

* Definition

A trigonometric series $\frac{1}{2}a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx)$ is said to be Fourier series for the function $f(x)$ defined on the closed interval $[-\pi, \pi]$ which is bounded and integrable in Riemann sense on the same closed interval $[-\pi, \pi]$ if and only if

$$a_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos kx \, dx \quad ; \quad k=0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$\text{and } b_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin kx \, dx, \quad k=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

* Theorem

Let the trigonometric series $\frac{1}{2}a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx)$ be uniformly convergent to $f(x)$ on the closed interval $[-\pi, \pi]$, then the series $\frac{1}{2}a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx)$ is a Fourier series i.e.

$$a_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos kx \, dx, \quad k=0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$\text{and } b_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin kx \, dx, \quad k=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Proof :- Let $u_0(x) = \frac{1}{2}a_0$,

$$u_n(x) = a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx, \quad n=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Then the trigonometric series

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

reduces to the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u_n(x)$

Obviously each $u_n(x)$, ($n=0, 1, 2, \dots$) is continuous on the closed interval $[-\pi, \pi]$, Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \, dx &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} u_n(x) \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2}a_0 \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} dx + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx) \, dx \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}a_0 \cdot 2\pi + 0, \quad \left[\because \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos nx \, dx = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin nx \, dx = 0 \right]$$

$$= \pi a_0.$$

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

Again since the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u_n(x)$ is uniformly convergent on the closed interval $[-\pi, \pi]$, there exist a convergent series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} M_n$ of positive

numbers, M_n being independent of x such that

$$|u_n(x)| \leq M_n, \quad n=0, 1, 2, \dots, \text{ and } -\pi \leq x \leq \pi.$$

Now $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u_n(x), \quad -\pi \leq x \leq \pi$

So, $f(x) \cos kx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u_n(x) \cos kx, \quad \begin{matrix} -\pi \leq x \leq \pi, \\ k=1, 2, 3, \dots \end{matrix}$

Since for $n=1, 2, 3, \dots$, and $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$

$$|u_n(x) \cos kx| \leq |u_n(x)| \leq M_n$$

and since the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} M_n$ of positive number is convergent, so

$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u_n(x) \cos kx$ is uniformly convergent on the closed interval $[-\pi, \pi]$ for $k=1, 2, 3, \dots$

So, for $k=1, 2, 3, \dots$

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos kx \, dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} u_n(x) \cos kx \, dx$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} a_0 \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos kx \, dx + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[a_n \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos nx \cos kx \, dx + b_n \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin nx \cos kx \, dx \right]$$

$$= a_k \pi, \quad \left[\begin{aligned} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos nx \cos kx \, dx &= 0, \quad n \neq k \\ &= \pi, \quad n = k, \end{aligned} \right]$$

$$\text{and } \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin nx \cos kx \, dx = 0, \text{ for } n, k=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$\therefore a_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos kx \, dx$$

Proceeding similarly it can be shown that,

$$b_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin kx \, dx$$

Thus we have,

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx \, dx, \quad n=0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx \, dx, \quad n=0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Consequently the trigonometric series

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

is a Fourier series for the function $f(x)$.

Theorem Let $f(x)$ be bounded and integrable on the closed interval $[-a, a]$, ($a > 0$). Also let $f(x)$ be monotonic on the closed interval $[0, a]$, where $0 < a < \infty$.

Then,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^a f(x) \frac{\sin nx}{x} dx = f(0+) \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin nx}{x} dx.$$

where $f(0+)$ denotes the limit of $f(x)$ as x tends to zero from the right of zero.

Dirichlet's Conditions:

A function $f(x)$ will be said to satisfy Dirichlet's conditions in an interval $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$ in which it is defined when it is subject to one of the two following conditions:-

(i) $f(x)$ is bounded in $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$, and the interval can be broken up into a finite number of open partial intervals in each of which $f(x)$ is monotonic.

(ii) $f(x)$ has a finite number of points of infinite discontinuity in the interval. When arbitrary small neighbourhoods of these points are excluded, $f(x)$ is bounded in the remaining interval and this can be broken up into a finite number of open intervals in each of which $f(x)$ is monotonic.

Convergence When $f(x)$ satisfies Dirichlet's condition in $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$, the Fourier series corresponding to $f(x)$ converges to $f(x)$ at any point x in $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$ where $f(x)$ is continuous and converges to $\frac{1}{2} \{f(x+0) + f(x-0)\}$ when there is an ~~arbitrary~~ ^{ordinary} discontinuity at the point. In particular at $x = \pi$ and $x = -\pi$, it converges to

$$\frac{1}{2} \{f(-\pi+0) + f(\pi-0)\} \text{ when } f(\pi+0) \text{ and } f(\pi-0) \text{ exist.}$$

Theorem Let f be bounded and integrable in $[-\pi, \pi]$, and let it be possible to divide $[-\pi, \pi]$ into a finite number of open subintervals, in each of which f is monotonic. Then the Fourier series

$\frac{1}{2} a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos n\xi + b_n \sin n\xi)$ for the function $f(x)$ converges to $\frac{1}{2} [f(\xi-0) + f(\xi+0)]$, $-\pi < \xi < \pi$ and converges to $\frac{1}{2} [f(-\pi+0) + f(\pi-0)]$ when $\xi = -\pi$ or π .

Proof

First we prove the following lemma.

Lemma If f is bounded and integrable in every interval and is periodic with 2π as its period, then

$$\int_{-x}^x f(x) dx = \int_{-x}^x f(a+x) dx,$$

a being any number whatever.

