

Transform theory 2022-06-03 – Solutions

1. (a) No. The function is discontinuous at (and unbounded near) $\omega = \pm 1$.
- (b) Yes, from the table we find that $f(t) = \frac{\pi^{-1}}{1+\omega^2}$ has this transform (and is a function from $G(\mathbf{R})$).
- (c) No. For example $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|x|}}$, $0 < |x| < 1$, and $f(x) = 0$ elsewhere, is a function such that $f \in L^1(\mathbf{R})$ but $f \notin L^2(\mathbf{R})$.
- (d) We note that $\frac{s}{s-1} = 1 + \frac{1}{s-1} \rightarrow 1$ as $|s| \rightarrow \infty$. Therefore this can't be the Laplace transform of an exponentially bounded function since the Laplace transform must tend to zero as $|s| \rightarrow \infty$.
- (e) No. The fact that the limit of the integrals equals the integral of the limiting function does not imply that the convergence is uniform; See exercise 2.4.

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

2. (a) Let $g(t) = (3-t)H(3-t)$, $t \geq 0$. We then calculate $G(s)$ directly by using the definition:

$$\begin{aligned} G(s) &= \int_0^3 (3-t)e^{-st} dt = \left[\frac{(3-t)e^{-st}}{-s} \right]_0^3 - \frac{1}{s} \int_0^3 e^{-st} dt = \frac{3}{s} - \frac{1}{s} \left[\frac{e^{-st}}{-s} \right]_0^3 \\ &= \frac{3}{s} + \frac{1}{s^2} (e^{-3s} - 1), \end{aligned}$$

where we assume that $\operatorname{Re} s > 0$.

- (b) We're looking for exponentially bounded solutions, so we assume that $|y(t)| \leq Ke^{at}$ for some constants $a, C > 0$. Taking the Laplace transform, we obtain that

$$s^2 Y(s) - sy(0) - y'(0) + 4Y(s) = 4G(s) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad Y(s)(s^2 + 4) = 1 + 4G(s),$$

where $4G(s)$ is the Laplace transform of the right-hand side (see previous exercise). Hence,

$$Y(s) = \frac{1}{s^2 + 4} + \frac{12}{s(s^2 + 4)} + \frac{4}{s^2(s^2 + 4)} (e^{-3s} - 1),$$

Decomposition in partial fractions yields

$$\frac{4}{s^2(s^2 + 4)} = \frac{1}{s^2} - \frac{1}{s^2 + 4}$$

which also gives a suitable decomposition for the the middle fraction:

$$\frac{12}{s(s^2 + 4)} = 3s \cdot \frac{4}{s^2(s^2 + 4)} = \frac{3}{s} - \frac{3s}{s^2 + 4}.$$

From a table,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(\cos 2t) &= \frac{s}{s^2 + 4}, & \mathcal{L}(\sin 2t) &= \frac{2}{s^2 + 4}, & \mathcal{L}(t) &= s^{-2}, & \mathcal{L}(1) &= s^{-1}, \\ \mathcal{L}(H(t - t_0)u(t - t_0)) &= U(s)e^{-st_0}, \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\begin{aligned}
 y(t) &= \frac{\sin 2t}{2} + 3 - 3 \cos 2t - t + \frac{\sin 2t}{2} + H(t-3) \left(t - 3 - \frac{\sin 2(t-3)}{2} \right) \\
 &= \sin 2t - 3 \cos 2t + 3 - t + H(t-3) \left(t - 3 - \frac{\sin 2(t-3)}{2} \right) \\
 &= \begin{cases} \sin 2t - 3 \cos 2t + 3 - t, & 0 \leq t < 3, \\ \sin 2t - 3 \cos 2t - \frac{1}{2} \sin 2(t-3), & t \geq 3, \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

by uniqueness.

