

9. Haar Series Continued:

Recall the averaging formula: $\langle f \rangle_I = \sum_{J \supseteq I} (f, h_J) h_J(I)$.

We are in $L^2(\mathbb{R})$, where we know $\{h_I\}_{I \in \mathcal{D}}$ is an orthonormal basis,

$$f = \sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} (f, h_I) h_I$$

holds in the sense of L^2 -convergence, and $\|f\|_{L^2}^2 = \sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} (f, h_I)^2$.

For every $I \in \mathcal{D}$, $f \mapsto \langle f \rangle_I$ is a continuous linear functional on $L^2(\mathbb{R})$,

$$\text{so } \langle f \rangle_I = \left\langle \sum_{J \in \mathcal{D}} (f, h_J) h_J \right\rangle_I = \sum_{J \in \mathcal{D}} (f, h_J) \langle h_J \rangle_I = \sum_{J \supseteq I} (f, h_J) h_J(I).$$

Now suppose $I \not\supseteq J$ are dyadic intervals:

$$\langle f \rangle_I - \langle f \rangle_J = \sum_{K \supseteq I} (f, h_K) h_K(I) - \sum_{K \supseteq J} (f, h_K) h_K(J)$$

Split into: $\sum_{\substack{K \supseteq I \\ K \not\supseteq J}} (f, h_K) h_K(I) + \sum_{K \supseteq J} (f, h_K) h_K(I)$

$$\Rightarrow \langle f \rangle_I - \langle f \rangle_J = \sum_{\substack{K \supseteq I \\ K \not\supseteq J}} (f, h_K) h_K(I) + \sum_{K \supseteq J} (f, h_K) h_K(I) - \sum_{K \supseteq J} (f, h_K) h_K(J)$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle f \rangle_I - \langle f \rangle_J = \sum_{\substack{K \supseteq I \\ K \not\supseteq J}} (f, h_K) h_K(I) \quad \forall I \not\supseteq J \in \mathcal{D} \quad (*)$$

Consider now the lengths of these intervals: say $|I| = 2^k$, $|J| = 2^l$ ($k < l \in \mathbb{Z}$)

We can sum (*) over all dyadic intervals of length 2^k and 2^l :

$$\sum_{\substack{I \in \mathcal{D} \\ |I| = 2^k}} \langle f \rangle_I - \sum_{\substack{J \in \mathcal{D} \\ |J| = 2^l}} \langle f \rangle_J = \sum_{\substack{I \not\supseteq J \\ |I| = 2^k, |J| = 2^l}} \sum_{K \supseteq I} (f, h_K) h_K(I).$$

This can actually be expressed by the following useful formula:

$$\sum_{\substack{I \in \mathcal{D} \\ |I| = 2^k}} \langle f \rangle_I \mathbb{1}_I(x) - \sum_{\substack{J \in \mathcal{D} \\ |J| = 2^l}} \langle f \rangle_J \mathbb{1}_J(x) = \sum_{\substack{K \in \mathcal{D} \\ 2^k < |K| \leq 2^l}} (f, h_K) h_K(x). \quad (**)$$

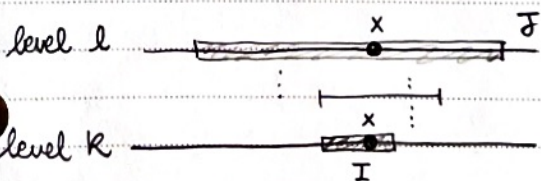
Pf: Let $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Then there is a unique $I \in \mathcal{D}$ s.t. $|I| = 2^k$ and $x \in I$. Similarly, there is a unique $J \in \mathcal{D}$ s.t. $|J| = 2^l$ and $x \in J$. So the left hand side of (**)

becomes exactly $\langle f \rangle_I - \langle f \rangle_J$. For the right hand side, for every i s.t. $k < i \leq l$

the unique $K \in \mathcal{D}$ s.t. $|K| = 2^i$ and $x \in K$ also satisfies $K \supseteq I$ and $K \not\supseteq J$ (b/c K intersects $I \& J$ in x but K must contain or be contained in $I \& J$).

