MA544: Qual Problems

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1 Notes

Notes based off of Wheeden and Zygmund's Measure and Integral book.

1.1 Exam 1 Review

This is all of the material we covered before exam 1.

Introductory material I should have known from 504.

If \mathcal{F} is a countable (i.e., finite or countably infinite), it will be called a sequence of sets and denoted $\mathcal{F} = \{E_k : k = 1, 2, ...\}$. The corresponding union and intersection will be written $\bigcup_k E_k$ and $\bigcap_k E_k$. A sequence $\{E_k\}$ of sets is said to increase to $\bigcup_k E_k$ if $E_k \subset E_{k+1}$ for all k and to decrease to $\bigcap_k E_k$ if $E_k \supset E_{k+1}$ for all k; we use the notation $E_k \nearrow \bigcap_k E_k$ and $E_k \searrow \bigcap_k E_k$ to denote these two possibilities. If $\{E_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ is a sequence of sets, we define

$$\limsup E_k = \bigcap_{j=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{k=j}^{\infty} E_k, \qquad \liminf E_k = \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{k=j}^{\infty} E_k, \tag{1}$$

noting that the sets $U_j = \bigcup_{k=j}^{\infty} E_k$ and $V_j = \bigcap_{k=j}^{\infty} E_k$ satisfy $U_j \searrow \limsup E_k$ and $V_j \nearrow \liminf E_k$. Then $\limsup E_k$ consists of those points of \mathbf{R}^n that belong to infinitely many E_k and $\liminf E_k$ to those that belong to all E_k for $k \geq k_0$ (where k_0 may vary from point to point). Thus $\liminf E_k \subset \limsup E_k$.

If E_1 and E_2 are two sets, we define $E_1 \setminus E_2$ by $E_1 \setminus E_2 = E_1 \cap \mathbb{C}E_2$ and call it the difference of E_1 and E_2 or the relative complement of E_2 in E_1 . We will often have occasion to use de Morgan laws, which govern relations between complements, unions, and intersections; these state that

$$\mathbb{C}\left(\bigcup_{E\in\mathcal{F}}E\right) = \bigcap_{E\in\mathcal{F}}\mathbb{C}E, \qquad \mathbb{C}\left(\bigcap_{E\in\mathcal{F}}E\right) = \bigcup_{E\in\mathcal{F}}\mathbb{C}E, \tag{2}$$

and are easily verified.

If $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{R}^n$, we say that a sequence $\{\mathbf{x}_k\}$ converges to \mathbf{x} , or that \mathbf{x} is the limit point of $\{\mathbf{x}_k\}$, if $\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_k\| \to 0$ as $k \to \infty$. We denote this by writing either $\mathbf{x} = \lim_{k \to \infty} \mathbf{x}_k$ or $\mathbf{x}_k \to \mathbf{x}$ as $k \to \infty$. A point $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{R}^n$ is called a *limit point of a set* E if it is the limit point of a sequence of distinct points of E. A point $\mathbf{x} \in E$ is called a *isolated point* of E if it is not the limit point of any sequence in E (excluding the trivial sequence $\{\mathbf{x}_k\}$ where $\mathbf{x}_k = \mathbf{x}$ for all $k \in \mathbf{N}$). It follows that \mathbf{x} is isolated if and only if there is a $\delta > 0$ such that $\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\| > \delta$ for every $\mathbf{y} \in E$, $\mathbf{y} \neq \mathbf{x}$.

For sequences $\{x_k\}$ in \mathbf{R} , we will write $\lim_{k\to\infty} x_K = \infty$, or $x_k\to\infty$ as $k\to\infty$, if given M>0 there is an integer N such that $x_k\geq M$ whenever $k\geq M$.

A sequence $\{\mathbf{x}_k\}$ in \mathbf{R}^n is called a *Cauchy sequence* if given $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists an integer N such that $\|\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}_\ell\| < \varepsilon$ for all $k, \ell \geq N$. \mathbf{R}^n is a complete metric space, i.e., every Cauchy sequence in \mathbf{R}^n converges to a point of \mathbf{R}^n .

A set $E \subset E_1$ is said to be *dense* in E_1 if for every $\mathbf{x}_1 \in E_1$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ there is a point $\mathbf{x} \in E$ such that $0 < \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_1\| < \varepsilon$. Thus, E is dense in E_1 if every point of E_1 is a limit point of E. If $E = E_1$, we say E is *dense* in *itself*. As an example, the set of limit points of \mathbf{R}^n each of whose coordinates is a rational number is dense in \mathbf{R}^n . Since this set is also countable, it follows that \mathbf{R}^n is *separable*, by which we mean that \mathbf{R}^n has a countable dense subset.

For nonempty subsets E of \mathbf{R} , we use the standard notation $\sup E$ and $\inf E$ for the supremum (least upper bound) and infimum (greatest lower bound) of E. In case $\sup E$ belong to E, it will be called $\max E$; similarly, $\inf E$ will be called $\min E$ if it belongs to E.

If $\{a_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ is a sequence of points in \mathbf{R} , let $b_j = \sup_{k \geq j} a_k$ and $c_j = \inf_{k \geq j} a_k$, $j = 1, 2, \ldots$ Then $-\infty \leq c_j \leq b_j \leq \infty$ and $\{b_j\}$ and $\{c_j\}$ are monotone decreasing and increasing, respectively; that is, $b_j \geq b_{j+1}$ and $c_j \leq c_{j+1}$. Define $\limsup_{k \to \infty} a_k$ and $\liminf_{k \to \infty} a_k$ by

$$\limsup_{k \to \infty} a_j = \lim_{j \to \infty} b_j = \lim_{j \to \infty} \left\{ \lim_{k \ge j} a_k \right\},$$

$$\liminf_{k \to \infty} a_k = \lim_{j \to \infty} C_j = \lim_{j \to \infty} \left\{ \lim_{k \ge j} a_k \right\}.$$
(3)

Theorem 1 (1.4). (a) $L = \limsup_{k \to \infty} a_k$ if and only if (i) there is a subsequence $\{a_{k_j}\}$ of $\{a_k\}$ that converges to L and (ii) if L' > L, there is an integer N such that $a_k < L'$ for $k \ge N$.

(b) $\ell = \liminf_{k \to \infty} a_k$ if and only if (i) there is a subsequence $\{a_{k_j}\}$ of $\{a_k\}$ that converges to ℓ and (ii) if $\ell' < \ell$, there is an integer N such that $a_k > \ell'$ for $k \ge N$.

Thus, when they are finite, $\limsup a_k$ and $\liminf a_k$ are the largest and smallest limit points of $\{a_k\}$, respectively.

We can also use the metric on \mathbf{R} to define the diameter of a set E by letting

$$\operatorname{diam} E = \{ \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\| : \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in E \}. \tag{4}$$

If the diameter of E is finite, E is said to be bounded. Equivalently, E is bounded if there is a finite constant M such that $\|\mathbf{x}\| \leq M$ for all $\mathbf{x} \in E$. If E_1 and E_2 are two sets, the distance between E_1 and E_2 is defined by

$$d(E_1, E_2) = \inf\{ \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\| : \mathbf{x} \in E_1, \mathbf{y} \in E_2 \}.$$
 (5)

For $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{R}^n$ and $\delta > 0$, the set

$$B(\mathbf{x}, \delta) = \{ \mathbf{y} : ||bfx - \mathbf{y}|| < \delta \}$$
 (6)

is called the open ball with center \mathbf{x} and radius δ . A point \mathbf{x} of a set E is called an interior point of E if there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $B(\mathbf{x}, \delta) \subset E$. The collection of all interior points of E is called the interior of E and denoted E° . A set E is said to be open if $E^{\circ} = E$; that is, E is open if for each $\mathbf{x} \in E$ there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $B(\mathbf{x}, \delta) \subset E$. The empty set \emptyset is open by convention. The whole space \mathbf{R}^n is clearly open and $B(\mathbf{x}, \delta)$ is evidently open. We will generally denote open sets by the letter G.

A set E is called *closed* if $\complement E$ is open. Note that \emptyset and \mathbf{R}^n are closed. Closed sets will generally be denoted by the letter F. The union of a set E and all its limit points is called the *closure* of E and written \bar{E} . By the *boundary* of E, we mean $\partial E = \bar{E} \setminus E^{\circ}$.

Theorem 2 (1.5). (i)
$$B(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \delta) = \{ \mathbf{y} : ||\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|| \le \delta \}$$

- (ii) E is closed if and only if $E = \bar{E}$; that is, E is closed if and only if it contains all of its limit points.
- (iii) \bar{E} is closed, and \bar{E} is the smallest closed set containing E; that is, F is closed and $E \subset F$, then $\bar{E} \subset F$.

(The rest of this is a bunch of theorems that can be expressed in more generality from a more topological perspective. At any rate, they are very basic.)

Consider a collection $\{A\}$ of sets A. A set is said to be of $type\ A_{\delta}$ if it can be written as a countable intersection of sets A and of $type\ A_{\sigma}$ if it can be written as a countable union of sets A. The most common uses of this notation are G_{δ} and F_{σ} , where $\{G\}$ denotes open sets in \mathbb{R}^n and $\{F\}$ closed sets. Hence, H is of $type\ G_{\delta}$ if

$$H = \bigcap_{k} G_{k}, \qquad G_{k} \text{ open}, \tag{7}$$

and is of type F_{σ} if

$$H = \bigcap_{k} F_k, \qquad F_k \text{ closed.}$$
 (8)

The complement of a G_{δ} set is an F_{σ} and vice-a-versa.

Another type of set that we have the occasion to use is the *perfect set*, by which we mean a closed set C each of whose points is a limit point of C. Thus, a perfect set is a closed set that is dense in itself.

Theorem 3 (1.9). A perfect set is uncountable.

Other special sets that will be important are n-dimensional intervals. When n=1 and a < b, we will use the usual notations $[a,b] = \{x: a \le x \le b\}$, $(a,b) = \{x: a < x < b\}$, etc. Whenever we use just the word interval, we generally mean closed interval. An n-dimensional interval I is a subset of \mathbf{R}^n of the form $I = \{\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n): a_k \le x_k \le b_k, k = 1, \dots, n\}$, where $a_k < b_k, k = 1, \dots, n$. An interval is thus closed, and we say it has edges parallel to the coordinate axes. If the edge lengths $b_k - a_k$ are all equal, I will be called an n-dimensional cube with edges parallel to the coordinate axes. Cubes will usually be denoted by the letter Q. Two intervals are said to be nonoverlapping if their interiors are disjoint, that is, if the most they have in common is some part of their boundaries. A set equal to an interval minus will be called a partly-open interval. By definition, the partly-open interval partly-open interval.

$$\operatorname{vol}(I) = \prod_{k=1}^{n} (b_k - a_k). \tag{9}$$

More generally, if $\{\mathbf{e}_k\}_{k=1}^n$ is any given set of n vectors emanating from a point in \mathbf{R}^n , we will consider the closed *parallelepiped*

$$P = \left\{ \mathbf{x} : \mathbf{x} = \sum_{k=1}^{n} t_k \mathbf{e}_k, \ 0 \le t_k \le 1 \right\}.$$
 (10)

Note that the edges of P are parallel translates of \mathbf{e}_k . Thus, P is an interval if the \mathbf{e}_k are parallel to the coordinate axes. The *volume* vol P of P is *by definition* the absolute value of the $n \times n$ determinant having $\mathbf{e}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{e}_n$ as rows. In case P is an interval, this definition agrees with the one given earlier. A linear transformation T of \mathbf{R}^n transforms a parallelapiped P into a parallelapiped P' with volume vol $P' = |\det T|$ vol P. In particular, rotation of the axes in \mathbf{R}^n does not change the volume of a parallelapiped.