Answer: $y(t) = \sin 2t - 3 \cos 2t + 3 - t + H(t-3) \left(t - 3 - \frac{\sin 2(t-3)}{2} \right), \quad t \geq 0.$

3. Clearly $u \in E$. We find that, for $k \neq 0$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 c_k &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} u(x) e^{-ikx} dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x e^{-ikx} dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left(\left[x \frac{e^{-ikx}}{-ik} \right]_0^{\pi} + \frac{1}{ik} \int_0^{\pi} e^{-ikx} dx \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left(\frac{\pi(-1)^k}{-ik} + \frac{1}{k^2} [e^{-ikx}]_0^{\pi} \right) = \frac{i(-1)^k}{2k} + \frac{(-1)^k - 1}{2\pi k^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

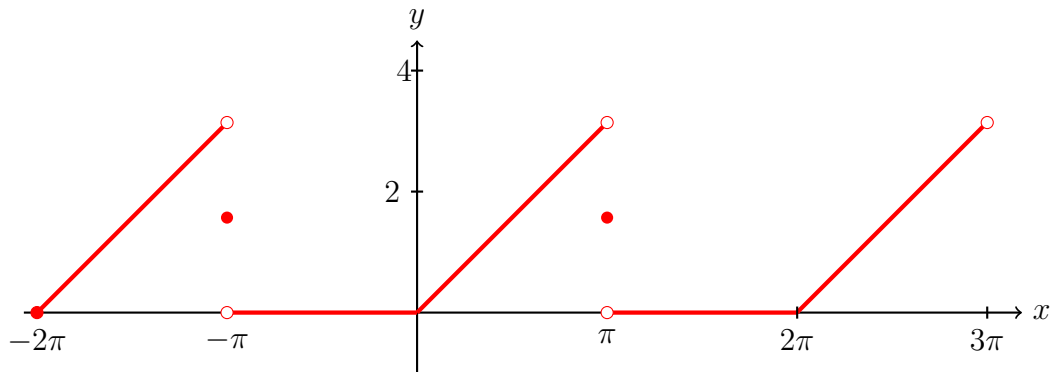
and

$$c_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x dx = \frac{\pi^2}{4\pi} = \frac{\pi}{4}.$$

Hence

$$u(x) \sim \frac{\pi}{4} + \sum_{k \neq 0} \left(\frac{i(-1)^k}{2k} + \frac{(-1)^k - 1}{2\pi k^2} \right) e^{ikx}.$$

Furthermore, the function is differentiable for $x \neq m\pi, m \in \mathbf{Z}$, and the function has right- and left-hand derivatives at $x = m\pi$ (it is piecewise straight lines). Hence – by Dirichlet’s theorem – the Fourier series is convergent and converges to $u(x)$ for every $x \neq m\pi$, to 0 at $x = 2l\pi$ ($l \in \mathbf{Z}$) and to $\pi/2$ for $x = (2l+1)\pi$ ($l \in \mathbf{Z}$). Due to the discontinuity at, e.g., $x = \pi$, the convergence can not be uniform on $[-\pi, \pi]$.



Answer: $u(x) \sim \frac{\pi}{4} + \sum_{k \neq 0} \left(\frac{i(-1)^k}{2k} + \frac{(-1)^k - 1}{2\pi k^2} \right) e^{ikx};$ see above.

4. The sum in the equation is the convolution of u with the function $k \mapsto 2^k$. We take the Z transform of the equation and find that

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

where we assume that (at least) $|z| > 2$. Reformulating this equation, we find that

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

We note that

$$\frac{z^2}{z^2 + 4} = \frac{4 \cdot (z/2)^2}{4((z/2)^2 + 1)} = \frac{(z/2)^2}{(z/2)^2 + 1}$$

and since $\mathcal{Z}(\cos \frac{n\pi}{2}) = \frac{z^2}{z^2 + 1}$, we find that

$$\mathcal{Z} \left(2^n \cos \frac{n\pi}{2} \right) = \frac{z^2}{z^2 + 4}.$$

Similarly,

$$\frac{2z}{z^2 + 4} = \frac{4 \cdot (z/2)}{4((z/2)^2 + 1)} = \frac{z/2}{(z/2)^2 + 1}$$

and since $\mathcal{Z}(\sin \frac{n\pi}{2}) = \frac{z}{z^2 + 1}$, we find that

$$\mathcal{Z} \left(2^n \sin \frac{n\pi}{2} \right) = \frac{2z}{z^2 + 4}.$$

By uniqueness,

$$u[n] = 2^n \cos \frac{n\pi}{2} - 2^n \sin \frac{n\pi}{2} = 2^n \left(\cos \frac{n\pi}{2} - \sin \frac{n\pi}{2} \right).$$

