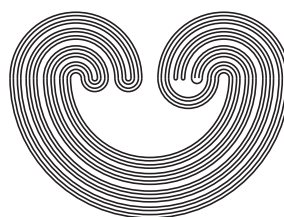


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ABSTRACT. We prove and apply an elementary theorem in calculus to improve the Banach-Stone type theorem on C^1 -function spaces over the unit circle on the complex plane proved in [8, Theorem 3.1].

1. INTRODUCTION

This is a continuation of the paper [8]. The Banach-Stone theorem states that every linear isometry on the space of continuous functions over a compact Hausdorff space (with the sup norm) is a weighted composition operator with a unimodular weight. Various extensions of the theorem have been studied by many authors (see monographs [3],[4]). Banach-Stone type theorems for the C^1 -function spaces over $[0, 1]$ have been proved in [1], [6], [7], [11], [12], [13], [14] etc. Recently the author obtained a similar theorem for $C^1(\mathbb{T})$, the space of C^1 -function space over the unit circle $\mathbb{T} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| = 1\}$ on the complex plane [8]. In [8, Theorem 3.1] it was shown that every linear isometry $T : C^1(\mathbb{T}) \rightarrow C^1(\mathbb{T})$ with respect to a suitable norm is a weighted composition operator or its variant if the isometry T satisfies an additional hypothesis:

$$(*) \quad T(\text{id}_{\mathbb{T}}) \text{ and } T(\overline{\text{id}_{\mathbb{T}}}) \text{ are } C^3\text{-functions}$$

where $\text{id}_{\mathbb{T}}$ and $\overline{\text{id}_{\mathbb{T}}}$ denote the identity function on \mathbb{T} and its complex conjugate respectively. The above technical hypothesis was assumed only to prove the following lemma.

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Lemma 1.1. [8, Lemma 3.12] *Let $\psi : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$ be a C^2 -diffeomorphism and let $\beta : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$ be a C^1 -map such that, for each C^1 -function $f \in C^1(\mathbb{T})$, there exists a C^1 -function $F \in C^1(\mathbb{T})$ such that*

$$F'(z) = \beta(z)f'(\psi(z)), \quad z \in \mathbb{T}.$$

Then β is a constant map and ψ is an isometry.

In this note we prove the above lemma without the C^1 - and C^2 -hypotheses of the maps β and ψ . First we prove:

Theorem 1.2. *Let $\beta : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a continuous function of period 1 and let $\psi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a homeomorphism with a constant $\gamma \in \{\pm 1\}$ such that*

$$\psi(t+1) = \psi(t) + \gamma, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Suppose that

$$(1.1) \quad \int_0^1 \beta(t)f'(\psi(t))dt = 0$$

for each periodic C^1 -function $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ of period 1. Then

- (1) β is a constant function and
- (2) there exists a constant c such that $\psi(t) = \gamma t + c$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$.

Then we derive the same conclusion as that of Lemma 1.1 under a weaker hypothesis. More precisely we have:

Proposition 1.3. *Let $\psi : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$ be a homeomorphism and let $\beta : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$ be a continuous map such that, for each C^1 -function $f \in C^1(\mathbb{T})$, there exists a C^1 -function $F \in C^1(\mathbb{T})$ such that*

$$F'(z) = \beta(z)f'(\psi(z)), \quad z \in \mathbb{T}.$$

Then β is a constant map and ψ is an isometry.