Theorem 4 (1.10). Every open set in **R** can be written as a countable union of disjoint open intervals.

Proof. Let G be an open subset of \mathbf{R} . For each x in G, by Zorn's lemma, we may choose a maximal interval $I_x \subset G$. Now, if $x, x' \in G$ are distinct points, then, by maximality, either $I_x = I_{x'}$ or $I_x \cap I_{x'} = \emptyset$. Clearly, $G = \bigcup_{x \in G} I_x$. Since each I_x contains a rational number, the number of distinct I_x must be countable, and the theorem follows.

Theorem 5 (1.11). Every open set in \mathbb{R}^n , $n \geq 1$, can be written as a countable union of nonoverlapping (closed) cubes. It can also be written as a countable union of disjoint partly open cubes.

Proof. The proof is analogous to that of Theorem 1.10, but more general. Consider a lattice of points of \mathbb{R}^n with integral coordinates and the corresponding net K_0 of cubes with edge length 1 and vertices. Bisecting each edge of a cube in K_0 , we obtain from it 2^n subcubes of edge length 1/2. The total collection of these subcubes for every cube in K_0 forms a net K_1 of cubes. If we continue bisecting, we obtain finer and finer nets K_j of cubes such that each cube in K_j has edge length 2^{-j} and is the union of 2^n nonoverlapping cubes in K_{j+1} .

Now let G be any open set in \mathbb{R}^n . Let S_0 be the collection of all cubes K_0 that lie entirely in G. Let S_1 be those cubes in K_1 that lie in G but are not subcubes of any cube in S_0 . More generally, for $j \geq 1$, let S_j be the cubes in K_j that lie in G but that are not subcubes of any cube in S_0, \ldots, S_{j-1} . If S denotes the total collection of cubes from all the S_j , then S is countable since each K_j is countable, and the cubes in S are nonoverlapping by construction. Hence, $G = \bigcup_{Q \in S} Q$, which proves the first statement.

The second part of the statement is left as an exercise to me, but I'm not interested in solving it; there is nothing to be gained from attempting a solution to it.

The collection $\{Q: Q \in K_j, j = 1, 2, ...\}$ constructed above is called a family of dyadic cubes. In general, by *dyadic cubes*, we mean the family of cubes obtained from repeated bisection of any initial net of cubes in \mathbb{R}^n .

It follows from Theorem 1.10 that any closed set in \mathbf{R} can be constructed by deleting a countable number of open disjoint intervals from \mathbf{R} .

By cover of a set E, we mean a family \mathcal{F} of sets A such that $E \subset \bigcup_{A \in \mathcal{F}} A$. A subcover \mathcal{F}' of a cover \mathcal{F} is a cover with the property that $A' \in \mathcal{F}$ whenever $A' \in \mathcal{F}'$. A cover \mathcal{F} is called an open cover if each set in \mathcal{F} is open.

Theorem 6 (1.12). (a) (The Heine–Borel theorem) A set $E \subset \mathbf{R}^n$ is compact if and only if it is closed and bounded.

(b) A set $E \subset \mathbf{R}^n$ is compact if and only if every sequence of points in E has a subsequence that converges to a point of E.

By a function f defined for \mathbf{x} in a set $E \subset \mathbf{R}^n$, we will always mean a real-valued function, unless explicitly stated otherwise. By real-valued, we generally mean extended real-valued, i.e., f may take the values $\pm \infty$; if $|f(\mathbf{x})| < \infty$ for all $\mathbf{x} \in E$, we say f is finite (or finite-valued) on E. A finite function f is said to be bounded on E if there is a finite number M such that $|f(\mathbf{x})| \leq M$ for $\mathbf{x} \in E$; that is, f is bounded on E if $\sup |f(\mathbf{x})|$, where $\mathbf{x} \in E$, is finite. A sequence $\{f_k\}$ of functions is said to be uniformly bounded on E if there is a finite M such that $|f_k(\mathbf{x})| \leq M$ for $\mathbf{x} \in E$ and all k.

By the *support* of f, we mean the closure of the set where f is not zero. Thus, the support of a function is always closed. It follows that a function defined in \mathbb{R}^n has *compact support* if and only if it vanishes outside some bounded set.

A function f defined on an interval I in \mathbf{R} is called monotone increasing (decreasing) if $f(x) \leq f(y)$ $[f(x) \geq f(y)]$ whenever x < y and $x, y \in I$. By strictly monotone increasing (decreasing), we mean that f(x) < f(y) [f(x) > f(y)] if x < y and $x, y \in I$.

Let f be defined on $E \subset \mathbf{R}^n$ and let \mathbf{x}_0 be a limit point of E. Let $B'(\mathbf{x}_0, \delta) = B(\mathbf{x}_0, \delta) \setminus \{\mathbf{x}_0\}$ denote the punctured ball with center \mathbf{x}_0 and radius δ , and let

$$M(\mathbf{x}_0, \delta) = \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in B'(\mathbf{x}_0, \delta) \cap E} f(\mathbf{x}), \qquad m(\mathbf{x}_0, \delta) = \inf_{\mathbf{x} \in B'(\mathbf{x}_0, \delta) \cap E} f(\mathbf{x}).$$
(11)

As $\delta \setminus 0$, $M(\mathbf{x}_0, \delta)$ decreases and $m(\mathbf{x}_0, \delta)$ increases, and we define

$$\limsup_{\substack{\mathbf{x} \to \mathbf{x}_0 \\ \mathbf{x} \in E}} f(\mathbf{x}) = \lim_{\delta \to 0} M(\mathbf{x}_0, \delta)
\liminf_{\substack{\mathbf{x} \to \mathbf{x}_0 \\ \mathbf{x} \in E}} f(\mathbf{x}) = \lim_{\delta \to 0} m(\mathbf{x}_0, \delta).$$
(12)

Theorem 7 (1.14). (a) $M = \limsup_{\mathbf{x} \to \mathbf{x}_0; \mathbf{x} \in E} f(\mathbf{x})$ if and only if (i) there exist \mathbf{x}_k in $E \setminus \{\mathbf{x}_0\}$ such that $\mathbf{x}_k \to \mathbf{x}_0$ and $f(\mathbf{x}_k) \to M$ and (ii) if M' > M, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $f(\mathbf{x}) < M'$ for $\mathbf{x} \in B'(\mathbf{x}_0, \delta) \cap E$.

(b) $m = \liminf_{\mathbf{x} \to \mathbf{x}_0; \mathbf{x} \in E} f(\mathbf{x})$ if and only if (i) there exist \mathbf{x}_k in $E \setminus \{\mathbf{x}_0\}$ such that $\mathbf{x}_k \to \mathbf{x}_0$ and $f(\mathbf{x}_k) \to m$ and (ii) if m' < m, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $f(\mathbf{x}) > m'$ for $\mathbf{x} \in B'(\mathbf{x}_0, \delta) \cap E$.

A function f defined on a neighborhood of \mathbf{x}_0 is said to be *continuous* at \mathbf{x}_0 if $f(\mathbf{x}_0)$ is finite and $\lim_{\mathbf{x}\to\mathbf{x}_0} f(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x}_0)$. If f is not continuous at \mathbf{x}_0 , it follows that unless $f(\mathbf{x}_0)$ is infinite, either $\lim_{\mathbf{x}\to\mathbf{x}_0} f(\mathbf{x})$ does not exist or is different from $f(\mathbf{x}_0)$.

For functions on \mathbf{R} , we will use the notation

$$f(x_0+) = \lim_{\substack{x \to x_0 \\ x > x_0}} f(x) \qquad f(x_0-) = \lim_{\substack{x \to x_0 \\ x < x_0}} f(x). \tag{13}$$

for the right- and left-hand limits of f at x_0 , when they exist. If $f(x_0+)$, $f(x_0-)$, and $f(x_0)$ exist and are finite, but f is not continuous at x_0 , then either $f(x_0+) \neq f(x_0-)$ or $f(x_0+) = f(x_0-) \neq f(x_0)$. In the first case, x_0 is called a jump discontinuity of f and in the second, a removable discontinuity of f (since by changing the value of f at x_0 , we can make it continuous there). Such discontinuities are said to be of the first kind, as distinguished from those of the second kind, for which either $f(x_0+)$ or $f(x_0-)$ does not exist or for which $f(x_0+)$, $f(x_0-)$ or $f(x_0)$ are infinite.

If f is defined only in a set E containing \mathbf{x}_0 , $E \subset \mathbf{R}^n$, then f is said to be *continuous at* \mathbf{x}_0 relative to to E if $f(\mathbf{x}_0)$ is finite and either \mathbf{x}_0 is an isolated point of E or \mathbf{x}_0 is a limit point of E and $\lim_{\mathbf{x} \to \mathbf{x}_0; \mathbf{x} \in E} f(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x}_0)$. If $E' \subset E$, a function is said to be *continuous in* E' relative to E if it is continuous relative to E at every point of E'.

Theorem 8 (1.15). Let E be a compact set in \mathbb{R}^n and f be continuous in E relative to E. Then the following are true:

(i) f is bounded on E, $\sup_{\mathbf{x}\in E} |f(\mathbf{x})| < \infty$.

- (ii) f attains its supremum and infimum on E; i.e., there exists $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2 \in E$ such that $f(\mathbf{x}_1) = \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in E} f(\mathbf{x}), f(\mathbf{x}_2) = \inf_{\mathbf{x} \in E} f(\mathbf{x}).$
- (iii) f is uniformly continuous on E relative to E; i.e., given $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $|f(\mathbf{x}) f(\mathbf{y})| < \varepsilon$ if $||\mathbf{x} \mathbf{y}|| < \delta$ and $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in E$.

Theorem 9 (1.16). Let $\{f_k\}$ be a sequence of functions defined on E that are continuous in E relative to E and that converge uniformly on E to a finite f. Then f is continuous in E relative to E.

A transformation T of a set $E \subset \mathbf{R}^n$ into \mathbf{R}^n is a mapping $\mathbf{y} = T\mathbf{x}$ that carries points $\mathbf{x} \in E$ into points $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbf{R}^n$. If $\mathbf{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$, then T can be identified with the collection of coordinate functions $y_k = f_k(\mathbf{x}), k = 1, \dots, n$, which are induced by T. The *image* of E under T is the set $\{\mathbf{y} : \mathbf{y} = T\mathbf{x} \text{ for some } \mathbf{x} \in E, \}$. T is continuous at $\mathbf{x}_0 \in E$ relative to E.

