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1. Let

$$\varphi_0(t), \varphi_1(t), \varphi_2(t), \dots, \varphi_n(t), \dots$$

be a system of orthogonal functions which are *limited* and *integrable* in the interval  $(0 \leq t \leq 1)$  and are such that

$$\int_0^1 \varphi_m(t) \varphi_n(t) dt = 0 \quad (m \neq n),$$
$$= 1 \quad (m = n), \quad (m, n = 0, 1, 2, \dots).$$

Let  $f(\theta)$  be a function which is *limited* and *integrable* in the interval  $(0 \leq \theta \leq 1)$ , then the series of orthogonal functions  $\varphi_n(\theta)$  corresponding to  $f(\theta)$  is

$$(1) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \varphi_n(\theta) \int_0^1 f(t) \varphi_n(t) dt.$$

Now consider the plane curve  $C$  defined by

$$(2) \quad x = x(\theta), \quad y = y(\theta),$$

where the two functions  $x(\theta)$  and  $y(\theta)$  are *limited* and *integrable* in the interval  $(0 \leq \theta \leq 1)$ ; and denote by  $D$  the closed least convex domain which contains the curve  $C$ .

If we put

$$(3) \quad x_n^{(r)}(\theta) = \int_0^1 x(t) K_n^{(r)}(\theta, t) dt,$$
$$y_n^{(r)}(\theta) = \int_0^1 y(t) K_n^{(r)}(\theta, t) dt,$$

where



$$(4) \quad K_n^{(r)}(\theta, t) = \varphi_0(\theta)\varphi_0(t) + \frac{n-1}{n+r-1}\varphi_1(\theta)\varphi_1(t) + \frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{(n+r-1)(n+r-2)}\varphi_2(\theta)\varphi_2(t) + \dots + \frac{(n-1)!}{(n+r-1)(n+r-2)\dots(r+1)}\varphi_{n-1}(\theta)\varphi_{n-1}(t),$$

the curve  $C_n^{(r)}$  defined by

$$(5) \quad x = x_n^{(r)}(\theta), \quad y = y_n^{(r)}(\theta)$$

will be called the  $n^{\text{th}}$  curve of the  $r^{\text{th}}$  mean (in Cesàro's sense) of  $C$ .

Prof. Fejér proved that when

$$1, \sqrt{2}\cos 2\pi t, \sqrt{2}\sin 2\pi t, \dots, \sqrt{2}\cos 2n\pi t, \sqrt{2}\sin 2n\pi t, \dots$$

are taken as the system of orthogonal functions, then all the curves  $C_n^{(r)}$  ( $n=1, 2, \dots$ ) of any curve  $C$  are contained in the domain  $D$  <sup>(1)</sup>.

In this note I propose to find a necessary and sufficient condition that all the curves  $C_n^{(r)}$  ( $n=1, 2, \dots$ ) of any curve  $C$  should be contained in the domain  $D$  (§ 4). Also I will give a theorem on the summability (the convergency of the sequence of  $C_n^{(r)}$  ( $n=1, 2, \dots$ )) in § 6, and lastly in § 7 remark that all the sum curves  $C_n^{(0)}$  ( $n=1, 2, \dots$ ) of any curves  $C$  for the series of Haar's functions are contained in  $D$ .

I.

2. I will begin with the lemma:

Let  $K(t)$  be a given function which is limited and integrable in the interval  $(0 \leqq t \leqq 1)$ . Then in order that the point

$$X = \int_0^1 x(t) K(t) dt, \quad Y = \int_0^1 y(t) K(t) dt$$

may be contained in the domain  $D$  for any curve  $C$

$$x = x(t), \quad y = y(t),$$

it should be

$$K(t) \geqq 0$$

at every point of the interval  $(0 \leqq t \leqq 1)$  at which it is continuous.

(1) Fejér, "Über gewisse durch die Fouriersche und Laplacesche Reihe definierten Mittelkurven und Mittelflächen," Rend. Palermo, 38 (1914), p. 79.

