# Real Analysis

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## 3 Lebesgue Measure

#### 3.1 Introduction

1.

*Proof.* Since  $\mathfrak{M}$  is an  $\sigma$ -algebra,  $B \setminus A \in \mathfrak{M}$  as long as  $A, B \in \mathfrak{M}$ . Since  $B \setminus A$  and A are disjoint,  $mB = mA + m(B \setminus A) \ge mA$  since m is nonnegative.  $\square$ 

2.

*Proof.* Let  $A_0 = E_0$  and  $E_k = A_k \setminus A_{k-1}$  for  $k \ge 1$ . Clear that  $E_i$  and  $E_j$  are disjoint for distinct i and j,  $\bigcup A_n = \bigcup E_n$  and  $A_i \subset E_i$  for every i. Hence,

$$m\left(\bigcup E_n\right) = m\left(\bigcup A_n\right) = \sum mA_n \le \sum mE_n,$$

where the last inequality comes from Exercise 1.

3.

*Proof.* Suppose that  $mA < \infty$ . Then  $mA = m(A \cup \varnothing) = mA + m\varnothing$ , implying that  $m\varnothing = 0$ .

#### 3.2 Outer Measure

**5**.

*Proof.* We show that  $\{I_n\}$  must cover the entire [0,1] by contradiction. Assume that  $x \notin I_k$  for k = 1, 2, ..., n. Then, as  $I_k$  are open and n is finite, there exists some  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that  $(x - \varepsilon, x + \varepsilon)$  and  $I_k$  are disjoint for every k. Since  $\mathbb{Q}$  is dense in  $\mathbb{R}$ , there exists some rational number in  $(x - \varepsilon, x + \varepsilon)$ , contradicting with the hypothesis that  $\{I_k\}$  covers all rational numbers between 0 and 1.

6.

*Proof.* By the definition of the outer measure, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists some collection  $\{I_n\}$  of open intervals that covers A and  $\sum l(I_n) \leq m^*A + \varepsilon$ . Let  $O = \bigcup I_n$ . O is a countable union of open sets and therefore is also open. And by Proposition 2,  $m^*O \leq \sum l(I_n)$ . Thus,  $m^*O \leq m^*A + \varepsilon$ .

Let  $\varepsilon_n = 1/n$  and for each n, by the previous discussion, we can always get an open set  $O_k$  such that  $A \subset O_k$  and  $m^*O \leq m^*A + \varepsilon_m$ . Let G be the countable intersection of these open sets. Clear that G is a  $G_\delta$  set covering A and  $m^*A = m^*G$ .

7.

*Proof.* If  $m^*E = \infty$ , it is trivial. Suppose that  $m^*E \leq \infty$ . For any  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , collection  $\{I_n\}$  of open intervals covers E + x iff  $\{I_n - x\}$  covers E. Since the length of intervals is translation invariant, this implies  $m^*(E + x) = m^*E$ .

8.

Proof. Clear that  $m^*A \leq m^*(A \cup B)$ . Meanwhile,  $m^*(A \cup B) = m^*A + m^*B = m^*B$ . Hence,  $m^*(A \cup B) = m^*B$ .

#### 3.3 Measurable Sets and Lebesgue Measure

10.

Proof.

$$mE_1 + mE_2 = mE_1 + m(E_2 \setminus E_1) + m(E_1 \cap E_2)$$
  
=  $m(E_1 \cup (E_2 \setminus E_1)) + m(E_1 \cap E_2)$   
=  $m(E_1 \cup E_2) + m(E_1 \cap E_2)$ .

11.

Proof. 
$$E_n = (n, \infty)$$
.

12. This is the countable version of Lemma 9.

*Proof.* It suffices to prove  $m^*(A \cap \bigcup E_i) \ge \sum m^*(A \cap E_i)$ . Since  $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i \supset \bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i$  for every n,

$$m^*\left(A\cap\bigcup_{i=1}^\infty E_i\right)\geq m^*\left(A\cap\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i\right)=\sum_{i=1}^n m^*(A\cap E_i),$$

where the equality comes from Lemma 9. Since the left hand side is independent of n, we have

$$m^* \left( A \cap \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i \right) \ge \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} m^* (A \cap E_i),$$

completing the proof.