Proof of the lemma

Putting $a+x=y$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-x}^x f(a+x) dx &= \int_{a-x}^{a+x} f(y) dy \\ &= \int_{a-x}^a f(y) dy + \int_{-x}^a f(y) dy + \int_x^{a+x} f(y) dy \quad \text{--- (1)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } \int_{a-x}^a f(y) dy &= \int_{a+x}^a f(z-2x) dz \\ &= - \int_x^{a+x} f(z) dz \\ &= - \int_x^{a+x} f(y) dy \end{aligned}$$

Putting

$$y = z - 2x$$

$$dy = dz$$

y	$-x$	$a-x$
z	x	$a+x$

Hence, from (1),

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-x}^x f(a+x) dx &= \int_{-x}^x f(y) dy \\ &= \int_{-x}^x f(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

Proof of the main theorem

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

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-x}^x f(x) \cos nx dx \quad \text{and} \quad b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-x}^x f(x) \sin nx dx$$

So, we have,

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{2} a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^m (a_n \cos n\xi + b_n \sin n\xi) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-x}^x f(x) dx + \sum_{n=1}^m \int_{-x}^x f(x) [\cos nx \cos n\xi + \sin nx \sin n\xi] dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-x}^x f(x) \left[1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^m \cos n(x-\xi) \right] dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-x}^x f(x+\xi) \left[1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^m \cos nx \right] dx, \quad \text{by lemma.} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-x}^x f(x+\xi) \frac{\sin(m+\frac{1}{2})x}{\sin \frac{1}{2}x} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-x}^0 f(x+\xi) \frac{\sin(m+\frac{1}{2})x}{\sin \frac{1}{2}x} dx + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^x f(x+\xi) \frac{\sin(m+\frac{1}{2})x}{\sin \frac{1}{2}x} dx \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} f(-2y+\xi) \frac{\sin(2m+1)y}{\sin y} dy + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} f(2y+\xi) \frac{\sin(2m+1)y}{\sin y} dy.$$

by putting $x = -2y$ in the first integral and $x = 2y$ in the second integral.

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left\{ \frac{\pi}{2} f(\xi-0) + \frac{\pi}{2} f(\xi+0) \right\}$$

$$= \frac{f(\xi+0) + f(\xi-0)}{2}, \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty.$$

Half range series

A. Cosine Series :-

Let $f(x)$ satisfies Dirichlet's conditions in $0 \leq x \leq \pi$, then

$$\frac{1}{2}a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx$$

where $a_0 = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) dx$ and $a_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx dx$ is called Fourier Cosine series corresponding to $f(x)$ in the interval $0 \leq x \leq \pi$. The series is equal to $\frac{1}{2} \{f(x+0) + f(x-0)\}$ at every x in $0 < x < \pi$ where $f(x+0)$ and $f(x-0)$ exists, and is equal to $\frac{1}{2} \{f(0+0) + f(0-0)\}$ at $x=0$ and equal to $\frac{1}{2} \{f(\pi-0) + f(\pi+0)\}$ at $x=\pi$, provided both the limits exist.

If moreover $f(x)$ be continuous in the interval $[0, \pi]$, the cosine series represents $f(x)$ in the closed interval $0 \leq x \leq \pi$.

Proof

We define an even function $F(x)$ in $[-\pi, \pi]$ which is identical with $f(x)$ in $[0, \pi]$. Thus

$$F(x) = f(x) \text{ in } [0, \pi] \text{ and } F(x) = F(-x) = f(-x) \text{ in } [-\pi, 0].$$

Clearly $F(x)$ will satisfy the Dirichlet's Conditions in $[-\pi, 0]$, if it does so in $[0, \pi]$. Thus we see that the sum of the series

$$\frac{1}{2}a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \sin nx \text{ where } a_n = \frac{\pi}{2} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx dx,$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx dx, \quad n=0, 1, 2, \dots$$

is equal to $\frac{1}{2} [F(x+0) + F(x-0)] = \frac{1}{2} [f(x+0) + f(x-0)]$ at every point x between 0 and π .

$$\text{At } x=0, \text{ the sum of the series} = \frac{1}{2} [F(0+0) + F(0-0)]$$

$$= f(0+0) = f(0).$$

Similarly, we see that,

the sum of the series is $f(\pi-0)$ at $x=\pi$.

B. Sine Series :-

Let $f(x)$ satisfies Dirichlet's Conditions in $0 \leq x \leq \pi$, then

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin nx$ where $b_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx dx$ represents $f(x)$ in Fourier

sine series in $[0, \pi]$. The series is equal to $\frac{1}{2} [f(x+0) + f(x-0)]$ at every point x in $0 < x < \pi$ when $f(x+0)$ and $f(x-0)$ exist and is equal to 0 when $x=0$ and $x=\pi$.

Proof

Here we define an odd function $f(x)$ in $[-\pi, \pi]$, which is identical with $f(x)$ in $[0, \pi]$.

Proceeding as above we can prove the sine series.

Other forms of Fourier Series

A. In the interval $-l \leq x \leq l$

The Fourier series corresponding to $f(x)$ in any interval $-l \leq x \leq l$ is

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

$$\text{where } a_n = \frac{1}{l} \int_{-l}^l f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{l} dx$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{l} \int_{-l}^l f(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l} dx.$$

B. In the interval $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$

The Fourier series corresponding to $f(x)$ in $[0, 2\pi]$ is

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

$$\text{where } a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \cos nx dx$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \sin nx dx.$$

C. In the interval $a \leq x \leq b$

The Fourier series corresponding to $f(x)$ in $[a, b]$ is

$$\frac{1}{2} a_0 + \sum \left(a_n \cos \frac{2n\pi x}{b-a} + b_n \sin \frac{2n\pi x}{b-a} \right)$$

$$\text{where } a_n = \frac{2}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) \cos \frac{2n\pi x}{b-a} dx$$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) \sin \frac{2n\pi x}{b-a} dx.$$

Show that,

$$|x| = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{4}{\pi} \left(\cos x + \frac{\cos 3x}{9} + \frac{\cos 5x}{25} + \dots \right)$$

Let $f(x) = |x|$.

So, $f(x)$ is bounded and integrable in $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$, since it is continuous here. Also $f(x)$ is monotonic in each of the closed interval $[-\pi, 0]$ and $[0, \pi]$. So, $f(x)$ satisfies Dirichlet's conditions in $[-\pi, \pi]$. Thus the ~~series~~ Fourier series for the function $f(x)$ converges to $f(x)$ on the closed interval $[-\pi, \pi]$.

Let, $\frac{1}{2} a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx)$ be the Fourier series of the function $f(x)$. Then

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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } a_0 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |x| dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^0 x dx + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x dx \\ &= \frac{-1}{2\pi} [x^2]_{-\pi}^0 + \frac{1}{2\pi} [x^2]_0^{\pi} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} [\pi^2 + \pi^2] \\ &= \frac{2\pi^2}{2\pi} \\ &= \pi. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |x| \cos nx dx \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x \cdot \cos nx dx \\ &= -\frac{4}{\pi n^2}, \text{ when } n \text{ is odd number (H.W)} \\ &= 0, \text{ when } n \text{ is even number.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{and } b_n &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |x| \sin nx dx \\ &= 0, \quad [\text{since } |x| \sin nx \text{ is an odd function.}] \end{aligned}$$

Then (1) reduces to,

$$|x| = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{4}{\pi} \left(\cos x + \frac{\cos 3x}{9} + \frac{\cos 5x}{25} + \dots \right).$$

2. Find a Fourier series representing $f(x)$ in $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$, when
- $$f(x) = 0, \quad -\pi \leq x \leq 0$$
- $$= \frac{\pi}{4} x, \quad 0 < x \leq \pi.$$

and deduce that,

$$\frac{\pi^2}{8} = 1 + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \dots$$

Given that,

$$f(x) = 0, \quad -\pi \leq x \leq 0, \\ = \frac{\pi x}{4}, \quad 0 \leq x \leq \pi.$$

The function $f(x)$ is bounded and integrable in $[-\pi, \pi]$ as it is continuous there. Also $f(x)$ is monotonic in each of the closed interval $[-\pi, 0]$, $[0, \pi]$. So, $f(x)$ satisfies Dirichlet's conditions in $[-\pi, \pi]$. Thus the function Fourier series for the function $f(x)$ converges to $f(x)$ on the closed interval $[-\pi, \pi]$.

Let $\frac{1}{2}a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx)$ be the Fourier series of the function $f(x)$.

Then,

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

$$\text{Now, } a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx \\ = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^0 0 \cdot dx + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \frac{\pi}{4} x dx \\ = \frac{\pi^2}{8}.$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cdot \cos nx dx \\ = \frac{\pi}{4\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x \cos nx dx \\ = -\frac{1}{2n^2}, \quad n \text{ is odd.}$$

$$= 0, \quad n \text{ is even.}$$

$$\text{and } b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cdot \sin nx dx \\ = \frac{\pi}{4\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x \sin nx dx \\ = -\frac{\pi}{4n}, \quad n \text{ is even} \\ = \frac{\pi}{4n}, \quad n \text{ is odd.}$$

\therefore (1) reduces to,

$$f(x) = \frac{\pi^2}{16} - \frac{1}{2} \left(\cos x + \frac{\cos 3x}{9} + \frac{\cos 5x}{25} + \dots \right) + \frac{\pi}{4} \left(\sin x - \frac{\sin 2x}{2} + \frac{\sin 3x}{3} - \dots \right).$$

This is the required Fourier series.

Putting $x=0$, in (2), we get,

$$\frac{\pi^2}{8} = 1 + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \dots$$

3. Expand in a series of sines and cosines of multiples of x , the function given by,

$$f(x) = x - \pi, \quad \text{when } -\pi < x < 0,$$

$$= \pi - x, \quad \text{when } 0 < x < \pi.$$

What is the sum of the series for $x = \pm\pi$ and $x = 0$?

Here $f(x)$ is not defined at $x = 0, \pm\pi$, where it can be defined in any manner, for convenience, let us take $f(x) = x - \pi$ at $x = -\pi, 0$ and $f(x) = \pi - x$ at $x = \pi$. Thus the function $f(x)$ being continuous in $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$ except at $x = 0$, where there is an arbitrary discontinuity, is bounded and integrable there. Further $f(x)$ is monotonic in each of the open interval $-\pi < x < 0$ and $0 < x < \pi$. Then $f(x)$ satisfies Dirichlet's conditions in $[-\pi, \pi]$.

Now, $a_0 = -\pi,$

$$a_n = \frac{2[1 - (-1)^n]}{n^2 \pi}$$

and $b_n = \frac{2[1 - (-1)^n]}{n} \quad (\text{H.W})$

Thus the Fourier series corresponding to $f(x)$ is

$$-\frac{1}{2}\pi + \frac{4}{\pi} \left[\frac{\cos x}{1^2} + \frac{\cos 3x}{3^2} + \frac{\cos 5x}{5^2} + \dots \right] + 4 \left[\frac{\sin x}{1} + \frac{\sin 3x}{3} + \dots \right],$$

$$-\pi < x < 0, \quad 0 < x < \pi, \quad (1)$$

Also $f(x)$ is continuous in $-\pi < x < 0, 0 < x < \pi$.

$$f(x) = -\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{4}{\pi} \left[\cos x + \frac{\cos 3x}{3^2} + \frac{\cos 5x}{5^2} + \dots \right] + 4 \left[\sin x + \frac{\sin 3x}{3} + \dots \right]$$

When $x = 0$ is a point of discontinuity of $f(x)$, therefore, the sum of the series for $x = 0$ is

$$\frac{1}{2} [f(+0) + f(-0)] = \frac{1}{2} (\pi - \pi) = 0.$$

Hence we conclude that,

$$f(x) = -\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{4}{\pi} \left[\cos x + \frac{\cos 3x}{3^2} + \frac{\cos 5x}{5^2} + \dots \right] + 4 \left[\sin x + \frac{\sin 3x}{3} + \dots \right],$$

$$-\pi < x < \pi$$

Putting $x = 0$ in (1), we get,

$$\frac{\pi^2}{8} = 1 + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \dots \quad (2)$$

for $x = \pm\pi$, the sum of the series = $\frac{1}{2} [f(\pi-0) + f(-\pi+0)]$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [0 + (-2\pi)] = -\pi$$

