



**MAT 216**

**Linear Algebra & Fourier Analysis**

**PART A**

**Lecture Note**

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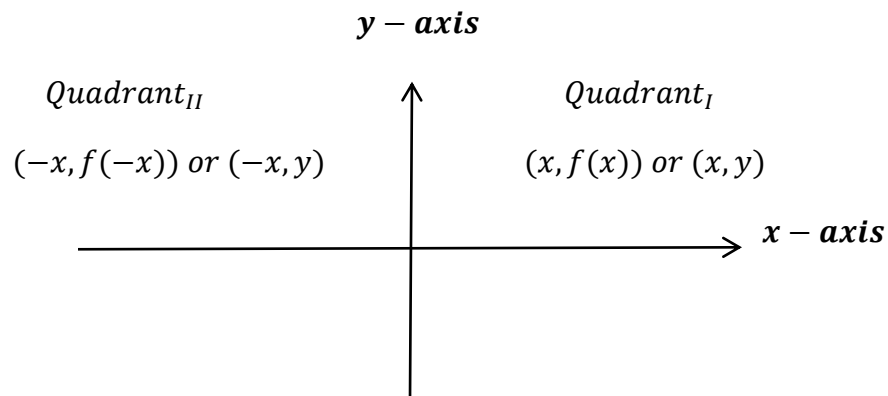
**Reference Book:**

