

# Agenda

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- **INTERPOLATION** is a way of determining an expansion of a function  $u$  in terms of some **ORTHONORMAL BASIS FUNCTIONS** alternative to Galerkin spectral projections
- Assuming that  $S_N = \text{span}\{e^{i0k}, \dots, e^{\pm iNx}\}$ , we can determine an **INTERPOLANT**  $v \in S_N$  of  $u$ , such that  $v$  coincides with  $u$  at  $2N + 1$  points  $\{x_j\}_{|j| \leq N}$  defined by

$$x_j = jh, \quad |j| \leq N, \quad \text{where} \quad h = \frac{2\pi}{2N + 1}$$

- For the interpolant we set  $v(x) = \sum_{|k| \leq N} a_k e^{ikx}$  where the coefficients  $a_k$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, N$  can be determined by solving the algebraic system

$$\sum_{|k| \leq N} e^{ikx_j} a_k = u(x_j), \quad |j| \leq N$$

with the matrix  $\mathbb{A}_{kj} = e^{ikx_j}$ ,  $k, j = -N, \dots, N$

- The system can be rewritten as

$$\sum_{|k| \leq N} W^{jk} a_k = u(x_j), \quad |j| \leq N$$

where  $W = e^{ih} = e^{\frac{2i\pi}{2N+1}}$  is the principal root of order  $(2N+1)$  of unity (since  $W^{jk} = (e^{ih})^{jk}$ )

## Theorem

The matrix  $[\mathbb{W}]_{jk} = W^{jk}$  is **unitary**, i.e.  $\mathbb{W}^T \overline{\mathbb{W}} = \mathbb{I}(2N+1)$

## Proof.

Examine the expression

$$\frac{1}{2N+1} \mathbb{W}^T \overline{\mathbb{W}} = \mathbb{I} \implies \frac{1}{2N+1} \sum_{|j| \leq N} W^{jk} W^{-jl} = \delta_{kl}$$

- If  $k = l$ , then  $W^{jk} W^{-jl} = W^{j(k-l)} = W^0 = 1$
- If  $k \neq l$ , define  $\omega = W^{k-l}$ , then

$$\frac{1}{2N+1} \sum_{|j| \leq N} W^{jk} W^{-jl} = \frac{1}{2N+1} \sum_{|j| \leq N} \omega^j = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{j'=0}^{M-1} \omega^{j'}$$

where  $M = 2N + 1$ ,  $j' = j$  if  $0 \leq j \leq N$  and  $j' = j + M$  if  $-N \leq j < 0$ , so that  $\omega^{j+M} = \omega^{j'}$ . The proof is completed by using the expression for the sum of a finite geometric series

$$(1 - \omega) \sum_{j'=0}^{M-1} \omega^{j'} = 1 - \omega^M = 0.$$

- ▶ Since the matrix  $\mathbb{W}$  is unitary and hence its **INVERSE** is given by its **TRANSPOSE**, the Fourier coefficients of the **INTERPOLANT** of  $u$  in  $S_N$  can be calculated as follows:

$$a_k = \frac{1}{2N+1} \sum_{|j| \leq N} z_j W^{-jk}, \text{ where } z_j = u(x_j)$$

- ▶ The mapping

$$\{z_j\}_{|j| \leq N} \longrightarrow \{a_k\}_{|k| \leq N}$$

is referred to as **DISCRETE FOURIER TRANSFORM (DFT)**

- ▶ Straightforward evaluation of the expressions for  $a_k$ ,  $k = -N, \dots, N$  (matrix–vector products) would result in the computational cost  $\mathcal{O}(N^2)$ ; clever factorization of this operation, known as the **FAST FOURIER TRANSFORMS (FFT)**, reduces this cost down to  $\mathcal{O}(N \log(N))$
- ▶ See [www.fftw.org](http://www.fftw.org) for one of the best publicly available implementations of the FFT.

- ▶ Let  $P_C : C_p^0(I) \rightarrow S_N$  be the mapping which associates with  $u$  its interpolant  $v \in S_N$ . Let  $(\cdot, \cdot)_N$  be the **GAUSSIAN QUADRATURE** approximation of the inner product  $(\cdot, \cdot)$

$$(u, v) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} u \bar{v} \, dx \cong \frac{1}{2N+1} \sum_{|j| \leq N} u(x_j) \bar{v(x_j)} \triangleq (u, v)_N$$

