

Fourier Coefficient

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1 Orthogonality

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \cos nx, \cos mx \rangle &= \pi \delta_{mn} & \langle e^{jn\omega t}, e^{jm\omega t} \rangle &= 2\pi \delta_{m,n} \\ \langle \sin nx, \sin mx \rangle &= \pi \delta_{mn} & \langle \cos nx, \sin mx \rangle &= 0 \quad \forall m, n\end{aligned}$$

2 Real Fourier Series

Any periodic function $f(t)$ can be represented by sum of trigonometric series / Any periodic function $f(t)$ can be broken down into it's frequency components

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx$$

2.1 Extraction of a_k

To extract the Fourier Coefficient a_k , consider the inner product of the function

$$\langle f(t), \cos kx \rangle = \int_0^{2\pi} f(t) \cos kx dx$$

Plug in the Fourier Expansion

$$\begin{aligned}\langle f(t), \cos kx \rangle &= \int_0^{2\pi} \left[\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx \right] \cos kx dx \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \int_0^{2\pi} \cos nx \cos kx dx + b_n \int_0^{2\pi} \sin nx \cos kx dx\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{By } \langle \cos nx, \cos mx \rangle &= \pi \delta_{mn} \quad \langle \cos nx, \sin mx \rangle = 0, \text{ all the terms except } n = k \text{ goes to zero} \\ &= a_k \pi\end{aligned}$$

\therefore

$$a_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \cos kx dx$$

2.2 Extraction of b_k

To extract Fourier Coefficient b_k , consider the inner product of the function

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

Plug in the Fourier Expansion

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f(x), \sin kx \rangle &= \int_0^{2\pi} \left[\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx \right] \sin kx dx \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \int_0^{2\pi} \cos nx \sin kx dx + b_n \int_0^{2\pi} \sin nx \sin kx dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{By } \langle \sin nx, \sin mx \rangle = \pi \delta_{mn} \quad \langle \cos nx, \sin mx \rangle = 0, \text{ all the terms except } n = k \text{ go to zero} \\ = b_k \pi \end{aligned}$$

\therefore

$$b_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \sin kx dx$$

2.3 Extraction of a_0

To extract a_0 , consider the inner product

$$\langle f(x), 1 \rangle = \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) dx$$

Plug in the Fourier Expansion

$$\langle f(x), 1 \rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \underbrace{\int_0^{2\pi} \cos nx dx}_{\text{All zero except } n=0} + b_n \underbrace{\int_0^{2\pi} \sin nx dx}_{\text{All zero}} = a_0 \int_0^{2\pi} dx = 2\pi a_0$$

\therefore

$$a'_0 = 2a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) dx \quad \Rightarrow \text{First terms is } \frac{a'_0}{2}$$

2.4 Summary

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{a'_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx & a_k &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \cos kx dx \\ a'_0 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) dx & b_k &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \sin kx dx \end{aligned}$$

3 Complex Fourier Series

Apply Euler's Formula in Real Fourier Series

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) &= \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \left(\frac{e^{jnx} + e^{-jnx}}{2} \right) + b_n \left(\frac{e^{jnx} - e^{-jnx}}{2j} \right) \\
 &= \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n + \frac{b_n}{j}}{2} e^{jnx} + \frac{a_n - \frac{b_n}{j}}{2} e^{-jnx} = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n - jb_n}{2} e^{jnx} + \frac{a_n + jb_n}{2} e^{-jnx} \\
 &= \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n - jb_n}{2} e^{jnx} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n + jb_n}{2} e^{-jnx} = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n - jb_n}{2} e^{jnx} + \sum_{n=-\infty}^{-1} \frac{a_n + jb_n}{2} e^{jnx} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{jnx} \\
 &\therefore \\
 f(x) &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{jnx}
 \end{aligned}$$

Where

$$c_0 = \frac{a_0}{2} \quad c_n = \frac{a_n - jb_n}{2} \quad c_{-n} = \frac{a_n + jb_n}{2} = \bar{c}_n$$

3.1 Extraction of c_k

To extract c_k , consider inner product

$$\langle f(x), e^{jkx} \rangle = \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) e^{-jkx} dx$$

Plug in the Complex Fourier Series expansion

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle f(x), e^{jkx} \rangle &= \int_0^{2\pi} \left[\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{jnx} \right] e^{-jkx} dx = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n \int_0^{2\pi} e^{jnx} e^{-jkx} dx = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n \int_0^{2\pi} e^{j(n-k)x} dx \\
 &= \sum_{\substack{n=-\infty \\ n \neq k}}^{\infty} c_n \int_0^{2\pi} e^{j(n-k)x} dx + c_k \int_0^{2\pi} dx
 \end{aligned}$$

By orthogonality, $\langle e^{jnx}, e^{jkx} \rangle = 2\pi \delta_{m,n}$

$$\sum_{\substack{n=-\infty \\ n \neq k}}^{\infty} c_n \int_0^{2\pi} e^{j(n-k)x} dx \quad \text{All equal zero}$$

$$\langle f(x), e^{jkx} \rangle = c_k 2\pi$$

\therefore

$$c_k = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) e^{-jkx} dx$$

4 Summary

Any periodic function $f(t)$ can be represented by sum of trigonometric series / Any periodic function $f(t)$ can be broken down into it's frequency components

	Real Fourier Series	Complex Fourier Series
Form	$f(t) = \frac{a'_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^N a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx$	$f(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{jnt}$
Coefficients	$a'_0 = 2a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(t) dt$ $a_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(t) \cos kt dt$ $b_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(t) \sin kt dt$	$c_k = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(t) e^{-jkt} dt$

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