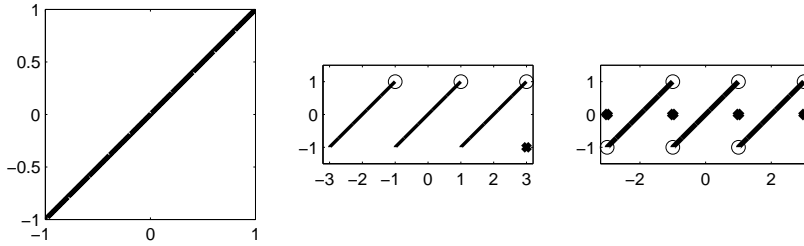
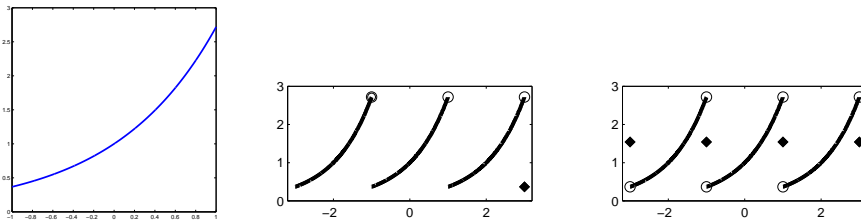


1. For each of the given functions we plot below, $f(x)$ (left), the periodic extension $\tilde{f}(x)$ (middle) and the Fourier Series (right).

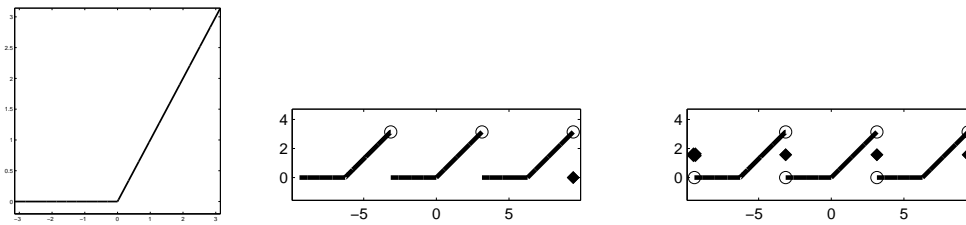
a) $f(x) = x$ on $[-1, 1]$.



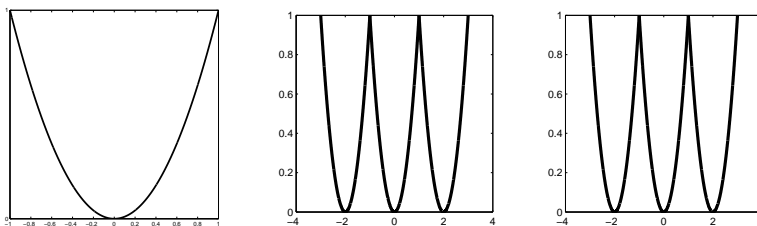
b) $f(x) = \exp(x)$ on $[-1, 1]$.



$$c) f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & -\pi \leq x \leq 0 \\ x & 0 < x \leq \pi \end{cases}$$



d) $f(x) = x^2, x \in [-1, 1]$



2. a) It should be obvious that the function $\sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right)$ is already in the form of a Fourier series with coefficients $a_0 = a_n = 0, n = 1, 2, \dots$ and $b_n = 0, n \neq 1$ and $b_1 = 1$. Applying the definition, we have

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

and working out the coefficients rigourously, we obtain,

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) dx = \frac{1}{2L} \left[\frac{L}{\pi} \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) \right]_{-L}^L = \frac{1}{2L} \left[\frac{L}{\pi} (-1 + 1) \right] = 0,$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx = 0, \quad (\text{using question 4 on sheet 2})$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx = 0, \quad \text{unless } n = 1 \text{ (using question 4 on sheet 2)}$$

and finally,

$$b_1 = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) dx = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L 1 - \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L}\right) dx = \frac{1}{2L} \left[x - \frac{L}{2\pi} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L}\right) \right]_{-L}^L = 1$$

(as we suspected).

