

Quiz # 5

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Consider the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 + \frac{2}{\pi}x & \text{if } -\frac{\pi}{2} \leq x < 0 \\ 1 - \frac{2}{\pi}x & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- (1) Sketch the function.
- (2) Compute the Fourier series, valid in the interval  $[-\pi, \pi]$ , of  $f(x)$ .

**IMPORTANT: Take advantage of even/odd properties to reduce calculations.**

**Solution.**

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

Since  $f$  is even, the terms  $b_k = 0$  for all  $k$ .

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} (1 - \frac{2}{\pi}x) dx = \frac{1}{\pi} (x - \frac{x^2}{\pi}) \Big|_0^{\pi/2} = \frac{1}{\pi} (\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi^2}{4\pi}) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$a_k = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} (1 - \frac{2}{\pi}x) \cos(kx) dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} \cos(kx) dx - \frac{4}{\pi^2} \int_0^{\pi/2} x \cos(kx) dx$$

We have:

$$\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} \cos(kx) dx = \frac{2}{k\pi} \sin(kx) \Big|_0^{\pi/2} = \frac{2}{k\pi} \sin(k\frac{\pi}{2})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{4}{\pi^2} \int_0^{\pi/2} x \cos(kx) dx &= \frac{4}{\pi^2} \frac{x}{k} \sin(kx) \Big|_0^{\pi/2} - \frac{4}{\pi^2 k} \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin(kx) dx \\ &= \frac{4}{\pi^2} \frac{x}{k} \sin(k\frac{\pi}{2}) + \frac{4}{\pi^2 k^2} \cos(kx) \Big|_0^{\pi/2} \\ &= \frac{4}{\pi^2} \frac{x}{k} \sin(k\frac{\pi}{2}) + \frac{4}{\pi^2 k^2} \cos(k\frac{\pi}{2}) - \frac{4}{\pi^2 k^2} \end{aligned}$$

Hence, for  $k \geq 1$ ,

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