

Solutions to MATH348 May 2001

1.

$$\hat{f}(\xi) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ix\xi} f(x) dx.$$

[2 marks]

If f is real-valued,

$$\overline{\hat{f}(\xi)} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ix\xi} f(x) dx = \hat{f}(-\xi).$$

[2 marks].

Now let

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{(x^2 + 1)^3}.$$

Let γ_R be the semicircular contour of radius R in the lower half plane, with curved piece γ'_R . Then

$$\begin{aligned} - \int_{-R}^R \frac{e^{-ix\xi} dx}{(x^2 + 1)^3} + \int_{\gamma'_R} \frac{dz}{(z^2 + 1)^3} &= \int_{\gamma_R} \frac{e^{-i\xi z} dz}{(z^2 + 1)^3} \\ &= 2\pi i \operatorname{Res} \left(\frac{e^{-i\xi z}}{(z^2 + 1)^3}, i \right) \end{aligned}$$

by the residue formula. The zeros of $z^2 + 1 = (z + i)(z - i)$ are $\pm i$ and only $-i$ is inside γ_R (assuming $R > 1$). We have

$$\operatorname{Res} \left(\frac{e^{-i\xi z}}{(z^2 + 1)^3}, i \right) = \frac{1}{2!} \frac{d^2}{dz^2} \left(\frac{e^{-i\xi z}}{(z - i)^3} \right)_{z=-i}.$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2}{dz^2} ((z - i)^{-3} e^{-i\xi z}) &= \frac{d}{dz} (-i\xi (z - i)^{-3} e^{-i\xi z} - 3(z - i)^{-4} e^{-i\xi z}) \\ &= (-\xi^2 (z - i)^{-3} + 6i\xi (z - i)^{-4} + 12(z - i)^{-5}) e^{-i\xi z} \end{aligned}$$

At $z = -i$ this is equal to

$$e^{-\xi} \left(\frac{-\xi^2}{8i} + \frac{6i\xi}{16} + \frac{12}{-32i} \right).$$

So

$$\int_{\gamma_R} \frac{dz}{(z^2 + 1)^3} = \frac{\pi e^{-\xi}}{4} (-\xi^2 - 3\xi - 3).$$

[10 marks]

Now

$$|z^2 + 1|^3 \geq (|z|^2 - 1)^3.$$

Also

$$|e^{-i\xi z}| \leq e^{\xi \operatorname{Im}(z)} \leq 1$$

if $\xi \geq 0$ and $\operatorname{Im}(z) \leq 0$. So

$$\left| \int_{\gamma'_R} \frac{e^{-i\xi z} dz}{(z^2 + 1)^3} \right| \leq \frac{\operatorname{Length}(\gamma'_R)}{(R^2 - 1)^3} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } R \rightarrow \infty.$$

[4 marks]

So

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-R}^R \frac{e^{-ix\xi} dx}{(x^2 + 1)^3} = - \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\gamma_R} \frac{e^{-i\xi z} dz}{(z^2 + 1)^3}$$

$$= \frac{\pi e^{-\xi}}{4}(\xi^2 + 3\xi + 3).$$

So for all ξ , using $\overline{\hat{f}(\xi)} = \hat{f}(-\xi)$ we have

$$\hat{f}(\xi) = \frac{\pi e^{-|\xi|}}{4}(\xi^2 + 3|\xi| + 3).$$

[2 marks].

2a)

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{y} - \frac{1}{2 \sin(\frac{1}{2}y)} \right) &= \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \sin(\frac{1}{2}y) - y}{2y \sin(\frac{1}{2}y)} \\ &= \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{2(\frac{1}{2}y - \frac{1}{3!}(\frac{1}{2}y)^3 \dots - y)}{2y(\frac{1}{2}y - \frac{1}{3!}(\frac{1}{2}y)^3 \dots)} = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\frac{2}{3!}(\frac{1}{2})^3 y \dots}{1 - \frac{2}{3}y^2(\frac{1}{2})^3 \dots} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

[An alternative method of doing this is to use l'Hopital's Rule - twice.] Hence, since $\sin(\frac{1}{2}y) \neq 0$ on $(0, \pi]$,

$$\frac{1}{y} - \frac{1}{2 \sin(\frac{1}{2}y)}$$

extends to a continuous function on $[0, \pi]$, taking the value 0 at 0.