The above proposition enables us to generalize [8, Theorem 3.1]: replacing [8, Lemma 3.12] with Proposition 1.3, the argument in [8, Section 3, 3.1-3.2] works with no change to derive the same conclusion as that of [8, Theorem 3.1] without the hypothesis (*). In order to state the generalization, we fix our notation and define some terminologies. Let $\pi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$ be the standard covering map defined by $\pi(t) = \exp(2\pi it)$ ($t \in \mathbb{R}$). For a function $f : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, let

$$(1.2) \quad f'(e^{2\pi i\theta}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{d}{dt} \Big|_{t=\theta} f(\exp(2\pi it)).$$

We say that the function f is a C^1 -function if the above derivative exists and is continuous. The space of all complex-valued C^1 -functions on \mathbb{T} is denoted by $C^1(\mathbb{T})$. Let $p_i : \mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$ be the projection to

the i -th factor $i = 1, 2$. For a compact connected subset D of $\mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{T}$ with $p_2(D) = \mathbb{T}$, we define a norm $\|\cdot\|_{<D>}$ on $C^1(\mathbb{T})$ which induces the C^1 -topology by:

$$(1.3) \quad \|f\|_{<D>} = \sup_{(x,y) \in D} (|f(x)| + |f'(y)|), \quad f \in C^1(\mathbb{T}).$$

Theorem 1.4. (cf. [8, Theorem 3.1]) *Let $T : C^1(\mathbb{T}) \rightarrow C^1(\mathbb{T})$ be a surjective \mathbb{C} -linear $\|\cdot\|_{<D>}$ -isometry and let $I = P_1(D)$.*

- (1) *Assume that $I = \{a\}$. Then there exist constants $\beta, \kappa \in \mathbb{T}$ and an isometry $\varphi : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$ such that*

$$(1.4) \quad Tf(z) = \beta f(\varphi(z)) + (\kappa f(a) - \beta f(\varphi(a))), \quad z \in \mathbb{T}$$

for each $f \in C^1(\mathbb{T})$.

- (2) *Assume that I is not a singleton. Then there exist a constant $\kappa \in \mathbb{T}$ and an isometry $\varphi : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$ such that $\varphi(I) = I$ and*

$$(1.5) \quad Tf(z) = \kappa f(\varphi(z)), \quad z \in \mathbb{T}$$

for each $f \in C^1(\mathbb{T})$.

As a corollary we obtain structure theorems on isometry groups with respect to some typical norms on $C^1(\mathbb{T})$ defined below. For a C^1 -function $f \in C^1(\mathbb{T})$ and a point $c \in \mathbb{T}$, let

$$(1.6) \quad \begin{aligned} \|f\|_{\Sigma} &= \|f\|_{\infty} + \|f'\|_{\infty}, \\ \|f\|_C &= \sup_{t \in \mathbb{T}} (|f(t)| + |f'(t)|), \\ \|f\|_{\sigma, c} &= |f(c)| + \|f'\|_{\infty}. \end{aligned}$$

For a norm $\|\cdot\|$ on $C^1(\mathbb{T})$, $\mathcal{U}(\|\cdot\|)$ denotes the group of all surjective \mathbb{C} -linear $\|\cdot\|$ -isometries. The groups of isometries on \mathbb{T} is denoted by $\text{Isom}(\mathbb{T})$ and, for a subset J of \mathbb{T} , let $\text{Isom}(\mathbb{T}; J) = \{\varphi \in \text{Isom}(\mathbb{T}) \mid \varphi(J) = J\}$. Notice that $\text{Isom}(\mathbb{T}) \cong \mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{Z}_2$.

Corollary 1.5. (cf. [8, Corollary 3.3].)

- (1) $\mathcal{U}(\|\cdot\|_{\Sigma}) = \mathcal{U}(\|\cdot\|_C) \cong \mathbb{T} \times \text{Isom}(\mathbb{T})$.
(2) $\mathcal{U}(\|\cdot\|_{\sigma, c}) \cong \mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{T} \times \text{Isom}(\mathbb{T})$ for each $c \in \mathbb{T}$.
(3) For an interval I of \mathbb{T} which is not a singleton, $\mathcal{U}(\|\cdot\|_{<I \times \mathbb{T}>}) \cong \mathbb{T} \times \text{Isom}(\mathbb{T}; I)$.