13.

*Proof.* First we suppose that  $m^*E < \infty$ . By Proposition 5, there exists some open set  $O \supset E$  such that  $m^*O \le m^*E + \varepsilon$ . If E is measurable, then by the definition,

$$m^*(O \setminus E) = m^*O - m^*E \le \varepsilon.$$

Namely, (ii) holds. Meanwhile,  $O \subset \mathbb{R}$  is a countable union of disjoint open intervals  $\{I_n\}$ . Since  $mO = m^*O$  is bounded and  $mO = \sum l(I_n)$ , there exists some integer N > 0 such that  $mO - \sum_{n=1}^{N} l(I_n) < \varepsilon$ . Let  $U = \bigcup_{n=1}^{N} I_n$ .

$$m^*(U \triangle E) = m^*((U \cup E) \setminus (U \cap E))$$

$$\leq m^*(O \setminus (U \cap E))$$

$$= m^*((O \setminus U) \cup (O \setminus E))$$

$$\leq m^*(O \setminus U) + m^*(O \setminus E)$$

$$< 2\varepsilon.$$

Hence, (ii) implies (vi). Now we show that (vi) implies (ii). If  $m^*(U \triangle E) < \varepsilon$ , then there exists some countable collection  $\{J_n\}$  of open interval such that

$$\sum l(J_n) \le m^*(U \triangle E) + \varepsilon < 2\varepsilon.$$

Let  $J = \bigcup J_n$  and  $O = U \cup J$ .  $m^*J < 2\varepsilon$ . And O is open and covers E. Meanwhile,

$$m^*(O \setminus E) \le m^*(U \setminus E) + m^*(J \setminus E) < 3\varepsilon.$$

Hence, (ii) holds.

Now, let E be an arbitrary set and  $E_n = E \cap (-n, n)$ , which is a set with finite measure. Then by the previous discussion, there exists some open set  $O_n \supset E_n$  with  $m^*(O_n \setminus E_n) < \varepsilon/2^n$ . Let  $O = \bigcup O_n$ , an open set covering E and

$$m^*(O \setminus E) \le \sum m^*(O_n \setminus E_n) < 2\varepsilon.$$

Hence, (i) implies (ii). Now we suppose (ii) holds and let  $\varepsilon_n = 1/n$ , then there exists a sequence of open sets  $\langle O_n \rangle$  such that  $m^*(O_n \setminus E) \langle 1/n$ . Let  $G = \bigcap O_n \in G_\delta$ .  $m^*(G \setminus E) \leq m^*(O_n \setminus E) \leq 1/n$ . Since the left hand side is independent of n,  $m^*(G \setminus E) = 0$ . If (iv) holds, then by Lemma 6,  $G \setminus E$  is measurable. Since  $G \in G_\delta$  is also measurable, E is measurable. Hence, (iv) implies (i).

By the previous result, for any measurable E, there exists some closed set  $F \subset E$  such that  $\bar{F}$ , which is open, contains barE and  $m^*(\bar{F} \setminus \bar{E}) < \varepsilon$ . Hence,  $m^*(E \setminus F) < \varepsilon$ . We can proceed in a similar manner as we did in the last paragraph to prove that (iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (v)  $\Rightarrow$  (i), leading to the final conclusion.

#### 3.5 Measurable Functions

#### 19.

*Proof.* For every  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$ , since D is measurable, there exists a sequence of  $\alpha_n \in D \cap (\beta - 1/n, \beta)$ . As

$$\{x: f(x) > r\}$$
  $\Leftrightarrow$   $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \{x: f(x) > r - 1/n\}$   $\Leftrightarrow$   $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \{x: f(x) > \alpha_n\}$ 

and  $\{x: f(x) > \alpha_n\}$  are measurable, so is  $\{x: f(x) > r\}$ . Hence, f is measurable.  $\square$ 

#### 21.

Proof.

