

# **Course Notes**

## **Real Functions and Measures**

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# Chapter 1

## Basics of Abstract Measure Theory

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### 1.1 Review of Topology

#### 1.1.1 Basic Definitions

**Def'n. 1.1.1** Let  $X \neq \emptyset$  and  $\tau \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X)$ . We say that  $(X, \tau)$  is a **topological space** if  $\tau$  satisfies the following conditions:

1.  $\emptyset \in \tau$   $X \in \tau$
2.  $V_1, V_2 \in \tau \Rightarrow V_1 \cap V_2 \in \tau$
3.  $V_\alpha \in \tau$  for all  $\alpha \in I \Rightarrow \bigcap_{\alpha \in I} V_\alpha \in \tau$

We call the elements of  $\tau$  **open sets**.

**Def'n. 1.1.2**  $U \subseteq X$  is a **neighbourhood** of  $x \in X$  if there is some  $G \in \tau$  such that  $x \in G \subset U$ .

**Def'n. 1.1.3**  $F \subseteq X$  is **closed** if  $F^c$  is open.

**Def'n. 1.1.4** The **closure** of a set  $E \subset X$  is the smallest closed set containing  $E$  (denoted  $\bar{E}$ ).

**Def'n. 1.1.5**  $x$  is an **accumulation point** of  $H$  if all neighbourhoods of  $x$  contains infinitely points of  $H$ . Equivalently,  $x$  is a **limit point** of  $H \setminus \{x\}$ .

**Def'n. 1.1.6** If  $H \subseteq X$ , we have a natural subspace topology  $\tau|_H = \{G \cap H : G \in \tau\}$ .

#### 1.1.2 Examples of Topological Spaces

Topological spaces are a very general construction, so here are some of the standard examples:

1.  $\mathbb{R}$  along with the open sets (denoted  $\tau_e$ , the Euclidean topology).
2. The discrete topology,  $\tau = \mathcal{P}(X)$  for any  $X \neq \emptyset$ . This is the “finest” topology.

3. The antidiscrete topology,  $\tau = \{\emptyset, X\}$  for any  $X \neq \emptyset$ . This is the “coarsest” topology.
4. One can define the extended real line,  $X = \mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty, +\infty\}$ . Then

$$G \in \tau \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \forall x \in G \cap \mathbb{R} & \exists r > 0 \text{ s.t. } (x-r, x+r) \subset G \\ -\infty \in G & \exists b \in \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } (-\infty, b) \subset G \\ +\infty \in G & \exists a \in \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } (a, \infty) \subset G \end{cases}$$

The same can be done with a single symbol as well. In either case, the extended real line is a compact set.

5. Any metric spaces induces a topology. Consider a set  $X \neq \emptyset$  arbitrary, and let  $d : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that

- (a)  $0 \leq d(x, y)$  for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $d(x, y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = y$ .
- (b)  $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$  for all  $x, y \in X$
- (c)  $d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(z, y)$  for any  $x, y, z \in X$

Then  $G \in \tau$  if and only if for any  $x \in G$ , there exists  $r$  so that  $B_r(x) \subset G$ . There are many examples of metric spaces:

- (a)  $X = \mathbb{R}$ ,  $d(x, y) = |x - y|$
- (b)  $X = \mathbb{R}$ ,  $d(x, y) = |\tan^{-1}(x) - \tan^{-1}(y)|$
- (c)  $X = \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $d(x, y) = \sqrt{(x_1 - y_1)^2 + (x_2 - y_2)^2}$
- (d)  $X = \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $d(x, y) = (|x_1 - y_1|^p + |x_2 - y_2|^p)^{1/p}$  for  $p \geq 1$ .
- (e) and similarly for  $X = \mathbb{R}^n$
- (f)  $X = C[0, 1]$ ,  $d(f, g) = \max_{x \in [0, 1]} |f(x) - g(x)|$ .
- (g) normed space:  $X$  is a vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $\|\cdot\| : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that
  - i.  $\|x\| = 0$  if and only if  $x = 0$
  - ii.  $\|cx\| = |c| \|x\|$
  - iii.  $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$

If  $\|\cdot\|$  is a norm, then  $d(x, y) = \|x - y\|$  is a metric.

6. The cofinite topology:  $\tau = \{U \in \mathcal{P}(X) : U^c \text{ is finite}\}$ .

### 1.1.3 Other Definitions

**Def’n. 1.1.7**  $K \subset X$  is **compact** if every open cover of  $K$  contains a finite subcover.

**Def’n. 1.1.8** A topological space is called **locally compact** if every point has a compact neighbourhood.

**Prop. 1.1.9**  $C[0, 1]$  with the sup norm is not locally compact.

PROOF I’ll do this later. ■

**Def'n. 1.1.10** A topological space is called **Hausdorff** if for any  $x \neq y$ , there exists neighbourhoods  $U \ni x$ ,  $V \ni y$  so that  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ .

The anti-discrete topology is not Hausdorff.

1. On the discrete topology,  $K$  is compact if and only if  $K$  is finite.
2. On the anti-discrete topology, everything is compact (the only possible open cover consists of  $X$ ).
3. On  $(\mathbb{R}, \tau_e)$ ,  $K$  is compact if and only if  $K$  is closed and bounded.
4. On  $(X, d)$  metric space,  $K$  is compact if and only if  $K$  is complete and totally bounded.

**Prop. 1.1.11** 1. Let  $K \subset X$  be compact, let  $F \subset K$  closed. Then  $F$  is also compact.  
2. Compact sets in a Hausdorff space are closed.

**PROOF** 1. Let  $F \subset \bigcup V_{\alpha}$ . Then  $K \subset F^c \cup (\bigcup V_{\alpha})$  is an open cover for  $K$ , so it has a finite subcover  $F^c \cup V_{\alpha_1} \cup \dots \cup V_{\alpha_n}$ . But then since  $F \cap F^c = \emptyset$ ,  $F \subset V_{\alpha_1} \cup \dots \cup V_{\alpha_n}$  is a finite subcover.  
2. Let  $K \subset X$  be compact, and prove that  $K^c$  is open. Thus let  $x \in K^c$ . For any  $y \in K$ , there exist  $U_y, V_y$  disjoint neighbourhoods of  $x$  and  $y$  respectively. Now consider the open cover  $K \subset \bigcup_{y \in K} V_y$ , and get our finite subcover  $K \subset V_{y_1} \cup \dots \cup V_{y_n}$ . But then  $U_{y_1} \cap \dots \cap U_{y_n} \cap K = \emptyset$  and is open since it is a finite intersection. ■

**Def'n. 1.1.12**  $\Gamma \subseteq \tau$  is a **base** for  $\tau$  if every  $U \in \tau$  can be written as a countable union of the elements of  $\Gamma$ .  $\Gamma$  is a **countable base** if  $\Gamma$  is countable.

**Prop. 1.1.13**  $\mathbb{R}$  has a countable base of intervals.

**PROOF** Consider the collection  $\{B_r(q) : (r, q) \in \mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q}\}$ . To see this, for any open set  $U$ , one can write

$$S := \bigcup_{r \in U \cap \mathbb{Q}} \left( \bigcup_{\{r: B_r(q) \subseteq U\}} B_r(q) \right)$$

$U \supseteq S$  is obvious, so let  $x \in U$  be arbitrary, and let  $s$  be maximal so that  $B_s(x) \subseteq U$ . Then choose  $q \in \mathbb{Q}$  so that  $|x - q| < s/3$  and  $r \in \mathbb{Q}$  so that  $0 < r < s/2$ . Then by construction  $B_r(q) \ni x$  and by the triangle inequality  $B_{r/2}(q) \subseteq U$ , so  $x \in S$ . Thus  $U = S$  as desired. ■

Note that the exact same argument (with some work) can be generalized to show that  $\mathbb{R}^n$  has a countable base of open hyperrectangles.

## 1.1.4 Functions and Continuity

Many of the standard notions of limits and continuity extend naturally to topological spaces.

**Def'n. 1.1.14** Let  $(x_n) \subset X$  be a sequence and let  $x \in X$ . Then  $x$  is the **limit** of  $(x_n)$  if for any neighbourhood  $U$  of  $X$ , there exists  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $n > N \Rightarrow x_n \in U$ .

**Prop. 1.1.15** If  $F \subset X$  is closed, then for all convergent sequences in  $F$ , the limit is also in  $F$ .

**PROOF** See Homework. ■

**Def'n. 1.1.16** Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a function, and  $x \in X$  an accumulation point of  $D(f)$ . The limit of  $f$  at  $x$  is  $y \in Y$  if for any neighbourhood  $V$  of  $y$  there exists a neighbourhood  $U$  of  $x$  such that  $f(U \cap D(f) \setminus \{x\}) \subseteq V$ .

**Def'n. 1.1.17** Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a function, and let  $x \in D(f)$ . Then  $f$  is **continuous at  $x$**  if for any neighbourhood  $V$  of  $f(x)$ , then  $f^{-1}(V)$  is a neighbourhood of  $x$ .

**Def'n. 1.1.18**  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is called **continuous** if it is continuous at every point.

**Prop. 1.1.19**  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is continuous if and only if  $f^{-1}(G)$  is open for all  $G$  open.

PROOF Exercise. ■

**Thm. 1.1.20** Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be continuous and  $K \subset X$  be compact. Then  $f(K)$  is compact.

PROOF Recall that continuous functions pull back open sets. Let  $f(K) \subset \bigcup U_\alpha$  be an open cover. Then  $\bigcup f^{-1}(U_\alpha)$  is an open cover for  $K$ , and has a finite subcover  $U_{\alpha_1} \cup \dots \cup U_{\alpha_n}$ . But then  $f(f^{-1}(U_{\alpha_1})) \cup \dots \cup f(f^{-1}(U_{\alpha_n}))$  is a subcover of  $f(K)$ . ■

## 1.2 Measure Theory

### 1.2.1 $\sigma$ -algebras

**Def'n. 1.2.1** Let  $X \neq \emptyset$  be a set.  $\mathcal{M} \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$  is called a  **$\sigma$ -algebra** if

1.  $X \in \mathcal{M}$
2.  $A \in \mathcal{M} \Rightarrow A^c \in \mathcal{M}$
3. If  $A_n \in \mathcal{M}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n \in \mathcal{M}$

The pair  $(X, \mathcal{M})$  is called a **measurable space**. The elements of  $\mathcal{M}$  are called **measurable sets**.

**Def'n. 1.2.2** Let  $(X, \mathcal{M})$  be a measurable space,  $(Y, \tau)$  be a topological space. Then  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is called **measurable** if  $f^{-1}(V) \in \mathcal{M}$  for all  $V \in \tau$ .

Here are some simple examples of  $\sigma$ -algebras.

**Ex. 1.2.3** 1.  $\mathcal{M} = \{\emptyset, X\}$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra.

2.  $\mathcal{P}(X) = \mathcal{M}$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra.

3.  $\mathcal{M} = \{A \subset X : A \text{ or } A^c \text{ is countable}\}$ . To see this, given  $A_n \in \mathcal{M}$ , if everything is countable, then  $\bigcup A_n$  is countable. If some  $A_i$  is countable, then  $(\bigcup A_n)^c = \bigcap A_n^c$  is countable, so  $\bigcup A_n \in \mathcal{M}$ .

We will later see some proper examples, like the  $\sigma$ -algebra of Lebesgue measurable sets.

We have the following properties of  $\sigma$ -algebras.

**Prop. 1.2.4** 1.  $\emptyset \in \mathcal{M}$

2.  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \in \mathcal{M} \Rightarrow A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_n \in \mathcal{M}$

3.  $A_n \in \mathcal{M}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  then  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \in \mathcal{M}$



4.  $A, B \in \mathcal{M} \Rightarrow A \setminus B \in \mathcal{M}$
5.  $f$  is measurable,  $H \subset Y$  is closed, then  $f^{-1}(H) \in \mathcal{M}$ .

PROOF 1.  $X \in \mathcal{M} \Rightarrow X^c \in \mathcal{M}$ .

2. We can extend this to a countable union by introduction  $A_{n+i} = \emptyset$  for  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ .
3. By DeMorgan's identities,  $(\bigcap A_n)^c = \bigcup A_n^c \in \mathcal{M}$ .
4.  $A \setminus B = A \cap B^c \in \mathcal{M}$ .
5.  $H^c$  is open implies  $f^{-1}(H^c) \in \mathcal{M}$ . Then  $f^{-1}(H) = (f^{-1}(H^c))^c \in \mathcal{M}$ . ■

**Prop. 1.2.5** Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be measurable, let  $g : Y \rightarrow Z$  be continuous, then  $g \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$  is measurable.

PROOF Let  $V \subset Z$  be open, so  $g^{-1}(V) \subset Y$  is open, so  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(V)) \in \mathcal{M}$  which is  $(g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$ . ■

**Prop. 1.2.6** Let  $(X, \mathcal{M})$  be a measurable space,  $Y$  be a topological space. Let  $\phi : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow Y$  be continuous. If  $u, v : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are measurable, then  $h(x) = \phi(u(x), v(x))$  is measurable.

PROOF Define  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  by  $f(x) = (u(x), v(x))$ . We will see that  $f$  is measurable, so that  $h = \phi \circ f$  is measurable since  $\phi$  is continuous. Let  $I_1, I_2 \subset \mathbb{R}$  be open intervals, so  $R = I_1 \times I_2$  is an open rectangle. Then  $f^{-1}(R) = u^{-1}(I_1) \cap v^{-1}(I_2) \in \mathcal{M}$ . Let  $G \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  be an open set, so there exist  $R_n$  open rectangles so that

$$G = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} R_n \Rightarrow f^{-1}(G) = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} f^{-1}(R_n) \in \mathcal{M}$$

so that  $f$  is measurable. ■

- Cor. 1.2.7**
1. If  $u, v : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are measurable, then  $u + v$  and  $u \cdot v$  are measurable.
  2.  $u + iv : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is measurable.
  3.  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is measurable,  $f = u + iv \Rightarrow u, v, |f|$  are measurable.

**Prop. 1.2.8** Define

$$\chi_E(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in E \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin E \end{cases}$$

Then  $\chi_E$  is measurable if and only if  $E \in \mathcal{M}$ .

PROOF Naturally,  $\chi_E^{-1}(1) = E$  and  $\chi_E^{-1}(0) = E^c$ , so  $\chi_E$  is measurable if and only if  $E, E^c \in \mathcal{M}$ . ■

**Thm. 1.2.9** Let  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$ , then there exists a smallest  $\sigma$ -algebra containing  $\mathcal{F}$ . This is denoted by  $S(\mathcal{F})$ , the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by  $\mathcal{F}$ .

PROOF Let  $\Omega = \{\mathcal{M} : \mathcal{M} \text{ is a } \sigma\text{-algebra, } \mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{M}\}$ . Certainly  $\Omega \neq \emptyset$  since  $\mathcal{P}(X) \in \Omega$ . Let  $S(\mathcal{F}) = \bigcap_{\mathcal{M} \in \Omega} \mathcal{M}$ . We will see that  $S(\mathcal{F})$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra.

- (i) Since  $X \in \mathcal{M}$ , it follows that  $X \in \bigcap \mathcal{M}$ .
- (ii) If  $A \in S(\mathcal{F})$ , then  $A \in \mathcal{M}$  for all  $\mathcal{M}$ . Thus  $A^c \in \mathcal{M}$  for all  $\mathcal{M}$  and  $A^c \in \bigcap \mathcal{M}$ .
- (iii) In the same way, of  $A_n \in S(\mathcal{F})$  for all  $n$ , then  $A_n \in \mathcal{M}$  for all  $n, \mathcal{M}$ . Thus  $\bigcup A_n \in \mathcal{M}$  for all  $\mathcal{M}$  so  $\bigcup A_n \in \bigcap \mathcal{M} = S(\mathcal{F})$ .

By definition,  $\mathcal{F} \subset \bigcap \mathcal{M}$ . Finally,  $S(\mathcal{F})$  is minimal, since if  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{N}$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra, then  $\mathcal{N} \in \Omega \Rightarrow S(\mathcal{F}) \subset \mathcal{N}$ , so we are done. ■

**Def'n. 1.2.10** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a topological space. Then  $\mathcal{B} = S(\tau)$  is called the **Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra**. Borel sets are the elements of  $S(\tau)$ . A function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is Borel measurable if  $f^{-1}(G) \in \mathcal{B}$  for all  $G \subset Y$  open.

**Prop. 1.2.11** 1. If  $F \subset X$  is closed, then  $F \in \mathcal{B}$ .  
2.  $G_n \subset X$  are open, then  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} G_n \in \mathcal{B}$ . These are called  $G_\delta$ -sets.  
3.  $F_n \subset X$  are closed, then  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} F_n \in \mathcal{B}$ . These are called  $F_\sigma$ -sets.

**PROOF** These follow directly from the definition of a  $\sigma$ -algebra. ■

**Ex. 1.2.12**  $X = \mathbb{R}, \tau_e$ , then  $\mathcal{B} = S(\tau_e)$ . Let  $\Gamma_0 = \{(a, b) : a < b\}$  be a family of open intervals. We see that  $S(\Gamma_0) = \mathcal{B}$ . Since  $\Gamma_0 \subset \tau$ ,  $S(\Gamma_0) \subset S(\tau) = \mathcal{B}$ . Conversely, let  $G \in \tau$ , then we have open intervals  $G = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n$  so that  $G \in S(\Gamma_0)$ . Thus  $S(\tau) \subset S(\Gamma_0)$  and  $S(\Gamma_0) = \mathcal{B}$ .

**Ex. 1.2.13** Let  $\Gamma_\infty = \{(a, \infty) : a \in \mathbb{R}\}$ . I claim that  $S(\Gamma_\infty) = \mathcal{B}$ . Certainly  $S(\Gamma_\infty) \subset S(\tau) = \mathcal{B}$ . Then  $(-\infty, a] = (a_1, \infty)^c \in S(\Gamma_\infty)$ . Similarly,  $(-\infty, a) = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (-\infty, a - 1/n] \in S(\Gamma_\infty)$ . Thus  $(a, \infty) \cap (-\infty, b) = (a, b) \in S(\Gamma_0)$ , and using the previous example,  $\mathcal{B} = S(\Gamma_\infty)$ .

**Prop. 1.2.14** Let  $(X, \mathcal{M})$  be a measurable space, and let  $f : X \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}} = \mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty, \infty\}$  with the euclidean topology. If  $f^{-1}((\alpha, \infty]) \in \mathcal{M}$  for any  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $f$  is measurable.

**PROOF** Recall that  $f$  is measurable if its inverse image takes open sets to measurable sets.

We have  $f^{-1}([-\infty, \alpha]) = (f^{-1}((\alpha, \infty]))^c \in \mathcal{M}$ . Similarly,

$$f^{-1}([-\infty, \alpha)) = f^{-1}\left(\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} [-\infty, \alpha - 1/n]\right) = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} f^{-1}([-\infty, \alpha - 1/n]) \in \mathcal{M}$$

We then have

$$f^{-1}((\alpha, \beta)) = f^{-1}([-\infty, \beta) \cap (\alpha, \infty]) = f^{-1}([-\infty, \beta)) \cap f^{-1}((\alpha, \infty]) \in \mathcal{M}$$

Recall that the open intervals are a base for  $\tau_e$ . Thus if  $G \subset \overline{\mathbb{R}}$  is open, then there exists open intervals so that  $G = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n$  and

$$f^{-1}(G) = f^{-1}\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n\right) = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} f^{-1}(I_n) \in \mathcal{M}$$

as desired. ■

## 1.2.2 Sequences of Measurable Functions

Our goal is to prove that the pointwise limit of measurable functions is measurable. This does not hold for Riemann integrability! For example, a function with a finite number of discontinuities is Riemann integrable, but the dirichlet function is not Riemann integrable and is discontinuous only at a countable number of points.

**Def'n. 1.2.15** Let  $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset \bar{\mathbb{R}}$  be a sequence, and  $b_k = \sup\{a_k, a_{k+1}, \dots\}$ . Then  $\beta = \inf_{k \in \mathbb{N}} b_k$  is called the  $\limsup$  of  $(a_n)$ . We can similarly define  $c_k = \inf\{a_k, a_{k+1}, \dots\}$  and  $\liminf = \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} c_k$ .

