

## **Signals & Systems**

**EEE-223**

Lab # 10



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### **Trigonometric (Real) Fourier Series Representation and its Properties**

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### Pre-Lab Tasks

#### 10.1 Trigonometric Fourier Series:

A second form of Fourier series is introduced in this section. Suppose that a signal  $x(t)$  is defined in the time interval  $[t_0, t_0 + T]$ . Then  $x(t)$ , by using the trigonometric Fourier series, can be expressed in time interval  $[t_0, t_0 + T]$  as a sum of sinusoidal signals, namely, sines and cosines, where each signal has frequency  $k\Omega_0$  rad/s.

The mathematical expression (equation 10.1) is

$$x(t) = a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k \cos(k\Omega_0 t) + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} c_k \sin(k\Omega_0 t)$$

The coefficients  $a_0, b_1, b_2, \dots, c_1, c_2, \dots$  of the trigonometric Fourier series are computed by

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} x(t) dt \quad 10.2$$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{T} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} x(t) \cos(n\Omega_0 t) dt, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \quad 10.3$$

$$c_n = \frac{2}{T} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} x(t) \sin(n\Omega_0 t) dt, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \quad 10.4$$

#### Example:

The signal that will be expanded is the same signal used at the previous example. Thus, the problem is to expand in trigonometric Fourier series the signal  $x(t) = e^{-t}, 0 \leq t \leq 3$ .

First the trigonometric Fourier coefficients  $b_n$ ,  $c_n$  and the dc component  $a_0$  are computed according to equations 10.3, 10.4 and 10.2, respectively, for  $n = 1, 2, \dots, 200$ . Next,  $x(t)$  is approximated according to the relationship (equation 10.5)

$$x(t) = a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^N b_k \cos(k\Omega_0 t) + \sum_{k=1}^N c_k \sin(k\Omega_0 t)$$

#### Commands

```
T=3;
t0=0;
w=2*pi/T;
syms t
x=exp(-t);

a0=(1/T)*int(x,t,t0,t0+T);
for n=1:200
b(n)=(2/T)*int(x*cos(n*w*t),t,t0,t0+T);
end
for n=1:200
c(n)=(2/T)*int(x*sin(n*w*t),t,t0,t0+T);
end
k=1:200;
xx=a0+sum(b.*cos(k*w*t))+sum(c.*sin(k*w*t))
ezplot(xx, [t0 t0+T]);
title('Approximation with 201 terms')
```

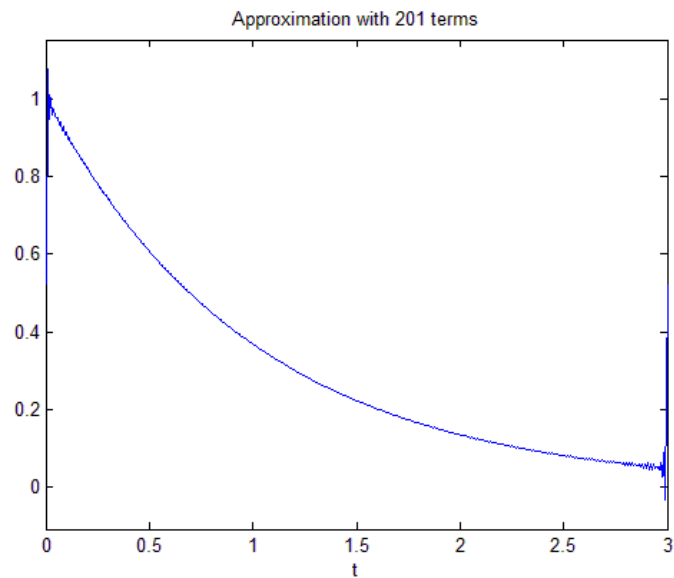
#### Results/Comments

Definition of  $t_0 = 0, T = 3, \Omega_0 = 2\pi/T$  and of the signal  $x(t)$

Computation of trigonometric coefficients according to equations 10.2, 10.3 and 10.4.

The signal  $x(t)$  is approximated by equation 10.1 or more precisely from equation 10.5 with  $N=200$ .

Graph of the approximate signal  $xx(t)$  that was computed by the terms of the trigonometric Fourier series.



The approximation with 201 terms of the original signal  $x(t)$  is very good.

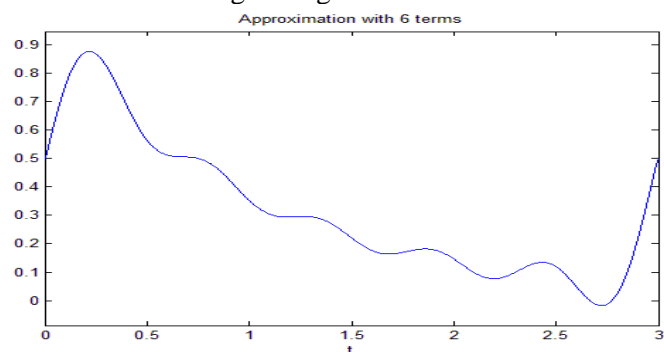
In order to understand the importance of the number terms used for the approximation of the original signal  $x(t)$ , the approximate signal  $xx(t)$  is constructed for different values of  $n$ . Approximation with five terms ( $n = 1, \dots, 5$ )

Commands

```
clear b c
for n=1:5
    b(n)=(2/T)*int(x*cos(n*w*t),t,t0,t0+T);
    c(n)=(2/T)*int(x*sin(n*w*t),t,t0,t0+T);
end
k=1:5;
xx=a0+sum(b.*cos(k*w*t))+sum(c.*sin(k*w*t))
ezplot(xx, [t0 t0+T]);
title('Approximation with 6 terms')
```

Results/Comments

When the signal is approximated with 5 terms, it is pretty dissimilar to the original signal.



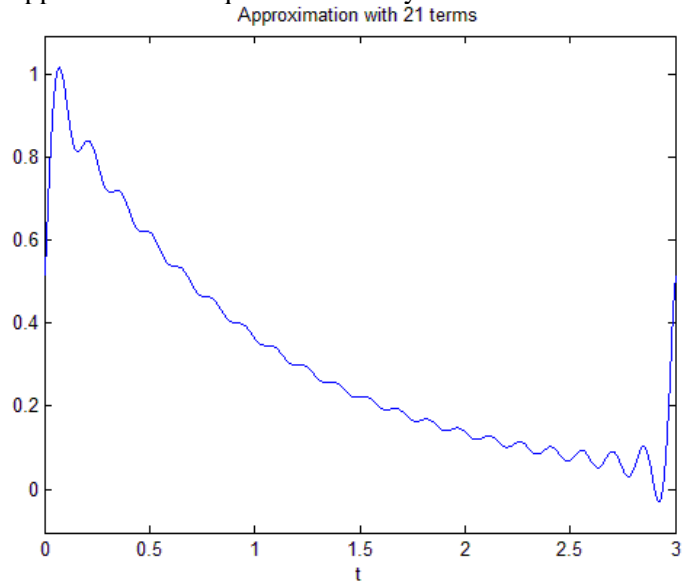
Approximation with 20 terms ( $n = 1, \dots, 20$ )

#### Commands

```
for n=1:20
b(n)=(2/T)*int(x*cos(n*w*t),t,t0,t0+T);
c(n)=(2/T)*int(x*sin(n*w*t),t,t0,t0+T);
end
k=1:20;
xx=a0+sum(b.*cos(k*w*t))
+sum(c.*sin(k*w*t));
ezplot(xx, [t0 t0+T]);
title('Approximation with 21 terms')
```

#### Results/Comments

The approximated signal  $x_x(t)$  is now approximated by 20 terms and it is quite similar to the original signal. The approximation is quite satisfactory.



## 10.2 Properties of Fourier Series:

### 10.2.1 Linearity

Suppose that the complex exponential Fourier series coefficients of the periodic signals  $x(t)$  and  $y(t)$  are denoted by  $a_k$  and  $b_k$ , respectively, or In other words  $x(t) \rightarrow a_k$  and  $y(t) \rightarrow b_k$ . Moreover, let  $z_1, z_2$  denote two complex numbers. Then

$$z_1 x(t) + z_2 y(t) \leftrightarrow z_1 a_k + z_2 b_k$$

To verify the linearity property, we consider the periodic signals  $x(t) = \cos(t)$ ,  $y(t) = \sin(2t)$  and the scalars  $z_1 = 3 + 2i$  and  $z_2 = 2$ .

