

Week 10 summary

- Vector space: Set of Vectors  $X$ , and scalars ( $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ ).

\* Closed under addition

\* Closed under scalar multiplication

A basis is a minimal set  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  such that every vector  $v$  can be written uniquely:  $v = c_1 x_1 + c_2 x_2 + \dots + c_n x_n$ .

Ex:  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , polynomials of degree  $\leq n$ , power series  
periodic functions of period  $T$ , solution of linear homogeneous ODE's.

- Solving ODE's with power series & generalized power series

Singular pts: Consider  $y'' + P(x)y' + Q(x)y = 0$ .

\*  $x_0$  is ordinary if " $P(x_0)$  and  $Q(x_0)$  are defined" (almost)

\*  $x_0$  is singular otherwise. In this case:

-  $x_0$  is a regular singular point if  $(x-x_0)P(x)$  &  $(x-x_0)^2Q(x)$  are defined\* (almost)

-  $x_0$  is an irregular singular point otherwise.

Theorem of Frobenius:

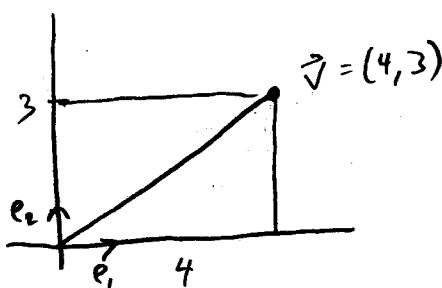
\* If  $x_0$  is an ordinary point, then there is a power series solution  $y(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(x-x_0)^n$

\* If  $x_0$  is a regular singular point, then there is a generalized power series solution  $y(x) = x^r \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(x-x_0)^n$ .

Moreover, the radius of convergence  $R = \min\{R_p, R_q\}$ .

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## Let's revisit basic geometry



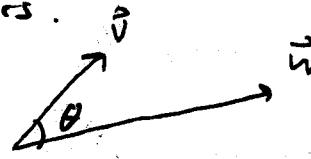
Question: How long is  $\vec{v}$  in the  $\hat{e}_1$ -direction?

Ans: 4 (duh).

Better ans:  $\vec{v} \cdot \hat{e}_1 = (4, 3) \cdot (1, 0) = 4$ .

\* Big idea: The dot product allows us to define angles, and hence distances, between vectors.

$$\text{Fact: } \cos \theta = \frac{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w}}{\|\vec{v}\| \|\vec{w}\|}$$



This is actually one way to define angles.

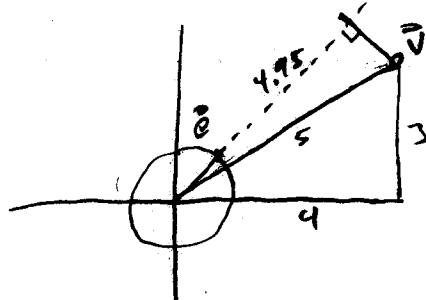
$$\text{Fact: } \|\vec{v}\| = \sqrt{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v}}$$

$$\text{check: } \vec{v} = (4, 3)$$

$$\sqrt{4^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{16 + 9} = 5 \quad \checkmark$$

\* IF  $\|\vec{e}\|=1$ , then  $\vec{v} \cdot \hat{e} =$  "length of  $\vec{v}$  in the  $\hat{e}$ -direction"  
= projection of  $\vec{v}$  onto  $\hat{e}$ .

$$\text{Ex: let } \hat{e} = \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right), \quad \vec{v} = (4, 3)$$



$$\vec{v} \cdot \hat{e} = (4, 3) \cdot \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) = 7 \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \approx 4.95$$

\* Goal: We want to put a dot product on the space of periodic functions, so we can use these "geometric tools" to analyze them.

First, let's extend the notion of a dot product in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to an arbitrary vector space (we call it an "inner product")

Def: Let  $X$  be a vector space. An inner product is a function (denoted, e.g.,  $\langle u, v \rangle$ ) such that

$$(i) \langle u+v, w \rangle = \langle u, w \rangle + \langle v, w \rangle \text{ (additive)}$$

$$(ii) \langle cu, v \rangle = c\langle u, v \rangle \text{ (constant pull out)}$$

$$(iii) \langle v, w \rangle = \langle w, v \rangle \text{ (symmetric)}$$

$$(iv) \langle v, v \rangle \geq 0 \text{ (non-negative*)}$$

$$(v) \langle v, v \rangle = 0 \text{ iff } v = 0.$$

Def: If  $\langle v, w \rangle = 0$ , then  $v$  &  $w$  are orthogonal (perpendicular)

Example: Consider  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Let  $\vec{v} = (4, 3, 2)$ .

