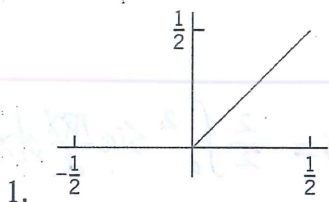


Tutorial 8 Fourier series of 2L-periodic functions

Is the following function even or odd or neither? Find the expression of $f(x)$ at first and then find their Fourier series. Show the details of your work.



The function is neither even nor odd.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & -\frac{1}{2} \leq x < 0 \\ x, & 0 \leq x < \frac{1}{2} \end{cases} \quad f(x+1) = f(x), \quad L = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) dx = \frac{1}{2L} \int_0^L x dx = \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} x dx = \left[\frac{1}{2} x^2 \right]_0^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx = 2 \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} f(x) \cos 2n\pi x dx = 2 \left[\int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} x \cos 2n\pi x dx + \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^0 0 \cdot \cos 2n\pi x dx \right]$$

$$\text{let } u = x, \quad v' = \cos 2n\pi x, \quad \therefore u' = 1, \quad v = \frac{1}{2n\pi} \sin 2n\pi x.$$

$$= 2 \cdot \left[x \cdot \frac{1}{2n\pi} \sin 2n\pi x \right]_0^{\frac{1}{2}} - 2 \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{2n\pi} \sin 2n\pi x dx = 0 - \frac{1}{n\pi} \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \sin 2n\pi x dx$$

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

$$b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx = 2 \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} f(x) \sin 2n\pi x dx = 2 \left[\int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^0 0 \sin 2n\pi x dx + \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} x \sin 2n\pi x dx \right]$$

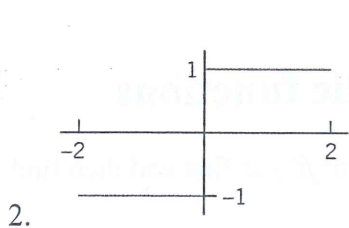
$$= 2 \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} x \sin 2n\pi x dx. \quad \text{Let } u = x, \quad v' = \sin 2n\pi x, \quad \therefore u' = 1, \quad v = \frac{-1}{2n\pi} \cos 2n\pi x$$

$$= 2 \cdot \left[x \cdot \frac{-1}{2n\pi} \cos 2n\pi x \right]_0^{\frac{1}{2}} - 2 \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{-1}{2n\pi} \cos 2n\pi x dx$$

$$= 2 \cdot \left(\frac{-1}{4n\pi} \cos n\pi - 0 \right) + \frac{1}{n\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{2n\pi} \left[\sin 2n\pi x \right]_0^{\frac{1}{2}} = -\frac{1}{2n\pi} \cos n\pi$$

Therefore, the Fourier series of $f(x)$ is

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{8} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{2n^2\pi^2} (\cos n\pi - 1) \cos 2n\pi x - \frac{1}{2n\pi} \cos n\pi \sin 2n\pi x \right]$$



Because the graph of the function is symmetric about the origin, this is an odd function.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -1, & -2 \leq x < 0 \\ 1, & 0 \leq x < 2 \end{cases} \quad f(x+4) = f(x), \quad 2L=4 \therefore L=2$$

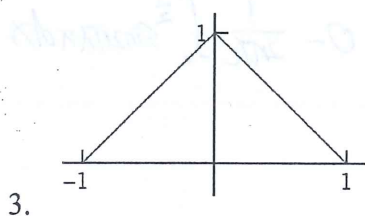
Because $f(x)$ is odd, so $a_n = 0, n=0, 1, 2, \dots$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx = \frac{2}{2} \int_0^2 \sin \frac{n\pi x}{2} dx$$

$$= -\frac{2}{n\pi} \left[\cos \frac{n\pi x}{2} \right]_0^2 = \frac{2}{n\pi} (1 - \cos n\pi), \quad n=1, 2, \dots$$

Therefore, the Fourier series of $f(x)$ is

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{n\pi} (1 - \cos n\pi) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{2}$$



Because the graph of the function is symmetric about the y-axis, this is an even function.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x+1, & -1 \leq x < 0 \\ 1-x, & 0 \leq x < 1 \end{cases} \quad 2L=2, \therefore L=1$$

Since $f(x)$ is even, $b_n = 0, n=1, 2, \dots$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 f(x) dx = \int_0^1 (1-x) dx = \left[x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 \right]_0^1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx = \int_0^1 (1-x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{1} dx$$

Let $u = 1-x, v' = \cos n\pi x$
 $\therefore u' = -1, v = \frac{1}{n\pi} \sin n\pi x$

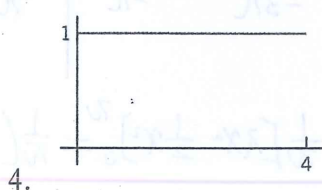
$$= \left[x \cdot \frac{1}{n\pi} \sin n\pi x \right]_0^1 - \int_0^1 \frac{1}{n\pi} \sin n\pi x (-1) dx = 0 + \int_0^1 \frac{1}{n\pi} \sin n\pi x dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{n\pi} \cdot \frac{-1}{n\pi} [\cos n\pi x]_0^1 = \frac{1}{n^2 \pi^2} (1 - \cos n\pi)$$

