## THE CONJUGATE FOURIER-STIELTJES INTEGRAL IN THE PLANE<sup>1</sup>

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Let K(x) with  $x = (x_1, x_2)$  be a Lip  $(\alpha, 2)$  conjugate Calderon-Zygmund kernel with  $1/2 < \alpha < 1$ , i.e.  $K(x) = \Omega(\theta)r^{-2}$  where  $(r, \theta)$  are the usual polar coordinates of x with  $\Omega(\theta)$  a continuous periodic function of period  $2\pi$  with vanishing integral over the interval  $[0, 2\pi]$ satisfying the condition  $\int_0^{2\pi} [\Omega(\theta+h) - \Omega(\theta)]^2 d\theta = O(h^{2\alpha})$  as  $h \to 0$  (See [2] and [7, p. 106].) Let F be a countably additive set function defined on the Borel sets of the plane having finite total variation. Furthermore let  $f(y) = (2\pi)^{-2} \int_{E_2} e^{-i(y,x)} dF(x)$  be the Fourier-Stieltjes transform of F with  $E_2$  the plane and (y, x) the usual scalar product. Also let k(y) be the principal-valued Fourier transform of K, i.e.  $k(y) = (2\pi)^{-2} \lim_{t \to 0; \lambda \to \infty} \int_{D(0,\lambda) - D(0,t)} e^{-i(y,x)} K(x) dx$  where D(x, t) represents the open disc with center x and radius t. (It follows from the above assumptions that k(y) exists for every y.) Then formally the conjugate Fourier-Stieltjes integral of F is given by  $4\pi^2 \int_{E_2} e^{i(y,x)} f(y) k(y) dy$ . In [2, p. 118], it is shown that  $\lim_{t\to 0} \int_{E_2-D_2(x,t)} K(x-y) dF(y)$  exists and is finite almost everywhere. We call this limit the conjugate of Fwith respect to K and designate it by  $\tilde{F}(x)$ . With  $|y| = (y_1^2 + y_2^2)^{1/2}$  and  $I_R(x) = 4\pi^2 \int_{E_2} e^{-|y|/R} e^{i(y,x)} f(y) k(y) dy$ , we propose to prove in this note the following theorem:

THEOREM 1.  $\lim_{R\to\infty} I_R(x) = \tilde{F}(x)$  almost everywhere.

In a certain sense this result is the planar analogue of [7, p. 54]. In a forthcoming paper we shall extend this result to *n*-dimensional Euclidean space and the *n*-dimensional torus. We shall also study those kernels which are Bochner-Riesz summable almost everywhere. In particular we shall show that if K(x) is in  $C^{\infty}$  then the conjugate Fourier-Stieltjes integral of F is summable  $(R, \alpha)$  for  $\alpha > 1/2$  to  $\tilde{F}(x)$ almost everywhere, thus paralleling Bochner's result [1] for the Fourier-Stieltjes integral of F.

Letting  $D_{sym}F$  designate the symmetric derivative of F [5, p.149] and  $\int_{B} |dF|$  the total variation of F over B, we observe from [5, p. 119 and p. 152] and the standard argument of Lebesgue that

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(1) 
$$\lim_{t\to 0} (\pi t^2)^{-1} \int_{D(x,t)} |dF(y) - D_{sym}F(x)dy| = 0 \text{ a.e.}$$

So to prove the above theorem it is sufficient to prove the following theorem:

THEOREM 2. At every point x for which (1) holds

(2) 
$$\lim_{R \to \infty} \left[ I_R(x) - \int_{E_2 - D(x, R^{-1})} K(x - y) dF(y) \right] = 0.$$

To prove Theorem 2, we set  $H_n(R) = n^{-1} \int_0^\infty e^{-t/R} J_n(t) t dt$  where  $J_n(t)$  is a Bessel function of the first kind of order *n* and establish the following lemmas:

LEMMA 1. For 
$$n = 1, 2, \dots, and all R > 0$$
,  
(i)  $|H_n(R)| \leq R^2$ ,  
(ii)  $0 < H_n(R) \leq 1$ ,  
(iii) there is a constant A independent of n and R such that  
 $|H_n(R) - 1| \leq A[(nR^{-1})^{3/2} + (nR^{-1})^{1/2}].$ 

