

L_p MARKOV-BERNSTEIN INEQUALITIES ON ALL ARCS OF THE CIRCLE

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ABSTRACT. Let $0 < p < \infty$ and $0 \leq \alpha < \beta \leq 2\pi$. We prove that for $n \geq 1$ and trigonometric polynomials s_n of degree $\leq n$, we have

$$\int_{\alpha}^{\beta} |s'_n(\theta)|^p \left[\frac{|\sin(\frac{\theta-\alpha}{2})| |\sin(\frac{\theta-\beta}{2})| + (\frac{\beta-\alpha}{n})^2}{\left(\cos\frac{\theta-\frac{\alpha+\beta}{2}}{2}\right)^2 + (\frac{1}{n})^2} \right]^{p/2} d\theta \leq cn^p \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} |s_n(\theta)|^p d\theta,$$

where c is independent of α, β, n, s_n . The essential feature is the uniformity in $[\alpha, \beta]$ of the estimate, and the fact that as $[\alpha, \beta]$ approaches $[0, 2\pi]$, we recover the L_p Markov inequality. The result may be viewed as the complete L_p form of Videnskii's inequalities, improving earlier work of the second author.

1. INTRODUCTION AND RESULTS

The classical Markov-Bernstein inequality for trigonometric polynomials

$$s_n(\theta) := \sum_{j=0}^n (c_j \cos j\theta + d_j \sin j\theta)$$

of degree $\leq n$ is

$$\|s'_n\|_{L_{\infty}[0,2\pi]} \leq n \|s_n\|_{L_{\infty}[0,2\pi]}.$$

The same factor n occurs in the L_p analogue. See [1] or [3]. In the 1950's V.S. Videnskii generalized the L_{∞} inequality to the case where the interval over which the norm is taken is shorter than the period [1, pp.242-5]: let $0 < \omega < \pi$. Then there is the sharp inequality

$$|s'_n(\theta)| \left[1 - \left(\frac{\cos \omega/2}{\cos \theta/2} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \leq n \|s_n\|_{L_{\infty}[-\omega, \omega]}, \theta \in [-\omega, \omega].$$

This implies that

$$\sup_{\theta \in [-\pi, \pi]} |s'_n(\theta)| \left[\left| \sin\left(\frac{\theta-\omega}{2}\right) \right| \left| \sin\left(\frac{\theta+\omega}{2}\right) \right| \right]^{1/2} \leq n \|s_n\|_{L_{\infty}[-\omega, \omega]}$$

and for $n \geq n_0(\omega)$, gives rise to the sharp Markov inequality

$$(1) \quad \|s'_n\|_{L_{\infty}[-\omega, \omega]} \leq 2n^2 \cot \frac{\omega}{2} \|s_n\|_{L_{\infty}[-\omega, \omega]}.$$

What are the L_p analogues? This question arose originally in connection with large sieve inequalities [7], on subarcs of the circle. In an earlier paper, the second author

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proved the following result:

Theorem 1.1

Let $0 < p < \infty$ and $0 \leq \alpha < \beta \leq 2\pi$. Then for $n \geq 1$ and trigonometric polynomials s_n of degree $\leq n$,

$$(2) \quad \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} |s'_n(\theta)|^p \left[\left| \sin\left(\frac{\theta-\alpha}{2}\right) \right| \left| \sin\left(\frac{\theta-\beta}{2}\right) \right| + \left(\frac{\beta-\alpha}{n}\right)^2 \right]^{p/2} d\theta \leq Cn^p \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} |s_n(\theta)|^p d\theta.$$

Here C is independent of α, β, n, s_n .

This inequality confirmed a conjecture of Erdelyi [4]. Theorem 1.1 was deduced from an analogous inequality for algebraic polynomials.

While Theorem 1.1 is almost certainly sharp with respect to the growth in n when $[\alpha, \beta]$ is a fixed proper subinterval of $(0, \pi)$, and most especially when $[\alpha, \beta]$ is small, it is not sharp when $[\alpha, \beta]$ approaches $[0, 2\pi]$. For example, Theorem 1.1 gives

$$\int_0^{2\pi} |s'_n(\theta)|^p \left[\left(\sin\frac{\theta}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right)^2 \right]^{p/2} d\theta \leq Cn^p \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} |s_n(\theta)|^p d\theta,$$

while the correct Markov inequality is (with $C = 1$),

$$(3) \quad \int_0^{2\pi} |s'_n(\theta)|^p d\theta \leq Cn^p \int_0^{2\pi} |s_n(\theta)|^p d\theta.$$

It is possible to derive this by two applications of (2) (on different intervals) and then by using 2π -periodicity of the integrand. However for general $[\alpha, \beta] \subset [0, 2\pi]$, we are not able to use 2π -periodicity, so for $\beta - \alpha$ close to 2π , it seems that we cannot obtain the sharp result from (2). In this paper, we establish an improvement of Theorem 1.1 which does yield (3), and is almost certainly sharp for $[\alpha, \beta]$ close to $[0, 2\pi]$. In particular, we prove:

Theorem 1.2

Let $0 < p < \infty$ and $0 \leq \alpha < \beta \leq 2\pi$. Then for $n \geq 1$ and trigonometric polynomials s_n of degree $\leq n$,

$$(4) \quad \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} |s'_n(\theta)|^p \left[\frac{\left| \sin\left(\frac{\theta-\alpha}{2}\right) \right| \left| \sin\left(\frac{\theta-\beta}{2}\right) \right| + \left(\frac{\beta-\alpha}{n}\right)^2}{\left(\cos\frac{\theta-\frac{\alpha+\beta}{2}}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^2} \right]^{p/2} d\theta \leq Cn^p \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} |s_n(\theta)|^p d\theta.$$

Here C is independent of α, β, n, s_n .

For example, if we take our interval to be $[-\omega, \omega]$, where $0 < \omega < \pi$, we may reformulate the above inequality as

$$(5) \quad \int_{-\omega}^{\omega} |s'_n(\theta)|^p \left[\frac{\left| \sin\left(\frac{\theta-\omega}{2}\right) \right| \left| \sin\left(\frac{\theta+\omega}{2}\right) \right| + \left(\frac{2\omega}{n}\right)^2}{\left(\cos\frac{\theta}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^2} \right]^{p/2} d\theta \leq Cn^p \int_{-\omega}^{\omega} |s_n(\theta)|^p d\theta,$$

with C independent of ω, n, s_n , or equivalently,

$$(6) \quad \int_{-\omega}^{\omega} |s'_n(\theta)|^p \left[\frac{(\cos \frac{\theta}{2})^2 - (\cos \frac{\omega}{2})^2 + (\frac{2\omega}{n})^2}{(\cos \frac{\theta}{2})^2 + (\frac{1}{n})^2} \right]^{p/2} d\theta \leq Cn^p \int_{-\omega}^{\omega} |s_n(\theta)|^p d\theta.$$

As $\omega \rightarrow \pi$, we recover the Markov inequality (3). Note that also as ω becomes small, (5) reduces to

$$\int_{-\omega}^{\omega} |s'_n(\theta)|^p \left[\left| \sin \left(\frac{\theta - \omega}{2} \right) \right| \left| \sin \left(\frac{\theta + \omega}{2} \right) \right| + \left(\frac{2\omega}{n} \right)^2 \right]^{p/2} d\theta \leq Cn^p \int_{-\omega}^{\omega} |s_n(\theta)|^p d\theta,$$

which in turn implies the L_p Markov inequality

$$\int_{-\omega}^{\omega} |s'_n(\theta)|^p d\theta \leq C \left(\frac{n^2}{\omega} \right)^p \int_{-\omega}^{\omega} |s_n(\theta)|^p d\theta.$$

The latter is the L_p version of (1).