**Schaum's Outline Series Theory problems of Fourier Analysis – Murray R. Spiegel**

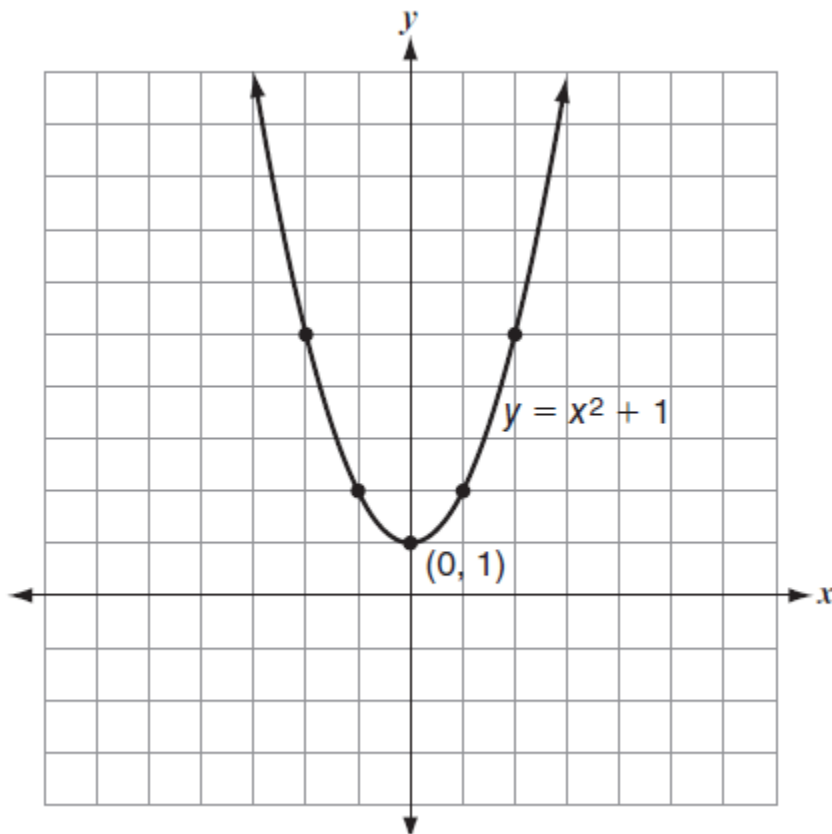
## Odd Even Functions

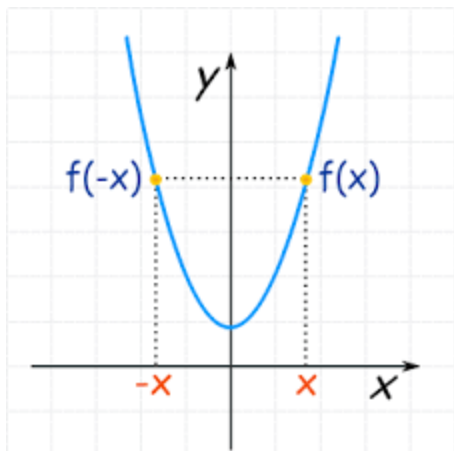
### Even Function

A function is **even** when  $f(x) = f(-x), \forall x$



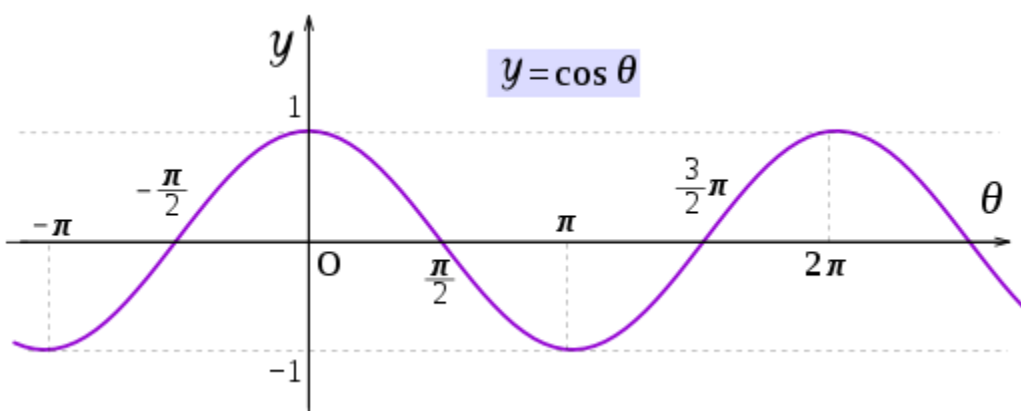
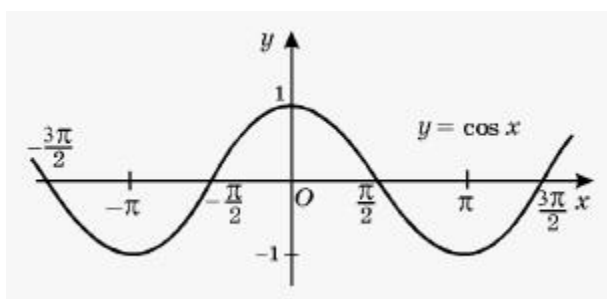
In other words they are symmetric about the  $y - axis$  (like a reflection)





While we observe the curve  $y = x^2 + 1$ , it is vivid that distance from  $x$  - axis to  $f(x)$  and  $f(-x)$  is equivalent.

Examples of **even** function:  $x^2$ ,  $x^4$ ,  $x^6$ ,  $x^8$ ,  $\cos(x)$  etc



An **even** exponent **does not** always make an **even function**.

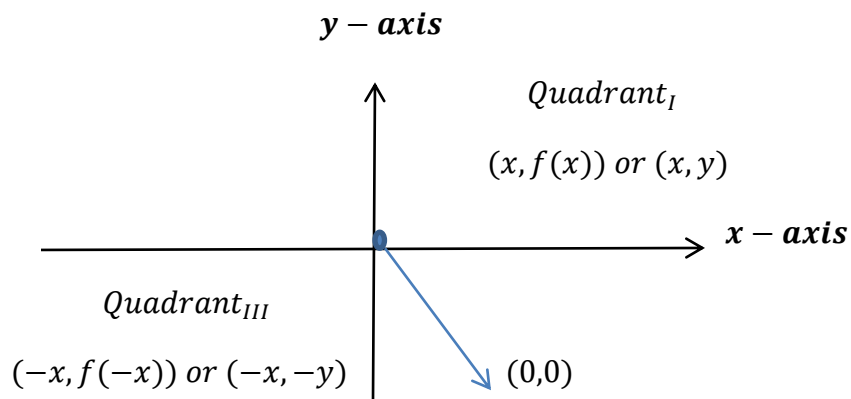
$y = (x + 1)^2$  is not an even function.

