

Math 321 Assignment 8
Due Wednesday, March 6 at 9AM on Canvas

Instructions

- (i) Solutions should be well-crafted, legible and written in complete English sentences. You will be graded both on accuracy as well as the quality of exposition.
 - (ii) Theorems stated in the text and proved in class do not need to be reproved. Any other statement should be justified rigorously.
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1. Given a right continuous integrator $\alpha \in BV[a, b]$, let $L_\alpha : C[a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the linear functional given by

$$L_\alpha(f) = \int_a^b f d\alpha.$$

- (a) Show that L_α is continuous. (*Remark: This is the easy direction of the Riesz representation theorem, which we left as an exercise in class.*)
- (b) Show that $\|L_\alpha\| = V_a^b \alpha$. Here $\|L_\alpha\|$ denotes the operator norm of L_α , given by

$$\|L_\alpha\| = \sup \left\{ |L_\alpha(f)| : f \in C[a, b], \|f\|_\infty = \sup_{x \in [a, b]} |f(x)| = 1 \right\}.$$

Remark: The Riesz representation theorem provides, via the mapping $L = L_\alpha \mapsto \alpha$, a bijection between $C[a, b]^$ = the dual of $C[a, b]$ and the space of right continuous integrators $\alpha \in BV[a, b]$ with $\alpha(a) = 0$. The result above shows that this mapping preserves lengths, i.e., is an isometric isomorphism!*

- 2. Let f be a twice differentiable 2π -periodic function with continuous first and second derivatives. Is f the uniform limit of its partial Fourier sums?
- 3. Determine whether the following statement is true or false: If $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is 2π -periodic and Riemann-integrable on $[-\pi, \pi]$, then $\|f_\epsilon - f\|_2 \rightarrow 0$ as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$. Here f_ϵ denotes the translated function $f_\epsilon(x) = f(x + \epsilon)$.
- 4. (a) Obtain the Fourier series of the 2π -periodic function g that coincides with $f(t) = (\pi - t)^2$ on $[0, 2\pi]$.
(b) Does g match its Fourier series? Give reasons for your answer.
(c) Use your results from above to derive the identity: $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6}$.

5. (a) Show that the Fourier series of a function f can alternatively be written in the form

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(k) e^{ikx}, \quad \text{where} \quad \hat{f}(k) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t) e^{-ikt} dt$$

is referred to as the k th Fourier coefficient.

- (b) Determine the relation of $\hat{f}(k)$ with $\hat{g}(k)$ in each of the following cases:

- (i) g is a translate of f , namely $g(x) = f(x + \alpha)$.
 - (ii) g is a modulation of f , namely $g(x) = f(x)e^{-i\alpha x}$, where $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}$.
- (c) Given two bounded, 2π -periodic functions f and g , both of which are Riemann-integrable on $[-\pi, \pi]$, define their convolution $h = f * g$ as follows,

$$h(x) = f * g(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x-t)g(t) dt.$$

Find \widehat{h} in terms of \widehat{f} and \widehat{g} .

- (d) Note that the n th partial Fourier sum $s_n f$ and the n th Cesàro sum $\sigma_n f$ are both given in terms of convolutions of f with appropriate kernels, i.e.,

$$s_n f = f * D_n, \quad \sigma_n f = f * F_n.$$

Recall that $\sigma_n f = (s_1 f + s_2 f + \cdots + s_n f)/n$. Derive explicit formulae for the convolution kernels D_n and F_n , known respectively as Dirichlet and Fejér kernels.