**Final Exam** (5/7/2012)

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**Problem 1**) Let f(x) and g(x) be two arbitrary functions of the real variable x whose Fourier transforms are given by F(s) and G(s), respectively. In general, f(x), g(x), F(s), and G(s) are complex-valued functions of their respective real variables.

4 pts a) Using the defining integrals of direct and inverse Fourier transformation, prove the following identity, which is commonly referred to as Parseval's theorem:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)g^{*}(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(s)G^{*}(s) ds$$

Considering that  $\mathcal{F}{\text{Rect}(x)} = \text{sinc}(s)$ ,  $\mathcal{F}{\text{Tri}(x)} = \text{sinc}^2(s)$ , and  $\mathcal{F}{\exp(-|x|)} = 2/[1 + (2\pi s)^2]$ , use Parseval's theorem to evaluate the following definite integrals:

- 2 pts b)  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \operatorname{sinc}^{3}(s) ds$ ,
- 2 pts c)  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \operatorname{sinc}^4(s) \mathrm{d}s$ ,
- 2 pts d)  $\int_0^\infty \exp(-x)\operatorname{sinc}(x)dx$ .

10 pts **Problem 2**) The Bessel function of first kind, order *n* has the following Taylor series expansion:

$$J_n(x) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^m (x/2)^{2m+n}}{m! (n+m)!}.$$

Show by direct substitution into the Bessel equation  $x^2 f''(x) + x f'(x) + (\alpha^2 x^2 - n^2) f(x) = 0$ , that  $J_n(\alpha x)$  satisfies the Bessel equation. Here  $\alpha$  is an arbitrary real-valued constant.

10 pts **Problem 3**) Use the method of Frobenius to find the general solution to the following linear, ordinary differential equation with constant coefficients:

$$\frac{d^2 f(x)}{dx^2} + 2\frac{df(x)}{dx} + f(x) = 0.$$

**Hint**: The indicial equation has three solutions,  $s_1=0$ ,  $s_2=1$ , and  $s_3=-1$ . While  $s_1$  and  $s_3$  lead to the most general solution of the differential equation, it is easier to start with  $s_2$  in order to obtain one of the two independent solutions. The other solution may then be found using either  $s_1$  or  $s_3$ .

10 pts **Problem 4**) A thin, solid disk of radius *R* and thermal diffusivity *D* [cm<sup>2</sup>/sec] has an initial temperature distribution  $T(r, \phi, t = 0) = T_0 + f(r) \cos \phi$ . Here  $T_0$  is the constant ambient temperature, f(r), a function of the radial coordinate *r*, is specified in the interval  $0 \le r \le R$ , and the azimuthal angle  $\phi$  covers the entire available range from 0 to  $2\pi$ . The boundary of the disk at

r=R is kept at the constant ambient temperature at all times  $t \ge 0$ , so that  $T(r=R,\phi,t)=T_{o}$ . (The disk is sufficiently thin, so that its temperature profile through the thickness may be assumed to be uniform.) Obtain the solution to the 2-dimensional heat diffusion equation  $D\nabla^2 T(r,\phi,t) = \partial T(r,\phi,t)/\partial t$  for  $t \ge 0$  using the method of separation of variables.

Hint: The Laplacian operator in cylindrical

coordinates is  $\nabla^2 = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \phi^2}.$ 