$$f(x) = (x + 1)^2 = x^2 + 2x + 1$$

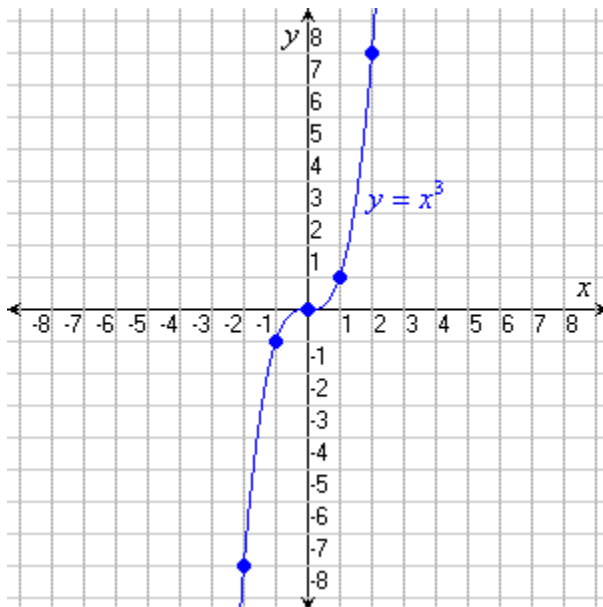
$$f(-x) = (-x + 1)^2 = x^2 - 2x + 1 \quad \therefore f(x) \neq f(-x)$$

## Odd Function:

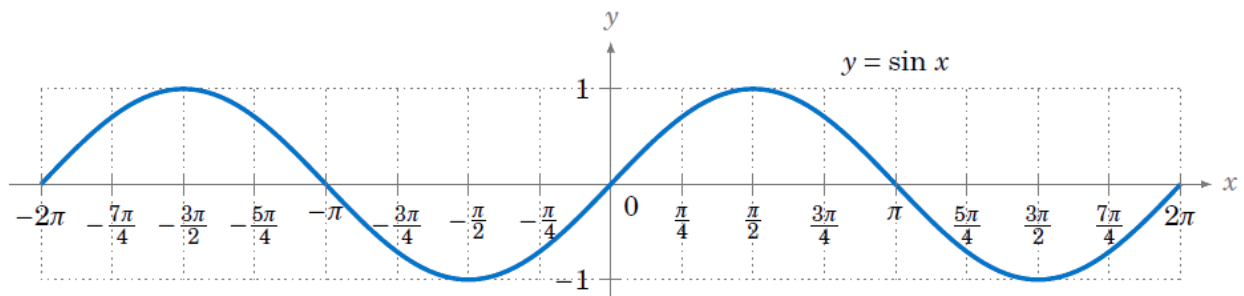
A function is **odd** when  $f(x) = -f(-x), \forall x$



It is symmetric to the origin {i.e.  $(0,0)$ }



Examples of **odd** functions:  $x, x^3, x^5, x^7, \sin(x)$  etc.

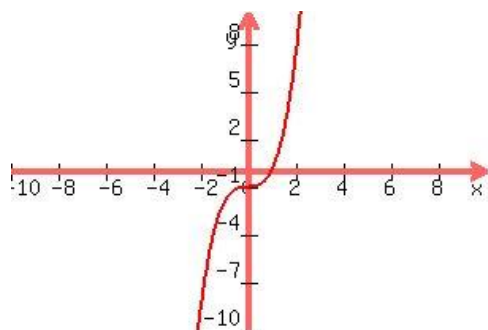


An **odd** exponent does not always make an odd function, for example  $y = x^3 + 1$  is not an odd function.

