

We would like to represent general functions as an infinite series of sines + cosines:

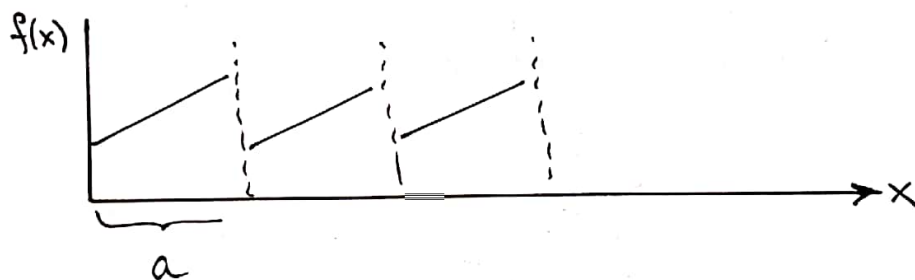
$$f(x) \sim \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \{ a_n \cos(nx) + b_n \sin(nx) \}.$$

Two questions:

(i) How to calculate  $a_n, b_n$ ?

(ii) To what extent is " $\sim$ " an equality = ?

Def'n 11.1: A function is periodic with period  $a$  if  $f(x+a) = f(x)$ .



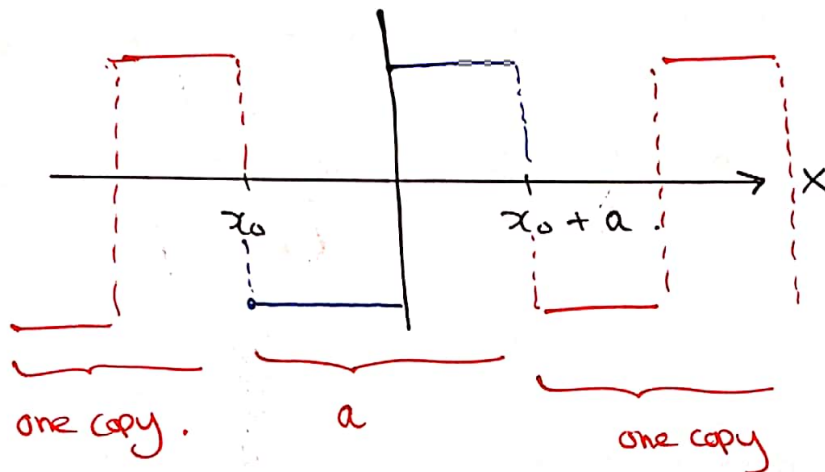
The smallest such ' $a$ ' is the fundamental period.

Example:

- $\sin(kx)$  is  $\frac{2\pi}{k}$  - periodic
- $x, x^2, e^x$  are not periodic.
- is  $e^{\cos x}$  periodic? (No).

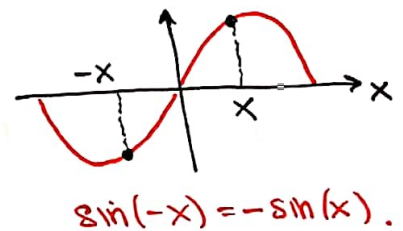
Def'n 11.3 : (Periodic extension).

Consider  $f(x)$  on  $(x_0, x_0+a)$ . This can be extended to  $\mathbb{R}$  via a  $a$ -periodic extension.



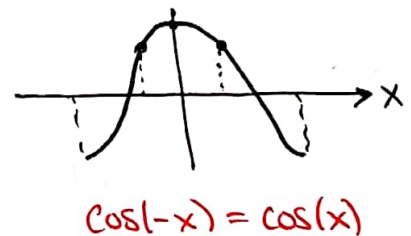
Def'n 11.4 (odd function).

$f(x)$  is odd if  $f(-x) = -f(x)$ .



Def'n 11.5 (even function)

$f(x)$  is even if  $f(-x) = f(x)$ .



- Examples:
- $x^2, x^4, 1, \dots$  are even
  - $x^3, x^5, x \dots$  are odd
  - $e^x$  is neither even or odd.

Lemma 11.6 :

1.  $f(0) = 0$  if  $f$  is odd.

2. If  $f$  is even, then  $\int_{-a}^a f(x) \cdot dx = 2 \cdot \int_0^a f(x) dx$

3. If  $f$  is odd, then  $\int_{-a}^a f(x) dx = 0$ .

Lemma 11.8 If  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , with  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ ,  
then:

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin(nx) \cos(mx) \cdot dx = 0. \quad (1)$$

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos(nx) \cos(mx) \cdot dx = \pi \cdot \delta_{mn} \quad (2)$$

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin(nx) \sin(mx) dx = \pi \delta_{mn} \quad (3)$$

$$\delta_{mn} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \neq m \\ 1 & \text{if } n = m. \end{cases}$$

\* note that the case with  $n=0, m=0$  done separately.

