

Some more 3 lemmas.

For this, we'll need to recall the definition of the Fourier transform \hat{f} of a suitably nice function $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$:

$$\hat{f}(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-2\pi i s x} dx \quad (s \in \mathbb{R}).$$

We have:

Lemma β .
If $G(x) = e^{-\pi x^2}$, then $\hat{G} = G$.

Proof

Note that $G(0) = 1$, and that

$$G'(x) = -2\pi x e^{-\pi x^2} = -2\pi x G(x).$$

So G satisfies the initial value problem

$$f'(x) = -2\pi x f(x), \quad f(0) = 1. \quad (*)$$

By elementary theory of differential eq'ns, $(*)$ has a unique solution, so if we can show that \hat{G} also satisfies $(*)$, we'll be done.

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{G}(s) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(x) e^{-2\pi i s x} dx, \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi x^2} e^{-2\pi i s x} dx, \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{so } (\hat{G})'(s) = -2\pi i \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x e^{-\pi x^2} e^{-2\pi i s x} dx.$$

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Integrate by parts with $u = ie^{-2\pi isx}$ and $dv = -2\pi x e^{-\pi x^2} dx$. We get $du = 2\pi i e^{-2\pi isx} dx$ and $v = e^{-\pi x^2}$, so

$$\begin{aligned} (\hat{G})'(s) &= ie^{-\pi x^2} e^{-2\pi isx} \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty} \\ &\quad + 2\pi s \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi x^2} e^{-2\pi isx} dx \\ &= 0 + 2\pi s \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi x^2} e^{-2\pi isx} dx \\ &= 2\pi s \hat{G}(s), \end{aligned}$$

so \hat{G} satisfies the differential equation in (*). To see that it satisfies the initial condition there, we compute

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{G}(0) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi x^2} e^{-2\pi i(0)x} dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi x^2} dx = 1 \end{aligned}$$

by Lemma 4, and we're done.

A corollary:

Lemma 5.

If $t > 0$ and $G_t(x) = e^{-\pi t x^2}$, then $\hat{G}_t(s)$
 $= t^{-1/2} e^{-\pi s^2/t}$.

Proof Let $G(x) = \hat{G}(x) = e^{-\pi x^2}$ as above.
 We have

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$$\hat{G}_t(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi t x^2} e^{-2\pi i s x} dx$$

$$\stackrel{x \rightarrow x/\sqrt{t}}{=} t^{-1/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\pi x^2} e^{-2\pi i (s/\sqrt{t}) x} dx$$

$$= t^{-1/2} \hat{G}(s/\sqrt{t}) = t^{-1/2} G(s/\sqrt{t})$$

$$= t^{-1/2} e^{-\pi (s/\sqrt{t})^2} = t^{-1/2} e^{-\pi s^2/t}. \quad \square$$

For the next lemma we recall that, if g is a suitably nice function on \mathbb{R} and g has period 1, then g has a Fourier series

$$g(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n(g) e^{2\pi i n x},$$

where

$$c_n(g) = \int_0^1 g(y) e^{-2\pi i n y} dy.$$

Consequence:

Lemma 5 (Poisson summation)

If f is a function on \mathbb{R} such that both $f(x)$ and $\hat{f}(x)$ are of suitably rapid decay as $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$, then

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f(n) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{f}(n).$$

Proof For such f , define

$$g(x) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f(x+n). \quad (A)$$

Then g has period 1, so it has a Fourier

series

$$\begin{aligned}
g(x) &= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} c_n(f) e^{2\pi i n x} \\
&= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \left[\int_0^1 g(y) e^{-2\pi i n y} dy \right] e^{2\pi i n x} \\
&= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \left[\int_0^1 \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} f(y+m) e^{-2\pi i n y} dy \right] e^{2\pi i n x} \\
&= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \left(\sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_0^1 f(y+m) e^{-2\pi i n y} dy \right) e^{2\pi i n x} \\
&\stackrel{y \rightarrow y-m}{=} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \left(\sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_m^{m+1} f(y) e^{-2\pi i n (y-m)} dy \right) e^{2\pi i n x} \\
&\stackrel{e^{2\pi i n m} = 1}{=} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(y) e^{-2\pi i n y} dy \right) e^{2\pi i n x} \\
&= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{f}(n) e^{2\pi i n x} \quad (B)
\end{aligned}$$

Equating (A) and (B), and letting $x=0$ gives the result. \square

Finally:

Lemma E.

If the "Jacobi theta function" $\Theta(t)$ is defined by

$$\Theta(t) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{-\pi t n^2},$$

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then we have the "Jacobi identity"

$$\Theta(t) = t^{-1/2} \Theta(1/t).$$

Proof.

Note that

$$\Theta(t) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} G_t(n)$$

with $G_t(x) = e^{-\pi t x^2}$, as above. By Lemma 5, then,

$$\Theta(t) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{G}_t(n),$$

so by Lemma 6,

$$\Theta(t) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} t^{-1/2} e^{-\pi n^2/t}$$

$$= t^{-1/2} \Theta(1/t). \quad \square$$