

Fourier Integrals and Fourier Transforms (UNIT-I)Fourier integral of $f(x)$ is given by

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\omega=0}^{\infty} \int_{t=-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \cos \omega(t-x) dt d\omega \quad (1)$$

Also, when $f(x)$ satisfies the Dirichlet's conditions, then Fourier integral of $f(x)$ converges to $f(x_0)$ if it is continuous at $x = x_0$ and converges to $\frac{1}{2}[f(x_0-0) + f(x_0+0)]$ if $f(x)$ is discontinuous at $x = x_0$.

Fourier cosine integral of $f(x)$ is given by (for even function)

$$f(x) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{\omega=0}^{\infty} \int_{t=0}^{\infty} f(t) \cos(\omega t) \cos(\omega x) dt d\omega \quad (2)$$

Same as above for continuous and discontinuous points.

Fourier sine integral of $f(x)$ is given by (for odd function)

$$f(x) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{\omega=0}^{\infty} \int_{t=0}^{\infty} f(t) \sin(\omega t) \sin(\omega x) dt d\omega \quad (3)$$

Same as above for continuous and discontinuous points.

Fourier transform and its inverse

We define $\tilde{f}(f(x)) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-i\omega x} dx = F(\omega) \quad (4)$

as Fourier transform of $f(x)$.

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

is called inverse Fourier transform of $F(\omega)$.

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Fourier cosine transform

$$\text{We define } F_C(f(x)) = \int_0^\infty f(x) \cos(\omega x) dx = F_C(\omega) \quad (5)$$

as Fourier cosine transform of $f(x)$

$$\text{and } f(x) = F_C^{-1}(F_C(\omega)) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty F_C(\omega) \cos(\omega x) d\omega$$

is called inverse Fourier cosine transform of $F_C(\omega)$.

Fourier sine transform

$$\text{We define } F_S(f(x)) = \int_0^\infty f(x) \sin(\omega x) dx = F_S(\omega) \quad (6)$$

as Fourier sine transform of $f(x)$ and

$$f(x) = F_S^{-1}(F_S(\omega)) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty F_S(\omega) \sin(\omega x) d\omega$$

is called inverse Fourier sine transform of $F_S(\omega)$.

Remark (1) Some authors also take the following pairs of Fourier transforms

Fourier transform

$$(a) \quad F(\omega) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-i\omega x} dx$$

$$(b) \quad F(\omega) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{i\omega x} dx$$

$$(c) \quad F(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{i\omega x} dx$$

Inverse Fourier transform

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(\omega) e^{i\omega x} d\omega \quad (7)$$

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(2) Some authors take the formulae as

$$(a) \quad F_C(\omega) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \int_0^{\infty} f(x) \cos(\omega x) dx, \quad f(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \int_0^{\infty} F_C(\omega) \cos(\omega x) d\omega$$

$$(b) \quad F_S(\omega) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \int_0^{\infty} f(x) \sin(\omega x) dx, \quad f(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \int_0^{\infty} F_S(\omega) \sin(\omega x) d\omega$$

Definition Function $f(x)$ is called self reciprocal if

$$f(f(x)) = \sqrt{2\pi} f(\omega) \quad (\text{according to def. given by (4)})$$

$$\text{or } f(f(x)) = f(\omega) \quad (\text{according to def. given by (7)})$$

Some important results to remember

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$$(1) \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin mx}{x} dx = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad (m > 0) \quad = -\frac{\pi}{2} \quad (m < 0)$$

$$(2) \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$$

(3) Differentiation under the sign of integration

Leibnitz's rule

$$\frac{d}{da} \left\{ \int_{\phi(a)}^{\psi(a)} f(x, a) dx \right\} = \int_{\phi(a)}^{\psi(a)} \frac{\partial f(x, a)}{\partial a} dx + \frac{d\psi}{da} \cdot f[\psi(a), a] - \frac{d\phi}{da} \cdot f[\phi(a), a]$$

If $\phi(a)$ and $\psi(a)$ are both constants, then

$$\frac{d}{da} \left\{ \int_a^b f(x, a) dx \right\} = \int_a^b \frac{\partial f(x, a)}{\partial a} dx$$

$$(4) \quad \text{Unit step function} \quad u_a(t) = U(t-a) = \begin{cases} 0, & t < a \\ 1, & t \geq a \end{cases}$$

$$\text{In particular } u_0(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & t < 0 \\ 1, & t \geq 0 \end{cases} = U(t)$$

(5) Dirac delta function

$$S(t-a) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} S_\epsilon(t-a)$$

$$\text{where } S_\epsilon(t-a) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\epsilon} & \text{for } a < t < a + \epsilon \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(4)

Ques Express the function $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & |x| \leq 1 \\ 0 & |x| > 1 \end{cases}$ as a Fourier integral and hence evaluate

$$(i) \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin \omega \cos \omega x}{\omega} d\omega \quad (ii) \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin \omega}{\omega} d\omega$$

Sol Fourier integral of $f(x)$ is given by

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\omega=0}^{\infty} \int_{t=-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \cos \omega(t-x) dt d\omega$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore f(x) &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\omega=0}^{\infty} \left\{ \int_{-1}^1 1 \cdot \cos \omega(t-x) dt \right\} d\omega \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \left\{ \frac{\sin \omega(t-x)}{\omega} \right\}_{-1}^1 d\omega \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin \omega(1-x) + \sin \omega(1+x)}{\omega} d\omega \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin \omega \cos \omega x}{\omega} d\omega \end{aligned}$$

$$(i) \therefore \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin \omega \cos \omega x}{\omega} d\omega = \frac{\pi}{2} f(x) \text{ at the point } x \text{ of continuity} \\ = \frac{\pi}{2} \left[\frac{f(x+0) + f(x-0)}{2} \right] \text{ at the point } x \text{ of discontinuity}$$

$\therefore f(x)$ is discontinuous at $x = \pm 1$

$$\therefore \frac{f(1+0) + f(1-0)}{2} = \frac{0+1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{f(-1+0) + f(-1-0)}{2} = \frac{1+0}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin \omega \cos \omega x}{\omega} d\omega = \begin{cases} \frac{\pi}{2} & \text{when } |x| < 1 \\ 0 & \text{when } |x| > 1 \\ \frac{\pi}{4} & \text{when } x = 1 \text{ and } x = -1 \end{cases}$$

$$(ii) \text{ By (i) part, } \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin \omega}{\omega} d\omega = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad (\text{put } x=0 \text{ on both sides})$$

(5)

Que Find the Fourier cosine integral of the function e^{-ax} .

