

1. Compute the Fourier transform of the functions

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad f_1(t) &= te^{-|t|}, & \text{(b)} \quad f_2(t) &= |t|e^{-|t|}, \\ \text{(c)} \quad f_3(t) &= te^{-t^2}, & \text{(d)} \quad f_4(t) &= (1 - |t|)\chi_{(-1,1)}(t). \end{aligned}$$

2. let  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}, a < b$ . Prove that the Fourier transform of  $\chi_{(a,b)}$  is  $(b-a)e^{-\pi i(a+b)\xi} \operatorname{sinc}[\pi(b-a)\xi]$ .

3. Prove that if  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$  has compact support then  $\hat{f}(\xi)$  is actually analytic in  $\xi \in \mathbb{C}$ . (Hint: use Morera's theorem).

4. Let  $f = \chi_{[0,1]}$ .

- (a) Compute  $f * f$  and  $f * f * f$ .  
 (b) Examine the regularity of these new functions.  
 (c) Conjecture, and prove if possible, what is the regularity of  $f * \dots * f$ .

5. Let  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$  be even. Prove:

- (a) The Fourier transform  $\hat{f}(\xi)$  and the *cosine transform* of  $f$  coincide, that is

$$\hat{f}(\xi) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(t) \cos(2\pi\xi t) dt.$$

- (b) The following inversion formula holds

$$f(t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \hat{f}(\xi) \cos(2\pi\xi t) d\xi.$$

Prove similar formulas for  $f$  odd.

6. (a) Prove that the Fourier transform of the function  $f(t) = e^{-2\pi|t|}$  is

$$\hat{f}(\xi) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{1}{1 + \xi^2}.$$

(Hint:  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{-2\pi|t|} e^{-2\pi i\xi t} dt = 2 \int_0^\infty e^{-2\pi t} \cos(2\pi\xi t) dt$ .)

- (b) Let  $g \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}) \cap L^1(\mathbb{R})$ . Find  $u \in \mathcal{C}^2(\mathbb{R})$  such that  $u, u', u'' \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$  and solving the differential equation

$$u'' - u = g.$$

Prove also that  $u(\infty) = 0$ .

7. Use the Fourier transform to find  $f$  such that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x-y)e^{-|y|} dy = 2e^{-|x|} - e^{-2|x|}.$$

8. Let  $0 < a < b$ . Use the Fourier transform to compute the integrals

$$(a) \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{\sin(at) \sin(b(u-t))}{t(u-t)} dt, \quad (b) \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{\sin(at) \sin(bt)}{t^2} dt$$

9. Let  $f$  have Fourier transform  $\frac{1-i\xi \sin(\pi\xi)}{1+i\xi \pi\xi}$ . Compute  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} |f(x)|^2 dx$ .

10. Use the Fourier transform to compute

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{\sin x}{x(x^2+1)} dx.$$

(Hint: use exercise 6 (a)).

11. If  $f(t)$  has Fourier transform  $\hat{f}(\xi) = \frac{1}{1+|\xi|^3}$ , compute  $\|f * f'\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R})}$ .

12. (a) Show that the functions  $\varphi_n(x) = \frac{\sin(x/2)}{\pi x} e^{inx}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , are pairwise orthogonal in  $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ . (Hint: use exercise 1 (d)).

- (b) Determine the constants  $c_n \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} \left| \frac{1}{1+x^2} - \sum_{n=-N}^N c_n \varphi_n(x) \right|^2 dx$$

is minimal. (Hint: use exercise 6 (a)).

- (c) Is the system  $(\varphi_n)_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$  complete?