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at **all points**. Note again that $\frac{1}{2}(f(x_+) + f(x_-))$ is simply f(x) at all ordinary points. Furthermore, a_m , b_m are given by (2).



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> S:=sum(cm*sin(m*x),m=1..10);
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$$\frac{\sin(x)}{\pi} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\sin(2x)}{\pi} + \frac{1}{3} \frac{\sin(3x)}{\pi} - \frac{1}{4} \frac{\sin(4x)}{\pi} + \frac{1}{5} \frac{\sin(5x)}{\pi}$$
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