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Let $\{\phi_i\}$ be an orthonormal system in $(L, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$. Then $c_n = \langle f, \phi_n \rangle$ is the n th Fourier coefficient of f with respect to $\{\phi_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$.

And $\sum_1^{\infty} c_n \phi_n$ is called the Fourier Series of f with respect to $\{\phi_n\}$.

A natural question is: does $f = \sum_1^{\infty} c_n \phi_n$?

Certainly we need some rules since if $\{\phi_n\} = \{\sin(kx)\}_0^{\infty}$ on $[-\pi, \pi]$ then this is orthonormal (after normalization) but if f isn't an odd function then

f will never equal $\sum_1^{\infty} c_n \sin(kx)$.

Note: "Fourier coefficient" is defined for any orthonormal family, not just the trigonometric functions.

eg. if $f \in C([-1, 1])$ with

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 f(x)g(x)w(x)dx$$

where $w(x) = \sqrt{1-x^2}$ then $\{\phi_n(x)\}$ can be the Chebyshev polynomials

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or if $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 f(x)g(x) dx$ ($w(x) = 1$)

then $\{\phi_n\}$ could be the Legendre polynomials

In general, if $w(x) \geq 0$ almost everywhere and cont.

then $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 f(x)g(x)w(x) dx$ is an inner product and we can find an orthonormal family by orthogonalizing $\{x^k\}_0^\infty$.

Q: Given an orthonormal family $\{\phi_n\}_0^\infty$, how can we find the closest fit to f using ϕ_1, ϕ_2, \dots ?

Answer: if $f \in L$ then

$\|f - \sum_1^n a_n \phi_n\|^2$ will be minimized

when $a_n = \langle f, \phi_n \rangle =: c_n$. It will have the minimum value of $\|f\|^2 - \sum_1^n c_n^2$

and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_1^n c_n^2 = \sum_1^\infty c_n^2 \leq \|f\|^2$.

proof: Let $S_n = \sum_1^n a_n \phi_n$

$$\|f - S_n\|^2 = \langle f - \sum_1^n a_n \phi_n, f - \sum_1^n a_n \phi_n \rangle$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \langle f, f \rangle - 2 \sum_1^n a_n c_n + \sum_1^n a_n^2 \\
 &= \|f\|^2 - \sum_1^n c_n^2 + \sum_1^n (a_n - c_n)^2
 \end{aligned}$$

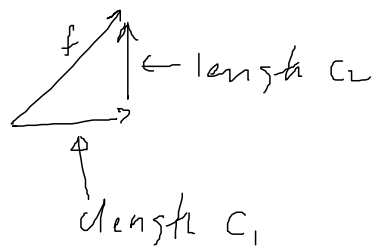
\Rightarrow to minimize $\|f - S_n\|^2$ we want to make $\sum_1^n (a_n - c_n)^2 = 0$ i.e. $a_n = c_n$. Now, when $a_n = c_n$, $\|f - S_n\|^2 = \|f\|^2 - \sum_1^n c_n^2$ as claimed.

$$\Rightarrow 0 \leq \|f\|^2 - \sum_1^n c_n^2 \Rightarrow \sum_1^n c_n^2 \leq \|f\|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_1^{\infty} c_n^2 \text{ exists and } \sum_1^{\infty} c_n^2 \leq \|f\|^2, \text{ done!} //$$

This shows that if we project onto an orthonormal family then the sum of the squares of the lengths of the projections cannot exceed the length (squared) of the original object.

In 2-d:



$$c_1^2 + c_2^2 \leq f^2$$

(equals f^2 if all dimensions represented.)

defn: if for each $f \in L$ we have

$$\sum_1^\infty c_n^2 = \|f\|^2$$

then we say $\{\phi_n\}$ is a closed orthonormal system

(Oh goody! Yet another defn that uses the word closed.)

From before, $\{\phi_n\}^\infty = \{\sin(kx)\}$ is not a closed orthonormal system for odd-valued functions on $[-\pi, \pi]$ w/ inner product $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x)g(x) dx$

because if $f \equiv 1$ then $c_n = 0 \quad \forall k$
and $\|f\|^2 \neq 1 \Rightarrow \sum_1^\infty c_n^2 \neq \|f\|^2$

From before, $\{\phi_n\}$ is complete if given $f \in L$, given $\epsilon > 0$, $\exists a_1 \dots a_n \ni$

$$\|f - \sum_1^n a_n \phi_n\| < \epsilon.$$

How does $\{\phi_n\}$ complete relate to $\{\phi_n\}$

closed? Just because $\sum_1^\infty c_n^2 = \|f\|^2$

does that imply $\sum_1^\infty c_n \phi_n = f$?!?

theorem: $\{\phi_n\}$ an orthonormal family
in $(L, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ is closed $\Leftrightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \phi_n = f$.

proof: see K+F.

theorem: $\{\phi_n\}$ an orthonormal family in
 $(L, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ is complete $\Leftrightarrow \{\phi_n\}$ is closed

proof: see K+F

corr: if $(L, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ is separable then \exists a closed
orthonormal system.

proof: Since $(L, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ is separable, \exists a complete
orthonormal system. From above, this
complete system is closed. //

