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# Fourier series



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#### ✤ <u>TITLE JUSTIFICATION :</u>

The title justified as that in 1822 a French mathematician Joseph Fourier invented a **Fourier series** Function. According to Fourier series if we have any **periodic signal** (**means** that signal repeat itself after some particular time) we can calculate their time period and frequency. In short, "Fourier series is a way of representing a periodic function as a (possibly infinite) sum of **sine** and **cosine** functions." Fourier series is a very powerful method to solve ordinary and partial differential equations.

#### ✤ <u>THEME :</u>

In this chapter we will study about the **Fourier series** which is useful to find out the **frequency** of the **periodic function**. The Fourier series is a particular way of rewriting functions as a series of trigonometric functions like in the form of Sine & Cosine for the wave function. For functions that are **not periodic**, the Fourier series is replaced by the **Fourier transform**. Fourier series also use as the **Signal** processing, **Image** Processing, **Heat** distribution, **Wave** simplification, **Radiation** measurement etc....

### ✤ INTRODUCTION :

### \* Fourier Series:

- Any piecewise smooth function defined on a finite interval has a Fourier series expansion.
- In 1822 French mathematician J.B. FOURIER invented Fourier series. It is an infinite series representation of periodic function in terms of the trigonometric sine and cosine functions.
   Fourier series is a very powerful method to solve ordinary and partial differential equations.
- Fourier series is possible not only for continuous functions but also for periodic functions, functions which are discontinuous in their values and derivatives.
- "A Fourier series is defined as an expansion of a periodic function or representation of a function in a series of sines and cosines, "

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

Here is the coefficients  $\mathbf{a}_0$ ,  $\mathbf{a}_n$  and  $\mathbf{b}_n$  are the Fourier coefficients of f (x) defined as:

Fourier coefficients of f(x), given by the Euler formulas

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx$$
$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx \, dx$$
$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx \, dx$$





SR.	QUESTION	ANSWER
NO		
1	Expansion of periodic function as sine and cosine is known as	Fourier series
2	What are the Fourier co efficient?	$a_0$ , $a_n$ and $b_n$
3	Write the value of $a_0$ co efficient ?	$\frac{1}{2\pi}\int_{-\pi}^{\pi}f(x)dx$
4	Write the value of $a_n$ co efficient ?	$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx  dx$
5	Write the value of $b_n$ co efficient ?	$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx  dx$
6	Write the Fourier series equation in terms of sine & cosine.	$f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin nx$

### \* Fourier Series Co - efficient :

Let us further assume that f(x) can be represented by a trigonometric series,

$$f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx) \qquad -\pi \le x \le \pi$$
....(A)

#### • FOR DETERMINATION OF **a**<sub>0</sub> :

if we integrate both side of equation (A) :

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \, dx = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} a_0 \, dx + \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx \right) \, dx$$
$$= 2\pi a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos nx \, dx + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin nx \, dx$$

but

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos nx \, dx = \frac{1}{n} \sin nx \bigg]_{-\pi}^{\pi} = \frac{1}{n} [\sin n\pi - \sin(-n\pi)] = 0$$

because n is an integer. Similarly,

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin nx \, dx = 0.$$
 So

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \, dx = 2\pi a_0$$

and solving for a<sub>0</sub> gives

#### • FOR DETERMINATION OF **a**<sub>n</sub> :

For determine we have multiply equation A with cos mx and integrate with limits.

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos mx \, dx = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left[ a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx \right) \right] \cos mx \, dx$$
$$= a_0 \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos mx \, dx + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos nx \cos mx \, dx + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin nx \cos mx \, dx$$

For using orthogonality function for above equation , the first and third term will be zero for above equation. The only nonzero term is  $a_m \pi$  and we get ,

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos mx \, dx = a_m \pi$$

Solving for am, and then replacing  $m \ by \ n$  , we have

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx \, dx \qquad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$
....(2)

• FOR DETERMINATION OF **b**<sub>n</sub> :

Similarly, if we multiply both sides of Equation **A** with **sin mx** by and integrate them, we get

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx \, dx \qquad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

.... (3)

