

GAP FORMULAE FOR THE WEIERSTRASS TRANSFORMS

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A gap formula for a transform

$$(1) \quad f(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} k(x-y)\varphi(y)dy$$

is an operator J on $f(x)$

$$(2) \quad J[f;x] = \varphi(x+) - \varphi(x-).$$

Such operators are known for Laplace transform [1; p. 91] and [4; pp. 296-299], Stieltjes transform [4; pp. 351-353], a class of convolution transforms [2] and others. Gap formulae for the Weierstrass transform

$$(3) \quad f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp[-(x-y)^2/4] \varphi(y)dy$$

and the Weierstrass-Stieltjes transform

$$(4) \quad f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp[-(x-y)^2/4] d\alpha(y)$$

will be proved in the following two theorems.

THEOREM 1. Let $\alpha(t)$ be of bounded variation in any finite interval and let the integral (4) relating $f(x)$ to $\alpha(y)$ converge in $a < x < b$, then for d satisfying $a < d < b$ and $-\infty < x < \infty$

$$(5) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow 1^-} -i(1-t)^{1/2} \int_{d-i\infty}^{d+i\infty} \exp[(s-x)^2/4t]f(s)ds = \alpha(x+) - \alpha(x-).$$

THEOREM 2. Suppose: (i) $\varphi(y) \in L_1(A, B)$ for any finite A and B .

(ii) The integral (3) relating $f(x)$ to $\varphi(y)$ converges for $a < x < b$.

(iii) There exist two numbers $\varphi(x+0)$ and $\varphi(x-0)$ such that

$$\int_0^h [\varphi(x+u) - \varphi(x-0)] du = o(h) \quad h \downarrow 0.$$

Then for d satisfying $a < d < b$ we have for $-\infty < x < \infty$

$$(6) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{1}{2i} (1-t)^{1/2} \int_{d-i\infty}^{d+i\infty} (s-x) \exp[(s-x)^2/4] f(s) ds \\ = \varphi(x+0) - \varphi(x-0).$$

Proof of Theorem 1. Theorem 7.3 of [3, pp. 189-190] implies

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{t}} \int_{d-i\infty}^{d+i\infty} \exp[(s-x)^2/4t] f(s) ds = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} k_1(x-u, 1-t) \alpha(u) du$$

where $k_1(x, t) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [(4\pi t)^{1/2} \exp(-x^2/4t)].$ Writing

$$(4\pi)^{1/2} (1-t)^{1/2} \left\{ \int_{-\infty}^{x-\delta} + \int_{x-\delta}^x + \int_x^{x+\delta} + \int_{x+\delta}^{\infty} \right\} k_1(x-u, 1-t) \alpha(u) du \\ \equiv I_1(t) + I_2(t) + I_3(t) + I_4(t).$$

we have by simple integration for every $\delta > 0$

$$(7) \quad (4\pi)^{1/2} (1-t)^{1/2} \int_{x-\delta}^x k_1(x-u, 1-t) du = -1 + o(1) \quad t \rightarrow 1^-$$

and

$$(8) \quad (4\pi)^{1/2} (1-t)^{1/2} \int_x^{x+\delta} k_1(x-u, 1-t) du = 1 + o(1) \quad t \rightarrow 1^-.$$

We can obviously choose δ so that $|\alpha(u) - \alpha(x-)| < \epsilon$ for $x-\delta < u < x$ and $|\alpha(u) - \alpha(x+)| < \epsilon$ for $x < u < x+\delta$ and therefore

$$|I_2(t) + \alpha(x-)| = |(2\pi)^{1/2} (1-t)^{1/2} \int_{x-\delta}^x k_1(x-u, 1-t) [\alpha(u) - \alpha(x-)] du| + o(1) \\ \leq \epsilon \cdot 1 + o(1), \quad t \rightarrow 1^-.$$

Similarly $|I_3(t)-\alpha(x+)| \leq \epsilon \cdot 1 + o(1) \quad t \rightarrow 1^-$.

Using Lemma 2.1c of [3, Ch. VI] for some finite ξ and η
 $a < \xi < \eta < b$

$$\alpha(u) = o(\exp((u-\eta)^2/4)), \quad u \rightarrow \infty, \quad \text{and}$$

$$\alpha(u) = o(\exp((u-\xi)^2/4)), \quad u \rightarrow \infty,$$

and since $\alpha(u)$ is, locally, of bounded variation

$$(9) \quad |\alpha(u)| \leq \begin{cases} K \exp((u-\eta)^2/4), & u > x, \\ K \exp((u-\xi)^2/4), & u < x. \end{cases}$$

Integration yields

$$|I_1(t)| \leq K \int_{-\infty}^{x-\delta} \frac{(x-u)}{(1-t)} \exp(-(x-u)^2/4(1-t)) \exp((u-\xi)^2/4) du = o(1) \quad t \rightarrow 1^-$$

and similarly also $I_4(t) = o(1) \quad t \rightarrow 1^-$.

