On the Norms and Minimal Properties of de la Vallée Poussin's type Operators

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Abstract In this paper we consider the de la Vallée Poussin's type operators $H_{rn.sn}$

$$H_{rn,sn} := \frac{F_{rn} + F_{rn+1} + \dots + F_{sn-1}}{(s-r)n},$$

where F_k are classical Fourier projections onto Π_k (the space of trigonometric polynomials of degree less than or equal to k). We determine when $H_{n,sn}$ is the minimal generalized projection and provide the asymptotic behavior of the norm $||H_{n,sn}||$. Additionally, we contrast the results obtained for the trigonometric system to the results obtained for the Rademacher system.

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1 Introduction

The symbol $\mathscr{L}(X,Z)$ stands for the space of all linear continuous operators from a normed space *X* into a normed space *Z*. Let $V \subset Z$ be (closed) subspaces of a Banach

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Lesław Skrzypek Department of Mathematics and Statistics, University of South Florida, 4202 E. Fowler Ave., CMC 342, Tampa, FL 33620-5700 E-mail: skrzypek@usf.edu space X. Put

$$\mathscr{P}_V(X,Z) := \{ P \in \mathscr{L}(X,Z) : P|_V = id \}.$$

$$(1)$$

Each element of $\mathscr{P}_V(X, Z)$ is called a **generalized projection**. We say that P_o is a **minimal generalized projection** (MGP) if it has the smallest possible norm, that is if

$$\|P_o\| = \lambda_Z(V, X) := \inf\{\|P\| : P \in \mathscr{P}_V(X, Z)\}.$$
(2)

The case V = Z corresponds to standard projections and we denote $\mathscr{P}(X,V) := \mathscr{P}_V(X,V)$ and $\lambda(V,X) := \lambda_V(V,X)$ for simplicity. Projections play an important role in numerical analysis. Given a projection *P*, we can approximate *x* by *Px* and the error of such approximation ||x - Px|| can be estimated by means of the elementary inequality

$$||x - Px|| \le ||id - P|| \cdot \operatorname{dist}(x, V) \le (1 + ||P||) \cdot \operatorname{dist}(x, V),$$
(3)

where dist $(x, V) := \inf\{||x - v|| : v \in V\}$. From the above inequality we deduce that the smaller the norm of *P* the better the approximation of *x* by *Px*. Notice that inequality (3) also holds for generalized projections. Moreover, if $V \subset Z$ then $\mathscr{P}_V(X, V) \subset \mathscr{P}_V(X, Z)$. The question arises, to what extent we can improve the approximation of *x* by *Px* if we consider generalized projections. The related question is how smaller the norms of the generalized projections are in relation to $\lambda(V, X)$.

The classic example considers the Fourier projection. Let $X = \mathscr{C}_{2\pi}(\mathbb{R})$ (the space of continuous 2π -periodic functions on \mathbb{R}) or $X = L_1[0, 2\pi]$ and denote by Π_n the space of all trigonometric polynomials of a degree less than or equal to *n*. The Fourier projection $F_n : X \to \Pi_n$ (that is the orthogonal projection onto Π_n) is given by

$$F_n(f)(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(s) D_n(t-s) \, ds, \tag{4}$$

where D_n is a Dirichlet kernel

$$D_n(t) = 1 + 2\cos(t) + \dots + 2\cos(nt) = \frac{\sin(\frac{2n+1}{2}t)}{\sin(\frac{t}{2})}.$$
(5)

Observe that, the Fourier projection is a self-adjoint operator so its operator norm induced by L_1 norm and L_{∞} (or supremum) norm is the same. The Fourier projection is uniquely minimal ([13], [2] and [10]) and its norm is given by ([7] and [9])

$$||F_n|| = ||D_n|| \approx \frac{4}{\pi^2} \ln n.$$
 (6)

The main difficulty here is that $||F_n|| \to \infty$ which, by Banach-Steinhaus theorem, means that the set of $f \in X$ for which the sequence $F_n(f)$ diverges is dense in X. We also refer the reader to [22], [8], [11], [12] and [18] for further reading regarding the properties of Fourier projection.

In 1918 de la Vallée Poussin ([15]) introduced the generalized projections considering the arithmetic means of Fourier projections

$$H_{n,2n} := \frac{F_n + F_{n+1} + \dots + F_{2n-1}}{n} \in \mathscr{P}_{\Pi_n}(X, \Pi_{2n-1}).$$
(7)

Observe that, the de la Vallée Poussin projection is a self-adjoint operator so its operator norm induced by L_1 norm and L_{∞} (or supremum) norm is the same. The main advantage of de la Vallée Poussin generalized projections $H_{n,2n}$ is that their norms are uniformly bounded. Recently, it has been shown that $H_{n,2n}$ are in fact the generalized minimal projections ([5]) and their exact norms have been established ([14])

$$||H_{n,2n}|| = ||F_1|| = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{\pi} = 1.435991....$$
 (8)

We also refer the reader to [3], [4], [20] and [21] for further reading regarding the properties of de la Vallée Poussin operators.

In this paper we consider the de la Vallée Poussin's type operators $H_{n,sn}$

$$H_{n,sn} := \frac{F_n + F_{n+1} + \dots + F_{sn-1}}{n} \in \mathscr{P}_{\Pi_n}(X, \Pi_{sn-1}).$$
(9)

We provide a full characterization when $H_{n,sn}$ is the minimal generalized projection (see Theorems 12, 14 and 16)

Theorem 1 $H_{n,sn}$ is (MGP) in $\mathscr{P}_{\Pi_n}(X, \Pi_{sn-1})$ if and only if s = 1 or s = 2.

We can easily see that $||H_{n,sn}|| \to 1$ as $s \to \infty$. But how fast is the convergence? Or how much do we gain by setting the overspace Z to be Π_{sn-1} (instead of Π_{2n-1})? We provide the tight asymptotic behavior of the L_1 norm and L_{∞} (or supremum) norm of the de la Vallée Poussin operators (see Theorem 18 given on page 13).

Theorem 2 $||H_{n,sn}|| = 1 + \Theta(\frac{1}{s})$, for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Here $a_n = \Theta(b_n)$ denotes that a_n is bounded both above and below by b_n asymptotically.

