

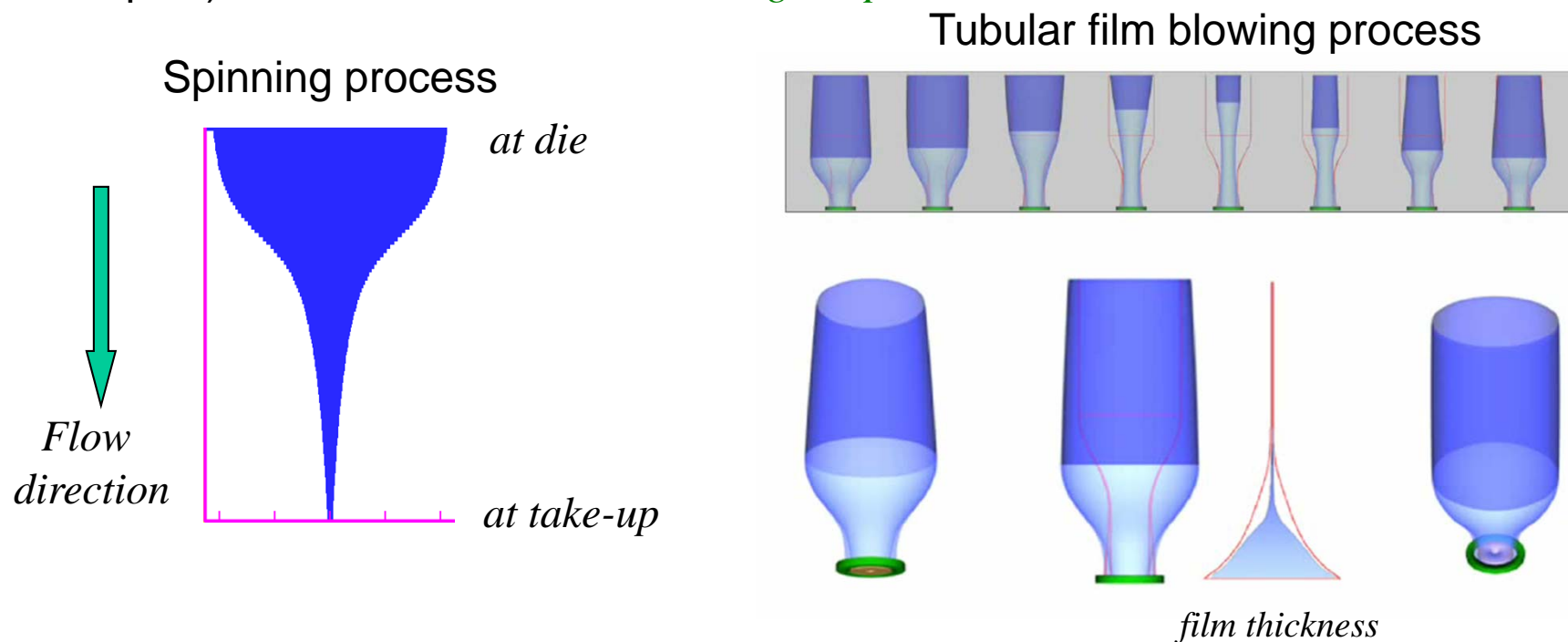
# Chap. 10. Fourier Series, Integrals, and Transforms

- Fourier series: series of cosine and sine terms
  - for general periodic functions (even discontinuous periodic func.)
  - for ODE, PDE problems

*(more universal than Taylor series)*

## 10.1. Periodic Functions. Trigonometric Series

- Periodic function:  $f(x+p) = f(x)$  for all  $x$ ; period= $p$
- Examples) *Periodic instabilities in rheological processes*



-  $f(x + np) = f(x)$  for all  $x$  ( $n$ : integer)

-  $h(x) = af(x) + bg(x)$  ( $f$  &  $g$  with period  $p$ ;  $a$  &  $b$ : constants)  $\rightarrow$   $h(x)$  with period  $p$ .

