

University of Notre Dame
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AME 30314: Differential Equations, Vibrations and Controls I
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Homework 9, due November 11th, 2015

Problem.1

Compute the Fourier series for each of the following functions.

$$(a) f(x) = f(x + 10) \quad \text{and} \quad f(x) = \begin{cases} -1, & 0 < x \leq 5, \\ 9, & 5 < x \leq 10. \end{cases}$$

$$(b) f(x) = f(x + 2) \quad \text{and} \quad f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2, & 0 < x \leq 1, \\ (x - 1)^2, & 1 < x \leq 2. \end{cases}$$

Problem.2

Determine the solution to the one-dimensional wave equation $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = \alpha^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$ with $u(0, t) = u(L, t) = 0$ and with the specified parameter values and initial conditions in each of the following cases:

$$(a) \alpha = 1, \quad L = 10, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, 0) = 0, \quad \text{and} \quad u(x, 0) = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{10}, & 0 < x \leq 5, \\ \frac{10 - x}{10}, & 5 < x \leq 10. \end{cases}$$

$$(b) \alpha = 2, \quad L = 10, \quad u(x, 0) = 0, \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, 0) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 < x \leq 1, \\ 1, & 1 < x \leq 2, \\ 0, & 2 < x \leq 10, \end{cases}$$