

# Analysis, Clemson Preliminary Exam 2023

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## Problem 1

Prove the following statements.

- (a) If  $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is a Cauchy sequence that has a convergent subsequence, then  $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  is convergent.
- (b) A subset  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is bounded if and only if  $\lim_n a_n x_n = 0$  for all  $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1} \subseteq A$  and  $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 1} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  with  $\lim_n a_n = 0$ .

*Solution.* (a) Let  $\epsilon > 0$  be given. Let  $\{x_{n_i}\}_{i \geq 1}$  be the convergent subsequence of  $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  and let  $x$  be its limit. There exists  $N_1 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|x_{n_i} - x| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$  whenever  $i \geq N_1$ . Also there exists  $N_2 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|x_n - x_m| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$  for all  $n, m \geq N_2$  because  $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  is a Cauchy sequence. Then we have for all  $i \geq \max\{N_1, N_2\}$ ,  $|x_i - x| \leq |x_i - x_{n_i}| + |x_{n_i} - x| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon$  (Remember that  $n_i > i$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ .) Thus  $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  converges to the same limit  $x$ .

(b) If  $A$  is bounded, there exists  $C > 0$  which depends only on  $A$  such that  $|x| \leq C$  for all  $x \in A$ . If we take any sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1} \subseteq A$  and any sequence  $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 1} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  with  $\lim_n a_n = 0$ , we shall have  $\lim_n |a_n x_n| \leq \lim_n C |a_n| = 0$ . Thus  $\lim_n a_n x_n = 0$ . Conversely, assume the conditions are met for any such sequences. If  $A$  was not bounded, everytime we choose an element  $c > 0$ , there would exist  $x_c \in A$  such that  $|x_c| > c$ . Thus, to each  $n \geq 1$  we could associate some  $x_n \in A$  satisfying  $|x_n| > n$ . Define  $a_n := \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} > 0$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . The sequence  $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 1} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  satisfies  $\lim_n a_n = 0$ . However,  $|x_n a_n| > \frac{n}{\sqrt{n}} = \sqrt{n}$  with  $\lim_n \sqrt{n} = \infty$  making  $\lim_n |a_n x_n| = \infty$ . Thus  $\lim_n a_n x_n \neq 0$  which contradicts the hypothesis. Therefore,  $A$  must be bounded.

## Problem 2

Consider the Banach space  $C([0, 1])$  consisting of all continuous functions  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , equipped with the supremum norm  $\|f\|_\infty = \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} |f(x)|$ . Let  $K : [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function.

Consider the operator  $T : C([0, 1]) \rightarrow C([0, 1])$  given by

$$Tf(x) = \int_0^1 K(x, y) f(y) dy.$$

- (a) Prove that  $T$  is bounded.

(b) Find  $\|T\|$ . Justify your answer.

*Solution.* (a) For all  $f \in C([0, 1])$ , we have that

$$\|Tf\|_{\infty} = \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} |Tf(x)| \leq \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} \left| \int_0^1 K(x, y) f(y) dy \right| \leq \left( \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} \int_0^1 |K(x, y)| dy \right) \|f\|_{\infty}$$

Thus  $\|T\| \leq \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} \int_0^1 |K(x, y)| dy < \sup_{(x, y) \in [0, 1]^2} |K(x, y)| < \infty$ , making  $T$  bounded.

(b) From part (a), we know already that  $\|T\| \leq \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} \int_0^1 |K(x, y)| dy$ . Additionally, consider for each  $x \in [0, 1]$  the map  $f^x$  defined by  $f^x(y) = \text{sgn}(K(x, y))$ . Since the map  $\text{sgn}$  can be approximated by continuous functions and since  $y \mapsto K(x, y)$  is continuous, the map  $f^x$  actually can also be approximated by continuous functions. For example, the function  $f_n^x(y) := \frac{2}{1+e^{-nK(x,y)}} - 1$ , approximates  $f^x$ , with  $\|f_n^x\|_{\infty} \leq 1$ . So, yes, **the sign function of a continuous function can be approximated uniformly by a sequence of continuous functions**. Working with  $\{f_n^x\}_{n \geq 1}$  instead of  $f^x$ , we get

$$|Tf_n^x(x)| = \left| \int_0^1 K(x, y) f_n^x(y) dy \right| \implies \lim_n |Tf_n^x(x)| = \int_0^1 K(x, y) \text{sgn}(K(x, y)) dy = \int_0^1 |K(x, y)| dy.$$

Taking the supremum over  $x \in [0, 1]$ , we have that

$$\sup_{x \in [0, 1]} \int_0^1 |K(x, y)| dy = \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} \lim_n |Tf_n^x(x)| = \lim_n \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} |Tf_n^x(x)| = \lim_n \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} \|Tf_n^x\|_{\infty} \leq \|T\|.$$

The bound is therefore tight. Consequently,  $\|T\| = \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} \int_0^1 \|K(x, y)\| dy$ .

### Problem 3

Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilbert space. Recall that a sequence  $\{f_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  converges weakly to  $f \in \mathcal{H}$  if  $\lim_n \langle f_n, g \rangle = \langle f, g \rangle$  for all  $g \in \mathcal{H}$ . We want to prove the following.

- (a) A sequence  $\{f_n\}_{n \geq 1} \subseteq \mathcal{H}$  converges to  $f \in \mathcal{H}$  if and only if  $\lim_n \|f_n\| = \|f\|$  and  $f_n$  converges weakly to  $f$ .
- (b) Let  $T$  be a bounded linear operator on  $\mathcal{H}$ . If  $\{f_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  converges weakly to  $f$ , then  $\{Tf_n\}$  converges weakly to  $Tf$ .

*Solution.* (a) If  $f_n \xrightarrow{\|\cdot\|} f$ , then for all  $g \in \mathcal{H}$  we have  $\langle f_n - f, g \rangle \leq \|f_n - f\| \|g\|$  converges to 0 making  $f_n$  to converge to  $f$  weakly. Similarly, the continuity of the norm guarantees that  $\lim_n \|f_n\| = \left\| \lim_n f_n \right\| = \|f\|$ .

Now we prove the converse.

Assume that we have  $\lim_n \|f_n\| = \|f\|$  and  $f_n \rightharpoonup f$ , respectively.

It follows

$$\|f_n - f\|^2 = \langle f_n - f, f_n - f \rangle = \|f_n\|^2 + \|f\|^2 - \langle f_n, f \rangle - \langle f, f_n \rangle \rightarrow \|f\|^2 + \|f\|^2 - \|f\|^2 - \|f\|^2 = 0, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Hence  $\lim_n \|f_n - f\| = 0$ , -i.e.,  $f_n$  converges (strongly) to  $f$ .

(b) Assume  $\{f_n\}_{n \geq 1} \subseteq \mathcal{H}$  converges weakly to  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ . Let  $g \in \mathcal{H}$  be given. Define  $\ell : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  by  $\ell(f) = \langle Tf, g \rangle$ . It is immediate to see  $\ell$  is linear. It is also bounded. Indeed, the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality provides for any  $h \in \mathcal{H}$ ,  $|\ell(h)| = |\langle Th, g \rangle| \leq \|Th\| \|g\| \leq \|T\| \|g\| \|h\|$ . Then  $\|\ell\| \leq \|T\| \|g\| < \infty$  because  $T$  is bounded. Thence  $\ell$  is a bounded linear functional. Riesz representation theorem therefore guarantees that there must exist  $\xi \in \mathcal{H}$  such that  $\ell = \langle \cdot, \xi \rangle$ . By weak convergence, it follows  $\ell(f_n) = \langle f_n, \xi \rangle \rightarrow \langle f, \xi \rangle = \ell(f)$ , -i.e.,  $\lim_n \langle Tf_n, g \rangle = \langle Tf, g \rangle$  as desired.

## Problem 4

Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilber space and let  $T_n : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  be a sequence of bounded linear operators on  $\mathcal{H}$  with  $\|T_n\| \leq 1$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Suppose that for every vector  $x \in \mathcal{H}$  the following holds:

$$T_i^* T_j x = 0,$$

for all  $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $i \neq j$ .

