

# Lec 7

- Orthogonality
- reason for the formula of Fourier coeff.  $C_k$
- Parseval's relation.

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- even/odd extensions
- Fourier cosine series
- Fourier sine series

• Orthogonality:  $L > 0$ .

For  $k, l$  integer,

$$\frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L e^{ik\frac{\pi}{L}t} e^{-il\frac{\pi}{L}t} dt = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } k=l \\ 0 & \text{if } k \neq l \end{cases}$$

Remark same result works for  $\frac{1}{2L} \int_a^b e^{ik\frac{\pi}{L}t} e^{-il\frac{\pi}{L}t} dt$   
as long as  $b-a = 2L = \text{period of both } e^{ik\frac{\pi}{L}t} \text{ \& } e^{-il\frac{\pi}{L}t} /$

EX  $f(t) = 3e^{i2t} + 4e^{-it} + 5e^{it}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t) e^{-i2t} dt &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} 3e^{i2t} e^{-i2t} dt \\ &+ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} 4e^{-it} e^{-i2t} dt \quad \rightarrow 0 \text{ by orthogonality} \\ &+ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} 5e^{it} e^{-i2t} dt \quad \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$= 3 \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{i2t} e^{-i2t} dt$$

$$= 3 \cdot 1 = \underline{3} \quad \square$$

Reason for formula of Fourier coeff.  $C_k$

$$\text{For } f(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} C_k e^{ik\frac{T}{L}t}$$

"k-th Fourier coeff."

For fixed integer  $l$ ,

$$\frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(t) e^{-il\frac{T}{L}t} dt = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} C_k e^{ik\frac{T}{L}t} e^{-il\frac{T}{L}t} dt$$

$$= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} C_k \cdot \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L e^{ik\frac{T}{L}t} \cdot e^{-il\frac{T}{L}t} dt$$
$$= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } k \neq l \\ 1 & \text{if } k = l \end{cases}$$
$$= C_l$$

This calculation explains why we have such a formula for  $C_k$  in the Fourier series.  
Fourier coefficient.

Parseval's relation

Ex Let  $f(t) = e^{i\frac{t}{2}} + (2+i)e^{i2t} + \frac{1}{3}e^{i3t}$

• period?  $T = 4\pi$  ← This is a common period for  $e^{i\frac{t}{2}}$ ,  $e^{i2t}$ ,  $e^{i3t}$

energy

$$\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{-2\pi}^{2\pi} |f(t)|^2 dt = ?$$

(sol.)

$$\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{-2\pi}^{2\pi} |f(t)|^2 dt = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{-2\pi}^{2\pi} \underbrace{f(t)} \overline{f(t)} dt$$

Important! A complex number  $\Rightarrow |A|^2 = A\bar{A}$ , where  $\bar{A}$  = complex conjugate.

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{-2\pi}^{2\pi} (e^{i\frac{t}{3}} + (2+i)e^{i2t} + \frac{1}{3}e^{i3t}) (e^{-i\frac{t}{3}} + (2-i)e^{-i2t} + \frac{1}{3}e^{-i3t}) \\
&= \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{-2\pi}^{2\pi} e^{i\frac{t}{3}} (e^{-i\frac{t}{3}} + (2-i)e^{-i2t} + \frac{1}{3}e^{-i3t}) \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{-2\pi}^{2\pi} (2+i)e^{i2t} (e^{-i\frac{t}{3}} + (2-i)e^{-i2t} + \frac{1}{3}e^{-i3t}) \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{-2\pi}^{2\pi} \frac{1}{3}e^{i3t} (e^{-i\frac{t}{3}} + (2-i)e^{-i2t} + \frac{1}{3}e^{-i3t})
\end{aligned}$$

(orthogonality gives cancellations!)

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 1 + (2+i)(2-i) + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 \\
&= 1 + |2+i|^2 + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 \quad \square
\end{aligned}$$

In general, for  $f(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k e^{i\frac{k\pi}{L}t}$   $\leftarrow$   $2L$ -periodic

Parseval relation  $\frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L |f(t)|^2 dt = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_k|^2$

"energy" of signal  $f(t)$   $\leftarrow$  This measures the strength of the signal.

Why this can be practical?

We can approximate a (complicated) signal

by a finite sum of simple signals

by "truncating" the Fourier series

$f(t)$   $\rightarrow$  compute  $c_k = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(t) e^{-i \frac{k\pi}{L} t} dt$   $\rightarrow$  Use  $f_N(t) = \sum_{k=-N}^N c_k e^{i \frac{k\pi}{L} t}$   
 Original  $2L$ -periodic signal  $\rightarrow$  for  $k=0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots, \pm N$  to approximate  $f(t)$   
 Some large number (A computer can handle it)

"here we loose the other terms  $\sum_{|k| > N} c_k e^{i \frac{k\pi}{L} t}$ "

But, for large enough  $N$ , the size of error  $\sum_{|k| > N} |c_k|^2$  will be small."

Also, we can estimate how much two signals are close when we know ONLY about Fourier coefficients

EX Suppose  $f(t), g(t)$   $2L$ -periodic functions.

Let  $c_k =$  Fourier coeff. for  $f$   
 $d_k =$  " " " "  $g$

Suppose we know that  $|c_k - d_k| \leq \frac{1}{100} \cdot 2^{-|k|}$

Estimate  $\frac{1}{2} \int_{-L}^L |f-g|^2 dt$

(sol). Note: Fourier coeff. of  $f-g$   
 $= c_k - d_k$ .  $\leftarrow$  show this! EASY.

Parseval  $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \int_{-L}^L |f-g|^2 dt = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_k - d_k|^2 \leq \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{100^2} 2^{-2|k|}$   
given condition

$$\leq \frac{1}{100^2} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^{-2|k|}$$

$$= \frac{1}{100^2} \left[ 2^0 + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2^{-2k} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{100^2} \left[ 1 + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{3} \right]$$

$$= \frac{5}{30000} = \frac{1}{6000}$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2^2}\right)^k = \frac{\frac{1}{2^2}}{1 - \frac{1}{2^2}} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 |f-g|^2 dt \leq \frac{1}{6000}$$

