

**Part IB Paper 6: Information Engineering****SIGNAL AND DATA ANALYSIS****Examples paper 5**

(Before starting this examples paper it is a good idea to revise your 1A Maths notes on Fourier Series and on Convolution )

**Revision of Fourier Series**

1 The function

$$y(x) = \begin{cases} x(\pi+x) & -\pi \leq x \leq 0 \\ x(\pi-x) & 0 \leq x \leq \pi \end{cases}$$

is represented by a Fourier series of period  $2\pi$ . Which derivatives (first, second, etc.) of the function represented by this Fourier series are continuous for all values of  $x$ ? How do the coefficients in the series vary with  $n$ ? Verify your answer to the latter question by evaluating the coefficients.

2 The function  $y(t)$  is represented by a Fourier Series of the form

$$y(t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \{a_n \cos(n\omega_0 t) + b_n \sin(n\omega_0 t)\} \quad \omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T}$$

over the range  $0 < t < T$ . By expressing the sines and cosines as complex exponentials, show that  $y$  can be represented by a complex Fourier Series of the form

$$y(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n \exp(jn\omega_0 t) ,$$

and find  $c_n$  in terms of the  $a$ 's and  $b$ 's. Pay particular attention to the cases  $n = 0$  and  $n$  negative.

Show that  $c_n^* = c_{-n}$ .

3 A function  $y(t)$  having period  $T$  is defined as

$$y(t) = \begin{cases} \exp(-\alpha t) & 0 \leq t \leq T/2 \\ 0 & T/2 \leq t \leq T \end{cases} .$$

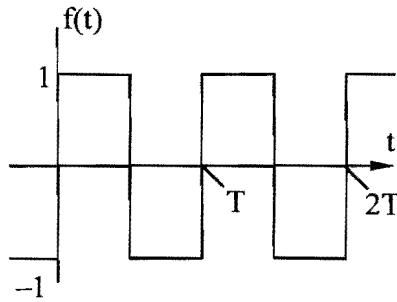
Obtain the coefficients  $c_n$  in the complex Fourier series for  $y(t)$ , where

$$y(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{2\pi i n t / T} .$$

Hence obtain the coefficients  $a_n$  and  $b_n$  in the real Fourier series for  $y(t)$ , where

$$y(t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos \frac{2\pi n t}{T} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin \frac{2\pi n t}{T} .$$

- 4 Show that the Fourier Series representation of the square wave function shown is



$$f(t) = \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ n \text{ odd}}}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \sin n \omega_0 t$$

$$\text{where } \omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T}$$

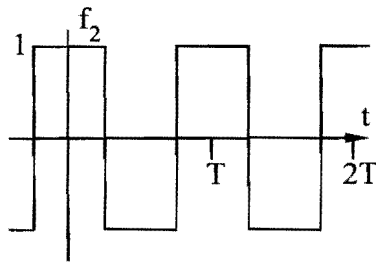
Hence find the coefficients  $c_n$  in the complex Fourier Series representation

$$f(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{j2\pi n t/T}$$

Verify that your answer is correct by finding  $c_n$  from the relationship

$$c_n = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T f(t) \exp[-jn\omega_0 t] dt.$$

- 5 Show that the square wave  $f_2(t)$ , which is symmetric about  $t = 0$ , is related to  $f(t)$  of question 4 by  $f_2(t) = f(t + a)$ , and find the value of  $a$ .



Using the result of question 4, show that

$$f_2(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} d_n e^{j2\pi n t/T}$$

$$\text{where } d_n = c_n \exp\left[\frac{jn\pi}{2}\right]$$

- 6 The coefficients in a complex Fourier Series representation of the function  $f(t)$  over the range  $0 < t < T$  are  $\frac{(-1)^n}{n^4}$ .

Which derivatives of  $f$  are continuous for all values of  $t$ ? Derive expressions for the complex coefficients in the Fourier Series representations of

$$(i) \frac{df}{dt} \quad (ii) \frac{d^2f}{dt^2} \quad (iii) \int f dt$$

In the last case what can you say about  $c_0$ ?

## Convolution

- 7 By evaluating the convolution integral directly, find the convolution of  $f(t)$  and  $g(t)$ , where

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} t & t \geq 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad g(t) = \begin{cases} \exp(-\alpha t) & t \geq 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases}.$$

- 8 For any functions  $f$  and  $g$  show that

$$\int_{\tau=0}^t f(\tau) g(t-\tau) d\tau = \int_{\tau=0}^t f(t-\tau) g(\tau) d\tau.$$

- 9 It is desired to find the convolution of the functions  $f$  and  $g$ , where

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 \leq t \leq T \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad g(t) = \begin{cases} \exp(-\alpha t) & t \geq 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases}.$$

For a fixed value of  $t$  ( $t > 0$ ), sketch  $f(\tau)$  and  $g(t-\tau)$  as functions of  $\tau$ . Using your sketches, explain why the convolution of  $f$  and  $g$  will have three different forms in the ranges

$$(i) \ t < 0 \quad (ii) \ 0 \leq t \leq T \quad (iii) \ T < t$$

Evaluate the convolution of  $f$  and  $g$ ,  $\int_{\tau=0}^t f(\tau) g(t-\tau) d\tau$ .

## Answers

- 1 The value and first derivative are continuous: the coefficients are  $O(1/n^3)$ .

$$y(x) = \frac{8}{\pi} \sum_n \frac{\sin nx}{n^3} \quad (n = 1, 3, 5, \dots)$$

$$2 \quad c_0 = \frac{a_0}{2}, \quad c_n = \frac{a_n - j b_n}{2} \quad \text{for } n > 0, \quad c_n = \frac{a_{-n} + j b_{-n}}{2} \quad \text{for } n < 0$$

$$3 \quad c_n = \frac{1 - e^{-\alpha T/2 - in\pi}}{\alpha T + 2in\pi}.$$

$$a_0 = \frac{2(1 - e^{-\alpha T/2})}{\alpha T} \quad a_n = \frac{2\alpha T(1 - e^{-\alpha T/2} \cos n\pi)}{\alpha^2 T^2 + 4n^2 \pi^2} \quad b_n = \frac{4n\pi(1 - e^{-\alpha T/2} \cos n\pi)}{\alpha^2 T^2 + 4n^2 \pi^2}$$

4  $c_n = \frac{2}{jn\pi}$  for  $n$  odd (valid for positive and negative  $n$ ),  $c_n = 0$   $n$  even .

5  $a = \frac{T}{4}$

6 The value, first and second derivatives are continuous.

(i)  $j\omega_0 \frac{(-1)^n}{n^3}$  (ii)  $\omega_0^2 \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n^2}$

(iii)  $\frac{(-1)^n}{j\omega_0 n^5}$   $c_0$  depends on constant of integration.

7  $\frac{t}{\alpha} - \frac{1}{\alpha^2} + \frac{e^{-\alpha t}}{\alpha^2}$  for  $t \geq 0$  (and 0 for  $t < 0$ ).

9 (i) 0 (ii)  $\frac{1 - e^{-\alpha t}}{\alpha}$  (iii)  $\frac{e^{-\alpha(t-T)} - e^{-\alpha t}}{\alpha}$