

## Fourier analysis. Additional exercises.

- (a) Consider the wave equation  $u''_{tt} = c^2 u''_{xx}$ . Show that a solution defined in all of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  can be written  $u(x, t) = f(x + ct) + g(x - ct)$ , that is, as the sum of two waves travelling along the  $x$ -axis with speed  $c$  in opposite directions.  
(b) Show that the standing wave  $u(x, t) = \sin(x) \sin(ct)$  is a solution of the wave equation. What does it *look* like? Decompose it as a sum of two waves as in (a).  
(c) Find a solution to the wave equation  $u''_{tt} = 4u''_{xx}$ , valid for all  $x$  and  $t$ , such that  $u(x, 0) = x^2$ ,  $u'_t(x, 0) = x$ .
- Consider the vibrating string with fixed endpoints,  $u(0, t) = u(\pi, t) = 0$ . Suppose that the initial conditions are  $u(x, 0) = \sin(2x)$ ,  $u'_t(x, 0) = 3 \sin(5x)$ . What is the solution  $u(x, t)$ ?

- If you know the complex Fourier coefficients of  $f$ , what can you say about the Fourier coefficients of  $f(x - a)$  and of  $e^{ikx} f(x)$  (where  $a$  is real and  $k$  is integer)?
- When  $f$  and  $g$  are  $2\pi$ -periodic Riemann integrable functions, define their convolution by

$$(f * g)(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(y)g(x - y) dy.$$

Denoting Fourier coefficients by  $c_n(f)$ , show that  $c_n(f * g) = c_n(f)c_n(g)$ .

- Let  $f$  be the  $2\pi$ -periodic function defined by  $f(x) = e^{\cos(x^2)}$  for  $0 \leq x < 2\pi$ . What is the value of its Fourier series at  $x = 4\pi$ ?
- Find numbers  $c_n$  such that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \sin(nx) = \begin{cases} x, & 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}, \\ 0, & \frac{\pi}{2} < x < \pi. \end{cases}$$

What is the sum of the series for  $x = \pi/2$ ?

- Determine the Fourier series in real form of the  $2\pi$ -periodic function that equals  $x(x^2 - \pi^2)$  in  $[-\pi, \pi]$ . What is the sum of the series at the points  $2\pi$  and  $3\pi/2$ ?
- Let  $f$  be the  $2\pi$ -periodic function defined by  $f(x) = \cosh(x) = (e^x + e^{-x})/2$  for  $|x| \leq \pi$ . Express it as a complex Fourier series. Compute

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2 + 1}.$$

- Let  $f$  be the  $2\pi$ -periodic function defined by  $f(x) = \cos(ax)$  for  $|x| \leq \pi$ , where  $a$  is not an integer. Express it as a complex Fourier series. Deduce the identity

$$\pi \cot(\pi a) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=-N}^N \frac{1}{a + n}, \quad a \notin \mathbb{Z}.$$

10. Show that

$$\frac{\sin x}{x} = \frac{b_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \cos(nx), \quad 0 < x < \pi,$$

where

$$b_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{(n-1)\pi}^{(n+1)\pi} \frac{\sin x}{x} dx.$$

Use this result to compute

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{x} dx.$$

11. Expand the function  $\cos x$  as a sine series on the interval  $(0, \pi)$ . Use the result to compute

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{(4n^2 - 1)^2}.$$

12. Solve the heat conduction problem

$$\begin{cases} u'_t = 3u''_{xx}, & 0 \leq x \leq \pi, \quad t > 0, \\ u(0, t) = u(\pi, t) = 0, & t \geq 0, \\ u(x, 0) = \sin x \cos(4x), & 0 \leq x \leq \pi. \end{cases}$$

13. Solve the problem

$$\begin{cases} u'_t = 2u''_{xx}, & t > 0, \quad 0 < x < \pi, \\ u(0, t) = u(\pi, t) = 0, & t > 0, \\ u(x, 0) = 1, & 0 < x < \pi. \end{cases}$$

14. Solve the problem

$$\begin{cases} u'_t = 2u''_{xx}, & t > 0, \quad 0 < x < \pi, \\ u(0, t) = u(\pi, t) = 0, & t > 0, \\ u(x, 0) = \cos(3x), & 0 < x < \pi. \end{cases}$$

15. Solve the problem

$$\begin{cases} u'_t = u''_{xx}, & t > 0, \quad 0 < x < \pi, \\ u'_x(0, t) = u'_x(\pi, t) = 0, & t > 0, \\ u(x, 0) = 1, & 0 < x < \pi/2, \\ u(x, 0) = 0, & \pi/2 < x < \pi. \end{cases}$$

16. Solve the problem

$$u'_t = u''_{xx}, \quad u'_x(0, t) = u'_x(\pi, t) = 0, \quad u(x, 0) = \cos\left(\frac{x}{2}\right),$$

in the region  $t > 0, 0 < x < \pi$ .

