

# MA 428 Exam 1 solutions

$$1. \quad a_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} 1 dx = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos nx dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \cos nx dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{n} \sin nx \right]_0^{\pi} = 0 - 0 = 0$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \sin nx dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -\frac{1}{n} \cos nx \right]_0^{\pi} = \frac{1}{\pi n} \left[ -\cos n\pi - (-1) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi n} \left[ 1 - (-1)^n \right] = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{\pi n} & n \text{ odd} \\ 0 & n \text{ even} \end{cases}$$

Parseval's:  $\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x)^2 dx = 2a_0^2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n^2 + b_n^2)$

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} 1^2 dx = 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ n \text{ odd}}}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{n}\right)^2$$

$$1 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{4}{\pi^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n-1)^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \dots = \frac{\pi^2}{8}$$

2.  $P_0(x) \equiv A$  is a trig poly of degree zero:  $A = Ae^{i0 \cdot x}$ . Among all trig polys of degree zero, the Fourier partial sum  $S_0(x) = a_0$  is the best approximation to  $g(x)$  in  $L^2[-\pi, \pi]$ . So the

answer is  $A = a_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} g(x) dx$

= the average value of  $g$  on  $[-\pi, \pi]$ .

3. Write  $\lambda = k^2$ . The characteristic eqn is

$$r^2 + k^2 = 0. \text{ So } r = \pm ki \text{ and the gen } ^e$$

$$\text{sol}^n \text{ is } X(x) = c_1 \cos kx + c_2 \sin kx.$$

$$X'(x) = -c_1 k \sin kx + c_2 k \cos kx$$

Want  $X'(0) = -c_1 \cdot 0 + c_2 k \cdot 1 = c_2 k \stackrel{\text{want}}{=} 0$

So  $c_2 = 0$

and  $X'(\pi) = -c_1 k \sin k\pi \stackrel{\text{want}}{=} 0$

To get a non-zero  $\text{sol}^n$ , we need  $c_1 \neq 0$ , so we must have  $\sin k\pi = 0$ .

$\sin \theta$  is zero for positive  $\theta$  only when

$\theta = n\pi$ ,  $n=1, 2, 3, \dots$ . Hence, we

need  $K\pi = n\pi$ ,  $n=1, 2, 3, \dots$ , i.e.,

$$\boxed{K=n} \quad n=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Ans:  $\lambda_n^2 = K^2 = n^2$ ,  $n=1, 2, 3, \dots$

$$X_n(x) = c \cos nx \quad (c \neq 0)$$

$$4. 1 - \cos \theta + \cos 2\theta + \dots + (-1)^N \cos N\theta$$

$$= \operatorname{Re} \left[ 1 - e^{i\theta} + e^{i2\theta} + \dots + (-1)^N e^{iN\theta} \right]$$

$$= \operatorname{Re} \left[ 1 + (-z) + (-z)^2 + \dots + (-z)^N \right] =$$

$$\text{where } z = e^{i\theta}$$

$$= \operatorname{Re} \left[ \frac{1 - (-z)^{N+1}}{1 - (-z)} \right]$$

$$= \operatorname{Re} \left[ \frac{1 - (-1)^{N+1} e^{i(N+1)\theta}}{1 + e^{i\theta}} \right]$$

Path 1:

$$= \operatorname{Re} \left[ \frac{1 - (-1)^{N+1} e^{i(N+1)\theta}}{1 + e^{i\theta}} \cdot \frac{e^{-i\theta/2}/2}{e^{-i\theta/2}/2} \right]$$

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$$= \operatorname{Re} \left[ \frac{\frac{1}{2} (e^{-i\theta/2} - (-1)^{N+1} e^{i(N+\frac{1}{2})\theta})}{\cos \frac{\theta}{2}} \right]$$

$$= \frac{\cos \frac{\theta}{2} - (-1)^{N+1} \cos(N+\frac{1}{2})\theta}{2 \cos \frac{\theta}{2}}$$

Path 2 :

$$= \operatorname{Re} \left[ \frac{(1 - (-1)^{N+1} \cos(N+1)\theta) + i(-1)^{N+1} \sin(N+1)\theta}{(1 + \cos\theta) + i \sin\theta} \right]$$

$$= \operatorname{Re} \left[ \frac{A + Bi}{C + Di} \cdot \frac{C - Di}{C - Di} \right]$$

$$= \frac{AC + BD}{C^2 + D^2} \quad \text{where} \quad C = 1 + \cos\theta \\ D = \sin\theta$$

$$A = 1 - (-1)^{N+1} \cos(N+1)\theta \quad \text{and} \quad B = (-1)^{N+1} \sin(N+1)\theta.$$