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DIPLOMA IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

DIPLOMA IN CIVIL ENGINEERING

ECU0302: MATHEMATICS VIII

DATE 23/7/2019

TIME: 8:30 – 10:30 AM

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions

QUESTION ONE 30 MARKS)

a) State at least three conditions that must be satisfied for a function to have a fourier series

(2 marks)

b) A function $f(x)$ is defined by the

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & -4 \leq x \leq 0 \\ 4 & 0 \leq x \leq 4 \\ f(x+8) & \end{cases}$$

i) Sketch the function over the interval $-4 \leq x \leq 8$

(4 marks)

ii) find the corresponding fourier series

(8 marks)

c) Obtain the half -range cosine series for the function

$$f(x) = \{x^2 \text{ for } 0 \leq x \leq 5$$

(8 marks)

- d) Derive the fourier series co-efficeints a_0 a_n and b_n period 2π (8 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

Determine the fourier series for the function $f(t)$ defined by

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & -2 \leq t \leq 0 \\ 3t & 0 \leq t \leq 4 \\ f(t+6) & \end{cases}$$

Calculate also its percentage third harmonic.

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

A periodic function is defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - \frac{x}{\pi} & -\pi \leq x \leq 0 \\ 1 + \frac{x}{\pi} & 0 \leq x \leq \pi \\ f(x+2\pi) & \end{cases}$$

- i) Sketch the graph for three periods (3 marks)
- ii) Determine the fourier series for the function (13 marks)
- iii) Using the substitution $x = \pi$ in the fourier series obtained show that

$$\frac{\pi^2}{8} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n-1)^2} \quad (4 \text{ marks})$$

QUESTION FOUR 20 MARKS)

- a) A periodic function is $f(t)$ defined within the period $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$

$$\text{by } f(t) = \begin{cases} t & 0 \leq t \leq \frac{\pi}{2} \\ \frac{\pi}{2} & \frac{\pi}{2} \leq t \leq \pi \\ \pi - \frac{t}{2} & \pi \leq t \leq 2\pi \end{cases}$$

sketch the function over the interval $-2\pi \leq t \leq 3\pi$ and obtain the fourier series expansion for the function. (10 marks)

b) Obtain the half-range sine series for the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -1 & -\pi \leq x \leq 0 \\ 1 & 0 \leq x \leq \pi \\ f(x + 2\pi) & \end{cases} \quad (10 \text{ marks})$$