

MATH 454 SECTION 002

Quiz 2

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- To receive full credit you must show all your work.
 - You can use the back side of a paper if you need. Indicate where your calculation jumps.
 - **NO CALCULATOR, SMARTPHONE, BOOKS, or OTHER NOTES.**
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Find the Fourier sine series for $f(x) = e^x$, $0 < x < L$. [*Hint*: If necessary, you can use the formula $\int_0^L e^x \sin(cx) dx = \frac{1}{1+c^2} (c - ce^L \cos(cL) + e^L \sin(cL))$.]

Solution [8] We extend $f(x)$ to the interval $-L < x < L$ by defining [2]

$$f_O(x) = \begin{cases} e^x & \text{for } 0 < x < L, \\ 0 & \text{for } x = 0, \\ -e^{-x} & \text{for } -L < x < 0. \end{cases}$$

We consider the Fourier series for this odd function f_O . Note that $A_0 = A_n = 0$ ($n = 1, 2, \dots$) [2]. Hence the Fourier series is written as

$$f_O(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L}, \quad -L < x < L.$$

The coefficients B_n are given by [2]

$$B_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f_O(x) \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L e^x \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L} dx.$$

By doing the integral, we have

$$B_n = \frac{2}{L} \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2} \left[\frac{n\pi}{L} - \frac{n\pi}{L} e^L (-1)^n \right] = \frac{2\pi}{L^2} n \frac{1 - e^L (-1)^n}{1 + (n\pi/L)^2}.$$

Therefore the Fourier sine series is obtained as [2]

$$e^x = \frac{2\pi}{L^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \frac{1 - e^L (-1)^n}{1 + (n\pi/L)^2} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{L}, \quad 0 < x < L.$$