

1. For each of the following statements, write the word “true” or “false.”

- (a) Let $f(x)$ be an odd function and $g(x)$ be an even function. Then $f(x)g(x)$ is an odd function.
True.
- (b) Let $f(x)$ be an odd function and $g(x)$ be an even function. Then $f(x) + g(x)$ is an odd function.
False. For a counterexample, let $f(x) = x$ and $g(x) = 1$.

2. Find the Fourier series for the function $f(x)$ defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -x^2 + \pi^2 & \text{if } -\pi \leq x \leq 0 \\ x^2 - \pi^2 & \text{if } 0 < x < \pi \end{cases}$$

and $f(x + 2\pi) = f(x)$ for any x .

The function $f(x)$ is odd, so each $a_m = 0$. We only need to compute the coefficients b_m , and

$$b_m = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin(mx) \, dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} (x^2 - \pi^2) \sin(mx) \, dx.$$

Using integration by parts twice, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int (x^2 - \pi^2) \sin(mx) \, dx &= -\frac{(x^2 - \pi^2) \cos(mx)}{m} + \frac{2}{m} \int x \cos(mx) \, dx \\ &= -\frac{(x^2 - \pi^2) \cos(mx)}{m} + \frac{2x \sin(mx)}{m^2} - \frac{2}{m^2} \int \sin(mx) \, dx \\ &= -\frac{(x^2 - \pi^2) \cos(mx)}{m} + \frac{2x \sin(mx)}{m^2} + \frac{2 \cos(mx)}{m^3} + C. \end{aligned}$$

Then we have that

$$\begin{aligned} b_m &= \frac{2}{\pi} \left(-\frac{(x^2 - \pi^2) \cos(mx)}{m} + \frac{2x \sin(mx)}{m^2} + \frac{2 \cos(mx)}{m^3} \right) \Big|_{x=0}^{\pi} \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \left(\frac{2 \cos(m\pi)}{m^3} - \frac{\pi^2}{m} - \frac{2}{m^3} \right) \\ &= \frac{2}{m^3 \pi} (2(-1)^m - m^2 \pi^2 - 2). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the Fourier series for $f(x)$ is

$$f(x) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{m^3 \pi} (2(-1)^m - 2 - m^2 \pi^2) \sin(mx).$$

This expression can be simplified (or made more complex, depending on how you look at it) by splitting the sum up into odd and even terms:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} b_{2m-1} \sin((2m-1)x) + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} b_{2m} \sin(2mx) \\ &= -\frac{2}{\pi} \left[\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{4 + (2m-1)^3 \pi}{(2m-1)^3} \sin((2m-1)x) + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{\pi^2}{m} \sin(2mx) \right]. \end{aligned}$$