- (1) Prove that for every  $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$ , the ranges of  $T_i$  and  $T_j$  are orthogonal.
- (2) Prove that for every  $x \in \mathcal{H}$  the sequence  $\{T_n x\}_{n \geq 1}$  is a Cauchy sequence.
- (3) Let  $T : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  be defined by  $Tx = \lim_n T_n x$ . Prove that  $T$  is bounded and  $\|T\| \leq 1$ .

*Solution.* (1) For all  $x, y \in \mathcal{H}$ , we have  $\langle T_i x, T_j y \rangle = \langle x, T_i^* T_j y \rangle$ . Whenever  $i \neq j$ ,  $T_i^* T_j y = 0$ , hence  $\langle T_i x, T_j y \rangle = 0$ .

(2) By orthogonality, for all  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ :

$$\sum_{n=1}^N \|T_n x\|^2 = \left\| \sum_{n=1}^N T_n x \right\|^2 \leq \left\| \sum_{n=1}^N T_n x \right\|^2 + \left\| x - \sum_{n=1}^N T_n x \right\|^2 = \|x\|^2.$$

$x$  being fixed, this actually means that  $\sum_{n=1}^N \|T_n x\|^2 < \infty$ . Hence  $\lim_n \|T_n x\|^2 = 0$ . Thus for all  $(m, n) \in \mathbb{N}^2$ :

$$\|T_n x - T_m x\|^2 = \|T_n x\|^2 + \|T_m x\|^2 \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } m, n \rightarrow \infty.$$

(c) Let  $x \in H$  be given. For all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\|T_n x\| \leq \|T_n\| \|x\| \leq \|x\|$ . Then  $\lim_n \|T_n x\| \leq \|x\|$ . By continuity, we have  $\lim_n \|T_n x\| = \|\lim_n T_n x\| = \|Tx\|$ . Hence  $\|Tx\| \leq \|x\|$  which implies  $\|T\| \leq 1$  therefore  $T$  is proved to be bounded as desired.

## Problem 5

Consider the real line  $\mathbb{R}$  equipped with the usual Euclidean metric.

- (a) Prove that if  $A, B \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  are disjoint closed sets, then there exist disjoint open sets  $U, V \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  such that  $A \subseteq U$  and  $B \subseteq V$ .
- (b) Let  $m^*$  denote the Lebesgue outer measure on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Prove that for any two sets  $A, B \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\inf_{a \in A, b \in B} |a - b| > 0$  we have

$$m^*(A \cup B) = m^*(A) + m^*(B).$$

*Solution.* (a) Thanks to Rhoklin, we can construct the following sets:

$$U := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : \text{dist}(x, A) < \text{dist}(x, B)\}, \quad \text{and } V = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : \text{dist}(x, A) > \text{dist}(x, B)\}$$

The functions  $x \mapsto d(x, A)$  and  $x \mapsto d(x, B)$  being continuous, the sets  $U$  and  $V$  are open sets. Clearly we have  $A \subseteq U$  and  $B \subseteq V$ .

PS:  $d(x, C) := \inf_{c \in C} |x - c|$ .

- (b) Let  $A, B \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be any subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$  satisfying the hypothesis, -i.e.,  $d(A, B) > 0$ . We shall use  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$  for the Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Then

$$m^*(K) = \inf \{m(I) : I \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) \text{ and } I \supseteq K\}$$

where  $m(I)$  indicates the length of  $I$ .

**Recall.** A map  $\lambda : \mathcal{P}(\Omega) \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  is called an *outer measure* on  $\mathcal{P}(\Omega)$  if it satisfies the following conditions: ( $\alpha$ )  $\lambda(\emptyset) = 0$ ; ( $\alpha\alpha$ ) If  $A \subseteq B$  then  $\lambda(A) \leq \lambda(B)$ , -i.e.,  $\lambda \geq 0$ ; ( $\alpha\alpha\alpha$ ) if  $\{A_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\Omega)$ , then for any  $A \in \mathcal{P}(\Omega)$  such that  $A \subseteq \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n$ , we have  $\lambda(A) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda(A_n)$ . This last condition is equivalent to  $\lambda(\bigcup_n A_n) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda(A_n)$ .

