

Answers

3. $\frac{s}{1+s^2}$

4. $\frac{\pi}{2}$ if $0 < x < 1$ and 0 if $x > 1$

5. $f(x) = \frac{2(x - \sin x)}{\pi x^2}$

6. $f(x) = \frac{2(1 - \cos x)}{\pi x^2}$.

Hint

6. We have $\int_0^\infty \frac{2(1 - \cos x)}{\pi x^2} \cos \lambda x \, dx = \begin{cases} 1 - \lambda, & \text{if } 0 \leq \lambda \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{if } \lambda > 1 \end{cases}$.

Taking limits as $\lambda \rightarrow 0$, we get $\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{1 - \cos x}{x^2} \cdot 1 \, dx = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin^2 \frac{x}{2}}{x^2} \cdot 2 \, dx = 1$$

$$x/2 = t \Rightarrow dx = 2 \, dt$$

$$\therefore \frac{4}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin^2 t}{4t^2} \cdot 2 \, dt = 1.$$

5.8. LINEARITY OF TRANSFORMS

In this section, we shall prove that the Fourier transform, the Fourier sine and cosine transforms are linear operations.

Theorem I. If $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ be any functions whose Fourier transforms exist then for any constants a and b then prove that

$$F(af(x) + bg(x)) = aF(f(x)) + bF(g(x)).$$

Proof. By definition,

$$\begin{aligned} F(af(x) + bg(x)) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (af(x) + bg(x))e^{-isx} \, dx \\ &= a \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-isx} \, dx + b \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) e^{-isx} \, dx \\ &= aF(f(x)) + bF(g(x)). \end{aligned}$$

Theorem II. If $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ be any functions whose Fourier sine transforms exist then for any constants a and b prove that

$$F_S(af(x) + bg(x)) = aF_S(f(x)) + bF_S(g(x)).$$

Proof. By definition,

$$\begin{aligned} F_S(af(x) + bg(x)) &= \int_0^\infty (af(x) + bg(x)) \sin sx \, dx \\ &= a \int_0^\infty f(x) \sin sx \, dx + b \int_0^\infty g(x) \sin sx \, dx \\ &= aF_S(f(x)) + bF_S(g(x)). \end{aligned}$$

Theorem III. If $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ be any functions whose Fourier cosine transforms exist then for any constants a and b then prove that

$$F_C(af(x) + bg(x)) = aF_C(f(x)) + bF_C(g(x)).$$

Proof. By definition,

$$\begin{aligned} F_C(af(x) + bg(x)) &= \int_0^\infty (af(x) + bg(x)) \cos sx \, dx \\ &= a \int_0^\infty f(x) \cos sx \, dx + b \int_0^\infty g(x) \cos sx \, dx \\ &= aF_C(f(x)) + bF_C(g(x)). \end{aligned}$$

Remark. On the same lines, we can also prove that the inverse Fourier transform, the inverse Fourier sine and cosine transforms are also linear operations.

5.9. CHANGE OF SCALE PROPERTY OF TRANSFORMS

Theorem I. If the Fourier transform of the function $f(x)$ is $\bar{f}(s)$ then prove that the Fourier transform of $f(ax)$ is $\frac{1}{a}\bar{f}\left(\frac{s}{a}\right)$, where $a > 0$.

Proof. We have $\bar{f}(s) = F(f(x)) = \int_{-\infty}^\infty f(x) e^{-isx} \, dx$.

$$\therefore F(f(ax)) = \int_{-\infty}^\infty f(ax) e^{-isx} \, dx$$

$$\text{Let } t = ax. \quad \therefore dt = a \, dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore F(f(ax)) &= \int_{-\infty}^\infty f(t) e^{-is(t/a)} \frac{dt}{a} \quad (\because a > 0) \\ &= \frac{1}{a} \int_{-\infty}^\infty f(t) e^{-i(s/a)t} \, dt = \frac{1}{a} \bar{f}\left(\frac{s}{a}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Theorem II. If the Fourier sine transform of the function $f(x)$ is $\bar{f}_S(s)$ then prove that the Fourier sine transform of $f(ax)$ is $\frac{1}{a}\bar{f}_S\left(\frac{s}{a}\right)$, where $a > 0$.