Summarizing, for the trigonometric system, we considered the sequence of subspaces Π_n and the sequence of corresponding overspaces such that

$$\Pi_n \subset \Pi_{n,2n-1} \subset \ldots \subset \Pi_{n,sn-1} \subset \ldots \subset X \tag{10}$$

and

$$\lambda_{\Pi_n}(X,\Pi_n) \approx \frac{4}{\pi^2} \ln n \tag{11}$$

$$\lambda_{\Pi_n}(X,\Pi_{2n-1}) = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{\pi} = 1.435991...$$
(12)

$$\lambda_{\Pi_n}(X,\Pi_{sn-1}) = 1 + \Theta(\frac{1}{s}) \tag{13}$$

We contrast the results obtained for the trigonometric system to the results obtained for the Rademacher system. Let $X = L_1[0, 1]$ and denote by $Rad_n = span\{r_0, ..., r_{n-1}\}$ the subspace spanned by the first *n* Rademacher functions. The Rademacher projection $R_n : X \to Rad_n$ (that is the orthogonal projection into Rad_n) is given by

$$R_n(f)(t) = \int_0^1 f(s) D_A^r(t \oplus s) \, ds,$$
(14)

where $D_n^r = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} r_i$ is a corresponding Dirichlet kernel. The Rademacher projection is minimal ([1]) and the behavior of its norm is given by ([17])

$$\|R_n\| = \Theta(\sqrt{n}). \tag{15}$$

Interestingly, and in contrast to the trigonometric system, we cannot improve anything by considering the generalized projections onto Rad_m (for m > n) as we obtain the following result (see Theorem 23).

Theorem 3 R_n is (MGP) in $\mathscr{P}_{Rad_n}(L_1[0,1], Rad_m)$.

Furthemore, if we set the overspace *Z* to be S_n (the space of simple functions generated by characteristic functions of the intervals $I_{l,n} = [\frac{l}{2^n}, \frac{l+1}{2^n})$, where $l \in \{0, 1, ..., 2^n - 1\}$) and consider the projection $L_n \in \mathscr{P}_{Rad_n}(L_1[0, 1], S_n)$ given by

$$L_n(f) = \sum_{l=0}^{2^n - 1} \left(\int_{I_{l,n}} f(x) dx \right) \chi_{I_{l,n}}$$
(16)

we establish the result below

Remark 4 $||L_n|| = 1$ and, therefore, L_n is (MGP) in $\mathscr{P}_{Rad_n}(L_1[0,1], S_n)$.

The following well known characterization of best approximation is a direct consequence of Hahn-Banach theorem and will be our main tool in determining whether a given generalized projection is minimal or not.

Theorem 5 ([19], Theorem 1.1) Let X be a Banach space and $V \subset X$ be a linear subspace and let $x_0 \in X \setminus cl(V)$. Then v_0 is a best approximation to x_0 in V iff there exists $f \in S(X^*)$ such that

$$f(x_0 - v_0) = ||x_0 - v_0|| \quad and \quad f|_V \equiv 0.$$
(17)

2 De la Vallée Poussin's type operators

Definition 6 Let $X = \mathscr{C}_{2\pi}(\mathbb{R})$ or $X = L_1[0, 2\pi]$. Let $H_{rn,sn} : X \to \Pi_{sn-1}$ be given by

$$H_{rn,sn}(f)(t) = \frac{1}{(s-r)n} \sum_{k=rn}^{sn-1} F_k(f)(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(u) V_{rn,sn}(t-u) du, \qquad (18)$$

where

$$V_{rn,sn}(t) = \frac{1}{(s-r)n} \sum_{k=rn}^{sn-1} D_k(t) = \frac{\sin(\frac{s-r}{2}nt)\sin(\frac{s+r}{2}nt)}{(s-r)n(\sin(\frac{1}{2}t))^2} = \frac{\sin^2(\frac{snt}{2}) - \sin^2(\frac{rnt}{2})}{(s-r)n(\sin(\frac{1}{2}t))^2}.$$
(19)

for some $r, s \in \mathbb{N}$ such that r < s. Then $H_{rn,sn} \in \mathscr{P}_{\Pi_{rn}}(X, \Pi_{sn-1})$ is a generalized projection called de la Vallée Poussin's type operator.

Observe that for every operator P which is de la Vallée Poussin's type operator there exist unique natural numbers r, s, n such that r and s are relatively prime and $P = H_{rn,sn}$.

Theorem 7 ([14], **Theorem 1.1**) Let $r, s, n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then

$$\|H_{rn,sn}\| = \|H_{r,s}\|.$$
(20)

PROOF. Using the identity

$$\frac{1}{\sin^2(t)} = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{(t+k\pi)^2}$$
(21)

we can provide a different and much shorter proof of the statement of this theorem. Indeed, by (21) we obtain

$$H_{rn,sn}(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(u) V_{rn,sn}(t-u) du = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(t-u) V_{rn,sn}(u) du$$
$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(t-u) \frac{1}{(s-r)n} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{\sin^2(\frac{snu}{2}) - \sin^2(\frac{rnu}{2}))}{(u+2k\pi)^2} du.$$

Since the above series is uniformly convergent on \mathbb{R} there follows

$$\begin{split} H_{rn,sn}(t) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{0}^{2\pi} f(t-u) \frac{1}{(s-r)n} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{\sin^{2}(\frac{snu}{2}) - \sin^{2}(\frac{rnu}{2}))}{(u+2k\pi)^{2}} du \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi(s-r)n} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{0}^{2\pi} f(t-u) \frac{\sin^{2}(\frac{snu}{2}) - \sin^{2}(\frac{rnu}{2}))}{(u+2k\pi)^{2}} du \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi(s-r)n} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{0}^{2\pi} f(t-u-2k\pi) \frac{\sin^{2}(\frac{sn(u+2k\pi)}{2}) - \sin^{2}(\frac{rn(u+2k\pi)}{2}))}{(u+2k\pi)^{2}} du \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi(s-r)n} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{2k\pi}^{2(k+1)\pi} f(t-u) \frac{\sin^{2}(\frac{snu}{2}) - \sin^{2}(\frac{rnu}{2}))}{u^{2}} du \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi(s-r)n} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(t-u) \frac{\sin^{2}(\frac{snu}{2}) - \sin^{2}(\frac{rnu}{2}))}{u^{2}} du \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi(s-r)n} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(t-u) \frac{\sin(\frac{s-r}{2}nu)\sin(\frac{s+r}{2}nu)}{u^{2}} du \end{split}$$

Hence

$$||H_{rn,sn}|| = \frac{2}{\pi(s-r)n} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{|\sin(\frac{s-r}{2}nu)\sin(\frac{s+r}{2}nu)|}{u^2} du.$$
 (22)

Making the substitution $\frac{2}{(s-r)n}x = u$, we get

$$||H_{rn,sn}|| = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{|\sin x \sin(\frac{s+r}{s-r}x)|}{x^2} dx,$$

which shows that the norm of the operator $H_{rn,sn}$ is independent of n.

