

## Transform theory 2023-06-03 – Solutions

1. (a) No. Note that  $u(-t)$  is undefined if  $t > 0$ . Or if we extend  $u(t) = 0$  for  $t < 0$ , then  $\mathcal{L}(u(-t)) = 0 \neq U(-s)$  in general.
- (b) Yes. We have  $\|\mathcal{F}u\|_\infty \leq \|u\|_{L^1(\mathbf{R})}$ , so choose  $C = \|u\|_{L^1(\mathbf{R})}$ .
- (c) No. The function  $U$  is discontinuous at  $\omega = 0$ .
- (d) No. Note that  $u(-\pi) = -\pi/2 \neq \pi/2 = u(\pi)$ , so the periodic extension of  $u$  is discontinuous. The convergence of the Fourier series can not be uniform on  $\mathbf{R}$ .
- (e) No. The function  $u$  is not exponentially bounded. Indeed, for example using the root-test, we find that  $R = \infty$  so the series is divergent for all  $z$ .

**Answer:** No, Yes, No, No, No.

2. We take the Z transform of the equation and find that

$$z^2U(z) - z^2u[0] - zu[1] - U(z) = \frac{4z}{z+1},$$

where we assume that (at least)  $|z| > 1$ . Reformulating this equation, we find that

$$U(z)(z^2 - 1) = z^2 + z + \frac{4z}{z+1} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \begin{aligned} U(z) &= \frac{z^2 + z}{z^2 - 1} + \frac{4z}{(z+1)(z^2 - 1)} \\ &= \frac{z}{z-1} + \frac{4z}{(z+1)^2(z-1)}. \end{aligned}$$

We decompose into partial fractions:

$$U(z) = \frac{z}{z-1} + z \left( \frac{-2}{(z+1)^2} + \frac{1}{z-1} - \frac{1}{z+1} \right) = \frac{2z}{z-1} - \frac{z}{z+1} - \frac{2z}{(z+1)^2}.$$

From a table:

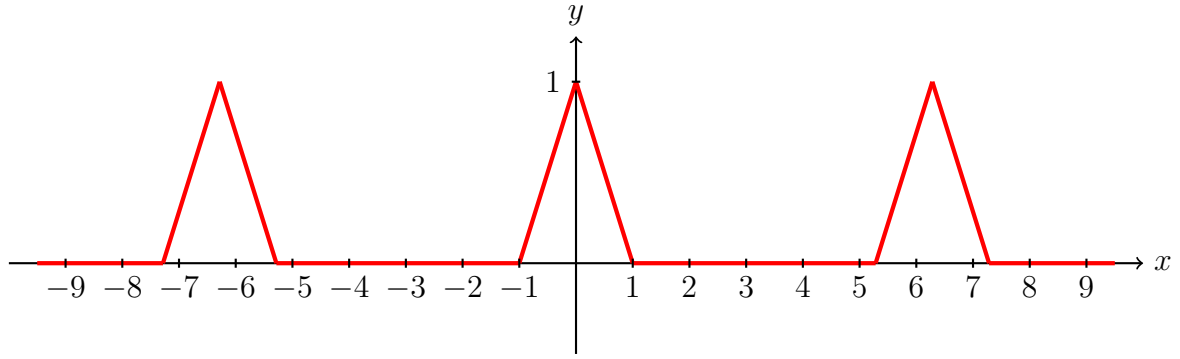
$$\mathcal{Z}(1) = \frac{z}{z-1}, \quad \mathcal{Z}((-1)^k) = \frac{z}{z+1}, \quad \mathcal{Z}(k(-1)^k) = \frac{-z}{(z+1)^2}.$$

By linearity and uniqueness, we therefore find that

$$u[k] = 2 - (-1)^k + 2k(-1)^k = 2 - (-1)^k + 2k(-1)^k, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

**Answer:**  $u[k] = 2 - (-1)^k + 2k(-1)^k$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$

3. Clearly  $u \in E$ . This is clear since the function is piecewise “linear.” It is also clear that  $D^\pm u(x)$  exists at all points. Moreover,  $u$  is continuous on  $\mathbf{R}$  ( $u$  is continuous on  $[-\pi, \pi]$ ,  $u(-\pi) = u(\pi)$  and  $u$  is periodically extended). Hence – by Dirichlet’s theorem – the Fourier series of  $u$  is convergent and converges to  $u(x)$  for all  $x \in \mathbf{R}$ . Moreover,  $u' \in E$  ( $u'$  is piecewise constant), and therefore the convergence of the Fourier series is uniform on  $\mathbf{R}$ . We sketch the function below.



