

PARTIAL DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

Quiz 2, time 15 minutes

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1. The function  $f(x)$  is **even** and has **period**  $2\pi$ . The function is defined for  $0 \leq x \leq \pi$  by

$$f(x) = \pi - x, \quad 0 \leq x \leq \pi. \quad (1)$$

- (a) [3 marks] Sketch the graph of  $f(x)$  for the region  $-3\pi \leq x \leq 3\pi$ .  
(b) [3 marks] Using the definition of the derivative  $f'(x)$  as the slope of the of the graph of  $f$  at the point  $x$ , sketch the graph of  $f'(x)$  for the region  $-3\pi \leq x \leq 3\pi$ .

2. You are given that the function  $f(x)$  defined in Question 1. has Fourier Cosine series

$$f(x) = \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1 - (-1)^n)}{n^2} \cos(nx) \quad (2)$$

(No need to calculate this!)

- (a) [3 marks] By evaluating  $f(x)$  at  $x = 0$  show that

$$\frac{\pi^2}{8} = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2m-1)^2} \quad (3)$$

- (b) [3 marks] Say why it is permitted to differentiate the Fourier series for  $f(x)$  given in equation (2) term by term to obtain the Fourier series for  $f'(x)$ .  
(c) [3 marks] Differentiate the Fourier series given by (2) to obtain the Fourier Sine series for  $f'(x)$ .  
(d) [3 marks] Is it permitted to differentiate the Fourier series given by (2) a second time to obtain a Fourier series for  $f''(x)$ ?

**Total 18 marks**