17. A large steak with thickness  $l$  and heat diffusivity  $a$  is to be cooked in an oven with temperature  $T$ . It is taken directly from the fridge, where the temperature is 0. The temperature inside the steak can then be described by

$$\begin{cases} u'_t = au''_{xx}, & 0 \leq x \leq l, \quad t > 0, \\ u(0, t) = u(l, t) = T, & t > 0, \\ u(x, 0) = 0, & 0 \leq x \leq l. \end{cases}$$

(a) Determine, as a series,  $u(x, t)$ . Since the boundary conditions are inhomogeneous, one should shift the temperature scale so that  $T$  corresponds to 0 (equivalently, introduce the function  $v(x, t) = u(x, t) - T$ ).

(b) Suppose all terms in the series except the first can be ignored. When will the steak be cooked if that happens when the temperature is everywhere at least  $T/4$ ? How much longer does it take if the thickness of the steak is doubled?

18. Addendum to Folland, Exercise 2.5.5: Where should the string be plucked if we do not wish to hear the sixth overtone (corresponding to the seventh term in the Fourier series)? Motivation: The first five overtones are close to tones in the usual scale. The sixth overtone is somewhere between two half-tones, and thus sounds false (at least to people accustomed to European music).

19. Addendum to Folland, Exercise 2.5.6: Can we choose  $\delta$  so the sixth overtone is avoided?

20. Let  $f(t) = 1 - t^2$  for  $|t| \leq 1$  and let  $f$  be 2-periodic. Determine a bounded solution to

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}, & x > 0, \quad -\infty < t < \infty, \\ u(0, t) = f(t), & -\infty < t < \infty. \end{cases}$$

21. Solve the Laplace equation  $\Delta u = u_{rr} + r^{-1}u_r + r^{-2}u_{\theta\theta} = 0$  in the annulus  $1 < r < 2$  (polar coordinates), with boundary values  $u(1, \theta) = 0$ ,

$$u(2, \theta) = 1 - \frac{\theta^2}{\pi^2} \quad \text{for } |\theta| \leq \pi.$$

22. Solve the problem

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = y, & 0 < x < 2, \quad 0 < y < 1, \\ u(x, 0) = 0, & u(x, 1) = 0, \\ u(0, y) = y - y^3, & u(2, y) = 0. \end{cases}$$

23. Solve the problem

$$\begin{cases} \sqrt{1+t} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}, & 0 < x < 1, \quad t > 0, \\ u(0, t) = 1, & u(1, t) = 0, \\ u(x, 0) = 1 - x^2. \end{cases}$$

24. Solve the problem

$$\begin{cases} u''_{xx} + u''_{yy} + 20u = 0, & 0 < x < 1, \quad 0 < y < 1, \\ u(0, y) = u(1, y) = 0, \\ u(x, 0) = 0, & u(x, 1) = x^2 - x. \end{cases}$$

25. Solve the inhomogeneous problem

$$\begin{cases} u'_t = 2u''_{xx} + \cos x, & 0 < x < \pi, \quad t > 0 \\ u'_x(0, t) = u'_x(\pi, t) = 0, & t > 0, \\ u(x, 0) = 1, & 0 < x < \pi. \end{cases}$$

26. Solve the problem

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = t \sin \pi x, & 0 < x < \pi, \quad t > 0, \\ u(0, t) = u(\pi, t) = 0, \\ u(x, 0) = \sin x. \end{cases}$$

27. Solve the problem (for  $0 < x < \pi$  and  $t > 0$ )

$$\begin{cases} u'_t = (t+1)u''_{xx}, \\ u(0, t) = 0, \quad u(\pi, t) = 1, \quad u(x, 0) = 0. \end{cases}$$

28. Solve the problem

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = 2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}, & 0 < x < 1, \quad t > 0, \\ u(0, t) = t + 1, & u(1, t) = 0, \\ u(x, 0) = 1 - x. \end{cases}$$

29. Solve the problem

$$\begin{cases} u_{xx} + 1 = \frac{1}{4}u_{tt}, & 0 < x < 2, \quad t > 0 \\ u(0, t) = 0, & u(x, 0) = x - x^2, \\ u(2, t) = -2, & u_t(x, 0) = 0. \end{cases}$$

30. Solve the Dirichlet problem

$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0, \quad \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} < 1,$$

with boundary values  $f(\theta) = \sin^2 \theta + \cos \theta$  (in polar coordinates).

31. Let  $c_n$  be the coefficients in the Fourier series

$$e^{x^2} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{inx}, \quad 0 < x < 2\pi.$$

Is it true or false that

$$2xe^{x^2} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} inc_n e^{inx}, \quad 0 < x < 2\pi?$$

32. Using known facts on Fourier series, find all  $2\pi$ -periodic and twice continuously differentiable functions  $u$  such that  $u''(x) = u(x + \pi)$  for all  $x$ .

33. Find a 1-periodic solution to the equation

$$x'' + 2x' + x = \{t\},$$

where  $\{t\}$  is the fractional part of  $t$  (that is, the 1-periodic function defined by  $t$  for  $0 \leq t < 1$ ). Give the answer in real form.

34. The function  $f(x)$  is 2-periodic, and  $f(x) = (x + 1)^2$  for  $-1 < x < 1$ . Determine a  $2\pi$ -periodic solution to the equation

$$2y'' - y' - y = f(x).$$

35. The function  $f(t)$  is 3-periodic, and

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} t, & 0 \leq t \leq 1, \\ 1, & 1 < t < 2, \\ 3 - t, & 2 \leq t \leq 3. \end{cases}$$

Determine, as a Fourier series, a periodic solution to

$$y'' + 3y = f(t).$$

36. Show that, in an inner product space, if  $u_n \rightarrow u$  and  $v_n \rightarrow v$  (in norm), then  $\langle u_n, v_n \rangle \rightarrow \langle u, v \rangle$ .

37. Show that, if  $(e_k)_{k=1}^{\infty}$  is a complete orthonormal system in an inner product space, then

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \langle f, e_k \rangle \langle e_k, g \rangle.$$

38. Find an orthonormal basis for the space of first degree polynomials, with inner product

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 f(x)g(x) dx.$$

39. Use the previous exercise to determine the constants  $a, b$  that minimize the integral

$$\int_{-1}^1 |e^x - ax - b|^2 dx.$$

40. Determine the solution  $y(x)$  to  $y'' - y = 0$  which minimizes  $\int_{-1}^1 [1 + x - y(x)]^2 dx$ .

41. Determine the polynomial  $P(x)$  of degree at most 2 that minimizes

$$(a) \int_0^{\infty} [\sqrt{x} - P(x)]^2 e^{-x} dx, \quad (b) \int_0^{\infty} [e^{x/4} - P(x)]^2 x e^{-x} dx.$$

42. Determine the polynomial of the form  $P(x) = x^2 + ax + b$  that minimizes  $\int_0^1 [P(x)]^2 dx$ .

43. Let

$$Q_n(x) = \frac{d^n}{dx^n} (x^n(1-x)^n), \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

(Up to a change of variables, these are called *Legendre polynomials*.)

(a) Prove that

$$\int_0^1 f(x)Q_n(x) dx = (-1)^n \int_0^1 f^{(n)}(x) x^n(1-x)^n dx$$

for sufficiently differentiable functions  $f$ .

(b) Show that  $Q_n(x)$  and  $Q_m(x)$  are orthogonal in  $L^2(0, 1)$  if  $n \neq m$ .

(c) Determine the norm  $\|Q_n\|$  of  $Q_n$  in  $L^2(0, 1)$ .

44. Find numbers  $a$  and  $b$  such that the integral

$$\int_0^{2\pi} |e^x - ae^{ix} - be^{-ix}|^2 dx$$

is minimized. Also compute the minimal value of the integral.

45. Apply Parseval's formula to the  $2\pi$ -periodic function  $f(x) = x$ ,  $|x| < \pi$ . Use the result to compute  $\sum_1^\infty \frac{1}{n^2}$ .

46. Apply Parseval's formula to the  $2\pi$ -periodic function  $f(x) = x^2$ ,  $|x| < \pi$ . Use the result to compute  $\sum_1^\infty \frac{1}{n^4}$ .

47. Prove that

$$x(\pi - x) = \frac{8}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin((2n-1)x)}{(2n-1)^3}, \quad 0 < x < \pi,$$

and use the result to compute  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n-1)^6}$ .

48. Find the complex Fourier coefficients of the function  $(\cos x)^n$ , with  $n$  a non-negative integer. Use the result to compute  $\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k}^2$ .