Corollary 8 Let $p,q \in \mathbb{N}$ such that p > q then

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{|\sin x \sin(\frac{p}{q}x)|}{x^2} dx = \pi ||H_{p-q,p+q}||.$$

Lemma 9 ([5], Lemma 2.1) Let X be $\mathscr{C}_{2\pi}(\mathbb{R})$ or $L_1[0,2\pi]$. Let $\emptyset \neq A \subset B$ be finite subsets of \mathbb{Z} . We define $V := \operatorname{span}\{e^{ikt} : k \in A\}$ and $Z := \operatorname{span}\{e^{ikt} : k \in B\}$. For every $P \in \mathscr{P}_V(X, Z)$ there exists $\widetilde{P} \in \mathscr{P}_V(X, Z)$ such that

$$\|\widetilde{P}\| \le \|P\| \text{ and } \widetilde{P}(f)(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(s) \sum_{k \in B} a_k e^{ik(t-s)} ds$$
(23)

for some $a_k \in \mathbb{C}$, such that $a_k = 1$ for $k \in A$.

Lemma 10 Let X be $\mathscr{C}_{2\pi}(\mathbb{R})$ or $L_1[0,2\pi]$. Then $H_{rn,sn}$ is (MGP) in $\mathscr{P}_{\Pi_{rn}}(X,\Pi_{sn-1})$ *iff for all* $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ *such that rn* < |k| < sn *the following holds*

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \operatorname{sgn}(V_{rn,sn}(t))e^{ikt}\,dt = 0$$

PROOF. By Lemma 9 it is enough to show that $H_{rn,sn}$ is minimal in the set of generalized projections given by the convolutions (23). If P is a generalized projection of this form then there exists $b_k \in \mathbb{C}$, such that

$$P(f)(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(s) \Big(V_n(t-u) + \sum_{rn < |k| < sn} b_k e^{ik(t-u)} \Big) du$$

Then

$$\|P\| = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left| V_n(t) + \sum_{rn < |k| < sn} b_k e^{ikt} \right| dt$$

Hence $H_{rn,sn}$ is MGP if and only if 0 is a best approximation to the function $V_{rn,sn}$ in $Y := \operatorname{span}\{e^{ikt} : |k| \in \{rn+1, \dots, sn-1\}\} \text{ equipped with } L_1 \text{-norm. Since } sgn(V_{rn,sn}) \in \mathbb{C}$ $L_{\infty}[0,2\pi]$ is a unique norming functional for $V_{rn,sn} \in L_1[0,2\pi]$, by *Theorem 5* we obtain the assertion. \Box

Lemma 11 Let $n, s, r \in \mathbb{N}$ and s > r. Then the function $sgn(V_{rn,sn}) : (0, 2\pi) \to \mathbb{R}$ (see (19)) has the following properties

- 1. $\operatorname{sgn}(V_{rn,sn})$ is a $\frac{2\pi}{n}$ periodic function; 2. $\operatorname{sgn}(V_{rn,sn}(\frac{\pi}{n}-t)) = \operatorname{sgn}(V_{rn,sn}(\frac{\pi}{n}+t))$ for all $t \in (0, \frac{\pi}{n})$; 3. zeros of the function $\operatorname{sgn}(V_{rn,sn})$ in the interval $(0, \frac{\pi}{n})$ have one of two forms: (i) $\frac{2\pi a}{(s+r)n}$ for $a \in \{1, ..., p\}$, where p is the biggest natural number which is less than $\frac{s+r}{2}$;

(ii) $\frac{2\pi a}{(s-r)n}$ for $a \in \{1, ..., q\}$, where q is the biggest natural number which is less than $\frac{s-r}{2}$.

PROOF. Let $f(t) := \sin(\frac{s+r}{2}nt)\sin(\frac{s-r}{2}nt)$ for $t \in (0, 2\pi)$. By (19) we have $\operatorname{sgn}(V_{rn,sn}) = \operatorname{sgn}(f)$. Observe that, if the function *f* has the above properties, $\operatorname{sgn}(f)$ has the same properties.

1. Fix $t \in (0, \frac{2\pi(n-1)}{n})$, then $f(t + \frac{2\pi}{n}) = \sin(\frac{s+r}{2}nt + (s+r)\pi) \cdot \sin(\frac{s-r}{2}nt + (s-r)\pi) = (-1)^{s+r}(-1)^{s-r}f(t) = f(t)$. 2. Let $t \in (0, \frac{\pi}{n})$, then $f(\frac{\pi}{n} - t) = f(t - \frac{\pi}{n}) = (-1)^{s+r}(-1)^{s-r}f(t - \frac{\pi}{n}) = \sin(\frac{s+r}{2}n(t - \frac{\pi}{n}) + (s+r)\pi) \cdot \sin(\frac{s-r}{2}n(t - \frac{\pi}{n}) + (s-r)\pi) = f(\frac{\pi}{n} + t)$. 3. Follows from the definition of the function f. \Box

For simplicity of notation, we denote $H_{rn}^1 := H_{rn,(r+1)n}$, $V_{rn}^1 := V_{rn,(r+1)n}$ and $H_{rn}^2 := H_{rn,(r+2)n}$, $V_{rn}^2 := V_{rn,(r+2)n}$.

Theorem 12 Let $X = \mathscr{C}_{2\pi}(\mathbb{R})$ or $X = L_1[0, 2\pi]$. Then for all $r \in \mathbb{N}$ operator H_{rn}^1 is *MGP* in $\mathscr{P}_{\prod_r}(X, \prod_{(r+1)n-1})$.

PROOF. By Lemma 10 it is sufficient to show that, for every $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, such that $|k| \in (rn, (r+1)n)$ we have $\int_0^{2\pi} \operatorname{sgn}(V_{rn}^1(t))e^{ikt}dt = 0$. According to Lemma 11, $V_{rn}^1(t) = 0$ if and only if $t = \frac{2\pi b}{(2r+1)n}$ for $b \in \{1, \dots, (2r+1)n-1\}$. Moreover, only at double zeros of V_{rn}^1 ($t = \frac{2\pi a}{n}$ for $a \in \{1, \dots, n-1\}$) the function does not change the sign. Denote $I_b = \left(\frac{2\pi b}{(2r+1)n}, \frac{2\pi(b+1)}{(2r+1)n}\right)$ for $b \in \{0, \dots, (2r+1)n-1\}$. Observe that between two double zeros there is always an even number of simple zeros, which implies that the function V_{rn}^1 changes the sign an even number of times between them. Hence $\operatorname{sgn}(f)|_{I_b} = \operatorname{sgn}(f)|_{(0, \frac{2\pi}{(2r+1)n})} = 1$ for b = a(2r+1), where $a \in \{0, \dots, n-1\}$. Consequently for every $k \in \{0, 2, \dots, 2r\}$