#### Commands

```
t0=0;
T=2*pi;
w=2*pi/T;
```

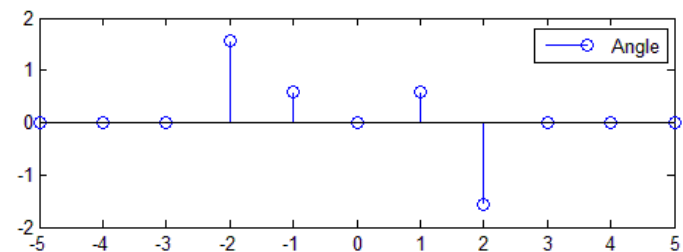
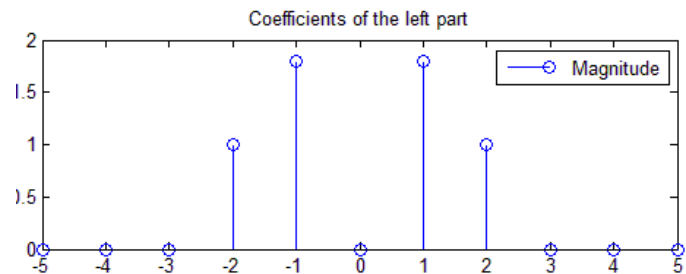
#### Results/Comments

First we determine the complex exponential Fourier series coefficients of the left part; that is, we compute the

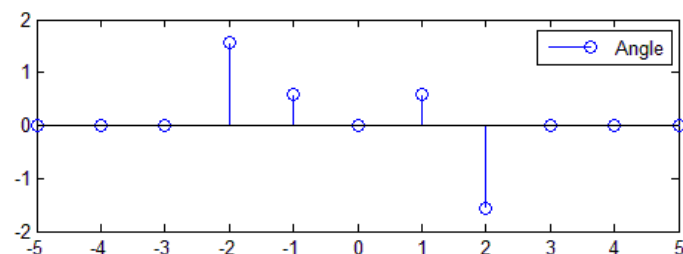
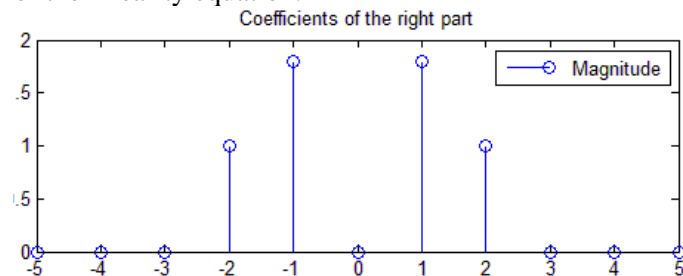
```
syms t
z1=3+2i; z2=2;
x=cos(t); y=sin(2*t);
f=z1*x+z2*y;
k=-5:5;
left=(1/T)*int(f*exp(-j*k*w*t),t,t0,t0+T);
left=eval(left);
subplot(211);
stem(k,abs(left));
legend('Magnitude');
title('Coefficients of the left part');
subplot(212);
stem(k,angle(left));
legend('Angle');
```

```
a=(1/T)*int(x*exp(-j*k*w*t),t,t0,t0+T);
b=(1/T)*int(y*exp(-j*k*w*t),t,t0,t0+T);
right=z1*a+z2*b;
subplot(211);
right=eval(right);
stem(k,abs(right));
legend('Magnitude');
title('Coefficients of the right part');
subplot(212);
stem(k,angle(right));
legend('Angle');
```

coefficients of the signal  $f(t) = z_1 x(t) + z_2 y(t)$ . The period of  $f(t)$  is  $T = 2\pi$



In order to derive the right part of the linearity equation, first coefficients are computed and formulate the right part of the linearity equation.



The two graphs are identical; thus the linearity property is verified.

## 10.2.2 Time Shifting

A shift in time of the periodic signal results on a phase change of the Fourier series coefficients. So, if  $x(t) \rightarrow a_k$ , the exact relationship is

$$x(t - t_1) \leftrightarrow e^{-jk\Omega_0 t_1} a_k$$

In order to verify time shifting property, we consider the periodic signal that in one period is given by  $x(t) = te^{-5t}$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq 10$ . Moreover, we set  $t_1 = 3$ . Consequently the signal  $x(t - t_1)$  is given by  $x(t - t_1) = x(t - 3) = (t - 3)e^{-5(t-3)}$ .

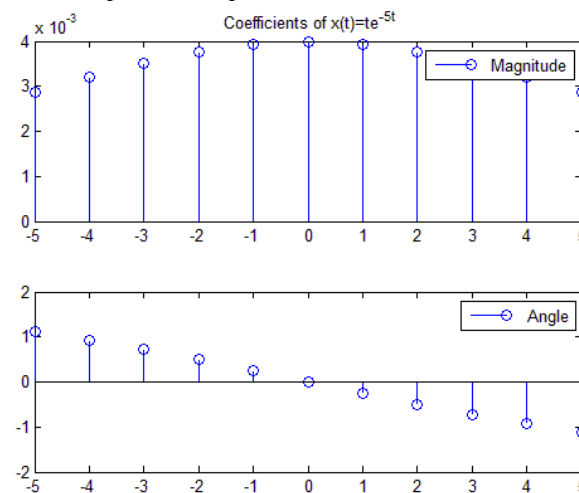
Commands

```
t0=0;
T=10;
w=2*pi/T;
syms t
x=t*exp(-5*t)
k=-5:5;
a=(1/T)*int(x*exp(-j*k*w*t),t,t0,t0+T);
a1=eval(a);
subplot(211);
stem(k,abs(a1));
title('Coefficients of x(t)=te^{-5t}');
legend('Magnitude');
subplot(212);
stem(k,angle(a1));
legend('Angle');
```

```
t1=3;
right= exp(-j*k*w*t1).*a;
right =eval(right);
subplot(211);
stem(k,abs(right));
legend('Magnitude');
title('Right part');
subplot(212);
stem(k,angle(right));
legend('Angle');
```

Results/Comments

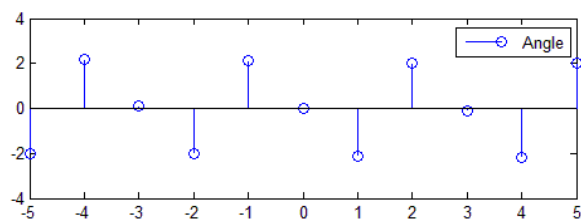
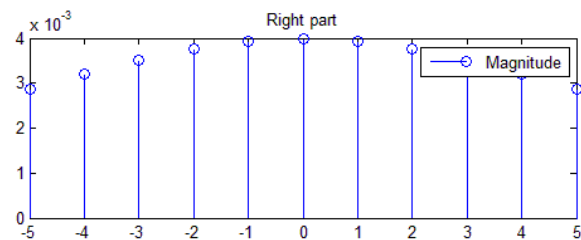
First the Fourier series coefficients for the given signal are computed and plotted.



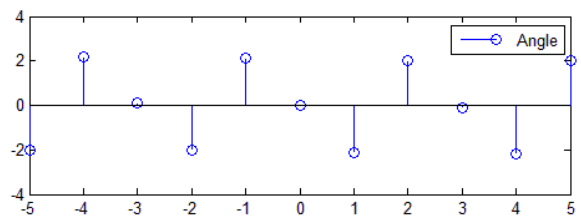
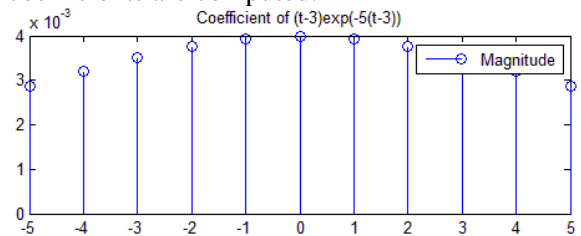
Next, the right part of the time shifting equation is computed.



```
x=(t-t1).*exp(-5*(t-t1));
a=(1/T)*int(x*exp(-j*k*w*t),t,t0+t1,t0+T+t1);
coe=eval(a);
subplot(211);
stem(k,abs(coe));
legend('Magnitude');
title('Coefficient of (t-3)exp(-5(t-3)) ');
subplot(212);
stem(k,angle(coe));
legend('Angle');
```



Finally, the time shifted version of  $x(t)$  is defined, i.e.,  
 $y(t) = (t-3)e^{-5(t-3)}$ , and corresponding Fourier series coefficients are computed.



