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4. Let f be the function defined by $f(x) = x^3 - 4x$.
 f is defined everywhere. Moreover we have for all x

$$f(-x) = (-x)^3 - 4(-x) = -x^3 + 4x = -f(x).$$

Hence f is an odd function.

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6. Let f be the function defined by $f(x) = e^x - e^{-x}$.
 f is defined everywhere. Moreover we have for all x

$$f(-x) = e^{-x} - e^{-(-x)} = e^{-x} - e^x = -(e^x - e^{-x}) = -f(x).$$

Hence f is an odd function.

□

14. Let f be the function defined by $f(x) = x$ for $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$.

Clearly f is an odd function. Therefore the Fourier series of f on the interval $[-\pi, \pi]$ is the sine series given by

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{\pi}x\right)$$

or

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin(nx), \tag{1}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
b_n &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{\pi}x\right) dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi x \sin(nx) dx \\
&= \frac{2}{\pi} \left[-x \frac{1}{n} \cos(nx) \right]_0^\pi - \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi -\frac{1}{n} \cos(nx) dx \\
&= \frac{2}{\pi} \left[-\pi \frac{1}{n} \cos(n\pi) + 0 \right] + \frac{2}{n\pi} \int_0^\pi \cos(nx) dx \\
&= 2 \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} + \frac{2}{n\pi} \left[\frac{1}{n} \sin(nx) \right]_0^\pi \\
&= 2 \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} + \frac{2}{n^2\pi} (\sin(n\pi) - 0) \\
&= 2 \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n}.
\end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

Taking into account (1) and (2), it follows that the Fourier series of f on the interval $[-\pi, \pi]$ is given by

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2 \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \sin(nx).$$

□

16. Let f be the function defined by $f(x) = x|x|$ for $-1 \leq x \leq 1$.

Clearly f is an odd function. Therefore the Fourier series of f on the interval $[-1, 1]$ is the sine series given by

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{1}x\right)$$

or

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin(n\pi x), \tag{1}$$

where

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

Integration by parts twice, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\int x^2 \sin(n\pi x) dx &= -\frac{x^2}{n\pi} \cos(n\pi x) - \int -\frac{2x}{n\pi} \cos(n\pi x) dx \\
&= -\frac{x^2}{n\pi} \cos(n\pi x) + \frac{2}{n\pi} \int x \cos(n\pi x) dx \\
&= -\frac{x^2}{n\pi} \cos(n\pi x) + \frac{2}{n\pi} \left(\frac{x}{n\pi} \sin(n\pi x) - \int \frac{1}{n\pi} \sin(n\pi x) dx \right) \\
&= -\frac{x^2}{n\pi} \cos(n\pi x) + \frac{2x}{n^2\pi^2} \sin(n\pi x) - \frac{2}{n^2\pi^2} \int \sin(n\pi x) dx \\
&= -\frac{x^2}{n\pi} \cos(n\pi x) + \frac{2x}{n^2\pi^2} \sin(n\pi x) + \frac{2}{n^3\pi^3} \cos(n\pi x). \tag{3}
\end{aligned}$$

We deduce from (2) and (3) that

$$\begin{aligned}
b_n = 2 \int_0^1 x^2 \sin(n\pi x) dx &= -\frac{2}{n\pi} \cos(n\pi) + \frac{4}{n^3\pi^3} (\cos(n\pi) - 1) \\
&= \frac{2(-1)^{n+1}}{n\pi} + \frac{4}{\pi^3} \frac{(-1)^n - 1}{n^3}. \tag{4}
\end{aligned}$$

Taking into account (1) and (4), it follows that the Fourier sine series of f on the interval $[-1, 1]$ is given by

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2(-1)^{n+1}}{n\pi} + \frac{4}{\pi^3} \frac{(-1)^n - 1}{n^3} \right) \sin(n\pi x).$$

□

26. Let f be the function defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } 0 \leq x < \frac{1}{2} \\ 1, & \text{if } \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

We would like to find the half-range cosine and sine expansions of f on the interval $[0, 1]$.

