

## Lesson 26

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Fourier series for  $2\pi$ -periodic fcts.

If  $f$   $2\pi$ -periodic

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

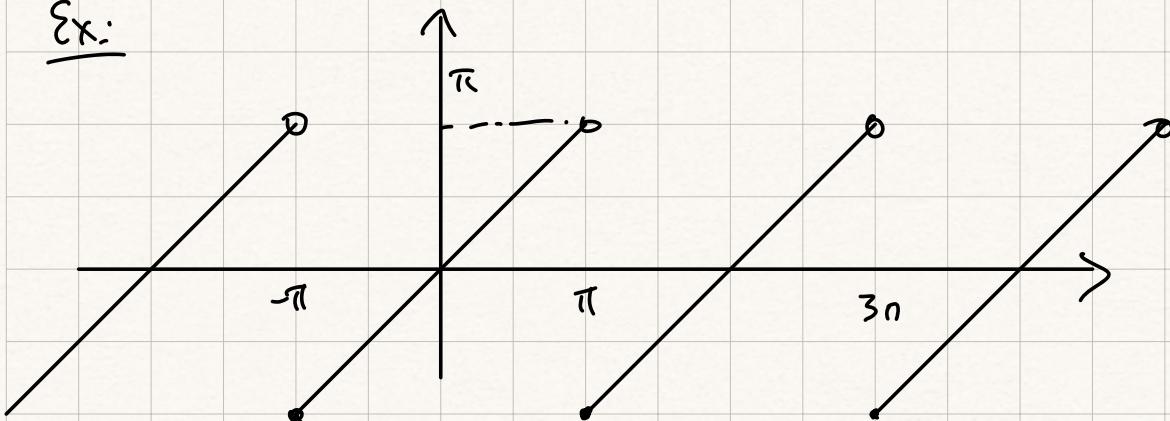
$\frac{2\pi}{n}$ -periodic

$\Rightarrow$  also  $2\pi$  periodic

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

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

Ex:



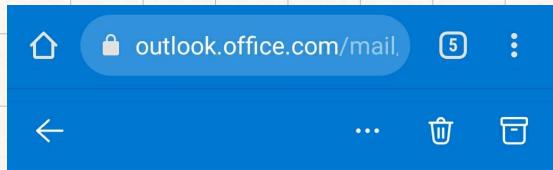
Found:

$$a_0 = 0, \quad a_n = 0$$

$$b_n = -\frac{2}{n} \underbrace{\cos(n\pi)}_{(-1)^n} = -\frac{2}{n} (-1)^n = \frac{2}{n} (-1)^{n+1}$$

Fourier series:

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



found a meme that perfectly describes how my calculations are going



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when you integrate by parts but the resulting integral has to be done by parts again.



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3.2 More generally: find Fourier Series expansions for functions which are periodic w/ period  $P = 2L$

$L$ : half period

Ex:

$\sin(\pi t)$  periodic w/ period  $P = 2$

$L = L$

Want: F.S. for a  $P$ -periodic fct  $f(t)$ .  
 Know F.S. for  $2\pi$ -periodic functions

Consider:  $g(u) := f\left(\frac{L}{\pi}u\right)$

Claim:  $g$   $2\pi$ -periodic

$$\begin{aligned} g(u + 2\pi) &= f\left(\frac{L}{\pi}(u + 2\pi)\right) = f\left(\frac{L}{\pi}u + \frac{2L}{\pi}\right) \\ &= f\left(\frac{L}{\pi}u + P\right) \underset{f \text{ } P\text{-periodic}}{\underset{|}{=}} f\left(\frac{L}{\pi}u\right) = g(u) \end{aligned}$$

Know how to write F.S. for  $g$ :

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

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} g(u) du \quad a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} g(u) \cos(nu) du$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} g(u) \sin(nu) du.$$

Set  $t = \frac{L}{\pi}u \Rightarrow f(t) = g\left(\frac{\pi t}{L}\right)$

$$u = \frac{\pi t}{L}$$

So:

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

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} g(u) du = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f\left(\frac{Lu}{\pi}\right) du$$

$$u = \frac{\pi t}{L}$$

$$du = \frac{\pi}{L} dt$$

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

So:

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

From (I) & (II) deduce:

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

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

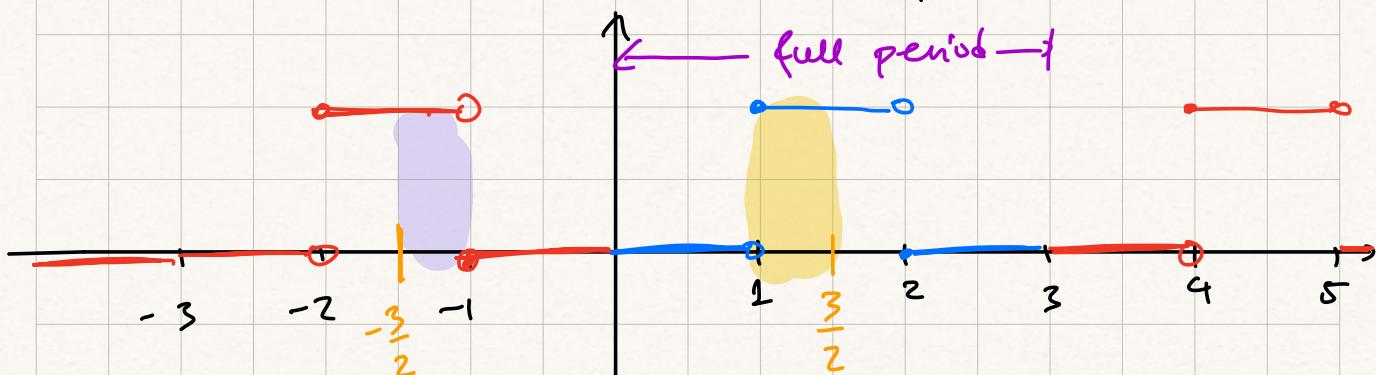
So: boxed expressions : E, S. for P=2L -

periodic fct.

