

# Lecture 31: Midterm Review

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Exam Friday: bring 1 sheet of notes. / Review Prob. on Web.

Extra Office Hours: Today 3-5 pm; Thursday 9-11 am

Understand / Approximating functions:  $f(x)$

$f(x)$  infinitely diff near  $c$   $\rightsquigarrow$  Power/Taylor series

$f(x)$  periodic  $\rightsquigarrow$  Fourier series

Given  $f$ , how do we find its Taylor series?

Directly: 
$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(k)}(c)}{k!} (x-c)^k$$

Compute  $f^{(k)}(c)$ , find pattern

Using known series:  $\frac{1}{1-x}$ ,  $e^x$ ,  $\sin x$ ,  $\ln x$ , ...

Substitution: 
$$e^{x^2} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} (x^2)^k = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} x^{2k}$$

Rewriting:  $\frac{1}{1+x} = \frac{1}{1-(-x)}$

Slight Changes:  $x e^x$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} x^{k+1}$$

Integration / Differentiation

Ex: 8.6 #33

$$f(x) = \frac{2x}{(1-x^2)^2}$$

Taylor series around  $c=0$ .

Notice

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left( \underbrace{\frac{1}{1-x^2}}_{g(x)} \right) = \frac{2x}{(1-x^2)^2} \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = \frac{1}{1-x^2} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^{2k} = 1 + x^2 + x^4 + x^6 + \dots$$

$$\text{So } f(x) = g'(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (2k) x^{2k-1} = 2x + 4x^3 + 6x^5 + \dots$$

$\underbrace{\quad}_{k=1} \rightarrow \text{why?}$

Directly:  $f(0) = 0$

$$f'(0) = 2$$

$$f''(0) = 0$$

$$f'''(0) = 24$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{2(1-x^2)^2 + 8x^2(1-x^2)}{(1-x^2)^4} =$$

$$f''(x) = \frac{24x}{(1-x^2)^3} + \frac{48x^3}{(1-x^2)^4}$$

$$f'''(x) = \frac{24}{(1-x^2)^3} + \frac{288x^2}{(1-x^2)^4} + \frac{384x^4}{(1-x^2)^5}$$

What a mess....

Notes: Radius of convergence of series for  $f$  is

the same as that of  $g$ ; i.e. 1. (Diverges at  $x = \pm 1$ )

Taylor series converges to  $f(x)$  on  $(-1, 1)$  by construction

Error estimates: Suppose  $f$  has Taylor series  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_k(x-c)^k$  which converges at  $x$ .

Q1: For this fixed  $x$ , is  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_k(x-c)^k = f(x)$ ?

Q2: For this fixed  $x$ , how close is  $P_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n b_k(x-c)^k$  to  $f(x)$ ?

Interested in  $R_n(x) = f(x) - P_n(x)$ .

For the 1<sup>st</sup> question, yes  $\iff R_n(x) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

2<sup>nd</sup> question, estimate  $R_n(x)$  for fixed  $n$ .

Taylor's Theorem:  $f$  smooth enough, then

$$R_n(x) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(z)}{(n+1)!} (x-c)^{n+1} \quad \text{for some } z \text{ in between } c \text{ and } x$$

basically, the next term in the Taylor except have  $f^{(n+1)}(z)$  instead of  $f^{(n+1)}(c)$

Estimate  $\cos \frac{1}{2}$  to an accuracy of  $10^{-5}$

Taylor series of  $\cos x$  about 0 is  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k)!} x^{2k} = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2} + \dots$

$$P_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\overset{n/2}{\circlearrowleft}} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k)!} x^{2k}$$

↑ terms through  $x^n$

$$P_2 = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2}$$

$$P_3 = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2}$$

$$P_4 = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^4}{4!}$$

Now

$$|R_n(x)| = \left| \frac{f^{(n+1)}(z)}{(n+1)!} x^{n+1} \right| \leq \frac{|x|^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}$$

↖  $\pm \cos x$  or  $\pm \sin x$

and  $n=6$  and  $x=1/2$  gives

$$|R_7(1/2)| \leq \frac{(1/2)^8}{8!} = 1.5 \times 10^{-6}$$

So

$$P_7(1/2) = \underbrace{1 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{4!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 - \frac{1}{6!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^6}_{\text{★}} = 0.87758246\dots$$

is within  $1.5 \times 10^{-6}$  of  $\cos 1/2$ .

Alternate Method: By HW, we know  $\cos \frac{1}{2} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k)!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2k}$

which is an alternating series so ★

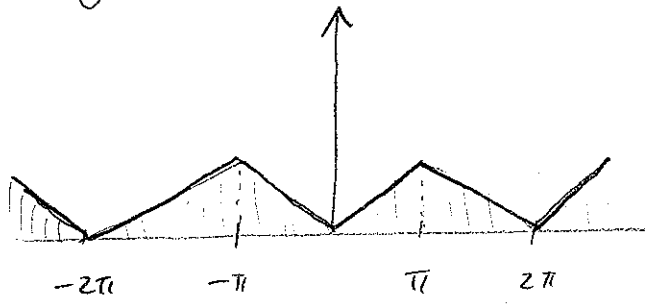
differs from the total sum  $\cos \frac{1}{2}$  by at most the

next term:  $\frac{1}{8!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^8 = 9.7 \times 10^{-8}$ . [Better estimate, but relies on us knowing the ans. to Q1.]

Fourier Series: Consider  $f(x)$  to be  $|x|$  on

$-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$ , repeating periodically elsewhere

$$\frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (a_k \cos kx + b_k \sin kx)$$



As  $f$  is even all  $b_k = 0$ .

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x dx = \frac{1}{\pi} x^2 \Big|_0^{\pi} = \pi$$

↑ since integrand is even

$$a_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos kx dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x \cos kx dx$$
$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x \frac{d}{dx} \frac{\sin kx}{k} dx = \frac{2}{\pi k} \int_0^{\pi} x \frac{d}{dx} \sin kx dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi k} \left( x \sin kx \Big|_0^{\pi} - \int_0^{\pi} \sin kx dx \right) = \frac{2}{\pi k} \left( \frac{\cos kx}{k} \right) \Big|_0^{\pi}$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi k^2} \left( \cos k\pi - \frac{\cos 0}{1} \right) = \begin{cases} \frac{-4}{\pi k^2} & k \text{ odd} \\ 0 & k \text{ even} \end{cases}$$

So, Fourier Series is  $\frac{\pi}{2} + \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \text{ odd}}} \frac{-4}{\pi k^2} \cos kx$

$$= \frac{\pi}{2} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{-4}{\pi(2n+1)^2} \cos(2n+1)x$$

Q1: For which  $x$  does  $\uparrow$  equal  $f(x)$ ?

Ans: By Fourier Conv. Theorem, all of them as  $f$  is continuous.

Q2: What about error? We didn't study this...

Fun Formula: Take  $x = \pi$

$$f(\pi) = \pi = \frac{\pi}{2} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{-4}{\pi(2n+1)^2} \overbrace{\cos(2n+1)\pi}^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\pi^2}{8} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n+1)^2}$$