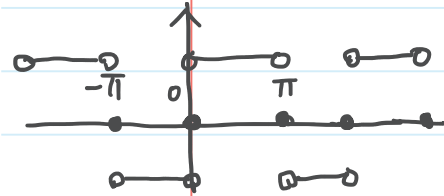


Fourier series: An example

$$f(x) = \operatorname{sgn} x = \begin{cases} -1 & -\pi < x < 0 \\ 0 & x = 0, \pi, -\pi \\ 1 & 0 < x < \pi \end{cases} \quad \text{period } 2\pi \quad [-\pi \sim \pi]$$



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

$$\text{Check at } x = \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{4}{\pi} \left(1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \dots \right) = \frac{4}{\pi} \cdot \frac{\pi}{4} = 1!$$

A thought about the coefficient:

similar to before, we can try to guess the coefficients.

Suppose the fun $f(x)$ can be written as a linear combination

$$\text{of } \cos kx \text{ and } \sin kx, \text{ i.e. } f(x) = \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \cos kx + b_k \sin kx \right) + \frac{a_0}{2}$$

What should a_n be?

multiply by $\cos nx$ on both side and take integration:

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx \, dx = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1}{2} a_0 \cos nx \, dx + \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \cos kx \cos nx \, dx + \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sum_k b_k \sin kx \cos nx \, dx$$

assume the infinite sum

conv. so the integration becomes $\sum_k \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} a_k \cos kx \cos nx \, dx$

$$\text{LHS} \Rightarrow \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} a_k \cos kx \cos nx \, dx \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_k \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} b_k \sin kx \cos nx \, dx$$

$$= \frac{a_k}{2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos(k+n)x + \cos(k-n)x \, dx$$

$$= \left\{ \frac{a_k}{2} \left[\frac{+1}{k+n} \sin(k+n)x \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} + \frac{+1}{k-n} \sin(k-n)x \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} \right] \right. \quad \forall k \neq n$$

$$\left. \left[\frac{a_k}{2} \left[\frac{+1}{k+n} \sin(k+n)x \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} + x \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} \right] \right] \quad \text{when } k = n$$

$$\text{b/c } \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos(n-n)x \, dx = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos 0 \, dx = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} 1 \, dx = x \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi}$$

Note: here we are only talking about what the coefficient should be like, we didn't say it conv, nor it conv. to f(x)!!

$$\begin{aligned} \text{and } \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} b_k \sin kx \cos nx \, dx &= \frac{b_k}{2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin(k+n)x + \sin(k-n)x \, dx \\ &= \begin{cases} -\frac{b_k}{2} \left[\frac{1}{k+n} \cos(k+n)x \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} + \frac{1}{k-n} \cos(k-n)x \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} \right] & \text{if } k \neq n \\ -\frac{b_k}{2} \left[\frac{1}{k+n} \cos(k+n)x \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} + 0 \right] & \text{if } k = n \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{b/c } \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin(n-n)x \, dx = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin 0 \, dx = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} 0 \, dx = 0$$

$$\text{also } \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{a_0}{2} \cos nx \, dx = \frac{-a_0}{2n} \sin nx \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} = 0$$

$$\text{and } \sin(k+n)x \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} = 0 - 0, \quad \sin(k-n)x \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} = 0 - 0$$

$$\cos(k+n)x \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} = * - * = 0, \quad \cos(k-n)x \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} = * - * = 0$$

Thus, we have

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx \, dx = 0 + 0 + \frac{a_n}{2} \cdot 2\pi + 0 + 0$$

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

similarly, we will have

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx \, dx = 0 + 0 + 0 + \frac{b_n}{2} \cdot 2\pi + 0$$

$$\begin{cases} 2 \cos kx \sin nx = \sin(k+n)x - \sin(k-n)x \\ 2 \sin kx \sin nx = \cos(k-n)x - \cos(k+n)x \end{cases}$$

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

$$\text{What about } a_0? \quad \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} a_k \cos kx \, dx = \frac{+a_k}{k} \sin kx \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} = 0$$

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} b_k \sin kx \, dx = 0 \quad \therefore \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \, dx = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{a_0}{2} \, dx = a_0 \cdot \pi$$

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} b_k \sin kx dx = 0 \quad \therefore \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{a_0}{2} dx = a_0 \cdot \pi$$