Since  $K(t)$  is limited and integrable in the interval  $(0 \leqq t \leqq 1)$ , it must have points of continuity in any subinterval of  $(0 \leqq t \leqq 1)$ . Let us denote by  $(A)$  all the subintervals in which  $K(t) \geqq 0$  and by  $(B)$  those in which  $K(t) < 0$ . If we take

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= 1 && \text{when } t \text{ belongs to } (B), \\ &= 0 && \text{when } t \text{ does not belong to } (B); \\ y(t) &= \sin 2\pi t && \text{throughout } 0 \leqq t \leqq 1, \end{aligned}$$

then the domain  $D$  for the curve  $C$  is enclosed in the rectangle

$$0 \leqq x \leqq 1, \quad -1 \leqq y \leqq 1.$$

But since

$$X = \int_{(B)} x(t) K(t) dt = \int_{(B)} K(t) dt < 0,$$

the point  $(X, Y)$  lies outside the domain  $D$ , which proves the lemma.

Applying this lemma to (3) we have the first necessary condition: In order that all the curves  $C_n^{(r)}$  ( $n=1, 2, \dots$ ) of any curve  $C$  should be contained in  $D$ , we must have

$$(6) \quad K_n^{(r)}(\theta, t) \geqq 0, \quad (n=1, 2, \dots)$$

at every point of the domain  $(0 \leqq \theta \leqq 1, 0 \leqq t \leqq 1)$  at which they are continuous.

3. Next I will prove the second lemma:

In order that the curve  $C_1^{(r)}$  of any curve  $C$  may be contained in  $D$ , it is necessary that

$$\varphi_0(t) = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad -1$$

at every point of the interval  $(0 \leqq t \leqq 1)$  at which it is continuous.

(i) Firstly we have from (6)

$$\varphi_0(\theta)\varphi_0(t) \geqq 0$$

at every point of the domain  $(0 \leqq \theta \leqq 1, 0 \leqq t \leqq 1)$  at which  $\varphi_0(\theta)\varphi_0(t)$  is continuous; so that  $\varphi_0(t)$  must have a definite sign at all points of the interval  $(0 \leqq t \leqq 1)$  at which it is continuous. (For the sake of brevity, this set of points will be denoted by  $E$ ).

Next since

$$\int_0^1 \varphi_0^2(t) dt = 1,$$



$\varphi_0(t)$  can not vanish identically throughout  $E$ . So we may suppose that this function is non-negative throughout  $E$ .

Also from the last identity we can infer that  $\varphi_0(t)$  is neither always greater nor always smaller than 1 throughout  $E$ .

(ii) Now let us denote by  $M$  the absolute maximum of  $\varphi_0(t)$  in  $E$ , and suppose

$$\varphi_0(\theta_1) = M > 1,$$

where  $\theta_1$  belongs to  $E$ . Since  $\varphi_0(t)$  can not be equal to  $M$  identically throughout  $E$ , we have

$$\int_0^1 M \varphi_0(t) dt > \int_0^1 \varphi_0^2(t) dt = 1.$$

If we take the curve

$$x = x(t) = t \quad (0 \leq t \leq 1);$$

$$y = y(t) = 0 \quad (t = 0),$$

$$= M \quad (0 < t \leq 1),$$

the domain  $D$  becomes the triangle having the vertices  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(0, M)$ ,  $(1, M)$ . On the other hand, since

$$y_1^{(r)}(\theta) = \varphi_0(\theta) \int_0^1 M \varphi_0(t) dt > \varphi_0(\theta),$$

we have

$$y_1^{(r)}(\theta_1) > \varphi_0(\theta_1) = M;$$

so that the domain  $D$  can not contain the whole part of the curve  $C_1^{(r)}$ .

Consequently we must have  $M=1$ , from which it follows that  $\varphi_0(t)=1$  throughout  $E$ .

This lemma leads us to the second necessary condition: In order that all the curves  $C_n^{(r)}$  ( $n=1, 2, \dots$ ) of any curve  $C$  should be contained in  $D$ , it must be

$$(7) \quad \varphi_0(t) = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad -1$$

at every point of the interval  $(0 \leq t \leq 1)$  at which it is continuous<sup>(1)</sup>.

