

Best bounds for the Hilbert transform on $L^p(\mathbb{R}^1)$: A corrigendum

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We fix a point left unexplained in [1] by a small modification of the proof.

In the text after (5) in [1] for $R > 100$ define C_R as the circle centered at iR with radius $R' = R - 1/R$, but define a (smaller) lower arc $C_R^L = \{iR + R'e^{i\phi} : \frac{5\pi}{4} \leq \phi \leq \frac{7\pi}{4}\}$ and a (larger) upper arc $C_R^U = C_R \setminus C_R^L$. Then (6) holds as stated in [1] because of the subharmonicity of $g(u(z), v(z))$. Observe that the following stronger version of (7) holds for some constant C_f (depending only on the Schwartz function f):

$$|u(x + iy) + iv(x + iy)| \leq \frac{C_f}{1 + |x| + |y|}.$$

This is routine to check for $|x| \geq 2A$, where $[-A, A]$ contains the support of f . Also, for $|x| \leq 2A$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} |u(x + iy) + iv(x + iy)| &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{f(x-t)}{t+iy} dt \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left| \int_{-(A+|x|)}^{A+|x|} \frac{f(x-t) - f(x)}{t+iy} + f(x) \frac{t-iy}{t^2+y^2} dt \right| \\ &\leq C' \left(\int_{|t| \leq 3A} \frac{|t|}{|t|+|y|} dt + 2 \tan^{-1} \frac{3A}{|y|} \right) \\ &\leq \frac{C''}{1+|y|} \leq \frac{C_f}{1+|x|+|y|}. \end{aligned}$$

We conclude from this that

$$(*) \quad |g(u(x+iy), v(x+iy))| \leq |u(x+iy) + iv(x+iy)|^p \\ \leq \left(\frac{C_f}{1+|x|+|y|} \right)^p,$$

which clearly implies the following versions of (8) and (9) in [1]:

$$R' |g(u(iR), v(iR))| \leq R' \frac{C}{(1+R)^p} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } R \rightarrow \infty, \\ \left| \int_{C_R^U} g(u(z), v(z)) ds \right| \leq R' \frac{C}{(1+R)^p} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } R \rightarrow \infty.$$

In view of (6), (8), and (9) in order to obtain (3), it will suffice to show that the integral of $g(u(z), v(z))$ over C_R^L tends to the left hand side of (3). This will be a consequence of the Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem combined with the fact that C_R^L is strictly smaller than half circle. Using parametric equations, the integral $\int_{C_R^L} g(u(z), v(z)) ds$ is equal to

$$\int_{\frac{-R'\sqrt{2}}{2}}^{\frac{R'\sqrt{2}}{2}} \frac{g\left(u\left(x+iR-iR'\sqrt{1-\frac{x^2}{R'^2}}\right), v\left(x+iR-iR'\sqrt{1-\frac{x^2}{R'^2}}\right)\right)}{\sqrt{1-\frac{x^2}{R'^2}}} dx.$$

In view of (*), for all $R > 100$, the preceding integrand is bounded by the integrable function $C_f \sqrt{2}(1+|x|)^{-p}$, since $\sqrt{1-\frac{x^2}{R'^2}}$ is bounded below by $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ in the range of integration. The Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem, therefore, implies that the previously displayed expressions converge to

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(u((x+i0), v(x+i0))) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \operatorname{Re} [(|f(x)| + iHf(x))^p] dx,$$

as $R \rightarrow \infty$, since for almost all x we have

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow x} g(u(z), v(z)) = g(u(x+i0), v(x+i0)) = \operatorname{Re} [(|f(x)| + iHf(x))^p].$$

This proves (3) and completes the proof.

References

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