

## SOLUTIONS 8. 5.12.2011

Q1.

$$\hat{f}(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} e^{-|x|} e^{ixt} dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} e^{-|x|} e^{ixt} dx + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} e^{-|x|} e^{ixt} dx = I_1 + I_2,$$

say. Replace  $x$  by  $-x$  in  $I_1$ :

$$I_1 = \int_{\infty}^0 \frac{1}{2} e^{-x} e^{ixt} (-dx) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} e^{-x} e^{-ixt} dx.$$

So  $\hat{f}(t) = I_1 + I_2 = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} \cdot \frac{1}{2} (e^{ixt} + e^{-ixt}) dx = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} \cos xt dx$ .

Integrate by parts:

$$\hat{f}(t) = - \int_0^{\infty} \cos xt de^{-x} = -[\cos xt \cdot e^{-x}]_0^{\infty} + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} (-t \sin xt) dx = 1 - t \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} \sin xt dx.$$

Integrate by parts again:

$$\hat{f}(t) = 1 + t \int_0^{\infty} \sin xt de^{-x} = 1 + t[\sin xte^{-x}]_0^{\infty} - t \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} \cdot t \cos xt dx.$$

The integrated term is 0; the integral term is  $-t^2 \hat{f}(t)$ . So  $\hat{f}(t) = 1 - t^2 \hat{f}(t)$ ,  
 $\hat{f}(t)(1 + t^2) = 1$ :

$$\hat{f}(t) = 1/(1 + t^2).$$

Q2. By the Fourier Integral Theorem applied to the  $f$  in Q1:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ixt} \hat{f}(t) dt,$$

i.e.

$$\frac{1}{2} e^{-|x|} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-ixt}}{2\pi(1 + t^2)} dt.$$

Cancel  $\frac{1}{2}$  and interchange  $x$  and  $t$ :

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-ixt}}{2\pi(1 + x^2)} dx = \frac{1}{2} e^{-|x|}.$$

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