

## Solution to Assignment 4

**12 (p.62)** We need to prove

$$\frac{s_1 + s_2 + \cdots + s_n}{n} - s = \frac{(s_1 - s) + (s_2 - s) + \cdots + (s_n - s)}{n} \rightarrow 0$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . By replacing  $s_n$  with  $s_n - s$ , it suffices to prove the case for  $s = 0$ . Now, given any  $\epsilon > 0$ , we note that  $s_n \rightarrow 0$  and therefore there exists  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|s_n| < \epsilon$  for all  $n > N$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{s_1 + s_2 + \cdots + s_n}{n} \right| &= \left| \frac{s_1 + \cdots + s_N + s_{N+1} + \cdots + s_n}{n} \right| \\ &\leq \frac{|s_1 + \cdots + s_N|}{n} + \frac{1}{n} (|s_{N+1}| + \cdots + |s_n|) \\ &\leq \frac{|s_1 + \cdots + s_N|}{n} + \left( \frac{n - N}{n} \right) \epsilon \\ &< \frac{|s_1 + \cdots + s_N|}{n} + \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $N$  is fixed and  $|s_1 + \cdots + s_N|$  is a finite number, we can choose an integer  $N_1 > N$  such that  $\frac{|s_1 + \cdots + s_N|}{n} < \epsilon$ . Hence, whenever  $n > N_1$ .

$$\left| \frac{s_1 + s_2 + \cdots + s_n}{n} \right| < 2\epsilon.$$

Thus  $\sum c_n$  is Cesàro summable to  $s$ .

**13(a) (p.62)** By letting  $c'_1 = c_1 - s$ ,  $c'_n = c_n$  for  $n \geq 2$ , we see that the series  $\sum c_n$  is Abel summable to  $s$  if and only if  $c'_n$  is Abel summable to 0. Hence it suffices to consider  $s = 0$ . Let  $s_0 = 0$  and  $s_n = c_1 + \dots + c_n$ , then

$$\sum_{n=1}^N c_n r^n = \sum_{n=1}^N (s_n - s_{n-1}) r^n = \sum_{n=1}^N s_n r^n - r \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} s_n r^n = (1 - r) \sum_{n=1}^N s_n r^n + s_N r^{N+1}.$$

Since  $s_N r^{N+1} \rightarrow 0$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ , thus

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n r^n = (1 - r) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} s_n r^n.$$

For any  $\epsilon > 0$ , by noting that  $s_n \rightarrow 0$ , we can therefore find  $N_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ , such that  $|s_n| < \epsilon$  for  $n > N_0$ . Moreover,  $s_n \rightarrow 0$  implies  $|s_n| \leq M$ , we can find  $\delta > 0$ , such

that  $(1-r)MN_0 < \epsilon$  whenever  $1-\delta < r < 1$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| (1-r) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} s_n r^n \right| &\leq \left| (1-r) \sum_{n=1}^{N_0} s_n r^n \right| + (1-r) \sum_{n=N_0+1}^{\infty} |s_n| r^n \\ &\leq (1-r)MN_0 + \epsilon \sum_{n=N_0+1}^{\infty} r^n \\ &= \epsilon + \epsilon = 2\epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

This means  $\lim_{r \rightarrow 1} (1-r) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} s_n r^n = 0$ . Hence  $\sum c_n$  is Abel summable.

**13(b)** Let  $c_n = (-1)^n$ , then  $\sum_1^{\infty} (-1)^n$  does not converge. However,

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 1} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n r^n = \lim_{r \rightarrow 1} \frac{-r}{1+r} = -\frac{1}{2}.$$

**13(c)** Again, we just need to consider  $\sigma = 0$ . Recall that  $\sigma_n = \frac{s_1 + \dots + s_n}{n}$ , from 13(a), we obtain (using the same identity with  $c_n$  replaced by  $s_n$ )

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n r^n = (1-r) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} s_n r^n = (1-r)^2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \sigma_n r^n.$$

We also further recall the identity  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n r^n = r \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{dr^n}{dr} = r \frac{d}{dr} \left( \frac{r}{1-r} \right) = \frac{r}{(1-r)^2}$ . Now, for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $N_0$  such that for all  $n \geq N_0$ ,  $|\sigma_n| < \epsilon$ . Hence,

$$(1-r)^2 \left| \sum_{n=N_0+1}^{\infty} n \sigma_n r^n \right| \leq (1-r)^2 \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n r^n \right) \epsilon < \epsilon r < \epsilon.$$

Moreover,  $|\sigma_n| \leq M$  for all  $n$ . We then take  $\delta = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{(\sum_{n=1}^{N_0} n)M}} > 0$  such that whenever  $1-\delta < r < 1$ ,

$$\left| (1-r)^2 \left( \sum_{n=1}^{N_0} n \sigma_n r^n \right) \right| \leq (1-r)^2 \left( \sum_{n=1}^{N_0} n \right) M < \epsilon.$$

Combining this, we obtain whenever  $1-\delta < r < 1$ ,

$$\left| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n r^n \right| = \left| (1-r)^2 \left( \sum_{n=1}^{N_0} n \sigma_n r^n \right) + (1-r)^2 \sum_{n=N_0+1}^{\infty} n \sigma_n r^n \right| < 2\epsilon.$$

This completes the proof.

