

## Warm-up to Fourier series

Let's imagine we have an orthonormal basis  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  for a vector space  $V$ .

Suppose we have a vector  $v$  and want to write

$$v = c_1 e_1 + c_2 e_2 + \dots + c_n e_n. \quad (c_i \text{ scalars})$$

How to find  $c_i$ ? If orthonormal, it's easy!

$$\begin{aligned} \langle v, e_1 \rangle &= \langle c_1 e_1 + \dots + c_n e_n, e_1 \rangle \\ &= c_1 \langle e_1, e_1 \rangle + c_2 \langle e_2, e_1 \rangle + \dots + c_n \langle e_n, e_1 \rangle. \\ &= c_1 + 0 + 0 + \dots + 0 = c_1, \end{aligned}$$


To get  $c_j$ , do  $\langle v, e_j \rangle$ !

last time:

$$\rightarrow V = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{all periodic functions} \\ \text{period } 2\pi \end{array} \right\} \quad \langle f, g \rangle = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} fg \, dx$$

An orthonormal basis:  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \cos x, \sin x, \cos(2x), \sin(2x),$   
 $\cos(3x), \sin(3x), \cos(4x), \sin(4x),$   
...

Suppose  $f$  is periodic. How to write  $f$  as combo  
of sin & cos?


$$f = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos(nx) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin(nx).$$

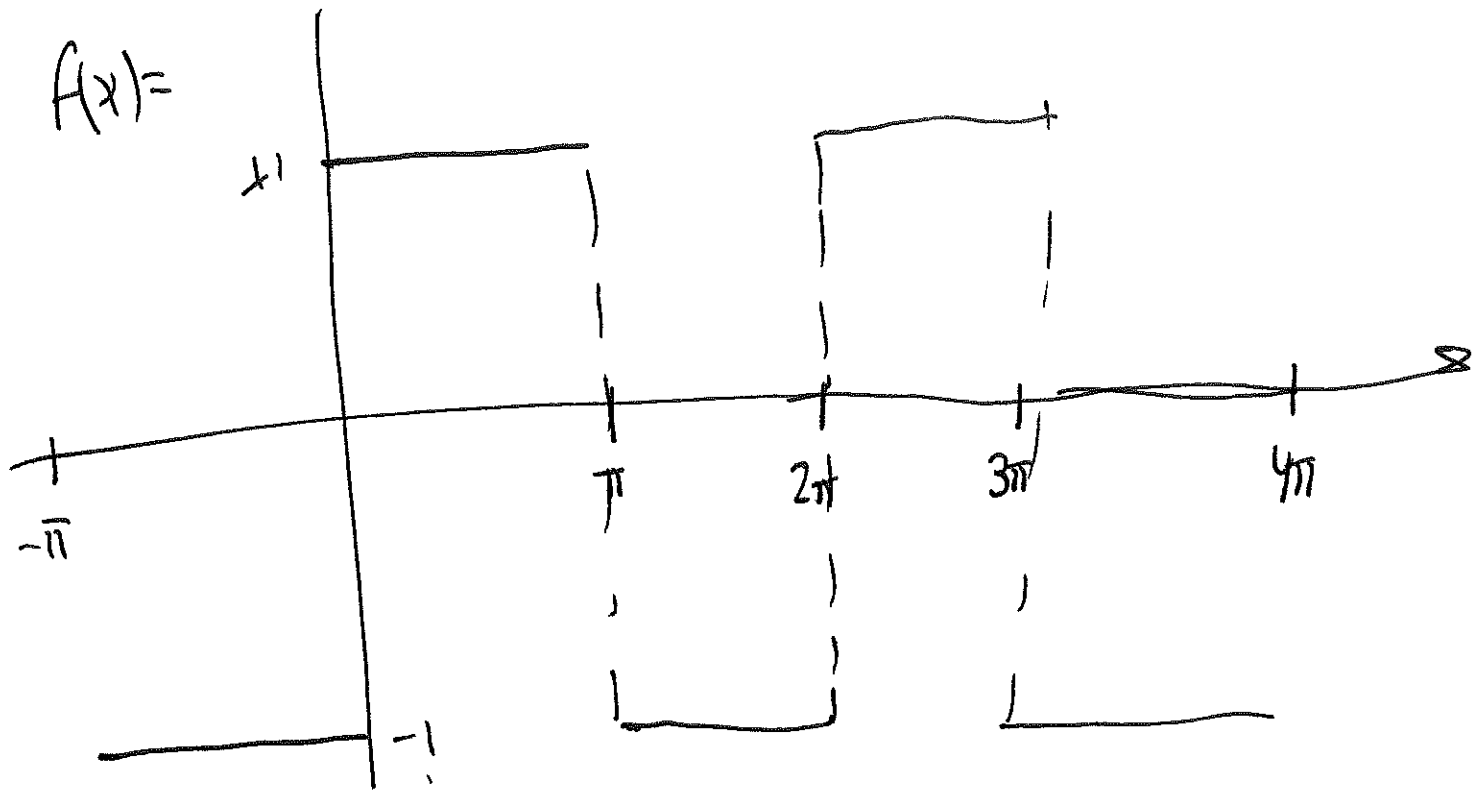
$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$a_0 = \langle f, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \rangle = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} f \, dx$$

$$a_n = \langle f, \cos(nx) \rangle = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f \cos(nx) \, dx$$

$$b_n = \langle f, \sin(nx) \rangle = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f \sin(nx) \, dx$$

