

Today

- Fourier series for Heat / Diffusion equation

Fourier series (Method Undetermined Coefficients)

- Back to our ODE, what do we choose for the ω_n if $f(t)$ has period T ? Keep in mind that we want all the functions involved to have period T .

$$ay'' + by' + cy = f(t) \stackrel{?}{=} A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^N a_n \cos(\omega_n t) + \sum_{n=1}^N b_n \sin(\omega_n t)$$

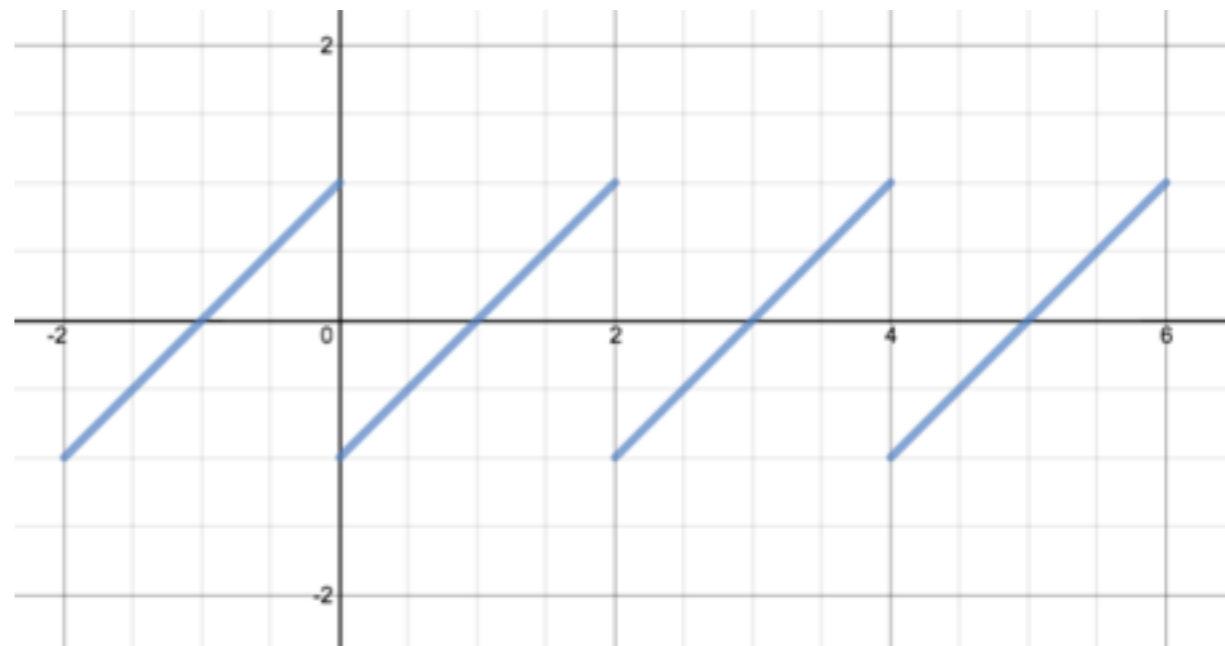
(A) $\omega_n = \pi / T$

(B) $\omega_n = 2 \pi / T$

(C) $\omega_n = n \pi / T$

★ (D) $\omega_n = 2 \pi n / T$

(E) Don't know. Explain please.



Calculate FS on doc cam.

Fourier series (Heat/Diffusion equation)

- When we talk about the Heat/Diffusion equation, we'll need to satisfy conditions at $x=0$ and $x=L$ (ends of a heated rod or a pipe filled with solution):

$$u(0) = 0, \quad u(L) = 0$$

- How should we choose w_n in this case?

$$u(x) = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^N a_n \cos(\omega_n x) + \sum_{n=1}^N b_n \sin(\omega_n x)$$

(A) $w_n = \pi / L$

(B) $w_n = 2 \pi / L$

★ (C) $w_n = n \pi / L$

(D) $w_n = 2 \pi n / L$

(E) Don't know. Explain please.

- Here, the function is not periodic on $[0,L]$ but rather $[-L,L]$!!

Fourier series (Heat/Diffusion equation)

- Want to find Fourier series coefficients A_0 , a_n , b_n , that make

$$u(x) \approx A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^N a_n \cos(\omega_n x) + \sum_{n=1}^N b_n \sin(\omega_n x)$$

- This will require taking integrals (dot products) like

$$g(x) \circ h(x) = \int_{-L}^L g(x)h(x) dx$$

- This integral is zero when

- ★ (A) g is even, h is odd. <-- $g(x)h(x)$ is odd.
- (B) g is even, h is even. <-- $g(x)h(x)$ is even.
- (C) g is odd, h is odd. <-- $g(x)h(x)$ is even.

Fourier series (Heat/Diffusion equation)

- Define $v_0(x) = 1$ $v_n(x) = \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$ $n = (0,)1, 2, 3, \dots$

$v_0 \circ v_n =$

★ (A) 0

(B) π

(C) $\pi/2$

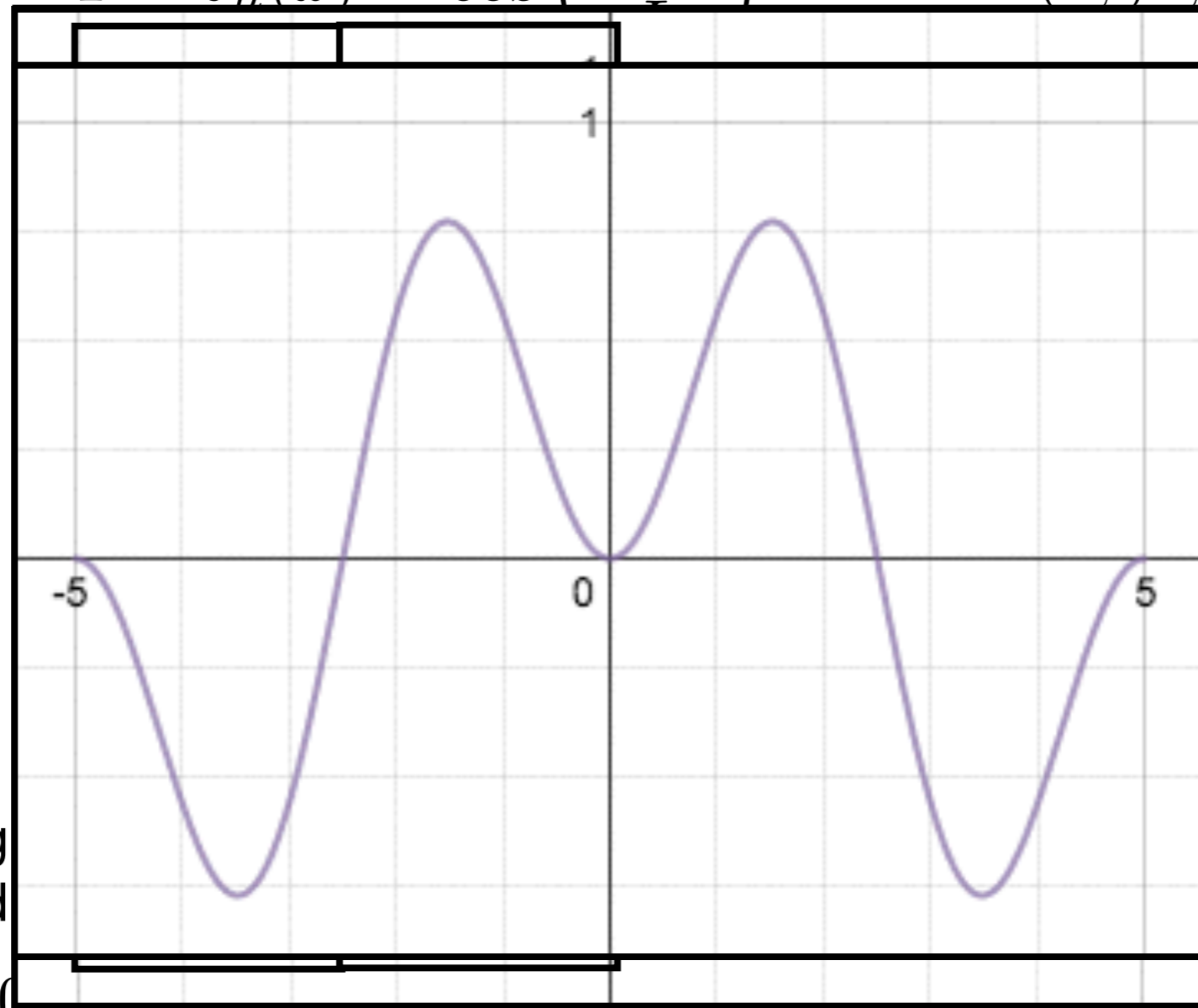
(D) $n\pi/2$

Integral of a trig
over one period

$v_0 \circ w_n = 0$

$$v_n \circ v_n = \int_{-L}^L \cos^2\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx = L$$

$$g(x) \circ h(x) = \int_{-L}^L g(x)h(x) dx$$



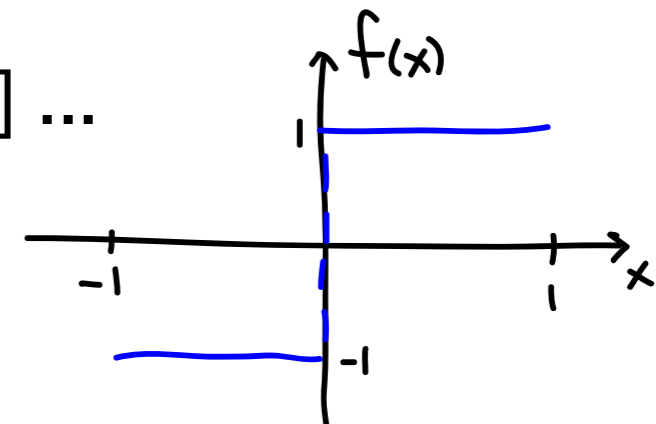
$(m \neq n)$

Fourier series (Heat/Diffusion equation)

- Defining Fourier series:
- Define a function $f_{FS}(x)$ on the interval $[-L,L]$ by choosing coefficients A_0 , a_n and b_n and setting

$$f_{FS}(x) = A_0 + a_1 \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) + a_2 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L}\right) + \dots$$
$$+ b_1 \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) + b_2 \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L}\right) + \dots$$

- This is called a Fourier series. It may or may not converge for different values of x , depending on the choice of coefficients.
- Given any function $f(x)$ on $[-L,L]$, can it be represented by some $f_{FS}(x)$?
- Let's check for $f(x) = 2u_0(x)-1$ on the interval $[-1,1]$...



Fourier series

- Calculate the coefficients of the Fourier series of a function:

$$f_{FS}(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + a_1 \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) + b_1 \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) + \dots$$

Change the a0/2 to A0 on this slide (reorder slides from last year for better flow).

$$v_0(x) = 1$$

$$v_n(x) = \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$w_n(x) = \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$f_{FS}(x) = \frac{a_0}{2}v_0(x) + a_1v_1(x) + a_2v_2(x) + \dots + b_1w_1(x) + b_2w_2(x) + \dots$$

$$f_{FS}(x) \circ v_n(x) = \frac{a_0}{2}v_0(x) \circ v_n(x) + a_1v_1(x) \circ v_n(x) + a_2v_2(x) \circ v_n(x) + \dots + b_1w_1(x) \circ v_n(x) + b_2w_2(x) \circ v_n(x) + \dots$$

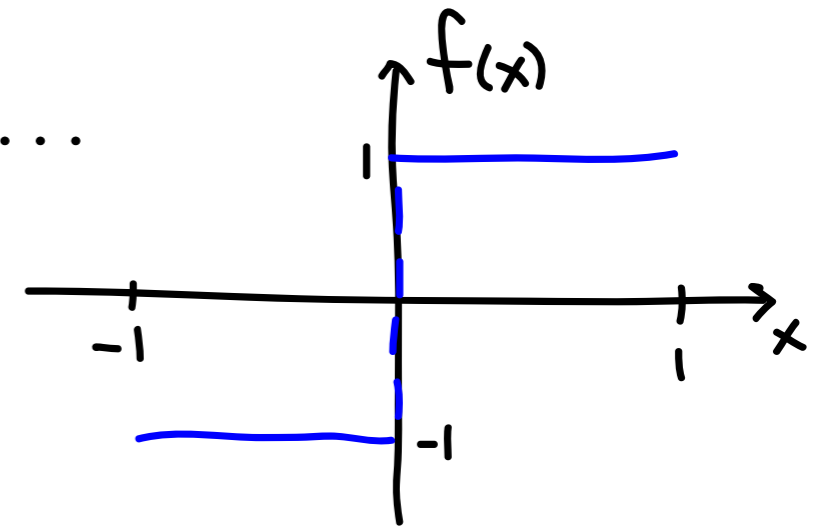
$$= a_n v_n(x) \circ v_n(x) = a_n L$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f_{FS}(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

Fourier series (Heat/Diffusion equation)

- Find the Fourier series for $f(x) = 2u_0(x) - 1$ on the interval $[-1, 1]$.

$$f_{FS}(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + a_1 \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) + a_2 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L}\right) + \dots$$
$$+ b_1 \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) + b_2 \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L}\right) + \dots$$



- Our hope is that $f(x) = f_{FS}(x)$ so we calculate coefficients as if they were equal:

$$A_0 = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) dx \quad \text{\textit{A}_0 is the average value of f(x)!}$$

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

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

- To simplify formulas, usually define

$$a_0 = 2A_0 = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) dx$$