# Periodicity and inequality

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### § 0. Introduction.

In this paper, we consider a certain kind of periodicity by Fubini's theorem. Next in such a point of view, we prove the following inequality.

$$\Gamma(n/2)/2\sqrt{\pi} \Gamma((n+1)/2) < \max_{I \subset \{1,2,\cdots,p\}} \|\sum_{i \in I} a_i\| / \sum_{j=1}^p \|a_j\|,$$

where  $a_j$   $(j=1, 2, \dots, p)$  is a real *n*-dimensional vector  $(n \ge 2)$ .

For example, A. Pietsch [2] used the lemma such that for any set of complex numbers  $\{a_j \in C; j \in J\}$ , where  $|\sum_{i \in I} a_i| \le r$  for all finite subset I of J, we have  $\sum_{i \in I} |a_i| \le 4r$  for all I.

We can take  $\pi$  in place of 4, and this estimate is the best, moreover this is the generalization of Blaschke's theorem on the oval.

#### § 1. Periodicity and Fubini's theorem.

THEOREM 1. Let H(X, Y) be (1) real valued bounded measurable function on  $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$ , (2) H(X, Y) = H(Y, X), (3) there exist M and

$$M = \lim_{T_1, T_2, \dots, T_n \to \infty} (2^n T_1 T_2 \dots T_n)^{-1} \int_{-T_1}^{T_1} \dots \int_{-T_n}^{T_n} H(X, Y) dY,$$

and this convergence is uniform. Let B be  $[0, 1]^n$ ,  $n \ge 1$ . Let  $C_B^1$  be the set of all once continuously differentiable functions on B. Then

$$\sup_{\boldsymbol{f} \in \mathcal{C}_{B}^{1}} \inf_{\boldsymbol{Y} \in \mathbb{R}^{n}} \int_{B} H(\boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{Z}), \, \boldsymbol{Y}) d\boldsymbol{Z} = M = \inf_{\boldsymbol{f} \in \mathcal{C}_{B}^{1}} \sup_{\boldsymbol{Y} \in \mathbb{R}^{n}} \int_{B} H(\boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{Z}), \, \boldsymbol{Y}) d\boldsymbol{Z} \,.$$

PROOF. For any  $f \in C_B^1$ , any  $T_1, T_2, \cdots, T_n > 0$ , H(f(Z), Y) is a bounded measurable function on  $\mathbf{B} \times [-T_1, T_1] \times [-T_2, T_2] \times \cdots \times [-T_n, T_n]$ . By Fubini's theorem, we have

$$(2^{n}T_{1}T_{2}\cdots T_{n})^{-1}\int_{-T_{1}}^{T_{1}}\cdots\int_{-T_{n}}^{T_{n}}\int_{B}H(f(Z), Y)dZdY$$

$$= \int_{B} (2^{n}T_{1}T_{2} \cdots T_{n})^{-1} \int_{-T_{1}}^{T_{1}} \cdots \int_{-T_{n}}^{T_{n}} H(f(Z), Y) dY dZ.$$

By Lebesgue's theorem, it holds that

$$\lim_{T_1,\,T_2,\,\cdots,\,T_n\to\infty} (2^nT_1T_2\,\cdots\,T_n)^{-1}\!\!\int_{-T_1}^{T_1}\cdots\int_{-T_n}^{T_n}\!\!\int_{\mathcal{B}} H(f(Z),\,Y)dZdY = M\,,$$

for all  $f \in C_B^1$ . Then we have

$$\sup_{f\in\mathcal{C}_B^1}\inf_{Y\in R^n}\!\!\int_{\mathcal{B}}\!\!H(f(Z),\,Y)dZ\!\leqq\!M\!\leqq\inf_{f\in\mathcal{C}_B^1}\sup_{Y\in R^n}\!\!\int_{\mathcal{B}}\!\!H(f(Z),\,Y)dZ\,.$$

