### CONVOLUTION AND APPROXIMATE IDENTITIES

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### 2. Examples of Topological Groups

Definition 2.1. Topological Group

Definition 2.2. Locally Compact

Definition 2.3. Haar Measure

Example 2.1.  $\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{Z}^n, \mathbb{T}^n$ 

Example 2.2. dx/|x|

Example 2.3. Heisenberg Group  $\mathbb{H}^n$ 

### 3. Convolution

Definition 3.1. Let  $f, g \in L^1(G)$ . Define the convolution f \* g by

$$(f * g)(x) := \int_{G} f(y)g(y^{-1}x)d\lambda(y) \tag{1}$$

REMARK 3.1. Note that on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with an additive structure (our preferred environment for later chapters), we will simply have:

$$(f * g)(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(y)g(x - y)dy$$

Example 3.1. Let  $G = \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & -1 \le x \le 1 \\ 0 & else \end{cases} \tag{2}$$

Then we calculate:

$$(f * f)(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(y)f(x - y)d\lambda(y)$$

$$= \begin{cases} \int_{\mathbb{R}} 0d\lambda(y) & -1 \le x \le 1\\ \int_{\mathbb{R}} \chi_{[-1,1] \cap [x-1,x+1]}(x)d\lambda(x) & else \end{cases}$$

Notice that the convolution operator has a natural smoothing effect on f, as it does on every function.

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## Lemma 3.1. Convolution is defined $\lambda$ almost everywhere.

*Proof.* To see this we take the  $L_1$  norm on the definition to find it finite:

$$\begin{split} \left\| (f * g)(x) \right\|_{L^{1}} &= \int_{G} \left| \int_{G} f(y) g(y^{-1}x) d\lambda(y) \right| d\lambda(x) & \text{(Apply Norm)} \\ &\leq \int_{G} \int_{G} |f(y)| \left| g(y^{-1}x) \right| d\lambda(y) d\lambda(x) & \text{(Tri. Ineq.)} \\ &= \int_{G} \int_{G} |f(y)| \left| g(y^{-1}x) \right| d\lambda(x) d\lambda(y) & \text{(Fubini)} \\ &= \int_{G} |f(y)| \int_{G} |g(y^{-1}x)| d\lambda(x) d\lambda(y) & \text{(Measure-Invariance)} \\ &= \int_{G} |f(y)| \int_{G} |g(x)| d\lambda(x) d\lambda(y) & \text{(Left Haar)} \\ &= \|f\|_{L^{1}} \|g\|_{L^{1}} & \text{(Def.)} \\ &< \infty & \text{(Def.)} \end{split}$$

Lemma 3.2.

$$(f * g)(x) = \int_{G} f(xz)g(z^{-1})d\lambda(z)$$

*Proof.* We perform a change of variables  $z = x^{-1}y$ :

$$\begin{split} (f*g)(x) &= \int_G f(y)g(y^{-1}x)d\lambda(y) \\ &= \int_G f(xx^{-1}y)g((yx^{-1})^{-1})d\lambda(y) \\ &= \int_G f(xz)g(z^{-1})d\lambda(x^{-1}y) \qquad \text{(Left Invariance)} \\ &= \int_G f(xz)g(z^{-1})d\lambda(z) \end{split}$$

Proposition 3.1.  $\forall f, g, h \in L^1(G)$ :

(1) 
$$f * (g * h) = (f * g) * h$$

(2) 
$$f * (g + h) = f * g + f * h \land (f + g) * h = f * h + f * g$$

Thus convolution is associative and distributive.

*Proof.* Associativity:

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Distributivity:

$$\begin{split} f*(g+h) &= \int_G f(y)(g+h)(y^{-1}x)d\lambda(y) \\ &= \int_G f(y)(g(y^{-1}x) + h(y^{-1}x))d\lambda(y) \\ &= \int_G f(y)g(y^{-1}x) + f(y)h(y^{-1}x)d\lambda(y) \\ &= \int_G f(y)g(y^{-1}x)d\lambda(y) + \int_G f(y)h(y^{-1}x)d\lambda(y) \\ &= f*g+f*h \end{split}$$

The mirror statement follows analogously.

Remark 3.2. *Proof.* Notice the following trivial equality:

$$||f||_{L^p}^{p/q} = \left( \left( \int_G |f(x)|^p d\lambda(x) \right)^{1/p} \right)^{p/q}$$
$$= \left( \int_G |f(x)|^p d\lambda(x) \right)^{1/q}$$

### 4. Basic Convolution Inequalities

DEFINITION 4.1. Define p' := p/(p-1). To maintain our desired property in infinity we also declare:  $1/\infty = 0$ 

Remark 4.1. Notice then: 
$$\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p'} = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{p-1}{p} = \frac{p}{p} = 1$$

Remark 4.2. In the following proofs we often make use of this useful inequality without further explication, it allows us to manipulate inequalities without worrying about negatives:

$$\begin{split} f*g &= \int_G f(y)g(y^{-1}x)d\lambda(y) \\ &\leq \left| \int_G f(y)g(y^{-1}x)d\lambda(y) \right| \\ &\leq \int_G |f(y)| \left| g(y^{-1}x) \right| d\lambda(y) \\ &= |f|*|g| \end{split}$$

What follows is akin to the triangle inequality for  $L^p$  spaces.

