

Approximation Theory -

23 May 1990 Stone-Weierstrass Theorem in examples - Fourier series

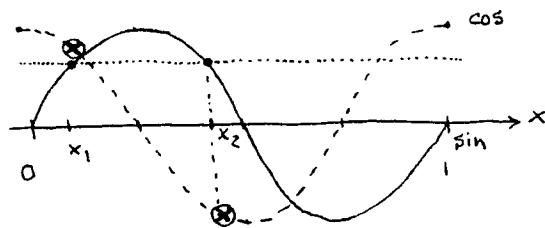
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ex: Fourier series satisfy S-W thm:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{F}} = \left\{ f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \sin(2\pi n x) + b_n \cos(2\pi n x) \quad a_n, b_n \in \mathbb{R}; x \in [0, 1] \right\}$$

I) Identity $f(x) = 1 \cos(2\pi 0x) = 1 \in \tilde{\mathcal{F}}$ ✓

II) Separability Consider $\sin(2\pi x)$ and $\cos(2\pi x)$



We observe that when $x_1 \neq x_2$ then $\cos(2\pi x_1) \neq \cos(2\pi x_2)$ if (i.e. the intersection of dotted line and cos) we... see that $\sin(2\pi x_1) \neq \sin(2\pi x_2)$ (i.e. @. points).

The only exception to this rule is $x_1=0, x_2=1$. Indeed, 0 and 1 are not separable. Thus, we have a problem. We can fix this problem by working on a slightly smaller interval, $[0, 1-\epsilon]$ ϵ small. Since we can get an interval arbitrarily close to $[0, 1]$ we can also use the entire interval $[0, 1]$ with the understanding that we can only approximate func's, $g(x)$, such that $g(0)=g(1)$. We cannot approximate a func having different values on the end points. Nevertheless, we fail to approximate such func's only at the end points.

III) Closure $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \sin(2\pi n x) + b_n \cos(2\pi n x) \quad g(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n \sin(2\pi n x) + d_n \cos(2\pi n x)$

$$af(x) + bg(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (a_n + c_n) \sin(2\pi n x) + (b_n + d_n) \cos(2\pi n x) \in \tilde{\mathcal{F}} \quad \checkmark$$

$$f(x)g(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_n c_m \sin(2\pi n x) \sin(2\pi m x) + \text{etc.}$$

Can expand $\sum \sum$ as single \sum , $\sin \cdot \sin$ as sum of \sin, \cos ✓