$$\operatorname{sgn}(f)|_{I_b} = \operatorname{sgn}(f)|_{(0,\frac{2\pi}{(2r+1)n})} = 1$$
 for $b = a(2r+1) + k$

where $a \in \{0, ..., n-1\}$ and for $k \in \{1, 3, ..., 2r-1\}$

$$\operatorname{sgn}(f)|_{I_b} = \operatorname{sgn}(f)|_{(0,\frac{2\pi}{(2r+1)n})} = -1$$
 for $b = a(2r+1) + k$,

where $a \in \{0, ..., n-1\}$. For simplicity of notation let $I_{a,l} = I_{a(2r+1)+l}$ for $a \in \{0, 1, ..., n-1\}$ and $l \in \{0, 1, ..., 2r\}$. Now, fix $k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$

$$\int_{0}^{2\pi} \operatorname{sgn}(V_{n}(t))e^{ikt}dt = \sum_{l=0}^{2r} (-1)^{l} \sum_{a=0}^{n-1} \int_{I_{a,l}} e^{ikt}dt$$

= $(ik)^{-1} \sum_{l=0}^{2r} (-1)^{l} \sum_{a=0}^{n-1} \left(e^{\frac{2\pi ik(a(2r+1)+l+1)}{(2r+1)n}} - e^{\frac{2\pi ik(a(2r+1)+l)}{(2r+1)n}}\right)$
= $(ik)^{-1} \sum_{l=0}^{2r} (-1)^{l} e^{\frac{2\pi ik(l+1)}{(2r+1)n}} \sum_{a=0}^{n-1} \left(e^{\frac{2\pi ik}{n}}\right)^{a}$
 $- (ik)^{-1} \sum_{l=0}^{2r} (-1)^{l} e^{\frac{2\pi ikl}{(2r+1)n}} \sum_{a=0}^{n-1} \left(e^{\frac{2\pi ik}{n}}\right)^{a}.$

If rn < |k| < (r+1)n, then $e^{\frac{2\pi ik}{n}} \neq 1$. Hence

$$\int_{0}^{2\pi} \operatorname{sgn}(V_n(t)) e^{ikt} dt = (ik)^{-1} \sum_{l=0}^{2r} (-1)^l \left(e^{\frac{2\pi ik(l+1)}{(2r+1)n}} - e^{\frac{2\pi ikl}{(2r+1)n}} \right) \frac{1 - e^{2\pi ik}}{1 - e^{\frac{2\pi ik}{n}}} = 0$$

which yields the conclusion. \Box

By *Theorem* 7 we have the following formula for the norm of the operator H_{rn}^1 .

Theorem 13 Let $X = \mathscr{C}_{2\pi}(\mathbb{R})$ or $X = L_1[0, 2\pi]$. Fix $r \in \mathbb{N}$. Then for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\|H_{rn}^1\| = L_r, (24)$$

where L_r is the r-th Lebesgue constant $(L_r = ||F_r|| = ||D_r||)$.

Theorem 14 Let $X = \mathscr{C}_{2\pi}(\mathbb{R})$ or $X = L_1[0, 2\pi]$. Then for all $r \in \mathbb{N}$, the operator H_{rn}^2 is MGP in $\mathscr{P}_{\prod_r}(X, \prod_{(r+2)n-1})$.

PROOF. By *Lemma 10* it is sufficient to show that for every $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, such that $|k| \in (rn, (r+2)n)$ holds $\int_0^{2\pi} \operatorname{sgn}(V_{rn}^2(t)) e^{ikt} dt = 0$. Accordingly to *Lemma 11* $V_{rn}^2(t) = 0$ iff $t = \frac{\pi b}{(r+1)n}$ for $b \in \{1, \ldots, 2(r+1)n-1\}$. Moreover only in double zeros of $V_{rn}^2(t) = \frac{\pi a}{n}$ for $a \in \{1, \ldots, 2n-1\}$) does not change the sign. Denote $I_b := \left(\frac{\pi b}{(r+1)n}, \frac{\pi(b+1)}{(r+1)n}\right)$ for $b \in \{0, \ldots, 2(r+1)n-1\}$. Observe that between two consecutive double zeros there are exactly r simple zeros. Hence $\operatorname{sgn}(f)|_{I_b} = \operatorname{sgn}(f)|_{I_{b+2l(r+1)}}$ for all $b \in 0, \ldots, 2r+1$ and $l \in \{1, \ldots, n-1\}$. Fix $k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$, then

$$\int_{0}^{2\pi} \operatorname{sgn}(V_{rn}^{2}(t)) e^{ikt} dt = \sum_{b=0}^{2r+1} \operatorname{sgn}(f)|_{I_{b}} \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} \int_{I_{b+2l(r+1)}} e^{ikt} dt$$

= $(ik)^{-1} \sum_{b=0}^{2r+1} \operatorname{sgn}(f)|_{I_{b}} \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} \left(e^{\frac{\pi ik(b+1+2l(r+1))}{(r+1)n}} - e^{\frac{\pi ik(b+2l(r+1))}{(r+1)n}} \right)$
= $(ik)^{-1} \sum_{b=0}^{2r+1} \operatorname{sgn}(f)|_{I_{b}} \left(e^{\frac{\pi ik(b+1)}{(r+1)n}} - e^{\frac{\pi ikb}{(r+1)n}} \right) \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} \left(e^{\frac{2\pi ik}{n}} \right)^{l}$

If rn < |k| < (r+1)n or (r+1)n < |k| < (r+2)n then $e^{\frac{2\pi ik}{n}} \neq 1$. Hence

$$\int_{0}^{2\pi} \operatorname{sgn}(V_{rn}^{2}(t)) e^{ikt} dt = (ik)^{-1} \sum_{b=0}^{2r+1} \operatorname{sgn}(f) |_{I_{b}} \left(e^{\frac{\pi ik(b+1)}{(r+1)n}} - e^{\frac{\pi ikb}{(r+1)n}} \right) \frac{1 - e^{2\pi ik}}{1 - e^{\frac{2\pi ik}{n}}} = 0.$$

On the other hand for |k| = (r+1)n, we have

$$\int_{0}^{2\pi} \operatorname{sgn}(V_{rn}^{2}(t))e^{ikt}dt = (ik)^{-1}\sum_{b=0}^{2r+1} 2n\operatorname{sgn}(f)|_{I_{b}}(-1)^{b+1}$$
$$= (ik)^{-1}\sum_{b=0}^{r} 2n(-1)^{2b+1} + (ik)^{-1}\sum_{b=r+1}^{2r+1} 2n(-1)^{2b} = 0,$$

which completes the proof. \Box

By the above calculations it is easy to deduce the formula for $||H_{rn}^2||$.

