

1. For $f(x) = x$ on $[0, L]$, the Fourier Sine Series is given by

$$x = \frac{2L}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) \quad (1)$$

(a). Sketch a picture of the periodic extension for this series.

(b). Differentiate both sides of (1).

(i) Does the RHS look like a Fourier Sine or Cosine Series? If so, which one?

(ii) If so, what are the coefficients are for the Fourier (Sine or Cosine) Series of the function $g(x) = 1$.

$$A_0 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad A_n = 2(-1)^{n+1}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

(c). Find the Fourier Cosine Series for $g(x) = 1$ using the integral formulas for the coefficients.

(i) Are the results of (b) and (c) the same?

[Note: From part(c) we see that the Fourier Cosine Series for $g(x) = 1$ is itself $g(x) = 1$.]

Based on this problem, do you think that you can you find the Fourier Series of $f'(x)$ by differentiating the Fourier Series of $f(x)$?

2. For $f(x) = x$ on $[0, L]$, the Fourier Cosine Series is given by

$$x = L + \frac{2L}{\pi^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n - 1}{n^2} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}x\right) \quad (2)$$

(a). Sketch a picture of the periodic extension for this series.

(b). Differentiate both sides of (2).

(i) Does the RHS look like a Fourier Sine or Cosine Series? If so, which one?

(ii) If so, what are the coefficients are for the Fourier (Sine or Cosine) Series of the function $g(x) = 1$.

$$B_n = -\frac{2}{\pi} \left(\frac{(-1)^n - 1}{n} \right), \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

(c). Find the Fourier Sine Series for $g(x) = 1$ using the integral formulas for the coefficients.

(i) Are the results of (b) and (c) the same?

(ii) Hmm... why did it work this time?

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3. Look at the periodic extension you sketched in (1a) and (2a). What significant difference (besides odd vs. even) do you notice about the two different extensions?

Use this observation to fill in the blank in the following Theorem:

THEOREM If $f(x)$ is periodic, continuous, and piecewise smooth, then the differentiated Fourier Series of $f(x)$ converges to $f'(x)$ at every point x where $f''(x)$ exists.

i.e. If $f(x)$ satisfies those conditions and

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

then

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

or

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

then

$$f'(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-na_n \sin(nx) + nb_n \cos(nx))$$

4. Look up Theorem 3 on p. 78 and fill in the blank below:

THEOREM If $f(x)$ is periodic and piecewise continuous then the Fourier Series of $f(x)$ may be integrated term by term and will equal the integral of $f(x)$.

i.e. $\int_a^b f(x) dx =$

How do the requirements for $f(x)$ differ for integration versus differentiation? Which one has stricter requirements?

5. The Fourier Sine Series for $f(x) = 1$ on $[0, L]$ is given by

$$1 = \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n-1} \sin\left(\frac{(2n-1)\pi}{L}x\right) \quad (3)$$

(a). Change the variable to t and then integrate both sides of (3) with respect to t from 0 to x .

You should get a sum of terms involving cosines of “ x -stuff” and a separate sum involving just constants. You may need to distribute and split up the sum.

(b). The result of part(a) is the Fourier Cosine Series for which function?

(c). What does the general form for a Fourier Cosine Series look like?

(d). Compare (c) with your result in part (a). What does the coefficient A_0 equal? i.e. What is the constant term in (a)?

(e). Use the function from part (b) and the integral formula to find the coefficient A_0 .

(f). Since both parts (d) and (e) give valid answers for the coefficient A_0 , they should be equal. Set them equal and solve for the summation only.

(g). Woo Hoo!! We just found the sum of what series? Write it out long-hand, too.

6. Your result of integrating the Fourier Series for $f(x) = 1$ should have given you: [Using the simpler version of A_0 .]

$$x = \frac{L}{2} - \frac{4L}{\pi^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n-1)^2} \cos\left(\frac{(2n-1)\pi}{L}x\right)$$

(a). Integrate both sides again with respect to x [You can take the integration constant(s) to be 0].

(b). Is the result a Fourier Series? Why or why not?

(c). What is the Fourier Sine Series for $h(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{L}{2}x$?

Homework:

- Read Section 1.5. For each theorem 1-6, state the theorem and then explain it in your own words.
- Section 1.5, p. 82: #1, 2, 5, 9, 10