



On some inequalities for sine polynomials

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Abstract

Inspired by the work of L. Fejér and some of his followers, we present inequalities for various sine polynomials. Among others, we offer a new extension of the classical Fejér-Jackson inequality and we prove that the inequality

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \binom{n-k+c}{n-k}^{-1} \sin(kx) < 0 \quad (c \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-1, -2, \dots\})$$

holds for all $n \geq 2$ and $x \in (0, \pi)$ if and only if $c \in [-3/2, 4/3]$. As an application of this result we obtain that the function

$$x \mapsto x \left(1 - \frac{{}_2F_1(1, 1; a; x)}{x^2 + bx + 1} \right) \quad (-1/2 \leq a \leq -1/3; -2 < b < 2)$$

is absolutely monotonic on $(0, 1)$. Here, ${}_2F_1$ denotes the Gaussian hypergeometric function.

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§1. Introduction

I. In 1910, Fejér conjectured that all partial sums of the Fourier series

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(kx)}{k} = \frac{\pi - x}{2} \quad (0 < x < \pi)$$

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