

PSA: Stieltjes Integral

Let μ be a monotonic function on $I = [a, b]$.

A1) For any pair of partitions $\sigma, \sigma' \in \mathcal{S}(I)$,

$$\underline{S}_\mu(f; \sigma) \leq \overline{S}_\mu(f; \sigma').$$

Proof: Suppose $\mathcal{C} = \sigma \cup \sigma'$, then

$$\underline{S}_\mu(f; \sigma) \leq \underline{S}_\mu(f; \mathcal{C}) \leq \overline{S}_\mu(f; \mathcal{C}) \leq \overline{S}_\mu(f; \sigma').$$

A2) For any $\rho \in C([a, b])$, $\rho \geq 0$, $\mu(x) = \int_a^x \rho(t) dt$. Prove that for any $f \in \mathcal{R}([a, b])$, $f \in \mathcal{R}([a, b]; \mu)$ and

$$\int_a^b f d\mu = \int_a^b f(x) \rho(x) dx.$$

Proof: Consider any $\mathcal{C} = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$, then if we denote

$m_i = \inf_{x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]} f(x)$, $u_i = \inf_{x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]} \rho(x)$, $v_i = \inf_{x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]} f(x)\rho(x)$, $M = \sup_{x \in [a, b]} f(x)$, $v_i - m_i u_i \leq f(t)\rho(t) - f(t)u_i \leq M\omega_\rho(x_{i-1}, x_i)$. Hence for any $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a $\delta > 0$, for any $\max\{x_i - x_{i-1}\} < \delta$, $\sup_{x, y \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]} |\rho(x) - \rho(y)| < \varepsilon$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{S}(f\rho; \mathcal{C}) &= \sum_{k=1}^n v_k(x_k - x_{k-1}) \leq \sum_{k=1}^n u_k m_k(x_k - x_{k-1}) + M\varepsilon(b - a) \\ &\leq M\varepsilon(b - a) + \sum_{k=1}^n m_k \int_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} \rho(t) dt = M\varepsilon(b - a) + \underline{S}_\mu(f; \mathcal{C}). \end{aligned}$$

The other side is similar, hence $\sup\{\underline{S}_\mu(f; \mathcal{C})\} = \inf\{\overline{S}_\mu(f; \mathcal{C})\}$ so $f \in \mathcal{R}([a, b]; \mu)$ and

$$\int_a^b f d\mu = \int_a^b f(x) \rho(x) dx.$$

A3) Prove that $\mathcal{R}(I; \mu)$ is a linear space on \mathbb{R} and the integration operator

$$\int_a^b \cdot d\mu : \mathcal{R}(I; \mu) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f \mapsto \int_a^b f d\mu.$$

is linear.

Proof: Since $\underline{S}_\mu(\cdot; \mathcal{C})$ and $\overline{S}_\mu(\cdot; \mathcal{C})$ is linear for any \mathcal{C} , $\mathcal{R}(I; \mu)$ is clearly a linear space on \mathbb{R} , and $\int_a^b \cdot d\mu$ is a linear operator.

A4) Suppose $f_1, f_2 \in \mathcal{R}(I; \mu)$. If the any $x \in I$, $f_1(x) \leq f_2(x)$, then

$$\int_a^b f_1 d\mu \leq \int_a^b f_2 d\mu.$$

Proof: By A3), we can assume $f_1 = 0$. Then for any \mathcal{C} , $\underline{S}_\mu(f; \mathcal{C}) \geq 0$ since $f \geq 0$, hence

$$\int_a^b f d\mu = \sup\{\underline{S}_\mu(f; \mathcal{C})\} \geq 0.$$

A5) If $f \in \mathcal{R}([a, b]; \mu)$, then for any $c \in [a, b]$, $f|_{[a, c]}$ and $f|_{[c, b]}$ are both Stieltjes integrable and

