

Last time:

- Divergence/Gauss theorem: ( $V$  a bounded regular domain)

$$\int_V \nabla \cdot F \, dx = \int_{\partial V} F \cdot \hat{n} \, d\sigma, \quad \text{with } \hat{n} \text{ the outward pointing unit normal vector.}$$

- Stokes' theorem: ( $M$  a smooth orientable surface)

$$\int_M (\nabla \times F) \cdot \hat{n} \, d\sigma = \int_{\partial M} F \cdot dx.$$

Corollary: let  $F \in C^1(D, \mathbb{R}^3)$ ,  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  a simply connected domain. Then

$$F \text{ conservative} \Leftrightarrow \nabla \times F = 0.$$

Sketch of proof: " $\Rightarrow$ " If  $F = \nabla \phi$ , then  $\nabla \times F = \nabla \times \nabla \phi = 0$  (partial derivatives commute)

" $\Leftarrow$ " let  $\gamma$  be a closed curve. Under the stated assumptions one can show that there is a "capping surface"  $M$  s.t.  $\partial M = \gamma$ .

$$\text{Then } \int_{\gamma} F \cdot dx = \int_M (\nabla \times F) \cdot \hat{n} \, d\sigma = 0 \Rightarrow F \text{ conservative.} \quad \square$$

Examples:

- let  $F(x, y, z) = (x^3, y^3, z^3)$ . We compute the flux  $\Phi_M(F)$  through the upper hemisphere  $M := \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = R^2, z \geq 0\}$  with radius  $R > 0$ .



$$M' := \{(x, y, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x^2 + y^2 \leq R^2\} \text{ the "bottom"}$$

$M$  and  $M'$  enclose the volume  $V = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq R^2, z \geq 0\}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Then } \Phi_M(F) &:= \int_M F \cdot \hat{n} \, d\sigma = \int_{M \cup M'} F \cdot \hat{n} \, d\sigma - \int_{M'} F \cdot \hat{n} \, d\sigma \\
 &\stackrel{\text{Gauss}}{=} \int_V \operatorname{div} F \, d^3x \\
 &= 3 \int_V (x^2 + y^2 + z^2) \, d^3x \\
 &\stackrel{\text{spherical coordinates}}{=} 3 \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_0^R r^2 \cdot r^2 \sin\theta \, dr \, d\theta \, d\varphi \\
 &= 3 \cdot 2\pi \cdot 1 \cdot \frac{R^5}{5} \\
 &= \frac{6\pi}{5} R^5.
 \end{aligned}$$

$\int_{M'} F \cdot \hat{n} \, d\sigma = F \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \Big|_{z=0} = -F_3 \Big|_{z=0} = 0$

- Example for Stokes' thm.: see homework

Another application: Maxwell's equations in differential and integral form

- $V \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  a bounded volume with closed boundary  $\partial V$
- $M \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  a surface with closed boundary curve  $\partial M$
- $\rho$  = charge density,  $Q = \int_V \rho \, d^3x$  the total electric charge within  $V$
- $J$  = el. current density,  $I = \int_M J \cdot \hat{n} \, d\sigma$  the el. current passing through  $M$
- $E$  = electric field,  $B$  = magnetic field
- $c$  = speed of light

Differential version

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = 4\pi\rho$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \frac{1}{c} \left( 4\pi \mathbf{J} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} \right)$$

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Integral version

$$\int_{\partial V} \mathbf{E} \cdot \hat{n} d\mathbf{S} = 4\pi Q$$

$$\int_{\partial V} \mathbf{B} \cdot \hat{n} d\mathbf{S} = 0$$

$$\int_{\partial M} \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{x} = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{d}{dt} \int_M \mathbf{B} \cdot \hat{n} d\mathbf{S}$$

$$\int_{\partial M} \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{x} = \frac{1}{c} \left( 4\pi I + \frac{d}{dt} \int_M \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{S} \right)$$

Note:  $\frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2} = c \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \times \mathbf{B} - 4\pi \frac{\partial \mathbf{J}}{\partial t}$

$\mathbf{J} = 0$   
in vacuum  $\rightarrow = c \nabla \times \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}$

$$= -c^2 \nabla \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{E})$$

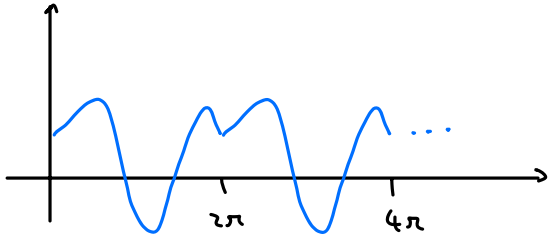
$$= -c^2 \nabla (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E}) + c^2 \nabla^2 \mathbf{E} \Rightarrow \text{In vacuum we get the wave eq. } \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{E}}{\partial t^2} - \Delta \mathbf{E} = 0$$

$(\Delta := \nabla^2 = \text{Laplace operator})$

## 4. Fourier Series

We consider  $2\pi$ -periodic functions, i.e.,  $f(x+2\pi) = f(x)$

( $L$ -periodic for any  $0 \neq L \in \mathbb{R}$  works analogously).



Fourier series: • idea: decompose functions into "pure frequencies" (e.g., signals)  
• works also for non-differentiable functions (as opposed to Taylor series)

Let us just consider one period, i.e.,  $f: [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ ,  $f(0) = f(2\pi)$ .

We assume  $f$  is Riemann-integrable on  $[0, 2\pi]$ .

Then the Fourier series of  $f$  is defined as  $F_f(x) := \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \underbrace{\hat{f}_k}_{= \cos kx + i \sin kx} e^{ikx}$ .  
 $\hat{f}_k$  = Fourier coefficients

Note:  $e_k(x) := e^{ikx}$  plays the role of a basis function.

Let us introduce the inner product  $\langle f, g \rangle := \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \overline{f(x)} g(x) dx$  and norm  $\|f\| = \sqrt{\langle f, f \rangle}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \langle e_j, e_k \rangle &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \overline{e_j(x)} e_k(x) dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{-ijx} e^{ikx} dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} \begin{cases} \frac{1}{i(k-j)} e^{i(k-j)x} \Big|_0^{2\pi} = 0 & k \neq j \\ 2\pi & k = j \end{cases} \\ &= \underbrace{\delta_{jk}}_{\text{Kronecker delta}} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } j = k \\ 0 & \text{if } j \neq k \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Now assuming  $F_f(x)$  converges uniformly to  $f(x)$ , we have

$$\langle e_{j_i}, f \rangle = \langle e_{j_i}, \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}_k e_k \rangle = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}_k \underbrace{\langle e_{j_i}, e_k \rangle}_{\delta_{jk}} = \hat{f}_j.$$

*uniform convergence*      *uniform convergence*

So far we know: If  $f(x) := \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}_k e^{ikx}$  is uniformly convergent, then  $\hat{f}_k = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{-ikx} f(x) dx$ .

But we can define  $\hat{f}_k$  for any Riemann integrable  $f$ .

So generally, we define the Fourier transform of  $f$  as  $\hat{f}_k := \langle e_k, f \rangle = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{-ikx} f(x) dx$ .

Question for next time:

Does  $\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}_k e^{ikx}$  always converge to  $f(x)$ , and if yes, in what sense?