i. The half-range cosine expansion of f on the interval $[0, 1]$ is the Fourier series of the even extension $\bar{f}$ of f to the interval $[-1, 1]$ defined by

$$\bar{f}(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } -1 \leq x \leq -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0, & \text{if } -\frac{1}{2} < x < \frac{1}{2} \\ 1, & \text{if } \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

So the half-range cosine expansion of f on the interval $[0, 1]$ is given by

$$\frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{1}x\right)$$

or

$$\frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos(n\pi x), \quad (1)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 &= \frac{2}{1} \int_0^1 f(x) dx = 2 \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^1 dx \\ &= 2[x]_{\frac{1}{2}}^1 = 1. \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

For a_n , we have

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= \frac{2}{1} \int_0^1 f(x) \cos(n\pi x) dx \\ &= 2 \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^1 \cos(n\pi x) dx \\ &= 2 \left[\frac{1}{n\pi} \sin(n\pi x) \right]_{\frac{1}{2}}^1 \\ &= \frac{2}{n\pi} (\sin(n\pi) - \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right)) \\ &= -\frac{2}{n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right). \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

Taking into account (1), (2) and (3), it follows that the half-range cosine expansion of f on the interval $[0, 1]$ is given by

$$\frac{1}{2} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right) \cos(n\pi x) = \frac{1}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{(2k+1)} \cos((2k+1)\pi x).$$

ii. The half-range sine expansion of f on the interval $[0, 1]$ is the Fourier series of the odd extension $\widehat{f}$ of f to the interval $[-1, 1]$ defined by

$$\widehat{f}(x) = \begin{cases} -1, & \text{if } -1 \leq x \leq -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0, & \text{if } -\frac{1}{2} < x < \frac{1}{2} \\ 1, & \text{if } \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

So the half-range sine expansion of f on the interval $[0, 1]$ is given by

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{1}x\right)$$

or

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin(n\pi x), \quad (4)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} b_n &= \frac{2}{1} \int_0^1 f(x) \sin(n\pi x) dx \\ &= 2 \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^1 \sin(n\pi x) dx \\ &= 2 \left[-\frac{1}{n\pi} \cos(n\pi x) \right]_{\frac{1}{2}}^1 \\ &= -\frac{2}{n\pi} (\cos(n\pi) - \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right)) \\ &= \frac{4}{n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{3n\pi}{4}\right), \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

where we have used the formula $\cos(a) - \cos(b) = -2 \sin\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{a-b}{2}\right)$.

Taking into account (4) and (5), it follows that the half-range sine expansion of f on

the interval $[0, 1]$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{3n\pi}{4}\right) \sin(n\pi x) \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{\pi} \frac{1}{2k+1} \sin\left(\frac{(2k+1)\pi}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{3(2k+1)\pi}{4}\right) \sin((2k+1)\pi x) \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{\pi} \frac{(-1)^k}{2k+1} \sin\left(\frac{3(2k+1)\pi}{4}\right) \sin((2k+1)\pi x) \\
&= \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{\pi} \frac{(-1)^{2l}}{4l+1} \sin\left(\frac{3(4l+1)\pi}{4}\right) \sin((4l+1)\pi x) \\
&+ \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{\pi} \frac{(-1)^{2l+1}}{4l+3} \sin\left(\frac{3(4l+3)\pi}{4}\right) \sin((4l+3)\pi x) \\
&= \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{\pi} \frac{1}{4l+1} \sin\left(3l\pi + \frac{3\pi}{4}\right) \sin((4l+1)\pi x) \\
&+ \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{\pi} \frac{-1}{4l+3} \sin\left(3l\pi + \frac{9\pi}{4}\right) \sin((4l+3)\pi x) \\
&= \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{\pi} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \frac{(-1)^l}{4l+1} \sin((4l+1)\pi x) - \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{\pi} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \frac{(-1)^l}{4l+3} \sin((4l+3)\pi x) \\
&= \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{\pi} \frac{(-1)^l}{4l+1} \sin((4l+1)\pi x) - \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{\pi} \frac{(-1)^l}{4l+3} \sin((4l+3)\pi x).
\end{aligned}$$

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38. Let f be the function defined by $f(x) = 2 - x$ for $0 \leq x \leq 2$.

