

# COMPLEX FOURIER SERIES:

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{\frac{i n \pi x}{L}} \quad \text{WHERE } c_n = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) e^{-\frac{i n \pi x}{L}} dx$$

## FOURIER SERIES WITH REAL COEFFICIENTS:

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

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

$$a_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n \pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

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

NOTE:  $\int_{-L}^L \sin\left(\frac{n \pi x}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{m \pi x}{L}\right) dx = \delta_{nm} L (= \delta_{nm} \frac{P}{2})$

$$\int_{-L}^L e^{\frac{-i n \pi x}{L}} e^{\frac{i m \pi x}{L}} dx = \delta_{nm} \int_{-L}^L 1 dx = \delta_{nm} (2L) (= \delta_{nm} P)$$

THIS IS A WAY TO REMEMBER WHERE TO PUT  $\frac{1}{L}$  WHERE  $\frac{1}{2L}$   
 COEFFS: REAL TO CMPLX, CMPLX TO REAL  
 FOR  $n \geq 1$ .

$$c_n = \frac{1}{2} (a_n - i b_n) \quad \text{WHICH MAKES SENSE BEC:}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} (a_n - i b_n) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n \pi x}{L}\right) dx - i \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n \pi x}{L}\right) dx \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \left( \cos \frac{n \pi x}{L} dx - i \sin \frac{n \pi x}{L} dx \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \exp\left(-\frac{i n \pi x}{L}\right) dx \quad \text{AS ABOVE}$$

$$C_{-n} = \frac{1}{2} (a_n + i b_n) \quad \text{FOR } n \geq 1$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx + i \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \left[ \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \right] dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \exp\left(\frac{in\pi x}{L}\right) dx (= C_{-n})$$

CONSISTENCY WITH  
EXPRESSION FOR  $C_n$ .

$$C_0 = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) (\exp 0) dx = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) dx = \frac{1}{2} a_0$$

IF FOURIER  
SERIES IS IN FORM:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2} a_0 + \sum \dots$$

$$a_n = C_n + C_{-n}$$

$$= a_0 \quad \text{IF FORM IS:}$$

MAKES SENSE BEC:

$$f(x) = a_0 + \sum \dots$$

$$C_n + C_{-n} = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) e^{-\frac{in\pi x}{L}} dx + \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) e^{\frac{in\pi x}{L}} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \left[ e^{-\frac{in\pi x}{L}} + e^{\frac{in\pi x}{L}} \right] dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) 2 \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx = a_n$$

$$b_n = i(c_n - c_{-n})$$

MAKES SENSE BEC:

$$\begin{aligned} i(c_n - c_{-n}) &= i\left(\frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) e^{-\frac{in\pi x}{L}} dx - \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) e^{\frac{in\pi x}{L}} dx\right) \\ &= i\left(\frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \left[e^{-\frac{in\pi x}{L}} - e^{\frac{in\pi x}{L}}\right] dx\right) \\ &= i \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) (-2i) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx = b_n \end{aligned}$$