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an algebra and  $\mu$  a measure, -i.e., a map which is  $\sigma$ -additive and *non-negative* on  $\mathcal{A}$ . The *outer measure associated to  $\mu$*  is the map  $\mu^* : \mathcal{P}(\Omega) \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ , by:

$$\mu^*(A) := \inf \left\{ \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mu(A) : A \subseteq \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n \text{ and } \{A_n\}_{n \geq 1} \in \mathcal{R}(A) \right\} \quad (*)$$

where  $\mathcal{R}(A)$  indicates the set of all the countable covers of  $A$  by elements taken from  $\mathcal{A}$ .

If  $\mathcal{A}$  was actually a  $\sigma$ -algebra, then  $(*)$  becomes  $\mu^*(A) = \inf \{\mu(B) : B \in \mathcal{A} \text{ and } B \supseteq A\}$ . One could also define  $\mu_*(A) = \sup \{\mu(B) : B \in \mathcal{A} \text{ and } B \subseteq A\}$ , and expect to have  $\mu_*(A) = \mu^*(A)$  for any measurable set in the sense of the following definition.

Let  $\lambda$  be an outer measure on  $\Omega$ . A subset  $A \subseteq \Omega$  is said to be  **$\lambda$ -measurable** if, for any  $B \subseteq \Omega$ ,  $\lambda(B) = \lambda(B \cap A) + \lambda(B \cap A^c)$ .

Since  $m^*$  is an outer measure, it is  $\sigma$ -subadditive. Then  $m^*(A \cup B) \leq m^*(A) + m^*(B)$ . Consequently, we shall only prove that  $m^*(A \cup B) \geq m^*(A) + m^*(B)$ . Let  $\delta > 0$  be given. There exists  $I \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ , the Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra,  $A \cup B \subseteq I$  such that

$$m^*(I) + \delta \geq m(I) \geq m^*(A \cup B).$$

We claim  $d(\overline{A}, \overline{B}) > 0$ , where  $\overline{S}$  is the closure of  $S$  for any given set  $S$ . Let  $(a, b) \in \overline{A} \times \overline{B}$  be arbitrary. There exists  $(a_k, b_k) \in A \times B$  such that  $(a, b) = \lim_k (a_k, b_k)$ . For all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $d(a_k, b_k) \geq d(A, B) > 0$ . Then  $d(a, b) = \lim_k d(a_k, b_k) \geq d(A, B) > 0$ . Therefore  $d(\overline{A}, \overline{B}) = \inf_{(a,b) \in \overline{A} \times \overline{B}} d(a, b) \geq d(A, B) > 0$ . Since  $(\overline{A} \cup \overline{B}) \cap I \subseteq I$ , and since  $\overline{A}, \overline{B} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ , we have

$$m((\overline{A} \cap I) \cup (\overline{B} \cap I)) = m^*((\overline{A} \cup \overline{B}) \cap I) \leq m(I) < m^*(A \cup B) + \delta$$

Since  $m$  is additive(it's a measure), we have

$$m(\overline{A} \cap I) + m(\overline{B} \cap I) < m^*(A \cup B) + \delta$$

Moreover  $A \subseteq \overline{A} \cap I$  and  $B \subseteq \overline{B} \cap I$ . Then  $m^*(A) + m^*(B) \leq m(\overline{A} \cap I) + m(\overline{B} \cap I) < m^*(A \cup B) + \delta$ . Letting  $\delta \downarrow 0$ , we obtain  $m^*(A) + m^*(B) \leq m^*(A \cup B)$  as desired.

## Problem 6

Assume that you know the function

$$f_n(x) = \int_0^n t^{x-1} \left(1 - \frac{t}{n}\right)^n dt$$

is well defined for all  $x > 0$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

- (a) Apply a convergence theorem to show that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x)$  exists for all  $x > 0$ .
- (b) Write down the full statement of the convergence theorem you used in (a).