THEOREM 4.1. Minkowskis Inequality: Let  $1 \le p \le \infty$ ,  $f \in L^p(G)$ ,  $g \in L^1(G)$  then it follows that: g \* f exists  $\lambda$ -almost-everywhere and  $\|g * f\|_{L^p(G)} \le \|g\|_{L^1(G)} \|f\|_{L^p(G)}$ 

*Proof.* First we shall inspect the easier case of p=1: ZZZZZZprooofZZZZ Similarly we may rid ourselves of the other easy case  $p=\infty$ : ZZZZproofZZZZ For 1 , we must work a little harder. We have:

$$(|g| * |f|)(x) = \int_{G} |f(y^{-1}x)| |g(y)| d\lambda(y)$$

We shall apply Hölders inequality as follows ZZZ to recieve:

$$(|g|*|f|)(x) \le \left(\int_G \left| f(y^{-1}x) \right|^p \left| g(y) \right| d\lambda(y) \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_G \left| g(y) \right| d\lambda(y) \right)^{1/p'}$$

Since we are insane ZZZZ we may take the  $L^p$  norm on both sides while preserving the inequality.

$$\begin{split} \big| \big\| g | * |f| \big\|_{L^p} &= () \\ &= blah \end{split}$$

Theorem 4.2. Youngs Inequality

Theorem 4.3. Youngs Inequality for Weak Type Spaces ouch proof

#### 5. Approximate Identities

Approximation of dirac delta function, identity element of convolutions

DEFINITION 5.1. An approximate identity (as  $\varepsilon \to 0$ ) is a family of  $L^1(G)$  functions  $k_{\varepsilon}$  with the following three properties:

- (i) There exists a constant c > 0 such that  $||k_{\varepsilon}||_{L^{1}(G)} \leqslant c$  for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ .
- (ii)  $\int_G k_{\varepsilon}(x) d\lambda(x) = 1$  for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ .
- (iii) For any neighborhood V of the identity element e of the group G we have  $\int_{V^c} |k_{\varepsilon}(x)| d\lambda(x) \to 0$  as  $\varepsilon \to 0$ .

Theorem 5.1. Any approximate identity has the following two properties:

- (1)  $f \in L^p(G) \land 1 \le p < \infty \implies ||k_{\epsilon} * f f||_{L^p(G)} \to 0 \text{ as } \epsilon \to 0$
- (2)  $f \in L^{\infty}(G)$  uniformly continuous on  $K \subset G \Longrightarrow \|k_{\epsilon} * f f\|_{L^{\infty}(K)} \to 0$  as  $\epsilon \to 0$ Furthermore, if f is bounded and continuous at  $x \in G$  then  $(k_{\epsilon}*)(x) \to f(x)$  as  $\epsilon \to 0$

*Proof.* Let us first prove the statement in finite  $L^p$  spaces. We shall make use of the following equality:

$$\forall p \in \mathbb{N} : \left| g(h^{-1}x) - g(x) \right|^p \le \left( \left| g(h^{-1}x) \right| + \left| g(x) \right| \right)^p$$

$$\le (\operatorname{ess. sup}_x \left( \left| g(h^{-1}x) \right| \right) + \operatorname{ess. sup}_x \left( \left| g(x) \right| \right) \right)^p$$

$$\le (2\|g\|_{L^{\infty}})^p$$

Example 5.1. A useful example of an approximate identity is the poison kernel on  $\mathbb{R}$ , defined as:

$$P(x) := (\pi(x^2 + 1))^{-1}$$
  
 $P_{\epsilon}(x) := \epsilon^{-1} P(\epsilon^{-1} x)$ 

Notice first a convenience:

$$||P(x)||_{L^1} = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{1}{\epsilon \pi (\frac{x^2}{\epsilon^2} + 1)} \epsilon d\lambda(y)$$

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From this it follows that

Example 5.2. Another example is the fejer kernel depicted below:

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Theorem 5.2. approx. id. on locally compact group G with left Haar measure

Theorem 5.3. ke family of funcs on loc compact group G with properties...

# 6. Required Stuff

- (1) hausdorf topological space
- (2) counting measure
- (3) area of intersecting circles
- (4) banach algebra
- (5) hoelders inequality
- (6) fubini
- (7) chebyschevs inequality
- (8) lebesgue dominated conv. thm.
- (9) measure theoretic support

## chapter 1 stuff:

- (1) Lp norms and other defs etc.
- (2) distr. functions

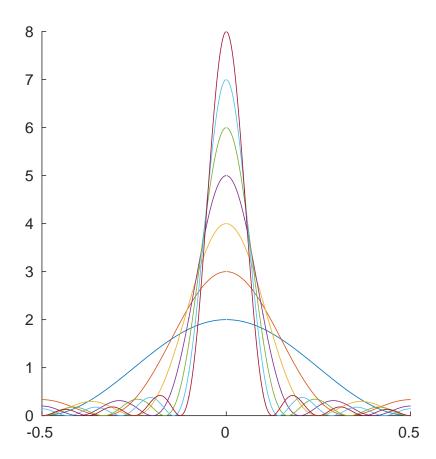


FIGURE 1. Fejer Kernel