

A Note on Vanishing Mean Oscillation

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Abstract: A certain inequality for maximal operators is obtained. From this result, a necessary condition for a function f in $VMO(\mathbf{R}, dx)$ is generalized.

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0. Preliminaries

Let $(\mathbf{R}, \mu, \mathcal{R})$ be a measure space and μ is a positive Radon measure on $\mathcal{R}$ satisfying doubling condition. A measurable function $\varphi(t)$ on $\mathbf{R}$ is locally integrable, namely $\varphi \in \mathbf{L}_{\text{loc}}^1(\mathbf{R}, d\mu)$, if $|\varphi|$ is integrable over any compact set. If $\varphi \in \mathbf{L}_{\text{loc}}^1(\mathbf{R}, d\mu)$ and if I is a bounded interval, write

$$\varphi_I = \frac{1}{|I|} \int_I \varphi(t) d\mu, \quad \text{where } |I| = \mu(I)$$

for any average of φ over I . If $\varphi \in \mathbf{L}_{\text{loc}}^1(\mathbf{R}, d\mu)$, and if

$$\|\varphi\|_* = \sup_I \frac{1}{|I|} \int_I |\varphi - \varphi_I| d\mu < \infty, \quad (1)$$

where the supremum is over all bounded intervals, we say φ is of bounded mean oscillation, denoted by $\varphi \in \text{BMO}$. The bounded $\|\varphi\|_*$ in (1) is the BMO norm of φ . Let $\varphi \in \mathbf{L}_{\text{loc}}^1(\mathbf{R}, d\mu)$. For $\delta > 0$, write

$$M_\delta(\varphi) = \sup_{|I| \leq \delta} \frac{1}{|I|} \int_I |\varphi - \varphi_I| d\mu. \quad (2)$$

Then $\varphi \in \text{BMO}$ if and only if $M_\delta(\varphi)$ is bounded and $\|\varphi\|_* = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow \infty} M_\delta(\varphi)$.

We say that φ has vanishing mean oscillation, $\varphi \in \text{VMO}$, if

(i) $\varphi \in \text{BMO}$ and

(ii) $M_0(\varphi) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} M_\delta(\varphi) = 0$.

1. Main results

In the early 1980s the author of [2] proved that for a function $\varphi \in \text{BMO}$, the condition $\varphi \in \text{VMO}$ is equivalent to the following condition:

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If $\varphi_x(t) = \varphi(t - x)$ is the translation of φ by x units, then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \|\varphi_x - \varphi\|_* = 0.$$

In this paper, we generalize the result partly from the formerly Lebesgue measure space to Radon measure space $(\mathbf{R}, \mu, \mathcal{R})$. To prove our results, we need the following lemma.

Lemma 1 *Let $\delta > 0$, and partition $\mathbf{R}$ into intervals:*

$$I_z = (z\frac{\delta}{2}, (z+1)\frac{\delta}{2}) \quad (x \in \mathbf{Z}).$$

Then, we have

$$|\varphi_{I_z} - \varphi_{I_{z+1}}| \leq 4M_\delta(\varphi).$$

Define $h(t) = \sum_{z \in \mathbf{Z}} \varphi_{I_z} \chi_{I_z}(t)$, we have our first result as

Theorem 1 *For some constant c ,*

$$\|\varphi - h\|_* \leq cM_\delta(\varphi).$$

Our next main result is as follows,

Theorem 2 *If $\varphi \in \text{VMO}$, then*

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \|\varphi_\delta - \varphi\|_* = 0.$$

2. Proofs of main results

Lemma 1 follows from

$$\begin{aligned} |\varphi_{I_z} - \varphi_{I_{z+1}}| &= |\varphi_{I_z} - \varphi_{I_z \cup I_{z+1}} + \varphi_{I_z \cup I_{z+1}} - \varphi_{I_{z+1}}| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{|I_z|} \int_{I_z \cup I_{z+1}} |\varphi - \varphi_{I_z \cup I_{z+1}}| \, d\mu + \frac{1}{|I_{z+1}|} \int_{I_z \cup I_{z+1}} |\varphi - \varphi_{I_z \cup I_{z+1}}| \, d\mu \\ &\leq 4 \frac{1}{|I_z \cup I_{z+1}|} \int_{I_z \cup I_{z+1}} |\varphi - \varphi_{I_z \cup I_{z+1}}| \, d\mu \\ &\leq 4M_\delta(\varphi). \end{aligned}$$

For Theorem 1, it is enough to prove that for $\forall I$,

$$\frac{1}{|I|} \int_I |\varphi - h - (\varphi - h)_I| \, d\mu < cM_\delta(\varphi).$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{|I|} \int_I |\varphi - h - (\varphi - h)_I| \, d\mu &\leq \frac{1}{|I|} \int_I |\varphi - \varphi_I| \, d\mu + \frac{1}{|I|} \int_I |h - h_I| \, d\mu \\ &\leq M_\delta(\varphi) + \frac{1}{|I|} \int_I |h - h_I| \, d\mu, \end{aligned}$$

again, it is enough to prove

$$\frac{1}{|I|} \int_I |h - h_I| d\mu < (c-1)M_\delta(\varphi).$$

This is done in three steps.

STEP I. Suppose $I = (a, b)$ and $|I| \leq \delta/2$.