Next, by the condition (3), for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exist  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_n > 0$ , such that

$$M-\varepsilon \leqq (2^nT_1T_2\cdots T_n)^{-1}\!\!\int_{-T_1}^{T_1}\cdots\!\int_{-T_n}^{T_n}H(X,\,Y)dY \leqq M+\varepsilon\;,$$

for all  $X \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . By the change of variables such that  $Z_j = (Y_j - T_j)/2T_j$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , we obtain

$$M - \varepsilon \leq \int_0^1 \cdots \int_0^1 H(X, 2TZ + T) dZ \leq M + \varepsilon$$
 ,

and then

$$M - \varepsilon \leq \int_{\mathcal{B}} H(2TZ + T, Y) dZ \leq M + \varepsilon$$
,

for all  $Y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Hence we have

$$M - \varepsilon \leq \inf_{Y} \int_{\mathbf{R}} H(2TZ + T, Y) dZ \leq \sup_{Y} \int_{\mathbf{R}} H(2TZ + T, Y) dZ \leq M + \varepsilon.$$

Therefore

$$\inf_{f\in\mathcal{C}_{R}^{1}}\sup_{Y}\int_{\mathcal{B}}H(f(Z),\,Y)dZ \leqq M \leqq \sup_{f\in\mathcal{C}_{R}^{1}}\inf_{Y}\int_{\mathcal{B}}H(f(Z),\,Y)dZ\,.$$

This completes the proof.

REMARK. If H(X, Y) is continuous, then we can take the set of all measurable functions on B, in place of  $C_B^1$ . If H(X, Y) and f are Borel measurable, then we can prove the theorem as above and the following.

DEFINITION. H(x) is said to be almost periodic, if for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists a number  $d_{\varepsilon} > 0$ , such that for any real number r, there exists  $v \in [r, r+d_{\varepsilon}]$ , which satisfies

$$\sup_{x\in R} |H(x+v)-H(x)| \leq \varepsilon.$$

(See, A.S. Besicovith, [1].)

Theorem 2. Let H(x) be almost periodic real valued measurable function, then

$$\sup_{f \in C^1_{[0,1]}} \inf_{y \in R} \int_0^1 H(f(x) + y) dx = \lim_{T \to \infty} (2T)^{-1} \int_{-T}^T H(x) dx$$

$$= \inf_{f \in C^1_{[0,1]}} \sup_{y \in R} \int_0^1 H(f(x) + y) dx.$$

PROOF. We can apply Theorem 1 to E(x,y)=H(x+y). It is clear that E(x,y) is bounded, and E(x,y)=E(y,x). We must prove that the condition (3) is satisfied. For any  $\varepsilon>0$ , there exist  $T_0$ ,  $N_0$ , such that  $4\|H\|d_\varepsilon/T_0 \le \varepsilon$ ,  $3\|H\|/N_0 \le \varepsilon$ . Then for any  $X_1$ ,  $X_2 \ge N_0 T_0$ , we have

$$\left| (2X_1)^{-1} \int_{-X_1}^{X_1} H(x+y) dy - (2X_2)^{-1} \int_{-X_2}^{X_2} H(x+y) dy \right| \le 4\varepsilon.$$

(See, A. S. Besicovith, [1].)

THEOREM 3. Let H(X) be (1) real valued bounded measurable function on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , (2) periodic function; its period is  $L = (L_1, L_2, \dots, L_n)$ . Let M be

$$(L_1L_2\cdots L_n)^{-1}\int_0^{L_1}\cdots\int_0^{L_n}H(X)dX$$
,

then we have

$$\sup_{f} \inf_{Y} \int_{B} H(f(Z)+Y)dZ = M = \inf_{f} \sup_{Y} \int_{B} H(f(Z)+Y)dZ,$$

and the following three propositions are equivalent, if H(X) is continuous.

(a) 
$$\sup_{Y} \int_{\mathbf{R}} H(f(Z) + Y) dZ = M,$$

(b) 
$$\inf_{V} \int_{\mathbf{R}} H(f(Z) + Y) dZ = M$$
,

(c) 
$$\int_{B} H(f(Z)+Y)dZ = M$$
, for all Y.

