# Part IB Paper 6: Information Engineering

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## Examples paper 5

(Before starting this examples paper it is a good idea to revise your 1A Maths notes on Fourier Series and on Convolution )

### **Revision of Fourier Series**

1 The function

$$\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} \mathbf{x}(\pi + \mathbf{x}) & -\pi \leq \mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{0} \\ \\ \mathbf{x}(\pi - \mathbf{x}) & \mathbf{0} \leq \mathbf{x} \leq \pi \end{cases}$$

is represented by a Fourier series of period  $2\pi$ . Which derivatives (first, second, etc.) of the function represented by this Fourier series are continuous for all values of x? How do the coefficients in the series vary with n? Verify your answer to the latter question by evaluating the coefficients.

2 The function y(t) is represented by a Fourier Series of the form

$$y(t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ a_n \cos(n\omega_0 t) + b_n \sin(n\omega_0 t) \right\} \qquad \omega_0 = \frac{2\pi}{T}$$

over the range 0 < t < T. By expressing the sines and cosines as complex exponentials, show that y can be represented by a complex Fourier Series of the form

$$y(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n \exp(jn\omega_0 t)$$
,

and find  $c_n$  in terms of the a's and b's. Pay particular attention to the cases n = 0 and n negative.

Show that  $c_n^* = c_{-n}$ .

3 A function y(t) having period T is defined as

$$y(t) = \begin{cases} exp(-\alpha t) & 0 \le t \le T/2 \\ 0 & T/2 \le t \le T \end{cases}$$

Obtain the coefficients  $c_n$  in the complex Fourier series for y(t), where

$$y(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{2\pi i n t/T}$$

Hence obtain the coefficients  $a_n$  and  $b_n$  in the real Fourier series for y(t), where

$$y(t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos \frac{2\pi nt}{T} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin \frac{2\pi nt}{T}$$

4 Show that the Fourier Series representation of the square wave function shown is



Hence find the coefficients  $c_n$  in the complex Fourier Series representation

$$f(t) = \sum_{n = -\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{j2\pi n t/T}$$

Verify that your answer is correct by finding  $c_n$  from the relationship

$$c_n = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T f(t) \exp\left[-jn\omega_0 t\right] dt .$$

5 Show that the square wave  $f_2(t)$ , which is symmetric about t = 0, is related to f(t) of question 4 by  $f_2(t) = f(t+a)$ , and find the value of a.



6 The coefficients in a complex Fourier Series representation of the function f(t) over the range 0 < t < T are  $\frac{(-1)^n}{n^4}$ .

Which derivatives of f are continuous for all values of t? Derive expressions for the complex coefficients in the Fourier Series representations of

(i) 
$$\frac{df}{dt}$$
 (ii)  $\frac{d^2f}{dt^2}$  (iii)  $\int f dt$ 

In the last case what can you say about  $c_0$ ?

### Convolution

7 By evaluating the convolution integral directly, find the convolution of f(t) and g(t), where

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} t & t \ge 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad g(t) = \begin{cases} \exp(-\alpha t) & t \ge 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases}$$

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8 For any functions f and g show that

$$\int_{\tau=0}^{t} f(\tau) g(t-\tau) d\tau = \int_{\tau=0}^{t} f(t-\tau) g(\tau) d\tau .$$

9 It is desired to find the convolution of the functions f and g, where

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 \le t \le T \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \text{ and } g(t) = \begin{cases} \exp(-\alpha t) & t \ge 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases}$$

For a <u>fixed</u> value of t (t > 0), sketch  $f(\tau)$  and  $g(t-\tau)$  as <u>functions of  $\tau$ </u>. Using your sketches, explain why the convolution of f and g will have three different forms in the ranges

(i) 
$$t < 0$$
 (ii)  $0 \le t \le T$  (iii)  $T < t$   
Evaluate the convolution of f and g, 
$$\int_{\tau=0}^{t} f(\tau) g(t-\tau) d\tau$$
.

#### Answers

1 The value and first derivative are continuous: the coefficients are  $O(1/n^3)$ .

y(x) = 
$$\frac{8}{\pi} \sum_{n} \frac{\sin nx}{n^3}$$
 (n = 1, 3, 5, ...)

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$$c_0 = \frac{a_0}{2}$$
,  $c_n = \frac{a_n - jb_n}{2}$  for  $n > 0$ ,  $c_n = \frac{a_{-n} + jb_{-n}}{2}$  for  $n < 0$ 

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$$c_n = \frac{1 - e^{-\alpha T/2 - in\pi}}{\alpha T + 2in\pi}$$

$$a_0 = \frac{2(1 - e^{-\alpha T/2})}{\alpha T} \qquad a_n = \frac{2\alpha T(1 - e^{-\alpha T/2} \cos n\pi)}{\alpha^2 T^2 + 4n^2 \pi^2} \qquad b_n = \frac{4n\pi (1 - e^{-\alpha T/2} \cos n\pi)}{\alpha^2 T^2 + 4n^2 \pi^2}$$

 $c_n = \frac{2}{jn\pi}$  for n odd (valid for positive <u>and</u> negative n),  $c_n = 0$  n even.

 $a = \frac{T}{4}$ 

6 The value, first and second derivatives are continuous.

(i) 
$$j \omega_0 \frac{(-1)^n}{n^3}$$
 (ii)  $\omega_0^2 \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n^2}$ 

- (iii)  $\frac{(-1)^n}{j\omega_0 n^5}$  c<sub>0</sub> depends on constant of integration.
- $\frac{t}{\alpha} \frac{1}{\alpha^2} + \frac{e^{-\alpha t}}{\alpha^2}$  for  $t \ge 0$  (and 0 for t < 0).

9 (i) 0 (ii) 
$$\frac{1-e^{-\alpha t}}{\alpha}$$
 (iii)  $\frac{e^{-\alpha(t-T)}-e^{-\alpha t}}{\alpha}$ 

