# Math 2280 - Assignment 13

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### Section 9.1 - Periodic Functions and Trigonometric Series

**9.1.1** - Sketch the graph of the function *f* defined for all *t* by the given formula, and determine whether it is periodic. If so, find its smallest period.

$$f(t) = \sin 3t$$



**9.1.8** - Sketch the graph of the function *f* defined for all *t* by the given formula, and determine whether it is periodic. If so, find its smallest period.

 $f(t) = \sinh \pi t.$ Solution -> 4 Not periodic.

**9.1.11** - The value of a period  $2\pi$  function f(t) in one full period is given below. Sketch several periods of its graph and find its Fourier series.

$$f(t) = 1, \qquad -\pi \le t \le \pi.$$



Just the constant function 1. The Fourier series for this will be just 1, but let's formally calculate it anyways.

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} dt = \frac{1}{\pi} (\pi - (-\pi)) = 2.$$

For  $n \ge 1$ :

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos(nt) dt = \frac{1}{n\pi} \sin(nt) \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} = 0 - 0 = 0.$$
$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin(nt) dt = \frac{-1}{n\pi} \cos(nt) \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} = -\frac{1}{n\pi} (\cos(n\pi) - \cos(n\pi)) = 0.$$

So, the Fourier series for 1 is:

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

Wow!

**9.1.13** - The value of a period  $2\pi$  function f(t) in one full period is given below. Sketch several periods of its graph and find its Fourier series.

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & -\pi < t \le 0 \\ 1 & 0 < t \le \pi \end{cases}$$



The Fourier coefficients are:

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t) dt = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{0}^{\pi} dt = \frac{1}{\pi} (\pi - 0) = 1$$

For  $n \ge 1$ :

$$a_{n} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t) \cos(nt) dt = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{0}^{\pi} \cos(nt) dt = \frac{1}{n\pi} \sin(nt) \Big|_{0}^{\pi} = 0 - 0 = 0.$$
  
$$b_{n} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t) \sin(nt) dt = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{0}^{\pi} \sin(nt) dt = \frac{-1}{n\pi} \cos(nt) \Big|_{0}^{\pi} = -\frac{1}{n\pi} (\cos(n\pi) - 1) = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{n\pi} & n \text{ odd} \\ 0 & n \text{ even} \end{cases}.$$

So, the Fourier series is:

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{\pi} \left( \sin(t) + \frac{1}{3}\sin(3t) + \frac{1}{5}\sin(5t) + \cdots \right).$$

**9.1.21** - The value of a period  $2\pi$  function f(t) in one full period is given below. Sketch several periods of its graph and find its Fourier series.

$$f(t) = t^2, \qquad -\pi \le t < \pi$$



$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} t^2 dt = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} t^2 dt = \frac{2}{3\pi} t^3 \Big|_0^{\pi} = \frac{2\pi^2}{3}.$$

For  $n \ge 1$ :

$$a_{n} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} t^{2} \cos(nt) dt =$$

$$\frac{2}{\pi} \left( \frac{t^{2} \sin(nt)}{n} + \frac{2t \cos(nt)}{n^{2}} - \frac{2 \sin(nt)}{n^{3}} \right) \Big|_{0}^{\pi} = \frac{2}{\pi} \left( \frac{2\pi \cos(n\pi)}{n^{2}} \right) =$$

$$\frac{4(-1)^{n}}{n^{2}}.$$

$$b_{n} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} t^{2} \sin(nt) dt = 0 \quad \text{(Odd function.)}$$

So, the Fourier series is:

$$\frac{\pi^2}{3} - 4\left(\cos\left(t\right) - \frac{\cos\left(2n\right)}{4} + \frac{\cos\left(3t\right)}{9} - \frac{\cos\left(4t\right)}{16} + \cdots\right).$$

## Section 9.2 - General Fourier Series and Convergence

**9.2.1** - The values of a periodic function f(t) in one full period are given below; at each discontinuity the value of f(t) is that given by the average value condition. Sketch the graph of f and find its Fourier series.