49. Define  $J_n(x)$  through the Fourier series

$$e^{ix \sin(t)} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} J_n(x) e^{int}$$

(they are called Bessel functions). Compute, for  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |J_n(x)|^2.$$

50. Solve the heat conduction problem

$$\begin{cases} u'_t = u''_{xx}, & 0 \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad t > 0, \\ u(0, t) = u'_x(\pi/2, t) = 0, & t \geq 0, \\ u(x, 0) = x, & 0 \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2} \end{cases}$$

51. Determine all eigenvalues and eigenfunctions for the Sturm–Liouville problem

$$\begin{cases} f'' + \lambda f = 0, & 0 < x < a, \\ f(0) - f'(0) = 0, \quad f(a) + 2f'(a) = 0. \end{cases}$$

52. Determine all eigenvalues and eigenfunctions for the Sturm–Liouville problem

$$\begin{cases} -e^{-4x} \frac{d}{dx} \left( e^{4x} \frac{du}{dx} \right) = \lambda u, & 0 < x < 1, \\ u(0) = 0, \quad u'(1) = 0. \end{cases}$$

Expand the function  $e^{-2x}$  as a series in the eigenfunctions.

53. A metal thread is bent into a circle. The ends are attached so that they are partially, but not completely, insulated from each other. The corresponding heat transfer problem can be modeled by

$$u_t' = k u_{xx}'' , \quad 0 < x < 1, \quad t > 0, \quad u_x(0) = u_x(1) = \alpha(u(0) - u(1)),$$

where  $\alpha$  and  $k$  are positive constants. Looking for separated solutions,  $u(x, t) = X(x)T(t)$ , one finds that  $X$  satisfies the Sturm–Liouville problem

$$X''(x) + \lambda X(x) = 0, \quad X'(0) = X'(1) = \alpha(X(0) - X(1)).$$

- (a) Prove that the problem is symmetric in the sense that  $\langle f'', g \rangle_{L^2([0,1])} = \langle f, g'' \rangle_{L^2([0,1])}$ , when  $f$  and  $g$  are sufficiently differentiable and satisfy the boundary conditions.
- (b) Prove that the problem has a non-trivial solution when  $\lambda = 4n^2\pi^2$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Prove that there are infinitely many other values of  $\lambda$  for which the problem also has a non-trivial solution.

54. Using the table in Folland's book, compute the Fourier transform of

- (a)  $x \chi_{[-1,1]}(x)$ ,
- (b)  $\sin x \chi_{[-\pi,\pi]}(x)$ ,
- (c)  $e^{-x} H(x)$ ,
- (d)  $e^{-|x|} \cos(x)$ ,
- (e)  $\frac{1}{x^2 + 6x + 13}$ ,
- (f)  $\frac{x}{(x^2 + 1)^2}$ ,
- (g)  $\frac{1}{(t^2 + 1)^2}$ .

Here,  $H$  is Heaviside's function and  $\chi_{[a,b]}(x)$  is the characteristic function of  $[a, b]$ , that is,  $\chi_{[a,b]}(x) = 1$  for  $x \in [a, b]$  and 0 else.

55. Use Fourier transform to compute, for  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(ax)}{x^2 + 1} dx.$$

56. If  $f(x)$  has Fourier transform  $\hat{f}(\xi)$ , what is then the Fourier transform of  $\cos(x)f(2x+1)$ ?

57. Complete the proof of (a) and (b) in Folland, Theorem 7.5.

58. Find a function  $u$  such that

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u(x-y)e^{-|y|} dy = e^{-x^4}.$$



59. For  $a$  and  $b$  positive, use Fourier transform to compute the integrals

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

$$(b) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(at) \sin(bt)}{t^2} dt.$$

60. For  $a$  and  $b$  positive and with  $g_a(x) = 1/(x^2 + a^2)$ , compute

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |(g_a * g_b)(x)|^2 dx.$$

61. Use Fourier transform to compute

$$(a) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(x^2 + 1)^2(x^2 + 4)^2} dx,$$

$$(b) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{(x^2 + 2)^2}{(x^4 + 4)^2} dx,$$

$$(c) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(x)}{(x^2 + 1)^2} dx,$$

$$(d) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(x-1) \sin(2x)}{(x-1)x} dx,$$

$$(e) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{x(x^2 + 1)} dx.$$

62. With  $f(x) = \sin(\pi x)/(x^2 - 1)$ , show that

$$\hat{f}(\xi) = \begin{cases} \pi i \sin(\xi), & |\xi| \leq \pi, \\ 0, & |\xi| > \pi. \end{cases}$$

Use this to compute

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin^2(\pi x)}{(x^2 - 1)^2} dx.$$

63. The function  $f(t)$  has Fourier transform  $\hat{f}(\omega) = \frac{\omega}{1+\omega^4}$ . Compute

$$a) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t f(t) dt, \quad b) f'(0).$$

64. The function  $f(t)$  has Fourier transform  $\frac{1}{|\omega|^3 + 1}$ . Compute  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f * f'|^2 dt$ .