$$f(x) = x^3 + 1$$

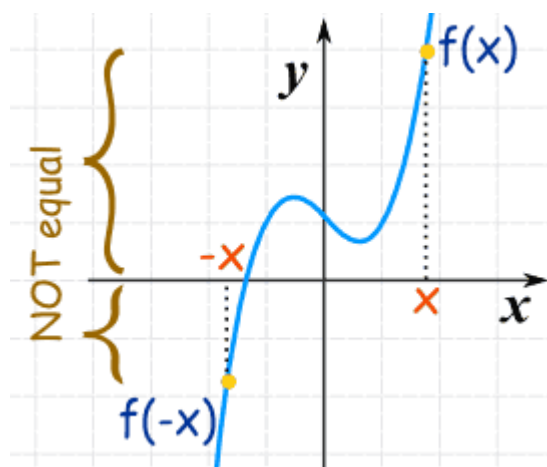
$$-f(-x) = -[(-x)^3 + 1] = -[-x^3 + 1] = x^3 - 1$$

$$\therefore f(x) \neq -f(-x)$$



### Neither Odd nor Even Function:

Most functions are neither odd nor even. For example  $y = x^3 - x + 1$  is **not an odd function**. It is **not an even function** either. It is neither odd nor even.



**Example:** Is  $f(x) = \frac{x}{x^2-1}$  Even or Odd or neither?

$$f(-x) = \frac{(-x)}{[(-x)^2-1]} = \frac{-x}{x^2-1}$$

$\therefore f(x) \neq f(-x)$ ; Which implies it is not an even function.

$$-f(-x) = -\left(\frac{-x}{x^2-1}\right) = \frac{x}{x^2-1}$$

$\therefore f(x) = -f(-x)$ ; Which implies it is an odd function.

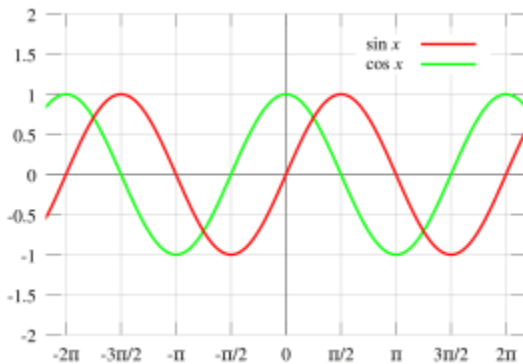
## Even and Odd

The only function that is even and odd is  $f(x) = 0$

## Periodic Function

A periodic function is a function that repeats its values at regular intervals, for example, the trigonometric functions, which repeat at intervals of  $2\pi$ .

Periodic functions are used throughout science to describe oscillations, waves, and other phenomena that exhibit periodicity.



## Fourier Series

A Fourier series is expansion of a periodic function  $f(x)$  in terms of an infinite sum of sine and cosine. It is useful to breakup an arbitrary periodic function into a set of simple terms that can be solved individually.

Fourier series defined by:

$$f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos \frac{n\pi}{L} x + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin \frac{n\pi}{L} x \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

over the interval  $(-L, L)$ , while  $f(x)$  has period  $2L$ .



The distance from  $-L$  to  $L$  is  $2L$ .

- Even part of the function:

$$\frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos \frac{n\pi}{L} x; \text{ } a_0 \text{ is the constant term of even part}$$

- Odd part of the function:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin \frac{n\pi}{L} x$$

## Coefficients:

### Even:

$$a_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi}{L} x \, dx; \quad n = 0, 1, 2, 3 \dots$$

- **Note:**  $\cos(n\pi) = \begin{cases} +1, & \text{for "n" even} \\ -1, & \text{for "n" odd} \end{cases}$
- **Note:** The constant term of **equation (1)** is  $\frac{a_0}{2}$

$$\frac{a_0}{2} = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \cos \frac{(0)\pi}{L} x \, dx = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) (1) \, dx = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \, dx$$

It is the average of  $f(x)$  over a given period.