The two last graphs are identical; hence, the time shift property is confirmed. Comparing the two last graphs with the first one, we notice that indeed the magnitude does not change, but the phase is different.

### 10.2.3 Time Reversal

The Fourier series coefficients of the reflected version of a signal  $x(t)$  are also a reflection of the coefficients of  $x(t)$ . So, if  $x(t) \rightarrow a_k$ , the mathematical expression is

$$x(-t) \leftrightarrow a_{-k}$$

In order to validate the time reversal property, we consider the periodic signal that in one period is given by  $x(t) = t \cos(t), 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ .

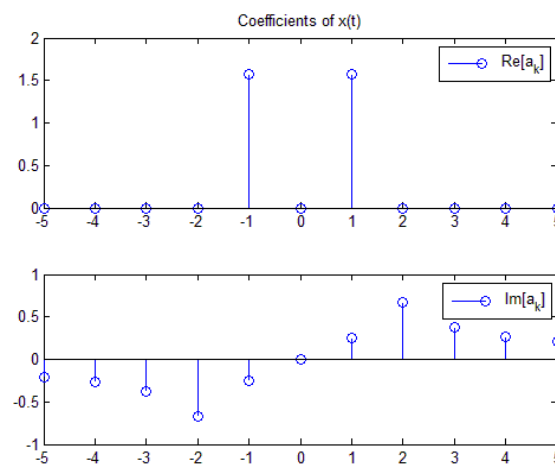
#### Commands

```
t0=0;
T=2*pi;
w=2*pi/T;
syms t
x=t*cos(t);
k=-5:5;
a=(1/T)*int(x*exp(-j*k*w*t),t,t0,t0+T);
a1=eval(a);
subplot(211);
stem(k,real(a1));
legend('Re[a_k]');
title('Coefficients of x(t)');
subplot(212);
stem(k,imag(a1));
legend('Im[a_k]');
```

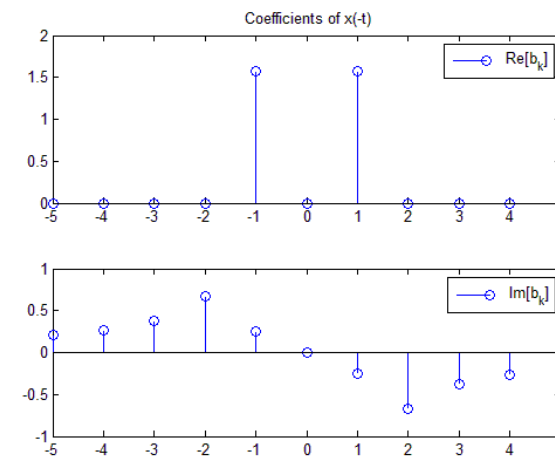
```
x_=-t*cos(-t);
b=(1/T)*int(x_*exp(-j*k*w*t),t,t0-T,t0);
b1=eval(b);
subplot(211);
stem(k,real(b1));
legend('Re[b_k]');
title('Coefficients of x(-t)');
subplot(212);
stem(k,imag(b1));
legend('Im[b_k]');
```

#### Results/Comments

Fourier series coefficients  $a_k$  are computed and plotted.



Next the coefficients  $b_k$  are computed for the time reversed version  $x(-t)$ , and we notice that  $b_k = a_{-k}$ . Hence the time reversal property is confirmed.



## 10.2.4 Time Scaling

The Fourier series coefficients of a time scaled version  $x(\lambda t)$  and  $x(t)$  do not change. On the other hand, the fundamental period of the time scaled version becomes  $T/\lambda$ , and the fundamental frequency becomes  $\lambda\Omega_0$ . The mathematical expression is

$$x(\lambda t) \leftrightarrow a_k$$

The time scaling property is confirmed by using the periodic signal that in one period is given by  $x(t) = t \cos(t), 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ .

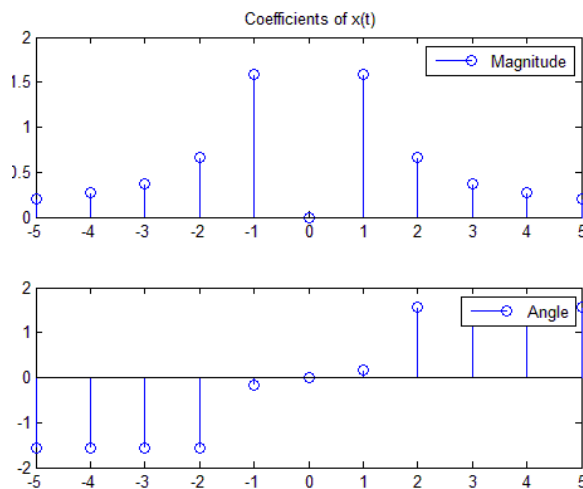
#### Commands

```
syms t
t0=0;
T=2*pi;
w=2*pi/T;
x=t*cos(t);
k=-5:5;
a=(1/T)*int(x*exp(-j*k*w*t),t,t0,t0+T);
a1=eval(a)
subplot(211);
stem(k,abs(a1));
legend('Magnitude');
title('Coefficients of x(t)');
subplot(212);
stem(k,angle(a1));
legend('Angle');
```

```
lamda=2;
T=T/lamda;
w=2*pi/T;
x=lamda*t*cos(lamda*t);
k=-5:5;
a=(1/T)*int(x*exp(-j*k*w*t),t,t0,t0+T);
a1=eval(a)
subplot(211);
stem(k,abs(a1));
legend('Magnitude');
title('Coefficients of x(2t)');
subplot(212);
stem(k,angle(a1));
```

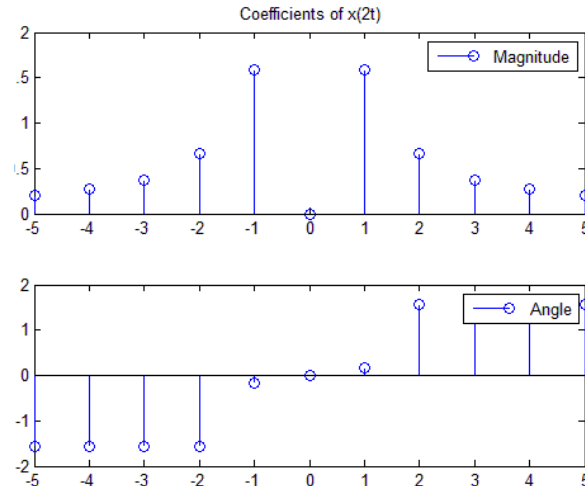
#### Results/Comments

First the Fourier series exponential components  $a_k, -5 \leq k \leq 5$  for the signal  $x(t) = t \cos(t), 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$  are computed and plotted.



Next the coefficients  $b_k$  of the time scaled signal  $x(2t) = 2t \cos(2t), 0 \leq t \leq \pi$ , and it is seen that  $a_k = b_k$ . Hence the time scaling property is confirmed.

legend('Angle');



### 10.2.5 Signal Multiplication

The Fourier series coefficient of the product of two signals equals the convolution of the Fourier series coefficients of each signal. Suppose that  $x(t) \leftrightarrow a_k$  and  $y(t) \leftrightarrow b_k$ , we have 10.6 as

$$x(t)y(t) \leftrightarrow a_k * b_k$$

Where  $*$  denotes discrete time convolution. To verify property 10.6, we consider the signals  $x(t) = \cos(t)$  and  $y(t) = \sin(t)$ .

