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Question 1

Find the sum of the
Fourier series
of $f(x) = x + x^2$ in
 $-\pi < x < \pi$ at $x = \pi$.

Solution 1

$x = \pi$ is a discontinuous point in this interval .

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{1}{2}[-\pi + (-\pi)^2 + \pi + \pi^2] \\ &= \pi^2 \end{aligned}$$

Question 2

What is known as
harmonic analysis?

Solution 2

The process of finding the Harmonics in the Fourier expansion of a function numerically is known as Harmonic analysis.

Question 3

State the Dirichlet's conditions for the existence of Fourier series of $f(x)$ in $[0, 2\pi]$ with period 2π .

Solution 3

A function $f(x)$ defined in $(c, c+2l)$ can be expanded as an infinite trigonometric series of the form

$$f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{l} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l},$$

provided

1. $f(x)$ is single valued and finite in $(c, c+2l)$.
2. $f(x)$ is continuous or piece-wise continuous with finite number of finite discontinuities in $(c, c+2l)$.
3. $f(x)$ has no or finite number of maxima or minima in $(c, c+2l)$ are satisfied, then

the above 3 conditions are called the Dirichlet's conditions.

Question 4

let $f(x)$ be defined in $(0, 2\pi)$ by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1 + \cos x}{\pi - x}, & 0 < x < \pi \\ \cos x, & \pi < x < 2\pi \end{cases}$$

and $f(x + 2\pi) = f(x)$ with period 2π .

Solution 4

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi^-} \frac{-\sin x}{-1} \quad (\text{using 1 hospital's rule})$$
$$= 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi^+} f(x) = \cos \pi$$
$$= -1$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2} [f(\pi^-) + f(\pi^+)] \quad (\text{average})$$
$$= \frac{0 + (-1)}{2} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Question 5

If $f(x) = \begin{cases} \cos x, & \text{if } 0 < x < \pi \\ 50, & \text{if } \pi < x < 2\pi \end{cases}$

and $f(x) = f(x+2\pi)$ for all x , find the sum of the Fourier series of $f(x)$ at $x = \pi$.

Solution 5

$x = \pi$ is a discontinuous point.

Sum of the Fourier series of the function $f(x)$ at $x = \pi$ is,

$$\begin{aligned} f(\pi) &= \frac{f(\pi^-) + f(\pi^+)}{2} \\ &= \frac{\cos \pi + 50}{2} \\ &= \frac{-1 + 50}{2} \\ f(\pi) &= \frac{49}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Question 6

Find the coefficient b_5 of $\cos 5x$ in the Fourier cosine series of the function $f(x) = \sin 5x$ in the interval $(0, 2\pi)$

Solution 6

since $b_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi f(x) \cos nx \, dx$

$$\begin{aligned} b_5 &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sin 5x \cos 5x \, dx \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\sin 10x}{2} \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sin 10x \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[-\cos 10x / 10 \right]_0^{2\pi} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Question 7

Define Fourier cosine series
in $[0, 2l]$

Solution 7

$$f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{2l}$$

where $a_0 = \frac{1}{l} \int_0^{2l} f(x) dx$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{l} \int_0^{2l} f(x) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2l}\right) dx$$

Question 8

State Parseval's formula

Solution 8

The formula that expresses \bar{y}^2 in terms of a_0, a_n, b_n is known as Parseval's formula.

That is, in Fourier series in $(c, c+2l)$,
Then

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{y}^2 &= \frac{1}{2l} \int_c^{c+2l} [f(x)]^2 dx \\ &= \frac{a_0^2}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n^2 + b_n^2)\end{aligned}$$

Question 9

Find the sine series for $f(x)=k$
in $(0,\pi)$

Solution 9

W.k.t the half range sine series of $f(x)$ is in $(0, l)$ is given by

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin nx$$

To find b_n :

$$\begin{aligned} b_n &= \frac{2}{l} \int_0^l f(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} k \sin nx \, dx \\ &= \frac{2k}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin nx \, dx = \frac{2k}{\pi} \left[-\frac{\cos nx}{n} \right]_0^{\pi} \\ &= -\frac{2k}{\pi} \left[\frac{\cos n\pi}{n} - \frac{1}{n} \right] = \frac{2k}{n\pi} [1 - \cos n\pi] \end{aligned}$$

$$b_n = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{when } n \text{ is even} \\ \frac{4k}{n\pi} & \text{when } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

Question 10

State Euler's formula for
Fourier coefficient of a function
defined in $(c, c+2l)$

Solution 10

Fourier series in $(c, c+2l)$ is given by

$$f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{l} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l}$$

where

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{l} \int_c^{c+2l} f(x) dx$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{l} \int_c^{c+2l} f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{l} dx$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{l} \int_c^{c+2l} f(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{l} dx$$

Question 11

Find the value of b_n
for x^2+1 in $-1 \leq x \leq 1$.