Since  $u$  is an even function,  $b_k = 0$  for  $k = 1, 2, \dots$ . For  $k \geq 1$ , we find (using the fact that  $u$  and  $\cos kx$  are even functions)

$$\begin{aligned} a_k &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} u(x) \cos kx \, dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-1}^1 (1 - |x|) \cos kx \, dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^1 (1 - x) \cos kx \, dx \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \left( \left[ (1 - x) \frac{\sin kx}{k} \right]_0^1 + \int_0^1 \frac{\sin kx}{k} \, dx \right) = \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ \frac{-\cos kx}{k^2} \right]_0^1 = \frac{2(1 - \cos k)}{\pi k^2} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-1}^1 (1 - |x|) \, dx = \frac{1}{\pi}.$$

Hence

$$u(x) \sim \frac{1}{2\pi} + \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1 - \cos k}{k^2} \cos kx =: S(x).$$

By the argument above, the Fourier series  $S(x)$  converges to  $u(x)$ , so  $S(x) = u(x)$  for all  $x \in \mathbf{R}$ . In particular, we can let  $x = 0$  to find that

$$\begin{aligned} 1 = u(0) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} + \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1 - \cos k}{k^2} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad 1 - \frac{1}{2\pi} = \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1 - \cos k}{k^2} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \quad \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1 - \cos k}{k^2} = 1 - \frac{1}{2\pi} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1 - \cos k}{k^2} = \frac{\pi}{2} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{2\pi} \right) = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{1}{4}, \end{aligned}$$

which was what we wanted to prove.

**Answer:**  $u(x) \sim \frac{1}{2\pi} + \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1 - \cos k}{k^2} \cos kx$ ; see above.

4. The left-hand side is a convolution of  $f$  with the function  $t \mapsto \frac{1}{t^2+4}$ . The right-hand side is a translation of the function  $t \mapsto \frac{1}{t^2+25}$ . Taking the Fourier transform of the equation, we obtain that

$$F(\omega) \frac{\pi}{2} e^{-2|\omega|} = e^{i\omega} \frac{\pi}{5} e^{-5|\omega|} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad F(\omega) = e^{i\omega} \frac{2}{5} e^{-3|\omega|} = e^{i\omega} \frac{6}{5\pi} \frac{\pi}{3} e^{-3|\omega|}.$$

Since  $\mathcal{F}((t^2 + 9)^{-1}) = \frac{\pi}{3}e^{-3|\omega|}$ , it follows from the translation property that

$$\mathcal{F}\left(\frac{1}{(t+1)^2 + 9}\right) = e^{i\omega} \frac{\pi}{3} e^{-3|\omega|}.$$

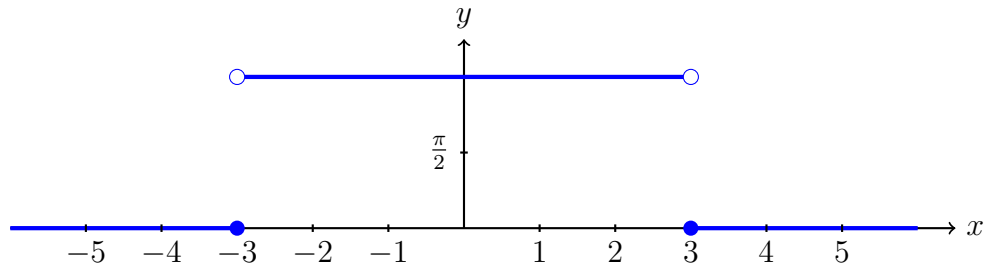
Therefore we have found

$$f(t) = \frac{6}{5\pi} \frac{1}{(t+1)^2 + 9}, \quad t \in \mathbf{R}.$$

It is clear that  $f \in G(\mathbf{R})$ .

**Answer:**  $f(t) = \frac{6}{5\pi} \frac{1}{(t+1)^2 + 9}.$

5. (a) We observe that  $u \in G(\mathbf{R})$  and sketch the graph below.



Hence the Fourier transform exists and by definition (if  $\omega \neq 0$ )

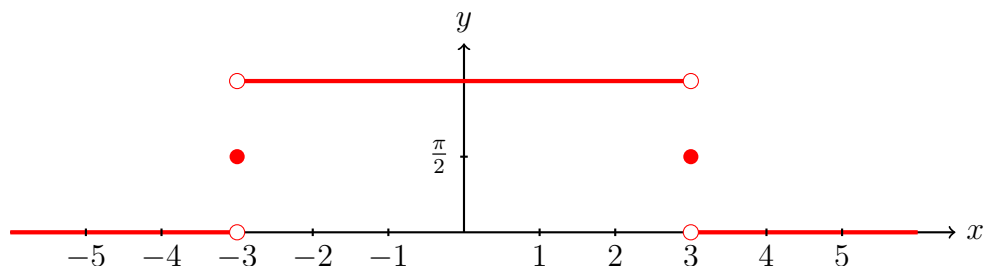
$$\begin{aligned} U(\omega) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u(x)e^{-i\omega x} dx = \int_{-3}^3 e^{-i\omega x} dx = \left[ \frac{e^{-i\omega x}}{-i\omega} \right]_{x=-3}^{x=3} \\ &= \frac{e^{i3\omega} - e^{-i3\omega}}{i\omega} = \frac{2 \sin 3\omega}{\omega}. \end{aligned}$$

