



1. Explain periodic function with two examples.

Solution: A function $f(x)$ is said to have a period T if for all x , $f(x + T) = f(x)$,

Where T is a positive constant. The least value of $T > 0$ is called the period of $f(x)$.

For examples, $f(x) = \sin x$

$$f(x + 2\pi) = \sin(x + 2\pi) = \sin x$$

Here, $f(x) = f(x + 2\pi)$

2. State Dirichlet's condition for a given function to expand in Fourier series.

Solution: Any function $f(x)$ can be developed as a Fourier series, provided

- i) $f(x)$ is periodic, single valued & finite.
- ii) $f(x)$ has a finite number of discontinuities in any one period
- iii) $f(x)$ has a finite number of maxima and minima

3. State general Fourier series.

solution: The Fourier series of $f(x)$ in $c \leq x \leq c + 2l$ is

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

Where a_0 , a_n & b_n are called Fourier coefficients (or) Euler constants

4. Find the coefficient of b_n of $\cos 5x$ in the Fourier cosine series of the function

$f(x) = \sin 5x$ in the interval $(0, \pi)$.

Solution: The Fourier Cosine series is

$$\begin{aligned}
b_n &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \cos 5x \cos nx dx \\
&= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} [\cos(5+n)x + \cos(5-n)x] dx \\
&= \frac{2}{\pi} \left[\frac{\sin(5+n)x}{5+n} + \frac{\sin(5-n)x}{5-n} \right]_0^{\pi} = 0; \text{ Therefore, } b_n = 0
\end{aligned}$$

5. Find the constant a_0 of the Fourier series for the function of $f(x) = x$ in $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$

Solution:

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} x dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \left(\frac{x^2}{2} \right)_0^{2\pi} = 2\pi$$

6. Obtain the first term of the Fourier series for the function $f(x) = x^2$, $-\pi < x < \pi$.

Solution:

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x^2 dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \left(\frac{x^3}{3} \right)_0^{\pi} = \frac{2}{3} \pi^2$$

7. If $f(x) = x^3$, $-\pi < x < \pi$. Find the constant term of its Fourier series.

Solution:

$f(x) = x^3$, is an odd function. Therefore, the fourier constants $a_0 = 0$

8. Find the constant term in the Fourier series expansion of $f(x) = x$ in $(-\pi, \pi)$

Solution:

$a_0 = 0$ since $f(x)$ is an odd function $(-\pi, \pi)$

9. Find the sum of the Fourier series of $f(x) = x + x^2$ in $-\pi < x < \pi$ at $x = \pi$.

Solution:

Given $f(x) = x + x^2$

The sum of Fourier series is equal to the arithmetic mean of the value of $f(x)$ at $x = \pi$ and $x = -\pi$.

$$\text{Sum of Fourier series} = \frac{f(\pi) + f(-\pi)}{2} = \frac{\pi + \pi^2 - \pi + \pi^2}{2} = \pi^2$$

10. What is the constant term a_0 and the coefficient of $\cos nx$, a_n in the Fourier series of $f(x) = x - x^3$ in $(-\pi, \pi)$.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) = x - x^3 &\Rightarrow f(-x) = -x + x^3 \\ &= -(x - x^3) = -f(x) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $f(x)$ is an odd function of x in $(-\pi, \pi)$. Therefore, the Fourier series of $f(x)$ contains sine terms only. Therefore, $a_0 = 0$ and $a_n = 0$

11. Find the root mean square value of the function $f(x) = x^2$ in the interval $(0, 1)$.

Solution:

$$\text{RMS value} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{1} \int_0^1 x^2 dx} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{1} \left(\frac{x^3}{3} \right)_0^1} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{1} \left[\frac{1^3}{3} \right]} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

22. Define root mean square value of a function $f(x)$ in $a < x < b$.

Solution:

$$\text{R.M.S. value } \bar{y} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b [f(x)]^2 dx}$$

23. State Parseval's identity for full range expansion of $f(x)$ as Fourier series in $(0, 2l)$.

Solution:

$$\frac{1}{l} \int_0^{2l} (f(x))^2 dx = \frac{a_0^2}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n^2 + b_n^2) \text{ where } a_0, a_n \text{ and } b_n \text{ are}$$

Fourier coefficients in the expansion of $f(x)$ as a Fourier series .

25. What do you mean by Harmonic Analysis?

Solution:

The process of finding the Fourier series for a function given by numerical value is known as harmonic analysis. In harmonic analysis

$$a_0 = 2 \text{ (mean value of } y \text{ in } (0, 2\pi))$$

$$a_n = 2 \text{ (mean value of } y \cos nx \text{ in } (0, 2\pi))$$

$$b_n = 2 \text{ (mean value of } y \sin nx \text{ in } (0, 2\pi))$$