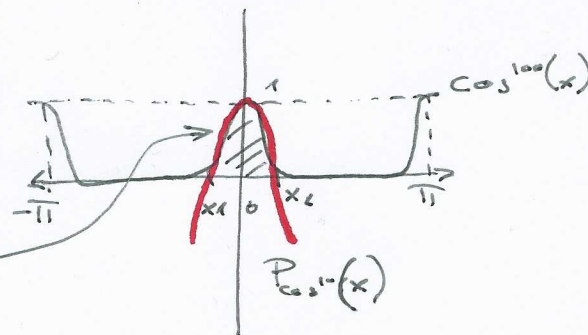


Idea: Compute Taylor series to approximate $\cos^{100}(x)$ around $x=0$. Then calculate the area under a "peak" (by integrating Taylor poly.) to estimate $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos^{100}(x) dx$.



• Taylor series for $n=6$

$$P_{\cos^{100}}(x) = 1 - 50x^2 + \frac{3755}{3}x^4 - \frac{183330}{9}x^6$$

• Compute the mean of $\cos^{100}(x)$ (or, $\sin^{100}(x)$) (or expectation value)

$$\bar{E}(x) = \frac{0.447}{2\pi} = \underline{\underline{0.0711}}$$

• Compute integral between x_1 and x_2 (where $P_{\cos^{100}}(x_1) = P_{\cos^{100}}(x_2) = 0$)

$$\int_{x_1}^{x_2} P_{\cos^{100}}(x) dx = \underline{\underline{0.2237}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos^{100}(x) dx \approx 2 \cdot 0.2237 = \underline{\underline{0.447}}$$

Since there are two peaks in $\mathbb{R}^*[-\pi, \pi]$