[5 marks]

b)

$$g(x - y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } 0 \leq x - y \leq \pi, \text{ that is, } x - \pi \leq y \leq x \\ 0 & \text{if } -\pi < x - y < 0, \text{ that is, } x < y < x + \pi. \end{cases}$$

So

$$S_n(g)(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{x-\pi}^{x+\pi} \frac{\sin((n + \frac{1}{2})y)}{\sin(\frac{1}{2}y)} dy$$

and because the integrand is even this is equal to

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \left(\int_0^x + \int_0^{\pi-x} \right) \frac{\sin((n + \frac{1}{2})y)}{\sin(\frac{1}{2}y)} dy.$$

[3 marks]

By the Riemann Lebesgue Lemma, for all $a < b$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b \sin((n + \frac{1}{2})y) \left(\frac{1}{2 \sin(\frac{1}{2}y)} - \frac{1}{y} \right) dy = 0.$$

Applying this with $[a, b] = [0, x]$ and $[a, b] = [0, \pi - x]$, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(S_n(g)(x) - \frac{1}{\pi} \left(\int_0^x + \int_0^{\pi-x} \right) \frac{\sin((n + \frac{1}{2})y)}{y} dy \right) = 0.$$

[3 marks]

the Fourier Series Theorem says that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n(g)(x) = \frac{g(x+) + g(x-)}{2}.$$

2 marks

Put $x_n = \pi/(n + \frac{1}{2})$. Let $t = (n + \frac{1}{2})y$. Then $dt = (n + \frac{1}{2})dy$ and

$$\frac{dt}{t} = \frac{dy}{y}, \quad \sin((n + \frac{1}{2})y) = \sin t.$$

When $y = x_n$, $t = \pi$, and when $y = \pi - x_n$, $t = (n + \frac{1}{2})(\pi - x_n) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. So

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n(g)(x_n) = \frac{1}{\pi} \left(\int_0^\pi + \int_0^\infty \right) \frac{\sin y}{y} dy = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \frac{\sin y}{y} dy.$$

[3 marks]

let

$$(-1)^n a_n = \int_{n\pi}^{(n+1)\pi} \frac{\sin y}{y} dy,$$

so that $a_n > 0$ for all n , $a_{n+1} < a_n$ and

$$\frac{\pi}{2} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^N \frac{\sin y}{y} dy = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n a_n < a_1 = \int_0^\pi \frac{\sin y}{y} dy.$$

So

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n(g)(x_n) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{a_1}{\pi} > 1 = \frac{g(x_n+) + g(x_n-)}{2}.$$

[4 marks]

3a)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1.$$

(One could use l'Hopital's Rule to get this since $\cos 0/1 = 1$, but it is a very standard limit. So $\sin x/x$, of which the denominator vanishes only at $x = 0$, extends to a continuous function on $[0, \pi]$ taking the value 1 at 0, and is integrable on $[0, \pi]$. [3 marks]

However, if $x \in [n\pi + \frac{\pi}{4}, (n+1)\pi - \frac{\pi}{4}]$,

$$\left| \frac{\sin x}{x} \right| \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}|x|} \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}\pi(n+1)}.$$

So

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{|\sin x|}{|x|} dx \geq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}\pi(n+1)} = +\infty.$$

[4 marks]

3b) Now consider the anticlockwise "beehive contour" $\gamma_{R,\epsilon}$ which is the union of $[-R, -\epsilon]$, $[\epsilon, R]$ and the semicircular arcs of radii R and ϵ in the upper half plane. let γ'_R and γ'_ϵ be the semicircular parts of the contour.

