

[20 points=5+5+10] Problem 1.

- a) Find the Fourier series of the  $2\pi$ -periodic function  $\phi(x) = \sin^2 x \cos x$  without doing the integral computations of the coefficients  $a_k$  and  $b_k$  – Justify your answer.
- b) Suppose that  $f$  is a piecewise continuous  $2\pi$ -periodic function. Let  $g(x) = \int_0^x f(t)dt$ . Give a necessary and sufficient condition on  $f$  so that  $g$  is  $2\pi$ -periodic.
- c) Knowing that the Fourier series of the odd function  $\text{sign}(x) := \begin{cases} -1 & \text{for } -\pi \leq x < 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$   
 is given by  $\frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(2k+1)\pi x}{2k+1}$ , find (after justifications) the Fourier series of the  $2\pi$ -periodic function defined by  $g(x) = |x|$  for  $x \in [-\pi, \pi]$ .

a)  $\phi(x) = \sin x \cos x = \frac{1}{2} \sin 2x$

In other words: The FS is

$$\frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \cos kx + b_k \sin kx$$

where

$$a_0 = a_1 = \dots = b_0 = b_1 = b_3 = b_4 = \dots = b_k = \dots = 0$$

$$b_2 = \frac{1}{2}.$$

$$b_k = 0 \quad \forall k \neq 2 \quad \& \quad b_2 = \frac{1}{2}.$$

b)

A necessary & sufficient condition on  $f$  would be that  $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx = 0$

This would lead to the periodicity of  $g(x) = \int_0^x f(t) dt$ .

$$c) g(x) = |x|$$

is the primitive of  
 $\text{sign}(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x > 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \\ -1 & x < 0 \end{cases}$

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$$\int_0^x \text{sign}(t) dt = \int_0^x dt = x \quad \text{if } x > 0.$$

$$\int_0^x \text{sign}(t) dt = 0 \quad \text{if } x = 0.$$

$$\int_0^x \text{sign}(t) dt = \int_0^x -1 dt \quad \text{if } x < 0$$

$$= -x \quad \text{if } x < 0.$$

Therefore

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \text{sign}(x) dx = 0$$

so we can integrate term by term to get

$$\begin{aligned} \text{FS}(|x|) &= \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2k+1)} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (\sin((2k+1)\pi t)) dt \\ &= \left( \frac{4}{\pi^2} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{-1}{(2k+1)^2} (\cos((2k+1)\pi x) + 1) \right) \end{aligned}$$

25 points = 20 + 5] Problem 2. Let  $\tilde{f}$  be the  $2\pi$ -periodic extension of the function  $f$  defined, over  $[-\pi, \pi]$ , by  $f(x) = e^x$ .

- a) Compute the Fourier series of  $f$ .
- b) What is the value of the Fourier series of  $f$  at the point  $x = -\pi$ ? Is it  $e^{-\pi}$ ?

$$a) f(x) = e^x$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^x dx = \frac{1}{\pi} [e^\pi - e^{-\pi}]$$

for  $k \geq 1$ ,

$$a_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^x \cos kx dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{e^x}{u} \cos kx dx \right) &= \text{by parts} \quad \frac{1}{k} e^x \sin kx - \frac{1}{k} \int \frac{\sin kx}{du} e^x dx \\ &= \frac{e^x \sin kx}{k} - \frac{1}{k} \left[ -\frac{e^x}{k} \cos kx \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{e^x \sin kx}{k} - \left[ \frac{1}{k^2} \int \frac{e^x}{u} \cos kx dx \right] + \int \frac{e^x}{k} \cos kx dx$$

$$\left( \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^x \cos kx dx \right) \left( 1 + \frac{1}{k^2} \right) = \left( \frac{k^2 + 1}{k^2} \right) \left( \frac{e^x \sin kx}{k} \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &+ \left( \frac{1}{k} e^x \sin kx \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} \right) + \frac{1}{k^2} e^x \cos kx \\ &\left. \frac{1}{k^2} \left[ e^\pi \cos k\pi - e^{-\pi} \cos k\pi \right] \right) = \frac{(-1)^k}{k^2} [e^\pi - e^{-\pi}] \end{aligned}$$

$$a_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^x \cos kx \, dx = \frac{(-1)^k}{(k^2+1)\pi} [e^\pi - e^{-\pi}].$$

From before  $(*)$  we see

$$-\frac{1}{k} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin kx \, e^x \, dx = \pi a_k - \frac{1}{k} \left[ e^x \sin kx \right]_{-\pi}^{\pi}$$

so  ~~$a_k$~~

$$-\frac{1}{k} \cdot \cancel{\pi} b_k = \cancel{\pi} a_k.$$

i.e  $b_k = -k a_k$ .

