

## Q2. Proof of Measurability Using a Dense Subset

**Given:** Let  $(X, \mathcal{S}, \mu)$  be a measure space and let  $A$  be a dense subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ . Show that a function  $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is measurable if and only if  $\{x \in X : f(x) \geq a\}$  is measurable for each  $a \in A$ .

### Step 1: Given and Introduction

Given a function  $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

Need to show  $f$  is measurable if and only if  $\{x \in X : f(x) \geq a\}$  is measurable for each  $a \in A$ .

**Measurability Definition:** A function  $f$  is measurable if for every Borel set  $B \subset \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f^{-1}(B)$  is in  $\mathcal{S}$ .

### Step 2: Necessity

Assume  $f$  is measurable.

Show  $\{x \in X : f(x) \geq a\}$  is measurable for each  $a \in A$ .

If  $f$  is measurable, then  $\{x \in X : f(x) \geq a\} = f^{-1}([a, \infty))$  is measurable for every  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ .

### Step 3: Sufficiency

Assume  $\{x \in X : f(x) \geq a\}$  is measurable for each  $a \in A$ .

Need to show  $\{x \in X : f(x) \geq t\}$  is measurable for each  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Since  $A$  is dense in  $\mathbb{R}$ , for any  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ , a sequence  $(a_n)$  exists such that  $a_n \rightarrow t$ .

$\{x \in X : f(x) \geq t\} = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \{x \in X : f(x) \geq a_n\}$  or  $\{x \in X : f(x) \geq t\} = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \{x \in X : f(x) \geq a_n\}$ .

### Step 4: Conclusion for Proof

As  $\{x \in X : f(x) \geq a\}$  is measurable for each  $a \in A$ , each  $\{x \in X : f(x) \geq t\}$  is measurable for any  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Hence,  $f$  is measurable, i.e.,  $f^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{S}$  for any Borel set  $B \subset \mathbb{R}$ .

### Final Solution for Q2:

The function  $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is measurable if and only if  $\{x \in X : f(x) \geq a\}$  is measurable for each  $a \in A$ , where  $A$  is a dense subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ .

## Q3. Example of Non-Lebesgue Measurable Function

**Given:** Provide an example of a non-Lebesgue measurable function  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $|f|$  is measurable, and  $f^{-1}(\{a\})$  is measurable for each  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ .

### Step 1: Given and Introduction

Provide an example satisfying the given properties.

Let the Vitali set  $V \subset \mathbb{R}$  be a subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  that is not Lebesgue measurable.

Construct a function  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  that is based on  $V$ .

### Step 2: Defining the Function

Define  $f(x) = \chi_V(x)$ , where  $\chi_V$  is the characteristic function of  $V$ .

$\chi_V(x) = 1$  if  $x \in V$

$\chi_V(x) = 0$  if  $x \notin V$

### Step 3: Checking Measurability of $|f|$

Compute  $|f|(x) = |\chi_V(x)|$ .

Since  $\chi_V(x)$  only takes values 0 or 1,  $|f|(x)$  is always 0 or 1, both of which are Borel sets.

Hence,  $|f|(x)$  is measurable.

### Step 4: Checking Preimage of Points

For any  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

If  $a = 1$ ,  $f^{-1}(\{1\}) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : \chi_V(x) = 1\} = V$ , which is not measurable.

If  $a = 0$ ,  $f^{-1}(\{0\}) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : \chi_V(x) = 0\} = \mathbb{R} \setminus V$ , which is measurable since it is the complement of a non-measurable set.

### Final Solution for Q3:

The function  $f(x) = \chi_V(x)$ , where  $V$  is a Vitali set, is a non-Lebesgue measurable function that satisfies  $|f|$  being measurable and  $f^{-1}(\{a\})$  is measurable for each  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ .