

MATH 3090, Advanced Calculus I

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Homework Sheet 7

Due in: Wednesday 15th November, 11:30 AM

Please hand in solutions to questions 1-3.

Compulsory questions

- 1 Find the Fourier coefficients for the following functions. You may use either $f(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{inx}$ or $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx$.
 - (a) $f(x) = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } (2n-1)\pi < x \leq 2n\pi \\ 1 & \text{if } 2n\pi < x \leq (2n+1)\pi \end{cases}$ for any integer n .
 - (b) $f(x) = y^3$ where y is the value of $x - 2n\pi$ with smallest modulus, and $f((2n+1)\pi) = 0$ (so $f(x) = x^3$ for $-\pi < x < \pi$, and f is 2π -periodic).
- 2 (a) Show that $f(x)$ given by $f(x) = x^4$ on $[-\pi, \pi)$, and f is 2π -periodic, has Fourier series $f(x) = \frac{\pi^4}{10} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n 4 \left(\frac{\pi^2}{n^2} - \frac{6}{n^4} \right) \cos nx$.
 - (b) Deduce that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^4} = -\frac{7\pi^4}{720}$ (You may assume that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2} = -\frac{\pi^2}{12}$).
- 3 Suppose $f(x)$ is a 2π -periodic function with Fourier series $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}a_0 + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \cos((4n+1)x)$. Express the function $g(x)$ whose Fourier series is $g(x) = \frac{1}{2}a_0 \cos x - \frac{1}{2}a_0 \sin x + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \cos((4n+2)x)$ in terms of $f(x)$. [Hint: $\cos((4n+2)x) = \cos x \cos((4n+1)x) - \sin x \sin((4n+1)x)$, and $\sin((4n+1)x) = \cos(4n+1) \left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$.]