Recently Hatori and Oi [5] studied the space $C^1(\mathbb{T})$ with the norm $\|\cdot\|_{\Sigma}$ in a much broader context. In particular they studied the function space $C^1(\mathbb{T}, C(Y))$ of the $C(Y)$ -valued C^1 -functions on \mathbb{T} , where $C(Y)$ denotes the Banach space of continuous functions on a compact Hausdorff space Y . In particular Corollary 1.5 (1) for the norm $\|\cdot\|_{\Sigma}$ follows from their result.

The present note is devoted to prove Theorem 1.2 and Proposition 1.3. Although the proof of Theorem 1.2 belongs to elementary calculus, the author could not find it in the literature and a proof is supplied in detail.

2. PROOFS

For a map $\varphi : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$, let $\bar{\varphi} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a lift of φ , that is, a map satisfying $\pi \circ \bar{\varphi} = \varphi \circ \pi$. If φ is a homeomorphism, then $\bar{\varphi}$ is a homeomorphism and there exists a constant $d_\varphi \in \{\pm 1\}$ such that $\bar{\varphi}(t + 1) = \bar{\varphi}(t) + d_\varphi$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$.

Proof of Theorem 1.2. We assume at the outset that $\gamma = 1$. The case $\gamma = -1$ can be proved similarly. Since $\psi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a homeomorphism, we see that ψ is, under the assumption $\gamma = 1$, a monotone increasing function.

Step 1. First we show that β is a constant function. Applying (1.1) to

$$f_1(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi n} \sin(2\pi nt), \quad f_2(t) = -\frac{1}{2\pi n} \cos(2\pi nt)$$

for $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$, we have

$$(2.1) \quad \int_0^1 \beta(t) \cos(2\pi n \psi(t)) dt = \int_0^1 \beta(t) \sin(2\pi n \psi(t)) dt = 0.$$

Suppose $\beta(a) \neq \beta(b)$ for some $a, b \in [0, 1]$ and let $\epsilon = |\beta(a) - \beta(b)| > 0$. For simplicity let $p = \psi(a)$, $q = \psi(b)$ and take a $\delta > 0$ so small that

- (i) $[a - \delta, a + \delta] \cap [b - \delta, b + \delta] = \emptyset$ and $\psi([a - \delta, a + \delta]) \cap \psi([b - \delta, b + \delta]) = \emptyset$,
- (ii) $\text{diam} \beta([a - \delta, a + \delta]) < \epsilon/2$ and $\text{diam} \beta([b - \delta, b + \delta]) < \epsilon/2$.

Let $I_p = \psi([a - \delta, a + \delta] \cap [0, 1])$, $I_q = \psi([b - \delta, b + \delta] \cap [0, 1])$. Take a real-valued smooth functions $g_a : I_p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g_b : I_q \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $g_a, g_b \geq 0$, $g_a|_{\partial I_p} = g_b|_{\partial I_q} \equiv 0$ and

$$(2.2) \quad \int_{a-\delta}^{a+\delta} g_a(\psi(t)) dt = \int_{b-\delta}^{b+\delta} g_b(\psi(t)) dt = 1.$$

Let $\psi([0, 1]) = [A, A + 1]$. Then we have $I_p \cup I_q \subset [A, A + 1]$. Define a C^1 -function $g : [A, A + 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$(2.3) \quad g(t) = \begin{cases} g_a(t) & t \in I_p \\ -g_b(t) & t \in I_q \\ 0 & t \notin I_p \cup I_q \end{cases}$$

The function g naturally extends to a periodic C^1 -function, denoted by $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, of period 1 which satisfies

$$(2.4) \quad \int_0^1 g(t) dt = \int_A^{A+1} g(t) dt = 0.$$

The function

$$f(t) = \int_0^t g(s)ds, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$$

is a C^1 -function and has period 1 due to (2.4). Thus its Fourier series converges uniformly on $[0, 1]$:

$$f(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \cos(2\pi nt) + b_n \sin(2\pi nt)$$

with a uniform convergent series of the derivative:

$$\begin{aligned} g(t) = f'(t) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-2\pi n a_n \sin(2\pi nt) + 2\pi n b_n \cos(2\pi nt)) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n(t), \end{aligned}$$