Answer: $2^n \left(\cos \frac{n\pi}{2} - \sin \frac{n\pi}{2} \right)$, $n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$

5. We note that $f(t) = (1 - \cos 4t)/t^2$, $t \neq 0$, is a function that belongs to $L^1(\mathbf{R}) \cap L^2(\mathbf{R})$. This is clear since $\cos 4t = 1 - (4t)^2/2 + O(t^4)$ close to zero, so we have no problems at the origin (f is continuous everywhere). When $|t|$ is large,

$$\left| \frac{1 - \cos 4t}{t^2} \right|^2 \leq \frac{4}{t^4},$$

which is clearly integrable for large t . From a table, we find that

$$\mathcal{F}(f)(\omega) = \begin{cases} \pi(4 - |\omega|), & |\omega| < 4, \\ 0, & |\omega| \geq 4. \end{cases}$$

By Parseval's identity, we can conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1 - \cos 4t}{t^2} \right)^2 dt &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\mathcal{F}(f)(\omega)|^2 d\omega = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-4}^4 (\pi(4 - |\omega|))^2 d\omega \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2} \cdot 2 \int_0^4 (4 - \omega)^2 d\omega = \pi \left[-\frac{(4 - \omega)^3}{3} \right]_0^4 = \frac{4^3\pi}{3} = \frac{64\pi}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

Answer: $\frac{64\pi}{3}$.

6. (a) If $u \in L^1(\mathbf{R})$ then the integral defining the Fourier transform will given as an absolutely convergent integral since $|u(x)e^{-i\omega x}| \leq |u(x)|$ (for ω real) and

$$|\mathcal{F}u(\omega)| = \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u(x) e^{-i\omega x} dx \right| \leq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |u(x)| |e^{-i\omega x}| dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |u(x)| dx < \infty,$$

independently of ω . Hence $\mathcal{F}u$ is bounded at every point.

- (b) Using integration by parts, we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-M}^M u'(x) e^{-i\omega x} dx &= / \text{I.B.P.} / = u(M)e^{-i\omega M} - u(-M)e^{i\omega M} + i\omega \int_{-M}^M u(x) e^{-i\omega x} dx \\ &\rightarrow i\omega \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u(x) e^{-i\omega x} dx = i\omega \mathcal{F}u(\omega), \text{ as } M \rightarrow \infty, \end{aligned}$$

since $u(x) \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$ ($e^{\pm i\omega M}$ is bounded).

Answer: See above.

7. The series is uniformly convergent by the Weierstrass M-test since

$$\left| \frac{\arctan k}{k^2(k+1)} \cos \frac{kx}{2} \right| \leq \frac{\pi/2}{k^2(k+1)} \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^3} \text{ is convergent.}$$

Since we're summing continuous functions, the uniform convergence implies that $u(x)$ is a continuous function. Furthermore, looking at the derivatives of the functions we're summing, we find that

$$\left| \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\arctan k}{k^2(k+1)} \cos \frac{kx}{2} \right) \right| = \left| -\frac{k \arctan k}{2k^2(k+1)} \sin \frac{kx}{2} \right| \leq \frac{\pi}{4k(k+1)} \quad \text{and since} \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2} < \infty,$$

it follows by Weierstrass M-test that $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} u'_k(x)$ converges uniformly. Furthermore, each

derivative is a continuous function. These facts imply that $u \in C^1$. Hence, by Dirichlet's theorem ($u \in C^1$ implies that one-sided derivatives exist), we know that the Fourier series for u converges on $[-\pi, \pi]$. Since u is continuous on $[-\pi, \pi]$ and obviously $u(-\pi) = u(\pi)$, this implies that the Fourier series converges to $u(x)$ for $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$.

