

7.2. OVERVIEW OF FOURIER SERIES

Section Objective(s):

- Fourier Expansion of Vectors.
- Fourier Expansion of Functions.
- Odd or Even Functions.
- Sine and Cosine Series.

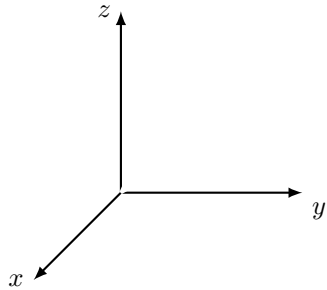
7.2.1. Fourier Expansion of Vectors.

Remark: We review basic concepts about vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 .

- (a) The _____ product of two vectors.
- (b) _____ and _____ set of vectors.
- (c) Fourier _____ (or orthonormal expansion) of vectors.
- (d) Vector _____.

Definition 7.2.1. The _____ of two vectors $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ is

_____,
with $|\mathbf{u}|, |\mathbf{v}|$ the magnitude of the vectors, and $\theta \in [0, \pi]$ the angle in between them.

**Remarks:**

- A vector \mathbf{u} is a unit vector iff
$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} = 1.$$
- The magnitude of a vector \mathbf{u} can be written as
$$|\mathbf{u}| = \sqrt{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u}}.$$

Remark: The dot product above satisfies the following properties.

Theorem 7.2.2. For every $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ and every $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ holds,

- (a) $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$ iff $\mathbf{u} = 0$; and $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} > 0$ for $\mathbf{u} \neq 0$. _____.
- (b) $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u}$. _____.
- (c) $(a\mathbf{u} + b\mathbf{v}) \cdot \mathbf{w} = a(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w}) + b(\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w})$. _____.

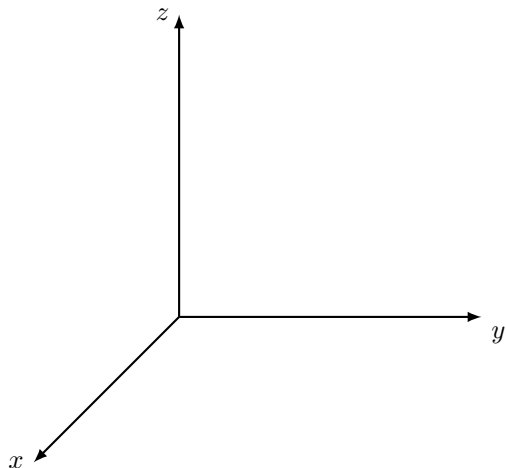
Theorem 7.2.3. The vectors \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} are _____ iff $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$.

EXAMPLE 7.2.1: The set $\{\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j}, \mathbf{k}\}$ is an _____ of \mathbb{R}^3 .

Orthonormal means:

- Orthogonality.

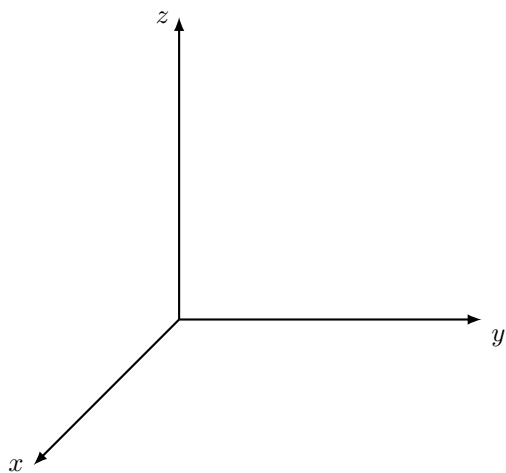
- Normality.



Theorem 7.2.4. (Fourier Expansion) The orthonormal set $\{\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j}, \mathbf{k}\}$ is an orthonormal _____, that is, every $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ can be _____ as _____.

The orthonormality of the vector set implies a formula for the vector components _____, _____, _____.

Remark: The decomposition above allow us to introduce vector approximations.



Vector Approximations:

7.2.2. Fourier Expansion of Functions.

Remark: The ideas described above for vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 can be extended to functions.

Definition 7.2.5. The _____ of two functions f, g on $[-L, L]$ is

_____.

Theorem 7.2.6. For every functions f, g, h and every $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ holds,

(a) $f \cdot f = 0$ iff $f = 0$; and $f \cdot f > 0$ for $f \neq 0$. _____.

(b) $f \cdot g = g \cdot f$. _____.

(c) $(af + bg) \cdot h = a(f \cdot h) + b(g \cdot h)$. _____.

Remarks:

- The _____ of a function f is

_____.

- A function f is a unit function iff _____.