- (a) It follows immediately from  $\{x: f(x) > \alpha\} = \{x \in D: f(x) > \alpha\} \cup \{x \in E: f(x) > \alpha\}.$
- (b) For  $\alpha \geq 0$ , the sets  $\{x: f(x) > \alpha\}$  and  $\{x: g(x) > \alpha\}$  are the same. And for  $\alpha < 0$ ,

$$\{x:\, f(x)>\alpha\}=\{x:\, g(x)>\alpha\}\setminus \bar{D}\quad \text{and}\quad \{x:\, g(x)>\alpha\}=\{x:\, f(x)>\alpha\}\cup \bar{D}.$$

Hence, f is measurable iff q is measurable.

#### 22.(d)

*Proof.* Since f and g are finite almost everywhere, the set A consisting of points where f+g is of the form  $\infty-\infty$  or  $-\infty+\infty$  is of measure zero (and hence measurable). Therefore no matter how it is defined,  $\{x \in A : f+g > \alpha\}$  is measurable for every  $\alpha$ . Namely, the restriction of f+g to A is measurable. Meanwhile, clear that the restriction to  $D \setminus A$  is measurable where D is the domain of f. Hence, by Exercise 21, f is measurable.

Proof.

- (a) Let  $A_n = \{x : |f(x)| > n\}$ , a sequence of measurable sets. As  $A_{n+1} \subset A_n$ ,  $mA_{n+1} \leq mA_n$ . Since  $A = \bigcap A_n = \{x : |f(x)| = \infty\}$ ,  $mA_1 \leq m[a,b]$  is finite and mA = 0, by Proposition 14, there exists some N such that for all  $n \geq N$ ,  $mA_n < \varepsilon/3$ . Set M = N to complete the proof.
- (b) We consider the restriction of f on to the set  $E = [a, b] \setminus \{x : |f(x)| \ge M\}$ , which is also a measurable real-valued function. To keep our notation simple, we denote the restriction by f still. For every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists some integer N with  $0 < 2M/N < \varepsilon$ . Let  $E_n = \{x : x \in [-M + (n-1)\varepsilon, -M + n\varepsilon]\}$  (n = 1, 2, ..., N) and define

$$\varphi(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} f(x_i) \chi_{E_i},$$

where  $x_n \in E_n$  is arbitrary. Clear that  $\varphi$  is a simple function and satisfy all the requirements.

(c) Suppose that  $\varphi(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i \chi_{E_i}$ . For each i = 1, ..., N,  $E_i$  is measurable and therefore by Proposition 15, there exists a finite union  $U_i$  of open intervals such that  $m(U_i \triangle E_i) < \varepsilon$ . Let

$$g(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_i \chi_{U_i}.$$

Clear that g and  $\varphi$  only may differ on a set with measure  $N\varepsilon$ . (d) Suppose that  $g(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_i \chi_{U_i}$  is a step function. We may assume without loss of generality that  $U_i$  are disjoint and  $\bigcup U_i = [a, b]$ . And suppose that  $\{x_0 = a < x_1 < \dots < x_N = b\}$  are the endpoints of the intervals. For each  $i = 1, \dots, N-1$ , define

$$f(x) = (x - x_i + \varepsilon)g(x_i - \varepsilon) + (x_i + \varepsilon - x)g(x_i + \varepsilon), \quad x \in (x_i - \varepsilon, x_i + \varepsilon),$$

and f(x) = g(x) for the other points. (We assume that  $\varepsilon$  is small enough so that f is well-defined.) Clear that f is continuous and equals g except on a set of measure less then  $2N\varepsilon$ .

