

# Methods of Applied Mathematics I

## HW4

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### 1 EXERCISE4.1

Let  $f(x)$  be extended as

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x(\pi - x) & x \in [2n\pi, (2n+1)\pi] \\ -x(\pi - x) & x \in [-(2n-1)\pi, 2n\pi] \end{cases} \quad (1.1)$$

Then  $f(x)$  is both odd and periodic. Thus fouier-sine series can be employed.

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin(nx) \quad (1.2)$$

Coefficients  $b_n$  are calculated by

$$\begin{aligned} b_n &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) \sin(nx) dx \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x(\pi - x) \sin(nx) dx \\ &= \frac{4[1 - (-1)^n]}{n^3 \pi} \quad (\text{Integrate by parts}) \end{aligned} \quad (1.3)$$

Thus

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{8 \sin(2k+1)x}{\pi(2k+1)^3} \quad (1.4)$$

Taking  $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$  yields

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k+1)^3} = \frac{\pi^3}{32} \quad (1.5)$$

## 2 EXERCISE4.2

1. *Proof.* The orthogonal property is justified as

$$\int_0^{\pi} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}}\right)^2 dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} dx = 1 \quad (2.1)$$

$$\int_0^{\pi} \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \cos(nx)\right)^2 dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \cos^2(nx) dx = 1 \quad (2.2)$$

$$\int_0^{\pi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \cos(nx) dx = 0 \quad (2.3)$$

$$\int_0^{\pi} \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \cos(nx) \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \cos(mx) dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \cos(nx) \cos(mx) dx = 0 \quad (2.4)$$

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2. *Proof.*

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