

## 7.10 PDE HW 10

### Question 174

Consider

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^{2n}$$

- (a) Does it converge pointwise in  $(-1, 1)$ ?
- (b) Does it converge uniformly in  $(-1, 1)$ ?
- (c) Does it converge in  $L^2$  in  $(-1, 1)$ ?

*Proof.* Geometric series as such obviously converges to

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^{2n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-x^2)^n = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$$

Note that the remainder can also be computed by

$$\sup_{x \in (-1, 1)} \left| \sum_{n=N}^{\infty} (-x^2)^n \right| = \sup_{x \in (-1, 1)} \left| \frac{-x^{2N}}{1+x^2} \right| = \frac{1}{2} \text{ for all } N$$

It follows that the series does NOT converge uniformly on  $(-1, 1)$ . Compute

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-1}^1 \left( \sum_{n=N}^{\infty} (-x^2)^n \right)^2 dx &= \int_{-1}^1 \left( \frac{-x^{2N}}{1+x^2} \right)^2 dx \\ &= \int_{-1}^1 \frac{x^{4N}}{(1+x^2)^2} dx \\ &\leq \int_{-1}^1 x^{4N} dx = \frac{x^{4N+1}}{4N+1} \Big|_{x=-1}^1 \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

It follows that the series does converge in  $L^2$ . ■

### Question 175

(Term by Term integration)

- (a) If  $f(x)$  is a piecewise continuous function in  $[-l, l]$ , show that its definite integral  $F(x) = \int_{-l}^x f(s) ds$  has a full Fourier series that converges pointwise.

(b) Write this convergent series for  $F(x)$  explicitly in terms of the Fourier coefficients  $a_0, a_n, b_n$  of  $f(x)$  where  $a_0 = 0$ . (Hint: Apply a convergence Theorem. Write the formulas for the coefficients and integrate by parts.)

*Proof.* Part (a) follows from observing  $F' = f$  is pointwise continuous so that the classical Fourier series of  $F$  converges to  $F$  by Theorem 4 in the textbook.

Write

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) + b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right)$$

Note that the definition of piece wise continuity in this book implies boundedness on compact domain, and note that each term

$$\sum_{n=1}^N a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) + b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right)$$

is obviously bounded on  $[-l, l]$ . Then because  $f$  is bounded on  $[-l, l]$ , we know

$$\sum_{n=1}^N a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) + b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) \text{ is uniformly bounded on } [-l, l]$$

Therefore, we may apply DCT to compute

$$\begin{aligned} F(x) &= \int_{-l}^x \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi s}{l}\right) + b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi s}{l}\right) ds \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{-l}^x a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi s}{l}\right) + b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi s}{l}\right) ds \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n l}{n\pi} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) + \frac{-b_n l}{n\pi} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{l}\right) + \frac{-(-1)^n b_n l}{n\pi} \end{aligned}$$

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