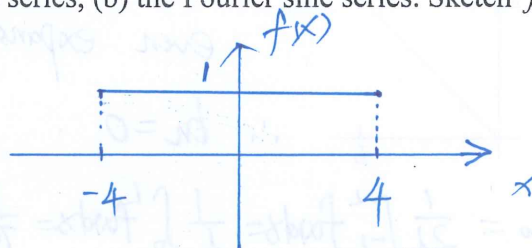
Therefore, the Fourier series of $f(x)$ is

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

Half-range expansions: find (a) the Fourier cosine series, (b) the Fourier sine series. Sketch $f(x)$ and its two periodic extensions. Show the details.



(a).

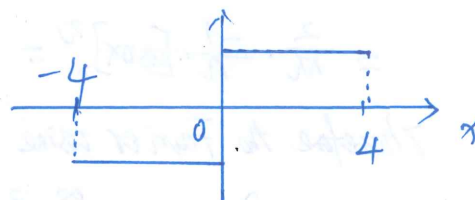


The even periodic extension of $f(x)$ is $f(x) = 1, x \in \mathbb{R}$.

So the Fourier cosine series is $f(x) = 1$.

(b). The Fourier sine series is when we expand the given function to an odd function, so

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -1, & -4 \leq x < 0 \\ 1, & 0 \leq x < 4 \end{cases} \quad f(x+8) = f(x), \quad 2L=8 \\ \therefore L=4.$$

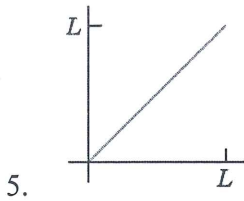


Because $f(x)$ is odd, so $a_0 = 0, a_n = 0, n=1, 2, \dots$.

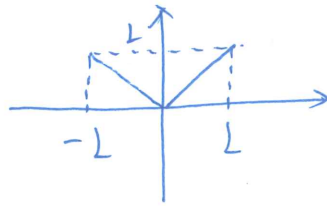
$$b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx = \frac{2}{4} \int_0^4 \sin \frac{n\pi x}{4} dx \\ = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{4}{n\pi} \left[-\cos \frac{n\pi x}{4} \right]_0^4 = \frac{2}{n\pi} (1 - \cos n\pi), \quad n=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

therefore the Fourier sine series of $f(x)$ is

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



(a): Even periodic expansion.



$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -x, & -L \leq x < 0 \\ x, & 0 \leq x < L \end{cases}, f(x+2L) = f(x).$$

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As $f(x)$ is even, $b_n = 0$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$.

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) dx = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L f(x) dx = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L x dx = \frac{1}{L} \left[\frac{x^2}{2} \right]_0^L = \frac{L}{2}.$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L x \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx. \quad \text{Let } u=x, v' = \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L}.$$

$$\therefore u'=1, v = \frac{L}{n\pi} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L}.$$

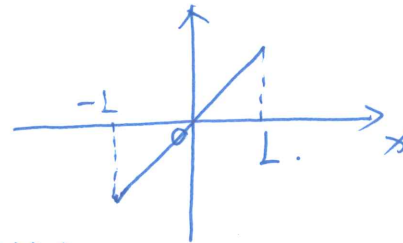
$$= \frac{2}{L} \left[x \cdot \frac{L}{n\pi} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \right]_0^L - \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L \frac{L}{n\pi} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx = 0 - \frac{2}{n\pi} \int_0^L \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{n\pi} \cdot \frac{-L}{n\pi} \left[\cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} \right]_0^L = \frac{2L}{n^2 \pi^2} [\cos(n\pi) - 1].$$

$$\therefore \text{The cosine Fourier series is } f(x) = \frac{L}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2L}{n^2 \pi^2} (\cos(n\pi) - 1) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L}.$$

(b). Odd periodic expansion:

$$f(x) = x, \quad -L < x < L, \quad f(x+2L) = f(x).$$

As $f(x)$ is odd, $a_0 = 0$, $a_n = 0$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$.

$$b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L x \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx. \quad \text{Let } u=x, v' = \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L}.$$

$$\therefore u'=1, v = -\frac{L}{n\pi} \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L}.$$

$$= \frac{2}{L} \left[x \cdot \left(-\frac{L}{n\pi} \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} \right) \right]_0^L - \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L \left(-\frac{L}{n\pi} \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} \right) dx$$

$$= \frac{-2}{n\pi} \cdot L \cos n\pi + \frac{2}{n\pi} \int_0^L \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx$$

$$= \frac{-2L}{n\pi} \cos n\pi + \frac{2}{n\pi} \cdot \frac{L}{n\pi} \left[\sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \right]_0^L = \frac{-2L}{n\pi} \cos n\pi$$

$$\therefore \text{The sine Fourier series is } f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{-2L}{n\pi} \cos n\pi \cdot \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L}.$$