where $S_n(t) = \sum_{k=0}^n (-2\pi k a_k \sin(2\pi kt) + 2\pi k b_k \cos(2\pi kt))$. Applying (2.1) we have $\int_0^1 \beta(t) S_n(\psi(t)) dt = 0$ and by taking the limit we obtain

$$(2.5) \quad \int_0^1 \beta(t) g(\psi(t)) dt = 0.$$

On the other hand we see from (2.2) and (ii),

$$\begin{aligned} (2.6) \quad & \left| \int_{a-\delta}^{a+\delta} \beta(t) g_a(\psi(t)) dt - \beta(a) \right| \\ &= \left| \int_{a-\delta}^{a+\delta} \beta(t) g_a(\psi(t)) dt - \int_{a-\delta}^{a+\delta} \beta(a) g_a(\psi(t)) dt \right| \\ &\leq \int_{a-\delta}^{a+\delta} |\beta(t) - \beta(a)| g_a(\psi(t)) dt \\ &< \frac{\epsilon}{2} \int_{a-\delta}^{a+\delta} g_a(\psi(t)) dt = \epsilon/2. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly we have

$$(2.7) \quad \left| \int_{b-\delta}^{b+\delta} \beta(t) g_b(\psi(t)) dt - \beta(b) \right| < \epsilon/2.$$

We also have by (2.5) and (2.3)

$$\int_{a-\delta}^{a+\delta} \beta(t) g_a(\psi(t)) dt - \int_{b-\delta}^{b+\delta} \beta(t) g_b(\psi(t)) dt = \int_0^1 \beta(t) g(\psi(t)) dt = 0.$$

However since $|\beta(a) - \beta(b)| = \epsilon$, the last equality contradicts (2.6) and (2.7), which proves that β is a constant function.

Step 2. We prove that ψ takes the form as in the conclusion. Since β is a constant map by Step 1, (1.1) is reduced to

$$(2.8) \quad \int_0^1 f'(\psi(t))dt = 0$$

for each C^1 -function $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ of period 1. Recall $\psi([0, 1]) = [A, A + 1]$. We prove:

Claim. Let p, r be two points of $[A, A + 1]$ with $p < r$ and let $q = \frac{1}{2}(p + r)$. Then we have the equality

$$(2.9) \quad \psi^{-1}(q) = \frac{1}{2}(\psi^{-1}(p) + \psi^{-1}(r)).$$

First we show that Claim implies the desired conclusion. Let $\theta = \psi^{-1}$ and note that θ is a monotone increasing function such that $\theta([A, A + 1]) = [0, 1]$. Fix $p, q \in [A, A + 1]$ with $p \leq q$ arbitrarily. Claim implies

$$\theta\left(\frac{p+q}{2}\right) = \frac{\theta(p) + \theta(q)}{2}.$$

By a straightforward induction, we can prove, for each $n \geq 1$, the following equality

$$\theta\left(\frac{k}{2^n}p + \left(1 - \frac{k}{2^n}\right)q\right) = \frac{k}{2^n}\theta(p) + \left(1 - \frac{k}{2^n}\right)\theta(q), \quad 0 \leq k \leq 2^n.$$

The continuity of θ implies

$$\theta(tp + (1 - t)q) = t\theta(p) + (1 - t)\theta(q), \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1.$$

Since p and q are arbitrary points in $[A, A + 1]$, we see that θ is an affine function. Noticing $\theta(A) = 0$ we see that $\theta(t) = t - A$ ($A \leq t \leq A + 1$) and hence $\psi(t) = t + A$ ($0 \leq t \leq 1$), as desired.

