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Assignment 3

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Exercise 3. 1 Fourier Transform

The Fourier Transform is defined as

$$\mathcal{F}(\omega) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t)e^{-i\omega t}dt$$

i).

Plug in the definition of f(x)

$$f(x) = \Pi_{a,b}(x) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} 1 & a < x < b \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{array} \right., \quad a,b \in \mathbb{R}$$

The Fourier transform is then calculated as

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{F}(\omega) \cdot \sqrt{2\pi} &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{-i\omega t} dt \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{a} 0 \cdot e^{-i\omega t} dt + \int_{a}^{b} e^{-i\omega t} dt + \int_{b}^{\infty} 0 \cdot e^{-i\omega t} dt \\ &= \int_{a}^{b} e^{-i\omega t} dt \\ &= \frac{e^{-i\omega t}}{-i\omega} \bigg|_{a}^{b} = \frac{e^{-i\omega b} - e^{-i\omega a}}{-i\omega} \end{split}$$

So

$$\mathcal{F}(\omega) = \frac{e^{-i\omega b} - e^{-i\omega a}}{-i\omega\sqrt{2\pi}}$$

ii).

$$f(x) = e^{-a|x|}$$

Plug it in Fourier transform, which yields to

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{F}(\omega) \cdot \sqrt{2\pi} &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{-i\omega t} dt \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{0} e^{ax} e^{-i\omega x} dx + \int_{0}^{+\infty} e^{-ax} e^{-i\omega x} dx \\ &= \left. \frac{e^{x(a-i\omega)}}{a-i\omega} \right|_{-\infty}^{0} + \left. \frac{e^{-x(a+i\omega)}}{-a-i\omega} \right|_{0}^{+\infty} \\ &= -\frac{1}{a-i\omega} + \frac{1}{-a-i\omega} \\ &= \frac{1}{a-i\omega} + \frac{1}{a+i\omega} \\ &= \frac{2a}{a^2 + \omega^2} \end{split}$$

So

$$\mathcal{F}(\omega) = \frac{a\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}}}{a^2 + \omega^2}$$

iii).

Plug in $f(t) = e^{-ax^2}$

$$\mathcal{F}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t)e^{-i\omega t}dt$$
$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-at^2}e^{-i\omega t}dt$$
$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{\frac{b^2}{4a} - \left(\sqrt{a}t + \frac{b}{2\sqrt{a}}\right)^2}dt$$

Then we apply the substitution Rule, we define $u:=(\sqrt{a}t+\frac{b}{2\sqrt{a}})$, then

$$\mathrm{d}u = \sqrt{a}\mathrm{d}t$$

The original equation then becomes

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{\frac{b^2}{4a} - \left(\sqrt{a}t + \frac{b}{2\sqrt{a}}\right)^2} dt$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{\frac{b^2}{4a} - u^2}}{\sqrt{a}} du$$

$$= \frac{e^{\frac{b^2}{4a}}}{\sqrt{a}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-u^2}}{\sqrt{a}} du$$

Note that for the third step, we define

$$b = i\omega$$

We recall the definition of Gauss Error function, which is of the similar form

$$\operatorname{erf}(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{-x}^{x} e^{-t^2} dt$$

which yields to

$$\mathcal{F}(\omega) \cdot \sqrt{2\pi} = \frac{\sqrt{\pi} e^{\frac{b^2}{4a}}}{\sqrt{a}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-u^2}}{\sqrt{\pi}} du$$
$$= \frac{\sqrt{\pi} e^{\frac{b^2}{4a}}}{\sqrt{a}} \operatorname{erf}(x)|_0^{+\infty}$$
$$= \frac{\sqrt{\pi} e^{\frac{-\omega^2}{4a}}}{\sqrt{a}} (1 - 0)$$
$$= \frac{\sqrt{\pi} e^{\frac{-\omega^2}{4a}}}{\sqrt{a}}$$

So

$$\mathcal{F}(\omega) = \frac{e^{-\frac{w^2}{4a}}}{\sqrt{2a}}$$

iv).

Plug in $f(x) = \cos(x)e^{-x^2}$,

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{F}(\omega) \cdot \sqrt{2\pi} &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t)e^{-i\omega t}dt \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cos(t)e^{-t^2}e^{-i\omega t}dt \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{it} + e^{-it}}{2}e^{-t^2}e^{-i\omega t}dt \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{it}}{2}e^{-t^2}e^{-i\omega t}dt + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-it}}{2}e^{-t^2}e^{-i\omega t}dt \end{split}$$

Then the strategy is mostly alike 3.1.iii). We simplify the procedure, and the answer is given as

$$\mathcal{F}(\omega) \cdot \sqrt{2\pi} = \frac{\sqrt{\pi} e^{-\frac{w^2}{4} + \frac{w}{2} - \frac{1}{4}}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{\pi} e^{-\frac{u^2}{4} - \frac{w}{2} - \frac{1}{4}}}{2}$$
$$= \frac{\sqrt{\pi} (e^w + 1) e^{-\frac{w^2}{4} - \frac{w}{2} - \frac{1}{4}}}{2}$$

So

$$\mathcal{F}(\omega) = \frac{(e^w + 1) e^{-\frac{w^2}{4} - \frac{w}{2} - \frac{1}{4}}}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

v).