65. Determine the Fourier transform of the function

$$f(t) = \int_0^2 \frac{\sqrt{\omega}}{1 + \omega} e^{i\omega t} d\omega.$$

Compute a)  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \cos t dt$ , b)  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(t)|^2 dt$ .

66. Let  $f(t) = \int_0^1 \sqrt{\omega} e^{\omega^2} \cos \omega t d\omega$ . Compute  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f'(t)|^2 dt$ .

67. The continuous function  $f(x)$  has Fourier transform  $\hat{f}(\xi) = \frac{\ln(1+\xi^2)}{\xi^2}$ . Determine  $f(0)$  and  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx$ .

68. Let  $\phi_n(x)$  denote the function that equals 1 for  $x \in [n - \frac{1}{2}, n + \frac{1}{2}]$  and 0 otherwise. Prove that  $(\hat{\phi}_n)_{n=-\infty}^{\infty}$  is an orthogonal system in  $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ . Prove that it is not complete.

69. Show that the functions  $\varphi_n(x) = \frac{\sin \frac{x}{2}}{\pi x} e^{inx}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , are pairwise orthogonal in  $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ . Determine numbers  $c_n$  such that

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

is minimal. Is the orthogonal system  $(\varphi_n)_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$  complete?

70. Let  $\phi_n(x) = \sin(nx)$  for  $0 < x < \pi$  and  $\phi_n(x) = 0$  else. Compute values of  $c_n$  which minimize the integral

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| \frac{\sin \xi}{\xi} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \hat{\phi}_n(\xi) \right|^2 d\xi.$$

Also compute the minimum value.

71. Find (as an integral) a solution to the heat equation  $u_{xx} = u_t$  for  $t > 0$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , where  $u(x, 0) = 1$  for  $|x| < 1$  and 0 else.

72. Find a bounded solution to

$$\begin{cases} u_t = k u_{xx}, & -\infty < x < \infty, \quad t > 0, \\ u(x, 0) = (1 - 2x^2)e^{-x^2}, & -\infty < x < \infty. \end{cases}$$

73. Find a bounded harmonic function  $u(x, y)$  in the upper half-plane with boundary values

$$u(x, 0) = \begin{cases} 1, & |x| < 1, \\ 0, & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

74. Show that, if  $f$  is even, then under suitable conditions

$$f(x) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} F(\xi) \cos(\xi x) d\xi,$$

where

$$F(\xi) = \int_0^{\infty} f(x) \cos(\xi x) dx.$$

Also give a corresponding formula for odd functions.

75. Let  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$  be given by  $f(t) = \sin(at) \sin(bt)/t$ , with  $a$  and  $b$  positive. Show that  $f$  is band-limited in the sense that  $\hat{f}(\omega) = 0$  for  $|\omega| > a + b$ .

76. If  $\delta$  and  $\Omega$  are two numbers with  $0 < \pi/\Omega < \delta$ , find a function  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ , such that  $\hat{f}(\omega) = 0$  for  $|\omega| \geq \Omega$  and  $f(n\delta) = 0$  for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , but  $f \neq 0$  as an element of  $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ . This shows that the Shannon–Nyquist sampling distance  $\Delta t = \pi/\omega_{\max}$  is the largest possible.

**Hint:** Use the previous Exercise.

77. Use Laplace transform to solve the initial value problems

$$(a) \quad x''(t) - 3x'(t) + 2x(t) = e^t, \quad x(0) = x'(0) = 0,$$

$$(b) \quad x''(t) - 2x'(t) + x(t) = e^t, \quad x(0) = 0, \quad x'(0) = 1.$$

78. Compute the Laplace transform of the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x - x^2, & 0 \leq x \leq 1, \\ 0, & x > 1. \end{cases}$$

79. Find a function with Laplace transform  $(1 - e^{-s})^2/s^2$ . Sketch the graph of the function.

80. Let

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} \sin t, & 0 \leq t \leq \pi, \\ 0, & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

Use Laplace transform to solve the initial value problem

$$x'(t) + x(t) = f(t), \quad x(0) = 0.$$

81. Let

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} t, & 0 < t < 2, \\ 2, & t > 2. \end{cases}$$

Using Laplace transform, solve the initial value problem

$$x''(t) + x(t) = f(t), \quad x(0) = 0, \quad x'(0) = 1.$$

82. Find a function with Laplace transform

$$\frac{1 + e^{-\pi s}}{(1 - e^{-\pi s})(1 + s^2)}.$$

Sketch the graph of the function.