For the proof of Claim we make a preliminary construction. For $u < v$ and $\delta \in (0, \frac{u+v}{2})$ we define a function $h_\delta^{u,v} : [u, v] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ by

$$(2.10) \quad h_\delta^{u,v}(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\delta}(t - u) & u \leq t \leq u + \delta, \\ 1 & u + \delta \leq t \leq v - \delta, \\ \frac{1}{\delta}(v - t) & v - \delta \leq t \leq v. \end{cases}$$

In what follows we assume that $\delta = \frac{v-u}{K}$ for a large integer $K > 0$. For a positive integer $m > 0$, we define a partition $\Delta_m(u, v)$ of $[u, v]$ into

subintervals of equal length δ/m :

(2.11)

$$\begin{aligned} u = u_0 < u_1 < \cdots < u_m = u + \delta, & \quad u_j = u + \frac{\delta}{m}j, \quad 0 \leq j \leq m, \\ u + \delta = w_0 < w_1 < \cdots < w_{m(K-2)} = v - \delta, & \\ & \quad w_j = u + \delta + \frac{\delta}{m}j, \quad 0 \leq j \leq m(K-2), \\ v - \delta = v_0 < v_1 < \cdots < v_m = v, & \quad v_j = v - \delta + \frac{\delta}{m}j, \quad 0 \leq j \leq m. \end{aligned}$$

We use the partition $\Delta_m(u, v)$ for an approximation of the integral

$$\int_{\psi^{-1}(u)}^{\psi^{-1}(v)} h_\delta^{u,v}(\psi(t))dt$$

by a Riemannian sum $S_m(h_\delta^{u,v})$ as follows: let

$$\begin{aligned} a_j &= \psi^{-1}(u_j), \quad b_j = \psi^{-1}(v_j) \quad (0 \leq j \leq m) \\ c_j &= \psi^{-1}(w_j) \quad (0 \leq j \leq m(K-2)) \end{aligned}$$

and notice

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 &= \psi^{-1}(u), \quad a_m = c_0 = \psi^{-1}(u + \delta), \\ c_{m(K-2)} &= b_0 = \psi^{-1}(v - \delta), \quad b_m = \psi^{-1}(v). \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$\begin{aligned} (2.12) \quad S_m(h_\delta^{u,v}) &= \sum_{j=1}^m h_\delta^{u,v}(\psi(a_j))(a_j - a_{j-1}) \\ &\quad + \sum_{j=1}^{m(K-2)} h_\delta^{u,v}(\psi(c_j))(c_j - c_{j-1}) \\ &\quad + \sum_{j=1}^m h_\delta^{u,v}(\psi(b_j))(b_j - b_{j-1}). \end{aligned}$$

Using (2.10) and (2.11), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (2.13) \quad \sum_{j=1}^m h_\delta^{u,v}(\psi(a_j))(a_j - a_{j-1}) &= \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{1}{\delta} (u_j - u)(a_j - a_{j-1}) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{1}{m} j(a_j - a_{j-1}) \\ &= a_m - \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} a_j. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly we have

$$(2.14) \quad \sum_{j=1}^m h_{\delta}^{u,v}(\psi(b_j))(b_j - b_{j-1}) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} b_j - b_0,$$

and also

$$(2.15) \quad \begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^m h_{\delta}^{u,v}(\psi(c_j))(c_j - c_{j-1}) &= \sum_{j=1}^m (c_j - c_{j-1}) \\ &= c_{m(K-2)} - c_0 = b_0 - a_m. \end{aligned}$$

Using (2.12), (2.13), (2.14) and (2.15) we obtain

$$(2.16) \quad S_m(h_{\delta}^{u,v}) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} b_j - \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} a_j.$$

Proof of Claim. Fix $p, q, r \in [A, A+1]$ with

$$A \leq p < r \leq A+1, \quad q = \frac{1}{2}(p+r)$$

and let $d = \frac{1}{2}(r-p)$. Take a large positive integer K and let $\delta = d/K$. Use (2.10) to define a continuous function $g_{\delta} : [A, A+1] \rightarrow [-1, 1]$ by

