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3.3:9

Suppose that $\{\phi_n\}_1^\infty$ is an orthonormal basis for $L^2(a, b)$. Show that for any functions $f, g \in L^2(a, b)$,

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \langle f, \phi_n \rangle \overline{\langle g, \phi_n \rangle}$$

Solution: We know from this chapter that functions $f, g \in L^2(a, b)$ can be written as linear combinations of basis functions, i.e., as (generalized) Fourier series:

$$f = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \langle f, \phi_n \rangle \phi_n, \quad g = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \langle g, \phi_m \rangle \phi_m$$

Use the properties of the inner product (§3.1 in Folland):

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f, g \rangle &= \langle f, \sum \langle g, \phi_m \rangle \phi_m \rangle && \text{(sum representation of } g) \\ &= \overline{\langle \sum \langle g, \phi_m \rangle \phi_m, f \rangle} && \langle f_1, f_2 \rangle = \overline{\langle f_2, f_1 \rangle} \\ &= \sum \overline{\langle g, \phi_m \rangle} \langle \phi_m, f \rangle \\ &= \sum \overline{\langle g, \phi_m \rangle} \langle f, \phi_m \rangle && \text{(sesquilinearity)} \end{aligned}$$

3.3:10a,b,c

Evaluate the following series by applying Parseval's equation to certain of the Fourier expansions in Table 1 of §2.1.

$$\text{a. } \sum_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4} \quad \text{b. } \sum_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n-1)^6} \quad \text{c. } \sum_1^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{(n^2+1)^2}$$

Solution: From the previous exercise, we deduce the following:

Theorem 0.1 (Parts of Theorem 3.4). *Let $\{\phi_n\}_1^\infty$ be an orthonormal set in $L^2(a, b)$. For every $f \in L^2(a, b)$,*

$$\|f\|^2 = \sum_1^{\infty} |\langle f, \phi_n \rangle|^2 \iff f = \sum_1^{\infty} \langle f, \phi_n \rangle \phi_n$$

Let $(a, b) = (-\pi, \pi)$. We find in Table 1 of §2.1 that

$$f(t) = t^2 = \frac{\pi^2}{3} + \sum_1^{\infty} \frac{4(-1)^n}{n^2} \cos(nt)$$

Recall that a basis for $L^2(-\pi, \pi)$ is

$$\{\cos nx\}_{n=0}^{\infty} \cup \{\sin nx\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$$

Writing

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2}a_0 + \sum_1^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx)$$

Parseval's equality takes the form

$$\|f\|^2 = \frac{1}{2}|a_0|^2 + \sum_1^{\infty} (a_n^2 + b_n^2)$$

We identify

$$a_0 = \frac{2\pi^2}{3}, \quad a_n = \frac{4(-1)^n}{n^2}, \quad b_n = 0$$

so

$$\|f\|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2\pi^2}{3} \right)^2 + \sum_1^{\infty} \left(\frac{4(-1)^n}{n^2} \right)^2 = 2\frac{\pi^4}{9} + 16 \sum_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4}$$

Since

$$\|f\|^2 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x)|^2 dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x^4 dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{\pi^5}{5} = 2\frac{\pi^4}{5}$$

Equating

$$2\frac{\pi^4}{5} = 2\frac{\pi^4}{9} + 16 \sum_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4}$$

we get

$$4\frac{\pi^4}{45} = 8 \sum_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4} \iff \frac{\pi^4}{90} = \sum_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4}$$

When $f(\theta) = \theta(\pi - |\theta|)$

$$f(\theta) = \sum_1^{\infty} \frac{8}{\pi(2n-1)^3} \sin(2n-1)\theta$$

so $a_n = 0$ and for even n we have $b_n = 0$. For odd n ,

$$b_n = \frac{8}{\pi n^3} \quad \text{i.e.} \quad b_{2n-1} = \frac{8}{\pi(2n-1)^3}.$$

$$\|f\|^2 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| \frac{8}{\pi(2n-1)^3} \right|^2 = \frac{64}{\pi^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n-1)^6}$$

Now

$$\|f\|^2 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x)|^2 dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x^2(\pi - |x|)^2 dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x^2(\pi - x)^2 dx = \frac{\pi^4}{15}$$

so

$$\frac{\pi^4}{15} = \frac{64}{\pi^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n-1)^6} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{\pi^6}{960} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n-1)^6}$$