Theorem 15 Let $X = \mathscr{C}_{2\pi}(\mathbb{R})$ or $X = L_1[0, 2\pi]$. Then for all odd $r \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\|H_{rn}^2\| = \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{m=0}^{\frac{r-1}{2}} \frac{\tan\left(\frac{(2m+1)\pi}{2(r+1)}\right)}{2m+1}.$$
(25)

PROOF. Using *Theorem* 7 we get $||H_{rn}^2|| = ||H_r^2||$. Accordingly by *Definition* 6 we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|H_r^2\| &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |V_r^2(t)| \, dt \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \operatorname{sgn}(V_r^2(t)) \Big(\sum_{k=-r}^r e^{ikt} + \frac{1}{2} (e^{i(r+1)t} + e^{-i(r+1)t}) \Big) \, dt. \end{aligned}$$

By the proof of Theorem 14

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \operatorname{sgn}(V_r^2(t))(e^{i(r+1)t} + e^{-i(r+1)t}) \, dt = 0,$$

and for $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $0 < |k| \le r$

$$\begin{split} a_k &:= \int_0^{2\pi} \operatorname{sgn}(V_r^2(t)) e^{ikt} \, dt = (ik)^{-1} \sum_{b=0}^r (-1)^b \left(e^{\frac{\pi ik(b+1)}{r+1}} - e^{\frac{\pi ikb}{r+1}} \right) \\ &+ (ik)^{-1} \sum_{b=r+1}^{2r+1} (-1)^{b-1} \left(e^{\frac{\pi ik(b+1)}{r+1}} - e^{\frac{\pi ikb}{r+1}} \right) = (ik)^{-1} \sum_{b=0}^r (-1)^b \left(e^{\frac{\pi ik(b+1)}{r+1}} - e^{\frac{\pi ikb}{r+1}} \right) \\ &+ \frac{e^{\pi ik}}{ik} \sum_{b=0}^r (-1)^{b+r} \left(e^{\frac{\pi ik(b+1)}{r+1}} - e^{\frac{\pi ikb}{r+1}} \right). \end{split}$$

Hence for k = 2m, $a_k = 0$, and for k = 2m + 1 we have

$$a_{k} = \frac{2}{ik} \sum_{b=0}^{r} (-1)^{b} \left(e^{\frac{\pi i k(b+1)}{r+1}} - e^{\frac{\pi i kb}{r+1}} \right) = 4 \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\frac{r-1}{2}} e^{\frac{\pi i k(2b+1)}{r+1}} - \sum_{k=1}^{\frac{r-1}{2}} e^{\frac{2\pi i kb}{r+1}} \right)$$
$$= 4 \left(e^{\frac{\pi i k}{r+1}} - 1 \right) \sum_{k=1}^{\frac{r-1}{2}} \left(e^{\frac{2\pi i kb}{r+1}} + 4e^{\frac{\pi i k}{r+1}} \right) = \frac{4}{ik} \cdot \frac{e^{\frac{\pi i k}{2(r+1)}} - e^{\frac{-\pi i k}{2(r+1)}}}{e^{\frac{\pi i k}{2(r+1)}}} = \frac{4}{k} \tan \left(\frac{\pi k}{2(r+1)} \right).$$

Notice that zeros of the function V_r^2 divide the interval $(0, \pi)$ into r + 1 equal parts. Since all zeros in this interval are simple, sign of the function is equal 1 on $\frac{r+1}{2}$ parts and -1 on the $\frac{r+1}{2}$ parts. Hence by *Lemma 11* (2) $a_0 = 0$. Now we can easily compute the norm

$$\|H_{m}^{2}\| = \|H_{r}^{2}\| = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{k=-r}^{k=r} a_{k} = \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{m=0}^{\frac{r-1}{2}} a_{2m+1} = \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{m=0}^{\frac{r-1}{2}} \frac{\tan\left(\frac{(2m+1)\pi}{2(r+1)}\right)}{2m+1}. \ \Box$$

Now we present a theorem, which shows that de la Vallée Poussin's type operators do not have to be (MGP).

Theorem 16 Let $n, s \in \mathbb{N}$ and s > 3. Then $H_{n,sn}$ is not a minimal generalized projection in $\mathscr{P}_{\Pi_n}(X, \Pi_{sn-1})$.

PROOF. To the contrary, assume that $H_{n,sn}$ is MGP. According to Lemma 10, for all $|k| \in \{n+1,\ldots,sn-1\}$ we have $\int_0^{2\pi} \operatorname{sgn}(V_{n,sn})(t)e^{ikt} dt = 0$, and consequently

$$\int_{0}^{2\pi} \operatorname{sgn}(V_{n,sn}(t)) \cos(kt) \, dt = 0 \quad \text{for all} \ k \in \{n+1, \dots, sn-1\}.$$
(26)

Since s > 3, n < (s-2)n < sn. The functions $\cos((s-2)nt)$ and $\operatorname{sgn}(V_{n,sn}(t))$ are $\frac{2\pi}{n}$ periodic. Hence by (26) we get

$$\int_{0}^{\frac{2\pi}{n}} \operatorname{sgn}(V_{n,sn}(t)) \cos((s-2)nt) \, dt = 0$$

Using Lemma 11 it is easy to see that $sgn(V_{n,sn}(t)) = sgn(V_{1,s}(nt))$ for $t \in (0, \frac{2\pi}{n})$, and consequently

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \operatorname{sgn}(V_{1,s}(t)) \cos((s-2)t) \, dt = 0.$$

Now assume that s = 2l + 1 for some integer $l \ge 2$. In the proof of the next theorem we will show the equation ((29)) and thus

$$\int_{0}^{2\pi} \operatorname{sgn}(V_{1,s}(t)) \cos((s-2)t) \, dt = \frac{4}{s-2} \left(\cot\left(\frac{\pi(s-2)}{s+1}\right) - \cot\left(\frac{\pi(s-2)}{s-1}\right) \right) \neq 0,$$

which leads to the contrary. Now consider s = 2l for some integer $l \ge 2$. Then by (31) below

