

Math 424 - Assignment 2 - Solutions

Chapter 1, problem 1:

$f(x) = x^2$, $f(-x) = (-x)^2 = x^2$ so f is even and we know from Thm. 1.8. that $b_k = 0 \forall k$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x^2 dx = \frac{1}{3} \pi^2$$

$$a_k = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x^2 \cos(kx) dx \stackrel{\text{integration by parts}}{=} \frac{2}{\pi} \left(\frac{x^2}{k} \sin(kx) \Big|_0^{\pi} - \int_0^{\pi} 2x \frac{1}{k} \cdot \sin(kx) dx \right)$$
$$= -\frac{4}{\pi k} \int_0^{\pi} x \sin(kx) dx = \frac{4}{\pi k} \left[\frac{x}{k} \cos(kx) \Big|_0^{\pi} + \int_0^{\pi} \frac{1}{k} \cos(kx) dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{4\pi}{\pi k^2} \cos(k\pi) = \begin{cases} \frac{4}{k^2} & \text{if } k \text{ is even} \\ -\frac{4}{k^2} & \text{if } k \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{so } f(x) = \frac{1}{3} \pi^2 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{k^2} (-1)^k \cdot \cos(kx)$$

This means we can immediately write the partial sums:

$$S_1 = \frac{1}{3} \pi^2 - 4 \cos(x)$$

$$S_2 = \frac{1}{3} \pi^2 - 4 \cos(x) + \cos(2x)$$

$$S_5 = \frac{1}{3} \pi^2 - 4 \cos(x) + \cos(2x) - \frac{4}{9} \cos(3x) + \dots$$

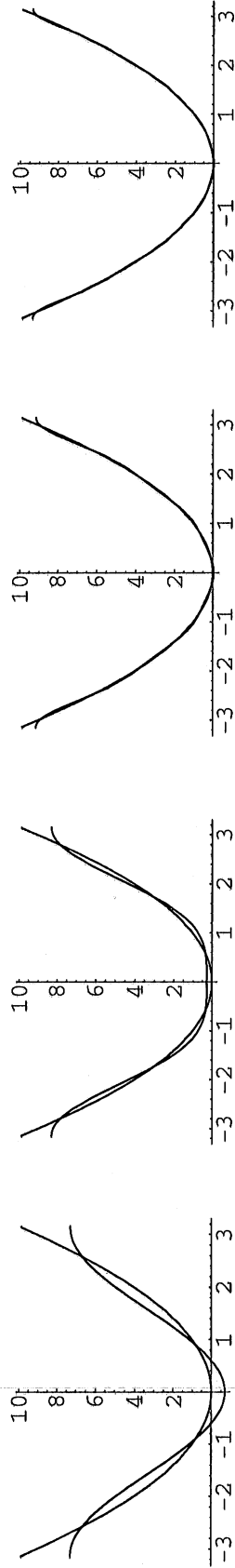
etc.

For the plots, see next page (it is OK if you use your favourite computer package \rightarrow to generate plots)

We see that the partial sums work well on $[-\pi, \pi]$ and it is also not surprising from the theory that our coefficients from $[-\pi, \pi]$ may fail on $[-2\pi, 2\pi]$.

$$\text{In[35]} := f[x_, N_] := \frac{\pi^2}{3} + \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{4 * (-1)^k}{k^2} \text{Cos}[k * x];$$

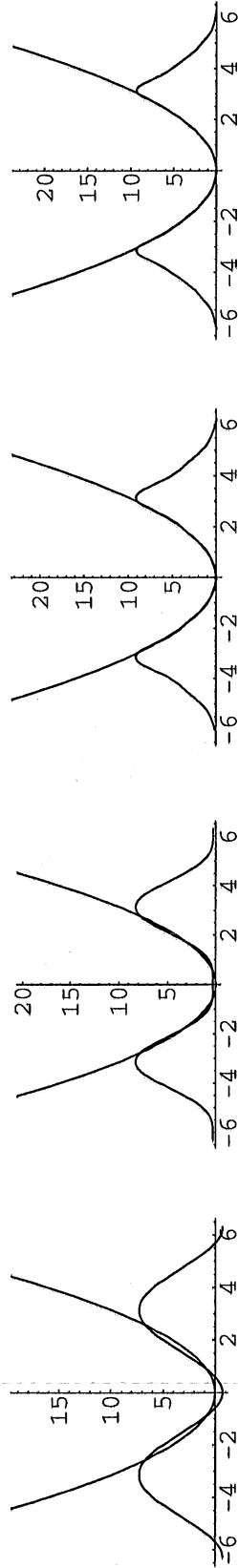
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p1 = Plot[{x^2, f[x, 1]}, {x, -\pi, \pi}, DisplayFunction -> Identity];
p2 = Plot[{x^2, f[x, 2]}, {x, -\pi, \pi}, DisplayFunction -> Identity];
p3 = Plot[{x^2, f[x, 5]}, {x, -\pi, \pi}, DisplayFunction -> Identity];
p4 = Plot[{x^2, f[x, 7]}, {x, -\pi, \pi}, DisplayFunction -> Identity];
Show[GraphicsArray[{p1, p2, p3, p4}]];
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Now the same graphs for the interval $[-2\pi, 2\pi]$