For c., we are looking for something with $(n^2 + 1)$ in the denominator. On $L^2(-\pi, \pi)$,

$$f(t) = \sinh t = \sum_1^{\infty} \frac{2 \sinh \pi}{\pi} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} n}{n^2 + 1} \sin nt$$

so for $f(t) = \sinh t$,

$$\|f\|^2 = \sum_1^{\infty} \left| \frac{2 \sinh \pi}{\pi} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} n}{n^2 + 1} \right|^2 = \left(\frac{2 \sinh \pi}{\pi} \right)^2 \sum_1^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{(n^2 + 1)^2}$$

Now

$$\|f\|^2 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sinh^2(t) dt = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left(\frac{1}{2} \cosh(2t) - \frac{1}{2} \right) dt = \frac{\sinh(\pi) \cosh(\pi) - \pi}{\pi}$$

Equating:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sinh(\pi) \cosh(\pi) - \pi}{\pi} &= \left(\frac{2 \sinh \pi}{\pi} \right)^2 \sum_1^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{(n^2 + 1)^2} \\ \pi \frac{\sinh \pi \cosh \pi - \pi}{4 \sinh^2 \pi} &= \sum_1^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{(n^2 + 1)^2} \end{aligned}$$

3.4.3

Let D be the unit disk $\{x, y \in \mathbb{R} : x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}$ and let $f_n(x, y) = (x + iy)^n$. Show that $\{f_n\}_0^{\infty}$ is an orthogonal set in $L^2(D)$ and compute $\|f_n\|$ for all n .

Solution: Write $x + iy = e^{i\theta} r$ with $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$. We know from this chapter that an inner product on D is

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_D f(x, y) \overline{g(x, y)} dx dy = \int_0^1 \int_0^{2\pi} f(r, \theta) \overline{g(r, \theta)} r d\theta dr$$

$$f_n(x, y) = (x + iy)^n = r^n e^{in\theta}, \quad \overline{f_m(x, y)} = (x - iy)^m = r^m e^{-im\theta}$$

$$\langle f_n, f_m \rangle = \int_0^1 \int_0^{2\pi} r^{n+m} e^{i(n-m)\theta} r d\theta dr = \int_0^1 r^{n+m+1} \left(\int_0^{2\pi} e^{i(n-m)\theta} d\theta \right) dr$$

If $n = m$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} e^{i(n-m)\theta} d\theta = \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta = 2\pi$$

and if $n \neq m$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} e^{i(n-m)\theta} d\theta = \frac{1}{i(n-m)} (e^{i(n-m)2\pi} - 1) = \frac{i}{n-m} (1 - e^{i(n-m)2\pi}) = 0$$

using periodicity. Thus we arrive at

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f_n, f_m \rangle &\neq 0, & \text{if } n \neq m \\ \langle f_n, f_m \rangle &= 0, & \text{if } n = m \end{aligned}$$

What is $\|f_n\|^2$?

3.1:1

Cauchy-Schwarz' inequality and norm convergence gives

$$|\langle f_n - f, g \rangle| \leq \|f_n - f\| \|g\| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

The left hand side is

$$|\langle f_n - f, g \rangle| = |\langle f_n, g \rangle - \langle f, g \rangle|$$

So $\|f_n - f\| \rightarrow 0$ implies that $|\langle f_n, g \rangle - \langle f, g \rangle| \rightarrow 0$, and we are done.

3.1:2

Notice that both $|\|f\| - \|g\||$ and $\|f - g\|$ are non-negative.

$$\|f - g\|^2 = \langle f - g, f - g \rangle = \langle f, f \rangle - \langle f, g \rangle - \langle g, f \rangle + \langle g, g \rangle$$

$$\langle f, g \rangle + \langle g, f \rangle = 2\text{Re}\{\langle f, g \rangle\}$$

$$\|f - g\|^2 = \|f\|^2 - 2\text{Re}\{\langle f, g \rangle\} + \|g\|^2$$

$$|\|f\| - \|g\||^2 = \|f\|^2 - 2\|f\|\|g\| + \|g\|^2$$

Cauchy-Schwarz' inequality and complex algebra gives

$$\text{Re}\{\langle f, g \rangle\} \leq |\langle f, g \rangle| \leq \|f\|\|g\|$$

Collecting results:

$$|\|f\| - \|g\||^2 \leq \|f - g\|^2$$

If $\|f_n - f\| \rightarrow 0$ then $|\|f_n\| - \|f\|| \rightarrow 0$.

