

# Solution Fourier Series Triangle Wave

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## 1 Introduction

### 1.1 General form of Fourier Series

$$f(t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ a_n \cos\left(\frac{2n\pi}{T}t\right) + b_n \sin\left(\frac{2n\pi}{T}t\right) \right] \quad (1)$$

$$a_0 = \frac{2}{T} \int_{-\frac{T}{2}}^{\frac{T}{2}} f(t) dt \quad (2)$$

$$a_n = \frac{2}{T} \int_{-\frac{T}{2}}^{\frac{T}{2}} f(t) \cos\left(\frac{2n\pi}{T}t\right) dt \quad (3)$$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{T} \int_{-\frac{T}{2}}^{\frac{T}{2}} f(t) \sin\left(\frac{2n\pi}{T}t\right) dt \quad (4)$$

### 1.2 Wave form

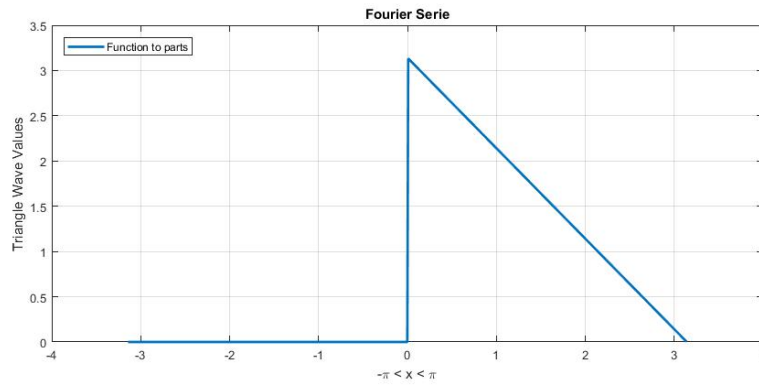


Figure 1: Triangle Wave

### 1.3 Function to parts

$$f(t) \begin{cases} 0 & -\pi < t < 0 \\ \pi - t & 0 < t < \pi \end{cases} \quad T = 2\pi \quad (5)$$

### 1.4 Solution $a_0$

$$a_0 = \frac{2}{T} \int_{-\frac{T}{2}}^{\frac{T}{2}} f(t) dt = \frac{2}{2\pi} \int_{-\frac{2\pi}{2}}^0 0 dt + \frac{2}{2\pi} \int_0^{\frac{2\pi}{2}} (\pi - t) dt \quad (6)$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 &= \frac{2}{2\pi} \int_0^{\frac{2\pi}{2}} (\pi - t) dt = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} (\pi - t) dt \\ a_0 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_0^{\pi} \pi dt - \int_0^{\pi} t dt \right] \\ a_0 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \pi t - \frac{t^2}{2} \right]_0^{\pi} = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \pi(\pi) - \frac{\pi^2}{2} \right] = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{2\pi^2 - \pi^2}{2} \right] \\ a_0 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{\pi^2}{2} \right] = \frac{\pi}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{a_0 = \frac{\pi}{2}} \quad (7)$$

### 1.5 Solution $a_n$

$$a_n = \frac{2}{T} \int_{-\frac{T}{2}}^{\frac{T}{2}} f(t) \cos\left(\frac{2n\pi}{T}t\right) dt \quad (8)$$

$$a_n = \frac{2}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^0 0 \cdot \cos\left(\frac{2n\pi}{2\pi}t\right) dt + \frac{2}{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} (\pi - x) \cos\left(\frac{2n\pi}{2\pi}t\right) dt \quad (9)$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} (\pi - x) \cos(nt) dt = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_0^{\pi} \pi \cos(nt) dt - \int_0^{\pi} t \cos(nt) dt \right]$$

According to integration tables

$$\int \cos(nt) dt = \frac{1}{n} \sin(nt)$$

$$\boxed{a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \left\{ \left[ \frac{\pi}{n} \sin(nt) \right]_0^{\pi} - \int_0^{\pi} t \cos(nt) dt \right\}}$$

