

Series of Exercises 4

Exercise 1

Consider the function 2π -periodic f defined by:

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2}{2}, \text{ for } x \in [-\pi, \pi].$$

- ❶ Represent f .
- ❷ Show that f is expandable in Fourier series and compute its coefficients.
- ❸ By choosing particular values of x , deduce the sums of the following numerical series: $\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{n^2}$ and $\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n^2}$.
- ❹ Using Parseval's formula, calculate the sum $\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{n^4}$.

Exercise 2

Consider the function 2π -periodic f defined by:

$$f(x) = x, \quad \text{for } x \in]-\pi, \pi[.$$

- ❶ Represent f .
- ❷ Show that f is expandable in Fourier series and compute its coefficients.
- ❸ By choosing particular value of x , deduce the sum of the numerical series $\sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{(-1)^n}{2n+1}$.
- ❹ Using Parseval's formula, calculate the sum $\sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{1}{(2n+1)^2}$.

Exercise 3 (Personal work)

Consider the 2π -periodic even function f defined by:

$$f(x) = x - \pi, \quad x \in [0, \pi].$$

- ❶ Represent f .
- ❷ Prove that f is developable in a Fourier series and explain its sum on $[-\pi, \pi]$.
- ❸ Deduce the sum of the series $\sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{1}{(2n+1)^2}$ by choosing a particular value of x .
- ❹ Using Parseval's formula, calculate the sum $\sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{1}{(2n+1)^4}$.

Exercise 4 (Personal work)

Let α be a non-integer real number and let f be the 2π -periodic function defined on $\mathbb{R}$ by:

$$f(x) = \cos(\alpha x), \quad x \in [-\pi, \pi].$$

- ❶ Prove that f is developable in a Fourier series and determine this series.
- ❷ Is the Fourier series of f uniformly convergent on $\mathbb{R}$?
- ❸ Deduce the following identities:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } \frac{\pi}{\sin(\alpha\pi)} &= \frac{1}{\alpha} + 2\alpha \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{(-1)^n}{\alpha^2 - n^2}. \\ \text{b) } \pi \cot(\alpha) &= \frac{1}{\alpha} + 2\alpha \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{1}{\alpha^2 - n^2}. \\ \text{c) } \frac{\pi^2}{\sin^2(\alpha\pi)} &= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{(\alpha - n)^2}. \end{aligned}$$