[2 marks]

The function $\frac{e^{iz}}{z}$ has no singularities in or on $\gamma_{R,\epsilon}$. So by Cauchy's Theorem,

$$\int_{\gamma_{R,\epsilon}} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz = 0.$$

[1 mark] $|e^{iz}| = e^{-\text{Im}(z)} \leq 1$ on γ'_R . in fact $|e^{iz}| \leq e^{-\sqrt{R}}$ if $\text{Im}(z) \geq \sqrt{R}$. So, since the length of γ'_R is πR ,

$$\left| \int_{\gamma'_R} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz \right| \leq \frac{\pi\sqrt{R}}{R} + \frac{R\pi e^{-\sqrt{R}}}{R} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } R \rightarrow \infty$$

[It is acceptable to simply say something like: the integral along γ'_R tends to 0 as $R \rightarrow \infty$ by Jordan's Lemma.]

[2 marks]

So

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty, \epsilon \rightarrow 0} \text{Im} \left(\int_{-R}^{-\epsilon} + \int_{\epsilon}^R \right) \frac{e^{ix}}{x} dx &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \text{Im} \left(\int_{\gamma'_\epsilon} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz \right) \\ &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \text{Im} \left(\int_0^\pi e^{i\epsilon e^{i\theta}} \frac{i\epsilon e^{i\theta}}{\epsilon e^{i\theta}} d\theta \right) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \text{Im} \left(\int_0^\pi i(1 + i\epsilon e^{i\theta} + \dots) d\theta \right) = \pi. \end{aligned}$$

[5 marks]

So

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty, \epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left(\int_{-R}^{-\epsilon} + \int_{\epsilon}^R \right) \frac{\sin x}{x} dx = \pi.$$

Since $\frac{\sin x}{x}$ is even,

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty, \epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\epsilon}^R \frac{\sin x}{x} dx = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^R \frac{\sin x}{x} dx = \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

[3 marks]

4(i) a) For all n we have

$$\hat{u}(1, n) = \hat{f}(n),$$

$$\hat{u}(R, n) = 0.$$

[1 mark]

(i)b) For $n = 0$ the differential equation becomes

$$r \frac{D^2}{dr^2} \hat{u}(r, 0) + \frac{d}{dr} \hat{u}(r, 0) = \frac{d}{dr} \left(r \frac{d}{dr} \right) \hat{u}(r, 0) = 0.$$

So for a constant A ,

$$r \frac{d}{dr} \hat{u}(r, 0) = A,$$

and for a constant B ,

$$\hat{u}(r, 0) = A \ln R + B.$$

Then $\hat{u}(1, 0) = \hat{f}(0)$ gives $B = \hat{f}(0)$ and $\hat{u}(R, 0) = 0$ gives $A = -\hat{f}(0)/\ln R$. So

$$\hat{u}(r, 0) = \hat{f}(0) - \hat{f}(0) \frac{\ln r}{\ln R}.$$

3 marks

(i)c) If $n \neq 0$, if we try a solution $\hat{u}(r, n) = r^\lambda$ we get

$$\lambda(\lambda - 1)r^{\lambda-2} + \lambda r^{\lambda-2} - n^2 r^{\lambda-2} = 0.$$

So

$$\lambda^2 - n^2 = 0$$

and $\lambda = \pm n = \pm|n|$. So for constant A_n and B_n ,

$$\hat{u}(r, n) = A_n r^{|n|} + B_n r^{-|n|}.$$

[2 marks]

Then $\hat{u}(R, n) = 0$ gives $A_n = -B_n R^{-2|n|}$ and $\hat{u}(1, n) = \hat{f}(n)$ gives

$$\hat{f}(n) = -B_n R^{-2|n|} + B_n$$

which gives

$$B_n = \frac{\hat{f}(n)}{1 - R^{-2|n|}}, \quad A_n = \frac{-\hat{f}(n)R^{-2|n|}}{1 - R^{-2|n|}}.$$