#### 24.

Proof. For measurable f, we show that  $\mathcal{A} = \{E : f^{-1}[E] \text{ is measurable}\}\$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra first. As the domain, denoted by D, of a measurable function is measurable,  $\mathbb{R} \in \mathcal{A}$ . If  $E \in \mathcal{A}$ , then since  $f^{-1}[\bar{E}] = D \cap \overline{f^{-1}[E]}$ ,  $f^{-1}[\bar{E}]$  is also measurable and therefore  $\bar{E} \in \mathcal{A}$ . Suppose that  $\langle E_n \rangle$  is a sequence of sets of  $\mathcal{A}$ . Then, as

$$f^{-1}\left[\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n\right] = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} f^{-1}[E_n],$$

 $\bigcup E_n \in \mathcal{A}$ . Hence,  $\mathcal{A}$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra.

By the definition of a measurable function, every open interval belongs to  $\mathcal{A}$ . Since the collection of all Borel sets  $\mathcal{B}$  is the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by all open intervals,  $\mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{A}$ . Namely,  $f^{-1}[B]$  is measurable as long as  $B \in \mathcal{B}$ .

#### 3.6 Littlewood's Three Principles

#### 30.

Proof. Let  $\varepsilon_n = 1/n$  and  $\delta_n = \eta/2^n$  (n = 0, 1, ...). By Proposition 24, for each n, there exists some  $A_n$  with measure less than  $\delta_n$  such that for all  $x \in E_n \setminus A_n$ ,  $|f_m(x) - f(x)| < \varepsilon_n$  for m large enough. Let  $A = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$ , the measure of which is less than  $\sum \eta/2^n = \delta$ . Meanwhile, for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , by construction, for all  $x \in E \setminus A$ ,  $|f_m(x) - f(x)| < \varepsilon$  for m large enough. Namely,  $f_n$  converges to f uniformly on  $E \setminus A$ .

#### 31.

*Proof.* Let  $\varepsilon_n = \delta/2^n$   $(n \ge 0)$ , then by Proposition 22, there exists continuous  $g_n$  such that  $E_n = \{x : |f(x) - g_n(x)| \ge \varepsilon_n\}$  is of measure less than  $\varepsilon_n$ . Let  $E = \bigcup E_n$ , the measure of which is less than  $\delta$  and  $g_n$  converges to f on  $[a, b] \setminus E$ .

By Egoroff's Theorem, there exists some  $A \subset [a,b] \setminus E$  with  $mA < \delta$  such that  $g_n$  converges to f uniformly on  $[a,b] \setminus (E \cup A)$ . Since  $E \cup A$  is measurable, by Proposition 15, there exists some open set  $O \supset E \cup A$  such that  $m(O \setminus (E \cup A)) < \delta$ . Let  $F = [a,b] \setminus O$ . We know that

- 1. F is a closed set.
- 2.  $mF < 3\delta$ .
- 3.  $g_n$  converges to f uniformly on F.

Hence, f is continuous on F And by Problem 2.40, there exists some continuous function on  $\mathbb{R}$  such that  $\varphi(x) = f(x)$  for  $x \in F$ .

If f is defined on  $(-\infty, \infty)$ , we can apply the previous result on each [n, n+1] and "stick" the functions together as we did in Problem 23(c) to get the function required.

## 4 The Lebesgue Integral

### 4.2 The Lebesgue Integral of a Bounded Function

2.

Proof.

(a) By Problem 2.51, h is upper semicontinuous as f is bounded and by Problem 2.50,  $x:h(x)<\lambda$  is open and hence measurable for every  $\lambda\in\mathbb{R}$ . Thus, h is measurable.

Let  $\varphi(x) \geq f(x)$  be a step function and  $x_0$  any point other than the endpoints of the intervals occurring in  $\varphi$ . Then there exists some  $\delta > 0$  such that for all  $x \in (x_0 - \delta, x_0 + \delta)$ ,  $\varphi(x_0) = \varphi(x) \geq f(x)$ . Hence,

$$h(x_0) = \inf_{\delta < 0} \sup_{|x - x_0| < \delta} f(x) \le \varphi(x_0).$$

Namely,  $\varphi \geq h$  except at a finite number of points. Hence,  $\int_a^b \varphi \geq \int_a^b h$  and therefore

$$R \int_{a}^{\overline{b}} f = \inf_{\varphi \ge f} \int_{a}^{b} \varphi(x) dx \ge \int_{a}^{b} h.$$

We can also derive from the previous discussion that there is a sequence of  $\langle \varphi_n \rangle$  of step functions satisfying  $\varphi \downarrow h$ . By Proposition 6,

$$\int_{a}^{b} h = \lim \int_{a}^{b} \varphi_{n} \ge R \int_{a}^{\overline{b}} f.$$

Hence,  $R \bar{\int}_a^b f = \int_a^b h$ .

