

Problem 1

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Let q be a polynomial, then $q(x) = \sum_{n=0}^N \alpha_n x^n$

Then $\int_0^1 f(x) q(x) dx = \sum_{n=0}^N \alpha_n \int_0^1 x^n f(x) dx = 0$

Hence $\int_0^1 f(x) q(x) dx = 0$ for all polynomials $q(x)$

Also, f continuous on $[0, 1] \Rightarrow \exists M > 0: |f(x)| \leq M \quad \forall x \in [0, 1]$

Take $\varepsilon > 0$, by the Weierstrass approximation Theorem:

$\exists P$: polynomial such that $|f(x) - P(x)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{M} \quad \forall x \in [0, 1]$

Therefore $\left| \int_0^1 f(x) (f(x) - P(x)) dx \right| \leq \int_0^1 |f(x)| |f(x) - P(x)| dx \leq \int_0^1 M \frac{\varepsilon}{M} dx = \varepsilon$

but $\int_0^1 f(x) (f(x) - P(x)) dx = \int_0^1 f^2(x) dx - \int_0^1 f(x) P(x) dx = \int_0^1 f^2(x) dx$

hence $\int_0^1 f^2(x) dx < \varepsilon \quad \forall \varepsilon > 0 \Rightarrow \int_0^1 f^2(x) dx = 0$

since f is continuous $f \equiv 0$

In the case when $\int_0^1 x^n f(x) dx = 0$ only holds for all even integers n , we see that $\int_0^1 f(x) q(x) dx = 0$ whenever q is a polynomial consisting of even powers of x ($x^{2k}, k \in \mathbb{N}$)

We notice that $f(\sqrt{x}): [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is well defined, since $[0, 1] \xrightarrow{f} [0, 1] \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{R}$ and is in fact continuous as the composition of continuous functions.

By the Weierstrass approximation Theorem:

$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \quad \exists P$: polynomial such that $|f(\sqrt{x}) - P(x)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{M} \quad \forall x \in [0, 1]$

Now choose $y \in [0, 1]$, then $y^2 \in [0, 1]$, $|f(y) - P(y^2)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{M}$

hence $|f(y) - P(y^2)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{M} \quad \forall y \in [0, 1]$

As in the previous proof

$\int_0^1 f^2(y) dy = \int_0^1 f(y) (f(y) - P(y^2)) dy < \varepsilon \quad \forall \varepsilon > 0 \Rightarrow f \equiv 0$.

Problem 3

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Since the integrals $\int_0^1 f(x) dx$, $\int_0^1 x f(x) dx$ are known and we are looking for a lower bound of $\int_0^1 f^2(x) dx$ we will try the following:

$$\int_0^1 (f(x) - \alpha x - \beta)^2 dx \geq 0 \Rightarrow \int_0^1 f^2(x) dx - 2 \int_0^1 (\alpha x f(x) + \beta f(x)) dx + \int_0^1 (\alpha x + \beta)^2 dx \geq 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$\int_0^1 f^2(x) dx \geq 2\alpha + 2\beta - \frac{(\alpha + \beta)^3 - \beta^3}{3\alpha} = -\frac{\alpha^2}{3} - \alpha\beta - \beta^2 + 2\alpha + 2\beta$$

We will now maximize the right hand side with respect to α, β

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha} \left(-\frac{\alpha^2}{3} - \alpha\beta - \beta^2 + 2\alpha + 2\beta \right) &= 0 \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} \left(-\frac{\alpha^2}{3} - \alpha\beta - \beta^2 + 2\alpha + 2\beta \right) &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \left. \begin{aligned} -\frac{2\alpha}{3} - \beta + 2 &= 0 \\ -\alpha - 2\beta + 2 &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{3} & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\frac{2}{3} \cdot 2 - 1 \cdot 1} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{3} & 1 \\ -1 & \frac{2}{3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{3}} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{3} \\ -\frac{2}{3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

plugging in these values

$$\int_0^1 f^2(x) dx \geq -\frac{6^2}{3} - 6 \cdot (-2) - (-2)^2 + 2 \cdot 6 + 2 \cdot (-2) = 4$$

