1. Let 
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & -\pi < x < -\frac{\pi}{2} \\ 2, & -\frac{\pi}{2} \le x < \frac{\pi}{2} \\ 0, & \frac{\pi}{2} \le x < \pi \end{cases}$$

(a) Find the Fourier series of f.

$$a_{0} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x)dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{-\pi}^{-\frac{\pi}{2}} 0dx + \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} 2dx + \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\pi} 0dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ 2\pi \right]$$

$$= 2$$

$$b_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin(kx) dx$$
$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin(kx) dx$$
$$= 0 \quad [\sin \text{ is odd}]$$

$$a_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos(kx) dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos(kx) dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{k\pi} \left[ \sin(kx) \right]_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{2}{k\pi} \left[ 2 \sin\left(\frac{k\pi}{2}\right) \right]$$

$$= \frac{4}{k\pi} \sin\left(\frac{k\pi}{2}\right)$$

This is 0 for even elements, and alternating between 1 and -1 for odd elements.

Therefore the Fourier polynomial (for the non-zero terms) is

$$1 + \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{4(-1)^{l+1}}{(2l-1)\pi} \cos((2l-1)x) \right]$$

(b) Determine if the Fourier series in part (a) converges. If it does converge, what are the values to which it converges (on  $[-\pi, \pi]$ ).

The function is continuous on its partitions (they are constant functions), so by the theorem the polynomial converges to f(x) on the continuous intervals. On the discontinuities, it converges to 0 at  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  and  $\frac{-\pi}{2}$  from the Fundemental theorem, and to 0 at  $\pi$  and  $-\pi$ .

(c) Use symbolic algebra software to sketch f(x) and its  $4^{th}$  degree Fourier polynomial over the interval  $[-3\pi, 3\pi]$ .



2. (a) Find the Fourier series of the function f(x) defined by  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & , -\pi \le x < 0 \\ x & , 0 \le x < \pi \end{cases}$  and extended from this with period  $2\pi$  to all of  $\mathbb{R}$ .

If this Fourier series converges describe the function to which it converges.

$$a_{0} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{-\pi}^{0} f(x) dx + \int_{0}^{\pi} f(x) dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{-\pi}^{0} f(x) dx + \int_{0}^{\pi} f(x) dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{-\pi}^{0} 0 dx + \int_{0}^{\pi} x \sin(kx) dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left[ x^{2} \right]_{0}^{\pi} \right]$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$a_{k} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos(kx) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{-\pi}^{0} 0 dx + \int_{0}^{\pi} x \cos(kx) dx \right]$$

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$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{-\pi}^{0} 0 dx + \int_{0}^{\pi} x \cos(kx) dx \right]$$
Therefore the Fourier series of  $f$  is
$$f(x) = \frac{\pi}{4} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{(-1)^{k} - 1}{k^{2}\pi} \cos(kx) + \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{k} \sin(kx) \right]$$

$$= -\frac{1}{k\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{\pi} \sin(kx) dx \right]$$

Since f is piecewise very smooth (0, x are infinitely differentiable), the series converges to f on  $(-\pi, \pi)$  and on both endpoints, it converges to  $\frac{\pi}{2}$ .

(b) Using the series from part (a) show that

 $= \frac{1}{k^2 \pi} \Big[ \cos(kx) \Big]_0^{\pi}$ 

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

$$\frac{\pi^2}{8} = 1 + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \frac{1}{7^2} + \cdots$$

$$F(0) = \frac{\pi}{4} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{(-1)^k - 1}{k^2 \pi} \right]$$

$$\frac{\pi}{4} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{2}{(2k-1)^2 \pi} \right]$$

$$\frac{\pi^2}{8} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2k-1)^2}$$

3. Find the Fourier series for the restriction of the function f(x) = 3+3x to each of the following intervals, [a, b]. If the Fourier series converges, to what values will the series converge at the end points?

(a) 
$$[a, b] = [-\pi, \pi]$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} 3 + 3x dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ 6\pi + \frac{3}{2} \left[ x^2 \right]_{-\pi}^{\pi} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ 6\pi + 0 \right]$$

$$= 6$$

$$b_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin(kx) dx$$

$$= \frac{3}{\pi} \left[ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin(kx) dx + \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x \sin(kx) dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{6}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{\pi} x \sin(kx) dx \right]$$
 [Since  $x$  and  $\sin$  odd]

