

Chapter 33 Problems

Problem 2

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_n &= \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) (1 + 4x^2 - x^3) dx \\
 &= \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) (1 + 4x^2) dx \\
 &= \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L \left(\cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) + 4x^2 \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \right) dx \\
 &= \frac{8}{L} \int_0^L x^2 \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx \\
 &= (-1)^n \frac{16L^2}{n^2\pi^2} \\
 a_0 &= \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L (1 + 4x^2 - x^3) dx \\
 &= \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L (1 + 4x^2) dx \\
 &= \frac{2}{L} \left(L + \frac{4}{3}L^3 \right) \\
 &= 2 \left(1 + \frac{4}{3}L^2 \right) \\
 b_n &= \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) (1 + 4x^2 - x^3) dx \\
 &= -\frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) x^3 dx. \\
 &= (-1)^n \frac{2L^3}{\pi^3 n^3} (\pi^2 n^2 - 6).
 \end{aligned}$$

Problem 4

(a) We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) &= \frac{1}{2}a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) + b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \\
 &= c_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \frac{e^{in\pi x/L} + e^{i(-n)\pi x/L}}{2} - ib_n \frac{e^{in\pi x/L} - e^{i(-n)\pi x/L}}{2} \\
 &= c_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} (a_n - ib_n) e^{in\pi x/L} + \frac{1}{2} (a_n + ib_n) e^{i(-n)\pi x/L} \\
 &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{in\pi x/L}.
 \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$c_n = \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L e^{-in\pi x/L} f(x) dx$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L \left(\cos \left(\frac{n\pi x}{L} \right) + i \sin \left(\frac{n\pi x}{L} \right) \right) f(x) dx \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L \cos \left(\frac{n\pi x}{L} \right) f(x) dx + \frac{i}{L} \int_{-L}^L \sin \left(\frac{n\pi x}{L} \right) f(x) dx \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{2} (a_0 + a_n - \operatorname{sgn}(n) i b_n).
\end{aligned}$$

Problem 5

We have that, for $-\pi < a < \pi$,

$$\begin{aligned}
c_n &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \delta(x - a) e^{-in\pi x} dx \\
&= \frac{1}{2\pi} e^{-in\pi a},
\end{aligned}$$

meaning

$$\delta(x - a) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-in\pi a}.$$

Problem 7

Since $\sin x \cos x$ is odd, we only have sines in our Fourier expansion, yielding

$$\begin{aligned}
b_n &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin(nx) \sin(x) \cos(x) dx \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \sin(2x).
\end{aligned}$$

This yields the familiar identity

$$\sin(2x) = 2 \sin x \cos x.$$

Problem 11

(a) For $\sin(x + \pi/4)$ considered as a function with period 2π , we have

$$\sin(x + \pi/4) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cos(x) + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \sin(x).$$

(b) For $\sin(x + \pi/4)$ considered as a function with period π , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
a_0 &= \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{\pi} \\
a_n &= \frac{\sqrt{2}(1 + (-1)^n)}{\pi(1 - n^2)} \\
b_n &= \frac{\sqrt{2}n(1 + (-1)^n)}{\pi(n^2 - 1)}.
\end{aligned}$$

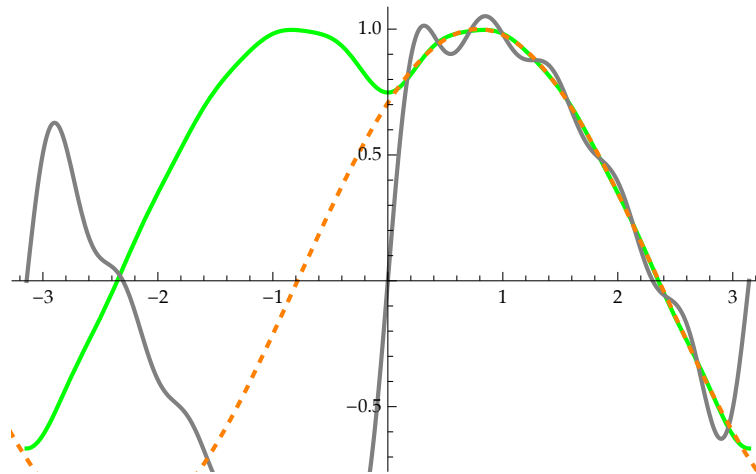
(c) For $\sin(x + \pi/4)$ considered as an even function with period 2π , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
a_0 &= \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{\pi} \\
a_n &= \frac{\sqrt{2}(1 + (-1)^n)}{\pi(1 - n^2)},
\end{aligned}$$

(d) For $\sin(x + \pi/4)$ considered as an odd function with period π , we have

$$b_n = \frac{\sqrt{2}n(1 + (-1)^n)}{\sqrt{2}(n^2 - 1)}.$$

Plotting, we get the following graph.



Problem 16

(a) We have

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 &= \frac{1}{2}\pi \\ a_n &= \frac{1}{\pi n^2} (-1 + (-1)^n) \\ b_n &= \frac{\pi}{n} (-1)^{n+1} \\ f(x) &= \frac{\pi}{4} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\pi}{n} (-1)^{n+1} \sin(nx) + \frac{1}{\pi n^2} (1 + (-1)^n) \cos(nx). \end{aligned}$$

(b) Evaluating at $x = 0$, we find the sine portion goes away, yielding

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \frac{\pi}{4} \sum_{n \text{ odd}} -\frac{2}{\pi n^2} \\ \frac{\pi^2}{8} &= \sum_{n \text{ odd}} \frac{1}{n^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Evaluating at $x = \pi$, we get

$$\frac{3\pi^2}{8} = \sum_{n \text{ odd}} \frac{1}{n^2}.$$

The value at $x = 0$ is correct due to ringing at the jump discontinuity at $x = \pi$.

Problem 17

(a)

$$\zeta(2) = \frac{\pi^2}{6}$$

(b)

$$\frac{1}{16} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n^2}.$$

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Problem 5

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x)|^2 dx &= \langle f | f \rangle \\ &= \left\langle \frac{a_0}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos(nx) + b_n \sin(nx) \left| \frac{a_0}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos(nx) + b_n \sin(nx) \right. \right\rangle \\ &= \left| \frac{a_0}{2} \right|^2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|^2 + |b_n|^2 \\ &= \left\langle \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{inx} \left| \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{inx} \right. \right\rangle \\ &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_n|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Problem 8

We have

$$\begin{aligned} c_0 &= \frac{1}{12} \\ c_n &= \frac{(-1)^n}{2n^2\pi^2} \\ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x^4 dx &= \frac{1}{80} \\ \frac{1}{80} &= \frac{1}{144} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4n^4\pi^4} \\ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4} &= \frac{\pi^4}{90}. \end{aligned}$$