# Square wave



$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} f \, dx = 0$$

↑ even × odd

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f \sin(nx) \, dx$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f \cos(nx) \, dx = 0$$

↑ odd × even

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \overbrace{f \sin(nx)}^{\text{odd} \times \text{odd} = \text{even}} dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f \sin(nx) dx$$



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

$$\cos(n\pi) = (-1)^n = \begin{cases} 1 & n \text{ even} \\ -1 & n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

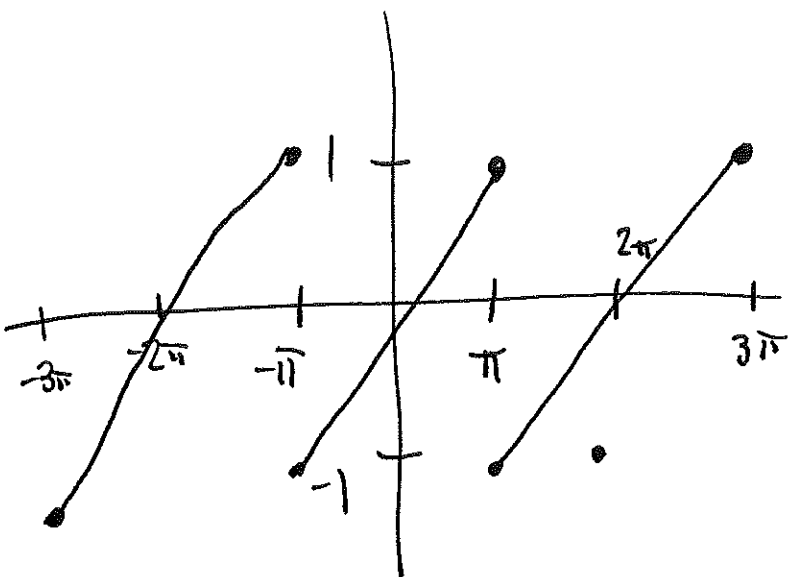
$$\cos(n\pi) = (-1)^n$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \left( -\frac{1}{n} \cos(nx) \Big|_0^{\pi} \right)$$

$$= \begin{cases} 0 & n \text{ even} \\ \frac{4}{\pi n} & n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{4}{\pi} \sin(x) + \frac{4}{3\pi} \sin(3x) + \frac{4}{5\pi} \sin(5x) + \frac{4}{7\pi} \sin(7x) + \dots$$

# Sawtooth wave:



$$a_0 = \left\langle f, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right\rangle = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} f dx$$

$$a_n = \left\langle f, \cos(nx) \right\rangle = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f \cos(nx) dx$$

$$b_n = \left\langle f, \sin(nx) \right\rangle = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f \sin(nx) dx$$

$$a_i = 0 \text{ (odd!)}$$

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

$$\int x \sin(nx) dx = -\frac{x}{n} \cos(nx) + \int \frac{1}{n} \cos(nx) dx$$

$$u = x \quad v = -\frac{1}{n} \cos(nx) \quad = -\frac{x}{n} \cos(nx) + \frac{1}{n^2} \sin(nx)$$

$$du = dx \quad dv = \sin(nx) dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \left( \left( -\frac{x}{n} \cos(nx) + \frac{1}{n^2} \sin(nx) \right) \Big|_0^{\pi} \right) = \text{(crossed out)}$$

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

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{2}{n} & n \text{ odd} \\ -\frac{2}{n} & n \text{ even.} \end{cases}$$

$$f(x) = 2 \sin(x) - \frac{2}{2} \sin(2x) + \frac{2}{3} \sin(3x) - \frac{2}{4} \sin(4x) + \frac{2}{5} \sin(5x)$$


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Pythagorean theorem.

