

Homework8

1.

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2}a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right),$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x') \cos \frac{n\pi x'}{L} dx', b_n = \frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x') \sin \frac{n\pi x'}{L} dx'.$$

Inserting a_n and b_n to $f(x)$, you will get

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x') dx' \right)$$

$$+ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x') \cos \frac{n\pi x'}{L} dx' \right) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L f(x') \sin \frac{n\pi x'}{L} dx' \right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$= \int_{-L}^L \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{L} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \cos \frac{n\pi x'}{L} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin \frac{n\pi x'}{L} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \right) \right] f(x') dx'$$

Therefore, $\frac{1}{L} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \cos \frac{n\pi x'}{L} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin \frac{n\pi x'}{L} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \right)$

$$= \frac{1}{L} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \cos \frac{n\pi(x-x')}{L} \right) = \delta(x-x')$$

2.

$$I = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(x^2+a^2)^2} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(x+ia)^2(x-ia)^2} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx$$

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{(z+ia)^2(z-ia)^2} \text{ with second-order poles } z = \pm ia. \text{ We close the contour}$$

in the upper half plane and the residue will be $\frac{d}{dz} \left((z-ia)^2 \frac{1}{(z+ia)^2(z-ia)^2} \right) \Big|_{z=ia} = \left(\frac{-2}{(2ia)^3} \right) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \frac{\pi}{2a^3}$. (We will get the same result by closing the contour in the lower half plane.) Therefore, $I = \frac{\pi}{4a^3}$.

3.

$$\text{Let } z = e^{i\theta}. dz = ie^{i\theta} d\theta = iz d\theta. d\theta = \frac{dz}{iz}. \cos \theta = (z + z^{-1})/2.$$

$$I = \oint_{\|z\|=1} \frac{dz}{iz(1+\varepsilon(z+z^{-1})/2)} = \frac{2}{i} \oint_{\|z\|=1} \frac{dz}{\varepsilon z^2 + 2z + \varepsilon} = \frac{2}{i} \oint_{\|z\|=1} \frac{dz}{\varepsilon(z-z_+)(z-z_-)} \text{ with}$$

$$z_{\pm} = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1-\varepsilon^2}}{\varepsilon}. \text{ Only } z_+ \text{ is inside the contour because } |z_+| < 1.$$

$$\text{Therefore, } I = 2\pi i \frac{2}{i\varepsilon} \frac{1}{z_+ - z_-} = \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{1-\varepsilon^2}}.$$

4.

Insert $G(t, t') = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega G(\omega) e^{i\omega(t-t')}$ and $\delta(t-t') = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega e^{i\omega(t-t')}$ into eq(3). We will get $(m(i\omega) + \beta) G(\omega) = 1$ so $G(\omega) = \frac{1}{im\omega + \beta}$. Then $G(t, t') = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega \frac{1}{im\omega + \beta} e^{i\omega(t-t')}$. The pole $\omega = \frac{i\beta}{m}$ lies in the upper plane. If $t-t' > 0$, we close the contour in the upper plane and $G(t, t') = 2\pi i \frac{1}{2\pi im} e^{i(\frac{i\beta}{m})(t-t')} = \frac{1}{m} e^{-\frac{\beta}{m}(t-t')}$. If $t-t' < 0$, we close the contour in the lower plane where no pole exists. So $G(t, t') = 0$ for $t-t' < 0$.

5.

For $t < t'$, $G(t, t') = 0$. (Using causality, we can choose this boundary condition.)

$$\text{For } t > t', m \frac{dG}{dt} + \beta G = 0, \int \frac{dG}{G} = \int_{t'}^t \left(-\frac{\beta}{m} \right) dt''. \text{ Then } G = A e^{-\frac{\beta}{m}(t-t')}.$$

For $t \sim t'$, Integrate over the region $(t' - \varepsilon, t' + \varepsilon)$, $\int_{t'-\varepsilon}^{t'+\varepsilon} m \frac{dG}{dt} dt + \int_{t'-\varepsilon}^{t'+\varepsilon} \beta G = \int_{t'-\varepsilon}^{t'+\varepsilon} \delta(t - t')$.

Then $m(G(t = t' + \varepsilon) - G(t = t' - \varepsilon)) = 1$, $A = \frac{1}{m}$.

Therefore, $G(t, t') = 0$ for $t < t'$ and $G(t, t') = \frac{1}{m} e^{\frac{-\beta}{m}(t-t')}$ for $t > t'$.