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \operatorname{sgn}(V_{1,s}(t)) \cos((s-2)t) \, dt = \frac{2}{s-2} \left(\tan\left(\frac{\pi(s-2)}{2(s+1)}\right) - \tan\left(\frac{\pi(s-2)}{2(s-1)}\right) \right) \neq 0,$$

a contradiction. \Box

Theorem 17 Let $n \ge 1$ and $l \ge 2$ be integers. Then

$$\|H_{n,(2l+1)n}\| = \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{m=0}^{l-1} \frac{l-m}{l(2m+1)} \left(\cot\left(\frac{(2m+1)\pi}{2(l+1)}\right) - \cot\left(\frac{(2m+1)\pi}{2l}\right) \right)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \|H_{n,2ln}\| &= \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{m=0}^{l-1} \frac{2(l-m)-1}{(2l-1)(2m+1)} \left(\cot\left(\frac{(2m+1)\pi}{2(2l+1)}\right) - \cot\left(\frac{(2m+1)\pi}{2(2l-1)}\right) \right) \\ &+ \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{m=1}^{l-1} \frac{l-m}{(2l-1)m} \left(\tan\left(\frac{m\pi}{2l-1}\right) - \tan\left(\frac{m\pi}{2l+1}\right) \right) + \frac{1}{4l^2-1}. \end{aligned}$$

PROOF. Using *Theorem* 7 we get $||H_{n,sn}|| = ||H_{1,s}||$. By *Definition* 6

$$||H_{1,s}|| = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |V_{1,s}(t)| dt = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \operatorname{sgn}(V_{1,s}(t)) \left(1 + \sum_{k=1}^{s-1} \frac{s-k}{s-1} (e^{ikt} + e^{-ikt})\right) dt.$$

For $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, denote

$$a_k := \int_0^{2\pi} \operatorname{sgn}(V_{1,s}(t)) e^{ikt} dt.$$

Now, fix k such that $|k| \in \{1, \dots, s-1\}$. Then by *Lemma 11*

$$\begin{aligned} a_k &= \int_0^{\pi} \operatorname{sgn}(V_{1,s}(t)) e^{ikt} \, dt + \int_0^{\pi} \operatorname{sgn}(V_{1,s}(2\pi - t)) e^{ik(2\pi - t)} \, dt \\ &= \int_0^{\pi} \operatorname{sgn}(V_{1,s}(t)) (e^{ikt} + e^{-ikt}) \, dt = 2 \sum_{a=1}^{\left\lfloor \frac{s}{2} \right\rfloor} \int_{\frac{2\pi (a-1)}{s-1}}^{\frac{2\pi a}{s+1}} \cos(kt) \, dt \\ &- 2 \sum_{a=1}^{\left\lfloor \frac{s}{2} \right\rfloor - 1} \int_{\frac{2\pi a}{s+1}}^{\frac{2\pi a}{s-1}} \cos(kt) \, dt - 2 \int_{\frac{2\pi \left\lfloor \frac{s}{2} \right\rfloor}{s+1}}^{\pi} \cos(kt) \, dt \\ &= \frac{4}{k} \sum_{a=1}^{\left\lfloor \frac{s}{2} \right\rfloor} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi k}{s+1}a\right) - \frac{4}{k} \sum_{a=1}^{\left\lfloor \frac{s}{2} \right\rfloor - 1} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi k}{s-1}a\right). \end{aligned}$$

By the above computation it is easy to see that $a_{-k} = a_k$, for all $k \in \{1, ..., s - 1\}$. Hence

$$||H_{1,s}|| = \frac{1}{2\pi} (a_0 + 2\sum_{k=1}^{s-1} a_k).$$
(27)

Now assume that s = 2l + 1 for some $l \in \mathbb{N}_2$. In this case π is a double zero of the function sgn($V_{1,s}$), so by *Lemma 11* (2) $a_0 = 0$. If k = 2m for some $m \in \{1, ..., l-1\}$, then by the above and the following trigonometric identity

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} \sin kt = \frac{\sin\left(\frac{n+1}{2}t\right)\sin\left(\frac{n}{2}t\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{t}{2}\right)}.$$
(28)

we obtain

$$a_k = \frac{2}{m} \left(\frac{\sin(\pi m) \sin\left(\frac{\pi m l}{l+1}\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{l+1}\right)} - \frac{\sin(\pi m) \sin\left(\frac{\pi m (l-1)}{l}\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{\pi m}{l}\right)} \right) = 0,$$

moreover for k = 2l we have

$$a_k = \frac{4}{k} \sum_{a=1}^{l} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi l}{l+1}a\right) = \frac{2\sin(\pi l)\sin\left(\frac{\pi l^2}{l+1}\right)}{l\sin\left(\frac{\pi l}{l+1}\right)} = 0$$

Analogously for k = 2m + 1 ($m \in \{0, ..., l - 1\}$) we can compute

$$a_{k} = \frac{4}{k} \left(\frac{\sin\left(\frac{\pi k}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi k}{2} - \frac{\pi k}{2(l+1)}\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{\pi k}{2(l+1)}\right)} - \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\pi k}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi k}{2} - \frac{\pi k}{2l}\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{\pi k}{2l}\right)} \right)$$

$$= \frac{4}{k} \left(\cot\left(\frac{\pi k}{2(l+1)}\right) - \cot\left(\frac{\pi k}{2l}\right) \right).$$
(29)

Hence by (27)

$$\|H_{1,2m+1}\| = \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{m=0}^{l-1} \frac{l-m}{l(2m+1)} \left(\cot\left(\frac{(2m+1)\pi}{2(l+1)}\right) - \cot\left(\frac{(2m+1)\pi}{2l}\right) \right),$$

which completes the proof of the first part of our theorem. Now we are taking s = 2l for some integer $l \ge 2$. Then

$$a_0 = 4\sum_{a=1}^{l} \frac{2\pi a}{(s+1)} - 4\sum_{a=1}^{l-1} \frac{2\pi a}{(s-1)} - 2\pi = \frac{2\pi}{4l^2 - 1},$$
(30)

and for k = 2m, where $m \in \{1, \dots, l-1\}$

$$a_{k} = \frac{4}{k} \left(\frac{\sin(\pi m + \frac{\pi m}{2l+1})\sin(\pi m - \frac{\pi m}{2l+1})}{\sin(2\frac{\pi m}{2l+1})} - \frac{\sin(\pi m + \frac{\pi m}{2l-1})\sin(\pi m - \frac{\pi m}{2l-1})}{\sin(2\frac{\pi m}{2l-1})} \right)$$

$$= \frac{2}{k} \left(\tan\left(\frac{\pi m}{2l-1}\right) - \tan\left(\frac{\pi m}{2l+1}\right) \right).$$
(31)