Hence show that $\int_0^\infty \frac{\cos sx}{(s^2+1)} ds = \frac{\pi}{2} e^{-ax}, x \geq 0, a > 0$.

Sol Fourier cosine integral of $f(x)$ is given by

$$f(x) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{s=0}^{\infty} \int_{t=0}^{\infty} f(t) \cos st \cos sx dt ds$$

\therefore Fourier cosine integral of e^{-ax} is given by

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{s=0}^{\infty} \cos sx \left\{ \int_{t=0}^{\infty} e^{-at} \cos st dt \right\} ds \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{s=0}^{\infty} \cos sx \left\{ \frac{e^{-at}}{a^2+s^2} (-a \cos st + s \sin st) \right\}_{t=0}^{\infty} ds \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{s=0}^{\infty} \frac{a}{a^2+s^2} \cos sx ds \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \int_0^\infty \frac{\cos sx}{(a^2+s^2)} ds = \frac{\pi}{2a} e^{-ax} \quad \forall x \geq 0 \quad (\because f(x) = e^{-ax} \text{ is continuous for all } x)$$

Replace a by 1 on both sides, we get

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{\cos sx}{(s^2+1)} ds = \frac{\pi}{2} e^{-x}, \quad x \geq 0$$

Que Using Fourier sine integral, show that

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{1 - \cos \pi \lambda}{\lambda} \sin x \lambda d\lambda = \begin{cases} \pi/2, & \text{when } 0 < x < \pi \\ 0, & \text{when } x > \pi \end{cases}$$

Sol Consider the function $f(x) = \begin{cases} \pi/2, & \text{when } 0 < x < \pi \\ 0, & \text{when } x > \pi \end{cases}$

Its Fourier sine integral is given by

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{\lambda=0}^{\infty} \int_{t=0}^{\infty} f(t) \sin \lambda t \sin \lambda x dt d\lambda \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{\lambda=0}^{\infty} \sin \lambda x \left\{ \int_0^{\pi} \frac{\pi}{2} \sin \lambda t dt \right\} d\lambda \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \sin \lambda x \cdot \left\{ \frac{-\pi}{2} \frac{\cos \lambda t}{\lambda} \right\}_{t=0}^{\pi} d\lambda = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1 - \cos \pi \lambda}{\lambda} \sin \lambda x d\lambda \end{aligned}$$

Hence proved.

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Que Find the Fourier transform of the following function defined on $(-\infty, \infty)$

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & |t| < a \\ 0, & |t| > a \end{cases} \text{ and hence evaluate}$$

$$(a) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin aw \cos wt}{\omega} d\omega \quad (b) \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{x} dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\text{Sol}} \quad F(f(t)) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{-iwt} dt \\ &= \int_{-a}^a 1 \cdot e^{-iwt} dt = \left(\frac{e^{-iwt}}{-i\omega} \right) \Big|_{t=-a}^a = \frac{1}{i\omega} (e^{iwa} - e^{-iwa}) \\ &= \frac{2 \sin aw}{\omega} = F(\omega) \end{aligned}$$

Taking inverse Fourier transform,

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{iwt} F(\omega) d\omega = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{iwt} \cdot \frac{2 \sin aw}{\omega} d\omega \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin aw (\cos wt + i \sin wt)}{\omega} d\omega \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin aw \cos wt}{\omega} d\omega \end{aligned}$$

$$(a) \quad \therefore \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin aw \cos wt}{\omega} d\omega = \pi f(t) = \begin{cases} \pi, & |t| < a \\ 0, & |t| > a \end{cases}$$

(b) Take $t=0$ and $a=1$,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin \omega}{\omega} d\omega &= \pi \Rightarrow 2 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin \omega}{\omega} d\omega = \pi \\ \text{or } \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{x} dx &= \frac{\pi}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Que Find Fourier transform of unit step function $u_a(t)$ and dirac delta function $\delta(t-a)$. Also mention the case when $a=0$.

$$\underline{\text{Sol}} \quad F\{f(x)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-iwx} dx$$

$$\therefore F(u_a(t)) = \int_a^{\infty} 1 \cdot e^{-iwt} dt = \left(\frac{e^{-iwt}}{-i\omega} \right) \Big|_a^{\infty}$$

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But $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e^{-i\omega t}$ does not exist as $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \cos \omega t$ and $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sin \omega t$ do not exist.

Hence $\tilde{f}(u_q(t))$ or $\tilde{f}(u_o(t))$ does not exist in terms of definition of function.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Now, } \tilde{f}\{\delta(t-a)\} &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\omega t} \delta(t-a) dt \\ &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_a^{a+\epsilon} \frac{1}{\epsilon} e^{-i\omega t} dt \\ &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left(\frac{e^{-i\omega a}}{-i\omega} \right)^{a+\epsilon} \\ &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left(\frac{e^{-i\omega a} - e^{-i\omega(a+\epsilon)}}{i\omega} \right) \\ &= \frac{e^{-i\omega a}}{i\omega} \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \left(\frac{1 - e^{-i\omega \epsilon}}{\epsilon} \right) = \frac{e^{-i\omega a}}{i\omega} \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \left(\frac{i\omega e^{-i\omega \epsilon}}{1} \right) \quad (\text{by L'Hospital rule}) \\ \therefore \tilde{f}\{\delta(t-a)\} &= e^{-i\omega a}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{In particular } \tilde{f}\{\delta(t)\} = 1$$

Properties of Fourier Transforms

Linearity property For any functions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ and any constants a and b

