

MATH 675 – HOMEWORK #1
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Exercise 1. Given Euler's formula $e^{ix} = \cos(x) + i \sin(x)$ derive the trig identities

$$2 \sin(\theta) \sin(\phi) = \cos(\theta - \phi) - \cos(\theta + \phi),$$

$$2 \sin(\theta) \cos(\phi) = \sin(\theta - \phi) + \sin(\theta + \phi).$$

Exercise 2. Exercise 5, page 26 in Stein and Shakarchi.

Exercise 3. (a) Show that if F and G are twice differentiable functions then the function

$$u(x, t) = F(x + t) + G(x - t) \tag{1}$$

is a solution to the wave equation $u_{tt} = u_{xx}$. This solution is known as the *travelling wave solution* to the wave equation.

(b) Show that the standing wave solution derived in class, namely

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} (a_m \cos(mt) + b_m \sin(mt)) \sin(mx)$$

$$f(x) = u(x, 0) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} a_m \sin(mx) \quad g(x) = u_t(x, 0) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} mb_m \sin(mx)$$

satisfies (1) with

$$F(x) + G(x) = f(x) \quad \text{and} \quad F'(x) - G'(x) = g(x).$$

(Hint: For these calculations you may manipulate all infinite series formally without worrying about convergence.)

Exercise 4. Exercise 2, page 59, Stein and Shakarchi.