[2 marks]

So

$$|A_n| \leq 2|\hat{f}(n)|R^{-2|n|} \text{ if } R \geq 2,$$

$$|A_n r^{|n|}| \leq 2|\hat{f}(n)|R^{-|n|} \text{ for } 1 \leq r \leq R,$$

$$|B_n = \hat{f}(n)| \leq \frac{|\hat{f}(n)|R^{-2|n|}}{1 - R^{-2|n|}} \leq 2|\hat{f}(n)|R^{-2|n|} \text{ if } R \geq 2.$$

So

$$|\hat{u}(r, n) - r^{-|n|}\hat{f}(n)| \leq |\hat{f}(n)|R^{-|n|} \text{ if } 1 \leq r \leq R.$$

[3 marks]

(i)d)

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^{-|n|}(e^{in\theta} + e^{-in\theta}) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (r^{-1}e^{i\theta})^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (r^{-1}e^{-i\theta})^n - 1 \\ &= \frac{1}{1 - r^{-1}e^{i\theta}} + \frac{1}{1 - r^{-1}e^{-i\theta}} - 1 \\ &= \frac{1 - r^{-1}e^{i\theta} + 1 - r^{-1}e^{-i\theta} - 1 + r^{-1}e^{-i\theta} + r^{-1}e^{i\theta} - r^{-2}}{(1 - r^{-1}e^{i\theta})(1 - r^{-1}e^{-i\theta})} = \frac{1 - r^{-2}}{|1 - r^{-1}e^{i\theta}|^2} \end{aligned}$$

(ii) For any continuous 2π -periodic functions f and g on \mathbf{R} , if $h = f * g$,

$$\hat{h}(n) = \hat{f}(n)\hat{g}(n).$$

The function

$$g(\theta)1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^{-|n|}(e^{in\theta} + e^{-in\theta})$$

has Fourier coefficients $2\pi r^{-|n|}$.

[1 mark]

So by the Fourier series Theorem,

$$\frac{\hat{f}(0)}{2\pi} + \sum_{n \neq 0} \frac{\hat{f}(n)r^{-|n|}}{2\pi} e^{in\theta} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1 - r^{-2}}{|1 - r^{-1}e^{it}|^2} f(\theta - t) dt,$$

$$u(r, \theta) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{u}(r, n) e^{in\theta}.$$

[2 marks]

So by the estimate on $\hat{u}(r, n)$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| u(r, \theta) + \frac{\ln r}{2\pi \ln R} \int_0^{2\pi} f(t) dt - \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1-r^{-2}}{|1-r^{-1}e^{it}|^2} f(\theta-t) dt \right| \\ & \leq \sum_{n \neq 0} 4 |\hat{u}(n)| R^{-|n|} \leq 4 \int_0^{2\pi} |f(t)| dt \sum_{n \neq 0} R^{-|n|} \\ & \leq \frac{8R^{-1}}{1-R^{-1}} \int_0^{2\pi} |f(t)| dt \leq 16R^{-1} \int_0^{2\pi} |f(t)| dt \end{aligned}$$

if $R \geq 2$.

[3 marks]

5.(i) *Tonelli's Theorem*. If one of

$$\int \int |f(x, y)| dx dy, \quad \int \int |f(x, y)| dy dx$$

is finite, then

$$x \mapsto \int f(x, y) dy, \quad y \mapsto \int f(x, y) dx$$

are defined almost everywhere, and the double integrals

$$\int \int f(x, y) dx dy, \quad \int \int f(x, y) dy dx$$

are both defined and are equal.