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} -2 & -3 < t < 0\\ 2 & 0 < t < 3 \end{cases}$$



The function f(t) is odd, so all the cosine terms will be 0. The sine terms are:

$$b_n = \frac{1}{3} \int_{-3}^{3} f(t) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi t}{3}\right) dt = \frac{2}{3} \int_{0}^{3} 2\sin\left(\frac{n\pi t}{3}\right) dt$$
$$= \frac{4}{3} \int_{0}^{3} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi t}{3}\right) dt = \frac{4}{n\pi} (-\cos(n\pi) - (-1)) = \begin{cases} \frac{8}{n\pi} & n \text{ odd} \\ 0 & n \text{ even} \end{cases}$$

The Fourier series for f(t) is:

$$\frac{8}{\pi}\left(\sin\left(\frac{\pi t}{3}\right) + \frac{1}{3}\sin\left(\frac{3\pi t}{3}\right) + \frac{1}{5}\sin\left(\frac{5\pi t}{3}\right) + \cdots\right).$$

**9.2.9** - The values of a periodic function f(t) in one full period are given below; at each discontinuity the value of f(t) is that given by the average value condition. Sketch the graph of f and find its Fourier series.

$$f(t) = t^2, \qquad -1 < t < 1$$



The function f(t) is even, so all the sine terms in its Fourier series are zero. As for the cosine terms we have:

$$a_{0} = \int_{-1}^{1} t^{2} dt = \frac{t^{3}}{3} \Big|_{-1}^{1} = \frac{1}{3} - \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) = \frac{2}{3}.$$

$$a_{n} = \int_{-1}^{1} t^{2} \cos\left(n\pi t\right) dt = 2 \int_{0}^{1} t^{2} \cos\left(n\pi t\right) dt$$

$$= 2 \left(\frac{t^{2} \sin\left(n\pi t\right)}{n\pi} + \frac{2t \cos\left(n\pi t\right)}{n^{2}\pi^{2}} - \frac{2 \sin\left(n\pi t\right)}{n^{3}\pi^{3}}\right) \Big|_{0}^{1} = \frac{4}{n^{2}\pi^{2}} \cos\left(n\pi\right)$$

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

So, the Fourier series for the function f(t) is:

$$\frac{1}{3} - \frac{4}{\pi^2} \left( \cos(\pi t) - \frac{\cos(2\pi t)}{4} + \frac{\cos(3\pi t)}{9} - \cdots \right).$$

#### 9.2.15 -

(a) - Suppose that f is a function of period  $2\pi$  with  $f(t) = t^2$  for  $0 < t < 2\pi$ . Show that

$$f(t) = \frac{4\pi^2}{3} + 4\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos nt}{n^2} - 4\pi \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin nt}{n}$$

and sketch the graph of f, indicating the value at each discontinuity.

(b) - Deduce the series summations

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6}$$

and

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{12}$$

from the Fourier series in part (a).

Solution -



$$a_{0} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{0}^{2\pi} t^{2} dt = \frac{1}{\pi} \left(\frac{t^{3}}{3}\right) \Big|_{0}^{2\pi} = \frac{8\pi^{2}}{3}.$$

$$a_{n} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{0}^{2\pi} t^{2} \cos\left(nt\right) dt =$$

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \left(\frac{t^{2} \sin\left(nt\right)}{n} + \frac{2t \cos\left(nt\right)}{n^{2}} - \frac{2 \sin\left(nt\right)}{n^{3}}\right) \Big|_{0}^{2\pi}$$

$$= \frac{9\pi \cos\left(2n\pi\right)}{\pi n^{2}} = \frac{4}{n^{2}}.$$

$$b_{n} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{0}^{2\pi} t^{2} \sin\left(nt\right) dt =$$

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \left(-\frac{t^{2} \cos\left(nt\right)}{n} - \frac{2t \sin\left(nt\right)}{n^{2}} + \frac{2 \sin\left(nt\right)}{n^{3}}\right) \Big|_{0}^{2\pi}$$

$$= -\frac{4\pi \cos\left(2n\pi\right)}{n} = -\frac{4\pi}{n}.$$

So, the Fourier series for the function f(t) is:

$$\frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos(nt) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin(nt)$$
$$= \frac{4\pi^2}{3} + 4\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(nt)}{n^2} - 4\pi \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(nt)}{n}.$$

(b) - The averaged value of our function at t = 0 is  $\frac{4\pi^2 + 0}{2} = 2\pi^2$ . So,

$$2\pi^{2} = \frac{4\pi^{2}}{3} + 4\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{2}}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{\pi^{2}}{6} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{2}}.$$

At  $t = \pi$  we get:

$$\pi^{2} = \frac{4\pi^{2}}{3} + 4\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n}}{n^{2}}$$
$$\Rightarrow -\frac{\pi^{2}}{3} = 4\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n}}{n^{2}}$$
$$\Rightarrow -\frac{\pi^{2}}{12} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n}}{n^{2}}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{\pi^{2}}{12} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n^{2}}.$$

- 9.2.17 -
  - (a) Supose that f is a funciton of period 2 with f(t) = t for 0 < t < 2. Show that

$$f(t) = 1 - \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin n\pi t}{n}$$

and sketch the graph of f, indicating the value at each discontinuity.