- ▶ By construction, the operator  $P_C$  satisfies:

$$(P_C u)(x_j) = u(x_j), \quad |j| \leq N$$

and therefore also (orthogonality of the defect to  $S_N$ )

$$(u - P_C u, v_N)_N = 0, \quad \forall v_N \in S_N$$

- ▶ By the definition of  $P_N$  we have

$$(u - P_N u, v_N)_N = 0, \quad \forall v_N \in S_N$$

- ▶ Thus,  $P_C u(x) = \sum_{k=-N}^N (u, e^{ikx})_N e^{ikx}$  can be obtained analogously to  $P_N u(x) = \sum_{k=-N}^N (u, e^{ikx}) e^{ikx}$  by replacing the scalar product  $(\cdot, \cdot)$  with the **DISCRETE SCALAR PRODUCT**  $(\cdot, \cdot)_N$

## Corollary

Thus, the **INTERPOLATION COEFFICIENTS**  $a_k$  are equivalent to the **FOURIER SPECTRAL COEFFICIENTS**  $\hat{u}_k$  when the latter are evaluated using the **GAUSSIAN QUADRATURES**.

## Theorem

The two scalar products coincide on  $S_N$ , i.e.

$$(u_N, v_N) = (u_N, v_N)_N, \quad \forall u_N, v_N \in S_N,$$

hence for  $u \in S_N$ ,  $\hat{u}_k = a_k$ ,  $k = -N, \dots, N$ .

## Proof.

Examine the numerical integration formula  $\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx \cong \frac{1}{2N+1} \sum_{|j| \leq N} f(x_j)$ ; then for every  $f = \sum_{k=-2N}^{2N} \hat{u}_k e^{ikx} \in S_{2N}$  we have

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{ikx} dx = \frac{1}{2N+1} \sum_{|j| \leq N} e^{ikx_j} = \frac{1}{2N+1} \sum_{|j| \leq N} W^{jk} = \begin{cases} 1 & k = 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}, \quad k = 0, \dots, 2N$$

Thus, for the uniform distribution of  $x_j$ , the Gaussian (trapezoidal) formula is **EXACT** for  $f \in S_{2N}$ . □

Relation between Fourier coefficients  $\hat{u}_k$  of a function  $u(x)$  and Fourier coefficients  $a_k$  of its interpolant; assume that  $u(x) \notin S_N$

$$\hat{u}_k = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} u \overline{W}_k \, dx, \quad W_k(x) = e^{ikx}$$
$$a_k = \frac{1}{2N+1} \sum_{|j| \leq N} u(x_j) \overline{W_k(x_j)}$$

## Theorem

For  $u \in C_p^0(I)$  we have the relation

$$a_k = \sum_{l \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{u}_{k+IM}, \quad \text{where } M = 2N + 1$$

## Proof.

Consider the set of basis functions (in  $L_2(I)$ )  $U_k = e^{ikx}$ . We have:

$$(U_k, U_n)_N = \frac{1}{2N+1} \sum_{|j| \leq N} U_k(x_j) \overline{U_n(x_j)} = \frac{1}{2N+1} \sum_{|j| \leq N} W^{j(k-n)} = \begin{cases} 1 & k = n \pmod{M} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Since  $P_C u = \sum_{|j| \leq N} a_j W_j$ , we infer from  $(P_C u, W_k)_N = (u, W_k)_N$  that

$$a_k = (P_C u, W_k)_N = (u, W_k)_N = \left( \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{u}_n W_n, W_k \right)_N = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{u}_n (W_n, W_k)_N = \sum_{l \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{u}_{k+IM}$$

□

► Thus

$$u(x_j) = v(x_j) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{u}_k e^{ikx_j} = \sum_{|k| \leq N} a_k e^{ikx_j} = \sum_{|k| \leq N} \left( \hat{u}_k + \sum_{l \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}} \hat{u}_{k+IM} \right) e^{ikx_j}$$

Corollary (Extremely Important Corollary Concerning Interpolation)

two trigonometric polynomials  $e^{ik_1 x}$  and  $e^{ik_2 x}$  with different frequencies  $k_1$  and  $k_2$  are equal at the collocation points  $x_j$ ,  $|j| \leq N$  when

$$k_2 - k_1 = l(2N + 1), \quad l = 0, \pm 1, \dots$$

Therefore, given a set of values at the collocation points  $x_j$ ,  $|j| \leq N$ , it is impossible to distinguish between  $e^{ik_1 x}$  and  $e^{ik_2 x}$ . This phenomenon is referred to as ALIASING .

Note, however, that the modes appearing in the alias term correspond to frequencies larger than the cut-off frequency  $N$ .