**Def'n. 1.2.16** Let  $f_n : X \rightarrow \bar{\mathbb{R}}$  be a sequence of functions. Then  $(\sup f_n) : X \rightarrow \bar{\mathbb{R}}$ ,  $(\sup f_n)(x) = \sup f_n(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ . Similarly,  $(\inf f_n) : X \rightarrow \bar{\mathbb{R}}$ ,  $(\inf f_n)(x) = \inf f_n(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ . Then  $(\liminf f_n)(x) = \liminf f_n(x)$ . If  $\lim f_n(x)$  exists for all  $x$ , then we say  $(\lim f_n)(x) = \lim f_n(x)$ .

**Thm. 1.2.17** Let  $f_n : X \rightarrow \bar{\mathbb{R}}$  be measurable. Then  $\sup f_n$ ,  $\inf f_n$ ,  $\limsup f_n$ ,  $\liminf f_n$  are measurable.

**PROOF** Let  $g = \sup f_n$ . It is enough to prove that  $g^{-1}((\alpha, +\infty]) \in \mathcal{M}$  for all  $\alpha$ . Let  $H = g^{-1}((\alpha, +\infty]) = \{x \in X : \sup f_n(x) > \alpha\}$ . Let  $H_n = f_n^{-1}((\alpha, +\infty]) = \{x \in X : f_n(x) > \alpha\} \in \mathcal{M}$ . We show that  $H = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} H_n$ .

First let  $x \in H$ , so  $\sup f_n(x) > \alpha$ . Thus get  $N$  so that  $f_N(x) > \alpha$ , so  $x \in H_N$  and  $x$  is in the union. The converse is obvious.

Thus  $g$  is measurable. In the exact same way,  $\inf f_n$  is measurable. As well,

$$\limsup f_n = \inf_i \sup_{k \geq i} f_k$$

is measurable. ■

**Cor. 1.2.18** If  $\lim f_n$  exists, then it is measurable.

**PROOF** If  $\lim f_n$  exists, then  $\lim f_n = \limsup f_n$ . ■

**Cor. 1.2.19** If  $f, g$  are measurable, then  $\max\{f, g\}$ ,  $\min\{f, g\}$  are measurable.

**Cor. 1.2.20** Let  $f$  be a function. Then  $f_+ = \max\{f, 0\}$  and  $f_- = -\min\{f, 0\}$  (the positive and negative parts of  $f$ ) are measurable. Similarly,  $|f| = f_+ + f_-$  is measurable.

### 1.2.3 Measures

**Def'n. 1.2.21** Let  $(X, \mathcal{M})$  be a measurable space. A function  $\mu : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$  is called a **(positive) measure** if it is countably additive and not constant  $+\infty$ . In other words,

1.  $\mu\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_n)$  if  $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$
2.  $\exists A \in \mathcal{M}$  so that  $\mu(A) < \infty$

$(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$  is called a **measure space**.

**Prop. 1.2.22** 1.  $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$

2. If  $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$  then  $\mu\left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mu(A_i)$

3.  $A \subset B$  implies  $\mu(A) \leq \mu(B)$

4.  $A_1 \subset A_2 \subset A_3 \cdots$  then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu A_n = \mu\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right)$

5.  $A_1 \supset A_2 \supset A_3 \cdots$  and  $\mu(A_i) < \infty$  then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A_n) = \mu\left(\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right)$

PROOF 1. Let  $A \in \mathcal{M}$  so that  $\mu(A) < \infty$ , and fix  $A_1 = A$ ,  $A_2 = A_3 = \cdots = \emptyset$ . Then  $\bigcup A_n = A$  so  $\mu(A) = \mu(A) + \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} \mu(\emptyset)$  so  $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$ .

2. Obvious

3. Note that  $B = A \cup (B \setminus A)$  is a disjoint union.

4. Define  $B_1 := A_1$  and  $B_i = A_i \setminus A_{i-1}$  for  $i \geq 2$ . Then  $B_i \cap B_j = \emptyset$  and  $\mu(A_n) = \mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n B_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mu(B_i)$ . Similarly,  $\mu\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) = \mu\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n\right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu(B_n)$ . Therefore,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n \mu(B_i) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu(B_n)$ .

5. Let  $C_n = A_1 \setminus A_n$ ,  $C_1 = \emptyset$ . Then  $C_1 \subset C_2 \subset \cdots$  and  $\mu(C_n) + \mu(A_n) = \mu(A_1)$ . Let  $A = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$  so  $A_1 \setminus A = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n$  and  $(\bigcup C_n) \cup A = A_1$  is a disjoint union. But then  $\mu(\bigcup A_n) + \mu(A) = \mu(A_1)$  so that

$$\mu(A_1) - \mu(A) = \mu\left(\bigcup C_n\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(C_n) = \mu(A_1) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A_n)$$

Since  $\mu(A_1)$  is finite, we have  $\mu(A) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A_n)$ . ■

**Ex. 1.2.23** Here are a few examples of measures that exist on arbitrary sets.

1.  $X$  arbitrary,  $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{P}(X)$ , and

$$\mu(E) = \begin{cases} |E| & \text{if } E \text{ is finite} \\ +\infty & \text{if } E \text{ is not finite} \end{cases}$$

It is easy to verify it is countably additive.

2.  $X$  arbitrary,  $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{P}(X)$ . Fix  $x_0 \in X$ . Then

$$\mu(E) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x_0 \in E \\ 0 & \text{if } x_0 \notin E \end{cases}$$

## 1.3 Towards Integration

### 1.3.1 Simple Functions

**Def'n. 1.3.1**  $s : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$  is called a **simple function** if its range is finite.

**Prop. 1.3.2** Let  $s$  be a simple function, so that  $R(s) = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n\}$ . Then  $s = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \chi_{A_i}$  where  $A_i = s^{-1}(\{\alpha_i\})$  and  $s$  is **measurable** if and only if  $A_i \in \mathcal{M}$ .

PROOF Obvious. ■

The following theorem is used later to define the intergral. It is clear that we should define the integral of a simple function as the sum of the integrals of its characteristic functions, and this allows us to extend the integral by limits to the function  $f$ .

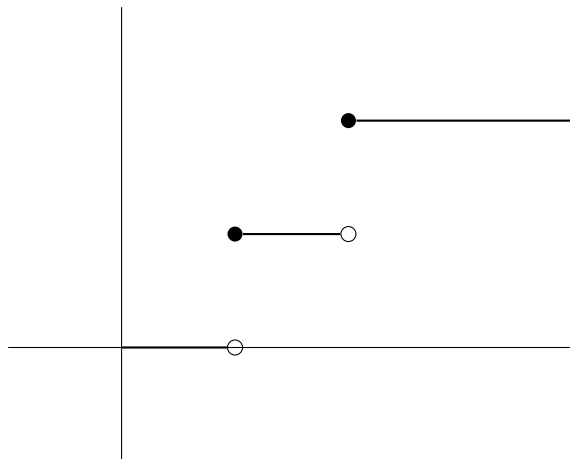
**Thm. 1.3.3** Let  $f : X \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$  be nonnegative measurable functions. Then there exists a sequence  $s_n : X \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$  of simple measurable functions with

1.  $(s_n)$  is increasing and bounded above by  $f$
2.  $\lim s_n = f$  pointwise.

PROOF Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $t \geq 0$ , and define  $k_n(t) = [2^n \cdot t]$  (i.e.  $k_n(t) \leq 2^n \cdot t < k_n(t) + 1$ ). Then define

$$\phi_n(t) = \begin{cases} k_n(t) \cdot 2^{-n} & \text{if } t \leq n \\ n & \text{if } t > n \end{cases}$$

I've drawn  $\phi_1$  below:



Then  $t - 2^{-n} \leq \phi_n(t) \leq t$ ,  $\lim \phi_n(t) = t$  uniformly, and  $\phi_n \leq \phi_{n+1}$ , so the sequence of functions is monotone. Define  $s_n = \phi_n \circ f$ , so for any  $x \in X$ ,  $\lim s_n(x) = \lim \phi_n \circ f(x) = f(x)$ . Note that  $s_n$  is simple since it has finite range (from  $\phi_n$ ), and  $s_n \leq s_{n+1}$  because  $\phi_n \leq \phi_{n+1}$ , and  $s_n \leq f$  since  $\phi_n(t) \leq t$ . Furthermore,  $\phi_n$  is measurable since its level sets are intervals, so  $s_n = \phi_n \circ f$  is measurable. ■

### 1.3.2 Integration of Positive Functions

**Def'n. 1.3.4** Let  $s : X \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$  be a measurable simple function  $s = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i \chi_{A_i}$ . Let  $E \in \mathcal{M}$ . Then define the **integral** of  $s$  over  $E$  with respect to  $\mu$  as

$$\int_E s d\mu = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i \mu(A_i \cap E)$$

where we define  $0 \cdot \infty = 0$ .

**Def'n. 1.3.5** Let  $f : X \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$  be a measurable function. Let  $E \in \mathcal{M}$ . Then the **(Lebesgue) integral** of  $f$  over  $E$  with respect to  $\mu$  is

$$\int_E f \, d\mu = \sup \left\{ \int_E s \, d\mu : 0 \leq s \leq f; s \text{ is simple measurable} \right\}$$

Unlike the Riemann integral, we take the supremum over lower sums only.

**Prop. 1.3.6** Let  $f, g : X \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$  be measurable functions. Let  $E, A, B \in \mathcal{M}$ .

1. If  $f \leq g$  then  $\int_E f \, d\mu \leq \int_E g \, d\mu$
2. If  $A \subset B$ , then  $\int_A f \, d\mu \leq \int_B f \, d\mu$
3.  $\int_E c \cdot f \, d\mu = c \cdot \int_E f \, d\mu$  for all  $c \geq 0$
4. If  $f(x) = 0$  for all  $x \in E$ , then  $\int_E f \, d\mu = 0$
5. If  $\mu(E) = 0$ , then  $\int_E f \, d\mu = 0$
6.  $\int_E f \, d\mu = \int_X f \cdot \chi_E \, d\mu$ .

**PROOF** 1. This follows directly since

$$\left\{ \int_E s \, d\mu : 0 \leq s \leq f \right\} \subset \left\{ \int_E s \, d\mu : 0 \leq s \leq g \right\}$$

2. Let  $0 \leq s \leq f$  be simple measurable. Then

$$\int_A s \, d\mu = \sum \alpha_i \mu(A \cap A_i) \leq \sum \alpha_i \mu(B \cap A_i) = \int_B s \, d\mu$$

Take the supremum for all  $0 \leq s \leq f$ , then the result follows.

3. Let  $S$  be simple and measurable, so  $s = \sum \alpha_i \chi_{A_i}$ . Then

$$\int_E c \cdot s \, d\mu = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \cdot c \cdot \mu(E \cap A_i) = c \cdot \sum \alpha_i \mu(E \cap A_i) = c \int_E s \, d\mu$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \int_E c \cdot f \, d\mu &= \sup \left\{ \int_E s \, d\mu : 0 \leq s \leq cf \right\} \\ &= \sup \left\{ \int_E c \cdot t \, d\mu : 0 \leq t \leq f \right\} \\ &= c \cdot \sup \left\{ \int_E t \, d\mu : 0 \leq t \leq f \right\} \\ &= c \cdot \int_E f \, d\mu \end{aligned}$$

4. If  $0 \leq s \leq f$ , then  $s = \sum \alpha_i \chi_{A_i}$ . If  $x \in A_i \cap E$ , then  $s(x) = \alpha_i$  and  $\alpha_i = 0$ . Then  $\alpha_i \mu(A_i \cap E) = 0$  for all  $i$ : either  $A_i \cap E = \emptyset$ , or  $A_i \cap E$  is not empty, and  $\alpha_i = 0$ . This is true for any  $0 \leq s \leq f$ , and taking supremums yields the result.

5. If  $\mu(E) = 0$  then  $\mu(A_i \cap E) = 0$ , and  $\int_E s \, d\mu = \sum \alpha_i \mu(A_i \cap E) = 0$  and taking supremums, the result holds.
6. Exercise. First prove if  $0 \leq s \leq f \cdot \chi_E$ , then  $\int_X s \, d\mu = \int_E s \, d\mu$ . Then prove

$$\left\{ \int_E s \, d\mu : 0 \leq s \leq f \cdot \chi_E \right\} = \left\{ \int_E s \, d\mu : 0 \leq s \leq f \right\} \quad \blacksquare$$

**Prop. 1.3.7** *Let  $s$  be a simple and measurable. Then  $\phi(E) = \int_E s \, d\mu$  is a measure.*

PROOF  $\phi(\emptyset) = 0$ , so  $\phi$  is not constant  $+\infty$ . Let  $E = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n$  be a disjoint union. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(E) &= \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i \mu(A_i \cap E) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i \mu\left(A_i \cap \left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n\right)\right) = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i \mu\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (A_i \cap E_n)\right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_i \cap E_n) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i \mu(A_i \cap E_n) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{E_n} s \, d\mu = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \phi(E_n) \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

**Prop. 1.3.8** *Let  $s, t$  be nonnegative, measurable simple functions. Then*

$$\int_X (s + t) \, d\mu = \int_X s \, d\mu + \int_X t \, d\mu$$

PROOF Write

$$s = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i \chi_{A_i}, \quad t = \sum_{j=1}^n \beta_j \chi_{B_j}$$

and let  $E_{ij} = A_i \cap B_j$ , so  $X = \bigcup_{i,j} E_{ij}$  is a disjoint union. We now have

$$\int_{E_{ij}} (s + t) \, d\mu = (\alpha_i + \beta_j) \mu(E_{ij}) = \alpha_i \mu(E_{ij}) + \beta_j \mu(E_{ij}) = \int_{E_{ij}} s \, d\mu + \int_{E_{ij}} t \, d\mu$$

Let  $\phi(E) = \int_E (s+t) d\mu$ , which is a measure as above. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \int_X (s+t) d\mu &= \phi(X) = \phi\left(\bigcup_{i,j} E_{ij}\right) \\ &= \sum_{i,j} \phi(E_{ij}) = \sum_{i,j} \int_{E_{ij}} (s+t) d\mu \\ &= \sum_{i,j} \left( \int_{E_{ij}} s d\mu + \int_{E_{ij}} t d\mu \right) \\ &= \sum_{i,j} \phi(E_{ij}) + \sum_{i,j} \theta(E_{ij}) \\ &= \int_X s d\mu + \int_X t d\mu \end{aligned}$$

where  $\phi(E) = \int_E s d\mu$ ,  $\theta(X) = \int_E t d\mu$ . ■

To extend this result to general functions, we need some stronger machinery. In particular, we have the first of many convergence theorems.

## 1.4 Lebesgue's Monotone Convergence Theorem

**Thm. 1.4.1 (Lebesgue's Monotone Convergence)** *Let  $f_n : X \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$  be measurable, such that*

(i)  $0 \leq f_1 \leq f_2 \leq \dots$

(ii)  $f(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x)$  for all  $x \in X$

*Then  $f$  is measurable, and  $\int_X f d\mu = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_X f_n d\mu$ .*

**PROOF** It was already proven that  $f$  is measurable. We have  $\int_X f_n d\mu \leq \int_X f_{n+1} d\mu$  for all  $n$ , so  $\alpha := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_X f_n d\mu$  exists. We also have  $f_n \leq f$ , so  $\int_X f_n d\mu \leq \int_X f d\mu$  and  $\alpha \leq \int_X f d\mu$ . Thus we wish to show  $\alpha \geq \int_X f d\mu$ . It suffices to prove that  $\alpha \geq \int_X s d\mu$  for any simple  $s \leq f$ . Furthermore, if  $c \in (0, 1)$ , it suffices to show that  $\alpha \geq \int_X c \cdot s d\mu$ .

Define  $E_n = \{x \in X : f_n(x) \geq c \cdot s(x)\}$ . We have  $E_1 \subset E_2 \subset \dots$  so that  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n = X$ . Then

$$\int_X f_n d\mu \geq \int_{E_n} f_n d\mu \geq \int_{E_n} c \cdot s d\mu$$

Let  $\phi(E) = \int_E s d\mu$ , so  $\int_{E_n} s d\mu = \phi(E_n)$ . Thus  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \phi(E_n) = \phi(X) = \int_X s d\mu$ . Thus

$$\alpha \geq c \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \phi(E_n) = c \cdot \int_X s d\mu = \int_X c \cdot s d\mu$$

as desired. ■

Note that in the proof, choosing  $c \in (0, 1)$  was important since it lets us define the  $E_n$  so that  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n = X$  - this would not work by defining  $E_n = \{x \in X : f_n(x) \geq s(x)\}$ .



### 1.4.1 Applications of Monotone Convergence

Now, as advertised, we can prove linearity of the integral for general measurable functions using the Monotone Convergence Theorem.

**Thm. 1.4.2** *Let  $f, g : X \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$  measurable, then  $\int_X (f + g) d\mu = \int_X f d\mu + \int_X g d\mu$ .*

**PROOF** We proved that there exists increasing sequences of simple functions  $s_n, t_n$  such that  $\lim s_n(x) = f(x)$ ,  $\lim t_n(x) = g(x)$  monotonically. Then  $s_n(x) + t_n(x) \rightarrow f(x) + g(x)$  monotonically so that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_X (f + g) d\mu &= \int_X \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (s_n + t_n) d\mu \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_X (s_n + t_n) d\mu \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \int_X s_n d\mu + \int_X t_n d\mu \right) \\ &= \int_X \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n d\mu + \int_X \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n d\mu \\ &= \int_X f d\mu + \int_X g d\mu \end{aligned}$$

relying on linearity of the integral over simple functions. ■

**Cor. 1.4.3** *If  $f_n : X \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$  is a sequence of measurable functions, then*

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_X f_n d\mu = \int_X \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n d\mu$$

**PROOF** Define  $g_n = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i$  is monotonically increasing. ■

**Ex. 1.4.4** Let  $X = \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{P}(X)$ ,  $\mu(E)$  is the counting measure. Let  $a : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a function. This is a sequence. Every function is measurable. Let  $s_n(i) = a(i)$  for  $i \leq n$  and 0 otherwise, which is a simple function, and  $s_n \leq s_{n+1}$ . Then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n(i) = a(i)$  so  $s_n \rightarrow a$  pointwise, so by LMC  $\int_X s_n d\mu = \int_X a d\mu$ . Also,

$$\int_X s_n d\mu = \sum_{i=1}^n a(i) \mu(\{i\}) = \sum_{i=1}^n a(i)$$

$$\text{so } \int_X a d\mu = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a(n).$$

For the following Lemma, we will see an application of it during the section on Complex measures (to follow).

**Lemma 1.4.5 (Fatou)** *Let  $f_n : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a sequence of measurable functions. Then*

$$\int_X \liminf f_n d\mu \leq \liminf \int_X f_n d\mu$$

**PROOF** Let  $g_k = \inf\{f_k, f_{k+1}, \dots\}$  so  $\liminf f_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_n$  and  $g_n$  is increasing. Note that  $g_k \leq f_k$  for any  $k$ , so  $\int_X g_k d\mu \leq \int_X f_k d\mu$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \int_X \liminf f_n d\mu &= \int_X \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_n d\mu \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_X g_n d\mu \\ &= \liminf \int_X g_n d\mu \\ &\leq \liminf \int_X f_n d\mu \end{aligned}$$

Note that the inequality can hold strictly (exercise). ■

Our next application is a strengthening of the previous result for simple functions.

**Thm. 1.4.6** Let  $f : X \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  be measurable. Let  $\phi(E) = \int_E f d\mu$ ,  $E \in \mathcal{M}$ . Then  $\phi$  is a measure and  $\int_X g d\phi = \int_X g \cdot f d\mu$ .

**PROOF** Certainly  $\phi(\emptyset) = 0$ , so  $\phi \neq +\infty$ . Thus let  $E = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i$  be a disjoint union and  $\chi_E f = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \chi_{E_i} f$ . Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(E) &= \int_E f d\mu = \int_X \chi_E f d\mu \\ &= \int_X \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \chi_{E_i} f d\mu = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \int_X \chi_{E_i} f d\mu \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \int_{E_i} f d\mu = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \phi(E_i) \end{aligned}$$

where we interchange the summation using the previous corollary. Now, we prove that  $\int_X g d\phi = \int_X g f d\mu$ .

