

Math 2080: Differential Equations

Worksheet 6.1: Introduction to Fourier series

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1. Let $\mathbf{n}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{2}/2 \\ \sqrt{2}/2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{n}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -\sqrt{2}/2 \\ \sqrt{2}/2 \end{bmatrix}$. Write the vector $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ as $\mathbf{v} = a_1\mathbf{n}_1 + a_2\mathbf{n}_2$. That is, find a_1 and a_2 .

2. Find the Fourier series of the following functions *without* computing any integrals:

(a) $f(x) = 2 - 3 \sin 4x + 5 \sin 6x$, [*Hint*: Very simple, purely by inspection.]

(b) $f(x) = \sin^2 x$. [*Hint*: Use a standard trig identity.]