

466 '07 (E.A. Coutsias)-HOMEWORK 9

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1. Find (a) Fourier (b) Fourier cosine (c) Fourier sine series of period 4 (period 2 for case a) for $f(x)$ where it is given that

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 5 & \text{for } 0 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{for } 1 < x < 2 \end{cases} .$$

Sketch the function to which each series converges in $-4 \leq x \leq 4$. Account for every point in $-4 \leq x \leq 4$.

2. Solve

$$\begin{aligned} u_{xx} + u_{yy} &= 0 \quad , \quad 0 < x < b \quad , \quad y > 0 \\ u(0, y) = u(b, y) &= 0 \quad , \quad u(x, 0) = f(x) \quad , \quad u(x, y) \text{ bounded as } y \rightarrow \infty . \end{aligned}$$

3. Tidal waves approaching a long, straight beach are described by

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(h(x) \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right) = \frac{1}{g} \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial t^2} ,$$

where $z(x, t)$ is the elevation measured from the undisturbed free surface, $h(x)$ is the depth of the water at distance x from the beach, and g is the acceleration of gravity. Show that if the bottom depth increases linearly with distance from the beach (i.e. take $h(x) = kx$ where $k = \text{constant}$) then tidal waves of frequency $\frac{\omega}{2\pi}$ exist for which

$$z(x, t) = AJ_0 \left(\frac{2\omega}{\sqrt{kg}} x^{1/2} \right) \cos \omega t .$$

Show that the wavelength of these waves increases with increasing distance from the beach.

(*Hint:* use the asymptotic form of $J_0(x)$ for large x .)