Proof. We have $\bar{f}_S(s) = F_S(f(x)) = \int_0^\infty f(x) \sin sx \, dx$.

$$\therefore F_S(f(ax)) = \int_0^\infty f(ax) \sin sx \, dx$$

$$\text{Let } t = ax. \quad \therefore dt = a \, dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore F_S(f(ax)) &= \int_0^\infty f(t) \sin(s(t/a)) \frac{dt}{a} \quad (\because a > 0) \\ &= \frac{1}{a} \int_0^\infty f(t) \sin((s/a)t) \, dt = \frac{1}{a} \bar{f}_S\left(\frac{s}{a}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Theorem III. If the Fourier cosine transform of the function $f(x)$ is $\bar{f}_C(s)$ then prove that the Fourier cosine transform of $f(ax)$ is $\frac{1}{a}\bar{f}_C\left(\frac{s}{a}\right)$, where $a > 0$.

Proof. We have $\bar{f}_C(s) = F_C(f(x)) = \int_0^\infty f(x) \cos sx \, dx$.

$$\therefore F_C(f(ax)) = \int_0^\infty f(ax) \cos sx \, dx$$

$$\text{Let } t = ax. \quad \therefore \quad dt = a \, dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore F_C(f(ax)) &= \int_0^\infty f(t) \cos (s(t/a)) \frac{dt}{a} & (\because a > 0) \\ &= \frac{1}{a} \int_0^\infty f(t) \cos ((s/a)t) \, dt = \frac{1}{a} \bar{f}_C\left(\frac{s}{a}\right). \end{aligned}$$

5.10. TRANSFORMS OF DERIVATIVES

In this section, we shall derive the formulae to find the Fourier transform and the Fourier sine and cosine transforms of the derivatives of a function.

Theorem I. *If $f(x)$ is any function for which the Fourier transforms of $f(x)$ and $f'(x)$ exist and $f(x) \rightarrow 0$ as $|x| \rightarrow \infty$ then prove that*

$$F(f'(x)) = is F(f(x)).$$

Proof. By definition,

$$F(f(x)) = \int_{-\infty}^\infty f(x) e^{-isx} \, dx \quad \dots(1)$$

and

$$F(f'(x)) = \int_{-\infty}^\infty f'(x) e^{-isx} \, dx \quad \dots(2)$$

$$(2) \Rightarrow F(f'(x)) = \int_{-\infty}^\infty \underset{\text{I}}{e^{-isx}} \underset{\text{II}}{f'(x)} \, dx$$

Integrating by parts, we get

$$\begin{aligned} F(f'(x)) &= e^{-isx} f(x) \Big|_{-\infty}^\infty - \int_{-\infty}^\infty (-is) e^{-isx} f(x) \, dx \\ &= 0 - 0 + is \int_{-\infty}^\infty f(x) e^{-isx} \, dx = is F(f(x)). \end{aligned} \quad (\because f(x) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } |x| \rightarrow \infty)$$

Remark. By repeated application of the above theorem, we have

$$F(f''(x)) = is F(f'(x)) = (is)(is)F(f(x)) = -s^2 F(f(x))$$

$$\therefore \quad \mathbf{F(f''(x)) = -s^2 F(f(x)).}$$

By using **P.M.I.**, we can prove that

$$\mathbf{F(f^{(n)}(x)) = (is)^n F(f(x)), \, n \in \mathbf{N}.}$$

Theorem II. *If $f(x)$ is any function for which the Fourier sine and cosine transforms of $f(x)$ and $f'(x)$ exist and $f(x) \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ then prove that*