Now to find Fourier coefficients, we use the uniform convergence of the series $u(x)$ to calculate

$$c_m = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\arctan k}{k^2(k+1)} \cos \frac{kx}{2} \right) e^{-imx} dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\arctan k}{k^2(k+1)} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos \frac{kx}{2} e^{-imx} dx.$$

If $k \neq 2|m|$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos \frac{kx}{2} e^{-imx} dx &= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left(\frac{e^{ikx/2} + e^{-ikx/2}}{2} \right) e^{-imx} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (e^{i(k-2m)x/2} + e^{-i(k+2m)x/2}) dx \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{2e^{i(k-2m)x/2}}{i(k-2m)} - \frac{2e^{-i(k+2m)x/2}}{i(k+2m)} \right]_{-\pi}^{\pi} = \left[\frac{e^{i(k-2m)x/2}}{i(k-2m)} - \frac{e^{-i(k+2m)x/2}}{i(k+2m)} \right]_{-\pi}^{\pi} \\
&= \frac{e^{i(k-2m)\pi/2}}{i(k-2m)} - \frac{e^{-i(k+2m)\pi/2}}{i(k+2m)} - \frac{e^{-i(k-2m)\pi/2}}{i(k-2m)} + \frac{e^{i(k+2m)\pi/2}}{i(k+2m)} \\
&= \frac{2 \sin((k-2m)\pi/2)}{k-2m} + \frac{2 \sin((k+2m)\pi/2)}{k+2m} \\
&= \frac{2(-1)^m \sin(k\pi/2)}{k-2m} + \frac{2(-1)^m \sin(k\pi/2)}{k+2m} \\
&= \frac{2(k+2m+k-2m)(-1)^m \sin(k\pi/2)}{(k-2m)(k+2m)} = \frac{(-1)^m 4k \sin(k\pi/2)}{k^2 - 4m^2}
\end{aligned}$$

and if $k = 2|m|$, then

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos \frac{2|m|x}{2} e^{-imx} dx = \pi$$

since $\sin(2|m|\pi/2) = \sin(|m|\pi) = 0$ (where we reused some calculations from above). The term π comes from either $e^{i(k-2m)x/2}$ or $e^{i(k+2m)x/2}$, depending on if $k = 2m$ or if $k = -2m$. Notice also that if k is even and $k \neq 2|m|$, then

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos \frac{kx}{2} e^{-imx} dx = 0$$

since $\sin(k\pi/2) = 0$ in this case. Therefore it is sufficient to sum when k is odd (except for when $k = 2|m|$). Thus, for $|m| \geq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned}
c_m &= \frac{\pi}{2\pi} \cdot \frac{\arctan(2|m|)}{4m^2(2|m|+1)} + \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\arctan(2k+1)}{(2k+1)^2(2k+2)} \frac{(-1)^m 4(2k+1)(-1)^k}{(2k+1)^2 - 4m^2} \\
&= \frac{\arctan(2|m|)}{8m^2(2|m|+1)} + \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+m} \arctan(2k+1)}{(2k+1)(k+1)((2k+1)^2 - 4m^2)},
\end{aligned}$$

where the term outside the series appears due to the term for which $k = 2|m|$. Moreover, since

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos(kx/2) dx = \frac{4 \sin(k\pi/2)}{k},$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned}
c_0 &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\arctan k}{k^2(k+1)} \frac{4 \sin(k\pi/2)}{k} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\arctan(2k+1)}{(2k+1)^2(2k+2)} \frac{4(-1)^k}{2k+1} \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k \arctan(2k+1)}{(2k+1)^3(k+1)}.
\end{aligned}$$

If that wasn't the most beautiful Fourier coefficients, I don't know what would be...

Answer:

$$c_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k \arctan(2k+1)}{(2k+1)^3(k+1)},$$
$$c_m = \frac{\arctan(2|m|)}{8m^2(2|m|+1)} + \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+m} \arctan(2k+1)}{(2k+1)(k+1)((2k+1)^2 - 4m^2)}, \quad |m| \geq 1.$$