$$\int_a^b f d\mu = \int_a^c f d\mu + \int_c^b f d\mu.$$

Proof: For any partition σ , let $\sigma' = \sigma \cup \{c\}$, then σ' can be split into two partitions of the intervals $[a, c]$ and $[c, b]$: $\sigma' = \sigma_1 \cup \sigma_2$, such that $\underline{S}_\mu(f; \sigma') = \underline{S}_\mu(f; \sigma_1) + \underline{S}_\mu(f; \sigma_2)$ and $\overline{S}_\mu(f; \sigma') = \overline{S}_\mu(f; \sigma_1) + \overline{S}_\mu(f; \sigma_2)$. Hence

$$\inf \underline{S}_\mu(f; \sigma_1) + \inf \underline{S}_\mu(f; \sigma_2) \leq \inf \underline{S}_\mu(f; \sigma') \leq \sup \overline{S}_\mu(f; \sigma') \leq \sup \overline{S}_\mu(f; \sigma_1) + \sup \overline{S}_\mu(f; \sigma_2).$$

Therefore

$$\int_a^b f d\mu = \int_a^c f d\mu + \int_c^b f d\mu.$$

A6) If $f, g \in \mathcal{R}([a, b]; \mu)$, then $f \cdot g \in \mathcal{R}([a, b]; \mu)$.

Proof: Same as in the case of the Riemann integral.

A7) Define Stieltjes integral on the interval $[0, \infty)$: Suppose $f \in C([0, \infty))$ is continuous and bounded, define

$$\int_0^\infty f d\mu = \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^M f d\mu.$$

Suppose $\{\alpha_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ is a sequence of positive real numbers and $\sum_{n=1}^\infty \alpha_n$ converges, define the monotonic function $\mu = \sum_{n=1}^\infty \alpha_n \mathbf{1}_{\geq n}$, then

$$\int_1^\infty f d\mu = \sum_{n=1}^\infty \alpha_n f(n).$$

Proof: Note that

$$\mu(x+0) - \mu(x-0) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \notin \mathbb{Z}, \\ \alpha_x, & x \in \mathbb{Z}. \end{cases}$$

Hence

$$\int_0^N f d\mu = \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} f(n) \alpha_n.$$

By definition,

$$\int_0^\infty f d\mu = \sum_{n=1}^\infty \alpha_n f(n).$$

A8) $f, g \in \mathcal{R}([a, b]; \mu)$ are real-valued Riemann integrable functions. Suppose for any $x \in [a, b]$, $g(x) \geq 0$. Let

$$m = \inf_{x \in I} f(x), \quad M = \sup_{x \in I} f(x).$$

Then there exists $\ell \in [m, M]$ such that

$$\int_a^b fg d\mu = \ell \int_a^b g d\mu.$$

Proof: Note that $mg \leq fg \leq Mg$, and use A4).

A9) Construct a Stieltjes integral to show that Abel summation method is a special case of integration by parts.

Proof:

The Abel summation formula states that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n T_i(S_i - S_{i-1}) = T_n S_n - T_1 S_0 - \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} S_i(T_{i+1} - T_i).$$

Consider the monotonically increasing function $\mu : [0, n] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, x \mapsto T_{[x]}, \mu(0) = T_1$, and f be a polynomial such that $f(k) = S_k$ for $k = 0, 1, \dots, n$. Then

$$\int_0^n f' \mu \, dx = \sum_{k=1}^n \int_{k-1}^k f' \mu = \sum_{k=1}^n \int_{k-1}^k f'(x) T_k \, dx = \sum_{k=1}^n T_k (S_k - S_{k-1}).$$

While

$$\int_0^n f \, d\mu = \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} f(k)(\mu(k+0) - \mu(k)) = \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} S_k (T_{k+1} - T_k).$$

and

$$f\mu \Big|_0^n = T_n S_n - T_1 S_0.$$

Hence the formula is a special case of integration by parts.

PSB: Convergence of Improper Integrals

b can be ∞ .

B1) Assume $f : [a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, and for any $b^- < b$, f is integrable on $[a, b^-]$. Prove that the integral $\int_a^b f(x) \, dx$ exists iff: for any $\varepsilon > 0$, $\exists b(\varepsilon) \in (a, b)$ such that for any $b', b'' > b(\varepsilon)$, $\left| \int_{b'}^{b''} f(x) \, dx \right| < \varepsilon$.

