

3.4.3 We are told that  $f(x)$  has a jump at  $x=x_0$ , and that  $f(x)$  is given by a cosine series

$$\Rightarrow f(x) \sim a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L}$$

with  $a_0 = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(x) dx = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L f(x) dx \quad n=0$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx \quad n \neq 0$$

We are also going to represent

$$\frac{df(x)}{dx} \sim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L}$$

$n \neq 0$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L \frac{df(x)}{dx} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L \frac{df(x)}{dx} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx$$

Take  $x_0 > 0$  so that we can work in  $[0, L]$  ②

{ think about the other cases... }

How do the  $a_n$ 's and  $b_n$ 's relate to each other?

Note that if we integrate by parts

$$b_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L \frac{dF(x)}{dx} \frac{\sin n\pi x}{L} dx$$

$$u = \frac{\sin n\pi x}{L}$$

$$dv = \frac{dF}{dx} dx$$

$$du = \frac{n\pi \cos n\pi x}{L} dx$$

$$v = F$$

we will generate terms that look like

$$\int_0^L F(x) \frac{\cos n\pi x}{L} dx$$

which is basically  $a_n$ ,  $n \neq 0$  so this approach looks promising

Now do it carefully, remembering that  $F(x)$  has a jump at  $x = x_0$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L \frac{dF(x)}{dx} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx \quad n \neq 0$$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{L} \left\{ F(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \Big|_0^{x_0^-} + F(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \Big|_{x_0^+}^L - \int_0^L \frac{n\pi}{L} F(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx \right\}$$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{L} \left\{ F(x_0^-) \sin \frac{n\pi x_0^-}{L} - F(0) \sin(0) + F(L) \sin n\pi - F(x_0^+) \sin \frac{n\pi x_0^+}{L} \right\}$$

$$- \frac{n\pi}{L} \int_0^L F(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx \right\}$$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{L} [F(x_0^-) - F(x_0^+)] \sin \frac{n\pi x_0}{L} - \frac{n\pi}{L} \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L F(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx$$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{since } \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} \\ \text{continues} \\ \text{at } x = x_0 \end{array} \right\}$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{L} (\alpha - \beta) \sin \frac{n\pi x_0}{L} - \frac{n\pi}{L} a_n \quad n \neq 0$$

$$\text{or } a_n = -\frac{L}{n\pi} b_n - \frac{2}{n\pi} (\beta - \alpha) \sin \frac{n\pi x_0}{L}$$

What is this?

$$f(x) \sim - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{L}{n\pi} b_n + \frac{2}{n\pi} (\beta - \alpha) \sin \frac{n\pi x_0}{L} \right] \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L}$$

$$\sim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L}$$

Shows explicitly the expected  $\frac{1}{n}$  slow convergence due to the jump:

The term  $\left( -\frac{2}{n\pi} (\beta - \alpha) \sin \frac{n\pi x_0}{L} \right) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{L}$