*Solution.* (a) For all  $x > 0$  and for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have

$$f_n(x) = \int_{(0,\infty)} t^{x-1} \left(1 - \frac{t}{n}\right)^n \mathbb{1}_{[0,n]}(t) d\lambda(t)$$

where  $\lambda$  designates the usual Lebesgue measure on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Define  $g_{n,x}(t) := t^{x-1} \left(1 - \frac{t}{n}\right)^n \mathbb{1}_{[0,n]}(t)$ , for all  $t > 0$ . We have for all  $t > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} |g_{n,x}(t)| &= \left| t^{x-1} \left(1 - \frac{t}{n}\right)^n \mathbb{1}_{[0,n]}(t) \right| \\ &= t^{x-1} \left(1 - \frac{t}{n}\right)^n \mathbb{1}_{[0,n]}(t) \\ &= t^{x-1} e^{n \ln(1 - \frac{t}{n})} \mathbb{1}_{[0,n]}(t) \end{aligned}$$

Notice that for all  $0 < \xi < 1$ ,  $\ln(1 - \xi) \leq -\xi$ . (This is true even when  $\xi \leq 0$ .) Then

$$|g_{n,x}(t)| \leq t^{x-1} e^{n(-\frac{t}{n})} \mathbb{1}_{[0,n]}(t) \leq t^{x-1} e^{-t}.$$

Define  $h_x(t) := t^{x-1} e^{-t}$  for all  $t > 0$  which is independent of  $n$ . We claim that  $h_x$  is integrable for all  $x > 0$ . Indeed  $h_x$  is integrable on each compact  $[\alpha, \beta] \subset (0, \infty)$  where  $0 < \alpha \leq \beta < \infty$  since

*Case 1:*  $0 < x < 1$

$$0 \leq \beta^{x-1} e^{-\beta} (\beta - \alpha) \leq \int_{[\alpha, \beta]} t^{x-1} e^{-t} d\lambda(t) \leq \alpha^{x-1} e^{-\alpha} < \infty.$$

*Case 2:*  $x \geq 1$

$$0 \leq \alpha^{x-1} e^{\beta} \leq \int_{[\alpha, \beta]} t^{x-1} e^{-t} d\lambda(t) \leq \beta^{x-1} e^{-\alpha} < \infty.$$

We therefore must only study the convergence of the integral at 0 and  $\infty$ . First, in any neighborhood  $(0, \epsilon]$  of 0, where  $\epsilon > 0$  is viewed as small, we have  $h_x(t) = o(t^{x-1})$ . Then  $\int_{(0, \epsilon]} t^{x-1} dt = o\left(\int_{(0, \epsilon]} t^{x-1} dt\right)$ . But,  $\int_{(0, \epsilon]} t^{x-1} dt = \lim_{0 < \delta < \epsilon, \delta \downarrow 0} \int_{[\delta, \epsilon]} t^{x-1} dt = \lim_{0 < \delta < \epsilon, \delta \downarrow 0} \left(\frac{\epsilon^x}{x} - \frac{\delta^x}{x}\right) = \frac{\epsilon^x}{x} < \infty$ . Hence,  $h_x$  is integrable in any neighborhood of  $t = 0$ . In the same vein, at any neighborhood  $[M, \infty)$  of  $\infty$ , where  $M > 0$  is viewed as large, we have  $h_x(t) = o\left(e^{-\frac{t}{2}}\right)$ . But we know  $0 \leq \int_{[M, \infty)} e^{-\frac{t}{2}} dt = 2e^{-\frac{M}{2}} < \infty$  making  $e^{-t}$  integrable. Hence,  $h_x$  is integrable in any neighborhood of  $\infty$ . These facts allow the conclusion that  $h_x$  is integrable in  $(0, \infty)$ . Additionally, we check that  $g_{n,x}(t) \rightarrow t^{x-1} e^{-t}$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  pointwisely. To see this, notice that for all  $t > 0$ , there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  so that  $n_0 \geq t$ . Then for all  $n \geq n_0$  (in particular,  $n$  does depend on  $t$ ):

$$|g_{n,x}(t) - t^{x-1} e^{-t}| = t^{x-1} \left| e^{n \ln(1 - \frac{t}{n})} \mathbb{1}_{[0,n]}(t) - e^{-t} \right| = t^{x-1} \left| e^{n \ln(1 - \frac{t}{n})} - e^{-t} \right| \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

