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Instructions

Answer all questions.

Symbols have the usual meanings

Question 1

1.1 Show that an even function can have no sine terms in its Fourier expansion. (4)

1.2 If $f(x)$ is an odd function, show that $a_n = 0$ and $b_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx$. (6)

1.3 Prove that for $0 \leq x \leq \pi$, the half Fourier cosine expansion of

$$x(\pi - x) = \frac{\pi^2}{6} - \left(\frac{\cos 2x}{1^2} + \frac{\cos 4x}{2^2} + \frac{\cos 6x}{3^2} + \dots \right). \quad (8)$$

1.4 Hence show that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6}$. (4)

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Question 2

2.1 An important application of the Fourier transforms is the resolution of a finite sinusoidal wave into an infinite one. If $\sin w_0 t$ is clipped so that N cycles remain then,

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} \sin w_0 t, & \text{for } |t| < \frac{N\pi}{w_0}, \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

(a) Use the Fourier sine transform to show that $F(\alpha) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \int_0^{N\pi/w_0} \sin w_0 t \sin(\alpha t) dt$. (8)

(b) Compute $F(w_0)$. (5)

2.2 If a function $f(t)$ has a period w that is, $f(t + w) = f(t)$ then show that the Laplace transform of $f(t)$ is $\mathcal{L}(f) = \frac{1}{1 - e^{-sw}} \int_0^w e^{-st} f(t) dt$. (7)

2.3 Use the Laplace transforms to solve the following differential equation;

$$y''(t) + 16y(t) = 32t, \text{ subject to } y(0) = 3, \quad y'(0) = -2 \quad (8)$$

2.4 If $\mathcal{L}^{-1}[F(s)] = f(t)$ and $\mathcal{L}^{-1}[G(s)] = g(t)$ then show that the convolution of $f(t)$ with $g(t)$,
i.e. $\mathcal{L}^{-1}[F(s)G(s)] = \int_0^t f(t - \alpha)g(\alpha) d\alpha$. (10)

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Question 3

3.1 Consider the following linear second order differential equation;

$$y'' + A(x)y' + B(x)y = g(x)$$

subject to the initial conditions $y(a) = y_0$, $y'(a) = y'_0$, and derive the Volterra's integral equation of the second kind. (10)

3.2 If $f(z)$ is an analytic function everywhere inside and a simple closed curve C except at $z = a$ which is a pole of order n so that

$$f(z) = \frac{a_{-n}}{(z-a)^n} + \frac{a_{-n+1}}{(z-a)^{n-1}} + \dots + a_0 + a_1(z-a) + a_2(z-a)^2 + \dots$$

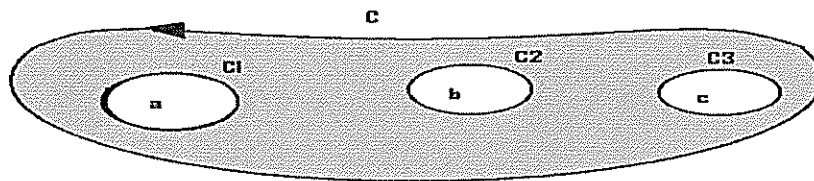
where $a_{-n} \neq 0$, and a_{-1} is a Residue, prove that

3.2.1 $\oint_C f(z) dz = 2\pi i a_{-1}$. (5)

3.2.2 $a_{-1} = \lim_{z \rightarrow a} \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \frac{d^{n-1}}{dz^{n-1}} \{(z-a)^n f(z)\}$ (5)

3.3 Determine the residue(s) of the following function at its poles; $\frac{z}{(z^2+1)^2}$. (6)

3.4 If $f(z)$ is an analytic function within and on a simple closed curve C , (as shown in the diagram below) except at a number of poles a, b, c, \dots interior to C ,



prove that

$$\oint_C f(z) dz = 2\pi i \{\text{sum of Residues of } f(z) \text{ at poles } a, b, c, \dots\}. \quad (6)$$

3.5 In a simple closed curve C enclosing the circles $z = \pm i$, show that

$$\oint_C \frac{ze^{zt}}{(z^2+1)^2} dz = \frac{1}{2} t \sin t. \quad (8)$$

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