3.5:4

Find the eigenvalues and normalized eigenfunctions for the problem

$$\begin{aligned}f'' + \lambda f &= 0 \quad \text{on } [0, l] \\f(l) &= 0 \\f'(0) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Solution:

If $\lambda = 0$ then $f(x) = c_0 + c_1x$ but the boundary conditions give $c_0 = c_1 = 0$. Let $\nu^2 = \lambda$ and assume that $\lambda > 0$. The general solution of the differential equation $f'' + \nu^2 f = 0$ is

$$f(x) = a \cos \nu x + b \sin \nu x, \quad \nu^2 = \lambda$$

Use conditions! We have

$$f'(0) = b\nu \implies b = 0$$

and

$$f(l) = a \cos \nu l = 0 \implies \nu l = \frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Take $a = 1$, and let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ since the actual eigenvalues are ν^2 . Thus

$$f(x) = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{l}\left[\frac{1}{2} + n\right]x\right), \quad \lambda = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{l}\left[\frac{1}{2} + n\right]}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Now assume $\lambda < 0$ and let $\lambda = -\mu^2$.

$$f'' - \mu^2 f = 0 \implies f(x) = ae^{\mu x} + be^{-\mu x}$$

Use conditions! We have

$$f'(0) = \mu(a - b) = 0 \implies a = b$$

and

$$f(l) = ae^{\mu l} + be^{-\mu l} = a(e^{\mu l} + e^{-\mu l}) = 0$$

but $\cosh(\mu l) \neq 0$ and hence $a = 0$. So if $\lambda < 0$ then no eigenfunctions exist (except $f = 0$).

EÖ 23

Bestäm samtliga egenvärden och egenfunktioner till Sturm-Liouville-problemet

$$\begin{cases} f'' + \lambda f = 0, & 0 < x < l \\ f(0) = f'(0), & f(l) + 2f'(l) = 0. \end{cases}$$

Solution: If $\lambda = 0$ then $f(x) = c_0 + c_1x$ but the boundary conditions give $c_0 = c_1 = 0$. Let $\nu^2 = \lambda$ and assume that $\lambda > 0$. The general solution of the differential equation $f'' + \nu^2 f = 0$ is

$$f(x) = a \cos \nu x + b \sin \nu x, \quad \nu^2 = \lambda$$

Use conditions! We have $f'(x) = -\nu a \sin \nu x + \nu b \cos \nu x = \nu(-a \sin \nu x + b \cos \nu x)$, so

$$f(0) = f'(0) \implies a = \nu b$$

and

$$f(l) + 2f'(l) = 0 \iff a \cos \nu l + b \sin \nu l + 2\nu(-a \sin \nu l + b \cos \nu l) = 0$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= 3\nu \cos \nu l + \sin \nu l - 2\nu^2 \sin \nu l = \nu \cos \nu l + (1 - 2\nu^2) \sin \nu l \\ &= (1 - 2\nu^2) \cos \nu l \left(\frac{3\nu}{1 - 2\nu^2} + \tan \nu l \right) \end{aligned}$$

Notice that if $\nu^2 = 1/2$ or $\cos \nu l = 0$ the original equation is not fulfilled. Restricting to $\nu > 0$ as before,

$$0 = \frac{3\nu}{1 - 2\nu^2} + \tan \nu l$$

will have solutions $\{\nu_n\}$ for some parameters (like $l = 1$). Conclusion: eigenfunctions $\cos \nu_n x$ and $\sin \nu_n x$, where $\{\nu_n\}$ are solutions to the equation above, exist.