## Trigonometric Series

- Trigonometric series of function  $f(x)$  with period  $p=2\pi$ :

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1 \cos x + b_1 \sin x + a_2 \cos 2x + b_2 \sin 2x + \dots \quad (a_k, b_k: \text{constant coefficients})$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{These series converge,} \\ \text{its sum will be a function of period } 2\pi \\ \rightarrow \text{Fourier Series} \end{array}$$

## 10.2. Fourier Series

- Representation of periodic function  $f(x)$  in terms of cosine and sine functions

### Euler Formulas for the Fourier Coefficients

$$f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx) \quad (\text{Periodic function of period } 2\pi)$$

### (1) Determination of the coefficient term $a_0$

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left[ a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx) \right] dx$$
$$= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} a_0 dx + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( a_n \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos nx dx + b_n \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin nx dx \right) = 2\pi a_0$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx$$

### (2) Determination of the coefficients $a_n$ of the cosine terms

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos mx dx = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left[ a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx) \right] \cos mx dx$$
$$= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} a_0 \cos mx dx + \left[ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \left( \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos(n+m)x dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos(n-m)x dx \right) \right]$$

**(Except  $n=m$ )**

$$+ \left[ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \left( \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin(n+m)x dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin(n-m)x dx \right) \right]$$

$$a_m = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos mx dx \quad (m = 1, 2, 3, \dots)$$

### (3) Determination of the coefficients $b_n$ of the cosine terms

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin mx \, dx = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left[ a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx) \right] \sin mx \, dx$$

$$b_m = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin mx \, dx \quad (m = 1, 2, 3, \dots)$$

### Summary of These Calculations: Fourier Coefficients, Fourier Series

**Fourier Coefficients:**  $a_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \, dx$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx \, dx \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots)$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx \, dx \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots)$$

**Fourier Series:**  $f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx)$

### Ex.1) Rectangular Wave

$$f(x) = -k \quad (-\pi < x < 0) \quad \& \quad k \quad (0 < x < \pi); \quad f(x+2\pi) = f(x)$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \, dx = 0$$

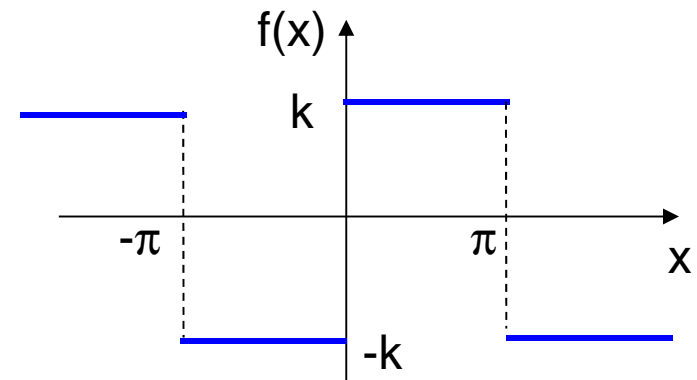
$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx \, dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{-\pi}^0 (-k) \cos nx \, dx + \int_0^{\pi} (k) \cos nx \, dx \right] = 0$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx \, dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{-\pi}^0 (-k) \sin nx \, dx + \int_0^{\pi} (k) \sin nx \, dx \right] = \frac{2k}{n\pi} (1 - \cos n\pi)$$

$$\left( b_1 = \frac{4k}{\pi}, b_2 = 0, b_3 = \frac{4k}{3\pi}, b_4 = 0, b_5 = \frac{4k}{5\pi}, \dots \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = \frac{4k}{\pi} \left( \sin x + \frac{1}{3} \sin 3x + \frac{1}{5} \sin 5x + \dots \right)$$

(See Figure. 238 for partial sums of Fourier series )



## Orthogonality of the Trigonometric System

- Trigonometric system is *orthogonal* on the interval  $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos mx \cos nx \, dx = 0 \quad (m \neq n), \quad \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin mx \sin nx \, dx = 0 \quad (m \neq n)$$

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos mx \sin nx \, dx = 0 \quad (\text{including } m = n)$$

*At discontinuous point, Fourier series converge to the average,  $(f(x+) + f(x-))/2$*

## Convergence and Sum of Fourier Series

**Theorem 1:** A periodic function  $f(x)$  (period  $2\pi$ ,  $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$ )

~ piecewise continuous

~ with a left-hand derivative and right-hand derivative at each point

→ Fourier series of  $f(x)$  is convergent. Its sum is  $f(x)$ .