Proof: Let

$$F(t) = \int_a^t f(x) \, dx, \forall t \in [a, b).$$

Then $\int_a^b f(x) \, dx$ exists iff $\lim_{t \rightarrow b^-} F(t)$ exists, which is equivalent to

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists b(\varepsilon) \in (a, b), \forall b', b'' > b(\varepsilon), \left| \int_{b'}^{b''} f(x) \, dx \right| = |F(b'') - F(b')| < \varepsilon.$$

B2) If $|f(x)| \leq F(x)$, $x \in [a, b)$ and $\int_a^b F(x) \, dx$ converges, then $\int_a^b f(x) \, dx$ converges.

Proof: Use B1) and

$$\left| \int_u^v f(x) \, dx \right| \leq \int_u^v F(x) \, dx.$$

B3) Prove the Dirichlet test for convergence: if $f, g : [a, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfy

- f is continuous and there exists $A > 0$, such that for any $M \geq a$,

$$\left| \int_a^M f(x) dx \right| \leq A.$$

- g is monotonic and $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} g(x) = 0$.
Then $\int_a^\infty f(x)g(x) dx$ converges.

Lemma: The Second Integral Mean Value Theorem

If f is integrable and g is monotonic and non-negative(or non-positive) on $[a, b]$, then there exists $c \in (a, b)$ such that

$$\int_a^b f(x)g(x) dx = g(a) \int_a^c f(x) dx + g(b) \int_c^b f(x) dx.$$

Proof: Assume that g is non-negative and monotonically decreasing. It is easy to see that there exists $\xi \in (a, b)$ such that

$$\int_a^b f(x)g(x) dx = g(a) \int_a^\xi f(x) dx.$$

Apply the above formula to $f(x)$ and $g(x) - g(b)$ and we get

$$\int_a^b f(x)g(x) dx = g(a) \int_a^\xi f(x) dx + g(b) \int_\xi^b f(x) dx.$$

Proof of B3): Since $\left| \int_u^v f(x) dx \right| \leq 2A$, by lemma

$$\left| \int_u^v f(x)g(x) dx \right| \leq 2A(|g(u)| + |g(v)|).$$

By B1), the integral converges.

B4) Prove the Abel test of convergence:

If $f, g : [a, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfy:

- $\int_a^\infty f(x) dx$ exists.
 - g is monotonic and g is bounded.
- Then $\int_a^\infty f(x)g(x) dx$ converges.

Proof: Suppose g is monotonically increasing, then

$$\left| \int_u^v f(x)(g(x) - g(a)) dx \right| \leq 2M \left(\left| \int_u^\xi f(x) dx \right| + \left| \int_\xi^v f(x) dx \right| \right) \rightarrow 0$$

since $\int_a^\infty f(x) dx$ converges. Therefore both $\int_a^\infty f(x)(g(x) - g(a)) dx$ and $\int_a^\infty f(x)g(a) dx$ converges, hence $\int_a^\infty f(x)g(x) dx$ converges.

B5) Determine whether the following integrals converges:

(1)

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{\log(1+x)}{x^p} dx$$

(absolutely) convergent when $1 < p < 2$, diverges when $p \leq 1$ or $p \geq 2$.

(2)

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{x^p} dx$$

Absolutely convergent when $p > 1$, conditionally convergent when $0 < p \leq 1$, diverges when $p \geq 0$.

(3)

$$\int_1^{\infty} \sin x^2 dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_1^{\infty} \frac{\sin y}{y^{1/2}} dy$$

is conditionally convergent.

(4)

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin^2 x}{x} dx$$

diverges

(5) $p, q > 0$,

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \sin^{-p} x \cos^{-q} x dx$$

Absolutely convergent when $p, q < 1$, diverges when $p \geq 1$ or $q \geq 1$.

