

Math 308 - Exam 3 - April 11, 2003

The test contains 8 questions, each of equal value. Whenever possible, answers should be written using exact numbers. For example: write $\frac{2}{3}$ instead of 0.67, π instead of 3.1415, e^2 instead of 7.4, etc.

1. Suppose that a given function $f(x)$ has Fourier series

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{i\pi} \left(\frac{e^{ix}}{1} + \frac{e^{i3x}}{3} + \frac{e^{i5x}}{5} + \cdots \right) + \frac{1}{i\pi} \left(\frac{e^{-ix}}{-1} + \frac{e^{-i3x}}{-3} + \frac{e^{-i5x}}{-5} + \cdots \right).$$

Express this as a real-valued Fourier series using sine/cosine terms.

2. Let $f(x)$ be a periodic function of period 2π such that

$$f(x) = e^x, \quad -\pi < x < \pi.$$

Determine the coefficient c_2 of the Fourier series $f(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{inx}$. Write c_2 in the form $a + ib$.

3. Let $f(x)$ be a periodic function of period $2l$ defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -1, & -l < x < 0 \\ 1, & 0 < x < l. \end{cases}$$

Find the Fourier series of F . (Write the first 3 non-zero terms of the sine/cosine series.)

4. Using Leibniz' rule, find the derivative

$$\frac{d^{100}}{dx^{100}} (x^2 e^{-x}).$$

5. Express the polynomial $x^2 + 3x + 1$ as a linear combination of the Legendre polynomials:

$$P_0(x) = 1, \quad P_1(x) = x, \quad P_2(x) = \frac{1}{2}(3x^2 - 1), \quad P_3(x) = \frac{1}{2}(5x^3 - 3x), \quad \dots$$

6. Find the Legendre series $c_0 P_0(x) + c_1 P_1(x) + c_2 P_2(x) + \cdots$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & -1 < x < 0 \\ x, & 0 < x < 1. \end{cases}$$

up to degree 3.

7. If $f(x)$ is the function given in Problem 6, sketch the graph of the function

$$g(x) = 1 - f(x) - f(-x).$$

8. Expand the function $g(x)$ of Problem 7 in Legendre series up to third degree terms.