**Instruction:** This is an in class assignment. Member:

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## **Questions: Fourier Series**

1. Plot along with Matlab code the first three partial sums and the function  $f(t) = t(\pi - t)$ :

$$f(t) = t(\pi - t) = \frac{8}{\pi} \left( \frac{\sin(t)}{1} + \frac{\sin(3t)}{27} + \frac{\sin(5t)}{125} \right), \qquad 0 < t < \pi, \tag{1}$$

Why is  $1/k^3$  the decay rate for this function? What is its second derivative? **Solution:** The plot and Matlab code is shown below:



## Matlab code 1 t = 0:0.1:pi; 2 ft = (8/pi)\*(sin(t)/1 + sin(3\*t)/27 + sin(5\*t)/125); 3 y1 = t.\*(pi -t); 4 plot(t,ft,'r-', t, y1,'b--', 'linewidth',2)

Since f(t) is an odd function then the fourier approximate contains only odd terms. Moreover

 $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 27 & 125 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3^3 & 5^3 \end{bmatrix} = k^3, k = 1, 3, 5, \dots$ 

So the decay rate is  $1/k^3$ . Its second derivative is

$$\frac{d^2 f(t)}{dt^2} = -\frac{8}{\pi} \left( \frac{\sin(t)}{1} + \frac{\sin(3t)}{3} + \frac{\sin(5t)}{5} \right)$$

2. Sketch the  $2\pi$ -periodic half wave with  $f(t) = \sin(t)$  for  $0 < t < \pi$  and f(t) = 0 for  $-\pi < t < 0$ . Find its Fourier series by hand and Matab by showing at least 5 first terms.

## Solution:



Calculating by hand, we start with three formulas:

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_{-T_0/2}^{T_0/2} f(t)dt, \quad a_k = \frac{2}{T_0} \int_{-T_0/2}^{T_0/2} f(t)\cos(k\omega_0 t)dt, \quad b_k = \frac{2}{T_0} \int_{-T_0/2}^{T_0/2} f(t)\sin(k\omega_0 t)dt$$

Since  $\omega_0 = 2\pi/T_0$  and  $T_0 = 2\pi$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin(t) dt = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin(t) dt = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left( -\cos(t) \Big|_0^{\pi} \right) = \frac{1}{\pi} \\ a_k &= \frac{2}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin(t) \cos(kt) dt = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin(t) \cos(kt) dt \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \left[ \sin((k+1)t) + \sin((1-k)t) \right] dt \\ &= \begin{cases} 0, & k = \text{ odd number} \\ \frac{-2}{\pi(1-k^2)}, & k = \text{ even number} \end{cases} \\ b_k &= \frac{2}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin(t) \sin(kt) dt = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin(t) \sin(kt) dt \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \cos((1-k)t) - \cos((1+k)t) dt \\ &= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}, & k = 1 \\ 0, & k > 1 \end{cases}. \end{aligned}$$

The 5 first terms are shown in the Table 1.

No.	Matlab		Hand	
	$a_k$	$b_k$	$a_k$	$b_k$
0	0.3183	0	$\frac{1}{\pi} = 0.3183$	0
1	0	0.5	0	0.5
2	-0.2122	0	$\frac{-2}{3\pi} = -0.2122$	0
3	0	0	0	0
4	-0.0424	0	$\frac{-2}{15\pi} = -0.0424$	0
5	0	0	0	0

Table 1: Five first terms of Fourier coefficient

## Matlab code

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1 close all; clear all;
2 dx = 0.001; L = 2*pi; t = -L:dx:L;
3 n = length(t); nquart = floor(n/4); % one fourth of data point;
4
5 f = zeros(size(t));
6 f(1:nquart) = sin(t(1:nquart));
7 f(nquart+1:2*nquart) = 0;
8 f(2*nquart+1:3*nquart) = sin(t(2*nquart+1:3*nquart));
9 f(3*nquart+1:4*nquart) = 0;
10
11 for N = 1:5,
12
       hold off;
13
       plot(t, f, 'k', 'linewidth', 2)
14
        grid;
15
       % calculate only half then 2/L \rightarrow 1/L
16
       A0 = (1/2) * sum(f.*ones(size(t))) * dx * 1/L;
17
       fFS = AO;
18
       for k = 1:N
19
            Ak(k) = sum(f.*cos(2*pi*k*t/L))*dx*1/L;
20
            Bk(k) = sum(f.*sin(2*pi*k*t/L))*dx*1/L;
21
            fFS = fFS + Ak(k)*cos(2*k*pi*t/L) + Bk(k)*sin(2*k*pi*t/L);
22
        end
23
       hold on;
24
        plot(t,fFS, 'r--', 'linewidth', 2);
25
       drawnow;
26
       pause(0.1);
27 \text{ end}
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