Moreover $h_K(x) = h_K(I)$. So (**) becomes exactly

$$\langle f \rangle_I - \langle f \rangle_J = \sum_{\substack{K \supseteq I \\ K \not\supseteq J}} (f, h_K) h_K(I).$$



So, again, for $x \in \mathbb{R}$:

$$\sum_{\substack{I \in \mathcal{D} \\ |I|=2^k}} \langle f \rangle_I \mathbb{1}_I(x) - \sum_{\substack{J \in \mathcal{D} \\ |J|=2^l}} \langle f \rangle_J \mathbb{1}_J(x) = \sum_{\substack{K \in \mathcal{D} \\ 2^k < |K| \leq 2^l}} (f, h_K) h_K(x)$$

and at most one term is non-zero in each sum on the left, and at most $(l-k)$ terms are non-zero on the right! So take $k \rightarrow -\infty$ and $l \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow -\infty} \left(\sum_{\substack{I \in \mathcal{D} \\ |I|=2^k}} \langle f \rangle_I \mathbb{1}_I(x) \right) - \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sum_{\substack{J \in \mathcal{D} \\ |J|=2^l}} \langle f \rangle_J \mathbb{1}_J(x) \right) = \sum_{K \in \mathcal{D}} (f, h_K) h_K(x)$$

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 \downarrow in L^2

$f(x)$ for a.a. $x \in \mathbb{R}$ (LDT)

As $k \rightarrow -\infty$, I collapses about x
and this is really

$\lim_{\substack{I \ni x \\ |I| \rightarrow 0}} \langle f \rangle_I = f(x)$ for a.a. x

0 for all x

$|\langle f \rangle_J| \leq \langle |f| \rangle_J = \frac{1}{|J|} \int_J |f|$

$\leq \frac{1}{|J|} \|f\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R})} \sqrt{|J|}$

$= \frac{\|f\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R})}}{\sqrt{|J|}} \xrightarrow{|J| \rightarrow \infty} 0$

Haar Series

So: the sum on the left converges pointwise a.e. to $f \Rightarrow$ so does the Haar series!

Prop: For all $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$, the Haar series $\sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} (f, h_I) h_I$ converges to f both in L^2 and pointwise a.e.

Def.: Let X be a (real or complex) Banach space. A sequence $\{h_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset X$ is called a Schauder basis ("basis") of X if the closed linear span of $\{h_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is X and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n h_n = 0$ if and only if each $a_n = 0$.

We already saw that $\overline{\text{span}\{h_I\}_{I \in \mathcal{D}}} = L^p(\mathbb{R})$, $\forall 1 < p < \infty$, and further

$$\sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} (f, h_I) h_I = 0 \Rightarrow (h_J, \sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} (f, h_I) h_I) = 0, \forall J \in \mathcal{D} \Rightarrow (f, h_J) = 0, \forall J \in \mathcal{D}.$$

$\Rightarrow \{h_I\}_{I \in \mathcal{D}}$ is a Schauder basis for $L^p(\mathbb{R})$, $1 < p < \infty$.

Problem: The sum $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n h_n$ may depend on the order of h_n , and it is possible for a permutation of a basis to fail to be a basis!

Bases which remain bases under all permutations are called unconditional bases.

Thm.: Given a basis $\{h_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of a Banach space, TFAE:

- (i). $\{h_{\pi(n)}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is also a basis for all permutations $\pi: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$.
- (ii). Sums of the form $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n h_n$ converge unconditionally whenever they converge.
- (iii). There is $c > 0$ s.t. for every sequence of reals $\{a_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ and every sequence of reals $\{\sigma_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ with $|\sigma_n| \leq 1, \forall n$:

$$\left\| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma_n a_n h_n \right\|_X \leq c \left\| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n h_n \right\|_X$$

See: [Christopher Heil - "A Basis Theory Primer" - Birkhäuser]

Our interest in this: The Haar basis is an unconditional basis for $L^p(\mathbb{R})$, $1 < p < \infty$.

