

Proof: Fourier Series

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

To find a_8 ,

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) \cos(8z) &= a_0 \cos(8z) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos(nz) \cos(8z) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin(nz) \cos(8z) \\ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(z) \cos(8z) dz &= a_0 \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos(8z) dz + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos(nz) \cos(8z) dz + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin(nz) \cos(8z) dz \\ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(z) \cos(8z) dz &= 0 + a_8 \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos^2(8z) dz + 0 \end{aligned}$$

So we can solve for a_8 . □

0.1 Taylor vs Fourier

Taylor:

- 1) T.S. $[f](z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (z-a)^n$ where $c_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}$
- 2) $f(z)$ is analytic at the point z iff $f(z) = \text{T.S. } [f](z)$
- 3) RoC might be small
- 4) need to be differentiable
- 5) the basis is not orthogonal

Fourier:

- 1) F.S. $[f](z) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos(nz) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin(nz), -\pi \leq z \leq \pi$.
- 2) If it converges for $z \in [-\pi, \pi]$ then it converges for all $z \in (-\infty, \infty)$.
- 3) coefficients are found by integration which is a much weaker assumption.
- 4) basis is orthogonal.
- 5) $\tilde{f}_M(z)$ is the truncated Fourier series after M terms.

Example. $f(z) = |z|, \pi \leq z \leq \pi$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(z) \sin(nz) dz = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |z| \sin(nz) dz = \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot 0 = 0.$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |z| dz = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[\int_{-\pi}^0 -z dz + \int_0^{\pi} z dz \right] = \frac{\pi^2}{2\pi} = \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

Using integration by parts, we can show for even and odd values of $n \geq 1$ that

$$a_n = a_{2m} = 0 \text{ and } a_n = a_{2m-1} = -\frac{4}{\pi(2m-1)^2}.$$

$$\text{F.S.}[f](z) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2m-1)^2} \cos[(2m-1)z] = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{4}{\pi} \cos(z) - \frac{4}{9\pi} \cos(3z) - \dots$$

Convergence:

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{\pi}{2} \right| + \frac{4}{9\pi} |\cos(3z)| + \dots &\leq \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{4}{\pi} + \frac{4}{9\pi} + \dots \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2m-1)^2} \end{aligned}$$

So the series is absolutely convergent.

We can use the integral test to bound the error term.

$$\begin{aligned} |\text{F.S.}[f](z) - \tilde{f}_M(z)| &= \left| -\frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{n=M}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n-1)^2} \cos([2n-1]z) \right| \\ &\leq \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{n=M}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n-1)^2} \\ &\leq \frac{4}{\pi} \int_M^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2x-1)^2} dx \end{aligned}$$

1 Chapter 3

Definition: Periodicity

Suppose $g(z)$ is defined for all real numbers, if there exists a number $p > 0$ such that

$$g(z) = g(z + p), \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{R}.$$

then $g(z)$ is said to be a **periodic function**.

Note. 1) If $g(z)$ is periodic then it has many periods $p, 2p, \dots$ we use the shortest period $p > 0$.

2) if $g_1(z)$ and $g_2(z)$ have period p then so does $h(z) = ag_1(z) \pm bg_2(z)$ for any $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$

3) constant function is trivially periodic for any $p > 0$

All Fourier basis vectors are at least $2 - \pi$ -periodic.

What does a Fourier series of a function represent?

Definition: periodic extension

Let $f(z)$ be a function defined on $[-L, L]$ such that $f(-L) = f(L)$. Define the **periodic extension** of $f(z)$ to be the unique periodic function $\tilde{f}(z)$ of period $2L$ such that $\tilde{f}(z) = f(z)$, for $-L \leq z \leq L$.