$\{\hat{e}_1, \hat{e}_2, \hat{e}_3\}$  is an orthonormal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , i.e.

\* Unit length:  $\|e_i\| = 1$ , i.e.,  $\langle e_i, e_i \rangle = 1$

\* Orthogonal (perpendicular):  $\langle e_i, e_j \rangle = 0$  if it

$$\vec{v} = (4, 3, 2) = (\vec{v} \cdot \hat{e}_1, \vec{v} \cdot \hat{e}_2, \vec{v} \cdot \hat{e}_3),$$

\* Orthonormal bases are really nice!

We have an inner product for  $\mathbb{R}^n$  (the dot product).

It makes  $\{\hat{e}_1, \dots, \hat{e}_n\}$  an orthonormal basis.

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Now, let  $\text{Per}_{2\pi}$  = space of  $2\pi$ -periodic functions,

Define an inner product as follows:

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t) g(t) dt$$

Fact 1:  $B = \left\{ \frac{1}{2}, \cos t, \cos 2t, \dots, \sin t, \sin 2t, \dots \right\}$  is a basis for  $\text{Per}_{2\pi}$

Fact 2: This inner product makes  $B$  an orthonormal basis!

$$\text{i.e., } \langle \cos nt, \cos mt \rangle := \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos nt \cos mt dt = \begin{cases} 1 & n=m \\ 0 & n \neq m \end{cases}$$

$$\langle \sin nt, \sin mt \rangle := \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin nt \sin mt dt = \begin{cases} 1 & n=m \\ 0 & n \neq m \end{cases}$$

$$\langle \cos nt, \sin mt \rangle := \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos nt \sin mt dt = 0.$$

\* Big idea: Since  $B$  is a basis, every  $2\pi$ -periodic

function  $f(t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \cos nt + b_n \sin nt$

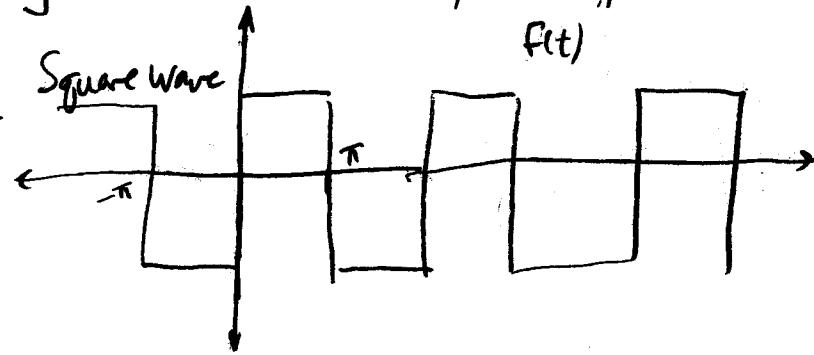
Compare: In  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $(4, 3) \bullet (1, 0) = 4$  "magnitude in x-direction"

In  $\text{Per}_{2\pi}$ ,  $\langle \vec{v}, \cos 2t \rangle$  = "magnitude in  $\cos 2t$ -direction"

\* The dot/inner product allows us to decompose vectors into components by projection.

So,  $a_n = \langle f(t), \cos nt \rangle = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t) \cos nt dt$

 $b_n = \langle f(t), \sin nt \rangle = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t) \sin nt dt$

Ex 1: Square WaveFind the Fourier series of  $f(t)$ .

$$f(t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nt + b_n \sin nt)$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t) dt = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^0 (-1) dt + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} 1 dt = 0.$$