At  $\omega = 0$ , we can either use the continuity of  $U$  to define  $U(0)$  or calculate directly:

$$U(0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u(x)e^{-ix} dx = \int_{-3}^3 dx = 6.$$

(b) First, we note that  $\frac{\sin 3\omega}{\omega}$  is  $\frac{1}{2}U(\omega)$  and that  $D^\pm u(x)$  exists for all  $x$ , so by Dirichlet's theorem, we find that

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-t}^t \frac{1}{2} U(\omega) e^{i\omega x} d\omega = \frac{2\pi}{2} \cdot \frac{u(x^+) + u(x^-)}{2} = \begin{cases} \pi, & |x| < \pi, \\ \pi \cdot (0+1)/2 = \frac{\pi}{2}, & x = \pm 3, \\ 0, & |x| > 3. \end{cases}$$



(c) We use the substitution  $t = 3\omega$  and then Parseval's identity to find that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\sin \omega}{\omega} \right)^2 d\omega &= \frac{1}{4} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left( \frac{2 \sin 3t}{3t} \right)^2 3 dt = \frac{1}{12} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |U(t)|^2 dt \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{12} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |u(x)|^2 dx = \frac{\pi}{6} \int_{-3}^3 1 dx = \pi. \end{aligned}$$

**Answer:** (a)  $U(\omega) = \begin{cases} \frac{2 \sin(3\omega)}{\omega}, & \omega \neq 0, \\ 6, & \omega = 0; \end{cases}$  (b)  $\begin{cases} 2\pi, & |x| < 3, \\ \pi, & x = \pm 3, \\ 0, & |\xi| > 3; \end{cases}$  (c)  $\pi$ .

6. (a) We have a periodic function with  $T = 2$  so

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} u(s) &= \frac{1}{1 - e^{-2s}} \int_0^2 u(t) e^{-st} dt = \frac{1}{1 - e^{-2s}} \left( \int_0^1 -e^{-st} dt + \int_1^2 e^{-st} dt \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{1 - e^{-2s}} \left( \left[ \frac{-e^{-st}}{-s} \right]_0^1 + \left[ \frac{e^{-st}}{-s} \right]_1^2 \right) = \frac{1}{1 - e^{-2s}} \left( \frac{e^{-s} - 1}{s} + \frac{-e^{-2s} + e^{-s}}{s} \right) \\ &= \frac{e^{-2s} - 2e^{-s} + 1}{s(e^{-2s} - 1)} = \frac{(e^{-s} - 1)^2}{s(e^{-2s} - 1)}, \quad \text{Re } s > 0. \end{aligned}$$

(b) We see that, if  $U(s) = \mathcal{L} u(s)$  with  $\text{Re } s > b$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(u(at))(s) &= \int_0^{\infty} u(at) e^{-st} dt = \int_0^{\infty} u(y) e^{-sy/a} \frac{dy}{a} \\ &= \frac{1}{a} \int_0^{\infty} u(y) e^{-(s/a)y} dy = \frac{1}{a} \mathcal{L} u \left( \frac{s}{a} \right), \quad \text{Re } s > ab. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

**Answer:** (a)  $\frac{(e^{-s} - 1)^2}{s(e^{-2s} - 1)}$  (b) see above.

7. Let  $u_k(x) = \frac{1}{3x^4 + 5k^4}$ . Clearly

$$|u_k(x)| \leq \frac{1}{k^4}, \quad k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

so the series defining  $u(x)$  is convergent for all  $x$  (actually uniformly convergent by the M-test). To show that  $u(x)$  is differentiable, we prove the uniform convergence of the series

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} u'_k(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{-12x^3}{(3x^4 + 5k^4)^2}.$$

Clearly  $u'_k(x) \rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$  and

$$u''_k(x) = \frac{180x^2(x^4 - k^4)}{(3x^4 + k^4)^3} \Rightarrow [u''_k(x) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x^4 = k^4 \text{ or } x = 0]$$

so  $u''_k(x) = 0$  if  $x = \pm k$  or  $k = 0$ . Clearly  $u''_k(0) = 0$  and therefore the maximum of  $|u'_k(x)|$  is found at  $x = \pm k$ . Thus

$$|u'_k(x)| \leq |u'_k(\pm k)| = \frac{12k^3}{(8k^4)^2} = \frac{3}{16k^5}.$$

Since  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^5} < \infty$ , the M-test proves that  $v(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} u'_k(x)$  is uniformly convergent. Moreover,  $u'_k$  are continuous for  $k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ , so  $v$  is a continuous function (by the uniform convergence). This is sufficient for claiming that  $u$  is differentiable with  $u'(x) = v(x)$  for all  $x$ . Thus  $u \in C^1$ .

**Answer:** see above.