

Today

- Homework
 - one WW problem to appear today
 - more TBA from the textbook to be handed in at the start of the tutorial Monday April 7.
- Tutorial on Monday - worksheet instead of quiz.
- Orthogonality of sine and cosine functions
- Fourier series approximations to functions
- Using Fourier series to solve the Diffusion Equation

Solving initial conditions using linear algebra

- To solve vector ODEs with ICs, we had to express the initial vector as a linear combination of the eigenvectors:

$$\mathbf{x}' = A\mathbf{x}, \quad \mathbf{x}(0) = \mathbf{x}_0$$

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 e^{\lambda_2 t} \mathbf{v}_2$$

$$\mathbf{x}(0) = c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 = \mathbf{x}_0$$

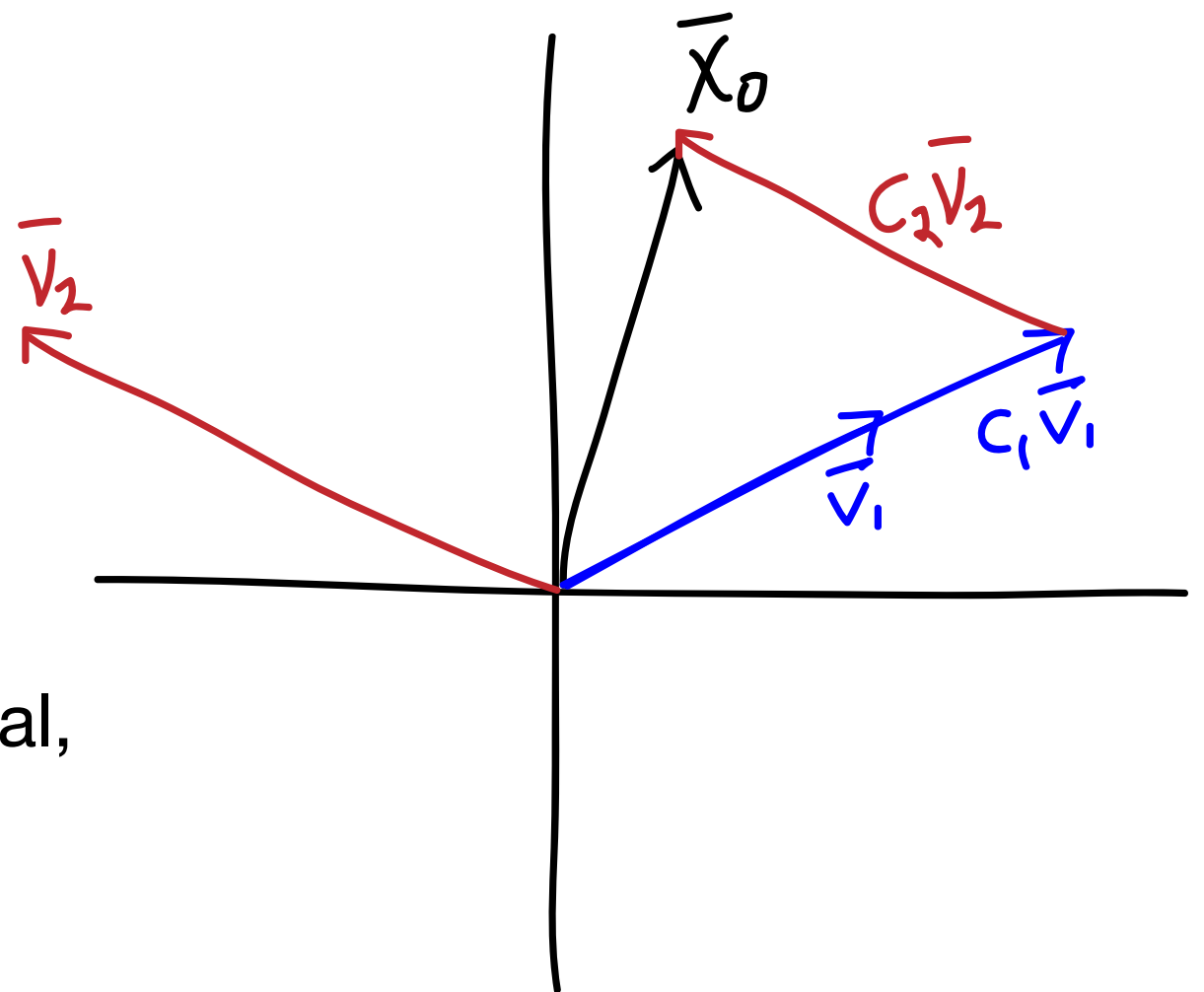
- If \mathbf{v}_1 and \mathbf{v}_2 are independent, then c_1 and c_2 can always be found.
- Even better, if \mathbf{v}_1 and \mathbf{v}_2 are orthogonal, then $\mathbf{v}_1 \circ \mathbf{v}_2 = 0$ and