PROOF. By Fubini's theorem

$$\begin{split} (L_1 L_2 \cdots L_n)^{-1} & \int_0^{L_1} \cdots \int_0^{L_n} \int_B H(f(Z) + Y) dZ dY \\ & = \int_B (L_1 L_2 \cdots L_n)^{-1} \int_0^{L_1} \cdots \int_0^{L_n} H(f(Z) + Y) dY dZ = \int_B M dZ = M \,, \end{split}$$

for all  $f \in C_B^1$ . Then we have

$$\sup_{f} \inf_{Y} \int_{B} H(f(Z)+Y)dZ \leq M \leq \inf_{f} \sup_{Y} \int_{B} H(f(Z)+Y)dZ.$$

Here the equivalence relation is clear. On the other hand,

$$M = (L_1 L_2 \cdots L_n)^{-1} \int_0^{L_1} \cdots \int_0^{L_n} H(2LZ + L + Y) dY$$
  
=  $\int_R H(2LZ + L + Y) dZ$ ,

for all Y, and the theorem is proved.

## $\S 2$ . Periodicity on S.

We use the notations below.

 $R^n$ ; real *n*-dimensional euclidean space.

 $\langle X, Y \rangle$ ; inner product in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

S ;  $\{X \in \mathbb{R}^n \; ; \; ||X|| = 1\}.$ 

m ; surface measure on S.

 $Q_n$  ;  $\Gamma(n/2)/2\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma((n+1)/2)$ .

As in the following lemma, the family of functions on S,  $\{|\langle X, Y \rangle| ; Y \in S\}$ , has a certain kind of periodicity.

LEMMA 4.  $L(Y) = \int_{S} |\langle X, Y \rangle| dm$  is a constant function on S. Denote this constant by number  $R_n$ , then we have  $R_n / \int_{S} dm = 2Q_n$ .

PROOF. For any  $Y_1, Y_2 \in S$ ,  $\{X \in S; \langle X, Y_1 \rangle = \cos \theta\}$  is congruent with  $\{X \in S; \langle X, Y_2 \rangle = \cos \theta\}$  by the rotation  $\gamma; \gamma(Y_1) = Y_2$ . Let  $\max_{(n-2)}$  be (n-2)-dimensional euclidean measure, then for any  $Y \in S$ 

$$L(Y) = \int_{\mathbf{S}} |\langle X, Y \rangle| \, dm = \int_{0}^{\pi} |\cos \theta| \operatorname{mes}_{(n-2)} \{X \in \mathbf{S}; \langle X, Y \rangle = \cos \theta\} \, d\theta \,.$$

So L(Y) is independent of Y. If we set  $Y_0 = (0, 0, \dots, 0, 1)$ , then by the n-dimensional polar co-ordinate method, we have

$$R_{n} = \int_{S} |x_{n}| dm = \int_{0}^{\pi} \cdots \int_{0}^{\pi} \int_{0}^{2\pi} |\cos \theta_{n-1}| \sin \theta_{2} \sin^{2} \theta_{3} \cdots \sin^{n-2} \theta_{n-1} d\theta_{1} d\theta_{2} \cdots d\theta_{n-1}.$$

On the other hand

$$\int_{\mathbf{S}} dm = \int_0^\pi \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} \sin \theta_2 \sin^2 \theta_3 \cdots \sin^{n-2} \theta_{n-1} d\theta_1 d\theta_2 \cdots d\theta_{n-1}.$$

Therefore

$$\begin{split} R_n \Big/ \int_S dm &= \int_0^\pi \! \cos \theta_{n-1} \sin^{n-2}\!\theta_{n-1} d\theta_{n-1} \Big/ \int_0^\pi \! \sin^{n-2}\!\theta_{n-1} \, d\theta_{n-1} \\ &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \! \cos \theta \, \sin^{n-2}\!\theta \, d\theta \Big/ \int_0^{\pi/2} \! \sin^{n-2}\!\theta \, d\theta \\ &= 2 \varGamma(n/2) / (n-1) \sqrt{\pi} \, \varGamma((n-1)/2) = 2 Q_n \, . \end{split}$$

This completes the proof.