Let  $u = x, du = 1 dx, dv = \sin(kx) dx, v = -\frac{\cos(kx)}{k}$ 

$$= \frac{6}{\pi} \left[ -\frac{1}{k} \left[ x \cos(kx) \right]_{0}^{\pi} + \frac{1}{k} \int_{0}^{\pi} \cos(kx) dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{6}{k\pi} \left[ \pi (-1)^{k+1} + \frac{1}{k} \left[ \sin(kx) \right]_{0}^{\pi} \right]$$

$$= \frac{6(-1)^{k+1}}{k}$$

$$a_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos(kx) dx$$

$$= \frac{3}{\pi} \left[ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos(kx) dx + \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x \cos(kx) dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{6}{k\pi} \left[ \sin(kx) \right]_{0}^{\pi} \text{ [Since } x \text{ odd and cos even]}$$

$$= 0$$

Therefore the Fourier series is defined as

$$F(x) = 3 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{6(-1)^{k+1}}{k} \sin(kx)$$

Linear functions are infinitely differentiable so it will converge to f(x) within the interval, and coverges to 3 at the endpoints.

(b) 
$$[a, b] = [0, 2\pi]$$

$$a_{0} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx \qquad b_{k} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin(kx) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{0}^{2\pi} 3 + 3x dx \qquad = \frac{3}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} \sin(kx) dx + \int_{0}^{2\pi} x \sin(kx) dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ 6\pi + \frac{3}{2} \left[ x^{2} \right]_{0}^{2\pi} \right] \qquad \text{Let } u = x, du = 1 dx, dv = \sin(kx) dx, v = -\frac{\cos(kx)}{k}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ 6\pi + 6\pi^{2} \right] \qquad = \frac{3}{k\pi} \left[ \left[ \cos(kx) \right]_{0}^{2\pi} - \left[ x \cos(kx) \right]_{0}^{2\pi} + \int_{0}^{2\pi} \cos(kx) dx \right]$$

$$= 6(\pi + 1) \qquad = \frac{3}{k\pi} \left[ -2\pi + \frac{1}{k} \left[ \sin(kx) \right]_{0}^{2\pi} \right]$$

$$= -\frac{6}{k}$$

$$= \frac{3}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} \cos(kx) dx + \int_{0}^{2\pi} x \cos(kx) dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{3}{\pi} \left[ \left[ \sin(kx) \right]_{0}^{2\pi} + \left[ x \sin(kx) \right]_{0}^{2\pi} - \int_{0}^{2\pi} \sin(kx) dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{3}{k\pi} \left[ \left[ \sin(kx) \right]_{0}^{2\pi} + \left[ x \sin(kx) \right]_{0}^{2\pi} - \int_{0}^{2\pi} \sin(kx) dx \right]$$

$$= -\frac{3}{k^{2}\pi} \left[ \cos(kx) \right]_{0}^{2\pi}$$

Therefore the Fourier series is defined as

$$F(x) = 3(\pi + 1) - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{6}{k} \sin(kx)$$

Linear functions are infinitely differentiable so it will converge to f(x) within the interval, and coverges to  $3 + 3\pi$  at the endpoints.

4. Find the Fourier series of the function f(x) defined on  $[0,2\pi]$  by  $f(x)=x(x-2\pi)$  and extended from this with period  $2\pi$  to all of  $\mathbb{R}$ . Use symbolic algebra software to graph the  $4^{th}$  degree Fourier polynomial together with the original function.

