

**PHY 711 Classical Mechanics and
Mathematical Methods**
11-11:50 AM MWF Olin 107

Plan for Lecture 18:

Read Chapter 7 & Appendices A-D

Generalization of the one dimensional wave equation →
various mathematical problems and techniques including:

1. Orthogonal function expansions
2. Fourier series
3. Fourier transforms
4. Fast Fourier transforms

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News



Congratulations to Dr. Mexico
Zabutsky, recent Ph.D. Recipient



Ryan Melvin Awarded Doctoral
Fellowship



Congratulations to Dr. Kaleb
Goets, recent Ph.D. Recipient

Events

Wed. Oct. 12, 2016
Quantum Chemical Studies
of Mercury Methylation
Dr. Jerry M. Parks, Oak Ridge
National Laboratory
4:00pm - Olin 101
Refreshments served
3:30pm - Olin Lounge

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Eigenvalues and eigenfunctions of Sturm-Liouville equations

$$\left(-\frac{d}{dx} \tau(x) \frac{d}{dx} + v(x) \right) f_n(x) = \lambda_n \sigma(x) f_n(x)$$

Properties:

Eigenvalues λ_n are real

Eigenfunctions are orthogonal: $\int_a^b \sigma(x) f_n(x) f_m(x) dx = \delta_{nm} N_n$,

$$\text{where } N_n \equiv \int_a^b \sigma(x) (f_n(x))^2 dx.$$

Special case: $\tau(x) = 1 = \sigma(x)$ $v(x) = 0$

$$-\frac{d^2}{dx^2} f_n(x) = \lambda_n f_n(x) \quad \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq a, \quad \text{with } f_n(0) = f_n(a) = 0$$

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$$f_n(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \quad \lambda_n = \left(\frac{n\pi}{a}\right)^2$$

Fourier series representation of function $h(x)$ in the interval $0 \leq x \leq a$:

$$h(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right)$$

$$A_n = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \int_0^a dx' h(x') \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x'}{a}\right)$$

*Note that if $h(x)$ does not vanish at $x=0$ and $x=a$, the more general

$$\text{expression applies: } h(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right)$$

(with some restrictions).

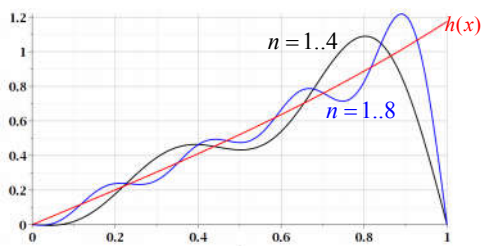
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Example

$$h(x) = \sinh(x) \approx 2\pi \sinh(1) \left(\frac{\sin(\pi x)}{\pi^2 + 1} - \frac{2\sin(2\pi x)}{4\pi^2 + 1} + \dots - (-1)^n \frac{\sin(n\pi x)}{n^2\pi^2 + 1} + \dots \right)$$



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Can show that the series converges provided that $h(x)$ is **piecewise continuous**.

Generalization to infinite range

Examples in time domain --

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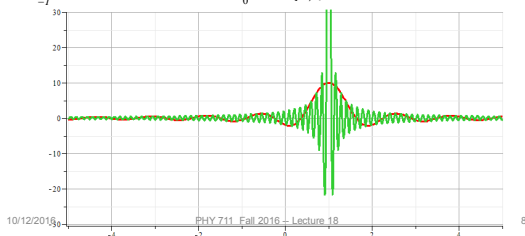
Fourier transforms

A useful identity

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i(\omega - \omega_0)t} = 2\pi \delta(\omega - \omega_0)$$

Note that

$$\int_{-T}^T dt e^{-i(\omega - \omega_0)t} = \frac{2 \sin[(\omega - \omega_0)T]}{\omega - \omega_0} \underset{T \rightarrow \infty}{\approx} 2\pi \delta(\omega - \omega_0)$$



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Definition of Fourier Transform for a function $f(t)$:

$$f(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega F(\omega) e^{-i\omega t}$$

Backward transform :

$$F(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt f(t) e^{i\omega t}$$

Check :

$$f(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt' f(t') e^{i\omega t'} \right) e^{-i\omega t}$$

$$f(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt' f(t') \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega e^{i\omega(t'-t)} \right) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt' f(t') \delta(t'-t)$$

Note: The location of the 2π factor varies among texts.