Commands

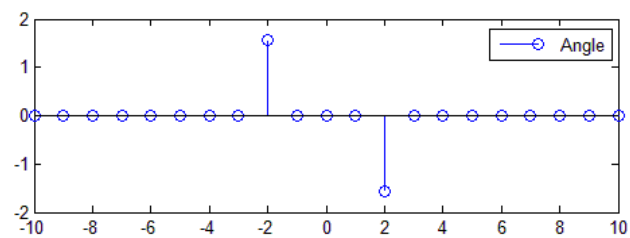
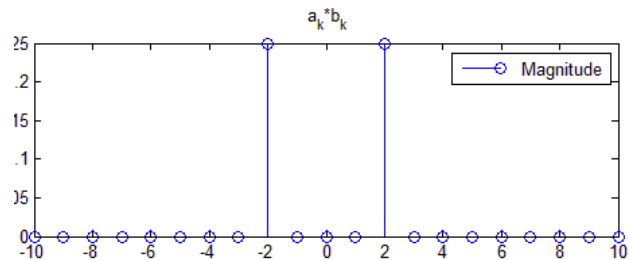
```
syms t
t0=0;
T=2*pi;
w=2*pi/T;
x=cos(t);
k=-5:5;
a=(1/T)*int(x*exp(-j*k*w*t),t,t0,t0+T);
a1=eval(a);
y=sin(t);
b=(1/T)*int(y*exp(-j*k*w*t),t,t0,t0+T);
b1=eval(b);
left=conv(a1,b1);
subplot(211);
stem(-10:10,abs(left));
legend('Magnitude');
title('a_k*b_k');
```

Results/Comments

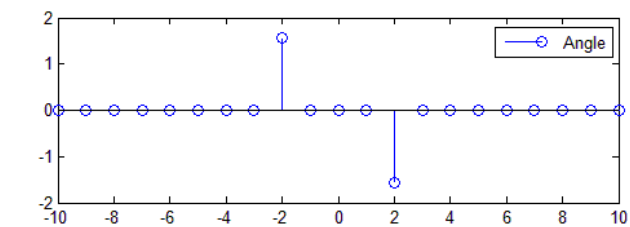
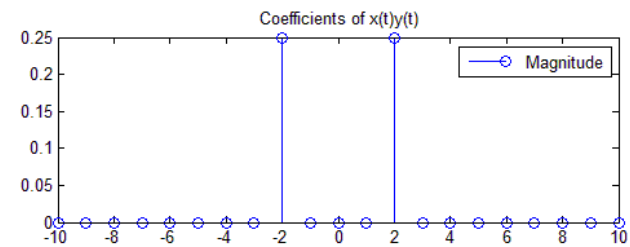
First, the exponential Fourier series coefficients  $a_k, -5 \leq k \leq 5$  and  $b_k, -5 \leq k \leq 5$  and their convolution is computed. Notice that the convolution  $d_k = a_k * b_k$  is implemented between two complex valued sequences.

```
subplot(212);
stem(-10:10,angle(left));
legend('Angle');
```

```
z=x*y;
k=-10:10;
c=(1/T)*int(z*exp(-j*k*w*t),t,t0,t0+T);
c1=eval(c)
subplot(211);
stem(k,abs(c1));
legend('Magnitude');
title('Coefficients of x(t)y(t)');
subplot(212);
stem(k,angle(c1));
legend('Angle');
```



Next, the Fourier series coefficients  $c_k$  are computed for the signal  $z(t) = \cos(t) \sin(t)$ ,  $-10 \leq k \leq 10$ .



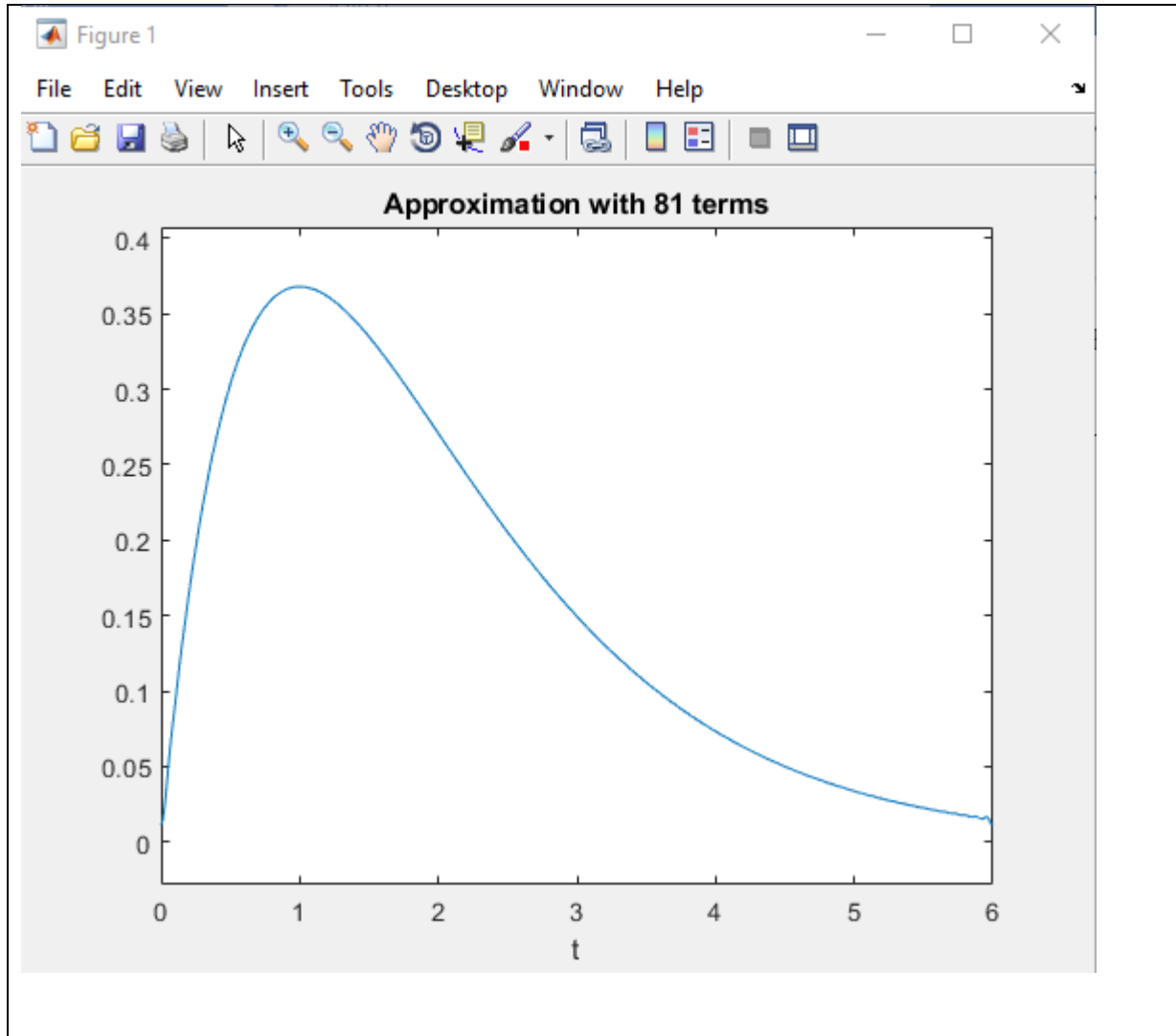
## In-Lab Tasks

**Task 01:** The periodic signal  $x(t)$  is defined in one period as  $x(t) = te^{-t}, 0 \leq t \leq 6$ . Plot approximate signal using 81 terms of trigonometric form of Fourier series.

```
T = 6; %Time Period
t0 = 0;
w = 2*pi/T; %Angular Frequency

syms t %t as symbol declaration
x = t.*exp(-t);

a0 = (1/T)*int(x,t,t0,t0+T);
for n = 1:80
b(n) = (2/T)*int(x*cos(n*w*t),t,t0,t0+T);
end
for n = 1:80
c(n) = (2/T)*int(x*sin(n*w*t),t,t0,t0+T);
end
k = 1:80;
xx = a0+sum(b.*cos(k*w*t))+sum(c.*sin(k*w*t))
ezplot(xx, [t0 t0+T]);
title('Approximation with 81 terms')
```