(b) First suppose that f is Riemann integrable and let h and g be the upper and lower envelope of f respectively. By part (a), f is Riemann integrable implies  $\int_a^b (h-g) = 0$ . Together with the fact that  $h \geq g$ , we conclude that h = g a.e.. Therefore, by Problem 2.50, f is continuous except on a set of measure zero.

Note that the argument remains true if we reverse the order, verifying the converse part. Hence, the proposition holds.  $\Box$ 

## 4.3 The Integral of a Nonnegative Function

3.

*Proof.* Suppose that  $E_n = \{x : f(x) > 1/n\}$ . Then,

$$0 = \int f \ge \int_{E_n} f \ge \frac{mE_n}{n}$$

implies  $mE_n = 0$ . Hence,  $m\{x : f(x) > 0\} = m(\bigcup E_n) \le \sum mE_n = 0$ . Namely, f = 0 a.e.

#### **5.**

*Proof.* For any fixed  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ , let  $f_n(x) = f \cdot \chi_{(-\infty,x_0-1/n]}$ , which is a increasing sequence of nonnegative measurable function whose limit is  $f \cdot \chi_{-\infty,x_0}$ . Then by Theorem 10,

$$F(x_0) = \int_{-\infty}^{x_0} f = \int f \cdot \chi_{-\infty, x_0} = \lim \int f \cdot \chi_{(-\infty, x_0 - 1/n]} = \lim F(x_0 - 1/n).$$

Meanwhile, since

$$|F(x_0) - F(x_0 + 1/n)| = \left| \int_{x_0}^{x_0 + 1/n} f(x) dx \right| = \left| \int_{-1/n}^0 g(x) dx \right|,$$

where  $g(x) = f(x_0 - x)$ , arguing on g in a similar manner yields  $F(x_0) = \lim F(x_0 + 1/n)$ . Thus, F is continuous.

#### 6.

*Proof.* By Theorem 9,  $\int f \leq \underline{\lim} \int f_n$ . Meanwhile,  $f_n \leq f$  implies  $\int f_n \leq \int f$  and therefore  $\overline{\lim} \int f_n \leq \int f$ . Hence,  $\int f = \lim \int f_n$ .

#### 7.

Solution.

- (a) Let  $f_n(x) = n \cdot \chi_{[0,1/n]}$ .  $f_n$  converges to f = 0 except on x = 0. For each n,  $\int f_n = 1$  but  $\int f = 0$ . Hence, the inequality could be strict.
- (b) Let  $f_n(x) = \chi_{[n,\infty)}$ . Then  $\langle f_n \rangle$  is a decreasing sequence which converges to f = 0, the integral of which is 0. However, for every n,  $\int f_n = \infty$ .

#### 8.

*Proof.* Let  $g_n = \inf\{f_n, f_{n+1}, \dots\}$ . Clear that

$$\int g_n \le \int f_n. \tag{1}$$

Meanwhile  $\langle g_n \rangle$  is a increasing sequence converging to  $\underline{\lim} f_n$ . Hence, by the Monotone Convergence Theorem and (1)

$$\int \underline{\lim} f_n = \int \lim_{n \to \infty} g_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} \int g_n \le \underline{\lim} \int f_n.$$

#### 9.

*Proof.* By Fatou's Lemma,

$$\int_{E} f \le \underline{\lim} \int_{E} f_{n}.$$
 (2)

Similarly,  $\int_{\bar{E}} f \leq \underline{\lim} \int_{\bar{E}} f_n$  and therefore

$$\int_{E} f_{n} = \int f_{n} - \int_{\bar{E}} f_{n} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \overline{\lim} \int_{E} f_{n} \le \int f - \int_{\bar{E}} f = \int_{\bar{E}} f.$$

(2) and the inequality above together implies  $\int_E f_n \to \int f$ .

