

Homework 1. (solution keys)

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4.1.4.

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} + t & -1 \leq t \leq 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} - t & 0 \leq t \leq 1. \end{cases} \quad .5 \text{ points}$$

The Fourier series expansion of $f(t)$ is:

$$f(t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [a_n \cos(n\pi t) + b_n \sin(n\pi t)] \quad , \text{ here } L=1.$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{1} \int_{-1}^1 f(t) dt = \int_{-1}^0 (\frac{1}{2} + t) dt + \int_0^1 (\frac{1}{2} - t) dt = 0$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{1} \int_{-1}^1 f(t) \cos(n\pi t) dt = \int_{-1}^0 (\frac{1}{2} + t) \cos(n\pi t) dt + \int_0^1 (\frac{1}{2} - t) \cos(n\pi t) dt = \frac{2(1-(-1)^n)}{n^2 \pi^2}$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{1} \int_{-1}^1 f(t) \sin(n\pi t) dt = \int_{-1}^0 (\frac{1}{2} + t) \sin(n\pi t) dt + \int_0^1 (\frac{1}{2} - t) \sin(n\pi t) dt = 0$$

You may need to use an integration by parts to compute a_n and b_n for $n \geq 1$.

4.1.14:

$$f(t) = t \cos\left(\frac{\pi t}{L}\right), \quad -L \leq t \leq L. \quad .5 \text{ points}$$

$$f(t) = (-t) \cos\left(\frac{\pi(-t)}{L}\right) = -t \cos\left(\frac{\pi t}{L}\right) = -f(t)$$

so

f is an odd function, then the Fourier series expansion of f is

$$f(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi t}{L}\right).$$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(t) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi t}{L}\right) dt = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L t \cos\left(\frac{\pi t}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi t}{L}\right) dt.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{using } 2t \cos\left(\frac{\pi t}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi t}{L}\right) &= t \left(\sin\left(\frac{\pi t}{L} + \frac{n\pi t}{L}\right) - \sin\left(\frac{\pi t}{L} - \frac{n\pi t}{L}\right) \right) \\ &= t \left(\sin\left(\frac{(n+1)\pi t}{L}\right) - \sin\left(\frac{(n-1)\pi t}{L}\right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$= t \left(\sin\left(\frac{\pi t}{L}(n+1)\right) - \sin\left(\frac{\pi t}{L}(Ln)\right) \right)$$

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Integrating by parts and using $\sin(n\pi) = 0$ & $\cos(n\pi) = (-1)^n$, we find that

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

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

$x > 0$

$$f(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2L}{\pi} \frac{n(-1)^n}{n^2-1} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi t}{L}\right) \quad \leftarrow \text{(2 points)}$$

4.2.1: $\frac{x\pi^2 - \pi x^2}{8} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\sin((2n+1)x)}{(2n+1)^3}$ \leftarrow (given) $0 < x < \pi$

Differentiate both sides: \rightarrow (obtained).

$$\frac{\pi^2 - 2\pi x}{8} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\cos((2n+1)x)}{(2n+1)^2} \quad \text{This can be done}$$

because $f(x) = \frac{\pi^2 x - \pi x^2}{8}$ is a continuous function on $[0, \pi]$.

and f' is also continuous on $[0, \pi]$

if $\frac{\pi^2 - 2\pi x}{8} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\cos((2n+1)x)}{(2n+1)^2}$ is given.

Integrating both sides, ~~the~~ get from 0 to x , that is,

$$\int_0^x \left(\frac{\pi^2 - 2\pi x}{8} \right) dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_0^x \frac{\cos((2n+1)x)}{(2n+1)^2} dx$$

so

$$\frac{\pi^2 x - \pi x^2}{8} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\sin((2n+1)x)}{(2n+1)^3}$$

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4.1.7

$$f(t) = \int_0^t \pi^2 - t^2 \quad \text{for } t < \pi.$$

7 points

The cosine series expansion of $f(t)$ is:

$$f(t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi t}{L}\right), \quad \text{Here } L = \pi.$$

$$a_0 = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(t) dt = \frac{4}{3} \pi^2$$

$$a_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(t) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi t}{L}\right) dt = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} (\pi^2 - t^2) \cos(nt) dt$$

$$= \frac{-4(-1)^n}{n^2}$$

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$$f(t) = \frac{4}{3} \pi^2 - 4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2} \cos(nt).$$