THEOREM 5. Let C; C = C(t) be normal curve in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , namely,  $\frac{dC(t)}{dt}$  is continuous function and never vanishes,  $n \geq 2$ , and its length be 1. Let  $C_L$  be the length of the locus of C on a line L, (see the proof), then there exist lines  $L_1$ ,  $L_2$ , such that  $C_{L_2} \leq 2Q_n \leq C_{L_1}$ , and the following three propositions are equivalent, for the normal curve C.

(a) 
$$\sup_{L} C_L = 2Q_n$$
. (b)  $\inf_{L} C_L = 2Q_n$ . (c)  $C_L = 2Q_n$ , for all line  $L$ .

PROOF. We can assume that  $t = \int_0^t \left\| \frac{dC(t)}{dt} \right\| dt$ . The line L can be considered to be oriented. Let  $Y_L$  be L's oriented unit vector, then

$$C_L = C_{YL} = C_Y = \int_0^1 \left| \left\langle \frac{dC(t)}{dt}, Y \right\rangle \right| dt$$
.

By Fubini's theorem

$$\int_{\mathbf{S}} C_Y dm = \int_{\mathbf{S}} \int_0^1 \left| \left\langle \frac{dC(t)}{dt}, Y \right\rangle \right| dt dm = \int_0^1 \int_{\mathbf{S}} \left| \left\langle \frac{dC(t)}{dt}, Y \right\rangle \right| dm dt = \int_0^1 R_n dt.$$

Therefore

$$\inf_{\mathbf{Y}\in\mathbf{S}} C_{\mathbf{Y}} \int_{\mathbf{S}} dm \leq R_n \leq \sup_{\mathbf{Y}\in\mathbf{S}} C_{\mathbf{Y}} \int_{\mathbf{S}} dm ,$$

and hence by Lemma 4

$$\inf_{Y\in S} C_Y \leq 2Q_n \leq \sup_{Y\in S} C_Y.$$

By the continuity on the compact set S, there exist  $Y_1$ ,  $Y_2 \in S$ , such that  $C_{Y_2} \leq 2Q_n \leq C_{Y_1}$ . The others are clear.

DEFINITION. Let  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p$  be n-dimensional vectors. By the notation  $[a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p]_L$ , we mean the sum of the length of the shaddow of  $a_j$   $(j=1, 2, \dots, p)$  on the line L.

THEOREM 6. For any integer  $n \ge 2$ , and any positive number  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exist finite number of n-dimensional vectors  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p$ , such that

$$|\lceil a_1, a_2, \cdots, a_p \rceil_L \Big/ \sum_{j=1}^p \|a_j\| - 2Q_n| < \varepsilon$$
 ,

for all line L.

PROOF.  $\{|\langle X,Y\rangle|;Y\in S\}$  is uniformly compact in  $C_R(S)$ . m is a positive measure on S. Then for any  $\varepsilon>0$ , there exists w, positive point measure on S, such that

$$\left| \int_{S} |\langle X, Y \rangle| \, dw - \int_{S} |\langle X, Y \rangle| \, dm \right| < (\varepsilon/4) \int_{S} dm \,,$$

for all  $Y \in S$ , and

$$\left|\int_{S} dw - \int_{S} dm\right| < \min\left\{2^{-1} \int_{S} dm, (\varepsilon/2R_n) \left(\int_{S} dm\right)^{2}\right\}.$$

We assume that  $\int_{A_j} dw = p_j > 0$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, p$ , and  $||w|| = \sum_{j=1}^p p_j$ . Let  $a_j$  be  $p_j \overrightarrow{OA_j}$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, p$ , then for any line L, we have

$$[a_1, a_2, \cdots, a_p]_L = \sum_{i=1}^p |\langle a_i, Y_L \rangle| = \sum_{j=1}^p p_j |\langle \overrightarrow{OA_j}, Y_L \rangle| = \int_S |\langle X, Y_L \rangle| dw$$
.