$$\mathbf{x}_0 \circ \mathbf{v}_1 = c_1 \mathbf{v}_1 \circ \mathbf{v}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{v}_2 \circ \mathbf{v}_1$$

$$c_1 = \frac{\mathbf{x}_0 \circ \mathbf{v}_1}{\mathbf{v}_1 \circ \mathbf{v}_1}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_1 \circ \mathbf{v}_1 = \|\mathbf{v}_1\|^2$$

$$c_2 = \frac{\mathbf{x}_0 \circ \mathbf{v}_2}{\mathbf{v}_2 \circ \mathbf{v}_2}$$



Solving initial conditions using linear algebra

- For the Diffusion Equation, we found that to solve the problem

$$\frac{dc}{dt} = D \frac{d^2c}{dx^2} \quad \begin{array}{l} c(L, t) = 0 \\ c(0, t) = 0 \end{array} \quad c(x, 0) = f(x)$$

we have to add up eigenfunctions

$$c(x, t) = b_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} \sin(\omega_1 x) + b_2 e^{\lambda_2 t} \sin(\omega_2 x) + b_3 e^{\lambda_3 t} \sin(\omega_3 x) + \dots$$

and then figure out values for the b_n by imposing the initial condition

$$c(x, 0) = b_1 \sin(\omega_1 x) + b_2 \sin(\omega_2 x) + b_3 \sin(\omega_3 x) + \dots = f(x)$$

- Generalize **inner product** to functions:

$$g(x) \circ h(x) = \int_{-L}^L g(x) h(x) \, dx$$

Solving initial conditions using linear algebra

- Define $v_0(x) = 1$ $v_n(x) = \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$ $n = (0,)1, 2, 3, \dots$