## Theorem (Error Estimates in $H_p^s(I)$ )

Suppose  $s \leq r$ ,  $r > \frac{1}{2}$  are given, then there exists a constant  $C$  such that if  $u \in H_p^r(I)$ , we have

$$\|u - P_C u\|_s \leq C(1 + N^2)^{\frac{s-r}{2}} \|u\|_r$$

### Outline of the proof.

Note that  $P_C$  leaves  $S_N$  invariant, therefore  $P_C P_N = P_N$  and we may thus write

$$u - P_C u = u - P_N u + P_C(P_N - I)u$$

Setting  $w = (I - P_N)u$  and using the “triangle inequality” we obtain

$$\|u - P_C u\|_s \leq \|u - P_N u\|_s + \|P_C w\|_s$$

- ▶ The term  $\|u - P_N u\|_s$  is upper-bounded using an earlier theorem
- ▶ Need to estimate  $\|P_C w\|_s$  — straightforward, but tedious ...



- ▶ Until now, we defined the Discrete Fourier Transform for an **ODD** number  $(2N + 1)$  of grid points
- ▶ FFT algorithms generally require an **EVEN** number of grid points
- ▶ We can define the discrete transform for an **EVEN** number of grid points by constructing the interpolant in the space  $\tilde{S}_N$  for which we have  $\dim(\tilde{S}_N) = 2N$ . To do this we choose:

$$\tilde{x}_j = j\tilde{h}, \quad -N + 1 \leq j \leq N, \quad \tilde{h} = \frac{\pi}{N}$$

- ▶ All results presented before can be established in the case with  $2N$  grid points with only minor modifications
- ▶ However, now the  $N$ -th Fourier mode  $\hat{u}_N$  does not have its complex conjugate! This coefficient is usually set to zero ( $\hat{u}_N = 0$ ) to avoid an uncompensated imaginary contribution resulting from differentiation
- ▶ **ODD** or **EVEN** collocation depending on whether  $M = 2N + 1$  or  $M = 2N$

- ▶ Before we focused on representing the **INTERPOLANT** as a Fourier series  $v(x_j) = \sum_{k=-N}^N a_k e^{ikx_j}$
- ▶ Alternatively, we can represent the **INTERPOLANT** using the nodal values as (assuming, for the moment, infinite domain  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ )

$$v(x) = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} u(x_j) C_j(x),$$

where  $C_j(x)$  is a **CARDINAL FUNCTION** with the property that  $C_j(x_i) = \delta_{ij}$  (i.e., generalization of the **LAGRANGE POLYNOMIAL** for infinite domain)

- ▶ In an infinite domain we have the **WHITTAKER CARDINAL** or **SINC** function

$$C_k(x) = \frac{\sin[\pi(x - kh)/h]}{\pi(x - kh)/h} = \text{sinc}[(x - kh)/h],$$

where  $\text{sinc}(x) = \frac{\sin(\pi x)}{\pi x}$

Proof.

The Fourier transform of  $\delta_{j0}$  is  $\hat{\delta}(k) = h$  for all  $k \in [-\pi/h, \pi/h]$ ; hence, the interpolant of  $\delta_{j0}$  is  $v(x) = \frac{h}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi/h}^{\pi/h} e^{ikx} dk = \frac{\sin(\pi x/h)}{\pi x/h}$  □

- ▶ Thus, the spectral interpolant of a function in an **INFINITE** domain is a linear combination of **WHITTAKER CARDINAL** functions
- ▶ In a **PERIODIC DOMAIN** we still have the representation

$$v(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} u(x_j) S_j(x),$$

but now the **CARDINAL FUNCTIONS** have the form

$$S_j(x) = \frac{1}{N} \sin \left[ \frac{N(x - x_j)}{2} \right] \cot \left[ \frac{(x - x_j)}{2} \right]$$

- ▶ Proof — similar to the previous (unbounded) case, except that now the interpolant is given by a **DISCRETE** Fourier Transform
- ▶ The relationship between the Cardinal Functions corresponding to the **PERIODIC** and **UNBOUNDED** domains

$$S_0(x) = \frac{1}{2N} \sin(Nx) \cot(x/2) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \text{sinc} \left( \frac{x - 2\pi m}{h} \right)$$