[5 marks]

(ii)

$$(\hat{f}\hat{g})^v(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(\xi)\hat{g}(\xi)e^{i\xi y} d\xi = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{g}(\xi)e^{i\xi y} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)e^{-i\xi x} dx d\xi.$$

Now

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\hat{g}(\xi)| |e^{i\xi(y-x)}| |f(x)| dx d\xi = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\hat{g}(\xi)| d\xi \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(x)| dx < \infty.$$

So by Tonelli,

$$\begin{aligned} (\hat{f}\hat{g})^v(y) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{g}(\xi)e^{i\xi(y-x)} d\xi dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)(\hat{g})^v(y-x) dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(y-t)(\hat{g})^v(t) dt \end{aligned}$$

(using the change of variable $t = y - x$, $dt = -dx$)

$$= f * (\hat{g})^v(y).$$

[5 marks]

(iii)

$$\int_{|y| \geq \delta} \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\lambda}{\lambda^2 + y^2} dy = \frac{2}{\pi} \lim_{\Delta \rightarrow \infty} [\arctan(y/\lambda)]_{\delta}^{\Delta} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \text{Arctan}(y/\delta) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \lambda \rightarrow 0.$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g_{\lambda}(y) dy = \lim_{\Delta \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{1}{\pi} \arctan(y/\lambda) \right]_{-\Delta}^{\Delta} = \frac{1}{\pi} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{-\pi}{2} \right) = 1.$$

[5 marks]

So

$$f(x) - \frac{1}{2\pi}(\hat{f}\hat{g}_\lambda)^v(x) = f(x) - f * g_\lambda(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (f(x)g_\lambda(y) - f(x-y)g_\lambda(y))dy.$$

[1 mark]

Let $|f(y)| \leq M$ for all y . Fix x . Given $\epsilon > 0$ choose $\delta > 0$ so that $|f(x) - f(x-y)| < \epsilon/2$ for all $|y| \leq \delta$. Then for this δ , choose λ_0 so that

$$\int_{|y| \geq \delta} g_\lambda(y)dy \leq \frac{\epsilon}{4M} \text{ for all } \lambda \leq \lambda_0.$$

Then

$$\left| \int_{|y| \geq \delta} (f(x) - f(x-y))g_\lambda(y)dy \right| \leq 2M \int_{|y| \geq \delta} g_\lambda(y)dy < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \text{ for all } \lambda \leq \lambda_0.$$

Then

$$\left| f(x) - \frac{1}{2\pi}(\hat{f}\hat{g}_\lambda)^v(x) \right| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2} \int_{|y| \leq \delta} g_\lambda(y)dy + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \leq \epsilon \text{ for all } \lambda \leq \lambda_0.$$

6a)

$$\hat{u}_{yy}(\xi, y) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \hat{u}(\xi, y),$$

$$\hat{u}_x(\xi, y) = i\xi \hat{u}(\xi, y), \quad \hat{u}_{xx}(\xi, y) = -\xi^2 \hat{u}(\xi, y).$$

So the transformed differential equation is

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \hat{u}(\xi, y) - \xi^2 \hat{u}(\xi, y) = 0,$$

and the transformed boundary condition becomes

$$\hat{u}(\xi, 0) = \hat{f}(\xi).$$

[3 marks]

So

$$\hat{u}(\xi, y) = A(\xi)e^{|\xi|y} + B(\xi)e^{-|\xi|y}.$$

[2 marks]

But

$$|\hat{u}(\xi, y)| \leq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |e^{-i\xi x} u(x, y)| dx \leq M \text{ for all } \xi \in \mathbf{R}, \text{ all } y > 0.$$

So $A(\xi) = 0$,

[3 marks]

Then $B(\xi) = \hat{f}(\xi)$. So

$$\hat{u}(\xi, y) = \hat{f}(\xi)e^{-|\xi|y} = \hat{f}(\xi)\hat{g}_y(\xi)$$

where

$$g_y(t) = \frac{y}{\pi(y^2 + t^2)}.$$

So, since, for $h = f * g_y$, $\hat{h} = \hat{f}\hat{g}_y$ and h is determined uniquely by its Fourier transform,

$$u(x, y) = f * g_y(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x-t) \frac{y}{y^2 + t^2} dt.$$