$$\begin{array}{lll} b_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin(kx) dx & a_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos(kx) dx \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{0}^{2\pi} x(x-2\pi) dx & = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \cos(kx) dx - 2\pi \int_{0}^{2\pi} x \cos(kx) dx \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(kx) dx - 2\pi \int_{0}^{2\pi} x \sin(kx) dx \right] & \text{Let } u = x^2, du = 2x dx, dv = \cos(kx) dx, v = \frac{\sin(kx)}{k} \\ \text{Let } u = x, du = dx, dv = \sin(kx), v = -\frac{1}{k} \cos(kx) & = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{k} \left[ x^2 \sin(kx) \right]_{0}^{2\pi} - \frac{2}{k} \int_{0}^{2\pi} x \sin(kx) dx \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(kx) dx - 2\pi \left( -\frac{1}{k} \left[ x \cos(kx) \right]_{0}^{2\pi} \right] \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(kx) dx - 2\pi \left( -\frac{2\pi}{k} \right) \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(kx) dx - 2\pi \left( -\frac{2\pi}{k} \right) \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(kx) dx - 2\pi \left( -\frac{2\pi}{k} \right) \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(kx) dx - 2\pi \left( -\frac{2\pi}{k} \right) \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(kx) dx - 2\pi \left( -\frac{2\pi}{k} \right) \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(kx) dx - 2\pi \left( -\frac{2\pi}{k} \right) \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(kx) dx - 2\pi \left( -\frac{2\pi}{k} \right) \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(kx) dx - 2\pi \left( -\frac{2\pi}{k} \right) \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(kx) dx - 2\pi \left( -\frac{2\pi}{k} \right) \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(kx) dx - 2\pi \left( -\frac{2\pi}{k} \right) \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(kx) dx - 2\pi \left( -\frac{2\pi}{k} \right) \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(kx) dx - 2\pi \left( -\frac{2\pi}{k} \right) \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(kx) dx - 2\pi \left( -\frac{2\pi}{k} \right) \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(kx) dx - 2\pi \left( -\frac{2\pi}{k} \right) \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(kx) dx - 2\pi \left( -\frac{2\pi}{k} \right) \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(kx) dx - 2\pi \left( -\frac{2\pi}{k} \right) \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(kx) dx - 2\pi \left( -\frac{2\pi}{k} \right) \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(kx) dx - 2\pi \left( -\frac{2\pi}{k} \right) \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(kx) dx - 2\pi \left( -\frac{2\pi}{k} \right) \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(kx) dx - 2\pi \left( -\frac{2\pi}{k} \right) \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(kx) dx - 2\pi \left( -\frac{2\pi}{k} \right) \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(kx) dx - 2\pi \left( -\frac{2\pi}{k} \right) \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(kx) dx - 2\pi \left( -\frac{2\pi}{k} \right) \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(kx) dx - 2\pi \left( -\frac$$

$$a_{0} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x)dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{0}^{2\pi} x(x - 2\pi)dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{0}^{2\pi} x^{2}dx - \int_{0}^{2\pi} 2x\pi dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{3} \left[ x^{3} \right]_{0}^{2\pi} - \pi \left[ x^{2} \right]_{0}^{2\pi} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{8\pi^{3}}{3} - 4\pi^{3} \right]$$

$$= -\frac{4\pi^{2}}{3}$$

Therefore the Fourier series of f is

$$F(x) = -\frac{2\pi^2}{3} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{k^2} \cos(kx)$$



- 5. Let f(x) be defined on  $[0, 2\pi]$  by  $f(x) = x(x 2\pi)$ .
  - (a) Find the Fourier cosine series of f.

From question 4, we can see that the function is already even, hence the Fourier series of the function itself is a cosine series of f. Namely

$$F(x) = -\frac{2\pi^2}{3} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{k^2} \cos(kx)$$

(b) Find the Fourier sine series of f.

To extend this as an odd function, define the f on the range  $[-2\pi, 0]$  as  $f(x) = -((x+2\pi)((x+2\pi)-2\pi)) = -x(x+2\pi)$ . Note that this definition of f now has a period of  $4\pi$ .