- (a) $\tilde{f}(af + bg)(x) = a\tilde{f}(f(x)) + b\tilde{f}(g(x))$
- (b) $\tilde{f}_c(af + bg)(x) = a\tilde{f}_c(f(x)) + b\tilde{f}_c(g(x))$; f and g are even functions
- (c) $\tilde{f}_s(af + bg)(x) = a\tilde{f}_s(f(x)) + b\tilde{f}_s(g(x))$; f and g are odd functions

Shifting property If $\tilde{f}(f(x)) = F(\omega)$ and a is any real number, then

$$\boxed{\tilde{f}(f(x-a)) = e^{-i\omega a} F(\omega)} \quad (\text{Shifting on } x\text{-axis})$$

$$\text{and } \boxed{\tilde{f}(e^{iax} f(x)) = F(\omega-a)} \quad (\text{Frequency shifting})$$

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Remark From the above result

$$\mathcal{F}^{-1}(e^{i\omega a} F(\omega)) = f(x-a)$$

$$\text{and } \mathcal{F}^{-1}(F(\omega-a)) = e^{iax} f(x)$$

Change of scale property For any $a > 0$

$$(a) \text{ If } \mathcal{F}\{f(x)\} = F(\omega) \text{ then } \mathcal{F}\{f(ax)\} = \frac{1}{a} F\left(\frac{\omega}{a}\right)$$

$$(b) \text{ If } \mathcal{F}_c\{f(x)\} = F_c(\omega) \text{ then } \mathcal{F}_c\{f(ax)\} = \frac{1}{a} F_c\left(\frac{\omega}{a}\right)$$

$$(c) \text{ If } \mathcal{F}_s\{f(x)\} = F_s(\omega) \text{ then } \mathcal{F}_s\{f(ax)\} = \frac{1}{a} F_s\left(\frac{\omega}{a}\right)$$

Modulus property (or Modulation theorem)

If $\mathcal{F}\{f(x)\} = F(\omega)$, and a is any real number, then

$$(a) \mathcal{F}\{f(x) \cos ax\} = \frac{1}{2} [F(\omega+a) + F(\omega-a)] \quad [\text{First Term Sep. 2017}]$$

$$(b) \mathcal{F}\{f(x) \sin ax\} = \frac{i}{2} [F(\omega+a) - F(\omega-a)] \quad [\text{Second (a-s)}]$$

$$(c) \mathcal{F}^{-1}\{F(\omega) \cos a\omega\} = \frac{1}{2} [f(x+a) + f(x-a)]$$

$$(d) \mathcal{F}^{-1}\{F(\omega) \sin a\omega\} = -\frac{i}{2} [f(x+a) - f(x-a)]$$

Differentiations of transforms w.r.t. frequency

If $\mathcal{F}\{f(x)\} = F(\omega)$, $\mathcal{F}_s\{f(x)\} = F_s(\omega)$, $\mathcal{F}_c\{f(x)\} = F_c(\omega)$ exist,

$$\text{then } \mathcal{F}\{x^n f(x)\} = i^n \frac{d^n}{d\omega^n} F(\omega) \quad [\text{End Term Dec 14-15, 4 marks}]$$

$$\mathcal{F}_s\{x^n f(x)\} = \begin{cases} (-1)^{n/2} \frac{d^n}{d\omega^n} F_s(\omega) & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ (-1)^{(n+1)/2} \frac{d^n}{d\omega^n} F_c(\omega) & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{and } \mathcal{F}_c\{x^n f(x)\} = \begin{cases} (-1)^{n/2} \frac{d^n}{d\omega^n} F_c(\omega) & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ (-1)^{(n+1)/2} \frac{d^n}{d\omega^n} F_s(\omega) & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

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Transform of derivatives

- (a) Let $f(x)$ be continuous and $f^{(h)}(x)$ be piecewise continuous on every finite interval $(-l, l)$ and $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f^{(h-1)}(x)| dx$ converges for $h = 1, 2, \dots, n$ and $f^{(h-1)}(x) \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$ for $h = 1, 2, \dots, n$ then

$$\boxed{F(f^{(n)}(x)) = (i\omega)^n F(f(x))}$$

- (b) Let $f(x)$ be continuous on $[0, \infty)$, $f(x) \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ and $f'(x)$ is piecewise continuous on every finite interval

$[0, l]$ then

$$\boxed{F_c(f'(x)) = \omega F_s(f(x)) - f(0)}$$

and

$$\boxed{F_s(f'(x)) = -\omega F_c(f(x))}$$

- (c) If $f(x)$ and $f'(x)$ are continuous in $[0, \infty)$, $f(x) \rightarrow 0$, $f'(x) \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ and $f''(x)$ is piecewise continuous on every subinterval $[0, l]$ then

$$\boxed{F_c(f''(x)) = -\omega^2 F_c(f(x)) - f'(0)}$$

$$\text{and } \boxed{F_s(f''(x)) = -\omega^2 F_s(f(x)) + \omega f(0)}$$

Fourier Transform of Integral Function (Noneed)

- Let $f(x)$ be piecewise continuous on every interval $(-l, l)$ and $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(x)| dx$ converges, then

$$\boxed{F \left[\int_{-\infty}^x f(t) dt \right] = \frac{1}{i\omega} F(f(x))}$$

provided $F(f(x)) = F(\omega) = 0$ for $\omega = 0$

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Convolution Let $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ be piecewise continuous on every interval $(-l, l)$ and $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(x)| dx, \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |g(x)| dx$ converge
then convolution of f and g denoted by $(f * g)(x)$ is defined as

$$(f * g)(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) g(x-u) du$$

Convolution Theorem (or Faltung theorem) for Fourier transforms

Let $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ be piecewise continuous on every interval $(-l, l)$ and $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(x)| dx, \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |g(x)| dx$ converge.