[3 marks]

6b) We have

$$\frac{u(x, y + h) - u(x, y)}{h} = \frac{1}{h} \int_0^h \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, y + t) dt,$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, y) = \frac{1}{h} \int_0^h \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, y) dt.$$

[2 marks]

So

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\xi x} \frac{u(x, y + h) - u(x, y)}{h} dx - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\xi x} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, y) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{h} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_0^h e^{-i\xi x} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, y + t) - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, y) \right) dt dx.$$

[2 marks]

But for $h \neq 0$,

$$\frac{1}{|h|} \int_{[0, h]} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, y + t) - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, y) \right| dx dt \leq \frac{2}{|h|} |h| \sup_y \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, y) \right| dx < +\infty.$$

So by Tonelli we can change the order of integration.

[5 marks]

7(i)

$$\mathcal{L}(f)(z) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-zt} f(t) dt.$$

[1 mark]

7(i)a) Put $g(t) = f(t - a)\chi_{[0, \infty)}(t - a)$. Then

$$\mathcal{L}(g)(z) = \int_0^{\infty} f(t - a)\chi_{[0, \infty)}(t - a)e^{-tz} dt = \int_a^{\infty} f(t - a)e^{-tz} dt$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} f(u)e^{-(u+a)z} du = e^{-az} \mathcal{L}(f)(z),$$

using the change of variable $t - a = u$, $dt = du$, for which $u = 0$ when $t = a$.

[2 marks]

7(i)b) We can find a sequence $\Delta_n \rightarrow +\infty$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f'(\pm \Delta_n) = 0$. Then by integration by parts,

$$\mathcal{L}(f')(z) = \int_0^{\infty} f'(t)e^{-tz} dt = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{\Delta_n} f'(t)e^{-tz} dt$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left([f(t)e^{-tz}]_0^{\Delta_n} + \int_0^{\Delta_n} z f(t)e^{-tz} dt \right) = -f(0) + z \mathcal{L}(f)(z).$$

[3 marks]

7(ii) Since $u(x, 0) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} u_t(x, t) = 0$, the transformed differential equation is

$$z^2 \mathcal{L}(u)(x, z) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \mathcal{L}(u)(x, z)$$

with transformed boundary conditions

$$\mathcal{L}(u)(\ell, z) = 0, \quad \mathcal{L}(u)(0, z) = \mathcal{L}(g)(z).$$

So

$$\mathcal{L}(u)(x, z) = A(z)e^{zx} + B(z)e^{-zx},$$

$$A(z) + B(z) = \mathcal{L}(g)(z), \quad A(z)e^{z\ell} + B(z)e^{-z\ell} = 0.$$

So

$$A(z) = -B(z)e^{-2z\ell} \text{ and } A(z) = \frac{-\mathcal{L}(g)(z)e^{-2z\ell}}{1 - e^{-2z\ell}}.$$

[5 marks]

So

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(u)(x, z) &= \frac{\mathcal{L}(g)(z)e^{-zx}}{1 - e^{-2z\ell}} - \frac{\mathcal{L}(g)(z)e^{(x-2\ell)z}}{1 - e^{-2z\ell}} \\ &= \mathcal{L}(g)(z) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{-z(x+2n\ell)} - \mathcal{L}(g)(z) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} e^{z(x-2n\ell)}. \end{aligned}$$

[3 marks]

So by (i)a) and the uniqueness of the function with a given Laplace transform,

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g(t - x - 2n\ell) \chi_{[0, \infty)}(t - x - 2n\ell) - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} g(t + x - 2n\ell) \chi_{[0, \infty)}(t + x - 2n\ell).$$

[3 marks]

