

## Section 7.2 : Overview of Fourier Series

Plan: \* Fourier Expansion of Functions

\* Odd and Even Functions

\* Sine and Cosine Series

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\* The Fourier Expansion of Functions

Thruw: The set in  $V$

$$F = \left\{ u_0 = \frac{1}{2}, u_n(x) = \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right), v_n(x) = \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$$

is an orthogonal set.

Proof: Show that:

$$u_n \cdot u_m = \int_{-L}^L \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) dx = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } n \neq m \\ L & \text{for } n = m \neq 0 \\ 2L & \text{for } n = m = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{use: } \cos(\theta) \cos(\phi) = \frac{1}{2} (\cos(\theta + \phi) + \cos(\theta - \phi)) .$$

$$v_n \cdot v_m = \int_{-L}^L \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) dx = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } n \neq m \\ L & \text{for } n = m \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{use: } \sin(\theta) \sin(\phi) = \frac{1}{2} (\cos(\theta - \phi) - \cos(\theta + \phi))$$

$$u_n \cdot v_m = \int_{-L}^L \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) dx = 0 \quad \text{all } n, m .$$

$$\text{use: } \sin(\theta) \cos(\phi) = \frac{1}{2} (\sin(\theta + \phi) + \sin(\theta - \phi)) .$$

Remark:  $u_0 \cdot u_0 = \frac{1}{4} \cdot 2L \Rightarrow \|u_0\| = \sqrt{\frac{L}{2}}$

$$u_n \cdot u_n = L \Rightarrow \|u_n\| = \sqrt{L}$$

$$v_n \cdot v_n = L \Rightarrow \|v_n\| = \sqrt{L}$$

An orthonormal set (like  $\{c, s, k\}$ ) is

$$\left\{ \tilde{u}_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2L}}, \quad \tilde{u}_n(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L}} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right), \quad \tilde{v}_n(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$$

People uses the orthogonal set.

### The Fourier Expansion Theorem

Thrm: The orthogonal set  $F$  is a basis for the subspace  $W \subset V$  of continuous functions on  $[-L, L]$  and for every  $f \in W$  the function

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

satisfies  $f_F(x) = f(x)$ , where

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) dx \quad (= \frac{2}{L} f \cdot u_0)$$

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

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

Thrm:

Furthermore, if  $f$  is piecewise continuous, the function  $f_F$  satisfies  
 $f_F(x) = f(x)$ ,

where  $f$  is continuous, and

$$f_F(x_0) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^+} f(x) + \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^-} f(x) \right)$$

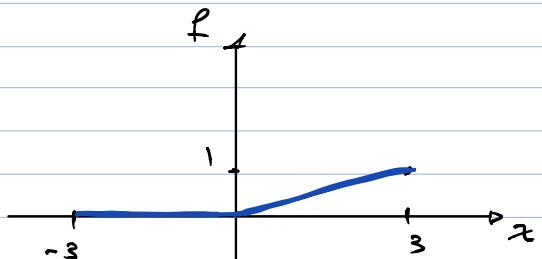
for all  $x_0$  where  $f$  is discontinuous.

Remark: \* Instead of infinite sums, we can use finite sums approximations:

$$f_{FN}(x) = \frac{x_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^N \left( a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right) + b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right) \right)$$

Example: Find  $f_F$  for  $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{3} & x \in [0, 3] \\ 0 & x \in [-3, 0] \end{cases}$

Sol:



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

$$b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx , \quad L = 3$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \int_{-3}^3 f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{3}\right) dx$$