Let $\mathcal{F}(f(x)) = F(\omega), \mathcal{F}(g(x)) = G(\omega)$ then

$$\mathcal{F}\left[(f * g)(x)\right] = F(\omega) \cdot G(\omega)$$

i.e., If $\mathcal{F}^{-1}\{F(\omega)\} = f(x)$ and $\mathcal{F}^{-1}\{G(\omega)\} = g(x)$, then

$$\mathcal{F}^{-1}\{F(\omega) \cdot G(\omega)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) g(x-u) du$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Proof } & \mathcal{F}\left\{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) g(x-u) du\right\} \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\omega x} \left\{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) g(x-u) du\right\} dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) e^{-i\omega u} \left\{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x-u) e^{-i\omega(x-u)} dx\right\} du \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) e^{-i\omega u} \left\{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t) e^{-i\omega t} dt\right\} du \quad (\text{taking } x-u=t) \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) e^{-i\omega u} du \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t) e^{-i\omega t} dt \\ &= F(\omega) \cdot G(\omega) \end{aligned}$$

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Proof

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{F}\left\{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) g(x-u) du\right\} \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\omega x} \left\{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) g(x-u) du\right\} dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) e^{-i\omega u} \left\{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x-u) e^{-i\omega(x-u)} dx\right\} du \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) e^{-i\omega u} \left\{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t) e^{-i\omega t} dt\right\} du \quad (\text{taking } x-u=t) \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) e^{-i\omega u} du \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t) e^{-i\omega t} dt \\ &= F(\omega) \cdot G(\omega) \end{aligned}$$

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Ques Find the Fourier-transform of $f(x) = e^{-ax^2}$, $a > 0$ and hence find the Fourier transform of $e^{-x^2/2}$ and xe^{-ax^2} , $a > 0$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Sol} \quad \tilde{f}\{e^{-ax^2}\} &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ax^2} \cdot e^{-i\omega x} dx \\
 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-(\sqrt{a}x + \frac{i\omega}{2\sqrt{a}})^2} \cdot e^{-\omega^2/4a} dx \\
 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-y^2} \cdot e^{-\omega^2/4a} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} dy \quad (y = \sqrt{a}x + \frac{i\omega}{2\sqrt{a}}) \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} e^{-\omega^2/4a} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-y^2} dy \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} e^{-\omega^2/4a} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-y^2} dy \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} e^{-\omega^2/4a} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{a}} e^{-\omega^2/4a}
 \end{aligned}$$

Taking $a = \frac{1}{2}$, we get $\tilde{f}\{e^{-x^2/2}\} = \sqrt{2\pi} e^{-\omega^2/2}$ A

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Now, if } f(x) &= e^{-ax^2} \\
 \text{then } f'(x) &= -2ax e^{-ax^2} \\
 \therefore \tilde{f}(f'(x)) &= \tilde{f}(-2ax e^{-ax^2}) \\
 &= (i\omega) \tilde{f}(f(x)) \\
 &= (i\omega) \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{a}} e^{-\omega^2/4a}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \tilde{f}(xe^{-ax^2}) = -\frac{i\omega}{2a} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{a}} e^{-\omega^2/4a} \quad \underline{A}$$

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Ques Find $\mathcal{F}\{f(t)\}$ where $f(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & t < 0 \\ e^{-\alpha t}, & t \geq 0 \end{cases}, \alpha > 0$

or

Find $\mathcal{F}\{f(t)\}$ where $f(t) = e^{-\alpha t} U(t), \alpha > 0$ where $U(t)$

is unit step function.

Hence prove that $\mathcal{F}(t^n e^{-\alpha t} U(t)) = \frac{n!}{(\alpha + i\omega)^{n+1}}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sol } \mathcal{F}(f(t)) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\alpha t} U(t) e^{-i\omega t} dt \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\alpha t} \cdot e^{-i\omega t} dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(\alpha+i\omega)t} dt \\ &= \left\{ \frac{e^{-(\alpha+i\omega)t}}{-(\alpha+i\omega)} \right\}_0^{\infty} = \frac{1}{(\alpha+i\omega)} \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

Differentiate n times w.r.t ω ,

$$\int_0^{\infty} e^{-\alpha t} (-it)^n e^{-i\omega t} dt = \frac{(-1)^n n! i^n}{(\alpha+i\omega)^{n+1}}$$

$$\therefore \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\alpha t} t^n e^{-i\omega t} dt = \frac{n!}{(\alpha+i\omega)^{n+1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{F}(e^{-\alpha t} t^n U(t)) = \frac{n!}{(\alpha+i\omega)^{n+1}}$$

Remark

$$\boxed{\mathcal{F}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{\alpha+i\omega}\right\} = e^{-\alpha t} U(t), \alpha > 0} \quad \text{by (1)}$$

Also note that $\boxed{\mathcal{F}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{\alpha-i\omega}\right\} = e^{\alpha t} U(t), \alpha > 0}$ [because]

If $\mathcal{F}\{f(t)\} = F(\omega)$ then $\mathcal{F}\{f(-t)\} = F(-\omega)$]

$$\begin{aligned} [\because \mathcal{F}\{f(-t)\}] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(-t) e^{-i\omega t} dt \\ &= \int_{\infty}^{\infty} f(u) e^{i\omega u} (-du) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) e^{-i(-\omega)u} du \\ &= F(-\omega) \end{aligned}$$

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Ques Find the Fourier transform of

Sol (i) $f(t) = e^{-|t|}$ (ii) $-f(t) = e^{-a|t|}$, $a > 0$ and deduce the value of $\mathcal{F}\{e^{-a|t-b|}\}$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Sol} \quad \text{(i)} \quad \mathcal{F}\{f(t)\} &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-|t|} e^{-i\omega t} dt \\
 &= \left[\int_{-\infty}^0 e^t \cdot e^{-i\omega t} dt + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} \cdot e^{-i\omega t} dt \right] \\
 &= \left\{ \frac{e^{(1-i\omega)t}}{(1-i\omega)} \right\}_{-\infty}^0 + \left\{ \frac{e^{-(1+i\omega)t}}{-(1+i\omega)} \right\}_0^{\infty} \\
 &= \frac{1}{(1-i\omega)} + \frac{1}{(1+i\omega)} = \frac{2}{(1+\omega^2)} \quad A \\
 &= F(\omega)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ii)} \quad \mathcal{F}\{e^{-a|t|}\} &= \mathcal{F}\{e^{-|at|}\} \quad (\because a > 0) \\
 &= \frac{1}{a} F\left(\frac{\omega}{a}\right) \quad \text{by change of scale prop.} \\
 &= \frac{1}{a} \cdot \frac{2}{1+\left(\frac{\omega}{a}\right)^2} = \frac{2a}{(\omega^2+a^2)} \quad A \\
 &= G(\omega)
 \end{aligned}$$

