



Oscillations, Wave and Optics

(SPRING 2025)

ASSIGNMENT-0

Topics: Basic Math (Calculus, Taylor Series, Fourier Series, ODE)

Total Marks: 50

Date: 23rd Jan, 2025

Due: 23rd Feb, 2025 (EoD)

Problem-1

[10]

(a) Solve $4y'' + 4y' + 37y = 0$ and find $y(x)$ for the given boundary conditions:

(i) $y(x=0) = 0$, (ii) $y(x = \frac{\pi}{6}) = \exp(-\frac{\pi^2}{12})$.

Crosscheck the solution; check whether your solution satisfies the ODE.

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(b) Make a hand-drawn plot of the solution in the x-y plane using the reference informations:

(i) $\exp(-\frac{1}{2}) \approx 0.6$, (ii) $\exp(-\frac{5}{4}) \approx 0.3$, (iii) $\exp(-\frac{9}{4}) \approx 0.1$

Also briefly mention how you are using the provided informations for plotting.

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(c) Taylor expand the solution about $x=0$. (Error/deviation of the order x^5 is acceptable).

Also, estimate the leading order error term in your truncated Taylor series at $x=1$.

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Problem-2

[10]

(a) (i) $x = \sin t$, (ii) $y = \cos 2t$

plot these two equations in the t-x and t-y planes, respectively. (In range $t = [0, 2\pi]$).

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(b) For a constant t, you will get the x-value and y-value using those two equations. Use a set of t-values to get a set of x-values and y-values. Use those x-values and y-values to find the trajectory of the particle in the x-y plane.

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(c) You can also use the trigonometric identities to solve those two equations for t to get y as a function of x. Plot that function in the respective limits of x and y. And check whether the plot is equivalent to the plot in section-(b).

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Problem-3

[10]

(a) Integrate the function $f(x) = x^2$ for the range of $x = [-\pi, \pi]$.

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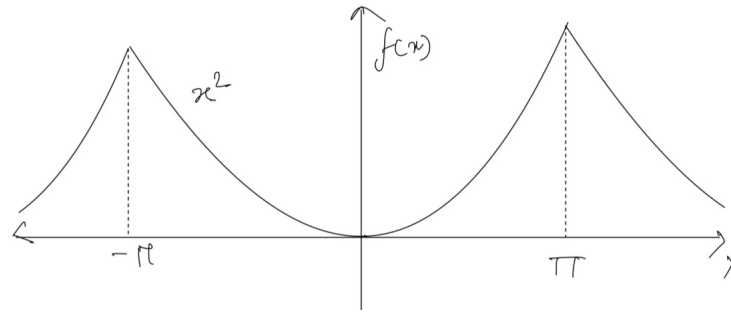
(b) considering $f(x)$ to be periodic, that means $f(x + 2\pi) = f(x)$.

Find the Fourier series of the function. Determine whether it is necessary to evaluate the sine integral as part of the process, and justify your answer with proper reasoning.

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(c) Determine the number of terms n in the Fourier series expansion such that the leading-order error is less than 0.1% of the value of the truncated Taylor series at $x = \pi$.

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(d) Integrate the truncated Fourier series in the same limit of x and determine the deviation with respect to the integration result at part-(a). 2

[You can use some advanced calculator or write a few lines of code to perform the term-wise summation. Just mention how you are doing the calculations.]

Problem-4: Calculate Integrals

[10]

1. $\int (2\cos 2x - \sin 2x) e^{-x} dx$
2. $\int \sin x \sin 5x \cos 2x dx$
3. $\int_0^\infty \sinh 3x e^{-2x} dx$
4. $\int_0^\pi \cos 2x dx$
5. $\int_0^\pi \cos^2 2x dx$

Problem-5: Solve the equations and find the roots

[6]

1. $\int f(x) dx = \cos 4x + \sin^2 2x - 1$ find $f(x)$.
2. $\int f(x) dx = \cos 2x e^{-x} + t^5$ [t is independent of x] find $f(x)$.
3. $\cos 4x + \sin^2 2x - 1 = 0$ find roots/ general solution.

Problem-6:

[4]

Prove the relation:

$$\cos \omega t + \cos(\omega t - \phi) + \cos(\omega t - 2\phi) + \dots + \cos(\omega t - (n-1)\phi) = \frac{\sin(\frac{n\phi}{2})}{\sin(\frac{\phi}{2})} \cos(\omega t - \frac{1}{2}(n-1)\phi)$$

Hint: Try to use complex definition of $\cos \theta$, rearrange the terms and use geometric series formula.