

Problem 1) a) $f(x) = [\text{Rect}(x) \cos(\pi x)] * \text{Comb}(x)$.

b) First, we find the Fourier transform of one period of the function $|\cos(\pi x)|$ in the interval $[-\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2}]$, as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \cos(\pi x) \exp(-i2\pi s x) dx \\
 &= \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{2} [\exp(i\pi x) + \exp(-i\pi x)] \exp(-i2\pi s x) dx \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \exp[i\pi(1-2s)x] dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \exp[-i\pi(1+2s)x] dx \\
 &= \frac{\exp[i\pi(\frac{1}{2}-s)] - \exp[-i\pi(\frac{1}{2}-s)]}{i2\pi(1-2s)} - \frac{\exp[-i\pi(\frac{1}{2}+s)] - \exp[i\pi(\frac{1}{2}+s)]}{i2\pi(1+2s)} \\
 &= \frac{2i \cos(\pi s)}{i2\pi(1-2s)} + \frac{2i \cos(\pi s)}{i2\pi(1+2s)} = \frac{2 \cos(\pi s)}{\pi(1-4s^2)}. \tag{1}
 \end{aligned}$$

Alternatively, invoking the fact that a single period of $f(x)$ is represented by $\text{Rect}(x) \cos(\pi x)$, we may use the convolution theorem to write

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{F}\{\text{Rect}(x) \cos(\pi x)\} &= \text{sinc}(s) * \frac{1}{2} [\delta(s + \frac{1}{2}) + \delta(s - \frac{1}{2})] \\
 &= \frac{\sin[\pi(s+\frac{1}{2})]}{2\pi(s+\frac{1}{2})} + \frac{\sin[\pi(s-\frac{1}{2})]}{2\pi(s-\frac{1}{2})} = \frac{\cos(\pi s)}{\pi(2s+1)} - \frac{\cos(\pi s)}{\pi(2s-1)} = \frac{2 \cos(\pi s)}{\pi(1-4s^2)}. \tag{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Considering that the convolution of one period of $f(x)$ with $\text{comb}(x)$ produces the periodic function $|\cos(\pi x)|$, the Fourier transform of $f(x)$ must be the product of $\text{comb}(s)$ and the Fourier transform of a single period of $f(x)$, which is given by Eqs.(1) and (2). The Fourier series coefficients of $f(x)$ are thus given by

$$F_n = \frac{2 \cos(n\pi)}{\pi(1-4n^2)} = \frac{(-1)^n}{(1-4n^2)(\pi/2)}. \tag{3}$$

The Fourier series representation of $f(x)$ is readily found to be

$$f(x) = |\cos(\pi x)| = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} F_n \exp(i2\pi n x) = \frac{2}{\pi} - \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \cos(2\pi n x)}{4n^2 - 1}. \tag{4}$$