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In[46] := p5 = Plot[{x^2, f[x, 1]}, {x, -2 * \pi, 2 * \pi}, DisplayFunction -> Identity];
p6 = Plot[{x^2, f[x, 2]}, {x, -2 * \pi, 2 * \pi}, DisplayFunction -> Identity];
p7 = Plot[{x^2, f[x, 5]}, {x, -2 * \pi, 2 * \pi}, DisplayFunction -> Identity];
p8 = Plot[{x^2, f[x, 7]}, {x, -2 * \pi, 2 * \pi}, DisplayFunction -> Identity];
Show[GraphicsArray[{p5, p6, p7, p8}]];
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Chapter 1, problem 3:

For a cosine series, we consider the even extension of $f(x)=x^2$, given by $f_e(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & \text{if } x \in [0, \pi] \\ f(-x) & \text{if } x \in [-\pi, 0) \end{cases}$

The discussion on p. 48 gives:

$$f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \cos(kx)$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x^2 dx = \pi^2/3$$

$$a_k = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x^2 \cos(kx) dx = \begin{cases} 4/k^2 & \text{if } k \text{ is even} \\ -4/k^2 & \text{if } k \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

see problem 1

$$\text{So } f(x) = \pi^2/3 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{k^2} \cdot (-1)^k \cos(kx)$$

Chapter 1, problem 4:

Again referring to page 48, we get using an odd extension of $f(x)=x^2$ that on $[0,1]$

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k \sin(k\pi x)$$

where

$$b_k = 2 \int_0^1 x^2 \sin(k\pi x) dx \quad \text{integration by parts}$$

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

i.b.p.

$$= -\frac{2}{k\pi} \cos(k\pi) + \frac{4}{k\pi} (-1) \int_0^1 \sin(k\pi x) dx$$

$$= -\frac{2}{k\pi} \cos(k\pi) + \frac{4}{k^3\pi^3} \cos(k\pi x) \Big|_0^1 = \left[-\frac{2}{k\pi} + \frac{4}{k^3\pi^3} \right] \cos(k\pi) -$$

$$\frac{4}{k^3\pi^3}$$

$$= \begin{cases} -\frac{2}{k\pi} & \text{if } k \text{ is even} \\ -\frac{2}{k\pi} - \frac{8}{k^3\pi^3} & \text{if } k \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{so } f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\left[-\frac{2}{k\pi} + \frac{4}{k^3\pi^3} \right] \cos(k\pi) - \frac{4}{k^3\pi^3} \right)$$

Chapter 1, problem 7:

$$f(x) = |\sin x| = |-\sin(x)| = |\sin(-x)| \quad \text{so } f \text{ is even}$$

Thm 1.8 gives that we just have to look at the cosine terms.

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin(x) dx = -\frac{1}{\pi} \cos x \Big|_0^{\pi} = \frac{2}{\pi}$$

$$a_k = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin x \cos kx dx = \dots = \frac{2(1 + \cos k\pi)}{\pi - k^2\pi}$$

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$$= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } k \text{ is odd } (k \neq 1) \\ \frac{4}{\pi - k^2\pi} & \text{if } k \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{so } f(x) = \frac{2}{\pi} + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2(1 + \cos(k\pi))}{\pi - k^2\pi} \right) \cos(kx)$$

Notice if $k=1 \Rightarrow a_1 = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin x \cos x dx = \dots = 0$

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(*) note that $\sin(mx+nx) = \sin(mx)\cos(nx) + \cos(mx)\sin(nx)$
 $\sin(mx-nx) = \sin(mx)\cos(nx) - \cos(mx)\sin(nx)$

so that

$$\sin(mx)\cos(nx) = \frac{(\sin((m+n)x) + \sin((m-n)x))}{2}$$

which is the only non-trivial step in the integral.

Chapter 1- problem 11:

$f(x) = \cos x$, we need an odd extension from $[0, \pi]$
so using the discussion on p. 48

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} b_k \sin(kx)$$

$$b_k = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \cos x \sin(kx) dx = \dots = \frac{2k(1 + \cos(k\pi))}{(k^2 - 1)\pi} \quad k \neq 1$$

(*) previous problem, same trick

again $b_1 = 0$

Chapter 1- problem 16:

$f(x)$ cts $f_e(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & \text{on } [0, a] \\ f(-x) & \text{on } [-a, 0) \end{cases} \rightarrow \text{extend periodically to } \mathbb{R}$

at $x_0 = 0$, pick any sequence $x_k \rightarrow \bar{x}_0$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$ then

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f_e(x_k) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f(-x_k) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f(\tilde{x}_k) = f(0)$$

$\tilde{x}_k = -x_k$, since $x_k \leq 0$

so f_e is cts at 0. Since $f_e(a) = f(-a)$ the periodic extension to \mathbb{R} will also be continuous. \square

For odd periodic extensions, we can easily find a continuous f s.t. f cts on $[0, 1]$ but $f_o = \begin{cases} f(x) & \text{on } [0, 1] \\ -f(-x) & \text{on } [-1, 0) \end{cases}$

is not. Simply take $f(x) = 1$ on $[0, 1]$

$$\Rightarrow f_o(x) = -1 \text{ on } [-1, 0) \\ \Rightarrow \text{discts. at } 0.$$

From the fact that for continuity we need

(1) $-f(0) = f(0)$ we conclude $f(0) = 0$

also the same argument holds at a for $f(x)$ on $[0, a]$

so

(2) $f(a) = 0$

→ then the periodic extension will bects if f is.

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