



FOURIER SERIES

1) Even Function

If $f(-x) = f(x)$ then $f(x)$ is said to be even function.

eg. $\cos x$, x^2 , $|x|$, $|\sin x|$

2) Odd Function

If $f(-x) = -f(x)$ then $f(x)$ is said to be odd function.

eg. $\sin x$, x , x^3

Note - $f(x) = e^x$ is neither even nor odd function.
(as $f(-x) = e^{-x} \neq f(x)$ & $\neq -f(x)$)

$$\begin{aligned} 3) \int_{-a}^a f(x) dx &= 2 \int_0^a f(x) dx && \text{— if } f(x) \text{ is even} \\ &= 0 && \text{— if } f(x) \text{ is odd} \end{aligned}$$

$$4) f(x) = f_1(x) \cdot f_2(x)$$

$f_1(x)$	E	O	E	O
$f_2(x)$	E	O	O	E
$f(x) = f_1(x) \cdot f_2(x)$	E	E	O	O

5) If n is integer

$$\sin n\pi = 0 \quad \therefore \sin 2n\pi = 0$$

$$\cos n\pi = (-1)^n \quad \therefore \cos 2n\pi = 1$$

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- Dirichlet's Conditions :

If $f(x)$ is defined in the interval $c_1 \leq x \leq c_2$ can be expressed as Fourier series if in the interval

- 1) $f(x)$ and its integrals are finite and single valued.
- 2) $f(x)$ has finite number of discontinuities.
- 3) $f(x)$ has finite number of maxima and minima.

These conditions are known as Dirichlet's Conditions.

- Determination of Fourier Co-efficients
(Euler's Formulae)

1) If $f(x)$ is defined in interval $(c, c+2l)$, then Fourier Series of $f(x)$ is given by,

$$f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right)$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{l} \int_c^{c+2l} f(x) dx$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{l} \int_c^{c+2l} f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) dx$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{l} \int_c^{c+2l} f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) dx$$

- Parseval's Identity

If $f(x)$ is defined in interval $(c, c+2l)$ then by Parseval's Identity

$$\frac{1}{l} \int_c^{c+2l} [f(x)]^2 dx = \frac{a_0^2}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n^2 + b_n^2)$$

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2) If $f(x)$ is defined in interval $(-l, l)$, then we can check $f(x)$ is even or odd.

Case 1:-

If $f(x)$ is even $\Rightarrow b_n = 0$,
then Fourier series of $f(x)$ is given by

$$f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right)$$

$$a_0 = \frac{2}{l} \int_0^l f(x) dx$$

$$a_n = \frac{2}{l} \int_0^l f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) dx$$

Hence,

Parseval's Identity is

$$\frac{2}{l} \int_0^l [f(x)]^2 dx = \frac{a_0^2}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n^2$$

Case 2:-

If $f(x)$ is odd $\Rightarrow a_0 = 0, a_n = 0$

then Fourier series of $f(x)$ is given by,

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right)$$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{l} \int_0^l f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) dx$$

Hence,

Parseval's Identity is

$$\frac{2}{l} \int_0^l [f(x)]^2 dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n^2$$

Note:-

If $f(x)$ is neither even nor odd then we have to use formulae written in \triangleright



3) Half Range Series

1. Half Range Series of $f(x)$ is defined on interval $(0, l)$

1) Half Range Cosine Series

Here, $b_n = 0$

$$\therefore f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right)$$

$$a_0 = \frac{2}{l} \int_0^l f(x) dx$$

$$a_n = \frac{2}{l} \int_0^l f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) dx$$

\therefore Hence, Parseval's Identity

$$\frac{2}{l} \int_0^l [f(x)]^2 dx = \frac{a_0^2}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n^2$$

2) Half Range Sine Series

Here, $a_0 = 0$ & $a_n = 0$

$$\therefore f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right)$$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{l} \int_0^l f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) dx$$

Hence, Parseval's Identity

$$\frac{2}{l} \int_0^l [f(x)]^2 dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n^2$$

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Problems :-

1) Find Fourier series of $f(x) = x^2$ in $(0, 2\pi)$.