(6)

$$\int_0^{\infty} x^p \sin(x^q) dx$$

If $q = 0$ the integral diverges. Assume $q \neq 0$ below.

$$\int_0^{\infty} x^p \sin(x^q) dx = \frac{1}{q} \int_0^{\infty} y^{(p+1)/q-1} \sin y dy.$$

Let $\alpha = \frac{p+1}{q} - 1$, then the integral

- diverges if $\alpha \leq -2$ or $\alpha \geq 0$,
- converges absolutely if $-2 < \alpha < -1$.
- converges conditionally if $-1 \leq \alpha < 0$.

(7) $q \geq 0$,

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^p \sin x}{1+x^q} dx$$

If $p \leq -2$, then the integral diverges near 0, since $x^p \sin x \sim x^{p+1}$. The integral converges (absolutely) near 0 otherwise. Assume $p > -2$ below.

If $p - q < -1$ then the integral converges absolutely when it tends to infinity, since $\frac{x^p}{1+x^q} \sim x^{p-q}$.

If $-1 \leq p - q < 0$ then the integral converges conditionally, since the integral of $(x^{p-q})'$ converges.

(8)

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{\log \sin x}{\sqrt{x}} dx &= 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} \log \sin x d\sqrt{x} \\ &= 2\sqrt{x} \log \sin x \Big|_0^{\pi/2} - 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} \sqrt{x} \cot x dx \\ &= -2 \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sin x} \cos x dx \end{aligned}$$

converges, since $\int_0^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} dx$ converges.

(9)

$$\int_e^\infty \frac{\log \log x}{\log x} \sin x \, dx = \int_1^\infty \frac{\log y}{y} e^y \sin e^y \, dy.$$

It is easy to see the integral does not converge absolutely.

Meanwhile

$$f'(x) = \left(\frac{\log \log x}{\log x} \right)' = \frac{1 - \log \log x}{(\log x)^2 x},$$

and

$$\int_e^\infty \frac{\log \log x - 1}{(\log x)^2 x} \, dx = \int_1^\infty \frac{\log y - 1}{y^2} \, dy = \int_0^\infty \frac{t - 1}{e^t} \, dt.$$

converges.

By Lagrange mean value theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{2\pi}^\infty \frac{\log \log x}{\log x} \sin x \, dx &= \sum_{n=1}^\infty \int_{2n\pi}^{(2n+1)\pi} (f(x) - f(x + \pi)) \sin x \, dx \\ &\leq \sum_{n=1}^\infty -2\pi f'(2n\pi) \leq 2\pi \int_e^\infty -f'(x) \, dx \end{aligned}$$

converges.

PSC: Oscillatory Integral

$F(t), G(t) : [1, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} G(t) = 0$. Assume that for any $t \geq 1$, $G(t) \neq 0$. If

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{F(t)}{G(t)} = 1.$$

Then we say F, G have the same order, and $F \sim G$.

Part 1

C1) $d > 0$ is a given real number. Assume $g \in C^1([0, d])$. Prove that there is a constant C , such that

$$\left| \int_0^d e^{-tx} g(x) \, dx \right| \leq \frac{C}{t}.$$

Proof: Let $C = \sup_{x \in [0, d]} |g(x)|$, then

$$\left| \int_0^d e^{-tx} g(x) \, dx \right| \leq C \int_0^d e^{-tx} \, dx = \frac{C}{t} (1 - e^{-td}) \leq \frac{C}{t}.$$

C2) Assume $d > 0$, $g \in C([0, d])$ and $g(0) \neq 0$. Prove that

$$\int_0^d e^{-tx} g(x) \, dx \sim \frac{g(0)}{t}.$$

Proof: Let $M = \sup_{x \in [0, d]} |g(x)|$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
\left| \int_0^d e^{-tx} t \frac{g(x)}{g(0)} dx - 1 \right| &= \left| \int_0^{td} e^{-u} \frac{g(u/t)}{g(0)} du - \int_0^\infty e^{-u} du \right| \\
&\leq \int_{td}^\infty e^{-u} du + \int_0^N e^{-u} \left| \frac{g(u/t)}{g(0)} - 1 \right| du + \int_N^{td} e^{-u} \left| \frac{g(u/t)}{g(0)} - 1 \right| du \\
&\leq e^{-td} + \sup_{0 \leq x \leq N/t} \left| \frac{g(x)}{g(0)} - 1 \right| + \left(\frac{M}{|g(0)|} + 1 \right) \int_N^{td} e^{-u} du \rightarrow 0.
\end{aligned}$$

(let $t \rightarrow \infty$ then let $N \rightarrow \infty$).

