circle. Moreover,

$$z = a + ib = \rho \cos(\theta) + i\rho \sin(\theta) = \rho e^{i\theta}.$$

where $\rho = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ and $\tan(\theta) = \frac{b}{a}$.

1 Fourier Series and Orthogonal Vectors (ch.1 + 2)

Definition: L2 inner product

Let $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ be continuous functions defined on $[a, b]$, we defined the **L^2 -inner product** on $[a, b]$ to be

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx.$$

with the corresponding L^2 norm,

$$\|f\|_2 = \sqrt{\langle f, f \rangle} = \left(\int_a^b f^2(x)dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Definition: Fourier basis

Suppose $-\pi \leq z \leq \pi$, the **Fourier basis** is defined as

$$\{1, \cos(z), \sin(z), \cos(2z), \sin(2z), \dots\}.$$

This is an infinite, mutually orthogonal basis of the vector space of continuous functions on $[-\pi, \pi]$.

Definition: projection

Suppose $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2 \dots\}$ are an orthogonal basis, then $v_i = \frac{\langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{e}_i \rangle}{\|\mathbf{e}_i\|}$.

Definition: Fourier series

Suppose $f(z)$ is defined on $[-\pi, \pi]$ and is in "the proper space of functions"

(see Ch.5 notes) then $f(z)$ has a Fourier series is of the form

$$f(z) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos(nz) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin(nz).$$

where

$$b_n = \frac{\langle z, \sin(nz) \rangle}{\|\sin(nz)\|_2^2} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(z) \sin(nz) dz \text{ for}$$

$n=1,2,\dots$

$$a_n = \frac{\langle z, \cos(nz) \rangle}{\|\cos(nz)\|_2^2} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(z) \cos(nz) dz \text{ for}$$

$n=1,2,\dots$

$$a_0 = \frac{\langle f(z), 1 \rangle}{\|1\|_2^2} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(z) dz.$$