- Let  $g = \chi_E$  be a characteristic function. Then

$$\int_X \chi_E d\phi = \phi(E) = \int_E f d\mu = \int_X \chi_E f d\mu$$

- Let  $g = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \chi_{A_i}$  be a simple function. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_X \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \chi_{A_i} d\phi &= \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \int_X \chi_{A_i} d\phi \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \int_X \chi_{A_i} f d\mu \\ &= \int_X \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \chi_{A_i} f d\mu \end{aligned}$$

applying the result for characteristic functions.

- Let  $g$  be an arbitrary measurable function. For the final step, we apply monotone convergence. Let  $(s_n) \rightarrow g$  be an increasing sequence of simple functions, and note that  $s_n f \rightarrow gf$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned}\int_X g \, d\phi &= \int_X \lim s_n \, d\phi = \lim \int_X s_n \, d\phi \\ &= \lim \int_X s_n f \, d\mu = \int_X \lim(s_n f) \, d\mu \\ &= \int_X g \cdot f \, d\mu\end{aligned}$$

as desired.

Thus we have our result. ■

## 1.5 Integration of Complex Valued Functions

**Def'n. 1.5.1** A function  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is called *Lebesgue integrable* if  $\int_X |f| \, d\mu < \infty$ . The collection of such functions is  $L^1(\mu)$ .

### 1.5.1 Basic Properties

**Def'n. 1.5.2** Let  $f \in L^1(\mu)$ . Then  $f = u + iv$  and denote  $u = \operatorname{Re} f$ ,  $v = \operatorname{Im} f$ . Let  $E \in \mathcal{M}$ ; then the integral of  $f$  over  $E$  with respect to  $\mu$  is

$$\int_E f \, d\mu = \int_E u^+ \, d\mu - \int_E u^- \, d\mu + i \left( \int_E v^+ \, d\mu - \int_E v^- \, d\mu \right)$$

with the integral as defined for positive functions.

**Thm. 1.5.3** Let  $f, g \in L^1(\mu)$ ,  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$ , so  $\alpha f + \beta g \in L^1(\mu)$  and

$$\int_X (\alpha f + \beta g) \, d\mu = \alpha \int_X f \, d\mu + \beta \int_X g \, d\mu$$

**PROOF** Note that  $\alpha f + \beta g$  is measurable, so  $\int_X |\alpha f + \beta g| \, d\mu \leq |\alpha| \int_X |f| \, d\mu + |\beta| \int_X |g| \, d\mu < \infty$ . For real measurable functions,  $\int_X (f + g) \, d\mu = \int_X f \, d\mu + \int_X g \, d\mu$  directly by expanding the definition and using additivity over positive functions. We thus show  $\int_X \alpha f \, d\mu = \alpha \int_X f \, d\mu$ . If  $\alpha \geq 0$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}\int_X \alpha f \, d\mu &= \int_X \alpha(u + iv) = \int_X (\alpha u^+ - \alpha u^- + i\alpha v^+ - i\alpha v^-) \, d\mu \\ &= \int_X ((\alpha u)^+ - (\alpha u)^- + (i\alpha v)^+ - (i\alpha v)^-) \, d\mu \\ &= \int_X (\alpha u)^+ \, d\mu - \int_X (\alpha u)^- \, d\mu + \int_X i(\alpha v)^+ \, d\mu - \int_X i(\alpha v)^- \, d\mu \\ &= \alpha \int_X u^+ \, d\mu - \alpha \int_X u^- \, d\mu + \alpha \int_X iv^+ \, d\mu - \alpha \int_X iv^- \, d\mu \\ &= \alpha \int_X f \, d\mu\end{aligned}$$

and similarly for  $\alpha = -1, \alpha = i$ . ■

As usual, we have a triangle-type inequality for complex integration.

**Thm. 1.5.4** *Let  $f \in L^1(\mu)$ . Then  $\left| \int_X f \, d\mu \right| \leq \int_X |f| \, d\mu$ .*

**PROOF** Let  $z = \int_X f \, d\mu$ . Let  $\alpha = \frac{|z|}{z}$  if  $z \neq 0$ , and  $\alpha = 1$  otherwise. Then  $\alpha \int_X f \, d\mu = |z|$ . Let  $\operatorname{Re}(\alpha \cdot f) \leq |\alpha \cdot f| \leq |f|$  since  $|\alpha| = 1$  so that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_X f \, d\mu \right| &= \alpha \cdot \int_X f \, d\mu \\ &= \int_X \alpha f \, d\mu \\ &= \int_X \operatorname{Re}(\alpha f) \, d\mu + i \int_X \operatorname{Im}(\alpha f) \, d\mu \\ &= \int_X \operatorname{Re}(\alpha f) \, d\mu \\ &\leq \int_X |f| \, d\mu \end{aligned}$$

since  $\alpha \int_X f \, d\mu \in \mathbb{R}$ , we have  $\int_X \operatorname{Im}(\alpha f) \, d\mu = 0$ . ■

## 1.5.2 Lebesgue's Dominated Convergence Theorem

The next theorem is a natural generalization of the Monotone Convergence Theorem to complex measurable functions (which do not have a standard partial ordering). Note this follows from the Monotone Convergence Theorem since we apply Fatou's Lemma. The Monotone Convergence Theorem is a special case of this theorem.

**Thm. 1.5.5 (Lebesgue's Dominated Convergence)** *Let  $f_n : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be measurable functions such that  $f = \lim f_n$ . Assume that there is some  $g \in L^1(\mu)$  such that  $|f_n| \leq g$  for all  $n$ . Then  $f \in L^1(\mu)$  and  $\int_X f \, d\mu = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_X f_n \, d\mu$ .*

**PROOF** We certainly know that  $f$  is measurable, and  $|f| \leq g$ , so  $f \in L^1(\mu)$ . As well, the triangle inequality show that  $|f - f_n| \leq 2g$  for any  $n$ . We will see that  $0 \leq \liminf \int_X |f - f_n| \, d\mu \leq \limsup \int_X |f - f_n| \, d\mu \leq 0$ . Assuming that this holds, then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_X |f - f_n| \, d\mu = 0$  and

$$0 \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \int_X f \, d\mu - \int_X f_n \, d\mu \right| \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_X |f - f_n| \, d\mu = 0$$

and the desired result follows directly.

The first two inequalities are obvious: we must show that  $\limsup \int_X |f_n| d\mu \leq 0$ . Firstly, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_X 2g d\mu &= \int_X \left( 2g - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |f - f_n| \right) d\mu \\
 &= \int_X \liminf (2g - |f - f_n|) d\mu \\
 &\leq \liminf \int_X (2g - |f - f_n|) d\mu && \text{By Fatou's Lemma} \\
 &= \int_X 2g + \liminf \left( - \int_X |f - f_n| d\mu \right) \\
 &= \int_X 2g - \limsup \int_X |f - f_n| d\mu
 \end{aligned}$$

and since  $\int_X 2g d\mu$  is finite, we subtract and  $\limsup \int_X |f - f_n| d\mu \leq 0$ . ■

**Ex. 1.5.6** Consider  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^n e^{-nx} dx$ . Define

$$f_n(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-nx} & \text{if } x \leq n \\ 0 & \text{if } x > n \end{cases}$$

Note that  $f_n(x) \leq g(x) = e^{-x}$  and  $\int_0^\infty e^{-x} dx < \infty$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^n e^{-nx} dx &= \int_{[0, \infty)} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) dx \\
 &= \int_{[0, \infty)} \chi_{\{0\}} dx \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

**Rmk. 1.5.7** For the Riemann integral, we have  $\int \lim f_n = \lim \int f_n$  as long as the convergence of  $f_n$  is uniform.



# Chapter 2

## Construction of Regular Measures

### 2.1 The Vector Space $L^1(\mu)$

#### 2.1.1 Almost Everywhere

Let  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$  be a measure space.

**Def'n. 2.1.1** Let  $E \in \mathcal{M}$ . We say that property  $P$  holds almost everywhere in  $E$  if there exists  $N \in \mathcal{M}$  such that  $\mu(N) = 0$ ,  $N \subset E$ , and  $P$  holds in  $E \setminus N$ .

**Ex. 2.1.2** Two functions  $f, g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  are equal almost everywhere if  $\exists N \subset X$  such that  $\mu(N) = 0$  and  $f(x) = g(x)$  on  $X \setminus N$ .

**Prop. 2.1.3** Let  $E \subset X$  be such that  $A_1, A_2, B_1, B_2 \in \mathcal{M}$  for which  $\int_X f d\mu = \int_X g d\mu$ . Then  $A_1 \subset E \subset B_1$ ,  $A_2 \subset E \subset B_2$ , and  $\mu(B_1 \setminus A_1) = 0$  and  $\mu(B_2 \setminus A_2) = 0$ . Then  $\mu(A_1) = \mu(A_2)$ .

**PROOF** Note that  $A_1 \setminus A_2 \subset E \setminus A_2 \subset B_2 \setminus A_2$ . As well,  $\mu(A_1 \setminus A_2) \leq \mu(B_2 \setminus A_2) = 0$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\mu(A_1) &= \mu(A_1 \cap A_2^c) + \mu(A_1 \cap A_2) = \mu(A_1 \setminus A_2) + \mu(A_1 \cap A_2) = \mu(A_1 \cap A_2) \\ \mu(A_2) &= \mu(A_2 \cap A_1^c) + \mu(A_2 \cap A_1) = \mu(A_2 \setminus A_1) + \mu(A_2 \cap A_1) = \mu(A_1 \cap A_2)\end{aligned}$$

**Prop. 2.1.4** Let  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$  be a measure space. Let

$$\mathcal{M}^* = \{E \subset X : \exists A, B \in \mathcal{M}, A \subset E \subset B, \mu(B \setminus A) = 0\}$$

Then  $\mathcal{M}^*$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra, and  $\mu^* : \mathcal{M}^* \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$  defined by  $\mu^*(E) = \mu(A)$ .

**PROOF** We show that  $\mathcal{M}^*$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra, and  $\mu$  is countably additive.

1.  $X \in \mathcal{M}$  so  $X \in \mathcal{M}^*$ .
2. If  $E \in \mathcal{M}^*$ , get  $A \subset E \subset B$  so  $B^c \subset E^c \subset A^c$ ,  $A^c, B^c \in \mathcal{M}$ . As well,  $\mu(A^c \setminus B^c) = \mu(A^c \cap B) = \mu(B \setminus A) = 0$ , so  $E^c \in \mathcal{M}^*$ .
3. If  $E_i \in \mathcal{M}^*$  is a countable collection, then get  $A_i \subset E_i \subset B_i$ . Fix  $A = \bigcup A_i$  and  $B = \bigcup B_i$ . Then  $B \setminus A = \bigcup (B_i \setminus A) \subset \bigcup (B_i \setminus A_i)$  so  $\mu(B \setminus A) = 0$  and  $A \subset \bigcup E_i \subset B$  so  $\bigcup E_i \in \mathcal{M}^*$ .
4. Let  $E_i$  be disjoint,  $E = \bigcup E_i$ , and  $E_i \in \mathcal{M}^*$ . Get  $A_i \subset E_i \subset B_i$ . Then  $\mu^*(\bigcup E_i) = \mu(\bigcup A_i) = \sum \mu(A_i) = \sum \mu(E_i)$ . ■

**Def'n. 2.1.5** We call the space  $(X, \mathcal{M}^*, \mu^*)$  the **completion** of  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$ .

In particular, every subset of a set with measure 0 is measurable.

## 2.1.2 $L^1(\mu)$ as a normed space

**Prop. 2.1.6** 1. Let  $f : X \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$  be measurable,  $E \in \mathcal{M}$ . If  $\int_E f \, d\mu = 0$ , then  $f = 0$  almost everywhere in  $E$ .

2. Let  $f \in L^1(\mu)$ . If  $\int_E f \, d\mu = 0$  for all  $E \in \mathcal{M}$ , then  $f = 0$  almost everywhere in  $X$ .

**PROOF** 1. Let  $A_n = \{x \in E : f(x) > 1/n\}$ , so that

$$\frac{1}{n}\mu(A_n) \leq \int_{A_n} f \, d\mu \leq \int_E f \, d\mu = 0 \implies \mu(A_n) = 0$$

for all  $n$ . But then

$$N = \{x \in E : f(x) > 0\} = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \implies \mu(N) \leq \sum \mu(A_n) = 0$$

2. Write  $f = u + iv$  so that

$$\int_E f \, d\mu = \int_E u^+ \, d\mu - \int_E u^- \, d\mu + i \int_E v^+ \, d\mu - i \int_E v^- \, d\mu$$

We show that  $u^+ = 0$  almost everywhere (the other terms are identical). Let  $E = \{x \in X : u(x) \geq 0\}$ , so  $\int_E f \, d\mu = 0$ , so its real part is zero and  $\int_E u^+ \, d\mu = 0$ . Thus  $u^+ = 0$  almost everywhere in  $E$ . The result follows. ■

**Def'n. 2.1.7** A **normed space** over  $\mathbb{R}$  is a vector space  $V$  over  $\mathbb{R}$  with a map  $\|\cdot\| : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that

(i)  $x \in V \implies \|x\| \geq 0$  and  $\|x\| = 0$  if and only if  $x = 0$ .

(ii)  $\|\lambda x\| \leq |\lambda| \|x\|$  for all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $x \in V$

(iii)  $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$  for all  $x, y \in V$ .

Now  $L^1(\mu) = \{f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \text{ measurable and } \int_X |f| \, d\mu < \infty\}$ . We certainly have that  $L^1(\mu)$  is a vector space. We wish to define  $\|f\| = \int_X |f| \, d\mu$ . The only problem is that

$$\int_X |f| \, d\mu = 0 \implies f = 0 \text{ almost everywhere}$$

To deal with this problem, we quotient our space by the equivalence relation  $f \sim g$  if and only if  $f = g$  almost everywhere. With this in mind, define  $V = L^1(\mu)/\sim$  denote the set of equivalence classes. We need to define  $+, \cdot, \|\cdot\|$  on  $V$ . Let  $[f]$  denote the class of  $f$ . Then

$$[f] + [g] = [f + g]$$

$$c[f] = [cf]$$

$$\|[f]\| = \int_X |f| \, d\mu$$

Let's verify that this is well defined: if  $f_1 \sim f_2$  and  $g_1 \sim g_2$ , then  $f_1 + g_1 \sim f_2 + g_2$ . Indeed, this is true since the sums are equal except perhaps on a union of measure zero sets, so equality holds almost everywhere. The second definition is obviously well defined. Finally, by a homework assignment,  $\|[f]\|$  is also well defined. Now, let's verify the properties of the norm.



- (i) Certainly  $\|f\| \geq 0$ , and  $\|f\| = 0$  implies  $f = 0$  almost everywhere, so  $[f] = [0] = 0$ .
- (ii) We have  $\|\lambda \cdot f\| = \int_X |\lambda f| d\mu = |\lambda| \int_X |f| d\mu = |\lambda| \|f\|$
- (iii) We have  $\|f + g\| = \int_X |f + g| d\mu \leq \int_X |f| + \int_X |g| = \|f\| + \|g\|$

In  $L^1(\mu)$ , two functions are the same if they are equal almost everywhere. However, this can be a challenge: if  $f \in L^1(\mu)$  and  $x_0 \in X$ , then  $f(x_0)$  is not well defined. For example, it is challenging to give meaning to boundary conditions of functions.

### 2.1.3 Construction of the Lebesgue measure

We begin from the Riemann integral  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$  for a continuous function  $f$ . Define  $\text{supp } f = \overline{\{x \in \mathbb{R} : f(x) \neq 0\}}$ . For continuous functions with compact (bounded) support, define  $\Lambda f = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x) dx$  is the Riemann integral, which is a functional. In particular,

$$\text{measure}((a, b)) = \text{length}((a, b)) = \sup\{\Lambda f : f \text{ is continuous, compact support, } 0 \leq f \leq 1, \text{supp } f \subset (a, b)\}$$

We will extend this to a  $\sigma$ -algebra containing the Borel sets. In order to define these, for open sets,  $\mu(G) = \sup\{\Lambda f : 0 \leq f \leq 1, \text{supp } f \subset G\}$ , where  $\Lambda$  is the Riemann integral. For an arbitrary set,  $\mu(E) = \inf\{\mu(G) : E \subset G \in \tau\}$ . However, this “measure” is not countably additive: the  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{P}(X)$  is too large (Vitali’s construction). Instead, we will define  $\mathcal{M} = \{E \subset X : E \text{ is locally regular}\}$ , which means that  $E \cap K$  is regular for any  $K$  compact, and regular means that the outer measure and inner measure are equal. The outer measure is  $\sup\{\mu(K) : K \subset E \text{ compact}\} = \mu(E)$ .

## 2.2 The Riesz Representation Theorem

In this section, we assume that  $(X, \tau)$  be a locally compact, Hausdorff topological space.

**Def’n. 2.2.1** We denote the space of continuous functions with compact support by  $C_c(X) = \{f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid f \in C(X), \text{supp } f \text{ is compact}\}$ .

**Def’n. 2.2.2** Let  $\Lambda : C_c(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a **linear functional**, i.e.  $\Lambda(cf + g) = c\Lambda f + \Lambda g$ .  $\Lambda$  is called a **positive linear functional** if  $f \geq 0 \Rightarrow \Lambda f \geq 0$ .

By positivity, if  $f \leq g$ , then  $g - f \geq 0$  so  $\Lambda g - \Lambda f = \Lambda(g - f) \geq 0$  and  $\Lambda f \leq \Lambda g$ .

**Def’n. 2.2.3** We say that  $K < f$  if  $K$  is compact and  $f \in C_c(X)$ ,  $0 \leq f \leq 1$  implies that  $x \in K \Rightarrow f(x) = 1$ . We say that  $f < G$  if  $G$  is open,  $f \in C_c(X)$ ,  $0 \leq f \leq 1$ , and  $\text{supp } f \subset G$ .

**Lemma 2.2.4 (Urysohn)** Let  $G \in \tau$ ,  $K \subset G$  compact. Then there exists  $f \in C_c(X)$  such that  $K < f < G$ .

PROOF Will do later. ■

**Lemma 2.2.5 (Partition of Unity)** Let  $G_1, G_2, \dots, G_n \in \tau$ , and let  $K \subset G_1 \cup \dots \cup G_n$  be compact. Then there are functions  $h_i \in C_c(X)$  such that  $h_i < G_i$  and  $K < \sum h_i$ .

PROOF Also will do later. ■

How can we create a positive linear functional on  $C_c(X)$ ? If  $\mu$  is a measure, and functions on  $C_c(X)$  are measurable, then  $\Lambda f = \int_X f \, d\mu$  is a positive linear functional. The representation theorem says that there are no other examples.

**Thm. 2.2.6 (Riesz Representation)** *Let  $(X, \tau)$  be as above. If  $\Lambda : C_c(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a positive linear functional, then there exists a unique measure space  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$  such that  $\Lambda f = \int_X f \, d\mu$  for any  $f \in C_c(X)$ ,  $\mathcal{M} \supset \tau$ , and*

- (i)  $\mu(E) = \inf\{\mu(G) : E \subset G \text{ open}\}$  for all  $E \in \mathcal{M}$ .
- (ii)  $\mu(E) = \sup\{\mu(K) : K \subset E \text{ compact}\}$  for all  $E \in \mathcal{M}$  with  $\mu(E) < \infty$ .
- (iii)  $\mu(K) < \infty$  for any  $K$  compact.
- (iv)  $\mathcal{M}$  is complete.

First, let's get some definitions out of the way. Fix the notation as above.

**Def'n. 2.2.7** *Fix a Borel measure  $\mu$ . The **Lebesgue outer measure** is defined  $\mu(E) = \inf\{\mu(G) : E \subset G \in \tau\}$ .*

**Def'n. 2.2.8** *We say that  $E \subset X$  is **regular** if  $\mu(E) = \sup\{\mu(K) : K \subset E \text{ compact}\}$ . Similarly,  $E \subset X$  is **locally regular** for every compact  $K$ ,  $K \cap E$  is regular.*

**Claim 0: Definition of  $\mu$  and  $\mathcal{M}$ ; completeness of  $\mathcal{M}$ .**

PROOF For an open set  $G \in \tau$ , let  $\mu(G) = \sup\{\Lambda f : f < G\}$ . Then  $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$  and  $G_1 \subset G_2$  implies that  $\mu(G_1) \leq \mu(G_2)$ . Then extend  $\mu$  to arbitrary  $E \subset X$  as an outer measure. Now let  $\mathcal{M} = \{E \subset X : E \text{ is locally regular}\}$ . Note that  $\mathcal{M}$  contains compact sets, since they are regular. This is direct from the definition, since  $\mu(F) \leq \mu(K)$  for any compact  $F \subseteq K$  and the supremum occurs exactly at  $K$ .