Putting $x = \pm\pi$, we obtain the B&S result,

$$\frac{\pi^2}{8} = 1 + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \dots$$

$$4) \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) = -\frac{\pi}{4}, \text{ when } -\pi < x < 0,$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{4}, \text{ when } 0 < x < \pi$$

$f(-\pi) = f(0) = f(\pi) = 0$ and $f(x+\pi) = f(x)$ for all x , then show that for all x ,

$$f(x) = \sin x + \frac{1}{3} \sin 3x + \frac{1}{5} \sin 5x + \dots$$

$$\text{Deduce that } \frac{\pi}{4} = 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \dots$$

Here $f(x)$ being continuous in $-\pi < x < \pi$ except at $x=0, \pm\pi$, where there are an arbitrary discontinuity, is bounded and integrable there. Further $f(x)$ is monotonic in each of the open intervals $-\pi < x < -\pi/2$ and $-\pi/2 < x < 0$ and $0 < x < \pi/2$ and $\pi/2 < x < \pi$. Thus $f(x)$ satisfies Dirichlet's conditions in $-\pi < x < \pi$.

$$\text{Now, } a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx$$

$$= 0.$$

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

$$= 0$$

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

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^0 \left(-\frac{x}{4}\right) \sin nx dx + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \left(\frac{x}{4}\right) \sin nx dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[\cos nx \right]_{-\pi}^0 + \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[\cos nx \right]_0^{\pi}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2\pi} \cos n\pi + \frac{1}{2\pi}$$

$$= 0, \quad n \text{ is even}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi}, \quad n \text{ is odd.}$$

Thus the Fourier series corresponding to $f(x)$ is

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \{1 - (-1)^n\} \sin nx$$

$$= \sin x + \frac{\sin 3x}{3} + \frac{\sin 5x}{5} + \dots, \quad -\pi < x < 0, \quad 0 < x < \pi.$$

—————(2)

also $f(x)$ is continuous in $-\pi < x < 0$, $0 < x < \pi$

$$\therefore f(x) = \sin x + \frac{\sin 3x}{3} + \frac{\sin 5x}{5} + \dots$$

When $x=0$, is a point of discontinuity of $f(x)$, therefore, the sum of the series for $x=0$ is

$$\frac{1}{2} [f(0+) + f(0-)] = \frac{1}{2} [\pi/4 - \pi/4] = 0.$$

Similarly, for $x = \pm\pi$, the sum of the series

$$\frac{1}{2} [f(\pi-0) + f(-\pi+0)] = 0 = f(\pm\pi).$$

Also,

$$f(x+2\pi) = f(x), \text{ for all } x.$$

Hence we conclude that,

$$f(x) = \sin x$$

$$f(x) = \sin x + \frac{\sin 3x}{3} + \frac{\sin 5x}{5} + \dots \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Putting $x = \pi/2$, in (2), we get,

$$f(\pi/2) = \sin \pi/2 + \frac{1}{3} \sin 3\pi/2 + \frac{1}{5} \sin 5\pi/2 + \dots$$

$$\therefore \frac{\pi}{4} = 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \dots$$

5. Expand a Fourier series $x+x^2$ in $-\pi < x < \pi$ and deduce that

$$\frac{\pi^2}{6} = 1 + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \dots$$

$$\text{Let } f(x) = x+x^2 \text{ in } -\pi < x < \pi.$$

We may define $f(x)$ at the end points $x = \pm\pi$ arbitrarily.

But for convenience we take $f(x) = x+x^2$ in $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$. Now $f(x)$ is bounded and integrable in $[-\pi, \pi]$ because of its continuity in the same closed interval. Further, $f'(x) = 1+2x$, so that $f'(x) > 0$ for

$x > -1/2$ and $f'(x) < 0$ for $x < -1/2$. Thus $f(x)$ is monotonic decreasing in $-\pi < x < -1/2$ and monotonic increasing in $-1/2 < x \leq \pi$.

Hence $f(x)$ satisfies Dirichlet's conditions in $[-\pi, \pi]$.

$$\text{Now, } a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (x+x^2) dx = \frac{2}{3} \cdot \pi^2.$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (x+x^2) \cos nx dx = \frac{4}{n^2} \cos n\pi = \frac{4}{n^2}, \text{ when } n \text{ is even}$$
$$= -\frac{4}{n^2}, \text{ when } n \text{ is odd.}$$

$$\text{Similarly, } b_n = -\frac{2}{n}, \text{ when } n \text{ is even}$$
$$= \frac{2}{n}, \text{ when } n \text{ is odd.}$$

Thus Fourier series corresponding to $f(x)$ is

$$\frac{\pi^2}{3} + 4 \left\{ -\cos x + \frac{\cos 2x}{2^2} - \frac{\cos 3x}{3^2} + \dots \right\} + 2 \left[\sin x - \frac{\sin 2x}{2^2} + \frac{\sin 3x}{3} - \frac{\sin 4x}{4} + \dots \right]$$

Also $f(x)$ is continuous in $-\pi < x < \pi$,

$$\therefore x+x^2 = \frac{\pi^2}{3} + 4 \left[-\cos x + \frac{\cos 2x}{2} - \frac{\cos 3x}{3} + \dots \right] + 2 \left[\sin x - \frac{\sin 2x}{2} + \frac{\sin 3x}{3} - \dots \right] \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

Next at $x = \pm\pi$, the sum of the series,

$$= \frac{1}{2} [f(-\pi+0) + f(\pi-0)]$$

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

$$= \pi^2.$$

Putting $x = \pm\pi$, in (i), we get,

$$\pi^2 = \frac{\pi^2}{3} - 4 \left(-1 - \frac{1}{2^2} - \frac{1}{3^2} - \frac{1}{4^2} - \dots \right)$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{\pi^2}{6} = 1 + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{4^2} + \dots$$

6) Find the Fourier series which represents $\sin x$ in $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$.