We can therefore apply the Lebesgue Dominated Convergence Theorem to conclude that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = \int_{(0, \infty)} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_{n,x}(t) d\lambda(t) = \int_{(0, \infty)} t^{x-1} e^{-t} d\lambda(t) = \int_0^\infty t^{x-1} e^{-t} dt = \Gamma(x).$$

(b) Statement of LDCT (cf. Edwin Hewitt and Karl Stromberg)

Let the measured space  $(X, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$  be given.

*Statement of Lebesgue Dominated Convergence Theorem.* Let  $\{f_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  be a sequence of extended real-value,  $\mathcal{A}$ -measurable functions each defined a.e. on  $X$ , and suppose there exists a function  $h$  in  $L^1(X)$  such that for each integer  $n$ , the inequality  $|f_n(x)| \leq h(x)$  holds a.e. on  $X$ . Then

$$(i) \quad \int_X \underline{\lim}_n f_n d\mu \leq \underline{\lim}_n \int_X f_n d\mu; \text{ and}$$

$$(ii) \quad \int_X \overline{\lim}_n f_n d\mu \geq \overline{\lim}_n \int_X f_n d\mu.$$

Put differently,

$$\int_X \underline{\lim}_n f_n d\mu \leq \underline{\lim}_n \int_X f_n d\mu \leq \overline{\lim}_n \int_X f_n d\mu \leq \int_X \overline{\lim}_n f_n d\mu.$$

If additionally  $\lim_n f_n(x)$  exists for  $\mu$ -almost every  $x$  on  $X$ , <sup>1</sup> then  $\int_X \lim_n f_n d\mu$  exists and

$$(iii) \quad \lim_n \int_X f_n d\mu = \int_X \lim_n f_n d\mu.$$

## Problem 7

Let  $1 \leq p < \infty$  and  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R})$ . Denote by  $m$  the Lebesgue measure on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

- (a) Prove that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m[\{x \in \mathbb{R} : |f(x)| \geq n\}] = 0$ .
- (b) Prove that the set  $\{x \in \mathbb{R} : |f(x)| \neq 0\}$  is  $\sigma$ -finite.
- (c) Prove that  $m[\{x \in \mathbb{R} : |f(x)| = \infty\}] = 0$ .

*Solution.* (a) We have for each integer  $n$ ,  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} |f|^p dm = \int_{\{|f| \geq n\}} |f|^p dm + \int_{\{|f| < n\}} |f|^p dm \geq \int_{\{|f| \geq n\}} |f|^p dm \geq n^p m[\{|f| \geq n\}]$ . Then  $m[\{|f| \geq n\}] \leq \frac{1}{n^p} \int_{\mathbb{R}} |f|^p dm$ . Since  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} |f|^p dm < \infty$ , the bound  $\frac{1}{n^p} \int_{\mathbb{R}} |f|^p dm$  goes to 0. Hence  $\lim_n m[\{|f| \geq n\}] = 0$ .

(b) We have  $\{|f| \neq 0\} = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \{n-1 < |f| \leq n\}$ , and for each  $n$ ,  $m[\{n-1 < |f| \leq n\}] = m[\{|f| > n-1\}] - m[\{|f| > n\}]$  is finite since for each positive integer  $k$ ,  $0 \leq m[\{|f| > k\}] \leq m[\{|f| \geq k-1\}] < \infty$ . Notice that  $m[\{|f| \geq n\}] \rightarrow 0$  implies  $\{|f| \geq n\}$  is bounded, therefore finite.

(c)  $\{|f| = \infty\} = \bigcap_{n \geq 1} A_n$  wherer  $A_n := \{|f| \geq n\}$  which satisfies  $A_n \supset A_{n+1} \supset \dots$ . Since for all positive integers  $m(\{|f| \geq n\}) < \infty$ , it follows that  $m[\{|f| = \infty\}] = \lim_n m[A_n] = \lim_n m[\{|f| \geq n\}] = 0$ .