#### 4.4 The General Lebesgue Integral

#### 12.

*Proof.* Note that  $\langle g + f_n \rangle$  is a sequence of nonnegative measurable functions. Hence by Problem 8,

$$\int_{E} \underline{\lim}(g + f_n) \le \underline{\lim} \int_{E} (g + f_n) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \int_{E} \underline{\lim} f_n \le \underline{\lim} \int_{E} f_n.$$

The second inequality follows immediately from the definition of lower and upper limit. Replacing  $g + f_n$  with  $g - f_n$  and arguing in a similar manner gives the last inequality.  $\square$ 

#### 13.

*Proof.*  $f_n \ge -h$  implies  $f_n + h \ge 0$ . Hence,  $\int (f_n + h)$  always has a meaning. And since g is integrable,  $\int f_n = \int (f_n + h) - \int h$  also has a meaning. Similarly,  $\int f$  has a meaning. Meanwhile,

$$\int f = \int (f+h) - \int h \le \underline{\lim} \int (f_n + h) - \int h = \underline{\lim} \int f_n.$$

#### 15.

Proof.

(a) By Problem 4, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists some simple functions  $\varphi_1 \leq f^+$  and  $\varphi_2 \leq f^-$  such that

$$\int_{E} f^{+} - \int_{E} \varphi_{1} < \varepsilon \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{E} f^{-} - \int_{E} \varphi_{2} < \varepsilon.$$

Let  $\varphi = \varphi_1 - \varphi_2$ , which is also a simple function. Meanwhile,

$$\int_{E} |f - \varphi| \le \int_{E} (f^{+} - \varphi_{1}) + \int_{E} (f^{-} - \varphi_{2}) < 2\varepsilon.$$

#### 16.

*Proof.* For every integrable f, by Problem 15, there exists some step function  $\psi = \sum_{k=1}^{N} c_k \chi_{E_k}$  such that  $\int |f - \psi| < \varepsilon$ . Note that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi(x) \cos nx dx = \lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{k=1}^{N} c_k \int_{E_k} \cos nx dx = 0.$$
 (3)

Hence,

$$\left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \cos nx dx \right| = \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (f(x) - \psi(x) + \psi(x)) \cos nx dx \right|$$

$$\leq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(x) - \psi(x)| |\cos nx| dx + \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi(x) \cos nx dx \right|$$

$$\leq \varepsilon + \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi(x) \cos nx dx \right|$$

$$\to 0 \text{ as } n \to \infty.$$

18.

*Proof.* Let  $\langle t_n \rangle$  be any sequence with  $t_n \neq 0$  and tending to 0. Then  $\langle f(x, t_n) \rangle$  is sequence of functions satisfying the hypotheses of Lebesgue Convergence Theorem. Meanwhile,  $f(x, t_n) \to f$  as  $n \to \infty$ . Hence,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \int f(x, t_n) dx = \int f(x) dx.$$

Since the choice of  $\langle t_n \rangle$  is arbitrary, by Problem 2.49f,

$$\lim_{t \to 0} \int f(x,t) dx = \int f(x) dx.$$

If f is continuous in t for each x, then  $\lim_{\Delta t\to 0} f(x,t+\Delta t) = f(x,t)$  holds for every t. Therefore, replacing t with  $\Delta t$  in the previous result yields

$$\lim_{\Delta t \to 0} \int f(x, t + \Delta t) dx = \int f(x, t) dx.$$

Namely, h(t) is continuous.

## 5 Differentiation and Integration

#### 5.1 Differentiation of Monotone Functions

3. "maximum" needs to be changed to "minimum" in both (a) and (b).

