

Fourier Series Review and Adjoint problems

-1. Regular office hours: Tuesdays 10:00am-12:30, or send email questions/requests for other times.

0. Reading: Haberman, Sections 3.1–3.5.<sup>1</sup>

1. Problem 5.10.6, page 220. Hint:  $\{\phi_k\}$  are  $\sigma(x)$ -orthogonal and normalized:  $\int \phi_k \phi_j \sigma dx = \begin{cases} 0 & j \neq k \\ 1 & j = k \end{cases}$

2. (a) Problem 3.3.4, page 114.  $f(x)$  is given on  $0 \leq x \leq L$ .

Sketch the appropriate periodic extension on  $-2L \leq x \leq 2L$ .

Before calculating the coefficients, predict their form for  $k \rightarrow \infty$  based on the continuity of  $f(x)$ .

Be careful of the singular case for  $k$  in the formula for the general coefficient (i.e. if any value of  $k$  looks like it might cause trouble for  $c_k$ , calculate that  $c_k$  separately)

(b) Use the cosine series found above to demonstrate that

$$(i) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4k^2 - 1} = \frac{1}{2} \qquad (ii) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{4k^2 - 1} = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\pi}{4}$$

(c) Use Parseval's theorem to determine the value of  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(4k^2 - 1)^2}$ .

3. Consider  $f(x) = x \sin(x)$  on  $0 \leq x \leq \pi$ .

(a) Sketch the periodic extensions on  $-2\pi \leq x \leq 2\pi$  corresponding to the cosine and sine series of  $f(x)$ . Before calculating the coefficients, predict their form for  $k \rightarrow \infty$  based on the continuity of  $f(x)$ .

(b) Calculate the coefficients for the cosine series. Be careful of the singular case for  $k$  in the formula for the general coefficient. Compare with your prediction from (a).

(c) Repeat (b) for the sine series.

4. (a) Re-read pages 120–121.

(b) Problem 3.4.1, page 124. Hint: Start by breaking up the integral into  $\int_a^b = \int_a^{c^-} + \int_{c^+}^b$ .

(c) Problem 3.4.3, page 125. Hint: Let  $f(x) = \sum c_k \phi_k(x)$  and  $f'(x) = \sum b_k \theta_k(x)$  and use (b).

5. Adjoint problems: operators and boundary conditions – For each of the following complete linear differential operators on  $0 \leq x \leq 1$ , use the adjoint relation,  $\langle v, Lu \rangle = \langle L^*v, u \rangle$ , to determine the differential operator and boundary conditions for the adjoint problem. In each case state if the operator and/or the full problem is self-adjoint.

(a)  $Ly \equiv \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} \quad 2y(0) + y'(0) = 0 \quad y(1) + y'(1) = 0.$

(b)  $Ly \equiv \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} \quad 2y(0) + y'(1) = 0 \quad y(1) = 0.$

(c)  $Ly \equiv \frac{d^4y}{dx^4} - \frac{dy}{dx} \quad y'(0) - y''(0) = 0 \quad y'''(0) = 0 \quad y(1) = 0 \quad y'(1) - y'''(1) = 0.$

(d)  $Ly \equiv \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - i \frac{dy}{dx} \quad y'(0) = 0 \quad y(1) = 0.$

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<sup>1</sup>**Policy on use of computers:** You are encouraged to use computer programs like Maple, Mathematica, Matlab, Octave, and Maxima to help check your calculations. However, since computers/calculators can not be used on the exams, you need to practice your calculation skill; the homework problems are the best preparation for the exams!