We shall deduce Theorem 1.2 from:

Theorem 1.3

Let $0 < p < \infty$ and $0 \leq \alpha < \beta \leq 2\pi$. Let

$$(7) \quad \varepsilon_n(z) := \frac{1}{n} \left[\frac{|z - e^{i\alpha}| |z - e^{i\beta}| + \left(\frac{\beta - \alpha}{n} \right)^2}{\left| z + e^{i\frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}} \right|^2 + \left(\frac{1}{n} \right)^2} \right]^{1/2}.$$

Then for $n \geq 1$ and algebraic polynomials P of degree $\leq n$,

$$(8) \quad \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} |(P' \varepsilon_n)(e^{i\theta})|^p d\theta \leq C \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} |P(e^{i\theta})|^p d\theta.$$

Here C is independent of α, β, n, s_n .

Our method of proof uses Carleson measures much as in [8-10], but also uses ideas from [7] where large sieve inequalities were proved for subarcs of the circle. Despite the similarities in many of the proofs to especially those in [10], we provide the details, for otherwise the proofs would be very difficult to follow. The chief difference to the proofs in [10] is due to the more delicate choice of ε_n , which substantially complicates the proofs in Section 3.

We shall prove Theorem 1.3 in Section 2, deferring some technical estimates. In Section 3, we present estimates involving the function ε_n and also estimate the norms of certain Carleson measures. In Section 4, we prove Theorem 1.2.

2. THE PROOF OF THEOREM 1.3

Throughout, C, C_0, C_1, C_2, \dots denote constants that are independent of α, β, ω, n and polynomials P of degree $\leq n$ or trigonometric polynomials s_n of degree $\leq n$. They may however depend on p . The same symbol does not necessarily denote the same constant in different occurrences. We shall prove Theorem 1.3 in several steps:

(I) **Reduction to the case** $0 < \alpha < \pi; \beta := 2\pi - \alpha$

After a rotation of the circle, we may assume that our arc $\{e^{i\theta} : \theta \in [\alpha, \beta]\}$ has the form

$$\Delta = \{e^{i\theta} : \theta \in [\alpha', 2\pi - \alpha']\},$$

where $0 \leq \alpha' < \pi$. Then Δ is symmetric about the real line, and this simplifies use of a conformal map below. Moreover, then

$$\beta - \alpha = 2(\pi - \alpha').$$

Dropping the prime, it suffices to consider $0 < \alpha < \pi$, and $\beta - \alpha$ replaced everywhere by $2(\pi - \alpha)$. Thus in the sequel, we assume that

$$(9) \quad \Delta = \{e^{i\theta} : \theta \in [\alpha, 2\pi - \alpha]\};$$

$$(10) \quad R(z) = (z - e^{i\alpha})(z - e^{-i\alpha}) = z^2 - 2z \cos \alpha + 1.$$

Since then $\frac{\alpha + \beta}{2} = \pi$, we may take for $z = e^{i\theta}$ (dropping the subscript n from ε_n in (7) and a factor of 2 in $\pi - \alpha$),

$$(11) \quad \varepsilon(z) = \frac{1}{n} \left[\frac{|R(z)| + \left(\frac{\pi - \alpha}{n}\right)^2}{|z - 1|^2 + \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^2} \right]^{1/2} = \frac{1}{n} \left[\frac{4 \left| \sin\left(\frac{\theta - \alpha}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\theta + \alpha}{2}\right) \right| + \left(\frac{\pi - \alpha}{n}\right)^2}{4 \left(\sin\frac{\theta}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^2} \right]^{1/2}.$$

We can now begin the main part of the proof:

(II) Pointwise estimates for $P'(z)$ when $p \geq 1$

By Cauchy's integral formula for derivatives, (or by Cauchy's estimates),

$$\begin{aligned} |P'(z)| &= \left| \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|t-z|=\varepsilon(z)/100} \frac{P(t)}{(t-z)^2} dt \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left| P\left(z + \frac{\varepsilon(z)}{100} e^{i\theta}\right) \right| d\theta / \left(\frac{\varepsilon(z)}{100}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Then Hölder's inequality gives

$$\begin{aligned} |P'(z)| \varepsilon(z) &\leq 100 \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left| P\left(z + \frac{\varepsilon(z)}{100} e^{i\theta}\right) \right|^p d\theta \right)^{1/p} \\ \Rightarrow (|P'(z)| \varepsilon(z))^p &\leq 100^p \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left| P\left(z + \frac{\varepsilon(z)}{100} e^{i\theta}\right) \right|^p d\theta. \end{aligned}$$

(III) Pointwise estimates for $P'(z)$ when $p < 1$

We follow ideas in [9, 10]. Suppose first that P has no zeros inside or on the circle $\gamma := \{t : |t - z| = \frac{\varepsilon(z)}{100}\}$. Then we can choose a single valued branch of P^p there, with the properties

$$\frac{d}{dt} P(t)^p \Big|_{t=z} = p P(z)^p \frac{P'(z)}{P(z)}$$

and

$$|P^p(t)| = |P(t)|^p.$$

Then by Cauchy's integral formula for derivatives,

$$p |P'(z)| |P(z)|^{p-1} = \left| \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|t-z|=\frac{\varepsilon(z)}{100}} \frac{P^p(t)}{(t-z)^2} dt \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left| P \left(z + \frac{\varepsilon(z)}{100} e^{i\theta} \right) \right|^p d\theta / \left(\frac{\varepsilon(z)}{100} \right).$$

Since also (by Cauchy or by subharmonicity)

$$|P(z)|^p \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left| P \left(z + \frac{\varepsilon(z)}{100} e^{i\theta} \right) \right|^p d\theta$$

and since $1 - p > 0$, we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} p |P'(z)| \varepsilon(z) &\leq 100 \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left| P \left(z + \frac{\varepsilon(z)}{100} e^{i\theta} \right) \right|^p d\theta \right)^{1/p} \\ \Rightarrow (|P'(z)| \varepsilon(z))^p &\leq \left(\frac{100}{p} \right)^p \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left| P \left(z + \frac{\varepsilon(z)}{100} e^{i\theta} \right) \right|^p d\theta. \end{aligned}$$

