

Assignment 1

Hand in no. 1, 2, 4bc, and 5 by September 12.

1. A finite trigonometric series is of the form $a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^N (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx)$. A trigonometric polynomial is of the form $p(\cos x, \sin x)$ where $p(x, y)$ is a polynomial of two variables x, y .
 - (a) Write down the general expressions for trigonometric polynomial of degree one, two and three.
 - (b) Show that a function is a trigonometric polynomial if and only if it is a finite Fourier series.

2. Let f be a 2π -periodic function which is integrable over $[-\pi, \pi]$. Show that it is integrable over any finite interval and

$$\int_I f(x) dx = \int_J f(x) dx,$$

where I and J are intervals of length 2π .

3. Verify that the Fourier series of every even function is a cosine series and the Fourier series of every odd function is a sine series.
4. Here all functions are defined on $[-\pi, \pi]$. (a) Sketch their graphs as 2π -periodic functions, (b) find their Fourier series and (c) determine the convergence and uniform convergence of these Fourier series (if possible).

(a)

$$x^2 \sim \frac{\pi^2}{3} - 4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n^2} \cos nx,$$

(b)

$$|x| \sim \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n-1)^2} \cos(2n-1)x,$$

(c)

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in [0, \pi] \\ -1, & x \in [-\pi, 0] \end{cases} \sim \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n-1} \sin(2n-1)x,$$

(d)

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} x(\pi-x), & x \in [0, \pi] \\ x(\pi+x), & x \in (-\pi, 0) \end{cases} \sim \frac{8}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n-1)^3} \sin(2n-1)x.$$

5. Let f be a π -periodic function which is infinitely many times differentiable on \mathbb{R} . Show that its Fourier coefficients are of order $o(1/n^k)$ for any $k \geq 1$, that is, $a_n n^k, b_n n^k \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ for any k . Hint: Better use complex notation.
6. Let f be a 2π -periodic function whose derivative exists and is integrable on $[-\pi, \pi]$. Show that its Fourier series decay to 0 as $n \rightarrow \infty$ without appealing to Riemann-Lebesgue Lemma. Hint: Use integration by parts to relate the Fourier coefficients of f to those of f' .
7. Use the previous exercise to give prove Riemann-Lebesgue Lemma. Hint: Every integrable function can be approximated by C^1 -functions in appropriate sense.