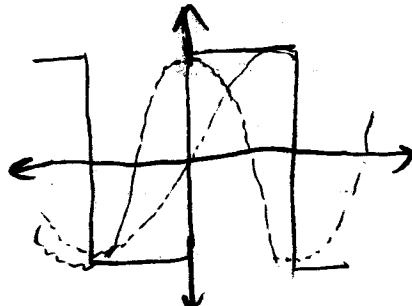
$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t) \cos nt dt = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^0 -1 \cos nt dt + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} 1 \cos nt dt \\ &= \frac{-1}{n\pi} \sin nt \Big|_{-\pi}^0 + \frac{1}{n\pi} \sin nt \Big|_0^{\pi} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} b_n &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t) \sin nt dt = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^0 -1 \sin nt dt + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} 1 \sin nt dt \\ &= \frac{1}{n\pi} \cos nt \Big|_{-\pi}^0 - \frac{1}{n\pi} \cos nt \Big|_0^{\pi} = \frac{1}{n\pi} (1 - \cos n\pi) - \frac{1}{n\pi} (\cos n\pi - 1) \\ &= \frac{2}{n\pi} (1 - \cos n\pi). \quad \text{Note: } \cos n\pi = (-1)^n \end{aligned}$$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{n\pi} (1 - (-1)^n) = \begin{cases} 0 & n \text{ even} \\ \frac{4}{n\pi} & n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

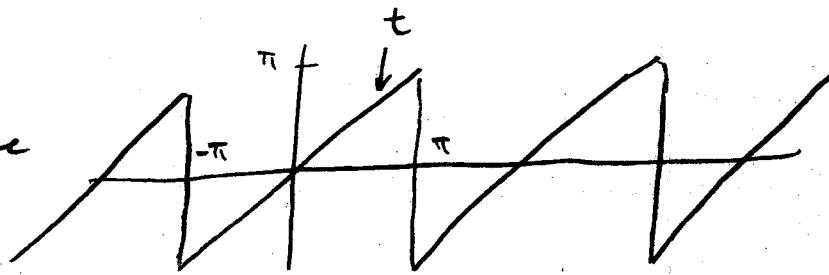
i.e., 
$$f(t) = \frac{4}{\pi} \sin t + \frac{4}{3\pi} \sin 3t + \frac{4}{5\pi} \sin 5t + \frac{4}{7\pi} \sin 7t + \dots$$

Note: All cosine terms, & even sine terms, are zero. (why?)



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Ex 2: Sawtooth wave



$$f(t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nt + b_n \sin nt$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} t dt = \frac{t^2}{2\pi} \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} = \frac{1}{2\pi} (\pi^2 - (-\pi)^2) = 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} t \cos nt dt \quad \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{let } u=t \\ du=dt \end{array} \right] \quad \left[ \begin{array}{l} v = \frac{1}{n} \sin nt \\ dv = \cos nt dt \end{array} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{n} t \sin nt \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} - \frac{1}{n} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin nt dt \right] \\ &= -\frac{1}{n\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin nt dt = -\frac{1}{n^2\pi} \cos nt \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} = \frac{1}{n^2\pi} [\cos \pi t - \cos(-\pi t)] \\ &= \frac{1}{n^2\pi} [\cos \pi t - \cos \pi t] = 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} b_n &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} t \sin nt dt \quad \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{let } u=t \\ du=dt \end{array} \right] \quad \left[ \begin{array}{l} v = -\frac{1}{n} \cos nt \\ dv = \sin nt dt \end{array} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -\frac{1}{n} t \cos nt \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} + \frac{1}{n} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos nt dt \right] = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos nt dt \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \left[ \left( t \frac{\pi}{n} \cos \pi t \right) - \left( \frac{\pi}{n} \cos \pi t \right) + \frac{1}{n^2} \sin nt \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \left[ -\frac{2\pi}{n} \cos(\pi t) \right] = -\frac{2}{n} \cos \pi t = -\frac{2}{n} (-1)^n = \frac{2}{n} (-1)^{n+1} = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{n} & n \text{ even} \\ \frac{-2}{n} & n \text{ odd} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) &= \frac{2}{2} \sin t - \frac{2}{2} \sin 2t + \frac{2}{3} \sin 3t - \frac{2}{4} \sin 4t + \frac{2}{5} \sin 5t - \frac{2}{6} \sin 6t + \dots \\ &= 2 \sin t - \sin 2t + \frac{2}{3} \sin 3t - \frac{1}{2} \sin 4t + \frac{2}{5} \sin 5t + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Think: How does this relate to music?