(1) By kind information of Prof. Fujiwara we add here the following remark: It may be directly proved in order that the point  $(X, Y)$  for any curve  $C$  should be contained in  $D$  it is necessary and sufficient that

4. Thus we have had two necessary conditions. Here I will prove that these two conditions are sufficient.

By the second condition we have

$$\varphi_0(t) = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad -1$$

at every point of the interval  $(0 \leq t \leq 1)$  at which it is continuous, so that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \varphi_n(t) dt &= \pm \int_0^1 \varphi_0(t) \varphi_n(t) dt \\ &= 0, \quad (n=1, 2, \dots). \end{aligned}$$

But since (4) gives

$$K_n^{(r)}(\theta, t) = 1 + \frac{n-1}{n+r-1} \varphi_1(\theta) \varphi_1(t) + \dots + \frac{(n-1)!}{(n+r-1) \dots (r+1)} \varphi_{n-1}(\theta) \varphi_{n-1}(t),$$

we obtain the identities:

$$(8) \quad \int_0^1 K_n^{(r)}(\theta, t) dt = 1, \quad (n=1, 2, \dots).$$

Therefore equations (3) may be written

$$x_n^{(r)}(\theta) = \frac{\int_0^1 x(t) K_n^{(r)}(\theta, t) dt}{\int_0^1 K_n^{(r)}(\theta, t) dt},$$

$$(n=1, 2, \dots),$$

$$y_n^{(r)}(\theta) = \frac{\int_0^1 y(t) K_n^{(r)}(\theta, t) dt}{\int_0^1 K_n^{(r)}(\theta, t) dt}.$$

But by the first condition we have

$$(6) \quad K_n^{(r)}(\theta, t) \geq 0 \quad (n=1, 2, \dots)$$

at every point of the domain  $(0 \leq \theta \leq 1, 0 \leq t \leq 1)$  at which they are

$$1^\circ \quad K(t) \geq 0; \quad 2^\circ \quad \int_0^1 K(t) dt = 1.$$

For the present case the condition 2° is equivalent to  $\varphi_0^2=1$ ; it is, however, proved in the text that 2° is a consequence of 1°.



continuous; consequently, by a theorem due to Weierstrass, all the curves  $C_n^{(r)}$  ( $n=1, 2, \dots$ ) lie in the domain  $D$ .

Therefore we arrive at the theorem:

**Theorem I.** *A necessary and sufficient condition that all the curves  $C_n^{(r)}$  ( $n=1, 2, \dots$ ) for any curve  $C$  may lie in the domain  $D$  is that the orthogonal functions  $\varphi_n(t)$  should satisfy*

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_0(t) &= \pm 1, \\ K_n^{(r)}(\theta, t) &\geq 0, \quad (n=2, 3, \dots)^{(1)} \end{aligned}$$

at every point of the domain ( $0 \leq \theta \leq 1, 0 \leq t \leq 1$ ) at which  $\varphi_0(t)$  and  $K_n^{(r)}(\theta, t)$  are continuous.

**II.**

**5.** As the first application of the above theorem we consider the relation between the curves  $C_n^{(r)}$  and  $C_n^{(r+1)}$ .

By means of the formula, which is easily seen,

$$K_n^{(r+1)}(\theta, t) = \frac{A_1^{(r)} K_1^{(r)}(\theta, t) + A_2^{(r)} K_2^{(r)}(\theta, t) + \dots + A_n^{(r)} K_n^{(r)}(\theta, t)}{A_1^{(r)} + A_2^{(r)} + \dots + A_n^{(r)}},$$

where

$$A_n^{(r)} = \frac{(r+1)(r+2)\dots(r+n-1)}{(n-1)!},$$

it follows that if

$$K_n^{(r)}(\theta, t) \geq 0 \quad (n=1, 2, \dots),$$

then

$$K_n^{(r+1)}(\theta, t) \geq 0 \quad (n=1, 2, \dots).$$

Consequently we have the theorem:

**Theorem II.** *When all the curves  $C_n^{(r)}$  ( $n=1, 2, \dots$ ) for any curve  $C$  lie in the domain  $D$ , all the curves  $C_n^{(r+1)}$  ( $n=1, 2, \dots$ ) have the same nature.*

**6.** As the second application we come to the problem of summability.

When the function  $f(t)$  is limited and integrable in the interval

<sup>(1)</sup> From  $\varphi_0(t) = \pm 1$ , it follows that

$$K_1^{(r)}(\theta, t) = 1 > 0.$$

( $0 \leq t \leq 1$ ) and moreover there exist the  $n$  constants  $c_0, c_1, \dots, c_{n-1}$ , such that

$$|f(t) - c_0 \varphi_0(t) - c_1 \varphi_1(t) - \dots - c_{n-1} \varphi_{n-1}(t)| < \delta, \quad (0 \leq t \leq 1),$$

corresponding to any given positive number  $\delta$ ,  $f(t)$  is said to lie within the domain of the orthogonal functions  $\varphi_n(t)$ .