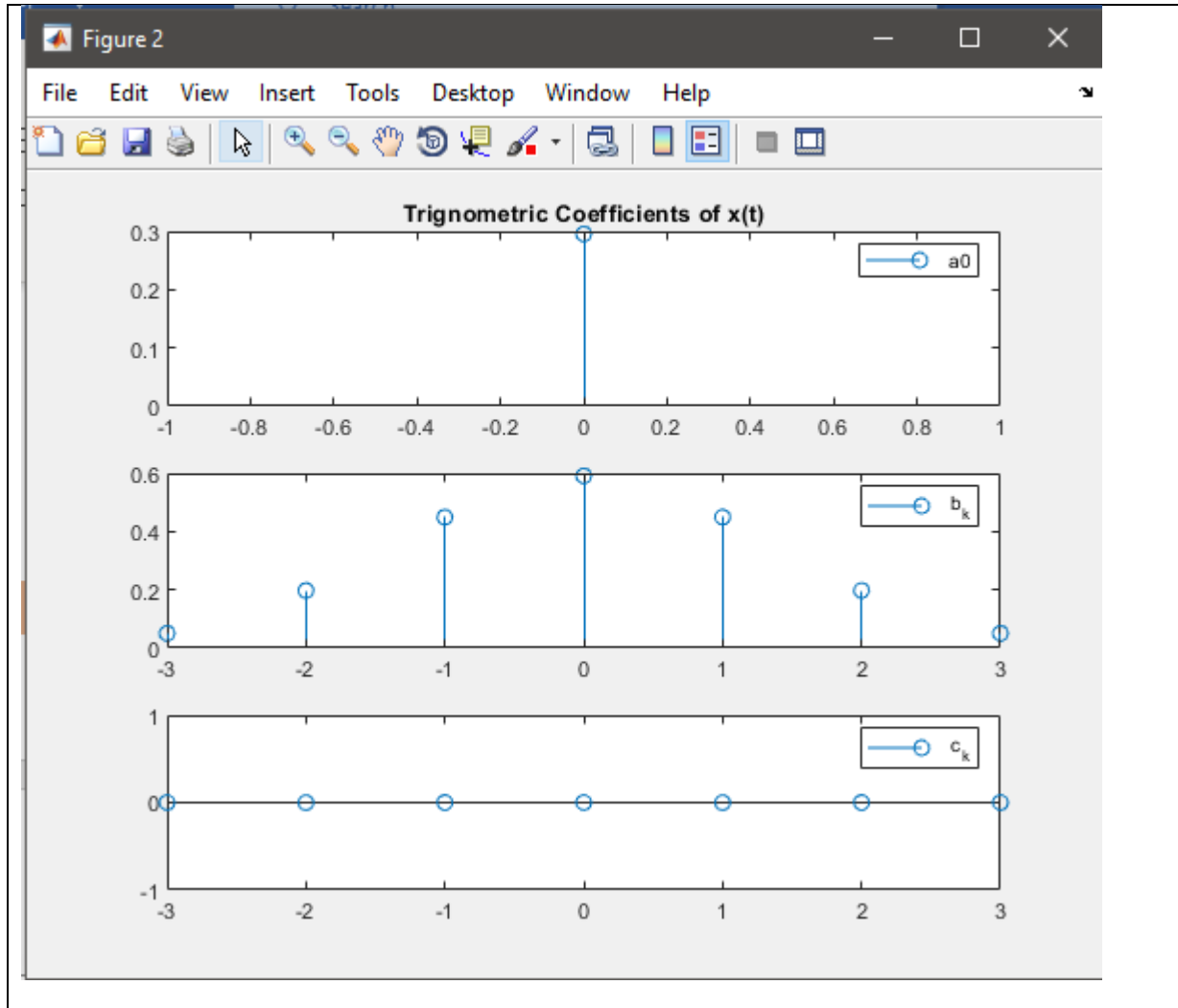
**Task 02: Plot the coefficients of the trigonometric Fourier series for the periodic signal that in one period is defined by  $x(t) = e^{-t^2}$ ,  $-3 \leq t \leq 3$ .**

```
T = 6; %Time Period
t0 = -3;
w = 2*pi/T; %Angular Frequency

syms t %t as symbol declaration
x = exp(-t.^2);
k = -3:3;
a0 = (1/T)*int(x,t,t0,t0+T);
b = (2/T)*int(x*cos(k*w*t),t,t0,t0+T);
c = (2/T)*int(x*sin(k*w*t),t,t0,t0+T);

figure
subplot(3,1,1)
stem(0,a0), legend('a0'), title('Trigonometric Coefficients of x(t)');
subplot(3,1,2)
stem(k,b), legend('b_k');
subplot(3,1,3)
stem(k,c), legend('c_k');
```





**Task 03:** The periodic signal  $x(t)$  in a period is given by

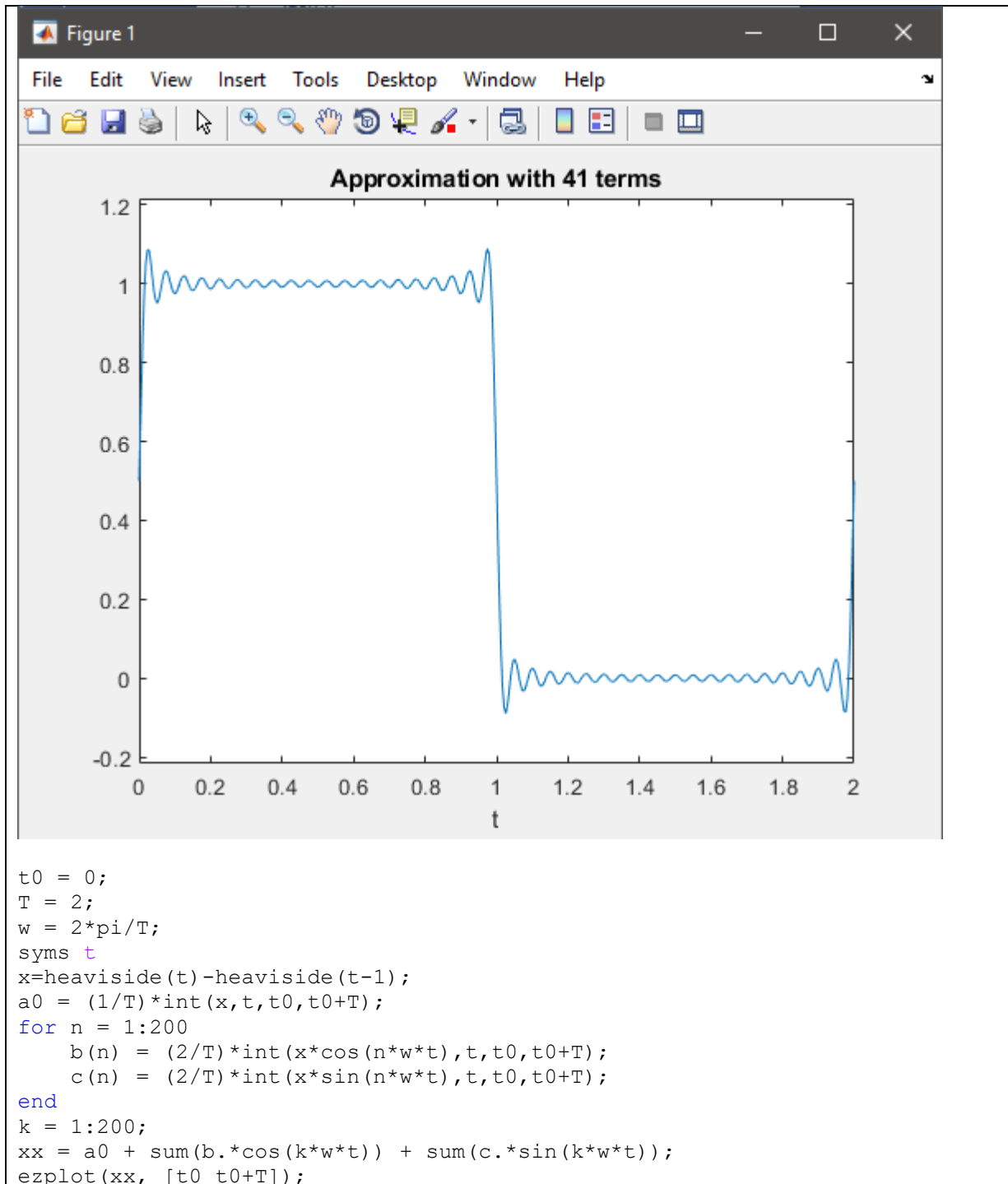
$$x(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq t \leq 1 \\ 0, & 1 \leq t \leq 2 \end{cases}$$

**Plot in one period the approximate signals using 41 and 201 term of the trigonometric Fourier series. Furthermore, each time plot the complex exponential coefficients.**