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So we get below result :

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Fourier coefficients of f(x), given by the Euler formulas

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx$$
$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx \, dx$$
$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx \, dx$$

### **\*** <u>Orthogonality condition :</u>

• F{Trigonometric Poly.} = Itself

- $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin nx \, \sin mx \, dx = \begin{cases} 0 &: n \neq m \\ \pi &: n = m \end{cases}$
- $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin nx \, \cos mx \, dx = 0$  always

• 
$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos nx \, \cos mx \, dx = \begin{cases} 0 & : & n \neq m \\ \pi & : & n = m \end{cases}$$

SR.NO	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	$\cos n\pi =$	$(-1)^n$
2	$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin nx \cos nx  dx =$	0
3	$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos nx \cos mx  dx =$	π

### **Problems on Fourier Series**

1) Find the Fourier series to represent  $f(x) = x^2$  in the interval  $(0, 2\pi)$ .

**Sol**: We know that, the Fourier series of f(x) defined in the interval  $(0, 2\pi)$  is given by

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

where,  $a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \, dx$ 

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \cos nx \, dx$$
$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \sin nx \, dx$$

Here,  $f(x) = x^2$ 

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Now,  $a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} x^2 dx$  $= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^{2\pi} = \frac{1}{3\pi} [(2\pi)^3 - 0] = \frac{8}{3} \pi^2$  $\implies \boxed{a_0 = \frac{8}{3} \pi^2}$ 

Again,  $a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \cos nx \, dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{x^2}{u} \underbrace{\cos nx}_v \, dx$ 

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ x^2 \int \cos nx \, dx - \left\{ \int \frac{d}{dx} (x^2) (\int \cos nx \, dx) dx \right\} \right]$$

$$\left[:\int uv\,dx = u\int v\,dx - \left\{\int \frac{du}{dx}\,.\,(\int v\,dx)dx\right\}\right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ x^2 \left( \frac{\sin nx}{n} \right) - \left\{ \int 2x \left( \frac{\sin nx}{n} \right) dx \right\} \right]_0^{2\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ x^2 \left( \frac{\sin nx}{n} \right) - \frac{2}{n} \left\{ \int \frac{x}{u} \frac{\sin nx}{v} dx \right\} \right]_0^{2\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ x^2 \left( \frac{\sin nx}{n} \right) - \frac{2}{n} \left( -x \frac{\cos nx}{n} + \int 1 \cdot \frac{\cos nx}{n} dx \right) \right]_0^{2\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ x^2 \left( \frac{\sin nx}{n} \right) - \frac{2}{n} \left( -x \frac{\cos nx}{n} + \frac{1}{n} \int \cos nx dx \right) \right]_0^{2\pi}$$

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

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

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

$$= \frac{4}{n^2} \left[ \because \frac{\cos 2n\pi}{n} = 1 \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{a_n = \frac{4}{n^2}}$$
Again,  $b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) \sin nx \, dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{x^2}{u} \frac{\sin nx}{u} \, dx$ 

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \Big[ x^2 \int \sin nx \, dx - \Big\{ \int \frac{d}{dx} (x^2) (\int \sin nx \, dx) \, dx \Big\} \Big]$$

$$\left[ \because \int uv \, dx = u \int v \, dx - \Big\{ \int \frac{du}{dx} \cdot (\int v \, dx) \, dx \Big\} \Big]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \Big[ x^2 \left( -\frac{\cos nx}{n} \right) - \Big\{ \int 2x \left( -\frac{\cos nx}{n} \right) \, dx \Big\} \Big]_0^{2\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \Big[ -x^2 \left( \frac{\cos nx}{n} \right) + \frac{2}{n} \Big\{ \int \frac{x}{u} \frac{\cos nx}{v} \, dx \Big\} \Big]_0^{2\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \Big[ -x^2 \left( \frac{\cos nx}{n} \right) + \frac{2}{n} \Big\{ x \frac{\sin nx}{n} + \int 1 \cdot \frac{\sin nx}{n} \, dx \Big\} \Big]_0^{2\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \Big[ -x^2 \left( \frac{\cos nx}{n} \right) + \frac{2}{n} \Big( x \frac{\sin nx}{n} + \frac{1}{n} \int \sin nx \, dx \Big) \Big]_0^{2\pi}$$

