

Practice Problems

1. Prove that for the double integral

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{x^2 - y^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} dx dy$$

both repeated integrals exist, but that they are not equal. Why is there no contradiction with Fubini's theorem?

2. Verify Lusin's theorem for the function  $f(x) = \arcsin(1/x^2), x \in (0, 1]$ .  
 3. Use Fubini's theorem and the relation

$$\frac{1}{x} = \int_0^\infty e^{-xt} dt \quad (x > 0)$$

to prove that

$$\lim_{A \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^A \frac{\sin x}{x} dx = \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

4. For which values of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , the function  $f(x) = x^\alpha(\sin x)^\beta$  is Lebesgue integrable on  $(0, 1]$ ?  
 5. Let  $f \in C^1([a, b])$ , and let  $f(a) = f(b) = 0$ . Show that

$$\int_a^b |f(x)|^2 dx \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{\pi^2} \int_a^b |f'(x)|^2 dx.$$

Hint: Without loss of generality (by rescaling), we may assume that  $f \in C^1([0, 1/2])$ ; extend  $f$  to  $[-1/2, 0]$  by the formula  $f(-x) = -f(x)$ , and extend to  $\mathbf{R}$  by periodicity. Show that the resulting function is in  $C^1(\mathbf{T}^1)$ , and apply the Parseval identity.

6. For  $n \geq 0$ , let

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 2^{2n}, & 2^{-n} \leq x \leq 2^{-n+1}, 2^{-n} \leq y < 2^{-n+1}; \\ -2^{2n+1}, & 2^{-n-1} \leq x \leq 2^{-n}, 2^{-n} \leq y < 2^{-n+1}; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Show that iterated integrals exist but are not equal to each other.

7. Give an example of a sequence of functions  $f_n : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  such that

- a)  $f_n(x) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , for all  $x \in [0, 1]$ .
- b)  $f_n$  converges strongly to 0 in  $L^1([0, 1])$ ;
- c)  $f_n$  does not converge strongly to 0 in  $L^2([0, 1])$ .

8. Consider the triangle  $\Delta$  in  $L^2([0, 1])$  with vertices at the functions  $1, x, 6x^2$ . Find the angle at the vertex 1, and determine the center and the radius of the circumscribed circle of  $\Delta$ .

9. Let  $f \in L^2([-\pi, \pi])$ , and  $f(x + \pi) = f(x)$ . What can you say about Fourier coefficients of  $f$ ?

10. Prove that the set of points at which a sequence of measurable real-valued functions converges to a finite limit is measurable.

11. Let  $0 < \alpha \leq \beta < \infty$ . For which values of  $p$  the function  $f(x) = 1/(x^\alpha + x^\beta)$  belongs to  $L^p((0, \infty), dx)$ ?

**12.** Let  $1/p + 1/q + 1/r = 1$ , where  $p, q, r > 0$ . Let  $f \in L^p(X, \mu), g \in L^q(X, \mu), h \in L^r(X, \mu)$ . Prove that  $fgh \in L^1(X, \mu)$  and that

$$\|fgh\|_1 \leq \|f\|_p \cdot \|g\|_q \cdot \|h\|_r.$$

**13.** Let  $f \in L^\infty([0, 1]), \|f\|_\infty > 0$ . Let  $\alpha_n = \int_0^1 |f(x)|^n dx$ . Show that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\alpha_{n+1}}{\alpha_n} = \|f\|_\infty.$$

**14.**

a) Let  $1 < p < \infty$ , and let  $f, g \in L^p(X, \mu), \|f\|_p = \|g\|_p = 1, f \neq g$ . Prove that  $\|(f+g)/2\|_p < 1$ ; in other words, the unit ball in  $L^p(X, \mu)$  is *strictly convex*.

b) Prove that a) fails in  $L^1(X, \mu)$ .

**15.** Prove that  $\lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^a (\sin(x)/x) dx$  exists, but that  $\sin(x)/x$  is not Lebesgue integrable on  $[0, \infty)$ .

**16.** Prove that a system of *Haar functions*

$$\phi_{m,n}(x) = \begin{cases} 2^{m/2}, & x \in [(n-1)/2^m, (n-1/2)/2^m], \\ -2^{m/2}, & x \in [(n-1/2)/2^m, n/2^m], \\ 0, & x \notin [(n-1)/2^m, n/2^m]. \end{cases}$$

forms an orthonormal basis of  $L_2([0, 1], dx)$ .

**17.** Let  $D_N$  denote the  $N$ -th Dirichlet kernel,  $D_N(t) = \sum_{n=-N}^N e^{int}$ . Prove that its  $L^1$  norm satisfies

$$\|D_N\|_1 \geq c \log N.$$

**18.** Compute the Fourier series of the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - |x|, & |x| \leq 1 \\ 0, & 1 < |x| \leq \pi. \end{cases}$$

**19.** Let  $f \in L^1(\mathbf{T})$ , and  $m > 0$ . Let  $g(t) := f(mt)$ . Show that

$$\hat{g}(m) = \begin{cases} \hat{f}(n/m), & \text{if } m|n; \\ 0, & \text{if } m \nmid n. \end{cases}$$

**20 (optional).** Let  $f \in L^1(\mathbf{T}), g \in L^\infty(\mathbf{T})$ . Show that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x)g(nx)dx = \hat{f}(0)\hat{g}(0).$$

**21 (optional).** Let  $f \in L^1(\mathbf{T})$ . Define the operator  $T : L^1(\mathbf{T}) \rightarrow L^1(\mathbf{T})$  by  $T(g) = f * g$ . Show that  $\|T\|_{op} = \|f\|_{L^1}$ . Hint: take  $g_n = K_n$  to be the  $n$ -th Fejer kernel.

**22.** Let  $f \in \text{Lip}_\alpha(\mathbf{T}), 0 < \alpha < 1$ . Show that

$$|\sigma_n(f, x) - f(x)| \leq C/n^\alpha,$$

where  $\sigma_n(f, x) = (S_0(f, x) + \dots + S_n(f, x))/(n+1) = (f * K_n)(x)$  denotes the convolution of  $f$  with the  $n$ -th Fejer kernel. Recall that  $f \in \text{Lip}_\alpha(\mathbf{T})$  if  $|f(x+y) - f(x)| < K|y|^\alpha$ , for some fixed  $K$  and all  $|y| \leq \pi$ .

**23 (optional).**  $f$  is *analytic* on  $\mathbf{T}$  if  $f \in C^\infty(\mathbf{T})$  and there exists  $0 < R < \infty$  such that  $\sup_x |f^{(n)}(x)| \leq n! \cdot R^n$ . You can assume without proof that such  $f$  can be represented by convergent Taylor series. Show that there exists  $a > 0, K > 0$  such that

$$|\hat{f}(n)| \leq K e^{-a|n|}.$$