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

$$b_n = \frac{1}{9} \int_0^3 x \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{3}\right) dx \quad (\text{Integration Table})$$

$$= \frac{1}{9} \left( -\frac{3}{n\pi} x \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{3}\right) + \frac{9}{n^2\pi^2} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{3}\right) \right) \Big|_0^3$$

$$= \frac{1}{9} \left( -\frac{9}{n\pi} \cos(n\pi) + 0 - (0 + 0) \right)$$

$$b_n = -\frac{1}{n\pi} \cos(n\pi) , \quad \cos(n\pi) = (-1)^n$$

$$\boxed{b_n = \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n\pi}}$$

Analogously  $\Rightarrow a_n = \frac{((-1)^n - 1)}{n^2\pi^2}$

$$\Rightarrow a_0 = \frac{1}{2}$$

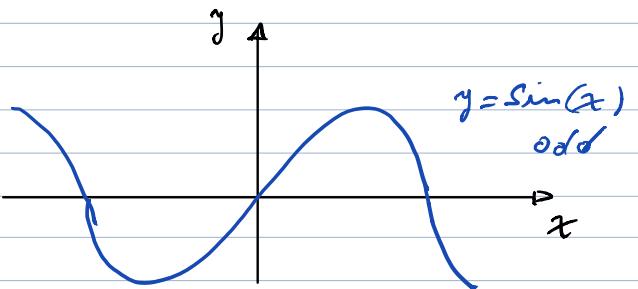
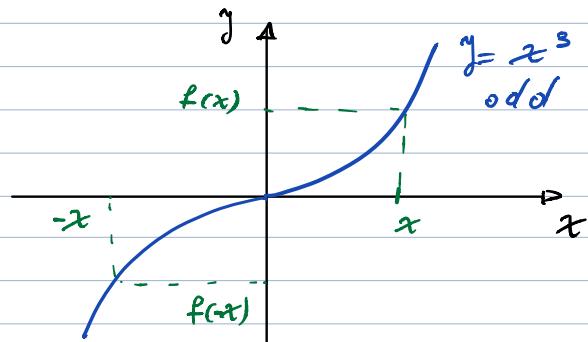
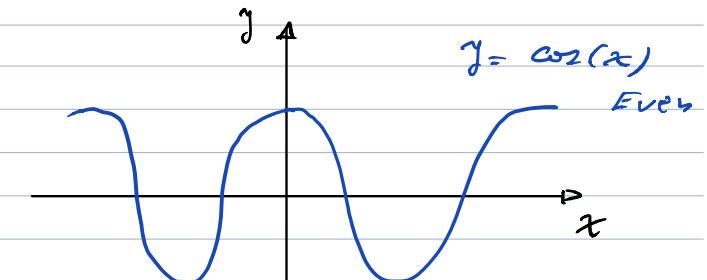
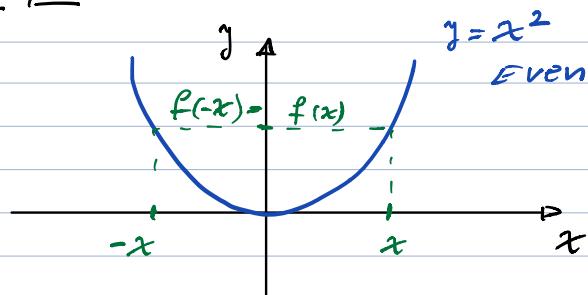
$$\boxed{f(x) = \frac{1}{4} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{((-1)^n - 1)}{n^2\pi^2} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{3}\right) + \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{3}\right) \right)}$$

## \* Even and Odd Functions

Def : [ A function  $f$  on  $[-L, L]$  is :

- Even iff  $f(-x) = f(x)$  for all  $x \in [-L, L]$ .
- Odd iff  $f(-x) = -f(x)$  for all  $x \in [-L, L]$ .  
 $\underbrace{f(0) = -f(0)}_{\Rightarrow f(0) = 0}$   $f(0) = 0 \Rightarrow f \text{ odd}$  )

Example :