Now suppose that P has zeros inside γ . We may assume that it does not have zeros on γ (if necessary change $\varepsilon(z)$ a little and then use continuity). Let $B(z)$ be the Blaschke product formed from the zeros of P inside γ . This is the usual Blaschke product for the unit circle, but scaled to γ so that $|B| = 1$ on γ . Then the above argument applied to (P/B) gives

$$\left(|(P/B)'(z)| \varepsilon(z) \right)^p \leq \left(\frac{100}{p} \right)^p \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left| P \left(z + \frac{\varepsilon(z)}{100} e^{i\theta} \right) \right|^p d\theta.$$

Moreover, as above

$$|P/B(z)|^p \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left| P \left(z + \frac{\varepsilon(z)}{100} e^{i\theta} \right) \right|^p d\theta,$$

while Cauchy's estimates give

$$|B'(z)| \leq \frac{100}{\varepsilon(z)}.$$

Then these last three estimates give

$$\begin{aligned} |P'(z)|^p \varepsilon(z)^p &\leq \left(|(P/B)'(z) B(z)| + |P/B(z)| |B'(z)| \right)^p \varepsilon(z)^p \\ &\leq \left\{ \left(\frac{200}{p} \right)^p + 200^p \right\} \left[\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left| P \left(z + \frac{\varepsilon(z)}{100} e^{i\theta} \right) \right|^p d\theta \right]. \end{aligned}$$

In summary, the last two steps give for all $p > 0$,

$$(12) \quad |P' \varepsilon|^p(z) \leq C_0 \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left| P \left(z + \frac{\varepsilon(z)}{100} e^{i\theta} \right) \right|^p d\theta,$$

where

$$C_0 := 200^p (1 + p^{-p}).$$

(IV) Integrate the Pointwise estimates

We obtain by integration of (12) that

$$(13) \quad \int_{\alpha}^{2\pi-\alpha} |(P' \varepsilon)(e^{i\theta})|^p d\theta \leq C_0 \int |P(z)|^p d\sigma,$$

where the measure σ is defined by

$$(14) \quad \int f d\sigma := \int_{\alpha}^{2\pi-\alpha} \left[\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f \left(e^{is} + \frac{\varepsilon(e^{is})}{100} e^{i\theta} \right) d\theta \right] ds.$$

We now wish to pass from the right-hand side of (13) to an estimate over the whole unit circle. This passage would be permitted by a result of Carleson, provided P is analytic off the unit circle, and provided it has suitable behaviour at ∞ . To take care of the fact that it does not have the correct behaviour at ∞ , we need a conformal map:

(V) **The conformal map Ψ of $\mathbb{C} \setminus \Delta$ onto $\{w : |w| > 1\}$.**

This is given by

$$\Psi(z) = \frac{1}{2 \cos \alpha/2} \left[z + 1 + \sqrt{R(z)} \right],$$

where the branch of $\sqrt{R(z)}$ is chosen so that it is analytic off Δ and behaves like $z(1 + o(1))$ as $z \rightarrow \infty$. Note that $\sqrt{R(z)}$ and hence $\Psi(z)$ have well defined boundary values (both non-tangential and tangential) as z approaches Δ from inside or outside the unit circle, except at $z = e^{\pm i\alpha}$. We denote the boundary values from inside by $\sqrt{R(z)}_+$ and $\Psi(z)_+$ and from outside by $\sqrt{R(z)}_-$ and $\Psi(z)_-$. We also set (unless otherwise specified)

$$\Psi(z) := \Psi(z)_-, z \in \Delta \setminus \{e^{i\alpha}, e^{-i\alpha}\}.$$

See [6] for a detailed discussion and derivation of this conformal map. Let

$$(15) \quad \ell := \text{least positive integer} > \frac{1}{p}.$$

In Lemma 3.2 we shall show that there is a constant C_1 (independent of α, β, n) such that

$$a \in \Delta \text{ and } |z - a| \leq \frac{\varepsilon(a)}{100} \Rightarrow |\Psi(z)|^{n+\ell} \leq C_1.$$

Then we deduce from (13) that

$$(16) \quad \int_{\alpha}^{2\pi-\alpha} |(P'\varepsilon)(e^{i\theta})|^p d\theta \leq C_1^p C_0 \int \left| \frac{P}{\Psi^{n+\ell}} \right|^p d\sigma.$$

Since the form of Carleson's inequality that we use involves functions analytic inside the unit ball, we now split σ into its parts with support inside and outside the unit circle: for measurable S , let

$$(17) \quad \begin{aligned} \sigma^+(S) &:= \sigma(S \cap \{z : |z| < 1\}); \\ \sigma^-(S) &:= \sigma(S \cap \{z : |z| > 1\}). \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, we need to "reflect σ^- through the unit circle": let

$$(18) \quad \sigma^\#(S) := \sigma^-\left(\frac{1}{S}\right) := \sigma^-\left(\left\{\frac{1}{t} : t \in S\right\}\right).$$

Then since the unit circle Γ has $\sigma(\Gamma) = 0$, (16) becomes

$$(19) \quad \int_{\alpha}^{2\pi-\alpha} |(P'\varepsilon)(e^{i\theta})|^p d\theta \leq C_1^p C_0 \left(\int \left| \frac{P}{\Psi^{n+\ell}} \right|^p(t) d\sigma^+(t) + \int \left| \frac{P}{\Psi^{n+\ell}} \right|^p\left(\frac{1}{t}\right) d\sigma^\#(t) \right).$$

We next focus on handling the first integral in the last right-hand side:

(VI) Estimate the integral involving σ^+

We are now ready to apply Carleson's result. Recall that a positive Borel measure μ with support inside the unit ball is called a *Carleson measure* if there exists $A > 0$ such that for every $0 < h < 1$ and every sector

$$S := \{re^{i\theta} : r \in [1 - h, 1]; |\theta - \theta_0| \leq h\}$$

we have

$$\mu(S) \leq Ah.$$

The smallest such A is called the Carleson norm of μ and denoted $N(\mu)$. See [5] for an introduction. One feature of such a measure is the inequality

$$(20) \quad \int |f|^p d\mu \leq C_2 N(\mu) \int_0^{2\pi} |f(e^{i\theta})|^p d\theta$$

valid for every function f in the Hardy p space on the unit ball. Here C_2 depends only on p . See [5, pp. 238] and also [5,p.31;p.63].

