

Fourier analysis exercise 34 & 35

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Exercise 34)

If $a = b$ the statement is trivial so assume $[a, b]$ has non-empty interior. Let $U = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ with without loss of generalization $x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n$. Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Assuming $x_i \neq a, b$, we choose a partition

$$\Pi_\varepsilon = \left[a, x_1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2n} \right] \cup \left[x_1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2n}, x_1 + \frac{\varepsilon}{2n} \right] \cup \left[x_1 + \frac{\varepsilon}{2n}, x_2 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2n} \right] \cup \left[x_2 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2n}, x_2 + \frac{\varepsilon}{2n} \right] \cup \dots \cup \left[x_n + \frac{\varepsilon}{2n}, b \right]$$

if $x_1 = a$ or $x_n = b$ we change the partition accordingly. We can without loss of generalization choose ε so small that no x_i is in two sets of the partition, and so that $a < x_1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2n}$, $b > x_n + \frac{\varepsilon}{2n}$. Since $f - g$ is defined on all of $[x_i - \frac{\varepsilon}{2n}, x_i + \frac{\varepsilon}{2n}]$ we can define the two following (finite) constants

$$B = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \sup_{x: |x - x_i| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2n}} (f - g)(x)$$

$$N = \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} \inf_{x: |x - x_i| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2n}} (f - g)(x)$$

We observe that

$$B = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \max\{0, (f - g)(x_i)\} \quad N = \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} \min\{0, (f - g)(x_i)\}$$

and hence $B \geq 0$ and $N \leq 0$, and furthermore N, B are independent of ε . Observe that on

$$\left[a, x_1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2n} \right], \left[x_i + \frac{\varepsilon}{2n}, x_i - \frac{\varepsilon}{2n} \right], \left[x_n + \frac{\varepsilon}{2n}, b \right]$$

we have $f - g = 0$. Hence we have

$$L(f - g, \Pi_\varepsilon) = \sum_{i=1}^n \inf_{x: |x - x_i| \leq \varepsilon/2n} (f - g)(x) \left(x_i + \frac{\varepsilon}{2n} - \left(x_i - \frac{\varepsilon}{2n} \right) \right) \geq N\varepsilon$$
$$U(f - g, \Pi_\varepsilon) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sup_{x: |x - x_i| \leq \varepsilon/2n} (f - g)(x) \left(x_i + \frac{\varepsilon}{2n} - \left(x_i - \frac{\varepsilon}{2n} \right) \right) \leq B\varepsilon$$

Since $f - g$ is Riemann-integrable (it is a difference of Riemann-integrable functions) we get

$$\int_a^b (f - g) \, dx = \inf_{\text{partitions } \mathcal{P}} U(f - g, \mathcal{P}) \leq \inf_{\Pi_\varepsilon: \varepsilon > 0} U(f - g, \Pi_\varepsilon) \leq \inf_{\Pi_\varepsilon: \varepsilon > 0} B\varepsilon = 0$$

$$0 = \sup_{\Pi_\varepsilon: \varepsilon > 0} N\varepsilon \leq \sup_{\Pi_\varepsilon: \varepsilon > 0} L(f - g, \Pi_\varepsilon) \leq \sup_{\text{partitions } \mathcal{P}} L(f - g, \mathcal{P}) = \int_a^b (f - g) \, dx$$

For the last supremum, remember $N \leq 0$. Hence we conclude that

$$\int_a^b (f - g) \, dx = 0$$

and so

$$\int_a^b f(x) \, dx = \int_a^b g(x) \, dx$$

Problem 35)

a)

Define $g : [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ by

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & x \in [0, 2\pi) \\ f(0) & x = 2\pi \end{cases}$$

Then g is integrable, so by Problem 34) it follows that

$$\int_0^{2\pi} g(x) e^{-inx} \, dx = \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) e^{-inx} \, dx$$

Furthermore g is integrable on the circle so Riemann-Lebesgue lemma apply to g and we get

$$0 = \lim_{|n| \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) e^{-inx} \, dx$$

b)

Define $g : [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ by

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & x \in [a, b] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then g satisfies the assumptions of a) and we get from a) that

$$0 = \lim_{|n| \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{2\pi} g(x) e^{-inx} \, dx = \lim_{|n| \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b f(x) e^{-inx} \, dx$$

Now

$$\int_a^b f(x) \cos(nx) \, dx = \int_a^b f(x) \left(\frac{e^{inx} + e^{-inx}}{2} \right) \, dx = \frac{1}{2} \left(\int_a^b f(x) e^{inx} \, dx + \int_a^b f(x) e^{-inx} \, dx \right)$$

By the first part of b) both those integral tends to 0 in the limit. The case for sin is analogous - use the same decomposition and the same argument applies. For the final part we observe that

$$\sin\left(\left(N + \frac{1}{2}\right)x\right) = \sin(Nx)\cos(x/2) + \cos(Nx)\sin(x/2)$$

and then we apply the Riemann-Lebesgue lemma on $[a, b]$ which we have proved here in b) to the functions $f(x)\cos(x/2)$ and $f(x)\sin(x/2)$.