As well,  $\mathcal{M}$  is complete: let  $E \in \mathcal{M}$ ,  $\mu(E) = 0$  and  $A \subset E$ . We want to show that  $A \in \mathcal{M}$ . Let  $K$  be an arbitrary compact set; then  $\mu(K \cap A) = 0$ . Now if  $F \subset K \cap A$  is compact,  $\mu(F) = 0$ . Thus  $\sup\{\mu(F) : F \subset K \cap A \text{ compact}\} = 0$ , so  $K \cap A$  is regular and  $A$  is locally regular and an element of  $\mathcal{M}$ . ■

**Claim 1:  $\mu$  is  $\sigma$ -subadditive. In other words, if  $E_1, E_2, \dots$  are arbitrary subsets of  $X$ , then**

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(E_i)$$

PROOF If  $\mu(E_j) = \infty$  for some  $j$ , then we are done. Thus assume  $\mu(E_j) < \infty$  for all  $j$ . Let  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\gamma < \mu\left(\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} E_j\right)$  be arbitrary. We will show that  $\gamma \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(E_i)$ .

Let  $G_j \supset E_j$  be open, such that  $\mu(G_j) \leq \mu(E_j) + \frac{\epsilon}{2^j}$ . Then

$$\gamma < \mu\left(\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} E_j\right) \leq \mu\left(\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} G_j\right)$$

so there exists some  $f < \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} G_j$  so  $\gamma < \Lambda f$  by the definition of  $\mu$  on open sets. Let  $K = \text{supp } f$  so that

$$K \subset \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} G_j \implies K \subset \bigcup_{j=1}^n G_j$$

since  $\{G_j\}$  are an open cover for  $K$  and  $K$  is compact. Get a partition of unity  $h_j < G_j$  for each  $j = 1, \dots, n$  which satisfies  $\sum_{j=1}^n h_j(x) = 1$  for any  $x \in K$ . Then  $f \cdot h_j < G_j$  and  $f = f \cdot \sum_{j=1}^n h_j$  so that

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma < \Lambda f &= \Lambda \left( \sum_{j=1}^n f h_j \right) = \sum_{j=1}^n \Lambda(f h_j) \\ &\leq \sum_{j=1}^n \mu(G_j) \leq \sum_{j=1}^n \left( \mu(E_j) + \frac{\epsilon}{2j} \right) \\ &\leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \left( \mu(E_j) \right) + \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

which holds for all  $\epsilon > 0$  if and only if  $\gamma \leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \mu(E_j)$ . This holds for any  $\gamma \leq \mu\left(\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} E_j\right)$  and the result follows. ■

**Claim 2: If  $K < f < G$ , then  $\mu(K) \leq \Lambda f \leq \mu(G)$ . Thus if  $K$  is compact,  $\mu(K) < \infty$ .**

**PROOF** It is direct from the definition of  $\mu$  that  $\Lambda f \leq \mu(G)$ . Thus let  $\gamma < \mu(K)$  and  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ . Let  $V_\alpha := \{x \in X : f(x) > \alpha\}$  and  $K \subset V_\alpha$  since  $f \equiv 1$  on  $K$ . Since  $f$  is continuous,  $V_\alpha = f^{-1}((\alpha, \infty))$  is the preimage of an open set and thus open.

Now  $\gamma < \mu(K) \leq \mu(V_\alpha)$ , so we have some  $h < V_\alpha$  such that  $\gamma < \Lambda h$ . Then  $\alpha \cdot h \leq f$  since in  $V_\alpha$ ,  $\alpha \cdot h \leq \alpha < f$  and in  $V_\alpha^c$ ,  $\alpha \cdot h = 0 \leq f$ . Now  $\alpha \cdot \Lambda h = \Lambda(\alpha h) \leq \Lambda f$  so  $\gamma < \Lambda f / \alpha$ . This is true for all  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  and  $\gamma \leq \Lambda f$ . Since this holds for all  $\gamma < \mu(K)$ , we have  $\mu(K) \leq \Lambda f$  as required.

Now, let  $K$  be compact so that  $\mu(K) \leq \Lambda f$  for all  $K < f$ . Let  $\epsilon > 0$  and get  $G \in \tau$ ,  $G \supset K$  such that  $\mu(G) \leq \mu(K) + \epsilon$ . Then by Urysohn's lemma, get some  $K < f < G$  so that  $\mu(K) \leq \Lambda f \leq \mu(G)$ , so  $\Lambda f \leq \mu(K) + \epsilon$  and the result holds. Now suppose  $K$  is compact, so  $\mu(K) = \inf\{\mu(G) : K \subset G \in \tau\}$ . By Urysohn's Lemma, get  $f$  with  $K < f < G$ , and by (1.),  $\mu(K) \leq \Lambda f \leq \mu(G)$  so that  $\mu(K) = \inf\{\Lambda f : K < f\}$ . As a corollary, we have that  $\mu(K) < \infty$  (since  $\Lambda$  is a positive linear functional). Besides demonstrating one of our properties, this provides a convenient way of computing the measure of compact sets. ■

**Claim 3: If  $G \in \tau$ , then  $G$  is regular.**

**PROOF** We first show that if  $0 \leq f \leq 1$ , then  $\Lambda f \leq \mu(\text{supp } f)$ . Let  $G \supset \text{supp } f$  be open, so  $f < G$  and  $\mu(G) \geq \Lambda f$ . Then  $\mu(\text{supp } f) = \inf\{\mu(G) : E \subset G \in \tau\} \geq \Lambda f$ .

Now we want to show  $\mu(G) = \sup\{\mu(K) : K \subset G \text{ compact}\}$ . It suffices to show that  $\sup\{\mu(K) : K \subset G \text{ compact}\} \geq \mu(G)$ , so let  $\gamma < \mu(G)$  and we want  $K$  compact so that  $\mu(K) > \gamma$ . Let  $f < G$  be such that  $\Lambda f > \gamma$ . Then  $\mu(\text{supp } f) > \gamma$  by the previous claim is compact, as desired. ■

**Claim 4: Suppose  $E_1, E_2, \dots$  are disjoint regular. Then**

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(E_i)$$

**If we assume additionally that  $\mu(\cup E_i) < \infty$ , then  $\cup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i$  is regular.**

PROOF We first prove this for two compact sets. Thus let  $K_1, K_2$  be disjoint compact sets. Then  $K_2^c$  is open and  $K_2^c \supset K_1$ . By Urysohn's lemma, get  $f \in C_c(X)$  so that  $K_1 < f < K_2^c$  and  $x \in K_1$  implies  $f(x) = 1$ , and  $x \in K_2$  implies  $f(x) = 0$ .

Since  $K_1 \cup K_2$  is compact, for all  $\epsilon > 0$ , get  $g < K_1 \cup K_2$  such that  $\mu(K_1 \cup K_2) + \epsilon > \Lambda g$  (by Claim 2). Furthermore,  $K_1 < f \cdot g$  and  $K_2 < (1-f) \cdot g$ . Thus  $\mu(K_1) + \mu(K_2) \leq \Lambda(f \cdot g) + \Lambda((1-f) \cdot g) = \Lambda g < \mu(K_1 \cup K_2) + \epsilon$  which is true for any  $\epsilon > 0$ . Thus  $\mu(K_1) + \mu(K_2) \leq \mu(K_1 \cup K_2) \leq \mu(K_1) + \mu(K_2)$  and equality holds, as required.

Now, by Claim 1, it remains to show that  $\mu(\cup E_i) \geq \sum \mu(E_i)$ . If  $\mu(\cup E_i) = +\infty$ , we are done, so assume  $\mu(\cup E_i) < +\infty$ . Since the  $E_i$  are regular, there is a compact set  $H_i \subset E_i$  so that  $\mu(H_i) > \mu(E_i) - \frac{\epsilon}{2^i}$  for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let  $K_n = \cup_{i=1}^n H_i$ . Now

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i\right) \geq \mu(K_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mu(H_i) > \sum_{i=1}^n \mu(E_i) - \epsilon$$

Taking the limit as  $n$  goes to infinity gives  $\mu(\cup E_i) \geq \sum \mu(E_i) - \epsilon$  for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , so we are done.

Let's now see the second part. For any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists some  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  so that

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^N \mu(E_i) + \epsilon \leq \mu(K_N) + 2\epsilon$$

with  $K_N$  compact defined in the same way as above. Since  $\epsilon > 0$  was arbitrary, the result follows directly. ■

**Claim 5:  $E$  is regular and  $\mu(E) < \infty$  if and only if for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $K$  compact,  $G$  open so that  $K \subset E \subset G$  and  $\mu(G \setminus K) < \epsilon$ .**

PROOF There exists by regularity (and the definition of the outer measure)  $K \subset E \subset G$  so that

$$\mu(E) - \frac{\epsilon}{2} \leq \mu(K) \leq \mu(G) \leq \mu(E) + \epsilon/2$$

As well,  $\mu(G) = \mu(K \cup (G \setminus K)) = \mu(K) + \mu(G \setminus K)$  and  $\mu(G \setminus K) = \mu(G) - \mu(K) < \epsilon$ .

Conversely, let  $K \subset E \subset G$  and  $\mu(G \setminus K) < \epsilon$ . Then

$$\mu(E) \leq \mu(G) = \mu(K) + \mu(G \setminus K) < \mu(K) + \epsilon$$

so  $\mu(E) < \infty$  and  $\mu(E) = \sup\{\mu(K) : K \subset E \text{ compact}\}$ , so  $E$  is regular. ■

**Claim 6:**

1. Let  $A, B$  be regular with  $\mu(A), \mu(B) < \infty$ . Then  $A \setminus B, A \cup B, A \cap B$  are regular and have finite measure.
2. If  $\mu(E) < \infty$ , then  $E$  is regular if and only if  $E$  is locally regular.
3. If  $E_i$  are regular, then  $\cup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i$  is regular.

PROOF Recall that for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $K_1 \subset A \subset G_1$  and  $K_2 \subset B \subset G_2$  such that  $\mu(G_1 \setminus K_1) < \epsilon$  and  $\mu(G_2 \setminus K_2) < \epsilon$ .

1. Note that  $A \setminus B \subset G_1 \setminus K_2 \subset (G_1 \setminus K_1) \cup (K_1 \setminus G_2) \cup (G_2 \setminus K_2)$ , where  $K_1 \setminus G_2$  is compact. Thus  $\mu(A \setminus B) \leq \epsilon + \mu(K_1 \setminus G_1) + \epsilon < \infty$  and  $\mu(A \setminus B) - 2\epsilon \leq \mu(K_1 \setminus G_2)$  so  $A \setminus B$  is regular. Finally since  $A \cup B = (A \setminus B) \cup B$ ,  $A \cup B$  is regular and  $\mu(A \cup B) < \infty$ . Thus  $A \cap B = (A \cup B) \setminus ((A \setminus B) \cup (B \setminus A))$  is regular and has measure less than infinity.
2. Let  $\mu(E) < \infty$ , and first suppose  $E$  is regular. Let  $K$  be a compact set. Then  $\mu(K) < \infty$  and  $K$  is regular, so  $E \cap K$  is regular (by 1.) so  $E$  is locally regular.

Conversely, suppose  $E$  is locally regular. Let  $\epsilon > 0$  and  $G \supset E$  be open so that  $\mu(G) < \mu(E) + 1 < \infty$ . As well,  $G$  is regular, so there exists  $K$  with  $\mu(G) < \mu(K) + \epsilon/2$ . Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(E) &= \mu((E \setminus K) \cup (E \cap K)) \leq \mu(E \setminus K) + \mu(E \cap K) \\ &\leq \mu(G \setminus K) + \mu(E \cap K) \\ &< \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \mu(E \cap K) \end{aligned}$$

so  $\mu(E \cap K) > \mu(E) - \epsilon/2$ . Then since  $E$  is locally regular,  $E \cap K$  is regular and get a compact set  $L \subset E \cap K$  such that  $\mu(L) > \mu(E \cap K) - \epsilon/2 > \mu(E) - \epsilon$ . This holds for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , so  $E$  is regular.

3. Set  $F_1 = E_1$ ,  $F_n = E_n \setminus \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} E_i \right)$  so  $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} F_i = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i$  and the  $F_i$  are disjoint. By Claim 4,  $\bigcup F_i$  is regular and  $F_i$  are regular (TODO: finiteness requirement?) ■

**Claim 7:**  $\mathcal{M}$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra,  $\mathcal{M} \subset \tau$ , and  $\mu$  is countably additive on  $\mathcal{M}$ .

**PROOF** We demonstrate the requirements:

- Let  $A \in \mathcal{M}$ : we see that  $A^c \in \mathcal{M}$ . If  $K$  is an arbitrary compact set, then  $A^c \cap K = K \setminus (A \cap K)$  is regular by Claim 7 since  $K$  is regular (and thus locally regular), and  $A \cap K$  is regular since  $A$  is locally regular.
- Now let  $A_n \in \mathcal{M}$ ; we will show that  $A := \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \in \mathcal{M}$ . Indeed, if  $K$  is an arbitrary compact set, then

$$A \cap K = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (A_n \cap K)$$

is regular by Claim 6.

- We now show  $\mathcal{M} \supset \tau$ . It suffices by closure under complements to show that all closed sets are in  $\mathcal{M}$ . If  $A$  is closed, then  $A \cap K$  is compact and thus regular, so  $A \in \mathcal{M}$ .
- Finally, let  $E_i \in \mathcal{M}$  be locally regular and disjoint; it suffices to show that

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i\right) \geq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(E_i)$$

If  $\mu(E_i) = +\infty$ , we are done, so assume  $\mu(E_i) < \infty$  for all  $i$ . But then by Claim 6.2, the  $E_i$  are regular, so the result holds by Claim 6.3. ■

**Claim 8:**  $\int_X f d\mu = \int f d\mu$  for all  $f \in C_c(X)$ .

PROOF We are finally almost done: we just need to show that  $\mu$ , as defined, actually represents  $\Lambda$ . Let's start by simplifying  $f$  as much as possible.

- It suffices to do this for real valued functions. If  $f = u + iv$ , then  $\Lambda f = \Lambda u + i\Lambda v = \int_X u \, d\mu + i \int_X v \, d\mu = \int_X f \, d\mu$ .
- It suffices to show  $\Lambda f \leq \int_X f \, d\mu$ . If this holds for all  $f$ , then  $\Lambda(-f) \leq \int_X -f \, d\mu$  so that  $-\Lambda f \leq -\int_X f \, d\mu$  and  $\Lambda f \geq \int_X f \, d\mu$  and equality holds.
- It is enough to prove that  $\Lambda f \leq \int_X f \, d\mu$  for  $f \geq 0$ . Assuming so, let  $f$  be arbitrary and let  $K = \text{supp } f$  be compact, and  $a = \min f$ ,  $b = \max f$ . The general idea of the proof is to translate  $f$  by the value  $|a|$  so that it is positive. However, we cannot do this directly since  $f + |a|$  is not compactly supported; however, we can use Urysohn's Lemma to translate it on its support. Now, let  $\epsilon > 0$  be arbitrary. Fix  $K = \text{supp } f$  and get  $G \supset K$  so that  $\mu(G) \leq \mu(K) + \epsilon$ . By Urysohn's lemma, there exists  $h \in C_c(X)$  so that  $K \subset h \subset G$ . Thus  $|a| \cdot h(x) = |a|$  for all  $x \in K$ , so  $F := f + |a|h \geq 0$  since  $f \geq -|a|$ . Now by assumption,

$$\Lambda F \leq \int_X F \, d\mu = \int_X f \, d\mu + |a| \int_X h \, d\mu$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda f &= \Lambda F - |a|\Lambda h \\ &\leq \int_X f \, d\mu + |a| \int_X h \, d\mu - |a|\Lambda h \\ &\leq \int_X f \, d\mu + |a| \left( \int_X h \, d\mu - \Lambda h \right) \end{aligned}$$

We now want to show  $|\int_X h \, d\mu - \Lambda h| < \epsilon$ , and the result will follow. By Claim 2,  $\mu(K) \leq \Lambda h \leq \mu(G)$ . As well,  $\int_X h \, d\mu \leq \mu(G)$  since  $h \leq \chi_G$ . Thus since  $h \geq 0$ , by assumption

$$\mu(K) \leq \Lambda h \leq \int_X h \, d\mu \leq \mu(G)$$

and the result follows since  $\mu(G) - \mu(K) < \epsilon$ . Thus  $\Lambda f \leq \int f + |a|\epsilon$  for all  $\epsilon > 0$ , so  $\Lambda f \leq \int f$  as desired.

It now remains to show  $\Lambda f \leq \int_X f \, d\mu$  for  $f \geq 0$ . Since  $f = Mf/M$  where  $M = \max f$ , we can assume  $0 \leq f \leq 1$ . Fix  $K = \text{supp } f$ , let  $\epsilon > 0$  be arbitrary. Let  $0 = c_0 < c_1 < c_2 < \dots < c_n = 1$  with  $c_k - c_{k-1} < \epsilon$  for all  $k$  and  $\mu(f^{-1}(c_k)) = 0$  for all  $k = 1, \dots, n-1$ . The existence of such a set follows from Assignment 6. Let  $K_j = K \cap f^{-1}([c_{j-1}, c_j])$  for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$  and  $L_j = K \cap f^{-1}([c_{j-1}, c_j])$  for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ .

For each  $K_j$  and any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\tau \ni G_j \supset K_j$  such that  $\mu(G_j) \leq \mu(K_j) + \frac{\epsilon}{2j}$ . By Urysohn's lemma, get  $h_j$  so that  $K_j \subset h_j \subset G_j$ . Then  $f \leq \sum_{j=1}^n c_j h_j$ : if  $x \in K^c$ ,  $f = 0$ . Otherwise, if  $x \in K$ , then  $x \in K_j$  for some  $j$ . Since  $h_j = 1$  and  $f(x) \leq c_j$  on  $K_j$ , we have  $f(x) \leq c_j = c_j h_j(x) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n c_i h_i$ .

Now, there is just a lot of algebra.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Lambda f &\leq \Lambda \left( \sum_{j=1}^n c_j h_j \right) = \sum_{j=1}^n c_j \Lambda h_j && \text{(linearity and positivity)} \\
 &\leq \sum_{j=1}^n c_j \mu(G_j) && (h_j \prec G_j) \\
 &\leq \sum_{j=1}^n c_j \mu(K_j) + \sum_{j=1}^n c_j \frac{\epsilon}{2^j} && \text{(choice of } K_j) \\
 &\leq \sum_{j=1}^n (c_{j-1} + c_j - c_{j-1}) \mu(L_j) + \epsilon && (L_j \subset K_j, |c_j| \leq 1) \\
 &\leq \sum_{j=1}^n c_{j-1} \mu(L_j) + \epsilon \cdot \mu(K) + \epsilon && (L_j \text{ disjoint, } c_j - c_{j-1} < \epsilon)
 \end{aligned}$$

Now define  $g$  so  $g(x) = c_{j-1}$  if  $x \in L_j$ , and  $g \equiv 0$  outside  $K$ . Then  $g$  is a simple function, so that the summation above is precisely the integral of  $g$ . Furthermore,  $g \leq f$  so  $\int_X g \, d\mu \leq \int_X f \, d\mu$  and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Lambda f &\leq \int_X g \, d\mu + \epsilon + \epsilon \mu(K) \\
 &\leq \int_X f \, d\mu + \epsilon(1 + \mu(K))
 \end{aligned}$$

and, since  $\mu(K) < \infty$ , because this holds for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , we are done! ■

## 2.3 Regularity Properties of Borel Measures

At the beginning of the Riesz Representation Theorem, we introduced a variety of conditions which we will summarize here independently.

