Homework #8

Problem 2 - 7.2.2:

We need to find f(s) that solves the differential equation

$$(s^{2}+1)f'(s) + sf(s) = 0.$$
(1)

From (1) we obtain:

$$f'(s) = \frac{df}{ds} = -\frac{sf(s)}{s^2 + 1}.$$
(2)

We can rearrange factors and integrate both sides of the equation

$$\int \frac{df}{f(s)} = -\int \frac{s}{s^2 + 1} ds,\tag{3}$$

then,

$$lnf = -\frac{1}{2}ln(s^2 + 1) + lnC,$$
(4)

where lnC is an integration constant. Exponentiating both sides we obtain:

$$f(s) = \frac{C}{\sqrt{s^2 + 1}}.\tag{5}$$