

## TUTORIAL-6: B.Tech. Sem II, Mathematics-II (Fourier Series)

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**Preamble:** (i)  $\int e^{ax} \sin bx \, dx = \frac{e^{ax}}{a^2+b^2}(a \sin bx - b \cos bx) + c$

(ii)  $\int e^{ax} \cos bx \, dx = \frac{e^{ax}}{a^2+b^2}(a \cos bx + b \sin bx) + c$

(iii)  $\int u v \, dx = uv_1 - u'v_2 + u''v_3 - u'''v_4 + \dots$ ,  $u, v$  are functions of  $x$  and dashes denote differentiation and suffixes denote integration with respect to  $x$

(iv) Fourier series for  $f(x)$  in  $c \leq x \leq c + 2\pi$  is  $f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin nx$ ,

where  $a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_c^{c+2\pi} f(x) \, dx$ ,  $a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_c^{c+2\pi} f(x) \cos nx \, dx$

,  $b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_c^{c+2\pi} f(x) \sin nx \, dx$

(v) Fourier series for  $f(x)$  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  $a_0 = \frac{1}{l} \int_c^{c+2l} f(x) \, dx$ ,  $a_n = \frac{1}{l} \int_c^{c+2l} f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{l} \, dx$

,  $b_n = \frac{1}{l} \int_c^{c+2l} f(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l} \, dx$

(vi) The half range cosine series in  $0 \leq x \leq l$  is  $f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{l}$

where  $a_0 = \frac{2}{l} \int_0^l f(x) \, dx$ ,  $a_n = \frac{2}{l} \int_0^l f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{l} \, dx$

, and half range sine series in  $0 \leq x \leq l$  is  $f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l}$  where  $b_n = \frac{2}{l} \int_0^l f(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l} \, dx$

Q.1 Express  $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}(\pi - x)$  in a Fourier series in the interval  $0 < x < 2\pi$ .

Deduce that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4n^2-1} = 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \dots$

Ans:

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin nx}{n}$$

Q.2 Find the Fourier series to represent the function  $f(x) = |\sin x|$ ,  $-\pi < x < \pi$ .

Ans:

$$|\sin x| = \frac{2}{\pi} - \frac{4}{\pi} \left( \frac{\cos 2x}{3} + \frac{\cos 4x}{15} + \dots, \frac{\cos 2nx}{4n^2-1} + \dots \right)$$

Q.3 Express  $f(x) = |x|$ ,  $-\pi < x < \pi$ , as a Fourier series. Hence show that

$$\frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \dots = \frac{\pi^2}{8}. \quad \text{Ans:}$$

$$|x| = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{4}{\pi} \left( \cos x + \frac{\cos 3x}{3^2} + \frac{\cos 5x}{5^2} + \dots \right)$$

Q.4 Find the Fourier series for function Hence show that **Ans:**

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

Q.5 Expand the function  $f(x) = x \sin x$  as a Fourier series in the interval  $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$ .

**Ans:**

$$x \sin x = 1 - \frac{1}{2} \cos x - 2 \left( \frac{\cos 2x}{2^2-1} - \frac{\cos 3x}{3^2-1} + \frac{\cos 4x}{4^2-1} - \dots \right)$$

Q.6 Find the Fourier series to represent the function  $f(x) = \{ \}$ . Also deduce that

$$\frac{\pi}{4} = 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \dots$$

$$\text{Ans: } f(x) = \frac{4k}{\pi} \left( \sin x + \frac{\sin 3x}{3} + \frac{\sin 5x}{5} + \dots \right)$$

Q.7 Find the Fourier series of  $f(x) = \{ \}$  which is assumed to be periodic with period  $2\pi$ .

$$\text{Ans: } f(x) = \frac{-\pi}{2} + \frac{4}{\pi} \left( \frac{\cos x}{1^2} + \frac{\cos 3x}{3^2} + \dots \right) + 4 \left( \frac{\sin x}{1} + \frac{\sin 3x}{3} + \dots \right)$$

Q.8 Obtain Fourier series for function

$$\text{Ans: } \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{4}{\pi} \leq \left( \frac{\cos \pi x}{1^2} + \frac{\cos 3\pi x}{3^2} + \frac{\cos 5\pi x}{5^2} + \dots \right)$$

Q.9 Find the Fourier series to represent  $f(x) = x^2 - 2$ ,  $-2 \leq x \leq 2$ .

**Ans:**

$$x^2 - 2 = -\frac{2}{3} - \frac{16}{\pi^2} \left( \cos \frac{\pi x}{2} - \frac{1}{4} \cos \pi x + \frac{1}{9} \cos \frac{3\pi x}{2} - \dots \right)$$

Q.10 Obtain the half range sine series for  $f(x) = e^x$ ,  $0 < x < 1$ . **Ans:**

$$e^x = 2\pi \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n[1-e(-1)^n]}{1+n^2\pi^2} \sin n\pi x$$

Q.11 Express  $\sin x$  as a cosine series in  $0 < x < \pi$ .

$$\text{Ans: } \sin x = \frac{2}{\pi} - \frac{4}{\pi} \left( \frac{\cos 2x}{1.3} + \frac{\cos 4x}{3.5} + \frac{\cos 6x}{5.7} + \dots \right)$$

Q.12 Obtain the half-range sine series for the function  $f(x) = x^2$  in the interval  $(0, 3)$ .

$$\text{Ans: } f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \frac{\sin n\pi x}{3}, \text{ where } b_n = \frac{18}{n\pi} (-1)^{n+1} + \frac{36}{n^3\pi^3} [(-1)^n - 1]$$