Problem 4

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Apply Cauchy-Schwarz twice

$$\int_0^4 (f'(x))^2 dx \cdot \int_0^4 1^2 dx \geq \left(\int_0^4 f'(x) dx \right)^2 \Rightarrow \int_0^4 f'(x) dx \cdot 4 \geq \left(\int_0^4 f'(x) dx \right)^2$$

$$\int_0^4 f'(x) dx \cdot \int_0^4 1^2 dx \geq \left(\int_0^4 f(x) dx \right)^2 \Rightarrow \int_0^4 f'(x) dx \cdot 4 \geq \left(\int_0^4 f(x) dx \right)^2$$

$$\text{hence } \frac{\left(\int_0^4 f(x) dx \right)^4}{\int_0^4 f^4(x) dx} \leq \frac{\left(4 \int_0^4 f'(x) dx \right)^2}{\int_0^4 f^4(x) dx} \leq 4^2 \frac{4 \int_0^4 f'(x) dx}{\int_0^4 f^4(x) dx} = 64$$

We could instead apply Hölder's inequality:

$$\left(\int_0^4 |f(x)|^4 dx \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \left(\int_0^4 1^q dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \geq \int_0^4 |f(x)| \cdot 1 dx \Rightarrow$$

$$\left(\int_0^4 f^4(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \cdot 4^{\frac{1}{q}} \geq \int_0^4 |f(x)| dx \geq \left| \int_0^4 f(x) dx \right| \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{\left(\int_0^4 f(x) dx \right)^4}{\int_0^4 f^4(x) dx} \leq 4^{\frac{4}{q}}, \quad \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 \Rightarrow q = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\text{So far } \frac{\left(\int_0^4 f(x) dx \right)^4}{\int_0^4 f^4(x) dx} \leq 64, \quad 64 \text{ is an upper bound}$$

This is in fact the maximum value, since equality in C-S, Hölder inequality holds when $f(x) = c \cdot 1 = c$ and by substituting $f(x) = c$ the expression attains the value 64.

Comment: Notice that applying Hölder's inequality solves the problem for any exponent (not only 4), whereas repeated applications of the C-S inequality works out only when the exponent is a power of 2.

Problem 5

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First think of the graph of f .

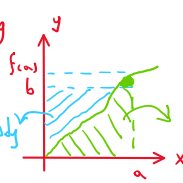
$f(x)=y \Leftrightarrow f^{-1}(y)=x$ which means that by exchanging the x, y axis we get the graph of f^{-1}

The figure on the right shows that the sum of the two integrals is larger than the area of a rectangle with sides a, b .

This is exactly what we want to prove, let's make our idea precise:

$$\int_0^a f(x) dx + \int_0^b f^{-1}(y) dy \stackrel{y=f(x)}{\underset{dy=f'(x)dx}{=}} \int_0^a f(x) dx + \int_{f^{-1}(0)}^{f^{-1}(b)} x f'(x) dx =$$

$$\int_0^a f(x) dx + \int_0^{f^{-1}(b)} x f'(x) dx = \int_0^{f^{-1}(b)} f(x) dx + \int_{f^{-1}(b)}^a f(x) dx + \int_0^{f^{-1}(b)} x f'(x) dx =$$



$$\int_0^{f^{-1}(b)} (f(x) + x f'(x)) dx + \int_{f^{-1}(b)}^a f(x) dx \stackrel{f \uparrow \Leftrightarrow f^{-1} \uparrow}{>} x f(x) \Big|_0^{f^{-1}(b)} + \int_{f^{-1}(b)}^a b dx =$$

$$f^{-1}(b) < x < a$$

$$b < f(x) < f(a)$$

$$x f(x) \Big|_0^{f^{-1}(b)} + b x \Big|_{f^{-1}(b)}^a = b f^{-1}(b) + ab - b f^{-1}(b) = ab$$

If f is merely strictly increasing (monotonicity implies integrability), according to Lebesgue's theorem, f is differentiable on $(0, a)$ except for a set of measure 0. Hence our proof still works out by excluding this set when integrating.