Theorem 10 (1.17). Let $\mathbf{y} = T\mathbf{x}$ be a transformation of \mathbf{R}^n that is continuous in E relative to E. If E is compact, then so is the image TE.

If f is defined and bounded on an interval $I = \{ \mathbf{x} : \mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n), a_k \le x_k \le b_k, k = 1, \dots, n \}$ in \mathbf{R}^n , its Riemann integral will be denoted

$$(R) \int_{a_1}^{b_1} \cdots \int_{a_n}^{b_n} f(x_1, \dots, x_n) dx_1 \cdots dx_n \qquad \text{or} \qquad (R) \int_I f(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$$
 (14)

and is defined as follows. Partition I into a finite collection Γ of nonoverlapping intervals, $\Gamma = \{I_k\}_{k=1}^N$, and define the norm $\|\Gamma\|$ of Γ to by $\|\Gamma\| = \max_k \operatorname{diam} I_k$. Select a point $\vec{\xi}_k$ in I_k for $k \geq 1$, and let

$$R_{\Gamma}(\vec{\xi}_{1}, \dots, \vec{\xi}_{n}) = \sum_{k=1}^{N} f(\vec{\xi}_{k}) \operatorname{vol}(I_{k})$$

$$U_{\Gamma}(\vec{\xi}_{1}, \dots, \vec{\xi}_{n}) = \sum_{k=1}^{N} \left[\sup_{\mathbf{x} \in I} f(\mathbf{x}) \right] \operatorname{vol}(I_{k})$$

$$L_{\Gamma}(\vec{\xi}_{1}, \dots, \vec{\xi}_{n}) = \sum_{k=1}^{N} \left[\inf_{\mathbf{x} \in I_{k}} f(\mathbf{x}) \right] \operatorname{vol}(I_{k}).$$
(15)

We define the Riemann integral by saying that $A = (R) \int_I f(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$ if $\lim_{\|\Gamma\| \to 0} R_{\Gamma}$ exists and equals A; that is, if given $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $|A - R_{\Gamma}| < \varepsilon$ for any Γ and any chosen $\{\vec{\xi}_k\}$, provided only that $\|\Gamma\| < \delta$. This definition is actually equivalent to the statement that

$$\inf_{\Gamma} U_{\Gamma} = \sup_{\Gamma} L_{\Gamma} = A. \tag{16}$$

The integral of course exists if f is continuous on I.

Let f be a real-valued function that is defined and finite for all x in a closed bounded interval $a \le x \le b$. Let $\Gamma = \{x_0, \dots, x_m\}$ be a partition of [a, b]; that is, Γ is a collection of points x_i , $i = 0, 1, \dots, m$, satisfying $x_0 = a$, $x_m = b$, and $x_{i-1} < x_i$ for $i = 1, \dots, m$. With each partition Γ we associate the sum

$$S_{\Gamma} = S_{\Gamma}[f; a, b] = \sum_{i=1}^{m} |f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})|.$$
(17)

The variation of f over [a, b] is defined as

$$V = V[f; a, b] = \sup_{\Gamma} S_{\Gamma}, \tag{18}$$

where the supremum is taken over all partitions Γ of [a,b]. The variation of V[f;a,b] will sometimes also be denoted by V[a,b] or V(f). Since $0 \leq S_{\Gamma} < \infty$, we have $0 \leq V \leq \infty$. If $V < \infty$, f is said to be of bounded variation on [a,b]; if $V = \infty$, f is of unbounded variation on [a,b].

Here are several examples

Examples 1. Suppose f is monotone in [a, b]. Then, clearly, each S_{Γ} equals |f(b) - f(a)|, and therefore V = |f(b) - f(a)|.

Examples 2. Suppose the graph of f can be split into a finite number of monotone arcs; that is, suppose $[a,b] = \bigcup_{i=1}^k [a_i,a_{i+1}]$ and f monotone in each $[a_i,a_{i+1}]$. Then $V = \sum_{i=1}^k |f(a_{i+1}) - f(a_i)|$. To see this, we use the result of the previous example and the fact, to be proved, in Theorem 2.2, that $V = \sum_{i=1}^k V[a_i,a_{i+1}]$.

Examples 3. Let f be defined by f(x) = 0 when $x \neq 0$ and f(0) = 1, and let [a, b] be any interval containing 0 in its interior. Then S_{Γ} is either 2 or 0 depending on whether x = 0 is a partition point or not. Thus, V[a, b] = 2.

If $\Gamma = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_m\}$ is a partition of [a, b], let $\|\Gamma\|$, called the *norm of* Γ , be defined as the longest subinterval of Γ :

$$\|\Gamma\| = \max_{i=1,\dots,m} x_i - x_{i-1}.$$
 (19)

If f is continuous on [a,b] and $\{\Gamma_j\}$ is a sequence of partitions [a,b] with $\|\Gamma_j\| \to 0$, we shall see in Theorem 2.9 that $V = \lim_{j \to \infty} S_{\Gamma_j}$. The example above shows that this may fail for functions that are discontinuous even at a single point: if we take f and [a,b] is in the example above and choose Γ_j such that x=0 is never a partition in the point, then $\lim S_{\Gamma_j} = 0$, while if we choose the Γ_j such that x=0 alternatively is and is not a point, then $\lim S_{\Gamma_j}$ does not exist.

Examples 4. Let f be the *Dirichlet function*, defined by f(x) = 1 for x rational and f(x) = 0 for x irrational. Then, clearly, $V[a, b] = \infty$ for any interval [a, b].

Examples 5. A function that is continuous on an interval is not necessarily of bounded variation on the interval. To see this, let $\{a_j\}$ and $\{d_j\}$, $j=1,2,\ldots$, be two monotone decreasing sequences in (0,1] with $a_1=1$, $\lim_{j\to\infty}a_j=\lim_{j\to\infty}d_j=0$ and $\sum d_j=\infty$. Construct a continuous function f as follows. On each subinterval $[a_{j+1},a_j]$, the graph of f consists of sides of the isosceles with base $[a_{j+1},a_j]$ and height d_j . Thus, $f(a_j)=0$, and if m_j denotes the midpoint of $[a_{j+1},a_j]$, then $f(m_j)=d_j$. If we further define f(0)=0, then f is continuous on [0,1]. Taking Γ_k to the be the partition defined by the points 0, $\{a_j\}_{j=1}^{k+1}$, and $\{m_j\}_{j=1}^k$, we see that $S_\Gamma=2\sum_{j=1}^k d_j$. Hence, $V[f;0,1]=\infty$.

Examples 6. A function f defined on [a, b] is said to satisfy the *Lipschitz condition* on [a, b], or be a *Lipschitz function* on [a, b], if there is a constant C such that

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \le C|x - y|$$

for all $x, y \in [a, b]$. Such a function is clearly of bounded variation, with $V[f; a, b] \leq C(b - a)$. For example, if f has a continuous derivative on [a, b], or even just a bounded derivative, then (by the mean-value theorem) f satisfies the Lipschitz condition on [a, b].

Theorem 11 (2.1). (i) If f is of bounded variation on [a, b], then f is bounded on [a, b].

(ii) Let f and g be of bounded variation on [a,b]. Then cf (for any real constant c), f+g, and fg are of bounded variation on [a,b]. Moreover, f/g is of bounded variation if there exist some $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $|g(x)| \ge \varepsilon$ for $x \in [a,b]$.

Proof by Carlos. And the proof of these two is rather clear.

For (i), we proceed by contradiction. Suppose that f is of bounded variation on the interval [a, b]. Then the variation V of f over [a, b] is finite. However, if f is unbounded on [a, b], for every positive real number M, there exists some $x \in [a, b]$ such that |f(x)| > M. In particular, for any $x' \in [a, b]$ we have

$$|f(x) - f(x')| > M.$$

In turn, this tells us that V > |f(x) - f(x')| > M for any partition Γ containing x, so $V = \infty$. This yields a contradiction.

For (ii), the proofs are simple. Suppose f is of bounded variation on [a, b] with variation V_f . Let c be a real constant, then

$$V[cf; a, b] = \sup_{\Gamma} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |cf(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})|$$

$$= |c| \sup_{\Gamma} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})|$$

$$= |c| V_f$$

$$< \infty.$$

Hence, cf is of bounded variation on [a, b]. Suppose f and g are of bounded variation on [a, b] with variation V_f and V_g , respectively. Then

$$V[f+g;a,b] = \sup_{\Gamma} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |(f+g)(x_i) - (f+g)(x_{i-1})|$$

$$= \sup_{\Gamma} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |(f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})) + (g(x_i) - g(x_{i-1}))|$$

$$\leq \sup_{\Gamma} \sum_{i=1}^{n} [|f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})| + |g(x_i) - g(x_{i-1})|]$$

$$= \sup_{\Gamma} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})| + \sup_{\Gamma} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |g(x_i) - g(x_{i-1})|$$

$$= V_f + V_g$$

$$< \infty.$$

Hence, f + g is of bounded variation. Suppose f and g are of bounded variation on [a, b] with variation V_f and V_g , respectively. Then

$$\begin{split} V[fg;a,b] &= \sup_{\Gamma} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |(fg)(x_i) - (fg)(x_{i-1})| \\ &= \sup_{\Gamma} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |f(x_i)g(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})g(x_{i-1})| \\ &= \sup_{\Gamma} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |f(x_i)g(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})g(x_i) + f(x_{i-1})g(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})g(x_{i-1})| \\ &= \sup_{\Gamma} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |(f(x_i)g(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})g(x_i)) - (f(x_{i-1})g(x_{i-1}) - f(x_{i-1})g(x_i))| \\ &= \sup_{\Gamma} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |g(x_i)||f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})| + \sup_{\Gamma} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |f(x_{i-1})||g(x_i) - g(x_{i-1})| \end{split}$$

by part (i), since f and g are b.v. on [a,b], they are bounded so there exists M and N such that |f(x)| < M, |g(x)| < M for all $x \in [a,b]$

$$= MV_f + NV_g$$
< ∞ .

Hence, fg is of bounded variation on [a, b]. Suppose that f and g are of bounded variation on [a, b] with variation V_f and V_g , respectively. Suppose, additionally that there exists $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $|g(x)| \ge \varepsilon$ for all $x \in [a, b]$. Then, we have

$$V[f/g; a, b] = \sup_{\Gamma} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |(f/g)(x_i) - (f/g)(x_{i-1})|$$

$$= \sup_{\Gamma} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left| \frac{f(x_i)}{g(x_i)} - \frac{f(x_{i-1})}{g(x_{i-1})} \right|$$

$$= \sup_{\Gamma} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left| \frac{g(x_{i-1})f(x_i) - g(x_i)f(x_{i-1})}{g(x_i)g(x_{i-1})} \right|$$

and since we have $g(x) > \varepsilon$ for any $x \in [a, b]$, $1/g(x) < 1/\varepsilon$ for any $x \in [a, b]$, so

$$\leq \sup_{\Gamma} \left[\frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} \sum_{i=1}^n |g(x_{i-1})f(x_i) - g(x_i)f(x_{i-1})| \right]$$

$$\leq \sup_{\Gamma} \left[\frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} \sum_{i=1}^n |g(x_{i-1})f(x_i) - g(x_{i-1})f(x_{i-1}) - (g(x_i)f(x_{i-1}) - g(x_{i-1})f(x_{i-1}))| \right]$$

etc. etc. etc.