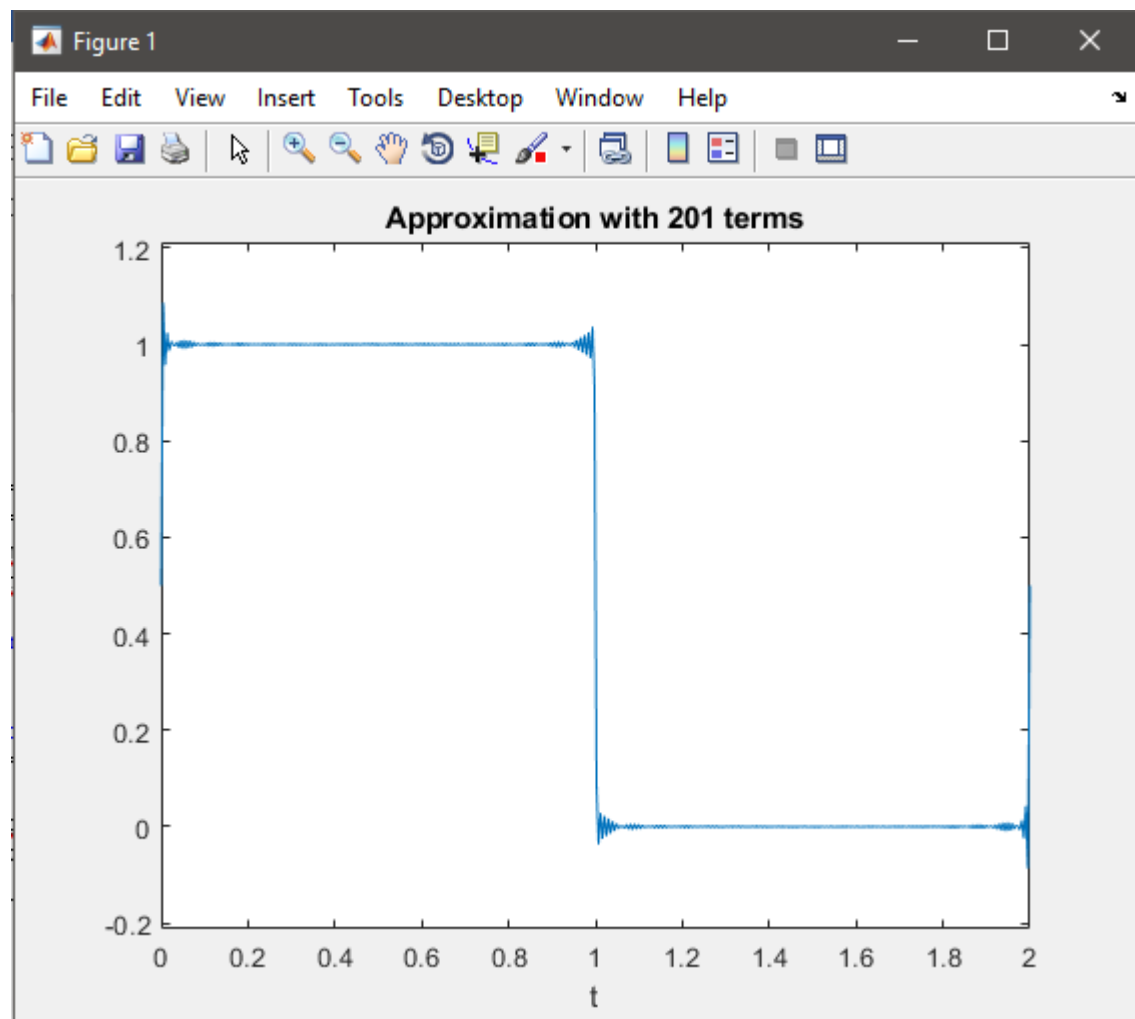
```
t0 = 0;
T = 2;
w = 2*pi/T;
syms t
x=heaviside(t)-heaviside(t-1);

a0 = (1/T)*int(x,t,t0,t0+T);
for n = 1:40      %Approximation using 41 terms
    b(n) = (2/T)*int(x*cos(n*w*t),t,t0,t0+T);
end
for n = 1:40      %Approximation using 41 terms
    c(n) = (2/T)*int(x*sin(n*w*t),t,t0,t0+T);
end

k = 1:40;        %Approximation using 41 terms
xx = a0 + sum(b.*cos(k*w*t)) + sum(c.*sin(k*w*t));
ezplot(xx, [t0 t0+T]);
title('Approximation with 41 terms')
```



```
title('Approximation with 201 terms')
