

	\mathbb{R}^3	\mathbb{S}
	Space of Vectors (Positions)	Space of Functions $y(x+L) = y(x)$
Domain	$\vec{r} = (r_1, r_2, r_3)$ one real per $\{1, 2, 3\}$	$y(x), \eta(x), \xi(x)$ one real per $x \in (0, L)$
Dot Product	$\vec{r} \cdot \vec{s} = r_1 s_1 + r_2 s_2 + r_3 s_3$	$\eta \cdot \xi = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L \eta(x) \xi^*(x) dx$
Distance	$ \vec{r} - \vec{s} = \sqrt{(\vec{r} - \vec{s})^2}$	$\ \eta - \xi\ _2 = \sqrt{\frac{1}{L} \int_0^L \eta(x) - \xi(x) ^2 dx}$
Basis (Unit Vectors)	$\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2, \hat{x}_3$ ($\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z}$)	$\hat{f}_m = e^{ik_m x}$ $k_m = \frac{2m\pi}{L}$
Norm 1	$\hat{x}_i^2 = 1$	$\frac{1}{L} \int_0^L e^{ik_m x} e^{-ik_n x} dx = \begin{cases} 1 & m=n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
Orthogonal	$\hat{x}_i \cdot \hat{x}_j = 0$	
Coefficients	$r_n = \vec{r} \cdot \hat{x}_n$	$\tilde{\eta}_m = \eta \cdot \hat{f}_m = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L \eta(x) e^{-ik_m x} dx$
Completeness (Got all the directions)	$\vec{r} = \sum_n r_n \hat{x}_n$	$\eta(x) = \sum_m \tilde{\eta}_m \hat{f}_m(x) = \sum_m \tilde{\eta}_m e^{ik_m x}$

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Lecture 5

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X instead of t

Question 2: $\int_{-\Delta}^{\Delta} \frac{1}{x} dx \rightarrow \infty$ False

Why are the solutions cosines and sines?

Because $e^{i\omega t} = \cos \omega t + i \sin \omega t$

Why is $e^{i\omega t}$ special?

It's the eigenfunction of translations.

Translational Symmetries:

if $\eta(x, t)$ is a solution

Time Independent

Homogeneous

so is

$$T_{\Delta}(\eta) = \eta(x, t - \Delta)$$

$$R_{\Delta}(\eta) = \eta(x - \Delta, t)$$

- T_{Δ} and R_{Δ} shift functions to the right in time and space, by amount Δ
- Equations of motion respect these symmetries
- T_{Δ} and R_{Δ} are linear mappings from \mathcal{S} to \mathcal{S}

Analogy to \mathbb{R}^3 : linear mappings are

$$3 \times 3 \text{ matrices } \vec{r} \rightarrow M \cdot \vec{r} = \sum_j M_{ij} r_j$$

Eigenvectors of M are often useful $M \cdot \vec{e}_n = \lambda_n \vec{e}_n$

What are the eigenfunctions of T_Δ ?

$$T_\Delta(f_\omega) = f_\omega(t-\Delta) = \lambda_\omega f(t)$$

$$f_\omega(t) = e^{i\omega t}$$

$$f_\omega(t-\Delta) = e^{i\omega(t-\Delta)} = e^{-i\omega\Delta} f_\omega(t)$$

$$\lambda_\omega = e^{-i\omega\Delta}$$

Can we use these to prove that there are solutions of the form $\eta_\omega(x,t) = e^{i\omega t} g(x)$?

Real, imaginary parts give $\cos(\omega t)$, $\sin(\omega t)$ solutions.

Start with any solution $\eta(x,t)$.

$\eta(x,t-\Delta) = T_\Delta(\eta)$ is also a solution for all Δ .

Superimpose these solutions, dividing by λ_ω the complex

$$\eta_\omega(x,t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \eta(x,t-\Delta) / e^{-i\omega\Delta} d\Delta$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i\omega\Delta} \eta(x,t-\Delta) d\Delta \quad \begin{matrix} \xi = t-\Delta & \Delta = t-\xi \\ d\xi = -d\Delta \end{matrix}$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i\omega(t-\xi)} \eta(x,\xi) [-d\xi] \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \rightarrow \int_{\infty}^{-\infty}$$

$$= e^{i\omega t} \underbrace{\left[+ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\omega\xi} \eta(x,\xi) d\xi \right]}_{g(x) \tilde{\eta}(x,\omega)}$$

Complex version of Fourier coefficient

Similarly, for an infinite string, can prove that there are solutions e^{ikx}