Proof.

(a) We may assume without loss of generality that c=0. Since f attains a local minimum at x=0,  $f(h) \geq f(0)$  for every h sufficiently small. Hence, for every small h>0, (f(c+h)-f(c))/h>0 and therefore  $D_+f(c)\geq 0$ . Meanwhile, by Problem 2.b,

$$-D_{-}f(0) = D^{+}f(0) \ge 0 \implies D_{-}f(0) \le 0.$$

The other two inequalities follow immediately from the definitions of upper and lower limits.

(b) If f has a local minimum at a or b, then we only have the right or left half of the inequalities.

#### 4.

*Proof.* We first show this for g with  $D^+g \ge \varepsilon > 0$ . For every  $a \le x < y \le b$ , as g is continuous on [a,b], g has a maximum in [a,b] and by Problem 2 and 3, g can not attain the maximum in [a,b). Namely, the restrict of f to [x,y] attains the maximum at g. Hence,  $g(x) \le g(y)$ .

For every f with nonnegative  $D^+$ , let  $g(x) = f(x) + \varepsilon x$  where  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Then  $D^+g \ge \varepsilon > 0$ . Hence g is nondecreasing. Therefore, for every  $a \le x < y \le b$ ,

$$g(x) \le g(y) \implies f(x) + \varepsilon x \le f(y) + \varepsilon y.$$

Since the choice of  $\varepsilon$  is arbitrary, this implies  $f(x) \leq f(y)$ .

#### 5.a

Proof.

$$\sup_{t \in (0,h)} \frac{(f+g)(x+t) - (f+g)(x)}{t} = \sup_{t \in (0,h)} \left( \frac{f(x+t) - f(x)}{t} + \frac{g(x+t) - g(x)}{t} \right)$$
$$\leq \sup_{t \in (0,h)} \frac{f(x+t) - f(x)}{t} + \sup_{t \in (0,h)} \frac{g(x+t) - g(x)}{t}.$$

Letting  $h \to 0$  yields  $D^+(f+g) \le D^+f + D^+g$ .

#### 5.2 Functions of Bounded Variation

#### 7.

Proof.

(a) It suffices to show this for monotone functions as each function of bounded variation is the difference of two monotone functions. Suppose that f is nondecreasing. Then the set  $E = \{f(x) : x > c\}$  is bounded below and hence  $A = \inf E$  is finite. For every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists some y > c such that  $A \le f(c) < A + \varepsilon$ . Hence, as f is nondecreasing,

for every  $x \in (c, y)$ ,  $|f(x) - A| < \varepsilon$ . Namely,  $\lim_{x \to c^+} f(x) = A$ . Similarly,  $\lim_{x \to c^-} f(x)$  exists.

Let  $D_n = \{x : |f(x+) - f(x-)| > 1/n\}$ . Since f is nondecreasing,  $|f(x) - f(y)| \le f(b) - f(a) < \infty$  for every  $x, y \in [a, b]$ . Hence,  $D_n$  is finite, otherwise we can choose a sequence  $x_1 < \cdots < x_N$  with N > (f(b) - f(a))/n such that  $f(X_N) - f(x_1) > f(b) - f(a)$ . Therefore,  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n$ , the set of discontinuities, is countable.

(b) Suppose  $\{x_1, \ldots, x_n, \ldots\} = \mathbb{Q} \cap [0, 1]$  and define  $f(x) = \sum_{x_n < x} 2^{-n}$ . Clear that f is monotone and continuous at every irrational point. For each rational  $x = x_k$ ,  $f(x+) - f(x-) = 2^{-n}$ . Hence, f is discontinuous at each rational point.

#### 8.

Proof.