C3) $d > 0, g \in C([0, d]), g(0) \neq 0$. Prove that

$$\int_0^d e^{-tx^2} g(x) dx \sim \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \cdot g(0)}{2\sqrt{t}}.$$

Proof: Same as C2), let $M = \sup_{x \in [0, d]} |g(x)/g(0)|$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
\left| \int_0^d e^{-tx^2} \sqrt{t} \frac{g(x)}{g(0)} dx - \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} \right| &= \left| \int_0^{d\sqrt{t}} e^{-u^2} \frac{g(u/\sqrt{t})}{g(0)} du - \int_0^\infty e^{-u^2} du \right| \\
&\leq \int_{d\sqrt{t}}^\infty e^{-u^2} du + \int_0^N e^{-u^2} \left| \frac{g(u/\sqrt{t})}{g(0)} - 1 \right| dx + \int_N^{d\sqrt{t}} e^{-u^2} (M + 1) du.
\end{aligned}$$

which tends to 0, same as C2).

For $t \geq 1, f, \varphi \in C([a, b])$, define the function

$$F(t) = \int_a^b e^{-t\varphi(x)} f(x) dx.$$

Our goal is to study $F(t)$ when $t \rightarrow \infty$.

C4) Assume $\varphi \in C^1([a, b])$, and for any $x \in [a, b], \varphi'(x) \neq 0$. Further assume that $\varphi'(x) > 0$. Let $d = \varphi(b) - \varphi(a)$. Prove that

$$\Psi : [a, b] \rightarrow [0, d], x \mapsto \varphi(x) - \varphi(a),$$

is a continuously differentiable bijection on $[a, b]$.

Proof: φ is monotonic by $\varphi'(x) > 0$, hence Ψ is a bijection and $\Psi' = \varphi'$.

C5) Assume $\varphi \in C^1([a, b])$, and for any $x \in [a, b], \varphi'(x) \neq 0$. Prove that if $f(a) \neq 0$, then when $t \rightarrow \infty$,

$$F(t) \sim \frac{f(a)}{\varphi'(a)} \frac{e^{-t\varphi(a)}}{t}.$$

Proof: Let $g(x) = f(x)/\varphi'(x)$, and $h = (t\Psi)^{-1}$ then

$$\begin{aligned}
\left| F(t) \frac{t}{e^{-t\varphi(a)}} - \frac{f(a)}{\varphi'(a)} \right| &= \left| \int_a^b e^{-t\Psi(x)} t f(x) dx - \frac{f(a)}{\Psi'(a)} \right| = \left| \int_a^b e^{-t\Psi(x)} g(x) dt\Psi(x) - g(a) \right| \\
&= \left| \int_0^{t\Psi(b)} e^{-u} g(h(u)) du - g(h(0)) \int_0^\infty e^{-u} du \right| \\
&= |g(h(0))| \int_{t\Psi(b)}^\infty e^{-u} du + \int_0^{t\Psi(b)} e^{-u} |g(h(u)) - g(h(0))| du \\
&\quad + \int_{N\Psi(b)}^{t\Psi(b)} e^{-u} |g(h(u)) - g(h(0))| du \\
&\leq |g(a)| e^{-t\Psi(b)} + \sup_{x \in [a, \Psi^{-1}(N\Psi(b)/t)]} |g(x) - g(a)| + \int_{N\Psi(b)}^{t\Psi(b)} e^{-u} 2M du.
\end{aligned}$$

which tends to 0 since g is continuous. ($M = \sup_{x \in [a, b]} |g(x)|$).

C6) Assume that $\varphi \in C^2([a, b])$, $\varphi'(a) = 0$, $\varphi''(x) > 0$ and for any $x \in (a, b]$, $\varphi'(x) > 0$. Let $d = \sqrt{\varphi(b) - \varphi(a)}$. Prove that

$$\Psi : [a, b] \rightarrow [0, d], \quad x \mapsto \sqrt{\varphi(x) - \varphi(a)}.$$

is a continuously differentiable bijection on $[a, b]$, and calculate $\Psi'(a)$.