**Odd:**

$$b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) dx; \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

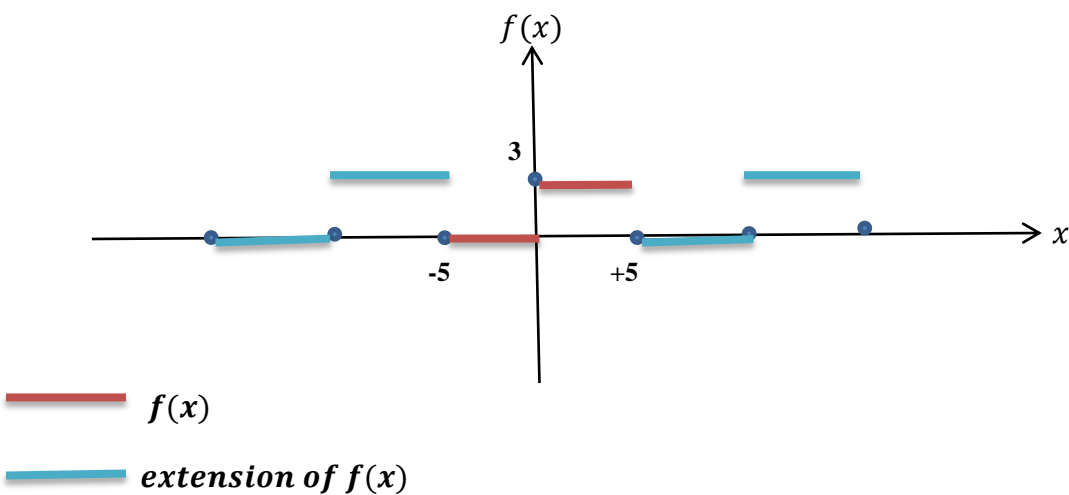
**Note:**  $\sin(n\pi) = 0; \forall n$

### Example

I. Find Fourier Series coefficients corresponding to the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & -5 < x < 0 \\ 3, & 0 < x < 5 \end{cases}; \text{Period} = 10$$

II. Write the corresponding Fourier Series



**I.**  $L = 5, 2L = 10$

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^{+L} f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi}{L}(x) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{5} \int_{-5}^5 f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi}{5}(x) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{5} \left[ \int_{-5}^0 (0) \cos \frac{n\pi}{5}(x) dx + \int_0^5 (3) \cos \frac{n\pi}{5}(x) dx \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{5} \left[ 0 + \int_0^5 (3) \cos \frac{n\pi}{5}(x) dx \right] \end{aligned}$$



$$= \frac{3}{5} \left[ \frac{\sin \frac{n\pi}{5}(x)}{\frac{n\pi}{5}} \right]_0^5 ; n \neq 0 \quad \because n \text{ is in the denominator}$$

$$= \frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{5}{n\pi} \left[ \sin \frac{n\pi}{5}(5) - \sin \frac{n\pi}{5}(0) \right] = \frac{3}{n\pi} [0 - 0] = 0 \quad \because \sin(n\pi) = 0$$

When  $n = 0$  then  $a_n$  becomes  $a_0$

$$a_0 = \frac{3}{5} \int_0^5 \cos \frac{n\pi}{5}(x) dx = \frac{3}{5} \int_0^5 \cos \frac{(0)\pi}{5}(x) dx = \frac{3}{5} \int_0^5 (1) dx = 3; \quad \because \cos(0)^0 = 1$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \sin \frac{n\pi}{L}(x) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{5} \int_{-5}^5 f(x) \sin \frac{n\pi}{5}(x) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{5} \left[ \int_{-5}^0 (0) \sin \frac{n\pi}{5}(x) dx + \int_0^5 (3) \sin \frac{n\pi}{5}(x) dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{5} \left[ 0 + \int_0^5 (3) \sin \frac{n\pi}{5}(x) dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{3}{5} \left[ \int_0^5 \sin \frac{n\pi}{5}(x) dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{3}{5} \left[ \frac{-\cos \frac{n\pi}{5}(x)}{\frac{n\pi}{5}} \right]_0^5$$

$$= \frac{-3}{n\pi} [\cos(n\pi) - 1] \quad \because \cos(0)^0 = 1$$

## II. Corresponding Fourier Series:

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) &= \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( a_n \cos \frac{n\pi}{L}(x) + b_n \sin \frac{n\pi}{L}(x) \right) \\
 &= \frac{3}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( 0 + \frac{3(1 - \cos(n\pi))}{n\pi} \sin \frac{n\pi}{5}(x) \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