Applying this to $P/\Psi^{n+\ell}$ gives

$$(21) \quad \int \left| \frac{P}{\Psi^{n+\ell}} \right|^p d\sigma^+ \leq C_2 N(\sigma^+) \int_0^{2\pi} \left| \frac{P}{\Psi^{n+\ell}}(e^{i\theta}) \right|^p d\theta.$$

(VII) Estimate the integral involving $\sigma^\#$

Suppose that P has degree $\nu \leq n$. As $\Psi(z)/z$ has a finite non-zero limit as $z \rightarrow \infty$, $P(z)/\Psi(z)^\nu$ has a finite non-zero limit as $z \rightarrow \infty$. Then $h(t) := P(\frac{1}{t})/\Psi(\frac{1}{t})^{n+\ell}$ has zeros in $|t| < 1$ corresponding only to zeros of $P(z)$ in $|z| > 1$ and a zero of multiplicity $n + \ell - \nu$ at $t = 0$, corresponding to the zero of $P(z)/\Psi(z)^{n+\ell}$ at $z = \infty$. Then we may apply Carleson's inequality (20) to h . The consequence is that

$$\int \left| \frac{P}{\Psi^{n+\ell}} \right|^p \left(\frac{1}{t} \right) d\sigma^\#(t) \leq C_2 N(\sigma^\#) \int_0^{2\pi} \left| \frac{P}{\Psi^{n+\ell}}(e^{-i\theta}) \right|^p d\theta.$$

Combined with (19) and (21), this gives

$$(22) \quad \int_\alpha^{2\pi-\alpha} |(P'\varepsilon)(e^{i\theta})|^p d\theta \leq C_0 C_1^p C_2 (N(\sigma^+) + N(\sigma^\#)) \int_0^{2\pi} \left| \frac{P}{\Psi^{n+\ell}}(e^{i\theta}) \right|^p d\theta.$$

(VIII) Pass from the Whole Unit Circle to Δ when $p > 1$

Let Γ denote the whole unit circle, and let $|dt|$ denote arclength on Γ . In Step VIII of the proof of Theorem 1.2 in [10], we established an estimate of the form

$$(23) \quad \int_{\Gamma \setminus \Delta} |g(t)|^p |dt| \leq C_3 \left(\int_\Delta |g_+(t)|^p |dt| + |g_-(t)|^p |dt| \right),$$

valid for all functions g analytic in $\mathbb{C} \setminus \Delta$, with limit 0 at ∞ , and interior and exterior boundary values g_+ and g_- for which the right-hand side of (23) is finite. Here,

C_3 depends only on p . We apply this to $g := P/\Psi^{n+\ell}$. Then as Ψ_{\pm} have absolute value 1 on Δ , so that $|g_{\pm}| = |P|$ on Δ , we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Gamma \setminus \Delta} \left| P(t) / \Psi(t)^{n+\ell} \right|^p |dt| &\leq C_3 \int_{\Delta} |P(t)|^p |dt| \\ \Rightarrow \int_0^{2\pi} \left| \frac{P}{\Psi^{n+\ell}}(e^{i\theta}) \right|^p d\theta &\leq \left(\int_{\alpha}^{2\pi-\alpha} |P(e^{i\theta})|^p d\theta \right) (1 + C_3). \end{aligned}$$

Now (22) becomes

$$(24) \quad \int_{\alpha}^{2\pi-\alpha} |(P'_{\varepsilon})(e^{i\theta})|^p d\theta \leq C_0 C_1^p C_2 (1+C_3) (N(\sigma^+) + N(\sigma^{\#})) \int_{\alpha}^{2\pi-\alpha} |P(e^{i\theta})|^p d\theta.$$

(IX) Pass from the Whole Unit Circle to Δ when $p \leq 1$

It is only here that we really need the choice (15) of ℓ . Let

$$q := \ell p (> 1).$$

Then we would like to apply (23) with p replaced by q and with

$$(25) \quad g := (P/\Psi^n)^{p/q} \Psi^{-1} = (P/\Psi^{n+\ell})^{p/q}.$$

The problem is that g does not in general possess the required properties. To circumvent this, we proceed as follows: firstly, we may assume that P has full degree n . For, if P has degree $< n$, we can add a term of the form δz^n , giving $P(z) + \delta z^n$, a polynomial of full degree n . Once (8) is proved for such P , we can then let $\delta \rightarrow 0+$.

So assume that P has degree n . Then P/Ψ^n is analytic in $\mathbb{C} \setminus \Delta$ and has a finite non-zero limit at ∞ , so is analytic at ∞ . Now if all zeros of P lie on Δ , then we may define a single valued branch of g of (25) in $\overline{\mathbb{C}} \setminus \Delta$. Then (23) with q replacing p gives as before

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Gamma \setminus \Delta} |g(t)|^q |dt| &\leq C_3 \left(\int_{\Delta} |g_+(t)|^q |dt| + |g_-(t)|^q |dt| \right) \\ \Rightarrow \int_{\Gamma \setminus \Delta} |P/\Psi^{n+\ell}|^p |dt| &\leq 2C_3 \int_{\Delta} |P(t)|^p |dt| \end{aligned}$$

and then we obtain an estimate similar to (24). When P has zeros in $\mathbb{C} \setminus \Delta$, we adopt a standard procedure to “reflect” these out of $\mathbb{C} \setminus \Delta$. Write

$$P(z) = d \prod_{j=1}^n (z - z_j).$$

For each factor $z - z_j$ in P with $z_j \notin \Delta$, we define

$$b_j(z) := \begin{cases} (z - z_j) / \left(\frac{\Psi(z) - \Psi(z_j)}{1 - \overline{\Psi(z_j)} \Psi(z)} \right), & z \neq z_j \\ \left(1 - |\Psi(z_j)|^2 \right) / \Psi'(z_j), & z = z_j \end{cases}.$$

This is analytic in $\mathbb{C} \setminus \Delta$, does not have any zeros there, and moreover, since as $z \rightarrow \Delta$, $|\Psi(z)| \rightarrow 1$, we see that

$$|b_j(z)| = |z - z_j|, z \in \Delta; |b_j(z)| \geq |z - z_j|, z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \Delta.$$

(Recall that we extended Ψ to Δ as an exterior boundary value). We may now choose a branch of

$$g(z) := \left[d \left(\prod_{z_j \notin \Delta} b_j(z) \right) \left(\prod_{z_j \in \Delta} (z - z_j) \right) / \Psi(z)^n \right]^{p/q} / \Psi(z)$$

that is single valued and analytic in $\mathbb{C} \setminus \Delta$, and has limit 0 at ∞ . Then as Ψ_{\pm} have absolute value 1 on Δ , so that $|g_{\pm}|^q = |P|^p$ on Δ , we deduce from (23) that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Gamma \setminus \Delta} \left| P(t) / \Psi(t)^{n+\ell} \right|^p |dt| &\leq \int_{\Gamma \setminus \Delta} |g(t)|^q |dt| \\ &\leq C_3 \int_{\Delta} (|g_+(t)|^q + |g_-(t)|^q) |dt| = 2C_3 \int_{\Delta} |P(t)|^p |dt| \end{aligned}$$

and again we obtain an estimate similar to (24).