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7) Find a series of Cosines of multiples of n which will represent $f(x) = x$ in the closed interval $0 \leq x \leq \pi$.

Observe that $f(x)$ is bounded and integrable in $0 \leq x \leq \pi$, since it is continuous there. Further $f'(x) = 1 > 0$ indicates that $f(x)$ is monotonic increasing in the entire interval. Thus $f(x)$ satisfies Dirichlet's conditions in $0 \leq x \leq \pi$. Hence it can be expanded in Fourier Cosine series in the form

$$\frac{1}{2}a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx$$

where $a_0 = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x dx = \pi$.

$$\text{and } a_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x \cos nx dx = \frac{2}{n^2 \pi} (\cos nx - x) = \begin{cases} 0 & , n \text{ even} \\ -\frac{4}{n^2 \pi} & , n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

So the Fourier series corresponding to $f(x)$ is

$$\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{4}{\pi} \left\{ \cos x + \frac{\cos 3x}{3^2} + \frac{\cos 5x}{5^2} + \dots \right\}$$

Also $f(x) = x$ is continuous in $0 \leq x \leq \pi$.

\therefore We get, $x = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{4}{\pi} \left\{ \cos x + \frac{\cos 3x}{3^2} + \frac{\cos 5x}{5^2} + \dots \right\}$, in $0 \leq x \leq \pi$.

Deduction, At $x=0$

$$0 = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{4}{\pi} \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \dots \right\}$$

$$\therefore 1 + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \dots = \frac{\pi^2}{8}$$

8) Find a series of Sines of multiples of n which will represent x in $0 \leq x < \pi$.

Let $f(x) = x$ in $0 \leq x < \pi$.

We may define $f(x)$ at the end point π arbitrarily. But for convenience let us define $f(x) = x$ in $0 \leq x < \pi$. Then $f(x)$ is bounded and integrable in the interval $0 \leq x < \pi$, since it is continuous there.

Since $f'(x) = 1 > 0$, then $f(x)$ is monotone increasing in the interval $0 \leq x < \pi$. Thus $f(x)$ satisfies Dirichlet's conditions in $0 \leq x < \pi$.

Hence Fourier sine series corresponding to $f(x)$ is

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin nx$$

$$\therefore b_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x \sin nx dx = \frac{2}{\pi n} [x \cos nx]_0^{\pi} + \frac{2}{\pi n^2} [\sin nx]_0^{\pi}$$

$$= -\frac{2}{n} \quad , n \text{ is even}$$

$$= \frac{2}{n} \quad , n \text{ is odd}$$

The Fourier sine series corresponding to $f(x)$ is :

$$\frac{2-x}{\pi} \left\{ \sin x - \frac{\sin 2x}{2} + \frac{\sin 3x}{3} - \frac{\sin 4x}{4} + \dots \right\}$$

Also $f(x)$ is continuous in $0 \leq x < \pi$, then the series is,

$$x = 2 \left\{ \sin x - \frac{\sin 2x}{2} + \frac{\sin 3x}{3} - \frac{\sin 4x}{4} + \dots \right\}$$

Deduction, At $x=0$, the sum of the series is $0 = f(0)$ for $0 \leq x < \pi$, and at $x=\pi$, the sum of the series is $0 \neq f(\pi)$.

$$\therefore x = 2 \left\{ \sin x - \frac{\sin 2x}{2} + \frac{\sin 3x}{3} - \frac{\sin 4x}{4} + \dots \right\}$$

9) Expand $f(x)$ in Fourier Cosine series in $0 \leq x < \pi$ where $f(x) = \sin x$, $0 < x < \pi$.

$$\text{Ans. } f(x) = \frac{2}{\pi} \left\{ 1 - 2 \left(\frac{\cos 2x}{2^2-1} + \frac{\cos 4x}{4^2-1} + \frac{\cos 6x}{6^2-1} + \dots \right) \right\}$$

10) Expand $f(x)$ in Fourier sine series in $0 \leq x \leq \pi$, where

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{4} \pi x, \quad 0 \leq x \leq \pi/2$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \pi (\pi - x), \quad \pi/2 \leq x \leq \pi.$$

$$\text{Ans. } f(x) = \sin x - \frac{1}{3^2} \sin 3x + \frac{1}{5^2} \sin 5x + \dots$$

11) Develop $f(x)$ in Fourier series in $-\pi < x < \pi$ if

$$f(x) = 0 \quad \text{for } -\pi < x < 0$$

$$= \pi \quad \text{for } 0 < x < \pi.$$

$$\text{Ans. } \frac{1}{2} \pi + 2 \left\{ \sin x + \frac{\sin 3x}{3} + \frac{\sin 5x}{5} + \dots \right\}$$

12) Obtain the Fourier series corresponding to the function $f(x)$ where

$$f(x) = 0 \quad \text{where } -\pi < x < 0$$

$$= 1 \quad \text{where } 0 < x < \pi.$$

$$\text{Ans. } \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\sin (2n+1)x}{2n+1}$$

13) Expand $f(x) = x$, $0 < x < 2$, in a Fourier Cosine series.

$$\text{Let } f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos \left(\frac{n\pi x}{l} \right), \quad \text{here } l=2.$$

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

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

$$= \frac{4}{n^2 \pi^2} (\cos n\pi - 1)$$

$$= \frac{4}{n^2 \pi^2} [(-1)^n - 1], \quad \text{if } n \neq 0.$$

$$\therefore a_n = -\frac{8}{n^2 \pi^2} \text{ if } n=1, 3, 5, \dots \text{ and } a_n = 0 \text{ if } n=2, 4, 6, \dots$$

$$\text{Also, } a_0 = \frac{2}{l} \int_0^l f(x) dx = 2.$$

$$\therefore f(x) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{n^2 \pi^2} \{(-1)^n - 1\} \cos \frac{n\pi x}{2} = 1 - \frac{8}{\pi^2} \left[\cos \frac{\pi x}{2} + \frac{\cos \frac{9\pi x}{2}}{9^2} + \dots \right]$$

The L²-theory of Fourier Series

A function f is said to be square integrable over $[0, 2\pi]$ when f is said measurable and $\int_0^{2\pi} f^2 dx < \infty$. In this case, we also write $f^2 \in L^1 [0, 2\pi]$ or $f \in L^2 [0, 2\pi]$.