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

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

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

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

$$= -\frac{4\pi}{n} \quad \left[ \because \frac{\cos 2n\pi}{\sin 2n\pi} = 0 \right]$$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = \frac{4\pi^2}{x} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \Big( \frac{4}{n^2} \cos nx - \frac{4\pi}{n} \sin nx \Big)$$
This is the Fourier series for the function  $f(x) = x^2$ 

Hence the result

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2) Find the Fourier series of the periodic function defined as  $f(x) = \begin{cases} -\pi & ; -\pi < x < 0 \\ x & ; 0 < x < \pi \end{cases}$ 

Hence deduce that  $\frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \dots = \frac{\pi^2}{8}$ 

**Sol**: We know that, the Fourier series of f(x) defined in the interval  $(-\pi, \pi)$  is given by

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

where,  $a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx$   $a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx dx$   $b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx dx$ Here,  $f(x) = \begin{cases} -\pi & ; -\pi < x < 0 \\ x & ; 0 < x < \pi \end{cases}$ Now,  $a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{-\pi}^{0} f(x) dx + \int_{0}^{\pi} f(x) dx \right]$   $= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{-\pi}^{0} (-\pi) dx + \int_{0}^{\pi} x dx \right]$   $= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ (-\pi) \int_{-\pi}^{0} dx + \int_{0}^{\pi} x dx \right]$   $= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ (-\pi) [x]_{-\pi}^{0} + \left[ \frac{x^2}{2} \right]_{0}^{\pi} \right] = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ (-\pi) (\pi) + \frac{\pi^2}{2} \right]$   $= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -\pi^2 + \frac{\pi^2}{2} \right] = -\frac{\pi}{2}$  $\Rightarrow \boxed{a_0 = -\frac{\pi}{2}}$ 

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

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{-\pi}^{0} f(x) \cos nx \, dx + \int_{0}^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx \, dx \right]$$
  

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{-\pi}^{0} (-\pi) \cos nx \, dx + \int_{0}^{\pi} x \cos nx \, dx \right]$$
  

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -\pi \int_{-\pi}^{0} (\cos nx) \, dx + \int_{0}^{\pi} x \cos nx \, dx \right]$$
  

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -\pi \left( \frac{\sin nx}{n} \right)_{-\pi}^{0} + \left\{ x \left( \frac{\sin nx}{n} \right) - \int 1 \left( \frac{\sin nx}{n} \right) \, dx \right\}_{0}^{\pi} \right]$$
  

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -\frac{\pi}{n} (\sin nx)_{-\pi}^{0} + \left\{ \frac{x \sin nx}{n} - \frac{1}{n} \int \sin nx \, dx \right\}_{0}^{\pi} \right]$$
  

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -\frac{\pi}{n} (\sin nx)_{-\pi}^{0} + \left\{ \frac{x \sin nx}{n} - \frac{1}{n} \int \sin nx \, dx \right\}_{0}^{\pi} \right]$$