$$\text{Hence find } \frac{\pi^2}{12} = \frac{1}{1^2} - \frac{1}{2^2} + \dots$$

Soln Comparing with $(c, c+2l)$

$$\therefore (c, c+2l) = (0, 2\pi)$$

$$\Rightarrow c=0 \text{ \& } c+2l=2\pi \Rightarrow 0+2l=2\pi \Rightarrow \boxed{l=\pi}$$

As,

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \\ &= \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin nx \quad \text{--- 1)} \end{aligned}$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{l} \int_c^{c+2l} f(x) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} x^2 dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[\frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^{2\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left(\frac{8\pi^3}{3} \right) = \frac{8\pi^2}{3}$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{l} \int_c^{c+2l} f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} x^2 \cos nx dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[x^2 \left(\frac{\sin nx}{n} \right) - (2x) \left(\frac{-\cos nx}{n^2} \right) + 2 \left(\frac{-\sin nx}{n^3} \right) \right]_0^{2\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[0 - 4\pi \left(\frac{-\cos 2n\pi}{n^2} \right) + 0 - 0 + 0 - 0 \right]$$

$$\text{--- } \because \sin 2n\pi = 0$$



$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[\frac{4\pi}{n^2} \right]$$

$$a_n = \frac{4}{n^2}$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_c^{c+2\pi} f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} x^2 \sin nx \, dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[x^2 \left(\frac{-\cos nx}{n} \right) - (2x) \left(\frac{-\sin nx}{n^2} \right) + 2 \left(\frac{+\cos nx}{n^3} \right) \right]_0^{2\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[4\pi^2 \left(\frac{-\cos 2n\pi}{n} \right) - 0 + 2 \left(\frac{\cos 2n\pi}{n^3} \right) - 0 + 0 - 2 \left(\frac{1}{n^3} \right) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[-4\pi^2 \left(\frac{1}{n} \right) + 2 \left(\frac{1}{n^3} \right) - 2 \left(\frac{1}{n^3} \right) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \times \frac{-4\pi^2}{n}$$

$$= -\frac{4\pi}{n}$$

\therefore From (1)

$$f(x) = \frac{4\pi^2}{3 \times 2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{n^2} \cos nx + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(-\frac{4\pi}{n} \right) \sin nx$$

$$x^2 = \frac{4\pi^2}{3} + 4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos nx}{n^2} + (-4\pi) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin nx}{n}$$

$$x^2 = \frac{4\pi^2}{3} + 4 \left(\frac{\cos x}{1^2} + \frac{\cos 2x}{2^2} + \dots \right) - 4\pi \left(\frac{\sin x}{1} + \frac{\sin 2x}{2} + \dots \right)$$

put $x = \pi$, we get

$$\pi^2 = \frac{4\pi^2}{3} + 4 \left(\frac{\cos \pi}{1^2} + \frac{\cos 2\pi}{2^2} + \dots \right) - 4\pi (0) \quad \because \sin n\pi = 0$$

$$\pi^2 - \frac{4\pi^2}{3} = 4 \left(\frac{-1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{-1}{3^2} + \dots \right)$$



$$\therefore -\frac{\pi^2}{3} = -4 \left(\frac{1}{1^2} - \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} - \dots \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\pi^2}{3 \times 4} = \frac{1}{1^2} - \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} - \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\pi^2}{12} = \frac{1}{1^2} - \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} - \dots$$

2) Find Fourier Series of $f(x) = \left(\frac{\pi - x}{2} \right)^2$ $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$

Hence prove that,

$$1) \frac{\pi^2}{6} = \frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \dots$$

$$2) \frac{\pi^2}{12} = \frac{1}{1^2} - \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} - \dots$$

$$3) \frac{\pi^2}{8} = \frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \dots$$

$$4) \frac{\pi^4}{90} = \frac{1}{1^4} + \frac{1}{2^4} + \frac{1}{3^4} + \dots$$

Soln $(c, c+2l) = (0, 2\pi)$

$$\therefore c=0 \text{ \& } c+2l=2\pi \Rightarrow 2l=2\pi \Rightarrow \boxed{l=\pi}$$

