Solution to Assignment 6

Ex 4. (p. 122) (a) Suppose that the strong version of isoperimetric inequality holds. Given a 2π -periodic C^1 function y(s), and satisfies $\int_0^{2\pi} y(s) ds = 0$, we can define for a curve Γ by the parametrization $\gamma(s) = (x(s), y(s)), s \in [0, 2\pi]$, where x'(s) = -y(s). Then $\int_0^{2\pi} y(s) ds = 0$ ensures Γ is a closed curve. Let l be its length and \mathcal{A} be the area of its surrounded part.

It follows the isoperimetric inequality that

$$0 \le 2\left(\frac{l^2}{4\pi} - \mathcal{A}\right) \le \frac{1}{2\pi} \left(\int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{x'(s)^2 + y'(s)^2} \, ds\right)^2 + 2\int_0^{2\pi} y(s)x'(s) \, ds$$
$$\le \frac{1}{2\pi} \left(\int_0^{2\pi} 1 \, ds\right) \left(\int_0^{2\pi} x'(s)^2 + y'(s)^2 \, ds\right) + 2\int_0^{2\pi} y(s)x'(s) \, ds$$
$$= \int_0^{2\pi} [x'(s) + y(s)]^2 \, ds + \int_0^{2\pi} (y'(s)^2 - y(s)^2) \, ds$$
$$= \int_0^{2\pi} (y'(s)^2 - y(s)^2) \, ds.$$

Therefore,

$$\int_0^{2\pi} y(s)^2 \, ds \le \int_0^{2\pi} y'(s)^2 \, ds,$$

where the equality holds if and only if Γ is a circle, i.e. $y = a + r \sin(s + \phi)$ for some $a \in \mathbb{R}$, r > 0, $\phi \in [0, 2\pi)$. Since $\int_0^{2\pi} y(s) \, ds = 0$, one has a = 0. Therefore, $y(s) = A \sin s + B \cos s$, for some constants A, B.

(b)Suppose that Wirtinger's inequality holds. Consider a C^1 curve of length 2π parametrized by $\gamma(s) = (x(s), y(s)), s \in [0, 2\pi]$ and $\int_0^{2\pi} y(s) ds = 0$, otherwise consider the curve

$$\bar{\gamma}(t) = \left(\frac{l}{2\pi}x(t), \frac{l}{2\pi}y(t) - \frac{1}{2\pi}\int_0^{2\pi}y(s)ds\right),$$

where l is the length of γ and change the variable of $\bar{\gamma}$ as arc-length. Then it suffices to prove that if A is the area of the surrounded part,

$$\pi - A \ge 0.$$

Since s is the arc-length variable, $\sqrt{x'(s)^2 + y'(s)^2} = 1$. So

$$2(\pi - \mathcal{A}) = \int_0^{2\pi} [x'(s) + y(s)]^2 \, ds + \int_0^{2\pi} (y'(s)^2 - y(s)^2) \, ds$$
$$\geq \int_0^{2\pi} [x'(s) + y(s)]^2 \, ds \ge 0,$$

where in the last row, the Wirtinger's inequality is used. The equality holds if and only if $y(s) = A \sin s + B \cos s$ for some constants A, B and x'(s) + y(s) = 0. It is easy to check it is equivalent to that $\gamma(s)$ is a circle.

Ex 5. (p. 122) See Tutorial 6.

Ex 10a (p.123-124). Since $\{\xi_n\}$ is equidistributed in [0,1), by the Weyl's criterion, for $k \neq 0$,

$$\lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} e^{2\pi i k \xi_n} = 0.$$

Hence,

$$\left|\frac{1}{N}\sum_{n=1}^{N}e^{2\pi i k(x+\xi_n)}\right| = |e^{2\pi i kx}| \left|\frac{1}{N}\sum_{n=1}^{N}e^{2\pi i k\xi_n}\right| = \left|\frac{1}{N}\sum_{n=1}^{N}e^{2\pi i k\xi_n}\right| \to 0$$

uniformly in x. Hence, by the linearity of the limit, for all trigonometric polynomial P(x) with $\int P(x)dx = 0$,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} P(x + \xi_n) = 0$$

uniformly in x. Now for any $\epsilon > 0$ and given any continuous function f with $\int f(x)dx$, we can find trigonometric polynomial P such that $\int P(x)dx = 0$

$$\sup_{x \in [0,1]} |f(x) - P(x)| < \epsilon.$$

Hence,

$$\left| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} f(x+\xi_n) \right| \le \left| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} (f(x+\xi_n) - P(x+\xi_n)) \right| + \left| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} P(x+\xi_n) \right|$$
$$\le \sup_{x \in [0,1]} |f(x) - P(x)| + \left| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} P(x+\xi_n) \right|$$
$$< \epsilon + \left| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} P(x+\xi_n) \right|.$$

Taking limit in N, we have

$$\lim_{N\to\infty} \left| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} f(x+\xi_n) \right| < \epsilon.$$

uniformly in x. But ϵ is arbitrary, we have $\lim_{N\to\infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} f(x+\xi_n) = 0$. This completes the proof.

Ex 10(b). For any $\epsilon > 0$ and any Riemann integrable functions f, by Lemma 3.2 in Chapter 2 of the book, there exists a continuous function g such that

$$\sup_{x \in [0,1]} |g(x)| \le \sup_{x \in [0,1]} |f(x)| \text{ and } \int_0^1 |f(x) - g(x)| dx < \epsilon.$$

Define $h(x) = g(x) - \int g(x) dx$. Then h satisfies condition in (a), so that $\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} h(x + \xi_n) \to 0$ uniformly in x. Hence, this means that for N large

$$\frac{1}{N}\sum_{n=1}^{N}g(x+\xi_n) - \int_0^1 g(x)dx < \epsilon \text{ uniformly in } x.$$

Let $M = \sup_{x \in [0,1]} |f(x)|$, note that $\int f(x) dx = 0$, we have

$$\begin{split} \int_{0}^{1} \left| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} f(x+\xi_{n}) \right|^{2} dx &\leq M \int_{0}^{1} \left| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} f(x+\xi_{n}) \right| dx \\ &\leq M \int_{0}^{1} \left| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} (f(x+\xi_{n}) - g(x+\xi_{n})) \right| dx \\ &+ M \int_{0}^{1} \left| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} g(x+\xi_{n}) - \int_{0}^{1} g(x) dx \right| dx \\ &+ M \int_{0}^{1} \left| \int_{0}^{1} g(x) dx - \int_{0}^{1} f(x) dx \right| dx \\ &< M \int_{0}^{1} \left| (f(x+\xi_{n}) - g(x+\xi_{n})) \right| dx + 2M\epsilon \\ &< 3M\epsilon. \end{split}$$

This establishes the result.