Parseval's Identity for Fourier Series

Let the Fourier Series $\frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx)$ of $f(x)$ converge uniformly to $f(x)$ at every point of the interval $(0, 2\pi)$ and let $f(x) \in L^1 [0, 2\pi]$. Then

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} [f(x)]^2 dx = \frac{a_0^2}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n^2 + b_n^2)$$

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

Multiplying (1) by $f(x)$ and then integrating, we get,

$$\int_0^{2\pi} [f(x)]^2 dx = \frac{a_0}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) dx + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[a_n \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \cos nx dx + b_n \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \sin nx dx \right]$$

Making use of the fact that

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

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \sin nx dx$$

we get,

$$\int_0^{2\pi} [f(x)]^2 dx = \frac{a_0}{2} \pi a + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\pi a_n^2 + \pi b_n^2)$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} [f(x)]^2 dx = \frac{a_0^2}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n^2 + b_n^2)$$

Bessel's Inequality

We now first prove

$$\frac{a_0^2}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^m (a_n^2 + b_n^2) \leq \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-l}^l [f(x)]^2 dx$$

where a_n and b_n are the Fourier coefficients of $f(x)$, $f(x)$ being piecewise continuous in $(-l, l)$.

Proof We have

$$f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^m \left[a_n \cos \left(\frac{n\pi x}{l} \right) + b_n \sin \left(\frac{n\pi x}{l} \right) \right] \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

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

$$b_n = \frac{1}{l} \int_{-l}^l f(x) \sin \left(\frac{n\pi x}{l} \right) dx \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\text{Take } S_m(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^m \left[a_n \cos \left(\frac{n\pi x}{l} \right) + b_n \sin \left(\frac{n\pi x}{l} \right) \right] \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

Evidently,

$$[f - S_m]^2 \geq 0$$

Expand $f(x)$ in Fourier cosine series in $0 \leq x \leq \pi$ where $f(x) = \sin x$, $0 < x < \pi$.

Solution: Here $f(x)$ is not defined at $x=0, \pi$ where it can be defined in any manner. For convenience let us take $f(x) = \sin x$ at $x=0, \pi$. Thus $f(x)$ being continuous in $0 \leq x \leq \pi$, is bounded and integrable there. Further $f(x)$ is monotonic in each of the interval $0 < x < \pi/2$ and $\pi/2 \leq x < \pi$. Thus $f(x)$ satisfies Dirichlet's condition in $[0, \pi]$ Fourier cosine series corresponding to $f(x)$ is $f = \sin x$ is,

$$\frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} a_m \cos mx$$

$$\text{where, } a_0 = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin x dx = \frac{2}{\pi} (-\cos x)_0^{\pi} = \frac{4}{\pi}$$

$$\text{and, } a_m = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin x \cos mx dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} [\sin(m+1)x - \sin(m-1)x] dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \times \left[-\frac{\cos(m+1)x}{(m+1)} + \frac{\cos(m-1)x}{(m-1)} \right]_0^{\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \times \left[-\frac{\cos(m+1)\pi}{m+1} + \frac{\cos(m-1)\pi}{m-1} + \frac{1}{m+1} - \frac{1}{m-1} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \times \left[\frac{\cos m\pi}{m+1} - \frac{\cos m\pi}{m-1} - \frac{2}{m^2-1} \right]$$

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

$$= -\frac{1}{\pi} \times \frac{2}{m^2-1} \cdot (\cos m\pi + 1)$$

$$= -\frac{2}{\pi(m^2-1)} \cdot \{(-1)^m + 1\} = -\frac{4}{\pi(m^2-1)}, \text{ when } m \text{ is even}$$

$$= 0, \text{ when } m \text{ is odd.}$$

Thus, the Fourier series corresponding to $f(x)$ is,

$$\frac{2}{\pi} - \frac{4}{\pi} \left(\frac{\cos 2x}{3} + \frac{\cos 4x}{15} + \frac{\cos 6x}{35} + \dots \right)$$

Also, $f(x)$ is continuous in $0 < x < \pi$.

$$\therefore f(x) = \frac{2}{\pi} \left[1 - 2 \left(\frac{\cos 2x}{3} + \frac{\cos 4x}{15} + \frac{\cos 6x}{35} + \dots \right) \right]$$

Next at $x=0$, the sum of series is,

$$\frac{1}{2} [f(+0) + f(-0)] = \frac{1}{2} \times 0 = 0$$

and at π the sum of series is 0. Hence, $x = \frac{2}{\pi} \left\{ 1 - 2 \left(\frac{\cos 2x}{3} + \frac{\cos 4x}{15} + \frac{\cos 6x}{35} + \dots \right) \right\}$

7. Let $f(x) = \frac{1}{4} \pi x$, when $0 \leq x \leq \pi/2$

$= \frac{1}{4} \pi (\pi - x)$, when $\pi/2 \leq x \leq \pi$

Find: (1) a series of cosines of multiples of x which will represent $f(x)$ in the interval $0 \leq x \leq \pi$

(2) a series of sines of multiples of x which will represent $f(x)$ in the interval

Solution: Here $f(x)$ is bounded, integrable and piecewise monotonic in $[0, \pi]$. Thus, $f(x)$ satisfies Dirichlet's condition in $[0, \pi]$.

