

Fourier Analysis

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1. Review.

Recall that a good kernel means a sequence $(K_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ of integrable functions on the circle satisfying

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} K_n(x) dx = 1;$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \exists M > 0 \text{ such that } \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |K_n(x)| dx \leq M;$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \text{For any } 0 < \delta < \pi,$$

$$\int_{\delta < |x| < \pi} |K_n(x)| dx \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

(Convergence Thm for good kernels):

Let $(K_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be a good kernel on the circle.

Suppose f is integrable on the circle. Then

$$K_n * f(x) \rightarrow f(x) \quad \text{if } f \text{ is cts at } x.$$

If f is cts on the circle, then

$$K_n * f(x) \Rightarrow f(x) \text{ on the circle.}$$

Example 1. (Fejer's Kernel)

For $N \in \mathbb{N}$, set

$$\begin{aligned} F_N(x) &= \frac{\sin^2\left(\frac{N}{2}x\right)}{N \sin^2\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)} \\ &= \frac{D_0(x) + \dots + D_{N-1}(x)}{N} \quad \left(\text{Recall } D_n(x) = \sum_{k=-n}^n e^{ikx} \right) \\ &= \sum_{n=-N}^N \left(1 - \frac{|n|}{N}\right) e^{inx} \end{aligned}$$

We call F_N the N -th Fejer's kernel.

Corollary (Fejer's thm).

Let f be integrable on the circle, then

- $F_N * f(x) \rightarrow f(x)$ if f is cts
- If f is cts on the circle, then

$$F_N * f \rightrightarrows f \quad \text{on the circle.}$$

Recall that

$$F_N(x) = \sum_{n=-N}^N \left(1 - \frac{|n|}{N}\right) e^{inx}$$

So

$$F_N * f(x) = \sum_{n=-N}^N \left(1 - \frac{|n|}{N}\right) \cdot \hat{f}(n) e^{inx}$$

We also write

$$\sigma_N f(x) := F_N * f(x)$$

(we call it the N -th Cesàro mean of the Fourier series of f).

Corollary 1: Let f be cts on $[-\pi, \pi]$ with $f(\pi) = f(-\pi)$.

Then $\forall \varepsilon > 0$, \exists a trigonometric poly $p(x)$ such that

$$|f(x) - p(x)| < \varepsilon \quad \text{for all } x \in [-\pi, \pi].$$

Pf. Since f is cts on the circle,

$$\sigma_N f \Rightarrow f \quad \text{on the circle.}$$

$\underbrace{\sigma_N f}_{\text{A trigonometric poly}}$

} by Fejer's Thm.

(uniqueness Thm for Fourier Series)

Corollary 2. Suppose f is cts on the circle such that

$$\hat{f}(n) \equiv 0 \text{ for } n \in \mathbb{Z}. \text{ Then } f \equiv 0.$$

Pf. Since $\hat{f}(n) \equiv 0$ for $n \in \mathbb{Z}$,

$$\sigma_N f(x) = \sum_{n=-N}^N \left(1 - \frac{|n|}{N}\right) \hat{f}(n) e^{inx}$$

$$= 0 \quad \text{for all } N \in \mathbb{N}.$$

But by Fejer's Thm

$$\sigma_N f \rightrightarrows f \quad \text{as } N \rightarrow \infty$$

which implies $f \equiv 0$.

- Similarly, we can define "good kernel" for a family of integrable functions

$$(K_t)_{t \in (a,b)}$$

as $t \rightarrow t_0$. More precisely, $(K_t)_{t \in (a,b)}$ is said to

be a good kernel on the circle as $t \rightarrow t_0$ if

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} K_t(x) dx = 1 \quad \text{for all } t \in (a, b)$$

$\textcircled{2} \quad \exists M > 0$, such that

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |K_t(x)| dx \leq M \quad \text{for all } t \in (a, b)$$

$\textcircled{3} \quad \text{For } 0 < \delta < \pi$,

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow t_0} \int_{\delta < |x| < \pi} |K_t(x)| dx = 0.$$

(Convergence Thm): If $(K_t)_{t \in (a, b)}$ is a good kernel as $t \rightarrow t_0$, then

$$K_t * f(x) \xrightarrow{(t \rightarrow t_0)} f(x) \quad \text{if } f \text{ is cts at } x_0.$$

• If f is cts on the circle

$$K_t * f \rightrightarrows f \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow t_0.$$

Example 2. Define for $t \in (0, \pi)$,

$$\varphi_t(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\pi}{t} & \text{if } 0 \leq |x| < t \\ 0 & \text{if } |x| \geq t. \end{cases}$$

Then $(\varphi_t)_{t \in (0, \pi)}$ is a good kernel as $t \rightarrow 0$.

