

To prove:

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{F}(f(t)))))) = f(t)$$

where \mathcal{F} is the continuous Fourier operator

We know:

Fourier Transform:

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

Inverse Fourier Transform:

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

$$\mathcal{F}(f(t)) = F(w)$$

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{F}(f(t))) = \mathcal{F}^2 f(t) \tag{1}$$

$$= \mathcal{F}F(w) \tag{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(\omega) e^{-i\omega t} d\omega \tag{3}$$

(From inverse fourier transform equation)

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{F}(f(t))) = \mathcal{F}^2(f(t)) \tag{4}$$

$$= f(-t) \tag{5}$$

$$\rightarrow \mathcal{F}(F(\omega)) \tag{6}$$

$$= f(-t) \tag{7}$$

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{F}(f(t)))) = \mathcal{F}^3 f(t) \tag{8}$$

$$= \mathcal{F}f(-t) \tag{9}$$

$$= F(-w) \tag{10}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{i\omega t} dt \tag{11}$$

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{F}(f(t)))))) = \mathcal{F}^4(f(t)) \tag{12}$$

$$= \mathcal{F}(F(-w)) \tag{13}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(\omega) e^{i\omega t} d\omega \tag{14}$$

(From inverse fourier transform equation)

Therefore,

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{F}(f(t)))))) = \mathcal{F}^4(f(t)) = f(t)$$

\therefore Hence Proved