**Def'n. 2.3.1** A measure defined on the family of Borel sets is called a **Borel measure**.

**Def'n. 2.3.2** Let  $\mu : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$  be a Borel measure.

1.  $E$  is called **outer regular** if  $\mu(E) = \inf\{\mu(G) : E \subset G \in \tau\}$ .
2.  $E$  is called **inner regular** if  $\mu(E) = \sup\{\mu(K) : K \subset E, K \text{ compact}\}$
3.  $\mu$  is called **regular** if every  $E \in \mathcal{B}$  is inner and outer regular.

The next condition is a finiteness condition: naturally, we like spaces that aren't too big.

**Def'n. 2.3.3** A set  $E \subset X$  is called  **$\sigma$ -compact** if  $E = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n$ , for  $E_n$  compact.

The sets in the next definition are standard in real analysis.

**Def'n. 2.3.4** A  $G_\delta$  set is one of the form  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$  with  $A_n$  open, and a  $F_\sigma$  set is one of the form  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n$  for  $B_n$  closed.

Measure spaces  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$  which satisfy these properties are particularly nice. To be precise, by “nice”, we have the following theorem:

**Thm. 2.3.5** Let  $X$  be a locally compact,  $\sigma$ -compact Hausdorff space. Let  $\mathcal{M} \supset \mathcal{B}$  be a  $\sigma$ -algebra,  $\mu : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$  be a measure such that

- (i)  $\mu(E) = \inf\{\mu(G) : E \subset G \in \tau\}$  (outer regularity)
- (ii)  $\mu(E) = \sup\{\mu(K) : K \subset E \text{ compact}\}$ ,  $\mu(E) < \infty$  (inner regularity for finite measure sets)
- (iii)  $\mu(K) < \infty$  for  $K$  compact (finite on compact sets)

Then

1. For all  $E \in \mathcal{M}$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $F$  closed and  $G$  open so that  $F \subset E \subset G$  and  $\mu(G \setminus F) < \epsilon$ .
2.  $\mu$  is regular
3. For all  $E \in \mathcal{M}$ , there exists a  $F_\sigma$  set  $A$  and a  $G_\delta$  set  $B$  so  $A \subset E \subset B$  and  $\mu(B \setminus A) = 0$ .

Thankfully, the proof is not too hard.

**PROOF** Since  $X$  is  $\sigma$ -compact, write  $X = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} K_n$ ,  $K_n$  compact.

1. By (iii), we have  $\mu(K_n \cap E) < \infty$ . Thus by (i), get  $G_n$  open so that  $G_n \supset K_n \cap E$  with  $\mu(G_n \setminus (K_n \cap E)) < \frac{\epsilon}{2^{n+1}}$ . Let  $G = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} G_n$  be open, so that

$$G \setminus E \subset \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} G_n \setminus (K_n \cap E)$$

and

$$\mu(G \setminus E) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu(G_n \setminus (K_n \cap E)) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

Repeat this for  $E^c$ : get an open set  $H$  such that  $\mu(H \setminus E^c) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ . Then  $F = H^c \subset E$  satisfies  $\mu(E \setminus F) = \mu(F^c \setminus E^c) = \mu(H \setminus E^c) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ . Thus  $\mu(G \setminus F) \leq \mu(G \setminus E) + \mu(E \setminus F) < \epsilon$ .

2.  $E$  is outer regular by (i). If  $\mu(E) < \infty$ , then  $E$  is inner regular by (ii), so  $E$  is regular; thus suppose  $\mu(E) = \infty$ .

Let  $F \subset E$  be given by 1, so that  $\mu(F) = +\infty$  (or  $\mu(E)$  would be finite). Note that  $H_n := \bigcup_{k=1}^n (F \cap K_k)$  is a compact set, so that  $H_n \subset F$ . Then  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} H_n = F$ , and  $\mu(H_n) \rightarrow \mu(F) = \infty$ . Thus  $\mu(E) = \sup\{\mu(K) : K \subset E \text{ compact}\}$ .

3. Apply 1 with  $\epsilon = 1/j$  for  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then there exists  $F_j \subset E \subset G_j$  so  $\mu(G_j \setminus F_j) < \frac{1}{j}$ . Define

$$A = \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} F_j, \quad B = \bigcap_{j=1}^{\infty} G_j$$

Then  $A \subset E \subset B$  and  $\mu(B \setminus A) \leq \mu(G_j \setminus F_j) < \frac{1}{j}$  for any  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ , so  $\mu(B \setminus A) = 0$ . ■

As a corollary to this, if we assume that  $X$  is a locally compact and  $\sigma$ -compact space and  $\Lambda$  is a positive linear functional on  $C_c(X)$ , then the measure  $\mu$  representing  $\Lambda$  is a regular measure. More generally, if we assume that *every* open set is  $\sigma$ -compact, we have the following theorem:



**Thm. 2.3.6** Let  $X$  be locally compact and Hausdorff, and assume that every open set is  $\sigma$ -compact. Let  $\lambda : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  be a Borel measure such that  $\lambda(K) < \infty$  for any compact set  $K$ . Then  $\lambda$  is regular.

PROOF Let  $\Lambda f = \int_X f d\lambda$ . Then  $\Lambda : C_c(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a positive linear functional. By the Riesz representation theorem, there exists  $\mu : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  such that  $\int_X f d\mu = \Lambda f = \int_X f d\lambda$ . We see that  $\lambda = \mu$  on  $\mathcal{B}$ , so that  $\lambda$  is regular since  $\mu$  is.

We first prove this for open sets. Let  $G \in \tau$ ; then there exists compact  $K_n$  so  $G = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} K_n$ . By Urysohn's lemma, there exists  $f_i$  such that  $K_i \subset f_i \subset G$ . Let  $g_n = \max\{f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n\}$ , so  $g_n \in C_c(X)$ , and  $g_n \rightarrow \chi_G$  pointwise. But then applying Lebesgue's Monotone Convergence theorem (and the fact that  $\lambda = \mu$  on  $C_c(X)$ ),

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(G) &= \int_X \chi_G d\lambda = \int_X \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_n d\lambda = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_X g_n d\lambda \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_X g_n d\mu = \int_X \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_n d\mu = \int_X \chi_G d\mu \\ &= \mu(G) \end{aligned}$$

Now for any  $E \in \mathcal{B}$ , get  $F$  closed,  $G$  open so that  $F \subset E \subset G$  and  $\mu(G \setminus F) < \epsilon$ . Since  $G \setminus F$  is open,  $\lambda(G \setminus F) = \mu(G \setminus F) < \epsilon$  so  $\lambda(G) \leq \lambda(E) + \epsilon$ . Thus  $|\mu(E) - \lambda(E)| < \epsilon$  for all  $\epsilon > 0$  so  $\lambda(E) = \mu(E)$ . ■

## 2.4 Construction of the Lebesgue Measure

We have the Riesz Representation Theorem in a locally compact Hausdorff space.

**Def'n. 2.4.1** Let  $E \subset \mathbb{R}^k$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^k$ . Then  $E + x = \{y + x : y \in E\}$  is the **translate** of  $E$ .

**Def'n. 2.4.2** We define a  $k$ -cell in  $\mathbb{R}^k$  by  $W = I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_k$  where  $I_j$  is an interval. We also define  $\text{vol}(W) = (b_1 - a_1)(b_2 - a_1) \dots (b_k - a_k)$  where  $a_j, b_j$  are the endpoints of the  $I_j$ .

We know that  $\text{vol}(W + x) = \text{vol}(W)$  for any  $k$ -cell  $W$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**Thm. 2.4.3** There exists a  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{M}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^k$  and a complete measure  $m : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$  satisfying

1.  $m(W) = \text{vol}(W)$  for any  $k$ -cell  $W$ .
2.  $\mathcal{M} \supset \mathcal{B}$  and  $E \in \mathcal{M}$  if and only if there exists  $A \in \mathcal{F}_\sigma, B \in \mathcal{G}_\delta$  such that  $A \subset E \subset B$  and  $m(B \setminus A) = 0$ .
3.  $m$  is translation invariant:  $m(E + x) = m(E)$ .
4. If  $\mu$  is a translation invariant Borel measure, and  $\mu(K) < \infty$  for all  $K$  compact, then there exists  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  so that  $\mu(E) = c \cdot m(E)$ .
5. If  $T : \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$  is linear, then there exists  $\Delta(T) \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $m(T(E)) = \Delta(T) \cdot m(E)$ .

PROOF For  $f \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^k)$ , let  $\Lambda f = \int_{\mathbb{R}^k} f(x) dx$  (the Riemann Integral). Then  $\Lambda : C_c(\mathbb{R}^k) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a positive linear functional, so by the Riesz representation theorem, there exists a unique measure  $m$  and  $\mathcal{M} \supset \mathcal{B}$  so for all  $f \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^k)$ ,  $\Lambda f = \int_{\mathbb{R}^k} f dm$ . Let's prove that this measure has the appropriate properties:

1. By the definition of  $m$ , for an open  $k$ -cell  $W$ ,  $m(W) = \sup\{\Lambda f : f \leq \chi_W\} = \text{vol}(W)$  (by definition of the Riemann integral). If  $W$  is an arbitrary  $k$ -cell, then there exist open  $k$ -cells  $W_n$  such that  $W = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} W_n$ . Then  $\text{vol}(W_n) \rightarrow \text{vol}(W)$ , so  $m(W_n) \rightarrow m(W)$ , and  $\text{vol}(W_n) = m(W_n)$ . Thus  $\text{vol}(W) = m(W)$ .

Let  $\lambda$  be a Borel measure. If  $\lambda(W) = m(W)$  for all  $W$   $k$ -cells, then  $\lambda(E) = m(E)$  for all  $E \in \mathcal{B}$ . For any  $G$  open,  $G = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} W_n$  disjointly, so  $\lambda(G) = m(W)$ . Then since  $\lambda$  and  $m$  are regular,  $\lambda(E) = \inf\{\lambda(G) : E \subset G \in \tau\} = \inf\{m(G) : E \subset G \in \tau\} = m(E)$  for all  $E \in \mathcal{B}$ .

We now see (iii). Define  $\lambda(E) = m(E + X)$ . If  $W$  is a box, then  $\lambda(W) = m(W + x) = \text{vol}(W + x) = \text{vol}(W) = m(W)$ , so by the lemma,  $\lambda(E) = m(E)$  for all  $E \in \mathcal{B}$ . Then regularity implies  $\lambda(E) = m(E)$  for all measurable  $E$ .

We have (iv): let  $c = \mu([0, 1]^k) = c \cdot \text{vol}([0, 1]^k)$ . Translation invariance of  $\text{vol}$  implies  $\mu(W) = c \cdot \text{vol}(W)$ .

We have (v). If  $\dim(\text{Im}(T)) < k$ , then  $m(\text{Im}(T)) = 0$  so  $\Delta(T) = 0$ . Otherwise,  $T$  is a homeomorphism so  $T(E) \in \mathcal{B}$  for all  $E \in \mathcal{B}$ . Let  $\mu(E) = m(T(E))$ . Then  $\mu(E + x) = m(T(E) + T(x)) = m(T(E)) = \mu(E)$ , so  $\mu$  is translation invariant. Then by (iv),  $\mu(E) = c \cdot m(E)$  and set  $\Delta(T) = c$ . ■

**Thm. 2.4.4** If  $A \subset \mathbb{R}$  for which every set is Lebesgue measurable, then  $m(A) = 0$ .

**PROOF** Partition  $\mathbb{R}$  into cosets by  $\mathbb{Q}$ ; let  $E$  be a set containing exactly one element of each class (axiom of choice). Now if  $r \neq s$ ,  $r, s \in \mathbb{Q}$ , then  $(E + r) \cap (E + s) = \emptyset$ . But then  $\mathbb{R} = \bigcup_{r \in \mathbb{Q}} (E + r)$  disjointly. Given  $A$ , define  $A_t = A \cap (E + t)$  for  $t \in \mathbb{Q}$ . Now let  $K \subset A_t$ , so  $K \subset E + t$ . Since  $(K + r_1) \cap (K + r_2) = \emptyset$ , define  $H = \bigcup_{r \in \mathbb{Q} \cap [0, 1]} (K + r)$  is a countable disjoint union. But then  $\infty > m(H) = \sum_r m(K)$  so  $m(K) = 0$  and  $m(A_t) = 0$ . But then

$$\bigcup_{t \in \mathbb{Q}} A_t = \cup(A \cap (E + t)) = A \cap \left( \bigcup_{t \in \mathbb{Q}} (E + t) \right) = A \cap \mathbb{R} = A$$

so  $m(A) = 0$  as well. ■

## 2.5 Measurability and Continuity

Let  $X$  be a locally compact, Hausdorff topological space. Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be a  $\sigma$ -algebra,  $\mu$  be a measure satisfying the properties in the Riesz representation theorem. We then have

**Thm. 2.5.1 (Lusin)** Let  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a measurable function, with  $\text{supp } f \subset A$  and  $\mu(A) < \infty$ . Then for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $g \in C_c(X)$  such that  $\mu(\{x \in X : f(x) \neq g(x)\}) < \epsilon$  and  $\sup_X |G| \leq \sup_X |f|$ .

**PROOF** It suffices to assume that we can do this for compact  $K$ . Assuming so, let  $\mu(A) < \infty$  and get  $K \subset A$  compact with  $\mu(A \setminus K) < \epsilon/2$ . Define  $\hat{f}$  so that  $\hat{f} = f$  on  $K$  and  $\hat{f} = 0$  otherwise, so  $\text{supp } \hat{f} \subset K$  and  $f'$  is measurable. By assumption, get  $g$  so that  $\mu(\{x : g(x) \neq f'(x)\}) < \epsilon/2$ . Then

$$\mu(\{x \in X : f(x) \neq g(x)\}) \leq \mu(A \setminus K) + \mu(\{x \in K \cup A^c : \hat{f}(x) \neq g(x)\}) < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon$$

since  $f' = f$  on  $(A \setminus K)^c$ . Now, let's prove the statement for  $A$  compact.

We first assume that  $0 \leq f \leq 1$ . For  $t \geq 0$  and each  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ , define  $k_n(t) = \lfloor 2^n \cdot t \rfloor$ , so  $k_n(t) \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $k_n(t) \leq t \cdot 2^n < k_n(t) + 1$ . Then define

$$\phi_n(t) = \begin{cases} k_n(t) \cdot 2^{-n}, & 0 \leq t \leq n \\ n, & t > n \end{cases}$$

Let  $s_n(x) = \phi_n(f(x))$  and  $t_n = s_n - s_{n-1}$ . Observe that  $f = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} t_n$ ; I claim that  $2^n \cdot t_n \in \{0, 1\}$ . To see this, first note that

$$k_{n-1}(t) \leq t \cdot 2^{n-1} < k_{n-1}(t) + 1 \implies 2k_{n-1}(t) \leq t \cdot 2^n < 2k_{n-1}(t) + 2$$

so  $2k_{n-1}(t)$  is the largest even number below  $t \cdot 2^n$ . Thus  $k_n - 2k_{n-1} \in \{0, 1\}$  for all  $t$ . Since  $0 \leq f \leq 1$ , for all  $n$  and  $x$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} 2^n \cdot t_n(x) &= 2^n \cdot (\phi_n(f(x)) - \phi_{n-1}(f(x))) \\ &= 2^n (2^{-n} \cdot k_n(f(x)) - 2^{-(n-1)} \cdot k_{n-1}(f(x))) \\ &= k_n(f(x)) - 2k_{n-1}(f(x)) \in \{0, 1\} \end{aligned}$$

as required. Thus  $2^n \cdot t_n$  is the characteristic function of some set  $T_n \subset A$ , so  $\mu(T_n) < \infty$ .

Let  $V \supset A$  be open so that  $\overline{V}$  is compact; this set exists since  $X$  is locally compact and  $A$  is compact (by assumption). To construct it, for each  $x \in A$ , let  $V_x \subset F_x$  be a compact neighbourhood of  $x$ . Since  $\{V_x\}_{x \in A}$  is an open cover for  $A$ , there exists a subcover  $\{V_{x_i}\}_{i=1}^n$ . Then  $A \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n \overline{V_{x_i}} \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n F_{x_i}$  is a closed subset of a compact set, and thus compact. Since  $\mu(T_n) < \infty$ , get  $K_n$  compact,  $V_n$  open, so that  $K_n \subset T_n \subset V_n$  with  $\mu(V_n \setminus K_n) < \epsilon/2^n$ . We can assume  $V_n \subset V$  since we can always take  $V_n \cap V$ , which is open.

By Urysohn's lemma, there exists  $h_n \in C_c(X)$  with  $K_n \subset h_n \subset V_n$ . Define  $g = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{-n} \cdot h_n$  is a uniform limit, so  $g$  is continuous and  $\text{supp } g \subset \overline{V}$ . If  $x \in K_n$ , then  $h_n(x) = 1$  and  $t_n(x) = 2^{-n}$ , so  $2^{-n} \cdot h_n(x) = t_n(x)$ . If  $x \notin V_n$ , then  $h_n(x) = 0$  so  $t_n(x) = 0$  and  $2^{-n} \cdot h_n(x) = t_n(x)$ . Thus

$$S = \{x \in A : f(x) \neq g(x)\} \subset \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (V_n \setminus K_n)$$

and  $\mu(S) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu(V_n \setminus K_n) < \epsilon$ .

If  $-A \leq f \leq A$ , then  $0 \leq f + A \leq 2A$  and apply the above theorem to  $(f + A)/(2A)$  and get some  $\hat{g}$ . Then  $2A\hat{g} - A$  has the desired properties. Additionally, for any real valued function, let  $B_n = \{x \in X : |f(x)| > n\}$ . Then  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n = \emptyset$ ,  $\mu(B_1) \leq \mu(\text{supp } f) < \infty$ , and  $B_{n+1} \subset B_n$  for all  $n$ . Thus  $\mu(B_n) \rightarrow \mu(\bigcap B_n) = 0$ . Let  $N$  be such that  $\mu(B_N) < \epsilon/2$ , so if  $x \notin B_N$ ,  $f(x) \leq N$ , and define  $\tilde{f}(x) = (1 - \chi_{B_N(x)})f(x)$ . Then  $\tilde{f}$  is bounded, and apply the above to get  $g \in C_c(X)$  so that  $\mu(\{x : \tilde{f}(x) \neq g(x)\}) < \epsilon/2$ . But then

$$\mu(\{x : g(x) \neq f(x)\}) \leq \mu(\{x : f(x) \neq \tilde{f}(x)\}) + \mu(\{x : \tilde{f}(x) \neq g(x)\}) = \epsilon$$

All that is left is to do this for complex valued functions, satisfying the additional constraint. To be precise, let  $f$  be complex valued and write  $f = f_1 + if_2$ . Then for  $\epsilon > 0$ , get  $g_1, g_2 \in C_c(X)$

satisfying the requirements for  $\epsilon/2$  and set  $g = g_1 + ig_2$ . We will prove that  $\sup|G| \leq \sup|f|$ . If  $\sup|f| = \infty$  we are done, so let  $R = \sup_X |f|$ . Let

$$\phi(z) = \begin{cases} z & : |z| \leq R \\ \frac{R \cdot z}{|z|} & : |z| > R \end{cases}$$

then  $\phi$  is continuous and  $|\phi| \leq R$ . We already have  $g \in C_c(X)$  so that  $\mu(\{x \in X : f(x) \neq g(x)\}) < \epsilon$ . Let  $\tilde{g} = \phi \circ g$ , which is also continuous and  $|\tilde{g}| \leq R$ . Finally, if  $\tilde{f} \neq \tilde{g}$ , then certainly  $f \neq g$ , so

$$\mu\{\tilde{g} \neq f\} = \mu\{\phi \circ f \neq \phi \circ g\} \leq \mu\{g \neq f\} < \epsilon$$

and we are done. ■

For the following corollary, we require the same context for  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$  as in Lusin's Theorem.