- ▶ Two ways to calculate the derivative  $w(x_j) = u'(x_j)$  based on the values  $u(x_j)$ , where  $0 \leq j \leq 2N + 1$ ; denote  $U = [u_0, \dots, u_{2N+1}]^T$  and  $U' = [u'_0, \dots, u'_{2N+1}]^T$
- ▶ **METHOD ONE** — approach based on differentiation in Fourier space:
  - ▶ calculate the vector of Fourier coefficients  $\hat{U} = \mathbb{T}U$
  - ▶ apply the diagonal differentiation matrix  $\hat{U}' = \hat{\mathbb{D}}\hat{U}$
  - ▶ return to real space via inverse Fourier transform  $U = \mathbb{T}^T \hat{U}$
- ▶ **REMARK** — formally we can write

$$U' = \mathbb{T}^T \hat{\mathbb{D}} \mathbb{T} U,$$

however in practice matrix operations are replaced by FFTs

► **METHOD TWO** — approach based on differentiation (in real space) of the interpolant  $u'(x) = v'(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} u(x_j) S'_j(x)$ , where the cardinal function has the following derivatives

$$S'_j(x_k) = \begin{cases} 0, & j = k \\ \frac{1}{2}(-1)^{k+j} \cot\left[\frac{(k-j)h}{2}\right], & j \neq k \end{cases}$$

► Thus, since the interpolant is a linear combination of shifted Cardinal Functions, the differentiation matrix has the form of a **TOEPLITZ CIRCULANT** matrix

$$\mathbb{D} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & & & & -\frac{1}{2} \cot[(1h)/2] \\ -\frac{1}{2} \cot[(1h)/2] & \ddots & & & \frac{1}{2} \cot[(2h)/2] \\ \frac{1}{2} \cot[(2h)/2] & & \ddots & & -\frac{1}{2} \cot[(3h)/2] \\ -\frac{1}{2} \cot[(3h)/2] & & & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & & & & \frac{1}{2} \cot[(1h)/2] \\ \frac{1}{2} \cot[(1h)/2] & & & & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

► Higher-order derivatives obtained calculating  $S^{(p)}(x_j)$

- We are interested in a **PARTIAL DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION** (a boundary value problem) of the general form  $\mathcal{L}u = f$
- We will look for solutions in the form:

$$\begin{aligned}u_N(x) &= \sum_{|k| \leq N} \hat{u}_k e^{ikx}, \\&= \sum_{j=1}^{2N+1} u(x_j) S_j(x),\end{aligned}$$

where  $S_j(x)$  is the periodic cardinal function centered at  $x_j$

- For the above model problem we will analyze:
  - spectral Galerkin method
  - spectral Collocation method
    - variant with the **FOURIER COEFFICIENTS**  $\hat{u}_k$  as the unknowns
    - variant with the **NODAL VALUES**  $u(x_j)$  as the unknowns

- ▶ Consider the following 1D second-order elliptic problem in a periodic domain  $\Omega = [0, 2\pi]$

$$\mathcal{L}u \triangleq \nu u'' - au' + bu = f,$$

where  $\nu$ ,  $a$  and  $b$  are constant and  $f = f(x)$  is a smooth  $2\pi$ -periodic function.

- ▶ For  $\nu = 10$ ,  $a = 1$ ,  $b = 5$  and the RHS function

$$f(x) = e^{\sin(x)} [\nu(\cos^2(x) - \sin(x)) - a \cos(x) + b]$$

the solution is

$$u(x) = e^{\sin(x)}$$

- ▶ For the **GALERKIN** approach we are interested in  $2\pi$ -periodic solutions in the form

$$u_N(x) = \sum_{|k| \leq N} \hat{u}_k e^{ikx}$$

## ► RESIDUAL

$$R_N(x) = \mathcal{L}u_N - f = \sum_{|k| \leq N} \hat{u}_k \mathcal{L}e^{ikx} - f$$

► Cancellation of the residual in the mean (setting the projections on the basis functions  $W_n(x) = e^{inx}$  equal to zero)

$$(R_N, W_n) = \sum_{k=-N}^N \hat{u}_k (\mathcal{L}e^{ikx}, e^{inx}) - (f, e^{inx}) = 0, \quad n = -N, \dots, N$$

► Noting that  $\mathcal{L}e^{ikx} = (-\nu k^2 - iak + b)e^{ikx} \triangleq \mathcal{G}_k e^{ikx}$  we obtain

$$\sum_{k=-N}^N \mathcal{G}_k \hat{u}_k \int_0^{2\pi} e^{i(k-n)} dx = \hat{f}_n, \quad n = -N, \dots, N$$

- ▶ Assuming  $\mathcal{G}_k \neq 0$ , we obtain the **GALERKIN EQUATIONS** for  $\hat{u}_k$

$$\mathcal{G}_k \hat{u}_k = \hat{f}_k, \quad k = -N, \dots, N$$

- ▶ The Galerkin equations are **DECOUPLED**
- ▶ Since  $u$  is real, it is necessary to calculate  $\hat{u}_k$  for  $k \geq 0$  only