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<sup>1</sup>his means  $f_n$  converges pointwisely  $\mu$ -almost everywhere on  $X$ .

## Problem 8

Denote by  $m$  the Lebesgue measure on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Let  $E \subset \mathbb{R}$  be a measurable set with  $m(E) < \infty$ . Suppose  $F : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a measurable function, so that  $f(x) > 0$  for a.e.  $x \in E$ . Prove that if  $\{E_n\}$  is a sequence of measurable subsets of  $E$ , so that

$$\lim_n \int_{E_n} f(x) dx = 0$$

then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m(E_n) = 0$ .

*Solution.* Consider  $B = \{x \in E : f(x) > 0\}$ . Since  $B$  has  $E$ 's full measure, for each positive integer  $n$ ,  $\int_{E_n} f dm = \int_{E_n \cap B} f dm = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{1}_{E_n \cap B} f dm$ . By Fatou's lemma,

$$0 \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} \overline{\lim}_n \mathbb{1}_{E_n \cap B} f dm \leq \underline{\lim}_n \int_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{1}_{E_n \cap B} f dm = 0.$$

Then  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} \underline{\lim}_n \mathbb{1}_{E_n \cap B} f dm = 0$ . Using the fact  $f > 0$  on  $B$ , we actually have  $\underline{\lim}_n \mathbb{1}_{E_n \cap B} f = 0$  which implies  $\underline{\lim}_n \mathbb{1}_{E_n \cap B} = 0$ . Now for each positive integer  $n$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{k \geq n} \mathbb{1}_{E_k \cap B} &\leq \mathbb{1}_{\bigcup_{k=n}^{\infty} (E_k \cap B)} \implies \overline{\lim}_n \mathbb{1}_{E_n \cap B} \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{1}_{\bigcup_{k \geq n} (E_k \cap B)} \\ &\implies \int_{\mathbb{R}} \overline{\lim}_n \mathbb{1}_{E_n \cap B} dm \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{1}_{\bigcup_{k \geq n} (E_k \cap B)} dm. \end{aligned}$$

Additionally, the sequence  $\left\{ \mathbb{1}_{\bigcup_{k \geq n} (E_k \cap B)} \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a sequence of real valued measurable functions each defined on  $\mathbb{R}$ , such that for every positive integer  $n$ ,  $\left| \mathbb{1}_{\bigcup_{k \geq n} (E_k \cap B)}(x) \right| \leq \mathbb{1}_E(x)$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{1}_E dm = m(E) < \infty$ . Then, all the conditions for the application of LDCT are met, and therefore

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{1}_{\bigcup_{k \geq n} (E_k \cap B)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{1}_{\bigcup_{k \geq n} (E_k \cap B)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m \left( \bigcup_{k \geq n} (E_k \cap B) \right).$$

Moreover  $\bigcup_{k \geq n} (E_k \cap B) = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} (E_k \cap B) \setminus \bigcup_{k=1}^{n-1} (E_k \cap B)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m \left( \bigcup_{k \geq n} (E_k \cap B) \right) &= \lim_n \left[ m \left( \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} (E_k \cap B) \right) - m \left( \bigcup_{k=1}^{n-1} (E_k \cap B) \right) \right] \\ &= m \left( \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} (E_k \cap B) \right) - m \left( \bigcup_{k=1}^{n-1} (E_k \cap B) \right) \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\overline{\lim}_n \mathbb{1}_{E_n \cap B} = 0$  a.e. Consequently,  $\lim_n \mathbb{1}_{E_n \cap B} = 0$  a.e. Then by dominated convergence, we have

$$\lim_n m(E_k \cap B) = \lim_n \int_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{1}_{E_n \cap B} dm = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \lim_n \mathbb{1}_{E_n \cap B} dm = 0.$$

Finally notice that  $m(E_n) = m(E_n \cap B) + m(E_n \cap (E \setminus B)) = m(E_n \cap B)$ . Therefore  $\lim_n m(E_n) = 0$ .