Pf : See notes. Let's prove (2).

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos(nx) \cos(mx) \cdot dx &= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left\{ \cos(n-m)x + \cos(n+m)x \right\} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left[ \frac{\sin(n-m)x}{n-m} + \frac{\sin(n+m)x}{n+m} \right]_{-\pi}^{\pi} \quad \text{[cf (11.9a)-(11.9c)].} \\ &= 0. \quad \text{if } n \neq m. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{If } n=m \neq 0, \text{ then } I = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1}{2} \cdot \{ \cos(0) + \cos(2nx) \} dx$$

$$= \pi$$

$$\text{If } n=m=0, \text{ then } I = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1}{2} \cdot \{ \cos(0) + \cos(0) \} dx$$

$$= 2\pi$$

$$\text{So } \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos(nx) \cos(mx) \cdot dx = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \neq m. \\ \pi & \text{if } n=m \neq 0. \\ 2\pi & \text{if } n=m=0. \end{cases}$$

There is neat way to think.

Define an inner product between  $f(x), g(x)$ :

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x)g(x) \cdot dx$$

So in essence,

$$\bullet \langle \sin(nx), \cos(mx) \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow \sin \text{ is } \perp \text{ (orthogonal) to } \cos.$$

$$\bullet \langle \sin(nx), \sin(mx) \rangle = 0 \text{ if } n \neq m \Rightarrow \sin \perp \text{ to other } \sin$$

$$\bullet \langle \sin(nx), \sin(nx) \rangle = \pi \Rightarrow \sin(nx) \text{ is } \parallel \text{ to } \sin(nx).$$

$$\text{Idea: } f(x) \sim \underbrace{\frac{a_0}{2}}_{v_0} + \left( \underbrace{a_1 \cos(x)}_{a_1 v_1} + \underbrace{b_1 \sin(x)}_{b_1 v_2} + \dots \right)$$

$$\langle f, v_1 \rangle \sim \underbrace{\langle \frac{a_0}{2} v_0, v_1 \rangle}_0 + a_1 \langle v_1, v_1 \rangle + \underbrace{\langle v_1, b_1 v_2 \rangle}_{=0} + \dots$$

Remember if  $\underline{u}_1, \underline{u}_2, \dots, \underline{u}_n$  form an orthogonal basis. Seek coeffs  $a_i$  s.t.

$$\underline{v} = a_1 \underline{u}_1 + \dots + a_n \underline{u}_n$$

Dot product: 
$$\underline{v} \cdot \underline{u}_m = a_1 \underline{u}_1 \cdot \underline{u}_m + \dots + a_m \underline{u}_m \cdot \underline{u}_m + \dots + a_n \underline{u}_n \cdot \underline{u}_m.$$

But orthogonality  $\Rightarrow \underline{u}_n \cdot \underline{u}_m = 0$  if  $n \neq m$ .

$$\therefore \underline{v} \cdot \underline{u}_m = a_m (\underline{u}_m \cdot \underline{u}_m)$$

$$\therefore a_m = \frac{\underline{v} \cdot \underline{u}_m}{\|\underline{u}_m\|^2}$$

The same idea is applied to derive the Fourier coeffs. We seek  $a_i$  and  $b_i$  s.t.

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

Let's multiply by  $\cos(mx)$  and  $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cdot \cos(mx) \cdot dx &= \frac{a_0}{2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos(mx) \cdot dx \\ + \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} [a_1 \cos(x) \cos(mx) + a_2 \cos(2x) \cos(mx) + \dots] \cdot dx \\ + \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} [b_1 \sin(x) \cos(mx) + b_2 \sin(2x) \cos(mx) + \dots] \cdot dx \end{aligned}$$

where  $m = 0, 1, \dots, n$ .

If  $m=0$ , we have

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cdot dx = \frac{a_0}{2} \cdot \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (1) \cdot dx + [0 + \dots + 0].$$

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

If  $m \neq 0$ , we have by orthogonality,

$$\Rightarrow \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos(mx) \cdot dx = 0 + [0 + \dots + a_m \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos^2 mx \cdot dx + \dots + 0] + [0 + \dots + 0].$$

$$\text{But } \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos^2 mx \cdot dx = \pi$$

$$\therefore a_m = \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos(mx) \cdot dx \quad m \geq 1$$

$$\text{Similar procedure yields } b_m = \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin(mx) \cdot dx \quad m \geq 1$$

THM 11.9 (FOURIER COEFFICIENTS) Let  $f$  be a  $2\pi$  periodic function defined on  $[-\pi, \pi]$ .