By shifting property on t -axis

$$\mathcal{F}\{e^{-a|t-b|}\} = e^{-ib\omega} G(\omega) = \frac{2ae^{-ib\omega}}{(\omega^2+a^2)} \quad A$$

Ques Find $\mathcal{F}^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{12+7is-s^2}\right]$

$$\text{Sol} \quad \mathcal{F}^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{12+7is-s^2}\right] = \mathcal{F}^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{(4+is)(3+is)}\right] = \mathcal{F}^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{(3+is)} - \frac{1}{(4+is)}\right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{But } \mathcal{F}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{4+is}\right\} &= e^{-4t} U(t) \\
 \text{and } \mathcal{F}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{3+is}\right\} &= e^{-3t} U(t) \quad \left\{ \because \mathcal{F}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{\alpha+i\omega}\right\} = e^{-\alpha t} U(t) \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{12+7is-s^2}\right] &= (e^{-3t}-e^{-4t})U(t) \\ &= \begin{cases} e^{-3t}(1-e^{-t}) & ; t \geq 0 \\ 0 & ; t < 0 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Ques Using Convolution theorem, find

$$f^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{12+7is-s^2}\right]$$

Sol We have $f^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{12+7is-s^2}\right] = f^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{(4+is)(3+is)}\right]$

But $f^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{4+is}\right\} = e^{-4t}U(t)$

and $f^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{3+is}\right\} = e^{-3t}U(t)$

∴ By Convolution theorem

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{12+7is-s^2}\right] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-4u}U(u)e^{-3(t-u)}U(t-u)du \\ &= e^{-3t} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-4u}U(u)U(t-u)du \end{aligned}$$

But $U(u) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } u < 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } u \geq 0 \end{cases}$ and $U(t-u) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } t < u \\ 1 & \text{if } t \geq u \end{cases}$

$$\therefore U(u)U(t-u) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } 0 \leq u \leq t \\ 0 & \text{if } t < u < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$f^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{12+7is-s^2}\right] = \begin{cases} e^{-3t} \int_0^t e^{-4u}du & ; t \geq 0 \\ 0 & ; t < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} e^{-3t}(-e^{-4})_0^t & ; t \geq 0 \\ 0 & ; t < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} e^{-3t}(1-e^{-t}) & ; t \geq 0 \\ 0 & ; t < 0 \end{cases}$$

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Que Find $\mathcal{F}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{4+\omega^2}\right\}$

Sol $\mathcal{F}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{4+\omega^2}\right\} = \mathcal{F}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{(2+i\omega)(2-i\omega)}\right\}$
 $= \mathcal{F}^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{4}\left(\frac{1}{2+i\omega} + \frac{1}{2-i\omega}\right)\right\}$

Now, $\mathcal{F}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\alpha+i\omega}\right) = e^{-\alpha t} U(t), \alpha > 0$

and $\mathcal{F}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\alpha-i\omega}\right) = e^{\alpha t} U(-t), \alpha > 0$

$\therefore \mathcal{F}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{4+\omega^2}\right) = \frac{1}{4}(e^{-\alpha t} U(t) + e^{\alpha t} U(-t))$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4} e^{-\alpha t} & \text{if } t > 0 \\ \frac{1}{4} e^{\alpha t} & \text{if } t < 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} \cosh \alpha t & \text{if } t = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$U(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } t < 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } t \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$U(-t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } t > 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } t \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\cosh \alpha = \frac{e^\alpha + e^{-\alpha}}{2} = 1$$

Que Do Fourier sine and cosine transforms of $\exp(x)$ exist?
 Explain. [Ist term, Sep 14, 3 or 4 marks]

Sol If Fourier sine transform of e^x exists then

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{f}_s(e^x) &= \int_0^\infty e^x \sin(\omega x) dx \\ &= \left[\frac{e^x}{i\omega} [\sin(\omega x) - \omega \cos(\omega x)] \right]_0^\infty \end{aligned}$$

But $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^x (\sin(\omega x) - \omega \cos(\omega x))$ does not exist

$\therefore \tilde{f}_s(e^x)$ does not exist.

Similarly if Fourier cosine transform of e^x exists then

$$\tilde{f}_c(e^x) = \int_0^\infty e^x \cos(\omega x) dx = \left[\frac{e^x}{1+\omega^2} \{ \cos(\omega x) + \omega \sin(\omega x) \} \right]_0^\infty$$

But $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^x (\cos(\omega x) + \omega \sin(\omega x))$ does not exist

$\therefore \tilde{f}_c(e^x)$ does not exist.