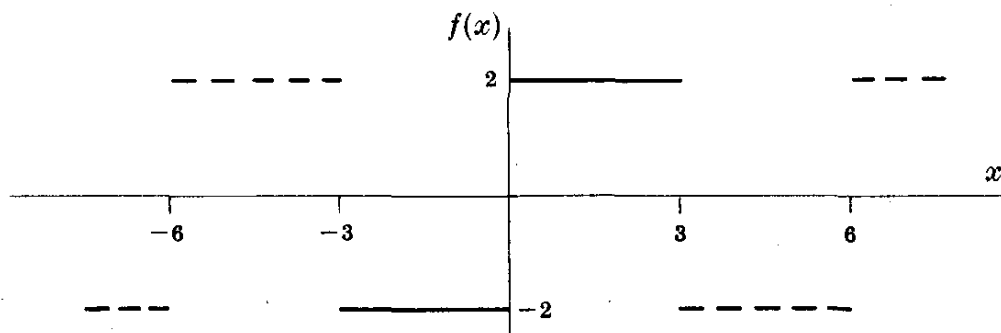

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### Solved Examples from Tutorial:

#### Example 1:

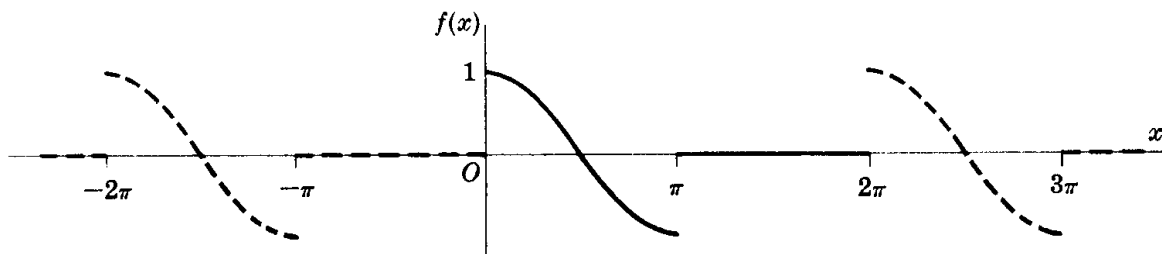
Classify each of the following functions according as they are even, odd, or neither even nor odd.

$$(a) \quad f(x) = \begin{cases} 2 & 0 < x < 3 \\ -2 & -3 < x < 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{Period} = 6$$



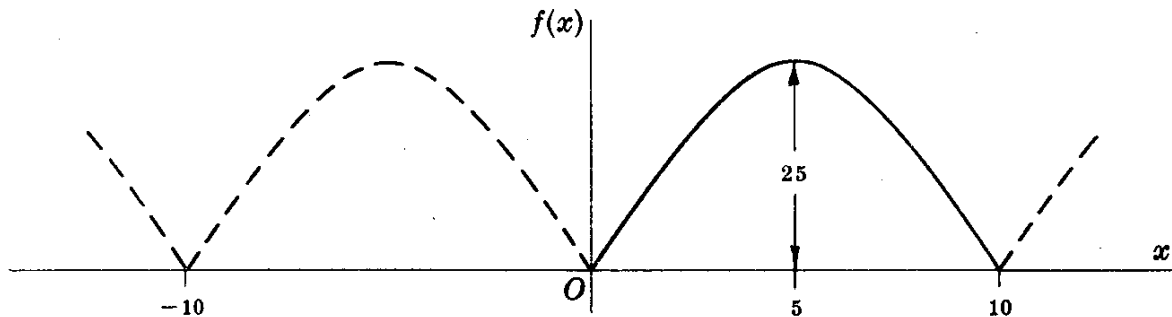
The graph of the function is seen to be odd.

$$(b) \quad f(x) = \begin{cases} \cos x & 0 < x < \pi \\ 0 & \pi < x < 2\pi \end{cases} \quad \text{Period} = 2\pi$$



The graph of the function is neither odd nor even.