$$\begin{split} b_k &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-2\pi}^{2\pi} f(x) \sin\left(\frac{kx}{2}\right) dx \\ &= -\frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{-2\pi}^0 x(x+2\pi) \sin\left(\frac{kx}{2}\right) dx \right] \quad [f \text{ and sin are both odd so the integrand is even}] \\ &= -\frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{-2\pi}^0 x^2 \sin\left(\frac{kx}{2}\right) dx + 2\pi \int_{-2\pi}^0 x \sin\left(\frac{kx}{2}\right) dx \right] \\ \text{Let } u &= x^2, \ du &= 2x dx, \ dv &= \sin\left(\frac{kx}{2}\right) dx, \ v &= -\frac{2\cos(\frac{kx}{2})}{k} \\ &= -\frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -\frac{2}{k} \left[ x^2 \cos\left(\frac{kx}{2}\right) \right]_{-2\pi}^0 + \frac{4}{k} \int_{-2\pi}^0 x \cos\left(\frac{kx}{2}\right) dx + 2\pi \int_{-2\pi}^0 x \sin\left(\frac{kx}{2}\right) dx \right] \\ &= -\frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{8\pi^2(-1)^k}{k} + \frac{4}{k} \int_{-2\pi}^0 x \cos\left(\frac{kx}{2}\right) dx + 2\pi \int_{-2\pi}^0 x \sin\left(\frac{kx}{2}\right) dx \right] \\ \text{Let } u &= x, \ du &= dx, \ dv &= \cos\left(\frac{kx}{2}\right), \ v &= \frac{2}{k} \sin\left(\frac{kx}{2}\right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{8\pi^2}{k} (-1)^k + \frac{4}{k^2} \left[ x \sin\left(\frac{kx}{2}\right) \right]_{-2\pi}^0 - \frac{8}{k^2} \int_{-2\pi}^0 \sin\left(\frac{kx}{2}\right) dx + 2\pi \int_{-2\pi}^0 x \sin\left(\frac{kx}{2}\right) dx \right] \\ &= -\frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{8\pi^2}{k} (-1)^k + \frac{16}{k^3} \left[ \cos\left(\frac{kx}{2}\right) \right]_{-2\pi}^0 + 2\pi \int_{-2\pi}^0 x \sin\left(\frac{kx}{2}\right) dx \right] \\ \text{Let } u &= x, \ du &= dx, \ dv &= \sin\left(\frac{kx}{2}\right) dx, \ v &= -\frac{2\cos(\frac{kx}{2})}{k} \\ &= -\frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{8\pi^2}{k} (-1)^k + \frac{16}{k^3} (1 - (-1)^k) + \frac{4\pi}{k} \left( - \left[ x \cos\left(\frac{kx}{2}\right) \right]_{-2\pi}^0 + \int_{-2\pi}^0 \cos\left(\frac{kx}{2}\right) dx \right) \right] \\ &= -\frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{8\pi^2}{k} (-1)^k + \frac{16}{k^3} (1 - (-1)^k) + \frac{4\pi}{k} \left( 2\pi (-1)^{k+1} + \frac{2}{k} \left[ \sin\left(\frac{kx}{2}\right) \right]_{-2\pi}^0 \right) \right] \\ &= -\frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{8\pi^2}{k} (-1)^k + \frac{16}{k^3} (1 - (-1)^k) + \frac{4\pi}{k} \left( 2\pi (-1)^{k+1} + \frac{2}{k} \left[ \sin\left(\frac{kx}{2}\right) \right]_{-2\pi}^0 \right) \right] \\ &= -\frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{8\pi^2}{k} (-1)^k + \frac{16}{k^3} (1 - (-1)^k) + \frac{8\pi^2}{k} (-1)^{k+1} \right] \\ &= \frac{16}{k^3\pi} ((-1)^k - 1) \\ a_0 &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-2\pi}^{2\pi} f(x) dx \\ &= 0 \quad [\text{Since } f \text{ is defined odd}] \end{aligned}$$

The Fourier sine series is thusly

$$F(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{16}{k^3 \pi} ((-1)^k - 1) \sin\left(\frac{kx}{2}\right)$$

(c) Use symbolic algebra software to graph the  $4^{th}$  degree Fourier polynomials from parts (a) and (b) together with the original function.

Fourier cosine series:



Fourier sine series:



- 6. Find the Fourier series for the following functions:
  - (a)  $f(x) = \sin^2 x + \sin^3 x$

$$\sin^2 x + \sin^3 x = (1/2i)^2 (e^{ix} - e^{-ix})^2 + (1/2i)^3 (e^{ix} - e^{-ix})^3$$
[Binomial Theorem] =  $(-1/4)(e^{2ix} - 2(e^{(ix-ix)}) + e^{-2ix}) + (-1/8i)(e^{3ix} - 3(e^{(2ix-ix)}) + 3(e^{(ix-2ix)}) - e^{-3ix})$ 

$$= (-1/4)(e^{2ix} + e^{-2ix} - 2) + (-1/8i)(e^{3ix} - e^{-3ix} - 3(e^{(ix)}) + 3(e^{(-ix)}))$$

$$= (-1/2)(\cos(2x) - 2) + (-1/4)(\sin(3x) - 3\sin(x))$$

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

(b)  $f(x) = \sin^4 x$ 

$$\sin^4 x = (1/2i)^4 (e^{ix} - e^{-ix})^4$$
[Binomial Theorem] =  $(1/16)(e^{4ix} - 4e^{3ix-ix} + 6e^{2ix-2ix} - 4e^{ix-3ix} + e^{4ix})$ 
=  $(1/16)(6 - 4e^{2ix} - 4e^{-2ix} + e^{4ix} + e^{4ix})$ 
=  $(1/8)(3 - 4\cos(2x) + \cos(4x))$ 
=  $\frac{3}{8} - \frac{1}{2}\cos(2x) + \frac{1}{8}\cos(4x)$ 

(c)  $f(x) = \cos^7 x$ 

$$\cos^{7} x = (1/2)^{7} (e^{ix} + e^{-ix})^{7}$$
[Binomial Theorem] =  $(1/128)(e^{7ix} + 7e^{6ix-ix} + 21e^{5ix-2ix} + 35e^{4ix-3ix} + 35e^{3ix-4ix} + 21e^{2ix-5ix} + 7e^{ix-6ix} + e^{-7ix})$ 
=  $(1/128)(35e^{ix} + 35e^{-ix} + 21e^{3ix} + 21e^{-3ix} + 7e^{5ix} + 7e^{-5ix} + e^{7ix} + e^{-7ix})$ 
=  $(1/64)(35\cos(x) + 21\cos(3x) + 7\cos(5x) + \cos(7x))$ 
=  $\frac{35}{64}\cos(x) + \frac{21}{64}\cos(3x) + \frac{7}{64}\cos(5x) + \frac{1}{64}\cos(7x))$ 

( *Hint*: Recall that 
$$\cos\theta = \frac{e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta}}{2}$$
 and  $\sin\theta = \frac{e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta}}{2i}$ )

The next question is for those among you who have previously seen complex numbers. It gives another approach to Fourier series.