Moreover for k = 2m + 1, where $m \in \{0, \dots, l - 1\}$

$$a_{k} = \frac{4}{k} \left(\frac{\sin\left(\frac{\pi(2m+1)}{2} + \frac{\pi(2m+1)}{2(2l+1)}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi(2m+1)}{2} - \frac{\pi(2m+1)}{2(2l+1)}\right)}{\sin\left(2\frac{\pi(2m+1)}{2(2l+1)}\right)} - \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\pi(2m+1)}{2} + \frac{\pi(2m+1)}{2(2l-1)}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi(2m+1)}{2} - \frac{\pi(2m+1)}{2(2l-1)}\right)}{\sin\left(2\frac{\pi(2m+1)}{2(2l-1)}\right)} \right)$$
(32)
$$= \frac{2}{k} \left(\cot\left(\frac{\pi(2m+1)}{2(2l+1)}\right) - \cot\left(\frac{\pi(2m+1)}{2(2l-1)}\right) \right).$$

Hence by (27)

$$\begin{aligned} \|H_{1,2l}\| &= \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{m=0}^{l-1} \frac{2(l-m)-1}{(2l-1)(2m+1)} \left(\cot\left(\frac{(2m+1)\pi}{2(2l+1)}\right) - \cot\left(\frac{(2m+1)\pi}{2(2l-1)}\right) \right) \\ &+ \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{m=1}^{l-1} \frac{l-m}{(2l-1)m} \left(\tan\left(\frac{m\pi}{2l-1}\right) - \tan\left(\frac{m\pi}{2l+1}\right) \right) + \frac{1}{4l^2 - 1}, \end{aligned}$$

as required. $\hfill\square$

Theorem 18 For all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we have

$$\|H_{n,sn}\| = 1 + \Theta\left(\frac{1}{s}\right).$$
(33)

PROOF. Observe first that the upper estimation is a straightforward consequence of the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality. Indeed

$$\begin{aligned} \|H_{rn,sn}\| &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{|\sin x \sin(\frac{s+r}{s-r}x)|}{x^2} dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \left| \frac{\sin x}{x} \cdot \frac{\sin(\frac{s+r}{s-r}x)}{x} \right| dx \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\pi} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2} dx \right)^{1/2} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{\sin^2(\frac{s+r}{s-r}x)}{x^2} dx \right)^{1/2} \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \pi^{1/2} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{s+r}{s-r}} \cdot \pi^{1/2} = \sqrt{1 + \frac{2r}{s-r}} \leq 1 + \frac{r}{s-r}. \end{aligned}$$

The main difficulty in Theorem 18 is in the lower estimation. By *Theorem* 7, (18) and (19) we get

$$||H_{n,sn}|| = ||H_{1,s}|| = \frac{1}{2\pi(s-1)} \int_0^{2\pi} \left| \frac{\sin^2(\frac{st}{2})}{\sin^2(\frac{t}{2})} - 1 \right| dt.$$

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Let Ω be a subset of $[0, 2\pi]$ and $\widehat{\Omega} := [0, 2\pi] \setminus \Omega$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|H_{n,sn}\| &\geq \frac{1}{2\pi(s-1)} \left(\int_{\widehat{\Omega}} \left(\frac{\sin^2(\frac{st}{2})}{\sin^2(\frac{t}{2})} - 1 \right) dt + \int_{\Omega} \left(1 - \frac{\sin^2(\frac{st}{2})}{\sin^2(\frac{t}{2})} \right) dt \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi(s-1)} \left(\int_{0}^{2\pi} \left(\frac{\sin^2(\frac{st}{2})}{\sin^2(\frac{t}{2})} - 1 \right) dt + 2 \int_{\Omega} \left(1 - \frac{\sin^2(\frac{st}{2})}{\sin^2(\frac{t}{2})} \right) dt \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi(s-1)} \left(2\pi s - 2\pi + 2 \int_{\Omega} \left(1 - \frac{\sin^2(\frac{st}{2})}{\sin^2(\frac{t}{2})} \right) dt \right) \\ &= 1 + \frac{1}{\pi(s-1)} \int_{\Omega} \left(1 - \frac{\sin^2(\frac{st}{2})}{\sin^2(\frac{t}{2})} \right) dt. \end{aligned}$$
(34)

Observe that

$$K(t) = 1 - \frac{\sin^2(\frac{st}{2})}{\sin^2(\frac{t}{2})} = \frac{\cos(st) - \cos(t)}{1 - \cos(t)}.$$
(35)

Let $\Omega = \bigcup_k \left[\frac{2\pi}{s}k - \frac{c}{s}, \frac{2\pi}{s}k + \frac{c}{s}\right]$ where the summation is over all integers k such that $\frac{2\pi}{s}k$ is in the interval $\left[\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}\right]$ and c is a fixed number $0 < c \le \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot \frac{s}{s+1}$. Note that on Ω it holds $K(t) \ge 0$ and as a result $K(t) \ge \frac{1}{2}(\cos(st) - \cos(t))$. As a result, using (34), we have

$$\|H_{n,sn}\| \ge 1 + \frac{1}{\pi(s-1)} \int_{\Omega} \left(1 - \frac{\sin^2(\frac{st}{2})}{\sin^2(\frac{t}{2})} \right) dt \ge 1 + \frac{1}{2\pi(s-1)} \int_{\Omega} \cos(st) - \cos(t) dt$$

Since $\Omega \subset [\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{c}{s}, \frac{3\pi}{2} + \frac{c}{s}]$ then $\int_{\Omega} (-\cos(t))dt > 0$. Moreover

$$\int_{\frac{2\pi}{s}k-\frac{c}{s}}^{\frac{2\pi}{s}k+\frac{c}{s}}\cos(st)dt = \frac{2\sin(c)}{s}.$$
(36)

Therefore

$$\|H_{n,sn}\| \ge 1 + \frac{1}{2\pi(s-1)} \int_{\Omega} \cos(st) dt \ge 1 + \frac{1}{2\pi(s-1)} \cdot \frac{2\sin(c)}{s} \cdot \frac{s-1}{2}$$
$$\ge 1 + \frac{0.11}{s}.$$
(37)

We can asymptotically improve on the above estimate as follows

$$\int_{\Omega} (-\cos(t))dt = \sum_{k} \int_{\frac{2\pi}{s}k - \frac{c}{s}}^{\frac{2\pi}{s}k + \frac{c}{s}} - \cos(t)dt = \sum_{k} \sin(\frac{2\pi}{s}k - \frac{c}{s}) - \sin(\frac{2\pi}{s}k + \frac{c}{s})$$
$$= \sum_{k} -2\sin(\frac{c}{s})\cos(\frac{2\pi}{s}k)$$
$$= 2\sin(\frac{c}{s})(\sum_{k} -\cos(\frac{2\pi}{s}k))$$
(38)

Note that $\sum_{k} (-\cos(\frac{2\pi}{s}k)) \cdot \frac{2\pi}{s}$ is a Riemann sum of $\int_{\pi/2}^{3\pi/2} (-\cos(t)dt) = 2$. Therefore $\sum_{k} (-\cos(\frac{2\pi}{s}k)) \approx 2 \cdot \frac{s}{2\pi} = \frac{s}{\pi}$. Hence

$$\int_{\Omega} (-\cos(t))dt \approx \frac{2c}{\pi}.$$
(39)

Combining this and (36) we get

$$\int_{\Omega} (\cos(st) - \cos(t)) dt \approx \sin(c) + \frac{2c}{\pi}$$

Remark 19 Letting $s \to \infty$ and setting $c = \frac{\pi}{4}$ we obtain

$$1 + \frac{0.192}{s-1} < \|H_{n,sn}\| < 1 + \frac{1}{s-1},$$

for s sufficiently large.

