



Fourier series MCQ

Engineering Mathematics (Lovely Professional University)

OBJECTIVE TYPE QUESTIONS

A. Fill up the blanks

1. The formula for the Fourier coefficients a_n, b_n for $f(x)$ in $(-\pi, \pi)$ are _____.
2. If $f(x)$ is an even function in $(-\pi, \pi)$, then the Fourier coefficients are $a_n =$ _____, $b_n =$ _____.
3. If $f(x) = x^2 + x$ is expressed as a Fourier series in $(-2, 2)$, then $f(2) =$ _____.
4. If the Fourier series for the function $f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 < x < \pi \\ \sin x, & \pi < x < 2\pi \end{cases}$ is $f(x) = -\frac{1}{\pi} + \frac{2}{\pi} \left[\frac{\cos 2x}{1 \cdot 3} + \frac{\cos 4x}{3 \cdot 5} + \frac{\cos 6x}{5 \cdot 7} + \dots \right] + \frac{\sin x}{2}$, then $\frac{1}{1 \cdot 3} - \frac{1}{3 \cdot 5} + \frac{1}{5 \cdot 7} - \dots =$ _____.
5. The half-range sine series for $f(x) = x$ in $(0, \pi)$ is _____.
6. The Dirichlet's conditions for $f(x)$ is $c < x < c + 2\pi$ to have a Fourier series expansion are _____.
7. The value of $f(2)$ in the half-range cosine series for $f(x) = x^2$ in $(0, 2)$ is _____.
8. The root mean square value of $f(x) = x^2$ in $(0, 6)$ is _____.
9. The half-range sine series for $f(x) = x(\pi - x)$ in $(0, \pi)$ is $x(\pi - x) = \frac{8}{\pi} \left[\frac{\sin x}{1^3} + \frac{\sin 3x}{3^3} + \frac{\sin 5x}{5^3} + \dots \right]$ then the value of $\frac{1}{1^3} - \frac{1}{3^3} + \frac{1}{5^3} - \frac{1}{7^3} + \dots =$ _____.
10. The half-range cosine series for $f(x) = (x - 1)^2$ in $(0, 1)$ is $f(x) = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \cos n\pi x$, then the value of $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4}$ is _____.
11. The Fourier series for $f(x) = x$ in $(0, 2\pi)$ is $\frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos nx + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin nx$, then the value of $\frac{a_0^2}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n^2 + b_n^2)$ is _____.
12. If the half-range cosine series of $f(x) = \begin{cases} \pi x, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ \pi(2 - x), & 1 < x \leq 2 \end{cases}$ is $f(x) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{4}{\pi} \left[\frac{\cos \pi x}{1^2} + \frac{\cos 3\pi x}{3^2} + \frac{\cos 5\pi x}{5^2} + \dots \right]$ then $\frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \dots =$ _____.
13. If the Fourier series of $f(x) = x(2\pi - x)$ in $(0, 2\pi)$ is $x(2\pi - x) = \frac{2\pi^2}{3} - 4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos nx}{n^2}$, then the sum of the series $\frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \dots =$ _____.

14. If $f(x)$ is discontinuous at $x = a$, then the sum of the Fourier series of $f(x)$ when $x = a$ is _____.
15. The Parseval's identity for the half-range cosine expansion of $f(x)$ in $(0, 1)$ is _____.

B. Choose the correct answer

- The value of the constant term in the Fourier series expansion of $\cos^2 x$ in $(-\pi, \pi)$ is
 (a) 1 (b) $\frac{1}{2}$ (c) $\frac{\pi}{2}$ (d) π
- The value of b_n in the Fourier series expansion of $f(x) = x^2$ in $(-\pi, \pi)$ is
 (a) 0 (b) 2π (c) $\frac{\pi}{2}$ (d) $\frac{\pi^2}{4}$
- The value of a_n in the Fourier series of $f(x) = x - x^3$ in $(-\pi, \pi)$ is
 (a) $\frac{\pi}{2}(2 - \pi^2)$ (b) $\frac{\pi}{4}(2 - \pi^2)$ (c) 0 (d) None of these
- The Fourier of $f(x) = \begin{cases} \sin x, & 0 \leq x \leq \pi \\ 0, & \pi < x \leq 2\pi \end{cases}$ of period 2π is