Theorem 12 (2.2). (i) If [a', b'] is a subinterval of [a, b], then $V[a', b'] \leq V[a, b]$; that is, variation increases with interval.

(ii) If a < c < b, then V[a, b] = V[a, c] + V[c, b]; that is, variation is additive on adjacent intervals.

Carlos's proof. (i) follows from (ii). By recursively applying part (ii), we have

$$V[a,b] = V[a,a'] + V[a',b'] + V[b',b].$$

Hence,

$$V[a', b'] = V[a, b] - V[a, a'] - V[b', b]$$

$$\leq V[a, b]$$

as desired.

To see part (ii) let f be a real-valued function defined on [a,b]. If $V[f;a,b] = \infty$, there is nothing to show so suppose $V[f;a,b] < \infty$. Let c be a point in [a,b] not equal to either endpoint a or b.

Proof of (ii). Let $I=[a,b],\ I_I=[a,c],\ I_2=[c,b],\ V=V[a,b],\ V_1=V[a,c],\ {\rm and}\ V_2=V[c,b].$ If Γ_1 and Γ_2 are any partitions of I_1 and I_2 , respectively, then $\Gamma=\Gamma_1\cup\Gamma_2$ is one of I, and $S_{\Gamma}[I]=S_{\Gamma_1}[I_1]+S_{\Gamma_2}[I_2].$ Thus, $S_{\Gamma_1}[I_1]+S_{\Gamma_2}[I_2]\leq V.$ Therefore, taking the supremum over Γ_1 and Γ_2 separately, we obtain $V_1+V_2\leq V.$

To show the opposite inequality, let Γ be any partition I, and let $\bar{\Gamma}$ be Γ with c adjoined. Then $S_{\Gamma}[I] \leq S_{\bar{\Gamma}}[I]$, and $\bar{\Gamma}$ splits into partitions Γ_1 of I_1 and Γ_2 of I_2 . Thus, we have

$$S_{\Gamma}[I] \leq S_{\bar{\Gamma}}[I] = S_{\Gamma_1}[I_1] + S_{\Gamma_2}[I_2] \leq V_1 + V_2.$$

Therefore, $V \leq V_1 + V_2$, which completes the proof of (ii)

For any real number x, define

$$x^{+} = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x \le 0 \end{cases}, \qquad x^{-} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x > 0 \\ -x & \text{if } x \le 0 \end{cases}.$$

These are called the *positive* and *negative parts of x*, respectively, and satisfy the relations

$$x^+, x^- >$$
; $|x| = x^+ + x^-$; $x = x^+ - x^-$.

Given a finite function f on [a,b] and a partition $\Gamma = \{x_i\}_{i=0}^{\infty}$ of [a,b], define

$$P_{\Gamma} = P_{\Gamma}[f; a, b] = \sum_{i=1}^{m} [f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})]^{+}$$

$$N_{\Gamma} = N_{\Gamma}[f; a, b] = \sum_{i=1}^{m} [f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})]^{-}$$

Thus, P_{Γ} is the sum of the positive terms of S_{Γ} , and $-N_{\Gamma}$ is the sum of the negative terms of S_{Γ} . In particular, we have $P_{\Gamma} \geq 0$, $N_{\Gamma} \geq 0$,

$$P_{\Gamma} + N_{\Gamma} = S_{\Gamma},$$

$$P_{\Gamma} - N_{\Gamma} = f(b) - f(a).$$
(20)

1.2 Exam 2 Review

This is all of the material we covered before exam 2.

Let f be defined on E, and let \mathbf{x}_0 be a limit point of E in E. Then f is said to be *upper semicontinuous at* \mathbf{x}_0 if

$$\limsup_{\substack{\mathbf{x} \to \mathbf{x}_0 \\ \mathbf{x} \in E}} f(\mathbf{x}) \le f(\mathbf{x}_0). \tag{21}$$

Note that if $f(\mathbf{x}_0) = \infty$, then f is use at \mathbf{x}_0 automatically; otherwise, the statement that f is use at \mathbf{x}_0 means that given any $M > f(\mathbf{x}_0)$, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $f(\mathbf{x}) < M$ for all $\mathbf{x} \in E$ that lie in the ball $B_{\delta}(\mathbf{x}_0)$.

Similarly, f is said to be lower semicontinuous at \mathbf{x}_0 if -f is use at \mathbf{x}_0 .

Theorem (4.14). A function f is use relative to E if and only if $\{\mathbf{x} \in E : f(\mathbf{x}) > a\}$ is relatively closed (equivalently, if $\{\mathbf{x} \in E : f(\mathbf{x}) < a\}$ is relatively open) for all finite a

Proof of theorem 4.14. Suppose that f is use relative to E. Given a, let \mathbf{x}_0 be a limit point of $\{\mathbf{x} \in E : f(\mathbf{x}) > a\}$ in E. Then there exists $\mathbf{x}_k \in E$ such that $\mathbf{x}_k \to \mathbf{x}_0$ and $f(\mathbf{x}_k) \ge a$. Since f is use at \mathbf{x}_0 , we have $f(\mathbf{x}_0) \ge \lim \sup_{k \to \infty} f(\mathbf{x}_k)$. Therefore, $f(\mathbf{x}_0) \ge a$, so $\mathbf{x}_0 \in \{\mathbf{x} \in E : f(\mathbf{x}) > a\}$. Hence, $\{\mathbf{x} \in E : f(\mathbf{x}) > a\}$ is relatively closed.

Conversely, let \mathbf{x}_0 be a limit point of E that is in E. If f is not use at \mathbf{x}_0 , then $f(\mathbf{x}_0) < \infty$, and there exists M and $\{\mathbf{x}_k\}$ such that $f(\mathbf{x}_0) < M$, $\mathbf{x}_k \in E$, $\mathbf{x}_k \to \mathbf{x}_0$, and $f(\mathbf{x}_k) \geq M$. Hence, $\{\mathbf{x} \in E : f(\mathbf{x}) > a\}$ is not relatively closed since it does not contain all its limit points in $E > \blacksquare$

Theorem (4.17, Egorov's theorem). Suppose that $\{f_k\}$ is a sequence of measurable functions that converge a.e. in a set E of finite measure to a finite limit f. Then given $\varepsilon > 0$ there exits a closed subset F of E such that $|E \setminus F| < \varepsilon$ and $f_k \to f$ uniformly on F.

A function f defined on a measurable set E has property C on E if given $\varepsilon > 0$, there is a closed set $F \subset E$ such that

- (i) $|E \setminus F| < \varepsilon$
- (ii) f is continuous relative to F.

Theorem (4.20, Lusin's theorem). Let f be defined and finite on a measurable set E. Then f is measurable if and only if it has property C on E.

We start with a nonnegative function f defined on a measurable subset E of \mathbb{R}^n . Let's

$$\Gamma(f, E) = \{ (\mathbf{x}, f(\mathbf{x})) \in \mathbf{R}^{n+1} : \mathbf{x} \in E, f(\mathbf{x}) < \infty \},$$

$$R(f, E) = \{ (\mathbf{x}, y) \in \mathbf{R}^{n+1} : \mathbf{x} \in E, 0 \le y \le f(\mathbf{x}) \text{ if } f(\mathbf{x}) < \infty \text{ and } 0 \le y < \infty \text{ if } f(\mathbf{x}) = \infty \}.$$
(22)

 $\Gamma(f,E)$ is called the graph of f over E and R(f,E) the region under f over E.

If R(f, E) is measurable (as a subset of \mathbf{R}^{n+1}), its measure $|R(f, E)|_{\mathbf{R}^{n+1}}$ is called the *Lebesgue integral over* E, and we write

$$\int_{E} f(\mathbf{x})d\mathbf{x} = |R(f, E)|_{\mathbf{R}^{n+1}}.$$
(23)

This is sometimes written as

$$\int_E f$$

or at times the lengthy notation

$$\int \cdots \int f(x_1, \dots, x_n) dx_1 \cdots dx_n$$

is convenient.

Theorem (5.1). Let f be a nonnegative function defined on a measurable set E. Then $\int_E f$ exists if and only if f is measurable.

Lemma (5.3). If f is a nonnegative measurable function on E, $0 \le |E| \le \infty$, then $|\Gamma(f, E)| = 0$.

Theorem (5.5). (i) If f and g are measurable and if $0 \le g \le f$ on E, $\int_E g \le \int_E f$. In particular, $\int_E \inf f \le \int_E f$.

- (ii) If f is nonnegative and measurable on E and if $\int_E f$ is finite, then $f < \infty$ a.e. in E.
- (iii) Let E_1 and E_2 be measurable and $E_1 \subset E_2$. If f is nonnegative and measurable on E_2 , then $\int_{E_1} f \leq \int_{E_2} f$.

Theorem (5.6, the monotone convergence theorem for nonnegative functions). If $\{f_k\}$ is a sequence of nonnegative functions such that $f_k \nearrow f$ on E, then

$$\int_E f \to \int_E f.$$

Proof. By Theorem 4.12, f is measurable since it is the limit of a sequence of measurable functions. Since $R(f_k, E) \cup \Gamma(f, E) \nearrow R(f, E)$ and $|\Gamma(f, E)| = 0$, the result follows by Theorem 3.26 on the measure of a monotone convergent sequences of measurable sets.

Theorem (5.9). Let f be nonnegative on E. If |E| = 0, then $\int_E f = 0$.

Theorem (5.10). If f and g are nonnegative and measurable on E and if $g \leq f$ a.e. in E, then $\int_E g \le \int_E f.$ In particular, if f = g a.e. in E, then $\int_E f = \int_E g.$

Theorem (5.11). Let f be nonnegative and measurable on E. Then $\int_E f = 0$ if and only if f = 0

Corollary (5.12, Chebyshev's inequality). Let f be nonnegative and measurable on E. If a > 0,

$$\frac{1}{a} \int_{E} f \ge |\{\mathbf{x} \in E : f(\mathbf{x}) > a\}|.$$

Theorem (5.13). If f is nonnegative and measurable, and if c is any nonnegative constant, then

$$\int_{E} cf = c \int_{E} f.$$

Theorem (5.14). If f and g are nonnegative and measurable, then

$$\int_{E} (f+g) = \int_{E} f + \int_{E} g.$$

Corollary. Suppose that f and φ are measurable on E, $0 \le f \le \varphi$, and $\int_E f$ is finite. Then

$$\int_{E} (\varphi - f) = \int_{E} \varphi - \int_{E} f.$$

Theorem (5.16). If f_k , k = 1, 2, ..., are nonnegative and measurable, then

$$\int_{E} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f_k = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_{E} f_k.$$

Theorem (5.17, Fatou's lemma). If $\{f_k\}$ is a sequence of nonnegative measurable functions on E, then

$$\int_{E} \liminf_{k \to \infty} f_k \le \liminf_{k \to \infty} \int_{E} f_k.$$

Proof of Fatou's lemma.