$$v_0 \circ v_n =$$

★(A) 0

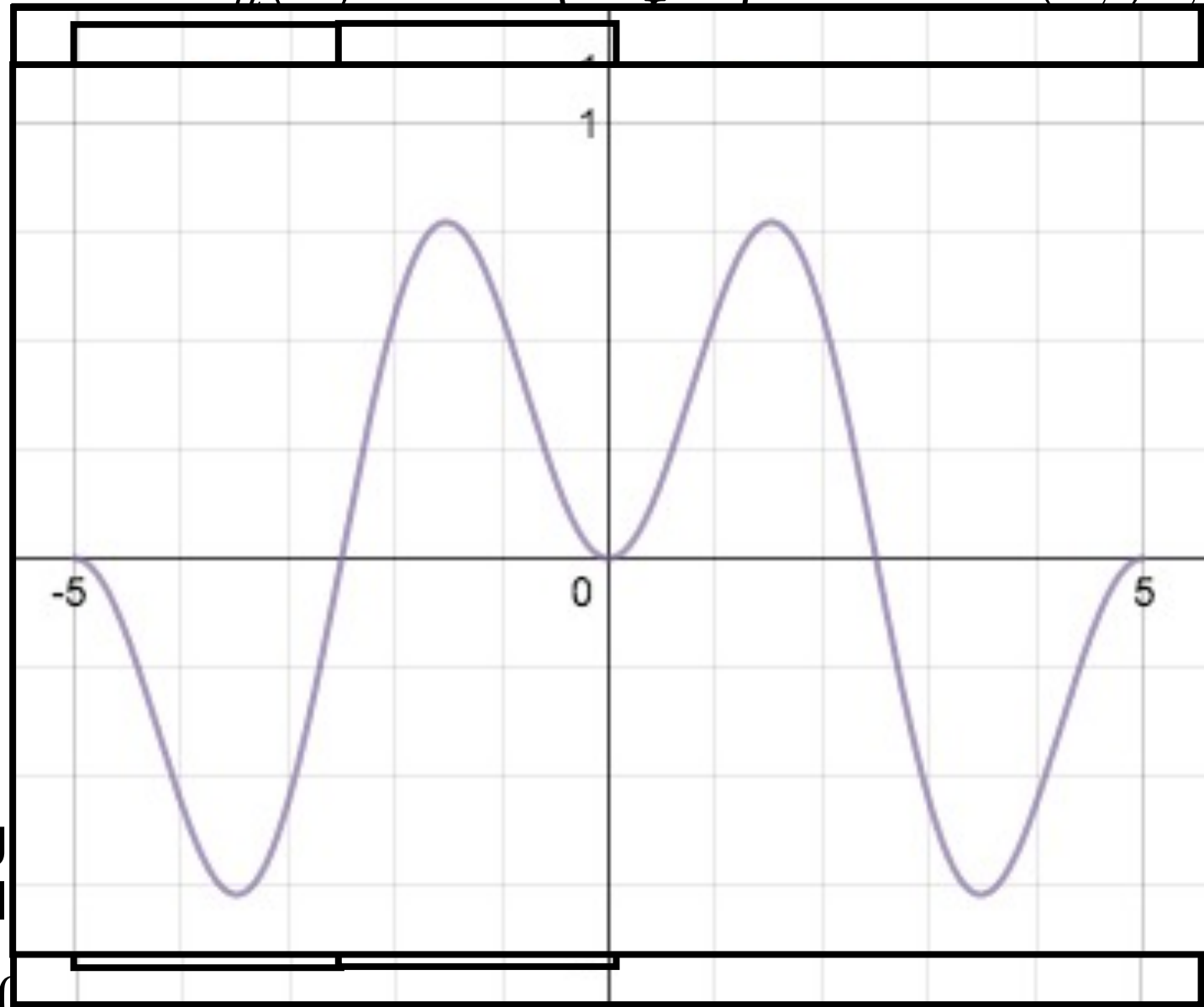
(B) π

(C) $\pi/2$

(D) $n\pi/2$

Integral of a trig
over one period

$$v_0 \circ w_n = 0$$



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$(m \neq n)$

$$g(x) \circ h(x) = \int_{-L}^L g(x)h(x) dx$$

Solving initial conditions using linear algebra

- The only inner products of eigenfunctions that aren't zero:

$$v_0 \circ v_0 = \int_{-L}^L 1 \cdot 1 \, dx = 2L$$

$$v_n \circ v_n = \int_{-L}^L \cos^2 \left(\frac{n\pi x}{L} \right) \, dx = L$$

$$w_n \circ w_n = \int_{-L}^L \sin^2 \left(\frac{n\pi x}{L} \right) \, dx = L$$

- We use this orthogonality property (as with vectors) to find the coefficients in the eigenvector sum

$$c(x, 0) = b_1 \sin(\omega_1 x) + b_2 \sin(\omega_2 x) + b_3 \sin(\omega_3 x) + \cdots = f(x)$$

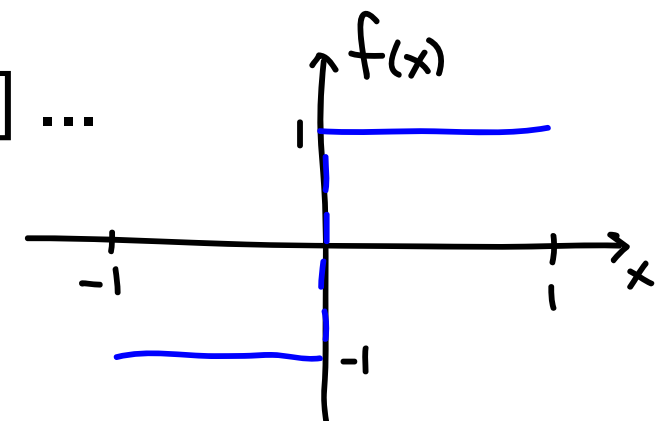
$$b_n = \frac{f(x) \circ v_n(x)}{v_n(x) \circ v_n(x)} = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \sin \left(\frac{n\pi x}{L} \right) \, dx$$