Check :

$$\bullet \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \varphi_t(x) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-t}^t \frac{\pi}{t} dx = 1$$

$$\bullet \varphi_t(x) \geq 0$$

$$\bullet \int_{\delta < |x| < \pi} \varphi_t(x) dx$$

$$= \int_{\{x : \delta < |x| < \pi\} \cap (-t, t)} \frac{\pi}{t} dx$$

= 0 when t is small enough.

Check:

$$\begin{aligned} f * \mathcal{P}_t(x) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \mathcal{P}_t(y) f(x-y) dy \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-t}^t \frac{\pi}{t} \cdot f(x-y) dy \\ &= \frac{1}{2t} \int_{-t}^t f(x-y) dy \end{aligned}$$

Example 3 (Poisson kernel on the circle).

For $r \in (0, 1)$, define

$$P_r(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} r^{|n|} e^{inx}.$$

We call $(P_r)_{r \in (0, 1)}$ the Poisson kernel on the circle as $r \rightarrow 1$.

Lem 3. For $r \in (0, 1)$

$$P_r(x) = \frac{1 - r^2}{1 - 2r \cos x + r^2}$$

Pf.

$$P_r(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} r^{|n|} e^{inx}$$

$$= \left(\sum_{n=-\infty}^{-1} r^{|n|} e^{inx} \right) + 1 + \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^n e^{inx} \right)$$

$$= 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^n e^{-inx} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^n e^{inx}$$

$$= 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (re^{-ix})^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (re^{ix})^n$$

$$= 1 + \frac{re^{-ix}}{1 - re^{-ix}} + \frac{re^{ix}}{1 - re^{ix}}$$

(using $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z^n = \frac{z}{1-z}$ for $|z| < 1$)

$$= 1 + \frac{re^{-ix}(1 - re^{ix}) + re^{ix}(1 - re^{-ix})}{(1 - re^{-ix})(1 - re^{ix})}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{re^{-ix} - r^2 + re^{ix} - r^2}{1 - re^{-ix} - re^{ix} + r^2}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{2r \cos x - 2r^2}{1 - 2r \cos x + r^2}$$

$$= \frac{1 - r^2}{1 - 2r \cos x + r^2} \quad \left(\text{using } e^{-ix} + e^{ix} = 2 \cos x \right)$$

$$1 - 2r \cos x + r^2 = (1 - r \cos x)^2 + r^2(1 - \cos^2 x) > 0$$

Check: (Poisson kernel is good)

$$\bullet \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} P_r(x) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} r^{|n|} e^{inx} dx \quad (*)$$

Since the series converges unif. on the circle,
we have

$$(*) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} r^{|n|} e^{inx} dx$$

$$= 1$$

$$\bullet \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |P_r(x)| dx$$

$$= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} P_r(x) dx = 2\pi.$$

• Let $\alpha < \xi < \pi$.

$$P_r(x) = \frac{1-r^2}{1-2r\cos x+r^2}$$

$$= \frac{1-r^2}{(1-r)^2 + 2r(1-\cos x)}$$

If $\delta < |x| < \pi$, then $1-\cos x \geq 1-\cos \delta > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } P_r(x) &\leq \frac{1-r^2}{2r(1-\cos x)} \\ &\leq \frac{1-r^2}{2r(1-\cos \delta)} \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\int_{\delta < |x| < \pi} P_r(x) dx \leq \frac{1-r^2}{2r(1-\cos \delta)} \cdot 2\pi$$

$\rightarrow 0$ as $r \rightarrow 1$.

Hence $(P_r)_{r \in (0,1)}$ is a good kernel as $r \rightarrow 1$.

Now as a direct consequence of the convergence Thm for good kernels, we have

Corollary 4: Let f be integrable on the circle.

Then

$$(1) \quad P_r * f(x) \rightarrow f(x) \quad \text{as } r \rightarrow 1$$

whenever f is cts at x ;

(2) If f is cts on the circle, then

$$P_r * f(x) \Rightarrow f(x) \quad \text{on the circle}$$

as $r \rightarrow 1$.

Lem 5. Let f be integrable on the circle.

Then

$$P_r * f(x) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} r^{|n|} \hat{f}(n) e^{inx},$$

$r \in (0, 1)$.

Pf. Given $0 < r < 1$.

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} r^{|n|} \hat{f}(n) e^{inx} \\ &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} r^{|n|} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(y) e^{-iny} dy \cdot e^{inx} \\ &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} r^{|n|} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(y) e^{-in(x-y)} dy \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} f(y) r^{|n|} e^{-in(x-y)} dy \end{aligned}$$

(Reason: $\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} f(y) r^{|n|} e^{-in(x-y)}$ converges unif. on the circle)

$$(P_r(y-x) = P_r(x-y))$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(y) \cdot P_r(x-y) dy$$

$$= P_r * f(x). \quad \square$$

We rewrite $A_r f(x) := P_r * f(x)$

and call it the Abel mean of the Fourier series of f .