Note: if  $P = 2\pi \Rightarrow L = \pi$  we find the formulas in the beginning of class.

$$\text{Ex: } f(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & 1 \leq t < 2 \\ 0 & 0 \leq t < 1, \quad 2 \leq t < 3 \end{cases}$$

Periodic w/ period 3 :  $f(t+3) = f(t)$



$$\text{Period: } P = 3 \Rightarrow L = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$f \sim \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( a_n \cos\left(n \frac{2\pi}{3} t\right) + b_n \sin\left(n \frac{2\pi}{3} t\right) \right)$$

Find:  $a_0, a_n, b_n$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(t) dt = \frac{2}{3} \int_{-\frac{3}{2}}^{\frac{3}{2}} f(t) dt$$

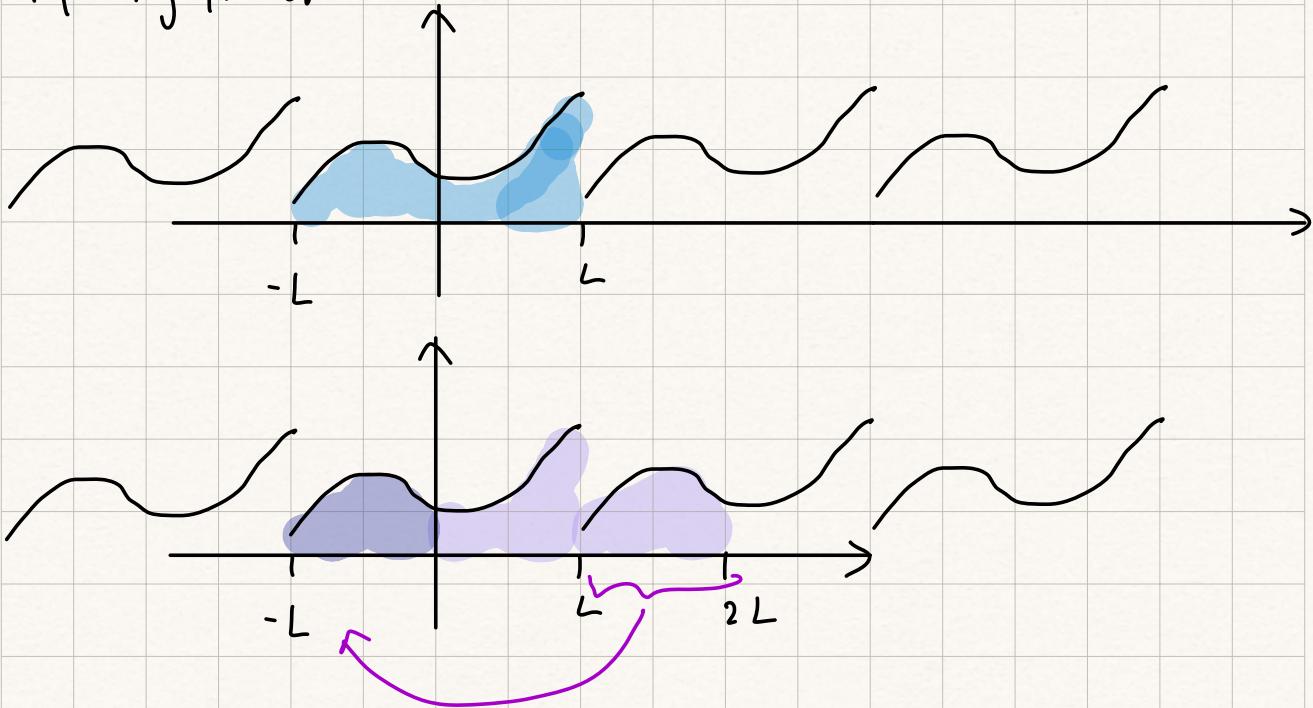
$$= \frac{2}{3} \left( \int_{-\frac{3}{2}}^{-1} 1 dt + \int_1^{\frac{3}{2}} 1 dt \right) \dots$$

Nicer way:

For a  $2L$ -periodic function

$$\int_{-L}^L f dt = \int_0^{2L} f dt = \int_a^{a+2L} f dt$$

"PF by picture"



In our case: easier

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^{2L} f(t) dt = \frac{2}{3} \int_0^3 f(t) dt$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \int_1^2 L dt = \frac{2}{3}$$

Similarly:

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= \frac{1}{L} \int_0^{2L} f(t) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{L} t\right) dt \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \int_0^3 f(t) \cos\left(\frac{2n\pi}{3} t\right) dt \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \int_1^2 1 \cdot \cos\left(\frac{2n\pi}{3} t\right) dt \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \frac{3}{2\pi n} \sin\left(\frac{2n\pi}{3} t\right) \Big|_1^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi n} \left( \sin\left(\frac{4\pi}{3} n\right) - \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{3} n\right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi n} \left( \cos\left(\frac{2}{3} \pi n\right) - \cos\left(\frac{4}{3} \pi n\right) \right)$$

Next time: simplify  $a_n, b_n$  (actually:  $b_n = 0$ )