For $t \leq \ell$,

$$\chi(t - x - 2n\ell) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 0, t \geq x \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

$$\chi_{[0, \infty)}(t + x - 2n\ell) = 0 \text{ for all } n \geq 1.$$

So for $t \geq \ell$,

$$u(x, t) = \begin{cases} g(t - x) & \text{if } x \leq t, \\ 0 & \text{if } t \leq x. \end{cases}$$

[3 marks]

8a)

$$\hat{\mu}(\xi) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\xi t} d\mu(t).$$

Fix ξ and $\epsilon > 0$. Choose R so that

$$\left| \left(\int_{-\infty}^{-R} + \int_R^{\infty} \right) d\mu(t) \right| < \frac{\epsilon}{3}.$$

Then choose $\delta > 0$ so that if $|\xi - \xi'| < \delta$ and $|t| \leq R$ then $|e^{-i\xi t} - e^{-i\xi' t}| < \epsilon/3$. Then for $|\xi - \xi'| < \delta$,

$$\begin{aligned} |\hat{\mu}(\xi) - \hat{\mu}(\xi')| &\leq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |e^{-i\xi t} - e^{-i\xi' t}| d\mu(t) \\ &\leq \int_{|t| \geq R} (|e^{-i\xi t}| + |e^{-i\xi' t}|) dt + \int_{|t| \leq R} |e^{-i\xi t} - e^{-i\xi' t}| d\mu(t) < \frac{2\epsilon}{3} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} = \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

[5 marks]

b) $*^n \mu = \nu_n$, $\hat{\nu}_n(\xi) = (\hat{\mu}(\xi))^n$.

[1 mark]

$$\hat{\mu}_n(\xi) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\xi x/\sqrt{n}} d\nu_n = \hat{\nu}_n(\xi/\sqrt{n}) = \left(\hat{\mu} \left(\frac{\xi}{\sqrt{n}} \right) \right)^n.$$

[2 marks]

Central Limit Theorem Let μ be any probability measure with

$$\sigma = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 d\mu(x) < +\infty,$$

and write

$$m = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x d\mu(x).$$

Then for any Borel-measurable $A \subset \mathbf{R}$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \chi_A(x) d\mu_n(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma}} \int_A e^{-(x-m)^2/2\sigma^2} dx.$$

[3 marks]

Let $\xi \geq 0$. Let γ_R denote the anticlockwise semicircular contour of radius R in the lower half plane, with straight line segment from R to $-R$ and semicircle arc γ'_R . We have

$$\hat{\mu}(\xi) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-i\xi x}}{1+x^2} dx.$$

We have $|e^{-i\xi z}| \leq 1$ for $z \in \gamma'_R$, $\xi \geq 0$, and $|z^2 + 1| \geq |z|^2 - 1$, and the length of γ'_R is πR . So

$$\left| \int_{\gamma'_R} \frac{e^{-i\xi z}}{1+z^2} dz \right| \leq \frac{\pi R}{R^2 - 1} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } R \rightarrow \infty.$$

[3 marks] So

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-i\xi x}}{1+x^2} dx &= \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-R}^R \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-R}^R \frac{e^{-i\xi x}}{1+x^2} dx = - \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\gamma_R} \frac{e^{-i\xi z}}{1+z^2} dz \\ &= \frac{-2\pi i}{\pi \text{Res} \left(\frac{e^{-i\xi z}}{(z-i)(z+i, -i)} \right)} = e^{-\xi} \text{ since} \end{aligned}$$

$\hat{\mu}(-\xi) = \overline{\hat{\mu}(\xi)}$, we have $\hat{\mu}(\xi) = e^{-|\xi|}$ for all $\xi \in \mathbf{R}$.

[3 marks]

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\nu}_n(\xi) &= e^{-n|\xi|}, \\ \hat{\mu}_n(\xi) &= e^{-\sqrt{n}|\xi|} \not\rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\xi^2}. \end{aligned}$$

The Central Limit Theorem fails because

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{1+x^2} dx = +\infty.$$