► **RESIDUAL** (with the expansion coefficients  $\hat{u}_k$  as unknowns)

$$R_N(x) = \mathcal{L}u_N - f = \sum_{|k| \leq N} \hat{u}_k \mathcal{L}e^{ikx} - f$$

► Cancelling the residual pointwise at the collocation points  $x_j$ ,  
 $j = 1, \dots, M$

$$\sum_{k=-N}^N (\mathcal{G}_k \hat{u}_k - \tilde{f}_k) e^{ikx_j} = 0, \quad j = 1, \dots, M$$

where (note the **ALIASING ERROR** )  $\tilde{f}_k = \hat{f}_k + \sum_{l \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}} \hat{f}_{k+IM}$

► Thus, the **COLLOCATION EQUATIONS** for the Fourier coefficients

$$\mathcal{G}_k \hat{u}_k = \tilde{f}_k = \hat{f}_k + \sum_{l \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}} \hat{f}_{k+IM}, \quad k = -N, \dots, N$$

► Formally, the **GALERKIN** and **COLLOCATION** methods are **DISTINCT**

► In practice, the projection  $(f, e^{ikx})$  is evaluated using FFT and therefore also involves aliasing errors. Therefore, for the present problem, the two approaches are **NUMERICALLY EQUIVALENT** .

- **RESIDUAL** (with the nodal values  $u_N(x_j)$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, M$ , as unknowns)

$$R_N(x) = \mathcal{L}u_N - f$$

- Cancelling the residual pointwise at the collocation points  $x_j$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, M$

$$[R_N(x_1), \dots, R_N(x_M)]^T = \mathbb{L}U_N - F = (\nu\mathbb{D}_2 - a\mathbb{D}_1 + b\mathbb{I})U_N - F = 0,$$

where  $U_N = [u_N(x_1), \dots, u_N(x_M)]^T$  and  $\mathbb{D}_1$  and  $\mathbb{D}_2$  are the differentiation matrices.

- Derivation of the **DIFFERENTIATION MATRICES**

$$\left. \begin{aligned} u_N^{(p)}(x_j) &= \sum_k (ik)^p \hat{u}_k e^{ikx_j} \\ \hat{u}_k &= \frac{1}{M} \sum_{j=1}^M u_N(x_j) e^{-ikx_j} \end{aligned} \right\} \implies u_N^{(p)}(x_i) = \sum_{j=1}^M d_{ij}^{(p)} u_N(x_j)$$

- ▶ Differentiation Matrices (for even collocation, i.e.,  $I_N = -N + 1, \dots, N$  and  $M = 2N$ ) with  $h_{ij} = (i - j)\pi/N$

$$d_{ij}^{(1)} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}(-1)^{i+j} \cot(h_{ij}) & \text{if } i \neq j \\ 0 & \text{if } i = j \end{cases}, \quad d_{ij}^{(2)} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4}(-1)^{i+j}N + \frac{(-1)^{i+j+1}}{2\sin^2(h_{ij})} & \text{if } i \neq j \\ -\frac{(N-1)(N-2)}{12} & \text{if } i = j \end{cases}$$

- ▶ Remarks:
  - ▶ The differentiation matrices are full (and not so well-conditioned ...), so the system of equations for  $u_N(x_j)$  is now **COUPLED**
  - ▶ For constant coefficient PDEs the present approach is therefore inferior to the first collocation approach with the Fourier coefficients used as unknowns
  - ▶ Note the relationship to the banded matrices obtained when approximating differential operators using finite differences
- ▶ **QUESTION** — Derive the above differentiation matrices, also for the case of odd collocation

# Nyquist-Shannon Sampling Theorem

- ▶ If a periodic function  $f(x)$  has a Fourier transform  $\hat{f}_k = 0$  for  $|k| > M$ , then it is completely determined by providing the function values at a series of points spaced  $\Delta x = \frac{1}{2M}$  apart. The values  $f_n = f(\frac{n}{2M})$  are called the **SAMPLES OF  $f(x)$**  .
- ▶ The minimum sampling frequency that allows for reconstruction of the original signal, that is  $2M$  samples per unit distance, is known as the **NYQUIST FREQUENCY** . The time in between samples is called the **NYQUIST INTERVAL** .
- ▶ The **NYQUIST-SHANNON SAMPLING THEOREM** is a fundamental tenet in the field of **INFORMATION THEORY** (originally formulated by Nyquist in 1928, but formally proved by Shannon only in 1949)