$$g_{\delta}(t) = \begin{cases} h_{\delta}^{p,q}(t) & \text{if } p \leq t \leq q, \\ -h_{\delta}^{q,r}(t) & \text{if } q \leq t \leq r, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Since $g_{\delta}(A) = g_{\delta}(A+1) = 0$, g_{δ} naturally extends to a periodic function, denoted by $g_{\delta} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [-1, 1]$, of period 1 such that $\int_0^1 g_{\delta}(t)dt = 0$. Define a C^1 -function $f_{\delta} : [A, A+1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ by

$$f_{\delta}(t) = \int_A^t g_{\delta}(s)ds, \quad t \in [A, A+1]$$

and again take its natural extension $f_{\delta} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ as a C^1 -function of period 1 so that $f'_{\delta} = g_{\delta}$. By the hypothesis (2.8) we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = \int_0^1 f'_{\delta}(\psi(t))dt &= \int_0^1 g_{\delta}(\psi(t))dt \\ &= \int_0^{\psi^{-1}(p)} + \int_{\psi^{-1}(p)}^{\psi^{-1}(q)} + \int_{\psi^{-1}(q)}^{\psi^{-1}(r)} + \int_{\psi^{-1}(r)}^1 \\ &= \int_{\psi^{-1}(p)}^{\psi^{-1}(q)} h_{\delta}^{p,q}(\psi(t))dt - \int_{\psi^{-1}(q)}^{\psi^{-1}(r)} h_{\delta}^{q,r}(\psi(t))dt. \end{aligned}$$

Defining $a = \psi^{-1}(p), b = \psi^{-1}(q), c = \psi^{-1}(r)$, we have

$$(2.17) \quad \int_a^b h_\delta^{p,q}(\psi(t))dt = \int_b^c h_\delta^{q,r}(\psi(t))dt.$$

Fix an $\epsilon > 0$ arbitrarily and take a positive integer m so large that

$$\begin{aligned} |\int_a^b h_\delta^{p,q}(\psi(t))dt - S_m(h_\delta^{p,q})| &< \epsilon/2, \\ |\int_b^c h_\delta^{q,r}(\psi(t))dt - S_m(h_\delta^{q,r})| &< \epsilon/2, \end{aligned}$$

and hence we have

$$(2.18) \quad |S_m(h_\delta^{p,q}) - S_m(h_\delta^{q,r})| < \epsilon.$$

Let

$$\begin{aligned} p &= p_0 < \cdots < p_j < \cdots < p_m = x_0 < \cdots \\ &\cdots < x_j < \cdots < x_{K(m-2)} = q_0^- < \cdots < q_j^- < \cdots < q_m^- = q, \\ q &= q_0^+ < \cdots < q_j^+ < \cdots < q_m^+ = y_0 < \cdots \\ &\cdots < y_j < \cdots < y_{K(m-2)} = r_0 < \cdots < r_j < \cdots < r_m = r \end{aligned}$$

be the partitions $\Delta_m(p, q)$ and $\Delta_m(q, r)$ of $[p, q]$ and $[q, r]$ respectively that appear in the definition of $S_m(h_\delta^{p,q})$ and $S_m(h_\delta^{q,r})$ (see (2.11)). By (2.16) we have

$$(2.19) \quad S_m(h_\delta^{p,q}) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \psi^{-1}(q_j^-) - \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \psi^{-1}(p_j),$$

$$(2.20) \quad S_m(h_\delta^{q,r}) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \psi^{-1}(r_j) - \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \psi^{-1}(q_j^+).$$

Since ψ^{-1} is monotone increasing, we have $\psi^{-1}(p) \leq \psi^{-1}(p_j) \leq \psi^{-1}(p+\delta)$ and $\psi^{-1}(q-\delta) \leq \psi^{-1}(q_j^-) \leq \psi^{-1}(q)$, which imply

$$(2.21) \quad \psi^{-1}(p) \leq \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m \psi^{-1}(p_j) \leq \psi^{-1}(p+\delta),$$

$$(2.22) \quad \psi^{-1}(q-\delta) \leq \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m \psi^{-1}(q_j^-) \leq \psi^{-1}(q).$$