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Ques Find the Fourier sine transform of $e^{-|x|}$. Hence evaluate

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{x \sin mx}{(1+x^2)} dx, \quad (m > 0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sol } f_s \{ e^{-|x|} \} &= \int_0^\infty e^{-|x|} \sin \omega x dx = \int_0^\infty e^{-x} \sin \omega x dx \\ &= \left[\frac{e^{-x}}{(1+\omega^2)} \{ -\sin \omega x - \omega \cos \omega x \} \right]_0^\infty = \frac{\omega}{(1+\omega^2)} \end{aligned}$$

Taking the inverse Fourier sine transform on both sides, we get

$$e^{-|x|} = f_s^{-1} \left\{ \frac{\omega}{1+\omega^2} \right\} = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{\omega}{1+\omega^2} \sin \omega x d\omega$$

Now, replacing x by $m > 0$ on both sides, we get

$$\begin{aligned} e^{-m} &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{\omega \sin m\omega}{1+\omega^2} d\omega = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{x \sin mx}{1+x^2} dx \\ \Rightarrow \int_0^\infty \frac{x \sin mx}{1+x^2} dx &= \frac{\pi}{2} e^{-m} \quad \underline{A} \end{aligned}$$

Ques Find the Fourier cosine transform of e^{-x^2}

$$\text{Sol } f_c(e^{-x^2}) = \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} \cos(\omega x) dx \quad \underline{(1)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{d}{d\omega} f_c(e^{-x^2}) &= \int_0^\infty -x e^{-x^2} \sin(\omega x) dx & \int -2x e^{-x^2} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty \sin(\omega x) (-2x e^{-x^2}) dx & = \int e^t dt \quad -x^2 = t \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \sin(\omega x) \cdot e^{-x^2} \right\}_0^\infty - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty \omega \cos(\omega x) e^{-x^2} dx & -2x dx = dt \\ &= -\frac{\omega}{2} f_c(e^{-x^2}) & (\text{Integrating by parts}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{dy}{d\omega} + \frac{\omega}{2} y = 0 \quad \text{where } y = f_c(e^{-x^2})$$

It is Leibnitz's linear diff. equation

$$\text{I.F.} = e^{\int \frac{\omega}{2} d\omega} = e^{\omega^2/4}$$

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$$\therefore \text{Suf. is } y \cdot e^{\omega^2/4} = C$$

$$\therefore y = f_C(e^{-x^2}) = C e^{-\omega^2/4} \quad (2)$$

$$\text{For } \omega = 0, \quad f_C(e^{-x^2}) = \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx \quad \text{by (1)}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$$

$$\therefore \text{From (2)} \quad \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} = C \quad (\text{put } \omega = 0)$$

$$\therefore \boxed{f_C(e^{-x^2}) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} e^{-\omega^2/4}} \quad A$$

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Application of Fourier Transform to Differential Equations

Let $u = u(x, t)$ be a function of two variables. Then,

$$f\{u(x, t)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u(x, t) e^{-i\omega x} dx = U(\omega, t) \quad (\text{Fourier transform, w.r.t } x)$$

and the corresponding inverse Fourier transform is

$$u(x, t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} U(\omega, t) e^{i\omega x} d\omega$$

$$\text{Also, } f_c\{u(x, t)\} = \int_0^{\infty} u(x, t) \cos \omega x dx = U_c(\omega, t) \quad (\text{w.r.t } x)$$

and the corresponding inverse Fourier cosine transform is

$$u(x, t) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} U_c(\omega, t) \cos \omega x d\omega$$

$$\text{Similarly } f_s\{u(x, t)\} = \int_0^{\infty} u(x, t) \sin \omega x dx = U_s(\omega, t) \quad (\text{w.r.t } x)$$

and the corresponding inverse Fourier sine transform is

$$u(x, t) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} U_s(\omega, t) \sin \omega x d\omega$$

Remark (1) Formulae w.r.t x

$$(a) f\left(\frac{\partial^n u}{\partial x^n}\right) = (i\omega)^n f\{u(x, t)\} \quad \text{and} \quad f\left(\frac{\partial^n u}{\partial t^n}\right) = \frac{d^n}{dt^n} f\{u(x, t)\}$$

$$(b) f_c\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right) = \omega f_c\{u(x, t)\} - u(0, t) \quad \text{and} \quad f_s\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right) = -\omega f_s\{u(x, t)\}$$

$$(c) f_c\left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}\right) = -\omega^2 f_c\{u(x, t)\} - \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right)(0, t)$$

$$f_s\left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}\right) = -\omega^2 f_s\{u(x, t)\} + \omega u(0, t)$$

$$(d) f_c\left(\frac{\partial^n u}{\partial t^n}\right) = \frac{d^n}{dt^n} f_c\{u(x, t)\}, \quad f_s\left(\frac{\partial^n u}{\partial t^n}\right) = \frac{d^n}{dt^n} f_s\{u(x, t)\}$$

(2) In most of the cases, we choose the transform according as

If $(u)_{x=0}$ i.e., $u(0, t)$ is given as constant then use Fourier sine transform w.r.t x . If $\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right)_{x=0}$ i.e., $\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right)(0, t)$ is given

as constant then use Fourier cosine transform w.r.t x

otherwise use Fourier transform w.r.t x .

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- (3) All the above transforms and above formulae written in remark (1) can also be use w.r.to t if needed.

For example if $\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}\right)_{t=0}$ i.e., $\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}\right)(x, 0)$ is given as constant

then use Fourier cosine transform w.r.to t . In this case all the above formulae will be interchange in x and t .

$$(3) \quad \text{erf}(x) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^x e^{-y^2} dy \quad (\text{It is called error-function})$$

and $\text{erf}_c(x) = 1 - \text{erf}(x) \quad (\text{It is called complementary error-function})$

Also, note that

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-y^2}}{y} \sin(xy) dy = \frac{\pi}{2} \text{erf}\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$$

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Ques If the initial temperature of an infinite bar is given by

$$\theta(x) = \begin{cases} \theta_0, & \text{for } |x| < a \\ 0, & \text{for } |x| > a \end{cases}$$

determine the temperature at any point x and at any instant t .

