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Suppose $f \in BV([a, b])$. If f has a primitive on $[a, b]$, is f continuous on $[a, b]$?

Proof: Suppose $g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfy $g'(x) = f(x)$. If f is not continuous at x_0 , take $y_n \rightarrow x_0$ such that $|f(x_0) - f(y_n)| > \varepsilon_0$, and suppose $y_n < x_0$. By Darboux's theorem, for any n there is a $z_n \in (y_n, x_0)$ such that $|f(x_0) - f(z_n)| < \frac{\varepsilon_0}{2}$. We can suppose $y_n < z_n < y_{n+1}$, by defining it inductively. Then we obtain disjoint intervals $(y_n, z_n) \subset [a, b]$, such that $|f(y_n) - f(z_n)| > \frac{\varepsilon_0}{2}$, contradicting with $f \in BV([a, b])$.

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Suppose f_n is a sequence of increasing & absolutely continuous functions on $[a, b]$. If $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x)$ converges on $[a, b]$, then the sum is absolutely continuous on $[a, b]$.

Proof: Note that f'_n exists a.e. and $f'_n \geq 0$, $f'_n \in \mathcal{L}([a, b])$. Let $F(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x)$, then by Monotone Convergence Theorem,

$$F(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(a) + \int_a^x f'_n dm = F(a) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_a^x f'_n dm = F(a) + \int_a^x \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f'_n dm.$$

Since $F(b), F(a)$ are finite and $f'_n \geq 0$, $G = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f'_n \in \mathcal{L}([a, b])$ and $F(x) = F(a) + \int_a^x G dm$. Therefore $F \in AC([a, b])$.

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Suppose $f \in BV([0, 1])$. If $f \in AC([\varepsilon, 1])$ for any $\varepsilon > 0$, and f is continuous at $x = 0$, then $f \in AC([0, 1])$.

Proof: $f \in AC([\varepsilon, 1])$ implies f' exists a.e. on $[\varepsilon, 1]$ and $f' \in \mathcal{L}([\varepsilon, 1])$ and

$f(x) = f(b) - \int_x^b f' dm \forall x \in [\varepsilon, 1]$. Hence f' exists a.e. on $[0, 1] = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} [\frac{1}{n}, 1]$, so by $f \in BV([0, 1])$ we know that $f' \in \mathcal{L}([0, 1])$, using $\int_0^1 |f'| dm \leq V_0(f) < \infty$. Also $f(x) = f(b) - \int_x^b f' dm \forall x \in (0, 1]$. Since f is continuous at $x = 0$, $f(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = f(b) - \int_0^b f' dm$, so $f(x) = f(0) + \int_0^x f' dm$ and $f \in AC([0, 1])$.

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Suppose $f : [a, b] \rightarrow [c, d]$ is continuous, and for any $y \in [c, d]$, $f^{-1}(\{y\})$ has at most 10 points. Prove that

$$\sqrt[a]{b}(f) \leq 10(d - c).$$

Proof: For any $\Delta = \{a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n = b\}$, we show that $\sum_{k=1}^n |f(x_k) - f(x_{k-1})| \leq 10(d - c)$: Let $I_k = [f(x_k), f(x_{k-1})]$ (or $[f(x_k), f(x_{k-1})]$), then

$$\sum_{k=1}^n |f(x_k) - f(x_{k-1})| = \sum_{k=1}^n \int_c^d \chi_{I_k} dm = \int_c^d \sum_{k=1}^n \chi_{I_k} dm.$$

By intermediate value property, every $y \in [c, d]$ falls in at most 10 intervals I_k , so $\sum_{k=1}^n \chi_{I_k} \leq 10$, and $\sum_{k=1}^n |f(x_k) - f(x_{k-1})| \leq 10(d - c)$.

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Suppose $f \in \mathcal{L}([0, 1])$, $g : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is increasing. If for any $[a, b] \subset [0, 1]$,

$$\left| \int_a^b f dm \right|^2 \leq (g(b) - g(a))(b - a),$$

prove that $f \in \mathcal{L}^2([0, 1])$.

Proof: $\left| \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f dm \right|^2 \leq \frac{g(b)-g(a)}{b-a}$ for any $[a, b] \subset [0, 1]$. By Lebesgue Differentiation Theorem, let $b = a + h \rightarrow a$, then $|f|^2 \leq g'$, a.e. so $f \in \mathcal{L}^2([0, 1])$.

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Suppose $f \in AC([a, b])$ is non-negative, prove that $f^p \in AC([a, b])$ for $p \geq 1$.

Proof: $f \in AC([a, b])$ implies $f \in C([a, b]) \cap BV([a, b])$ & $m(f(Z)) = 0 \forall m(Z) = 0$. Clearly $f^p \in C([a, b])$.

$f \in C([a, b])$ implies $|f| \leq M$ on $[a, b]$ for some $M > 0$. Then x^p is Lipschitz (hence AC) on $[-M, M]$, so $f^p \in BV([a, b])$ and $\forall m(Z) = 0, m(f(Z)) = 0$ so $m(f^p(Z)) = 0$. Therefore by Banach-Zaretsky Theorem, $f^p \in AC([a, b])$.

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Suppose f is increasing on $[a, b]$, and $\int_a^b f' dm = f(b) - f(a)$. Prove that $f \in AC([a, b])$.

Proof: By Lebesgue Differentiation Theorem, $\forall x \in [a, b], f(x) - f(a) \geq \int_a^x f' dm$ and

$f(b) - f(x) \geq \int_x^b f' dm$, so $f(x) = f(a) + \int_a^x f' dm \forall x \in [a, b]$ and hence $f \in AC([a, b])$.

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Suppose $f \in BV([a, b])$. If $\int_a^b |f'| dm = V_a^b(f)$, prove that $f \in AC([a, b])$.

Proof: First we show that $\int_a^b |f'| dm \leq V_a^b(f)$ for $f \in BV([a, b])$. By Jordan decomposition theorem, take $g(x) = V_a^{x+}(f) + f(a)$ and $h(x) = g(x) - f(x)$, then g, h are increasing and $f = g - h$. By Lebesgue Differentiation Theorem,

$$\int_a^b |f'| dm \leq \int_a^b |g'| + |h'| dm \leq g(b) + h(b) - h(a) - g(a) = V_a^b(f).$$

Now if $\int_a^b |f'| dm = V_a^b(f)$, we obtain $\forall [c, d] \subset [a, b], \int_c^d |f'| dm = V_c^d(f)$.

If $f \notin AC([a, b])$ then there exists $\varepsilon_0 > 0$ such that $\forall \delta > 0$ there exists disjoint (x_i, y_i) such that $\sum |x_i - y_i| < \delta$ but $\sum |f(x_i) - f(y_i)| > \varepsilon_0$.

Then

$$\mu_{|f'|} \left(\bigcup (x_i, y_i) \right) = \sum_{k=1}^N \int_{x_i}^{y_i} |f'| dm = \sum_{k=1}^N V_{x_i}^{y_i}(f) \geq \sum_{k=1}^N |f(y_i) - f(x_i)| > \varepsilon_0,$$

while $m(\bigcup (x_i, y_i)) < \delta$. This contradicts the absolute continuity of integrals.