Then we can write

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

$$\text{where, } a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos(nx) \cdot dx \quad n \geq 0.$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin(nx) \cdot dx \quad n \geq 1$$

\* We write  $\sim$  because we're not sure about the convergence properties.



In certain cases, our Fourier Series reduces.

Lemma 11.11 (Fourier Sine or Cosine series).

If  $f(x)$  is even on  $[-\pi, \pi]$ , then

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} f(x) \sim \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos(nx). \\ a_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) \cos(nx) \cdot dx. \quad n \geq 0. \\ b_n = 0. \quad n \geq 1. \end{array} \right.$$

If  $f(x)$  is odd on  $[-\pi, \pi]$ ,

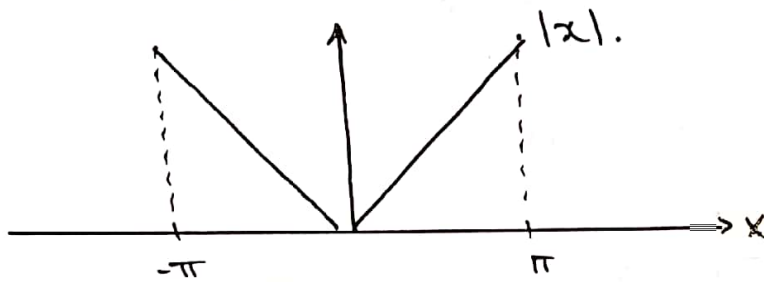
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} f(x) \sim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin(nx). \\ a_n = 0. \quad n \geq 0. \\ b_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) \sin(nx) \quad n \geq 1. \end{array} \right.$$

Pf (cf. notes)

e.g.  $f$  even then  $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \underbrace{f(x) \sin(nx)}_{\text{odd function}} \cdot dx = 0.$

Example 11.12 . Find the Fourier Series of

$$f(x) = |x| \text{ on } x \in [-\pi, \pi].$$



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

Compute:  $a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos(nx) \cdot dx.$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x \cdot \cos(nx) \cdot dx.$$

\* let  $u = x$ ,  $dv = \cos(nx) dx$   
I.B.P.

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \left\{ x \left( +\frac{\sin(nx)}{n} \right) \Big|_0^{\pi} - \int_0^{\pi} \frac{\sin(nx)}{n} \cdot dx \right\}$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \left\{ 0 + \frac{1}{n^2} \cos(nx) \Big|_0^{\pi} \right\} \quad \text{since } \sin(n\pi) = 0 \quad (n \neq 0)$$

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

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

$$a_n = +\frac{2}{n^2 \pi} \cdot \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \text{ even} \\ +2 & \text{if } n \text{ odd.} \end{cases} \quad (n \neq 0)$$



$$\text{If } n=0 \Rightarrow a_0 = \frac{2}{\pi} \cdot \int_0^{\pi} x \cdot dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \pi^2 = \pi$$

What about  $b_n$ ?  $b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |x| \cdot \sin(nx) \cdot dx$

$$= 0 \text{ since } |x| \sin(nx) \text{ is odd.}$$

$$\therefore |x| \sim \frac{\pi}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{+2}{n^2 \pi} \right] [(-1)^n - 1] \cdot \cos(nx).$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{2} + \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ n \text{ odd}}}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{-4}{n^2 \pi} \right] \cos(nx)$$

Let  $n=2k+1$   $k=0,1,2,\dots$

$$\therefore |x| \sim \frac{\pi}{2} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{-4}{(2k+1)^2 \pi} \right] \cos[(2k+1)x].$$

Example: Find FS for  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & -5 < x < 0 \\ 3 & 0 < x < 5 \end{cases}$ .

Note the  $f(x)$  is on  $[-L, L]$ ,  $L \neq \pi$ .