Sol To determine the temperature $\theta(x,t)$ we have to solve the heat equation $\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial x^2}, t > 0$ ——— (1)

subject to the initial condition

$$\theta(x,0) = \begin{cases} \theta_0 & \text{for } |x| < a \\ 0 & \text{for } |x| > a \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

Taking Fourier transform of both sides of (1) w.r.t x ,

$$\frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{F}\{\theta(x,t)\} = c^2 [(\omega)^2 \mathcal{F}\{\theta(x,t)\}]$$

$\therefore \mathcal{F}\{f^{(n)}(x)\} = (\omega)^n \mathcal{F}\{f(x)\}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dI}{dt} + c^2 \omega^2 I = 0 \quad \text{where } I = \mathcal{F}\{\theta(x,t)\}$$

$$\therefore \text{Sol. is } I = A e^{-c^2 \omega^2 t} \quad (\because \text{A.E. is } m + c^2 \omega^2 = 0 \Rightarrow m = -c^2 \omega^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{F}\{\theta(x,t)\} = A e^{-c^2 \omega^2 t} \quad (3)$$

Now, taking the Fourier transform of (2), we get

$$\mathcal{F}\{\theta(x,0)\} = \int_{-a}^a \theta_0 e^{-i\omega x} dx = \theta_0 \left(\frac{e^{-i\omega a}}{-i\omega} \right) \Big|_{-a}^a = \frac{\theta_0}{i\omega} (e^{i\omega a} - e^{-i\omega a})$$

$$= \frac{2\theta_0 \sin \omega a}{\omega} \quad (4)$$

From (3) and (4), when $t=0$,

$$A = \frac{2\theta_0 \sin \omega a}{\omega}$$

$$\therefore \mathcal{F}\{\theta(x,t)\} = \frac{2\theta_0 \sin \omega a}{\omega} e^{-c^2 \omega^2 t}$$

Now, taking the inverse Fourier transform, we get

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \theta(x, t) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{2\theta_0 \sin \omega}{\omega} e^{-c^2 \omega^2 t} e^{i\omega x} d\omega \\
 &= \frac{\theta_0}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin \omega}{\omega} e^{-c^2 \omega^2 t} (\cos \omega x + i \sin \omega x) d\omega \\
 &= \frac{2\theta_0}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin \omega}{\omega} e^{-c^2 \omega^2 t} \cos \omega x d\omega \quad (\text{by the prop. of definite integral}) \\
 &= \frac{\theta_0}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-c^2 \omega^2 t} \left\{ \frac{\sin(a+x)\omega + \sin(a-x)\omega}{\omega} \right\} d\omega
 \end{aligned}$$

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Put $\omega = \frac{1}{c\sqrt{t}} y$, $\theta(x, t) = \frac{\theta_0}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-y^2} \left[\frac{1}{y} \sin \frac{(a+x)y}{c\sqrt{t}} + \frac{1}{y} \sin \frac{(a-x)y}{c\sqrt{t}} \right] dy$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{\theta_0}{\pi} \left[\frac{\pi}{2} \operatorname{erf} \frac{(a+x)}{2c\sqrt{t}} + \frac{\pi}{2} \operatorname{erf} \frac{(a-x)}{2c\sqrt{t}} \right] = \frac{\theta_0}{2} \left[\operatorname{erf} \frac{(a+x)}{2c\sqrt{t}} + \operatorname{erf} \frac{(a-x)}{2c\sqrt{t}} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

Que Solve the equation $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$, $x > 0, t > 0$ subject to the conditions (i) $u = 0$ when $x = 0, t > 0$

$$\text{(ii)} \quad u = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 < x < 1 \\ 0, & x \geq 1 \end{cases} \quad \text{when } t = 0$$

and (iii) $u(x, t)$ is bounded.

Sol Take Fourier sine-transform of both sides w.r.t x ,

$$f_s \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right) = f_s \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \right) \quad (\because u(x, t)_{x=0} \text{ is given})$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} U_s(\omega, t) = -\omega^2 U_s(\omega, t) + u(0, t) \quad \text{where } F_s u(x, t) = U_s(\omega, t)$$

But $u(0, t) = 0$ for $t > 0$

$$\therefore \frac{d}{dt} U_s(\omega, t) = -\omega^2 U_s(\omega, t)$$

Solution of this first order ordinary differential equation is

$$U_s(\omega, t) = A e^{-\omega^2 t} \quad (\because \text{A.E. is } m + \omega^2 = 0 \Rightarrow m = -\omega^2) \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Now } u(x, 0) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 < x < 1 \\ 0, & x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

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$$U_s(\omega, 0) = \int_0^1 \sin \omega x dx = -\frac{1}{\omega} (\cos \omega x)_0^1 = \frac{1 - \cos \omega}{\omega}$$

$$\therefore \text{From (1), } U_s(\omega, 0) = A = \frac{1 - \cos \omega}{\omega}$$

$$\therefore U_s(\omega, t) = \frac{1 - \cos \omega}{\omega} e^{-\omega^2 t}$$

Take inverse Fourier sine transform

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, t) &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{1 - \cos \omega}{\omega} e^{-\omega^2 t} \sin \omega x d\omega \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-\omega^2 t}}{\omega} [2 \sin \omega x - 2 \sin \omega x \cos \omega] d\omega \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-\omega^2 t}}{\omega} [2 \sin \omega x - \sin \omega(x+1) - \sin \omega(x-1)] d\omega \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Put } \omega = y/\sqrt{t}$$

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, t) &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty e^{-y^2} \left[\frac{2 \sin(xy/\sqrt{t})}{y} - \frac{\sin((x+1)y/\sqrt{t})}{y} - \frac{\sin((x-1)y/\sqrt{t})}{y} \right] dy \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \frac{\pi}{2} \left[2 \operatorname{erf} \frac{x}{2\sqrt{t}} - \operatorname{erf} \frac{x+1}{2\sqrt{t}} - \operatorname{erf} \frac{x-1}{2\sqrt{t}} \right] \\ &\quad \text{(from remark(3))} \\ &= \operatorname{erf} \frac{x}{2\sqrt{t}} - \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{erf} \frac{x+1}{2\sqrt{t}} - \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{erf} \frac{x-1}{2\sqrt{t}} \end{aligned}$$

Ques Use Fourier sine transform to solve the equation

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} = k \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial x^2}, \quad x > 0, t > 0 \quad \text{--- (1) [Tut Q. 8]}$$

subject to the conditions

$$V = V_0 \text{ when } x = 0, t > 0 \text{ and } V = 0 \text{ when } t = 0, x > 0.$$

