

Lesson 33 Fourier inversion!

Practice problems for Exam 2
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$$f(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(s) e^{i2\pi s x} ds \quad \text{where} \quad \hat{f}(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-i2\pi s x} dx$$

for $f \in \mathcal{S}$: $\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |f^{(n)}(x) x^m| < \infty$ for each m, n

(Same as $f^{(n)}(x) x^m \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow \pm\infty \forall m, n$)

Loose end from Lesson 32. $\varphi(x) = e^{-\pi x^2}$ "bump fcn"

Forgot to mention $\hat{\varphi}(s)$ is real valued

$$\hat{\varphi}(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \underbrace{e^{-\pi x^2}}_{\text{even}} \underbrace{e^{-i2\pi s x}}_{\substack{\cos(2\pi s x) - i \sin(2\pi s x) \\ \text{even} \quad \quad \text{odd}}} dx$$

$$= 2 \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\pi x^2} \cos(2\pi s x) dx \quad \checkmark$$

Real ODE argument valid: $\hat{\varphi}(s) = e^{-\pi s^2}$

Note: $|f(x) x^2| < M \Rightarrow |f(x)| < \frac{M}{x^2}$ for $|x| > 1$.

So $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f| dx < \infty$.

Fact: $\mathcal{F}[\mathcal{F}] = \text{id}$. $\mathcal{F}: \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$

Why: $|\hat{f}(s)| = \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \underbrace{e^{-i2\pi s x}}_{\text{modulus} = 1} dx \right| \leq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(x)| \cdot 1 dx < \infty$

So $\hat{f}$ is bndd.

Key: Facts $\mathcal{F}[xf(x)] = c \hat{f}'(s)$

$$c = \frac{1}{-2\pi i}$$

$$\mathcal{F}[f'(x)] = 2\pi i s \hat{f}(s)$$

Repeat arg above to see $\hat{f}^{(n)}(s) \leq m$ bndd $\forall m, n$

Lemma: $f \in \mathcal{S}$. Then $\varphi_\varepsilon * f \rightarrow f$ uniformly on $\mathbb{R}$.

[So $(\varphi_\varepsilon * f)(0) \rightarrow f(0)$ $\leftarrow$ all we need]

Pf: "Good Kernel" argument:

$$(\varphi_\varepsilon * f)(x) - f(x) = \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi_\varepsilon(x-t) f(t) dt}_{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi_\varepsilon(t) f(x-t) dt} - f(x) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi_\varepsilon(t) dt$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi_\varepsilon(t) [f(x-t) - f(x)] dt$$

etc. ...

Lemma $f, g \in \mathcal{S}$: $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \hat{g}(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(x) g(x) dx$

Pf: Fubini:
on $f(x)g(y)e^{-i2\pi xy}$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \left(\underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(y) e^{-i2\pi xy} dy}_{\hat{g}(x)} \right) dx$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(y) \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-i 2\pi x y} dx}_{\hat{f}(y)} dy$$

Last: change dummy variable from y to x here. ✓

Fourier inversion theorem: $f(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(s) e^{i 2\pi s x} ds$

PF: Step 1: True for $x=0$:

$$f(0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(s) ds$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \underbrace{\varphi_{\varepsilon}(x)}_{\text{want} = \hat{g}} dx = (\varphi_{\varepsilon} * f)(0) \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} f(0)$$

Easy to guess g : $\varphi(\varepsilon x) = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \underbrace{\hat{\varphi}(s/\varepsilon)}_{\varphi_{\varepsilon}}$

So $g(x) = \varphi(\varepsilon x) = e^{-\pi \varepsilon^2 x^2}$

$$f(0) \leftarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \varphi_{\varepsilon}(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \hat{g}(x) dx \stackrel{\text{Lemma}}{=} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(x) g(x) dx$$

as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(x) e^{-\pi \varepsilon^2 x^2} dx$$

Claim:

$$\rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(x) dx$$

Why: $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} = \int_{-R}^R \hat{f}(x) \underbrace{e^{-\pi \varepsilon^2 x^2}}_{\substack{\rightarrow 1 \\ \text{unif} \\ \text{as } \varepsilon \rightarrow 0 \\ \text{on } [-R, R]}} dx + \int_{|x| > R} \dots dx$

$\rightarrow \int_{-R}^R \hat{f}(x) dx \approx \int_{-\infty}^{\infty}$ (can make very small)

Philosophy: Enforces: true on bump fns $\Rightarrow$ true on $\mathcal{S}$.

Finally, show (true for $x=0$) $\Rightarrow$ true for any x .

Key: $\mathcal{F}[f(\cdot+h)] = e^{2\pi i s h} \hat{f}(s)$

Let $F(y) = f(y+x)$

$f(x) = F(0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{F}(s) ds = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{2\pi i s x} \hat{f}(s) ds$

Done!

Cor: $\mathcal{F}: \mathcal{S} \xrightarrow[\text{onto}]{1-1} \mathcal{S}$

Cor: Plancherel identity: $\|f\| = \|\hat{f}\|$, $f \in \mathcal{S}$

where $\|g\| = \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |g(x)|^2 dx \right)^{1/2} \leftarrow L^2 \text{ norm on } \mathbb{R}$

$\sim$ Parseval's for F.T.

Pf: $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f \hat{g} dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f} g dx$

Hmmm. What if $\hat{g} = \bar{\hat{f}}$?

$$\text{Then } g(s) = \frac{1}{f} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \overline{f(x)} \underbrace{e^{i2\pi s x}}_{e^{-i2\pi s x}} dx$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-i2\pi s x} dx$$

$$= \overline{\hat{f}(s)}$$

$$\text{Get } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \underbrace{\overline{f(x)}}_{\hat{g}} dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(s) \underbrace{\overline{\hat{f}(s)}}_g ds \quad \checkmark$$

Huge consequence: Can extend $\hat{\cdot}$ from $\mathcal{A}$ to $L^2(\mathbb{R})$!

Remark: $\underbrace{C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R})}_{\substack{\text{compactly supported} \\ \text{dense subset of } L^2(\mathbb{R})}} \subset \mathcal{A} \subset L^2(\mathbb{R})$

Given $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$, take seq $\psi_n \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R})$, $\psi_n \xrightarrow{L^2} f$

Show $\hat{\psi}_n \rightarrow \text{something}, F$.

Define $F = \hat{f}$. See $\|f\|^2 = \|\hat{f}\|^2$.

Remark: Easy to show Fourier inversion on $\mathcal{A} \Rightarrow$ on $\mathcal{M}(\mathbb{R})$