The sine series expansion is:

$$f(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin(nt), \quad b_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(t) \sin(nt) dt$$

Integrating by parts, we get

$$b_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \left[\frac{2\pi^2}{n} + \frac{2(1-(-1)^n)}{n^3} \right] = \frac{4\pi}{n} + \frac{4(1-(-1)^n)}{\pi n^3}.$$

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$$f(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{4\pi}{n} + \frac{4(1-(-1)^n)}{\pi n^3} \right) \sin(nt).$$

4.4.3 $f(t) = -2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} \sin(nt)$

3 points

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We can write f in terms of a cosine series with phase angle ϕ_n as:

$$f(t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos(nt + \phi_n)$$

Here, $a_0 = 0$, $a_n = 0$ for $n \geq 1$, $b_n = \frac{-2(-1)^n}{n}$, $A_n = \sqrt{a_n^2 + b_n^2} = \frac{2}{n}$

$$\phi_n = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{-b_n}{a_n}\right) = \tan^{-1}(\infty) \text{ so, } \phi_n = \pm \frac{\pi}{2}$$

ϕ_n must satisfy the identities:

$$a_n = A_n \cos(\phi_n) = 0 = 0 \rightarrow$$

$$b_n = -A_n \sin(\phi_n) \Rightarrow (-1)^{n+1} = \sin(\phi_n) \text{ so, } \phi_n = (-1)^{n+1} \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$f(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{n} \cos\left(nt + (-1)^{n+1} \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

4.5.4: $f(t) = t^2$, $-\pi \leq t \leq \pi$

4 points

The complex Fourier series of $f(t)$ is:

$$f(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} C_n e^{in\pi t/L}, \text{ where } C_n = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L f(t) e^{-in\pi t/L} dt$$

Here, $L = \pi$, so, $C_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} t^2 e^{-int} dt$

so

Integrating by parts twice, we find that $C_n =$

$$C_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} t^2 \cos(nt) dt - \frac{i}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} t^2 \sin(nt) dt$$

\Rightarrow

$$C_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[\frac{t^2 \sin(nt)}{n} + \frac{2t \cos(nt)}{n^2} - \frac{t \sin(nt)}{n^3} \right]_{-\pi}^{\pi} = \frac{2}{n^2} (-1)^n, n \neq 0$$

t^2	\times	$\cos nt$
$2t$	$-$	$\frac{\sin nt}{n}$
t	$+$	$-\frac{\cos nt}{n^2}$
0	$-$	$-\frac{\sin nt}{n^3}$

For $n=0$, $C_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} t^2 dt = \frac{\pi^2}{3}$.

$$f(t) = \frac{\pi^2}{3} + 2 \sum_{\substack{n=-\infty \\ n \neq 0}}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2} e^{int}$$

4.6.5 $f(t) = |t|$. We want to use complex Fourier series to solve the DE: $y'' + 4y = |t|$, $-\pi \leq t \leq \pi$. 6 points

The general solution of this DE is: $y = y_c + y_p$ where y_c is the general solution of the associated homogeneous DE & y_p is a particular solution.

$$y_c = A \cos(2t) + B \sin(2t)$$

To find y_p using Fourier complex series, we need to find first the complex Fourier series of $f(t) = |t|$.

Refer to our text book,

$$f(t) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{i(2n-1)t}}{(2n-1)^2}$$

So, the form of y_p is

$$y_p = A_0 + \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} K_n e^{i(2n-1)t} \quad \text{so}$$

$$y_p'' + 4y_p = 4A_0 + \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} K_n [- (2n-1)^2 + 4] e^{i(2n-1)t} \quad \text{From the DE} =$$

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

By comparison, we find that

$$A_0 = \frac{\pi}{8}, \quad \forall K_n (4 - (2n-1)^2) = \frac{-2}{\pi(2n-1)^2}, \quad \text{so}$$

$$K_n = \frac{-2}{\pi(2n-1)^2(4 - (2n-1)^2)} \quad \text{Finally,}$$

$$y_p = \frac{\pi}{8} + \frac{-2}{\pi} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{i(2n-1)t}}{(2n-1)^2(4 - (2n-1)^2)}$$