(X) Completion of the proof

We shall show in Lemma 3.3 that

$$(26) \quad N(\sigma^+) + N(\sigma^\#) \leq C_4.$$

Then (24) becomes

$$\int_{\alpha}^{2\pi-\alpha} |(P' \varepsilon_n)(e^{i\theta})|^p d\theta \leq C_5 \int_{\alpha}^{2\pi-\alpha} |P(e^{i\theta})|^p d\theta.$$

So we have (8) with a constant C_5 that depends only on the numerical constants $C_j, 1 \leq j \leq 4$ that arise from

- (a) the bound on the conformal map Ψ ;
- (b) Carleson's inequality (20);
- (c) the norm of the Hilbert transform as an operator on $L_p(\Gamma)$ and the choice of ℓ ;
- (d) the upper bound on the Carleson norms of σ^+ and $\sigma^\#$. \square

3. TECHNICAL ESTIMATES

Throughout we assume (9) to (11). Recall that

$$\begin{aligned} R(e^{i\theta}) &= (e^{i\theta} - e^{i\alpha})(e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\alpha}) \\ &= -4e^{i\theta} \sin\left(\frac{\theta - \alpha}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\theta + \alpha}{2}\right) \\ &= -4e^{i\theta} \left(\cos^2 \frac{\alpha}{2} - \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \\ (27) \quad &= -4e^{i\theta} \left(\sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - \sin^2 \frac{\alpha}{2} \right). \end{aligned}$$

From this, we derive the following bounds, valid for $\theta \in [\alpha, 2\pi - \alpha]$:

$$(28) \quad |R(e^{i\theta})| \leq 4 \left(\sin \frac{\theta}{2} \right)^2;$$

$$(29) \quad |R(e^{i\theta})| \leq 4 \left(\cos \frac{\alpha}{2} \right)^2;$$

$$(30) \quad |R(e^{i\theta})| \leq 4 \left| \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \right| \cos \frac{\alpha}{2}.$$

Our first lemma deals with properties of $\varepsilon(z)$ of (11),

$$\varepsilon(e^{i\theta}) = \varepsilon_n(e^{i\theta}) = \frac{1}{n} \left[\frac{4 \left| \sin\left(\frac{\theta-\alpha}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\theta+\alpha}{2}\right) \right| + \left(\frac{\pi-\alpha}{n}\right)^2}{4 \left(\sin\frac{\theta}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^2} \right]^{1/2}.$$

Note that we drop the subscript n , as in the previous section, to simplify notation.

Lemma 3.1

(a) For $a \in \Delta$,

$$(31) \quad |\varepsilon(e^{i\theta})| \leq 6 \frac{\cos \frac{\alpha}{2}}{n}.$$

(b) For $a, z \in \Delta$,

$$(32) \quad |\varepsilon(z) - \varepsilon(a)| \leq 14 |z - a|.$$

(c) For $a, z \in \Delta$ such that $|z - a| \leq \frac{1}{28} \varepsilon(a)$, we have

$$(33) \quad \frac{1}{2} \leq \frac{\varepsilon(z)}{\varepsilon(a)} \leq \frac{3}{2}.$$

(d) Let $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ be given and let $s \in [0, 2\pi]$ satisfy

$$|e^{is} - e^{i\theta}| \leq r < 2.$$

Then s belongs to a set of linear Lebesgue measure at most $2\pi r$.

Proof

We shall write

$$\begin{aligned} f(\theta) &: = |R(e^{i\theta})| + \left(\frac{\pi - \alpha}{n}\right)^2; \\ g(\theta) &: = 4 \left(\sin\frac{\theta}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^2, \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\varepsilon(e^{i\theta}) = \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{f(\theta)}{g(\theta)} \right)^{1/2}.$$

(a) It follows from (28) that

$$(34) \quad f(\theta) \leq 4 \left(\sin\frac{\theta}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\pi}{n}\right)^2 \leq \pi^2 g(\theta),$$

so that

$$\varepsilon(e^{i\theta}) \leq \frac{\pi}{n}.$$

Also, from the inequality

$$(35) \quad \frac{\pi - \alpha}{\pi} \leq \cos \frac{\alpha}{2} = \sin\left(\frac{\pi - \alpha}{2}\right) \leq \frac{\pi - \alpha}{2},$$

and from (29), we obtain

$$\varepsilon(e^{i\theta}) \leq \frac{(4 + \pi^2)^{1/2}}{n} \frac{\cos \frac{\alpha}{2}}{\left|\sin\frac{\theta}{2}\right|} \leq \frac{4 \cos \alpha/2}{n \sin \alpha/2}.$$

Then the two bounds on ε give

$$\frac{\varepsilon(e^{i\theta})}{\cos \frac{\alpha}{2}} \leq \frac{4}{n} \min \left\{ \frac{1}{\cos \frac{\alpha}{2}}, \frac{1}{\sin \frac{\alpha}{2}} \right\} \leq \frac{6}{n}.$$

(b) Write $z = e^{i\theta}$; $a = e^{is}$. We shall assume, as we may, that

$$(36) \quad \left| \sin \frac{s}{2} \right| \geq \left| \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \right|,$$

or equivalently, that s is closer to π than θ . Note from the definition of f, g and (27) that

$$f(\theta) = g(\theta) + c,$$

where

$$c = -4 \left(\sin \frac{\alpha}{2} \right)^2 + \frac{(\pi - \alpha)^2 - 1}{n^2}.$$

Then

$$\varepsilon(e^{i\theta}) = \frac{1}{n} \left(1 + \frac{c}{g(\theta)} \right)^{1/2},$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} n [\varepsilon(e^{i\theta}) - \varepsilon(e^{is})] &= \frac{\left(1 + \frac{c}{g(\theta)} \right) - \left(1 + \frac{c}{g(s)} \right)}{\left(1 + \frac{c}{g(\theta)} \right)^{1/2} + \left(1 + \frac{c}{g(s)} \right)^{1/2}} \\ &= \frac{c [g(s) - g(\theta)]}{g(\theta) g(s) \left[\left(1 + \frac{c}{g(\theta)} \right)^{1/2} + \left(1 + \frac{c}{g(s)} \right)^{1/2} \right]}. \end{aligned}$$

Here

$$\begin{aligned} |g(s) - g(\theta)| &= 4 \left| \sin \left(\frac{s - \theta}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{s + \theta}{2} \right) \right| \\ &= 2 |e^{is} - e^{i\theta}| \left| \sin \frac{s}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} + \cos \frac{s}{2} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \right| \\ (37) \quad &\leq 4 |e^{is} - e^{i\theta}| \min \left\{ \sin \frac{s}{2}, \cos \frac{\alpha}{2} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