$$(i) F_S(f'(x)) = -s F_C(f(x)) \quad (ii) F_C(f'(x)) = s F_S(f(x)) - f(0).$$

$$\textbf{Proof.} \text{ By definition } F_S(f(x)) = \int_0^\infty f(x) \sin sx \, dx$$

and

$$F_C(f(x)) = \int_0^\infty f(x) \cos sx \, dx.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (i) \quad F_S(f'(x)) &= \int_0^\infty f'(x) \sin sx \, dx = \int_0^\infty \underset{I}{\sin sx} \cdot \underset{II}{f'(x)} \, dx \\
 &= \sin sx \, f(x) \Big|_0^\infty - \int_0^\infty s \cos sx \, f(x) \, dx \\
 &= 0 - 0 - s \int_0^\infty f(x) \cos sx \, dx = -s F_C(f(x)). \\
 &\quad (\because f(x) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } x \rightarrow \infty)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (ii) \quad F_C(f'(x)) &= \int_0^\infty f'(x) \cos sx \, dx = \int_0^\infty \underset{I}{\cos sx} \cdot \underset{II}{f'(x)} \, dx \\
 &= \cos sx \, f(x) \Big|_0^\infty - \int_0^\infty -s \sin sx \, f(x) \, dx \\
 &= 0 - (\cos 0) f(0) + s \int_0^\infty f(x) \sin sx \, dx \quad (\because f(x) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } x \rightarrow \infty) \\
 &= -f(0) + s F_S(f(x)) = s F_S(f(x)) - f(0).
 \end{aligned}$$

Remarks. (i) $F_S(f''(x)) = -s F_C(f'(x)) = -s[s F_S(f(x)) - f(0)] = -s^2 F_S(f(x)) + s f(0)$.

(ii) $F_C(f''(x)) = s F_S(f'(x)) - f'(0) = s[-s F_C(f(x))] - f'(0) = -s^2 F_C(f(x)) - f'(0)$.

$\therefore F_S(f''(x)) = -s^2 F_S(f(x)) + s f(0)$ and $F_C(f''(x)) = -s^2 F_C(f(x)) - f'(0)$.

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Example 1. Find the Fourier sine and cosine transforms of the function e^{-mx} , $m > 0$ by using its second derivative.

Sol. Let

$$f(x) = e^{-mx}, \quad m > 0.$$

$\therefore$

$$f'(x) = -m e^{-mx} \quad \text{and} \quad f''(x) = (-m)(-m) e^{-mx} = m^2 e^{-mx}$$

We have

$$F_S(f''(x)) = -s^2 F_S(f(x)) + s f(0).$$

$\therefore$

$$F_S(m^2 e^{-mx}) = -s^2 F_S(e^{-mx}) + s e^0$$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 F_S(e^{-mx}) + s^2 F_S(e^{-mx}) = s$$

$$\Rightarrow (m^2 + s^2) F_S(e^{-mx}) = s \Rightarrow F_S(e^{-mx}) = \frac{s}{m^2 + s^2}.$$

Also,

$$F_C(f''(x)) = -s^2 F_C(f(x)) - f'(0).$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$F_C(m^2 e^{-mx}) = -s^2 F_C(e^{-mx}) - (-m e^0)$$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 F_C(e^{-mx}) + s^2 F_C(e^{-mx}) = m$$

$$\Rightarrow (m^2 + s^2) F_C(e^{-mx}) = m \Rightarrow F_C(e^{-mx}) = \frac{m}{m^2 + s^2}.$$

5.11. PARSEVAL'S IDENTITIES

Parseval's identities are for Fourier transforms and also for Fourier sine and cosine transforms. These identities are proved in the following theorems.

