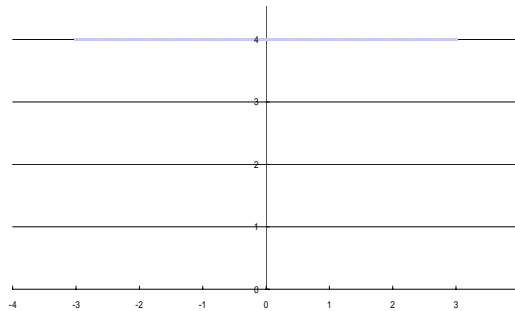


1) Let $f(x) = 4$, $-3 \leq x \leq 3$, plot the function and find its Fourier series on $[-3, 3]$

(Section 13.2 Problems 1.)

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(1)



Graph of $f(x) = 4$, $-3 \leq x \leq 3$

(2)

The Fourier series of $f(x) = 4$ on $[-3, 3]$ is

$$\frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{3}\right) + b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{3}\right) \right]$$

Step1: $f(-x) = 4 = f(x)$ so $f(x)$ is even.

Step2: Since $f(x)$ is even and $\sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{3}\right)$ is odd, $f(x)\sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{3}\right)$ is odd and

hence

$$b_n = \frac{1}{3} \int_{-3}^3 f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{3}\right) dx = 0$$

Step3: Since $f(x)$ is even and $\cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{3}\right)$ is even, $f(x)\cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{3}\right)$ is even and

hence

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

Therefore,

$$a_0 = \frac{2}{3} \int_0^3 4 dx = 8, \quad a_n = \frac{2}{3} \int_0^3 4 \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{3}\right) dx = 0$$

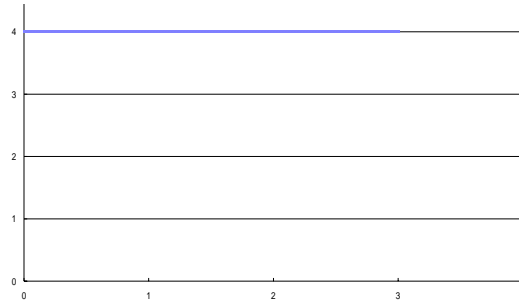
Step4: Therefore, the Fourier series is then 4.

2) Let $f(x) = 4$, $0 \leq x \leq 3$, plot the function and find its Fourier cosine series and Fourier sine series, respectively.

(Section 13.4 Problems 1.)

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(1)



Graph of $f(x) = 4$, $0 \leq x \leq 3$

(2)

$$\text{a) } f(x) = 4, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 3, \text{ then } f_e(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) = 4 & \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq 3 \\ f(-x) = 4 & \text{for } -3 \leq x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

$f_e(x)$ is the even extension of $f(x)$ to $[-3, 3]$. Because $f_e(x)$ is an even function on $[-3, 3]$, its Fourier series on $[-3, 3]$ is $\frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{3}\right)$

Thus,

$$a_0 = \frac{2}{3} \int_0^3 4 dx = 8, \quad a_n = \frac{2}{3} \int_0^3 4 \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{3}\right) dx = 0$$

Therefore, the Fourier series is then 4. This function is its own Fourier cosine expansion converging to 4 for $0 \leq x \leq 3$.

$$\text{b) } f(x) = 4, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 3, \text{ then } f_o(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) = 4 & \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq 3 \\ -f(-x) = -4 & \text{for } -3 \leq x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

$f_o(x)$ is the odd extension of $f(x)$ to $[-3, 3]$. Because $f_o(x)$ is an odd function on $[-3, 3]$, its Fourier series on $[-3, 3]$ is $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{3}\right)$

Thus,

$$b_n = \frac{1}{3} \int_{-3}^3 f_o(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{3}\right) dx = \frac{2}{3} \int_0^3 4 \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{3}\right) dx = -\frac{8}{3} \left[\frac{3}{n\pi} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{3}\right) \right]_0^3$$

$$= -\frac{8}{3} \left[\frac{3}{n\pi} ((-1)^n - 1) \right]$$

If n is even (i.e. $2n$) $\rightarrow b_n = 0$

$$\text{If } n \text{ is odd (i.e. } 2n-1) \rightarrow b_n = \frac{16}{\pi} \frac{1}{2n-1}$$

Therefore, the Fourier series is then $\frac{16}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n-1} \sin\left(\frac{(2n-1)\pi x}{3}\right)$. Note that, it converges to 0 if $x=0$ or $x=3$, and to 4 for $0 < x < 3$.