

**PROBLEM SET #9
SOLUTIONS**

1. **(4 points)** Stein and Shakarchi, page 145, problem 1

Let φ be an integrable function with $\int \varphi = 1$, and $K_\delta(x) = \delta^{-d}\varphi(x/\delta)$.

- (a) **(2 points)** First $\int K_\delta(x) dx = 1$ by scaling, proving property (i). Second, $\int |K_\delta(x)| dx = \int |\varphi(x)| dx$, again by scaling, proving property (ii). Finally,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{|x|>\eta} |K_\delta(x)| dx &= \delta^{-d} \int_{|x|>\eta} |\varphi(x/\delta)| dx \\ &= \int_{|y|>\eta/\delta} |\varphi(y)| dy \end{aligned}$$

which goes to zero as $\delta \rightarrow 0$ by dominated convergence.

- (b) **(2 points)** Now suppose that $|\varphi(x)| \leq M$ and $\varphi(x) = 0$ for $|x| > c$. Condition (i)' has already been shown to hold, so it suffices to check (ii)' and (iii)'. By our assumptions, $K_\delta(x) = 0$ for $|x| > c\delta$ and $|K_\delta(x)| \leq \delta^{-d}M$ for all x . Condition (ii)' is immediate from the bound $|K_\delta(x)| \leq M\delta^{-d}$. To verify condition (iii)', estimate

$$|x|^{d+1}|K_\delta(x)| \leq (c\delta)^{d+1}M\delta^{-d} = c^{d+1}\delta M$$

which implies (iii)'.

- (c) **(ungraded)** This is essentially the proof given in class. We may estimate

$$\begin{aligned} |f * K_\delta - f| &\leq \int |K_\delta(y)| |f(x-y) - f(x)| dx dy \\ &\leq \int_{|y|<\eta} |K_\delta(y)| \|f_y - f\|_{L^1} dy + \int_{|y|\geq\eta} |K_\delta(y)| 2 \|f\|_{L^1} dy. \end{aligned}$$

By the continuity of translations, we may choose η small enough that $\|f_y - f\| < \varepsilon$.

2. **(4 points)** Stein and Shakarchi, page 146, problem 5

(a) (**2 points**) We can compute as an improper Riemann integral.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} \frac{1}{|x|(\log(1/|x|))^2} dx &= 2 \int_0^{1/2} \frac{1}{(\log t)^2} \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= 2 \int_{-\infty}^{-\log 2} \frac{1}{u^2} du, & u = \log t \\ &= 2 \left[-\frac{1}{u} \right]_{-\infty}^{-\log 2} \\ &= \frac{2}{|\log 2|} \end{aligned}$$

(b) (**2 points**) Consider

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{x + \varepsilon} \int_0^x \frac{1}{t(\log t)^2} dt &= \frac{1}{x} \int_{-\infty}^{\log x} \frac{1}{u^2} du \\ &= \frac{1}{x|\log(x + \varepsilon)|} \end{aligned}$$

Since $(0, x + \varepsilon)$ is an interval containing x , it follows that

$$f^*(x) \geq \frac{1}{x|\log x|}$$

and so is not integrable.

3. (**2 points**) Stein and Shakarchi, page 146, problem 6.

This problem requires the Rising Sun Lemma, Lemma 3.5, for its solution. Define the one-sided maximal function f_+^* for a measurable function f on the real line by

$$f_+^*(x) = \sup_{h>0} \frac{1}{h} \int_x^{x+h} |f(y)| dy$$

and

$$E_\alpha^+ = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : f_+^*(x) > \alpha\}.$$

We claim that

$$m(E_\alpha^+) = \frac{1}{\alpha} \int_{E_\alpha^+} |f(y)| dy.$$

Let F be the function

$$F(x) = \int_0^x |f(y)| dy - \alpha x.$$

If $x \in E_\alpha^+$, there is an $h > 0$ so that $\int_x^{x+h} |f(y)| dy - \alpha h > 0$, i.e., $F(x+h) - F(x) > 0$. On the other hand, if $F(x+h) - F(x) > \alpha h$ for a given x and some h , it follows that $f_+^*(x) > \alpha$. Hence

$$E_\alpha^+ = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : F(x+h) > F(x) \text{ for some } h > 0\}.$$

By Lemma 3.5, E_α^+ is either empty or is a disjoint union of open intervals (a_k, b_k) with $F(b_k) = F(a_k)$, i.e., $\int_{a_k}^{b_k} |f(y)| dy = \alpha(b_k - a_k)$. Hence

$$m(E_\alpha^+) = \sum_k (b_k - a_k) = \sum_k \frac{1}{\alpha} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} |f(y)| dy = m \frac{1}{\alpha} \int_{E_\alpha^+} |f(y)| dy.$$