Theorem (5.19, Lebesgue's dominated convergence theorem for nonnegative functions). Let $\{f_k\}$ be a sequence of nonnegative measurable functions on E such that $f_k \to f$ a.e. in E. If there exists a measurable function φ such that $f_k \leq \varphi$ a.e. for all k and if $\int_E \varphi$ is finite, then

$$\int_{E} f_{k} \longrightarrow \int_{E} f.$$

Theorem (5.21). Let f be measurable in E. Then f is integrable over E if and only if |f| is.

Theorem (5.22). If $f \in L(E)$, then f is finite a.e. in E.

Theorem (5.24). If $\int_E f$ exists and $E = \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} E_k$ is the countable union of disjoint measurable sets E_k , then

$$\int_{E} f = \sum_{k \in \mathbf{N}} \int_{E_k} f.$$

Theorem (5.25). If |E| = 0 or if f = 0 a.e. in E, then $\int_E f = 0$.

Theorem (5.32, monotone convergence theorem). Let $\{f_k\}$ be a sequence of measurable functions on E:

- (i) If $f_k \nearrow f$ a.e. on E and there exists $\varphi \in L(E)$ such that $f_k \ge \varphi$ a.e. on E for all k, then $\int_E f_k \to \int_E f$.
- (ii) If $f_k \searrow f$ a.e. on E and there exists $\varphi \in L(E)$ such that $f_k \leq \varphi$ a.e. on E for all k, then $\int_E f_k \to \int_E f$.

Theorem (5.33, uniform convergence theorem). Let $f_k \in L(E)$ for $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and let $\{f_k\}$ converge uniformly to f on E, $|E| < \infty$. Then $f \in L(E)$ and $\int_E f_k \to \int_E f$.

Theorem (5.34, Fatou's lemma). Let $\{f_k\}$ be a sequence of measurable functions on E. If there exists $\varphi \in L(E)$ such that $f_k \geq \varphi$ a.e. on E for all k, then

$$\int_{E} \liminf_{k \to \infty} f_k \le \liminf_{k \to \infty} \int_{E} f_k.$$

Corollary (5.35, reverse Fatou's lemma). Let $\{f_k\}$ be a sequence of measurable functions on E. If there exits $\varphi \in L(E)$ such that $f_k \leq \varphi$ a.e. on E for all k, then

$$\int_E \limsup_{k \to \infty} f_k \ge \limsup_{k \to \infty} \int_E f_k.$$

Theorem (5.36, Lebesgue's dominated convergenge theorem). Let $\{f_k\}$ be a sequence of measurable functions on E such that $f_k \to f$ a.e. in E. If there exists $\varphi \in L(E)$ such that $|f_k| \leq \varphi$ such that $|f_k| \leq \varphi$ a.e. in E for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$, then $\int_E f_k \to \int_E f$.

Corollary (5.37, bounded convergence theorem). Let $\{f_k\}$ be a sequence of measurable functions on E such that $f_k \to f$ a.e. in E. If $|E| < \infty$ there is a finite constant M such that $|f_k| \le M$ a.e. in E, then $\int_E f_k \to \int_E f$.

Theorem (6.1 Fubini's theorem). Let $f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \in L(I)$, $I = I_1 \times I_2$. Then

- (i) For almost every $\mathbf{x} \in I_1$, $f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ is measurable and integrable on I_2 as a function of \mathbf{y} ;
- (ii) As a function of \mathbf{x} , $\int_{I_2} f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y}$ is measurable and integrable on I_1 , and

$$\iint_{I} f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{y} = \int_{I_{1}} \left[\int_{I_{2}} f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} \right] d\mathbf{x}.$$

Theorem (6.8). Let $f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ be a measurable function defined on a measurable subset E of \mathbf{R}^{n+m} , and let $E_{\mathbf{x}} = \{ \mathbf{y} : (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \in E \}$.

- (i) For almost every $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{R}^n$, $f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ is a measurable function of \mathbf{y} on $E_{\mathbf{x}}$.
- (ii) If $f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \in L(E)$, then for almost every $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{R}^n$, $f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ is an integrable on $E_{\mathbf{x}}$ with respect to \mathbf{y} ; moreover $\int_{E_{\mathbf{x}}} f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y}$ is an integrable function of \mathbf{x} and

$$\iint_{E} f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{y} = \int_{\mathbf{R}^{n}} \left[\int_{E_{\mathbf{x}}} f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} \right] d\mathbf{x}.$$

Theorem (6.10, Tonelli's theorem). Let $f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ be nonnegative and measurable on an interval $I = I_1 \times I_2$ of \mathbf{R}^{n+m} . Then, for almost every $\mathbf{x} \in I_1$, $f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ is a measurable function of \mathbf{y} on I_2 . Moreover, as a function of \mathbf{x} , $\int_{I_2} f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y}$ is measurable on I_1 , and

$$\iint_I f(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{y} = \int_{I_1} \left[\int_{I_2} f(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y} \right] \!\! d\mathbf{x}$$

If f and g are measurable in \mathbb{R}^n , their convolution $(f * g)(\mathbf{x})$ is defined by

$$(f * g)(\mathbf{x}) = \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) g(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y},$$

provided the integral exists.

Theorem (6.14). If $f \in L(\mathbf{R}^n)$ and $g \in L(\mathbf{R}^n)$, then $(f * g)(\mathbf{x})$ exists for almost every $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{R}^n$ and is measurable. Moreover, $f * \in L(\mathbf{R}^n)$ and

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} |f * g| d\mathbf{x} \le \left(\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} |f| d\mathbf{x} \right) \left(\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} |g| d\mathbf{x} \right)$$
$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} (f * g)(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} = \left(\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f d\mathbf{x} \right) \left(\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} g d\mathbf{x} \right).$$

Corollary (6.16). If f and g are nonnegative and measurable on \mathbb{R}^n , then f * g is measurable on \mathbb{R}^n and

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} (f * g) d\mathbf{x} = \left(\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f d\mathbf{x} \right) \left(\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} g d\mathbf{x} \right).$$

Theorem (6.17, Marcinkiewicz). Let F be a closed subset of a bounded open interval (a, b), and let $\delta(x) = \delta(x, F)$ be the corresponding distance function. Then, given $\lambda > 0$, the integral

$$M_{\lambda}(x) = \int_{a}^{b} \frac{\delta(y)^{\lambda}}{|x - y|^{1 + \lambda}} dy$$

is finite a.e. in F. Moreover, $M_{\lambda} \in L(F)$ and

$$\int_{F} M_{\lambda} dx \le 2\lambda^{-1} |G|,$$

where $G = (a, b) \setminus F$.

1.3 Final Exam Review

Material covered since exam 2.

If f is a Riemann integrable function on an interval [a, b] in \mathbb{R} , then the familiar definition of its indefinite integral is

$$F(x) = \int_{a}^{x} f(y)dy, \qquad a \le x \le b.$$

The fundamental theorem of calculus asserts that F' = f if f is continuous. We will study an analogue of this result for Lebesgue integrable f and higher dimensions.

We must first find an appropriate definition of the indefinite integral. In two dimensions, for example, we might choose

$$F(x_1, x_2) = \int_{a_1}^{x_1} \int_{a_2}^{x_2} f(y_1, y_2) dy_1 dy_2.$$

It turns out, however, to be better to abandon the notion that the indefinite integral be a function of point and adopt the idea that it be a function of set. Thus, given $f \in L(A)$, where A is a measurable subset of \mathbb{R}^n , we define the *indefinite integral of* f to be the function

$$F(E) = \int_{E} f,$$

where E is any measurable subset of A.

F is an example of a set function, by which we mean any real-valued function F defined on a σ -algebra Σ of measurable sets such that

- (i) F(E) is finite for every $E \in \Sigma$.
- (ii) F is countably additive; that is, if $E = \bigcup_k E_k$ is a union of disjoint $E_k \in \Sigma$, then

$$F(E) = \sum_{k} F(E_k).$$

By Theorem 5.5 and 5.24, the indefinite integral of $f \in L(A)$ satisfies (i) and (ii) for the σ -algebra of measurable subsets of A.

Recall that the diameter of a set E is the value

$$\sup\{\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\| : \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in E\}.$$

A set function F(E) is called *continuous* if F(E) tends to zero as the diameter of E tends to zero; i.e., F(E) is continuous if, given $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that $|F(E)| < \varepsilon$ whenever the diameter of E is less than δ . An example of a function that is *not* continuous can be obtained by setting F(E) = 1 for any measurable set that contains the origin, and F(E) = 0 otherwise.¹

A set function F is called absolutely continuous with respect to the Lebesgue measure, or simply absolutely continuous if F(E) tends to zero as the measure of E tends to zero. Thus, F is absolutely

¹Why is this function not continuous. Consider the following argument: Let $\varepsilon = 1/2$ and let $B_k = B(\mathbf{0}, 1/k)$. Then as the diameter of B_k goes to zero, $F(B_k) = 1$ for all k so $F(B_k) \to 1 > 1/2$.

continuous if given a $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $|F(E)| < \varepsilon$ whenever the measure of E is less than δ .

A set function that is absolutely continuous is clearly continuous², however, the converse is false, as shown in the following example. Let A be the unit square in \mathbf{R}^2 , let D be the diagonal of A, and consider the σ -algebra of measurable subsets E of A for which $E \cap D$ is linearly measurable. For such E, let F(E) be the linear measure of $E \cap D$. Then F is a continuous set function. However, it is not absolutely continuous since the sets E containing a fixed segment of D whose \mathbf{R}^2 -measures are arbitrarily small.

Theorem 13 (7.1). If $f \in L(A)$, its definite integral is absolutely continuous.

Proof. We may assume that $f \ge 0$ by considering f^+ and f^- . Fix k and write f = g + h, where g = f whenever $f \le k$ and g = k otherwise. Given $\varepsilon > 0$, we may choose k so large that $0 \le \int_A h < \varepsilon/2$ and, a fortiori, $0 \le \int_E f < \varepsilon/2$. Since

$$\int |f - C| \le \int |f - f_{k_0}| + \int |f_{k_0} - C| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon.$$

we see that f has property A.