**13(d)** Note that if  $c_n$  is Cesàro summable (i.e.  $\sigma_n = \frac{s_1 + \dots + s_n}{n} \rightarrow \sigma$ ), then

$$\frac{s_n}{n} = \frac{n\sigma_n - (n-1)\sigma_{n-1}}{n} = \sigma_n - \frac{n-1}{n} \sigma_{n-1} \longrightarrow 0.$$

Hence,

$$\frac{c_n}{n} = \frac{s_n - s_{n-1}}{n} = \frac{s_n}{n} - \frac{n-1}{n} \frac{s_{n-1}}{n-1} \longrightarrow 0.$$

If  $c_n = (-1)^{n-1}n$ , then  $\frac{c_n}{n} = (-1)^{n-1}$ , which does not converge. Hence,  $c_n$  is not Cesàro summable. However,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1}nr^n = \frac{r}{(1+r)^2}$ , so

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 1} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1}nr^n = \frac{1}{4}.$$

Hence, it is Abel summable.

**Ex 6 (p. 89).** Assume that  $\{a_k\}$  is the coefficient of some Riemann integrable function  $f$ , i.e.  $f(x) \sim \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{e^{ikx}}{k}$ . Consider  $A_r(f)(0)$ ,

$$A_r(f)(0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(\theta)P_r(-\theta)d\theta.$$

$P_r(\theta)$  is an even function on  $\theta$ , and since  $1-2r \cos \theta + r^2 = (1-r \cos \theta)^2 + r^2 \sin^2 \theta > 0$  for  $r \in [0, 1)$ , so  $P_r(\theta) = P_r(-\theta) = \frac{1-r^2}{1-2r \cos \theta + r^2} > 0$ . We now have

$$\begin{aligned} |A_r(f)(0)| &\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(\theta)|P_r(-\theta)d\theta \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \sup_{\theta} |f(\theta)| \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} P_r(-\theta)d\theta \\ &= \sup_{\theta} |f(\theta)| < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,  $\lim_{r \rightarrow 1} A_r(f)(0) = \lim_{r \rightarrow 1} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{r^k}{k} = \infty$ . Therefore, there's no function with  $\{a_k\}$  as its coefficient.

Note that  $\lim_{r \rightarrow 1} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{r^k}{k} = \infty$  because for all  $M > 0$ , we can choose  $N$  such that  $\sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k} > 2M$ . Then we choose  $r$  so close to 1 that  $r^N \geq 1/2$ , then

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{r^k}{k} \geq \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{r^k}{k} \geq \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k} \geq M.$$

**Ex 8a (p. 89).**  $\widehat{f}(n)$  is the same as that of Exercise 6 in Chapter 2. Using the Parseval's identity:

$$\left(\frac{1}{2\pi}\right)^2 + 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{-2}{(2n+1)^2\pi}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(\theta)|^2 d\theta = \frac{\pi^2}{3}.$$

This implies

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n+1)^4} = \frac{\pi^4}{96}.$$

Also,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n+1)^4} + \frac{1}{2^4} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4}$ . Hence,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^4} = \frac{\pi^4}{90}.$$

**Ex 8b.** We have computed  $\widehat{f}(n)$  in Exercise 4 in Chapter 2. Using the same method as (a), we have

$$2 \cdot \frac{16}{\pi^2} \cdot \sum_{k>0, k \text{ odd}} \frac{1}{k^6} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(\theta)|^2 d\theta = \frac{\pi^4}{30}.$$

Hence,  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n+1)^6} = \frac{\pi^6}{960}$  follows. As

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^6} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n+1)^6} + \frac{1}{2^6} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^6},$$

we have  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^6} = \frac{\pi^6}{945}$ .

**Ex 9. (p.90)** We note that

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{f}(n) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi \alpha} e^{i(\pi-x)\alpha} e^{-inx} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2 \sin \pi \alpha} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{i\pi\alpha} e^{-i(n+\alpha)x} dx \\ &= \frac{e^{i\pi\alpha}}{2 \sin \pi \alpha} \left( -\frac{1}{i(n+\alpha)} e^{-i(n+\alpha)x} \Big|_0^{2\pi} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{n+\alpha}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence the Fourier series of  $f$  is  $\sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{inx}}{n+\alpha}$ . By the Parseval's identity,

$$\sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+\alpha)^2} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi \alpha} e^{i(\pi-x)\alpha} dx = \frac{\pi^2}{\sin^2 \pi \alpha}.$$