(b) - Substitute an appropriate value of *t* to deduce *Leibniz's series* 

$$1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \dots = \frac{\pi}{4}.$$

Solution - Sketch of the graph:



So, the Fourier series for f(t) is:

$$\frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos(nt) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin(nt) \\ = 1 - \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(n\pi t)}{n}.$$

**(b)** - If we plug in  $t = \frac{1}{2}$  we get:

$$\frac{1}{2} = 1 - \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right)}{n}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right)}{n} = \frac{1}{2}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right)}{n} = 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \cdots.$$

**9.2.20** - Derive the Fourier series given below, and graph the period  $2\pi$  function to which the series converges.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos nt}{n^2} = \frac{3t^2 - 6\pi t + 2\pi^2}{12} \qquad (0 < t < 2\pi)$$

*Solution* - If we take the even extension of  $f(t) = \frac{3t^2 - 6\pi t + 2\pi^2}{12}$  we must have  $b_n = 0$  for all n, and

$$a_{0} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{0}^{2\pi} \left( \frac{3t^{2} - 6\pi t + 2\pi^{2}}{12} \right) dt = \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \frac{t^{3} - 3\pi t^{2} + 2\pi^{2} t}{12} \right) \Big|_{0}^{2\pi}$$
$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \frac{8\pi^{2} - 12\pi^{2} + 4\pi^{2}}{12} \right) = 0.$$

As for the  $a_n$  terms, these are (after a nasty integral, which you can do using Mathematica)

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left( \frac{3t^2 - 6\pi t + 2\pi^2}{12} \right) \cos(nt) dt = \frac{1}{n^2}$$

So, the Fourier series for the even extension is:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos\left(nt\right)}{n^2}$$

Graph:



#### **Section 9.3 - Fourier Sine and Cosine Series**

**9.3.1** - For the given function f(t) defined on the given interval find the Fourier cosine and sine series of f and sketch the graphs of the two extensions of f to which these two series converge.

$$f(t) = 1, \qquad \qquad 0 < t < \pi.$$



Cosine series:

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} dt = 2,$$

 $a_n = 0.$  (See problem 9.1.11)

So, the cosine series is:

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

Wow!

Odd extension:





$$\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \sin(nt) dt = -\frac{2}{n\pi} \cos(nt) \Big|_0^\pi$$
$$= \begin{cases} \frac{4}{n\pi} & n \text{ odd} \\ 0 & n \text{ even} \end{cases}$$

So, the sine series is:

$$\frac{4}{\pi} \left( \sin(t) + \frac{1}{3}\sin(3t) + \frac{1}{5}\sin(5t) + \cdots \right).$$

**9.3.5** - For the given function f(t) defined on the given interval find the Fourier cosine and sine series of f and sketch the graphs of the two extensions of f to which these two series converge.

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & 0 < t < 1\\ 1 & 1 < t < 2\\ 0 & 2 < t < 3 \end{cases}$$



The cosine series will have the coefficients:

$$a_{0} = \frac{2}{3} \int_{0}^{3} f(t) dt = \frac{2}{3} \int_{1}^{2} dt = \frac{2}{3}.$$

$$a_{n} = \frac{2}{3} \int_{0}^{3} f(t) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi t}{3}\right) dt = \frac{2}{3} \int_{1}^{2} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi t}{3}\right)$$

$$= \frac{2}{n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi t}{3}\right) \Big|_{1}^{2} = \frac{2}{n\pi} \left(\sin\left(\frac{2n\pi}{3}\right) - \sin\left(\frac{2n\pi}{3}\right)\right)$$

$$= \begin{cases} 0 & n = 6k, 6k + 1, 6k + 3, 6k + 5\\ -\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{n\pi} & n = 6k + 2\\ \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{n\pi} & n = 6k + 4 \end{cases}$$

So, the cosine series is:

$$\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{\pi} \left( \frac{1}{2} \cos\left(\frac{2\pi t}{3}\right) - \frac{1}{4} \cos\left(\frac{4\pi t}{3}\right) + \frac{1}{8} \cos\left(\frac{8\pi t}{3}\right) - \cdots \right).$$

The odd extension is:



The sine series will have coefficients

$$b_n = \frac{2}{3} \int_0^3 f(t) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi t}{3}\right) dt = \frac{2}{3} \int_1^2 \sin\left(\frac{n\pi t}{3}\right) dt$$
$$= -\frac{2}{n\pi} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi t}{3}\right) \Big|_1^2 = -\frac{2}{n\pi} \left(\cos\left(\frac{2n\pi}{3}\right) - \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{3}\right)\right)$$
$$= \begin{cases} 0 & n = 6k, 6k + 2, 6k + 4\\ \frac{2}{n\pi} & n = 6k + 1, 6k + 5\\ -\frac{4}{n\pi} & n = 6k + 3 \end{cases}$$

