

Laplace equation on a disk

PDE

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \theta^2} = 0$$

$$\theta \in [-\pi, \pi]$$

$$r \in [0, a]$$

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$$u(a, \theta) = f(\theta)$$

} not homogeneous.

$$u(r, -\pi) = u(r, \pi)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta}(r, -\pi) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta}(r, \pi)$$

} homogeneous (in θ direction)
(periodic boundary cond.)

Separation of variables

$$u(r, \theta) = \phi(\theta) G(r)$$

Superposition

$$u(r, \theta) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \phi_n(\theta) G_n(r)$$

$$\phi(\theta) = c_1 \cos \sqrt{\lambda} \theta + c_2 \sin \sqrt{\lambda} \theta$$

$$\text{with } \sqrt{\lambda} = n \quad n=1, 2, \dots$$

$$\phi(\theta) = \text{const} \quad \text{for } \lambda = 0,$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} G(r) = c_1 r^n \quad \text{for } n=1, 2, \dots \\ G(r) = c_1 \log r + c_2 \quad \text{for } \lambda=0 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\text{let } G_n(r) = r^n$$

Thus

$$u(r, \theta) = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (A_n \cos n\theta + B_n \sin n\theta) r^n$$

Now solve for A's and B's using orthogonality so that

$$u(a, \theta) = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (A_n \cos n\theta + B_n \sin n\theta) a^n = f(\theta)$$

Take "dot" product of both sides with the different θ 's.

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (A_n \cos n\theta + B_n \sin n\theta) a^n) d\theta = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(\theta) d\theta$$

$$2\pi A_0 = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(\theta) d\theta, \quad \text{so} \quad A_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(\theta) d\theta$$

Next with $\cos m\theta$...

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos m\theta (A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (A_n \cos n\theta + B_n \sin n\theta) a^n) d\theta = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos m\theta f(\theta) d\theta$$

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (\cos m\theta) (A_m \cos m\theta) a^m d\theta = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos m\theta f(\theta) d\theta$$

$$\frac{2\pi}{2} A_m a^m = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos m\theta f(\theta) d\theta$$

$$A_m = \frac{1}{a^m \pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos m\theta f(\theta) d\theta, \quad m > 0$$

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$$(n \geq 1) \quad A_n a^n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(\theta) \cos n\theta d\theta$$

$$B_n a^n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(\theta) \sin n\theta d\theta.$$

also using same technique.

Fourier Series

Given a function $f: [-L, L] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ its Fourier series is

$$a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L}.$$

where

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) dx$$

and

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

Question: Does $f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L}$?

Question: If not, how do they differ?

Question: Does the series even converge mathematically?
Do the integrals defining a 's and b 's exist?

Convergence theorem:

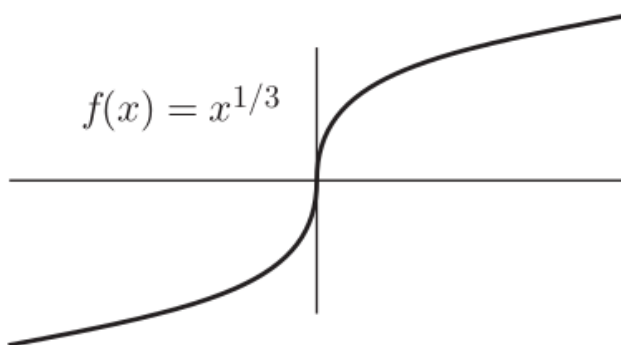
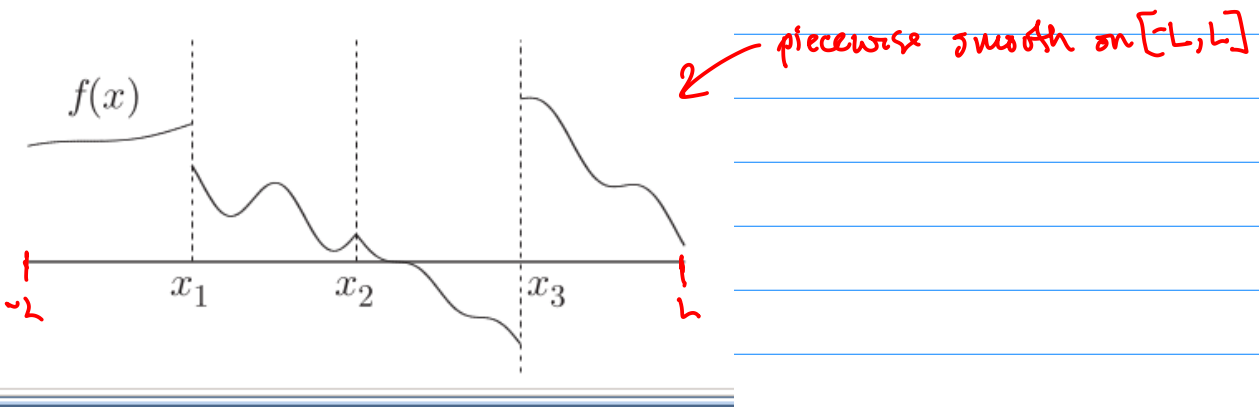
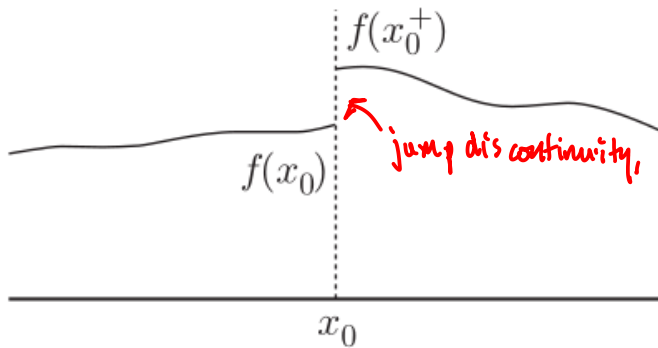
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1. to the *periodic extension* of $f(x)$, where the periodic extension is continuous;
2. to the average of the two limits, usually

$$\frac{1}{2} [f(x+) + f(x-)],$$

where the periodic extension has a *jump discontinuity*.

easily, we will discuss only functions $f(x)$ that are piecewise smooth. A function $f(x)$ is **piecewise smooth** (on some interval) if the interval can be broken up into pieces (or sections) such that in each piece the function $f(x)$ is continuous¹ and its derivative df/dx is also continuous. The function $f(x)$ may not be continuous, but the only kind of discontinuity allowed is a finite number of jump discontinuities. A function $f(x)$ has a **jump discontinuity** at a point $x = x_0$ if the limit from the left $[f(x_0^-)]$ and the limit from the right $[f(x_0^+)]$ both exist (and are *unequal*), as illustrated in Fig. 3.1.1. An example of a piecewise smooth function is sketched in Fig. 3.1.2. Note that $f(x)$ has two jump discontinuities at $x = x_1$ and at $x = x_3$. Also, $f(x)$ is continuous for $x_1 \leq x \leq x_3$, but



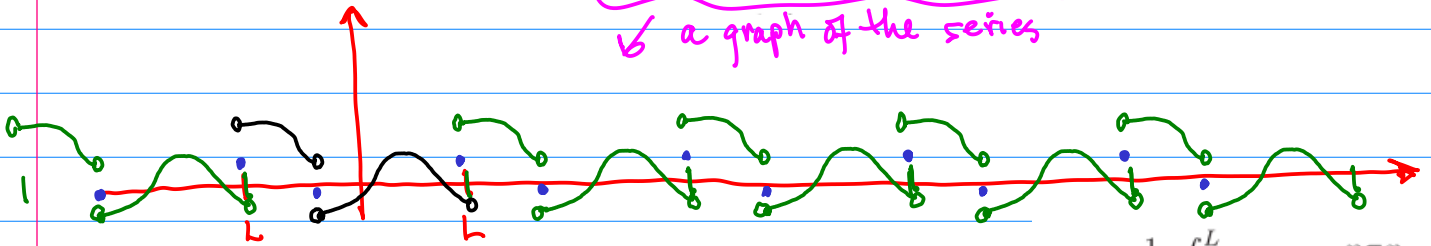
not piecewise smooth because the derivative does not exist at $x=0$.

If you try to break this up into pieces then $x=0$ has to be in one of the pieces and that's trouble...

Periodic extension:

$$a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L}$$

↳ a graph of the series

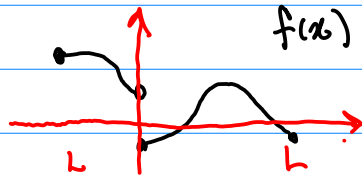


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