

## ★ Sec 9.2: General Fourier Series and Convergence

Warm up: From last class

Def: If the function  $f(t)$  is

- 1) piecewise continuous and
- 2) periodic with  $P = 2\pi$

then the Fourier series of  $f(t)$  is

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

Write down the definitions of  $a_0, a_n,$  and  $b_n$ .

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

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t) \cos(nt) dt$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t) \sin(nt) dt$$

### I. General Fourier Series:

Q: What if  $f(t)$  is periodic but  $P \neq 2\pi$ ?

A: We can adjust our definition to work for any periodic fn.

Assume  $f(t)$  has period  $P = 2L$

Here  $L$  is called the half-period

★ Def: the Fourier series of a  $2L$ -periodic function

$f(t)$  is:

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

### Announcements:

HW + A2 due Today @ 11:59pm

Midterm 1 Thurs July 1<sup>st</sup>

Review Lecture tomorrow

Office Hours Today @ 2:30-3:30pm

Lecture Friday will be a recorded video - no in class lecture

→ uploaded to BS

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

where the Fourier Coefficients are

$$a_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(t) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi t}{L}\right) dt, \quad a_0 = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(t) dt$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(t) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi t}{L}\right) dt$$

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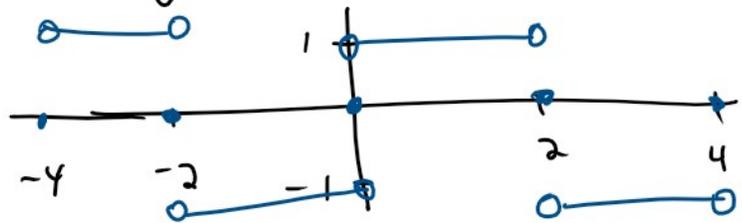
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NOTE: From now on, let's use this definition, works in all cases

previous definition only works if  $p=2\pi$

Ex: Find the F.S. of the square wave with  $p=4$

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



If  $p=4$   $L=2$

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

1. Calculate  $a_0$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(t) dt = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-2}^2 f(t) dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \int_{-2}^0 (-1) dt + \int_0^2 (+1) dt \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \left[ -t \right]_{-2}^0 + \left[ t \right]_0^2 \right] = \frac{1}{2} \left[ 0 - (-2) + 2 - 0 \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left( \left[ -t \right]_{-2}^0 + \left[ t \right]_0^2 \right) = \frac{1}{2} (0 - (-2) + 2 - 0)$$

$$\boxed{a_0 = 0}$$

2. Calculate  $a_n$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(t) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi t}{L}\right) dt = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-2}^2 f(t) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi t}{2}\right) dt$$

... do this calculation

$$\boxed{a_n = 0}$$

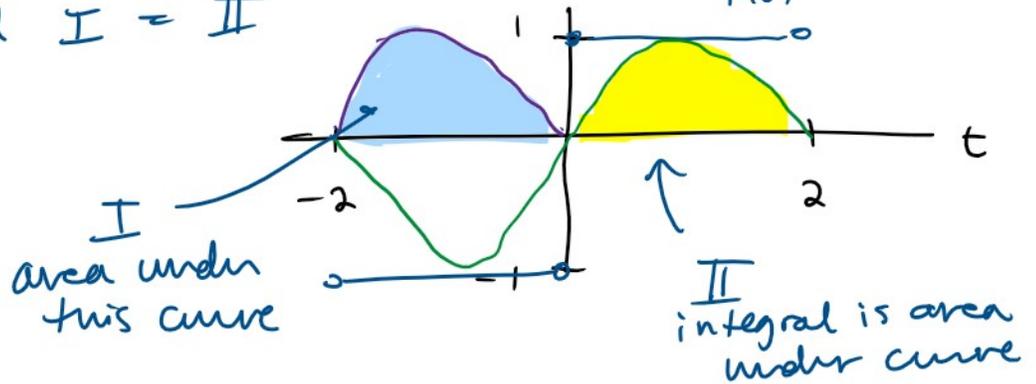
3. Calculate  $b_n$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-2}^2 f(t) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi t}{2}\right) dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \int_{-2}^0 (-1) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi t}{2}\right) dt + \int_0^2 (+1) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi t}{2}\right) dt \right]$$

claim:

integral I = II



can also show this by making  
u-substitution  $u = -t$  in  
integral I.

By symmetry:

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ 2 \int_0^2 (+1) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi t}{2}\right) dt \right]$$

$$= \left[ -\cos\left(\frac{n\pi t}{2}\right) \right]_0^2 = \frac{-2}{n\pi} \left[ \cos\left(\frac{2n\pi}{2}\right) - \cos(0) \right]$$

$$= \left[ \frac{-\cos\left(\frac{n\pi t}{2}\right)}{\frac{n\pi}{2}} \right]_0^2 = \frac{-2}{n\pi} \left[ \cos\left(\frac{2n\pi}{2}\right) - \cos(0) \right]$$

$$= \frac{-2}{n\pi} \left[ (-1)^n - 1 \right] = \begin{cases} \frac{-4}{n\pi} & n \text{ odd} \\ 0 & n \text{ even} \end{cases} = b_n$$

The Fourier Series is:

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

$$f(t) \sim \sum_{n \text{ odd}} \frac{-4}{n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi t}{2}\right)$$

Q:  $f(t)$  square wave  $P=2\pi$

$F(t)$  square wave  $P=4$

$$2\pi \xrightarrow{g} 4$$

$$g(2\pi) \rightarrow 4$$

$$g(t) = \frac{4t}{2\pi} = \frac{2t}{\pi}$$

(optional)

$$f_{2\pi}(t) = f_{2\pi}(g(t)) = f_4(t)$$

## II. Convergence:

Last class — sometimes there are points  $t$  for which the F.S. does NOT converge

Why? ... does the Fourier Series Converge?

Q! When does the Fourier Series Converge?

Thm: (Converge of Fourier Series)

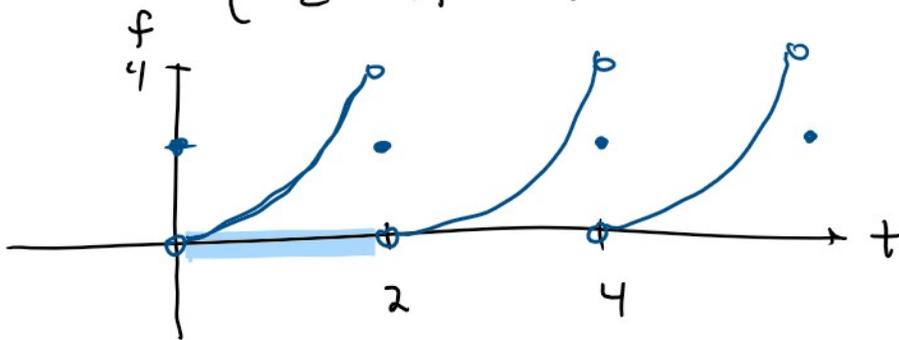
If  $f(t)$  is a periodic function that is piecewise smooth, then its Fourier series converges to:

(a) the value  $f(t)$  at each point where  $f$  is continuous

(b) the value  $\frac{1}{2} [f(t^+) + f(t^-)]$  at each point  $t$  where  $f$  is discontinuous

Ex: Let  $f(t)$  have  $P=2$  be defined by

$$f(t) = \left. \begin{array}{l} t^2 \text{ if } 0 < t < 2 \\ 2 \text{ if } t = 0, 2 \end{array} \right\}$$



When  $0 < t < 2$ ,  $f(t)$  is continuous

by Thm part (a), the F.S. will converge to  $f(t)$

F.S.  $\xrightarrow{\text{on } 0 < t < 2}$   $f(t)$

When  $t = 0, 2, 4, \dots$ ,  $f(t)$  is discontinuous

by Thm part (b)

