

Periodic Function

If at equal intervals of abscissa x , the value of each ordinate $f(x)$ repeats itself, i.e. $f(x) = f(x+d)$ for all x , then $y = f(x)$ is called a periodic function having period d ,
 $\xrightarrow{\text{Period of the function}}$
 $\xleftarrow{\text{fixed}}$
 $\xleftarrow{\text{real}}$
 e.g. $\sin x$, $\cos x$ are periodic fns. having a period 2π .

$$\sin x = \sin(x + 2\pi) \quad , \quad \cos x = \cos(x + 2\pi)$$

$\tan \theta$, $\cot \theta$ are periodic fns having period π .

$$\tan(\theta + \pi) = \tan \theta \quad , \quad \cot(\theta + \pi) = \cot \theta$$

Properties of integration

$$1) \int_{-a}^a f(x) dx = \begin{cases} 2 \int_0^a f(x) dx & \text{if } f(x) \text{ is even} \\ 0 & \text{if } f(x) \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

even function :- $f(-x) = f(x)$

$$a) f(x) = x^2$$

$$f(-x) = (-x)^2 = x^2 = f(x)$$

$$b) f(x) = \cos x$$

$$f(-x) = \cos(-x) = \cos x$$

odd function :- $f(-x) = -f(x)$

$$a) f(x) = x^3$$

$$f(-x) = (-x)^3 = -x^3 = -f(x)$$

$$b) f(x) = \sin x, \quad f(-x) = \sin(-x) = -\sin x = -f(x)$$

2) By-Part

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$$\int f_1(x) f_2(x) dx = f_1(x) \int f_2(x) dx - \int \left[\frac{d}{dx} f_1(x) \int f_2(x) dx \right]$$

Limitation :- not work in every situation

Chain Rule of Integration

$$\int_I x^2 \sin 2x dx$$

$$x^2 \left(-\frac{\cos 2x}{2} \right) - 2x \left(-\frac{\sin 2x}{4} \right) + 2 \left(\frac{\cos 2x}{8} \right)$$

$$= -\frac{x^2 \cos 2x}{2} + \frac{x \sin 2x}{2} + \frac{\cos 2x}{4}$$

Note :- Only used in the questions where I^{th} integrand is algebraic like
 $x^n \cos ax$, $x^n \sin ax$, $x^n e^{ax}$.

Basics

$$\sin 0 = \sin \pi = 0$$

$$\cos 0 = \cos 2n\pi = (-1)^{2n} = 1$$

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

$$\int \sin x dx = -\cos x$$

$$\int \cos x dx = \sin x$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta}}{2i}, \quad \cos \theta = \frac{e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta}}{2}$$

$$\sinh \theta = \frac{e^\theta - e^{-\theta}}{2}, \quad \cosh \theta = \frac{e^\theta + e^{-\theta}}{2}$$

$$* \int e^{ax} \sin(bx+c) dx$$

$$= \frac{e^{ax}}{a^2+b^2} [a \sin(bx+c) - b \cos(bx+c)]$$

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$$= \frac{e^{ax}}{a^2+b^2} [a \cos(bx+c) + b \sin(bx+c)]$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin x = \cos x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \cos x = -\sin x$$

$$If e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta, \quad e^{-i\theta} = \cos \theta - i \sin \theta$$

Fourier Series

Fourier series arise from the practical task of representing a given periodic function $f(x)$ of period 2π in terms of cosine and sine functions. These series are trigonometric series whose coefficients are determined by Euler formulae.

Euler's Formulae

The Fourier series for the function $f(x)$ in the interval $\alpha < x < \alpha + 2\pi$ is given by

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

where $a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\alpha}^{\alpha+2\pi} f(x) dx$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\alpha}^{\alpha+2\pi} f(x) \cos nx dx$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\alpha}^{\alpha+2\pi} f(x) \sin nx dx$$

These values of a_0, a_n, b_n are known as Euler's formulae.

Q1 Find a Fourier series to represent $x - x^2$ from $-\pi$ to π . Hence show that

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$$\frac{1}{1^2} - \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} - \frac{1}{4^2} + \dots = \frac{\pi^2}{12}$$

Ans Let $x - x^2 = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin nx$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } a_0 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (x - x^2) dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \left(\frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{3} \right) \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[\frac{\pi^2}{2} - \frac{\pi^3}{3} - \left(\frac{\pi^2}{2} - \frac{(-\pi)^3}{3} \right) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[-\frac{2\pi^3}{3} \right] = \boxed{-\frac{2}{3}\pi^2} \end{aligned}$$