- 7. Suppose
  - i. f(x) is a real values function of x,
  - ii.  $f(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} C_n e^{inx}$  on  $[-\pi, \pi]$ , where the  $C_n$  are complex constants, and
  - iii. that the term by term theorem holds true in this case
  - (a) Express the  $C_n$  as integrals involving f.

Multiplying by  $e^{-ikx}$  on both sides (where  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ) gives the expression:

$$e^{-ikx}f(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} C_n e^{inx} e^{-ikx}$$

$$\implies \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-ikx} f(x) dx = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} C_n e^{inx-ikx} dx$$

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-ikx} f(x) dx = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} C_n e^{i(n-k)x} dx \quad [\text{Due to the term by term theorem}]$$

Now there are two cases to consider as  $n \in (-\infty, \infty)$ 

When 
$$n \neq k$$
 When  $n = k$ 

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} C_n e^{i(n-k)x} dx = C_n \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{i(n-k)x} dx \qquad \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} C_n e^{i(n-k)x} dx = C_n \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^0 dx \\
= C_n \frac{1}{i(n-k)} \left[ e^{i(n-k)x} \right]_{-\pi}^{\pi} \qquad = C_n (2\pi) dx \\
= C_n \frac{2}{(n-k)} \frac{1}{2i} \left[ e^{i(n-k)\pi} - e^{-i(n-k)\pi} \right] \\
= C_n \frac{2}{(n-k)} \sin((n-k)\pi) = 0$$

So that means

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-ikx} f(x) dx = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} C_n e^{i(n-k)x} dx$$
$$= 2\pi C_k$$
$$\implies \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-ikx} f(x) dx = C_k$$

(b) Find the Fourier coefficients of f in terms of the  $C_n$ .

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{n = -\infty}^{\infty} C_n \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{inx} dx$$

$$= 2C_0 \text{ [From (a), if } n = 0, \text{ integral is } 2\pi, \text{ o/w } 0 \text{]}$$

$$a_{k} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos(kx) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} C_{n} \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{inx} (e^{ikx} + e^{-ikx}) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} C_{n} \frac{1}{2} \left[ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{i(n+k)x} dx + \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-i(k-n)x} dx \right]$$

Again the integrals are  $2\pi$  respectively when  $n = \pm k$  and 0 otherwise

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[ 2\pi C_{-k} + 2\pi C_k \right]$$
$$= \left[ C_{-k} + C_k \right]$$

$$b_{k} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin(kx) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} C_{n} \frac{1}{2i} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{inx} (e^{ikx} - e^{-ikx}) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} C_{n} \frac{1}{2i} \left[ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{i(n+k)x} dx - \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-i(k-n)x} dx \right]$$

Again the integrals are  $2\pi$  respectively when  $n=\pm k$  and 0 otherwise

$$= -\frac{i}{2\pi} \left[ 2\pi C_{-k} - 2\pi C_k \right]$$
$$= -i \left[ C_{-k} - C_k \right]$$

(c) Find the  $C_n$  in terms of the Fourier coefficients of f.

$$\begin{split} \frac{a_k - ib_k}{2} &= \frac{-\left[C_{-k} - C_k\right] + \left[C_{-k} + C_k\right]}{2} \\ &= \frac{2C_k}{2} \\ &= C_k \end{split}$$

## **Bonus**

Let f(x) be the function (of period  $2\pi$ ) which corresponds to  $y=x^2$  on the interval  $[-\pi,\pi]$ .

(a) Find the Fourier series of the function f(x). If this Fourier series converges describe the function to which it converges.

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx$$
$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x^2 dx$$
$$= \frac{1}{3\pi} \left[ x^3 \right]_{-\pi}^{\pi}$$
$$= \frac{2\pi^2}{3}$$

$$b_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin(kx) dx$$
 Notice that f even, so integral is 0 = 0

$$a_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos(kx) dx$$

(b) Find the value of  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n^2}$  (Hint: Let x=0)