$\xrightarrow{\text{F.S.}}$   $\frac{1}{2} [f(t^-) + f(t^+)]$

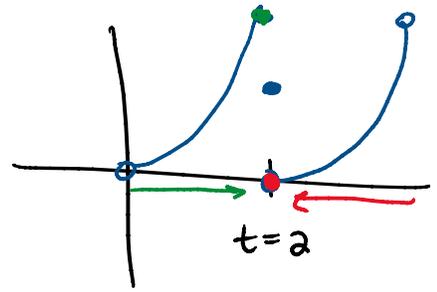
by 1hm part 1b)

$$\text{F.S.} \longrightarrow \frac{1}{2} [f(t^-) + f(t^+)]$$

@  $t=2$

$$f(t^-) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} f(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} t^2 = 4$$

$$f(t^+) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^+} f(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} t^2 = 0$$



$$\text{F.S.} (@ t=2) \longrightarrow \frac{1}{2} [f(t^-) + f(t^+)] = \frac{1}{2} [4 + 0] = 2$$

We defined the function  $f(t)$  so that

$$@ t=2 \quad f(t) = \frac{1}{2} [f(t^+) + f(t^-)]$$

so now, in this case, the F.S. converges for all  $t$

Now, let's find the F.S. of  $f(t)$

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} t^2 & 0 < t < 2 \\ 2 & t = 0, 2 \end{cases} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} P=2 \\ L=1 \end{array} \right.$$

Fourier series

By this Thm, we know that the F.S. converges for all  $t$

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

1. Calculate  $a_0$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(t) dt = \int_{-1}^1 f(t) dt = \int_0^2 f(t) dt$$

because  $f(t)$  is periodic w/  $P=2$

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because  $f(t)$  is periodic w/  $P=2$   
we can use any interval with length  $P$

$$= \int_0^2 t^2 dt = \left[ \frac{t^3}{3} \right]_0^2 = \frac{8}{3} - 0 = \boxed{\frac{8}{3} = a_0}$$

2. Calculate the  $a_n$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{1} \int_0^2 f(t) \cos(n\pi t) dt = \int_0^2 t^2 \cos(n\pi t) dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{(n\pi)^3} \int_0^{2n\pi} u^2 \cos(u) du$$

u substitution  
 $u = n\pi t$   
 $dt = \frac{du}{n\pi}$

$$t = \frac{u}{n\pi}$$
$$t^2 = \frac{u^2}{(n\pi)^2}$$

use IBP or use formula

$$\int u^n \cos(u) du = u^n \sin(u) - n \int u \sin(u) du$$

$$n=2 \quad \int u^2 \cos(u) du = u^2 \sin(u) - 2 \int u \sin(u) du$$

$$= \frac{1}{(n\pi)^3} \left[ \left( u^2 \sin(u) \right)_0^{2n\pi} - 2 \int_0^{2n\pi} u \sin(u) du \right]$$

use another formula here

$$\int u \sin(u) du = \sin(u) - u \cos(u) + C$$

$$= \frac{1}{(n\pi)^3} \left[ u^2 \sin(u) + 2 \left( -\sin(u) + u \cos(u) \right) \right]_0^{2n\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(n\pi)^3} \left[ \begin{aligned} & (2n\pi)^2 \sin(2n\pi) - 2 \sin(2n\pi) + 2(2n\pi) \cos(2n\pi) \\ & - 0^2 \sin(0) + 2 \sin(0) - 2 \cdot 0 \cdot \cos(0) \end{aligned} \right]$$

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$$= \frac{1}{(n\pi)^2} \left( -0^2 \cancel{\sin(0)} + 2 \cancel{\sin(0)} - 2 \cdot 0 \cdot \cancel{\cos(0)} \right) = \boxed{\frac{4}{n^2 \pi^2} = a_n}$$

3. Calculate the  $b_n$

$$b_n = \int_0^2 t^2 \sin(n\pi t) dt$$

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$$\boxed{b_n = \frac{-4}{n\pi}}$$

(calculation is similar  
→ put in notes)

So we have:

$$a_0 = \frac{8}{3}$$

$$a_n = \frac{4}{n^2 \pi^2}$$

$$b_n = \frac{-4}{n\pi}$$

Putting it all together

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

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

Ex: Drawing conclusions from the F.S.

let  $t=0$

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

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

$$2 = 3 \cdot 2 - \frac{4}{3} = \frac{4}{-2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$$

$$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{3 \cdot 2}{3} - \frac{4}{3} = \frac{4}{\pi^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \dots$$

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

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

This series was discovered by Euler