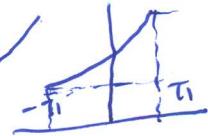
$$b_k = -\frac{(-1)^k k}{(k^2+1)\pi} [e^\pi - e^{-\pi}].$$

$$\text{FS}(|x|) = \left[ \frac{(e^\pi - e^{-\pi})}{\pi} \right] \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k^2+1} \cos kx - \frac{(-1)^k k \sin kx}{(k^2+1)}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{\pi} (e^\pi - e^{-\pi}).$$

b) From the convergence Theorem of Fourier Series, the value at  $-\pi$  (which is a Discontinuity point) Page 5 of 11 is  $\frac{1}{2} [f(-\pi^-) + f(\pi^+)]$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \underbrace{e^{+\pi}}_{f(\pi)} + \underbrace{e^{-\pi}}_{f(\pi)} \right]$$



[30 points=10+10+5+5] Problem 3. Consider the following sequences of functions over the real line  $\mathbb{R}$ :

$$f_n(x) = xe^{-nx^2} \quad \text{and} \quad g_n(x) = nx e^{-nx^2}, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

1. Determine the pointwise limits of the sequences of functions  $\{f_n(x)\}_n$  and  $\{g_n(x)\}_n$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .
2. Compute  $\max_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |f_n(x)|$  and  $\max_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |g_n(x)|$ .
3. Study the uniform convergence of  $\{f_n(x)\}_n$  over  $\mathbb{R}$ . Justify your answer.
4. Study the uniform convergence of  $\{g_n(x)\}_n$  over  $\mathbb{R}$ . Justify your answer.

1) Fixing a real number  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ :

$$\text{if } x = 0, \quad f_n(0) = 0 \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} 0.$$

$$\text{if } x \neq 0, \text{ then } e^{-nx^2} \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} 0 \quad (\text{since } x^2 > 0)$$

$$\text{Thus } f_n(x) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} 0 \quad \text{when } x \neq 0$$

$$\text{& also when } x = 0.$$

$$\text{i.e } f_n \xrightarrow{\text{pointwise}} 0$$

$$\text{Also when } x \neq 0, \quad nx e^{-nx^2} \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} 0. \text{ This}$$

$$\text{implies } g_n(x) \xrightarrow{\text{pointwise}} 0$$

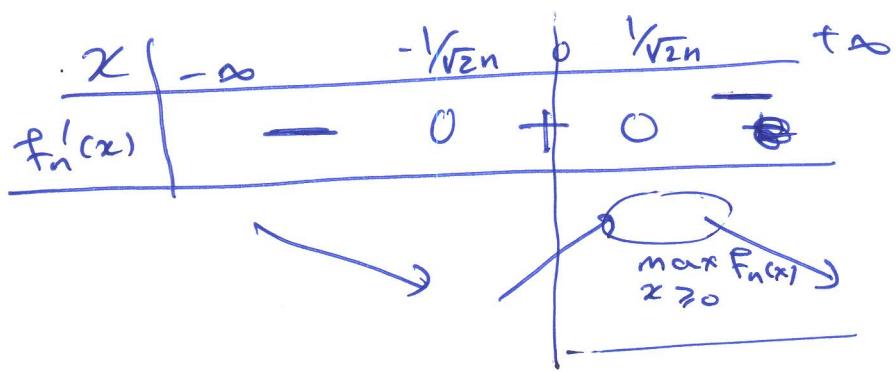
$$2. \quad |f_n(x)| = |xe^{-nx^2}|, \text{ note that}$$

$x \mapsto xe^{-nx^2}$  is an ODD function.

So It is enough to compute  $\max_{x \geq 0} xe^{-nx^2}$ .

$$f_n'(x) = 1 \cdot e^{-nx^2} - 2nx^2 e^{-nx^2} = \frac{x}{e^{-nx^2}} [1 - 2nx^2]$$

$$f_n'(x) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n}}.$$



Therefore  $\max_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |f_n(x)| = f_n\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2n}}\right)$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n}} e^{-n \cdot \frac{1}{2n}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n}} e^{-1}$$

For  $g_n$ :  $g_n(x)$  is also ODD.

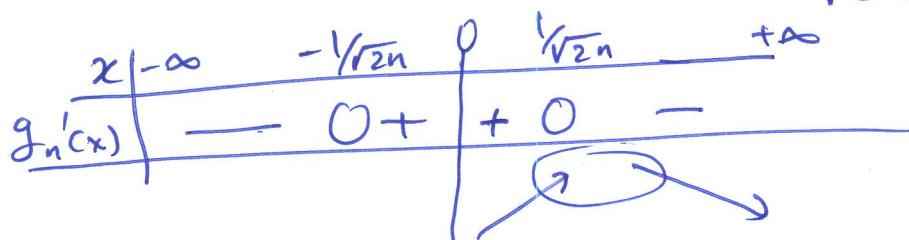
Let's then consider  $\max_{x \geq 0} g_n(x)$

instead  $\max_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |g_n(x)|$ .