Sol Taking Fourier sine transform on both sides of (1) w.r.t. x , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}_s \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} \right) &= k \mathcal{F}_s \left(\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial x^2} \right) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} V_s(\omega, t) &= k [\omega V(0, t) - \omega^2 V_s(\omega, t)] \quad \text{where } \mathcal{F}_s V(x, t) = V_s(\omega, t) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} V_s(\omega, t) + k \omega^2 V_s(\omega, t) &= k \omega V_0 \quad (\because V(0, t) = V_0) \end{aligned} \tag{25}$$

It is linear in $V_s(\omega, t)$

$$\text{I.F.} = e^{\int k \omega^2 dt} = e^{k \omega^2 t}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{Solution is} \\ \{V_s(\omega, t)\} \cdot e^{k \omega^2 t} &= \int k \omega V_0 e^{k \omega^2 t} dt + A \\ \Rightarrow V_s(\omega, t) &= \frac{V_0}{\omega} e^{k \omega^2 t} + A e^{-k \omega^2 t} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Now, } V(x, 0) = 0$$

$$\therefore V_s(\omega, 0) = \int_0^\infty 0 \cdot \sin \omega x \, d\omega = 0$$

$$\therefore \text{From (1), } V_s(\omega, 0) = \frac{V_0}{\omega} + A = 0 \Rightarrow A = -\frac{V_0}{\omega}$$

$$\text{Hence } V_s(\omega, t) = \frac{V_0}{\omega} (1 - e^{-k \omega^2 t})$$

Take inverse Fourier sine-transform

$$\begin{aligned} V(x, t) &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{V_0}{\omega} (1 - e^{-k \omega^2 t}) \sin \omega x \, d\omega \\ &= \frac{2V_0}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin \omega x}{\omega} \, d\omega - \frac{2V_0}{\pi} \int_0^\infty e^{-k \omega^2 t} \frac{\sin \omega x}{\omega} \, d\omega \\ &= V_0 - \frac{2V_0}{\pi} \int_0^\infty e^{-k \omega^2 t} \frac{\sin \omega x}{\omega} \, d\omega \quad // \\ &= V_0 - \frac{2V_0}{\pi} \int_0^\infty e^{-y^2} \frac{1}{y} \sin \frac{xy}{\sqrt{kt}} \, dy \quad (\omega = \frac{y}{\sqrt{kt}}) \\ &= V_0 - \frac{2V_0}{\pi} \cdot \frac{\pi}{2} \operatorname{erf} \left(\frac{x}{2\sqrt{kt}} \right) \\ &= V_0 \left(1 - \operatorname{erf} \frac{x}{2\sqrt{kt}} \right) = V_0 \operatorname{erfc} \frac{x}{2\sqrt{kt}} \end{aligned}$$

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Ques The steady state temperature distribution $u(x, y)$ in a thin homogeneous semi-infinite plate is governed by the boundary value problem $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0, 0 < x < l, 0 < y < \infty$ ——— (1)

$$u(0, y) = e^{-5y}, u(l, y) = 0, \quad \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}\right)(x, 0) = 0, \quad 0 < x < l$$

Find the temperature distribution $u(x, y)$.

Sol Since $\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}\right)_{y=0}$ is given, therefore we take the Fourier cosine transform on both sides of eqn.(1) w.r.t. y

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore F_C \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \right) + F_C \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{d^2}{dx^2} U_C(x, \omega) + \left[-\omega^2 U_C(x, \omega) - \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)_{y=0} \right] &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{d^2}{dx^2} U_C(x, \omega) - \omega^2 U_C(x, \omega) &= 0 \quad \text{where } F_C \{ u(x, y) \} = U_C(x, \omega) \\ \therefore \text{Sol. is } U_C(x, \omega) &= C_1 e^{-\omega x} + C_2 e^{\omega x} \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

But $u(l, y) = 0$

$$\therefore U_C(l, \omega) = \int_0^\infty 0 \cdot \cos \omega y \, dy = 0$$

$$\therefore \text{from (1), } U_C(l, \omega) = C_1 e^{-\omega l} + C_2 e^{\omega l} = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$\text{Also, } u(0, y) = e^{-5y}, \quad y > 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore U_C(0, \omega) &= \int_0^\infty e^{-5y} \cos \omega y \, dy \\ &= \left[\frac{e^{-5y}}{(\omega^2 + 25)} (-5 \cos \omega y + \omega \sin \omega y) \right]_0^\infty = \frac{5}{\omega^2 + 25} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{from (1), } U_C(0, \omega) = C_1 + C_2 = \frac{5}{(\omega^2 + 25)} \quad (3)$$

Solving (2) and (3),

(27)

$$c_1 = \frac{-5e^{\omega l}}{(\omega^2 + 25)(e^{-\omega l} - e^{\omega l})} = \frac{5e^{\omega l}}{2(\omega^2 + 25) \sinh(\omega l)}$$

$$c_2 = \frac{5e^{-\omega l}}{(\omega^2 + 25)(e^{-\omega l} - e^{\omega l})} = \frac{5e^{-\omega l}}{2(\omega^2 + 25) \sinh(\omega l)}$$

Substituting in (1),

$$\begin{aligned} U_C(x, \omega) &= \frac{5[e^{\omega(l-x)} - e^{-\omega(l-x)}]}{2(\omega^2 + 25) \sinh(\omega l)} = \frac{5 \sinh(\omega l - \omega x)}{(\omega^2 + 25) \sinh(\omega l)} \\ &= \frac{5[\sinh(\omega l) \cosh(\omega x) - \cosh(\omega l) \sinh(\omega x)]}{(\omega^2 + 25) \sinh(\omega l)} \\ &= \frac{5}{(\omega^2 + 25)} [\cosh(\omega x) - \coth(\omega l) \sinh(\omega x)] \end{aligned}$$

Take inverse Fourier cosine transform

$$u(x, y) = \frac{10}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{(\omega^2 + 25)} [\cosh(\omega x) - \coth(\omega l) \sinh(\omega x)] \cos(\omega y) d\omega$$

which gives the required solution.