

1. Obtain the Fourier expansion of  $x \sin x$  as a cosine series in  $[0, \pi)$  and hence deduce the value of

$$1 + \frac{2}{1 \cdot 3} - \frac{2}{3 \cdot 5} + \frac{2}{5 \cdot 7} - \dots$$

The Fourier cosine series of  $f(x)$  in  $[0, \pi)$  is

$$f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx.$$

To find  $a_0$ :

$$a_0 = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x \sin x \, dx$$

$$u = x$$

$$u' = 1$$

$$u'' = 0$$

$$v = \sin x$$

$$v_1 = -\cos x \, dx$$

$$v_2 = -\sin x$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 &= \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ -x \cos x + \sin x \right]_0^{\pi} \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ -\pi \cos \pi + \sin \pi + 0 - \sin 0 \right] \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ \pi \right] = 2. \end{aligned}$$

To find  $a_n$ :

$$a_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx \, dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x \sin x \cos nx \, dx.$$

$$\sin x \cos nx = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sin(1+n)x + \sin(1-n)x \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x \sin(1+n)x \, dx + \int_0^{\pi} x \sin(1-n)x \, dx$$

$$u = x$$

$$u' = 1$$

$$u'' = 0$$

$$v = \sin(1+n)x$$

$$v_1 = \frac{-\cos(1+n)x}{1+n}$$

$$v_2 = \frac{-\sin(1+n)x}{(1+n)^2}$$

$$u = x$$

$$u' = 1$$

$$u'' = 0$$

$$v = \sin(1-n)x$$

$$v_1 = \frac{-\cos(1-n)x}{1-n}$$

$$v_2 = \frac{-\sin(1-n)x}{(1-n)^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \left( -x \frac{\cos(1+n)x}{1+n} + \frac{\sin(1+n)x}{(1+n)^2} \right) \Big|_0^\pi + \left( -x \frac{\cos(1-n)x}{1-n} + \frac{\sin(1-n)x}{(1-n)^2} \right) \Big|_0^\pi \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{-\pi \cos(1+n)\pi}{1+n} - \frac{\pi \cos(1-n)\pi}{1-n} \right]$$

$$= - \left[ \frac{\cos(1+n)\pi}{1+n} - \frac{\cos(1-n)\pi}{1-n} \right]$$

$$= - \left[ \frac{\cos \pi \cos n\pi - \sin \pi \sin n\pi}{1+n} - \frac{\cos \pi \cos n\pi + \sin \pi \sin n\pi}{1-n} \right]$$

$$= - \left[ \frac{(-1)(-1)^n + 0}{1+n} + \frac{(-1)(-1)^n - 0}{1-n} \right]$$

$$= \frac{(-1)^n}{1+n} + \frac{(-1)^n}{1-n} = (-1)^n \left[ \frac{1-n+1+n}{1-n^2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{2(-1)^n}{1-n^2}, \text{ provided } n \neq 1$$

When  $n=1$ ,

$$a_1 = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi x \sin x \cos x dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\pi x \sin 2x dx$$

$$u = x$$

$$v = \sin 2x$$

$$u' = 1$$

$$v_1 = -\frac{\cos 2x}{2}$$

$$u'' = 0$$

$$v_2 = -\frac{\sin 2x}{4}$$

$$a_1 = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -x \frac{\cos 2x}{2} + \frac{\sin 2x}{4} \right] \Big|_0^\pi$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{-\pi \cos 2\pi}{2} + \frac{\sin 2\pi}{4} - 0 + 0 \right]$$

$$a_1 = \frac{-1}{2}$$

∴ The Fourier Cosine Series is

$$f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + a_1 \cos x + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx$$

$$= \frac{2}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cos x + 2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{1-n^2} \cos nx.$$

$$x \sin x = 1 - \frac{\cos x}{2} + 2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{1-n^2} \cos nx$$

Deduction:

Put  $x = \pi/2$

$$\frac{\pi}{2} \sin \frac{\pi}{2} = 1 - \frac{\cos \frac{\pi}{2}}{2} + 2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{1-n^2} \cos n \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\frac{\pi}{2} = 1 - 0 + 2 \sum_{n=2,4,\dots}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(1-n)(1+n)} \cos \frac{n\pi}{2}$$

$$\frac{\pi}{2} = 1 + 2 \frac{1}{-3} \cos \pi + 2 \frac{1}{(-3)(5)} \cos 2\pi + 2 \frac{1}{(-5)(7)} \cos 3\pi + \dots$$

$$\frac{\pi}{2} = 1 + 2 \left[ \frac{1}{1 \cdot 3} - \frac{1}{3 \cdot 5} + \frac{1}{5 \cdot 7} - \dots \right]$$

$$\frac{\frac{\pi}{2} - 1}{2} = \frac{1}{1 \cdot 3} - \frac{1}{3 \cdot 5} + \frac{1}{5 \cdot 7} - \dots$$

$$\frac{\pi - 2}{4} = \frac{1}{1 \cdot 3} - \frac{1}{3 \cdot 5} + \frac{1}{5 \cdot 7} - \dots$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{1 \cdot 3} - \frac{1}{3 \cdot 5} + \frac{1}{5 \cdot 7} - \dots = \frac{\pi - 2}{4}$$

3. Find the half range cosine series for  $f(x) = x$  in  $0 < x < \pi$

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

$$a_0 = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x \, dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ \frac{x^2}{2} \right]_0^{\pi} = \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{\pi^2}{2} = \pi$$

$$\therefore a_0 = \pi$$

$$a_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x \cos nx \, dx$$

$$u = x$$

$$u' = 1$$

$$u'' = 0$$

$$V = \cos nx$$

$$V_1 = \frac{\sin nx}{n}$$

$$V_2 = -\frac{\cos nx}{n^2}$$

$$a_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ x \frac{\sin nx}{n} + \frac{\cos nx}{n^2} \right]_0^{\pi}$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ \pi \frac{\sin n\pi}{n} + \frac{\cos n\pi}{n^2} - 0 - \frac{\cos 0}{n^2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ 0 + \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2} - \frac{1}{n^2} \right]$$

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

$$a_n = \begin{cases} -\frac{4}{n^2 \pi}, & n \text{ is even} \\ 0, & n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore f(x) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos nx}{n^2}$$

Half range cosine series:

$$f(x) = x(\pi - x) \text{ in } 0 < x < \pi$$

$$a_0 = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} (x\pi - x^2) dx.$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ \frac{x^2\pi}{2} - \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^{\pi}$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ \frac{\pi^3}{2} - \frac{\pi^3}{3} \right] = \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ \frac{\pi^3}{6} \right] = \frac{\pi^2}{3}.$$

$$a_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} (x\pi - x^2) \cos nx dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \quad u = x\pi - x^2$$

$$u' = \pi - 2x$$

$$u'' = -2$$

$$u''' = 0$$

$$v = \cos nx$$

$$v_1 = \frac{\sin nx}{n}$$

$$v_2 = -\frac{\cos nx}{n^2}$$

$$v_3 = -\frac{\sin nx}{n^3}$$

$$a_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ (x\pi - x^2) \frac{\sin nx}{n} + (\pi - 2x) \frac{\cos nx}{n^2} + 2 \frac{\sin nx}{n^3} \right]_0^{\pi}$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ 0 - \pi \frac{\cos n\pi}{n^2} + 2 \frac{\sin n\pi}{n^3} - 0 - \pi \frac{\cos 0}{n^2} - 2 \frac{\sin 0}{n^3} \right]$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ -\pi \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2} + 0 - \frac{\pi}{n^2} - 0 \right]$$

$$= -\frac{2}{\pi} \frac{\pi}{n^2} [1 + (-1)^n]$$

$$= -\frac{2}{n^2} [1 + (-1)^n]$$

$$\therefore a_n = \begin{cases} -\frac{4}{n^2} & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ 0 & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore f(x) = \frac{\pi^2}{6} - 4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos nx}{n^2}$$