Theorem I. If $\bar{f}(s)$ and $\bar{g}(s)$ are the Fourier transforms of the functions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ respectively then prove that

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) g(x) dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \bar{f}(s) \overline{g(s)} ds \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(x)|^2 dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\bar{f}(s)|^2 ds,$$

where $\overline{g(s)}$ represents the complex conjugate of the function $\bar{g}(s)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Proof. } \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \bar{f}(s) \overline{g(s)} ds &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \bar{f}(s) \left(\overline{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) e^{-isx} dx} \right) ds \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \bar{f}(s) \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \overline{g(x) e^{-isx}} dx \right) ds \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \bar{f}(s) \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) e^{isx} dx \right) ds \quad (\because g(x) \text{ is a real valued function}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \bar{f}(s) e^{isx} ds \right) dx \\ &\quad \text{(By changing the order of integration)} \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \bar{f}(s) e^{isx} ds \right) dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) f(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) g(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \bar{\mathbf{f}}(\mathbf{s}) \overline{\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{s})} d\mathbf{s}. \quad \dots(1)$$

In particular, let $g(x) = f(x)$.

$$\therefore (1) \Rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) f(x) dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \bar{f}(s) \overline{\bar{f}(s)} ds.$$

$$\therefore \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})|^2 d\mathbf{x} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\bar{\mathbf{f}}(\mathbf{s})|^2 d\mathbf{s}. \quad (\because (f(x))^2 = |f(x)|^2)$$

Theorem II. If $\bar{f}_S(s)$ and $\bar{g}_S(s)$ are the Fourier sine transforms of the functions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ respectively then prove that

$$\int_0^{\infty} f(x) g(x) dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \bar{f}_S(s) \bar{g}_S(s) ds \quad \text{and} \quad \int_0^{\infty} (f(x))^2 dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} (\bar{f}_S(s))^2 ds.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Proof. } \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \bar{f}_S(s) \bar{g}_S(s) ds &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \bar{f}_S(s) \left(\int_0^{\infty} g(x) \sin sx dx \right) ds \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} g(x) \left(\int_0^{\infty} \bar{f}_S(s) \sin sx ds \right) dx \\ &\quad \text{(By changing the order of integration)} \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} g(x) \left(\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \bar{f}_S(s) \sin sx ds \right) dx \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} g(x) f(x) dx = \int_0^{\infty} f(x) g(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \int_0^{\infty} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \bar{\mathbf{f}}_S(\mathbf{s}) \bar{\mathbf{g}}_S(\mathbf{s}) d\mathbf{s}. \quad \dots(1)$$

In particular, let $g(x) = f(x)$.

$$\therefore \int_0^{\infty} (\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}))^2 d\mathbf{x} = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} (\bar{\mathbf{f}}_S(\mathbf{s}))^2 d\mathbf{s}.$$

Theorem III. If $\bar{f}_C(s)$ and $\bar{g}_C(s)$ are the Fourier cosine transforms of the functions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ respectively then prove that

$$\int_0^\infty f(x) g(x) dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \bar{f}_C(s) \bar{g}_C(s) ds \quad \text{and} \quad \int_0^\infty (f(x))^2 dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty (\bar{f}_C(s))^2 ds.$$

Proof.
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \bar{f}_C(s) \bar{g}_C(s) ds &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \bar{f}_C(s) \left(\int_0^\infty g(x) \cos sx dx \right) ds \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty g(x) \left(\int_0^\infty \bar{f}_C(s) \cos sx ds \right) dx && \text{(By changing the order of integration)} \\ &= \int_0^\infty g(x) \left(\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \bar{f}_C(s) \cos sx ds \right) dx \\ &= \int_0^\infty g(x) f(x) dx = \int_0^\infty f(x) g(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \int_0^\infty \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \bar{\mathbf{f}}_C(s) \bar{\mathbf{g}}_C(s) ds. \quad \dots(1)$

In particular, let $g(x) = f(x)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore (1) \Rightarrow \int_0^\infty f(x) f(x) dx &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \bar{f}_C(s) \bar{f}_C(s) ds \\ \therefore \int_0^\infty (\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}))^2 d\mathbf{x} &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty (\bar{\mathbf{f}}_C(s))^2 ds. \end{aligned}$$

