

## FINAL EXAMINATION

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SUBJECT: REAL ANALYSIS	
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**INSTRUCTIONS:** *Each student is allowed a scientific calculator and a maximum of two double-sided sheets of reference material (size A4 or similar), stapled together and marked with their name and ID. All other documents and electronic devices are forbidden.*

**Question 1.** [20 marks]

Suppose that  $X = A \cup B$  where  $A, B$  are nonempty and measurable. Show that a function  $f : X \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$  is measurable if and only if  $f$  is measurable on  $A$  and on  $B$ .

**Question 2.** [15 marks]

Show that if  $f$  is integrable on  $E$ ,  $g$  is measurable on  $E$ , and there exists a finite constant  $M$  such that  $|g| \leq M$  in  $E$ , then  $fg$  is integrable on  $E$  and  $\int_E |fg| d\mu \leq M \int_E |f| d\mu$ .

**Question 3.** [20 marks]

Let  $f$  be Lebesgue integrable on  $[-1, 1]$ . Show that the functions  $f_n(x) = x^n f(x)$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , are Lebesgue integrable on  $[-1, 1]$  and that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-1}^1 x^n f(x) dx = 0.$$

(Hint: Use the Dominated Convergence Theorem.)

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**Question 4.** [20 marks]

If  $f$  has a continuous derivative on  $[a, b]$ , show that  $V_a^b(f) \leq \int_a^b |f'(t)| dt$ .

(Hint: If  $a \leq x_i < x_{i+1} \leq b$ , then  $|f(x_{i+1}) - f(x_i)| = \left| \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} f'(t) dt \right|$ .

Derive that for any partition  $P$  of  $[a, b]$ ,  $V(f, P) \leq \int_a^b |f'(t)| dt$ .)

**Question 5.** [25 marks]

(a) [10 marks] Let  $S$  be a negative set of a signed measure  $\mu$ . Show that if  $A$  and  $B$  are measurable subsets of  $S$  with  $A \subset B$ , then  $\mu(A) \geq \mu(B)$ .

(b) [15 marks] Suppose that  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  are finite signed measures satisfying  $\nu \ll \lambda$ ,  $\mu \ll \lambda$ . Show that  $\nu + \mu \ll \lambda$  and the Radon-Nikodym derivative of  $\nu + \mu$  with respect to  $\lambda$  is

$$\frac{d}{d\lambda}(\nu + \mu) = \frac{d\nu}{d\lambda} + \frac{d\mu}{d\lambda}.$$

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## SOLUTIONS

### Question 1.

Suppose that  $f$  is measurable on  $X$ . For each  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \{x \in A : f(x) < \alpha\} &= A \cap \{x \in X : f(x) < \alpha\} \quad \text{and} \\ \{x \in B : f(x) < \alpha\} &= B \cap \{x \in X : f(x) < \alpha\} \end{aligned}$$

are measurable sets. Hence  $f$  is measurable on  $A$  and on  $B$ . [10 marks]

Conversely suppose that  $f$  is measurable on  $A$  and on  $B$ . Since  $X = A \cup B$ ,

$$\{x \in X : f(x) < \alpha\} = \{x \in A : f(x) < \alpha\} \cup \{x \in B : f(x) < \alpha\}.$$

As  $\{x \in A : f(x) < \alpha\}$  and  $\{x \in B : f(x) < \alpha\}$  are measurable, so are  $\{x \in X : f(x) < \alpha\}$ . [10 marks]

### Question 2.

Since  $f$  and  $g$  are measurable, so is  $fg$  [5 marks]. Condition  $|fg| \leq M|f|$  a.e. in  $E$  implies that

$$\int_E |fg| d\mu \leq \int_E M|f| d\mu = M \int_E |f| d\mu < \infty. \quad [6 \text{ marks}]$$

Hence  $|fg|$  is integrable on  $E$  and so is  $fg$ . [5 marks]

### Question 3.

Since  $x^n$  is continuous on  $[-1, 1]$ , it is Lebesgue measurable. Furthermore,  $f$  is Lebesgue measurable, so  $x^n f(x)$  is Lebesgue measurable on  $[-1, 1]$  [3 marks]. As  $f$  is Lebesgue integrable on  $[-1, 1]$ , it is finite a.e. on  $[-1, 1]$ , that is, the set  $N = \{x \in [-1, 1] : |f(x)| = \infty\}$  has Lebesgue measure zero [4 marks]. Thus  $m(N \cup \{-1, 1\}) = 0$ . For each  $x \in [-1, 1] \setminus (N \cup \{-1, 1\})$ ,  $x^n f(x) \rightarrow 0$  and hence,  $x^n f(x) \rightarrow 0$  a.e. on  $[-1, 1]$ . [5 marks] Moreover,  $|x^n f(x)| \leq |f(x)|$  on  $[-1, 1]$  and  $f$  is integrable [2 marks]. Therefore by the Dominated Convergence Theorem,  $\int_{-1}^1 x^n f(x) dx \rightarrow \int_{-1}^1 0 dx = 0$  [6 marks].

### Question 4.

Let  $P = \{a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_k = b\}$  be any partition of  $[a, b]$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} V(f, P) &= \sum_{k=1}^n |f(x_k) - f(x_{k-1})| = \sum_{k=1}^n \int_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} f'(t) dt \quad [10 \text{ marks}] \\ &\leq \sum_{k=1}^n \int_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} |f'(t)| dt = \int_a^b |f'(t)| dt. \quad [8 \text{ marks}] \end{aligned}$$

It follows that  $V_a^b(f) = \sup_P V(f, P) \leq \int_a^b |f'(t)| dt$  [2 marks].

**Question 5.**

(a) [10 marks] We have  $B = A \cup (B \setminus A)$  for  $A \subset B$ . Since  $B \setminus A$  is a measurable subset of  $B$  and since  $B$  is a negative set for  $\mu$ ,  $\mu(B \setminus A) \leq 0$ . Thus

$$\mu(B) = \mu(A \cup (B \setminus A)) = \mu(A) + \mu(B \setminus A) \leq \mu(A).$$

(b) Since  $\nu \ll \lambda$  and  $\mu \ll \lambda$ , by the Radon-Nikodym theorem, there are  $\lambda$ -integrable functions  $f, g$  such that

$$\mu(A) = \int_A f d\lambda, \quad \nu(A) = \int_A g d\lambda \quad \text{for every measurable set } A. \quad [7 \text{ marks}]$$

This implies that for every measurable set  $A$ ,

$$(\mu + \nu)(A) = \mu(A) + \nu(A) = \int_A f d\lambda + \int_A g d\lambda = \int_A (f + g) d\lambda. \quad [4 \text{ marks}]$$

Thus,  $\mu + \nu \ll \lambda$  [2 marks] and

$$\frac{d}{d\lambda}(\nu + \mu) = \frac{d\nu}{d\lambda} + \frac{d\mu}{d\lambda}. \quad [2 \text{ marks}]$$