



SNS COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY

(An Autonomous Institution)

Coimbatore – 35

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

UNIT-I FOURIER SERIES

FOURIER SERIES:

A periodic function $f(x)$ which satisfies certain condition can be expressed as cosine and sine series of the form,

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

is called Fourier series of $f(x)$ and $a_0, a_n, b_n (n=1, 2, \dots)$ are called Fourier co-efficients of $f(x)$.

Obtain the Fourier series expansion for the function $f(x) = x^2$ with period 2π , in the interval $0 < x < 2\pi$

Soln:

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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } a_0 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} x^2 dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[\frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^{2\pi} = \frac{1}{3\pi} \times 8\pi^3 = \frac{8\pi^2}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore a_0 = \frac{8\pi^2}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \cos nx dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} x^2 \cos nx dx \end{aligned}$$



DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

UNIT-I FOURIER SERIES

$$\begin{aligned} u &= x^2 & v &= \cos nx \\ u' &= 2x & v_1 &= -\sin nx/n \\ u'' &= 2 & v_2 &= -\cos nx/n^2 \\ u''' &= 0 & v_3 &= \sin nx/n^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[n^2 \frac{\sin nx}{n} - 2n \left(-\frac{\cos nx}{n^2} \right) + 2 \left(-\frac{\sin nx}{n^3} \right) \right]_0^{2\pi} \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[2n \frac{\cos nx}{n^2} \right]_0^{2\pi} \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi n^2} [2\pi \cos(2\pi) - 0] \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi n^2} \cdot 2\pi = \frac{4}{n^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} b_n &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \sin nx dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} x^2 \sin nx dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} u &= x^2 & v &= \sin nx \\ u' &= 2x & v_1 &= -\cos nx/n \\ u'' &= 2 & v_2 &= -\sin nx/n^2 \\ u''' &= 0 & v_3 &= \cos nx/n^3 \end{aligned}$$



DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

UNIT-I FOURIER SERIES

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[n^2 \left(-\frac{\cos nn}{n} \right) - 2n \left(-\frac{\sin nn}{n^2} \right) + 2 \left(\frac{\cos nn}{n^3} \right) \right]_0^{2\pi} \\
 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[-\frac{n^2 \cos nn}{n} + \frac{2 \sin nn}{n^2} \right]_0^{2\pi} \\
 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[-4\pi^2 \frac{\cos n(2\pi)}{n} + 2 \frac{\sin n(2\pi)}{n^3} - \left(0 + 2 \frac{\cos n(0)}{n^3} \right) \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[-\frac{4\pi^2}{n} + \frac{2}{n^3} - \frac{2}{n^3} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

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

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

Obtain the Fourier series for $f(x) = (\frac{\pi-x}{2})^2$ in $(0, 2\pi)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_0 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{(\pi-x)^2}{4} dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{(\pi-x)^2}{4} dx \\
 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \left[\frac{(\pi-x)^3}{4} (-1) \right]_0^{2\pi} = \frac{-1}{\pi} \cdot \frac{(-\pi)^3 - \pi^3}{6 \cdot 2} = \frac{\pi^2 - \frac{2\pi^3}{3}}{6\pi}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{(\pi-x)^2}{4} \cos nx dx$$

$$a_0 = \frac{\pi^2}{6}$$



DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

UNIT-I FOURIER SERIES

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[(\pi - x)^2 \frac{\sin nx}{n} + 2(\pi - x) \left(\frac{\cos nx}{n^2} \right) + 2(-1) \right] \quad (10)$$

$$\left(-\frac{\sin nx}{n^3} \right) \int_0^{2\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[\pi^2 \frac{\sin n(2\pi)}{n} + 2(-\pi) \left(-\frac{\cos n(2\pi)}{n^2} \right) + 2 \frac{\sin n(2\pi)}{n^3} \right. \\ \left. - \left[2(\pi) \left(-\frac{\cos n(0)}{n^2} \right) \right] \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[2\pi \frac{\sin n(2\pi)}{n^2} + 2 \frac{\pi}{n^2} \right] = \frac{1}{n^2}$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} (\pi - x)^2 \sin nx dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[(\pi - x) \left(\frac{\cos nx}{n} \right) - 2(\pi - x)(-1) \left(-\frac{\sin nx}{n^2} \right) + 2(-1) \left(+\frac{\cos nx}{n^3} \right) \right] \int_0^{2\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[-\pi^2 \frac{\cos n(2\pi)}{n} - 2(-\pi) \frac{\sin n(2\pi)}{n^2} - 2 \frac{\cos n(2\pi)}{n^3} \right. \\ \left. - \left[-\pi^2 \frac{\cos n(0)}{n} - 2 \frac{\cos n(0)}{n^3} \right] \right]$$



SNS COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY

(An Autonomous Institution)

Coimbatore – 35

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

UNIT-I FOURIER SERIES

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[-\frac{\pi^2}{n} - \frac{2}{n^3} + \frac{\pi^2}{n} + \frac{2}{n^3} \right] = 0$$

$$f(x) = \frac{\pi^2}{12} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \cos nx$$

$$= \frac{\pi^2}{12} + \left[\frac{\cos x}{1} + \frac{\cos 2x}{2^2} + \dots \right]$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{l} \int_0^{2l} (l-x)^2 \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{l}x\right) dx$$

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