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Properties of Fourier transforms -- Parseval's theorem:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt (f(t))^* f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega (F(\omega))^* F(\omega)$$

Check:
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt (f(t))^* f(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega F(\omega) e^{i\omega t} \right)^* \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega' F(\omega') e^{i\omega' t}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega F^*(\omega) \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega' F(\omega') \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{i(\omega' - \omega)t}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega F^*(\omega) \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega' F(\omega') 2\pi \delta(\omega' - \omega)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega F^*(\omega) F(\omega)$$

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Use of Fourier transforms to solve wave equation

Wave equation:
$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} - c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = 0$$

Suppose $u(x, t) = e^{-i\omega t} \tilde{F}(x, \omega)$ where $\tilde{F}(x, \omega)$ satisfies the equation:

More generally:

$$\frac{\partial^2 \tilde{F}(x, \omega)}{\partial x^2} = -\frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \tilde{F}(x, \omega) \equiv -k^2 \tilde{F}(x, \omega)$$

$$u(x, t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega F(\omega) e^{-i\omega t}$$

Further assume that fixed boundary conditions apply: $0 \leq x \leq L$

with $\tilde{F}(0, \omega) = 0$ and $\tilde{F}(L, \omega) = 0$

For $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

$$\tilde{F}_n(x, \omega) = \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \quad k \rightarrow k_n = \frac{n\pi}{L} \equiv \frac{\omega_n}{c}$$

$$u(x, t) = e^{-i\omega_n t} \sin(k_n x) = e^{-i\omega_n t} \frac{(e^{ik_n x} - e^{-ik_n x})}{2i} = \frac{(e^{ik_n(x-ct)} - e^{-ik_n(x+ct)})}{2i}$$

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Use of Fourier transforms to solve wave equation -- continued

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} - c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = 0$$

Using superposition: Suppose $u(x, t) = \sum_n C_n e^{-i\omega_n t} \tilde{F}_n(x, \omega_n)$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \tilde{F}_n(x, \omega_n)}{\partial x^2} = -\frac{\omega_n^2}{c^2} \tilde{F}_n(x, \omega_n) \equiv -k_n^2 \tilde{F}_n(x, \omega_n)$$

For $\tilde{F}_n(x, \omega) = \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \quad k \rightarrow k_n = \frac{n\pi}{L} \equiv \frac{\omega_n}{c}$

$$\Rightarrow u(x, t) = \sum_n C_n e^{-i\omega_n t} \sin(k_n x) = \sum_n \frac{C_n}{2i} e^{-i\omega_n t} (e^{ik_n x} - e^{-ik_n x})$$

$$= \sum_n \frac{C_n}{2i} (e^{ik_n(x-ct)} - e^{-ik_n(x+ct)}) \equiv f(x-ct) + g(x+ct)$$

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Fourier transform for a time periodic function:

Suppose $f(t + nT) = f(t)$ for and integer n

$$F(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt f(t) e^{i\omega t} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\int_0^T dt f(t) e^{i\omega(t+nT)} \right)$$

Note that:

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{in\omega T} = \Omega \sum_{\nu=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(\omega - \nu\Omega), \quad \text{where } \Omega \equiv \frac{2\pi}{T}$$

Details:

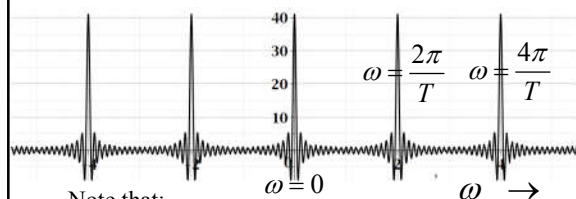
$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{in\omega T} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=-N}^N e^{in\omega T} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin\left((N + \frac{1}{2})\omega T\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{1}{2}\omega T\right)}$$

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Some details :

$$\sum_{n=-M}^M e^{in\omega T} = \frac{\sin\left((M + \frac{1}{2})\omega T\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{1}{2}\omega T\right)}$$

$$\lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\sin\left((M + \frac{1}{2})\omega T\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{1}{2}\omega T\right)} \right) = 2\pi \sum_{\nu} \delta(\omega T - \nu\Omega T) = \frac{2\pi}{T} \sum_{\nu} \delta(\omega - \nu\Omega)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{in\omega T} = \Omega \sum_{\nu=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(\omega - \nu\Omega), \quad \text{where } \Omega \equiv \frac{2\pi}{T}$$

$$\Rightarrow F(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt f(t) e^{i\omega t} = \sum_{\nu=-\infty}^{\infty} \Omega \delta(\omega - \nu\Omega) \left(\int_0^T dt f(t) e^{i\nu\Omega t} \right)$$

Thus, for a time periodic function

$$f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{\nu=-\infty}^{\infty} F(\nu\Omega) e^{-i\nu\Omega t}$$

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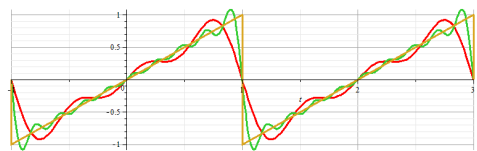
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Example:

Suppose: $f(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{t-nT}{T} & \text{for } (n-1)T \leq t \leq (n+1)T; \quad n = 0, 2, 4, 6 \dots \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

Note, in this case the repeat period is $2T$ and the convenient sample time interval is $-T \leq t \leq T$.