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx \, dx = \frac{f(x) \sin nx}{n\pi} \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} - \frac{1}{n\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f'(x) \sin nx \, dx$$

$$= \frac{f'(x) \cos nx}{n^2 \pi} \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} - \frac{1}{n^2 \pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f''(x) \cos nx \, dx \quad (|f''(x)| < M)$$

$$|a_n| = \frac{1}{n^2 \pi} \left| \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f''(x) \cos nx \, dx \right| < \frac{1}{n^2 \pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} M \, dx = \frac{2M}{n^2}, \quad |b_n| = \frac{2M}{n^2}$$

**Convergent!**  $|f(x)| \sim |a_0| + 2M \left( 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \dots \right)$

### 10.3. Functions of Any Period $p=2L$

- Transition from period  $p=2\pi$  to period  $p=2L$
- Function  $f(x)$  with period  $p=2L$ :

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

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) dx, \quad a_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots)$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots)$$

$$v = \frac{n\pi}{L} (-\pi \leq v \leq \pi) \Leftrightarrow x = \frac{Lv}{\pi} (-L \leq x \leq L)$$

$$f(x) \rightarrow g(v)$$

$$g(v) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nv + b_n \sin nv)$$

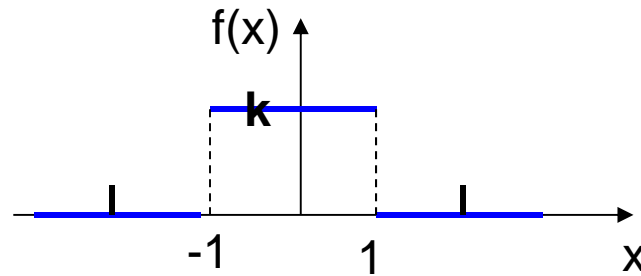
$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} g(v) dv, \quad a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} g(v) \cos nv dv \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots)$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(v) \sin nv dv \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots)$$

**Ex.1)** Periodic square wave

$$f(x) = 0 \quad (-2 < x < -1); \quad k \quad (-1 < x < 1); \quad 0 \quad (1 < x < 2)$$

$$p=2L=4, \quad L=2$$



$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) dx = \frac{1}{4} \int_{-1}^1 k dx = \frac{k}{2}, \quad a_n = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 k \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right) dx = \frac{2k}{n\pi} \sin \frac{n\pi}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n = \frac{2k}{n\pi} \quad (n = 1, 5, 9, \dots), \quad a_n = -\frac{2k}{n\pi} \quad (n = 3, 7, 11, \dots)$$

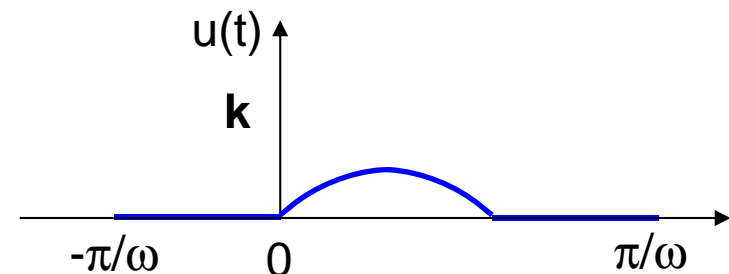
$$b_n = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 k \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right) dx = 0$$

$$f(x) = \frac{k}{2} + \frac{2k}{\pi} \left( \cos \frac{\pi}{2} x - \frac{1}{3} \cos \frac{3\pi}{2} x + \frac{1}{5} \cos \frac{5\pi}{2} x - \dots \right)$$

**Ex. 2)** Half-wave rectifier

$$u(t) = 0 \quad (-L < t < 0); \quad E \sin \omega t \quad (0 < t < L)$$

$$p = 2L = 2\pi/\omega$$





## 10.4. Even and Odd Functions. Half-Range Expansions

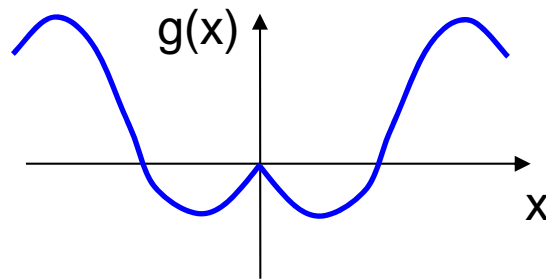
- If a function is even or odd  $\rightarrow$  more compact form of Fourier series

### Even and Odd Functions

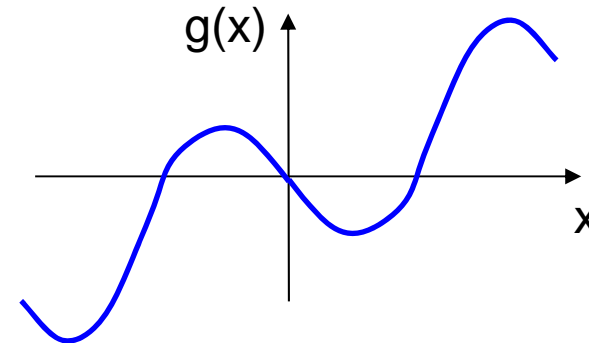
Even function  $y=g(x)$ :  $g(-x) = g(x)$  for all  $x$  (symmetric w.r.t. y-axis)

Odd function  $y=g(x)$ :  $g(-x) = -g(x)$  for all  $x$

**Even function**



**Odd function**



### Three Key Facts

(1) For even function,  $g(x)$ ,  $\int_{-L}^L g(x)dx = 2\int_0^L g(x)dx$

(2) For odd function,  $h(x)$ ,  $\int_{-L}^L h(x)dx = 0$

(3) Production of an even and an odd function  $\rightarrow$  odd function

let  $q(x) = g(x)h(x)$ , then  $q(-x) = g(-x)h(-x) = -g(x)h(x) = -q(x)$

In the Fourier series,

$f(x)$  even  $\rightarrow f(x)\sin(n\pi x/L)$  odd, then  $b_n=0$

$f(x)$  odd  $\rightarrow f(x)\cos(n\pi x/L)$  odd, then  $a_0$  &  $a_n=0$

**Theorem 1: Fourier cosine series, Fourier sine series**

(1) Fourier cosine series for **even** function with period  $2L$

$$f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \quad \left( a_0 = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L f(x) dx, a_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots) \right)$$

For even function with period  $2\pi$

$$f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos(nx) \quad \left( a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) dx, a_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) \cos(nx) dx \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots) \right)$$

(2) Fourier sine series for **odd** function with period  $2L$

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \quad \left( b_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots) \right)$$

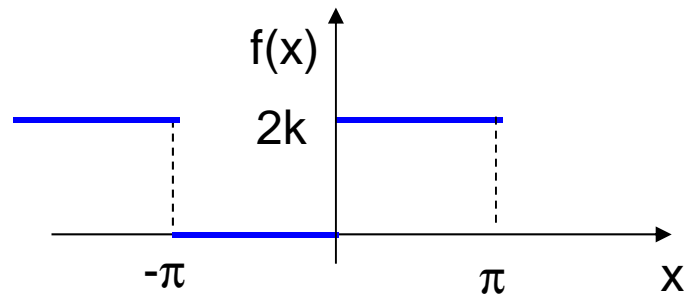
For odd function with period  $2\pi$

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin(nx) \quad \left( b_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) \sin(nx) dx \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots) \right)$$

## Theorem 2: Sum of functions

- Fourier coefficients of a sum of  $f_1 + f_2$   
 → sums of the corresponding Fourier coefficients of  $f_1$  and  $f_2$ .
- Fourier coefficients of  $cf$  →  $c$  times the corresponding coefficients of  $f$ .

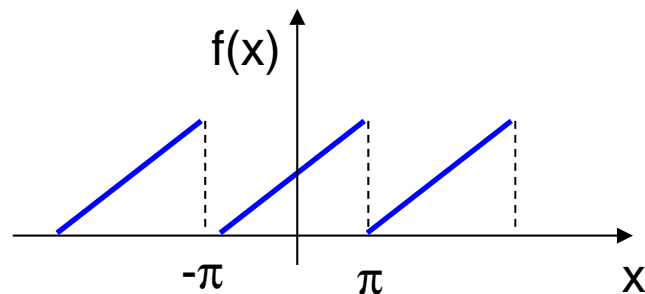
### Ex. 1) Rectangular pulse



$$\Rightarrow f(x) = \frac{4k}{\pi} \left( \sin x + \frac{1}{3} \sin 3x + \frac{1}{5} \sin 5x + \dots \right) + k$$

↑  
*previous result by Ex.1 in 10.2*

### Ex. 2) Sawtooth wave: $f(x) = x + \pi$ ( $-\pi < x < \pi$ ) and $f(x + \pi) = f(x)$



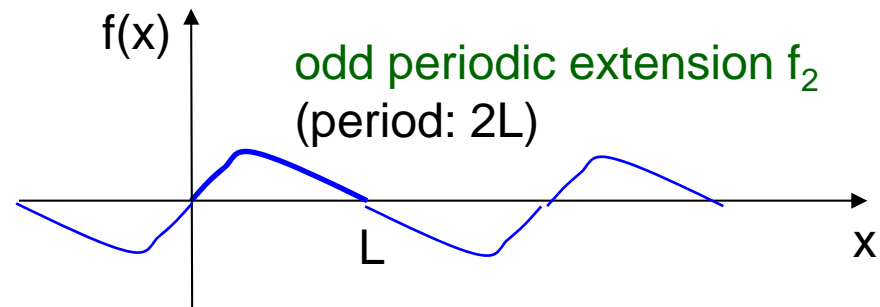
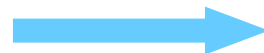
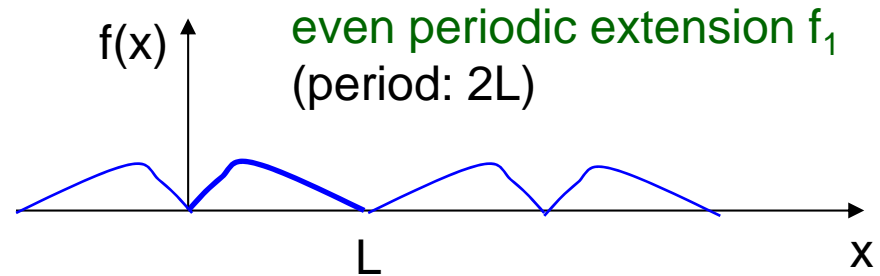
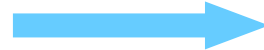
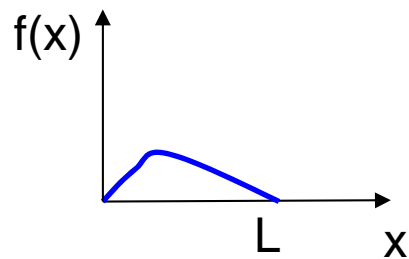
$$f = f_1 + f_2 \quad (f_1 = x, f_2 = \pi)$$

for  $f_2 = \pi$ : →  $\pi$

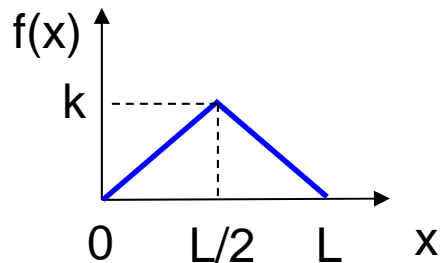
$$\text{for odd } f_1 = x \rightarrow b_n = -\frac{2}{\pi} \cos n\pi$$

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

## Half-Range Expansions



**Ex. 1)** “Triangle” and its-half-range expansions



$$f(x) = \frac{2k}{L}x \quad 0 < x < \frac{L}{2}; \quad \frac{2k}{L}(L-x) \quad \frac{L}{2} < x < L$$

(a) Even periodic extension: use  $f(x) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$

(b) Odd periodic extension: use  $f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$

## 10.7. Approximation by Trigonometric Polynomials

- Fourier series ~ applied to *approximation theory*  $f(x) \approx a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^N (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx)$
- Trigonometric polynomial of degree N:

$$F(x) = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^N (A_n \cos nx + B_n \sin nx) \quad (\text{Minimize the error by usage of the } F(x) !)$$

- Total square error:  $E = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (f - F)^2 dx$

- Determination of the coefficients of F(x) for minimum E

$$E = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f^2 dx - 2 \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} fF dx + \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} F^2 dx$$

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} F^2 dx = \pi(2A_0^2 + A_1^2 + \dots + A_N^2 + B_1^2 + \dots + B_N^2)$$

$$\left( \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos^2 nx dx = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin^2 nx dx = \pi; \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (\cos nx)(\sin mx) dx = 0 \right)$$

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} fF dx = \pi(2A_0 a_0 + A_1 a_1 + \dots + A_N a_N + B_1 b_1 + \dots + B_N b_N)$$

$$\left( a_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx, a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx dx, \dots \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow E = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f^2 dx - 2\pi \left[ 2A_0 a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^N (A_n a_n + B_n b_n) \right] + \pi \left[ 2A_0^2 + \sum_{n=1}^N (A_n^2 + B_n^2) \right]$$

$$E^* = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f^2 dx - \pi \left[ 2a_0^2 + \sum_{n=1}^N (a_n^0 + b_n^0) \right] \text{ when } A_n = a_n, B_n = b_n$$

$$E - E^* = \pi \left[ 2(A_0 - a_0)^2 + \sum_{n=1}^N ((A_n - a_n)^2 + (B_n - b_n)^2) \right] \quad \mathbf{(E - E^* \geq 0)}$$

### **Theorem 1: Minimum square error**

- Total square error, E, is minimum iff coefficients of F are the Fourier coefficients of f.
- Minimum value is E\*
  
- From E\*, better approximation as N increases

**Bessel inequality:**  $2a_0^2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n^0 + b_n^0) \leq \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f^2 dx$  for any f(x)

**Parseval's equality:**  $2a_0^2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n^0 + b_n^0) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f^2 dx$

**Ex. 1)** Square error for the sawtooth wave