**Cor. 2.5.2** *Let  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be measurable,  $\text{supp } f \subset A$ , and  $\mu(A) < \infty$  and  $|f| \leq 1$ . Then there exists  $g_n \in C_c(X)$  with  $|g_n| \leq 1$  and  $\lim g_n(x) = f(x)$  almost everywhere.*

**PROOF** Apply Lusin's theorem with  $\epsilon = 1/n$  for each  $g_n$ . ■

# Chapter 3

## Complex Measures

### 3.1 Hilbert Spaces

#### 3.1.1 Basic Definitions

A complex vector space  $H$  is called an inner product space if there is a pairing  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : H \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  satisfying, for any  $x, y \in H$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$

1.  $\langle x, y \rangle = \overline{\langle y, x \rangle}$
2.  $\langle \alpha x + y, z \rangle = \alpha \langle x, z \rangle + \langle y, z \rangle$
3.  $\langle x, x \rangle \geq 0$
4.  $\langle x, x \rangle = 0$  if and only if  $x = 0$

One can define a norm by  $\|x\| = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle}$ . The fact that this is actually a norm is a consequence of the following proposition:

**Prop. 3.1.1** *On an inner product space  $H$ , the following inequalities hold:*

1. **Cauchy-Schwarz:**  $|\langle x, y \rangle| \leq \|x\| \|y\|$
2. **Triangle:**  $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$

From the triangle inequality, we can define a metric  $d(x, y) = \|x - y\|$ . Thus we call  $H$  a Hilbert space if it is also complete with respect to this metric.

There are some standard continuous functions on  $H$ :

**Prop. 3.1.2** *For a fixed  $y \in H$ , the mappings*

$$x \mapsto \langle x, y \rangle, \quad x \mapsto \langle y, x \rangle, \quad x \mapsto \|x\|$$

*are continuous functions.*

The first map is particularly important since, to some  $x \in H$ , we can associate the continuous linear functional  $\phi_x$  defined by  $\phi_x(y) = \langle x, y \rangle$ . More importantly, in Hilbert spaces, the converse holds as well. The first part is the content of (the original) Riesz representation theorem:

**Thm. 3.1.3** *Let  $H$  be a Hilbert space, and  $H^*$  be the vector space of continuous linear functions on  $H$ .*

1. For each  $L \in H^*$ , then there exists a unique  $y \in H$  such that

$$Lx = \langle x, y \rangle$$

for all  $x \in H$ .

2.  $H^*$  is a Hilbert space with inner product

$$\langle \phi_u, \phi_v \rangle = \langle v, u \rangle$$

and is isomorphic (as a Hilbert space) to  $H$ , where  $\phi_x(y) = \langle x, y \rangle$ .

### 3.1.2 The space $L^2(\mu)$

In particular, consider the space  $L^2(\mu)$  where  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$  has  $X$  compact, and  $\mu$  is a regular complex measure on  $\mathcal{M}$ . Then  $L^2(\mu) = \{f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C} : f \text{ measurable, } \|f\|_2 < \infty\}$  and we have

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_X f \bar{g} d\mu, \quad \|f\|_2 = \left( \int_X |f|^2 d\mu \right)^{1/2}$$

is the inner product on this space. We also have

**Thm. 3.1.4 (Riesz-Fisher)**  $L^2(\mu)$  is complete (every Cauchy sequence of functions converges w.r.t. the  $L^2$  norm).

so this inner product space is indeed a Hilbert space. Given a continuous linear functional  $\Lambda$  on  $H$ , the Riesz representation theorem states that

$$\Lambda f = \langle f, g \rangle = \int_X f \bar{g} d\mu$$

for some  $g \in \mathcal{M}$ . But then define  $\phi(E) = \int_E \bar{g} d\mu$  as the image measure of  $\bar{g}$ , so

$$\int_X f \bar{g} d\mu = \int_X f d\phi$$

In other words,  $\Lambda f = \int_X f d\phi$ , which looks much more similar to the standard Riesz representation theorem.

$L^2(\mu) = \{f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C} : f \text{ is measurable, } \|f\|_2 < \infty\}$  is a Hilbert space (complete) with the inner product  $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_X f \cdot \bar{g} d\mu$ .

**Thm. 3.1.5** If  $H$  is a Hilbert space,  $L : H \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is continuous and linear, then there exists a unique  $y \in H$  so that  $L(x) = \langle x, y \rangle$  for all  $x \in H$ .

## 3.2 Complex Measures

Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be a  $\sigma$ -algebra on  $X$ .

**Def'n. 3.2.1**  $\mu : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$  is called a **signed measure** if it is countably additive and  $+\infty$  and  $-\infty$  are not in the range at the same time.

**Def'n. 3.2.2**  $\mu : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is called a **complex measure** if it is countably additive: if  $E_i$  are disjoint, then

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(E_i)$$

For now, it is not at all obvious how to define integration with respect to a complex measure. This will appear following the proof of the Lebesgue-Radon-Nikodym theorem.

**Def'n. 3.2.3** For a set  $E \in \mathcal{M}$ , a **(measurable) partition** of  $E$  is  $\{E_i : i = 1, 2, \dots\}$  so that  $E_i \cap E_j = \emptyset$  and  $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i = E$  and  $E_i \in \mathcal{M}$  for all  $i$ .

Let's try to motivate the following definition. Given a complex measure  $\mu$ , we want to find a positive measure  $\lambda$  which satisfies  $|\mu(E)| \leq \lambda(E)$  for every  $E \in \mathcal{M}$ . Such a measure, if it exists, must satisfy

$$\lambda(E) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \lambda(E_i) \geq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |\mu(E_i)|$$

for any partition  $\{E_i\}$  of  $E$ ; thus, it must be at least as large as the supremum. With this in mind, we can define the following set function:

**Def'n. 3.2.4** Let  $\mu$  be a complex or signed measure. Its total variation

$$|\mu| : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow [0, +\infty] = \sup \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |\mu(E_i)| : \{E_i\} \text{ is a partition of } E \right\}$$

Conveniently,  $|\mu|$  is actually a positive measure (which we will see below). More surprisingly,  $|\mu|(X) < \infty$ ; thus, for any  $E \in \mathcal{M}$ ,  $|\mu(E)| \leq |\mu|(E) \leq |\mu|(X)$ , so every complex measure is actually a bounded measure and its image is contained in a disc of finite radius. This property is sometimes summarized by saying " $\mu$  is of bounded variation".

**Thm. 3.2.5**  $|\mu|$  is a positive measure.

**PROOF** Let  $E \in \mathcal{M}$ , and  $\{E_i\}$  an arbitrary partition of  $E$ . We first see that  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |\mu|(E_i) \leq |\mu|(E)$ . Let  $t_i < |\mu|(E_i)$ , so there exists a partition  $\{A_{ij} : j \in \mathbb{N}\}$  of  $E_i$  so that

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |\mu(A_{ij})| > t_i$$

for all  $i$ . Then since  $\{A_{ij} : (i, j) \in \mathbb{N}^2\}$  is a partition of  $E$ , and

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} t_i \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |\mu(A_{ij})| \leq |\mu|(E)$$

and since this holds for all  $i$ , we have  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |\mu|(E_i) \leq |\mu|(E)$ .

We now see the opposite direction. Let  $\{A_j : j \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be an arbitrary partition of  $E$ . The set  $\{A_j \cap E_i : j \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a partition of  $E_i$ , while  $\{A_j \cap E_i : i \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a partition of  $A_j$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |\mu(A_j)| &= \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \left| \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_j \cap E_i) \right| \\ &\leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |\mu(A_j \cap E_i)| \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |\mu(A_j \cap E_i)| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |\mu|(E_i) \end{aligned}$$

where absolute convergence allows us to change the order of summation. Since this holds for an arbitrary partition  $\{A_j\}$  of  $E$ , taking the supremum over all partitions gives the total variation. Thus equality holds. ■

**Lemma 3.2.6** *Let  $z_1, z_2, \dots, z_N \in \mathbb{C}$ . Then there exists  $S \subset \{1, 2, \dots, N\}$  so that*

$$\left| \sum_{k \in S} z_k \right| \geq \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{k=1}^N |z_k|$$

**PROOF** Let  $z_k = |z_k|e^{i\alpha_k}$ , and for  $\theta \in [-\pi, \pi]$ , let  $S(\theta) = \{k \in \{1, 2, \dots, N\} : \cos(\alpha_k - \theta) > 0\}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \sum_{k \in S(\theta)} z_k \right| &= \left| \sum_{k \in S(\theta)} |z_k| e^{-i\theta} \right| \\ &\geq \operatorname{Re} \sum_{k \in S(\theta)} e^{-i\theta} z_k \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^N |z_k| \cos^+(\alpha_k - \theta) := h(\theta) \end{aligned}$$

where  $\cos^+ = \max\{\cos, 0\}$  is the positive part of  $\cos$ , and  $h : [-\pi, \pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous function on a compact set. Thus it has a maximum at some  $\theta_0$ . Fix  $S = S(\theta_0)$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \sum_{k \in S} z_k \right| &= h(\theta_0) \geq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} h \, d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sum_{k=1}^N |z_k| \cos^+(\alpha_k - \theta) \, d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{k=1}^N |z_k| \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos^+(\alpha_k - \theta) \, d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{k=1}^N |z_k| \end{aligned}$$



since  $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos^+(\alpha_k - \theta) = 2$  for all  $k$ . ■

**Thm. 3.2.7** *If  $\mu$  is a complex measure, then  $|\mu|(X) < \infty$ .*

**PROOF** First, let  $E \in \mathcal{M}$  be such that  $|\mu|(E) = +\infty$ . We show that there exists  $A, B$  so  $E = A \cup B$  and  $|\mu(A)| \geq 1$  and  $|\mu(B)| \geq 1$ . Set  $t = \pi(1 + |\mu(E)|)$  and since  $|\mu(E)| > t$ , there exists a partition  $\{E_i\}$  of  $E$  such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^N |\mu(E_i)| > t$$

for some  $N$ . Then by the lemma with  $z_k = \mu(E_k)$ , get  $S$  so that  $|\sum_{k \in S} \mu(E_k)| \geq \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{k=1}^N |\mu(E_k)|$ . Thus

$$|\mu(A)| \geq \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{k=1}^N |\mu(E_k)| > \frac{t}{\pi} \geq 1$$

and let  $B = E \setminus A$ . Then

$$|\mu(B)| \geq |\mu(A)| - |\mu(E)| \geq \frac{t}{\pi} - \left(\frac{t}{\pi} - 1\right) = 1$$

so that  $E = A \cup B$  with  $|\mu(A)| \geq 1$  and  $|\mu(B)| \geq 1$ .

Now assume  $|\mu|(X) = \infty$  and apply the above procedure get  $A_1, B_1$  with  $|\mu(A_1)| \geq 1$  and  $|\mu(B_1)| \geq 1$ . As well, at least one of  $|\mu(A_1)|, |\mu(B_1)|$  is infinity. Without loss of generality, it is  $B_1$ , so repeat this procedure to  $B_1$ . Get a sequence  $A_1, A_2, \dots$  with  $|\mu(A_i)| \geq 1$  and  $A_i$  disjoint. But then by countable additivity,

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_i) = \mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) < \infty$$

since  $\mu$  is finite, a contradiction, since the LHS does not converge. ■

Recall that  $\mu : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a complex measure if it is countably additive. Then the total variation of  $\mu$  is given by

$$|\mu|(E) = \sup \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |\mu(E_i)| : \{E_i\} \text{ is a partition} \right\}$$

Then  $|\mu|$  is a positive measure and  $|\mu|(X) < \infty$ . If  $\mu, \lambda : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  are complex measures, then  $(\mu + \lambda)(E) = \mu(E) + \lambda(E)$  and  $(c \cdot \mu)(E) = c \cdot \mu(E)$ . Thus the set of complex measures is a vector space. Let  $\|\mu\| := |\mu|(X)$ .

If  $\mu$  is a signed measure ( $\mu : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \bar{\mathbb{R}}$ ), then the total variation is defined in the same way.

**Def'n. 3.2.8** *Let  $\mu$  be a signed measure. The **positive variation** of  $\mu$  is  $\mu^+ := \frac{1}{2}(|\mu| + \mu)$  and the **negative variation** of  $\mu$  is  $\mu^- := \frac{1}{2}(|\mu| - \mu)$ .*

These are positive measures since  $|\mu|(E) \geq |\mu(E)|$ . We have  $\mu = \mu^+ - \mu^-$ ; this is called the Jordan decomposition since we represent a signed measure as a difference between two positive measures. Additionally, we have  $|\mu| = \mu^+ + \mu^-$ .

### 3.3 Absolute Continuity and Singular Measures

**Def'n. 3.3.1** Let  $\mu$  be a positive measure and  $\lambda$  be an arbitrary (positive, signed, or complex) measure. Then  $\lambda$  is **absolutely continuous** with respect to  $\mu$  if  $\mu(E) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda(E) = 0$ . We write  $\lambda \ll \mu$ .

**Def'n. 3.3.2**  $\lambda$  is concentrated on a set  $A \in \mathcal{M}$  if  $\lambda(E) = \lambda(E \cap A)$  for all  $E \in \mathcal{M}$ .

**Prop. 3.3.3**  $\lambda$  is concentrated on  $A$  if and only if  $\lambda(E) = 0$  if  $E \cap A = \emptyset$ .

**PROOF** Let  $E \cap A = \emptyset$ . Then  $\lambda(E) = \lambda(E \cap A) = \lambda(\emptyset) = 0$ . Conversely, let  $E \in \mathcal{M}$ . Then  $\lambda(E) = \lambda(E \cap A) + \lambda(E \cap A^c) = \lambda(E \cap A)$ . ■

**Def'n. 3.3.4**  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  are called **mutually singular** if there exist disjoint sets  $A$  and  $B$  such that  $\lambda_1$  is concentrated on  $A$  and  $\lambda_2$  is concentrated on  $B$ . Then  $\lambda_1 \perp \lambda_2$ .

Let's summarize a number of properties concerning the aforementioned definitions and the total variation of a measure.

**Prop. 3.3.5** Let  $\mu$  be a positive measure,  $\lambda, \lambda_1, \lambda_2$  be arbitrary measures (positive, signed, or complex). Then

1. If  $\lambda$  is concentrated on  $A$ , then  $|\lambda|$  is also concentrated on  $A$ .
2. If  $\lambda_1 \perp \lambda_2$ , then  $|\lambda_1| \perp |\lambda_2|$
3. If  $\lambda_1 \perp \mu$  and  $\lambda_2 \perp \mu$ , then  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 \perp \mu$ .
4. If  $\lambda_1 \ll \mu$  and  $\lambda_2 \ll \mu$ , then  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 \ll \mu$ .
5. If  $\lambda \ll \mu$ , then  $|\lambda| \ll \mu$
6. If  $\lambda_1 \ll \mu$  and  $\lambda_2 \perp \mu$ , then  $\lambda_1 \perp \lambda_2$
7. If  $\lambda \ll \mu$  and  $\lambda \perp \mu$ , then  $\lambda = 0$ .

**PROOF** These are all exercises in the definitions. For simplicity of notation (and so that I don't repeat myself too much), let  $\lambda$  be concentrated on  $A$ ,  $\lambda_1$  on  $A_1$ ,  $\lambda_2$  on  $A_2$ , and  $\mu$  on  $B$ .

1. Suppose  $E \cap A = \emptyset$ ; we want to show  $|\lambda|(E) = 0$ . Let  $\{E_i\}$  be an arbitrary partition of  $E$ , so  $E_i \cap A = \emptyset$  and  $\lambda(E_i) = 0$  since  $\lambda$  is concentrated on  $A$ . Thus  $\sum_{i=1}^n |\lambda(E_i)| = 0$  and since the partition was arbitrary,  $|\lambda|(E) = 0$ .
2. By (1),  $|\lambda_1|$  is also concentrated on  $A_1$  and  $|\lambda_2|$  is concentrated on  $A_2$ , and  $A_1 \cap A_2 = \emptyset$ .
3. Let  $\mu$  concentrated on  $B_1$  with  $B_1 \cap A_1 = \emptyset$ , and  $\mu$  is concentrated on  $B_2$  with  $B_2 \cap A_2 = \emptyset$ . If  $A_1 \cap B = \emptyset$  and  $A_2 \cap B = \emptyset$ , then  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2$  is concentrated on  $A_1 \cup A_2$ . Furthermore,  $\mu$  is concentrated on  $B_1 \cap B_2$  since if  $E \cap B_1 = \emptyset$  or  $E \cap B_2 = \emptyset$ , then  $\mu(E) = 0$ .
4. Let  $\mu(E) = 0$ . Then  $\lambda_1(E) = 0$  and  $\lambda_2(E) = 0$  so  $(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)(E) = 0$ .
5. Let  $\mu(E) = 0$  and let  $\{E_i\}$  be a partition of  $E$ . Then  $\mu(E_i) = 0$  for all  $i$ , so  $\lambda(E_i) = 0$  for all  $i$ . Thus  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |\lambda(E_i)| = 0$  for any partition, so  $|\lambda|(E) = 0$ .
6. Since  $\lambda_2 \perp \mu$ , get disjoint  $A_2, B$  so  $\lambda_2$  is concentrated on  $A_2$  and  $\mu$  is concentrated on  $B$ . Then  $\lambda_1$  is also concentrated on  $B$  since, if  $E \cap B = \emptyset$ , then  $\mu(E) = 0$  so  $\lambda_1(E) = 0$  since  $\lambda_1 \ll \mu$ .
7. By (6.),  $\lambda \perp \lambda$ , and  $A \cap A = \emptyset$  implies  $A = \emptyset$ , so  $\lambda = 0$ . ■

**Prop. 3.3.6** Let  $\mu$  be a positive measure,  $\lambda$  a complex measure. Then the following are equivalent:

1.  $\lambda \ll \mu$
2. For any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $\mu(E) < \delta$  so  $|\lambda(E)| < \epsilon$ .

PROOF (2  $\Rightarrow$  1). Let  $\epsilon > 0$  and choose  $\delta$  satisfying the requirement. Then let  $\mu(E) = 0$ , so  $\mu(E) < \delta$  and  $|\lambda(E)| < \epsilon$ . This holds for any  $\epsilon > 0$  so  $\lambda(E) = 0$ .

(1  $\Rightarrow$  2). For contradiction, assume there exists some  $\epsilon > 0$  so that for each  $\delta = 1/2^n$ , there exists a set  $E_n$  so that  $\mu(E_n) < 1/2^n$  but  $|\lambda(E_n)| \geq \epsilon$ . As is standard, define

$$A_n = \bigcup_{k=n}^{\infty} E_k, \quad A = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$$

so that

$$\mu(A_n) \leq \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \mu(E_k) \leq \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k} = \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$$

Thus since  $\mu(A_1) < \infty$  and  $A_1 \supset A_2 \supset \dots$ ,  $\mu(A) = 0$ . Since  $\lambda \ll \mu$ ,  $|\lambda| \ll \mu$  so  $|\lambda|(A) = 0$ . However,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\lambda|(A_n) = |\lambda|(A) = 0$  since  $|\lambda|$  is a measure, while  $|\lambda|(E_n) \geq |\lambda(E_n)| \geq \epsilon$ , a contradiction. ■

If it is important that  $\lambda$  is finite; if not, then this may not hold. Set  $f(x) = 1/|x|$ ,  $\lambda(E) = \int_E f \, d\mu$ , and  $\mu$  is the Lebesgue measure. However, for each  $E = [-1/n, 1/n]$ , and  $\int_E f \, d\mu = \infty$  while  $\mu(E) = 1/2^n$ .

### 3.3.1 The Lebesgue-Radon-Nikodym Theorem

**Lemma 3.3.7** If  $\mu$  is a positive,  $\sigma$ -finite measure (that is,  $X = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} X_n$  where  $\mu(X_n) < \infty$ ), then there exists  $w \in L^1(\mu)$  so that  $0 < w < 1$ .

PROOF Let  $X = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} X_n$ , and  $\mu(X_n) < \infty$ . Let

$$w_n(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & : x \in X \setminus X_n \\ \frac{1}{2^n(1+\mu(X_n))} & : x \in X_n \end{cases}$$

and  $w(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} w_n(x)$ . By construction,  $0 < w < 1$  and

$$\int_X w \, d\mu = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int w_n \, d\mu < \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/2^n = 1$$

by Lebesgue's Monotone Convergence Theorem, so  $w \in L^1(\mu)$ . ■

**Thm. 3.3.8 (Lebesgue-Radon-Nikodym)** Let  $\mu$  be a positive,  $\sigma$ -finite measure,  $\lambda$  be a complex measure on  $\mathcal{M}$ .