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

$$= -\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x^2 \cos nx dx \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \because x \cos nx \text{ is odd \& } \\ x^2 \cos nx \text{ is even} \end{array} \right)$$

$$= -\frac{2}{\pi} \left[x^2 \left(\frac{\sin nx}{n} \right) - 2x \left(-\frac{\cos nx}{n^2} \right) + 2 \left(-\frac{\sin nx}{n^3} \right) \right] \Big|_0^{\pi}$$

$$= -\frac{2}{\pi} \left[\frac{x^2 \sin nx}{n} + \frac{2x \cos nx}{n^2} - \frac{2 \sin nx}{n^3} \right] \Big|_0^{\pi}$$

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

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

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x \sin nx dx \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \because x \sin nx \text{ is even} \\ x^2 \sin nx \text{ is odd} \end{array} \right)$$

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

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

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∴ Fourier-series expansion of $f(x)$ is

$$f(x) \sim -\frac{\pi^2}{3} + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n^2} (2 \cos nx + n \sin nx)$$

Taking $x=0$

$$0 = -\frac{\pi^2}{3} + 4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{1^2} - \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} - \frac{1}{4^2} + \dots = \frac{\pi^2}{12}$$

Q2. Expand $f(x) = x \sin x$, $0 < x < 2\pi$ as a Fourier series.

Ans. Let

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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{where } a_0 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} x \sin x \, dx = \frac{1}{\pi} [x(-\cos x) - 1 \cdot (-\sin x)]_0^{2\pi} \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} [-x \cos x + \sin x]_0^{2\pi} = \frac{1}{\pi} [-2\pi] = \boxed{-2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_n + i b_n &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} x \sin x e^{inx} \, dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} x \left(\frac{e^{ix} - e^{-ix}}{2i} \right) e^{inx} \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} x \sin x \, dx = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^{2\pi} x (e^{i(n+1)x} - e^{i(n-1)x}) \, dx \quad \text{--- (A)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left[x \left(\frac{e^{i(n+1)x}}{n+1} \right) - \left(-\frac{e^{i(n+1)x}}{(n+1)^2} \right) - \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left\{ x \left(\frac{e^{i(n-1)x}}{(n-1)} \right) - \left(-\frac{e^{i(n-1)x}}{(n-1)^2} \right) \right\} \right]_0^{2\pi}, n \neq 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left[-\frac{2\pi i}{n+1} + \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} + \frac{2\pi i}{n-1} - \frac{1}{(n-1)^2} - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} + \frac{1}{(n-1)^2} \right], n \neq 1$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{n-1} - \frac{1}{n+1} \right) = \frac{2}{n^2-1}, \quad n \neq 1 \quad (6)$$

equating real and imaginary parts.

$$a_n = \frac{2}{n^2-1}, \quad b_n = 0; \quad n \neq 1$$

From (A)

$$a_1 + i b_1 = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^{2\pi} x (e^{2ix} - 1) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left[x \left(\frac{-ie^{2ix}}{2} \right) + \left(\frac{e^{2ix}}{4} \right) - \frac{x^2}{2} \right]_0^{2\pi}$$

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

$$= -\frac{1}{2} + \pi i$$

equating real & imaginary.

$$a_1 = -\frac{1}{2}, \quad b_1 = \pi$$

\therefore Fourier Series expansion of $f(x)$ is

$$f(x) \sim -1 - \frac{1}{2} \cos x + \pi \sin x + 2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2-1} \cos nx$$

Qus 3 Obtain the Fourier Series for $f(x) = e^{-x}$; $0 < x < 2\pi$.

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Ans Let $f(x) \sim \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx)$

$$\text{where } a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{-x} dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \left(\frac{e^{-x}}{-1} \right)_0^{2\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} [-e^{-2\pi} + 1] = \frac{1}{\pi} (1 - e^{-2\pi})$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} [e^{-\pi} (e^{\pi} - e^{-\pi})]$$

$$= \frac{2e^{-\pi} \sinh \pi}{\pi}$$

$$a_n + ib_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{-x} e^{inx} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left. \frac{e^{-x} e^{inx}}{(-1+in)} \right|_0^{2\pi}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\pi} \frac{1+in}{1+n^2} (e^{-2\pi} - 1) = \frac{(1+in)(1-e^{-2\pi})}{\pi(1+n^2)}$$

$$= \frac{(1+in)e^{-\pi}(e^{\pi} - e^{-\pi})}{\pi(1+n^2)}$$

$$= \frac{2(1+in)e^{-\pi} \sinh \pi}{\pi(1+n^2)}$$

Equate real and imaginary.

$$a_n = \frac{2e^{-\pi} \sinh \pi}{\pi(1+n^2)}, \quad b_n = \frac{2ne^{-\pi} \sinh \pi}{\pi(1+n^2)}$$

\therefore Fourier series expansion is

$$f(x) \sim \frac{1}{\pi} e^{-\pi} \sinh \pi \left[1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2+1} (\cos nx + n \sin nx) \right]$$