Informally: \rightarrow we can approximate a function in the L^p norm w/ an infinite linear combination of Haar functions (the basis part);
 \rightarrow the order of summation doesn't matter (the unconditional part).
 $\Rightarrow L^p$ information about $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R})$ is encoded in $|(f, h_I)|$, with $I \in \mathcal{D}$.
 \Rightarrow motivates the definition:

Def.: The martingale transform operator T_{σ} is defined by:

$$T_{\sigma} f := \sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} \sigma_I (f, h_I) h_I$$

where $\sigma = \{\sigma_I\}_{I \in \mathcal{D}}$ is a sequence of real numbers with $\|\sigma\|_{\infty} < \infty$.

Remark: In some texts, the martingale transform is defined with the sequence σ taking values only ± 1 : $\sigma_I = \pm 1, \forall I$.

Remark: An even more general definition is that of Haar multipliers
i.e. operator of the form

$$Tf(x) := \sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} \phi_I(x) (f, h_I) h_I(x)$$

where the "symbol" $\phi_I(x)$ is a sequence of functions indexed by I .
So the martingale transform is a "constant Haar multiplier",
i.e. $\phi_I(x) \equiv \sigma_I, \forall I$.

- ⊙ Take $\phi_I(x) = g(x), \forall I \Rightarrow$ multiplication by g
- ⊙ Haar multipliers are analogous to pseudodifferential operators

$$\Phi f(x) := \int_{\mathbb{R}} a(x, \xi) \hat{f}(\xi) e^{2\pi i x \xi} d\xi$$

where the Haar system is replaced by trigonometric functions.
(the "symbol" here is $a(x, \xi)$). In both situations though:
one wants to identify those symbols for which the corresponding
operators are bounded on L^p .

Theorem: Let \mathcal{D} be a dyadic grid on \mathbb{R} , $\{h_I\}_{I \in \mathcal{D}}$ be the Haar system adapted to \mathcal{D} , and:

$$T_{\sigma} f := \sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} \sigma_I (f, h_I) h_I$$

be a martingale transform, i.e. $\{\sigma_I\}_{I \in \mathcal{D}}$ is a sequence of real numbers indexed by \mathcal{D} , satisfying $|\sigma_I| \leq 1, \forall I \in \mathcal{D}$. Then $T_{\sigma}: L^p \rightarrow L^p$ is a bounded operator on $L^p(\mathbb{R})$ for all $1 < p < \infty$: there is a constant C_p depending only on p s.t.

$$\|T_{\sigma} f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R})} \leq C_p \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R})} \quad (*)$$

Remarks:

• In the language of functional analysis, this says exactly that the Haar system is an unconditional basis for $L^p(\mathbb{R})$.

• Assume for a moment that T_{σ} is given by a ± 1 sequence, i.e. $\sigma_I = \pm 1, \forall I \in \mathcal{D}$. Then $T_{\sigma} T_{\sigma} f = f$, so $\|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R})} = \|T_{\sigma}(T_{\sigma} f)\| \leq C_p \|T_{\sigma} f\|_{L^p}$, and we have an equivalence of norms $\|f\|_{L^p} \simeq \|T_{\sigma} f\|_{L^p}$.

• Look at what happens when $p=2$:

$$\|T_{\sigma} f\|_2^2 = \sum_I (T_{\sigma} f, h_I)^2 = \sum_I |\sigma_I|^2 (f, h_I)^2 \leq \sum_I (f, h_I)^2 = \|f\|_2^2$$

so (*) holds with $C_2 = 1$.

