MA301, Fall 2017

Midterm 2

Due in-class on Wednesday, December 13

The ONLY source you may consult is the textbook. All questions have equal value.

In the following, all functions will be complex valued. We shall write xy instead of $x \cdot y$ if x, y are elements of \mathbb{R}^n .

1. Let f be a function on \mathbb{R}^n . We say that f tends to 0 rapidly at infinity if for each positive integer d the function

$$x \mapsto |x|^d f(x)$$

is bounded for |x| sufficiently large. Write \mathscr{S} for the set of functions on \mathbb{R}^n which are infinitely differentiable (i.e., partial derivatives of all orders exist and are continuous), and which tend to 0 rapidly at infinity, as well as their partial derivatives of all orders.

- (i) Verify that $e^{-x^2} \in \mathscr{S}$ (remember that $x^2 = x \cdot x$). (Another example will appear in Lemma 14.4 of the textbook.)
- (ii) Show that any function in $\mathscr S$ is integrable.
- 2. Define the Fourier transform of a function $f \in \mathcal{S}$ by

$$\widehat{f}(y) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(x) e^{-2\pi i xy} dx$$

(i) Let D_j be the partial derivative with respect to the j'th variable. For each n-tuple $p = (p_1, \ldots, p_n)$ of nonnegative integers, we write $D_p = D_1^{p_1} \cdots D_n^{p_n}$. Similarly, given $f \in \mathscr{S}$, let $M_j f$ be the function such that $(M_j f)(x) = x_j f(x)$, i.e., multiplication by the j'th variable, and let $(M^p f)(x) = x_1^{p_1} \cdots x_n^{p_n} f(x)$. Show that

$$D^p \widehat{f} = (-2\pi i)^{|p|} \widehat{M^p f}$$
 and $M^p \widehat{f} = (2\pi i)^{-|p|} \widehat{D^p f}$

where $|p| = p_1 + \cdots + p_n$. Hint: for the first identity, inductively, differentiate across the integral sign (justification needed); for the second, integrate by parts.

- (ii) Show that the Fourier transformation $f\mapsto \widehat{f}$ is a linear map of the complex vector space $\mathscr S$ into itself.
- 3. A function g on \mathbb{R}^n is called *periodic* if g(x+m)=g(x) for all $m\in\mathbb{Z}^n$. Given a periodic C^{∞} function g, we define its k'th Fourier coefficient by

$$c_k = \int_{T^n} g(x) e^{-2\pi i kx} dx \qquad k \in \mathbb{Z}^n$$

where $T^n = \mathbb{R}^n/\mathbb{Z}^n$ is the *n*-torus, and the integral over T^n is by definition the *n*-fold integral with the variables (x_1, \ldots, x_n) ranging from 0 to 1.

(i) Show that the Fourier series

$$\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^n} c_k \, e^{2\pi i k x}$$

converges to g uniformly. (Cf. Corollary 7.17 of Browder.)

(ii) Let $f \in \mathscr{S}$. Show that

$$\sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^n} f(m) = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \widehat{f}(m)$$

Hint: consider $g(x) = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^n} f(x+m)$.