(c)  $f(x) = x(10 - x)$ ,  $0 < x < 10$ , Period = 10.



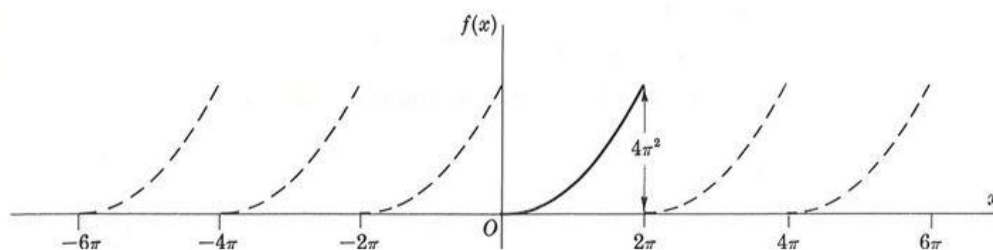
The graph of the function is seen to be even.

### Example 2:

Note: the response from  $-\pi$  to  $\pi$  is exactly the same as from 0 to  $2\pi$  so integrating over either is the same.....and the later is easier

Expand  $f(x) = x^2$ ,  $0 < x < 2\pi$ , in a Fourier series if the period is  $2\pi$ .

The graph of  $f(x)$  with period  $2\pi$  is shown



$$\text{Period} = 2L = 2\pi \quad \therefore L = \pi$$

We know

$$f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos \frac{n\pi}{L}(x) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin \frac{n\pi}{L}(x)$$

Now we will evaluate the coefficients  $a_0, a_n, b_n$

$$\begin{aligned}
a_n &= \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi}{L}(x) dx \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} x^2 \cos \frac{n\pi}{\pi}(x) dx \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} x^2 \cos(nx) dx
\end{aligned}$$

let  $x^2 = u$  and  $\cos(nx) = v$ , applying  $\int (uv)dx = u \int v dx - \int \left\{ \frac{d}{dx}(u) \int (v)dx \right\} dx$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ x^2 \left( \frac{\sin(nx)}{n} \right) - \int 2x \left( \frac{\sin(nx)}{n} \right) dx \right]$$

let  $u = 2x$ , and  $v = \frac{\sin(nx)}{n}$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ x^2 \frac{\sin(nx)}{n} - \left\{ 2x \left( -\frac{\cos(nx)}{n^2} \right) - \int 2 \left( -\frac{\cos(nx)}{n^2} \right) dx \right\} \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ x^2 \frac{\sin(nx)}{n} + 2x \frac{\cos(nx)}{n^2} - \frac{2}{n^2} \int \cos(nx) dx \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ x^2 \frac{\sin(nx)}{n} + 2x \frac{\cos(nx)}{n^2} - 2 \frac{\sin(nx)}{n^3} \right]_0^{2\pi} \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ 4\pi^2 \frac{\sin(2\pi n)}{n} + 4\pi \frac{\cos(2\pi n)}{n^2} - 2 \frac{\sin(2\pi n)}{n^3} - 0^2 \frac{\sin(0)}{n} - 2(0) \frac{\cos(0)}{n^2} + 2 \frac{\sin(0)}{n^3} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

**Note:**

- $\sin(n\pi) = 0, \forall n$
- $\cos(n\pi) = \begin{cases} +1, & \text{for "n" even} \\ -1, & \text{for "n" odd} \end{cases}$
- In this case  $\cos(2\pi n) = +1, \because 2 \times (\pi n)$  is an even number as we know 2 multiplied by any number is an even number.