- b) Using integration by parts, where necessary, we have

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L x dx = \frac{1}{2L} \left[\frac{x^2}{2} \right]_{-L}^L = 0,$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L x \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx = \frac{1}{L} \left[\left\{ \frac{xL}{n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \right\}_{-L}^L - \int_{-L}^L \left(\frac{L}{n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \right) dx \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{L} \left[0 - \frac{L^2}{n^2\pi^2} \left[-\cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \right]_{-L}^L \right] = \frac{-L}{n\pi} [-\cos(n\pi) + \cos(-n\pi)] = 0. \end{aligned}$$

(Alternatively - just note that x is an odd function) and the a_n coefficients are always zero for odd functions. (See lecture notes for explanation).

$$\begin{aligned} b_n &= \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L x \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx = \frac{1}{L} \left[\left\{ -\frac{xL}{n\pi} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \right\}_{-L}^L + \int_{-L}^L \left(\frac{L}{n\pi} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \right) dx \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{L} \left[-\frac{L^2}{n\pi} (\cos(n\pi) + \cos(-n\pi)) \right] + \frac{L}{n\pi} \left[\sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \frac{L}{n\pi} \right]_{-L}^L = \frac{-2L}{n\pi} \cos(n\pi) + 0 \\ &= \frac{-2L}{n\pi} (-1)^n = \frac{2L}{n\pi} (-1)^{n+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the Fourier series associated with the periodic extension of $f(x)$ is

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

- c) Using integration by parts, where necessary, we have

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^0 1 dx + \frac{1}{2L} \int_0^L 2 dx = \frac{1}{2} + 1 = \frac{3}{2}.$$

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

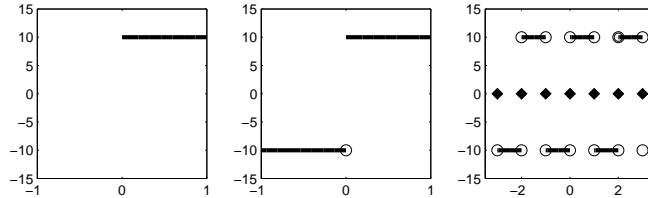
$$\begin{aligned}
b_n &= \frac{1}{L} \left(\int_{-L}^0 \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) + \int_0^L 2 \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{L} \left[-\frac{L}{n\pi} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \right]_{-L}^0 + \frac{2}{L} \left[-\frac{L}{n\pi} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)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

Hence, the Fourier series associated with the periodic extension of $f(x)$ is

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

3. a) $f(x) = |x|$ is an even function since $f(-x) = |-x| = |x| = f(x)$. b) $f(x) = x^{175}$ is an odd function since $f(-x) = (-x)^{175} = (-1)^{175} x^{175} = -x^{175} = -f(x)$. Note that any odd power of x is an odd function. c) $f(x) = x^{-1}$ is an odd function since $f(-x) = (-x)^{-1} = (-1)^{-1} x^{-1} = -x^{-1} = -f(x)$. d) $f(x) = \cos\left(\frac{4\pi x}{3}\right)$ is an even function since $f(-x) = \cos\left(-\frac{4\pi x}{3}\right) = \cos\left(\frac{4\pi x}{3}\right) = f(x)$.

4. a) Below we plot $f(x) = 10$, on the interval $[0, 1]$, (left), the odd extension $f_{odd}(x)$ on the interval $[-1, 1]$ (middle), and the Fourier sine series associated with the periodic extension $\tilde{f}_{odd}(x)$ (right).



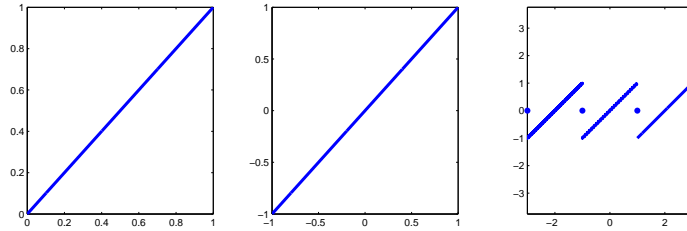
To compute the coefficients of the Fourier sine series,

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

we integrate in a straightforward way to obtain,

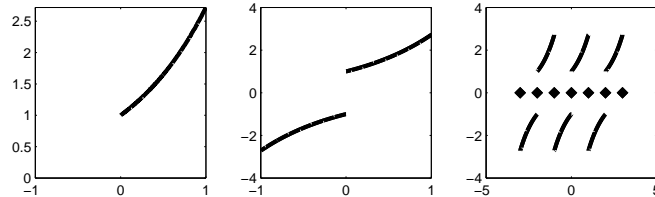
$$\begin{aligned}
b_n &= \int_{-1}^1 \tilde{f}_{odd}(x) \sin(n\pi x) dx = 2 \int_0^1 \tilde{f}_{odd}(x) \sin(n\pi x) dx \\
&= 2 \int_0^1 10 \sin(n\pi x) dx = 20 \left[\left(\frac{-1}{n\pi}\right) \cos(n\pi x) \right]_0^1 = 20 \left[\left(\frac{-1}{n\pi}\right) \cos(n\pi) + \frac{1}{n\pi} \right] \\
&= \frac{20}{n\pi} [1 + (-1)^{n+1}].
\end{aligned}$$

- b) Below we plot $f(x) = x$, on the interval $[0, 1]$, (left), the odd extension $\tilde{f}_{odd}(x)$ on the interval $[-1, 1]$ (middle), and the Fourier sine series associated with the periodic extension $\tilde{f}_{odd}(x)$ (right).