$x \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\begin{aligned} g_n'(x) &= (nx e^{-nx^2})' = n e^{-nx^2} + nx \cdot (-2nx) e^{-nx^2} \\ &= e^{-nx^2} [n - 2n^2 x^2]. \end{aligned}$$

$$g_n'(x) = 0 \iff x = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n}}.$$



$$\begin{aligned} \max_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |g_n(x)| &= g_n\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2n}}\right) = n \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n}} e^{-n \cdot \frac{1}{2n}} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

3) We notice that:

$$\|f_n - 0\|_{\infty} = \max_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |f_n(x) - 0|$$
$$= \frac{e^{-1}}{\sqrt{2n}} \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} 0$$

Thus  $f_n \rightarrow 0$  Uniformly.

4)  $\max_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |g_n(x) - 0|$

$$= \frac{e^{-1}}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \sqrt{n} \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} +\infty$$

So  $\{g_n\}$  Does NOT converge  
to 0 Uniformly

(only Pointwise)

[25 points=10+5+5+5] Problem 4. Consider the following PDE whose unknown is  $u(t, x)$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2}(t, x) = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \text{ and } u(0, x) = f(x), u_x(0, x) = g(x) \quad (1)$$

where  $t \geq 0$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $f, g$  are two given functions of class  $C^2$  over  $\mathbb{R}$ . Let

$$r = x + t \text{ and } s = x - t \text{ and } u(t, x) = v(r, s) = v(x + t, x - t).$$

1. Use the chain rule to find  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2}(t, x)$  and  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$  in terms of the partial derivative  $v_s, v_{rs}, v_{rr}$ , and  $v_{ss}$ .

2. Show that the PDE (1) is equivalent to the PDE

$$\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial r \partial s} = 0. \quad (2)$$

3. Write down the general solution of (2) (Help:  $\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial r \partial s} = 0$  means that  $\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( \frac{\partial v}{\partial s} \right) = 0$ ).

4. Use the initial data on  $u(t, x)$  and part 3. to find the form of the solution of (1) in terms of  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} 1) \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} &= \frac{\partial v}{\partial r} \cdot \frac{\partial r}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial s} \cdot \frac{\partial s}{\partial t} \\ &= v_r \cdot 1 + v_s \cdot (-1) = v_r - v_s. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} u_{tt} &= \cancel{v_{rr}} - v_{rs} - v_{rs} + v_{ss} \\ &= v_{rr} - 2v_{rs} + v_{ss}. \end{aligned}$$

$$u_x = v_r \cdot \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} + v_s \cdot \frac{\partial s}{\partial x} = v_r \cdot 1 + v_s.$$

$$\begin{aligned} u_{xx} &= v_{rr} + v_{rs} + v_{sr} + v_{ss} \\ &= v_{rr} + 2v_{rs} + v_{ss}. \end{aligned}$$

$$2) \quad u_{tt} = u_{xx} \Rightarrow -4v_{rs} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{v_{rs} = 0}$$

3) (2) can be written as

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( \frac{\partial \vartheta}{\partial s} \right) = 0$$

So  $\frac{\partial \vartheta}{\partial s} = \phi(s)$  for some function  $\phi$ .

Integrating in  $s$ , leads to

$$\begin{aligned}\vartheta(r, s) &= \int \phi(cs) ds + \psi(r) \\ &= q(s) + \psi(r)\end{aligned}$$

for some functions  $q$  &  $\psi$

where  $q'(s) = \phi(s)$ .

$$\vartheta(r, s) = q(s) + \psi(r)$$

$$\Rightarrow u(t, x) = q(x-t) + \psi(x+t)$$

$$4) u(0, x) = f(x) \Rightarrow f(x) = q(x) + \psi(x) \dots \textcircled{a}$$

$$u_x(0, x) = g(x) \Rightarrow g(x) = q'(x) + \psi'(x) \dots \textcircled{b}$$

$$\text{Note: } \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (q(x-t)) \right|_{t=0} = \left. q'(x-t) \cdot 1 \right|_{t=0} = q'(x).$$

$$\textcircled{b} \Rightarrow \int_0^x g(t) dt = q(x) + \psi(x) - q(0) - \psi(0) \dots \textcircled{c}$$

$$\textcircled{a} \Rightarrow \boxed{\int_0^x q(t) dt + q(0) + \psi(0) = f(x)}$$