- (a) There exists a unique decomposition of  $\lambda$  as  $\lambda = \lambda_a + \lambda_s$  such that  $\lambda_a \ll \mu$  and  $\lambda_s \perp \mu$ .
- (b) There exists a unique  $h \in L^1(\mu)$  such that  $\lambda_a(E) = \int_E h \, d\mu$  for all  $E \in \mathcal{M}$ . This is the Radon-Nikodym derivative of  $\lambda_a$  with respect to  $\mu$ .

PROOF Let's first see that the decomposition is unique. Assume  $\lambda = \lambda_a + \lambda_s = \lambda'_a + \lambda'_s$ , so  $\lambda_a - \lambda'_a = \lambda'_s - \lambda_s$ . Then since  $\lambda_a - \lambda'_a \ll \mu$  and  $\lambda'_s - \lambda_s \perp \mu$ , we have  $\lambda_a - \lambda'_a = 0 = \lambda'_s - \lambda_s$ . We also see that  $h$  is unique. Assume  $h^*$  is another one, so  $\lambda_a(E) = \int_E h^* d\mu$ . Write  $h = h_1 + ih_2$ ,  $h^* = h_1^* + ih_2^*$ . Let  $A_1 = \{x \in X : h_1(x) > h_1^*(x)\}$  and  $A_2 = \{x \in X : h_1(x) < h_1^*(x)\}$ . We will show  $\mu(A_1) = \mu(A_2) = 0$  (so that  $h_1 = h_1^*$  a.e.). In particular,

$$\int_{A_1} h d\mu = \int_{A_1} h^* d\mu \Rightarrow \int_{A_1} (h - h^*) d\mu = 0$$

so  $\mu(A_1) = 0$ . We can argue similarly with  $A_2$ , so  $h_1 = h_1^*$ . In the exact same way,  $h_2 = h_2^*$  a.e., showing uniqueness.

Now, for the hard part of the theorem, we show existence of  $\lambda_a, \lambda_s, \mu$ . Write  $\lambda = \lambda_1^+ - \lambda_1^- + i(\lambda_2^+ - \lambda_2^-)$  and argue separately for each  $\lambda_i^\pm$ . We thus assume without loss of generality that  $\lambda$  is a positive, finite measure. From the previous lemma, get  $w \in L^1(\mu)$  such that  $0 < w < 1$ , and define  $\phi(E) = \lambda(E) + \int_E w d\mu$ , so  $\phi$  is a positive finite measure. We have  $\int_X f d\phi = \int_X f d\lambda + \int_X fw d\mu$ ; this holds for characteristic functions, and thus for simple functions, and finally for any non-negative measurable  $f$ . Let  $f \in L^2(\phi)$ , so

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_X f d\lambda \right| &\leq \int_X |f| d\lambda \\ &\leq \int_X |f| d\phi = \int_X 1 \cdot |f| d\phi \\ &= \langle 1, |f| \rangle_{L^2(\phi)} \\ &\leq \sqrt{\int_X 1 d\phi} \cdot \sqrt{\int_X |f|^2 d\phi} \\ &< \infty \end{aligned}$$

since  $\phi(X) < \infty$  by finiteness of  $\lambda, \mu$  and the second term since  $f \in L^2(\phi)$ . Let  $T(f) = \int_X f d\lambda$ , so  $T : L^2(\phi) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a bounded (and therefore continuous) linear functional. By the Riesz theorem for Hilbert spaces, there exists  $\bar{g} \in L^2(\phi)$  so that  $T(f) = \langle f, \bar{g} \rangle = \int_X f \cdot \bar{g} d\phi$ . Thus

$$\int_X f d\lambda = \int_X fg d\phi \tag{1}$$

Thus substituting  $f = \chi_E$ ,  $\lambda(E) = \int_E g d\phi$ . Let's see that  $0 \leq g \leq 1$  a.e.  $[\phi]$ . Define

$$A_1 = \{x \in X : g(x) < 0\}, \quad A_2 = \{x \in X : g(x) > 1\}$$

Then  $0 \leq \lambda(A_1) = \int_{A_1} g d\phi < 0$  if  $\phi(A_1) > 0$ , so  $\phi(A_1) = 0$ . Similarly,  $\lambda(A_2) = \int_{A_2} g d\phi > \phi(A_2) \geq \lambda(A_2)$ , so  $\phi(A_2) = 0$ . We thus have by (1) and the definition of  $\phi$ ,

$$\int_X f d\lambda = \int_X fg d\lambda + \int_X fgw d\mu \implies \int_X f(1-g) d\lambda = \int_X fgw d\mu \tag{2}$$

Let  $A = \{x \in X : 0 \leq g(x) < 1\}$ ,  $B = \{x \in X : g(x) = 1\}$ , so  $A \cap B = \emptyset$  and  $\mu(X \setminus (A \cup B)) = 0$ . Finally, we can define

$$\lambda_a(E) = \lambda(E \cap A), \quad \lambda_s(E) = \lambda(E \cap B)$$

Let's prove that they have the desired properties. Substitute  $f = \chi_B$  into (2), so  $\chi_B(1-g) = 0$  everywhere. We thus have  $\int_B w d\mu = 0$  so  $\mu(B) = 0$ . Thus  $\mu$  is concentrated on  $A$  and, by definition,  $\lambda_s$  is concentrated on  $B$ , so  $\lambda_s \perp \mu$ .

Now apply (2) with  $f = (1 + g + g^2 + \cdots + g^n)\chi_E$  for any  $E \in \mathcal{M}$  and every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . On the LHS of (2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_E (1 - g^{n+1}) d\lambda &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{E \cap A} (1 - g^{n+1}) d\lambda + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{E \cap B} (1 - g^{n+1}) d\lambda \\ &= \int_{E \cap A} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 - g^{n+1}) d\lambda \\ &= \int_{E \cap A} 1 d\lambda \\ &= \lambda(E \cap A) = \lambda_a(E) \end{aligned}$$

by the monotone convergence theorem, since  $1 - g^{n+1} = 0$  on  $B$  and  $1 - g^{n+1} \rightarrow 1$  on  $A$  monotonically. On the RHS of (2), we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_E g(1 + g + \cdots + g^n) w d\mu = \int_E \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(1 + g + \cdots + g^n) w d\mu = \int_E h d\mu$$

monotonically, where  $h = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(1 + g + \cdots + g^n)2$ . Thus  $\lambda_a(E) = \int_E h d\lambda$  for all  $E \in \mathcal{M}$ . But then it follows directly that  $\lambda_a \ll \mu$  and  $h \in L^1(\mu)$ , so  $\lambda_a(X) < \infty$ . ■

### 3.3.2 Applications of Radon-Nikodym

**Thm. 3.3.9** Let  $\mu$  be a complex measure. Then there exists a measurable  $h$  such that  $|h| = 1$  and  $\mu(E) = \int_E h d|\mu|$ . This is called the polar decomposition of  $\mu$ .

**PROOF** Note that  $\mu \ll |\mu|$  since if  $|\mu|(E) = 0$  then  $|\mu(E)| = 0$ . Thus get  $h \in L^1(|\mu|)$  so that  $\mu(E) = \int_E h d|\mu|$ . We will see that  $|h| \leq 1$  a.e. and  $|h| \geq 1$  a.e. Let  $A_r = \{x \in X : |h(x)| < r\}$ . Let  $\{E_j\}$  be a partition of  $A_r$ . Then

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |\mu(E_j)| = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \left| \int_{E_j} h d|\mu| \right| \leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \int_{E_j} |h| d|\mu| \leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} r \cdot |\mu|(E_j) = r \cdot |\mu|(A_r)$$

for any partition, so taking the supremum over all partitions,  $|\mu|(A_r) \leq r \cdot |\mu|(A_r)$ , so  $|\mu|(A_r) = 0$  when  $r < 1$ .

Otherwise, set  $S = \mathbb{C} \setminus \overline{B_1(0)}$ . Let  $B_r(z) \subset S$  for some  $z$ , and define  $E = h^{-1}(B_r(z))$ . We want to show that  $|\mu|(E) = 0$ . Assuming so, write  $S$  as a countable union of open balls  $B_1, B_2, \dots$  so that

$$\mu(\{x : |h(x)| > 1\}) = \mu(h^{-1}(S)) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(h^{-1}(B_i)) = 0$$

Thus let's show that  $\mu(E) = 0$ . Assume not; then, for any  $E$ , we have

$$\left| \frac{1}{|\mu|(E)} \cdot \int_E h d|\mu| \right| = \frac{|\mu(E)|}{|\mu|(E)} \leq 1$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{1}{|\mu|(E)} \int_E h d|\mu| - z \right| &= \left| \frac{1}{|\mu|(E)} \cdot \int_E (h - z) d|\mu| \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{|\mu|(E)} \int_E |h - z| d|\mu| \\ &< \frac{r \cdot |\mu|(E)}{|\mu|(E)} = r \end{aligned}$$

a contradiction, since  $B_r(z) \subset S$ . ■

**Thm. 3.3.10** Let  $\mu$  be a positive measure, and  $g \in L^1(\mu)$ . Let  $\lambda(E) = \int_E g d\mu$ . Then  $|\lambda|(E) = \int_E |g| d\mu$ .

PROOF By the previous theorem, there exists  $h$  so that  $|h| = 1$  and  $\lambda(E) = \int_E h d\lambda$ . Then

$$\int_E g d\mu = \int_E h d\lambda \implies \int_X f g d\mu = \int_X f h d\lambda$$

by monotone convergence, for any measurable  $f$ . In particular, consider  $f = \bar{h} \cdot \chi_E$ . Then

$$\int_E \bar{h} g d\mu = \int_E d|\lambda| = |\lambda|(E)$$

and since the RHS is real and non-negative and  $E$  is an arbitrary set,  $\bar{h}g$  is real and non-negative almost everywhere. Let  $x \in X$  be such that  $\bar{h}(x) \cdot g(x) \geq 0$ , and let  $g(x) = r \cdot e^{i\phi}$ ,  $\bar{h} = e^{i\alpha}$ . Then  $\bar{h}(x)g(x) = r e^{i(\alpha+\phi)} = r = |g|$  since it is non-negative and real, so  $\bar{h} \cdot h = |h|$  a.e.  $[\mu]$ . ■

With these theorems, we are in place to prove the following decomposition theorem for measures. Recall that

$$\mu^+ = \frac{1}{2}(|\mu| + \mu), \quad \mu^- = \frac{1}{2}(|\mu| - \mu)$$

so  $\mu = \mu^+ - \mu^-$  and  $|\mu| = \mu^+ + \mu^-$ .

**Thm. 3.3.11 (Hahn Decomposition)** Let  $\mu$  be a signed measure. Then there exists  $A, B \in \mathcal{M}$  so that  $A \cup B = X$ ,  $A \cap B = \emptyset$ , and  $\mu^+(E) = \mu(E \cap A)$  and  $\mu^-(E) = -\mu(E \cap B)$ .

PROOF By the first theorem, get  $h$  so that  $|h| = 1$  and  $\mu(E) = \int_E h d|\mu|$ . Since  $h$  is real-valued,  $h = \pm 1$ . Let  $A = h^{-1}(\{1\})$ ,  $B = h^{-1}(\{-1\})$ . Then

$$\frac{1}{2}(h(x) + 1) = \begin{cases} h(x) & : x \in A \\ 0 & : x \in B \end{cases}$$

so that since  $\mu^+ = \frac{1}{2}(|\mu| + \mu)$ ,

$$\mu^+(E) = \frac{1}{2} \int_E (1 + h) d|\mu| = \int_{E \cap A} h d|\mu| = \mu(E \cap A)$$

The same approach works with  $\mu^-$ . ■

**Cor. 3.3.12** If  $\mu = \lambda_1 - \lambda_2$ , where  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  are positive measures, then  $\lambda_1 \geq \mu^+$  and  $\lambda_2 \geq \mu^-$ .

PROOF Since  $\mu(E) \leq \lambda_1(E)$  for all  $E$ ,

$$\mu^+(E) = \mu(E \cap A) \leq \lambda_1(E \cap A) \leq \lambda_1(E)$$

and similarly for  $\mu^-$ . ■

### 3.4 Representation Theorem for Bounded Linear Functionals

Let  $B$  be a Banach space (a complete, normed vector space).

**Def'n. 3.4.1**  $L : B \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is called a **bounded linear functional** if  $L(\alpha x + y) = \alpha L(x) + L(y)$  for  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $x, y \in B$  and

$$\|L\| := \sup_{\|x\| \leq 1} |L(x)| < \infty$$

Then  $|L(x)| \leq \|L\| \cdot \|x\|$ . Let  $B^*$  denote the collection of bounded linear functionals, called the **dual space** of  $B$ . This is a normed vector space with pointwise addition and scalar multiplication.

**Prop. 3.4.2** Let  $B$  be any normed space. Then  $B^*$  is a Banach space.

A general question in functional analysis is the characterization of the dual space of a Banach space  $B$ . When  $B$  is a Hilbert space, the inner product provides this representation via the standard Riesz representation theorem (see Hilbert space section in notes). If  $B = L^p(\mu)$ , it was shown that  $B^* = L^q(\mu)$  where  $1/q + 1/p = 1$ .

To frame our general approach, note that  $C_c(X)$  is not complete (for non-compact  $X$ ). For example, when  $X = \mathbb{R}$ ,  $1/(1+x^2)$  is not in  $C_c(\mathbb{R})$ , but it is the limit of a sequence of functions in  $C_c(X)$ .

**Def'n. 3.4.3** We say  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  **vanishes at infinity** if for all  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $K \subset X$  compact such that for all  $x \notin K$ ,  $|f(x)| < \epsilon$ .

Let  $C_0(X)$  be the set of complex functions which vanish at infinity, and the norm  $\|f\| = \sup_{x \in X} |f(x)|$ . Note that  $C_c(X) \subset C_0(X)$ .

**Prop. 3.4.4**  $C_0(X)$  is complete.

**PROOF** Let  $(f_n) \subset C_0(X)$  be Cauchy. Then for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , get  $N$  so that  $\|f_n - f_m\| < \epsilon$  for all  $n, m \geq N$ . Thus  $(f_n(x)) \subset \mathbb{C}$  is Cauchy, so  $(f_n) \rightarrow f$  pointwise. Let's first show that  $f$  is continuous. Certainly  $\|f - f_n\| \leq \epsilon$  for all  $n \geq N$ , but then  $f_n \rightarrow f$  uniformly, so  $f$  is continuous.

Furthermore,  $f$  vanishes at infinity since to any  $\epsilon > 0$ , get  $N$  so that  $\|f - f_N\| < \epsilon$ , and since  $f_N$  vanishes at infinity, get  $K$  compact so that  $|f_N(x)| < \epsilon$  if  $x \notin K$ . Thus  $|f(x)| < 2\epsilon$  if  $x \notin K$ .

Note that  $f_n(x) - \epsilon < f_m(x) < f_m(x) + \epsilon$  for all  $n, m > N$  so that  $|f(x) - f_n(x)| \leq \epsilon$  for all  $n \geq N$ . Let's show that the limit is actually uniform. For any  $\epsilon > 0$ , since  $f_n$  vanishes at infinity, get  $K_n$  compact so that  $f_n < \epsilon$  outside  $K_n$ . ■

In fact,  $C_c(X)$  is not complete; its closure is  $C_0(X)$ .

**Def'n. 3.4.5** Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be a  $\sigma$ -algebra on  $X$ , and let  $\mu : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a complex measure. Then there exists  $h : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  measurable so that  $\mu(E) = \int_E h d|\mu|$ . Now for any  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , we define

$$\int_E f d\mu = \int_E f h d|\mu|$$

where  $|\mu|$  is a positive measure.

**Def'n. 3.4.6** A complex measure  $\mu$  is regular if  $|\mu|$  is regular.

An example of a bounded linear functional on  $C_0(X)$  is the map  $\phi : C_0(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  given by

$$\phi(f) = \int_X f d\mu$$

with a given complex measure  $\mu$ .

**Prop. 3.4.7**  $\phi$  is bounded, linear, and  $\|\phi\| = \|\mu\|$ .

**PROOF** Linearity is clear, so let  $f \in C_0(X)$  with  $\|f\| \leq 1$ . Then  $|f(x)| \leq 1$  for all  $x$ , so

$$|\phi(f)| = \left| \int_X f \cdot h d|\mu| \right| \leq \int_X |f| d|\mu| \leq \int_X 1 d|\mu| = |\mu|(X) = \|\mu\| \quad \blacksquare$$

**Thm. 3.4.8** Every bounded linear function  $\phi : C_0(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  can be given uniquely in the form  $\phi(f) = \int_X f d\mu$  and  $\|\phi\| = \|\mu\|$ . In other words,  $C_0(X)^* = \text{Meas}(X, \mathbb{C})$ .

**PROOF** To see uniqueness, assume  $\mu_1, \mu_2 \in \text{Meas}(X, \mathbb{C})$  such that  $\phi(f) = \int_X f d\mu_i$  for  $i = 1, 2$ . Let  $\mu = \mu_1 - \mu_2$ ; we will see that  $\mu = 0$ . Get  $h$  so that  $\int_X f d\mu = \int_X f h d|\mu|$ , so  $\int_X f \cdot h d|\mu| = 0$  for all  $f \in C_0(X)$ . Recall that

$$|\mu|(X) = \int_X |h| d|\mu| = \int_X h(f_n - \bar{h}) d|\mu| \leq \int_X |h| f_n \bar{h} d|\mu| \rightarrow 0$$

since  $C_0(X)$  is dense in  $L^1(|\mu|)$ , we can get  $f_n \rightarrow \bar{h}$  in  $L^1$ . Thus  $|\mu|(X) = 0$  so  $|\mu|(E) = 0$  for all  $E$  so  $\mu(E) = 0$ .

The real content of this theorem is uniqueness. For  $f \geq 0$ , define

$$\Lambda f = \sup\{|\phi(h)| : h \in C_c(X), |h| \leq f\}$$

If  $f \in C_c(X)$ , then  $f = f_1^+ - f_1^- + i(f_2^+ - f_2^-)$  and define  $\Lambda f = \Lambda f_1^+ - \Lambda f_1^- + i(\Lambda f_2^+ - \Lambda f_2^-)$ . We will see that  $\Lambda : C_c(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a positive, linear functional. It suffices to show this for positive functions. Let's see that  $\Lambda(f + g) \geq \Lambda f + \Lambda g$ . To  $f$  and  $g$ , there exists  $h_1, h_2 \in C_c(X)$  so that  $\Lambda f \leq |\phi(h_1)| + \epsilon$ ,  $\Lambda g \leq |\phi(h_2)| + \epsilon$ , and  $|h_1| \leq f$ ,  $|h_2| \leq g$ . Let  $\alpha_i$  be such that  $|\phi(h_i)| = \alpha_i \phi(h_i)$ , so  $|\alpha_i| = 1$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda f + \Lambda g &\leq |\phi(h_1)| + |\phi(h_2)| + 2\epsilon \\ &= \phi(\alpha_1 h_1 + \alpha_2 h_2) + 2\epsilon \\ &\leq \Lambda(|\alpha_1 h_1 + \alpha_2 h_2|) + 2\epsilon \\ &\leq \Lambda(|h_1| + |h_2|) + 2\epsilon \\ &\leq \Lambda(f + g) + 2\epsilon \end{aligned}$$

for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , as required.

Now, let's see that  $\Lambda(f + g) \leq \Lambda f + \Lambda g$ . Let  $h \in C_c(X)$ , such that  $|h| \leq f + g$ . Let  $V = \{x \in X : f(x) + g(x) > 0\}$  and define

$$h_1 = \frac{f \cdot h}{f + g}, \quad h_2 = \frac{g \cdot h}{f + g}$$



on  $V$ , and 0 on  $V^c$ . One can verify that  $h_1, h_2 \in C_c(X)$ . Then

$$|\phi(h)| = |\phi(h_1) + \phi(h_2)| \leq |\phi(h_1)| + |\phi(h_2)| \leq \Lambda f + \Lambda g$$

and since this is true for all  $|h| \leq f + g$ , taking supremums, we have  $\Lambda(f + g) \leq \Lambda f + \Lambda g$ .