Problem 6

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First we find a closed form for Dirichlet's kernel

$$D_N(\theta) = \sum_{n=-N}^N e^{in\theta} = e^{-iN\theta} \sum_{n=-N}^N e^{i(n+N)\theta} = e^{-iN\theta} \sum_{n=0}^{2N} e^{in\theta} = e^{-iN\theta} \frac{1 - e^{i(2N+1)\theta}}{1 - e^{i\theta}} = \frac{e^{-i(N+\frac{1}{2})\theta}}{e^{-i\frac{\theta}{2}}} \frac{1 - e^{i(2N+1)\theta}}{1 - e^{i\theta}} = \frac{e^{-i(N+\frac{1}{2})\theta} - e^{-i(N+\frac{1}{2})\theta + i(2N+1)\theta}}{e^{-i\frac{\theta}{2}} - e^{i\frac{\theta}{2}}} = \frac{\sin(N+\frac{1}{2})\theta}{\sin\frac{\theta}{2}} \quad \forall N \in \mathbb{N}$$

We now need to find an upper and a lower bound for its norm

$$\frac{1}{2n} \int_{-n}^n |D_N(\theta)| d\theta = \frac{1}{n} \int_0^n \frac{|\sin(N+\frac{1}{2})\theta|}{\sin\frac{\theta}{2}} d\theta = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \int_{\frac{k}{N}}^{\frac{k+1}{N}} \frac{|\sin(N+\frac{1}{2})\theta|}{\sin\frac{\theta}{2}} d\theta \quad \varphi = \theta - \frac{k}{N}$$

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \int_0^{\frac{1}{N}} \frac{|\sin(N+\frac{1}{2})(\varphi + \frac{k}{N})|}{\sin\frac{\varphi + \frac{k}{N}}{2}} d\varphi = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \int_0^{\frac{1}{N}} \frac{|\sin(N+\frac{1}{2})(\varphi + \frac{k}{N})|}{\sin\frac{\varphi + \frac{k}{N}}{2}} d\varphi \geq$$

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \int_0^{\frac{1}{N}} \frac{|\sin(N+\frac{1}{2})(\varphi + \frac{k}{N})|}{\frac{\varphi + \frac{k}{N}}{2}} d\varphi \geq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \int_0^{\frac{1}{N}} \frac{2}{\frac{k+1}{N}} |\sin(N+\frac{1}{2})(\varphi + \frac{k}{N})| d\varphi =$$

$$\frac{2N}{n^2} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \frac{1}{k+1} \int_0^{\frac{1}{N}} |\sin(N+\frac{1}{2})(\varphi + \frac{k}{N})| d\varphi =$$

$$\text{since } (N+\frac{1}{2})\varphi + \frac{k}{2N} \leq n \Leftrightarrow \varphi \leq \frac{2N-k}{(N+\frac{1}{2})2N} = \varphi_k < \frac{n}{N+\frac{1}{2}} < \frac{n}{N}$$

$$\frac{2N}{n^2} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \frac{1}{k+1} \left(\int_0^{\varphi_k} \sin((N+\frac{1}{2})\varphi + \frac{k}{2N}) d\varphi - \int_{\varphi_k}^{\frac{1}{N}} \sin((N+\frac{1}{2})\varphi + \frac{k}{2N}) d\varphi \right) =$$

$$\frac{2N}{n^2} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \left(\frac{1}{k+1} \left[-\frac{1}{N+\frac{1}{2}} \cos((N+\frac{1}{2})\varphi + \frac{k}{2N}) \right]_0^{\varphi_k} - \left[-\frac{1}{N+\frac{1}{2}} \cos((N+\frac{1}{2})\varphi + \frac{k}{2N}) \right]_{\varphi_k}^{\frac{1}{N}} \right) =$$

$$\frac{2N}{n^2(N+\frac{1}{2})} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \frac{1}{k+1} \left(\cos\frac{k}{2N} - \cos n - \cos n + \cos((N+\frac{1}{2})\frac{1}{N} + \frac{k}{2N}) \right) =$$

$$\frac{2N}{n^2(N+\frac{1}{2})} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \frac{1}{k+1} \left(2 + \cos\frac{k}{2N} - \cos\frac{k+1}{2N} \right) > \frac{4N}{n^2(N+\frac{1}{2})} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \frac{1}{k+1} = \frac{4N}{n^2(N+\frac{1}{2})} \log N =$$

$$\frac{4N+2-2}{n^2(N+\frac{1}{2})} \log N = \frac{4}{n^2} \log N - \frac{2}{n^2} \left(\frac{\log N}{N+\frac{1}{2}} \right) \rightarrow \text{bounded}$$