We introduce a closely related dyadic operator:

Def.: The dyadic square function operator $S_{\mathcal{D}}$ (adapted to some dyadic grid \mathcal{D} on \mathbb{R}) is defined by:

$$S_{\mathcal{D}} f(x) := \left(\sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} (f, h_I)^2 \frac{\mathbb{1}_I(x)}{|I|} \right)^{1/2}$$

First immediate observation: $\|S_{\mathcal{D}} f\|_2 = \|f\|_2$.

$$\|S_{\mathcal{D}} f\|_2^2 = \int \sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} (f, h_I)^2 \frac{\mathbb{1}_I}{|I|} = \sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} (f, h_I)^2 = \|f\|_2^2$$

(Tonelli)

Remark: $S_{\mathcal{D}}$ is not a linear operator, but it is quasi-linear:

- $|S_{\mathcal{D}}(\lambda f)| = |\lambda| \|S_{\mathcal{D}} f\|$
- $S_{\mathcal{D}}(f+g) \leq \sqrt{2} (S_{\mathcal{D}} f + S_{\mathcal{D}} g)$

$$\begin{aligned} S_{\mathcal{D}}(f+g) &= \left(\sum_I ((f, h_I) + (g, h_I))^2 \frac{\mathbb{1}_I}{|I|} \right)^{1/2} \leq \left(2 \sum_I ((f, h_I)^2 + (g, h_I)^2) \frac{\mathbb{1}_I}{|I|} \right)^{1/2} \\ &= \sqrt{2} \left(\sum_I (f, h_I)^2 \frac{\mathbb{1}_I}{|I|} + \sum_I (g, h_I)^2 \frac{\mathbb{1}_I}{|I|} \right)^{1/2} \leq \sqrt{2} (S_{\mathcal{D}} f + S_{\mathcal{D}} g) \end{aligned}$$

($\sqrt{a+b} \leq \sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}$)

"if this doesn't seem remarkable, that's only because we've been spoiled by a too-close familiarity w/ functional analysis"

A closer look at $\|f\|_2 = \|S_D f\|_2$ (from Wilson):

$$\rightarrow \|f\|_2 \leq \|S_D f\|_2 \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} |f|^2 &= \left| \sum_I (f, h_I) h_I \right|^2 \\ (Sf)^2 &= \sum_I (f, h_I)^2 (h_I)^2 \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{would expect the square of a sum to be} \\ \text{much bigger than the sum of squares,} \\ \text{but (1) shows that, in the average,} \\ \text{this isn't true for a sum of Haar functions.} \end{array} \right\}$$

Why? The sum $\sum_I (f, h_I) h_I$ has a lot of cancellation

$$\rightarrow \|S_D f\|_2 \leq \|f\|_2 \quad (2) \Rightarrow \text{the square of the sum is not, on average, much smaller than the sum of squares.}$$

\Rightarrow There isn't too much cancellation in $\sum_I (f, h_I) h_I$.

To paraphrase: appealing to Bessel hides some of the magic going on here.

Emphasized the non-obviousness of $\|f\|_2 = \|S_D f\|_2$ because it is the starting point of Littlewood-Paley theory, whose goal is to extend it to settings where it's patently not obvious (L^p spaces, weighted spaces).

We will show:

Thm.: For all $1 < p < \infty$, L^p -norms are equivalent to the square function:

$$\|S_D f\|_p \approx \|f\|_p, \quad \forall p \in (0, \infty), f \in L^p(\mathbb{R})$$

i.e. there exist dimensional constants c_p, C_p such that

$$c_p \|f\|_p \leq \|S_D f\|_p \leq C_p \|f\|_p, \quad \forall f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}).$$

This actually gives us for free that $\|T_D f\|_p \approx \|f\|_p$:

$$\|T_D f\|_p \approx \|S_D T_D f\|_p \leq \|S_D f\|_p \approx \|f\|_p$$

$$S_D T_D f(x) = \sum_{I \in D} \underbrace{\sigma_I^2}_{\leq 1} (f, h_I)^2 \frac{1_{I^c}(x)}{|I|} \leq S_D^2 f(x)$$

Some necessary new notions first: (dyadic) maximal function, CZ decomposition, sharp function, good- λ inequalities...

Some remarks about the proof of $\|S_D f\|_p \approx \|f\|_p, 1 < p < \infty$:

→ It suffices to prove the upper bound $\|S_D f\|_p \lesssim \|f\|_p, 1 < p < \infty$.

The lower bound then follows by duality:

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\|_p &= \sup_{\substack{g \in L^{p'} \\ \|g\|_{p'} \leq 1}} |(f, g)| = \sup_{\|g\|_{p'} \leq 1} \left| \sum_I (f, h_I)(g, h_I) \right| \\ &\leq \sup_{\|g\|_{p'} \leq 1} \sum_I |(f, h_I)(g, h_I)| = \sup_{\|g\|_{p'} \leq 1} \int \left(\sum_I |f, h_I| |g, h_I| \frac{1}{|I|} dx \right) \\ &\leq \sup_{\|g\|_{p'} \leq 1} \int \left(\sum_I |f, h_I|^2 \frac{1}{|I|} \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_I |g, h_I|^2 \frac{1}{|I|} \right)^{1/2} dx \\ &= \sup_{\|g\|_{p'} \leq 1} \int (S_D f)(S_D g) dx \\ &\leq \sup_{\|g\|_{p'} \leq 1} (\|S_D f\|_p \|S_D g\|_{p'}) \lesssim \|S_D f\|_p \sup_{\|g\|_{p'} \leq 1} \|g\|_{p'} \leq \|S_D f\|_p. \end{aligned}$$

→ The proof for the upper bound has 2 parts:

I. $1 < p < 2$: Interpolation with a weak (1,1) bound (proved via CZ decomposition)

II. $p > 2$: Sharp function (good \rightarrow inequalities).

Remark: One would maybe expect to obtain the $p > 2$ result for free, using duality & adjoints. However, S_D is not linear, so that doesn't work here; the case $p > 2$ has to be proved separately by hand.

For example: There is a direct proof for $\|T_D f\|_p \lesssim \|f\|_p$ that doesn't appeal to the square function:

• $p=2$: $\|T_D f\|_2^2 = \sum_I \sigma_I^2(f, h_I)^2 \leq \|f\|_2^2$.

• $1 < p < 2$: Interpolation with a weak (1,1) bound (via CZ decoup.)

• $p > 2$: Follows for free because $T_D^* = T_D$:

$$\therefore (T_D f, g) = \sum_I \sigma_I (f, h_I)(g, h_I) = (f, \sum_I \sigma_I (g, h_I) h_I) = (f, T_D g)$$

Let $p > 2$. Then its Hölder conjugate $p' \in (1, 2)$ and $T_D: L^p \rightarrow L^p$ is bounded $\Rightarrow \|T_D: L^p \rightarrow L^p\| = \|T_D^*: L^{p'} \rightarrow L^{p'}\| \lesssim \|f\|$.

→ The main point for proving part I, will be proving $S_D: L^1 \rightarrow L^{1,\infty}$. After that, we appeal to Marcien Kiewicz Interpolation Thm. (Grafakos, Section 1.3.a.) for quasilinear operators (S_D)

$0 < p_0 < p_1 \leq \infty$ T quasilinear op. s.t.: $T: L^{p_0}(x) \rightarrow L^{p_0, \infty}(y)$ bdd $T: L^{p_1}(x) \rightarrow L^{p_1, \infty}(y)$ bdd	$\Rightarrow T: L^p(x) \rightarrow L^p(y)$ bdd, $\forall p_0 < p < p_1$	Applied to S_D , knowing L^2 -boundedness: $S_D: L^1 \rightarrow L^{1, \infty}$ $S_D: L^2 \rightarrow L^2 \subset L^{2, \infty}$	$\Rightarrow S_D: L^p \rightarrow L^p$ $1 < p < 2$
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