(a) For every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists some subdivision  $a = x_0 < \cdots < x_p = c$  and  $c = x_p < \cdots < x_q = b$  of [a, c] and [c, b] such that  $T_a^c < t_a^c + \varepsilon$  and  $T_c^b < t_c^b + \varepsilon$ . Hence,  $T_a^c + T_c^b - 2\varepsilon < t_a^c + t_c^b$ . Meanwhile, as  $a = x_0 < \cdots < x_q = b$  forms a subdivision of [a, b],  $T_a^b \ge t_a^b = t_a^c + t_c^b$ . Therefore,  $T_a^c + T_c^b - 2\varepsilon < T_a^b$ . Since the choice of  $\varepsilon$  is arbitrary,  $T_a^b + T_c^b \le T_a^b$ .

To show that  $T_a^b + T_c^b \ge T_a^b$ , let  $a = x_0 < \cdots < x_q = b$  be any subdivision of [a, b] and by adding c into it, we get subdivisions of [a, c] and [c, b]. Suppose that  $c \in (x_k, x_{k+1}]$ , then

$$|f(x_k) - f(c)| + |f(c) - f(x_{k+1})| + t_a^b = t_a^c + t_c^b + |f(x_k) - f(x_{k+1})|,$$

which implies  $t_a^b \leq t_a^c + t_c^b$ . Hence,

$$T_a^b = \sup t_a^b \le \sup (t_a^c + t_c^b) \le T_a^c + T_c^b.$$

Thus,  $T_a^b = T_a^c + T_c^b$  and therefore  $T_a^c \leq T_a^b$ . (b)

$$T_a^b(f+g) = \sup \sum_{i=1}^k |f(x_i) + g(x_i) - f(x_{i-1}) - g(x_{i-1})|$$

$$\leq \sup \sum_{i=1}^k |f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})| + \sup \sum_{i=1}^k |g(x_i) - g(x_{i-1})|$$

$$\leq T_a^b(f) + T_a^b(g).$$

$$T_a^b(cf) = \sup \sum_{i=1}^k |cf(x_i - cf(x_{i-1}))| = |c| \sup \sum_{i=1}^k |f(x_i - f(x_{i-1}))| = |c| T_a^b(f).$$

9.

*Proof.* For every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists a subdivision  $a = x_0 < \cdots < x_k = b$  such that  $t_a^b(f) \geq T_a^b(f) - \varepsilon$ . Meanwhile, as  $f_n$  converges to f pointwisely

$$t_a^b(f) = t_a^b(\lim f_n)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^k |(\lim f_n)(x_i) - (\lim f_n)(x_{i-1})|$$

$$= \lim \sum_{i=1}^k |f_n(x_i) - f_n(x_{i-1})|$$

$$\leq \underline{\lim} \sup \sum_{i=1}^k |f_n(x_i) - f_n(x_{i-1})| = \underline{\lim} T_a^b(f_n).$$

Hence,  $T_a^b(f) - \varepsilon \leq \underline{\lim} \, T_a^b(f_n)$ . Since the choice of  $\varepsilon$  is arbitrary,  $T_a^b(f) \leq \underline{\lim} \, T_a^b(f_n)$ .

#### 10.a

Solution. No. Let  $x_k = (k\pi + \pi/2)^{-1/2}$ , k = 0, 1, ... and consider the subdivision  $-1 < 0 < x_n < \cdots < x_0 < 1$ . Then

$$t_n \ge \sum_{k=1}^n |f(x_k) - f(x_{k-1})| \ge \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{2}{(k+1/2)\pi}.$$

 $t_n \to \infty$  as  $n \to \infty$  and therefore f is not of bounded variation on [-1,1].

#### 11.

*Proof.* By Lemma 4,  $f(x) = f(a) + P_a^x - N_a^x$ . Since  $P_a^x$  and  $N_a^x$  are monotone, by Theorem 3, they are differentiable almost everywhere as f, a function of bounded variation, does. Hence, for almost every  $x \in [a, b]$ ,

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}f(x) = \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}P_a^x - \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}N_a^x \quad \Rightarrow \quad |f'(x)| \le \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}P_a^x + \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}N_a^x = \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}T_a^x.$$

Integrating on the both sides yields  $\int_a^b |f'| \le T_a^b(f)$ .