As

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \\ &= \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin nx \quad \text{--- (1)} \end{aligned}$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2} \int_c^{c+2l} f(x) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left(\frac{\pi - x}{2} \right)^2 dx$$

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$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} (\pi - x)^2 dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[\frac{(\pi - x)^3}{3(-1)} \right]_0^{2\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[\frac{(-\pi)^3}{-3} - \frac{\pi^3}{-3} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[\frac{+\pi^3}{+3} + \frac{\pi^3}{3} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[\frac{2\pi^3}{3} \right]$$

$$= \frac{\pi^2}{6}$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_c^{c+2L} f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left(\frac{\pi - x}{2}\right)^2 \cos nx \, dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} (\pi - x)^2 \cos nx \, dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[(\pi - x)^2 \left(\frac{\sin nx}{n} \right) - [2(\pi - x)(-1)] \left(\frac{-\cos nx}{n^2} \right) + [2(-1)(-1)] \left(\frac{-\sin nx}{n^3} \right) \right]_0^{2\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[(-\pi)^2 (0) - [2(-\pi)(-1)] \left(\frac{-\cos 2n\pi}{n^2} \right) + 0 - 0 + 2(\pi)(-1) \left(\frac{-\cos(0)}{n^2} \right) - 0 \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[2\pi \left(\frac{1}{n^2} \right) + 2\pi \left(\frac{1}{n^2} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{4\pi}{n^2}$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{n^2}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 b_n &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right) dx \\
 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \sin nx \, dx \\
 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left(\frac{\pi-x}{2}\right)^2 \sin nx \, dx \\
 &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} (\pi-x)^2 \sin nx \, dx \\
 &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[(\pi-x)^2 \left(-\frac{\cos nx}{n}\right) - \left[2(\pi-x)(-1)\right] \left(-\frac{\sin nx}{n^2}\right) + \left[2(-1)(-1)\right] \left(\frac{\cos nx}{n^3}\right) \right]_0^{2\pi} \\
 &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[(\pi-2\pi)^2 \left(-\frac{\cos 2n\pi}{n}\right) - 0 + 2(\cos 2n\pi) - \pi^2 \left(-\frac{1}{n}\right) + 0 - 2 \left(\frac{1}{n^3}\right) \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[\pi^2 \left(-\frac{1}{n}\right) + \frac{2}{n^3} + \pi^2 \left(\frac{1}{n}\right) - \frac{2}{n^3} \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[-\frac{\pi^2}{n} + \frac{\pi^2}{n} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$b_n = 0$$

\therefore from (1)

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) &= \frac{\pi^2}{6 \times 2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \cos nx + 0 \\
 &= \frac{\pi^2}{12} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos nx}{n^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{\pi^2}{12} + \left(\frac{\cos x}{1^2} + \frac{\cos 2x}{2^2} + \frac{\cos 3x}{3^2} + \dots \right) \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

put $x=0$ in (2)

$$\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{\pi^2}{12} + \frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \dots$$

$$\frac{\pi^2}{4} - \frac{\pi^2}{12} = \frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \dots$$

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$$\frac{3\pi^2 - \pi^2}{12} = \frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \dots$$

$$\frac{2\pi^2}{12 \cdot 6} = \frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \dots$$

$$\frac{\pi^2}{6} = \frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \dots \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

put $x = \pi$ in (2) we get,

$$0 = \frac{\pi^2}{12} + \frac{\cos \pi}{1^2} + \frac{\cos 2\pi}{2^2} + \frac{\cos 3\pi}{3^2} + \dots$$

$$-\frac{\pi^2}{12} = \frac{(-1)}{1^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{(-1)}{3^2} + \dots$$

$$-\frac{\pi^2}{12} = -\left(\frac{1}{1^2} - \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} - \dots\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\pi^2}{12} = \frac{1}{1^2} - \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} - \dots \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

(3) + (4) gives us,

$$\frac{\pi^2}{6} + \frac{\pi^2}{12} = \left(\frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \dots\right) + \left(\frac{1}{1^2} - \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} - \dots\right)$$

$$\frac{2\pi^2 + \pi^2}{12} = \frac{2}{1^2} + \frac{2}{3^2} + \dots$$

$$\frac{3\pi^2}{12 \cdot 4} = 2 \left(\frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \dots \right)$$

$$\frac{\pi^2}{8} = \frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \dots \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