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ 0 + 4\pi \frac{1}{n^2} - 0 - 0 - 0 + 0 \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{4\pi}{n^2} \right] = \frac{4}{n^2} \quad \text{while } n \neq 0 \because n \text{ is in the denominator}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
a_n: [n = 0] &\xrightarrow{\text{yields}} a_0 = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L x^2 \cos \frac{n\pi}{L}(x) dx \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} x^2 \cos \frac{0 \cdot \pi}{\pi}(x) dx; \text{ since } n = 0
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} x^2 \cos(0) \, dx, \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} x^2 (1) \, dx \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^{2\pi} = \frac{8\pi^2}{3}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
b_n &= \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \sin \frac{n\pi}{L}(x) \, dx \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} x^2 \sin(nx) \, dx
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\text{let } u = x^2, \quad v = \sin(nx) \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ x^2 \left( -\frac{\cos(nx)}{n} \right) - \int 2x \left( -\frac{\cos(nx)}{n} \right) \, dx \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ x^2 \left( -\frac{\cos(nx)}{n} \right) + \int 2x \left( \frac{\cos(nx)}{n} \right) \, dx \right]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\text{let } u = 2x, \quad v = \frac{\cos(nx)}{n} \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -x^2 \frac{\cos(nx)}{n} + \left\{ 2x \left( \frac{\sin(nx)}{n^2} \right) - \int 2 \frac{\sin(nx)}{n^2} \, dx \right\} \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -x^2 \frac{\cos(nx)}{n} + 2x \frac{\sin(nx)}{n^2} - 2 \left( -\frac{\cos(nx)}{n^3} \right) \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -x^2 \frac{\cos(nx)}{n} + 2x \frac{\sin(nx)}{n^2} + 2 \frac{\cos(nx)}{n^3} \right]_0^{2\pi}
\end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -4\pi^2 \frac{\cos(2\pi n)}{n} + 4\pi \frac{\sin(2\pi n)}{n^2} + 2 \frac{\cos(2\pi n)}{n^3} - \left\{ -0^2 \frac{\cos(0)}{n} + 2(0) \frac{\sin(0)}{n^2} + 2 \frac{\cos(0)}{n^3} \right\} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -4\pi^2 \frac{1}{n} + 4\pi(0) + 2 \frac{1}{n^3} - \left\{ -0 + 0 + 2 \frac{1}{n^3} \right\} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{-4\pi^2}{n} + \frac{2}{n^3} - \frac{2}{n^3} \right] = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -\frac{4\pi^2}{n} \right] = -\frac{4\pi}{n}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned}f(x) &= \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos \frac{n\pi}{L}(x) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin \frac{n\pi}{L}(x) \\&= \frac{\frac{8\pi^2}{3}}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{n^2} \cos \frac{n\pi}{\pi}(x) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{-4\pi}{n}\right) \sin \frac{n\pi}{\pi}(x) \\&= \frac{4\pi^2}{3} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 4 \left( \frac{1}{n^2} \cos(nx) - \frac{\pi}{n} \sin(nx) \right).\end{aligned}$$

### **Exercise**

1. Determine the Fourier series for:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -x; & -4 \leq x \leq 0 \\ x; & 0 \leq x \leq 4 \end{cases} \quad \text{Period} = 8$$

2. Graph each of the following functions and find its corresponding Fourier series:

- a)  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 8, & 0 < x < 2 \\ -8, & 2 < x < 4 \end{cases}; \text{Period} = 4$
- b)  $f(x) = \begin{cases} -x, & -4 \leq x \leq 0 \\ x, & 0 \leq x \leq 4 \end{cases}; \text{Period} = 8$
- c)  $f(x) = 4x, \quad 0 < x < 10, \quad \text{Period} = 10$
- d)  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x, & 0 \leq x \leq 3 \\ x, & -3 \leq x \leq 0 \end{cases}; \text{Period} = 6$