We would like to expand f in a Fourier series on the interval $[0, 2]$.

The Fourier series expansion of f on the interval $[0, 2]$ is obtained from the Fourier series of the function f^* defined on the interval $[-2, 2]$ by

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

The Fourier series of f^* on the interval $[-1, 1]$ is given by

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

where

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 &= \frac{1}{1} \int_{-1}^1 f^*(x) dx = \int_{-1}^0 -x dx + \int_0^1 (2-x) dx \\ &= \left[-\frac{x^2}{2} \right]_{-1}^0 + \left[2x - \frac{x^2}{2} \right]_0^1 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} + 2 - \frac{1}{2} = 2. \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= \frac{1}{1} \int_{-1}^1 f(x) \cos(n\pi x) dx = \int_{-1}^0 -x \cos(n\pi x) dx + \int_0^1 (2-x) \cos(n\pi x) dx \\ &= \int_{-1}^1 -x \cos(n\pi x) dx + \int_0^1 2 \cos(n\pi x) dx \\ &= \int_0^1 2 \cos(n\pi x) dx \quad \text{since } x \cos(n\pi x) \text{ is an odd function} \\ &= \left[2 \frac{1}{n\pi} \sin(n\pi x) \right]_0^1 \\ &= \frac{2}{n\pi} (\sin(n\pi) - 0) \\ &= 0. \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
b_n &= \frac{1}{1} \int_{-1}^1 f(x) \sin(n\pi x) dx = \int_{-1}^0 -x \sin(n\pi x) dx + \int_0^1 (2-x) \sin(n\pi x) dx \\
&= \int_{-1}^1 -x \sin(n\pi x) dx + \int_0^1 2 \sin(n\pi x) dx \\
&= -2 \int_0^1 x \sin(n\pi x) dx + 2 \int_0^1 \sin(n\pi x) dx \quad \text{since } x \cos(n\pi x) \text{ is an even function} \\
&= -2 \int_0^1 x \sin(n\pi x) dx + 2 \left[-\frac{1}{n\pi} \cos(n\pi x) \right]_0^1 \\
&= -2 \int_0^1 x \sin(n\pi x) dx + \frac{2}{n\pi} (1 - \cos(n\pi)) \\
&= -2 \int_0^1 x \sin(n\pi x) dx + 2 \frac{1 - (-1)^n}{n\pi}. \tag{4}
\end{aligned}$$

Integrating by parts, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^1 x \sin(n\pi x) dx &= \left[-x \frac{1}{n\pi} \cos(n\pi x) \right]_0^1 - \int_0^1 -\frac{1}{n\pi} \cos(n\pi x) dx \\
&= -\frac{1}{n\pi} \cos(n\pi) + 0 + \frac{1}{n\pi} \int_0^1 \cos(n\pi x) dx \\
&= \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n\pi} + \frac{1}{n\pi} \left[\frac{1}{n\pi} \sin(n\pi x) \right]_0^1 \\
&= \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n\pi} + \frac{1}{n^2\pi^2} (\sin(n\pi) - 0) \\
&= \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n\pi}. \tag{5}
\end{aligned}$$

Using (3) and (4), we get

$$b_n = -2 \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n\pi} + 2 \frac{1 - (-1)^n}{n\pi} = \frac{2}{n\pi}. \tag{6}$$

Taking into account (1), (2), (3) and (6), it follows that the Fourier series of f^* on the interval $[-1, 1]$ is given by

$$1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{n\pi} \sin(n\pi x).$$

The Fourier series of f on the interval $[0, 2]$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{n\pi} \sin(n\pi x) \quad & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{n\pi} \sin(n\pi(x-2)) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{n\pi} \sin(n\pi x) \quad & \text{if } 1 < x \leq 2. \end{aligned}$$

Hence the Fourier series of f on the interval $[0, 2]$ is given by

$$1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{n\pi} \sin(n\pi x).$$

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