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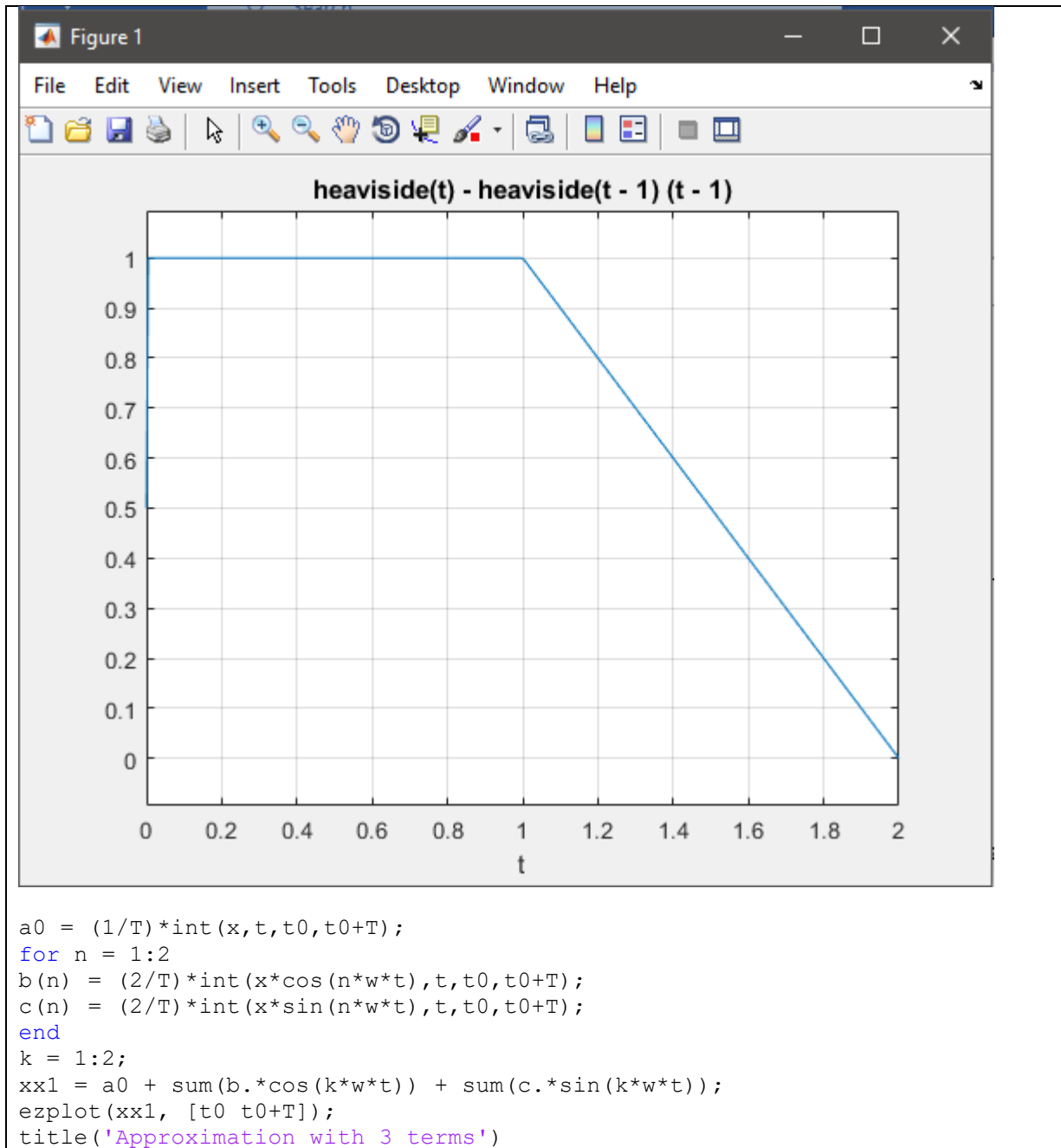


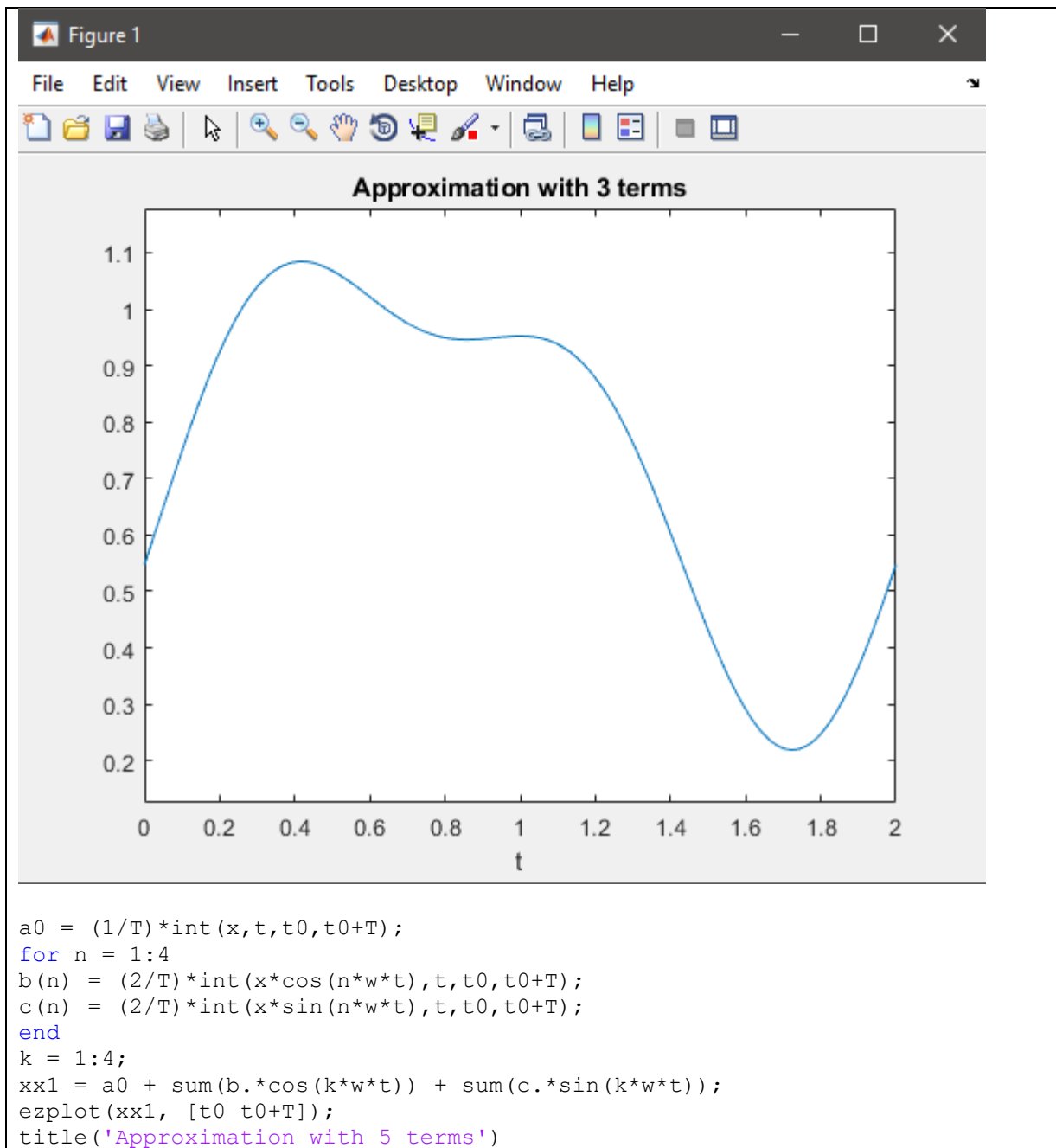
**Task 04:** The periodic signal  $x(t)$  in a period is given by

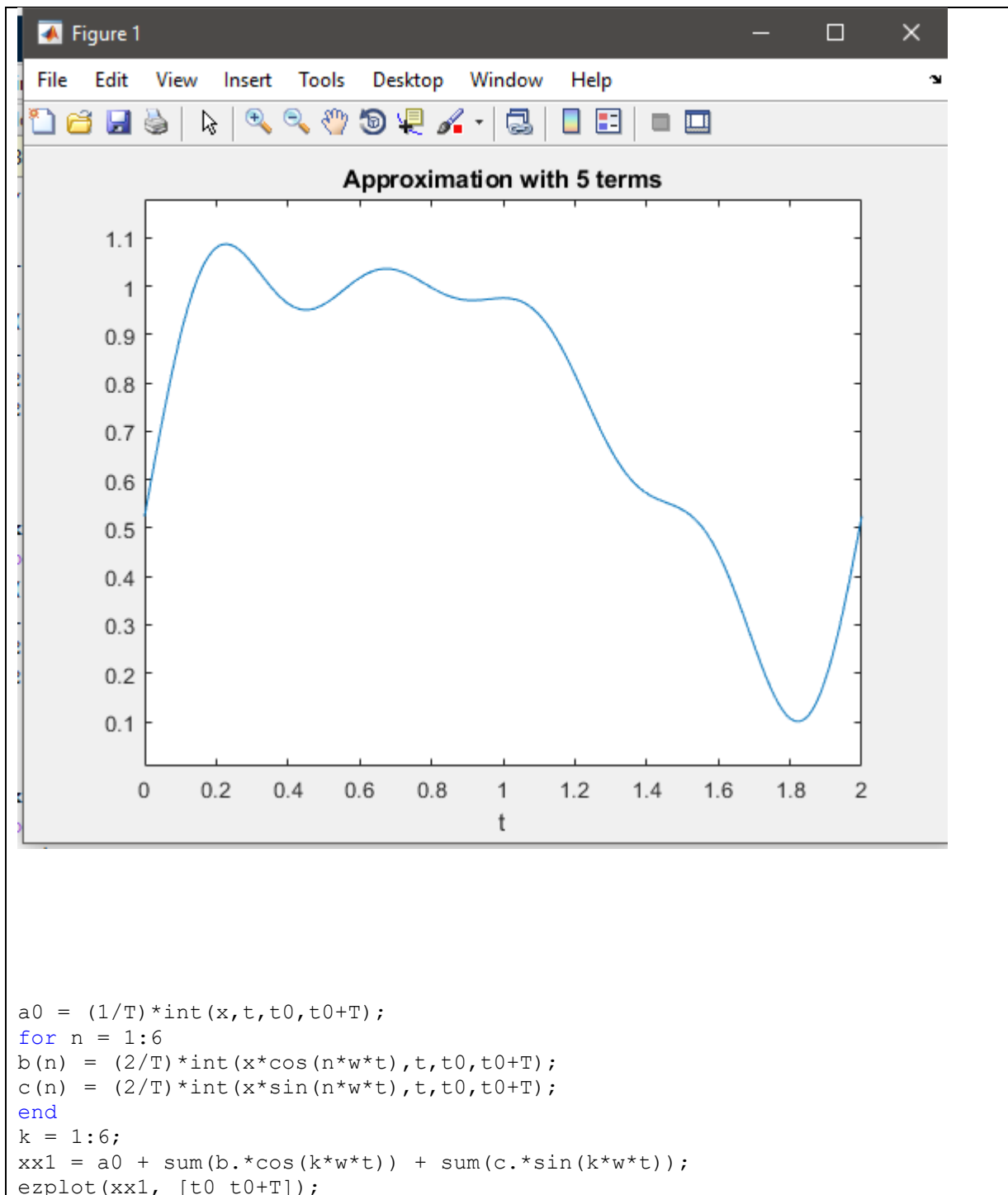
$$x(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq t \leq 1 \\ 2-t, & 1 \leq t \leq 2 \end{cases}$$

Calculate the approximation percentage when the signal  $x(t)$  is approximated by 3, 5, 7, and 17 terms of the trigonometric Fourier series. Furthermore, plot the signal in each case.