(We have used the fact that $s, \theta \in [\alpha, 2\pi - \alpha]$ and also (36)). Also,

$$\begin{aligned} |c| &\leq 4 \left(\sin \frac{\alpha}{2} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\pi}{n} \right)^2 \\ &\leq 4 \left(\sin \frac{\theta}{2} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\pi}{n} \right)^2 \leq \pi^2 g(\theta). \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} n \left| \frac{\varepsilon(e^{i\theta}) - \varepsilon(e^{is})}{e^{i\theta} - e^{is}} \right| &\leq \frac{4\pi^2 \min \left\{ \sin \frac{s}{2}, \cos \frac{\alpha}{2} \right\}}{g(s) \left(1 + \frac{c}{g(s)} \right)^{1/2}} \\ &= \frac{4\pi^2 \min \left\{ \sin \frac{s}{2}, \cos \frac{\alpha}{2} \right\}}{(f(s) g(s))^{1/2}}. \end{aligned}$$

We now consider two subcases:

Case I: $\alpha \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$

Here we use

$$\begin{aligned} f(s)^{1/2} &\geq \frac{\pi - \alpha}{n} \geq \frac{\pi}{2n}; \\ g(s)^{1/2} &\geq 2 \left| \sin \frac{s}{2} \right|, \end{aligned}$$

to deduce

$$\left| \frac{\varepsilon(e^{i\theta}) - \varepsilon(e^{is})}{e^{i\theta} - e^{is}} \right| \leq 4\pi < 14.$$

Case II: $\alpha > \frac{\pi}{2}$

Here we use

$$f(s)^{1/2} \geq \frac{\pi - \alpha}{n} \geq \frac{2 \cos \frac{\alpha}{2}}{n},$$

by (35), and also

$$g(s)^{1/2} \geq 2 \left| \sin \frac{s}{2} \right| \geq 2 \sin \frac{\pi}{4}$$

to deduce

$$\left| \frac{\varepsilon(e^{i\theta}) - \varepsilon(e^{is})}{e^{i\theta} - e^{is}} \right| \leq \frac{\pi^2}{\sin \frac{\pi}{4}} < 14.$$

(c) This is an immediate consequence of (b).

(d) Our restrictions on s, θ give

$$\left| \frac{s - \theta}{2} \right| \in [0, \pi].$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \sin \left| \frac{s - \theta}{2} \right| = \frac{1}{2} |e^{is} - e^{i\theta}| \leq \frac{r}{2} \\ \Rightarrow \left| \frac{s - \theta}{2} \right| &\in \left[0, \arcsin \frac{r}{2} \right] \cup \left[\pi - \arcsin \frac{r}{2}, \pi \right]. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that s can lie in a set of linear Lebesgue measure at most $8 \arcsin \frac{r}{2}$. The inequality

$$\arcsin u \leq \frac{\pi}{2} u, u \in [0, 1]$$

then gives the result. \square

We next discuss the growth of the conformal map

$$(38) \quad \Psi(z) = \frac{1}{2 \cos \frac{\alpha}{2}} \left[z + 1 + \sqrt{R(z)} \right],$$

mapping $\mathbb{C} \setminus \Delta$ onto $\{w : |w| > 1\}$. The proof here is more complex than that in [7], because of the more difficult choice of $\varepsilon(z)$.

Lemma 3.2

Let $\ell \geq 1$. For $a \in \Delta$ and $z \in \mathbb{C}$ such that

$$(39) \quad |z - a| \leq \varepsilon(a)/100,$$

we have

$$(40) \quad |\Psi(z)|^{n+\ell} \leq C_0.$$

Here C_0 depends on ℓ , but is independent of n, α, z .

Proof

We shall assume that $|z| \geq 1$. The case $|z| < 1$ is similar. Let us write

$$(41) \quad z = te^{i\theta} = e^{i\xi} \text{ where } \xi = \theta - i \log t$$

and set

$$v := e^{i\theta}.$$

We consider two subcases.

(A) Suppose that $v \in \Delta$.

We shall show that for some numerical constant C_1 ,

$$(42) \quad |\Psi(z) - \Psi(v)| = |\Psi(z) - \Psi(v)_-| \leq \frac{C_1}{n+1}.$$

Then as $|\Psi(v)| = 1$, we obtain

$$|\Psi(z)|^{n+\ell} \leq \left(1 + \frac{C_1}{n+1}\right)^{n+\ell} \leq C_0.$$

First we see that

$$(43) \quad \begin{aligned} |\Psi(z) - \Psi(v)| &\leq \frac{|z-v|}{2 \cos \alpha/2} + \frac{|\sqrt{R(z)} - \sqrt{R(v)}|}{2 \cos \alpha/2} \\ &=: T_1 + T_2. \end{aligned}$$

Here

$$T_1 = \frac{|z-v|}{2 \cos \alpha/2} \leq \frac{|z-a|}{2 \cos \alpha/2} \leq \frac{\varepsilon(a)}{200 \cos \frac{\alpha}{2}} \leq \frac{1}{n+1},$$

by Lemma 3.1(a). We turn to the more difficult estimation of

$$(44) \quad T_2 := \frac{|\sqrt{R(z)} - \sqrt{R(v)}|}{2 \cos \alpha/2}.$$

We see from (10) that

$$\begin{aligned} R(v) - R(z) &= (v^2 - 2(\cos \alpha)v + 1) - (z^2 - 2(\cos \alpha)z + 1) \\ &= (v-z)(z-v + 2(v - \cos \alpha)) \\ &= -(v-z)^2 + 2(v-z)(\cos \theta - \cos \alpha) + 2i(\sin \theta)(v-z). \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$(45) \quad \begin{aligned} |R(z) - R(v)| &\leq |v-z| \left(|v-z| + 4 \left(\cos^2 \frac{\alpha}{2} - \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right) + 2|\sin \theta| \right) \\ &= |v-z| (|v-z| + |R(v)| + 2|\sin \theta|), \end{aligned}$$

see (27). We now consider two subcases:

Case I: $|R(v)| \leq \left(\frac{\pi-\alpha}{n}\right)^2$

Then as

$$|a-v| \leq |a-z| \leq \varepsilon(a)/100,$$

Lemma 3.1 (c), followed by (11), gives

$$\varepsilon(a) \leq 2\varepsilon(v) \leq \frac{2\sqrt{2}\left(\frac{\pi-\alpha}{n}\right)}{n\left(\left(\sin\frac{\theta}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^2\right)^{1/2}} \leq 2\sqrt{2}\frac{\pi-\alpha}{n} \min\left\{1, \frac{1}{n|\sin\frac{\theta}{2}|}\right\}.$$