(i) follows immediately from the fact that  $|J_n(t)| \leq 1$ . For  $n \geq 2$ , (ii) follows on using Euler's integral representation for hypergeometric functions [6, p. 384] and [4, p. 59], for then

$$H_n(R) = \Gamma\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \pi^{-1/2} \left[\Gamma\left(\frac{n}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\right)\right]^{-1} \\ \cdot \int_0^1 t^{n/2 + 1/2} (1-t)^{n/2 - 3/2} [t+R^{-2}]^{-(n/2+1)} dt.$$

(iii) follows from the fact that for  $n \ge 2$  and R > 2, there is a constant  $A_1$  independent of n and R such that

$$|H_n(R) - 1| \leq A_1 n^{1/2} \left[ \int_0^{R^{-1}} t^{-1/2} dt + n R^{-2} \int_{R^{-1}}^{1/2} t^{-3/2} dt + n R^{-2} \right].$$

For n = 1, (ii) and (iii) follow from the fact that  $H_1(R) = (1 + R^{-2})^{-3/2}$ .

LEMMA 2. Let  $\Omega(\theta) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n e^{in\theta} + \bar{a}_n e^{-in\theta}$  and  $\alpha > \beta > 1/2$ . Then there is a constant A independent of R and such that for  $R \ge 1$ ,

(3) 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| a_n e^{in\theta} + \bar{a}_n e^{-in\theta} \right| \left| H_n(R) - 1 \right| < A R^{1/2-\beta}.$$

To prove the lemma, we observe that by [7, p. 143],  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\beta-1/2} \cdot |a_n| < A_1 < \infty$  (consequently  $\Omega(\theta)$  is in Lip  $\beta - 1/2$ ), and therefore

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by Lemma 1 that the sum in the left part of (3) is majorized by a constant multiple of

$$R^{1/2-\beta}\left(\sum_{n=1}^{[R]} 2 \mid a_n \mid n^{\beta-1/2} + \sum_{n=[R]+1}^{\infty} 4 \mid a_n \mid n^{\beta-1/2}\right) \leq 4A_1 R^{1/2-\beta}.$$

To prove Theorem 2, we can assume with no loss of generality that x is the origin. Next we see [3, Lemma 2] that for  $y \neq 0$ ,  $k(y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (2\pi)^{-1} (a_n e^{in\theta} + \bar{a}_n e^{-in\theta}) (-i)^n n^{-1}$  and consequently that

$$I_{R}(0) = \int_{B_{2}} \left[ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_{n}e^{in\theta} + \bar{a}_{n}e^{-in\theta})(-1)^{n}H_{n}(R \mid u \mid) \right] \mid u \mid -2dF(u).$$

Therefore using (1), (i) of Lemma 1, and the absolute convergence of the Fourier series of  $\Omega$ , we obtain that

(4) 
$$\int_{D(0,R^{-1})} \left[ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( a_n e^{in\theta} + \bar{a}_n e^{-in\theta} \right) (-1)^n H_n(R \mid u \mid) \right] \mid u \mid -2 dF(u) = o(1) \text{ as } R \to \infty.$$

Using (ii) of Lemma 1, the absolute convergence of the Fourier series of  $\Omega$ , and the fact that F is of finite total variation on the plane, we conclude from (4) that to prove the theorem it is sufficient to show that for fixed  $\lambda > 0$ ,

(5) 
$$\int_{D(0,\lambda)-D(0,R^{-1})} \left[ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n (a_n e^{in\theta} + \bar{a}_n e^{-in\theta}) (H_n(R \mid u \mid ) - 1) \right] \cdot \left| u \right|^{-2} [dF(u) - D_{sym}F(0)du] = o(1) \text{ as } R \to \infty.$$

Letting  $G(t) = \int_{D(0,t)} |dF(u) - D_{sym}F(0)du|$ , we see from Lemma 2 that the left side of (5) is majorized by a constant multiple of

(6) 
$$R^{1/2-\beta} \int_{R^{-1}}^{\lambda} t^{1/2-(2+\beta)} dG(t).$$

Since by assumption  $G(t) = o(t^2)$  as  $t \to 0$ , we obtain that (6) is  $O(R^{1/2-\beta}) + o(1) + R^{1/2-\beta} \int_{R^{-1}}^{\lambda} o(t^2) t^{1/2-(3+\beta)} dt$ . Consequently (5) is established and the proof of the theorem is complete.

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