83. Determine the finite (discrete) Fourier transform of the sequence  $(1, 0, 0, -1)$ . Check the inversion formula.

84. Give a version of Plancherel's formula for finite Fourier transform.

85. Let  $x(n)$  be  $N$ -periodic, and

$$x(n) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq n \leq k - 1, \\ 0, & k \leq n \leq N - 1. \end{cases}$$

Compute the discrete Fourier transform. Using Parseval's formula, compute the sum

$$\sum_{\mu=1}^{N-1} \frac{1 - \cos \frac{2\pi\mu k}{N}}{1 - \cos \frac{2\pi\mu}{N}}.$$

86. Determine the discrete Fourier transform of the  $N$ -periodic function  $x(n) = \sin \frac{n\pi}{N}$ ,  $n = 0, \dots, N - 1$ .

## Answers and hints:

1. (a) **Hint:** Make the change of variables  $y = x + ct$ ,  $z = x - ct$ .

(c)  $x^2 + 4t^2 + xt$ .

2.  $u(x, t) = \sin(2x) \cos(2ct) + \frac{3}{5c} \sin(5x) \sin(5ct)$ .

5.  $\frac{e^{\cos(4\pi^2)} + e}{2}$ .

6.  $c_{2k} = (-1)^{k+1}/2k$ ,  $c_{2k+1} = 2(-1)^k/\pi(2k+1)^2$ . The value is  $\pi/4$ .

7.  $12 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \sin(nx)}{n^3}$ . 0 resp  $\frac{3}{8}\pi^3$ .

8. The Fourier series is

$$\frac{\sinh(\pi)}{\pi} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n e^{inx}}{1+n^2}$$

and the sum is

$$\frac{\pi}{2} \coth(\pi) + \frac{1}{2}.$$

9. The Fourier series is

$$\frac{a \sin(\pi a)}{\pi} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n e^{inx}}{a^2 - n^2}.$$

10. The integral equals  $\pi/2$ .

11.  $\cos x = \frac{8}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{4n^2 - 1} \sin 2nx$  ( $0 < x < \pi$ ). The value of the sum is  $\pi^2/64$ .

12.  $u(x, t) = \frac{1}{2}(e^{-75t} \sin(5x) - e^{-27t} \sin(3x))$ .

13.  $u(x, t) = \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\sin((2k+1)x) e^{-2(2k+1)^2 t}}{2k+1}$ .

14.  $u(x, t) = \frac{8}{\pi} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{k}{(2k+3)(2k-3)} \sin(2kx) e^{-8k^2 t}$ .

15.  $u(x, t) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{2k+1} \cos((2k+1)x) e^{-(2k+1)^2 t}$ .

16.  $u(x, t) = \frac{2}{\pi} + \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{4n^2 - 1} \cos(nx) e^{-n^2 t}$ .

17. (a)  $T - \frac{4T}{\pi} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2k+1} e^{-(2k+1)^2 \pi^2 at/l^2} \sin((2k+1)\pi x/l).$

(b) The cooking time is approximately  $\frac{l^2}{a\pi^2} \ln\left(\frac{16}{3\pi}\right)$ , so a twice as thick steak takes four times as long to cook.

18. Second question: In one of the points  $a = kl/7$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots, 6$ . Note that these are the nodes of the sixth overtone.

19. Second question: Yes, take  $\delta = kl/7$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots, 6$ .

20.  $u(x, t) = \frac{2}{3} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4(-1)^{n-1}}{n^2 \pi^2} e^{-\sqrt{\frac{n\pi}{2}}} \cos\left(n\pi t - \sqrt{\frac{n\pi}{2}} x\right)$

21.  $\frac{2}{3 \ln 2} \ln r + \frac{2}{\pi^2} \sum_{\substack{n=-\infty \\ n \neq 0}}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n^2(2^n - 2^{-n})} (r^n - r^{-n}) e^{in\theta}$

22.  $u(x, y) = \frac{1}{6}(y^3 - y) + \frac{2}{\pi^3} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^3 \sinh 2n\pi} (\sinh n\pi x + 7 \sinh n\pi(2-x)) \sin n\pi y$

23.  $u(x, t) = 1 - x + \frac{8}{\pi^3} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2k+1)^3} e^{-\frac{2}{3}(2k+1)^2 \pi^2 [(1+t)^{3/2} - 1]} \sin(2k+1)\pi x$