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$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -\frac{\pi}{n} (\sin nx)^0 _{\pi} + \left\{ \frac{x \sin nx}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2} \cos nx \right\}_0^{\pi} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -\frac{\pi}{n} [0 - \sin(-n\pi)] + \left\{ \left( \frac{\pi \sin n\pi}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2} \cos n\pi \right) - \left( 0 + \frac{1}{n^2} \cos n\theta \right) \right\} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -\frac{\pi}{n} \sin n\pi + \left\{ \left( \frac{\pi \sin n\pi}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2} \cos n\pi \right) - \frac{1}{n^2} \cdot 1 \right\} \right] & \left[ \because \frac{\cos(-\theta) = \cos \theta}{\sin(-\theta) = \sin \theta} \right] \\ \Rightarrow a_n &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -\frac{\pi}{n} (0) + \left\{ \left( \frac{\pi (0)}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2} (-1)^n \right) - \frac{1}{n^2} \right\} \right] & \left[ \because \frac{\sin n\pi = 0}{\cos n\pi = (-1)^n} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \left[ \frac{-1}{n^2} + \frac{1}{n^2} \right] = \frac{1}{\pi n^2} \left[ (-1)^n - 1 \right] \\ \Rightarrow & \left[ a_n = \frac{1}{\pi n^2} \left[ (-1)^n - 1 \right] \right] \\ \text{Again, } b_n &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\theta} f(x) \sin nx \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{-\pi}^{0} f(x) \sin nx \, dx + \int_{0}^{\pi} x \sin nx \, dx \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{-\pi}^{0} (-\pi) \sin nx \, dx + \int_{0}^{\pi} x \sin nx \, dx \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -\pi \int_{-\pi}^{0} (\sin nx) \, dx + \int_{0}^{\pi} x \sin nx \, dx \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -\pi \left( -\frac{\cos nx}{n} \right)_{-\pi}^0 + \left\{ x \left( -\frac{\cos nx}{n} \right) - \int 1 \left( -\frac{\cos nx}{n} \right) \, dx \right\}_{0}^{\pi} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{\pi}{n} (\cos nx)^0 _{\pi} + \left\{ -\frac{x \cos nx}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2} \sin nx \, dx \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{\pi}{n} (\cos nx)^0 _{\pi} + \left\{ -\frac{x \cos nx}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2} \sin nx \right\}_{0}^{\pi} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{\pi}{n} \left[ 1 - \cos(-n\pi) \right] + \left\{ \left( -\frac{\pi \cos n\pi}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2} \sin nx \right) - \left( -0 + \frac{1}{n^2} \sin n0 \right) \right\} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{\pi}{n} \left[ 1 - \cos n\pi \right] - \frac{\pi \cos n\pi}{n} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \left[ \frac{\pi}{n} \left[ 1 - \cos n\pi \right] - \frac{\pi \cos n\pi}{n} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \left[ \frac{\pi}{n} \left[ 1 - \cos n\pi \right] - \frac{\pi \cos n\pi}{n} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \left[ \frac{\pi}{n} \left[ 1 - \cos n\pi \right] \right] + \left\{ \left( -\frac{\pi \cos n\pi}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2} \sin n\pi \right) - \left( -0 + \frac{1}{n^2} \sin n0 \right) \right\} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{\pi}{n} \left[ 1 - \cos n\pi \right] - \frac{\pi \cos n\pi}{n} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \left[ \frac{\pi}{n} \left[ 1 - \cos n\pi \right] - \frac{\pi \cos n\pi}{n} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \left[ \frac{\pi}{n} \left[ 1 - 2 \cos n\pi \right] \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \left[ \frac{\pi}{n} \left[ 1 - 2 \cos n\pi \right] \right] \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the Fourier series for given f(x) is given by

$$f(x) = \frac{-\frac{\pi}{2}}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{\pi n^2} \left[ (-1)^n - 1 \right] \cos nx + \frac{1}{n} (1 - 2\cos n\pi) \sin nx \right)$$

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 $\Rightarrow f(x) = -\frac{\pi}{4} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{\pi n^2} [(-1)^n - 1] \cos nx + \frac{1}{n} (1 - 2 \cos n\pi) \sin nx \right)$  $\Rightarrow f(x) = -\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{2}{\pi} \left( \cos x + \frac{\cos 3x}{3^2} + \frac{\cos 5x}{5^2} + \dots \right) + \left( 3 \sin x - \frac{\sin 2x}{2} + \frac{\sin 3x}{3} - \frac{\sin 4x}{4} + \dots \right)$  $\text{Deduction: Put } x = \theta \text{ in the above function } f(x) \text{ , we get}$  $f(0) = -\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{2}{\pi} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \dots \right)$  $\text{Since, } f(x) \text{ is discontinuous at } x = 0, f(0 - 0) = -\pi$  $f(0) = -\frac{\pi}{2} [f(0 - 0) + f(0 + 0)]$  $\Rightarrow f(0) = \frac{1}{2} [f(0 - 0) + f(0 + 0)]$  $\Rightarrow f(0) = \frac{1}{2} (-\pi) = -\frac{\pi}{2}$  $\text{Hence, } f(0) = -\frac{\pi}{2} = -\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{2}{\pi} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \dots \right)$  $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \dots = \frac{\pi^2}{8} \\ \text{Hence the result}$ 

3) Expand the function  $f(x) = x^2$  as Fourier series in  $[-\pi, \pi]$ .