(1) Hence fourier cosine series corresponding to $f(x)$ is,

$$\frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx$$

where, $a_0 = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{1}{4} \pi x dx + \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{\pi/2}^{\pi} \frac{1}{4} \pi (\pi - x) dx$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [x^2]_0^{\pi/2} + \frac{1}{2} [\pi x - x^2]_{\pi/2}^{\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\pi^2}{8} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\pi^2}{8} = \frac{\pi^2}{8}$$

$$a_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{1}{4} \pi x \cdot \cos nx dx + \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{\pi/2}^{\pi} \frac{1}{4} \pi (\pi - x) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \left[\frac{x \sin nx}{n} \right]_0^{\pi/2} - \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{\sin nx}{n} dx \right\} + \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \left[(\pi - x) \frac{\sin nx}{n} \right]_{\pi/2}^{\pi} + \int_{\pi/2}^{\pi} \frac{\sin nx}{n} dx \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2n} \left\{ \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \cdot \frac{\sin \frac{n\pi}{2}}{2} \right) + \left[\frac{\cos nx}{n} \right]_0^{\pi/2} \right\} + \frac{1}{2n} \left\{ \left(0 - \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{\sin \frac{n\pi}{2}}{2} \right) + \left[-\frac{\cos nx}{n} \right]_{\pi/2}^{\pi} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2n} \left\{ \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{\sin \frac{n\pi}{2}}{2} + \frac{1}{n} \cos \frac{n\pi}{2} - \frac{1}{n} \right\} + \frac{1}{2n} \left\{ -\frac{\pi}{2} \frac{\sin \frac{n\pi}{2}}{2} - \frac{1}{n} \cos n\pi + \frac{1}{n} \cos \frac{n\pi}{2} \right\}$$

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

So, the fourier cosine series corresponding to $f(x)$ is,

$$\frac{\pi^2}{16} - 2 \left(\frac{1}{2^2} \cos 2x + \frac{1}{4^2} \cos 4x + \dots \right)$$

(2) Hence, the fourier sine series corresponding to $f(x)$ is,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin nx$$

where, $b_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) \cdot \sin nx dx$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{1}{4} \pi x \sin nx dx + \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{\pi/2}^{\pi} \frac{1}{4} \pi (\pi - x) \sin nx dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \left[-\frac{x \cos nx}{n} \right]_0^{\pi/2} + \frac{1}{n} \int_0^{\pi/2} \cos nx dx \right\} + \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \left[-(\pi - x) \frac{\cos nx}{n} \right]_{\pi/2}^{\pi} - \int_{\pi/2}^{\pi} (-1) \left(-\frac{\cos nx}{n} \right) dx \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{or, } b_m &= \frac{1}{2m} \left\{ (-\sqrt{2} \cos \frac{n\pi}{2} + 0) + \left[\frac{\sin nx}{n} \right]_0^{\pi/2} \right\} + \frac{1}{2m} \times \left\{ (0 + \sqrt{2} \cos \frac{n\pi}{2}) - \left[\frac{\sin nx}{n} \right]_{\pi/2}^{\pi} \right\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2m} \left(-\sqrt{2} \cos \frac{n\pi}{2} + \frac{1}{n} \sin \frac{n\pi}{2} \right) + \frac{1}{2m} \left(\sqrt{2} \cos \frac{n\pi}{2} + \frac{1}{n} \sin \frac{n\pi}{2} \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{n^2} \cdot \frac{\sin n\pi}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

So, the Fourier sine series corresponding to $f(x)$ is,

$$\sin x - \frac{1}{3^2} \sin 3x + \frac{1}{5^2} \sin 5x - \dots$$

Also, $f(x)$ is continuous in $0 \leq x \leq \pi$, so

$$f(x) = \sin x - \frac{1}{3^2} \sin 3x + \frac{1}{5^2} \sin 5x - \dots$$

3. Develop $f(x)$ in Fourier series in $-\pi < x < \pi$ if

$$f(x) = 0, \text{ for } -\pi < x < 0$$

$$= \pi, \text{ for } 0 < x < \pi$$

Solution: Here $f(x)$ is not defined at $x=0$.

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \pi dx = \pi$$

$$a_m = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos mx dx = 1 \times 0 = 0$$

$$b_m = \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \pi \int_0^{\pi} \sin mx dx = \left[-\frac{\cos mx}{m} \right]_0^{\pi} = -\frac{\cos m\pi}{m} + \frac{1}{m}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{(-1)^{m+1}}{m} + \frac{1}{m} = 0, \text{ if } m \text{ is even} \\
 &= \frac{2}{m}, \text{ if } m \text{ is odd.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$f(x) = \pi/2 + 2 \left(\sin x + \frac{\sin 3x}{3} + \frac{\sin 5x}{5} + \dots \right), \text{ in } -\pi < x < 0 \text{ and } 0 < x < \pi.$$

When $x=0$, which is a point of discontinuity of $f(x)$ we have,

$$\frac{1}{2} [f(+0) + f(-0)] = \frac{1}{2} (\pi + 0) = \pi/2 = f(0)$$

Hence, $f(x) = \pi/2 + 2 \left(\sin x + \frac{\sin 3x}{3} + \frac{\sin 5x}{5} + \dots \right)$, in $-\pi < x < \pi$.

9. Obtain the fourier series corresponding to the function $f(x)$ where,

$$f(x) = 0, \text{ when } -\pi < x < 0$$

$$= 1, \text{ when } 0 \leq x \leq \pi$$

Solution: Here $f(x)$ is not defined at $x = -\pi$ where it can be defined in any manner. For convenience let us take $f(x) = 0$ at $x = -\pi$. Thus $f(x)$ being continuous in $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$ except at $x = 0$, which is an ordinary point of discontinuity, and it is bounded and integrable there. Further $f(x)$ is piecewise monotonic. Thus $f(x)$ satisfies Dirichlet's conditions in $[-\pi, \pi]$.