We consider the property that Plug in $f(x) = \cos(2x)/(4+x^2)$

$$\mathcal{F}(\omega) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t)e^{-i\omega t}dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(2t)}{4+t^2} e^{-i\omega t}dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{2it} + e^{-2it}}{4+t^2} e^{-i\omega t}dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\pi}} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{2it}}{4+t^2} e^{-i\omega t}dt + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-2it}}{4+t^2} e^{-i\omega t}dt \right)$$

From the solution of 3.1.3,

$$\widehat{e^{-a|x|}} = \frac{a\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}}}{a^2 + \omega^2}$$

Plug in a=2, it yields to

$$\widehat{e^{-2|x|}} = \frac{2\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}}}{4+\omega^2}$$

From the definition of Fourier Transform

$$\widehat{\widehat{f(t)}} = f(-t)$$

We could conclude that

$$\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\pi}} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{2it}}{4+t^2} e^{-i\omega t} dt \right) = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} e^{-2|\omega - 2|}$$

So the whole Fourier Transform then becomes

$$\mathcal{F}(\omega) = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} e^{-2|\omega - 2|} + \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} e^{-2|\omega + 2|}$$

vi).

Consider the property

$$\widehat{\varphi * \psi} = (2\pi)^{n/2} \hat{\varphi} \cdot \hat{\psi}$$

Here n=1. Then

$$xe^{-\widehat{x^2} * e^{-x^2}} = (2\pi)^{\frac{1}{2}} \widehat{xe^{-x^2}} \cdot \widehat{e^{-x^2}}$$

From the result before

$$\widehat{e^{-x^2}} = \frac{e^{-\frac{w^2}{4}}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Then we apply Fourier Transform on xe^{-x^2}

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t e^{-t^2} e^{-i\omega t} dt = \frac{i\omega e^{-\frac{w^2}{4}}}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

So the total integral is given by

$$\widehat{xe^{-x^2} * e^{-x^2}} = (2\pi)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \frac{e^{-\frac{w^2}{4}}}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{i\omega e^{-\frac{w^2}{4}}}{2\sqrt{2}}$$
$$= \frac{\sqrt{2\pi}e^{-\frac{w^2}{4}}i\omega e^{-\frac{w^2}{4}}}{4}$$

Exercise 3. 2

i).

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-\varepsilon x} & x \ge 1 \\ 0 & x < 1 \end{cases} \quad \varepsilon > 0$$

$$\begin{split} \hat{T}_g \varphi &= T_g \hat{\varphi} = \int_1^\infty e^{-\varepsilon \xi} \cdot \hat{\varphi}(\xi) d\xi \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_1^\infty \int_{-\infty}^\infty e^{-\varepsilon \xi} e^{-ix\xi} \varphi(x) dx d\xi \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_1^\infty \int_{-\infty}^\infty e^{(-\varepsilon - ix)\xi} \varphi(x) dx d\xi \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \left(\int_1^\infty e^{(-\varepsilon - ix)\xi} d\xi \right) \varphi(x) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{e^{-\varepsilon - ix}}{\varepsilon + ix} \varphi(x) dx \end{split}$$

So

$$\hat{g(x)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{e^{-\varepsilon - ix}}{\varepsilon + ix}$$

ii).

$$\sin(3x - 2) = \frac{e^{i(3x - 2)} - e^{-i(3x - 2)}}{2i} = \frac{e^{-2i}}{2i}e^{i3x} - \frac{e^{2i}}{2i}e^{-i3x}$$

$$\hat{T}_{\delta(\xi - \xi_0)}\varphi = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta\left(\xi - \xi_0\right) \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-ix\xi}\varphi(x)dxd\xi = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-ix\xi_0}\varphi(x)dx$$

$$\hat{\delta}\left(\xi - \xi_0\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-i\xi_0x}$$

,thus

$$e^{-i\xi_0 x} = \sqrt{2\pi}\hat{\delta} \left(\xi - \xi_0\right)$$

$$\begin{split} \hat{T}_{\sin(3x-2)}\varphi &= T\frac{e^{-2i}}{2i}\delta(\xi+3)\hat{\varphi} - T\frac{e^{2i}}{2i}\delta(\xi-3)\hat{\varphi} \\ &= \frac{e^{-2i}}{2i}\int_{-\infty}^{\infty}\sqrt{2\pi}\delta(\xi+3)\varphi(-\xi)d\xi - \frac{e^{2i}}{2i}\int_{-\infty}^{\infty}\sqrt{2\pi}\delta(\xi-3)\varphi(-\xi)d\xi \\ &= \sqrt{2\pi}\left[\frac{e^{-2i}}{2i}\varphi(3) - \frac{e^{2i}}{2i}\varphi(-3)\right] \end{split}$$

which gives the final answer

$$\widehat{\sin(3x-2)}=i\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}}\left[e^{2i}\delta(\xi+3)-e^{-2i}\delta(\xi-3)\right]$$

iii).

$$\cos x = \frac{e^{ix} + e^{-ix}}{2}$$

So

$$\hat{T}_{g}\varphi = T_{g}\hat{\varphi} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \xi^{2} \cos(\xi)\hat{\varphi}(\xi)d\xi$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \xi^{2} \cos(\xi)e^{-ix\xi}\varphi(x)dxd\xi$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cos(\xi) \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \xi^{2}e^{-i\xi x}\varphi(x)dx \right] d\xi$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{i\xi} + e^{-i\xi}}{2} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} -e^{-i\xi x}\varphi''(x)dx \right) d\xi$$

$$= -\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}}\varphi''(1) - \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}}\varphi''(-1)$$

which yields to the answer

$$\widehat{x^2 \cos x} = -\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \delta''(\xi - 1) - \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \delta''(\xi + 1)$$