

## Math 121A: Homework 6 (due March 13)

1. Consider the function  $f(x) = x(\pi - x)$  defined on  $0 \leq x \leq \pi$ .
  - (a) Calculate the Fourier sine series  $f_s$  and Fourier cosine series  $f_c$  of  $f$ .
  - (b) For both  $f_s$  and  $f_c$ , plot the sum of the first four non-zero terms over the range  $-\pi \leq x < \pi$  and compare with the exact solution. Which series is more accurate and why?
  - (c) By evaluating  $f_s(\frac{\pi}{2})$  and  $f_c(\frac{\pi}{2})$ , find two expressions for  $\pi^3$  and  $\pi^2$  as infinite series of fractions.
  - (d) By using Parseval's theorem find expressions for  $\pi^6$  and  $\pi^4$  as infinite series of fractions.
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4. Let  $f(x) = \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{inx}$ . Suppose that  $f'(x) = \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} d_n e^{inx}$  and  $f(x-l) = \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} q_n e^{inx}$ . Express the coefficients  $d_n$  and  $q_n$  in terms of  $c_n$ .

5. Let  $f$  and  $g$  be periodic functions on the interval  $-\pi \leq x < \pi$ , with complex Fourier series

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{inx}, \quad g(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} d_n e^{inx}.$$

Let  $f * g$  be the *convolution* of  $f$  and  $g$ , defined as

$$(f * g)(x) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(y)g(x-y)dy.$$

Calculate the complex Fourier series coefficients of  $f * g$  in terms of  $c_n$  and  $d_n$ .

6. (a) Calculate the Fourier series of the function defined on  $-\pi \leq x < \pi$  as

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } |x| < \pi/2, \\ 0 & \text{for } |x| \geq \pi/2. \end{cases}$$

- (b) Let  $f_\lambda(x)$  be a filtered version of  $f$ , in which the higher frequency components are damped: if  $f$  has Fourier coefficients  $a_n$  and  $b_n$ , then let  $f_\lambda$  have coefficients  $\lambda^n a_n, \lambda^n b_n$ . Plot  $f$ , and  $f_\lambda$  for the cases of  $\lambda = 0.7, 0.8, 0.9$ .
- (c) By making use of the result from question 5, find a function  $K_\lambda(x)$  such that  $f_\lambda = K_\lambda * f$  for any function  $f$ . Plot  $K_\lambda$  for  $\lambda = 0.7, 0.8, 0.9$ .