WORKING RULES FOR SOLVING PROBLEMS

Rule I. (i) $F(f'(x)) = isF(f(x))$

(ii) $F(f^{(n)}(x)) = (is)^n F(f(x)), n \in \mathbf{N}$

Rule II. (i) $F_S(f'(x)) = -sF_C(f(x))$

(ii) $F_S(f''(x)) = -s^2F_S(f(x)) + sF(0)$

Rule III. (i) $F_C(f'(x)) = sF_S(f(x)) - f(0)$

(ii) $F_C(f''(x)) = -s^2F_C(f(x)) - f'(0)$

Rule IV. (i) $\int_{-\infty}^\infty f(x) g(x) dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^\infty F(f(x)) \overline{F(g(x))} ds$

(ii) $\int_{-\infty}^\infty |f(x)|^2 dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^\infty |F(f(x))|^2 ds$

Rule V. (i) $\int_0^\infty f(x) g(x) dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty F_S(f(x)) F_S(g(x)) ds$

(ii) $\int_0^\infty (f(x))^2 dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty (F_S(f(x)))^2 ds$

Rule VI. (i) $\int_0^\infty f(x) g(x) dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty F_C(f(x)) F_C(g(x)) ds$

(ii) $\int_0^\infty (f(x))^2 dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty (F_C(f(x)))^2 ds.$

ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES

Example 1. If $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } |x| < a \\ 0, & \text{if } |x| > a \end{cases}$, use the Parseval's identity for Fourier transform of

$f(x)$ to show that $\int_0^\infty \frac{\sin^2 ax}{x^2} dx = \frac{\pi a}{2}$.

Sol. We have $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } |x| < a \\ 0, & \text{if } |x| > a \end{cases}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore F(f(x)) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-isx} dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{-a} 0 \cdot e^{-isx} dx + \int_{-a}^a 1 \cdot e^{-isx} dx + \int_a^{\infty} 0 \cdot e^{-isx} dx \\ &= 0 + \left. \frac{e^{-isx}}{-is} \right|_{-a}^a + 0 \\ &= -\frac{1}{is} (e^{-isa} - e^{isa}) = \frac{2}{s} \left(\frac{e^{isa} - e^{-isa}}{2i} \right) = \frac{2}{s} \sin sa \end{aligned}$$

By Parseval's identity for Fourier transforms, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(x)|^2 dx &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |F(f(x))|^2 ds \\ \Rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{-a} (0)^2 dx + \int_{-a}^a (1)^2 dx + \int_a^{\infty} (0)^2 dx &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| \frac{2}{s} \sin sa \right|^2 ds \\ \Rightarrow 0 + (a - (-a)) + 0 &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{4 \sin^2 as}{s^2} ds \\ \Rightarrow \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin^2 ax}{x^2} dx &= 2a \quad (\text{Replacing } s \text{ by } x) \\ \Rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin^2 ax}{x^2} dx &= \pi a \Rightarrow 2 \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin^2 ax}{x^2} dx = \pi a \\ &\quad \left(\because \frac{\sin^2 ax}{x^2} \text{ is an even function} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin^2 ax}{x^2} dx = \frac{\pi a}{2}.$$

Example 2. Using a Parseval's identity, show that :

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{(a^2 + x^2)(b^2 + x^2)} = \frac{\pi}{2ab(a+b)}, \quad a, b > 0.$$

Sol. Let $f(x) = e^{-ax}$ and $g(x) = e^{-bx}$. (Note this step)

$$\therefore \bar{f}_C(s) = \int_0^\infty e^{-ax} \cos sx dx = \frac{a}{a^2 + s^2}$$