Proof: Trivial. $\Psi' = \frac{\varphi'}{2\Psi}$, hence

$$\Psi'(a) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} \frac{\varphi'(x)}{2\sqrt{\varphi(x) - \varphi(a)}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} \frac{\varphi''(x)}{\varphi'(x)/\sqrt{\varphi(x) - \varphi(a)}} = \sqrt{\frac{\varphi''(a)}{2}}.$$

C7) Assume $\varphi \in C^2([a, b])$, $\varphi'(a) = 0$, $\varphi''(a) > 0$. Prove that if $f(a) \neq 0$, when $t \rightarrow \infty$,

$$F(t) \sim \frac{\sqrt{\pi} f(a)}{\sqrt{2\varphi''(a)}} \frac{e^{-t\varphi(a)}}{\sqrt{t}}.$$

Proof: Let $g = f/\Psi'$, $h = (\sqrt{t}\Psi)^{-1}$, then

$$F(t) \frac{\sqrt{t}}{e^{-t\varphi(a)}} = \int_a^b e^{-t\Psi^2(x)} f(x) \sqrt{t} dx = \int_a^b e^{-t\Psi^2(x)} g(x) d\sqrt{t}\Psi(x) = \int_0^{\sqrt{t}\Psi(b)} e^{-u^2} g(h(u)) du.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
\left| F(t) \frac{\sqrt{t}}{e^{-t\varphi(a)}} - \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} g(a) \right| &= \left| \int_0^{\sqrt{t}\Psi(b)} e^{-u^2} g(h(u)) du - \int_0^\infty e^{-u^2} g(h(0)) du \right| \\
&\leq g(a) \int_{\sqrt{t}\Psi(b)}^\infty e^{-u^2} du + \int_0^{\sqrt{t}\Psi(b)} e^{-u^2} |g(h(u)) - g(h(0))| du \\
&\quad + \int_{N\Psi(b)}^{\sqrt{t}\Psi(b)} e^{-u^2} 2M du \\
&\leq g(a) e^{-\sqrt{t}\Psi(b)} + \sqrt{\pi} \sup_{x \in [a, \Psi^{-1}(N\Psi(b)/\sqrt{t})]} |g(x) - g(a)| + 2M e^{-N\Psi(b)}.
\end{aligned}$$

which tends to 0 as $t \rightarrow \infty$ and $N \rightarrow \infty$, since g is continuous.

(A much simpler solution can be given using the Laplace method)

C8) Given $f \in C((0, \infty))$, $\varphi \in C^2((0, \infty))$. Assume that

- exists a unique $a \in (0, \infty)$ such that $\varphi'(a) = 0$;
- $\varphi''(a) > 0$, $f(a) \neq 0$;
- $\int_0^\infty e^{-\varphi(x)} |f(x)| dx$ converges.

Prove that when $t \rightarrow \infty$, the function $G(t) = \int_0^\infty e^{-t\varphi(x)} f(x) dx$ satisfy

$$G(t) \sim \frac{\sqrt{2\pi}f(a)}{\sqrt{\varphi''(a)}} \frac{e^{-t\varphi(a)}}{\sqrt{t}}.$$

Proof: (Simple application of the Laplace method)

Apply C7) to the intervals $[a/2, a]$ and $[a, 2a]$, then

$$\int_{a/2}^{2a} e^{-t\varphi(x)} f(x) dx \sim \frac{\sqrt{2\pi}f(a)}{\sqrt{\varphi''(a)}} \cdot \frac{e^{-t\varphi(a)}}{\sqrt{t}}.$$

While the integral on the intervals $(0, a/2)$, $(2a, \infty)$ converges rapidly. Hence

$$G(t) \sim \frac{\sqrt{2\pi}f(a)}{\sqrt{\varphi''(a)}} \frac{e^{-t\varphi(a)}}{\sqrt{t}}.$$

C9) $\Gamma(n) = (n-1)!$.