Hence deduce that  $\frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{4^2} + \dots = \frac{\pi^2}{6}$ 

**Sol:** We know that, the Fourier series of f(x) defined in the interval  $(-\pi, \pi)$  is given by

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

where,  $a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx$   $a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx dx$   $b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx dx$ Here,  $f(x) = x^2$ 

Now, 
$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx$$
  
=  $\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x^2 dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{0}^{\pi} x^2 dx$   
=  $\frac{2}{\pi} \left[ \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_{0}^{\pi} = \frac{2\pi^2}{3}$ 

$$\Rightarrow a_0 = \frac{2\pi^2}{3}$$

Again,  $a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx \, dx$   $= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x^2 \cos nx \, dx$   $= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{0}^{\pi} x^2 \cos nx \, dx$  [::  $f(x) \text{ is even} \Rightarrow \int_{-a}^{a} f(x) dx = 2 \int_{0}^{a} f(x) dx$ ]  $= \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ \frac{x^2 \sin nx}{n} + \frac{2x \cos nx}{n^2} - \frac{2x \sin nx}{n^3} \right]_{0}^{\pi} = \frac{4}{n^2} (-1)^n$  $\Rightarrow a_n = \frac{4}{n^2} (-1)^n$ 

Again,  $a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx \, dx$  $= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x^2 \sin nx \, dx$  $= 0 \qquad [\because f(x) \text{ is odd} \Longrightarrow \int_{-a}^{a} f(x) \, dx = 0]$ 

Hence, the Fourier series for given f(x) is given by

$$f(x) = x^2 = \frac{\left(\frac{2\pi^2}{3}\right)}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{n^2} (-1)^n \cos nx$$
$$\implies x^2 = \frac{\pi^2}{3} + 4\left(-\cos x + \frac{\cos 2x}{2^2} - \frac{\cos 3x}{3^2} + \frac{\cos 4x}{4^2} - \dots\right)$$

**Deduction:** Put  $x = \pi$  in the above equation, we get

$$\Rightarrow \pi^{2} = \frac{\pi^{2}}{3} + 4\left(-\cos \pi + \frac{\cos 2\pi}{2^{2}} - \frac{\cos 3\pi}{3^{2}} + \frac{\cos 4\pi}{4^{2}} - \dots\right)$$
$$\Rightarrow \pi^{2} - \frac{\pi^{2}}{3} = 4\left(1 + \frac{1}{2^{2}} + \frac{1}{3^{2}} + \frac{1}{4^{2}} + \dots\right)$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{2\pi^{2}}{3} = 4\left(1 + \frac{1}{2^{2}} + \frac{1}{3^{2}} + \frac{1}{4^{2}} + \dots\right)$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{\pi^{2}}{6} = 1 + \frac{1}{2^{2}} + \frac{1}{3^{2}} + \frac{1}{4^{2}} + \dots$$

Hence the Result

SR.NO	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	$f(x) = x + x^2  \text{for}  -\pi < x < \pi$	$1 + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{4^2} + \dots$
2	$f(x) = x + x^2  \text{for}  -\pi < x < \pi$	$\frac{\pi^2}{6}$
3	$\frac{\pi^2}{6} = 1 + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{4^2} + \dots$	$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$
4	$f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} -\pi & -\pi < x < 0 \\ x, & 0 < x < \pi \end{bmatrix}$	$\frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \dots$
5	$f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} -\pi & -\pi < x < 0 \\ x, & 0 < x < \pi \end{bmatrix}$	$=\frac{\pi^2}{8}$
6	$f(x) = x^2, \qquad -\pi \le x \le \pi$	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
7	$f(x) = x^2, \qquad -\pi \le x \le \pi$	$=\frac{\pi^2}{12}$

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