Fourier series

- Taking a step back from PDEs, let's define what a Fourier series is.
- Define a function $f_{FS}(x)$ on the interval $[-L, L]$ by choosing coefficients A_0 , a_n and b_n and setting

$$f_{FS}(x) = A_0 + a_1 \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) + a_2 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L}\right) + \dots$$
$$+ b_1 \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) + b_2 \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L}\right) + \dots$$

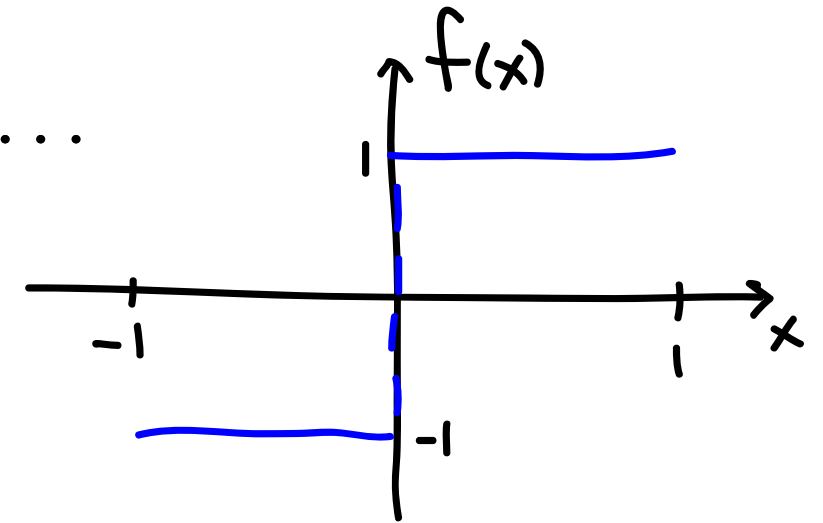
- This is called a Fourier series. It may or may not converge for different values of x , depending on the choice of coefficients.
- Given any function $f(x)$ on $[-L, L]$, can it be represented by some $f_{FS}(x)$?
- Let's check for $f(x) = 2u_0(x) - 1$ on the interval $[-1, 1]$...



Fourier series

- Find the Fourier series for $f(x) = 2u_0(x) - 1$ on the interval $[-1, 1]$.

$$f_{FS}(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + a_1 \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) + a_2 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L}\right) + \dots$$
$$+ b_1 \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) + b_2 \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L}\right) + \dots$$



- Our hope is that $f(x) = f_{FS}(x)$ so we calculate coefficients as if they were equal:

$$A_0 = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) dx$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

- To simplify formulas, usually define

$$a_0 = 2A_0 = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) dx$$

Fourier series

- Calculate the coefficients.

$$f_{FS}(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + a_1 \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) + a_2 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L}\right) + \dots$$

$$+ b_1 \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) + b_2 \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L}\right) + \dots$$

$$a_0 = \int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx$$

$$a_n = \int_{-1}^1 f(x) \cos(n\pi x) dx$$

$$b_n = \int_{-1}^1 f(x) \sin(n\pi x) dx$$

$b_n =$

★ (A) 0

(B) $\frac{12}{n\pi}$

(C) undefined

(D) $\frac{1}{n\pi}$

★ (D) $\frac{2(1 - (-1)^n)}{n\pi}$

$$b_n = \begin{cases} \frac{4}{n\pi} & \text{for } n \text{ odd,} \\ 0 & \text{for } n \text{ even.} \end{cases}$$

$$f_{FS}(x) = \frac{4}{\pi} \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) + \frac{4}{3\pi} \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{L}\right) + \frac{4}{5\pi} \sin\left(\frac{5\pi x}{L}\right) + \dots$$

<https://www.desmos.com/calculator/tlvtikmi0y>

Does $f(x) = f_{FS}(x)$ for all x ?

Problems at jumps! $x = -1, 0, 1$

Fourier series

- **Theorem** Suppose f and f' are piecewise continuous on $[-L, L]$ and periodic beyond that interval. Then $f(x) = f_{FS}(x)$ at all points at which f is continuous. Furthermore, at points of discontinuity, $f_{FS}(x)$ takes the value of the midpoint of the jump. That is,

$$f_{FS}(x) = \frac{f(x^+) + f(x^-)}{2}$$

Examples