24.  $u(x, y) = -\frac{8}{\pi^3} \sin \pi x \frac{\sin(\sqrt{20 - \pi^2} y)}{\sin \sqrt{20 - \pi^2}} - \frac{8}{\pi^3} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2k+1)^3} \sin(2k+1)\pi x \frac{\sinh(\sqrt{(2k+1)^2 \pi^2 - 20} y)}{\sinh \sqrt{(2k+1)^2 \pi^2 - 20}}$

25.  $u(x, t) = 1 + \frac{1}{2}(1 - e^{-2t}) \cos x.$

26.  $u(x, t) = e^{-t} \sin(x) + \frac{2 \sin(\pi^2)}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{(n^2 - \pi^2)n^3} (e^{-n^2 t} - 1 + n^2 t) \sin(nx)$

27.  $u(x, t) = \frac{x}{\pi} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2(-1)^n}{\pi n} e^{-n^2(t+t^2/2)} \sin(nx).$

28.

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, t) &= (t+1)(1-x) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^3 \pi^3} (e^{-2n^2 \pi^2 t} - 1) \sin n\pi x \\ &= (t+1)(1-x) + \frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{x}{6} - \frac{x^3}{12} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^3 \pi^3} e^{-2n^2 \pi^2 t} \sin n\pi x \end{aligned}$$

29.  $u(x, t) = -\frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{16}{\pi^2} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2k+1)^3} \cos((2k+1)\pi t) \sin\left(\frac{(2k+1)\pi}{2}x\right)$
30.  $u(x, y) = \frac{1}{2}(y^2 - x^2) + x + \frac{1}{2}$ , or in polar coordinates  $u(r, \theta) = -\frac{1}{2}r^2 \cos 2\theta + r \cos \theta + \frac{1}{2}$ .
31. Utterly and completely false.
32.  $u(x) = A \cos x + B \sin x$ .
33.  $x(t) = \frac{1}{2} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(2\pi n t - 2 \arctan(2\pi n))}{\pi n(1 + 4\pi^2 n^2)}$ .
34.  $y = -\frac{4}{3} + \frac{2}{\pi^2} \sum_{\substack{n=-\infty \\ n \neq 0}}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}(1+in\pi)}{n^2(2n^2\pi^2+in\pi+1)} e^{in\pi x}$
35.  $y(t) = \frac{2}{9} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3(1 - \cos \frac{2n\pi}{3})}{\pi^2 n^2(3 - \frac{4}{9}n^2\pi^2)} \cos \frac{2n\pi t}{3}$
36. **Hint:** Write  $\langle u, v \rangle - \langle u_n, v_n \rangle = \langle u, v - v_n \rangle + \langle u - u_n, v_n \rangle$ .
37. **Hint:** Use Exercise 15.
38. For instance  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  and  $\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}x$ .
39.  $a = 3e^{-1}$ ,  $b = (e - e^{-1})/2$ .
40.  $\frac{2 \sinh 1}{\frac{1}{2} \sinh 2 + 1} \cosh x + \frac{2e^{-1}}{\frac{1}{2} \sinh 2 - 1} \sinh x$
41. (a)  $\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{16}(3 + 6x - \frac{1}{2}x^2)$       (b)  $\frac{8}{81}(x^2 + 12)$
42.  $x^2 - x + \frac{1}{6}$
43. (c)  $n!/\sqrt{2n+1}$ .
44.  $a = (e^{2\pi} - 1)(1 + i)/4\pi$ ,  $b = (e^{2\pi} - 1)(1 - i)/4\pi$ , minimum  $(\pi(e^{4\pi} - 1) - (e^{2\pi} - 1)^2)/2\pi$ .
45.  $\pi^2/6$ .
46.  $\frac{\pi^4}{90}$ .
47.  $\pi^6/960$ .
48. The Fourier expansion is  $\cos^n x = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} e^{(2k-n)ix}$  and the value of the sum is  $\binom{2n}{n}$ .
49. 1, for any  $x$ .

$$50. \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k+1)^2} e^{-(2k+1)^2 t} \sin((2k+1)x).$$

51. Eigenvalues  $\lambda_k = \nu_k^2$ , where  $\nu_k$  are the positive solutions to  $\tan \nu a = \frac{3\nu}{2\nu^2-1}$ .  
Eigenfunctions:  $\nu_k \cos \nu_k x + \sin \nu_k x$ .