We previously used $1 + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{N} > \log N$

Now for the upper bound notice

$$\frac{\sin(N+\frac{1}{2})\theta}{\sin\theta} = \frac{\sin N\theta \cdot \cos\frac{\theta}{2} + \cos N\theta \sin\frac{\theta}{2}}{\sin\frac{\theta}{2}} = \frac{\sin N\theta}{\tan\frac{\theta}{2}} + \cos N\theta$$

$$\frac{1}{2n} \int_{-n}^n |D_N(\theta)| d\theta = \frac{1}{n} \int_0^n \left| \frac{\sin(N+\frac{1}{2})\theta}{\sin\frac{\theta}{2}} \right| d\theta \leq \frac{1}{n} \left(\int_0^n \left| \frac{\sin N\theta}{\tan\frac{\theta}{2}} \right| d\theta + \int_0^n |\cos N\theta| d\theta \right)$$

$$\text{here } \int_0^n |\cos N\theta| d\theta \leq \int_0^n d\theta = n$$

$$\text{and } \int_0^n \left| \frac{\sin N\theta}{\tan\frac{\theta}{2}} \right| d\theta \leq \tan x > x, x \in [0, \frac{n}{2}) \int_0^n \frac{|\sin N\theta|}{\frac{\theta}{2}} d\theta =$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \int_{\frac{k}{N}}^{\frac{k+1}{N}} \frac{|\sin N\theta|}{\frac{\theta}{2}} d\theta + \int_0^{\frac{1}{N}} \frac{|\sin N\theta|}{\frac{\theta}{2}} d\theta \quad \theta > \frac{k}{N} \leq \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \int_{\frac{k}{N}}^{\frac{k+1}{N}} \frac{|\sin N\theta|}{\frac{k}{N}} d\theta + \int_0^{\frac{1}{N}} 2N d\theta =$$

$$\frac{2N}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \frac{1}{k} \int_{\frac{k}{N}}^{\frac{k+1}{N}} |\sin N\theta| d\theta + 2n = \frac{2N}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \frac{1}{k} \int_0^{\frac{1}{N}} |\sin N(\varphi + \frac{k}{N})| d\varphi + 2n =$$

$$\frac{2N}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \frac{1}{k} \int_0^{\frac{1}{N}} |\sin(N\varphi + kn)| d\varphi + 2n = \frac{2N}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \frac{1}{k} \int_0^{\frac{1}{N}} |\sin(N\varphi)| d\varphi + 2n =$$

$$\frac{2N}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \frac{1}{k} \int_0^{\frac{1}{N}} \sin N\varphi d\varphi + 2n = \frac{2N}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \frac{1}{k} \left(-\frac{\cos N\varphi}{N} \right) \Big|_0^{\frac{1}{N}} + 2n = \frac{2N}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \frac{1}{k} \frac{2}{N} + 2n =$$

$$\frac{4}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \frac{1}{k} + 2n < \frac{4}{n} \log N + 2n$$

$$\text{Combining the above results } \frac{1}{2n} \int_{-n}^n |D_N(\theta)| d\theta \leq \frac{4}{n^2} \log N + 3$$

$$\text{Finally } \frac{4}{n^2} \log N - B \leq \frac{1}{2n} \int_{-n}^n |D_N(\theta)| d\theta \leq \frac{4}{n^2} \log N + 3 \Rightarrow$$

$$\int_{-n}^n |D_N(\theta)| d\theta = \frac{4}{n^2} \log N + O(1)$$

Note that we used the inequality $1 + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{N-1} < \log N$

(this inequality is inverted when we also add $\frac{1}{N}$)