Now,

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cdot dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^0 f(x) dx + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) dx$$

$$= 1$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \cos nx \cdot dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[\frac{\sin nx}{n} \right]_0^{\pi} = 0$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin nx \cdot dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[-\frac{\cos nx}{n} \right]_0^{\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{n\pi} \times (-\cos n\pi + 1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n\pi} \times \{(-1)^{n+1} + 1\} = \frac{2}{n\pi}, \text{ if } n \text{ is odd}$$

$$= 0, \text{ if } n \text{ is even}$$

So the fourier series corresponding to $f(x)$ is,

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{\pi} \left(\sin x + \frac{\sin 3x}{3} + \frac{\sin 5x}{5} + \dots \right), \text{ in } [-\pi, \pi]$$

10. Obtain a fourier series of a periodic function f with period 2π defined as

$$f(x) = -1, -\pi < x < 0$$

$$= 0, x = 0$$

$$= 1, 0 < x < \pi. \text{ Deduce from the series and obtain } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4n-1} = 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \dots$$

What is the value of the series at $x = 0, \pm\pi$?

Solution:

Here $f(x)$ is not defined at $x = \pm\pi$, where it can be defined in any manner. For convenience let us take $f(x) = -1$ at $x = -\pi$ and $f(x) = 1$ at $x = \pi$. Thus $f(x)$ being continuous in $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$ except at $x = 0$, is bounded and integrable there. Further $f(x)$ is monotonic in each open interval $(-\pi, 0)$ and $(0, \pi)$. Thus $f(x)$ satisfies Dirichlet's conditions in $[-\pi, \pi]$.

Now,

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^0 f(x) dx + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) dx$$

$$= 0$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^0 (-1) \cos nx dx + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \cos nx dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left\{ - \left[\frac{\sin nx}{n} \right]_{-\pi}^0 + \left[\frac{\sin nx}{n} \right]_0^{\pi} \right\}$$

$$= 0$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^0 -\sin nx dx + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin nx dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left\{ - \left[-\frac{\cos nx}{n} \right]_{-\pi}^0 + \left[-\frac{\cos nx}{n} \right]_0^{\pi} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi n} \times \{ -(-1 + \cos n\pi) + (-\cos n\pi + 1) \}$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi n} (1 - \cos n\pi) = \frac{4}{\pi n} \text{ if } n \text{ is odd}$$

$$= 0 \text{ if } n \text{ is even}$$

Hence the fourier series corresponding to $f(x)$ is,

$$\frac{4}{\pi} \left(\frac{\sin x}{1} + \frac{\sin 3x}{3} + \frac{\sin 5x}{5} + \dots \right), \text{ in } -\pi < x < 0 \text{ and } 0 < x < \pi.$$

Also, $f(x)$ is continuous in $[-\pi, \pi]$. Therefore,

$$f(x) = \frac{4}{\pi} \left(\frac{\sin x}{1} + \frac{\sin 3x}{3} + \frac{\sin 5x}{5} + \dots \right)$$

When $x=0$ is a point of discontinuity of $f(x)$, the sum of the series for $x=0$ is,

$$\frac{1}{2} \{ f(0+0) + f(0-0) \} = \frac{1}{2} \times (1-1) = 0 = f(0)$$

Similarly, for $x=\pm\pi$ the sum of series is,

$$\frac{1}{2} \{ f(\pi-0) + f(-\pi+0) \} = \frac{1}{2} (1-1) = 0$$

Also, since f is a periodic function with period 2π , so,

$$f(x \pm 2\pi) = f(x)$$

Hence we conclude that

$$f(x) = \frac{4}{\pi} \left\{ \sin x + \frac{\sin 3x}{3} + \frac{\sin 5x}{5} + \dots \right\} \quad \forall x \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Putting $x = \pi/2$ in (1) we have,

$$f(\pi/2) = \frac{4}{\pi} (1 - 1/3 + 1/5 - 1/7 + \dots)$$

$$\text{or } 1 = \frac{4}{\pi} (1 - 1/3 + 1/5 - 1/7 + \dots)$$

$$\text{or } \pi/4 = 1 - 1/3 + 1/5 - 1/7 + \dots$$

11. Find the fourier series for $f(x)$ on $0 < x < 2\pi$, where $f(x) = (x-\pi)^2$ and $f(x) = \pi^2$, $\pi \leq x \leq 2\pi$. Hence deduce the value of $\sum 1/n^2$.

12. Find the fourier series of sine of multiples of x , which will represent the function in the interval $0 < x < \pi$, where.

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \pi/3, \text{ when } 0 < x < \pi/3 \\ &= 0, \text{ when } \pi/3 < x < 2\pi/3 \\ &= -\pi/3, \text{ when } 2\pi/3 < x < \pi. \end{aligned}$$

Find the sum of the series at the points $2\pi/3$ and π .

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} b_n &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) dx \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/3} \pi/3 \sin nx dx + \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{\pi/3}^{2\pi/3} 0 \cdot \sin nx dx + \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{2\pi/3}^{\pi} (-\pi/3) \sin nx dx \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{3} \left[-\frac{\cos nx}{n} \right]_0^{\pi/3} - \frac{2\pi}{3} \left[-\frac{\cos nx}{n} \right]_{2\pi/3}^{\pi} \\ &= \frac{2}{3n} (\cos n\pi - \cos \frac{2n\pi}{3} - \cos \frac{n\pi}{3} + 1) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the corresponding fourier series is,

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin nx \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{3n} \left[(-1)^n - \cos \frac{2n\pi}{3} - \cos \frac{n\pi}{3} + 1 \right] \sin nx \\ &= \sin 2x + \frac{1}{2} \sin 4x + \frac{1}{4} \sin 8x + \frac{1}{8} \sin 16x + \frac{1}{16} \sin 32x + \dots \quad \text{--- ①} \end{aligned}$$

Now, $f(2\pi/3) = \frac{f(2\pi/3-0) + f(2\pi/3+0)}{2} = -\pi/6$

Putting $x = \pi$ in ① we have,

$$f(\pi) = 0$$