Note that since $\tilde{f}_{odd}(x) = x$, the Fourier sine series associated with the periodic extension of this function is the Fourier series derived in question 1 part a). The coefficients were derived in question 2 part b).

c) Below we plot $f(x) = \exp(x)$, on the interval $[0, 1]$, (left), the odd extension $\tilde{f}_{odd}(x)$ on the interval $[-1, 1]$ (middle), and the Fourier sine series associated with the periodic extension $\tilde{f}_{odd}(x)$ (right).



5. The standard Fourier Series is,

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

If $g(x)$ is *even* on $[-L, L]$ we have the property that,

$$\int_{-L}^0 g(x) dx = \int_0^L g(x) dx.$$

Since $\cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$ is an even function, the product $g(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$ is also even.

Hence, applying the definitions for the Fourier coefficients, we obtain,

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L g(x) dx = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^0 g(x) dx + \frac{1}{2L} \int_0^L g(x) dx = \frac{2}{2L} \int_0^L g(x) dx = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L g(x) dx,$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L g(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^0 g(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx + \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L g(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L g(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx.$$

Now, for any *odd* function $h(x)$ on the interval $[-L, L]$, we have,

$$\int_{-L}^0 h(x) dx = - \int_0^L h(x) dx.$$

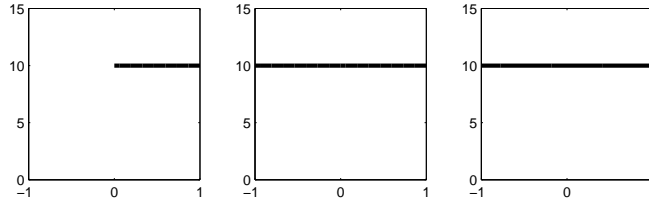
Since the function $\sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$ is odd, when $g(x)$ is even, the product, $g(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$ is also odd. Hence, the remaining Fourier coefficients are,

$$b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L g(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^0 g(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx + \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L g(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx = 0.$$

The resulting Fourier series has no ‘sine’ terms and takes the form

$$a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right).$$

6. a) Below we plot $f(x) = 10$, on the interval $[0, 1]$, (left), the even extension $\tilde{f}_{even}(x)$ on the interval $[-1, 1]$ (middle), and the Fourier cosine series associated with the periodic extension $\tilde{f}_{even}(x)$ (right).

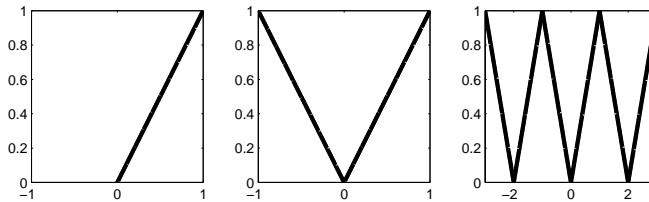


The Fourier cosine series of \tilde{f}_{even} is therefore trivial. We have, $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \cos(n\pi x)$ with

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{1} \int_0^1 10 dx = 10, \quad a_n = \frac{2}{1} \int_0^1 \cos(n\pi x) dx = 0 \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

Note: compare the Fourier sine and cosine series associated with the periodic extension of the odd, and even extensions (respectively) of $f(x) = 10$. The answers are very different!

- b) Below we plot $f(x) = x$, on the interval $[0, 1]$, (left), the even extension $\tilde{f}_{even}(x)$ to the interval $[-1, 1]$ (middle), and the Fourier cosine series associated with the periodic extension $\tilde{f}_{even}(x)$ (right). To compute the coefficients of the Fourier cosine series,



$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \cos(n\pi x),$$

we integrate by parts to obtain, $a_0 = \frac{1}{1} \int_0^1 x dx = \frac{1}{2}$ and,

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

- c) Below we plot $f(x) = \exp(x)$, on the interval $[0, 1]$, (left), the even extension \tilde{f}_{even} to the interval $[-1, 1]$ (middle), and the Fourier cosine series associated with the periodic extension $\tilde{f}_{even}(x)$ (right).

