

## Section 11.3: Fourier Cosine and Sine Series

If  $f$  is even on  $(-p, p)$ , then the Fourier series of  $f$  has only constant and cosine terms. Moreover

$$f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{p}\right)$$

where

$$a_0 = \frac{2}{p} \int_0^p f(x) dx$$

and

$$a_n = \frac{2}{p} \int_0^p f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{p}\right) dx.$$

# Fourier Series of an Odd Function

If  $f$  is odd on  $(-p, p)$ , then the Fourier series of  $f$  has only sine terms. Moreover

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{p}\right)$$

where

$$b_n = \frac{2}{p} \int_0^p f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{p}\right) dx.$$

## Half Range Sine and Half Range Cosine Series

Suppose  $f$  is only defined for  $0 < x < p$ . We can **extend**  $f$  to the left, to the interval  $(-p, 0)$ , as either an even function, or as an odd function. Then we can express  $f$  with **two distinct** series:

$$\text{Half range cosine series} \quad f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{p}\right)$$

$$\text{where} \quad a_0 = \frac{2}{p} \int_0^p f(x) dx \quad \text{and} \quad a_n = \frac{2}{p} \int_0^p f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{p}\right) dx.$$

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$$\text{Half range sine series} \quad f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{p}\right)$$

$$\text{where} \quad b_n = \frac{2}{p} \int_0^p f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{p}\right) dx.$$

## Find the Half Range Sine Series of $f$

$$f(x) = 2 - x, \quad 0 < x < 2 \quad \text{here } p=2$$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{2} \int_0^2 f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right) dx$$

$$= \int_0^2 (2-x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right) dx$$

By parts

$$u = 2-x, \quad du = -dx$$

$$= \left. \frac{-2}{n\pi} (2-x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right) \right|_0^2 - \frac{2}{n\pi} \int_0^2 \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right) dx$$

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$$dv = \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right) dx$$

$$v = \frac{-2}{n\pi} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right)$$

$$= \frac{-2}{n\pi} \left[ (2-2) \cos(n\pi) - 2 \cos 0 \right] = \frac{4}{n\pi}$$

The half range sine series is

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right)$$

## Find the Half Range Cosine Series of $f$

$$f(x) = 2 - x, \quad 0 < x < 2$$

$$a_0 = \frac{2}{2} \int_0^2 f(x) dx = \int_0^2 (2-x) dx = \left[ 2x - \frac{x^2}{2} \right]_0^2 = 4 - \frac{4}{2} = 2$$

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

$$= \frac{2}{n\pi} (2-x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right) \Big|_0^2 + \frac{2}{n\pi} \int_0^2 \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right) dx$$

$u = 2 - x \quad du = -dx$   
 $dv = \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right) dx$   
 $v = \frac{2}{n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right)$

*Note: A blue arrow points from the  $\sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right)$  term in the first part of the equation to a blue '0' written below it.*

$$= -\left(\frac{2}{n\pi}\right)^2 \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right) \Big|_0^2$$

$$= \frac{-4}{n^2 \pi^2} [\cos(n\pi) - \cos 0]$$

$$= \frac{4}{n^2 \pi^2} (1 - (-1)^n)$$

The half range cosine Series is

$$f(x) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4}{n^2 \pi^2} (1 - (-1)^n) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2}\right).$$



## Plots of $f$ with Half range series

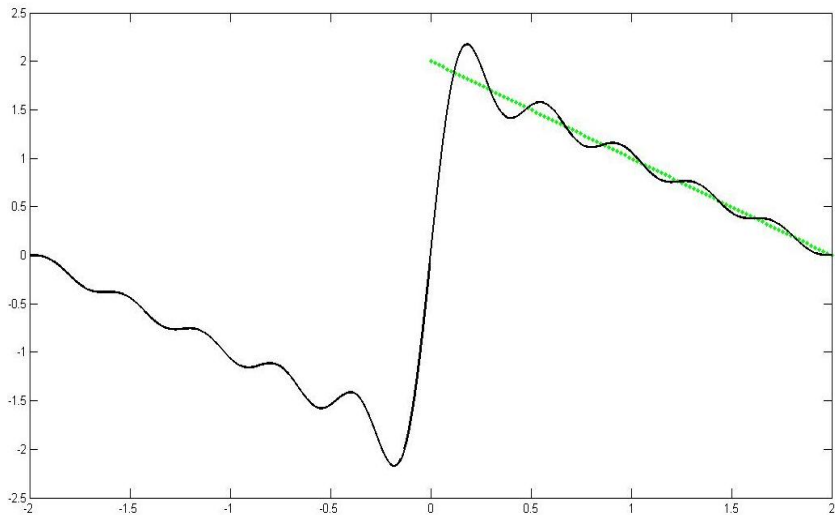
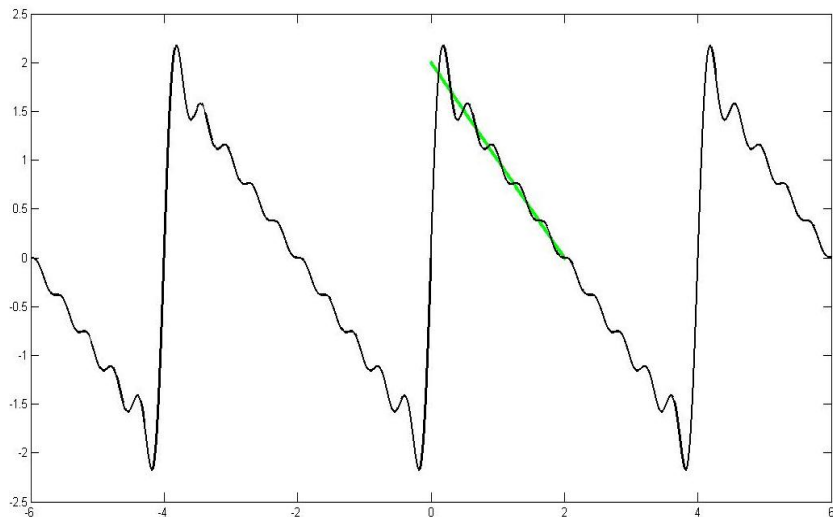


Figure:  $f(x) = 2 - x$ ,  $0 < x < 2$  with 10 terms of the sine series.

## Plots of $f$ with Half range series



**Figure:**  $f(x) = 2 - x$ ,  $0 < x < 2$  with 10 terms of the sine series, and the series plotted over  $(-6, 6)$

## Plots of $f$ with Half range series

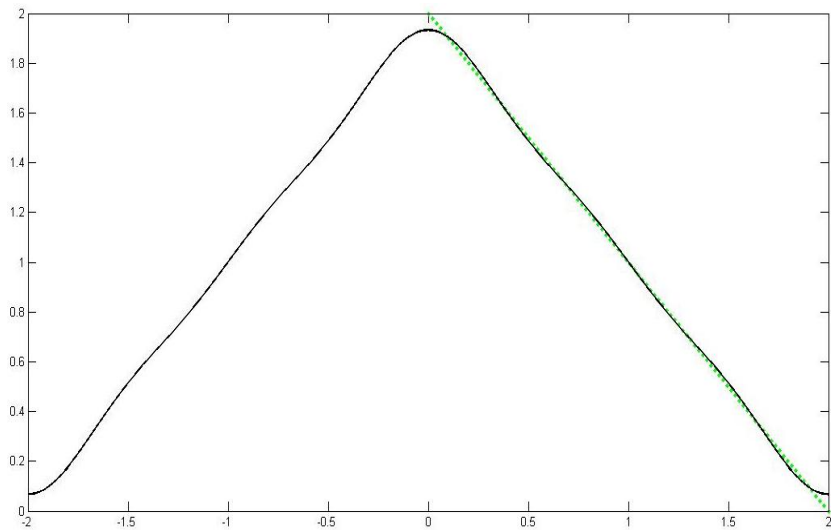
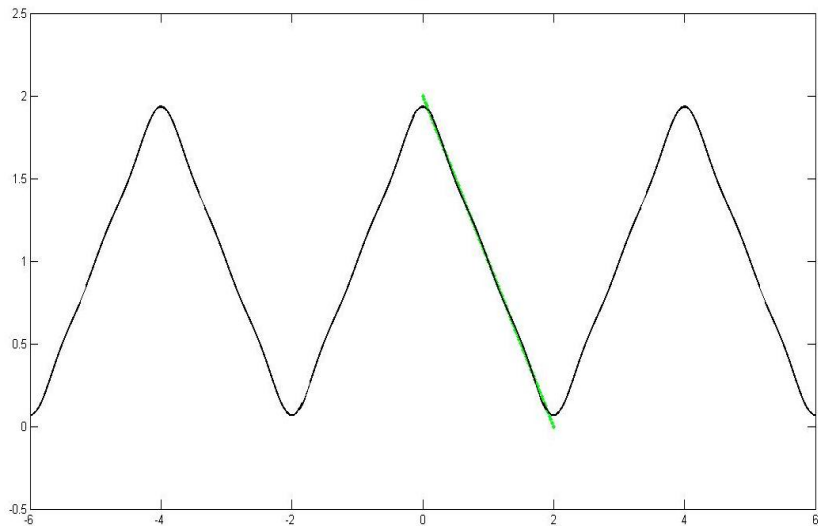


Figure:  $f(x) = 2 - x$ ,  $0 < x < 2$  with 5 terms of the cosine series.

## Plots of $f$ with Half range series



**Figure:**  $f(x) = 2 - x$ ,  $0 < x < 2$  with 5 terms of the cosine series, and the series plotted over  $(-6, 6)$