The sine series is:

$$\frac{2}{\pi}\left(\sin\left(\frac{\pi t}{3}\right) - \frac{2}{3}\sin\left(\frac{3\pi t}{3}\right) + \frac{1}{5}\sin\left(\frac{5\pi t}{3}\right) + \cdots\right).$$

**9.3.8** - For the given function f(t) defined on the given interval find the Fourier cosine and sine series of f and sketch the graphs of the two extensions of f to which these two series converge.

$$f(t) = t - t^2$$
,  $0 < t < 1$ 



The cosine series has the coefficients:

$$a_0 = 2 \int_0^1 (t - t^2) dt = 2 \left(\frac{t^2}{2} - \frac{t^3}{3}\right) \Big|_0^1 = \frac{1}{3}.$$
$$a_n = 2 \int_0^1 (t - t^2) \cos(n\pi t) dt = \begin{cases} -\frac{4}{n^2 \pi^2} & n \text{ even} \\ 0 & n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

The integral above can be evaluated with a good graphing calculator, a computer, Wolfram alpha, integrals.com, or by hand with a couple integrations by parts. I just cut to the chase. The corresponding Fourier cosine series will be:

$$\frac{1}{6} - \frac{4}{\pi^2} \left( \frac{\cos(2\pi t)}{4} + \frac{\cos(4\pi t)}{16} + \cdots \right).$$

The odd extension is:



The sine series has the coefficients:

$$b_n = 2 \int_0^1 (t - t^2) \sin(n\pi t) dt = \begin{cases} \frac{8}{n^3 \pi^3} & n \ odd \\ 0 & n \ even \end{cases}$$

The corresponding Fourier sine series will be:

$$\frac{8}{\pi^3} \left( \sin(\pi t) + \frac{\sin(3\pi t)}{27} + \frac{\sin(5\pi t)}{125} + \cdots \right).$$

The odd extension is:

The sine series has the coefficients:

$$b_n = 2 \int_0^1 (t - t^2) \sin(n\pi t) dt = \begin{cases} \frac{8}{n^3 \pi^3} & n \text{ odd} \\ 0 & n \text{ even} \end{cases}$$

The corresponding Fourier sine series will be:

$$\frac{8}{\pi^3} \left( \sin(\pi t) + \frac{\sin(3\pi t)}{27} + \frac{\sin(5\pi t)}{125} + \cdots \right).$$

**9.3.13** - Find a formal Fourier series solution to the endpoint value problem

$$x'' + x = t x(0) = x(1) = 0.$$

*Solution* - We note that  $sin(n\pi t)$  has value 0 at t = 0 and t = 1 for all n, so we'll want to use the sine series.

$$x(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \sin(n\pi t)$$
$$x''(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n (-n^2 \pi^2) \sin(n\pi t).$$

The Fourier coefficients for the sine series of t are:

$$b_n = 2 \int_0^1 t \sin(n\pi t) dt = 2 \left( -\frac{t \cos(n\pi t)}{n\pi} + \frac{\sin(n\pi t)}{n^2 \pi^2} \right) \Big|_0^1 = \frac{2(-1)^{n+1}}{n\pi}.$$

Plugging these into our differential equation we get:

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

So,

$$x(t) = \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \sin(n\pi t)}{n(n^2 \pi^2 - 1)}.$$

**9.3.20** - Substitute  $t = \pi/2$  and  $t = \pi$  in the series

$$\frac{1}{24}t^4 = \frac{\pi^2 t^2}{12} - 2\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^4} \cos nt + 2\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^4}, \quad -\pi < t < \pi,$$

to obtain the summations

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4} = \frac{\pi^4}{90},$$
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n^4} = \frac{7\pi^4}{720},$$
and

$$1 + \frac{1}{3^4} + \frac{1}{5^4} + \frac{1}{7^4} + \dots = \frac{\pi^4}{96}.$$

For  $t = \frac{\pi}{2}$  we get:

$$\frac{1}{24}\left(\frac{\pi^4}{16}\right) = \frac{\pi^2}{12}\left(\frac{\pi^2}{4}\right) - 2\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}\frac{(-1)^n}{n^4}\cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right) + 2\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}\frac{(-1)^n}{n^4}.$$

Now,

$$\cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right) = \begin{cases} 1 & n = 4k \\ -1 & n = 4k+2 \\ 0 & n = 4k+1, 4k+3 \end{cases}$$

So,