and

$$\bar{g}_C(s) = \int_0^\infty e^{-bx} \cos sx dx = \frac{b}{b^2 + s^2}$$

∴ By Parseval's identity for Fourier cosine transforms, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_0^{\infty} f(x) g(x) dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \bar{f}_C(s) \bar{g}_C(s) ds. \\
 \Rightarrow & \int_0^{\infty} e^{-ax} e^{-bx} dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{a}{a^2 + s^2} \cdot \frac{b}{b^2 + s^2} ds \\
 \Rightarrow & \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(a+b)x} dx = \frac{2ab}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{ds}{(a^2 + s^2)(b^2 + s^2)} \\
 \Rightarrow & \frac{\pi}{2ab} \cdot \frac{e^{-(a+b)x}}{-(a+b)} \Big|_0^{\infty} = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(a^2 + x^2)(b^2 + x^2)} \quad (\text{Changing } s \text{ by } x) \\
 \therefore & \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(a^2 + x^2)(b^2 + x^2)} = -\frac{\pi}{2ab(a+b)} (0 - 1) = \frac{\pi}{2ab(a+b)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Example 3. Using a Parseval's identity, show that :

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin ax}{x(a^2 + x^2)} dx = \frac{\pi}{2} \left(\frac{1 - e^{-a^2}}{a^2} \right), \quad a > 0.$$

Sol. Let

$$f(x) = e^{-ax}, \quad x > 0, \quad a > 0$$

and

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } 0 < x \leq a \\ 0, & \text{if } x > a \end{cases}.$$

∴

$$\bar{f}_C(s) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-ax} \cos sx dx = \frac{a}{a^2 + s^2}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \bar{g}_C(s) &= \int_0^{\infty} g(x) \cos sx dx \\
 &= \int_0^a 1 \cdot \cos sx dx + \int_a^{\infty} 0 \cdot \cos sx dx \\
 &= \frac{\sin sx}{s} \Big|_0^a + 0 = \frac{1}{s} (\sin sa - \sin 0) = \frac{\sin as}{s}
 \end{aligned}$$

∴ By Parseval's identity for Fourier cosine transforms, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_0^{\infty} f(x) g(x) dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \bar{f}_C(s) \bar{g}_C(s) ds. \\
 \Rightarrow & \int_0^a f(x) g(x) dx + \int_a^{\infty} f(x) g(x) dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{a}{a^2 + s^2} \cdot \frac{\sin as}{s} ds \\
 \Rightarrow & \int_0^a e^{-ax} \cdot 1 dx + \int_a^{\infty} e^{-ax} \cdot 0 dx = \frac{2a}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin as}{s(a^2 + s^2)} ds \\
 \Rightarrow & \frac{e^{-ax}}{-a} \Big|_0^a + 0 = \frac{2a}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin ax}{x(a^2 + x^2)} dx \quad (\text{Replacing } s \text{ by } x) \\
 \Rightarrow & \frac{1}{-a} [e^{-a^2} - 1] = \frac{2a}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin ax}{x(a^2 + x^2)} dx \\
 \therefore & \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin ax}{x(a^2 + x^2)} dx = \frac{\pi}{2} \left(\frac{1 - e^{-a^2}}{a^2} \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE

1. Find the Fourier sine and cosine transforms of the function $e^{-3x/2}$ by using its second derivative.
2. Using a Parseval's identity, show that :

$$(i) \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(x^2 + 4)(x^2 + 9)} = \frac{\pi}{60}$$

$$(ii) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(x^2 + 1)(x^2 + 16)} = \frac{\pi}{80}.$$

3. Using a Parseval's identity, show that :

$$(i) \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(x^2 + 1)^2} = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$(ii) \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^2 dx}{(x^2 + 1)^2} = \frac{\pi}{4}.$$

4. Use Parseval's identity for Fourier sine transform of the function $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } 0 < x \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases}$ to

$$\text{show that } \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{1 - \cos x}{x} \right)^2 dx = \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

5. Use Parseval's identity for Fourier cosine transform of the function $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } 0 < x \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases}$ to

$$\text{show that } \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2} dx = \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

Answer

$$1. \frac{4s}{9 + 4s^2}, \frac{6}{9 + 4s^2}.$$

Hint

3. (ii) Use Parseval's identity for the Fourier sine transform of the function $e^{-x}, x > 0$.
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