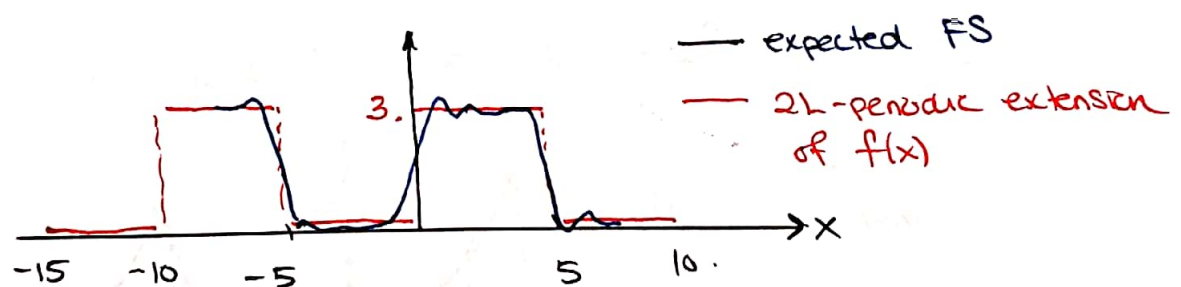
In fact the general formulae for  $[-L, L]$  is:

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

$$\text{where } a_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx \quad n \geq 0.$$

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

(See next chapter. for details.)



\* note if  $L = \pi \Rightarrow$  reduces to previous formulae.

We have,

$$a_n = \frac{1}{5} \int_{-5}^5 f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{5}\right) dx$$

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

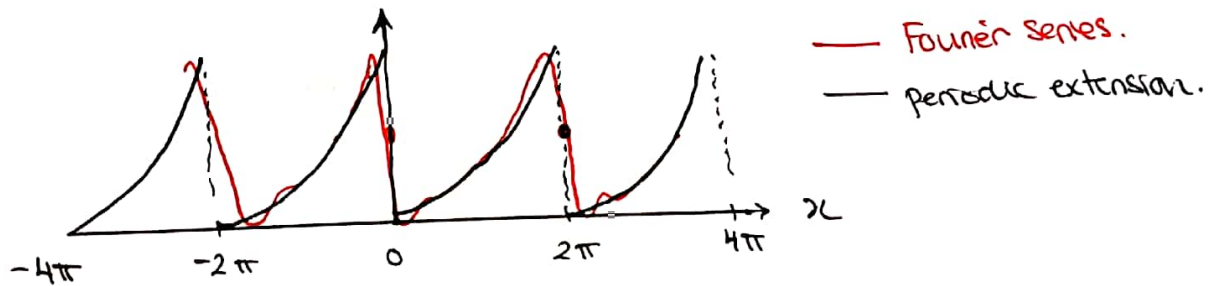
$$= \frac{3}{5} \left. \left( \frac{5}{n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{5}\right) \right) \right|_0^5 = (0 - 0) \quad \text{since } \sin(n\pi) = 0. \\ (n \neq 0)$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{5} \int_0^5 3 \cos(x) \cdot dx = 3.$$

$$\begin{aligned} b_n &= \frac{1}{5} \int_0^5 3 \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{5}\right) \cdot dx = \frac{3}{5} \left(-\frac{5}{n\pi}\right) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{5}\right) \Big|_0^5 \\ &= -\frac{3}{n\pi} \left\{ \cos(n\pi) - \cos(0) \right\} \\ &= -\frac{3}{n\pi} \left\{ (-1)^n - 1 \right\}. \\ &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ \frac{6}{(2k+1)\pi} & \text{if } n=2k+1 \text{ (odd)} \\ & k=0, 1, 2, \dots \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore f(x) \sim \frac{3}{2} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{6}{(2k+1)\pi} \right] \sin\left[\frac{(2k+1)\pi x}{5}\right].$$

Example: Calculate FS for  $f(x) = x^2$  on  $x \in [0, 2\pi]$ .



The Fourier series will still be, for a  $2L$  periodic function,

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

$$a_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^{2L} f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \cdot dx \quad n \geq 0$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^{2L} f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx \quad n \geq 1$$

(This is Remark. 12.8)

Here  $2L = 2\pi \Rightarrow L = \pi$ .

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{\pi}\right) \cdot dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \int_0^{2\pi} x^2 \cos(nx) \cdot dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \left\{ x^2 \left( \frac{\sin(nx)}{n} \right) \right\}_0^{2\pi}$$

$$u = x^2 \\ dv = \cos(nx) \cdot dx$$

$$- \int_0^{2\pi} (2x) \left( \frac{\sin nx}{n} \right) \cdot dx \quad (n \neq 0)$$

$$= -\frac{2}{\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{n} \cdot \left\{ x \left( -\frac{\cos nx}{n} \right) \right\}_0^{2\pi} + \int_0^{2\pi} (1) \left( \frac{-\cos nx}{n} \right) \cdot dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{n^2 \pi} \left\{ (2\pi) \cos(2n\pi) - 0 \right\}$$

$$a_n = \frac{4}{n^2} \quad \text{if } n \neq 0.$$

(To finish Tues.)