Proof of Theorem 2. Define $\alpha(u) = \int_0^u \varphi(v) dv$. For $a < d < b$

$$\begin{aligned} I &\equiv -i(1-t)^{1/2} \int_{d-i\infty}^{d+i\infty} \frac{1}{2t} (s-x) \exp[(s-x)^2/4t] f(s) ds = \\ &= -i(1-t)^{1/2} \int_{d-i\infty}^{d+i\infty} \frac{1}{2t} (s-x) \exp[(s-x)^2/4t] ds \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} k_1(s-u, 1) \alpha(u) du \\ &= -i(1-t)^{1/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \alpha(u) du \int_{d-i\infty}^{d+i\infty} \frac{1}{2t} (s-x) \exp((s-x)^2/4t) k_1(s-u, 1) ds. \end{aligned}$$

The interchange in order of integration is justified by Fubini's theorem since $\alpha(u)$ satisfies (9) and therefore

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} ((d-x)^2 + y^2)^{1/2} \exp[((d-x)^2 - y^2)/4t] dy \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (y^2 + (d-u)^2)^{1/2} \exp[(y^2 - (d-u)^2/4)] du,$$

which dominates our integral, converges.

By the method employed in [3, p. 176-177] we calculate

$$\begin{aligned}
 J &= \frac{\pi^{1/2}}{2\pi i t^{1/2}} \int_{d-i\infty}^{d+i\infty} \frac{1}{2t} (s-x) \exp[(s-x)^2/4t] k_1(s-u, 1) ds \\
 &= \frac{-i}{2\pi} \left(\frac{\pi}{t}\right)^{1/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2t} (y-i(d-x)) \exp[-(y-i(d-x))^2/4t] k_1(iy+d-u, 1) dy \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left(\frac{\pi}{t}\right)^{1/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp[-(y-i(d-x))^2/4t] k_2(iy+d-u, 1) dy
 \end{aligned}$$

where $k_2(s, t) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial s^2} k(s, t) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial s^2} ((4\pi t)^{-1/2} \exp(-s^2/4t))$. Since by

[3, p. 177]

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} k(x-y, t_1) k(y-v, t_2 - t_1) dy = k(x-v, t_2)$$

we have

$$(10) \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} k(x-y, t_1) k_2(y-v, t_2 - t_1) dy = k_2(x-v, t_2).$$

Combining (10) with Corollary 2.2 of [3, p. 176] where $\varphi(y) = k_2(y-v, 1-t)$, $t_2 = 1$ and $t_1 = t$ we obtain $J = k_2(x-u, 1-t)$ and therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
 I &= (4\pi)^{1/2} (1-t)^{1/2} \left\{ \int_{-\infty}^{x-\delta} + \int_{x-\delta}^x + \int_x^{x+\delta} + \int_{x+\delta}^{\infty} \right\} \alpha(u) k_2(x-u, 1-t) du \\
 &= I_1(t) + I_2(t) + I_3(t) + I_4(t).
 \end{aligned}$$

By the method employed in the proof of theorem 1, $\lim_{t \rightarrow 1^-} I_1(t) =$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 1^-} I_4(t) = 0$$

$$I_2(t) = (4\pi)^{1/2} (1-t)^{1/2} \int_{x-\delta}^x \varphi(u) k_1(x-u, 1-t) du + o(1) \quad t \rightarrow 1^-.$$

Using (7) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
|I_2(t) + \varphi(x-0)| &= |(4\pi)^{1/2} (1-t)^{1/2} \int_{x-\delta}^x k_1(x-u, 1-t) [\varphi(u) - \varphi(x-0)] du| \\
+ o(1) &= |(4\pi)^{1/2} (1-t)^{1/2} \int_{x-\delta}^x k_2(x-u, 1-t) \beta(u) du| + o(1) \\
&\leq \epsilon (4\pi)^{1/2} (1-t)^{1/2} \int_{x-\delta}^x k_2(x-u, 1-t) |s-u| du + o(1) \leq \epsilon M + o(1)
\end{aligned}$$

$t \rightarrow 1^-$.

Similarly $|I_3(t) - \varphi(x+0)| \leq \epsilon M + o(1)$ $t \rightarrow t^-$, which concludes the proof of our theorem.

Example. Let $\alpha(t) = 0$ for $t < 0$ and $\alpha(t) = 1$ for $t > 0$ then $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \exp(-x^2/4)$. Since the integral (4) converges always

$$\begin{aligned}
&\lim_{t \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{-i}{\sqrt{4\pi}} (1-t)^{1/2} \int_{-i\infty}^{i\infty} \exp[(s-x)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{4t} - s^2 \frac{1}{4}] ds \\
&= \lim_{t \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{-i}{\sqrt{4\pi}} (1-t)^{1/2} \left\{ \int_{-i\infty}^{i\infty} \exp[s^2 \frac{(1-t)}{4t} - \frac{2sx}{4t} + \frac{x^2}{4t(1-t)}] ds \right\} \\
&\quad \cdot \exp(-x^2/4t(1-t)) \cdot \exp(x^2/4t) \\
&= \lim_{t \rightarrow 1^-} t^{1/2} \exp(-x^2/4t(1-t)) \exp(x^2/4t) = \begin{cases} 1 & x = 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}.
\end{aligned}$$

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