

Problem 2.1. This exercise is about the formulas (28) and (29) in the definition of trigonometric polynomials.

- (a) Show that two formulas (28) and (29) are equivalent ways to define the space of complex valued trigonometric functions. That is, given a trigonometric polynomial of the form (28), find the numbers a_n, b_n so that the same polynomial can be written in the form (29). Then go the other direction – give a formula for the c_n 's in terms of the a_n 's and b_n 's.
- (b) Using part (a), formulate a condition on the coefficients c_n so that (28) defined a real-valued function. Your condition should be as general as possible.

Proof. We proceed with each part separately.

- (a) We have $e^{in\theta} = \cos(n\theta) + i \sin(n\theta)$, so

$$\begin{aligned} p(\theta) &= \sum_{n=-N}^N c_n e^{in\theta} = \sum_{n=-N}^N c_n \cos(n\theta) + c_n i \sin(n\theta) \\ &= c_0 + \sum_{n=1}^N c_n \cos(n\theta) + c_{-n} \cos(-n\theta) + c_n i \sin(n\theta) + c_{-n} i \sin(-n\theta) \\ &= c_0 + \sum_{n=1}^N (c_n + c_{-n}) \cos(n\theta) + (c_n - c_{-n}) i \sin(n\theta). \end{aligned}$$

Thus $a_0 = c_0$, $a_n = c_n + c_{-n}$, and $b_n = i(c_n - c_{-n})$.

On the other hand, we have $\cos x = \frac{1}{2}(e^{ix} + e^{-ix})$ and $\sin x = \frac{1}{2i}(e^{ix} - e^{-ix})$

$$\begin{aligned} p(\theta) &= a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^N a_n \cos(n\theta) + b_n \sin(n\theta) \\ &= a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{a_n}{2}(e^{in\theta} + e^{-in\theta}) + \frac{b_n}{2i}(e^{in\theta} - e^{-in\theta}) \\ &= a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{a_n - ib_n}{2} e^{in\theta} + \frac{a_n + ib_n}{2} e^{-in\theta} \\ &= a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{a_n - ib_n}{2} e^{in\theta} + \sum_{n=-1}^{-N} \frac{a_{-n} + ib_{-n}}{2} e^{in\theta}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have $c_0 = a_0$, $c_n = \frac{1}{2}(a_n - ib_n)$ for $1 \leq n \leq N$, and $c_n = \frac{1}{2}(a_{-n} + ib_{-n})$ for

$$-N \leq n \leq -1.$$

- (b) From part (a), for $p(\theta)$ to be real, we need a_n and b_n to be real, thus $c_n + c_{-n}$ and $i(c_n - c_{-n})$ must both be real. The first condition implies that $\text{Im}(c_n) = -\text{Im}(c_{-n})$; the second implies that $\text{Re}(c_n) = \text{Re}(c_{-n})$. Thus we need exactly $c_n = \overline{c_{-n}}$ for $0 \leq n \leq N$.

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Problem 2.2. For $F = \mathbb{R}$ or \mathbb{C} , prove that the space $P(S^1; F)$ defined in Section 2.5 is an F -algebra that separates points and vanishes at no point of S^1 . If $F = \mathbb{C}$, also show that $P(S^1; F)$ is self-adjoint.

Proof. The sums of polynomials are clearly polynomials. The products of polynomials are clearly polynomials. The scalar product of polynomials are clearly polynomials. Thus $P(S^1; F)$ is an F -algebra. It also separates points with the element z and vanishes nowhere with the element 1.

Suppose $F = \mathbb{C}$ and $p(z) \in P(S^1; \mathbb{C})$. Note that for $z \in S^1$, we have $1/z = \bar{z}/\|z\| = \bar{z}$. Thus

$$\overline{p(z)} = \overline{\sum_{n=-N}^N c_n z^n} = \sum_{n=-N}^N \overline{c_n z^n} = \sum_{n=-N}^N \overline{c_n} \frac{1}{\overline{z^n}} = \sum_{n=-N}^N \overline{c_{-n}} z^n \in P(S^1; \mathbb{C}).$$

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Problem 2.3. Let $P^+(S^1; \mathbb{C})$ be the space of trigonometric polynomials of the form

$$p(z) = \sum_{n=0}^N c_n z^n, \quad z \in S^1, N \in \mathbb{N}, c_n \in \mathbb{C}.$$

Prove that $P^+(S^1; \mathbb{C})$ is a complex algebra that separates points and vanishes at no point of S^1 , yet $P^+(S^1; \mathbb{C})$ is not dense in $(C(S^1; \mathbb{C}), \|\cdot\|_u)$. Why does this not contradict the (complex) Stone-Weierstrass Theorem?

Proof. The same argument from Exercise 2.2 applies; $P^+(S^1; \mathbb{C})$ is an complex algebra. However, it is not self-adjoint: For all $f(z) = z^n$, $n \geq 0$, we have $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(e^{i\theta}) e^{i\theta} d\theta = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{i(n+1)\theta} d\theta = 0$. Thus for any $p \in P^+(S^1; \mathbb{C})$,

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} p(e^{i\theta}) e^{i\theta} d\theta = \sum_{n=0}^N \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} c_n (e^{i\theta})^n e^{i\theta} d\theta = 0.$$

But if $n = -1$, then $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-i\theta} e^{i\theta} d\theta = 2\pi \neq 0$, so $\bar{z} \notin P^+(S^1; \mathbb{C})$, i.e. it is not self-adjoint. □