

Lesson 31 Integrable functions on $\mathbb{R}$

change: HWK 6 due
Tues at 11:00pm

EX: $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{x} dx = \lim_{A \rightarrow -\infty} \int_A^0 \frac{\sin x}{x} dx + \lim_{B \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^B \frac{\sin x}{x} dx$

but $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| \frac{\sin x}{x} \right| dx = \infty$ (Conditionally convergent)

Defⁿ f is absolutely integrable if $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f| dx < \infty$.

Lemma: If f is absolutely integrable, then it is

integrable: $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f dx = \lim_{A \rightarrow -\infty} \int_A^0 f(x) dx + \lim_{B \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^B f(x) dx$

Important fact: If f is absolutely integrable, then

$$\int_B^{\infty} f dx \text{ and } \int_B^{\infty} |f| dx \text{ both } \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } B \rightarrow \infty.$$

Same for $\int_{-\infty}^A$ version as $A \rightarrow -\infty$.

Pf: Similar to $\left(\sum a_n \text{ exists} \right) \Rightarrow a_n \rightarrow 0, n \rightarrow \infty$.

$$\int_a^{\infty} |f(x)| dx = \underbrace{\int_a^B |f(x)| dx}_{\xrightarrow{B \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^{\infty} |f| dx} + \underbrace{\int_B^{\infty} |f| dx}_{\text{must } \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } B \rightarrow \infty}$$

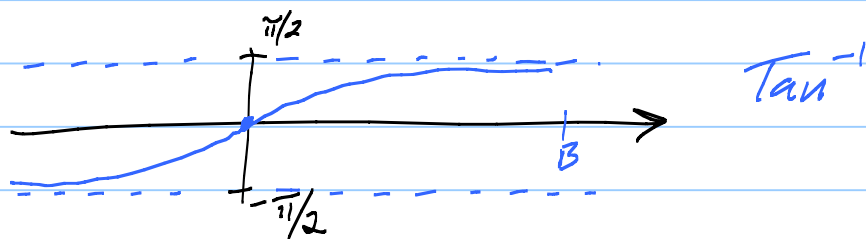
Note $\left| \int_B^{\infty} f dx \right| \leq \int_B^{\infty} |f| dx \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } B \rightarrow \infty$.

Stein: $\mathcal{M}(\mathbb{R}) = \text{fns of moderate decrease on } \mathbb{R}$.

[Note: We will always assume our fns f are piecewise continuous.]

$$\mathcal{M}(\mathbb{R}) = \left\{ f : f \text{ continuous and } \exists M > 0, C > 0 \text{ such that } |f(x)| \leq \frac{C}{1+x^2} \text{ when } |x| > M \right\}$$

Note: $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx = \lim_{B \rightarrow \infty} \tan^{-1} x \Big|_0^B = \frac{\pi}{2} - 0 = \frac{\pi}{2}$



Basic facts

1) $f \mapsto \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f dx$ is a linear operator. $f \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{R})$

$$2) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x+h) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx$$

$$3) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(kx) dx = \frac{1}{k} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx$$

$$4) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(x+h) - f(x)| dx \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } h \rightarrow 0.$$

Pf of 4: Given $\varepsilon > 0$, $\exists R > 0$ such that

$$\int_{|x| > R-1} |f| dx < \frac{\varepsilon}{4}, \quad \text{Assume } |h| < 1.$$

Now $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(x+h) - f(x)| dx =$

$$\underbrace{\int_{-R}^R |f(x+h) - f(x)| dx}_{\text{Use uniform continuity of } f \text{ on } [-R, R]. \text{ Can make}} + \underbrace{\int_{|x| > R} |f(x+h) - f(x)| dx}_{< \int_{|x| > R} |f(x+h)| dx}$$

Use uniform continuity of f on $[-R, R]$. Can make $\int_{-R}^R < \frac{\epsilon}{4}$ if h is so small that $|f(x+h) - f(x)| < \frac{\epsilon/4}{2R}$ on $[-R, R]$.

$$< \int_{|x| > R} |f(x+h)| dx + \int_{|x| > R} |f(x)| dx$$

both $< \epsilon/4$ by choice of R and fact that $h < 1$.

Cool thing about Fourier transform:

$\mathcal{F}[e^{-x^2}]$ is "basically" itself.

Why: $\mathcal{F}[e^{-x^2}] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2} e^{-isx} dx = F(s)$

Calculate $F'(s) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2} \frac{d}{ds} (e^{-isx}) dx$

↑ safe! because $e^{-x^2} \rightarrow 0$ so rapidly at $\pm\infty$.

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} -ix e^{-x^2} e^{-isx} dx$$

etc., etc.

... $F'(s) = -\frac{1}{2}s F(s)$ Linear ODE!

$F'(s) + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}s}_{P(s)} F(s) = 0$ Int. factor $u = e^{\int \frac{1}{2}s ds}$
 $u = e^{s^2/4}$
 ↑ 1, standard form ✓

$e^{s^2/4} \cdot [F' + \frac{1}{2} F] = 0$
 $= \frac{d}{ds} [e^{s^2/4} \cdot F]$

So $e^{s^2/4} \cdot F(s) \equiv C$, a const.

$F(s) = C e^{-s^2/4}$

Plug in $s=0$ to get C .

$F(0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2} e^{-i \cdot 0 \cdot x} dx = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = C$
 $= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx = \sqrt{\pi}$

So $\mathcal{F}[e^{-x^2}] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-s^2/4}$

Books: $\mathcal{F}[f] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-i s x} dx$

engineers: s angular frequencies

Stein: $\mathcal{F}[f] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-i \underbrace{2\pi}_{\text{engineers: } 2\pi \text{ Hertz}} s x} dx$

Stein's choice makes many formulas cleaner.

Especially, $\mathcal{W}_{\hat{f}}[e^{-\pi x^2}] = e^{-\pi s^2}$

Plancherel identity: $\|f\|^2 = \|\hat{f}\|^2$