To prove the lemma, let $f \in L(\mathbf{R})$. Writing $f = f^+ - f^-$, we may assume that $f \geq 0$. Then

$$\int |\chi_G - \chi_E| = |G \setminus E| < \varepsilon.$$

so we may assume that $f = \chi_G$ for open set G of finite measure. Using Theorem 1.11, write G as the union of (partly open) disjoint intervals $G = \bigcup I_k$. If we let f_N be the characteristic function of $\bigcup_{k=1}^N I_k$, we obtain

$$\int |f - f_N| = \sum_{k=N+1}^{\infty} |I_k| \to 0$$

since $\sum_k |I_k| = |G| < \infty$, i.e., the series converges. By (2), it is enough to show that each f_N has property \mathcal{A} . But f_N is the sum χ_{I_k} , $k = 1, \ldots, N$, so it suffices by (1) to show that the characteristic function of any partly open interval I has property \mathcal{A} . This is practically self-evident: if I^* denotes an interval that contains the closure of I in its interior and that satisfies $|I^* \setminus I| < \varepsilon$, then for any continuous C, $0 \le C \le 1$, which is 1 in I and 0 outside I^* , we have

$$\int |chi_I - C| \le |I^* - I| < \varepsilon.$$

Theorem 14 (Simple Vitali lemma). Let E be a subset of \mathbb{R}^n with $|E|_e < \infty$, and let K be a collection of cubes Q covering E, then there exists a positive constant β , depending only on n, and a finite number of disjoint cubes, Q_1, \ldots, Q_N in K such that

$$\sum_{j=1}^{N} |Q_j| \ge \beta |E|_e$$

²Suppose F is absolutely continuous. Then, given $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $|F(E)| < \varepsilon$ whenever $|E| < \delta$.

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2.1 Exam 1 Prep

Problem 2.1. Let $E \subset \mathbf{R}^n$ be a measurable set, $r \in \mathbf{R}$ and define the set $rE = \{ r\mathbf{x} : \mathbf{x} \in E \}$. Prove that rE is measurable, and that $|rE| = |r|^n |E|$.

Proof. Define a linear map $T: \mathbf{R}^n \to \mathbf{R}^n$ by $\mathbf{x} \mapsto r\mathbf{x}$. Using the standard basis for \mathbf{R}^n , this map has the matrix presentation

$$T\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} r & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & r \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \tag{24}$$

which has determinant det $T = r^n$. By 3.35, we have $|E| = |T(E)| = r^n |E| = |rE|$.

Problem 2.2. Let $\{E_k\}$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$ be a collection of measurable sets. Define the set

$$\liminf_{k \to \infty} E_k = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\bigcap_{n=k}^{\infty} E_n \right).$$

Show that

$$\left| \liminf_{k \to \infty} E_k \right| \le \liminf_{k \to \infty} |E_k|.$$

Proof. If the $\liminf |E_k| = \infty$ the inequality holds trivially. Hence, we may, without loss of generality, assume that $\liminf |E_k| < \infty$. By 3.20, the set $\liminf E_k$ is measurable and we have

$$\left| \liminf_{k \to \infty} E_k \right| = \left| \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} F_k \right|, \tag{25}$$

where $F_k = \bigcap_{n=k}^{\infty} E_n$. Now, note that the collection of sets $F'_k = \bigcup_{\ell=1}^k F_\ell$ forms an increasing sequence of measurable sets $F'_k \nearrow F'$, where $F' = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} F_k = \liminf E_k$. Then, by 3.26 (i), we have

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} |F_k'| = |F'| = \left| \liminf_{k \to \infty} E_k \right|. \tag{26}$$

Hence, it suffices to show that $|F'_k| \leq |E_k|$ for all k, but this follows by monotonicity of the outer measure, 3.3, since $F'_k \subset E_k$. Thus, we have the desired inequality

$$\left| \liminf_{k \to \infty} E_k \right| \le \liminf_{k \to \infty} |E_k|. \tag{27}$$

Problem 2.3. Consider the function

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} |B(\mathbf{0}, x)| & x > 0\\ 0 & x = 0 \end{cases}.$$

Here $B(\mathbf{0}, r) = \{ \mathbf{y} \in \mathbf{R}^n : |\mathbf{y}| < r \}$. Prove that F is monotonic increasing and continuous.

Proof. That F is increasing is immediate from the monotonicity of the outer measure since for x < x' we have $B(\mathbf{0}, x) \subset B(\mathbf{0}, x')$ so, by 3.2, we have

$$|F(x)|B(\mathbf{0},x)| \le |B(\mathbf{0},x')| = F(x')$$

as desired.

To see that F is continuous, we will prove the following lemma

Lemma 15. For any x > 0, $xB(\mathbf{0}, 1) = B(\mathbf{0}, x)$.

Proof of lemma. If $\mathbf{y} \in xB(\mathbf{0},1)$ then $\mathbf{y} = x\mathbf{y}'$ for $\mathbf{y}' \in B(\mathbf{0},1)$. Thus, $|\mathbf{y}'| = |\mathbf{y}|/x < 1$ so $|\mathbf{y}| < x$ implies that $\mathbf{y} \in B(\mathbf{0},x)$. Hence, we have the containment $xB(\mathbf{0},1) \subset B(\mathbf{0},x)$.

On the other hand, if $\mathbf{y} \in B(\mathbf{0}, x)$ then $|\mathbf{y}| < x$ so $|\mathbf{y}/x| < 1$. Hence, $\mathbf{y}/x \in B(\mathbf{0}, 1)$ so $x(\mathbf{y}/x) = \mathbf{y} \in B(\mathbf{0}, x)$. Thus, $B(\mathbf{0}, x) \subset xB(\mathbf{0}, x)$ and equality holds.

In light of Lemma 15 and 3.35, for x > 0, we have

$$F(x) = |B(\mathbf{0}, x)| = |xB(\mathbf{0}, 1)| = x^n |B(\mathbf{0}, 1)|.$$
(28)

It is clear that F is continuous on the interval $[0,\infty)$ since F is a polynomial in x.

Problem 2.4. Let $f: \mathbf{R} \to \mathbf{R}$ be a function. Let C be the set of all points at which f is continuous. Show that C is a set of type G_{δ} .

Proof. From the topological definition of continuity, f is continuous at $x \in C$ if and only if for every neighborhood U of f(x), the preimage $f^{-1}(U)$ is a neighborhood of x. Now,

Let $x \in C$. Then, by the definition of continuity, for every natural number n > 0 there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $|x - x'| < \delta$ implies

$$|f(x) - f(x')| < \frac{1}{2n}.$$
 (29)

Let $x'', x' \in B(x, \delta)$. Then, by the triangle inequality, we have

$$|f(x') - f(x)''| = |f(x') - f(x) - (f(x'') - f(x))|$$

$$\leq |f(x') - f(x)| + |f(x'') - f(x)|$$

$$< \frac{1}{2n} + \frac{1}{2n}$$

$$= \frac{1}{n}.$$
(30)

In view of these estimates, define the set

$$A_n = \left\{ x \in \mathbf{R} : \text{there exists } \delta > 0 \text{ such that } x', x'' \in B(x, \delta) \text{ implies } |f(x') - f(x'')| < \frac{1}{n} \right\}.$$
 (31)

Good Lord, that was a long definition! We claim that $C = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$ and that A_n is open for all n. First, let us show that $C = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$. Let $x \in C$. Then for every n > 0, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $|x-x'| < \delta$ implies |f(x)-f(x')| < 1/n. Thus, $x \in A_n$ for all n so $x \in \bigcap A_n$. On the other hand, if $x \in \bigcap A_n$ for every n > 0, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $|x-x'| < \delta$ implies |f(x)-f(x')| < 1/n.

Fix $\varepsilon > 0$. By the Archimedean principle, there exists N > 0 such that $\varepsilon > 1/N$. Then, since $x \in A_N$ it follows that for some $\delta' > 0$, $|x - x'| < \delta'$ implies $|f(x) - f(x')| < 1/N < \varepsilon$. Thus, $x \in C$ and we conclude that $C = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$.

Lastly, we show that A_n is open. Let $x \in A_n$. Then there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $|x - x'| < \delta$ implies |f(x) - f(x')| < 1/n. In particular, this means that $B(x, \delta) \subset A_n$ for any $x' \in B(x, \delta)$ satisfies |f(x) - f(x')| < 1/n. Thus, A_n is open and we conclude that $C = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$ is a G_{δ} set.

Problem 2.5. Let $f: \mathbf{R} \to \mathbf{R}$ be a function. Is it true that if the sets $\{f = r\}$ are measurable for all $r \in \mathbf{R}$, then f is measurable?

Proof. No. Recall that, by definition, or 4.1, f is measurable if and only if $\{f > a\}$ for all $a \in \mathbf{R}$.

Problem 2.6. Let $\{f_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ be a sequence of measurable functions on **R**. Prove that the set $\{x: \lim_{k\to\infty} f_k(x) \text{ exists}\}$ is measurable.

Proof. The idea here should be to rewrite

$$E = \left\{ x : \lim_{k \to \infty} f_k(x) \text{ exists} \right\}$$
 (32)

as a countable union/intersection of measurable sets. Let $x \in E$. By the Cauchy criterion, for every N > 0 there exists a positive integer M such that $m, n \ge M$ implies $|f_n(x) - f_m(x)| < 1/N$. With this in mind, define

$$E_N = \left\{ x : \text{there exists } M \text{ such that } m, n \ge M \text{ implies } |f_n(x) - f_m(x)| < \frac{1}{N} \right\}. \tag{33}$$

Then, like for Problem 1.4, it is not too hard to see that the E_n 's are open and that $E = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n$. Thus, E is a G_{δ} set and therefore measurable.

Problem 2.7. A real valued function f on an interval [a,b] is said to be absolutely continuous if for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that for every finite disjoint collection $\{(a_k,b_k)\}_{k=1}^N$ of open intervals in (a,b) satisfying $\sum_{k=1}^N b_k - a_k < \delta$, one has $\sum_{k=1}^N |f(b_k) - f(a_k)| < \varepsilon$. Show that an absolutely continuous function on [a,b] is of bounded variation on [a,b].

Proof. Suppose $f:[a,b] \to \mathbf{R}$ is absolutely continuous. Then for fixed $\varepsilon = 1$, there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that for every finite disjoint collection $\{(a_k b_k)\}_{k=1}^N$ of open intervals in (a,b) satisfying $\sum_{k=1}^N b_k - a_k < \delta$, we have $\sum_{k=1}^N |f(b_k) - f(a_k)| < \varepsilon$. Let $\Gamma = \{x_k\}_{k=1}^N$ be a partition of [a,b] into closed intervals such that $x_{k+1} - x_k < \delta$, then by absolute continuity we have

$$V[f;\Gamma] = \sum_{k=1}^{N} |f(x_{k+1}) - f(x_k)|$$
< 1. (34)

Thus, f is b.v. on [a, b].

Problem 2.8. Let f be a continuous function from [a,b] into \mathbf{R} . Let $\chi_{\{c\}}$ be the characteristic function of a singleton $\{c\}$, i.e., $\chi_{\{c\}}(x)=0$ if $x\neq c$ and $\chi_{\{c\}}(c)=1$. Show that

$$\int_{a}^{b} f d\chi_{\{c\}} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } c \in (a, b) \\ -f(a) & \text{if } c = a \\ f(a) & \text{if } c = b \end{cases}.$$

Proof.