Therefore

$$\begin{split} & \left| \left[ \left[ a_1, \, a_2, \, \cdots, \, a_p \right]_L \middle/ \sum_{j=1}^p \|a_j\| - 2Q_n \right| \\ &= \left| \int_S |\langle X, \, Y_L \rangle \, | \, dw \middle/ \int_S dw - \int_S |\langle X, \, Y_L \rangle \, | \, dm \middle/ \int_S dm \right| \\ &= \left| \int_S \langle X, \, Y_L \rangle \, | \, dw - \int_S |\langle X, \, Y_L \rangle \, | \, dm \middle| \middle/ \int_S dw + R^n \middle| \int_S dw - \int_S dm \middle| \middle/ \left| \int_S dw \int_S dm \middle| \right| \\ &< \varepsilon/2 + \varepsilon/2 = \varepsilon \, . \end{split}$$

This completes the proof.

COROLLARY 7. For any curve C with length 1 in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $n \geq 2$ , we have  $\inf_L C_L \leq 2Q_n \leq \sup_L C_L$ , and this estimate is the best. Moreover the following three propositions are equivalent.

(a) 
$$\sup_{L} C_L = 2Q_n$$
. (b)  $\inf_{L} C_L = 2Q_n$ . (c)  $C_L = 2Q_n$ , for all line  $L$ .

PROOF. For any curve C with length l, its length can be approximated by the zigzag line method. Conversely, the length of any zigsag line can be approximated by the normal curve. Then the corollary is proved by Theorems 5 and 6.

So far, we have considered the family of functions  $\{|\langle X,Y\rangle|; Y\in S\}$ , and proved Lemma 4, Theorems 5, 6, and Corollary 7. On the family of functions on S,  $\{\langle X,Y\rangle^+=(|\langle X,Y\rangle|+\langle X,Y\rangle)/2; Y\in S\}$ , we can prove the same lemma, theorems and corollary. In this case, we have  $\int_S \langle X,Y\rangle^+dm=R_n/2$ .

Particularly, it is clear that for any n-dimensional vectors  $a_1, a_2, \cdots, a_p$ , there exists  $Y_0 \in S$  such that

$$Q_n \leq \sum_{j=1}^p \langle a_j, Y_0 \rangle^+ / \sum_{j=1}^p ||a_j||$$
.

On the other hand, we can assume that  $Y_0$  satisfies the following relation.

$$\sum_{j=1}^p \langle a_j, Y_0 \rangle^+ = \max_{Y \in S} \sum_{j=1}^p \langle a_j, Y \rangle^+ = \max_{I \subset \{1, 2, \cdots, p\}} \|\sum_{i \in I} a_i\|.$$

Therefore

$$Q_n \leq \max_{I} \|\sum_{i=I} a_i\| / \sum_{j=1}^p \|a_j\|$$
.

In the same way as the proof of Theorem 6, we can prove that this estimate is the best. And by Theorem 5, we can prove that this inequality is strict. So the following theorem and its corollary are obtained.

THEOREM 8. For any n-dimensional vectors,  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p, n \ge 2$ , we have

$$Q_n < \max_I \| \sum_{i \in I} a_i \| \left/ \sum_{j=1}^{p} \| a_j \| \right.$$

and this estimate is the best.

COROLLARY 9. For any complex numbers,  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p$ , we have

$$1/\pi < \max_{\mathbf{I}} |\sum_{i \in I} a_i| / \sum_{j=1}^p |a_j|,$$

and this estimate is the best.

REMARK. If n=1, then  $Q_1 \equiv \Gamma(1/2)/2\sqrt{\pi} \Gamma(1) = 1/2$ . Here, it is clear that for any 1-dimensional vectors,  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p$ , we have

$$1/2 \leq \max_{I} \| \sum_{i=I} a_i \| / \sum_{j=1}^{p} \| a_j \|$$
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