Integration Methods (Integration by parts)

$$\int t \cos(nt) dt \rightarrow uV - \int V du \quad (10)$$

$$\begin{aligned} u &= t & dv &= \cos(nt) dt \\ \frac{du}{dt} &= 1 & \int dv &= \cos(nt) dt \\ du &= dt & V &= \frac{1}{n} \sin(nt) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} uV - \int V du &\rightarrow t \cdot \frac{1}{n} \sin(nt) - \int \frac{1}{n} \sin(nt) dt \\ \frac{t}{n} \sin(nt) - \frac{1}{n} \int \sin(nt) dt &\rightarrow \frac{t}{n} \sin(nt) + \frac{1}{n^2} \cos(nt) \\ a_n &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left\{ \left[ \frac{t}{n} \sin(nt) \right]_0^\pi - \left[ \frac{1}{n^2} \cos(nt) + \frac{t}{n} \sin(nt) \right]_0^\pi \right\} \\ a_n &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left\{ \frac{\pi}{n} \sin(n\pi) - \frac{1}{n^2} \cos(n\pi) - \frac{\pi}{n} \sin(n\pi) + \frac{1}{n^2} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\sin(n\pi) = 0$$

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

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

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi n^2} - \frac{(-1)^n}{\pi n^2}$$

$$\boxed{a_n = \frac{1 - (-1)^n}{\pi n^2}} \quad (11)$$

## 1.6 Solution $b_n$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{T} \int_{-\frac{T}{2}}^{\frac{T}{2}} f(t) \sin\left(\frac{2n\pi}{T} t\right) dt \quad (12)$$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} (\pi - t) \sin\left(\frac{2n\pi}{2\pi} t\right) dt = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_0^\pi \pi \sin(nt) dt - t \sin(nt) dt \right] \quad (13)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
b_n &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_0^\pi \pi \sin(nt) dt - \int_0^\pi t \sin(nt) dt \right] \\
\int t \sin(nt) dt &= \frac{1}{n^2} \sin(nt) - \frac{t}{n} \cos(nt) \\
b_n &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{-\pi}{n} \cos(nt) - \frac{1}{n^2} \sin(nt) + \frac{t}{n} \cos(nt) \right]_0^\pi \\
b_n &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{-\pi}{n} \cos(n\pi) + \frac{\pi}{n} - \frac{1}{n^2} \sin(n\pi) + \frac{\pi}{n} \cos(n\pi) \right] \\
\sin(n\pi) &= 0 \\
\boxed{b_n} &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{\pi}{n} \right] = \frac{1}{n}
\end{aligned}$$

## 1.7 Coefficients

$$a_0 = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad a_n = \frac{1 - (-1)^n}{\pi n^2} \quad b_n = \frac{1}{n} \quad (14)$$

## 1.8 Replacing coefficients

$$f(t) = \frac{\pi}{4} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1 - (-1)^n}{\pi n^2} \cos\left(\frac{2n\pi}{T}t\right) + \frac{1}{n} \sin\left(\frac{2n\pi}{T}t\right) \right] \quad (15)$$

### 1.8.1 Evaluation of variable n

With  $n = 1$

$$f(t)_{n=1} = \frac{\pi}{4} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1 - (-1)^1}{(\pi)1^2} \cos\left(\frac{2(1)\pi}{2\pi}t\right) + \frac{1}{1} \sin\left(\frac{2(1)\pi}{2\pi}t\right) \right]$$

With  $n = 2$

$$f(t)_{n=2} = \frac{\pi}{4} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ f(t)_{n=1} + \frac{1 - (-1)^2}{(\pi)2^2} \cos\left(\frac{2(2)\pi}{2\pi}t\right) + \frac{1}{2} \sin\left(\frac{2(2)\pi}{2\pi}t\right) \right]$$

With  $n = 3$

$$f(t)_{n=3} = \dots\dots\dots$$

With  $n = 4$

$$f(t)_{n=4} = \dots\dots\dots$$