Properties : If  $f_e, g_e$  even,  $h_o, l_o$  odd, then

\*  $a f_e + b g_e$  even

\*  $a h_o + b l_o$  odd

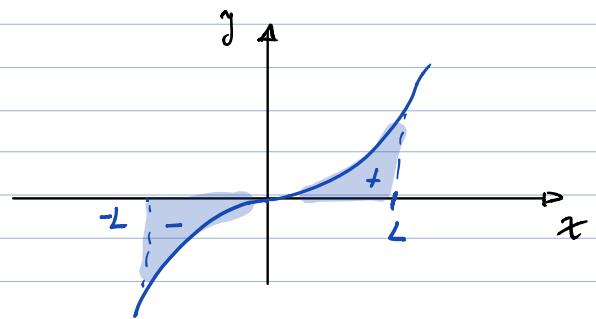
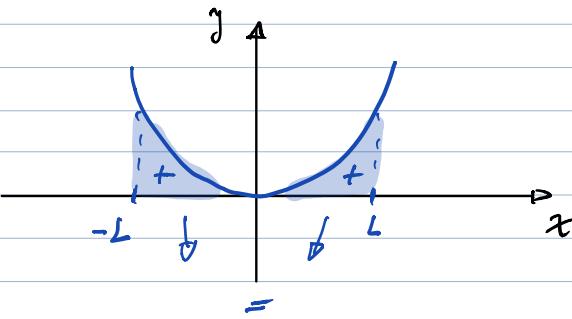
\*  $f_e g_e$  even

\*  $h_o l_o$  even

\*  $f_e h_o$  odd

\*  $\int_{-L}^L h_o(x) dx = 0$

\*  $\int_{-L}^L f_e(x) dx = 2 \int_0^L f_e(x) dx$



Thrm: Given  $f$  on  $[-L, L]$  with

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

(a) If  $f$  is even, then  $b_n = 0$  and (1) is called a cosine series,

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

(b) If  $f$  is odd, then  $a_n = 0$  and (1) is called a sine series,

$$f_F(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right).$$

Proof:

$$(a) b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx = 0.$$

$\underbrace{\phantom{\int_{-L}^L} \hspace{-1cm}}$  even     $\underbrace{\phantom{\int_{-L}^L} \hspace{-1cm}}$  odd  
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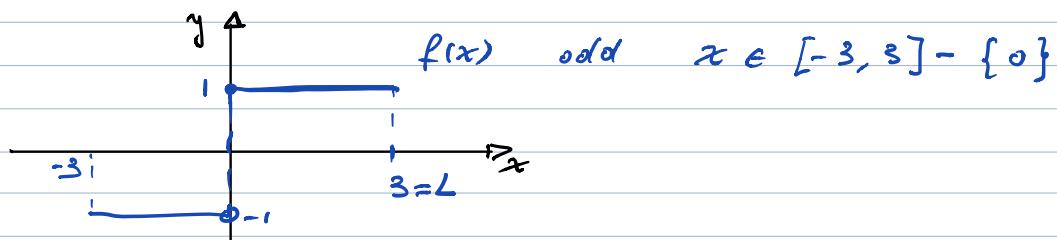
$$(b) a_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx = 0$$

$\underbrace{\phantom{\int_{-L}^L} \hspace{-1cm}}$  odd     $\underbrace{\phantom{\int_{-L}^L} \hspace{-1cm}}$  even  
 $\underbrace{\phantom{\int_{-L}^L} \hspace{-1cm}}$  odd



Example: Find  $f_F$  for  $f(x) = \begin{cases} -1 & x \in [-3, 0) \\ +1 & x \in [0, 3] \end{cases}$

SOL:



$$f_F(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \underbrace{\sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)}_{\substack{\text{odd} \\ \text{even}}} dx = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L \underbrace{f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)}_{\substack{\text{odd} \\ \text{odd}}} dx = 1$$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{3} \int_0^3 \sin\left(n\pi \frac{x}{3}\right) dx$$

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

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

$$\boxed{b_n = \frac{2}{n\pi} (1 - (-1)^n)}$$

$$\boxed{f_F(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1 - (-1)^n)}{n\pi} \sin\left(n\pi \frac{x}{3}\right) \quad \text{odd.}}$$

$f_F(0) = 0$