$$\bar{F}(\nu\Omega) = \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T \frac{t}{T} \sin\left(\frac{\nu 2\pi t}{2T}\right) dt \quad f(t) = \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} 2|\bar{F}(\nu\Omega)| \sin\left(\frac{\nu 2\pi t}{2T}\right)$$



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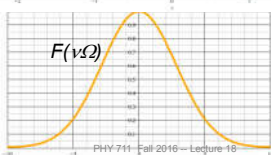
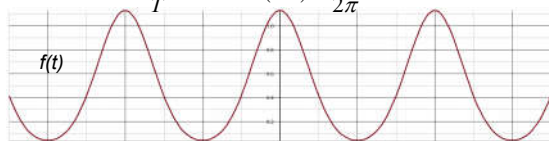
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Example:

Suppose: $f(t) = \frac{1}{a\sqrt{\pi}} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-(t+nT)^2/a^2} = \sum_{\nu=-\infty}^{\infty} F(\nu\Omega) e^{-i\nu\Omega t}$

where $\Omega \equiv \frac{2\pi}{T}$ and $F(\nu\Omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} e^{-a^2 \nu^2 \Omega^2 / 4}$

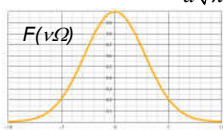


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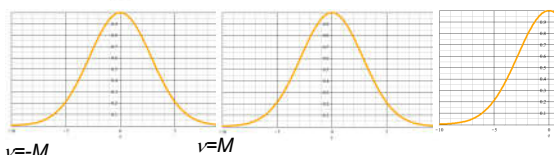
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Continued: $f(t) = \frac{1}{a\sqrt{\pi}} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-(t+nT)^2/a^2} = \sum_{\nu=-\infty}^{\infty} F(\nu\Omega) e^{-i\nu\Omega t}$



Note: $f(t) \approx \sum_{\nu=-M}^M F(\nu\Omega) e^{-i\nu\Omega t}$

 $\nu=-M$ $\nu=M$

$$\Rightarrow f\left(\frac{mT}{2M+1}\right) = \sum_{\nu=-M}^M F(\nu\Omega) e^{-i2\pi\nu m/(2M+1)}$$

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Thus, for a periodic function

$$f(t) = \sum_{\nu=-\infty}^{\infty} F(\nu\Omega) e^{-i\nu\Omega t}$$

Now suppose that the transformed function is bounded;

$$|F(\nu\Omega)| \leq \varepsilon \quad \text{for } |\nu| \geq N$$

Define a periodic transform function

$$\tilde{F}(\nu\Omega) \equiv \tilde{F}(\nu\Omega + \nu'((2N+1)\Omega))$$

Effect on time domain :

$$f(t) = \sum_{\nu=-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{F}(\nu\Omega) e^{-i\nu\Omega t} = \frac{2\pi}{(2N+1)\Omega} \sum_{\nu=-N}^N \tilde{F}(\nu\Omega) e^{-i\nu\Omega t} \sum_{\mu} \delta\left(t - \frac{\mu T}{2N+1}\right)$$

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Doubly periodic functions

$$t \rightarrow \frac{\mu T}{2N+1}$$

$$\tilde{f}_{\mu} = \frac{1}{2N+1} \sum_{\nu=-N}^N \tilde{F}_{\nu} e^{-i2\pi\nu\mu/(2N+1)}$$

$$\tilde{F}_{\nu} = \sum_{\mu=-N}^N \tilde{f}_{\mu} e^{i2\pi\nu\mu/(2N+1)}$$

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More convenient notation

$$2N+1 \rightarrow M$$

$$\tilde{f}_{\mu} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{\nu=0}^{M-1} \tilde{F}_{\nu} e^{-i2\pi\nu\mu/M}$$

$$\tilde{F}_{\nu} = \sum_{\mu=0}^{M-1} \tilde{f}_{\mu} e^{i2\pi\nu\mu/M}$$

Note that for $W = e^{i2\pi/M}$

$$\tilde{F}_0 = \tilde{f}_0 W^0 + \tilde{f}_1 W^0 + \tilde{f}_2 W^0 + \tilde{f}_3 W^0 + \dots$$

$$\tilde{F}_1 = \tilde{f}_0 W^0 + \tilde{f}_1 W^1 + \tilde{f}_2 W^2 + \tilde{f}_3 W^3 + \dots$$

$$\tilde{F}_2 = \tilde{f}_0 W^0 + \tilde{f}_1 W^2 + \tilde{f}_2 W^4 + \tilde{f}_3 W^6 + \dots$$

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However, $W^M = (e^{i2\pi/M})^M = 1$

and $W^{M/2} = (e^{i2\pi/M})^{M/2} = -1$

Cooley-Tukey algorithm: J. W. Cooley and J. W. Tukey, "An algorithm for machine calculation of complex Fourier series" Math. Computation 19, 297-301 (1965)

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