

Wintersemester 2022/23

Return your written solutions either in person or by email

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1. Recall that the *Fourier transform* of $u \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ is defined as

$$\widehat{u}(\boldsymbol{\xi}) := \mathcal{F}\{u\}(\boldsymbol{\xi}) := \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} e^{-2\pi i \boldsymbol{\xi} \cdot \mathbf{x}} u(\mathbf{x}) \, d\mathbf{x} \quad \text{for } \boldsymbol{\xi} \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

and the *inverse Fourier transform* of $v \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ is defined as

$$\mathcal{F}^*\{v\}(\mathbf{x}) := \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} e^{2\pi i \boldsymbol{\xi} \cdot \mathbf{x}} v(\boldsymbol{\xi}) \, d\boldsymbol{\xi} \quad \text{for } \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d.$$

Consider the functions

$$\psi(\mathbf{x}) := e^{-\pi \|\mathbf{x}\|^2} \quad \text{and} \quad \psi_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x}) = \varepsilon^{-d} \psi(\varepsilon^{-1} \mathbf{x}),$$

where $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ and $\varepsilon > 0$.

- (a) Show that

$$\mathcal{F}\psi = \psi = \mathcal{F}^*\psi.$$

- (b) Show that

$$\widehat{\psi_\varepsilon}(\boldsymbol{\xi}) = \widehat{\psi}(\varepsilon \boldsymbol{\xi}) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{F}^*\widehat{\psi_\varepsilon} = \psi_\varepsilon.$$

2. Consider the *Schwartz space* of rapidly decreasing C^∞ functions:

$$\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^d) := \left\{ \varphi \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d) \mid \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d} |\mathbf{x}^\alpha \partial^\beta \varphi(\mathbf{x})| < \infty \text{ for all } \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \boldsymbol{\beta} \in \mathbb{N}_0^d \right\}.$$

Show that¹

$$\widehat{\partial^\alpha \varphi}(\boldsymbol{\xi}) = (2\pi i \boldsymbol{\xi})^\alpha \widehat{\varphi}(\boldsymbol{\xi}) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{F}\{(-2\pi i \mathbf{x})^\alpha \varphi(\mathbf{x})\}(\boldsymbol{\xi}) = \partial^\alpha \widehat{\varphi}(\boldsymbol{\xi})$$

for all $\varphi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^d)$.

3. Show that the function $f: x \mapsto |x|^{2/3}$ belongs to $H^1(-1, 1)$ and that

$$f'(x) = c \operatorname{sign}(x) |x|^{-1/3}$$

for some constant c . Here $\operatorname{sign}(x) = -1$ if $x < 0$ and $\operatorname{sign}(x) = +1$ otherwise.

¹Note that the *multi-index notations* used in this task are the following: $\mathbf{x}^\alpha = \prod_{k=1}^d x_k^{\alpha_k}$, $\partial^\beta \varphi(\mathbf{x}) = \left(\prod_{k=1}^d \frac{\partial^{\beta_k}}{\partial x_k^{\beta_k}} \right) \varphi(\mathbf{x})$, $(2\pi i \boldsymbol{\xi})^\alpha = \prod_{k=1}^d (2\pi i \xi_k)^{\alpha_k}$, and $(-2\pi i \mathbf{x})^\alpha = \prod_{k=1}^d (-2\pi i x_k)^{\alpha_k}$, where $\boldsymbol{\alpha} = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_d) \in \mathbb{N}_0^d$, $\boldsymbol{\beta} = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_d) \in \mathbb{N}_0^d$, and $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_d) \in \mathbb{R}^d$. We also use the convention $0^0 := 1$.