

1. Consider the function  $f(x) = L - x$  defined on the interval  $[-L, L]$  and extended to be  $2L$ -periodic.
  - (a) Sketch  $f(x)$  on the interval  $[-7L, 7L]$ .
  - (b) Compute the complex Fourier series of  $f(x)$ .
  - (c) Find the real Fourier series of  $f(x)$ . [*Hint*: Use  $a_n = c_n + c_{-n}$ , and  $b_n = i(c_n - c_{-n})$ .]
  - (d) Sketch the Fourier series of  $f(x)$ . [It will be the same as the answer to Part (a) *except* at the points of discontinuity.]

2. Consider the  $2\pi$ -periodic function defined on  $[-\pi, \pi]$  by

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & -\pi \leq t < 0, \\ t & 0 \leq t \leq \pi, \end{cases}$$

- (a) Sketch the graph of  $f(t)$  on  $[-7\pi, 7\pi]$ .
- (b) Compute the complex Fourier series of  $f(t)$ .
- (c) Solve the differential equation  $x''(t) + \omega_0^2 x(t) = f(t)$ . Look for a particular solution of the form

$$x_p(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{inx}.$$

3. Consider the function defined by

$$f(x) = x^2 \quad \text{for } -\pi < x \leq \pi.$$

and extended to be periodic of period  $T = 2\pi$ .

- (a) Find the complex form Fourier series of  $f(x)$ . Feel free to use a computer to find the indefinite integral  $\int x^2 e^{-inx} dx$ .
  - (b) Find the real form of the Fourier series.
  - (c) Use Part (b), along with the real version of Parseval's identity to compute  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4}$ .
4. Consider the  $2\pi$ -periodic function  $f$  defined on  $[-\pi, \pi]$  by  $f(x) = |x|$ .
    - (a) What is  $f(\pi)$ ?
    - (b) Compute the Fourier series of  $f$ .
    - (c) Plug  $x = \pi$  into the Fourier series and use this to compute  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n+1)^2}$ .

5. Consider a complex Fourier series

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{in\pi x/L},$$

Prove the complex version of *Parseval's identity*, which says that

$$\frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L (f(x))^2 dx = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n^2.$$

Observe that this is in a sense an infinite-dimensional version of the Pythagorean theorem, because

$$\|f\|^2 := \langle f, f \rangle := \frac{1}{2L} \int_{-L}^L (f(x))^2 dx = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n^2 := \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |\langle f, e^{in\pi x/L} \rangle|^2.$$