Similarly we have

$$(2.23) \quad \psi^{-1}(q) \leq \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m \psi^{-1}(q_j^+) \leq \psi^{-1}(q+\delta),$$

$$(2.24) \quad \psi^{-1}(r-\delta) \leq \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m \psi^{-1}(r_j) \leq \psi^{-1}(r).$$

Using (2.19) - (2.24) and (2.18), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
& \psi^{-1}(q - \delta) + \psi^{-1}(q) - \psi^{-1}(p + \delta) - \psi^{-1}(r) \\
& \leq \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m \psi^{-1}(q_j^-) + \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m \psi^{-1}(q_j^+) - \\
& \quad - \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m \psi^{-1}(p_j) - \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m \psi^{-1}(r_j) \\
& \leq S_m(h_\delta^{p,q}) - S_m(h_\delta^{q,r}) \leq \epsilon.
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \psi^{-1}(q) + \psi^{-1}(q + \delta) - \psi^{-1}(p) - \psi^{-1}(r - \delta) \\
& \geq S_m(h_\delta^{p,q}) - S_m(h_\delta^{q,r}) \\
& \geq -\epsilon,
\end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned}
\psi^{-1}(q - \delta) + \psi^{-1}(q) & \leq \psi^{-1}(p + \delta) + \psi^{-1}(r) + \epsilon, \\
\psi^{-1}(q) + \psi^{-1}(q + \delta) & \geq \psi^{-1}(p) + \psi^{-1}(r - \delta) - \epsilon.
\end{aligned}$$

Taking the limit $K \rightarrow \infty$, we have $\delta = d/K \rightarrow 0$. Taking into account of the continuity of ψ^{-1} and taking the limit $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ we obtain

$$\psi^{-1}(p) + \psi^{-1}(r) \leq 2\psi^{-1}(q) \leq \psi^{-1}(p) + \psi^{-1}(r),$$

and therefore $\psi^{-1}(p) + \psi^{-1}(r) = 2\psi^{-1}(q)$, as desired. This proves Claim and hence completes the proof of the theorem. \square

Proof of Proposition 1.3. Let ψ, β be functions as in the proposition and take a lift $\bar{\psi} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Since ψ is a homeomorphism, $\bar{\psi}$ is a homeomorphism and there exists a constant $\gamma \in \{\pm 1\}$ such that $\bar{\psi}(t+1) = \bar{\psi}(t) + \gamma$ ($t \in \mathbb{R}$). Let $\bar{\beta} = \beta \circ \pi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$. For each C^1 -function $f : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, take a function $F : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ as in the hypothesis of the proposition and let $\bar{f} = f \circ \pi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ and $\bar{F} = F \circ \pi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$. Then \bar{f} is a periodic C^1 -function of period 1 and every C^1 -function $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ of period 1 is obtained in this way. By the choice of F we have

$$\frac{d}{dt} \bar{F}(t) = \bar{\beta}(t) \frac{d\bar{f}}{dt}(\bar{\psi}(t))$$

and hence

$$\int_0^1 \bar{\beta}(t) \frac{d\bar{f}}{dt}(\bar{\psi}(t)) dt = \bar{F}(1) - \bar{F}(0) = 0.$$

Applying Theorem 1.2 we conclude that $\bar{\beta}$ and hence β is a constant function and $\bar{\psi}(t) = \gamma t + c$ for some constant c . Recalling that $\gamma = \pm 1$, we see that ψ is an isometry on \mathbb{T} . This proves the proposition. \square

The above proof uses the metric feature of the unit circle \mathbb{T} which is locally isometric to the 1-dimensional Euclidean space \mathbb{R} . It is not known to the author whether a similar statement holds when the circle is equipped with other metrics. The author recently proved a Banach-Stone type theorem for C^1 -function spaces over compact Riemannian manifolds in [9] under a “regularity-preserving-hypothesis” similar to (*). It is not known whether the same result holds without the hypothesis. See also [10] for isometries with respect to the $\|\cdot\|_\Sigma$ -type norm.

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