If there exists a integer z such that $I \subset I_z$, we have

$$\frac{1}{|I|} \int_I |h(t) - h_I(t)| d\mu = 0 \leq M_\delta(\varphi).$$

Or if there exists such z that $I \subset I_z \cup I_{z+1}$ and $a \in I_z$ and $b \in I_{z+1}$ respectively, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{|I|} \int_I |h(t) - h_I| d\mu(t) \\ &= \frac{1}{|I|} \int_{I \cap I_z} \left| \varphi_{I_z} - \frac{|I \cap I_z|}{|I|} \varphi_{I_z} - \frac{|I \cap I_{z+1}|}{|I|} \varphi_{I_{z+1}} \right| d\mu(t) + \\ & \quad \frac{1}{|I|} \int_{I \cap I_{z+1}} \left| \varphi_{I_{z+1}} - \frac{|I \cap I_z|}{|I|} \varphi_{I_z} - \frac{|I \cap I_{z+1}|}{|I|} \varphi_{I_{z+1}} \right| d\mu(t) \\ &= \frac{1}{|I|} \int_{I \cap I_z} \frac{|I \cap I_{z+1}|}{|I|} |\varphi_{I_{z+1}} - \varphi_{I_z}| d\mu(t) + \frac{1}{|I|} \int_{I \cap I_{z+1}} \frac{|I \cap I_z|}{|I|} |\varphi_{I_{z+1}} - \varphi_{I_z}| d\mu(t) \\ &\leq \frac{|I \cap I_z| + |I \cap I_{z+1}|}{|I|} |\varphi_{I_{z+1}} - \varphi_{I_z}| \\ &= |\varphi_{I_{z+1}} - \varphi_{I_z}| \leq 4M_\delta(\varphi). \end{aligned}$$

STEP II. If $\delta/2 < |I| \leq \delta$ and there exists z such that $I \subset I_z \cup I_{z+1} \cup I_{z+2}$, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{|I|} \int_I |h(t) - h_I(t)| d\mu \\ &= \frac{1}{|I|^2} \int_{I \cap I_z} \left| \int_{I \cap I_{z+1}} (\varphi_{I_{z+1}} - \varphi_{I_z}) d\mu + \int_{I \cap I_{z+2}} (\varphi_{I_{z+2}} - \varphi_{I_z}) d\mu \right| d\mu + \\ & \quad \frac{1}{|I|^2} \int_{I \cap I_{z+1}} \left| \int_{I \cap I_z} (\varphi_{I_z} - \varphi_{I_{z+1}}) d\mu + \int_{I \cap I_{z+2}} (\varphi_{I_{z+2}} - \varphi_{I_{z+1}}) d\mu \right| d\mu + \\ & \quad \frac{1}{|I|^2} \int_{I \cap I_{z+2}} \left| \int_{I \cap I_z} (\varphi_{I_z} - \varphi_{I_{z+2}}) d\mu + \int_{I \cap I_{z+1}} (\varphi_{I_{z+1}} - \varphi_{I_{z+2}}) d\mu \right| d\mu \\ &\leq |\varphi_{I_{z+1}} - \varphi_{I_z}| + |\varphi_{I_{z+2}} - \varphi_{I_z}| + |\varphi_{I_z} - \varphi_{I_{z+1}}| + |\varphi_{I_{z+2}} - \varphi_{I_{z+1}}| + \\ & \quad |\varphi_{I_z} - \varphi_{I_{z+2}}| + |\varphi_{I_{z+1}} - \varphi_{I_{z+2}}| \\ &\leq 32M_\delta(\varphi). \end{aligned}$$

STEP III. If $|I| > \delta$ and if J is the union of those $I_j (j = 1, 2, \dots, N)$ such that $I_j \cap I \neq \emptyset$, viz. $J = I_1 \cup I_2 \cup \dots \cup I_N$, clearly, $|J| \leq 2|I|$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{|I|} \int_I |\varphi - h - (\varphi - h)_I| d\mu \leq \frac{2}{|I|} \int_I |\varphi - h| d\mu \leq \frac{4}{|J|} \sum_{j=1}^N \int_{I_j \cap I} |\varphi - \varphi_{I_j}| d\mu \\ & \leq \frac{4}{|J|} \sum_{j=1}^N |I_j \cap I| M_\delta(\varphi) \leq 4M_\delta(\varphi). \end{aligned}$$

Thus Theorem 1 is proven.

With Theorem 1 proven, if $|x| \leq \delta$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\|\varphi - \varphi_x\|_* &\leq \|\varphi - h\|_* + \|h - h_x\|_* + \|\varphi_x - h_x\|_* \\ &\leq 2cM_\delta(\varphi) + \|h - h_x\|_*.\end{aligned}$$

Obviously, $\|h - h_x\|_* \leq 4M_\delta(\varphi)$ and $M_\delta(\varphi) \rightarrow 0$ ($\delta \rightarrow 0$), thus Theorem 2 is proven.

It is worth noting that Theorem 2 can be generalized to the weighted measurable space $(\mathbf{R}, \mu, \mathcal{R})$.

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关于消失平均振动的一个注记

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摘要: 本文得到了极大算子的几个不等式, 并从这些结果推广了函数 $f \in \mathbf{L}_{\text{loc}}^1(\mathbf{R}, dx)$ 属于 $\text{VMO}(\mathbf{R}, dx)$ 的一个必要条件.

关键词: 极大算子; VMO 空间; Radon 测度.