For $\lambda = -\mu^2 < 0$ we get

$$f(x) = \tilde{a}e^{\mu x} + \tilde{b}e^{-\mu x} = a \frac{e^{\mu x} + e^{-\mu x}}{2} + b \frac{e^{\mu x} - e^{-\mu x}}{2} = a \cosh \mu x + b \sinh \mu x$$

and $f'(x) = \mu a \sinh \mu x + \mu b \cosh \mu x$ so

$$f(0) = f'(0) \implies a = \mu b$$

and

$$f(l) + 2f'(l) = 0 \iff a \cosh \mu l + b \sinh \mu l + 2\mu(a \sinh \mu l + b \cosh \mu l) = 0$$

so

$$0 = 3\mu \cosh \mu l + \sinh \mu l + 2\mu^2 \sinh \mu l = (1 + 2\mu^2) \cosh \mu l \left(\frac{3\mu}{1 + 2\mu^2} + \tanh \mu l \right)$$

Observe that $\cosh x > 0$ for all real x . So are there solutions to

$$\tanh(\mu l) + \frac{3\mu}{1 + 2\mu^2} = 0 ?$$

No. Both terms are either positive or negative, simultaneously.

4.2:1

This problem concerns heat flow in a rod on the interval $[0, l]$; it is assumed that heat can enter or leave the rod only at the ends.

Suppose the end $x = 0$ is held at temperature zero while the end $x = l$ is insulated.

(a) Find a series expansion for the temperature $u(x, t)$ given the initial temperature $f(x)$.

(b) What is $u(x, t)$ when $f(x) = 50$ for all x ?

Solution: Solve

$$u_t = ku_{xx}, \quad u(0, t) = 0, \quad u_x(l, t) = 0, \quad u(x, 0) = f(x)$$

Set $u(x, t) = X(x)T(t)$ to obtain

$$\frac{T'}{T} = k\frac{X''}{X}, \quad X(0) = 0, \quad X'(l) = 0$$

So

$$T(t) = T(0)e^{-k\lambda t}$$

and $X'' + \lambda X = 0$ with $X(0) = 0$, thus $\lambda = \nu^2$ and

$$X(x) = a \sin \nu x,$$

and

$$0 = X'(l) = \nu \cos \nu l \implies \nu l = \frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi, \quad n \in \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$

so the conclusion is $u(x, t) = \sum A_n \sin(\nu_n x) e^{-k\nu_n^2 t}$, where ν_n is the sequence above. Notice that if $\lambda = -\mu^2 < 0$ then $X(x) = a \sinh(\mu x)$ but $X'(l) = \mu \cosh \mu l > 0$. At $t = 0$

$$u(x, 0) = f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \sin(\nu_n x)$$

Taking inner products (with proper normalization),

$$\langle f, \sin \nu_m \cdot \rangle = A_m$$

(Here, the dot after ν_m indicates where the x should go. Think about it: We don't write $f(x)$ but only f for the same reason, namely that f is a function and $f(x)$ is a function value at point x .)

The full solution is

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \langle f, \sin \nu_n \cdot \rangle e^{-k\nu_n^2 t} \sin \nu_n x$$

If $f = 50$ then

$$\langle f, \sin \nu_n \cdot \rangle = \frac{2}{l} \int_0^l 50 \sin \nu_n t dt = \frac{100}{l} \frac{1}{\nu_n} = \frac{200}{\pi(2n+1)}$$

so then

$$u(x, t) = \frac{200}{\pi} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n+1} e^{-k\nu_n^2 t} \sin \nu_n x$$

Open questions

Going back to sum computations, why is the following not working? Write

$$t^2 - \frac{\pi^2}{3} = \sum_1^{\infty} \frac{4(-1)^n}{n^2} \cos(nt)$$

so by Parseval's equality

$$\|t^2 - \frac{\pi^2}{3}\|^2 = \sum_1^{\infty} \left| \frac{4(-1)^n}{n^2} \right|^2$$

Now

$$\|t^2 - \frac{\pi^2}{3}\|^2 = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (t^2 - \frac{\pi}{3})^2 dx = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (t^4 - 2t^2 \frac{\pi}{3} + \frac{\pi^2}{9}) dx = \frac{2}{45} \pi^3 (5 - 10\pi + 9\pi^2)$$

and

$$\sum_1^{\infty} \left| \frac{4(-1)^n}{n^2} \right|^2 = 16 \sum_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4}$$

so Parseval's equality says that

$$\sum_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4} = \frac{1}{16} \frac{2}{45} \pi^3 (5 - 10\pi + 9\pi^2) = \frac{1}{360} \pi^3 (5 - 10\pi + 9\pi^2)$$