By the above theorem and Corollary 8 we immediately get the following result.

Corollary 20 Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{|\sin x \sin(1+\frac{1}{n})x|}{x^2} dx = \pi + \Theta\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$$

3 Rademacher projections

We contrast the results obtained for the trigonometric system to the results obtained for the Rademacher system. The well-known Rademacher functions, $r_0, r_1, ...,$ defined by $r_j(t) = (-1)^{\lfloor 2^{j_t} \rfloor}$ for $0 \le t \le 1$ plays a central role in many areas of analysis ($\lfloor x \rfloor$ denotes the integer part of x). For further investigations we will need a notion of **dyadic group**. We shall denote the set of **dyadic rationals** in the unit interval $\lfloor 0, 1 \rfloor$ by Q. In particular, each element of Q has a form $p/2^n$ for some $p, n \in \mathbb{N}, 0 \le p < 2^n$. Any $x \in \lfloor 0, 1 \rfloor$ may be written in the form

$$x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x_k 2^{-(k+1)},$$
(40)

where each $x_k = 0$ or 1. For each $x \in [0,1] \setminus Q$ there is only one expression of this form. We shall call it the **dyadic expansion** of x. When $x \in Q \setminus \{0\}$ there are two expression of this form, one which terminates in 0's and one which terminates in 1's. By the dyadic expansion of $x \in Q$ we shall mean the one which terminates in 0's. Notice that $1 \notin Q$ so the dyadic expansion of x = 1 terminates in 1's. Now we can define the **dyadic addition** of two numbers x, y by

$$x \oplus y = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |x_k - y_k| 2^{-(k+1)}.$$
(41)

Observe that $x \oplus x = 0$ therefore $x \oplus y = x \ominus y$.

Theorem 21 (see e.g. [17]) The following holds true

$$r_n(x \oplus y) = r_n(x)r_n(y) \qquad \text{for } x \oplus y \notin Q \tag{42}$$

For many other interesting facts concerning Rademacher functions the reader is referred to [17]. Let *A* be a nonempty finite subset of \mathbb{N} . Denote

$$Rad_A = span\{r_k : k \in A\}.$$
(43)

The Rademacher projection is defined by

$$R_A = \sum_{i \in A} r_i \otimes r_i : L_1[0, 1] \to Rad_A.$$
(44)

We can write the above projection as

$$R_A(f) = \sum_{i \in A} \left(\int_0^1 r_i(t) f(t) dt \right) r_i, \tag{45}$$

or using Dirichlet kernel $D_A^r = \sum_{i \in A} r_i$ and orthogonality of Rademacher functions as

$$(R_A f)(s) = \int_0^1 f(t) D_A^r(t \oplus s) dt.$$
 (46)

Lemma 22 Let $A \subset B$ be nonempty finite subsets of \mathbb{N} . The norm of Rademacher projection R_A restricted to the subspace Rad_B is equal 1.

PROOF. Let $Y := \operatorname{span}\{r_k : k \in B \setminus A\} \subset L_1[0, 1]$. Since for every function $f := \sum_{l \in B} a_l r_l \in Rad_B$ we have $R_A f = \sum_{l \in A} a_l r_l$, it is sufficient to show that 0 is a best approximation to $R_A f$ in Y. According to *Theorem 5* it suffices to prove that for every $k \in B \setminus A$ we have $\int_0^1 \operatorname{sgn}(R_A f(s)) r_k(s) ds = 0$. Fix $k \in B \setminus A$. Denote

$$I_{j,k} := \left[\frac{j-1}{2^k}, \frac{j}{2^k}\right) \text{ for } j \in \{1, \dots, 2^k\}.$$

Observe that, if l < k then

$$|I_{2m-1,k} \cup I_{2m,k} \equiv const$$
 for $m \in \{1, \dots, 2^{k-1}\}$.

Moreover for l > k we have

$$r_l\left(t+\frac{1}{2^k}\right)=r_l(t).$$

Hence if $t \in I_{2m-1,k}$ for some $m \in \{1, \ldots, 2^{k-1}\}$ then

$$R_A f\left(t + \frac{1}{2^k}\right) = \sum_{l \in A} a_l r_l\left(t + \frac{1}{2^k}\right) = \sum_{l \in A} a_l r_l(t) = R_A f(t),$$

which implies

$$\int_0^1 \operatorname{sgn}(R_A f(t)) r_k(t) \, ds = \sum_{j=1}^{2^k} \int_{I_{j,k}} \operatorname{sgn}(R_A f(t)) (-1)^{j+1} \, ds = 0,$$

as required. \Box

Theorem 23 Let $A \subset B$ be nonempty finite subsets of \mathbb{N} . Then the Rademacher projection R_A is a minimal generalized projection in $\mathscr{P}_{Rad_A}(L_1[0,1],Rad_B)$.

PROOF. Fixed $Q \in \mathscr{P}_{Rad_A}(L_1[0,1], Rad_B)$. Then $\widetilde{Q} := R_A \circ Q$ is a projection from $L_1[0,1]$ onto Rad_A and by Lemma 22 $\|\widetilde{Q}\| \le \|Q\|$, which implies

$$\lambda(Rad_A, L_1[0, 1]) \leq \lambda_{Rad_B}(Rad_A, L_1[0, 1])$$

Consequently, the Rademacher projection R_A , which is minimal in $\mathscr{P}(L_1[0,1], Rad_A)$, is also minimal generalized projection in $\mathscr{P}_{Rad_A}(L_1[0,1], Rad_B)$. \Box

By the symmetry of Rademacher spaces and the well-known estimation of the classical Rademacher projection norm based on Khinchin's inequality (see [6]) we have the following result

Theorem 24 (see e.g. [17]) Let A be a nonempty finite subset of \mathbb{N} . Then

$$\|R_A\| = \|R_n\| = \Theta(\sqrt{n}), \tag{47}$$

where n denotes the cardinality of A.

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