```
T = 2;
t0 = 0;
w = 2*pi/T;
syms t
x = heaviside(t) + ((heaviside(t-1)) .* (1-t));
ezplot(x, [t0 t0+T]), grid on
```

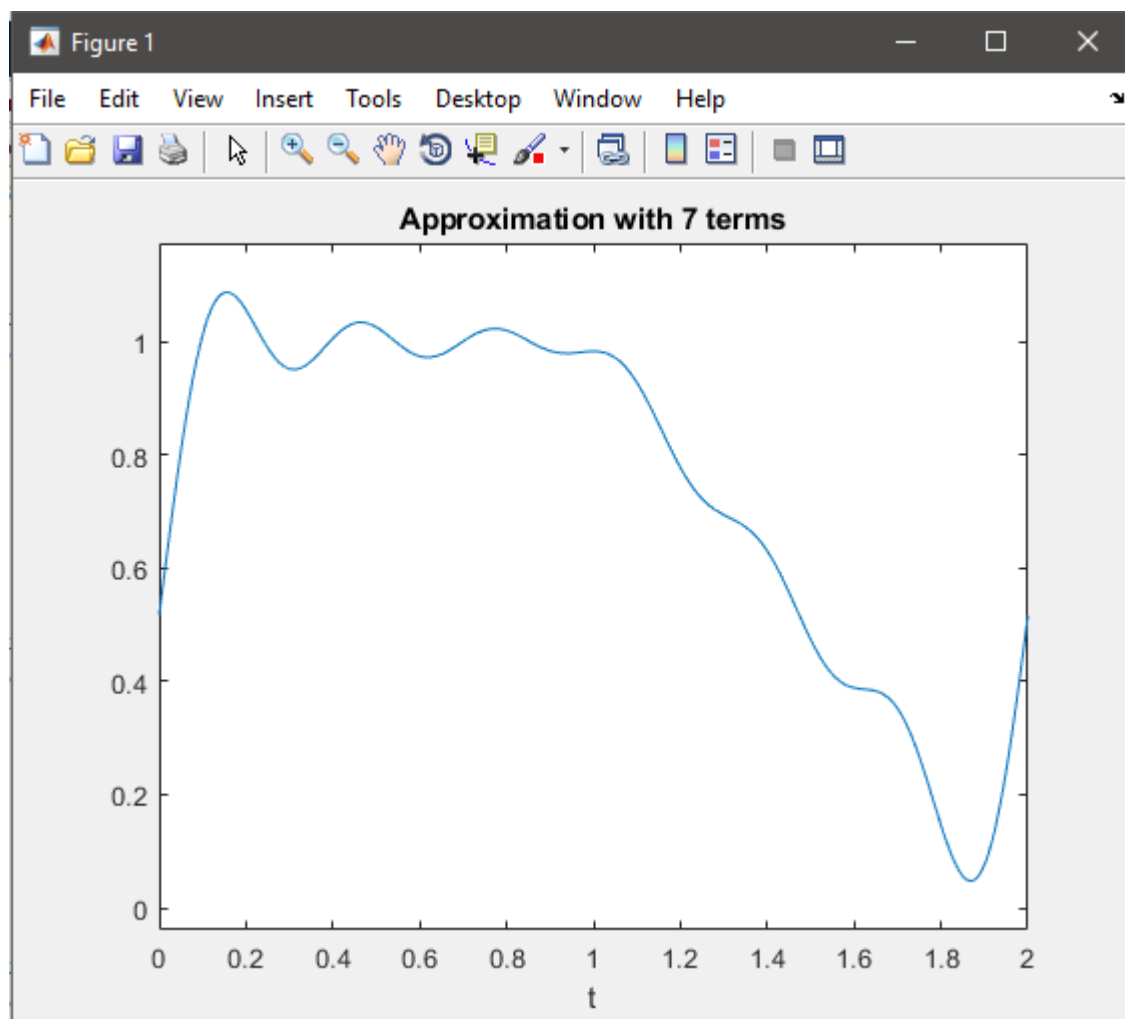






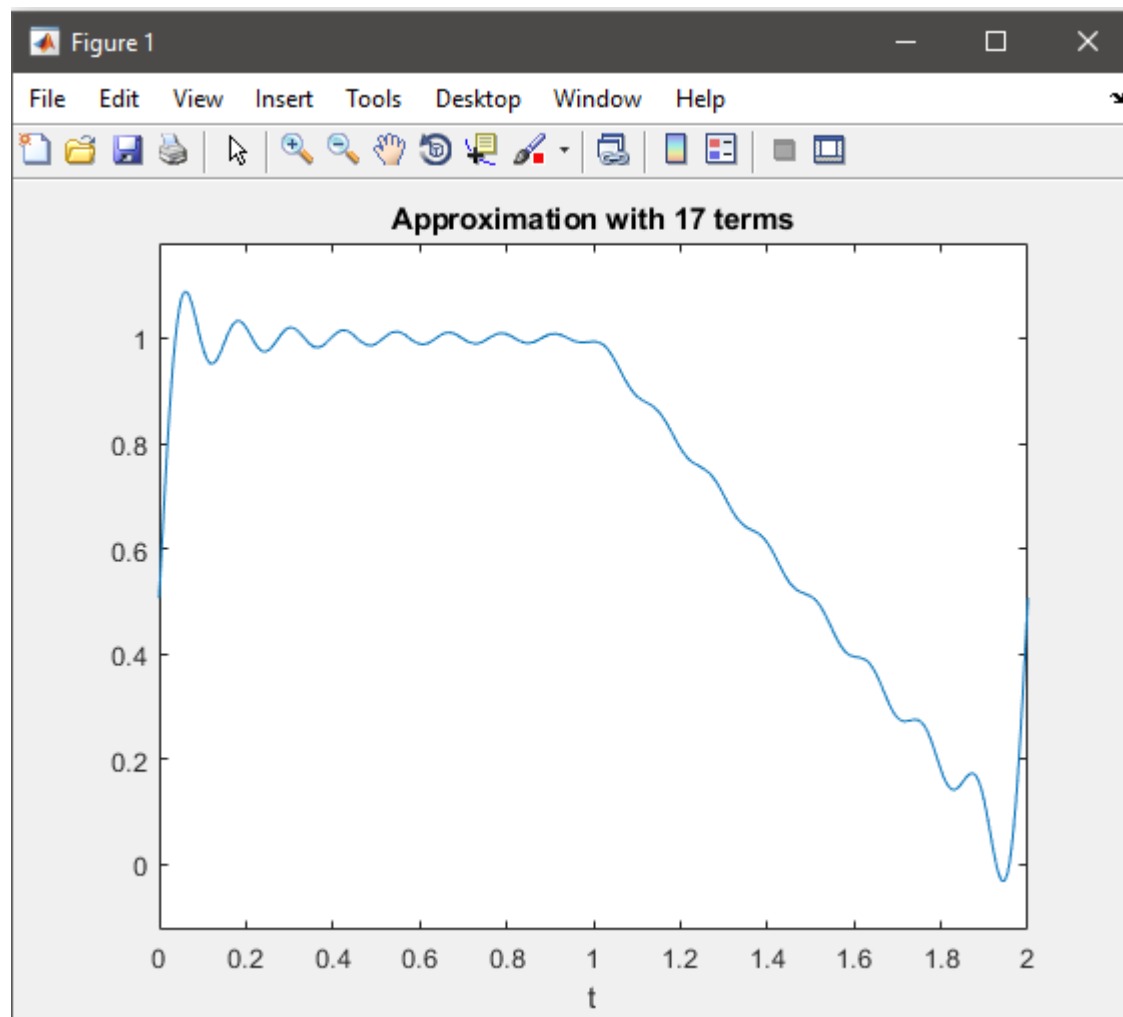


```
title('Approximation with 7 terms')
```



```
a0 = (1/T)*int(x,t,t0,t0+T);
for n = 1:16
    b(n) = (2/T)*int(x*cos(n*w*t),t,t0,t0+T);
    c(n) = (2/T)*int(x*sin(n*w*t),t,t0,t0+T);
end
k = 1:16;
xx1 = a0 + sum(b.*cos(k*w*t)) + sum(c.*sin(k*w*t));
ezplot(xx1, [t0 t0+T]);
```

```
title('Approximation with 17 terms')
```



## Post-Lab Task

### Critical Analysis / Conclusion

In this lab, we learnt how to plot signals with approximations and observed the effect with increased number of terms and how to find coefficients “ $a_k$ ” trigonometric Fourier series in MATLAB. Moreover, we plotted and observed the coefficients and angle of trigonometric exponential Fourier series.

Lab Assessment		
Pre-Lab	/1	/10
In-Lab	/5	
Critical Analysis	/4	
Instructor Signature and Comments		