Proof:

$$\Gamma(n+1) = \int_0^\infty t^n e^{-t} dt = - \int_0^\infty t^n de^{-t} = n \int_0^\infty t^{n-1} e^{-t} dt = n\Gamma(n).$$

C10) Prove Stirling's approximation

$$n! \sim \sqrt{2\pi} \frac{n^{n+1/2}}{e^n}.$$

Proof: Note that, by substituting $t = ns$,

$$n! = \Gamma(n+1) = \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^n dt = n^{n+1} \int_0^\infty e^{-n(s-\log s)} ds.$$

Hence

$$\frac{\Gamma(t+1)}{t^{t+1}} \sim \sqrt{2\pi} \frac{e^{-t}}{\sqrt{t}}.$$

Part 2

For $\lambda \geq 1$, $f, \varphi \in C^\infty([a, b])$, define the function

$$I(\lambda) = \int_a^b e^{i\lambda\varphi(x)} f(x) dx.$$

Our goal is to study $I(\lambda)$ when $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$.

C11) Assume that for any $x \in [a, b]$, $\varphi'(x) \neq 0$. Define the maps

$$L : C^\infty([a, b]) \rightarrow C^\infty([a, b]), h \mapsto \frac{1}{i\lambda\varphi'(x)} h'(x),$$

$$M : C^\infty([a, b]) \rightarrow C^\infty([a, b]), h \mapsto -\left(\frac{h}{i\varphi'}\right)'(x).$$

Assume that $f, g \in C^\infty([a, b])$. Prove that if there exists $c > 0$ such that for any $x \in [a, a + c] \cup [b - c, b]$, $h(x) = 0$, then M/λ is the adjoint of L :

$$\int_a^b h \cdot Lg = \frac{1}{\lambda} \int_a^b g \cdot Mh.$$

Proof: By integration of parts,

$$\int_a^b h \cdot Lg = \int_a^b \frac{h}{i\lambda\varphi'} dg = - \int_a^b g d\left(\frac{h}{i\lambda\varphi'}\right) = \frac{1}{\lambda} \int_a^b g \cdot Mh.$$

C12) Assume that for any $x \in [a, b]$, $\varphi'(x) \neq 0$ and f vanishes near a and b . prove that for any $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$, there is a constant c_n independent of λ such that

$$|I(\lambda)| \leq \frac{c_n}{\lambda^n}.$$

Proof: Let $g = e^{i\lambda\varphi}$, then $Lg = g \cdot f \in C^\infty([a, b])$ vanishes near a, b hence $M^n f$ vanishes near a, b for any $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$. Therefore

$$|I(\lambda)| = \left| \int_a^b fg \right| = \frac{1}{\lambda} \left| \int_a^b g \cdot Mf \right| = \dots = \frac{1}{\lambda^n} \left| \int_a^b g \cdot M^n f \right|.$$

so $c_n = \left| \int_a^b g \cdot M^n f \right|$ is valid.

C13) If there exists $\delta > 0$, such that for any $x \in [a, b]$, $|\varphi'(x)| \geq \delta$ and $\varphi'(x)$ is monotonic on $[a, b]$. Prove that there is a constant C_1 independent of λ, φ, a, b such that

$$\left| \int_a^b e^{i\lambda\varphi(x)} dx \right| \leq \frac{C_1}{\lambda\delta}.$$

Proof: Let $C_1 = 4$ then (since φ' maintains the same sign)

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_a^b e^{i\lambda\varphi(x)} dx \right| &= \left| \int_a^b \frac{de^{i\lambda\varphi}}{\lambda\varphi'} \right| \leq \left| \frac{e^{i\lambda\varphi}}{\lambda\varphi'} \right|_a^b + \frac{1}{\lambda} \left| \int_a^b e^{i\lambda\varphi} \frac{\varphi''}{(\varphi')^2} dx \right| \\ &\leq \frac{2}{\lambda\delta} + \frac{1}{\lambda} \int_a^b \left| \frac{\varphi''}{(\varphi')^2} \right| \\ &= \frac{2}{\lambda\delta} + \frac{1}{\lambda} \int_a^b d\frac{1}{\varphi'} \leq \frac{4}{\lambda\delta}. \end{aligned}$$