Also,

$$|v-z| \leq |a-z| \leq \frac{\varepsilon(a)}{100} \leq C\frac{\pi-\alpha}{n}.$$

Then (45) and our assumption on $R(v)$ give

$$\begin{aligned} |R(z) - R(v)| &\leq C\left\{\left(\frac{\pi-\alpha}{n}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\pi-\alpha}{n}\right)^2 + \varepsilon(a)2\left|\sin\frac{\theta}{2}\right|\left|\cos\frac{\theta}{2}\right|\right\} \\ &\leq C\left\{\left(\frac{\pi-\alpha}{n}\right)^2 + \frac{\pi-\alpha}{n^2|\sin\frac{\theta}{2}|}\left|\sin\frac{\theta}{2}\right|\left|\cos\frac{\alpha}{2}\right|\right\} \\ &\leq C\left(\frac{\pi-\alpha}{n}\right)^2, \end{aligned}$$

recall also that $\cos\frac{\theta}{2} \leq \cos\frac{\alpha}{2}$. Hence

$$|R(z)| \leq C\left(\frac{\pi-\alpha}{n}\right)^2.$$

Then we see from (44) that

$$(46) \quad T_2 \leq \frac{C}{n}.$$

Case II: $|R(v)| > \left(\frac{\pi-\alpha}{n}\right)^2$

As above, Lemma 3.1 (c) gives

$$(47) \quad \varepsilon(a) \leq 2\varepsilon(v) \leq \frac{2\sqrt{2}|R(v)|^{1/2}}{n\left(\left(\sin\frac{\theta}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^2\right)^{1/2}} \leq 2\sqrt{2}|R(v)|^{1/2} \min\left\{1, \frac{1}{n|\sin\frac{\theta}{2}|}\right\}.$$

Then (45) and the fact that $|R(v)| \leq 4$ give

$$\begin{aligned} |R(z) - R(v)| &\leq \frac{\varepsilon(a)}{100}\left(\frac{\varepsilon(a)}{100} + |R(v)| + 2\left|\sin\frac{\theta}{2}\right|\left|\cos\frac{\theta}{2}\right|\right) \\ &\leq \frac{8}{10,000}|R(v)| + \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{100}|R(v)| + \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{100}\frac{|R(v)|^{1/2}}{n}\cos\frac{\alpha}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

But

$$|R(v)|^{1/2} > \frac{\pi-\alpha}{n} \geq 2\frac{\cos\frac{\alpha}{2}}{n}$$

so

$$|R(z) - R(v)| \leq \frac{1}{4}|R(v)|.$$

It then follows that for some numerical constant C ,

$$\left|\sqrt{R(v)} - \sqrt{R(z)}\right| \leq C\frac{|R(v) - R(z)|}{\sqrt{|R(v)|}}.$$

(See the proof of Lemma 3.2 in [7] for a detailed justification of this inequality). Then from (44) and (45),

$$(48) \quad \begin{aligned} T_2 &\leq C \left\{ \frac{|v-z|^2}{\cos \frac{\alpha}{2} |R(v)|^{1/2}} + \frac{|v-z| |R(v)|^{1/2}}{\cos \frac{\alpha}{2}} + \frac{|\sin \theta| |v-z|}{|R(v)|^{1/2} \cos \frac{\alpha}{2}} \right\} \\ &= : C \{T_{21} + T_{22} + T_{23}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Here from (31), (47),

$$\begin{aligned} T_{21} &= \frac{|v-z|^2}{\cos \frac{\alpha}{2} |R(v)|^{1/2}} \leq \frac{\varepsilon(a)^2}{\cos \frac{\alpha}{2} |R(v)|^{1/2}} \\ &\leq \frac{\left(6 \frac{\cos \frac{\alpha}{2}}{n}\right) \left(2\sqrt{2} |R(v)|^{1/2}\right)}{\cos \frac{\alpha}{2} |R(v)|^{1/2}} = \frac{12\sqrt{2}}{n}. \end{aligned}$$

Next,

$$T_{22} = \frac{|v-z| |R(v)|^{1/2}}{\cos \frac{\alpha}{2}} \leq \frac{\varepsilon(a) \cdot 2}{\cos \frac{\alpha}{2}} \leq \frac{12}{n},$$

by (31). Finally,

$$\begin{aligned} T_{23} &= \frac{|\sin \theta| |v-z|}{|R(v)|^{1/2} \cos \frac{\alpha}{2}} \leq \frac{2 |\sin \frac{\theta}{2}| \left(\cos \frac{\alpha}{2}\right) \varepsilon(a)}{|R(v)|^{1/2} \cos \frac{\alpha}{2}} \\ &\leq \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{n}, \end{aligned}$$

by (47). Then these estimates and (48) give

$$T_2 \leq C/n,$$

and then we have the desired inequality (42).

(B) Suppose that $v \notin \Delta$.

Then $\theta \in [0, \alpha]$ or $\theta \in (2\pi - \alpha, 2\pi]$. We assume the former. We also assume that $a = e^{is}$ with $s \in [\alpha, \pi]$ (the case $s \in (\pi, 2\pi - \alpha]$ is easier). Then

$$(49) \quad \begin{aligned} |\Psi(z) - \Psi(e^{i\alpha})| &= \frac{1}{2 \cos \frac{\alpha}{2}} \left| z - e^{i\alpha} + \sqrt{R(z)} \right| \\ &\leq \frac{|z - e^{i\alpha}|}{2 \cos \frac{\alpha}{2}} + \frac{|R(z)|^{1/2}}{2 \cos \frac{\alpha}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

Here, as above,

$$|z - e^{i\alpha}| \leq |z - a| + |a - e^{i\alpha}| \leq \frac{\varepsilon(a)}{50},$$

so from Lemma 3.1(c),

$$(50) \quad \varepsilon(a) \leq 2\varepsilon(e^{i\alpha}) = \frac{2 \left(\frac{\pi-\alpha}{n}\right)}{n \left(4 \left(\sin \frac{\alpha}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{n^2}\right)^{1/2}} \leq 2\pi \frac{\cos \frac{\alpha}{2}}{n} \min \left\{ 1, \frac{1}{n |\sin \frac{\alpha}{2}|} \right\}.$$

Then from (31),

$$(51) \quad \frac{|z - e^{i\alpha}|}{2 \cos \frac{\alpha}{2}} \leq \frac{\varepsilon(a)}{100 \cos \frac{\alpha}{2}} \leq \frac{6}{n}.$$

Next,

$$\begin{aligned}
|R(z)| &= |z - e^{i\alpha}| |z - e^{-i\alpha}| \\
&\leq |z - e^{i\alpha}| (|z - e^{i\alpha}| + 2 \sin \alpha) \\
&\leq \varepsilon(a)^2 + \frac{\varepsilon(e^{i\alpha})}{25} 2 \sin \frac{\alpha}{2} \cos \frac{\alpha}{2} \\
&\leq C \left(\frac{\cos \frac{\alpha}{2}}{n} \right)^2 + C \frac{\pi - \alpha}{n^2} \cos \frac{\alpha}{2} \\
&\leq C \left(\frac{\cos \frac{\alpha}{2}}{n} \right)^2.
\end{aligned}$$