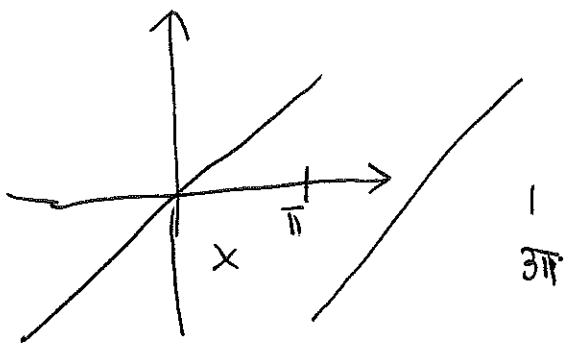
$$\text{Length of } (2, 3, 4)? \quad \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2 + 4^2}.$$

$e_i$  orthonormal basis.

$$\|c_1 e_1 + \dots + c_n e_n\|^2 = \|c_1 e_1\|^2 + \dots + \|c_n e_n\|^2$$

$$= c_1^2 \|e_1\|^2 + \dots + c_n^2 \|e_n\|^2$$

$$= c_1^2 + c_2^2 + c_3^2 + \dots + c_n^2.$$



Before

$$f(x) = \frac{2}{1} \sin(x) - \frac{2}{2} \sin(2x) + \frac{2}{3} \sin(3x) - \frac{2}{4} \sin(4x) + \frac{2}{5} \sin(5x) - \dots$$

$$= c_1 e_1 + c_2 e_2 + c_3 e_3 + c_4 e_4 + \dots$$

$$\|f\|^2 = c_1^2 + c_2^2 + c_3^2 + c_4^2 + \dots$$

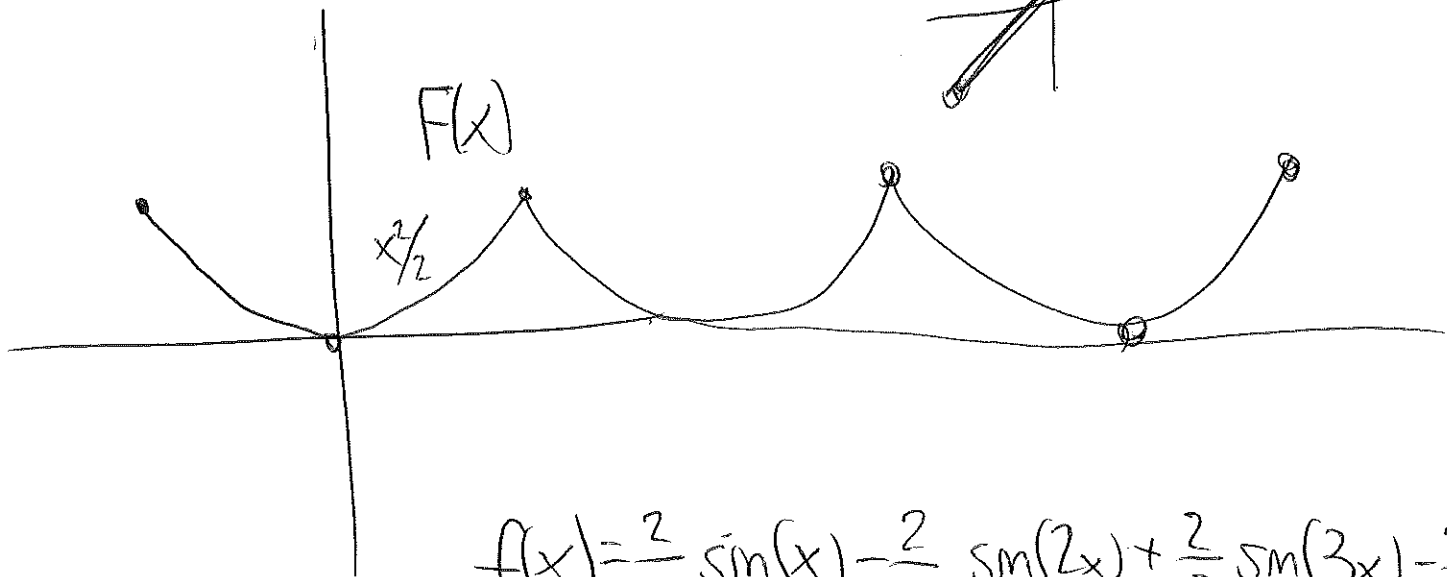
$$= \left(\frac{2}{1}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{2}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{2}{4}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^2 + \dots$$

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

$$\|f\|^2 = \langle f, f \rangle = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x^2 dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \frac{2\pi^3}{3} \right) = \frac{2\pi^2}{3}$$

$$\frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{4^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \dots = \frac{2\pi^2}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{4} = \frac{\pi^2}{6}$$

What other sums can we get?



$$f(x) = \frac{2}{1} \sin(x) - \frac{2}{2} \sin(2x) + \frac{2}{3} \sin(3x) - \frac{2}{4} \sin(4x)$$

$$C + F(x) = -\frac{2}{1} \cos(x) + \frac{2}{4} \cos(2x) - \frac{2}{9} \cos(3x) + \frac{2}{16} \cos(4x) + \dots$$

Pythagorean thm:

$$\left(-\frac{2}{1}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{2}{4}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{2}{9}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{2}{16}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{2}{25}\right)^2$$

$$4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4} = \|f\|^2$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4} = \frac{\pi^4}{90}$$