C14) Suppose for any $x \in [a, b]$, $|\varphi''(x)| \geq 1$. Prove that there is a unique $c \in [a, b]$ such that

$$|\varphi'(c)| = \inf_{x \in [a, b]} |\varphi'(x)|.$$

Further prove that for any $x \in [a, b]$,

$$|\varphi'(x)| \geq |x - c|.$$

Proof: Since $\varphi \in C^\infty([a, b])$ and $|\varphi''| \geq 1$, φ'' maintains the same sign. Assume that $\forall x \in [a, b]$, $\varphi''(x) \geq 1$, then φ' is monotonically increasing. Therefore, if $\varphi' \neq 0$, then $c \in \{a, b\}$, otherwise, c is the unique null point of φ' .

Either $\varphi'(c) = 0$ or $c = a$, when φ' maintains the same sign, so we always have $|\varphi'(x)| \geq |\varphi'(x) - \varphi'(c)|$, and

$$\forall x \in [a, b], \exists \xi \in [x, c], |\varphi'(x) - \varphi'(c)| \geq |x - c| \cdot \varphi'(\xi) \geq |x - c|.$$

Therefore $|\varphi'(x)| \geq |x - c|$.

C15) Assume that for any $x \in [a, b]$, $|\varphi''(x)| \geq 1$. Prove that there is a constant C_2 independent of λ, φ, a, b , such that

$$\left| \int_a^b e^{i\lambda\varphi(x)} dx \right| \leq \frac{C_2}{\sqrt{\lambda}}.$$

Proof: Since $\varphi \in C^\infty([a, b])$, we can assume $\varphi''(x) \geq 1$. For an arbitrary $\delta > 0$, divide the interval $[a, b]$ into two parts:

$$E_1 = \{x : |\varphi'(x)| \leq \delta\} \text{ and } E_2 = \{x : |\varphi'(x)| > \delta\}.$$

Note that $\forall x, y \in E_1$, $|\varphi'(x) - \varphi'(y)| \leq 2\delta$, but $|\varphi'(x) - \varphi'(y)| \geq \left| \int_x^y \varphi''(t) dt \right| \geq |x - y|$.

Therefore E_1 is an interval of length at most 2δ , so

$$\left| \int_{E_1} e^{i\lambda\varphi(x)} dx \right| \leq 2\delta.$$

Now consider the integral on E_2 , which is the union of one or two intervals. By C13),

$$\left| \int_{E_2} e^{i\lambda\varphi(x)} dx \right| \leq 2 \cdot \frac{4}{\lambda\delta}.$$

Therefore

$$\left| \int_a^b e^{i\lambda\varphi(x)} dx \right| \leq 2\delta + \frac{8}{\lambda\delta} = \frac{8}{\sqrt{\lambda}}.$$

(if we let $\delta = \sqrt{4/\lambda}$.)

C16) Assume that for any $x \in [a, b]$, $|\varphi''(x)| \geq 1$. Prove that there is a constant C_2 independent of $\lambda, \varphi, f, a, b$ such that

$$\left| \int_a^b e^{i\lambda\varphi(x)} f(x) dx \right| \leq \frac{C_2}{\sqrt{\lambda}} \left(|f(a)| + \int_a^b |f'(x)| dx \right).$$

Proof: By C15),

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_a^b e^{i\lambda\varphi(x)} f(x) dx \right| &\leq \left| \int_a^b e^{i\lambda\varphi(x)} f(a) dx \right| + \left| \int_a^b e^{i\lambda\varphi(x)} \int_a^x f'(t) dt dx \right| \\ &\leq |f(a)| \frac{C_2}{\sqrt{\lambda}} + \left| \int_a^b f'(t) \int_t^b e^{i\lambda\varphi(x)} dx dt \right| \\ &\leq \frac{C_2}{\sqrt{\lambda}} \left(|f(a)| + \int_a^b |f'(x)| dx \right). \end{aligned}$$