Definition 7.2.7. Two functions f, g are _____ iff _____

Theorem 7.2.8. An _____ in the space of continuous functions on $[-L, L]$ is

_____.

Remark: Orthogonality:

Remark: Normality:

EXAMPLE 7.2.2: For $n \geq 1$ holds

Remark: The orthogonality of the set above is a consequence of the following:

Theorem 7.2.9. (Orthogonality) The following relations hold for all $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{-L}^L \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) dx &= \begin{cases} 0 & n \neq m, \\ L & n = m \neq 0, \\ L & n = m = 0, \end{cases} \\ \int_{-L}^L \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) dx &= \begin{cases} 0 & n \neq m, \\ L & n = m, \end{cases} \\ \int_{-L}^L \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) dx &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

Proof:

Remark: Often in the literature is used the following _____ set:

$$\left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{L}} \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{L}} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \quad (7.2.1)$$

Theorem 7.2.10. (Fourier Expansion) The orthogonal set

$\left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{L}} \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{L}} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$
 is an orthogonal _____ of the space of _____ functions on $[-L, L]$,
 that is, any continuous function on $[-L, L]$ can be _____ as

$$f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(a_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} + b_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \right)$$

Moreover, the coefficients above are given by the formulas

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

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

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

Furthermore, if f is _____, then the function

$$S(x) = \frac{1}{2} \left(f(x_0^+) + f(x_0^-) \right)$$

satisfies _____ for all x where f is _____, while
 for all x_0 where f is _____ it holds

$$S(x_0) = \frac{1}{2} \left(f(x_0^+) + f(x_0^-) \right)$$

EXAMPLE 7.2.3: Find the Fourier expansion of $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{3}, & \text{for } x \in [0, 3] \\ 0, & \text{for } x \in [-3, 0). \end{cases}$

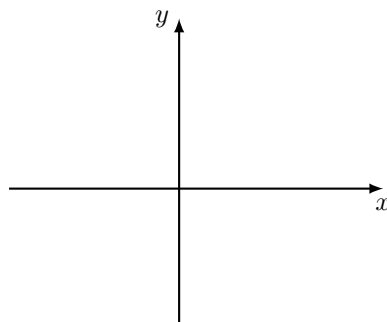
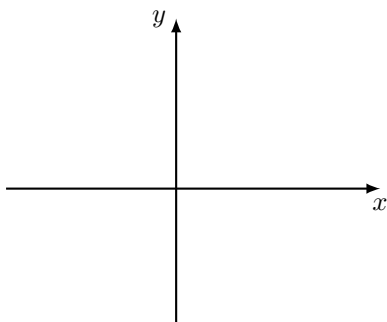
SOLUTION:

7.2.3. Odd or Even Functions.

Definition 7.2.11. A function f on $[-L, L]$ is:

- _____ iff _____ for all $x \in [-L, L]$;
- _____ iff _____ for all $x \in [-L, L]$.

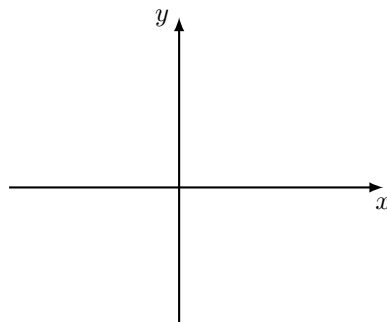
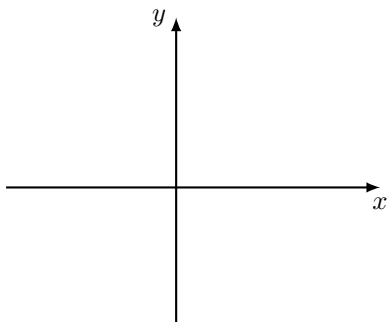
EXAMPLE 7.2.4: The function $y = x^2$ is _____, while the function $y = x^3$ is _____.



Theorem 7.2.12. If f_e, g_e are even and h_o, ℓ_o are odd functions, then:

- (1) $a f_e + b g_e$ is _____ for all $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$.
- (2) $a h_o + b \ell_o$ is _____ for all $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$.
- (3) $f_e g_e$ is _____.
- (4) $h_o \ell_o$ is _____.
- (5) $f_e h_o$ is _____.
- (6) $\int_{-L}^L f_e dx = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.
- (7) $\int_{-L}^L h_o dx = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.

Remark:



7.2.4. Sine and Cosine Series.

Theorem 7.2.13. Let f be a function on $[-L, L]$ with a Fourier expansion

_____.

(a) If f is _____, then _____. The series

_____ is called a _____.

(b) If f is _____, then _____. The series

_____ is called a _____.

Proof:

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EXAMPLE 7.2.5: Find the Fourier expansion of $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } x \in [0, 3] \\ -1, & \text{for } x \in [-3, 0). \end{cases}$

SOLUTION:

EXAMPLE 7.2.6: Find the Fourier series expansion of the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x & x \in [0, 1], \\ -x & x \in [-1, 0). \end{cases}$$

SOLUTION:

EXAMPLE 7.2.7: Find the Fourier series expansion of the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - x & x \in [0, 1] \\ 1 + x & x \in [-1, 0). \end{cases}$$

SOLUTION: