

Chapter 2: Fourier Analysis

2.1 Periodic Functions

Def $f(x)$ is periodic if there is a constant $p > 0$,

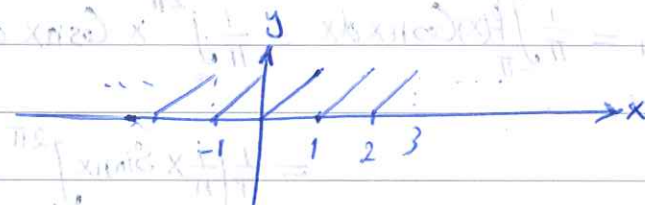
$$f(x+p) = f(x), \quad \forall x.$$

Ex. $f(x) = \cos x \rightarrow 2\pi, 4\pi, -6\pi, \dots$

Def. prime period is the smallest $p > 0$ (if exists).

$$p = 2\pi \text{ for } f(x) = \cos x, f(x) = \sin x$$

Ex. $y = x, 0 < x < 1, p = 1$



Lemma 1 Let $y = f(x)$ with period p , then

$$\int_a^{a+p} f(x) dx$$

does not depend on a .

Proof. Set

$$g(a) = \int_a^{a+p} f(x) dx = \int_0^a f(x) dx + \int_a^{a+p} f(x) dx = \int_0^a f(x) dx - \int_0^a f(x) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow g'(a) = \underbrace{f(a+p)}_{=f(a)} - f(a) = 0 \Rightarrow g(a) = \text{Constant}$$

so independent of a

2.2 Fourier Series

Consider a 2π -periodic function $f(x)$.

We want to write $f(x)$ as a linear combination of

$$1, \cos x, \sin x, \cos 2x, \sin 2x, \dots, \cos nx, \sin nx, \dots$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2} a_0 + (a_1 \cos x + b_1 \sin x) + (a_2 \cos 2x + b_2 \sin 2x) + \dots$$

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

where the Fourier coefficients are:

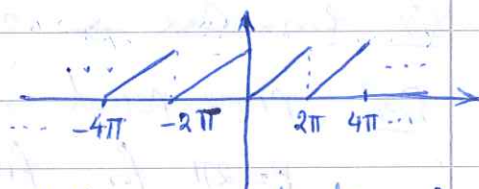
$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx \, dx, \quad n=0, 1, 2, \dots$$

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

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Ex 11. Find the Fourier series of $f(x) = x$, $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$, $P = 2\pi$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \, dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} x \, dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[\frac{x^2}{2} \right]_0^{2\pi} = 2\pi$$



$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx \, dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} x \cos nx \, dx = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} u = x \\ dv = \cos nx \, dx \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} du = dx \\ v = \frac{1}{n} \sin nx \end{array} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[\frac{1}{n} x \sin nx \right]_0^{2\pi} - \frac{1}{n\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sin nx \, dx = \frac{1}{n^2\pi} \cos nx \Big|_0^{2\pi} = 0$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx \, dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} x \sin nx \, dx = \dots = -\frac{2}{n}$$

$$\text{Hence } f(x) = \pi + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(-\frac{2}{n}\right) \sin nx = \pi - 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin nx}{n}$$

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

2.2.2 Complex Representation of Fourier Series

$$e^{inx} = \cos nx + i \sin nx$$

$$e^{-inx} = \cos nx - i \sin nx \Rightarrow \cos nx = \frac{e^{inx} + e^{-inx}}{2}, \quad \sin nx = \frac{e^{inx} - e^{-inx}}{2i}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2} a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(a_n \frac{e^{inx} + e^{-inx}}{2} + b_n \frac{e^{inx} - e^{-inx}}{2i} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(a_n \frac{e^{inx} + e^{-inx}}{2} - i b_n \frac{e^{inx} - e^{-inx}}{2} \right)$$

$$= \underbrace{\frac{a_0}{2}}_{=C_0} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \underbrace{\frac{a_n - ib_n}{2}}_{=C_n} e^{inx} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \underbrace{\frac{a_n + ib_n}{2}}_{=C_{-n}} e^{-inx}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = C_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n e^{inx} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_{-n} e^{-inx} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} C_n e^{inx} \quad (2*)$$

Complex Fourier series

$$\text{Note: } C_0 = \frac{a_0}{2}, C_n = \frac{a_n - ib_n}{2}, C_{-n} = \frac{a_n + ib_n}{2} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a_0 = 2C_0 \\ a_n = C_n + C_{-n} \\ b_n = i(C_n - C_{-n}) \end{cases}$$

2.2.3 Derivation of the Euler Formulas

Lemma 2 $\{e^{inx}\}_{n=-\infty}^{\infty}$ are orthogonal on $-\pi < x < \pi$. That is

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{inx} e^{-ikx} dx = \begin{cases} 0 & n \neq k \\ 2\pi & n = k \end{cases}$$

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} n \neq k: \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{i(n-k)x} dx &= \frac{e^{i(n-k)x}}{i(n-k)} \Big|_{x=-\pi}^{x=\pi} = \frac{C_0(n-k)x + i \sin(n-k)x}{i(n-k)} \Big|_{x=-\pi}^{\pi} \\ &= \frac{(-1)^{n-k} - (-1)^{n-k}}{i(n-k)} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$n = k: \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^0 dx = 2\pi. \quad \square$$

Now, we obtain C_n in (2*) and we prove (*):

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(2*) \times e^{-ikx}}{\text{and } \int_{-\pi}^{\pi}} &\Rightarrow \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) e^{-ikx} dx = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} C_n \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{i(n-k)x} dx \\ &\stackrel{k \text{ is fixed}}{=} C_k (2\pi) = 2\pi C_k \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow C_k = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) e^{-ikx} dx, \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

That is

$$C_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) e^{-inx} dx, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Then, for $n=1, \dots$

$$a_n = C_n + C_{-n} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) (\underbrace{e^{-inx} + e^{inx}}_{= 2 \cos nx}) dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx dx$$

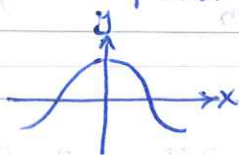
$$b_n = i(C_n - C_{-n}) = \frac{i}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) (\underbrace{e^{-inx} - e^{inx}}_{= -2i \sin nx}) dx = \frac{i^2}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx dx = -\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx dx$$

$$a_0 = 2C_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx$$

2.2.4 Even and odd functions

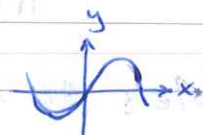
Recall: function $f(x)$ is $\begin{cases} \text{even if } f(x) = f(-x), \forall x \\ \text{odd if } f(x) = -f(-x), \forall x \end{cases}$

Ex $f(x) = \cos x$
even



Symmetric w.r.t y axis

$f(x) = \sin x$
odd



Symmetric w.r.t the origin

Note: $\int_{-a}^a f(x) dx = \begin{cases} 2 \int_0^a f(x) dx & f \text{ even} \\ 0 & f \text{ odd} \end{cases}$

Note: $\begin{matrix} + & + \\ \text{even} \times \text{even} & = \text{even} \\ \text{even} \times \text{odd} & = \text{odd} \\ + & - \end{matrix}$

$\text{odd} \times \text{odd} = \text{even}$

Lemma 3

If $f(x)$ is even, then

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \underbrace{f(x)}_{\text{even}} \underbrace{\cos nx}_{\text{even}} dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx dx, \quad n=0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \underbrace{f(x)}_{\text{even}} \underbrace{\sin nx}_{\text{odd}} dx = 0, \quad n=1, 2, \dots$$

If $f(x)$ is odd, then

$$a_n = 0, \quad n=0, 1, 2, \dots, \quad b_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx dx$$

Hence

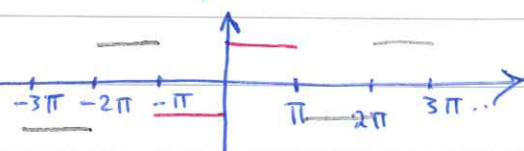
$$f \text{ even} \Rightarrow f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx \quad (\text{Cosine series})$$

$$f \text{ odd} \Rightarrow f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin nx \quad (\text{Sine series})$$

Ex 12 Find the Fourier series (the square wave): $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 < x < \pi \\ -1 & -\pi < x < 0 \end{cases}$

f is odd $\Rightarrow a_n = 0, n=0, 1, \dots$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx dx = -\frac{2}{n\pi} (\cos n\pi - \cos 0) = \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{1 - (-1)^n}{n}$$



Hence

$$f(x) = \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1-(-1)^n}{n} \sin nx = \frac{2}{\pi} \left(2 \sin x + \frac{2}{3} \sin 3x + \dots \right)$$

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

Note: At $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$:

$$1 = f\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \frac{4}{\pi} \left(\sin \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\sin 3\pi}{3} + \frac{\sin 5\pi}{5} + \dots \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = \frac{4}{\pi} \left(1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \dots \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4} = 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \dots = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{2k-1}$$

2.2.5 Bessel Inequality and Riemann-Lebesgue Lemma

Thm 9 (Bessel ineq.) If $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x)|^2 dx < \infty$, then

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_n|^2 \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x)|^2 dx$$

Proof. Recall the Fourier series

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{inx}$$

Denote the N^{th} partial sum of the Fourier series by

$$S_N^f(x) = \sum_{n=-N}^N c_n e^{inx}$$

Now

$$0 \leq |f(x) - S_N^f(x)|^2 = \left| f(x) - \sum_{n=-N}^N c_n e^{inx} \right|^2$$

$$|z|^2 = z \bar{z} = \left(f(x) - \sum_{n=-N}^N c_n e^{inx} \right) \overline{\left(f(x) - \sum_{n=-N}^N c_n e^{inx} \right)}$$

$$\overline{x+y} = \bar{x} + \bar{y} \quad \overline{xy} = \bar{x} \bar{y} \quad \Rightarrow \left(f(x) - \sum_{n=-N}^N c_n e^{inx} \right) \left(\bar{f}(x) - \sum_{n=-N}^N \bar{c}_n e^{-inx} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} e^{inx} &= \cos nx + i \sin nx \\ \bar{e^{inx}} &= \cos nx - i \sin nx \\ &= e^{-inx} \end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned} &= |f(x)|^2 - \sum_{n=-N}^N c_n \bar{f}(x) e^{inx} - \sum_{n=-N}^N \bar{c}_n f(x) e^{-inx} \\ &\quad + \sum_{n=-N}^N \sum_{m=-N}^N c_n \bar{c}_m e^{inx} e^{-imx} \end{aligned}$$

Hence, taking $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi}$,

$$= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) e^{-inx} dx = 2\pi \bar{c}_n$$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left| f(x) - \sum_{n=-N}^N c_n e^{inx} \right|^2 dx &= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x)|^2 dx - \sum_{n=-N}^N c_n \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \bar{f}(x) e^{inx} dx \\ &\quad - \sum_{n=-N}^N \bar{c}_n \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) e^{-inx} dx \\ &\quad + \sum_{n=-N}^N \sum_{m=-N}^N c_n \bar{c}_m \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{inx} e^{-imx} dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\stackrel{\text{Lemma 2}}{=} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x)|^2 dx - 2\pi \sum_{n=-N}^N \underbrace{c_n \bar{c}_n}_{=|c_n|^2} - 2\pi \sum_{n=-N}^N \bar{c}_n c_n + \sum_{n=-N}^N 2\pi c_n \bar{c}_n \\ &= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x)|^2 dx - 2\pi \sum_{n=-N}^N |c_n|^2 \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$0 \leq \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x)|^2 dx - 2\pi \sum_{n=-N}^N |c_n|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=-N}^N |c_n|^2 \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x)|^2 dx$$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=-N}^N |c_n|^2 \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x)|^2 dx. \quad \square$$

~~Lemma~~

Recall: If $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$ converges, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$

Lemma 4 (Riemann-Lebesgue Lemma). If $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x)|^2 dx < \infty$, then

$$\lim_{|n| \rightarrow \infty} c_n = 0, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = 0$$

Proof. From Bessel ineq

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_n|^2 \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \underbrace{\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x)|^2 dx}_{< \infty} < \infty \Rightarrow \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_n|^2 \text{ converges}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_n| \text{ converges}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |c_n| = 0$$

$$\text{or } \lim_{n \rightarrow -\infty} |c_n| = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{|n| \rightarrow \infty} c_n = 0$$

$$\text{Then } a_n = c_n + c_{-n} \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_{-n} = 0 + \lim_{n \rightarrow -\infty} c_n$$

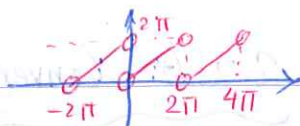
$$= 0 + 0 = 0$$

$$b_n = i(c_n - c_{-n}) \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = i(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_{-n}) = i(0 - 0) = 0. \quad \square$$

Note: Lemma 4 says that: If $f \in L_2(-\pi, \pi)$, then its Fourier coefficients tends to zero.

Note: So, if a_n or b_n or $c_n \not\rightarrow 0$, then Fourier series does not converge.

Ex Recall Ex 11: $f(x) = x$, $0 \leq x < 2\pi$, $p = 2\pi$



$$a_0 = 2\pi, \quad a_n = 0, \quad b_n = -\frac{2}{n}$$

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x)|^2 dx = \int_{-\pi}^0 f(x)^2 dx + \int_0^{\pi} f(x)^2 dx$$

$$= \int_{-\pi}^0 (x+2\pi)^2 dx + \int_0^{\pi} x^2 dx = \frac{7\pi^3}{3} + \frac{\pi^3}{3} = \frac{8\pi^3}{3}$$

OR $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x)|^2 dx \stackrel{\substack{f(x+p)=f(x) \\ f^2(x) \text{ is periodic}}}{=} \int_0^{2\pi} |f(x)|^2 dx = \int_0^{2\pi} x^2 dx = \frac{8\pi^3}{3}$

Hence, as we expected (by Riemann-Lebesgue Lemma):

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{2}{n} = 0$$

See also Ex 12.

2.2.6 Converges of Fourier Series

Recall: For a given series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$, we can define the partial sum

$$S_N = \sum_{n=1}^N x_n = x_1 + \dots + x_N$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n \text{ converges to } X \iff \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n = X \iff \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} S_N = X$$

Thm 10 (Dirichlet Theorem)

If f is 2π -periodic
 f, f' are p.w. continuous $\implies$ then $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} S_N^f(x_0) = \frac{f(x_{0-}) + f(x_{0+})}{2}, \forall x_0$

Also when f is continuous at x_0

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} S_N^f(x_0) = f(x_0)$$

Note: $f(x_{0-}) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^-} f(x)$, $f(x_{0+}) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^+} f(x)$

Note: For simplicity let f be continuous $\forall x$. Then

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} S_N^f(x) = f(x), \forall x$$

$$\implies \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} (f(x) - S_N^f(x)) = 0, \forall x$$

$$\implies \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} |f(x) - S_N^f(x)|^2 = 0, \forall x$$

$$\implies \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x) - S_N^f(x)|^2 dx = 0$$

Hence, recalling the proof of Thm 9 (Bessel ineq.),

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x) - S_N^f(x)|^2 dx = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left(\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x)|^2 dx - 2\pi \sum_{n=-N}^N |c_n|^2 \right) = 0$$

Thm 11 (Parseval identity)

Having the assumption of Thm 10, we have

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x)|^2 dx = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_n|^2$$

or

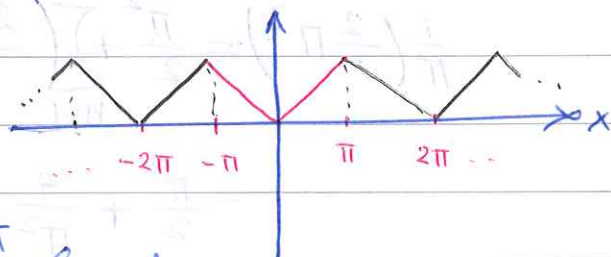
$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x)|^2 dx = 2 \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_n|^2 = 2|c_0|^2 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |c_n|^2 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |c_{-n}|^2$$

$$\begin{cases} c_0 = \frac{a_0}{2} \\ c_n = \frac{a_n - ib_n}{2} \\ c_{-n} = \frac{a_n + ib_n}{2} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \frac{|a_0|^2}{2} + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{|a_n|^2 + |b_n|^2}{4} + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{|a_n|^2 + |b_n|^2}{4} = \frac{|a_0|^2}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (|a_n|^2 + |b_n|^2)$$

Ex 13. Compute the Fourier series of $f(x) = |x|$, $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$, $p = 2\pi$ and then compute $\frac{1}{1^4} + \frac{1}{3^4} + \frac{1}{5^4} + \frac{1}{7^4} + \dots$

~~Using the Fourier series expansion of $f(x) = |x|$, $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$, $p = 2\pi$~~

f is even, so $b_n = 0$ and



$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx dx$$

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

Hence

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

For $n = 1, 2, \dots$

$$a_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x \cos nx dx = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} u = x \\ dv = \cos nx dx \end{array} \rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} du = dx \\ v = \frac{1}{n} \sin nx \end{array} \right. \right\}$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi n} \left[x \sin nx \right]_0^{\pi} - \frac{2}{\pi n} \int_0^{\pi} \sin nx dx = \frac{2}{\pi n^2} (\cos n\pi - 1)$$

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{So } f(x) &= \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n - 1}{n^2} \cos nx \\
 &= \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{2}{\pi} \left(\frac{(-1)^1 - 1}{1^2} \cos x + \frac{(-1)^2 - 1}{2^2} \cos 2x + \frac{(-1)^3 - 1}{3^2} \cos 3x + \dots \right) \\
 &= \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{2}{\pi} \left(-2 \cos x - \frac{2}{3^2} \cos 3x - \frac{2}{5^2} \cos 5x - \dots \right) \\
 &= \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{4}{\pi} \left(\cos x + \frac{\cos 3x}{3^2} + \frac{\cos 5x}{5^2} + \dots \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, by Parseval identity

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x)|^2 dx = \frac{|a_0|^2}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (|a_n|^2 + |b_n|^2)$$

$$\text{So } \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x)|^2 dx = 2 \int_0^{\pi} |f(x)|^2 dx = 2 \int_0^{\pi} x^2 dx = \frac{2}{3} \pi^3$$

Hence

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \left(\frac{2}{3} \pi^3 \right) = \frac{\pi^2}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2((-1)^n - 1)}{\pi n^2} \right)^2$$

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

$$= \frac{\pi^2}{2} + \frac{4}{\pi^2} \left(\frac{4}{1^4} + \frac{4}{3^4} + \frac{4}{5^4} + \dots \right)$$

$$= \frac{\pi^2}{2} + \frac{16}{\pi^2} \left(\frac{1}{1^4} + \frac{1}{3^4} + \frac{1}{5^4} + \dots \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{1^4} + \frac{1}{3^4} + \frac{1}{5^4} + \dots = \frac{\pi^2}{16} \left(\frac{2\pi^2}{3} - \frac{\pi^2}{2} \right) = \frac{\pi^4}{96}$$