

Only writing materials (no handbook, calculator, computer, etc.).

1. Show how the exponential function  $e^x$  is created by means of Heaviside's differential and integral operator.
2. Justify:  $f(x) = 1$  is a periodic function. What is its period? By applying this periodicity property find the Laplace transform of  $f(x) = 1$ .
3. Find  $f(x)$  when  $\mathcal{L}f(x) = \frac{1}{p^2 + (a+b)p + ab}$  ( $a \neq b$ ), using two different methods: (a) the convolution theorem, and (b) Heaviside's expansion.
4. A simple oscillator of mass  $m$  and spring constant  $k$  is subjected to an impulsive external force at  $t = t_1 > 0$ . Initially at  $t = 0$  the oscillator is at rest at the origin. Using the Laplace transform find the position  $x$  of the oscillator as a function of time  $t$  when  $t > t_1$ .

5. The Fourier cosine series of  $f(x) = x^2$  ( $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$ ),  $f(x+2\pi) = f(x)$ , is  $\frac{\pi^2}{3} + 4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2} \cos(nx)$ . Making use of this series determine (a)  $\zeta(2)$ , and (b)  $\zeta(4)$ . Here  $\zeta(x)$  is the Riemann zeta function.

6. Derive d'Alembert's solution to the wave equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} - c^2 \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} = 0 \quad (y = y(x, t)), \text{ with initial conditions}$$

$$y(x, 0) = f(x) \text{ and } \left. \frac{\partial y(x, t)}{\partial t} \right|_{t=0} = 0 \quad (-\infty < x < \infty),$$

using the Fourier transform.

# A table of basic formulas ("kaavakokoelma")

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I. (a)  $e^{\pm iax} = \cos(ax) \pm i \sin(ax)$

(b)  $\zeta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s} \quad (s > 1)$ .

II. (a)  $f(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dk \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\zeta e^{ik(x-\zeta)} f(\zeta)$

(b)  $\mathcal{F} f(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ikx} f(x) dx = F(k)$   
 $f(x) = \mathcal{F}^{-1} F(k) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ikx} F(k) dk$

(c)  $\mathcal{L} f(x) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-px} f(x) dx = F(p)$   
 $f(x) = \mathcal{L}^{-1} F(p) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\beta-i\infty}^{\beta+i\infty} e^{px} F(p) dp$

III. (a)  $\mathcal{L} x = \frac{1}{p^2}$  ;  $\mathcal{L} e^{ax} = \frac{1}{p-a}$  ;  $\mathcal{L} \sin(ax) = \frac{a}{p^2+a^2}$  ;

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$\frac{p}{p^2-a^2}$  ;  $\mathcal{L}^{-1} \left[ \frac{G(p)}{H(p)} \right] = \sum_m \frac{G(p_m)}{H'(p_m)} e^{p_m x}$

(b)  $\mathcal{L} f^{(n)}(x) = p^n \mathcal{L} f(x) - \sum_{u=0}^{n-1} p^{n-u-1} f^{(u)}(0)$

(c)  $\mathcal{L} \int_0^x f(\zeta) d\zeta = \frac{\mathcal{L} f(x)}{p}$

(d)  $\mathcal{L} [f_1(x) * f_2(x)] = \mathcal{L} f_1(x) \cdot \mathcal{L} f_2(x)$  ;

$f_1(x) * f_2(x) = \int_0^x f_1(x-u) f_2(u) du$

(e)  $\mathcal{L} [f(x-a) \theta(x-a)] = e^{-ap} F(p)$

$\mathcal{L} [e^{ax} f(x)] = F(p-a)$

(f)  $\mathcal{L} f(x) = (1 - e^{-pL})^{-1} \int_0^L e^{-px} f(x) dx \quad (f(x+L) = f(x))$ .

IV. (a)  $\mathcal{F} f^{(n)}(x) = (ik)^n \mathcal{F} f(x)$

(b)  $\mathcal{F} \int_{-\infty}^x f(\xi) d\xi = \frac{\mathcal{F} f(x)}{ik}$

(c)  $\mathcal{F} [f_1(x) * f_2(x)] = \mathcal{F} f_1(x) \cdot \mathcal{F} f_2(x) ;$

$f_1(x) * f_2(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_1(x-u) f_2(u) du$

(d)  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [f(x)]^2 dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |F(k)|^2 dk$

(e)  $\mathcal{F} f(x-a) = e^{-ika} F(k)$

$\mathcal{F} [e^{iax} f(x)] = F(k-a)$

V. (a)  $f(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{ik_n x} ; k_n = \frac{2\pi n}{L} ;$

$c_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} f(x) e^{-ik_n x} dx$

(b)  $f(x) = \frac{1}{2} a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [a_n \cos(k_n x) + b_n \sin(k_n x)] ;$

$a_0 = \frac{2}{L} \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} f(x) dx , a_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} f(x) \cos(k_n x) dx , b_n =$

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(c)  $\frac{1}{L} \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} |f(x)|^2 dx = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_n|^2 = \frac{1}{4} |a_0|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (|a_n|^2 + |b_n|^2)$

VI. (a)  $\int_a^b \delta(x-\xi) f(\xi) d\xi = f(x) \quad (a \leq x \leq b)$

(b)  $\theta(x-c) = \begin{cases} 1 & (x > c) \\ 0 & (x < c) \end{cases} ;$

$\frac{d\theta(x-c)}{dx} = \delta(x-c) ; \theta(x) - \theta(-x) = \text{sgn } x$

(c)  $L(x) y(x) = r(x) ; L(x) G(x, x') = \delta(x-x')$