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} + \frac{1}{2}\sin x - \frac{2}{\pi} \left[\frac{\cos 2x}{1 \cdot 3} + \frac{\cos 4x}{3 \cdot 5} + \frac{\cos 6x}{5 \cdot 7} + \dots \right]$$
, then the value of $\frac{1}{1 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 5} + \frac{1}{5 \cdot 7} + \dots$ is
 (a) 1 (b) π (c) $\frac{1}{2}$ (d) $\frac{\pi}{2}$
- The Fourier series of $f(x) = x + x^2$ in $(-\pi, \pi)$ is $\frac{\pi^2}{3} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left[\frac{4}{n^2} \cos nx - \frac{2}{n} \sin nx \right]$, then the value of $\frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \dots$ is
 (a) $\frac{\pi - 2}{4}$ (b) $\frac{\pi^2}{6}$ (c) $\frac{\pi^2}{8}$ (d) $\frac{\pi^2}{12}$
- If $f(x) = 2x$ in $(0, 4)$, then the value of a_2 in the Fourier series expansion of period 4 is
 (a) 4 (b) 2 (c) 0 (d) 3
- The root mean square value of $f(x) = 1 - x$ in $0 < x < 1$ is
 (a) $\frac{1}{2}$ (b) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ (c) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ (d) 1
- If the Fourier series for $f(x)$ in $(0, 2\pi)$ is $f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin nx}{n}$, then the root mean value is
 (a) $\frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{3}}$ (b) $\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{3}}$ (c) $\frac{\pi}{3\sqrt{2}}$ (d) $\frac{\pi^2}{\sqrt{3}}$
- The Fourier coefficient b_n for $x \sin x$ in $[-\pi, \pi]$ is
 (a) $\frac{1}{2}$ (b) 0 (c) $\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{3}}$ (d) $\frac{\pi}{3}$
- The Fourier series for $f(x) = \begin{cases} -k, & -\pi < x < 0 \\ k, & 0 < x < \pi \end{cases}$ is $f(x) = \frac{4k}{\pi} \left[\sin x + \frac{1}{3} \sin 3x + \frac{1}{5} \sin 5x + \dots \right]$, then the value of $1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \dots$ is
 (a) $\frac{\pi}{6}$ (b) $\frac{\pi^2}{6}$ (c) $\frac{\pi}{4}$ (d) $\frac{\pi^2}{4}$
- The half-range cosine series for $f(x) = x$ in $(0, \pi)$ is $x = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{n \text{ odd}} \frac{\cos nx}{n^2}$, then the value of $\frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \dots$ is
 (a) $\frac{\pi^2}{6}$ (b) $\frac{\pi^2}{8}$ (c) $\frac{\pi^2}{12}$ (d) $\frac{\pi}{4}$

12. The half-range cosine series for $f(x) = x(\pi - x)$ in $0 < x < \pi$ is $x(\pi - x) = \frac{\pi^2}{6} - \left[\frac{\cos 2x}{1^2} + \frac{\cos 4x}{2^2} + \frac{\cos 6x}{3^2} + \dots \right]$,
then the value of $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4} =$ (a) $\frac{\pi^4}{8}$ (b) $\frac{\pi^4}{96}$ (c) $\frac{\pi^4}{90}$ (d) $\frac{\pi^2}{90}$
13. If the Fourier series of $f(x) = x(2l - x)$ is $(0, 2l)$ of period $2l$ is $f(x) = \frac{2}{3}l^2 - \frac{4}{\pi^2}l^2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right)$,
then the value of $\frac{1}{1^2} - \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} - \frac{1}{4^2} + \dots$ is (a) $\frac{\pi^2}{6}$ (b) $\frac{\pi^2}{8}$ (c) $\frac{\pi^2}{12}$ (d) $\frac{\pi^2}{4}$
14. If $x = \frac{l}{2} - \frac{4l}{\pi^2} \left(\cos \frac{\pi x}{l} + \frac{1}{3^2} \cos \frac{3\pi x}{l} + \frac{1}{5^2} \cos \frac{5\pi x}{l} + \dots \right)$ in $0 < x < l$, $f(x + 2l) = f(x)$,
then the value of $\frac{1}{1^4} + \frac{1}{3^4} + \frac{1}{5^4} + \dots$ is (a) $\frac{\pi^2}{32}$ (b) $\frac{\pi^4}{96}$ (c) $\frac{\pi^4}{90}$ (d) None of these
15. If the half-range cosine series for $f(x) = (x - 1)^2$, $0 < x < 1$, is $f(x) = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \cos n\pi x$, then the value of
 $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4}$ is (a) $\frac{\pi^4}{90}$ (b) $\frac{\pi^4}{96}$ (c) $\frac{\pi^2}{16}$ (d) None of these

ANSWERS

A. Fill up the blanks

- $a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx \, dx$, $n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$, $b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx \, dx$, $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$
- $a_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx \, dx$, $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ and $b_n = 0$, $n = 1, 2, 3, 4$
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- $\frac{\pi - 2}{4}$
- $2 \left[\sin x - \frac{1}{2} \sin 2x + \frac{1}{3} \sin 3x - \dots \right]$
- Refer definition 17.3, page 17.2.
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- $\frac{l^2}{\sqrt{5}}$
- $\frac{\pi^3}{32}$
- $\frac{\pi^4}{90}$
- $\frac{8\pi^2}{3}$
- $\frac{\pi^2}{8}$
- $\frac{\pi^2}{6}$
- $\frac{1}{2} [f(a-) + f(a+)]$
- $\int_0^1 [f(x)^2] dx = \frac{a_0^2}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n^2$

B. Choose the correct answer

- (b)
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