

Fourier Transform – Part 11

Let's prove: $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(kx)}{k} = \frac{(x-\pi)^2}{4} - \frac{\pi^2}{12}$, $x \in [0, 2\pi]$

Note: $\frac{1}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^n \cos(kx) = \frac{1}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{2} \cdot (e^{ikx} + e^{-ikx}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=-n}^n e^{ikx}$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{2} e^{-ix} \sum_{k=0}^{2n} e^{ikx} \quad q = e^{ix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} e^{-ix} \cdot \frac{1 - q^{2n+1}}{1 - q} \quad \text{geometric sum formula } q \neq 1 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{e^{-ix} - e^{i(n+1)x}}{1 - e^{ix}} \cdot \frac{-e^{-\frac{1}{2}ix}}{-e^{-\frac{1}{2}ix}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{e^{i(n+\frac{1}{2})x} - e^{-i(n+\frac{1}{2})x}}{e^{\frac{1}{2}ix} - e^{-\frac{1}{2}ix}} \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{2i}}{\frac{1}{2i}} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\sin((n+\frac{1}{2})x)}{\sin(\frac{1}{2}x)} \end{aligned}$$

for $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{2\pi m \mid m \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

Lemma: $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(kx)}{k} = \frac{\pi - x}{2}$ for $x \in (0, 2\pi)$

and we have uniform convergence on interval $[\varepsilon, 2\pi - \varepsilon]$, $\varepsilon > 0$.

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\sin(kx)}{k} &= \sum_{k=1}^n \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos(kt) dt = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sum_{k=1}^n \cos(kt) dt \\ &= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left(\frac{1}{2} \frac{\sin((n+\frac{1}{2})t)}{\sin(\frac{1}{2}t)} - \frac{1}{2} \right) dt \\ &= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{\sin((n+\frac{1}{2})t)}{2 \sin(\frac{1}{2}t)} dt - \frac{1}{2} (x - \pi) \\ &\quad \underbrace{\phantom{\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{\sin((n+\frac{1}{2})t)}{2 \sin(\frac{1}{2}t)} dt}}_{f_n(x)} \end{aligned}$$

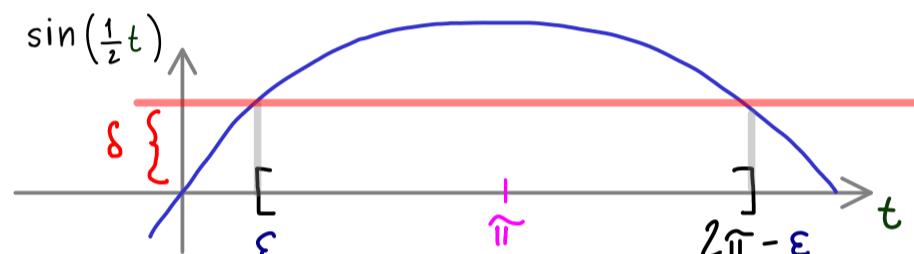
integration by parts: $f_n(x) = \int_{\pi}^x \frac{1}{2 \sin(\frac{1}{2}t)} \cdot \sin((n+\frac{1}{2})t) dt$

$u = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\cos(\frac{1}{2}t)}{(\sin(\frac{1}{2}t))^2}$