To prove last series we will use Parseval's Identity which is as follows

$$\frac{1}{L-C} \int_C^{C+2L} [f(x)]^2 dx = \frac{a_0^2}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n^2 + b_n^2)$$



$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left[\left(\frac{\pi-x}{2} \right)^2 \right]^2 dx = \frac{\left(\frac{\pi^2}{2} \right)^2}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[\left(\frac{1}{n^2} \right)^2 + 0 \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left(\frac{\pi-x}{2} \right)^4 dx = \frac{\pi^4}{36 \times 2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2^4 \pi} \int_0^{2\pi} (\pi-x)^4 dx = \frac{\pi^4}{72} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{16\pi} \left[\frac{(\pi-x)^5}{5(-1)} \right]_0^{2\pi} = \frac{\pi^4}{72} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{16\pi} \left[\frac{(-\pi)^5}{-5} - \frac{\pi^5}{-5} \right] = \frac{\pi^4}{72} + \left(\frac{1}{1^4} + \frac{1}{2^4} + \frac{1}{3^4} + \dots \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{16\pi} \left[\frac{+\pi^5}{+5} + \frac{\pi^5}{5} \right] = \frac{\pi^4}{72} + \left(\frac{1}{1^4} + \frac{1}{2^4} + \frac{1}{3^4} + \dots \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{16\pi} \left(\frac{2\pi^5}{5} \right) - \frac{\pi^4}{72} = \frac{1}{1^4} + \frac{1}{2^4} + \frac{1}{3^4} + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\pi^4}{40} - \frac{\pi^4}{72} = \frac{1}{1^4} + \frac{1}{2^4} + \frac{1}{3^4} + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3\pi^4}{40 \times 72} = \frac{1}{1^4} + \frac{1}{2^4} + \frac{1}{3^4} + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\pi^4}{90} = \frac{1}{1^4} + \frac{1}{2^4} + \frac{1}{3^4} + \dots$$

8) Find Fourier Series of $f(x) = \sin ax$ in $(-\pi, \pi)$, :

a is not an integer.

Solⁿ Given interval is $(-\pi, \pi)$

(\therefore we can check $f(x)$ is even or odd.)

$$f(-x) = \sin(-ax) = -\sin ax = -f(x)$$

$\Rightarrow f(x)$ is odd function

$$\Rightarrow a_0 = 0, a_n = 0$$

$$l = \pi$$

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$$\therefore f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right)$$

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin nx \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{l} \int_0^l f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin ax \sin nx dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \times \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\pi} [\cos(ax-nx) - \cos(ax+nx)] dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} [\cos(a-n)x - \cos(a+n)x] dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[\frac{\sin(a-n)x}{(a-n)} - \frac{\sin(a+n)x}{(a+n)} \right]_0^{\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[\frac{\sin(a-n)\pi}{(a-n)} - \frac{\sin(a+n)\pi}{a+n} - 0 + 0 \right] \quad n \neq a$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[\frac{\sin(a\pi - n\pi)}{(a-n)} - \frac{\sin(a\pi + n\pi)}{(a+n)} \right]$$

$$\sin(a\pi + n\pi) = \sin a\pi \cos n\pi + \cos a\pi \sin n\pi$$
$$= \sin a\pi (-1)^n \neq 0 = (-1)^n \sin a\pi$$

$$\therefore b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[\frac{(-1)^n \sin a\pi}{a-n} - \frac{(-1)^n \sin a\pi}{a+n} \right]$$

$$= \frac{(-1)^n \sin a\pi}{\pi} \left[\frac{1}{a-n} - \frac{1}{a+n} \right]$$

$$= \frac{(-1)^n \sin a\pi}{\pi} \left[\frac{a+n - (a-n)}{a^2 - n^2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{(-1)^n \sin a\pi}{\pi} \frac{2n}{(a^2 - n^2)} \quad n \neq a$$

$$\therefore \text{from (1)} \quad f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2(-1)^n (\sin a\pi)n}{(a^2 - n^2)} \sin nx$$