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3.1 Exam 2 Prep

Problem 3.1. Define for $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{R}^n$,

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} |\mathbf{x}|^{-(n+1)} & \text{if } \mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{0}, \\ 0 & \text{if } \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}. \end{cases}$$

Prove that f is integrable outside any ball $B_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{0})$, and that there exists a constant C>0 such that

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n \setminus B_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{0})} f(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} \le \frac{C}{\varepsilon}.$$

Proof. Recall that a real-valued function $f: \mathbf{R}^n \to \mathbf{R}$ is (Lebesgue) integrable over a subset E of \mathbf{R}^n (or, alternatively, f belongs to L(E)) if

$$\int_{E} f(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} < \infty.$$

Put $E = \mathbf{R}^n \setminus B_{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{0})$. Then, to show that f belongs to L(E) it suffices to prove the inequality

$$\int_{E} f(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} < \frac{C}{\varepsilon} \tag{35}$$

for some appropriate constant C. We proceed by directly computing the Lebesgue integral of f and employing Tonelli's theorem:

$$\int_{E} f(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} = \int_{E} \frac{d\mathbf{x}}{|\mathbf{x}|^{n+1}}$$

$$= \int \cdots \int_{E} \frac{dx_{1} \cdots dx_{n}}{(x_{1}^{2} + \cdots + x_{n}^{2})^{(n+1)/2}}$$

let E_i denote the projection of E onto its i-th coordinate and make the trigonometric substitution $x_1 = \sqrt{x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2} \tan \theta$, $dx_1 = \sqrt{x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2} \sec^2 \theta d\theta$ with $\theta \in (-\pi/2, -\tan^{-1}(\varepsilon)) \cup (\tan^{-1}(\varepsilon), \pi/2)$ giving us the integral

$$= \int_{E_n} \cdots \int_{E_2} \left[\frac{\cos^{n-1} \theta}{(x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2)^{n/2}} d\theta \right] dx_2 \cdots dx_n$$

which, by Tonelli's theorem, is

$$= \int_{E_n} \cdots \int_{E_2} \frac{dx_2 \cdots dx_n}{\left(x_2^2 + \cdots + x_n^2\right)^{n/2}} \left[\int_{E_\theta} \cos^{n-1} \theta d\theta \right]$$

where the integral

$$\int_{E_{\theta}} \cos^{n-1} \theta d\theta < \infty. \tag{36}$$

Proceeding in this manner, we eventually achieve the inequality

$$\int \cdots \int_{E} f(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} < C' \int_{E_{n}} \frac{dx_{n}}{x_{n}^{2}}$$

$$= 2C' \int_{\varepsilon}^{\infty} \frac{dx_{n}}{x_{n}^{2}}$$

$$= \frac{C}{\varepsilon}$$
(37)

as desired.

Problem 3.2. Let $\{f_k\}$ be a sequence of nonnegative measurable functions on \mathbb{R}^n , and assume that f_k converges pointwise almost everywhere to a function f. If

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f = \lim_{k \to \infty} \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f_k < \infty,$$

show that

$$\int_{E} f = \lim_{k \to \infty} \int_{E} f_k$$

for all measurable subsets E of \mathbf{R}^n . Moreover, show that this is not necessarily true if $\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f = \lim_{k\to\infty} f_k = \infty$.

Proof. This is probably some theorem I can't remember right now. But anyway, first we shall establish that the limit f of $\{f_k\}$ must be nonnegative a.e. in \mathbf{R}^n . For assume otherwise. Then there exists a collection of points \mathbf{x} in \mathbf{R}^n of nonzero \mathbf{R}^n -Lebesgue measure such that $f(\mathbf{x}) < 0$. But $f_k(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0$ for all $k \in \mathbf{N}$. Set $0 < \varepsilon < |f(\mathbf{x})|$ then we have

$$|f(\mathbf{x}) - f_k(\mathbf{x})| > |f(\mathbf{x})| > \varepsilon$$
 (38)

for all k which contradicts our assumption that $f_k \to f$ a.e. on \mathbf{R}^n . Therefore, the set of points $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{R}^n$ where $f(\mathbf{x}) < 0$ must have measure zero.

Now, based on pointwise convergence a.e. to f, given $\varepsilon > 0$ for a.e. $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{R}^n$ we have the following estimate

$$|f(\mathbf{x}) - f_k(\mathbf{x})| < \varepsilon \tag{39}$$

for sufficiently large k; say k greater than or equal to some index $N \in \mathbf{N}$. Moreover, we are given convergence in $L(\mathbf{R}^n)$ of f_k to f

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f_k \to \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f < \infty. \tag{40}$$

By monotonicity of the Lebesgue integral (Theorem 5.5(iii)), this implies that

$$\int_{E} f \le \int_{\mathbf{R}^{n}} f < \infty \tag{41}$$

and

$$\int_{E} f_k \le \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f_k < \infty \tag{42}$$

for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$. By Theorem 5.5(ii), f and the f_k 's are finite a.e. in \mathbb{R}^n so for some sufficiently large real number M, $|f|, |f_k| \leq M$ for a.e. $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. In particular, for any measurable subset E of \mathbb{R}^n , $|f|, |f_k| \leq M$ for a.e. $\mathbf{x} \in E$ so, by the bounded convergence theorem, we have the desired convergence

$$\int_{E} f_k \to \int_{E} f < \infty. \tag{43}$$

However, if f does not belong to $L(\mathbf{R}^n)$, i.e., its integral over \mathbf{R}^n is infinity, there is no guarantee that f will be finite a.e. in \mathbf{R}^n . This means that the bounded convergence theorem will fail to ensure convergence in integral for any measurable subset E of \mathbf{R}^n . Let us demonstrate this with an example. Consider the sequence of functions

Problem 3.3. Assume that E is a measurable set of \mathbb{R}^n , with $|E| < \infty$. Prove that a nonnegative function f defined on E is integrable if and only if

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |\{\mathbf{x} \in E : f(\mathbf{x}) \ge k\}| < \infty.$$

Proof. If f is integrable over a measurable subset E of \mathbb{R}^n , then

$$\int_{E} f(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} < \infty. \tag{44}$$

Set $E_k = \{ \mathbf{x} \in E : k+1 > f(\mathbf{x}) \geq k \}$ and $F_k = \{ \mathbf{x} \in E : f(\mathbf{x}) \geq k \}$. Note the following properties about the sets we have just defined: first, the E_k 's are pairwise disjoint and the F_k 's are nested in the following way $F_{k+1} \subset F_k$; second, $E = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} E_k$ and $E_k = F_k \setminus F_{k+1}$. By Theorem 3.23, since the E_k 's are disjoint, we have

$$|E| = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |E_k| < \infty. \tag{45}$$

Now, since $k\chi_{E_k}(\mathbf{x}) \leq f(\mathbf{x}) \leq (k+1)\chi_{E_k}(\mathbf{x})$ on E_k , we have

$$k|E_k| \le \int_{E_k} f(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} \le (k+1)|E_k|. \tag{46}$$

Then we have the following upper and lower estimates on the integral of f over E

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k|E_k| \le \int_E f(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} \le \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (k+1)|E_k|. \tag{47}$$

But note that $|E_k| = |F_k \setminus F_{k+1}| = |F_k| - |F_{k+1}|$ by Corollary 3.25 since the measures of E_k , F_k , and F_{k+1} are all finite. Hence, (47) becomes

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k(|F_k| - |F_{k+1}|) \le \int_E f(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} \le \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (k+1)(|F_k| - |F_{k+1}|). \tag{48}$$

A little manipulation of the series in the leftmost estimate gives us

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k(|F_{k}| - |F_{k+1}|) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k|F_{k}| - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k|F_{k+1}|$$

$$= |F_{1}| + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k|F_{k}| - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k|F_{k+1}|$$

$$= |F_{1}| + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (k+1)|F_{k+1}| - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k|F_{k+1}|$$

$$= |F_{1}| + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |F_{k+1}|$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |F_{k+1}|$$
(49)

and

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (k+1)(|F_k| - |F_{k+1}|) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (k+1)|F_k| - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (k+1)|F_{k+1}|$$

$$= |F_0| + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (k+1)|F_k| - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (k+1)|F_{k+1}|$$

$$= |F_0| + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (k+2)|F_{k+1}| - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (k+1)|F_{k+1}|$$

$$= |F_0| + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |F_{k+1}|$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |F_k|.$$
(50)

Thus, from (49) and (50)

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |F_k| \le \int_E f(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} \le \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |F_k| \tag{51}$$

so the integral $\int_E f$ converges if and only if the sum $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |F_k|$ converges.

Problem 3.4. Suppose that E is a measurable subset of \mathbb{R}^n , with $|E| < \infty$. If f and g are measurable functions on E, define

$$\rho(f,g) = \int_{E} \frac{|f-g|}{1+|f-g|}.$$

Prove that $\rho(f_k, f) \to 0$ as $k \to \infty$ if and only if f_k converges to f as $k \to \infty$.

Proof. \Longrightarrow : First note that ρ is strictly greater than or equal to zero since it is the integral of a nonnegative function. Suppose that $\rho(f_k, f) \to 0$ as $k \to \infty$. Then, given $\varepsilon > 0$ there exist an

sufficiently large index N such that for every $k \geq N$ we have

$$\rho(f_k, g) = \int_E \frac{|f_k - f|}{1 + |f_k - f|} < \varepsilon. \tag{52}$$

By Theorem 5.11, this means that the map

$$\frac{|f_k - f|}{1 + |f_k - f|}$$

is zero a.e. in E which happens if $|f_k - f| = 0$ a.e. in E.

 \iff : Suppose that $f_k \to f$ as $k \to \infty$.

I don't know how to solve this. This is the intended solution:

 \Longrightarrow : Given $\varepsilon > 0$, $\rho(f_k, f) \to 0$ implies that

$$\int_{\{x \in E: |f_k(x) - f(x)| > \varepsilon\}} \frac{|f_k - f|}{1 + |f_k - f|} dx \longrightarrow 0.$$

Observe that the function $\Phi \colon \mathbf{R}^+ \to \mathbf{R}$ given by $\Phi(x) = x/(1+x)$ is increasing on \mathbf{R}^+ and $0 < \Psi(x) < 1$, hence

$$\int_{\{x \in E: |f_k(x) - f(x)| > \varepsilon\}} \frac{|f_k - f|}{1 + |f_k - f|} dx \ge \int_{\{x \in E: |f_k(x) - f(x)| > \varepsilon\}} \frac{\varepsilon}{1 + \varepsilon} dx$$

$$= \frac{\varepsilon}{1 + \varepsilon} |\{x \in E: |f_k(x) - f(x)| > \varepsilon\}|.$$

Therefore,

$$|\{x \in E : |f_k(x) - f(x)| > \varepsilon\}| \le \frac{1+\varepsilon}{\varepsilon} \int_{\{x \in E : |f_k(x) - f(x)| > \varepsilon\}} \frac{|f_k - f|}{1 + |f_k - f|} dx \longrightarrow 0$$

as $k \to \infty$.