Here we have used (50). This last inequality and (49), (51) give

$$|\Psi(z)| \leq |\Psi(e^{i\alpha})| + \frac{C}{n} = 1 + \frac{C}{n},$$

and again (42) follows. \square

We next estimate the norms of the Carleson measures $\sigma^+, \sigma^\#$ defined by (14) and (17-18). Recall that the Carleson norm $N(\mu)$ of a measure μ with support in the unit ball is the least A such that

$$(52) \quad \mu(S) \leq Ah,$$

for every $0 < h < 1$ and for every sector

$$(53) \quad S := \{re^{i\theta} : r \in [1-h, 1]; |\theta - \theta_0| \leq h\}.$$

Lemma 3.3

(a)

$$(54) \quad N(\sigma^+) \leq c_1.$$

(b)

$$(55) \quad N(\sigma^\#) \leq c_2.$$

Proof

(a) We proceed much as in [7] or [8] or [10]. Let S be the sector (53) and let γ be a circle centre a , radius $\frac{\varepsilon(a)}{100} > 0$. A necessary condition for γ to intersect S is that

$$|a - e^{i\theta_0}| \leq \frac{\varepsilon(a)}{100} + h.$$

(Note that each point of S that is on the unit circle is at most h in distance from $e^{i\theta_0}$.) Using Lemma 3.1(b), we continue this as

$$\begin{aligned}
|a - e^{i\theta_0}| &\leq \frac{\varepsilon(e^{i\theta_0})}{100} + \frac{14}{100} |a - e^{i\theta_0}| + h \\
(56) \quad &\Rightarrow |a - e^{i\theta_0}| \leq \frac{\varepsilon(e^{i\theta_0})}{86} + 2h =: \lambda
\end{aligned}$$

Next $\gamma \cap S$ consists of at most three arcs (draw a picture!) and as each such arc is convex, it has length at most $4h$. Therefore the total angular measure of $\gamma \cap S$ is

at most $12h/(\varepsilon(a)/100)$. It also obviously does not exceed 2π . Thus if χ_S denote the characteristic function of S ,

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \chi_S(a + \varepsilon(a)e^{i\theta}) d\theta \leq \min \left\{ 2\pi, \frac{1200h}{\varepsilon(a)} \right\}.$$

Then from (14) and (17), we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma^+(S) \leq \sigma(S) &\leq \int_{[\alpha, 2\pi-\alpha] \cap \{s: |e^{is} - e^{i\theta_0}| \leq \lambda\}} \left[\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \chi_S \left(e^{is} + \frac{\varepsilon(e^{is})}{100} e^{i\theta} \right) d\theta \right] ds \\ (57) \quad &\leq C_1 \int_{[\alpha, 2\pi-\alpha] \cap \{s: |e^{is} - e^{i\theta_0}| \leq \lambda\}} \min \left\{ 1, \frac{h}{\varepsilon(e^{is})} \right\} ds. \end{aligned}$$

Here C_1 is a numerical constant. We now consider two subcases:

(I) $h \leq \varepsilon(e^{i\theta_0})/100$

In this case,

$$\lambda < \frac{\varepsilon(e^{i\theta_0})}{25} < 1,$$

recall (31). Then Lemma 3.1(d) shows that s in the integral in (57) lies in a set of linear Lebesgue measure at most

$$2\pi \cdot \frac{\varepsilon(e^{i\theta_0})}{25}.$$

Also Lemma 3.1 (c) gives

$$\varepsilon(e^{is}) \geq \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon(e^{i\theta_0}).$$

So (57) becomes

$$\sigma^+(S) \leq \sigma(S) \leq C_1 \left(2\pi \cdot \frac{\varepsilon(e^{i\theta_0})}{25} \right) \left(2 \frac{h}{\varepsilon(e^{i\theta_0})} \right) = C_2 h.$$

(II) $h > \varepsilon(e^{i\theta_0})/100$

In this case $\lambda < 4h$. If $h < \frac{1}{2}$, we obtain from Lemma 3.1(d) that s in the integral in (57) lies in a set of linear Lebesgue measure at most $2\pi \cdot 4h$. Then (57) becomes

$$\sigma^+(S) \leq \sigma(S) \leq C_1 (2\pi \cdot 4h) = C_2 h.$$

If $h > \frac{1}{2}$, it is easier to use

$$\sigma^+(S) \leq \sigma(S) \leq \sigma(\mathbb{C}) \leq 2\pi \leq 4\pi h.$$

In summary, we have proved that

$$N(\sigma^+) = \sup_{S,h} \frac{\sigma^+(S)}{h} \leq C_3,$$

where C_3 is independent of n, α, β . (It is also independent of p .)

(b) Recall that if S is the sector (53), then

$$\sigma^\#(S) = \sigma^-(1/S) \leq \sigma(1/S),$$

where

$$1/S = \left\{ r e^{i\theta} : r \in \left[1, \frac{1}{1-h} \right]; |\theta + \theta_0| \leq h \right\}.$$

For small h , say for $h \in [0, 1/2]$, so that

$$\frac{1}{1-h} \leq 1 + 2h,$$

we see that exact same argument as in (a) gives

$$\sigma^\#(S) \leq \sigma(1/S) \leq C_4 h.$$

When $h \geq 1/2$, it is easier to use

$$\sigma^\#(S)/h \leq 2\sigma^\#(\mathbb{C}) \leq 2\sigma(\mathbb{C}) \leq 4\pi.$$

□

4. THE PROOF OF THEOREM 1.2

We deduce Theorem 1.2 from Theorem 1.3 as follows: if s_n is a trigonometric polynomial of degree $\leq n$, we may write

$$s_n(\theta) = e^{-in\theta} P(e^{i\theta}),$$

where P is an algebraic polynomial of degree $\leq 2n$. Then

$$|s'_n(\theta)| \varepsilon_{2n}(\varepsilon^{i\theta}) \leq n |P(e^{i\theta})| \varepsilon_{2n}(e^{i\theta}) + |P'(e^{i\theta})| \varepsilon_{2n}(\varepsilon^{i\theta}).$$

Moreover,

$$|e^{i\theta} - e^{i\alpha}| |e^{i\theta} - e^{i\beta}| = 4 \left| \sin\left(\frac{\theta - \alpha}{2}\right) \right| \left| \sin\left(\frac{\theta - \beta}{2}\right) \right|,$$

and

$$\left| e^{i\theta} + e^{i\frac{\alpha+\beta}{2}} \right|^2 = 4 \left(\cos\left(\theta - \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}\right) \right)^2.$$

These last three relations, the fact that $n\varepsilon_{2n}(e^{i\theta})$ is bounded independently of n, θ, α, β and Theorem 1.3 easily imply (4). □

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