

§ 8.3 The Fourier Transform

- Trig functions  $\cos kx, \sin kx$  ( $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ): relatively simple but can approx. other functions.
- Let  $E_k(x) = e^{2\pi i k \cdot x}$ .  $\{E_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^n}$  is an orthonormal basis for  $L^2(\mathbb{T}^n)$ , where  $\mathbb{T}^n = \mathbb{R}^n / \mathbb{Z}^n$  ( $n$ -dim torus).
- $\mathbb{T}^n \rightarrow \{(z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n : \text{all } |z_j| = 1\}$ .  $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mapsto (e^{2\pi i x_1}, \dots, e^{2\pi i x_n})$ .
- $\mathbb{T}^n \leftrightarrow Q = [0, 1]^n$ .  $m(\mathbb{T}^n) = m(Q) = 1$ .  $\mathbb{T}^n$ : compact, Hausdorff.
- $f \in L^2(\mathbb{T}^n)$ :  $\hat{f}(k) = \langle f, E_k \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{T}^n} f(x) e^{-2\pi i k \cdot x} dx$  ( $k \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ )
- $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ :  $\hat{f}(\xi) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(x) e^{-2\pi i k \cdot x} dx$  ( $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$ )
- Topics: Def, basic properties, inversion, the Riemann-Lebesgue Lemma, Hausdorff-Young ineq., Plancherel Thm, and Poisson summation.

Thm 8.20  $\{E_k : k \in \mathbb{Z}^n\}$  is an orthonormal 77  
basis of  $L^2(\mathbb{T}^n)$ .  
 $\cos(2\pi kx) + i \sin(2\pi kx)$

Proof Orthonormality:  $\int_0^1 e^{2\pi i k t} dt = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } k=0 \\ 0 & \text{if } k \neq 0 \end{cases}$

The Stone-Weierstrass Thm  $\Rightarrow$   $\text{Span}\{E_k : k \in \mathbb{Z}^n\}$  is dense in  $C(\mathbb{T}^n)$  in the unif. norm, hence, in the  $L^2$ -norm. So,  $\overline{\text{Span}\{E_k : k \in \mathbb{Z}^n\}} = L^2(\mathbb{T}^n)$ .

If  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{T}^n)$  and  $\langle f, E_k \rangle = 0 \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ , then  $f = 0$  in  $L^2(\mathbb{T}^n)$ . Hence, the result is true by Thm 5.27. QED

Def If  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{T}^n)$  then the Fourier transform  
 $\hat{f}$ , a function on  $\mathbb{Z}^n$ , is  $\hat{f}(k) = \langle f, E_k \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{T}^n} f(x) e^{-2\pi i k x} dx$ .

The Fourier series of  $f$  is  
 $\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \hat{f}(k) E_k$ ,  $\hat{f}(k)$  are the Fourier coefficients.

The Hausdorff-Young inequality.  $1 \leq p \leq 2$ ,  $q, p$ : conjugate. 78

$$f \in L^p(\mathbb{T}^n) \implies \hat{f} \in \ell^q(\mathbb{Z}^n) \text{ and } \|\hat{f}\|_q \leq \|f\|_p.$$

Proof  $p=1, q=\infty, \|\hat{f}\|_\infty \leq \|f\|_1, p=2, q=2, \|\hat{f}\|_2 = \|f\|_2$   
(Since  $\{E_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^n}$  is an orthonormal basis,  $\sum_k |\hat{f}(k)|^2 = \|f\|_2^2$ ).

General case by the Riesz-Thorin interpolation Thm.

○  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu), (Y, \mathcal{N}, \nu)$ : meas. space,  $\nu$ :  $\sigma$ -finite;

○  $p_0, p_1, q_0, q_1 \in [0, \infty], 0 < t < 1: \frac{1}{p_t} = \frac{1-t}{p_0} + \frac{t}{p_1}, \frac{1}{q_t} = \frac{1-t}{q_0} + \frac{t}{q_1};$

○  $T: L^{p_0}(\mu) + L^{p_1}(\mu) \longrightarrow L^{q_0}(\nu) + L^{q_1}(\nu)$  linear.

$$\|Tf\|_{q_0} \leq M_0 \|f\|_{p_0} \quad \forall f \in L^{p_0}(\mu), \quad \|Tf\|_{q_1} \leq M_1 \|f\|_{p_1} \quad \forall f \in L^{p_1}(\mu)$$

$$\implies \|Tf\|_{q_t} \leq M_0^{1-t} M_1^t \|f\|_{p_t} \quad \forall f \in L^{p_t}(\mu)$$

Here,  $Tf = \hat{f}, \frac{1}{p} = \frac{1-t}{1} + \frac{t}{2} = 1 - \frac{t}{2} \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1), p \in (1, 2)$

$$\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1-t}{\infty} + \frac{t}{2} = \frac{t}{2} \in (0, \frac{1}{2}), q \in (2, \infty), \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1.$$

$$M_0 = M_1 = 1. \implies \|Tf\|_q \leq \|f\|_p. \quad \underline{\text{Q.E.D.}}$$

Def. The Fourier transform of  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$  79  
 is  $\mathcal{F}f(\xi) = \widehat{f}(\xi) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(x) e^{-2\pi i \xi \cdot x} dx \quad (\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n)$

Note.  $|\mathcal{F}f(\xi)| \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |f(x)| |e^{-2\pi i \xi \cdot x}| dx = \|f\|_1 \Rightarrow \|\mathcal{F}f\|_\infty \leq \|f\|_1$

$\mathcal{F}f$  is continuous by the DCT. So,  $\mathcal{F}: L^1(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow BC(\mathbb{R}^n)$

Thm 8.22 Let  $f, g \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

(a)  $\widehat{\tau_y f}(\xi) = e^{-2\pi i \xi \cdot y} \widehat{f}(\xi)$ ,

$\tau_y(\widehat{f}) = \widehat{h}$ , where  $h(x) = e^{2\pi i y \cdot x} f(x)$   $x - y = z$

Pf  $\widehat{\tau_y f}(\xi) = \int f(x-y) e^{-2\pi i \xi \cdot x} dx = \int f(z) e^{-2\pi i \xi \cdot (y+z)} dz$   
 $= e^{-2\pi i \xi \cdot y} \int f(z) e^{-2\pi i \xi \cdot z} dz = e^{-2\pi i \xi \cdot y} \widehat{f}(\xi)$ .

Similar for the other formula.

(b)  $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  linear and invertible,  $S = (T^{-1})^*$  80

$\Rightarrow \widehat{f \circ T} = |\det T|^{-1} \widehat{f} \circ S$ .

$\xi \cdot T^{-1}x = S\xi \cdot x$

⊙  $T$  is a rotation or translation  $\Rightarrow \widehat{f \circ T} = \widehat{f} \circ T$ .

⊙  $Tx = t^{-1}x$  ( $t > 0$ )  $\Rightarrow \widehat{f \circ T}(\xi) = t^n \widehat{f}(t\xi)$ , i.e.,  $\widehat{f}_t(\xi) = \widehat{f}(t\xi)$

Pf  $\widehat{f \circ T}(\xi) = \int f(Tx) e^{-2\pi i \xi \cdot x} dx = |\det T|^{-1} \int f(x) e^{-2\pi i \xi \cdot Tx} dx$

$= |\det T|^{-1} \int f(x) e^{-2\pi i S\xi \cdot x} dx = |\det T|^{-1} \widehat{f}(S\xi)$   $\int g = |\det T| \int g \circ T$

(c)  $\widehat{f * g} = \widehat{f} \widehat{g}$ . (Note: Young's ineq.  $\Rightarrow \|f * g\|_1 \leq \|f\|_1 \|g\|_1$ .)

Pf  $\widehat{f * g}(\xi) = \int \int f(x-y) g(y) e^{-2\pi i \xi \cdot x} dy dx$

Fubini  $\int \int f(x-y) e^{-2\pi i \xi \cdot (x-y)} g(y) e^{-2\pi i \xi \cdot y} dx dy$

$= \widehat{f}(\xi) \int g(y) e^{-2\pi i \xi \cdot y} dy = \widehat{f}(\xi) \widehat{g}(\xi)$

(d)  $x^\alpha f(x) \in L^1, \forall |\alpha| \leq k \Rightarrow \widehat{f} \in C^k, \partial^\alpha \widehat{f} = \widehat{(-2\pi i x)^\alpha f}$ .

Pf  $\partial^\alpha \widehat{f}(\xi) = \partial_\xi^\alpha \int f(x) e^{-2\pi i \xi \cdot x} dx = \int f(x) (-2\pi i x)^\alpha e^{-2\pi i \xi \cdot x} dx$ .

(e)  $f \in C^k, \partial^\alpha f \in L^1 \forall |\alpha| \leq k, \partial^\alpha f \in C_0 \forall |\alpha| \leq k-1$

$$\implies \widehat{\partial^\alpha f}(\xi) = (2\pi i \xi)^\alpha \widehat{f}(\xi)$$

Integration by parts

Pf  $n=|\alpha|=1: \widehat{f'}(\xi) = \int f'(x) e^{-2\pi i \xi \cdot x} dx = f(x) e^{-2\pi i \xi \cdot x} \Big|_a^b$

$$- \int f(x) (-2\pi i \xi) e^{-2\pi i \xi \cdot x} dx = 2\pi i \xi \widehat{f}(\xi).$$

General case, similar, induction. QED