 \Leftarrow : Conversely, given $\delta > 0$, we have

$$\rho(f_k, f) = \int_{\{x \in E: |f_k(x) - f(x)| > \delta\}} \frac{|f_k - f|}{1 + |f_k - f|} dx + \int_{\{x \in E: |f_k(x) - f(x)| \le \delta\}} \frac{|f_k - f|}{1 + |f_k - f|} dx \le |\{x \in E: |f_k(x) - f(x)| > \delta\}| + \frac{\delta}{1 + \delta} |E|.$$

Since $|E| < \infty$ and $\delta/(1+\delta) \searrow 0$, then for any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta' > 0$ such that

$$\frac{\delta'}{1+\delta'}|E|<\frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

If $f_k \to f$ as $k \to \infty$ in measure, then for the above δ' there is an index N > 0 such that $k \ge N$ implies

$$|\{x \in E : |f_k(x) - f(x)| > \delta'\}| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

Therefore, $f_k \to f$ in measure implies $\rho(f_k, f) \to 0$ as $k \to \infty$.

Problem 3.5. Define the gamma function $\Gamma \colon \mathbf{R}^+ \to \mathbf{R}$ by

$$\Gamma(y) = \int_0^\infty e^{-u} u^{y-1} du,$$

and the beta function $\beta \colon \mathbf{R}^+ \times \mathbf{R}^+ \to \mathbf{R}$ by

$$\beta(x,y) = \int_0^1 t^{x-1} (1-t)^{y-1} dt.$$

- (a) Prove that the definition of the gamma function is well-posed, i.e., the function $u \mapsto e^{-u}u^{y-1}$ is in $L(\mathbf{R}^+)$ for all $y \in \mathbf{R}^+$.
- (b) Show that

$$\beta(x,y) = \frac{\Gamma(x)\Gamma(y)}{\Gamma(x+y)}.$$

Proof. (a) Fix $y \in \mathbb{R}^+$. Then we must show that $\Gamma(y) < \infty$. First, since (0,1) and $[1,\infty)$ are disjoint measurable subsets of \mathbb{R} , by Theorem 5.7 we can split the integral $\Gamma(y)$ into

$$\Gamma(y) = \underbrace{\int_{0}^{1} e^{-u} u^{y-1} du}_{I_{1}} + \underbrace{\int_{1}^{\infty} e^{-u} u^{y-1} du}_{I_{2}}.$$
 (53)

We will show, separately, that I_1 and I_2 are finite.

To see that I_1 is finite, note that

$$e^{-u}u^{y-1} = e^{-u}e^{(y-1)\log u}$$

$$= e^{-u+(y-1)\log u}$$

$$\leq e^{(y-1)\log u}$$

$$= u^{y-1}$$
(54)

since 0 < u < 1

$$I_{1} = \int_{0}^{1} e^{-u} u^{y-1} du$$

$$\leq \int_{0}^{1} u^{y-1} du$$

$$= \left[\frac{u^{y}}{y} \right]_{0}^{1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{y}$$

$$< \infty.$$

$$(55)$$

To see that I_2 is finite, note that

$$e$$
 (56)

Intended solution:

Problem 3.6. Let $f \in L(\mathbf{R}^n)$ and for $\mathbf{h} \in \mathbf{R}^n$ define $f_{\mathbf{h}} \colon \mathbf{R}^n \to \mathbf{R}$ be $f_{\mathbf{h}}(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{h})$. Prove that

$$\lim_{\mathbf{h} \to \mathbf{0}} \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} |f_{\mathbf{h}} - f| = 0.$$

Proof. Note that by the triangle inequality, we have the following estimate on the integral

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} |f_{\mathbf{h}}(\mathbf{x}) - f(\mathbf{x})| d\mathbf{x} \le \tag{57}$$

Problem 3.7. (a) If $f_k, g_k, f, g \in L(\mathbf{R}^n)$, $f_k \to f$ and $g_k \to g$ a.e. in \mathbf{R}^n , $|f_k| \leq g_k$ and

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} g_k \to \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} g,$$

prove that

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f_k \to \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f.$$

(b) Using part (a) show that if $f_k, f \in L(\mathbf{R}^n)$ and $f_k \to f$ a.e. in \mathbf{R}^n , then

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} |f_k - f| \to 0 \quad \text{as} \quad k \to \infty$$

if and only if

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} |f_k| \to \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} |f| \quad \text{as} \quad k \to \infty.$$

Proof. (a) Since $f_k \to f$ and $g_k \to g$ a.e. and $|f_k| \le g_k$, then by Fatou's theorem,

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} (g - f) = \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} \liminf_{k \to \infty} g_k - f_k \le \liminf_{k \to \infty} \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} g_k - f_k,$$
$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} g + f \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} \liminf_{k \to \infty} g_k + f_k \le \liminf_{k \to \infty} \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} g_k + f_k.$$

Since $f_k, g_k, f, g \in L(\mathbf{R}^n)$ and $\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} g_k \to \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} g$, then using the similar argument as problem 2, we have

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f \ge \limsup_{k \to \infty} \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f_k,$$

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f \le \liminf_{k \to \infty} \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f_k.$$

Therefore, $\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f_k \to \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f$.

(b) \Longrightarrow : This direction is obvious by the inequality

$$\left| \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} |f_k| - |f| \right| \le \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} ||f_k| - |f|| \le \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} |f_k - f|.$$

 $\Leftarrow=: \text{Let } g_k=|f_k|+|f| \text{ and } g=2|f|. \text{ Since } f_k, f\in L(\mathbf{R}^n) \text{ and } f_k\to f \text{ a.e., then } g_k, g\in L(\mathbf{R}^n) \text{ and } g_k\to g \text{ a.e. in } \mathbf{R}^n. \text{ By the assumption, } \int_{\mathbf{R}^n}g_k\to \int_{\mathbf{R}^n}g.$ Let $\tilde{f}_k=|f_k-f|. \text{ Then } \tilde{f}_k\to 0 \text{ a.e. in } \mathbf{R}^n \text{ and } \tilde{f}_k\le g_k. \text{ Applying part (a) to } \tilde{f}_k \text{ we have }$

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} \tilde{f}_k = \lim_{k \to \infty} \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} |f_k - f| = 0.$$

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Problem 3.8. Assume that $f \in L(\mathbf{R}^n)$. Show that for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a ball B, centered at the origin, such that

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n \setminus B} |f| < \varepsilon.$$

Proof. Recall that $f \in L(\mathbf{R}^n)$ if and only if $|f| \in L(\mathbf{R}^n)$. Let $B_k = B(\mathbf{0}, k)$ for $k \in \mathbf{N}$ and χ_{B_k} be the indicator function associated with B_k . Then, the sequence of maps $\{|f_k|\}$ defined $f_k = f\chi_{B_k}$ converge pointwise to $|f_k|$. Since $|f| \in L(\mathbf{R}^n)$, by the monotone convergence theorem, we have

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} |f_k| = \int_{B_k} |f| \longrightarrow \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} |f|. \tag{58}$$

But this means, exactly, that for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists sufficiently large $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$\varepsilon > \left| \int_{\mathbf{R}^{n}} |f_{k}| - \int_{\mathbf{R}^{n}} |f| \right|$$

$$= -\int_{\mathbf{R}^{n}} |f_{k}| + \int_{\mathbf{R}^{n}} |f|$$

$$= -\int_{\mathbf{R}^{n}} |f| + \int_{\mathbf{R}^{n}} |f|$$

$$= -\int_{B_{k}} |f| + \int_{\mathbf{R}^{n}} |f|$$

$$= \int_{\mathbf{R}^{n} \setminus B_{k}} |f|$$
(59)

as desired.

Problem 3.9. Let $f \in L(E)$, and let $\{E_j\}$ be a countable collection of pairwise disjoint measurable subsets of E, such that $E = \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} E_j$. Prove that

$$\int_{E} f = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \int_{E_j} f.$$

Proof. First, since the E_j 's are pairwise disjoint, by Theorem 3.23, we have

$$|E| = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |E_j|. \tag{60}$$

Let χ_{E_j} be the characteristic function of the subset E_j of E and define $f_j = f\chi_{E_j}$ for $j \in \mathbb{N}$. Note that, since both f and χ_{E_j} are measurable on E, f_j is measurable on E and $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} f_j = f$. Moreover, since $E_j \subset E$, by monotonicity of the integral we have

$$\int_{E} f = \int_{E_j} f + \int_{E \setminus E_j} f = \int_{E} f_j + \int_{E \setminus E_j} f.$$
 (61)

Hence, because the E_j 's are disjoint $(E \setminus E_k) \setminus E_\ell = (E \setminus E_\ell) \setminus E_k$ so

$$\int_{E} f = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \int_{E} f_{j} = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \int_{E_{j}} f$$
 (62)

as desired.

Problem 3.10. Let $\{f_k\}$ be a family in L(E) satisfying the following property: For any $\varepsilon > 0$ there exits $\delta > 0$ such that $|A| < \delta$ implies

$$\int_{A} |f_k| < \varepsilon$$

for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Assume $|E| < \infty$, and $f_k(x) \to f(x)$ as $k \to \infty$ for a.e. $x \in E$. Show that

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \int_E f_k = \int_E f.$$

(Hint: Use Egorov's theorem.)

Proof. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given. Then, by the hypothesis, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that such that $|A| < \delta$ implies

$$\int_{A} |f_k| < \varepsilon \tag{63}$$

for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$. By Egorov's theorem, there exists a closed subset F of E such that $|E \setminus F| < \delta$ and $f_k \to f$ uniformly on F. Then, by the uniform convergence theorem,

$$\int_{F} f_k \longrightarrow \int_{F} f \tag{64}$$

as $k \to \infty$. But by hypothesis, we have

$$\int_{E > E} |f_k| < \varepsilon. \tag{65}$$

Letting $\varepsilon \to 0$, we achieved the desired convergence.

Problem 3.11. Let $I = [0,1], f \in L(I),$ and define $g(x) = \int_x^1 t^{-1} f(t) dt$ for $x \in I$. Prove that $g \in L(I)$ and

$$\int_{I} g = \int_{I} f.$$

Proof. By Lusin's theorem, there exists a closed subset F of I with $|I \setminus F| < \varepsilon$ such that the restriction of f to $F = I \setminus E$ is continuous. Now, since F is closed in I and I is compact, it follows that I is compact. Hence, by the Stone–Weierstraß approximation theorem, there exist a sequence of polynomials $\{p_k\}$ such that $p_k \to f$ uniformly on F. Then, by the uniform convergence theorem, we have

$$\int_{F} p_k \longrightarrow \int_{F} f \tag{66}$$

so

$$\int_{F} \left[\int_{x}^{1} t^{-1} p_{k}(t) dt \right] dx = \int_{F} \left[\int_{x}^{1} a t^{-1} + q_{k}(t) dt \right] dx$$

$$= \int_{F} q'_{k}(x) - a \log(x) dx$$

$$< \infty \tag{67}$$

for all k and converges uniformly to g so $g \in L(I)$. I don't know how to show that in fact $\int_I g = \int_I f$. Perhaps you show that the places where they differ is a set of measure zero.