52.  $\lambda_1 = 4 - \beta_1^2$ , where  $\beta_1$  is the positive root of  $\tanh \beta = \frac{\beta}{2}$ ;  $u_1(x) = e^{-2x} \sinh \beta_1 x$   
 $\lambda_n = 4 + \beta_n^2$ , where  $\beta_n, n = 2, 3, \dots$  are the positive roots of  $\tan \beta = \frac{\beta}{2}$ ;  $u_n(x) = e^{-2x} \sin \beta_n x$   
 $e^{-2x} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2\sqrt{\lambda_n}[\sqrt{\lambda_n} + 2(-1)^n]}{\beta_n(\lambda_n - 2)} u_n(x)$

54. (a)  $2i \frac{\xi \cos \xi - \sin \xi}{\xi^2}$ , (b)  $\frac{2i \sin(\pi \xi)}{\xi^2 - 1}$ , (c)  $\frac{1}{1 + i\xi}$ , (d)  $\frac{2(\xi^2 + 2)}{\xi^4 + 4}$ , (e)  $\frac{1}{2} \pi e^{3i\xi - 2|\xi|}$ , (f)  $-\frac{1}{2} \pi i \xi e^{-|\xi|}$ , (g)  $\frac{\pi}{2} (1 + |\omega|) e^{-|\omega|}$ .

55.  $\pi e^{-|a|}$ .

56.  $\frac{1}{4} \left( e^{\frac{1}{2}i(\xi-1)} \hat{f} \left( \frac{\xi-1}{2} \right) + e^{\frac{1}{2}i(\xi+1)} \hat{f} \left( \frac{\xi+1}{2} \right) \right)$ .

58.  $u(x) = (1 + 12x^2 - 16x^6) e^{-x^4} / 2$ .

59. (a)  $\pi \frac{\sin(cu)}{u}$ , (b)  $\pi c$ , where  $c = \min(a, b)$ .

60.  $\pi^3 / 2a^2 b^2 (a + b)$ .

61. (a)  $11\pi/432$ , (b)  $3\pi/8$ , (c)  $\pi/e$ , (d)  $\pi \sin(1)$ , (e)  $\pi(1 - e^{-1})$ .

62.  $\pi^2/2$ .

63. a)  $i$  b)  $\frac{i}{2\sqrt{2}}$

64.  $\frac{1}{9\pi}$

65.  $\hat{f}(\omega) = \frac{2\pi\sqrt{\omega}}{1+\omega}$  when  $0 < \omega < 2$ , 0 else. a)  $\frac{\pi}{2}$ , b)  $2\pi \left( \ln 3 - \frac{2}{3} \right)$

66.  $\frac{\pi}{8} (e^2 + 1)$

67.  $f(0) = 1, \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1$ .



$$69. c_n = \begin{cases} \pi(e^{\frac{1}{2}} - e^{-\frac{1}{2}})e^{-|n|}, & n \neq 0 \\ 2\pi(1 - e^{-\frac{1}{2}}), & n = 0. \end{cases}$$

The system is not complete.

$$70. c_n = 1 - \cos(n)/\pi n. \text{ The minimum value is } 1/8\pi.$$

$$71. u(x, t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi t}} \int_{-1}^1 e^{-(x-y)^2/4t} dy.$$

$$72. u(x, t) = \frac{4kt + 1 - 2x^2}{(4kt + 1)^{5/2}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{4kt+1}}$$

$$73. u(x, y) = \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \arctan\left(\frac{x+1}{y}\right) - \arctan\left(\frac{x-1}{y}\right) \right). \text{ Geometrically, } u(x, y) = \theta/\pi,$$

where  $\theta$  is the angle at  $(x, y)$  in the triangle with corners  $(x, y)$ ,  $(-1, 0)$  and  $(1, 0)$ .

74. See Folland, page 238.

$$77. \text{(a) } x(t) = e^{2t} - (t+1)e^t, \text{ (b) } x(t) = \left(\frac{t^2}{2} + t\right) e^t.$$

$$78. F(s) = \frac{s - 2 + e^{-s}(s + 2)}{s^3}.$$

$$79. f(t) = \begin{cases} t, & 0 < t < 1, \\ 2 - t, & 1 < t < 2, \\ 0, & t > 2. \end{cases}$$

$$80. x(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}e^{-t} - \frac{1}{2}\cos t + \frac{1}{2}\sin t, & 0 < t < \pi, \\ \frac{1}{2}(1 + e^\pi)e^{-t}, & t > \pi. \end{cases}$$

$$81. x(t) = \begin{cases} t, & t < 2, \\ 2 + \sin(t - 2), & t > 2. \end{cases}$$

$$82. f(t) = |\sin t|.$$

85. The value of the sum is  $k(N - k)$ .

$$86. X(\mu) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n)e^{-2\pi i \mu n/N} = \frac{\sin \frac{\pi}{N}}{\cos \frac{2\mu\pi}{N} - \cos \frac{\pi}{N}}$$