Solution 11

Since $f(x) = x^2 + 1$ is an even function.

Therefore $b_n = 0$

Question 12

Define Root Mean square value of a function $f(x)$ in $(0, 2l)$

Solution 12

If a function $y=f(x)$ is defined in $(0,2l)$

then $\sqrt{\frac{1}{2l} \int_0^{2l} y^2 dx}$ is called the

root mean square value of y
and is denoted by \bar{y} .

$$\text{Thus } \bar{y}^2 = \frac{1}{2l} \int_0^{2l} y^2 dx$$

Question 13

Find the RMS Value of
 $f(x)=x^2$ in $(-1,1)$

Solution 13

$$\begin{aligned}\text{RMS} &= \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 x^4 dx} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x^5}{5} \right)_{-1}^1} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5} \right)} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{5}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}\end{aligned}$$

Question 14

If $f(x) = 2x$ in the $(0,4)$ then find the value of a_2 in the Fourier series expansion.

Solution 14

Let $f(x)=2x$

$$\text{W.k.t } a_n = \frac{1}{l} \int_c^{c+2l} f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{l} dx$$

since $c=0$, $c+2l=4$, $l=2$

$$\text{Put } n=2, \quad a_2 = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^4 2x \cos \frac{2\pi x}{2} dx$$

$$= \int_0^4 x \cos \pi x dx$$

$$= \left[x \left(\frac{\sin \pi x}{\pi} \right) - \left(\frac{-\cos \pi x}{\pi^2} \right) \right]_0^4$$

$$= 4(0) + \frac{1}{\pi^2} - 0 - \frac{1}{\pi^2} = 0$$

Question 15

If $f(x) = x^3$, $-\pi < x < \pi$, find the constant term of its Fourier series.

Or

Obtain the first term of the Fourier series for the function $f(x) = x^3$, $-\pi < x < \pi$.

Solution 15

Since $f(x) = x^3$ is an odd function.

Therefore $a_0 = 0$

Question 16

Determine the value of b_n
in the Fourier expansion of
 $x \sin x$ in $(-\pi, \pi)$

Solution 16

since $x \sin x$ is an even function
in $(-\pi, \pi)$. Therefore

$$b_n = 0.$$

Question 17

Find b_n in the expansion of x^2 as a Fourier series in $(-\pi, \pi)$.

Solution 17

since $f(x)=x^2$ is an even function in $(-\pi, \pi)$. Therefore

$$b_n = 0.$$

Question 18

State Parseval's identity for the half range cosine expansion of $f(x)$ in $(0, l)$.

Solution 18

$$2 \int_0^l f(x)^2 dx = \frac{a_0^2}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n^2$$

Where, $a_0 = 2 \int_0^l f(x) dx$

$$a_n = \int_0^l f(x) \cos nx dx$$

Question 19

Obtain the sum of Fourier series for

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x, & 0 < x < 1 \\ 2, & 1 < x < 2 \end{cases} \quad \text{at } x=1$$

Solution 19

Here when $x = 1$

$$f(1) = 1 \text{ in } 0 < x < 1$$

and

$$f(1) = 2 \text{ in } 1 < x < 2$$

Therefore $x=1$ is a point of discontinuity,

$$f(x) = \frac{f(1+0)+f(1-0)}{2}$$

$$= \frac{2+1}{2} = \frac{3}{2}$$

Question 20

Find the constant term in the expansion of $\cos^2 x$ as a Fourier series in the interval $(-\pi, \pi)$.

Solution 20

$$\text{Since } \cos^2 x = \frac{1 + \cos 2x}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left(\frac{1 + \cos 2x}{2} \right) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (1 + \cos 2x) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[x + \frac{\sin 2x}{2} \right]_{-\pi}^{\pi} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Question 21

Write a_0 , a_n in the expansion of $x+x^3$ as Fourier series in $(-\pi , \pi)$.

Solution 21

since $x+x^3$ is an odd function.

Therefore $a_0 = a_n = 0$.

Question 22

Define periodic function?

Solution 22

A function $f(x)$ is said to be a periodic function if for all x , $f(x+T) = f(x)$ where T is a positive constant. The least value of $T > 0$ is called the period of $f(x)$.

Question 23

Define complex form of Fourier series

Solution 23

The complex form of Fourier series is

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{\frac{in\pi x}{l}}$$

Where

$$c_n = \frac{1}{2l} \int_c^{c+2l} f(x) e^{\frac{-in\pi x}{l}} dx.$$

*Fourier series will be updated
then and there.....*