Application: From your HW, if f is a
complex-valued continuous function on $[0, 2\pi]$
then $\{e^{ikx}\}_{k=-\infty}^{\infty}$ is a complete orthonormal
family. Since the cts fns
on $[0, 2\pi]$ are separable, $\{e^{ikx}\}_{k=-\infty}^{\infty}$ is a
closed family

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{ikx} = f(x) \quad \text{and} \quad \|f\|^2 = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_k|^2$$

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \overline{g(x)} dx$$

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Assume $\{f_n\}$ is a sequence of functions so that $f_n, \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial^2 f_n}{\partial x^2}$ are continuous on $[0, 2\pi]$. And $f_n \rightarrow 0$ in L^2 and $\|f_{nxx}\|^2$ bounded. Prove $\|f_{nx}\|^2 \rightarrow 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{we know } f_n &= \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} C_{nk} e^{ikx} & \|f_n\|^2 &= \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} |C_{nk}|^2 \\ f_{nx} &= \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} ik C_{nk} e^{ikx} & \|f_{nx}\|^2 &= \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} |k|^2 |C_{nk}|^2 \\ f_{nxx} &= \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} -k^2 C_{nk} e^{ikx} & \|f_{nxx}\|^2 &= \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} |k|^4 |C_{nk}|^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \|f_{nx}\|^2 &= \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} |k|^2 |C_{nk}| \cdot |C_{nk}| \\ &\leq \sqrt{\sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} |k|^4 |C_{nk}|^2} \sqrt{\sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} |C_{nk}|^2} \\ &= \|f_{nxx}\|^2 \|f_n\|^2 \\ &\quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ &\quad \text{bounded} \quad 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \|f_{nx}\|^2 \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Using $\{e^{ikx}\}_{-\infty}^{\infty}$ we can define fractional derivatives --- " f has α derivatives" if $f = \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} C_k e^{ikx}$ and $\sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} |k|^{2\alpha} |C_k|^2 < \infty$.

Q: given $\{c_n\} \Rightarrow \sum_1^\infty c_n^2 < \infty$, does there exist $f \in L$ so that

1) $c_n = \langle f, \phi_n \rangle$

2) $\sum_1^\infty c_n^2 = \|f\|^2$?

A: Yes, if $(L, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ is complete!

Proof: Define $f_n = \sum_1^n c_n \phi_n$.

then certainly $\langle f_n, \phi_k \rangle = c_k$ if $k \leq n$.

want $f_n \rightarrow f$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ and for

f to satisfy $\langle f, \phi_k \rangle = c_k$

$$\begin{aligned} \|f_{n+p} - f_n\|^2 &= \|c_{n+1}\phi_{n+1} + c_{n+2}\phi_{n+2} + \dots + c_{n+p}\phi_{n+p}\|^2 \\ &= \sum_{n+1}^{n+p} c_n^2 < \epsilon \text{ if } n \geq N_\epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow \{f_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence and since L is complete, $f_n \rightarrow f \in L$.

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f, \phi_n \rangle &= \langle f_n, \phi_n \rangle + \langle f - f_n, \phi_n \rangle = c_n + \langle f - f_n, \phi_n \rangle \\ &\downarrow n > k \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow |\langle f, \phi_n \rangle - c_n| = |\langle f - f_n, \phi_n \rangle| \leq \|f - f_n\| \|\phi_n\| \rightarrow 0$
 $\therefore \langle f, \phi_n \rangle \rightarrow c_n$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Note: we actually proved something stronger

we proved $\langle f, \phi_k \rangle = c_k$

since the LHS is indep of n .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{finally, } \langle f - \sum_1^n c_k \phi_k, f - \sum_1^n c_k \phi_k \rangle \\ = \langle f, f \rangle - \sum_1^n c_k^2 \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow \sum_1^\infty c_k \phi_k = f$, as desired. //

thm: Let $\{\phi_k\}$ be an orthonormal system in a complete space (L, \langle, \rangle) . Then $\{\phi_k\}$ is complete $\Leftrightarrow L$ contains no elt that is orthogonal to all the ϕ_k .

(Note: already saw this w/ the $\{\sin(kx)\}_1^\infty$ example)

proof:

(\Rightarrow) assume $\{\phi_k\}$ is complete then $\{\phi_k\}$ is closed. Assume $\langle f, \phi_k \rangle = 0 \forall k$. then $c_k = 0 \forall k$

Since $\{\phi_k\}$ is closed, $\|f\|^2 = \sum_1^\infty c_k^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \|f\| = 0$

$\Rightarrow f = 0$.

(\Leftarrow) Assume $\{\phi_k\}$ not complete. Then $\exists g \in L$

$\|g\|^2 > \sum_1^\infty c_k^2$ where $c_k = \langle g, \phi_k \rangle$. Let $f \in L$ be

$\exists f$ s.t. $c_k = \langle f, \phi_k \rangle$, $\|f\|^2 = \sum_1^\infty c_k^2$ (Riesz-Fischer)

And $\langle f, g \rangle = 0$ to all ϕ_k , $\langle f, g \rangle = \langle f, g \rangle = \langle f, g \rangle \Rightarrow \langle f, g \rangle = 0$. done! //