Furthermore, we have

$$|\phi(f)| \leq \Lambda(|f|) \leq \|f\|$$

for all  $f \in C_c(X)$ . This follows since for all  $|h| \leq f + g$ ,  $|\phi(h)| \leq \|h\| \leq \|f\|$ . Thus  $\Lambda$  is a positive linear functional on  $C_c(X)$ , and by the Riesz representation theorem, there exists a positive Borel measure  $\lambda$  so that

$$\Lambda f = \int_X f \, d\lambda$$

for all  $f \in C_c(X)$ . Since  $\lambda(X) = \sup\{\Lambda f : f \leq X\}$ , it follows that  $\Lambda f \leq \|f\| = 1$ . Then

$$|\phi(f)| \leq \Lambda(|f|) = \int_X |f| \, d\lambda = \|f\|_{L^1(\lambda)}$$

Note that  $\phi$  is defined in  $C_0(X)$ . Since  $C_0(X)$  is dense in  $L^1(\lambda)$ , If  $f \in L^1(\lambda)$ , then there exists a sequence  $(f_n) \subset C_0(X)$  such that  $\|f_n - f\|_{L^1(\lambda)} \rightarrow 0$ . Thus let  $\tilde{\phi}(f) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \phi(f_n)$  be an extension of  $\phi$  to  $L^1(\lambda)$ . Thus  $\tilde{\phi} : L^1(\lambda) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a bounded linear functional.

Since  $\tilde{\phi} \in L^1(\lambda)^*$ . Then by the Riesz representation theorem for  $L^p$ , we have  $(L^p)^* = L^q$ , so when  $p = q$ , we have  $\tilde{\phi} \in L^\infty(\lambda)$ . Thus there exists a bounded measurable function such that

$$\tilde{\phi}(f) = \int_f g \, d\lambda$$

for any  $f \in L^1(\lambda)$ , and  $\|\tilde{\phi}\| = \sup |g|$ , so  $|g| \leq 1$ . Now define  $\mu(E) = \int_E g \, d\lambda$ .

If  $f = \chi_E$ , then  $\tilde{\phi}(\chi_E) = \int_E g \, d\lambda = \mu(E) = \int_X \chi_E \, d\mu$ . Thus  $\tilde{\phi}(s) = \int_X s \, d\mu$ , for simple functions, so by LMC,  $\tilde{\phi}(f) = \int_X f \, d\mu$  for non-negative functions. Thus  $\Lambda f = \int_X f \, d\lambda$  for all  $f \in C_c(X)$ .

It remains to prove that  $1 = \|\phi\| = \|\mu\| = |\mu|(X)$ . Thus suppose  $|f| \leq 1$ . Then

$$|\phi(f)| = \left| \int_X f \cdot g \, d\lambda \right| \leq \int_X |f| \cdot |g| \, d\lambda \leq \int_X |g| \, d\lambda$$

and taking the supremum over all  $|f| \leq 1$ , we have

$$1 = \|\phi\| \leq \int_X |g| \, d\lambda \leq \int_X 1 \, d\lambda = \lambda(X) \leq 1$$

We thus have that  $|\mu|(X) = \int_X |g| \, d\lambda = 1$ , since  $\mu(X) = \int_X g \, d\lambda$  (absolute value by some theorem before).

Thus for  $\phi \in C_0(X)^*$ , there exists a unique  $\mu \in \text{Meas}(X, \mathbb{C})$  so that  $\phi(g) = \int_X g \, d\mu$ , and  $\|\phi\| = \|\mu\|$ . ■

**Cor. 3.4.9**  $\text{Meas}(X, \mathbb{C})$  is complete.

**PROOF** The dual space of a normed space is complete. ■



# Chapter 4

## Differentiation of Measures

Let  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$  and set  $\mu(E) = \int_E f \, d\mu$ . If  $f$  is continuous at  $x$ , then

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{\mu((x-r, x+r))}{m((x-r, x+r))} = f(x)$$

To see this, by continuity, for every  $\epsilon > 0$  get  $\delta$  so that whenever  $|x-y| < \delta$ ,  $|f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$ . Let  $r < \delta$ , and then

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{\mu((x-r, x+r))}{2r} - f(x) \right| &= \frac{1}{2r} \left| \int_{x-r}^{x+r} f(y) \, dy - \int_{x-r}^{x+r} f(x) \, dy \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \int_{x-r}^{x+r} |f(x) - f(y)| \, dy \\ &< \frac{1}{2r} \cdot \epsilon \cdot 2r = \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

**Def'n. 4.0.1** Let  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^k)$ . Then  $x \in \mathbb{R}^k$  is called a **Lebesgue point** of  $f$  if

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{m(B_r(x))} \int_{B_r(x)} |f(x) - f(y)| \, dy = 0$$

**Prop. 4.0.2** If  $f$  is continuous at  $x$ , then  $x$  is a Lebesgue point.

**Prop. 4.0.3** Let  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^k)$ , and let  $\mu(E) = \int_E f \, d\mu$ . If  $x$  is a Lebesgue point of  $f$ , then  $\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{\mu(B_r(x))}{m(B_r(x))} = f(x)$ .

**Def'n. 4.0.4** Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}^k$ . A sequence  $\{E_i : i \in \mathbb{N}\}$  of sets (in  $\mathbb{R}^k$ ) shrinks regularly to  $x$  if for all  $\alpha > 0$ , there exists  $(r_i)$  of positive numbers with  $r_i \rightarrow 0$  and  $E_i \subset B_{r_i}(x)$  and  $m(E_i) \geq \alpha \cdot m(B_{r_i}(x))$ .

**Ex. 4.0.5** 1.  $k = 1$ ,  $E_i = (x - 1/i, x + 1/i)$ . Then  $\alpha = 1$  and  $r_i = 1/i$ .

2.  $k = 1$ ,  $E_i = (x, x + 1/i)$ . Then  $\alpha = 1/2$  and  $r_i = 1/i$ .

3.  $k = 2$ ,  $x = (0, 0)$ ,  $E_i = (-1/i, 1/i) \times (-1/i, 1/i)$ ,  $r_i = \sqrt{2}/i$ ,  $\alpha = \pi/2$ .

4.  $k = 2$ ,  $x = (0, 0)$ ,  $E_i = (-1/i, 1/i) \times (-1/i^2, 1/i^2)$ . Then  $r_i \geq 1/i$  and  $m(B_{r_i}(x)) = \pi/i^2$  while  $m(E_i) = 4/i^3$ . But then there does not exist an  $\alpha > 0$ .

**Def'n. 4.0.6** Let  $\mu : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a complex Borel measure in  $\mathbb{R}^k$ . Then  $\mu$  is **differentiable** at a point  $x \in \mathbb{R}^k$  if for any sequence  $\{E_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  shrinking regularly to  $x$ , the limit

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mu(E_n)}{m(E_n)}$$

exists and is finite. This value is called the **derivative** of  $\mu$  at  $x$ .

Let's quickly see that this value is well-defined (i.e. does not depend on  $\{E_n\}$ ).

**PROOF** Let  $\{E_n\}$  and  $\{F_n\}$  shrink regular to  $x$ , and let  $G_1 = E_1$ ,  $G_2 = F_1$ ,  $G_3 = E_2$ , etc. Then  $\{G_n\}$  shrinks regularly to  $x$  so

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mu(G_n)}{m(G_n)}$$

exists and has  $\mu(E_n)/m(E_n)$  as a subsequence (and similarly for  $F_n$ ). ■

**Thm. 4.0.7** If  $\mu \ll m$ , then  $\mu$  is almost everywhere differentiable and  $\mu' = f$  is the Radon-Nikodym derivative of  $\mu$ .

**PROOF** Recall that almost every point is a Lebesgue point of  $f$ . For such a Lebesgue point  $x$ , we show  $\mu'(x) = f(x)$ . Let  $\{E_n\}$  be a sequence shrinking regularly to  $x$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{\mu(E_n)}{m(E_n)} - f(x) \right| &= \frac{1}{m(E_n)} \cdot \left| \int_{E_n} f(y) dy - \int_{E_n} f(x) dy \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\alpha} \cdot m(B_{r_n}(x)) \int_{E_n} |f(y) - f(x)| dy \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\alpha} \cdot \frac{1}{m(B_{r_n}(x))} \int_{B_{r_n}(x)} |f(x) - f(y)| dy \end{aligned}$$

which tends to 0 as  $n$  goes to infinity (and  $r_n \rightarrow 0$ ) since  $x$  is a Lebesgue point of  $f$ . ■

**Thm. 4.0.8** If  $\mu \perp m$ , then  $\mu$  is almost everywhere differentiable and  $\mu' = 0$  almost everywhere.

**Def'n. 4.0.9** Let  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^k)$ . Let  $Mf : \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$  be defined by

$$(Mf)(x) = \sup_{r>0} \frac{1}{m(B_r(x))} \int_{B_r(x)} |f| dm$$

**Thm. 4.0.10** If  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^k)$ , then almost every  $x$  is a Lebesgue point.

**Lemma 4.0.11**  $Mf$  is measurable and  $m(\{x \in \mathbb{R}^k : (Mf)(x) > \alpha\}) \leq \frac{3^k}{\alpha} \cdot \|f\|_1$ .

**PROOF** Let  $\mu(E) = \int_E f dm$ , so  $|\mu|(E) = \int_E |f| dm$ . Then

$$(Mf)(x) = \sup_{r>0} \frac{|\mu|(B_r(x))}{m(B_r(x))} =: (M\mu)(x)$$

so  $M\mu = Mf$ . We need to prove this for a general Borel measure  $\mu$ . ■

**Lemma 4.0.12** Let  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N \in \mathbb{R}^k$ ,  $r_1, r_2, \dots, r_N > 0$ . Let  $W = \bigcup_{n=1}^N B_{r_n}(x_n)$ . Then there exists  $S \subset \{1, 2, \dots, N\}$  such that

1.  $B_{r_i}(x_i)$  for  $i \in S$  are disjoint
2.  $W \subset \bigcup_{i \in S} B_{3r_i}(x_i)$
3.  $m(W) \leq 3^k \cdot \sum_{i \in S} m(B_{r_i}(x_i))$ .

**PROOF** Construct such a set inductively. Let  $r_{i_1}$  be the set with largest radius. Let  $r_{i_2}$  be the set with largest radius disjoint from  $B_{r_{i_1}}(x_{i_1})$ , etc. ■

**Lemma 4.0.13**  $m(\{x \in \mathbb{R}^k : (M\mu)(x) > \alpha\}) \leq 3^k \alpha^{-1} \|\mu\|$

**PROOF** Do this for compact subsets, and take supremums. Since  $K$  is covered by open balls with  $|\mu|(B_r(x)) > \alpha \cdot m(B_r(x))$ . ■

**PROOF** Define

$$(T_r f)(x) = \frac{1}{m(B_r(x))} \int_{B_r(x)} |f(y) - f(x)| dy$$

and

$$(Tf)(x) = \limsup_{r \rightarrow 0} T_r f(x)$$

We show that  $Tf = 0$  almost everywhere, to the limit exists and is 0. Let  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  be arbitrary; we prove that  $\{Tf > 2\alpha\}$  is measurable and  $m(\{Tf > 2\alpha\}) = 0$ . Let  $g \in C(\mathbb{R}^k)$  such that  $\|f - g\|_1 < 1/n$  by Lusin's theorem, and note that  $Tg = 0$  since it is continuous. Let  $h = f - g$ . Then  $T_r h \leq Mh + |h|$  and  $T_r f < T_r g + T_r h$  so as  $r \rightarrow 0$ ,  $Tf \leq 0 + Th \leq Mh + |h|$ . Thus  $\{Tf > 2\alpha\} \subset \{Mh > \alpha\} \cup \{|h| > \alpha\}$ . By choice of  $g$ ,  $m(\{|h| > \alpha\}) < \frac{1}{\alpha \cdot n}$ . Similarly,  $m(\{Mh > \alpha\}) \leq 3^k \alpha^{-1} \cdot \frac{1}{n}$ . Thus

$$m(\{Tf > 2\alpha\}) \leq \frac{3^k + 1}{\alpha \cdot n}$$

But then since the inclusion holds for all  $n$ , it must be 0. Then since  $m$  is complete,  $\{Tf > 2\alpha\}$  is a measurable because it is a subset of a zero measure set. ■

## 4.1 Theory of Real Functions

**Prop. 4.1.1** Let  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $a \in [-\infty, +\infty)$ . Let  $F(x) = \int_a^x f dm$ . Then  $F$  is continuous.

**PROOF** We have

$$|F(x+h) - f(x)| = \left| \int_x^{x+h} f dm \right| \leq \int_x^{x+h} |f| dm$$

Define  $\mu(E) = \int_E |f| dm$  so that  $\mu \ll m$ . Thus to every  $\epsilon > 0$ , get  $\delta > 0$  so that  $m(E) < \delta$  implies  $\mu(E) < \epsilon$ . But then if  $|h| < \delta$ ,

$$\int_x^{x+h} |f| dm < \epsilon \implies |F(x+h) - f(x)| < \epsilon$$

■

**Prop. 4.1.2** Let  $f, a, F$  be as above. Then  $F$  is almost everywhere differentiable, and  $F' = f$  almost everywhere.

**PROOF** Let  $x$  be a Lebesgue point of  $f$ . Since almost every point is a Lebesgue point, it suffices to prove that  $F$  is differentiable at  $x$  and  $F'(x) = f(x)$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{F(x+h) - f(x)h}{h} - f(x) \right| &= \left| \frac{1}{h} \int_x^{x+h} f(y) dy - \frac{1}{h} \int_x^{x+h} f(x) dy \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{|h|} \int_x^{x+h} |f(y) - f(x)| dy \\ &\leq \frac{2}{2|h|} \int_{x-h}^{x+h} |f(y) - f(x)| dy \\ &\rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

since  $x$  is a Lebesgue point. ■

**Prop. 4.1.3** Let  $f, a, F$  be as above. Then if  $F$  is differentiable at  $x$ , then  $x$  is a Lebesgue point of  $f$ .

What can we say about the integral of the derivative? When does it hold that  $f(x) - f(a) = \int_a^x f' dm$ ?

**Ex. 4.1.4** 1. Consider  $f(x) = x^2 \sin(1/x^2)$ , a differentiable function. Then  $f(0) = 0$  and  $f'(x) = 2x \sin(1/x^2) - \cos(1/x^2) \cdot 2/x$ , so  $f' \notin L^1$ .

2. Suppose  $f$  is the Cantor function, and let  $f(0) = 0, f(1) = 1$ . We say

$$\begin{aligned} f|_{(1/3, 2/3)} &= \frac{1}{2} \\ f|_{(1/9, 2/9)} &= \frac{1}{4}, f|_{(7/9, 8/9)} = \frac{3}{4} \end{aligned}$$

etc and if  $F$  denotes the cantor set, define  $f(x) = \sup\{f(\xi) : \xi < x, \xi \in [0, 1] \setminus F\}$ .

Let's try to characterize functions for which this holds. Now, let's assume that  $f' \in L^1$ ,  $f(x) - f(a) = \int_a^x f' dm$ . If  $\mu(E) = \int_E f' dm$ , then  $\mu \ll m$  so for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  so that whenever  $m(E) < \delta$ ,  $\mu(E) < \epsilon$ . If  $E$  is a union of disjoint open intervals  $(\alpha_i, \beta_i)$ , then

$$\mu(E) = \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\alpha_i}^{\beta_i} f' dm = \sum_{i=1}^n (f(\beta_i) - f(\alpha_i)) < \epsilon$$

whenever  $\sum (\beta_i - \alpha_i) < \delta$ .

**Def'n. 4.1.5** We say that  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is called **absolutely continuous** if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that for all  $n$  and any family  $(\alpha_i, \beta_i)$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$  of disjoint open intervals,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (\beta_i - \alpha_i) < \delta \implies \sum_{i=1}^n |f(\beta_i) - f(\alpha_i)| < \epsilon$$

Note that when  $n = 1$ , we have uniform continuity. We already proved the following:

**Prop. 4.1.6** Let  $f$  be a non-decreasing function. If  $f$  is almost everywhere differentiable and  $f' \in L^1$ , then  $\int_a^c f' dm = f(x) - f(a)$ , then  $f$  is absolutely continuous.

We will prove the converse, first for non-decreasing functions.

**Thm. 4.1.7** Let  $f$  be non-decreasing and continuous. Then the following statements are equivalent:

1.  $f$  is AC on  $[a, b]$
2. If  $E \in \mathcal{M}$  and  $m(E) = 0$ , then  $m(f(E)) = 0$ .
3.  $f$  is almost everywhere differentiable,  $f' \in L^1$ , and  $f(x) - f(a) = \int_a^x f' dm$  for all  $x \in [a, b]$ .

PROOF We showed earlier that (c) $\Rightarrow$ (a).

(a) $\Rightarrow$ (b). Let  $E \subset [a, b]$ ,  $m(E) = 0$ . Take  $\epsilon > 0$ , and let  $\delta$  be given by AC. Then there exists  $V \subset [a, b]$  open with  $m(V) < \delta$  and  $E \subset V$ . Write  $V = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} (\alpha_i, \beta_i)$  and for all  $N$ , we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^N (\beta_i - \alpha_i) < \delta \implies \sum_{i=1}^N f(\beta_i) - f(\alpha_i) < \epsilon$$

so that  $m(f(V)) < \epsilon$ . Take  $\epsilon = 1/n$  and let  $H_n = \bigcup_{i=1}^n [f(\alpha_i), f(\beta_i)] \supset f(V) \supset f(E)$ . Then  $m(H_n) < 1/n$ , so  $f(E) \subset \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} H_n$  so by completeness of  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $m(f(E)) = 0$ .

(b) $\Rightarrow$ (c). Let  $g(x) = f(x) + x$ , so  $g$  is strictly increasing. It can be shown that  $g$  satisfies (b), i.e.  $m(g(E)) = 0$  if  $m(E) = 0$ . Let  $\mu(E) = m(g(E))$ , which is countably additive (since  $g$  is bijective). Then (b) implies that  $\mu \ll m$ , so by Radon-Nikodym, get  $h \in L^1$  so  $\mu(E) = \int_E h dm$ . Apply this to  $E = [a, x]$  so that  $g(E) = [g(a), g(x)]$ . Then  $g(x) - g(a) = m(g(E)) = \mu(E) = \int_a^x h dm$  so that  $f(x) - f(a) = \int_a^x (h - 1) dm$ . We have thus proved  $f'(x) = h(x) - 1$ . ■

Let's extend to monotone functions.

**Def'n. 4.1.8** Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . The **total variation** function of  $f$  is

$$F_a(X) = \sup \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n |f(t_i) - f(t_{i-1})| : a = t_0 < t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_n = x, n \in \mathbb{N} \right\}$$

We say that  $f$  has **bounded variation** on  $[a, b]$  if  $F_a(b) < \infty$ .

**Ex. 4.1.9** If  $f$  is nondecreasing and bounded, then  $f$  has bounded variation.

**Prop. 4.1.10** Let  $f$  have BV on  $[a, b]$ . Then  $F_a, F_a + f, F_a - f$  are non-decreasing. Let  $x < y$ , so  $t_0 = a < t_1 < \dots < t_n = x < y$ . Then

$$F_a(y) \geq |f(y) - f(x)| + \sum_{i=1}^n |f(t_i) - f(t_{i-1})|$$

Take the supremum in  $\{t_i\}$ , so

$$F_a(y) \geq |f(y) - f(x)| + F_a(x)$$

so  $F_a(y) \geq F_a(x)$  and  $F_a$  is nondecreasing. If  $|f(y) - f(x)| = f(y) - f(x)$ , then  $(F_a - f)(y) \geq (F_a - f)(x)$ . If  $|f(y) - f(x)| = f(x) - f(y)$ , then  $(F_a + f)(y) \geq (F_a + f)(x)$ .

**Prop. 4.1.11 (Jordan Decomposition)** *If  $f$  has BV, then it is the difference of two nondecreasing functions.*

PROOF Take  $f = F_a - (F_a - f)$ . ■

**Prop. 4.1.12** *If  $f$  is AC, then  $F_a$  is AC.*

*The Jordan decomposition gives two non-decreasing AC functions.*

**Thm. 4.1.13** *The following are equivalent:*

1.  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is AC.
2.  $f$  is differentiable almost everywhere,  $f' \in L^1$ , and  $f(x) - f(a) = \int_a^x f' dm$ .

PROOF Write  $f = f_1 - f_2$  where  $f_1, f_2$  are non-decreasing, and apply the previous theorem. ■