Now applying the method of Prof. Haar<sup>(1)</sup> to the series (1), we can show that when there exists a fixed positive number  $M$ , independent of  $n$  and  $\theta$  ( $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$ ), such that

$$\int_0^1 |K_n^{(r)}(\theta, t)| dt < M,$$

the  $r^{\text{th}}$  mean of the series (1) corresponding to any function  $f(t)$ , lying within the domain of the orthogonal functions  $\varphi_n(t)$ , converges to  $f(\theta)$  at every point of the interval ( $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$ ) at which it is continuous.

But if all the curves  $C_n^{(r)}$  ( $n=1, 2, \dots$ ) for any curve  $C$  lie in the domain  $D$ , then

$$(6) \quad K_n^{(r)}(\theta, t) \geq 0, \quad (n=1, 2, \dots)$$

at every point of the domain ( $0 \leq \theta \leq 1, 0 \leq t \leq 1$ ) at which they are continuous; and

$$(8) \quad \int_0^1 K_n^{(r)}(\theta, t) dt = 1, \quad (n=1, 2, \dots);$$

so that

$$\int_0^1 |K_n^{(r)}(\theta, t)| dt = 1.$$

Hence we can infer the theorem:

**Theorem III.** *If all the curves  $C_n^{(r)}$  ( $n=1, 2, \dots$ ) for any curve  $C$ :*

$$x = x(\theta), \quad y = y(\theta), \quad (0 \leq \theta \leq 1),$$

where  $x(\theta)$  and  $y(\theta)$  are functions lying within the domain of the orthogonal functions  $\varphi_n(\theta)$ , lie in the domain  $D$ , then the sequence of curves  $C_n^{(r)}$  ( $n=1, 2, \dots$ ) converges to that curve  $C$  at every point of the curve at which it is continuous.

**7.** Lastly we will give some simple examples.

**I.** If we take the system of orthogonal functions such as

<sup>(1)</sup> Haar, "Zur Theorie der orthogonalen Funktionensysteme," 1. Mitteilung, Math. Ann., 69 (1910), p. 331.



$$(i) \quad \varphi_n(t) = \sqrt{2} \sin n\pi t, \quad (n=0, 1, 2, \dots);$$

or

$$(ii) \quad \varphi_n(t) = J(\sqrt{\lambda_n} t) \left[ \int_0^1 J^2(\sqrt{\lambda_n} t) dt \right]^{-\frac{1}{2}}, \quad (n=0, 1, 2, \dots),$$

$J$  being the Bessel function of the 0<sup>th</sup> order and  $\lambda_n$  the  $n^{\text{th}}$  roots of the equation

$$J(\sqrt{\lambda}) = 0,$$

then the identity

$$\varphi_0(t) = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad -1$$

does not hold.

In such cases we can choose the curve  $C$  for which the domain  $D$  can not contain all the curves  $C_n^{(r)}$  ( $n=1, 2, \dots$ ) however great  $r$  is taken (See § 3).

II. As the second example, we consider the system of Haar's functions <sup>(1)</sup>:

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_0(t) &= 1 & 0 \leq t \leq 1; \\ \varphi_n^{(k)}(t) &= 0 & 0 \leq t < (2k-2)2^{-n}, \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{2^{n-1}}, & t = (2k-2)2^{-n}, \\ &= \sqrt{2^{n-1}}, & (2k-2)2^{-n} < t < (2k-1)2^{-n}, \\ &= 0, & t = (2k-1)2^{-n}, \\ &= -\sqrt{2^{n-1}}, & (2k-1)2^{-n} < t < 2k \cdot 2^{-n}, \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{2^{n-1}}, & t = 2k \cdot 2^{-n}, \\ &= 0, & 2k \cdot 2^{-n} < t \leq 1, \\ & & (k=1, 2, \dots, 2^{n-1}). \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\varphi_0(t) = 1, \varphi_1(t), \varphi_2^{(1)}(t), \varphi_2^{(2)}(t), \varphi_3^{(1)}(t), \varphi_3^{(2)}(t), \dots$$

form a system of orthogonal functions, and it is seen, as Prof. Haar proved, that

$$\begin{aligned} K_n^{(0)}(\theta, t) &\geq 0, \quad (n=2, 3, \dots), \\ 0 \leq \theta \leq 1, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1. \end{aligned}$$

<sup>(1)</sup> Haar, loc. cit.

Hence we have the theorem:

Theorem IV. All the sum curves  $C_n^{(0)}$  ( $n=1, 2, \dots$ ) for any curve  $C$ , corresponding to the series of Haar's function, lie in the domain  $D$ .

III. As the third example, we take the system:

$$\varphi_0(t) = 1, \quad \varphi_{2n-1}(t) = \sqrt{2} \cos 2n\pi t, \quad \varphi_{2n}(t) = \sqrt{2} \sin 2n\pi t.$$

In this case from the well known inequalities

$$K_n^{(1)}(\theta, t) \geq 0, \quad (n=1, 2, \dots),$$

we arrive at the theorem due to Prof. Fejér (§ 1).

Lastly we add a remark: For the series of orthogonal functions  $\varphi_n(t)$  in general, the inequalities

$$K_n^{(1)}(\theta, t) \geq 0, \quad (n=2, 3, \dots),$$

where

$$\varphi_0(t) = +1 \quad \text{or} \quad -1$$

hold good if there exist the inequalities of the doubly symmetric determinants <sup>(1)</sup>:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 & \varphi_1(\theta)\varphi_1(t) & \varphi_2(\theta)\varphi_2(t) & \cdots & \varphi_{n-2}(\theta)\varphi_{n-2}(t) & \varphi_{n-1}(\theta)\varphi_{n-1}(t) \\ \varphi_1(\theta)\varphi_1(t) & 2 & \varphi_1(\theta)\varphi_1(t) & \cdots & \varphi_{n-3}(\theta)\varphi_{n-3}(t) & \varphi_{n-2}(\theta)\varphi_{n-2}(t) \\ \varphi_2(\theta)\varphi_2(t) & \varphi_1(\theta)\varphi_1(t) & 2 & \cdots & \varphi_{n-4}(\theta)\varphi_{n-4}(t) & \varphi_{n-3}(\theta)\varphi_{n-3}(t) \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ \varphi_{n-2}(\theta)\varphi_{n-2}(t) & \varphi_{n-3}(\theta)\varphi_{n-3}(t) & \varphi_{n-4}(\theta)\varphi_{n-4}(t) \cdots & 2 & \varphi_1(\theta)\varphi_1(t) \\ \varphi_{n-1}(\theta)\varphi_{n-1}(t) & \varphi_{n-2}(\theta)\varphi_{n-2}(t) & \varphi_{n-3}(\theta)\varphi_{n-3}(t) \cdots & \varphi_1(\theta)\varphi_1(t) & 2 \end{vmatrix} \geq 0,$$

( $n=2, 3, \dots$ ).

This is an immediate consequence of the two theorems of Prof. Fejér <sup>(2)</sup> and Prof. Toeplitz <sup>(3)</sup>.

Ikeda near Ôsaka, May 1918.

<sup>(1)</sup> That is, symmetric with respect to the principal and second diagonals. This determinant is centrosymmetric, and also orthosymmetric with respect to the second diagonal.

<sup>(2)</sup> Fejér, loc. cit., p. 89 (Theorem VI).

<sup>(3)</sup> Toeplitz, "Über die Fouriersche Entwicklung positiver Funktionen," Rend. Palermo, 32 (1911), p. 191; Carathéodory, "Über die Variabilitätsbereich der Fourierschen Konstanten von positiven harmonischen Funktionen," Rend. Palermo, 32 (1911), p. 193.



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