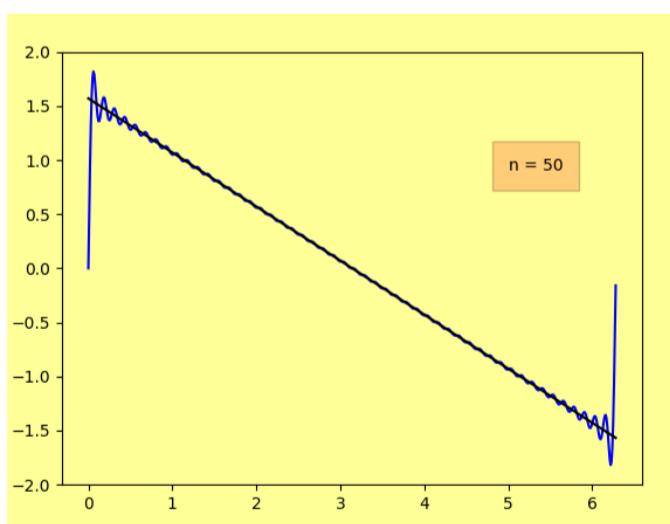
$$v = \frac{1}{n + \frac{1}{2}} \cdot (-1) \cdot \cos((n+\frac{1}{2})t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_n(x) &= \left. \frac{1}{n + \frac{1}{2}} \cdot \frac{(-1) \cos((n+\frac{1}{2})t)}{2 \sin(\frac{1}{2}t)} \right|_{\pi}^x - \int_{\pi}^x \frac{1}{n + \frac{1}{2}} \frac{(-1) \cdot \cos((n+\frac{1}{2})t) \cos(\frac{1}{2}t)}{(-4) \cdot (\sin(\frac{1}{2}t))^2} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{n + \frac{1}{2}} \left(\underbrace{\frac{(-1) \cos((n+\frac{1}{2})x)}{2 \sin(\frac{1}{2}x)}}_{= a(x)} - \frac{1}{4} \int_{\pi}^x \frac{\cos((n+\frac{1}{2})t) \cos(\frac{1}{2}t)}{(\sin(\frac{1}{2}t))^2} dt \right) \end{aligned}$$

For $\epsilon > 0$, choose $x \in [\epsilon, 2\pi - \epsilon]$:



$$\begin{aligned} \|f_n\|_\infty &\leq \frac{1}{n + \frac{1}{2}} \left(\|a\|_\infty + \|b\|_\infty \right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{n + \frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{1}{2\delta} + \frac{1}{4\delta^2} \cdot \pi \right) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0 \end{aligned}$$



Recall $f_n(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\sin(kx)}{k} + \frac{1}{2}(x - \pi)$

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Theorem: $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(kx)}{k^2} = \frac{(x-\pi)^2}{4} - \frac{\pi^2}{12}, \quad x \in [0, 2\pi]$

uniform convergence on $[0, 2\pi]$

Proof: For $\varepsilon > 0$, $x, x_0 \in [\varepsilon, 2\pi - \varepsilon]$: (use Lemma)

$$\int_{x_0}^x \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(kt)}{k} dt = \int_{x_0}^x \frac{\pi - t}{2} dt = -\frac{(\pi - t)^2}{4} \Big|_{x_0}^x = -\frac{(x - \pi)^2}{4} + \underbrace{\frac{(x_0 - \pi)^2}{4}}_{C_0}$$

uniform convergence → //

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_{x_0}^x \frac{\sin(kt)}{k} dt = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} -\frac{\cos(kt)}{k^2} \Big|_{x_0}^x = -\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(kx)}{k^2} + C_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(kx)}{k^2} = \frac{(x - \pi)^2}{4} + C \quad \text{calculate it!}$$

→ still uniform convergence on $[\varepsilon, 2\pi - \varepsilon]$

We know more:

(1) $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(kx)}{k^2}$ uniformly convergent on $[0, 2\pi]$

by Weierstrass M-test since $\left| \frac{\cos(kx)}{k^2} \right| \leq \frac{1}{k^2}$

$\Rightarrow [0, 2\pi] \ni x \mapsto \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(kx)}{k^2}$ continuous function

(2) $[0, 2\pi] \ni x \mapsto \frac{(x - \pi)^2}{4} + C$ continuous function

(3) $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(kx)}{k^2} = \frac{(x - \pi)^2}{4} + C$ for all $x \in (0, 2\pi)$

$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(kx)}{k^2} = \frac{(x - \pi)^2}{4} + C$ uniformly convergent on $[0, 2\pi]$

Find C :

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(kx)}{k^2} dx = \int_0^{2\pi} \left(\frac{(x - \pi)^2}{4} + C \right) dx = \underbrace{\frac{(x - \pi)^3}{12}}_{\frac{\pi^3}{6}} \Big|_0^{2\pi} + 2\pi \cdot C$$

// uniform convergence

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\cos(kx)}{k^2} dx = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad C = -\frac{\pi^2}{12}$$